

Determination of thermodynamic properties of poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and its copolymers at infinite dilution using inverse gas chromatography

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Abstract

Some thermodynamic quantities were obtained for the interactions of poly[2-(3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], (PPCHEMA) poly[2-(3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-acrylonitrile] (PPCHEMA-AN) and poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-styrene] (PPCHEMA-S) with alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and alkanes by inverse gas chromatography method in various temperatures. The specific retention volumes, V_g^0 , weight fraction activity coefficients of solute probes at infinite dilution, Ω_1^∞ , Flory–Huggins thermodynamic interaction parameters, χ_{12}^∞ , between polymers and solvents are determined. The partial molar free energy, ΔG_1^∞ , the partial molar heat of mixing, ΔH_1^∞ , at infinite dilution and the solubility parameters of polymer, δ_2 , were calculated at various temperatures. The glass transition temperatures, T_g , of PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S were found to be about 378, 377 and 375 K, respectively, by differential scanning calorimetry. Alcohols, ketones and acetates were found to be good solvent for PPCHEMA and PPCHEMA-AN but *n*-alkanes and aromatics (except for high temperatures) were found to be non-solvents. Whereas for PPCHEMA-S all solvents were found to be non-solvents at this temperatures. Also the solubility parameters for PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S at infinite dilution were found by plotting the graph of $[(\delta_1^2/RT) - \chi_{12}^\infty/V_1]$ versus solubility parameters, δ_1 , of this probes. © 2000 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

Recently, we demonstrated that the inverse gas chromatography (IGC) method can give, after careful analysis, a wealth of information on polymeric systems [1–7].

The IGC method has been used extensively to study the structure of polymers, the interactions of various liquids and gases with polymeric materials and to investigate polymer–polymer miscibility. The method is simple, fast, economical and provides valuable thermodynamic information for characterisation of polymeric materials. The inverse gas chromatography technique yielded a dependence of retention volumes on the chemical nature of the solvent used. It was found that the technique yielded useful for polymer–solvent and polymer–polymer interaction parameters. It was recognised that retention volumes of solvents V_g^0 measured by IGC may contain several dependencies,

among them the carrier gas flow rate effect, the mass of the polymer in the stationary phase and the solid support contribution. It has been shown that the IGC method gives information on polymer–solvent and polymer–polymer systems such as solubility parameters, interaction parameters, diffusion constants, enthalpies of mixing, surface energies and areas, adsorption isotherms, glass transition temperatures, T_g , melting temperatures, T_m , and degree of crystallinity [8–16].

In this study, we examined the interactions of poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] (PPCHEMA), poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-acrylonitrile] (PPCHEMA-AN) and poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-styrene] (PPCHEMA-S) with alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and alkanes solute probes by using the IGC method in temperatures range 423 to 473 K. On the other hand, we were determined to the solubility parameter, δ_2 , of the polymers.

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2. Data reduction

The probe specific retention volumes, V_g^0 , corrected to 0°C were calculated from the standard chromatographic relation:

$$V_g^0 = \Delta t F 273.2 / w T_r 3/2 [(P_i/P_o)^2 - 1/(P_i/P_o)^3 - 1] \quad (1)$$

where $\Delta t = t_p - t_g$ is the difference between the retention times of the probe, t_p , and the methane, t_g , F is the flow rate of the carrier gas measured at room temperature, T_r , w is the mass of the polymeric stationary phase and P_i and P_o are the inlet and outlet pressures, respectively [5–10].

The weight fraction activity coefficient, Ω_1^∞ , the partial molar free energy, ΔG_1^∞ and the average partial molar enthalpy, ΔH_1^∞ at infinite dilution of the organic solvents were calculated according to the following equation

$$\Omega_1^\infty = 273.2R/V_g^0 P_1^0 M_1 \exp[-P_1^0(B_{11} - V_1)/RT] \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta G_1^\infty = RT \ln \Omega_1^\infty \quad (3)$$

$$\Delta H_1^\infty = R \partial \ln(\Omega_1^\infty) / \partial(1/T) \quad (4)$$

where B_{11} is the second virial coefficient of the organic solute in the gaseous state and P_1^0 is the vapour pressure of the probes at temperature, $T(K)$ and M_1 is the molecular weight of the probe. The values of P_1^0 and B_{11} have been calculated as in the literature [7–14].

The molar volume of the solute, V_1 was calculated using the following relation [17].

$$V_1 = V_c / \rho_r \quad (5)$$

where V_c is the critical molar volume and ρ_r is the reduced density of the solute given as:

$$\rho_r = 1.20 + (5.565 - 11.03z_c)(1 - T/T_c)^{(0.8z_c + 0.31)} \quad (6)$$

where z_c is the critical compressibility factor and T_c is the critical temperature.

The Flory–Huggins parameters, χ_{12}^∞ characterising the interactions of a vapour-phase probe with a polymer are determined by the following equation:

$$\chi_{12}^\infty = \ln(273.2R\nu_2/V_g^0 V_1 P_1^0 / RT(B_{11} - V_1)) \quad (7)$$

where R is the gas constant, ν_2 is the specific volume of the polymer. Solubility parameter of the probe is calculated from the relation [13–15].

$$\delta_1 = [(\Delta H_v - RT)/V_1]^{0.5} \quad (8)$$

The solubility parameter of the polymer, δ_2 can be calculated by using the following relation:

$$[(\delta_1^2/RT) - \chi_{12}^\infty/V_1] = (2\delta_2/RT)\delta_1 - \delta_2^2/RT \quad (9)$$

If the left-hand side of this equation is plotted against δ_1 , a straight line having a slope of $2\delta_2/RT$ and an intercept of $(-\delta_2^2/RT)$ is obtained. The solubility parameter of polymer,

δ_2 can be determined from both the slope and intercept of the straight line [18–20].

3. Experimental

3.1. Materials

Fourteen polar and non-polar probes were used in this study. They were selected to provide several groups of a chemically different nature and polarity. *N*-octane, *n*-nonane, *n*-decane, *n*-undecane and *n*-dodecane were supplied from Aldrich Chemical Co. and methanol, ethanol, acetone, ethyl methyl ketone, methyl acetate, ethyl acetate, benzene, toluene and *o*-xylene were supplied from Merck Chemical Co. as chromatographic grade. Chromosorb WHP [(silicone OV-210 + silicone OV-17,5 + 5%), (80–100 mesh)] was supplied from Shimadzu Chemical Co. 1,4-Dioxane and *n*-hexane (Aldrich) were dried over anhydrous $MgSO_4$ before use. Acrylonitrile and styrene Yalova Elyaf Comp. (Turkey) and KOH (Aldrich) were used as received. 1-Chloro-2,3-epoxy-5-methyl-5-hexene was received from the Institute of Polymeric Materials in the Academy of Sciences of Azerbaijan and freshly distilled before use. [2-(3-Phenyl-3-methylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] was synthesised via the method given for the epoxy–carboxy reactions [21–25].

3.2. Polymerisation of the monomer

The monomer [2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] was freed from inhibitor by washing with dilute KOH solution followed by reacting with distilled water and drying over anhydrous $MgSO_4$. Appropriate amounts of 2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate and 1,4-dioxane and benzoyl peroxide (0.2% of the weight of the monomer) were placed into a reaction tube and purged with Ar for about 10 min. The sealed tube was kept at 60°C for 15 h. PPCHEMA was purified by reprecipitation in *n*-hexane from 1,4-dioxane solution and finally dried under vacuum. The yield was about 75% for PPCHEMA. Molecular weight of PPCHEMA was determined by gel permeation chromatography using polystyrene and tetrahydrofuran as standard and solvent, respectively. Weight-average molecular weight of PPCHEMA were found as 125 000 g/mol (polydispersity:2.62). The glass transition temperatures of PPCHEMA, is found about 105°C by differential scanning calorimeter (DSC) (Shimadzu, DSC-50). The monomer, polymer and copolymer were characterised by using FT-IR (Mattson 1000) and the 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra (Varian–Gemini 200 MHz) at 25°C $CDCl_3$ as solvent [25]. Density of PPCHEMA is 1.053 g cm^{-3} by picnometer measurement.

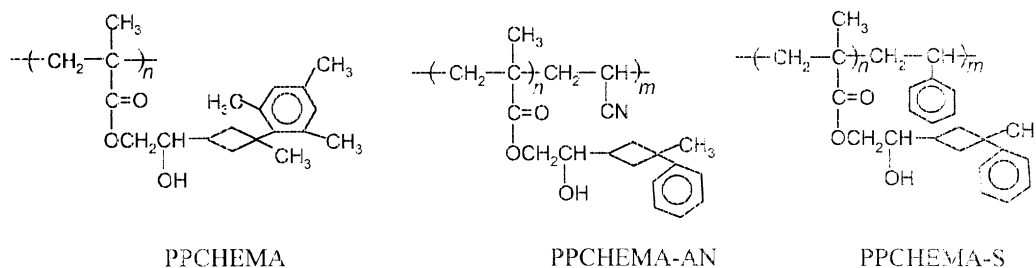
Table 1
Stationary phase and column descriptions

Column	Solvent THF (ml)	Polymer loading (% w/w)	Mass of support mass of the polymer (g)	Chromosorb WHP (g) + polymer (g)	Column length (cm)
PPCHEMA	25	7.80	0.2250	3.1250	110
PPCHEMA-AN	25	6.35	0.1715	2.8715	110
PPCHEMA-S	25	9.37	0.2403	2.8063	110

3.3. Copolymerization of the monomers

The monomer [2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], acrylonitrile and styrene were freed from inhibitor by washing with dilute KOH solution followed by reacting with distilled water and drying over anhydrous MgSO₄. Appropriate amounts of [2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], acrylonitrile and styrene and 1,4-dioxane and benzoyl peroxide (0.2% of the weight of the monomer) were placed into a reaction tube and purged with Ar for about 10 min. The sealed tube was kept at 60°C for 15 h. The PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S were purified by reprecipitation in *n*-hexane from 1,4-dioxane solution and finally dried under vacuum. The monomer compositions have been determined by ¹H NMR measurement. In the copolymer, the composition of [2-(3-phenyl-3-methylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and acrylonitrile and [2-(3-phenyl-3-methylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and styrene found as 55% and 45%, and 60% and 40%, respectively. The glass transition temperature of PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S are found about 104 and 102°C, respectively, by differential scanning calorimeter (DSC). Densities of PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S are 1.075 and 1.045 g cm⁻³, respectively, by picnometer measurement.

each temperature. Pressures at inlet and outlet of the column, read from a mercury manometer (mm Hg) were used to compute corrected retention volumes by the usual procedures. Flow rates were measured from the end of the column with a soap bubble flow meter. A flow rate of about 20 ml/min⁻¹ was used throughout our experiment. The spiral glass tubing was washed with methylene chloride and was annealed prior to use. Table 1 shows the description of these columns. Samples were achieved by dissolving certain weights of PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S in the THF solution and depositing them on the solid support [ChromosorbWHP(silicone OV-210 + siliconeOV-17,5 + 5%), (80–100 mesh)]. The solvent was removed by continuous stirring and slow evaporation under partial vacuum in a Rotary evaporator. The prepared material was packed into a spiral glass tubing (3.2 mm I.D. × 1.1 m) [6]. Column was conditioned at temperature above the glass transition temperature, *T*_g, and fast carrier gas (N₂) flow rate for 24 h prior to use. Probes were injected onto the column with 1 μl Hamilton syringes. Three consecutive injections were made for each probe at each set of measurements. An injection volume was selected 0.2 μl. The retention times of the probes were measured by using chromatopac CR6A, Shimadzu. Methane was synthesised in the laboratory by the reaction of sodium acetate with sodium hydroxide.



3.4. Instrumentation and procedure

A Shimadzu GC-14B model gas chromatography equipped with a dual flame ionisation detector, FID was used in the analysis. Dried nitrogen gas (research grade) was used as a carrier gas. Methane was used as a non-interacting marker to correct for dead volume in the column. The net retention time was determined from the positions of the peak maxima for methane and for the probe molecule at

4. Results and discussion

The specific retention volumes V_g^0 of 14 probes were obtained by using one loading poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and its copolymers at a series of temperatures (423, 433, 443, 453, 463 and 473 K). Different chemical nature and polarity (alcohols, acetates, ketones, aromatics and *n*-alkane) were selected for this study. The V_g^0 values of these probes

Table 2

The change of specific retention volumes V_g^0 (ml/g) of alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and alkanes using poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-acrylonitrile] and poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-styrene] as stationary phase at the various temperatures

Probe/ $T(K)$	PPCHEMA					PPCHEMA-AN					PPCHEMA-S			
	433	443	453	463	473	423	433	443	453	463	423	433	443	453
Methanol	4.85	4.72	4.74	4.41	4.08	5.82	5.36	5.22	4.88	4.59	5.50	4.54	3.67	3.39
Ethanol	5.11	5.02	4.97	4.56	4.34	6.21	5.70	5.27	5.10	4.75	4.80	4.05	3.70	3.68
Acetone	5.34	5.24	5.08	4.89	4.56	6.76	6.10	5.73	5.41	4.71	3.51	4.05	3.62	3.10
Ethyl methyl ketone (EMK)	7.13	6.96	6.48	6.16	5.85	7.73	6.95	6.50	5.77	5.36	4.93	4.65	4.06	3.94
Methyl acetate	5.42	5.30	5.29	5.02	4.78	6.37	5.56	5.22	4.92	4.89	3.51	3.51	3.23	3.10
Ethyl acetate	6.55	6.27	6.08	5.78	5.53	7.07	6.14	5.76	5.32	5.09	4.39	4.51	3.93	3.96
Benzene	7.88	7.09	6.93	6.46	5.90	8.07	6.78	6.41	6.06	5.66	6.32	7.08	6.41	5.58
Toluene	10.10	8.89	8.47	8.03	7.11	9.61	8.41	7.89	7.36	6.20	9.21	8.51	7.03	7.36
<i>o</i> -Xylene	16.16	13.52	12.22	10.39	9.78	14.33	11.87	10.05	9.14	6.16	23.31	18.91	15.68	13.22
<i>n</i> -Octane	6.98	6.49	6.35	5.90	5.48	7.47	6.75	6.31	5.70	5.52	8.16	7.08	6.46	5.99
<i>n</i> -Nonane	9.15	8.20	7.73	6.79	6.45	8.99	7.92	7.24	6.59	5.66	12.88	11.89	10.34	9.29
<i>n</i> -Decane	12.12	10.90	9.66	8.51	7.98	12.10	10.24	9.01	8.03	6.87	17.89	15.72	13.44	11.89
<i>n</i> -Undecane	17.46	14.71	12.25	10.89	9.41	16.32	13.29	10.96	9.38	7.92	27.68	24.72	18.35	13.92
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	25.16	21.39	18.31	15.63	12.40	23.50	18.53	14.62	12.75	10.00	27.91	25.66	20.39	16.72

were calculated according to Eq. (1). The specific retention volumes V_g^0 are given in Table 2. Such as shown in Table 2, V_g^0 values changed for each group solvents with temperature. That is, the specific retention volumes, V_g^0 , of the probes decreased with increasing temperature.

Ω_1^∞ and χ_{12}^∞ values obtained using Eqs. (2) and (7), respectively, are also collected in Tables 3 and 4. The partial molar free energy of mixing, ΔG_1^∞ , and the partial molar heats of mixing at infinite dilution of solutes, ΔH_1^∞ , calculated from Eqs. (3) and (4) are collected in Tables 5 and 6.

It has been proposed that Ω_1^∞ values greater than 5 are indicative of poor polymer-solute systems while lower values characterise good solubility for such a system [26]. Values of χ_{12}^∞ greater than 0.5 represent unfavourable polymer-solvent interactions while values lower than 0.5

indicate favourable interactions in dilute polymer solutions [27].

It will be seen that these values (in Table 3) acetates, ketones and methanol, ethanol, benzene, toluene (at high temperature) are good solvents but *n*-alkanes and *o*-xylene are non-solvents PPCHEMA. Acetates, ketones, and alcohols and benzene (at high temperature) are good solvents but *n*-alkanes, *o*-xylene and toluene are non-solvents for PPCHEMA-AN. All probes (except for acetates, at 453 K) are non-solvents for PPCHEMA-S.

Similarly, according to the interaction parameters, χ_{12}^∞ , acetates, ketones and ethanol, benzene, toluene (at high temperature) are good solvents but *n*-alkanes, methanol and *o*-xylene are non-solvents PPCHEMA. Acetates, ketones, and alcohols and benzene (at high temperature)

Table 3

Weight fraction activity coefficient Ω_1^∞ of poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and its copolymers-alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and *n*-alkanes systems

Probe/ $T(K)$	PPCHEMA				PPCHEMA-AN				PPCHEMA-S		
	433	443	453	463	433	443	453	463	433	443	453
Methanol	8.41	6.98	5.64	5.01	7.63	6.33	5.48	4.85	8.98	8.93	7.81
Ethanol	7.52	5.95	4.65	3.99	6.75	5.68	4.53	3.84	9.45	8.02	6.21
Acetone	5.46	4.70	4.14	3.69	6.01	5.39	4.86	4.75	7.15	6.71	6.64
EMK	5.95	5.03	4.55	4.05	6.10	5.38	5.09	4.62	9.05	8.51	7.37
Methyl acetate	4.35	3.80	3.27	2.99	4.24	3.86	3.50	3.06	6.61	6.16	5.42
Ethyl acetate	4.93	4.30	3.75	3.35	5.25	4.67	4.26	3.77	7.09	6.76	5.66
Benzene	6.73	6.09	5.10	4.52	7.50	6.72	5.80	5.13	7.68	6.72	6.29
Toluene	7.24	6.62	5.61	4.74	8.67	7.45	6.44	6.09	8.57	8.34	6.44
<i>o</i> -Xylene	8.85	8.42	7.42	7.09	11.91	11.19	9.80	9.00	7.57	7.29	6.87
<i>n</i> -Octane	11.94	10.34	8.61	7.62	12.35	10.63	9.57	8.14	11.78	10.39	9.12
<i>n</i> -Nonane	15.18	13.34	11.27	10.32	17.52	15.10	13.20	12.36	11.69	10.60	9.40
<i>n</i> -Decane	18.96	16.27	14.18	12.68	22.43	19.68	17.04	15.69	14.63	13.21	11.53
<i>n</i> -Undecane	21.80	19.38	17.78	15.43	28.63	25.99	23.20	21.20	18.38	15.54	15.05
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	25.03	21.60	18.71	16.58	33.98	31.60	26.85	25.88	24.55	22.66	20.48

Table 4

Solute interaction coefficients χ_{12}^∞ of poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-acrylonitrile] and poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-styrene]-alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and *n*-alkanes systems

Probe/ <i>T</i> (K)	PPCHEMA				PPCHEMA-AN				PPCHEMA-S		
	433	443	453	463	433	443	453	463	433	443	453
Methanol	0.725	0.523	0.289	0.147	0.651	0.449	0.286	0.133	0.831	0.815	0.665
Ethanol	0.581	0.331	0.059	-0.121	0.498	0.308	0.060	-0.136	0.853	0.676	0.400
Acetone	0.325	0.154	0.002	-0.145	0.218	0.004	-0.197	-0.219	0.785	0.564	0.536
EMK	0.374	0.193	0.077	-0.058	0.426	0.329	0.247	-0.105	0.842	0.772	0.615
Methyl acetate	0.195	0.036	-0.143	-0.266	0.195	-0.030	-0.135	-0.282	0.669	0.572	0.432
Ethyl acetate	0.291	0.139	-0.025	-0.155	0.382	0.111	0.013	-0.116	0.705	0.646	0.444
Benzene	0.586	0.478	0.288	0.154	0.762	0.605	0.448	0.313	0.733	0.619	0.545
Toluene	0.670	0.575	0.400	0.229	0.879	0.721	0.566	0.514	0.862	0.850	0.581
<i>o</i> -Xylene	0.837	0.781	0.648	0.596	1.171	1.103	0.965	0.923	0.720	0.673	0.610
<i>n</i> -Octane	0.932	0.781	0.586	0.463	0.992	0.836	0.720	0.556	0.958	0.826	0.685
<i>n</i> -Nonane	1.182	1.047	0.873	0.780	1.353	1.198	1.058	0.988	0.961	0.855	0.729
<i>n</i> -Decane	1.454	1.294	1.151	1.034	1.648	1.510	1.362	1.274	1.234	1.125	0.984
<i>n</i> -Undecane	1.623	1.498	1.405	1.258	1.922	1.818	1.698	1.602	1.375	1.325	1.317
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	1.777	1.622	1.471	1.343	2.109	2.029	1.859	1.815	1.797	1.710	1.602

are good solvents but *n*-alkanes, *o*-xylene and toluene are non-solvents for PPCHEMA-AN. All probes (except for acetates, at 453 K) are non-solvents for PPCHEMA-S. The interaction parameters, χ_{12}^∞ , the partial molar free energy of mixing, ΔG_1^∞ , and the weight fraction activity coefficients, Ω_1^∞ , were found to be dependent of the number of carbons in the series and temperature.

The interaction parameters, χ_{12}^∞ , the partial molar free energy of mixing, ΔG_1^∞ , the weight fraction activity coefficients, Ω_1^∞ , and the partial molar heats of mixing, ΔH_1^∞ , at infinite dilution of the solutes did show dependence with change in the number of carbons in the series (except for alcohols). That is, these values (χ_{12}^∞ , Ω_1^∞ , ΔG_1^∞ and ΔH_1^∞) increased with increasing in the number of carbons in the series. But, in all series,

χ_{12}^∞ , Ω_1^∞ , ΔG_1^∞ , the values decreased with increase in the column temperature.

ΔH_1^∞ values (at 443–453 K) of probes found from the slope of straight lines are shown in Fig. 1 (a)–(c) and are given in Table 6. ΔH_1^∞ values (at 443–453 K) of alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and *n*-hydrocarbons changed from 8.35 to 9.54 kcal/mol from 3.97 to 5.17 kcal/mol from 5.56 to 5.96 kcal/mol from 5.17 to 7.15 kcal/mol from 3.18 to 7.55 kcal/mol; 5.96 to 9.14 kcal/mol from 1.99 to 4.37 kcal/mol from 3.58 to 3.97 kcal/mol from 5.56 to 5.96 kcal/mol from 3.97 to 6.36 kcal/mol; 5.17 to 9.94 kcal/mol from 3.97 to 5.56 kcal/mol from 5.17 to 7.15 kcal/mol from 2.38 to 10.33 kcal/mol from 1.19 to 5.17 kcal/mol for PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S, respectively. Based upon these results the ones having ΔH_1^∞ low

Table 5

The Partial molar free energies of mixing, ΔG_1^∞ , (kcal/mol) poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and its copolymers-alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and *n*-alkanes systems at the various temperatures

Probe/ <i>T</i> (K)	PPCHEMA					PPCHEMA-AN					PPCHEMA-S			
	433	443	453	463	473	423	433	443	453	463	423	433	443	453
Methanol	1.83	1.71	1.56	1.48	1.42	1.83	1.77	1.62	1.53	1.45	1.88	1.89	1.93	1.85
Ethanol	1.74	1.57	1.38	1.27	1.11	1.74	1.64	1.53	1.36	1.24	1.95	1.93	1.83	1.64
Acetone	1.46	1.36	1.28	1.20	1.16	1.58	1.54	1.48	1.42	1.43	1.93	1.69	1.68	1.70
Ethyl methyl ketone (EMK)	1.53	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.22	1.60	1.56	1.48	1.47	1.41	1.98	1.90	1.89	1.80
Methyl acetate	1.27	1.18	1.07	1.01	0.95	1.26	1.24	1.19	1.13	1.03	1.74	1.63	1.60	1.52
Ethyl acetate	1.37	1.28	1.19	1.11	1.05	1.45	1.43	1.36	1.31	1.22	1.84	1.69	1.68	1.56
Benzene	1.64	1.59	1.47	1.39	1.33	1.76	1.73	1.68	1.58	1.50	1.96	1.73	1.68	1.66
Toluene	1.70	1.66	1.55	1.43	1.38	1.89	1.86	1.77	1.68	1.66	1.92	1.85	1.87	1.67
<i>o</i> -Xylene	1.88	1.88	1.80	1.80	1.72	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.05	2.02	1.73	1.74	1.75	1.74
<i>n</i> -Octane	2.13	2.06	1.94	1.87	1.81	2.13	2.16	2.08	2.03	1.93	2.15	2.12	2.06	1.99
<i>n</i> -Nonane	2.34	2.28	2.18	2.15	2.05	2.52	2.46	2.39	2.32	2.31	2.22	2.12	2.08	2.02
<i>n</i> -Decane	2.53	2.46	2.39	2.34	2.23	2.72	2.68	2.62	2.55	2.53	2.39	2.31	2.27	2.20
<i>n</i> -Undecane	2.65	2.61	2.59	2.52	2.48	2.91	2.89	2.87	2.83	2.81	2.46	2.51	2.42	2.44
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	2.77	2.71	2.64	2.58	2.61	3.05	3.03	3.04	2.96	2.99	2.91	2.75	2.75	2.72

Table 6

The partial molar enthalpy, ΔH_1^∞ , (kcal/mol) of poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate] and its copolymers-alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and *n*-alkanes systems at 443–453 K

	PPCHEMA	PPCHEMA-AN	PPCHEMA-S
Methanol	8.35	5.96	5.17
Ethanol	9.54	9.14	9.94
Acetone	5.17	4.37	3.97
Ethyl methyl ketone	3.97	1.99	5.56
Methyl acetate	5.96	3.97	5.17
Ethyl acetate	5.56	3.58	7.15
Benzene	7.15	5.96	2.78
Toluene	6.36	5.96	10.33
<i>o</i> -Xylene	5.17	5.56	2.38
<i>n</i> -Octane	7.55	3.97	5.17
<i>n</i> -Nonane	6.76	5.56	4.77
<i>n</i> -Decane	5.56	5.56	5.17
<i>n</i> -Undecane	3.18	4.77	1.19
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	5.56	6.36	3.97

values were accepted as solvent–polymer and the others were taken as non-solvents–polymer systems (except for *n*-undecane and *n*-dodecane values for PPCHEMA-S).

Baranyi and Guillet in their study determined that ΔH_1^∞ values for aromatic solvents changed from -0.01 to 0.3 cal/mol in PS and from 0.3 to 1.1 kcal/mol in PMA, respectively. These values for the same polymers were reported to change from 0.6 to 2.5 and 2.5 to 4.1 kcal/mol, respectively, in *n*-hydrocarbons. According to these result the ones having small ΔH_1^∞ values were suitable for solvent–polymer and the ones with large ΔH_1^∞ values are suitable for non-solvents–polymer systems [18].

The solubility parameter of a polymer, δ_2 , can be determined by using Eq. (9). The solubility parameter, δ_2 , is determined from either slope or intercept of a straight line obtained by plotting the left-hand-side of Eq. (9) versus δ_1 . The solubility parameter of PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S were evaluated from either the slope or intercept of Fig. 2 (I–III) as 6.95 (cal/cm³)^{0.5}, 6.94 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} at 443 K, respectively. The values of solubility parameters of PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S, δ_2 , decreased with increasing temperature (see Table 7).

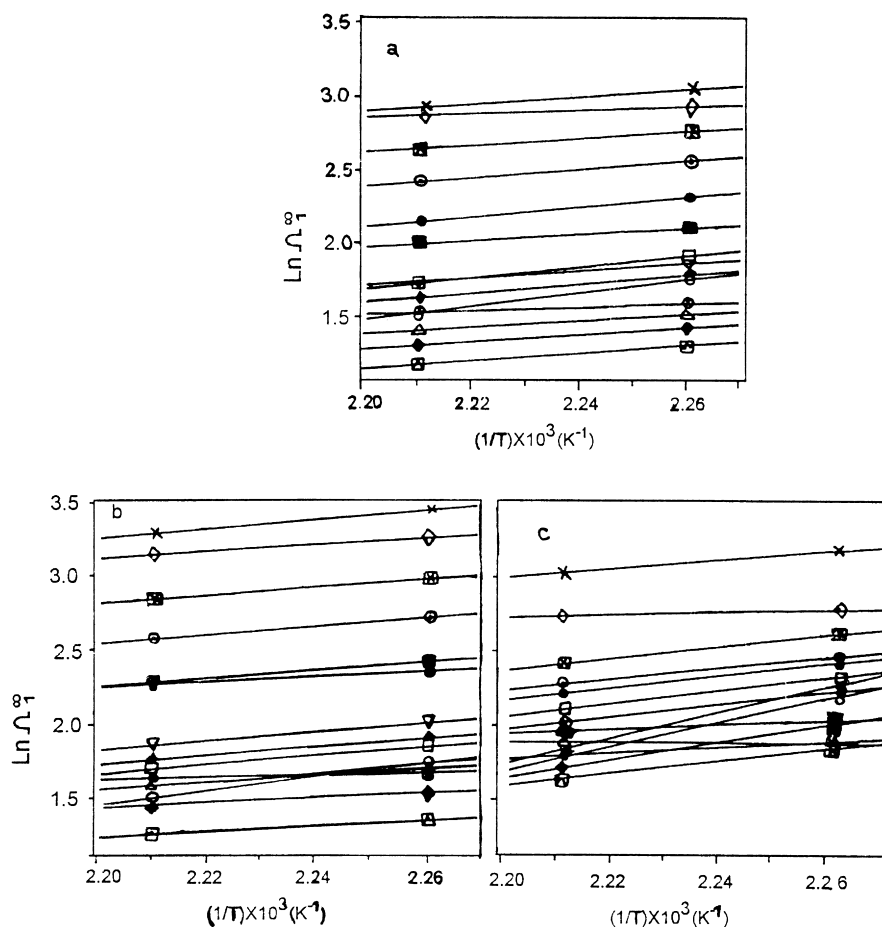


Fig. 1. Variation of logarithm of weight fraction activity coefficients, Ω_1^∞ with reciprocal of absolute column temperature, $1/T$ (K⁻¹) for some solutes on (a) PPCHEMA, (b) PPCHEMA-AN and (c) PPCHEMA-S: □: Methanol, ○: Ethanol, △: Acetone, ⊗: EMK., □: Methyl Acetate, ◆: Ethyl Acetate, ★: Benzene, ∇: Toluene, ■: *o*-Xylene, ●: *n*-Octane, ○: *n*-Nonane, □: *n*-Decane, ◇: *n*-Undecane, ×: *n*-Dodecane

Table 7

Variation of the solubility parameters δ_2 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate], poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-acrylonitrile] and poly[2-(3-methyl-3-phenylcyclobutyl)-2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate-styrene] at temperature 433–453 K

	<i>T</i> (K)	Slope	Intercept	Cal. from slope	Cal. from intercept	<i>r</i>
PPCHEMA	433	0.0163	−0.0573	7.01	7.02	0.995
	443	0.0150	−0.0560	6.60	7.02	0.994
	453	0.0130	−0.0532	5.85	6.92	0.990
PPCHEMA-AN	433	0.0164	−0.0594	7.06	7.15	0.991
	443	0.0150	−0.0562	6.60	7.03	0.991
	453	0.0135	−0.0522	6.08	6.85	0.985
PPCHEMA-S	433	0.0152	−0.0544	6.54	6.84	0.993
	443	0.0140	−0.0511	6.16	6.71	0.994
	453	0.0124	−0.0480	5.58	6.57	0.993

Kaya et al. [4] has determined the solubility parameters of poly(methyl methacrylate), poly(ethyl methacrylate), poly(isobutyl methacrylate) and poly(*t*-butyl methacrylate) were found to be 6.85, 5.99, 6.02, 6.45 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} using Eq. (9) at 453 K.

The solubility parameters were determined as the mean of the upper limits and lower limits of the solubility parameters using pairs of solvent–non-solvent. The following solubility parameters were found to be 9.45 (cal/cm³)^{0.5}, 9.25 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} and 9.15 (cal/cm³)^{0.5}

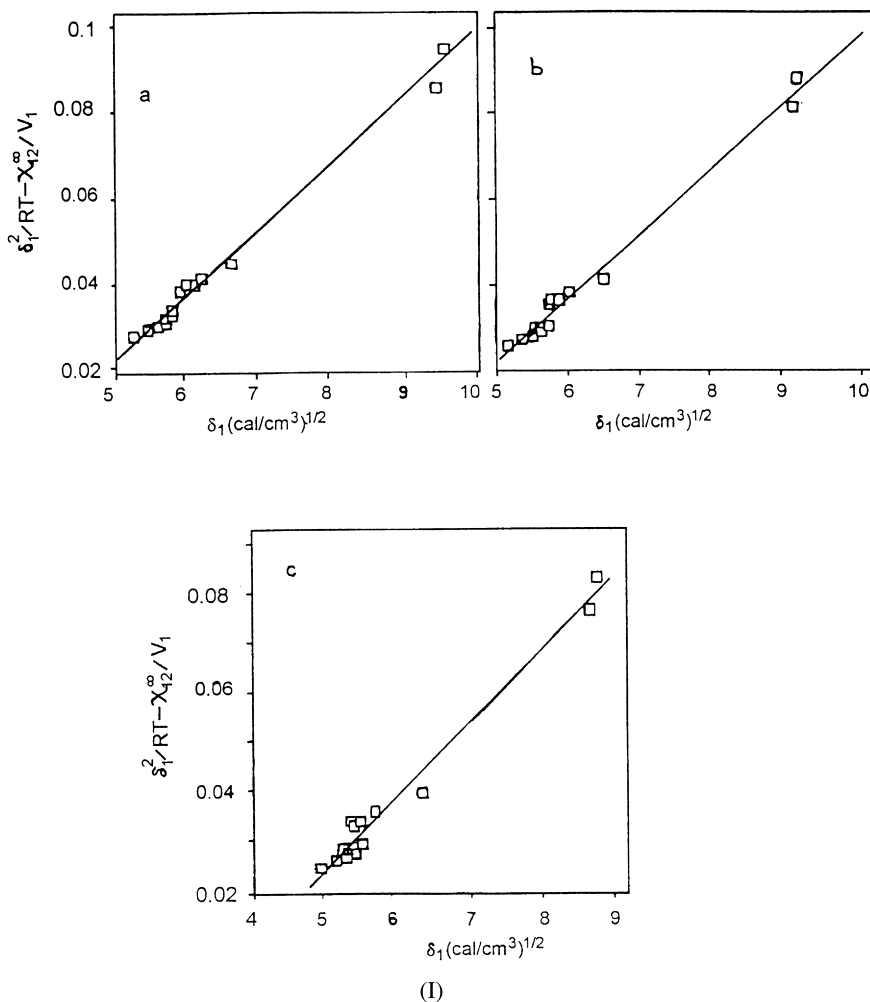


Fig. 2. I Variation of the term $[(\delta_1^2/RT) - \chi_{12}^\infty/V_1]$ with solubility parameters of the solutes, δ_1 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} at temperatures (a) = 433 K; (b) = 453 K; and (c) = 463 K (for PPCHEMA). II Variation of the term $[(\delta_1^2/RT) - \chi_{12}^\infty/V_1]$ with solubility parameters of the solutes, δ_1 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} at temperatures (a) = 433 K; (b) = 453 K; and (c) = 463 K (for PPCHEMA-AN). III Variation of the term $[(\delta_1^2/RT) - \chi_{12}^\infty/V_1]$ with solubility parameters of the solutes, δ_1 (cal/cm³)^{0.5} at temperatures (a) = 433 K; (b) = 443 K; and (c) = 453 K (for PPCHEMA-S).

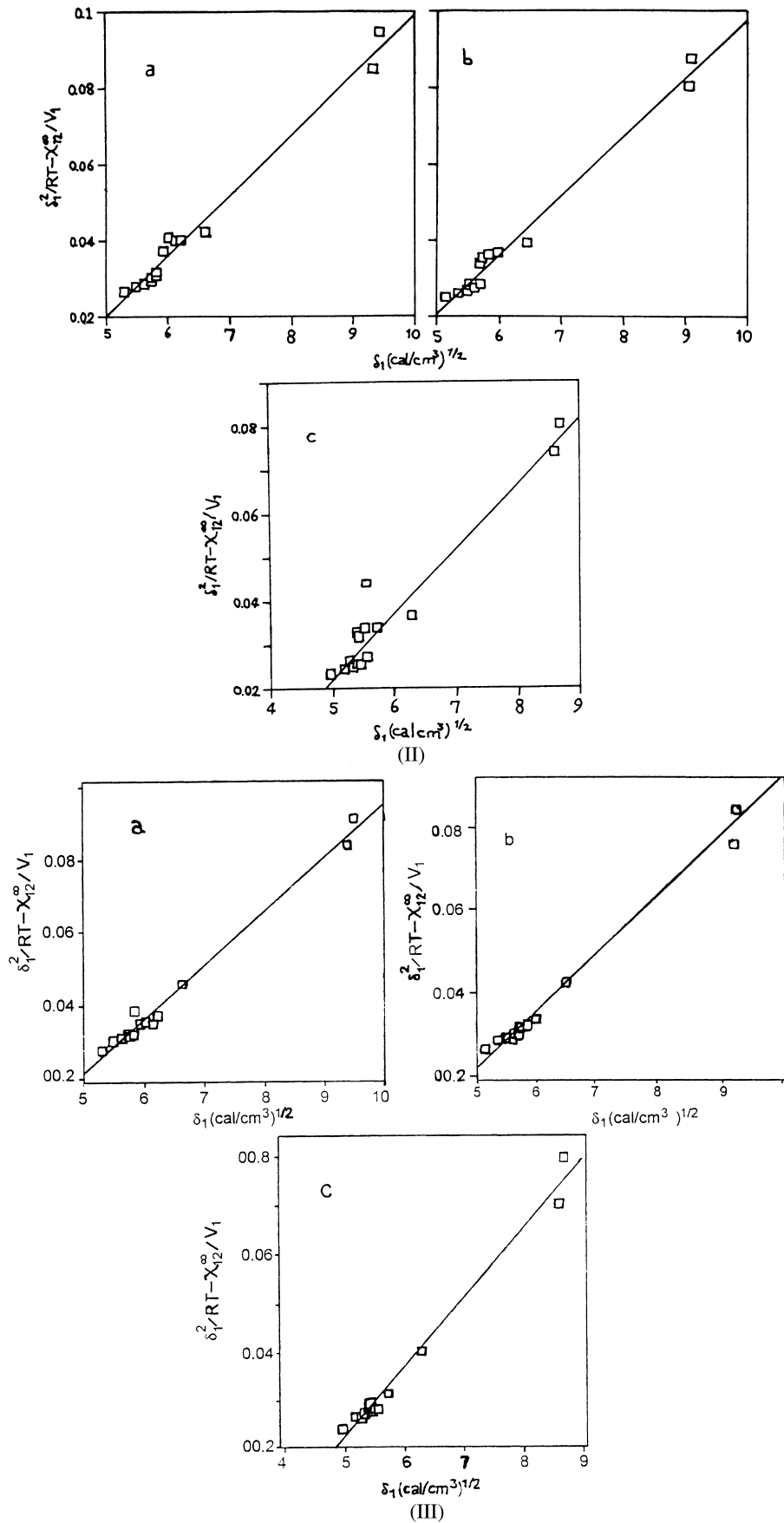


Fig. 2. (continued)

for PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S, respectively.

5. Conclusion

Inverse gas chromatography technique was successfully applied to determine the glass transition temperature of PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S and the Flory–Huggins interaction parameters, χ_{12}^{∞} , the partial molar free energy of mixing, ΔG_1^{∞} , the weight fraction activity coefficients, Ω_1^{∞} , and the partial molar heats of mixing, ΔH_1^{∞} , at infinite dilution of the solutes of alcohols, ketones, acetates, aromatics and alkanes on PPCHEMA, PPCHEMA-AN and PPCHEMA-S and the solubility parameter of a polymer, δ_2 . The results obtained are in good agreement with that of polymer–solvents and polymer–non-solvents systems. The technique is relatively uncomplicated and the data reduction is carried out by a computer.

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