

3-7 COMPRESSIBILITY FACTOR Z – deviation from ideal-gas

Ideal Gas

$$l = \frac{Pv_{i.g.}}{RT}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$v_{i.g.} = \frac{RT}{P}$$

Compressibility factor

$$Z = \frac{Pv}{RT}$$

for real gas

$\Rightarrow$

$$v = Z \frac{RT}{P} = Z \cdot v_{i.g.} \quad (3-19)$$

Reduced properties

$$T_R = \frac{T [K]}{T_{cr} [K]}$$

reduced temperature

(3-20)

$$P_R = \frac{P}{P_{cr}}$$

reduced pressure

$$v_R = \frac{v}{R \frac{T_{cr}}{P_{cr}}}$$

pseudo-reduced specific volume

(3-21)

Principle
of
corresponding
states

$$Z(T_R, P_R)$$

is the same for all gases

$$Z(v_R, P_R)$$

is the same for all gases

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Figure 3-49 Comparison of Z factors

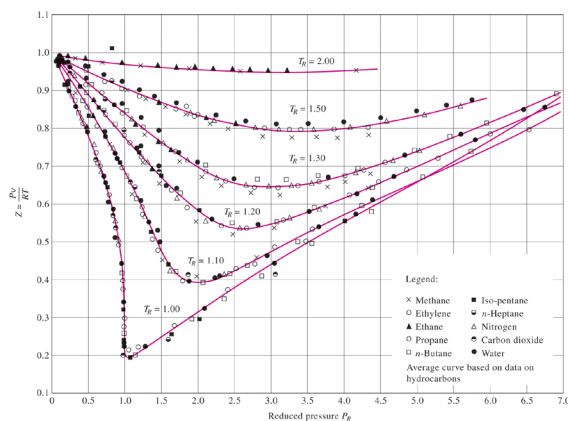
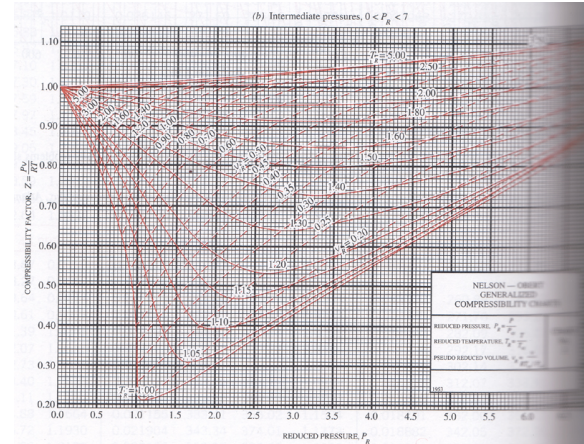


Table A-15 Generalized compressibility chart



Example 3-11

Find specific volume of R-134a at $P = 1.0 \text{ MPa}$ and $T = 50^\circ \text{C} = 273.15 \text{ K}$ (superheated vapor)

Table A-1

$$P_{cr} = 4.059 \text{ MPa}, T_{cr} = 374.2 \text{ K}, R = 0.08149 \left[\frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}} \right]$$

Table A-13

$$v_{\text{exact}} = 0.021796 \quad \text{Exact value}$$

Ideal gas

$$v_{i.g.} = \frac{RT}{P} = \frac{(0.08149)(323)}{(1000)} = 0.026333 \quad \text{Error: } 20.8 \%$$

Z-factor

$$T_R = \frac{T}{T_{cr}} = \frac{(273.15)}{(374.2)} = 0.863, P_R = \frac{P}{P_{cr}} = \frac{(1)}{(4.059)} = 0.246 \xrightarrow{A-15} Z \approx 0.85$$

$$v = Z \cdot v_{i.g.} = (0.85)(0.026333) = 0.02238305 \quad \text{Error: } 2.7 \%$$