

EXAM PET 550 - Nat-Gas processing (I)  
& Transportation (Continuation / rest)

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SUGGESTED ANSWERS

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EX1 a) Given:  $du = Tds - pdv$   
 $a = u - Ts$

E.g:  $\frac{da}{dv} = \frac{du}{dv} - \frac{d}{dv}(T \cdot s) = \frac{du}{dv} - T \frac{ds}{dv} - s \frac{dT}{dv}$

Also:  $\frac{du}{dv} = T \frac{ds}{dv} - p \frac{dv}{dv}$  (since T is const. AND differentials can be treated as any algebraic item)

combined:  $\frac{da}{dv} = T \frac{ds}{dv} - p \frac{dv}{dv} - T \frac{ds}{dv} - s \frac{dT}{dv}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{da}{dv} = -p$  (T = const.) = 1 pr. def. = 0 because T = const.

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b) Ideal gas:  $p^* = \frac{RT}{v}$ ; function of v only at const. T

$$\Delta a^* = - \int_{v_1^*}^{v_2^*} p^*(v) dv$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta a^* = - \int_{v_1^*}^{v_2^*} \frac{RT}{v} dv = -RT [\ln v]_{v_1^*}^{v_2^*}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{RT \ln \left( \frac{v_1^*}{v_2^*} \right)}}$$

$$c) (a^* - a) = \int_{v^*}^{\infty} \frac{RT}{v} dv - \int_{v^*}^{\infty} p dv$$

1: First term corresponds to  $-RT \ln \left( \frac{v_1^*}{v_2^*} \right)$

with  $v_1^* = v^*$  and  $v_2^* = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} v$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{v^*}^{\infty} \frac{RT}{v} dv = RT \left( \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \ln v - \ln v^* \right)$$

2: Second term is given; i.e. since

$da = -p dv$ , then  $\Delta a = - \int_{v_1}^{v_2} p(v) dv$ ;

with  $v_1 = v$  and  $v_2 = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} v$

$$\Rightarrow - \int_{v}^{\infty} p dv = RT \left( \ln(v - \beta) - \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \ln(v - \beta) \right)$$

$$+ \alpha \left( \frac{1}{v} - \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{v} \right)$$

3: Regroup:  $(a^* - a) = RT \left( -\ln v^* + \ln(v - \beta) \right)$

$$+ \frac{\alpha}{v} + RT \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \left( \ln v - \ln(v - \beta) \right) - \alpha \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{v}$$

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{v}{v-\beta}\right) \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{because } \frac{v}{v-\beta} \rightarrow 1)$$

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{v} \rightarrow 0$$

⇒ We are left with:

$$\underline{\underline{(a^x - a) = RT \ln\left(\frac{v-\beta}{v^x}\right) + \frac{\alpha}{v}}}$$

EX2 a) From the diagram:  $X = 0.17 \Rightarrow Y = 0.35$

Mass - and component balance ( $X = X_{C3} = 1 - X_{N14}$ )

$$F = V + L$$

$$F \cdot z = V \cdot Y + L \cdot X \Rightarrow z = \frac{V}{F} Y + \frac{L}{F} X$$

$$\rightarrow L = F - V \Rightarrow \frac{L}{F} = \frac{F - V}{F} = 1 - \frac{V}{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{V}{F} \cdot Y + \left(1 - \frac{V}{F}\right) \cdot X = 0.7 \cdot 0.35 + (1 - 0.7) \cdot 0.17$$

$$= 0.296$$

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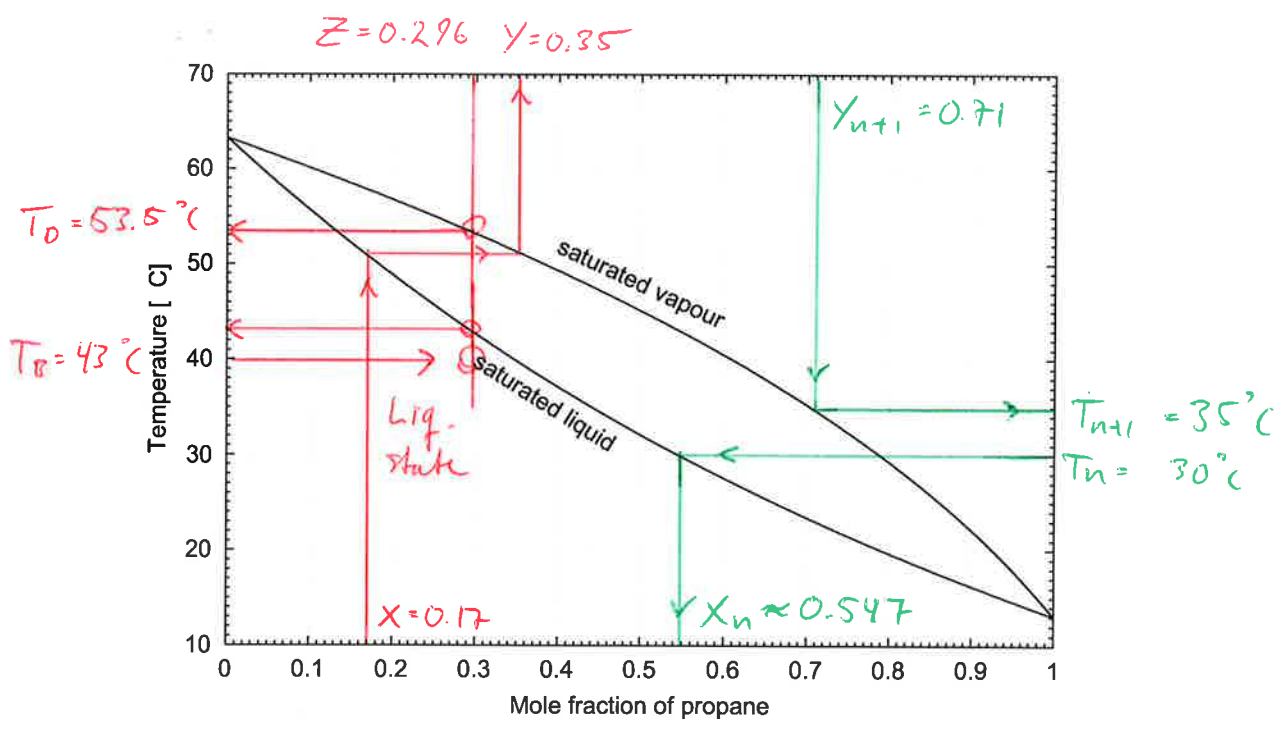


Figure 1: Binary phase diagram (T-x-y) for n-butane and propane at p = 7.5 bar.

b) I :  $T_B = 43.0^\circ\text{C}$  ,  $T_D = 53.5^\circ\text{C}$

II : Liquid state

III : More ; Since the "end points" (i.e. pure comp.)  
 - bubble point curves are shifted towards higher temperatures at higher pressure, the diagram will be shifted upwards by raising the pressure.

c) I Since the temperature at tray n =  $30^\circ\text{C}$ , and the liquid coming from there is at the boiling point, then from diagram  $X_n \approx 0.547$

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Mass- and component balance for the top-section:

$$V_{n+1} = L_n + D$$

$$V_{n+1} \cdot Y_{n+1} = L_n \cdot X_n + D \cdot X_D \Rightarrow \frac{V_{n+1}}{D} \cdot Y_{n+1} = \frac{L_n}{D} X_n + X_D$$

$$\frac{V_{n+1}}{D} = \frac{L_n + D}{D} = \frac{L_n}{D} + 1$$

$$L_n = L \Rightarrow \frac{L_n}{D} = R \Rightarrow (R+1) Y_{n+1} = R X_n + X_D$$

$$\Rightarrow Y_{n+1} = \frac{R}{R+1} X_n + \frac{1}{R+1} X_D = \frac{1.75}{2.75} \cdot 0.547 + \frac{0.995}{2.75}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.71}}$$

# This vapour is at the dew point at tray  $n+1$ ,  
 so from the diagram:  $T_{n+1} \approx \underline{\underline{35^\circ\text{C}}}$

Ex. 3 a)  $su = \frac{\dot{m}}{A}$  ,  $S = \frac{P}{ZRT}$

Eq.:  $su^2 = \frac{(su)^2}{S} = \left(\frac{\dot{m}}{A}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{ZRT}{P}$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{dp}{dL} = k \cdot su^2 \Rightarrow dL = -\frac{1}{k su^2} dp$$

$$= -\frac{A^2}{k ZRT \dot{m}^2} p dp \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

b) 1: Integrate:

$$\int_0^L dL = - \frac{A^2}{k Z R T \dot{m}^2} \int_{P_1}^{P_2} p dp$$

$$\Rightarrow L = - \frac{A^2}{k Z R T \dot{m}^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (P_2^2 - P_1^2)$$

2: Solve for  $\dot{m}$ :

$$\dot{m}^2 = \frac{A^2 \cdot (P_2^2 - P_1^2)}{2 k Z R T L} \Rightarrow \dot{m} = \sqrt{\frac{(P_2^2 - P_1^2) A^2}{2 k Z R T L}}$$

3: Insert data in basic units:

$$\dot{m} = \sqrt{\frac{[(137 \cdot 10^5)^2 - (85 \cdot 10^5)^2] \left(\frac{N}{m^2}\right)^2 \cdot (0.46 \text{ m}^2)^2}{2 \cdot 0.0065 \frac{1}{m} \cdot 0.94 \cdot 455 \frac{Nm}{kg \cdot K} \cdot 280.45 K \cdot 540000 m}}$$

$$\left( \begin{aligned} R &= \frac{8.3144 \frac{J}{mole \cdot K}}{0.63 \cdot 29 \frac{g}{mole}} = 0.455 \frac{J}{g \cdot K} = 455 \frac{J}{kg \cdot K} \\ T &= 7.3^\circ C + 273.15 = 280.45 K \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m} = \sqrt{29009 \left(\frac{kg}{s}\right)^2} = \underline{\underline{170.3 \frac{kg}{s}}}$$

c) 1. Need diameter for the Weymouth eq.

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \rightarrow D = \sqrt{\frac{4A}{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot 0.46}{\pi}} = \underline{0.765 \text{ m}}$$

2. Pressures in kPa:

$$P_1 = 137 \text{ bar} = 13700 \text{ kPa}$$

$$P_2 = 85 \text{ bar} = 8500 \text{ kPa}$$

$$P_{sc} = 101.325 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{sc} = 1.185 \cdot 10^7 \cdot \frac{288.15}{101.325} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(13700^2 - 8500^2) \cdot 0.765^{5.333}}{0.63 \cdot 540000 \cdot 280.45 \cdot 0.94}}$$

$$= 18.716.427 \frac{\text{Sm}^3}{\text{d}} = \underline{18,72 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Sm}^3}{\text{d}}}$$

d) Convert answer in c) to kg/s:

$$18.72 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Sm}^3}{\text{d}} \cdot 42300 \frac{\text{kmol}}{10^6 \text{Sm}^3} = 791856 \frac{\text{kmol}}{\text{d}}$$

$$\cdot 18.27 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{kmol}} = 14.467.209 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{d}} = \underline{167.4 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}}$$

$$\left( M_g = \gamma \cdot M_a = 0.63 \cdot 29 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mole}} = 18.27 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mole}} \left( \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{kmole}} \right) \right)$$



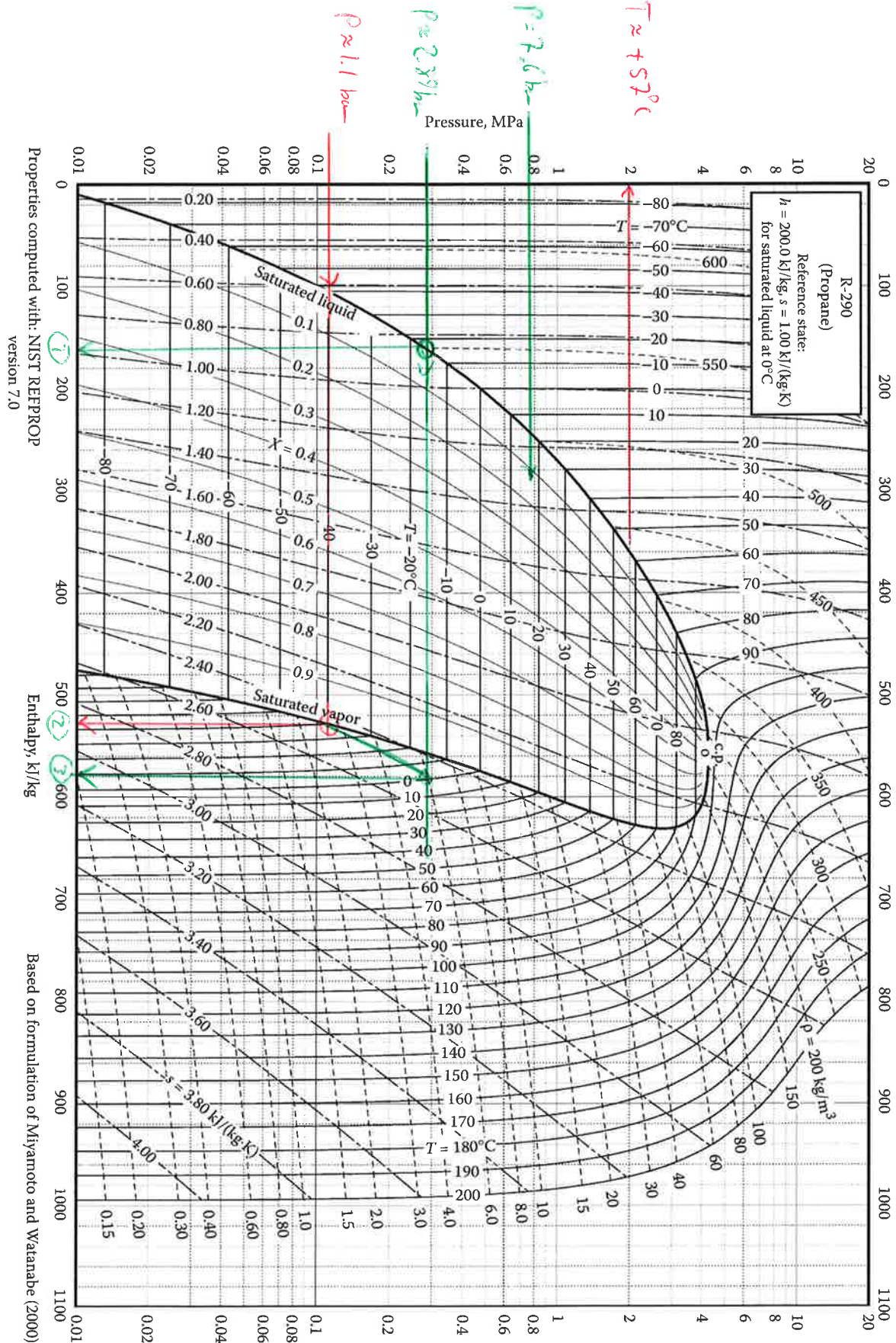
~ Deviation :  $\frac{170.3 - 167.4}{167.4} = 0.017 = \underline{\underline{1.7\%}}$

→ (might as well choose the other as reference)

Ex. 4 a)

I:  $T_{min} \approx -40^\circ C$

II:  $P_{max} \approx 20 \text{ bar}$





$$\text{III: } \frac{P_c}{P_3} = \frac{P_3}{P_2} = \frac{P_2}{P_1} = R \Rightarrow P_3 = P_2 \cdot R$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_c}{P_2 R} = \frac{P_2}{P_1} = R \Rightarrow P_2 = P_1 \cdot R$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_c}{(P_1 R) \cdot R} = R \Rightarrow \frac{P_c}{P_1} = R^3 \rightarrow R = \sqrt[3]{\frac{P_c}{P_1}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{20}{1.1}}$$

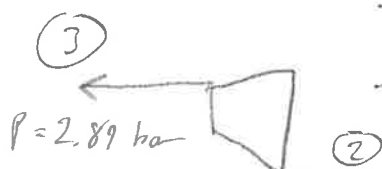
$$= \underline{\underline{2.63}}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_2 = 1.1 \cdot 2.63 = \underline{\underline{2.89 \text{ bar}}} \quad (\text{MP})$$

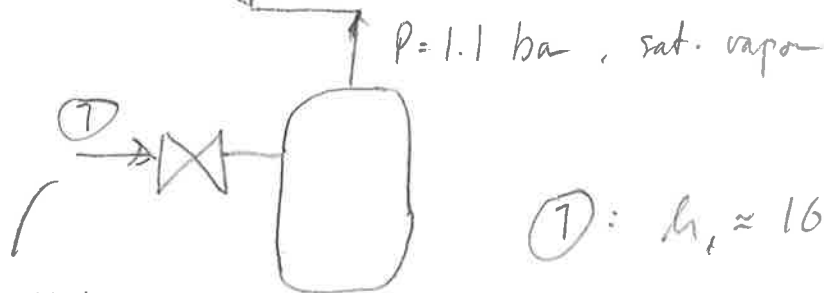
$$P_3 = 2.89 \cdot 2.63 = \underline{\underline{7.60 \text{ bar}}} \quad (\text{HP})$$

Temperatures:  $T_2 \approx -15^\circ \text{C}$

$T_3 \approx +17^\circ \text{C}$



b)



$P = 2.89 \text{ bar}$ ,  
sat. liq.

$$\textcircled{1}: h_1 \approx 160 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$\textcircled{2}: h_2 \approx 530 \text{ "}$$

$$\textcircled{3}: h_{3is} \approx 580 \text{ " (if compression was isentropic)}$$

$$\text{Cold duty: } Q_o = \dot{m} (h_2 - h_1) = 237 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}} \cdot (530 - 160) \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} = \underline{\underline{87690 \text{ kW}}}$$

Compression work, stage 1:

$$W_c = \dot{m} \frac{(h_{315} - h_2)}{\eta_{is}} = 237 \cdot \frac{580 - 530}{0.85} = \underline{\underline{13941 \text{ kW}}}$$

c) 9% of cold duty :  $\dot{Q}_{NG} = 0.09 \cdot 87690 \text{ kW}$   
 $= \underline{\underline{7892.1 \text{ kW}}}$

$$\dot{Q}_{NG} = \dot{m}_{NG} \cdot \Delta h_{NG} \Rightarrow \dot{m}_{NG} = \frac{7892.1 \text{ kW}}{59 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{133.8 \text{ kg/s}}}$$

$$= 133.8 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}} \cdot 3600 \frac{\text{s}}{\text{h}} \cdot 24 \frac{\text{h}}{\text{d}} \cdot 365 \frac{\text{d}}{\text{a}} = 4.22 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{a}}$$

$$= 4.22 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{tonnes}}{\text{a}} = \underline{\underline{4.22 \text{ mtpa}}}$$