

WATER CONTENT OF LIGHT NONHYDROCARBON GASES

Introduction In the chemical process industry it is often necessary to remove water from vapor or gaseous streams for several reasons:

1. to prevent the formation of hydrates in pipelines
2. to meet a water dew point requirement
3. to prevent corrosion in potentially condensing acid gas streams

Techniques for dehydrating natural gas or other gas streams such as ammonia synthesis gas typically include:

1. absorption using liquid desiccants
2. adsorption using solid desiccants
3. inhibition by injection of hydrate point depressants
4. dehydration by expansion refrigeration

In order to properly size the equipment or vessels involved in these processes, it is important to know the precise water content of the process gas stream.

For the determination of the saturation (dew point) water content of gases, the Engineering Data Book of the Gas Processors' Association (1) recommends Fig. 15-14 found on Page 15-10 of their 9th revised edition. This chart is based solely on natural gas systems after the work of McKetta and Wehe (2). The question immediately arises as to whether this chart might be applicable for light nonhydrocarbon gases such as hydrogen, nitrogen, CO and in particular to 3:1 hydrogen/nitrogen (ammonia syn gas). This application has a direct bearing in the sizing of ammonia plant dryers situated just upstream of the plant's cryogenic purification system.

This Study In this investigation we first perused the literature to see what data exists for the saturation water content of light nonhydrocarbon gases. We then performed a brief comparison of the reported water content for these gases with the corresponding values read from the McKetta-Wehe chart. The results of this comparison and a proposed generalized graphical correlation for the water content of light NHC gases are presented here. Finally, three examples are presented which illustrate the direct use of the proposed

graphical correlation. The last illustration utilizes water content data read from our chart to size an ammonia plant dryer. This dryer employs a solid desiccant which adsorbs water from the process synthesis gas stream.

Available Data A brief search of the existing literature revealed the following data sources for the saturation water content of light nonhydrocarbon gases:

1. Bartlett (3) reports data for water vapor in hydrogen, nitrogen and 3:1 hydrogen/nitrogen at temperatures of 77, 100 and 122 deg. F for total system pressures up to 1000 atm.
2. Pollitzer and Strebel (4) report water content data for air, hydrogen and carbon dioxide at 122 and 158 deg. F and for pressures ranging between 10 and nearly 200 atm.

Table 1 provides a comprehensive listing of all of these data. The above authors originally reported water content as milligrams of water per liter of gas or mg/l. We converted these values to molar parts per million of water or PPMM. In the last three columns of the table we show the "ideal" water content defined simply as the ratio of the vapor pressure of water to the total pressure. In addition, the final column shows what we refer to as the water content ratio, WCR. The WCR is simply defined as the ratio of the actual water content to the ideal water content i.e. PPMM/PPMM-ideal. A sample calculation of the data reduction procedure used here is illustrated below.

Bartlett (3) reports a water content of 89.1 mg per liter of dry (H_2) gas at 100 atm and 122 deg. F with a gas phase compressibility factor of $Z = 1.058$. The conversion to PPMM is as follows:

$$gmoles\ dry\ gas = \frac{P}{ZRT} = \frac{100}{(1.058)(0.08206)(323.17)} = 3.5642$$

$$gmoles\ of\ H_2O = \frac{89.1}{(1000)(18.02)} = 0.004945$$

Then

$$PPMM\ H_2O = \frac{0.004945}{3.5642} 10^6 = 1387.3$$

At 122 deg.F VP of water = 1.791 psia

$$\text{Therefore } PPMM \text{ H}_2\text{O ideal} = \frac{1.791}{(100)(14.696)} 10^6 = 1218.7$$

$$\text{Then } \text{Water Content Ratio, WCR} = \frac{PPMM}{PPMM - \text{ideal}} = \frac{1387.3}{1218.7} = 1.138$$

Effective H₂ Critical Constants For the subsequent correlation work performed in this study, we required critical constants for the gases studied. Experimental PVT data for hydrogen do not obey the law of corresponding states. The configurational properties of very low molecular weight gases such as hydrogen and helium obey quantum rather than classical or statistical mechanics. Therefore, the properties of these gases cannot be correlated via the conventional corresponding states treatment using classical critical constants. Chueh and Prausnitz (5) have defined temperature-dependent effective critical constants with which the properties of quantum gases can be made to coincide with those for classical gases. They found these effective constants to depend on the molecular mass *m* and temperature *T* in a simple manner. They propose the following expressions for the effective critical temperature and effective critical pressure for hydrogen:

$$T_c (\text{quantum gas}) = \frac{T_c^o}{1 + \frac{c_1}{mT}}, \text{ deg. K} \quad (1)$$

$$P_c (\text{quantum gas}) = \frac{P_c^o}{1 + \frac{c_2}{mT}}, \text{ atm} \quad (2)$$

where $c_1 = 21.8 \text{ deg. K}$

$c_2 = 44.2 \text{ deg. K}$

Specifically, for hydrogen,

$$T_c^{\circ} = 43.6 \text{ deg. K}; \quad P_c^{\circ} = 20.2 \text{ atm}; \quad m = 2.02$$

Table 2 provides a listing of effective critical constants for hydrogen as a function of temperature over the range of 30 to 200 deg. F at 1 deg. F intervals. All of these data were generated directly from Equations 1 and 2 above.

Graphical Comparison at 122 deg. F Figure 1 is a plot of water content (PPMM) as a function of system pressure at 122 deg. F. The upper and lower solid curves represent values predicted from the GPA Engineering Data Book (1) and the ideal gas law respectively. The data points plotted here were taken from Table 1 for each of the nonhydrocarbon gases studied. The dashed curves represent the best visual fit through each set of data points. The various symbols associated with each system and the corresponding data source are listed on the plot as well.

The experimental data points generally lie between the two solid curves. Basically, we could justifiably draw a single line through all of the points below a pressure of 100 atm. Below about 30 atm, the GPA and ideal gas curves converge. At higher pressure levels, such as 200 atm and greater, the various systems display more of a spread. It appears that, in this higher pressure region, the water content decreases as the molecular weight of the nonhydrocarbon gas is decreased. For example at 200 atm, we read the following water contents from the curves of Figure 1.

<u>Non HC Gas</u>	<u>Water Content, PPMM</u>	<u>Water Content Relative To The Ideal Gas Law</u>
GPA (Nat. Gas)	1100	1.80
Nitrogen	998	1.64
3:1 H ₂ /N ₂	850	1.39
Hydrogen	780	1.28
Ideal Gas Law Using VP of Water	610	1.00

The last column here shows the water content (WCR) relative to the ideal gas law prediction (Water VP/Pressure x 10⁶).

As a final observation here in Figure 1, we see that a smooth curve drawn through the data points for the water content of CO₂ gas lies above the GPA curve (natural gas). At 100 atm pressure, for example, we observe the following comparison:

<u>System</u>	<u>Water Content, PPMM</u>	<u>Water Content Relative To The Ideal Gas Law</u>
CO ₂	3200	2.67
GPA (Nat. Gas)	1650	1.38
Ideal Gas Law	1200	1.00

Generalized Corres. States Correlation An attempt to graphically correlate the data of Table 1 within the framework of the Law of Corresponding States proved to be successful. Before we could this, however, it was necessary to compute the reduced temperature T_R and reduced pressure P_R for each data point listed. For the cases where air and ammonia syn gas were involved, we used the simple linear combining rules of Kay to compute the pseudo-critical properties of the gas mixtures on a dry basis. Individual component gas critical constants are listed below:

<u>Comp.</u>	<u>T_c, deg. F</u>	<u>P_c, Psia</u>	<u>P_c, Atm</u>
Oxygen	-181.1	737.1	50.16
Nitrogen	-232.4	493	33.55
Hydrogen		See Table 2	

If air is assumed to consist basically of 79 mole percent N₂/ 21 mole percent O₂, then the pseudo-critical constants are calculated to be,

$$P_{pc} (air) = (0.79)(493) + (0.21)(737.1) = 544.3 \text{ Psia}$$

$$T_{pc} (air) = (0.79)(-232.4) + (0.21)(-181.1) = -221.63 \text{ deg. F}$$

For ammonia syngas (3:1 H₂/N₂) at 122 deg. F:

From Table 2 we read $P_c = 18.92$ atm and $T_c = -383.76$ deg. F specifically for H₂. Therefore the pseudo-critical constants will be,

$$P_{pc} = (0.75)(18.92) + (0.25)(33.55) = 22.58 \text{ atm or } 331.8 \text{ psia}$$

$$T_{pc} = (0.75)(-383.76) + (0.25)(-232.4) = -345.92 \text{ deg. F}$$

The reduced pressures and temperatures for each data point can then be simply computed via the expressions:

$$T_R = \frac{T}{T_c} \quad ; \quad P_R = \frac{P}{P_c} \quad (3a,b)$$

where T and T_c must be expressed in absolute units (deg. K or R)

Table 1 also includes a listing of these reduced parameters for each data point. These parameters are the independent variables used in the correlation scheme described below.

By smoothing and cross plotting the entire data set listed in Table 1 we arrived at the more or less generalized graphical correlation shown in Figure 2. The correlation is expressed in a corresponding states format with WCR, the water content ratio, plotted as a function of the reduced pressure P_R with individual parametric curves of reduced temperature T_R . The correlation covers a range of T_R values between 2.5 and 7.5 and P_R values up to 50. Extrapolation beyond the bounds of these ranges is considered to be quite risky. The following three illustrations demonstrate direct application of Figure 2. The last illustration involves the actual design of a dryer employing a solid desiccant.

Illustration 1 Estimate the water content at saturation for a 3:1 molar mix of H_2 and N_2 at 122 deg. F and 600 atm.

At the bottom of page 5 we showed the calculation of the pseudo critical constants for this syn gas mixture at 122 deg. F. Therefore, the pseudo reduced parameters for the gas mixture are,

$$P_{PR} = \frac{600}{22.58} = 26.57 \quad ; \quad T_{PR} = \frac{122+459.7}{-345.92+459.7} = \frac{581.7}{113.78} = 5.11$$

If we enter these parameters on Figure 2, we read,

$$WCR = \frac{PPMM H_2O Actual}{PPMM H_2O Ideal} = 2.1$$

At 122 deg. F VP for water = 1.791 Psia

$$\text{Therefore } PPMM H_2O Ideal = \frac{1.791}{(14.696)(600)} \times 10^6 = 203.12$$

Now we can calculate the actual water content of this syn gas mixture.

$$PPMM H_2O \text{ Actual} = (2.1)(203.12) = 427$$

Bartlett (3) reported an experimental value of 422 for this syn gas mixture at 122 deg. F and 600 atm.

Illustration 2 What total pressure must a nitrogen gas stream be under in order to have a saturation water content of 680 PPMM at an operating temperature of 122 deg. F ?

For N₂ P_c = 493 psia and T_c = -232.4 deg. F

The reduced pressure and temperature of the gas are,

$$P_R = \frac{P}{493} \quad ; \quad T_R = \frac{122 + 459.7}{-232.4 + 459.7} = \frac{581.7}{227.3} = 2.56$$

where P, the system pressure in psia, is unknown. In order to employ Figure 2 for the solution here, we need to express the water content ratio WCR in terms of P also.

At 122 deg. F VP of water = 1.791 psia

Then PPMM of water (Ideal) = $\frac{1.791}{P} \times 10^6$; P in psia

And $WCR = \frac{PPMM \text{ actual}}{PPMM \text{ (Ideal)}} = \frac{680}{\left(\frac{1.791}{P}\right) \times 10^6} = \frac{680 P}{1.791 \times 10^6}$

The solution for P is done by performing a simple trial and error procedure. This procedure is shown in a tabular format below:

Passumed		WCR $\frac{680 P}{1.791 \times 10^6}$	T _R = 2.56 Fig. 2 <u>P_R</u>	P _c = 493 psia P _{calc} = P _R P _C	
<u>Atm</u>	<u>Psia</u>			<u>Psia</u>	<u>Atm</u>
250	3674	1.395	3.6	1774.8	120.8
300	4409	1.674	6.1	3007	204.6
400	5878	2.232	12.	5916	402.6
500	7348	2.79	17.	8381	570.3
600	8818	3.348	22	10,846	738.
700	10,287	3.906	27.5	13,558	922.5

In Figure 3 we have plotted the calculated pressures P_{calc} against the assumed pressures $P_{assumed}$. The resulting curve crosses the 45 degree line at $P = 405$ atm within the limits of reading accuracy. Therefore, in order for a nitrogen gas stream to be saturated with a water content of 680 PPMM at 122 deg. F, it must be subjected to a pressure of **405 atm**.

Illustration 3 We are asked to size a molecular sieve (adsorption) dryer for the following service: The gas is flowing at a rate of 64,500 lbmoles/hr. It consists of an ammonia plant synthesis gas (3:1 molar ratio of H_2 to N_2) and will enter the dryer saturated with water vapor at 122 deg. F and a total pressure of 200 atm.

The drying specifications and physical properties of the molecular sieve packing are listed below:

1. Water pickup or extent of adsorption is 9.0 lbs of water per 100 lbs of desiccant.
2. Desiccant density = 42 lbs/ cu ft.
3. Bed superficial gas velocity = 0.7 ft/sec.
4. Operating cycle time = 16 hours.

This gas mixture is initially at the same conditions of P, T and composition as that of the one treated in Illustration 1, and thus,

$$P_{pc} = 22.58 \text{ atm} \quad ; \quad T_{pc} = -345.92 \text{ deg. F}$$

$$\text{Therefore} \quad P_{PR} = \frac{200}{22.58} = 8.86 \quad ; \quad T_{PR} = \frac{122 + 459.7}{-345.92 + 459.7} = 5.11$$

From Figure 2 we read a WCR value of 1.4

At 122 deg. F with a water VP of 1.791 psia we calculate the ideal water PPMM to be,

$$PPMM \ H_2O \ Ideal = \frac{1.791}{(14.696)(200)} \times 10^6 = 609.35$$

$$\text{And then} \quad \text{Actual PPMM } H_2O = (1.4)(609.35) = 853.1$$

The water rate in the feed stream will be,

$$(853.1 \times 10^{-6})(64,500 M / H) = 55 \text{ lbmoles} / \text{Hr } H_2O$$

Or
$$= 991.5 \text{ Lbs} / \text{Hr } H_2O$$

The total weight of the molecular sieve desiccant is calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lbs desiccant} &= \frac{\text{Water adsorbed in a cycle}}{\text{Water pickup per lb of solid}} \\ &= \frac{(991.5 \text{ lbs} / \text{Hr})(16 \text{ Hrs})}{9/100} = 176,267 \text{ lbs} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Volume of desiccant} = \frac{\text{Wt. of desiccant}}{\text{Density of desiccant}} = \frac{176,267}{42} = 4200 \text{ cuft}$$

Before we can determine the desiccant cross-sectional area, we need to first compute the gas volumetric flow rate.

At 122 deg. F and 200 atm, the compressibility factor of this syn gas is 1.112. Then the molecular weight and gas density are readily calculated.

$$\text{Molecular weight} = M = (0.75)(2) + (0.25)(28) = 8.5$$

$$\text{Gas density (dry basis)} = \frac{M P}{Z R T} = \frac{(8.5)(200)(14.696)}{(1.112)(10.731)(581.7)} = 3.6 \text{ Lbs} / \text{Cu Ft}$$

$$\text{Volumetric gas rate} = \frac{(64,500)(8.5)}{3.6} = 152,292 \text{ Cu Ft} / \text{Hr}$$

$$A_{cs} = \frac{\text{Vol. Gas Flow Rate}}{\text{Superficial Gas Velocity}} = \frac{152,292}{(3600)(0.7)} = 60.43 \text{ Sq Ft}$$

The desiccant will obviously be packed in the interior of the dryer in the shape of a right circular cylinder. Therefore,

$$A_{cs} = \frac{\pi}{4} d_i^2 \quad ; \quad V = A_{cs} L = \frac{\pi}{4} d_i^2 L = \text{Volume of desiccant}$$

$$\text{Dryer ID} = d_i = \sqrt{\frac{4A_{cs}}{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{(4)(60.43)}{\pi}} = 8.8 \text{ ft} ; \text{ Use 9 ft.}$$

$$\text{Length of desiccant in dryer} = \frac{V}{A_{cs}} = \frac{4200}{60.43} = 70 \text{ ft.}$$

For actual design it would be best, in this case, to operate two dryers in series each with 35 ft of desiccant and inside diameter of 9 ft ($L/d_i = 3.9$).

The final question arising here is what would be the effect on the design if we used (Fig. 15-14) of the GPA Engineering Data Book (1) to determine the saturation water content of the dryer feed gas stream ? In Figure 1 we plotted the water content (PPMM) versus pressure generated from points read from the GPA Data Book Fig. 15-14 at 122 deg. F. At an operating dryer inlet pressure of 200 atm, we read a water content of 1100 PPMM. The inside diameter of the dryer is unaffected here because it only depends upon the total volumetric gas flow rate and superficial gas velocity which remain the same in any case. The determination of the length of the desiccant is dependent upon the total volume of desiccant which, in turn, depends directly upon the inlet water content. With all other properties held the same, the design length in this case would be,

$$L(\text{Based on GPA chart}) = \left(\frac{1100}{853.1} \right) (70) = (1.289)(70) = 90 \text{ ft.}$$

By using the GPA chart we calculate nearly a 30 percent higher length. Obviously, the GPA chart should not be used for this application because it is based solely on natural gas type systems. It provides a water content that is too high when applied to the ammonia syn gas mixture in this case. If the operating pressure is 40 atm (590 psia) or less, either the GPA chart or the Dalton's ideal gas law could be used for all practical purposes. This conclusion is quite clear upon inspection of Figure 1.

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Table 1

This spreadsheet provides a data reduction procedure for treating the water content of gases

Data of Pollitzer and Strebel

Inert Gas	Tc deg. F	Pc Psia	Oper. T deg. F	Oper. T deg. K	Oper. P Atm	Tr	Pr	mg/l water	Pv/zRT				VP water Psia	Ideal PPMM Water	PPMM/ PPMM-ideal	
									Z	gmoles gas	gmoles water	m.f. water				PPMM water
CO2	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	84.2	1.0623	1.1558	363.8	0.535	5.93472	0.020189	0.003402	3401.791	1.791	1447.386	2.3503
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	84.2	1.0623	1.1558	360.8	0.535	5.93472	0.020022	0.003374	3373.739	1.791	1447.386	2.3309
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	84.2	1.0623	1.1558	368.3	0.535	5.93472	0.020438	0.003444	3443.87	1.791	1447.386	2.3794
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	84.2	1.0623	1.1558	364.4	0.535	5.93472	0.020222	0.003407	3407.402	1.791	1447.386	2.3542
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	84.2	1.0623	1.1558	361.6	0.535	5.93472	0.020067	0.003381	3381.22	1.791	1447.386	2.3361
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	57.1	1.0623	0.7838	214.5	0.747	2.882421	0.011903	0.00413	4129.667	1.791	2134.324	1.9349
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	54.2	1.0623	0.7440	189	0.757	2.699885	0.010488	0.003885	3884.738	1.791	2248.522	1.7277
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	53.7	1.0623	0.7371	183.4	0.757	2.674979	0.010178	0.003805	3804.733	1.791	2269.458	1.6765
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	53.7	1.0623	0.7371	179	0.757	2.674979	0.009933	0.003713	3713.453	1.791	2269.458	1.6363
	87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	38.7	1.0623	0.5312	144.3	0.832	1.754	0.008008	0.004565	4565.433	1.791	3149.093	1.4498
87.9	1070.6	122	323.1667	38.7	1.0623	0.5312	144.3	0.832	1.754	0.008008	0.004565	4565.433	1.791	3149.093	1.4498	
H2	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	140.3	7.6600	7.4159	105	1.08	4.898644	0.005827	0.001189	1189.484	1.791	868.6379	1.3694
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	134	7.6600	7.0829	101.5	1.075	4.700437	0.005633	0.001198	1198.321	1.791	909.4768	1.3176
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	122.4	7.6600	6.4698	96.9	1.073	4.301537	0.005377	0.00125	1250.102	1.791	995.6691	1.2555
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	105.1	7.6600	5.5553	93.8	1.062	3.731815	0.005205	0.001395	1394.851	1.791	1159.561	1.2029
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	99.7	7.6600	5.2699	93.7	1.058	3.55346	0.0052	0.001463	1463.3	1.791	1222.366	1.1971
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	93.4	7.6600	4.9369	92.8	1.055	3.338384	0.00515	0.001543	1542.612	1.791	1304.817	1.1822
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	93.4	7.6600	4.9369	91.8	1.055	3.338384	0.005094	0.001526	1525.99	1.791	1304.817	1.1695
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	77.4	7.6600	4.0912	88.7	1.045	2.792972	0.004922	0.001762	1762.391	1.791	1574.546	1.1193
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	70.6	7.6600	3.7317	88.6	1.04	2.559843	0.004917	0.001921	1920.727	1.791	1726.203	1.1127
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	56.6	7.6600	2.9917	83.5	1.032	2.068134	0.004634	0.002241	2240.542	1.791	2153.178	1.0406
-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	45	7.6600	2.3786	82.5	1.025	1.655505	0.004578	0.002765	2765.468	1.791	2708.22	1.0211	
Air	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	192.3	2.4434	5.1924	122.9	1.044	6.945775	0.00682	0.000982	981.9206	1.791	633.7488	1.5494
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	184.8	2.4434	4.9899	126.7	1.043	6.681279	0.007031	0.001052	1052.355	1.791	659.4691	1.5958
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	167.4	2.4434	4.5201	122.5	1.033	6.110786	0.006798	0.001112	1112.46	1.791	728.0161	1.5281
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	142.3	2.4434	3.8424	113.4	1.021	5.255585	0.006293	0.001197	1197.394	1.791	856.4294	1.3981
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	133.1	2.4434	3.5939	111.4	1.010	4.969339	0.006182	0.001244	1244.033	1.791	915.6266	1.3587
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	122.7	2.4434	3.3131	108.9	1.010	4.581051	0.006043	0.001319	1319.192	1.791	993.2347	1.3282
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	119.5	2.4434	3.2267	107.5	1.005	4.483775	0.005966	0.00133	1330.485	1.791	1019.832	1.3046
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	105.5	2.4434	2.8487	106	0.999	3.982253	0.005882	0.001477	1477.142	1.791	1155.165	1.2787
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	98.7	2.4434	2.6651	105.4	0.998	3.72931	0.005849	0.001568	1568.402	1.791	1234.751	1.2702
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	94.8	2.4434	2.5598	104.6	0.998	3.581952	0.005805	0.001621	1620.53	1.791	1285.547	1.2606
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	79.6	2.4434	2.1493	97.6	0.992	3.025822	0.005416	0.00179	1789.995	1.791	1531.029	1.1691
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	74.4	2.4434	2.0089	97.9	0.991	2.831009	0.005433	0.001919	1919.052	1.791	1638.036	1.1716
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	12.7	2.4434	0.3429	84.6	1.000	0.478901	0.004695	0.009803	9803.247	1.791	9596.055	1.0216
	-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	10.7	2.4434	0.2889	83.4	1.000	0.403483	0.004628	0.011471	11470.58	1.791	11389.71	1.0071
-221.63	544.26	122	323.1667	9.9	2.4434	0.2673	84.3	1.000	0.373316	0.004678	0.012531	12531.29	1.791	12310.09	1.0180	

Table 1 (cont.)

This spreadsheet provides a data reduction procedure for treating the water content of gases

Data of Pollitzer and Strebel

Inert Gas	Tc deg. F	Pc Psia	Oper. T deg. F	Oper. T deg. K	Oper. P Atm	Tr	Pr	mg/l water	Pv/zRT				VP water Psia	Ideal PPMM Water	PPMM/ PPMM-ideal	
									Z	gmole gas	gmole water	m.f. water				PPMM water
CO2	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	50.3	1.1280	0.6905	381.1	0.822	2.172999	0.021149	0.009733	9732.504	4.523	6118.704	1.5906
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	50.5	1.1280	0.6932	386.3	0.822	2.181639	0.021437	0.009826	9826.231	4.523	6094.472	1.6123
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	50.3	1.1280	0.6905	383.2	0.822	2.172999	0.021265	0.009786	9786.134	4.523	6118.704	1.5994
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	50.3	1.1280	0.6905	381.1	0.822	2.172999	0.021149	0.009733	9732.504	4.523	6118.704	1.5906
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	50.3	1.1280	0.6905	385.3	0.822	2.172999	0.021382	0.00984	9839.764	4.523	6118.704	1.6081
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	37.8	1.1280	0.5189	314.5	0.870	1.542893	0.017453	0.011312	11311.75	4.523	8142.085	1.3893
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	37.8	1.1280	0.5189	313.3	0.870	1.542893	0.017386	0.011269	11268.59	4.523	8142.085	1.3840
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	29.5	1.1280	0.4049	281.3	0.900	1.163973	0.01561	0.013411	13411.34	4.523	10432.91	1.2855
	87.9	1070.6	158	343.1667	29.5	1.1280	0.4049	283.6	0.900	1.163973	0.015738	0.013521	13520.99	4.523	10432.91	1.2960
H2	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	152.5	8.1180	8.0307	232.4	1.080	5.01429	0.012897	0.002572	2572.005	4.523	2018.169	1.2744
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	148.2	8.1180	7.8043	228	1.075	4.895568	0.012653	0.002585	2584.502	4.523	2076.726	1.2445
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	144.5	8.1180	7.6095	233.3	1.070	4.79565	0.012947	0.0027	2699.681	4.523	2129.902	1.2675
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	138.2	8.1180	7.2777	224.2	1.070	4.586566	0.012442	0.002713	2712.646	4.523	2226.996	1.2181
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	125.1	8.1180	6.5878	220.6	1.060	4.190973	0.012242	0.002921	2921.029	4.523	2460.198	1.1873
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	112.9	8.1180	5.9454	214	1.050	3.818282	0.011876	0.00311	3110.219	4.523	2726.048	1.1409
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	110.3	8.1180	5.8085	216	1.045	3.748199	0.011987	0.003198	3197.984	4.523	2790.307	1.1461
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	107.9	8.1180	5.6821	212.3	1.040	3.68427	0.011781	0.003198	3197.744	4.523	2852.371	1.1211
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	104.5	8.1180	5.5030	213.5	1.040	3.568177	0.011848	0.00332	3320.449	4.523	2954.175	1.1274
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	85.6	8.1180	4.5077	212.2	1.030	2.951209	0.011776	0.00399	3990.163	4.523	3595.454	1.1098
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	83.8	8.1180	4.4130	209.6	1.030	2.889151	0.011632	0.004026	4025.931	4.523	3672.683	1.0962
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	65.0	8.1180	3.4229	208.1	1.020	2.262958	0.011548	0.005103	5103.178	4.523	4734.936	1.0778
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	25.8	8.1180	1.3586	205.9	1.010	0.907114	0.011426	0.012596	12596.21	4.523	11929.1	1.0559
	-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	23.9	8.1180	1.2586	205.3	1.000	0.848714	0.011393	0.013424	13423.72	4.523	12877.44	1.0424
-383.61	279.07	158	343.1667	21.6	8.1180	1.1375	203.6	1.000	0.767038	0.011299	0.01473	14730.11	4.523	14248.65	1.0338	
Air	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	154.2	2.5946	4.1637	272.2	1.031	5.311157	0.015105	0.002844	2844.096	4.523	1995.92	1.4250
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	150	2.5946	4.0503	270.7	1.030	5.171511	0.015022	0.002905	2904.799	4.523	2051.805	1.4157
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	147.5	2.5946	3.9828	270.5	1.028	5.095212	0.015011	0.002946	2946.118	4.523	2086.582	1.4119
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	145	2.5946	3.9153	267.0	1.028	5.008853	0.014817	0.002958	2958.136	4.523	2122.557	1.3937
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	124	2.5946	3.3482	260.1	1.014	4.342573	0.014434	0.003324	3323.827	4.523	2482.023	1.3392
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	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	72.0	2.5946	1.9441	240.1	0.998	2.561919	0.013324	0.005201	5200.822	4.523	4274.595	1.2167
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	45.0	2.5946	1.2151	229.3	0.999	1.599596	0.012725	0.007955	7954.976	4.523	6839.352	1.1631
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	42.4	2.5946	1.1449	224.7	0.999	1.507175	0.012469	0.008273	8273.41	4.523	7258.746	1.1398
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	16.0	2.5946	0.4320	208.4	0.999	0.568745	0.011565	0.020334	20334.1	4.523	19235.68	1.0571
	-221.63	544.26	158	343.1667	14.5	2.5946	0.3915	207.0	0.999	0.515426	0.011487	0.022287	22286.9	4.523	21225.57	1.0500
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Table 1 (cont.)

This spreadsheet provides a data reduction procedure for treating the water content of gases

p. 3

Data of Bartlett

Inert Gas	Tc deg. F	Pc Psia	Oper. T deg. F	Oper. T deg. K	Oper. P Atm	Pv/zRT								VP water Psia	Ideal PPMM Water	PPMM/ PPMM-ideal
						Tr	Pr	mg/l water	Z	gmoles gas	gmoles water	m.f. water	PPMM water			
H2	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	100	7.6600	5.2858	89.1	1.058	3.564152	0.004945	0.001387	1387.288	1.791	1218.699	1.1383
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	200	7.6600	10.5715	95.5	1.114	6.76997	0.0053	0.000783	782.8199	1.791	609.3495	1.2847
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	400	7.6600	21.1430	101.8	1.230	12.263	0.005649	0.000461	460.6766	1.791	304.6747	1.5120
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	600	7.6600	31.7146	108	1.360	16.63621	0.005993	0.00036	360.2589	1.791	203.1165	1.7737
	-383.76	278.03	122	323.1667	1000	7.6600	52.8576	118.7	1.600	23.56796	0.006587	0.000279	279.495	1.791	121.8699	2.2934
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	-232.4	493	122	323.1667	200	2.5592	5.9619	125.9	1.076	7.009058	0.006987	0.000997	996.8075	1.791	609.3495	1.6359
	-232.4	493	122	323.1667	400	2.5592	11.9237	148.3	1.240	12.16411	0.00823	0.000677	676.5597	1.791	304.6747	2.2206
	-232.4	493	122	323.1667	600	2.5592	17.8856	161.5	1.475	15.33915	0.008962	0.000584	584.274	1.791	203.1165	2.8765
	-232.4	493	122	323.1667	1000	2.5592	29.8093	170.3	1.950	19.33781	0.009451	0.000489	488.7115	1.791	121.8699	4.0101
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	-345.92	331.8	122	323.1667	600	5.1125	26.5750	123.2	1.398	16.18401	0.006837	0.000422	422.4447	1.791	203.1165	2.0798
	-345.92	331.8	122	323.1667	800	5.1125	35.4334	127.2	1.547	19.50031	0.007059	0.000362	361.9851	1.791	152.3374	2.3762
	-345.92	331.8	122	323.1667	1000	5.1125	44.2917	130.6	1.697	22.22082	0.007248	0.000326	326.1582	1.791	121.8699	2.6763
	-345.99	331.25	100	310.9444	200	4.9222	8.8731	56.5	1.115	7.029765	0.003135	0.000446	446.0185	0.9503	323.3193	1.3795
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TABLE 2

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TABLE 2 CONT. -

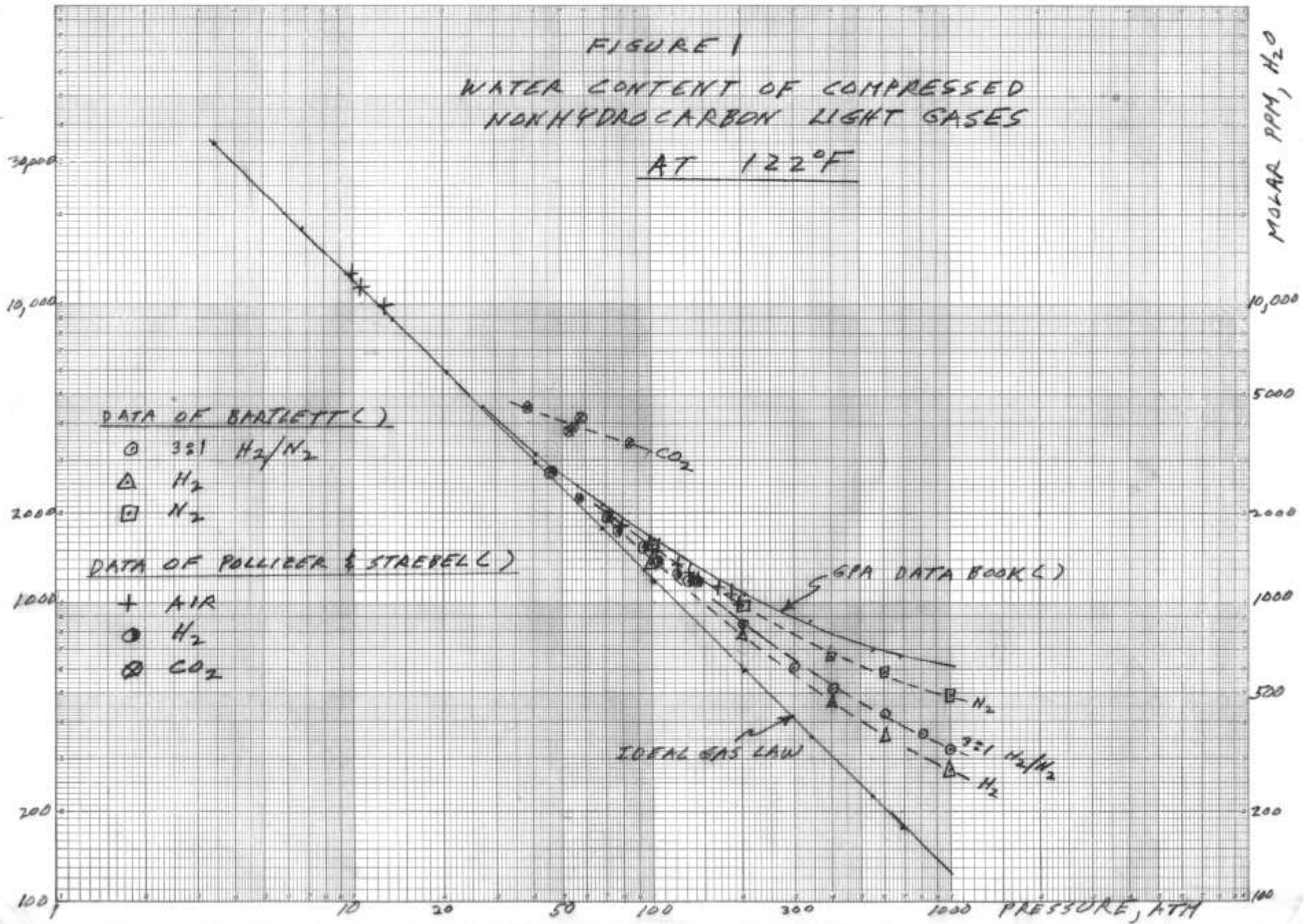
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199	658.7	-383.4682	76.23184	19.06031
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FIGURE 1
WATER CONTENT OF COMPRESSED
NONHYDROCARBON LIGHT GASES
AT 122°F

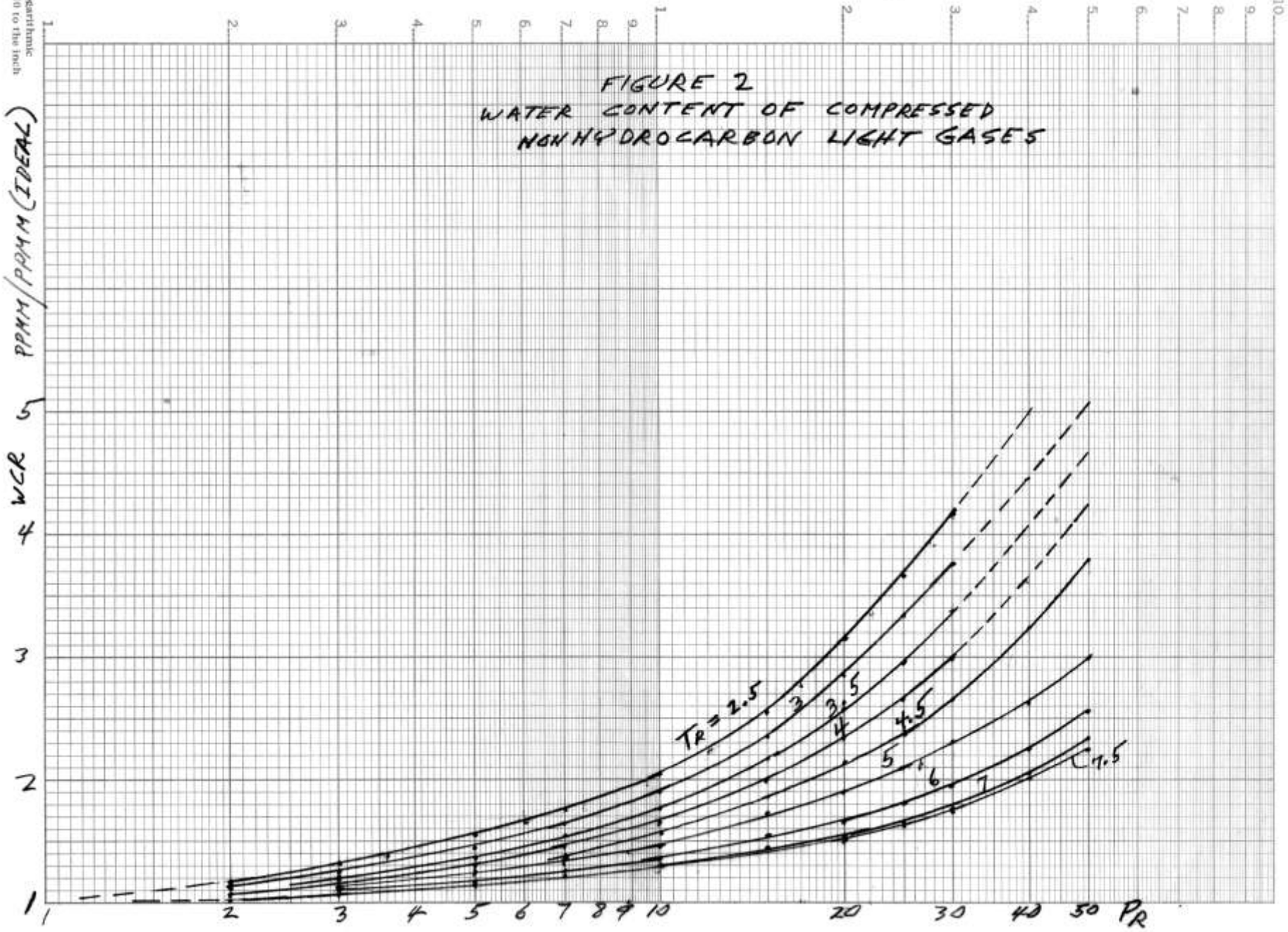


Semi-Logarithmic
2 Cycles 8 to 10 to the Inch

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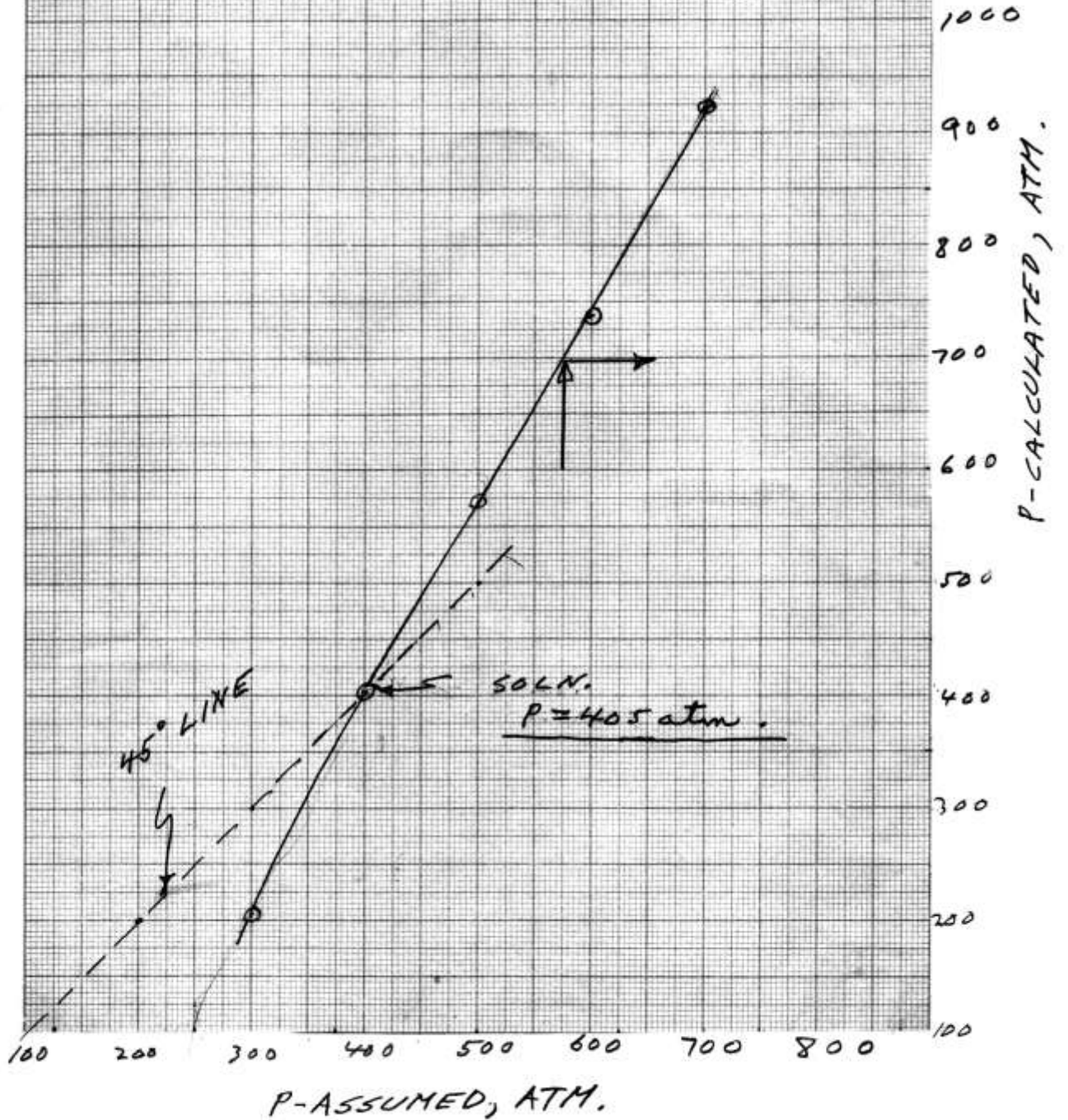


FIGURE 2
WATER CONTENT OF COMPRESSED
NONHYDROCARBON LIGHT GASES



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FIGURE 3
GRAPHICAL ITERATIVE SOLUTION
FOR ILLUSTRATION 2.



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