

## Solution

If the volume at temperature  $t_1$  is  $V_1$ , then the volume at temperature  $0^\circ\text{C}$  is  $V_{10} = V_1/(1 + \beta t_1)$ . In the same way if the volume at  $t_2$  temperature is  $V_2$ , at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  we have  $V_{20} = V_2/(1 + \beta t_2)$ . Furthermore if the density of the liquid at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  is  $d$ , then the masses are  $m_1 = V_{10}d$  and  $m_2 = V_{20}d$ , respectively. After mixing the liquids the temperature is

$$t = \frac{m_1 t_1 + m_2 t_2}{m_1 + m_2}.$$

The volumes at this temperature are  $V_{10}(1 + \beta t)$  and  $V_{20}(1 + \beta t)$ .

The sum of the volumes after mixing:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{10}(1 + \beta t) + V_{20}(1 + \beta t) &= V_{10} + V_{20} + \beta(V_{10} + V_{20})t = \\ &= V_{10} + V_{20} + \beta \cdot \frac{m_1 + m_2}{d} \cdot \frac{m_1 t_1 + m_2 t_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \\ &= V_{10} + V_{20} + \beta \left( \frac{m_1 t_1}{d} + \frac{m_2 t_2}{d} \right) = V_{10} + \beta V_{10} t_1 + V_{20} + \beta V_{20} t_2 = \\ &= V_{10}(1 + \beta t_1) + V_{20}(1 + \beta t_2) = V_1 + V_2 \end{aligned}$$

The sum of the volumes is constant. In our case it is  $410 \text{ cm}^3$ . The result is valid for any number of quantities of toluene, as the mixing can be done successively adding always one more glass of liquid to the mixture.