

**Meteo 431 Atmospheric Thermodynamics Spring 2002****Problem set # 8**

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due: 15 April 2002

1. Assuming Raoult's law applies, how much salt would you have to add to 4 liters of water in order to bring the boiling temperature of the water up to  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ ? Note that we must multiply the solute mixing ratio,  $c$ , by 2 because salt dissociates into chlorine and sodium ions.
2. B&A, Chapter 5, #34.
3. B&A, Chapter 5, #37. (hint:  $e$  falls proportional to the pressure, while  $e_s$  falls because  $T$  drops in adiabatic expansion. Write a computer program to find the altitude at which a fog does not form.)
4. B&A, Chapter 5, #50. (hint: Liquid water is used. To get sensitivity, consider equation 5.48.)
5. B&A, Chapter 5, #55.

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①  $P = e = 830 \text{ hPa}$   
 $e_s(100) = 1000 \text{ hPa}$

$$e = e_s(1 - 2\chi) \Rightarrow \chi = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{e}{e_s}\right)$$

but  $\chi = \frac{N_{\text{NaCl}}}{N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + N_{\text{NaCl}}} \Rightarrow N_{\text{NaCl}} = \frac{\chi}{1-\chi} N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1-e/e_s)}{1-\frac{1}{2}(1-e/e_s)} N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$   
 $= \frac{(1-e/e_s)}{(1+e/e_s)} N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$

But  $M_{\text{NaCl}} = M_{\text{NaCl}} N_{\text{NaCl}} = M_{\text{NaCl}} N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \frac{(1-e/e_s)}{(1+e/e_s)}$   
↑ mass per mole

and

$$N_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = \frac{P_e V}{M_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}}$$

so, putting it all together,  $M_{\text{NaCl}} = M_{\text{NaCl}} \cdot \frac{P_e V}{M_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} \cdot \frac{(1-e/e_s)}{(1+e/e_s)}$

$$M_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.055 \text{ kg mole}^{-1}$$

$$M_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.055 \cdot \frac{1000 \cdot 4 \times 10^{-3}}{0.018} \frac{(1-830/1000)}{(1+830/1000)} = 1.1 \text{ kg (2.4 lb)}$$

This is a lot of salt!

② B+A #34

a)  $\Delta E = M_e \Delta v = (0.5)(2.5 \times 10^6) = 1.25 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$

b)  $C_b \Delta T = \Delta E \Rightarrow \Delta T = \frac{\Delta E}{C_b} = \Delta E / C_b M$   
 $\Delta T = \frac{1.25 \times 10^6}{4218.80} = 3.7^\circ\text{C}$

Body T:  $98.6^\circ\text{F}$  ( $37^\circ\text{C}$ ).

Drops to  $37 - 3.7 \sim 33^\circ\text{C}$

Take a raincoat.

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③ B&A Ch 5, 37

Rapid decompression (adiabatic) means  $T_f = T_i \left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right)^{286}$

$$P_f = 300 \text{ hPa}$$

$$P_i = 840 \text{ hPa}$$

$$T_i = 293$$

$$e_i = RH e_s(T_i)$$

$$e_f = \frac{P_f}{P_i} RH e_s(T_i)$$

$$RH_f = \frac{e_f}{e_{s_f}} \approx \frac{\left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right) RH_i e_s(T_i)}{e_s(T_i) \left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right)^{286}}$$

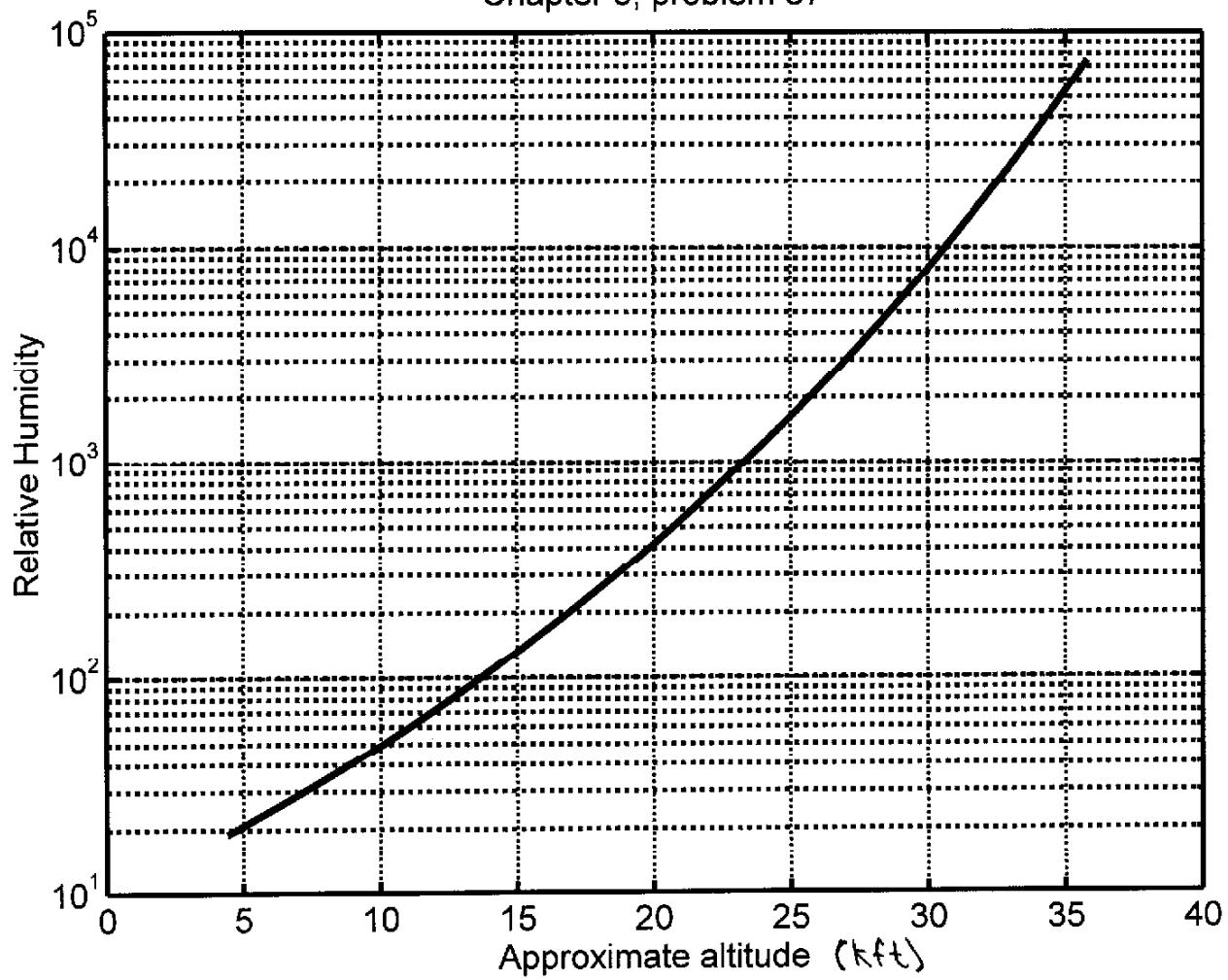
$$RH_f = \frac{(300/840)(0.20)(23.6)}{e_s(293)(300/840)^{286}} = \frac{1.68}{e_s(210)} = \frac{1.68}{.0035} > 100\%$$

Yes, a fog will form.

The flight altitude below which a fog will not form can be found from the following program and diagram. When  $RH < 10^2$  (100%), a fog will not form. This altitude is about 13,000 ft.

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% c5p37.m solves the non-linear equation to determine the possibility of a ↵
% fog forming
% during rapid decompression.
%
pi = 840;
Ti = 293;
ri = 0.20;
%
for i = 1:650
    p(i)=200 + i;
end
esi = 6.11*exp((6808*(1/273-1/Ti))-5.09*log(Ti/273));
Tf = Ti*(p/pi).^286;
%
ef = (p/pi)*ri*esi;
esf = 6.11*exp((6808*(1/273-1./Tf))-5.09.*log(Tf/273));
%
rf = 100*ef./esf;
%
gamma = 9.8/1000;
To = 290;
Rd = 287;
g = 9.8;
%
po = 1000;
%
z = (To/gamma)*(1-(p/po).^(Rd*gamma/g))/305;
%
semilogy(z,rf)
grid
xlabel('Approximate altitude')
ylabel('Relative Humidity')
title('Chapter 5, problem 37')
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Chapter 5, problem 37



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④ B&A, Ch 5, #50.

Use boiling point of water to determine  $p$ , since

$P = e_s(T_b)$ . Consider the Clausius Clapeyron Equation.

$$de_s = \frac{lv}{R_v} \frac{e_s}{T^2} dT = dp$$

but  $e_s \sim 1000 \text{ hPa}$  and  $T \sim T_b \sim 373$

$$\therefore de_s = \frac{2.5 \times 10^4}{461} \frac{(1000)}{(373)^2} (0.1) \sim 4 \text{ hPa.}$$

$dp \sim 4 \text{ hPa}$ . The precision of pressure measurement  
this way is about 4 hPa.

⑤ B&A, Ch 5, #55.

$$\frac{Q}{A} = \frac{lv \rho v dz}{A dt} = lv \rho v \frac{dz}{dt}$$

$$Q/A = (1365/3) \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{(1365/3)}{2.5 \times 10^6 \cdot 1000} = 2 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = (2 \times 10^{-7}) \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot \frac{1000 \text{ mm}}{\text{m}} \cdot \frac{3600 \text{ s}}{\text{hr}} = 0.66 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{hr}}$$

Net daytime evaporation is  $\sim 3000 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{yr}} \sim .7 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{hr}}$

(Net evaporation is  $\sim 1000 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{yr}}$ )

The two answers are close.