

# Densities and Viscosities of Binary Liquid Mixtures of Vinyl Acetate, Diethyl Oxalate, and Dibutyl Phthalate with Normal Alkanols at 303.15 K

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Densities and viscosities of binary liquid mixtures of three esters (vinyl acetate, diethyl oxalate, and dibutyl phthalate) with four normal alkanols (ethanol, butan-1-ol, octan-1-ol, and decan-1-ol) are presented over the complete concentration range at 303.15 K and atmospheric pressure. The densities were measured using a vibrating-tube digital densimeter, and the viscosities were measured by a capillary viscometer. The excess molar volumes are positive, except those at low  $x_1$  values for dibutyl phthalate (1) + ethanol (2), dibutyl phthalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2), and diethyl oxalate (1) + ethanol (2). The excess molar volumes and viscosity deviations were correlated by the Redlich and Kister type equation. Optimally fitted parameters are presented, and the correlation results are in satisfactory agreement with the experimental data.

## Introduction

Experimental data of the densities and viscosities of binary liquid mixtures containing esters are useful in pharmaceutical and specialty chemicals. These data are not sufficient in the literature.<sup>1</sup> Recently, experimental density and viscosity data have been reported for some esters with *n*-alkanols.<sup>2–6</sup> Vinyl acetate (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) is a useful specialty chemical for adhesive and lacquer. Diethyl oxalate (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) is used in the manufacturing of plastics or dyestuff. Dibutyl phthalate (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) is also used as the plasticizer in organic synthesis. In this study, densities and viscosities for the binary liquid mixtures of these three ester compounds with four alkanols (ethanol, butan-1-ol, octan-1-ol, and decan-1-ol) were measured at 303.15 K and atmospheric pressure. To our knowledge, the data for these systems were not reported previously. Excess molar volumes and deviations of viscosity were then calculated and correlated by polynomial expressions.

## Experimental Section

**Materials.** All chemicals were purchased from Merck Co. The purities of all liquids are better than 99.5 mass % on the basis of GC analyses (Shimadzu 8A with a TCD detector, Japan), and no further purification was made. The densities, viscosities, and refractive indices of all pure chemicals were measured in this study. A comparison of pure fluid properties with literature data is shown in Table 1.

**Measurements.** Liquid mixtures of various compositions were prepared by mass, in a 50 cm<sup>3</sup> flask, using a precision Mettler balance (AE 2000, Switzerland) with an accuracy of ±0.1 mg. The corresponding accuracy in the mole fraction calculation was better than ±0.0001. Density and viscosity measurements were carried out using a Neslab RTE220 thermostat. Temperatures were measured with a

**Table 1. Comparison of Properties of Pure Liquids with Literature Data**

solvent	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ $T = 303.15 \text{ K}$		$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ $T = 303.15 \text{ K}$		$n_D$ $T = 293.15 \text{ K}$	
	exp	lit.	exp	lit.	exp	lit.
dibutyl phthalate	1038.2	1037.9 <sup>10</sup>	13.329	13.347 <sup>10</sup>	1.4928	1.4926 <sup>8</sup>
diethyl oxalate	1066.6	1066.9 <sup>8</sup>	1.661	1.618 <sup>8</sup>	1.4106	1.4102 <sup>8</sup>
vinyl acetate	919.2	918.2 <sup>8</sup>	0.372	0.384 <sup>10</sup>	1.3938	1.3934 <sup>8</sup>
decan-1-ol	823.1	823.1 <sup>9</sup>	9.342	9.366 <sup>10</sup>	1.3974	1.3971 <sup>10</sup>
octan-1-ol	818.2	818.1 <sup>11</sup> 818.4 <sup>9</sup>	6.100	6.010 <sup>13</sup> 6.103 <sup>10</sup> 6.125 <sup>8</sup>	1.4265	1.4261 <sup>8</sup>
butan-1-ol	801.9	802.0 <sup>9</sup>	2.276	2.271 <sup>8</sup> 2.280 <sup>14</sup>	1.3990	1.3993 <sup>8</sup>
ethanol	780.8	780.8 <sup>9</sup>	0.995	0.994 <sup>12</sup>	1.3611	1.3614 <sup>9</sup>

Hart 1506 thermometer with an accuracy of ±0.01 K. A proportional integral control model was used to maintain the temperature in the thermostat to be within ±0.01 K of the desired value. The refractive indices of pure liquids were measured at 293.15 K with an Abbe refractometer Atago 3T (Japan). The accuracy of the refractive index measurement is ±0.0001.

Densities of pure liquids and binary liquid mixtures were measured at 303.15 K with an Anton Parr digital vibrating tube densimeter (model 60/602, Anton Parr, Austria). The densimeter was calibrated with degassed water and dehumidized air at atmospheric pressure. More than eight readings were taken for each density measurement. The precision in the density measurement is estimated to be better than ±0.01 kg·m<sup>-3</sup>. The corresponding uncertainty in the excess molar volume calculation is ±2 × 10<sup>-9</sup> m<sup>3</sup>·mol<sup>-1</sup>.

Kinematic viscosities of binary liquid mixtures were measured by factory-calibrated Ubbelohde capillary viscometers (Schott Gerate, FRG). A Lauda Viscoboy 2 timer (Lauda, FRG), which measured automatically the flow time of a liquid, was used with an accuracy of time measurement of 0.01 s. The kinematic viscosities of liquids were calculated with the measured flow time and the calibration

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**Table 2. Densities,  $\rho$ , and Viscosities,  $\eta$ , for Vinyl Acetate (1) with Various Alkanols (2) at 303.15 K**

$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$	$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$
(2) = Ethanol			(2) = Butan-1-ol		
0.0000	780.79	0.995	0.0000	801.89	2.276
0.0998	801.05	0.787	0.1008	812.57	1.622
0.2001	819.23	0.651	0.1999	823.38	1.211
0.2995	835.45	0.564	0.3008	834.66	0.944
0.4007	850.54	0.501	0.3993	845.87	0.768
0.5002	864.17	0.457	0.5055	858.21	0.634
0.5990	876.57	0.425	0.6002	869.40	0.547
0.7013	888.46	0.402	0.6998	881.39	0.482
0.8005	899.24	0.386	0.7997	893.66	0.433
0.9002	909.49	0.378	0.8749	903.09	0.405
1.0000	919.24	0.372	1.0000	919.24	0.372
(2) = Octan-1-ol			(2) = Decan-1-ol		
0.0000	818.17	6.100	0.0000	823.14	9.342
0.1001	823.12	4.448	0.1013	826.79	6.774
0.2008	828.92	3.155	0.1998	831.25	4.804
0.3002	835.48	2.302	0.3007	836.58	3.437
0.4017	843.11	1.705	0.3991	842.76	2.488
0.4997	851.49	1.279	0.5006	850.26	1.793
0.6008	861.38	0.965	0.6004	859.01	1.310
0.6993	872.42	0.743	0.6957	869.01	0.952
0.7981	885.29	0.577	0.8003	882.45	0.682
0.8965	900.30	0.459	0.9040	899.25	0.489
1.0000	919.24	0.372	1.0000	919.24	0.372

**Table 3. Densities,  $\rho$ , and Viscosities,  $\eta$ , for Diethyl Oxalate (1) with Various Alkanols (2) at 303.15 K**

$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$	$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$
(2) = Ethanol			(2) = Butan-1-ol		
0.0000	780.79	0.995	0.0000	801.89	2.276
0.1001	839.78	0.948	0.1064	840.12	1.803
0.2004	886.25	0.968	0.1924	869.35	1.613
0.2897	920.05	1.009	0.2954	900.63	1.496
0.3980	953.91	1.069	0.3832	925.89	1.438
0.5098	982.72	1.146	0.5033	957.88	1.405
0.5982	1002.17	1.213	0.6097	984.06	1.405
0.6828	1018.58	1.283	0.6734	998.89	1.419
0.7700	1033.64	1.371	0.7804	1022.46	1.461
0.8931	1052.35	1.515	0.9074	1048.60	1.556
1.0000	1066.63	1.661	1.0000	1066.63	1.661
(2) = Octan-1-ol			(2) = Decan-1-ol		
0.0000	818.17	6.100	0.0000	823.14	9.342
0.0949	837.13	4.702	0.1042	839.98	6.782
0.2003	859.25	3.667	0.1986	856.64	5.372
0.2883	878.56	3.152	0.2934	874.72	4.324
0.4000	904.18	2.636	0.4010	897.00	3.516
0.5026	928.89	2.296	0.5111	921.83	2.851
0.6064	955.02	2.027	0.5985	943.15	2.488
0.6984	979.10	1.860	0.7108	973.00	2.078
0.7809	1001.70	1.740	0.8081	999.30	1.837
0.8763	1029.00	1.638	0.8863	1026.38	1.691
1.0000	1066.63	1.661	1.0000	1066.63	1.661

constants. Dynamic viscosities were determined from these data and the corresponding densities of the mixtures at the same compositions. The reported dynamic viscosities were the averaged values of at least five to eight runs. The accuracy of the dynamic viscosity measurement was estimated to be  $\pm 0.003$  mPa·s.

## Results and Discussion

Density data of various binary mixtures are listed in Tables 2–4, respectively. The excess molar volumes,  $V^E$ , were calculated from the density data by the relationship

$$V^E/(\text{cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}) = x_1M_1(1/\rho_m - 1/\rho_1) + x_2M_2(1/\rho_m - 1/\rho_2) \quad (1)$$

where  $x$ ,  $M$ , and  $\rho$  are the mole fraction, molecular weight, and density, respectively. The subscript m represents the

**Table 4. Densities,  $\rho$ , and Viscosities,  $\eta$ , for Dibutyl Phthalate (1) with Various Alkanols (2) at 303.15 K**

$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$	$x_1$	$\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$\eta/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$
(2) = Ethanol			(2) = Butan-1-ol		
0.0000	780.79	0.995	0.0000	801.89	2.276
0.0982	867.97	1.555	0.1016	860.34	2.585
0.1991	919.40	2.302	0.1991	900.90	3.095
0.4046	976.37	4.211	0.2997	932.69	3.757
0.5046	993.12	5.310	0.4016	957.76	4.553
0.5634	1001.14	6.002	0.5004	977.33	5.431
0.6940	1015.58	7.761	0.5969	993.13	6.463
0.8070	1025.35	9.476	0.6966	1006.90	7.645
0.8877	1031.20	10.910	0.8044	1019.53	9.216
0.9316	1034.08	11.678	0.8662	1025.93	10.270
1.0000	1038.18	13.329	1.0000	1038.18	13.329
(2) = Octan-1-ol			(2) = Decan-1-ol		
0.0000	818.17	6.100	0.0000	823.14	9.342
0.1003	852.22	5.900	0.1004	851.02	8.572
0.2011	882.55	5.876	0.1995	876.97	8.061
0.3001	909.13	6.078	0.3035	902.47	7.851
0.3996	933.03	6.444	0.4004	924.80	7.910
0.5000	954.84	6.901	0.4902	944.33	8.075
0.5999	974.50	7.600	0.5977	966.34	8.479
0.6958	991.75	8.396	0.6985	985.78	9.095
0.7975	1008.54	9.530	0.7997	1004.25	9.985
0.8980	1023.82	11.052	0.8948	1020.73	11.176
1.0000	1038.18	13.329	1.0000	1038.18	13.329

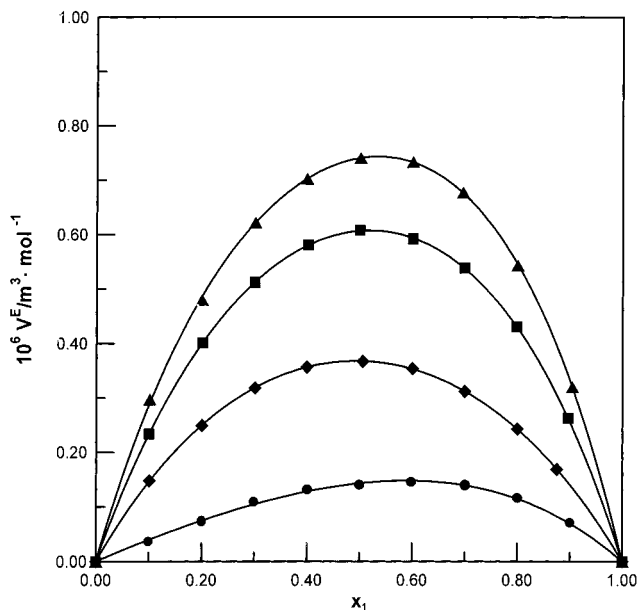
**Table 5. Regression Results for the Excess Molar Volumes of Various Binary Mixtures at  $T = 303.15$  K**

binary systems	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$10^3\sigma(V^E)/\text{m}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
diethyl oxalate + ethanol	0.0891	0.3512	-0.0185	0.99
diethyl oxalate + butan-1-ol	1.4048	-0.2081	0.3511	1.59
diethyl oxalate + octan-1-ol	3.1027	-0.1455	0.5198	3.86
diethyl oxalate + decan-1-ol	3.7474	0.0238	0.8950	1.58
dibutyl phthalate + ethanol	-0.4645	1.1744	-0.7935	5.97
dibutyl phthalate + butan-1-ol	0.2534	0.4772	0.0068	2.21
dibutyl phthalate + octan-1-ol	1.2361	-0.1587	0.3042	4.54
dibutyl phthalate + decan-1-ol	1.9133	-0.4530	0.6764	5.81
vinyl acetate + ethanol	0.5731	0.2080	0.0555	3.42
vinyl acetate + butan-1-ol	1.4710	-0.0381	0.1884	0.54
vinyl acetate + octan-1-ol	2.4274	0.1474	0.4457	0.91
vinyl acetate + decan-1-ol	2.9618	0.3056	0.7369	3.94

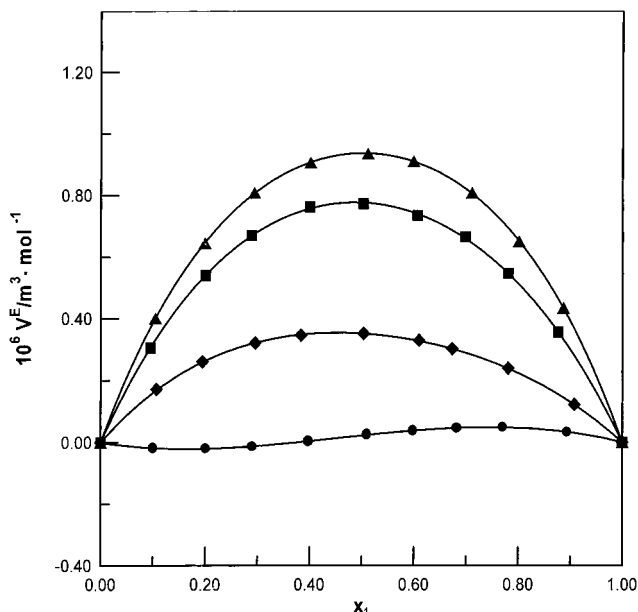
**Table 6. Regression Results for the Viscosities of Various Binary Mixtures at  $T = 303.15$  K**

binary systems	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$10^3\sigma[\delta(\ln \eta)]/\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s}$
diethyl oxalate + ethanol	-0.4811	0.2026	-0.3761	0.3710	1.90
diethyl oxalate + butan-1-ol	-1.2950	0.4423	-0.4962	0.2786	1.35
diethyl oxalate + octan-1-ol	-1.2900	0.1172	-0.5186	-0.1867	5.65
diethyl oxalate + decan-1-ol	-1.1827	-0.0512	-0.7010	0.2490	5.40
dibutyl phthalate + ethanol	1.4742	-0.7788	0.1039	-0.0942	4.61
dibutyl phthalate + butan-1-ol	-0.0417	0.0050	-0.5104	0.3165	3.60
dibutyl phthalate + octan-1-ol	-1.0558	0.1104	-0.2544	-0.0892	2.83
dibutyl phthalate + decan-1-ol	-1.2801	0.0568	-0.2236	-0.1893	2.35
vinyl acetate + ethanol	-1.1431	0.3204	-0.1354	0.0913	1.17
vinyl acetate + butan-1-ol	-1.4563	0.2981	-0.0923	-0.0126	1.85
vinyl acetate + octan-1-ol	-0.6603	0.0429	-0.0271	-0.3426	5.07
vinyl acetate + decan-1-ol	-0.1430	0.0656	-0.0881	-0.5236	4.48

mixture property. Esters and alkanols are designated as components 1 and 2, respectively. Dynamic viscosities  $\eta$  of the binary mixtures of three ester compounds with various alkanols are calculated from the measured density and



**Figure 1.** Excess molar volumes of vinyl acetate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, vinyl acetate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, vinyl acetate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, vinyl acetate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, vinyl acetate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.



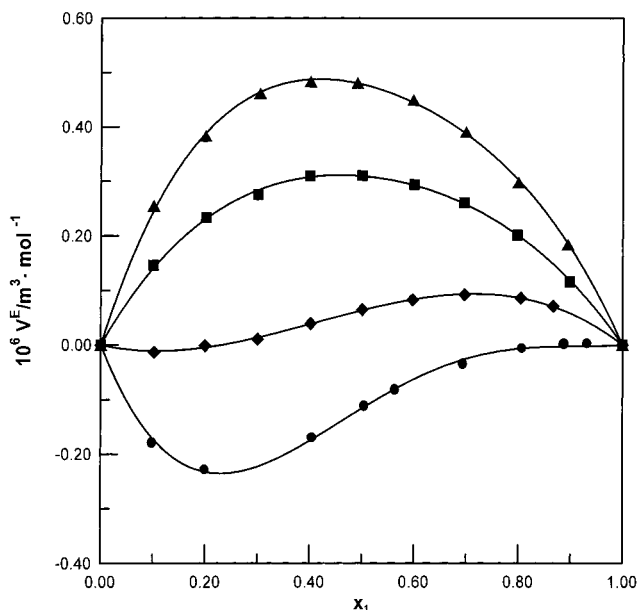
**Figure 2.** Excess molar volumes of diethyl oxalate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, diethyl oxalate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, diethyl oxalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, diethyl oxalate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, diethyl oxalate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.

kinematic viscosity data. The results are also listed in Tables 2–4, respectively. The deviation of viscosity was calculated by

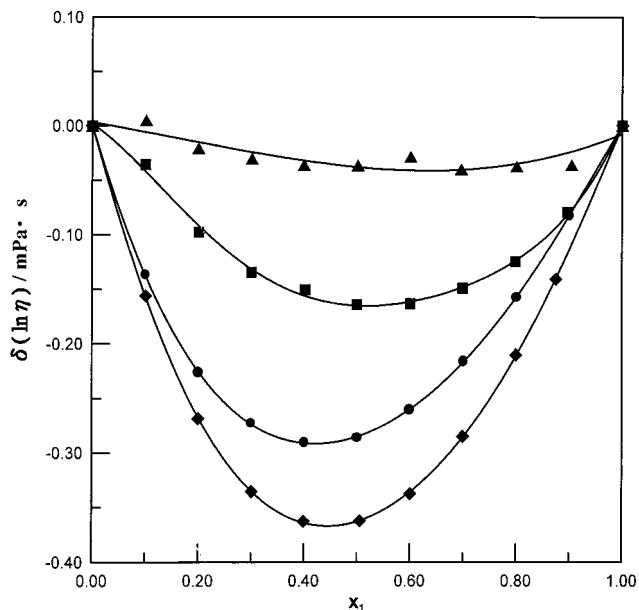
$$\delta(\ln \eta) = \ln \eta_m - \sum_{i=1}^2 x_i \ln \eta_i \quad (2)$$

The excess molar volumes and the deviations of viscosity were then correlated by a Redlich and Kister type equation<sup>7</sup>

$$V^E(\text{or } \delta(\ln \eta)) = x_1 x_2 \sum_{i=1}^{3 \text{ or } 4} a_{i-1} (x_1 - x_2)^{i-1} \quad (3)$$



**Figure 3.** Excess molar volumes of dibutyl phthalate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, dibutyl phthalate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, dibutyl phthalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, dibutyl phthalate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, dibutyl phthalate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.

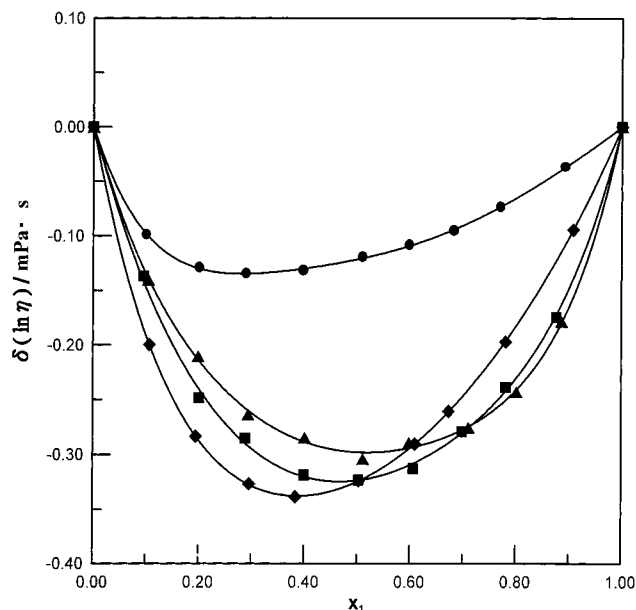


**Figure 4.** Deviation of viscosities of vinyl acetate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, vinyl acetate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, vinyl acetate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, vinyl acetate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, vinyl acetate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.

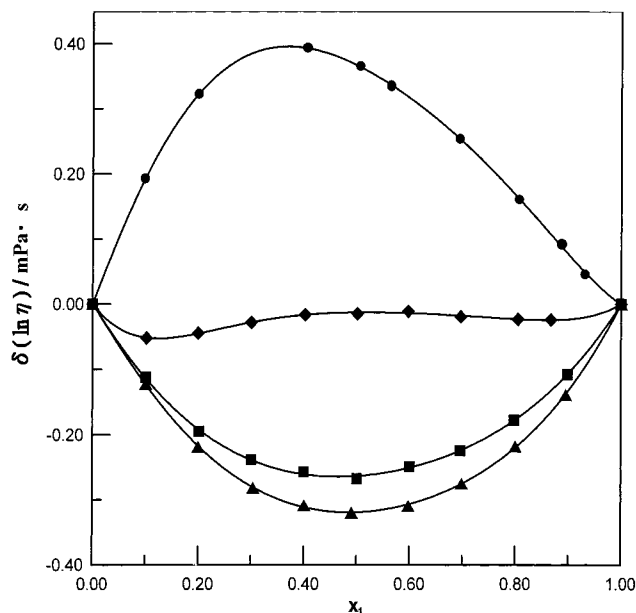
The coefficients in eq 3 were determined by the least-squares method, where the square of the difference between the experimental and calculated results is minimized. The optimally fitted coefficients in eq 3 for the excess molar volumes and the deviations of viscosity are listed in Tables 5 and 6, respectively. The standard deviations were calculated by

$$\sigma(Y) = \left[ \sum (Y^{\text{exp}} - Y^{\text{cal}})^2 / (m - n) \right]^{0.5} \quad (4)$$

where  $Y$  represents the excess molar volume or the deviation of viscosity,  $m$  is the number of data points, and  $n$  is the number of parameters. It is observed that the average



**Figure 5.** Deviation of viscosities of diethyl oxalate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, diethyl oxalate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, diethyl oxalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, diethyl oxalate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, diethyl oxalate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.



**Figure 6.** Deviation of viscosities of dibutyl phthalate (1) with various alkanols (2) at 303.15 K: ●, dibutyl phthalate (1) + ethanol (2); ◆, dibutyl phthalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2); ■, dibutyl phthalate (1) + octan-1-ol (2); ▲, dibutyl phthalate (1) + decan-1-ol (2); —, correlated results.

value of the standard deviations of the excess molar volumes for all binary systems is less than  $3 \times 10^{-9}$

$\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ . The average standard deviation value of the deviations of viscosity for all systems is 0.0034 mPa·s.

Graphical presentations of the excess molar volumes are shown in Figures 1–3, respectively. The binary mixtures of vinyl acetate with four alkanols show positive deviations in the complete concentration range. Maximum values of the excess molar volumes occur at the mole fractions of vinyl acetate between 0.5 and 0.6 for these binary mixtures. The positive values of  $V^E$  indicate the declustering of alkanols. The  $V^E$  values are negative at some concentration ranges for the binary mixtures of diethyl oxalate (1) + ethanol (2), dibutyl phthalate (1) + ethanol (2), and dibutyl phthalate (1) + butan-1-ol (2). Graphical presentations of the deviations of viscosities of various esters with four alkanols are shown in Figures 4–6, respectively. Good agreement between the correlated results and the experimental data is also observed.

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