

Dissemination of University Research through CAPE-OPEN

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About Bjørn Maribo-Mogensen

- Academic Background
 - 2005-2010: BSc, MSc Chemical Engineering, DTU
 - 2010-now: PhD Student, CERE, DTU
- Professional Experience
 - 2006-2008: Student programmer, Haldor Topsøe
 - 2009-2010: Student programmer, CERE, DTU
 - 2011-now: Software Manager, CERE, DTU
- 12+ years of experience with software development
 - C, C++, C#, FORTRAN, Databases, Web, ...

Outline of Presentation

The Center for Energy Resources Engineering

Overview of CAPE-OPEN Activities at CERE

Chemicals in Gas Processing (CHIGP)

- The Cubic Plus Association Equation of State (CPA)

ThermoSystem 4.0

- Software engineering with research code...

New Challenges

- Electrolytes with VLE / VLLE... in CAPE-OPEN?

The Center for Energy Resources Engineering

Interdisciplinary center

- Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Compute, Space
- Chairman: Erling H. Stenby

Facts

- Formed in 2009 from IVC-SEP
- 11 faculty members, 15+ postdocs+senior researchers, 25+ PhD students

Expertise

- Chemical engineering thermodynamics
- Geology & petrophysics
- Mathematical modeling & Geostatistics

Industrial Consortium 2013



The History of CAPE-OPEN in CERE

- CERE develops models for prediction and correlation of physical properties as well as models for processing equipment
- CAPE-OPEN effort was initiated by Prof. Erling H. Stenby at IVC-SEP in 2003 in collaboration with BP
- CAPE-OPEN plays a key role in the joint industry projects (JIPs) at DTU CERE
 - Allows our thermodynamic models to be used on a daily basis by process engineers for e.g. designing novel processes with more accurate physical properties
 - Allows international collaboration without code sharing

Overview of CERE Thermodynamics Software

Stand-Alone

SPECS

DLLs

MATLAB add-in

CAPE-OPEN

ThermoSystem

- CPA (CHIGP)
- sPC-SAFT
- Soave Redlich-Kwong
- Peng-Robinson

.NET C# CAPE-OPEN Library

- Thermodynamic models
- Unit Operations

Aspen Plus User Models

Extended UNIQUAC

CPA

Chemicals in Gas Processing

Development
of CPA

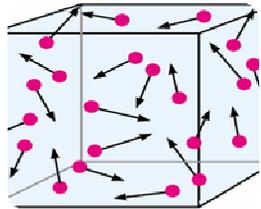
Experiments

CHIGP

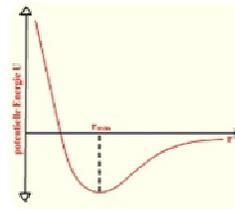
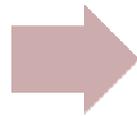
Robust
Algorithms

Dissemination/
Software

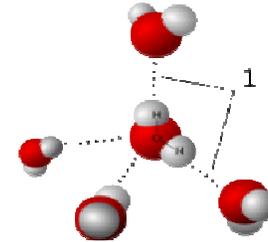
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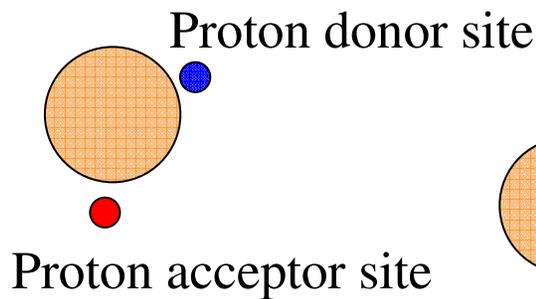
Ideal gas



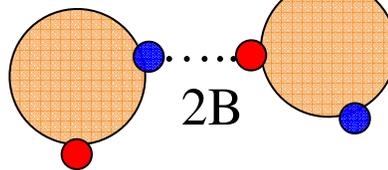
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Forces (SRK)



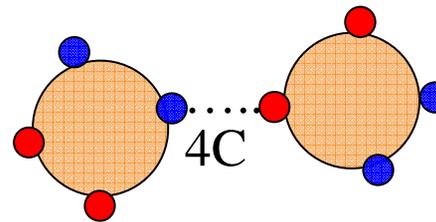
Hydrogen
bonding (SAFT)



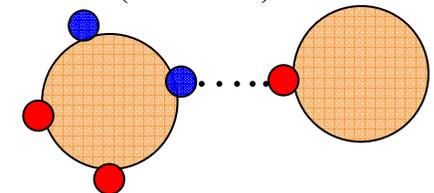
Alkanols
R-OH



Water, glycols



Benzene-water
(Solvation)



Kontogeorgis et al. Ind. Eng. Chem. Res. (1996), 35 (11), 4310-4318

The Cubic Plus Association (CPA) EoS

$$P = \frac{RT}{V_m - b} - \frac{a(T)}{V_m(V_m + b)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{RT}{V_m} \left(1 + \frac{1}{V_m} \frac{\partial \ln g}{\partial (1/V_m)} \right) \sum_i x_i \sum_{A_i} (1 - X_{A_i})$$

Pure component parameters
(3 or 5) are fitted to vapor
pressure/liquid density

Associating components are
given an association scheme

Binary interaction parameters
 k_{ij} fitted to binary data

Three physical parameters

b_i Co-volume parameter

Γ_i Attractive energy at T_c

c_1 Soave α -function T-dependency

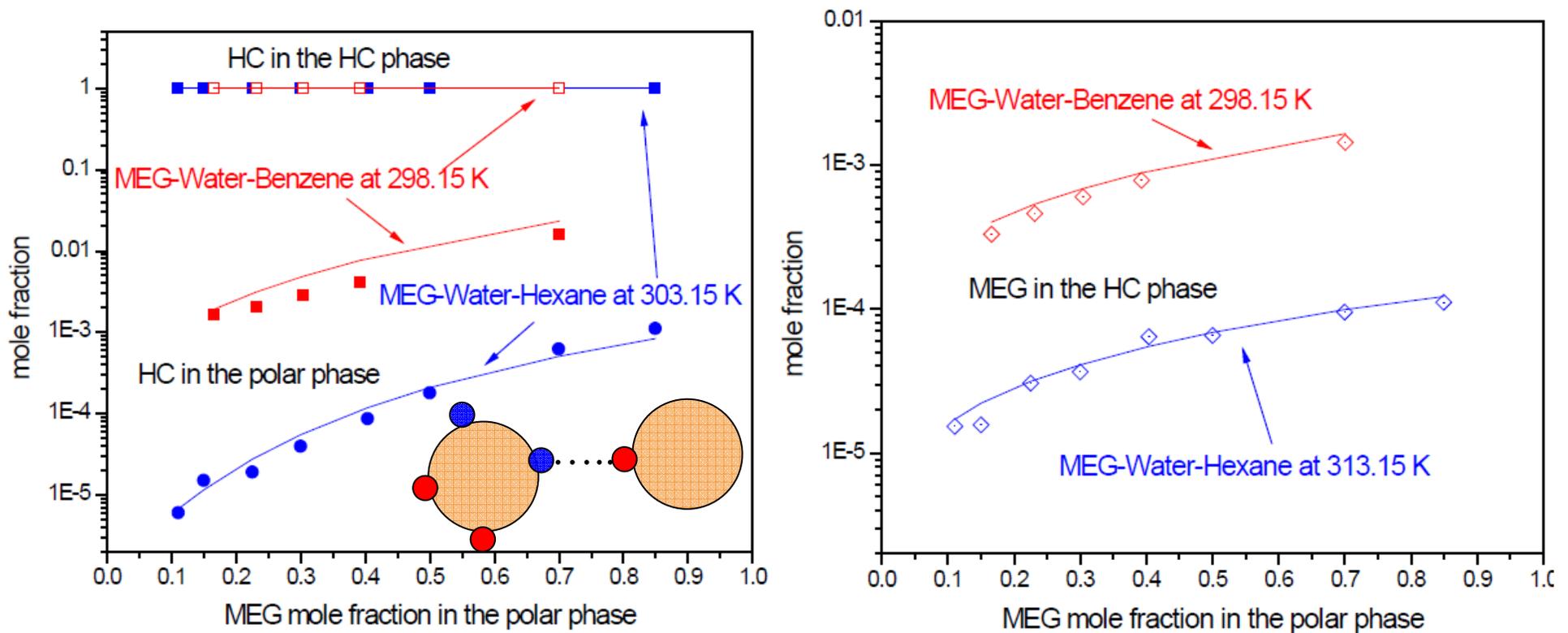
Two association parameters

β Association strength

ε Association energy

MEG-Water-Hexane vs. MEG-water-benzene

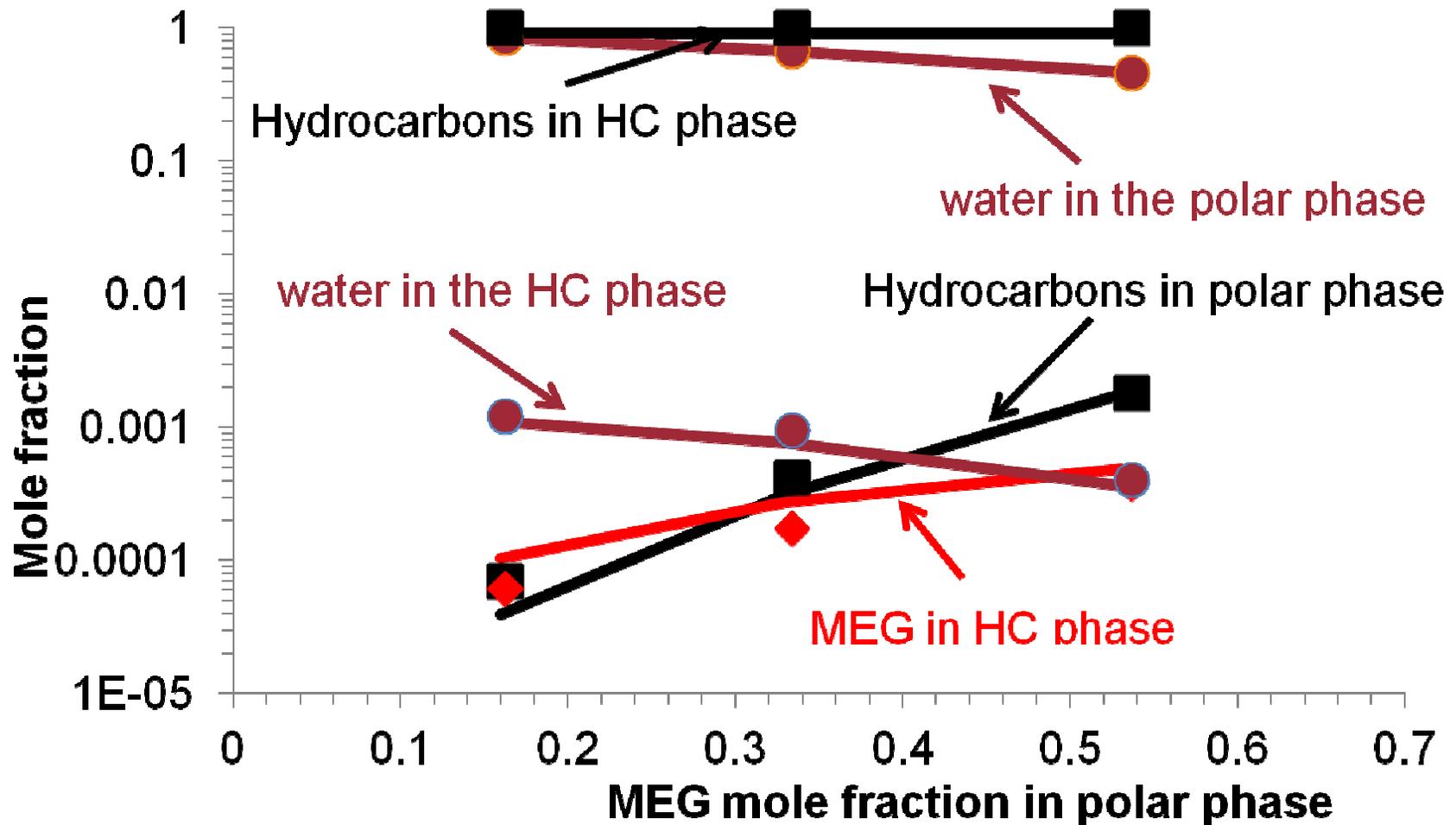
Kontogeorgis, Tsivintzelis et al. 2011, Fluid Phase Equilibria, 301: 244



Exp. Data: Razzouk et al., 2010, J.Chem.Eng.Data, 55: 1468

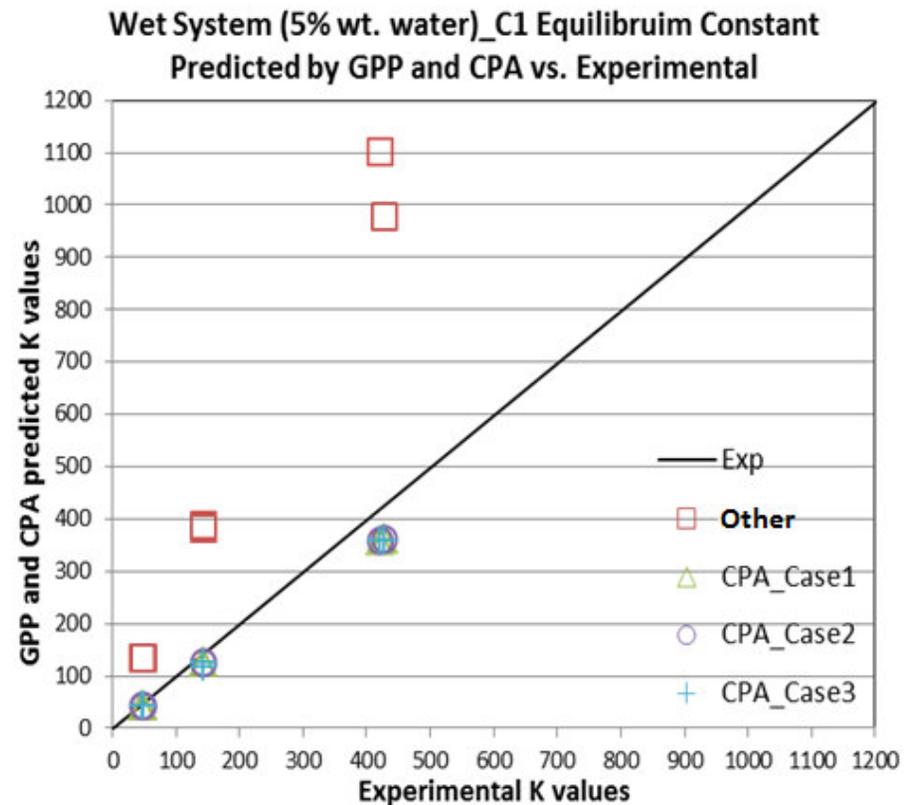
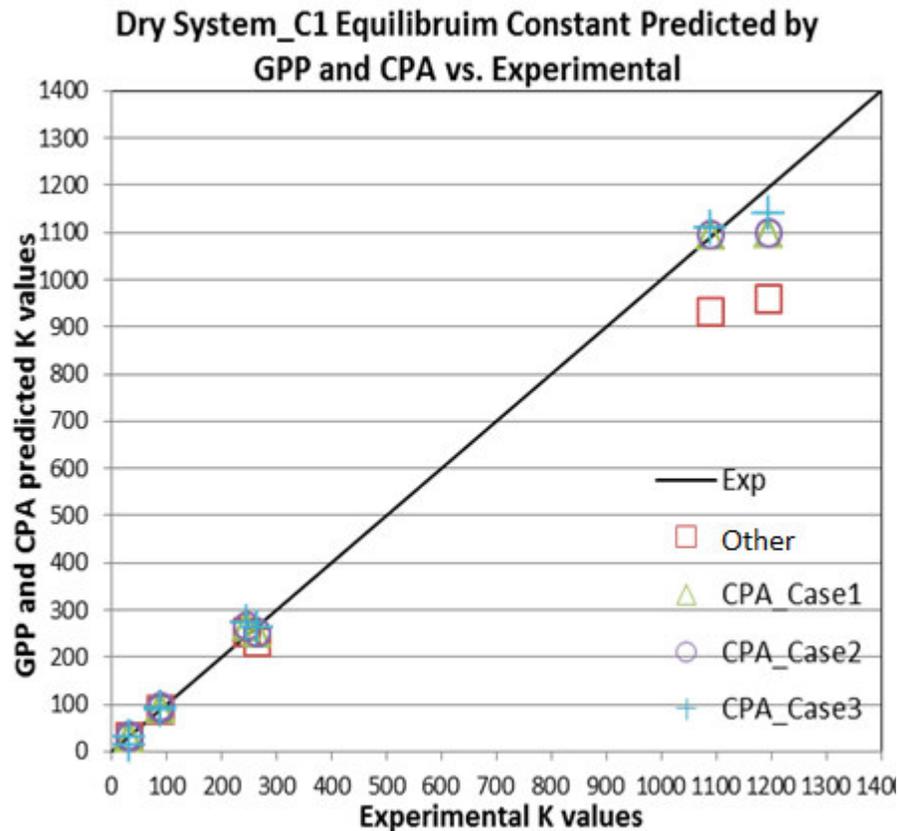
Modeling: Folas et al., 2006, J. Chem. Eng. Data, 51 : 977

Condensate-1 + MEG + Water, $T = 313.15\text{K}$



BTEX emissions in TEG-Water-Methane-BTEX

- Unpublished results, Alay Arya (2013)
- BTEX: Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, O-Xylene. Solvation parameters from 1 aromatic



Current research highlights

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Oil mixtures (the role of aromaticity)

Acid Gases (H_2S , CO_2)

Prediction of dew point and gas hydrate formation in natural gas and condensates

Electrolytes (brines and beyond)

Sulfur-containing compounds (mercaptans)

Biodiesel mixtures

Phase behavior during catalyzed oxidation in supercritical CO_2

Ionic liquids-water systems

Dissemination of results with ThermoSystem

- ThermoSystem consists of:
 - A user interface for the parameter database
 - A CAPE-OPEN Property Package for CPA, PC-SAFT, PR, SRK
 - An Aspen Plus User Model for CPA
 - A stand-alone DLL for CPA
- Parameter database with user interface for exporting to CAPE-OPEN and Aspen Plus Input Files
 - 150+ pure components
 - 250+ binary interaction parameters

Towards ThermoSystem 4.0

- CERE has 10 years of experience with CAPE-OPEN
 - ..and PME-specific Aspen Plus User Models
 - Proof of concept: models are now being used actively in industry
 - Has increased the degree of direct collaboration with industry
- More users = greater responsibility
- We need to worry about new aspects (which universities are not always too familiar with)
 - Quality assurance and automated testing
 - Code maintainability
 - Code extensibility
 - Improving user interfaces
 - Support

From Research Code to PMC

- PMC code must be robust
 - Or at least inform the user that something is wrong
 - Problems may or may not be caught by automated testing
- PMCs should allow multiple property package instances
 - But many researchers use FORTRAN with global variables...
- The CAPE-OPEN interfaces can be tricky
- And what about the end user?
 - GUI's are helpful in translating from experts to users
- And finally – a support structure is needed to handle requests and questions from users

ERE ThermoSystem

List of packages

Glycols
PA
PA2
AcBenzene
AcWatBenz
nannis1
ATGAS

Compounds and model in selected package

Package: Glycols

Model: Cubic Plus Association (CPA)

Component	CAS id	Formula
water	7732-18-5	H2O
ethylene glycol	107-21-1	C2H6O2
diethylene glycol	111-46-6	C4H10O3
triethylene glycol	112-27-6	C6H14O4
methane	74-82-8	CH4

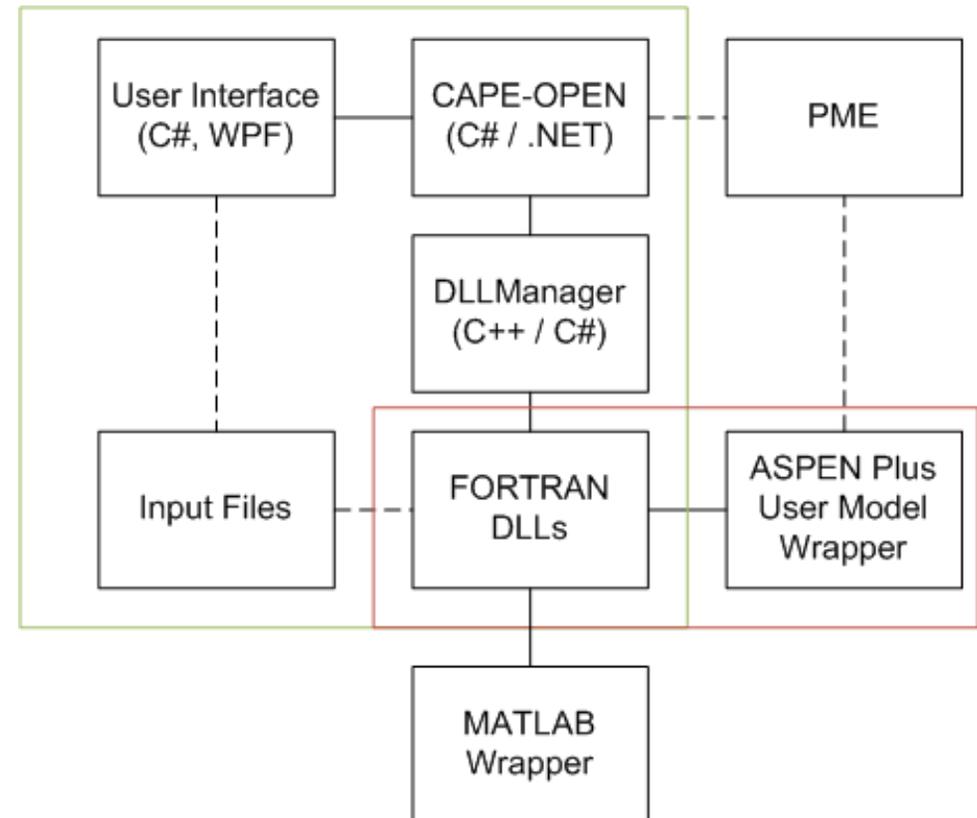
 Create New Package Edit Selected Package Delete Selected Package Export Package

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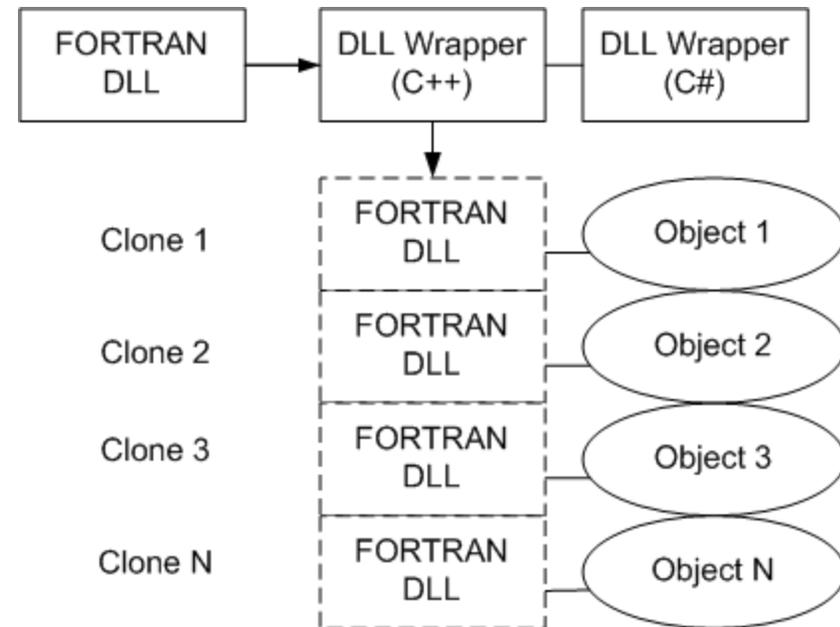
ThermoSystem 4.0

- New robust engine for thermodynamic models
- CAPE-OPEN .NET library for v/1.0 and 1.1
 - No persistence interfaces
- MATLAB / Aspen Plus User Model wrappers
- New user interface
- Quality assurance
 - Automated testing
 - Code documentation
 - Extensibility



DLL Wrapper for Support of Multiple Instances

- FORTRAN DLLs use global variables
- Time does not permit rewriting the modules as object-oriented
- A simple DLL wrapper was written that clones the original DLL, allowing us to form unique objects



CAPE-OPEN .NET Library

- ThermoSystem 3.x was based on a proof-of-concept C++ code. Focus was **not** on maintainability.
- ThermoSystem 4.0 is uses a CAPE-OPEN .NET library (1.0/1.1). *CO AM 2011 at ECCE-8 in Berlin*
- Conversion to/from CAPE-OPEN types is done by the library. Module needs just interfacing with FORTRAN.

Original CAPE-OPEN ICapeThermoPropertyPackage:

```
public void CalcSinglePhaseProp(object props, string phaseLabel)
{
    Parse properties
    Calculate requested properties and set all values in the material object
}
```

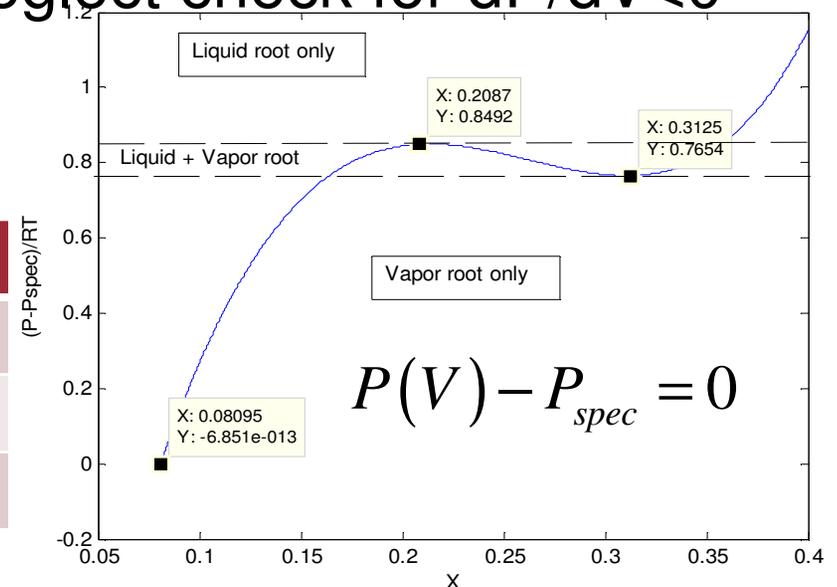
Object deriving from CapeThermoPropertyPackage in library

```
public override bool CalcSinglePhaseProp(SinglePhaseProperty Property, Derivative[] Derivatives,
                                          Phase PhaseType, double Temperature, double Pressure,
                                          double[] Composition, out Basis[] basis, out object[] values)
{
    Call thermodynamic routine and return requested property and optionally derivatives in values
}
```

The importance of robust routines

- The engineers must receive reliable results – PME is not responsible for errors in PMC
- PME-PMC communication may involve unphysical questions; e.g. calc. liquid fugacity of methane at 25°C..
- Example at 10°C, 5 bar if we neglect check for $dP/dV < 0$ and return wrong volume
- False result from P-T flash

Comp.	Feed	Phase 1	Phase 2
Ethane	0.50003	.772 (.998)	3e-3 (2.5e-4)
MEG	0.03383	.009 (3e-6)	0.08 (.068)
Water	0.46617	.219 (2e-3)	0.92 (.932)

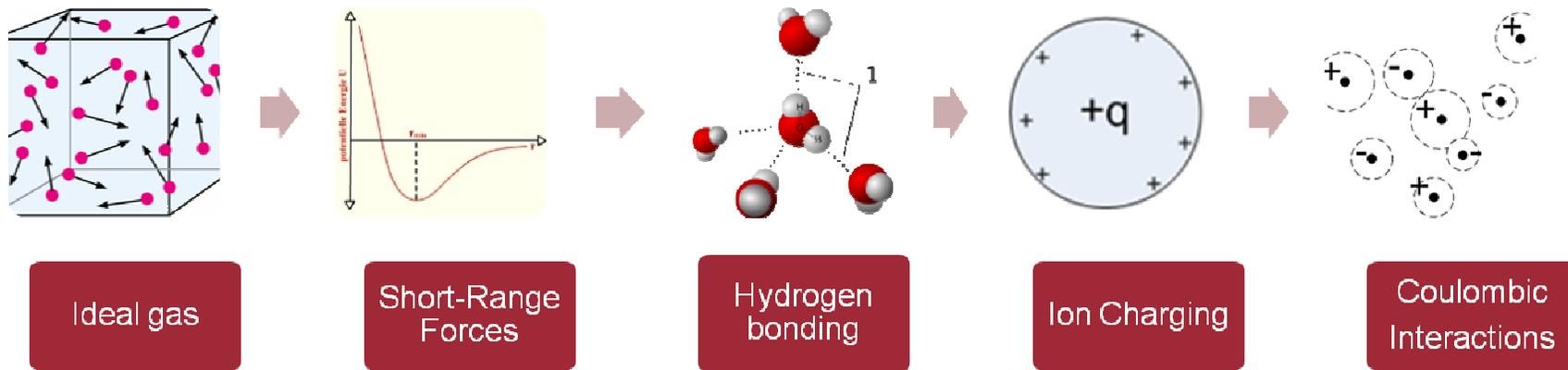


Missing on the TODO

- We miss a few usability interfaces
 - Persistence interfaces for our Thermo Packages for PME's that support this
 - User interface must open on Edit()
- Include DTU Flash routines
 - Currently we ship with a simple 2-phase PT flash
 - Currently, we recommend the use of the built-in flashes
 - Recent analysis has revealed problems with this approach – not only in relation to performance, but also robustness
- Include the electrolyte-CPA EoS

Property Models with Electrolytes

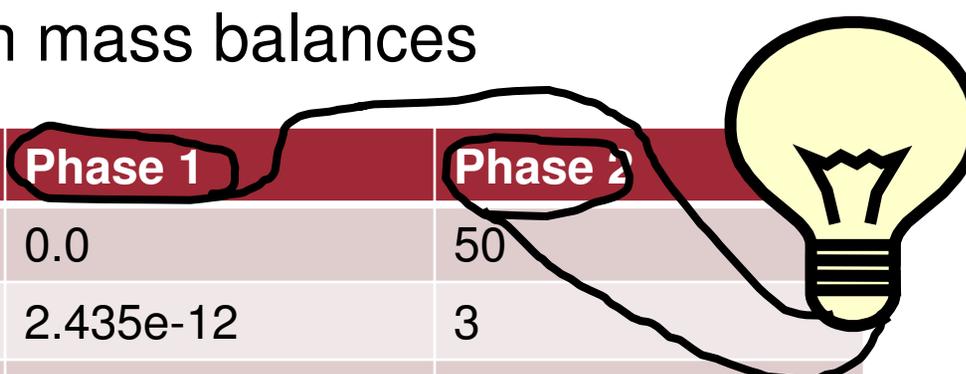
- e-CPA: electrolyte extension for CPA
- Handles electrolytes in mixed solvent systems
- Must handle VLLSE in mixtures with oil/gas/brine and gas hydrate inhibitors (methanol, ethanol, glycols)
- Solids: Gas hydrates and scaling
- Future: also chemicals (e.g. for gas sweetening)



Electrolyte VLLE using standard PT-flash

- VLLE with electrolytes
- Electrolytes always come in pairs – anions and cations
- Charge balance must be obeyed – but normal PT flash routines are only based on mass balances

	Feed [mol]	Phase 1	Phase 2
Water	50	0.0	50
Isopropanol	3	2.435e-12	3
Na ₂ SO ₄	1	-	-
Na ⁺	-	1.6595	0.3404
SO ₄ ⁻⁻	-	0.0247	0.9753
Charge	0	+1.61	-1.61



Including Chemical Equilibrium

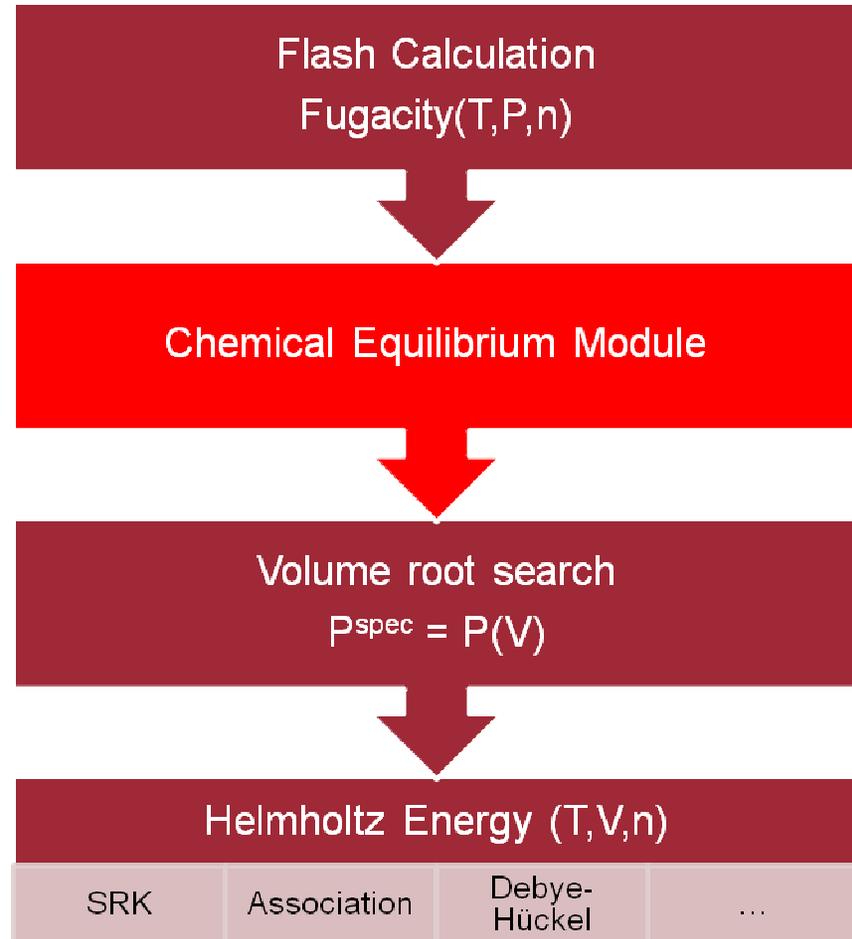
Hides complexity from flash routine

- Flash uses apparent composition
- Charge balance always satisfied
- Physical properties are calculated with true composition

$$\ln x_i^{\text{app}} \hat{\phi}_i^{\text{app}} = \ln x_i^{\text{true}} \hat{\phi}_i^{\text{true}}$$

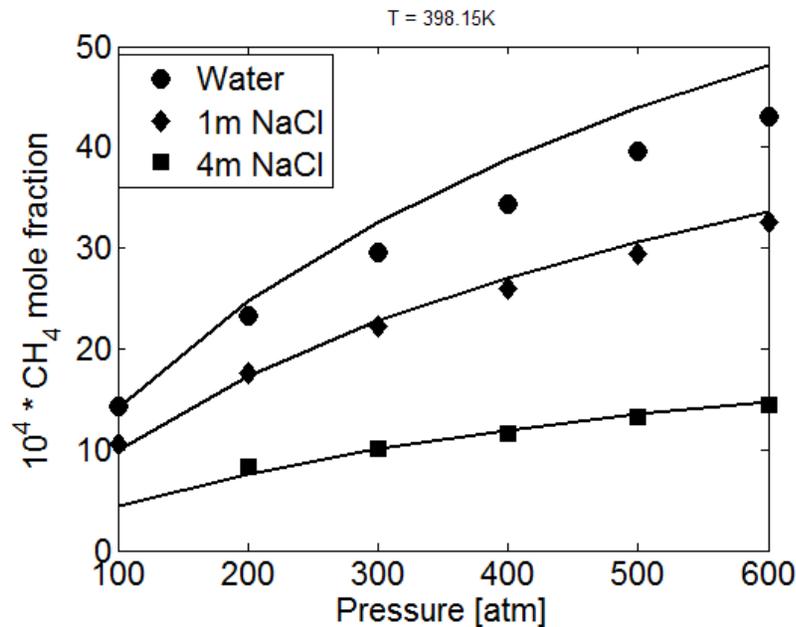
Impossible for external routines to calculate SLE

- Apparent components provides insufficient speciation for SLE
- Ion activity coefficients are only available inside the module



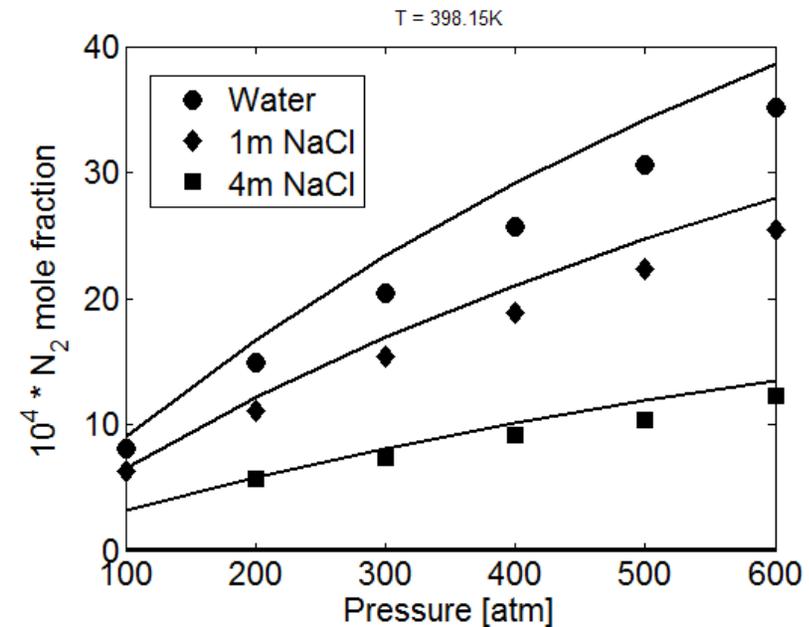
Light Gas Solubility Predictions

Methane in Water @ 125°C



$$k_{ij} = 0.7988 - 236.5/T \text{ (H}_2\text{O-CH}_4\text{)}$$

Nitrogen in Water @ 125°C



$$k_{ij} = 1.0741 - 368.3/T \text{ (H}_2\text{O-N}_2\text{)}$$

Data from: T. D. O'Sullivan, N. O. Smith, J. Phys. Chem. 74 (7), 1970, 1460-1466

It's not a perfect world...

- PME support for CAPE-OPEN is not always complete
 - Solid-liquid equilibria is not widely supported
 - Not all PME's support the persistence interfaces...
 - Distribution of property package file together with process simulation is prone to errors
- PME specific implementations may in some cases overcome the limitations
 - Aspen Plus User models for CPA and Extended UNIQUAC...
 - Varies from company to company (depending on the preferred choice of process simulator)
 - APUM is more widely used for CO₂-capture and chemicals
 - But this results in more interfaces to maintain...

What we look forward to seeing

- Improved integration of PMC model parameters in PME
 - Guidelines for defining pure component + binary interaction parameters that integrate into the PME property system
- Process flowsheet monitoring
 - Solid formation potential (wax, scaling, gas hydrates)
 - Identification of regions operating near critical conditions – this may cause the property model to be less accurate...
 - Recommendation of physical property models for different areas
 - Material selection (corrosion potential)
 - Heat integration
 - Environmental impact assessment

Thank You for Your Attention

- Questions?