PROPERTIES OF COMPRESSIONAL WAVES. I

LJD Liquids	Temper- ature T*	Volume V*	Coefficient of Thermal Expansion $\frac{1}{V^*} \left(\frac{\partial V^*}{\partial T^*} \right)_P$	Isothermal Compressibility $-\frac{1}{V^*} \left(\frac{\partial V^*}{\partial P^*} \right)_T$	$\frac{\text{Heat}}{\text{Capacity}}_{C_V^*}$	Speed of Sound u*
	0	0.916	0	0.0133	0	8.30
e	0.70	1.037	0.244	0.0348	$2 \cdot 61$	6.63
	0.75	1.050	0.261	0.0386	2.58	6.47
(a) Classical:	0.80	1.065	0.287	0.0433	$2 \cdot 55$	$6 \cdot 34$
$\Lambda^{*} = 0$	0.85	1.081	0.316	0.0493	$2 \cdot 53$	$6 \cdot 17$
	0.90	1.099	0.352	0.0571	$2 \cdot 50$	5.98
	0.95	$1 \cdot 120$	0.405	0.0683	$2 \cdot 47$	5.78
	$1 \cdot 00$	$1 \cdot 145$	0.491	0.0851	$2 \cdot 43$	$5 \cdot 60$
	0.70	1.090	0.319	0.0454	2.71	6.00
	0.75	1.109	0.358	0.0527	2.68	5.77
(b) Quantal:	0.80	1.130	0.408	0.0626	$2 \cdot 64$	$5 \cdot 52$
Λ*=0·5	0.85	$1 \cdot 155$	0.477	0.0771	$2 \cdot 59$	$5 \cdot 24$
	0.90	1.186	0.584	0.1004	$2 \cdot 54$	$4 \cdot 92$
	0.95	$1 \cdot 226$	0.784	0.1458	$2 \cdot 47$	$4 \cdot 53$
	$1 \cdot 00$	$1 \cdot 290$	$1 \cdot 366$	0.286	$2 \cdot 38$	$3 \cdot 99$
	0.70	1.213	0.474	0.0819	2.46	4.87
(c) Quantal:	0.75	$1 \cdot 245$	0.586	0.1061	2.47	4.58
$\Lambda^* = 1 \cdot 0$	0.80	1.288	0.780	0.1516	$2 \cdot 45$	$4 \cdot 22$
	0.85	1.353	$1 \cdot 287$	0.280	$2 \cdot 38$	$3 \cdot 71$

TABLE 1

† This value was derived previously (Hamann 1960).

Our calculations on quantal liquids were limited to values of Λ^* less than 1.5 for two reasons:

(i) If Λ^* is much greater than one, the stable range of the liquid state is shifted to lower reduced temperatures than are covered by the tables of Wentorf et al. (1950).

(ii) Equations (12) and (15) were based on an Euler-Maclaurin expansion of the partition function (Hamann 1952) which is only valid when x^* is greater than 1.5. If Λ^* is large, x^* becomes less than this value. We have therefore not been able to apply the theory directly to H₂ and the helium isotopes, but the trend of the curves to $\Lambda^*=1$ is certainly sufficient to explain the behaviour of the lighter liquids.

(b) Liquids at High Pressures

The computation of u^* is easily extended to compressed liquids. Using the polynomial form (10) of the $P^* - V^*$ relation, we can derive values of the derivative $(\partial P^*/\partial V^*)_r$ over a wide range of temperatures and densities. As before, the derivative $(\partial P^*/\partial T^*)_{\nu}$ and the corresponding values of P^* and C_{ν}^* can be taken directly from the tables of Wentorf et al. (1950). The results are

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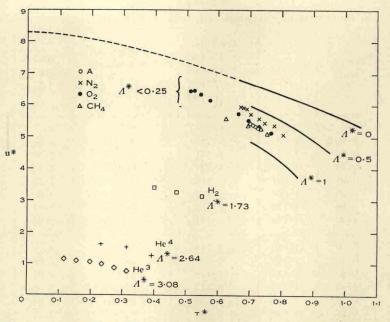


Fig. 1.—A comparison of the calculated and experimental speeds of sound in simple liquids. The sources of the experimental data for A, N₂, O₂, CH₄, H₂, and He⁴ have been given in an earlier paper (Hamann 1960). The data for He³ have been taken from a paper by Atkins and Flicker (1959).

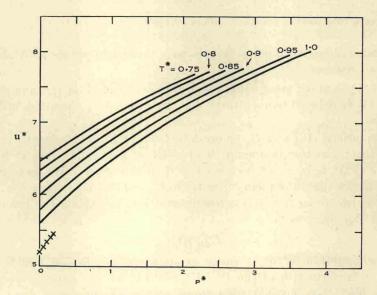


Fig. 2.—The effect of pressure on the speed of sound. The curves represent the theoretical Leonard-Jones–Devonshire relations and the crosses denote the experimental data for argon at $T^*=0.75$.

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