

Densities of Ionic Liquids, 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium Hexafluorophosphate and 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium Tetrafluoroborate, with Benzene, Acetonitrile, and 1-Propanol at $T = (293.15 \text{ to } 343.15) \text{ K}$

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Densities of mixtures of 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate ($[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$) and 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ($[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$) with acetonitrile over the entire composition range at $T = (293.15 \text{ to } 343.15) \text{ K}$ and with benzene and 1-propanol over the miscible composition range at $T = (293.15 \text{ to } 343.15) \text{ K}$ were measured by a vibrating tube densimeter. Density measurements were used to compute the excess molar volumes, V^E . The V^E values have been fitted to the Redlich–Kister equation. V^E values are negative for all the mixtures over the miscible range and become more negative with increasing temperature. The V^E values for benzene mixtures are the most negative in the investigation.

Introduction

Room-temperature ionic liquids (RTILs) are a class of organic molten salts that are composed entirely of anions and cations.¹ Particularly, properties and data of the mixtures of ionic liquids with organic molecular solutes that are imperative for the design of many technological processes are very limited. The $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ and $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ are the most important investigated ionic liquids. In this paper, we report the densities for $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ and $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ with acetonitrile, benzene, and 1-propanol over several temperatures and at atmospheric pressure from which the excess molar volume V^E value has been calculated.

Experimental Section

Materials. $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ and $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ were obtained from Henan Lihua Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd with mass fraction of > 0.98 , and they contained less than $2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mass fraction water. These data were stated by the supplier. Ionic liquids were used after being vacuum desiccated for at least 4 h to remove trace amounts of water. Other chemicals used in this study were supplied by Tianjin Reagent Co., although the organic solvents were dried over 0.4 nm molecular sieves and degassed by ultrasound prior to their use. The mass fraction purities determined by gas chromatography were as follows: acetonitrile (> 0.998), benzene (> 0.998), 1-propanol (> 0.998). During the course of the experiments, the purity of the solvents was monitored by density measurements.

Apparatus and Procedure. The densities of the pure components and their mixtures were measured with a high precision vibrating tube digital density meter (density/specific gravity meter DA 505, KEM, Japan) whose measurement cell temperature was controlled automatically within $\pm 0.01 \text{ K}$ of the selected value. The uncertainty in density measurements was $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$. Density measurements were reproducible to $\pm 3 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$.

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The liquid mixtures were prepared by mass using a BP210s balance accurate to within $\pm 0.01 \text{ mg}$. The average uncertainty in the mole fraction of the mixtures was estimated to be less than ± 0.0001 . The molar excess volumes were calculated from composition density data with an uncertainty greater than $\pm 0.002 \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$. All molar quantities were based on the IUPAC relative atomic mass table.

Results and Discussion

In the experiments, the densities for one composition were measured at different temperatures. Densities of pure compounds were reported in Table 1 together with the corresponding literature values. For the densities, good agreement was found between the measured and literature values for all these pure substances. There was an appreciable difference for the density data among the various literature for $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ because of the different water content.

The experimental density ρ data for the acetonitrile (1) + $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ (2), acetonitrile (1) + $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ (2), benzene (1) + $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ (2), benzene (1) + $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ (2), 1-propanol (1) + $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ (2) mixtures, as a function of $[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ or $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$ mole fraction (x_2) at the temperature range $T = (293.15 \text{ to } 343.15) \text{ K}$ are presented respectively in Table 2.

Values of excess molar volume (V^E) were calculated using the following relation:²

$$V^E = \frac{x_1 M_1 + x_2 M_2}{\rho} - \frac{x_1 M_1}{\rho_1} - \frac{x_2 M_2}{\rho_2} \quad (1)$$

where x_i , M_i , and ρ_i are mole fractions, molar mass, and densities of component i , respectively, and ρ is the density of mixture. Subscript $i = 1$ is for the organic solvents (acetonitrile, benzene, or 1-propanol), and $i = 2$ is for the ionic liquids ($[\text{BMIM}][\text{PF}_6]$ or $[\text{BMIM}][\text{BF}_4]$).

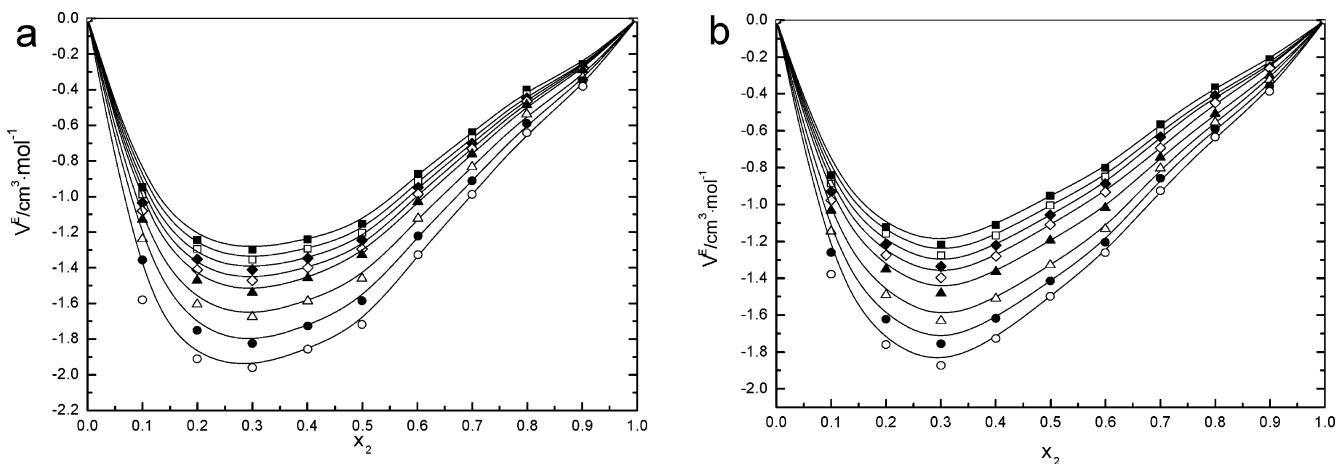


Figure 1. Excess molar volume variation with mole fraction to systems (a) acetonitrile (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2) and (b) acetonitrile (1) + [BMIM][PF₆] (2) for the following experimental values: ■, 293.15 K; □, 298.15 K; ◆, 303.15 K; ◇, 308.15 K; ▲, 313.15 K; △, 323.15 K; ●, 333.15 K; ○, 343.15 K; solid line, Redlich-Kister (eq 2).

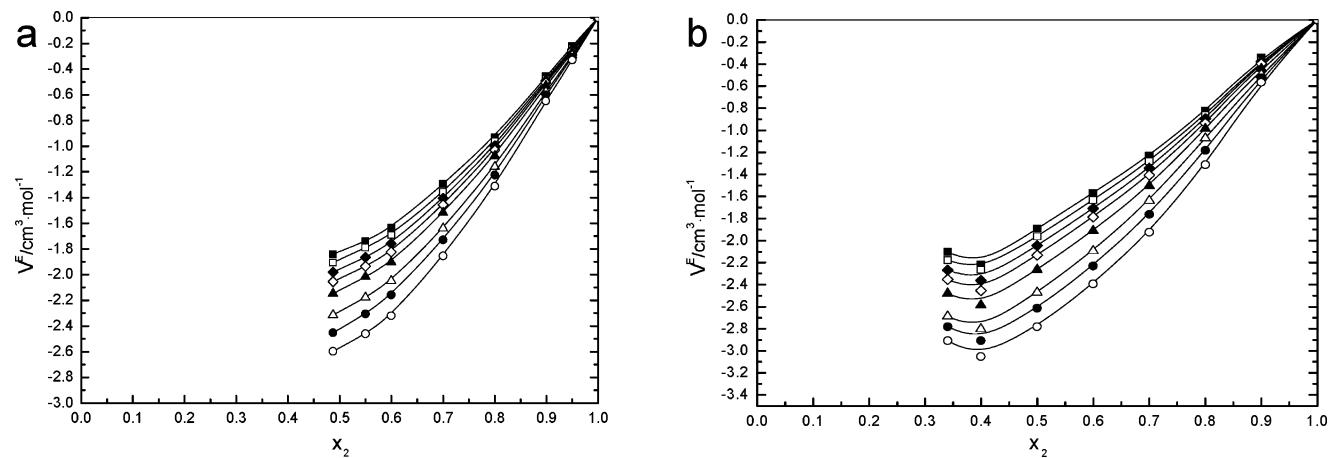


Figure 2. Excess molar volume variation with mole fraction to systems (a) benzene (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2) and (b) benzene (1) + [BMIM][PF₆] (2) for the following experimental values: ■, 293.15 K; □, 298.15 K; ◆, 303.15 K; ◇, 308.15 K; ▲, 313.15 K; △, 323.15 K; ●, 333.15 K; ○, 343.15 K; solid line, Redlich-Kister (eq 2).

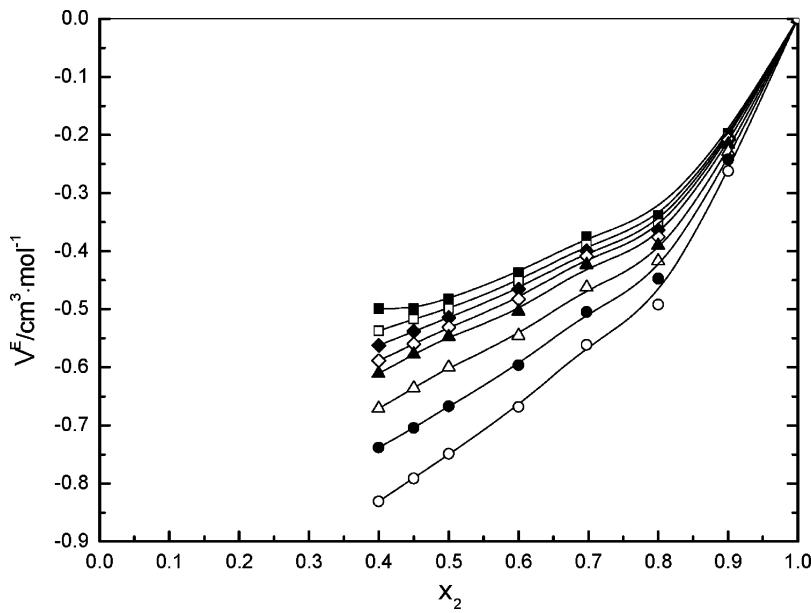


Figure 3. Excess molar volume variation with mole fraction to systems 1-propanol (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2) for the following experimental values: ■, 293.15 K; □, 298.15 K; ◆, 303.15 K; ◇, 308.15 K; ▲, 313.15 K; △, 323.15 K; ●, 333.15 K; ○, 343.15 K; solid line, Redlich-Kister (eq 2).

is only partially miscible in [BMIM][PF₆] and [BMIM][BF₄], the experimental V^E values are shown in their miscible range. As can be seen from Figure 4, the V^E values for benzene

mixtures are more negative than any other mixtures at 298.15 K. The V^E values for [BMIM][PF₆] mixtures are as negative as the [BMIM][BF₄] mixtures at 298.15 K.

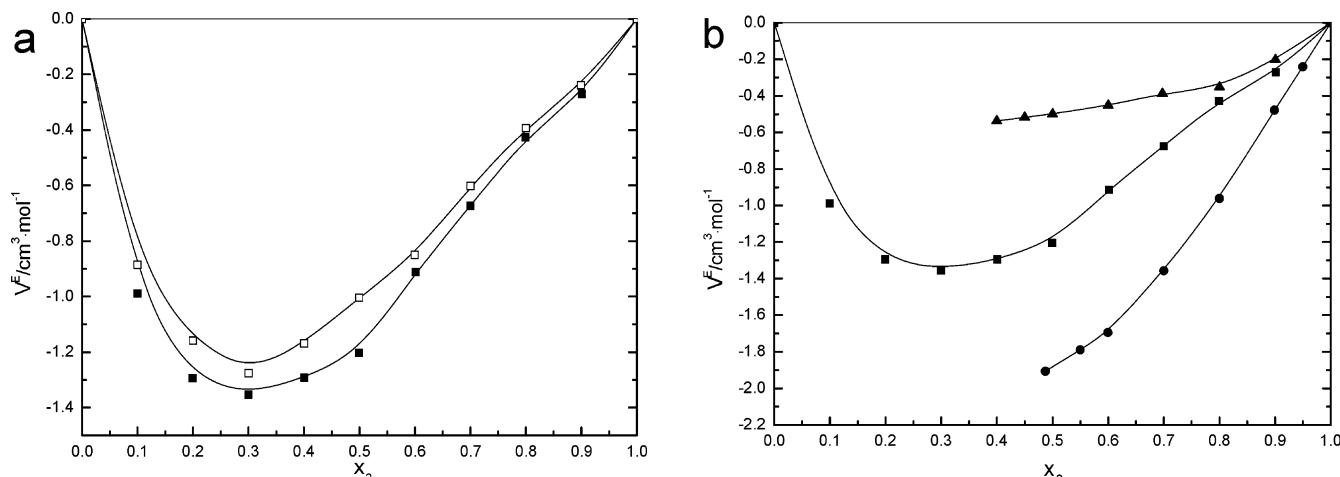


Figure 4. Excess molar volume variation with mole fraction to systems (a) ■, acetonitrile (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2); □, acetonitrile (1) + [BMIM][PF₆] (2); and (b) ■, acetonitrile (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2); ●, benzene (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2); ▲, 1-propanol (1) + [BMIM][BF₄] (2) for experimental values at 298.15 K; solid line, Redlich-Kister (eq 2).

Conclusions

Densities of the binary systems of ionic liquids ([BMIM]-[PF₆] or [BMIM]-[BF₄]) and organic solvents (acetonitrile, benzene, or 1-propanol) have been measured at several temperatures and for the miscible range. The excess molar volumes were computed at $T = (293.15$ to $343.15)$ K. The computed quantities have been fitted to the Redlich-Kister equation. V^E values are negatives for all the mixtures over the miscible range and become more negative with increasing temperature. The V^E values for benzene mixtures are the most negative in the investigation.

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