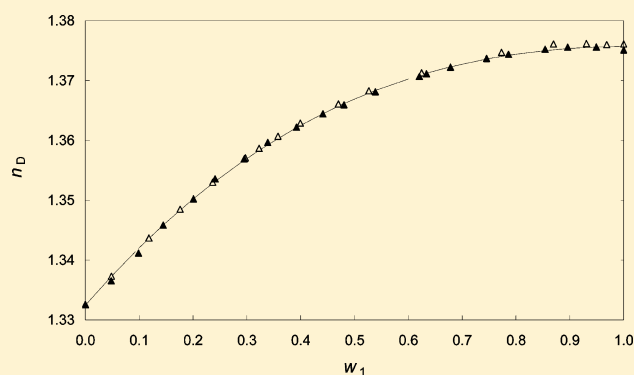


# Physical Properties of Binary and Ternary Mixtures of 2-Propanol, Water, and 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium Tetrafluoroborate Ionic Liquid

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**ABSTRACT:** Refractive indices and densities of the 2-propanol + water + 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ([bmim]-[BF<sub>4</sub>]) ternary system have been measured at 298.15 K. Physical properties of 2-propanol + water and water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] binary mixtures have also been measured at the same temperature, whereas the 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixture has been measured at 323.15 K, because the total miscibility for this mixture is achieved above this temperature. Molar volume and excess properties have been calculated from the experimental data to analyze the behavior of the mixtures. The refractive index has been correctly adjusted to a third-order polynomial expansion model, whereas density has been adjusted to a second-order equation. Excess molar volumes and refractive index deviations have been successfully fitted to the Redlich–Kister model.



## INTRODUCTION

Ionic liquids (ILs) are ionic substances formed by an organic cation and an inorganic anion with a fusion temperature lower than 373.15 K, and a large majority are liquids at ambient temperature.<sup>1</sup> These compounds have very interesting properties that give the possibility of improving processes and decreasing environmental impact. In this way, ILs have low vapor pressure as their principal property from an environmental point of view,<sup>2</sup> and they can be distilled under high vacuum conditions without stability problems.<sup>3</sup> The high-temperature interval operation supported allows applying ILs in different processes.<sup>4</sup> Hence, separation operations are technically easier and emissions are minimized with the use of these compounds. For this reason, ILs are one of the best future alternatives to volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in separation processes.<sup>5–7</sup> As a consequence, in this past decade, research about these ionic substances is increasing significantly.<sup>1</sup>

An azeotropic mixture needs a mass agent to distillate the components involved in it, and ILs are good entrainers to break azeotropes.<sup>8–24</sup> The 2-propanol + water azeotrope has been broken down using ILs as a mass separating agent.<sup>25–30</sup> 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ([bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>]) has been shown to be an effective entrainer for the 2-propanol + water mixture.<sup>27,28</sup> Several authors set physical properties as analysis in some azeotropics systems with the density and refractive index, but 2-propanol, water, and IL ternary system properties have not been measured yet.

Consequently, the aim of this work has been to measure densities and refractive indices of 2-propanol, water, and [bmim]-[BF<sub>4</sub>] ternary system and also to study the corresponding binary mixtures. Deviations from ideality have been studied

**Table 1. Comparison between Experimental and Literature Properties of Pure Substances at 298.15 K: Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Density ( $\rho$ )<sup>a</sup>**

component	$n_D$		$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	
	exptl	lit.	exptl	lit.
2-propanol	1.3751	1.37501 <sup>31</sup>	0.78082	0.78095 <sup>31</sup>
water	1.3325	1.33250 <sup>31</sup>	0.99702	0.99704 <sup>31</sup>
[bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	1.4219	1.422 <sup>32</sup>	1.20287	1.200297 <sup>33</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(n_D) = 0.0001$  and  $u(\rho) = 0.00001 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ .

with a refractive index deviation and excess molar volume to complete this work.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Anhydrous 2-propanol was supplied by Sigma–Aldrich with a mass fraction greater than 0.999 and a water content lower than 0.0005. Milli-Q water quality was used. The [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] used was supplied by Iolitec GmbH with purity higher than 0.99 in mass, its specifications being less than 0.00025 and 0.001 in water and halides, respectively. The purity of this IL was analyzed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, and the water content was also determined using the Karl Fischer titration method by the manufacturer. [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] was stored in a silica gel desiccator to avoid the alteration of its specifications. Physical properties were measured without further purifications.

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**Table 2.** Experimental Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Calculated Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ) of 2-Propanol (1) + Water (2) Mixtures at 298.15 K<sup>a</sup>

$w_1$	$n_D$	$\Delta n_D$
0.0000	1.3325	0.0000
0.0480	1.3365	0.0034
0.0987	1.3412	0.0073
0.1446	1.3458	0.0113
0.2009	1.3502	0.0147
0.2410	1.3536	0.0174
0.2951	1.3569	0.0197
0.3387	1.3597	0.0215
0.3921	1.3622	0.0228
0.4412	1.3645	0.0238
0.4805	1.3660	0.0242
0.5386	1.3681	0.0246
0.6205	1.3707	0.0242
0.6337	1.3711	0.0241
0.6782	1.3722	0.0232
0.7452	1.3737	0.0213
0.7861	1.3744	0.0195
0.8541	1.3752	0.0156
0.8959	1.3756	0.0124
0.9492	1.3756	0.0070
1.0000	1.3751	0.0000

<sup>a</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(n_D) = 0.0006$  and  $u(\Delta n_D) = 0.001$ .

**Table 3.** Experimental Density ( $\rho$ ), Calculated Molar Volume ( $V_m$ ), and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) of 2-Propanol (1) + Water (2) Mixtures at 298.15 K<sup>a</sup>

$w_1$	$\rho$	$V_m$	$V^E$
	$\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	$\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
0.0000	0.99702	18.07	0.00
0.0915	0.98205	19.60	-0.19
0.2131	0.96029	22.05	-0.44
0.3299	0.93693	25.00	-0.64
0.4795	0.90669	29.91	-0.90
0.5009	0.90131	30.79	-0.90
0.6180	0.87445	36.32	-0.99
0.6840	0.85873	40.26	-0.98
0.7874	0.83401	48.14	-0.91
0.8788	0.81199	57.68	-0.73
0.8976	0.80744	60.06	-0.67
0.9154	0.80301	62.49	-0.60
0.9311	0.79905	64.78	-0.52
0.9502	0.79422	67.78	-0.42
0.9752	0.78771	72.11	-0.24
0.9895	0.78380	74.84	-0.12
1.0000	0.78082	76.96	0.00

<sup>a</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(\rho) = 0.0005 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$  and  $u(V^E) = 0.03 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ .

Binary and ternary mixtures were prepared by mass using a Gibertini Crystal 200 precision balance with a precision of  $\pm 1\cdot 10^{-4}$  g. The uncertainty in the mass fraction of the mixtures was estimated to be less than  $\pm 1\cdot 10^{-3}$ . The handling of all mixtures was done in a glovebox filled with dry nitrogen as inert atmosphere to prevent water absorption because 2-propanol and [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] are hygroscopic substances.

Refractive indices were determined using a Rudolph Research Analytical J357 refractometer with a repeatability of  $\pm 4\cdot 10^{-5}$  and

**Table 4.** Experimental Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Density ( $\rho$ ) and Calculated Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ), Molar Volume ( $V_m$ ), and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) of Water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sup>a</sup> and 2-Propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>]<sup>b</sup> Mixtures at (298.15 and 323.15) K, Respectively

$w_1$	$n_D$	$\Delta n_D$	$\rho$	$V_m$	$V^E$
			$\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	$\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
Water (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
0.0000	1.4220	0.0000	1.20287	187.91	0.00
0.0098	1.4206	0.0085	1.19953	169.33	0.13
0.0167	1.4194	0.0131	1.19697	158.33	0.23
0.0205	1.4191	0.0157	1.19579	152.83	0.26
0.0290	1.4180	0.0204	1.19314	141.93	0.31
0.0396	1.4169	0.0254	1.18989	130.37	0.35
0.0585	1.4141	0.0313	1.18423	113.89	0.41
0.0982	1.4094	0.0391	1.17348	90.26	0.42
0.1540	1.4033	0.0435	1.15929	70.18	0.39
0.2046	1.3980	0.0444	1.14724	58.60	0.35
0.2517	1.3934	0.0437	1.13664	50.90	0.30
0.3043	1.3883	0.0421	1.12512	44.51	0.26
0.3966	1.3801	0.0380	1.10601	36.63	0.19
0.5061	1.3705	0.0316	1.08429	30.46	0.13
0.6986	1.3549	0.0195	1.04869	23.77	0.06
0.8897	1.3406	0.0072	1.01575	19.74	0.01
1.0000	1.3325	0.0000	0.99702	18.07	0.00
2-Propanol (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
0.0000	1.4155	0.0000	1.1851	190.72	0.00
0.0089	1.4152	0.0015	1.1804	186.91	-0.18
0.0287	1.4143	0.0043	1.1701	179.01	-0.58
0.0624	1.4122	0.0077	1.1474	168.06	-0.35
0.1053	1.4106	0.0120	1.1221	156.07	-0.45
0.1649	1.4077	0.0157	1.0913	142.33	-0.88
0.2183	1.4071	0.0198	1.0618	132.81	-0.78
0.2719	1.4060	0.0226	1.0316	125.15	-0.44
0.3240	1.4030	0.0229	1.0120	117.89	-1.11
0.4108	1.3989	0.0233	0.9733	108.80	-1.19
0.5167	1.3948	0.0234	0.9271	100.47	-0.96
0.5965	1.3910	0.0216	0.9019	94.69	-1.53
0.6194	1.3904	0.0228	0.8888	93.83	-1.04
0.7697	1.3817	0.0172	0.8355	86.56	-0.86
0.8372	1.3749	0.0118	0.8093	84.34	-0.35
0.9344	1.3668	0.0054	0.7787	81.07	-0.18
1.0000	1.3604	0.0000	0.7587	79.21	0.00

<sup>a</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(n_D) = 0.0006$ ,  $u(\rho) = 0.0009 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $u(\Delta n_D) = 0.001$ , and  $u(V^E) = 0.06 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ . <sup>b</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(n_D) = 0.001$ ,  $u(\rho) = 0.003 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $u(\Delta n_D) = 0.002$ , and  $u(V^E) = 0.3 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ .

temperature precision of  $\pm 0.1$  K. The optical wavelength utilized in this work was 589.3 nm corresponding to the Na-D line. The refractometer was calibrated with Milli-Q water quality before all measurements. The uncertainties of the refractive index measurements are indicated along with corresponding experimental data.

Densities were determined with an Anton Paar DMA-5000 oscillating U-tube density meter with a repeatability of  $\pm 1\cdot 10^{-6} \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$  and temperature precision of  $\pm 0.001$  K. Milli-Q water was used for the purpose of checking the calibration of the density meter. The viscosity correction of density has been done automatically by the density meter. Density uncertainties are shown in data tables for each mixture studied.

**Table 5. Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Density ( $\rho$ ) Fitting Parameters ( $A_{ik}$ ) of 2-Propanol + Water and Water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] Mixtures at 298.15 K and 2-Propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] Mixtures at 323.15 K**

property	component (i)	order (k)			s
		1	2	3	
2-Propanol (1) + Water (2)					
$n_D$	1	1.3886	-0.0227	0.0098	0.0004
	2	1.3716	-0.0307	-0.0084	
$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	1	0.8565	-0.0757		0.0006
	2	0.9703	0.0276		
Water (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
$n_D$	1	1.2535	0.2804	-0.2017	0.0002
	2	1.2862	0.3131	-0.1778	
$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	1	1.0133	-0.0129		0.0016
	2	1.1188	0.0821		
2-Propanol (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
$n_D$	1	1.5223	-0.4299	0.2673	0.0006
	2	1.5710	-0.4618	0.3062	
$\rho/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	1	0.7916	-0.0318		0.0036
	2	1.0076	0.1723		

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

**Binary Systems.** The refractive index and density have been measured at 298.15 K for 2-propanol + water and water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixtures. The refractive index and density of 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] have been measured at 323.15 K. As can be seen in Table 1, refractive indices and densities of pure components agree with literature data. Table 2 displays refractive indices of 2-propanol + water, while densities of the same system are shown in Table 3. Refractive indices and densities of water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] and 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] are shown in Table 4. Both properties have been fitted to a polynomial mass fraction expansion model to get a mathematical relationship between properties and compositions of the mixtures. Fitting lines were calculated using<sup>34</sup>

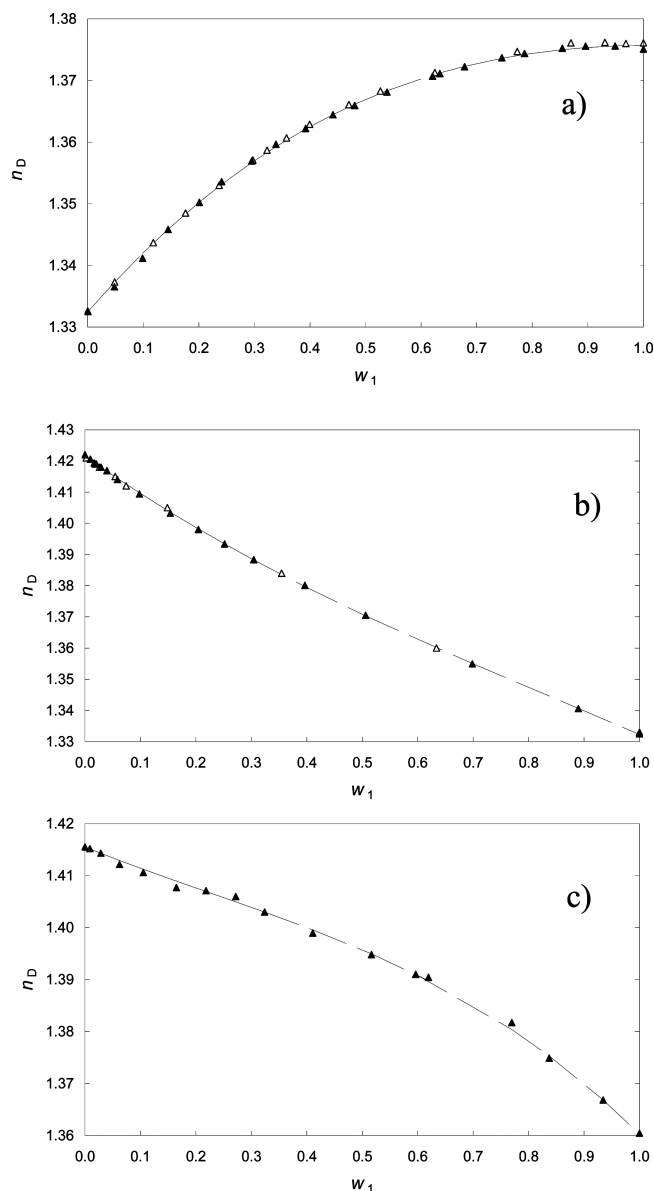
$$Q = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^I A_{ik} \cdot w_i^k \quad (1)$$

where  $Q$  is  $n_D$  or  $\rho$  in  $\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $A_{ik}$  denotes the adjustment coefficients of the model,  $I$  denotes the number of components,  $w_i$  refers to the mass fraction of the component  $i$ , and  $k$  is the polynomial degree. The refractive index has been adjusted to a third-order polynomial expansion model, whereas density has been adjusted to a second-order polynomial expansion equation. The standard deviation ( $s$ ) for each adjustment has been calculated as<sup>35</sup>

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{n=1}^N (Q_{\text{exp}} - Q_{\text{cal}})^2} \quad (2)$$

where  $Q_{\text{cal}}$  denotes the adjusted property value,  $Q_{\text{exp}}$  is the experimental property value, and  $N$  refers to the number of measurements. Both coefficients and deviations are listed in Table 5.

In Figure 1, a steady increase is shown for the refractive index of the 2-propanol + water subsystem up to a 2-propanol mass fraction of 0.75. Over this value, the refractive index remains almost constant to pure 2-propanol. In the same mixture, density gradually decreases as the 2-propanol fraction grows

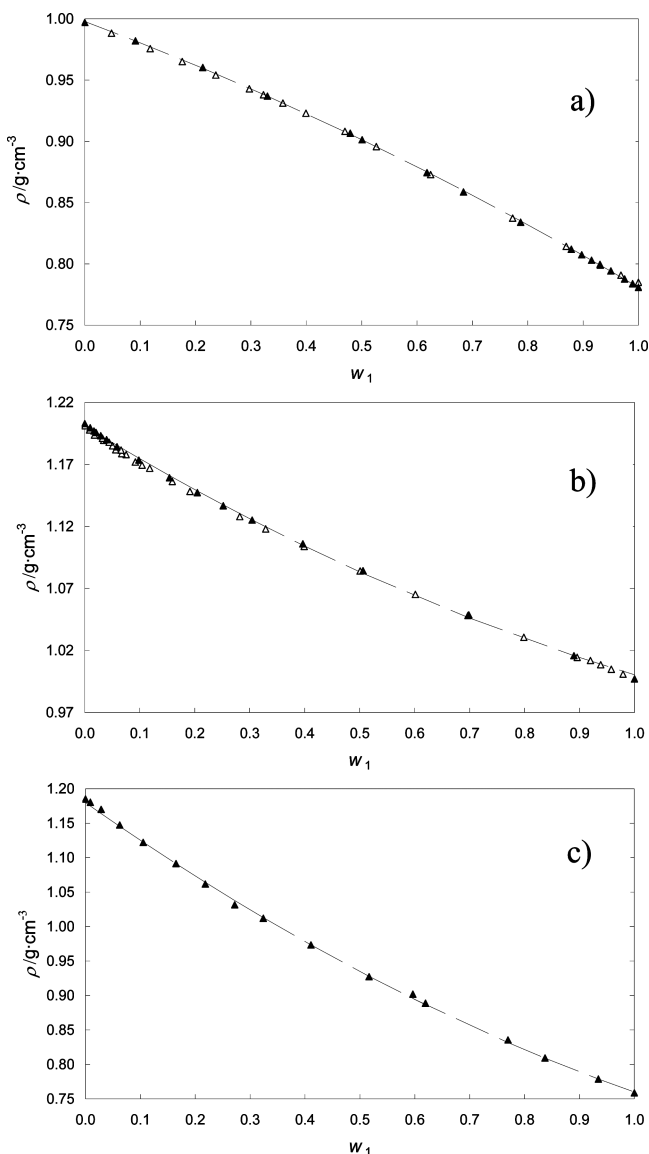


**Figure 1.** Refractive index ( $n_D$ ) against the mass fraction of the components:  $\blacktriangle$ , experimental data;  $\triangle$ , literature data.<sup>32,36</sup> Dashed lines are obtained values from fitting to eq 1. (a) 2-Propanol (1) + water (2) at 298.15 K; (b) water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 298.15 K; (c) 2-propanol (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 323.15 K.

larger (Figure 2). The refractive index and density of water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixtures are also shown in Figures 1 and 2, respectively. The refractive index and density decrease with the increase in water mass fraction. As can be seen graphically, experimental density and refractive index of 2-propanol + water and water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] agree with literature data.<sup>32,33,36</sup>

To end with binary experimental data, 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] was measured at 323.15 K. Temperatures over 323.15 K allow total miscibility of both liquids which are not miscible at 298.15 K. Refractive index and density decrease when the mass fraction of 2-propanol in the mixture increases, as it is reflected in Figures 1 and 2, respectively.

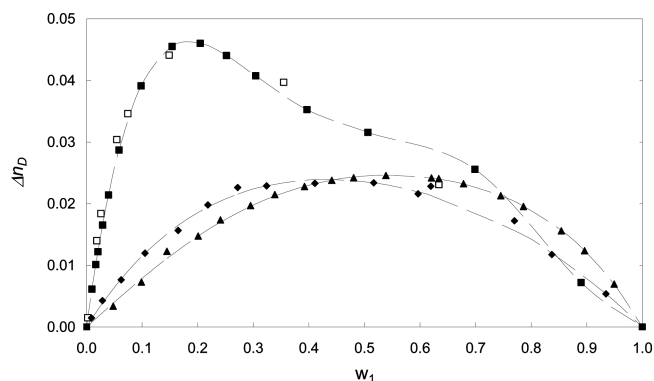
A study of ideality of refractive index and density has been done through the calculus of excess properties. The refractive index deviation and excess molar volume have been excess



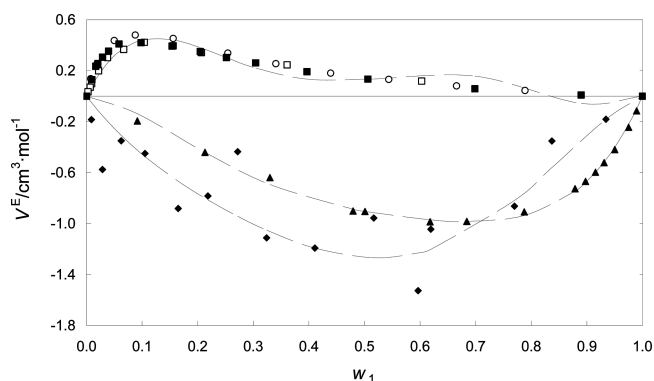
**Figure 2.** Density ( $\rho$ ) against mass fraction of the components:  $\blacktriangle$ , experimental data;  $\triangle$ , literature data.<sup>33,36</sup> Dashed lines represent obtained values from fitting to eq 1. (a) 2-Propanol (1) + water (2) at 298.15 K; (b) water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 298.15 K; (c) 2-propanol (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 323.15 K.

**Table 6. Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ) and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) Fitting Parameters ( $A_k$ ) of 2-Propanol + Water and Water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] Mixtures at 298.15 K and 2-Propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] Mixtures at 323.15 K**

excess property	order ( $k$ )				$s$
	0	1	2	3	
2-Propanol (1) + Water (2)					
$\Delta n_D$	0.0979	0.0136	0.0198	0.0235	0.0004
$V^E / \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	-3.6159	-1.5668	-1.4936	-3.0721	0.0237
Water (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
$\Delta n_D$	0.1268	-0.0460	0.1973	-0.2900	0.0027
$V^E / \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	0.5259	0.6137	2.4271	-6.4471	0.0711
2-Propanol (1) + [bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (2)					
$\Delta n_D$	0.0943	-0.0270	0.0211	-0.0069	0.0007
$V^E / \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	-5.0603	-0.6103	1.2758	2.5510	0.2182



**Figure 3.** Refractive index deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ):  $\blacktriangle$ , 2-propanol (1) + water (2) at 298.15 K;  $\blacksquare$ , water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 298.15 K;  $\blacklozenge$ , 2-propanol (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 323.15 K.  $\square$ , water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2).<sup>32</sup> Dashed lines are obtained values from fitting to eq 6.



**Figure 4.** Excess molar volume ( $V^E$ ):  $\blacktriangle$ , 2-propanol (1) + water (2) at 298.15 K;  $\blacksquare$ , water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 298.15 K;  $\blacklozenge$ , 2-propanol (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (2) at 323.15 K.  $\square$ , water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>].<sup>33</sup>  $\circ$ , water (1) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>].<sup>39</sup> Dashed lines refer to obtained values from fitting to eq 6.

properties studied in this work. The refractive index deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ) is defined as<sup>37</sup>

$$\Delta n_D = n_D - \sum_{i=1}^I x_i \cdot n_{Di} \quad (3)$$

where  $n_D$  is the refractive index of the mixture,  $x_i$  denotes the mole fraction of the component  $i$ , and  $n_{Di}$  indicates the refractive index for each pure component of the mixture.

Excess molar volume ( $V^E$ ), set as the deviation of ideality of density, is defined following<sup>37</sup>

$$V^E = V_m - \sum_{i=1}^I x_i \cdot V_i \quad (4)$$

where  $V_m$  is the mixture molar volume,  $V_i$  indicates the molar volume for pure component  $i$ , and  $x_i$  denotes the mole fraction of the component  $i$ . Mixture molar volumes were calculated from the experimental densities using<sup>37</sup>

$$V_m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \cdot x_i}{\rho} \quad (5)$$

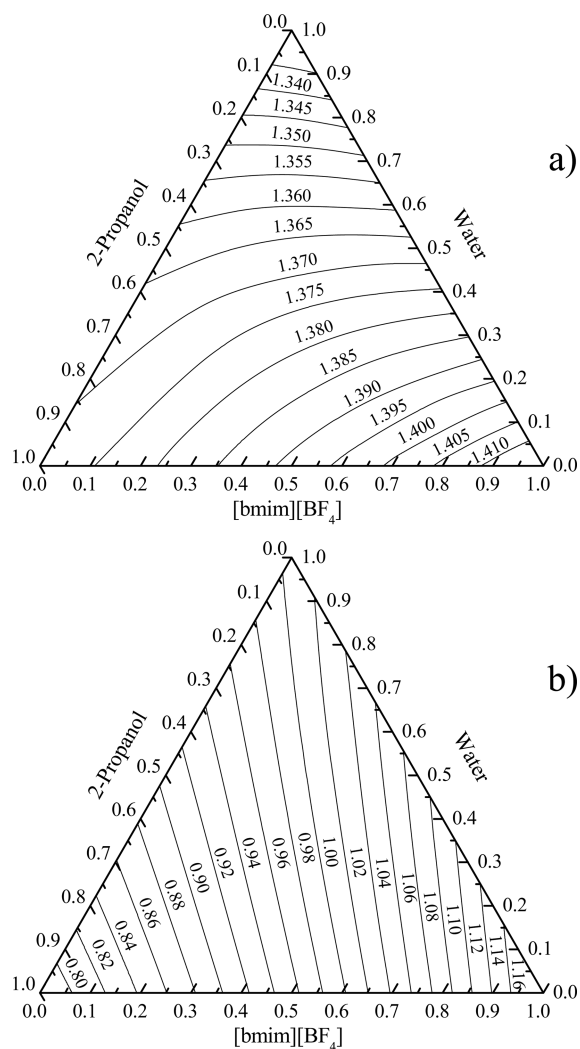
Table 7. Experimental Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Density ( $\rho$ ) and Calculated Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ), Molar Volume ( $V_m$ ), and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) of the 2-Propanol (1) + Water (2) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (3) System at 298.15 K<sup>a</sup>

$w_1$	$w_2$	$n_D$	$\rho$		$\Delta n_D$	$V_m$		$V^E$
			$g \cdot cm^{-3}$			$cm^3 \cdot mol^{-1}$	$cm^3 \cdot mol^{-1}$	
0.0210	0.3882	1.3816	1.1020		0.0389	37.02	0.00	
0.0225	0.4948	1.3726	1.0817		0.0332	30.84	-0.06	
0.0228	0.6827	1.3577	1.0483		0.0219	24.10	-0.12	
0.0254	0.8671	1.3437	1.0102		0.0099	20.19	-0.03	
0.0315	0.1981	1.3986	1.1342		0.0442	59.05	0.15	
0.0324	0.2944	1.3898	1.1154		0.0427	45.14	0.01	
0.0334	0.2433	1.3941	1.1246		0.0437	51.51	0.06	
0.0341	0.0161	1.4183	1.1768		0.0152	150.03	0.06	
0.0341	0.0565	1.4134	1.1652		0.0312	111.05	0.24	
0.0341	0.0949	1.4093	1.1554		0.0387	89.35	0.27	
0.0348	0.0382	1.4154	1.1687		0.0254	125.80	0.31	
0.0375	0.0094	1.4187	1.1767		0.0110	158.47	0.01	
0.0390	0.0197	1.4177	1.1626		0.0175	145.59	1.33	
0.0418	0.1476	1.4033	1.1402		0.0427	70.32	0.13	
0.0788	0.1282	1.4037	1.1255		0.0403	74.44	-0.02	
0.0957	0.0647	1.4095	1.1315		0.0321	99.32	-0.19	
0.1023	0.3560	1.3837	1.0735		0.0392	39.04	-0.29	
0.1047	0.0244	1.4135	1.1362		0.0207	126.66	-0.36	
0.1049	0.4530	1.3760	1.0561		0.0348	32.82	-0.33	
0.1088	0.0433	1.4112	1.1292		0.0269	111.15	-0.27	
0.1089	0.0258	1.4160	1.1397		0.0242	124.03	-1.03	
0.1089	0.6225	1.3630	1.0273		0.0257	25.92	-0.37	
0.1124	0.7897	1.3507	0.9998		0.0156	21.68	-0.37	
0.1906	0.1495	1.3996	1.0682		0.0395	65.04	-0.46	
0.1926	0.3202	1.3852	1.0415		0.0385	41.50	-0.55	
0.1946	0.4077	1.3788	1.0279		0.0356	35.21	-0.58	
0.1971	0.0795	1.4040	1.0770		0.0324	85.25	-0.47	
0.1990	0.5595	1.3679	1.0031		0.0287	28.13	-0.56	
0.1999	0.2354	1.3906	1.0487		0.0388	50.47	-0.43	
0.2027	0.7093	1.3577	0.9779		0.0211	23.71	-0.50	
0.2039	0.0210	1.4088	1.0846		0.0199	115.42	-0.57	
0.2074	0.0459	1.4132	1.0624		0.0331	101.18	0.95	
0.2082	0.0398	1.4067	1.0754		0.0248	103.28	-0.21	
0.2117	0.2289	1.3913	1.0451		0.0390	51.16	-0.48	
0.2144	0.3227	1.3798	1.0213		0.0330	41.62	-0.17	
0.2176	0.2535	1.3899	1.0411		0.0393	47.95	-0.60	
0.2487	0.1734	1.3940	1.0302		0.0367	59.47	-0.13	
0.2551	0.1609	1.3952	1.0355		0.0366	61.27	-0.50	
0.2598	0.1397	1.3987	1.0322		0.0376	65.76	-0.22	
0.2649	0.0996	1.4024	1.0370		0.0355	75.65	-0.24	
0.2711	0.2956	1.3849	1.0106		0.0365	43.33	-0.63	
0.2887	0.0254	1.4044	1.0452		0.0204	103.47	-0.94	
0.3152	0.2716	1.3858	0.9921		0.0359	45.51	-0.52	
0.3236	0.3424	1.3809	0.9858		0.0344	39.22	-0.82	
0.3265	0.2020	1.3900	1.0009		0.0352	53.34	-0.73	
0.3303	0.4678	1.3726	0.9671		0.0304	31.96	-0.81	
0.3376	0.5893	1.3643	0.9482		0.0248	27.29	-0.76	
0.3542	0.2071	1.3888	0.9879		0.0343	52.36	-0.72	
0.3759	0.2674	1.3845	0.9714		0.0340	45.40	-0.74	
0.3876	0.0592	1.3974	0.9925		0.0243	82.70	-0.67	
0.3969	0.1302	1.3924	0.9807		0.0305	64.03	-0.77	
0.3982	0.0350	1.3983	0.9905		0.0201	91.16	-0.60	
0.4105	0.2126	1.3869	0.9647		0.0327	51.06	-0.77	
0.4318	0.2727	1.3831	0.9498		0.0327	44.56	-0.82	
0.4423	0.1492	1.3898	0.9597		0.0300	59.72	-0.79	
0.4588	0.2598	1.3826	0.9411		0.0313	45.60	-0.84	
0.5058	0.0288	1.3941	0.9483		0.0222	87.33	-0.75	
0.5144	0.0249	1.3888	0.9454		0.0306	88.31	-0.75	

Table 7. continued

$w_1$	$w_2$	$n_D$	$\rho$		$V_m$	$V^E$
			$g \cdot cm^{-3}$	$\Delta n_D$		
0.5577	0.1042	1.3883	0.9202	0.0238	65.63	-0.79
0.5826	0.3418	1.3744	0.8920	0.0266	38.65	-1.06
0.5974	0.0689	1.3884	0.9087	0.0195	72.21	-0.73
0.6124	0.0472	1.3890	0.9050	0.0168	77.17	-0.68
0.6275	0.2504	1.3773	0.8800	0.0249	45.67	-0.80
0.6863	0.2655	1.3751	0.8630	0.0234	43.94	-1.01
0.6909	0.1747	1.3796	0.8694	0.0222	52.79	-0.99
0.6970	0.1675	1.3793	0.8668	0.0213	53.68	-0.91
0.7588	0.0936	1.3810	0.8510	0.0162	63.60	-0.72
0.7641	0.1822	1.3768	0.8443	0.0199	51.35	-0.93
0.7970	0.0479	1.3816	0.8425	0.0114	71.46	-0.65
0.8316	0.1100	1.3778	0.8279	0.0150	59.79	-0.79
0.8831	0.0549	1.3781	0.8148	0.0095	68.12	-0.57
0.9079	0.0283	1.3780	0.8077	0.0060	72.99	-0.36

<sup>a</sup>Standard uncertainties  $u$  are  $u(n_D) = 0.0008$ ,  $u(\rho) = 0.001 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $u(\Delta n_D) = 0.002$ , and  $u(V^E) = 0.1 \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ .



**Figure 5.** Experimental properties fitting for the 2-propanol + water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] system: (a) refractive index and (b) density in  $g \cdot cm^{-3}$ .

where  $W_i$  is the molecular weight of the pure component  $i$ ,  $x_i$  denotes the mole fraction of the component  $i$ , and  $\rho$  indicates the experimental density value of the mixture.

**Table 8.** Refractive Index ( $n_D$ ) and Density ( $\rho$ ) Fitting Parameters ( $A_{ik}$ ) of 2-Propanol (1) + Water (2) + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] (3) System at 298.15 K

property	component (i)	order (k)			s
		1	2	3	
$n_D$	1	1.4201	-0.0700	0.0255	0.0011
	2	1.3540	-0.0221	0.2554	
	3	1.3951	-0.0022	0.0290	
$\rho / g \cdot cm^{-3}$	1	0.7559	0.0260		0.0033
	2	1.0777	-0.0713		
	3	1.0829	0.1123		

**Table 9.** Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ) and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) Fitting Parameters ( $A_k$ ) of 2-Propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] Mixture at 298.15 K

excess property	order (k)			
	0	1	2	3
$\Delta n_D$	0.0802	-0.0027	0.0664	-0.0900
$V^E / cm^3 \cdot mol^{-1}$	-2.3450	4.1025	0.7264	-7.3861

Refractive index deviations and excess molar volumes have been adjusted to the Redlich–Kister model for binary mixtures, corresponding to<sup>38</sup>

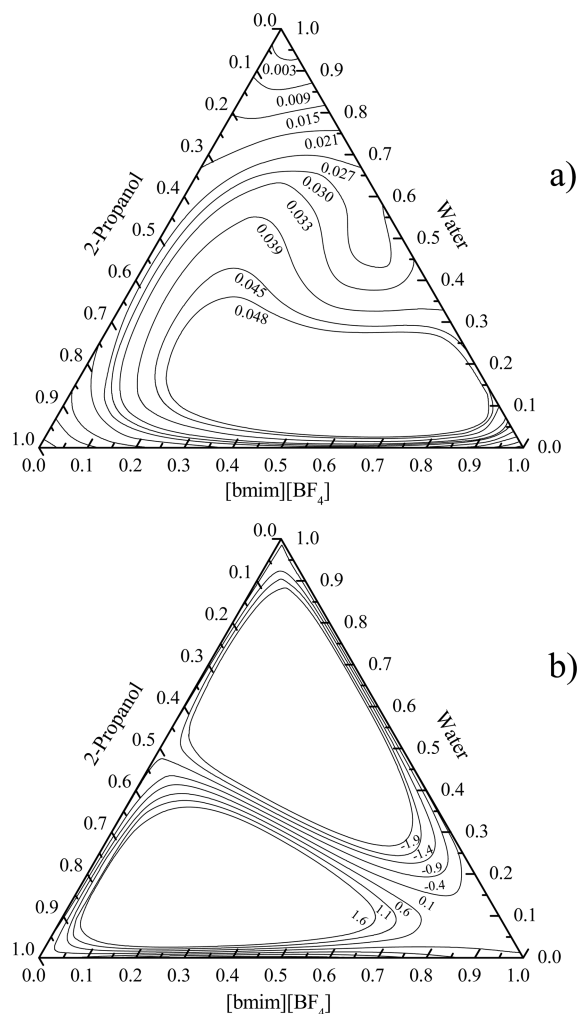
$$Q_{ij} = w_i w_j \sum_{k=0}^K A_k (2w_i - 1)^k \quad (6)$$

where  $Q_{ij}$  denotes the excess property,  $w_i$  and  $w_j$  are the mass fractions of the components  $i$  and  $j$  in the binary mixture, and  $A_k$  is related to the fitting parameters,  $k$  being the order of the fit.

Refractive index deviations, molar volumes, and excess molar volumes are shown in Tables 2, 3, and 4, whereas fitting parameters are shown in Table 6. Both excess properties have been fitted to a third-order model to minimize standard deviation.

In Figures 3 and 4, refractive index deviations and excess molar volumes are shown for 2-propanol + water, water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>], and 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] binary systems. Refractive index deviations of all binary mixtures have a positive deviation from ideality. Excess molar volume indicates that





**Figure 6.** Excess properties fitting for 2-propanol + water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] system: (a) refractive index deviation and (b) excess molar volume, in cm<sup>3</sup>·mol<sup>-1</sup>.

2-propanol + water and 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] have a negative deviation from ideality, whereas water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixture has a positive one. The excess properties study sets a non-ideal behavior of mixture in the two measured properties.

It is important to underline the comparison between experimental and literature data to the water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] system. Both experimental and literature refractive index deviations present a maximum deviation near to 0.2 water mass fraction.<sup>32</sup> Moreover, the experimental and literature maximum excess volume corresponds to a water mass fraction of 0.1 approximately.<sup>33,39</sup>

The 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixture has a maximum excess molar volume near to 0.6 2-propanol mass fraction; this value agrees with the alcohol + IL common trend.<sup>40</sup>

This phenomenon could be caused by the strong effect of the IL modifying the dielectric constant of the alcohol.<sup>40</sup>

**Ternary System.** The refractive index and density of the 2-propanol + water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] ternary system were measured at 298.15 K. Experimental properties are reported in Table 7. Experimental data have been adjusted to a model following eq 1 for three components. Hence, isolines have been drawn with the obtained model in Figure 5. Table 8 shows fitting parameters and calculated standard deviation for the ternary system.

An excess properties study has been executed. Refractive index deviation and excess molar volume are the properties analyzed that were calculated with eqs 3 and 4, respectively. Excess properties are also listed in Table 7 and shown in Figure 6. These excess properties have been fitted to a Redlich–Kister ternary third-order model, following<sup>41</sup>

$$Q_{123} = Q_{12} + Q_{13} + Q_{23} + w_1 w_2 w_3 (A + B(w_1 - w_2) + C(w_1 - w_3) + D(w_2 - w_3) + E(w_1 - w_2)^2 + F(w_1 - w_3)^2 + G(w_2 - w_3)^2 + H(w_1 - w_2)^3 + I(w_1 - w_3)^3 + J(w_2 - w_3)^3) \quad (7)$$

where  $Q_{123}$  are the ternary excess fitted properties,  $Q_{12}$  and  $Q_{23}$  refer to the binary fitted properties listed in Table 6 following eq 6, and  $Q_{13}$  denote 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] parameters at 298.15 K shown in Table 9, whereas  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$ , and  $w_3$  are the mass fractions of the three components involved in the ternary mixtures.  $Q_{13}$  have been recalculated because the 2-propanol and [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] binary system was studied at 323.15 K, and the ternary system requires parameters at 298.15 K. The adjustment coefficients  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ ,  $I$ , and  $J$  are shown in Table 10. Both refractive index deviation and excess molar volume indicate the non-ideal trend with composition in ternary 2-propanol + water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] mixtures.

## CONCLUSIONS

Refractive indices and densities of 2-propanol + water and water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] binary mixtures over the whole range of compositions have been measured at 298.15 K, whereas these properties for the 2-propanol + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] binary system have been measured at 323.15 K. Refractive index deviation and excess molar volume set that both refractive index and density of binary mixtures follow a non-ideal behavior. Moreover, a comparison between experimental and literature properties has shown the reliability of the physical properties obtained.

Refractive indices and densities of 2-propanol + water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] ternary mixtures have been measured at 298.15 K. A study of the behavior of the ternary system has also shown a non-ideal mixing behavior for the studied properties.

**Table 10.** Refractive Index Deviation ( $\Delta n_D$ ) and Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) Fitting Parameters of 2-Propanol + Water + [bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>] System to the Redlich–Kister Equation at 298.15 K

excess property	A	B	C	D	E	F
$\Delta n_D$	0.1018	0.3019	1.3216	-0.2005	-4.3757	-0.7796
$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	6.6653	400.0037	429.4725	-441.0718	-56.9452	47.2222
excess property	G	H	I	J	s	
$\Delta n_D$	3.4631	5.4047	-0.9325	-6.4160	0.0061	
$V^E/\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-84.8700	234.9965	-89.3511	-9.7988	0.3209	

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