# Infinite Dilution Binary Diffusion Coefficients of C<sub>5</sub>-Monoalcohols in Water in the Temperature Range from 273.2 K to 353.2 K at 0.1 MPa

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#### Introduction

Binary diffusion coefficients  $D_{12}$  for alcohols in water are of importance in the design of chemical reactors for aqueous systems, but accurate  $D_{12}$  data are limited. Alcohols and water show strong interactions such as hydrogen bonding, and the accurate prediction of the  $D_{12}$  values is difficult.

Recently, the Taylor dispersion method (Taylor, 1953; Aris, 1956), which is capable of measuring  $D_{12}$  with moderate accuracy (the intrinsic measurement error of ca. 1%, claimed by Wakeham et al., (1991)), has often been employed to measure  $D_{12}$  for alcohols in water (Pratt and Wakeham, 1974; Tominaga and Matsumoto, 1990; Harris et al., 1993; van Ven-Lucassen et al., 1995; Hao and Leaist, 1996). However, the  $D_{12}$  data have been measured for mainly alcohols having relatively lower molecular weights, and data for C<sub>5</sub>-alcohols in water are extremely limited. In this study the  $D_{12}$  values of C<sub>5</sub>-monoalcohols (eight isomers) in water at 0.1 MPa in the temperature range from 273.2 K to 353.2 K were measured by the Taylor dispersion method. The  $D_{12}$  data were correlated with temperature, water viscosity, and the solute boiling point, and the accuracies in the various correlations were examined.

#### Theory

The Taylor dispersion method is a dynamic technique for the measurement of diffusion coefficients from the dispersion of the species in a laminar flow in capillary tubing of circular cross section. This technique was first used by Taylor (1953) and developed by Aris (1956).

The theoretical background of this technique (e.g., Hunt, 1977; Alizadeh et al., 1980) and the design of the experimental apparatus (Erkey and Akgerman, 1991) have been described in detail. When a small amount of a solute species is injected at z = 0, the solute concentration *C* at distance z = L downstream is given by eq 1.

$$C = \frac{m}{2\pi R^2 \sqrt{\pi Kt}} \exp\left[\frac{(L-ut)^2}{4Kt}\right]$$
(1)

where *m* is the amount of a solute injected, *u* is the average flow velocity,

$$K = D_{12} + \frac{u^2 R^2}{48 D_{12}} \tag{2}$$

and R is the inner radius of the dispersion tubing. The diffusion coefficient  $D_{12}$  is determined by the curve-fitting method (Funazukuri et al., 1994; Funazukuri and Nishimoto, 1996).

## **Experimental Apparatus and Procedures**

While the constituents of the experimental apparatus are substantially identical to that described in a previous study (Funazukuri et al., 1994), some modifications were made and are described briefly below. The distilled and degassed water was supplied with a microfeeder pump (JEOL CAP G01, Japan) at flow rates of  $80-150 \ \mu$ L/min. This tubing is made of an empty fused silica tubing (0.528 mm i.d.  $\times$ 31.78 m, untreated, Supelco), coiled in a diameter of 0.25 m, and is installed horizontally in a temperature-controlled water bath, whose temperature variations are within  $\pm 0.1$ K. The outlet of the diffusion column is connected directly to the detector inlet. The portion of the tubing between the water bath and the detector (0.15 m, this is counted in 31.78 m) is maintained at 308.2 K with a temperaturecontrolled ribbon heater. The detector cell block is also designed to be kept at 308.2 K. A tracer species, which was diluted with distilled water at 0.1 wt %, was injected into the diffusion tubing through an injector (Rheodyne 7520) with a 20-µL sampling loop. The sampling loop was also immersed in the water bath. The temperature of the tracer samples was kept at the same temperature as that of the water bath prior to each injection. The eluted tracer species was monitored with a refractive-index detector (model L-3300, Hitachi, Japan). Three to four measurements were carried out for each condition.

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Table 1. Comparison of  $D_{12}$  Values for Ethanol in Water at 298.2 K and 0.1 MPa

workers	$D_{12}/10^{-9} \mathrm{~m^2~s^{-1}}$
Smith and Straw (1952)	1.13
Hammond and Stokes (1953)	1.24
Dullien and Shemilt (1961)	1.22
Gary-Bobo and Weber (1969)	1.26 <sup>a</sup>
Pratt and Wakeham (1974)	1.23
Easteal and Woolf (1985)	1.22
Tominaga and Matsumoto (1990)	1.24
Harris et al. (1993)	1.23
van de Ven-Lucassen et al. (1995)	1.20
Hao and Leaist (1996)	1.23
present study	1.24

<sup>a</sup> 24.8 °C.

Water as a solvent was deionized, distilled, and then filtered with micropore membrane. 1-Pentanol (98+%), 2-pentanol (99%), 3-pentanol (98+%), ( $\pm$ )2-methyl-1-butanol (98+%), 2-methyl-2-butanol (98+%), and 2,2-dimethyl-1-propanol (98+%) were obtained from Wako Pure Chemical Ind. (Japan), and 3-methyl-1-butanol (98+%) and 3-methyl-2-butanol (97+%) from Kanto Chemicals (Japan). The figures shown in the parentheses are the purities, measured with GC, claimed by the suppliers. These reagents were used without further purification.

#### **Results and Discussion**

**Comparison of the**  $D_{12}$  **Values of Aqueous Ethanol at 298.2 K.** Table 1 compares the  $D_{12}$  values of ethanol in water at 298.2 K and atmospheric pressure with those in the literature. The present data, which is a mean value from five measurements with deviations within  $\pm 2\%$ , is almost consistent with the recent data obtained mainly by the Taylor dispersion method (Pratt and Wakeham, 1974; Tominaga and Matsumoto, 1990; Harris et al., 1993; van Ven-Lucassen et al., 1995; Hao and Leaist, 1996).

*Error Sources. (a) The Effect of the Secondary Flow Due to Coiled Diffusion Tubing.* The  $D_{12}$  values obtained have been known to be higher than the intrinsic values owing to the secondary flow caused by coiled diffusion tubing when the solvent velocity is higher than a certain value. It was found that the determined  $D_{12}$  values of ethanol at 298.2 K were independent of water velocities in the range of  $0.5 \times 10^{-2}$  to  $2 \times 10^{-2}$  ms<sup>-1</sup> for all the conditions. Furthermore, since the values of *De Sc*<sup>1/2</sup> were always lower than 8 for all solutes the criteria in eq 3 was fulfilled: Alizadeh et al. (1980) estimated that the error ascribed to the secondary flow on the  $D_{12}$  values was lower than 1% when Q = 8.

$$De Sc^{1/2} < Q \tag{3}$$

**(b)** The Effect of the Tracer Concentration. The effect of the tracer concentration on the  $D_{12}$  values was found to be negligible when the concentration of ethanol in the 20- $\mu$ L aqueous solutions injected varied from 0.05 to 2 wt % at 298.2 K. In this range the peak areas were also found to be proportional to the tracer concentrations. Since the concentrations of the tracer species injected are 0.1 wt % for all the C<sub>5</sub>-alcohol measurements, the conditions can be regarded as infinite dilution.

**Correlation Development.** Table 2 shows the measured binary diffusion coefficients  $D_{12}$  for the eight isomers, together with water viscosities (CRC Handbook, 1987) and the solute boiling points (Merck Index, 1996). The  $D_{12}$  values listed are the mean values of three to four measurements. These are quite reproducible (within  $\pm$  3%, mainly within  $\pm$ 2%) for all the conditions.

As mentioned in previous studies (Reid et al., 1987), the  $D_{12}$  values can be correlated accurately with the water viscosity. Funazukuri et al. (1996) also found that eq 4 with a single set of the constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  represented well the  $D_{12}$  data for benzene in supercritical carbon dioxide as well as in hexane, dodecane, and cyclohexane.

$$(D_{12}/m^2 \text{ s}^{-1})/(T/\text{K}) = \alpha (\eta/\text{Pa s})^{\beta}$$
(4)

Table 3 lists the determined constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in eq 4 and the average absolute deviation (%AAD) for each solute.

$$\% \text{AAD} = \frac{100}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left| \frac{D_{12, \text{exp}, i} - D_{12, \text{crrl}, i}}{D_{12, \text{crrl}, i}} \right|$$
(5)

where *N* is the number of data points and  $D_{12,exp}$  and  $D_{12,crrl}$  are binary diffusion coefficients obtained experimentally and predicted, respectively. It is found that the values of  $\beta$ are almost equal to -1, as listed in Table 3. Figure 1 is logarithmic plot of  $D_{12}/T$  vs water viscosity. One datum for  $D_{12}$  of 1-pentanol is available in the literature: the datum (0.88 × 10<sup>-9</sup> m<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) of Hao and Leaist (1996) at 298.2 K is slightly lower than ours (0.920 × 10<sup>-9</sup> m<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>). Note that the solid straight line drawn in this figure was obtained by eq 4 with  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  values listed in Table 4, assuming no difference in the  $D_{12}$  values for the isomers. Equation 4 was found to represent the  $D_{12}$  values well (%AAD = 1.4%).

While various correlations for predicting  $D_{12}$  values have been proposed, most correlations cannot distinguish isomers: the solute properties are represented by the solute molar volume  $V_b$  at the normal boiling point, which can be calculated by the method of Le Bas (Wilke and Chang, 1955). These values predicted by this method are the same for the C<sub>5</sub>-monoalcohols. We choose the solute boiling point as a reliable and convenient physical property to distinguish the different isomers. Figure 2 shows the  $D_{12}$  data vs the solute boiling point at each temperature. It is

Table 2. Measured Binary Diffusion Coefficients  $D_{12}/10^{-9}$  m<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> of C<sub>5</sub>-Monoalcohol Isomers in Water at 0.1 MPa in the Temperature Range from 273.2 K to 353.2 K

		temperature/K, viscosity/mPa s <sup>a</sup>					
solute	$T_{\rm b}/{ m K}^b$	273.2, 1.787	293.2, 1.002	298.2, 0.8905	313.2, 0.6530	333.2, 0.4666	353.2, 0.3548
1-pentanol	410.7	0.417	0.794	0.920	1.37	2.13	2.98
2-pentanol	392.5	0.402	0.816	0.911	1.34	2.04	2.89
3-pentanol	388.8	0.400	0.792	0.899	1.33	2.05	2.94
2-methyl-1-butanol	401.2	0.415	0.794	0.920	1.35	2.08	2.99
2-methyl-2-butanol	375.7 <sup>c</sup>	0.386	0.759	0.873	1.30	2.01	2.87
3-methyl-1-butanol	403.7	0.407	0.784	0.903	1.33	2.05	2.89
3-methyl-2-butanol	386.7	0.403	0.798	0.899	1.34	2.06	2.96
2,2-dimethyl-1-propanol	387.2	0.403	0.789	0.920	1.34	2.06	2.91

<sup>a</sup> From CRC Handbook (1989). <sup>b</sup> From Merck Index (1996). <sup>c</sup> At 765 mmHg.



**Figure 1.**  $D_{12}/T$  vs water viscosity for ( $\bigcirc$ ) 1-pentanol, ( $\blacktriangle$ ) 2-pentanol, ( $\diamondsuit$ ) 3-pentanol, ( $\bigtriangleup$ ) 2-methyl-1-butanol, (+) 2-methyl-2-butanol, ( $\blacktriangledown$ ) 3-methyl-1-butanol, ( $\square$ ) 3-methyl-2-butanol, ( $\times$ ) 2,2-dimethyl-1-propanol, and ( $\bigcirc$ ) 1-pentanol by Hao and Leaist (1996).

Table 3. Determined Coefficients in Eq 4 for Each Solute

solute	α	β	%AAD
1-pentanol	$1.709  imes 10^{-15}$	-1.070	1.44
2-pentanol	$1.830 imes10^{-15}$	-1.058	0.670
3-pentanol	$1.602 imes10^{-15}$	-1.076	0.778
2-methyl-1-butanol	$1.745 imes10^{-15}$	-1.067	1.31
2-methyl-2-butanol	$1.436 imes10^{-15}$	-1.087	0.874
3-methyl-1-butanol	$1.788 imes10^{-15}$	-1.060	1.02
3-methyl-2-butanol	$1.614 imes10^{-15}$	-1.076	0.907
2,2-dimethyl-1-propanol	$1.708  imes 10^{-15}$	-1.068	0.451

 Table 4. Accuracy for Predicting D<sub>12</sub> for Various

 Correlations for All C<sub>5</sub>-Monoalcohols

	%AAD	max %AD	parameter values
Wilke and Chang	3.54	10.2	$\phi = 2.6$
(1955)	6.53	13.6	$\phi = 2.26$
Hayduk and Laudie (1974)	7.52	18.2	
Nakanishi (1978)	13.0	19.7	
Hayduk and Minhas (1982)	3.90	11.5	
Siddiqi and Lucas (1986)	23.2	27.7	
eq 4	1.41	4.89	$lpha = 1.675  imes 10^{-15}, \ eta = -1.070$
eq 6	1.31	3.09	A = $3.721 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , E = 20.21 kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>

interesting that the  $D_{12}$  values increase with boiling point of the pure alcohols, and the slope also increases with increasing temperature.

Table 4 compares the accuracy for the various correlations for the  $D_{12}$  data of the aqueous C<sub>5</sub>-alcohols reported in the present study. Equation 4 is more accurate than those in the literature. Note that the association factor  $\Phi$ in the original Wilke and Chang equation (Wilke and Chang, 1955) is 2.6 for water as the solvent, but Hayduk and Laudie (1974) claimed that  $\Phi = 2.26$  is better than  $\Phi$ = 2.6. However, this modification does not improve the accuracy for the present C<sub>5</sub>-monoalcohol + water systems.

While the difference in the  $D_{12}$  values for the eight isomers at each temperature is quite small, the values obviously increase with boiling points of the pure alcohols, as mentioned above. On the basis of 1-pentanol



Solute boiling point //K

**Figure 2.**  $D_{12}$  values vs the solute boiling point at temperatures from 273.2 K to 353.2 K for all the solutes.

$$D_{12}/\mathrm{m}^2 \,\mathrm{s}^{-1} = D_{12}^\circ + A \,\exp\!\left[\frac{-E}{R_{\rm g}T}\right] (T_{\rm b} - T_{\rm b}^\circ)$$
 (6)

where the superscript ° indicates the value for 1-pentanol, and  $A = 3.721 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$  and  $E = 20.21 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ ,  $D_{12}^{\circ}$  is obtained by eq 4 with the values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  for 1-pentanol listed in Table 3. It is found that %AAD of eq 6 is 1.31% (the maximum %AD = 3.1%) for all C<sub>5</sub>-monoal-cohols, and the accuracy has been improved.

## Conclusions

Inifinite dilution binary diffusion coefficients for eight isomers of C<sub>5</sub>-monoalcohols in water were measured by the Taylor dispersion method at 273.2 K to 353.2 K and 0.1 MPa. The measured  $D_{12}$  values were correlated with temperature, water viscosity, and solute boiling point, and the accuracy in the correlation was better than those in the literature.

## Notation

 $\alpha = constant$ 

 $\beta = constant$ 

%AD = absolute deviation %AAD = average absolute deviation defined by eq 5 C = concentration of tracer species  $De = \text{Dean number} = (\rho u d_{\text{tube}} / \eta) (d_{\text{tube}} / d_{\text{coil}})^{1/2}$  $D_{12}$  = binary diffusion coefficient at infinite dilution  $d_{\rm coil} = {\rm coil \ diameter}$  $d_{\text{tube}} = \text{diameter of diffusion tubing}$ E = activation energyL =length of diffusion tubing u = average velocity R = radius of diffusion tubing  $R_{\rm g} = {\rm gas \ constant}$ r = radial distance Sc = Schmidt number =  $\eta/\rho D_{12}$ T = temperaturet = timez = axial distanceGreek symbols

 $\eta =$  water viscosity

 $\rho =$  water density

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