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ABSTRACT

The total cross section of the tyclohox-noi was measured for neutrons with wavelength of $\lambda = 6.13$ Å, varying the sample temperature in a range that includes the temperature of melting. From these experimental results and by comparison with theoretical calculations based in the Placzek model it was possible to obtain the Debye temperatures for both states. These temperatures were used in the calculation of the disorder entropy variation near the fusion point

INTRODUCTION

Slow neutron transmission methods can be used to investigate physical properties such as freedom of motion of molecules and molecular groups in condensed states of matter^(1,6,10,11). In this regard, the plastic solids formed by globular molecules are of particular interest since their physical properties are intermediate between liquids and solids. These solids called organic globular compounds usually presents a very small entropy of melting^(1,1) (< 5 cal/mole K) the term globular' is applied to them because the molecules involved possess a spherical symmetry about the center of mass as a result either of the distribution of the atoms or of the rotation of the molecule about its center. The solid formed by such a molecule when it freezes from the liquid state displays rather unusual physical properties that have been explained as resulting from practically unhindered rotation of the molecules about their lattice positions. The name plastic crystals for the solids arises because among these properties one find the ease of plastic flow under only moderate pressures. In every case it is observed a transition at some definite temperature below the freezing point from the plastic solid form to a crystalline form that behaves like an ordinary solid⁽⁴⁾. In the rotational form stable at temperatures just below the freezing point the crystal structure is usually of the cubic family.

In the present work the cyclohexanol was selected for the studies because its solids state crystallizes in a cubic system and for its properties as a globular substance. The liquid-solid transition in cyclohexanol was investigated to obtain informations about the transition itself and also to obtain informations about the cyclohexanol in the liquid state. Atomic or molecular vibrational motion is one of the physical parameters whose changes play an important part in this transition. It can be successfully investigated by means of slow neutron transmission methods^[10]. The total cross section measurements as a function of temperature of the sample in a range near the melting point allows a clear observation on changes in the molecular dynamics at state transition. In this paper from the slow neutron transmission measurements carried out on solid and liquid cyclohexanol near the melting point (25.5°C), it was possible to determine the Debye temperature for the liquid cyclohexanol and evaluate a disorder entropy at the melting point transition.

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EXPERIMENTAL

Neutron transmission measurements in the temperature interval 3° C to 35° C were performed with neutrons of 6 13 Å wavelength selected using a single crystal spectrometer⁽³⁾ at the IEA 2 MW light water reactor. A magnetite crystal monochromator and an appropriate choice of polycrystalline filters of Be and Pb were used to select only neutrons from first order Braggis reflections, the elimination of higher order contamination was checked by total cross sections measurements of gold and water chosen as standard. At 6 13 Å, the intensity was enough to have in one day a series of measurements covering the whole temperature interval of interest.

The sample was a commercial cyclohexanol (J T Baker Chemical) with purity better than 99% it was in a alumnium holder with 0.253 cm internal spacing. The sample cooling was performed by circulation of cold air with variable flow in a isolated volume surrounding the sample the temperatures ware controlled within 2°C by thermocouples attached to the alumnium holder. The total neutron cross section is given by $\sigma_{\rm T} = \ln (T^{-1})/n$ where T is the measured neutron transmission and n is the number of molecules/cm² obtained from the sample thickness and bulk density. The melting point for cyclohexanol is 25.5°C and the curve of density visit temperature is shown in figure 1. The density for solid cyclohexanol was celculated using the formula obtained from ultrasonic measurements⁽⁴⁾ normalized for the experimental value $\rho = 9624$ g/cm³ at 20°C⁽¹²⁾ for the liquid cyclohexanol the density was obtain through the formula given in the International Critical Tables ⁽⁸⁾. Also the experimental values given in the Interature^(13, 8) is shown in figure 1.

Twenty independent series of independent measurements of neutron transmission were taken by cooling and/or heating the sample. Results obtained for $n\sigma_{\rm T} = 1 n {\rm T}^{-1}$ in function of temperature are displayed in figure 2 as average over series of cooling and heating. The indicated errors are obtained by propagation of the statistical errors of the several points measured at each temperature. Results indicate on cooling an step at 22.5°C the temperature difference from the tabulated melting point (25.5°C) is probably due to a small water contamination. On heating the variation occurred near 15°C. The temperature difference from the tabulated to an error in the tamperature measurement, and may be due to a premelting phenomenon and partially due to further water contamination in the cooling process^[11].

The values of $\sigma_{\rm T}$ as a function of temperature in the interval 3°C to 35°C are shown in figure 3 for cooling and heating series. The densities were chosen from figure 1 considering the sample as being solid only below 22.5°C for the cooling and only below 15°C for the heating case. Amean value of $\sigma_{\rm T} = 1103$ barns can be ascribed for the cyclohexenol in the solid state and other mean value of $\sigma_{\rm T} = 1135$ barns for the liquid state

CALCULATION OF TOTAL CROSS SECTION VISI DEBYE TEMPERATURE

The Debye approximation is also valid for molecular crystals when in computing thermodynamic functions only the lattice vibrations are considered. The cyclohexanol has a fic ci lattice⁽⁴⁾ and belongs to the globular molecule class, then it can be likened to a monoatomic crystal whose atoms are changed in more complex units if eliminations.

For cubic monoatomic polycrystels it is possible to compute the total scattering cross sections using the Debye temperature as a parameter⁽⁵⁾. In the Placzeck expansion the total scattering cross section is the sum of individual cross sections for 0, 1, 2, and phonon process, $i \in I$.

$$\sigma_{s} = \frac{\lambda}{2} \sigma_{0} \tag{1}$$



where $\sigma_{\underline{k}}$ is the total incoherent cross section in the Debye approximation generalized to the case of \underline{k} phonons involved in the scattering process in the case of heavy nuclei, the Debye Walter factor occuring in $\sigma_{\underline{k}}$ is expanded in powers of 1/M. Collecting terms of same power in M^{-1} , one can write

$$\sigma_{p} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma^{(n)}}{M^{n}}$$
(2)

(3)

with

Alternating terms in equation (3) are of opposite sign cancel the contribution of each others Because of this the series of equation (2) converges very rapidly. For sufficiently large M it is not necessary to go beyond the first invarsa power of M

 $\sigma^{(n)} = \sum_{\substack{\ell = 0 \\ \ell = 0}} \sigma_{\ell}^{(n)}$

Considering the complete expression $^{(5)}$ for $\sigma_{g}^{(n)}$ and using the equations (2) and (3) one can write

$$\sigma_{\rm g} = \sigma^{\rm (0)} + \frac{\sigma^{\rm (1)}_{\rm M}}{\rm M}$$
 (4)

with

$$\sigma^{(0)} = \sigma_0^{(0)} = S + s \tag{5}$$

that is the sum of coherent and incoherent scattering cross sections of hydrogen atoms in the cyclohexanol molecule/where $S = 4\pi a^2$ and $s = 4\pi (a^2 - 3^2)$ being a the scattering length

For the limiting case $E << k_o \theta_D$ and $T >> \theta_D$ some approximations can be performed. For M>10 amulit is not necessary to consider $\sigma^{(2)}$ since its contribution to total cross section would not amount more than one per cent

For the case T $>> heta_{\rm D}$ the $o^{(1)}$ is given by $^{(5)}$

$$\sigma^{(1)} = -2(S+s) 2 \frac{m_0}{4t_1^{2}} \alpha E + \frac{3(S+s)m_0}{\sqrt{E}} (k_0 \theta_D)^{\frac{1}{2}} [(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{T}{\theta_D} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{54} - \frac{\theta_D}{T}) + \frac{E}{k_0^2 \theta_D^2} (\frac{7}{\sqrt{E}} - \frac{T}{4} - \frac{7}{\theta_D} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{54} - \frac{\theta_D}{T}) + \frac{E}{k_0^2 \theta_D^2} (\frac{7}{4} - \frac{T}{\theta_D} - \frac{7}{24} + \frac{7}{240} - \frac{\theta_D}{T}) + \frac{E^3}{k_0^3 \theta_D^3} (\frac{3}{8} - \frac{T}{\theta_D} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8$$

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The theoretical scattering cross section ρ_s is calculated from equations (4) (5) and (6). Here M is the molecular mass m_o is the neutron mass and E is the neutron energy.

where

$$\alpha = \frac{34\tau^2}{k_0\theta_D} \text{ with } F = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{T}{\theta_D} \frac{\theta_D}{T} \phi(\underline{Z}) = -\frac{1}{Z} \int_{\theta}^{Z} \frac{x}{B^X - 1} dx$$
(7)

 $\theta_{\rm D}$ is the Debye temperature, T is the absolute temperature $h = h/2\pi$ h and $k_{\rm o}$ are the Planck and Boltzmann constants respectively. In the present work for the fixed $\lambda = 6.13$ Å corresponds $E = 0.02176 \, {\rm eV}$. The temperature interval for solid cyclohexanol was 273° K - 290° K M = 100.16 amu for the cyclohexanol ($C_6H_{1,1}$ OH) and having twelve hydrogen atoms result S + s = 978 barns. The total cross section $\sigma_{\rm T} = \sigma_{\rm s} + \sigma_{\rm s}$ where $\sigma_{\rm s}$ is computed according to formula(4) and $\sigma_{\rm s}$ is the absorption cross section. In $\sigma_{\rm s}$ are included the contribution to $\sigma_{\rm T}$ of all atoms different of hydrogen presents in the cyclohexanol molecule for the fixed neutron energy E this total contribution is equal to 46.5 barns.

The theoretical $\sigma_{\rm T}$ (T) was calculated using the mean tabulated value $\theta_{\rm D} \sim 60^{\circ}$ K as a parameter for all the temperature interval for solid cyclohexanol the maximum variation of the calculated values of $\sigma_{\rm T}$ (T) was 0.2% Therefore the $\sigma_{\rm T}$ ($\theta_{\rm D}$) was calculated as a function of Debye temperature $\theta_{\rm D}$ in the interval 0° K - 100° K using the fixed value T = 283° K as a parameter. The range of variation for $\theta_{\rm D}$ was chosen according to reference⁽⁴⁾, the resulting plot of $\sigma_{\rm T}$ versus $\theta_{\rm D}$ is displayed in figure 4. To the experimental mean value $\sigma_{\rm T} \simeq 1.103$ barns obtained for the solid cyclohexanol (figure 3) corresponds two values of Debye temperatures in the figure 4. $\theta_{\rm s} = 23^{\circ}$ K and $\theta_{\rm s} = 65^{\circ}$ K this last value agree with the values usually tabulated⁽⁴⁾. From the same figure 4, the experimental mean value $\sigma_{\rm T} = 1.135$ barns obtained for the liquid cyclohexanol (figure 3) near the break leads to a Debye temperature value $\theta_{\rm L} = 20^{\circ}$ K for the liquid cyclohexanol

CALCULATION OF A DISORDER ENTROPY AT THE MELTING POINT

The melting of a crystal is accompanied by an abrupt change in internal energy molar volume and entropy. When the crystal is that of a molecular compound contributions to the increase of internal energy and entropy arise from change in the character of the vibrations among the unit molecules disorder of the structure change in the internal vibrations within each molecule and acquisition of rotational degrees of freedom. A simpler case to treat is relative to crystals made up of atoms that possess an entropy of melting with only the two first mentioned contributions since the atoms do not have internal degrees of freedom. Another interesting case where there is no change in the internal coordinates during melting is that of the organic and inorganic crystals whose molecules possess free rotation in three dimensions in the crystalline state⁽⁹⁾.

At the melting there is a discontinuous change in properties accompanying the discontinuous change in volume. A volume expansion in a crystal and in a liquid is accompanied by an increase in entropy chiefly due to the change in the vibrational degrees of freedom of the assembly while the configuration remains essentially unchanged. On the other hand at the crystal liquid transition there is in addition an entropy change associated with the change in the structure since the liquid lacks the long range regularity of the crystal^[9]. It is possible to compute the change in entropy associated with the volume change together with the change in vibrational character ΔS_{ϕ} by subtracting this entropy change from the experimental entropy of fusion ΔS_{f} one can obtain the entropy change associated with the disordering melting $\Delta S_{m}^{[9]}$.

As a consequence of the foregoing arguments one can write

$$\Delta S_{D} = \Delta S_{f} - \Delta S_{v} \tag{8}$$

THE AS, CALCULATION

From the statistical definition of entropy and using some approximations one can write the expression on entropy for an Einstein solid⁽²⁾

$$S = k [\{q + 3N\} ln (q + 3N] - q lnq - 3N ln 3N]$$
(9)









Figure 4 - Total cross section as a function of Debye temperature for T = 283 K calculated using the computer program in Appendix

where N is the number of atoms (or molecule) q is the number of energy quanta or phonons of magnitude $h\nu$ and k is the Boltzmann constant

The thermodynamic function free energy F is given by F = U - TS where $U = qh\nu$ is the amount of energy raised above the zero point energy after the absorption of q vibrational quanta by the solid So,F can be written as

$$F = qhv - kT [(q + 3N) ln (q + 3N) - qlnq - 3Nln3N]$$
(10)

The number of guanta q is determined regarding that no quanta at all would be absorbed if the solid were able to submit completely to its striving towards a minimum value of energy. On the other hand if it were governed completely by the striving towards maximum entropy, the number of guanta absorbed would continue to increase⁽²⁾. The equilibrium state lies at the point where the free energy is a minimum thus where

$$\frac{d F(q)}{d q} = 0 \tag{11}$$

Combining equations (10) and (11) follows

$$h_{F} - k \uparrow \ln \frac{q + 3N}{q} = 0$$

 $q = \frac{3N}{\frac{h\nu}{kT} - 1}$

or

Rearranging the eq. (9)

$$S = k \left[q \ln \left(\frac{q + 3N}{q} \right) + \gamma \ln \left(\frac{q + 3N}{3N} \right) \right]$$
 (12)

or

$$S = 3Nk \left[\frac{(h\nu/kT)}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1} + \ln(1 - e^{-h\nu/T} T)^{-1} \right]$$
(1°)

Since the Debye temperatures do not differ greatly from the Einstein temperatures⁽²⁾ the former defined for a solid as $\theta_s = \frac{h \nu_s}{k}$ one can put the equation (13) for the entropy of an Einstein solid in the form

$$S_{sol} = 3Nk \left[\frac{\theta_s/T}{e^{\theta_s/T} - 1} + \ln(1 - e^{-\theta_s/T})^{-1} \right]$$
(14)

The main interest is to determine ΔS_v in the melting temperature T_m . In a solid the atoms vibrate about mean positions which are fixed, but in a liquid at temperatures near the melting point it is generally recognized that the atoms vibrate about mean positions which though not fixed, move slowly compared with the velocity with which the atoms vibrate. Then one can assume the liquid phase to be quesi crystalline with weaker binding forces i.e. with a Debye temperature θ_{\perp} for liquid lower than in the the solid state $\theta_s^{(2)}$. The entropy for the liquid phase $S_{\rm liq}$ can be calculated using the same equation (14) but now introducing the θ_{\perp} .

The $\Delta S_v = S_{lig} - S_{sol}$ is given by

$$\Delta S_{v} = 3Nk \left[\frac{\theta_{L}/T_{m}}{e^{\theta_{L}/T_{m}} - 1} - \frac{\theta_{e}/T_{m}}{e^{\theta_{s}/T_{m}} - 1} + \ln \frac{1 - e^{-\theta_{s}/T_{m}}}{1 - e^{-\theta_{L}/T_{m}}} \right]$$
(15)

THE AS CALCULATION

According with equation (8) to obtain ΔS_D it is necessary to have the experimental entropy of fusion defined as⁽¹²⁾

$$\Delta S_{F} = \frac{\Delta H_{F}}{T_{m}}$$
(16)

 \cdot here $\Delta H_{\rm F}$ is the gram atomic heat of fusion

For the cyclohexano) where $T_m = 298.5^{\circ}$ K and $\Delta H_F = 1.20$ m = 419.67 cal/mole $\Delta S_F = 1.408$ cal/mole^oK. Here L is the latent heat of fusion equal to 4.19 cal/gram and M is the cyclohexanol molecular mess

The equation (8) for the disorder entropy at the melting point can be rewritten in the form

$$\Delta S_{D} = -\frac{H_{F}}{T_{m}} - 3Nk \left[\frac{\theta_{L}/T_{m}}{e^{\theta_{L}/T_{m}} - 1} - \frac{\theta_{s}/T_{m}}{e^{\theta_{s}/T_{m}} - 1} + \ln \frac{1 - e^{-\theta_{s}/T_{m}}}{1 - e^{-\theta_{L}/T_{m}}} \right]$$
(17)

where Nk = R = 1 987 cal/mole ^oK is the Gas constant

The experimental values θ_{\perp} and θ_{s} obtained from the total cross sections measurements in cyclohexanol were used to perform the calculation of the eq. (17)

The first set of experimental Debye temperatures $\theta_s = 65^\circ$ K and $\theta_L = 20^\circ$ K for solid and liquid cyclohexanol respectively gives a computed $\Delta S_v = 7.015$ cal/mole $^\circ$ K this value is larger than experimental entropy of fusion ΔS_F . Although the value $\theta_s = 65^\circ$ K is within the range of values usually found for the solid cyclohexanol⁽⁴⁾ the employment of this θ_s in the calculations lead to a negative value of ΔS_D . Since the condition $\Delta S_v < \Delta S_f$ must be satisfied⁽⁹⁾ the ΔS_v was calculated for the second set of Debye temperatures $\theta_s = 23^\circ$ K and $\theta_L = 20^\circ$ K obtaining $\Delta S_v = 833$ cal/mole $^\circ$ K and the value $\Delta S_D = 573$ cal/mole $^\circ$ K

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RESUMO

For madida a sacção de choque total do ciclohexenol para neutrons com comprimento de onde fixo de $\lambda = 6.13$ Å, variando se a temparatura da amostra no intervelo que inclui a temperatura da mudança de estado. A partir destes resultados experimentes e comparando com calculos teóricos baseados no modelo de Placzek, foram obtidos valores das temperaturas da Debye do ciclohexenol para embos os estados. Estas temperaturas foram utilizadas no cálculo de verieção de entropia de desordem próximo ao ponto de fusão.

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