

# Potential of an Ambient Air for Energy Saving Technologies through the Maisotsenko Cycle

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## Mist Coolers



## Pot-in-pot



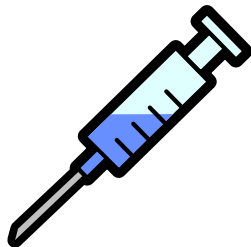
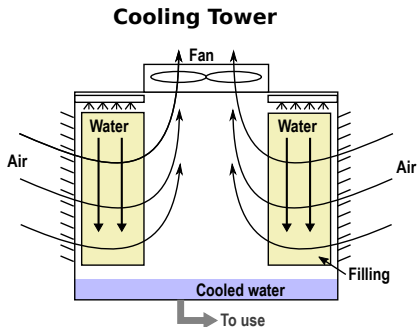
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# Evaporation of Water

Evaporation of 1g of water uses about 2.5 kJ of heat

⇒ Water evaporation of 1 g can cool 100 g of water by 6 K.



# Psychrometrics

- ▶ The atmosphere contains 1-3 weight % of water vapor
- ▶ The constitution of dry air is almost constant up to 80km in altitude

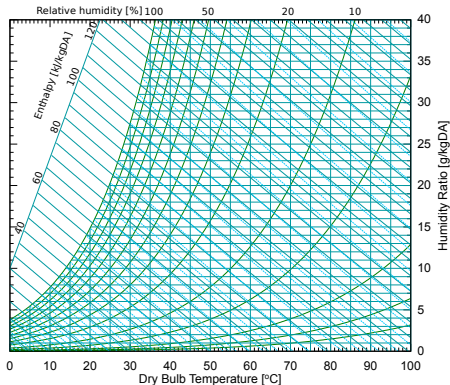
## Terminology

### Dry air:

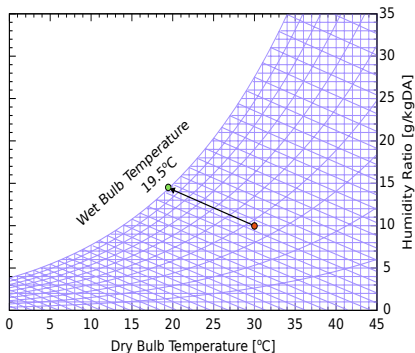
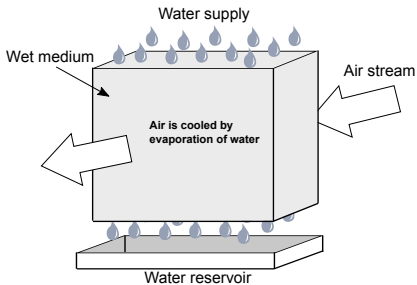
Air with neither water vapor nor any contaminants

### Wet air:

Dry air + water vapor

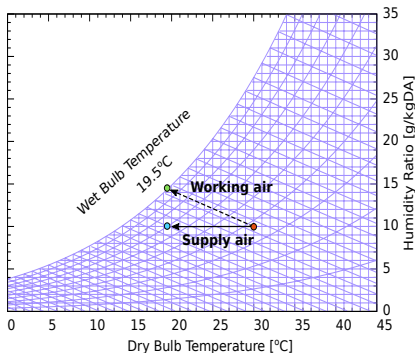
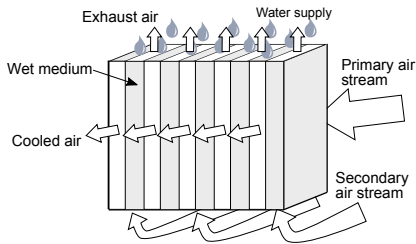


# Direct Evaporative Coolers



- ▶ Direct contact of air and water.
- ▶ Humidity ratio of the air increases.
- ▶ Cooling limit is defined by the wet-bulb temperature.

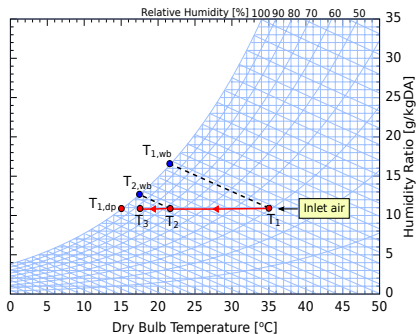
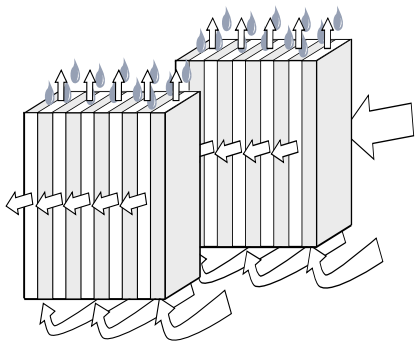
# Indirect Evaporative Coolers



- ▶ Different air path for supply air and working air.
- ▶ Humidity ratio of the supply air does not increase.
- ▶ Cooling limit is defined by the wet-bulb temperature.

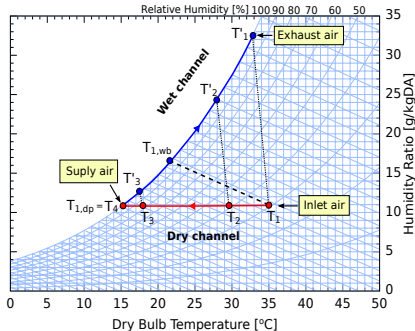
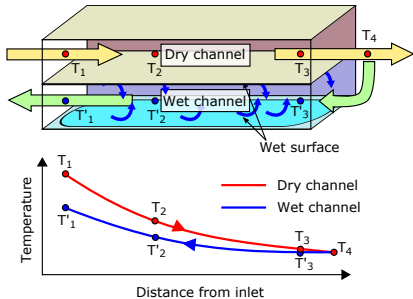


# A Multistage Evaporative Cooler



- ▶ The cooled air from an indirect evaporative cooler is further cooled by the secondary indirect evaporative cooler.
- ▶ The air temperature theoretically reaches the dew point of the inlet air by infinite stages of cooling.

# The M-Cycle Evaporative Cooler



- ▶ Consists of **Dry Channel** and **Wet Channel**, and a part of air flow through the dry channel enters the wet channel.
- ▶ The humidity ratio in the dry channel does not change, while it increases up to the saturation humidity in the wet channel.
- ▶ Theoretically, the inlet air can be cooled to **dew point temperature** at the exit of the dry channel.

# The Maisotsenko Cycle (M-Cycle)

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Professor Emeritus,

Chief Scientist, Seeley International Americas, Coolerado



The M-Cycle is a thermodynamic concept invented by Prof. V.S. Maisotsenko.

**I<sup>2</sup>CNER Seminar Series, 24th, June, 2015**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWMK7ytqmnE>

# Performance of the M-Cycle

## Enthalpy balance and temperature effectiveness

### Enthalpy balance

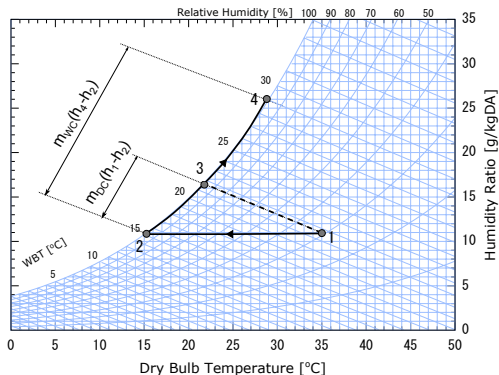
$$\dot{m}_{DC} (h_1 - h_2) = \dot{m}_{WC} (h_4 - h_2)$$

### Supply air ratio

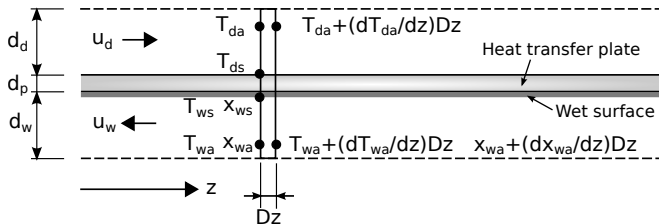
$$\gamma = \frac{\dot{m}_{DC} - \dot{m}_{WC}}{\dot{m}_{DC}} = \frac{h_4 - h_1}{h_4 - h_2}$$

### Dewpoint effectiveness

$$\eta = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1 - T_{dp}}$$



# Simulation Model



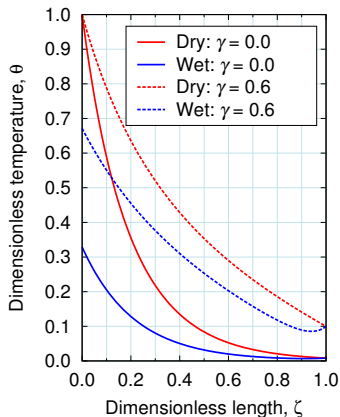
**Dry channel** 
$$\frac{dT_{da}}{d\zeta} = \frac{Nu_d}{Re_d Pr} A_d (T_{ds} - T_{da})$$

**Wet channel** 
$$\frac{dT_{wa}}{d\zeta} = \frac{Nu_w}{Re_w Pr} A_w (T_{wa} - T_{ws})$$

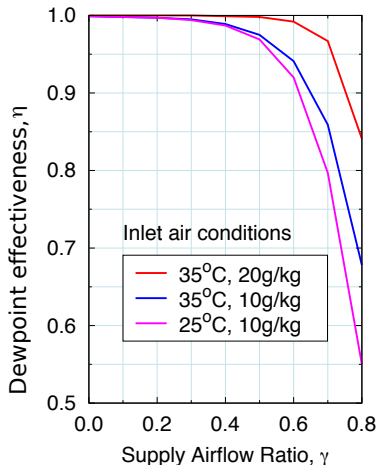
$$\frac{dx_{wa}}{d\zeta} = -\frac{Sh}{Re_w Sc} A_w (x_{ws} - x_{wa})$$

$$(\zeta = z/L, \quad A = L/d)$$

# Characteristics of the M-Cycle



**Temperature distribution in the air path**



**Relationship between the dewpoint effectiveness and the supply air ratio.**

# Commercialized Products



**C60**



**M30**



**M50**



**Hybrid H80**



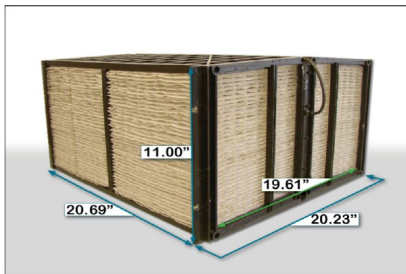
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Solar Air Conditioner**

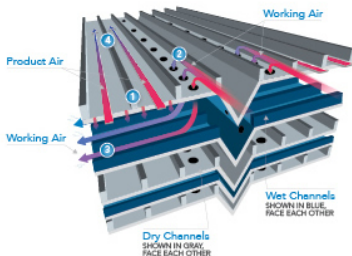
by Coolerado Corp., US

# M-Cycle Heat and Mass Exchanger



A lot of problems are already overcome.

- ▶ Pressure drop
- ▶ Durability
- ▶ Hygiene



- 1 Product air and working air enter the dry side of the HMX.
- 2 Cooled working air is fractionated off into wet channels throughout the exchanger.
- 3 Heat from the product air is transferred into the working air through evaporation and is rejected as exhaust.
- 4 The product air travels the length of the dry channels, while transferring its heat to the working air in the wet channels above and below. As a result, the product air cools down and remains dry as it enters the building.

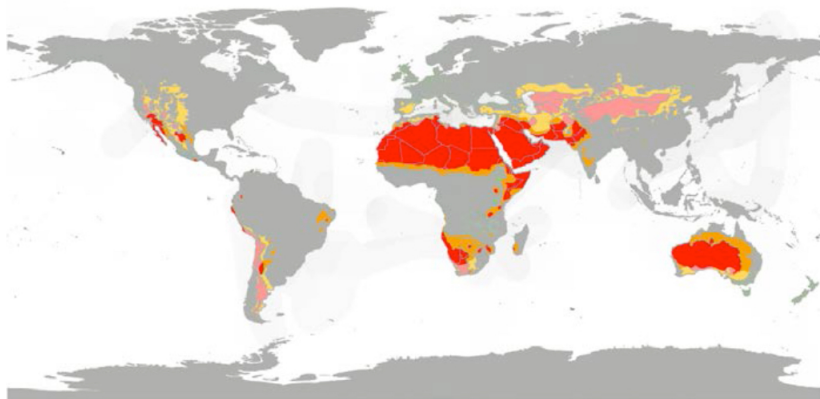
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# Applications of the M-Cycle Technology

# Possibility of the M-Cycle Application

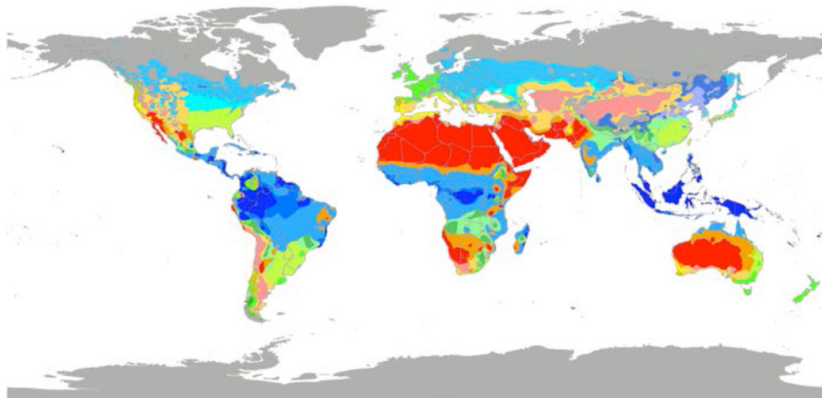
Effective in dry region (7-10% of world population)



Ref.: Buyadgie et al., 14th International Conference on Sustainable Energy Technologies (SET2015), 25-26 Aug. 2015

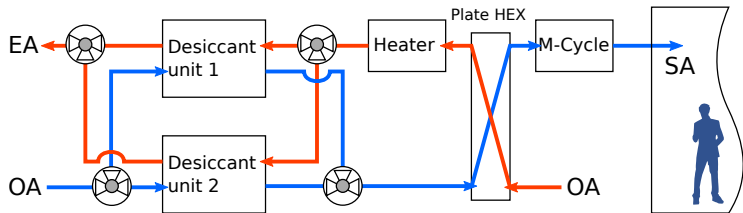
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Covers 90% of world population with dehumidification

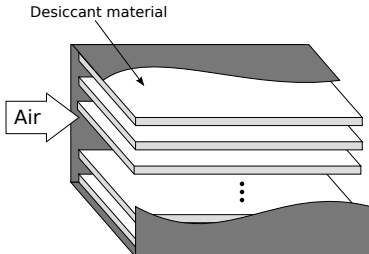


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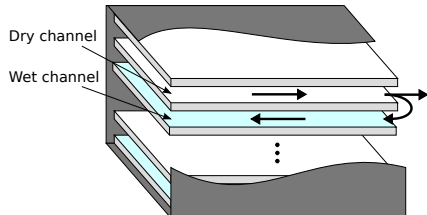
# Desiccant Air Conditioning with the M-Cycle



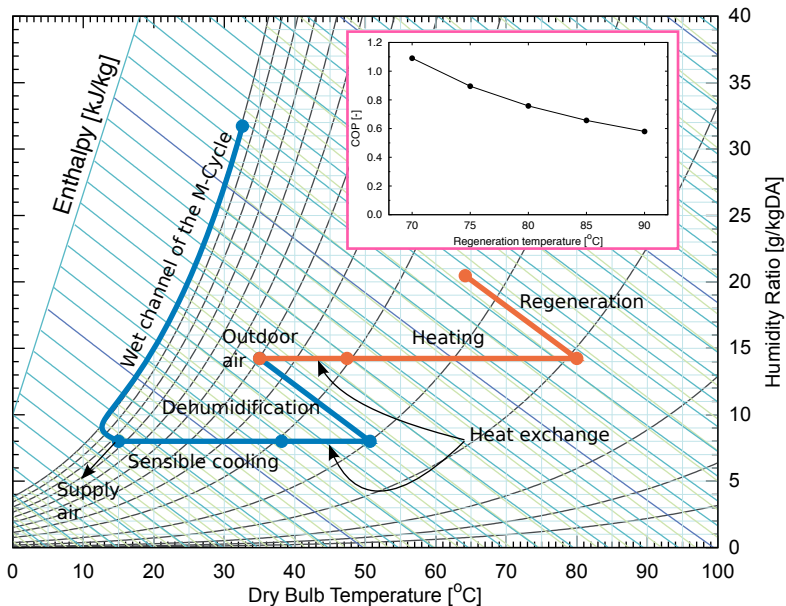
## Desiccant unit



## M-cycle evaporative cooler

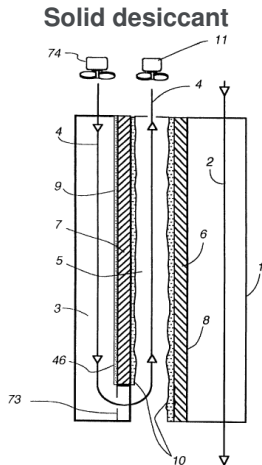
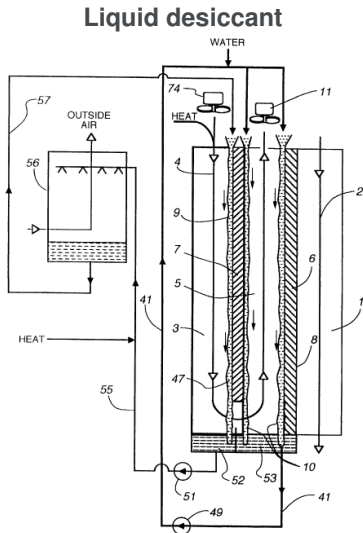


# Desiccant Air Conditioning Process



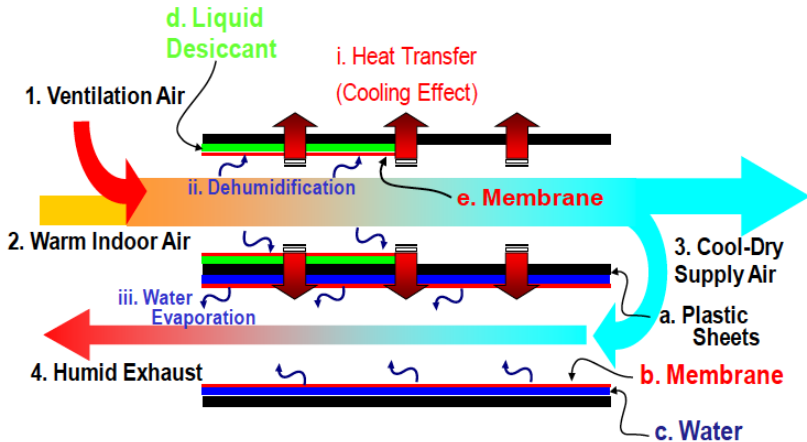
# Concept of a new M-Cycle with Desiccant

## Combined M-Cycle and Desiccant



US Patent No. 6,497,107

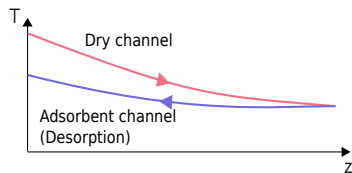
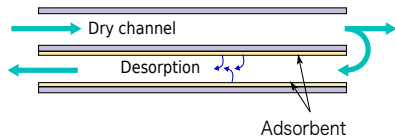
## Research in NREL, USA



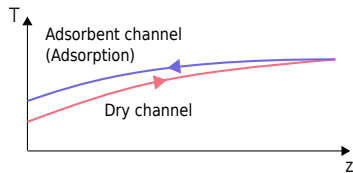
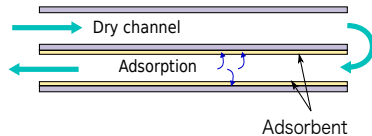
Kozubal et al., Desiccant Enhanced Evaporative Air-Conditioning (DEVap): Evaluation of a New Concept in Ultra Efficient Air Conditioning, NREL

# M-Cycle with Adsorbent Channel

① Desorption mode



② Adsorption mode



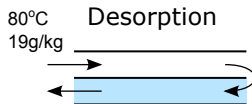
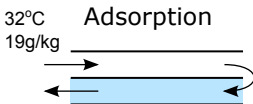
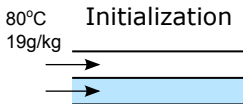
Miyazaki and Koyama, National Heat Transfer Symposium of Japan, 2015



# Prediction by Simulation

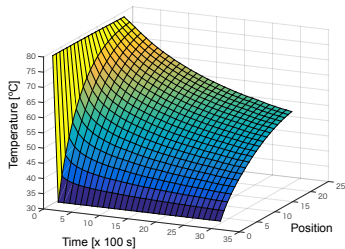
## Boundary conditions

Mode	Initialization	Adsorption	Desorption
Time	3000s	3000s	3000s
Flow	Parallel	Counter	Counter
Inlet Air	80°C, 19g/kg	32°C, 19g/kg	80°C, 19g/kg

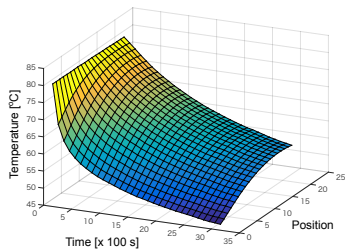


# Temperature Profiles

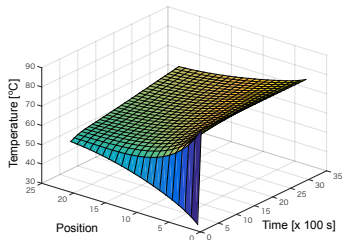
Adsorption mode: Dry channel



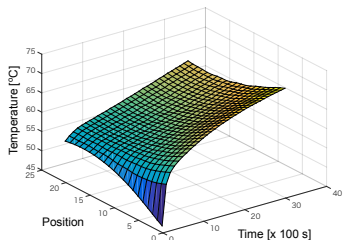
Adsorption mode: Adsorbent channel



Desorption mode: Dry channel

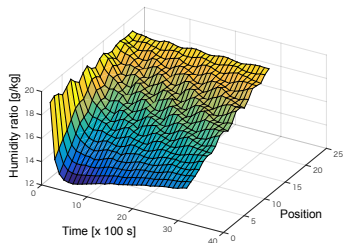


Desorption mode: Adsorbent channel

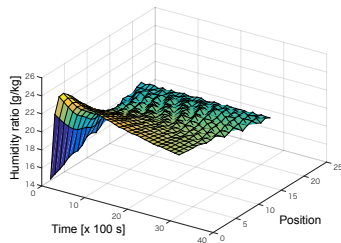


# Moisture Change in Adsorbent Channel

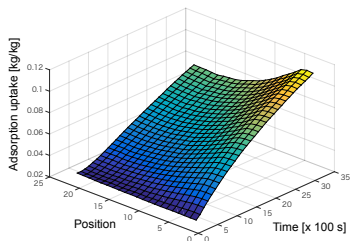
## Humidity ratio (Adsorption mode)



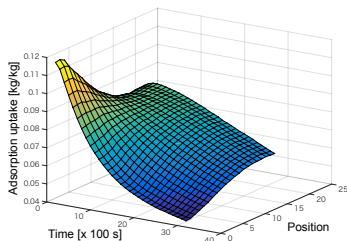
## Humidity ratio (Desorption mode)



## Adsorption uptake (Adsorption mode)

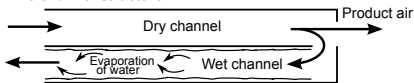


## Adsorption uptake (Desorption mode)

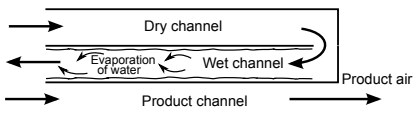


# M-Cycle with three air path

**Two channel-structure**



**Three channel-structure**



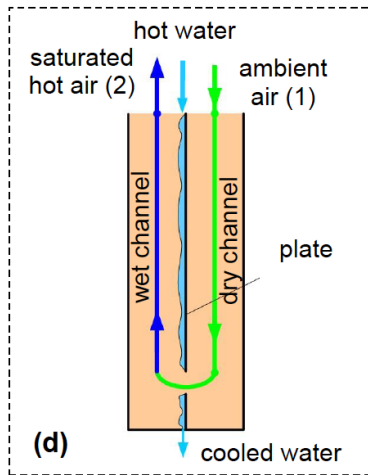
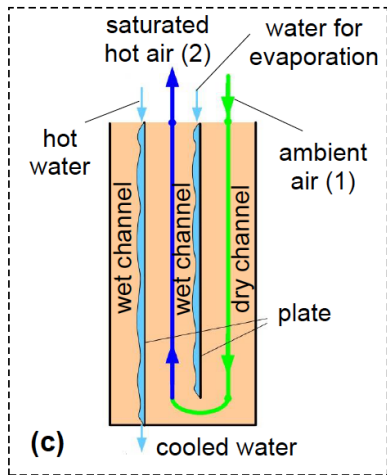
Any fluid can be cooled!



Expanded the application field.

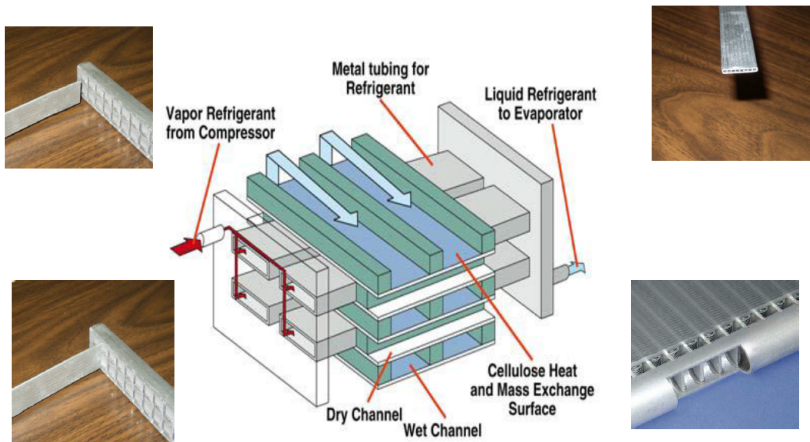
- ▶ Cooling tower
- ▶ Condenser
- ▶ Waste heat recovery

# M-Cycle Cooling Tower



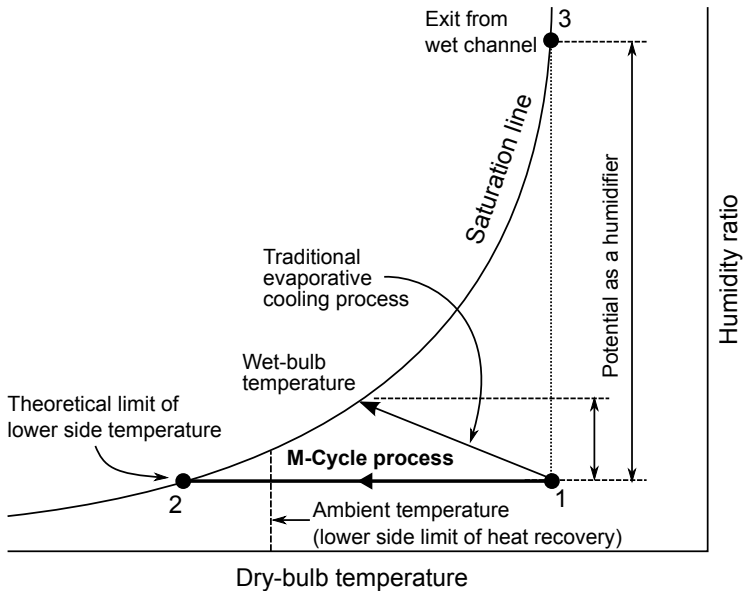
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# M-Cycle Condenser



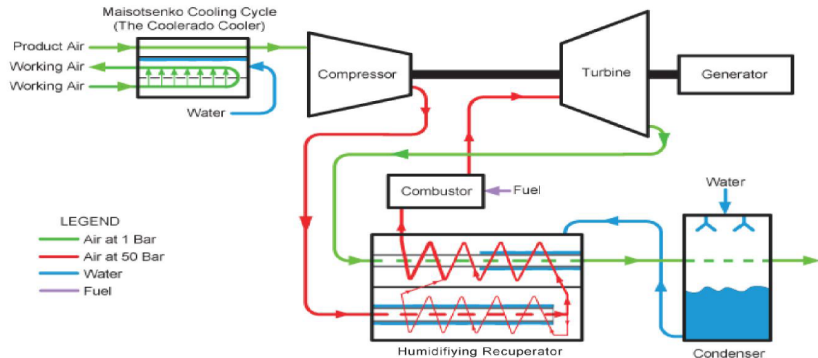
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# Potential of Heat and Mass Exchanger



# Improvement of Gas Turbine Efficiency

## Cooling of inlet air and addition of water vapor

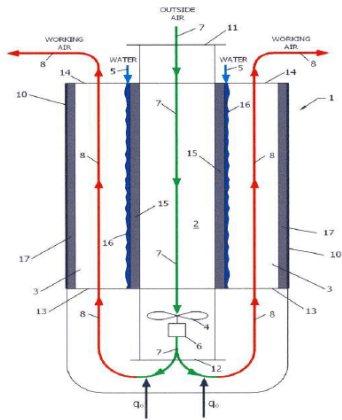
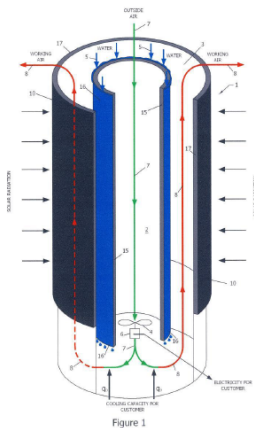


from Prof. Maisotsenko presentation slide



# Power Generation by Density Difference

## The Exergy Tower of Maisotsenko (EXTOM)



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## Remarks

- ▶ Maisotsenko Cycle is a new thermodynamic concept and it is realized as a air cooler in the USA.
- ▶ To use it in Japan (humid climate), combination with desiccant system (dehumidification) is necessary.
- ▶ There are a lot of possibilities in application of the M-Cycle to other fields, such as cooling towers, condensers, and power cycles.

Thank you for your kind attention!

