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approximation

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We address the question on the validity of the ideal volumetric mixing approximation, a

customarily used approach to analyze liquid-liquid phase transitions. Thus, liquid-liquid

coexistence curves for the binary mixture composed by nitromethane and 3-pentanol were

obtained from direct single-phase mass density measurements as a function of temperature. A

reasonable agreement with previously reported data obtained from refractive index measurements

has been found, indicating that assuming ideal mixing is rather reasonable. Furthermore, the

implications of the ideal volumetric mixing approximation on asymmetric liquid-liquid criticality

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