

Title (en)  
REFRIGERANT LEAKAGE DETECTING DEVICE AND REFRIGERATOR USING THE SAME

Title (de)  
VORRICHTUNG ZUR ERFASSUNG VON KÄLTEMITTELLECKAGE UND DIESE VERWENDENDE KÜHLVORRICHTUNG

Title (fr)  
DISPOSITIF DE DETECTION DE FUITE DE REFRIGERANT ET REFRIGERATEUR UTILISANT UN TEL DISPOSITIF

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP1691150A1] In a refrigerator using a flammable coolant, a coolant leakage detecting device is provided with which it is possible to improve the detection accuracy of coolant leakages certainly in correspondence with input fluctuations of a compressor. When a coolant leak occurs on the low-pressure side of a refrigerating cycle, because the internal pressure of the cycle in operation is negative, air is sucked in and the power increases. When the value of this increase in an instantaneous power for determination  $W_i(t)$  rises above a reference increase value  $G_1$ , it is determined that there is a low-pressure side leak. On the other hand, when a coolant leak occurs on the high-pressure side of the refrigerating cycle, the internal pressure of the cycle in operation decreases and along with this the power decreases. When the value of this decrease in the instantaneous power for detection  $W_i(t)$  exceeds a reference decrease value  $G_2$ , it is determined that there is a coolant leak on the high-pressure side.

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