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Solubility behavior of alkaline earth and alkali aluminosilicate components in aqueous fluids in the Earth's upper mantle

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Abstract—The solubility of aluminosilicate components in aqueous fluids in the 1200 to 1400°C and 0.8 to 2.0 GPa temperature- and pressure-range, respectively, has been determined for three compositions on the join CaSi₄O₉-Ca(Ca_{0.5}Al)₄O₉ with 0, 3, and 6 mol % Al₂O₃. The aluminosilicate solubility, X_{sil}, ranges from 0.5 to 4.2 mol %. Its temperature dependence is linear and ranges between 0.7 and 4.2 ·10⁻³ mol %/°C depending on pressure. The pressure-dependence of X_{sil} is also positive but nonlinear. The solubility decreases with increasing Al₂O₃ content.

The solubility was fitted to the expression:

 $X_{\rm sil}({\rm mol}\ \%) = -2.6 \pm 0.7 - 0.20 \pm 0.02 \cdot X_{\rm Al_{2}O_{3}}({\rm mol}\ \%) + 0.002 \pm 0.001 \cdot T(^{\circ}{\rm C})$

 $+ 0.86 \pm 0.04 \cdot P^2$ (GPa) $R^2 = 0.96$

This relationship is qualitatively similar to that of equivalent compositions in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (2Na⁺ is exchanged for 1Ca²⁺). However, in the latter system, the solubility is 2 to 3 times greater. The magnitude of the pressure, temperature, and composition effects in the latter system is also greater. The partial molar volume of H₂O in the Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids, $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{Ihuid}$, ranges between ~17 and ~27 cm³/mol depending on pressure, temperature, and compositions so that,

$$\bar{V}_{Ho0}^{fluid} = 20.1 \pm 0.7 - 0.0019 \pm 0.015 X_{AbO3} + 7.0 \pm 0.5 \cdot 10^{-4} T(^{\circ}C) - 6.97 \pm 0.08P, \quad R^2 = 0.995$$

where T is in K, P in GPa, and $X_{Al_2O_3}$ in mol %. The molar volume of silicate-saturated aqueous fluid is nearly identical to $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ because H₂O is the dominant component.

The isochors of Ca-aluminosilicate-saturated aqueous fluids differ from those of pure H₂O. The pressure difference at given temperature ranges between 5 and 10% in the 0.8 to 2.0 GPa and 1000 to 1400°C pressure and temperature-range. For comparison, in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system this difference is between 5 and 30% depending primarily on fluid density and pressure. This difference between the Na- and Casystem reflects the different solubility of Ca- and Na-silicate in aqueous fluids. *Copyright* © 2002 Elsevier Science Ltd

1. INTRODUCTION

Aqueous fluids are important materials transport agents in the Earth's crust and upper mantle. This is particularly so near convergent plate boundaries where there is evidence for elevated H₂O contents. This evidence includes glass in volcanic rocks, inclusions in phenocrysts in island arc volcanics, and results from laboratory experiments. All these lines of evidence commonly indicate H₂O contents on the order of 5 wt.% of island arc magmas at the time of eruption and perhaps 1 to 3 wt.% in the magma in its upper mantle source region (Sakuyama, 1979; Skirius et al., 1990; Schiano et al., 1995; Gerlach et al., 1996; Rutherford and Devine, 1996; Sobolev and Chaussidon, 1996). Results of experimental partial melting studies are also consistent with high H₂O activity during magma formation in the upper mantle beneath island arcs (Eggler, 1972; Kushiro, 1972, 1990; Merzbacher and Eggler, 1984; Gaetani et al., 1993).

The source of this H_2O most likely is subducted oceanic lithosphere from which H_2O is released by dehydration of hydrous minerals. This H_2O may equilibrate with the residual

slab material and carry chemical signatures of the descending slab into the overlying mantle wedge. Signatures of slab components in volcanic rocks in island arcs have been detected in their trace element and isotope geochemistry (Bebout et al., 1993; Shibata and Nakamura, 1997; Heath et al., 1998). Slab signatures can also be observed in the trace element geochemistry of mantle-derived xenoliths in island arcs (Maury et al., 1992; Ionov and Hofmann, 1995). Evidence for major element metasomatism that involves silica, alkali, and alkaline earth enrichments in the peridotite wedge above subducting slabs is available in the form orthopyroxene overgrowth on olivine, and by the presence of pargasite and occasionally phlogopite in ultramafic xenoliths in volcanic rocks from arc settings (Riter and Smith, 1996; Aoki, 1987; Swanson et al., 1987).

To describe the interaction processes between melts, minerals, and aqueous fluids in the pressure and temperature regime of the upper mantle, experimental characterization of the solubility behavior of silicate components in aqueous fluids as a function of pressure, temperature, and bulk chemical composition is needed. Recent experimental data from the system MgO-SiO₂-H₂O indicate that at 1 to 2 GPa pressure several mol% silica can be dissolved in aqueous fluid (Zhang and Frantz, 2000). This solubility increases to tens of mol% at higher

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Table 1. Electron microprobe analyses of the starting materials.^a

	CS4	CS4A3	CS4A6	
SiO ₂	80.12	76.69	75.49	
$Al_2 \tilde{O}_3$	0.28	4.68	9.29	
CaO	19.60	18.63	15.25	

^aSee text for discussion of sample preparation and analyses.

pressure (Fujii et al., 1996; Stalder et al., 2001). In peralkaline portions of the systems $K_2O-Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O$ and $Na_2O-Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O$ in 0.8 to 2.0 GPa pressure- and 700 to 1300°C temperature-range alkali aluminosilicate solubility in aqueous fluids is 1 to 10 mol% depending on pressure, temperature, and bulk composition (Mysen and Acton, 1999; Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). In meta-aluminous systems such as $NaAlSi_3O_8-H_2O$ and $NaAlSiO_4-H_2O$ the solubility in aqueous fluids may be even higher, perhaps to the point of complete miscibility between aqueous fluid and hydrous silicate melt (Shen and Keppler, 1995; Bureau and Keppler, 1999; Stalder et al., 2000).

The available experimental data on alkali aluminosilicate solubility in aqueous fluids cannot, however, be used directly to describe more complex natural systems without knowledge of the role of other metals such as alkaline earths. It is the purpose of this report, therefore, to address a broader compositional range by determination of the solubility behavior of Ca-aluminosilicate components in the system CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O and to compare this behavior with solubility data available for compositions in the systems $K_2O-Al_2O_3$ -SiO₂-H₂O and Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O.

2. EXPERIMENTAL METHODS

Starting compositions were along the join $CaSi_4O_9 - Ca(Ca_{0.5}Al)_4O_9$. Three compositions, denoted CS4 (0 mol % Al₂O₃), CS4A3 (3 mol % Al₂O₃), and CS4A6 (6 mol % Al₂O₃), were used. These compositions were chosen so that on a molar basis, they have Al₂O₃ and SiO₂ concentrations similar to compositions KS4, KS4A3, KS4A6, NS4, NS4A3, and NS4A6 employed in the systems K₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O and Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O by Mysen and Acton (1999) and Mysen and Wheeler (2000). Instead of alkalis an equivalent proportion of Ca was used (1Ca = 2Na = 2K). In this manner we may compare directly the effect of metal cation type on the solubility.

Anhydrous starting materials were made from mixtures of spectroscopically pure CaCO₃, Al₂O₃, and SiO₂ ground under alcohol for ~1 h, decarbonated during slow heating (~1.5°C/min), heated at 1650°C at 0.1 MPa for 60 min, and then quenched. After this process, starting materials CS4 and CS4A3 consist of a mixture of a silica polymorph and glass, whereas CS4A6 was a glass. The starting materials were crushed to \geq 20 μ m grain size and stored at 110°C when not in use. To make these materials amenable to electron microprobe analyses to ascertain their composition, a portion of each starting composition was mixed with LiBO₂ with LiBO₂:silicate = 4:1, melted, and quenched to glass. Electron microprobe analyses, obtained with a JEOL model 8900 with 15 kV accelerating voltage and 10 nAmp beam current, recalculated to 100% silicate, are shown in Table 1.

High-pressure and high-temperature experiments were conducted in the solid-media, high-pressure apparatus (Boyd and England, 1960). The starting materials (0.3–4.0 mg) were loaded together with doubledistilled, deionized H₂O (10–35 μ L depending on desired H₂O content) into 3-mm O.D. Pt containers. Water was loaded with a microsyringe with 0.1 μ L precision. The exact amount of H₂O added was determined from the weight of H₂O. The weighing accuracy for both silicate starting material and H₂O is ±0.02 mg. The Pt containers were welded shut while submerged in liquid N₂ and subjected to experimental conditions in 19-mm-diameter furnace assemblies (Kushiro, 1976). Temperatures were measured with Pt-Pt90Rh10 thermocouples with no correction for pressure on their electromotoric force (emf). Although the exact effect of pressure on the emf depends on the details of the high-pressure furnace assemblies used, available data indicate that this effect is less than 10°C in the pressure-temperature range of the present experiments (Getting and Kennedy, 1970; Mao et al., 1971). The temperature uncertainty is, therefore, conservatively considered to be $\pm 10^{\circ}$ C. Pressure was calibrated against the melting point of NaCl and the calcite-aragonite transformation (Bohlen, 1984). The pressure uncertainty thus obtained is ± 1 GPa.

The silicate-saturated aqueous fluids could not be quenched to a homogeneous fluid with the ~100°C/s quenching rate in the present experimental configuration. Instead, the quenched fluid was a mixture of crystalline Ca-silicate and silicate-rich bubbles (Fig. 1A). Raman spectra of this quench material, obtained with a confocal Dilor XY microRaman spectrometer (Mysen and Frantz, 1993), testifies to the silica-rich and amorphous nature of the quenched material in the bubbles (Fig. 2). The Raman spectra of the crystallized quench material (Fig. 1A) are consistent with a meta-silicate, thus leading to the suggestion that the crystalline quench phase may be wollastonite (Fig. 2). Compositions containing both H₂O-saturated silicate melt and silicate-saturated fluid quench to a glass with numerous inclusions of bubbles (Fig. 1B).

The composition of residual aqueous fluid at ambient pressure and temperature after precipitation of hydrous amorphous silicate and crystalline Ca-silicate during quenching does not, therefore, represent the composition of the fluid during an experiment. Chemical analysis of quenched fluids could not be used to determine the silicate solubility in these fluids and high pressure and temperature. Instead, phase equilibrium measurements that rely on optical examination (using a petrographic microscope at \sim 500× magnification) of the run products was employed to determine whether a specific composition contained fluid only or melt + fluid, (e.g., Figs. 1 and 3). The boundary between the fields of fluid only and fluid + melt defines the silicate solubility in aqueous fluid (Figs. 3A-C). The uncertainty in this silicate solubility, equal to the half-width of the experimental brackets, typically is ± 0.2 to 0.6 wt.%. Experiments were conducted at 0.8, 1.3, 1.65, and 2.0 GPa at 1200°, 1300°, and 1400°C to determine the solubility as a function of silicate composition, pressure, and temperature.

3. RESULTS

The Ca-silicate solubility in aqueous fluids as a function of pressure, temperature, and Al_2O_3 is shown in Figs. 4–6 with a summary least-squares fits of temperature, pressure, and composition relations to solubility in Table 2. In this report, the term "silicate" denotes bulk solubility of silicate in aqueous fluids whether or not the system contains aluminum. Also shown for comparison in Figures 4–6 (open symbols in inserts) are data for the equivalent Na-aluminosilicate compositions (from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000).

Throughout this report solubilities are given in terms of composition of the starting materials. Possible incongruent solubility behavior of silicate components in aqueous fluid noted, for example, in the system Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O (Stalder et al., 2000; Mysen and Armstrong, 2002), would imply that the stoichiometry of dissolved silicate components in the fluids is not the same as that of the starting compositions. Whether or not this is the case in the present CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system is not known.

The Ca-silicate solubility is a positive and nonlinear function of pressure (Fig. 4; Table 2). Positive pressure-dependence of silicate solubility in aqueous fluids is in qualitative accord with results for other compositions such as SiO_2 (Manning, 1994), NaAlSi₃O₈ (Davis, 1972; Stalder et al., 1998), KAlSi₃O₈ (Morey and Hesselgesser, 1951), and MgO-SiO₂ (Fujii et al., 1996; Stalder et al., 2001).



Fig. 1. Photomicrographs of typical experimental charges along the melt + fluid/fluid boundary. Both charges are from composition CS4A3. (A) Experimental charges from within the fluid-only stability field at 1.65 GPa and 1400°C and with 4.5 wt.% CS4A3 and 95.5 wt.% H₂O in starting material. (B) Within the fluid + melt stability field at 1.3 GPa and 1200°C and with 1.5 wt.% CS4A3 and 98.5 wt.% H₂O.

The Ca-silicate solubility is a linear and positive function of temperature (Fig. 5; Table 2). The temperature-dependence, $(\partial X_{\rm sil}/\partial T)_{\rm P}$, increases with increasing pressure (which also results in increasing solubility). This correlation between total aluminosilicate solubility and the magnitude of its temperature-dependence extends to the Na-aluminosilicate systems. (Fig. 5; see also Mysen and Wheeler, 2000).

Finally, the solubility of Ca-silicate decreases in a nonlinear manner with increasing Al_2O_3 of the system (Fig. 6; Table 2).



Fig. 2. Unpolarized Raman spectra of experimental charges compared with Raman spectra of wollastonite and pseudowollastonite. "Quenched silicate material"—Raman spectrum of quenched silicate material inside quench bubble from composition CS4 at 2.0 GPa and 1300°C with 5.4 wt.% CS4 and 93.6 wt.% H₂O in starting material. "Quenched silicate xtal"—Raman spectrum of quench silicate crystals from composition CS4 at 2.0 GPa and 1300°C with 5.4 wt.% CS4 and 93.6 wt.% H₂O in starting material. Raman spectra of crystalline wollastonite and pseudowollastonite (Richet et al., 1998) are shown for comparison of spectrum of "quenched silicate xtal".

A more pronounced, but also nonlinear and negative correlation between silicate solubility and Al_2O_3 abundance was observed in the equivalent Na- and K-aluminosilicate systems (Fig. 6; see also Mysen and Wheeler, 2000; Mysen and Acton, 1999). As a result, the difference in silicate solubility between the two systems diminishes as they become more aluminous (Table 3).

From stepwise regression of all the data in the Ca-aluminosilicate system in the 0.8 to 2.0 GPa pressure- and 1200 to 1400°C temperature-range, the solubility can be expressed as:



Fig. 3. Summary of experimental results. Phase boundaries obtained via third-order polynomial fit through the midpoints of the "fluid + melt" and "fluid" brackets.

$$X_{\rm sil} = -2.6 \pm 0.7 - 0.20 \pm 0.02 \cdot X_{\rm Al_{2}O_{3}} + 0.002$$
$$\pm 0.001 \cdot T + 0.86 \pm 0.04 \cdot P^{2}, \qquad R^{2} = 0.96. \quad (1)$$

In Eqn. 1, X_{sil} and $X_{Al_2}O_3$ are in mol %, T in °C, and P in GPa.

In the stepwise regression, the procedure begins with an empty model and then adds independent variables in order of their ability to predict the dependent variable. The criterion for adding variables is the partial F-ratio. The latter ratio is the square of the value obtained from a *t*-test for the hypothesis that the coefficient of the variable in question equals zero.

From a similar regression of the silicate solubility for analogous compositions in aqueous fluids in the system $Na_2O-Al_2O_3$ -SiO₂-H₂O, Mysen and Wheeler (2000) derived the expression:

$$X_{\rm sil} = 1.3 \pm 3.5 - 1.3 \pm 0.9 \cdot X_{\rm Al_2O_3} + 0.008 \pm 0.002 \cdot T + 13 \pm 4 \cdot P + 7.3 \pm 1.5 \cdot P^2, \qquad R^2 = 0.89. \quad (2)$$

The larger values of the regression coefficients in Eqn. 2 reflect the considerably higher solubility of the Na-aluminosilicate system as well as greater sensitivity of the solubility to alumina content, temperature, and pressure.

4. DISCUSSION

The silicate solubility in aqueous fluids may be used to estimate the influence of the dissolved silicate components on the partial molar volume of H_2O in the fluid. That information, in turn, can be used to estimate the effect of dissolved components on the density of silicate-saturated aqueous fluids in the temperature- and pressure-regime of the upper mantle of the earth.

4.1. Volume of H₂O in Silicate-saturated Solutions

Partial molar volume of H_2O in the fluids, $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, can be extracted from the relationships:

$$\Delta G_{\rm T}(P) = 0 = \Delta G_{\rm T} (1bar) + RT \ln \frac{a_{H_2O}^{\rm fluid}}{f_{H_2O}^{\rm o}} + \int_{1}^{P} \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{\rm fluid} dP, \quad (3)$$
 and,



Fig. 4. Solubility of CS4, CS4A3, and CS4A6 composition in aqueous fluid as a function of pressure. Insets: Comparison of solubility with the solubility of equivalent compositions NS4, NS4A3, and NS4A6 in aqueous fluids as a function of pressure (data from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). Mol % silicate solubility calculated on the basis of O = 1. See Table 2 for regression coefficients.



Fig. 5. Solubility of CS4, CS4A3, and CS4A6 composition in aqueous fluid as a function of temperature. Insets: Comparison of solubility with the solubility of equivalent compositions NS4, NS4A3, and NS4A6 in aqueous fluids as a function of pressure (data from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). Mol % silicate solubility calculated on the basis of O = 1. See Table 2 for regression coefficients.

$$\Delta G_T(P) = 0 = \Delta G_T (1bar) + RT \left(\ln \gamma_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}} + \ln \frac{X_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}}}{f_{H_2O}^{\theta}} \right) + \int_1^P \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}} dP, \quad (3a)$$

In Eqns. 3 and 3a, $a_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ is activity of H₂O in the fluid, $f_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm o}$ is the fugacity of pure H₂O (data from Haar et al., 1984, were

used in the present calculations), and $\bar{V}_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ is the partial molar volume of H₂O in the fluid. The $X_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ and $\gamma_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ are the mol fraction and activity coefficient, respectively, of H₂O in the fluid. Provided that the activity coefficient of H₂O, $\gamma_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$, does not vary over the pressure range of interest, the slope of the (*P*-1)/*RT* vs. ln($f^{\circ}_{\rm H_2O}/X_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$) obtained from isothermal solubility data at several pressures equals $\bar{V}_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ at given temperature, *T*. The assumption that $\gamma_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ is constant cannot be tested



Fig. 6. Solubility of Ca-silicate in aqueous fluid as a function of Al_2O_3 content at pressures and temperatures indicated. Insets: Comparison of solubility with the solubility of equivalent compositions NS4, NS4A3, and NS4A6 in aqueous fluids as a function of pressure (data from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). Mol % silicate solubility calculated on the basis of O = 1. See Table 2 for regression coefficients.

rigorously with available data for Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluid. However, in the equivalent $Na_2O-Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O$ system in approximately the same temperature- and pressure-range (1000–1300°C; 0.8–2.0 GPa), partition coefficients for Na_2O , Al_2O , and SiO_2 between coexisting aqueous fluid and melt are linear functions of the oxide concentrations in the aqueous fluid (Mysen and Wheeler, 2001). That observation leads to the suggestion that the activity coefficients in the fluid of these

three components and, therefore, of H₂O are constant. The aluminosilicate content of the aqueous fluids in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Mysen and Wheeler, 2000) is 2 to 3 times higher than in those in the present study of the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system. It appears reasonable, therefore, to conclude that $\gamma_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid}$ in Eqn. 3a also is constant in Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids in the pressure and temperature range under consideration. Equation (3a) can be used, therefore, to

$(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial P)_{\text{T}} \pmod{\%/\text{GPa}}$					
Temp., °C	CS4		CS4A3	CS4A6	
1200	-0.9(0.8) + 1.3(0.3)	•P 0.1 (0.6	P = 0.60 (0.2) P	-1.0(1.1) + 0.9(0.4))·P	
1300 ^a	-9.7 + 1.3·P	-0.3 +	0.9•P	$-0.3 + 0.6) \cdot P$	
1400	0.02(0.1) + 1.10(0.0)	4))•P −0.7 (0	$(0.3) + 1.1 (0.1) \cdot P$	0.28(0.07) + 0.99(0.02)·F	
		$(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial T)_{\text{P}} \cdot 10^3 \pmod{9}$	%/°C)		
Pressure, GPA	C	S 4	CS4A3	CS4A6	
0.8	0.68	(0.08)	0.541 (0.001)	0.2690 (0.0003)	
1.3	2.1 (0	0.2)	1.9 (0.3)	1.4 (0.4)	
1.65 ^a	1.7	,	1.9	2.5	
2.0	2.3 (0	0.5)	4.2 (0.3)	4.2 (0.3)	
		$(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial X_{\text{Al}_2}\text{O}_3)_{\text{P,T}} \text{ (mol \%/mol})$	bl % Al_2O_3) ^a		
Temp., °C	0.8 GPa	1.3 GPa	1.65 GPa	2.0 GPa	
1200	$-0.03 + 0.003 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.12 + 0.01 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.21 + 0.02 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.64 + 0.072 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	
1300	$-0.02 + 0.0015 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.07 + 0.005 \cdot X_{Al}^{2} O_{3}$		$-0.46 + 0.048 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	
1400	$-0.03 + 0.001 \cdot X_{Al_2} O_3$	$-0.12 + 0.008 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.12 + 0.008 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	$-0.46 + 0.051 \cdot X_{Al_2}O_3$	

Table 2. Temperature-, $(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial P)_{\text{P}}$, pressure-, $(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial P)_{\text{T}}$, and composition-dependence, $(\partial X_{\text{silicate}}/\partial X_{\text{Al}_2}O_3)_{\text{P,T}}$ of silicate solubility in aqueous, aluminosilicate-saturated fluids.

^aThree data points, no error calculation.

extract partial molar volume, $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, of H₂O in aqueous fluids in the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system.

The (P-1)/RT vs. $\ln(f^{\circ}_{H_2O}/X^{fluid}_{H_2O})$ relationships show a slight but distinct curvature (Fig. 7; see Table 4 for regression coefficients to the third-order polynomial used to fit the data). This curvature reflects decreasing partial molar volume of H₂O in the aqueous fluids with increasing pressure $[(\partial \bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}/\partial P)_T < 1]$ (Fig. 8). The $(\partial \bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}/\partial P)_T$ is constant for each composition and temperature, and $(\partial^2 \bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}/\partial T\partial P)$ is positive (Table 5) similar to the behavior of the equivalent compositions in the system Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O (Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). The $(\partial \bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}/\partial P)_T$ is independent of Al₂O₃ in the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Table 5), whereas in the equivalent Na₂O-Al₂O₃- SiO₂-H₂O system, $(\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}/\partial P)_{\rm T}$ is positively correlated with Al₂O₃ (Table 5). The pressure-dependence of $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ in both systems differs from that of the molar volume of pure H₂O, V_{H₂O}, which decreases with increasing pressure in the same pressure and temperature range (Haar et al., 1984; Brodholt and Wood, 1993).

The thermal expansivity, $(\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}/\partial T)_{\rm P}$, is nearly constant for each composition, but decreases systematically with increasing pressure (Fig. 9; see also Table 6), resembling that observed in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Table 6; see also Mysen and Wheeler, 2000). The thermal expansivity of pure H₂O in this pressure-/temperature-regime is also nearly constant for each pressure and decreases with increasing pressure (Haar et

Table 3. Differences in silicate solubility in aqueous fluids in the systems CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O and Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O^a

Pressure GPa	1200°C							
	Δ (NS4-CS4) ^b (mol %)	CS4/NS4 ^c (%)	$\frac{\Delta(\text{NS4A3-CS4A3})}{(\text{mol }\%)}$	CS4A3/NS4A3 (%)	Δ (NS4A6-CS4A6) (mol %)	CS4A6/NS4A6 (%)		
0.8	4.2(0.3) 5.6(0.3)	7 (2) 18 (2)	2.6(0.2) 31(02)	10 (5) 24 (3)	1.1(0.3) 1.3(0.3)	20 (12) 41 (7)		
1.65 2.0	8.2 (0.3) 15.3 (0.4)	23 (2) 20 (2)	4.9 (0.4) 9.9 (0.4)	26 (4) 20 (2)	2.1 (0.3) 3.1 (0.3)	41 (7) 44 (3)		
	1300°C							
Pressure GPa	Δ (NS4-CS4) (mol %)	CS4/NS4 (%)	Δ(NS4A3-CS4A3) (mol %)	CS4A3/NS4A3 (%)	Δ(NS4A6-CS4A6) (mol %)	CS4A6/NS4A6 (%)		
0.8	5.2 (0.3)	7 (2)	3.6 (0.3)	8 (3)	1.5 (0.3)	17 (10)		
1.5 1.65 2.0	0.0 (0.5) — 16.6 (0.7)	17 (4) — 19 (1)		23 (3) 22 (2)	4.1 (0.3)	41 (3)		

^aSolubility data for compositions NS4, NS4A3, and NS4A6 are from Mysen and Wheeler (2000).

^bSolubility diffrence between equivalent compositions in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O and CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O systems respectively.

^cSolubility of composition in the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system relative to those in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O (%).



Fig. 7. Ln $(f_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm o}/X_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid})$ versus (P-1)/RT at the temperatures and for the compositions indicated. The size of symbols is greater than the uncertainty in the ln $(f_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm o}/X_{\rm H_2O}^{\rm fluid})$ function. The fugacity of pure H₂O is from Haar et al. (1984). See Table 4 for regression coefficients.

al., 1984; Brodholt and Wood, 1993) in a manner resembling that observed in the silicate-saturated aqueous fluids (Fig. 9; Table 6). The thermal expansion coefficients for pure H₂O, $\alpha_{\rm H_2O}$, are, however, slightly larger than that for the silicate-saturated aqueous fluid. This difference probably reflects the presence of significant dissolved silicate components, whose

Table 4. Coefficients for polynomial fit, $\ln (f_{H_2O}^{\circ}/X_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}}) = a + b[(P-1)/RT] + c[(P-1)/RT]^2$.

	CS4					
Temperature, °C	a	b	с			
1200 1300 ^a 1400	$7.68 \pm 0.04 \\ 7.71 \\ 7.78 \pm 0.04$	$\begin{array}{c} 29.5 \pm 0.7 \\ 31.5 \\ 32.5 \pm 0.9 \\ \text{CS4A3} \end{array}$	-37.7 ± 2.9 -45.8 -50.6 ± 4.3			
	а	b	с			
1200 1300 ^a 1400	$7.67 \pm 0.04 \\ 7.71 \\ 7.78 \pm 0.05$	$\begin{array}{c} 29.7 \pm 0.7 \\ 31.7 \\ 32.5 \pm 1.0 \\ \text{CS4A6} \end{array}$	-39.0 ± 3.2 -47.1 -51.1 ± 4.9			
	a	b	с			
1200 1300 ^a 1400	$7.68 \pm 0.04 7.71 7.78 \pm 0.05$	29.5 ± 0.9 31.6 32.4 ± 1.0	-38.3 ± 4 -47.0 -50.3 \pm 5.3			

^aOnly three pressure points at 1300°C. Hence, no uncertainty can be estimated.

thermal expansivity likely is considerably less than that of pure H_2O .

The temperature-, pressure-, and composition-dependence of the partial molar volume of H_2O in Ca-silicate saturated aqueous liquids (CAS) can be fitted via stepwise regression to a simple equation of the form:

$$V_{H_2O}^{fluid}(CAS) = 20.1 \pm 0.7 - 0.019 \pm 0.015 X_{Al_2O_3} + 7.0$$

$$\pm 0.5 \cdot 10^{-4} T(K) - 6.97 \pm 0.08 P(GPa) \qquad R^2 = 0.995$$
(4)

This fit compares with results for the partial molar volume of H_2O for the compositions in the equivalent $Na_2O-Al_2O_3$ -SiO₂- H_2O (NAS) system (data from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000):

$$V_{H_{2O}}^{fluid}(NAS) = 15.8 \pm 1.0 - 0.17 \pm 0.03X_{Al_{2O_3}} + 90$$

$$\pm 10 \cdot 10^{-4}T (K) - 4.4 \pm 0.02P (GPa) \qquad R^2 = 0.95$$

(5)

The larger temperature and composition coefficients in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system reflect the much greater sensitivity of $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ to composition and temperature in these latter fluids.

The bulk modulus,

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$$G = \frac{1}{\beta} = \left(\frac{1}{-\frac{1}{V_o}\left(\frac{\partial \bar{V}^{fluid}}{\partial P}\right)}\right),\tag{6}$$

for H_2O in Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids is constant and slightly above 4 GPa in the 0.8 to 2.0 GPa and 1200 to 1400°C pressure- and temperature-range, respectively (Table 6). In comparison, for the equivalent compositions in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system, the bulk modulus decreases with increasing Al₂O₃ although in this latter system, for each composition the bulk modulus remains constant (Mysen and Wheeler, 2000; Table 6). This behavior of the bulk modulus



Fig. 8. Partial molar volume of H_2O , $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, as a function of pressure for compositions indicated. The $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ for composition NS4 is from Mysen and Wheeler (2000). Also shown is the molar volume of pure H_2O , $V_{H_2O}^{o}$, from Haar et al. (1984). See Table 5 for regression coefficients.

contrasts with that of the bulk modulus of pure H_2O , which decreases significantly with increasing pressure in the pressuretemperature regime of these experiments (Haar et al. 1984, see also dashed lines in Fig. 8). In other words, in both the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O and Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O systems, H₂O in the silicate-saturated aqueous fluids is less compressible than pure H_2O at the lower pressures, and more compressible than pure H_2O at the higher pressures. Qualitatively similar behavior can be inferred from the aluminosilicate solubility in aqueous fluids in the K_2O -Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Mysen and Acton, 1999).

Table 5. Pressure dependence of partial molar volume^a of H₂O) in aluminosilicate-saturated aqueous solutions.

	CS4		N	S4 ^b		
Temp., °C	a	b	а	b	a	b
1200	29.81 (0.05)	-6.23(0.02)	26.60 (0.05)	-3.34(0.03)		
1300	31.96 (0.05)	-7.09(0.03)	27.51 (0.04)	-3.43(0.03)		
1400	32.86 (0.03)	-7.36(0.02)				
	CS4A3		NS4A3 ^b		KS4A3 ^c	
1200	30.02 (0.02)	-6.44(0.06)	27.55 (0.04)	-4.43(0.03)	29.39 (0.02)	-5.86 (0.01)
1300	32.10 (0.05)	-7.29(0.03)	29.01 (0.05)	-5.00(0.03)	31.03 (0.06)	-6.49(0.04)
32.87 (0.07)	-7.43(0.03)			· · · · ·	× /	· · · ·
(,	CS4A6		NS4A6 ^b			
1200	29.82 (0.06)	-6.33(0.04)	29.3 (0.06)	-6.06(0.04)		
1300	32.00 (0.01)	-7.73(0.01)	30.83 (0.06)	-6.57(0.03)		
1400	32.76 (0.08)	-7.32(0.06)	· · · ·			

 ${}^{a}\bar{V}_{H_{2}O}^{fluid} = a + b \cdot P(GPa).$

^bFrom Mysen and Wheeler (2000).

^cFrom Mysen and Acton (1999).

4.2. Density of Silicate-saturated Aqueous Solutions

Calcium silicate–saturated aqueous solutions in the pressure and temperature ranges under study dissolve up to nearly 20 wt.% silicate (depending on pressure, temperature, and bulk composition; see Fig. 3). This dissolved silicate may affect the solution density in part because the density of silicate components differs substantially from the density of pure H₂O and in part because $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ (and its pressure- and temperature-derivatives) differs from the molar volume of pure H₂O, $V_{H_2O}^{\circ}$.

To calculate the molar volume and density of silicate-saturated aqueous fluids, partial molar volume silicate components and H₂O are needed. We will use the $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ from the present results (Figs. 8 and 9). The partial molar volume of the oxides in solution may be approximated with those for oxides in silicate melts (Lange and Carmichael, 1987; Kress and Carmichael, 1991; Lange, 1997). This approximation is justified in light of current knowledge of the silicate speciation in silicatesaturated aqueous fluids in pressure-temperature ranges similar to those of the present experiments (Mysen, 1998; Zotov and Keppler, 2000). These species (or complexes) are associated and polymerized metal silicate complexes. Association of metal silicate solute in these aqueous fluids is likely because the dielectric constant of H₂O is quite low at high temperature such as those of the present experiments (Pitzer, 1983). Decreasing dielectric constant promotes association of the solute, which has been observed in various other salt solutes in aqueous fluids (Quist and Marshall, 1968; Frantz and Popp, 1981). We suggest, therefore, that in both hydrous silicate melts and silicatesaturated aqueous fluids at high pressure and temperature, the dominant silicate species or complexes are of $Q^{i}(M)$ type where *i* denotes the number of bridging oxygen in the silicate (i > 0)and M is the associated metal cation (M = Ca or Na in thepresent discussion). In both hydrous melts and aqueous fluid, water exists as protonated SiO₄⁴⁻ [Q^o(H)], as M·OH complexes, and as molecular H₂O (Mysen, 1998; Zotov and Keppler, 2000). It is because of these structural similarities between hydrous silicate melts and silicate-saturated aqueous fluid at high pressure and temperature that we suggest that the partial molar volume of oxides in the silicate-saturated aqueous fluid can be approximated with the values determined for silicate melts. Their concentration in aqueous fluids, however, is considerably lower than in the melts. We assume, however, that the partial molar volume of the oxides in the melts and the fluids does not depend on their concentration in the concentration range under consideration.

The molar volume of Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids is shown as a function of pressure in Figure 10. Also shown is a comparison between the molar volume of the equivalent compositions H₂O + CS4 and H₂O + NS4 at 1200°C. The partial molar volume of H₂O, $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, in the NS4- and CS4-saturated aqueous fluids is also shown in Figure 10 together with the molar volume of pure H₂O, $V_{H_2O}^{o}$. The 1200°C temperature was used to illustrate the difference between its molar volume, V^{fluid} , and $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ because among the compositions studied, the two compositions, CS4 and NS4, at this temperature exhibit the largest difference between V^{fluid} and $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$.

The molar volume of the silicate-saturated aqueous fluids is nearly identical to the partial molar volume of H_2O in the same fluid. This observation is a direct consequence of the relatively low silicate solubility in the fluid. The difference between V^{fluid} and $\bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}$ is slightly larger in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Fig. 10; see also Mysen and Wheeler, 2000) in part because of the significantly greater solubility of Na-silicate components in those fluids.

We may, therefore, use $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ as an approximation of V^{fluid} in Ca-silicate systems such as that studied here (as well as in Na-silicate systems; Mysen and Wheeler, 2000) at least in the pressure and temperature range under consideration.

The density of the silicate-saturated aqueous fluids, therefore, is:

$$\rho^{fluid} = \frac{M^{fluid}}{V^{fluid}} \sim \frac{M^{fluid}}{\bar{V}^{fluid}_{H_2O}}, \qquad (7)$$

where M^{fluid} is the molecular weight of the silicate-saturated aqueous fluid.

The resulting pressure- and temperature-dependence of fluid density, ρ^{fluid} , governed by the composition-, pressure-, and temperature-dependence of $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, and the molecular weight of



Fig. 9. Partial molar volume of H_2O , $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$, as a function of temperature for compositions indicated. The $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ for composition NS4 is from Mysen and Wheeler (2000). Also shown is the molar volume of pure H_2O , $V_{H_2O}^{\circ}$, from Haar et al. (1984).

the fluid, is shown in Figure 11. The density of Al-free compositions, CS4 and NS4, as well as that of pure H₂O (Haar et al., 1984) is also compared in Fig. 11. The density of Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids is a nonlinear function of pressure. The $(\partial \rho^{\text{fluid}} \partial P)_{\text{T}}$ increases with increasing pressure for all compositions (Fig. 11). The positive $(\partial \rho^{\text{fluid}} \partial P)_{\text{T}}$ results from the strong positive and nonlinear dependence of solubility of silicate in the fluids with pressure (Fig. 4). This density behavior is qualitatively similar to that observed for Na silicate–saturated aqueous fluids (Mysen and Wheeler, 2000) in the same pressure and temperature range. The $(\partial \rho^{\text{fluid}} \partial P)_{\text{T}}$ in the latter is system is, however, greater than for the Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids (see Fig. 11, for example) because of the larger silicate solubility, X_{sil} , and the larger $(\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}} \partial P)_{\text{T}}$ in

Table 6. Compressibility, β ,^a bulk modulus, G,^b and thermal expansion, α^c of H₂O in aluminosilicate-saturated aqueous fluids.

	Compressibility, GPa ⁻¹								
Temperature °C	CS4	NS4 ^d	CS4A3	NS4A3	CS4A6	NS4A6	H_2O^e		
1200	0.209 (0.001)	0.126 (0.001)	0.214 (0.002)	0.161 (0.001)	0.212 (0.001)	0.206 (0.001)	0.49-0.22P		
1300	0.223 (0.001)	0.124 (0.001)	0.227 (0.001)	0.172 (0.001)	0.227 (0.001)	0.213 (0.001)	0.51-0.22P		
1400	0.224 (0.001)	~ /	0.226 (0.001)	× ,	0.223 (0.002)	× ,	0.52-0.24P		
	× ,	Bulk modulus, GPa							
Temperature °C	CS4	NS4	CS4A3	NS4A3	CS4A6	NS4A6			
1200	4.78 (0.02)	7.90 (0.1)	4.66 (0.04)	6.21 (0.04)	4.71 (0.03)	4.85 (0.02)			
1300	4.49 (0.02)	8.01 (0.1)	4.40 (0.02)	5.81 (0.03)	4.40 (0.02)	4.69 (0.02)			
1400	4.46 (0.01)		4.42 (0.02)		4.48 (0.04)				
	Thermal expansion $\cdot 10^4$, K ⁻¹								
Pressure GPa	CS4	NS4	CS4A3	NS4A3	CS4A6	NS4A6	H ₂ O		
0.8	9.2 (1.8)	6.4 (2.3)	7.9 (2.3)	8.2 (0.3)	9.2 (2.5)	9.2 (0.2)	13.3		
1.3	6.5 (0.9)	6.9 (0.1)	6.3 (1.0)	5.2 (0.1)	7.2 (0.6)	7.2 (0.2)	6.3		
1.65	4.8 (0.2)	7.0 (0.2)	5.0 (0.6)	4.6 (0.2)	5.8 (0.4)	5.8 (0.1)	4.5		
2	3.1 (0.3)	7.0 (0.2)	3.6 (0.5)	3.0 (0.2)	4.3 (0.6)	4.1 (0.2)	3.5		

^aCompressibility,
$$\beta = -\frac{1}{V^o} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}}{\partial P} \right)_T$$
, GPa⁻¹
^bBulk modulus: $G = \frac{1}{\beta}$, GPa
^cThermal expansion, $\alpha = \frac{1}{V_o} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}}{\partial T} \right)_P$, K⁻¹

1993).

^dBased on solubility data from Mysen and Wheeler (2000). ^eData from Haar et al. (1984).

 $Na_2O-Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O$ system compared with the CaO- $Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O$ system (Figs. 4 and 8). This behavior is in contrast to that of pure H_2O whose density decreases with increasing pressure (Haar et al., 1984; Brodholt and Wood,

The density difference between that of silicate-saturated aqueous fluids and pure H₂O passes through a minimum with increasing pressure (Fig. 12) because of the difference between $(\partial V_{H_2O}^o/\partial P)_T$ and $(\partial \bar{V}_{H_2O}^{hu}/\partial P)_T$ (Fig. 8) and because the silicate solubility in aqueous fluids is significantly pressure-dependent (Fig. 4). Between ~1.1 and 1.7 GPa the density of pure H₂O exceeds that of the Ca silicate–saturated aqueous solutions. A qualitatively similar minimum occurs in the density difference between pure H₂O and Na silicate–saturated fluids (Fig. 12). The fluids in the latter system, however, remain more dense than pure H₂O at all pressures (Fig. 12) because of the considerably greater Na- than Ca-silicate solubility and the stronger pressure-dependence on the solubility in the Na system (Fig. 4).

From the pressure-, temperature-, and composition-dependent fluid density, stepwise regression yields the expression:

$$log \rho^{fluid}(CAS) = -0.445 \pm 0.024 + 4$$

$$\pm 4 \cdot 10^{-3} X_{Al_{2}O_{3}}(mol\%) + \frac{326 \pm 32}{T(^{\circ}C)} \cdot R^{2} = 0.993$$

$$+ 0.078 \pm 0.19P(GPa) + 0.027 \pm 0.007P^{2} \quad (8)$$

From Eqn. 8 the P-T trajectory of isochors in this system is

 $P(GPa) = -1.444 + \frac{\sqrt{-326 + T(^{\circ}C)(0.523 + \log p^{fluid}(CAS) - 0.004X_{Al_2O_3}(mol\%)}}{\sqrt{T(^{\circ}C)}}.$ (9)

From the Na-silicate solubility data from the equivalent Na_2O -Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (data from Mysen and Wheeler, 2000), the respective relationships are:

$$log \rho^{fluid}(NAS) = -0.282 \pm 0.0019 + 2$$

$$\pm 0.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 10^{-3} X_{Al_2O_3}(mol\%), + \frac{220 \pm 13}{T(^{\circ}C)}$$

$$+ 0.046 \pm 0.001 P^2(GPa) R^2 = 0.991$$
(10)

and,

$$P(GPa) = 4.6652$$

$$\sqrt{0.282 + \log \rho^{fluid}(NAS) - \frac{220}{T(^{\circ}C)} + 0.002X_{Al_2O_3}(mol\%)}.$$
(11)

A few isochors calculated from Eqns. 9 and 11 are shown in Figure 13. In Figure 13A, 0.8 and 1.0 g/cm³ isochors were calculated for aqueous fluid saturated with the Al-free compositions, CS4 and NS4 (thick and thin solid lines, respectively). These isochors are compared with the 0.8 and 1.0 g/cm³ isochors for pure H_2O (dashed lines; calculated with data from Haar et al., 1984).

The isochors of aqueous fluid saturated with either Ca- or



Fig. 10. Molar volume of H_2O as a function of pressure for compositions indicated. The molar volume for composition NS4 is from Mysen and Wheeler (2000). Also shown is the molar volume of pure H_2O , $V_{H_2O}^o$, from Haar et al. (1984).

Na-silicate differ significantly from those of pure H₂O (Fig. 13). At low densities ($\leq 0.9 \text{ g/cm}^3$), Ca silicate–saturated fluids are less dense than pure H₂O. This relationship is reversed at higher densities. Thus, for $\rho_{fluid}(CAS) \leq 0.9 \text{ g/cm}^{-3}$ for given temperature and density, any pressure inferred from density based on the isochors of pure H₂O would underestimate pressure. At higher fluid densities, the reverse is true. In comparison, Na silicate–saturated fluids remain heavier than those of pure H₂O at any density. Thus, pressure estimates for Na

silicate–saturated aqueous fluids from the density of pure $\rm H_2O$ would always lead to an overestimate.

The effect of Al_2O_3 on isochors of silicate-saturated fluids was estimated at 1000°C and 1400°C. By adding Al_2O_3 to the system, the silicate solubility decreases whether in the Ca-(Figs. 4 to 6), the Na-silicate system (Mysen and Wheeler, 2000), or the K-aluminosilicate system (Mysen and Acton, 1999). The effect of Al_2O_3 on solubility is greater in the Naand K-aluminosilicate systems than in the Ca-aluminosilicate



Fig. 11. Density of H₂O as a function of pressure for compositions indicated. The density of NS4 + H₂O fluid is from Mysen and Wheeler (2000). Also shown is the molar volume of pure H₂O, $V_{H_2O}^{o}$, from Haar et al. (1984). See text for detailed discussion of density calculations.

system. Therefore, at constant temperature and fluid density, the density difference between Na- (and K-, not shown) and Ca-saturated aqueous fluids decreases with increasing Al_2O_3 (Fig. 13).

The difference in P/T trajectory of the isochors in the Na2O-

 Al_2O_3 -SiO_2-H₂O and CaO-Al_2O_3-SiO_2-H_2O systems also changes with temperature because the temperature dependence of the silicate solubility in aqueous fluids in the two systems differs (Figs. 5 and 13). For fluid density less than ~0.85 g/cm³, the pressure difference decreases in the temperature



Fig. 12. Density difference between Na- and Ca-aluminosilicatesaturated aqueous relative to that of pure H₂O, $100(\rho_{A1,S1,-Sat}-\rho_{H_2O})/\rho_{H_2O}$, for compositions indicated. The data for compositions, NS4 and NS4A6, are based on the solubility data of Mysen and Wheeler (2000).

interval between 1000° and 1400°C although the rate of decrease diminishes with increasing temperatures. For heavier fluids, the density difference between the two fluids increases with increasing temperature (Fig. 13). This behavior reflects the observation that the positive temperature-dependence of silicate solubility in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system is greater than that in the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system (Fig. 5).

5. CONCLUDING REMARKS

The solubility of Ca-aluminosilicate components in aqueous fluids in the system CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O ranges from <1 mol % to ~4 mol % in the 1200 to 1400°C temperature, and 0.8 to 2.0 GPa pressure range, respectively. The solubility is a positive function of both pressure and temperature and a negative function of Al₂O₃ content.

The solubility in the CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system is \sim 7–44% of that of equivalent compositions in the Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O system. This solubility difference becomes smaller the higher the Al₂O₃ content.

Partial molar volume of H₂O in Ca silicate–saturated aqueous fluids, derived from the solubility data, ranges between 27 and ~17 cm³/mol, and decreases as linear functions of pressure and increases as a linear function of temperature. Compared with H₂O in Na silicate–saturated fluids in the same pressure and temperature range, the $\bar{V}_{H_2O}^{fluid}$ in the Ca-silicate system is slightly higher in the low-pressure portion of the experimental pressure range and ≥ 2 cm³/mol lower near 2 GPa. This difference in behavior is because the compressibility of Na silicate–saturated fluids is less than that of Ca silicate–saturated fluids.

The density of silicate-saturated aqueous fluids, whether with Na or Ca, increases with increasing pressure. The $(\rho_{H_{10}}^{fluid})^2 P_T$ is



Fig. 13. Isochors for densities indicated in figures for fluids in the systems CaO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O (CAS) and Na₂O-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O (NAS). (A) 1.0 and 0.8 g/cm³ isochors for Al-free compositions, CS4 and NS4. (B) The effect of Al₂O₃ on the pressure of isochors in CAS and NAS at 1000 and 1400°C. (C) Pressure difference between isochors in the CAS and NAS systems, (Ca-Na) at densities indicated as a function of temperature.

positive in contrast to that of pure H_2O , where $(\rho_{H_2O}^{\text{fluid}}/\partial P)_T$ is negative. This difference results from the increasing solubility of aluminosilicate components with increasing pressure. As a result of these differences, isochors of aluminosilicate-saturated aqueous fluids differ from those of pure H_2O (Gerlach et al., 1996).

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