PHASE EQUILIBRIA OF THE BINARY SYSTEM CARBON DIOXIDE + DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE AT HIGH PRESSURES

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Abstract

The aim of the present work is to provide essential information on high-pressure phase equilibria of a binary system that is taking a growing interest in different supercritical fluids applications, like extraction, chromatography and crystallization.

High-pressure vapor-liquid equilibrium data were measured for the binary system carbon dioxide + dimethyl sulfoxide at different temperatures ranging from 321.15 K to 353.15 K and pressures up to 20 MPa.

The phases boundaries have been determined using the synthetic method in a Variable Volume View Cell. The mixture critical points have been also determined at the different temperatures.

The system shows an interesting behavior at temperatures above 338.15 K, where a critical line discontinuity is observed and the liquid-vapour curve presents a plateau. The thermodynamic behavior is discussed with the aid of the Soave-Redlich–Kwong equation of state, and global phase diagrams.