

Behavior near the critical point

To examine behavior near the critical point C, we can expand the equation of state about C.

$$\left(\bar{P} + \frac{3}{\bar{v}^2}\right)\left(\bar{v} - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{8}{3}\bar{T}$$

critical point is at

$$\bar{P} = \frac{8\bar{T}}{3\bar{v}-1} - \frac{3}{\bar{v}^2}$$

$$\bar{P} = \bar{v} = \bar{T} = 1$$

$$\bar{P} = 1 + \delta P, \quad \bar{v} = 1 + \delta v, \quad \bar{T} = 1 + \delta t$$

$$1 + \delta P = \frac{8(1 + \delta t)}{3(1 + \delta v) - 1} - \frac{3}{(1 + \delta v)^2}$$

$$= \frac{8(1 + \delta t)}{2 + 3\delta v} - \frac{3}{1 + 2\delta v + \delta v^2}$$

$$= \frac{4(1 + \delta t)}{1 + \frac{3}{2}\delta v} - \frac{3}{1 + 2\delta v + \delta v^2}$$

expand to $O(\delta v^3)$
to get \curvearrowleft behavior
in p vs v curves

$$1 + \delta P = 4(1 + \delta t) \left[1 - \frac{3}{2}\delta v + \frac{9}{4}\delta v^2 - \frac{27}{8}\delta v^3 \right]$$

$$- 3 \left[1 - 2\delta v - \delta v^2 + 4\delta v^2 + 4\delta v^3 - 8\delta v^3 \right]$$

$$= 4 - 6\delta v + 9\delta v^2 - \frac{27}{2}\delta v^3 + 4\delta t - 6\delta t\delta v + 9\delta t\delta v^2 - \frac{27}{2}\delta t\delta v^3 - 3 + 6\delta v + 3\delta v^2 - 12\delta v^2 - 12\delta v^3 + 24\delta v^3$$

$$\delta p = -\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3 + \delta t [4 - 6\delta v + 9\delta v^2 - \frac{27}{2} \delta v^3]$$

at $\delta t \rightarrow 0$ it is sufficient to keep only

$$\delta p = -\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3 + \delta t [4 - 6\delta v] + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3 - (6\delta t) \delta v + 4\delta t$$

① Critical isotherm is $\delta t = 0 \Rightarrow \delta p = -\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3$

$\propto \delta v^3$ critical exponent $\delta = 3$

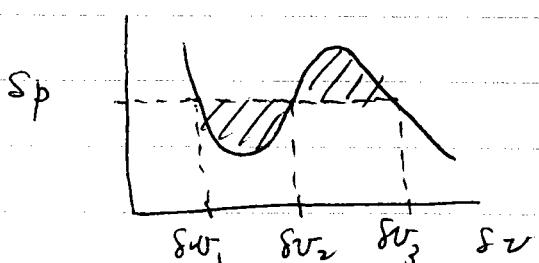
isothermal compressibility at T_c

$$K_T = -\frac{1}{\delta v} \left(\frac{\partial \delta v}{\partial \delta p} \right)_{T,N} = -\frac{1}{\delta v} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{\partial \delta p}{\partial \delta v}} \right)_{T,N} = -\frac{2}{9} \frac{1}{\delta v^2} \propto \frac{1}{\delta v^2}$$

on critical isotherm, $\delta v \propto (\delta p)^{1/3} \Rightarrow K_T \propto \frac{1}{\delta p^{2/3}}$

as vary δp through p_c on critical isotherm $T = T_c$

② Coexistence curve



By Maxwell construction, coexistence determined as δv_1 and δv_3 such that shaded areas are equal.

$\delta v_1, \delta v_2, \delta v_3$ must solve

$$\text{For } \delta p = -a \delta v^3 - b \delta v + 4\delta t \quad a = \frac{3}{2}, \quad b = 6\delta t$$

coexistence is determined to be

$$\boxed{\delta p = 4\delta t} \quad \leftarrow \text{coexistence curve in } \phi-T \text{ plane}$$

$$\Rightarrow -a \delta v^3 - b \delta v = 0 \Rightarrow \delta v_2 = 0, \quad \delta v_{1,2} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{b}{a}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot (-6\delta t)$$

for $\delta t < 0$ (no coexistence for $\delta t > 0$)

$$\delta v_1 = \boxed{\delta v_e = -2\sqrt{|\delta t|}}$$

$$\delta v_3 = \boxed{\delta v_g = +2\sqrt{|\delta t|}}$$

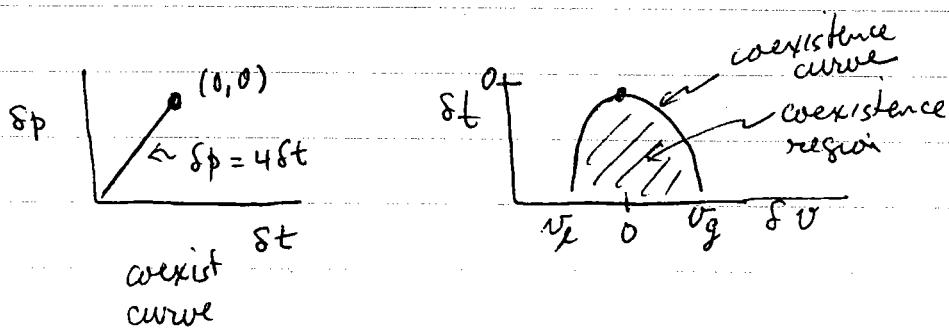
Jump in specific volume at coexistence curve

$$\Delta v = \delta v_g - \delta v_e = 4|\delta t|^{1/2} \propto |\delta t|^{\beta} \quad \beta = 1/2$$

Note: if had kept the higher order terms in eqn of state, i.e. $(\delta t \delta v^2)$ and $(\delta t \delta v^3)$ terms, then would only lead to higher order corrections to above result i.e.

$$\delta p = 4\delta t + o(\delta t)^2$$

$$\delta v_{e,g} \sim \mp \sqrt{4|\delta t| (1+o(\delta t))}$$



isothermal compressibility at fixed p_c as vary T .

$$\delta p = -\frac{3}{2}\delta v^3 + \delta t [4 - 6\delta v] \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \delta p}{\partial \delta v} = -\frac{9}{2}\delta v^2 - 6\delta t$$

$$K_T = \frac{1}{\frac{9}{2}\delta v^2 + 6\delta t}$$

for $p = p_c$, i.e. $\delta p = 0$, eqn of state gives

$$\delta p = 0 = -\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3 + 8t [4 - 6\delta v]$$

$$\Rightarrow 8t = \frac{\frac{3}{2} \delta v^3}{4 - 6\delta v} \approx \frac{\frac{3}{8} \delta v^3}{4} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{8}{3} st\right)^{1/3} = \delta v$$

$$k_T = \frac{1}{\frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{8}{3} st\right)^{2/3} + 6st} \approx \frac{1}{(8t)^{2/3}}$$

But if compute k_T along actual isotherm $\delta v = 0$ for $T > T_c$

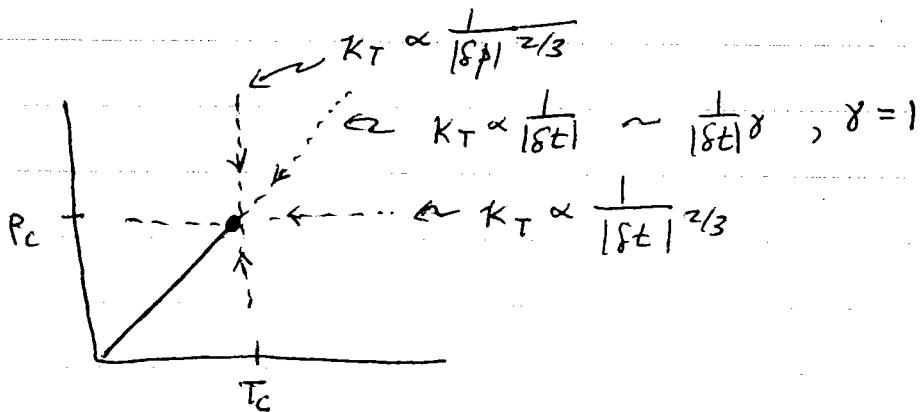
$$\text{then } k_T = \frac{1}{6st}$$

If compute along coexistence curve for $T < T_c$, then $\delta v^2 = 4|8t|$

$$k_T = \frac{1}{\frac{9 \cdot 4|8t| - 6|8t|}{2}} \quad \text{since } st = -|8t|$$

amplitude ratio :

$$k_T^+ = \frac{1}{12|8t|} \quad \lim_{st \rightarrow 0} \frac{k_T^+}{k_T^-} = \frac{12st}{6st} = 2$$



How does specific heat C_V diverge? see homework problem!

Coexistence curve using more complete equation of state

$$\delta p = -\left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2}st\right)\delta v^3 + (9st)\delta v^2 - (6st)\delta v + 4st$$

$$\delta p = -a\delta v^3 + b\delta v^2 + 4st$$

$$\begin{cases} a = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2}st \\ b = 9st \\ c = 6st \end{cases}$$

transform to $\delta v = \delta v_0 + u$

$$\delta p = -a(\delta v_0^3 + 3\delta v_0^2u + 3\delta v_0u^2 + u^3) + b(\delta v_0^2 + 2\delta v_0u + u^2) - c(\delta v_0 + u) + 4st$$

$$\delta p = -au^3 + (b - 3a\delta v_0)u^2 - (c - 2b\delta v_0 + 3a\delta v_0^2)u + (4st - c\delta v_0 + b\delta v_0^2 - a\delta v_0^3)$$

choose δv_0 to make the u^2 term vanish

$$b = 3a\delta v_0 \Rightarrow \delta v_0 = \frac{b}{3a} = \frac{9st}{3\left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2}st\right)} = \frac{2t}{1 + 9st}$$

$$\delta v_0 \approx 2st - 18st^2$$

$$\delta p = -au^3 - c'u + f(t)$$

$$\text{where } c' = c - 2b\delta v_0 + 3a\delta v_0^2$$

$$= 6st - 2(9st)(2st - 18st^2) + 3\left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2}st\right)(2st - 18st^2)$$

$$= 6st - 36st^2 + 18^2st^3 + \left(\frac{9}{2} + \frac{3}{2}27st\right)(4st^2 - 4 \cdot 18)$$

$$= 6st - 36st^2 + 18^2st^3 + 18st^2 + (6)(27)st^3 - (2)(9)(18)(st^3)$$

$$= 6st - 18st^2 + (18 + 162 - 324)st^3$$

$$c' = 6st - 18st^2 - 144st^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(t) &= 48t - c\delta v_0 + 6\delta v_0^2 - a\delta v_0^3 \\
 &= 48t - (6st)(2st - 18st^2) + (8st)(2st - 18st^2)^2 \\
 &\quad \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{27}{2}st\right)(2st - 18st^2)^3 \\
 &= 48t - 12st^2 + (6)(18)st^3 + 36st^3 - 12st^3 \\
 &= 48t - 12st^2 + 132st^3 \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta p = -au^3 - c'u + f(t)$$

By the same arguments of symmetry used earlier, we see that the phase boundary is now given by

$$\boxed{\delta p = f(t) = 48t - 12st^2 + o(st^3)}$$

same result as earlier, but with higher order correction

The coexistence curve densities are given by

$$-au^3 - c'u = 0 \Rightarrow u = \pm \sqrt{\frac{c'}{a}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-6st + 18st^2 + 144st^3}{\frac{3}{2}(1+9st)}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{e,g} &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{-48t + 12st^2 + 96st^3}{1+9st}} \\
 &= \pm \sqrt{-48t + 12st^2 + 36st^3 + o(st^3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$u_{e,g} = \pm \sqrt{-48t(1 - 12st)}$$

$$\delta v_{e,g} = \delta v_0 + u_{e,g} = 2st - 18st^2 \pm \sqrt{-48t(1 - 12st)}$$

to lowest orders

$$\delta v_{eg} = \pm \sqrt{-4st} + 2st + o(st^{3/2})$$

$$= \pm 2\sqrt{|st|} + 2st$$

$$\boxed{\delta v_{eg} = \pm 2\sqrt{|st|} (1 \mp \sqrt{|st|})},$$

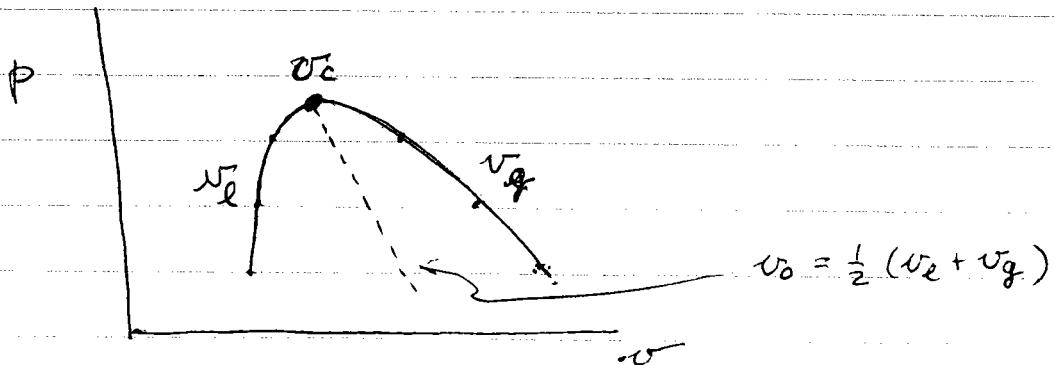
leading to higher order correction

to leading order we have the same result as before,

with $\Delta V = 4\sqrt{|st|} = \delta v_g - \delta v_e$ along phase boundary

The main difference is that the coexistence curve is now not symmetric about the critical specific volume $\delta v_c = 0$
but rather about $\delta v_0 \approx 2st$

$$v_{eg} \approx \pm (st \pm \sqrt{|st|})$$



in experimental data one clearly sees this asymmetry

Table 16.2 Critical Exponents^{a,b}

<i>Exponent</i>	<i>TH</i>	<i>EXPT</i>	<i>MFT</i>	<i>ISING2</i>	<i>ISING3</i>	<i>HEIS3</i>
α		0-0.14	0	0	0.12	-0.14
β		0.32-0.39	1/2	1/8	0.31	0.3
γ		1.3-1.4	1	7/4	1.25	1.4
δ		4-5	3	15	5	
ν		0.6-0.7	1/2	1	0.64	0.7
η		0.05	0	1/4	0.05	0.04
$\alpha + 2\beta + \gamma$	2	2.00 ± 0.01	2	2	2	2
$(\beta\delta - \gamma)/\beta$	1	0.93 ± 0.08	1	1	1	
$(2 - \eta)\nu/\gamma$	1	1.02 ± 0.05	1	1	1	1
$(2 - \alpha)/\nu d$	1		4/d	1	-1	1

^a TH, theoretical values (from scaling laws); EXPT, experimental values (from a variety of systems); MFT, mean field theory; ISING d , Ising model in d dimension; HEIS3, classical Heisenberg model, $d = 3$.

^b For more details and documentation see A. Z. Patashinskii and V. L. Pokrovskii, *Fluctuation Theory of Phase Transitions* (Pergamon, Oxford, 1979), Table 3, pp. 42-43.

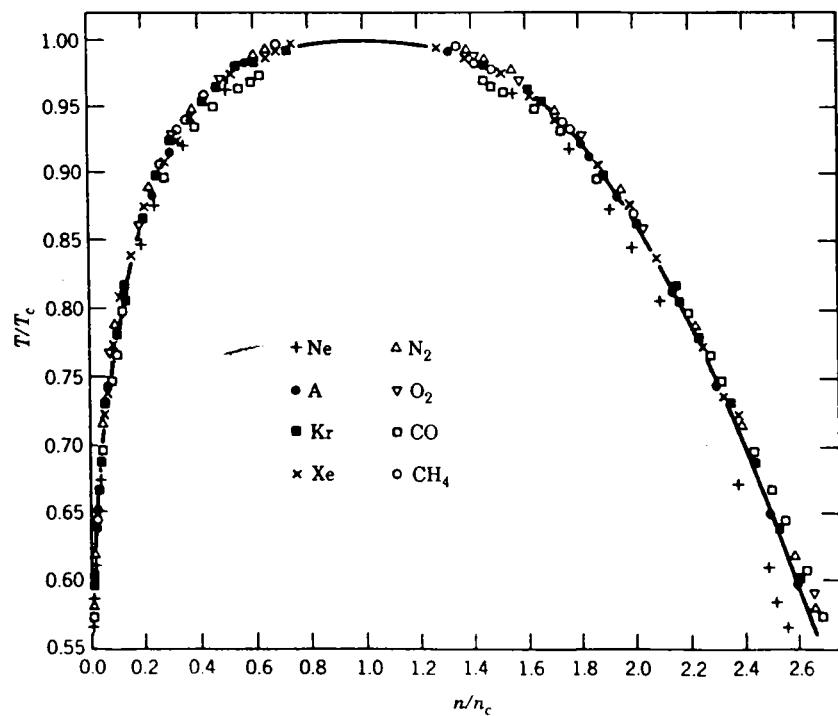


Fig. 16.2 Reduced temperature vs. reduced density in the gas-liquid coexistence region, for eight different substances.

Finally consider the free energy

$$\delta p = -\alpha u^3 - c'u + f(t)$$

where $f(t) = \delta p^*(t)$ is the coexistence phase boundary

$$\frac{A}{N}(u, t) = - \int_{u_{\text{ref}}}^u p dv + \frac{A_{\text{ref}}}{N}$$

$$= - \int_{u_{\text{ref}}}^u \delta p du + \frac{A_{\text{ref}}}{N}$$

$$\frac{A}{N}(u, t) = \frac{\alpha}{4} u^4 + \frac{c'}{2} u^2 - \delta p^*(u - u_{\text{ref}}) + \frac{A_{\text{ref}}}{N}$$

$$\frac{A}{N}(u, t) + \delta p^* u = \left[\frac{c'}{2} u^2 + \frac{\alpha}{4} u^4 \right] + \frac{A_{\text{ref}}}{N} + \delta p^* u_{\text{ref}}$$

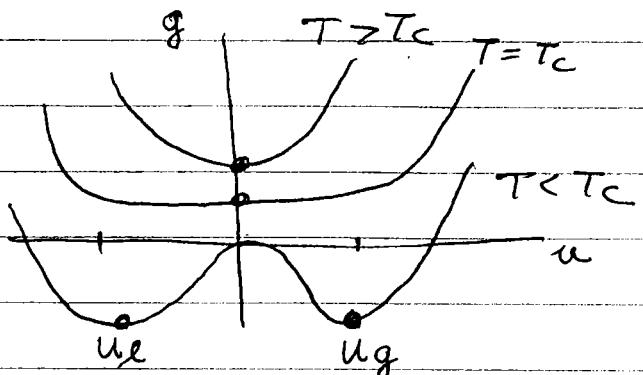
Now $\frac{G}{N}(p, T) = \min_u \left(\frac{A}{N}(u, t) + \delta p u \right)$ Legendre transf

So along the phase boundary $\delta p^*(T)$

$$\frac{G}{N}(p^*, T) = \min_u \left[\frac{c'}{2} u^2 + \frac{\alpha}{4} u^4 \right] + \underbrace{\frac{A_{\text{ref}}}{N} + \delta p^* u_{\text{ref}}}_{g(u)}$$

Index of u

$$\text{plot } g(u) = \frac{c'}{2}u^2 + \frac{a}{4}u^4 \quad \text{for } T > T_c, T = T_c, T < T_c$$



$$T > T_c, c' > 0, g(u) \sim u^2$$

$$T = T_c, c' = 0, g(u) \sim u^4$$

$$T < T_c, c' < 0, g(u) \sim -u^2$$

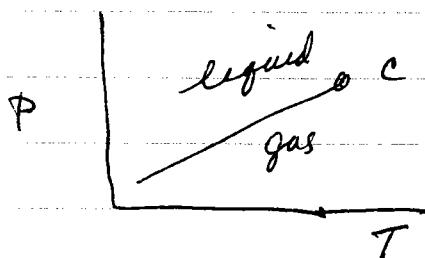
For $T \geq T_c$, the minimizing $u = 0$

$$\text{For } T < T_c, \text{ the minimizing } u = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{c'}{a}} \propto \pm \sqrt{18t}$$

So the transition occurs when the coefficient of the quadratic u^2 term vanishes. Above T_c this coefficient is positive, the function is everywhere convex, the minimum is the single point $u = 0$.

Below T_c , this coefficient is negative, the minimum move to two non-zero values $\pm u_{\min}$ which increase in magnitude as $T - T_c$ increases. The two non-zero values $\pm u_{\min}$ are the values in the two coexisting phases.

Liquid-gas phase boundary



along phase boundary

$\mu_e(T, p) = \mu_g(T, p)$ = Gibbs free energy per particle

one constraint on two thermodynamic variables T, p determines the coexistence region in the $p-T$ plane to be a line $\phi(T)$.

Gibbs-Duhem relation

$$d\mu_e = -s_e dT + v_e dp$$

$$d\mu_g = -s_g dT + v_g dp$$

$$\text{where } s = \frac{S}{N}$$

entropy per particle

$$\text{along phase boundary} \quad d\mu_e = d\mu_g \quad \text{since } \mu_e = \mu_g$$

$$\Rightarrow -s_e dT + v_e dp = -s_g dT + v_g dp$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{s_g - s_e}{v_g - v_e} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta v} \equiv \frac{L}{T \Delta v}$$

where $L \equiv T \Delta s$ is the latent heat of the transition.

= heat that must be absorbed to turn one particle of liquid into gas. For system with fixed total V and total N , then change in total energy is $dE = TdS \Rightarrow dE/N = Tds \Rightarrow \Delta E = T \Delta s = L$

$$\boxed{\frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta v} = \frac{L}{T \Delta v}}$$

Clausius-Clapeyron relation

relates slope of phase boundary to discontinuities in entropy and density upon crossing phase boundary

Note: Since $\frac{dp}{dT}$ is in general finite, as we know ΔV is finite but with $\Delta V \rightarrow 0$ as one approaches the critical pt C, then similarly it must be that ΔS is finite upon crossing the phase boundary, but with $\Delta S \rightarrow 0$ as one approaches C.

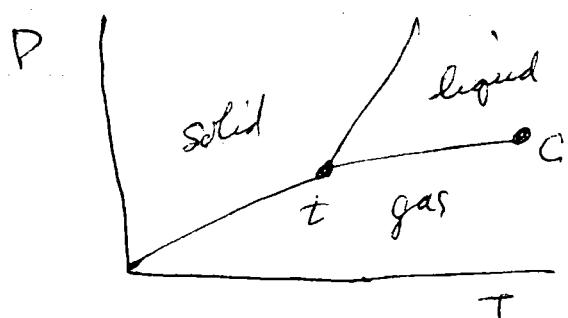
$\Rightarrow L$ is finite along phase boundary, but $L \rightarrow 0$ at C.

one often says that a phase transition is 1st order if there is a finite latent heat L . A phase transition is 2nd order if $L=0$. Liquid-gas phase boundary is a 1st order phase transition that ends at a 2nd order phase transition at the critical point C.

Gibbs phase rule

phase boundary line in $P-T$ plane is a locus of points where two phases coexist in equilibrium.

Can three phases coexist together?



3-phase coexistence at "triple point" t.

at 3-phase coexistence

$$\mu_s(T_1, p) = \mu_e(T_1, p) = \mu_g(T_1, p)$$

two thermodynamic variables T, p

two equations of constraint $\mu_s = \mu_e, \mu_e = \mu_g \Rightarrow$ there is a unique solution (p_t, T_t) ie the locus of point where

3 phases may coexist at an isolated point (in contrast to 2-phase coexistence which is a line!). This is called the triple point.

Can 4 phases coexist together?

This would require $\mu_1(T, p) = \mu_2(T, p) = \mu_3(T, p) = \mu_4(T, p)$

two thermodynamic variables + 3 constraints

\Rightarrow solution is in general over specified - more constraints than variables \Rightarrow no solution.

So max number of coexisting phases is three, unless there are other thermodynamic variables besides p , and T .

Suppose one has a multicomponent system where c_{ij} , $i=1, 2, \dots, r$ is the fraction of constituent i in thermodynamic phase j . $\sum_{i=1}^r c_{ij} = 1$

Suppose there are s coexisting phases

Then there are $p, T, c_{ij} = r+s$ degrees of freedom and $\sum_{i=1}^r c_{ij} = 1 \Rightarrow \mu_{ij} = \mu_{i,j+1}$ for $j = 1 \text{ to } s-1$ { gives $\begin{cases} j \\ i \end{cases} = 1 \text{ to } r$ } $s + r(s-1)$ constraints

\Rightarrow number of "free" variables is $(r+s) - (s + r(s-1))$

$$= r+s - s - rs + r = r - rs$$

this must be ≥ 0 to have a solution

\Rightarrow $\boxed{s \leq r+2}$ maximum number of coexisting phases for an r -component system is $r+2$