

Correlations

A Simple Two-Parameter Correlation Model for Aqueous Electrolyte Solutions across a Wide Range of Temperatures[†]

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In this paper, we focused on the correlation of the thermodynamic properties of aqueous solutions across a temperature range from (273.15 to 523.15) K by a simple two-parameter model. This model is based on the modified three-characteristic-parameter correlation (TCPC) model. The two parameters, b , distance of closest approach, and S , solvation parameter, represent the interactions between ions and ions-molecules, respectively. The results show that it can adequately correlate the activity coefficient and osmotic coefficient of the single electrolyte solutions. The set of two characteristic parameters for many electrolytes was obtained. We also obtained the temperature-dependent parameters for these electrolytes. In over 70 % of the cases, six to eight parameters are necessary for an electrolyte. Compared with the Pitzer model, our model also represented a good performance.

Introduction

In many industrial processes, such as chemical engineering, extraction, and distillation, etc., electrolyte solutions play an important role. The prediction of thermodynamic properties attracts much more attention, and many semiempirical models have been developed in the past century, such as the Bromley¹ model, Pitzer² equations, the hydration theory by Robinson and Stokes,^{3,4} and the NRTL model,^{5,6} etc. Meanwhile, many theories have been put forward based on the statistical mechanics with the rapid development of computer technology, focusing on three aspects, molecular simulation (Monte Carlo and molecular dynamics simulation), integral equation theory (Mean Spherical Approximation based theories,^{7,8} etc.), and perturbation theory (SAFT,⁹ etc.). Recently, a model without fitted parameters has been proposed,^{10,11} but it is limited in the case of $\gamma \leq 1$, which is not sufficient to describe many strong electrolyte solutions. Although these theories are very useful for understanding the microscopic structure of electrolyte solutions, they have not been used widely for real solutions. The complex computation of a number of models also restricts their application and makes it very difficult to predict phase equilibrium. Moreover, these models usually still need adjustable parameters as the semiempirical models. Thus, it is still of central importance to develop the correlation models.

Lin and Lee¹² proposed a predictive three-characteristic-parameter correlation (TCPC) model for strong electrolytes in the low concentration range. Recently, we modified and extended this model to cover strong¹³ and complex¹⁴ aqueous

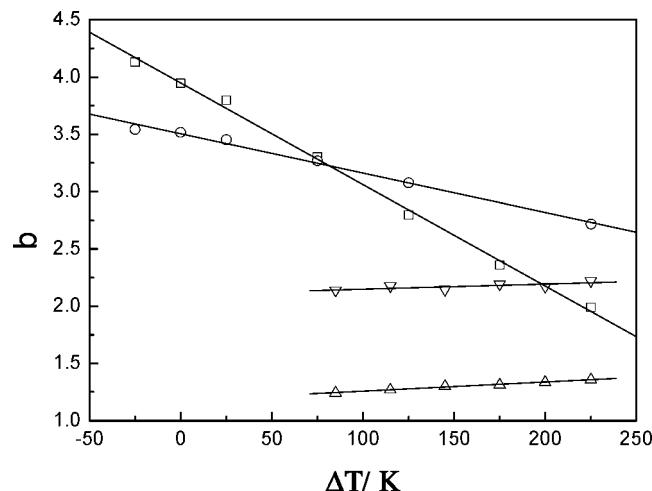


Figure 1. Linear change of the distance of closest approach parameter, b , against the temperature for some electrolytes. The solid lines are the results of linear fit. □, $CsOH$; ○, $MgCl_2$; △, KH_2PO_4 ; ▽, K_2HPO_4 .

electrolytes at 298.15 K across a wide concentration range, nonaqueous electrolytes at 298.15 K and other temperatures, and in mixed solvent systems.¹⁵ We have showed that¹³ the model with only two parameters (b , S) is enough to correlate the thermodynamic properties of aqueous solutions, especially for a concentration range that is not very high (generally below $6 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$). Since many real processes related with aqueous solutions are carried out at temperatures other than 298.15 K, the work here accounts for the temperature effects of this modified model with two parameters for correlation of mean activity coefficient and osmotic coefficient for aqueous electrolyte solutions. This work does not incorporate pressure effects because of the scarcity of relevant experimental data.

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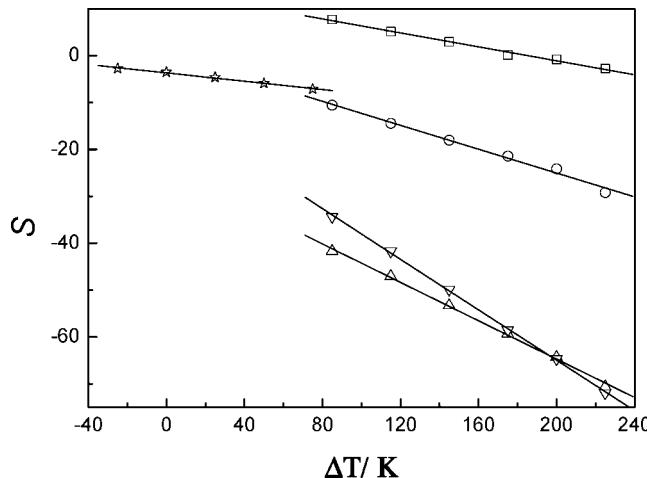


Figure 2. Linear change of the solvation parameter, S , against the temperature for some electrolytes. The solid lines are the results of linear fit. \square , K_2HPO_4 ; \circ , Na_2HPO_4 ; \triangle , KH_2PO_4 ; ∇ , NaH_2PO_4 ; \star , $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$.

Two-Parameter Model

An electrolyte molecule dissolved in the solvent would be dissociated into an anion and a cation. If the dissociation is complete, the potential energy of an ion can be simplified by considering the ion–ion interaction and ion–molecule interaction. Thus, the mean activity coefficient for a single salt is combined with the Pitzer long-range term and short-range solvation interaction

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = \ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{PDH}} + \ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{SV}} \quad (1)$$

The expression of the first term is

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{PDH}} = -|z_+ z_-| A_{\phi} \left[\frac{I^{1/2}}{1 + b I^{1/2}} + \frac{2}{b} \ln(1 + b I^{1/2}) \right] \quad (2)$$

$$A_{\phi} = \frac{1}{3} (2\pi L d_w)^{1/2} \left(\frac{e^2}{D k T} \right)^{3/2} \quad (3)$$

The first term is the Pitzer–Debye–Hückel term, which can represent the ion–ion long-range interaction. Here, A_{ϕ} is the Debye–Hückel constant with a value of 0.392 at 298.15 K and D is the static dielectric constant at an absolute temperature T in Kelvin. L is Avogadro's number; d_w is the density of water; k is the Boltzmann constant; and e is the electronic charge. z_+ and z_- are the charge numbers of the cation and anion, respectively; $I = 1/2 \sum_i m_i z_i^2$ is the ionic strength; and b is a distance parameter depending on the closest distance of approach of ions.

The second term is used to represent the solvation effects between ions and solvent molecules. In this model, the specific interaction between ions and molecules is described by Coulomb's law, for a cation

$$\Gamma_{\text{cs}} = \frac{h_{\text{cs}} z_+ e \mu}{s^2} \quad (4)$$

where s is the distance between an ion and a solvent molecule. μ is the dipole moment of solvent, and h_{cs} is a proportional parameter. s is assumed to be inversely proportional to the ionic strength of solution

$$s = \beta_+ I^{-n} \quad (5)$$

where β_+ and n can be determined from experimental data.

The dimensionless potential is defined as

$$\Phi_{\text{cs}} = e \Gamma_{\text{cs}} / k T = h_{\text{cs}} z_+ \left(\frac{e^2 \mu}{\beta_+^2 k T} \right) I^{2n} \quad (6)$$

A similar expression can be obtained for an anion. Then, the charging process can be carried out,¹³ and the final expression of this term is the combination of anion–molecule interaction and cation–molecule interaction

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{SV}} = \frac{S}{T v_+ + v_-} \frac{2n}{2n + 1} I^{2n} \quad (7)$$

Here, S is defined as the solvation parameter. v_+ and v_- are the stoichiometric coefficients of the cation and anion, respectively.

And, the osmotic coefficient, Φ , can be calculated by

$$\phi = 1 - |z_+ z_-| A_{\phi} \frac{I^{1/2}}{1 + b I^{1/2}} + \frac{S}{T(v_+ + v_-)} \frac{2n}{2n + 1} I^{2n} \quad (8)$$

The activity of the solvent can be calculated as

$$\ln a_s = -(v M_s / 1000) \cdot \phi \quad (9)$$

In this model, (b, S, n) are the adjustable parameters. b is the distance of the closest approach parameter, which represents the closest distance between ions; S is the solvation parameter, which can describe the interactions between ions and solvent molecules including solvation effect or some kind of association effect of ions; and n is distance parameter related to the distance between the ion and solvent molecule. We have showed that n can be regarded as a constant, 0.645, in the case of a concentration range that is not very high (generally $< 6 \text{ mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$). Therefore, the model can be simplified to be a two-parameter model.

The parameters for the electrolyte solutions at different temperatures can be easily regressed from the literature data by the least-squares method with the application of MATLAB software. The objective functions are listed below

$$\delta = \left[\sum_i (\ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{exptl}} - \ln \gamma_{\pm}^{\text{calcd}})^2 / n_p \right]^{1/2} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\delta = \left[\sum_i (\phi^{\text{exptl}} - \phi^{\text{calcd}})^2 / n_p \right]^{1/2} \quad (10)$$

After the characteristic parameters (b, S) are obtained, we can consider them to be simple polynomial functions. Then, the temperature-dependent parameters can be obtained.

$$b(T / \text{K}) = b_0 + b_1 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K}) + b_2 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^2 + b_3 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^3 + b_4 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^4 \quad (11)$$

$$S(T / \text{K}) = S_0 + S_1 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K}) + S_2 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^2 + S_3 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^3 + S_4 \cdot (\Delta T / \text{K})^4 \quad (12)$$

In the above equations, $\Delta T = T - T_r$; $T_r = 298.15 \text{ K}$; and b_i and S_i are the temperature-dependent parameters.

Results and Discussion

To obtain the parameters across a wide range of temperatures, A_{ϕ} should be carefully determined. Pitzer et al.^{16,17} recommended the values across a wide range of temperatures, and we can also calculate the values according to the functions proposed by Spencer et al.¹⁸ and Moller¹⁹ below or above 25 °C, respectively. During the optimization process, the experimental data, usually osmotic coefficient data, were employed to regress the parameters. In some cases, to cover a wider temperature range, the recommended mean activity coefficient data in the literature were used. The data sources are also shown in Tables 1 and 2.

Table 1. Calculated Parameters for 1–1 Type Electrolyte Solutions in a Temperature Range of (273.15 to 523.15) K

<i>T</i>	Mmax	<i>T</i>	Mmax																	
K	mol·kg ⁻¹	data	b	S	100·δ	refs	K	mol·kg ⁻¹	data	b	S	100·δ	refs							
HBr																				
273.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	3.8727	136.1593	4.65	20	273.15	17	log ₁₀	2.5678	58.4605	7.70	36							
283.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	3.9613	138.0095	4.97	20	283.15	17	log ₁₀	3.0013	57.1262	8.02	36							
293.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.0759	139.2532	5.20	20	293.15	17	log ₁₀	3.2269	55.8287	7.31	36							
298.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.1204	139.8130	5.29	20	303.15	17	log ₁₀	3.5161	54.1050	7.20	36							
303.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.1583	140.2200	5.33	20	313.15	17	log ₁₀	3.7333	52.1232	7.13	36							
313.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.2046	140.9725	5.56	20	323.15	17	log ₁₀	3.8769	49.8406	7.11	36							
323.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.2968	141.5627	5.75	20	333.15	17	log ₁₀	3.9069	47.3185	7.16	36							
333.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.2759	142.6964	5.94	20	343.15	17	log ₁₀	3.8571	44.4792	7.29	36							
343.15	5.551	γ_{\pm}	4.2161	143.5410	6.48	20	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.0885	44.4956	1.29	27							
KCl																				
273.15	4.0	Φ	2.6809	2.5679	1.51	21	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.4196	11.1331	3.24	27							
283.15	4.0	γ_{\pm}	2.4142	7.8086	2.29	22	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.0693	-7.8281	4.69	27							
293.15	4.0	γ_{\pm}	2.5439	9.5570	2.07	22	NaOH													
298.15	4.0	γ_{\pm}	2.7588	7.1139	3.53	22	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.3361	79.8015	0.72	27							
303.15	4.286	Φ	0.8534	28.0495	3.24	23	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.5361	83.6601	0.97	27							
313.15	4.286	Φ	1.1532	31.7091	3.75	23	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.4777	78.4521	1.09	27							
323.15	4.286	Φ	1.4285	29.0971	1.74	23	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.0680	61.1378	1.16	27							
333.15	4.286	Φ	1.3714	33.1968	2.17	23	423.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.6870	46.9960	1.88	27							
343.15	4.286	Φ	1.0195	42.1780	2.65	23	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.3456	37.6203	2.99	27							
LiCl																				
273.15	6.0	Φ	4.8289	89.8136	0.21	24	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.0066	24.3514	4.50	27							
298.15	6.0	Φ	4.9833	90.2852	0.27	24	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	4.1316	80.5086	0.96	27							
323.15	6.0	Φ	4.9539	89.8484	0.35	24	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.9444	87.8493	0.37	27							
348.15	6.0	Φ	4.8369	88.3053	0.39	24	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.7992	91.3475	0.65	27							
373.15	6.0	Φ	4.6939	86.3223	0.45	24	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.3019	89.9786	0.97	27							
NaCl																				
273.15	6.0	Φ	2.7351	31.9156	1.65	25	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.3604	69.3636	2.81	27							
298.15	6.0	Φ	3.4933	37.2231	0.82	25	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.9885	57.0392	4.37	27							
323.15	6.0	Φ	3.9455	40.3212	0.50	25	LiBr													
348.15	6.0	Φ	4.1673	41.5132	0.50	25	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	4.6441	99.9234	1.20	28							
373.15	6.0	Φ	4.2989	41.0540	0.52	25	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.8479	115.0719	0.65	28							
398.15	6.0	Φ	4.6409	43.8045	0.52	25	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.8870	120.8577	0.55	28							
423.15	6.0	Φ	4.3478	35.9084	0.47	25	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.9116	120.7532	0.75	28							
448.15	6.0	Φ	4.2622	31.4942	0.53	25	423.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.5892	118.2699	0.91	28							
473.15	6.0	Φ	4.0767	26.0093	0.72	25	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.1875	113.2435	1.28	28							
NaI																				
283.15	10	Φ	62.4060	55.1031	0.94	26	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.8722	92.7278	1.81	28							
298.15	10	Φ	50.8194	55.5901	1.25	26	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.9122	38.2271	1.64	28							
303.15	8.398	Φ	5.7585	64.4666	4.82	23	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.2193	50.8820	0.85	28							
313.15	8.398	Φ	9.3261	64.9080	4.81	23	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.5135	58.8024	0.82	28							
323.15	8.398	Φ	13.2722	66.1042	4.79	23	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.7005	67.6177	0.99	28							
333.15	8.398	Φ	10.2185	68.7137	4.57	23	423.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.6387	71.1886	1.11	28							
343.15	8.398	Φ	9.0945	71.1222	4.22	23	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.6807	69.4628	1.04	28							
NaBr																				
283.15	9	Φ	4.5869	43.3425	1.11	26	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.9538	59.2719	0.61	28							
298.15	9	Φ	5.5285	45.6321	1.40	26	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.4056	9.5572	7.36	28							
303.15	7.981	Φ	3.9534	54.9917	4.72	23	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.7140	14.7324	1.51	28							
313.15	7.981	Φ	5.5350	52.7238	3.28	23	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.9724	21.1764	1.13	28							
323.15	7.981	Φ	8.6743	50.4853	1.76	23	373.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.2810	29.2771	0.99	28							
333.15	7.981	Φ	8.3545	51.1411	1.62	23	423.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.4593	30.9879	0.96	28							
343.15	7.981	Φ	21.7588	47.5182	2.48	23	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.4008	31.0389	1.12	28							
KF																				
283.15	12	Φ	2.9112	39.4912	1.05	26	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	3.0759	29.6979	1.70	28							
298.15	12	Φ	3.7159	39.2315	1.31	26	273.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.4277	6.9383	4.24	28							
323.15	12	Φ	4.7513	36.6802	1.68	26	298.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.7711	3.8953	3.28	28							
348.15	12	Φ	5.0830	32.9880	1.75	26	323.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.0749	4.6337	2.70	28							
CsI																				
303.15	2.595	Φ	0.3569	101.1195	2.07	23	423.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.7698	11.5103	2.00	28							
313.15	2.595	Φ	5.1994	-12.9826	1.68	23	473.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.7733	13.6862	2.24	28							
323.15	2.595	Φ	4.1522	-6.1549	1.45	23	523.15	5.0	ln γ_{\pm}	2.6129	13.9502	2.81	28							
333.15	2.595	Φ	1.8971	20.6377	1.34	23	KH ₂ PO ₄													
343.15	2.595	Φ	2.5754	12.6945	1.16	23	383.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.2417	-41.7442	7.70	29							
CsCl																				
303.15	8.590	Φ	58.4807	3.7779	9.69	23	413.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.2697	-47.0456	8.05	29							
313.15	8.590	Φ	23.5146	4.2934	7.20	23	443.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3009	-53.2842	8.58	29							
323.15	8.590	Φ	10.8165	4.6792	4.11	23	473.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3123	-59.3281	9.14	29							
333.15	8.590	Φ	8.8908	6.0260	3.30	23	498.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3348	-64.2857	8.62	29							
343.15	8.590	Φ	5.9827	9.3979	1.81	23	523.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3589	-70.6214	10.47	29							
KI																				
303.15	5.648	Φ	0.8024	36.6254	5.44	23	413.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.4176	-34.4091	6.66	29							
313.15	5.648	Φ	1.0375	36.6624	1.36	23	443.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3978	-41.7036	7.30	29							
323.15	5.648	Φ	1.0906	47.1263	2.47	23	473.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3727	-49.8951	8.07	29							
333.15	5.648	Φ	1.4450	44.1605	2.44	23	498.15	6.0	ln γ_{\pm}	1.3460	-58.5478	8.98	29							
343.15	5.648	Φ	2.0721</td																	

Table 2. Calculated Parameters for 1–2, 2–1, and 2–2 Type Electrolytes in a Temperature Range of (273.15 to 523.15) K

T K	Mmax mol·kg ⁻¹					T K	Mmax mol·kg ⁻¹				
	data	b	S	100·δ	refs		data	b	S	100·δ	refs
K_2HPO_4											
383.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.1378	7.7022	4.62	29	273.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.0166	34
413.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.1748	5.1177	4.81	29	298.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.1867	34
443.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.1447	2.9577	5.28	29	323.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.2768	34
473.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.1931	0.1277	5.54	29	373.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.2699	34
498.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.1706	-0.7987	6.06	29	423.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.1142	34
523.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.2217	-2.7911	6.50	29	473.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.9161	34
Na_2HPO_4											
383.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	1.9560	-10.5512	7.38	29	523.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.7524	34
413.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	1.9803	-14.4053	7.74	29	303.15	3.340	Φ	55.1553	23
443.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	1.9742	-18.0717	8.36	29	313.15	3.340	Φ	22.9308	23
473.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	1.9696	-21.4245	9.16	29	323.15	3.340	Φ	9.1821	23
498.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.0005	-24.1546	9.75	29	333.15	3.340	Φ	6.6655	23
523.15	6.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.0435	-29.1891	9.66	29	343.15	3.340	Φ	11.2082	23
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$											
273.15	6.0	Φ	2.3530	-2.7826	9.19	32	303.15	4.156	Φ	274.268	23
298.15	6.0	Φ	2.5663	-3.5112	8.54	32	313.15	4.156	Φ	138.971	23
323.15	6.0	Φ	2.7133	-4.6322	8.26	32	323.15	4.156	Φ	53.8657	23
348.15	6.0	Φ	2.7519	-5.9349	8.40	32	333.15	4.156	Φ	17.6510	23
373.15	6.0	Φ	2.6950	-7.1232	9.02	32	343.15	4.156	Φ	13.3159	23
Cs_2SO_4											
298.15	3.1082	Φ	2.5461	7.5931	5.47	33	273.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.5408	34
323.15	3.5095	Φ	2.7554	12.3828	4.83	33	298.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.5159	34
Rb_2SO_4											
298.15	2.048	Φ	2.7200	-17.2628	5.18	33	323.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.4535	34
323.15	3.0	Φ	2.6891	-2.6365	5.40	33	373.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.2694	34
Na_2SO_4											
273.15	1.5	Φ	1.9984	-45.8561	3.07	21	523.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.0764	34
H_2SO_4											
273.15	10.0	Φ	2.0955	28.4037	6.18	21	273.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.2272	34
CaCl_2											
303.15	6.019	Φ	11.1224	76.3032	7.51	23	298.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.3757	34
313.15	6.019	Φ	26.0450	73.2034	6.98	23	323.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.4279	34
323.15	6.019	Φ	36.4503	71.0876	6.85	23	373.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.3644	34
333.15	6.019	Φ	24.7423	69.8590	6.50	23	423.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.1464	34
343.15	6.019	Φ	25.5616	67.7451	6.05	23	523.15	4.0	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	2.8728	34
CaBr_2											
303.15	4.596	Φ	189.352	95.8806	3.90	23	303.15	3.398	Φ	2.7150	34
313.15	4.596	Φ	58.7089	95.8565	3.15	23	313.15	3.398	Φ	34.9857	34
323.15	4.596	Φ	16.6999	96.5706	3.67	23	323.15	3.398	Φ	3.2272	34
333.15	4.596	Φ	10.1975	97.3547	3.36	23	333.15	3.398	Φ	51.8	23
343.15	4.596	Φ	6.8508	99.3077	2.94	23	343.15	3.398	Φ	13.6920	23
CaI_2											
303.15	2.915	Φ	11.4604	74.5559	5.51	23	273.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	3.6658	35
313.15	2.915	Φ	3.7236	89.1967	3.80	23	298.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	11.8637	35
323.15	2.915	Φ	3.1165	93.7986	3.70	23	323.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	11.9277	35
333.15	2.915	Φ	2.9588	97.0670	2.85	23	348.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	10.9057	35
343.15	2.915	Φ	2.9472	98.9513	2.75	23	373.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	7.6940	35
$\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$											
273.15	3.0	Φ	2.4807	7.3638	9.8998	21	393.15	20	$\ln \gamma_{\pm}$	7.0784	35
MgSO_4											
273.15	3.0	Φ	2.4807	15.5310	5.47	21					

1–1 type electrolytes in Table 1. However, some relative large deviations also can be found, such as NaOH , KH_2PO_4 , and NaH_2PO_4 in Table 1, and Na_2HPO_4 and $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ in Table 2. In our opinion, these deviations can be attributed to the following aspects:

First, this work is based on the species being the stoichiometric composition. For some salts, a number of complex ions can exist in the solution simultaneously, such as H_2PO_4^- , HPO_4^{2-} , PO_4^{3-} , $\text{H}_4\text{P}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$, etc., in NaH_2PO_4 , KH_2PO_4 , Na_2HPO_4 , and K_2HPO_4 . The present model is limited to describe the very complicated systems.

Second, the calculated standard deviations for asymmetric electrolytes shown in Table 2 are worse than 1–1 type electrolytes. As well-known, in PDH term, the electric potential of a charged cation in a uniform electric field is described by the Boltzmann distribution. The solvation term is also established on the Coulomb force between spherical particles. But for some asymmetric electrolytes, the size difference of its anion and cation could be very large, and the shape is highly nonspherical that the charge density of ions in the solution can no longer be described by the Boltzmann distribution. Thus, some large deviations may be obtained.

Finally, the assumption of complete dissociation of this model is accurate for strong electrolyte solutions or the solutions with low concentration. Thus, good results are obtained for 1–1 electrolytes. However, for the weak electrolytes or the solution with high ionic strength, it is less accurate due to incomplete dissociation of electrolyte molecules or the association of ions. This is the situation for $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ ($I = 60 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$). For LiCl , we found the deviation is over 25 % for a concentration up to $18.5 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$, but for a concentration below $6 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$, the correlation is very good, as shown in Table 1.

According to eqs 11 and 12, the temperature-dependent parameters for these electrolyte solutions, along with the corresponding correlation coefficients, can be obtained, as listed in Table 3. The fitting temperature range is the same as shown in Tables 1 and 2. The absence of a parameter value indicates that it is not important.

From Table 3, in 70 % of the cases, the change of (b, S) can be represented by a 2- or 3-order polynomial, which means six or eight parameters are sufficient to predict the thermodynamic properties of an electrolyte solution across a temperature range of (273.15 to 523.15) K in a concentration range of (0 to 20) $\text{mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$. Furthermore, the distance of the closest approach

Table 3. Temperature-Dependent Parameters of the Simple Two-Parameter Model

system	b_0	b_1	b_2	b_3	b_4	R	S_0	S_1	S_2	S_3	S_4	R
HBr	4.11397	$9.36 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-6.3022 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$-2.06821 \cdot 10^{-6}$		0.99117	139.78067	$9.454 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.35 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.52303 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99867
LiCl	4.98132	$2.02 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-1.41109 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.416 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99968	90.24089	$-1.48 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-6.87486 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99694
KCl ^a	2.75857	$5.279 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.99 \cdot 10^{-3}$			1.00000	7.1139	$-7.9008 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-6.565 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.07 \cdot 10^{-3}$		1.00000
KCl ^b	6.9151·10 ⁻¹	$2.935 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$5.20946 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99260	15.76	3.59526	$-2.6144 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$0.71 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-6.17229 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.00000
NaCl	3.40479	$2.078 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-9.8779 \cdot 10^{-5}$			0.97139	36.98427	$1.7062 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.35 \cdot 10^{-3}$			0.94524
NaI	10.88152	-1.88306	$2.0332 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-6.67 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.79492 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.00000	64.40706	$-1.981 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.82 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-4.18246 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99476
NaBr	11.3848	-2.51339	$-2.4429 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-8.24 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$9.25 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.00000	52.49666	$9.6496 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.1126 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$3.82 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-4.18246 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.00000
KF	5.535	$1.386 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-5.03166 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99899	52.7238	$-1.3254 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.42 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.19093 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99760
CsI	-5.58114	1.48055	$-6.196 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$7.35258 \cdot 10^{-4}$		0.99971	221.8111	-29.64033	1.13883	$-1.297 \cdot 10^{-2}$		0.99634
CsCl	87.98091	-6.8449	$1.9881 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.94 \cdot 10^{-3}$		1.00000	3.13829	$1.670 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-8.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.79567 \cdot 10^{-4}$		1.00000
KI	$6.1228 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$4.887 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-2.07 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.78917 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99617	57.86263	-6.6409	0.55509	$-1.603 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.50712 \cdot 10^{-4}$	1.00000
RbCl	1.80334	$4.916 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.48 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.67533 \cdot 10^{-5}$		0.99736	32.07407	-1.04613	$2.535 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.7705 \cdot 10^{-4}$		0.99956
LiOH	1.88813	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-1.0014 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$6.44442 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$-1.27278 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.99863	3.85717	$-3.3424 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-4.8493 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99296
NaOH	3.50344	$2.405 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-5.74077 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.50562 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$-6.89876 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.96952	54.63047	$-1.3264 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-6.39214 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99368
KOH	3.46454	$6.83455 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$-8.2197 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.26049 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99038	80.61298	$-1.1321 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.85 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.61517 \cdot 10^{-6}$		0.99008
CsOH	3.94898	$-8.87 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.29266 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$-2.62294 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.97146 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.99719	87.64795	2.0796	$-2.72 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.29566 \cdot 10^{-6}$		0.99981
LiBr	3.98803	$-1.422 \cdot 10^{-2}$				0.99001	114.83386	$3.8989 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-0.69 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.53479 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$-1.08168 \cdot 10^{-7}$	0.99965
NaBr	3.26271	$1.192 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.0821 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.06138 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99508	49.51086	$3.5412 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.38810 \cdot 10^{-3}$			0.99088
KBr	2.71075	$1.12 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-4.22973 \cdot 10^{-5}$			0.99771	15.81624	$2.4606 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.17 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.55773 \cdot 10^{-6}$		0.99417
CsBr	1.77779	$1.314 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-4.20176 \cdot 10^{-5}$			0.99967	4.32642	$-4.089 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.97 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-1.21395 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.23058 \cdot 10^{-8}$	0.99580
KH ₂ PO ₄	1.17633	$-8.05554 \cdot 10^{-4}$				0.99006	-23.78166	$-2.0489 \cdot 10^{-1}$				0.99778
NaH ₂ PO ₄	2.40057	$-2.941 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.21762 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$-1.53901 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2.64501 \cdot 10^{-9}$	0.99086	-11.10104	$-2.6944 \cdot 10^{-1}$				0.99039
NaBF ₄	1.7657	$5.858 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.64 \cdot 10^{-3}$			0.99778	35.5425 $\cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.2736 \cdot 10^{-1}$				0.99880
NaCF ₃ SO ₃	11.1243	$-9.931 \cdot 10^{-2}$				0.99000	29.6289	$2.4265 \cdot 10^{-1}$				1.00000
K ₂ HPO ₄	2.10158	$4.58416 \cdot 10^{-4}$				0.77805	13.76789	$-7.438 \cdot 10^{-2}$				0.99617
Na ₂ HPO ₄	1.5645	$9.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-6.44643 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.50799 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99002	4.261 $\cdot 10^{-1}$	$-1.2736 \cdot 10^{-1}$				0.99567
(NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄	2.57528	$7.19 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-7.41486 \cdot 10^{-5}$			0.99879	-3.68633	$-4.442 \cdot 10^{-2}$				0.99079
CS ₂ SO ₄	2.5461	$8.37 \cdot 10^{-3}$				1.00000	7.5931	$1.9159 \cdot 10^{-1}$				1.00000
Rb ₂ SO ₄	2.72	$-1.24 \cdot 10^{-3}$				1.00000	-17.2628	$5.8505 \cdot 10^{-1}$				1.00000
CaHPO ₄	4.53065	$5.7734 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-2.034 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.17652 \cdot 10^{-4}$		1.00000	77.62272	$-3.0671 \cdot 10^{-1}$				0.99624
CaBr ₂	298.55896	-25.42994	$7.4145 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-7.12 \cdot 10^{-3}$		0.99974	96.12755	$-6.02 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.87 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-7.327 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$7.21233 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.99091
BaBr ₂	52.02209	-3.93924	$1.0719 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-9.13925 \cdot 10^{-4}$		0.99944	51.83715	$-2.0293 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$4.084 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-7.22783 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$6.32137 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.99229
SrBr ₂	72.80094	-4.06897	$6.055 \cdot 10^{-2}$			0.99183	89.82275	$-8.51515 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$6.865 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.03 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.80477 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.99829
SrI ₂	354.77474	-17.53276	$2.2201 \cdot 10^{-1}$			0.99923	98.51508	$-1.372 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$7.33 \cdot 10^{-3}$			0.99736
CaCl ₂	21.74931	-4.53065	$-3.24 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.65708 \cdot 10^{-5}$		1.00000	63.26001	2.63251	$-7.327 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.87 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$7.21233 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.99713
SrCl ₂	3.18463	$5.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-6.13325 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.35848 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99969	76.52916	$1.1223 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-2.76 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.32137 \cdot 10^{-6}$	6.99997	0.99912
MgCl ₂	3.50524	$3.44 \cdot 10^{-3}$				0.99105	110.65789	$2.132 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$7.79084 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99862
BaCl ₂	3.36987	$3.92 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-6.36047 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.42601 \cdot 10^{-7}$		0.99989	32.96984	$1.3662 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$-2.48 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-1.518 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.32317 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.99664
Ca(NO ₃) ₂	10.14301	$8.493 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-9.55258 \cdot 10^{-4}$			0.99124	9.65305					0.99664

^a Temperature range of 273.15 K to 298.15 K. ^b Temperature range of 303.15 K to 343.15 K.

Table 4. Standard Deviations from the Simple Two-Parameter Model^a

system	Mmax	temperature range		Mmax	temperature range		Pitzer 100·δ	M-Pitzer 100·δ
	mol·kg ⁻¹	K	present 100·δ	mol·kg ⁻¹	K	Pitzer 100·δ		
HBr	5.551	273.15 to 343.15	5.49	1.000	273.15 to 333.15	1.5	3.2	
KCl	5.1776	273.15 to 343.15	2.33	4.000	273.15 to 313.15	1.7	0.78	
NaCl	6.000	273.15 to 473.15	0.78	4.000	273.15 to 473.15	2.0	0.25	
NaI	10.000	283.15 to 343.15	3.91	8.398	298.15 to 343.15	1.1	3.2	
NaBr	9.000	283.15 to 343.15	2.49	7.981	298.15 to 498.15	2.9	2.6	
KF	12.000	283.15 to 348.15	1.48					
CsI	2.595	303.15 to 343.15	1.57	2.595	298.15 to 343.15	3.0	3.0	
CsCl	8.590	303.15 to 343.15	5.95	8.590	298.15 to 343.15	5.2	8.7	
KI	5.648	303.15 to 343.15	1.62	5.648	298.15 to 343.15	3.8	5.3	
RbCl	6.949	303.15 to 343.15	1.82	6.949	298.15 to 343.15	3.0	3.0	
LiOH	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	5.92	7.219	298.15 to 473.15	0.28	3.5	
NaOH	17.0	273.15 to 523.15	6.91	7.298	273.15 to 623.15	7.8	7.2	
KOH	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	2.24	17.000	273.15 to 623.15	27.0	25.0	
CsOH	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	2.10	5.921	298.15 to 473.15	4.1	4.2	
LiBr	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	0.97	5.387	298.15 to 473.15	2.4	5.4	
LiCl	6.0	273.15 to 373.15	0.34					
NaBr	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	0.79	7.981	298.15 to 498.15	2.9	2.6	
KBr	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	3.02	7.434	273.15 to 498.15	7.3	7.1	
CsBr	5.0	273.15 to 523.15	2.02	8.277	273.15 to 523.15	2.3	1.7	
KH ₂ PO ₄	6.0	383.15 to 523.15	8.81					
NaH ₂ PO ₄	6.0	383.15 to 523.15	7.72					
NaBF ₄	8.8454	288.15 to 308.15	5.72					
NaCF ₃ SO ₃	5.3755	298.15 to 323.15	1.66					
K ₂ HPO ₄	6.0	383.15 to 523.15	5.51					
Na ₂ HPO ₄	6.0	383.15 to 523.15	8.72					
(NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄	6.0	273.15 to 373.15	7.93					
Cs ₂ SO ₄	3.5095	298.15 to 323.15	5.15					
Rb ₂ SO ₄	3.0	298.15 to 323.15	5.30					
CaI ₂	2.915	303.15 to 343.15	3.85	2.915	298.15 to 343.15	7.2	6.2	
SrCl ₂	4.000	273.15 to 523.15	1.86	3.203	298.15 to 343.15	7.0	6.9	
MgCl ₂	4.000	273.15 to 523.15	1.47	4.801	298.15 to 573.15	17.0	5.0	
BaCl ₂	4.000	273.15 to 523.15	4.12	1.500	298.15 to 333.15	7.2	2.2	
Ca(NO ₃) ₂	20.000	273.15 to 393.15	12.87	20.000	273.15 to 393.15	14.0	4.7	
CaCl ₂	6.019	303.15 to 343.15	6.80	7.031	298.15 to 343.15	7.3	7.3	
CaBr ₂	4.596	303.15 to 343.15	3.42	4.596	298.15 to 343.15	6.3	3.9	
BaBr ₂	3.398	303.15 to 343.15	2.89	3.398	298.15 to 343.15	3.1	3.7	
SrBr ₂	3.340	303.15 to 343.15	7.69	3.340	298.15 to 343.15	9.1	6.5	
SrI ₂	4.156	303.15 to 343.15	2.10	4.156	298.15 to 343.15	3.1	4.5	

^a Deviations from Pitzer and modified Pitzer models are from ref 37.

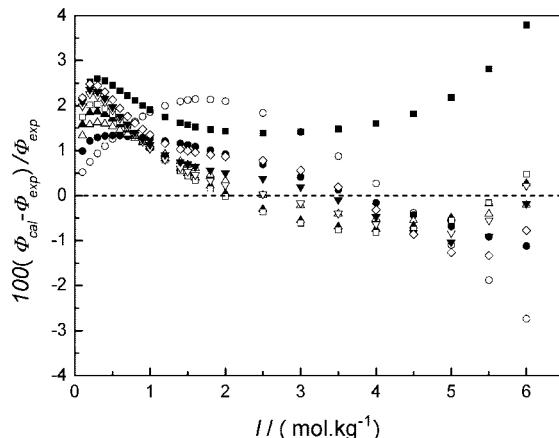


Figure 3. Relative deviations of calculated osmotic coefficient for NaCl at different temperatures by using the temperature-dependent parameters. ○, 273.15 K; ●, 298.15 K; △, 323.15 K; ▲, 348.15 K; □, 373.15 K; ■, 398.15 K; ▽, 423.15 K; ▼, 448.15 K; ♦, 473.15 K.

parameter, *b*, or solvation parameter, *S*, for some electrolytes represents a simple linear change against temperature, such as CsOH, KH₂PO₄, MgCl₂, etc., as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

We also compared our model to the Pitzer equations. Pérez-Villaseñor et al.³⁷ have established the temperature dependence of a modified Pitzer model and the original one. By using the temperature-dependent parameters in Table 3, we obtained the standard deviations for each electrolyte system and listed them

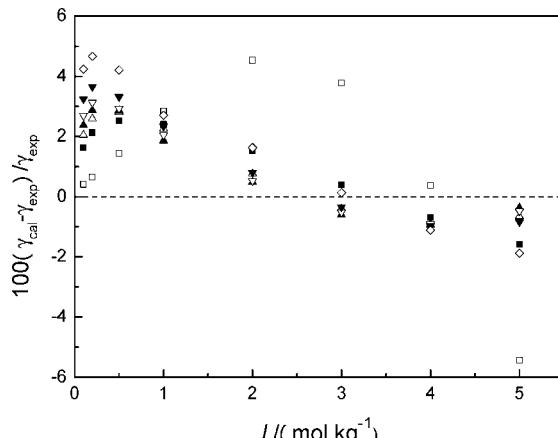


Figure 4. Relative deviations of calculated mean activity coefficient for KBr at different temperatures by using the temperature-dependent parameters. □, 273.15 K; ■, 298.15 K; △, 323.15 K; ▲, 373.15 K; ▽, 423.15 K; ▼, 473.15 K; ◇, 523.15 K.

in Table 4, along with the results obtained by Pérez-Villaseñor et al.³⁷ For all the same systems in Table 4, the average standard deviation is 3.6 % from our model, 5.9 % from the original Pitzer model, and 5.1 % from the modified one. In about 80 % of the cases, the performance of our model is better than the Pitzer model. For some 2–1 type electrolytes with the same data source, such as CaCl₂, CaBr₂, SrCl₂, and BaBr₂, etc., the performance of our model is better. It should be noted that the

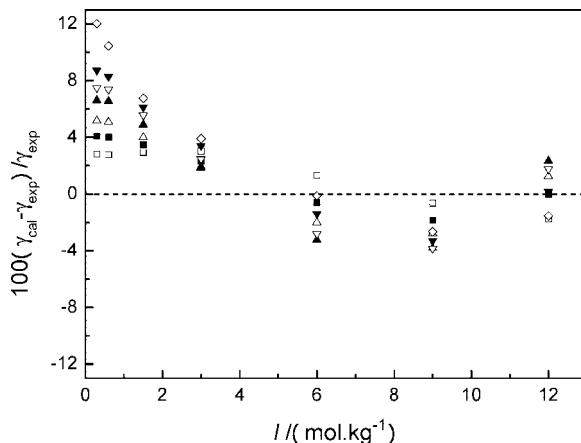


Figure 5. Relative deviations of calculated mean activity coefficient for SrCl_2 at different temperatures by using the temperature-dependent parameters. \square , 273.15 K; \blacksquare , 298.15 K; \triangle , 323.15 K; \blacktriangle , 373.15 K; \triangledown , 423.15 K; \blacktriangledown , 473.15 K; \diamond , 523.15 K.

number of parameters of the original Pitzer model used for these systems in their work is eight to ten parameters. Thus, we may have the conclusion that the performance of our model is fairly good for these systems.

Figures 3 to 5 show the distributions of the relative deviations against the concentration for NaCl , KBr , and SrCl_2 at a temperature range of (273.15 to 523.15) K by using the temperature-dependent parameters. From these figures, one can see that most of the realtive errors are within 10 %. The range of deviations for NaCl and KBr is smaller than that of SrCl_2 . Another finding is that the relative large deviations always can be found at a higher temperature.

Conclusions

A simple model with two characteristic parameters, distance of closest approach parameter, b , and solvation parameter, S , was proposed to correlate the mean activity coefficient and osmotic coefficient for many aqueous electrolyte solutions across a temperature range of (273.15 to 523.15) K in a concentration range of (0 to 20) $\text{mol}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$. We obtained the characteristic parameters for these electrolytes at different temperatures. The temperature-dependent parameters for some electrolytes are also obtained in this work. Generally, six to eight parameters are enough to describe the properties of the electrolytes across a wide temperature range. This model also showed a good performance when compared with the Pitzer equations, which means it is a good alternative for calculating the thermodynamic properties of electrolyte solutions.

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