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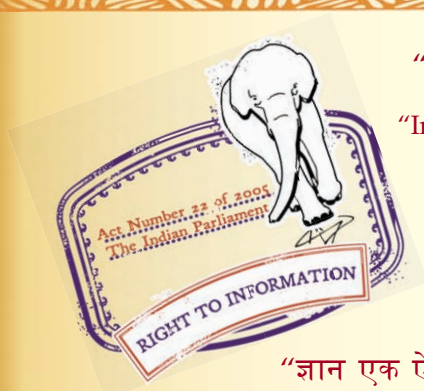
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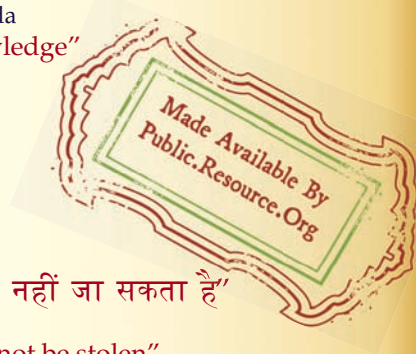
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## NATIONAL FOREWORD

This Indian Standard which is identical with ISO 6976 : 1995 'Natural gas — Calculation of calorific values, density, relative density and Wobbe index from composition' issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards on the recommendation of Natural Gas Sectional Committee and approval of the Petroleum, Coal and Related Products Division Council.

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## *Indian Standard*

# NATURAL GAS — CALCULATION OF CALORIFIC VALUES, DENSITY, RELATIVE DENSITY AND WOBBE INDEX FROM COMPOSITION

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies methods for the calculation of the superior calorific value, inferior calorific value, density, relative density and Wobbe index of dry natural gases, natural gas substitutes and other combustible gaseous fuels, when the composition of the gas by mole fraction is known. The methods provide a means of calculating the properties of the gas mixture at commonly used metric reference conditions.

The methods of calculation require values for various physical properties of the pure components; these values are provided in tables and their sources are identified.

Methods are given for estimating the precision of calculated properties.

The methods of calculation of the values of properties on either a molar or mass basis are applicable to any dry natural gas, natural gas substitute or other combustible fuel which is normally gaseous. For the calculation of the values of properties on a volumetric basis, the methods are restricted to gases consisting preponderantly of methane (not less than 0,5 mole fraction).

Examples of calculations are given in annex D for the recommended methods of calculation.

### NOTES

1 The symbols used in this International Standard, together with their meanings, are given in annex A.

2 The qualifiers "higher", "upper", "total" and "gross" are, for the purposes of this International Standard, synonymous with "superior"; likewise, "lower" and "net" are synonymous with "inferior". The term "heating value" is

synonymous with "calorific value"; "specific gravity" is synonymous with "relative density"; "Wobbe number" is synonymous with "Wobbe index"; "compressibility factor" is synonymous with "compression factor".

3 If the composition of the gas is known by volume fractions these must be converted to mole fractions (see annex C). Note, however, that the derived mole fractions will have uncertainties greater than those of the original volume fractions.

4 For the purposes of this International Standard, the sum of the mole fractions used must be unity to the nearest 0,000 1, and all components with mole fractions greater than 0,000 05 must be accounted for.

5 For the calorific value calculated on a volumetric basis, there are limitations on the amounts of components other than methane which may be present. It is impossible to be definitive on this matter, but the following guidelines may be useful:

$N_2$  should not be present in amounts exceeding 0,3 mole fraction;

$CO_2$  and  $C_2H_6$  should each not exceed 0,15 mole fraction;

no other component should exceed 0,05 mole fraction.

Given these limits, the expected trueness of the calculation is within 0,1 %.

6 The effects of water vapour on the calorific value, either directly measured or calculated, are discussed in annex E.

7 For the methods of calculation described to be valid, the gas must be above its hydrocarbon dew-point at the prescribed reference conditions.

8 The values of basic physical property data are subject to revision as more accurate values become available from authoritative sources.



## 2 Definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definitions apply.

**2.1 superior calorific value:** The amount of heat which would be released by the complete combustion in air of a specified quantity of gas, in such a way that the pressure  $p_1$  at which the reaction takes place remains constant, and all the products of combustion are returned to the same specified temperature  $t_1$  as that of the reactants, all of these products being in the gaseous state except for water formed by combustion, which is condensed to the liquid state at  $t_1$ .

Where the quantity of gas is specified on a molar basis, the calorific value is designated as  $\bar{H}_S(t_1, p_1)$ ; on a mass basis the calorific value is designated as  $\hat{H}_S(t_1, p_1)$ .

Where the quantity of gas is specified on a volumetric basis, the calorific value is designated as  $\bar{H}_S[t_1, p_1, V(t_2, p_2)]$ , where  $t_2$  and  $p_2$  are the gas volume (metering) reference conditions (see figure 1).

**2.2 inferior calorific value:** The amount of heat which would be released by the complete combustion in air of a specified quantity of gas, in such a way that the pressure  $p_1$  at which the reaction takes place remains constant, and all the products of combustion are returned to the same specified temperature  $t_1$  as that of the reactants, all of these products being in the gaseous state.

On molar, mass and volumetric bases, the inferior calorific value is designated respectively as  $\bar{H}_I(t_1, p_1)$ ,  $\hat{H}_I(t_1, p_1)$  and  $\bar{H}_I[t_1, p_1, V(t_2, p_2)]$ .

**2.3 density:** The mass of a gas sample divided by its volume at specified conditions of pressure and temperature.

**2.4 relative density:** The density of a gas divided by the density of dry air of standard composition (see annex B) at the same specified conditions of pressure and temperature. The term ideal relative density applies when both gas and air are considered as fluids which obey the ideal gas law (see 2.7); the term real relative density applies when both gas and air are considered as real fluids.

**2.5 Wobbe index:** The superior calorific value on a volumetric basis at specified reference conditions, divided by the square root of the relative density at the same specified metering reference conditions.

**2.6 enthalpy of transformation:** The enthalpy of transformation of a substance from state A to state B is thermodynamic terminology for the amount of heat release which accompanies the transformation between states. A **positive** heat release is taken by convention to be a numerically identical **negative** enthalpy increment. The quantities enthalpy of combustion and enthalpy of vaporization therefore have meanings which should be contextually self-evident; the term enthalpic correction refers to the (molar) enthalpy of transformation between the ideal and real states of a gas.

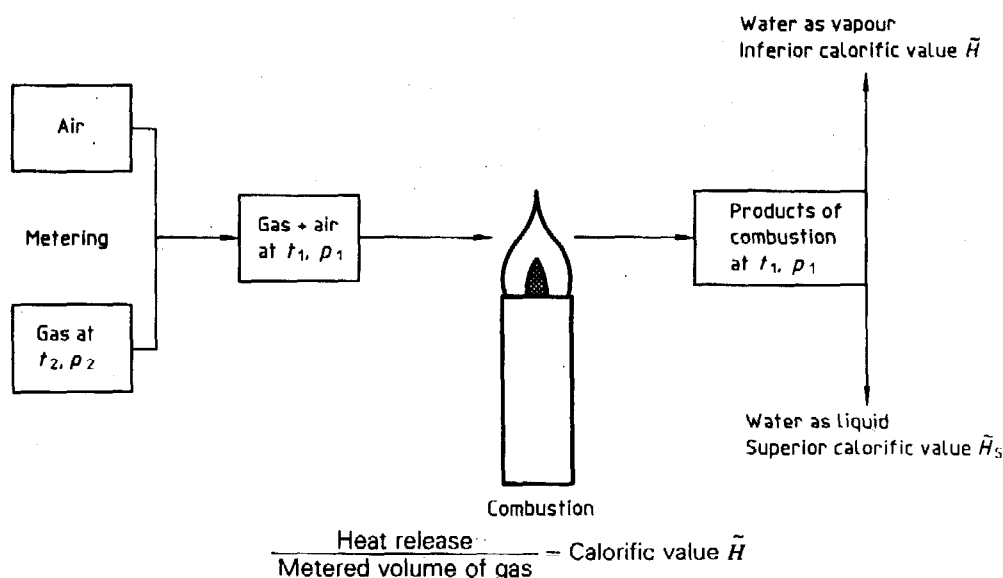


Figure 1 — Calorific value on a volumetric basis — Metering and combustion reference conditions

**2.7 ideal gas and real gas:** An ideal gas is one which obeys the ideal gas law:

$$p \cdot V_m = R \cdot T \quad \dots (1)$$

where

- $p$  is the absolute pressure;
- $T$  is the thermodynamic temperature;
- $V_m$  is the volume per mole of gas;
- $R$  is the molar gas constant, in coherent units.

No real gas obeys this law. For real gases, equation (1) must be rewritten as

$$p \cdot V_m = Z(T, p) \cdot R \cdot T \quad \dots (2)$$

where  $Z(T, p)$  is a variable, often close to unity, and is known as the compression factor (see 2.8 and E.2).

**2.8 compression factor:** The actual (real) volume of a given mass of gas at a specified pressure and temperature divided by its volume, under the same conditions, as calculated from the ideal gas law.

**2.9 combustion reference conditions:** The specified temperature  $t_1$  and pressure  $p_1$ . These are the conditions at which the fuel is notionally burned (see figure 1).

**2.10 metering reference conditions:** The specified temperature  $t_2$  and pressure  $p_2$ . These are the conditions at which the amount of fuel to be burned is notionally determined; there is no *a priori* reason for these to be the same as the combustion reference conditions (see figure 1).

NOTE 9 A range of reference conditions is in use throughout the world; appropriate data for the principal sets of metric reference conditions are given in tables in this International Standard.

**2.11 dry natural gas:** Gas which does not contain water vapour at a mole fraction greater than 0,000 05.

### 3 Principle

Methods are provided for the calculation of the calorific values, density, relative density and Wobbe index of any dry natural gas, natural gas substitute or other combustible gaseous fuel from a known composition. These methods use equations in which, for all individual molecular species of the gas mixture, the values of ideal-gas thermophysical properties (which are given) are weighted in accordance with the corre-

sponding mole fraction, all the terms then being added together to obtain the "mole fraction average" of the property for the ideal-gas mixture. Values on a volumetric basis are then converted to values for the real-gas state by applying a volumetric correction factor.

NOTE 10 An enthalpic correction factor which is also, in principle, required in calorific value calculations is deemed to be negligible in all relevant cases.

In clause 10, values are given for the physical properties of the pure components of natural gas on molar, mass and volumetric bases for the commonly used reference conditions. Examples of calculations are given in annex D.

## 4 Behaviour of ideal and real gases

### 4.1 Enthalpy of combustion

The most fundamental physical quantities required in the calculation of calorific values from first principles are the ideal-gas (standard) molar enthalpies of combustion for the component gases of the mixture. These quantities are complex functions of temperature; thus, the values required depend upon the combustion reference temperature  $t_1$ . For practical reasons, it is not intended that the user himself carries out calculations which give the appropriate values at any arbitrary combustion reference temperature. Instead, tabulations are given for the temperatures  $t_1 = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $15\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and  $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . In clause E.1 the derivations of the values tabulated are discussed; the important point is that all four values for any substance are mutually consistent in a thermodynamic sense.

For the calorific value (on any of the three possible bases), a so-called enthalpic correction is, in principle, required in order to convert the ideal-gas enthalpy of combustion for the gas mixture to a value appropriate to the real gas. This, however, is generally small enough to be negligible. A discussion justifying such neglect is given in clause E.3.

### 4.2 Calculation of compression factor

For the volumetric-basis calorific value, a second real-gas correction is required to account for the deviation of the gas from volumetric ideality, and this is generally not negligible. This correction is also required in the calculation of density, relative density and, by implication, Wobbe index. Clause E.2 gives the background to the way in which corrections for volumetric non-ideality should be applied, discusses the principles involved, and justifies the simplifications em-

played which enable tractable calculations to be made without necessitating machine computation.

Such corrections for volumetric non-ideality are made using the compression factor  $Z_{\text{mix}}$ . The formulation to be used for  $Z_{\text{mix}}$  at the metering reference conditions, as required for the calculations described in clauses 5 to 9, is (equation E.17):

$$Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2) = 1 - \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \sqrt{b_j} \right]^2 \quad \dots (3)$$

where the summation is taken over all  $N$  components of the mixture. Values of the so-called summation factor  $\sqrt{b_j}$  are given in table 2 (clause 10) at the three metering reference conditions of common interest, for all of the components of natural gas and substitute natural gas considered in this International Standard. Values are also given for all pure component compression factors (or hypothetical compression factors)  $Z_j$ , from which the  $b_j$ 's have generally been derived using the relationship  $b_j = 1 - Z_j$ . Any user requiring greater detail should consult clause E.2.

## 5 Calculation of calorific value on a molar basis

### 5.1 Ideal gas

The ideal-gas calorific value on a molar basis, at a temperature  $t_1$ , of a mixture of known composition is calculated from the equation

$$\bar{H}^o(t_1) = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \bar{H}_j^o(t_1) \quad \dots (4)$$

where

$\bar{H}^o(t_1)$  is the ideal molar calorific value of the mixture (either superior or inferior);

$\bar{H}_j^o(t_1)$  is the ideal molar calorific value of component  $j$  (either superior or inferior);

$x_j$  is the mole fraction of component  $j$ .

Numerical values of  $\bar{H}_j^o$  for  $t_1 = 25^\circ\text{C}$  are given in table 3 (clause 10); the values for  $(\bar{H}_j^o)_s$  are taken from the original literature sources cited in annex M, and the values for  $(\bar{H}_j^o)_l$  derived using the accepted value of the standard enthalpy of vaporization of water at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  (see annex B).

Values for  $\bar{H}_j^o$  for other temperatures ( $t_1 = 20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $15^\circ\text{C}$  and  $0^\circ\text{C}$ ) are also given in table 3; these values

have been derived from the  $25^\circ\text{C}$  values in accordance with the methods described in clause E.1.

### NOTES

11 Values of  $\bar{H}_j^o$  are independent of pressure; consequently the combustion reference pressure  $p_1$  is irrelevant for the ideal-gas case and is omitted from the nomenclature adopted.

12 The ideal-gas calorific value on a molar basis of a gas or gas mixture is defined in this International Standard as a positive number. The values given in table 3 are numerically equal to the standard molar enthalpies of combustion, which are, however, conventionally expressed as negative quantities (see 2.6).

### 5.2 Real gas

For the purposes of this International Standard the real-gas calorific value on a molar basis is taken as numerically equal to the corresponding ideal-gas value.

NOTE 13 A rigorous approach to the calculation of the real-gas calorific value on a molar basis from the ideal-gas value would require the calculation of an enthalpic correction (see 4.1) for the mixture. In practice, this correction is very small for typical natural gases, and can usually be neglected with resultant errors not exceeding  $50 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  (approximately 0,005 %) (see clause E.3).

## 6 Calculation of calorific value on a mass basis

### 6.1 Ideal gas

The ideal-gas calorific value on a mass basis, at a temperature  $t_1$ , of a mixture of known composition is calculated from the equation

$$\hat{H}^o(t_1) = \frac{\bar{H}^o(t_1)}{M} \quad \dots (5)$$

where

$M$  is the molar mass of the mixture, and is calculated from the equation

$$M = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j M_j \quad \dots (6)$$

$x_j$  being the mole fraction of component  $j$ ;

$M_j$  being the molar mass of component  $j$ ;

$\hat{H}^o(t_1)$  is the ideal calorific value on a mass basis of the mixture (either superior or inferior).

Table 1 (clause 10) lists values of the molar mass for all components considered in this International Standard.

Use of equations (5) and (6) represents the definitive method for calculating  $\hat{H}^o$ . An alternative method uses the equation

$$\hat{H}^o(t_1) = \sum_{j=1}^N \left( x_j \times \frac{M_j}{M} \right) \hat{H}_j^o(t_1) \quad \dots (7)$$

where  $\hat{H}_j^o(t_1)$  is the ideal calorific value on a mass basis of component  $j$  (either superior or inferior).

For convenience, values of  $\hat{H}_j^o$  for four values of  $t_1$  (25 °C, 20 °C, 15 °C and 0 °C) are given in table 4 (clause 10), in order that the user may avoid the necessity of using values of  $\hat{H}_j^o$  as the starting point of a calculation.

Numerical values obtained from either method will be concordant to within 0,01 MJ·kg<sup>-1</sup>, which is within the limits of significance for the current state-of-the-art.

## 6.2 Real gas

For the purposes of this International Standard, the real-gas calorific value on a mass basis is taken as numerically equal to the corresponding ideal-gas value.

NOTE 14 See 5.2 for clarification and justification.

## 7 Calculation of calorific value on a volumetric basis

### 7.1 Ideal gas

The ideal-gas calorific value on a volumetric basis, for a combustion temperature  $t_1$ , of a mixture of known composition, metered at a temperature  $t_2$  and pressure  $p_2$ , is calculated from the equation

$$\tilde{H}^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \bar{H}^o(t_1) \times \frac{p_2}{R \cdot T_2} \quad \dots (8)$$

where

$\tilde{H}^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]$  is the ideal calorific value on a volumetric basis of the mixture (either superior or inferior);

$R$  is the molar gas constant (= 8,314 510 J·mol<sup>-1</sup>·K<sup>-1</sup>, see clause B.1);

$T_2 (= t_2 + 273,15)$  is the absolute temperature, in kelvins.

The use of equation (8) represents the definitive method for calculating  $\tilde{H}^o$ . An alternative method uses the equation

$$\tilde{H}^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \tilde{H}_j^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] \quad \dots (9)$$

where  $\tilde{H}_j^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]$  is the ideal calorific value on a volumetric basis of component  $j$  (either superior or inferior).

For convenience, values of  $\tilde{H}_j^o$  for a variety of combustion and metering reference conditions are given in table 5 (clause 10), in order that the user may avoid the necessity of using values of  $\tilde{H}_j^o$  as the starting point of a calculation.

Numerical values obtained from either method will be concordant to within 0,01 MJ·m<sup>-3</sup>, which is within the limits of significance for the current state-of-the-art.

### 7.2 Real gas

The real-gas calorific value on a volumetric basis, for combustion at temperature  $t_1$  and pressure  $p_1$  of a gas mixture metered at a temperature  $t_2$  and pressure  $p_2$  is calculated from the equation

$$\tilde{H}[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)} \quad \dots (10)$$

where

$\tilde{H}[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]$  is the real-gas calorific value on a volumetric basis (either superior or inferior);

$Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)$  is the compression factor at the metering reference conditions.

The compression factor  $Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)$  is calculated from equation (3), using values of the summation factor  $\sqrt{b_j}$  given for individual pure substances in table 2 (clause 10).

NOTE 15 See 5.2 for clarification and justification of the practical approach to real-gas calorific values. Since no enthalpic correction is made to the ideal-gas calorific value on a volumetric basis in this calculation, the combustion reference pressure  $p_1$  is irrelevant and is omitted from the nomenclature adopted.

## 8 Calculation of relative density, density and Wobbe index

### 8.1 Ideal gas

The relative density of the ideal gas is independent of any reference state, and is calculated from the equation

$$d^o = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \times \frac{M_j}{M_{\text{air}}} \quad \dots (11)$$

where

- $d^o$  is the relative density of the ideal gas;
- $M_j$  is the molar mass of component  $j$ ;
- $M_{\text{air}}$  is the molar mass of dry air of standard composition.

Table 1 (clause 10) lists values of molar mass. Clause B.3 gives the composition of standard air; the derived value for  $M_{\text{air}}$  is 28,962 6 kg·kmol<sup>-1</sup>.

The density of the ideal gas depends upon its temperature  $t$  and pressure  $p$ , and is calculated from

$$\rho^o(t,p) = \left( \frac{p}{R \cdot T} \right) \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \cdot M_j \quad \dots (12)$$

where

- $\rho^o(t,p)$  is the density of the ideal gas;
- $R$  is the molar gas constant (= 8,314 510 J·mol<sup>-1</sup>·K<sup>-1</sup>, see clause B.1);
- $T$  (=  $t + 273,15$ ) is the absolute temperature, in kelvins.

The Wobbe index of the ideal gas is calculated from the equation

$$W^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}_S^o[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{\sqrt{d^o}} \quad \dots (13)$$

where

- $W^o$  is the Wobbe index of the ideal gas;
- $\tilde{H}_S^o$  is calculated as described in 7.1.

### 8.2 Real gas

The relative density of the real gas is calculated from the equation

$$d(t,p) = \frac{d^o \cdot Z_{\text{air}}(t,p)}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t,p)} \quad \dots (14)$$

where

- $d(t,p)$  is the relative density of the real gas;
- $Z_{\text{mix}}(t,p)$  is the compression factor of the gas;
- $Z_{\text{air}}(t,p)$  is the compression factor of dry air of standard composition.

The compression factor  $Z_{\text{mix}}(t,p)$  is calculated from equation (3), using values of the summation factor  $\sqrt{b_j}$  given for individual pure substances in table 2 (clause 10). The compression factor  $Z_{\text{air}}(t,p)$  is given in clause B.3 as

$$Z_{\text{air}}(273,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999 \ 41$$

$$Z_{\text{air}}(288,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999 \ 58$$

$$Z_{\text{air}}(293,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999 \ 63$$

The density of the real gas is calculated from the equation

$$\rho(t,p) = \frac{\rho^o(t,p)}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t,p)} \quad \dots (15)$$

where  $\rho(t,p)$  is the density of the real gas.

The Wobbe index of the real gas is calculated from the equation

$$W[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}_S[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{\sqrt{d(t_2, p_2)}} \quad \dots (16)$$

where

- $W$  is the Wobbe index of the real gas;
- $\tilde{H}_S$  is calculated as described in 7.2.

NOTE 16 Some care in the use of units is required for the calculations described in this subclause, particularly for calculations of density. With  $R$  expressed in joules per mole kelvin,  $p$  in kilopascals and  $M$  in kilograms per kilomole, the value of  $\rho$  is obtained automatically in kilograms per cubic metre, the preferred SI unit

## 9 Accuracy

### 9.1 Precision

#### 9.1.1 Repeatability and reproducibility

The precision of a calculated physical property value, which results solely from random errors in the analytical procedures, may be expressed in terms of repeatability and/or reproducibility, where these are defined as follows.

**Repeatability:** The value below which the absolute difference between a pair of successive test results obtained using the same method, on identical test material, by the same operator, using the same apparatus, in the same laboratory, within a short interval of time, may be expected to lie with a specified probability. In the absence of other indications, the probability is 95 %.

**Reproducibility:** The value below which the absolute difference between two single test results obtained using the same method, on identical test material, by different operators, using different apparatus, in different laboratories, may be expected to lie with a specified probability. In the absence of other indications, the probability is 95 %.

The latter quantity is usually significantly larger than the former. Each measure of the precision of a calculated physical property depends only upon the precision of the analytical data.

The general concepts of repeatability and reproducibility may be applied not only to physical properties calculated from compositional analyses, but also to each component concentration in the analyses from which the properties are derived. Consequently, the repeatability or reproducibility of a physical property value may actually be obtained in either of two apparently equivalent ways, viz.

- a) By direct application of the above definitions to repeated calculations of the physical property in question, i.e. from the equation

$$\Delta Y = 2\sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1} \right]^{1/2} \quad \dots (17)$$

$\Delta Y$  is either the repeatability or reproducibility of  $Y$ , as appropriate;

$Y_i$  is the value of the physical property calculated from the  $i$ th analysis of the gas;

$\bar{Y}$  is the arithmetic mean of  $n$  values of  $Y_i$ .

NOTE 17 For definitions of repeatability and reproducibility, their interpretation in terms of the standard deviation of the population of values as given by equation (17), and for the origin of the factor  $2\sqrt{2}$  therein, see for example reference [26] in annex M.

- b) By combining, in an appropriate manner, the repeatability or reproducibility of the concentration of each component in the gas analysis; the appropriate combination formulae are given in 9.1.2 and 9.1.3 (for the derivation of these equations, see annex H).

NOTE 18 The equivalence of a) and b) in practice as opposed to principle is open to discussion. This is because the statistical link between the methods assumes that the repeatedly measured analytical values are distributed in a Gaussian (normal) fashion for each component concentration, and that this is also the case for the set of calculated physical property values. Experience has shown that these criteria are not usually met, especially for small data sets and/or sets containing outliers.

#### 9.1.2 Estimation of repeatability

The repeatability  $\Delta H$ , at a 95 % confidence level, of the calorific value  $H$  may be calculated either from equation (17) (with  $Y$  replaced by  $H$ ), or directly from the analytical data, using the appropriate expression, as follows:

- a) When all components except methane are analysed, the methane ( $j = 1$ ) concentration being calculated by difference, then

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0 = \left\{ \sum_{j=2}^N [\Delta x_j (H_j^0 - H_1^0)]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (18)$$

where

$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0$  is the repeatability of the calculated ideal-gas calorific value (molar or volumetric basis) for the mixture;

$\Delta x_j$  is the repeatability of the mole fraction of component  $j$  in the mixture of  $N$  components;

$H_j^0$  is the ideal-gas calorific value of component  $j$ ;

$H_1^0$  is the ideal-gas calorific value of methane.

- b) When all components including methane are analysed, then

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0 = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N [\Delta x_j \cdot (H_j^0 - H_{\text{mix}}^0)]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (19)$$

where, although  $H_{\text{mix}}^0$  is calculated using the normalized mole fractions  $x_j$ ,  $\Delta x_j$  is the repeatability of the mole fraction of component  $j$  in the mixture of  $N$  components before normalization is carried out.

The repeatability  $\Delta d$  of the relative density and  $\Delta \rho$  of the density may be calculated from the following equations, respectively:

$$\Delta d = \frac{\Delta M}{M_{\text{air}}} \quad \dots (20)$$

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{\Delta M \cdot p}{R \cdot T} \quad \dots (21)$$

where  $\Delta M$  is the repeatability of the mean molar mass  $M$  of the natural gas, given by

— for case a):

$$\Delta M = \left\{ \sum_{j=2}^N [\Delta x_j \cdot (M_j - M_1)]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (22)$$

— For case b):

$$\Delta M = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N [\Delta x_j \cdot (M_j - M)]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (23)$$

where  $M_j$  is the molar mass of component  $j$ .

The repeatability  $\Delta W$  of the Wobbe index may be calculated from the equation

$$\Delta W = W \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{\Delta \tilde{H}}{\tilde{H}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Delta d}{2d} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad \dots (24)$$

As for the calorific value, the repeatabilities  $\Delta M$ ,  $\Delta d$ ,  $\Delta \rho$  and  $\Delta W$  may also be determined by calculation of the standard deviation of a set of calculated property values [i.e., from equation (17) with  $Y$  replaced by  $M$ ,  $d$ ,  $\rho$  or  $W$ , as appropriate] where the compositional analyses have been carried out in accordance with the definition of repeatability given in 9.1.1. However, the provision given in note 18 to 9.1.1 still applies.

NOTE 19 The contribution of the repeatability  $\Delta Z$  of the calculated compression factor  $Z$  to the overall repeatability  $\Delta H$  of the calorific value on a volumetric basis is small, and is therefore ignored in the above formulation; likewise, the contribution of  $\Delta Z$  to the overall repeatability  $\Delta \rho$  of the real-gas density,  $\Delta d$  of the real-gas relative density and  $\Delta W$  of the real-gas Wobbe index is also ignored.

### 9.1.3 Estimation of reproducibility

The reproducibilities  $\Delta H$ ,  $\Delta d$ ,  $\Delta \rho$  and  $\Delta W$  of the calorific values, relative density, density and Wobbe index may be calculated by means of the equations (18) to (24) inclusive, provided that the  $\Delta x_j$  and  $\Delta x_j^*$  in equations (18), (19), (22) and (23) are now identified as the appropriate reproducibilities of the mole fractions  $x_j$ . The reproducibilities may also be determined from the calculation of  $2\sqrt{2}$  times the standard deviation of the population of calculated values of  $H$ ,  $d$ ,  $\rho$  or  $W$ , using equation (17), where the analyses of compositions have been carried out in accordance with the definition of reproducibility given in 9.1.1.

## 9.2 Trueness

Observations of the precision of analytical data cannot be regarded as carrying any implication for the trueness of those data; it is entirely possible to achieve excellent precision at the same time as very bad trueness.

The absolute trueness of a calculated physical property value of a natural gas mixture may be considered as resulting from the combination of three independent sources of systematic error, viz.

- uncertainties in the basic data given in tables 1 to 5;
- bias in the method of calculation which uses these data;
- uncertainties (as distinct from random imprecision) in the analytical data used as input to the method.

In practice, it is difficult to make calculations of trueness due to the lack of adequate information; for example, reference back to original sources of basic data often reveals information concerning precision only (see, in this context, the discussion of methane given in annex G), and the same is often true for analytical data. In addition, a rigorous approach would provide an absolute uncertainty, whereas what is often required in practice is an estimate of the uncertainty of a physical property value relative to some datum point. For example, calorific values are often

referenced to the calorific value of pure methane; consequently any uncertainty in the assumed calorific value of methane does not contribute to the relative uncertainty of the calorific value of a natural gas, or to the difference between the calorific values of two different natural gases.

Experience has shown that the relative uncertainties of the physical property values considered herein will be most strongly influenced by uncertainties in the analytical data, and that contributions from uncertainties in basic data and bias in the method of calculation will be very small. The contributions from the basic data are expected to be less than 0,05 % and from bias in the method of calculation to be less than 0,015 %. These contributions may be neglected when compared to the uncertainty in the analytical data from the analysis of a typical natural gas mixture containing 12 to 20 components.

For those cases where the contributions from uncertainties in the basic data and from bias in the method of calculation are significant when compared with the analytical uncertainty (for example, for the high accuracy analysis of mixtures of only a few components,

and possibly in the future, when the accuracy of natural gas analysis has improved), a more rigorous approach, based on a), b) and c), may be necessary.

### 9.3 Expression of results

The number of significant figures which are given for the value of each property should reflect the expected accuracy of calculation of the property in question. Even in the case of a "perfect" analysis, the results of calculations for mixtures should be reported to no better than the following levels of significance.

|                   |                     |                            |
|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Calorific value   | — molar basis:      | 0,01 kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>  |
|                   | — mass basis:       | 0,01 MJ·kg <sup>-1</sup>   |
|                   | — volumetric basis: | 0,01 MJ·m <sup>-3</sup>    |
| Relative density: |                     | 0,000 1                    |
| Density:          |                     | 0,000 1 kg·m <sup>-3</sup> |
| Wobbe index:      |                     | 0,01 MJ·m <sup>-3</sup>    |

However, attention must be paid to whether the analytical data do in fact justify quoting to this level of supposed significance and, if not, the number of significant figures quoted should be reduced accordingly.



## 10 Tables of recommended data

**Table 1 — Molar mass for components of natural gases**

| Component |                        | Values<br>kg·kmol <sup>-1</sup> |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1         | Methane                | 16,043                          |
| 2         | Ethane                 | 30,070                          |
| 3         | Propane                | 44,097                          |
| 4         | <i>n</i> -Butane       | 58,123                          |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane        | 58,123                          |
| 6         | <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 72,150                          |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane         | 72,150                          |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane    | 72,150                          |
| 9         | <i>n</i> -Hexane       | 86,177                          |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane        | 86,177                          |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane        | 86,177                          |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane     | 86,177                          |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane     | 86,177                          |
| 14        | <i>n</i> -Heptane      | 100,204                         |
| 15        | <i>n</i> -Octane       | 114,231                         |
| 16        | <i>n</i> -Nonane       | 128,258                         |
| 17        | <i>n</i> -Decane       | 142,285                         |
| 18        | Ethylene               | 28,054                          |
| 19        | Propylene              | 42,081                          |
| 20        | 1-Butene               | 56,108                          |
| 21        | <i>cis</i> -2-Butene   | 56,108                          |
| 22        | <i>trans</i> -2-Butene | 56,108                          |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene        | 56,108                          |
| 24        | 1-Pentene              | 70,134                          |
| 25        | Propadiene             | 40,065                          |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene          | 54,092                          |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene          | 54,092                          |
| 28        | Acetylene              | 26,038                          |
| 29        | Cyclopentane           | 70,134                          |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane     | 84,161                          |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane      | 98,188                          |
| 32        | Cyclohexane            | 84,161                          |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane      | 98,188                          |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane       | 112,215                         |
| 35        | Benzene                | 78,114                          |
| 36        | Toluene                | 92,141                          |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene           | 106,167                         |
| 38        | <i>o</i> -Xylene       | 106,167                         |

| Component |                     | Values<br>kg·kmol <sup>-1</sup> |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 39        | Methanol            | 32,042                          |
| 40        | Methanethiol        | 48,109                          |
| 41        | Hydrogen            | 2,015 9                         |
| 42        | Water               | 18,015 3                        |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide    | 34,082                          |
| 44        | Ammonia             | 17,030 6                        |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide    | 27,026                          |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide     | 28,010                          |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide    | 60,076                          |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide    | 76,143                          |
| 49        | Helium              | 4,002 6                         |
| 50        | Neon                | 20,179 7                        |
| 51        | Argon               | 39,948                          |
| 52        | Nitrogen            | 28,013 5                        |
| 53        | Oxygen              | 31,998 8                        |
| 54        | Carbon dioxide      | 44,010                          |
| 55        | Sulfur dioxide      | 64,065                          |
| 56        | Dinitrogen monoxide | 44,012 9                        |
| 57        | Krypton             | 83,80                           |
| 58        | Xenon               | 131,29                          |
|           | Air                 | 28,962 6                        |

NOTE — Values of the molar mass are numerically identical to values of relative molecular mass obtained using the following relative atomic masses for the major elements involved, where the figure in brackets is the uncertainty in the last digit quoted (see reference [14] in annex M):

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| C | 12,011 (1)    |
| H | 1,007 94 (7)  |
| O | 15,999 4 (3)  |
| N | 14,006 74 (7) |
| S | 32,066 (6)    |

For compounds containing C and/or S the derived molar mass has been rounded to the third decimal place; for other compounds the fourth decimal place is given. The value for dry air of standard composition (see table B.2) is also given to four decimal places.

**Table 2 — Compression factors and summation factors for components of natural gases at various metering reference conditions**

All values, except for summation factors for hydrogen, helium (recalculated) and neon (estimated), are taken or inferred from reference [13] in annex M.

| Component |                        | 0 °C, 101,325 kPa |            | 15 °C, 101,325 kPa |            | 20 °C, 101,325 kPa |            |
|-----------|------------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
|           |                        | Z                 | $\sqrt{b}$ | Z                  | $\sqrt{b}$ | Z                  | $\sqrt{b}$ |
| 1         | Methane                | 0,997 6           | 0,049 0    | 0,998 0            | 0,044 7    | 0,998 1            | 0,043 6    |
| 2         | Ethane                 | 0,990 0           | 0,100 0    | 0,991 5            | 0,092 2    | 0,992 0            | 0,089 4    |
| 3         | Propane                | 0,978 9           | 0,145 3    | 0,982 1            | 0,133 8    | 0,983 4            | 0,128 8    |
| 4         | <i>n</i> -Butane       | 0,957 2           | 0,206 9    | 0,965 0            | 0,187 1    | 0,968 2            | 0,178 3    |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane        | 0,958             | 0,204 9    | 0,968              | 0,178 9    | 0,971              | 0,170 3    |
| 6         | <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 0,918             | 0,286 4    | 0,937              | 0,251 0    | 0,945              | 0,234 5    |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane         | 0,937             | 0,251 0    | 0,948              | 0,228 0    | 0,953              | 0,216 8    |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane    | 0,943             | 0,238 7    | 0,955              | 0,212 1    | 0,959              | 0,202 5    |
| 9         | <i>n</i> -Hexane       | 0,892             | 0,328 6    | 0,913              | 0,295 0    | 0,919              | 0,284 6    |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane        | 0,898             | 0,319 4    | 0,914              | 0,293 3    | 0,926              | 0,272 0    |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane        | 0,898             | 0,319 4    | 0,917              | 0,288 1    | 0,928              | 0,268 3    |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane     | 0,916             | 0,289 8    | 0,931              | 0,262 7    | 0,935              | 0,255 0    |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane     | 0,910             | 0,300 0    | 0,925              | 0,273 9    | 0,934              | 0,256 9    |
| 14        | <i>n</i> -Heptane      | 0,830             | 0,412 3    | 0,866              | 0,366 1    | 0,876              | 0,352 1    |
| 15        | <i>n</i> -Octane       | 0,742             | 0,507 9    | 0,802              | 0,445 0    | 0,817              | 0,427 8    |
| 16        | <i>n</i> -Nonane       | 0,613             | 0,622 1    | 0,710              | 0,538 5    | 0,735              | 0,514 8    |
| 17        | <i>n</i> -Decane       | 0,434             | 0,752 3    | 0,584              | 0,645 0    | 0,623              | 0,614 0    |
| 18        | Ethylene               | 0,992 5           | 0,086 6    | 0,993 6            | 0,080 0    | 0,994 0            | 0,077 5    |
| 19        | Propylene              | 0,981             | 0,137 8    | 0,984              | 0,126 5    | 0,985              | 0,122 5    |
| 20        | 1-Butene               | 0,965             | 0,187 1    | 0,970              | 0,173 2    | 0,972              | 0,167 3    |
| 21        | <i>cis</i> -2-Butene   | 0,961             | 0,197 5    | 0,967              | 0,181 7    | 0,969              | 0,176 1    |
| 22        | <i>trans</i> -2-Butene | 0,961             | 0,197 5    | 0,968              | 0,178 9    | 0,969              | 0,176 1    |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene        | 0,965             | 0,187 1    | 0,971              | 0,170 3    | 0,972              | 0,167 3    |
| 24        | 1-Pentene              | 0,938             | 0,249 0    | 0,949              | 0,225 8    | 0,952              | 0,219 1    |
| 25        | Propadiene             | 0,980             | 0,141 4    | 0,983              | 0,130 4    | 0,984              | 0,126 5    |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene          | 0,955             | 0,212 1    | 0,963              | 0,192 4    | 0,965              | 0,187 1    |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene          | 0,966             | 0,184 4    | 0,971              | 0,170 3    | 0,973              | 0,164 3    |
| 28        | Acetylene              | 0,991             | 0,094 9    | 0,993              | 0,083 7    | 0,993              | 0,083 7    |
| 29        | Cyclopentane           | 0,935             | 0,255 0    | 0,947              | 0,230 2    | 0,950              | 0,223 6    |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane     | 0,902             | 0,313 0    | 0,921              | 0,281 1    | 0,927              | 0,270 2    |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane      | 0,841             | 0,398 7    | 0,876              | 0,352 1    | 0,885              | 0,339 1    |
| 32        | Cyclohexane            | 0,897             | 0,320 9    | 0,918              | 0,286 4    | 0,924              | 0,275 7    |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane      | 0,855             | 0,380 8    | 0,886              | 0,337 6    | 0,894              | 0,325 6    |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane       | 0,770             | 0,479 6    | 0,824              | 0,419 5    | 0,838              | 0,402 5    |
| 35        | Benzene                | 0,909             | 0,301 7    | 0,926              | 0,272 0    | 0,936              | 0,253 0    |
| 36        | Toluene                | 0,849             | 0,388 6    | 0,883              | 0,342 1    | 0,892              | 0,328 6    |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene           | 0,764             | 0,485 8    | 0,823              | 0,420 7    | 0,837              | 0,403 7    |
| 38        | <i>o</i> -Xylene       | 0,737             | 0,512 8    | 0,804              | 0,442 7    | 0,821              | 0,423 1    |
| 39        | Methanol               | 0,773             | 0,476 4    | 0,872              | 0,357 8    | 0,892              | 0,328 6    |
| 40        | Methanethiol           | 0,972             | 0,167 3    | 0,977              | 0,151 7    | 0,978              | 0,148 3    |
| 41        | Hydrogen               | 1,000 6           | -0,004 0   | 1,000 6            | -0,004 8   | 1,000 6            | -0,005 1   |
| 42        | Water                  | 0,930             | 0,264 6    | 0,945              | 0,234 5    | 0,952              | 0,219 1    |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide       | 0,990             | 0,100 0    | 0,990              | 0,100 0    | 0,990              | 0,100 0    |
| 44        | Ammonia                | 0,985             | 0,122 5    | 0,988              | 0,109 5    | 0,989              | 0,104 9    |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide       | 0,887             | 0,336 2    | 0,912              | 0,296 6    | 0,920              | 0,282 8    |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide        | 0,999 3           | 0,026 5    | 0,999 5            | 0,022 4    | 0,999 6            | 0,020 0    |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide       | 0,985             | 0,122 5    | 0,987              | 0,114 0    | 0,988              | 0,109 5    |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide       | 0,954             | 0,214 5    | 0,962              | 0,194 9    | 0,965              | 0,187 1    |
| 49        | Helium                 | 1,000 5           | 0,000 6    | 1,000 5            | 0,000 2    | 1,000 5            | 0,000 0    |
| 50        | Neon                   | 1,000 5           | 0,000 6    | 1,000 5            | 0,000 2    | 1,000 5            | 0,000 0    |
| 51        | Argon                  | 0,999 0           | 0,031 6    | 0,999 2            | 0,028 3    | 0,999 3            | 0,026 5    |
| 52        | Nitrogen               | 0,999 5           | 0,022 4    | 0,999 7            | 0,017 3    | 0,999 7            | 0,017 3    |
| 53        | Oxygen                 | 0,999 0           | 0,031 6    | 0,999 2            | 0,028 3    | 0,999 3            | 0,026 5    |
| 54        | Carbon dioxide         | 0,993 3           | 0,081 9    | 0,994 4            | 0,074 8    | 0,994 7            | 0,072 8    |
| 55        | Sulfur Dioxide         | 0,976             | 0,154 9    | 0,979              | 0,144 9    | 0,980              | 0,141 4    |
|           | Air                    | 0,999 41          | —          | 0,999 58           | —          | 0,999 63           | —          |

**Table 3 — Calorific values for components of natural gases at various combustion reference conditions for the ideal gas on a molar basis**

All values of  $\bar{H}_S^0$  (25 °C), except for methane (see annex G), are taken from reference [13] in annex M: values of  $\bar{H}_S^0$  ( $t_1 \neq 25$  °C) and all values of  $\bar{H}_I^0$  ( $t_1$ ) are obtained by a specified calculation from  $\bar{H}_S^0$  (25 °C) (see clause E.1).

| Component |                        | Ideal calorific value on a molar basis, $\bar{H}^0$ (kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> ) |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|           |                        | 25 °C                                                                       |          | 20 °C    |          | 15 °C    |          | 0 °C     |          |
|           |                        | Superior                                                                    | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior |
| 1         | Methane                | 890,63                                                                      | 802,60   | 891,09   | 802,65   | 891,56   | 802,69   | 892,97   | 802,82   |
| 2         | Ethane                 | 1 560,69                                                                    | 1 428,64 | 1 561,41 | 1 428,74 | 1 562,14 | 1 428,84 | 1 564,34 | 1 429,12 |
| 3         | Propane                | 2 219,17                                                                    | 2 043,11 | 2 220,13 | 2 043,23 | 2 221,10 | 2 043,37 | 2 224,01 | 2 043,71 |
| 4         | <i>n</i> -Butane       | 2 877,40                                                                    | 2 657,32 | 2 878,57 | 2 657,45 | 2 879,76 | 2 657,60 | 2 883,82 | 2 658,45 |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane        | 2 868,20                                                                    | 2 648,12 | 2 869,38 | 2 648,26 | 2 870,58 | 2 648,42 | 2 874,20 | 2 648,83 |
| 6         | <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 3 535,77                                                                    | 3 271,67 | 3 537,17 | 3 271,83 | 3 538,60 | 3 272,00 | 3 542,89 | 3 272,45 |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane         | 3 528,83                                                                    | 3 264,73 | 3 530,24 | 3 264,89 | 3 531,68 | 3 265,08 | 3 535,98 | 3 265,54 |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane    | 3 514,61                                                                    | 3 250,51 | 3 516,01 | 3 250,67 | 3 517,43 | 3 250,83 | 3 521,72 | 3 251,28 |
| 9         | <i>n</i> -Hexane       | 4 194,95                                                                    | 3 886,84 | 4 196,58 | 3 887,01 | 4 198,24 | 3 887,21 | 4 203,23 | 3 887,71 |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane        | 4 187,32                                                                    | 3 879,21 | 4 188,95 | 3 879,38 | 4 190,62 | 3 879,59 | 4 195,61 | 3 880,09 |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane        | 4 189,90                                                                    | 3 881,79 | 4 191,54 | 3 881,97 | 4 193,22 | 3 882,19 | 4 198,24 | 3 882,72 |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane     | 4 177,52                                                                    | 3 869,41 | 4 179,15 | 3 869,59 | 4 180,83 | 3 869,80 | 4 185,84 | 3 870,32 |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane     | 4 185,28                                                                    | 3 877,17 | 4 186,93 | 3 877,36 | 4 188,60 | 3 877,57 | 4 193,63 | 3 878,11 |
| 14        | <i>n</i> -Heptane      | 4 853,43                                                                    | 4 501,30 | 4 855,29 | 4 501,49 | 4 857,18 | 4 501,72 | 4 862,87 | 4 502,28 |
| 15        | <i>n</i> -Octane       | 5 511,80                                                                    | 5 115,66 | 5 513,88 | 5 115,87 | 5 516,01 | 5 116,11 | 5 522,40 | 5 116,73 |
| 16        | <i>n</i> -Nonane       | 6 171,15                                                                    | 5 730,99 | 6 173,46 | 5 731,22 | 6 175,82 | 5 731,49 | 6 182,91 | 5 732,17 |
| 17        | <i>n</i> -Decane       | 6 829,77                                                                    | 6 345,59 | 6 832,31 | 6 345,85 | 6 834,90 | 6 346,14 | 6 842,69 | 6 346,88 |
| 18        | Ethylene               | 1 411,18                                                                    | 1 323,15 | 1 411,65 | 1 323,20 | 1 412,11 | 1 323,24 | 1 413,51 | 1 323,36 |
| 19        | Propylene              | 2 058,02                                                                    | 1 925,97 | 2 058,72 | 1 926,05 | 2 059,43 | 1 926,13 | 2 061,57 | 1 926,35 |
| 20        | 1-Butene               | 2 716,82                                                                    | 2 540,76 | 2 717,75 | 2 540,86 | 2 718,70 | 2 540,97 | 2 721,55 | 2 541,25 |
| 21        | <i>cis</i> -2-Butene   | 2 710,0                                                                     | 2 533,9  | 2 711,0  | 2 534,1  | 2 711,9  | 2 534,2  | 2 714,9  | 2 534,6  |
| 22        | <i>trans</i> -2-Butene | 2 706,4                                                                     | 2 530,3  | 2 707,4  | 2 530,5  | 2 708,3  | 2 530,5  | 2 711,1  | 2 530,8  |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene        | 2 700,2                                                                     | 2 524,1  | 2 701,1  | 2 524,2  | 2 702,0  | 2 524,3  | 2 704,8  | 2 524,5  |
| 24        | 1-Pentene              | 3 375,42                                                                    | 3 155,34 | 3 376,57 | 3 155,45 | 3 377,75 | 3 155,59 | 3 381,29 | 3 155,92 |
| 25        | Propadiene             | 1 943,11                                                                    | 1 855,08 | 1 943,53 | 1 855,08 | 1 943,96 | 1 855,09 | 1 945,25 | 1 855,10 |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene          | 2 593,79                                                                    | 2 461,74 | 2 594,45 | 2 461,78 | 2 595,12 | 2 461,82 | 2 597,13 | 2 461,91 |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene          | 2 540,77                                                                    | 2 408,72 | 2 541,43 | 2 408,76 | 2 542,10 | 2 408,80 | 2 544,13 | 2 408,91 |
| 28        | Acetylene              | 1 301,05                                                                    | 1 257,03 | 1 301,21 | 1 256,98 | 1 301,37 | 1 256,94 | 1 301,86 | 1 256,79 |
| 29        | Cyclopentane           | 3 319,59                                                                    | 3 099,51 | 3 320,88 | 3 099,76 | 3 322,19 | 3 100,03 | 3 326,14 | 3 100,77 |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane     | 3 969,44                                                                    | 3 705,34 | 3 970,93 | 3 705,59 | 3 972,46 | 3 705,86 | 3 977,04 | 3 706,60 |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane      | 4 628,47                                                                    | 4 320,36 | 4 630,19 | 4 320,63 | 4 631,95 | 4 320,92 | 4 637,27 | 4 321,75 |
| 32        | Cyclohexane            | 3 952,96                                                                    | 3 688,86 | 3 954,47 | 3 689,13 | 3 956,02 | 3 689,42 | 3 960,67 | 3 690,23 |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane      | 4 600,64                                                                    | 4 292,53 | 4 602,35 | 4 292,78 | 4 604,09 | 4 293,06 | 4 609,34 | 4 293,82 |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane       | 5 263,05                                                                    | 4 910,92 | 5 264,96 | 4 911,19 | 5 266,95 | 4 911,49 | 5 272,88 | 4 912,29 |
| 35        | Benzene                | 3 301,43                                                                    | 3 169,38 | 3 302,15 | 3 169,48 | 3 302,86 | 3 169,56 | 3 305,03 | 3 169,81 |
| 36        | Toluene                | 3 947,89                                                                    | 3 771,83 | 3 948,84 | 3 771,95 | 3 949,81 | 3 772,08 | 3 952,72 | 3 772,42 |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene           | 4 607,15                                                                    | 4 387,07 | 4 608,32 | 4 387,20 | 4 609,53 | 4 387,37 | 4 613,14 | 4 387,77 |
| 38        | <i>o</i> -Xylene       | 4 596,31                                                                    | 4 376,23 | 4 597,46 | 4 376,34 | 4 598,64 | 4 376,48 | 4 602,17 | 4 376,80 |
| 39        | Methanol               | 764,09                                                                      | 676,06   | 764,59   | 676,14   | 765,09   | 676,22   | 766,59   | 676,44   |
| 40        | Methanethiol           | 1 239,39                                                                    | 1 151,36 | 1 239,83 | 1 151,39 | 1 240,28 | 1 151,41 | 1 241,63 | 1 151,48 |
| 41        | Hydrogen               | 285,83                                                                      | 241,81   | 285,99   | 241,76   | 286,15   | 241,72   | 286,63   | 241,56   |
| 42        | Water <sup>1)</sup>    | 44,016                                                                      | 0        | 44,224   | 0        | 44,433   | 0        | 45,074   | 0        |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide       | 562,01                                                                      | 517,99   | 562,19   | 517,97   | 562,38   | 517,95   | 562,94   | 517,87   |
| 44        | Ammonia                | 382,81                                                                      | 316,79   | 383,16   | 316,82   | 383,51   | 316,86   | 384,57   | 316,96   |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide       | 671,5                                                                       | 649,5    | 671,6    | 649,5    | 671,7    | 649,5    | 671,9    | 649,4    |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide        | 282,98                                                                      | 282,98   | 282,95   | 282,95   | 282,91   | 282,91   | 282,80   | 282,80   |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide       | 548,23                                                                      | 548,23   | 548,19   | 548,19   | 548,15   | 548,15   | 548,01   | 548,01   |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide       | 1 104,49                                                                    | 1 104,49 | 1 104,41 | 1 104,41 | 1 104,32 | 1 104,32 | 1 104,06 | 1 104,06 |

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**Table 4 — Calorific values for components of natural gases at various combustion reference conditions for the ideal gas on a mass basis**

All values have been obtained by dividing the appropriate  $\bar{H}^0$  value from table 3 by the appropriate molar mass (before rounding) from table 1.

| Component |                     | Ideal calorific value on a mass basis, $\hat{H}^0$ (MJ·kg <sup>-1</sup> ) |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|           |                     | 25 °C                                                                     |          | 20 °C    |          | 15 °C    |          | 0 °C     |          |
|           |                     | Superior                                                                  | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior |
| 1         | Methane             | 55,516                                                                    | 50,029   | 55,545   | 50,032   | 55,574   | 50,035   | 55,662   | 50,043   |
| 2         | Ethane              | 51,90                                                                     | 47,51    | 51,93    | 47,51    | 51,95    | 47,52    | 52,02    | 47,53    |
| 3         | Propane             | 50,33                                                                     | 46,33    | 50,35    | 46,34    | 50,37    | 46,34    | 50,44    | 46,35    |
| 4         | n-Butane            | 49,51                                                                     | 45,72    | 49,53    | 45,72    | 49,55    | 45,72    | 49,62    | 45,74    |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane     | 49,35                                                                     | 45,56    | 49,37    | 45,56    | 49,39    | 45,57    | 49,45    | 45,57    |
| 6         | n-Pentane           | 49,01                                                                     | 45,35    | 49,03    | 45,35    | 49,04    | 45,35    | 49,10    | 45,36    |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane      | 48,91                                                                     | 45,25    | 48,93    | 45,25    | 48,95    | 45,25    | 49,01    | 45,26    |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane | 48,71                                                                     | 45,05    | 48,73    | 45,05    | 48,75    | 45,06    | 48,81    | 45,06    |
| 9         | n-Hexane            | 48,68                                                                     | 45,10    | 48,70    | 45,10    | 48,72    | 45,11    | 48,77    | 45,11    |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane     | 48,59                                                                     | 45,01    | 48,61    | 45,02    | 48,63    | 45,02    | 48,69    | 45,02    |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane     | 48,62                                                                     | 45,04    | 48,64    | 45,05    | 48,66    | 45,05    | 48,72    | 45,06    |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane  | 48,48                                                                     | 44,90    | 48,49    | 44,90    | 48,51    | 44,91    | 48,57    | 44,91    |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane  | 48,57                                                                     | 44,99    | 48,59    | 44,99    | 48,60    | 45,00    | 48,66    | 45,00    |
| 14        | n-Heptane           | 48,44                                                                     | 44,92    | 48,45    | 44,92    | 48,47    | 44,93    | 48,53    | 44,93    |
| 15        | n-Octane            | 48,25                                                                     | 44,78    | 48,27    | 44,79    | 48,29    | 44,79    | 48,34    | 44,79    |
| 16        | n-Nonane            | 48,12                                                                     | 44,68    | 48,13    | 44,69    | 48,15    | 44,69    | 48,21    | 44,69    |
| 17        | n-Decane            | 48,00                                                                     | 44,60    | 48,02    | 44,60    | 48,04    | 44,60    | 48,09    | 44,61    |
| 18        | Ethylene            | 50,30                                                                     | 47,16    | 50,32    | 47,17    | 50,34    | 47,17    | 50,39    | 47,17    |
| 19        | Propylene           | 48,91                                                                     | 45,77    | 48,92    | 45,77    | 48,94    | 45,77    | 48,99    | 45,78    |
| 20        | 1-Butene            | 48,42                                                                     | 45,28    | 48,44    | 45,29    | 48,46    | 45,29    | 48,51    | 45,29    |
| 21        | cis-2-Butene        | 48,30                                                                     | 45,16    | 48,32    | 45,16    | 48,33    | 45,17    | 48,39    | 45,17    |
| 22        | trans-2-Butene      | 48,24                                                                     | 45,10    | 48,25    | 45,10    | 48,27    | 45,10    | 48,32    | 45,11    |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene     | 48,13                                                                     | 44,99    | 48,14    | 44,99    | 48,16    | 44,99    | 48,21    | 44,99    |
| 24        | 1-Pentene           | 48,13                                                                     | 44,99    | 48,14    | 44,99    | 48,16    | 44,99    | 48,21    | 45,00    |
| 25        | Propadiene          | 48,50                                                                     | 46,30    | 48,51    | 46,30    | 48,52    | 46,30    | 48,55    | 46,30    |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene       | 47,95                                                                     | 45,51    | 47,96    | 45,51    | 47,98    | 45,51    | 48,01    | 45,51    |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene       | 46,97                                                                     | 44,53    | 46,98    | 44,53    | 47,00    | 44,53    | 47,03    | 44,53    |
| 28        | Acetylene           | 49,97                                                                     | 48,28    | 49,97    | 48,28    | 49,98    | 48,27    | 50,00    | 48,27    |
| 29        | Cyclopentane        | 47,33                                                                     | 44,19    | 47,35    | 44,20    | 47,37    | 44,20    | 47,43    | 44,21    |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane  | 47,16                                                                     | 44,03    | 47,18    | 44,03    | 47,20    | 44,03    | 47,25    | 44,04    |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane   | 47,14                                                                     | 44,00    | 47,16    | 44,00    | 47,17    | 44,01    | 47,23    | 44,01    |
| 32        | Cyclohexane         | 46,97                                                                     | 43,83    | 46,99    | 43,83    | 47,01    | 43,84    | 47,06    | 43,85    |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane   | 46,86                                                                     | 43,72    | 46,87    | 43,72    | 46,89    | 43,72    | 46,94    | 43,73    |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane    | 46,90                                                                     | 43,76    | 46,92    | 43,77    | 46,94    | 43,77    | 46,99    | 43,78    |
| 35        | Benzene             | 42,26                                                                     | 40,57    | 42,27    | 40,58    | 42,28    | 40,58    | 42,31    | 40,58    |
| 36        | Toluene             | 42,85                                                                     | 40,94    | 42,86    | 40,94    | 42,87    | 40,94    | 42,90    | 40,94    |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene        | 43,40                                                                     | 41,32    | 43,41    | 41,32    | 43,42    | 41,33    | 43,45    | 41,33    |
| 38        | o-Xylene            | 43,29                                                                     | 41,22    | 43,30    | 41,22    | 43,31    | 41,22    | 43,35    | 41,23    |
| 39        | Methanol            | 23,85                                                                     | 21,10    | 23,86    | 21,10    | 23,88    | 21,10    | 23,92    | 21,11    |
| 40        | Methanethiol        | 25,76                                                                     | 23,93    | 25,77    | 23,93    | 25,78    | 23,93    | 25,81    | 23,93    |
| 41        | Hydrogen            | 141,79                                                                    | 119,95   | 141,87   | 119,93   | 141,95   | 119,91   | 142,19   | 119,83   |
| 42        | Water <sup>1)</sup> | 2,44                                                                      | 0        | 2,45     | 0        | 2,47     | 0        | 2,50     | 0        |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide    | 16,49                                                                     | 15,20    | 16,50    | 15,20    | 16,50    | 15,20    | 16,52    | 15,19    |
| 44        | Ammonia             | 22,48                                                                     | 18,60    | 22,50    | 18,60    | 22,52    | 18,61    | 22,58    | 18,61    |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide    | 24,85                                                                     | 24,03    | 24,85    | 24,03    | 24,85    | 24,03    | 24,86    | 24,03    |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide     | 10,10                                                                     | 10,10    | 10,10    | 10,10    | 10,10    | 10,10    | 10,10    | 10,10    |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide    | 9,13                                                                      | 9,13     | 9,12     | 9,12     | 9,12     | 9,12     | 9,12     | 9,12     |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide    | 14,51                                                                     | 14,51    | 14,50    | 14,50    | 14,50    | 14,50    | 14,50    | 14,50    |

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Table 5 — Calorific values for components of natural gases at various combustion and metering reference conditions for the ideal gas on a volumetric basis.

All values have been obtained by multiplying the appropriate  $\bar{H}^0$  value from table 3 by  $p_2/R \cdot T_2$ .

| Component |                     | Ideal calorific value on a volumetric basis $\bar{H}^0$ (MJ·m <sup>-3</sup> ) |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|           |                     | 15/15 °C                                                                      |          | 0/0 °C   |          | 15/0 °C  |          | 25/0 °C  |          | 20/20 °C |          | 25/20 °C |          |
|           |                     | Superior                                                                      | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior | Superior | Inferior |
| 1         | Methane             | 37,706                                                                        | 33,948   | 39,840   | 35,818   | 39,777   | 35,812   | 39,735   | 35,808   | 37,044   | 33,367   | 37,024   | 33,365   |
| 2         | Ethane              | 66,07                                                                         | 60,43    | 69,79    | 63,76    | 69,69    | 63,75    | 69,63    | 63,74    | 64,91    | 59,39    | 64,88    | 59,39    |
| 3         | Propane             | 93,94                                                                         | 86,42    | 99,22    | 91,18    | 99,09    | 91,16    | 99,01    | 91,15    | 92,29    | 84,94    | 95,25    | 84,93    |
| 4         | n-Butane            | 121,79                                                                        | 112,40   | 128,66   | 118,61   | 128,48   | 118,57   | 128,37   | 118,56   | 119,66   | 110,47   | 119,62   | 110,47   |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane     | 121,40                                                                        | 112,01   | 128,23   | 118,18   | 128,07   | 118,16   | 127,96   | 118,15   | 119,28   | 110,09   | 119,23   | 110,08   |
| 6         | n-Pentane           | 149,66                                                                        | 138,38   | 158,07   | 146,00   | 157,87   | 145,98   | 157,75   | 145,96   | 147,04   | 136,01   | 146,99   | 136,01   |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane      | 149,36                                                                        | 138,09   | 157,76   | 145,69   | 157,57   | 145,67   | 157,44   | 145,66   | 146,76   | 135,72   | 146,70   | 135,72   |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane | 148,76                                                                        | 137,49   | 157,12   | 145,06   | 156,93   | 145,04   | 156,80   | 145,02   | 146,16   | 135,13   | 146,11   | 135,13   |
| 9         | n-Hexane            | 177,55                                                                        | 164,40   | 187,53   | 173,45   | 187,30   | 173,43   | 187,16   | 173,41   | 174,46   | 161,59   | 174,39   | 161,58   |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane     | 177,23                                                                        | 164,08   | 187,19   | 173,11   | 186,96   | 173,09   | 186,82   | 173,07   | 174,14   | 161,27   | 174,07   | 161,26   |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane     | 177,34                                                                        | 164,19   | 187,30   | 173,23   | 187,08   | 173,20   | 186,93   | 173,19   | 174,25   | 161,38   | 174,18   | 161,37   |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane  | 176,82                                                                        | 163,66   | 186,75   | 172,67   | 186,53   | 172,65   | 186,38   | 172,63   | 173,73   | 160,86   | 173,66   | 160,86   |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane  | 177,15                                                                        | 163,99   | 187,10   | 173,02   | 186,87   | 173,00   | 186,73   | 172,98   | 174,05   | 161,19   | 173,99   | 161,18   |
| 14        | n-Heptane           | 205,42                                                                        | 190,39   | 216,96   | 200,87   | 216,70   | 200,84   | 216,53   | 200,82   | 201,84   | 187,13   | 201,76   | 187,12   |
| 15        | n-Octane            | 233,28                                                                        | 216,37   | 246,38   | 228,28   | 246,10   | 228,25   | 245,91   | 228,23   | 229,22   | 212,67   | 229,13   | 212,66   |
| 16        | n-Nonane            | 261,19                                                                        | 242,40   | 275,85   | 255,74   | 275,53   | 255,71   | 275,32   | 255,69   | 256,64   | 238,25   | 256,54   | 238,24   |
| 17        | n-Decane            | 289,06                                                                        | 268,39   | 305,29   | 283,16   | 304,94   | 283,13   | 304,71   | 283,11   | 284,03   | 263,80   | 283,92   | 263,79   |
| 18        | Ethylene            | 59,72                                                                         | 55,96    | 63,06    | 59,04    | 63,00    | 59,04    | 62,96    | 59,03    | 58,68    | 55,01    | 58,66    | 55,00    |
| 19        | Propylene           | 87,10                                                                         | 81,46    | 91,98    | 85,94    | 91,88    | 85,93    | 91,82    | 85,93    | 85,58    | 80,07    | 85,55    | 80,06    |
| 20        | 1-Butene            | 114,98                                                                        | 107,46   | 121,42   | 113,38   | 121,29   | 113,36   | 121,21   | 113,36   | 112,98   | 105,63   | 112,94   | 105,62   |
| 21        | cis-2-Butene        | 114,69                                                                        | 107,18   | 121,12   | 113,08   | 120,99   | 113,06   | 120,91   | 113,05   | 112,70   | 105,34   | 112,66   | 105,34   |
| 22        | trans-2-Butene      | 114,54                                                                        | 107,02   | 120,96   | 112,91   | 120,83   | 112,90   | 120,75   | 112,89   | 112,55   | 105,19   | 112,51   | 105,19   |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene     | 114,27                                                                        | 106,76   | 120,67   | 112,63   | 120,55   | 112,62   | 120,47   | 112,61   | 112,29   | 104,93   | 112,25   | 104,93   |
| 24        | 1-Pentene           | 142,85                                                                        | 133,46   | 150,86   | 140,80   | 150,70   | 140,79   | 150,59   | 140,77   | 140,37   | 131,18   | 140,32   | 131,17   |
| 25        | Propadiene          | 82,21                                                                         | 78,46    | 86,79    | 82,76    | 86,73    | 82,76    | 86,69    | 82,76    | 80,79    | 77,12    | 80,78    | 77,12    |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene       | 109,75                                                                        | 104,12   | 115,87   | 109,84   | 115,78   | 109,83   | 115,72   | 109,83   | 107,85   | 102,34   | 107,83   | 102,34   |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene       | 107,51                                                                        | 101,87   | 113,51   | 107,47   | 113,42   | 107,47   | 113,36   | 107,46   | 105,65   | 100,13   | 105,62   | 100,13   |
| 28        | Acetylene           | 55,04                                                                         | 53,16    | 58,08    | 56,07    | 58,06    | 56,08    | 58,05    | 56,08    | 54,09    | 52,25    | 54,09    | 52,26    |
| 29        | Cyclopentane        | 140,50                                                                        | 131,11   | 148,40   | 138,34   | 148,22   | 138,31   | 148,10   | 138,28   | 138,05   | 128,86   | 138,00   | 128,85   |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane  | 168,00                                                                        | 156,73   | 177,43   | 165,37   | 177,23   | 165,34   | 177,10   | 165,31   | 165,08   | 154,04   | 165,01   | 154,03   |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane   | 195,90                                                                        | 182,74   | 206,89   | 192,81   | 206,65   | 192,78   | 206,50   | 192,75   | 192,48   | 179,61   | 192,41   | 179,60   |
| 32        | Cyclohexane         | 167,31                                                                        | 156,03   | 176,70   | 164,64   | 176,50   | 164,60   | 176,36   | 164,58   | 164,39   | 153,36   | 164,33   | 153,35   |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane   | 194,72                                                                        | 181,56   | 205,64   | 191,57   | 205,41   | 191,53   | 205,26   | 191,51   | 191,32   | 178,45   | 191,25   | 178,44   |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane    | 222,75                                                                        | 207,72   | 235,25   | 219,16   | 234,98   | 219,13   | 234,81   | 219,10   | 218,87   | 204,16   | 218,79   | 204,15   |
| 35        | Benzene             | 139,69                                                                        | 134,05   | 147,45   | 141,42   | 147,36   | 141,41   | 147,29   | 141,40   | 137,27   | 131,76   | 137,24   | 131,75   |
| 36        | Toluene             | 167,05                                                                        | 159,53   | 176,35   | 168,31   | 176,22   | 168,29   | 176,13   | 168,28   | 164,16   | 156,80   | 164,12   | 156,80   |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene        | 194,95                                                                        | 185,55   | 205,81   | 195,76   | 205,65   | 195,74   | 205,55   | 195,73   | 191,57   | 182,38   | 191,52   | 182,37   |
| 38        | o-Xylene            | 194,49                                                                        | 185,09   | 205,32   | 195,27   | 205,17   | 195,26   | 205,06   | 195,24   | 191,12   | 181,93   | 191,07   | 181,92   |
| 39        | Methanol            | 32,36                                                                         | 28,60    | 34,20    | 30,18    | 34,13    | 30,17    | 34,09    | 30,16    | 31,78    | 28,11    | 31,76    | 28,10    |
| 40        | Methanethiol        | 52,45                                                                         | 48,70    | 55,40    | 51,37    | 55,33    | 51,37    | 55,30    | 51,37    | 51,54    | 47,86    | 51,52    | 47,86    |
| 41        | Hydrogen            | 12,102                                                                        | 10,223   | 12,788   | 10,777   | 12,767   | 10,784   | 12,752   | 10,788   | 11,889   | 10,050   | 11,882   | 10,052   |
| 42        | Water <sup>1)</sup> | 1,88                                                                          | 0        | 2,01     | 0        | 1,98     | 0        | 1,96     | 0        | 1,84     | 0        | 1,83     | 0        |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide    | 23,78                                                                         | 21,91    | 25,12    | 23,10    | 25,09    | 23,11    | 25,07    | 23,11    | 23,37    | 21,53    | 23,36    | 21,53    |
| 44        | Ammonia             | 16,22                                                                         | 13,40    | 17,16    | 14,14    | 17,11    | 14,14    | 17,08    | 14,13    | 15,93    | 13,17    | 15,91    | 13,17    |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide    | 28,41                                                                         | 27,47    | 29,98    | 28,97    | 29,97    | 28,98    | 29,96    | 28,98    | 27,92    | 27,00    | 27,91    | 27,00    |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide     | 11,96                                                                         | 11,96    | 12,62    | 12,62    | 12,62    | 12,62    | 12,63    | 12,63    | 11,76    | 11,76    | 11,76    | 11,76    |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide    | 23,18                                                                         | 23,18    | 24,45    | 24,45    | 24,46    | 24,46    | 24,46    | 24,46    | 22,79    | 22,79    | 22,79    | 22,79    |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide    | 46,70                                                                         | 46,70    | 49,26    | 49,26    | 49,27    | 49,27    | 49,28    | 49,28    | 45,91    | 45,91    | 45,91    | 45,91    |

NOTES

- 1 The reference pressure for both combustion and metering is 101,325 kPa in all cases.
- 2 The column headings " $t_1/t_2$  °C" refer to the reference temperatures for combustion and metering, respectively.

1) The non-zero calorific value of water vapour is derived formally from the definition of superior calorific value, which requires condensation to the liquid state of all water vapour in the products of combustion. Thus, any water vapour present in an otherwise dry gas contributes its latent heat of vaporization to the superior calorific value of the mixture. (See annex F for a fuller explanation.)

## Annex A (normative)

### Symbols and units

| Symbol          | Meaning                                                                | Unit                            |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $a, b, c, d, e$ | Atomic indices for the generalized molecular species $C_aH_bO_cN_dS_e$ | —                               |
| $b$             | Gas law deviation coefficient ( $b = 1 - Z$ )                          | —                               |
| $\sqrt{b}$      | Summation factor                                                       | —                               |
| $B$             | Second virial coefficient                                              | $m^3 \cdot mol^{-1}$            |
| $C$             | Third virial coefficient                                               | $m^6 \cdot mol^{-2}$            |
| $c_p$           | Molar isobaric heat capacity                                           | $J \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot K^{-1}$ |
| $d$             | Relative density                                                       | —                               |
| $h$             | Molar enthalpy                                                         | $J \cdot mol^{-1}$              |
| $\bar{H}$       | Calorific value on a molar basis                                       | $kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$             |
| $\hat{H}$       | Calorific value on a mass basis                                        | $MJ \cdot kg^{-1}$              |
| $\tilde{H}$     | Calorific value on a volumetric basis                                  | $MJ \cdot m^{-3}$               |
| $K$             | $\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i^*)$                                                 | —                               |
| $L$             | molar enthalpy of vaporization of water                                | $kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$             |
| $M$             | Molar mass                                                             | $kg \cdot kmol^{-1}$            |
| $n$             | Number of determinations in a set of values                            | —                               |
| $N$             | Number of components in a mixture                                      | —                               |
| $p$             | Pressure (absolute)                                                    | kPa                             |
| $Q$             | $q$ th virial coefficient                                              | $m^{3(q-1)} \cdot mol^{-(q-1)}$ |
| $R$             | Molar gas constant                                                     | $J \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot K^{-1}$ |
| $t$             | Celsius temperature                                                    | °C                              |
| $T$             | Thermodynamic (absolute) temperature                                   | K                               |
| $V$             | Volume                                                                 | $m^3$                           |
| $W$             | Wobbe index                                                            | $MJ \cdot m^{-3}$               |
| $x$             | Mole fraction                                                          | —                               |
| $y$             | Volume fraction                                                        | —                               |
| $Y$             | General (unspecified) physical property                                | —                               |
| $Z$             | Compression factor                                                     | —                               |
| $\rho$          | Density                                                                | $kg \cdot m^{-3}$               |
| $\nu$           | Stoichiometric coefficient                                             | —                               |
| $\omega$        | Acentric factor                                                        | —                               |

**Subscripts**

|            |                                                     |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <i>c</i>   | Value at the gas-liquid critical point              |
| <i>i</i>   | Identifier of a particular value in a set           |
| <i>l</i>   | Inferior (calorific value)                          |
| <i>j</i>   | Component identifier                                |
| <i>k</i>   | Component identifier                                |
| <i>m</i>   | Quantity per mole                                   |
| <i>r</i>   | Quantity divided by its value at the critical point |
| <i>s</i>   | At saturation                                       |
| <i>S</i>   | Superior (calorific value)                          |
| <i>w</i>   | For water vapour                                    |
| <i>air</i> | For air                                             |
| <i>mix</i> | For the mixture                                     |
| <i>1</i>   | Combustion reference state                          |
| <i>2</i>   | Metering reference state                            |

**Superscripts**

|              |                         |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| <sup>o</sup> | For the ideal gas state |
| *            | Non-normalized value    |

**Prefix**

|          |                                                                                |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\Delta$ | Denotes the repeatability or reproducibility of the physical property prefixed |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

## Annex B (normative)

### Values of auxiliary constants, etc.

#### B.1 Molar gas constant

The current recommended value of the molar gas constant  $R$  is given in reference [15] in annex M:

$$R = (8,314\,510 \pm 0,000\,070) \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.1})$$

#### B.2 Critical constants and acentric factors

Selected values for the critical temperature  $T_c$ , the critical pressure  $p_c$  and the acentric factor  $\omega$ , which have been used in the derivation of many of the compression factor values  $Z$  given in table 2 by means of the Pitzer-Curl equation (see E.2), are given in table B.1. The source of all values is reference [13] in annex M.

#### B.3 Properties of dry air

The recommended molar composition of dry air is given in table B.2. This is collated from the work of Jones<sup>[16]</sup> and Giacomo<sup>[17]</sup>, and is as given in reference [13]. Note that many alternative sources, including ISO 2533<sup>[1]</sup> give the volumetric composition rather than the molar composition; the latter is more appropriate for the direct calculation of mean molar mass (molecular weight).

The resulting value for the molar mass of dry air rounded to the fourth decimal place is

$$M_{\text{air}} = 28,962\,6 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.2})$$

The value of the compression factor of dry air of standard composition at each of the three commonly used metering reference conditions should be taken<sup>[13]</sup> as

$$Z_{\text{air}}(273,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999\,41 \dots (\text{B.3})$$

$$Z_{\text{air}}(288,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999\,58 \dots (\text{B.4})$$

$$Z_{\text{air}}(293,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 0,999\,63 \dots (\text{B.5})$$

The real-gas density of air of standard composition to which these values give rise are

$$\rho_{\text{air}}(273,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 1,292\,923 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \dots (\text{B.6})$$

$$\rho_{\text{air}}(288,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 1,225\,410 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \dots (\text{B.7})$$

$$\rho_{\text{air}}(293,15 \text{ K}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) = 1,204\,449 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \dots (\text{B.8})$$

#### B.4 Enthalpy of vaporization of water

The standard molar enthalpy of vaporization of water is required at each of the four commonly used combustion reference conditions, in order to facilitate calculations of the difference between the ideal-gas superior calorific value and the ideal-gas inferior calorific value (molar basis) for each component. The following values<sup>[13]</sup> have been used in the derivation of the inferior calorific values given in table 3.

$$L^{\circ}(273,15 \text{ K}) = 45,074 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.9})$$

$$L^{\circ}(288,15 \text{ K}) = 44,433 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.10})$$

$$L^{\circ}(293,15 \text{ K}) = 44,224 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.11})$$

$$L^{\circ}(298,15 \text{ K}) = 44,016 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \dots (\text{B.12})$$



**Table B.1 — Critical properties**

| Component |                        | Critical temperature<br>K | Critical pressure<br>kPa | Acentric factor |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1         | Methane                | 190,555                   | 4 598,8                  | 0,011 5         |
| 2         | Ethane                 | 305,83                    | 4 880                    | 0,090 8         |
| 3         | Propane                | 369,82                    | 4 250                    | 0,145 4         |
| 4         | <i>n</i> -Butane       | 425,14                    | 3 784                    | 0,192 8         |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane        | 408,13                    | 3 648                    | 0,175 6         |
| 6         | <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 469,69                    | 3 364                    | 0,251 0         |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane         | 460,39                    | 3 381                    | 0,227 3         |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane    | 433,75                    | 3 199                    | 0,197 0         |
| 9         | <i>n</i> -Hexane       | 506,4                     | 3 030                    | 0,295 7         |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane        | 497,5                     | 3 010                    | 0,279 1         |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane        | 504,4                     | 3 120                    | 0,275 0         |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane     | 488,7                     | 3 080                    | 0,231 0         |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane     | 499,9                     | 3 130                    | 0,247 3         |
| 14        | <i>n</i> -Heptane      | 539,2                     | 2 740                    | 0,350 6         |
| 15        | <i>n</i> -Octane       | 568,4                     | 2 490                    | 0,394 2         |
| 16        | <i>n</i> -Nonane       | 594,4                     | 2 280                    | 0,443 7         |
| 17        | <i>n</i> -Decane       | 617,8                     | 2 090                    | 0,490 2         |
| 18        | Ethylene               | 282,35                    | 5 042                    | 0,085 6         |
| 19        | Propylene              | 364,85                    | 4 601                    | 0,147 7         |
| 20        | 1-Butene               | 419,53                    | 4 023                    | 0,187 4         |
| 21        | <i>cis</i> -2-Butene   | 435,58                    | 4 220                    | 0,204 4         |
| 22        | <i>trans</i> -2-Butene | 428,63                    | 4 050                    | 0,213 8         |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene        | 417,90                    | 4 000                    | 0,189 8         |
| 24        | 1-Pentene              | 464,78                    | 3 526                    | 0,245 0         |
| 25        | Propadiene             | 393                       | 5 470                    | 0,149           |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene          | 443,7                     | 4 500                    | 0,339 4         |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene          | 425                       | 4 330                    | 0,181 4         |
| 28        | Acetylene              | 308,33                    | 6 139                    | 0,184 1         |
| 29        | Cyclopentane           | 511,61                    | 4 502                    | 0,192 3         |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane     | 532,73                    | 3 784                    | 0,239 5         |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane      | 569,46                    | 3 397                    | 0,282 6         |
| 32        | Cyclohexane            | 553,5                     | 4 074                    | 0,214 4         |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane      | 572,12                    | 3 471                    | 0,233 3         |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane       | 609                       | 3 040                    | 0,242 6         |
| 35        | Benzene                | 562,16                    | 4 898                    | 0,210 0         |
| 36        | Toluene                | 591,80                    | 4 106                    | 0,256 6         |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene           | 617,20                    | 3 606                    | 0,301 1         |
| 38        | <i>o</i> -Xylene       | 630,33                    | 3 734                    | 0,313 6         |
| 39        | Methanol               | 512,64                    | 8 092                    | 0,556           |
| 40        | Methanethiol           | 470,0                     | 7 230                    | 0,153           |
| 41        | Hydrogen               | 33,2                      | 1 297                    | − 0,218         |
| 42        | Water                  | 647,14                    | 22 064                   | 0,328           |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide       | 373,2                     | 8 940                    | 0,109           |
| 44        | Ammonia                | 405,5                     | 11 350                   | 0,250           |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide       | 456,7                     | 5 390                    | 0,388           |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide        | 132,85                    | 3 494                    | 0,053           |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide       | 378,8                     | 6 349                    | 0,096           |
| 48        | Carbon disulfide       | 552                       | 7 900                    | 0,109           |
| 49        | Helium                 | 5,19                      | 227                      | − 0,365         |
| 50        | Neon                   | 44,40                     | 2 780                    | − 0,029         |
| 51        | Argon                  | 150,65                    | 4 866                    | 0,001           |
| 52        | Nitrogen               | 126,2                     | 3 390                    | 0,039           |
| 53        | Oxygen                 | 154,58                    | 5 043                    | 0,025           |
| 54        | Carbon dioxide         | 304,20                    | 7 386                    | 0,239           |
| 55        | Sulfur dioxide         | 430,8                     | 7 884                    | 0,256           |

**Table B.2 — Molar composition of dry air**

| Species             | Mole fraction |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Nitrogen            | 0,781 02      |
| Oxygen              | 0,209 46      |
| Argon               | 0,009 16      |
| Carbon dioxide      | 0,000 33      |
| Neon                | 0,000 018 2   |
| Helium              | 0,000 005 2   |
| Methane             | 0,000 001 5   |
| Krypton             | 0,000 001 1   |
| Hydrogen            | 0,000 000 5   |
| Dinitrogen monoxide | 0,000 000 3   |
| Carbon monoxide     | 0,000 000 2   |
| Xenon               | 0,000 000 1   |

## Annex C

(informative)

### Conversion of volume fractions to mole fractions

If the composition is known in volume fractions at the metering reference conditions  $(t_2, p_2)$ , the conversion to mole fractions may be carried out using the equation

$$x_j = \frac{\frac{y_j}{Z_j(t_2, p_2)}}{\sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \frac{y_j}{Z_j(t_2, p_2)} \right]} \quad \dots (C.1)$$

for all  $j$ .

## Annex D (informative)

### Examples of calculations

Table D.1 gives calculations, presented in a simple spreadsheet style, of the relative molecular mass, the superior ideal molar calorific value and the compression factor of a natural gas of a given composition, from basic physical property data, for the "15/15 °C" reference conditions (ISO standard reference conditions). For the purposes of these example calculations, numerical values of all quantities used have been rounded to the fifth significant digit, and used as such in any subsequent calculations. In reality, all calculations should be performed using the full number of digits available on the calculator or computer, and only rounded at the final line to the correctly reported number of digits (see 9.3). According to the methods described in this International Standard, the various other physical properties of the natural gas are calculated as follows.

NOTE 20 The entire calculation procedure for the calorific value given in this annex is for the superior calorific value only. Calculations of the inferior calorific value are entirely analogous.

#### D.1 Calorific value on a molar basis (clause 5)

From table D.1, the superior calorific value on a molar basis,  $\bar{H}_S^0$ , of the ideal gas at 15 °C is, after rounding, 919,09 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>.

This is also taken as the value of  $\bar{H}_S$ , the calorific value of the real gas, the enthalpic correction from ideal to real gas being small enough to neglect (see note 13 to 5.2).

#### D.2 Calorific value on a mass basis (clause 6)

In accordance with clause 6, the superior calorific value on a mass basis,  $\hat{H}_S^0$ , of the ideal gas is calculated from equation (5):

$$\hat{H}_S^0(t_1) = \frac{\bar{H}_S^0(t_1)}{M} \quad \dots (D.1)$$

where, from table D.1,

$$\bar{H}_S^0(15 \text{ °C}) \text{ is } 919,09 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1};$$

$$M \text{ is } 17,478 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_S^0(15 \text{ °C}) &= \frac{919,09}{17,478} \\ &= 52,586 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

reported as 52,59 MJ·kg<sup>-1</sup>

Alternatively,  $\hat{H}_S^0$  can be calculated from equation (7)

$$\hat{H}_S^0(t_1) = \sum_{j=1}^N \left( x_j \times \frac{\hat{M}_j}{M} \right) (\hat{H}_S^0)_j(t_1) \quad \dots (D.2)$$

This calculation also gives a calorific value of 52,59 MJ·kg<sup>-1</sup>.

#### D.3 Calorific value on a volumetric basis (clause 7)

In accordance with 7.1, the superior calorific value on a volumetric basis,  $\tilde{H}_S^0$ , of the ideal gas is calculated from equation (8):

$$\tilde{H}_S^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \bar{H}_S^0(t_1) \times \frac{p_2}{R \cdot T_2} \quad \dots (D.3)$$

where from table D.1,

$$\bar{H}_S^0(15 \text{ °C}) \text{ is } 919,09 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1};$$

$$p_2 \text{ is } 101,325 \text{ kPa};$$

$$T_2 \text{ is } 288,15 \text{ K};$$

$$R, \text{ the molar gas constant, is } 8,314 \, 510 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_S^0[15 \text{ °C}, V(15 \text{ °C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa})] &= \frac{919,09 \times 101,325}{8,314 \, 510 \times 288,15} \\ &= 38,870 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 38,87 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively,  $\tilde{H}_S^0$  can be calculated from equation (9):

$$\tilde{H}_S^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \tilde{H}_j^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] \quad \dots (D.4)$$

which also gives a value of  $38,87 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ .

The effect of the change from ideal to real gas is calculated in accordance with the procedure described in 7.2

$$\tilde{H}_S[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}_S^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)} \quad \dots (D.5)$$

where  $Z_{\text{mix}}$ , the compression factor of the gas mixture, is calculated from equation (3):

$$Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2) = 1 - \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \sqrt{b_j} \right]^2 \quad \dots (D.6)$$

From table D.1, the value of the sum of the mole fraction summation factors is 0,047 85; hence

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{mix}}(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) &= 1 - (0,047 \ 85)^2 \\ &= 0,997 \ 71, \text{ reported as } 0,997 \ 7 \end{aligned}$$

and the superior calorific value of the real gas is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_S[15^\circ\text{C}, V(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa})] \\ &= \frac{38,87}{0,997 \ 71} \\ &= 38,959 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 38,96 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

## D.4 Relative density, density and Wobbe index (clause 8)

### D.4.1 Relative density

In accordance with 8.1, the relative density of the ideal gas is calculated from equation (11):

$$d^0 = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \times \frac{M_j}{M_{\text{air}}} \quad \dots (D.7)$$

Using the data from table D.1 and the value for  $M_{\text{air}}$  of  $28,962 \ 6 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d^0 &= \frac{17,478}{28,962 \ 6} \\ &= 0,603 \ 47, \text{ reported as } 0,603 \ 5. \end{aligned}$$

In accordance with 8.2, the relative density of the real gas is calculated from equation (14):

$$d(t_2, p_2) = \frac{d^0 \cdot Z_{\text{air}}(t_2, p_2)}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)} \quad \dots (D.8)$$

where

$Z_{\text{air}}$  (15 °C, 101,325 kPa) is 0,999 58 (see table 2);

$Z_{\text{mix}}$  is 0,997 71 (see clause D.3).

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) \\ &= \frac{0,603 \ 47 \times 0,999 \ 58}{0,997 \ 71} \\ &= 0,604 \ 60, \text{ reported as } 0,604 \ 6. \end{aligned}$$

### D.4.2 Density

In accordance with 8.1, the density of the ideal gas is calculated from equation (12):

$$\rho^0(t_2, p_2) = \frac{p_2}{R \cdot T_2} \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \cdot M_j \quad \dots (D.9)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^0(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) &= \frac{17,478 \times 101,325}{8,314 \ 510 \times 288,15} \\ &= 0,739 \ 18 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 0,739 \ 2 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

From 8.2, the density of the real gas is given by equation (15):

$$\rho(t_2, p_2) = \frac{\rho^0(t_2, p_2)}{Z_{\text{mix}}(t_2, p_2)}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa}) &= \frac{0,739 \ 18}{0,997 \ 71} \\ &= 0,740 \ 88 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 0,740 \ 9 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

### D.4.3 Wobbe index

In accordance with 8.1, the Wobbe index of the ideal gas is calculated from equation (13):

$$W^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}_S^0[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{\sqrt{d^0}} \quad \dots (D.10)$$

Thus

$$W^0[15^\circ\text{C}, V(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa})] = \frac{38,870}{\sqrt{0,603 \ 47}}$$

$$= 50,036 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 50,04 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$$

From 8.2, the Wobbe index of the real gas is given by equation (16):

$$W[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)] = \frac{\tilde{H}_S[t_1, V(t_2, p_2)]}{\sqrt{d(t_2, p_2)}} \quad \dots (D.11)$$

Thus

$$W[15^\circ\text{C}, V(15^\circ\text{C}, 101,325 \text{ kPa})] = \frac{38,959}{\sqrt{0,6046}}$$

$$= 50,104 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } 50,10 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$$

Note that all the figures calculated in this annex are identical to those given by the computer program described in annex K, except that for  $W$ . However, if the full number of digits is carried throughout the example calculations leading to the value for  $W$ , then a correct figure of  $50,11 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$  results, as in annex K.

## D.5 Precision (clause 9)

Table D.2 gives repeatability calculations, presented in a format similar to that of table D.1, for the same gas mixture. Only the case where methane is analysed (rather than calculated by difference) is considered. In order to perform these calculations, values need to be known for the repeatability, using non-normalized mole fraction data, of each individual component. The values used are given in the fifth column of table D.2.

### D.5.1 Repeatability of calorific value on a molar basis

From table D.2, the repeatability  $\Delta\tilde{H}_{\text{mix}}^0$  of the ideal-gas superior calorific value of  $919,09 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  is  $\pm 0,11 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  [see equation (19)].

### D.5.2 Repeatability of calorific value on a mass basis

To obtain the repeatability for the ideal gas on a mass basis, the repeatability on a molar basis is divided by the molar mass value for the gas of  $17,478 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\hat{H}_{\text{mix}}^0 &= \frac{0,11}{17,478} \\ &= 0,006 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}, \text{ reported as } \pm 0,01 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The repeatability of the superior calorific value on a mass basis of  $52,59 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$  is  $\pm 0,01 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ .

### D.5.3 Repeatability of calorific value on a volumetric basis

To obtain the repeatability for the ideal gas on a volumetric basis, the repeatability on a molar basis is multiplied by  $p_2/R\cdot T_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\tilde{H}_{\text{mix}}^0 &= \frac{0,11 \times 101,325}{8,314510 \times 288,15} \\ &= 0,005 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}, \text{ reported as } \pm 0,01 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

The repeatability on the ideal-gas superior calorific value on a volumetric basis of  $38,87 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$  is  $\pm 0,01 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ .

### D.5.4 Repeatability of relative density, density and Wobbe Index

#### D.5.4.1 Relative density

The repeatability of the relative density (either ideal or real) is calculated from equation (20):

$$\Delta d = \frac{\Delta M}{M_{\text{air}}}$$

where

$\Delta M$ , from table D.2 [see equation (23)], is  $\pm 0,0031 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1}$ ;

$M_{\text{air}}$  is  $28,9626 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kmol}^{-1}$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta d &= \frac{0,0031}{28,9626} \\ &= 0,00011, \text{ reported as } \pm 0,0001. \end{aligned}$$

The repeatability on the ideal relative density of 0,6035 and on the real relative density of 0,6046 is  $\pm 0,0001$ .

#### D.5.4.2 Density

The repeatability of the density (either ideal or real) is calculated from equation (21):

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\rho &= \frac{\Delta M \cdot p}{R \cdot T} \\ &= \frac{0,0031 \times 101,325}{8,314510 \times 288,15} \\ &= 0,00013 \text{ reported as } \pm 0,0001 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

The repeatability on the ideal density of 0,739 2 kg·m<sup>-3</sup> and on the real density of 0,740 9 kg·m<sup>-3</sup> is ± 0,000 1 kg·m<sup>-3</sup>.

D.5.4.3 Wobbe index

The repeatability of the ideal Wobbe index is calculated from equation (24):

ΔW° = W° · [ ( ΔH° / H° )² + ( Δd° / 2d° )² ]¹/²

= 50,04 [ ( 0,01 / 38,87 )² + ( 0,000 1 / ( 2 × 0,603 5 ) )² ]¹/²

= 0,001 3 MJ·m<sup>-3</sup>, reported as ± 0,01 MJ·m<sup>-3</sup>.

The repeatability on the ideal Wobbe Index of 50,04 MJ·m<sup>-3</sup> is ± 0,01 MJ·m<sup>-3</sup>.

Table D.1 — Details of an example of a property calculation

| Component <i>j</i> | Molar mass<br><i>M<sub>j</sub></i><br>kg·kmol <sup>-1</sup> | Superior<br>calorific value<br>( <i>H</i> <sub>S</sub> <sup>o</sup> ), (15 °C)<br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> | Summation<br>factor<br>√ <i>b<sub>j</sub></i><br>(15 °C,<br>101,325 kPa) | Mole<br>fraction<br><i>x<sub>j</sub></i> | Mole fraction ×<br>molar mass per<br>mole<br><i>x<sub>j</sub> · M<sub>j</sub></i><br>kg·kmol <sup>-1</sup> | Mole fraction ×<br>calorific value<br><i>x<sub>j</sub> · (H<sub>S</sub><sup>o</sup>)<sub>j</sub></i><br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> | Mole<br>fraction ×<br>summation<br>factor<br><i>δx<sub>j</sub> · √b<sub>j</sub></i> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Methane            | 16,043                                                      | 891,56                                                                                                 | 0,044 7                                                                  | 0,924 7                                  | 14,835 0                                                                                                   | 824,43                                                                                                                       | 0,041 33                                                                            |
| Ethane             | 30,070                                                      | 1 562,14                                                                                               | 0,092 2                                                                  | 0,035 0                                  | 1,052 5                                                                                                    | 54,67                                                                                                                        | 0,003 23                                                                            |
| Propane            | 44,097                                                      | 2 221,10                                                                                               | 0,133 8                                                                  | 0,009 8                                  | 0,432 2                                                                                                    | 21,77                                                                                                                        | 0,001 31                                                                            |
| <i>n</i> -Butane   | 58,123                                                      | 2 879,76                                                                                               | 0,187 1                                                                  | 0,002 2                                  | 0,127 9                                                                                                    | 6,34                                                                                                                         | 0,000 41                                                                            |
| 2-Methylpropane    | 58,123                                                      | 2 870,58                                                                                               | 0,178 9                                                                  | 0,003 4                                  | 0,197 6                                                                                                    | 9,76                                                                                                                         | 0,000 61                                                                            |
| <i>n</i> -Pentane  | 72,150                                                      | 3 538,60                                                                                               | 0,251 0                                                                  | 0,000 6                                  | 0,043 3                                                                                                    | 2,12                                                                                                                         | 0,000 15                                                                            |
| Nitrogen           | 28,013 5                                                    | 0                                                                                                      | 0,017 3                                                                  | 0,017 5                                  | 0,490 2                                                                                                    | 0                                                                                                                            | 0,000 30                                                                            |
| Carbon dioxide     | 44,010                                                      | 0                                                                                                      | 0,074 8                                                                  | 0,006 8                                  | 0,299 3                                                                                                    | 0                                                                                                                            | 0,000 51                                                                            |
| Totals             |                                                             |                                                                                                        |                                                                          | 1,000 0                                  | 17,478                                                                                                     | 919,09                                                                                                                       | 0,047 85                                                                            |

Table D.2 — Details of an example of a precision calculation

| Component <i>j</i>     | Molar mass<br><i>M<sub>j</sub></i><br>kg·kmol <sup>-1</sup> | Superior<br>calorific value<br>( <i>H</i> <sub>S</sub> <sup>o</sup> ), (15 °C)<br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> | Mole fraction<br><i>x<sub>j</sub></i> | Repeatability on<br>non-normalized<br>mole fraction<br>Δ <i>x<sub>j</sub></i> <sup>*</sup> | [Δ <i>x<sub>j</sub></i> <sup>*</sup> · (( <i>H</i> <sub>S</sub> <sup>o</sup> ) <sub><i>j</i></sub> - ( <i>H</i> <sub>S</sub> <sup>o</sup> ) <sub>max</sub> )] <sup>2</sup> | [Δ <i>x<sub>j</sub></i> <sup>*</sup> · ( <i>M<sub>j</sub></i> - <i>M</i> )] <sup>2</sup> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Methane                | 16,043                                                      | 891,56                                                                                                 | 0,924 7                               | 0,001 532                                                                                  | 0,001 779                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 004 83                                                                             |
| Ethane                 | 30,070                                                      | 1 562,14                                                                                               | 0,035 0                               | 0,000 086                                                                                  | 0,003 058                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 001 17                                                                             |
| Propane                | 44,097                                                      | 2 221,10                                                                                               | 0,009 8                               | 0,000 032                                                                                  | 0,001 736                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 000 73                                                                             |
| <i>n</i> -Butane       | 58,123                                                      | 2 879,76                                                                                               | 0,002 2                               | 0,000 010                                                                                  | 0,000 384                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 000 17                                                                             |
| 2-Methylpropane        | 58,123                                                      | 2 870,58                                                                                               | 0,003 4                               | 0,000 006                                                                                  | 0,000 137                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 000 06                                                                             |
| <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 72,150                                                      | 3 538,60                                                                                               | 0,000 6                               | 0,000 004                                                                                  | 0,000 110                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 000 05                                                                             |
| Nitrogen               | 28,013 5                                                    | 0                                                                                                      | 0,017 50                              | 0,000 064                                                                                  | 0,003 460                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 000 45                                                                             |
| Carbon dioxide         | 44,010                                                      | 0                                                                                                      | 0,006 8                               | 0,000 052                                                                                  | 0,002 284                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 001 90                                                                             |
| Totals                 |                                                             |                                                                                                        | 1,000 0                               |                                                                                            | 0,012 948                                                                                                                                                                  | 0,000 009 36                                                                             |
| Square roots of totals |                                                             |                                                                                                        |                                       |                                                                                            | 0,113 8                                                                                                                                                                    | 0,003 06                                                                                 |

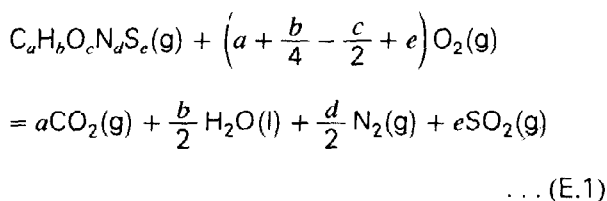
## Annex E (informative)

### Behaviour of ideal and real gases

#### E.1 Variation of ideal-gas enthalpy of combustion with temperature

In 4.1, reference is made to the fact that the ideal-gas (standard) enthalpy of combustion  $-\bar{H}_S^0$  of any gas or gas mixture varies in accordance with the temperature at which combustion is deemed to take place (i.e. the combustion reference temperature). The variation observed, although relatively small in magnitude, is significant and must not be ignored. However, the variation is generally complex, and in consequence it is not practicable to provide formulations which would enable the user to determine  $\bar{H}_S^0$  at any arbitrary combustion reference temperature. Instead, values of  $\bar{H}_S^0$  for each distinct chemical component listed in this International Standard are given in table 3 for each of the commonly used combustion reference temperatures of 298,15 K, 293,15 K, 288,15 K and 273,15 K (25 °C, 20 °C, 15 °C and 0 °C, respectively).

The values listed have been derived as follows. Consider the generalized combustion reaction for the pure, supposedly gaseous, chemical component ( $C_aH_bO_cN_dS_e$ ) in which the atomic indices  $a$  to  $e$  are non-negative integers (including zero) whose values define the specific component in question (e.g. for  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 4$ ,  $c = d = e = 0$ , the species is  $CH_4$ ), viz.



Suppose that the standard enthalpy of combustion at 25 °C,  $-\bar{H}_S^0$  (25 °C), for this reaction is available in authoritative publications (as is indeed the case for all components considered herein). The value of  $\bar{H}_S^0(t)$  at some other temperature  $t$ , for this same component  $j$ , is then given by the equation

$$[-\bar{H}_S^0(t)]_j = -\bar{H}_S^0(t_0)_j + \sum_k v_k [h_k^0(t_0) - h_k^0(t)] \quad \dots (E.2)$$

or, equivalently,

$$[-\bar{H}_S^0(t)]_j = [-\bar{H}_S^0(t_0)]_j + \sum_k \int_{t_0}^t v_k (c_p^0)_k dt \quad \dots (E.3)$$

where

$$t_0 = 25 \text{ °C};$$

$h_k^0(t)$  is the ideal-gas molar enthalpy;

$(c_p^0)_k$  is the ideal-gas isobaric molar heat capacity of component  $k$  (except for product water which is taken as the liquid). The summation is taken over all components  $k$  which appear in the combustion reaction (a maximum of 6 in the most general case);

$v_k$  is the stoichiometric coefficient for component  $k$ , taken as positive for reactants (unity for the "object" component  $j$ ) and negative for products.

Thus, the calculation is reduced to having sufficient knowledge of either  $h^0$  or, equivalently,  $c_p^0$  as a function of temperature, for the "object" component  $j$  and the 5 "auxiliary" components  $O_2$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $N_2$  and  $SO_2$  (in the gas phase) and liquid water. Both quantities are complex functions of temperature, most usually expressed in polynomial form, for all components.

Several types of polynomial expression have been used over the years to represent the variation of  $h^0$  and  $c_p^0$  with temperature. For the application considered here, the temperature range over which the variation is required is rather small (a maximum of 25 K). Partially as a consequence of this, the entire second term on the right-hand side of equations (E.2) and (E.3) is very small by comparison with the first term, and any reasonable formulation should produce essentially identical results for  $\bar{H}_S^0(t)$ . Appropriate data for calculating  $\bar{H}_S^0(t)$  for specific temperatures may be found for several of the present components (without recourse to polynomial expressions) in the compilations of Arrington and Jobe<sup>[7]</sup> and of Garvin *et al.*<sup>[8], [10]</sup>. Corresponding polynomial expressions



given by Passut and Danner[18] or of a modified Wilhoit-Harmens form[19], [20], [21] are also available. Where possible, calculations for  $H_S^o(t)$  were actually performed by a variety of routes in order to confirm their equivalence. No significant discrepancies were revealed (that is, differences were generally in the second decimal place, which is usually not significant in terms of measurement accuracy and is retained in table 3 only for interpolation).

For the purpose of deriving final values of  $\bar{H}_S^o(20\text{ °C})$ ,  $\bar{H}_S^o(15\text{ °C})$  and  $\bar{H}_S^o(0\text{ °C})$  from  $\bar{H}_S^o(25\text{ °C})$ , to list in table 3, the favoured methods of calculation used data from Garvin *et al.*[8], [10], Armstrong and Jobe[7], or the modified Wilhoit-Harmens polynomial[21], in that order of preference. Further details of these calculations are given in reference [13] in annex M.

## E.2 Corrections for non-ideality: volumetric effects

The volume  $V_m$  (ideal) occupied, at the metering reference conditions ( $t_2, p_2$ ), by 1 mol of a gas which behaves in accordance with the so-called ideal gas law (see 2.7) is given by the equation

$$V_m(\text{ideal}) = \frac{R \cdot T_2}{p_2} \quad \dots (E.4)$$

where  $T_2$  is the absolute temperature, in kelvins, equivalent to the Celsius temperature  $t_2$ .

No actual gas, and certainly no real natural gas, precisely obeys the ideal gas law: accordingly, the volume  $V_m(\text{real})$  occupied by 1 mol of a real gas is often related to  $V_m(\text{ideal})$  through use of the quantity  $Z$ , known as the compression factor, such that

$$V_m(\text{real}) = Z(T_2, p_2) \cdot V_m(\text{ideal}) \quad \dots (E.5)$$

$$V_m(\text{real}) = \frac{Z(T_2, p_2) \cdot R \cdot T_2}{p_2} \quad \dots (E.6)$$

The compression factor is generally a function of temperature, pressure and gas composition; it may be greater than or (more often) less than unity, but is usually close to unity for "permanent" gaseous substances.

The theory of statistical mechanics provides both an insight into the general dependence of  $Z$  on temperature, pressure and composition, and a means of evaluating it for a mixture of arbitrary composition, from the known properties of the components of the mixture.

The basic statistical mechanical expression for  $Z$  is an infinite series of the following form:

$$Z(T, p) = \frac{p \cdot V_m}{R \cdot T} \quad \dots (E.7)$$

$$Z(T, p) = 1 + \frac{B(T)}{V_m} + \frac{C(T)}{V_m^2} + \dots + \frac{Q(T)}{V_m^{(q-1)}} \quad \dots (E.8)$$

where  $V_m(\text{real})$  has been abbreviated to  $V_m$  for clarity. In this expression, the quantities  $B(T)$ ,  $C(T)$ , ...,  $Q(T)$  are known as the second, third, ...,  $q$ th virial coefficients respectively. Each is a function of temperature and composition, but is independent of pressure. The term containing the second virial coefficient accounts for the effect upon  $Z$  of two-body molecular interactions (both like-molecule and unlike-molecule); likewise the term containing the third virial coefficient accounts solely for the effects of three-body molecular interactions, and so on. At the pressures of interest in this International Standard, three-body and higher order interactions are unimportant; hence the virial expansion may be truncated at the second term, with no loss of accuracy.

Thus

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = Z(T, p) = 1 + \frac{B_{\text{mix}}(T)}{V_m} \quad \dots (E.9)$$

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 + \frac{p \cdot B_{\text{mix}}(T)}{Z_{\text{mix}} \cdot R \cdot T} \quad \dots (E.10)$$

Equation (E.10) may be solved as a quadratic in  $Z_{\text{mix}}$  if  $B_{\text{mix}}(T)$  is known. The previous text of this subclause is applicable to pure gases and mixtures alike.

Statistical mechanics also provides an expression for  $B_{\text{mix}}$  for a multicomponent mixture of arbitrary composition, as follows:

$$B_{\text{mix}}(T) = \sum_j^N \sum_k^N x_j \cdot x_k \cdot B_{jk}(T) \quad \dots (E.11)$$

where each summation is taken over all  $N$  components of the mixture.

In this expression, there are  $N$  like interaction (pure component) terms of the form  $x_j^2 \cdot B_{jj}$ , and  $N(N-1)/2$  unlike (mixed) interaction terms of the form  $2x_j \cdot x_k \cdot B_{jk}$  (since the subscripts are theoretically reversible).

It is not practicable to provide numerical values in this International Standard for all  $B_{jj}$  (or, equivalently,  $Z_j$ ) and all  $B_{jk}$  for each of the metering temperatures of interest; this would require some 4 620 values, a rather high proportion of which would have to be based on some estimative or correlative technique

NOTE 21 Calculated as

$$\left[ N + \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \right] \times 3$$

for  $N = 55$ , there being three commonly used values for  $T_2$ .

It is clear, then, that a substantial reduction of the data requirement in accordance with a well-understood (and well-behaved) specific approximation is necessary if  $Z_{\text{mix}}$ , and hence  $V_m$  (real), are to be readily calculable from equations (E.10) and (E.6). This is especially the case if the method is to be amenable to manual calculation.

One such specific approximation scheme recommended by some authorities<sup>[7]</sup> is to retain only the  $N$  like interaction terms and the  $(N-1)$  unlike interaction terms involving methane as one component (i.e. terms of the form  $2x_1 \cdot x_k \cdot B_{1k}$ , where the subscript 1 refers to methane). This formulation has the merit of severely reducing the number of terms to be evaluated, and the virial coefficients in those that remain are generally reasonably accessible; moreover, the terms omitted, (i.e. all other  $2x_j \cdot x_k \cdot B_{jk}$  terms for  $j, k \neq 1$ ), can reasonably be treated as negligible in many calculations because  $x_j, x_k \ll x_1$  for all  $j, k$ .

However, for the purpose of this International Standard, an alternative simplification scheme has been preferred which has the advantage of retaining all terms, the like-interaction terms being correctly represented and the unlike-interaction terms being represented in accordance with a specific approximation. The simplification involved may be understood by combining equations (E.9) and (E.11) (omitting  $T$ ) as follows:

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 + \frac{B_{\text{mix}}}{V_m} \quad \dots (E.12)$$

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 + \sum_j \sum_k x_j \cdot x_k \times \frac{B_{jk}}{V_m} \quad \dots (E.13)$$

then, making the approximation (for all  $j, k$ )

$$\frac{B_{jk}}{V_m} \approx \sqrt{\frac{B_{jj} \cdot B_{kk}}{(V_m)_j \cdot (V_m)_k}} \quad \dots (E.14)$$

Although having no formal basis in statistical mechanics, this approximation is usually reasonably accurate for mixtures composed of molecules which are not too dissimilar in size, shape and polarity.

Equation (E.13) then becomes

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 + \sum_j \sum_k x_j \cdot x_k \cdot \sqrt{\frac{B_{jj} \cdot B_{kk}}{(V_m)_j \cdot (V_m)_k}} \quad \dots (E.15)$$

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 - \sum_j \sum_k x_j \cdot x_k \cdot \sqrt{(1 - Z_j) \cdot (1 - Z_k)} \dots (E.16)$$

$$Z_{\text{mix}} = 1 - \left[ \sum_j x_j \cdot \sqrt{b_j} \right]^2 \dots (E.17)$$

where  $b_j = 1 - Z_j$ .

This expression thus retains all the terms in the original formulation for  $Z_{\text{mix}}$ , but uses only the values of the pure component compression factors  $Z_j$  to do so. Equation (E.17) forms the basis for making corrections for volumetric non-ideality that are both suitable for manual calculations and of sufficient accuracy.

However, equation (E.17) cannot be used in an uncritical way. It is known to have limitations for mixtures containing any of three components, namely hydrogen, helium and carbon dioxide<sup>[4]</sup>. In the first two cases, this arises because  $Z_j > 1$  at metering reference conditions, so that  $\sqrt{b}$  is an unreal number (as is also the case for neon). To overcome this, hydrogen, helium and neon are assigned "pseudo"-values of  $\sqrt{b}$  and so formally leave equation (E.17) unchanged. For carbon dioxide, there is no need to make such special provisions, provided that its concentration is within the limit of 0,15 mole fraction quoted in clause 1.

NOTE 22 In reference [4] in annex M, which has formed the basis of most subsequent standard documents in this area, an individual treatment is used for any hydrogen present. Specifically, hydrogen is removed from the summation and an extra term added to the overall expression. However, it can be shown that this is not necessary, provided that the hydrogen content of the gas does not exceed 0,05 mole fraction.

Values for all  $Z_j$  and  $\sqrt{b_j}$  at the three metering reference temperatures of interest are given in table 2 (clause 10). A hierarchy of the means of obtaining these values has been used as follows:

- Wherever possible, and most obviously for the permanent gases, it is generally preferable to use compression factors taken directly from experiment, or at least from the fitting of high-quality pressure, volume and temperature data to a good interpolative equation of state. The values given in table 2 for such gases have generally been taken from secondary compilations (identified in reference [13] in annex M) which satisfy this criterion.
- For components which are not gaseous in the pure state at the metering reference conditions,

a different approach is required. That generally adopted here is to estimate values for  $B(T)$ , using the Pitzer-Curl correlation [22], and to convert this value to a "hypothetical" value for  $Z(T,p)$  using the pure-gas analogue of equation (E.10). The Pitzer-Curl correlation may be written as

$$\frac{B(T) \cdot p_c}{R \cdot T_c} = (0,144\ 5 + 0,073\omega) - \frac{0,330 - 0,46\omega}{T_r} - \frac{0,138\ 5 + 0,50\omega}{T_r^2} - \frac{0,012\ 1 + 0,097\omega}{T_r^3} - \frac{0,007\ 3\omega}{T_r^8} \dots \quad (\text{E.18})$$

In this expression, the subscript c identifies the value at the gas-liquid critical point, the subscript r identifies the value of a quantity divided by its value at the critical point (i.e. a dimensionless "reduced" value), and  $\omega$  is the so-called acentric factor. The values used for  $T_c$ ,  $p_c$  and  $\omega$  are given in clause B.2. In converting values of  $B$  to values of  $Z$ , the second term on the right-hand side of equation (E.10) has been approximated as  $p \cdot B(T) / R \cdot T$ .

- c) There are a few remaining components which fall outside of the scope of methods a) or b). In particular, the original Pitzer-Curl correlation was developed to apply mostly to hydrocarbons and simple non-polar species. It therefore should not be applied to components such as water, methanol, carbonyl sulfide, etc. A variety of methods, which will not be elaborated here (but which are discussed in reference [13] in annex M), has been used to estimate hypothetical compression factors for such components. Fortunately, none of the components involved will ever be present, in a natural gas or natural gas substitute, in sufficient amounts that any error in  $Z$  will propagate detectably into  $Z_{\text{mix}}$ .
- d) Finally, the special cases of hydrogen, helium and neon have already been mentioned just before note 22. Note that the values listed for  $Z$  in table 2 for these components are the true values; only the values for  $\sqrt{b}$  are the pseudo-values referred to.

NOTE 23 In current US usage, as exemplified by GPA Standard 2172-86 [3], the summation factor  $\sqrt{b}$  is effectively defined as  $\sqrt{(1-Z)/p}$ . The original definition of  $\sqrt{b}$  as  $\sqrt{1-Z}$  is preferred and retained in this International Standard.

### E.3 Corrections for non-ideality: enthalpic effects

The ideal-gas molar superior calorific value  $\bar{H}_S^0$  of  $C_dH_bO_cN_dS_e$ , effectively defined in clause 2 as the negative of the standard enthalpy of combustion of the generalized combustion reaction [equation (E.1)], refers specifically to the ideal reaction; that is, not only is the combustible component assumed to be in the ideal-gas state, but so too are the reactant oxygen and all of the products (except liquid water). A correction to the enthalpy of combustion is therefore in principle required, to account for the fact that combustion reactions cannot actually take place with all components in the ideal-gas state. For a natural gas mixture, the overall combustion process is represented by the mole fraction sum of several equations of the same form as equation (E.1), each having a different set of values for the non-negative integers  $a, b, c, d, e$ .

For such a natural gas mixture, for the (initially separate) reactant oxygen and for the homogeneous product mixture, the departure per mole  $[h(T,p) - h^0(T)]$  of the actual enthalpy from the value  $h^0(T)$  in the ideal-gas state at the same temperature, can be calculated if a suitable equation of state is available. For the binary molecular collision (low pressure) approximation it can be shown [7] that in each case, the enthalpy departure is given by the equation

$$\frac{h(T,p,x) - h^0(T,x)}{R \cdot T} = \frac{B(T,x) - T \left( \frac{dB}{dT} \right)_x}{V_m(T,p,x)} \dots \quad (\text{E.19})$$

where

$B(T,x)$  is the second virial coefficient for a composition  $x$ ;

$V_m(T,p,x)$  is the molar volume, obtainable as the positive solution of the quadratic equation

$$V_m(T,p,x) = \frac{R \cdot T}{p} \left[ 1 + \frac{B(T,x)}{V_m(T,p,x)} \right] \dots \quad (\text{E.20})$$

The total enthalpy correction can then be formed as the appropriately weighted sum (i.e. according to stoichiometry) of the three such terms; the contributions from the reactants have to be applied in the opposite sense to that from the products.

Making calculations of this sort is not impossible, but nevertheless is not a practical proposition for manual calculations. Even with computer power available, it is not a trivial task, largely because of the data re-

quirements for the general evaluation of  $B$  and its temperature derivative. Fortunately it can be shown<sup>[7]</sup>, by sample calculation, that for natural gas type mixtures under the conditions of interest, the

total correction is negligibly small, typically being no greater than  $50 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  (approximately 0,005 %). Enthalpic correction effects are considered no further in this International Standard.

## Annex F (informative)

### Effects of water vapour on calorific value

#### F.1 General

Some calorimeters used for the direct measurement, by combustion, of calorific value per unit volume saturate the fuel gas with water vapour before combustion (during metering), and will therefore measure, and probably (but not necessarily) report, calorific values on an (assumed) saturated basis. Such values are lower than those for the unsaturated (dry or partially saturated) gas, in simple terms, because of the displacement of fuel gas by water vapour in the metering system.

Other instruments used for either the direct or indirect determination of calorific value may not function in an analogous way. For example:

- some direct combustion calorimeters burn the gas on an "as received" basis (i.e. with its prevailing water vapour content) and report the actual calorific value, but on an (assumed) dry basis;
- some instruments dry the gas prior to calorific value determination, and so measure and report a dry gas value even though the gas may originally have contained water vapour;
- instruments for component-analysis of gases (in particular gas-chromatographs) usually analyse for all important components with the single exception of water, and therefore a calculated calorific value is reported on a dry basis, even though the gas may actually contain water vapour.

Therefore, in order to make valid comparisons of gas calorific values determined by different techniques, it is necessary to take into account:

- the degree of saturation with water vapour of the gas in its original state;
- the degree of saturation with water vapour of the gas during the measurement procedure (i.e. after metering);
- the operational characteristics of the measurement instrument or procedure; and

- the degree of saturation with water vapour of the gas referred to in the reported calorific value.

When all of these factors are known, it is possible to refer all determinations of calorific value to a uniform and consistent basis.

Although the main text of this International Standard refers to calculations for the dry gas, it is suggested that the most logical basis in general is the "as received" basis, in which the calorific value is determined, and quoted, with any water vapour present considered as just another component of the mixture, and having a definite mole fraction. There are three considerations to take into account in making calculations if this approach is adopted, especially if analysis for water vapour does not form part of the primary analytical procedure (i.e. if its amount has to be inferred by secondary means, such as hygrometric or dew-point measurements).

#### F.2 Excluded volume effect

Water may be present in natural gas at a partial pressure  $p_w$  of up to its saturation vapour pressure  $p_s$  at the reference conditions of the gas metering system. The traditional way of viewing such water vapour is to consider it as excluding a proportion  $p_w/p_2$  of the metering volume from the actual dry fuel gas, thereby reducing the determined calorific value by this proportion to the value

$$\tilde{H}(\text{measured}) = \tilde{H}(\text{dry gas}) \times \frac{p_2 - p_w}{p_2} \quad \dots (F.1)$$

where  $\tilde{H}$  is the calorific value (either superior or inferior) on a volumetric basis.

An entirely equivalent way of viewing this effect (for purposes of calculation rather than measurement), but preferable because it is more evident that  $H$  may now represent the calorific value on either a molar, mass or volumetric basis, is to proceed in terms of mole fractions. Suppose a mole fraction analysis of the gas, excluding any water vapour, is known (as is the assumption for the main text of this International Standard). If the partial pressure of water vapour in the sample is now somehow determined, its mole frac-

tion may be taken as  $p_w/p_2$ . In order to retain the sum of the mole fraction of the entire mixture as unity, the mole fraction of each component must be normalized by multiplication by the factor  $(p_2 - p_w)/p_2$ . Thus, since the calculated calorific value is a summation of linear terms in component mole fractions, the calculated calorific value is simply reduced by this proportion (except for secondary effects referred to in clauses F.3 and F.4), just as is seen from the previous viewpoint.

This primary effect can be important, as the following example shows. Suppose we wish to calculate the calorific value on a saturated-gas basis from a dry-gas analysis, perhaps in order to make a meaningful comparison between the analytically dry-gas calorific value and that determined by a calorimeter which saturates the same gas during metering. Suppose also that the dry-gas volumetric calorific value is  $38,00 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$  at combustion and metering reference conditions of  $15^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $101,325 \text{ kPa}$ . At  $15^\circ\text{C}$ , the saturation vapour pressure is  $1,705 \text{ kPa}$ , and the mole fraction of water in natural gas saturated with water at the reference conditions is

$$x_w = \frac{1,705}{101,325} = 0,016\ 83 \quad \dots (\text{F.2})$$

Thus, the saturated-gas calorific value (ignoring the secondary effects discussed in clauses F.3 and F.4) is less than the dry-gas calorific value by  $(1 - 0,016\ 83)$ , i.e.:

$$\tilde{H}_s = 38,00 \times 0,983\ 17 = 37,36 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3} \quad \dots (\text{F.3})$$

With differences in calorific values of up to  $1,68\%$ , depending on the amount of water vapour present, it is obviously very important to consider the way in which water vapour is accounted for by a measurement or analysis technique. An especially tricky situation can arise for a gas containing water vapour as a known component at below its saturation vapour pressure. In this case, the dry-gas, as received and saturated-gas calorific values are all calculable, all different and all capable of being confused with one another.

### F.3 Latent heat (enthalpic) effect

A secondary effect of the presence of water vapour in a sample gas is ignored in clause F.2. The latent heat of vaporization of the water produced by the combustion of hydrocarbons is a significant factor in the determination of the calorific value of those hydrocarbons and, consequently, the state of that water is precisely defined in 2.1 and 2.2.

In the case of the superior calorific value (2.1), it is required that all the water produced by the combustion reaction is condensed to the liquid state at the reference temperature for combustion,  $t_1$ . This requirement may be impractical, but it does provide a theoretical basis for the calculation of superior calorific value for a dry natural gas. However, the presence of water vapour in the gas volume prior to combustion presents a problem of how to treat the state of that water after combustion:

- is it to be assumed, however impractical, that this water remains gaseous after combustion, thus having no effect on the heat of combustion; or
- is it to be assumed that this water is also condensed to the liquid state at the reference temperature for combustion,  $t_1$ , thereby enhancing the heat of combustion by the released latent heat of vaporization of water?

It is suggested that the most logically consistent treatment of the superior calorific value is to assume that all water, both that contained in the gas volume prior to combustion and that produced by combustion, is condensed to the liquid state at the reference temperature for combustion,  $t_1$ . Therefore, the water vapour contained in the gas volume is to be treated as a component of the natural gas at a particular mole fraction and having a calorific value derived from the latent heat of vaporization of water; in other words there is another  $x_j H_j$  term in the summation, for water. That is why the superior calorific values for water vapour given in tables 3, 4 and 5 are not zero. Such treatment results in only a small enhancement of calorific value; assuming saturation with water vapour, the enhancement is independent of gas composition and is only dependent on the gas volume (metering) temperature. On a volumetric basis, the enhancement for a saturated gas is

- for metering at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ , an enhancement of  $0,01 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ ;
- for metering at  $15^\circ\text{C}$ , an enhancement of  $0,03 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ ;
- for metering at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ , an enhancement of  $0,045 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ .

For inferior calorific value, all water vapour remains in the gas phase, and so there is no enthalpic effect of this type to consider.

### F.4 Compression factor effect

There is a third effect that is even more minor, but

this should nevertheless be taken into account. The presence of water vapour affects the compression factor of the mixture, and thus alters the real-gas calorific value on a volumetric basis by a calculable amount. At 15 °C,  $Z$  is changed from dry to saturated by only about 4 in 10 000 (0,998 1 to 0,997 7) for a typical natural gas.

The main text of this International Standard refers only to the treatment of dry natural gas, as this is recommended as the preferred state. In the event that it is necessary to make calculations for natural gas containing water vapour, however, the points mentioned above should be taken into account when deciding upon a suitable approach.

**Annex G**  
(informative)

**Summary, discussion and selection of the calorific value of methane**

The enthalpy of combustion of methane is unarguably the single most important physical property value used in the determination of the calorific value of natural gas. Not only is methane the major component of natural gas, but ultra-high purity methane is frequently used as a calibration gas for recording calorimeters routinely used to measure the calorific value of natural gas.

The heat of combustion of methane was first determined in 1848, and since then eight studies have been reported. However, only two sets of values of the standard molar enthalpy of combustion at 25 °C for methane of normal isotopic composition, derived from measurements having claimed levels of accuracy and precision appropriate to present considerations, are available in the scientific literature for conversion to the quantities requiring to be listed in this International Standard.

These two studies are those of Rossini (1931)[23] and of Pittam and Pilcher (1972)[24].

The values of the data points, in chronological order, of these two studies are given below (Rossini's values have been reworked by Armstrong and Jobe [7] in accordance with current molecular mass and temperature scale assignments, etc.).

| <b>Rossini</b><br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> | <b>Pittam and Pilcher</b><br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| – 891,823                              | – 890,36                                          |
| – 890,633                              | – 891,23                                          |
| – 890,013                              | – 890,62                                          |
| – 890,503                              | – 890,24                                          |
| – 890,340                              | – 890,61                                          |
| – 890,061                              | – 891,17                                          |

In the analysis of his own data, Rossini rejected the highest (first) value as an outlier, which gives a mean of – 890,31 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> ± 0,27 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> based on the remaining five data points. Pittam and Pilcher used all six of their data points to calculate a mean of – 890,71 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> ± 0,41 kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>. (The uncertainty figures quoted represent one standard deviation.)

In reviewing the two studies, Armstrong and Jobe concluded that, while they agreed with Rossini's

treatment of his own data in rejecting one point as an outlier, if all the data points are taken together as a single set, there is then no clear statistical evidence that any data point(s) should be discarded. Armstrong and Jobe also considered several technical and logistical points which remain valid; these, together with some further points, are as follows.

- a) Impurity levels of the methane samples: the sample Rossini used had a measured impurity level of 1 210 ppm carbon monoxide, for which a correction was made, while Pittam and Pilcher used a sample containing less than 5 ppm impurities.
- b) Determination of the completeness of reaction: Rossini measured the water formation, the standard method at the time, while Pittam and Pilcher measured the carbon dioxide formation, today's preferred method.
- c) Calibration techniques and traceability linkages: Rossini calibrated his calorimeter using an electrical heating method, with traceability to NBS metrology standards, while Pittam and Pilcher used the combustion of hydrogen for calibration purposes, with traceability to Rossini's earlier work on the combustion of hydrogen.
- d) Correlation of the heats of formation of the alkane series: an analysis of several heats of formation (derived from heats of combustion) of the lower *n*-alkane homologous series favours the more uniform values, with respect to the CH<sub>2</sub> increment, of Pittam and Pilcher and may suggest a value for methane which is between the values of the two studies.
- e) "Sealing" of the calorimeters: Rossini used oil films to "seal" his calorimeter for each individual experiment (re-assembling the calorimeter each time), whereas Pittam and Pilcher claim to have "sealed" their calorimeter for the duration of the test series, but in fact removed a platinum resistance thermometer after each experiment and replaced it with a mercury thermoregulator, with the consequent possibility of water loss.



f) Re-assembly of the calorimeter: Rossini re-assembled his calorimeter prior to each experiment, filling it with a weighed quantity of water, and referred his calibration and combustion to a standard mass of water, whereas Pittam and Pilcher calibrated their calorimeter during a series of experiments and then used that energy equivalent throughout their work, even after the calorimeter had been dismantled, modified and re-assembled, the justification for the continued use of the same energy equivalent apparently being the same mass of water used to refill the calorimeter.

Ultimately, it is difficult, if not impossible, to analyse these various points and to quantify their effects on the data sets in order to decide which of the two should be used or, if both sets of data are to be used, to decide upon weighting factors to use for the individual data points.

Therefore, for the purpose of this International Standard, it has been decided to attribute equal weight importance to each data set, retaining all data points, which results in a standard enthalpy of combustion for methane at 25 °C of  $-890,63 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} \pm 0,53 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ , with just one data point not within two standard deviations of the mean. This viewpoint is in accordance with the conclusion reached by Garvin in the final report [12] of the project for which the earlier Armstrong and Jobe report [7] was an interim publication.

NOTE 24 – Pittam and Pilcher's fourth data point is unfortunately misprinted as  $-890,34$  in reference [7] in annex M; consequently the global mean value given in references [7] and [13] is in error by  $0,02 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ .

For convenience, a self-consistent set of resulting calorific values for methane for all of the conditions considered in this International Standard is given in tables G.1 to G.3.

**Table G.1 — Calorific value of methane: molar basis**  
(95 % confidence limit of approximately  $\pm 1,0 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ )

| Type of calorific value | °C | $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ |
|-------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| Superior                | 25 | 890,63                          |
| Superior                | 20 | 891,09                          |
| Superior                | 15 | 891,56                          |
| Superior                | 0  | 892,97                          |
| Inferior                | 25 | 802,60                          |
| Inferior                | 20 | 802,65                          |
| Inferior                | 15 | 802,69                          |
| Inferior                | 0  | 802,82                          |

**Table G.2 — Calorific value of methane: mass basis**  
(95 % confidence limit of approximately  $\pm 0,06 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ )

| Type of calorific value | °C | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ |
|-------------------------|----|--------------------------------|
| Superior                | 25 | 55,516                         |
| Superior                | 20 | 55,545                         |
| Superior                | 15 | 55,574                         |
| Superior                | 0  | 55,662                         |
| Inferior                | 25 | 50,029                         |
| Inferior                | 20 | 50,032                         |
| Inferior                | 15 | 50,035                         |
| Inferior                | 0  | 50,043                         |

**Table G.3 — Calorific value of methane: volumetric basis**

(95 % confidence limit of approximately  $\pm 0,05 \text{ MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ )

| Description                                                 | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 0 °C  | 39,735                        |
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 0 °C  | 39,777                        |
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 15 °C | 37,706                        |
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 0 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 39,840                        |
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 20 °C, Metering at 20 °C | 37,044                        |
| Ideal Gas, Superior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 20 °C | 37,024                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 0 °C  | 35,808                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 0 °C  | 35,812                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 15 °C | 33,948                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 0 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 35,818                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 20 °C, Metering at 20 °C | 33,367                        |
| Ideal Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 20 °C | 33,365                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 39,831                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 39,872                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 15 °C  | 37,782                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 0 °C, Metering at 0 °C    | 39,936                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 20 °C, Metering at 20 °C  | 37,115                        |
| Real Gas, Superior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 20 °C  | 37,095                        |
| Real Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 35,894                        |
| Real Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 0 °C   | 35,898                        |
| Real Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 15 °C, Metering at 15 °C  | 34,016                        |
| Real Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 0 °C, Metering at 0 °C    | 35,904                        |
| Real Gas, Inferior, Combustion at 20 °C, Metering at 20 °C  | 33,431                        |
| Real gas, Inferior, Combustion at 25 °C, Metering at 20 °C  | 33,428                        |

## Annex H (informative)

### Derivation of equations relating to precision

Equations (18), (19), (22), (23) and (24) were derived as follows.

#### H.1 Methane by difference

The fundamental equation given in the main text for the calculation of ideal calorific value (either molar or volumetric) from molar composition is

$$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \cdot H_j^{\circ} \quad \dots (H.1)$$

In the case where all components except methane are analysed, the methane concentration being calculated by difference, there are actually  $N - 1$  independent composition variables  $x_j$ , and equation (H.1) may be rewritten as:

$$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = x_1 \cdot H_1^{\circ} + \sum_{j=2}^N x_j \cdot H_j^{\circ} \quad \dots (H.2)$$

where

$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ}$  is the ideal-gas calorific value of the mixture;

$x_1$  is the mole fraction of methane, given by

$$x_1 = 1 - \sum_{j=2}^N x_j$$

where

$x_j$  is the mole fraction of component  $j$ ;

$H_1^{\circ}$  is the ideal-gas calorific value of methane;

$H_j^{\circ}$  is the ideal-gas calorific value of component  $j$ .

Equation (H.2) may be re-arranged, in order to remove the dependent variable  $x_1$ , as follows:

$$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = \left( 1 - \sum_{j=2}^N x_j \right) \cdot H_1^{\circ} + \sum_{j=2}^N x_j \cdot H_j^{\circ} \quad \dots (H.3)$$

$$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = H_1^{\circ} + \sum_{j=2}^N x_j \cdot (H_j^{\circ} - H_1^{\circ}) \quad \dots (H.4)$$

For each term in the summation we may form the partial derivative as follows:

$$\left( \frac{\partial H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ}}{\partial x_j} \right)_{x_k \neq x_j} = H_j^{\circ} - H_1^{\circ} \quad \dots (H.5)$$

Hence the contribution of the repeatability  $\Delta x_j$  of  $x_j$  to the repeatability of  $H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ}$  is given by:

$$\Delta(H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ})_j = \Delta x_j \cdot (H_j^{\circ} - H_1^{\circ}) \quad \dots (H.6)$$

When all  $N - 1$  such terms are combined in quadrature, we obtain equation (18):

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = \left\{ \sum_{j=2}^N [\Delta x_j \cdot (H_j^{\circ} - H_1^{\circ})]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (H.7)$$

#### H.2 Methane by analysis

When all components including methane are analysed, there are  $N$  independent composition variables  $x_j^*$ , but these do not in general sum to unity as required for input to equation (H.1). In this case, equation (H.1) may be rewritten as

$$H_{\text{mix}}^{\circ} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^* \cdot H_j^{\circ}}{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^*} \quad \dots (H.8)$$

where

$$x_j = \frac{x_j^*}{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^*} \text{ for all } j. \quad \dots (H.9)$$

For each term in equation (H.8), we may form the partial derivative as follows:

$$\left( \frac{\partial H_{\text{mix}}^0}{\partial x_j^*} \right)_{x_i^* \neq x_j^*} = \frac{H_j^0}{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^*} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^* \cdot H_j^0}{\left( \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^* \right)^2} \quad \dots (H.10)$$

or

$$\left( \frac{\partial H_{\text{mix}}^0}{\partial x_j^*} \right)_{x_i^* \neq x_j^*} = \frac{H_j^0 - H_{\text{mix}}^0}{K} \quad \dots (H.11)$$

where

$$K = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^* \quad \dots (H.12)$$

Hence, ignoring the factor  $K$ , which is always close to unity for acceptable experimental results, the contribution of the repeatability  $\Delta x_j^*$  of  $x_j^*$  to the repeatability of  $H_{\text{mix}}^0$  is given by the equation

$$(\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0)_j = \Delta x_j^* \cdot (H_j^0 - H_{\text{mix}}^0) \quad \dots (H.13)$$

When all  $N$  such terms are combined in quadrature, we obtain equation (19):

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0 = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N [\Delta x_j^* \cdot (H_j^0 - H_{\text{mix}}^0)]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad \dots (H.14)$$

Note that the component repeatabilities  $\Delta x_j^*$  are those of the non-normalized mole fractions  $x_j^*$ , even though  $H_{\text{mix}}^0$  itself is calculated using the normalized mole fractions  $x_j$ .

This expression may be recast in an alternative form. Equation (H.13) may be rewritten as

$$(\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0)_j = \Delta x_j^* \cdot \left[ H_j^0 (1 - x_j) - \sum_{k \neq j} x_k \cdot H_k^0 \right] \quad \dots (H.15)$$

When all  $N$  such terms are combined in quadrature and re-arranged, we obtain:

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0 = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^N \left\{ [(1 - x_j) \cdot H_j^0 \cdot \Delta x_j^*]^2 - \sum_{k \neq j} [x_j \cdot H_j^0 \cdot \Delta x_k^*]^2 \right\}} \quad \dots (H.16)$$

Note that the component repeatabilities in this expression are again those of the non-normalized mole fractions, although the mole fractions themselves are normalized values.

Equations (22) and (23) were derived using arguments similar to those which led to equations (H.7) and (H.14), respectively.

Equation (24) is obtained by combining in quadrature the relative repeatabilities of the appropriate factors in the defining expression for the ideal Wobbe index, as follows:

$$\frac{\Delta W^0}{W^0} = \left[ \left( \frac{\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0}{H_{\text{mix}}^0} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Delta d^{1/2}}{d^{1/2}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad \dots (H.17)$$

which is mathematically identical to the equation

$$\frac{\Delta W^0}{W^0} = \left[ \left( \frac{\Delta H_{\text{mix}}^0}{H_{\text{mix}}^0} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Delta d}{2d} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad \dots (H.18)$$

**Annex J**  
(informative)

**Approximate conversion factors between reference states**

To obtain the value of a property at the reference condition given in row b) from a known value in the same units at the reference condition given in row a), multiply by the factor indicated in table J.1, J.2. or J.3. To carry out the reverse conversion, divide by the factor indicated. Conversions for properties of the ideal gas are expected to be accurate within  $\pm 0,01 \%$  for all valid compositions. For the real-gas volumetric properties (compression factor, density, relative density) the expected accuracy is  $\pm 0,02 \%$ , and for the real-gas combustion properties (calorific values, Wobbe index)  $\pm 0,1 \%$ .

**Table J.1 — Conversion factors for calorific values**

|                                           |          | Combustion (°C) |               |               |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                           |          | 25<br>to<br>15  | 25<br>to<br>0 | 15<br>to<br>0 |
| Superior calorific value on a molar basis | a)<br>b) | 1,001 0         | 1,002 6       | 1,001 6       |
| Inferior calorific value on a molar basis |          | 1,000 1         | 1,000 3       | 1,000 2       |
| Superior calorific value on a mass basis  |          | 1,001 0         | 1,002 6       | 1,001 6       |
| Inferior calorific value on a mass basis  |          | 1,000 1         | 1,000 3       | 1,000 2       |

**Table J.2 — Conversion factors for densities, relative densities and compression factor**

|                        |          | Metering (°C)  |               |               |
|------------------------|----------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
|                        |          | 20<br>to<br>15 | 20<br>to<br>0 | 15<br>to<br>0 |
| Ideal density          | a)<br>b) | 1,017 4        | 1,073 2       | 1,054 9       |
| Ideal relative density |          | 1,000 0        | 1,000 0       | 1,000 0       |
| Compression factor     |          | 0,999 9        | 0,999 5       | 0,999 6       |
| Real density           |          | 1,017 5        | 1,073 8       | 1,055 3       |
| Real relative density  |          | 1,000 1        | 1,000 3       | 1,000 2       |

**Table J.3 — Conversion factors for calorific values and Wobbe index**

|                                                  |                         | Combustion (°C) + metering (°C) |                         |                        |                         |                        |                       |                         |                        |                        |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| a)                                               | 25 + 20<br>to<br>25 + 0 | 25 + 20<br>to<br>15 + 15        | 25 + 20<br>to<br>15 + 0 | 25 + 20<br>to<br>0 + 0 | 25 + 0<br>to<br>15 + 15 | 25 + 0<br>to<br>15 + 0 | 25 + 0<br>to<br>0 + 0 | 15 + 15<br>to<br>15 + 0 | 15 + 15<br>to<br>0 + 0 | 15 + 15<br>to<br>0 + 0 |
| b)                                               |                         |                                 |                         |                        |                         |                        |                       |                         |                        |                        |
| Ideal superior calorific value on a volume basis | 1,073 2                 | 1,018 4                         | 1,074 3                 | 1,076 0                | 0,948 9                 | 1,001 0                | 1,002 6               | 1,054 9                 | 1,056 6                | 1,001 6                |
| Ideal inferior calorific value on a volume basis | 1,073 2                 | 1,017 5                         | 1,073 3                 | 1,073 5                | 0,948 1                 | 1,000 1                | 1,000 3               | 1,054 9                 | 1,055 1                | 1,000 2                |
| Ideal Wobbe index                                | 1,073 2                 | 1,018 4                         | 1,074 3                 | 1,076 0                | 0,948 9                 | 1,001 0                | 1,002 6               | 1,054 9                 | 1,056 6                | 1,001 6                |
| Real superior calorific value on a volume basis  | 1,073 8                 | 1,018 5                         | 1,074 9                 | 1,076 6                | 0,948 6                 | 1,001 0                | 1,002 6               | 1,055 3                 | 1,057 0                | 1,001 6                |
| Real inferior calorific value on a volume basis  | 1,073 8                 | 1,017 6                         | 1,073 9                 | 1,074 1                | 0,947 7                 | 1,000 1                | 1,000 3               | 1,055 3                 | 1,055 5                | 1,000 2                |
| Real Wobbe index                                 | 1,073 6                 | 1,018 5                         | 1,074 7                 | 1,076 4                | 0,948 7                 | 1,001 0                | 1,002 6               | 1,055 2                 | 1,056 9                | 1,001 6                |

## Annex K (informative)

### Computer implementation of recommended methods

A validated computer program implementing the preferred procedures and recommendations described in this International Standard is available from ISO member bodies and ISO Central Secretariat.

The program will normally be supplied on 3 1/2 in double-sided high-density diskettes, but other formats (e.g. 5 1/4 in disk) are possible. A specification and the price per copy of executable code is available upon request.

The program has primarily been written for use with IBM-compatible personal computers. Programming was carried out on an IBM-compatible PC operating under MS-DOS 3.10 revision 3.13; the programming language is GW-BASIC 3.21 revision 3.25. The resulting source code combust.ach has been converted to executable code using the Microsoft Quickbasic compiler 2.02 version 1.20.

As indicated above, combust.exe implements the procedures and recommendations of this International Standard. The quantities calculated for monitor display and (optional) printing are as follows:

|                                                 |                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Superior (gross) calorific value – Molar basis  | $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ |
| Inferior (net) calorific value – Molar basis    | $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ |
| Superior (gross) calorific value – Mass basis   | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$  |
| Inferior (net) calorific value – Mass basis     | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$  |
| Superior (gross) calorific value – Volume basis | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$   |
| Inferior (net) calorific value – Volume basis   | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$   |
| Mean molecular weight                           |                                 |
| Compression (compressibility) factor            |                                 |
| Relative density (specific gravity)             |                                 |
| Density                                         | $\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$   |
| Wobbe index                                     | $\text{MJ}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$   |

The user may choose to calculate the above properties for either the ideal or real gas, and either the “as analysed” (dry) or water-saturated gas, for any of the following sets of reference conditions:

- Metering at 0 °C and combustion at 25 °C
- Metering at 0 °C and combustion at 15 °C
- Metering and combustion both at 0 °C
- Metering and combustion both at 15 °C
- Metering and combustion both at 20 °C
- Metering at 20 °C and combustion at 25 °C

where in all cases the reference pressure is 101,325 kPa. Advice is available within the program on the appropriate choice of reference conditions.

#### NOTES

25 Calorific values on a volume basis, in British Thermal units per cubic foot at 60/60 °F may also be calculated from the values in megajoules per cubic metre at 15/15 °C for a variety of reference pressures, but the method used for these calculations does not form part of this International Standard.

26 In addition, the program calculates the following properties, but again the method used is not specified in this International Standard

|                                          |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lower flammability limit in air at 25 °C | % (V/V)   |
| Upper flammability limit in air at 25 °C | % (V/V)   |
| Stoichiometric air requirement           | by volume |

Once combust.exe is loaded, all input information is solicited in a suitably user-friendly manner. Apart from option selections, all that the user has to provide is the composition, by mole percent or mole fraction, and a sample identification code. There are several built-in error traps which, without crashing the program, identify faulty input, such as the failure of the input mole fractions to sum to unity or a methane mole fraction below the lower allowable limit of 0,5. Invalid inputs for option selections are also signalled.

One useful option is the capability of directing output to a printer. With this hard-copy option (but not with the monitor display) comes the additional option of listing the sample composition together with the numerical results. This capability highlights an important technical point concerning calculations for saturated gases. Such calculations are carried out in accordance with the principle that, if a "saturated" option is selected, the composition of the sample gas is (after validity checks) normalized to a new composition which reflects the presence of water vapour (at the appropriate saturation vapour pressure) as an additional component of the mixture, present at a definite mole fraction value. The program then calculates the properties of the saturated mixture for this revised composition. Consequently, the composition listed on a printout for a saturated gas is not the same as the original "dry" input composition, and the superior calorific value reported takes into account the heat released by condensation of both the water vapour formed during combustion and that present in the saturated mixture. (See annex F.)

A typical retyped printout is shown in the table K.1. This, in fact, is for a real, dry gas of the composition used for the example calculations given in annex D, and with the same reference conditions (15/15 °C) as therein.

NOTE 27 Although the program combust.exe and the associated files species.dat, molwt.dat, zz-00.dat, zz-15.dat, zz-20.dat, cv-00.dat, cv-15.dat, cv-20.dat, cv-25.dat, water.dat, stoic.dat, lower.dat, upper.dat and refcons.txt will be made available in good faith, there is no implied warranty for their use in contractual or other commercial applications, and no guarantee that they are all error-free. However, they have undergone testing by several experts and contain no known errors at the time of going to press.



**Table K.1 — Example of a retyped printout**

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**Results for mixture/sample**

Composition (mol/mol)

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Methane           | = 0,924 70 |
| Ethane            | = 0,035 00 |
| Propane           | = 0,009 80 |
| <i>n</i> -Butane  | = 0,002 20 |
| 2-Methylpropane   | = 0,003 40 |
| <i>n</i> -Pentane | = 0,000 60 |
| Nitrogen          | = 0,017 50 |
| Carbon dioxide    | = 0,006 80 |

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|                                             |                             |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Superior calorific value — Molar basis      | 919,09 kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> |
| Inferior calorific value — Molar basis      | 829,1 kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>  |
| Superior calorific value — Molar basis      | 52,59 MJ·kg <sup>-1</sup>   |
| Inferior calorific value — Molar basis      | 47,44 MJ·kg <sup>-1</sup>   |
| Superior calorific value — Volumetric basis | 38,96 MJ·m <sup>-3</sup>    |
| Inferior calorific value — Volumetric basis | 35,15 MJ·m <sup>-3</sup>    |
| Mean molecular weight                       | 17,478                      |
| Compression factor                          | 0,997 7                     |
| Relative density                            | 0,604 6                     |
| Density                                     | 0,740 9 kg·m <sup>-3</sup>  |
| Wobbe index                                 | 50,11 MJ·m <sup>-3</sup>    |
| Stoichiometric air-to-gas requirement       | 9,85 by volume              |
| Lower flammability limit in air at 25 °C    | 4,8 % (V/V) (gas/mix)       |
| Upper flammability limit in air at 25 °C    | 15,1 % (V/V) (gas/mix)      |

## Annex L (informative)

### Calorific values on a molar basis for 60 °F reference temperature

**Table L.1 — Calorific values for components of natural gas at 60 °F for the ideal gas on a molar basis**

All values of  $\bar{H}_S^0$  (60 °F) and  $\bar{H}_I^0$  (60 °F) have been obtained by a specified calculation from  $\bar{H}_S^0$  (25 °C) (see clause E.1)

| Component |                        | Ideal calorific value on a molar basis, $\bar{H}^0$<br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> at 60 °F |          |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
|           |                        | Superior                                                                             | Inferior |
| 1         | Methane                | 891,51                                                                               | 802,69   |
| 2         | Ethane                 | 1 562,06                                                                             | 1 428,83 |
| 3         | Propane                | 2 220,99                                                                             | 2 043,35 |
| 4         | <i>n</i> -Butane       | 2 879,63                                                                             | 2 657,58 |
| 5         | 2-Methylpropane        | 2 870,45                                                                             | 2 648,40 |
| 6         | <i>n</i> -Pentane      | 3 538,44                                                                             | 3 271,98 |
| 7         | 2-Methylbutane         | 3 531,52                                                                             | 3 265,06 |
| 8         | 2,2-Dimethylpropane    | 3 517,27                                                                             | 3 250,81 |
| 9         | <i>n</i> -Hexane       | 4 198,06                                                                             | 3 887,19 |
| 10        | 2-Methylpentane        | 4 190,43                                                                             | 3 879,57 |
| 11        | 3-Methylpentane        | 4 193,03                                                                             | 3 882,17 |
| 12        | 2,2-Dimethylbutane     | 4 180,64                                                                             | 3 869,78 |
| 13        | 2,3-Dimethylbutane     | 4 188,41                                                                             | 3 877,55 |
| 14        | <i>n</i> -Heptane      | 4 856,97                                                                             | 4 501,69 |
| 15        | <i>n</i> -Octane       | 5 515,77                                                                             | 5 116,08 |
| 16        | <i>n</i> -Nonane       | 6 175,56                                                                             | 5 731,46 |
| 17        | <i>n</i> -Decane       | 6 834,61                                                                             | 6 346,11 |
| 18        | Ethylene               | 1 412,06                                                                             | 1 323,24 |
| 19        | Propylene              | 2 059,35                                                                             | 1 926,12 |
| 20        | 1-Butene               | 2 718,59                                                                             | 2 540,96 |
| 21        | <i>cis</i> -2-Butene   | 2 711,8                                                                              | 2 534,2  |
| 22        | <i>trans</i> -2-Butene | 2 708,2                                                                              | 2 530,5  |
| 23        | 2-Methylpropene        | 2 701,9                                                                              | 2 524,3  |
| 24        | 1-Pentene              | 3 377,62                                                                             | 3 155,57 |
| 25        | Propadiene             | 1 943,91                                                                             | 1 855,09 |
| 26        | 1,2-Butadiene          | 2 595,05                                                                             | 2 461,82 |
| 27        | 1,3-Butadiene          | 2 542,03                                                                             | 2 408,80 |
| 28        | Acetylene              | 1 301,35                                                                             | 1 256,94 |

| Component |                     | Ideal calorific value on a molar basis, $\bar{H}^0$<br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> at 60 °F |          |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
|           |                     | Superior                                                                             | Inferior |
| 29        | Cyclopentane        | 3 322,04                                                                             | 3 100,00 |
| 30        | Methylcyclopentane  | 3 972,29                                                                             | 3 705,83 |
| 31        | Ethylcyclopentane   | 4 631,75                                                                             | 4 320,89 |
| 32        | Cyclohexane         | 3 955,85                                                                             | 3 689,39 |
| 33        | Methylcyclohexane   | 4 603,90                                                                             | 4 293,03 |
| 34        | Ethylcyclohexane    | 5 266,73                                                                             | 4 911,46 |
| 35        | Benzene             | 3 302,78                                                                             | 3 169,55 |
| 36        | Toluene             | 3 949,70                                                                             | 3 772,07 |
| 37        | Ethylbenzene        | 4 609,40                                                                             | 4 387,35 |
| 38        | o-Xylene            | 4 598,51                                                                             | 4 376,46 |
| 39        | Methanol            | 765,03                                                                               | 676,21   |
| 40        | Methanethiol        | 1 240,23                                                                             | 1 151,41 |
| 41        | Hydrogen            | 286,13                                                                               | 241,72   |
| 42        | Water <sup>1)</sup> | 44,410                                                                               | 0        |
| 43        | Hydrogen sulfide    | 562,36                                                                               | 517,95   |
| 44        | Ammonia             | 383,47                                                                               | 316,86   |
| 45        | Hydrogen cyanide    | 671,7                                                                                | 649,5    |
| 46        | Carbon monoxide     | 282,91                                                                               | 282,91   |
| 47        | Carbonyl sulfide    | 548,15                                                                               | 548,15   |
| 48        | Carbonyl disulfide  | 1 104,33                                                                             | 1 104,33 |

1) The non-zero calorific value of water vapour is derived formally from the definition of superior calorific value, which requires condensation to the liquid state of all water vapour in the products of combustion. Thus, any water vapour present in an otherwise dry gas contributes its latent heat of vaporization to the superior calorific value of the mixture. (See annex F for a fuller explanation.)

Values of  $\hat{H}^0$  (60 °F), the calorific value on a mass basis, either superior or inferior, may be calculated from the calorific value on a molar basis  $\bar{H}^0$  using the methods given in clause 6.

Values of  $\tilde{H}^0$  (60 °F), the calorific value on a volumetric basis, either superior or inferior, may be calculated from the calorific value on a molar basis using the methods described in clause 7.

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