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# EFFECT OF IONIC ASSOCIATION ON THE *B* COEFFICIENT FOR CaCl<sub>2</sub> IN ETHANOL-WATER MIXTURES AT 298.15 K

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The viscosity and density of CaCl<sub>2</sub> solutions in the water-ethanol systems have been measured up to 90 mol% alcohol at 298.15 K. The conductance measurements made it possible to obtain the association constants and the degrees of dissociation in these systems and they revealed that ionic association is appreciable in CaCl<sub>2</sub> solution in mixtures containing above 15 mol% of ethanol. For that reason an extended form of the Jones-Dole equation was used introducing the following coefficients:  $B_1 = B_{CaCl^+} + B_{Cl}$ and  $B_2 = B_{Ca^{2+}} + 2B_{Cl}$  that were calculated by the last squares method. The *A* coefficients of the above equation were theoretically calculated using the limiting conductivities of Cl<sup>-</sup> from another investigation. The ion-solvent interactions, as results from the extended Jones-Dole equation analysis, increase in CaCl<sub>2</sub> solutions as the permittivity of the medium decrease and are much higher than it results from *B* without correction.

Keywords: Viscosity; density; conductance; water-alcohol mixtures; CaCl<sub>2</sub>

## **INTRODUCTION**

The present work is part of a continuing efforts from our laboratories to examine the influence of ionic association on the B coefficient of the

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Jones-Dole equation:

$$\eta_r = 1 + Ac^{1/2} + Bc \tag{1}$$

as a quantitative formulation of the ion-ion and ion-solvent interactions. In the above equation  $\eta_r$  is the relative viscosity of solution and c is the molar concentration of electrolyte and A and B are the coefficients depending on the solute, the solvent and the temperature. As a rule, these coefficients are obtained by fitting  $\eta_r$  to eqn. (1). The A term which depends on the interactions forces can be evaluated theoretically: Falkenhagen equation [1]. For its calculation some data which can be determined from the conductivity measurements are necessary. These in turn give us the limiting conductances of the ions and they are very useful in studying ionic association. If the A coefficient is know, eqn. (1) can be rearranged to give;

$$(\eta_r - 1A - c^{1/2})/c = B \tag{2}$$

which made it possible to determine the B coefficient by the least squares method.

For several years our attention have been focused on the asymmetric electrolyte solutions, where ionic association is appreciable and the presence of species other the dissociated ions becomes important. CaCl<sub>2</sub> was chosen as a representative of this important and large group of electrolytes. So far, the water-alcohol mixtures in which ionic association is significant and which can dissolved a lot of inorganic salts have been investigated in detail. Water-ethanol mixture is a solvent system having scientific and practical interests and therefore it was chosen to examine the influence of ionic association on viscosity. In the solution where the electrolyte is incomplete dissociated the classical Jones-Dole equation should be extended, introducing the degree of dissociation, according to Davies and Malpass suggestion [2]. In the previous paper we proposed [3] and recently [4] have examined such extended form of the equation for the asymmetrical electrolytes. In the water-propanol mixtures we have also showed that the values of B for  $CaCl_2$  calculated from eqn. (2) and those found, when the modified equation is used are the same only in these mixtures (to 10 mol% of propanol), where ionic association in

the investigated system practically does not occur. In the remaining region with a large propanol content the differences in the B values can even reach 100%.

In the present paper, the measurements of densities and viscosities and electric conductivity of dilute solutions of  $CaCl_2$  in the mixtures of water with ethanol up to 90 mol% of alcohol at 298.15 K are described. The results of conductance measurements made it possible calculation of the *A* coefficients as well as the determination the association constants and the degrees of dissociation in these systems. Having at disposal the mentioned above values we are able to calculate the *B* coefficients for different species present in the solution.

### EXPERIMENTAL

Viscosity measurements were made by means of Ubbelohde-type viscometers with flow times of 200-500 s for various solutions. The liquids used as standards were water and *n*-butanol. The temperature stability was *ca*:  $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$  K. Conductivity measurements were carried out using a bridge type E 315A (Mera-Tronik, Poland), and a cell with capacity of *ca*. 350 cm<sup>3</sup>. The temperature was kept constant within  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  K. More details on the purification of the salt and experimental procedure have been described previously [4, 5]. Analytical-grade ethanol (POCH-Gliwice, Poland) was purified by distillation and analysed for its water content. The final product had a specific conductivity of  $1 \cdot 10^{-8} \Omega^{-1}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. The specific conductivities of purified double-distilled water were better than  $1 \cdot 10^{-6} \Omega^{-1}$  cm<sup>-1</sup> at 298.15 K. All the mixtures and solutions of electrolytes were prepared by weight in a dry box.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

For the ternary electrolyte under consideration, i.e., CaCl<sub>2</sub>, the following association equilibria can take place:

$$\operatorname{CaCl}^{+} + \operatorname{Cl}^{-} \xleftarrow{K_{al}} \operatorname{CaCl}_{2}$$
(3a)

$$\operatorname{Ca}^{2+} + \operatorname{Cl}^{-} \xleftarrow{K_{a2}} \operatorname{Ca}\operatorname{Cl}^{+}$$
 (3b)

The association constants  $K_a$ , connected with the above equilibria can be described by the following:

$$K_{a1} = \frac{1 - \alpha_1}{c \,\alpha_1^2 \,(1 - \alpha_2^2) \,y_{\pm}^2}$$

$$K_{a2} = \frac{1 - \alpha_2}{c \,\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \,(1 + \alpha_2) \,y_{\text{Ca}^{2+}}}$$
(4)

were: c is the total concentration of the electrolyte, while  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  denote the degree of dissociation connected with the primary and secondary steps of dissociation.

Assuming:

$$y_{\text{CaCl}_2} = 1 \text{ and } y_{\text{Cl}^-} = y_{\text{CaCl}^+} = y_{\pm}$$

the activity coefficients of individual species in the solution can be calculated from the Debye-Huckel equation:

$$\ln y_i = -\frac{|z_i|^2 A_{\text{DH}} I^{1/2}}{1 + RB_{\text{DH}} I^{1/2}}$$
(5)

The ionic strength is:  $I = c\alpha_1(1 + 2\alpha_2)$  and ion distance parameter R is assumed to be equal Bjerrum's distance according to Justice's [6, 7] suggestion.

The determination of association constants from conductivity measurements is a well established procedure but only for symmetrical electrolytes [5, 8]. The unsatisfactory state of the theory concerning unsymmetrical electrolytes makes the interpretation of the obtained results for the CaCl<sub>2</sub> solutions rather difficult. Nevertheless, it seems both interesting and reasonable to make such attempts based on existing theories.

For the analysis of the CaCl<sub>2</sub> conductivity measurements in waterethanol mixtures we used the Fuoss-Edelson method [9] and verified its usability over a wide range of the mixed solvent composition (0-90 mol% of ethanol). The values of limiting conductivity  $\Lambda_0$  (1/2CaCl<sub>2</sub>) and association constant  $K_{a2}$  (assuming  $K_{a1} = 0$ ) were calculated from eqn. (6):

$$\Lambda^* = \Lambda_0 - \frac{K_{a2}}{\Lambda_0} x \tag{6}$$

where  $\Lambda^*$  and x are described by the following equations:

$$\Lambda^{*} = \Lambda \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\lambda_{0} \left( 1/2 \operatorname{Ca}^{2+} \right)}{2 \Lambda_{o}}} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{S_{2:1}}{\Lambda_{o}} c^{1/2}} - \frac{\lambda_{0} \left( 1/2 \operatorname{Ca}^{2+} \right)}{2 \Lambda} \right]$$
(6a)

$$x = 2cy_{\operatorname{Ca}^{2+}} \Lambda^* \left( \Lambda^* - \frac{\Lambda_0}{2} \right)$$
 (6b)

In this equation:  $\lambda_0(1/2 \operatorname{Ca}^{2+}) = \Lambda_0 - \lambda_0 (\operatorname{Cl}^-)$  and  $S_{2:1}$  is the limiting slope for 2:1 electrolytes according to the Debye-Huckel-Onsager (DHO) theory.

Table I contains the calculated values of molar conductivity  $\Lambda(1/2)$ CaCl<sub>2</sub>), in the water-ethanol mixtures necessary for to calculation of  $\Lambda^*$  in all investigated solutions. Table II gives the limiting molar conductivities of electrolyte,  $\Lambda_0$  (1/2CaCl<sub>2</sub>), and ions  $\lambda_0$  (1/2Ca<sup>2+</sup>), in water-ethanol mixtures containing up to 90 mol% of alcohol. In the water-rich region up to 15 mol% of ethanol the values of  $\Lambda_0$  were calculated using the limiting DHO equation. For the mixtures containing more than 15 mol% of ethanol the values of  $\Lambda_0$  were analysed by the use of equations (6)-(6b), similarly as showed in our previous paper [4]. The calculated values of the  $K_{a2}$  and its standard deviation at the investigated solvent composition range are summarised in Table II. It can be assumed from the  $K_{a2}$  data, that CaCl<sub>2</sub> is complete dissociated electrolyte in pure water and in the mixtures containing up to 15 mol% of ethanol. For the mixtures containing more than 15 mol% of ethanol the  $K_{a2}$  values increase considerably with increasing ethanol content while the relative premittivity of the solvent decreases [10]. So, the possible formation of various ionic species favoured by the low value of the relative permittivity of the medium should be taken into account. In fact the CaCl<sub>2</sub> formation in the undissociated form can be neglected ( $\alpha_1 = 1$ ) and only the presence of free ions and the CaCl<sup>+</sup> species considered, according to equilibrium (3b). In this case we can modify the classical Jones-Dole

$c/10^{-4}$		$\Lambda/cm^{2}\Omega^{-1}$	$c/10^{-4}$	$\Lambda/cm^2\Omega^{-1}$
mol am		mol	mol am	mol
	$x_2^{a} = 0.0$		$x_2^a$	= 5.0
1.347		133.05	1.954	92.86
2.335		132.10	2.833	92.20
3.199		131.44	4.139	91.54
5.126		130.22	6.441	90.72
6.148		129.76	8.182	90.13
7.806		129.07	10.108	89.63
9.594		128.41	11.976	89.15
11.264		127.83	14.056	88.64
12.840		127.36	17.526	87.98
16.499		126.31	21.398	87.25
19.677		125.56	24,800	86.74
22.777		124.84	28.247	86.24
26.188		124 20	34 051	85.41
30.444		123.45	511001	05.11
	$x_2^a = 10.0$		$x_2^{a} =$	= 30.0
1.242		71.63	0.677	47.72
2.243		70.93	1.211	47.13
2.938		70.39	1.883	46.66
4.209		69.82	2.586	46.18
4.933		69.53	3.280	45.83
5.895		69.20	4.098	45.44
7.715		68.71	5.067	45.03
9.615		68.37	6.747	44.42
23.009		65.98	7.828	44.10
26.173		65.53	9.245	43.65
30.583		65.26	10 412	43 35
			12.236	42.93
	$x_2^a = 50.0$		14 455	42.44
			16.877	41 97
0.672		43.60	19 356	41.55
1.357		42.47	21 473	41.23
2.752		40.93	24.069	40.85
3.494		40.27	211009	10.00
4.000		39.89	xo <sup>a</sup> =	= 70.0
5.412		38.92	**2	, 0.0
6.559		38.24	1.017	42.26
8.034		37 47	1 539	40.99
9.305		36.88	2.068	39.99
11.858		35.91	2 554	39.18
14.399		35.08	2.928	38.63
16.726		34.40	3 910	37 36
19.038		33.81	4 786	36.43
22.558		33.05	5 737	35.48
		55.05	6 587	34 80
	$x_2^a = 90.0$		8 372	33 56
	···2 = 70.0		9.996	32.64
0.720		36.94	11 781	31.77
1 219		34 49	11./01	51.77

TABLE I Molar conductivities, A, of (1/2CaCl<sub>2</sub>) in water ethanol mixtures at 298.15 K

		,				
$c/10^{-4}$ mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	$\Lambda/cm^2\Omega^{-1}$ mol <sup>-1</sup>	$c/10^{-4}$ mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	$\Delta/cm^2\Omega^{-1}$ mol <sup>-1</sup>			
1.915	32.06	13.310	31.10			
2.599	30.37	15.750	30.15			
3.317	28.95					
3.873	28.10					
5.157	26.46					
6.421	25.26					
7.651	24.33					
8.835	23.57					
11.268	22.34					
13.623	21.41					
16.027	20.68					
18.281	20.06					
21.837	19.25					

TABLE I (Continued)

 $x_2^a$ , mol% of ethanol.

TABLE II Limiting molar conductivities,  $\Lambda_0$ , of CaCl<sub>2</sub> and the association constants,  $K_{a2}$ , in water-ethanol mixtures at 298.15 K

$x_2^a$	$\Lambda_0/cm^2 \Omega^{-1} mol^{-1}$	$\sigma \Lambda_0$	$\frac{K_{a2}}{mol} dm^3$	$\sigma K_{a2}$	$\lambda_0 (Cl^-)^d$	$\begin{array}{c}\lambda_0(1/2\\Ca^{2+})\end{array}$
0	135.95 <sup>b</sup>	0.06	_	_	76.4	59.6
5	95.33	0.06	~	_	51.2	44.1
10	72.87	0.07	_	-	38.1	34.8
15	60.89°	_	_	_	32.0	28.9
20	54.94°	_	12.0	-	28.7	26.2
30	48.92	0.03	24.9	1.5	25.4	23.5
33	47.85 <sup>c</sup>	_	30	-	24.7	23.2
50	45.69	0.04	144	5	22.9	22.8
60	45.92 <sup>c</sup>	_	220	_	22.6	23.3
70	46.66	0.06	409	10	22.5	24.2
80	$46.40^{\circ}$	_	1040	-	22.3	24.1
90	44.3	0.10	2100	30	22.0	22.3

<sup>a</sup>  $x_2$  mol% of ethanol;  $K_{a2}$ , association constants described eqn. (3b),  $\sigma K_{a2}$ , standard deviations of  $K_{a2}$ .  $k_{a3}$ .

equation to the form given below:

$$\eta_r = 1 + A (c \alpha_2)^{1/2} + B_1 c (1 - \alpha_2) + B_2 c \alpha_2$$
(7)

where  $\alpha_2$  is the degree of dissociation of the CaCl<sup>+</sup> species and:

$$B_{1} = B_{CaCl^{+}} + B_{Cl^{-}}$$
$$B_{2} = B_{Ca^{2+}} + 2B_{Cl^{-}}$$

In order to find the values of coefficients  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  the eqn. (7) was converted as follows [3]:

$$\frac{\eta_r - 1 - A(c\alpha_2)^{1/2}}{c\,\alpha_2} = B_2 + B_1 \,\frac{1 - \alpha_2}{\alpha_2} \tag{8}$$

which made it possible to calculate  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  by the least squares method. The  $K_{a2}$  values determined from conductivity measurements were used to calculate of the degree of dissociation,  $\alpha_2$ . The values of Acoefficients were calculated theoretically, applying the ionic limiting conductivities for Cl<sup>-</sup> obtained by Kay and co-workers [11] and  $\lambda_0(1/2$ Ca<sup>2+</sup>) obtained by us in this paper (Tab. II). All the relative viscosities result and densities of CaCl<sub>2</sub>-water-ethanol systems at 298.15 K are given in Table III. Table IV gives information on  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  obtained from eqn. (8) in CaCl<sub>2</sub>-water-ethanol systems. For comparison, the *B*coefficients values, calculated from eqn. (2) without correction for the ionic association, are also given in the same table.

The conductivity measurements suggested that below 15 mol% of ethanol, the  $K_{a2}$  values can be neglected. In this case the presence of free ions is only considered. Thus, in this water-rich region the effect of an electrolyte on the solvent structure may be, to some extent, analysed with the sign of the temperature coefficient of the relative viscosity  $(\Delta \eta_r / \Delta T)$  (like  $(\Delta B / \Delta T)$ ) [12]. It was shown from our earlier research [13] that this coefficient for CaCl<sub>2</sub> changes the sign twice in water-rich region. Within the 293-303 K temperature range the coefficient retains a negative sign characteristic of aqueous solutions of electrolyte up to 5 mol% of ethanol and then changes the sign to positive, which it preserves up to ca. 30 mol% of ethanol. It may suggest that CaCl<sub>2</sub> is a structure-ordering salt in water but destroys the structure of mixtures. However, it must be interpreted with some caution as the analysis is based on  $\eta_r$  values only. The observed effect was considerably smaller than in the case of other investigated electrolytes in this highly aqueous region [13]. Above 30 mol% of

$c/10^{-3}$ mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	$\rho/\rho/m^{-3}$	$\eta_r$	$c \ 10^{-3}$ mol $dm^{-3}$	$\rho/\sigma cm^{-3}$	$\eta_r$
	8 0.0				
	$x_2^{a} = 0.0$			$x_2^{a} = 5.0$	
17.4	0.9991	1.0068	16.6	0.9792	1.0056
23.0	0.9999	1.0090	28.0	0.9803	1.0097
28.5	1.0002	1.0111	43.7	0.9818	1.0156
37.0	1.0009	1.0135	44.1	0.9820	1.0143
41.1	1.0017	1.0157	46.7	0.9822	1.0144
53.8	1.0022	1.0193	48.8	0.9826	1.0182
53.9	1.0022	1.0201	53.6	0.9827	1.0171
60.0	1.0036	1.0218	66.4	0.9843	1.0237
65.4	1.0037	1.0240	70.4	0.9841	1.0228
71.3	1.0039	1.0249	75.2	0.9848	1.0231
76.9	1.0044	1.0269	90.2	0.9861	1.0288
77.4	1.0046	1.0281			
80.5	1.0047	1.0288		$x_2^{a} = 15.0$	
108.0	1.0070	1.0369		-	
144.2	1.0100	1.0478	24.8	0.9514	1.0102
149.2	1.0110	1.0496	43.8	0.9531	1.0167
			51.0	0.9535	1.0197
	$x_2^{a} = 10.0$		51.8	0.9536	1.0190
			57.3	0.9541	1.0212
28.83	0.9661	1.0103	61.7	0.9546	1.0230
31.00	0.9624	1.0110	74.7	0.9558	1.0276
34.06	0.9641	1.0120	93.9	0.9574	1.0335
34.12	0.9664	1.0113			
37.58	0.9670	1.0132		$x_2^{a} = 20.0$	
48.13	0.9680	1.0178			
48.15	0.9684	1.0177	36.15	0.9370	1.0166
54.57	0.9685	1.0189	46.64	0.9378	1.0204
59.74	0.9689	1.0240	50.90	0.9382	1.0218
90.16	0.9861	1.0288	62.54	0.9393	1.0262
			66.70	0.9395	1.0272
	$x_2^{a} = 33.0$		72.25	0.9404	1.0303
			77.21	0.9407	1.0322
42.52	0.9006	1.0257	81.96	0.9409	1.0332
50.37	0.9012	1.0296			
56.56	0.9018	1.0321		$x_2^{a} = 60.0$	
57.24	0.9019	1.0324			
67.80	0.9028	1.0389	21.94	0.8433	1.0267
71.98	0.9031	1.0408	29.63	0.8435	1.0318
91.56	0.9046	1.0505	33.21	0.8438	1.0393
			35.29	0.8440	1.0405
			39.26	0.8446	1.0418
	$x_2^a = 70.0$		42.08	0.8449	1.0459
			46.01	0.8453	1.0499
26.24	0.8273	1.0353	75.99	0.8480	1.0695
28.16	0.8278	1.0372	87.11	0.8493	1.0785

TABLE IIIDensity,  $\rho$  and relative viscosity,  $\eta_r$ , for CaCl2 in water-ethanol mixtures at298.15 K in various molar concentrations of electrolyte, c

c/10 <sup>-3</sup> mol dm <sup>-3</sup>	p/ g cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\eta_r$	$\frac{c}{mol} \frac{10^{-3}}{dm^{-3}}$	$g \frac{\rho}{cm^{-3}}$	$\eta_r$
35.36	0.8286	1.0501			
52.41	0.8296	1.0720		$x_2^a = 80.0$	
57.37	0.8302	1.0690			
70.1b3	0.8316	1.0839	25.97	0.8136	1.0411
70.79	0.8318	1.0924	32.87	0.8142	1.0496
72.92	0.8324	1.0998	34.70	0.8143	1.0515
80.86	0.8328	1.0952	44.40	0.8155	1.0645
			45.90	0.8156	1.0675
	$x_2^a = 90.0$		50.09	0.8160	1.0726
	-		52.20	0.8161	1.0743
17.95	0.7993	1.0332	64.63	0.8174	1.0937
21.82	0.7998	1.0403	83.20	0.8187	1.1157
25.84	0.8003	1.0406	85.15	0.8189	1.1173
38.07	0.8015	1.0709	85.63	0.8198	1.1194
44.76	0.8022	1.0682			
52.02	0.8031	1.0867			
52.95	0.8032	1.1068			
67.12	0.8042	1.1070			
77.43	0.8058	1.1241			

TABLE III (Continued)

<sup>a</sup>  $x_2^a$  mol% of ethanol.

TABLE IV Coefficients of the Jones-Dole equation:  $A(dm^{3/2} mol^{-1/2})$  and  $B, B_1$  and  $B_2$  (dm<sup>3</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>) for CaCl<sub>2</sub> in water-ethanol mixtures at 298.15 K

$X_2^a$	A <sup>b</sup>		σΒ	$B_1^{d}$	$\sigma B_1$	$B_2^{d}$	$\sigma B_2$
0	0.0156	0.291	0.012	_		_	
5	0.0147	0.265	0.025	_		_	
10	0.0148	0.289	0.020	_		-	
15	0.0156	0.308	0.005	-		-	
20	0.0171	0.355	0.004	0.195	0.153	0.400	0.004
33	0.0219	0.487	0.003	0.356	0.078	0.563	0.004
60	0.0348	0.918	0.028	0.845	0.080	1.150	0.071
70	0.0401	1.119	0.025	1.037	0.101	1.540	0.103
80	0.0469	1.242	0.007	1.297	0.030	1.921	0.037
90	0.0577	1.422	0.051	1.533	0.059	2.433	0.050

<sup>a</sup>  $x_2$  mol% of ethanol. <sup>b</sup> A, values of A coefficients calculated theoretically.

<sup>c</sup> B, values of B coefficients, considering no association;  $\sigma B$ , standard deviation of B.

 ${}^{d}B_{1}$ ,  $B_{2}$ , values of coefficients  $B_{1}$  and  $B_{2}$  calculated from eqn. (8) and described following:  $B_1 = B_{\text{CaCl}^+} + B_{\text{cl}}$  and  $B_2 = B_{\text{Ca}^{2+}} + 2B_{\text{cl}^-}$ ;  $\sigma B_1$ ,  $\sigma B_2$ , standard deviation of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ .

ethanol the coefficient  $\Lambda \eta_r / \Delta T$  is negative, as for most electrolyte solution in water-alcohol mixtures.

Beyond the water-rich region we found considerable influence of ionic association on the values of B coefficient and when eqn. (9) was used and the coefficients  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  values could be found (Tab. IV).

Both coefficients increase with ethanol content to presence of species other than dissociated ions and their different type interactions with mixed solvent.

The influence of alcohol on the value of ionic constants and a deeper analysis of changes in values of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  as functions of quantity and kind of the alcohol added will be analysed soon after investigating methanol-water-CaCl<sub>2</sub> system.

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