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Day 1 (11) - Gaseous state

Topic - Relation b/w Critical-Constant
& Vanderwaal-Constant.

Critical-Constant (P_c, V_c & T_c) in terms
of Vanderwaal-Constant (a & b).

Vanderwaal-Equation of State for one
mole of gas is expressed as

$$\left(P + \frac{a}{V^2}\right)(V-b) = RT$$

By multiplication it gives

$$PV + \frac{a}{V} - Pb - \frac{ab}{V^2} = RT$$

Multiplying by V^2 we get-

$$PV^3 + aV - PbV^2 - ab = RTV^2$$

Dividing all by P , it becomes

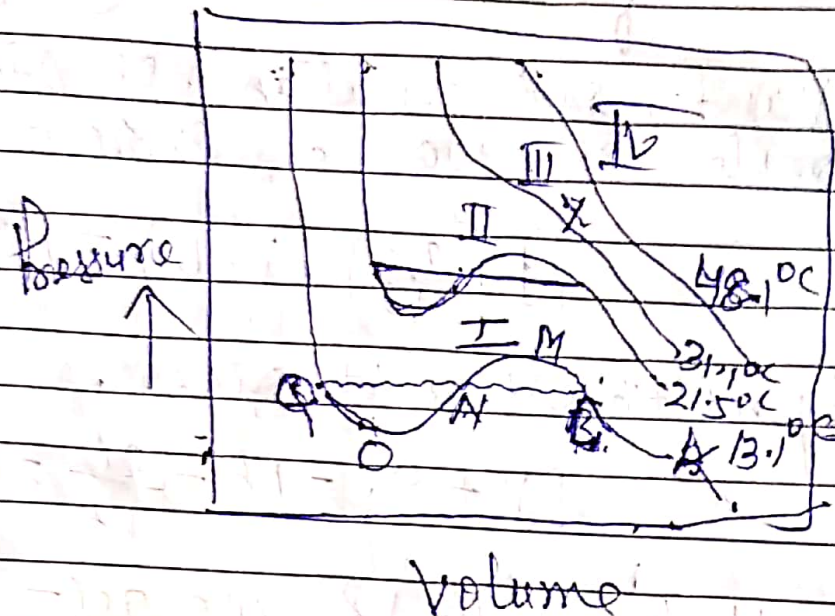
$$V^3 + \frac{a}{P}V - bV^2 - \frac{ab}{P} = \frac{RT}{P}V^2$$

Rearranging in decreasing order of V , we get-

$$V^3 - \left(b + \frac{RT}{P}\right)V^2 + \frac{a}{P}V - \frac{ab}{P} = 0$$

This is a cubic equation in the variable
 V & for any single set of the values
of P and T , there should be three values
of V . They all of which may be real or
2 of them are imaginary.

A plot of P - V -Isotherm, then according to above cubic-equation, a curve similar to I is obtained.



It was observed that for certain pressure, there are three values of V indicated on I & II. As

As the temp increases the isotherm moves up. At position II, the three values of V close to each other. At stage-III, the three values become identical as at point X.

At stage-IV, there is only one real value of V corresponding to pressure (applied). The isotherms plotted in the above are based on theoretical calculation of V corresponding to different value of P obtained by using Vanderwaal-Equation. The isotherm of CO_2

The isotherm for CO_2 given obtained by Andrews was close to the van der Waals curve. The only difference that a vertical position LM/OB was shifted to horizontal at P_c .

Carefully observed, observed that small portion corresponding to the curve LM & OB can be shifted to horizontal also. This represents super-saturated vapour & super-heated liquid respectively.

At Critical-Temp (T_c) the three-values of V become identical. Such value of V represents critical volume (V_c)

$$\text{Thus } V = V_c$$

$$\text{or } (V - V_c) = 0$$

$$\text{or } (V - V_c)^3 = 0$$

By expanding the above eqn -

$$V^3 - 3V_c V^2 + 3V_c^2 V - V_c^3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Van der Waals equation is expanded as follows

$$V^3 - \left(b + \frac{RT}{P}\right)V^2 + \frac{a}{P}V - \frac{a^2}{P} = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

At the critical-point, the term P/T may be replaced by P_c/T_c in eqn (2)

$$V^3 - \left(b + \frac{RT_c}{P_c}\right)V^2 + \frac{a}{P_c}V - \frac{a^2}{P_c} = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

At critical-point both equation (1) & (3) become identical.

By equating the Co-efficient of terms of similar powers of V . We get the following relation:

$$3V_c = b + \frac{R T_c}{P_c} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$3V_c^2 = \frac{a}{P_c} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$V_c^3 = \frac{ab}{P_c} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Dividing eqn (6) by eqn (5)

$$\frac{V_c^3}{3V_c^2} = \frac{a}{P_c} \times \frac{P_c}{ab}$$

$$\text{Thus } \boxed{V_c = 3b} \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Putting the value of V_c in eqn (5)

$$3 \times (3b)^2 = \frac{a}{P_c}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{P_c = \frac{a}{27b^2}} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Again Putting the value of P_c & V_c in eqn (4)

$$3 \times 3b = b + \frac{R T_c}{\frac{a}{27b^2}} \times 27b^2$$

$$9b - b = R T_c \times 27b^2$$

$$8b = R T_c \times 27b^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{T_c = \frac{80}{27Rb}} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$