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DENSIOMETRIC INVESTIGATIONS OF WATER - ACETAMIDE - KNO_3
TERNARY SYSTEM WITHIN THE TEMPERATURE RANGE 25-85°C

The density of KNO_3 solutions in water - acetamide mixed solvents has been measured. The apparent molal volume ϕ_v of KNO_3 and coefficient of volume expansion α has been calculated.

The partial molal volume \bar{V}_2^o of KNO_3 in mixed water - acetamide solvents by extrapolation up to $c = 0$ were obtained. The dependence of \bar{V}_2^o and α coefficient of investigated solutions on the concentration, the composition of the mixed solvent and temperature has been discussed. The conclusions about the effect of KNO_3 on the structure of water - acetamide mixed solvents have been drawn.

From many papers [1-17] follows that the analysis for the partial molal volume of the electrolyte as a function of the composition of mixed solvent and temperature enables to draw some conclusions concerning the interactions between the solute and the solvent. The previous investigations of water - acetamide system [18-21] showed that there exist spatial associates in which the molecules of water and acetamide are likely connected by hydrogen bonds. Moreover from papers [23-24] it follows that the hydrogen bonds in the associates water - acetamide are weaker than the hydrogen bonds in water.

In order to obtain further conclusions about the water - acetamide mixed solvents the measurements of the density of the ternary $\text{H}_2\text{O} - \text{AcNH}_2 - \text{KNO}_3$ system within the temperature range 25-85°C were carried out. It enables to calculate the apparent molal volume of KNO_3 and the coefficient of volume expansion α of

the investigated solutions. The analysis of change of these quantities as a function of the mole fraction of AcNH_2 and temperature of the mixed solvent made it possible to draw certain conclusions concerning the influence of KNO_3 on the structure of water - acetamide mixtures.

Experimental

The solutions used for investigations were made by mixing the weighted amounts of twice distilled water with acetamide p.a. produced by Xenon - Łódź. The method of purification of acetamide and KNO_3 was described earlier [19,25]. The measurements of density of examined solutions were carried out with the float magnetic densimeter. The method of measurements of density was described previously [19].

The density of the solutions was calculated from the formula:

$$d = \frac{M + m + f \cdot i_0}{V + m/d_{\text{Pt}}} \quad (1)$$

in which M - the weight of the float

m - the weight of the platinum rings on the float

f - the solenoid constant

i_0 - the current intensity in the measuring solenoid
at the moment of departure of the float from the
bottom

V - the volume of the float

d_{Pt} - the density of the platinum at the temperature
of the measurement

The accuracy of the density measurements was $1 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g/cm}^3$.

Results

The results of the measurements of the density of ternary $\text{H}_2\text{O} - \text{AcNH}_2 - \text{KNO}_3$ systems at the temperatures 25, 40, 60, 75 and 85°C are presented in tab. 1-5.

The values of density of the investigated solutions were used to calculate the apparent molal volume of KNO_3 according

Table 1. Density and apparent molal volume of KNO₃ in water - acetamide mixture containing 5 wt % of AcNH₂

| m [mole/kg] | 25°C | | 40°C | | 60°C | | 75°C | | 85°C | |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | d [g/cm ³] | ϕ_V [cm ³ /mole] |
| 0.0200 | 1.00145 | 39.5 | 0.99625 | 40.9 | 0.98675 | 42.3 | 0.97814 | 42.7 | 0.97170 | 43.1 |
| 0.0495 | 1.00326 | 39.6 | 0.99803 | 40.7 | 0.98846 | 42.5 | 0.97984 | 42.8 | 0.97340 | 42.9 |
| 0.0694 | 1.00447 | 39.7 | 0.99921 | 40.9 | 0.98961 | 42.6 | 0.98098 | 42.9 | 0.97454 | 43.0 |
| 0.0989 | 1.00626 | 39.8 | 1.00096 | 41.0 | 0.99132 | 42.6 | 0.98267 | 42.9 | 0.97622 | 43.1 |
| 0.1979 | 1.01224 | 39.9 | 1.00680 | 41.2 | 0.99700 | 42.7 | 0.98833 | 42.9 | 0.98184 | 43.1 |
| 0.2968 | 1.01814 | 40.0 | 1.01251 | 41.5 | 1.00253 | 43.0 | 0.99393 | 42.9 | 0.98742 | 43.1 |
| 0.3956 | 1.02395 | 40.2 | 1.01817 | 41.6 | 1.00802 | 43.2 | 0.99941 | 43.1 | 0.99292 | 43.1 |
| 0.4948 | 1.02970 | 40.3 | 1.02377 | 41.8 | 1.01352 | 43.2 | 1.00481 | 43.3 | 0.99836 | 43.3 |
| 0.5937 | 1.03538 | 40.5 | 1.02928 | 41.9 | 1.01892 | 43.3 | 1.01036 | 43.1 | 1.00402 | 42.9 |
| 0.6926 | 1.04142 | 40.0 | 1.03503 | 41.6 | 1.02458 | 42.9 | 1.01601 | 42.7 | 1.00931 | 43.0 |

Table 2. Density and apparent molal volume of KNO_3 in water - acetamide mixture containing 15 wt % of AcNH_2 .

| m [mole/kg] | 25°C | | 40°C | | 60°C | | 75°C | | 85°C | |
|----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| | d [g/cm³] | ϕ_v [cm³/mole] |
| 0.0201 | 1.00817 | 40.5 | 1.00199 | 42.4 | 0.99139 | 44.7 | 0.98214 | 45.1 | 0.97534 | 45.0 |
| 0.0347 | 1.00905 | 40.6 | 1.00284 | 42.5 | 0.99222 | 44.4 | 0.98295 | 45.2 | 0.97616 | 44.8 |
| 0.0497 | 1.00996 | 40.6 | 1.00371 | 42.6 | 0.99307 | 44.3 | 0.98379 | 45.0 | 0.97700 | 44.7 |
| 0.0694 | 1.01115 | 40.6 | 1.00486 | 42.6 | 0.99418 | 44.3 | 0.98488 | 45.1 | 0.97810 | 44.7 |
| 0.0999 | 1.01296 | 40.8 | 1.00662 | 42.7 | 0.99590 | 44.3 | 0.98658 | 45.0 | 0.97980 | 44.7 |
| 0.1980 | 1.01878 | 41.0 | 1.01227 | 42.7 | 1.00143 | 44.1 | 0.99204 | 44.7 | 0.98524 | 44.6 |
| 0.2968 | 1.02458 | 41.1 | 1.01790 | 42.8 | 1.00691 | 44.1 | 0.99745 | 44.8 | 0.99070 | 44.5 |
| 0.3956 | 1.03036 | 41.1 | 1.02351 | 42.8 | 1.01241 | 44.0 | 1.00291 | 44.5 | 0.99612 | 44.4 |
| 0.4948 | 1.03602 | 41.3 | 1.02911 | 42.7 | 1.01788 | 43.9 | 1.00838 | 44.4 | 1.00155 | 44.3 |
| 0.5937 | 1.04154 | 41.5 | 1.03446 | 43.0 | 1.02326 | 43.9 | 1.01382 | 44.2 | 1.00698 | 44.1 |

Table 3. Density and apparent molal volume of KNO₃ in water-acetamide mixture containing 30 wt % of AcNH₂.

| m [mole/kg] | 25°C | | 40°C | | 60°C | | 75°C | | 85°C | |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | d [g/cm ³] | ϕ_v [cm ³ /mole] |
| 0.0200 | 1.01830 | 43.8 | 1.01046 | 45.1 | 0.99806 | 46.5 | 0.98833 | 47.5 | 0.98079 | 47.4 |
| 0.0346 | 1.01914 | 43.7 | 1.01127 | 45.3 | 0.99886 | 46.4 | 0.98910 | 47.7 | 0.98158 | 47.1 |
| 0.0494 | 1.01998 | 43.9 | 1.01210 | 45.2 | 0.99967 | 46.3 | 0.98990 | 47.4 | 0.98239 | 46.7 |
| 0.0693 | 1.02112 | 43.8 | 1.01322 | 45.0 | 1.00077 | 46.1 | 0.99098 | 47.2 | 0.98347 | 46.6 |
| 0.0991 | 1.02283 | 43.7 | 1.01490 | 44.8 | 1.00240 | 46.0 | 0.99259 | 47.0 | 0.98509 | 46.5 |
| 0.1981 | 1.02848 | 43.6 | 1.02046 | 44.6 | 1.00785 | 45.6 | 0.99794 | 46.6 | 0.99047 | 46.2 |
| 0.2967 | 1.03404 | 43.6 | 1.02598 | 44.4 | 1.01332 | 45.2 | 1.00327 | 46.3 | 0.99585 | 45.8 |
| 0.3957 | 1.03960 | 43.6 | 1.03146 | 44.3 | 1.01892 | 44.6 | 1.00863 | 46.0 | 1.00125 | 45.5 |
| 0.4946 | 1.04518 | 43.4 | 1.03703 | 44.0 | 1.02436 | 44.5 | 1.01402 | 45.7 | 1.00672 | 45.1 |
| 0.5935 | 1.05115 | 42.6 | 1.04261 | 43.7 | 1.03011 | 43.8 | 1.01924 | 45.6 | 1.01222 | 44.7 |

Table 4. Density and apparent molal volume of KNO_3 in water-acetamide mixture containing 50 wt % of AcNH_2 .

| m [mole/kg] | 25°C | | 40°C | | 60°C | | 75°C | | 85°C | |
|----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| | d [g/cm³] | ϕ_v [cm³/mole] |
| 0.0200 | 1.03131 | 47.7 | 1.02100 | 48.6 | 1.00674 | 49.0 | 0.99535 | 49.1 | 0.98721 | 48.5 |
| 0.0353 | 1.03214 | 47.4 | 1.02182 | 48.1 | 1.00754 | 48.9 | 0.99615 | 48.9 | 0.98801 | 48.5 |
| 0.0499 | 1.03293 | 47.2 | 1.02260 | 47.9 | 1.00831 | 48.7 | 0.99693 | 48.4 | 0.98879 | 48.1 |
| 0.0693 | 1.03398 | 47.1 | 1.02364 | 47.7 | 1.00934 | 48.5 | 0.99796 | 48.2 | 0.98983 | 47.8 |
| 0.0994 | 1.03561 | 47.0 | 1.02526 | 47.5 | 1.01094 | 48.1 | 0.99956 | 48.0 | 0.99143 | 47.7 |
| 0.1979 | 1.04099 | 46.4 | 1.03062 | 46.8 | 1.01619 | 47.6 | 1.00482 | 47.5 | 0.99677 | 46.9 |
| 0.2975 | 1.04640 | 46.2 | 1.03610 | 46.2 | 1.02162 | 46.9 | 1.01018 | 47.0 | 1.00219 | 46.3 |
| 0.3962 | 1.05187 | 45.7 | 1.04154 | 45.8 | 1.02699 | 46.4 | 1.01558 | 46.4 | 1.00764 | 45.8 |
| 0.4952 | 1.05733 | 45.4 | 1.04698 | 45.4 | 1.03236 | 46.1 | 1.02096 | 46.0 | 1.01306 | 45.4 |
| 0.5935 | 1.06261 | 45.3 | 1.05234 | 45.2 | 1.03783 | 45.5 | 1.02640 | 45.5 | 1.01847 | 45.1 |

Table 5. Density and apparent molal volume of KNO₃ in water-acetamide mixture containing 70 wt % AcNH₂.

| m [mole/kg] | 40°C | | 60°C | | 75°C | | 85°C | |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | d [g/cm ³] | ϕ_v [cm ³ /mole] |
| 0.0205 | 1.02808 | 50.3 | 1.01267 | 50.3 | 1.00065 | 49.8 | 0.99176 | 49.3 |
| 0.0410 | 1.02913 | 50.0 | 1.01372 | 50.0 | 1.00171 | 49.5 | 0.99284 | 48.8 |
| 0.0786 | 1.03110 | 49.3 | 1.01567 | 49.5 | 1.00368 | 49.0 | 0.99484 | 48.2 |
| 0.1003 | 1.03222 | 49.2 | 1.01682 | 49.2 | 1.00483 | 48.7 | 0.99599 | 48.0 |
| 0.2000 | 1.03747 | 48.5 | 1.02204 | 48.6 | 1.01008 | 48.2 | 1.00137 | 47.2 |
| 0.3000 | 1.04276 | 48.0 | 1.02733 | 48.0 | 1.01542 | 47.6 | 1.00684 | 46.5 |
| 0.3977 | 1.04800 | 47.5 | 1.03262 | 47.4 | 1.02068 | 47.1 | 1.01224 | 45.9 |
| 0.4963 | 1.05330 | 47.1 | 1.03778 | 47.2 | 1.02608 | 46.5 | 1.01758 | 45.6 |
| 0.5936 | 1.05857 | 46.7 | 1.04302 | 46.8 | 1.03136 | 46.1 | 1.02301 | 45.1 |
| 0.6925 | 1.06390 | 46.3 | 1.04854 | 46.2 | 1.03656 | 46.0 | 1.02841 | 44.9 |

to

$$\phi_v = \frac{1000(d_o - d)}{mdd_o} + \frac{M}{d} \quad (2)$$

where d_o - the density of the solvent
 d - the density of the solution
 m - the concentration of the solution
 M - the molecular weight of the electrolyte.

The values ϕ_v calculated for all the examined solutions are given in tab. 1-5. In the case of diluted solutions ϕ_v is given by Masson's equation

$$\phi_v = \phi_v^0 + A\sqrt{c} \quad (3)$$

By extrapolation of the equation (3) up to $c = 0$ the values of ϕ_v^0 were obtained which corresponds to the partial molal volume of electrolyte at infinite dilution (V_2^0). The values of V_2^0 KNO_3 in water - acetamide mixed solvents are presented in tab. 6, and shown in fig. 1 as a function of the composition of mixed solvent and on temperature of the solution.

Table 6. Partial molal volume of KNO_3 in water-acetamide solutions within the temperature range 25-85°C [cm³/mole].

| wt % of AcNH_2 | 25 | 40 | 60 | 75 | 85 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| water | 38.0 | 39.3 | 40.4 | 41.0 | 41.1 |
| 5(1.58 mol %) | 39.0 | 40.4 | 42.0 | 42.7 | 42.7 |
| 15(5.10 mol %) | 41.0 | 42.4 | 44.6 | 45.2 | 45.0 |
| 30(11.55 mol %) | 44.0 | 45.6 | 47.0 | 48.0 | 47.7 |
| 50(23.36 mol %) | 48.0 | 49.0 | 49.9 | 49.8 | 49.4 |
| 70(41.55 mol %) | - | 50.9 | 51.2 | 50.6 | 50.0 |

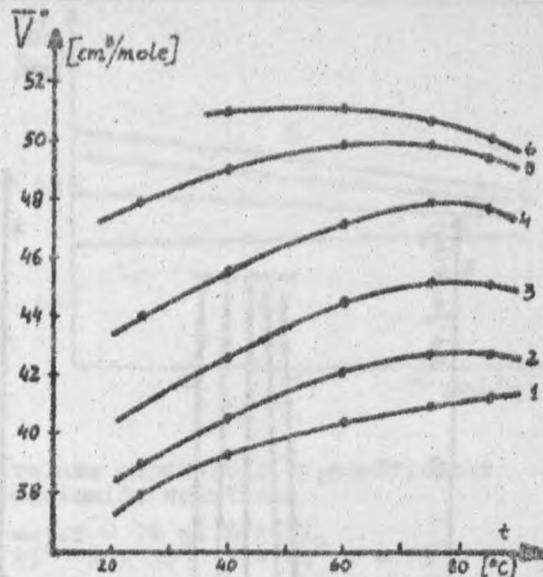


Fig. 1. The partial molal volume V_2° of KNO₃ in water-acetamide solutions 1 - water, 2 - water - 5 wt % (1.58 mol %) AcNH₂, 3 - water - 15 wt % (5.10 mol %) AcNH₂, 4 - water - 30 wt % (11.55 mol %) AcNH₂, 5 - water - 50 wt % (23.36 mol %) AcNH₂, 6 - water - 70 wt % (41.55 mol %) AcNH₂.

The measurements of density carried out within the larger temperature range enable to calculate the values of the coefficients of the equation

$$d_{x,m} = a + bT + cT^2 \quad (4)$$

describing the dependence of density of the examined solutions on the temperature. If we know the values of the coefficients a , b and c of the eq. 4 we can calculate the derivative $[\partial d / \partial T]_{x,m}$ and then the coefficient of volume expansion α of the examined solutions from formula

$$\alpha = - \frac{1}{d} / \frac{\partial d}{\partial T} \Big|_{x,m} \quad (5)$$

The values of coefficient of volume expansion α of H₂O - AcNH₂-KNO₃ systems are presented on fig. 2.

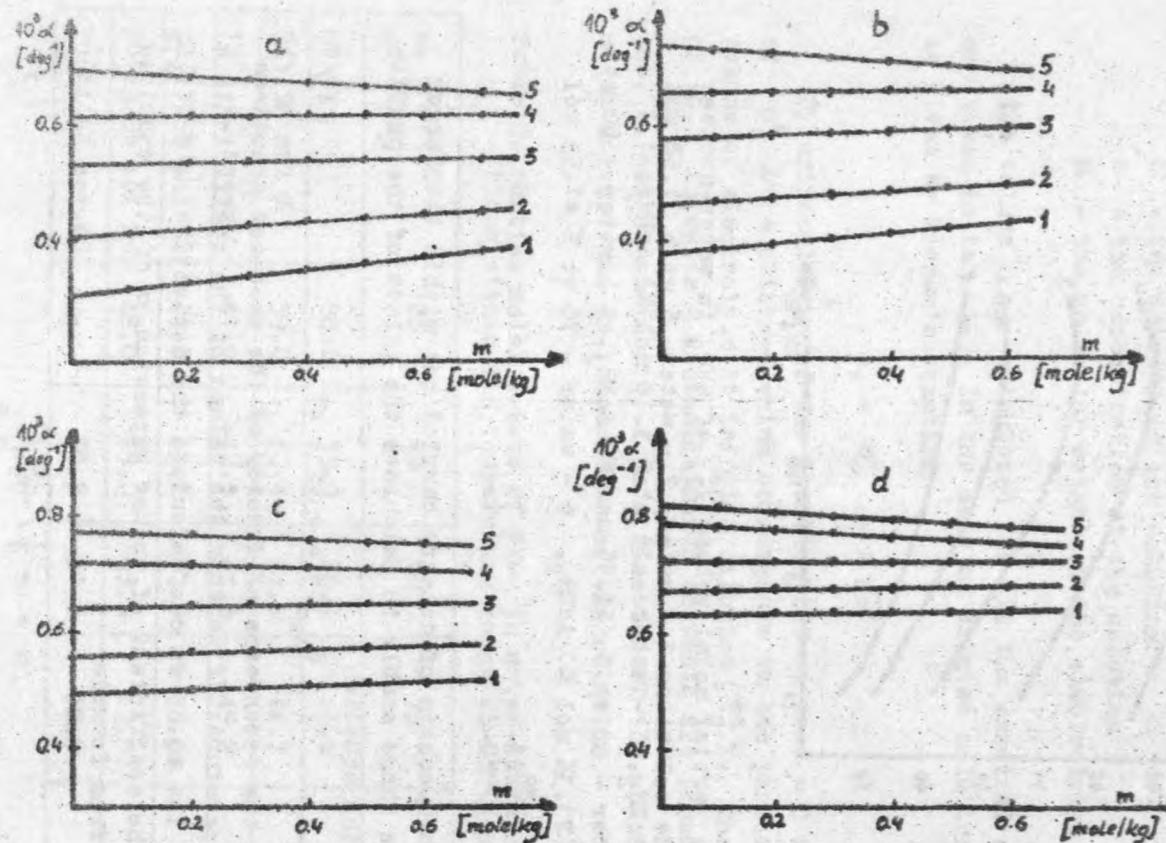


Fig. 2. The volume expansibility coefficient of KNO_3 in water-acetamide solutions
 a - water - 5 wt % AcNH_2 b - water - 15 wt % AcNH_2 c - water - 30 wt % AcNH_2
 d - water - 50 wt % AcNH_2 1-25, 2-40, 3-60, 4-75, 5-85°C

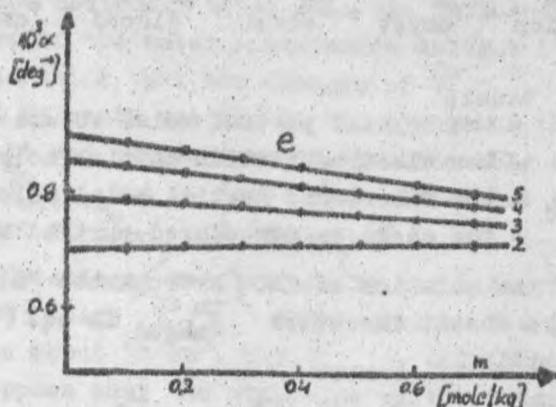


Fig. 2. The volume expansibility coefficient of KNO₃ in water-acetamide solutions

e - water - 70 wt % AcNH₂
1 - 25° 2 - 40° 3 - 60° 4 - 75° 5 - 85°C.

Discussion

As it can be seen from fig. 1 the partial molal volume of KNO₃ in the water - acetamide mixed solvents rises with the increase of acetamide concentration in the mixed solvent. The values of $\bar{V}_{KNO_3}^o$ increase as well with the increase of temperature and at certain temperature the value of $\bar{V}_{KNO_3}^o$ passes a maximum and then decreases. The temperature maximum T_{max} is highest in case of solutions KNO₃ in water (about 100°C [14]) and decreases with the increase of acetamide concentration in the mixed solvent. In case of the solvent containing 70 wt % (41.55 mol %) of AcNH₂ the temperature max. is ~55°C. Presented here character of changes of $\bar{V}_{KNO_3}^o$ as a function of concentration of acetamide and temperature can be explained with the multilayer hydration model used by Gurney [27] and Frank - Wen [28]. Using this model the partial molal volume of an ion at infinite dilution \bar{V}_{ion}^o can be dissected in to following components:

$$\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ} = \bar{V}_{\text{cryst}}^{\circ} + \bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ} + \bar{V}_{\text{disord}}^{\circ} + \bar{V}_{\text{caged}}^{\circ} \quad (6)$$

where
 $\bar{V}_{\text{cryst}}^{\circ}$ - the crystal partial molal volume
 $\bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ}$ - the electrostriction partial molal volume
 $\bar{V}_{\text{disord}}^{\circ}$ - the disordered partial molal volume
 $\bar{V}_{\text{caged}}^{\circ}$ - the caged or structured partial molal volume

In case of the solution of KNO_3 hydrophobic "Structure-making" ions are absent therefore $\bar{V}_{\text{caged}}^{\circ}$ in eq. (6) can be omitted. We obtain

$$\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ} = \bar{V}_{\text{cryst}}^{\circ} + \bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ} + \bar{V}_{\text{disord}}^{\circ} \quad (7)$$

Since $\bar{V}_{\text{cryst}}^{\circ}$ can be assumed to be a constant and equal to the volume of the ion in the crystal [27-31] so the changes of $\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ}$ are caused by the changes of both terms $\bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ}$ and $\bar{V}_{\text{disord}}^{\circ}$.

From the theory [31, 32] it is known that $\bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ}$ is a function of the electric permeability of the solvent and passes a maximum as a function of temperature [33, 34]. The temperature of the maximum value of $\bar{V}_{\text{elect}}^{\circ}$ (T_{max}) is a function of the field strength of ion. For ions exerting high field strength on the solvation cospHERE the maximum appears at lower temperature than for ions exerting weaker field strength. According to Rehderwald and Moldner [35] the electric permeability of the water - acetamide mixed solvent increases attaining the maximum value in the solution containing about 40 mol % of acetamide and then it decreases. On the other hand if we compare the values $\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ}$ of electrolytes in various solvents we infer that the values of $\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ}$ rise with the increase of the electric permeability of the solvent. In case of the solvents which have a similar electric permeability the values $\bar{V}_{\text{ion}}^{\circ}$ are higher in the solvents with the strong association [22].

From these considerations it follows that the increase of $\bar{V}_{\text{KNO}_3}^{\circ}$ in the investigated water - acetamide solvents is probably due to the increase of the electric permeability of solvent for the course of the changes of the function $\bar{V}_{\text{KNO}_3}^{\circ} = f(x_{\text{AcNH}_2}, T)$ is similar to the changes of function

$$\bar{V}^o_{elect} = F(\text{electric permeability, temperature}) .$$

We can not obviously total omit the influence of KNO_3 on the structure of the water - acetamide solvent ($\bar{V}^o_{discord}$). However one can think that the changes of $\bar{V}^o_{discord}$ of KNO_3 in the examined solvents are due to the change of the composition of the solvent and temperature are considerably smaller than the changes \bar{V}^o_{elect} and it does not decide about the course of the dependence of $\bar{V}^o_{KNO_3} = f(x_{\text{AcNH}_2}, T)$.

Similar dependence can be seen in the case of the aqueous solutions [36] where \bar{V}^o_{elect} for ion with $r = 1 \text{ \AA}$ from 0 to 200°C changes about 18 cm^3 , but $\bar{V}^o_{discord}$ only about $2 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mol}$. So we can suppose that the structure of the water - acetamide mixed solvents is not fundamentally different in comparison with the structure of water. It is confirmed by the papers [18-24] from which follows that in the water - acetamide mixed solvents the molecules of acetamide form hydrogen bonds with water molecules into three - dimentional network.

In order to get additional information about KNO_3 effect on water - acetamide solvent structure the values of the difference between the $\bar{V}^o_{\text{KNO}_3} - \bar{V}^o_{\text{cryst}}$ were calculated (Tab. 7). As it can be seen from the eq. (7) the positive value of the difference $\bar{V}^o_{\text{ion}} - \bar{V}^o_{\text{cryst}}$ proves that $\bar{V}^o_{discord} > \bar{V}^o_{elect}$ or the volume of the disordered region in the solvent around the solvated ion is larger than region of the electrostriction. In such case we can assume that the ions break the original structure of the solvent ("Structure-breaking" ions or negative hydrating ions). As it is seen from tab. 7 the values of the difference $\bar{V}^o_{\text{KNO}_3} - \bar{V}^o_{\text{cryst}} = \bar{V}^o_{\text{discord}} - \bar{V}^o_{\text{elect}}$ in the water - acetamide mixed solvents are positive. It proves that KNO_3 breakes the structure of water - acetamide mixed solvents. It can be added that the breaking effect of KNO_3 rises with the increase of the concentration of acetamide in the mixed solvent and the increase of temperature until the temperature reaches the value T_{\max} then begins to decreases. The intensity of interaction of KNO_3 in the solvents containing more acetamide can be explained by the breaking of the larger quantity of weaker hydrogen bonds by electrolyte. The increase of temperature causes probably the

Table 7. The difference $\bar{V}_\text{ion}^\circ - \bar{V}_\text{cryst.}^\circ$ of KNO_3 in water - acetamide solutions within the temperature range 25-85°C [cm^3/mole].

| T °C | 25 | 40 | 60 | 75 | 85 | T _{max} |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------|
| Water | 11.0 | 12.3 | 13.4 | 14.0 | 14.1 | ~100 [36] |
| 1.58 mol % AcNH_2 | 12.0 | 13.4 | 15.0 | 15.7 | 15.7 | ~ 80 |
| 5.10 mol % AcNH_2 | 14.0 | 15.4 | 17.6 | 18.2 | 18.0 | ~ 75 |
| 11.55 mol % AcNH_2 | 17.0 | 18.6 | 20.0 | 21.0 | 20.7 | ~ 70 |
| 23.36 mol % AcNH_2 | 21.0 | 22.0 | 22.9 | 22.8 | 22.4 | ~ 60 |
| 41.55 mol % AcNH_2 | - | 23.9 | 24.2 | 23.6 | 23.0 | ~ 55 |

weakening of hydrogen bonds because of more intensive thermal motions of the molecules. This effect makes easier the breaking of weaker hydrogen bonds by KNO_3 . The disordering effect of KNO_3 begins to decrease above the temperature T_{max} (see tab. 7).

The conclusions obtained from the analysis of the dependence $\bar{V}_\text{KNO}_3^\circ = f(x_{\text{AcNH}_2}, T)$ in the mixed solvent can be confirmed by the course of the dependence of volume expansion coefficient α of investigated systems as a function of the composition of the mixed solvent and temperature. As it is seen from Fig 2 the values of the coefficient α rise with the increase of the concentration of electrolyte in the mixed solvent until a certain transitional temperature T_p above which a function $\alpha = f(c)$ decreases. The value of the transitional temperature T_p depends on concentration of acetamide in the mixed solvent and as can be seen from fig. 2 it decreases with the increase of the mole fraction of AcNH_2 in the mixed solvent. It is easy to notice the

convergence of the T_p and T_{\max} . The changes of the coefficient α described here according with the conclusions from papers [37-39] proves that the growth of the coefficient α with the increase of concentration of the electrolyte in solution suggest the breaking effect of electrolyte on the structure of the solvent and vice versa. It appears that KNO₃ disorders the structure of water - acetamide mixed solvent only below the temperature T_p but above this temperature it begins to reveal ordering effect of the hydration of ions. The increase of the coefficient α with the increase of concentration of acetamide in solution proves that the solution expands more easily. Thus it can be assumed that the hydrogen bonds in the water - acetamide mixed solvents are weaker than the hydrogen bonds in the water. This opinion is in agreement with the conclusion following from the papers of Goncharov et al. [23-24].

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DENSYMETRYCZNE BADANIA UKŁADU H₂O - AcNH₂ - KNO₃
W ZAKRESIE TEMPERATURY 25 - 85°C

Zmierzono gęstość roztworów KNO₃ w rozpuszczalnikach mieszanych woda - acetamid w zakresie temperatury 25-85°C. Wykorzystując otrzymane wartości gęstości obliczono pozorną molową objętość Φ_v elektrolitu i współczynnik rozszerzalności objętościowej α . Poprzez ekstrapolację wartości Φ_v do rzeczywistego nieskończenie wielkiego otrzymano wartości cząstkowej molowej objętości \overline{V}_v^o KNO₃ w badanych rozpuszczalnikach.

Przedyskutowano zależność \bar{V}_c^o i współczynnika α w funkcji stężenia roztworu, składu rozpuszczalnika mieszanego i jego temperatury. Wysnuto wniosek odnośnie wpływu KNO_3 na strukturę badanych rozpuszczalników wodno-acetamidowych.