Thermodynamics of Transfer of Nonelectrolytes from Light to Heavy Water. II. Evaluation of Solvation Energy of Transfer Applying the Internal Charge Distribution of Solute Molecule Estimated by CNDO Calculations

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A part of the transfer energy of solvation was estimated on the basis of the internal charge distribution of the solute molecule calculated by the CNDO molecular orbital method for some aromatic hydrocarbons, aromatic ethers, and nitrobenzenes. The magnitude of this energy was about 30 % of the transfer free energy from H_2O to D_2O for nitrobenzenes. Nonelectrolytes like nitrobenzenes are so called "structure breakers" which closely resemble electrolytes.

Many theories have been created to clarify the conceptions that deal with the structure of aqueous nonelectrolyte solutions, but the problem is not easily solved. The common laws and rules that hold in liquids are not valid in water and aqueous solutions. There is a unanimous agreement about the fact that a nonreacting solute increases the waterlike structure in its immediate neighborhood.[1] In this respect, the aliphatic hydrocarbons are ideal compounds.

The water layer just around the solute is of greatest importance and most of the attention must be paid to it. The usual concept of the constitution of the energy that is needed when a solute is transferred from the gas phase to solution can be applied to this case. First of all, there is an energy component which a solute needs to create a proper hole or cavity into the solvent. Secondly, the solute brings about a certain arrangement of solvent molecules around the solute. If this occurs in a waterlike manner in water, the solute is known as "structure maker". The effects of another

kind are regarded as "structure breaking". Thirdly, there is an energy component which is associated with interactions between the solute molecule and water. There are three kinds of interactions, namely, isotropic, anisotropic, such as caused by hydrogen bonds, and those caused by dispersion forces.

The most proper quantities to illustrate the energy effects mentioned above would, no doubt, be the changes in enthalpy and entropy when the solute is transferred from the gas phase to solution. It is to be expected that the respective quantities of transfer for the solute from H_2O to D_2O would reflect this phenomenon still more profoundly. The values of enthalpy and entropy of transfer determined with the aid of the van't Hoff method have generally a very low accuracy for drawing further conclusions. It is, however, to be anticipated that some of the effects mentioned above will appear when they are studied by the aid of the values of transfer free energies.

CALCULATIONS

The isotropic component can be described in the following way. The change in the isotropic energy component when the solute is transferred from vacuum into water can be estimated by eqn. (1) of Born[2] and Hoijtink et al.[3] This equa-

$$\Delta E = - \sum \frac{Q_i Q_j}{2 r_{ij}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{D_{H_2O}} \right) \tag{1}$$

tion has later been widely applied by Daudel.[4] In the equation Q_i and Q_j are the apparent charges of atoms i and j, r_{ij} is the distance between them except in the case when i and j are identical. In this latter case r_i represents the estimated covalent radius according to Pauling.[5] Furthermore, D_{H_2O} is an effective dielectric constant of water.

When a solute is transferred from light to heavy water, the corresponding form for eqn. (1) is expressed by equation (2). When the values of D_{H_2O} and D_{D_2O} are 78.39 and 78.06,

$$\Delta E_t = - \sum \frac{Q_i Q_j}{2r_{ij}} \left(\frac{1}{D_{H_2O}} - \frac{1}{D_{D_2O}} \right) \qquad (2)$$

respectively,[6] and joule/mol is chosen as the energy unit, eqn. (3) is obtained. This equation gives information of the isotropic interaction energy for the transfer of a solute from H_2O

$$\Delta E_t = 75 \sum \frac{Q_i Q_j}{2 \, r_{ij}} \qquad (3)$$

to D_2O. However, this energy represents only a part of the whole transfer energy.

The changes in free energy of transfer from H_2O to D_2O for the solutes have been reported earlier.[7]

Atomic populations of the solutes were calculated applying the CNDO treatment formulated by Pople and Segal.[8a,b,c] The calculations were carried out on a Univac 1108 computer, with the aid of the program described by Pople and Beveridge.[9] The data needed for the computer consisted of the cartesian coordinates and atomic numbers of each atom in the solute molecule. This program yields atomic populations from which the apparent charges of atoms could be calculated. Only atoms with an atom number below 18 could be treated in this way.

Bond lengths and angles were taken from literature.[10a,b] All aromatic compounds were assumed to be planar, with the exception of diphenyl, in which the plane of the second ring was assumed to be twisted by an angle of 45° with respect to the first ring. This evidently had no effect on the calculated charges. The methyl group was supposed to have its normal tetrahedral structure. The ethyl group in ethoxybenzene was assumed to have a staggered conformation. The difference in ΔE_t values between staggered and eclipsed conformations is negligible in this case. The calculated apparent charges on various atoms of the solutes are presented in Scheme 1 (only the mean values of the charges have been reported for symmetrical molecules).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This kind of investigation has, of course, a semiquantitative character. When the same molecular orbital method is applied to compounds having nearly similar structures, the possible correlations are reliable. Using the CNDO method it was possible to calculate the apparent charges for all the atoms in the solute molecule. Therefore, the summation could also be made over all the atoms in the solute compound. The dipole moments obtained in
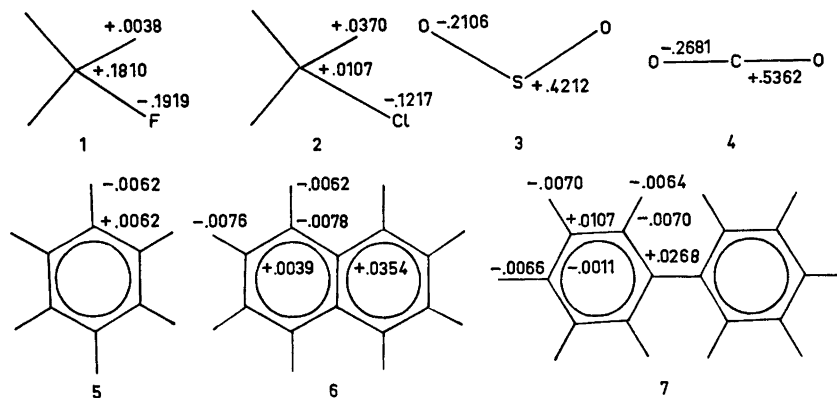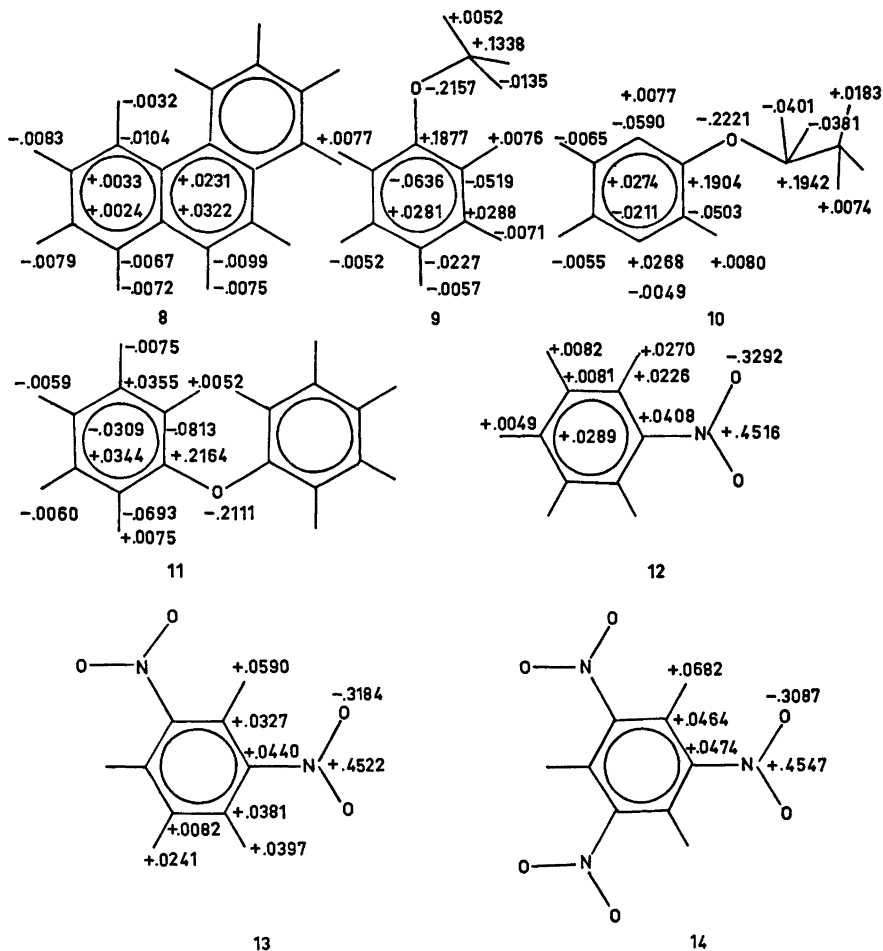
Scheme 1.

connection with the calculations of the internal charge distribution agree satisfactorily with those reported in literature.[11] For instance, for methoxybenzene the values were 1.47 D and 1.38 D, respectively (1 D = 3.33 10^{-30} A s m). Nitrobenzene had the largest deviation when compared with the literature value, namely, 5.08 D and 4.22 D, respectively. For the compounds which by symmetry should have the zero dipole moment this method gave values from 0.00009 D (naphthalene) to 0.0398 D (1,3,5-trinitrobenzene).

The plot of the transfer free energy, ΔG°_{t}, versus ΔE_{t} is presented in Fig. 1. In the first place, it can be noticed that normal aromatic hydrocarbons like benzene, naphthalene, di-
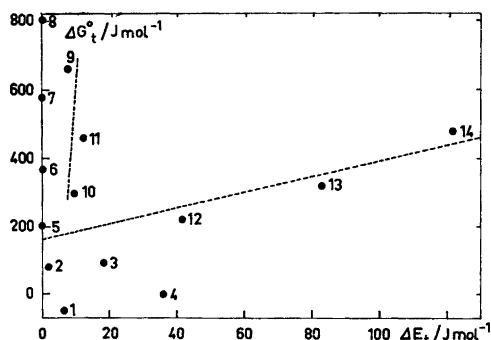
Fig. 1. Plot of the transfer free energy from H_2O to D_2O (ΔG°_{t}) versus the solvation energy (ΔE_{t}) for some nonelectrolyte solutes (For numbers, see Scheme 1).