

# Expansion co-efficient and compressibility: ~  
( $\beta$ ) ~~( $\alpha$ )~~ ( $\kappa$ )

Average coefficient of volume expansion

$$= \frac{\text{change of volume per unit volume}}{\text{change of temperature}}$$

at constant pressure.

If all the changes are infinitesimal, then the differential coefficient of volume expansion is known as the volume expansivity which is denoted by  $\beta$ .

Thus, 
$$\beta = \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = \beta V$$

Isothermal compressibility (k):

K is a Greek letter called kappa.

Isothermal compressibility is defined as the reciprocal of isothermal bulk modulus. So, first we have to define isothermal bulk modulus.

average bulk modulus = -  $\frac{\text{change of pressure}}{\text{change in volume per unit volume}}$

Since an increase of pressure always produces a decrease of volume, the minus sign is introduced to make the bulk modulus a positive number.

When the changes are infinitesimal, we have differential bulk modulus denoted by B.

Again, if the temperature is kept constant, the bulk modulus is called isothermal bulk modulus denoted by B.

$$\therefore B = - \left. \frac{\partial P}{(\partial V/V)} \right|_T$$

$$B = -V \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

The reciprocal of B is known as isothermal compressibility (k).

$$\therefore k = - \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_T$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_T = -kV$$