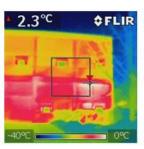
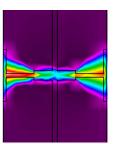
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Week 6: September 27, 2016

Psychrometrics (chart and definitions)

Built Environment Research





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Exam 1 graded and returned

- Overall grade summary
 - Mean: 84%
 - Standard deviation: 11%
 - Minimum: 61%
 - Maximum: 98%
- Undergraduate average: 85%
- Graduate average: 83%

Graduate student projects

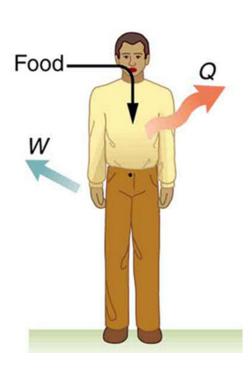
- Expectations document on BB now
 - Individual projects
 - Literature review
 - Some modeling and/or measurement
 - Conference paper and presentation
- Due dates for deliverables:
 - Tuesday, October 18: Project topic
 - Thursday, December 1: Final report and presentation in class

Graduate student projects: Topic suggestions

- Energy questions
 - Efficiency of radiant vs. central forced air heating/cooling?
 - Efficiency of different air distribution systems (e.g., overhead/UFAD)
 - Net zero energy/carbon design/operation
 - Electrical metering and power draw signatures
- HVAC systems
 - Heat pumps, geothermal, energy recovery, absorption chillers, cogeneration
- Green building rating systems
 - LEED, Green Globes, EnergyStar, Living Building, BREEAM, 189.1
- Moisture
 - Dampness, fungal growth, remediation, buffering capacity
- IAQ/IEQ
 - Thermal comfort, aerosols, ventilation, VOCs
- Other
 - Electrical, lighting, plumbing, acoustics
- Tools you can use:
 - Energy simulation, MATLAB modeling, measurements in BERG Lab

Last time (September 15)

Human thermal comfort



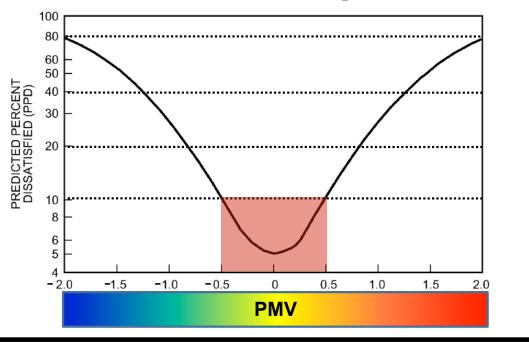
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$$18.4 \frac{Btu}{h \cdot ft^2} = 58 \frac{W}{m^2}$$

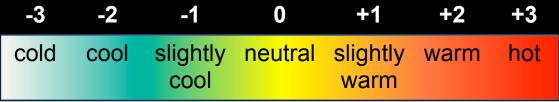
$$A_D = 0.202m^{0.425}l^{0.725}$$

 $Q = MA_{skin}$ $A_D = DuBois surface area, m²$

m = mass, kg

l = height, m





ASHRAE comfort zone

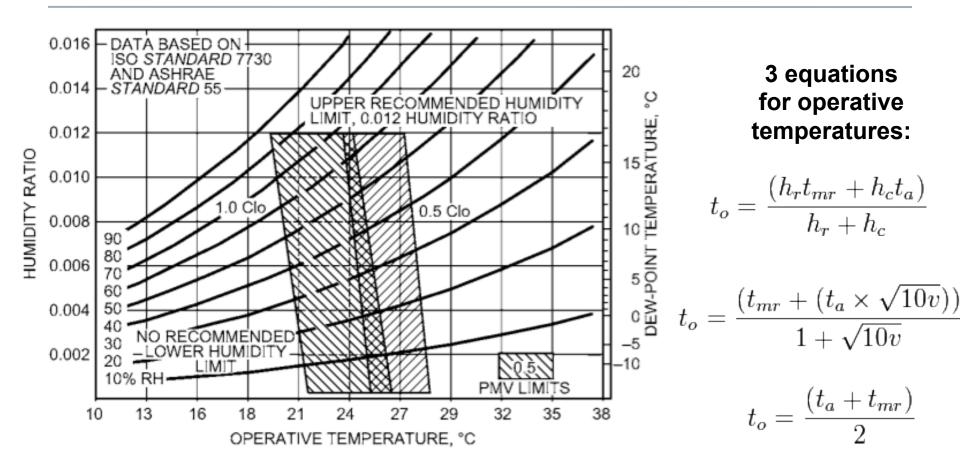
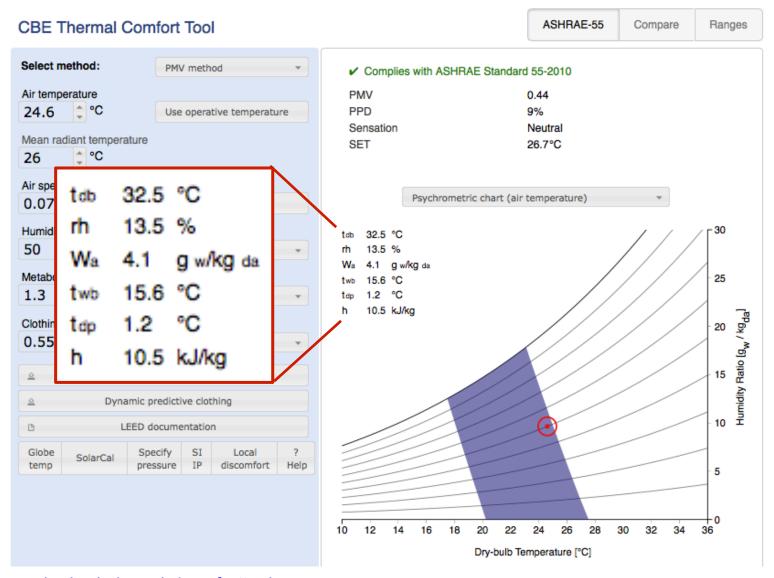


Fig. 5 ASHRAE Summer and Winter Comfort Zones

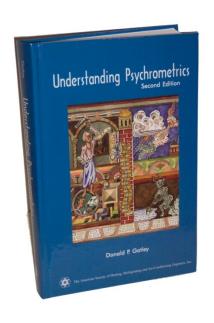
[Acceptable ranges of operative temperature and humidity with air speed ≤ 0.2 m/s for people wearing 1.0 and 0.5 clo clothing during primarily sedentary activity (≤1.1 met)].

ASHRAE comfort zone: CBE Thermal Comfort Tool



PSYCHROMETRICS

Psychrometrics



Psychrometrics is the science and engineering of air/vapor mixtures

 For architectural engineers and building scientists, the vapor is usually water vapor

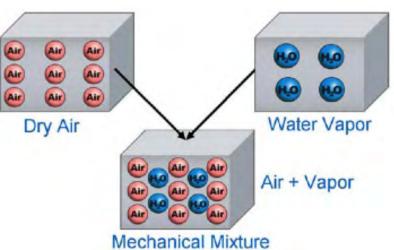
 We use psychrometrics to relate the thermodynamic and physical properties of moist air

Applying psychrometrics

- We need to understand air temperature and moisture content to understand human thermal comfort
 - In hot, humid weather we design HVAC systems to remove moisture by dehumidification/cooling
 - In dry, cold weather, we add moisture by humidifiers
- We are also concerned about moisture for energy use, structural, aesthetic, and indoor air quality reasons
- Psychrometrics also involves learning how to use and combine a variety of moist air parameters

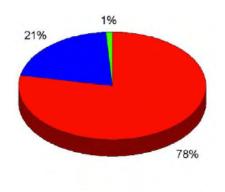
Some definitions for psychrometrics

- Atmospheric air contains:
 - Many gaseous components
 - Water vapor
 - Contaminants (particulate matter and gaseous pollutants)
- Dry air is atmospheric air with all of the water vapor removed
- Moist air is a two-component mixture of dry air and water vapor



Standard composition of <u>dry air</u>

Gas	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Volume %
Nitrogen (N ₂)	32.000	78.084
Oxygen (O ₂)	28.016	20.946
Argon (Ar)	39.444	0.9340
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	44.010	0.03697
Neon (Ne)	20.179	0.00182
Helium (He)	4.002	0.00052
Methane (CH ₄)	16.042	0.00014
Krypton	83.800	0.00010



■ Nitrogen ■ Oxygen ■ Other Gases

Where does water fit in?

Standard composition of moist air

Gas	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Volume %
Nitrogen (N ₂)	32.000	78.084%
Oxygen (O ₂)	28.016	20.946%
Water (H ₂ O)	18.015	0 to 4%
Argon (Ar)	39.444	0.9340%
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	44.010	0.03697%
Neon (Ne)	20.179	0.00182%
Helium (He)	4.002	0.00052%
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Key terms for describing moist air

- To describe and deal with moist air, we need to be able to describe the relative portions of <u>dry air</u> and <u>water vapor</u>
- There are several different equivalent measures...
- Which one you use depends on what data you have to start with and what quantity you are trying to find
- If you know two properties, you can usually get all the others

Key terms for describing moist air

Key terms to learn today:

- 1. Dry bulb temperature
- 2. Vapor pressure
- 3. Saturation
- 4. Relative humidity
- 5. Absolute humidity (or humidity ratio)
- 6. Dew point temperature
- 7. Wet bulb temperature
- 8. Enthalpy
- 9. Density
- 10. Specific volume

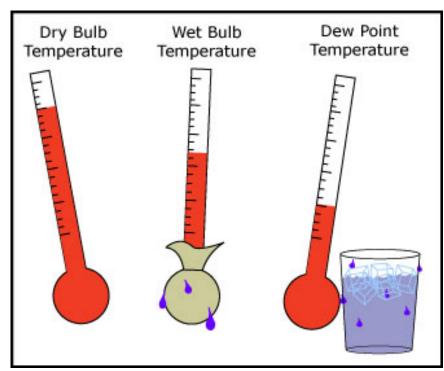
Three different temperatures: T, T_{dew} , and T_{wb}

The standard temperature, T, we are all familiar with is called the **dry-bulb** temperature, or T_d

It is a measure of internal energy

We can also define:

- Dew-point temperature, T_{dew}
 - Temperature at which water vapor changes into liquid (condensation)
 - Air is maximally saturated with water vapor
- Wet-bulb temperature, T_{wb}
 - The temperature that a parcel of air would have if it were cooled to saturation (100% relative humidity) by the evaporation of water into it



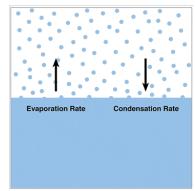
*Units of Celsius, Fahrenheit, or Kelvin

✓ The energy needed to evaporate liquid water (heat of vaporization) is taken from the air in the form of sensible heat and converted to latent heat, which lowers the temperature at constant enthalpy

Key concepts: Vapor pressure and Saturation

- Air can hold moisture (i.e., water vapor)
- Vapor pressure is the pressure exerted by a vapor in thermodynamic equilibrium with its condensed phases

 p_w *Units of pressure, Pa or kPa (aka "partial pressure")

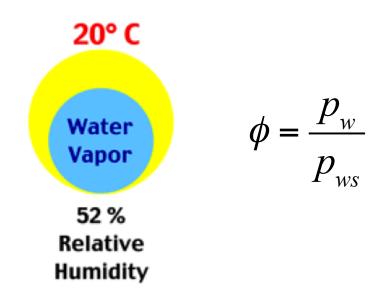


- The amount of moisture air can hold in vapor form before condensation occurs is dependent on temperature
 - We call the limit saturation



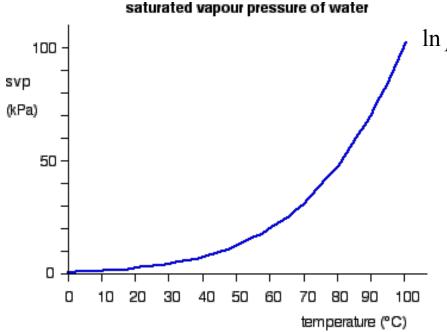
Key concept: Relative humidity, ϕ

- Relative humidity (RH, or ϕ) is the <u>ratio</u> of the vapor pressure of water vapor in a sample of air to the **saturation** vapor pressure at the dry bulb temperature of the sample
- Relative humidity ≠ absolute humidity!



Key concept: Saturation vapor pressure, p_{ws}

- The **saturation vapor pressure** is the partial pressure of water vapor at saturation (p_{ws}) *Units of pressure, Pa or kPa
 - Cannot absorb any more moisture at that temperature
- We can look up p_{ws} in tables (as a function of T)
 - Table 3 in Ch.1 of 2013 ASHRAE Fundamentals
- We can also use empirical equations:



Equation for p_{ws} :

$$\ln p_{ws} = \frac{C_8}{T} + C_9 + C_{10}T + C_{11}T^2 + C_{12}T^3 + C_{13}\ln T$$

$$where$$

$$C_8 = -5.800\ 220\ 6\ E + 03$$

$$C_9 = 1.391\ 499\ 3\ E + 00$$

$$C_{10} = -4.864\ 023\ 9\ E - 02$$

$$C_{11} = 4.176\ 476\ 8\ E - 05$$

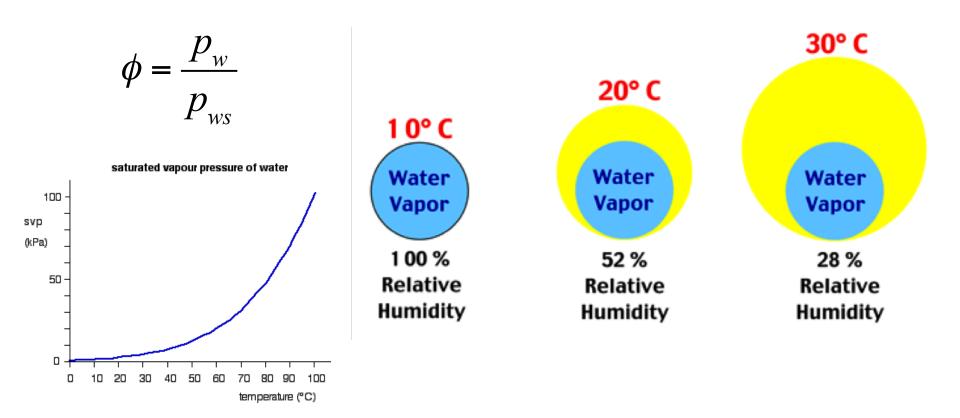
$$C_{12} = -1.445\ 209\ 3\ E - 08$$

 $C_{13} = 6.545 967 3 E+00$

 p_{ws} = saturation pressure, Pa T = absolute temperature, K = °C + 273.15

Relative humidity and temperature

• Relative humidity (RH, or ϕ) is a function of temperature



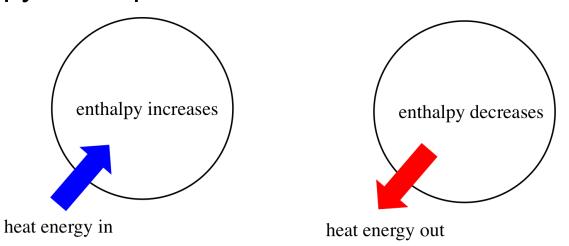
Key concept: Humidity ratio, W

- The humidity ratio is a measure of the mass of water vapor present in a parcel of air (a measure of absolute humidity)
- The humidity ratio is simply the mass of water vapor that exists in a parcel of mass of dry air
 - Units of mass of water vapor per mass of dry air
 - kg/kg (kg_w/kg_{da})
 - $g/kg (g_w/g_{da})$

$$W = \frac{\text{mass of water vapor}}{\text{mass of dry air}} \left[\frac{\text{kg}_{\text{w}}}{\text{kg}_{\text{da}}} \right]$$

Key concept: Enthalpy

- Enthalpy is a measure of the amount of energy in a system
 - Units of Joules or BTU (or J/kg or BTU/lb)
- The enthalpy of moist air is the total enthalpy of the dry air plus the water vapor mixture per mass of moist air
- Includes:
 - Enthalpy of dry air, or sensible heat
 - Enthalpy of evaporated water, or latent heat



Key concept: Density and specific volume

Air density

- Density is a measure of the mass of moist air per unit volume of air
- Includes mass of dry air + water vapor

$$\rho = \frac{\text{mass of moist air}}{\text{volume of moist air}} \left[\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \right]$$

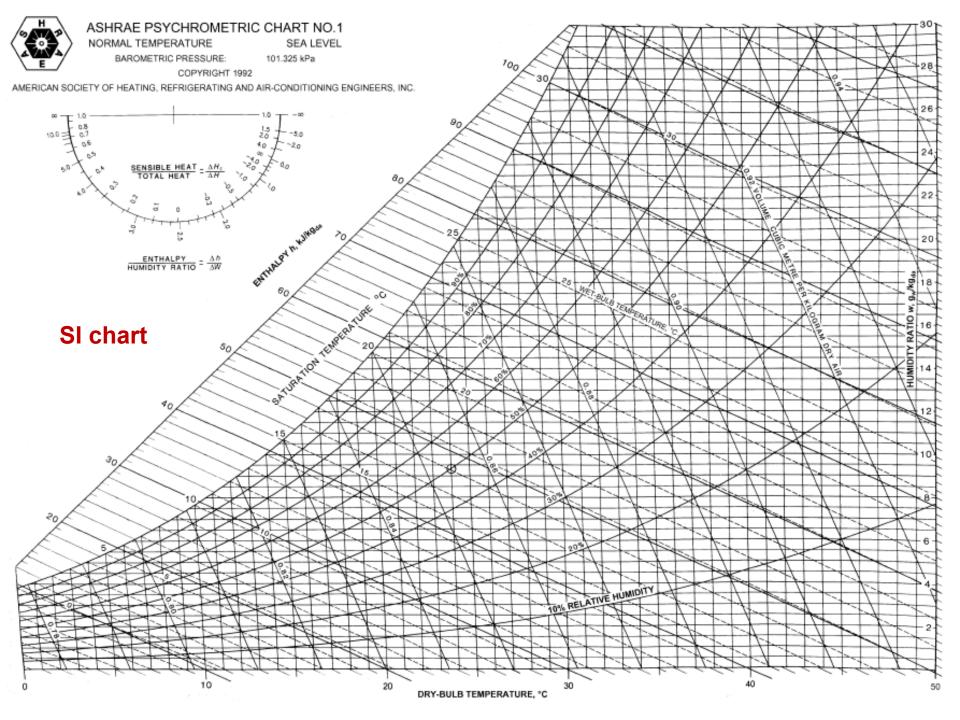
Specific volume

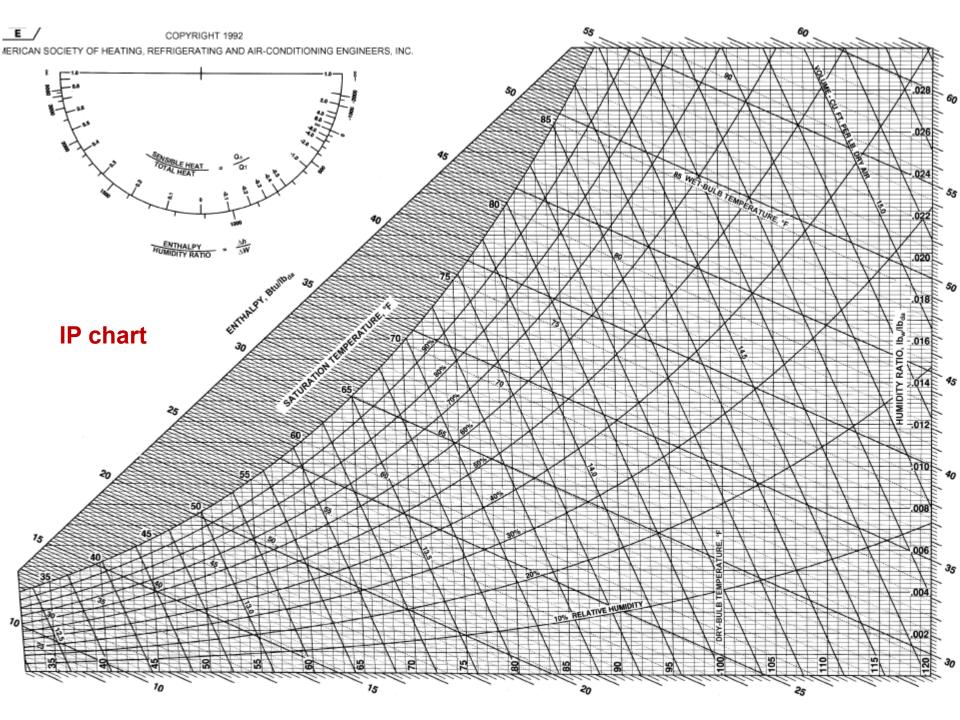
 Specific volume is the volume of unit mass of dry air at a given temperature, expressed as m³/kg (inverse of dry air density)

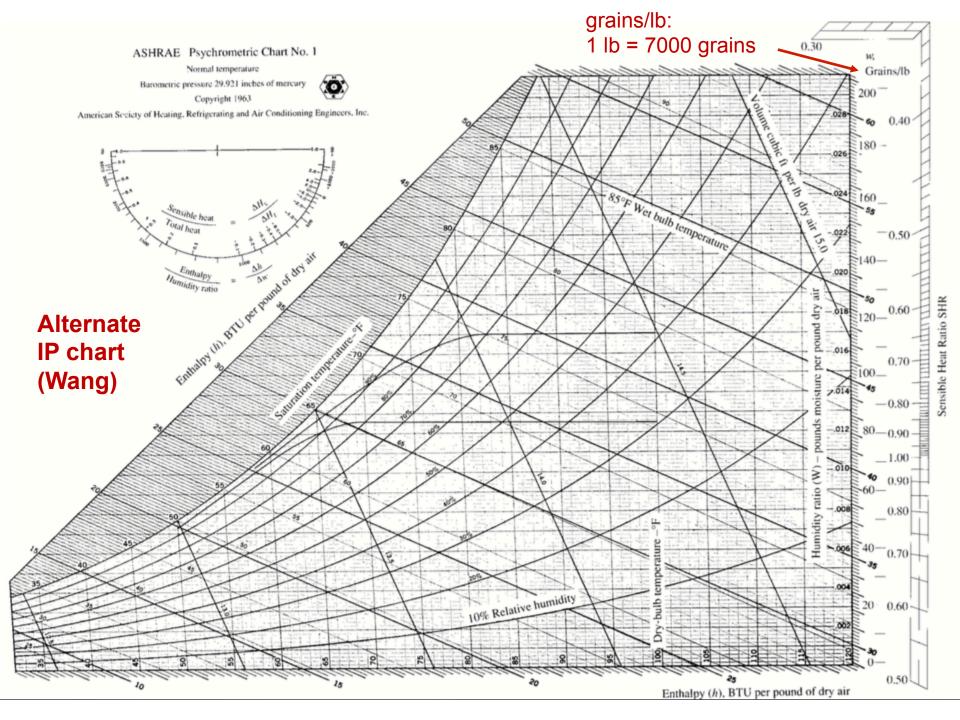
$$v = \frac{\text{volume of dry air}}{\text{mass of dry air}} \left[\frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}_{da}} \right]$$

The Psychrometric Chart

- There are both simple and complex ways to estimate these properties
 - Equations and tables (more complex, save for next lecture)
 - Graphically using ...
- The Psychrometric Chart
 - Plots dry bulb temperature (T) on the x-axis and humidity ratio (W) on the y-axis
 - Shows relationships between T and W and relative humidity, wetbulb temperature, vapor pressure, specific volume, and enthalpy
 - Charts are unique at each value of atmospheric pressure (p)
- Both SI and IP versions are on BB in the materials folder



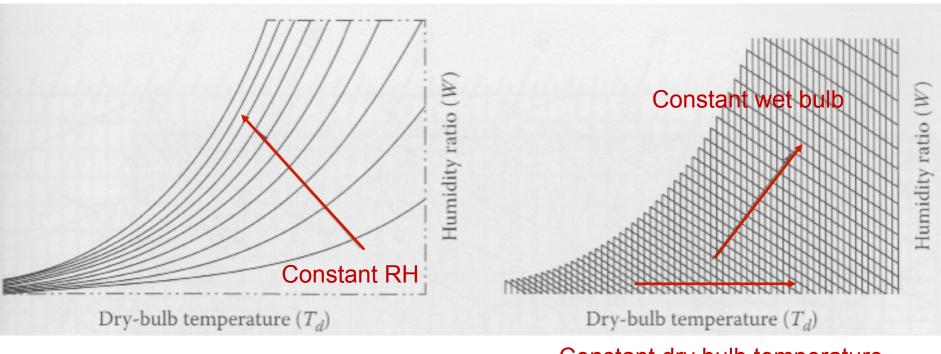




Deciphering the psychrometric chart

Lines of constant RH

Lines of constant wet-bulb and dry-bulb



Constant dry bulb temperature

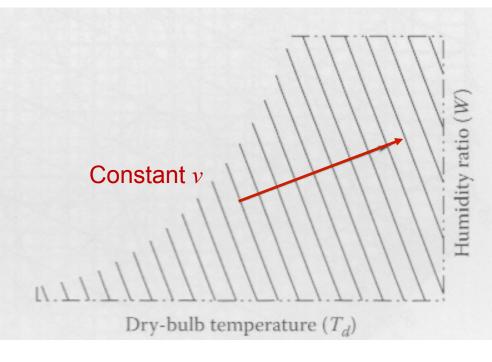
Deciphering the psychrometric chart

Lines of constant humidity ratio

Dry-bulb temperature (T_d)

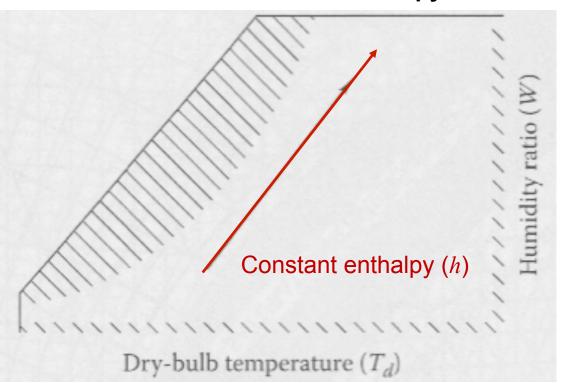
Constant W

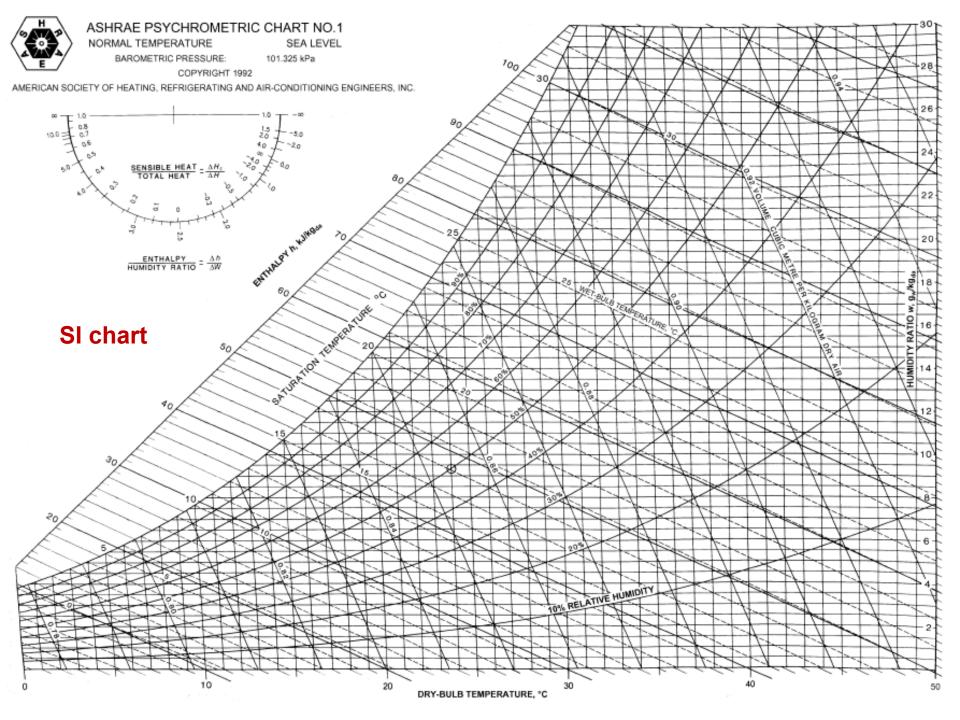
Lines of constant specific volume

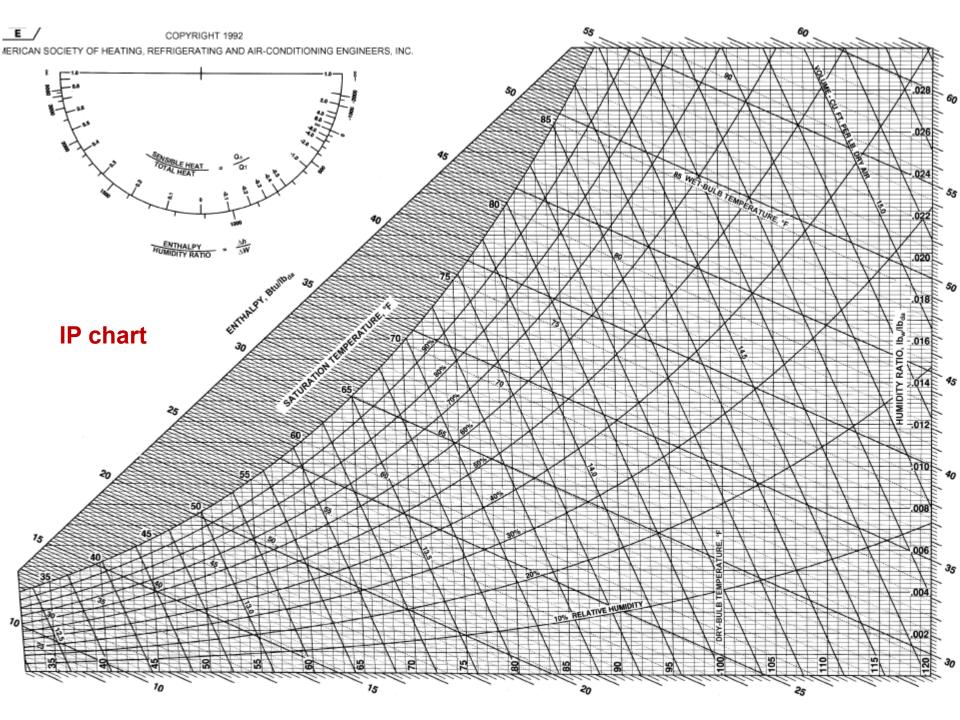


Deciphering the psychrometric chart

Lines of constant enthalpy





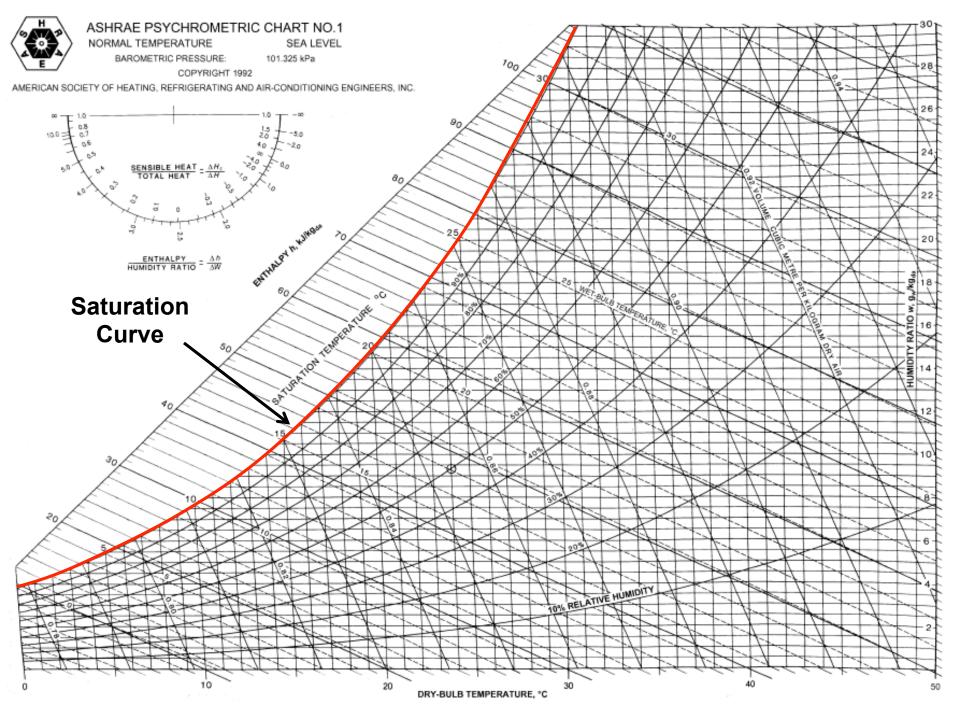


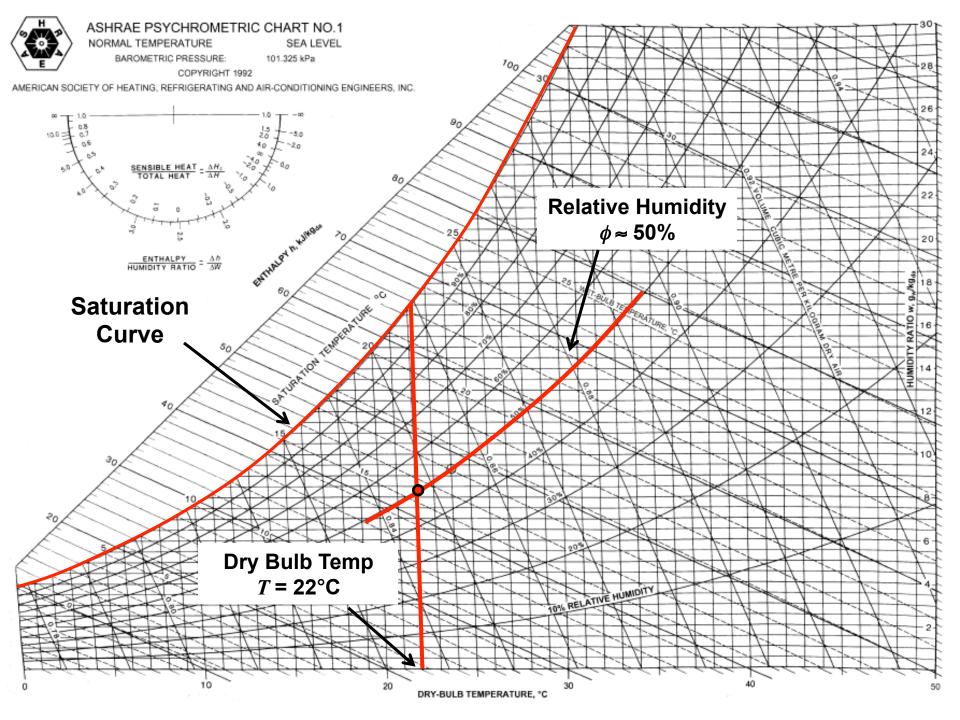
Some psychrometric examples

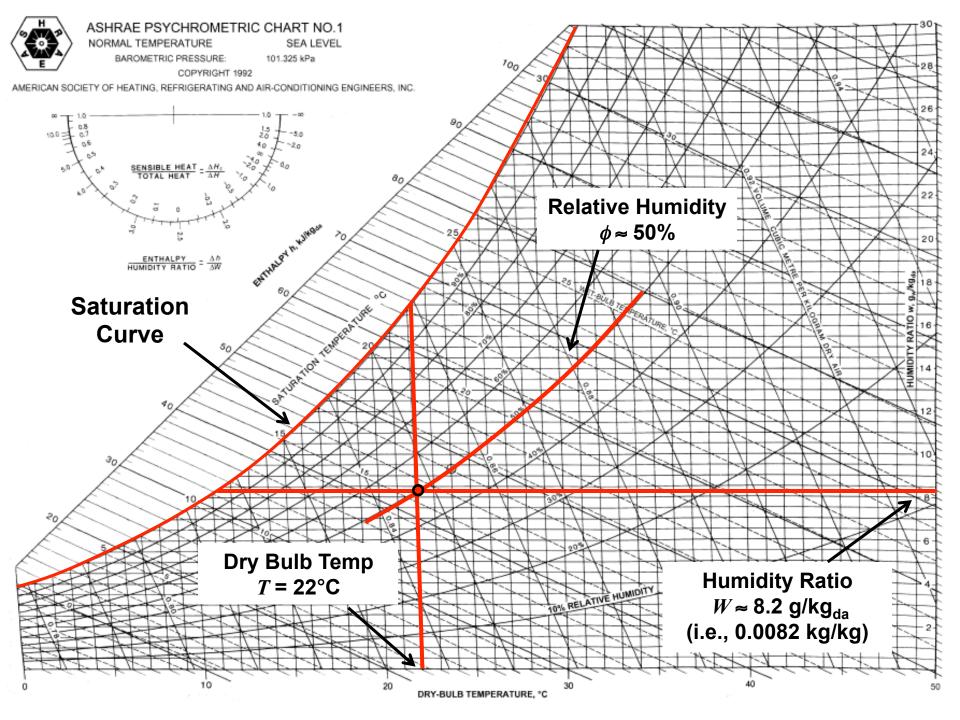
Moist air exists at 22°C dry-bulb temperature with 50% RH

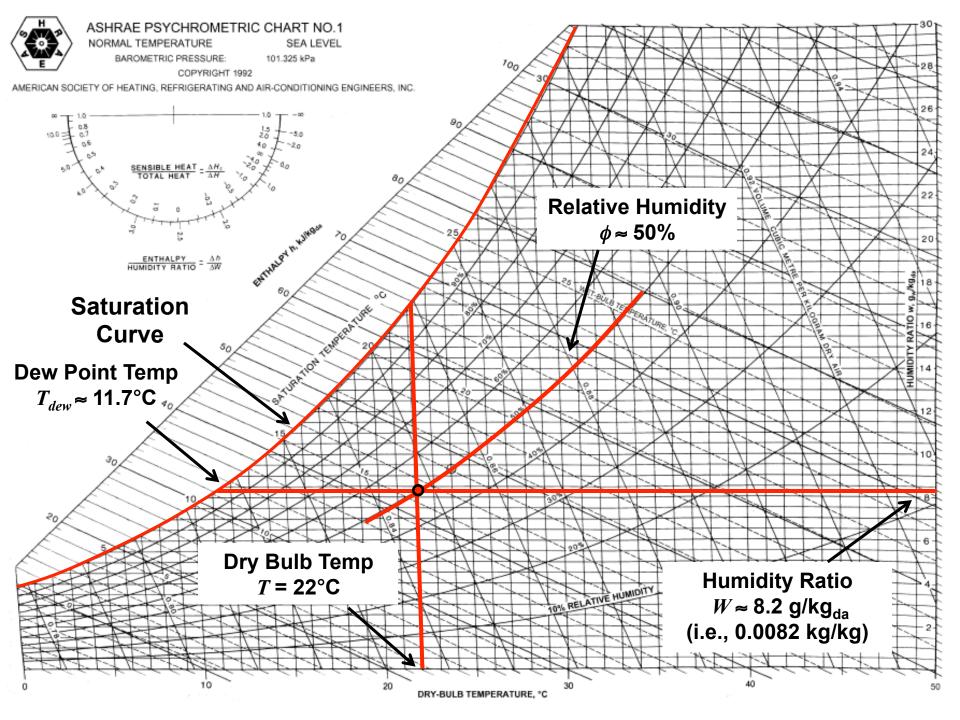
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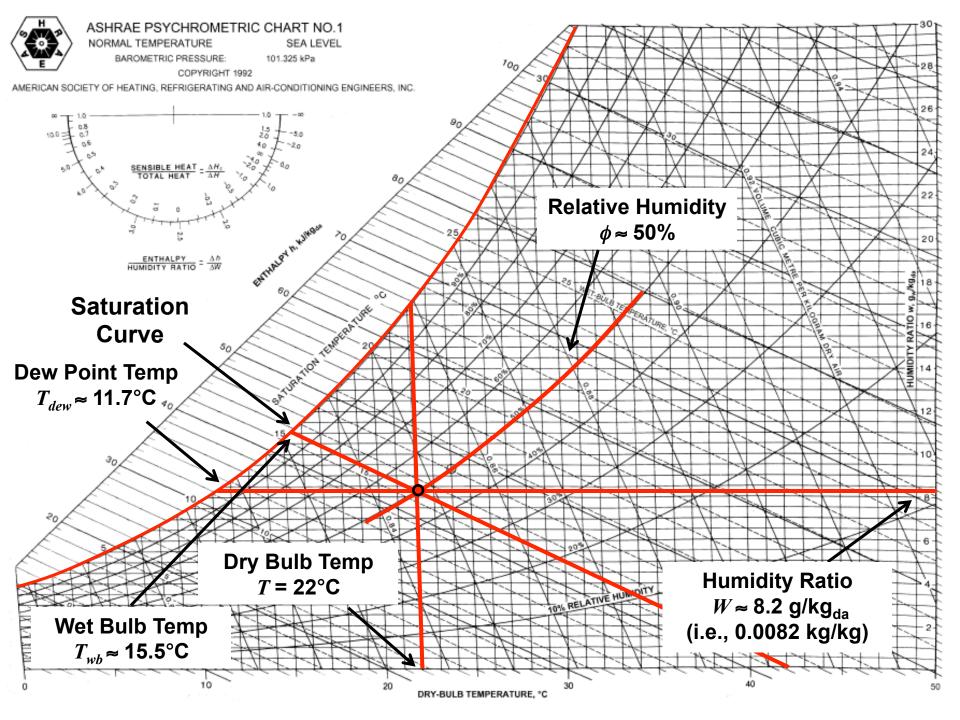
- (a) the humidity ratio, W
- (b) dew point temperature, T_{dew}
- (c) wet-bulb temperature, T_{wb}
- (d) enthalpy, h
- (e) specific volume, v
- (f) dry air density, ρ

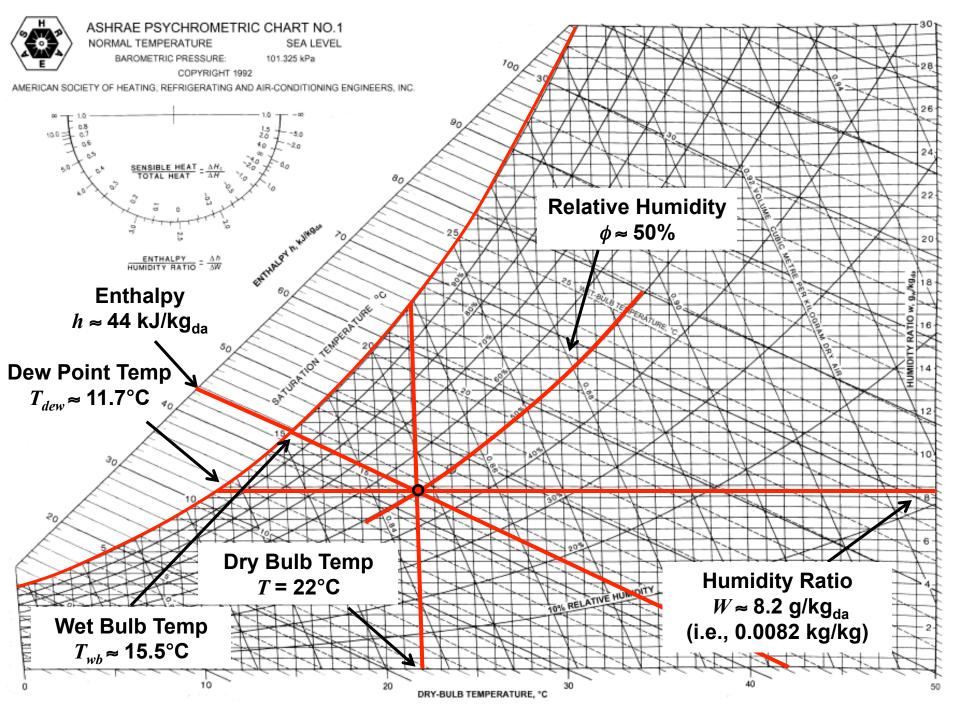


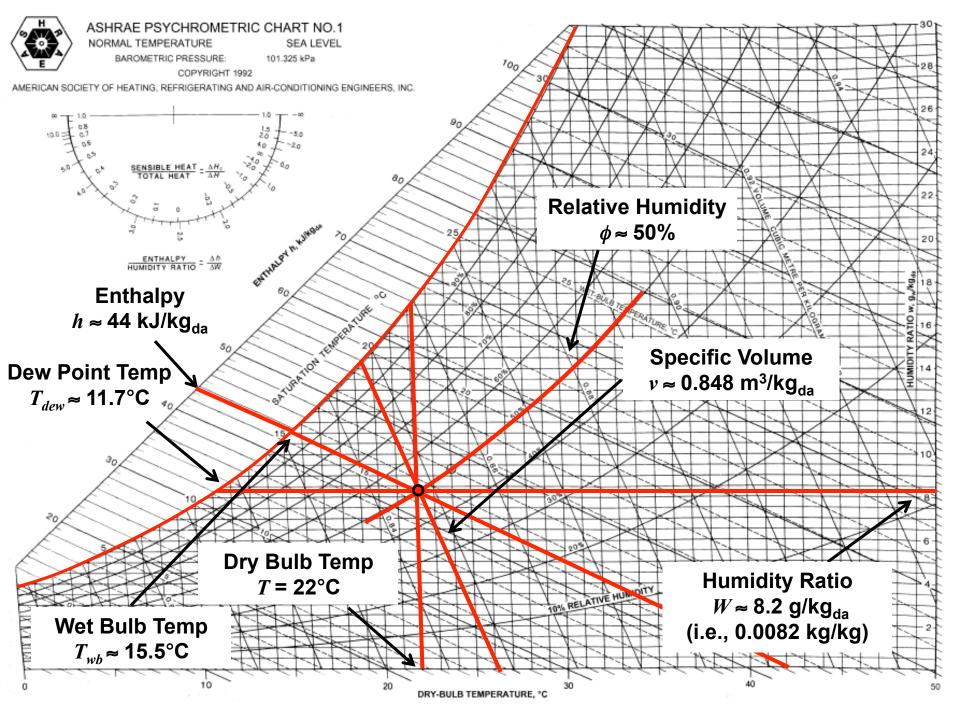


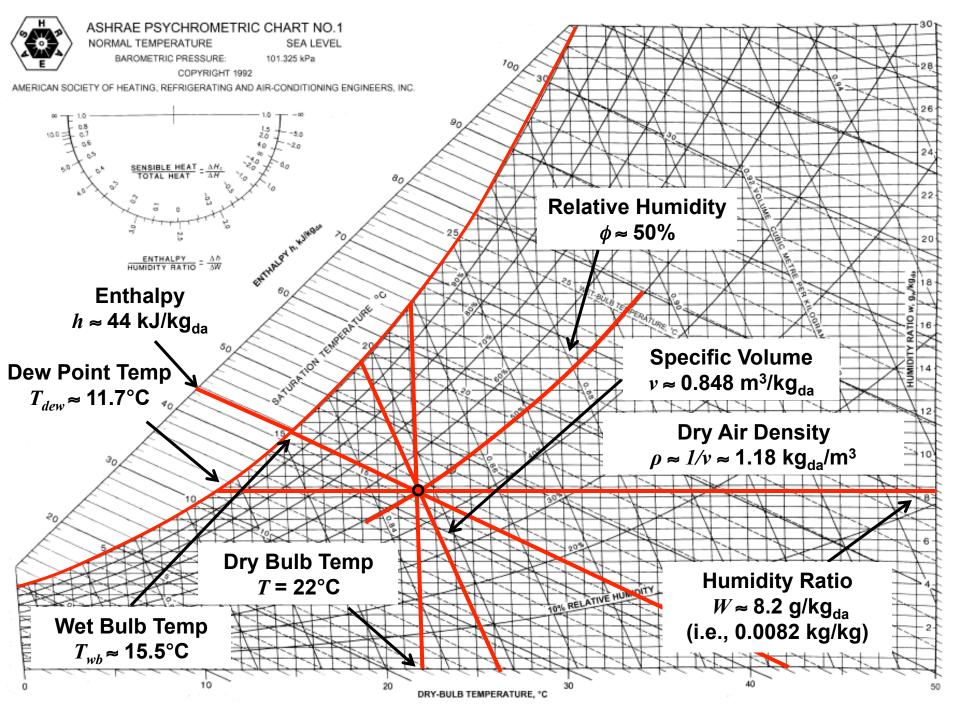










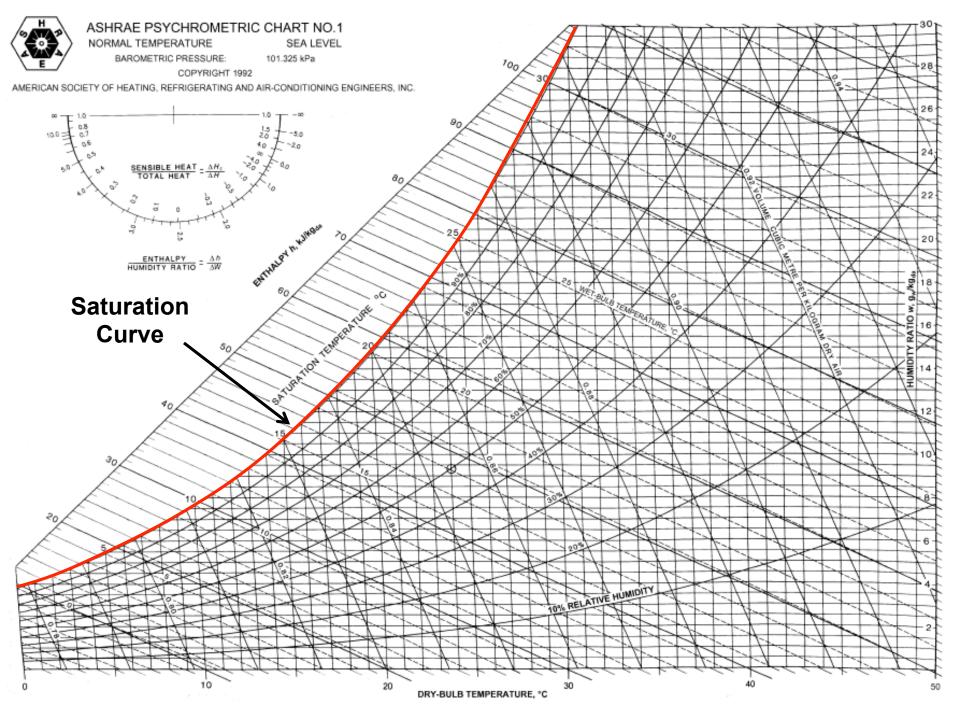


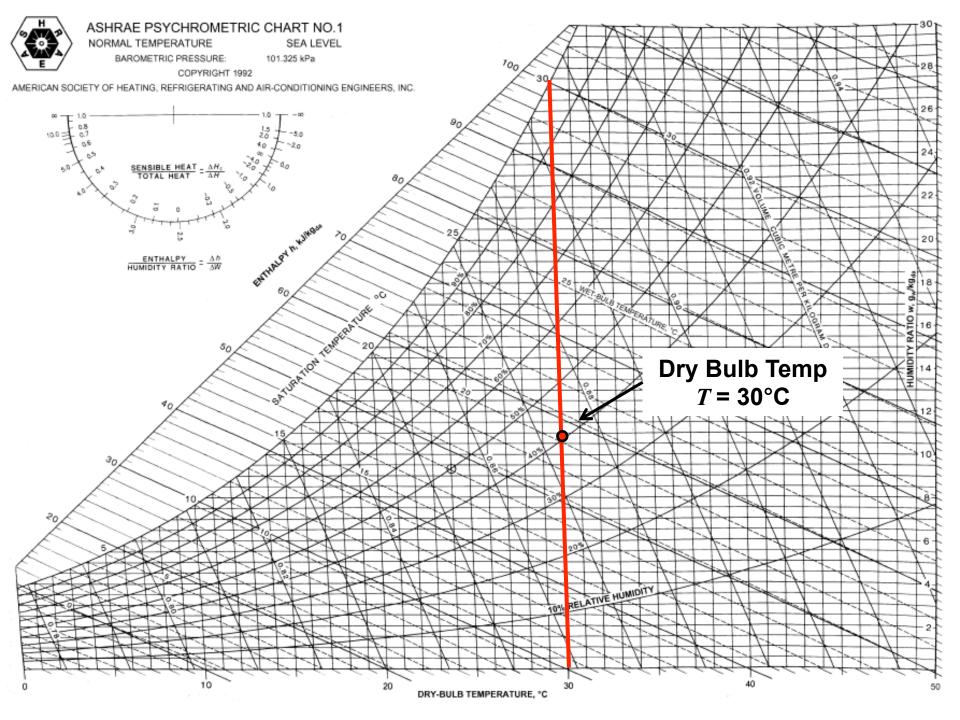
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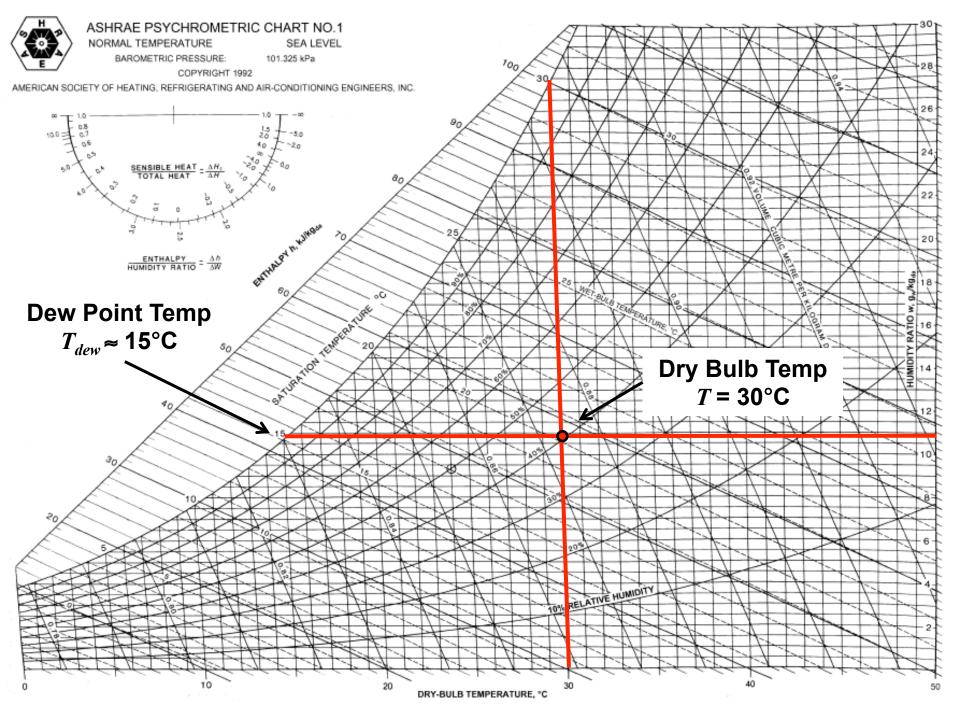
Moist air exists at 30°C dry-bulb temperature with a 15°C dew point temperature

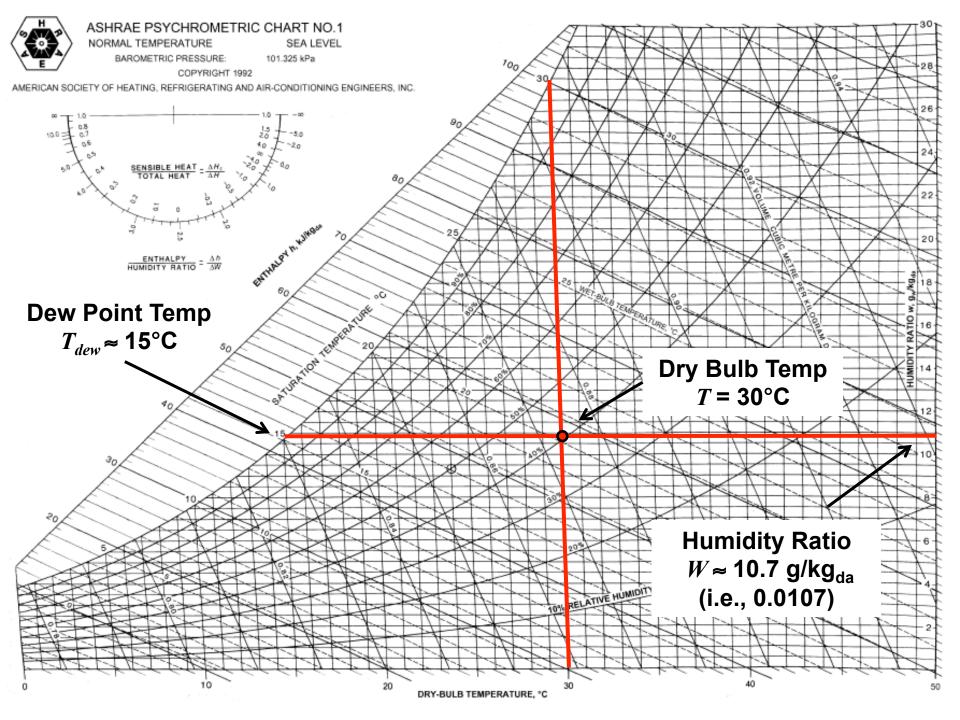
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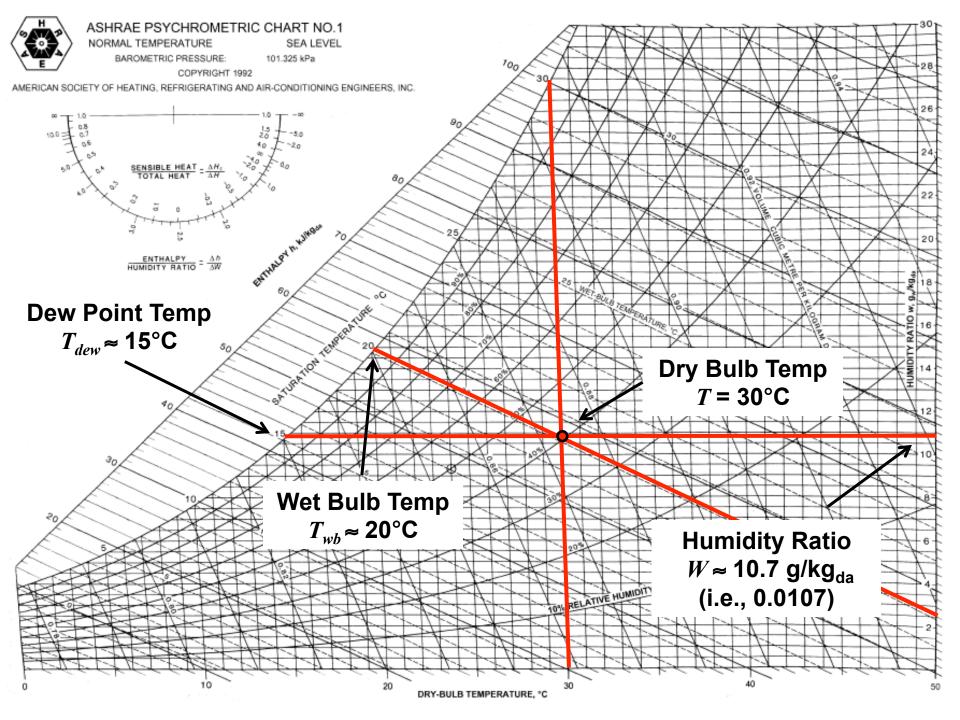
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- (e) relative humidity, ϕ

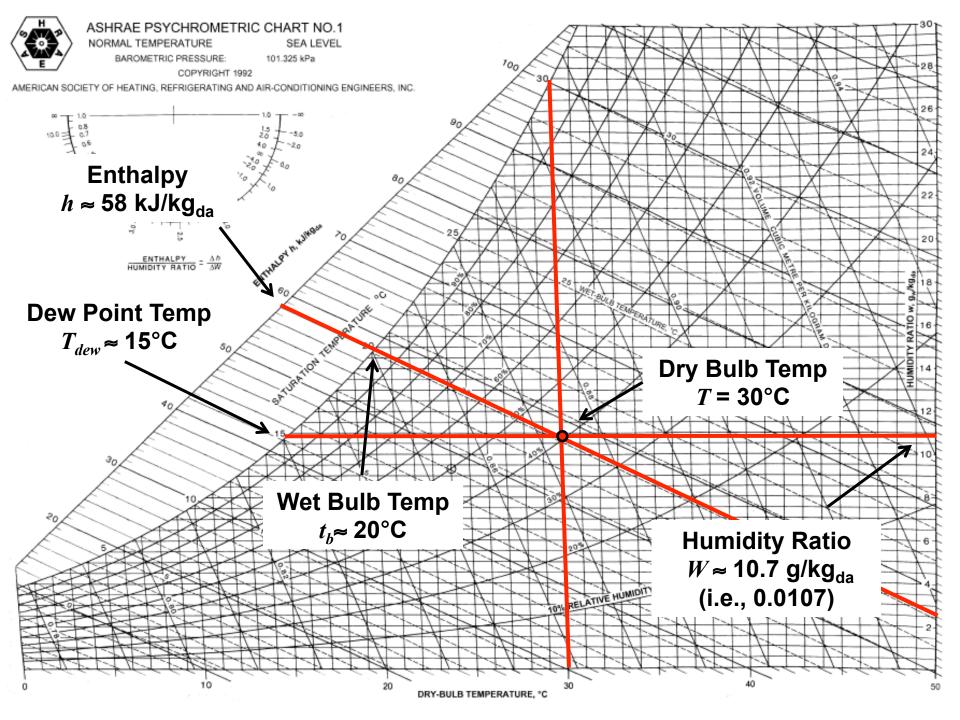


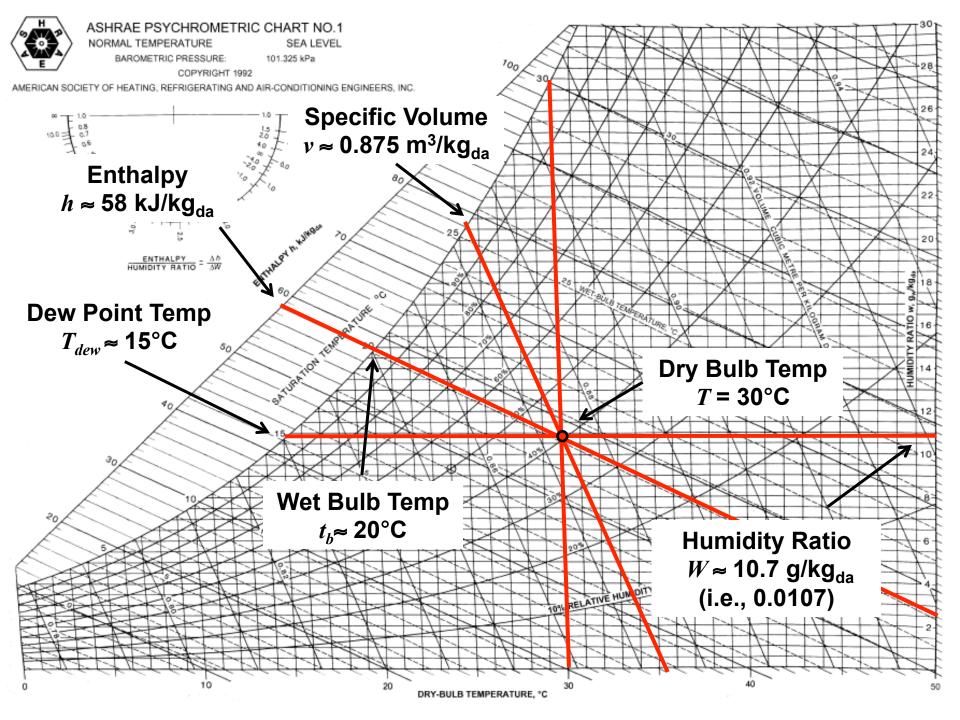


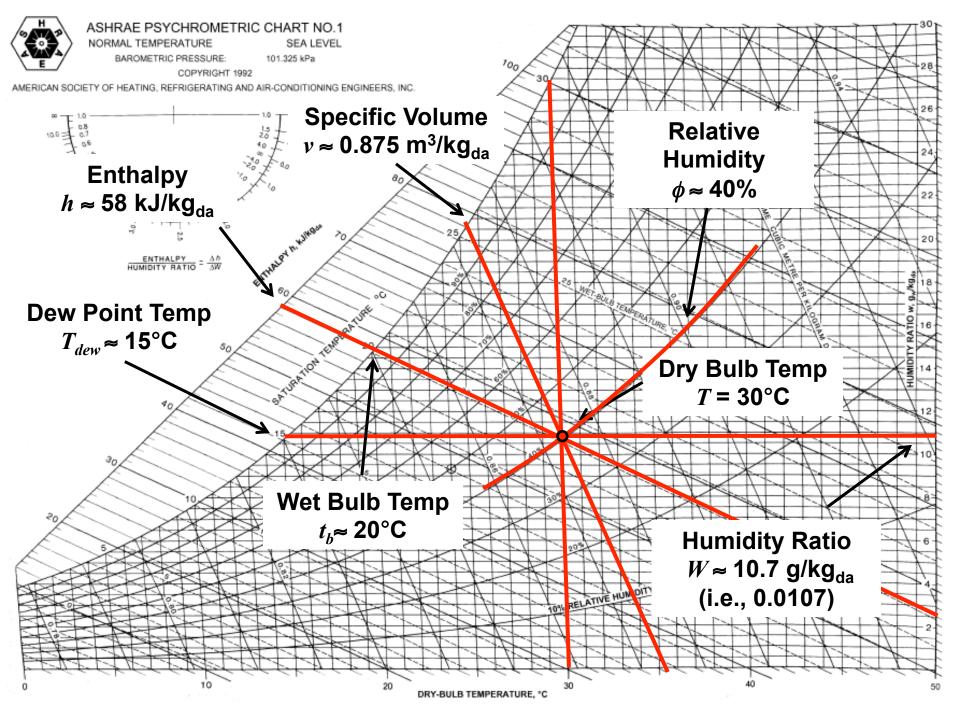










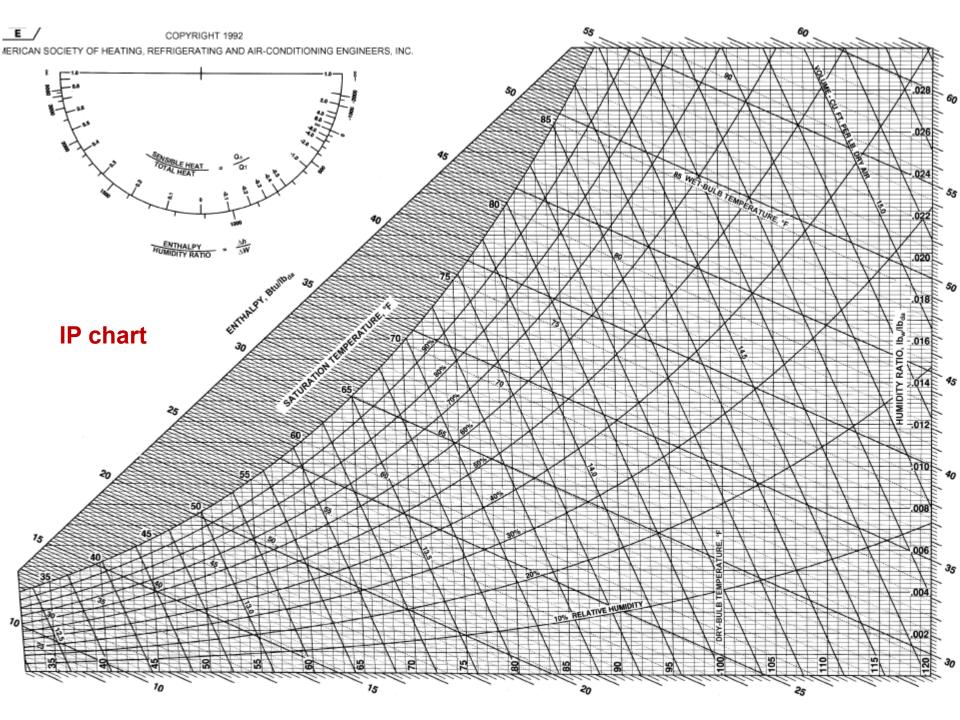


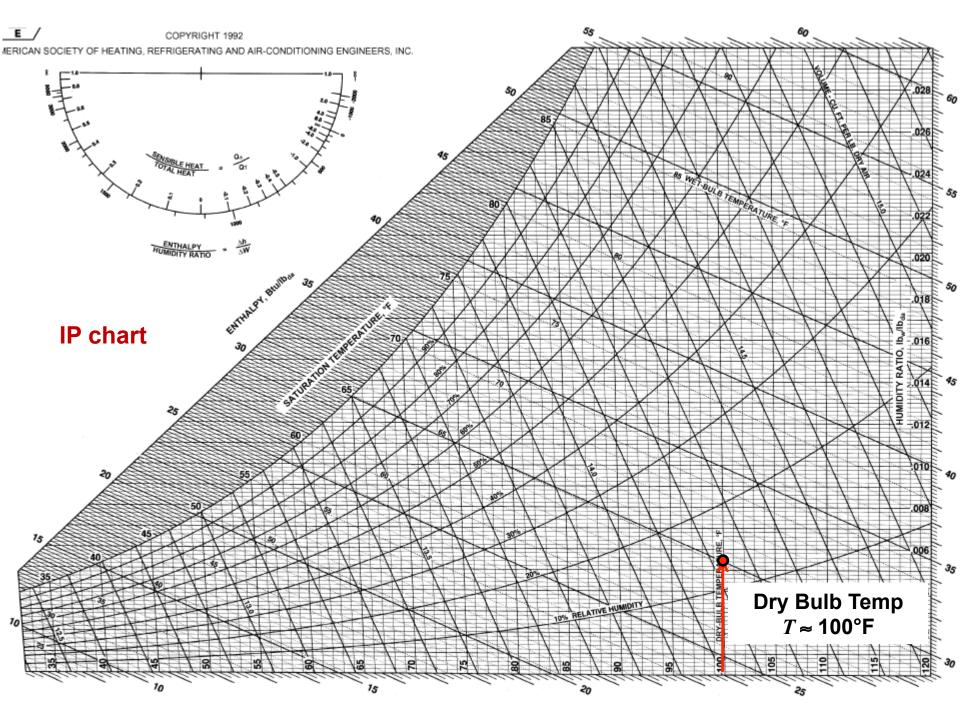
Psychrometrics: IP units example

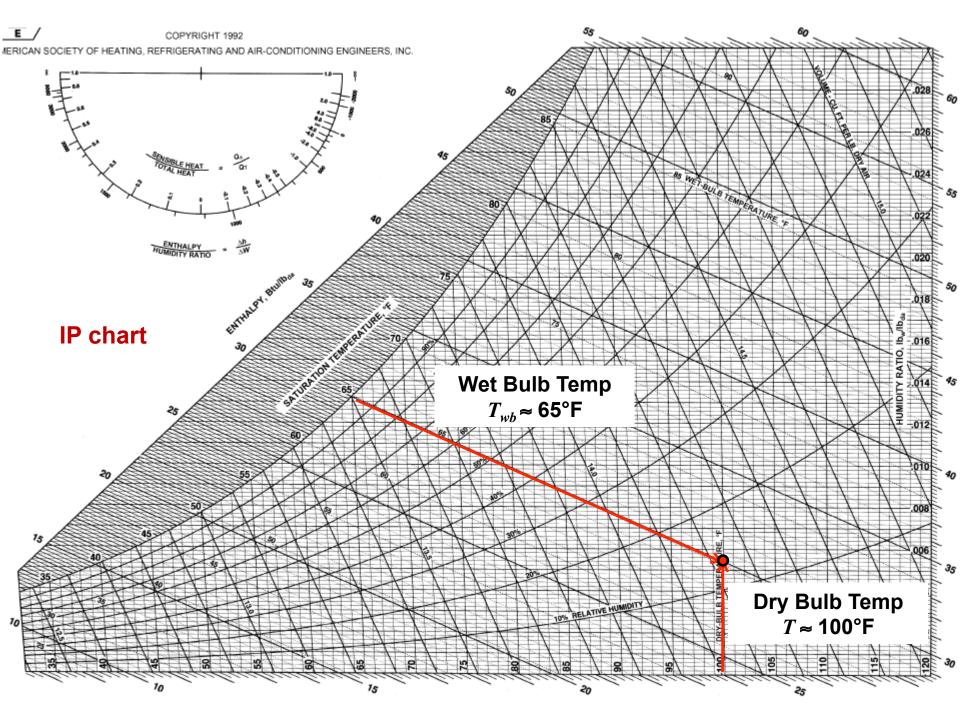
 Moist air exists at 100°F dry bulb, 65°F wet bulb and 14.696 psia

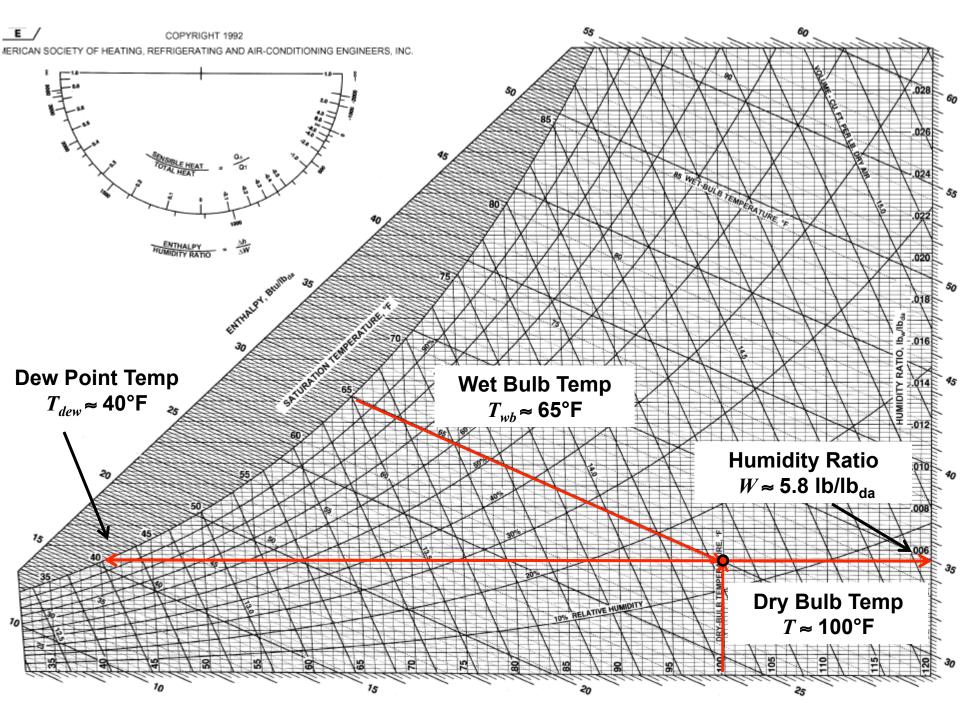
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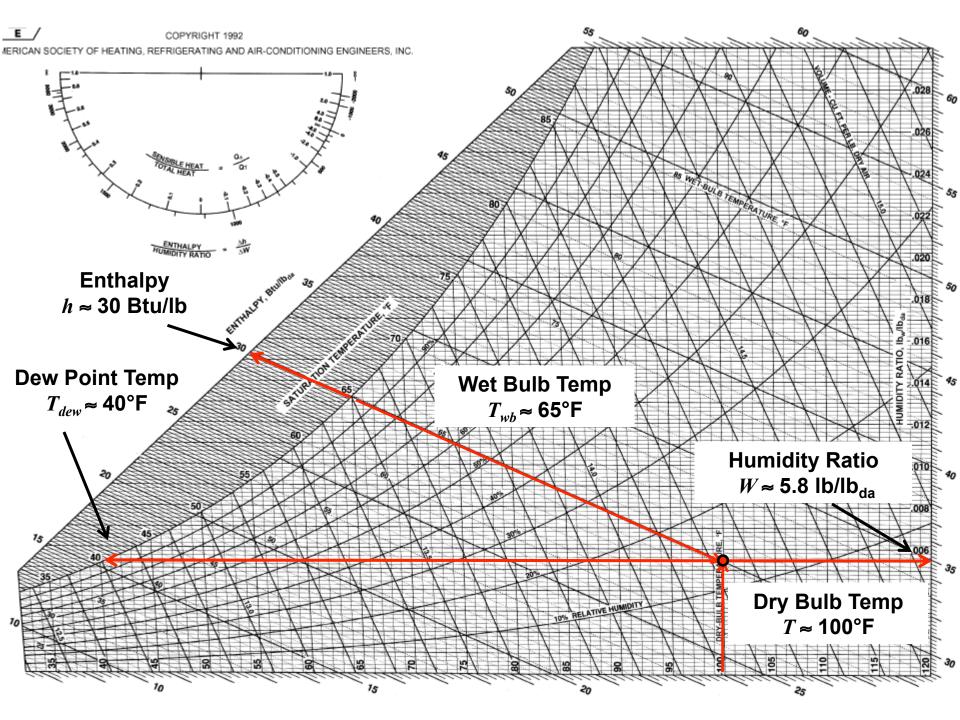
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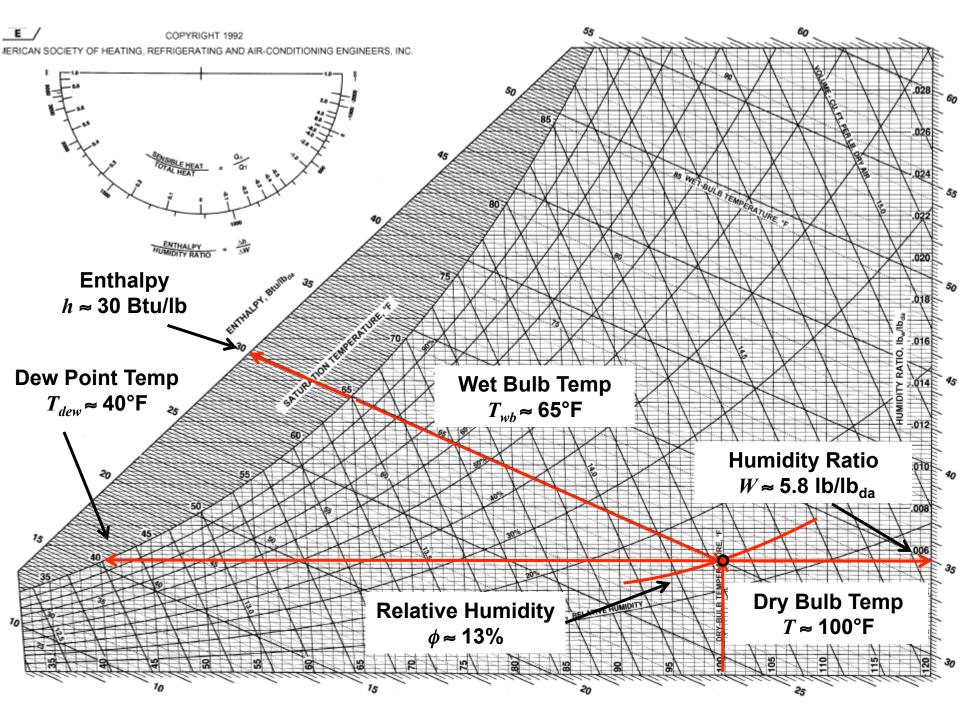


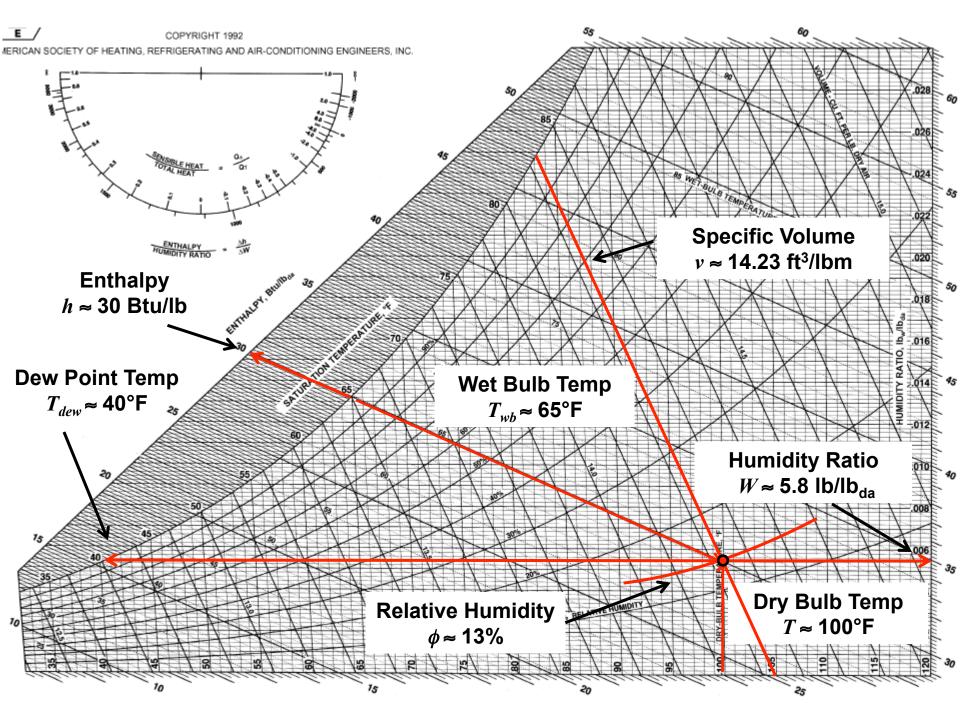




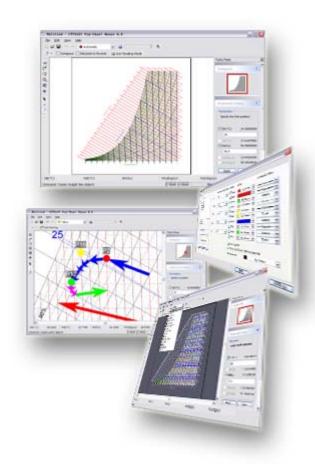








Applying psychrometrics



- We can also use psychrometric charts or software
 - Psych and Psychpro
 - Very popular psych chart and analysis software
 - I think at least one of these is in the AM 218 lab
- There are a bunch of online calculators as well
 - http://www.psychrometric-calculator.com
 - http://www.sugartech.co.za/psychro/
 - http://www.wolframalpha.com/examples/ Psychrometrics.html
- And smart phone apps too
- You can also make your own (i.e., in Excel)
 - You will have a HW problem where you have to do this

Psychrometrics also involves learning how to use and combine those quantities to determine things like sensible and latent heating and cooling loads (i.e., *processes*) (covered in a future lecture)