

**Supporting Information**

# Stability of Liquid Water Phase on Mars: A Thermodynamic Analysis Considering Martian Atmospheric Conditions and Perchlorate Brine Solutions

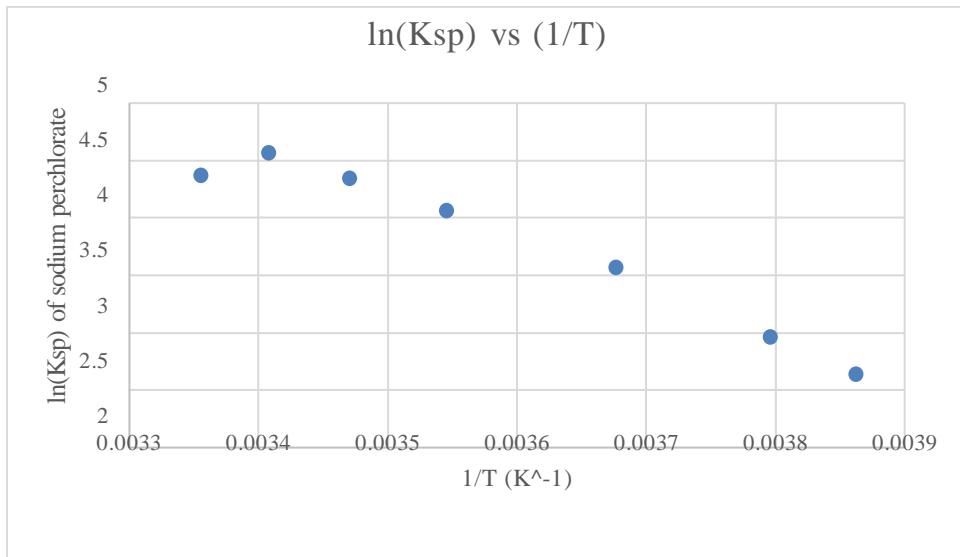
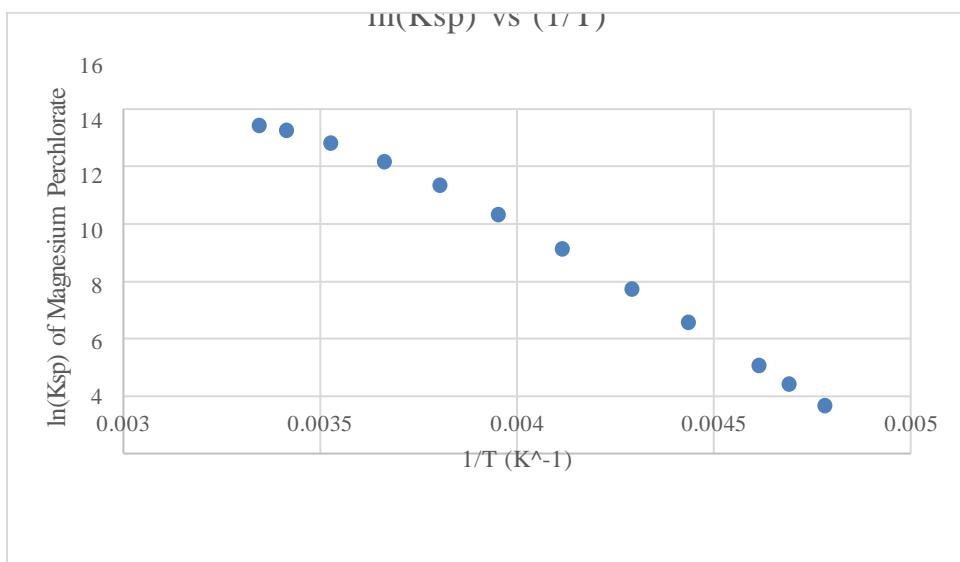
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**Supplementary Material S1****Solubility Data****Figure S1. Solubility data of sodium perchlorate****Figure S2. Solubility data of magnesium perchlorate**

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#### Supplementary Material S2

##### Computer Code used for solving Pitzer equations

A simplified form of Pitzer equation (excluding neutral species) is as given as:

$$\phi = 1 + \frac{2}{\sum m_i} \left\{ \frac{-A_\phi I^{\frac{3}{2}}}{1 + bI^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \sum \sum m_c m_a (\beta_{ca}^\phi + ZC_{ca}) \right. \\ \left. + \sum \sum m_c m_c (\Phi_{cc}^\phi + \sum m_a \psi_{cc'a}) \right. \\ \left. + \sum \sum m_a m_a (\Phi_{aa}^\phi + \sum m_c \psi_{caa}) \right\} \quad (i)$$

$$\ln \gamma_M = z_M^2 F + \sum m_a (2\beta_{Ma} + ZC_{Ma}) \\ + \sum m_c (2\Phi_{Mc} + \sum m_a \psi_{Mca}) + \sum \sum m_a m_a \psi_{Maa} \\ + |z_M| \sum \sum m_c m_a C_{ca} \quad (ii)$$

$$\ln \gamma_X = z_X^2 F + \sum m_c (2\beta_{cX} + ZC_{cX}) \\ + \sum m_a (2\Phi_{xa} + \sum m_c \psi_{cxa}) + \sum \sum m_c m_c \psi_{cc'X} \\ + |z_X| \sum \sum m_c m_a C_{ca} \quad (iii)$$

Where,  $z_i$  denotes the charge of the corresponding ion,

'c' denotes cat-ion, 'a' denotes anion,

$m_i$  denotes molality of the corresponding ion,

$$I \text{ is the ionic strength, } I = \frac{1}{2} \times \sum m_i z_i^2$$

$A_\phi$  is the Debye Huckel limiting law slope,  $A_\phi = 0.3917 \text{ m}^{-0.5}$  at 298 K,

b is a constant,  $b = 1.2 \text{ m}^{-0.5}$ ,

$$Z = \sum m_i z_i$$

$$\beta_{MX}^\phi = \beta^{(0)}_{MX} + \beta^{(1)}_{MX} \exp(-\alpha_1 \sqrt{I}) \quad (iv)$$

$$\beta_{MX} = \beta^{(0)}_{MX} + \beta^{(1)}_{MX} g(-\alpha_1 \sqrt{I}) \quad (v)$$

$$C_{MX} = \frac{C_{MX}^\phi}{2\sqrt{|z_M z_X|}} \quad (vi)$$

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$$\Phi_{ij}^\phi = \theta_{ij} + {}^E\theta_{ij} + I \frac{d {}^E\theta_{ij}}{dI} \quad (\text{vii})$$

$$\Phi_{ij} = \theta_{ij} + {}^E\theta_{ij} \quad (\text{viii})$$

$$F = -A_\phi \left[ \frac{\sqrt{I}}{1+b\sqrt{I}} + \frac{2}{b} \ln(1+b\sqrt{I}) \right] + \sum \sum m_c m_a \beta'_{ca} + \sum \sum m_c m_c \Phi'_{cc} \\ + \sum \sum m_a m_a \Phi'_{aa} \quad (\text{ix})$$

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{x^2} [1 - (1+x) \exp(-x)] \quad (\text{x})$$

$$\text{Activity of water, } a_w = \exp\left(\frac{-\phi \sum m_i}{55.5084}\right) \quad (\text{xi})$$

$\phi$  is the osmotic coefficient of water

The parameters  $\beta_{MX}^\phi$ ,  $\beta_{MX}$ ,  $C_{MX}^\phi$ ,  $\psi$  are dependent on temperature and temperature dependence is given by the equation <sup>16</sup>,

$$P = A + B(T-298.15) + C(T-298.15)^2 \quad (\text{xii})$$

Where, P can be any of the above parameters.

The standard values of  $\beta_{MX}^\phi$ ,  $\beta_{MX}$ ,  $C_{MX}^\phi$  are taken from FREZCHEM <sup>10</sup> and the values of parameters A, B, C for each of the above are given in the table below. The method of determination of parameters B and C has been explained in detail in the work of Toner et.al <sup>21</sup>. Only the values given in table 3 in that work were taken as such, whereas  $\psi_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$  and  $\theta_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}}$  were determined independently in this work as explained later.

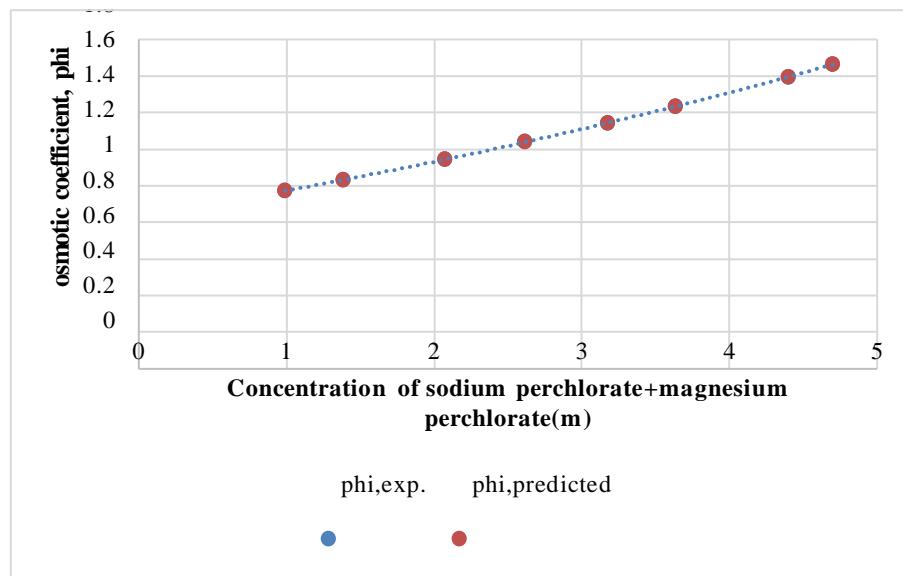
**Table S1. Pitzer parameter values <sup>21</sup>**

Parameter	A	B	C
$\beta^{(0)}_{Na^+, ClO_4^-}$	5.54E-2	7.8712E-4	-3.8727E-6
$\beta^{(1)}_{Na^+, ClO_4^-}$	2.755E-1	4.4318E-3	-1.2331E-4
$C^\phi_{Na^+, ClO_4^-}$	-1.18E-3	-5.3394E-5	3.9507E-7
$\beta^{(0)}_{Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$	4.9613E-1	4.9397E-4	-2.7085E-6
$\beta^{(1)}_{Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$	2.0085E0	5.0772E-3	-4.2302E-4
$C^\phi_{Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$	9.581E-3	-3.4602E-4	-2.1062E-7

The values of  $\psi_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$  and  $\theta_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}}$  are 0 for binary solutions.

**Table S2.** Data of calculated osmotic coefficient against experimental osmotic coefficient<sup>8</sup>

Temperature, K	Molality of sodium perchlorate, m1	Molality of magnesium perchlorate, m2	m1+m2	Osmotic coefficient, phi, experimental [21]	Osmotic coefficient, phi, calculated
268.89	0.354	0.636	0.99	0.9744	0.974
266.86	0.494	0.889	1.383	1.0317	1.033
262.78	0.740	1.331	2.071	1.1437	1.144
258.94	0.935	1.682	2.617	1.240	1.24
254.66	1.134	2.040	3.174	1.000	1.343
250.36	1.298	2.334	3.632	1.4342	1.434
242.56	1.571	2.826	4.397	1.5953	1.596
238.56	1.678	3.019	4.697	1.6627	1.663

**Figure S3.** Plot of osmotic pressure, experimental and predicted used for computation of  $\psi_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$  and

$$\theta_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}}$$

**S6****Code 1: For calculating Eutectic freezing point temperatures of Sodium Perchlorate**

```
function f = v2(x)

f = zeros(2,1);

z = [1,-1];

A = [5.54E-2;2.755E-1;-1.18E-3];

B = [7.8712E-4;4.4318E-3;-5.3394E-5];

C = [-3.8727E-6;-1.2331E-4;3.9507E-7];

Aphi = 0.3917;

b = 1.2;

m = x(1);

T = x(2);

Td = T;

M = 2*m;

I = 0.5*(m*z(1)^2+m*z(2)^2);

y = (2^(I^0.5));

g = (2*(1-((1+y)*exp(-y)))/y^2);

dg = (2*(1-((1+y+(0.5*y^2))*exp(-y)))/y^2);

beta0Na = (A(1)+ B(1)*(T-298.15)+ (C(1)*(T- 298.15)^2));

beta1Na = (A(2) + B(2)*(T-298.15)+ (C(2)*(T- 298.15)^2));

CphiNa = (A(3) + B(3)*(T-298.15)+ (C(3)*(T- 298.15)^2));

BphiNa =(beta0Na + ((beta1Na)*exp(-y)));

BNa = (beta0Na + (beta1Na*g));

BdNa = (beta1Na*dg/I);

Z=(m*z(1) - m*z(2)) ;

CNa= (CphiNa/2);

F = (-Aphi*((I^0.5)/(1+(b*I^0.5))) + (2/1.2)*log(1+(b*(I^0.5)))) + (m*m*BdNa)) ;

lNgammaNa = (F + m*(2*BNa + Z*CNa) + m*m*CNa);
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lNgammaCl = (F + m*(2*BNa + Z*CNa) + m*m*CNa);
phi = ( 1 + (2/M)*((( -Aphi*(I^1.5))/(1+(b*I^0.5)) ) + m*m*(BphiNa + (Z*CNa))) ;

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gammaNa = exp(lNgammaNa)
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gammaCl = exp(lNgammaCl)
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aw2 = exp((-phi*M)/55.50844)
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Kcal = (gammaNa*gammaCl*(m^2)*aw2^2);
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Kc = log(Kcal);
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K = (-5E-4*Td^2) + (0.3288*Td) - 49.3636;
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T
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Td
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f(1)= Td - 273.15 + ((6004.8 - (4541.94*log(aw2)) - ((47119143.38*log(aw2)) + 36057623.04)^0.5)/(81.947 - 16.628*log(aw2)));
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f(2) = K-Kc;
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end
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#### **Code 2 : For calculating Eutectic freezing point temperature of Magnesium Perchlorate**

```
function f = v5(x)
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f = zeros(2,1);
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z = [2,-1];
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```
A = [4.9613E-1;2.0085E0;9.581E-3];
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B = [4.9397E-4;5.0772E-3;-3.4602E-4];
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C = [-2.7085E-6;-4.2302E-4;-2.1062E-7];
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Aphi = 0.3917;
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b = 1.2;
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m = x(1);
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T = x(2);
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Td = T;

M = 3*m;

I = 0.5*(m*z(1)^2+(2*m*z(2)^2));

y = (2*(I^0.5));

g = (2*(1-((1+y)*exp(-y)))/y^2);

dg = (2*(1-((1+y+(0.5*y^2))*exp(-y)))/y^2)

beta0Mg = (A(1)+ B(1)*(T-298.15)+ (C(1)*(T- 298.15)^2));

beta1Mg = (A(2) + B(2)*(T-298.15)+ (C(2)*(T- 298.15)^2));

CphiMg = (A(3) + B(3)*(T-298.15)+ (C(3)*(T- 298.15)^2));

BphiMg =(beta0Mg + ((beta1Mg)*exp(-y)));

BMg = (beta0Mg + (beta1Mg*g));

BdMg = (beta1Mg*dg/I);

Z=(m*z(1) - m*z(2)) ;

CMg= (CphiMg/(2^1.5));

F = (-Aphi*((I^0.5)/(1+(b*I^0.5))) + (2/1.2)*log(1+(b*(I^0.5)))) + (2*m*m*BdMg)) ;

lngammaMg = (4*F + 2*m*(2*BMg + Z*CMg) + 4*m*m*CMg);

lngammaCl = (F + m*(2*BMg + Z*CMg) + 2*m*m*CMg);

phi = ( 1 + (2/M)*((( -Aphi*(I^1.5))/(1+(b*I^0.5))) + 2*m*m*(BphiMg + (Z*CMg))) ;

gammaMg = exp(lngammaMg)

gammaCl = exp(lngammaCl)

aw2 = exp((-phi*M)/55.50844)

gamma = (gammaMg*(gammaCl^2));

Kcal = (gamma*m*((2*m)^2)*(aw2^6));

Kc = log(Kcal);

K = (-0.0009*T^2) + (0.5881*T) - 76.0746;

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T

Td

$$f(1) = Td - 273.15 + ((6004.8 - (4541.94 * \log(aw2)) - ((47119143.38 * \log(aw2)) + 36057623.04)^{0.5}) / (81.947 - 16.628 * \log(aw2)));$$

$$f(2) = K - Kc;$$

end

**Code 3 : For calculating Eutectic freezing point temperature of Sodium Perchlorate-Magnesium Perchlorate-Water solution**

function f = v14(x)

%FP of Ternary Mixture

f = zeros(2,1);

z = [1,2,-1];

A = [5.54E-2;2.755E-1;-1.18E-3;4.9613E-1;2.0085;9.581E-3;-0.0274];

B = [7.8712E-4;4.4318E-3;-5.3394E-5;4.9397E-4;5.0772E-3;-3.4602E-4];

C = [-3.8727E-6;-1.2331E-4;3.9507E-7;-2.7085E-6;-4.2302E-4;-2.1062E-7];

theta = -0.0043;

Aphi = 0.3917;

b = 1.2;

m1 = 3;

m2 = 3;

m3 = m1 + 2\*m2;

T = x(1);

Td = T;

$$p = 0.0107 * (m1 + m2)^2 + 0.1248 * (m1 + m2) + 0.8396;$$

$$M = 2 * m1 + 3 * m2;$$

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I = 0.5\*(m1\*z(1)^2+ m2\*z(2)^2+m3\*z(3)^2);  
y = 2\*I^0.5;  
g = 2\*((1+y)\*exp(-y))/y^2;  
dg = 2\*(1-((1+y+(0.5\*y^2))\*exp(-y))/y^2;  
beta0Na = A(1) + B(1)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(1)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
beta0Mg = A(4) + B(4)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(4)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
beta1Na = A(2) + B(2)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(2)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
beta2Mg = A(5) + B(5)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(5)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
CphiNa = A(3) + B(3)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(3)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
CphiMg = A(6) + B(6)\*(T-298.15)+ (C(6)\*(T- 298.15)^2);  
Si = A(7) ;  
BphiNa = beta0Na + (beta1Na\*exp(-y));  
BNa = beta0Na + (beta1Na\*g);  
BdNa = beta1Na\*dg/I;  
BphiMg = beta0Mg + (beta2Mg\*exp(-y));  
BMg = beta0Mg + (beta2Mg\*g);  
BdMg = beta2Mg\*dg/I;  
m1  
m2  
Z = m1\*z(1) + m2\*z(2) - m3\*z(3)  
CNa = CphiNa/2;  
CMg = CphiMg/(2^1.5);  
F = -Aphi\*((I^0.5)/(1+(b\*I^0.5)) + (2/1.2)\*log(1+(b\*(I^0.5))) + (m1\*m3\*BdNa) + (m2\*m3\*BdMg) + (m1\*m2\*theta);  
IngammaNa = F + m3\*(2\*BNa + Z\*CNa) + m2\*(2\*theta + m3\*Si) + m1\*m3\*CNa + m2\*m3\*CMg;  
IngammaMg = (z(2)^2)\*F + m3\*(2\*BMg + Z\*CMg) + m1\*(2\*theta + m3\*Si) + z(2)\*(m2\*m3\*CMg + m1\*m3\*CNa);  
IngammaCl = F + m1\*(2\*BNa + Z\*CNa) + m2\*(2\*BMg + Z\*CMg) + m1\*m2\*Si + m1\*m3\*CNa + m2\*m3\*CMg;

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phi = 1 + (2/M)*(((Aphi*(I^1.5))/(1+(b*I^0.5))) + m2*m3*(BphiMg + (Z*CMg)) + m1*m3*(BphiNa + (Z*CNa)) + m1*m2*(theta + m3*Si));  
  
gammaNa = exp(lngammaNa)  
  
gammaMg = exp(lngammaMg)  
  
gammaCl = exp(lngammaCl)  
  
aw2 = exp((-phi*M)/55.50844)  
  
KcalNa = (gammaNa*gammaCl*m1^2*aw2^2);  
  
KcNa = log(KcalNa);  
  
KNa = (-0.0003*T^2) + (0.1747*T) - 24.4908;  
  
KcalMg = (gammaMg*(gammaCl^2)*m2*(2*m2)^2*aw2^6);  
  
KcMg = log(KcalMg);  
  
KMg = (-0.0011*T^2) - (0.4766*T) + 55.4051;  
  
f(1) = Td - 273.15 + ((6004.8 - (4541.94*log(aw2)) - ((47119143.38*log(aw2)) + 36057623.04)^(1/2))/(81.947 - 16.628*log(aw2)));
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**Similar codes were used for finding out the highest boiling temperature of the solutions by using equation xxi given in the paper.**

**Code 4: For computing  $\psi_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}, ClO_4^-}$  and  $\theta_{Na^+, Mg^{2+}}$**

```
function f = theta1(x)  
  
f = zeros(2,1);  
  
z = [1,2,-1];  
  
A = [5.54E-2;2.755E-1;-1.18E-3;4.9613E-1;2.0085;9.581E-3];  
  
B = [7.8712E-4;4.4318E-3;-5.3394E-5;4.9397E-4;5.0772E-3;-3.4602E-4];  
  
C = [-3.8727E-6;-1.2331E-4;3.9507E-7;-2.7085E-6;-4.2302E-4;-2.1062E-7];  
  
theta = x(2);  
  
Aphi = 0.3917;  
  
b = 1.2;  
  
m1 = 7.87;
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m2 = 3.11;

m3 = m1 + 2\*m2;

T = 298.15;

Td = T;

M = 2\*m1 + 3\*m2;

I = 0.5\*(m1\*z(1)^2 + m2\*z(2)^2 + m3\*z(3)^2);

y = 2\*I^0.5;

g = 2\*(1 - ((1+y)\*exp(-y)))/y^2;

dg = 2\*(1 - ((1+y+(0.5\*y^2))\*exp(-y)))/y^2;

beta0Na = A(1) + B(1)\*(T-298.15) + (C(1)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

beta0Mg = A(4) + B(4)\*(T-298.15) + (C(4)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

beta1Na = A(2) + B(2)\*(T-298.15) + (C(2)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

beta2Mg = A(5) + B(5)\*(T-298.15) + (C(5)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

CphiNa = A(3) + B(3)\*(T-298.15) + (C(3)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

CphiMg = A(6) + B(6)\*(T-298.15) + (C(6)\*(T- 298.15)^2);

Si = x(1);

BphiNa = beta0Na + (beta1Na\*exp(-y));

BNa = beta0Na + (beta1Na\*g);

BdNa = beta1Na\*dg/I;

BphiMg = beta0Mg + (beta2Mg\*exp(-y));

BMg = beta0Mg + (beta2Mg\*g);

BdMg = beta2Mg\*dg/I;

Z = m1\*z(1) + m2\*z(2) - m3\*z(3)

CNa = CphiNa/2;

CMg = CphiMg/(2^1.5);

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$F = -Aphi * (((I^{0.5})/(1+(b*I^{0.5}))) + (2/1.2)*log(1+(b*(I^{0.5})))) + (m1*m3*BdNa) + (m2*m3*BdMg) + (m1*m2*theta);$

$\ln\gamma_{Na} = F + m3*(2*BNa + Z*CNa) + m2*(2*theta + m3*Si) + m1*m3*CNa + m2*m3*CMg;$

$\ln\gamma_{Mg} = (z(2)^2)*F + m3*(2*BMg + Z*CMg) + m1*(2*theta + m3*Si) + z(2)*(m2*m3*CMg + m1*m3*CNa);$

$\ln\gamma_{Cl} = F + m1*(2*BNa + Z*CNa) + m2*(2*BMg + Z*CMg) + m1*m2*Si + m1*m3*CNa + m2*m3*CMg;$

$\phi = 1 + (2/M)*(((Aphi*(I^{1.5})/(1+(b*I^{0.5}))) + m2*m3*(BphiMg + (Z*CMg)) + m1*m3*(BphiNa + (Z*CNa)) + m1*m2*(theta + m3*Si));$

$\gamma_{Na} = \exp(\ln\gamma_{Na})$

$\gamma_{Mg} = \exp(\ln\gamma_{Mg})$

$\gamma_{Cl} = \exp(\ln\gamma_{Cl})$

$aw2 = \exp((-phi*M)/55.50844)$

$y = 1E-3*m1^3 - 3.37E-2*m1^2 + 6.09E-2*m1 + 4.353;$

$KcalNa = (\gamma_{Na}*\gamma_{Cl}*m1^2*aw2);$

$KcNa = \log(KcalNa);$

$KNa = (-0.0005*Td^2) + (0.3318*Td) - 50.116;$

$KcalMg = (\gamma_{Mg}*(\gamma_{Cl}^2)*m2*(2*m2)^3*aw2^6);$

$KcMg = \log(KcalMg);$

$KMg = (-0.0009*Td^2) + (0.5881*Td) - 76.0746;$

$f(1) = KNa - KcNa$

$f(2) = KMg - KcMg$

$\theta$

$Si$

$m1$

$m2$

$end$