

LECTURE

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# CHE 415

# Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics II

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# Maxwell Equations



# Learning Objectives for today's lecture

- At the end of this week's lecture, you should be able to:
  - Develop fundamental relations between commonly encountered thermodynamic properties
  - Express the properties that cannot be measured directly in terms of easily measurable properties.



# Thermodynamic Property Relations for Open System

- For a single phase open system,

$$nU = n(nS, nV, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_i, \dots),$$

where  $n_i$  is the no. of moles of the chemical species, since materials may be added or taken from the system.

- The total differential of  $nU$  for the open system is therefore given by:

$$d(nU) = \left[ \frac{\partial(nU)}{\partial(nS)} \right]_{nV,n} d(nS) + \left[ \frac{\partial(nU)}{\partial(nV)} \right]_{nS,n} d(nV) + \sum \left[ \left[ \frac{\partial(nU)}{\partial(n_i)} \right]_{nS,nVn_j} \right] dn_i \quad 25$$

where the summation is over all species present in the system and subscript  $n_j$  indicates that all mole numbers except the  $i$ th are held constant

- Setting  $\mu = \left[ \frac{\partial(nU)}{\partial(n_i)} \right]_{nS,nVn_j}$

- By direct substitution of [eqns.17 – 20](#) in eqn. 25, we have

$$d(nU) = Td(nS) - Pd(nV) + \sum[\mu_i]dn_i \quad 26$$

- Eqn.26 is the fundamental property relation for a single phase fluid system, applicable to system of constant or variable mass and constant or variable composition.



# Relationships among the Thermodynamic Properties

- For a simple case of  $n = 1$ , Eqn. 26 becomes

$$dU = TdS - PdV + \sum[\mu_i]dn_i \quad 27$$

- Eqn.27 arrived at by purely formal manipulations, is **the Euler equation**, an equation that relates seven thermodynamic variables
- The quantity  $\mu_i$  is called the chemical potential of component  $i$ , and it plays a vital role in phase and chemical equilibria.
- Similar relations could be derived for the other energy properties (i.e.  $H$ ,  $A$ , and  $G$ ) of an open system homogeneous fluid.

## CLASS ACTIVITY 1

- Let's derive the Euler equation for the other energy properties of a fluid in an open system, i.e. for  $H$ ,  $A$  and  $G$ . What would they look like. Bring out the similarities between them.



# Maxwell Equation

- The equations that relate the partial derivatives of properties  $P$ ,  $v$ ,  $T$ , and  $s$  of a simple compressible system to each other are called the **Maxwell relations**.
- For a 1 mole homogenous fluid of constant composition (i.e.  $n=1$ ), we already established their fundamental property relation as

$$dU = TdS - PdV \quad 28$$

$$dH = TdS + VdP \quad 29$$

$$dA = -PdV - SdT \quad 30$$

$$dG = VdP - SdT \quad 31$$

- The total differentials of Eqns. 28 – 31 can also be given by

$$dU = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_V dS + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_S dV$$

$$dH = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S}\right)_P dS + \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial P}\right)_S dP$$

$$dA = \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial V}\right)_T dV + \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial T}\right)_V dT$$

$$dG = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_T dP + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P dT$$

Term-by term comparison of the pairs of Equation for  $dU$ ,  $dH$ ,  $dA$  and  $dG$  shows that

# Maxwell Equation

$$\square \quad \left[ \frac{\partial(U)}{\partial(S)} \right]_V = \left[ \frac{\partial(H)}{\partial(S)} \right]_P = T$$

$$\text{and} \quad \left[ \frac{\partial(U)}{\partial(V)} \right]_S = \left[ \frac{\partial(A)}{\partial(V)} \right]_T = -P$$

$$\text{and} \quad \left[ \frac{\partial(H)}{\partial P} \right]_S = \left[ \frac{\partial(G)}{\partial P} \right]_T = V$$

$$\text{and} \quad \left[ \frac{\partial(A)}{\partial T} \right]_V = \left[ \frac{\partial(G)}{\partial T} \right]_P = -S$$

Applying the reciprocating criterion for an exact differential equation:

If  $z = f(x,y)$ , then the total differential of  $z$  is

$$dz = \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)_y dx + \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)_x dy$$

$$\text{Or} \quad dz = Mdx + Ndy \quad 32$$

$$\text{Where} \quad M = \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)_y \quad \text{and} \quad N = \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)_x$$

Further differentiation of  $M$  and  $N$  yields,

$$\left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right)_x = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right)_y = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$$

$$\text{Thus,} \quad \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right)_x = \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right)_y \quad 33$$



# Maxwell Equation

- It is known that when the differential expression on the RHS of an equation of the form of Eqn.32 satisfies Eqn.33, it is said to be exact, and z can be expressed as a function of x and y.
- Application of Eqn.33 to eqns.28 – 31 (which are exact differential expressions), yields **the Maxwell Equations**.

$$\square \quad \left[ \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right]_S = - \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial S} \right]_V \quad 34$$

and

$$\left[ \frac{\partial T}{\partial P} \right]_S = \left[ \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \right]_P \quad 35$$

and

$$\left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right]_V = \left[ \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right]_T \quad 36$$

and

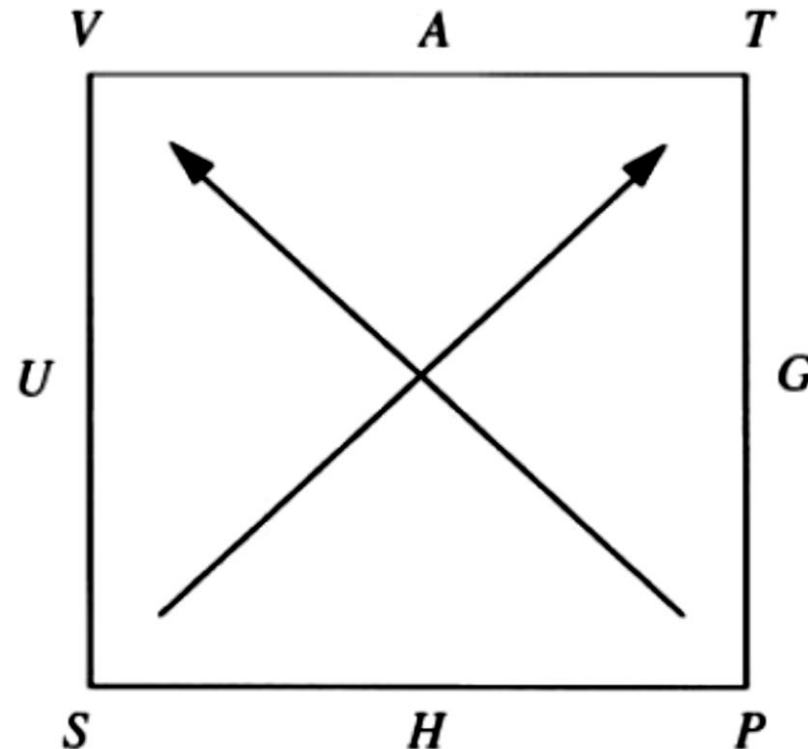
$$\left[ \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right]_P = - \left[ \frac{\partial S}{\partial P} \right]_T \quad 37$$

- *Maxwell's equations* are useful
  - ✓ in replacing unmeasurable quantities appearing in thermodynamic equations by measurable quantities.
  - ✓ Using these relations, the partial derivatives of entropy with respect to pressure and volume are expressed as derivatives possessing easily identifiable physical meaning.

# Maxwell Equations and Mnemonic Diagram

## CLASS ACTIVITY 2

Let's show how the Maxwell Equation is arrived from first principle.



Mnemonic Diagram

- ✓ The sides of the squares are labelled with the energy properties in alphabetical order ( $A$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ , and  $U$ ) starting with the topside.
- ✓ The corners are labelled with the canonical variables of the energy properties in such a way that each energy property is flanked by its canonical variables.





# Maxwell Equations and Mnemonic Diagram

The Mnemonic diagram can be used as a convenient tool for writing the differential equations for the energy properties as well as the Maxwell's equations.

- ❑ The differential equations contain the differentials of its natural variables and their coefficients.
- ❑ The differentials are obtained from the variables adjacent to the energy property under consideration, and the coefficients are obtained from the variables that are diametrically opposite to these variables.
- ❑ The sign of the coefficient is to be decided from the direction in which the arrows are pointing.
  - ✓ If the arrow is pointing away from the canonical variable, the coefficient is positive and
  - ✓ if the arrow is pointing towards the canonical variable, the coefficient is negative.



# Maxwell Equations and Mnemonic Diagram

- ❑ To get Maxwell's equations from the Mnemonic diagram.
- ❑ Consider the topside of the square.
  - ✓ The partial derivative is formed by the canonical variables e.g.  $(\partial T/\partial V)$ .
  - ✓ The suffix to be used is the variable that is diametrically opposite to the first variable, i.e.  $S$ . Yielding  $(\partial T/\partial V)_S$ .
  - ✓ The other derivative is obtained from the opposite side of the square in a similar way, i.e.  $(\partial P/\partial S)_V$ .
  - ✓ Since the direction of arrows being opposite, i.e. towards  $T$  and away from  $P$ , the sign of the derivatives will be opposite.

## CLASS ACTIVITY 3

Let's do some examples using the [Mnemonic Diagram](#) to write the differential equations for the energy properties as well as derive the Maxwell's equations for a 1 mole homogenous fluid of constant composition..



**THANK YOU  
FOR  
YOUR  
ATTENTION!  
ANY QUESTIONS?**