14-14 Propane is burned with 75 percent excess air during a combustion process. The AF ratio is to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Combustion is complete. 2 The combustion products contain CO_2 , H_2O , O_2 , and N_2 only.

Properties The molar masses of C, H₂, and air are 12 kg/kmol, 2 kg/kmol, and 29 kg/kmol, respectively (Table A-1).

Analysis The combustion equation in this case can be written as

$$C_{3}H_{8} + 1.75a_{th}[O_{2} + 3.76N_{2}] \longrightarrow 3CO_{2} + 4H_{2}O + 0.75a_{th}O_{2} + (1.75 \times 3.76)a_{th}N_{2}$$

where a_{th} is the stoichiometric coefficient for air. We have automatically accounted for the 75% excess air by using the factor $1.75a_{\rm th}$ instead of a_{th} for air. The stoichiometric amount of oxygen $(a_{\rm th}O_2)$ will be used to oxidize the fuel, and the remaining excess amount $(0.75a_{th}O_2)$ will appear in the products as free oxygen. The coefficient a_{th} is determined from the O₂ balance,

O₂ balance: $1.75a_{\text{th}} = 3 + 2 + 0.75a_{\text{th}} \longrightarrow a_{\text{th}} = 5$

 $C_{3}H_{8} + 8.75[O_{2} + 3.76N_{2}] \longrightarrow 3CO_{2} + 4H_{2}O + 3.75O_{2} + 32.9N_{2}$ Substituting,

The air-fuel ratio is determined by taking the ratio of the mass of the air to the mass of the fuel,

$$AF = \frac{m_{air}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{(8.75 \times 4.76 \text{ kmol})(29 \text{ kg/kmol})}{(3 \text{ kmol})(12 \text{ kg/kmol}) + (4 \text{ kmol})(2 \text{ kg/kmol})} = 27.5 \text{ kgair/kgfuel}$$

14-15 Acetylene is burned with the stoichiometric amount of air during a combustion process. The AF ratio is to be determined on a mass and on a mole basis.

Assumptions 1 Combustion is complete. 2 The combustion products contain CO_2 , H_2O , and N_2 only.

Properties The molar masses of C, H₂, and air are 12 kg/kmol, 2 kg/kmol, and 29 kg/kmol, respectively (Table A-1).

Analysis This is a theoretical combustion process since C_2H_2 is burned completely with stoichiometric amount of air. The stoichiometric combustion equation of C₂H₂ is

$$C_{2}H_{2} + a_{th}[O_{2} + 3.76N_{2}] \longrightarrow 2CO_{2} + H_{2}O + 3.76a_{th}N_{2} \qquad C_{2}H_{2}$$

$$O_{2} \text{ balance:} \qquad a_{th} = 2 + 0.5 \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad a_{th} = 2.5$$
Substituting,
$$100\% \qquad \text{theoretical air}$$

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$$C_2H_2 + 2.5[O_2 + 3.76N_2] \longrightarrow 2CO_2 + H_2O + 9.4N_2$$

The air-fuel ratio is determined by taking the ratio of the mass of the air to the mass of the fuel,

$$AF = \frac{m_{air}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{(2.5 \times 4.76 \text{kmol})(29 \text{kg/kmol})}{(2 \text{kmol})(12 \text{kg/kmol}) + (1 \text{kmol})(2 \text{kg/kmol})} = 13.3 \text{ kgair/kgfuel}$$

On a mole basis, the air-fuel ratio is expressed as the ratio of the mole numbers of the air to the mole numbers of the fuel,

$$AF = \frac{m_{air}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{2.5 \times 4.76 \text{ kmol}}{1 \text{ kmol fuel}} = 11.9 \text{ kmol air / kmol fuel}$$

14-19 Octane is burned with 250 percent theoretical air during a combustion process. The AF ratio and the dew-pint temperature of the products are to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Combustion is complete. 2 The combustion products contain CO_2 , H_2O , O_2 , and N_2 only. 3 Combustion gases are ideal gases.

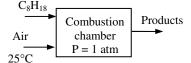
Properties The molar masses of C, H₂, and air are 12 kg/kmol, 2 kg/kmol, and 29 kg/kmol, respectively (Table A-1).

Analysis (a) The combustion equation in this case can be written as

$$C_8H_{18} + 2.5a_{th}[O_2 + 3.76N_2] \longrightarrow 8CO_2 + 9H_2O + 1.5a_{th}O_2 + (2.5 \times 3.76)a_{th}N_2$$

where $a_{\rm th}$ is the stoichiometric coefficient for air. It is determined from

O₂ balance: $2.5a_{\text{th}} = 8 + 4.5 + 1.5a_{\text{th}} \longrightarrow a_{\text{th}} = 12.5$



Substituting,

$$C_8H_{18} + 31.25[O_2 + 3.76N_2] \longrightarrow 8CO_2 + 9H_2O + 18.75O_2 + 117.5N_2$$

Thus,

$$AF = \frac{m_{air}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{(31.25 \times 4.76 \text{kmol})(29 \text{kg/kmol})}{(8 \text{kmol})(12 \text{kg/kmol}) + (9 \text{kmol})(2 \text{kg/kmol})} = 37.8 \text{ kgair/kgfuel}$$

(b) The dew-point temperature of a gas-vapor mixture is the saturation temperature of the water vapor in the product gases corresponding to its partial pressure. That is,

$$P_{\nu} = \left(\frac{N_{\nu}}{N_{\text{prod}}}\right) P_{\text{prod}} = \left(\frac{9 \text{ kmol}}{153.25 \text{ kmol}}\right) (101.325 \text{ kPa}) = 5.951 \text{ kPa}$$

Thus,

$$T_{dp} = T_{\text{sat}@5.951 \text{ kPa}} = 35.7^{\circ}\text{C}$$

14-24 The volumetric fractions of the constituents of a certain natural gas are given. The AF ratio is to be determined if this gas is burned with the stoichiometric amount of dry air.

Assumptions 1 Combustion is complete. 2 The combustion products contain CO₂, H₂O, and N₂ only.

Properties The molar masses of C, H₂, N₂, O₂, and air are 12 kg/kmol, 2 kg/kmol, 28 kg/kmol, 32 kg/kmol, and 29 kg/kmol, respectively (Table A-1).

Analysis Considering 1 kmol of fuel, the combustion equation can be written as

 $(0.65CH_4 + 0.08H_2 + 0.18N_2 + 0.03O_2 + 0.06CO_2) + a_{th}(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow xCO_2 + yH_2O + zN_2$

The unknown coefficients in the above equation are determined from mass balances,

C:	0.65 + 0.06 = x	\longrightarrow	x = 0.71
H:	$0.65 \times 4 + 0.08 \times 2 = 2y$	\longrightarrow	y = 1.38
O ₂ :	$0.03 + 0.06 + a_{\text{th}} = x + y / 2$	\longrightarrow	$a_{\rm th} = 1.31$
N ₂ :	$0.18 + 3.76a_{\rm th} = z$	\longrightarrow	z = 5.106

Thus,

The air-fuel ratio for the this reaction is determined by taking the ratio of the mass of the air to the mass of the fuel,

$$m_{air} = (1.31 \times 4.76 \text{ kmol})(29 \text{ kg/kmol}) = 180.8 \text{ kg}$$

$$m_{fuel} = (0.65 \times 16 + 0.08 \times 2 + 0.18 \times 28 + 0.03 \times 32 + 0.06 \times 44) \text{ kg} = 19.2 \text{ kg}$$

and

$$AF_{th} = \frac{m_{air, th}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{180.8 \text{ kg}}{19.2 \text{ kg}} = 9.42 \text{ kg air / kg fuel}$$

14-26 The composition of a gaseous fuel is given. It is burned with 130 percent theoretical air. The AF ratio and the fraction of water vapor that would condense if the product gases were cooled are to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Combustion is complete. 2 The combustion products contain CO_2 , H_2O , O_2 , and N_2 only.

Properties The molar masses of C, H₂, N₂, and air are 12 kg/kmol, 2 kg/kmol, 28 kg/kmol, and 29 kg/kmol, respectively (Table A-1).

Analysis (*a*) The fuel is burned completely with excess air, and thus the products will contain H_2O , CO_2 , N_2 , and some free O_2 . Considering 1 kmol of fuel, the combustion equation can be written as

$$(0.60CH_4 + 0.30H_2 + 0.10N_2) + 1.3a_{th}(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow xCO_2 + yH_2O + 0.3a_{th}O_2 + zN_2$$

The unknown coefficients in the above equation are determined from mass balances,

C:	0.60 = x	\longrightarrow	x = 0.60
H:	$0.60 \times 4 + 0.30 \times 2 = 2y$	\longrightarrow	y = 1.50
O ₂ :	$1.3a_{\rm th} = x + y / 2 + 0.3a_{\rm th}$	\longrightarrow	$a_{\rm th} = 1.35$
N ₂ :	$0.10 + 3.76 \times 1.3a_{\text{th}} = z$	\longrightarrow	z = 6.70

Thus,

$$(0.60CH_4 + 0.30H_2 + 0.10N_2) + 1.755(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow 0.6CO_2 + 1.5H_2O + 0.405O_2 + 6.7N_2$$

The air-fuel ratio for the this reaction is determined by taking the ratio of the mass of the air to the mass of the fuel,

$$m_{\text{air}} = (1.755 \times 4.76 \text{ kmol})(29 \text{ kg/kmol}) = 242.3 \text{ kg}$$

 $m_{\text{fuel}} = (0.6 \times 16 + 0.3 \times 2 + 0.1 \times 28) \text{ kg} = 13.0 \text{ kg}$

and

$$AF_{th} = \frac{m_{air, th}}{m_{fuel}} = \frac{242.3 \text{ kg}}{13.0 \text{ kg}} = 18.6 \text{ kg air / kg fuel}$$

(*b*) For each kmol of fuel burned, 0.6 + 1.5 + 0.405 + 6.7 = 9.205 kmol of products are formed, including 1.5 kmol of H₂O. Assuming that the dew-point temperature of the products is above 20°C, some of the water vapor will condense as the products are cooled to 20°C. If N_w kmol of H₂O condenses, there will be 1.5 - N_w kmol of water vapor left in the products. The mole number of the products in the gas phase will also decrease to 9.205 - N_w as a result. Treating the product gases (including the remaining water vapor) as ideal gases, N_w is determined by equating the mole fraction of the water vapor to its pressure fraction,

$$\frac{N_v}{N_{\text{prod, gas}}} = \frac{P_v}{P_{\text{prod}}} \longrightarrow \frac{1.5 - N_w}{9.205 - N_w} = \frac{2.339 \text{ kPa}}{101.325 \text{ kPa}} \longrightarrow N_w = 1.32 \text{ kmol}$$

since $P_v = P_{\text{sat } @ 20 \cdot \text{C}} = 2.339$ kPa. Thus the fraction of water vapor that condenses is 1.32/1.5 = 0.88 or **88%**.

14-27 EES solution of this (and other comprehensive problems designated with the *computer icon*) is available to instructors at the *Instructor Manual* section of the *Online Learning Center* (OLC) at www.mhhe.com/cengel-boles. See the Preface for access information.

14-57 Ethane gas is burned with stoichiometric amount of air during a steady-flow combustion process. The rate of heat transfer from the combustion chamber is to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Steady operating conditions exist. 2 Air and combustion gases are ideal gases. 3 Kinetic and potential energies are negligible. 4 Combustion is complete.

Properties The molar mass of C₂H₆ is 30 kg/kmol (Table A-1).

Analysis The theoretical combustion equation of C_2H_6 is

$$C_2H_6 + a_{th}(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow 2CO_2 + 3H_2O + 3.76a_{th}N_2$$

where a_{th} is the stoichiometric coefficient and is determined from the O₂ balance,

$$a_{\rm th} = 2 + 1.5 = 3.5$$

Then the actual combustion equation can be written as

$$C_2H_6 + 3.5(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow 1.9CO_2 + 0.1CO + 3H_2O + 0.05O_2 + 13.16N_2$$

The heat transfer for this combustion process is determined from the energy balance $E_{in} - E_{out} = \Delta E_{system}$ applied on the combustion chamber with W = 0. It reduces to

$$-Q_{\text{out}} = \sum N_P \left(\overline{h}_f^{\circ} + \overline{h} - \overline{h}^{\circ} \right)_P - \sum N_R \left(\overline{h}_f^{\circ} + \overline{h} - \overline{h}^{\circ} \right)_R$$

Assuming the air and the combustion products to be ideal gases, we have h = h(T). From the tables,

C L	$\overline{\mathbf{h}}_{\mathbf{f}}^{\circ}$	$\overline{\mathbf{h}}_{500 \ \mathrm{K}}$	$\overline{\mathbf{h}}_{298\ \mathbf{K}}$	$\overline{\mathbf{h}}_{\mathbf{800 \ K}}$
Substance	kJ/kmol	kJ/kmol	kJ/kmol	kJ/kmol
$C_{2}H_{6}\left(g\right)$	-84,680			
O_2	0	14,770	8682	24,523
N_2	0	14,581	8669	23,714
$H_2O(g)$	-241,820		9904	27,896
CO	-110,530		8669	23,844
CO_2	-393,520		9364	32,179

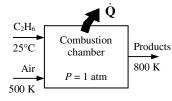
Thus,

$$-Q_{\text{out}} = (1.9)(-393,520+32,179-9364) + (0.1)(-110,530+23,844-8669) + (3)(-241,820+27,896-9904) + (0.05)(0+24,523-8682) + (13.16)(0+23,714-8669) - (1)(-84,680+h_{298}-h_{298}) - (3.5)(0+14,770-8682) - (13.16)(0+14,581-8669) = -1,201,005 kJ / kmol C2H6$$

or $Q_{\text{out}} = 1,201,005 \text{ kJ} / \text{kmol } \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$

Then the rate of heat transfer for a mass flow rate of 3 kg/h for the ethane becomes

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{out}} = \dot{N}Q_{\text{out}} = \left(\frac{\dot{m}}{N}\right)Q_{\text{out}} = \left(\frac{5 \text{ kg/h}}{30 \text{ kg/kmol}}\right)(1,201,005 \text{ kJ/kmol}) = 200,170 \text{ kJ/h}$$



Adiabatic Flame Temperature

14-63C For the case of stoichiometric amount of pure oxygen since we have the same amount of chemical energy released but a smaller amount of mass to absorb it.

14-64C Under the conditions of complete combustion with stoichiometric amount of air.

14-65 [*Also solved by EES on enclosed CD*] Hydrogen is burned with 20 percent excess air during a steady-flow combustion process. The exit temperature of product gases is to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Steady operating conditions exist. 2 Air and combustion gases are ideal gases. 3 Kinetic and potential energies are negligible. 4 There are no work interactions. 5 The combustion chamber is adiabatic.

Analysis Adiabatic flame temperature is the temperature at which the products leave the combustion chamber under adiabatic conditions (Q = 0) with no work interactions (W = 0). Under steady-flow conditions the energy balance $E_{in} - E_{out} = \Delta E_{system}$ applied on the combustion chamber reduces to

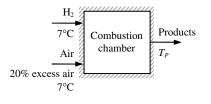
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$$\sum N_P \left(\overline{h}_f^{\circ} + \overline{h} - \overline{h}^{\circ} \right)_P = \sum N_R \left(\overline{h}_f^{\circ} + \overline{h} - \overline{h}^{\circ} \right)_R$$

The combustion equation of H₂ with 20% excess air is

$$H_2 + 0.6(O_2 + 3.76N_2) \longrightarrow H_2O + 0.1O_2 + 2.256N_2$$

From the tables,



C	$\mathbf{h}^\circ_{\mathbf{f}}$	h _{280 K}	h _{298 К}
Substance	kJ/kmol	kJ/kmol	kJ/kmol
H_2	0	7945	8468
O_2	0	8150	8682
N_2	0	8141	8669
$H_2O(g)$	-241,820	9296	9904

Thus,

$$(1) (-241,820 + \overline{h}_{H_2O} - 9904) + (0.1) (0 + \overline{h}_{O_2} - 8682) + (2.256) (0 + \overline{h}_{N_2} - 8669) = (1) (0 + 7945 - 8468) + (0.6) (0 + 8150 - 8682) + (2.256) (0 + 8141 - 8669)$$

It yields $\overline{h}_{\rm H_{2O}} + 0.1\overline{h}_{\rm O_2} + 2.256\overline{h}_{\rm N_2} = 270,116 \text{ kJ}$

The adiabatic flame temperature is obtained from a trial and error solution. A first guess is obtained by dividing the right-hand side of the equation by the total number of moles, which yields 270,116/(1 + 0.1 + 2.256) = 80,488 kJ/kmol. This enthalpy value corresponds to about 2400 K for N₂. Noting that the majority of the moles are N₂, *T_P* will be close to 2400 K, but somewhat under it because of the higher specific heat of H₂O.

At 2300 K:
$$\overline{h}_{H_2O} + 0.1\overline{h}_{O_2} + 2.256\overline{h}_{N_2} = (1)(98,199) + (0.1)(79,316) + (2.256)(75,676)$$

= 276.856kJ (Higher than 270.116 kJ)

At 2250 K:
$$\overline{h}_{H_2O} + 0.1\overline{h}_{O_2} + 2.256\overline{h}_{N_2} = (1)(95,562) + (0.1)(77,397) + (2.256)(73,856)$$

= 269,921kJ (Lower than 270,116 kJ)

By interpolation, $T_P = 2251.4 \text{ K}$