

Benzene and naphthalene

Property data for the aromatics benzene and naphthalene are summarized in a table and graphs for quick, easy access.

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□ Aromatic compounds are important as feedstocks in the chemical process industries for the production of a variety of industrial chemicals. Benzene is used primarily for the production of the following major chemicals: styrene, phenol, cyclohexane, nitrobenzene, dodecylbenzene and maleic anhydride. Benzene is also a prevalent organic solvent. Naphthalene is principally a C_{10} stock in the production of phthalic anhydride, insecticides, dyes, plasticizers and solvents.

Critical Properties—Table 13—1 (T/13—1)

Experimental values for the critical constants have been determined for benzene [2,3,4,15,415,417,473,474,511,512,521] and for naphthalene [2,3,4,415,417,473,474,518]. The values reported are all within 1% deviation, except for the critical volume of benzene, 1.5%.

Heat of Vaporization—Fig. 13—1(F/13—1)

The Watson correlation (Eq. 1—1) was used to augment experimental data to cover the entire liquid range. Deviations of the least-squares data fitting and correlated values are less than 1% for benzene and naphthalene.

See Part 1 of this series, *Chem. Eng.*, June 10, 1974, for equations starting with a boldfaced numeral "1", Part 2 for those with "2", etc. Part 2 appeared July 3, Aug. 19; Part 4, Sept. 30; Part 5, Oct. 28; Part 6, Nov. 25; Part 7, Dec. 23, 1974; Part 8, Jan. 20, 1975; Part 9, Feb. 17; Part 10, Mar. 31; Part 11, May 12; and Part 12, July 21.

Vapor Pressure—F/13—2

Extensive data are available for the vapor pressure of benzene and naphthalene. The average deviation of reported values from the least-squares data fitting are 1.2% for benzene and 2.0% for naphthalene.

Heat Capacity—F/13—3, F/13—4

Vapor heat-capacity data at constant atmospheric pressure for the ideal gas are available for both benzene and naphthalene. Results among investigators agree well, with average deviations being 2%, or less, in most cases.

Liquid heat-capacity data have been extended by means of the density extrapolation relation (Eq. 1—3, $n = 2$). Average deviations of extrapolated values and data are less than 1% for benzene and naphthalene.

Density—F/13—5

Liquid densities for benzene are available over the entire liquid range, with deviations of less than 1% among reported values. For naphthalene, liquid densities were extended by a modified form of the Rackett correlation [489]:

$$\rho = \rho_1 Z_c^{[(1-T_r)^{2/7} - (1-T_r)^{2/7}]} \quad (13-1)$$

In Eq. (13—1), ρ = density at temperature T ; ρ_1 =
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How To Use the Graphs

Each graph is outfitted with a key that lists references and explains just what part of the curve is determined experimentally, and what part is estimated from theoretical correlations.

The shaded squares denote the following:

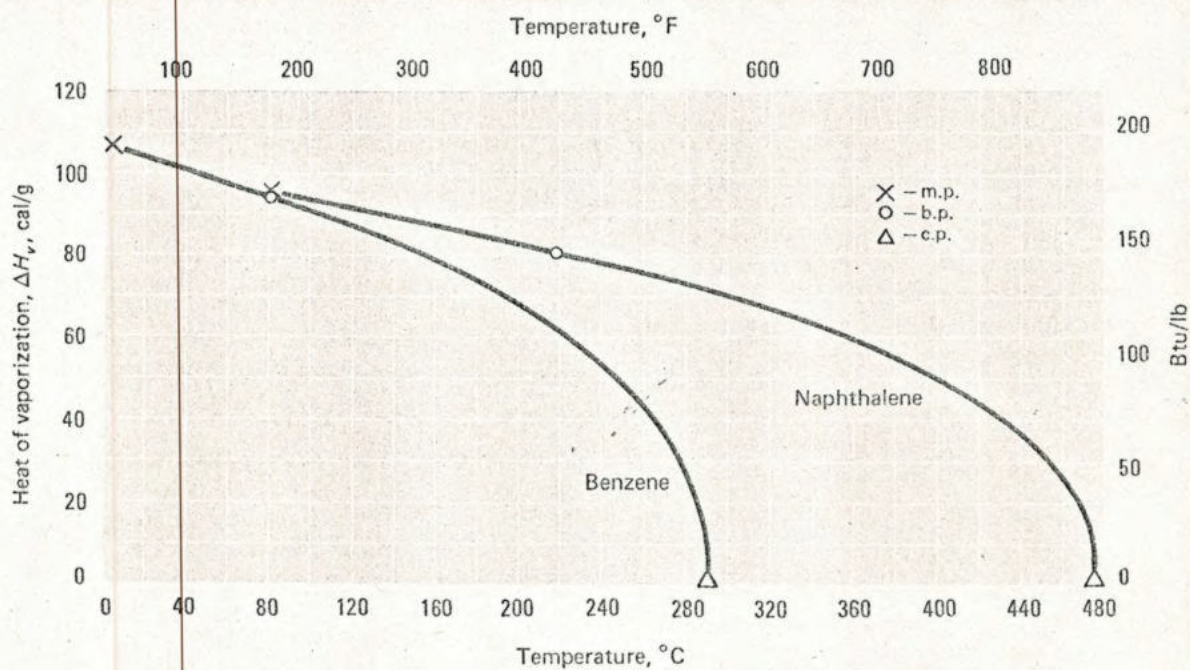
- Data in this region are experimentally known.
- Experimental and correlated data used.
- All data in this region are correlated.

The "regions" referred to are the temperature ranges between the melting, boiling and critical points (m.p., b.p. and c.p., respectively), or in some cases, the specific temperatures noted in the key.

Physical properties of the cyclo-aromatics



Identification	Benzene C ₆ H ₆	Naphthalene C ₁₀ H ₈
State (std. conditions)	Liquid	Solid
Molecular weight, <i>M</i>	78.11	128.17
Boiling point, <i>T_b</i> , °C	80.10	218.00
Melting point, <i>T_m</i> , °C	5.53	80.55
Critical temp., <i>T_c</i> , °C	288.94	475.02
Critical pressure, <i>P_c</i> , atm	48.30	39.59
Critical volume, <i>V_c</i> , cm ³ /g-mol	256.98	410.14
Critical compressibility factor, <i>Z_c</i>	0.269	0.264



Heat of vaporization



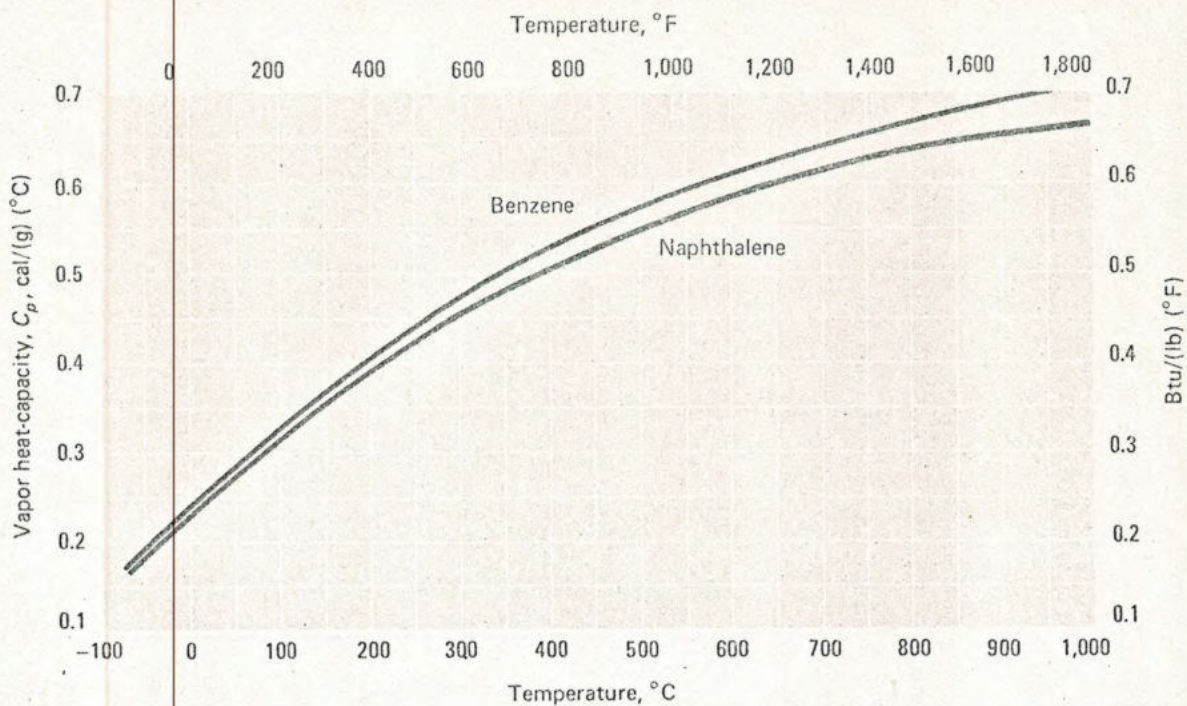
Fig. 13-1	Temperature Range		References
	m.p. - b.p.	b.p. - c.p.	
Benzene	■	■	3, 4, 15, 309, 415, 417, 419
Naphthalene	■	■	3, 6, 419

Vapor pressure



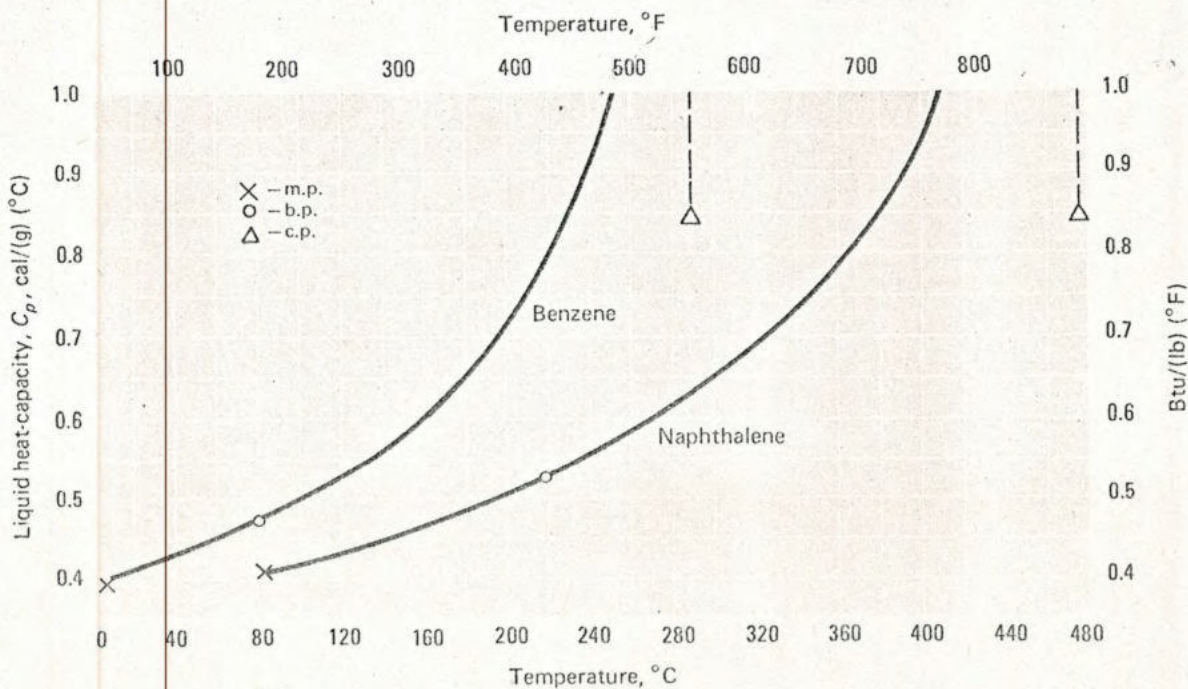
Fig. 13-2	Temperature Range		References
	m.p. - b.p.	b.p. - c.p.	
Benzene	■	■	3, 4, 415, 417, 419, 473
Naphthalene	■	■	3, 4, 6, 415, 419, 473, 504, 509

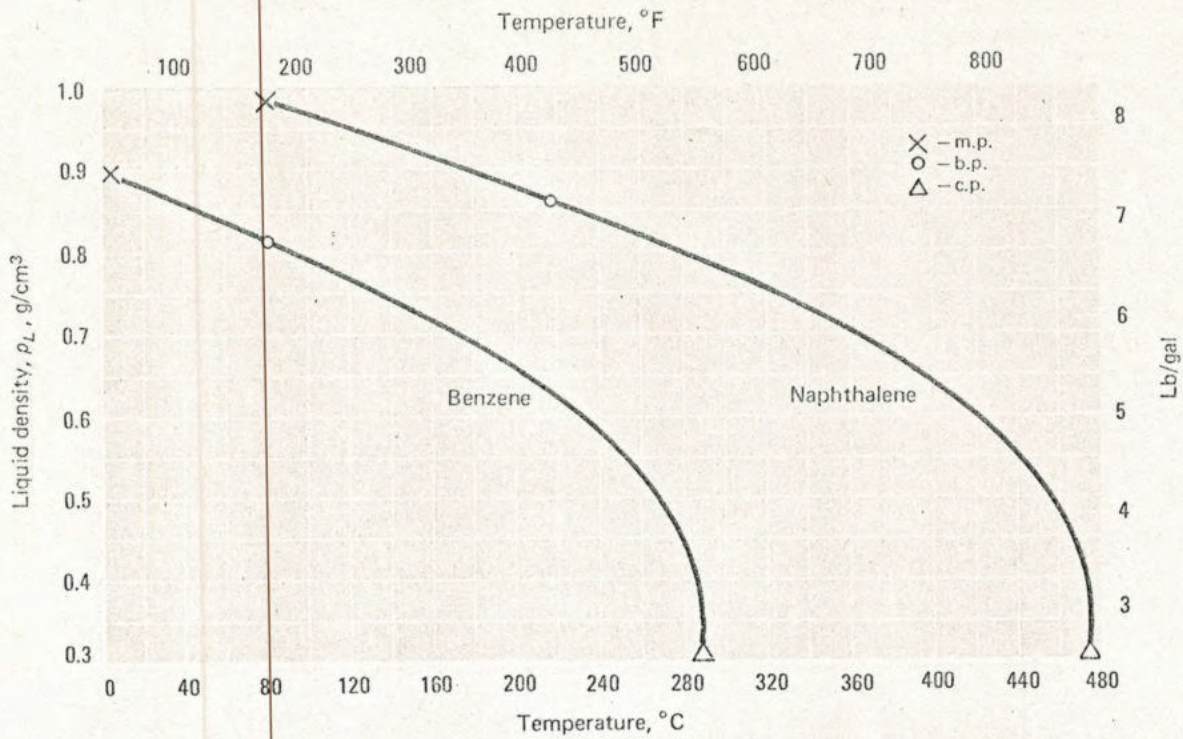




Vapor heat capacity			References
Fig. 13-3	Temperature Range, C		
	0-500	500-1,000	
Benzene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3, 15, 18, 19, 417, 484, 507, 512
Naphthalene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3, 6, 15, 415

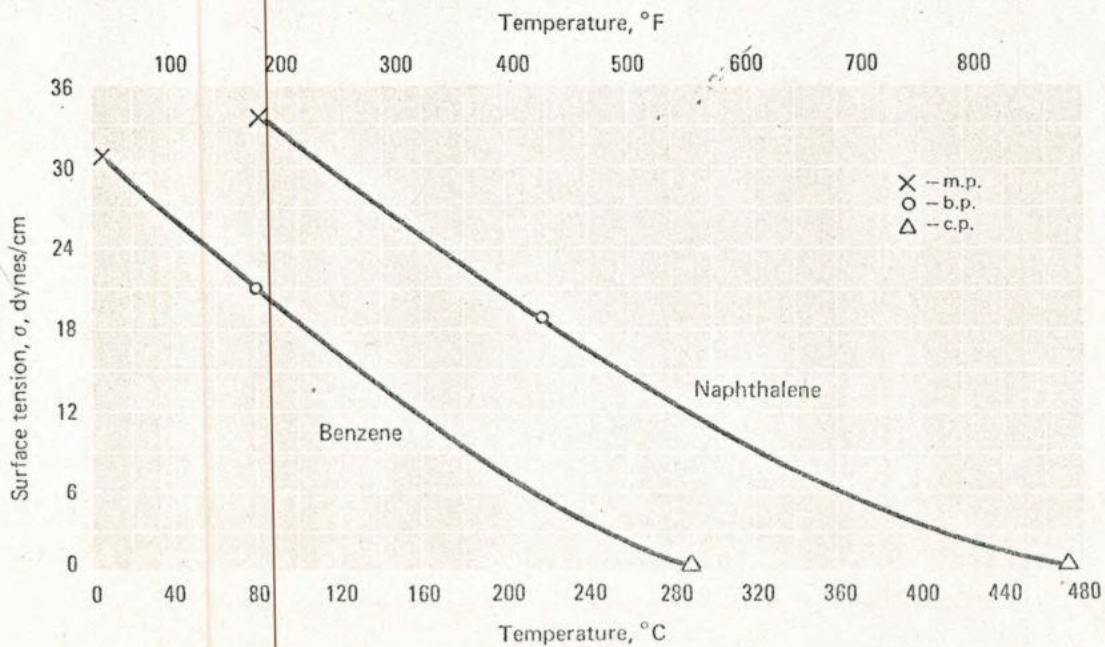
Liquid heat capacity			References
Fig. 13-4	Temperature Range		
	m.p.-b.p.	b.p.-c.p.	
Benzene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3, 19, 415, 481, 503
Naphthalene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	415, 501, 510

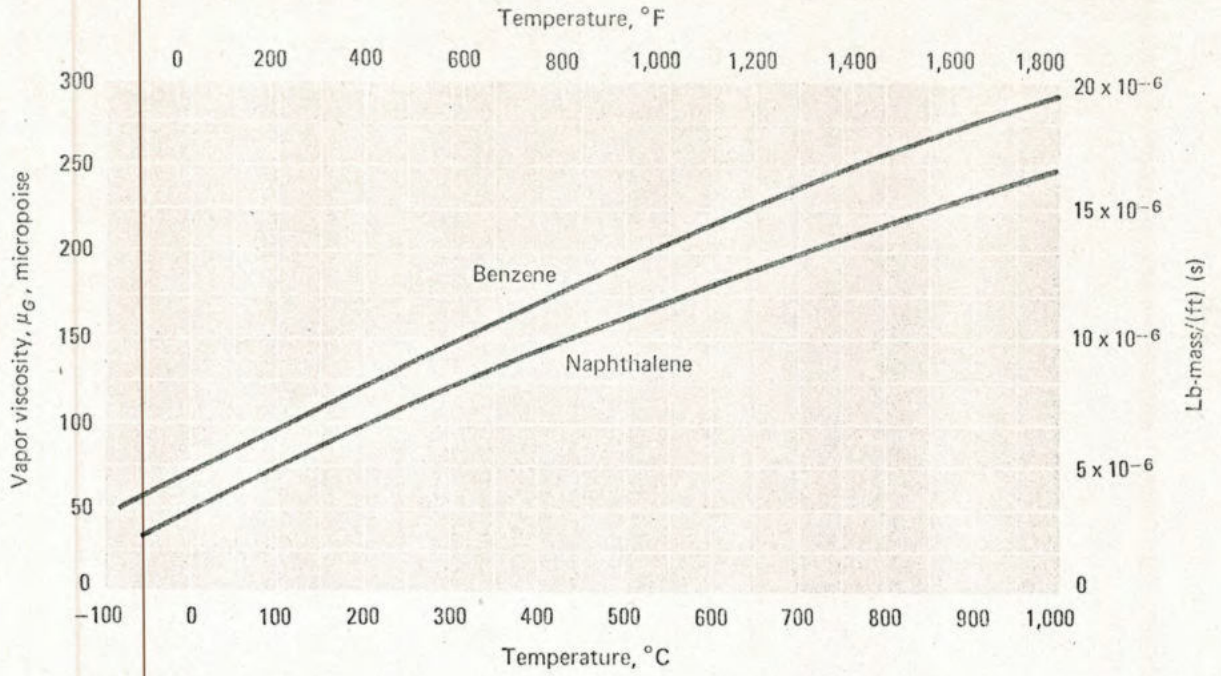




Liquid density			References
Fig. 13-5	Temperature Range		
	m.p.-b.p.	b.p.-c.p.	
Benzene	■	■	2, 3, 4, 415, 417, 473, 474, 481, 484, 497
Naphthalene	■	■	4, 417, 473, 474

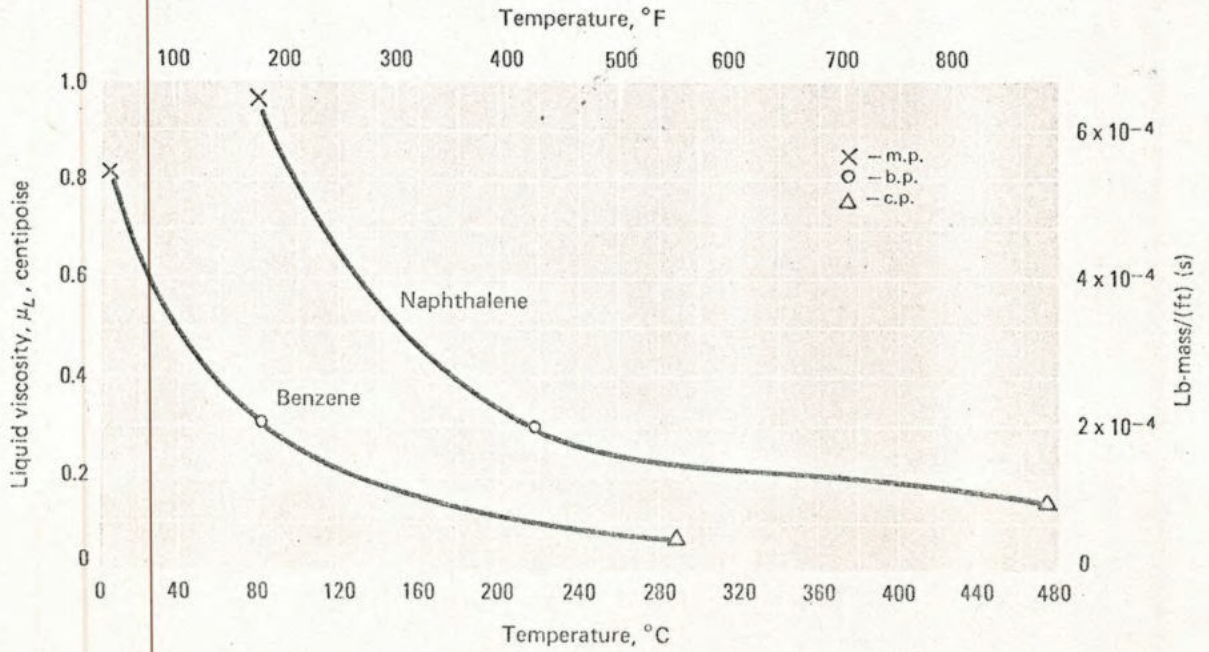
Surface tension			References
Fig. 13-6	Temperature Range		
	m.p.-b.p.	b.p.-c.p.	
Benzene	■	■	3, 4, 79, 415, 417, 495
Naphthalene	■	□	3, 6, 79

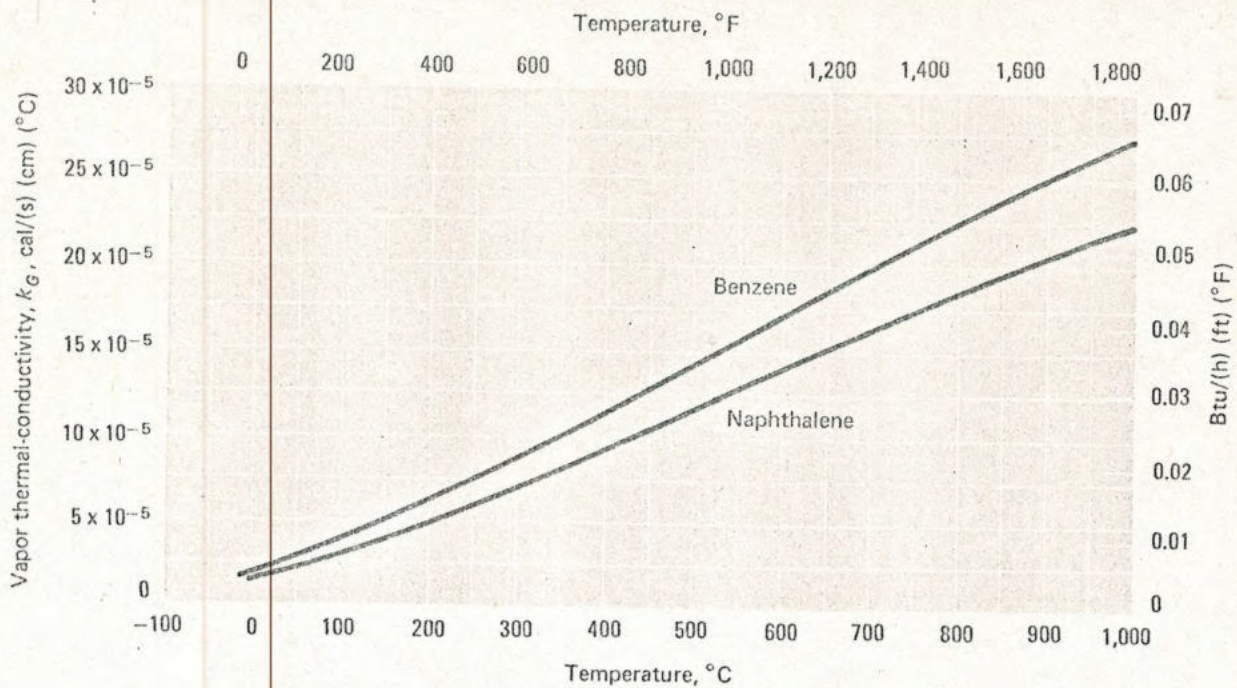




Vapor viscosity			References
Fig. 13-7	Temperature Range, °C		
	0-500	500-1,000	
Benzene	☒	☒	14, 18, 242, 442, 467, 484, 500
Naphthalene	☐	☐	14, 442

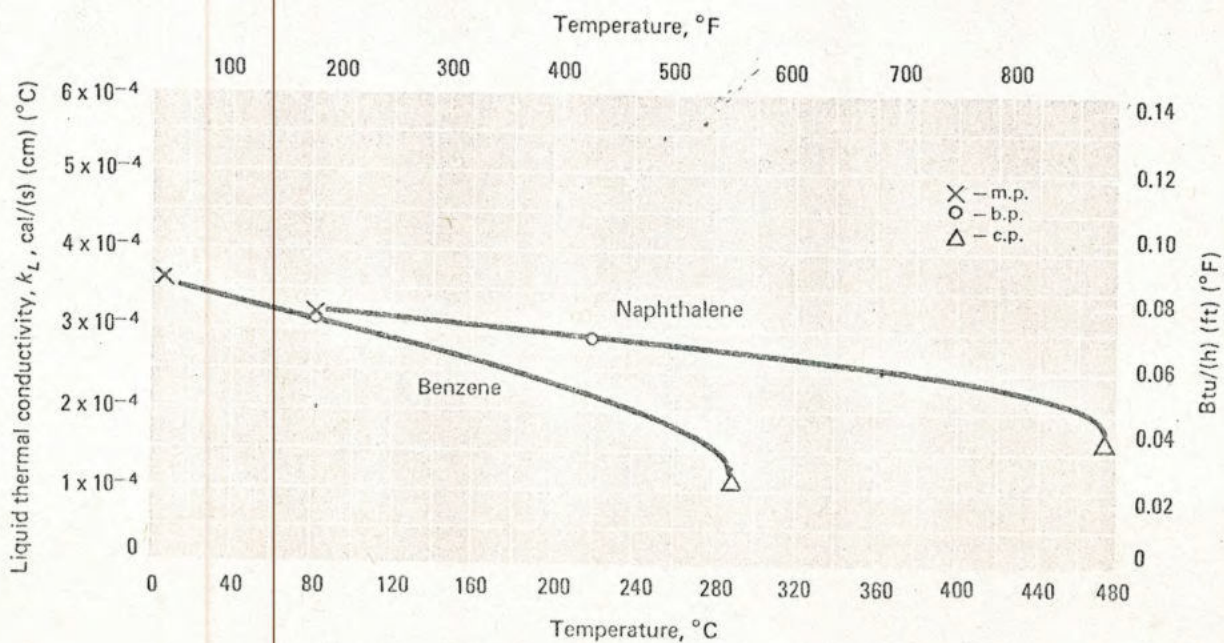
Liquid viscosity			References
Fig. 13-8	Temperature Range		
	m.p.-b.p.	b.p.-c.p.	
Benzene	☒	☒	3, 4, 415, 417, 434, 506
Naphthalene	☒	☒	3, 6, 484, 505, 506, 511

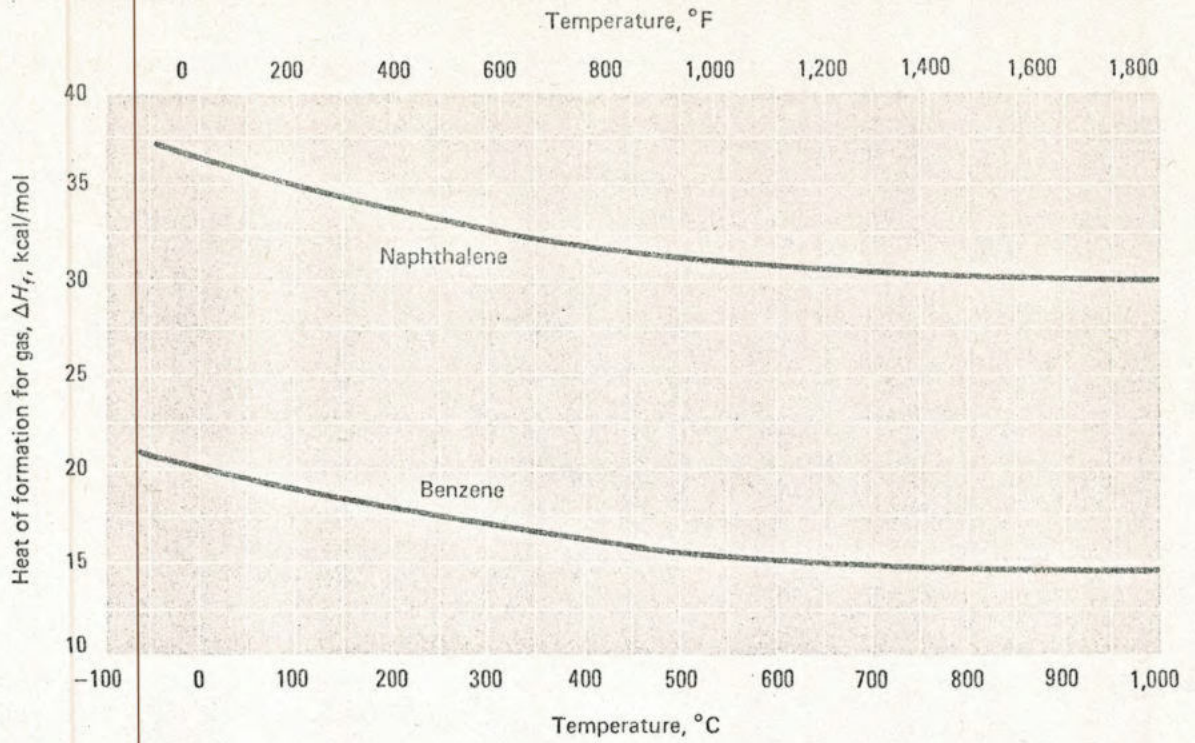




Vapor thermal conductivity			References
Fig. 13-9	Temperature Range, °C		
	0-500	500-1,000	
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Naphthalene	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14, 443

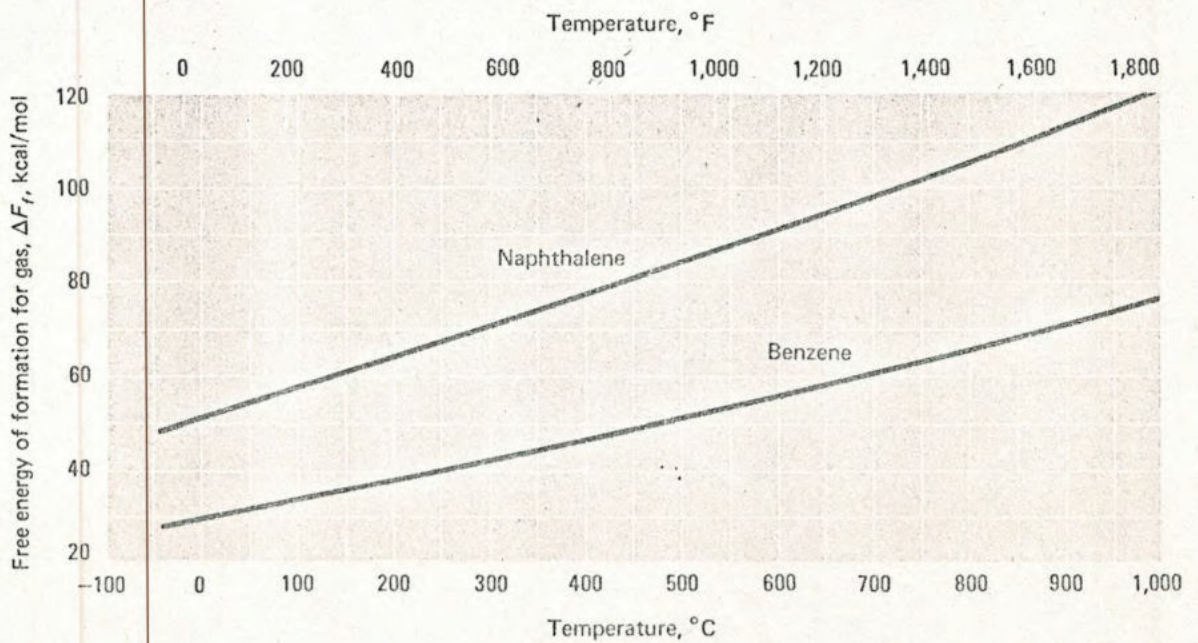
Liquid thermal conductivity			References
Fig. 13-10	Temperature Range		
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Benzene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	14, 19, 443, 481, 484, 492, 493, 494, 514
Naphthalene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	443, 496





Heat of formation for gas			References
Fig. 13-11	Temperature Range, °C		
	0-500	500-1,000	
Benzene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3,417, 507
Naphthalene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4,15,501, 502

Free energy of formation for gas			References
Fig. 13-12	Temperature Range, °C		
	0-500	500-1,000	
Benzene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	417, 507
Naphthalene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4,15, 502



density at reference temperature T_1 ; Z_c = critical compressibility factor; $T_{r1} = T_1/T_c$; and $T_r = T/T_c$.

Deviations between correlated and experimental values for liquid densities of naphthalene were less than 1%, except at the critical temperature, where there was a maximum deviation of 3%.

Surface Tension—F/13—6

To supplement experimental data, the Othmer linear relationship (Eq. 1—4) was used to determine surface tension over the entire liquid range. Deviations of correlated values and least-squares data fitting were less than 1% for both benzene and naphthalene.

Viscosity—F/13—7, F/13—8

Vapor-viscosity data at atmospheric pressure were extended with the modified Flynn and Thodos correlation (Eq. 10—1) for hydrocarbon gases. The values obtained from the correlation and experimental data agree well, with an average deviation of 1.7%.

The Guzman-Andrade relation (Eq. 1—6) was used to cover the full liquid-phase. Deviations between data and relation values average about 2.5% for both benzene and naphthalene.

Thermal Conductivity—F/13—9, F/13—10

Experimental data for gas-phase thermal conductivity at low pressure were extended with the modified Mistic and Thodos correlation for hydrocarbon gases (Eq. 10—2). Deviations of correlated values and experimental data were less than 3% for benzene.

Liquid thermal-conductivity data were estimated with the modified Stiel and Thodos relation (Eq. 10—3). Results obtained with the relation agree well with the available data, with deviations less than 1% for benzene and naphthalene.

Heat and Free Energy of Formation—F/13—11, 13—12

Values obtained from API Project 44 [417] were selected for the values of the heat and free energy of formation of the ideal gases. Available data for benzene and naphthalene agree well with selected values.

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