
pyEQL Documentation

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Installation

1.1 Dependencies

pyEQL requires Python 3.0 or greater. For installation instructions on your system visit <https://www.python.org/downloads/>

In addition, you will need the following packages:

- [pint](#)
- [scipy](#)

See the respective pages for manual installation instructions. Alternatively, if you use `pip` to install pyEQL (recommended), they should be installed automatically.

1.2 Manually via Git

Simply navigate to a directory of your choice on your computer and clone the repository by executing the following terminal command:

```
git clone https://github.com/rkingsbury/pyEQL
```

Then install by executing

```
pip install -e pyEQL
```

1.3 Automatically via pip and PyPI

The [Python Package Index](#) repository will allow installation to be done easily from the command line as follows:

```
pip install pyEQL
```

This should automatically pull in the required dependencies as well.

Note: You may have to run ‘`pip3`’ rather than ‘`pip`’ depending on your system configuration. pyEQL works only on Python 3.

pyEQL creates a new type (*Solution* class) to represent a chemical solution. It also comes pre-loaded with a database of diffusion coefficients, activity correction parameters, and other data on a variety of common electrolytes. Virtually all of the user-facing functions in pyEQL are accessed through the *Solution* class.

2.1 Creating a Solution Object

Create a *Solution* object by invoking the *Solution* class:

```
>>> import pyEQL
>>> s1 = pyEQL.Solution()
>>> s1
<pyEQL.pyEQL.Solution at 0x7f9d188309b0>
```

If no arguments are specified, pyEQL creates a 1-L solution of water at pH 7 and 25 degC.

More usefully, you can specify solutes and bulk properties:

```
>>> s2 = pyEQL.Solution(['Na+', '0.5 mol/kg'], ['Cl-', '0.5 mol/kg'], pH=8, temperature = 20 degC, vo
```

2.2 Retrieving Solution Properties

2.2.1 Bulk Solution Properties

pyEQL provides a variety of methods to calculate or look up bulk properties like temperature, ionic strength, conductivity, and density.

```
>>> s2.get_volume()
8.071524653929277 liter
>>> s2.get_density()
1.0182802742389558 kilogram/liter
>>> s2.get_conductivity()
4.083570230022633 siemens/meter
>>> s2.get_ionic_strength()
0.500000505903012 mole/kilogram
```

2.2.2 Individual Solute Properties

You can also retrieve properties for individual solutes (or the solvent, water)

```
>>> s2.get_amount('Na+', 'mol/L')
0.4946847550064916 mole/liter
>>> s2.get_activity_coefficient('Na+')
0.6838526233869155
>>> s2.get_activity('Na+')
0.3419263116934578
>>> s2.get_property('Na+', 'diffusion_coefficient')
1.1206048116287536e-05 centimeter2/second
```

2.3 Units-Aware Calculations using pint

pyEQL uses [pint](#) to perform units-aware calculations. The pint library creates Quantity objects that contain both a magnitude and a unit.

```
>>> from pyEQL import unit
>>> test_qty = pyEQL.unit('1 kg/m**3')
1.0 kilogram/meter3
```

Many pyEQL methods require physical quantities to be input as strings, then these methods return pint Quantity objects. A string quantity must contain both a magnitude and a unit (e.g. '0.5 mol/L'). In general, pint recognizes common abbreviations and SI prefixes. Compound units must follow Python math syntax (e.g. cm**2 not cm2).

Pint Quantity objects have several useful attributes. They can be converted to strings:

```
>>> str(test_qty)
'1.0 kg/m**3'
```

the magnitude, units, or dimensionality can be retrieved via attributes:

```
>>> test_qty.magnitude
1.0
>>> test_qty.units
<UnitsContainer({'kilogram': 1.0, 'meter': -3.0})>
>>> test_qty.dimensionality
<UnitsContainer({'[length]': -3.0, '[mass]': 1.0})>
```

See the [pint documentation](#) for more details on creating and manipulating Quantity objects.

2.4 Using pyEQL in your projects

To access pyEQL's main features in your project all that is needed is an import statement:

```
>>> import pyEQL
```

In order to directly create Quantity objects, you need to explicitly import the *unit* module:

```
>>> from pyEQL import unit
>>> test_qty = pyEQL.unit('1 kg/m**3')
1.0 kilogram/meter3
```

Warning: if you use pyEQL in conjunction with another module that also uses pint for units-aware calculations, you must convert all Quantity objects to strings before passing them to the other module, as pint cannot perform mathematical operations on units that belong to different “registries.” See the [pint documentation](#) for more details.

Contributing to pyEQL

3.1 Reporting Issues

You can report any bugs, packaging issues, feature requests, comments, or questions using the [issue tracker](#) on [github](#).

3.2 Contributing Code

To contribute bug fixes, documentation enhancements, or new code, please fork pyEQL and send us a pull request. It's not as hard as it sounds!

It is **strongly** recommended that you read the following short articles before starting your work, especially if you are new to the open source community.

- [Open Source Contribution Etiquette](#)
- [Don't "Push" Your Pull Requests](#)
- [A Successful Git Branching Model](#)

3.2.1 Hacking pyEQL in Six Easy Steps:

1. Fork the pyEQL repository on Github
2. Clone your repository to a directory of your choice:

```
git clone https://github.com/<username>/pyEQL
```

3. Create a branch for your work. We loosely follow the branching guidelines outlined at <http://nvie.com/posts/a-successful-git-branching-model>.

If you are adding **documentation** or **bug fixes**, start with the **master** branch and prefix your branch with "fix-" or "doc-" as appropriate:

```
git checkout -b fix-myfix master  
  
git checkout -b doc-mydoc master
```

If you are adding a **new feature**, start with the **develop** branch and prefix your branch with "feature-":

```
git checkout -b feature-myfeature develop
```

4. Hack away until you're satisfied.

5. Push your work back to Github:

```
git push origin feature-myfeature
```

6. Create a pull request with your changes. See [this tutorial](#) for instructions.

3.3 Generating Test Cases

pyEQL has many capabilities that have not been tested thoroughly. You can help the project simply by using pyEQL and comparing the output to experimental data and/or more established models. Report back your results on the [issue tracker](#).

Even better, write up an automated test case (see the tests/ directory for examples).

3.4 Making a Donation

If you'd like to leave a 'tip' for the project maintainer to support the time and effort required to develop pyEQL, simply send it via Paypal to RyanSKingsbury@alumni.unc.edu

Chemical Formulas

4.1 Representing Chemical Substances in pyEQL

pyEQL interprets the chemical formula of a substance to calculate its molecular weight and formal charge. The formula is also used as a key to search the database for parameters (e.g. diffusion coefficient) that are used in subsequent calculations.

4.1.1 How to Enter Valid Chemical Formulas

Generally speaking, type the chemical formula of your solute the “normal” way and pyEQL should be able to interpret it. Here are some examples:

- Sodium Chloride - NaCl
- Sodium Sulfate - Na(SO₄)₂
- Methanol - CH₄OH or CH₅O
- Magnesium Ion - Mg⁺²
- Chloride Ion - Cl⁻

Formula Rules:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters
2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than ‘(’, ‘)’, ‘+’, or ‘-’
3. If a ‘+’ or ‘-’ is present, the formula must contain ONLY ‘+’ or ‘-’ (e.g. ‘Na+-’ is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. ‘Fe+++’) or a numeric charge (e.g. ‘Fe+3’)
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of ‘(’ and ‘)’
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

4.1.2 Alternate Formulas and Isomers

Many complex molecules can be written in multiple ways. pyEQL cares only about the number and identity of the elements and the formal charge on the molecule, so you can use any form you choose. The `hill_order()` method takes a formula and reduces it to its simplest form, like so:

```
>>> pyEQL.chemical_formula.hill_order('CH2(CH3)4COOH')
'C6H15O2'
```

When searching the parameters database, pyEQL uses this method to reduce both user-entered formulas AND keys in the database. So even if you created a solution containing 'ClNa', pyEQL would still match it with parameters for 'NaCl'.

Currently pyEQL **does not distinguish between isomers**.

4.2 API Documentation (chemical_formula.py)

This module contains classes, functions, and methods to facilitate the input, output, and parsing of chemical formulas for pyEQL.

The correct case must be used when specifying elements.

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pyEQL.chemical_formula.**contains** (*formula*, *element*)

Check whether a formula contains a given element.

Parameters formula: str

String representing a molecular formula. e.g. 'H2O' or 'FeOH+' Valid molecular formulas must meet the following criteria:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters
2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than '(', ')', '+', or '-'
3. If a '+' or '-' is present, the formula must contain ONLY '+' or '-' (e.g. 'Na+-' is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. 'Fe+++') or a numeric charge (e.g. 'Fe+3')
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of '(' and ')'
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

element: str

String representing the element to check for. Must be a valid element name.

Returns bool

True if the formula contains the element. False otherwise.

Examples

```
>>> contains('Fe2(SO4)3', 'Fe')
True
>>> contains('NaCOOH', 'S')
False
```

pyEQL.chemical_formula.**get_element_mole_ratio** (*formula*, *element*)

compute the moles of a specific element per mole of formula

Parameters formula: str

String representing a molecular formula. e.g. 'H2O' or 'FeOH+' Valid molecular formulas must meet the following criteria:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters

2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than '(', ')', '+', or '-'
3. If a '+' or '-' is present, the formula must contain ONLY '+' or '-' (e.g. 'Na+-' is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. 'Fe+++') or a numeric charge (e.g. 'Fe+3')
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of '(' and ')'
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

element: str

String representing the element to check for. Must be a valid element name.

Returns number

The number of moles of element per mole of formula, mol/mol.

```
>>> get_element_mole_ratio('NaCl', 'Na')
```

1

```
>>> get_element_mole_ratio('H2O', 'H')
```

2

```
>>> get_element_mole_ratio('H2O', 'Br')
```

0

```
>>> get_element_mole_ratio('CH3CH2CH3', 'C')
```

3

See also:

contains, consolidate_formula, get_element_weight, get_element_weight_fraction

pyEQL.chemical_formula.**get_element_names** (*formula*)

Return the names of the elements in a chemical formula

Parameters formula: str

String representing a chemical formula

Examples

```
>>> get_element_names('FeSO4')
['Iron', 'Sulfur', 'Oxygen']
```

pyEQL.chemical_formula.**get_element_numbers** (*formula*)

Return the atomic numbers of the elements in a chemical formula

Parameters formula: str

String representing a chemical formula

Examples

```
>>> get_element_numbers('FeSO4')
[26, 16, 8]
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.get_element_weight` (*formula*, *element*)
compute the weight of a specific element in a formula

Parameters *formula*: str

String representing a molecular formula. e.g. 'H2O' or 'FeOH+' Valid molecular formulas must meet the following criteria:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters
2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than '(', ')', '+', or '-'
3. If a '+' or '-' is present, the formula must contain ONLY '+' or '-' (e.g. 'Na+-' is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. 'Fe+++') or a numeric charge (e.g. 'Fe+3')
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of '(' and ')'
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

element: str

String representing the element to check for. Must be a valid element name.

Returns number

The weight of the specified element within the formula, g/mol.

```
>>> get_element_weight('NaCl', 'Na')
```

22.98977

```
>>> get_element_weight('H2O', 'H')
```

2.01588

```
>>> get_element_weight('H2O', 'Br')
```

0.0

```
>>> get_element_weight('CH3CH2CH3', 'C')
```

36.0321

See also:

`contains`, `_consolidate_formula`, `elements`, `get_element_mole_ratio`

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.get_element_weight_fraction` (*formula*, *element*)
compute the weight fraction of a specific element in a formula

Parameters *formula*: str

String representing a molecular formula. e.g. 'H2O' or 'FeOH+' Valid molecular formulas must meet the following criteria:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters

2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than '(', ')', '+', or '-'
3. If a '+' or '-' is present, the formula must contain ONLY '+' or '-' (e.g. 'Na+-' is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. 'Fe+++') or a numeric charge (e.g. 'Fe+3')
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of '(' and ')'
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

element: str

String representing the element to check for. Must be a valid element name.

Returns number

The weight fraction of the specified element within the formula.

```
>>> get_element_weight_fraction('NaCl', 'Na')
```

```
0.39337...
```

```
>>> get_element_weight_fraction('H2O', 'H')
```

```
0.111898...
```

```
>>> get_element_weight_fraction('H2O', 'Br')
```

```
0.0
```

```
>>> get_element_weight_fraction('CH3CH2CH3', 'C')
```

```
0.8171355...
```

See also:

`get_element_weight`, `contains`, `_consolidate_formula`, `elements`

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.get_elements` (*formula*)

Return a list of strings representing the elements in a molecular formula, with no duplicates.

See also:

`_check_formula`

Examples

```
>>> get_elements('FeSO4')
['Fe', 'S', 'O']
>>> get_elements('CH3(CH2)4(CO)3')
['C', 'H', 'O']
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.get_formal_charge` (*formula*)

Return the formal charge on a molecule based on its formula

See also:

`_check_formula`

Examples

```
>>> get_formal_charge('Na+')
1
>>> get_formal_charge('PO4-3')
-3
>>> get_formal_charge('Fe+++')
3
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.get_molecular_weight(formula)`
compute the molecular weight of a formula

```
>>> get_molecular_weight('Na+')
22.98977
>>> get_molecular_weight('H2O')
18.01528
>>> get_molecular_weight('CH3CH2CH3')
44.09562
```

See also:

`_consolidate_formula, elements`

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.hill_order(formula)`

Return a string representing the simplest form of 'formula' in the Hill order (Carbon, Hydrogen, then other elements in alphabetical order). If no Carbon is present, then all elements are listed in alphabetical order.

NOTE: this function does NOT (yet) honor exceptions to the Hill Order for acids, hydroxides, oxides, and ionic compounds. It follows the rule above no matter what.

Examples

```
>>> hill_order('CH2(CH3)4COOH')
'C6H15O2'
```

```
>>> hill_order('NaCl')
'ClNa'
```

```
>>> hill_order('NaHCO2') == hill_order('HCOONa')
True
```

```
>>> hill_order('Fe+2') == hill_order('Fe+3')
False
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.is_valid_element(formula)`
Check whether a string is a valid atomic symbol

Parameters :formula: str

String representing an atomic symbol. First letter must be uppercase, second letter must be lowercase.

Returns bool

True if the string is a valid atomic symbol. False otherwise.

Examples

```
>>> is_valid_element('Cu')
True
>>> is_valid_element('Na+')
False
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.is_valid_formula(formula)`

Check that a molecular formula is formatted correctly

Parameters formula: str

String representing a molecular formula. e.g. 'H2O' or 'FeOH+' Valid molecular formulas must meet the following criteria:

1. Are composed of valid atomic symbols that start with capital letters
2. Contain no non-alphanumeric characters other than '(', ')', '+', or '-'
3. If a '+' or '-' is present, the formula must contain ONLY '+' or '-' (e.g. 'Na+-' is invalid) and the formula must end with either a series of charges (e.g. 'Fe+++') or a numeric charge (e.g. 'Fe+3')
4. Formula must contain matching numbers of '(' and ')'
5. Open parentheses must precede closed parentheses

Returns bool

True if the formula is valid. False otherwise.

Examples

```
>>> is_valid_formula('Fe2(SO4)3')
True
>>> is_valid_formula('2Na+')
False
>>> is_valid_formula('HCO3-')
True
>>> is_valid_formula('Na+-')
False
>>> is_valid_formula('C10h12')
False
```

`pyEQL.chemical_formula.print_latex(formula)`

Print a LaTeX - formatted version of the formula

Examples

```
>>> print_latex('Fe2SO4')
Fe_2SO_4
>>> print_latex('CH3CH2CH3')
CH_3CH_2CH_3
>>> print_latex('Fe2(OH)2+2')
Fe_2(OH)_2^+^2
```

Database System

pyEQL creates a database to collect various parameters needed to perform its calculations. pyEQL's default database includes a collection of the following parameters for some common electrolytes:

- Diffusion coefficients for 104 ions
- Pitzer model activity correction coefficients for 157 salts
- Pitzer model partial molar volume coefficients for 120 salts
- Partial molar volumes for 10 ions (see note)
- Viscosity model coefficients for 6 salts (see note)

Note: Due to copyright restrictions, pyEQL's built-in databases contain only a small selection of partial molar volumes and viscosity coefficients for some common ions like H⁺, Na⁺, Cl⁻, and OH⁻. We are working on securing permission to distribute a more complete dataset. In the mean time, see the references in the example databases for good data sources. Alternatively, you can provide your own parameters in a custom database (see below). pyEQL does already contain a fairly large collection of Pitzer parameters for both activity correction and partial molar volume; and this will be expanded in the future.

5.1 Basics

The Paramsdb class creates a container for parameters. Each parameter is an object which contains not only the value, but also information about the units, the reference, and the conditions of measurement. paramsdb() also defines several methods that are helpful for retrieving parameters.

pyEQL automatically initializes an instance of Paramsdb under the name 'db'. You can access database methods like this:

```
>>> import pyEQL
>>> pyEQL.db
<pyEQL.database.Paramsdb at 0x7fead183f240>
>>> pyEQL.db.has_species('H+')
True
```

Anytime a new solute is added to a solution, the search_parameters() method is called. This method searches every database file within the search path (by default, only pyEQL's built-in databases) for any parameters associated with that solute, and adds them to the database.

5.2 Adding your own Database Files

5.2.1 Custom Search Paths

The database system is meant to be easily extensible. To include your own parameters, first you need to add a directory of your choosing to the search path.

```
>>> pyEQL.db.add_path('/home/user')
```

You can always check to see which paths pyEQL is searching by using `list_path()`:

```
>>> pyEQL.db.list_path()
<default installation directory>/database
/home/user
```

Then, place your custom database file inside that directory. **NOTE: custom database files are searched IN ADDITION TO the default databases.** You don't need to re-create the information from the built-in files. Custom databases only need to contain extra parameters that are not included already.

5.2.2 File Format

Databases are formatted as TAB-SEPARATED text files and carry the .tsv extension. The intent of this format is to make database files easy to edit with common spreadsheet software.

Warning: If you open an existing or template database file for editing, some spreadsheet software will try to replace the tabs with commas when you save it again. pyEQL does NOT read comma-separated files.

Since pyEQL compiles the database from multiple files, the intent is for each file to contain values for one type of parameter (such as a diffusion coefficient) from one source. The file can then list values of that parameter for a number of different solutes.

The upper section of each file contains information about the source of the data, the units, the name of the parameter, and the conditions of measurement. The top of each database file must, at a minimum, contain rows for 'Name' and 'Units'. Preferably, other information such as conditions, notes and a reference are also supplied. See *template.tsv* in the database subdirectory for an example.

The remainder of the file contains solute formulas in the first column (see *Chemical Formulas*) and corresponding values of the parameter in the following columns. Sets of parameters (such as activity correction coefficients) can be specified by using more than one column.

Warning: Currently there is no way to handle duplicated parameters. So if you supply a parameter with the same name as a built-in one, unexpected behavior may result.

5.2.3 Special Names

The name of a parameter is used as a kind of index within pyEQL. Certain methods expect certain parameter names. The following are the currently-used internal names:

- 'diffusion_coefficient' - diffusion coefficient
- 'pitzer_parameters_activity' - coefficients for the Pitzer model for activity correction
- 'pitzer_parameters_volume' - coefficients for the Pitzer model for partial molar volume
- 'erying_viscosity_coefficients' - coefficients for an Eyring-type viscosity correction model

- 'partial_molar_volume' - the partial molar volume (used if Pitzer parameters are not available)

If you wish to supply these parameters for a custom solute not included in the built-in database, make sure to format the name exactly the same way.

You can also specify a custom parameter name, and retrieve it using the `get_parameter()` method. If the solute is 'Na+'

```
>>> pyEQL.db.get_parameter('Na+', 'my_parameter_name')
```

5.3 Viewing the Database

You can view the entire contents of the database using the `print_database()` method. Since pyEQL searches for parameters as they are added, the database will only contain parameters for solutes that have actually been used during the execution of your script. The output is organized by solute.

```
>>> pyEQL.db.print_database()

>>> s1 = pyEQL.Solution(['Na+', '0.5 mol/kg'], ['Cl-', '0.5 mol/kg'])
>>> pyEQL.db.print_database()
Parameters for species Cl-:
-----
Parameter diffusion_coefficient
Diffusion Coefficient
-----
Value: 2.032e-05 cm2/s
Conditions (T,P,Ionic Strength): 25 celsius, 1 atm, 0
Notes: For most ions, increases 2-3% per degree above 25C
Reference: CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 92nd Ed., pp. 5-77 to 5-79

Parameter partial_molar_volume
Partial molar volume
-----
Value: 21.6 cm3/mol
Conditions (T,P,Ionic Strength): 25 celsius, 1 atm, 0
Notes: correction factor 5e-4 cm3/g-K
Reference: Durchschlag, H., Zipper, P., 1994. "Calculation of the Partial Molal Volume of Organic Compounds"
...

```

5.4 API Documentation (database.py)

This module contains classes, functions, and methods for reading input files and assembling database entries for use by pyEQL.

By default, pyEQL searches all files in the `/database` subdirectory for parameters.

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class `pyEQL.database.Paramsdb`

create a global dictionary to contain a dynamically-generated list of Parameters for solute species. The dictionary keys are the individual chemical species formulas. The dictionary's values are a python set object containing all parameters that apply to the species.

Methods

<code>add_parameter(formula, parameter)</code>	Add a parameter to the database
<code>add_path(path)</code>	Add a user-defined directory to the database search path
<code>get_parameter(formula, name)</code>	Retrieve a parameter from the database
<code>has_parameter(formula, name)</code>	Boolean test to determine whether a parameter exists in the database for a given species
<code>has_species(formula)</code>	Boolean test to determine whether a species is present in the database
<code>list_path()</code>	List all search paths for database files
<code>print_database([solute])</code>	Function to generate a human-friendly summary of all the database parameters
<code>search_parameters(formula)</code>	Each time a new solute species is created in a solution, this function:

add_parameter (*formula, parameter*)
Add a parameter to the database

add_path (*path*)
Add a user-defined directory to the database search path

get_parameter (*formula, name*)
Retrieve a parameter from the database

has_parameter (*formula, name*)
Boolean test to determine whether a parameter exists in the database for a given species

has_species (*formula*)
Boolean test to determine whether a species is present in the database

list_path ()
List all search paths for database files

print_database (*solute=None*)
Function to generate a human-friendly summary of all the database parameters that are actually used in the simulation

Parameters *solute* : str, optional

The chemical formula for a species. If this argument of supplied, the output will contain only the database entries for this species. Otherwise, all database entries will be printed.

search_parameters (*formula*)
Each time a new solute species is created in a solution, this function:

- 1) searches to see whether a list of parameters for the species has already been compiled from the database
- 2) searches all files in the specified database directory(ies) for the species
- 3) creates a Parameter object for each value found
- 4) compiles these objects into a set
- 5) adds the set to a dictionary indexed by species name (formula)
- 6) points the new solute object to the dictionary

formula [str] String representing the chemical formula of the species.

5.5 API Documentation (parameter.py)

This module implements the Parameter() class, which is used to store values, units, uncertainties, and reference data for various quantities used throughout pyEQL.

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class `pyEQL.parameter.Parameter` (*name, magnitude, units='', **kwargs*)

Class for storing and retrieving measured parameter values together with their units, context, and reference information.

Some pyEQL functions search for specific parameter names, such as: `diffusion_coefficient`

Methods

<code>get_dimensions()</code>	Return the dimensions of the parameter.
<code>get_magnitude([temperature, pressure, ...])</code>	Return the magnitude of a parameter at the specified conditions.
<code>get_name()</code>	Return the name of the parameter.
<code>get_units()</code>	Return the units of a parameter
<code>get_value([temperature, pressure, ...])</code>	Return the value of a parameter at the specified conditions.

get_dimensions()

Return the dimensions of the parameter.

get_magnitude (*temperature=None, pressure=None, ionic_strength=None*)

Return the magnitude of a parameter at the specified conditions.

Parameters *temperature* : str, optional

The temperature at which ‘magnitude’ was measured in degrees Celsius. Specify the temperature as a string containing the magnitude and a unit, e.g. ‘25 degC’, ‘32 degF’, ‘298 kelvin’, and ‘500 degR’

pressure : str, optional

The pressure at which ‘magnitude’ was measured in Pascals Specify the pressure as a string containing the magnitude and a unit. e.g. ‘101 kPa’. Typical valid units are ‘Pa’, ‘atm’, or ‘torr’.

ionic_strength : str, optional

The ionic strength of the solution in which ‘magnitude’ was measured. Specify the ionic strength as a string containing the magnitude and a unit. e.g. ‘2 mol/kg’

Returns Number

The magnitude of the parameter at the specified conditions.

get_name()

Return the name of the parameter.

Parameters None

Returns str

The name of the parameter

get_units()

Return the units of a parameter

get_value (*temperature=None, pressure=None, ionic_strength=None*)

Return the value of a parameter at the specified conditions.

Parameters *temperature* : str, optional

The temperature at which ‘magnitude’ was measured in degrees Celsius. Specify the temperature as a string containing the magnitude and a unit, e.g. ‘25 degC’, ‘32 degF’, ‘298 kelvin’, and ‘500 degR’

pressure : str, optional

The pressure at which 'magnitude' was measured in Pascals. Specify the pressure as a string containing the magnitude and a unit. e.g. '101 kPa'. Typical valid units are 'Pa', 'atm', or 'torr'.

ionic_strength : str, optional

The ionic strength of the solution in which 'magnitude' was measured. Specify the ionic strength as a string containing the magnitude and a unit. e.g. '2 mol/kg'

Returns Quantity

The value of the parameter at the specified conditions.

The Solution Class

pyEQL Solution Class

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class `pyEQL.solution.Solution` (*solutes=[]*, ***kwargs*)

Class representing the properties of a solution. Instances of this class contain information about the solutes, solvent, and bulk properties.

Parameters **solutes** : list of lists, optional

See `add_solute()` documentation for formatting of this list. Defaults to empty (pure solvent) if omitted

volume : str, optional

Volume of the solvent, including the unit. Defaults to '1 L' if omitted. Note that the total solution volume will be computed using partial molar volumes of the respective solutes as they are added to the solution.

temperature : str, optional

The solution temperature, including the unit. Defaults to '25 degC' if omitted.

pressure : Quantity, optional

The ambient pressure of the solution, including the unit. Defaults to '1 atm' if omitted.

pH : number, optional

Negative log of H⁺ activity. If omitted, the solution will be initialized to pH 7 (neutral) with appropriate quantities of H⁺ and OH⁻ ions

Returns Solution

A Solution object.

See also:

`add_solute`

Examples

```
>>> s1 = pyEQL.Solution(['Na+', '1 mol/L'], ['Cl-', '1 mol/L'], temperature='20 degC', volume='500
>>> print(s1)
Components:
['H2O', 'Cl-', 'H+', 'OH-', 'Na+']
Volume: 0.5 l
Density: 1.0383030844030992 kg/l
```

Methods

<code>add_amount(solute, amount)</code>	Add the amount of ‘solute’ to the parent solution.
<code>add_solute(formula, amount[, parameters])</code>	Primary method for adding substances to a pyEQL solution
<code>add_solvent(formula, amount)</code>	Same as <code>add_solute</code> but omits the need to pass solvent mass to pint
<code>copy()</code>	Return a copy of the solution
<code>get_activity(solute)</code>	Return the thermodynamic activity of the solute in solution
<code>get_activity_coefficient(solute)</code>	Routine to determine the activity coefficient of a solute in solution.
<code>get_alkalinity()</code>	Return the alkalinity or acid neutralizing capacity of a solution
<code>get_amount(solute, units)</code>	Return the amount of ‘solute’ in the parent solution
<code>get_bjerrum_length()</code>	Return the Bjerrum length of a solution
<code>get_charge_balance()</code>	Return the charge balance of the solution.
<code>get_chemical_potential_energy([...])</code>	Return the total chemical potential energy of a solution (not including
<code>get_conductivity()</code>	Compute the electrical conductivity of the solution.
<code>get_debye_length()</code>	Return the Debye length of a solution
<code>get_density()</code>	Return the density of the solution.
<code>get_hardness()</code>	Return the hardness of a solution.
<code>get_ionic_strength()</code>	Return the ionic strength of the solution.
<code>get_lattice_distance(solute)</code>	Calculate the average distance between molecules
<code>get_mass()</code>	Return the total mass of the solution.
<code>get_mobility(solute)</code>	Calculate the ionic mobility of the solute
<code>get_molar_conductivity(solute)</code>	Calculate the molar (equivalent) conductivity for a solute
<code>get_mole_fraction(solute)</code>	Return the mole fraction of ‘solute’ in the solution
<code>get_moles_solvent()</code>	Return the moles of solvent present in the solution
<code>get_osmotic_coefficient()</code>	Calculate the osmotic coefficient
<code>get_osmotic_pressure()</code>	Return the osmotic pressure of the solution relative to pure water
<code>get_pressure()</code>	Return the hydrostatic pressure of the solution.
<code>get_property(solute, name)</code>	Retrieve a thermodynamic property (such as diffusion coefficient)
<code>get_salt()</code>	Match ions in the solution to a parent salt.
<code>get_solute(i)</code>	Return the specified solute object.
<code>get_solvent()</code>	Return the solvent object.
<code>get_solvent_mass()</code>	Return the mass of the solvent.
<code>get_temperature()</code>	Return the temperature of the solution.
<code>get_total_amount(element, units)</code>	Return the total amount of ‘element’ (across all solutes) in the solution.
<code>get_total_moles_solute()</code>	Return the total moles of all solute in the solution
<code>get_transport_number(solute[, ...])</code>	Calculate the transport number of the solute in the solution
<code>get_viscosity_dynamic()</code>	Return the dynamic (absolute) viscosity of the solution.
<code>get_viscosity_kinematic()</code>	Return the kinematic viscosity of the solution.
<code>get_viscosity_relative()</code>	Return the viscosity of the solution relative to that of water
<code>get_volume()</code>	Return the volume of the solution.
<code>get_water_activity()</code>	Return the water activity
<code>list_activities([decimals])</code>	List the activity of each species in a solution.
<code>list_concentrations([unit, decimals])</code>	List the concentration of each species in a solution.

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<code>list_solutes()</code>	List all the solutes in the solution.
<code>p(solute[, activity])</code>	Return the negative log of the activity of solute.
<code>set_amount(solute, amount)</code>	Set the amount of ‘solute’ in the parent solution.
<code>set_pressure(pressure)</code>	Set the hydrostatic pressure of the solution.
<code>set_temperature(temperature)</code>	Set the solution temperature.
<code>set_volume(volume)</code>	Change the total solution volume to volume, while preserving

add_amount (*solute*, *amount*)

Add the amount of ‘solute’ to the parent solution.

Parameters *solute* : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

amount : str quantity

String representing the concentration desired, e.g. ‘1 mol/kg’ If the units are given on a per-volume basis, the solution volume is not recalculated If the units are given on a mass, substance, per-mass, or per-substance basis, then the solution volume is recalculated based on the new composition

Returns Nothing. The concentration of solute is modified.

See also:

`Solute.add_moles`

add_solute (*formula*, *amount*, *parameters*={})

Primary method for adding substances to a pyEQL solution

Parameters *formula* : str

Chemical formula for the solute. Charged species must contain a + or - and (for polyvalent solutes) a number representing the net charge (e.g. ‘SO4-2’).

amount : str

The amount of substance in the specified unit system. The string should contain both a quantity and a pint-compatible representation of a unit. e.g. ‘5 mol/kg’ or ‘0.1 g/L’

parameters : dictionary, optional

Dictionary of custom parameters, such as diffusion coefficients, transport numbers, etc. Specify parameters as key:value pairs separated by commas within curly braces, e.g. {diffusion_coeff:5e-10,transport_number:0.8}. The ‘key’ is the name that will be used to access the parameter, the value is its value.

add_solvent (*formula*, *amount*)

Same as `add_solute` but omits the need to pass solvent mass to pint

copy ()

Return a copy of the solution

TODO - clarify whether this is a deep or shallow copy

get_activity (*solute*)

Return the thermodynamic activity of the solute in solution

Parameters *solute* : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

temperature : Quantity, optional

The temperature of the solution. Defaults to 25 degrees C if omitted

Returns The thermodynamic activity of the solute in question (dimensionless)

See also:

`get_activity_coefficient`, `get_ionic_strength`

Notes

The thermodynamic activity is independent of the concentration scale used. However, the concentration and the activity coefficient must use corresponding scales.^{1 2} In this module, ionic strength, activity coefficients, and activities are all calculated based on the molal (mol/kg) concentration scale.

References

`get_activity_coefficient(solute)`

Routine to determine the activity coefficient of a solute in solution. The correct function is chosen based on the ionic strength of the parent solution.

Parameters `solute` : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

Returns The molal (mol/kg) scale mean ion activity coefficient of the solute in question

See also:

`get_activity_coefficient_debye_huckel`, `get_activity_coefficient_guntelberg`,
`get_activity_coefficient_davies`, `get_activity_coefficient_pitzer`

References

May, P. M., Rowland, D., Hefter, G., & Königsberger, E. (2011). A Generic and Updatable Pitzer Characterization of Aqueous Binary Electrolyte Solutions at 1 bar and 25 °C. *Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data*, 56(12), 5066–5077. doi:10.1021/je2009329

`get_alkalinity()`

Return the alkalinity or acid neutralizing capacity of a solution

Returns Quantity :

The alkalinity of the solution in mg/L as CaCO₃

Notes

The alkalinity is calculated according to:³

$$Alk = F \sum_i z_i C_B - \sum_i z_i C_A$$

Where C_B and C_A are conservative cations and anions, respectively (i.e. ions that do not participate in acid-base reactions), and z_i is their charge. In this method, the set of conservative cations is all Group I and Group II cations, and the conservative anions are all the anions of strong acids.

¹ <http://adsorption.org/awm/utis/Activity.htm>

² http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thermodynamic_activity#Activity_coefficient

³ Stumm, Werner and Morgan, James J. *Aquatic Chemistry*, 3rd ed, pp 165. Wiley Interscience, 1996.

References

get_amount (*solute*, *units*)

Return the amount of 'solute' in the parent solution

Parameters *solute* : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

units : str

Units desired for the output. Examples of valid units are 'mol/L', 'mol/kg', 'mol', 'kg', and 'g/L' Use 'fraction' to return the mole fraction.

Returns The amount of the solute in question, in the specified units

See also:

`add_amount`, `set_amount`, `get_amount_total`

get_bjerrum_length ()

Return the Bjerrum length of a solution

Bjerrum length is calculated as ⁴

$$\lambda_B = \frac{e^2}{(4\pi\epsilon_r\epsilon_0k_BT)}$$

It represents the distance at which electrostatic interactions between particles become comparable in magnitude to the thermal energy.

NOTE: The influence of ionic strength on the dielectric constant is not currently accounted for. The dielectric constant of pure water is used in the calculation.

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The Bjerrum length, in nanometers.

See also:

`h2o.water_dielectric_constant`

References

Examples

```
>>> s1 = pyEQL.Solution()
>>> s1.get_bjerrum_length()
<Quantity(0.7152793009386953, 'nanometer')>
```

get_charge_balance ()

Return the charge balance of the solution.

Return the charge balance of the solution. The charge balance represents the net electric charge on the solution and SHOULD equal zero at all times, but due to numerical errors will usually have a small nonzero value.

Returns float :

⁴ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bjerrum_length

The charge balance of the solution, in equivalents.

Notes

The charge balance is calculated according to:

$$CB = F \sum_i n_i z_i$$

Where n_i is the number of moles, z_i is the charge on species i , and F is the Faraday constant.

get_chemical_potential_energy (*activity_correction=True*)

Return the total chemical potential energy of a solution (not including pressure or electric effects)

Parameters *activity_correction* : bool, optional

If True, activities will be used to calculate the true chemical potential. If False, mole fraction will be used, resulting in a calculation of the ideal chemical potential.

Returns Quantity

The actual or ideal chemical potential energy of the solution, in Joules.

Notes

The chemical potential energy (related to the Gibbs mixing energy) is calculated as follows: ⁵

$$E = RT \sum_i n_i \ln a_i$$

or

$$E = R T \sum_i n_i \ln x_i$$

Where n is the number of moles of substance, T is the temperature in kelvin, R the ideal gas constant, x the mole fraction, and a the activity of each component.

Note that dissociated ions must be counted as separate components, so a simple salt dissolved in water is a three component solution (cation, anion, and water).

References

get_conductivity ()

Compute the electrical conductivity of the solution.

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The electrical conductivity of the solution in Siemens / meter.

See also:

get_ionic_strength, get_molar_conductivity, get_activity_coefficient

⁵ Koga, Yoshikata, 2007. //Solution Thermodynamics and its Application to Aqueous Solutions: A differential approach.// Elsevier, 2007, pp. 23-37.

Notes

Conductivity is calculated by summing the molar conductivities of the respective solutes, but they are activity-corrected and adjusted using an empirical exponent. This approach is used in PHREEQC and Aqion models ^{6 7}

$$EC = \frac{F^2}{RT} \sum_i D_i z_i^2 \gamma_i^\alpha m_i$$

Where:

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} \frac{0.6}{\sqrt{|z_i|}} & I < 0.36|z_i| \\ \frac{\sqrt{I}}{|z_i|} & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Note: PHREEQC uses the molal rather than molar concentration according to http://www.brr.cr.usgs.gov/projects/GWC_coupled/phreeqc3-html/phreeqc3-43.htm

References

`get_debye_length()`

Return the Debye length of a solution

Debye length is calculated as ⁸

$$\kappa^{-1} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_o k_B T}{(2 N_A e^2 I)} \right)}$$

NOTE: The influence of ionic strength on the dielectric constant is not currently accounted for. The dielectric constant of pure water is used in the calculation.

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The Debye length, in nanometers.

See also:

`get_ionic_strength`, `h2o.water_dielectric_constant`

References

`get_density()`

Return the density of the solution.

Density is calculated from the mass and volume each time this method is called.

Returns Quantity: The density of the solution.

`get_hardness()`

Return the hardness of a solution.

Hardness is defined as the sum of the equivalent concentrations of multivalent cations as calcium carbonate.

NOTE: at present pyEQL cannot distinguish between mg/L as CaCO₃ and mg/L units. Use with caution.

⁶ <http://www.aqion.de/site/77>

⁷ <http://www.hydrochemistry.eu/exmpls/sc.html>

⁸ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Debye_length#Debye_length_in_an_electrolyte

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The hardness of the solution in mg/L as CaCO₃

get_ionic_strength()

Return the ionic strength of the solution.

Return the ionic strength of the solution, calculated as $1/2 * \sum (\text{molality} * \text{charge}^2)$ over all the ions. Molal (mol/kg) scale concentrations are used for compatibility with the activity correction formulas.

Returns float :

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg.

Notes

The ionic strength is calculated according to:

$$I = \sum_i m_i z_i^2$$

Where m_i is the molal concentration and z_i is the charge on species i .

Examples

TODO

get_lattice_distance(solute)

Calculate the average distance between molecules

Calculate the average distance between molecules of the given solute, assuming that the molecules are uniformly distributed throughout the solution.

Parameters solute : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

Returns Quantity : The average distance between solute molecules

Notes

The lattice distance is related to the molar concentration as follows:

$$d = (C_i N_A)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

Examples

```
>>> soln = Solution(['Na+', '0.5 mol/kg'], ['Cl-', '0.5 mol/kg'])
>>> soln.get_lattice_distance('Na+')
1.492964.... nanometer
```

get_mass()

Return the total mass of the solution.

The mass is calculated each time this method is called. Parameters ——— None

Returns Quantity: the mass of the solution, in kg

get_mobility (*solute*)

Calculate the ionic mobility of the solute

Parameters *solute* : str

String identifying the solute for which the mobility is to be calculated.

Returns float : The ionic mobility. Zero if the solute is not charged.

Notes

This function uses the Einstein relation to convert a diffusion coefficient into an ionic mobility ⁹

$$\mu_i = \frac{F|z_i|D_i}{RT}$$

References

get_molar_conductivity (*solute*)

Calculate the molar (equivalent) conductivity for a solute

Parameters *solute* : str

String identifying the solute for which the molar conductivity is to be calculated.

Returns float

The molar or equivalent conductivity of the species in the solution. Zero if the solute is not charged.

Notes

Molar conductivity is calculated from the Nernst-Einstein relation ¹⁰

$$\kappa_i = \frac{z_i^2 D_i F^2}{RT}$$

Note that the diffusion coefficient is strongly variable with temperature.

References

Examples

TODO

get_mole_fraction (*solute*)

Return the mole fraction of 'solute' in the solution

Parameters *solute* : str

String representing the name of the solute of interest

Returns float

⁹ Smedley, Stuart I. The Interpretation of Ionic Conductivity in Liquids. Plenum Press, 1980.

¹⁰ Smedley, Stuart. The Interpretation of Ionic Conductivity in Liquids, pp 1-9. Plenum Press, 1980.

The mole fraction of ‘solute’ in the parent Solution object

See also:

get_solvent_mass

Notes

This function assumes water is the solvent with MW = 18

Examples

TODO

get_moles_solvent()

Return the moles of solvent present in the solution

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The moles of solvent in the solution.

get_osmotic_coefficient()

Calculate the osmotic coefficient

Returns Quantity :

The osmotic coefficient

Notes

For ionic strengths below 0.5 mol/kg, the osmotic coefficient is assumed to equal 1.0. 1.0 will also be returned at higher ionic strengths if appropriate Pitzer parameters are not supplied.

References

May, P. M., Rowland, D., Hefter, G., & Königsberger, E. (2011). A Generic and Updatable Pitzer Characterization of Aqueous Binary Electrolyte Solutions at 1 bar and 25 °C. Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data, 56(12), 5066–5077. doi:10.1021/jc2009329

get_osmotic_pressure()

Return the osmotic pressure of the solution relative to pure water

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The osmotic pressure of the solution relative to pure water in Pa

Notes

Osmotic pressure is calculated based on the water activity ^{11 12} :

$$\Pi = \frac{RT}{V_w} \ln a_w$$

Where Π is the osmotic pressure, V_w is the partial molar volume of water (18.2 cm³/mol), and a_w is the water activity.

References

Examples

If 'soln' is pure water, return 0 >>> soln.get_osmotic_pressure() 0.0

If 'soln' is 0.5 mol/kg NaCl >>> soln.get_osmotic_pressure() 2262808... pascal

get_pressure()

Return the hydrostatic pressure of the solution.

Returns Quantity: The hydrostatic pressure of the solution, in atm.

get_property(solute, name)

Retrieve a thermodynamic property (such as diffusion coefficient) for solute, and adjust it from the reference conditions to the conditions of the solution

Parameters **solute: str**

String representing the chemical formula of the solute species

name: str

The name of the property needed, e.g. 'diffusion coefficient'

Returns Quantity: The desired parameter

get_salt()

Match ions in the solution to a parent salt.

Parameters **None**

Returns Salt

Salt object containing information about the parent salt.

See also:

salt_ion_match.py

get_solute(i)

Return the specified solute object.

get_solvent()

Return the solvent object.

get_solvent_mass()

Return the mass of the solvent.

This method is used whenever mol/kg (or similar) concentrations are requested by get_amount()

¹¹ Sata, Toshikatsu. Ion Exchange Membranes: Preparation, Characterization, and Modification. Royal Society of Chemistry, 2004, p. 10.

¹² http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Osmotic_pressure#Derivation_of_osmotic_pressure

Parameters None

Returns Quantity: the mass of the solvent, in kg

See also:

get_amount

get_temperature()

Return the temperature of the solution.

Parameters None

Returns Quantity: The temperature of the solution, in Kelvin.

get_total_amount (*element, units*)

Return the total amount of 'element' (across all solutes) in the solution.

Parameters **element** : str

String representing the name of the element of interest

units : str

Units desired for the output. Examples of valid units are 'mol/L', 'mol/kg', 'mol', 'kg', and 'g/L'

Returns The total amount of the element in the solution, in the specified units

See also:

get_amount

Notes

There is currently no way to distinguish between different oxidation states of the same element (e.g. TOTFe(II) vs. TOTFe(III)). This is planned for a future release. (TODO)

get_total_moles_solute()

Return the total moles of all solute in the solution

get_transport_number (*solute, activity_correction=False*)

Calculate the transport number of the solute in the solution

Parameters **solute** : str

String identifying the solute for which the transport number is to be calculated.

activity_correction: bool

If True, the transport number will be corrected for activity following the same method used for solution conductivity. Defaults to False if omitted.

Returns float

The transport number of *solute*

See also:

get_conductivity

Notes

Transport number is calculated according to ¹³ :

$$t_i = \frac{D_i z_i^2 C_i}{\sum D_i z_i^2 C_i}$$

Where C is the concentration in mol/L.

If *activity_correction* is True, the contribution of each ion to the transport number is corrected with an activity factor. See the documentation for `get_conductivity()` for an explanation of this correction.

References

`get_viscosity_dynamic()`

Return the dynamic (absolute) viscosity of the solution.

Calculated from the kinematic viscosity

See also:

`get_viscosity_kinematic`, `get_viscosity_relative`

`get_viscosity_kinematic()`

Return the kinematic viscosity of the solution.

See also:

`get_density_dynamic`, `get_viscosity_relative`

Notes

The calculation is based on a model derived from the Eyring equation and presented in ¹⁴

$$\ln \nu = \ln \frac{\nu_w MW_w}{\sum_i x_i MW_i} + 15x_+^2 + x_+^3 \delta G_{123}^* + 3x_+ \delta G_{23}^* (1 - 0.05x_+)$$

Where:

$$\delta G_{123}^* = a_o + a_1(T)^{0.75}$$

$$\delta G_{23}^* = b_o + b_1(T)^{0.5}$$

In which :math: *nu* is the kinematic viscosity, MW is the molecular weight, *x*₊ is the mole fraction of cations, and T is the temperature in degrees C.

The a and b fitting parameters for a variety of common salts are included in the database.

¹³ Geise, G. M.; Cassady, H. J.; Paul, D. R.; Logan, E.; Hickner, M. A. Specific ion effects on membrane potential and the permselectivity of ion exchange membranes. *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* 2014, 16, 21673–21681.

¹⁴ Vázquez-Castillo, G.; Iglesias-Silva, G. a.; Hall, K. R. An extension of the McAllister model to correlate kinematic viscosity of electrolyte solutions. *Fluid Phase Equilib.* 2013, 358, 44–49.

References

`get_viscosity_relative()`

Return the viscosity of the solution relative to that of water

This is calculated using a simplified form of the Jones-Dole equation:

$$\eta_{rel} = 1 + \sum_i B_i m_i$$

Where m is the molal concentration and B is an empirical parameter.

See <http://downloads.olisystems.com/ResourceCD/TransportProperties/Viscosity-Aqueous.pdf>

<http://www.nrcresearchpress.com/doi/pdf/10.1139/v77-148>

<http://apple.csgi.unifi.it/~fratini/chen/pdf/14.pdf>

`get_volume()`

Return the volume of the solution.

Parameters None

Returns Quantity: the volume of the solution, in L

`get_water_activity()`

Return the water activity

Returns float :

The thermodynamic activity of water in the solution.

Notes

Water activity is related to the osmotic coefficient in a solution containing i solutes by: ¹⁵

$$\ln a_w = -\Phi M_w \sum_i m_i$$

Where M_w is the molar mass of water (0.018015 kg/mol) and m_i is the molal concentration of each species.

If appropriate Pitzer model parameters are not available, the water activity is assumed equal to the mole fraction of water.

References

Examples

If 'soln' is a 0.5 mol/kg NaCl solution at 25 degC: >>> soln.get_water_activity() 0.9835...

If 'soln' is a 5.11 mol/kg NaHCO2 (sodium formate) solution at 25 degC: (literature value from Cabot specialty fluids is 0.82) >>> soln.get_water_activity() 0.8631...

`list_activities(decimals=4)`

List the activity of each species in a solution.

Parameters decimals: int

¹⁵ Blandamer, Mike J., Engberts, Jan B. F. N., Gleeson, Peter T., Reis, Joao Carlos R., 2005. "Activity of water in aqueous systems: A frequently neglected property." //Chemical Society Review// 34, 440-458.

The number of decimal places to display. Defaults to 4.

Returns dict

Dictionary containing a list of the species in solution paired with their activity

list_concentrations (*unit='mol/kg', decimals=4*)

List the concentration of each species in a solution.

Parameters **unit: str**

String representing the desired concentration unit.

decimals: int

The number of decimal places to display. Defaults to 4.

Returns dict

Dictionary containing a list of the species in solution paired with their amount in the specified units

list_solutes ()

List all the solutes in the solution.

p (*solute, activity=True*)

Return the negative log of the activity of solute.

Generally used for expressing concentration of hydrogen ions (pH)

Parameters **solute : str**

String representing the formula of the solute

activity: bool, optional

If False, the function will use the molar concentration rather than the activity to calculate p. Defaults to True.

Returns Quantity

The negative log₁₀ of the activity (or molar concentration if activity = False) of the solute.

Examples

TODO

set_amount (*solute, amount*)

Set the amount of 'solute' in the parent solution.

Parameters **solute : str**

String representing the name of the solute of interest

amount : str Quantity

String representing the concentration desired, e.g. '1 mol/kg' If the units are given on a per-volume basis, the solution volume is not recalculated and the molar concentrations of other components in the solution are not altered, while the molal concentrations are modified.

If the units are given on a mass, substance, per-mass, or per-substance basis, then the solution volume is recalculated based on the new composition and the molal concentrations of other components are not altered, while the molar concentrations are modified.

Returns Nothing. The concentration of solute is modified.

See also:

`Solute.set_moles`

set_pressure (*pressure*)

Set the hydrostatic pressure of the solution.

Parameters **pressure** : str

String representing the temperature, e.g. '25 degC'

set_temperature (*temperature*)

Set the solution temperature.

Parameters **temperature** : str

String representing the temperature, e.g. '25 degC'

set_volume (*volume*)

Change the total solution volume to volume, while preserving all component concentrations

Parameters **volume** : str quantity

Total volume of the solution, including the unit, e.g. '1 L'

Examples

```
>>> mysol = Solution(['Na+', '2 mol/L'], ['Cl-', '0.01 mol/L'], volume='500 mL')
>>> print(mysol.get_volume())
0.5000883925072983 l
>>> mysol.list_concentrations()
{'H2O': '55.508435061791985 mol/kg', 'Cl-': '0.00992937605907076 mol/kg', 'Na+': '2.005934557
>>> mysol.set_volume('200 mL')
>>> print(mysol.get_volume())
0.2 l
>>> mysol.list_concentrations()
{'H2O': '55.50843506179199 mol/kg', 'Cl-': '0.00992937605907076 mol/kg', 'Na+': '2.005934557
```

The Solute Class

pyEQL Solute class

This file contains functions and methods for managing properties of individual solutes. The Solute class contains methods for accessing ONLY those properties that DO NOT depend on solution composition. Solute properties such as activity coefficient or concentration that do depend on composition are accessed via Solution class methods.

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class `pyEQL.solute.Solute` (*formula, amount, volume, solvent_mass, parameters={}*)
 represent each chemical species as an object containing its formal charge, transport numbers, concentration, activity, etc.

Methods

<code>add_moles(amount, volume, solvent_mass)</code>	Increase or decrease the amount of a substance present in the solution
<code>add_parameter(name, magnitude[, units])</code>	Add a parameter to the parameters database for a solute
<code>get_formal_charge()</code>	Return the formal charge of the solute
<code>get_molecular_weight()</code>	Return the molecular weight of the solute
<code>get_moles()</code>	Return the moles of solute in the solution
<code>get_name()</code>	Return the name (formula) of the solute
<code>get_parameter(parameter[, temperature, ...])</code>	Return the value of the parameter named 'parameter'
<code>set_moles(amount, volume, solvent_mass)</code>	Set the amount of a substance present in the solution

add_moles (*amount, volume, solvent_mass*)

Increase or decrease the amount of a substance present in the solution

Parameters **amount:** **str quantity**

Amount of substance to add. Must be in mass or substance units. Negative values indicate subtraction of material.

add_parameter (*name, magnitude, units=' ', **kwargs*)

Add a parameter to the parameters database for a solute

See pyEQL.parameters documentation for a description of the arguments

get_formal_charge ()

Return the formal charge of the solute

Parameters **None**

Returns int

The formal charge of the solute

get_molecular_weight ()

Return the molecular weight of the solute

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The molecular weight of the solute, in g/mol

get_moles ()

Return the moles of solute in the solution

Parameters None

Returns Quantity

The number of moles of solute

get_name ()

Return the name (formula) of the solute

Parameters None

Returns str

The chemical formula of the solute

get_parameter (*parameter, temperature=None, pressure=None, ionic_strength=None*)

Return the value of the parameter named 'parameter'

set_moles (*amount, volume, solvent_mass*)

Set the amount of a substance present in the solution

Parameters **amount:** str **quantity**

Desired amount of substance. Must be greater than or equal to zero and given in mass or substance units.

Internal Reference Documentation

8.1 Activity Correction API

pyEQL activity correction library

This file contains functions for computing molal-scale activity coefficients of ions and salts in aqueous solution.

Individual functions for activity coefficients are defined here so that they can be used independently of a pyEQL solution object. Normally, these functions are called from within the `get_activity_coefficient` method of the `Solution` class.

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`pyEQL.activity_correction._debye_parameter_B` (*temperature*='25 degC')

Return the constant B used in the extended Debye-Huckel equation

Parameters *temperature* : str Quantity, optional

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

Notes

The parameter B is equal to: ¹

$$B = \left(\frac{8\pi N_A e^2}{1000\epsilon kT} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Examples

```
>>> _debye_parameter_B()
0.3291...
```

`pyEQL.activity_correction._debye_parameter_activity` (*temperature*='25 degC')

Return the constant A for use in the Debye-Huckel limiting law (base 10)

Parameters *temperature* : str Quantity, optional

¹ Bockris and Reddy. /Modern Electrochemistry/, vol 1. Plenum/Rosetta, 1977, p.210.

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

Returns Quantity The parameter A for use in the Debye-Huckel limiting law (base e)

See also:

`_debye_parameter_osmotic`

Notes

The parameter A is equal to: ²

$$A^\gamma = \frac{e^3(2\pi N_A \rho)^{0.5}}{(4\pi\epsilon_o\epsilon_r kT)^{1.5}}$$

Note that this equation returns the parameter value that can be used to calculate the natural logarithm of the activity coefficient. For base 10, divide the value returned by 2.303. The value is often given in base 10 terms (0.509 at 25 degC) in older textbooks.

References

Examples

```
>>> _debye_parameter_activity()  
1.17499...
```

`pyEQL.activity_correction._debye_parameter_osmotic(temperature='25 degC')`

Return the constant A_phi for use in calculating the osmotic coefficient according to Debye-Huckel theory

Parameters **temperature** : str Quantity, optional

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`

Notes

Not to be confused with the Debye-Huckel constant used for activity coefficients in the limiting law. Takes the value 0.392 at 25 C. This constant is calculated according to: ^{3 4}

$$A^\phi = \frac{1}{3}A^\gamma$$

² Archer, Donald G. and Wang, Peiming. "The Dielectric Constant of Water and Debye-Huckel Limiting Law Slopes." /J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data/ 19(2), 1990.

³ Kim, Hee-Talk and Frederick, William Jr, 1988. "Evaluation of Pitzer Ion Interaction Parameters of Aqueous Electrolytes at 25 C. 1. Single Salt Parameters," //J. Chemical Engineering Data// 33, pp.177-184.

⁴ Archer, Donald G. and Wang, Peiming. "The Dielectric Constant of Water and Debye-Huckel Limiting Law Slopes." /J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data/ 19(2), 1990.

References

Examples

```
>>> _debye_parameter_osmotic()
0.3916...
```

pyEQL.activity_correction._debye_parameter_volume (temperature='25 degC')

Return the constant A_V, the Debye-Huckel limiting slope for apparent molar volume.

Parameters temperature : str Quantity, optional

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

See also:

[`_debye_parameter_osmotic`](#)

Notes

Takes the value $1.8305 \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{0.5} / \text{mol}^{1.5}$ at 25 C. This constant is calculated according to: ⁵

$$A_V = -2A_\phi RT \left[\frac{3}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial p} \right]$$

NOTE: at this time, the term in brackets (containing the partial derivatives) is approximate. These approximations give the correct value of the slope at 25 degC and produce estimates with less than 10% error between 0 and 60 degC.

The derivative of epsilon with respect to pressure is assumed constant (for atmospheric pressure) at -0.01275 1/MPa. Note that the negative sign does not make sense in light of real data, but is required to give the correct result.

The second term is equivalent to the inverse of the bulk modulus of water, which is taken to be 2.2 GPa. ⁶

References

Examples

TODO

pyEQL.activity_correction._pitzer_B_MX (ionic_strength, alpha1, alpha2, beta0, beta1, beta2)

Return the B_MX coefficient for the Pitzer ion interaction model.

$$B_M X = \beta_0 + \beta_1 f_1(\alpha_1 I^{0.5}) + \beta_2 f_2(\alpha_2 I^{0.5})$$

Parameters ionic_strength: number

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

alpha1, alpha2: number

⁵ Archer, Donald G. and Wang, Peiming. "The Dielectric Constant of Water and Debye-Huckel Limiting Law Slopes." /J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data/ 19(2), 1990.

⁶ <http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/permot3.html>

Coefficients for the Pitzer model, kg ** 0.5 / mol ** 0.5

beta0, beta1, beta2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. These ion-interaction parameters are specific to each salt system.

Returns float

The B_MX parameter for the Pitzer ion interaction model.

See also:

`_pitzer_fl`

References

Scharge, T., Munoz, A.G., and Moog, H.C. (2012). Activity Coefficients of Fission Products in Highly Salinary Solutions of Na+, K+, Mg2+, Ca2+, Cl-, and SO42- : Cs+. /Journal of Chemical& Engineering Data (57), p. 1637-1647.

Kim, H., & Jr, W. F. (1988). Evaluation of Pitzer ion interaction parameters of aqueous electrolytes at 25 degree C. 1. Single salt parameters. Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, (2), 177–184.

pyEQL.activity_correction._**pitzer_B_phi**(*ionic_strength*, *alpha1*, *alpha2*, *beta0*, *beta1*,
beta2)

Return the B^Phi coefficient for the Pitzer ion interaction model.

$$B^{\Phi} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \exp(-\alpha_1 I^{0.5}) + \beta_2 \exp(-\alpha_2 I^{0.5})$$

or

$$B^{\Phi} = B^{\gamma} - B_{MX}$$

Parameters ionic_strength: number

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

alpha1, alpha2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model, kg ** 0.5 / mol ** 0.5

beta0, beta1, beta2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. These ion-interaction parameters are specific to each salt system.

Returns float

The B^Phi parameter for the Pitzer ion interaction model.

References

Scharge, T., Munoz, A.G., and Moog, H.C. (2012). Activity Coefficients of Fission Products in Highly Salinary Solutions of Na+, K+, Mg2+, Ca2+, Cl-, and SO42- : Cs+. /Journal of Chemical& Engineering Data (57), p. 1637-1647.

Kim, H., & Jr, W. F. (1988). Evaluation of Pitzer ion interaction parameters of aqueous electrolytes at 25 degree C. 1. Single salt parameters. Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, (2), 177–184.

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`pyEQL.activity_correction._pitzer_f1(x)`

The function of ionic strength used to calculate eta_MX in the Pitzer ion interaction model.

$$f(x) = 2[1 - (1 + x) \exp(-x)]/x^2$$

References

Scharge, T., Munoz, A.G., and Moog, H.C. (2012). Activity Coefficients of Fission Products in Highly Salinary Solutions of Na+, K+, Mg2+, Ca2+, Cl-, and SO42- : Cs+. /Journal of Chemical& Engineering Data (57), p. 1637-1647.

Kim, H., & Jr, W. F. (1988). Evaluation of Pitzer ion interaction parameters of aqueous electrolytes at 25 degree C. 1. Single salt parameters. Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, (2), 177–184.

`pyEQL.activity_correction._pitzer_f2(x)`

The function of ionic strength used to calculate eta_gamma in the Pitzer ion interaction model.

$$f(x) = -\frac{2}{x^2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1 + x + x^2}{2} \right) \exp(-x) \right]$$

References

Scharge, T., Munoz, A.G., and Moog, H.C. (2012). Activity Coefficients of Fission Products in Highly Salinary Solutions of Na+, K+, Mg2+, Ca2+, Cl-, and SO42- : Cs+. /Journal of Chemical& Engineering Data (57), p. 1637-1647.

Kim, H., & Jr, W. F. (1988). Evaluation of Pitzer ion interaction parameters of aqueous electrolytes at 25 degree C. 1. Single salt parameters. Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, (2), 177–184.

`pyEQL.activity_correction._pitzer_log_gamma(ionic_strength, molality, B_MX, B_phi, C_phi, z_cation, z_anion, nu_cation, nu_anion, temperature='25 degC', b=<Quantity(1.2, 'kilogram ** 0.5 / mole ** 0.5')>)`

Return the natural logarithm of the binary activity coefficient calculated by the Pitzer ion interaction model.

$$\ln \gamma_{MX} = -\frac{|z_+ z_-| A^{Phi}(I^{0.5})}{(1 + bI^{0.5})} + \frac{2}{b} \ln(1 + bI^{0.5}) + \frac{m(2\nu_+ \nu_-)}{(\nu_+ + \nu_-)} (B_{MX} + B_{MX}^\Phi) + \frac{m^2(3(\nu_+ \nu_-)^{1.5})}{(\nu_+ + \nu_-)} C_{MX}^\Phi$$

Parameters ionic_strength: Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

molality: Quantity

The concentration of the salt, mol/kg

B_MX, B_phi, C_phi: Quantity

Calculated paramters for the Pitzer ion interaction model.

z_cation, z_anion: int

The formal charge on the cation and anion, respectively

nu_cation, nu_anion: int

The stoichiometric coefficient of the cation and anion in the salt

temperature: str Quantity

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

b: number, optional

Coefficient. Usually set equal to $1.2 \text{ kg}^{0.5} / \text{mol}^{0.5}$ and considered independent of temperature and pressure

Returns float

The natural logarithm of the binary activity coefficient calculated by the Pitzer ion interaction model.

References

Kim, H., & Jr, W. F. (1988). Evaluation of Pitzer ion interaction parameters of aqueous electrolytes at 25 degree C. 1. Single salt parameters. Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data, (2), 177–184.

May, P. M., Rowland, D., Hefter, G., & Königsberger, E. (2011). A Generic and Updatable Pitzer Characterization of Aqueous Binary Electrolyte Solutions at 1 bar and 25 °C. Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data, 56(12), 5066–5077. doi:10.1021/je2009329

`pyEQL.activity_correction.get_activity_coefficient_davies` (*ionic_strength*, *formal_charge=1*, *temperature='25 degC'*)

Return the activity coefficient of solute in the parent solution according to the Davies equation.

Parameters `formal_charge` : int, optional

The charge on the solute, including sign. Defaults to +1 if not specified.

ionic_strength : Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

temperature : str Quantity, optional

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

Returns Quantity

The mean molal (mol/kg) scale ionic activity coefficient of solute, dimensionless.

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`

Notes

Activity coefficient is calculated according to: ⁷

$$\ln \gamma = A^\gamma z_i^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{I}}{(1 + \sqrt{I})} + 0.2I \right)$$

Valid for $0.1 < I < 0.5$

⁷ Stumm, Werner and Morgan, James J. Aquatic Chemistry, 3rd ed, pp 103. Wiley Interscience, 1996.

References

`pyEQL.activity_correction.get_activity_coefficient_debye_huckel` (*ionic_strength*,
formal_charge=1,
temperature='25 degC')

Return the activity coefficient of solute in the parent solution according to the Debye-Huckel limiting law.

Parameters `formal_charge` : int, optional

The charge on the solute, including sign. Defaults to +1 if not specified.

`ionic_strength` : Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

`temperature` : str Quantity, optional

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

Returns Quantity

The mean molal (mol/kg) scale ionic activity coefficient of solute, dimensionless.

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`

Notes

Activity coefficient is calculated according to:⁸

$$\ln \gamma = A^\gamma z_i^2 \sqrt{I}$$

Valid only for $I < 0.005$

References

`pyEQL.activity_correction.get_activity_coefficient_guntelberg` (*ionic_strength*,
formal_charge=1,
temperature='25 degC')

Return the activity coefficient of solute in the parent solution according to the Guntelberg approximation.

Parameters `formal_charge` : int, optional

The charge on the solute, including sign. Defaults to +1 if not specified.

`ionic_strength` : Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

`temperature` : str Quantity, optional

⁸ Stumm, Werner and Morgan, James J. Aquatic Chemistry, 3rd ed, pp 103. Wiley Interscience, 1996.

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

Returns Quantity

The mean molal (mol/kg) scale ionic activity coefficient of solute, dimensionless.

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`

Notes

Activity coefficient is calculated according to:⁹

$$\ln \gamma = A^\gamma z_i^2 \frac{\sqrt{I}}{(1 + \sqrt{I})}$$

Valid for $I < 0.1$

References

`pyEQL.activity_correction.get_activity_coefficient_pitzer` (*ionic_strength*, *molality*, *alpha1*, *alpha2*, *beta0*, *beta1*, *beta2*, *C_phi*, *z_cation*, *z_anion*, *nu_cation*, *nu_anion*, *temperature*='25 degC', *b*=1.2)

Return the activity coefficient of solute in the parent solution according to the Pitzer model.

Parameters **ionic_strength:** Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

molality: Quantity

The molal concentration of the parent salt, mol/kg

alpha1, alpha2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. This function assigns the coefficients proper units of kg ** 0.5 / mol ** 0.5 after they are entered.

beta0, beta1, beta2, C_phi: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. These ion-interaction parameters are specific to each salt system.

z_cation, z_anion: int

The formal charge on the cation and anion, respectively

nu_cation, nu_anion: int

The stoichiometric coefficient of the cation and anion in the salt

temperature: str Quantity

⁹ Stumm, Werner and Morgan, James J. Aquatic Chemistry, 3rd ed, pp 103. Wiley Interscience, 1996.

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

b: number, optional

Coefficient. Usually set equal to 1.2 and considered independent of temperature and pressure. If provided, this coefficient is assigned proper units of $\text{kg}^{**0.5} / \text{mol}^{**0.5}$ after entry.

Returns Quantity

The mean molal (mol/kg) scale ionic activity coefficient of solute, dimensionless

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`, `_pitzer_B_MX`, `_pitzer_B_gamma`, `_pitzer_B_phi`, `_pitzer_log_gamma`

References

Scharge, T., Munoz, A.G., and Moog, H.C. (2012). Activity Coefficients of Fission Products in Highly Salinary Solutions of Na⁺, K⁺, Mg²⁺, Ca²⁺, Cl⁻, and SO₄²⁻ : Cs⁺. /Journal of Chemical& Engineering Data (57), p. 1637-1647.

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Beyer, R., & Steiger, M. (2010). Vapor Pressure Measurements of NaHCOO + H₂O and KHCOO + H₂O from 278 to 308 K and Representation with an Ion Interaction (Pitzer) Model. Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data, 55(2), 830–838. doi:10.1021/je900487a

Examples

```
>>> get_activity_coefficient_pitzer(0.5*unit('mol/kg'),0.5*unit('mol/kg'),1,0.5,-.0181191983,-.4
0.61915...
```

```
>>> get_activity_coefficient_pitzer(5.6153*unit('mol/kg'),5.6153*unit('mol/kg'),3,0.5,0.0369993,
0.76331...
```

NOTE: the examples below are for comparison with experimental and modeling data presented in the May et al reference below.

10 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.2725

```
>>> get_activity_coefficient_pitzer(10*unit('mol/kg'),10*unit('mol/kg'),2,0,-0.01709,0.09198,0,0.0
0.22595 ...
```

5 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.3011

```
>>> get_activity_coefficient_pitzer(5*unit('mol/kg'),5*unit('mol/kg'),2,0,-0.01709,0.09198,0,0.0
0.30249 ...
```

18 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.1653

```
>>> get_activity_coefficient_pitzer(18*unit('mol/kg'), 18*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, -0.01709, 0.09198, 0, 0, 0.16241 ...
```

```
pyEQL.activity_correction.get_apparent_volume_pitzer(ionic_strength, molality, al-  
                                                    pha1, alpha2, beta0, beta1,  
                                                    beta2, C_phi, V_o, z_cation,  
                                                    z_anion, nu_cation, nu_anion,  
                                                    temperature='25      degC',  
                                                    b=1.2)
```

Return the apparent molar volume of solute in the parent solution according to the Pitzer model.

Parameters **ionic_strength:** Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

molality: Quantity

The molal concentration of the parent salt, mol/kg

alpha1, alpha2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. This function assigns the coefficients proper units of $\text{kg}^{**0.5} / \text{mol}^{**0.5}$ after they are entered.

beta0, beta1, beta2, C_phi: number

Pitzer coefficients for the apparent molar volume. These ion-interaction parameters are specific to each salt system.

V_o: number

The V^o Pitzer coefficient for the apparent molar volume.

z_cation, z_anion: int

The formal charge on the cation and anion, respectively

nu_cation, nu_anion: int

The stoichiometric coefficient of the cation and anion in the salt

temperature: str Quantity

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

b: number, optional

Coefficient. Usually set equal to 1.2 and considered independent of temperature and pressure. If provided, this coefficient is assigned proper units of $\text{kg}^{**0.5} / \text{mol}^{**0.5}$ after entry.

Returns Quantity

The apparent molar volume of the solute, $\text{cm}^{**3} / \text{mol}$

See also:

[`_debye_parameter_volume`](#), [`_pitzer_B_MX`](#)

References

May, P. M., Rowland, D., Hefter, G., & Königsberger, E. (2011). A Generic and Updatable Pitzer Characterization of Aqueous Binary Electrolyte Solutions at 1 bar and 25 °C. *Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data*,

56(12), 5066–5077. doi:10.1021/je2009329

Krumgalz, Boris S., Pogorelsky, Rita (1996). Volumetric Properties of Single Aqueous Electrolytes from Zero to Saturation Concentration at 298.15 K Represented by Pitzer's Ion-Interaction Equations. Journal of Physical Chemical Reference Data, 25(2), 663-689.

Examples

NOTE: the example below is for comparison with experimental and modeling data presented in the Krumgalz et al reference below.

0.25 mol/kg CuSO₄. Expected result (from graph) = 0.5 cm³ / mol

```
>>> get_apparent_volume_pitzer(1.0*unit('mol/kg'), 0.25*unit('mol/kg'), 1.4, 12, 0.001499, -0.008124, 0.404...
```

1.0 mol/kg CuSO₄. Expected result (from graph) = 4 cm³ / mol

```
>>> get_apparent_volume_pitzer(4.0*unit('mol/kg'), 1.0*unit('mol/kg'), 1.4, 12, 0.001499, -0.008124, 0.424...
```

10.0 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Expected result (from graph) = 50.3 cm³ / mol

```
>>> get_apparent_volume_pitzer(10.0*unit('mol/kg'), 10.0*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, 0.000001742, 0.0002926, 50.286...
```

20.0 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Expected result (from graph) = 51.2 cm³ / mol

```
>>> get_apparent_volume_pitzer(20.0*unit('mol/kg'), 20.0*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, 0.000001742, 0.0002926, 51.145...
```

NOTE: the examples below are for comparison with experimental and modeling data presented in the Krumgalz et al reference below.

0.8 mol/kg NaF. Expected result = 0.03

```
>>> get_apparent_volume_pitzer(0.8*unit('mol/kg'), 0.8*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, 0.000024693, 0.00003169, 0.22595 ...
```

```
pyEQL.activity_correction.get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(ionic_strength, molality, alpha1, alpha2, beta0, beta1, beta2, C_phi, z_cation, z_anion, nu_cation, nu_anion, temperature='25 degC', b=1.2)
```

Return the osmotic coefficient of water in an electrolyte solution according to the Pitzer model.

Parameters ionic_strength: Quantity

The ionic strength of the parent solution, mol/kg

molality: Quantity

The molal concentration of the parent salt, mol/kg

alpha1, alpha2: number

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. This function assigns the coefficients proper units of kg^{0.5} / mol^{0.5} after they are entered.

beta0, beta1, beta2, C_phi

Coefficients for the Pitzer model. These ion-interaction parameters are specific to each salt system.

z_cation, z_anion: int

The formal charge on the cation and anion, respectively

nu_cation, nu_anion: int

The stoichiometric coefficient of the cation and anion in the salt

temperature: str Quantity

String representing the temperature of the solution. Defaults to '25 degC' if not specified.

b: number, optional

Coefficient. Usually set equal to 1.2 and considered independent of temperature and pressure. If provided, this coefficient is assigned proper units of $\text{kg}^{0.5} / \text{mol}^{0.5}$ after entry.

Returns Quantity

The osmotic coefficient of water, dimensionless

See also:

`_debye_parameter_activity`, `_pitzer_B_MX`, `_pitzer_B_gamma`, `_pitzer_B_phi`, `_pitzer_log_gamma`

References

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Examples

Experimental value according to Beyer and Stieger reference is 1.3550

```
>>> get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(10.175*unit('mol/kg'), 10.175*unit('mol/kg'), 1, 0.5, -.018119198, 1.3552 ...
```

Experimental value according to Beyer and Stieger reference is 1.084

```
>>> get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(5.6153*unit('mol/kg'), 5.6153*unit('mol/kg'), 3, 0.5, 0.0369993, 1.0850 ...
```

NOTE: the examples below are for comparison with experimental and modeling data presented in the May et al reference below.

10 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.62

```
>>> get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(10*unit('mol/kg'), 10*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, -0.01709, 0.09198, 0, 0.0001, 0.0001, 0.0001)
0.6143 ...
```

5 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.7

```
>>> get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(5*unit('mol/kg'), 5*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, -0.01709, 0.09198, 0, 0.0001, 0.0001, 0.0001)
0.6925 ...
```

18 mol/kg ammonium nitrate. Estimated result (from graph) = 0.555

```
>>> get_osmotic_coefficient_pitzer(18*unit('mol/kg'), 18*unit('mol/kg'), 2, 0, -0.01709, 0.09198, 0, 0.0001, 0.0001, 0.0001)
0.5556 ...
```

8.2 Water Properties API

pyEQL water properties library

This file contains functions for retrieving various physical properties of water substance

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pyEQL.water_properties.**water_density**(*temperature*=<Quantity(25, 'degC')>, *pressure*=<Quantity(1, 'atmosphere')>)

Return the density of water in kg/m3 at the specified temperature and pressure.

Parameters *temperature* : float or int, optional

The temperature in Celsius. Defaults to 25 degrees if not specified.

pressure : float or int, optional

The ambient pressure of the solution in Pascals (N/m2). Defaults to atmospheric pressure (101325 Pa) if not specified.

Returns float

The density of water in kg/m3.

Notes

Based on the following empirical equation reported in ¹⁰

$$\rho_W = 999.65 + 0.20438T - 6.1744e - 2T^{1.5}$$

Where T is the temperature in Celsius.

Examples

¹⁰ Sohnel, O and Novotny, P. //Densities of Aqueous Solutions of Inorganic Substances.// Elsevier Science, Amsterdam, 1985.

```
>>> water_density(25*unit('degC'))
<Quantity(997.0415, 'kilogram / meter ** 3')>
```

pyEQL.water_properties.**water_dielectric_constant** (*temperature*=<Quantity(25, 'degC')>)

Return the dielectric constant of water at the specified temperature.

Parameters **temperature** : Quantity, optional

The temperature. Defaults to 25 degC if omitted.

Returns float

The dielectric constant (or permittivity) of water relative to the permittivity of a vacuum.
Dimensionless.

Notes

This function implements a quadratic fit of measured permittivity data as reported in the CRC Handbook ¹¹. The parameters given are valid over the range 273 K to 372 K. Permittivity should not be extrapolated beyond this range.

$$\epsilon(T) = a + bT + cT^2$$

References

Examples

```
>>> water_dielectric_constant(unit('20 degC'))
80.15060...
```

Display an error if 'temperature' is outside the valid range

```
>>> water_dielectric_constant(-5*unit('degC'))
```

pyEQL.water_properties.**water_specific_weight** (*temperature*=<Quantity(25, 'degC')>, *pressure*=<Quantity(1, 'atmosphere')>)

Return the specific weight of water in N/m3 at the specified temperature and pressure.

Parameters **temperature** : Quantity, optional

The temperature. Defaults to 25 degC if omitted.

pressure : Quantity, optional

The ambient pressure of the solution. Defaults to atmospheric pressure (1 atm) if omitted.

Returns Quantity

The specific weight of water in N/m3.

See also:

[*water_density*](#)

¹¹ "Permittivity (Dielectric Constant) of Liquids." CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 92nd ed, pp 6-187 - 6-208.

Examples

```
>>> water_specific_weight()
<Quantity(9777.637025975, 'newton / meter ** 3')>
```

```
pyEQL.water_properties.water_viscosity_dynamic(temperature=<Quantity(25, 'degC')>,
                                                  pressure=<Quantity(1, 'atmo-
                                                  sphere')>)
```

Return the dynamic (absolute) viscosity of water in N-s/m² = Pa-s = kg/m-s at the specified temperature.

Parameters **temperature** : Quantity, optional

The temperature. Defaults to 25 degC if omitted.

pressure : Quantity, optional

The ambient pressure of the solution. Defaults to atmospheric pressure (1 atm) if omitted.

Returns Quantity

The dynamic (absolute) viscosity of water in N-s/m² = Pa-s = kg/m-s

Notes

Implements the international equation for viscosity of water as specified by NIST ¹²

Valid for 273 < temperature < 1073 K and 0 < pressure < 100,000,000 Pa

References

Examples

```
>>> water_viscosity_dynamic(20*unit('degC'))
<Quantity(0.000998588610804179, 'kilogram / meter / second')>
>>> water_viscosity_dynamic(unit('100 degC'), unit('25 MPa'))
<Quantity(0.00028165034364318573, 'kilogram / meter / second')>
>>> water_viscosity_dynamic(25*unit('degC'), 0.1*unit('MPa'))
<Quantity(0.0008872817880143659, 'kilogram / meter / second')>
```

#TODO - check these again after I implement pressure-dependent density function

```
pyEQL.water_properties.water_viscosity_kinematic(temperature=<Quantity(25,
                                                  'degC')>, pressure=<Quantity(1,
                                                  'atmosphere')>)
```

Return the kinematic viscosity of water in m²/s = Stokes at the specified temperature.

Parameters **temperature** : Quantity, optional

The temperature. Defaults to 25 degC if omitted.

pressure : Quantity, optional

The ambient pressure of the solution. Defaults to atmospheric pressure (1 atm) if omitted.

Returns Quantity

¹² Sengers, J.V. "Representative Equations for the Viscosity of Water Substance." J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data 13(1), 1984.<http://www.nist.gov/data/PDFfiles/jpcrd243.pdf>

The kinematic viscosity of water in Stokes (m²/s)

See also:

water_viscosity_dynamic, water_density

Examples

```
>>> water_viscosity_kinematic()  
<Quantity(8.899146003595295e-07, 'meter ** 2 / second')>
```

Functions Module

pyEQL functions that take Solution objects as inputs or return Solution objects

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`pyEQL.functions.autogenerate` (*solution*='')

This method provides a quick way to create Solution objects representing commonly-encountered solutions, such as seawater and freshwater.

Parameters *solution* : str

String representing the desired solution Valid entries are 'seawater' and ''

Returns

Solution : a pyEQL Solution object

Notes

The following sections explain the different solution options:

- '' - empty solution, equivalent to `pyEQL.Solution()`
- 'rainwater' - pure water in equilibrium with atmospheric CO₂ at pH 6
- 'seawater' - Standard Seawater. See Table 4 of the Reference for Composition ¹

References

`pyEQL.functions.donnan_eq1` (*solution*, *fixed_charge*)

Return a solution object in equilibrium with *fixed_charge*

Parameters *Solution* : Solution object

The external solution to be brought into equilibrium with the fixed charges

fixed_charge : str quantity

String representing the concentration of fixed charges, including sign. May be specified in mol/L or mol/kg units. e.g. '1 mol/kg'

¹ Millero, Frank J. "The composition of Standard Seawater and the definition of the Reference-Composition Salinity Scale." Deep-sea Research. Part I 55(1), 2008, 50-72.

Returns Solution

A solution that has established Donnan equilibrium with the external (input) Solution

See also:

`get_salt`

Notes

The general equation representing the equilibrium between an external electrolyte solution and an ion-exchange medium containing fixed charges is:²

$$\frac{a_-}{\bar{a}_-} \frac{1}{z_-} \frac{\bar{a}_+}{a_+} \frac{1}{z_+} = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta\pi\bar{V}}{RTz_+\nu_+}\right)$$

Where subscripts + and - indicate the cation and anion, respectively, the overbar indicates the membrane phase, a represents activity, z represents charge, nu represents the stoichiometric coefficient, V represents the partial molar volume of the salt, and delta pi is the difference in osmotic pressure between the membrane and the solution phase.

In addition, electroneutrality must prevail within the membrane phase:

$$\bar{C}_+z_+ + \bar{X} + \bar{C}_-z_- = 0$$

Where C represents concentration and X is the fixed charge concentration in the membrane or ion exchange phase.

This function solves these two equations simultaneously to arrive at the concentrations of the cation and anion in the membrane phase. It returns a solution equal to the input solution except that the concentrations of the predominant cation and anion have been adjusted according to this equilibrium.

NOTE that this treatment is only capable of equilibrating a single salt. This salt is identified by the `get_salt()` method.

References**Examples**

TODO

```
pyEQL.functions.entropy_mix(Solution1, Solution2)
```

Return the ideal mixing entropy associated with mixing two solutions

Parameters **Solution1, Solution2** : Solution objects

The two solutions to be mixed.

Returns float

The ideal mixing entropy associated with complete mixing of the Solutions, in Joules.

² Strathmann, Heiner, ed. //Membrane Science and Technology// vol. 9, 2004. Chapter 2, p. 51. [http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0927-5193\(04\)80033-0](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0927-5193(04)80033-0)

Notes

The ideal entropy of mixing is calculated as follows:³

$$\Delta_{mix}S = \sum_i (n_c + n_d)RT \ln x_b - \sum_i n_c RT \ln x_c - \sum_i n_d RT \ln x_d$$

Where n is the number of moles of substance, T is the temperature in kelvin, and subscripts b, c, and refer to the concentrated, dilute, and blended Solutions, respectively.

Note that dissociated ions must be counted as separate components, so a simple salt dissolved in water is a three component solution (cation, anion, and water).

References

`pyEQL.functions.gibbs_mix (Solution1, Solution2)`

Return the Gibbs energy change associated with mixing two solutions

Parameters **Solution1, Solution2** : Solution objects

The two solutions to be mixed.

Returns float

The change in Gibbs energy associated with complete mixing of the Solutions, in Joules.

Notes

The Gibbs energy of mixing is calculated as follows: ⁴

$$\Delta_{mix}G = \sum_i (n_c + n_d)RT \ln a_b - \sum_i n_c RT \ln a_c - \sum_i n_d RT \ln a_d$$

Where n is the number of moles of substance, T is the temperature in kelvin, and subscripts b, c, and refer to the concentrated, dilute, and blended Solutions, respectively.

Note that dissociated ions must be counted as separate components, so a simple salt dissolved in water is a three component solution (cation, anion, and water).

References

`pyEQL.functions.mix (Solution1, Solution2)`

Mix two solutions together

Returns a new Solution object that results from the mixing of Solution1 and Solution2

³ Koga, Yoshikata, 2007. //Solution Thermodynamics and its Application to Aqueous Solutions: A differential approach.// Elsevier, 2007, pp. 23-37.

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