

# Densities, Refractive Indices, Speeds of Sound, and Isentropic Compressibilities of Water + Methanol + 2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane at 298.15 K

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The densities, refractive indices, and speeds of sound of homogeneous mixtures of water + methanol + 2-methoxy-2-methylbutane at 298.15 K were determined and used to calculate excess molar volumes ( $V^E$ ), molar refractions ( $R$ ), and isentropic compressibilities ( $k_S$ ). The  $V^E$  data and the deviations of  $R(\Delta R)$  and  $k_S(\Delta k_S)$  from mole fraction and volume fraction averages, respectively, of these properties of the pure components, were satisfactorily correlated with the composition data using the Redlich–Kister polynomial.

## Introduction

Due to the importance of 2-methoxy-2-methylbutane (TAME or *tert*-amyl methyl ether) as a gasoline additive, recent years have seen a considerable increase in the amount of published work involving this ether. Nevertheless, while selected physical properties of the binary system TAME + methanol are available in the literature (Cervenková and Boublik, 1984), we found no such data for the ternary system water + methanol + TAME. To redress this, we now report densities ( $\rho$ ), refractive indices ( $n_D$ ), speeds of sound ( $u$ ), and isentropic compressibilities ( $k_S$ ) for the range of homogeneous mixtures of water + methanol + 2-methoxy-2-methylbutane, for which LLE data were obtained previously (Arce *et al.*, 1994). In addition, the corresponding excess molar volumes ( $V^E$ ) and deviations of molar refractions ( $\Delta R$ ) and isentropic compressibilities ( $\Delta k_S$ ) from mole fraction and volume fraction averages, respectively, of these properties of the pure components were correlated with the composition data using the Redlich–Kister polynomial.

## Experimental Section

**Materials.** Water was purified using a Milli-Q Plus system. Methanol was supplied by Merck and had a nominal purity >99.7 mass %. 2-Methoxy-2-methylbutane (TAME) was supplied by Fluka Chemika with nominal purity >98.9 mass %. Water contents of the methanol and TAME were 0.03 and 0.02 mass %, respectively (determined with a Metrohm 737 KF coulometer).

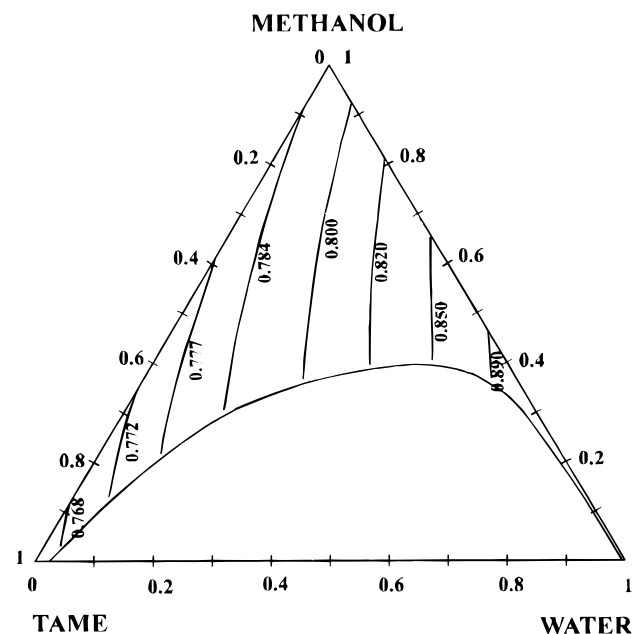
**Apparatus and Procedure.** The mixtures were prepared by mass using a Mettler AE 240 balance that measured to within  $\pm 0.00001$  g. Their densities and the speed of sound in them were measured to within  $\pm 0.0001$  g·cm<sup>-3</sup> and  $\pm 1$  m·s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, in an Anton Paar DSA-48 densimeter and sound analyzer calibrated with air and water (calibration values taken from Riddick *et al.*, 1986). Refractive indices were measured to within  $\pm 0.0001$  in an ATAGO RX-1000 refractometer. A Hetero therm thermostat was used to maintain the temperature at  $(298.15 \pm 0.02)$  K.

Table 1 lists the densities and refractive indices measured for the pure components, together with published values for these parameters (Riddick *et al.*, 1986; Cervenková and Boublik, 1984).

**Table 1. Densities  $\rho$  and Refractive Indices  $n_D$  of the Pure Components at 298.15 K**

component	$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$		$n_D$	
	exptl	lit	exptl	lit
methanol	0.7866	0.786 64 <sup>b</sup>	1.3264	1.326 52 <sup>b</sup>
TAME <sup>a</sup>	0.7705	0.770 74 <sup>c</sup>	1.3884	1.388 48 <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup> At 293.15. <sup>b</sup> Riddick *et al.*, 1986. <sup>c</sup> Cervenková and Boublik, 1984.



**Figure 1.** Density ( $\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ ) isolines for water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K and atmospheric pressure (system compositions in mole fractions).

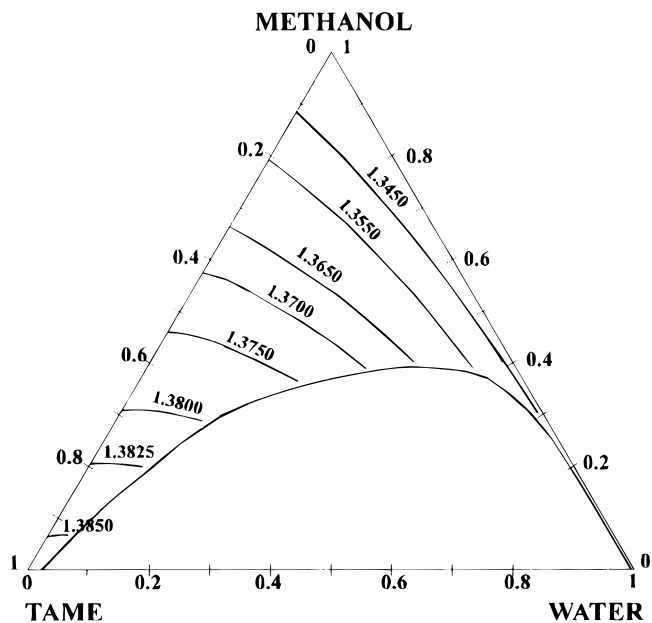
## Results and Discussion

For single phase mixtures of water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K, and also for binary mixtures of methanol + TAME, Table 2 lists the measured densities and refractive indices, together with excess molar volumes calculated using the expression

$$V^E = V - \sum_i x_i V_i \quad (1)$$

**Table 2. Densities  $\rho$ , Speeds of sound  $u$ , Isentropic Compressibilities  $k_S$ , Refractive Indices  $n_D$ , Excess Molar Volumes  $V^E$ , and Deviations  $\Delta k_S$  and  $\Delta R$  for Mixtures of Water (1) + Methanol (2) + TAME (3) at 298.15 K**

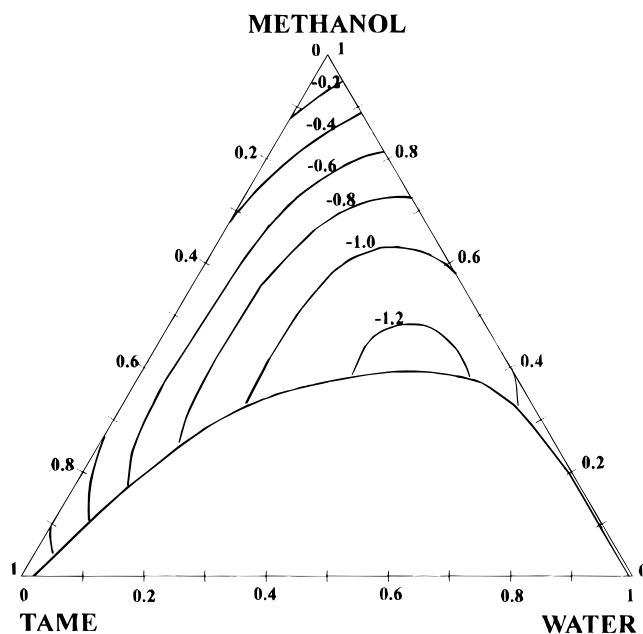
$x_1$	$x_2$	$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	$u/\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$	$k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	$n_D$	$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	$\Delta R/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	$u/\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$	$k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	$n_D$	$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	$\Delta R/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
0.0000	1.0000	0.7866	1102	1047	1.3264	0.000	0	0.000	0.1772	0.7147	0.8079	1184	884	1.3505	-0.772	-121	-0.023
0.0000	0.9505	0.7850	1106	1041	1.3354	-0.084	-7	-0.004	0.1576	0.6357	0.7988	1168	918	1.3606	-0.833	-99	-0.029
0.0000	0.9004	0.7836	1110	1036	1.3429	-0.162	-12	-0.008	0.1394	0.5622	0.7923	1156	944	1.3671	-0.847	-81	-0.032
0.0000	0.8468	0.7822	1113	1032	1.3495	-0.235	-17	-0.011	0.1202	0.4849	0.7867	1147	966	1.3722	-0.827	-66	-0.031
0.0000	0.8004	0.7810	1115	1029	1.3543	-0.290	-20	-0.014	0.0991	0.3995	0.7817	1140	984	1.3764	-0.771	-53	-0.023
0.0000	0.7427	0.7797	1117	1027	1.3594	-0.348	-22	-0.016	0.0789	0.3181	0.7778	1135	999	1.3796	-0.688	-42	-0.013
0.0000	0.6979	0.7787	1119	1026	1.3627	-0.384	-23	-0.018	0.0592	0.2388	0.7744	1130	1012	1.3820	-0.578	-32	-0.001
0.0000	0.6456	0.7776	1120	1026	1.3661	-0.418	-23	-0.020	0.0409	0.1650	0.7716	1125	1024	1.3837	-0.445	-22	0.008
0.0000	0.6034	0.7767	1120	1026	1.3685	-0.438	-24	-0.021	0.0211	0.0853	0.7687	1120	1037	1.3850	-0.259	-12	0.011
0.0000	0.5508	0.7757	1121	1026	1.3712	-0.455	-24	-0.021	0.3006	0.6994	0.8412	1271	736	1.3357	-0.845	-212	-0.020
0.0000	0.5056	0.7748	1122	1026	1.3732	-0.463	-24	-0.021	0.2691	0.6262	0.8216	1222	815	1.3532	-0.998	-166	-0.031
0.0000	0.4559	0.7739	1122	1026	1.3752	-0.465	-23	-0.021	0.2415	0.5619	0.8093	1195	865	1.3625	-1.040	-133	-0.035
0.0000	0.4055	0.7730	1122	1027	1.3770	-0.459	-23	-0.021	0.2189	0.5094	0.8015	1178	899	1.3678	-1.035	-110	-0.036
0.0000	0.3553	0.7721	1122	1028	1.3786	-0.444	-22	-0.020	0.1788	0.4160	0.7910	1158	943	1.3744	-0.972	-80	-0.031
0.0000	0.3144	0.7714	1122	1029	1.3798	-0.427	-21	-0.018	0.1511	0.3516	0.7854	1149	965	1.3777	-0.898	-65	-0.025
0.0000	0.2538	0.7704	1122	1032	1.3813	-0.388	-18	-0.016	0.1187	0.2761	0.7800	1140	986	1.3806	-0.784	-50	-0.017
0.0000	0.2054	0.7696	1121	1034	1.3824	-0.346	-16	-0.014	0.0896	0.2084	0.7760	1133	1004	1.3825	-0.650	-37	-0.010
0.0000	0.1576	0.7687	1120	1037	1.3834	-0.293	-13	-0.011	0.0634	0.1474	0.7727	1128	1018	1.3839	-0.499	-26	-0.005
0.0000	0.1126	0.7679	1119	1041	1.3842	-0.230	-10	-0.009	0.0327	0.0760	0.7692	1121	1034	1.3850	-0.280	-13	0.001
0.0000	0.0591	0.7669	1117	1045	1.3850	-0.135	-6	-0.005	0.4024	0.5976	0.8617	1336	651	1.3380	-0.980	-255	-0.023
0.0000	0.0000	0.7657	1115	1051	1.3858	0.000	0	0.000	0.3719	0.5523	0.8411	1274	732	1.3523	-1.119	-211	-0.028
0.1011	0.8989	0.8042	1155	932	1.3297	-0.364	-84	-0.009	0.3371	0.5006	0.8240	1229	803	1.3622	-1.178	-168	-0.033
0.0956	0.8504	0.7997	1151	944	1.3396	-0.447	-78	-0.014	0.2779	0.4128	0.8043	1184	887	1.3719	-1.141	-113	-0.038
0.0809	0.7197	0.7905	1144	967	1.3572	-0.592	-65	-0.021	0.2449	0.3637	0.7966	1168	920	1.3754	-1.088	-91	-0.038
0.0710	0.6313	0.7858	1138	983	1.3649	-0.639	-54	-0.023	0.4968	0.5032	0.8814	1398	580	1.3399	-1.028	-281	-0.024
0.0606	0.5386	0.7817	1134	995	1.3708	-0.652	-46	-0.022	0.4738	0.4799	0.8644	1340	644	1.3497	-1.153	-251	-0.034
0.0510	0.4537	0.7786	1132	1003	1.3749	-0.636	-40	-0.020	0.4462	0.4520	0.8477	1285	715	1.3578	-1.221	-211	-0.040
0.0411	0.3659	0.7757	1129	1011	1.3782	-0.591	-34	-0.016	0.4246	0.4301	0.8367	1253	761	1.3625	-1.222	-182	-0.039
0.0311	0.2769	0.7731	1127	1019	1.3809	-0.514	-27	-0.011	0.5929	0.4071	0.9020	1461	519	1.3411	-0.994	-290	-0.023
0.0218	0.1936	0.7709	1123	1028	1.3828	-0.409	-20	-0.007	0.5786	0.3973	0.8902	1418	558	1.3469	-1.080	-277	-0.032
0.0125	0.1113	0.7687	1120	1037	1.3843	-0.268	-12	-0.004	0.5624	0.3861	0.8789	1368	608	1.3523	-1.170	-252	-0.042
0.1987	0.8013	0.8218	1210	831	1.3328	-0.635	-153	-0.015									

**Figure 2.** Refractive index isolines for water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K and atmospheric pressure (system compositions in mole fractions).

where  $V$  is the molar volume of the mixture and  $V_i$  and  $x_i$  are the molar volume and mole fraction, respectively, of component  $i$ . From  $V$  and the refractive indices, the molar refraction,  $R$ , was obtained using the Lorentz–Lorenz equation, and the deviation in  $R$  (Table 2) was calculated as

$$\Delta R = R - \sum_i x_i R_i \quad (2)$$

where  $R$  is the molar refraction of the mixture and  $R_i$  is the molar refraction of component  $i$ . All these data for

**Figure 3.** Excess molar volume ( $\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ) isolines for water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K and atmospheric pressure (system compositions in mole fractions).

binary water + methanol mixtures have already been published (Arce *et al.*, 1993).

Also included in Table 2 are the speeds of sound in the ternary and the TAME + methanol mixtures; these values, together with the corresponding densities, were used to calculate isentropic compressibilities using the equation

$$k_S = u^{-2} \rho^{-1} \quad (3)$$

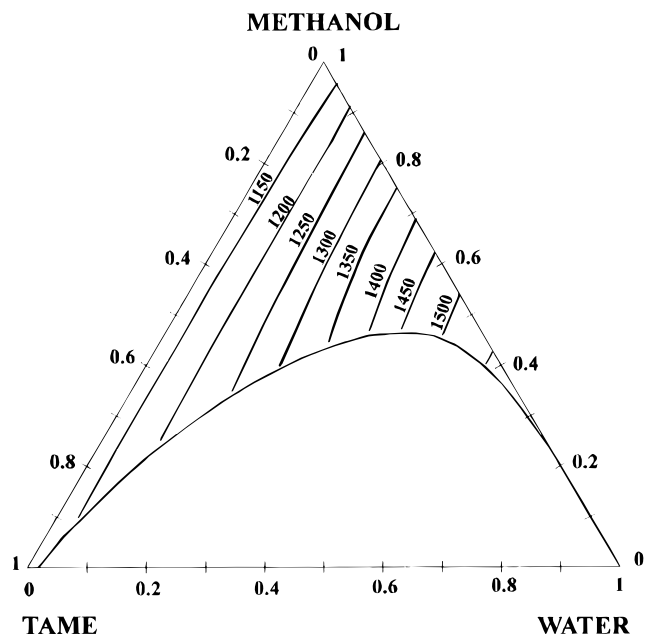
The deviations in isentropic compressibility (Table 2) were then obtained using the expression

**Table 3. Polynomial Coefficients ( $A_k$ ) and Standard Deviations ( $\sigma$ ) Obtained for the Fits of Equation 6 to the  $V^E$ ,  $\Delta R$ , and  $\Delta k_S$  Composition data for the Binary Systems (for  $\Delta k_S$ , System Compositions Were in Volume Fractions,  $\phi_i$ )**

property	$A_0$	$A_1$	$A_2$	$A_3$	$A_4$	$\sigma$
Water (1) + Methanol (2)						
$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-4.1148	-0.1325	0.5078	0.6222		0.001
$\Delta R/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-0.0952					0.001
$\Delta k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	-1113.1	416.4	-228.7	239.9		0.30
TAME (1) + methanol (2)						
$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-1.8559	-0.1787	-0.3252	-0.2319		0.001
$\Delta R/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-0.0857					0.001
$\Delta k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	-84.6	-52.6		-62.4	-128.4	0.20

**Table 4. Polynomial Coefficients and Standard Deviations ( $\sigma$ ) Obtained for Fits of Equation 7 to the  $V^E$ ,  $\Delta R$ , and  $\Delta k_S$  Composition Data for the Ternary System Water (1) + Methanol (2) + TAME (3) (for  $\Delta k_S$ , System Compositions Were in Volume Fractions,  $\phi_i$ )**

property	$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$	$E$	$F$	$G$	$\sigma$
$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-14.465	-11.318	-7.890	3.428	-6.325	-12.899	-6.510	0.009
$\Delta R/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-0.452	-0.374	0.414	0.788				0.003
$\Delta k_S/\text{TPa}^{-1}$	-1726.0	1993.5	-76.1	-2069.6	1098.6	-2752.8	-4932.0	2.00

**Figure 4.** Speed of sound ( $\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ ) isolines for water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K and atmospheric pressure (system compositions in volume fractions).

$$\Delta k_S = k_S - \sum_i \phi_i k_{S_i} \quad (4)$$

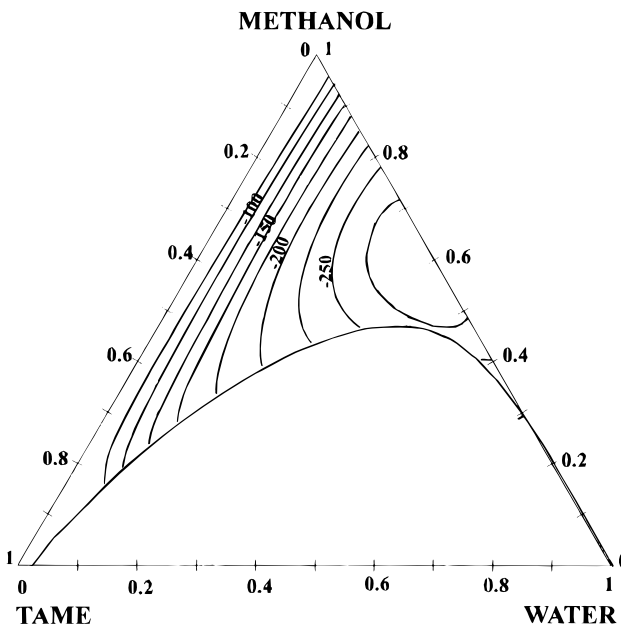
where  $k_S$  and  $k_{S_i}$  are the isentropic compressibilities of the mixture and component  $i$ , respectively, and  $\phi_i$  is the volume fraction of component  $i$  in the mixture as given by

$$\phi_i = x_i V_i / \sum_j x_j V_j \quad (5)$$

where  $j$  refers to all the components of the mixture.

For the ternary system, Figures 1–3 show the density, refractive index, and excess volume isolines, respectively (system compositions in mole fractions,  $x_i$ ), and Figures 4 and 5 show the isolines for the speeds of sound and the deviations in isentropic compressibility, respectively (system compositions in volume fraction,  $\phi_i$ ).

For the entire range of homogeneous mixtures, the excess molar volume ( $V^E$ ) has relatively large, negative values, the minimum lying around  $-1.2 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ . Generally, the deviation in molar refraction ( $\Delta R$ ) is small and negative, except for compositions rich in TAME that lie close to the binodal curve, for which it has small, positive values. The

**Figure 5.** Isentropic compressibility deviation ( $\text{TPa}^{-1}$ ) isolines for water + methanol + TAME at 298.15 K and atmospheric pressure (system compositions in volume fractions).

deviation in isentropic compressibility ( $\Delta k_S$ ) is always negative and has larger values for mixtures poor in TAME.

The  $V^E$ ,  $\Delta R$ , and  $\Delta k_S$  data were correlated with the composition data by means of the Redlich–Kister polynomial (Redlich–Kister, 1948), which for binary mixtures is

$$Q_{ij} = x_i x_j \sum_k A_k (x_i - x_j)^k \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (6)$$

where  $Q_{ij}$  is  $V^E$  or  $\Delta R$  and  $x_i$  is the mole fraction of component  $i$ , or  $Q_{ij}$  is  $\Delta k_S$  and  $x_i$  is the volume fraction of component  $i$ , and  $k$  is the number of the polynomial coefficient. For ternary systems the corresponding equation is

$$Q_{123} = Q_{12} + Q_{32} + Q_{31} + x_1 x_2 x_3 (A + B(x_1 - x_2) + C(x_3 - x_2) + D(x_3 - x_1) + E(x_1 - x_2)^2 + F(x_3 - x_2)^2 + G(x_3 - x_1)^2) \quad (7)$$

where  $x_i$  is the mole or volume fraction, depending on the parameter being correlated, as previously indicated.

Equations 6 and 7 were fitted to the appropriate parameter–composition data for the binary and ternary systems

by least-squares regression, applying Fisher's *F*-test to establish the number of coefficients. These coefficients and their mean standard deviations are listed in Table 3 for the binary systems, and in Table 4 for the ternary system. In all cases, the Redlich–Kister polynomial allowed satisfactory correlation of the data.

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