

Vapor-Liquid Critical Properties of Elements and Compounds

Introduction

The aim is to produce compilations of critically evaluated vapour-liquid values for critical temperature, $T_{\rm c}$, critical pressure, $p_{\rm c}$ and critical volume $V_{\rm c}$ for elements and compounds.

- these are important parameters for reduction of data in universal corresponding-states descriptions of thermodynamic and transport properties of fluids
- they are used in the estimation of properties of fluids in chemical engineering industry

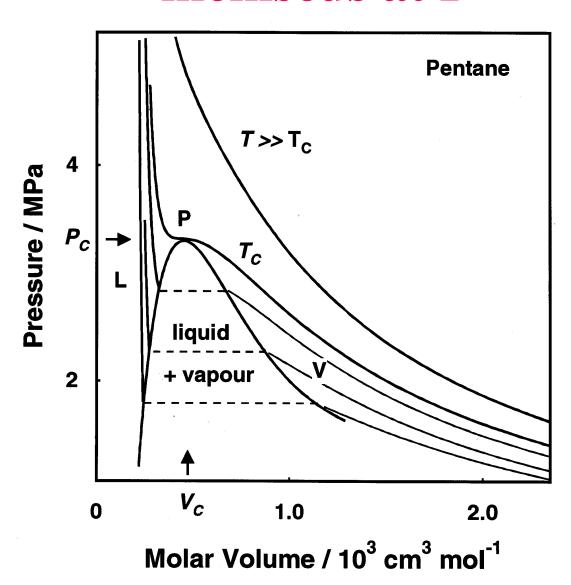
Why IUPAC?

- internationally-agreed values are needed, with an assessment of uncertainties
- an international team of experts in this area is necessary to critically evaluate all experimental values
- the IUPAC stamp of approval aids global acceptance of the recommendations

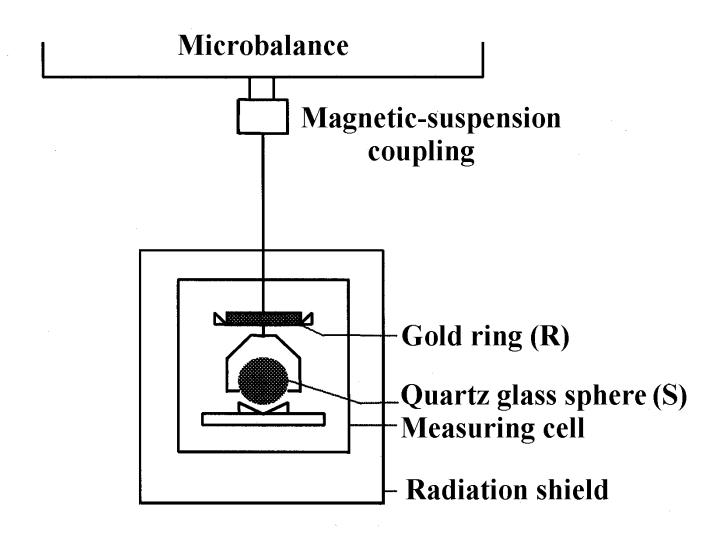
Methods of Critical Point Determination

- visual in glass tube
- visual in cell with windows
- non-visual *pVT* measurements
- p_c from vapour pressure measurements
- orthobaric density measurements
- from other physical properties

Visual observation of disappearing meniscus at P



Modern *pVT* apparatus Density balance: R. Kleinrahm & W. Wagner



Density $\rho = (\Delta F / g) / (V_S - V_R)$

Sample recommendations

Hexane

Methanol

$$T_{\rm c}$$
 / K

$$507.6 \pm 0.2$$

$$512.5 \pm 0.2$$

$$p_{\rm c}$$
 / MPa

$$3.025 \pm 0.02$$

$$8.084 \pm 0.02$$

$$V_c$$
 / cm³ mol⁻¹

$$368 \pm 5$$

$$117 \pm 1$$

Publications - J. Chem. Eng. Data

- 1 An introductory survey
- 2 Normal alkanes
- 3 Aromatic hydrocarbons
- 4 Aliphatic alkanols
- 5 Branched alkanes and cycloalkanes
- 6 Unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbons
- 7 Oxygen compounds other than alkanols and cycloalkanols

[for details : see the IUPAC website]

In press and in course of preparation

- Organic sulfur, silicon and tin compounds
- Nitrogen-containing compounds
- Halogen-containing compounds
- Miscellaneous compounds

Elements and inorganic compounds have been covered by J.F. Mathews, *Chem. Rev.* 1972 **72** 71-100.

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