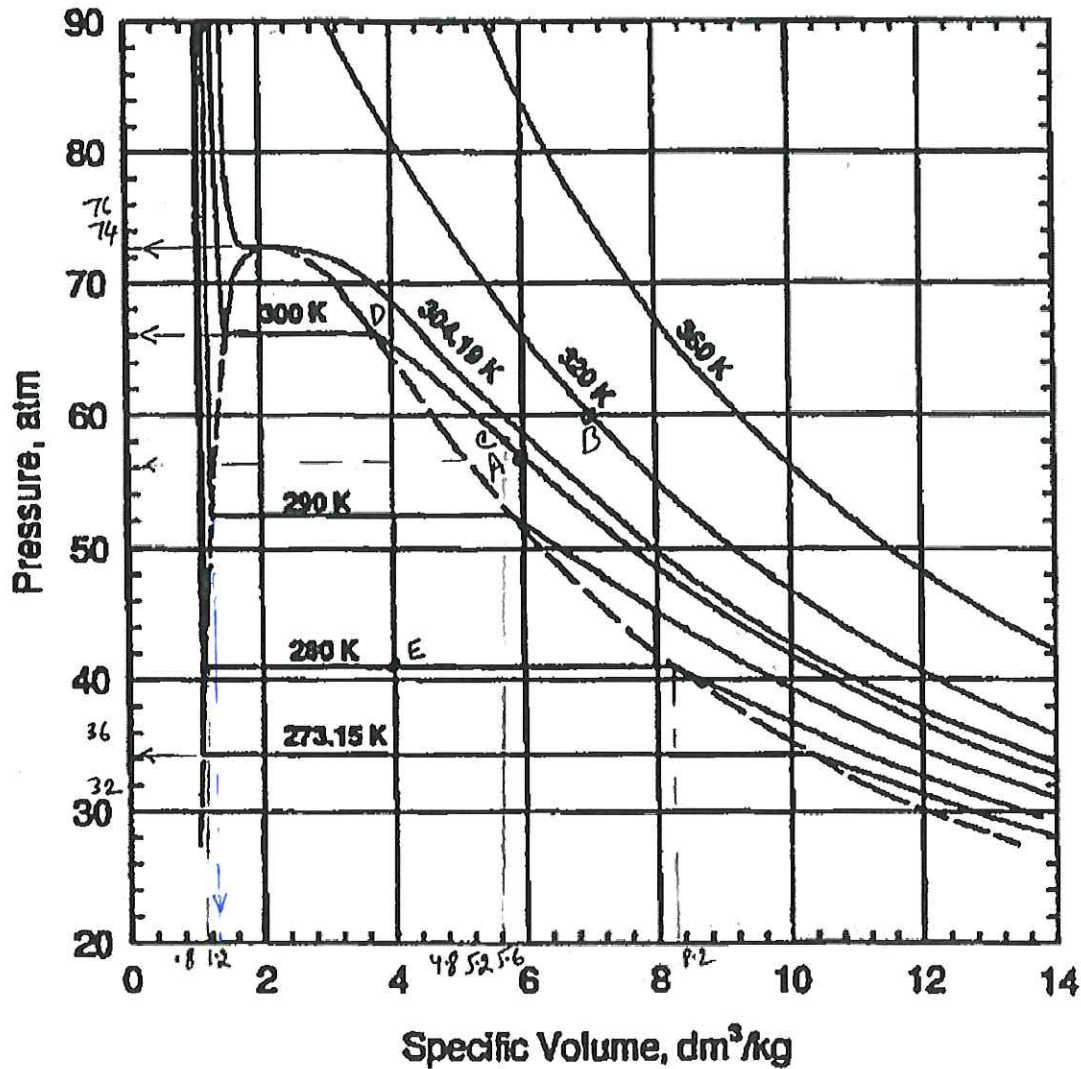


3. Use the phase diagram for the vapour-liquid region of CO<sub>2</sub> to answer the following questions. Show all your work for full marks.



**Pressure - Volume Diagram for CO<sub>2</sub>**

- (a) (i) What is the critical pressure of CO<sub>2</sub>. (2)

$$P_{cr} \approx \boxed{72.5 \text{ atm}}$$

- (ii) Estimate the vapor pressure of CO<sub>2</sub> at 0°C. (1/2)

$$0^\circ\text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$$

$$P_{vap} \approx \boxed{34.1 \text{ atm}}$$

- (iii) What phase or phases exist at 300 K and at a specific volume of  $6 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg}$ ? (/2)

$$T = 300 \text{ K} < T_c$$

Point A:  $P < P_c$ , state is VAPOUR

- (iv) What phase or phases exist at 320 K and at 60 atm? (/2)

$$\text{Point B: } T = 320 \text{ K} > T_c$$

$$P < P_c$$

state is GAS

- (v) Is the pressure of the system at the following conditions ( $T = 300 \text{ K}$ , specific volume =  $6 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg}$ ) greater or less or equal to the vapor pressure of  $\text{CO}_2$  at 300 K (/3)

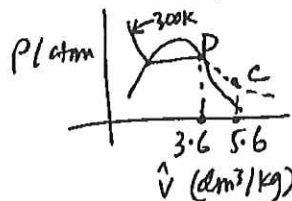
@  $T = 300 \text{ K}$ ,  $\hat{V} = 6 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg} \rightarrow \text{Point A.}$   
 $P_{\text{system}} \approx 56 \text{ atm}$   
 $P_{\text{vap@300K}} \approx 66 \text{ atm}$

$$\boxed{P_{\text{system}} < P_{\text{vap}}}$$

- (vi) 100 kg of pure  $\text{CO}_2$  is contained in a rigid container of volume  $560 \text{ dm}^3$  at a temperature of 300 K. Determine how much  $\text{CO}_2$  (kg) would have to be added to the container at the same temperature so that the phase of  $\text{CO}_2$  become saturated vapor? (/4)

100 kg  $\text{CO}_2$  in  $560 \text{ dm}^3 \Rightarrow \hat{V} = \frac{560}{100} = 5.6 \frac{\text{dm}^3}{\text{kg}} @ T = 300 \text{ K}$   
 point C.

To be saturated,  $\hat{V}$  should be  $\approx 3.6 \frac{\text{dm}^3}{\text{kg}}$  (point D)



Then,  $\frac{560}{m_{\text{new}}} = 3.6$   
 $\Rightarrow m = 155.6 \text{ kg}$

Then  $(155.6 - 100) = \boxed{55.6 \text{ kg}}$   $\text{CO}_2$  should be added.

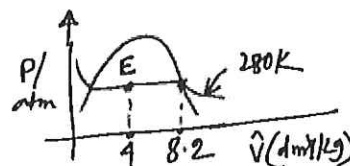
- (b) A separate container of volume  $400 \text{ dm}^3$  contains 100 kg of  $\text{CO}_2$  at a temperature of 280 K.

$\hat{V} = 4 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg}$   
 $T = 280 \text{ K} \Rightarrow (L+V) \text{ at point E}$

- (i) What is the specific volume of the vapor present inside the container? (/2)

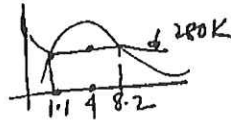
$\hat{V}_{\text{mixture}} = 4 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg}$

$\hat{V}_{\text{vapor}} = \boxed{8.2 \text{ dm}^3/\text{kg}}$



(ii) What is the specific volume of the liquid present inside the container? (/2)

$$\hat{V}_{liq} \approx 1.1 \frac{dm^3}{kg}$$



(iii) How much liquid is present? (/4)

Liq  $\xrightarrow{\text{mix}}$  Vapour

$$\frac{m_L}{m_{tot}} = \frac{\hat{V}_{vap} - \hat{V}_{mix}}{\hat{V}_{vap} - \hat{V}_{liq}} = \frac{8.2 - 4}{8.2 - 1.1} \approx 0.59$$

$$\Rightarrow m_L = 0.59 \times m_{tot} = 0.59 \times 100 \text{ kg} = \boxed{59 \text{ kg}}$$

Both are OK.

$$\text{or, in terms of volume, } V_{liq} = (59 \text{ kg}) \left( 1.1 \frac{dm^3}{kg} \right) = \boxed{65 dm^3}$$

(iv) The temperature of the above container is raised to 290 K. What fraction of total mass is liquid? (/5)

Rise in temp changes the specific volumes of vap & liq.

$$\hat{V}_{liq} \approx 1.2 \quad \hat{V}_{mix} = 4 \quad \hat{V}_{vap} \approx 5.8$$

$$\frac{m_{liq}}{m_{tot}} = \frac{\hat{V}_{vap} - \hat{V}_{mix}}{\hat{V}_{vap} - \hat{V}_{liq}} = \frac{5.8 - 4}{5.8 - 1.2} = \boxed{0.39} \text{ Ans}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{liq} = \boxed{37.5 \text{ kg}}$$

(v) Calculate the degree of freedom for the system when the temperature of the container is raised to 290 K as in part (iv). (/2)

$$F = 2 + C - P$$

From part (iv)  $P = 2$

$$F = 2 + 1 - 2 = \boxed{1} \text{ Ans}$$

Note: Since T is given, there is no intensive variable left to be specified.  
 $F_{available} = \boxed{0}$