

CH365 Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics

Lesson 39

Simple and Modified VLE Models and Flash Calculations

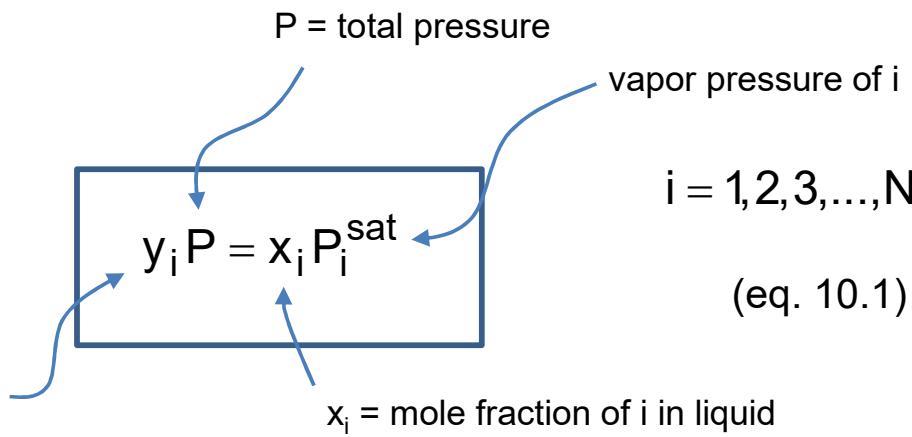
Block 6 – Solution Thermodynamics

Today's Topic – Modified Raoult's Law

Raoult's Law

- valid from triple point to critical point
- not good for non-ideal solutions

y_i = mole fraction of i in vapor



- vapor phase is ideal gas
- liquid phase is ideal solution

$$\bar{V}_i^{\text{id}} = V_i$$

(Ch. 10)

Equilibrium Ratio

"i" in liquid \rightleftharpoons "i" in vapor

$$K_i = \frac{y_i}{x_i}$$

$$\therefore K_i = \frac{P_i^{\text{sat}}}{P}$$

$$\therefore K_i = \frac{\gamma P_i^{\text{sat}}}{P}$$

Modified Equilibrium Ratio

$$K = \frac{y_i}{\gamma_i x_i}$$

activity coefficient of i in liquid

$$y_i P = \gamma_i x_i P_i^{\text{sat}}$$

(eq. 13.19)

Activity Coefficient

f_i has units of pressure
“escaping tendency”

tendency of a substance to pass from one phase to another

for ideal gases:

$$f_i^{\text{ig}} = P \quad (\text{Eq. 10.32})$$

for ideal solution:

$$\hat{f}_i^{\text{id}} = x_i f_i \quad (\text{Eq. 10.83})$$

$$\bar{G}_i = \Gamma_i(T) + RT \hat{f}_i \quad (\text{Eq. 10-46, page 372})$$

$$\bar{G}_i^{\text{id}} = \Gamma_i(T) + RT \ln x_i f_i$$

$$\bar{G}_i - \bar{G}_i^{\text{id}} = RT \ln \frac{\hat{f}_i}{x_i f_i}$$

Excess Gibbs energy:

$$\bar{G}_i^E = \bar{G}_i - \bar{G}_i^{\text{id}} \quad (\text{Definition, Lesson 37})$$

$$\gamma_i \equiv \frac{\hat{f}_i}{x_i f_i} \quad (\text{Eq. 13.2}) \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{f}_i^{\text{liq}} = x_i \gamma_i^{\text{liq}} f_i^{\text{liq}}$$

$$\bar{G}_i^E = RT \ln \gamma_i \quad (\text{Eq. 13.3})$$

Activity Coefficient Models

All models have corresponding G^E functions (not shown here).

Margules
(2-constant)

(eq. 13.40-13.41, p. 477)

$$\log \gamma_1 = x_2^2 [A_{12} + 2x_1(A_{21} - A_{12})]$$

$$\log \gamma_2 = x_1^2 [A_{21} + 2x_2(A_{12} - A_{21})]$$

Margules
(1-constant)

(eq. 13.37-13.38, p. 476)

$$\log \gamma_1 = Ax_2^2$$

$$A_{21} = A_{12} = A$$

$$\log \gamma_2 = Ax_1^2$$

van Laar
(2-constant)

(eq. 13.43-13.44, p. 479)

$$\log \gamma_1 = \frac{A_{12}}{\left[1 + (x_1 A_{12}) / (x_2 A_{21})\right]^2}$$

$$\log \gamma_2 = \frac{A_{21}}{\left[1 + (x_2 A_{21}) / (x_1 A_{12})\right]^2}$$

Wilson
(2-constant)

(eq. 13.46-13.47, p. 480)

$$\log \gamma_1 = -\ln(x_1 + \Lambda_{12}x_2) + x_2 \left(\frac{\Lambda_{12}}{x_1 + \Lambda_{12}} - \frac{\Lambda_{21}}{x_2 + \Lambda_{21}x_1} \right)$$

$$\log \gamma_2 = -\ln(x_2 + \Lambda_{21}x_1) - x_1 \left(\frac{\Lambda_{12}}{x_1 + \Lambda_{12}} - \frac{\Lambda_{21}}{x_2 + \Lambda_{21}x_1} \right)$$

NRTL
(3-constant)

(eq. 13.49-13.50, p. 480
and G_{ij} and τ_{ij} , p. 481)

(a_{ij} , b_{ij} , and b_{ji} are in CC)

$$\log \gamma_1 = x_2^2 \left[\tau_{21} \left(\frac{G_{21}}{x_1 + x_2 G_{21}} \right)^2 + \frac{G_{12} \tau_{12}}{(x_2 + x_1 G_{12})^2} \right]$$

$$\tau_{12} = b_{12}/RT$$

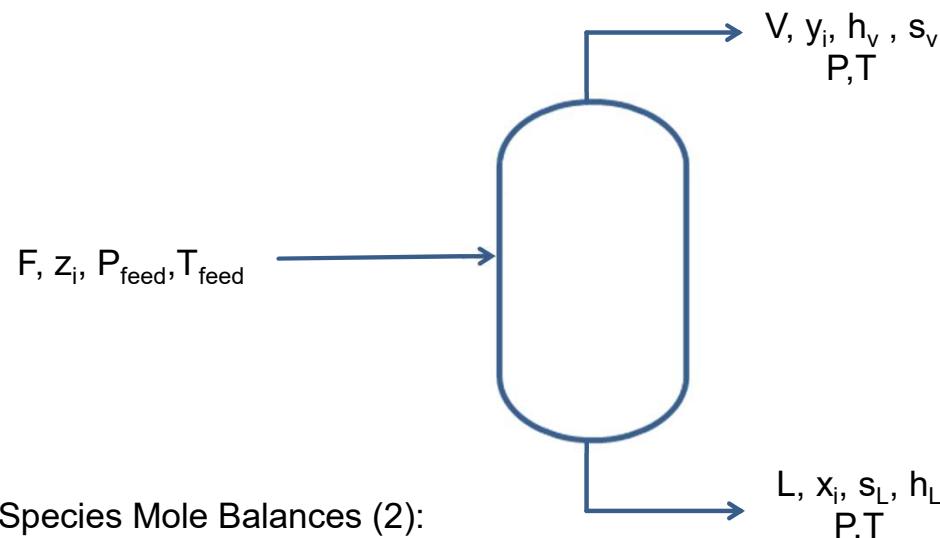
$$\tau_{21} = b_{21}/RT$$

$$\log \gamma_2 = x_1^2 \left[\tau_{12} \left(\frac{G_{12}}{x_2 + x_1 G_{12}} \right)^2 + \frac{G_{21} \tau_{21}}{(x_1 + x_2 G_{21})^2} \right]$$

$$G_{12} = \exp(-\alpha \tau_{12})$$

$$G_{21} = \exp(-\alpha \tau_{21})$$

Application - Rachford-Rice Equations



$$z_i = \psi y_i + (1-\psi)x_i$$

$$\psi = \frac{V}{F} \quad \text{and} \quad 1-\psi = \frac{L}{F}$$

Equilibrium Expressions (2):

$$y_i = K_i \cdot x_i$$

$$K_i = \frac{P_i^{\text{sat}}}{P} \Leftrightarrow K_i = \frac{\gamma_i \cdot P_i^{\text{sat}}}{P}$$

$$P_i^{\text{sat}} = e^{a_i - \frac{b_i}{T + c_i}}$$

Antoine equation - importance of the
Clapeyron equation from lesson 31.

Summation of Mole Fractions (2):

$$0 = \sum_i x_i - \sum_i y_i$$

Raoult's Law reflects ideal solution behavior:

$$y_i P = x_i P_i^{\text{sat}}$$

Raoult's Law is modified with activity for real solution.

Independent variables needed (Duhem): IVN=2.

IVNs can be T,P or T,ψ, or P,ψ.

Example Problem 1

Chapter Problem 13.17

For the system ethyl acetate (1) / n-heptane (2) at 345.15 K,

$$\ln \gamma_1 = 0.95x_2^2 \quad P_1^{\text{sat}} = 79.80 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\ln \gamma_2 = 0.95x_1^2 \quad P_2^{\text{sat}} = 40.50 \text{ kPa}$$

Assume the validity of Eq. 13-19, $y_i P = \gamma_i x_i P_i^{\text{sat}}$ (p. 465)

- (a) Make a bubble point calculation for $T = 343.15 \text{ K}$, $x_1 = 0.05$, and
- (b) Make a dew point calculation for $T = 343.15 \text{ K}$, $y_1 = 0.05$, and

Example Problem 2

A liquid stream containing 0.35 mole fraction acetone and 0.65 mole fraction methanol is flashed at 2 bar (200 kPa) so that 50% of the liquid is evaporated.

- a) Calculate the flash temperature and the compositions of the resulting liquid and vapor, assuming the system follows the ideal solution form of Raoult's Law.
- b) Calculate the flash temperature and the compositions of the resulting liquid and vapor, using eq. 13.19 and assuming activity coefficients for the liquid phase can be obtained from the 1-parameter Margules equations

$$\ln \gamma_1 = 0.64x_2^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \ln \gamma_2 = 0.64x_1^2$$

Questions?