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DURATION: 3 HOURS

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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): Steam Tables, Conversions Table, Antoine Equation Constants Table, Periodic Table

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QUESTION 1

- a) Define *partial molar property of species i in solution*. Also state the formula that represent the partial molar property of species *i* in solution. [2]
- b) A stream of methane gas flowing at the rate of 16 kg/s and a stream of ethane gas flowing at the rate of 15 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 the rate of change in total Gibbs free energy.

c) Show that
$$\gamma_i = \frac{\widehat{\Phi}_i}{\Phi_i}$$
 [4]

d) The excess enthalpy (heat of mixing) of a liquid mixture of species 1 and 2 at fixed *T* and *P* is given by:

$$H^E = x_1 x_2 (40 x_1 + 20 x_2)$$

- i. Determine the expressions for \overline{H}_1^E and \overline{H}_2^E as functions of x_l . [9]
- ii. Show that the expressions obtained in part a) satisfy the Gibbs/Duhem equation.

QUESTION 2

- a) Starting from $\overline{H_i}^{id} = H_i$, show that $H^E = \Delta H$ where H^E is the excess solution enthalpy and ΔH is the enthalpy change or heat of mixing. [4]
 - b) $LiCl \cdot 3H_2O(s)$ and $H_2O(l)$ are mixed isothermally at 25 °C to form a solution containing 8 mol of H_2O for each mole of LiCl. Calculate the heat effect per mole of solution. Data for standard enthalpy changes of formation at 298 K is:

Chemical component	Enthalpy change of formation
$LiCl\cdot 3H_2O(s)$	- 1 311 300 J/mol of <i>LiCl</i>
$H_2O(l)$	- 285 830 J/mol of <i>H</i> ₂ <i>O</i>
$LiCl$ in 8 mol H_2O	- 440 529 J/mol of <i>LiCl</i> [9]

c) A 150 lb_m batch of 30 wt % *NaOH* solution in water at 70 °F and atmospheric pressure is heated in an insulated tank by injection of live steam drawn through a valve from a line containing wet steam (x = 0.4) at 1.3 bar. The process is stopped when the *NaOH* solution reaches a concentration of 25 wt %. Determine the temperature of this final solution in °F. The *H-x* graph for *NaOH/H₂O* system is attached at the end of the question paper. [12]

QUESTION 3

- a) State two major assumptions that reduce VLE calculations to Raoult's law. [2]
- b) Why does a mixture of ammonia and n-octane **not** obey Raoult's law? [3]
- c) Sketch the *P* vs *x*,*y* phase diagram at constant *T* of a binary solution that obeys Raoult's law, where species 1 is the more volatile component, labelling all the regions, curves and limiting points. [7]
- d) Show that when y_i is unknown Raoult's law can be expressed as:

$$P = \sum_{i} x_{i} P_{i}^{sat}$$
^[3]

e) A system of n-heptane (1)/cyclohexane (2) is at T = 70 °C and $x_1 = 0.65$. Assuming that Raoult's law applies, determine the pressure of the system and y_1 . The saturation pressures are calculated using the Antoine Equation. [10]

QUESTION 4

- a) With the aid of a diagram, describe a reverse osmosis operation. [6]
- 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 2.5 bar; the temperature is 25 °C. Determine good estimates of x_1 and y_1 given that $H_1 = 550$ bar and $P_2^{sat} = 0.03166$ bar. [8]
- c) A binary system of species 1 and 2 consists of vapour and liquid phases in

equilibrium at temperature *T*, for which:

- $\ln \gamma_1 = 1.8x_2^2$ $\ln \gamma_2 = 1.8x_1^2$
- $P_1^{sat} = 1.24 \text{ bar}$ $P_2^{sat} = 0.89 \text{ bar}$

Assuming that the modified Raoult's law applies,

- i. Show that an azeotrope exists for the system. [5]
- ii. Determine the azeotropic composition at *T*. [6]

QUESTION 5

The following reaction of ideal gases reaches equilibrium at 625 K and 1 bar:

$$C_3 H_{8(g)} \rightarrow C_2 H_{4(g)} + C H_{4(g)} \qquad \Delta H = +ve$$

K at 625 K is 1.5236. Initially there are 3 moles of C_3H_8 and 1 mole of CH_4 .

- a) Calculate the equilibrium composition of the system. [10]
- b) If the pressure is reduced to 0.6 bar and temperature is maintained at 625 K, determine the new equilibrium composition. [10]
- c) Explain the effect on the equilibrium composition of decreasing the temperature of the system to 400 K whilst maintaining pressure at 1 bar. [4]
- d) If N₂(g) is added to the system whilst T = 625 K and P = 1 bar, how is K affected?

Note:
$$\prod_i (y_i)^{\nu_i} = K \left(\frac{P}{P^o}\right)^{-\nu}$$

END OF EXAMINATION

