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Phase Equilibria in Hydrocarbon Systems

Volumetric and Phase Behavior of the Methane-n-Heptane System

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Volumetric and phase behavior of binary hydrocarbon mixtures is of interest in predicting the behavior of fluids encountered in the production and refining of petroleum. Only limited information about the characteristics of the methane-n-heptane system is available.

Measurements of the molal volume of four mixtures of methane and n-heptane were made at pressures up to 10,000 pounds/square inch in the temperature interval between 40° and 460° F. The composition of the gas phase was determined throughout the heterogeneous region within the above-described temperature interval. The results of these measurements are presented in tabular and graphical form.

The present data are in fair agreement with earlier measurements for this system admixed with small percentages of nitrogen. The behavior was in accordance with expectations for this binary system.

In the production and refining of petroleum, use is frequently made of quantitative knowledge of the volumetric and phase behavior of hydrocarbon mixtures. Also, such information is necessary for evaluating measurements of molecular transport made under conditions which deviate from equilibrium. Mixtures of methane and n-heptane have not been intensively investigated. Boomer and Johnson (2, 3) studied this system at pressures up to approximately 3000 pounds/square inch for the temperature interval between 70° and 160° F. However, in order to approximate more closely the behavior of certain fields in Canada, these measurements were made with about 0.06 mole fraction of nitrogen present. The measurements of Boomer and Johnson were not made with the objective of establishing the partial volumetric behavior of the components and for this reason they did not furnish the data required for evaluating transient experimental measurements of diffusion coefficients. Because of the need for additional volumetric and phase equilibrium data, measurements

were made of the volumetric behavior of four mixtures of methane and n-heptane at pressures up to 10,000 pounds/square inch for the temperature interval between 40° and 460° F. In addition, the composition of the gas phase in heterogeneous mixtures of the methane-n-heptane system was determined.

The volumetric behavior of each of the components has been well established. The influence of pressure and temperature upon the molal volume of methane was determined in detail (7, 8, 9) and summarized (11). These data are in good agreement with available Joule-Thomson (5) heat capacity measurements (21). The properties of n-heptane at atmospheric pressure were critically reviewed by Rossini (15). Beattie (1, 20) studied the volumetric behavior at pressures up to 4000 pounds/square inch and investigated the critical region in detail. Newitt (6) and coworkers investigated the volumetric behavior of the liquid phase at pressures up to 75,000 pounds/square inch for temperatures below 140° F. Further measurements of the volumetric behavior of n-heptane in the liquid phase, recently reported (10), were used as the basis of the volumetric behavior of n-heptane in the present study. It is believed that the volumetric and phase behavior of the two components was known with at least the accuracy for which the behavior of the four mixtures of methane and n-heptane was established.

MATERIALS

The methane employed in this study was obtained from a field in the San Joaquin Valley of California. When received at the laboratory it contained small quantities of carbon dioxide and was saturated with water. The sample was passed successively over calcium chloride, potassium hydroxide, activated charcoal, anhydrous calcium sulfate, and Ascarite at pressures in excess of 500 pounds/

square inch. Mass spectrographic analysis of methane from this source, purified in the above-mentioned fashion, indicated that the sample contained less than 0.001 mole fraction of material other than methane and less than 0.0002 mole fraction of other hydrocarbons.

The n-heptane was obtained as research grade from the Phillips Petroleum Co. which indicated it to contain 0.0009 mole fraction of impurities. The n-heptane was dried over metallic sodium and fractionated in a column containing 16 glass plates at a reflux ratio greater than 30. The initial and final 10% of the overhead was discarded. The partially purified sample was passed as a liquid over activated alumina. After deaeration by extended refluxing at reduced pressure, the n-heptane had a specific weight of 42.4430 pounds/cubic foot and a refractive index of 1.3852 relative to the D-lines of sodium at 77° F. These values may be compared with 42.4195 pounds/cubic foot and a refractive index of 1.3851 reported by Rossini (15) for an air saturated sample. The agreement of the specific weight and index of refraction of the sample with accepted values leads the authors to believe that the n-heptane used contained less than 0.0005 mole fraction of impurities.

APPARATUS AND PROCEDURES

The equipment employed in this investigation was described in some detail (19). In principle, it consisted of a stainless steel pressure vessel within which known quantities of methane and n-heptane were introduced. The volume of the chamber available to hydrocarbons was varied by the introduction and withdrawal of mercury. Equilibrium within and between the phases was hastened by a spiral mechanical agitator driven by a rotating electromagnet outside the pressure vessel. The quantity of n-heptane introduced into the vessel was determined by weighing bomb techniques (12) with an uncertainty of not more than 0.02%. The methane was introduced from another pressure vessel by a displacement technique at constant

pressure, and the weight of methane so introduced was established with an uncertainty comparable to that with which the volumetric behavior of methane is known. It is estimated that the uncertainty in the weight of methane introduced was not more than 0.1%.

The temperature of the sample was determined by means of a strain-free platinum resistance thermometer which was compared with a similar instrument calibrated by the National Bureau of Standards. The temperature of the sample was related to the international platinum scale with an uncertainty of less than 0.03° F. Pressures were measured by a balance (19) which was calibrated against the vapor pressure of carbon dioxide at the ice point (4). The pressure of the sample was established with a probable error of 0.05% or 0.1 pound per square inch, whichever was the larger uncertainty. After a series of measurements at ascending temperatures the volumetric behavior of the mixture was again measured at 100° F. The two isotherms agreed with one another in every case with a probable error of less than 0.1%, except in the immediate vicinity of bubble points for the mixtures rich in n-heptane; a slight increase in bubble-point pressure was noted as a result of limited chemical rearrangement of the n-heptane at temperatures above 400° F. In these instances the initial measurements were adopted.

The bubble-point state was determined by the discontinuous change in the isothermal derivative of molal volume with respect to pressure which occurred at this state. The composition at dew point was obtained by withdrawal of the gas phase samples from a heterogeneous mixture under isobaric-isothermal conditions.

Composition of the gas phase samples was determined by a partial condensation procedure. The gas sample was withdrawn from the variable volume chamber under isobaric-isothermal conditions after equilibrium had been established at the chosen pressure and temperature. The gas was passed through a partial condenser (12) maintained near the temperature of solid carbon dioxide and acetone and the vapor pressure of methane at liquid nitrogen

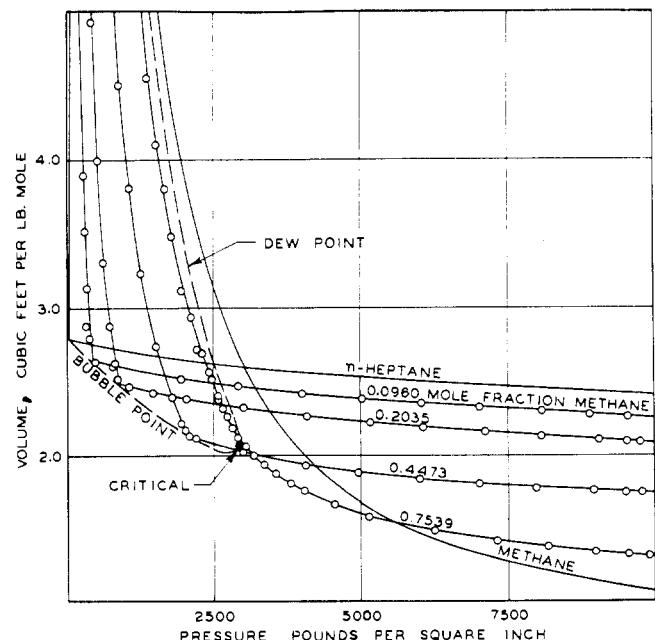


Figure 1. Experimental volumetric measurements at 280° F.

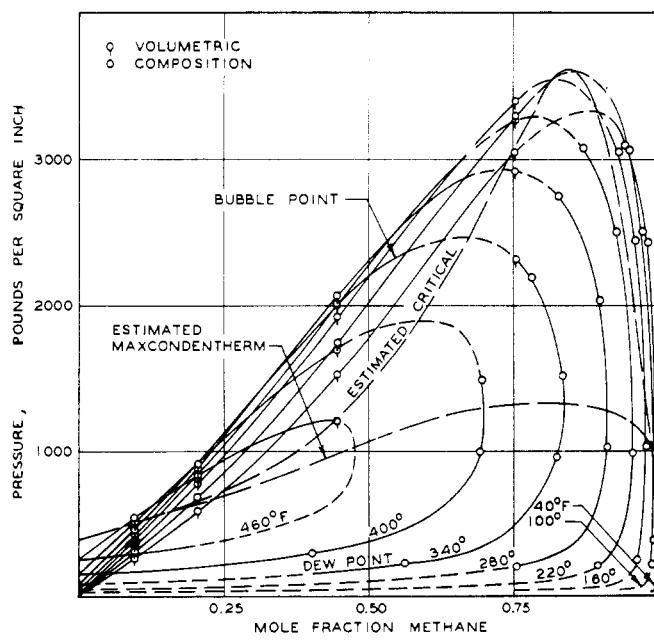


Figure 2. Compositions of coexisting gas and liquid phases

temperatures. The methane was condensed in a weighing bomb maintained at the temperature of liquid nitrogen and the quantity of methane was determined by the loss in weight of the bomb upon evacuation at the temperature of solid carbon dioxide and acetone. The total quantity of n-heptane was determined from the gain in weight of the partial condenser and the loss in weight of the weighing bomb upon evacuation at room temperature. The quantity of n-heptane accumulating in the weighing bomb was in nearly all cases less than 2% of the weight of n-heptane liquefied in the partial condenser. Some 30 measurements of the composition of the gas phase were made at different states throughout the temperature interval. Measurements upon duplicate samples withdrawn at the same equilibrium states indicated a probable error of 0.002 mole fraction n-heptane.

EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

A sample of the experimental volumetric measurements is shown in Figure 1 for a temperature of 280° F. The data for methane and n-heptane have been included for comparison. The density of experimental points shown in Figure 1 is typical of those obtained at other temperatures. The detailed experimental data obtained in this investigation given in Table I.

Experimental information such as is shown in Figure 1 was smoothed by residual graphical methods which have been described (13, 16). The smoothed values of the molal volume for even compositions are recorded in Table II. The corresponding values for pure methane and n-heptane are not included since these data are available (6, 10, 12).

TABLE I. EXPERIMENTAL VOLUMETRIC MEASUREMENTS FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE

Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.
<u>Mole fraction methane = 0.0960</u>							
Sample wt. = 0.204269 lb.							
40° F.		100° F.		280° F.		340° F.	
9960.3	0.021878	9934.8	0.022596	10120.4	0.024570	10066.0	0.025266
9396.1	0.021931	9461.8	0.022651	9557.4	0.024721	9570.7	0.025419
8940.4	0.022007	8965.8	0.022723	8917.4	0.024887	9021.6	0.025585
8020.4	0.022114	8074.8	0.022860	8090.2	0.025072	8111.1	0.025859
7124.1	0.022245	7069.6	0.022992	7030.2	0.025364	7113.2	0.026157
6054.5	0.022426	6221.5	0.023139	6035.8	0.025656	6092.1	0.026498
5012.3	0.022572	5222.1	0.023336	5000.7	0.026008	5033.2	0.026966
3985.9	0.022725	4532.5	0.023474	4008.5	0.026408	4000.1	0.027471
2971.1	0.022890	3481.2	0.023705	2904.5	0.026884	3035.3	0.028074
1967.3	0.023070	2107.0	0.023999	1943.3	0.027449	1981.9	0.028936
882.8	0.023280	1006.0	0.024269	778.9	0.028344	1367.9	0.029535
346.1	0.023361	487.5	0.024414	481.2	0.028643	832.8	0.030282
304.4	0.023359	276.6	0.026529	391.2	0.030465	483.1	0.030901
248.1	0.023792	267.3	0.027336	377.6	0.031432	448.1	0.031657
220.1	0.026576	232.3	0.030783	343.1	0.034180	432.8	0.032807
193.3	0.030014	214.6	0.033048	303.7	0.038287	396.4	0.035745
168.8	0.034121	173.6	0.039950	273.0	0.042385	344.5	0.041397
143.1	0.040044	139.6	0.048861	214.1	0.054492	276.4	0.053691
130.5	0.043799	119.1	0.056711	177.3	0.067361	233.9	0.066596
100.9	0.056456	98.6	0.067980	155.5	0.078895	207.6	0.079190
82.9	0.068536	82.6	0.080785	138.9	0.091210	189.2	0.091809
71.0	0.079998	72.5	0.091762	126.5	0.103428	176.0	0.103794
61.9	0.091402	63.7	0.104448				
54.8	0.103650						
160° F.							
9821.2	0.023268	9953.1	0.023932	9682.5	0.026121	9971.5	0.026762
9509.1	0.023308	9476.2	0.024048	9419.2	0.026221	9521.8	0.026916
9044.5	0.023398	8998.6	0.024157	9075.4	0.026334	8998.4	0.027128
8021.7	0.023572	8042.4	0.024362	8195.2	0.026619	8016.5	0.027510
7048.6	0.023751	7033.7	0.024571	7064.6	0.027050	7018.8	0.027983
6120.0	0.023954	6034.9	0.024828	6041.5	0.027521	6007.8	0.028539
5002.5	0.024199	5055.3	0.025090	5010.9	0.028059	5078.9	0.029154
4023.8	0.024422	4025.7	0.025407	3860.8	0.028833	4009.6	0.030041
3011.3	0.024688	2953.7	0.025734	2859.8	0.029692	3023.1	0.031124
1994.1	0.025018	2029.9	0.026111	1950.7	0.030772	1964.5	0.032893
865.8	0.025421	962.2	0.026706	1475.2	0.031520	1459.1	0.034181
402.4	0.025604	619.9	0.026869	897.0	0.032818	945.9	0.036475
339.7	0.026124	371.7	0.027738	543.5	0.034077	674.1	0.038786
326.9	0.026917	353.5	0.028874	506.7	0.034576	617.8	0.039568
296.6	0.029097	313.0	0.031956	494.5	0.035585	566.1	0.041042
258.6	0.032652	262.3	0.037204	466.3	0.038044	554.4	0.042375
187.0	0.043375	225.0	0.042736	412.9	0.044279	537.1	0.044505
142.3	0.055976	169.1	0.056157	361.0	0.053615	505.0	0.049363
111.1	0.071239	143.2	0.066837	315.8	0.066475	480.0	0.054313
100.2	0.078840	118.7	0.081135	284.8	0.080576	440.4	0.064509
87.2	0.090379	103.9	0.094069	268.1	0.091087	401.0	0.080181
76.3	0.103929	94.4	0.104578	254.2	0.102816	384.9	0.089388
						366.5	0.103514

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Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.
Absolute		Mole fraction methane = 0.2035				400° F.	460° F.
	Sample wt. = 0.228610 lb.			9849.1	0.026930	9892.5	0.027700
				9513.5	0.027069	9556.9	0.027861
40° F.		100° F.		8994.7	0.027253	9103.4	0.028055
				8060.4	0.027620	8107.4	0.028525
				7071.6	0.028071	7051.5	0.029110
9832.4	0.022407	9604.1	0.023188	6049.2	0.028594	6047.1	0.029777
9524.3	0.022446	8932.3	0.023342	5112.7	0.029201	5081.6	0.030537
9065.7	0.022510	8149.1	0.023455	4118.6	0.029999	4039.5	0.031615
8115.6	0.022643	7085.7	0.023549	3000.5	0.031189	3008.9	0.033166
7093.4	0.022786	6086.2	0.023777	1950.9	0.032906	2007.5	0.035595
6072.9	0.022930	5142.8	0.023969	1452.2	0.034227	1481.2	0.037973
5070.1	0.023080	4145.1	0.024218	1197.9	0.035119	1187.6	0.040281
4045.4	0.023258	3004.7	0.024514	1104.3	0.035537	1030.8	0.042272
2909.7	0.023517	2053.8	0.024796	1010.4	0.036019	915.2	0.044669
1992.6	0.023710	986.7	0.025105	889.6	0.037791	827.2	0.049525
947.9	0.023956	735.1	0.025190	845.5	0.039685	772.6	0.054014
697.0	0.024017	639.4	0.026700	726.2	0.045979	706.6	0.060977
597.9	0.024056	605.0	0.027924	663.1	0.051233	630.0	0.072054
554.2	0.024832	464.0	0.035032	583.0	0.059478	574.6	0.083518
541.2	0.025414	375.6	0.042333	505.3	0.071084	533.3	0.095019
504.0	0.026974	305.0	0.051315	455.2	0.081498		
430.4	0.031194	250.9	0.061658	413.5	0.093450		
326.0	0.040626	215.9	0.071252				
251.8	0.055205	177.1	0.086249				
209.2	0.062694	162.1	0.093844				
182.7	0.072610					Mole fraction methane = 0.2035	
157.2	0.083345					Sample wt. = 0.076314 lb.	
141.3	0.092724						
160° F.		220° F.			40° F.		100° F.
9718.4	0.023833	9691.4	0.024614	183.6	0.068135	1897.6	0.024886
9430.1	0.023922	9566.3	0.024645	173.8	0.075647	1519.3	0.025008
8969.4	0.024001	9079.0	0.024750	154.5	0.085096	733.4	0.025334
8140.0	0.024164	8133.6	0.024973	124.2	0.106045	719.6	0.025266
7028.7	0.024387	7091.7	0.025261	101.7	0.129775	608.9	0.028019
5993.0	0.024621	6043.0	0.025548	84.9	0.155453	496.7	0.033271
5049.3	0.024867	5126.5	0.025836	69.9	0.188756	363.8	0.043936
4009.9	0.025156	4019.9	0.026244	60.1	0.219769	215.8	0.071502
3006.1	0.025547	2983.8	0.026740	52.7	0.250897	193.3	0.079582
1987.6	0.025894	1989.3	0.027247	46.5	0.284866	172.7	0.088534
1273.5	0.026237	1258.7	0.027725			150.5	0.101805
771.6	0.026494	839.1	0.028029			127.6	0.119364
756.8	0.026895	794.3	0.029147			97.7	0.155885
731.3	0.027650	712.2	0.031764			81.5	0.186773
703.4	0.028487	542.9	0.039789			71.1	0.214316
609.6	0.031942	429.1	0.049054			59.4	0.257574
523.5	0.038116	345.7	0.059965			52.6	0.292381
395.3	0.046384	291.4	0.070671				
315.8	0.058391	251.3	0.081753			160° F.	220° F.
253.8	0.070022	219.6	0.093696			212.6	0.083578
215.8	0.081872					199.5	0.088975
189.2	0.093135					185.0	0.095727
280° F.		340° F.			161.1	0.109920	208.4
					130.6	0.135602	169.7
9757.6	0.025346	9746.8	0.026206	104.1	0.170974	143.0	0.147915
9570.4	0.025402	9498.7	0.026242	87.3	0.205361	120.6	0.179401
9083.7	0.025530	9070.7	0.026360	73.8	0.245377	103.5	0.213113
8088.8	0.025808	8095.8	0.026679	65.7	0.278577	91.3	0.247658
7116.0	0.026110	7083.1	0.027065			82.6	0.279835
6066.8	0.026484	6106.0	0.027473				
5133.5	0.026856	5162.5	0.027971				
4070.7	0.027375	4049.5	0.028641				
3005.7	0.028032	3065.7	0.029381				
2027.1	0.028721	2058.6	0.030543				
1476.5	0.029254	1455.0	0.031432			280° F.	340° F.
1051.4	0.029681	1191.1	0.031904			340.7	0.071557
864.8	0.030280	1022.9	0.032272			320.1	0.076312
817.6	0.031696	889.6	0.033073			293.9	0.083311
731.1	0.034755	869.6	0.033739			262.1	0.094241
620.7	0.040011	835.0	0.034917			221.2	0.114434
506.4	0.048139	753.2	0.038314			170.2	0.156558
407.1	0.059316	665.3	0.043020			153.8	0.178616
344.0	0.070372	543.4	0.052472			201.5	0.185162
296.9	0.082027	446.5	0.064588			135.8	0.211605
264.5	0.092857	361.0	0.082327			122.2	0.244667
		327.5	0.092794			111.5	0.280352

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400° F.		460° F.		280° F.		340° F.	
502.0	0.072059	573.8	0.084156	9805.1	0.028112	10000.1	0.028818
477.4	0.077089	548.2	0.091141	9507.5	0.028164	9612.4	0.028997
452.3	0.082844	531.0	0.096441	8989.2	0.028290	9084.2	0.029265
410.8	0.095058	501.4	0.107392	7981.5	0.028587	8032.3	0.029762
351.2	0.121217	455.1	0.130922	7010.0	0.029010	7016.0	0.030367
315.7	0.146116	412.9	0.164200	6013.3	0.029577	6023.1	0.031096
282.5	0.181509	383.7	0.196499	4964.1	0.030333	4959.0	0.032069
263.6	0.211605	359.6	0.223067	4077.4	0.031101	3933.7	0.033355
247.8	0.244409	332.5	0.252875	3000.2	0.032440	2962.8	0.035121
236.6	0.276177	326.9	0.259376	2182.7	0.033950	2416.4	0.036654
		322.6	0.264973	2053.0	0.034252	2107.5	0.037897
		317.7	0.270977	2003.5	0.034728	2001.4	0.038439
		303.5	0.290084	1950.9	0.035479	1911.6	0.039389
				1777.1	0.038331	1844.5	0.040631
				1514.7	0.043886	1717.9	0.043243
<u>Mole fraction methane = 0.4473</u>				1251.0	0.051856	1509.0	0.048687
Sample wt. = 0.226878 lb.				1058.5	0.060829	1205.4	0.060175
40° F.		100° F.		681.0		886.6	
40° F.		100° F.		765.7		765.7	
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40° F.		100° F.		765.7		886.6	
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TABLE I. EXPERIMENTAL VOLUMETRIC MEASUREMENTS FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE (Contd.)

Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.	Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Volume, Cu.Ft./Lb.		
160° F.		220° F.		Mole fraction methane = 0.7539					
9653.7	0.032817	9889.8	0.034280			Sample wt. = 0.068353 lb.			
9273.3	0.032953	9519.9	0.034537						
8934.5	0.033174	9001.7	0.034959	40° F.		100° F.			
8057.0	0.033790	8030.9	0.035851	1433.2	0.065658	4023.4	0.035448		
7064.3	0.034652	7085.4	0.036882	1328.0	0.071034	3851.6	0.035737		
6055.9	0.035725	6005.7	0.038409	1238.0	0.077013	3614.3	0.036246		
5101.0	0.036956	5054.7	0.040274	1101.3	0.087582	3309.8	0.036873		
4556.3	0.037928	4532.6	0.041703	914.5	0.107709	3163.5	0.038238		
4059.0	0.039027	3994.0	0.043495	765.9	0.130719	2981.9	0.040113		
3836.0	0.039630	3789.0	0.044377	639.2	0.158994	2816.1	0.042122		
3610.0	0.040313	3584.8	0.045375	530.9	0.194227	1945.8	0.058743		
3404.5	0.041095	3322.9	0.046969	452.2	0.230396	1732.0	0.065979		
3237.3	0.042709	3175.5	0.048434	382.2	0.275461	1532.7	0.074774		
3171.4	0.043510	3067.7	0.050060	333.1	0.318548	1247.4	0.092460		
3048.2	0.045049	2961.7	0.051773			906.5	0.129141		
2927.7	0.046679	2861.1	0.053494			706.5	0.167514		
2705.0	0.050081	2674.9	0.056988			585.0	0.204158		
2360.4	0.056733	2330.0	0.064944			498.7	0.240937		
2039.0	0.065170	2012.9	0.074758			436.8	0.276630		
1792.3	0.073866					386.8	0.313794		
280° F.		340° F.		160° F.		220° F.			
9932.4	0.035997	9984.4	0.037815	2375.0	0.056384	2519.2	0.060473		
9579.9	0.036311	9432.5	0.038431	2100.9	0.063470	2137.0	0.070887		
9000.4	0.036839	9014.2	0.038957	1824.7	0.072986	1938.7	0.077947		
8176.4	0.037816	8127.2	0.040139	1524.5	0.087236	1670.8	0.090386		
7326.3	0.038974	7069.8	0.042032	1242.2	0.106488	1665.5	0.090624		
6273.9	0.040800	6183.4	0.044132	1019.3	0.131462	1423.9	0.106058		
5138.0	0.043294	5183.2	0.047111	836.2	0.161295	1416.4	0.106743		
4565.0	0.045740	4700.4	0.049570	691.3	0.196071	1163.6	0.130168		
4045.6	0.048185	4443.5	0.051001	568.2	0.240725	1160.9	0.130412		
3815.9	0.049512	4229.7	0.052297	499.7	0.274491	952.8	0.159414		
3564.5	0.051322	4017.5	0.053745	434.0	0.316598	807.0	0.189112		
3360.2	0.053005	3790.3	0.055587	432.4	0.317921	683.0	0.224639		
3184.2	0.054702	3594.2	0.057387			590.2	0.261243		
3037.1	0.056370	3484.4	0.058515			492.3	0.315667		
2908.4	0.058074	3351.0	0.060048	2572.5	0.065591	2597.1	0.072762		
2815.0	0.059779	3221.3	0.061663	2411.9	0.069996	2437.4	0.076883		
2738.1	0.061554	3077.5	0.063682	2266.4	0.074390	2321.8	0.080244		
2664.0	0.063273	2951.9	0.065642	2101.0	0.080183	2214.5	0.084123		
2593.4	0.065008	2799.9	0.068316	1963.3	0.085058	2093.9	0.089314		
2454.0	0.068640	2627.7	0.071847	1780.2	0.094869	1983.6	0.094259		
2289.5	0.073484	2482.1	0.075354	1632.6	0.103547	1808.0	0.103996		
		2395.0	0.077707	1514.9	0.111842	1589.9	0.117920		
				1364.8	0.124116	1408.5	0.134183		
				1207.7	0.140694	1217.8	0.157293		
				1062.4	0.160895	998.7	0.194779		
				910.8	0.188729	813.2	0.243972		
				773.6	0.223932	617.5	0.334540		
				651.9	0.268545				
				557.3	0.317686				
400° F.		460° F.		280° F.		340° F.			
9867.6	0.039886	10001.6	0.041624	3396.1	0.066937	4001.8	0.065703		
9498.7	0.040360	9575.0	0.042318	3179.8	0.070284	3632.0	0.070501		
9066.1	0.041000	8951.4	0.043379	2939.8	0.074749	3295.3	0.076031		
7228.7	0.044461	7159.4	0.047573	2739.0	0.079429	3003.8	0.082147		
5181.8	0.051561	5284.9	0.055227	2530.2	0.085134	2708.1	0.089827		
4113.7	0.058658	4318.2	0.062544	2327.1	0.091618	2421.1	0.099486		
3394.4	0.066750	3735.9	0.069182	2125.7	0.100003	2104.8	0.113636		
3172.1	0.070197	3385.8	0.074314	1642.9	0.129810	1798.5	0.133132		
2940.4	0.074510			1411.5	0.152628	1500.6	0.160522		
				1174.3	0.186677	1231.7	0.197949		
				990.7	0.224975	1036.1	0.238106		
				853.3	0.265094	891.8	0.279377		
				738.4	0.310477	790.4	0.317972		

TABLE II. MOLAL VOLUMES FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE
(Cu. ft. / 1lb. mole)

Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Mole Fraction Methane								
	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
40° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(4) 1337	(6) 891	(8) 668	(9) 594	(10) 534	(11) 485	(18) 296	(21) 254	(28) 190
Bubble point ^a	(269) 2.149	(572) 2.002	(919) 1.850	(1319) 1.699	(1781) 1.559	(2302) 1.425	(2817) 1.298	(3198) 1.207	(3320) ^b 1.184
200									
400	2.146								
600	2.143	2.001							
800	2.139	1.998							
1000	2.135	1.993	1.846						
1250	2.130	1.989	1.841						
1500	2.126	1.984	1.834	1.693					
1750	2.122	1.978	1.828	1.688					
2000	2.118	1.973	1.823	1.682	1.552				
2250	2.114	1.968	1.818	1.677	1.546				
2500	2.110	1.963	1.813	1.672	1.540	1.419			
2750	2.105	1.959	1.808	1.668	1.535	1.413			
3000	2.101	1.953	1.805	1.664	1.530	1.407	1.291		
3500	2.094	1.945	1.796	1.655	1.523	1.397	1.277	1.188	1.164
4000	2.085	1.936	1.789	1.649	1.515	1.387	1.264	1.164	1.116
4500	2.078	1.929	1.783	1.643	1.507	1.378	1.253	1.143	1.083
5000	2.072	1.921	1.775	1.636	1.501	1.371	1.243	1.125	1.056
6000	2.057	1.907	1.765	1.627	1.491	1.355	1.222	1.100	1.015
7000	2.045	1.897	1.756	1.617	1.479	1.338	1.200	1.077	0.980
8000	2.031	1.885	1.745	1.606	1.465	1.323	1.185	1.061	0.956
9000	2.019	1.874	1.733	1.595	1.455	1.313	1.173	1.045	0.934
10,000	2.009	1.863	1.721	1.583	1.443	1.299	1.159	1.029	0.913
100° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(7) 848	(9) 659	(11) 539	(18) 329	(21) 282	(25) 237	(31) 191	(40) 148	(46) 128
Bubble point ^a	(318) 2.247	(669) 2.100	(1068) 1.948	(1518) 1.795	(2026) 1.650	(2549) 1.511	(3048) 1.391	(3490) 1.313	(3525) ^b 1.374
200									
400	2.244								
600	2.240								
800	2.235	2.096							
1000	2.229	2.090							
1250	2.223	2.085	1.942						
1500	2.217	2.077	1.935						
1750	2.211	2.069	1.927	1.788					
2000	2.205	2.064	1.921	1.780					
2250	2.200	2.058	1.915	1.772	1.637				
2500	2.195	2.052	1.907	1.764	1.628				
2750	2.188	2.046	1.901	1.758	1.620	1.498			
3000	2.184	2.040	1.895	1.752	1.611	1.485			
3500	2.174	2.030	1.885	1.740	1.597	1.470	1.374	1.312	
4000	2.165	2.019	1.874	1.730	1.589	1.457	1.353	1.288	1.300
4500	2.157	2.009	1.865	1.719	1.581	1.449	1.334	1.263	1.250
5000	2.147	1.999	1.855	1.711	1.571	1.437	1.316	1.238	1.201
6000	2.129	1.981	1.838	1.697	1.555	1.417	1.289	1.185	1.118
7000	2.113	1.966	1.824	1.682	1.539	1.399	1.264	1.150	1.065
8000	2.100	1.951	1.808	1.665	1.524	1.384	1.247	1.121	1.022
9000	2.085	1.939	1.794	1.651	1.507	1.366	1.228	1.100	0.992
10,000	2.072	1.925	1.782	1.639	1.495	1.350	1.209	1.082	0.970
160° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(11) 588	(19) 340	(23) 281	(31) 208	(40) 162	(46) 140	(52) 124	(61) 106	(80) 81
Bubble point ^a	(358) 2.358	(753) 2.206	(1199) 2.048	(1689) 1.896	(2202) 1.758	(2719) 1.644	(3178) 1.551	(3529) 1.501	(3325) ^b 1.646
200									
400	2.352								
600	2.345								
800	2.339	2.204							
1000	2.330	2.194							
1250	2.323	2.183	2.045						
1500	2.313	2.173	2.035						

TABLE II. MOLAL VOLUMES FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE (Contd.)

Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Mole Fraction Methane								
	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
160° F. (Contd.)									
1750	2.305	2.163	2.024	1.892					
2000	2.298	2.155	2.014	1.881					
2250	2.288	2.147	2.006	1.870	1.755				
2500	2.281	2.139	1.994	1.859	1.742				
2750	2.275	2.132	1.986	1.849	1.729	1.641			
3000	2.268	2.124	1.978	1.840	1.716	1.624			
3500	2.257	2.110	1.962	1.824	1.699	1.592	1.517		1.573
4000	2.243	2.096	1.949	1.808	1.678	1.567	1.474	1.426	1.453
4500	2.233	2.083	1.933	1.793	1.663	1.546	1.442	1.375	1.375
5000	2.225	2.072	1.921	1.781	1.648	1.526	1.414	1.338	1.315
6000	2.202	2.049	1.903	1.763	1.625	1.493	1.373	1.279	1.228
7000	2.183	2.032	1.883	1.742	1.604	1.465	1.336	1.231	1.155
8000	2.165	2.014	1.864	1.723	1.583	1.443	1.310	1.194	1.104
9000	2.150	1.999	1.850	1.704	1.563	1.422	1.288	1.166	1.062
10,000	2.133	1.981	1.833	1.691	1.551	1.409	1.269	1.143	1.036
220° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(24) 287	(33) 209	(45) 153	(56) 123	(64) 108	(74) 93	(88) 79	(103) 67	(212) 33
Bubble point ^a	(399) 2.485	(818) 2.330	(1279) 2.170	(1777) 2.015	(2278) 1.885	(2754) 1.784	(3139) 1.738	(3286) ^b 1.794	(2883) ^b 2.160
200									
400	2.484								
600	2.470								
800	2.457								
1000	2.447	2.319							
1250	2.437	2.305							
1500	2.424	2.290	2.158						
1750	2.411	2.278	2.144						
2000	2.400	2.264	2.130	2.003					
2250	2.390	2.253	2.118	1.988					
2500	2.379	2.242	2.105	1.974	1.870				
2750	2.370	2.232	2.090	1.960	1.850				
3000	2.362	2.220	2.078	1.946	1.830	1.760			
3500	2.348	2.204	2.058	1.922	1.797	1.715	1.675	1.715	1.837
4000	2.331	2.186	2.038	1.898	1.768	1.666	1.608	1.608	1.683
4500	2.316	2.170	2.021	1.881	1.745	1.629	1.557	1.527	1.554
5000	2.305	2.154	2.006	1.864	1.725	1.602	1.515	1.464	1.470
6000	2.280	2.127	1.980	1.838	1.694	1.565	1.460	1.378	1.345
7000	2.256	2.105	1.957	1.815	1.670	1.536	1.416	1.322	1.255
8000	2.235	2.084	1.935	1.790	1.644	1.507	1.381	1.272	1.188
9000	2.215	2.064	1.914	1.768	1.624	1.482	1.351	1.230	1.136
10,000	2.195	2.043	1.894	1.749	1.604	1.459	1.323	1.199	1.093
280° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(52) 138	(64) 112	(77) 94	(91) 80	(110) 66	(136) 54	(171) 43	(250) 30	(740) 10.0
Bubble point ^a	(436) 2.643	(868) 2.489	(1349) 2.333	(1847) 2.193	(2304) 2.088	(2702) 2.020	(2912) 2.048	(2842) 2.226	(2012) 3.38
200								38	39
400								19	
600	2.623								12.4
800	2.603								
1000	2.587	2.472							
1250	2.568	2.452							
1500	2.551	2.430	2.318						
1750	2.535	2.409	2.293						
2000	2.520	2.390	2.271	2.177					3.40
2250	2.507	2.373	2.250	2.148					3.08
2500	2.489	2.357	2.232	2.123	2.054				2.798
2750	2.478	2.345	2.214	2.098	2.011				2.546
3000	2.466	2.331	2.196	2.076	1.985	1.952	2.014	2.149	2.335
3500	2.443	2.304	2.165	2.038	1.933	1.873	1.876	1.945	2.080

TABLE II. MOLAL VOLUMES FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE (Contd.)

Pressure, Lb./Sq.Inch Absolute	Mole Fraction Methane								
	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
280° F. (Contd.)									
4000	2.422	2.278	2.139	2.008	1.891	1.806	1.770	1.804	1.897
4500	2.408	2.260	2.116	1.981	1.858	1.756	1.699	1.698	1.751
5000	2.389	2.241	2.096	1.958	1.826	1.716	1.642	1.615	1.636
6000	2.357	2.209	2.061	1.921	1.781	1.655	1.555	1.500	1.481
7000	2.329	2.178	2.033	1.888	1.748	1.612	1.498	1.418	1.367
8000	2.303	2.152	2.004	1.856	1.712	1.574	1.450	1.356	1.283
9000	2.282	2.128	1.978	1.831	1.687	1.542	1.414	1.308	1.217
10,000	2.258	2.107	1.957	1.808	1.662	1.517	1.384	1.266	1.163
340° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(103) 69	(121) 60	(141) 52	(167) 44	(198) 38	(243) 31	(359) 21	(752) 10	
Bubble point ^a	(468) 2.843	(897) 2.704	(1351) 2.569	(1818) 2.445	(2198) 2.355	(2426) 2.382	(2448) ^b 2.566	(2041) ^b 3.38	
200									42.3
400									20.8
600	2.822								13.7
800	2.789								10.1
1000	2.758	2.682							8.0
1250	2.728	2.642							6.3
1500	2.702	2.608	2.546						5.18
1750	2.678	2.576	2.502						4.41
2000	2.658	2.547	2.461	2.406					3.86
2250	2.639	2.520	2.423	2.352	2.336				3.44
2500	2.622	2.492	2.388	2.302	2.273	2.350	2.532	2.809	3.12
2750	2.601	2.470	2.356	2.262	2.220	2.262	2.396	2.616	2.867
3000	2.580	2.452	2.328	2.228	2.176	2.198	2.292	2.467	2.674
3500	2.552	2.416	2.283	2.170	2.098	2.079	2.106	2.188	2.330
4000	2.522	2.385	2.248	2.126	2.032	1.972	1.960	2.004	2.100
4500	2.502	2.361	2.222	2.090	1.982	1.900	1.860	1.867	1.922
5000	2.478	2.335	2.193	2.061	1.939	1.839	1.780	1.767	1.794
6000	2.439	2.292	2.146	2.006	1.873	1.756	1.667	1.616	1.602
7000	2.404	2.254	2.102	1.960	1.822	1.694	1.590	1.511	1.466
8000	2.378	2.224	2.072	1.925	1.783	1.648	1.533	1.437	1.365
9000	2.351	2.195	2.043	1.895	1.750	1.612	1.490	1.383	1.292
10,000	2.328	2.173	2.023	1.872	1.721	1.576	1.448	1.336	1.239
400° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(169) 40	(197) 35	(236) 31	(294) 25	(373) 21	(540) 14			
Bubble point ^a	(524) 3.15	(898) 3.04	(1262) 2.976	(1586) 2.964	(1829) 3.03	(1904) ^b 3.37			
200		38	40	42	43	44.6	45.3	45.8	
400					20	21.6	22.2	22.7	
600	3.12					13.9	14.6	15.0	
800	3.05					10.1	10.7	11.2	
1000	2.992	2.995				7.80	8.46	8.92	
1250	2.940	2.896				6.03	6.66	7.12	
1500	2.894	2.831	2.858			4.92	5.50	5.92	
1750	2.855	2.773	2.760	2.850		4.16	4.69	5.08	
2000	2.822	2.724	2.677	2.701	2.839	3.19	3.62	4.06	4.45
2250	2.791	2.683	2.613	2.600	2.653	2.862	3.23	3.63	3.98
2500	2.763	2.651	2.565	2.523	2.544	2.655	2.943	3.29	3.60
2750	2.740	2.623	2.521	2.458	2.461	2.539	2.741	3.02	3.29
3000	2.718	2.593	2.482	2.403	2.386	2.437	2.581	2.792	3.04
3500	2.677	2.549	2.425	2.325	2.278	2.287	2.339	2.457	2.642
4000	2.643	2.506	2.375	2.264	2.183	2.155	2.161	2.230	2.358
4500	2.607	2.468	2.336	2.216	2.114	2.057	2.045	2.083	2.168
5000	2.576	2.435	2.298	2.170	2.057	1.984	1.950	1.965	2.015
6000	2.528	2.382	2.236	2.100	1.973	1.874	1.795	1.751	1.760
7000	2.488	2.338	2.191	2.046	1.914	1.796	1.696	1.630	1.605
8000	2.453	2.300	2.149	2.002	1.861	1.732	1.623	1.536	1.486
9000	2.418	2.267	2.113	1.963	1.819	1.682	1.567	1.467	1.398
10,000	2.390	2.239	2.086	1.932	1.786	1.647	1.522	1.413	1.333

TABLE II. MOLAL VOLUMES FOR MIXTURES OF METHANE AND n-HEPTANE
(Contd.)

Pressure, Lb./Sq. Inch Absolute	Mole Fraction Methane								
	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
460° F.									
Dew point ^a Estimated	(302) 19	(353) 18	(428) 16	(558) 13	.				
Bubble point ^a	(541) 3.70	(822) 3.62	(1058) 3.63	(1193) 4.04					
200	31	38	42	44	46.2	47.4	48.2	48.7	49.0
400				18	20	21.6	22.7	23.51	23.04
600						13.4	14.6	15.34	15.02
800							9.29	10.4	11.24
1000								11.12	12.08
1250									7.06
1500									8.16
1750									8.83
2000									8.78
2250									9.61
2500									6.36
2750									6.93
3000									7.66
3500									5.20
4000									5.70
4500									5.73
5000									6.36
6000									4.38
7000									4.83
8000									4.90
9000									5.46
10,000									4.19
									4.53
									4.79
									3.40
									3.75
									4.03
									4.28
									3.15
									3.43
									3.66
									3.88
									2.758
									2.916
									3.15
									3.37
									3.55
									2.627
									2.641
									2.750
									2.927
									3.10
									3.26
									2.504
									2.484
									2.519
									2.605
									2.715
									2.838
									2.390
									2.449
									2.529
									2.234
									2.227
									2.253
									2.305
									2.102
									2.103
									2.130
									1.989
									1.921
									1.885
									1.876
									1.798
									1.738
									1.698
									1.815
									1.709
									1.630
									1.568
									1.473
									1.483
									1.394

a Values in parentheses represent dew-point or bubble-point pressures.

b Retrograde dew point.

TABLE III. ANALYSIS OF GAS PHASE FROM HETEROGENEOUS EQUILIBRIUM

Temperature, ° F.	Pressure, Lb./Sq. Inch Absolute	Mole Fraction Methane
40	220.7	0.9972
	976.6	0.9972
	2433.7	0.9816
	3093.7	0.9428
100	375.2	0.9887
	371.9	0.9912
	212.0	0.9889
	1028.0	0.9926
160	2444.0	0.9739
	3058.6	0.9495
	200.7	0.8941
	981.3	0.9569
220	2501.4	0.9289
	3097.0	0.8719
	1021.8	0.9111
	2035.0	0.8990
280	2752.1	0.8282
	223.4	0.5606
	951.1	0.8256
	1515.3	0.8361
340	2188.4	0.7830
	400	0.4017
	297.2	0.4017
	989.9	0.6919
	1484.2	0.6956

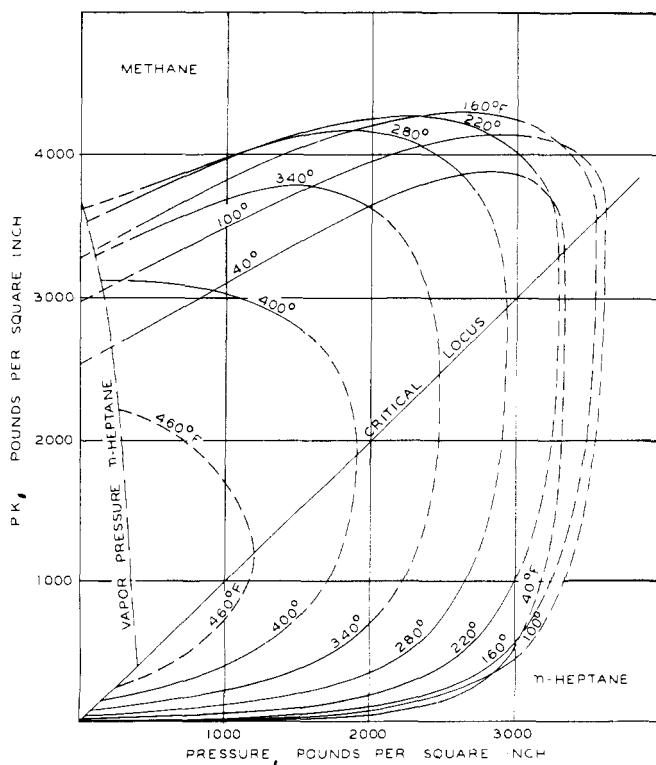


Figure 3. Equilibrium ratios for methane and n-heptane

The compositions of the coexisting liquid and gas phases were obtained from the experimentally measured composition of the gas phase (Table III) and the composition of the bubble-point states which were established from the volumetric data and which are shown in Figure 2. The properties of the bubble-point and dew-point states are recorded in Table IV for even values of pressure for each of the temperatures investigated. For the convenience of the reader, values of the equilibrium ratios for methane and n-heptane were included in Table IV. The critical volumes were obtained by extrapolation and involve much greater uncertainties than the other volumetric data. The product of the pressure and the equilibrium ratio is presented in Figure 3 as a function of pressure for both components of this binary system. The behavior was similar to that encountered with other binary systems containing methane (14, 17, 18).

Table V records a number of the properties at the unique states in the heterogeneous region. Pressure and temperature associated with the points of maximum pressure and temperature and the critical state are presented for a series of even-valued compositions. The information presented in Table V involves much larger uncertainties than that recorded in Tables II or IV since it resulted from interpolation of the volumetric and phase equilibrium data. Uncertainties in pressure may be as large as 5% and 30° F. in temperatures. The probable error is much smaller but cannot be established with certainty.

The compositions of the coexisting phases obtained from the measurements of Boomer and Johnson (3) have been compared with the present data in Table VI. The

TABLE IV. PROPERTIES OF THE COEXISTING GAS AND LIQUID PHASES

Pressure, Lb./Sq. Inch Absolute	Dew Point		Bubble Point		Equilibrium Ratio	
	Mole fraction methane	Volume, cu.ft./lb. mole ^b	Mole fraction methane	Volume, cu.ft./lb. mole	Methane	n-Heptane
40° F.						
0.325 ^a	0	-	0	2.302	-	1.0000
200	0.9964	26	0.0753	2.186	13.240	0.0039
400	0.9974	13	0.1445	2.083	6.900	0.0035
600	0.9971	8.1	0.2084	1.990	4.785	0.0037
800	0.9970	5.86	0.2670	1.902	3.734	0.0041
1000	0.9966	4.54	0.3215	1.819	3.100	0.0050
1250	0.9957	3.48	0.3840	1.723	2.593	0.0070
1500	0.9940	2.785	0.4410	1.640	2.254	0.0107
1750	0.9920	2.291	0.4930	1.569	2.012	0.0158
2000	0.9890	1.929	0.5425	1.501	1.823	0.0240
2250	0.9850	1.672	0.5900	1.440	1.670	0.0366
2500	0.9780	1.506	0.6373	1.375	1.535	0.0609
2750	0.9690	1.401	0.6870	1.315	1.410	0.0990
3000	0.9530	1.287	0.7400	1.254	1.288	0.1808
3328 ^c	0.894	1.182	0.894	1.182	1.000	1.0000
897 ^d	0.997	-	-	-		
3328 ^e	-	-	0.894	-		
100° F.						
1.58 ^a	0	-	0	2.397	-	1.0000
200	0.9866	29 ^b	0.0640	2.301	15.416	0.0143
400	0.9905	14	0.1240	2.212	7.988	0.0114
600	0.9911	9.3	0.1810	2.129	5.476	0.0111
800	0.9911	6.9	0.2340	2.048	4.235	0.0117
1000	0.9910	5.39	0.2842	1.972	3.487	0.0126
1250	0.9900	4.23	0.3425	1.884	2.891	0.0152
1500	0.9881	3.45	0.3963	1.802	2.493	0.0199
1750	0.9850	2.902	0.4470	1.725	2.204	0.0271
2000	0.9801	2.494	0.4950	1.658	1.980	0.0398
2250	0.9748	2.185	0.5435	1.591	1.794	0.0552
2500	0.9690	1.948	0.5905	1.525	1.641	0.0757
2750	0.9620	1.766	0.6400	1.459	1.503	0.1056
3000	0.9530	1.620	0.6910	1.400	1.379	0.1521
3500	0.9050	1.387	0.8030	1.312	1.127	0.4822
3609 ^c	0.8550	1.315	0.8550	1.315	1.000	1.0000
989 ^d	0.991	-	-	-		
3609 ^e	-	-	0.8550	-		
160° F.						
6.11 ^a	0	-	0	2.508	-	1.0000
200	0.9597	32	0.0565	2.423	16.986	0.0427
400	0.9733	16	0.1110	2.338	8.768	0.0300
600	0.9780	10	0.1623	2.263	6.026	0.0263
800	0.9798	7.7	0.2107	2.186	4.650	0.0256
1000	0.9804	6.1	0.2567	2.117	3.819	0.0264
1250	0.9795	4.84	0.3108	2.032	3.152	0.0297
1500	0.9770	3.98	0.3620	1.953	2.699	0.0360
1750	0.9742	3.37	0.4125	1.878	2.362	0.0439
2000	0.9705	2.915	0.4620	1.809	2.101	0.0548
2250	0.9656	2.560	0.5090	1.746	1.897	0.0701
2500	0.9590	2.276	0.5580	1.688	1.719	0.0928
2750	0.9490	2.043	0.6070	1.637	1.563	0.1298
3000	0.9360	1.850	0.6610	1.586	1.416	0.1888
3500	0.8595	1.546	0.7870	1.501	1.092	0.6596
3549 ^c	0.817	1.501	0.817	1.501	1.000	1.0000
1085 ^d	0.981	-	-	-		
3452 ^e	-	-	0.770	-		
220° F.						
17.48 ^a	0	-	0	2.644	-	1.0000
200	0.8942	35	0.0494	2.568	18.101	0.1113
400	0.9305	17	0.1003	2.484	9.277	0.0772
600	0.9449	11	0.1492	2.409	6.333	0.0648
800	0.9517	8.6	0.1960	2.338	4.856	0.0601
1000	0.9558	6.8	0.2410	2.267	3.966	0.0582
1250	0.9566	5.42	0.2940	2.183	3.254	0.0613
1500	0.9564	4.46	0.3450	2.101	2.772	0.0665
1750	0.9532	3.78	0.3957	2.024	2.409	0.0774
2000	0.9474	3.28	0.4457	1.954	2.126	0.0949
2250	0.9392	2.877	0.4944	1.891	1.900	0.1203
2500	0.9280	2.553	0.5450	1.834	1.703	0.1582

TABLE IV. PROPERTIES OF THE COEXISTING GAS AND LIQUID PHASES (Contd.)

Pressure, Lb./Sq. Inch Absolute	Dew Point		Bubble Point		Equilibrium Ratio	
	Mole fraction methane	Volume, cu.ft./lb. mole ^b	Mole fraction methane	Volume, cu.ft./lb. mole	Methane	n-Heptane
220° F. (Contd.)						
2750	0.9120	2.285	0.5995	1.784	1.521	0.2197
3000	0.8864	2.056	0.6615	1.746	1.340	0.3356
3298 ^c	0.778	1.766	0.778	1.766	1.000	1.0000
1182 ^d	0.958	-	-	-	-	-
2858 ^e	-	-	0.623	-	-	-
280° F.						
40.96 ^a	0	-	0	2.804	-	1.0000
200	0.7481	37	0.0405	2.735	18.472	0.2625
400	0.8628	19	0.0918	2.655	9.403	0.1511
600	0.8894	12	0.1390	2.584	6.399	0.1285
800	0.9037	9.2	0.1850	2.514	4.885	0.1182
1000	0.9100	7.3	0.2290	2.444	3.956	0.1167
1250	0.9120	5.72	0.2810	2.363	3.246	0.1224
1500	0.9107	4.69	0.3308	2.286	2.753	0.1334
1750	0.9073	3.96	0.3810	2.215	2.381	0.1498
2000	0.9000	3.40	0.4329	2.154	2.079	0.1763
2250	0.8900	2.972	0.4880	2.100	1.824	0.2148
2500	0.8660	2.621	0.5446	2.048	1.590	0.2942
2750	0.8280	2.330	0.6150	2.014	1.346	0.4468
2927 ^c	0.732	2.091	0.732	2.091	1.000	1.0000
1281 ^d	0.912	-	-	-	-	-
2146 ^e	-	-	0.464	-	-	-
340° F.						
83.2 ^a	0	-	0	3.01	-	1.0000
200	0.5100	38	0.0305	2.953	16.721	0.5107
400	0.7220	19	0.0840	2.866	8.595	0.3045
600	0.7750	13	0.1317	2.798	5.882	0.2591
800	0.8060	9.6	0.1786	2.734	4.513	0.2386
1000	0.8260	7.6	0.2240	2.672	3.688	0.2242
1250	0.8369	6.0	0.2780	2.598	3.010	0.2259
1500	0.8360	4.88	0.3316	2.529	2.521	0.2454
1750	0.8250	4.07	0.3850	2.465	2.143	0.2846
2000	0.8040	3.46	0.4431	2.400	1.814	0.3519
2250	0.7730	2.977	0.5165	2.346	1.497	0.4695
2469 ^c	0.6720	2.486	0.672	2.486	1.000	1.0000
1334 ^d	0.8380	-	-	-	-	-
1401 ^e	-	-	0.315	-	-	-
400° F.						
151.4 ^a	0	-	0	3.32	-	1.0000
200	0.2060	35 ^b	0.0132	3.29	15.606	0.8046
400	0.5223	19	0.0670	3.20	7.796	0.5120
600	0.6210	13	0.1200	3.12	5.175	0.4307
800	0.6700	9.7	0.1740	3.06	3.851	0.3995
1000	0.6930	7.7	0.2290	3.02	3.026	0.3982
1250	0.6990	6.0	0.2980	2.975	2.354	0.4282
1500	0.6940	4.90	0.3725	2.962	1.863	0.4876
1750	0.6690	4.05	0.4620	2.981	1.448	0.6152
1906 ^c	0.585	3.30	0.585	3.30	1.000	1.0000
1299 ^d	0.699	-	0.699	-	-	-
870 ^e	-	-	-	-	-	-
460° F.						
257.8 ^a	0	-	0	3.87	-	1.0000
400	0.2640	17 ^b	0.0485	3.78	5.443	0.7735
600	0.4199	12	0.1205	3.68	3.485	0.6595
800	0.4670	8.8	0.1918	3.62	2.435	0.6595
1000	0.4750	6.7	0.2730	3.61	1.703	0.7282
1206 ^c	0.441	4.50	0.441	4.50	1.000	1.0000
1025 ^d	0.475	-	0.475	-	-	-
517 ^e	-	-	-	-	-	-

^a Vapor pressure of n-heptane.^b Volumes at dew point calculated.^c Critical state.^d Maximum two-phase temperature for a fixed composition.^e Maximum two-phase pressure for a fixed composition.

TABLE V. PROPERTIES AT THE UNIQUE STATES IN THE METHANE-n-HEPTANE SYSTEM^a

Mole Fraction Methane	Critical		Maxcondentherm		Maximum Pressure	
	Pressure, lb./sq.inch	Temperature, ° F.	Pressure, lb./sq.inch	Temperature, ° F.	Pressure, lb./sq.inch	Temperature, ° F.
0.0	396.7 ^b	512.6 ^b	396.7	512.6	396.7	512.6
0.1	510	506	510	506	542	454
0.2	648	497	640	498	898	396
0.3	830	486	795	486	1351	344
0.4	1070	469	920	474	1840	304
0.5	1459	440	1068	454	2315	267
0.6	2000	391	1199	431	2757	229
0.7	2675	315	1300	399	3178	189
0.8	3474	184	1335	359	3540	146
0.9	3250	31	1300	292		
1.0	673 ^b	-116 ^b	673	-116	673	-116

^a These data are much more uncertain than the directly measured quantities.
^b Taken from Rossini (16).

presence of nitrogen in their mixtures would be expected to cause a marked difference, as was found. These data were corrected to a nitrogen-free basis by C. A. Johnson and are also included for comparison in Table VI. The agreement is materially improved.

The measurements of Boomer and Johnson were interpolated to even values of pressure and temperature in order to permit a direct comparison with the data of Table IV. A limited number of values of specific volume were reported (3) although Boomer and Johnson did not indicate that their volumetric measurements were obtained with accuracy. The volumetric data indicate a large, although not unexpected, difference between the earlier measurements (3) and those of the present investigation when nitrogen was involved. The single mixture from Boomer and Johnson's work (3), containing only 0.005 mole fraction

nitrogen, gave much better agreement of the volumetric data, as would be expected. No phase equilibrium data were obtained (3) for the mixture containing only traces of nitrogen. These measurements (3) were only obtained at a single temperature and therefore were not included in the comparison of Table VI.

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TABLE VI. COMPARISON OF PRESENT DATA WITH MEASUREMENTS OF OTHER INVESTIGATORS

Pressure Lb./Sq.Inch	Mole Fraction Methane					
	Authors	Gas Phase		Liquid Phase		
		Boomer ^a	Boomer ^b	Boomer ^a	Boomer ^b	Boomer ^b
100° F.						
1000		0.991	0.927	0.983	0.284	0.273
1500		0.988	0.923	0.985	0.396	0.368
2000		0.980	0.917	0.982	0.495	0.451
2500		0.969	0.909	0.967	0.590	0.532
3000		0.953	0.895	0.944	0.691	0.611
3500		0.905	0.815	0.907	0.803	0.700
160° F.						
1000		0.980	0.919	0.963	0.257	0.267
1500		0.977	0.915	0.962	0.362	0.349
2000		0.970	0.907	0.950	0.462	0.427
2500		0.959	0.894	0.920	0.558	0.506
3000		0.936	0.876	0.875	0.661	0.584
3500		0.860	0.791		0.787	0.690

^a Boomer's measurements (3) involved a system containing significant quantities of nitrogen.
^b Corrected by C. A. Johnson for the presence of nitrogen.

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Ethyl Alcohol-Water with 2,2,4-Trimethylpentane and with 1-Octene at 0° and 25° C.

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In exploring the use of ethyl alcohol as a gasoline additive for preventing carburetor icing, it was desirable to obtain information on the amount of alcohol that would be extracted from the gasoline by water layer always present in the bottoms of storage tanks. The distribution of ethyl alcohol between water and the pure hydrocarbons 2,2,4-trimethylpentane and 1-octene was determined at temperatures of 0° and 25° C.

EXPERIMENTAL MATERIALS AND METHODS

2,2,4-Trimethylpentane of certified knock-rating grade was fractionated in an efficient column and, in order to remove olefins, was filtered through a long tube packed with silica gel. Its density at 25° C. was 0.68774 gram per ml. The accepted value is 0.68777 (1).

1-Octene, Phillips pure grade specified as better than 99 mole % pure, was used without further treatment. Its density was 0.71078 gram per ml. at 25° C. The accepted value is 0.71085 (1).

The commercial absolute ethyl alcohol had a density of 0.78597 gram per ml. at 25° C., corresponding to a water content of 0.30% by weight (4). This water content was taken into account in calculating the composition of the solutions.

Distilled water was taken from the laboratory supply.

The experimental procedure was adapted mainly from that used by Washburn and coworkers in their study of alcohol-water-hydrocarbon systems (8). We obtained solubility data for the ethyl alcohol-water-benzene system, not included here, which were in good agreement with those found by Washburn.

Points on the binodal curves were determined by titrating a known mixture of two components with the third component until turbidity appeared or disappeared. The mixtures were made by volume with calibrated pipets and burets, and their composition was converted to weight percent by using the densities previously mentioned. Over most of the composition range, ethyl alcohol-hydrocarbon mixtures were titrated with water. At the lower end of the water-rich part of the binodal curve, better results were obtained by titrating ethyl alcohol into a two-phase mixture

of water and hydrocarbon until a homogeneous solution was obtained.

For the 25° C. isotherm, the end point was taken as that composition which would remain homogeneous in a bath maintained at 25.0°, but would become turbid when placed in a bath maintained at 24.8° C. The titrations at 0° C. were performed in small conical flasks supported in a bath of ice and water contained in a large unsilvered Dewar vessel. The solutions were stirred with a magnetic stirring apparatus, placed next to the Dewar vessel, with its rotating magnet in the same plane as the bottom of the titration flask which contained a small magnetized stirring bar. By this arrangement, enough power was transmitted to provide adequate stirring. The solution was observed

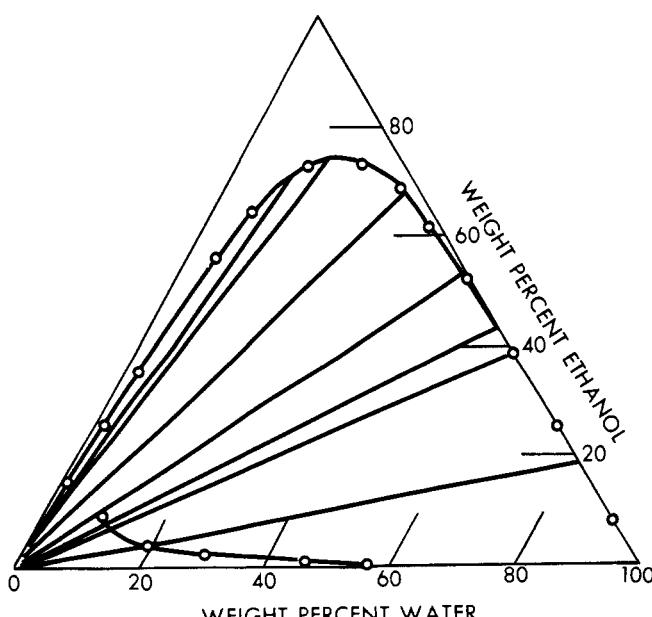


Figure 1. Triangular diagram for 2,2,4-trimethylpentane at 25° C.