

CHAPTER V

ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY CONDUCTIVITY OF POLAR - NONPOLAR LIQUID MIXTURES.

Introduction

The dipole moment of polar liquids varies with temperature when the dielectric liquid mixture is subjected to microwave field or rather to an alternating high frequency electric field. There are several methods (Gopala Krishna, 1957, Sen and Ghosh, 1972 and Ghosh et al, 1980) to compute the relaxation times as well as dipole moment of polar liquids dissolved in nonpolar solvents under the application of microwave and radiofrequency electric fields. But most of these methods suffer from extrapolation difficulties at infinite dilution i.e. $W_j \rightarrow 0$. The microwave conductivity data for nitromethyl acetamide (NMA), have been computed from the recent studies on dielectric absorption in the very low concentration region by Dhull et al (1982) at temperature 25°C, 35°C, 45°C and 55°C in two different nonpolar solvents benzene and dioxane and also in the high concentration region in benzene at 25°C. Nitromethyl acetamide is supposed to be an important dielectric solute due to its very high values of dielectric constant and moreover its wide applications in biological research. Hence it attracted the attention of a

large number of workers Sato et al (1976) to study its different dielectric parameters.

We too get interested to this system and an attempt has been taken to study the variation of microwave conductivity of NMA in very dilute solution of benzene and dioxane at various temperatures, viz. 25°C, 35°C, 45°C and 55°C and also at relatively high concentration region at 25°C. So it is thought that the calculated data of UHF conductivity of the mixture K_{ij} can be used to show that the low concentration region of this solution the association is solute-solvent type, i.e. monomer which changes into the solute-solute association or dimer at relatively high concentrations. Moreover, the extremely low concentration conductivity data may reveal new information regarding the solvation effect. As the information regarding the various types of interactions of solutes in solution could, however, be inferred from the estimated values of the dipole moments. Hence the dipole moments μ_j 's of NMA as well as p-bromonitrobenzene (p-BNB) have been calculated from the concentration variation of UHF conductivity of the solution.

Theory:-

The HF conductivity due to Murphy and Morgan (1939) of polar-nonpolar liquid mixture is given by

$$K_{ij} = K'_{ij} + jK''_{ij} \quad \text{where } K'_{ij} \text{ is the real part}$$

of the conductivity = $\left(\frac{\omega \epsilon''_{ij}}{4\pi}\right)$ and K''_{ij} is the imaginary part = $\left(\omega \epsilon'_{ij}/4\pi\right)$. The magnitude of total hf conductivity is usually given by

$$K_{ij} = \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \left(\epsilon''_{ij}{}^2 + \epsilon'_{ij}{}^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \dots 5.1$$

ϵ'_{ij} of solution in the microwave region ($\lambda = 3.004\text{cm}$) though very small and is equal to optical dielectric constant, but still $\epsilon'_{ij} \gg \epsilon''_{ij}$ where ϵ''_{ij} is responsible for the absorption of electrical energy to offer resistance to polarization. Hence the real part of K_{ij} of HF conductivity of solution of weight fraction W_j of polar solute at temperature T K is

$$K'_{ij} = \frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_{ij} F_{ij}}{3M_j kT} \left(\frac{\omega^2 \tau}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} \right) W_j \quad \dots 5.2$$

where μ_j is the dipole moment of polar solute of molecular weight M_j , N the Avogadro's number, k is the Boltzmann constant and $F_{ij} = \left[(\epsilon_{ij} + 2)/3 \right]^2$ is the local field. Hence it is evident that, for the microwave electric field, the total conductivity becomes:

$$K_{ij} = \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \epsilon'_{ij} \quad \dots 5.3$$

But, for HF region, it can be shown that

$$\epsilon'_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij\infty} + \epsilon''_{ij}/\omega\tau \quad \dots 5.4$$

Using eqn. (5.3) and (5.4) it is shown that

$$K_{ij} = K_{\infty} + K'_{ij}/\omega\tau_s \quad \dots 5.5$$

where K_{∞} is a constant conductivity and τ_s is the relaxation time of the solute molecule in the solvent. Since K_{ij} is a function of W_j from eq. (5.5) we have :

$$\left(\frac{dK'_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \omega\tau_s \left(\frac{dK_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \omega\tau_s \beta \quad \dots 5.6$$

where β is the slope of $K_{ij} - W_j$ curve at $W_j \rightarrow 0$. When $W_j \rightarrow 0$ the density of the solution ρ_{ij} becomes ρ_i the density of the solvent and the local field F_{ij} of the solution becomes

$$F_i = \left[(\epsilon_i + 2)/3 \right]^2,$$

the local field of the solvent.

Under this condition eq. (5.2) on differentiation with respect to W_j and as $W_j \rightarrow 0$ takes the

form:

$$\left(\frac{dK'_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_i F_i}{3 M_j k T} \left(\frac{\omega^2 \tau_s}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_s^2} \right) \quad \dots 5.7$$

Taking

$$b = \beta / \left(\frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_i F_i \omega}{3 M_j k T} \right) \quad \dots 5.8$$

and using eqs. (5.6) and (5.7), we can have

$$b = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_s^2}$$

Hence

$$\tau_s = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi C} \left(\frac{1}{b} - 1 \right)^{1/2} = \frac{\lambda \times 10^{-10}}{18.84} \left(\frac{1}{b} - 1 \right)^{1/2} \quad \dots 5.9$$

From eq. (5.8) the dipole moment, μ_j of polar solute can be evaluated by

$$\mu_j^{(s)} = \left(\frac{3 M_j k T}{N \rho_i F_i} \cdot \frac{\beta}{b \omega} \right)^{1/2} \quad \dots 5.10$$

Eq. (5.9) is used to compute 'b' from the reported τ_s data thence the dipole moment $\mu_j^{(s)}$ of polar solute when it is dissolved in solvent, from eq. (5.10).

Müller (1934) gave a relation between $\mu_j^{(s)}$ and the corrected μ_j of solute by

$$\mu_j^{(s)} = \mu_j [1 - c(\epsilon_j - 1)^2] \quad \dots 5.11$$

where c is a constant which is claimed to be 0.038 for a large number of liquids and ϵ_j is the dielectric constant of the solvent.

Results and Discussions:

The eq. (5.2) shows that the real part of K_{ij} of h.f. conductivity of solution of weight fraction W_j of polar solute at temperature T K is function of concentration. So it is observed that the microwave conductivities (K_{ij}) of NMA in e.s.u. in benzene solvent at different temperatures, is a function of concentration and which can be written as :

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.1415 + 7.0699 W_j, \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.1278 + 8.1738 W_j \text{ at } 35^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.1178 + 8.4588 W_j \text{ at } 45^\circ\text{C}$$

and

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.1062 + 9.1398 W_j \text{ at } 55^\circ\text{C}$$

Similarly it follows in dioxane solvent also and h.f. conductivity can be represented as:

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.1107 + 8.1173W_j \quad \text{at } 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.0943 + 9.5319W_j \quad \text{at } 35^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.0922 + 9.2835W_j \quad \text{at } 45^{\circ}\text{C}$$

and

$$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10} = 1.0859 + 9.6132W_j \quad \text{at } 55^{\circ}\text{C.}$$

The results can be shown graphically by the help of fitted curves along with the experimental points on them. The microwave conductivities in e.s.u. are plotted against the weight fractions W_j of the solute shown in fig. (5.1) and (5.2). It is observed from the linear plot that from the region $W_j = 0.0022$ to $W_j = 0.0094$ of the solute in benzene and also from $W_j = 0.0030$ to $W_j = 0.0123$ of the solute in dioxane as the temperature of the systems increases, the UHF conductivity decreases, but maintaining a regular increase in slopes. The h.f. conductivity in the lower concentration region would vary linearly with W_j because $(\rho_{ij} F_{ij} / \tau)$ in eqn. (5.2) assumed to be a constant value in the neighbourhood of 0.006 in

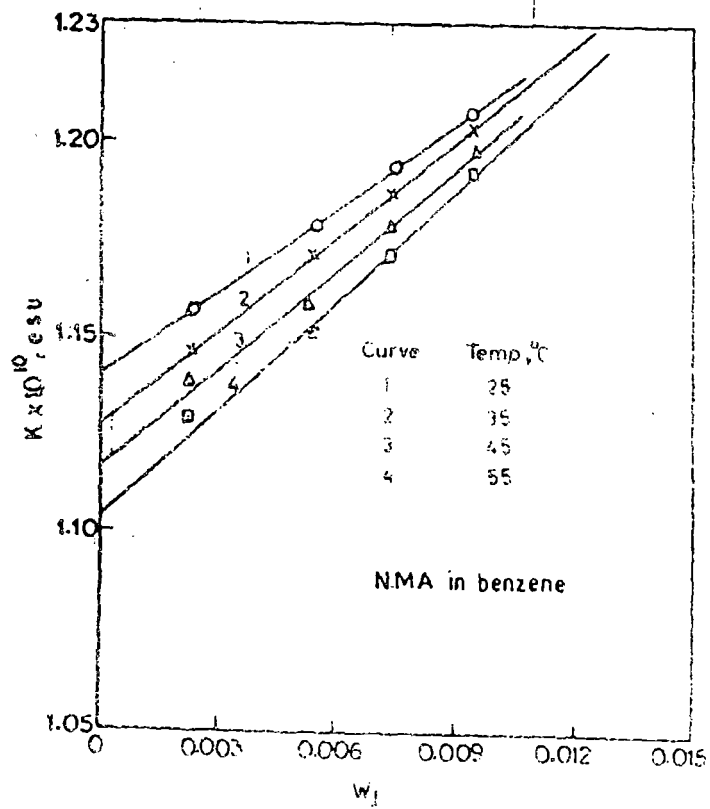


Fig. 5.1—Concentration variation of K of NMA in benzene at different temperatures

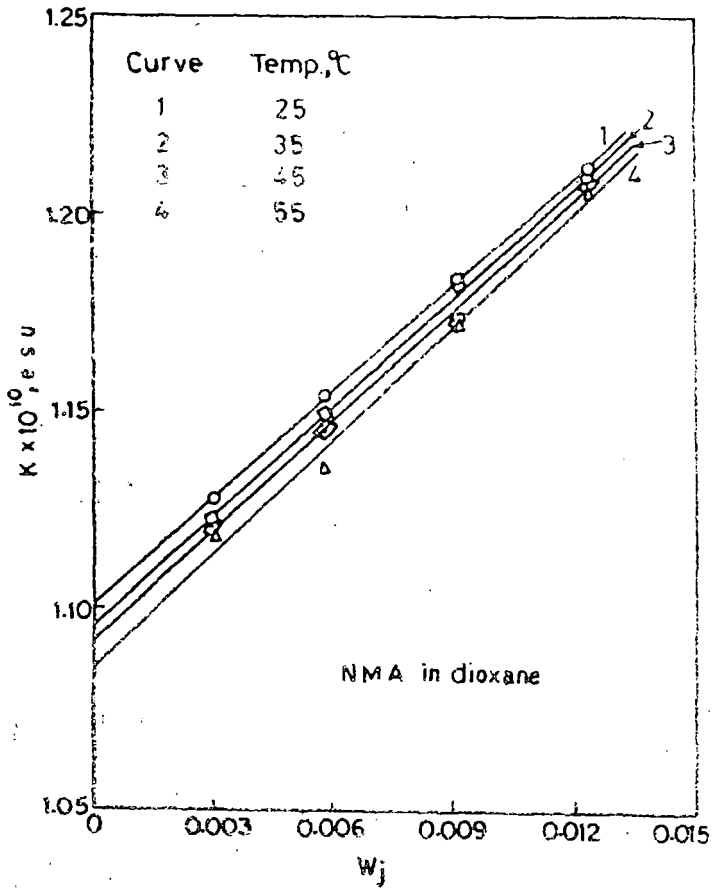


Fig. 5.2—Concentration variation of K of NMA in dioxane at different temperatures

the limit $W_j = 0$, at all the experimental temperatures. But at higher concentration the plot of K_{ij} with W_j will be mostly nonlinear. This is shown in Fig.(5.3) in which the h.f. conductivity of NMA in benzene at 25°C. It has been only plotted with W_j having its range from $W_j = 0.0212$ to $W_j = 0.0520$. This fact is also corroborated by the data of p-bromonitrobenzene in benzene, its nature of concentration variation also is shown in Fig. (5.4).

The nature of variation of conductivity K_{ij} with weight fraction W_j both in benzene and dioxane shown in Figs. (5.1) and (5.2) indicate that the conductivities at different temperature have tending to meet within a certain zone in the higher concentration region, which clearly indicate that higher values of K_{ij} with respect to increasing temperature are expected at higher concentration region. The curves of the high concentration K_{ij} data thus available are found to be temperature dependent quantities, i.e. the elevated temperature of the mixture gives rise to higher value of K_{ij} after a certain concentration zone. Thus for high concentration the conductivity data of mixture of polar-nonpolar liquids forced us to draw the curves of K_{ij} against W_j at all experimental temperatures to meet at a common point on the K_{ij}

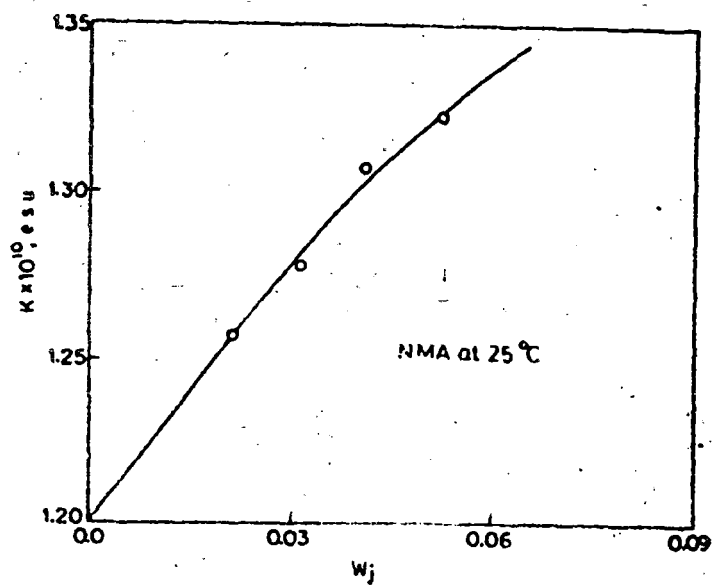


Fig. 5.3-Concentration variation of K of NMA in benzene at 25°C

axis in the limit $W_j = 0$ which is a priori determined value from

$$(K_{ij})_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = (\omega \epsilon'_{ij} / 4\pi)_{W_j \rightarrow 0}$$

for most of the solute-solvent systems. This is usually attributed to the solvation effect. When the conductivity data of p-BNB in benzene are considered then the curves in Fig. (5.4) presenting the conductivity data at different temperatures, measured at relatively higher concentrations from $W_j = 0.0162$ to $W_j = 0.0416$, are found to meet at a common point on the K_{ij} axis at $W_j = 0$.

In fact, the information regarding the low concentration conductivities of polar compounds in nonpolar solvents can no longer be borrowed from high concentration conductivity data.

The data of K_{ij} (table 5.1a, b, c) for NMA in benzene and dioxane available from the dielectric absorption studies by Dhull et al (1982) revealed a new picture regarding the concentration variation of K_{ij} data at all stages of dilution, so far as the lower concentration region is concerned. Both in benzene and dioxane as solvents, the UHF conductivities of the present system at $W_j \rightarrow 0$ gradually decrease as the temperature increases from 25°C to 55°C shown by the normal

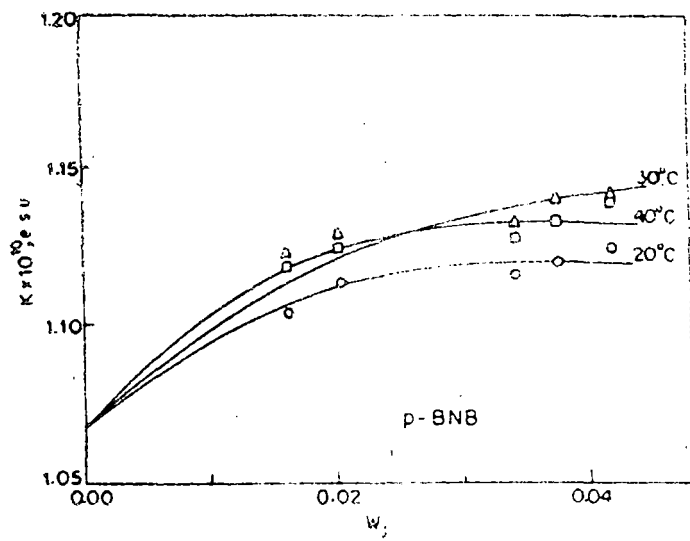


Fig. 5.4—Concentration variation of K of p -BNB in benzene at different temperatures

equations relating K_{ij} and W_j as derived from the available experimental data and also as illustrated graphically in Figs. 5.1 and 5.2 respectively. But there may exist a certain link between the low and high concentration data of K_{ij} against W_j . In the limit $W_j = 0$, the graphs using lower concentration conductivity data for some suitable system in any solvent like benzene or dioxane, do not meet at a common point, but at different points on the K_{ij} axis as shown in Figs. 5.1 and 5.2. The value of the intercepts for K_{ij} at $W_j = 0$ decreases with increase in temperature. But both these features are not exhibited in case of aromatic compounds like p-BNB in benzene. In the higher concentration region, the experimental curves (Fig. 5.1 and 5.2) have a tendency to meet each other within a certain higher concentration zone, below and above which the system investigated has most probably a different physical nature.

Dipole Moment And Structural Form:

The dipole moments μ_j of NMA and p-BNB at different temperatures were then computed from eq.(5.10) and the equation of fitted curves of the variation of μ_j as function of temperature in $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for the given solute of interest are given below:

$$\mu_j = 3.6071 + 0.0112t - 8.3 \times 10^{-6}t^2 \text{ for NMA in benzene}$$

$$\mu_j = 3.4294 + 0.0126t - 6.7 \times 10^{-5}t^2 \text{ for NMA in dioxane}$$

and

$$\mu_j = 2.114 + 0.0747t - 3.8 \times 10^{-4}t^2 \text{ for p-BNB in benzene}$$

The μ_j 's of these systems were found to increase in a regular fashion with temperature in $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The corrected μ_j values were obtained from eq. (5.11). However, both the values of dipole moments computed from eq. (5.10) and (5.11) using the reported values of τ_s are higher than those of actual values because of the estimated error (Bhull et al 1982) of the order of 10 percent in the calculated values of τ_s and hence the computed values of the dipole moments from these data would naturally be higher. Both these values of μ_j 's are given in table (5.2), with those of reported μ_j, τ_s etc.

The computed μ_j values from eq. (5.10) are finally shown graphically in fig. 5.5 against temperature. From table (5.2) it is evident that μ_j 's are always higher when measured from low concentration conductivity data of NMA in benzene and dioxane, but at 25°C the high concentration data (Fig. 5.3) always gives us the low value of

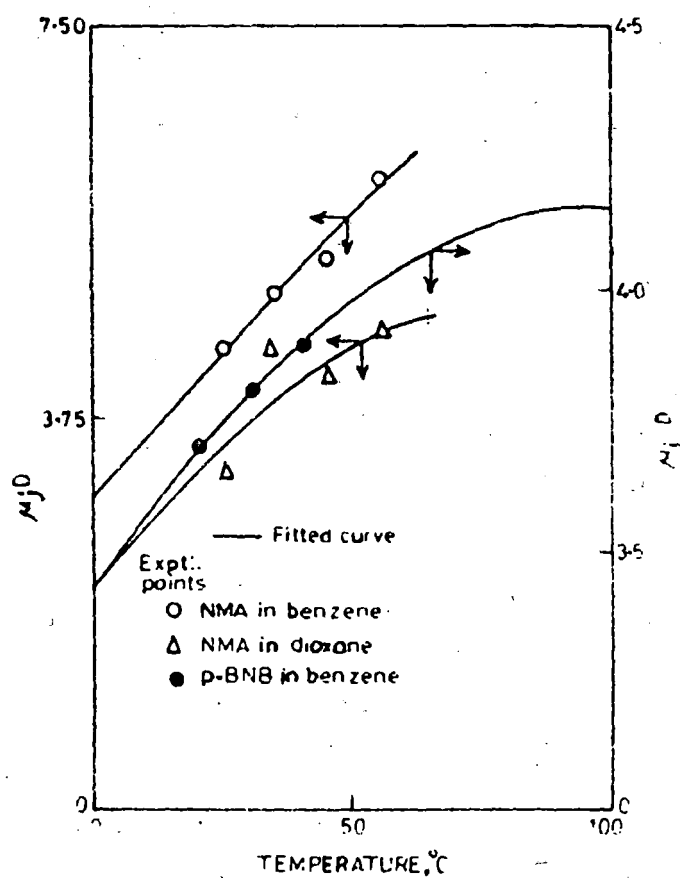


Fig. 5.5-Variation of experimentally observed dipole moment with temperature in °C along with the fitted curves

dipole moment. However, p-BNB in benzene does not fall in this category. As observed by Dhull et al (1982), the high values of dipole moments of NMA in benzene and dioxane are due to monomers, i.e. solute-solvent association which may actually occur in the lower concentration region. This state of affairs changes above a certain concentration zone to dimer, i.e. solute-solute association. The variation in the theoretically computed μ_j values for these molecules, one aliphatic ketonic group and the other substituted benzene might be due to (i) the difference in the values of group moments and (ii) inductive effect. The dipole moments of NMA in solvents at lower concentrations (Table 5.2), shown both by the experimentally computed and theoretically obtained μ_j 's due to the solute-solute association, i.e. dimer formation. For p-BNB group moments of C-NO₂ and C-Br act at a certain angle, assuming the benzene ring as a planar one (Fig. 5.6). With this conformation in view, the theoretical value of μ_j in terms of bond moments and bond angles gives us only the monomer μ_j value in case of p-BNB as it excellently agrees with the computed μ_j 's (Table 5.2). Thus p-BNB gives the dipole moments at higher concentration due to monomer formation. The group moments of C-CH₃, C-N and N-H groups act along a common axis as sketched in Fig. 5.6. But the group

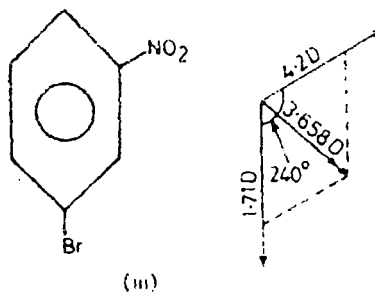
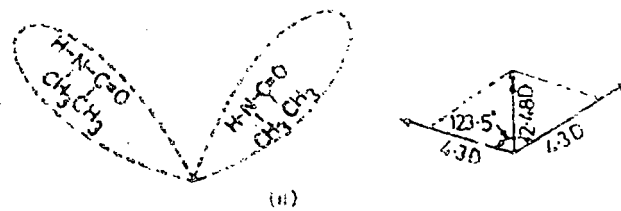
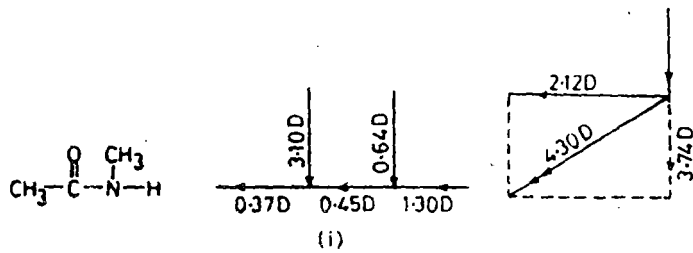


Fig. 5.6-- Conformation of the different molecules showing the orientation of the bond axes, bond moments and also the dipole moments [(i) structural form of NMA; (ii), structural form of dimers; and (iii) structural form of *p*-BNB.]

moments of $C=O$ and $N-CH_3$ act along the direction normal to that of $C-CH_3$. With this preferred conformational directions for NMA as depicted in Fig. 5.6, the resultant μ_j value was obtained for monomer formation. These data for μ_j 's thus obtained also excellently agree with the computed μ_j 's (Table 5.2). But for the dimer formation of NMA in benzene the two monomers attach each other with their most electropositive and electronegative elements, i.e. $[-H]$ and $[-O^-]$ form a certain angle viz. 123.5° as calculated both from experimental and theoretical μ_j values as shown in Fig. 5.6, while the electropositive and electronegative elements project themselves along the dipole axes. Thus the monomer due to this preferred angle, the immediate obvious feature in fig. 5.6 (ii). Further the dipole moment (Fig. 5.5) is a temperature dependent quantity when the system is subjected to UHF alternating fields. Hence it is concluded that the high values of dipole moments are due to formation of monomer and less value due to formation of dimer in dielectrics, particularly in the case of NMA in benzene and dioxane.

Table 5.1a

Values of dielectric constant (ϵ'_{ij}), loss factor (ϵ''_{ij})
uhf conductivity (K_{ij}) weight fractions (W_j) at
different temperatures (t).

Systems	Temp. t °C	W_j	ϵ'_{ij}	ϵ''_{ij}	$K_{ij} \times 10^{-10}$ in esu
N-methylaceta- mide in benzene	25	0.0022	2.317	0.0220	1.157
		0.0053	2.361	0.0456	1.179
		0.0073	2.390	0.0700	1.194
		0.0094	2.415	0.0951	1.207
	35	0.0022	2.295	0.0195	1.146
		0.0053	2.344	0.0414	1.171
		0.0073	2.379	0.0684	1.188
		0.0094	2.409	0.0875	1.204
	45	0.0022	2.281	0.0182	1.139
		0.0053	2.321	0.0364	1.159
		0.0073	2.361	0.0620	1.179
		0.0094	2.399	0.0824	1.199
	55	0.0022	2.261	0.0152	1.129
		0.0053	2.305	0.0336	1.151
		0.0073	2.346	0.0593	1.172
		0.0094	2.389	0.0792	1.194
N-methylaceta- mide in benzene in high concent- ration.	25	0.0212	2.512	0.1532	1.257
		0.0310	2.553	0.1866	1.278
		0.0406	2.594	0.2020	1.307
		0.0520	2.638	0.2369	1.323

Table 5.1b

Values of dielectric constants (ϵ'_{ij}), loss factor (ϵ''_{ij})
uhf conductivity (K_{ij}) and weight fraction (W_j) at
different temperatures (t)

Systems	Temp t °C	W_j	ϵ'_{ij}	ϵ''_{ij}	K_{ij} $\times 10^{-10}$ in esu
N-methyl acetamide in dioxane	25	0.0030	2.279	0.0489	1.138
		0.0058	2.310	0.0817	1.154
		0.0091	2.369	0.1188	1.184
		0.0123	2.422	0.1488	1.212
	35	0.0030	2.247	0.0450	1.122
		0.0058	2.303	0.0777	1.150
		0.0091	2.366	0.1151	1.183
		0.0123	2.419	0.1430	1.210
	45	0.0030	2.244	0.0401	1.121
		0.0058	2.291	0.0716	1.144
		0.0091	2.349	0.1072	1.174
		0.0123	2.415	0.1357	1.208
55	0.0030	2.241	0.0361	1.119	
	0.0058	2.274	0.0649	1.136	
	0.0091	2.346	0.0994	1.173	
	0.0123	2.412	0.1242	1.206	

Table 5.1c

Values of dielectric constant (ϵ'_{ij}), loss factor (ϵ''_{ij})
uhf conductivity (K_{ij}) and weight fraction (W_j) at
different temperature (t).

System	Temp. t °C	W_j	ϵ'_{ij}	ϵ''_{ij}	K_{ij} $\times 10^{-10}$ in esu
p-Bromonitro- benzene in benzene	20	0.0162	2.21	0.0263	1.104
		0.0202	2.2313	0.0302	1.114
		0.0342	2.2352	0.0346	1.116
		0.0375	2.2423	0.0436	1.120
		0.0416	2.2539	0.0447	1.126
	30	0.0162	2.2483	0.0265	1.123
		0.0202	2.2621	0.0316	1.130
		0.0342	2.2670	0.0346	1.132
		0.0375	2.2739	0.0374	1.140
		0.0416	2.2880	0.0458	1.143
	40	0.0162	2.2394	0.0346	1.118
		0.0202	2.2531	0.0447	1.125
		0.0342	2.2582	0.0583	1.128
		0.0375	2.2691	0.0632	1.134
		0.0416	2.2789	0.0793	1.139

Table 5.2

Values of $(\mu_j)_{\text{compts}}$, $(\mu_j)_{\text{rept}}$, $(\mu_j)_{\text{theor}}$, $(\tau_s)_{\text{rept}}$ and $b(\text{comput})$ at different temperatures.

System	Temp. in °C	b(compt)	τ_s (rept) $\times 10^{+12}$ Sec.	μ_j (comp.) [Eq.10] D	μ_j (corr) [Eq.11] D	$(\mu_j)_{\text{theor}}$ D	$(\mu_j)_{\text{rept.}}$ D
N-methyl acetamide in benzene	25	0.6334	12.13	3.882	4.135		3.69
	35	0.7068	10.27	4.008	4.262		3.78
	45	0.7637	8.87	4.064	4.313	4.30	3.80
	55	0.8065	7.81	4.216	4.467		3.82
N-methyl acetamide in dioxane	25	0.7185	9.88	3.647	3.862		3.66
	35	0.7824	8.41	3.886	4.109		3.69
	45	0.8252	7.34	3.830	4.043		3.78
	55	0.8631	6.35	3.907	4.117		3.83
N-methyl acetamide in benzene in high concentration.	25	0.6987	10.47	2.236	2.383	2.48	1.87
p-Bromo-nitrobenzene in benzene	20	0.7905	8.21	3.456	3.687		
	30	0.8259	7.32	4.013	4.272	3.658	
	40	0.8657	6.28	4.494	4.774		

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The variation of UHF conductivity K_{ij} of nitromethylacetamide in benzene and dioxane solvents in the lower as well as higher concentration regions of a polar solute, has been extensively studied to throw light regarding a constant conductivity at infinite dilution due to solvation effect at different temperatures. It is found that the measured data of K_{ij} for the lower concentration region is perfectly linear with W_j , the weight fraction of the solute, but differs radically at $W_j \rightarrow 0$ due to solute-solvent association or monomer formation in dielectrics. This observation, however, escapes detection when the K_{ij} data for higher concentration region are used as found in the case of *p*-bromonitrobenzene in benzene. The slope of curves showing UHF conductivity data versus concentration of the solution at infinite dilution, is finally used to estimate the temperature dependence of dipole moments for these liquids.

1 Introduction

The dipole moment of polar liquids varies^{1,2} with temperature when the dielectric mixture is subjected to an alternating microwave or rather high frequency electric field. There are several methods³⁻⁵ to compute the relaxation times as well as dipole moments of polar liquids dissolved in nonpolar solvents under the application of microwave and radio frequency electric fields. But these methods^{3,4}, unlike our method⁵, suffer from extra-polation difficulties at $W_j \rightarrow 0$. The microwave conductivity data for nitro-methyl acetamide (NMA), have been computed from the recent studies on dielectric absorption in the very low concentration region by Dhull *et al.*⁶ at temperatures 25°C, 35°C, 45°C, and 55°C in two different solvents (benzene and dioxane) and also in the high concentration regions at 25°C in benzene. NMA is an important dielectric solute because of its very high dielectric constant, and its wide biological applications. Hence it attracted the attention of a large number of workers⁷.

We, therefore have chosen this system in order to report the microwave conductivity data of NMA in benzene and dioxane at different temperatures, viz. 25°C, 35°C, 45°C and 55°C in the extremely low concentration region as well as those at relatively high concentration region only at 25°C. The data for K_{ij} are then used to show that in the low concentration range of this solution the association is solute-solvent type, i.e. monomer which changes into the solute-solute association or dimer at relatively high concentrations.

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Moreover, the extremely low concentration conductivity data may reveal new information regarding the solvation effect⁸.

Finally, the information regarding the various types of interactions of solutes in solution could, however, be inferred from the estimated values of the dipole moments. Hence the dipole moments μ_j 's of NMA as well as *p*-bromonitrobenzene (*p*BNB) have been calculated from the concentration variation of UHF conductivity of the solution by the method described elsewhere¹. The μ_j values thus obtained are found to increase with temperature as already shown by Acharyya *et al.*¹ for other systems. The fitted curves of the variation of μ_j as a function of temperature in °C for the given solutes of interest are

$$\mu_j = 3.6071 + 0.0112t - 8.3 \times 10^{-6}t^2$$

for NMA in benzene

$$\mu_j = 3.4294 + 0.0126t - 6.7 \times 10^{-5}t^2$$

for NMA in dioxane

and

$$\mu_j = 2.114 + 0.0747t - 3.8 \times 10^{-4}t^2$$

for *p*-BNB in benzene

The μ_j 's of these systems were found to increase in a regular fashion with temperature (in °C).

2 Theory

The HF conductivity due to Murphy and Morgan⁹ of polar-nonpolar liquid mixture is given by $K_{ij} = K'_{ij} + jK''_{ij}$ where K'_{ij} is the real part of the conductivity $= \omega \epsilon''_{ij}/4\pi$ and K''_{ij} is the imaginary part $= \omega \epsilon'_{ij}/4\pi$. The magnitude of total hf conductivity is usually given by

$$K_{ij} = \frac{\omega}{4\pi} (\epsilon''_{ij}{}^2 + \epsilon'_{ij}{}^2)^{1/2} \quad \dots (1)$$

ϵ'_{ij} of solution in the microwave region ($\lambda = 3.004$ cm), though very small and is equal to optical dielectric constant, but still $\epsilon'_{ij} \gg \epsilon''_{ij}$ where ϵ''_{ij} is responsible for the absorption of electrical energy to offer resistance to polarization. Hence the real part of K_{ij} of HF conductivity of solution of weight fraction W_j of polar solute at temperature TK is

$$K'_{ij} = \frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_{ij} F_{ij}}{3M_j kT} \left(\frac{\omega^2 \tau}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} \right) W_j \quad \dots (2)$$

where μ_j is the dipole moment of polar solute of molecular weight M_j , N the Avogadro number, k is the Boltzmann constant and $F_{ij} = [(\epsilon_{ij} + 2)/3]^2$ is the local field. Hence it is evident that, for the microwave electric field, the total conductivity becomes:

$$K_{ij} = \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \epsilon'_{ij} \quad \dots (3)$$

But, for HF region, it can be shown that

$$\epsilon'_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij\infty} + \epsilon''_{ij}/\omega\tau \quad \dots (4)$$

Using Eqs (2), (3) and (4) it is shown that

$$K_{ij} = K_\infty + \frac{K'_{ij}}{\omega\tau_s} \quad \dots (5)$$

where K_∞ is a constant conductivity and τ_s is the relaxation time of the solute molecule in the solvent. Since K_{ij} is a function of W_j from Eq. (5) we have:

$$\left(\frac{dK'_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \omega\tau_s \left(\frac{dK_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \omega\tau_s \beta \quad \dots (6)$$

where β is the slope of $K_{ij} - W_j$ curve at $W_j \rightarrow 0$. When $W_j \rightarrow 0$ the density of the solution ρ_{ij} becomes ρ_i the density of the solvent and the local field F_{ij} of the solution becomes $F_i = [(\epsilon_i + 2)/3]^2$ = the local field of the solvent.

Under this condition, Eq. (2) on differentiation with respect to W_j and as $W_j \rightarrow 0$ takes the form:

$$\left(\frac{dK'_{ij}}{dW_j} \right)_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = \frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_i F_i}{3M_j kT} \left(\frac{\omega^2 \tau_s}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_s^2} \right) \quad \dots (7)$$

Taking

$$b = \beta \left/ \left(\frac{\mu_j^2 N \rho_i F_i \omega}{3M_j kT} \right) \right. \quad \dots (8)$$

and using Eqs (6) and (7), we can have

$$b = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_s^2}$$

Hence

$$\tau_s = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi c} \left(\frac{1}{b} - 1 \right)^{1/2} = \frac{\lambda \times 10^{-10}}{18.84} \left(\frac{1}{b} - 1 \right)^{1/2} \quad \dots (9)$$

From Eq. (8) the dipole moment μ_j of polar solute can be evaluated by

$$\mu_j^{<s>} = \left(\frac{3M_j kT}{N \rho_i F_i} \cdot \frac{\beta}{b\omega} \right)^{1/2} \quad \dots (10)$$

Eq. (9) is used to compute b from the reported τ_s data and thence the dipole moment $\mu_j^{<s>}$ of polar solute when it is dissolved in solvent, from Eq. (10).

Müller¹⁰ gave a relation between $\mu_j^{<s>}$ and the corrected μ_j of solute by

$$\mu_j^{<s>} = \mu_j [1 - C(\epsilon_i - 1)^2] \quad \dots (11)$$

where C is a constant which is claimed to be 0.038 for a large number of liquids and ϵ_i is the dielectric constant of the solvent.

3 Results and Discussion

The microwave conductivities of NMA in benzene at different temperatures, as a function of concentration, are given by:

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.1415 + 7.0699 W_j \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.1278 + 8.1738 W_j \text{ at } 35^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.1178 + 8.4588 W_j \text{ at } 45^\circ\text{C}$$

and

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.1062 + 9.1398 W_j \text{ at } 55^\circ\text{C}$$

while those in dioxane are:

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.1107 + 8.1173 W_j \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.0943 + 9.5319 W_j \text{ at } 35^\circ\text{C}$$

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.0922 + 9.2835 W_j \text{ at } 45^\circ$$

and

$$K \times 10^{-10} = 1.0859 + 9.6132 W_j \text{ at } 55^\circ\text{C}$$

and have been shown graphically by the fitted curves along with the experimental points on them in Figs 1 and 2, in which the microwave conductivities in e.s.u. are plotted against the weight fractions W_j of the solute. It is found that from the region $W_j = 0.0022$ to $W_j = 0.0094$ of the solute in benzene and also from $W_j = 0.0030$ to $W_j = 0.0123$ of the solute in dioxane as the temperature of the systems increases, the UHF conductivity decreases, but maintaining a regular increase in slopes. The HF conductivity in the lower concentration region would vary linearly with W_j , because $\rho_{ij} F_{ij}/T$ in Eq. (2) assumes a constant value in the neighbourhood of 0.006 in the limit $W_j = 0$, at all the experimental temperatures, but at higher concentration the plot of K_{ij} with W_j will be mostly nonlinear. This is shown in Fig. 3 in which the HF conductivity of NMA in benzene at 25°C only has been plotted with W_j having its range from $W_j = 0.0212$ to $W_j = 0.0520$. This fact is also corroborated by the data *p*-bromonitrobenzene¹¹ in benzene (Fig. 4).

In the variation of K_{ij} with W_j both in benzene and dioxane the K_{ij} 's as shown in Figs 1 and 2 have tendency to meet within a certain zone in the higher concentration region and then they are expected to

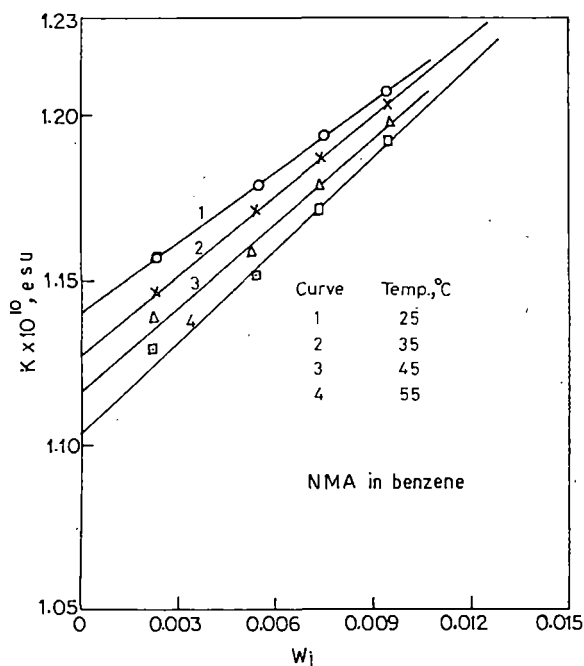


Fig. 1—Concentration variation of K of NMA in benzene at different temperatures

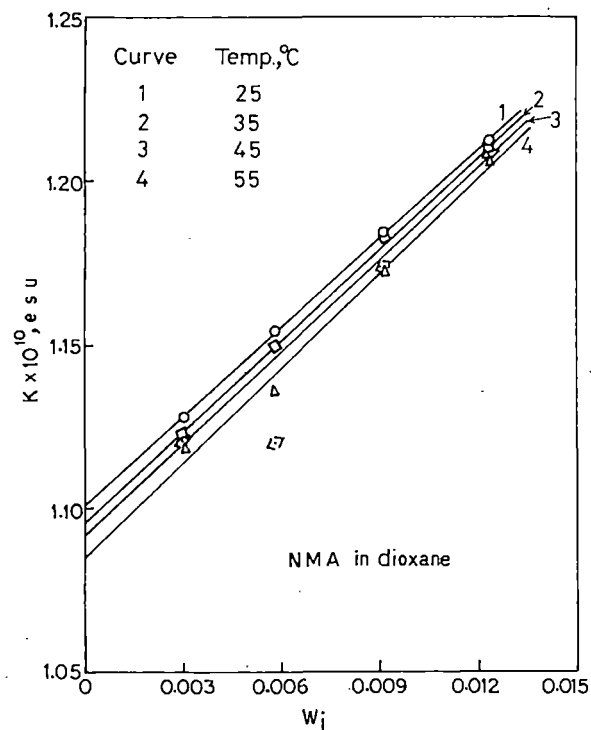


Fig. 2—Concentration variation of K of NMA in dioxane at different temperatures

give the higher values of K_{ij} data with respect to increasing temperatures in the higher concentration region. The curves of the high concentration K_{ij} data thus available are found to be temperature-dependent quantities, i.e. the elevated temperature of the mixture

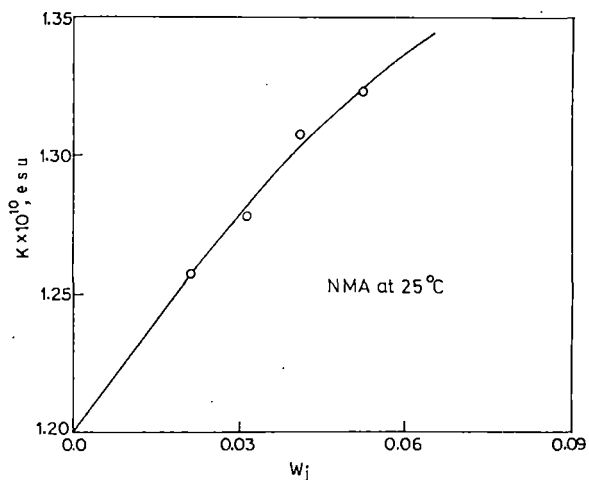


Fig. 3—Concentration variation of K of NMA in benzene at 25°C

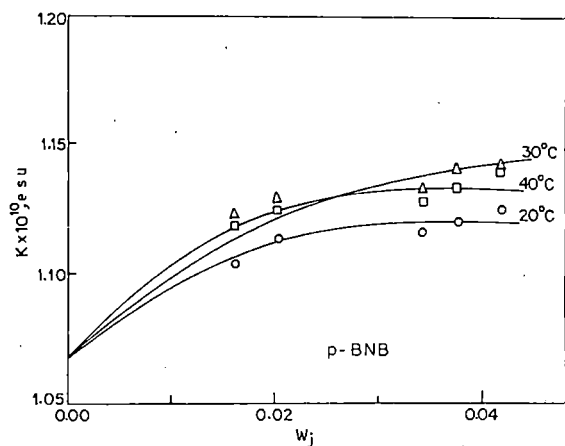


Fig. 4—Concentration variation of K of p -BNB in benzene at different temperatures

gives rise to higher value of K_{ij} after a certain concentration zone. This had already been demonstrated by Acharyya *et al.*¹ for a large number of polar compounds in benzene at relatively higher concentrations. Thus, for high concentrations, conductivity data of polar-nonpolar liquid mixture forced the experimentalists to draw curves of K_{ij} against W_j at all experimental temperatures to meet at a common point on the K_{ij} axis in the limit $W_j = 0$ which is a priori determined value from $(K_{ij})_{W_j \rightarrow 0} = (\omega \epsilon'_{ij} / 4\pi)_{W_j \rightarrow 0}$ for most of the solute-solvent systems. This is usually attributed to the solvation effect⁸. In the case of p -BNB in benzene (Fig. 4), the curves presenting the conductivity data⁹ at different temperatures, measured at relatively higher concentrations from $W_j = 0.0162$ to $W_j = 0.0416$, are found to meet at a common point on the K_{ij} axis at $W_j = 0$.

In fact, the information regarding the low-concentration conductivities of polar compounds in nonpolar solvents can no longer be borrowed from

high concentration conductivity data. The high as well as low-concentration data of K_{ij} are very scanty. This is why the data of K_{ij} for NMA in benzene and dioxane available from the dielectric absorption studies by Dhull *et al.*⁶ revealed a new picture regarding the concentration variation of K_{ij} data at all stages of dilution so far as the lower-concentration region is concerned. Both in benzene and dioxane as solvents, the UHF conductivities of the present system at $W_j \rightarrow 0$ gradually decrease as the temperature increases from 25°C. to 55°C as shown by the normal equations relating K_{ij} and W_j , as derived from the available experimental data and also as illustrated graphically in Figs 1 and 2 respectively. But there may exist a certain link between the low and high concentration data of K_{ij} against W_j . In the limit $W_j = 0$, the graphs using lower-concentration conductivity data for some suitable system in any solvent like benzene or dioxane, do not meet at a common point, but at different points on the K axis as shown in Figs 1 and 2. The value of the intercepts for K_{ij} at $W_j = 0$ decreases with increase in temperature. But both these features are not exhibited in case of aromatic compounds like *p*-BNB in benzene. In the higher-concentration region, the experimental curves (Figs 1 and 2) have a tendency to meet each other within a certain higher-concentration zone, below and above which the system investigated has most probably a different physical nature.

The dipole moments μ_j of NMA and *p*-BNB at different temperatures were then computed from Eq. (10). The corrected μ_j values were obtained from Eq. (11). However both the values of dipole moments computed from Eqs (10) and (11) using the reported values of τ_s are higher than those of the actual values because of the estimated error⁶ of the order of 10% in

the calculated values of τ_s and hence the computed values of the dipole moments from these data would naturally be higher. Both these values of μ_j 's are given in Table 1, with those of reported μ_j , τ_s etc. The computed μ_j values from Eq. (10) are finally shown graphically in Fig. 5 against temperature. From Table 1 it is evident that μ_j 's are always higher when measured from low-concentration conductivity data of NMA in benzene and dioxane, but at 25°C the high concentration data (Fig. 3) always gives us the low value of dipole moment. However, *p*-BNB in benzene does not fall in this category. As observed by Dhull *et al.*⁶, the high values of dipole moments of NMA in benzene and dioxane are due to monomers, i.e. solute-solvent association which may actually occur in the lower-concentration region. This state of affairs changes above a certain concentration zone to dimer, i.e. solute-solute association. The variation in the theoretically computed μ_j values for these molecules, one aliphatic ketonic group and the other substituted benzene might be due to (i) the difference in the values of group moments and (ii) the inductive effect¹². The dipole moments of NMA in solvents at lower concentrations will be greater than those at higher concentrations (Table 1), shown both by the experimentally computed and theoretically obtained μ_j 's due to the solute-solute association, i.e. dimer formation. For *p*-BNB the group moments of C—NO₂ and C—Br act at a certain angle, assuming the benzene ring as a planar one (Fig. 6). With this conformation in view, the theoretical value of μ_j in terms of bond moments and bond angles gives us only the monomer μ_j value in case of *p*-BNB as it excellently agrees with the computed μ_j 's (Table 1). Thus *p*-BNB gives the dipole moments at higher concentration due to

 Table 1—Values of $(\mu_j)_{\text{comput}}$, $(\mu_j)_{\text{rept}}$, $(\mu_j)_{\text{theor}}$, $(\tau_s)_{\text{rept}}$ and $b(\text{comput})$ at Different Temperatures

System	Temp. in °C	$b(\text{Comput.})$	τ_s rept. 10^{-12} s	(μ_j) comput. [Eq. 10]	(μ_j) corr. [Eq. 11]	$(\mu_j)_\lambda$ D	$(\mu_j)_\lambda$ rept D
N-methyl acetamide in benzene	25	0.6334	12.13	3.882	4.135		3.69
	35	0.7068	10.27	4.008	4.262		3.78
	45	0.7637	8.87	4.064	4.313	4.30	3.80
	55	0.8065	7.81	4.216	4.467		3.82
N-methyl acetamide in dioxane	25	0.7185	9.88	3.647	3.862		3.66
	35	0.7824	8.41	3.886	4.109		3.69
	45	0.8252	7.34	3.830	4.043		3.78
	55	0.8631	6.35	3.907	4.117		3.83
N-methyl acetamide in benzene in high concentration	25	0.6987	10.47	2.236	2.383	2.48	1.87
<i>p</i> -Bromonitrobenzene in benzene	20	0.7905	8.21	3.456	3.687		
	30	0.8259	7.32	4.013	4.272	3.658	
	40	0.8657	6.28	4.494	4.774		

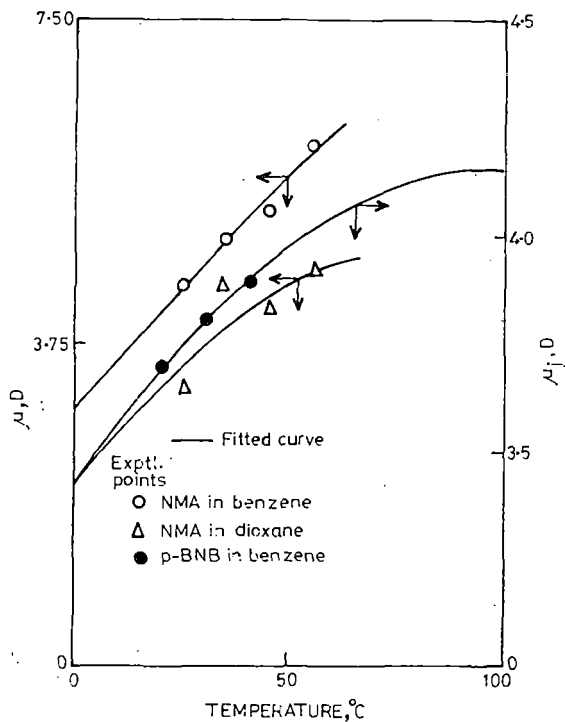


Fig. 5—Variation of experimentally observed dipole moment with temperature in °C along with the fitted curves

monomer formation. The group moments of C—CH₃, C—N and N—H groups act along a common axis as sketched in Fig. 6. But the group moments of C=O and N—CH₃ act along the direction normal to that of C—CH₃. With this preferred conformational directions for NMA as depicted in Fig. 6, the resultant μ_j value was obtained for monomer formation. These data for μ_j 's thus obtained also excellently agree with the computed μ_j 's (Table 1). But for the dimer formation of NMA in benzene the two monomers attach each other with their most electropositive and electronegative elements, i.e. —H and —O— form a certain angle viz. 123.5° as calculated both from experimental and theoretical. μ_j values as shown in Fig. 6, while the electropositive and electronegative elements project themselves along the dipole axes. Thus the dipole moment of dimer formation is less than those of monomer due to this preferred angle—the immediate obvious feature in Fig. 6 (ii). Further, the dipole moment (Fig. 5) is a temperature-dependent quantity when the system is subjected to UHF alternating fields. Hence it is concluded that the high values of dipole moments are due to formation of

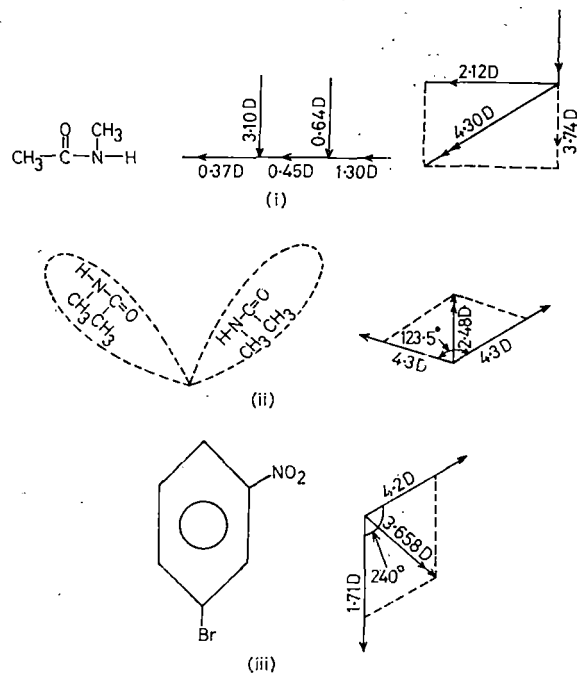


Fig. 6—Conformation of the different molecules showing the orientation of the bond axes, bond moments and also the dipole moments [(i) structural form of NMA; (ii), structural form of dimers; and (iii) structural form of *p*-BNB]

monomer and less value due to the formation of dimer in dielectrics, particularly in the case of NMA in benzene and dioxane.

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