ments on carbon dioxide and ethane by Reamer et al. (5, 6). Over most of the region, agreement between the two sets of data is very close.

## Nomenclature

- B, C = second and third virial refractivity coefficients, respectively
  - $\rho = \text{density}, q/cc$
  - M = molecular weight
  - n = refractive index at 6328Å relative to vacuum
- $R_{LL}$  = Lorentz-Lorenz molar refractivity, cc/g-mol
- $R_{LL}^{0}$  = zero density limit of the molar refractivity at 6328Å
  - V = molar volume, cc/g-mol

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# Vapor Pressure of α-Samarium and α-Ytterbium

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The torsion-effusion method was used to determine the vapor pressure of  $\alpha$ -samarium and  $\alpha$ -ytterbium in the temperature range 1043-1179K and 775-907K, respectively. The proposed heat of sublimation at 298K, obtained as an estimated average between our secondand third-law values, was 49.56  $\pm$  0.50 and 37.20  $\pm$ 0.40 kcal/mol/for  $\alpha$ -samarium and  $\alpha$ -ytterbium. respectively.

Few data on the vapor pressure of  $\alpha$ -samarium and  $\alpha$ vtterbium are reported in the literature (3, 4, 6, 9, 10). A new series of tensimetric data, obtained by the Knudsen torsion-effusion method, is given in this paper. The basis of the method and the experimental apparatus have been described elsewhere (7, 8). Vapor pressures were calculated from the torsion-effusion data by means of the equation

$$P = 2 K\beta / (a_1 d_1 f_1 + a_2 d_2 f_2)$$
(1)

where P is the pressure;  $\beta$  the deflection; K the torsion constant of the suspension;  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $d_1$ , and  $d_2$  the orifice area and distances from the axis of rotation; and  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ the Freeman and Searcy (1) correction factor for orifice geometry.

The metals were vaporized from tantalum cells placed in the constant-temperature zone of the furnace. The samarium and ytterbium samples were from Koch-Light Lab certified to be at least 99% pure with respect to total impurities. The loading of the cell was carried out with samples ( $\sim$ 1 gram) mechanically cleaned and reduced to small pieces ( $\sim$ 2 mm) to increase the evaporating surface. Loading in inert atmosphere was not necessary (4). An ambient vacuum less than  $10^{-5}$  mm Hg was maintained during the runs. The temperature of the operating cell was taken to be the temperature determined by a calibrated iron-constantan thermocouple placed inside an identical but empty cell located directly beneath the operating cell. This procedure was tested putting a second thermocouple in the operating cell and measuring the differences in emf values. All the temperature uncertainties were estimated to be  $\pm 2^{\circ}$ C at about 1200K. The effusion cell was suspended on a  $30-\mu$  diam

tungsten wire, 33.0 cm long, with a torsion constant of  $0.358 \pm 0.004$  dyn cm/rad. The details of the effusion cells are given as a footnote in Table I.

The vapor pressures of  $\alpha$ -samarium and  $\alpha$ -ytterbium, determined in the temperature range 1043-1179K and 775-907K, respectively, are reported in Table I, considering the vapor constituted by a monoatomic species only (10). The corresponding values of  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  (subl) of both elements, calculated using the free energy function,  $(G_T^{\circ} - H_{298}^{\circ})/T$ , (fef), selected by Hultgren et al. (5), are reported in the same table. The average third-law  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  (subl) values for Sm and Yb are 49.60  $\pm$  0.20 and 37.01 + 0.11 kcal/mol, respectively, where the associated errors are standard deviations. The leastsquares lines through the pressure data over the experimental temperature range are given by the equations:

$$\log P (atm) =$$

$$5.33 \pm 0.19 - \frac{(10.39 \mp 0.21) \times 10^3}{T}$$
, samarium (2)

 $\log P (atm) =$ 

$$5.61 \pm 0.17 - \frac{(7.97 \mp 0.14) \times 10^3}{7}$$
, ytterbium (3)

The lines are drawn in Figure 1 and the relative slopes give the sublimation enthalpy values,  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  (Sm) =



Figure 1. Vapor pressure of solid samarium and ytterbium

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Fable I. Vapor Pressure and $\Delta {m  extsf{H}}_{298}$	° (subl)	Values for	Samarium	and Ytterbium <sup>o</sup>
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Т, К	P, atm	$-\Delta$ [fef], e.u.	$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$ , kcal/mol	Т, К	P, atm	$-\Delta$ [fef], e.u.	$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$ , kcal/mol
Samarium			Ytterbium				
Cell A				Cell A			
1076	$5.22 \times 10^{-5}$	26.34	49.42	791	$3.85 \times 10^{-5}$	26.39	36.85
1098	8.10 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	26.31	49.44	807	$5.66 \times 10^{-5}$	26.36	36.96
1103	9.21 × 10 <sup>−5</sup>	26.30	49.38	810	6.15 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	26.36	36.96
1113	1.11 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.28	49.39	810	$5.94 \times 10^{-5}$	26.36	37.01
1121	$1.03 \times 10^{-4}$	26.27	49.91	815	$6.51 \times 10^{-5}$	26.35	37.09
1130	1.57 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.26	49.34	827	1.04 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.34	36.85
1131	$1.66 \times 10^{-4}$	26.25	49.25	831	1.01 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.33	37.07
1141	$1.93 \times 10^{-4}$	26.24	49.34	836	1.23 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.32	36.97
1153	1.91 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.22	49.85	846	1.58 × 10 <sup>−4</sup>	26.30	36.96
1153	$1.90 \times 10^{-4}$	26.22	49.86	851	1.73 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.30	37.02
1154	$1.94 \times 10^{-4}$	26.22	49.86	853	1.99 × 10 <sup>−4</sup>	26.29	36.87
1154	2.21 × 10 <sup>−4</sup>	25.22	49.56	857	2.06 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.29	36.99
1159	$2.23 \times 10^{-4}$	26.21	49.74	858	2.19 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.29	36.93
1160	2.76 × 10 <sup>−4</sup>	26.21	49.28	860	2.16 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.28	37.02
1170	$2.79 \times 10^{-4}$	26.19	49.67	860	$2.22 \times 10^{-4}$	26.28	36.98
1171	$2.83 \times 10^{-4}$	26.19	49.68	874	$3.01 \times 10^{-4}$	26.20	37.03
				875	$3.02 \times 10^{-4}$	26.26	37.07
				877	$3.03 \times 10^{-4}$	26.25	36.99
				885	$3.55 \times 10^{-4}$	26.24	37.19
				885	$3.43 \times 10^{-4}$	26.24	37.25
				889	$4.15 \times 10^{-4}$	26.24	37.08
				905	$6.42 \times 10^{-4}$	26.21	36.93
				907	$6.44 \times 10^{-4}$	26.21	37.01
Cell B				Cell B			
1043	$2.18 \times 10^{-5}$	26.39	49.77	775	$2.08 \times 10^{-5}$	26.42	37.08
1050	$3.01 \times 10^{-5}$	26.38	49.43	789	$2.93 \times 10^{-5}$	26.40	37.19
1057	$3.15 \times 10^{-5}$	26.37	49.65	798	$3.65 \times 10^{-5}$	26.38	37.25
1063	$3.15 \times 10^{-5}$	26.36	49.92	799	$3.86 \times 10^{-5}$	26.38	37.21
1077	$4.66 \times 10^{-5}$	26.34	49.72	801	$3.94 \times 10^{-5}$	26.38	37.27
1081	5.01 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	26.33	49.73	829	$1.15 \times 10^{-4}$	26.33	36.78
1085	$5.96 \times 10^{-5}$	26.33	49.55	839	$1.44 \times 10^{-4}$	26.32	36.83
1086	$5.81 \times 10^{-5}$	26.33	49.64	839	1.39 × 10 <sup>-₄</sup>	26.32	36.89
1092	$6.52 \times 10^{-5}$	26.31	49.64	848	1.75 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.30	36.88
1109	9.81 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	26.29	49.49	863	2.51 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.28	36.90
1111	$9.65 \times 10^{-5}$	26.29	49.62	863	$2.48 \times 10^{-4}$	26.28	36.91
1114	$9.65 \times 10^{-5}$	26.28	49.74	879	$2.98 \times 10^{-4}$	26.25	37.21
1120	$1.07 \times 10^{-4}$	26.27	49.78				
1120	1.22 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.27	49.48				
1123	$1.22 \times 10^{-4}$	26.27	49.62				
1137	1.77 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	26.24	49.36				
1179	$3.33 \times 10^{-4}$	26.18	49.63				

Av value 49.60 ± 0.20

Av value 37.01 ± 0.11

<sup>a</sup> Physical constants of the cells: A, effusion holes area (cm<sup>2</sup> × 10<sup>-3</sup>): 13.2 and 12.3; moment arm (cm): 1.05 and 1.04; correction factor: 0.646 and 0.651. B, effusion holes area  $(cm^2 \times 10^{-3})$ : 14.3 and 13.5; moment arm (cm): 1.06 and 1.07; correction factor: 0.631 and 0.643.

49.49  $\pm$  0.96 kcal/mol and  $\Delta {H_{298}}^\circ$  (Yb) = 37.62  $\pm$  0.66 kcal/mol, corrected to 298K using the heat content reported in literature (5).

The estimated average values between our secondand third-law values,  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  = 49.56 ± 0.50 kcal/mol for Sm and  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  = 37.20 ± 0.40 kcal/mol for Yb, are proposed considering more reliable the third-law value. A comparison with the selected values by Hultgren et al. (5),  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} = 49.400 \pm 0.500$  kcal/mol and  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} =$  $36.350 \pm 0.200$  kcal/mol shows a good agreement especially for samarium. As concerns ytterbium, we believe that the selected value is slightly low; this seems supported by the comparison with the recent mass spectrometric value  $\Delta H_{298}^{\circ}$  = 36.9 ± 0.7 kcal/mol deduced from  $\Delta H_0^{\circ} = 37.0 \pm 0.7$  kcal/mol, reported by Guido and Balducci (2).

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