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STUDIES ON INTERMOLECULAR INTERACTIONS IN LIQUID BUTANE-1,2-DIOL–WATER MIXTURES

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The ¹H-NMR spectra of butane-1,2-diol (BD-1,2) – water mixtures as function of concentration were recorded at 298 K and the spectral parameters, $\Delta \delta$ (BD-1,2 – H₂ O) were evaluated. The surface tensions (σ_{12}) were measured at 298.15 K. From literature values of density (d_{12}), viscosity (η_{12}), dielectric permittivity (ε_{12}) and the measured surface tensions the molar volumes (V_{12}) and their deviations from "ideality", at 298.15 K, were calculated. Further on the temperature coefficients of dielectric permittivity, α_{12} , were evaluated. These structural parameters as functions of concentration suggest the formation of the "complexes" (sub-units) of the BD-1,2 · 2H₂O, BD-1,2 · 4H₂O and 2BD-1,2 · H₂O types.

KEY WORDS: Intermolecular interactions in liquid mixtures,¹H-NMR spectra, surface tensions.

INTRODUCTION

Previously the mutual intermolecular interactions in liquid mixtures of butane-1,4diol – water were studied¹. The present paper includes the results of studies on butane-1,2-diol – water system.

It was intended to determine the effect of the hydrophobic radical length in isomeric butanediols on the water structure in these water-diol systems which are not fully understood as yet. The structure of all the isomeric butanediols in the form of vapour, liquid and their diluted solution in organic solvents has been thoroughly investigated by Kuhn² and Fishman and Chen³. It follows from the work of the latter authors that all the isomeric butanediols can form both intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonds. The intermolecular bonds in liquid BD-1,2 and BD-1,4 are 0.76 Å and 0.75 Å in length, respectively, while those of intermolecular bonds are 2.1 Å and 1.2 Å, respectively. Differences in the intermolecular bond length result in the formation of five-membered rings in BD-1,2 and seven-membered ones in BD-1,4. These conclusions are confirmed by the values of the intermolecular hydrogen bonding energy³. Taking into consideration all the aforementioned literature

data it seemed of interest to extend studies on intermolecular interactions in liquid BD-1,2 – water mixtures, using ¹H-MR spectra and physicochemical methods.

EXPERIMENTAL

Butane-1,2-diol (Merc, Schuchard) was stored over molecular sieves for a few days following which it was distilled under vacuum. Fractions of BD-1,2 were collected at 102 °C and 5 mm Hg. The water content in the solvent was determined by the Carl Fischer method and was found not to exceed 0.01 wt%. Water was prepared for measurements as previously¹. The ¹H-NMR spectra were recorded using a Tesla BS 467 (60 MHz) spectrometer, at 298 \pm 1 K. The chemical shift values for proton signals of BD-1,2 and H₂O were measured with an accuracy of about \pm 0.2 Hz in respect to an external HMDS (hexamethyldisiloxane). The surface tensions measurements were performed with an accuracy \pm 0.1% using a stalagmometer. All the solutions were prepared by weight.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Only Bald *et al.*,⁴ have measured physicochemical properties (density, viscosity and dielectric permittivity) of the BD-1,2 – H_2O mixtures. They have measured the electric conductivity of NaI in this mixtures. They have postulated on the basis of results obtained by them that the strongest intermolecular interactions between components of butane-1,2-diol – water liquid binary mixtures are present within the composition range corresponding to ca. 30 mol. % of BD-1,2. However, no conclusion can be derived on the basis of their work regarding the number or stoichiometry of intermolecular "complexes" (sub-units) composed from molecules of butane-1,2-diol and water, which may be formed.

In the present work, in order to achieve more conclusive results, the chemical shift differences, $\delta(BD-1, 2 - H_2O)$ were measured at 298 K, between the centre of the ¹H-NMR signals of the multiplet corresponding to two methylene protons of the --CH₂--OH group of BD-1,2 molecules and the centre ¹H-NMR signal of water molecules over a wide range of solvent compositions, i.e., from 0.47 to 98.11 mol. % of butane-1,2-diol. From these new spectral data the spectral parameter $\Delta\delta(BD-1, 2 - H_2O)$ has been found (using the same method as previously ^{1.4}). We have shown in our previous papers^{1.5} that the maximum values of this parameter are located at the composition with the strongest intermolecular interactions between the components whereby hydrogen bonding is involved. Values of the chemical shift differences $\delta(BD-1, 2 - H_2O)$ measured over the whole range of compositions are listed in Table 1. The changes of parameter $\Delta\delta(BD-1, 2 - H_2O)$ shown in Figure 1 exhibit maximum at ca. 67 mol. % of BD-1,2. Thus, the conclusion can be drawn that at this composition the strongest hydrogen bond interactions between components are displayed, and that the most stable "complex" (sub-unit) is of the 2BD-1,2 \cdot H₂O type.

mol.% of BD-1,2	$\frac{\delta(BD-1,2-H_2O)}{[Hz]}$	$\frac{\sigma \cdot 10^3}{[N \cdot m^{-1}]}$
0.00	_	71.89
0.47	72.90	70.48
2.18	73.30	66.12
4.78	73.80	60.35
7.91	74.10	55.08
11.79	74.70	50.05
16.69	75.40	45.56
23.11	76.10	43.31
31.86	76.40	41.90
44.49	78.20	40.85
64.33	79.50	39.19
67.56	79.80	38.93
73.24	77.20	38.42
79.20	74.80	37.98
85.48	71.70	37.72
98.11	64.10	36.01
100.00	_	35.84

Table 1 Relative ¹H-NMR chemical shifts, δ (BD-1,2 – H₂O), and surface tensions for binary liquid mixtures BD-1,2 – H₂O, measured at 298.15K.



Figure 1 Changes in the function $\Delta\delta(BD-1,2 - H_2O) = f \text{(mol. %)}$ for the liquid BD-1,2 - H₂O mixtures, at 298 K.

From the dielectric permittivity values (see paper⁴) the temperature coefficients of the dielectric permittivity, denoted, α_{12} Viz. $\alpha_{12} = (1/\epsilon_{12}) \cdot [d\epsilon_{12}/d(1/T)]$, were calculated. The composition range of binary liquid mixtures within which α_{12} attains its highest value should be interpreted (as shown in Räetzsch's *et al.*,⁶ thermodynamic consideration) as a region characterized by maximal intermolecular interactions between two different components of given liquid mixture. Conclusions drawn from analysis of changes in $\Delta\delta$ and α_{12} are fully consistent¹⁻⁴. Changes in α_{12} vs. composition of liquid BD-1,2 – H₂O mixtures are shown in Figure 2.

The maximum of α_{12} is found at ca. 67 mol. % BD-1,2. This confirms the conclusion drawn from ¹H-NMR spectral data regarding the formation of a "complex" (sub-unit) of the 2BD-1,2 \cdot H₂O.

Further interesting results can be obtained by detailed analysis of the function $\alpha_{12} = f \pmod{8}$ BD-1,2). This indicates that the increasing addition of BD-1,2 to



Figure 2 Changes in the temperature coefficient of dielectric permittivity drawn as a function of composition for the liquid $BD-1, 2 - H_2O$ mixtures, at 298.15 K.



Figure 3 The course of changes of deviations from "ideality" of density, viscosity, dielectric permittivity, molar volume and surface tension as a function of composition for the liquid BD-1,2 – H_2O mixtures, at 298.15 K.

water up to ca. 30 mol. % BD-1,2, where a minimum is reached, causes a rapid drop in α_{12} . Further addition of BD-1,2 to the mixtures causes an increase in α_{12} , which results in a maximum at ca. 67 mol. % BD-1,2. Therefore, it is possible to assume that the internal structure of H₂O is disrupted by the addition of small amounts of BD-1,2 (up to 30 mol. %), whereas further addition of BD-1,2, up to ca. 67 mol.%, stabilizes the internal structure of mixed solvent increasingly by hydrogen bonding between the component molecules. The same analysis made for the butane-1,2-diolrich composition region shows a continuous increase in α_{12} down to ca.6 mol. % of BD-1,2. Therefore, it seems that the molecules of H₂O, within the composition range 100-67 mol. % BD-1,2, act as "structure-makers" with respect to molecules of BD-1,2 in the neat solvent.

Additional information about intermolecular interactions in liquid binary mixtures is provided by the analysis of deviations from "ideality" of basic physicochemical properties of these mixtures, i.e., density (d_{12}) , viscosity (η_{12}) , dielectric permittivity (ε_{12}) , surface tension (σ_{12}) and molar volumes $(V_{12})^{1.5.7}$. A thorough review of the literature justifies the correctness of using these parameters in the



sub-unit: BD-1,2·2H₂0

H₃C

sub-unit: BD-1,2 · 4H₂0

sub-unit:2BD-1,2·H₂0 Figure 4 analysis of intermolecular interactions⁷. In this paper, using experimental values of surface tensionat 298.15 K (see Tab. 1) and literature values of density, viscosity and dielectric permittivity⁴ the deviations from "ideality" of the functions involved have been calculated from the following equations.

$$\Delta(d_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(x)} \cong \Delta(d_{12})_{\text{add}}^{(x)} = d_{12} - \frac{x_1 \cdot M_1 + x_2 \cdot M_2}{x_1 \cdot \frac{M_1}{d_1} + x_2 \cdot \frac{M_2}{d_2}}$$

where: M-molecular weight

$$\Delta(\eta_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(x)} = \Delta(\eta_{12})_{\text{add}}^{(x)} = \eta_{12} - (\eta_1)^{x_1} \cdot (\eta_2)^{x_2}$$

$$\Delta(\varepsilon_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(x)} \cong \Delta(\varepsilon_{12})_{\text{add}}^{(x)} = \varepsilon_{12} - (x_1 \cdot \varepsilon_1 + x_2 \cdot \varepsilon_2)$$

$$\Delta(V_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(x)} = \Delta(V_{12})_{\text{add}}^{(x)} = \mathbf{V}_{12} - (x_1 \cdot V_1 + x_2 \cdot V_2)$$

where:

$$V = \frac{M}{d}$$

$$\Delta(\sigma_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(x)} = \Delta(\sigma_{12})_{\text{add}}^{(x)} = \sigma_{12} - (x_1 \cdot \sigma_1 + x_2 \cdot \sigma_2)$$

Values calculated from above equations over a wide range of $BD-1, 2-H_2O$ mixtures (at 298.15 K) are shown in Figure 3.

The value of $\Delta(\eta_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(3)}$ exhibits the largest deviation from "ideality" at the compositions ca. 67 mol. % of BD-1,2 what suggests the formation of a "complex" (subunit) of the 2BD-1,2 · H₂O type. This confirms the conclusion drawn from ¹H-NMR spectral data and dielectric measurements. The values of $\Delta(V_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(3)}$ and $\Delta(\varepsilon_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(3)}$ have a minimum at the composition ca. 33 mol. % of BD-1,2 whereas the values of $\Delta(d_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(3)}$ and $\Delta(\sigma_{12})_{\text{ideal}}^{(3)}$ have a maximum at the composition ca. 20 mol.% of BD-1,2 what suggests the formation of the "complexes" (sub-units) of BD-1, 2 · 2H₂O and BD-1,2 · 4H₂O types.

Therefore, due to all aforementioned literature data^{2,3}, concerning the structure of liquid BD-1,2 and H₂O and the present studies, the structure of the mentioned above "complexes" (sub-units) of the BD-1,2 \cdot 2H₂O, BD-1,2 \cdot 4H₂O and 2BD-1, 2 \cdot H₂O types can be suggested as given in Figure 4.

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