# Isentropic Compressibilities of Alcohol-Water Mixtures at 25°C

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The sound velocities of aqueous solutions of methanol, ethanol, 2-propanol, tertbutanol and 2-butoxyethanol (BE) were measured over the whole mole fraction range at 25°C. The isentropic apparent and partial molar compressibilities,  $\phi_{K,S}$ and  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  were derived from these data. In the case of BE, the isothermal partial molar compressibilities were also calculated.  $\phi_{K,S}$  and  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  for all alcohols except BE initially decrease slightly with the mole fraction and then increase sharply, especially with the higher members, to the value of the pure liquid. In the case of BE,  $\phi_{K,S}$  and  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  do not go through an initial minimum and the latter goes through a sharp maximum. The compressibilities of water in these mixtures are significantly lower than those of pure water itself. These data can be correlated with other properties and are consistent with the existence of microphase transitions in these aqueous organic mixtures.

KEY WORDS: Alcohols; methanol; ethanol; 2-propanol; tert-butanol; 2butoxyethanol; ultrasonic velocities; compressibilities;

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

It has been known for many years that alcohol-water mixtures show unusual properties in the water-rich region.<sup>(1-5)</sup> Systematic studies in our laboratory indicate that trends in partial molar heat capacities and volumes of alcohols such as *tert*-butanol,<sup>(6)</sup> 2-propanol<sup>(9)</sup> and 2butoxyethanol<sup>(8)</sup> are similar to those of micellar systems, suggesting that these aqueous-organic mixtures probably undergo some microphase transitions. These microheterogeneities may well be related to the important role of alcohols in microemulsions. As a matter of fact, even without surfactants, ternary systems of simple alcohols, water and

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hydrocarbons have some of the characteristic features<sup>(9-11)</sup> of microemulsions. For example, benzene seems to dissolve preferentially in the alcohol microphases and, by doing so, further stabilizes them.<sup>(10,11)</sup> Surfactants also have a large effect on the thermodynamic stability of these microstructures.<sup>(12)</sup>

In a continuing study of the role of alcohols in microemulsions the isentropic compressibilities of various solutes in alcohol-water mixtures are being investigated. For this purpose, precise data are required for the binary alcohol-water mixtures. Such data are scarce for the alcohols we were interested in, namely 2-propanol, *tert*-butanol, and 2butoxyethanol. They were therefore determined carefully over the whole mole fraction region. At the time this study was initiated there was also disagreement in the literature on the compressibilities of simpler alcohols such as methanol and ethanol. Since then reliable data on these two alcohols have been published.<sup>(13)</sup> We will still report our data on these alcohols since they can be used as a test of the accuracy of our measurements, and they will give a better overview of the trends in the compressibilities as the size of the alcohol molecules increases.

### 2. EXPERIMENTAL

The isentropic compressibilities were derived from sound velocities measured with a NUSONIC velocimeter (Mapco, model 6105) based on the 'sing-around' technique.<sup>(14)</sup> The cell was the same as described elsewhere.<sup>(15)</sup> The temperature was controlled with a SODEV thermostat and its value measured with a Hewlett-Packard Quartz thermometer as  $25.00\pm0.01$ °C.

The sound velocities u in m-s<sup>-1</sup> are obtained from the frequencies f with the relation

$$u = A (1 + \alpha t) / (7/f - 10^{6}B)$$
 (1)

where A and B are the cell constants,  $\alpha$  the coefficient of thermal expansion of the probe and t the temperature in °C. The values of A and B were obtained by calibration of the probe with deionized, degassed and distilled water at different temperatures, using the data of Del Grosso and Mader.<sup>(16)</sup>

The isentropic compressibilities  $\beta_s$  in bar<sup>-1</sup> were derived from

$$\beta_{\rm s} = 100/u^2 d \tag{2}$$

Table I. Sound Velocities and Isentropic Compressibilities ofAlcohol-Water Mixtures at 25°

| $X_{\rm A} u^a \beta_{\rm S}^b$  | $\phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{S}}^{c}\phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{W}}^{c}$  | X <sub>A</sub> u   | $\beta_{s}^{b}$   | $\phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{S}}^{c}\phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{W}}^{c}$   | X <sub>A</sub>  | u <sup>a</sup> f   | $\beta_{\rm S}^{\ b}\phi_{\rm K,S}^{\ c}\phi_{\rm K,S}$   | c<br>,W                                      |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| MeOH   |   |  | BE  |  |   | 2-P1   | ЮН  |  |
| 0.00167 1498.26 4.47<br>0.00467 1500.42 4.46<br>0.01016 1504.36 4.45<br>0.01948 1511.13 4.42<br>0.03684 1523.95 4.37<br>0.06848 1543.72 4.29<br>0.08942 1554.60 4.26   | 1.21 0.80<br>1.21 0.79<br>1.20 0.78<br>1.18 0.75<br>1.15 0.69<br>1.17 0.58<br>1.20 0.50   | 0.00295 151<br>0.00589 152<br>0.00877 153<br>0.01166 155<br>0.01739 155<br>0.02337 154<br>0.03004 153  | 1.99 4.39<br>6.18 4.31<br>9.16 4.24<br>0.42 4.18<br>6.02 4.16<br>2.26 4.24<br>0.56 4.32   | 0.06 0.80<br>0.21 0.78<br>0.36 0.76<br>0.58 0.74<br>1.82 0.71<br>3.44 0.69<br>4.43 0.68  | 0.00243<br>0.00548<br>0.00965<br>0.01850<br>0.03140<br>0.04840<br>0.06930   | 1504.25<br>1513.35<br>1525.62<br>1550.95<br>1584.52<br>1616.23<br>1623.76                            | 0.44 0.61 0.   1.39 0.49 0.   1.33 0.48 0.   0.21 0.48 0.   0.66 0.53 0.   1.93 0.81 0.   5.92 1.40 0.   1.42 7.7 0.  | 79<br>77<br>67<br>58<br>46<br>34             |
| 0.11130 1569.80 4.22<br>0.13780 1569.80 4.22<br>0.16210 1571.76 4.23<br>0.18250 1569.88 4.26<br>0.20530 1565.72 4.31<br>0.23470 1556.58 4.37<br>0.26310 1544.60 4.49<br>0.33890 1502.51 4.83                       | 1.30 0.32<br>1.36 0.24<br>1.43 0.17<br>1.50 0.09<br>1.60 -0.02<br>1.70 -0.12<br>1.96 -0.39  | 0.03948 151<br>0.04485 151<br>0.05101 150<br>0.06254 149<br>0.06361 149<br>0.08031 149<br>0.09896 146<br>0.10686 146   | 7.48 4.41<br>0.90 4.46<br>4.32 4.50<br>3.07 4.59<br>2.02 4.60<br>2.00 4.62<br>6.41 4.81<br>1.76 4.85  | 5.52 0.67<br>5.72 0.66<br>6.11 0.65<br>6.14 0.64<br>6.65 0.59<br>6.73 0.58   | 0.12060 1<br>0.15630 1<br>0.20140 1<br>0.22680 1<br>0.22680 1<br>0.28250 1<br>0.3830 1                            | 1553.34<br>1503.84<br>1479.03<br>1450.75<br>1426.13<br>1401.36<br>1379.87                            | 1.38 2.97 0.1<br>1.75 2.68 0.1<br>1.95 2.97 -0.1<br>1.95 2.97 -0.1<br>1.95 4.29 -0.1<br>1.44 4.56 -0.1<br>1.70 4.83 -0.1<br>1.94 5.02 -0.1<br>1.94 5.02 -0.1                        | 17<br>07<br>02<br>04<br>10<br>16<br>22<br>28 |
| 0.3/3/0 1461.98 4.18<br>0.4010 1461.98 4.18<br>0.43140 1442.12 5.36<br>0.47180 1414.72 5.63<br>0.49620 1396.58 5.81<br>0.56710 1351.19 6.38<br>0.4670 1285.10 7.15<br>0.72090 1253.33 7.61<br>0.77205 1220.95 8.11 | 2.08 -0.51<br>2.17 -0.61<br>2.27 -0.73<br>2.40 -0.88<br>2.49 -0.99<br>2.71 -1.27<br>3.06 -1.71<br>3.23 -1.94<br>3.42 -2.19  | 0.15125 144<br>0.19010 142<br>0.27713 140<br>0.29197 139<br>0.31190 139<br>0.33880 138<br>0.38670 137<br>0.41780 137   | 11.15 5.04<br>26.65 5.17<br>91.15 5.43<br>77.44 5.47<br>72.73 5.53<br>16.75 5.58<br>16.75 5.68<br>1.40 5.74   | 7.04 0.54<br>7.16 0.52<br>7.45 0.46<br>7.50 0.34<br>7.57 0.33<br>7.61 0.31<br>7.70 0.27<br>7.76 0.20   | 0.32970 1<br>0.34600 1<br>0.35810 1<br>0.37090 1<br>0.37750 1<br>0.46530 1<br>0.55270 1<br>0.66160 1              | 1347.88 (<br>1337.79 (<br>1330.76 (<br>1324.22 (<br>1320.79 (<br>1281.84 (<br>1249.62 (<br>1216.85 ( | 5.30 5.33 -0.<br>5.42 5.42 -0.<br>5.51 5.49 -0.<br>6.60 5.55 -0.<br>7.21 5.97 -0.<br>7.71 6.28 -0.<br>7.21 6.63 -1.   | 33<br>37<br>40<br>43<br>45<br>66<br>89<br>20 |
| 0.82450 1190.29 8.64<br>0.91090 1143.62 9.54<br>0.94840 1123.76 9.96<br>0.97320 1111.02 10.24<br>0.9820 1104.52 10.39<br>1.00000 1097.70 10.55   | 3.62 -2.43<br>3.94 -2.83<br>4.09 -3.00<br>4.19 -3.10<br>4.24 -3.13<br>4.30 0.00   | 0.49390 135<br>0.61130 134<br>0.74130 132<br>0.83100 131<br>0.91370 130<br>1.00000 130   | iB.55 5.90<br>i1.61 6.09<br>i5.75 6.28<br>i6.44 6.37<br>i8.86 6.49<br>i1.96 6.58  | 7.95 0.16<br>8.14 0.10<br>8.34 -0.02<br>8.41 -0.13<br>8.57 -0.35<br>8.67 0.00  | 0.72850 1<br>0.80700 1<br>0.88230 1<br>0.96420 1<br>0.97260 1<br>0.97260 1<br>0.98140 1<br>0.99010 1<br>0.99940 1 | 1199.11 E<br>1180.33 E<br>1162.81 9<br>1143.72 9<br>1141.68 9<br>1137.56 9<br>1137.42 9<br>1134.80 9 | 1,62   6.84   -1.4     1,99   7.05   -1.5     7,35   7.27   -2.6     7,75   7.52   -2.6     7,75   7.55   -3.5     8,84   7.58   -3.6     8,89   7.61   -3.6     8,99   7.65   -1.6 | 40<br>72<br>09<br>84<br>99<br>23<br>85<br>4  |
| t-BuOH   |   |  | EtOH  |  | 1.00000 1   | 1134.26 10   | .00 7.70 0.0  | 00   |
| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$   | $\begin{array}{cccc} 0.64 & 0.81 \\ 0.34 & 0.81 \\ 0.25 & 0.80 \\ 0.36 & 0.79 \\ 0.18 & 0.78 \\ 0.22 & 0.73 \\ 0.23 & 0.73 \\ 0.23 & 0.73 \\ 0.31 & 0.56 \\ 0.80 & 0.46 \\ 0.31 & 0.56 \\ 0.80 & 0.46 \\ 1.86 & 0.37 \\ 2.67 & 0.33 \\ 2.61 & 0.32 \\ 4.17 & 0.24 \\ 5.52 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.09 \\ 5.82 & 0.12 \\ 6.90 & 0.24 \\ 7.94 & -0.68 \\ 8.29 & -0.87 \\ 7.44 & -0.54 \\ 7.94 & -0.68 \\ 8.29 & -0.87 \\ 8.4 & -1.18 \\ 9.17 & -1.37 \\ 9.70 & -1.42 \\ 9.70 & -1.42 \\ 9.73 & 0.00 \\ \end{array}$ | 0.00705 150<br>0.02201 153<br>0.03835 156<br>0.050341 155<br>0.09076 162<br>0.11450 165<br>0.20940 154<br>0.20940 154<br>0.27700 144<br>0.33910 143<br>0.49880 133<br>0.58590 125<br>0.70296 115<br>0.92180 114<br>1.00000 113 | 19.60   4.42     14.20   4.16     14.20   4.16     14.20   4.16     16.27   4.07     10.31   3.74     14.22   44     31.47   4.67     31.47   4.67     31.49   4.53     31.40   4.43     31.40   4.47     31.40   4.57     31.40   4.59     31.40   4.59     31.40   4.59     31.40   7.08     15.20   7.08     16.20   7.81     16.20   7.81     17.79   9.62     36.45   9.86 | 0.89 0.77<br>0.84 0.70<br>0.84 0.61<br>0.88 0.53<br>1.40 0.24<br>2.07 0.04<br>3.36 -0.43<br>3.75 -0.67<br>4.06 -0.43<br>5.19 -2.32<br>5.48 -2.76<br>5.64 -3.76<br>5.64 -3.76<br>5.64 -3.76 |   |  |   |  |

<sup>a</sup>Units, m-s<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>b</sup>Units, 10<sup>-5</sup> bar<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>c</sup>Units, 10<sup>-3</sup> cm<sup>3</sup>-bar<sup>-1</sup>-mol<sup>-1</sup>.



Fig. 1. Excess sound velocities of methanol- and ethanol-water mixtures at 25°C:  $\blacksquare$  and  $\blacktriangle$ , present data;  $\Box$  and  $\triangle$ , Kiyohara and Benson<sup>(10)</sup>.

where d is the solution densities in g-cm<sup>-3</sup>. These densities were generally available from previous studies<sup>(6-8)</sup> or else were determined with a SODEV flow densimeter.

All aqueous solutions were prepared by weight using deionized distilled water (Continental Deionizer).

The alcohols, methanol (M) (Fisher Spectra Analyzed), ethanol (E) and 2-propanol (P), both from Fisher ACS certified, and *tert*butanol (*t*-B) (Baker analyzed reagent) were used as such after drying over 4 Å molecular sieves (Davidson Chemicals). 2-Butoxyethanol (BE) (Baker Chemicals) was redistilled and kept over molecular sieves. The water content of all of the alcohols was determined by Karl Fischer titration.

#### 3. RESULTS

The sound velocities and derived isentropic compressibilities are given in Table I. It is customary to express the sound velocities as excess functions, *i.e.* 

| Solute | $10^{3} \overline{K}_{S,A}^{\circ}$<br>cm <sup>3</sup> -bar <sup>-1</sup> -mol <sup>-1</sup> | $10^{3} A_{\rm K,S}$<br>cm <sup>3</sup> -bar <sup>-1</sup> -mol <sup>-2</sup> -kg | $10^{3} K_{S,A}^{*}$<br>cm <sup>3</sup> -bar <sup>-1</sup> -mol <sup>-1</sup> |
|--------|--|---|---|
| м      | 1.25<br>1.26 (14)<br>1.26 (21)<br>1.25 (13)<br>1.26 (22)                                     | -0.031  | 4.30<br>(4.24) (21)<br>4.30 (13)  |
| Ξ      | 0.99<br>0.99 (20)<br>1.00 (21)<br>0.98 (13)<br>1.00 (22)                                     | -0.22   | 5.78<br>5.74 (13)   |
| p      | 0.62<br>0.61 (23)<br>1.10 (20)<br>0.61 (22)  | -0.31   | 7.70<br>(7.61) (17)   |
| t-B    | 0.38<br>0.75 (20)<br>0.55 (24)   | -1.44   | 9.93<br>9.55 (3)  |
| BE     | -0.12<br>-0.04 (19)  | 1.05<br>1.25 (19)   | 8.67  |

**Table II.** Isentropic Compessibilities of Alcohol-Water Mixtures at 25°C

$$\Delta u = u - X_{\rm A} u_{\rm A} - (1 - X_{\rm A}) u_{\rm W} \tag{3}$$

where A and W stand for alcohol and water. Our data for M and E are compared in Fig. 1 with the precise values of Kiyohara and Benson.<sup>(13)</sup> Except in the region of the maximum, where differences of about 2 percent are observed, the agreement is inside the experimental uncertainty which can be evaluated as  $\pm 0.05$  m-s<sup>-1</sup> on  $\Delta u$ . The values of u for pure M and E were found to be 1097.70 and 1136.65 m-s<sup>-1</sup>, which can also be compared with those of Kiyohara and Benson, 1097.57 and 1141.20 m-s<sup>-1</sup>.

The  $\Delta u$  data for P, t-B and BE are shown in Fig. 2. Some literature data are available, mostly below  $X_p = 0.2$ , for P<sup>(17)</sup> and reasonably good agreement is observed. For pure P, u = 1134.26 compared with



**Fig. 2.** Excess sound velocities of 2-propanol-, *tert*-butanol-, and 2-butoxyethanol-water mixtures at 25°C:  $\bullet$ ,  $\blacksquare$  and  $\blacktriangle$ , present data;  $\triangle$ , Tamura *et al.*<sup>(13)</sup>;  $\Box$ , Brunn *et al.*<sup>(17)</sup>

1138.09 m-s<sup>-1. (17)</sup> With *t*-B some difficulties arise in calculating  $\Delta u$  since pure *t*-B is a solid at 25°C, and  $u_{tB}$  has to be obtained by extrapolation. This can account for the large differences with the data<sup>(3)</sup> of Tamura *et al.* at high  $X_{tB}$ . Their  $u_{tB}$  is 1129.00 compared with our value of 1108.22 m-s<sup>-1</sup>. With the exception of the dilute region,<sup>(19)</sup> and a few points in the intermediate region,<sup>(18)</sup> no literature data could be found for  $\Delta u$  of BE. Our  $u_{BE}$  is 1301.96 m-s<sup>-1</sup> for the pure liquid.

The apparent molar isentropic compressibilities  $\phi_{K,S}$  of the alcohol can be calculated from  $\beta_S$  in the usual way from

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$$\phi_{\rm K,S} = \beta_{\rm S} \phi_{\rm V} + 1000 \ (\beta_{\rm S} - \beta_{\rm S,0}) \ / \ m_{\rm A} d_{\rm o} \tag{4}$$

or

$$\phi_{\mathrm{K},\mathrm{S}} = \beta_{\mathrm{S}}\phi_{\mathrm{V}} + X_{\mathrm{W}}M_{\mathrm{W}}/X_{\mathrm{A}} \left(\beta_{\mathrm{S}} - \beta_{\mathrm{S},\mathrm{O}}\right) \tag{5}$$

where  $\phi_V$  is the apparent molar volume,  $\beta_{S,O}$  the isentropic compressibility of pure water,  $m_A$  the molality of A and  $M_W$  the molecular weight of water. These  $\phi_{K,S}$  can be converted into isentropic compressibilities of mixing  $\Delta K_{S,m}$  by

$$\Delta K_{\rm S,m} = X_{\rm A} \left( \phi_{\rm K,S} - K_{\rm S,A}^* \right) \tag{6}$$

where  $K_{S,A}$  is the molar isentropic compressibility of the pure alcohol. Also,  $\phi_{K,S}$  can be converted into partial molar isentropic compressibilities from

$$\overline{K}_{S,A} = \phi_{K,S} + X_W X_A \left( \partial \phi_{K,S} / \partial X_A \right)_{T,P}$$
(7)

or from a plot of  $\Delta(\phi_Y X_A/X_W)/\Delta(X_A/X_W)$  against the mean mole fraction of A.

The values of  $\phi_{K,S}$  are given in Table I and are shown in the dilute region for the five alcohols in Fig. 3. The  $\phi_{K,S}$  data can be extrapolated to infinite dilution,  $\phi_{K,S}^{o} = \overline{K}_{S,A}^{o}$ , from a linear regression using the relation

$$\phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{S}} = \phi_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{S}}^{\circ} + A_{\mathbf{K},\mathbf{S}}\mathbf{m} \tag{8}$$

A summary of the parameters  $\overline{K}_{S,A}^{\circ}$ ,  $A_{K,S}$  and  $K_{S,A}^{*}$  is given in Table II. The agreement with the available literature values is generally good considering that some of these data were extrapolated from relatively high concentrations. From this comparison, our  $\phi_{K,S}^{\circ}$  values can probably be considered reliable to  $\pm 10^{-5}$  cm<sup>3</sup>-bar<sup>-1</sup>-mol<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 4. DISCUSSION

#### 4.1. Sound Velocities

The excess sound velocities in Fig. 1 and 2 go through a maximum, and this maximum becomes sharper and moves towards the water-rich region as the hydrophobic character of the alcohol increases. These maxima occur at 0.016, 0.045, 0.058, 0.125, and 0.166 mole frac-



Fig. 3. Apparent molar isentropic compressibilities of alcohols in water at 25°C.

tion respectively for BE, t-B, P, E, and M, respectively. Andrea et al. proposed that this maximum in the velocity could be a measure of the breakdown of the water structure around the solute.<sup>(25)</sup> This is somewhat consistent with the light scattering studies of Iwasaki and Fujiyama,<sup>(5)</sup> from which the authors suggest that a clathrate of average composition t-B (H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>21</sub> exists at concentrations  $X_{eB} < 1/22$ . This critical concentration corresponds to that of the maximum sound velocity. Therefore, if we accept that the maximum corresponds to the maximum concentration where all the water is held in clathrate-like structures on a time average, then the ratio of alcohol to water in these complexes would be 1/5, 1/7, 1/16, 1/21, and 1/61, respectively, when going from M to BE. At higher concentrations, the hydrocarbon chains of any additional alcohol are essentially unsolvated. These ratios therefore give some idea of the extent of hydrophobic hydration of these solutes.

#### 4.2. Apparent and Partial Molar Isentropic Compressibilities

The molar isentropic compressibilities  $K_{S,A}^*$  of the pure alcohols,

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given in Table II, increase as the size of the alcohol increases. On the other hand, the values of  $\overline{K}_{S,A}^{o}$  decrease as the number of carbon atoms increase. The same general observation has been made for the corresponding *n*-alcohols.<sup>(21,23)</sup> The difference  $\overline{K}_{S,A}^{o} - K_{S,A}^{*}$  is always negative, and its magnitude increases significantly with the size of the solute. This difference can be taken as a measure of the contribution of hydrophobic hydration to this property. Most clathrate or 'iceberg' models for hydrophobic hydration can account for the sign and trends of these differences.<sup>21,26,27)</sup>

As seen from Fig. 3 and Table II, except for BE,  $\phi_{K,S}$  in the water-rich region decreases initially with increasing mole fraction. This, however, is not generally true. While  $\overline{K}_{S,A}^{\circ}$  for *n*-propanol and for *n*butanol<sup>(21,25)</sup> have approximately the same values as P and t-B,  $\phi_{K,S}$  of these normal alcohols initially increases with mole fraction. BE would fall in this latter category. To understand these trends in the initial slopes, a comparison should be made with apparent molar volumes  $\phi_{\rm v}$ and heat capacities  $\phi_{\rm C}$ . In the case of volumes  $\overline{V}_{\rm A}^{\circ} - V_{\rm A}^{*}$  are negative and  $d\phi_{\rm v}/dX_{\rm A}$  are also negative. This negative initial slope can be interpreted with various models, such as the cosphere overlap concept.<sup>(28)</sup> Since the origin of the negative sign of  $\overline{K}^{o}_{S,A} - \overline{K}^{*}_{S,A}$  and  $\overline{V}^{o}_{A} - \overline{V}^{*}_{A}$  is essentially the same, *i.e.* loss of free space due to hydrophobic hydration, the negative sign of  $d\phi_{K,S}/dX_A$  could also be interpreted through the cosphere overlap model. Or else, since  $\phi_{\rm K} = -(\partial \phi_{\rm K}/\partial P)$ , it can be concluded that the structural interactions leading to the negative  $d\phi_v/dX_h$  are decreasing with increasing pressure. It is generally admitted that pressure breaks down the structure of water. The observed negative initial slope with some of the alcohols is therefore the normal expected behavior.

In the case of heat capacities  $d\phi_C/dX$  are sometimes positive and sometimes negative depending on the hydrophobic solute. The positive slope is generally attributed to the relaxational contribution to  $\phi_C$ ,<sup>(6,7,8,29,30)</sup> *i.e.* the shift in equilibrium when the temperature is increased by one degree. There will also be a relaxational contribution to  $\phi_K$  which would be positive. The positive values of  $d\phi_{K,S}/dX_A$  for BE and the larger normal alcohols is probably a consequence of the predominence of the relaxational contribution. It is not clear however why this contribution would be more important for straight chain alcohols than branched ones.

The values of  $\phi_{K,S}$  of M change very gradually over the whole mole fraction range. This is often taken as evidence that M forms hydrogen bonds with water and thus participates in the water



Fig. 4. Excess partial molar isentropic compressibilities of alcohols in water at 25°C.

structure.<sup>(1,20)</sup> For the larger alcohols,  $\phi_{K,S}$  increases rapidly with  $X_A$ beyond a certain concentration. These trends become evident if  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  is plotted against  $X_A$ , as shown in Fig. 4. As the hydrophobic character increases, the transition becomes very well defined. A careful analysis of the data for BE shows that  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  goes through a sharp maximum in the transition region as shown in Fig. 5. The possibility that this maximum could be an artifact resulting from the data fitting of  $\phi_{K,S}$  cannot be excluded and the trends drawn in Fig. 4 were those corresponding to the dotted line in Fig. 5. However, recent theoretical calculations of thermodynamic functions based on an association model<sup>(31)</sup> do in fact predict such a sharp maximum for  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  resulting from the relaxational The recent sound velocities of Nishikawa et.al.<sup>(18)</sup> contribution. although less precise than the present ones, also seem to support the existence of such a maximum for  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  of BE in water. The sharp increase in  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  is strong evidence for the existence of a microphase transition for the higher members of these alcohols, as previously suggested from volume and heat capacity studies.<sup>(6-8)</sup> Beyond the transition zone, the values of  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  are essentially those of the pure alcohols. This implies that the hydrophobic part of the alcohol 'sees' only other alcohol molecules, in agreement with the existence of microphases.



Fig. 5. Partial molar isentropic and isothermal compressibilities of 2-butoxyethanol in water at 25°C.

These microphases could be essentially non-solvated alcohol molecules, as suggested by Iwasaki and Fujiyama,<sup>(5)</sup> or could be aggregates similar to micelles.<sup>(4,12)</sup>

#### 4.3. Isothermal Compressibilities

The more fundamental thermodynamic quantity is the isothermal rather than the isentropic compressibility. The isothermal  $\phi_{\rm K}$  can readily be calculated from the isentropic values if volumes,  $\phi_{\rm v}$ , expansibilities,  $\phi_{\rm E}$ , and heat capacities,  $\phi_{\rm C}$ , are available.<sup>(32)</sup>

$$\phi_{\rm K} = \phi_{\rm K,S} + (\delta/\alpha) \left(1 + \alpha_{\rm o}/\alpha\right) \phi_{\rm E} - (\delta_{\rm o}/\sigma) \phi_{\rm C} + (\delta_{\rm o} - \delta\alpha_{\rm o}/\alpha) \phi_{\rm V} \tag{9}$$

where  $\delta = \alpha^2 T/\sigma$ ,  $\alpha$  is the coefficient of thermal expansion,  $\sigma$  is the heat capacity per unit volume and d is the density. The subscript o refers to the pure solvent. All these data are now available for most alcohols. Kiyohara and Benson<sup>(13)</sup> have already discussed these differences between  $\overline{K}_A$  and  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  for normal alcohols. Therefore, only one example will be given here for BE. The required data for the calcu-



Fig. 6. Apparent molar isentropic compressibilities of water in alcohols at 25°C.

lations were taken from Roux *et. al.*<sup>(8)</sup> and from Fortier *et. al.*<sup>(33)</sup> The two functions  $\phi_{\rm K}$  and  $\overline{K}_{\rm A}$  were calculated, and  $\overline{K}_{\rm A}$  is compared with the isentropic value in the water-rich zone in Fig. 5. The dotted line is for the same functions if it is assumed that the maximum is an artifact. It is obvious from Fig. 5 that the isothermal and isentropic compressibilities are quite similar and reflect the same kind of interactions.

#### 4.4. Compressibilities of Water

Since compressibility data were obtained over the whole mole fraction range, it is possible to calculate the apparent and partial molar isentropic compressibilities of water in the alcohol, *i.e.*  $\phi_{K,S,W}$  and  $\overline{K}_{S,W}$ . The values of  $\phi_{K,S,W}$  are shown in Fig. 6. In all cases  $\phi_{K,S,W}$  decreases when going from pure water to infinite dilution in the alcohol. With M the change is nearly linear as we would expect from the trends in  $\phi_{K,S,M}$ . Water has an open structure and it is therefore not unexpected that water surrounded by M would have a more compact spatial arrangement. Deviations from linearity are observed for E and P. Partial and apparent molar quantities of a component are always

much more sensitive to interactions and structure in the region where its mole fraction tends to zero. Therefore the large changes in  $\phi_{KSA}$ and  $\overline{K}_{S,A}$  in the water-rich region appear only as a slight negative deviation for  $\phi_{KSW}$ . On the other hand we can see that water is having an effect on the structure of the alcohol in the alcohol-rich region. Presumably,  $\phi_{KSW}$  of t-B and BE decrease sharply as  $X_A$  tends to unity. Transitions similar to inverse micellization are probably occuring in this region. Data at very low  $X_w$  would be required to confirm this but such experiments were not possible with the present technique. It is interesting to note that  $\phi_{K,S,W}$  in BE does not change much up to relatively high  $X_{\rm BF}$ . This could indicate that the water molecules are in contact with very few hydrophobic groups and that the interactions between the -OH group of BE and H<sub>2</sub>O are somewhat similar to H<sub>2</sub>O-H<sub>2</sub>O interactions. Similarly, the apparent molar heat capacities of water in BE did not show very large changes in the same concentration region.<sup>(8)</sup>

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