

Exam III Solutions
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16 points

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1 point for partial credit, if work is shown,
2 points for correct numerical value of solution, if work is shown

Problem 1. (8 points)

For an ideal mixture, the volume of the mixture, V_{mix} , is given by the sum of the pure component molar volumes, V_i , weighted by the mole fraction, x_i . Similarly, the enthalpy of the mixture, H_{mix} , is given by the sum of the pure component enthalpies, H_i , weighted by the mole fraction. As a reminder, the sum of the mole fractions is unity.

$$V_{mix} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} x_i V_i \quad H_{mix} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} x_i H_i \quad 1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} x_i$$

where n_c is the number of components. Now consider a three component ideal mixture ($n_c = 3$) with the following pure component properties and mixture properties.

component	A	B	C	mixture
molar volume (liter/mol)	19	13	11	15.0
enthalpy (kJ/mol)	42	65	51	52.0

- (a) Is this system of algebraic equations linear or nonlinear? (2 pts)
(b) Determine the composition of this mixture. Show reasoning and method. (6 pts)

Solution:

This is a set of linear algebraic equations, which can be written as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} x_A V_A + x_B V_B + x_C V_C &= V_{mix} \\ x_A H_A + x_B H_B + x_C H_C &= H_{mix} \\ x_A + x_B + x_C &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

This set of linear algebraic equations can be written in matrix form as

$$\underline{A}\underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

$$\text{where } \underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} V_A & V_B & V_C \\ H_A & H_B & H_C \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{mix} \\ H_{mix} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \\ x_C \end{bmatrix}.$$

To solve this problem, I wrote the following Matlab script, xm03p01_f21.m.

```
clear all;
A = [19.0    13.0    11.0
     42.0    65.0    51.0
      1.0     1.0     1.0];
b = [15.0
     52.0]
```

```
1.0];  
detA = det(A)  
invA = inv(A)  
x = invA*b
```

At the command line prompt, I executed the script with the command

```
>> xm03p01_f21
```

which generated the following output

```
detA = 130.0000  
  
invA =  
    0.1077    -0.0154    -0.4000  
    0.0692     0.0615    -3.9000  
   -0.1769    -0.0462     5.3000  
  
x =  
    0.4154  
    0.3385  
    0.2462
```

Therefore the composition of the mixture is given by

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \\ x_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4154 \\ 0.3385 \\ 0.2462 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 2. (8 points)

Consider a non-ideal mixture in which the enthalpy of the mixture is given by the expression

$$H_{mix} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} \sum_{j \geq i}^{n_c} (2 - \delta_{ij}) \Omega_{ij} x_i x_j$$

where δ_{ij} is the Kronecker delta function and is 1 for $i = j$ and 0 for $i \neq j$. For a three-component mixture, this equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} H_{mix} = & \Omega_{AA} x_A x_A + 2\Omega_{AB} x_A x_B + 2\Omega_{AC} x_A x_C \\ & + \Omega_{BB} x_B x_B + 2\Omega_{BC} x_B x_C \\ & + \Omega_{CC} x_C x_C \end{aligned}$$

The expressions for the molar volume and sum of the mole fractions remain unchanged from problem 1.

The mixing parameters, $\Omega_{ij} = \sqrt{H_i H_j}$, where the pure component enthalpies are given in problem 1. The same numerical values of the mixture properties are observed as those in the problem 1.

- (a) Is this system of algebraic equations linear or nonlinear? (2 pts)
 (b) Determine the composition of this mixture. Show reasoning and method. (6 pts)

Solution:

This is a set of non-linear algebraic equations, which can be written as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_A, x_B, x_C, x_D) &= x_A V_A + x_B V_B + x_C V_C - V_{mix} \\ f_2(x_A, x_B, x_C, x_D) &= x_A + x_B + x_C - 1 \\ f_3(x_A, x_B, x_C, x_D) &= \Omega_{AA} x_A x_A + 2\Omega_{AB} x_A x_B + 2\Omega_{AC} x_A x_C \\ &\quad + \Omega_{BB} x_B x_B + 2\Omega_{BC} x_B x_C \\ &\quad + \Omega_{CC} x_C x_C - H_{mix} \end{aligned}$$

I will solve this using the Newton Raphson Method with Numerical Approximations to the Derivatives, as implemented in the code `nrndn.m`.

This code requires that I input my system of nonlinear algebraic equations in the function, `funkeval.m`.

```
function f = funkeval(x)
%
% these two lines force a column vector of length n
%
n = max(size(x));
f = zeros(n,1);
%
% enter the functions here
%
VA = 19.0;
VB = 13.0;
VC = 11.0;
Vmix = 15.0;
HA = 42.0;
HB = 65.0;
HC = 51.0;
omega_AA = sqrt(HA*HA);
```

```

omega_AB = sqrt(HA*HB);
omega_AC = sqrt(HA*HC);
omega_BB = sqrt(HB*HB);
omega_BC = sqrt(HB*HC);
omega_CC = sqrt(HC*HC);
Hmix = 52.0;
f(1) = VA*x(1) + VB*x(2) + VC*x(3) - Vmix;
f(2) = x(1) + x(2) + x(3) - 1.0;
f(3) = omega_AA*x(1)*x(1) + 2*omega_AB*x(1)*x(2) + 2*omega_AC*x(1)*x(3) ...
      + omega_BB*x(2)*x(2) + 2*omega_BC*x(2)*x(3) ...
      + omega_CC*x(3)*x(3) - Hmix;

```

The Newton Raphson method requires an initial guess. I will use the solution from problem 1 as my initial guess. I want the tolerance to be 1.0^{-6} . I set the print flag to 1. At the command line prompt, I executed the following commands:

```

clear all;
x0 = [0.4154; 0.3385; 0.2462];
tol = 1.0e-6;
iprint = 1;
[x,err,f] = nrndn(x0,tol,iprint)

```

This command provided the following output.

```

iter =    1, err = 8.90e-02 f = 1.43e+00
iter =    2, err = 1.39e-03 f = 1.71e-02
iter =    3, err = 1.97e-07 f = 2.42e-06

x =
    0.4079
    0.3683
    0.2237

err = 1.9696e-07

f = 2.4200e-06

```

Because the error is less than the specified tolerance, the Newton Raphson method has converged. Therefore the composition of the mixture is given by

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \\ x_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4079 \\ 0.3683 \\ 0.2237 \end{bmatrix}$$

This solution is not very sensitive to the initial guess. All of the following initial guesses converged to this solution.

```

x0 = [1.0/3.0; 1.0/3.0; 1.0/3.0];
x0 = [0.4154; 0.3385; 0.2462];
x0 = [0.5; 0.25; 0.25];
x0 = [0.25; 0.5; 0.25];
x0 = [0.25; 0.25; 0.5];

```