

Subscripts

c	at CP
g	gaseous phase
l	liquid phase
R	reduced property
v	change upon vaporization
$\bar{\rho}$	rectilinear diameter line, $(\rho_l + \rho_g)/2$
σ	coexistence property
1	single-phase property
2	two-phase property

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Three-Phase Liquid-Liquid-Vapor Equilibria in the Methane + *n*-Pentane + *n*-Octane, Methane + *n*-Hexane + *n*-Octane, and Methane + *n*-Hexane + Carbon Dioxide Systems

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The phase behavior of three ternary systems (methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane, methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane, methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane) are presented for their region of L₁-L₂-V immiscibility. Liquid-phase compositions and molar volume data are presented as a function of temperature and pressure for the three-phase immiscibility region. The boundaries of the immiscibility regions are detailed. The methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane immiscibility is bounded by a locus of K points (L₁-L₂ = V), LCST points (L₁ = L₂-V), and Q points (S-L₁-L₂-V). The methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane immiscibility is bounded by a locus of K points, LCST points, and Q points and the L₁-L₂-V locus of the methane + *n*-hexane binary system. The methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane immiscibility is bounded by a locus of K points and LCST points and by the L₁-L₂-V locus of the methane + *n*-hexane binary system. The L₁-L₂-V locus of the methane + *n*-hexane binary system is also presented.

that the addition of these species could induce L₁-L₂-V behavior in systems in which such behavior is not normally observed.

The three-phase regions studied by Hottovy were bounded by loci of K points (L₁-L₂ = V), LCST points (L₁ = L₂-V), and Q points (S-L₁-L₂-V), with a tricritical point at the point where the K-point and LCST-point loci intersect. Creek et al. (3) describe tricritical phenomena in systems containing methane and higher paraffins.

This paper presents the results for three new ternary systems which exhibit a region of immiscibility. These systems are methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane, methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane, and methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane. The data presented herein include the compositions for the two liquid phases, and their molar volumes. The compositions and molar volumes for the bounding loci are also presented. The systems containing *n*-hexane are of great interest, because the methane + *n*-hexane binary forms its own L₁-L₂-V immiscibility locus. Data for the binary are presented and compared with earlier work by Lin et al. (4).

Experimental Section

This study employed apparatus previously used by Kohn and co-workers in other cryogenic studies (5). Earlier writings (1, 6) have detailed the experimental procedure for L₁-L₂-V studies. For brevity's sake, the procedure will be only quickly sketched here.

All the phenomena were observed in a glass cell marked and calibrated for visual inspection. Stoichiometric and volumetric measurements were used to compute the compositions and molar volumes of each phase. A platinum resistance thermometer was used to measure the temperature of the system. This thermometer was calibrated to the 1968 IPTS scale and

Introduction

We are midway through an extensive study of liquid-liquid-vapor phenomena in liquefied natural gas systems. Earlier papers by Hottovy et al. (1, 2) reported the phase behavior of the system methane + *n*-octane with the addition of a heavier solvent species. These heavier solvent species included ethane, propane, *n*-butane, and carbon dioxide. Hottovy showed

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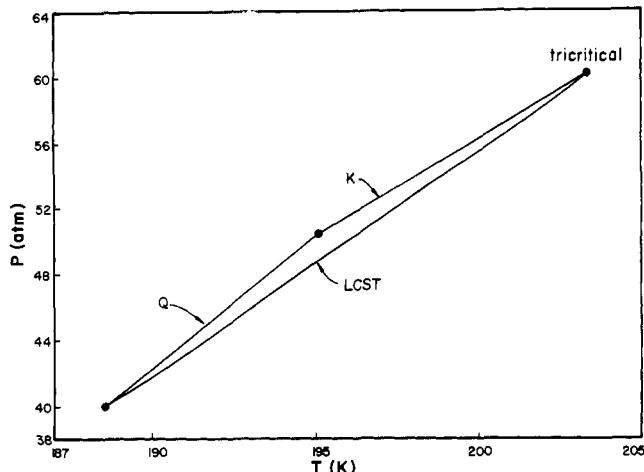


Figure 1. Boundaries of the L_1 - L_2 -V immiscibility region for the system methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane.

is estimated to be accurate to ± 0.03 K. The pressure of the system was measured with a Heise Bourdon tube gauge, which was accurate to ± 0.07 atm. The gauge was periodically checked against a dead-weight piston. The cell markings permitted the direct reading of the phase volumes to ± 0.02 cm^3 .

The gas phase was assumed to be essentially pure methane in the methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane and methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane systems, except at K points where the gas-phase compositions were calculated directly. This assumption was justified by the extremely low vapor-phase mole fractions of *n*-hexane and *n*-pentane in methane as reported in the literature (4, 10). The gas-phase composition for the methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane system was assumed to be composed of methane-carbon dioxide in their equilibrium ratio as reported by Mraw et al. (7). The compressibility of the gas phase was taken from NBS data for pure methane in the first two cases and was calculated by the Soave-Redlich-Kwong equation as modified by Graboski and Daubert (8, 9) for the last case. The small errors inherent in these assumptions were further reduced by minimizing the amount of gas phase in the cell at all times.

The methane used in this study was Linde "Ultra Pure" grade with a stated purity of 99.97 mol %. The *n*-hexane and *n*-octane were both products of the Humphrey Chemical Co. with a stated purity of 99 mol %. The carbon dioxide was Matheson "Coleman Grade" with a stated purity of 99.99 mol %. The *n*-pentane used in the study was produced by Phillips Petroleum Co. with a stated purity of 99 mol %. The methane, *n*-pentane, *n*-hexane, and *n*-octane were used without further purification. The carbon dioxide was prepared by flashing it from the supply cylinder at room temperature to a storage cylinder at 273.15 K. The vapor phase was then vented to remove impurities.

The error is estimated to be such that the liquid-phase volumes are accurate to at least ± 1.6 %; solute composition in the L_1 phase is reliable to ± 2 %, and in the L_2 phase to ± 8 %. The second solvent compositions (*n*-pentane, *n*-hexane, carbon dioxide) are adjudged to be accurate to ± 3.5 %. These are very conservative estimates based on the limitations enumerated above.

Experimental Results

The results for the methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane system are presented in Tables I and II, those for methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane in Tables III and IV, and those for methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane in Tables V and VI. The immiscibility regions in *P-T* space are illustrated in Figures 1-3, respectively. The first table for each system presents the

Table I. Raw Data for the *n*-Octane-Lean Liquid Phase L_2 of the System Methane + *n*-Pentane + *n*-Octane

temp, K	press., atm	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -pentane	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -octane	molar vol, mL/(g-mol)
$K (L_1 - L_2 = V)$				
196.95	52.60	0.0077	0.0018	83.6
196.97	52.60	0.0078	0.0019	87.2
197.73	53.08	0.0090	0.0027	87.6
200.61	57.05	0.01620	0.0011	86.8
200.71	57.08	0.01450	0.0019	70.1
$Q (S - L_1 - L_2 - V)$				
191.86	44.81	0.0236	0.0044	64.0
192.15	45.93	0.0192	0.0027	69.4
192.83	46.37	0.0179	0.0035	64.7
193.22	47.43	0.0151	0.0023	63.2
$L_1 - L_2 - V$				
190.00	41.93	0.0631	0.0091	59.6
192.00	44.93	0.0310	0.0045	66.7
192.00	45.05	0.0240	0.0075	65.4
192.00	45.21	0.0252	0.0048	67.4
194.00	47.84	0.0191	0.0066	65.6
194.00	47.94	0.0174	0.0052	65.9
194.00	48.01	0.0165	0.0050	66.7
194.00	48.51	0.0132	0.0033	63.8
194.00	48.58	0.0135	0.0029	67.4
194.00	48.65	0.0113	0.0026	65.7
194.00	48.72	0.0122	0.0034	69.4
196.00	50.69	0.0154	0.0056	70.7
196.00	50.89	0.0140	0.0043	75.3
196.00	51.23	0.0099	0.0028	70.5
196.00	51.37	0.0084	0.0022	71.9
196.00	51.44	0.0079	0.0020	71.4
198.00	53.14	0.0366	0.0020	63.6
198.00	53.28	0.0248	0.0014	69.9
198.00	53.47	0.0151	0.0009	80.3
200.00	55.75	0.0399	0.0020	61.2
200.00	55.81	0.0339	0.0020	64.1
200.00	55.89	0.0332	0.0013	62.7
200.00	55.96	0.0306	0.0016	68.0

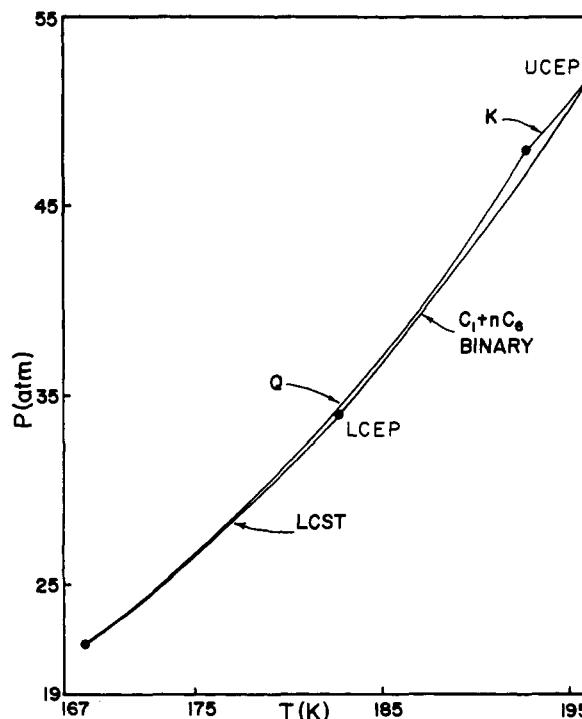


Figure 2. Immiscibility boundaries of the system methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane.

data for the L_2 phase (Tables I, III, and V), and the second gives the results for the L_1 phase (Tables II, IV, and VI). The

Table IV. Raw Data for the *n*-Octane-Rich Liquid Phase L₁ of the System Methane + *n*-Hexane + *n*-Octane

temp; K	press., atm	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -hexane	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -octane	molar vol, mL/(g-mol)	temp, K	press., atm	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -hexane	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -octane	molar vol, mL/(g-mol)
K (L₁-L₂ = V)									
193.06	48.21	0.2450	0.2008	94.5	182.00	33.25	0.2105	0.0184	63.6
193.35	48.49	0.2554	0.1446	84.2	182.00	33.37	0.2276	0.0434	68.8
193.56	49.00	0.2045	0.1387	73.4	184.00	33.44	0.2202	0.0171	66.5
193.76	49.06	0.2288	0.1297	77.2	184.00	35.54	0.2451	0.0333	70.4
194.24	49.53	0.2711	0.0201	71.8	184.00	35.68	0.2488	0.0465	72.7
194.86	50.24	0.2119	0.0390	56.7	184.00	35.69	0.2176	0.0125	64.2
195.02	50.31	0.2537	0.0103	64.9	184.00	35.75	0.2232	0.0113	65.5
Q (S-L₁-L₂-V)									
174.48	25.88	0.1819	0.0261	59.7	184.00	35.96	0.2415	0.0188	70.2
175.16	26.49	0.1752	0.0265	57.4	186.00	37.77	0.2232	0.0128	63.7
176.62	27.99	0.1997	0.0371	62.6	186.00	37.81	0.2022	0.0173	56.0
184.80	36.36	0.2467	0.0898	76.7	186.00	37.92	0.2392	0.0326	67.4
189.96	43.82	0.2042	0.1368	72.1	186.00	38.06	0.2375	0.0446	68.0
190.51	44.60	0.2126	0.1427	75.2	186.00	38.07	0.2256	0.0114	64.4
191.91	46.81	0.2206	0.1786	84.4	186.00	38.13	0.2380	0.0881	74.2
192.36	47.14	0.2333	0.1977	90.4	186.00	38.20	0.2379	0.0185	67.1
LCST (L₁ = L₂-V)									
174.69	26.23	0.1247	0.0097	56.7	188.00	40.25	0.2508	0.0184	57.8
174.84	26.17	0.1507	0.0087	56.41	188.00	40.32	0.2320	0.0202	64.1
175.94	27.25	0.1557	0.0121	58.3	188.00	40.38	0.2670	0.0359	74.1
177.14	28.39	0.0999	0.0056	55.05	188.00	40.44	0.2349	0.0441	66.4
177.81	28.88	0.1505	0.0087	56.9	188.00	40.52	0.2363	0.0237	64.9
178.29	29.48	0.1292	0.0063	56.4	188.00	40.52	0.2391	0.0186	65.8
178.43	29.62	0.1411	0.0068	57.1	188.00	40.65	0.2402	0.0263	66.1
179.02	29.16	0.1547	0.0089	57.5	188.00	40.72	0.2390	0.0220	65.5
binary LCST									
182.91	34.18	0.1592	0.0	59.8	188.00	40.75	0.2301	0.0132	63.4
L₁-L₂-V									
176.00	27.19	0.1587	0.0138	56.6	190.00	42.83	0.2354	0.0135	63.1
176.00	27.31	0.1944	0.0264	61.9	190.00	42.90	0.2431	0.0224	65.3
178.00	29.02	0.1491	0.0083	56.6	190.00	42.91	0.2384	0.0208	64.3
178.00	29.16	0.1757	0.0154	58.9	190.00	42.97	0.2437	0.0348	66.5
178.00	29.21	0.1959	0.0270	61.4	190.00	43.17	0.2433	0.0244	65.4
178.00	29.28	0.2014	0.0379	62.7	190.00	43.17	0.2445	0.0268	65.9
178.00	29.28	0.1555	0.0087	58.5	190.00	43.17	0.2451	0.0247	65.7
178.00	29.29	0.1777	0.0139	59.5	190.00	43.17	0.2376	0.0444	66.2
180.00	31.14	0.1881	0.0165	59.8	190.00	43.23	0.2271	0.0826	69.0
180.00	31.26	0.2040	0.0384	62.3	190.00	43.30	0.2318	0.0793	69.6
180.00	31.26	0.2053	0.0278	61.3	192.00	45.93	0.2754	0.0236	71.5
180.00	31.33	0.1770	0.0088	58.7	192.00	45.96	0.2605	0.0485	71.1
180.00	31.33	0.1902	0.0147	59.9	192.00	45.96	0.2685	0.0383	72.2
180.00	31.40	0.1821	0.0103	58.8	192.00	46.09	0.2793	0.0260	74.1
180.00	31.46	0.1861	0.0098	58.7	192.00	46.16	0.2898	0.1047	87.1
182.00	33.23	0.2277	0.0313	67.8	194.00	48.62	0.2634	0.0243	67.9
182.00	33.24	0.2033	0.0117	59.3	194.00	48.69	0.2593	0.0370	68.4
					194.00	48.81	0.2586	0.0221	65.7
					194.00	48.95	0.2452	0.0453	65.9
					194.00	49.05	0.2753	0.0224	70.1

data for the binary system methane + *n*-hexane are presented in Table VII.

The region of L₁-L₂ immiscibility for the methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane system (Figure 1) is quite similar to those reported in Hottovy's work. This region is three-sided, bounded by loci of K points (L₁-L₂ = V), LCST points (L₁ = L₂-V), and Q points (S-L₁-L₂-V). Hottovy noticed that the region of immiscibility shifts toward lower temperatures and pressures as the second solvent increases in molecular weight. This trend is confirmed by the methane + *n*-pentane + *n*-octane system, which lies closer to the pure-methane vapor-pressure curve than any other three-sided region of immiscibility.

This progression ceases when *n*-hexane is the second solvent. This occurs because the methane + *n*-hexane system forms a binary L₁-L₂-V immiscibility in the region of the methane + *n*-hexane + *n*-octane ternary immiscibility. This binary immiscibility "cuts through" the expected three-sided immiscibility region. The resultant four-sided figure is bounded by K points, Q points, LCST points, and the binary immiscibility. The ternary's loci of K points and LCST points intersect the binary locus at its upper and lower critical end points (UCEP, LCEP), respectively. The immiscibility region is very narrow in pres-

sure-temperature space, due to the similarity between *n*-hexane and *n*-octane. Indeed, this system might be considered to be mimicking the binary methane + *n*-hexane system (i.e., a quasi-binary in the spirit of Creek (3)).

The binary methane + *n*-hexane immiscibility similarly forms one side of the methane + carbon dioxide + *n*-hexane system's region of immiscibility. However, carbon dioxide extends the L₁-L₂-V region to higher temperatures rather than lower as was the case for *n*-octane. There is no Q-point locus for this system; the binary locus forms the lower bound. The K-point and LCST-point loci intersect the binary's UCEP and LCEP. These critical loci also intersect each other at a tricritical point.

Data for the methane + *n*-hexane binary in this temperature range have been previously reported by Lin et al. (4). The binary measurements were repeated in this laboratory to provide both internal consistency and a check on the reasonableness of our reported data. Our data compare favorably with those of Lin and are shown in Table VII. Lin reported the K-point and LCST-point existence at 195.91 K, 51.37 atm and 182.46 K, 33.70 atm, respectively. The K point and LCST point elucidated in this study occurred at 195.72 K, 51.33 atm and 182.73 K, 34.05 atm, respectively. The difference between

Table VII. Experimental Data for the Methane + *n*-Hexane Binary^a

temp, K	press., atm	mole fraction of <i>n</i> -hexane		molar vol, mL/(g-mol)	
		L ₁	L ₂	L ₁	L ₂
K (L ₁ -L ₂ =V)					
195.72	51.33	0.2323	0.0117	57.82	153.86
L ₁ -L ₂ -V					
194.00	48.67	0.2525	0.0179	63.89	67.36
192.00	45.81	0.2458	0.0286	64.09	63.65
190.00	43.08	0.2302	0.0353	62.56	60.24
188.00	40.51	0.2145	0.0434	60.91	58.84
186.00	37.98	0.1982	0.0566	59.99	61.10
184.00	35.61	0.1841	NA	61.13	NA
LCST (L ₁ =L ₂ -V)					
182.73	34.05	0.1479	0.1479	57.97	57.97

^a Each point given is average of several actual data points. NA = Not measured.

S solid phase

T temperature

V vapor phase

Registry No. Methane, 74-82-8; pentane, 109-66-0; octane, 111-65-9;

hexane, 110-54-3; carbon dioxide, 124-38-9.

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Isentropic Compressibility of an Ideal Ternary Solution

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An equation is given for the isentropic compressibility of an ideal ternary solution and is used to calculate excess isentropic compressibilities of *o*-xylene + acetone + benzene, *o*-xylene + acetone + cyclohexane, and *o*-xylene + acetone + carbon tetrachloride mixtures. The results of these calculations indicate that the three ternary mixtures do not exhibit the large deviations from ideality as had been suggested by the earlier calculations of Prasad and Prakash.

In several recent publications appearing in this journal (1-3), the excess isentropic compressibility K_s^{ex} of a liquid mixture was defined as the difference between the observed isentropic compressibility and that of an ideal solution K_s^{ideal} as in eq 1.

$$K_s^{\text{ex}} = K_s - K_s^{\text{ideal}} \quad (1)$$

The isentropic compressibility of the ideal solution was represented as the mole fraction average of the isentropic compressibilities of the pure liquids K_s° , (eq 2). While many

$$K_s^{\text{ideal}} = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i K_s^{\circ}, \quad (2)$$

thermodynamic and physical properties of an ideal solution are correctly described by mole fraction averages, the isentropic compressibility is not one of these properties.

The isentropic compressibility of any solution is related to the isothermal compressibility K_t by

$$K_s = K_t (C_v / C_p) \quad (3)$$

$$K_s = -(\partial \ln V / \partial P)_s \quad (4)$$

$$K_t = -(\partial \ln V / \partial P)_T \quad (5)$$

Table I. Excess Isentropic Compressibilities of Several Ternary Mixtures

X_2	X_3	$10^{12} K_s^{\text{ex}}$, cm ² dyn ⁻¹	K_s^{ex}	
			eq 1 and 2	eq 1 and 9
<i>o</i> -Xylene + Acetone + Benzene				
0.00	0.60	64.22	-0.59	-0.76
0.10	0.50	65.24	-1.73	-1.02
0.20	0.40	66.33	-2.80	-1.55
0.30	0.30	67.66	-3.63	-1.90
0.40	0.20	69.44	-4.01	-1.84
0.50	0.10	71.15	-4.46	-1.91
0.60	0.00	73.55	-4.22	-1.35
0.50	0.50	74.92	-2.61	-1.60
<i>o</i> -Xylene + Acetone + Cyclohexane				
0.00	0.60	72.04	-1.86	-1.72
0.10	0.50	72.69	-1.85	-1.22
0.20	0.40	73.02	-2.17	-1.09
0.30	0.30	73.30	-2.54	-0.98
0.40	0.20	73.45	-3.03	-1.44
0.50	0.10	73.53	-3.60	-1.14
0.60	0.00	73.55	-4.22	-1.35
0.50	0.50	86.68	+1.58	+2.26
<i>o</i> -Xylene + Acetone + Carbon Tetrachloride				
0.00	0.60	67.11	-1.65	-1.59
0.10	0.50	67.59	-2.67	-2.01
0.20	0.40	68.19	-3.57	-2.41
0.30	0.30	69.24	-4.03	-2.36
0.40	0.20	70.68	-4.09	-1.92
0.50	0.10	72.07	-4.20	-1.80
0.60	0.00	73.55	-4.22	-1.35
0.50	0.50	78.30	-2.52	-1.50

the ratio of heat capacities at constant volume and pressure, which are themselves related through

$$C_p - C_v = \alpha^2 VT / K_t \quad (6)$$

the coefficient of thermal expansion ($\alpha = (\partial \ln V / \partial T)_P$). The isothermal compressibility of an ideal solution can easily be