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Physical Chemistry Assignment 1
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1. At 98°F (body temperature) water exists as a gas and a liquid with a vapor pressure of 47 torr. a) calculate the number density and molar density of gaseous water; and b) calculate the packing fraction of gas phase water. The liquid phase has $\eta \approx 0.4$. Assume that a water molecule is spherical with a diameter of 3.0 Å. Packing fraction: $\eta \equiv (\text{volume per particle}) * \text{number of particles per unit volume}$.
2. Write the van der Waals equation for P in terms of the molar density, $\rho = n/V$ and T . Next, apply the conditions of criticality to derive the critical constants a and b in terms of T_c , and ρ_c .
3. At a pressure of 200 bar and a temperature of 200K, the ideal gas equation may not be quantitative for water vapor. Consult your textbook for water's van der Waals a and b parameters and calculate the first non-ideal correction to Z , i.e., $B_2(T)\rho$.
4. Show that

$$\alpha_P = -\left(\frac{\partial \ln \rho}{\partial T}\right)_P \quad (1)$$

$$\kappa_T = \left(\frac{\partial \ln \rho}{\partial P}\right)_T \quad (2)$$

5. Derive α_P , the thermal expansion coefficient, and κ_T , the isothermal compressibility, for a gas obeying

$$Z(\rho, T) = 1 + B_2\rho + B_3\rho^2 \quad (3)$$

where B_2 and B_3 are independent of T .

6. What is the atmospheric pressure (in bar) at an elevation of 10 km (at the so-called tropopause) assuming the barometric distribution law and a lapse rate (decrease in T with altitude) of 7 K/km. At ground level, $T = 300K$ and $P = 1$ bar.

Assignment 1.

$$1. P = 47 \text{ torr} \times \frac{1 \text{ atm}}{760 \text{ torr}} \times \frac{1.01325 \text{ bar}}{1 \text{ atm}} = 0.0627 \text{ bar}$$

$$T = 98^\circ\text{F}, \quad T(^\circ\text{C}) = (98 - 32) \times \frac{100}{180} = 36.7^\circ\text{C}$$

$$PV = nRT, \quad \rho = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{P}{RT}$$

$$\rho = 0.0627 \text{ bar} \times \frac{10^5 \text{ Pa}}{\text{bar}} / [(273.15 + 36.7) \text{ K} \cdot 8.315 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K} \cdot \text{mol}}]$$

a) $\rho = 2.43 \text{ mole/m}^3$ or $\rho = 2.43 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{L}}$

packing fraction

$$\eta = (2.43 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{m}^3}) \times \frac{\pi}{6} \left(3 \times 10^{-10} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{molecule}}\right)^3 / 6.022 \times 10^{23}$$

b) $\eta = \frac{0.998 \times 10^{-5}}{2.07}$ in the vapor phase, $\eta = 0.40$
liquid phase

2. van der Waals

$$P = \frac{\rho RT}{1 - b\rho} - a\rho^2$$

At the critical pt, $\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \rho^2}\right)_T = 0$

$$\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}\right)_T = \frac{RT}{1 - b\rho} + \frac{\rho RT}{(1 - b\rho)^2} b - 2a\rho$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}\right)_T = \frac{RT}{(1 - b\rho)^2} (1 - b\rho + b\rho) - 2a\rho = \frac{RT}{(1 - b\rho)^2} - 2a\rho \quad (1)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \rho^2}\right)_T = \frac{2RT}{(1 - b\rho)^3} b - 2a \quad (2)$$

Multiple Eq(1) by φ and subtract it from Eq(1)

$$\frac{RT}{(1-b\varphi)^2} - 2a\varphi = \left\{ \frac{2RTb\varphi}{(1-b\varphi)^3} - 2a\varphi \right\}$$

$$= \frac{RT}{(1-b\varphi)^2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2b\varphi}{1-b\varphi} \right\} = \frac{RT}{(1-b\varphi)^2} [1 - 3b\varphi] = 0$$

$\therefore 3b\varphi = 1 \text{ and } b\varphi_c = 1/3$

Next substitute $b\varphi = 1/3$ into

$$\frac{RT}{(1-b\varphi)^2} = 2a\varphi \Rightarrow \frac{RT}{(1-\frac{1}{3})^2} = \frac{2a}{3b}$$

$$RT_c = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) \cdot \frac{4}{9} = \frac{8}{27} \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{1}{3p_c}, \quad a = RT_c \left(\frac{27b}{8}\right) = \frac{9}{8} \frac{RT_c}{p_c}$$

3.

For H_2O , $a = 5.536 \frac{L^2 \cdot bar}{mol^2}$

$$b = 0.030 \frac{L}{mol} (L/mol)$$

$$B_2P = \left(b - \frac{a}{RT} \right) \frac{P}{RT} = \left[0.030 - \frac{5.536}{(0.08314 \frac{L \cdot bar}{mol \cdot K})(200K)} \right]$$

$$\times \left[\frac{200 bar}{(0.08314 \frac{L \cdot bar}{mol \cdot K}) 200K} \right]$$

$$B_2P = -3.64$$

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② these conditions.

$$4. \quad \alpha_p = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = \left(\frac{\partial \ln V}{\partial T} \right)_p = - \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial T} \right)_p$$

$$\text{since } mV = m(n/g) = \ln n - \ln p$$

Likewise,

$$k_T = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_T = - \left(\frac{\partial \ln V}{\partial P} \right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial P} \right)_T$$

5.

$$Z = 1 + B_2 P + B_3 P^2, \quad P = PRT \cdot Z = RT \{ 1 + B_2 P^2 + B_3 P^3 \}$$

$$dP = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_P dT + \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial P} \right)_T dT = RT [1 + 2B_2 P + 3B_3 P^2] dP \\ + RP [1 + B_2 P + B_3 P^2] dT$$

$$\alpha_P = -\frac{1}{P} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_P = \frac{1}{P} \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial P} \right)_T \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_P}_{\text{cyclic rule}} = \frac{RP [1 + B_2 P + B_3 P^2]}{P \cdot RT [1 + 2B_2 P + 3B_3 P^2]}$$

$$\alpha_P = \frac{1}{T} \frac{[1 + B_2 P + B_3 P^2]}{[1 + 2B_2 P + 3B_3 P^2]}$$

next

$$k_T = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial P} \right)_T = \frac{1}{P} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial P} \right)_T = \frac{1}{P \cdot RT [1 + 2B_2 P + 3B_3 P^2]}$$

$$k_T = \frac{1}{P [1 + 2B_2 P + 3B_3 P^2]}$$

6. The barometric law is

$$P = P_0 \exp(-mg h/RT)$$

$$M = 29 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mole}} \times \frac{1000}{10^3 \text{g}} =$$

$$h = 10 \text{ km} = 10^4 \text{ m}, T = 300 \text{ K} - \frac{7 \text{ K}}{\text{km}} \times 10 \text{ km}$$
$$T = 230 \text{ K}$$

$$R = 8.315 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K} \cdot \text{mol}}$$

$$P = 1 \text{ bar} \times \exp\left(-\frac{29 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{mol}} \cdot 9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot 10^4 \text{ m}}{(230 \text{ K}) (8.315 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K} \cdot \text{mol}})}\right)$$

$$P \approx 0.226 \text{ bar}$$