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## Viscosity and Density Measurements for Six Binary Mixtures of Water (Methanol or Ethanol) with an Ionic Liquid ([BMIM][DMP] or [EMIM][DMP]) at Atmospheric Pressure in the Temperature Range of (293.15 to 333.15) K

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Supporting Information

**ABSTRACT:** The experimental data of viscosity and density for six binary mixtures of water (methanol or ethanol) with an ionic liquid, 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium dimethylphosphate ([BMIM][DMP]) or 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium dimethylphosphate ([EMIM][DMP]), were measured in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K at atmospheric pressure using a viscometer and densimeter. The solution behavior of the mixtures is discussed in terms of the variation of the excess viscosity and excess volume with temperatures and compositions. It is found that both excess volume and viscosity of the mixtures studied show a negative deviation from the ideal solution behavior, and the viscosity of the mixtures decreases drastically with the increase of temperatures and mole fractions of solvents. The excess volume of the binary mixtures is quite low, in the range of  $(1.0 \text{ to } 1.9) \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ ; moreover, it shows a monotonic decrease with increasing temperature for the aqueous solution of ILs and a reverse trend for the IL solutions of methanol or ethanol at any concentrations.

## INTRODUCTION

Ionic liquids (ILs), as a hybrid of neutral and ionic entities, show some unique properties, like negligible volatility, good conductivity and stability, and high solvating capacity for polar and nonpolar compounds, and are deemed as a potential greener solvent for many reactions and separation processes. For example, ILs might be applicable in the extractive desulfurization of fuel oils<sup>1,2</sup> and in extractive distillation of some mixtures with close boiling points or azeotropes<sup>3,4</sup> depending on the task and specific constituents of ILs. From the application point of view, it is necessary to know the physical and thermodynamic properties of ILs and their mixtures with other solvents, for example, density and viscosity, for the process design. From the academic point of view, the physical and thermodynamic data are also crucial in understanding the structure-property relationship of ILs and the interaction between different ILs and solvents, in developing thermodynamic models,<sup>5</sup> and accordingly guiding the design of a task-specific ILs for different purposes.

By far, many experimental data of density and viscosity of pure ILs have been reported and documented in some recent reviews;<sup>6,7</sup> however, the same property data for the IL-containing mixtures are quite scarce in comparison with the huge amount of IL species and possible combination approaches with different solvents. In our group, a series of vapor—liquid equilibrium data have been measured for water—methanol—ethanol systems containing an imidazolium-based ILs with a dialkylphosphate anion, for example, [MMIM][DMP], [EMIM][DEP], [BMIM][DBP], and [EEIM][DEP],<sup>8–10</sup> aimed to find an appropriate entrainer for the efficient separation of ethanol—water solution. It is found that some of these ILs have a profound salting-out effect and can

even break the azeotropic phenomena of the ethanol—water mixture at a specified IL-content and facilitate the distillation separation. To our understanding, these halogen-free ILs are of potential applicability and are superior to others in terms of their ease of production, cheapness, negligent corrosiveness to the steel, and miscibility to all components in the whole concentration range. In this work, we measured the viscosity and density of six binary mixtures of water (methanol or ethanol) with an IL [EMIM][DMP] or [BMIM][DMP] at atmospheric pressure in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K. The experimental data were correlated as a function of temperature and composition by two different equations, and the solution behavior of these ILcontaining mixtures were discussed in terms of the variation of excess viscosity and molar volume with temperature, composition, and the characteristics of pure components.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

**Chemicals.** The chemicals used for synthesizing ILs [EMIM][DMP] and [BMIM][DMP] are 1-ethylimidazole and 1-butylimidazole ( $\geq$  99.5 wt %, Zhejiang Kaile Reagents Company, China), trimethylphosphate ( $\geq$  99.5 wt %, Tianjin Guangfu Reagents Company, China), and ether ( $\geq$  99.5 wt. %, Beijing Yili Reagents Company, China), which were used as received. The solvents of methanol and ethanol were supplied by Beijing Chemical Plant with nominal purity above 99.7 wt %, and the

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|  |                  | viscosity at the following temperatures, <i>T</i> (K) |         |         |         |         |         |        |        |  |  |  |  |
|--|------------------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| component                              | 293.15           | 298.15  | 303.15  | 308.15  | 313.15  | 318.15  | 323.15  | 328.15 | 333.15 |  |  |  |  |
| methanol                               | 0.568            | 0.532   | 0.501   | 0.473   | 0.448   | 0.426   | 0.406   | 0.387  | 0.371  |  |  |  |  |
| water                                  | 1.004            | 0.894   | 0.801   | 0.726   | 0.656   | 0.599   | 0.554   | 0.509  | 0.470  |  |  |  |  |
| ethanol                                | 1.141            | 1.037   | 0.946   | 0.865   | 0.793   | 0.730   | 0.673   | 0.622  | 0.576  |  |  |  |  |
| [EMIM][DMP]                            | 378.818          | 269.872   | 198.129 | 149.210 | 114.940 | 90.274  | 72.229  | 58.733 | 48.503 |  |  |  |  |
| [BMIM][DMP]                            | 830 <sup>a</sup> | 584.740   | 409.881 | 293.976 | 216.260 | 162.610 | 124.607 | 97.376 | 77.252 |  |  |  |  |
| <sup><i>a</i></sup> Obtained by extrar | olation.         |   |         |         |         |         |         |        |        |  |  |  |  |

Table 1. Viscosity,  $\eta$  (mPa · s), Data of the Pure Components at Different Temperatures in Kelvin

quality of water was Milli-Q as determined by the Karl Fisher titrator (type CBS-1A). The alcohols used were degassed ultrasonically and dried by the activated fresh molecular sieves of type 4 Å (Union Carbide). The ILs [EMIM][DMP] and [BMIM][DMP] were prepared and purified in the laboratory according to the method described in the literature,<sup>11</sup> and their purities in mole fraction were better than 99% as determined by the NMR analysis and verified by the elemental analysis (type vario EL, Elementar Analysensysteme GmbH, Germany) (see the Supporting Information).

**Viscosity Measurement.** The viscosities of pure ILs and their binary mixtures with water (methanol or ethanol) at different temperatures were measured using the AMVn automated micro viscometer (Anton Paar Co. Ltd., Austria). The binary mixtures with different mole fractions of ILs were prepared by weighing with an electronic balance (type AR 2130, Ohaus Co. Ltd., USA) with a mass precision of  $\pm$  0.001 g. The nominal uncertainty of the experimental viscosity is less than  $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  mPa·s, and the precision of the temperature is less than 0.05 K. The viscometer was calibrated by measuring the viscosity of pure water at different temperatures, and the comparative results are listed in Table S1 (see the Supporting Information), showing that the maximum uncertainty is within  $\pm$  0.005 mPa·s.

**Density Measurement.** Density data in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K were measured for the same samples as that for the viscosity measurement by means of the digital vibrating tube densimeter (DMA 4500M, Anton Paar Co. Ltd., Austria). The uncertainty of the density measurement is  $\pm 1 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ , and the temperature precision is  $\pm 0.01 \text{ K}$ . The accuracy of the density data were verified by comparing the experimental data of water at different temperatures with the reference data,<sup>12</sup> as shown in Table S2 (see the Supporting Information), indicating that the measurement accuracy is about  $\pm 0.0002 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ .

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

**Viscosity of Pure Components.** The viscosity data of pure components, namely, water, methanol, ethanol, [EMIM][DMP], and [BMIM][DMP], at atmospheric pressure were measured in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K and are presented in Table 1. As shown in Table 1, the viscosities of the ILs studied here are much higher, varying from hundreds to thousands of times, than that of the molecular solvents, and follows the order of [BMIM][DMP] > [EMIM][DMP]  $\gg$  ethanol > water > methanol at any temperatures. The viscosity of [BMIM][DMP] at 293.15 K is too high to be measurable by the present viscometer and is estimated as 830 mPa·s by the extrapolation method using the experimental data at other temperatures and

# Table 2. Viscosity, $\eta$ (mPa · s), Data for Six Binary Mixtures at Different Temperatures and Mole Fractions of ILs

|                | viscosity at the following temperatures, $T(K)$ |        |        |        |        |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| $x_{\rm IL}$ 2 | 293.15  | 298.15 | 303.15 | 308.15 | 313.15 | 318.15 323.15 328.15 333.15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### [EMIM][DMP]+Water

 0.201
 32.348
 25.472
 20.436
 16.677
 13.810
 11.571
 9.812
 8.405
 7.264

 0.400
 98.623
 74.531
 57.701
 45.445
 36.431
 29.685
 24.551
 20.584
 17.462

 0.601
 194.918
 143.368
 108.108
 83.534
 65.745
 52.726
 42.988
 35.565
 29.812

 0.802
 292.343
 211.807
 157.392
 119.676
 93.005
 73.709
 59.374
 48.609
 40.334

#### [BMIM][DMP] + Water

0.201 39.936 30.676 24.165 19.421 15.814 13.13611.047 9.371 8.037 0.399 148.336 108.497 81.588 62.544 48.934 39.047 31.670 26.046 21.688 0.602 356.366 250.809 181.569 134.707 101.957 78.841 62.069 49.685 40.404 0.799 593.811 409.699 290.737 211.596 157.545 119.723 92.692 73.115 58.548

#### [EMIM][DMP] + Methanol

 0.201
 5.308
 4.769
 4.309
 3.911
 3.566
 3.265
 2.998
 2.763
 2.555

 0.402
 24.323
 20.624
 17.641
 15.256
 13.281
 11.668
 10.298
 9.132
 8.188

 0.601
 77.923
 61.738
 49.686
 40.719
 33.843
 28.412
 2.421
 20.815
 18.062

 0.802
 197.568
 147.795
 112.671
 88.009
 70.158
 56.83446.728
 39.023
 32.965

#### [BMIM][DMP] + Methanol

 0.200
 7.184
 6.267
 5.536
 4.924
 4.401
 3.972
 3.665
 3.338
 3.051

 0.400
 38.581
 31.585
 26.194
 21.992
 18.594
 15.94413.78311.98710.477

 0.596150.124113.293
 87.517
 68.693
 54.857
 44.36736.48830.36925.512

 0.797394.706281.661206.282154.422117.922
 91.50772.46858.30147.598

#### [EMIM][DMP] + Ethanol

 0.202
 6.898
 6.127
 5.471
 4.904
 4.425
 4.004
 3.634
 3.318
 3.037

 0.402
 27.628
 23.295
 19.834
 17.054
 14.796
 12.92211.36410.044
 8.951

 0.602
 87.272
 68.828
 55.237
 44.999
 37.369
 31.25226.44422.64319.564

 0.801
 190.592142.736109.485
 85.764
 68.426
 55.53145.747 38.213 32.266

## [BMIM][DMP] + Ethanol

| 0.200  | 8.842    | 7.704    | 6.718   | 5.933   | 5.272   | 4.711  | 4.227  | 3.811  | 3.454  |
|--------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0.400  | 42.079   | 34.296   | 28.176  | 23.565  | 19.869  | 16.973 | 14.589 | 12.661 | 11.058 |
| 0.601  | 150.932  | 114.441  | 88.926  | 69.864  | 55.652  | 45.202 | 37.082 | 30.893 | 25.945 |
| 0.7993 | 396.0082 | 283.6342 | 210.325 | 155.712 | 118.991 | 92.659 | 73.322 | 59.057 | 48.159 |

the overall variation trend of viscosity with temperature. The high viscosity of IL may be dominated by the "ionic" attributes of the liquid and the strong Coulombic interaction among different ions and ionic clusters. The migration of an IL entity, or an ionic pair, in the liquid will be strongly pulled by the surrounding ionic spheres with equal but opposite charge and thus shows a strong



Figure 1. Experimental and correlative viscosity for the binary mixture of [EMIM][DMP] and methanol at different temperatures and mole fractions of IL: ■, 0; □, 0.201; ▲, 0.402; △, 0.601; ●, 0.802; ○, 1; —, calculated values from eq 1.



**Figure 2.** Plot of  $\ln(\eta/mPa \cdot s)$  against 1/(T/K) for the same data sets and legends as noted in Figure 1.

drag force for the movement, resulting in a high viscosity. Besides, the viscosity of the pure IL decreases drastically with the increasing temperature, for example, the viscosity of [EMIM][DMP] decreases 87 %, that is, from 378.818 mPa·s at 293.15 K to 48.503 mPa ·s at 333.15 K, while the viscosity of methanol decreases least, being only 34 % in the same temperature range. Thus the viscosity of IL is more sensitive to temperature than the conventional molecular solvents.

Viscosity Correlation for the Binary Mixtures. The viscosity data for the IL-containing binary mixtures at the mole fraction of ILs,  $x_{II}$ , being about 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, and 0.8, were measured at the same pressure and temperature as that for pure components and are presented in Table 2. To show the variation of the viscosity of a binary mixture with the IL content and temperature, the experimental data were plotted for different binary systems. It is found that all of the binary systems follow the same variation pattern. As a representative, the experimental viscosity data for the binary mixture of [EMIM][DMP] and methanol in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K are presented in Figures 1 and 2, respectively, in terms of different scales, namely,  $\eta$  versus T and ln( $\eta$ /mPa·s) against 1/(T/K). As shown in Figure 1, the viscosity of pure IL [EMIM][DMP] at lower temperature, for example, 293.15 K, is much higher than that of methanol, and the viscosity of the binary mixture decreases drastically with the decrease of the IL content at the same temperature. For example, the viscosity varies from 378.818 mPa·s for the pure IL to 77.923 mPa·s for the binary mixture at ARTICLE

mole fraction of IL being 0.601, indicating that the viscosity of [EMIM][DMP] can decrease about 80 % by adding only 8.3 wt % of methanol to it. The drastic decrease of viscosity of the mixture by the addition of molecular solvent like methanol may be attributed to the following facts. First, the molecular solvent has a much lower viscosity than the pure IL, which reduces the bulk viscosity of the binary mixture greatly due to the diluting effect. Second, the dielectric behavior of the solvent can reduce the Coulomb interaction between ions to only a few percent of that in a pure IL state, considering that the Coulomb interaction in a pure IL is free of dielectrics (D = 1), while in a binary mixture the dielectric constant (D) is quite high, ranging from 25.7 for ethanol to 78.2 for water at 293.15 K. Third, the ions are largely separated by the dissolved solvent molecules and thus reduce the Coulomb interaction and increase the fluidity of the liquid mixture.

As shown in Figure 2, at a fixed composition of the binary mixtures, the  $\ln(\eta/mPa \cdot s)$  values always decrease linearly with increasing temperatures, which is consistent with the Eyring kinetic equation

$$\eta = \eta_{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{E_{\rm a}}{RT}\right) \tag{1}$$

where  $\eta_{\infty}$  is the viscosity at infinite temperature.  $E_{a}$  is the activation energy of the solution and is related to the temperature and composition of the binary system. Considering the good linearity of  $\ln(\eta/mPa \cdot s)$  against 1/(T/K) and the regular variation of viscosity with composition in the whole concentration range, the viscosity data listed in Tables 1 and 2 were correlated together with the following equations for the activation energy and  $\eta_{\infty}$ .<sup>13</sup>

$$E_{a} = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \left( A_{i} + \frac{B_{i}}{T} \right) x_{\mathrm{IL}}^{i-1}$$
(2)

$$\eta_{\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^{2} C_{i} x_{\rm IL}^{i-1} \tag{3}$$

where  $x_{IL}$  is the mole fraction of IL.  $A_i$ ,  $B_i$ , and  $C_i$  are regression parameters determined by the least-squares method. Table 3 lists the regressed parameters along with the average absolute relative deviations (ARD) between the experimental and the correlated values for each of binary systems.

Excess Viscosity. An excess property is a good indicator to reflect the deviation of a real solution to the ideal mixture. The excess viscosity of the solution,  $\eta^{\rm E}$ , is defined by eq 4:

$$\eta^{\rm E} = \eta_{\rm mix} - x_{\rm IL} \eta_{\rm IL} - x_{\rm S} \eta_{\rm S} \tag{4}$$

where  $\eta_{\rm IL},\,\eta_{\rm S}$  , and  $\eta_{\rm mix}$  refer to the viscosity of pure IL, solvent, and the binary mixture, respectively.  $x_{IL}$  and  $x_S$  refer to the mole fraction of IL and solvent, respectively. To analyze the solution behavior, the experimental excess viscosity at different temperatures and compositions were plotted for all the binary mixtures studied and found that they all follow a very similar pattern. As representative examples, Figures 3 and 4 present the plots of excess viscosity for the binary mixtures of ([BMIM][DMP] + methanol) and ([BMIM][DMP] + water), respectively. It is found that all of the binary mixtures studied here show a negative deviation from the ideal solution behavior and have a low-water mark, as indicated by the negative excess viscosities over the whole temperature and concentration ranges. The excess

| correlation results                                 | IL + solvent binary systems |                          |                          |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| IL = [EMIM][DMP]                                    | IL + water                  | IL + methanol            | IL + ethanol             |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_1$   | $-3.8614 \cdot 10^4$        | $-2.8576 \cdot 10^4$     | $-2.2986 \cdot 10^4$     |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_2$   | $-4.5725 \cdot 10^4$        | $-9.3071 \cdot 10^3$     | $3.1757 \cdot 10^3$      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_3$   | $2.7644 \cdot 10^4$         | $-7.8919 \cdot 10^{3}$   | $-1.6393 \cdot 10^4$     |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_1$   | $8.6677 \cdot 10^{6}$       | $5.7321 \cdot 10^{6}$    | $5.6154 \cdot 10^{6}$    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_2$   | $1.6273 \cdot 10^{7}$       | $7.1587 \cdot 10^{6}$    | $3.1172 \cdot 10^{6}$    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_3$   | $-9.7957 \cdot 10^{6}$      | 8.0633 · 10 <sup>5</sup> | $3.5046 \cdot 10^{6}$    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_1$   | 43.3320                     | 22.9690                  | 5.4561                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>                               | $2.7814 \cdot 10^3$         | $2.3129 \cdot 10^2$      | 32.6850                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $ARD^{a}$   | 2.19 %                      | 1.03 %                   | 1.96 %                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| IL = [BMIM][DMP]                                    | IL + water                  | IL + methanol            | IL + ethanol             |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_1$   | $-3.1454 \cdot 10^4$        | $-3.0027 \cdot 10^4$     | $-2.1625 \cdot 10^4$     |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_2$   | $-5.5025 \cdot 10^4$        | $-1.9675 \cdot 10^4$     | $-6.7902 \cdot 10^3$     |  |  |  |  |  |
| $A_3$   | $3.3567 \cdot 10^4$         | $-2.0837 \cdot 10^{3}$   | $-1.0801 \cdot 10^4$     |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_1$   | $7.5169 \cdot 10^{6}$       | $5.9568 \cdot 10^{6}$    | 5.4089 · 10 <sup>6</sup> |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>B</i> <sub>2</sub>                               | $1.9980\cdot10^7$           | $1.1003 \cdot 10^{7}$    | 6.6933 • 10 <sup>6</sup> |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_3$   | $-1.1909 \cdot 10^{7}$      | $-1.2063 \cdot 10^{6}$   | $1.7271 \cdot 10^{6}$    |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C_1$   | 11.3950                     | 30.4290                  | 4.1743                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>                               | $7.0156 \cdot 10^2$         | $3.5098 \cdot 10^2$      | 28.4340                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ARD   | 2.14 %                      | 1.35 %                   | 1.29 %                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup>a</sup> ARD = $(1/n)\sum_{i=1}^{n}  n_{col} /$ | $n_{\rm over} - 1.0$ .      |                          |                          |  |  |  |  |  |

 Table 3. Regressed Parameters of Equations 2 and 3 along

 with the Deviation in ARD for the Six Binary Systems Studied



**Figure 3.** Relationship between  $x_{IL}$  and  $\eta^E$  for [BMIM][DMP] + methanol binary mixtures at different temperatures:  $\blacksquare$ , 298.15 K;  $\Box$ , 303.15 K;  $\blacktriangle$ , 308.15 K;  $\triangle$ , 313.15 K;  $\blacklozenge$ , 318.15 K;  $\bigcirc$ , 323.15 K;  $\diamondsuit$ , 328.15 K;  $\diamond$ , 333.15 K.

viscosity  $\eta^{\text{E}}$  for the binary mixtures of IL plus methanol or ethanol are much higher than that of IL aqueous solution at any specific temperature, which cannot be explained by the small difference of viscosity of pure solvents ranging only from 0.53 to 1.04 at 298.15 K, and they all decrease with increasing temperature. In contrast, the difference of excess viscosity for (IL + methanol) and (IL + ethanol) mixtures is negligible for a specified IL, as manifested by Figure 5 for the IL [EMIM][DMP].

The results suggest that methanol or ethanol has a stronger ability to decrease the electrostatic interactions among ions or ionic clusters in the IL binary mixtures, leading to a much lower viscosity and larger deviation from the ideal solution behavior. This phenomenon can be explained by the larger separating ability of methanol or ethanol for the ionic species due to its



**Figure 4.** Relationship between  $x_{IL}$  and  $\eta^E$  for [BMIM][DMP] + water binary mixtures at different temperatures: **•**, 298.15 K; **□**, 303.15 K; **△**, 308.15 K; **△**, 313.15 K; **●**, 318.15 K; **○**, 323.15 K; **♦**, 328.15 K; **◊**, 333.15 K.



**Figure 5.** Excess viscosity,  $\eta^{\text{E}}$ , for three binary mixtures at 298.15 K: **.**, [EMIM][DMP] + water;  $\bigcirc$ , [EMIM][DMP] + methanol;  $\blacktriangle$ , [EMIM][DMP] + ethanol.

larger molecule size, rather than the difference of dielectric behavior of different solvents.

Density of Pure Components. For the internal consistency and completeness of the experimental data, the densities of the pure components at atmospheric pressure in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K were also measured and are presented in Table 4. It is observed that the density of the pure components studied here follows the order of [EMIM][DMP] > [BMIM][DMP] > water > ethanol  $\approx$  methanol at any temperature, and the volume expansivity calculated by  $\alpha = 1/V(\partial V/\partial T)_{\rm P} =$  $-(\partial \ln \rho/\partial T)_{\rm P}$  for pure components at 293.15 K follows the order of methanol  $(1.24 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ K}^{-1})$  > ethanol  $(1.15 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ K}^{-1})$ [BMIM][DMP] (5.70 · 10<sup>-4</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>) > [EMIM][DMP]>  $(5.56 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ K}^{-1})$  > water  $(2.59 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ K}^{-1})$ . The higher density and lower expansivity of ILs may be attributed to the presence of electrostatic interaction among ionic species in an IL. In comparison with [BMIM][DMP], the IL [EMIM][DMP] has a little higher density, which is likely due to the stronger electrostatic interaction between the smaller cation [EMIM]<sup>+</sup> and the anion [DMP]<sup>-</sup>, albeit the cation [BMIM]<sup>+</sup> has a higher dispersion energy due to its longer alkyl substitute.

**Density Correlation for the Binary Mixtures.** The density data for the IL-containing binary mixtures at the mole fraction of IL,  $x_{IL}$ , being about 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, and 0.8, were measured at the same pressure and temperature as that for the pure components

| Table 4.  | Density I | Data Me | easured t | for the I | Pure C | omponen | ts at At | mospheri | c Pressur | e in the | Temperature | Range of | (293.15 to |
|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|--------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------|----------|------------|
| 333.15) F | ζ,        |         |           |           |        | -       |          | -        |           |          | -           | e        |            |

|             | density $ ho \; ({ m g} \cdot { m cm}^{-3})$ at the following temperatures, $T \; ({ m K})$ |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|-------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| component   | 293.15  | 298.15 | 303.15 | 308.15 | 313.15 | 318.15 | 323.15 | 328.15 | 333.15 |  |  |  |
| ethanol     | 0.7901  | 0.7858 | 0.7815 | 0.7772 | 0.7728 | 0.7683 | 0.7639 | 0.7593 | 0.7547 |  |  |  |
| methanol    | 0.7913  | 0.7866 | 0.7818 | 0.7771 | 0.7723 | 0.7675 | 0.7626 | 0.7577 | 0.7528 |  |  |  |
| water       | 0.9982  | 0.9971 | 0.9957 | 0.9940 | 0.9922 | 0.9902 | 0.9881 | 0.9857 | 0.9831 |  |  |  |
| [BMIM][DMP] | 1.1653  | 1.1619 | 1.1586 | 1.1553 | 1.1520 | 1.1488 | 1.1455 | 1.1422 | 1.1390 |  |  |  |
| [EMIM][DMP] | 1.2234  | 1.2200 | 1.2166 | 1.2132 | 1.2098 | 1.2065 | 1.2031 | 1.1998 | 1.1965 |  |  |  |

## Table 5. Density Data Measured for Six Binary Mixtures at Atmospheric Pressure and Different Temperatures and Mole Fractions of ILs

|                     |        | density $ ho ~(	extbf{g} \cdot 	extbf{cm}^{-3})$ at the following temperatures, $T~(	extbf{K})$ |        |         |           |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--------|---|--------|---------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| $x_{\rm IL}$        | 293.15 | 298.15  | 303.15 | 308.15  | 313.15    | 318.15 | 323.15 | 328.15 | 333.15 |  |  |  |
| [EMIM][DMP] + Water |        |   |        |         |           |        |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.201               | 1.1950 | 1.1914  | 1.1877 | 1.1840  | 1.1802    | 1.1765 | 1.1727 | 1.1688 | 1.1650 |  |  |  |
| 0.400               | 1.2179 | 1.2144  | 1.2110 | 1.2075  | 1.2041    | 1.2006 | 1.1971 | 1.1936 | 1.1901 |  |  |  |
| 0.601               | 1.2226 | 1.2192  | 1.2159 | 1.2125  | 1.2091    | 1.2057 | 1.2024 | 1.1990 | 1.1956 |  |  |  |
| 0.802               | 1.2233 | 1.2200  | 1.2166 | 1.2132  | 1.2099    | 1.2065 | 1.2032 | 1.1999 | 1.1965 |  |  |  |
|                     |        |   | [BN    | MIM][D  | MP]+V     | Vater  |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.201               | 1.1488 | 1.1452  | 1.1416 | 1.1379  | 1.1341    | 1.1303 | 1.1266 | 1.1228 | 1.1189 |  |  |  |
| 0.399               | 1.1629 | 1.1594  | 1.1560 | 1.1525  | 1.1490    | 1.1455 | 1.1420 | 1.1385 | 1.1351 |  |  |  |
| 0.602               | 1.1657 | 1.1624  | 1.1591 | 1.1557  | 1.1524    | 1.1490 | 1.1457 | 1.1423 | 1.1390 |  |  |  |
| 0.799               | 1.1657 | 1.1624  | 1.1591 | 1.1559  | 1.1525    | 1.1492 | 1.1459 | 1.1426 | 1.1393 |  |  |  |
|                     |        |   | [EMI   | M][DM   | [P] + Me  | thanol |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.201               | 1.0491 | 1.0453  | 1.0414 | 1.0376  | 1.0338    | 1.0299 | 1.0261 | 1.0223 | 1.0185 |  |  |  |
| 0.402               | 1.1349 | 1.1313  | 1.1276 | 1.1238  | 1.1202    | 1.1164 | 1.1126 | 1.1088 | 1.1050 |  |  |  |
| 0.601               | 1.1791 | 1.1756  | 1.1721 | 1.1686  | 1.1652    | 1.1617 | 1.1583 | 1.1549 | 1.1514 |  |  |  |
| 0.802               | 1.2071 | 1.2037  | 1.2002 | 1.1968  | 1.1934    | 1.1900 | 1.1866 | 1.1833 | 1.1800 |  |  |  |
|                     |        |   | [BM]   | IM][DM  | [P] + Me  | thanol |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.200               | 1.0268 | 1.0229  | 1.0190 | 1.0155  | 1.0118    | 1.0080 | 1.0042 | 1.0005 | 0.9967 |  |  |  |
| 0.400               | 1.0982 | 1.0946  | 1.0911 | 1.0875  | 1.0839    | 1.0804 | 1.0768 | 1.0731 | 1.0693 |  |  |  |
| 0.596               | 1.1325 | 1.1291  | 1.1257 | 1.1223  | 1.1189    | 1.1155 | 1.1121 | 1.1087 | 1.1054 |  |  |  |
| 0.797               | 1.1523 | 1.1490  | 1.1456 | 1.1423  | 1.1390    | 1.1356 | 1.1323 | 1.1290 | 1.1257 |  |  |  |
|                     |        |   | [EM    | IIM][DN | /IP]+Et   | hanol  |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.202               | 0.9988 | 0.9950  | 0.9912 | 0.9875  | 0.9837    | 0.9799 | 0.9761 | 0.9723 | 0.9686 |  |  |  |
| 0.402               | 1.0989 | 1.0953  | 1.0917 | 1.0881  | 1.0845    | 1.0810 | 1.0774 | 1.0738 | 1.0703 |  |  |  |
| 0.602               | 1.1582 | 1.1547  | 1.1512 | 1.1477  | 1.1442    | 1.1408 | 1.1373 | 1.1339 | 1.1305 |  |  |  |
| 0.801               | 1.1961 | 1.1927  | 1.1892 | 1.1858  | 1.1824    | 1.1790 | 1.1756 | 1.1723 | 1.1689 |  |  |  |
|                     |        |   | [BM    | IIM][DN | /IP] + Et | hanol  |        |        |        |  |  |  |
| 0.200               | 0.9863 | 0.9826  | 0.9788 | 0.9751  | 0.9714    | 0.9677 | 0.9640 | 0.9602 | 0.9565 |  |  |  |
| 0.400               | 1.0690 | 1.0655  | 1.0619 | 1.0584  | 1.0549    | 1.0514 | 1.0479 | 1.0443 | 1.0408 |  |  |  |
| 0.601               | 1.1149 | 1.1115  | 1.1080 | 1.1046  | 1.1012    | 1.0978 | 1.0944 | 1.0910 | 1.0876 |  |  |  |
| 0.799               | 1.1447 | 1.1414  | 1.1381 | 1.1348  | 1.1314    | 1.1281 | 1.1248 | 1.1215 | 1.1182 |  |  |  |

and are presented in Table 5. The overall variation trend of the density with temperature and IL content for a binary mixture is presented in Figure 6, by taking the mixture of ([EMIM][DMP] + methanol) as an illustrative example. As shown in the figure, the densities of a mixture are always between that of the constituting pure components, that is,  $\rho_{IL} > \rho_{mixture} > \rho_{solvent}$  decrease slightly in a linear way with the increasing temperature and increase rapidly with the IL content. In contrast to viscosity, density is much less sensitive to temperature.

In view of the linear variation with temperature and complex variation with IL content of the density for a binary mixture, the experimental data listed in Tables 4 and 5 are correlated with the



**Figure 6.** Experimental and correlative density of  $[EMIM][DMP] + methanol binary mixtures at different temperatures and mole fractions of IL: <math>\blacksquare$ , 0;  $\Box$ , 0.201;  $\blacktriangle$ , 0.402;  $\triangle$ , 0.601;  $\blacklozenge$ , 0.802;  $\bigcirc$ , 1; —, calculated values from eq 5.

following equations.<sup>14</sup>

$$\mathbf{o} = \alpha + \beta \cdot T \tag{5}$$

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^{5} a_i x_{\rm IL}^{i-1} \tag{6}$$

$$\beta = \sum_{i=1}^{5} b_i x_{\rm IL}^{i-1} \tag{7}$$

where  $\rho$  is the density in g  $\cdot$  cm<sup>-3</sup>, *T* is the absolute temperature in K,  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are the regression parameters, and  $x_{\rm IL}$  is the mole fraction of IL. The regression parameters for each binary system were determined by the least-squares method and are listed in Table 6 along with the average absolute relative deviations (ARDs) of the correlation. It is showed that the experimental data of the density for all binary systems studied in the whole concentration range and in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K can be correlated satisfactorily.

**Excess Molar Volume for the Binary Mixtures.** The excess molar volume,  $V_{m}^{E}$  is an important thermodynamic property to represent the nonideality of a solution, which is defined as the difference of the molar volume between the real mixture and an ideal solution at the same temperature, pressure, and composition, that is,

$$V_{\rm m}^{\rm E} = V_{\rm m} - V_{\rm m, id} \tag{8}$$

where the molar volume of the binary mixture,  $V_{\rm m}$ , and the molar volume for the same solution but at an ideal solution assumption,

Table 6. Parameters for the Correlation of Equations 5 to 7

| correlation results  | IL + solvent binary systems |                         |                         |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| IL = [EMIM][DMP]   | IL + water                  | IL + methanol           | IL + ethanol            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $a_1$  | 1.1107                      | 1.0732                  | 1.0500                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>2</sub>  | 2.7534                      | 1.4644                  | 1.1363                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>3</sub>  | -8.0114                     | -2.8003                 | -1.7272                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>4</sub>  | 9.3644                      | 2.5716                  | 1.4540                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>5</sub>  | -3.7976                     | -0.8883                 | -0.4928                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_1$  | $-3.7941 \cdot 10^{-4}$     | $-9.6078 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $-8.8550 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_2$  | $-3.6928 \cdot 10^{-3}$     | $1.6532 \cdot 10^{-3}$  | $9.8792 \cdot 10^{-4}$  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_3$  | $1.2141 \cdot 10^{-2}$      | $-4.6144 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $-2.1330 \cdot 10^{-3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_4$  | $-1.5011 \cdot 10^{-2}$     | $5.7615 \cdot 10^{-3}$  | $2.1812 \cdot 10^{-3}$  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_5$  | $6.2714 \cdot 10^{-3}$      | $-2.5135 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $-8.2315 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $ARD^{a}$  | 0.21 %                      | 0.16 %                  | 0.07 %                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IL = [BMIM][DMP]   | IL + water                  | IL + methanol           | IL + ethanol            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $a_1$  | 1.1112                      | 1.0729                  | 1.0497                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>2</sub>  | 2.3303                      | 1.3159                  | 1.0953                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>3</sub>  | -6.8405                     | -2.7117                 | -1.9386                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $a_4$  | 7.9832                      | 2.6265                  | 1.7974                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>a</i> <sub>5</sub>  | -3.2271                     | -0.9458                 | -0.6463                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_1$  | $-3.8098 \cdot 10^{-4}$     | $-9.5968 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $-8.8448 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_2$  | $-3.5480 \cdot 10^{-3}$     | $1.7039 \cdot 10^{-3}$  | $1.0785 \cdot 10^{-3}$  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_3$  | $1.1374 \cdot 10^{-2}$      | $-4.3955 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $-2.4194 \cdot 10^{-3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_4$  | $-1.3749 \cdot 10^{-2}$     | $5.1304 \cdot 10^{-3}$  | $2.5624 \cdot 10^{-3}$  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $b_5$  | $5.6486 \cdot 10^{-3}$      | $-2.1371 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $-9.9369 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| ARD  | 0.19 %                      | 0.18 %                  | 0.08 %                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <sup><i>i</i></sup> ARD = $(1/n)\Sigma_{i=1}^{n} \rho_{\text{cal}} $ | $ \rho_{\rm exp} - 1.0 .$   |                         |                         |  |  |  |  |  |

 $V_{\rm m,id}$  can be calculated as follows:

$$V_{\rm m} = \frac{x_{\rm IL}M_{\rm IL} + x_{\rm S}M_{\rm S}}{\rho_{\rm mix}} \tag{9}$$

$$V_{\rm m,id} = \frac{x_{\rm IL}M_{\rm IL}}{\rho_{\rm IL}} + \frac{x_{\rm S}M_{\rm S}}{\rho_{\rm S}} \tag{10}$$

where  $M_{\rm S}$  and  $M_{\rm IL}$  are the mole masses of solvent and IL, respectively.  $x_{\rm S}$  and  $x_{\rm IL}$  represent the mole fractions of solvent and IL, respectively.  $\rho_{\rm s}$ ,  $\rho_{\rm IL}$ , and  $\rho_{\rm mix}$  refer to the densities of solvent, IL, and the mixed solution, respectively.

Figure 7 shows the molar volumes of the mixtures at 298.15 K against the mole fractions of IL for the six binary mixtures studied. It is obvious that the molar volumes of all mixtures increase linearly with the mole fractions of IL, with the linear correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ) being about 0.99. The results suggest that all of the binary mixtures studied here are close to the ideal solution behavior and thus their densities can be estimated accurately from the point of view of industrial application.

Based on the experimental data of density, as listed in Tables 4 and 5 and eqs 8 to 10, the excess molar volume for the binary mixtures studied was calculated at different conditions. As an example, a plot of excess molar volume against the mole fraction of IL at different temperatures for the aqueous solution of [BMIM][DMP] is presented in Figure 8. The results show that the excess volumes are negative for each system studied at any temperature and concentration, indicating a negative deviation from the ideal solution behavior. The excess volume is relatively low being in the range of (1.0 to 1.9) cm<sup>3</sup>·mol<sup>-1</sup> for all of the



Figure 7. Molar volume versus mole fraction of IL for the binary mixtures at 298.15 K: ○, [BMIM][DMP] + ethanol; △, [BMIM][DMP] + methanol; □, [BMIM][DMP] + water; ●, [EMIM][DMP] + ethanol; ▲, [EMIM][DMP] + methanol; ■, [EMIM][DMP] + water.



**Figure 8.** *V*<sup>E</sup> versus  $x_{IL}$  for the Aqueous Solution of [BMIM][DMP] at different temperatures: **■**, 293.15 K; **□**, 298.15 K; **▲**, 303.15 K; **△**, 308.15 K; **●**, 313.15 K; **○**, 318.15 K; **♦**, 323.15 K; **♦**, 328.15 K; **▼**, 333.15 K.



**Figure 9.** Compared results of  $V^{\text{E}}$  versus  $x_{\text{IL}}$  for the binary system IL + methanol at different temperatures: **a**, 298.15 K;  $\triangle$ , 323.15 K. Legend: - -, [BMIM][DMP], this work; -, [BMIM][PF<sub>6</sub>], taken from ref 15.

binary mixtures studied and reaches the maximum at the mole fraction of IL being around 0.3. Moreover, the excess volumes decrease as the temperature increasing for the (IL + water) mixtures, while the (IL+ alcohol) mixtures show an opposite trend. In addition, the effect of different ILs to the excess volume has been studied. As an example, a plot of excess volume against the mole fraction of IL for the methanol solution of [BMIM][DMP] and [BMIM][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>15</sup> is shown in Figure 9. The results show that the excess volume of [BMIM][DMP] + methanol binary system is much larger than that of [BMIM][PF<sub>6</sub>] + methanol at atmospheric pressure with the same temperature

and concentration. In effect, the excess volume is a reflection of the compromising effects among molecular sizes and various interactions for a specific mixture and is dependent on the temperature and composition. The negative excess volume may be attributed to the stronger ion-dipole interaction and charge transfer complexation between IL and the solvent molecules, as well as the interstitial effect in molecular packing due to the differences in the size and shape of the component molecules, by which the volume of the liquid mixture is apt to be contracted and reaches to the maximum at  $x_{\rm IL} \approx 0.3$  for all of the systems studied.

## CONCLUSIONS

The viscosity and density data for six binary mixtures comprising of an IL, [EMIM][DMP] or [BMIM][DMP], and a solvent of water (methanol or ethanol) were measured at atmospheric pressure in the temperature range of (293.15 to 333.15) K using a viscometer and densimeter. The viscosity and density data were correlated by virtue of the Eyring equation and an empirical polynomial equation, respectively, with good accuracy. The excess viscosities and volumes are all negative in the whole temperature and concentration range studied, indicating a negative deviation from the ideality. In contrast to the monotonic decrease of the excess viscosity with increasing temperature, the variation of excess volume with temperature shows two opposite trends for the (IL + water) mixtures and the (IL + alcohol) mixtures.

## ASSOCIATED CONTENT

**Supporting Information.** Comparative results for the viscosity and density of pure water for experimental and literature values at different temperatures; experimental information; and <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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