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## Theoretical Investigation of Ultrasonic Studies and Molecular Interactions in Binary Liquid Mixtures

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### ABSTRACT

The ultrasonic velocity can be measured using a single crystal variable path interferometer with 2MHZ by standard procedure. Using the ultrasonic velocity, various acoustical parameters such as adiabatic compressibility( $\beta_a$ ), free length( $L_f$ ), acoustic impedance( $Z$ ), free volume( $V_f$ ), molar volume( $V$ ), internal pressure( $\Pi_i$ ), relaxation time( $\tau$ ), Rao's constant( $R$ ), Enthalpy( $H$ ), Wada's constant( $W$ ), apparent molar volume( $\phi_v$ ), apparent molar compressibility( $\phi_k$ ) can be calculated. Using the experimental and computed data excess parameters such as excess adiabatic compressibility ( $\beta^E$ ), excess acoustic impedance ( $Z^E$ ), excess intermolecular free length ( $L_f^E$ ), excess volume( $\Delta v$ ), excess viscosity( $\Delta \eta$ ), can be computed. The density and viscosity for the binary liquid mixtures can be measured by using the specific gravity bottle method and Ostwald viscometer respectively. This papers investigates the theoretical aspects for the ultrasonic and molecular interactions in binary liquids.

**Keywords:** ultrasonic velocity, density, viscosity, acoustical parameter, excess parameter.

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## INTRODUCTION

Ultrasonic investigations finds extensive applications in characterising aspects of thermodynamic and physico-chemical behaviour of binary and ternary liquid mixtures. In recent years, the measurements of ultrasonic velocity have been adequately employed in understanding the nature of molecular interactions in liquid mixtures. Ultrasonic propagation parameters results with valuable information regarding the behaviour of binary liquid systems because of intramolecular and intermolecular association, dipolar interactions, complex formation and related structural changes affect the compressibility of the system which in turn produces corresponding variations in the ultrasonic velocity [1]. The ultrasonic velocity measurements are highly sensitive to molecular interaction and can be used to provide qualitative information about the physical nature and strength of molecular interaction in the liquid mixture [2-4]. Ultrasonic velocity of a liquid is fundamentally related to the binding forces between the atoms or the molecules. Ultrasonic velocities of the liquid mixtures may consist of polar and non-polar components are of considerable importance in understanding intermolecular interaction between component molecules and find applications in several industrial and technological processes [5-9]. Ultrasonic velocity measurements are helpful to interpret solute-solvent, ion-solvent and solvent-solvent interaction in aqueous and non-aqueous medium [10,11]. The ultrasonic velocities were measured by using single crystal ultrasonic pulse echo interferometer. It consists of a high frequency generator and a measuring cell with capacity of about 12ml [12]. The variation of ultrasonic velocity and related parameters throw much light upon the structural changes associated with the liquid mixtures having weak and strong interacting components [13,14]. Ultrasonic velocity ( $u$ ), density ( $\rho$ ) and the viscosity ( $\eta$ ) for various volume fraction can be measured at a particular frequency (say 2MHz or 3MHz or 5MHz) with or without variation in temperature. The various acoustical parameters such as adiabatic compressibility ( $\beta_a$ ), free length ( $L_f$ ), acoustic impedance ( $Z$ ), free volume ( $V_f$ ), molar volume ( $V$ ), internal pressure ( $\Pi_i$ ), relaxation time ( $\tau$ ), Rao's constant ( $R$ ), Enthalpy ( $H$ ), Wada's constant ( $W$ ), apparent molar volume ( $\phi_v$ ), apparent molar compressibility ( $\phi_k$ ) can be calculated. Using these experimental and computed data excess parameters such as excess adiabatic compressibility ( $\beta^E$ ), excess acoustic impedance ( $Z^E$ ), excess intermolecular free length ( $L_f^E$ ), excess volume ( $\Delta v$ ), excess viscosity ( $\Delta \eta$ ), can be computed [15-18]. The present works discuss about the possible theoretical approach for the determination of ultrasonic parameters and molecular interactions of any binary or ternary liquids.

### Theoretical Details

#### Ultrasonic Velocity ( $u$ ):

The ultrasonic ( $u$ ) can be measured using ultrasonic interferometer at the frequency 2MHz [19].

$$u = \lambda f \text{ m/sec}$$

Where,  $\lambda$  is the wave length and  $f$  is the frequency of interferometer

**Density ( $\rho$ ):**

The densities were measured by using specific gravity bottle and electronic balance. The density ( $\rho$ ), is given by,

$$\rho_2 = \frac{W_2}{W_1} \rho_1 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$$

Where,  $W_1$  is the weight of the distilled water,  $W_2$  is the weight of the experimental liquid  
 $\rho_1$  is the density of the water,  $\rho_2$  is the density of the experimental liquid

**Viscosity ( $\eta$ ):**

Viscosities were measured at the desired temperature using Ostwald's viscometer. The flow time can be measured for the solution taken. The flow measurements were made an electronic stop watch with a precision of 0.01s. The viscosity ( $\eta$ ) is given by,

$$\eta_2 = \eta_1 \frac{t_2 \rho_2}{t_1 \rho_1} \text{ N s m}^{-2}$$

Where,  $\eta_1$  is the viscosity of water,  $\eta_2$  is the viscosity of the experimental liquid  
 $t_1$  is the time of flow of water,  $t_2$  is the time of flow of the experimental liquid  
 $\rho_1$  is the density of water,  $\rho_2$  is the density of the experimental liquid

**Acoustic Impedance (Z):**

Acoustic impedance (Z) is found to be almost inversely to the adiabatic compressibility. The relation is given by [20].

$$Z = \rho u \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Where,  $\rho$  is the density and  $u$  is the ultrasonic velocity

**Adiabatic Compressibility ( $\beta_a$ ):**

Adiabatic compressibility can be calculated from the speed of sound ( $u$ ), and the density of the medium ( $\rho$ ). The relation is given by [21].

$$\beta_a = \frac{1}{u^2 \rho} \text{ ms}^2 \text{ kg}^{-1}$$

Where,  $u$  is the ultrasonic velocity and  $\rho$  is the density

**Intermolecular Free Length ( $L_f$ ):**

The adiabatic compressibility of a liquid can be expressed in terms of the intermolecular free length which is the distance between the surfaces of the neighbouring molecules and is given by [22].



$$L_f = K\beta^{1/2} m$$

Where,  $K = 1.98 \times 10^{-6}$  Jacobson constant (K values for different temperatures were taken from the work of Jacobson) [23].

### Free Volume ( $V_f$ ):

The free volume ( $v_f$ ), is the effective volume ( $M_{eff}$ ), in which particular molecular liquid and ultrasonic velocity ( $u$ ), and viscosity of the liquid ( $\eta$ ), as [24].

$$V = \left( \frac{M_{eff} u}{K} \right)^{3/2}$$

Where,  $K = 4.28 \times 10^9$ ,  $M_{eff}$  is the effective molecular weight =  $X_1M_1 + X_2M_2$   
 $M_1, M_2$  is the molecular weight of the component,  $X_1, X_2$  is the mole fraction of the individual component,  $u$  is the ultrasonic velocity and  $\eta$  is the viscosity

### Molar Volume ( $V$ ):

The molar volume of the liquid is given by [25].

$$V = \frac{M_{eff}}{\rho}$$

Where,  $M_{eff}$  is the effective molecular weight =  $X_1M_1 + X_2M_2$   
 $M_1, M_2$  is the molecular weight of the components,  $X_1, X_2$  is the mole fraction of components  
 $\rho$  is the density

### Internal Pressure ( $\Pi_i$ ):

The measurements of internal pressure are important in the study of the thermodynamic properties of liquids [26] and is given by.

$$\Pi_i = \{bRT/(V^2V_f)^{1/2}\} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$$

Where,  $b$  is the packing factor,  $R$  is the gas constant,  $V_f$  is the free volume,  $T$  is the temperature

### Viscosity Relaxation Time ( $\tau$ ):

The relaxation time is given by [27].

$$\tau = \frac{4}{3\rho u^2}$$

Where,  $\rho$  is the density and  $\eta$  is the viscosity

**Apparent Volar Volume ( $\phi_v$ ):**

The apparent molar volume ( $\phi_v$ ), is given by [28].

$$\phi_v = [10^3(\rho_0 - \rho) / m \rho \rho_0] + (M / \rho_0)$$

Where, m is the molarity of the solution, M is the relative molar mass of the solute and  $\rho_0, \rho$  is the densities

**Apparent Molar Compressibility ( $\phi_k$ ):**

The apparent molar compressibility ( $\phi_k$ ), is given by [28].

$$\phi_k = [10^3(K_s \rho_0 - \rho) / m \rho \rho_0] + (K_s M / \rho_0)$$

Where, m is the molarity of the solution, M is the relative molar mass of the solute and  $\rho_0, \rho$  is the densities

**Rao's Constant (R):**

The Rao's constant (R), is given by,

$$R = u^{1/3} V$$

Where, u is the ultrasonic velocity and V is the molar volume

**Enthalpy (H):**

The enthalpy (H), is given by,

$$H = \Pi_i V$$

Where,  $\Pi_i$  is the internal pressure and V is the molar volume

**Wada's Constant (W):**

The Wada's constant is given by [29].

$$W = \beta_a^{1/7} V$$

Where,  $\beta_a$  is the adiabatic compressibility and V is the molar volume

**Gibb's Free Energy ( $\Delta G$ ):**

Gibb's free energy is calculated from the relation [30].

$$\Delta G = kT \ln [k T \Delta h]$$

Where  $\tau$  is the viscous relaxation time,  $k$  the Boltzmann's constant ( $1.23 \times 10^{-23} \text{ JK}^{-1}$ ),  $T$  the absolute temperature and  $h$  is the Planck's constant ( $6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$ ).

### Relative Association (RA):

The relative association RA has been determined using the standard formula [31].

$$R_A = \left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho}\right) \left(\frac{U_0}{U}\right)^{1/3}$$

Where  $\rho_0$  and  $\rho$  are the densities and  $U_0$  and  $U$ , the ultrasonic velocities of the solvent and the solution, respectively.

### Excess Parameters

#### Excess Value ( $A^E$ ):

Excess value ( $A^E$ ) of the interaction parameter can be calculated by [32],

$$A^E = A_{\text{exp}} - A_{\text{id}}$$

$$\text{Where, } A_{\text{id}} = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i x_i$$

$A_i$  is the acoustical parameter and  $x_i$  is the mole fraction of liquid components

### CONCLUSION

The ultrasonic studies of liquid is a non-destructive investigation used for probing the nature of the acoustical and molecular interaction in liquids. Ultrasonic velocity measurements can be employed to detect and assess weak and strong molecular interactions present in binary and ternary liquid mixtures. This can be employed to all types of liquid mixtures (binary, ternary, oils etc). The various acoustical parameters, excess parameters and thermodynamic parameters describe in this paper can be calculated for the liquid mixtures from ultrasonic velocity, density and viscosity of the binary liquid mixtures.

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