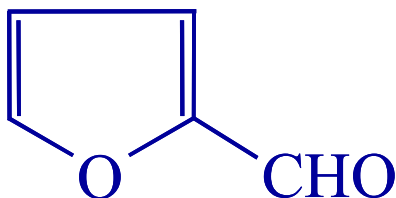


# PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF FURFURAL



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## 1. OVERVIEW:

### 1.1 GENERAL PROPERTIES:

Molecular weight	<b>96.08</b>
Boiling point at 101.3 kPa (1 atm), °C	<b>161.7</b>
Freezing point, °C	<b>-36.5</b>
Refractive index, $n_D$	
20°C	<b>1.5261</b>
25°C	<b>1.5235</b>
Density, $d_4$ at 20°C, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	<b>1.1598</b>
Vapor density (air=1)	<b>3.3</b>
Critical pressure, $P_c$ , MPa	<b>5.502</b>
Critical temperature, $T_c$ , °C	<b>397</b>
Solubility in, wt%	
water	<b>8.3</b>
alcohol; ether	$\infty$

## 1.2 THERMODYNAMIC PROPERTIES:

Heat of vaporization (liq), kJ/mol	42.8
Heat capacity (liq), J/(g.K) 20-100°C	1.74
Heat of combustion (liq), kJ/mol	2344
Enthalpy of formation, kJ/mol	-151

## 1.3 FLUID PROPERTIES:

Viscosity, mPa.s, 25°C	1.49
Surface tension, mN/m (=dyn/cm) 29.9°C	40.7

## 1.4 ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES:

Dielectric constant 20°C	41.9
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## 1.5 FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES:

Explosion limits (in air), vol%	2.1-19.3
Flash point, °C, tag closed cup	61.7
Auto ignition temperature, °C	315

## 2. PHYSICAL PROPERTIES IN DETAIL:

### 2.1 VAPOR PRESSURE:

$$p_i = \exp(a + b/T + c \cdot \ln(T) + d \cdot T^2)$$

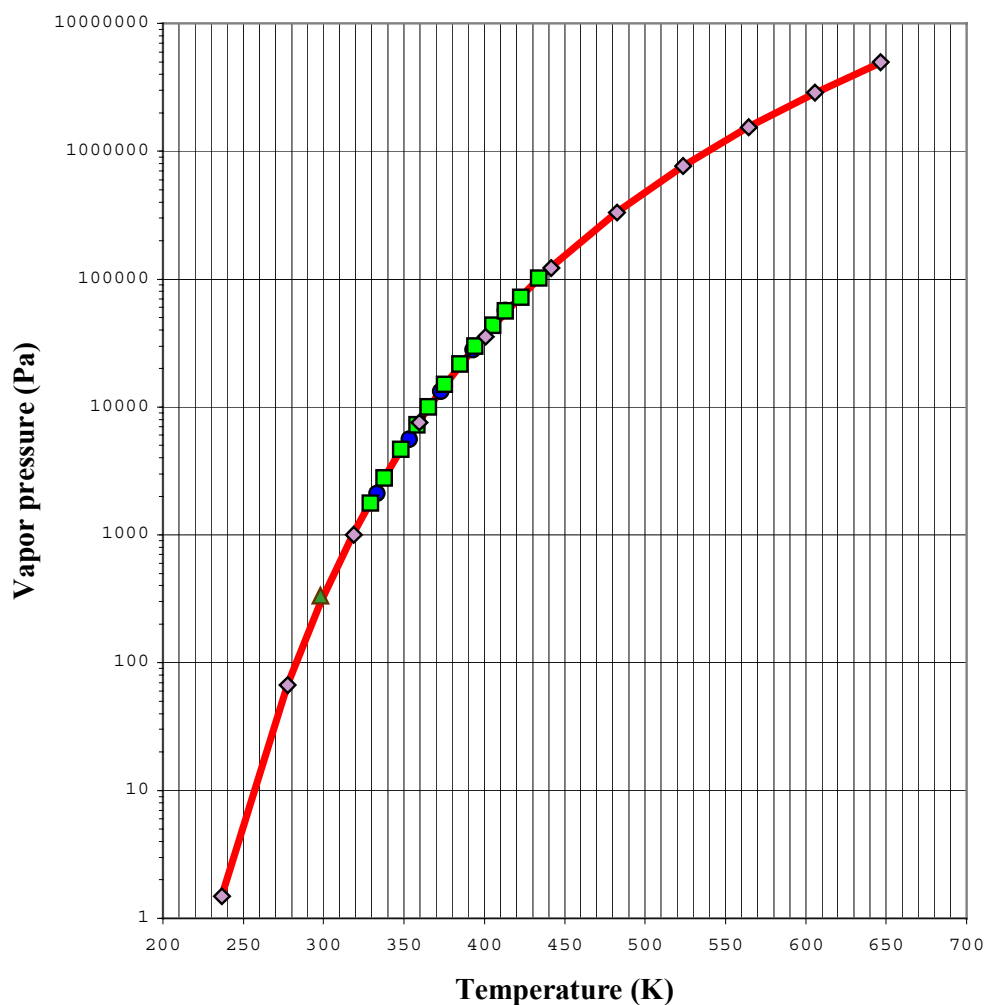
$$a = 78,653$$

$$b = -8043$$

$$c = -8,1424$$

$$d = 4,509e-6$$

$$(p_i \text{ in Pa; } T \text{ in K})$$



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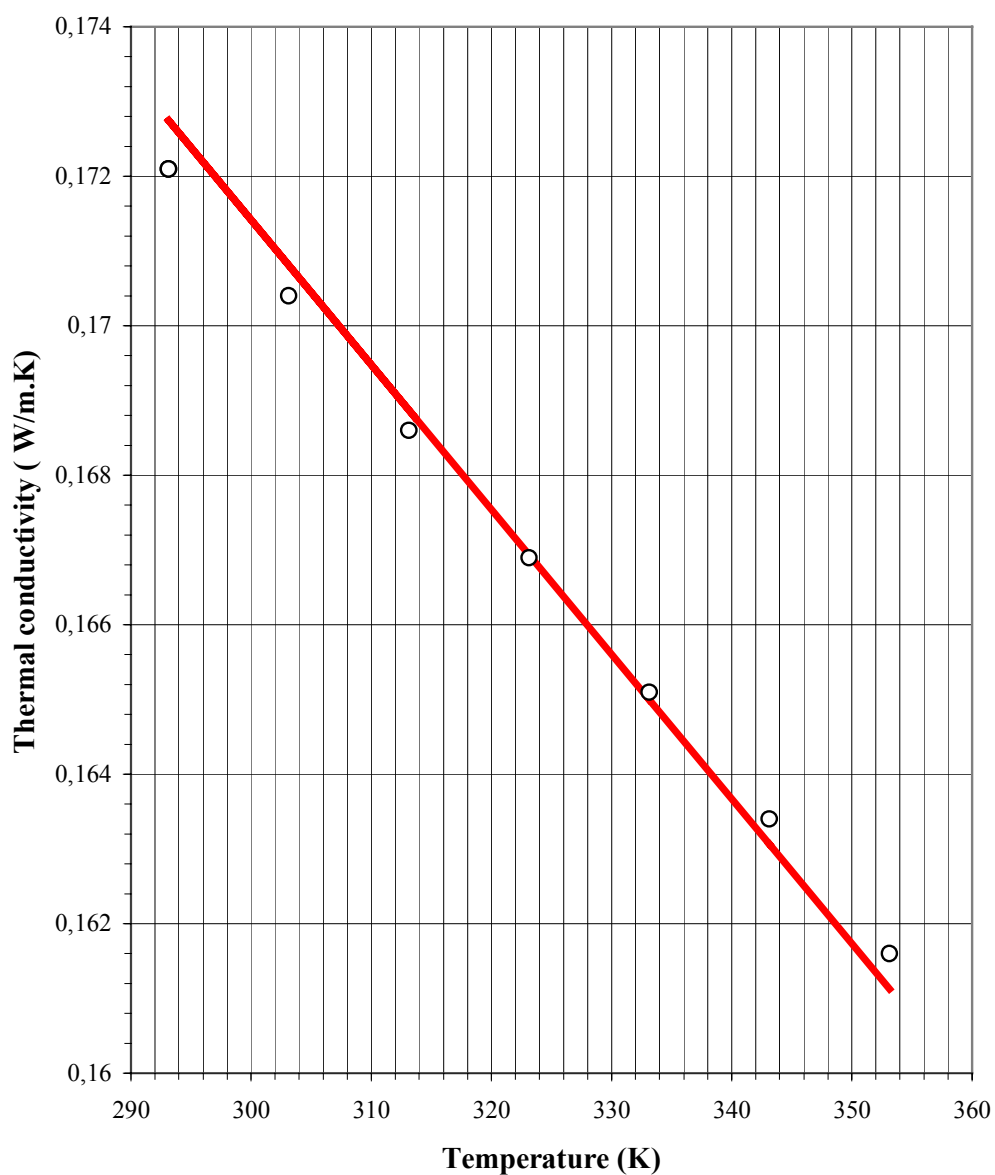
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## 2.2 THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY:

**Liquid**  
 $\lambda = a + b.T$   
 $a = 0,2295$   
 $b = -1,936e-4$   
 ( $\lambda$  in  $W/m.K$ ;  $T$  in  $K$ )

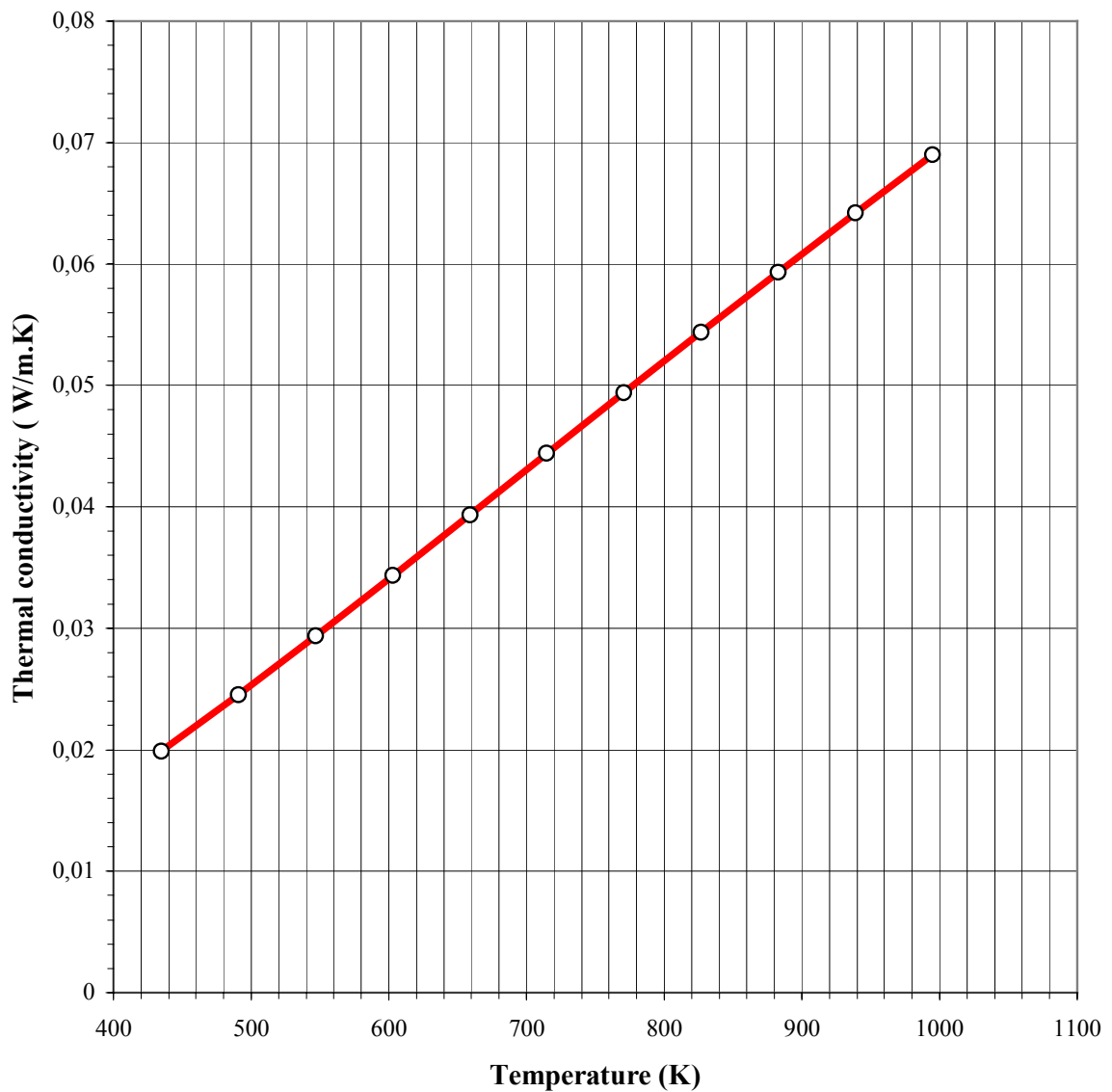


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**Vapor**

$$\lambda = (a \cdot T^b) / (1 + c/T + d/T^2)$$

**a** = 8,3221e-3  
**b** = 0,4228  
**c** = 637,87  
**d** = 5,502e5  
 (  $\lambda$  in W/m.K ; T in K )



○ Predicted data from Stiel, L.I., Thodos, G., "The thermal conductivity of nonpolar substances in the dense gaseous and liquid regions," AIChE J. 10, 266 (1964)

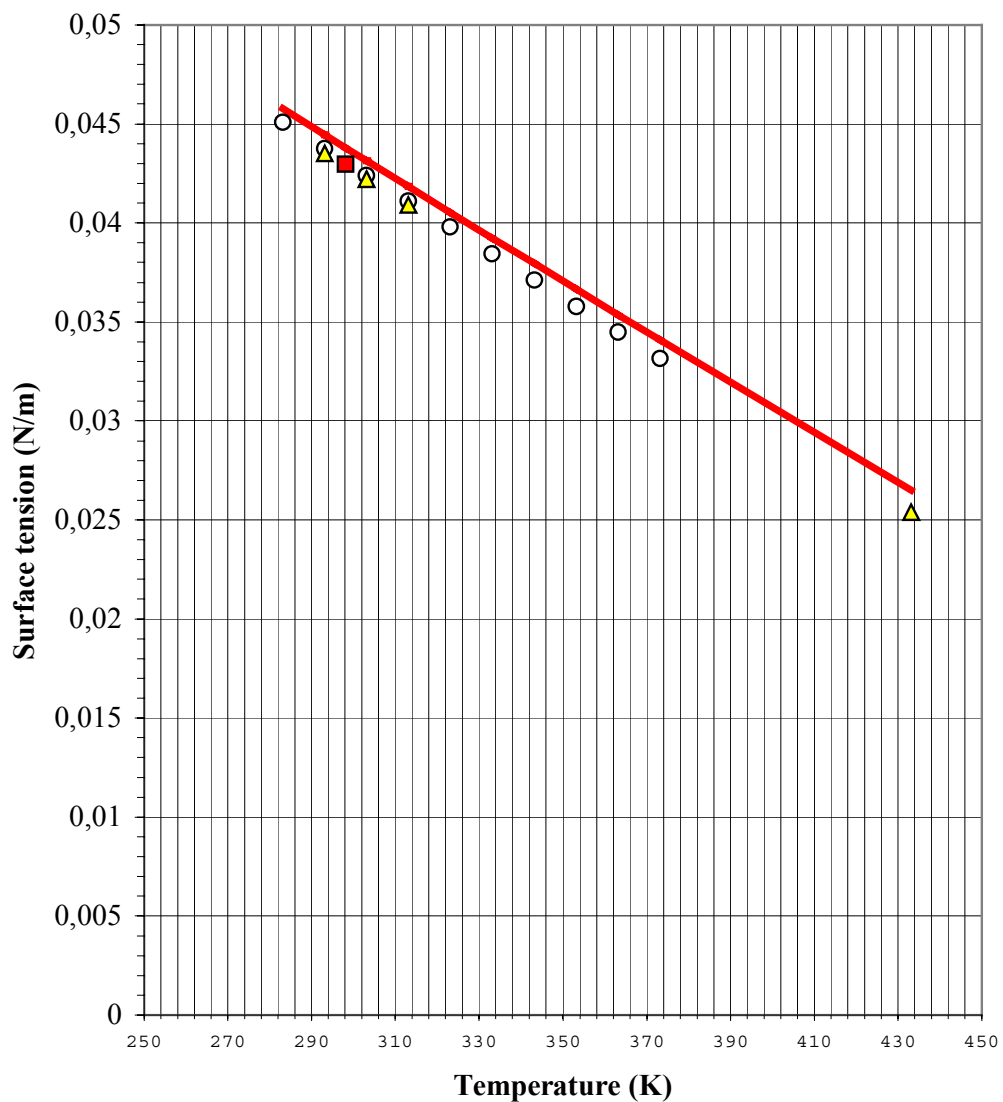
## 2.3 SURFACE TENSION:

$$\sigma = a \cdot (1 - T_r)^b$$

$$a = 0,08429$$

$$b = 1,1124$$

( $\sigma$  in N/m ;  $T$  in K)



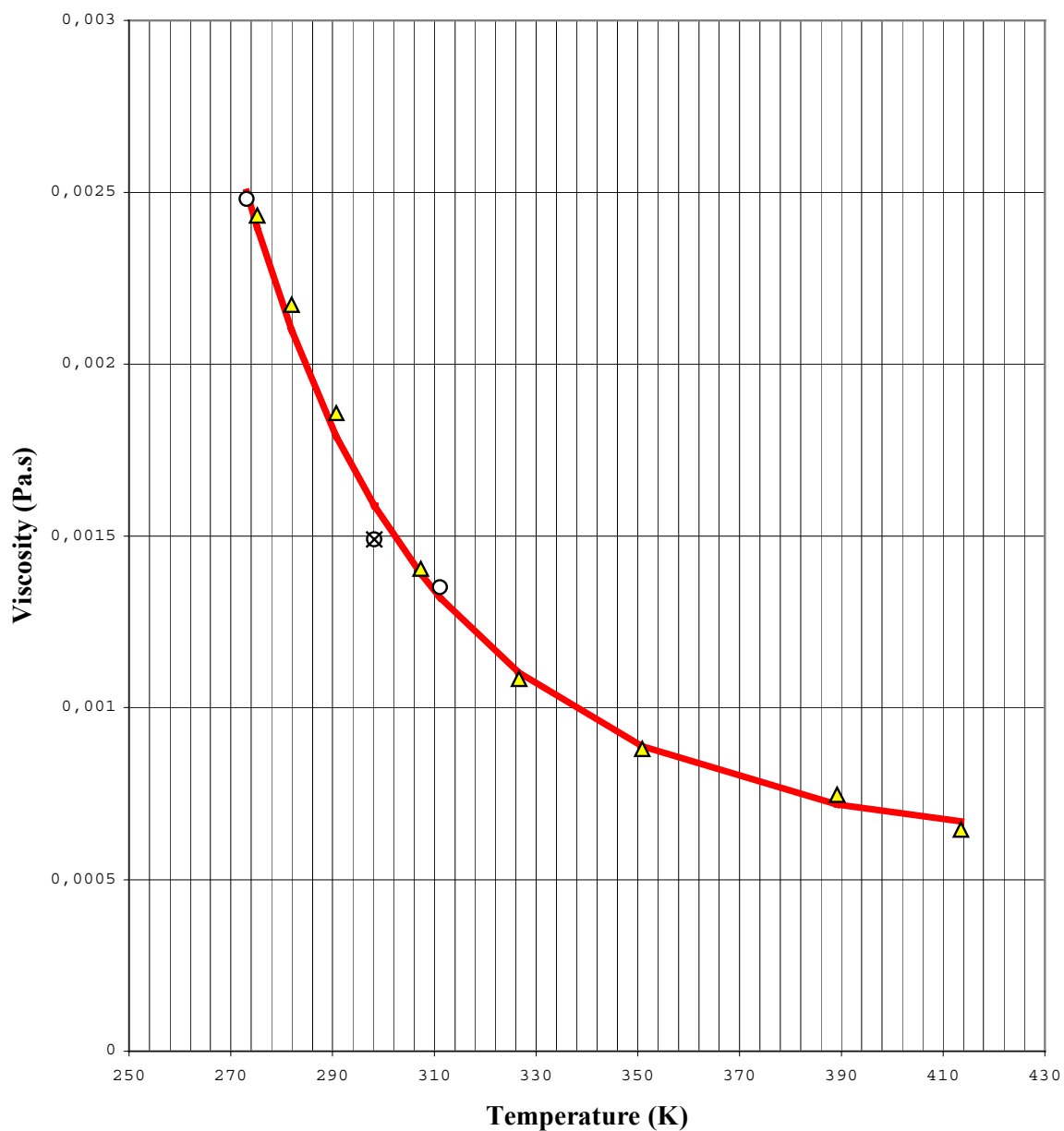
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## 2.4 VISCOSITY:

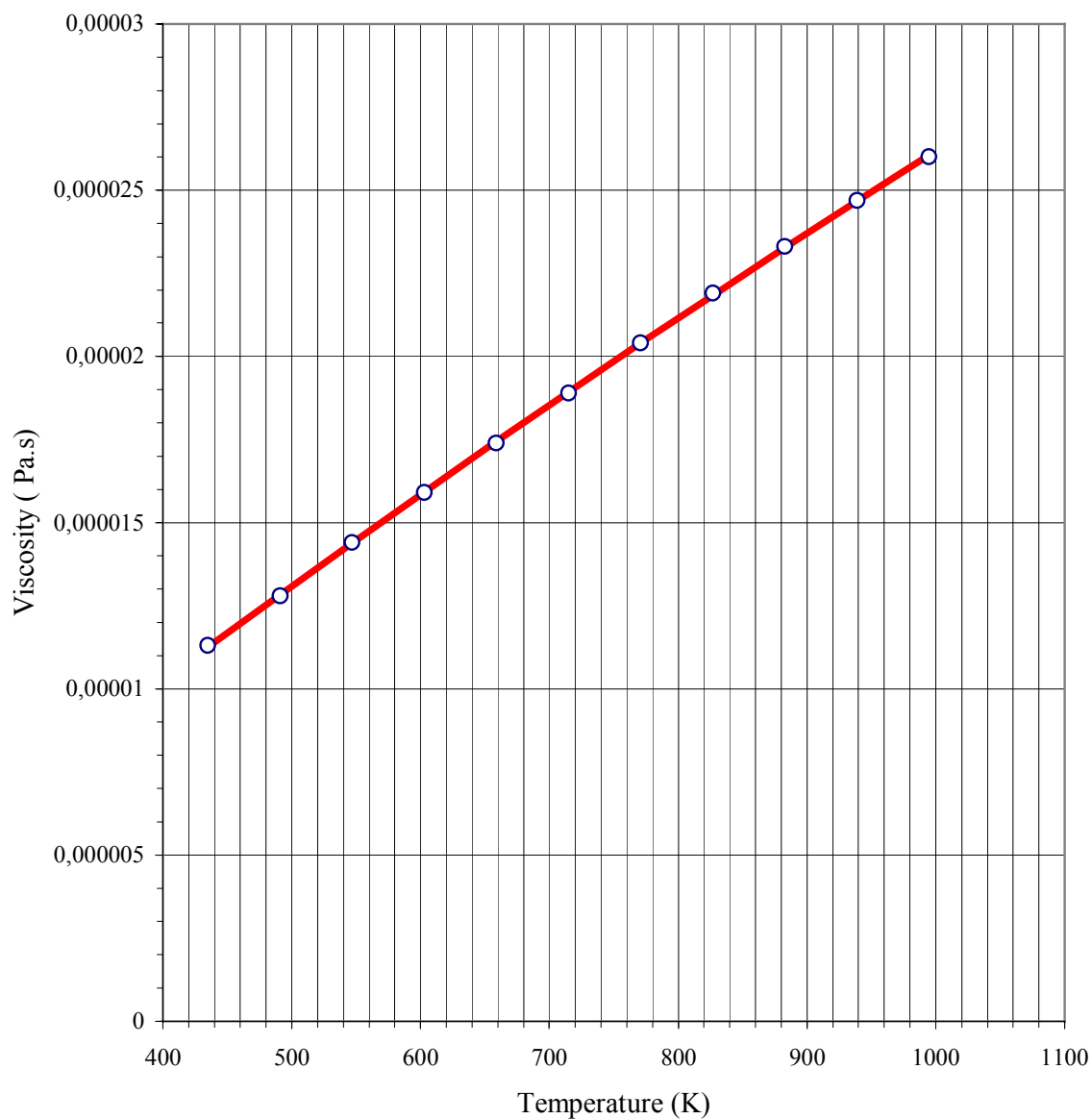
**Liquid**  
 $\mu = \exp(a + b/T + c \cdot \ln(T))$   
 $a = -69,008$   
 $b = 3950,4$   
 $c = 8,655$   
 (  $m$  in Pa.s ;  $T$  in K )



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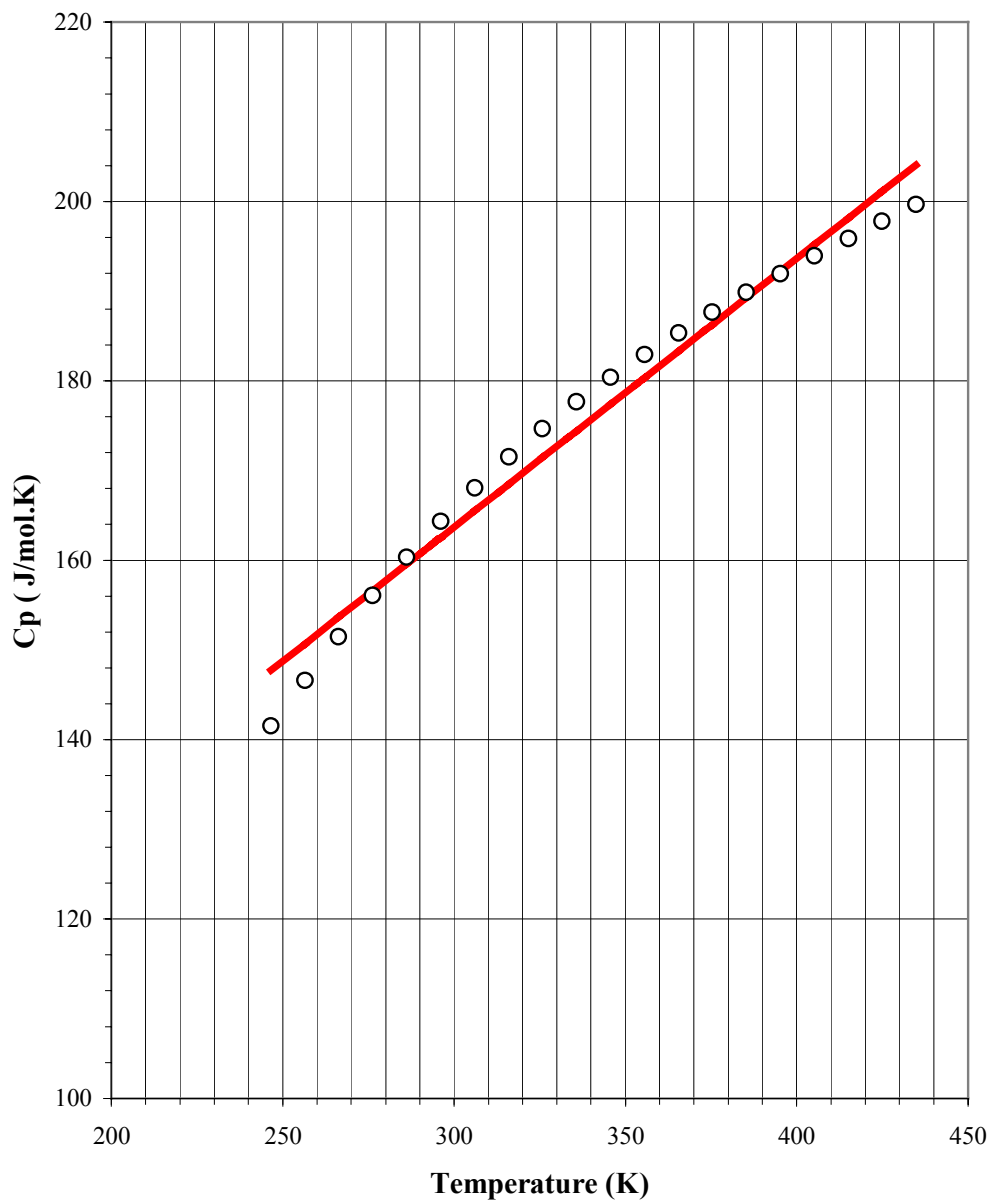
**Vapor**  
 $\mu = (a \cdot T^b) / (1 + c/T)$   
 $a = 1,7834e-7$   
 $b = 0,7524$   
 $c = 231,09$   
 (  $\mu$  in Pa.s ; T in K)



○ Predicted data from Chapman, S., Cowling, T.G., "The Mathematical Theory of Non-uniform gases," Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, England (1952) and Stiel, L.T., Thodos, G., "Force Constants for Polar Substances : their prediction from critical Prope

## 2.5 HEAT CAPACITY AT CONSTANT PRESSURE:

**Liquid**  
 $cp = a + b.T$   
 $a = 73,9$   
 $b = 0,2994$   
 ( $cp$  in  $J/mol.K$  ;  $T$  in  $K$ )

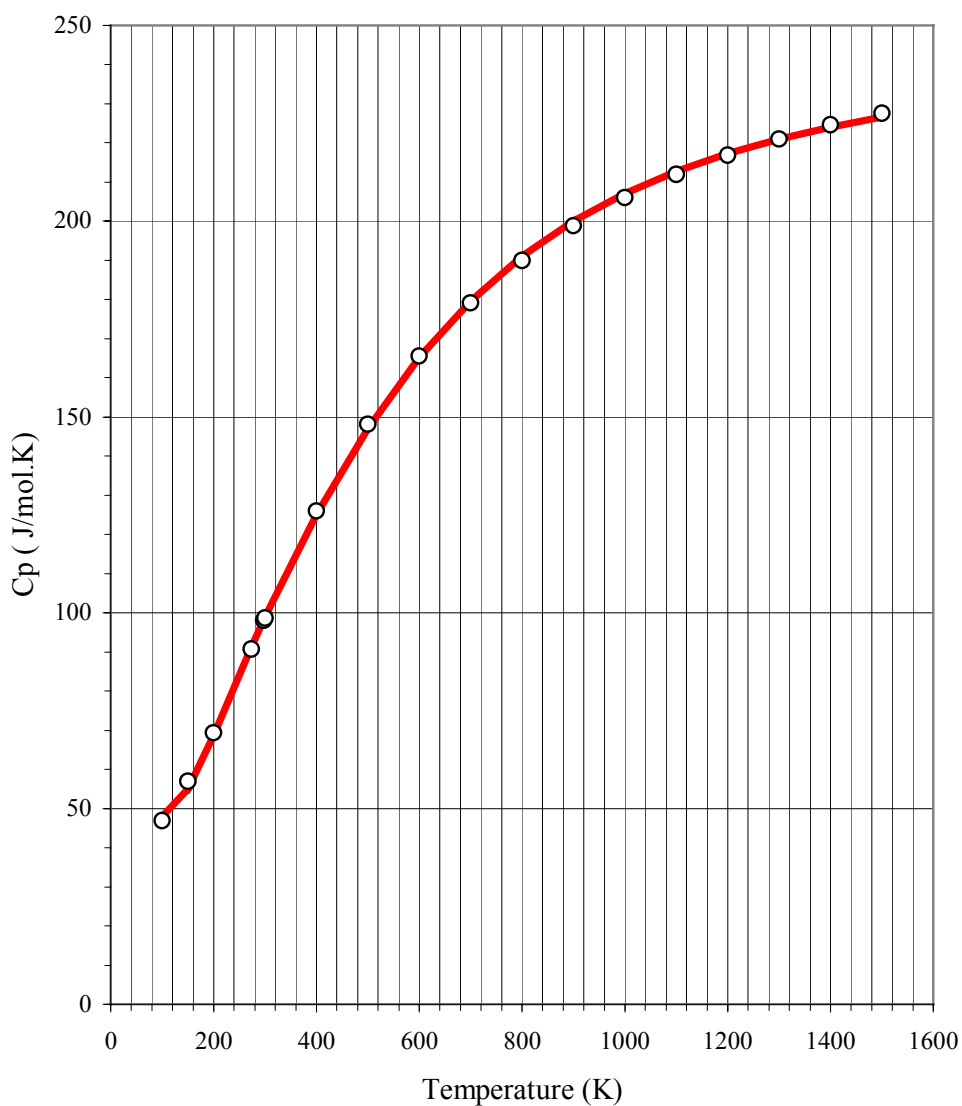


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**Vapor**

$$c_p = a + b \cdot \left( \frac{c}{T} \right) / \sinh\left( \frac{c}{T} \right) + d \cdot \left( \frac{e}{T} \right) / \cosh\left( \frac{e}{T} \right)$$

**a** = 47,3  
**b** = 198,3  
**c** = 1040,6  
**d** = 109  
**e** = 472,6  
 (cp in J/mol.K ; T in K)



○ Predicted data from Kudchadker, S.A. Kudchadker, A.P., "Thermodynamic Properties of Oxygen Compounds. III. Benzaldehyde and Furfural (2-Furaldehyde)," *Thermochim. Acta* 12,432 (1975)

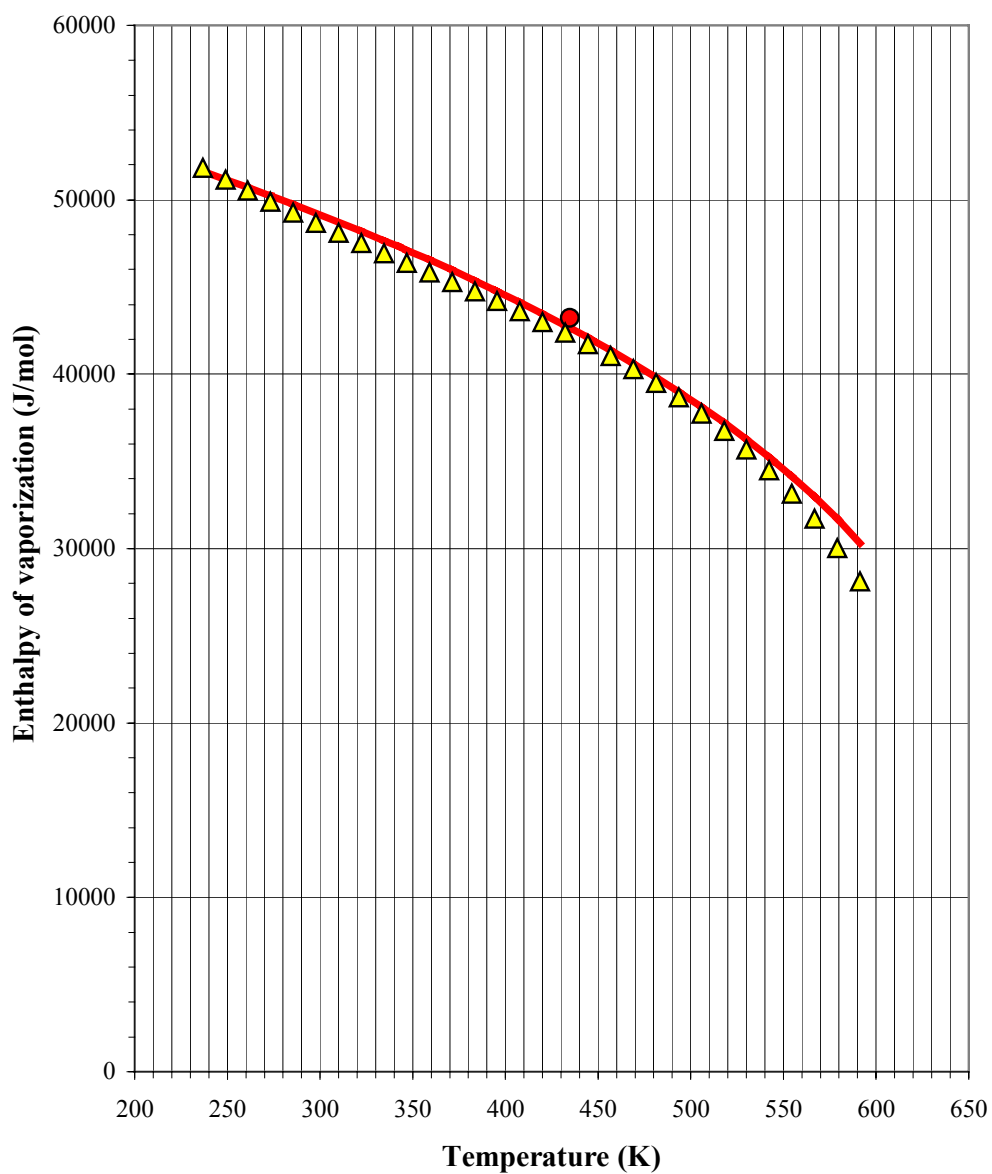
## 2.6 ENTHALPY OF VAPORIZATION:

$$\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = a \cdot (1 - T_r)^b$$

$$a = 59610$$

$$b = 0,3126$$

( $\Delta H_{\text{vap}}$  in J/mol ;  $T$  in K)

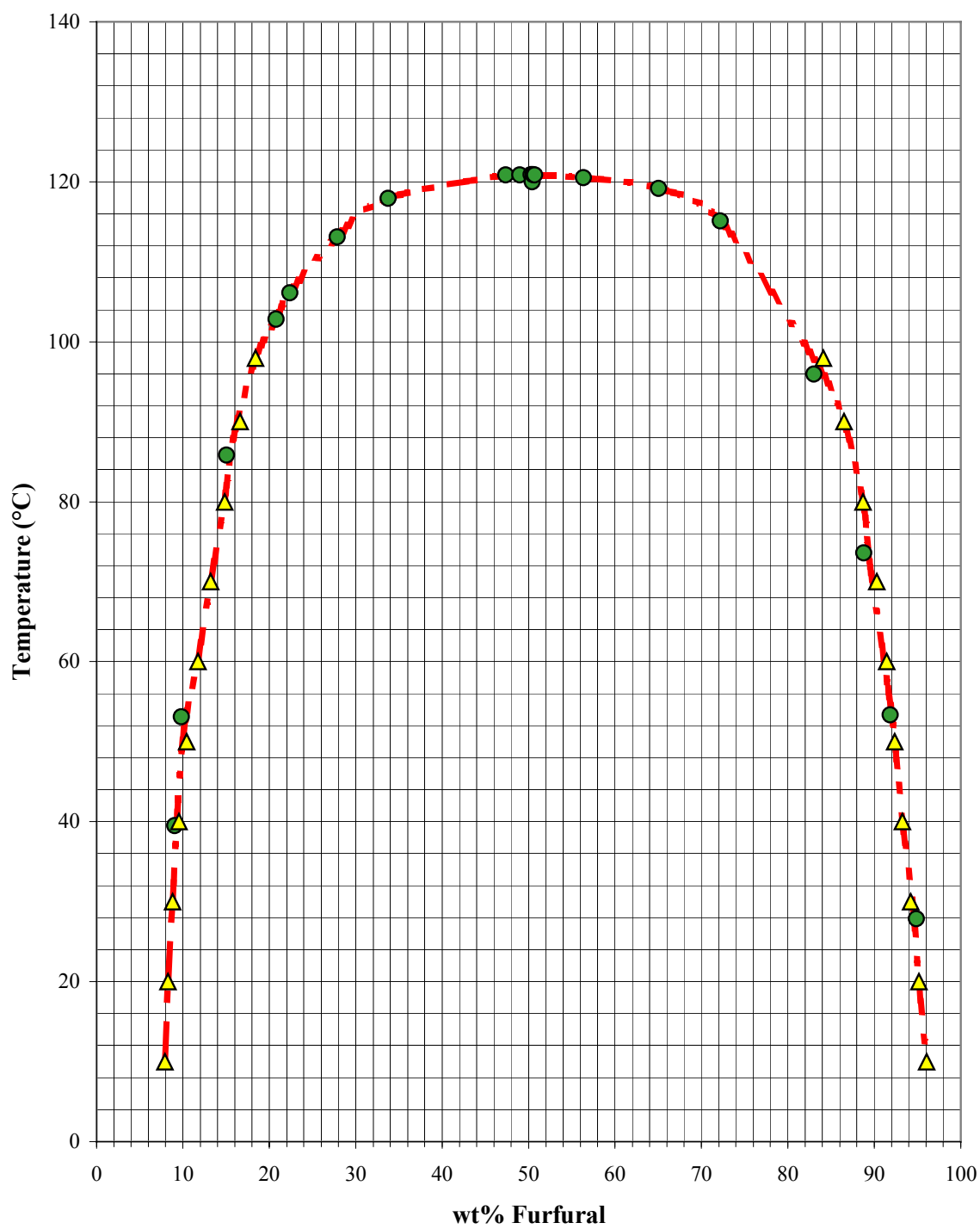


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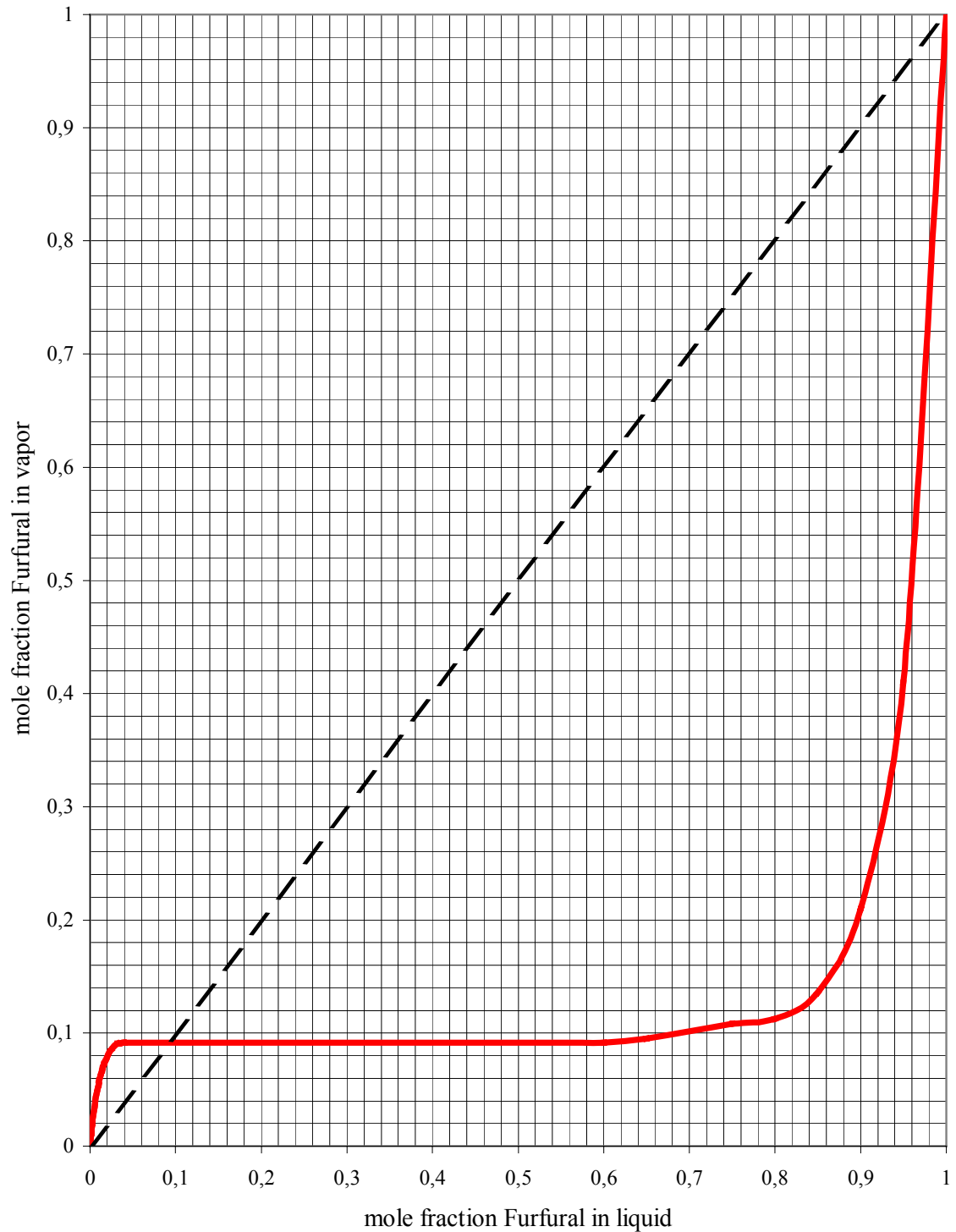
## 2.7 FURFURAL-WATER:

Furfural-Water  
Solution-Temperature Diagram



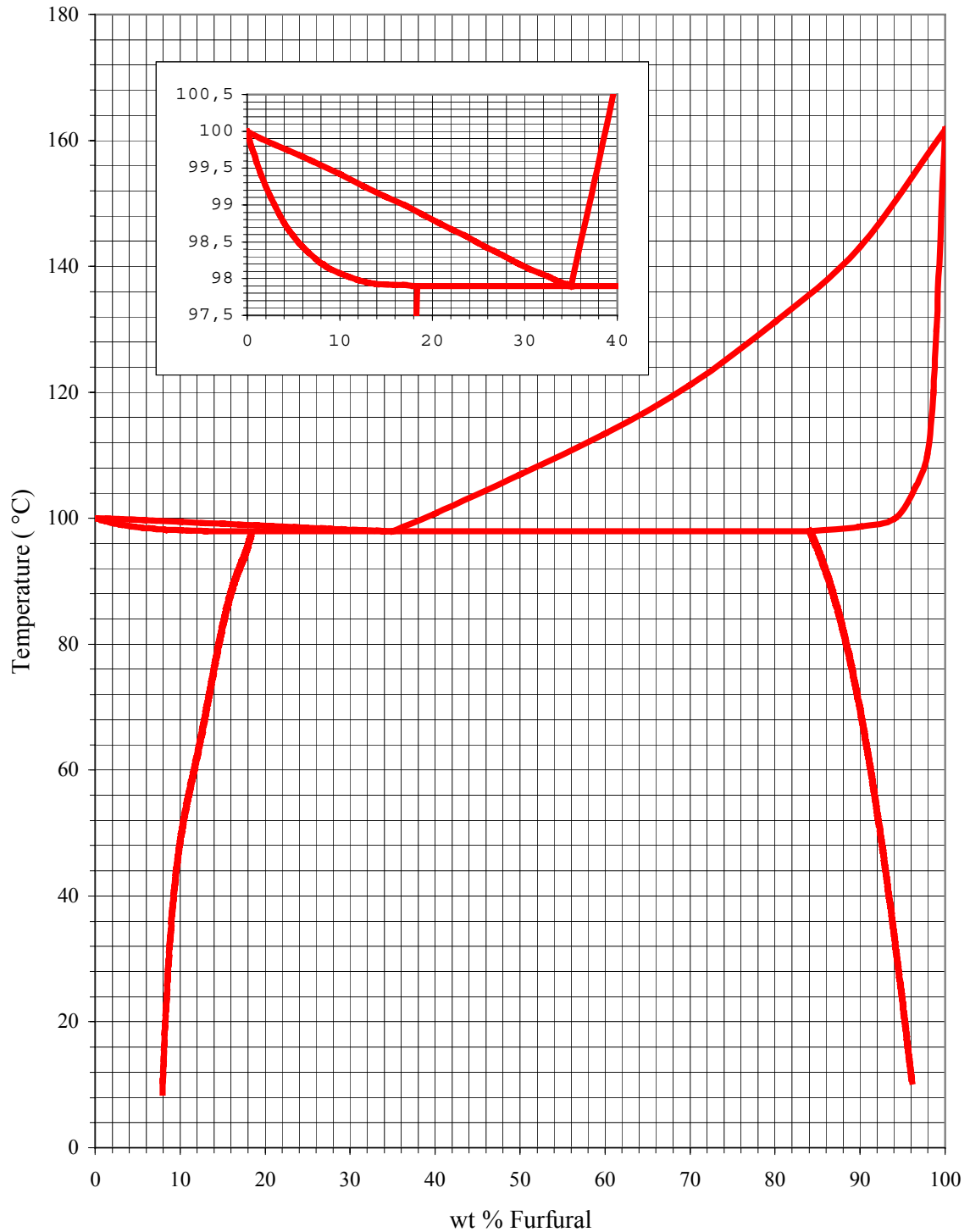
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**Furfural-Water  
Vapor-liquid composition**



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### Furfural-Water Vapor-liquid equilibrium



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