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Studies of molecular interaction in the binary mixture of chloroform and methanol by using ultrasonic technique

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ABSTRACT

Ultrasonic velocity, density and viscosity of binary liquid mixtures of chloroform and methanol has been measured using ultrasonic interferometer, 30 ml gravity bottle and Oswald's viscometer respectively at frequency 2MHz and constant temperature of 295K. Experimental values then obtained are used for determining various thermo acoustical parameters like adiabatic compressibility, acoustic impedance, intermolecular free length, relaxation time, ultrasonic attenuation, effective molar weight, free volume, available volume, molar volume, Wada's constant, Rao's constant, Vander Waal's constant, internal pressure, Gibb's free energy and enthalpy. Graphs are plotted of each parameter against mole fraction. The linear variation in most of the acoustical parameters showed that there is no complex formation in the mixture. The weak interaction between the molecules of the binary mixture is founded.

Keywords: Ultrasonic velocity, molecular interaction, acoustical parameters.

INTRODUCTION

The propagation of ultrasonic waves in a substance has become a fundamental test to investigate its properties [1]. The important and fundamental role of the molecular details of the solvent species to determine the specific interactions have shown by many researchers, which are responsible for macroscopic thermodynamic and other related properties in non-electrolyte solutions [2, 3]. In the chemical process industries, materials are normally handled in fluid form and, as a consequence, their physical, chemical and transport properties assume importance [4, 5]. Ultrasonic technique offers a rapid non-destructive methods for characterizing material [6]. The ultrasonic velocity in a liquid is fundamentally related to the binding forces between atoms or molecules and has been successfully employed in the field of interactions and structural aspect studies, for characterizing the physico-chemical behavior of liquid mixtures [7-9].

The ultrasonic velocity along with density and viscosity furnish wealth of information about the interaction between ions, dipoles, hydrogen bonding, multi-polar and dispersive forces [10]. Ultrasonic propagation parameters yield valuable information regarding the behaviour of liquid systems because intermolecular and intramolecular association, complex formation, dipolar interactions and related structural changes affect the compressibility of the system which in turn produces corresponding variations in ultrasonic velocity [11]. The different acoustical parameters interpret the nature and strength of molecular interaction that exist in the system [12]. The intermolecular interactions influence the structural arrangement along with the shape of the molecules [13, 14].

In the present study, an attempt has been made to investigate the behaviour of binary mixtures of chloroform and

methanol by measuring ultrasonic velocity, density and viscosity at 295K. From the measured data various derived acoustical parameters are computed and the results are interpreted in the light of molecular interaction.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

In the present study of molecular interactions of binary mixtures, chloroform of molecular weight 119.5 g/mol. were dissolved in methanol of molecular weight 32 g/mol. Mole fraction of chloroform (X_1) is decreased from 0.9 to 0.1 whereas mole fraction of methanol (X_2) is increased from 0.1 to 0.9.

The velocity of mixed solutions of chloroform and methanol at various concentrations was measured with the help of ultrasonic interferometer (Mittal enterprises) at the frequency of 2MHz. The density of the mixture was measured with the help of 25ml specific gravity bottle. An Oswald's viscometer whose capacity is 10ml was used for viscosity measurement of liquid mixtures. Distilled water had been used as a standard liquid.

(i) Velocity Measurement	$\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{\lambda} imes \mathbf{f}$
(ii)Density Measurement	$\rho_2 = (W_2/W_1) \rho_1$
(iii) Viscosity Measurement	$\eta_2 = \eta_1 (t_2/t_1) (\rho_2/\rho_1)$

Other acoustical parameters derived from basic parameters can be defined as:

Acoustic impedance	$Z = \rho \times U$
Adiabatic compressibility	$\beta = 1/(U^2 \times \rho)$
Intermolecular free length	$L_f = K_T \times \beta^{1/2}$ Where, $K_T = Jacobson constant$
Ultrasonic Attenuation	$\alpha/f^2 = 8\pi^2\eta/3\rho U^3$
Relaxation Time	$\tau = 4\beta\eta/3$
Effective Molecular Weight	$\mathbf{M}_{\text{eff}} = \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{M}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2 \mathbf{M}_2$
Free Volume	$V_f = [M_{eff} U / K\eta]^{3/2}$ Where, K is temperature dependent constant.
Wada's Constant	$W = (\beta)^{-1/7} M_{eff} / \rho$
Rao's Constant	$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{U}^{1/3} \mathbf{M}_{\rm eff} / \rho$
Molar Volume	$V_{m} = M_{eff} \rho$
Vander Waal's Constant	$b = V_m[1-(RT/MU^2) \{(1 + (MU^2/3RT))^{1/2} - 1\}]$ Where, R is gas
constant.	
Internal Pressure (π_i)	$\Pi_{i} = bRT \left[(k\eta/U)^{1/2} (\rho^{2/3}/M^{7/6}) \right]$
Available Volume	$V_a = M / \rho (1 - U/U_{\infty})$ Where, U_{∞} is velocity of sound at infinity.
Gibb's Free Energy	$\Delta \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{K}_{\mathrm{B}} \mathbf{T} \ln \left(\mathbf{K}_{\mathrm{B}} \mathbf{T} \tau / \mathbf{h} \right)$
Enthalpy	$H = V_m \times \pi_i$

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The experimental values of ultrasonic velocity, density and viscosity for the binary mixtures of Chloroform and methanol in different mole fractions at constant temperature 295 K are given in **Table 1**. From the standard parameters the values for derived parameters adiabatic compressibility, intermolecular free length and acoustic impedance, ultrasonic attenuation, relaxation time and effective molecular weight are shown in **Table 2** and **Table 3**. **Table 4** and **Table 5** gives the values of free volume, molar volume, available volume, Wada's Constant, Rao's Constant, Vander Waal's Constant. The values of internal pressure, Gibb's Free Energy and enthalpy listed in **Table 6**.

Table 1: Experimental values of ultrasonic velocity, density and viscosity of chloroform + methanol at different concentrations at temperature 295 K and frequency 2MHz

Mole f	raction	Ultrasonic velocity	Density (p)	Viscosity $(\eta) \times 10^{-3}$
X_1	X_2	(U) m/s	Kg/m ³	Ns/m
0.9	0.1	978.8	1289.744	1.102
0.8	0.2	981.2	1236.938	1.016
0.7	0.3	983.2	1191.176	1.051
0.6	0.4	992.4	1168.435	1.101
0.5	0.5	1008.4	1091.552	1.094
0.4	0.6	985.2	1045.054	1.000
0.3	0.7	1112.4	990.327	0.941
0.2	0.8	1116.8	945.889	0.923
0.1	0.9	1084	902.061	0.880

Table 2: Calculated values of adiabatic compressibility, intermolecular free length and acoustic impedance

Mole Fraction		Adiabatic compressibility	Intermolecular Free Length	Acoustic Impedance
X1	X_2	(β) N/m ² × 10 ⁻¹⁰	$(\mathbf{L_{f}})$ Å	(Z) Kg $m^{-2}s^{-1} \times 10^5$
0.9	0.1	8.092	0.5964	12.624
0.8	0.2	8.397	0.6075	12.136
0.7	0.3	8.684	0.6178	11.711
0.6	0.4	8.690	0.6180	11.595
0.5	0.5	9.009	0.6292	11.007
0.4	0.6	9.858	0.6582	10.295
0.3	0.7	8.160	0.5988	11.016
0.2	0.8	8.476	0.6103	10.563
0.1	0.9	9.434	0.6439	9.778

Table 3: Values of ultrasonic attenuation, relaxation time and effective molecular weight

Mole Fraction		Illtragonia Attenuation $(\alpha/\beta^2) \alpha^2 m^{-1} \times 10^{-14}$	B olovation Time (7) $a \times 10^{-12}$	Effective Melecular Weight (M.) am	
X_1	X_2	Offrasonic Attenuation (0/1) S III × 10	Relaxation Time (t) \$ × 10	Effective Molecular Weight (Meff) ghi	
0.9	0.1	2.396	1.1890	110.75	
0.8	0.2	2.286	1.1378	102.00	
0.7	0.3	2.438	1.2158	93.25	
0.6	0.4	2.535	1.2762	84.50	
0.5	0.5	2.571	1.3146	75.75	
0.4	0.6	2.631	1.3148	67.00	
0.3	0.7	1.815	1.0242	58.25	
0.2	0.8	1.842	1.0433	49.50	
0.1	0.9	2.015	1.1078	40.75	

Table 4: Calculated values of free volume, molar volume and available volume

Mole Fraction		Enco Volumo (V) $m^3/mol \times 10^{-3}$	Molar Volume (V _m)	Available Volume (V _a)
X1	X_2	Free volume (v_f) in / mor × 10	$m^{3}/mol \times 10^{-2}$	m ³ / mol × 10 ⁻²
0.9	0.1	3.482	8.586	3.333
0.8	0.2	3.490	8.246	3.189
0.7	0.3	2.913	7.828	3.017
0.6	0.4	2.372	7.232	2.746
0.5	0.5	2.082	6.939	2.565
0.4	0.6	1.914	6.411	2.463
0.3	0.7	2.039	5.881	1.792
0.2	0.8	1.655	5.233	1.580
0.1	0.9	1.268	4.517	1.456

Mole Fraction		Wada's Constant (W)	Rao's Constant (R)	Vander Waal's Constant
X_1	X2	(m ³ / mol) (Pa) ^{1/7}	$(m^3/mol) (m/s)^{1/3}$	(b) m ³ / mol
0.9	0.1	1.708	0.852	0.085
0.8	0.2	1.632	0.819	0.082
0.7	0.3	1.542	0.778	0.078
0.6	0.4	1.424	0.721	0.072
0.5	0.5	1.359	0.696	0.069
0.4	0.6	1.240	0.693	0.063
0.3	0.7	1.169	0.609	0.058
0.2	0.8	1.034	0.543	0.052
0.1	0.9	0.879	0.464	0.045

Table 5: Values of Wada's Constant, Rao's Constant, Vander Waal's Constant

Table 6: Calculated values of internal pressure, Gibb's Free Energy and enthalpy

Mole F	raction	Internal Pressure (<i>m</i> _i)	Gibb's Free Energy	Enthalpy (H)
X1	X_2	$Pa \times 10^5$	(ΔG) KJ mol ⁻¹ × 10 ⁻²¹	J/mol \times 10 ⁴
0.9	0.1	1.663	8.098	1.428
0.8	0.2	1.707	7.916	1.407
0.7	0.3	1.876	8.186	1.614
0.6	0.4	2.119	8.384	1.532
0.5	0.5	2.275	8.504	1.578
0.4	0.6	2.466	8.505	1.581
0.3	0.7	2.557	7.488	1.504
0.2	0.8	2.964	7.563	1.551
0.1	0.9	3.573	7.808	1.614

Plot of ultrasonic velocity versus mole fraction is shown in **Figure 1**.It decreases with increase in concentration of chloroform and this variation in ultrasonic velocity is due to the variation in intermolecular free length.

From **Figure 2 & 3** it can be seen that density and viscosity of the liquid mixture increases. Increase in density shows the presence of large number of molecules in the mixture. Increase in viscosity indicates presence of strong intermolecular forces. An increase in viscosity values with increasing concentration of chloroform suggests more association between solute and solvent molecules.



The adiabatic compressibility decreases with increasing concentration which is due to the strong molecular interaction among the solute and solvent molecules shown in **Figure 4**. **Figure 5**depicts the variation in intermolecular free length. This decrease in free length is due to the decreased adiabatic compressibility which brings the molecules to a closer packing. The linear variation in acoustic impedance indicates the absence of specific interaction like complex formation in thebinary mixture as shown in **Figure 6.**It can be seen from the mathematical relations for acoustic





impedance (Z= ρ U) and adiabatic compressibility ($\beta = 1/\rho U^2$) that they must show opposite behavior and adiabatic compressibility (β) and intermolecular free length ($L_f = K_T \times \beta^{1/2}$) should exhibit same behavior which is in agreement with the experimental results.

Figure 7 and Figure 8 illustrate the linear behaviour of ultrasonic attenuation and relaxation time with mole fraction and the trend of these parameters is almost same with best results obtained between 0.4 to 0.8 ranges of mole

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fraction. As seen from the experimental results velocity decreases which results in the decrease of ultrasonic attenuation. The decrease in relaxation time indicates that the viscous force has no effect on it.

The plot between effective molecular mass and mole fraction shown in **Figure 9** illustrates that effective mass increases with increase in mole fraction which indicates the presence of heavier molecules in the binary mixture. The free volume increases with increase in concentration (shown in **Figure 10**) suggests that there is a weak interaction among the solute and solvent molecules.

The molar volume also increases with increase in concentration as shown in **Figure 11**. Available volume is a measure of compactness and strength of bonding between the molecules of the binary liquid mixture. **Figure 12** predicts that available volume increases with increase in concentration of chloroform which shows that there is weak bonding between the molecules of the liquid mixture.



All the three constants: Wada's Constant, Rao's Constant and Vander Waal's Constant are increasing with increase in mole fraction and is displayed in **Figures 13, 14 & 15** respectively. It was reported that if the variation in Rao's Constant and Wada's Constant is linear, then it shows that there is an absence of complex formation in the mixture and so is found in the present investigation which means that there is no complex formation in the mixture of Chloroform and Methanol. Increase in Vander Waal's Constant reveals that the molecules are not very close and hence the interaction is decreasing.

The internal pressure gives information regarding the nature and strength of force existing between the molecules. Due to decrease in internal pressure of the liquid mixture as shown in **Figure 16**, there is an increase in the values of free volume which shows that the strength of interaction among the molecules decreases gradually with increase in concentration and hence weak interaction between the molecules is found.



The Gibb's free energy decreases with increase in concentration of solute molecules (**Figure 17**) which confirms the hydrogen bonding formation in binary liquid mixtures. ^[3]**Figure 18** gives the plot between enthalpy and mole fraction and decrease in the values of enthalpy indicates the weak interaction among the solute and solvent molecules.

CONCLUSION

The ultrasonic study of binary mixtures of chloroform and methanol shows the presence of molecular interactions between the molecules of the mixture. The ultrasonic velocity decreases with increase in concentration which is due to the increase in intermolecular free length of the mixture. The density and viscosity increases with increase in mole fraction. Adiabatic compressibility, intermolecular free length, ultrasonic attenuation and relaxation time decreases with increase in concentration. This decrease in acoustical parameters indicates that there is a weak interaction between the molecules of the mixture. Wada's constant, Rao's constant and Vander Waal's constant show linear variation with increase in mole fraction which indicates the absence of complex formation in the mixture.

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