# Excess Molar Volumes of 2-[2-(2-Alkoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanols with 2-Methoxyethanol at 298.15 K 

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#### Abstract

The excess molar volumes $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ for binary liquid mixtures of 2-methoxyethanol, $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ with 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, 2-[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, and 2-[2-(2-butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, have been measured using a continuous-dilution dilatometer at 298.15 K as a function of composition. The excess volumes are negative over the entire range of composition for 2-methoxyethanol with 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol and 2-[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol and are sigmoidal for 2-[2-(2-butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol. The results were used to estimate the excess partial molar volumes of the components.


## Introduction

In our previous paper (Pal and Singh, 1996a) we have studied the excess molar volumes of $\left[\mathrm{xCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+\right.$ x) $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ ] for $v=1,2$, and 4 at 298.15 K. In continuation of these investigations of the excess thermodynamic properties of mixtures of an alkoxyethanol with an organic solvent (Pal and Singh, 1995b,c), the present paper reports the excess molar volumes for binary mixtures of $\left[x \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{\nu^{-}}\right.$ $\left.\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ ] for $v=1,2$, and 4 at 298.15 K . No literature results are available for these mixtures.

## Experimental Section

Materials. Materials were the same as used in earlier studies (Pal and Singh, 1996a, 1995c). Before the measurements, all liquids werestored in contact with molecular sieves type 4A to reduce the water content and were partially degassed under vacuum.
Apparatus and Procedure Excess molar volumes, which are accurate to $\pm 0.003 \mathrm{~cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$, were measured directly by means of a continuous-dilution dilatometer described elsewhere (Dickinson et al., 1975). Details of its calibration and operational procedure have been described previously (Pal and Singh, 1994, 1995a). The composition of each mixture was obtained from the measured apparent masses of the components with an accuracy of $1 \times 10^{-4}$. All masses were corrected for buoyancy. Each run covered just over half of the range of $x$ so as to give an overlap between two runs.

Densities of pure components, measured with a doublearmed pycnometer, were reproducible to $\leq 3 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{~g} \cdot \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$. Densities of 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, 2-[2-(2ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, 2-[2-(2-butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol, and 2-methoxyethanol at 298.15 K are reported in Table 1 along with the available literature data. All the measurements were carried out in a thermostatically controlled, well-stirred water bath whose temperature was controlled to $\pm 0.01 \mathrm{~K}$.

## Results and Discussion

The experimental results of excess molar volumes $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ of the binary mixtures at 298.15 K are listed as a function of mole fraction in Table 2. For each mixture, the excess quantities were fitted to the Redlich-K ister equation:

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\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}=\mathrm{x}(1-\mathrm{x}) \sum_{\mathrm{j}=1}^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{j}}(2 \mathrm{x}-1)^{\mathrm{j}-1} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
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The values of the parameters $a_{j}$ were evaluated by the method of least squares and are summarized in Table 3 along with standard deviations $s\left(\mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}\right)$. For all mixtures $\mathrm{s}\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}\right)<0.003 \mathrm{~cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$, showing the good accuracy attainable with the dilatometer used. The observed and calculated $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ values from eq 1 are plotted against the mole fraction $x$ of 2-methoxyethanol. We have obtained the $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ values for mixtures of 2-methoxyethanol with 2-[2-(2butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol within the limit of the dilatometer accuracy over the whole concentration range.
We have also calculated excess partial molar volumes $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{\mathrm{E}}=\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}-\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{*}\right)$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{\mathrm{E}}=\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}-\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{*}\right)$ from $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ where $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{*}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{*}$ represent the molar volumes of the pure components. The partial molar volume $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}$ in their mixtures were evaluated (Davis, 1992) over the whole mole fraction range by using eqs 2 and 3.

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\begin{gather*}
\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{*}+\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}+(1-\mathrm{x})\left(\delta \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}} / \delta \mathrm{x}\right)  \tag{2}\\
\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{*}+\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}-\mathrm{x}\left(\delta \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}} / \delta \mathrm{x}\right) \tag{3}
\end{gather*}
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The derivatives of eqs 2 and 3 are obtained from differentiation of $V_{m}^{\mathrm{E}}$ data as obtained from eq 1. The results calculated for $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{\mathrm{E}}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{\mathrm{E}}$ are plotted against x in Figure 3.

Excess volume versus composition plots in Figure 1 show that $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ is negative over the whole mole fraction range for mixtures with 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol and 2-[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol but the curves are unsymmetrical with minima at $x \gg 0.5$. Remarkably, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ is mostly negative for the mixtures containing 2-[2-(2butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol with expansion occurring at lower and higher values of $x$ and contraction at the intermediate rich region. The unsymmetrical nature of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ vs mole fraction curves in the binary systems appears to be primarily due to steric factors arising from a change in the proportion of different geometric forms of 2-methoxyethanol molecules with a change in its mole fraction. The behavior of these mixtures is very complex and the overall values of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ are attributed to a resultant of several physical and chemical affects: breaking of liquid order on mixing and unfavorable interaction between

Table 1. Densities $\rho$ for the Pure Liquids at 298.15 K

|  | $\rho / \mathrm{g} \cdot \mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| component | this work | lit. |  |
| 2-methoxyethanol | 0.9602 | 0.96024 | Riddick and Buner (1970) |
| 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol | 1.0430 | 0.96016 | Roux et al. (1978) |
| 2-[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol | 1.0161 |  |  |
| 2-[2-(2-butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol | 0.9868 |  |  |

Table 2. Excess Molar Volumes, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$, and Partial Molar Volumes, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}$, for $\left[\mathrm{XCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathbf{O H}+(1-\right.$ $\left.\mathbf{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right](v=1,2$, and 4), at $\mathrm{T}=\mathbf{2 9 8 . 1 5 \mathrm { K }}$

| x | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ | x | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left[x \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-x) \mathrm{CH}_{3}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right]$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Run I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0358 | -0.003 | 79.149 | 157.454 | 0.3494 | -0.036 | 79.155 | 157.467 |
| 0.0767 | -0.007 | 79.144 | 157.471 | 0.3976 | -0.040 | 79.161 | 157.452 |
| 0.1162 | -0.011 | 79.143 | 157.483 | 0.4444 | -0.043 | 79.167 | 157.435 |
| 0.1667 | -0.017 | 79.143 | 157.490 | 0.4935 | -0.045 | 79.174 | 157.415 |
| 0.2117 | -0.024 | 79.144 | 157.490 | 0.5346 | -0.047 | 79.181 | 157.397 |
| 0.2600 | -0.028 | 79.147 | 157.486 | 0.5828 | -0.050 | 79.189 | 157.373 |
| 0.3042 | -0.032 | 79.150 | 157.478 | 0.6256 | -0.052 | 79.196 | 157.351 |
| Run II |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.6208 | -0.052 | 79.196 | 157.353 | 0.8585 | -0.034 | 79.238 | 157.202 |
| 0.6611 | -0.052 | 79.203 | 157.331 | 0.9118 | -0.023 | 79.244 | 157.161 |
| 0.7028 | -0.051 | 79.211 | 157.306 | 0.9522 | -0.016 | 79.248 | 157.128 |
| 0.7561 | -0.048 | 79.220 | 157.273 | 0.9859 | -0.009 | 79.249 | 157.100 |
| 0.8040 | -0.041 | 79.229 | 157.241 |  |  |  |  |
| $\left[\mathrm{XCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right]$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Run I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0267 | -0.002 | 79.146 | 175.402 | 0.3583 | -0.037 | 79.153 | 175.414 |
| 0.0695 | -0.006 | 79.146 | 175.403 | 0.3851 | -0.039 | 79.157 | 175.410 |
| 0.0844 | -0.009 | 79.145 | 175.403 | 0.4387 | -0.043 | 79.166 | 175.399 |
| 0.1219 | -0.012 | 79.145 | 175.407 | 0.4617 | -0.045 | 79.171 | 175.392 |
| 0.1637 | -0.018 | 79.145 | 175.411 | 0.4824 | -0.046 | 79.175 | 175.386 |
| 0.1971 | -0.022 | 79.144 | 175.414 | 0.5317 | -0.048 | 79.186 | 175.369 |
| 0.2546 | -0.207 | 79.145 | 175.418 | 0.6203 | -0.050 | 79.207 | 175.332 |
| 0.2969 | -0.031 | 79.147 | 175.418 | 0.6933 | -0.047 | 79.223 | 175.299 |
| 0.3045 | -0.032 | 79.148 | 175.418 |  |  |  |  |
| Run II |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.6789 | -0.048 | 79.220 | 175.305 | 0.8608 | -0.026 | 79.246 | 175.231 |
| 0.7047 | -0.046 | 79.225 | 175.294 | 0.8947 | -0.021 | 79.248 | 175.221 |
| 0.7418 | -0.042 | 79.232 | 175.277 | 0.9252 | -0.016 | 79.249 | 175.214 |
| 0.7876 | -0.036 | 79.239 | 175.258 | 0.9577 | -0.008 | 79.249 | 175.208 |
| 0.8327 | -0.030 | 79.244 | 175.240 | 0.9808 | -0.005 | 79.249 | 175.203 |
| $\left[\mathrm{XCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{4}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right]$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Run I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0133 | 0.003 | 79.336 | 209.040 | 0.3917 | -0.010 | 79.229 | 209.007 |
| 0.0312 | 0.005 | 79.309 | 209.038 | 0.4589 | -0.008 | 79.244 | 209.016 |
| 0.0867 | 0.006 | 79.248 | 209.028 | 0.5468 | -0.007 | 79.257 | 209.030 |
| 0.1404 | 0.003 | 79.216 | 209.018 | 0.6195 | -0.003 | 79.262 | 209.043 |
| 0.1996 | -0.004 | 79.202 | 209.009 | 0.6783 | -0.002 | 79.263 | 209.052 |
| 0.3033 | -0.007 | 79.210 | 209.003 | 0.7299 | -0.001 | 79.261 | 209.059 |
| Run II |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0.7201 | -0.001 | 79.261 | 209.058 | 0.9475 | 0.004 | 79.250 | 209.086 |
| 0.8121 | 0.001 | 79.257 | 209.068 | 0.9629 | 0.005 | 79.250 | 209.088 |
| 0.8557 | 0.002 | 79.254 | 209.073 | 0.9806 | 0.004 | 79.250 | 209.092 |
| 0.8983 | 0.003 | 79.252 | 209.078 | 0.9874 | 0.003 | 79.249 | 209.096 |
| 0.9263 | 0.004 | 79.251 | 209.082 | 0.9974 | 0.002 | 79.249 | 209.080 |

Table 3. Parameters $a_{j}$ and Standard Deviations $s\left(V_{m}^{E}\right)$ for Least Squares Representations by Eq $\mathbf{1}$ of $\mathbf{V}_{m}^{E}$ for Studied Mixtures at $\mathbf{T}=298.15 \mathrm{~K}$

| mixture | $\mathrm{a}_{1}$ | $\mathrm{a}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{a}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{~s}\left(\mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}\right) / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{xCH} \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{CH}_{3}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ | -0.1880 | -0.1142 | -0.0323 | 0.002 |
| $+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ | -0.1888 | -0.0772 | 0.0329 | 0.001 |
| $+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{4}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ | -0.0351 | 0.0163 | 0.1141 | 0.002 |

unlike molecules produce positive $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ values; differences in molar volumes and free volumes between liquid components and possible association by hydrogen bonds produce negative $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ values, implying specific interactions. In fact we observe similar characteristics for $V_{m}^{\mathrm{E}}$ as in mixtures of 2-methoxyethanol with 2-alkoxyethanols and

2-(2-alkoxyethoxy)ethanols (Cobos et al., 1989; Pal and Singh, 1996a): a marked decrease in the algebraic value of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ here. The $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ 's pass through a minimum and then increase as the alkyl chain length of the alkoxyethanol increases for the two homologous series, as is shown in Figure 2 where we plot $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}(\mathrm{x}=0.5)$ against $v$, the number


Figure 1. Excess molar volume $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ for $\left[\mathrm{XCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-\right.$ $\left.\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right]$ at $\mathrm{T}=298.15 \mathrm{~K}$ : ( O ) $v=1$; ( $\Delta$ ) $v=2$; (ㅁ) $v=4$. Solid curves were cal culated from eq 1 using coefficients $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{j}}$ of Table 3.


Figure 2. Plot of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}(\mathrm{x}=0.5)$ against number $v$ : ( $(\ominus)\left[0.5 \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}-\right.$ $\left.2_{2} \mathrm{OH}+0.5 \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{2} \mathrm{OH}\right]$, (Pal and Singh, 1996a);
) $\left[0.5 \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+0.5 \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right.$ ], this work at 298.15 K.
of carbon atoms in the aliphatic chain of the alkoxyethanol. This behavior is consistent with that of the $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ of 2-[2-(2alkoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanols with ether (Pal and Singh, 1996b) at a low mole fraction range of $x$ but with opposite trend.

The algebraic values of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ at $\mathrm{x}<0.55$ for all the binary systems with 2-methoxyethanol are in the order ( $v=2$ ) < $1)<(v=4)$. The negative contribution to the $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ of 2-[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol caused by the formation of intermolecular hydrogen bonds yields higher nega$\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ values compared with those of the other two mixtures.

Figure 3 shows that in accordance with the sign of there is a monotonic decrease and increase in $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{\mathrm{E}}(v=4)$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{\mathrm{E}}(2$-methoxyethanol) with increasing x as compared with the behavior in 2 methoxyethanol with $v=1$ and 2. The decrease in partial molar volume of nonelectrolyte solute 2-methoxyethanol in the very 2-[2-(2-alkoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol-rich region is due to the difference in molecular size between the solute and the solvent and to the packing density of the solvent. The larger the size ratio of the solute to the sol vent, the smaller the partial molar volume of the solute. The first molecule of 2-[2-(2-alkoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanols, after breaking away from its self-associated hydrogen-bonded structural environment, is now surrounded by much smaller 2-methoxyethanol molecules, which tend to fill in gaps that were present in the pure solvent environment. As x increases,


Figure 3. Partial molar excess volumes $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{\mathrm{E}}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 2}^{\mathrm{E}}$ for $\left[\mathrm{xCH}_{3} \mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}+(1-\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{v}\left\{\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right\}_{3} \mathrm{OH}\right]$ at $\mathrm{T}=298.15$ $\mathrm{K}: ~ \mathrm{~A}(-), v=1$; $\mathrm{B}(-\cdot-), v=2$; $(---), v=4$.
the packing density of the solvent as well as the excess partial molar volume $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}, 1}^{\mathrm{E}}$ of 2-methoxyethanol decreases. According to this, if the packing density of the pure sol vent is lowered, by forming a hydrogen bond, for instance, the resulting partial mol ar volume after mixing would be larger than that determined by the size difference alone; that is, in the case of $\{2$-methoxyethanol +2 -[2-(2-ethoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol or +2 -[2-(2-butoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol $\}$ compared with that of \{2-methoxyethanol + 2-[2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanol\}. This reflects the structural changes of 2-methoxyethanol introduced by 2-[2-(2-alkoxyethoxy)ethoxy]ethanols, as supported by the behavior of $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{m}}^{\mathrm{E}}$. However, further studies are required to confirm this postulate.

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