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Instructions to Candidates

1. Answer question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions.
  2. Show all your steps clearly in your calculation.
  3. Start the answers for each question on a new page.
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1. a) Show from first principles that:

(i)  $\frac{V}{RT} = \left[ \frac{\partial(G/RT)}{\partial P} \right]_T$

(ii)  $\frac{H}{RT} = -T \left[ \frac{\partial(G/RT)}{\partial T} \right]_P$

(iii)  $\frac{P}{RT} = \left[ \frac{\partial(A/RT)}{\partial V} \right]_T$

(iv)  $\frac{U}{RT} = -T \left[ \frac{\partial(A/RT)}{\partial T} \right]_V$  [10]

b) State the equation that gives the general definition of residual properties and give the thermodynamic properties for which it applies? [2]

c) State and explain the advantages and draw backs of using thermodynamic tables? [3]

d) For H<sub>2</sub>O at a temperature of 350°C and up to 10 000kPa (100 bar) plot values of  $f_i$  and  $\phi_i$  calculated from data in the steam tables vs. P.? [10]

2. a) Explain the industrial application of thermodynamic properties of fluids giving relevant examples? [5]

b) Superheated steam originally at  $P_1$  and  $T_1$  expands through a nozzle to an exhaust pressure  $P_2$ . Assuming the process is reversible and adiabatic and that equilibrium is

attained, determine the state of the steam at the exit of the nozzle for the following conditions: [8]

- i)  $P_1 = 1000 \text{ kPa}$ ,  $t_1 = 260^\circ\text{C}$ , and  $P_2 = 200 \text{ kPa}$
- ii)  $P_1 = 150 \text{ (psia)}$ ,  $t_1 = 500^\circ\text{F}$ , and  $P_2 = 30 \text{ (psia)}$

c) The excess enthalpy (heat of mixing) for a liquid mixture of species 1 and 2 at fixed T and P is represented by the equation:

$H^E = x_1 x_2 (40 x_1 + 20 x_2)$  where  $H^E$  is in J/mol. Determine expressions for  $H^E_1$  and  $H^E_2$  as functions of  $x_1$ . [10]

d) Outline the differences between a turbine and a compressor? [2]

3. a) For the system 2-propanol (1)/water (2), the following parameter values are recommended for the Wilson equation:

$$a_{12} = 437.98 \text{ cal/mol} \quad a_{21} = 1238.00 \text{ cal/mol}$$

$$V_1 = 76.92 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol} \quad V_2 = 18.07 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}$$

In addition, the following Antoine equations:

$$\ln P^{sat}_1 / (\text{kPa}) = 16.6780 - \frac{3640.20}{T / (\text{K}) - 53.54}$$

$$\ln P^{sat}_2 / (\text{kPa}) = 16.2887 - \frac{3640.20}{T / (\text{K}) - 46.13}$$

Assuming the validity of  $y_i P = x_i \gamma_i P_i^{sat}$  ( $i=1,2,\dots,N$ ) calculate:

- (a) P and  $\{y_i\}$ , for  $T = 353.15 \text{ K}$  and  $x_1 = 0.25$
- (b) P and  $\{x_i\}$ , for  $T = 353.15 \text{ K}$  and  $y_1 = 0.60$
- (c) T and  $\{y_i\}$ , for  $P = 101.33 \text{ kPa}$  and  $x_1 = 0.85$
- (d) T and  $\{x_i\}$ , for  $P = 101.33 \text{ kPa}$  and  $y_1 = 0.40$
- (e)  $P^{az}$ , the azeotropic pressure, and  $x_1^{az} = y_1^{az}$ , the azeotropic composition, for  $T = 353.15 \text{ K}$ . [25]

4. a) State and explain in detail the two idealizations that facilitate the practical applications of equations of balance? [5]

b) With the aid of a diagram illustrate the steps involved in pressure, temperature flash calculations? [10]

c) State the fundamental property relations equations and define each variable stating its units of measurement? [10]

5. a) Calculate the equilibrium constant for vapour-phase hydration of ethylene at 145 and at 145 °C and 320°C using data from heat capacities and property changes of formation?

**Data**

$$\int_{T_0}^T \frac{\Delta C_p^0}{R} dT = -23.121 \text{ (for } T = 145^\circ\text{C)} \text{ and } = 22.632 \text{ (for } T = 320^\circ\text{C)}$$

and 
$$\int_{T_0}^T \frac{\Delta C_p^0}{R} \frac{dT}{T} = -0.06924 \text{ (for } T = 145^\circ\text{C)} \text{ and } = 0.01731 \text{ (for } T = 320^\circ\text{C)}$$
 [13]

b) Discuss in brief the use of ejectors in thermodynamics of flow processes? [5]

c) Justify the notion that the Gibbs energy, Helmholtz energy and partition function serve as generating functions for other thermodynamic properties. Include all the relevant equations in your justification? [7]

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