

ORDRE DES INGÉNIEURS DU QUÉBEC

SESSION DE MAI 2019

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Calculatrices : modèles autorisés seulement
Durée de l'examen : 3 heures

Total : 20 pts

16-CH-A1 PROCESS BALANCES AND CHEMICAL THERMODYNAMICS

(3 pts) 1. Air conditioning

Air, originally at 39 °C and 60 % humidity, is conditioned by being passed through a cooler from which it emerges at 16 °C and then through a heat exchanger from which it emerges at 25 °C.

- a) What is the wet-bulb temperature and humidity content of the original air?
- b) What is the wet-bulb temperature and relative humidity of the conditioned air?
- c) What is the flow of water (kg/h) that must be removed if 300 m³/min of air are fed?

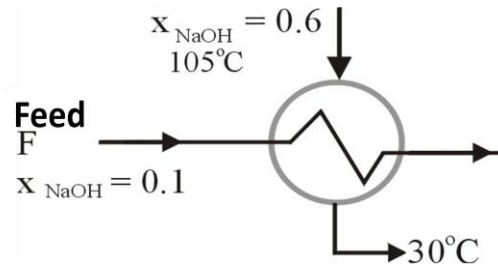
4 pts 2. Nitrogen compression

Five moles of nitrogen undergo a quasi-static compression in a piston-cylinder system without friction, from the initial state at $P_1 = 100$ kPa and $T_1 = 88$ °C to the final state, $P_2 = 300$ kPa and $T_2 = 88$ °C. Initially the system is heated at constant volume to reach the final pressure and then cooled down at constant pressure. **You may consider nitrogen, N₂, as an ideal gas.**

- a) Illustrate the process on a P - v diagram.
- b) Compute the following quantities: w_{12} , q_{12} , Δu and Δh (J/g).
- c) Compute the variation of the entropy for the system and justify the answer.

4 pts 3. Cooling of caustic soda

In an industrial process, a caustic soda aqueous solution containing 60 mass % is cooled from the temperature of 105 °C to 30 °C by means of a heat exchanger which makes it possible to heat the feed as illustrated in the following sketch.



Using the attached Figure 2 and on a basis of 1 kg of the stream at $x_{\text{NaOH}} = 0.60$, determine:

- The fraction of solid NaOH and the liquid composition at the exit of that stream at 30 °C.
- The heat exchange during the process assuming that the enthalpy of the solid NaOH is $h_{\text{NaOH(solid)}} = 1065 + 3.20(T - T_{\text{ref}})$ [kJ/kg] with $T_{\text{ref}} = 20^\circ\text{C}$.

3 pts 4. Pressure variation of CO₂

At -90°C, the vapor pressure of CO₂ and its heat of sublimation are:

$$P_{\text{sat}} = 38.1 \text{ kPa}$$

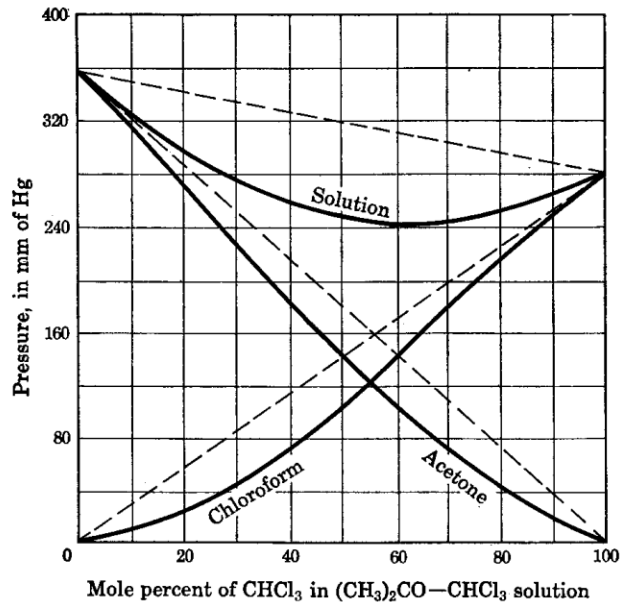
$$h_{\text{ig}} = 574.5 \text{ kJ / kg}$$

and the gas constant for CO₂, $R = 0.1889 \text{ kJ / kg} \cdot \text{K}$

Using these data and a well-know thermodynamic relation estimate its vapor pressure at 100 K (indicate clearly the required hypotheses).

3 pts 5. Liquid-vapor equilibrium of acetone/chloroform solutions

Equilibrium pressure-composition diagram for the acetone/chloroform system at 35 °C is given at the following figure.

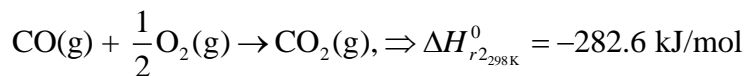


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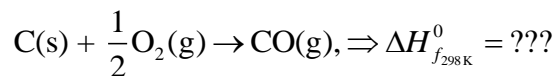
- Using this figure determine the vapor pressure and then its fugacity of the pure acetone at its standard state at 35 °C, $f_{\text{acetone}}^0 [=]$ mm Hg.
- Compute the activity and coefficient activity of acetone in a solution containing 50 % mol acetone (state the required hypotheses) and compare to the results for an ideal solution.

3 pts 6. Standard enthalpy of formation for CO

The standard enthalpy of formation of CO cannot be directly measured. However, it can be determined using the two following reactions:



- Using an indirect thermodynamic path, determine the standard enthalpy of formation of CO :



- Explain in a few words why it is experimentally impossible to measure the standard enthalpy of formation for CO.

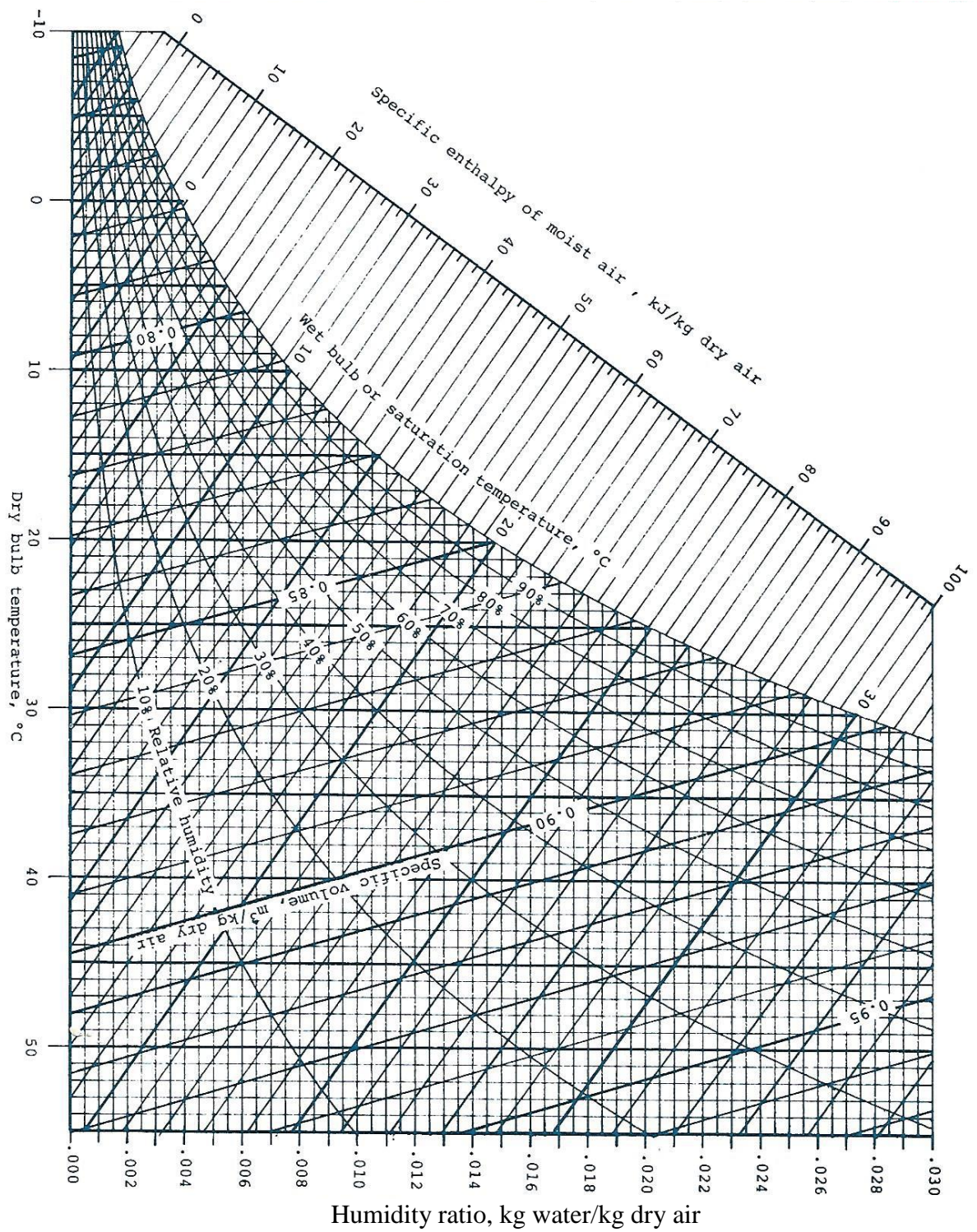


Figure 1. Psychrometric chart

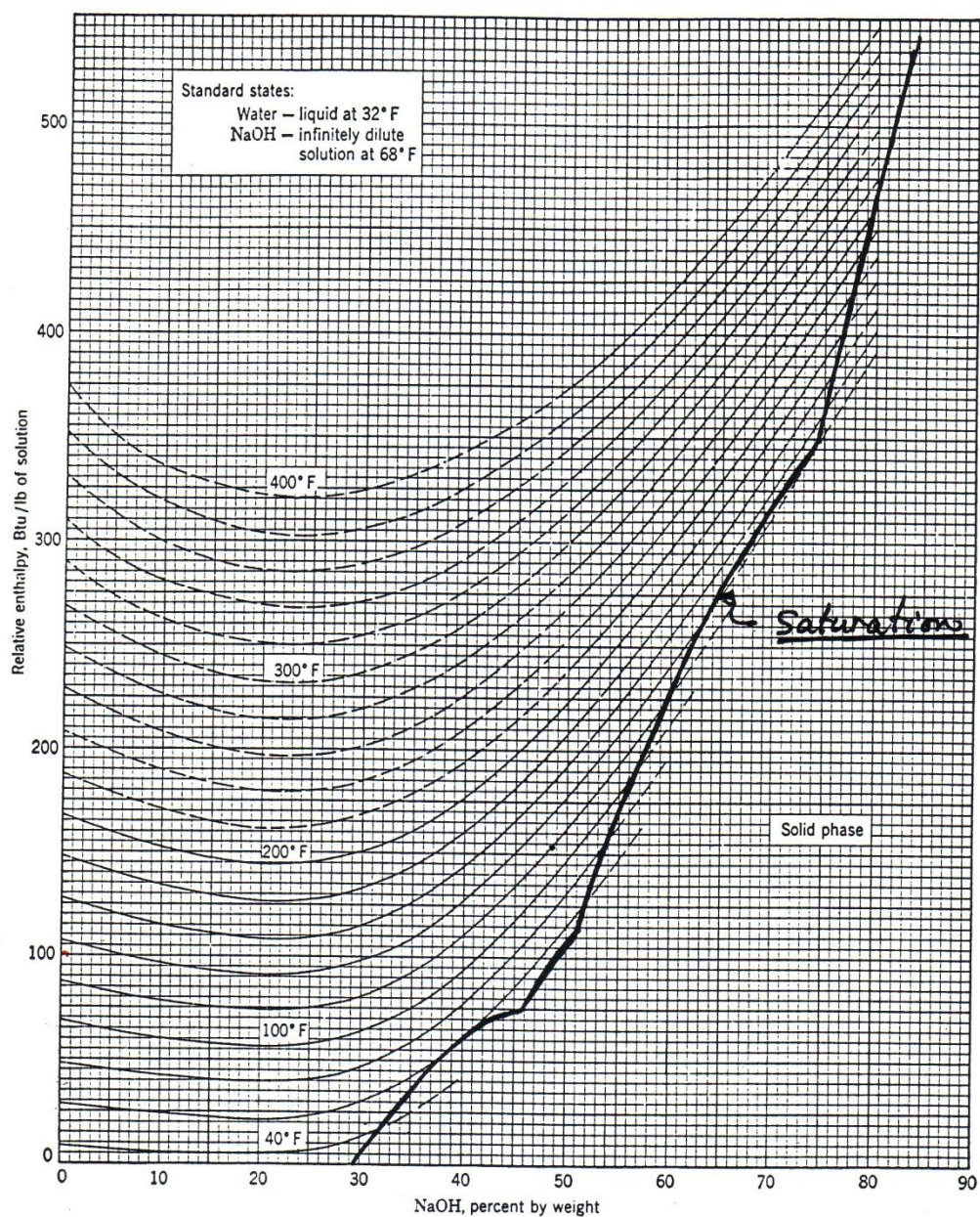


Figure 2. Enthalpy-concentration diagram for aqueous solutions of NaOH

$$1 \text{ BTU/lb}_m = 2.32 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$\text{N.B. } (x^\circ\text{F} - 32.2) \frac{5}{9} = y(^{\circ}\text{C})$$