

Computation of acoustic nonlinearity parameter for binary and ternary liquid mixture

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Abstract

Acoustic nonlinearity parameter, B/A, of six binary systems diethyl carbonate + methanol, + ethanol, + 1-propanol, + 1- butanol, + 2-butanol, + 1-pentanol has been computed at four temperatures (293.15, 298.15, 303.15 and 313.15) K using Tong-Dong thermodynamic method, Hartmann method and Ballou empirical rule. These approaches were further extended to one ternary system: ethyl acetate + n-heptane + acetone at 298.15 K. The experimental input data were taken from literature. A comparative study of the B/A values, obtained from three different methods, is presented.

Keywords: Nonlinearity parameter, Sound speed, Thermal expansion coefficient, Heat capacity.

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1. Introduction

The importance, significance and theoretical formulations of Beyer's acoustic nonlinearity parameter, B/A, have been discussed by a large number of workers. [1-3] In the present works, nonlinearity parameter, B/A, has been computed using these thermodynamic method developed by Tong *et al* [4] for organic liquids, Hartmann [5] method based on potential parameters and an empirical relation due to Ballou. This parameter is obtained the thermodynamic equation of state and the resulting equation is given by

$$\frac{B}{A} = 2\rho u \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial P} \right)_T + \frac{2uT\alpha}{C_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial T} \right)_P \quad \dots(1)$$

Where u is the sound speed, α is the thermal expansion coefficient and C_p is the heat capacity at constant pressure. Thus, B/A can be determined from the knowledge of temperature and pressure coefficient of sound speed, α and C_p . This is thermodynamic method of Beyer which has been employed by other workers. In the case, where the values of $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial T} \right)_P$, $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial P} \right)_T$ and C_p are not known, some other

methods have been developed. B/A plays a significant role in nonlinear acoustics as well as underwater acoustics.

2. Theoretical

Hartmann obtained the expression

$$\frac{B}{A} = 2 + \left(\frac{0.98 \times 10^4}{u} \right) \quad \dots(2)$$

This equation was obtained as an approximation that liquid obeys Rao [6] and Wada [7] rules. Ballou [8] proposed the empirical rule for B/A as

$$\frac{B}{A} = -0.5 + \left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^4}{u} \right) \quad \dots(3)$$

Tong *et al* [4] derived a simplified equation for B/A on the basis of Schaaffs [9] equation for sound speed in organic liquids. The final equation derived by them may be expressed as

$$\frac{B}{A} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) \frac{u^2 \rho \beta_T}{\alpha T} + \frac{2(3-2x)^2}{3(x-1)(6-5x)} \quad \dots(4)$$

Where all the symbols have their usual notations, and

The computed values of B/A for ternary liquid mixture (ethyl acetate + hexane + acetone) are recorded in Table 2. B/A values of ternary liquid mixture also have been calculated using eqs(2), (3) and (4) and are reported in Table 2. Maximum values of B/A have been observed when computation has been done using Hartmann relation, whereas minimum values are obtained using Tong & Dong method mostly at all concentrations. Irregular trend in values of nonlinearity parameter is found for all the three approaches used in present work for the multi component systems.

4. Conclusions

The acoustic nonlinearity parameter B/A holds good for all the methods in binary system whereas irregularities are observed in ternary system due interaction between the formation of bonds themselves. The formation of bonds are lengthened and hence weakened.

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