

# Viscosity and Density of the System NaCl + LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O and Its Binary Subsystems at Different Temperatures

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Densities and viscosities were measured at (293.15, 298.15, and 303.15) K for the ternary system NaCl + LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O and its binary subsystems NaCl + H<sub>2</sub>O and LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O. The results were used to test the applicability of simple equations for the densities and viscosities of the multicomponent solutions. The predictions agree well with measured values, implying that the densities and viscosities of the examined electrolyte solutions can be related to those of their constituent binary solutions using the simple equations.

## Introduction

The thermodynamic and transport properties of multicomponent aqueous electrolyte solutions play an important role in a variety of fields such as chemistry and chemical engineering, separation processes, wastewater treatment, pollution control, and oil recovery. Up to now, extensive data have been reported in the literature for the thermodynamic and transport properties of binary aqueous electrolyte solutions, but relatively few measurements have been made on ternary and multicomponent electrolyte solutions, especially on aqueous solutions of (1:1 + 1:3) electrolyte mixtures. Therefore, one of the objectives of the theory of electrolyte solutions is to calculate various properties of multicomponent electrolyte solutions in terms of the properties of binary solutions, and much effort has indeed been made in the literature to develop simple equations that can make full use of the available information on binary electrolyte solutions and provide sufficient accuracy for predicting the properties of multicomponent solutions.<sup>1–8</sup> Up to now, such simple equations have been established for thermodynamic properties, including activity coefficients of either solute in the multicomponent solutions, volumetric properties, thermal properties, and surface tension. (For example, see refs 1 to 8a.) To extend the simple equations for thermodynamic properties to transport properties (viscosity), Patwardhan and Kumar's equation<sup>5</sup> has also been used together with Eyring's absolute rate theory<sup>9</sup> to establish simple equations for the viscosity of the multicomponent solutions.<sup>8b</sup> These simple equations could be used to predict the thermodynamic properties and viscosities of multicomponent solutions from the properties of their binary subsystems. Their accuracy has been tested by systematic comparison with experimental data for the multicomponent nonelectrolyte solutions<sup>10</sup> and the multicomponent electrolyte solutions (including strong electrolyte mixtures with and without common ions and electrolyte mixtures containing transition metal chlorides). However, because the densities and viscosities of aqueous solutions of (1:1 + 1:3) electrolyte mixtures are not available in the literature to our knowledge, tests were limited to aqueous solutions of (1:1 + 1:1) and (1:1 + 1:2) electrolyte mixtures. Therefore, in this study the densities and viscosities were measured for the ternary system NaCl + LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O

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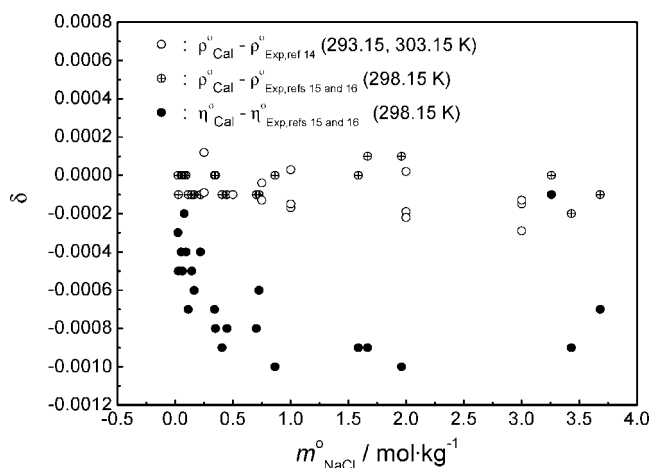


Figure 1. Variation of the  $\delta$  value with the molality for the binary system NaCl + H<sub>2</sub>O at different temperatures.

and its binary subsystems NaCl + H<sub>2</sub>O and LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O at different temperatures, and the results were used to check the applicability of the above-mentioned equations.

## Experimental Section

Ultrapure NaCl was dried under vacuum over CaCl<sub>2</sub> for 7 days at 423 K immediately prior to use. Reagent grade LaCl<sub>3</sub> was dissolved into double-distilled deionized water and filtered twice. The molalities of LaCl<sub>3</sub> stock solutions were analyzed by EDTA and titration (of Cl<sup>-</sup> with AgNO<sub>3</sub>) methods.<sup>3</sup> The La<sup>3+</sup> concentration was determined by EDTA titration with a precision of 0.05 % and an accuracy of 0.10 %. The Cl<sup>-</sup> concentration was determined by the AgNO<sub>3</sub> titration with an accuracy of 0.10 % and a precision of 0.05 %.

The experimental procedures are similar to those used in our previous study<sup>10</sup> and are described briefly as follows. The NaCl solutions were prepared by mass using double-distilled deionized water and each of the solutes with a precision of  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  g. All masses were corrected to vacuum. We made the LaCl<sub>3</sub> solutions by diluting a stock solution of LaCl<sub>3</sub> with its concentration determined above. We prepared the ternary solutions by mixing the binary solutions. All solutions were immediately prepared before use, and the uncertainty was  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  mol·kg<sup>-1</sup>. Densities

**Table 1. Parameters for the Binary System NaCl (B) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

	$\rho_{293.15}$	$\rho_{298.15}$	$\rho_{303.15}$		$\eta_{293.15}$	$\eta_{298.15}$	$\eta_{303.15}$
A <sub>1</sub>	-0.006498	-0.005560	-0.007959	B <sub>1</sub>	0.065500	0.058124	-0.045780
A <sub>2</sub>	0.070243	0.065506	0.074340	B <sub>2</sub>	-0.238449	-0.076081	0.344863
A <sub>3</sub>	-0.044528	-0.038104	-0.052031	B <sub>3</sub>	0.754023	0.223297	-0.421932
A <sub>4</sub>	0.028552	0.024052	0.034227	B <sub>4</sub>	-0.842095	-0.183737	0.316916
A <sub>5</sub>	-0.009572	-0.007989	-0.011539	B <sub>5</sub>	0.500564	0.091252	-0.129447
A <sub>6</sub>	0.001217	0.000994	0.001473	B <sub>6</sub>	-0.149160	-0.021838	0.030662
$\Delta\rho$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	B <sub>7</sub>	0.017762	0.002264	-0.002871
				$\Delta\eta$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

**Table 2. Parameters for the Binary System LaCl<sub>3</sub> (B) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

	$\rho_{293.15}$	$\rho_{298.15}$	$\rho_{303.15}$		$\eta_{293.15}$	$\eta_{298.15}$	$\eta_{303.15}$
A <sub>1</sub>	-0.028208	-0.036953	-0.024536	B <sub>1</sub>	1.588309	1.320733	1.230570
A <sub>2</sub>	0.395941	0.484173	0.395950	B <sub>2</sub>	-10.904906	-9.079454	-8.550617
A <sub>3</sub>	-0.550460	-0.669862	-0.438805	B <sub>3</sub>	33.621577	27.980370	26.741411
A <sub>4</sub>	0.647714	0.810238	0.515060	B <sub>4</sub>	-52.172624	-43.072104	-42.062402
A <sub>5</sub>	-0.394368	-0.499348	-0.315189	B <sub>5</sub>	46.730069	38.298960	38.249766
A <sub>6</sub>	0.097124	0.123238	0.078556	B <sub>6</sub>	-22.605239	-18.416178	-18.806568
$\Delta\rho$	$8.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	B <sub>7</sub>	4.573367	3.708666	3.869389
				$\Delta\eta$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

**Table 3. Densities and Viscosities of the Binary System NaCl (B) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

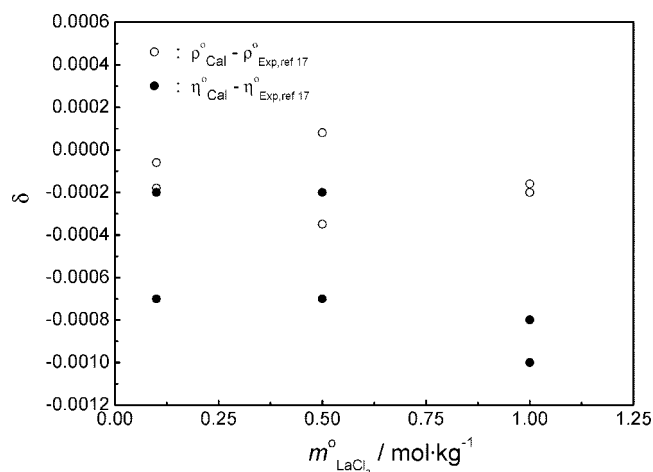
$m_B$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$\rho_{293.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\rho_{298.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\rho_{303.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\eta_{293.15}$ mPa·s	$\eta_{298.15}$ mPa·s	$\eta_{303.15}$ mPa·s
0.2076	1.0063	1.0057	1.0040	1.0120	0.9082	0.8115
0.3959	1.0140	1.0132	1.0117	1.0312	0.9237	0.8306
0.5997	1.0220	1.0212	1.0196	1.0536	0.9408	0.8489
0.7817	1.0290	1.0281	1.0264	1.0726	0.9565	0.8638
1.0102	1.0376	1.0366	1.0348	1.0977	0.9769	0.8825
1.1987	1.0445	1.0434	1.0414	1.1168	0.9944	0.8980
1.5018	1.0554	1.0543	1.0523	1.1508	1.0239	0.9236
1.7945	1.0657	1.0645	1.0625	1.1836	1.0541	0.9496
2.0038	1.0731	1.0718	1.0697	1.2082	1.0769	0.9695
2.4085	1.0869	1.0855	1.0834	1.2560	1.1240	1.0108
2.9996	1.1065	1.1050	1.1027	1.3316	1.2005	1.0802
3.5952	1.1255	1.1238	1.1214	1.4120	1.2878	1.1618
4.1858	1.1435	1.1417	1.1392	1.4962	1.3855	1.2562
4.8125	1.1621	1.1600	1.1575	1.5918	1.5021	1.3726

**Table 4. Densities and Viscosities of the Binary Systems LaCl<sub>3</sub> (C) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

$m_C$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$\rho_{293.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\rho_{298.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\rho_{303.15}$ g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\eta_{293.15}$ mPa·s	$\eta_{298.15}$ mPa·s	$\eta_{303.15}$ mPa·s
0.0996	1.0208	1.0194	1.0180	1.0678	0.9503	0.8517
0.1997	1.0437	1.0421	1.0404	1.1089	0.9881	0.8863
0.2997	1.0656	1.0638	1.0620	1.1762	1.0488	0.9414
0.3994	1.0869	1.0850	1.0832	1.2552	1.1198	1.0056
0.4984	1.1077	1.1058	1.1039	1.3405	1.1963	1.0748
0.6000	1.1289	1.1269	1.1250	1.4325	1.2787	1.1493
0.6981	1.1491	1.1472	1.1453	1.5244	1.3609	1.2236
0.7983	1.1696	1.1677	1.1658	1.6205	1.4468	1.3012
0.9256	1.1955	1.1937	1.1918	1.7450	1.5580	1.4016
1.2011	1.2511	1.2495	1.2478	2.0204	1.8039	1.6236

of solutions were measured with a KEM oscillating-tube digital densimeter (DA-505) thermostatted to better than  $\pm 0.01$  K. The temperature in the measuring cell was monitored with a digital thermometer. The densimeter was calibrated by double-distilled water and dry air. The densities of water at different temperatures were obtained from the literature.<sup>11</sup> The densities of water and air at 298.15 K were taken as  $0.99701 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$  and  $1.18434 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ ,<sup>10</sup> respectively. In all of the measured variables, the uncertainty in densities was  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ .

Viscosities were measured using a modified Cannon-Ubbelohde suspended level capillary viscometer. A thoroughly cleaned and perfectly dried viscometer filled with liquid was placed vertically in a glass-sided water thermostat. The temperature was maintained at  $(298.15 \pm 0.01)$  K. After

**Figure 2.** Variation of the  $\delta$  value with the molality for the binary system LaCl<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O at different temperatures.

thermal equilibrium was attained, the efflux times of flow of the liquids were recorded with a digital stop watch with a precision of  $\pm 0.01$  s. Triplicate measurements were performed at each composition. At 298.15 K, the viscosity of water was  $0.8903 \text{ mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ ,<sup>11</sup> and the uncertainty in viscosity was  $\pm 2 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ mPa}\cdot\text{s}$ . The viscosity of the solution is given by

$$\eta = \eta_0 \frac{\rho\tau}{\rho_0\tau_0} \quad (1)$$

where  $\eta_0$  is the viscosity of water,  $\rho$  and  $\rho_0$  are the densities of the solution and water, respectively, and  $\tau$  and  $\tau_0$  are the flow times of the solution and water, respectively.

### Predictive Equations for Density and Viscosity of Multicomponent Electrolyte Solutions

In the following section, the variables with the superscript (i<sub>0</sub>) together with the subscript  $M_iX_i$  were used to denote the quantities of component  $M_iX_i$  in the binary solution  $M_iX_i + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) having the same water activity as that of a multicomponent solution, and those without the superscript *o* denote the corresponding quantities in the multicomponent solution.

The linear isopiestic relation<sup>1-3,12</sup> can be expressed as

$$\sum_i \frac{m_{M_iX_i}}{m_{M_iX_i}^{(io)}} = 1 \left( a_w = \text{constant and } 0 \leq \frac{m_{M_iX_i}}{m_{M_iX_i}^{(io)}} \leq 1 \right) \quad (2)$$

where  $m_{M_iX_i}$  and  $m_{M_iX_i}^{(io)}$  are the molalities of  $M_iX_i$  in multicomponent aqueous solution  $M_1X_1 + \dots + M_nX_n + H_2O$  and its binary subsystems  $M_iX_i + H_2O$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) of equal water activity.

According to the semi-ideal solution theory, the density of a multicomponent electrolyte solution is related to those of its constituent binary solutions of equal water activity by<sup>2,3</sup>

$$\rho = \sum_i Y_{M_iX_i} / \sum_i (Y_{M_iX_i} / \rho_{M_iX_i}^{(io)}) \quad (3)$$

with  $Y_{M_iX_i} = m_{M_iX_i} / (m_{M_iX_i}^{(io)} + m_{M_iX_i} M_{M_iX_i})$ , where  $m$ ,  $\rho$ , and  $M$  denote molality, density, and molar mass. The density equation of Patwardhan and Kumar<sup>6</sup> is expressed as

$$\rho = \sum_i Y_{M_iX_i} / \sum_i (Y_{M_iX_i} / \rho_{M_iX_i}^{o,1}) \quad (4)$$

with  $Y_{M_iX_i} = y_{M_iX_i} + m_{M_iX_i} M_{M_iX_i}$ , where  $y_{M_iX_i}$  is the ionic strength fraction and  $\rho_{M_iX_i}^{o,1}$  is the density of the binary solution having

**Table 5. Comparisons of Measured and Predicted Densities of the Ternary Systems NaCl (B) + LaCl<sub>3</sub> (C) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

$m_B$		$m_C$		$\rho / \text{g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$		$\Delta \rho$		$m_B$		$m_C$		$\rho / \text{g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$		$\Delta \rho$	
$\text{mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$		$\text{mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$		exptl		eq 4		$\text{mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$		$\text{mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$		exptl		eq 4	
293.15 K															
0.0306	0.0945	1.0203	1.0209	0.0006	0.0306	0.0945	1.0176	1.0181	0.0005	0.0306	0.0945	1.0176	1.0181	0.0005	
0.0681	0.0883	1.0207	1.0209	0.0002	0.0681	0.0883	1.0174	1.0182	0.0008	0.0681	0.0883	1.0174	1.0182	0.0008	
0.1325	0.0776	1.0207	1.0211	0.0004	0.1325	0.0776	1.0179	1.0184	0.0005	0.1325	0.0776	1.0179	1.0184	0.0005	
0.2706	0.0547	1.0215	1.0214	-0.0001	0.2706	0.0547	1.0180	1.0187	0.0007	0.2706	0.0547	1.0180	1.0187	0.0007	
0.1312	0.1780	1.0429	1.0438	0.0009	0.0586	0.1900	1.0397	1.0405	0.0008	0.0586	0.1900	1.0397	1.0405	0.0008	
0.2661	0.1554	1.0429	1.0439	0.0010	0.1312	0.1780	1.0399	1.0405	0.0006	0.1312	0.1780	1.0399	1.0405	0.0006	
0.0869	0.2852	1.0643	1.0656	0.0013	0.2661	0.1554	1.0399	1.0407	0.0008	0.0869	0.2852	1.0643	1.0656	0.0013	
0.1901	0.2679	1.0646	1.0656	0.0010	0.0869	0.2852	1.0613	1.0620	0.0007	0.1901	0.2679	1.0646	1.0656	0.0010	
0.3898	0.2346	1.0651	1.0656	0.0005	0.1901	0.2680	1.0615	1.0621	0.0006	0.3898	0.2346	1.0651	1.0656	0.0005	
0.7867	0.1683	1.0657	1.0657	0.0000	0.7867	0.1683	1.0612	1.0621	0.0009	0.7867	0.1683	1.0657	1.0657	0.0000	
0.1212	0.3793	1.0857	1.0869	0.0012	0.1212	0.3793	1.0614	1.0622	0.0008	0.1212	0.3793	1.0857	1.0869	0.0012	
0.2613	0.3560	1.0859	1.0869	0.0010	0.2613	0.3560	1.0826	1.0832	0.0006	0.2613	0.3560	1.0859	1.0869	0.0010	
0.5230	0.3126	1.0859	1.0869	0.0010	0.5230	0.3126	1.0823	1.0832	0.0009	0.5230	0.3126	1.0859	1.0869	0.0010	
1.0507	0.2251	1.0870	1.0869	-0.0001	1.0507	0.2251	1.0824	1.0832	0.0008	1.0507	0.2251	1.0870	1.0869	-0.0001	
0.1391	0.4753	1.1069	1.1077	0.0008	0.1391	0.4753	1.0825	1.0832	0.0007	0.1391	0.4753	1.1069	1.1077	0.0008	
0.6485	0.3907	1.1063	1.1075	0.0012	0.6485	0.3907	1.1033	1.1039	0.0006	0.6485	0.3907	1.1063	1.1075	0.0012	
1.2936	0.2835	1.1078	1.1072	-0.0006	1.2936	0.2835	1.1031	1.1038	0.0007	1.2936	0.2835	1.1078	1.1072	-0.0006	
0.1672	0.5721	1.1275	1.1287	0.0012	0.1672	0.5721	1.1028	1.1036	0.0008	0.1672	0.5721	1.1275	1.1287	0.0012	
0.3804	0.5365	1.1280	1.1285	0.0005	0.3804	0.5365	1.1025	1.1034	0.0009	0.3804	0.5365	1.1280	1.1285	0.0005	
0.7709	0.4713	1.1276	1.1281	0.0005	0.7709	0.4713	1.1242	1.1248	0.0006	0.7709	0.4713	1.1276	1.1281	0.0005	
1.5503	0.3413	1.1277	1.1274	-0.0003	1.5503	0.3413	1.1238	1.1246	0.0008	1.5503	0.3413	1.1277	1.1274	-0.0003	
0.1891	0.6666	1.1482	1.1488	0.0006	0.1891	0.6666	1.1233	1.1242	0.0009	0.1891	0.6666	1.1482	1.1488	0.0006	
0.4483	0.6233	1.1476	1.1485	0.0009	0.4483	0.6233	1.1225	1.1234	0.0009	0.4483	0.6233	1.1476	1.1485	0.0009	
0.8962	0.5486	1.1469	1.1479	0.0010	0.8962	0.5486	1.1445	1.1450	0.0005	0.8962	0.5486	1.1469	1.1479	0.0010	
1.8036	0.3973	1.1477	1.1466	-0.0011	1.8036	0.3973	1.1439	1.1446	0.0007	1.8036	0.3973	1.1477	1.1466	-0.0011	
0.2226	0.7612	1.1687	1.1692	0.0005	0.2226	0.7612	1.1431	1.1439	0.0008	0.2226	0.7612	1.1687	1.1692	0.0005	
0.5080	0.7137	1.1674	1.1687	0.0013	0.5080	0.7137	1.1415	1.1426	0.0011	0.5080	0.7137	1.1674	1.1687	0.0013	
1.0150	0.6292	1.1667	1.1678	0.0011	1.0150	0.6292	1.1648	1.1654	0.0006	1.0150	0.6292	1.1667	1.1678	0.0011	
			$\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}}$	$6.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$			1.1638	1.1648	0.0010				$\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}}$	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	
298.15 K															
0.0306	0.0945	1.0193	1.0195	0.0002	0.0306	0.0945	1.1627	1.1638	0.0011	0.0306	0.0945	1.0193	1.0195	0.0002	
0.0681	0.0883	1.0200	1.0196	-0.0004	0.0681	0.0883		$\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}}$	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.0681	0.0883	1.0200	1.0196	-0.0004	
0.1325	0.0776	1.0198	1.0198	0.0000	0.1325	0.0776				0.1325	0.0776	1.0198	1.0198	0.0000	
0.2706	0.0547	1.0207	1.0202	-0.0005	0.2706	0.0547				0.2706	0.0547	1.0207	1.0202	-0.0005	
0.0586	0.1900	1.0414	1.0422	0.0008	0.0586	0.1900				0.0586	0.1900	1.0414	1.0422	0.0008	
0.1312	0.1779	1.0420	1.0423	0.0003	0.1312	0.1779				0.1312	0.1779	1.0420	1.0423	0.0003	
0.2661	0.1554	1.0421	1.0424	0.0003	0.2661	0.1554				0.2661	0.1554	1.0421	1.0424	0.0003	
0.0869	0.2852	1.0634	1.0639	0.0005	0.0869	0.2852				0.0869	0.2852	1.0634	1.0639	0.0005	
0.1901	0.2679	1.0637	1.0639	0.0002	0.1901	0.2679				0.1901	0.2679	1.0637	1.0639	0.0002	
0.3898	0.2346	1.0639	1.0640	0.0001	0.3898	0.2346				0.3898	0.2346	1.0639	1.0640	0.0001	
0.7867	0.1683	1.0645	1.0641	-0.0004	0.7867	0.1683				0.7867	0.1683	1.0645	1.0641	-0.0004	
0.1212	0.3793	1.0841	1.0850	0.0009	0.1212	0.3793				0.1212	0.3793	1.0841	1.0850	0.0009	
0.2613	0.3560	1.0840	1.0850	0.0010	0.2613	0.3560				0.2613	0.3560	1.0840	1.0850	0.0010	
0.5230	0.3126	1.0847	1.0851	0.0004	0.5230	0.3126				0.5230	0.3126	1.0847	1.0851	0.0004	
1.0507	0.2251	1.0857	1.0852	-0.0005	1.0507	0.2251				1.0507	0.2251	1.0857	1.0852	-0.0005	
0.1391	0.4753	1.1043	1.1056	0.0013	0.1391	0.4753				0.1391	0.4753	1.1043	1.1056	0.0013	
0.3331	0.4431	1.1051	1.1056	0.0005	0.3331	0.4431				0.3331	0.4431	1.1051	1.1056	0.0005	
1.2936	0.2835	1.1062	1.1054	-0.0008	1.2936	0.2835				1.2936	0.2835	1.1062	1.1054	-0.0008	
0.1672	0.5721	1.1263	1.1268	0.0005	0.1672	0.5721				0.1672	0.5721	1.1263	1.1268	0.0005	
0.3804	0.5365	1.1265	1.1266	0.0001	0.3804	0.5365				0.3804	0.5365	1.1265	1.1266	0.0001	
0.7709	0.4713	1.1259	1.1262	0.0003	0.7709	0.4713				0.7709	0.4713	1.1259	1.1262	0.0003	
1.5503	0.3413	1.1261	1.1255	-0.0006	1.5503	0.3413				1.5503	0.3413	1.1261	1.1255	-0.0006	
0.4483	0.6233	1.1458	1.1465	0.0007	0.4483	0.6233				0.4483	0.6233	1.1458	1.1465	0.0007	
0.8962	0.5486	1.1447	1.1458	0.0011	0.8962	0.5486				0.8962	0.5486	1.1447	1.1458	0.0011	
1.8036	0.3972	1.1460	1.1449	-0.0011	1.8036	0.3972				1.8036	0.3972	1.1460	1.1449	-0.0011	
0.2226	0.7612	1.1660	1.1670	0.0010	0.2226	0.7612				0.2226	0.7612	1.1660	1.1670	0.0010	
0.5080	0.7137	1.1661	1.1668	0.0007	0.5080	0.7137				0.5080	0.7137	1.1661	1.1668	0.0007	
1.0150	0.6292	1.1647	1.1659	0.0012	1.0150	0.6292				1.0150	0.6292	1.1647	1.1659	0.0012	
			$\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}}$	$6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$									$\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}}$	$6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	

<sup>a</sup>  $\Delta_p^{\text{eq4a}} = \sum_{i=1}^N (\rho_{M_iX_i}(\text{eq4}) - \rho_{M_iX_i}(\text{Exptl})) / \rho_{M_iX_i}(\text{Exptl}) / N$ .

**Table 6. Comparisons of Measured and Predicted Viscosities of the Ternary Systems NaCl (B) + LaCl<sub>3</sub> (C) + H<sub>2</sub>O (A) at Different Temperatures**

$m_B$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$m_C$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$\eta$ /mPa·s		$\Delta\eta$ mPa·s	$m_B$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$m_C$ mol·kg <sup>-1</sup>	$\eta$ /mPa·s		$\Delta\eta$ mPa·s
		exptl	eq 5				exptl	eq 5	
293.15 K									
0.0306	0.0945	1.0610	1.0660	0.0050	0.0306	0.0945	0.8475	0.8507	0.0032
0.0681	0.0883	1.0563	1.0642	0.0079	0.0681	0.0883	0.8440	0.8498	0.0058
0.2706	0.0547	1.0585	1.0567	-0.0018	0.1325	0.0776	0.8426	0.8486	0.0060
0.0586	0.1900	1.1095	1.1074	-0.0021	0.2706	0.0547	0.8444	0.8468	0.0024
0.1312	0.1779	1.1096	1.1061	-0.0035	0.0586	0.1900	0.8877	0.8853	-0.0024
0.2661	0.1554	1.1119	1.1045	-0.0074	0.1312	0.1779	0.8905	0.8846	-0.0059
0.0869	0.2852	1.1784	1.1734	-0.0050	0.2661	0.1554	0.8938	0.8839	-0.0099
0.1901	0.2679	1.1808	1.1710	-0.0098	0.0869	0.2852	0.9445	0.9392	-0.0053
0.3898	0.2346	1.1822	1.1680	-0.0142	0.1901	0.2679	0.9475	0.9375	-0.0100
0.1212	0.3793	1.2561	1.2507	-0.0054	0.1212	0.3793	1.0078	1.0022	-0.0056
0.2613	0.3560	1.2597	1.2468	-0.0129	0.2613	0.3560	1.0105	0.9994	-0.0111
1.0507	0.2251	1.2515	1.2355	-0.0160	0.5230	0.3126	1.0082	0.9956	-0.0126
0.1391	0.4753	1.3419	1.3343	-0.0076	1.0507	0.2251	1.0069	0.9917	-0.0152
0.3331	0.4431	1.3435	1.3280	-0.0155	0.1391	0.4753	1.0766	1.0704	-0.0062
0.6485	0.3907	1.3380	1.3202	-0.0178	0.3331	0.4431	1.0775	1.0662	-0.0113
1.2936	0.2835	1.3236	1.3100	-0.0126	0.6485	0.3907	1.0715	1.0612	-0.0103
0.1672	0.5721	1.4245	1.4241	-0.0004	1.2936	0.2835	1.0609	1.0557	-0.0052
0.3804	0.5365	1.4228	1.4161	-0.0067	0.1672	0.5721	1.1421	1.1439	0.0018
0.7709	0.4713	1.4176	1.4046	-0.0130	0.3804	0.5365	1.1399	1.1393	-0.0006
1.5503	0.3413	1.4056	1.3896	-0.0160	0.7709	0.4713	1.1366	1.1333	-0.0033
0.1891	0.6666	1.5125	1.5142	0.0017	1.5503	0.3413	1.1282	1.1275	-0.0007
0.4483	0.6233	1.5001	1.5037	0.0036	0.1891	0.6666	1.2127	1.2180	0.0053
0.8962	0.5486	1.4911	1.4895	-0.0016	0.4483	0.6233	1.2016	1.2131	0.0115
1.8036	0.3973	1.4778	1.4704	-0.0074	0.8962	0.5486	1.1945	1.2077	0.0132
0.2226	0.7612	1.6097	1.6079	-0.0018	1.8036	0.3973	1.1887	1.2041	0.0154
0.5080	0.7137	1.5890	1.5959	0.0069	0.2226	0.7612	1.2919	1.2956	0.0037
1.0150	0.6292	1.5798	1.5791	-0.0007	0.5080	0.7137	1.2882	1.2917	0.0035
			$\Delta\eta^{\text{eq5a}}$	$5.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1.0150	0.6292	1.2681	1.2880	0.0099
								$\Delta\eta^{\text{eq5a}}$	$6.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$
298.15 K									
0.0306	0.0945	0.9463	0.9489	0.0026					
0.0681	0.0883	0.9436	0.9475	0.0039					
0.1325	0.0776	0.9412	0.9454	0.0042					
0.2706	0.0547	0.9408	0.9420	0.0012					
0.0586	0.1900	0.9895	0.9867	-0.0028					
0.1312	0.1779	0.9903	0.9854	-0.0049					
0.2661	0.1554	0.9934	0.9839	-0.0095					
0.0869	0.2852	1.0518	1.0462	-0.0056					
0.1901	0.2679	1.0536	1.0441	-0.0095					
0.3898	0.2346	1.0581	1.0412	-0.0169					
0.1212	0.3793	1.1205	1.1159	-0.0046					
0.2613	0.3560	1.1229	1.1127	-0.0102					
0.5230	0.3126	1.1232	1.1083	-0.0149					
1.0507	0.2251	1.1200	1.1035	-0.0165					
0.1391	0.4753	1.1972	1.1913	-0.0059					
0.3331	0.4431	1.1976	1.1866	-0.0110					
0.6485	0.3907	1.1925	1.1808	-0.0117					
1.2936	0.2835	1.1872	1.1743	-0.0129					
0.1672	0.5721	1.2707	1.2725	0.0018					
0.3804	0.5365	1.2677	1.2671	-0.0006					
0.7709	0.4713	1.2640	1.2599	-0.0041					
0.1891	0.6666	1.3483	1.3541	0.0058					
0.4483	0.6233	1.3419	1.3480	0.0061					
0.8962	0.5486	1.3293	1.3407	0.0114					
1.8036	0.3973	1.3225	1.3342	0.0117					
0.2226	0.7612	1.4355	1.4394	0.0039					
0.5080	0.7137	1.4255	1.4337	0.0082					
1.0150	0.6292	1.4118	1.4272	0.0154					
			$\Delta\eta^{\text{eq5a}}$	$6.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$					

$$\Delta\eta^{\text{eq5}} = \sum_{i=1}^N (\eta_{M_iX_i}(\text{eq5}) - \eta_{M_iX_i}(\text{Exptl})/\eta_{M_iX_i}(\text{Exptl}))/N.$$

the same ionic strength fraction as that of the multicomponent solution.

The viscosity of a multicomponent electrolyte solution is related to those of its constituent binary solutions of equal ionic strength by<sup>8b</sup>

$$\ln \eta = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_{M_iX_i}}{x_{M_iX_i}^{\text{O.I}}} \ln \eta_{M_iX_i}^{\text{O.I}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_{M_iX_i} \nu_{M_iX_i} m_{M_iX_i}}{\nu_{M_iX_i} m_{M_iX_i} + 55.51} \ln y_{M_iX_i} \quad (5)$$

where  $x_{M_iX_i}^{\text{O.I}}$  and  $\eta_{M_iX_i}^{\text{O.I}}$  are the mole fraction and viscosity of  $M_iX_i$  in the binary solution  $M_iX_i + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) having

the same ionic strength as that of the multicomponent solution  $M_1X_1 + \dots + M_nX_n + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ .  $c_{M_iX_i}$  is the electrolyte specific parameter.

### Comparisons with the Experimental Data

The measured densities and viscosities were used to test eqs 3, 4, and 5, and the test procedure is briefly summarized as follows:

(1) Represent the measured densities and viscosities of the binary solutions by the following polynomial equations

$$\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 = \rho_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T) + \sum_l A_l (m_{M_iX_i}^0)^{1/2} \quad (6)$$

$$\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 = \eta_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T) + \sum_l B_l (m_{M_iX_i}^0)^{1/2} \quad (7)$$

where  $\rho_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T)$  and  $\eta_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T)$  are the properties of water at  $T$ .  $\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$ ,  $\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$ , and  $m_{M_iX_i}^0$  denote the density, viscosity, and molality of the binary aqueous solution  $M_iX_i + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ). The optimum fit was obtained by variation of  $l$  until the values of  $\Delta_{\rho, M_iX_i}^0 = \sum_{j=1}^N (|\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0| / \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0) / N$  and  $\Delta_{\eta, M_iX_i}^0 = \sum_{j=1}^N (|\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0| / \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0) / N$  are less than a few parts in  $10^{-4}$ . The values of  $A_l$ ,  $B_l$ ,  $\Delta_{\rho, M_iX_i}^0$ , and  $\Delta_{\eta, M_iX_i}^0$  obtained for the two binary solutions are shown in Table 1.

(2) Determine the compositions ( $m_{M_iX_i}^{(0)}$ ) of the binary solutions having the same water activity as that of the multicomponent solution of given molalities  $m_{M_iX_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) using the osmotic coefficients of  $M_iX_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ )<sup>13</sup> and eq 2.

(3) Determine the compositions ( $m_{M_iX_i}^{\text{I}}$ ) of the binary solutions having the same ionic strength as that of the multicomponent solution of given molalities  $m_{M_iX_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ).

(4) Insert the values of  $\rho_{M_iX_i}^{(0)}$ ,  $\eta_{M_iX_i}^{(0)}$ ,  $\rho_{M_iX_i}^{\text{I}}$ , and  $\eta_{M_iX_i}^{\text{I}}$  calculated from eqs 6 or 7 into eqs 3 and 4 or 5 to yield the predictions for the multicomponent solutions of given  $m_{M_iX_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ), which are then compared with the corresponding experimental data. ( $c_{\text{NaCl}} = 0.15$  and  $c_{\text{LaCl}_3} = 1.28$  were determined from the measured viscosities of  $\text{NaCl} + \text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at 293.15 K and then were used to predict the viscosities of this ternary solution at (298.15 and 303.15) K.)

In this Article, the average relative differences between the predicted and measured densities ( $\Delta_{\rho}$ ) and viscosities ( $\Delta_{\eta}$ ) over the entire experimental composition range of the multicomponent solution are defined by

$$\Delta_{\rho} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left| \Delta_{\rho, i} \right| / N \quad (8)$$

$$\Delta_{\eta} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left| \Delta_{\eta, i} \right| / N \quad (9)$$

with  $\Delta_{\rho, i} = (\rho_{i(\text{Calcd})} - \rho_{i(\text{Exptl})}) / \rho_{i(\text{Exptl})}$  and  $\Delta_{\eta, i} = (\eta_{i(\text{Calcd})} - \eta_{i(\text{Exptl})}) / \eta_{i(\text{Exptl})}$ , where  $N$  is the number of experimental data.

## Results and Discussions

Table 2 shows the measured densities and viscosities of the binary solutions  $\text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures. Figure 1 shows the variations of the values of  $\delta_{\rho, M_iX_i}$  ( $= \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$ ) and  $\delta_{\eta, M_iX_i}$  ( $= \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$ ) with the molality in the binary solution  $\text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures, where  $\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$  and  $\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$  are the densities and viscosities reported in the literature<sup>14–16</sup> and  $\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$  and  $\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$  are those calculated from eqs 6 and 7 together with the parameters shown in Table 1. It is seen that the agreements are good. Table 3 shows the measured densities and viscosities of the binary solutions  $\text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures. Figure 2 shows the variations of the values of  $\delta_{\rho, M_iX_i}$  ( $= \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$ ) and  $\delta_{\eta, M_iX_i}$  ( $= \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0 - \eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$ ) with the molality in the binary solutions  $\text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures, where  $\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$  and  $\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Exptl})}^0$  are the densities and viscosities reported in the literature<sup>17</sup> and  $\rho_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$  and  $\eta_{M_iX_i(\text{Calcd})}^0$  are those calculated from eqs 6 and 7 together with the parameters shown in Table 1. It is seen that the agreements are also good.

Table 5 compares the predicted and measured densities for the ternary solutions  $\text{NaCl} + \text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures. The third to fifth columns show that the agree-

ments are good; the  $\Delta_{\rho}^{\text{eq } 4}$  values at (293.15, 298.15, and 303.15) K are  $6.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ,  $6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ , and  $6.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$ , respectively. The value of  $\Delta_{\rho}^{\text{eq } 3}$  at 298.15 K is  $1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ . Further comparisons using the reported densities<sup>15,16,18,19</sup> at 298.15 K show that the average relative difference ( $\Delta_{\rho}^{\text{eq } 3} / \Delta_{\rho}^{\text{eq } 4}$ ) between the predicted and measured densities are  $3.5 \cdot 10^{-4} / 3.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$  for  $\text{NaCl} + \text{KCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 4.4 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ),  $2.2 \cdot 10^{-4} / 2.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$  for  $\text{KCl} + \text{CaCl}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 3.6 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ),  $3.5 \cdot 10^{-4} / 3.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$  for  $\text{HCl} + \text{KCl} + \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 2.2 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ), and  $3.6 \cdot 10^{-4} / 5.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$  for  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 1.9 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ), in which  $I_{\text{max}}$  is the maximum ionic strength.<sup>1</sup> The above results indicate that eqs 3 and 4 hold well for the multicomponent electrolyte solutions. Note that eq 3 also applies well to multicomponent nonelectrolyte solutions.<sup>10</sup>

The tests using the reported viscosities<sup>15,16,18</sup> show that the average relative differences ( $\Delta_{\eta}^{\text{eq } 5}$ ) between the predicted and measured viscosities at 298.15 K are  $1.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$  for  $\text{NaCl} + \text{KCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 4.4 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ),  $0.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  for  $\text{HCl} + \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 4.0 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ),  $1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$  for  $\text{KCl} + \text{CaCl}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 6.0 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ), and  $4.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$  for  $\text{KBr} + \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $I_{\text{max}} = 4.0 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$ ),<sup>8</sup> indicating that eq 5 holds well for these multicomponent electrolyte solutions. The average relative differences ( $\Delta_{\eta}^{\text{eq } 5}$ ) between the predicted and measured viscosities of the ternary solution  $\text{NaCl} + \text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at (273.15, 298.15, and 303.15) K are  $5.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ,  $6.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$ , and  $6.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$ , respectively, implying that the agreements are also reasonably good.

## Conclusions

Densities and viscosities were measured for the ternary system  $\text{NaCl} + \text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  and its binary subsystems  $\text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{LaCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  at different temperatures. The results were used to test the applicability of simple equations for the density and viscosity of multicomponent solutions. The comparison results show that eqs 3, 4, and 5 can yield good predictions for the densities and viscosities of the ternary electrolyte solutions from the data of the binary solutions that do not involve multicomponent parameters, which indicates that these equations can make use of the information on the binary solutions, avoid much complexity in the calculation of multicomponent viscosities, and provide good predictions for the multicomponent solutions.

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