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## FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

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### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **any four** questions.
2. Start a new question on a fresh page.
3. Total marks 100.

**Additional material(s):** Calculator, Steam Tables,  
Conversions Table, Antoine Equation  
Constants Table, Periodic Table

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### QUESTION 1

- a) State the conditions under which a gas mixture is assumed to be ideal. [2]
- b) A stream of nitrogen gas flowing at the rate of 14 kg/s and a stream of hydrogen gas flowing at the rate of 6 kg/s are mixed in a steady flow process. The temperature of the whole system is constant at 25 °C. Assuming the gases to be ideal, calculate:
- i. The rate of change in total entropy. [6]
- ii. The rate of change in total Gibbs free energy. [4]
- c) The molar volume of a binary liquid mixture at  $T$  and  $P$  is given by:

$$V = 120x_1 + 70x_2 + x_1x_2(15x_1 + 8x_2)$$

- i. Find the expressions for the partial molar volumes of species 1 and 2 at  $T$  and  $P$  as functions of  $x_1$ . [9]
- ii. Find the numerical values of partial molar volumes of species 1 and 2 at infinite dilution. [4]

### QUESTION 2

- a) The volume change of mixing ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{mol}$ ) for the system ethanol (1)/methyl butyl ether (2) at 25 °C is given by the equation:

$$\Delta V = x_1x_2[-1.026 + 0.22(x_1 - x_2)]$$

Given that  $V_1 = 58.63 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}$  and  $V_2 = 118.46 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}$ , calculate the volume of mixture formed when 750  $\text{cm}^3$  of pure species 1 is mixed with 1 500  $\text{cm}^3$  of pure species 2 at 25 °C. [8]

- b)  $\text{LiCl} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(s)$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$  are mixed isothermally at 25 °C to form a solution containing 8 mol of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  for each mole of  $\text{LiCl}$ . Determine the heat effect per mole of solution. Data for standard enthalpy changes of formation at 298 K is given in the next page.

**Chemical component****Enthalpy change of formation***LiCl·2H<sub>2</sub>O(s)*- 1 012 650 J/mol of *LiCl**H<sub>2</sub>O(l)*- 285 830 J/mol of *H<sub>2</sub>O**LiCl* in 8 mol *H<sub>2</sub>O*- 440 529 J/mol of *LiCl* [7]

- c) A 100 lb<sub>m</sub> batch of 50 wt % *NaOH* solution in water at 80 °F and atmospheric pressure is heated in an insulated tank by injection of live steam drawn through a valve from a line containing saturated steam ( $x = 1$ ) at 2.4 bar. The process is stopped when the *NaOH* solution reaches a concentration of 45 wt %. Determine the temperature of this final solution in °F. The  $H$ - $x$  graph for *NaOH/H<sub>2</sub>O* system is attached at the end of the question paper. [10]

**QUESTION 3**

- a) The phase rule is used to determine the number of intensive variables that must be specified to fix the state of the system.
- State the phase rule for a non-reacting system. [1]
  - Determine the number of intensive variables required to fix the state of a mixture of methane, ethane and propane that is in vapour/liquid equilibrium at a specified fixed pressure. [4]
- b) State and explain whether the following system obeys Raoult's law:
- Water/n-decane [3]
  - Water/ammonia [3]
- c) Show that when  $x_i$  is unknown Raoult's law can be expressed as:
- $$P = \frac{1}{\sum_i \left( \frac{y_i}{p_i^{sat}} \right)} \quad [4]$$
- d) A system of n-pentane(1)/n-hexane(2) is at  $T = 50$  °C and  $y_1 = 0.6$ . Assuming that Raoult's law applies, determine the pressure of the system and  $x_1$ . The saturation pressures are calculated using the Antoine Equation. [10]

### QUESTION 4

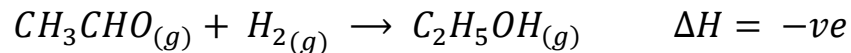
- a) Explain the effect of osmotic pressure on reverse osmosis operations. [4]
- b) A concentrated binary solution containing mostly species 2 (but  $x_2 \neq 1$ ) is in equilibrium with a vapour phase containing both species 1 and 2. The pressure of this two-phase system is 1 bar; the temperature is 25 °F. Determine good estimates of  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  given that  $H_1 = 200$  bar and  $P_2^{\text{sat}} = 0.1$  bar. [8]
- c) For the system ethyl ethanoate (1)/n- heptane(2) at 343.15 K,
- $\ln \gamma_1 = 0.95x_2^2$   $\ln \gamma_2 = 0.95x_1^2$
  - $P_1^{\text{sat}} = 79.8$  kPa  $P_2^{\text{sat}} = 40.5$  kPa

Assuming that the modified Raoult's law applies,

- i. Show that an azeotrope exists for the system. [5]
- ii. Determine the azeotropic composition and pressure at 343.15 K. [8]

### QUESTION 5

The following reaction of ideal gases reaches equilibrium at 350 °C and 3 bar:



$K$  at 350 °C is 3.7064. Initially there are 3 moles of  $H_2$  and 2 moles of  $CH_3CHO$ .

- a) Calculate the equilibrium composition of the system. [8]
- b) If the pressure is reduced to 1 bar and temperature is maintained at 350 °C, determine the new equilibrium composition. [8]
- c) Explain the effect on the equilibrium composition of increasing the temperature to 500 °C whilst maintaining pressure at 3 bar. [4]
- d) Suppose that  $Ar$  (g) is added to the system whilst  $T = 350$  °C and  $P = 3$  bar.
- i. How does this affect  $K$ . [1]
  - ii. Explain the effect on equilibrium composition. [4]

**END OF EXAMINATION**

H-x graph for NaOH/H<sub>2</sub>O

