

Kinetic Studies of Group VI Metastable
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Abstract

Kinetic processes involving the low-lying metastable electronically excited states of the group VI atoms, oxygen and sulphur, and diatomics, O_2 , S_2 and SO have been investigated.

Singlet molecular oxygen, $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ was generated by the reaction of hydrogen peroxide with sodium hypochlorite and its subsequent decay monitored by the 'dimol' emission at $\lambda = 633$ nm. A simple experimental arrangement is described for determining the rate constants for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ and H_2O . It was shown that conditions were readily obtainable under which the decay of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in the bubbles was controlled by quenching in the gas phase, and where gas-surface interactions were negligible.

Singlet sulphur monoxide, $SO(^1\Delta)$ was produced by the reaction of $O(^2^1D_2)$ atoms with OCS . The initially rapid removal of ozone in this system was accounted for by the reaction of $SO(^1\Delta)$ with O_3 . Rate constants for the reactions of both $SO(^1\Delta)$ and $SO(^3\Sigma^-)$ with O_3 were obtained by computer modelling.

Photolysis of OCS ($\lambda > 200$ nm) yields $S(^3^1D_2)$ atoms, which react on almost every collision with carbonyl sulphide to produce singlet molecular sulphur, $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$. Both $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ were observed in absorption using kinetic spectroscopy. A rate constant for quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by OCS was obtained from the formation kinetics of ground state sulphur, $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$. This process is discussed qualitatively in terms of electronic to vibrational energy transfer.

Photolysis of O_3 ($\lambda_{u.v.} < 310$ nm) was employed as a source of $O(^2^1D_2)$ atoms. The primary and secondary reactions which follow ozone photolysis were investigated. Ozone was monitored by kinetic absorption spectrophotometry at $\lambda = 253.7$ nm. Computer modelling studies were carried out and these provided

a better understanding of the processes involved, and in particular, with regard to the reaction of $O(2^1D_2)$ atoms with ozone.

The reactions of $O(2^1D_2)$ atoms with several chlorofluoromethanes in the presence of ozone were studied. Schemes are presented to account for the observed removal of ozone obtained for CF_3Cl and CF_2Cl_2 .

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.01 Introduction

Absorption of electromagnetic radiation by atoms and molecules in the visible and ultraviolet regions of the spectrum leads to electronic excitation of the absorbing species. The fate of such excited states is often very different from that of the ground state. In recent years the development of sophisticated experimental techniques has led to an increased interest in the chemical behaviour of electronically excited states of atoms and molecules.

In this work the properties of electronically excited atoms and molecules belonging to Group VI have been investigated, particularly those of oxygen and sulphur. The secondary reactions following ozone photolysis in the presence of chloro-fluoromethanes have also been studied.

Since the reactions of atomic sulphur and oxygen have been extensively reviewed,^{1,2,3} this introduction is primarily concerned with the physical and chemical properties of the low lying electronic states of Group VI diatomic molecules. First, the various techniques commonly employed to study excited molecules are described. A general outline of the main characteristics of Group VI electronic states is then given, followed by a more detailed background discussion of those species which are particularly relevant to the present study.

1.02 Experimental Techniques

Flash Photolysis, developed originally by Norrish and Porter (1949),⁴ has largely been responsible for the growth of interest in photochemical phenomena over the past thirty years.

It is still amongst the most powerful and versatile techniques available for the direct study of transient species. Two basic versions of this technique have been developed - kinetic spectroscopy and kinetic spectrophotometry - and both are described in detail in Chapter 2.

The advent of lasers has brought the time resolution of flash photolysis into the picosecond region,⁵ as well as providing a highly specific means of exciting a molecule to a selected state or causing photodissociation to give particular products.

Chemical lasers have proved to be useful tools for probing particular chemical systems, although kinetic data can be derived directly by observing the operation of the laser under varying conditions.⁶ The a priori requirement of the laser, the formation of a population inversion, means that information can only be obtained from a small number of systems. Low pressure 'discharge flow' systems provide another successful means of studying the reactions of metastable species. Electronically excited atoms and molecules are generated by passing the gas stream through an electric discharge before entering the reaction tube. The tube is typically operated at pressures in the range 13 Nm^{-2} to 1.3 kNm^{-2} with a flow speed of 10 ms^{-1} .⁷ Electrodeless discharges are preferred as no electrode material is in contact with the discharge products. Microwave discharges are more stable than radiowave and can be used over a wider range of pressures.

Within a few centimeters of the discharge all short-lived excited states have disappeared and only ground state or metastable atomic and molecular species are left in the carrier gas.

Reactants can be added downstream from the discharge and the progress of the reaction followed by a wide range of analytical techniques. A linear time scale is provided by the distance between the mixing and analysis zones when the flow rate is known. The effects of wall recombination processes, diffusion and turbulence must be considered in the analysis of the experimental results.

Techniques used to study reactions of metastable species in flow systems include mass spectrometry,⁸ E.P.R. spectroscopy,⁹ absorption spectroscopy,¹⁰ infrared¹¹ and visible¹² chemiluminescence and also photoelectron spectroscopy.¹³

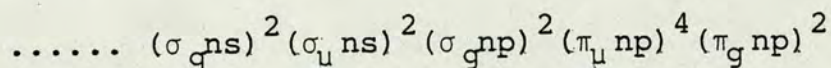
Modulation techniques have also been used to study the kinetics of excited states. The radiative lifetime of an excited state may be determined using a modulated light source to excite the ground state species, and measuring the phase shift between the fundamental components of the exciting light and the resulting modulated fluorescence. By varying the experimental conditions, rate constants can be determined from measurements of the lifetime and fluorescence intensity.¹⁴

Molecular modulation spectroscopy was originally developed by Johnston et al.¹⁵ The photolysis light is modulated at a known frequency (~ 32 Hz) and the light transmission through the cell at any given wavelength is monitored by phase sensitive detection. Spectra of transient free radicals have been observed in both the infrared and ultraviolet regions for species such as ClO, ClOO,¹⁶ CH₃ and HO₂.¹⁷ Modified versions of the technique have been described by Phillips et al.¹⁸ to determine rate constants for reactions of excited Hg and Xe atoms, and by Parkes¹⁷ to study the

ultraviolet spectra and kinetics of alkyl radicals. Reaction rates are measured by varying the modulation frequency, when it is also possible to pick out transients with different lifetimes when more than one is present. It would seem that phase-shift methods have considerable unrealised potential in the determination of lifetimes, spectra and reaction rates of transient and meta-stable molecules.

1.03 General Characteristics of Group VI Diatomics

The ground state electronic configuration of Group VI homonuclear diatomics correlates with the combination of two ground state 3P atoms:-



Thus the highest occupied orbitals are a doubly degenerate antibonding pair, holding only two electrons. For the free diatomic molecule, when orbital angular momentum about the bond is quantised, these two orbitals are denoted as π_+ and π_- , the sign denoting $\pm \hbar$ units of angular momentum.

Three low lying electronic states arise from this configuration, these being $^3\Sigma_g^-$, $^1\Delta_g$ and $^1\Sigma_g^+$. According to Hund's rule, $^3\Sigma_g^-$ is the state of lowest energy since it has the highest spin multiplicity. The $^1\Delta_g$ state is doubly degenerate and has a component of angular momentum $\pm 2\hbar$ about the molecular axis. The $^1\Sigma_g^+$ state lies highest in energy and is diamagnetic, the net angular momentum of the two electrons being zero.

The $^1\Delta_g$ and $^1\Sigma_g^+$ states are metastable, since electric dipole transitions to the ground triplet state are strongly forbidden ($\Delta S \neq 0$) in the absence of some spin-dependent

perturbation. Nuclear exchange symmetry means that the $1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow 1\Delta_g$ transition is also forbidden. Magnetic dipole transitions to the ground state are possible for the $1\Delta_g$ and $1\Sigma_g^+$ states, although these are rather weak. They have been observed in absorption and emission for oxygen,⁷ being known as the "infra-red atmospheric" and "atmospheric" bands respectively. Under normal laboratory conditions, collisional rather than radiative processes are responsible for the removal of these metastable species. However, the efficiency of the radiative processes should increase substantially for the heavier diatomics of the group as Russell-Saunders coupling becomes less important, spin-orbit coupling becoming more so. Table 1 lists known or estimated energies and probabilities for some of these transitions.

Spin-orbit coupling studies for oxygen^{19,20} show that the $1\Sigma_g^+$ and $3\Sigma_g^-$ states are coupled by a matrix element of $\sim 140 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ whereas this does not occur in the case of the $1\Delta_g$ and $3\Sigma_g^-$ states. This implies that the radiative lifetime of the $1\Sigma_g^+$ state should be significantly shorter than that of the $1\Delta_g$ state. This is well known for oxygen and should be true for the heavier members of the group where spin orbit coupling is stronger.

In the case of heteronuclear diatomics, nuclear exchange symmetry is absent, so that this too should contribute towards shorter radiative lifetimes being observed for the metastable states of these molecules, as opposed to those for homonuclear diatomics.

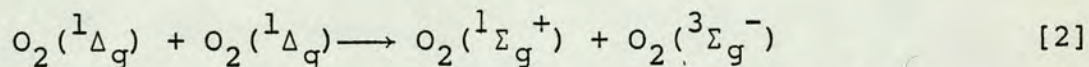
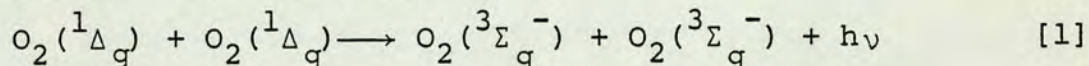
Table 1: The known or estimated term values for the low lying singlet states of Group VI diatomic molecules, where these are available, and ground state transition probabilities.

Diatomic	State	Te/cm ⁻¹	Transition probability(A)/s ⁻¹	Ref.
O ₂	a ¹ Δ _g	7882.39	3.7 x 10 ⁻⁴	22
	b ¹ Σ _g ⁺	13120.91	1.4 x 10 ⁻¹	22
S ₂	a ¹ Δ _g	~4700	-	69
	b ¹ Σ _g ⁺	9090	-	66
SO	a ¹ Δ	6150	-	167
	b ¹ Σ _g ⁺	10509.97	-	77

1.04 Singlet Molecular Oxygen

The low lying singlet states of molecular oxygen are amongst the most extensively studied of all metastable molecules. Excellent reviews of the production, reactions and quenching of $O_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ and $O_2(b^1\Sigma_g^+)$ have appeared,^{7,21} and only more recent work will be discussed here. The role of these species in atmospheric chemistry will be considered in Chapter 4.

The $^1\Sigma_g^+$ and $^1\Delta_g$ states of oxygen have been observed in emission and lie at $13,121\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and 7882 cm^{-1} respectively above the ground state.²² Energy pooling processes, which occur on the collision of pairs of excited oxygen molecules, can result in the simultaneous loss of energy from both molecules [1], known as "dimol" emission, or may lead to the formation of $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ by an "annihilation" reaction [2].²³



The weak orange-red emission accompanying a number of reactions,^{24,25,26} where $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is generated in solution, is due to such simultaneous transitions. Although the probability for these 'dimol' processes is low, the emission provides a suitable means of measuring $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ concentrations, since the sensitivity of detectors capable of detecting the $^1\Delta_g \rightarrow ^3\Sigma_g^-$ transition at 1.27μ tends to be poor.^{27,28}

Potassium permanganate undergoes aqueous decomposition with formation of up to 6% of oxygen in the singlet delta state,²⁹ which was monitored by the emission at 1.27μ . Chemiluminescence is also readily observed when a basic potassium chromate solution reacts with peroxide at room temperature²⁹. The 1.27μ emission has been detected following irradiation of porphyrins and is strongly quenched on the addition of metalloporphyrins.³⁰

Evidence for singlet oxygen involvement in many solution phase reactions has come from product analysis. The intermediacy of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in such oxidation processes is often not the sole possible explanation³¹ and participation in a number of enzyme systems now seems unlikely.³² It has been shown that singlet oxygen is not formed in the decomposition of H_2O_2 in the presence of catalase or horseradish peroxidase,³³ but it may be produced in the base catalysed disproportionation of H_2O_2 .³⁴ The role of 1O_2 in organic peroxide systems has been reviewed.³⁵

Recently, spectroscopic evidence for the generation of singlet oxygen in NADPH-dependent microsomal lipid peroxidation systems has been produced.^{36,37} The light emitted by the system is characteristic of the dimol emission spectrum of singlet oxygen and is quenched in the presence of various radical trappers.

The lifetime of singlet oxygen in solution has been measured by Kearns and the nature of the solvent was found to have a marked effect.³⁸ Values ranged from $2\mu s$ in H_2O to $700\mu s$ in CCl_4 . A striking parallel between the $^1\Delta_g$ lifetime and the intensity of the solvent absorption near the (0,0) and (0,1) bands of the $^1\Delta_g \rightarrow ^3\Sigma_g^-$ transition was apparent. To account for this, a simple theory, with no adjustable parameters, was developed³⁹ in terms of intermolecular electronic to vibrational energy transfer, and gave better than order of magnitude agreement with experimental results. Solution phase rate constants could be used to compute gas phase values. Direct spectroscopic evidence of a deuterium solvent effect on the lifetime of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ has been accounted for in terms of this theory.²⁷ Kearns found the lifetime of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in D_2O to be $20\mu s$

compared with $2\mu\text{s}$ in H_2O , although the former has recently been determined and to be nearer $30\mu\text{s}$ ^{40,41}. More recently the effect of temperature on the lifetime of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ has been investigated.⁴²

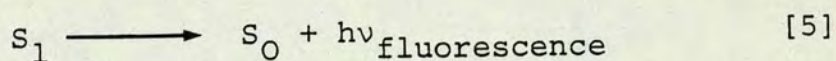
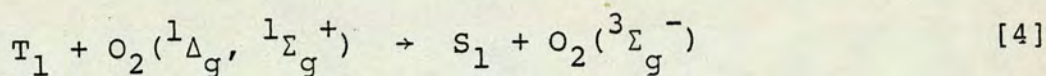
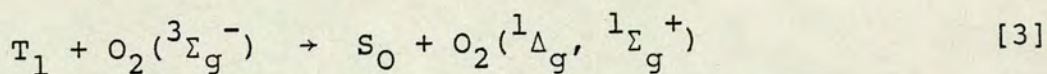
Gas phase quenching rate constants for singlet oxygen have been reviewed.^{43,44} Kear and Abrahamson⁴³ noted a relationship between the highest fundamental vibrational frequency of the quenching molecule and its quenching efficiency for $\text{O}_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$. Davidson and Ogryzlo⁴⁴ also noted this correlation and suggested that rate constants could be calculated from the overlap of the absorption spectrum of the quencher with the emission spectrum of the $\text{O}_2(^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow ^1\Delta_g)$ progression. The use of extinction coefficients for the quenching molecule and calculated Franck-Condon factors for the $(^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow ^1\Delta_g)$ transition, rather than exact overlap integrals, limited the success of the theory.

More recently Ogryzlo et al.⁴⁵ have calculated values of k_q based on the assumption that relaxation results from long range interactions between the transition quadrupole of $\text{O}_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ and the transition quadrupole and dipole of the quencher. The contribution of short range repulsive forces to k_q have been calculated by Kear and Abrahamson⁴⁶ using a distorted wave approach. Together, the long and short range interactions provide reasonable agreement between observed and calculated values. Statistical theory⁴⁷ has also been used to account for quenching of both $\text{O}_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ and $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$, including the case where rotational and translational energy contribute to the excitation of the products.

Fewer small quenchers have been studied in the case of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and analysis of the available data is therefore less satisfactory, though not inconsistent with a similar $E \rightarrow V$ transfer mechanism. Indeed, infrared emission from a number of species⁴⁸ including NO ⁴⁹, CO_2 ⁵⁰ and HF ⁵¹ has been observed following deactivation of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$. This confirms energy transfer into the internal modes of the quencher, although Thrush^{49,50} has found that near resonance is not generally important in the quenching of singlet molecular oxygen.

The energy gap for the $^1\Delta_g \rightarrow ^3\Sigma_g^-$ transition is 0.3371 eV greater than that for $^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow ^1\Delta_g$, so fewer quenching molecules have significant absorptions in this region. Furthermore, the quenching process is spin forbidden. Both these factors account for a decrease in the relaxation probability for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by five orders of magnitude over $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$. Higher values of k_q are observed for non-zero spin species such as NO_2 , NO and O_2 , when the quenching process becomes spin allowed. A charge transfer mechanism has been invoked to account for the efficiency of species such as sulphides and amines.⁵² Little information on the temperature dependence of k_q is available for simple molecules, although Arrhenius parameters have been reported for gas phase cycloaddition reactions⁵³ and for reactions of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ with a number of olefins⁵⁴.

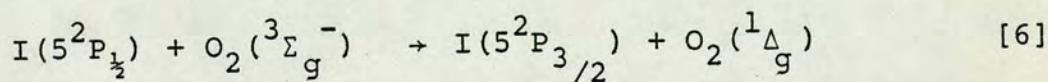
Kenner and Khan⁵⁵ have reported the molecular oxygen induced fluorescence of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in polymer matrices. Admission of air to a phosphorescing sample gives rise to a burst of light with the same emission spectrum as normal fluorescence of the organic molecule.



The singlet oxygen molecule generated in the quenching of the organic triplet, ⁵⁶ T₁, can by energy transfer excite a second organic triplet molecule to the singlet excited state, S₁, so enhancing fluorescence by a "singlet oxygen feedback mechanism"^{57,58}.

Irradiation of a mixture of NO₂ and O₂ (λ = 300-590 nm) produces O₂(¹Δ_g)⁵⁹ by energy transfer from electronically excited NO₂ to O₂. In the urban environment, high NO₂ concentrations may produce enough O₂(¹Δ_g) to make a significant contribution to photochemical smog formation.^{60,61}

The collisional deactivation of I(5²P_{1/2}) by oxygen has been investigated.^{62,63} It has been suggested that



the reverse process [6] might be used to pump an iodine atom laser,⁶⁴ though obtaining a continuous source of O₂(¹Δ_g) would appear to be a major difficulty.

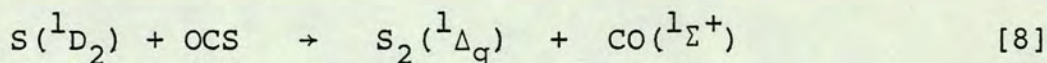
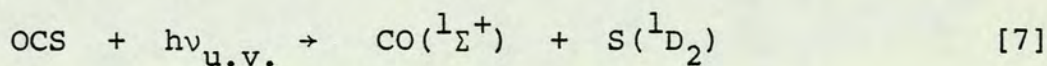
Energy transfer from O₂(¹Σ_g⁺, ¹Δ_g) to other diatomic molecules, resulting in emission, has been observed for a number of halogens and interhalogens, where excitation of the B-X system occurs e.g. I₂, Br₂, IF and BrF.⁶⁵

1.05 Singlet Molecular Sulphur

When compared with oxygen, relatively little is known about the low lying metastable states of sulphur. A report of an S₂ laser based on the $^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow ^3\Sigma_g^-$ transition at 1.1 μ m has been made,⁶⁶ but no other direct observation of emission from the $^1\Sigma_g^+$ or $^1\Delta_g$ states has been reported. Thus only estimates can be made of the energies at which these states lie above the triplet ground state.

Emission to the $^1\Delta_g$ state has been observed under high resolution, via the $f^1\Delta_u \rightarrow a^1\Delta_g$ transition, by Barrow and Duparcq.^{67,68} Some 28 bands have been assigned to this system by Colin.⁶⁹ By comparison with oxygen and parallel extrapolation of the vibrational levels of the $^1\Delta_g$ and $^3\Sigma_g^-$ states, the $^1\Delta_g$ state has been estimated to lie $\sim 4,700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ⁶⁹ above the ground state, although there may be an error of $\sim 800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ in this value.

The $f^1\Delta_u \rightarrow a^1\Delta_g$ system has also been observed in absorption following the photolysis of a number of small sulphur containing molecules^{70,71,72} including H₂S, H₂S₂, OCS, CS₂, S₂Cl₂, SPF₃ and SCl₂. Although OCS is a weak absorber in the ultraviolet, it is the cleanest source of S($^3^1D_2$) atoms.



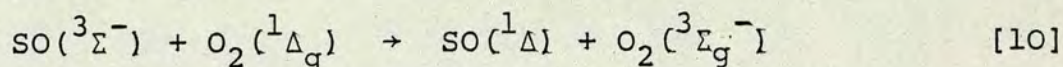
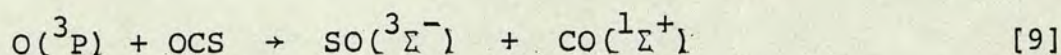
S₂($^1\Delta_g$) is formed by the subsequent fast reaction of S(1D_2) with OCS which occurs with almost every collision. The spectrum is short lived and its intensity closely follows the output of the flash lamp.⁷² However, there is little

kinetic or mechanistic information available on the removal of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$. Since the radiative lifetime of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is likely to be comparable with that of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, it is to be expected that collisional deactivation to the ground state is the most important removal process. The importance of energy pooling processes, which are comparable with the 'dimol' reactions in oxygen, is not known, although catenation is an important feature of ground state sulphur chemistry.⁷³ One disadvantage of studying reactions of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in this system is that molecules which might be expected to quench $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ efficiently are also efficient quenchers of $S(^1D_2)$, so that the yield of the former species is reduced.

1.06 Singlet Sulphur Monoxide

Although $SO(^1\Delta)$ has not been observed either in absorption or emission,^{*} it has been detected by electron paramagnetic resonance when the products of a microwave discharge in oxygen are mixed with small sulphur containing molecules such as OCS and H_2S .^{74,75,76} The optical spectrum of the bright blue fluorescence which results from this reaction has been reported⁷⁷ and $SO(^1\Sigma)$ has been observed in emission to the ground state⁷⁷ at 950 nm. $O(^3P)$ atoms produced by the discharge react with H_2S or OCS to produce $SO(^3\Sigma)$ [9]. Carrington et al.⁷⁵ have proposed that direct excitation of $SO(^3\Sigma^-)$ by $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ occurs by a simple spin allowed energy transfer mechanism [10] to produce $SO(^1\Delta)$ and ground state oxygen.

*Emission from $SO(^1\Delta)$ has recently been reported¹⁶⁷, see Chapter 6.



The rate of this reaction is unusually high when compared with most quenching reactions involving $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ suggesting that the process is near resonant. ($k_{10} = 3.65 \pm .36 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$). The rate constant for reaction [10] was determined by EPR, this technique having the advantage that all four species involved could be detected. Clark and De Lucia⁷⁶ have used this reaction to study the microwave spectrum of $\text{SO}(^1\Delta)$.

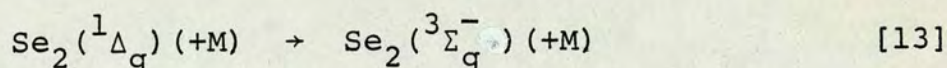
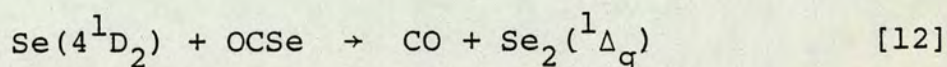
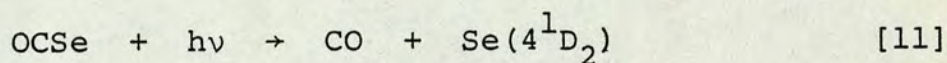
The reaction of metastable oxygen atoms with OCS has been studied,⁷⁸ with particular reference to the CO product vibrational energy distribution. Although the product state of SO is not known, orbital correlation rules predict that SO should be formed in either the $^1\Delta$ or $^1\Sigma$ states.

In flow systems, the removal of $\text{SO}(^1\Delta)$ is rapid⁷⁴ and occurs mainly by deactivation at the walls of the reaction vessel. The efficiency of this process is some four orders of magnitude faster than that for $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

The radiative lifetime of $\text{SO}(^1\Delta)$ is likely to be very different from that of the homonuclear species already discussed. In O_2 , the electric dipole transition between the $^1\Delta_g$ and $^3\Sigma_g^-$ states is forbidden on grounds of spin conservation and nuclear exchange symmetry. The transition is therefore via a magnetic dipole mechanism. In SO, nuclear exchange symmetry is absent, so assuming that some mixing of the π_+^* and π_-^* states occurs, electric dipole transitions will be partially allowed and may even be enhanced by the heavier sulphur atom. Thus the radiative lifetime of $\text{SO}(^1\Delta)$ may be several orders of magnitude shorter than that of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

1.07 Singlet Molecular Selenium and Tellurium

Direct observation of $\text{Se}_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ in absorption has not been achieved, although its formation has been postulated. The first excited singlet state of atomic selenium has been observed,⁷⁹ using time resolved atomic absorption spectroscopy. The reaction of this species with OCSe is expected to yield Se_2 in the $^1\Delta_g$ or $^1\Sigma_g^+$ states. Indirect evidence for this comes from observations of the rate of formation of ground state Se_2 on photolysis of OCSe.¹



A mechanism similar to that for OCS photolysis suggests that reaction [13] is very fast. It is uncertain whether $\text{Se}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is removed by radiative or collisional processes. If $\text{Se}(4^1D_2)$ is partially quenched in the presence of CO_2 , then a secondary growth of $\text{Se}_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ is observed, with a second maximum occurring at ca. 50 μ s which is consistent with the formation of Se_2 by atomic recombination.

No information is available regarding the low lying electronic states of molecular tellurium. Although singlet atomic tellurium (5^1D_2) has been observed by resonance absorption on photolysis of D_2Te ,⁸⁰ no analogous reactions to those of $\text{S}(^1D_2)$ and $\text{Se}(^1D_2)$ are known.

Chapter 2

Experimental Methods

2.01 Introduction

In the study of the kinetics of electronically excited states, several important features are required of the experimental techniques employed. Firstly, the excited species must be generated on a time scale which is short when compared with that for the removal processes. Temperature jump, discharge flow and shock tube techniques are amongst the methods which have been used to produce non equilibrium concentrations of excited species. One of the most successful has been flash photolysis, which makes use of a short, but intense pulse of light. Electronically excited molecules are formed by photodissociation of some parent molecule, by direct excitation, or by a secondary process.

Secondly, the reliability and accuracy of kinetic data derived by any experimental method depends mainly on the signal to noise ratio. The development of large aperture spectrographs and monochromators, sensitive photoelectric detectors and modern data handling facilities - such as fast analogue to digital convertors and signal averaging - has led to remarkable improvements in the signal to noise ratio. However, careful experimental design remains crucial to the success of any method.

Three techniques were employed in this work to study the reactions of electronically excited molecules.

Chemiluminescence:-

The 'dimol' emission at 633 nm, associated with energy pooling processes involving singlet oxygen, provides an ideal means of monitoring this species. Luminescence, arising from the reaction of hydrogen peroxide and sodium hypochlorite, is

readily visible by eye in a darkened room and offers a novel means of studying singlet oxygen kinetics.

Flash Photolysis with Kinetic Spectroscopy:-

A spectroflash of short duration, providing a 'white-light' continuum from 200 nm to the near infrared, is fired at a preset delay (10 μ s-1s) after the initial photolysis flash. The absorption spectra of the transient intermediates are recorded photographically by a spectrograph, so that a kinetic profile of the reaction is built up over a series of exposures. One advantage of this technique is that transient spectra can be observed within the duration of the primary photolysis flash, and it is particularly useful in preliminary work on a reaction system where the spectra of the transients is either uncertain or unknown.

Flash Photolysis with Kinetic Spectrophotometry:-

A monochromatic light source is focused through the reaction vessel and the attenuation of the incident radiation monitored at a particular wavelength using a photoelectric detector, typically a photomultiplier, and a fast recorder, such as a transient recorder or storage oscilloscope. Species which are only present during the photolysis flash cannot be detected by this method because scattered light from the flash causes interference. However simplicity and accuracy are amongst the advantages of using kinetic spectrophotometry, once the intermediates are known, since a complete concentration time profile can be obtained in a single experiment.

2.02 Chemiluminescence

Many chemiluminescent reactions have been studied in the gas phase using flow systems,⁷ where an electric discharge can provide relatively high concentrations of metastable atoms and molecules.

This section describes a novel, yet simple experimental arrangement for determining rate constants for quenching of $O_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ by ground state O_2 and water. Singlet oxygen was formed in solution by the reaction of hydrogen peroxide (100 vol) with sodium hypochlorite and monitored by the 'dimol' luminescence at 633 nm. The intensity of this luminescence has been shown to vary as the square of the $O_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ concentration.⁸¹

The apparatus (Figure 1) consisted of a three necked flask (250 ml) a burette being mounted on the centre neck. Depending on the experimental requirements, one side arm served as an outlet to a water suction pump and a mercury monometer, or as a gas inlet, while the other served as a gas outlet to a Dreschel Flask.

A photomultiplier, type EMI 9664B, with an enhanced red response was placed directly under the flask. The photomultiplier dynode chain was of standard 9 stage high gain design (Figure 2a), the output being fed into a current to voltage converter and amplified to obtain a suitably large trigger pulse for a signal averager (Datalab DL 4000). Information was stored in a random access integrated circuit memory of 1024 x 20 bit words, with a minimum time resolution of 10 μ s per sample, signal averaging being carried out by algebraic summation, with a maximum resolution of 12 bits. Data held

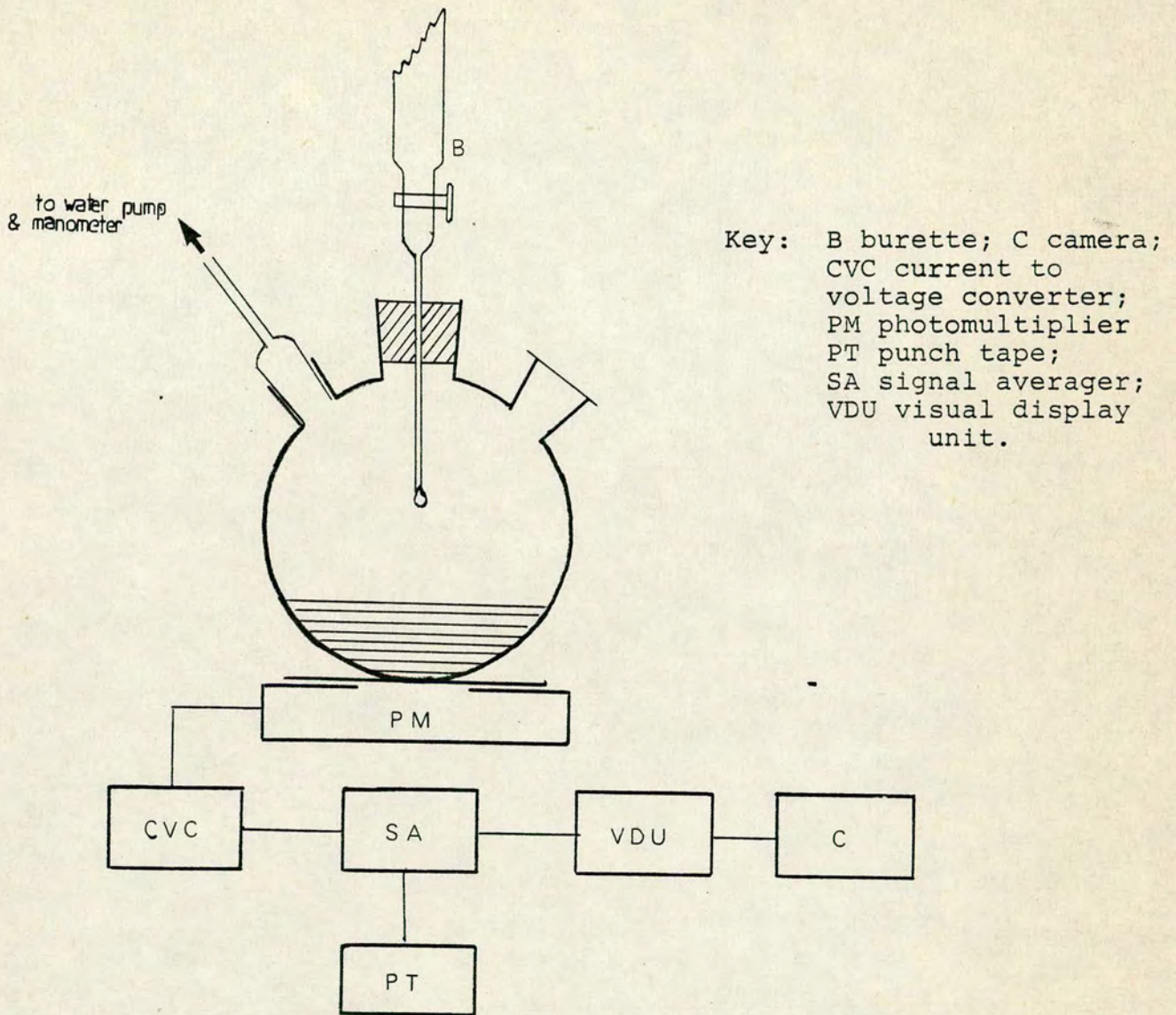
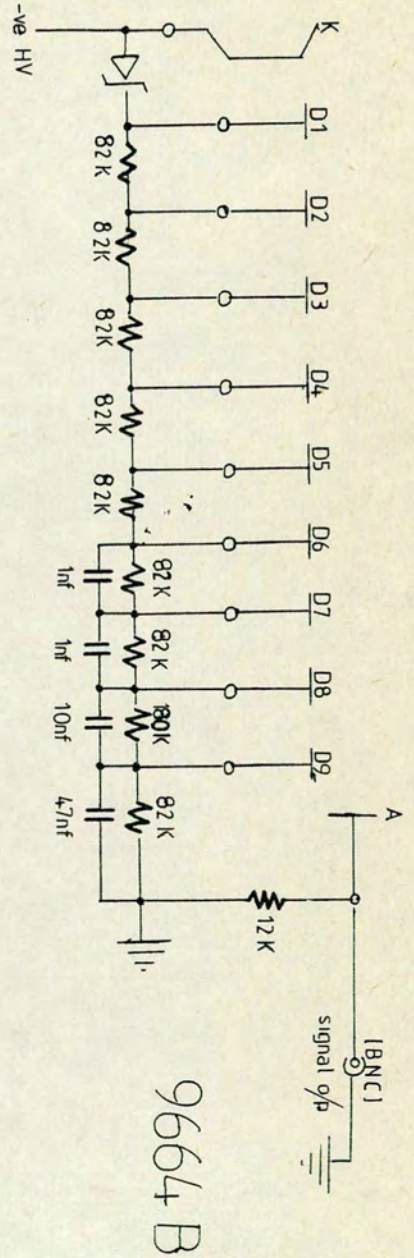
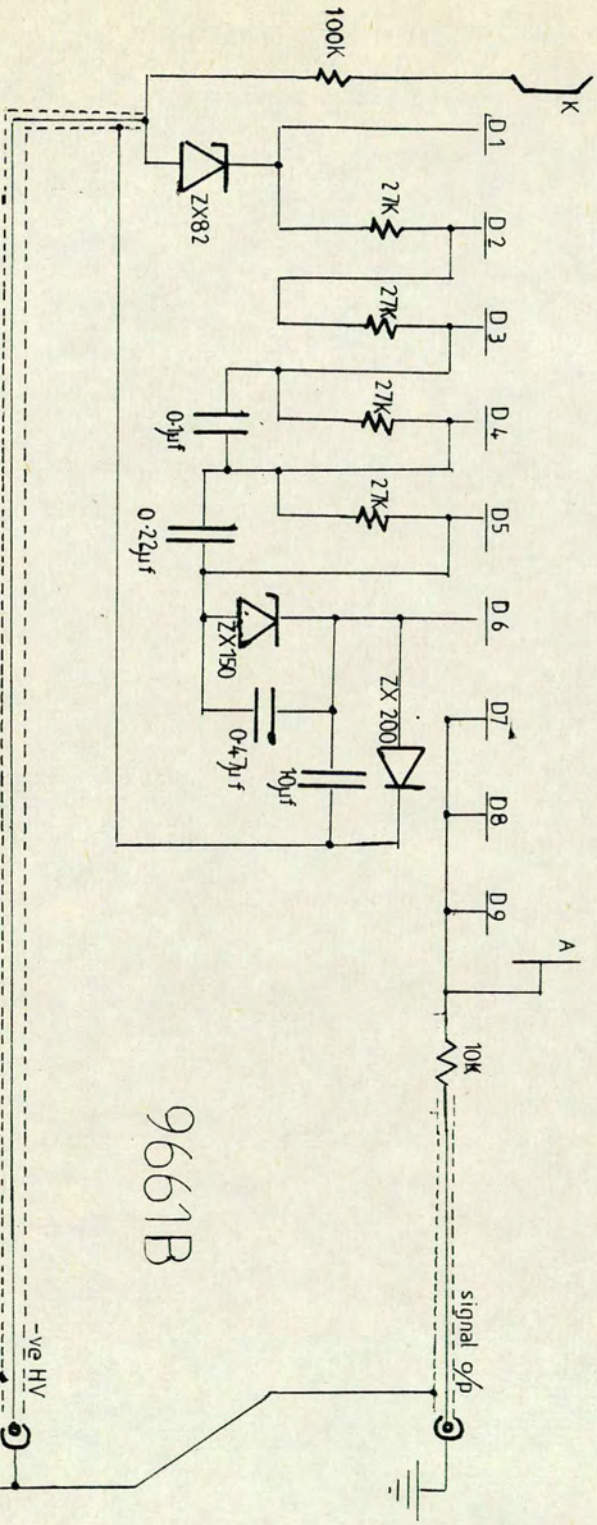


Figure 1: Experimental arrangement for the detection of emission arising from the $\text{NaOCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ reaction.



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9661B

Figure 2: Photomultiplier dynode chain designs. a) Standard (EMI 9664B). b) Low gain (EMI 9661B).

in the memory was displayed on an oscilloscope (Telequipment DM64) and could be punched out on computer tape (Data Dynamics 1133) using ASC 11 code. A programme containing a weighted least squares fit and a graph plotting subroutine was written to process the experimental data (see Appendix 3).

In a typical experiment 30 cm³ of 100 volume H₂O₂ (Fison's SLR) were placed in the three necked flask, and sodium hypochlorite (Fison's technical grade) added dropwise from the burette. By varying the bore of the burette tip, different drop sizes could be obtained. Smaller volumes were added using a microsyringe.

The triggering level of the signal averager was adjusted so that a new recording cycle was initiated with each drop of NaOCl, the number of cycles being preset before each experiment. All possible sources of stray light were eliminated. By inserting various glass filters between the flask and the photomultiplier, different bands of the [O₂(a¹Δ_g)]² emission could be detected and this was achieved for the (0,1), (0,0) and (1,0) bands. The flask could also be placed in a heating mantle or ice-bath, so that decay of luminescence was studied over a range of temperatures (273^oK-353^oK) and pressures (20-100 kN m⁻²).

2.03 High Speed Film Techniques

In order to study the nucleation and growth of oxygen bubbles formed during the H₂O₂/NaOCl reaction, two high speed films of the reaction were made. Although both vertical and horizontal views of the reaction were recorded, only the method for the former will be described in detail (Figure 3).

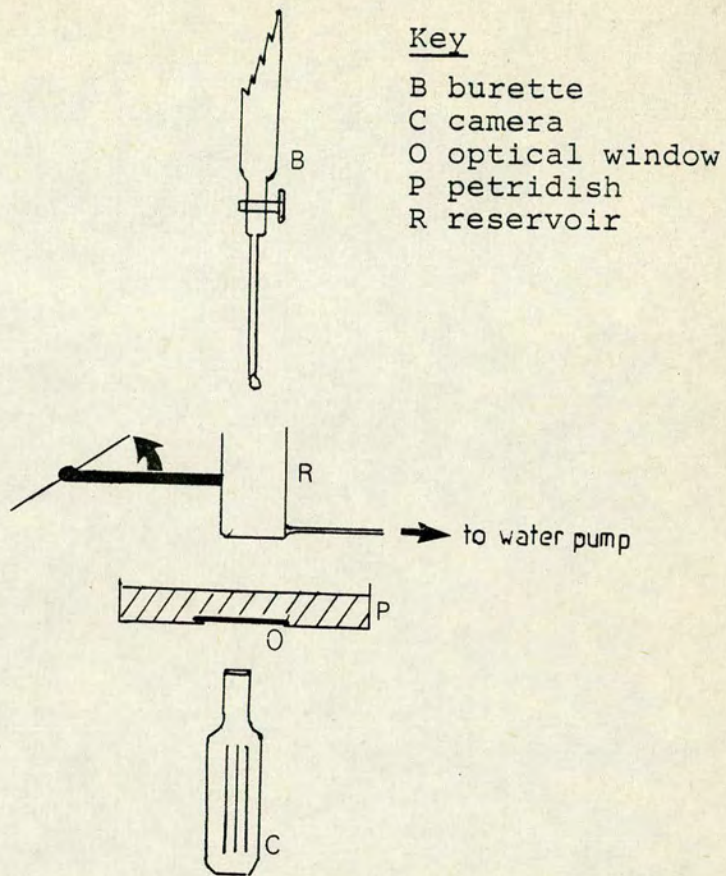


Figure 3: Arrangement for high speed filming of bubble growth in the $\text{NaOCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ reaction.

A glass window of high optical quality was mounted on the base of a petri dish (diameter 10 cm) which contained 100 volume hydrogen peroxide solution. NaOCl was allowed to fall dropwise from the burette into a small reservoir, which was connected to a water suction pump. The tip of the burette was positioned directly over the centre of the dish. A high speed camera, containing a 2 mm graticule lens, was mounted vertically below the centre of the window and focused on the brightly illuminated air-liquid interface of the peroxide solution.

On activating a solenoid the reservoir mounting was displaced temporarily, allowing a single drop of NaOCl (0.08 g) to fall into the peroxide solution, while at the same time starting the high speed camera. Thirty metre lengths of gauge 16 film were run at a speed of 8000 frames per second. A mechanism was incorporated in the camera which marked the film at intervals of one millisecond. After developing, prints of selected frames were obtained using a film analyser with an automatic processing unit and a print of the complete film negative was also made.

A similar experimental arrangement was employed in obtaining a horizontal view of the reaction. Prints showing both horizontal and vertical shots of the reaction, at various stages in its development, are included in Chapter 3.

2.04 Flash Photolysis with Kinetic Spectroscopy

Flash photolysis with kinetic spectroscopy was used to study the physical and reactive quenching of species such as $S_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ and $SO(a^1\Delta)$, following the photolysis of carbonyl sulphide. Since the transient spectra of these species are either unknown or expected to be short lived - their concentration profiles following that of the flash intensity - kinetic spectroscopy would seem to be the method best suited to their study. Since this technique has been described in detail elsewhere,⁸² only a brief description is merited here. A diagram of the apparatus is shown in Figure 4.

A one metre system comprising a quartz reaction vessel (i.d. 20 mm) with spectroil windows and a parallel quartz flash lamp (i.d. 10 mm) was used. Mounted directly behind the reaction vessel was the spectroflash lamp. This was a conventional quartz capillary lamp with the discharge between the tungsten electrodes being mechanically pinched by a narrow quartz capillary (i.d. 2 mm), giving an intense continuum in the ultraviolet. Both flash lamps were thoroughly outgassed before filling with $\sim 900 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$ of krypton. New lamps required to be filled a number of times before a single filling would last for several hundred discharges.

The photolysis lamp was normally discharged at 8 kV from a 10 μ f capacitor, while the spectroflash lamp was fired at 10 kV from a 1 μ f capacitor, resulting in flash energies of 320J and 50J respectively. A delay unit incorporating an ignitron, built in the departmental workshop, was used to control the time interval between the photolysis and spectroflashes (Figure 5). The photolysis lamp was discharged by means of a low inductance mechanical plunger, and a signal from a photocell in close proximity to the lamp was amplified and

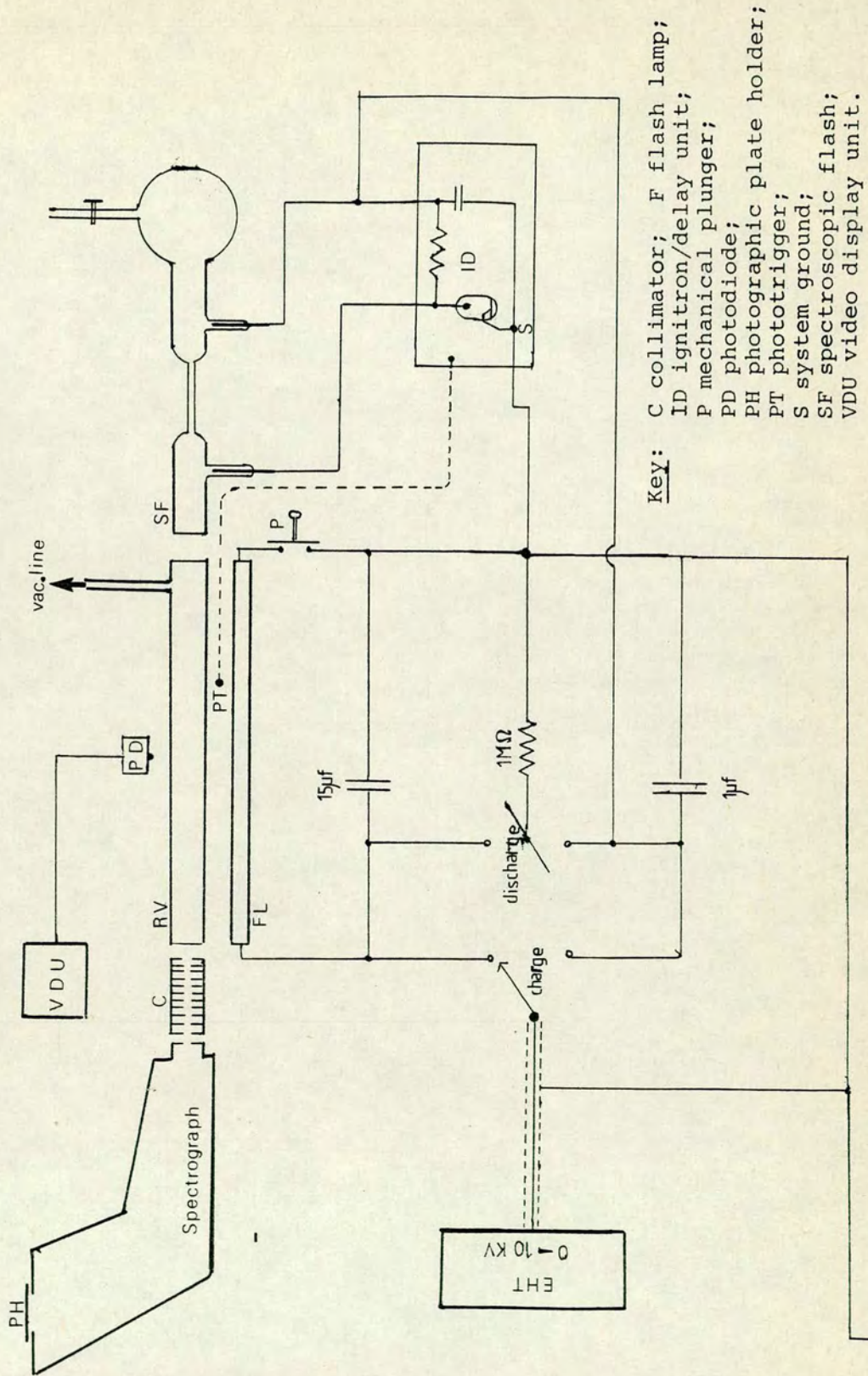


Figure 4: Experimental arrangement for studies using flash photolysis with kinetic spectroscopy

delayed for a preset time ($1\mu\text{s}$ - 1s) before a 100 V spike was passed to the grid of an ignitron, allowing the latter to conduct and discharge the spectroflash lamp. The delay was checked using a photodiode connected to a storage oscilloscope (Tektronix Type 549).

Aluminium foil wrapped around the reaction vessel and flash lamp acted as a reflector and a series of collimators between the reaction vessel and spectrograph helped to minimise the amount of scattered light falling on the entrance slits. The Hilger and Watts medium quartz spectrograph (Type E486) was used with slits set at a width of $60\mu\text{m}$ and a height of 3 mm. Alignment of the spectroflash lamp with the spectrograph slits such that it did not 'see' the walls of the reaction vessel was achieved by using a helium-neon laser.

Kodak Panchro Royal film was found to be perfectly adequate for wavelengths longer than 230nm, without sensitisation to ultraviolet light using sodium salicylate. Plates were developed in Ilford Contrast FF developer (1+4) for 5 minutes at 20°C , with continuous agitation. Sensitized plates appeared to give better image density but resulted in a rather grainy emulsion, which gave a poor signal to noise ratio when densitometered.

The characteristic curve, which is a plot of the optical density versus the logarithm of the exposure, is obtained by subjecting the photographic plate to a series of exposures, each greater by a constant factor than that of the preceding one, and measuring the resultant optical densities.

For quantitative work it is necessary to work in the linear region of the curve, scattered light from the photolysis flash normally being sufficient to take images into this region. However, if one of the reagents has a particularly strong continuum absorption, then the image may no longer lie on the linear section of the curve for that particular region of the spectrum.

Plates were densitometered on a Joyce Loebel Double Beam Recording Microdensitomer MKIII and optical densities of absorption bands obtained by comparing the plate densities D_0 , before the photolysis flash ($t = 0$), and D_t , at some subsequent time t . If the Beer Lambert Law applies, then

$$\text{Peak Height} = D_0 - D_t = \gamma \log I_0/I = \gamma \epsilon C_t l$$

where γ is the slope of the linear section of the characteristic curve, l is the path length through the absorber of concentration C_t at time t and ϵ is molar absorption coefficient. γ is inversely proportional to the microdensitometer wedge factor. Thus the peak height is directly proportional to concentration, except when plate saturation occurs.

In attempting to model the growth in the concentration of a transient species within the duration of the flash, by computer simulation, it is necessary to know the photolysis flash intensity profile. The flash was focused onto the slits of a monochromator by means of a concave front-surfaced mirror. Carbonyl sulphide absorbs in the ultraviolet with a maximum absorbance at 236 nm, so that this wavelength was selected to monitor the flash profile. The signal from a photomultiplier (Type EMI 9661B) was transferred to a transient recorder (DL 905) and subsequently plotted out using an XYT recorder. The time constant for the circuit was estimated

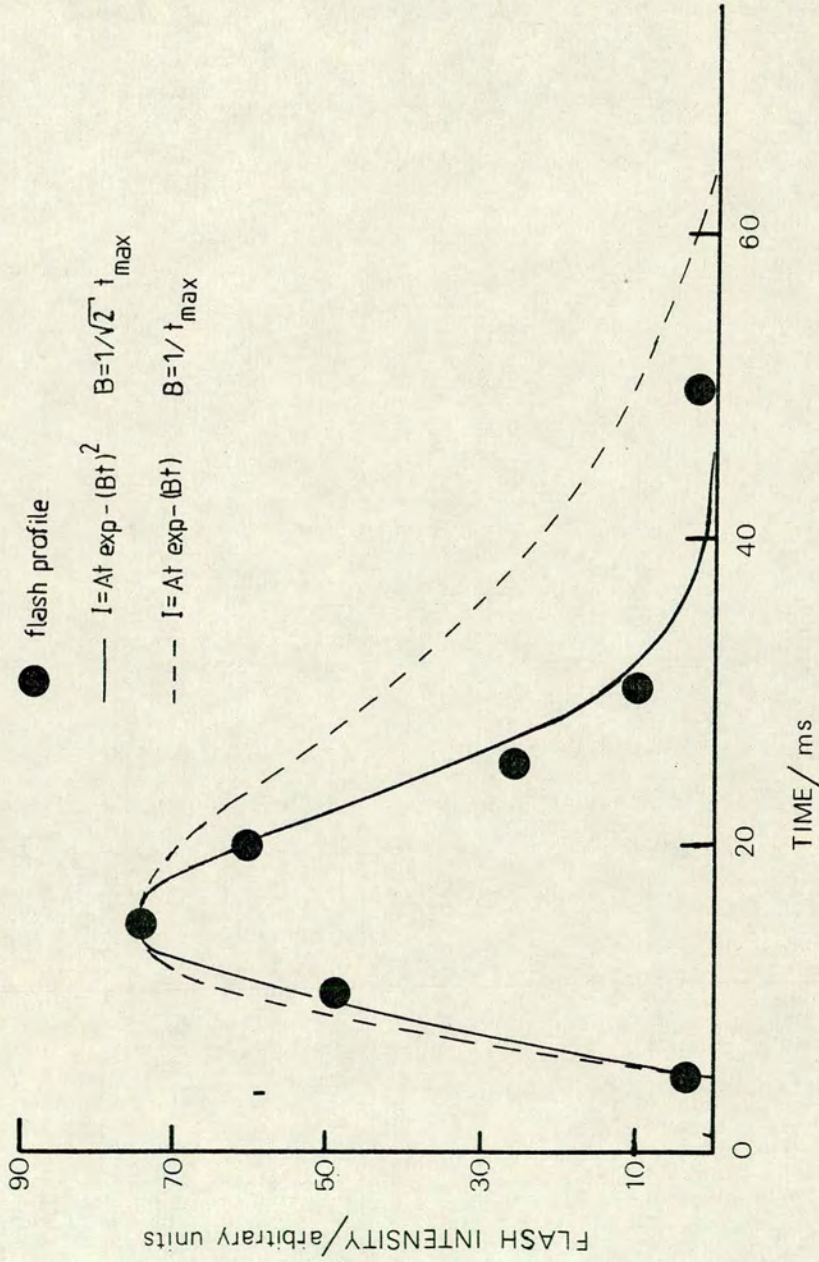


Figure 6: Experimental and computed flash profiles

to be 0.5 μ sec.

The flash profile is often found to fit an expression of the type:-

$$I = At \exp(-\beta t); \quad \beta = 1/t \text{ max}$$

where I is the intensity at time t, β is inversely proportional to the time at which the intensity is at a maximum and A is a constant of proportionality. In this case the flash was found to decay rapidly so that the above expression was modified.

$$I = At \exp(-\beta t)^2; \quad \beta = 1/\sqrt{2} t \text{ max}$$

The intensity is effectively described by the photomultiplier output voltage. A plot showing the experimental and fitted curves is given in Figure 6. Later simulation studies suggested that the time constant for the detector circuit may have been underestimated so that some distortion of the true profile may have occurred (see chapter 7), and the time constant should have been further decreased. However, an expression of the second form is still applicable if the fast decay of the flash is to be accounted for.

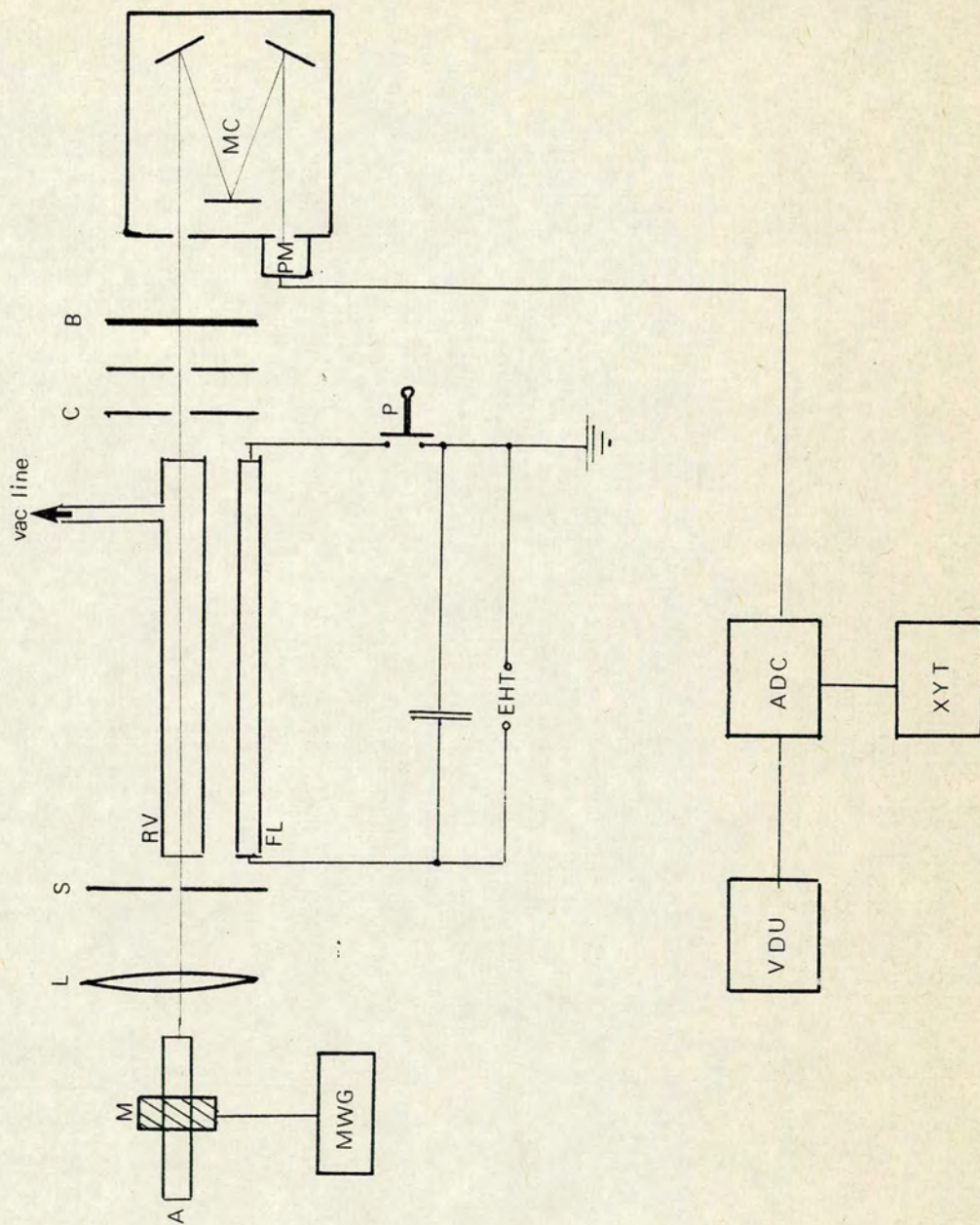
2.05 Flash Photolysis with Kinetic Spectrophotometry

Kinetic spectrophotometry was used to study the secondary reactions following ozone photolysis. This technique has been widely used and is described in detail elsewhere.⁸² Only those aspects of the design which relate to the present study will be described in the following sections. Figure 7 shows a diagram of the apparatus.

Reaction vessel and Flash lamp :-

As ozone is a strong absorber in the ultraviolet ($\lambda > 200\text{nm}$), the dimensions of the reaction vessel are important,

Figure 7: Experimental arrangement for studies using flash photolysis with kinetic spectrophotometry



- Key:
- A atomic emission lamp;
 - ADC analogue to digital converter;
 - B black glass filter;
 - C collimator;
 - FL Flash lamp;
 - L lens;
 - M microwave cavity;
 - MC monochromator;
 - MWG microwave generator;
 - P mechanical plunger;
 - PM photomultiplier;
 - RV reaction vessel;
 - S shutter;
 - VDU video display unit;
 - XYT XYT recorder.

both in optimising the extent of photolysis and also the extent to which the monitoring signal is attenuated. The diameter of the reaction vessel must be small enough to prevent the formation of significant concentration gradients (greater than 1:10) following photolysis, which would lead to noticeable diffusion effects within the time scale of reaction. However it is necessary to avoid too small a diameter, which would lead to heterogeneous processes having important effects on the observed decay of ozone, since the walls of the reaction vessel would lie within the observation zone.

Although it is desirable to have a long path length through the absorbing medium in order to optimise the S/N ratio, complete absorption may occur, due to the high extinction coefficient of ozone at the monitoring wavelength (253.7nm).

A cylindrical quartz reaction vessel was constructed (l = 125mm, i.d. = 20mm) to minimise these various effects. Quartz windows were mounted at each end, using araldite. A conventional glass vacuum line serviced the reaction vessel.

The flash lamp, also constructed of quartz (l = 202mm, i.d. = 15mm), lay parallel to the reaction vessel and was filled with Krypton to a pressure of 933 Nm^{-2} . Flash energies of ca. 60J were obtained by discharging a 1.5 μf capacitor at 7kV, the flash being initiated by a mechanical plunger.

Aluminium foil wrapped around the reaction vessel and flash lamp acted as a condenser, noticeably increasing the amount of photolysis, as well as reducing the amount of scattered light. Such interference has already been mentioned and in this work it was particularly important that as short a photomultiplier dead-time as possible should be obtained following the flash. Backward extrapolation of the ozone concentration to just after the end of the flash has to be

employed to obtain the amount of O_3 removed by the flash. To achieve a meaningful degree of accuracy, the extent of this extrapolation must be kept to a minimum. Two collimators (5mm) and a black glass filter, with transmission between 230 and 400nm, were inserted between the reaction vessel and the monochromator slits and reduced the dead-time from 2ms to approximately 600 μ s. Although this could be further reduced by narrowing the slit-width, a decrease in the S/N ratio resulted so that a compromise was made between the two factors. As reproducibility was an essential criterion of the experiment, the system was rigidly clamped.

The products of ozone photolysis are wavelength dependent and, in order to determine their relative amounts, the spectral output of the photolysis lamp was investigated. Figure 8 shows the photomultiplier output voltage over the wavelength range 200-600nm after correction for the quantum efficiency of the detector. At wavelengths longer than 350nm a Pyrex filter was placed in front of the monochromator entrance slits to avoid interference from higher spectral orders.

Detection of Ozone : Hg lamp.

Ozone was monitored by measuring the absorption of light at 253.7nm from a mercury atomic lamp. Mercury has a vapour pressure of ca. 0.23 Nm⁻² at room temperature (293^oK), and is thus ideal for use in a sealed microwave lamp. The construction of this type of lamp has been described by Little.⁸³ Several drops of mercury were placed in the tube and thoroughly outgassed before being filled with Krypton (1.3 kNm⁻²) and sealed. The inert gas stabilised the discharge and an outer Pyrex jacket

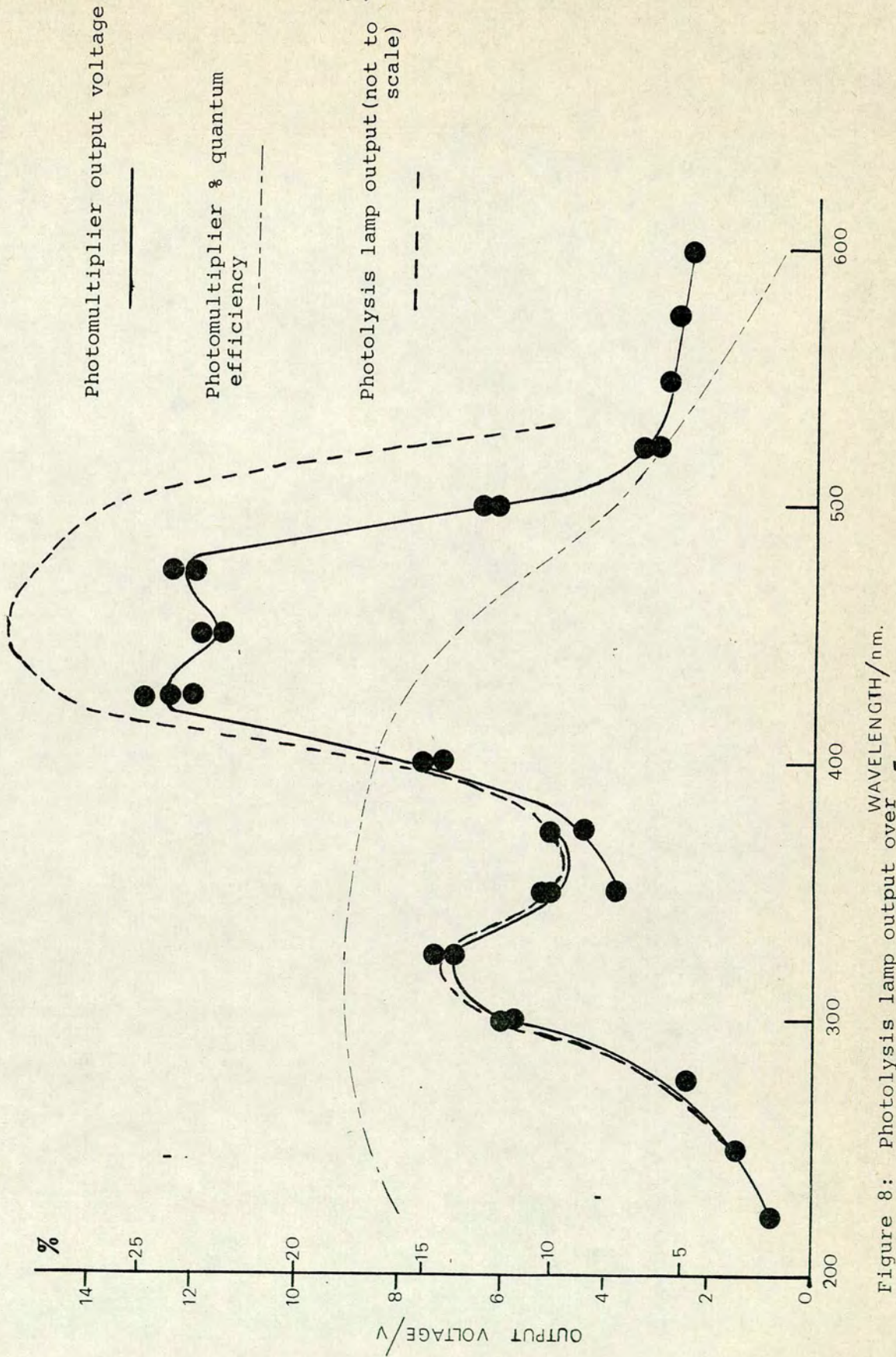


Figure 8: Photolysis lamp output over the wavelength range 200-600 nm.

acted as an ultraviolet shield, as well as helping to maintain thermal equilibrium. A standard Evenson cavity was tuned to give optimum conditions of operation with incident powers of 50-75W. The 2450 MHz microwave generator (EMS Microtron 200 Mk II) had extra DC smoothing and stabilisation to prevent the superimposition of 50 Hz mains ripple on the lamp output. The emission was focused through the reaction vessel onto the monochromator entrance slits. To prevent photolysis of ozone while the reaction vessel was being filled and before the flash lamp was discharged, a shutter was placed between the emission lamp and the lens.

The monochromator was a Hilger and Watts Monospek 1000 Grating Scanning Spectrometer fitted with a D410 plane grating blazed at 1.0μ and, in this case, operated in the second order with slit widths of 250μ . Absorption signals were detected by means of an EMI 9661B photomultiplier tube, mounted at the exit slit of the monochromator. This photomultiplier is an improved 9-stage side window tube having a Corning 9741 glass envelope which transmits down to 200 nm, the caesium-antimony cathode having an S-5 type spectral response. Conventional whole dynode chain circuits are designed for situations where a high gain is required. In this case the intensity of the Hg emission was such that a detector with high sensitivity was not required and indeed a photomultiplier circuit with relatively low gain was more suitable. Thus only the first six dynodes of the photomultiplier were used, the remaining three acting as the anode. This allowed high incident light levels to be used, thus ensuring a high photocathode current and optimising the signal to noise ratio, without causing excessive

anode currents which would have resulted in a non linear response. The circuit diagram is shown in Figure 2b. The tube was typically run at 650-750V (Brandenburg 472R Power Supply), with the output of the photomultiplier developed across a $10k\Omega$ resistor, before being fed to a fast analogue to digital converter (Datalab DL905). This has an 8 bit x 1024 word integral memory. Signals were inspected on a visual display unit (Telequipment DM64) before transfer to an XY plotter for analysis.

The Beer Lambert Law

The attenuation of radiation through an absorbing medium is normally described by means of the Beer Lambert Law.

$$\ln I_0/I = \alpha cl$$

I_0 and I are the incident and transmitted light intensities through an absorbing medium of concentration C and path length l . The constant of proportionality, α , is known as the extinction coefficient.

2.06 Gas Handling

Reagents were handled using a conventional glass vacuum line, evacuated by a liquid N_2 cryogenic trap and a mercury diffusion pump backed by a rotary pump, giving a vacuum better than $2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$, measured with a pirani gauge. Gas pressures were measured using a glass spiral gauge ($1-15 \text{ kNm}^{-2}$) or a mercury manometer ($13-100 \text{ kNm}^{-2}$). Lower pressures were measured by using sharing ratios. The line was fitted with a highly efficient mechanical mixing vessel and reagents were allowed to mix for at least five minutes before carrying out an experiment. All bulbs used for ozone storage were aged before use and were well protected from room light by black cloth. Details of sources,

preparation, purification and handling of all reagents used are given in Appendix 1.

Contamination of the vacuum line by mercury vapour was occasionally a problem in experiments where ozone was monitored by absorption of radiation at 253.7 nm. The effect of the photolytic flash was to drive mercury atoms off the walls of the reaction vessel into the field of observation, so causing an apparent transient absorption, even in the absence of any reagent mixture. By monitoring other mercury transitions which are not optically connected to the ground state, it could be confirmed that this was the cause of the transient signal. Thus special care was taken, so as to minimise the pressure of mercury vapour in the vacuum line. Gold wire, placed in the main manifold, removed mercury by forming an amalgam and the columns of the mercury manometer were covered by silicon oil (20 mm). The line was flushed several times before use with air (10 kNm^{-2}), so as to prevent contamination by mercury from the diffusion pump. A 5% solution of hydrofluoric acid removed traces of mercury from the walls of the reaction vessel.

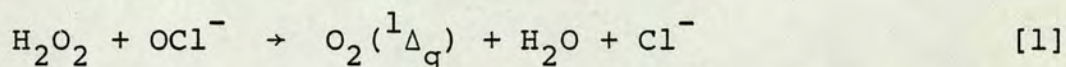
Chapter 3

Singlet Molecular Oxygen

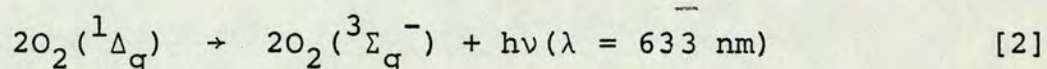
3.01 Introduction

In this chapter, rate constants for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ and H_2O have been obtained using an extremely simple experimental method. It has been found that when concentrated solutions of sodium hypochlorite and hydrogen peroxide (100 vol) are reacted, the decay of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, in the rapidly evolved oxygen bubbles, is controlled by quenching in the gas phase and that gas-surface interactions are negligible.

The weak red-orange chemiluminescence accompanying the reaction of the hypochlorite ion with hydrogen peroxide [1] was first observed by Mallet⁸⁴ in 1927.



Groh and Kirrman⁸⁵ proposed that the emission at 633 nm was due to the energy pooling of two electronically excited oxygen molecules [2], and this was later confirmed by Ogryzlo et al.²⁶



The complete emission spectrum of the reactions in the range 450-800 nm has been analysed by Khan and Kasha.⁸⁶ Table 2 lists the observed bands. From the analysis of the rotational structure it was shown that the emission from $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ at 762 nm arises from the bubbles.⁸⁶ No emission from singlet oxygen molecules in solution has been observed.²⁷

Isotopic labelling has confirmed the chloroperoxy ion as the intermediate⁸⁷ in reaction [1]. A spin correlation diagram²⁵ for the chloroperoxy ion, giving oxygen and chloride ion as products, correlates with $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and not $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$.

Table 2: Bands observed in the oxygen emission spectrum of the NaOCl/H₂O₂ reaction in the wavelength range 450-800 nm (after ref. 86).

Process giving rise to observed band	Wavelength/nm
${}^1\Delta(v'=0) + {}^1\Sigma(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=0) + {}^3\Sigma(v''=0)$	478.0
${}^1\Delta(v'=1) + {}^1\Delta(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=0) + {}^3\Sigma(v''=0)$	577.0
${}^1\Delta(v'=0) + {}^1\Delta(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=0) + {}^3\Sigma(v''=0)$	633.4
${}^1\Delta(v'=0) + {}^1\Delta(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=0) + {}^3\Sigma(v''=1)$	703.2
${}^1\Sigma(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=0)$	762.0
${}^1\Delta(v'=0) + {}^1\Delta(v'=0) \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma(v''=2) + {}^3\Sigma(v''=0)$	786.0

Table 3: Rate constants for deactivation of O₂ (${}^1\Delta_g$) in units of cm³molec⁻¹s⁻¹. Temperature = 293±5°K

Author (ref)	Quenching Gas	
	O ₂ (${}^3\Sigma_g^-$)	H ₂ O
This work	1.7 ± 0.4 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	4.0 ± 1.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁸
Becker (94)	1.7 ± 0.1 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	4.0 ± 1.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁸
Becker (97)	1.47 ± 0.05 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	
Wayne (101)	2.3 ± 0.2 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	1.4 ± 0.3 × 10 ⁻¹⁷
Findlay (98)	2.17 ± 0.12 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	
Steer (102)	2.04 ± 0.23 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	
Wohra (103)	1.7 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	
Heustis (91)	2.19 × 10 ⁻¹⁸ (calc)	
Borrell(104)	1.56 ± 0.04 × 10 ⁻¹⁸	

Higher states of the chloroperoxy ion correlate with $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ and the ratio of $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ to $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ has been found to be less than 10^{-6} .⁸⁹ The rate of reaction [1] is highly pH dependent and Kearns et al.^{27,88} have shown the emission intensity to be highest in the pH range 8-10, contrary to earlier work by Seliger.⁹⁰

3.02 Results and Discussion

In these experiments, sodium hypochlorite (Fisons technical grade) was added dropwise to hydrogen peroxide (100 vol), as described in section 2.02. The weight of a single drop was 0.083 g, except where luminescence was studied over a range of drop sizes (0.007-0.102g). Signals were averaged over 32 single shots, thus giving a five-fold reduction in signal to noise ratio.

Figure 9 shows a typical averaged decay of the 'dimol' emission obtained at room temperature (296°K) and atmospheric pressure. From this signal it can be seen that the rate of formation of singlet oxygen was much faster than its decay. Using information obtained by Kearns et al.²⁷, k_1 , the rate constant for overall formation of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, can be estimated to be $3.3 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at pH 10. This is several orders of magnitude faster than most gas phase quenching processes of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

In solution $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is efficiently quenched by H_2O , having a half-life of $2\mu\text{s}$.²⁷ Thus, although singlet oxygen is the dominant product of reaction [1], only a fraction of the oxygen molecules in a bubble will be in an excited state.

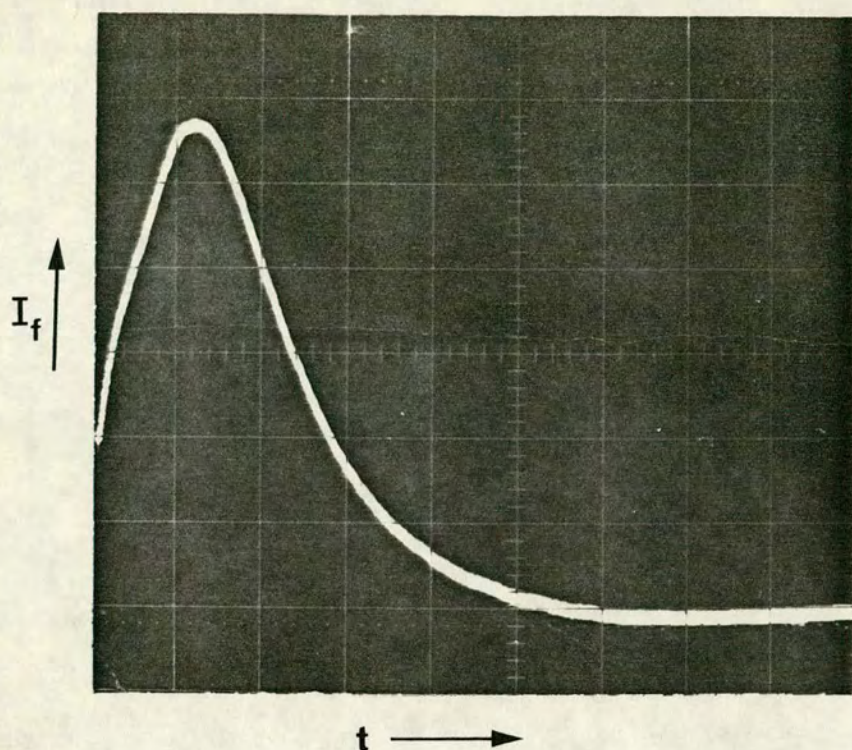
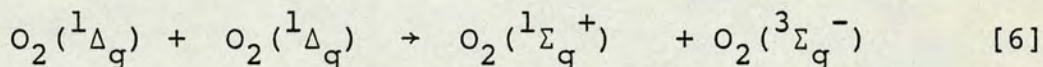
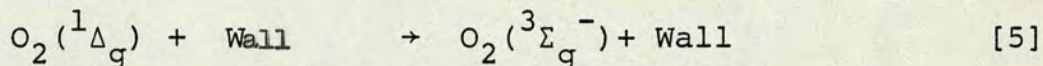
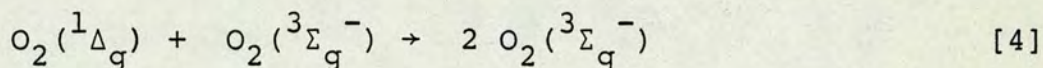
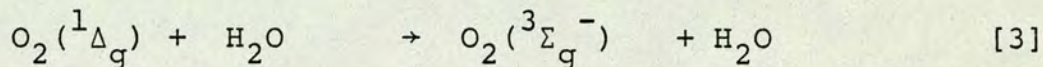
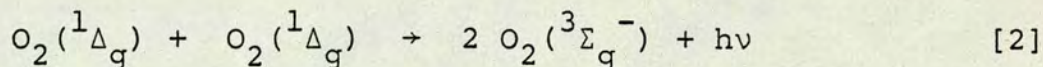


Figure 9. The rise and decay of "dimol" emission ($\lambda = 634 \text{ nm}$) from $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$, produced by the reaction of hydrogen peroxide solution (100 vol.) with a concentrated solution of sodium hypochlorite. The experiment was carried out at atmospheric pressure and at room temperature (296 K). The signal shown has been averaged over 32 separate runs; $t = 10 \text{ ms}$ per major division; $k' = 47 \text{ s}^{-1}$.

The most important removal processes for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in the bubbles should be quenching by H_2O [3] and $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ [4], wall removal [5] and 'dimol' processes [2,6].



Rate constants for reactions [3] and [4] are given in Table 3.

The best literature values for processes [2] and [6] are $2.6-5.0 \times 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ⁹¹ and $0.2-5.0 \times 10^{-17} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ^{92,93} respectively.

The effect of 'dimol' emission processes [2] on the decay will be negligible, so that this provides an ideal means of monitoring $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$. Although the rate constant for annihilation [6] is of the same magnitude as that for quenching by H_2O and $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ the low concentration of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ means that this process will only have a very small effect. The quenching efficiency of H_2O [3] is a factor of three greater than $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ [4].⁹⁴ Since the vapour pressure of water at S.T.P. is 2.3 kNm^{-2} ⁹⁵ (17τ), under normal conditions it would only account for < 8% of the total gas phase quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$. However, at higher temperatures, water would become the most abundant species in the bubble.

At room temperature, removal of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is controlled by wall deactivation and gas phase quenching by $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$. Since both of these processes are first order in $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ [7], and the intensity of dimol emission, I, is proportional to the square of the singlet oxygen concentration [8], a plot of the logarithm of $I^{1/2}$ versus time, t, should be linear, if second order processes are unimportant [9].

$$-\frac{d}{dt} [O_2(^1\Delta_g)] = (k_5[M] + k_4[O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)]) [O_2(^1\Delta_g)] \quad [7]$$

$$(I)^{1/2} \propto [O_2(^1\Delta_g)] \quad [8]$$

$$\ln(I)^{1/2} = -k't + \text{constant} \quad [9]$$

$$\text{where } k' = k_5[M] + k_4[O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)]$$

Figure 10 shows a computerised plot of the pseudo first order decay. Monitoring the decay either by the (0,0) or (0,1) bands, at 633 and 702 nm respectively, gave rise to the same rate coefficients. Furthermore, when the reaction vessel was flushed with oxygen or nitrogen, no detectable change in k' was observed. A small decrease in k' within experimental error, in the case of flushing with helium, could not be accounted for. Thus no apparent contribution to k' came from surface losses of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

The logarithm of the concentration, $\ln I^{1/2}$, was plotted against time, t, over four half-lives of the decay and no evidence of second order kinetics was apparent, as this would have resulted in non-linear behaviour.

The diffusion coefficient for self diffusion of oxygen can be expressed as a function of temperature ($T/^\circ\text{K}$) and pressure (P/mm Hg) [10].

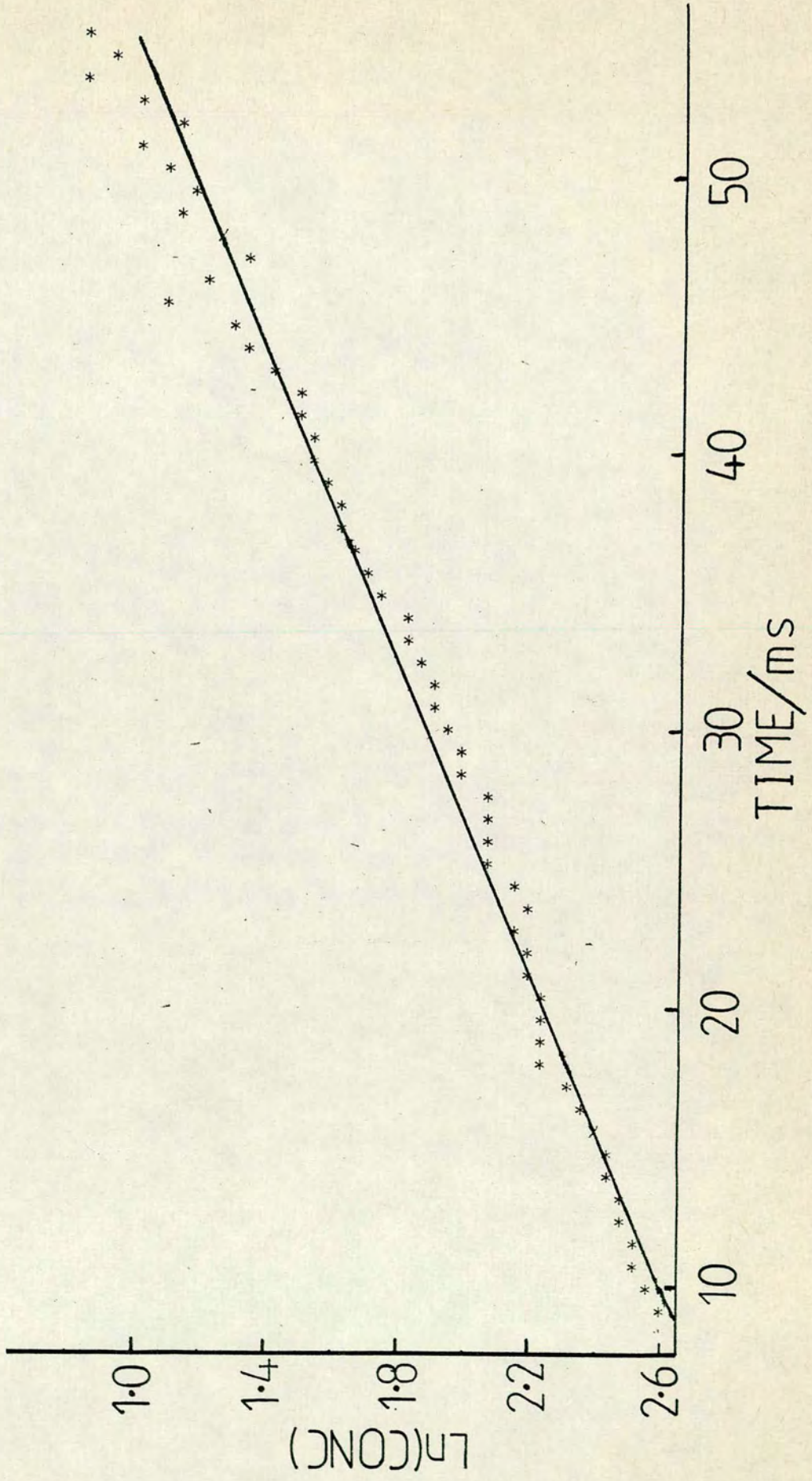


Figure 10: A computerised plot of the pseudo first order decay of O_2 ($l \Delta g$)

$$D_{O_2-O_2} = 3.07 \times 10^{-6} T^{3/2} P^{-1} (\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}) \quad [10]$$

This expression was calculated from simple diffusion theory and compares well with the experimentally determined value for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ by Wayne,⁹⁶ which gives $D_{O_2-O_2}^*$ as $2.01 \times 10^{-5} \text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ at 1 atmosphere pressure and 298°K. Thus for bubbles with a diameter less than 1 mm, diffusion to the walls probably accounts for most of the deactivation of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, whereas for larger diameters gas phase quenching should be dominant.

By varying the bore of the burette tip, a range of drop sizes of NaOCl could be obtained. Even when observed by eye, the average bubble size appeared to be considerably reduced for the smaller drops. Pseudo first order decay coefficients were obtained for drop weights in the range 0.007-0.102g and these are shown in Figure 11. Higher removal rates of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ are observed for small drop sizes and are probably accounted for by wall deactivation. For drops weighing more than 0.7g, the decay rate levels off as gas phase quenching becomes dominant due to the formation of larger bubbles.

Thus, the standard drop weight (0.083g) used in these experiments lies in the region where gas phase quenching, rather than wall deactivation, controls the removal rate. Further evidence for this comes from high speed film of the reaction. A single drop of sodium hypochlorite (0.083g) was allowed to fall into 100 volume H_2O_2 and the rapid growth of oxygen bubbles recorded at a film speed of 8000 frames per second. The reaction is illustrated, at various stages in its development, by a series of prints showing vertical and horizontal views of the reaction zone (Figures 12 and 13).

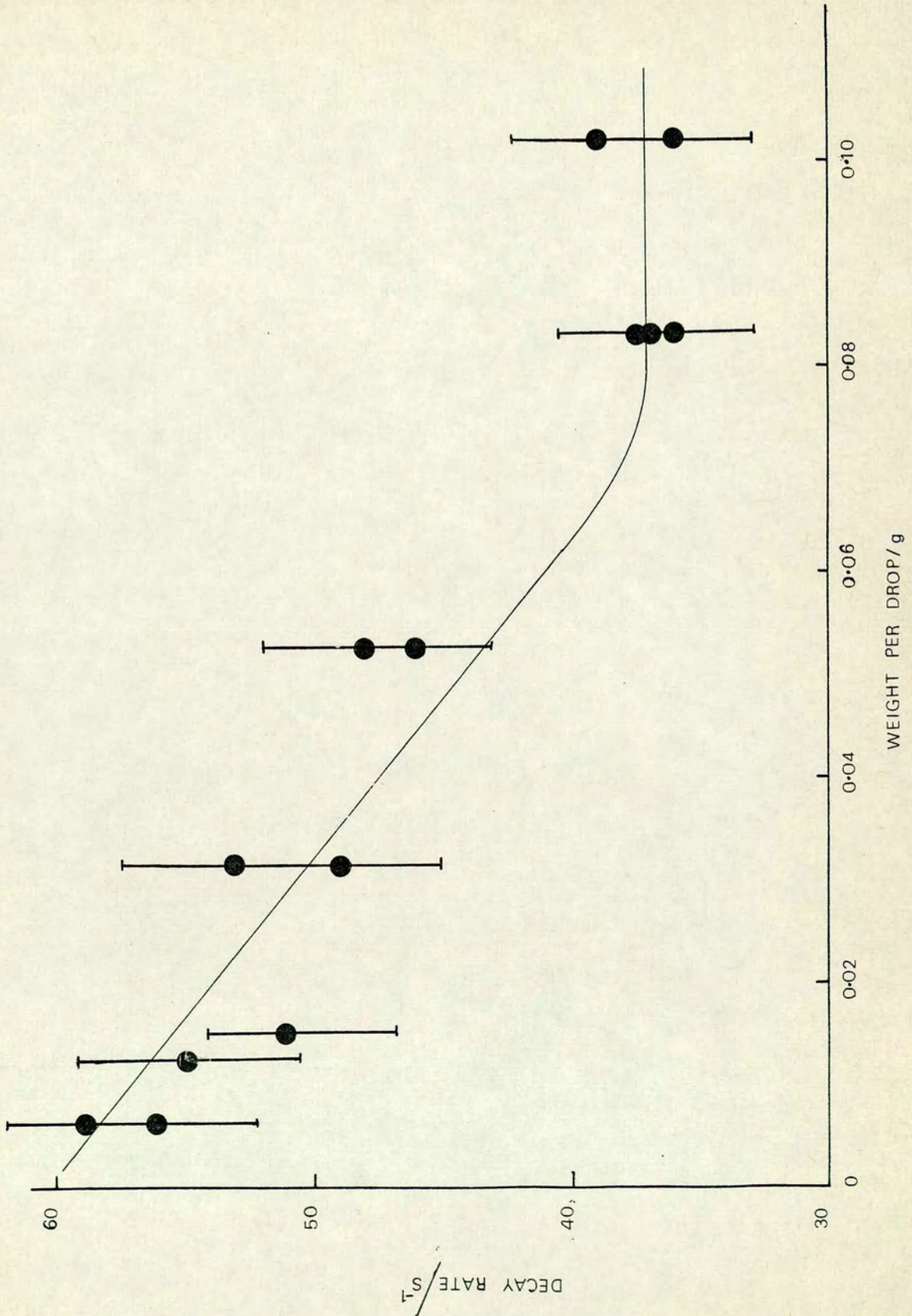
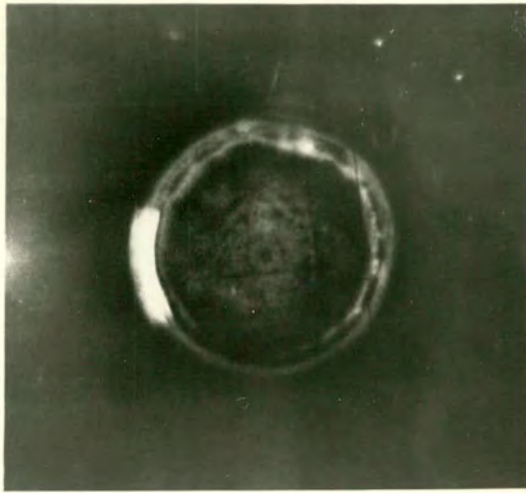
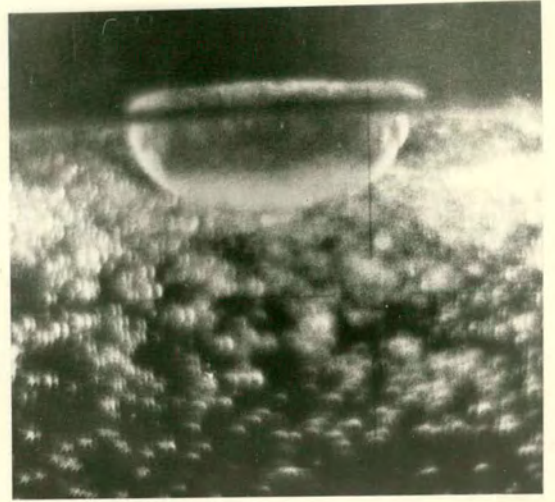


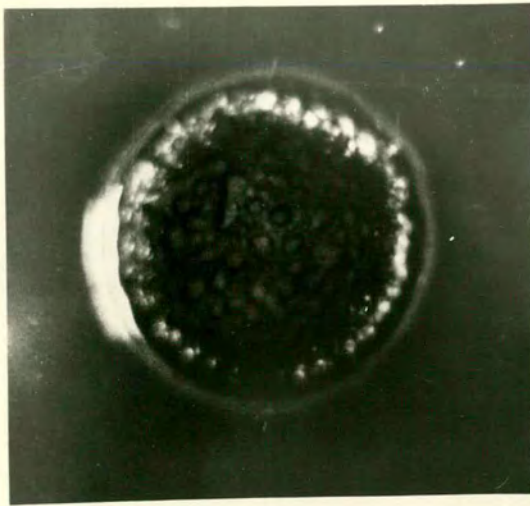
Figure 11 : A plot of the pseudo first order decay coefficient for quenching of O_2 ($\frac{1}{\Delta g}$) versus NaOCl drop weight



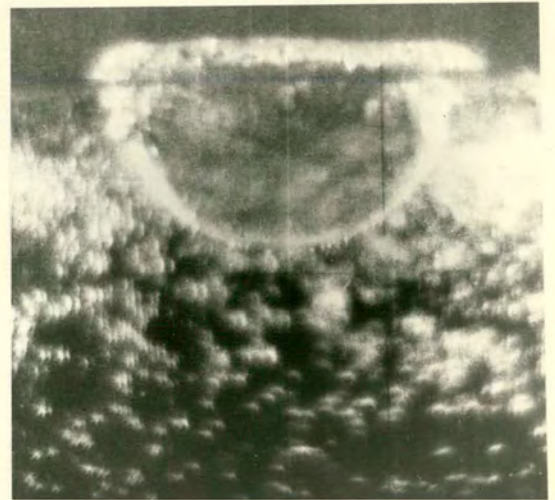
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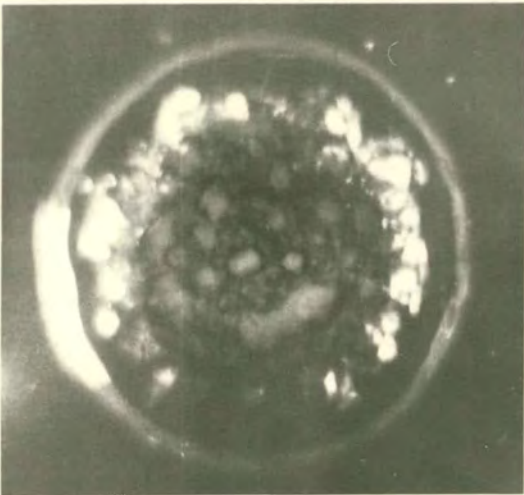
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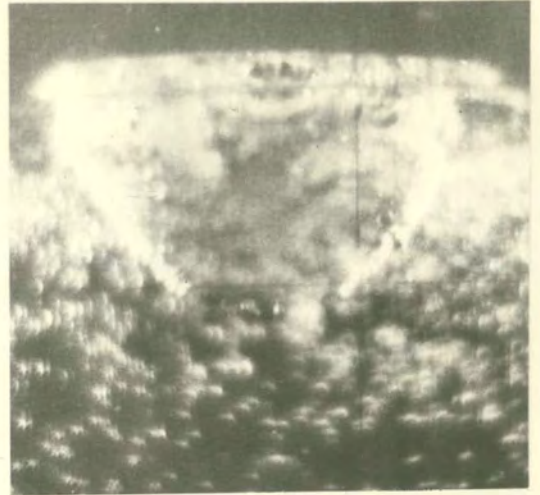
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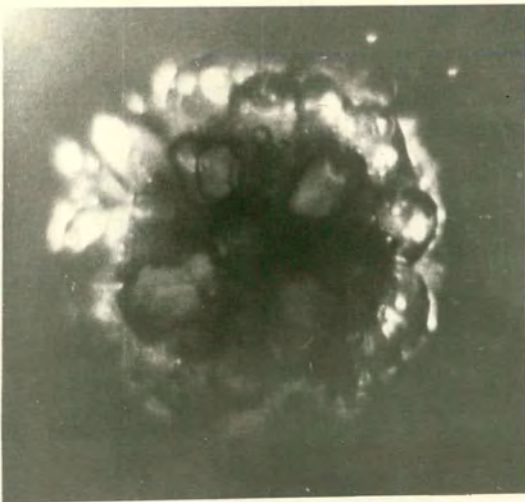
Figure 12: Vertical and side views of the $\text{NaOCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ reaction at 5 and 10 ms



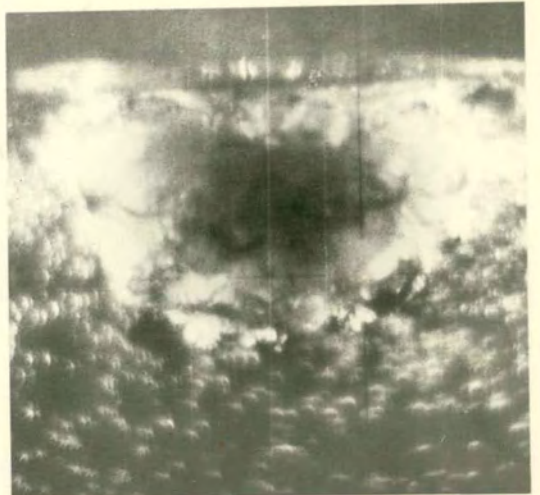
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Figure 13: Vertical and side views of the $\text{NaOCl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ reaction at 16 and 29 ms

A number of important features are immediately apparent. Not only is the reaction confined to a specific, localised region of the solution, but, for at least 40 ms after its initiation, there appears to be no escape of oxygen due to bubbles breaking at the gas/liquid interface. Thus, there is no contribution to the observed chemiluminescent decay due to escape of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ at the liquid surface. Since the reaction is localised, occurring within a volume of ca. 2 cm^3 , the photomultiplier can view the complete reaction zone.

In studying the various stages of the reaction as illustrated in Figures 12 and 13, it is interesting to compare these with the decay of 'dimol' emission shown in Figure 9.

Within several milliseconds (Fig.12 a) of the drop of NaOCl falling into the peroxide solutions, a well defined region of activity is discernable, being bounded by a wave moving out from the point of impact. At 10 ms (Figure 12b) this region is still growing rapidly in volume while the NaOCl/ H_2O_2 reaction proceeds just within the radially expanding boundary. Individual bubbles are now recognisable in the centre of the reaction zone and many have diameters approaching 0.5 mm. The emission intensity is at a maximum at 13 ms, when the formation and removal processes for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ proceed at nearly equal rates. After 16 ms (Figure 13a) the reaction has progressed to that section of the decay where first order kinetics are applicable. The active volume is no longer increasing, although the wave can still be seen moving further out from its centre of origin. The volume of O_2 liberated at STP on the complete reaction of 0.083 g of NaOCl solution

(8% available chlorine) with H_2O_2 is 1.70 cm^3 . This compares favourably with an estimate of 1.85 cm^3 for the volume of the reaction zone at 16 ms, made using the prints in Figure 13a. Most bubbles now have diameters greater than 1 mm and are merging together to become even larger. This is further evidence that only gas phase removal processes are important for NaOCl drop sizes greater than 0.07g. After 29 ms the emission intensity has dropped considerably and the reaction is in its final stages. Bubbles as large as 5 mm in diameter can be observed, but there is still no sign of movement towards the surface until at least 40 ms after the point at which the drop broke the peroxide surface.

The high speed film provides conclusive evidence that the observed emission arises only from within the bubbles, and not from the solution. Also, under the standard experimental conditions, it is mainly gas phase removal of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ that is important and any contributions to the observed decay by surface losses or a poorly defined observation zone are minimal.

Thus, it was possible to obtain the rate constant for quenching by $\text{O}_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ by simply varying the pressure above the surface of the peroxide solution as this should vary the bubble oxygen pressure by the same amount. Figure 14 shows a plot of the pseudo first order rate coefficients for quenching of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ against the pressure of $\text{O}_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$. Linear behaviour was indeed found and the graph yields a value for k_4 of $(1.7 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, which is in agreement with the values obtained by Becker et al,^{94,97} the most recent of these being obtained by using an improved detection system.⁹⁷ Current literature values for k_4 are shown in Table 3.

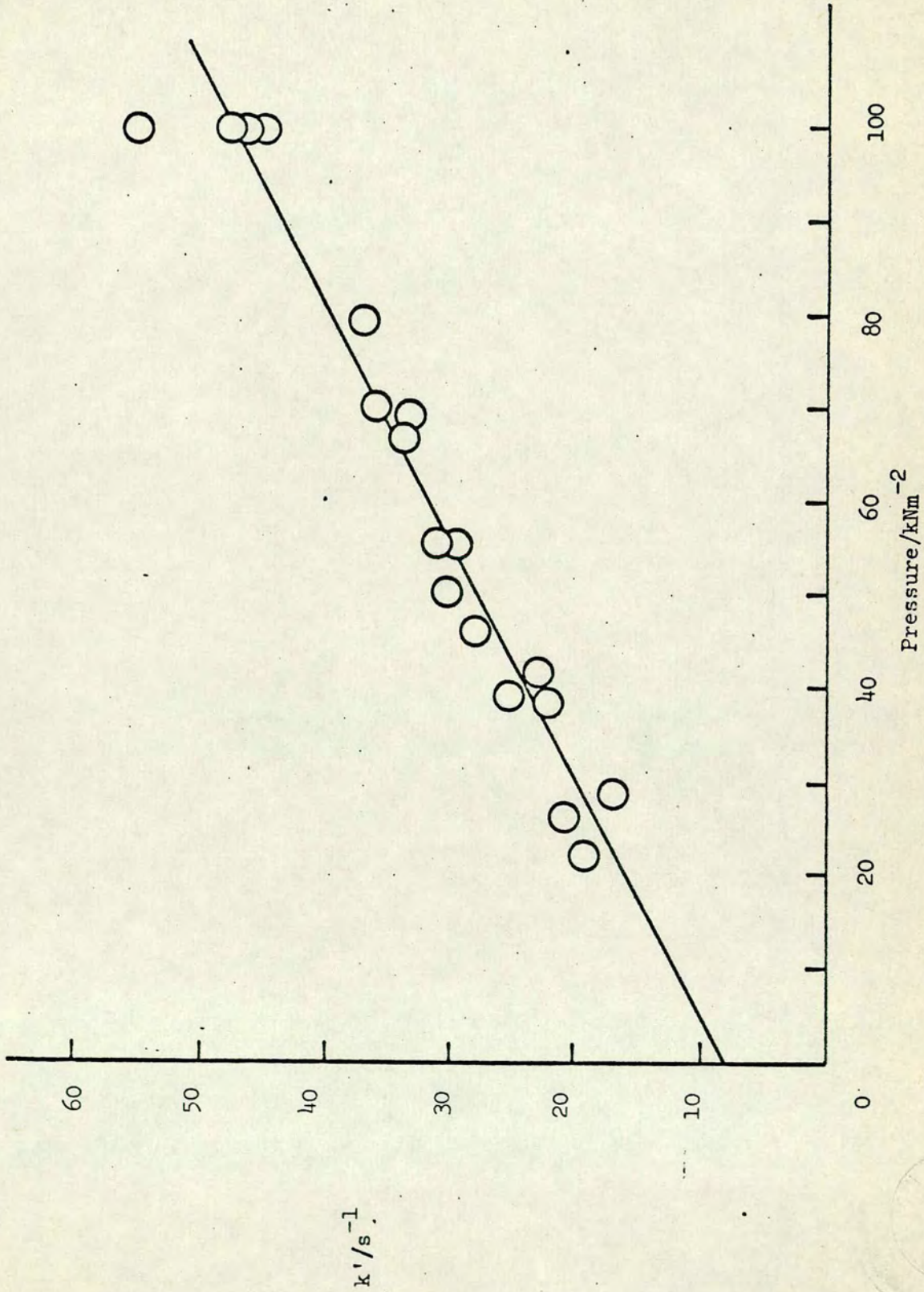


Figure 14. Plot of the pseudo-first-order rate coefficients (k') for quenching of $\text{O}_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ against the pressure of $\text{O}_2(X^3\Sigma_g^-)$.



If the oxygen in the bubbles was almost entirely present in the $^1\Delta_g$ state, this rate constant might be attributable to the 'dimol' annihilation process [6]. However, no second order trends were observed for the original 'dimol' luminescence decays. Also, since the lifetime of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in aqueous solution is only ca. $2\mu s$, it is extremely improbable that the proportion of singlet oxygen in the bubbles should be greater than several percent. To confirm this a computer model of the system was used and gave good agreement with the experimental data for pseudo first order removal of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

Pressure variation of the pseudo first order quenching rate was also investigated for a drop weight of 0.007 g, a factor of 12 smaller than the standard weight. In decreasing the pressure from 100 kNm^{-2} (760τ) to 15 kNm^{-2} (110τ), the rate did not show any negative pressure dependence and may indeed have increased slightly, confirming that diffusion controlled wall deactivation accounts almost entirely for the removal of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ under such conditions.

Since H_2O is approximately three times more efficient in quenching $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ than $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$, once the partial pressure of H_2O inside the bubbles is greater than 25 kNm^{-2} (190τ), quenching by this species will be dominant. The simplest available means of increasing the vapour pressure of water in this system was to heat the peroxide solution before adding NaOCl from the burette. Even at the highest temperatures used ($360^\circ K$) the effect of adding 32 drops of NaOCl, maintained at room temperature, was only to decrease the overall temperature of the solution by 2 to $3^\circ K$. Over the middle of the temperature

range (300-330°K) the exothermic nature of the reaction helped to maintain the temperature of the solution at a constant value. The greatest effect was observed for the lowest temperature (263°K), where the warmer NaOCl solution and the reaction's exothermicity both served to increase the temperature of the H₂O₂ solution by approximately 5°K. Thus, the mean of the initial and final temperatures was used to calculate the partial pressure of H₂O in conjunction with literature data on H₂O vapour pressure.⁹⁵

In using this simple method of varying P_{H_2O} , and hence of obtaining a value of the quenching rate constant of O₂(¹Δ_g) by H₂O, it was important to consider the temperature dependence of k₃ and k₄. Any large effect could invalidate the procedure. Finlay and Snelling⁹⁸ determined k₄ at three temperatures, 285, 299.5 and 322°K, the rate constant being expressed in the form, $k_4 = 2.22 \pm 0.09 \times 10^{-18} (T/300)^{0.78 \pm 0.32} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, where T is in °K. A more recent experiment, by Heustis et al,⁹¹ on laser excited liquid oxygen extended this information to 77°K, and was consistent with a T^{1/2} dependence, such that $k_4 = 2.22 \times 10^{-18} (T/300)^{1/2} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. In the range 260-360°K, k₄ varies from 2.0 x 10⁻¹⁸ to 2.43 x 10⁻¹⁸ cm³ molec⁻¹ s⁻¹. This variation in the quenching rate constant for O₂(³Σ_g⁻) lies well within the quoted error limits for k₄ determined in this work and could be considered unimportant for the purposes of this investigation. No determination of the Arrhenius parameters for quenching of O₂(¹Δ_g) by H₂O has been reported, but it was assumed that k₃ shows the same temperature dependence as k₄.

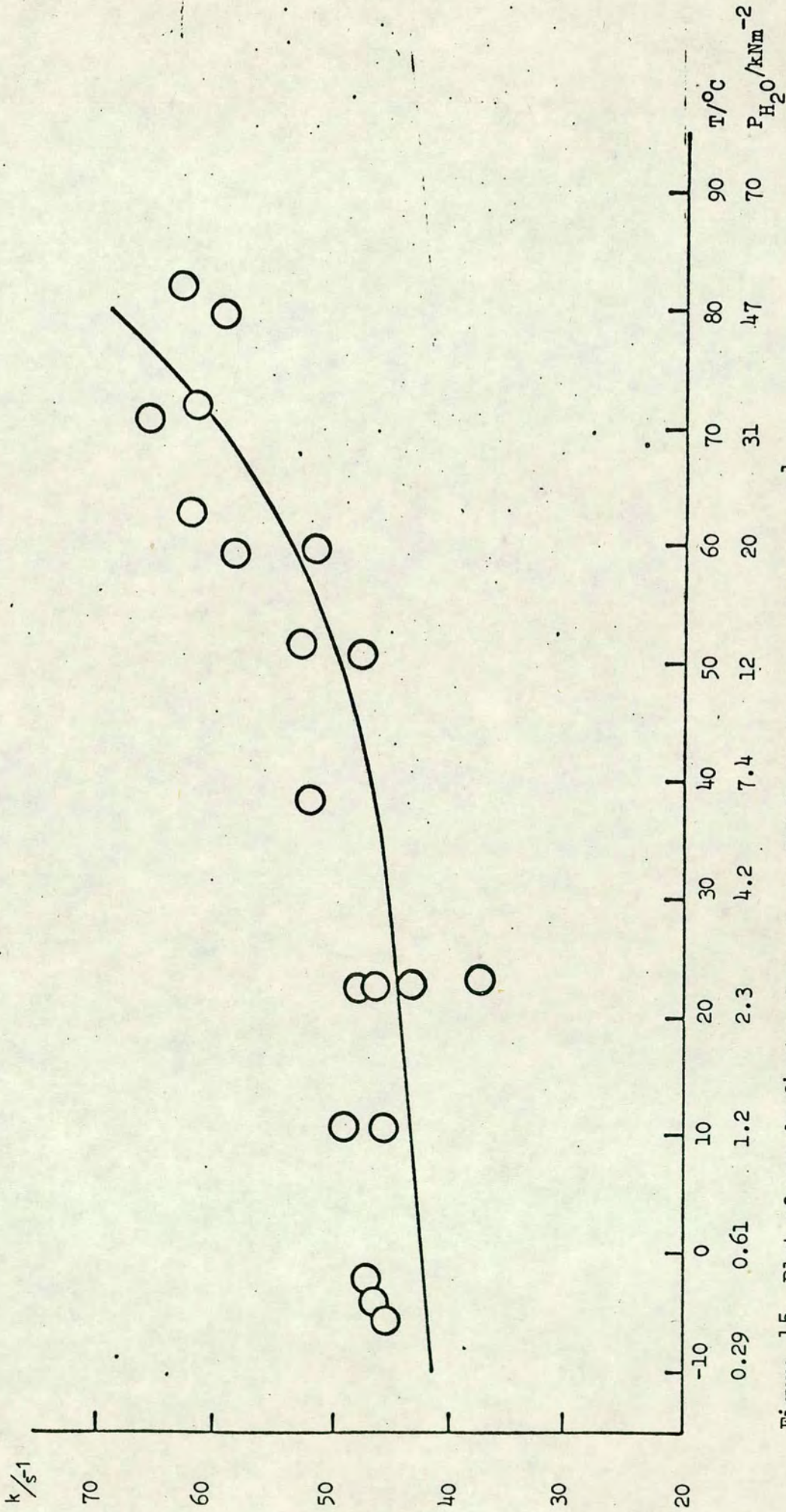


Figure 15. Plot of pseudo-first-order rate coefficients for quenching of $\text{O}_2(a^1\Delta)$ against the partial pressure of H_2O (and the temperature of the solution). The solid line is calculated from previous data.

The pseudo first order rate coefficient, k'' , for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is related to the H_2O partial pressure by an equation of the form [11].

$$k'' = k_3[H_2O] + k_4[O_2] + k_5 \quad [11]$$

A plot of $k''/[O_2]$ versus $[H_2O]/[O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)]$ was found to be linear and the slope gave a value for k_3 of $4.0 \pm 1.0 \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ which is again in agreement with that obtained by Becker et al.⁹⁴ (Table 3). The intercept gave a value for k_4 of $1.9 \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, which agrees with the previous determination, assuming negligible contribution from wall processes [5].

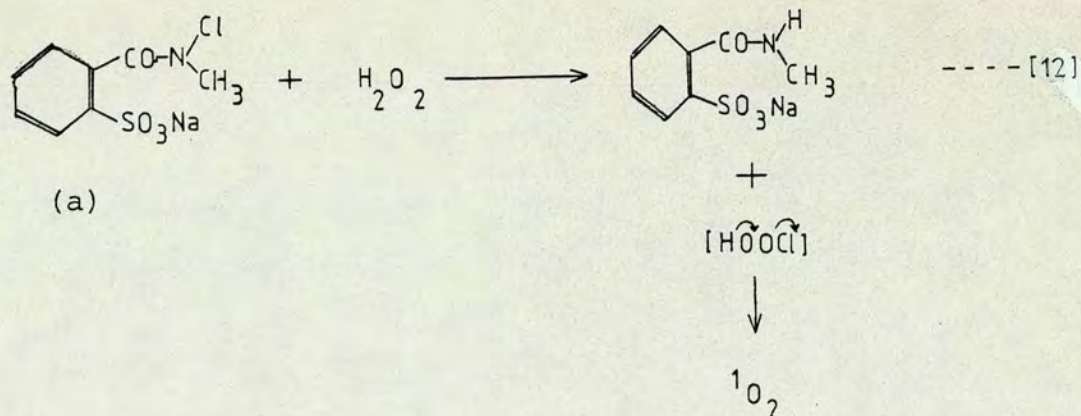
$$k_{O_2} = k_4 = (1.7 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$k_{H_2O} = k_3 = (4.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Figure 15 shows a plot of the pseudo-first order rate coefficients for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ against the partial pressure of H_2O . The solid line was calculated using the experimentally determined values shown above. Although there appears to be a wide scatter in the results, there is a definite trend in k'' which is attributable to the increased contribution to quenching by H_2O at higher temperatures.

3.03 Spectroscopic Detection of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ in other Chemical Systems

The sodium salt of N-chloro-N Methyl σ -sulpho benzamide (a), reacts in alkaline hydrogen peroxide as shown [12].



Singlet oxygen has been chemically trapped,⁹⁹ but product analysis experiments are often ambiguous. Salt (a) was prepared by the reaction of N-Methyl-o-sulphobenzamide with hypochlorous acid. A sample of (a) (36.4 mg) in water (20 cm³) containing acetic acid (10 cm³) was treated with KI (2g) and a piece of solid carbon dioxide. The liberated iodine was titrated against standard thiosulphate (0.1N) and the available chlorine from (a) was determined to be 24.8%.

An aqueous solution of (a) (1.0 M) was added dropwise (0.085 g) to 100 vol H₂O₂. No emission was detected over the pH range 8-10, even after the detection system had been optimised using the NaOCl-H₂O₂ reaction. Reaction [12] proceeds slowly and generates very small bubbles of oxygen, so that any singlet oxygen would be quenched in the solution. This technique is unsuitable for studying the evolution of O₂(¹Δ_g) under conditions where the rate of removal is more than two orders of magnitude slower than the rate of formation. Similarly no emission was detected from the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide in the presence of the enzyme catalase, although the generation of O₂(¹Δ_g) in this system has been discounted.³⁴

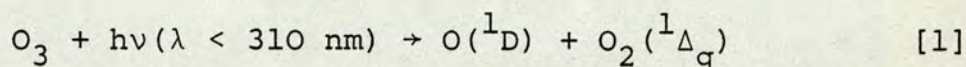
The oxidation of formaldehyde by alkaline peroxide in the presence of pyrogallol, the Trautz reaction, has been shown to evolve singlet oxygen.¹⁰⁰ Hydrogen peroxide (100 vol) was added to a solution of pyrogallol (2.2 g) in 37% formalin. The reaction was exceedingly vigorous and chemiluminescence was readily observed. Emission was detected at 633 nm and 702 nm. The pyrogallol/formalin solution absorbs in the red, so that luminescence, following addition of a single drop of H_2O_2 , could not be detected, and it was only when volumes of 1 cm^3 or more were added that a decay was observed. Poor signal to noise ratios were obtained, and the difficulty of reproducibly adding 1 cm^3 volumes of H_2O_2 , together with the highly exothermic nature of the reaction made signal averaging impracticable.

Chapter 4

Primary and Secondary Processes in the
Photolysis of Ozone

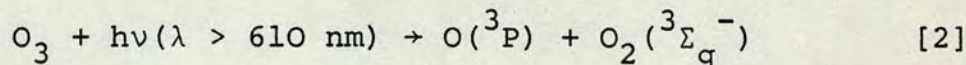
4.01 Introduction

The photolysis of ozone in the near ultraviolet Hartley band ($\lambda < 310$ nm) is an important source of metastable $O(^1D)$ atoms in the atmosphere [1]. There is much current interest in the subsequent reactions of $O(^1D)$ atoms, because of the important role this species plays in the initiation of stratospheric chemistry.



The main features in the absorption spectrum of ozone¹⁰⁵ consist of the strong Hartley band in the near ultraviolet (200-300 nm) centred at 254 nm, the Huggins band (300-360 nm) and the much weaker Chappius band (440-850 nm).

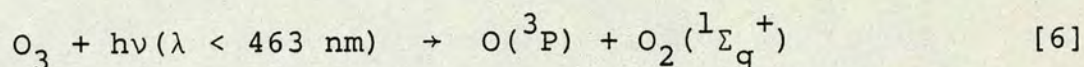
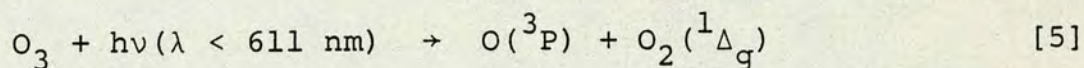
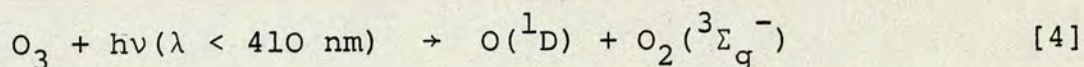
Photolysis of ozone in the red region of the spectrum ($\lambda > 610$ nm) is well understood¹⁰⁶ and yields both an oxygen atom and an oxygen molecule in their ground electronic states [2].



A further molecule of ozone is removed by reaction with $O(^3P)$ [3] produced in the initial photolysis step [2]. Thus the overall quantum yield, ϕ_f is 2.

Photolysis of O_3 in the near ultraviolet produces $O(^1D)$ as the main atomic fragment and also yields oxygen molecules in the metastable $^1\Delta_g$ state. Thermodynamic calculations¹⁰⁷ show the lower energy limit for the production of $O(^1D)$ and $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ from O_3 is $387 \pm 2 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$, which corresponds to a threshold wavelength of 310 nm. Wavelength limits for the

production of various electronic states of O_2 and O and the energies of these states are shown in tables 4 and 5.



Studies of the photolysis of ozone at 340 nm have shown that only processes [5] and [6] occur, [4] being unimportant.^{108,109}

In the wavelength range 300-320 nm [1], conflicting results have been obtained for the production of $O(^1D)$.¹¹⁰ Above 300 nm, the $O(^1D)$ yield falls off to zero. Even though the absorption cross section of O_3 is also rapidly decreasing in this threshold region,¹⁰⁵ the nature of this fall off is important in the troposphere and lower atmosphere, due to lack of radiation at wavelengths shorter than 300 nm. Some of the results which have been obtained are shown in figure 16.^{110,111,112}

The quantum efficiency for the production of $O(^1D)$ from O_3 photodissociation has been accepted as unity below 300 nm.^{113,114,115} However, recent results obtained by Lawrence et al.¹¹⁶ suggest that this may not be the case and show that $\Phi_{O(^1D)}$ decreases steadily from 0.93 to 0.87 in the wavelength region 300-274 nm.

The reaction of $O(^1D)$ with O_3

The overall quantum yield, Φ_f , for the removal of ozone on photolysis at shorter wavelengths ($\lambda < 300 \text{ nm}$) is considerably higher than that found for longer wavelengths. There is, however, considerable disagreement as to the exact value.

Table 4: The energies of the electronically excited states of oxygen atoms and molecules

O			O ₂		
State	E/kJ mol ⁻¹	E/eV	State	E/kJ mole ⁻¹	E/eV
³ P	0	0	³ Σ _g ⁻	0	0
¹ D	190.0	1.97	¹ Δ _g	94.3	0.98
¹ S	402.8	4.18	¹ Σ _g ⁺	151.7	1.57

Table 5: Long wavelength limits (nm) for the production of various states of O₂ and O in the photolysis of O₃

O \ O ₂	³ Σ _g ⁻	¹ Δ _g	¹ Σ _g ⁺	³ Σ _u ⁺	³ Σ _u ⁻
³ P	1180	611	463	230	170
¹ D	411	310	266	167	150
¹ S	234	196	179	129	108

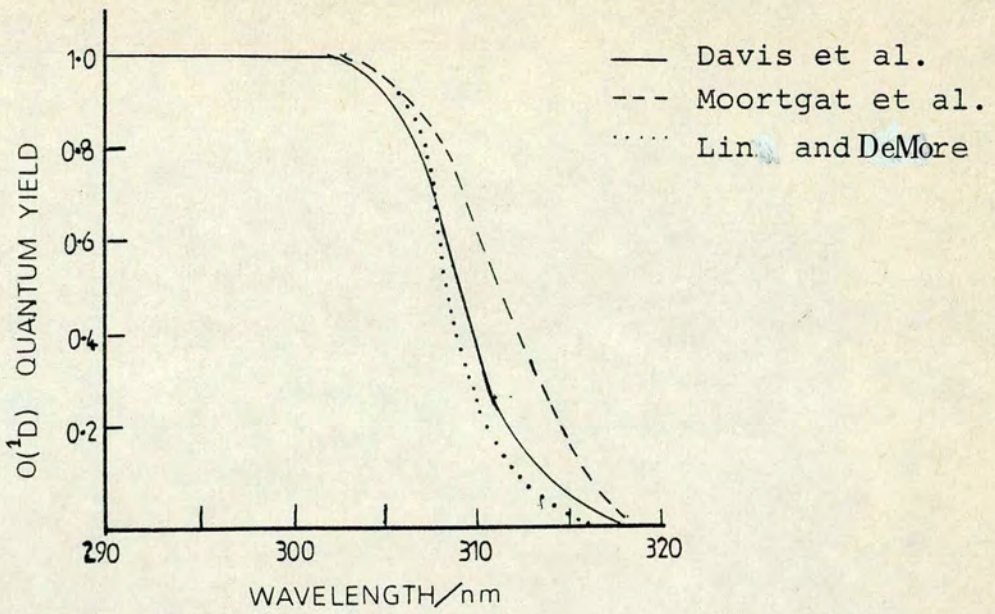


Figure 16: The quantum yield for O(¹D) production from ozone photolysis for wavelengths in the range (290-320)

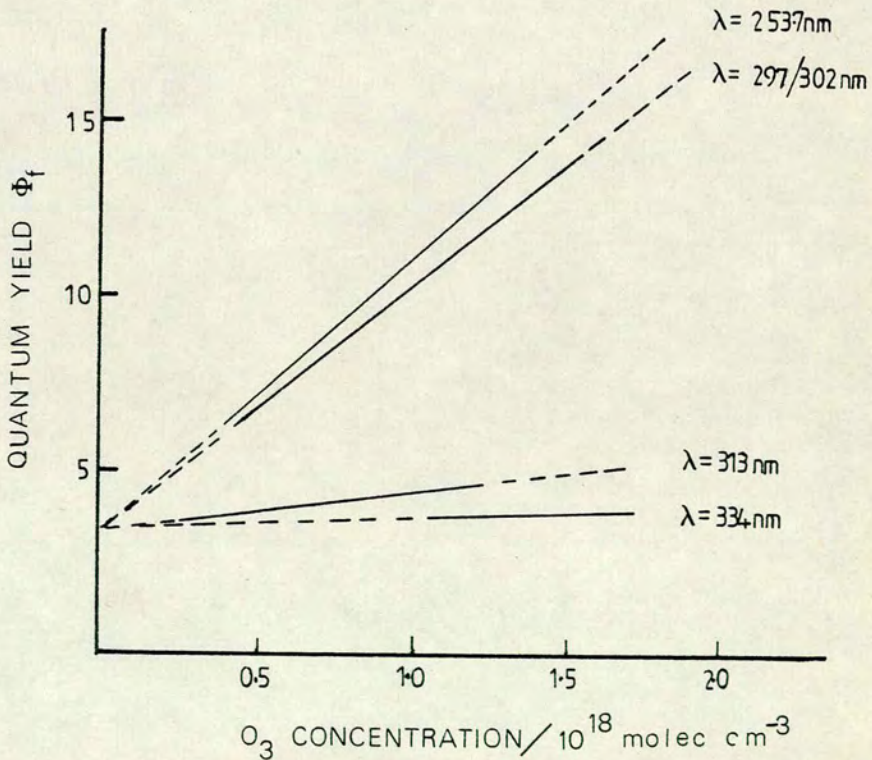
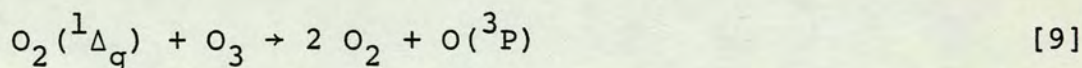
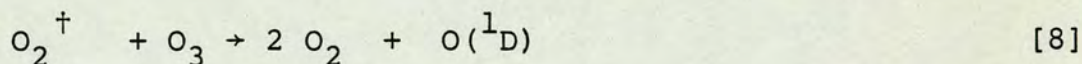
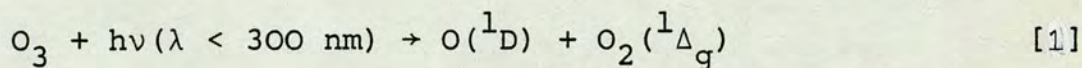


Figure 17: The dependence of Φ_f for pure ozone on concentration for a number of wavelengths (after ref. 108).

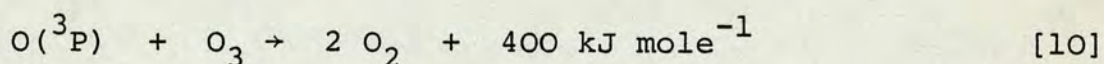
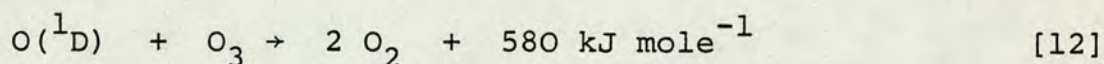
Heidt and Forbes¹¹⁷ found values of up to 6.7 in O₃/O₂ mixtures, while Norrish and Wayne¹¹⁸ obtained values as high as 16 in pure ozone ($\lambda = 253.7$ nm). Jones and Wayne¹⁰⁸ obtained high pressure values of 16 or 17 ($\lambda = 254$ nm) extrapolating to a zero pressure value of 4 for all wavelengths, whereas Schumacher et al.¹¹⁹ found a value of 6 in pure ozone over a wide range of pressures. Lissi and Heicklen¹¹⁴ found no evidence for $\phi_f > 6$ at 300 nm for pure ozone pressures up to 350 Nm⁻². Such diversity has resulted in considerable confusion as to the nature of the chemical processes involved in the degradation of pure ozone and, in particular, with regard to the products of the reaction of O(¹D) with O₃.

To account for the pressure dependence of ϕ_f , as shown in Figure 17, McGrath and Norrish¹²⁰ proposed a chain mechanism ([7]-[11]) initiated by O(¹D) [7] and propagated by O₂[†] [8], some energy rich state of molecular oxygen. Chain termination is by wall and gas phase quenching of O₂[†] [11].



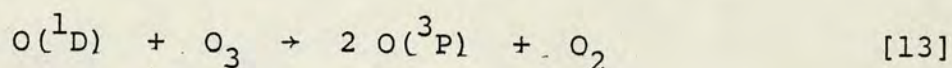
Extrapolation to $[O_3] = 0$ for this scheme yields $\phi_f = 4$, assuming only processes [1], [7], [9] and [10] occur. These assumptions are not altogether convincing and do not support the values of Schumacher et al.¹¹⁹ or Lissi and Heicklen¹¹⁴ at low O_3 pressures. It is important to note that Jones and Wayne¹⁰⁸ obtained no values of ϕ_f below 6 over the pressure range used and the validity of their extrapolation may therefore be in doubt.

McGrath and Norrish¹²⁰ have found $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$, $v'' < 17$, on photolysis of pure ozone, which they explained by the high exothermicity of reaction [12]

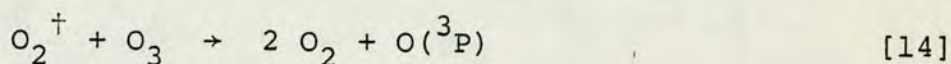


although [10] is also highly exothermic and could account for $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ up to $v'' = 27$. Bair et al.¹²¹ have found $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$, $v'' < 30$, suggesting $27 < v'' < 30$, formed from reaction [12], is at least a minor product. Reaction [8] becomes thermoneutral for $v'' = 17$ and the low concentration of $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$, $v'' > 17$ observed by McGrath and Norrish¹²⁰ led them to propose O_2^+ , $v'' > 17$ as the chain carrier, though the transfer of 17 quanta of energy is unlikely, even for near resonant processes.

The argument that an electronically excited state of O_2 , such as $^3\Sigma_u^+$, might be the chain carrier is improbable since the lifetime of this species is too short to have an effect within the experimental time scale.¹²² Gunther and Snelling¹²³ have shown that $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ formation is an unimportant product of the reaction of $O(^1D)$ with O_3 , so that this species, too, is not the chain carrier. Bair et al.^{121,122} have proposed reaction [13] as the major path, which results in an overall



quantum yield prediction of 6 for pure ozone which decreases by a factor of $2/3$ in the presence of gases which quench $O(^1D)$. Lissi and Heicklen¹¹⁴ have found that in the presence of N_2 , CO_2 or N_2O at high pressures ϕ_f falls to almost 4.0, supporting this scheme. However, these workers proposed reaction [14], with some quenching of O_2^+ , to account for a value of $\phi_f = 5.0 \pm 0.3$ in pure ozone.



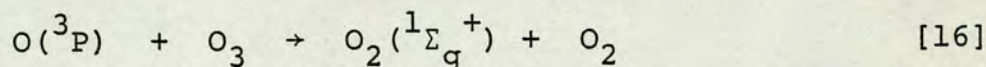
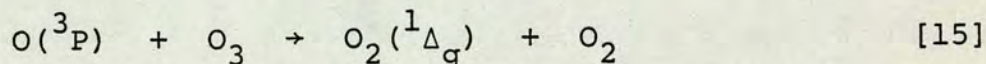
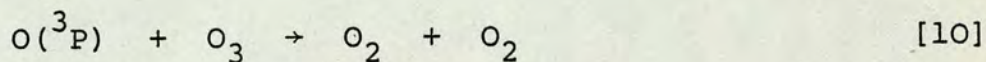
Giachardi and Wayne¹²⁴ studied the photolysis of ozone using both a conventional flow system and resonance fluorescence measurements of $[O(^3P)]$. Both techniques depended on the grouping of the secondary reactions following ozone photolysis into 'fast' and 'slow' processes. Conditions employed were such, that when reactions involving $O(^1D)$, $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ and O_2^+ had almost gone to completion, those involving $O(^3P)$ and $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ had barely begun. Hence it was possible to obtain an intermediate quantum yield ϕ_i , which only accounted for the removal of ozone by $O(^1D)$, $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ and O_2^+ .

In the presence of excess N_2 , when $O(^1D)$ is rapidly quenched, the intermediate quantum yield, ϕ_i , is 1.0. For pure ozone, assuming reaction [13] is the major channel, a value of $\phi_i = 2.0$ would be predicted. The involvement of processes such as [14] would give a value of $\phi_i > 2.0$. An experimental value of $\phi_i = 1.89 \pm 0.03$ was obtained, assuming a value of $\phi_i = 1.0$ for nitrogen. However, Giachardi and Wayne¹²⁴ made no allowance, in the case of excess nitrogen, for the removal of some 3-7% of $O(^1D)$ by reaction with O_3 rather than by physical quenching. Thus their experimental value of ϕ_i in pure ozone was probably closer to 2.0.

This result suggests reaction [13] is the major path and that the production of electronically or vibrationally excited molecular oxygen species is only of minor importance.

Giachardi and Wayne¹²⁴ calculated an overall quantum yield of $\phi_f = 4.7$, which can be compared with the value $\phi_f = 5.0 \pm 0.3$ obtained by Lissi and Heicklen,¹¹⁴ although this result was explained using the assumption that O_2^+ is produced by reaction [7], only a fraction of which reacts with O_3 . Schumacher et al.¹¹⁹ found $\phi_f = 6.0$ over a wide range of pressures and, although this does not support the values of $\phi_i = 1.9$ and $\phi_f = 4.7$ as obtained by Wayne,¹²⁴ it does suggest that $O(^1D)$ reacts with O_3 entirely by process [13]. The overall quantum yields, ϕ_f , obtained by various workers are summarised in Table 6.

The reaction of $O(^3P)$ with O_3

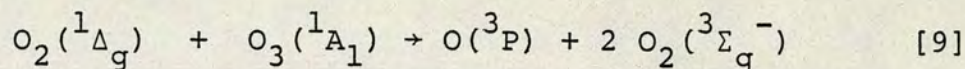


The reaction of $O(^3P)$ with ozone is well understood and seems to proceed entirely by process [10]. Although reaction [15] is allowed on grounds both of spin conservation and thermochemistry, the absence of any chain reaction¹⁰⁶ [9,15] following visible photolysis of O_3 seems to rule this possibility out. Similarly, $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ has not been observed¹²⁵ as a product of reaction [16].

Table 6. Final quantum yields for O₃ removal as found by other workers

Author	P _{O₃} /kNm ⁻²	φ _f	System Studied	Comments	Ref.
McGrath and Norrish	0.27-6.7	16.7	O ₃ /He	Chain mechanism postulated to account for φ _f at high pressures of O ₃	120
Norrish and Wayne	0 0.27	4.0 2.0	O ₃ /He O ₃ /N ₂	Extrapolation to [O ₃] = 0 yields φ _f = 4. φ _f = 2 in the presence of N ₂	118
Jones and Wayne	0.005-0.27 0.013	4.0 4.5 ± 0.3	O ₃ /O ₂ O ₃ /He	O ₂ added in partial pressures from 10-90%. φ _f remained constant	108
Schumacher et al.	1.3-13	6.0	O ₃ /He	φ _f remained constant over a wide range of O ₃ pressures	119
Lissi and Heicklen	0.013-0.36	5.5 ± 0.5 4.2 ± 0.4	O ₃ /He O ₃ /N ₂	O ₂ ⁺ postulated to account for φ _f in pure ozone	114
Webster and Bair	0.027		O ₃ /He O ₃ /N ₂	φ ₁ (O ₃ /He) = 2φ ₁ (O ₃ /N ₂)	122
Giachardi and Wayne	6.7-67 Nm ⁻²		O ₃ /He	φ ₁ incorrectly calculated for O ₃ /He system	124

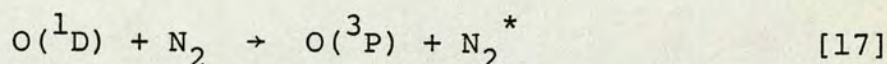
The reaction of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ with O_3



Although this reaction [9] is about 12.1 kJ mol^{-1} endothermic, it is spin allowed, and occurs in preference to physical quenching.

The quenching of $O(^1D)$

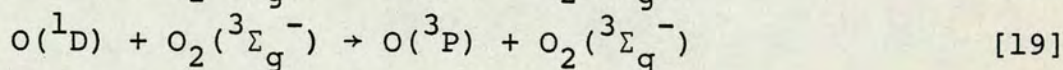
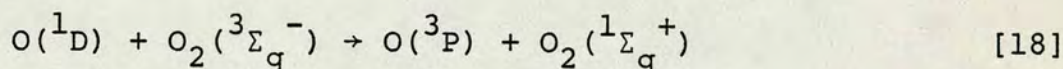
$O(^1D)$ is known to be efficiently quenched by N_2 , CO_2 and O_2^3 , the products



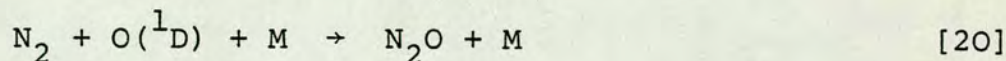
of this highly exothermic process [17] being $O(^3P)$ and vibrationally excited quencher.

Quenching by O_2 , however, can lead to formation of $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ by energy transfer as well as vibrationally excited $O_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ [18,19].

Literature estimates of the fraction, α , of $O(^1D)$ quenched to give $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ vary from 0.01 to 1.0. Giachardi and Wayne²⁰ suggest $0.5 < \alpha < 0.6$, whereas Young and Black¹²⁶ prefer a value for α of 1.0.



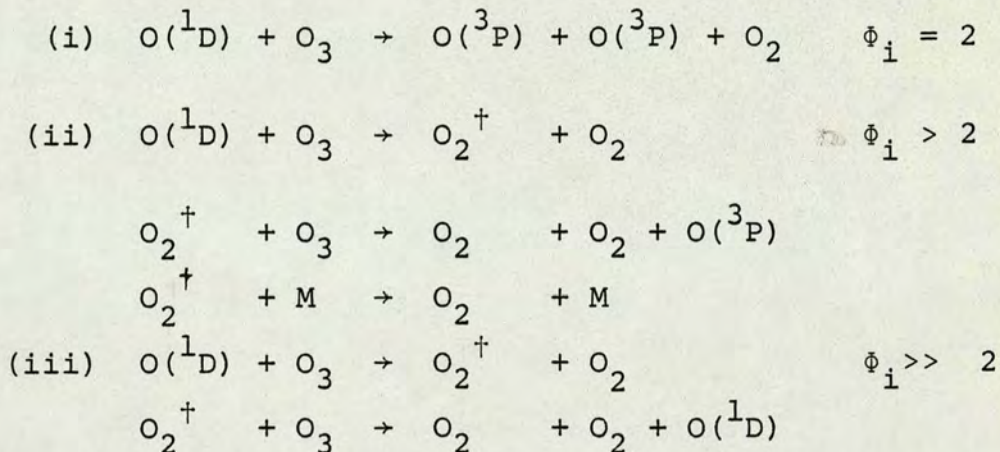
$O(^1D)$ is not efficiently quenched by gases such as He and SF_6 . The three body recombination of $O(^1D)$ with N_2 to give N_2O [20] is also unimportant.¹²⁷



The present study of ozone photolysis was undertaken in an attempt to resolve the discrepancies which exist, regarding the chemical processes involved in determining the intermediate and final quantum yields for O_3 removal. Most of the uncertainty

centres around the products of the reaction of $O(^1D)$ with O_3 .

The three possible outcomes of this reaction, which have already been discussed, are summarised below, together with the respective values of ϕ_i .



The importance of three body recombination processes in determining the value of ϕ_f is considered. Computer modelling studies were carried out to obtain a fuller understanding of all the processes involved and their relative significance.

4.02 Results and Discussion

Ozone was monitored in absorption at 253.7 nm using kinetic spectrophotometry, as described in section 2.05.

Preparation was by the method of Clough and Thrush¹²⁸ and ozone purity was checked using an ultraviolet spectrophotometer (Perkin-Elmer 402). Concentrations were determined from the absorption coefficients of Griggs.¹⁰⁵

In carrying out an experiment, the zero and incident (I_0) light intensities were plotted out first of all. The reaction vessel was filled so that the partial pressure of ozone was 26 Nm^{-2} (0.2τ) and the capacitor charged. After opening the shutter, the flash lamp was discharged and the ozone absorption signal monitored over a period of 20 ms.

The pretriggering facility of the transient recorder was used to check the ozone concentration immediately prior to the flash. The shutter was closed to prevent further photolysis and after the decay had been plotted out, the final ozone concentration was recorded. After pumping out the reaction vessel the incident light intensity was again checked to make certain that no change had occurred within the period of the experiment.

The ozone decay curve was extrapolated back to ca. 40 μ s after the flash, so as to obtain an estimate of the ozone concentration removed by primary processes.

In order to determine the yield of O(³P) from ozone photolysis, the product of the corrected flash intensity (Figure 8) and the ozone absorption coefficient was integrated over the wavelength range 200-600 nm (Figure 18). From this, it was shown that ca. 99% of the light absorbed on photolysis was of shorter wavelength than 310 nm. Hence, assuming the quantum yield for O(¹D) production to be unity for wavelengths shorter than 300 nm, less than 1% of oxygen atoms were produced in the ground ³P state.

In the preliminary stages of this investigation, experiments were carried out for both the O₃/He and O₃/He/N₂ systems using a total pressure of 2.6 kNm⁻² (20 τ). Final to intermediate quantum yield ratios (Φ_f/Φ_i) were found to be ca. 2.8 and ca. 3.8 respectively. These results are in agreement with those of Lissi and Heicklen¹¹⁴ for both cases, assuming a value of $\Phi_i = 2$ in the case of ozone in helium.

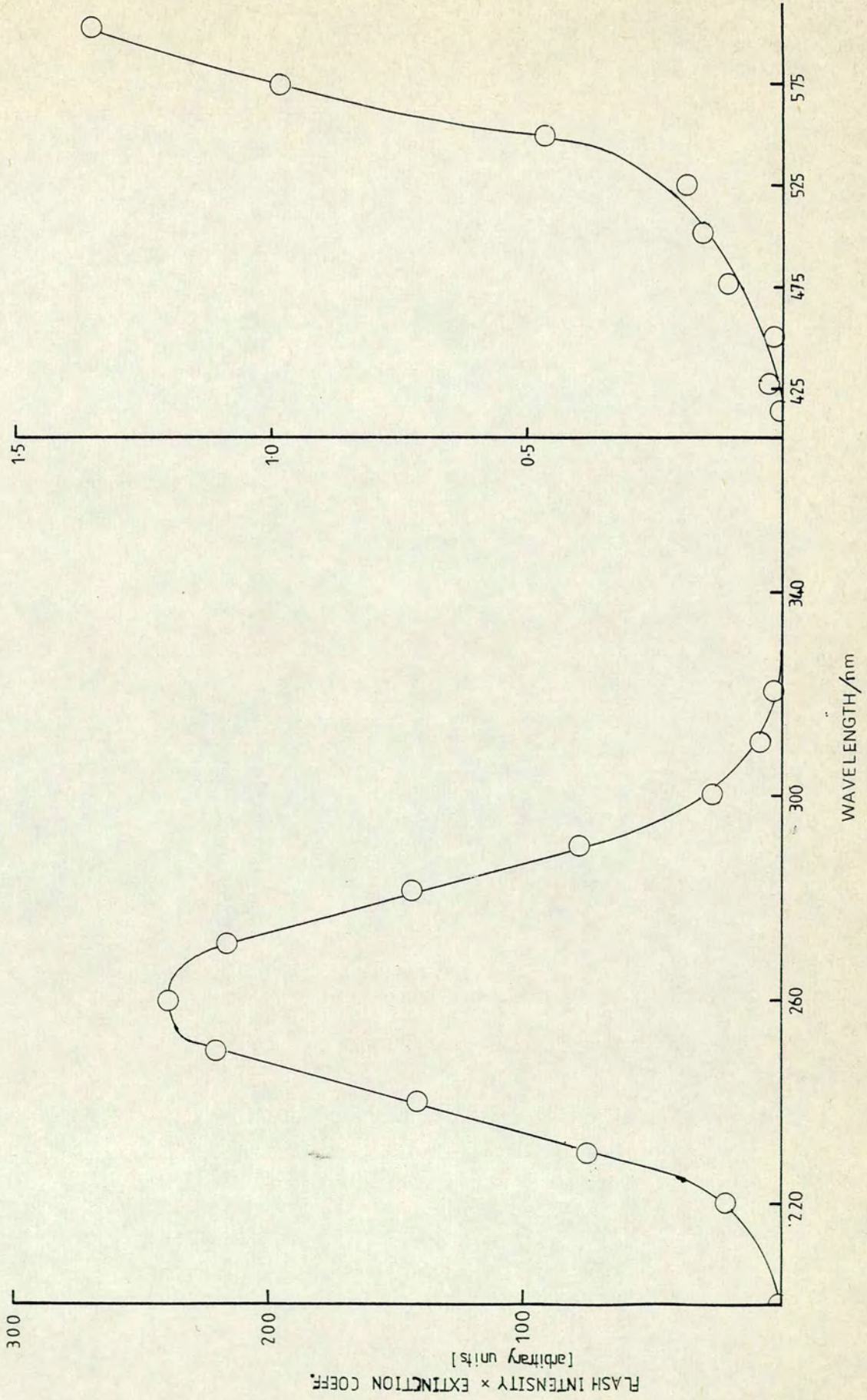


Figure 18: The intensity of absorption of the photolysis flash by ozone over the wavelength range 200-600 nm.

There appeared to be some diffusion of ozone back into the centre of the reaction vessel at longer times so that the final ozone concentration, $[O_3]_f$, was taken as the minimum in the decay curve. Such diffusion effects could be readily understood if the low heat capacity, particularly in the presence of helium was considered (Table 7). Rapid expansion of gas in the reaction zone, due to the highly exothermic nature of the processes involved, was followed by cooling at the wall of the reaction vessel and the flow of gas back into the centre.

The rate of removal of ozone under the above conditions was very rapid during the first 10 ms, due to the large increase in the temperature of the system. Thus it was very difficult to obtain an accurate extrapolation of the absorption signal. Furthermore, the lack of information concerning the Arrhenius parameters for the reactions involved, together with the difficulty of estimating the temperature rise in the system made analysis of the experimental results and their simulation very difficult.

The high heat capacity of SF_6 (Table 7) and its low efficiency as a quencher of $O(^1D)$, made it an ideal buffer gas in the study of O_3 photolysis. By varying the pressure of SF_6 in the reagent mixture over a wide range ($0-26 \text{ kNm}^{-2}$), in both the O_3/SF_6 and $O_3/N_2/SF_6$ systems, the optimum conditions were obtained under which the decay of O_3 could be analysed. The slope of each decay curve, in units of s^{-1} , was calculated at a fixed time of 2.4 ms after the flash. Figures 19 and 20 show the effect of both SF_6 and N_2 pressures on the pseudo first order rate of removal of ozone.

Table 7. Heat Capacities of various gases at 298°K

Gas	$C_p/J\ K^{-1}\ mole^{-1}$	$C_v/J\ K^{-1}\ mole^{-1}$
N ₂	29.12	20.81
O ₂	29.36	21.05
SF ₆	97.60	89.29
He	21.15	12.84

Table 8. Experimental results for the depletion of O₃ following photolysis in the presence of SF₆, SF₆ and excess N₂, SF₆ and excess O₂ (average of >15 experiments).

System	P _{O₃}	P _{O₂}	P _{N₂}	P _{SF₆}	P _{He}	Avg. intermediate O ₃ depletion %	Avg. Final % O ₃ depletion	ϕ_f/ϕ_i
O ₃ /SF ₆	26 Nm ⁻²	6.7 Nm ⁻²	-	16.4 kNm ⁻²	180 Nm ⁻²	19.9 ± 1.8	36.3 ± 2.7	1.84 ± 0.23
O ₃ /SF ₆ /N ₂	26 Nm ⁻²	6.7 Nm ⁻²	2.45 kNm ⁻²	14.0 kNm ⁻²	180 Nm ⁻²	10.5 ± 0.8	26.4 ± 1.0	2.48 ± 0.11
O ₃ /SF ₆ /O ₂	26 Nm ⁻²	2.67 kNm ⁻²	-	13.8 kNm ⁻²	180 Nm ⁻²	2.0 ± 0.8	2.0 ± 0.8	1.0 ± 0.5

errors represent 2 Standard Deviations.

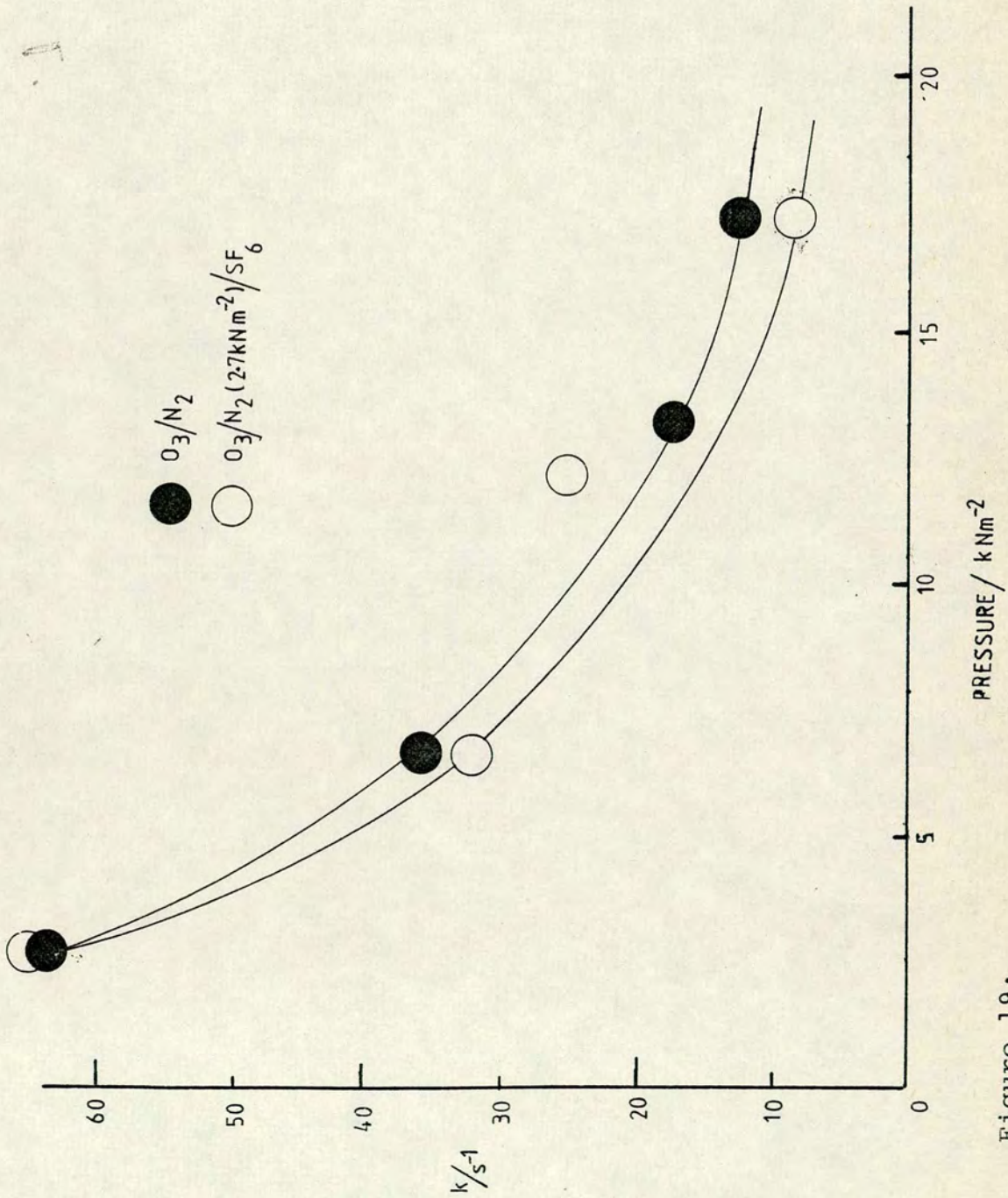


Figure 19: A plot of pseudo 1st order decay coefficient versus total pressure for the $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ systems.

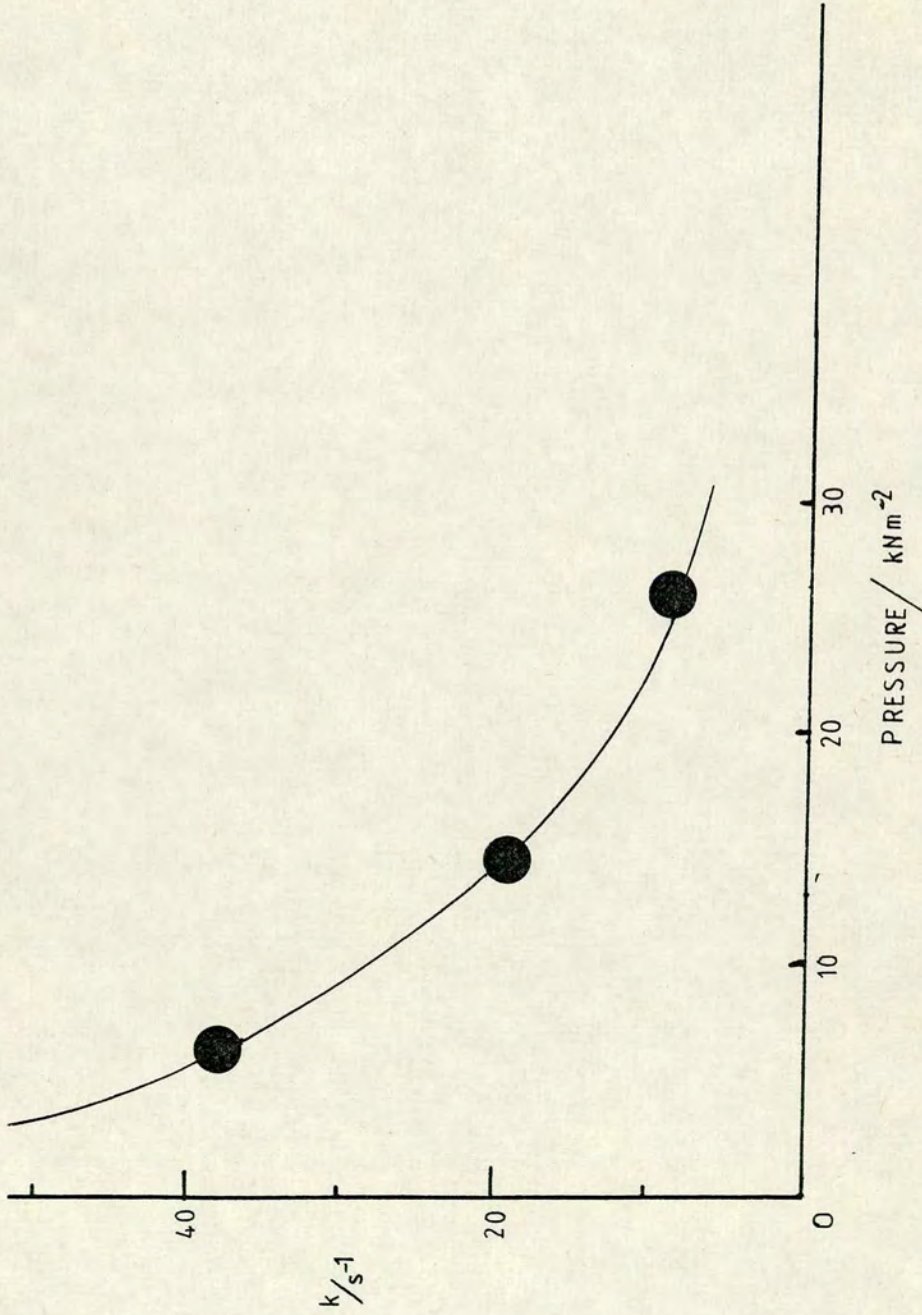


Figure 20: A plot of the pseudo 1st order decay coefficient versus total pressure for the O₃/SF₆ system.

Increasing the pressure of N_2 had a significant effect on the ozone removal rate, although the effect of SF_6 was somewhat greater, but not as large as might have been expected from the four-fold increase in heat capacity. At high pressures of SF_6 ($>13 \text{ kNm}^{-2}$) there was at least a five-fold decrease in the removal rate, compared with the result at 2.6 kNm^{-2} . A value of the O_3 removal rate, in agreement with room temperature estimates, was obtained for the $O_3/N_2/SF_6$ system, with SF_6 pressures in excess of 13 kNm^{-2} ($P_{N_2} = 2.6 \text{ kNm}^{-2}$). As a result of this investigation, all further experiments were carried out at a total pressure of 16.7 kNm^{-2} (125τ), so reducing the temperature rise in the system, while maintaining the number of experiments which could be carried out from a single mixture at a reasonable level (4-5). Although some heating still appeared to occur in the O_3/SF_6 system under these conditions, O_3 diffusion was no longer expected to be a problem.

The photolysis of O_3 (26 Nm^{-2}) was studied at high pressures of SF_6 (total pressure = 16.7 kNm^{-2}) and also in the presence of N_2 (2.6 kNm^{-2}) and O_2 (2.6 kNm^{-2}). A large number of experiments were carried out in each case and those decays where the measured initial O_3 pressure was not within 5% of the correct value (26 Nm^{-2}) were discarded. Experiments were alternated between the O_3/SF_6 and $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ systems so that the consistency of the flash lamp output could be checked. The results are shown in Table 8, with typical decays illustrated in Figure 21.

Assuming an intermediate quantum yield of unity ($\phi_i = 1.0$) in the presence of N_2 gave a value of $\phi_i = 1.90$ in pure ozone. However this assumption does not consider that quenching of

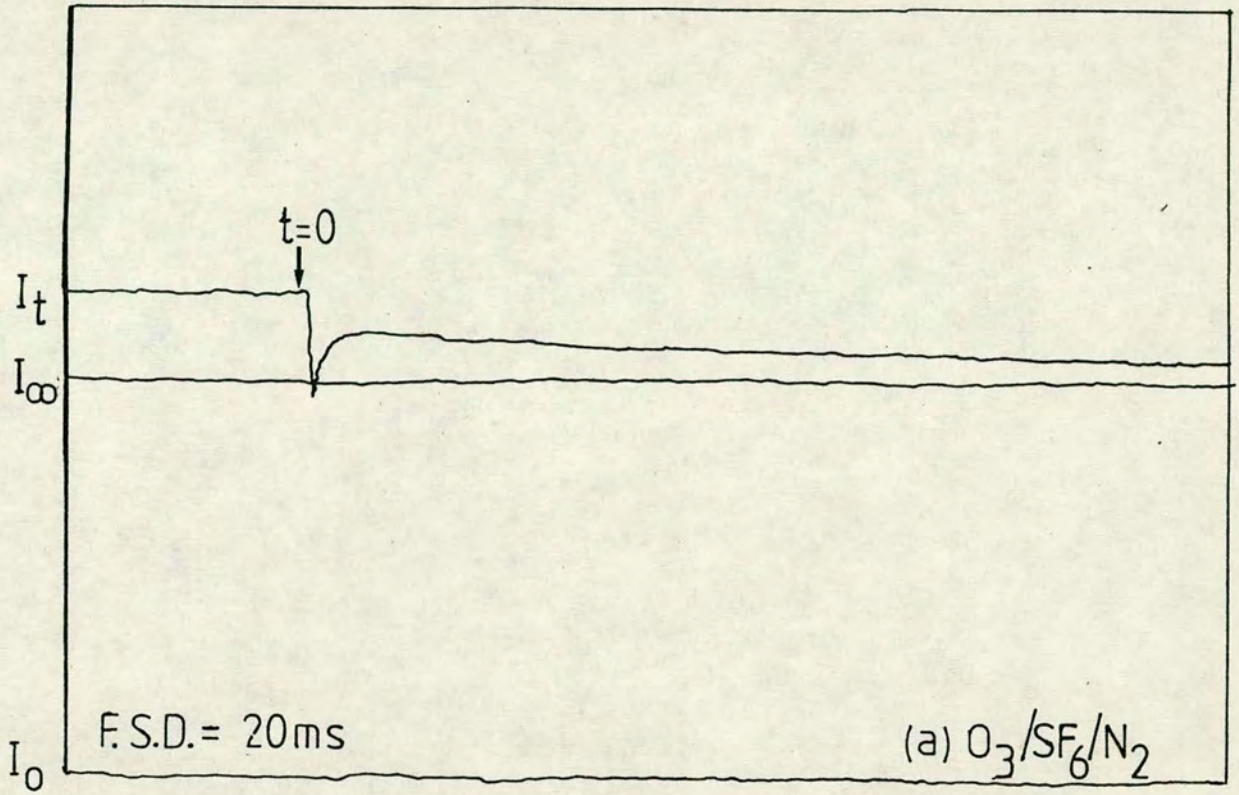
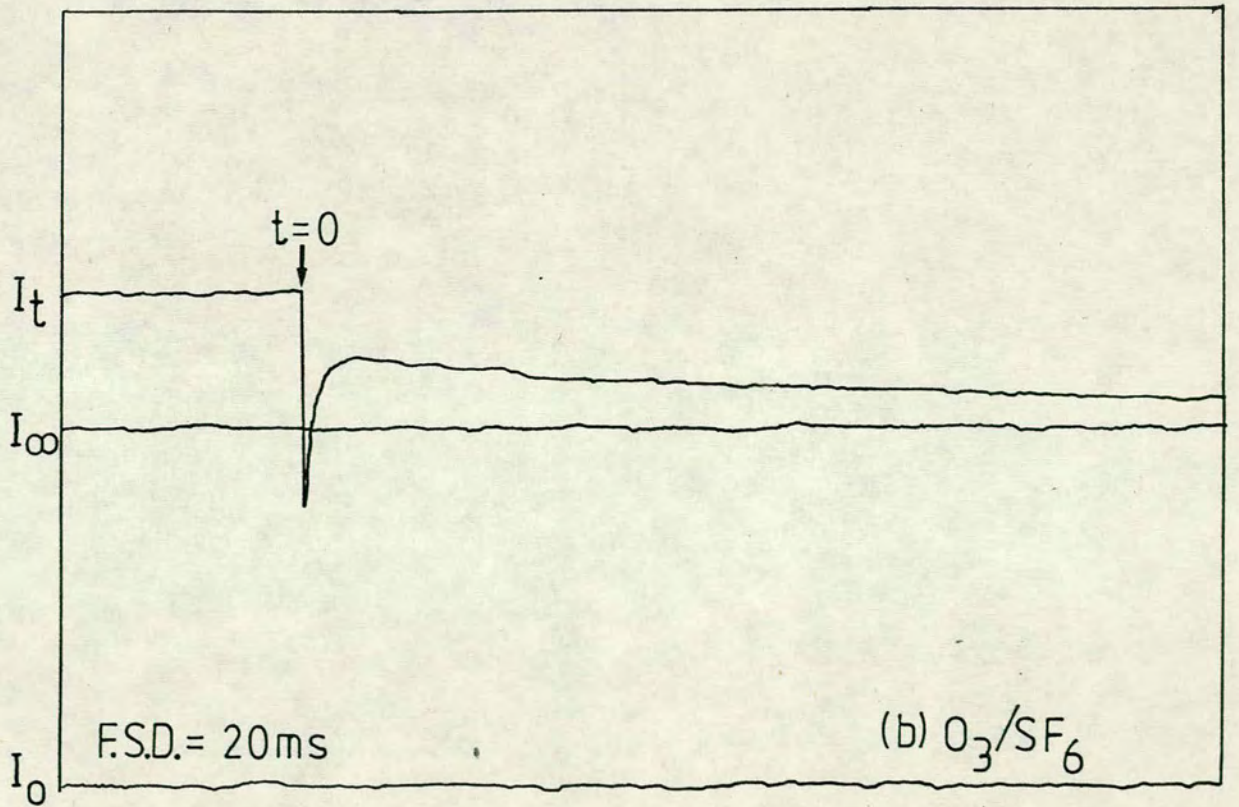
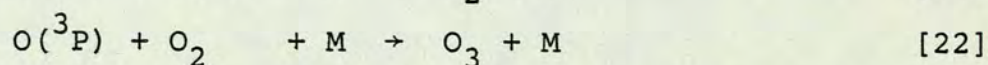
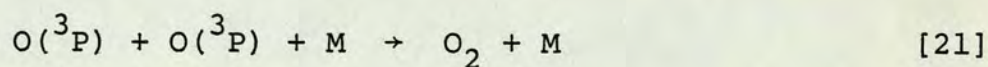


Figure 21: Typical experimental ozone decays



$O(^1D)$ by N_2 was not 100% efficient. A comparison of the relative rates of removal of $O(^1D)$ by both O_3 and N_2 (see Table 9) shows that, under the experimental conditions employed, only 95% of $O(^1D)$ produced in the primary photolysis was quenched by N_2 . Taking this into consideration, the corrected value of ϕ_i for ozone in the presence of SF_6 alone was 2.00 ± 0.23 . This value for ϕ_i supports the argument that the dominant channel, in the reaction of $O(^1D)$ atoms with O_3 , leads to the formation of two ground state $O(^3P)$ atoms [13] and not some excited form of O_2 [7]. It also suggests $< 10\%$ $O(^3P)$ production from ozone photolysis at wavelengths shorter than 300 nm, in support of the results of Lawrence et al.¹¹⁶

Taking an intermediate quantum yield of 2.0 for ozone removal in the presence of SF_6 (total pressure = 16.7 kNm^{-2}), as calculated above, the final quantum yield, ϕ_f , was in this case 3.66 ± 0.46 compared with 2.48 ± 0.11 in the presence of SF_6 and N_2 (2.6 kNm^{-2}). These values are much less than in the previous low pressure experiments, suggesting that SF_6 has a significant effect on the rate of secondary processes, where it is an effective third body under high pressure conditions [21], [22].



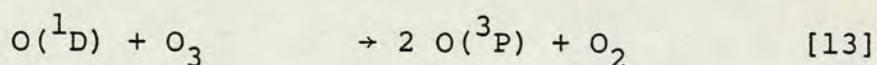
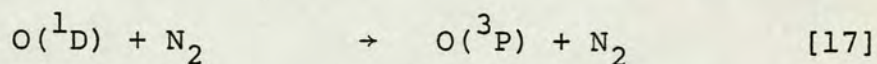
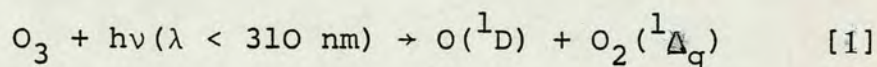
From these results, it can be seen that any computer model of O_3 photolysis, apart from considering the basic primary and secondary processes leading to the destruction of ozone, must take account of third body recombination reactions leading to the formation of ozone and the removal of reactive species such as $O(^3P)$.

4.03 Computer Modelling Studies

The chemical simulation package, 'CHEK', developed by Curtis and Chance,¹²⁹ together with several additional sub-routines, was used to model the primary and secondary reactions involved in the photolysis of ozone. Appendix 3 contains a full description of the program and its applications.

For the simulation to be successful, it must generate a reliable flash intensity profile as well as providing a good fit to the experimental decay curve and the measured values of ϕ_i and ϕ_f . It was found that the simulated flash profile, outlined in Appendix 3, predicted correctly the initial percentage depletion for O_3 photolysis in the presence of N_2 . When incomplete quenching of $O(^1D)$ was taken into consideration, the agreement obtained was within 0.02% of the experimental value.

Assuming that $O(^1D)$ atoms react with O_3 to produce two oxygen atoms and an oxygen molecule in their respective ground states, the following scheme was used to predict values of ϕ_i for both the O_3/SF_6 and $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ systems.



The various reactions considered in this system, together with literature values of rate constants, are listed in Table 9. The actual values used in the model are marked (*). Using a flash profile which gave 9.98% photolysis of ozone, the intermediate depletion in the presence of N_2 and SF_6 was 10.3(5)% whereas in the absence of N_2 , the value was found to be 18.8(5)%.

Table 9: Reactions considered in the simulation of ozone photolysis together with literature values of rate constants

Reaction no.	Reaction	Rate/ cm ³ molec ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Method	Author	Ref.
[13]	$O(^1D) + O_3 \rightarrow$	2.7×10^{-10}	FP-KS	Husain	130*
[17]	$O(^1D) + N_2 \rightarrow O(^3P) + N_2$	$5.3 + 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$ 5.4×10^{-11}	eval. eval.	Cvetanovic Cvetanovic	131 131*
[23]	$O(^1D) + O_2 \rightarrow O(^3P) + O_2(^1\Sigma)$	6.9×10^{-11} $2.0 \times 10^{-11} \exp(\frac{107}{T})$ 7.4×10^{-11}	FP-KS FP-CL eval.	Husain Streit Cvetanovic	130 132 131*
[27] [†]	$O(^1D) + He \rightarrow O(^3P) + He$	7.0×10^{-11} $2.9 \times 10^{-11} \exp(\frac{67}{T})$ $< 7 \times 10^{-16}$	FP-KS FP-CL	Husain Streit	130 132
[24]	$O_2(^1\Sigma) + O_3 \rightarrow 2O_2 + O(^3P)$	2.3×10^{-11}	FP-KS	Snelling	134
[27]	$O_2(^1\Sigma) + O_2 \rightarrow O_2(^1\Delta) + O_2$	1.4×10^{-16}	eval.	Demerijian	135
[9]	$O_2(^1\Delta) + O_3 \rightarrow 2O_2 + O(^3P)$	$4.5 \times 10^{-18} \exp(\frac{5600}{RT})$ 4.03×10^{-15}	eval. FP-KS	Schofield Donovan	136* 137

Table 9: (contd.)

Reaction no.	Reaction	Rate/ cm ³ molec ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Method	Author	Ref.
[26] [†]	$O_2(^1\Delta) + O_2 \rightarrow O_2 + O_2$	2.0×10^{-18}	eval.	Demerijian	135
		1.7×10^{-18}	KS	Becker et al	94*
[25] [†]	$O_2(^1\Delta) + O_2(^1\Delta) \rightarrow O_2 + O_2(^1\Sigma)$	2.0×10^{-18}		Schofield	138
		2.0×10^{-18}	CL	Heustis	91*
[10] [†]	$O(^3P) + O_3 \rightarrow O_2 + O_2$	1.3×10^{-14}	FP-KS	Husain	139
		9.6×10^{-15}	FP-KS	Davis	140
		$1.9 \times 10^{-11} \exp\left(\frac{4600}{RT}\right)$	eval.	Hampson	115*
[21]	$O(^3P) + O(^3P) + M \rightarrow O_2 + M$	Rate/ cm ⁶ molec ⁻² s ⁻¹			
(a) [†]	M = O ₂	48×10^{-34}			141*
		72×10^{-34}		Johnston	142
(b) [†]	M = N ₂	28×10^{-34}	DF	Morgan	143
		48×10^{-34}	DF	Campbell	144*
(c) [†]	M = He	9×10^{-34}	DF	Morgan	143
(d)	M = SF ₆	84×10^{-34}	DF	Morgan	143*
[22]	$O(^3P) + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M$				

Table 9: (contd.)

Reaction no.	Reaction	Rate/ cm ³ molec ⁻⁶ s ⁻²	Method	Author	Ref.
[22]		87x10 ⁻³⁵	TD-DF	Mulcahy	146
(a) [†]	M = O ₂	50x10 ⁻³⁵	FP	Snelling	134
(b) [†]	M = He	65x10 ⁻³⁵	DF	Kaufman	147*
(c) [†]	M = N ₂	32.3x10 ⁻³⁵	TD	Benson	145
		40x10 ⁻³⁵	DF	Kaufman	147*
		33.7x10 ⁻³⁵	TD	Benson	145
		61x10 ⁻³⁵		Huie	148
		56x10 ⁻³⁵	DF	Kaufman	147
(d)	M = SF ₆	34x10 ⁻³⁴	DF	Kaufman	147

Notation:

* preferred rate constant

† can be omitted from model without any significant effect

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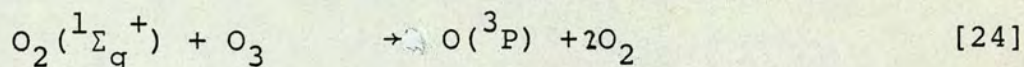
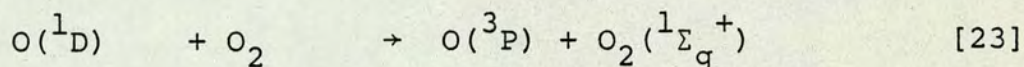
DF discharge flow

FP flash photolysis

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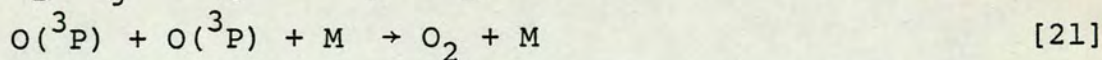
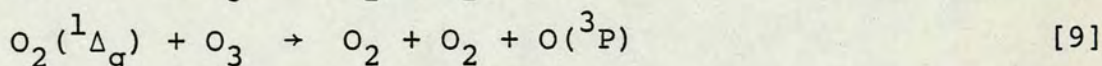
TD thermal decomposition

in good agreement with the experimental values. However, in this scheme, the presence of oxygen impurities has also to be considered.

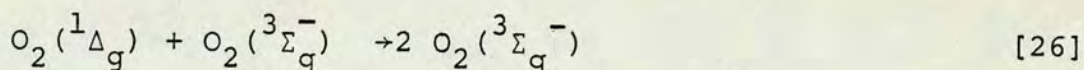
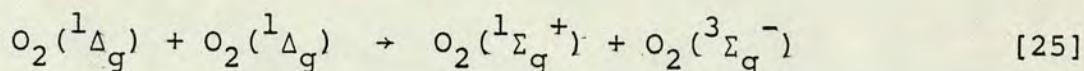


As the major source of O_2 was impurity in O_3 (80% pure), the low concentration of this species could only account for a maximum of 10% of the total $O(^1D)$ removal. If the fraction, α , of $O(^1D)$ giving $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$ is unity, the effect on ϕ_i should be negligible. If, however, α approaches zero, the experimental value of ϕ_i should be nearer 1.9. The present experimental results suggest that α is closer to unity than zero in agreement with the prediction of Young and Black.¹²⁶ However, the low concentrations of oxygen present in these systems prevented the determination of an accurate value of α .

Reaction considered to be of importance in the 'slow' secondary decay of ozone are as follows:-



Other $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ removal processes, [25,26] were unimportant, being very slow, and accounted/less than 1% of the removal of this species.



The total ozone removal by these 'slow' processes depends on the relative importance of direct removal processes, [9] and [10], and recombination reactions which remove $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$, [21] and [22]. The latter process [22], leads to the production of O_3 , and was important in the final stages of the reaction.

Arrhenius parameters are known for the removal of ozone by both $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ ¹⁴¹ and $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ ¹³⁶, and the temperature of the reaction system would appear to have an appreciable effect on the rate of these processes. Little is known about $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ recombination in the presence of SF_6 ,¹⁵⁰ although rate constants for reactions [21] and [22] are available, with N_2 , O_2 and He as the third body. Since SF_6 was the dominant third body in this work and was expected to be more efficient than O_2 or N_2 , some revision of the available literature values for k_{21} and k_{22} was necessary.

The effect of temperature on the rate of processes [9] and [10], for the $\text{O}_3/\text{SF}_6/\text{N}_2$ system, is shown in Table 10. The model predicted that the heat released by the 'fast' primary reactions should have a significant effect on the final quantum yield, ϕ_f . Simulated ozone decays over the temperature range 298-315°K are shown in Figure 22. The best fit occurred for a temperature of 310°K.

Although a good fit obtained for the first 8 ms of the decay (Figure 22a), there was still considerable divergence between the computed and experimental values of the final % O_3 depletion. The results shown in Table 10 were calculated using

Table 10: The effect of temperature on the value of ϕ_f for the $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ system over the range 298-315°K. ϕ_f has been corrected to allow for quenching of $O(^1D)$ by nitrogen.

Temp./ °K	$k_{10}/$ $10^{15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$k_9/$ $10^{15} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Intermediate % O_3 depletion	Final % O_3 depletion	ϕ_f
298	8.40	3.40	10.3(4)	29.0(4)	2.85
305	9.60	4.37	10.3(5)	29.9(4)	2.93
310	10.9	5.07	10.3(6)	30.6(6)	3.01
315	12.2	5.85	10.3(7)	31.3(7)	3.07

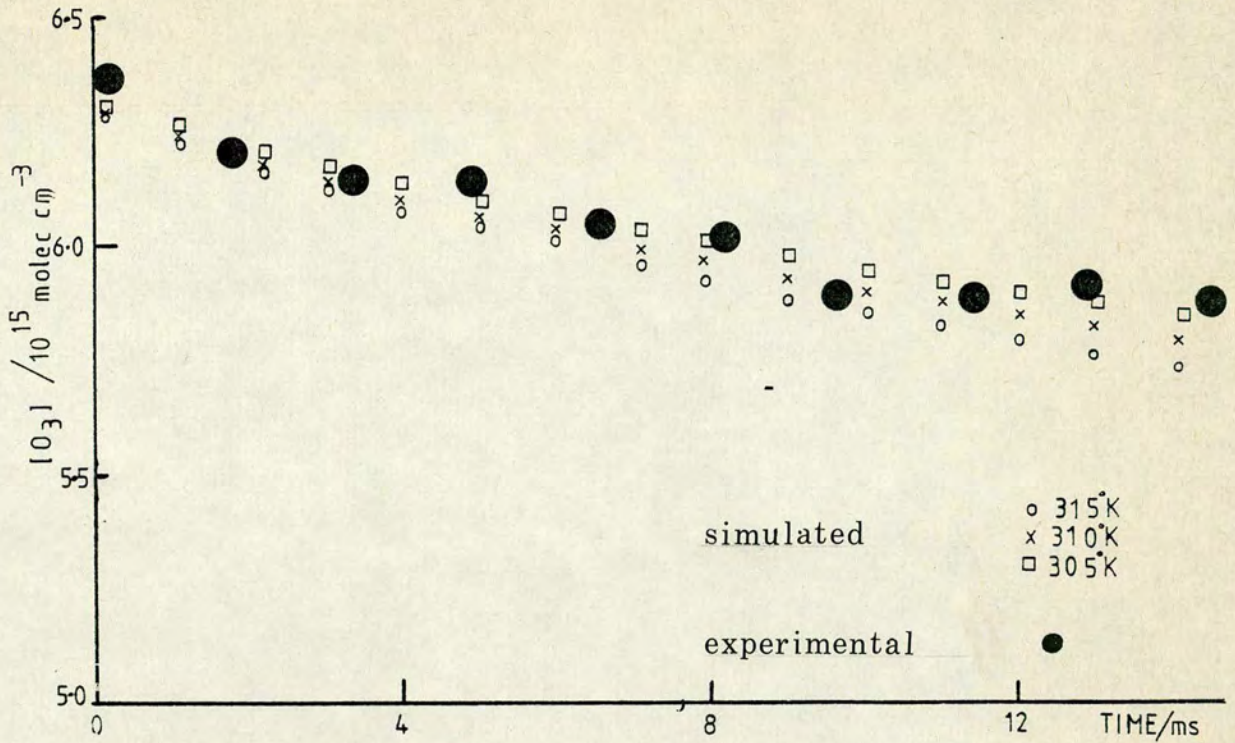


Figure 22(a): The effect of temperature on the simulated ozone decay in the $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ system.

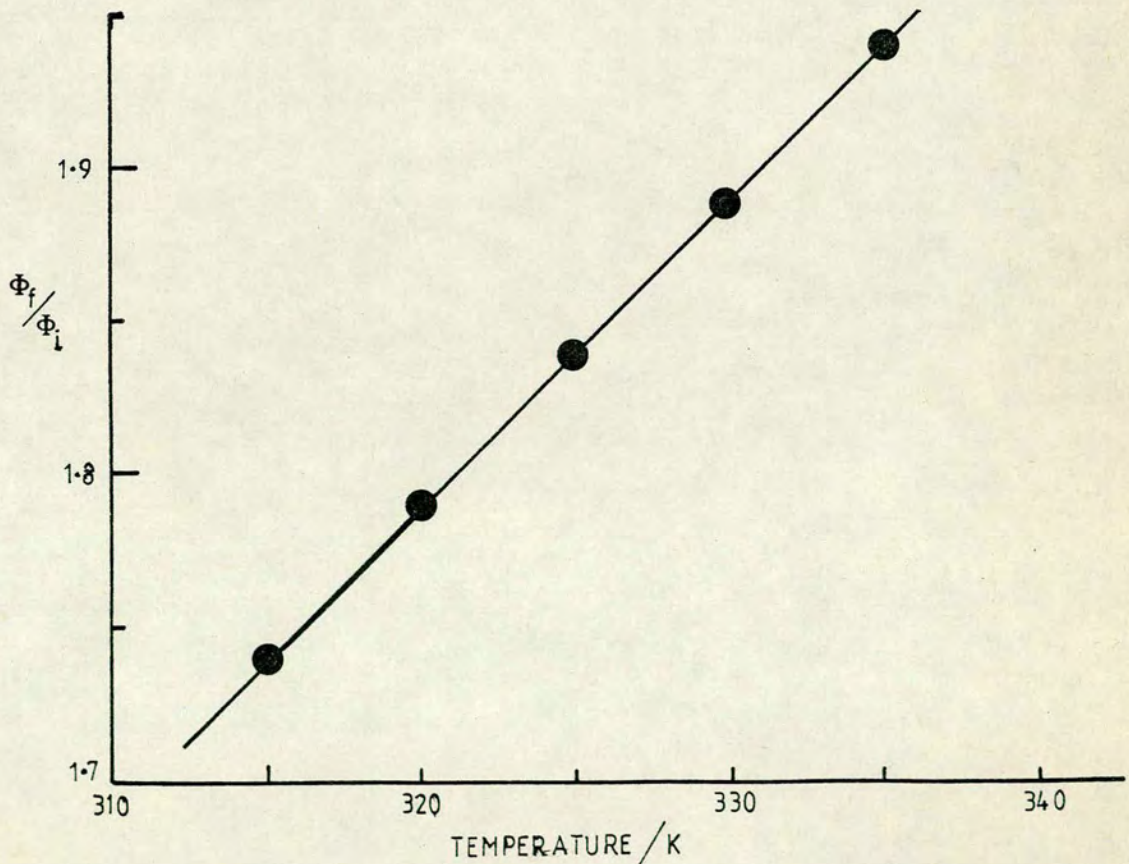


Figure 22(b): A plot of ϕ_f/ϕ_i versus temperature for the O_3/SF_6 system.

the literature rate constants for processes [21] and [22], where $M = \text{SF}_6$. Since the rate of [21] depends on the square of the $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ concentration, it was important only in the early stages of the decay, whereas the rate of process [22] depends on the O_2 concentration, which was greatest in the final stages of the reaction. Figure 23 shows the effect of varying both k_{21} and k_{22} on ϕ_f for the $\text{O}_3/\text{SF}_6/\text{N}_2$ system. The greatest effect occurred on varying k_{22} , since the O_2 concentration was very much higher than that of $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$. Agreement between the experimental and simulated values of ϕ_f for O_3 photolysis in the presence of N_2 was obtained for values of k_{21} and k_{22} ($M = \text{SF}_6$) as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned} k_{21} &= 8.4 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ molec}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \\ k_{22} &= 2.5 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ molec}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Figure 24(a) shows the final simulated and experimental decays.

On taking the model presented above for the $\text{O}_3/\text{SF}_6/\text{N}_2$ system as a basis for the O_3/SF_6 model, the only adjustable parameter which remained was temperature. A fit to the experimental decay was obtained by varying k_9 and k_{10} , using the Arrhenius parameters measured by Schofield¹³⁶ and Hampson.¹⁴¹ Figure 22b shows the effect of temperature on ϕ_f over the range 315-335°K. A good overall fit was obtained for a temperature of between 325-330°K. A plot of the experimental decay together with the best simulated fit is shown in Figure 24(b).

When a subroutine (PATCH 1) was added to the 'CHEK' program, employing the Beer-Lambert Law to convert the simulated O_3 concentrations into transmitted light intensities, I_t , the simulated and experimentally observed decays could be directly compared for both the $\text{O}_3/\text{SF}_6/\text{N}_2$ and O_3/SF_6 systems.

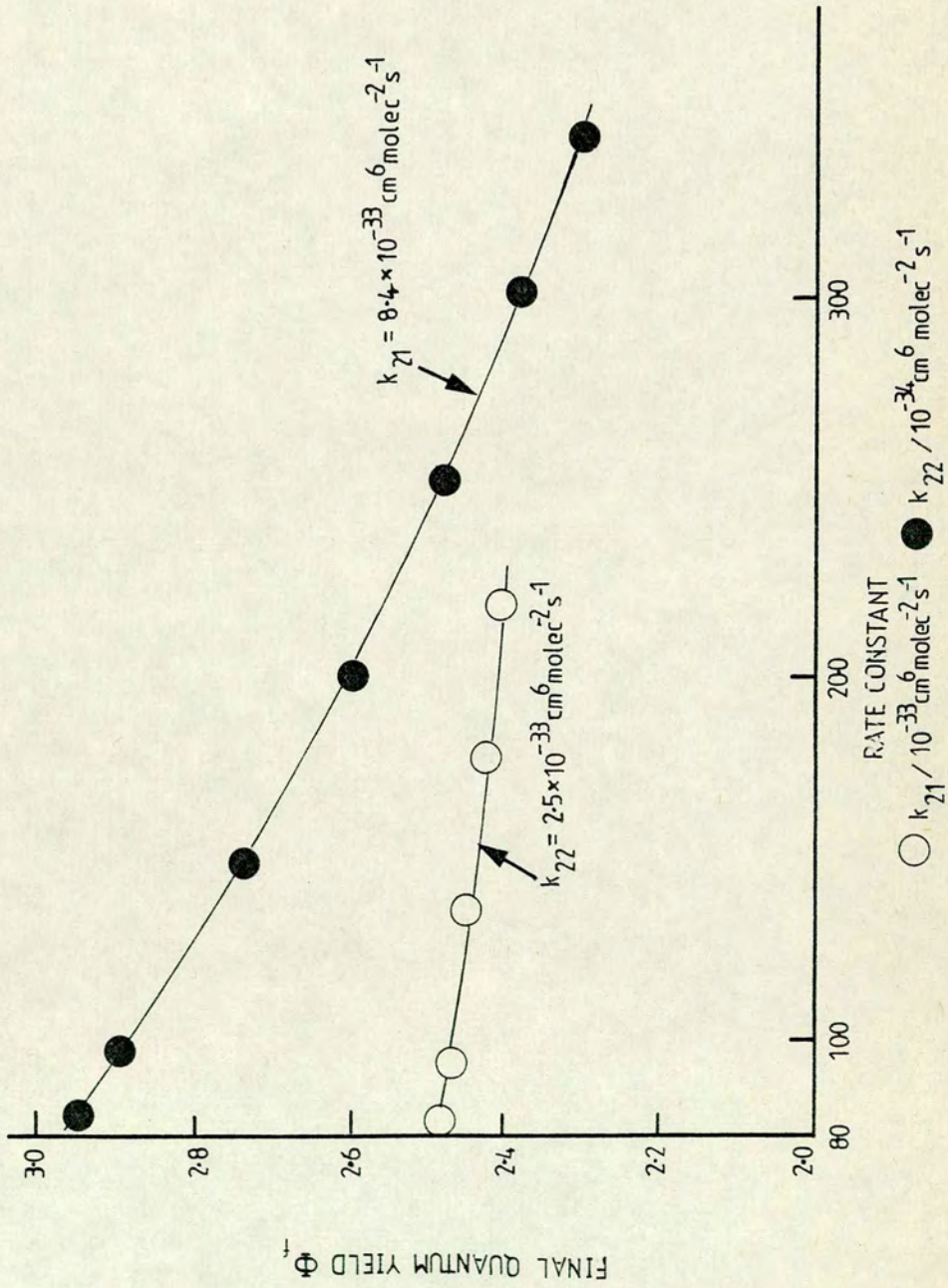


Figure 23: The effect on Φ_f of varying k_{21} and k_{22} for the $\text{O}_3/\text{SF}_6/\text{N}_2$ system.

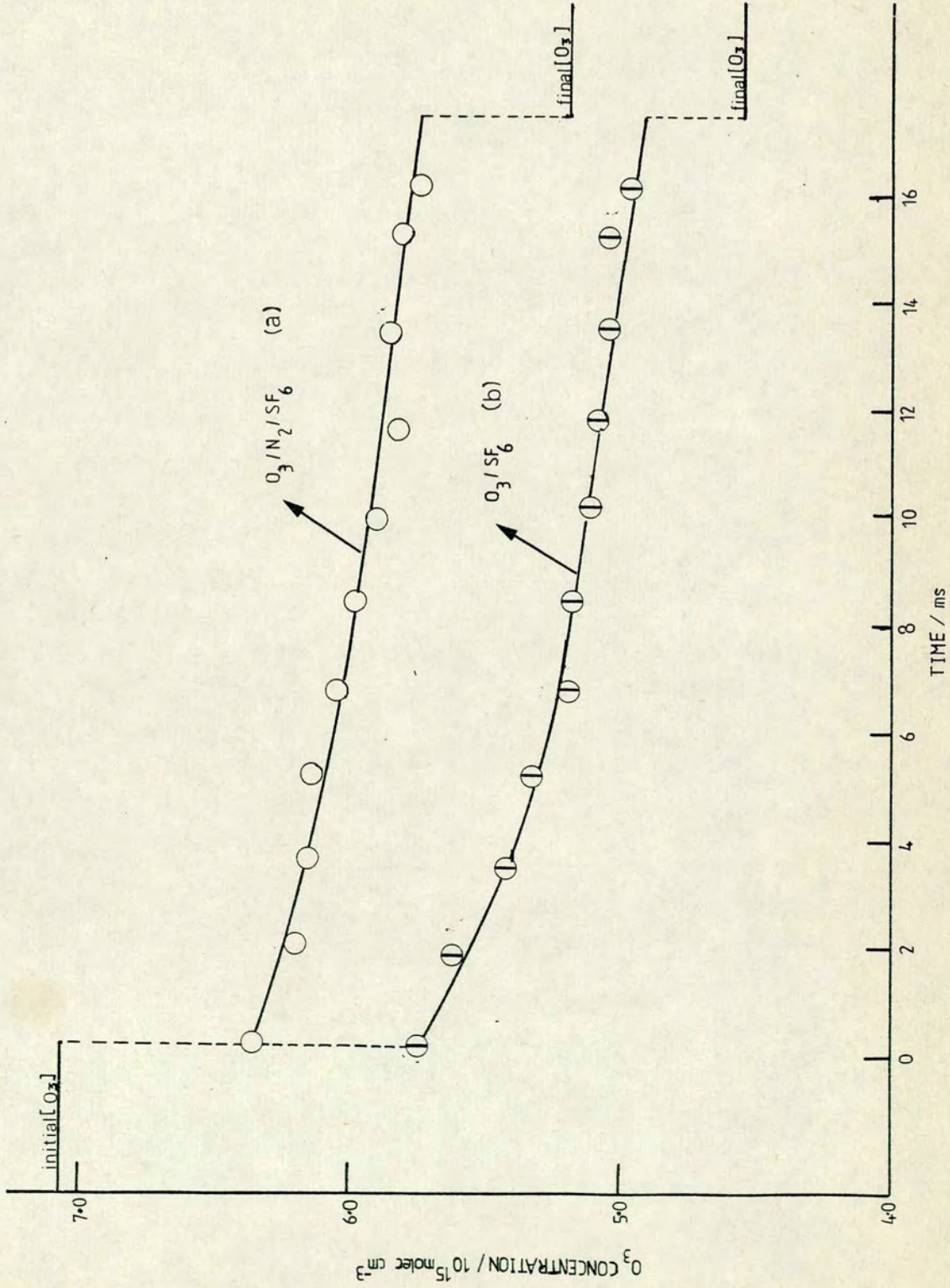


Figure 24: The best computer simulated fits (solid lines) for the removal of O₃ in the O₃/N₂/SF₆ and O₃/SF₆ systems - experimental decays are represented by ○, ○.

On photolysing ozone in the presence of a 100 fold excess of oxygen, it was found that very little depletion occurred, and that this was limited entirely to the early stages of reaction (Table 8). Every O_3 molecule removed, either by photolysis or reaction, eventually resulted in the formation of an $O(^3P)$ atom, which recombined with O_2 in the presence of a third body to form another O_3 molecule. However, during the flash, when the $O(^3P)$ atom concentration was highest, some recombination of oxygen atoms to form O_2 occurred and it was this process which ultimately accounted for the observed depletion of ozone. The simulation model previously described gave a reasonable fit when applied to the $O_3/O_2/SF_6$ system, although the comparison with experimental results was more difficult, in this instance, because of the error involved in measuring such a small ozone depletion.

An estimate of the temperature rise in the various systems studied could be made by measuring the slope of the experimental decay curves at a fixed time of 2.4 ms after the flash. Pseudo first order rates for ozone removal calculated over a wide range of temperatures compared most favourably with the observed rates when the temperature agreed with the simulated value.

Furthermore, an attempt was made to calculate the expected temperature rise in the O_3/SF_6 and $O_3/SF_6/N_2$ systems, also at a time of 2.4 ms after the photolysis flash. Heat capacities of the various gases and relevant heats of reaction are listed in Tables 7 and 11 respectively.

For 2.6 kNm^{-2} of N_2 (20τ) in 14 kNm^{-2} of SF_6 (105τ) a rise in temperature of 1°K is equivalent to a heat release of ca. 48 kJ mole^{-1} . At 2.4 ms after the flash the calculated heat

Table 11: Heats of reaction (ΔH°_{298}) at 298^oK

Reaction	$\Delta H^\circ_{298}/\text{kJ mole}^{-1}$
[17] $\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{N}_2$	-190
[13] $\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_2$	-82
[10] $\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{O}_2$	-392
[22] $\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{O}_3 + \text{M}$	-195
[21] $\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{M}$	-498
[9] $\text{O}_2({}^1\Delta_g) + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2 + \text{O}({}^3\text{P})$	12.1
[1] $\text{O}_3 + h\nu_{260\text{nm}} \rightarrow \text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_2({}^1\Delta_g)$	-74

release of ca. 380 kJ mole^{-1} suggests that the temperature rise in the system was ca. 8°K . This is incompatible with the temperature of 310°K , derived from the computer simulation of the observed decay. Together with the evidence presented in Figure 19, this suggests that the available heat capacity of SF_6 was not as high as the literature value, and that this molecule was only slightly more efficient than N_2 as a buffer gas. Assuming a 17°K temperature rise, the effective heat capacity of SF_6 can be estimated as $38 \pm 5 \text{ J mole}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$.

For the photolysis of ozone in SF_6 (16.7 kNm^{-2}), the calculated heat release at 2.4 ms was ca. 680 kJ mole^{-1} . Assuming the corrected value for the effective heat capacity of SF_6 , a temperature rise of $29 \pm 4^\circ\text{K}$ would be expected, which compares favourably with that determined by modelling this system.

Thus from the above energy calculations, the high temperature rise observed in both these systems can be explained in terms of an apparent deviation from the accepted heat capacity of SF_6 . Alternatively, it may be possible to account for the fast removal of ozone by the formation, in a non thermal equilibrium, of vibrationally excited O_3 or $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$.

Table 12 summarises the experimental and computed results obtained for the various ozone systems. A number of the reactions originally included in the simulation model could be eliminated, without any significant effect ($< 1.0\%$) on the simulated results and these are marked (+) in Table 9.

Table 12: Summary of experimental and computer simulated results for O₃ photolysis

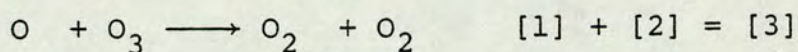
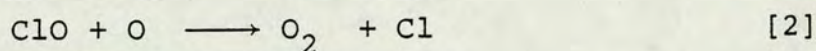
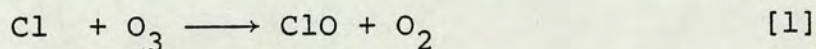
System (Temperature)	Experimental Result				Φ _f	Simulated Result			
	% O ₃ depletion		Φ _i (corrected)	Φ _i		% O ₃ depletion		Φ _f	
	intermed.	final				intermed.	final		
O ₃ /SF ₆ (325°K)	19.9	36.3	2.0	2.0	3.66	18.8	35.5	2.0	3.63
	+ 1.8	+ 2.7	+0.23		+0.46				
O ₃ /SF ₆ /N ₂ (310°K)	10.5	26.4	1.0	1.0	2.66	10.3	25.8	1.0	2.64
	+ 0.8	+ 1.0			+0.10				
O ₃ /SF ₆ /O ₂ (300°K)	2.0	2.0	0.20	0.20	0.20	1.1	1.1	0.11	0.11
	+ 0.8	+ 0.8	+0.08	+0.08	+0.08				

Chapter 5

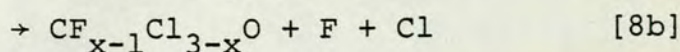
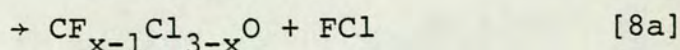
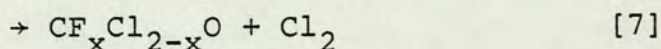
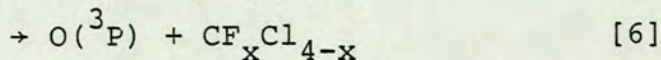
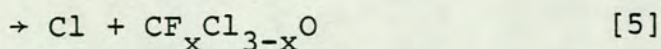
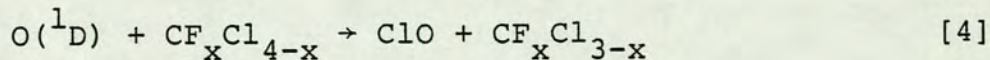
The Reaction of O(2^1D_2) Atoms with
Chlorofluoromethanes

5.01 Introduction

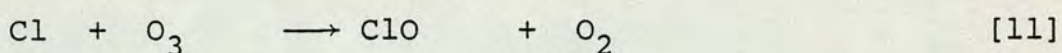
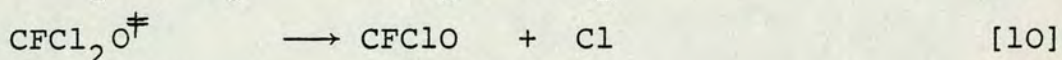
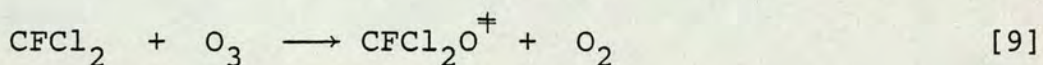
In 1974 Rowland and Molina¹⁵⁰ developed a theory concerning the adverse impact of chlorofluoromethanes (CFM) on the earth's ozone shield. There are detectable concentrations of these molecules in the atmosphere,¹⁵¹ particularly CCl_3F (Freon-11) and CF_2Cl_2 (Freon-12). CFMs are inert in the troposphere and are transported into the stratosphere, where photodissociation in the atmospheric window between about 190-210 nm produces free chlorine atoms. This could eventually lead to a depletion of ozone in the upper atmosphere by way of the ClO_x cycle



Thus there is much current interest in the primary and secondary processes which occur when ozone is photolysed in the presence of CFMs. The reaction of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$ with Freons 11-13 is known to give rise to ClO radicals,¹⁵² thus providing a means of direct entry into the ClO_x cycle. A number of other channels have been proposed for the reaction of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$ with molecules of the type $\text{CF}_x\text{Cl}_{4-x}$.¹⁵³



Apart from the rapid primary formation of ClO [6], Donovan et al.¹⁵² also observed the secondary release of ClO in systems containing CF₂Cl₂ and CFCl₃. This secondary formation of ClO involves reaction or reactions of the methyl fragment. The mass spectroscopic observation of CFCLO and FCl¹⁵⁴ following photolysis of CFCl₃/O₃ mixtures, provides direct evidence for channel [8]. Thus secondary formation of ClO might be explained by the reactions



(where \ddagger denotes vibrational excitation).

Indirect evidence suggests that channel [5] accounts for no more than 20% of the total reaction cross section, even though it is more exothermic than channel [4] by ca. 200 kJ mole⁻¹.

(For CF₃Cl, ΔH_{298}° [5] \approx -293 kJ mole⁻¹ whereas ΔH_{298}° [4] = -98 kJ mole⁻¹). Various workers have shown that quenching of O(¹D) by Freons 12 and 13 is negligible [6].¹⁵⁵

End product analysis has produced evidence for the formation of CF₂O following photolysis of O₃ in the presence of CF₂Cl₂ [7].¹⁵⁴ Pitts et al.¹⁵⁵ proposed reactions [8a] and [7] as respective major channels for Freons 12 and 13. It is also thermodynamically possible that halogen atoms may be produced directly via channel [8b] in the case of CF₃Cl.¹⁵⁸

Absolute rate constants for the reaction of O(¹D) with the most common CFMs have been determined by Fletcher and Husain, using atomic absorption spectroscopy in the vacuum ultraviolet.^{156a}

These authors report two sets of absolute values depending on which value of γ is selected in the modified Beer-Lambert expression $I = I_0 \exp[-\epsilon(Cl)^\gamma]$, used to interpret their resonance absorption measurements. The use of $\gamma = 0.41$ is preferred by Fletcher and Husain^{156a}, but more recent work by Davidson et al. is only in agreement if $\gamma = 1$, and there are theoretical reasons for favouring this choice.^{156b}

The work presented here was undertaken in order to obtain a more detailed understanding of the primary and secondary processes which take place in photochemically initiated reactions between O_3 and the chlorofluoromethanes.

5.02 Results and Discussion

Reaction mixtures containing 26 Nm^{-2} of O_3 (0.2τ) and 2.4 kNm^{-2} of CF_3Cl , CF_2Cl_2 and $CFCl_3$ (18τ) were made up to a total pressure of 16.6 kNm^{-2} (125τ) with SF_6 . Ozone was monitored in absorption using the method described previously in section 2.05. The amount of ozone removed was determined by flashing mixtures of O_3 in the presence of N_2 and SF_6 . This had the added advantage of checking the stability of the experimental conditions. Absorption cross sections have been determined for Freons 11-13.¹⁶⁷ From these measurements it was determined that the extent of photolysis of $CFCl_3$, CF_2Cl_2 and CF_3Cl was $< 5\%$, 0.02% and 0.0% respectively, and only in the case of Freon 11 was the release of free chlorine atoms of importance. Intermediate and final ozone depletions for freons 11-13 are presented in Table 13.

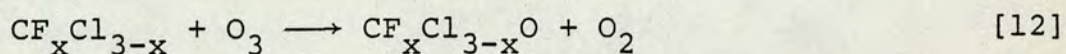
Table 13: Experimental O₃ depletions for various Freon/Ozone systems, measured at room temperature (293^oK).

CFM	concentration (Molecule cm ⁻³)	Intermediate % depletion	Final % depletion	Φ _i	Φ _f
CF ₃ Cl	O ₃ 7.08 x 10 ¹⁵	15.3	22.7	1.9	2.8
	SF ₆ 3.72 x 10 ¹⁸	±	±	±	±
	CF ₃ Cl 6.37 x 10 ¹⁷	0.9	1.4	0.2	0.2
CF ₂ Cl ₂	O ₃ 7.08 x 10 ¹⁵	14.5	35.0	1.8	4.4
	SF ₆ 3.72 x 10 ¹⁸	±	±	±	±
	CF ₂ Cl ₂ 6.37 x 10 ¹⁷	0.8	1.6	0.1	0.3
CFCl ₃ *	O ₃ 7.08 x 10 ¹⁵	17.0	44.0	2.1	5.5
	SF ₆ 3.72 x 10 ¹⁸	±	±	±	±
	CF ₂ Cl ₂ 6.37 x 10 ¹⁷	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.3

*some photolysis of CFCl₃ (<5%) occurs in this system.

The corrected % O₃ photolysis was 8.0 ± 0.4%, determined using the O₃/SF₆/N₂ system.

It is immediately apparent from these results that the number of chlorine atoms in the CFM had a significant effect on the final ozone depletion, and on removal by secondary reactions in particular. The intermediate depletion was the same, within experimental error, for the three molecules studied, with almost as much ozone being removed by reaction as by photolysis. Since less than 1% of $O(^1D)$ produced by the flash reacts with O_3 , this removal must be due to reaction either with methyl fragments [12] or with free halogen atoms [1]



For Freons 11 and 12, the alkoxy radicals decompose to release free chlorine atoms into the system, thus accounting for the higher values of ϕ_f observed in the presence of these CFMs. In the case of Freon 13, the chemistry is clearly different. Here, the release of a fluorine atom is the only possible decomposition route.

5.03 Computer Simulation

The model already presented for the photolysis of O_3 in the presence of SF_6 was used as the basis from which the CF_3Cl/O_3 and CF_2Cl_2/O_3 systems could be investigated.

CF_3Cl/O_3 system.

The reactions which were included in the CF_3Cl/O_3 model are listed in Table 14, together with the most accurate rate constants available in the current literature. The suggested channels for the reaction of $O(^1D)$ with CFMs [4-8] are of fundamental importance, as are the reactions of methyl radicals and the ClO_x cycle chain termination processes.

TABLE 14

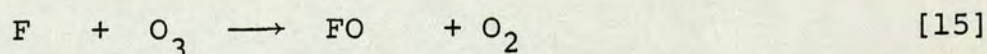
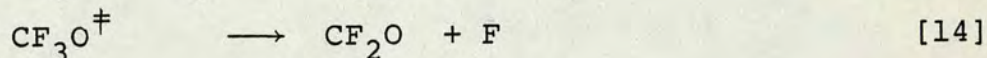
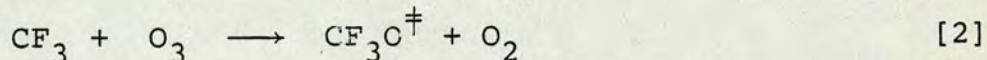
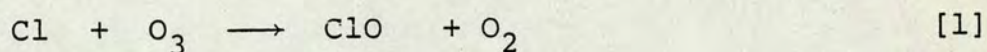
SIMULATION OF THE PHOTOLYSIS OF OZONE IN PRESENCE OF CF3CL.
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	O2(SD) + SF6 = O2 + SF6	1.11E-15	<136>
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A number of models were tried, using previous estimates of branching ratios to begin with.^{153,155} Only the final and most satisfactory model will be discussed in detail here. All calculations were based on a temperature of 298°K.

Branching ratios determined by Garraway and Donovan¹⁵⁸ were used to obtain a fit to the experimental intermediate ozone depletion. $O(^1D)$ reacts with CF_3Cl via channels 4, 8a, 8b with branching ratios of 65%, 25% and 10% respectively. CF_3 radicals produced in reaction [4] were assumed to react rapidly with O_3 [12], although some recombination to form C_2F_6 may have occurred.¹⁵⁹

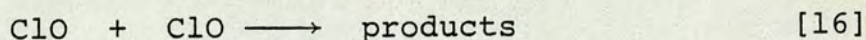


Fluorine atoms produced via channel [8b] remove O_3 to form FO [15]. Although no direct evidence of the production of FO in the CF_3Cl/O_3 system has been produced, it has been detected mass spectrometrically in the CF_3Br/O_3 system.¹⁶⁰ In the former case it was impossible to distinguish between the FO and Cl m/e peaks, but it seems reasonable to assume that FO was indeed produced. It was not necessary to include the release of fluorine atoms by decomposition of CF_3O [14].

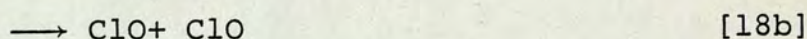
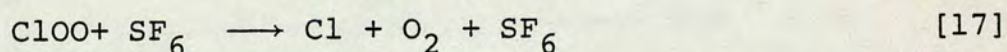
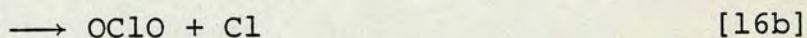
The rate constant for the reaction of CF_3 radicals with O_3 [12] was taken to be

$$k_{12} = 1.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

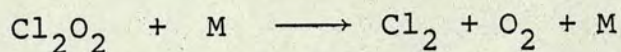
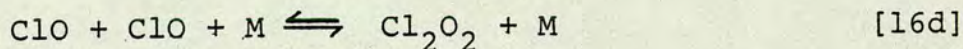
The final O_3 depletion must be determined by the reactions of $O(^3P)$, $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and halogen atoms with ozone. Rate constants for these processes are accurately known. One of the most poorly understood features of Freon/ O_3 systems is the disproportionation reaction of ClO radicals, although it is generally accepted this reaction [16] is second order in ClO.



Clyne et al.¹⁶¹ have measured the overall second order rate constant mass spectrometrically, using molecular beam sampling, at low pressure - $k_{16} = (2.2 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



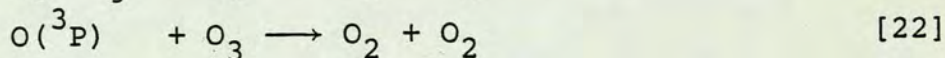
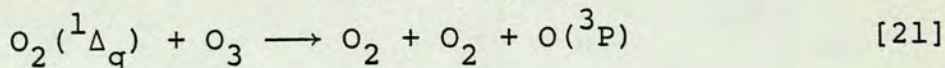
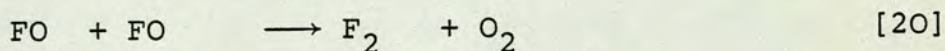
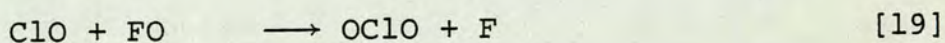
The major reaction channel has been shown to lead to the formation of ClOO [16a], while OClO has been identified as a minor product [13b]. In a recent study of the Cl/ O_3 system, Champion and Donovan¹⁶² found a branching ratio into channel [16a] of $50\% < k_a < 80\%$, with $20\% < k_b + k_c < 50\%$. ClOO rapidly dissociates to produce free chlorine atoms [17]. It was assumed that there was no third body contribution to the ClO decay, since no definite evidence has been found to support the flash photolysis studies of Johnston et al.¹⁶³ who proposed a third order process leading to the formation of molecular chlorine and oxygen [16d].



These workers¹⁶⁴ have also shown that the major channel in the reaction of Cl with ClO [18] leads to formation of Cl₂, ClO being only a minor product. Branching ratios into channels [16a,b and c] were taken to be 50%, 10% and 40% respectively.

OClo has been detected spectroscopically in the CF₃Cl/O₃ system.¹⁶² Reaction [16b] alone was unable to account for the concentration of OClo observed. However, in the presence of a large excess of ethane, the OClo yield was substantially reduced, showing that its formation was only partially due to ClO disproportionation [16]. Thus some process involving free halogen atoms is inferred.

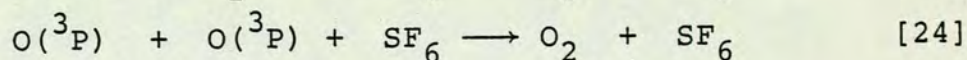
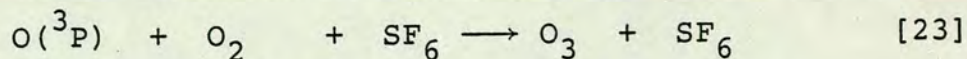
The presence of a free radical scavenger, such as molecular oxygen which should be more effective in removing CF₃ radicals than halogen atoms, reduced the OClo concentration by more than half. It was proposed that OClo formation resulted from the reaction of FO with ClO [19], thus supporting the production of free fluorine atoms [8b].



Taking reactions [16-22] into consideration resulted in an excessively large final O₃ depletion. Even processes involving O₂(¹Δ_g) and O(³P) alone predicted final O₃ depletion of ca. 30% compared with an experimental value of 22.7 ± 1.4%. Thus it is clear that some removal of O₂(¹Δ_g) or O(³P) must occur.

Within the time scale of the reaction some diffusion of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and $O(^3P)$ to the wall of the vessel may have occurred, although no evidence to support this was found in the other systems studied (Chapters 4 and 6). Since $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is the precursor of $O(^3P)$, the large difference in the experimental and simulated results suggests that it is the former which is removed, possibly by reaction with some radical species. Ultimately, substantial removal of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ must be included, and the results in table 16(a) demonstrate that it is possible to obtain a fit to the experimental values. Figure 25 shows a plot of simulated and experimental decays for 60% removal of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$. These agree closely except for times shorter than 1 ms, where there is some divergence in the experimental and computed intermediate O_3 depletions, suggesting that the extrapolation procedure adopted is not applicable in this particular case. The simulation predicts rapid O_3 removal over 100 μ s-1 ms, which is not accounted for by the extrapolation.

Recombination reactions of halogen atoms, as well as the reactions of $O(^1D)$ and $O(^3P)$ atoms with O_3 , were found to have a negligible effect on the simulated decay. However recombination reactions involving oxygen atoms were found to have a significant influence on the final O_3 depletion [23,24]



This model does not support quenching of $O(^1D)$ [6], so that there are only two major channels in the reaction of $O(^1D)$ with CF_3Cl [4,8].

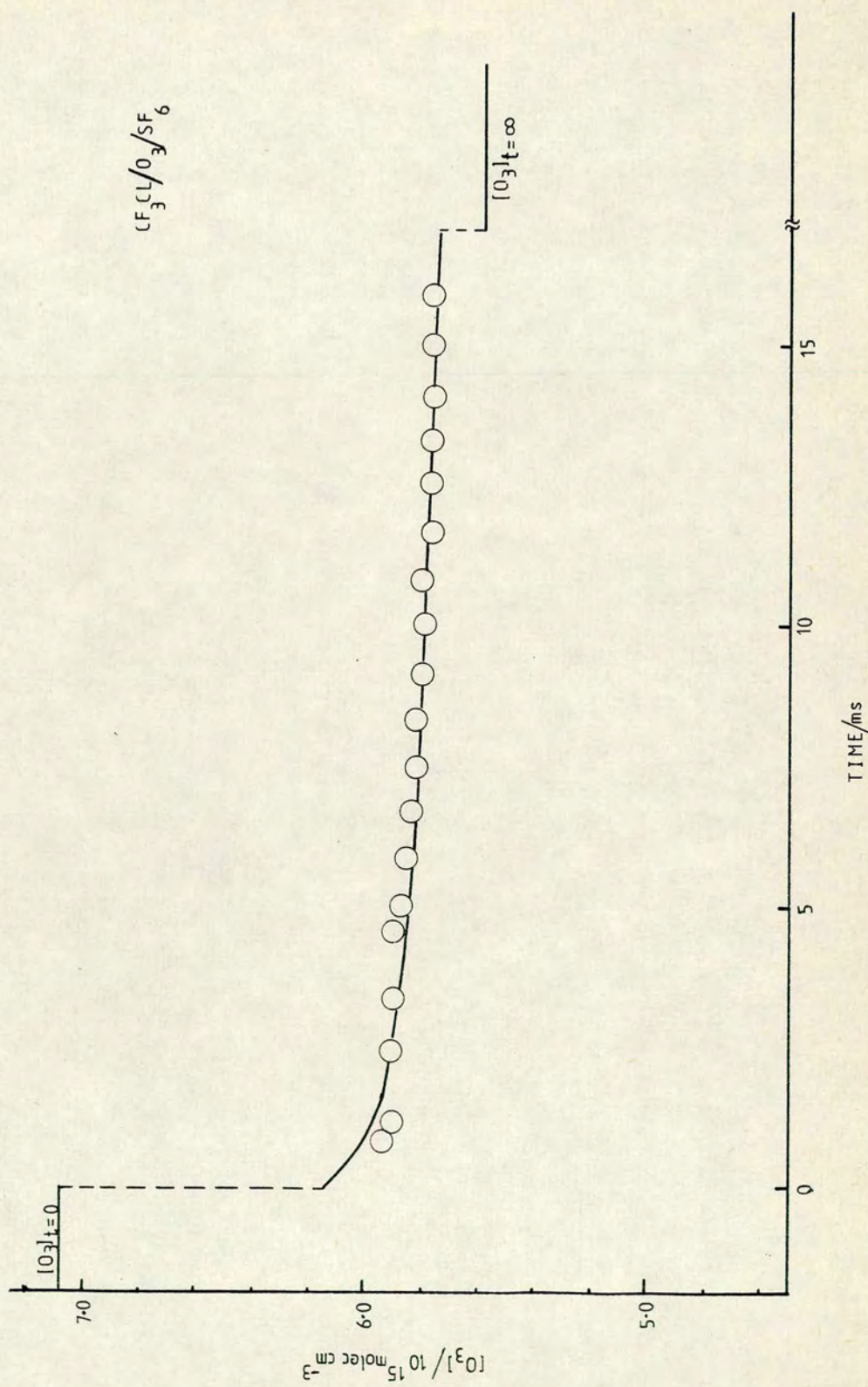


Figure 25: Simulated best fit profile (solid line) for the removal of O_3 following photolysis in the presence of CF_3Cl . Experimental decay is represented by \circ .

TABLE 15

SIMULATION OF THE PHOTOLYSIS OF OZONE IN PRESENCE OF CF2CL2.
TEMPERATURE=300K. FINAL BEST FIT MODEL.

NO.	REACTION	K/CM3 MOLEC-1 S-1	<REF>
< 4 >	7.08E15 O3 = O(1D) + O2(SD)	K1	<CALC>
< 7 >	O(1D) + O3 = O(3P) + O(3P) + O2	2.7E-10	<130>
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< 2 >	O(1D) + CF2CL2 = CF2O + CL2	1.3E-10	<156, 158
< 24 >	O2(SD) + SF6 = O2 + SF6	5.16E-18	<EST>
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< 13 >	O(3P) + 3.54E15 O2 + SF6 = O3 + SF6	250E-35	<CALC>
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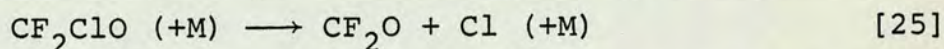
Table 16: Calculated and experimental intermediate and final ozone depletions for photolysis of O₃ in the presence of CF₃Cl and CF₂Cl₂

CFM	Ozone depletion									
	Experimental					Calculated				
	% _i	% _f	Φ _i	Φ _f	% _i	% _f	Φ _i	Φ _f		
(a) CF ₃ Cl	15.3 ± 0.9	22.7 ± 1.4	1.9 +0.1	2.8 +0.2	13.6	21.3	1.8	2.8		
(b) CF ₂ Cl ₂	14.5 ± 0.8	35.0 ± 1.6	1.8 +0.1	4.4 +0.2	12.1	31.6	1.6	4.1		
% O ₃ photolysed	8.0 ± 0.5					7.7				

CF₂Cl₂/O₃ system

In modelling the CF₂Cl₂/O₃ system, the reaction scheme was similar to that described for CF₃Cl/O₃. Table 15 lists the reactions included, together with literature values of the rate constants. A branching ratio of 70% into the ClO channel [4] has been determined by Garraway and Donovan,¹⁵⁸ some 30% of O(¹D) reacting via channels [7] and [8]. Reactions [1,12,13,15] were again taken into consideration in calculating the intermediate O₃ removal (Table 16b).

The final O₃ depletion was determined by reactions [16-21]. The secondary growth of ClO, observed by Donovan et al.,¹⁵² was accounted for by the complete dissociation of CF₂ClO to release free chlorine atoms into the system [25].



The rate constant k_{13} for the recombination of CF₂Cl radicals is not known and that for the recombination of CF₃ radicals was assumed.

Using the experimental method described here, it is impossible to distinguish between the channels leading to formation of CF₂O [7] and CFC1O [8]. However, channel [7] is more exothermic by ca. 40 kJ mole⁻¹. Furthermore, Kaufman and Wolfrum¹⁶⁰ observed CF₂O, but not CFC1O, in this system. Thus, it would seem reasonable to conclude that formation of CF₂O [7] entirely accounts for the branching ratio of 30%. The best simulated fit to the experimental O₃ decay is shown in Figure 26. Again, there is disagreement at short times as considered previously for the CF₃Cl/O₃ system. The computed final ozone depletion is slightly lower than the experimental value and may be due to an

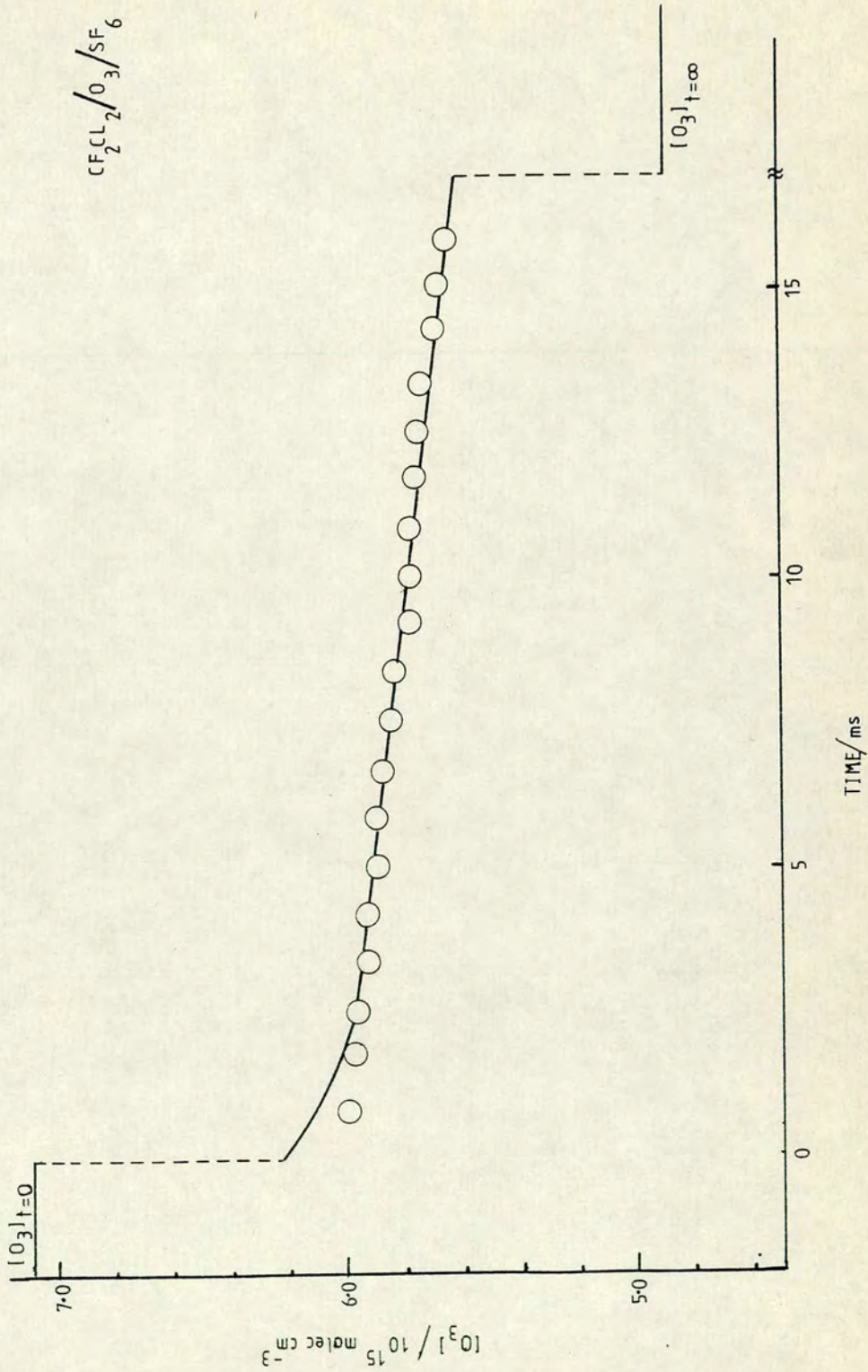


Figure 26: Simulated best fit profile (solid line) for the removal of O_3 following photolysis in the presence of CF_2Cl_2 . Experimental decay is represented by \circ .

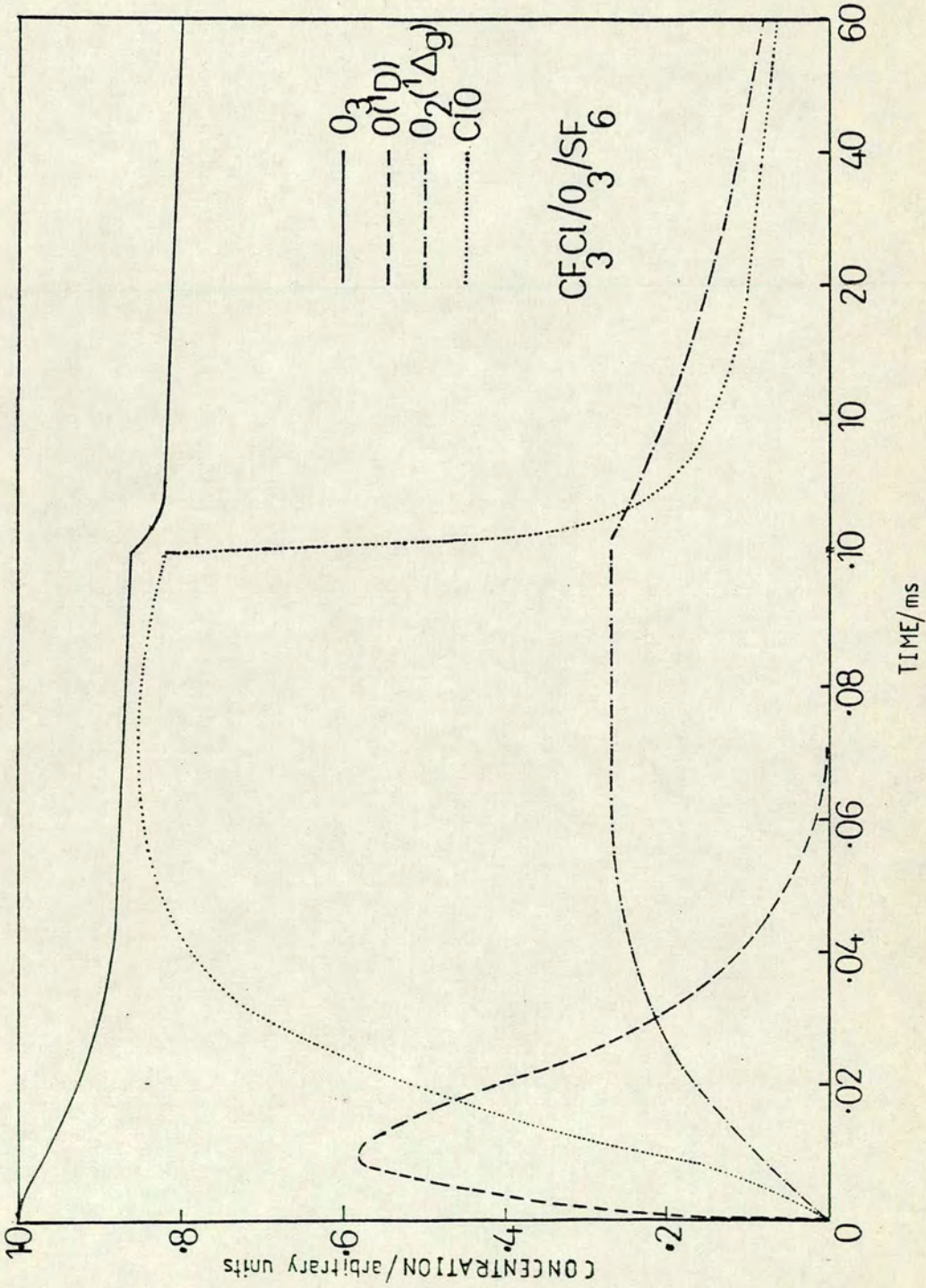


Figure 27: Simulated concentration profiles for O_3 , $O(^1D)$, $O_2(^1\Delta g)$ and ClO following O_3 photolysis in the presence of CF_3Cl . The full scale value represents concentrations of 7.0×10^{15} , 2.0×10^{11} , 1.8×10^{15} and 4.0×10^{14} molecules cm^{-3} respectively.

overestimate of the importance of CF_2Cl recombination [13] or removal of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$, again assumed to be 60% by processes other than reaction with O_3 .

Comparing the models presented for Freons 12 and 13, it can be seen that a consistent scheme is presented. Both models predict quenching of $\text{O}(^1\text{D})$ to be unimportant, accounting for <10% of the total removal of $\text{O}(^1\text{D})$. Only two channels appear to be significant, those leading to the formation of ClO and CF_2O .

Figure 27 shows the computed concentration profiles for most of the transient species present following photolysis of O_3 in the presence of CF_3Cl , based on the model presented in table 14.

In conclusion, it must be stated that no unique model of these systems is possible, with the limited experimental evidence currently available. A more complete identification of species involved in O_3/CFM systems is required, together with a better understanding of their reaction kinetics, before this goal can be achieved.

Chapter 6

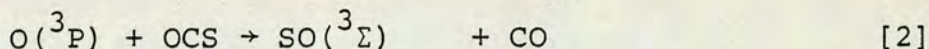
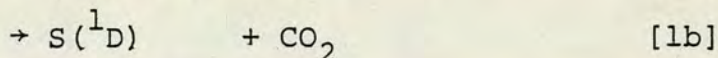
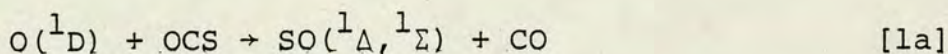
Singlet Sulphur Monoxide

6.01 Introduction

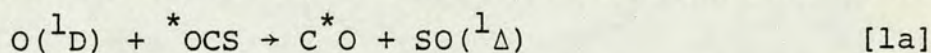
Both $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ and $\text{SO}({}^1\Sigma^+)$ have been detected when the products of a microwave discharge in O_2 are mixed with small sulphur containing molecules (section 1.06).^{74,75,76} Chemiluminescence studies have shown the ${}^1\Sigma^+$ state to lie $10,500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ above the ground state.⁷⁷ Recently, sensitized chemiluminescence at 6150 cm^{-1} has been assigned to the $a{}^1\Delta \rightarrow X{}^3\Sigma^-$ transition.¹⁶⁷ This value is close to that predicted by Colin et al.⁷⁷ and is in agreement with ab initio calculations which estimate that the ${}^1\Delta$ state lies between 5700 cm^{-1} and 6300 cm^{-1} above the ground state.¹⁶⁸ Dixon et al. have used SCF-type calculations to estimate the potential energy curves of the low lying bound states of SO .¹⁶⁹ SO chemiluminescence has been reported for reactions of sulphur and oxygen atoms produced in argon matrices.^{170,171}

In this work the reaction of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$ with OCS [1] was used to produce $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$. Ozone photolysis ($\lambda < 310 \text{ nm}$) provided a suitable source of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$ atoms. A computer simulation model was developed in an attempt to understand the reactions of $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ in the OCS/O_3 system. The rate constant for the reaction of $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ with O_3 is reported and it is suggested that this process might be a possible stratospheric sink for O_3 .

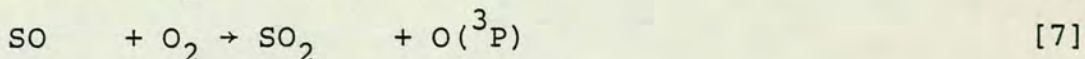
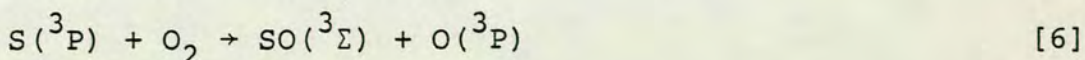
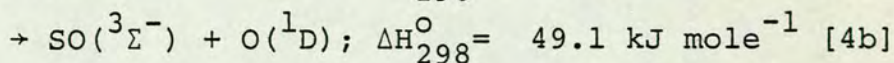
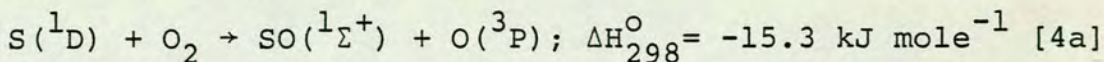
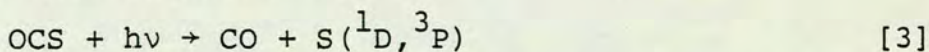
The removal of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$ atoms by carbonyl sulphide [1] has been discussed,⁷⁸ and it is predicted that this reaction yields SO in either the ${}^1\Delta$ or ${}^1\Sigma$ states. Taube and Jones,¹⁷² in low temperature matrix studies, considered two possible reactive channels [1a,b].



When S and SO are produced in the states ${}^1\text{D}$ and ${}^1\Delta$, the reactions are exothermic by ca. 311 and 307 kJ mole⁻¹ respectively. Spin forbidden processes to form the ground states are correspondingly more exothermic. The formation of $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ was found to be the dominant channel. There was no evidence to support the formation of atomic sulphur. Tracer experiments show the isotopic course of reaction [1a] to be



Crutzen¹⁷³ has recently suggested that OCS is possibly a significant source of SO_2 in the stratosphere. There are a number of photochemical reactions which remove OCS. By far the most important of these is the photodissociation of carbonyl sulphide to yield sulphur atoms [3]. Ground state $\text{S}({}^3\text{P})$ reacts rapidly with O_2 to form $\text{SO}({}^3\Sigma)$ [6]. The products of the reaction of $\text{S}({}^1\text{D})$ with O_2 have not been confirmed experimentally. However, orbital correlation rules predict two channels¹ [4a,b], of which that yielding $\text{SO}({}^1\Sigma^+)$ is exothermic. The detection of emission from $\text{SO}({}^1\Sigma^+)$ in microwave discharge experiments⁶⁹ suggests that the reaction does proceed by this channel [4a].



SO is rapidly oxidised [7] to form SO₂ by O₂, O₃, NO₂. Reaction of O(¹D) and O(³P) atoms with OCS also ultimately leads to the formation of SO₂ [1a,2,7]. Thus SO₂ would appear to be the major product of OCS decay in the stratosphere.

6.02 Results and Discussion

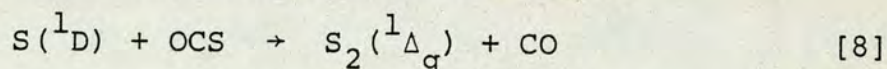
Flash photolysis with both kinetic spectroscopy and kinetic spectrophotometry was used to study the OCS/O₃ system. These techniques are described in detail in sections 2.05 and 2.04. In experiments where ozone was monitored in absorption at 253.7 nm, 26 Nm⁻² (0.2τ) of ozone was photolysed in the presence of 130, 270 or 530 Nm⁻² (1,2,4τ) of OCS. Mixtures were made up to a total pressure of 16.7 k Nm⁻² (125τ) with SF₆. The experimental procedure was the same as that described in chapter 4.

In the case of experiments using flash spectroscopy, reaction mixtures contained 13 or 26 Nm⁻² of ozone, 270 Nm⁻² (2τ) of OCS and 1.3 k Nm⁻² (10τ) of SF₆. The lower pressure of O₃ was useful when the transient spectra being studied occurred in the region where O₃ is a strong absorber (λ < 270 nm).

Ozone and carbonyl sulphide were found to react slowly in the absence of light. The resulting O₃ depletion was relatively small, even over the period of a complete experiment, and could be measured readily.

Investigation using the technique of kinetic spectroscopy showed that, within the first few micro-seconds of the photolytic flash, ozone was removed very rapidly. S₂(¹Δ_g) was observed at short delays (5-25 μs) and decayed to yield ground state S₂(³Σ_g⁻). Since formation of S₂(¹Δ_g) was not noticeably

altered in the absence of ozone, its presence was entirely accounted for by the photolysis of OCS [3,8].



Sulphur dioxide was detected several milli seconds after the flash and was presumably formed by oxidation of SO. SO₂ may well have been produced in some vibrationally excited state, such that its absorption spectrum was diffuse and difficult to detect at short delays.

Table 17 shows the measured depletions, when ozone was monitored in absorption at 253.7 nm, for a range of OCS pressures. It is apparent that the initial ozone depletion during the photolysis flash was not significantly affected by variation in the concentration of carbonyl sulphide. Since only 9.4(7)% of O₃ was removed by photolysis, the remainder of this depletion must be accounted for by reaction. Crutzen¹⁷³ has suggested that the removal of O(¹D) by OCS is fast, and it is not unreasonable to assume that the rate constant for this reaction should be similar to that for quenching of O(¹D) by CO₂ (approx. $2.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$). Thus, in the present system, less than 1% of O(¹D) reacted with O₃. Some product of reaction [1], such as SO, must have been responsible for O₃ removal during the flash. However, the reaction of ground state SO with O₃ [10] is slow, inferring that this species is formed in an electronically excited state. Both the ¹Δ and ¹Σ states of SO are feasible products of reaction [1], as predicted by the correlation diagram illustrated in Figure 28. SO(¹Δ) is thermodynamically favoured, although SO(¹Σ), if formed, would be rapidly quenched to yield

Table 17: Ozone depletions following the photolysis of $O_3/OCS/SF_6$ mixtures

Species	Pressure	Intermed. O_3 % depletion	Final O_3 % depletion	ϕ_i	ϕ_f
OCS	130 Nm ⁻²	16.1 ± 0.7	29.1 ± 0.7	1.7 ± 0.1	3.2 ± 0.2
O_3	26 Nm ⁻²				
SF_6	16.5 Nm ⁻²				
OCS	270 Nm ⁻²	16.8 ± 0.3	30.9 ± 0.8	1.8 ± 0.2	3.4 ± 0.2
O_3	25 Nm ⁻²				
SF_6	16.4 k Nm ⁻²				
OCS	530 Nm ⁻²	17.4 ± 0.4	21.7 ± 1.6	1.9 ± 0.1	2.3 ± 0.2
O_3	25 Nm ⁻²				
SF_6	16.0 k Nm ⁻²				

Results averaged over 15 experiments.

Percentage O_3 photolysis = 9.4 (7) derived from $O_3/N_2/SF_6$ results corrected for incomplete quenching of $O(^1D)$ by N_2 .

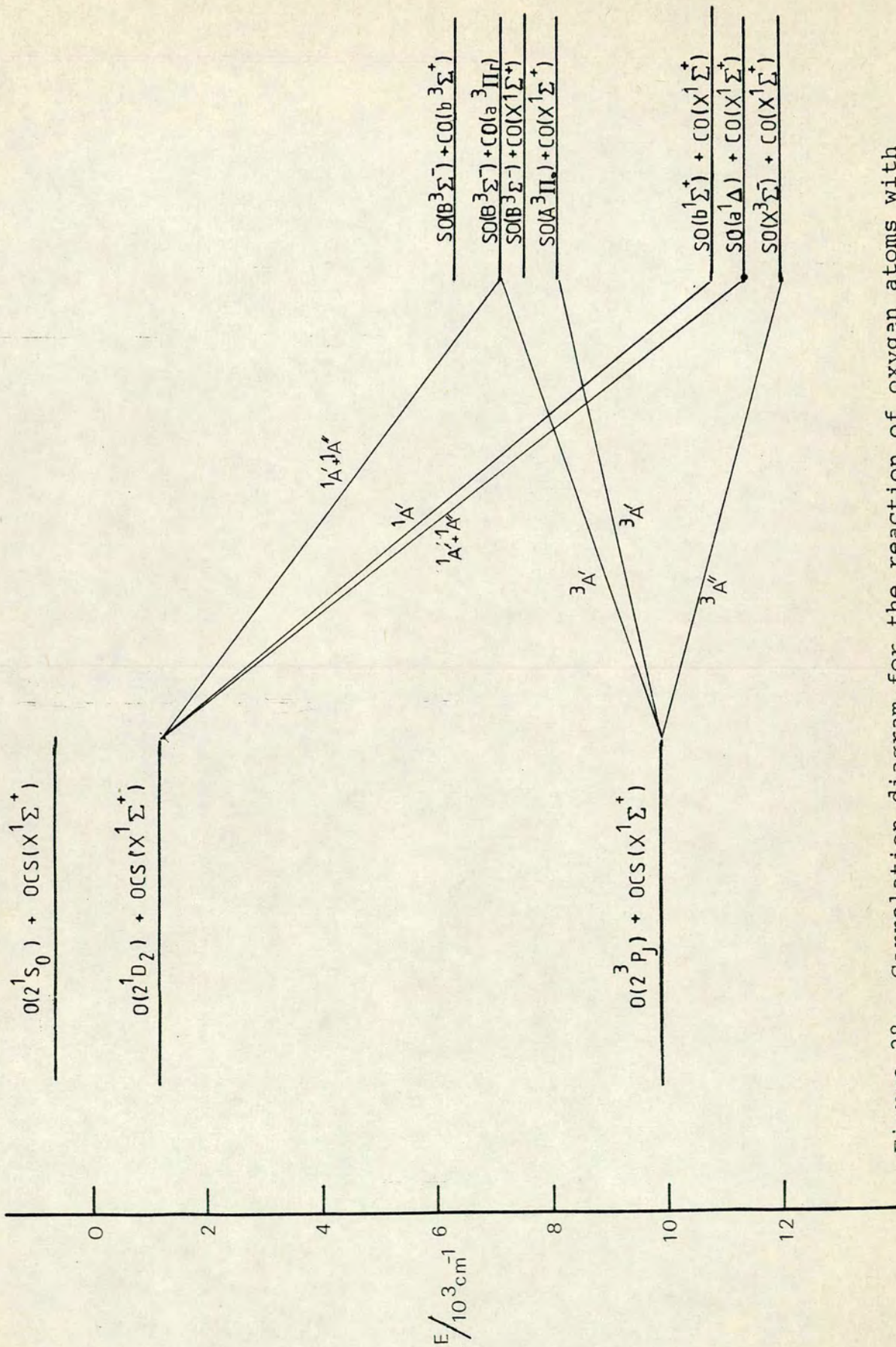
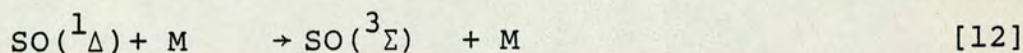
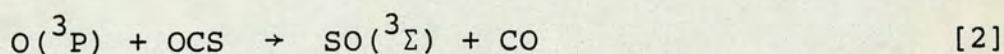
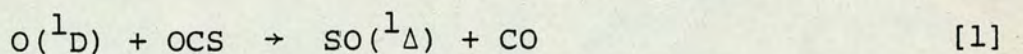


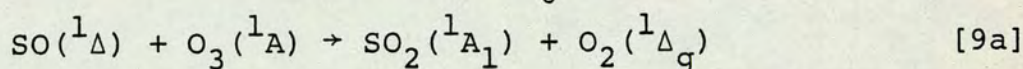
Figure 28: Correlation diagram for the reaction of oxygen atoms with carbonyl sulphide.

the $^1\Delta$ state. The reaction of $\text{SO}(^1\Delta)$ with O_3 [9] is predicted to be fairly fast to account for the observed depletion.

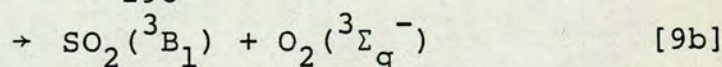
In an attempt to understand the O_3/OCS system more fully, and to obtain limits for the rate constants of the proposed reactions, computer simulation was employed (appendix 3). The model developed in Chapter 6 to account for O_3 photolysis was used as the basis of the present study. Reactions thought to be of importance are outlined below and rate constants, if known, are listed in Table 18. Photolysis of OCS was considered as having only a minimal effect in this system.



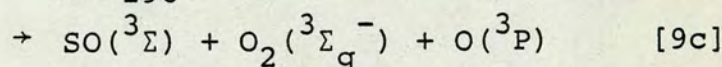
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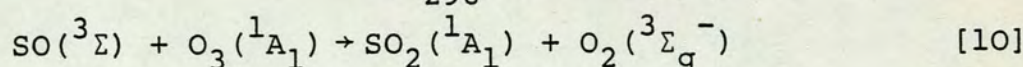
$$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} \approx -428 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} \approx -214 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} \approx +29 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H_{298}^{\circ} = -522 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$$

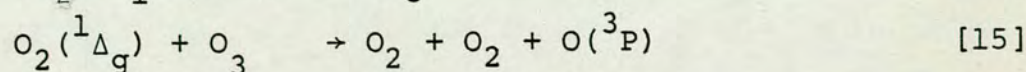
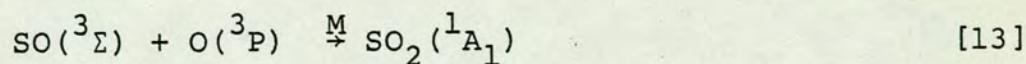


Table 18: Rate constants for reactions of importance in the simulation of the
OCS-O₃ system

No.	Reaction	Rate/cm ³ molec ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Ref.
[2]	$O(^3P) + OCS \rightarrow SO(^3\Sigma) + CO$	$(0.8 - 1.2) \times 10^{-14}$	175, 177
[10]	$SO(^3\Sigma) + O_3 \rightarrow SO_2 + O_2$	7.5×10^{-14}	176
[11]	$SO(^3\Sigma) + O(^3P) \xrightarrow{M} SO_2$	2.2×10^{-11}	174
[12]	$SO_2(^1A_1) + O(^3P) \xrightarrow{M} SO_3$	2.0×10^{-14}	174
a	$SO_2 + O_3 \rightarrow SO_3 + O_2$	$<10^{-22}$	174
b	$SO + SO_3 \rightarrow SO_2 + SO_2$	2.0×10^{-15}	174
c	$SO_3 + O \rightarrow SO_2 + O_2$	5.6×10^{-17}	174

a, b and c are unlikely to be important in this system and not considered in the simulation model.

Assuming a value for k_1 of 2.0×10^{-10} , as previously discussed, the rate constant (k_9) for the removal of $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ by O_3 was varied until a good fit to the intermediate depletion was obtained. The range of values over which agreement was obtained within the experimental error limits was

$$3.0 \times 10^{-12} < k_9 < 1.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

For a value of k_9 less than the lower limit, reaction [9] would have had an effect on the O_3 decay within the period of experimental observation ($t > 600 \mu\text{s}$). No such effect was detected. A rate constant greater than the upper limit produced too large an O_3 depletion. The best fit was obtained for a value of

$$k_9 = (6.0 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Quenching by OCS accounted for $15 \pm 5\%$ of the removal of $\text{O}({}^1\text{D})$, within experimental error. The model was insensitive to small changes in k_1 .

The final ozone depletion, as determined by computer modelling, was dependent on the nature of the products of the reaction of O_3 with $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$. Three channels merit consideration. That leading to the dissociation of O_3 [9c] is endothermic by 29 kJ mol^{-1} , compared with 12 kJ mol^{-1} for the analogous reaction of $\text{O}_2({}^1\Delta_g)$ [15], and was thus unlikely to be important in this case. Channels leading to the formation of O_2 and SO_2 correlate with one of these species being produced in an electronically excited state [9a,b]. The more exothermic route [9a] leads to the formation of $\text{O}_2({}^1\Delta_g)$. However, the yield of $\text{O}_2({}^1\Delta_g)$ from O_3 photolysis, together with the subsequent reactions

[13,2,10], was more than sufficient to account for the observed final O_3 depletion. Thus, it is proposed that the reaction of $SO(^1\Delta)$ with O_3 leads to the production of SO_2 in the first electronically excited (a^3B_1) state. This channel is still exothermic by ca. $-214 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$. A suitable means of confirming that this is indeed the preferred channel would be to monitor the chemiluminescence from the $SO_2(a^3B_1)$ state, since removal by physical and reactive quenching is slow.

Physical quenching of $SO(^1\Delta)$ is expected to be more efficient than for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, as the energy gap for the $^1\Delta \rightarrow ^3\Sigma$ transition is considerably smaller in the case of the former, being ca. 6350 cm^{-1} and 7882 cm^{-1} respectively. However, the spin forbidden nature of the quenching process suggests that, for a given species, the value of the rate constant, k_q should lie somewhere between the observed values for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and $O_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$. Quenching rate constants of the order of magnitude 10^{-16} are expected for zero-spin species, and k_{11} was taken to be ca. $1.0 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ where $M = SF_6$. Rate constants for reactions of SO were taken from the recent review by Graedel.¹⁷⁴

Good simulated fits to the experimental ozone decay were obtained for OCS pressures of 130 Nm^{-2} (1τ) and 270 Nm^{-2} (2τ), assuming a temperature of 298°K . The final ozone depletion was particularly sensitive to the rate constant k_{10} for the removal of O_3 by ground state SO . The model predicted a value of $k_{10} = 7.5 \pm 2.5 \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ in agreement with that obtained by Hampson and Garvin.¹⁷⁴ The best simulated fits are shown in Figure 29.

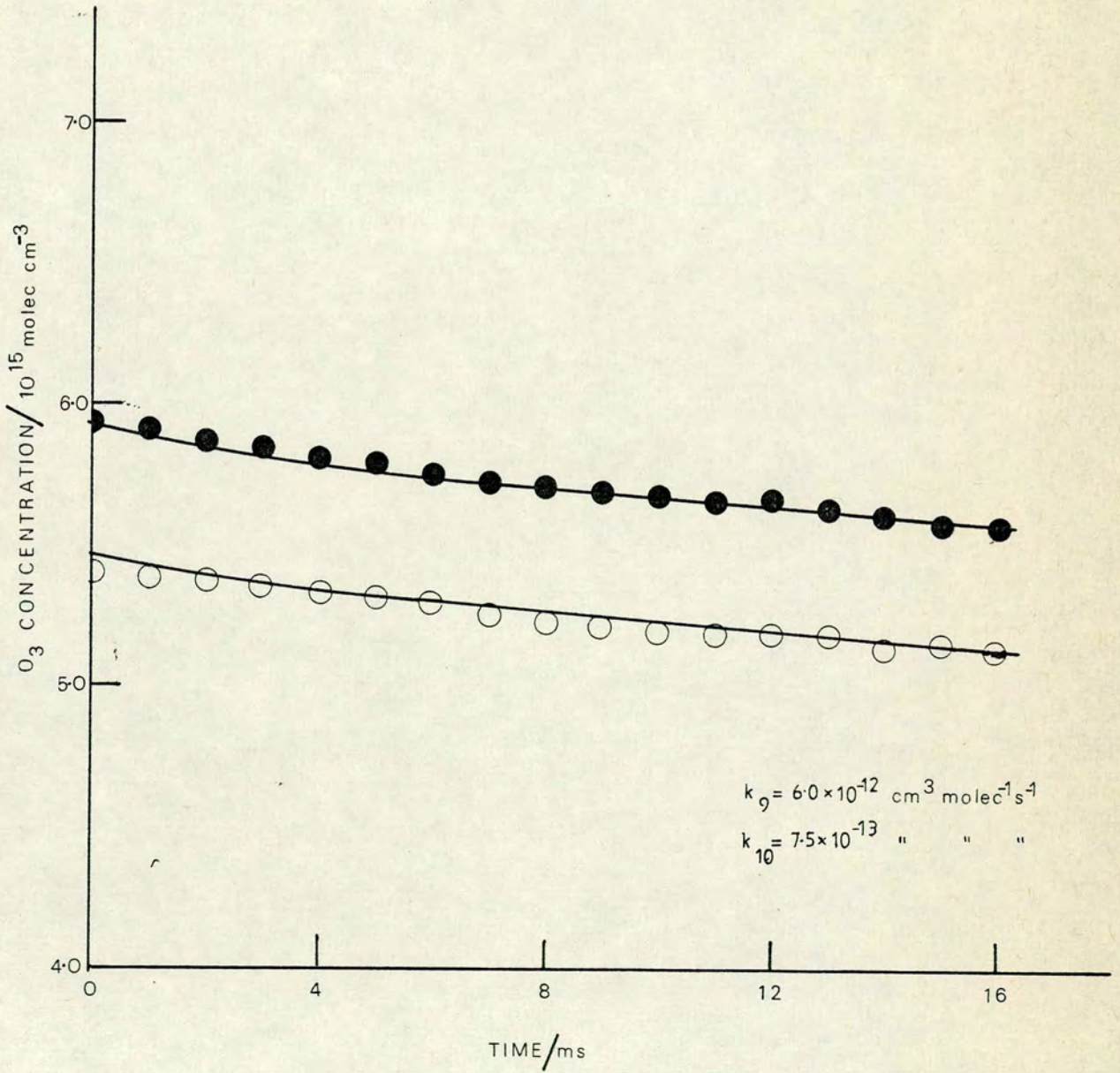
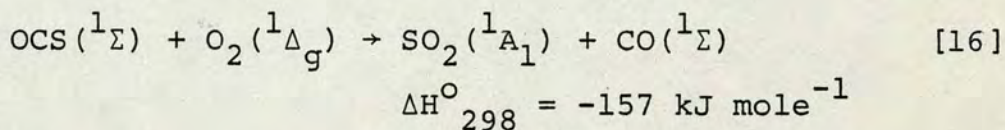


Figure 29: Simulated best fit profiles (solid lines) for the removal of ozone following photolysis in the presence of OCS. Experimental decays shown as ● (P_{OCS} = 130 Nm⁻²) and ○ (P_{OCS} = 260 Nm⁻²)

The exceptionally low O_3 depletion obtained for the highest OCS pressure (530 Nm^{-2}) could not be accounted for in terms of the model presented above. To obtain such a value, some process involving the physical or reactive quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ must be invoked. Quenching efficiency of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by OCS is not expected to be very different from that observed in the case of CO_2 .⁵⁰ Although reaction with OCS to produce ground state SO_2 and CO is exothermic ($\Delta H_{298}^\circ = -157 \text{ kJ mole}^{-1}$), this process [16] is also unlikely to occur. In the absence of a trend in experimental results on increasing the OCS pressure, no satisfactory explanation of this inconsistency could be found.



In conclusion, this work provides evidence that the removal of $O(^1D)$ by OCS to produce $SO(^1\Delta)$, is very fast, though no accurate determination of the rate could be made. Sulphur dioxide is clearly the major product of OCS decay. Crutzen¹⁶⁹ has estimated the input of SO_2 into the stratosphere due to OCS decay to be $6 \times 10^6 - 10^7 \text{ molecules cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Industrial release from coal combustion is the main source of OCS in the troposphere.¹⁷⁵

The rate constant for the removal of O_3 by $SO(^1\Delta)$ [9] has been determined

$$k_9 = 6.0 \pm 3.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

That for the removal of O_3 by $SO(^3\Sigma^-)$ [10] was found to be in good agreement with other workers.

$$k_{10} = 7.5 \pm 2.5 \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}.$$

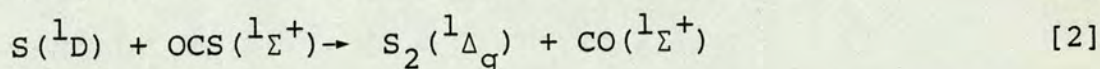
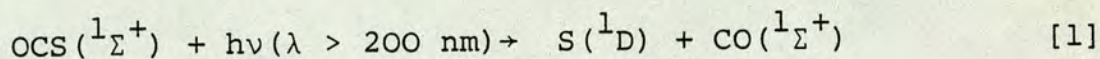
Assuming that the radiative lifetime of $\text{SO}({}^1\Delta)$ is at least several seconds (section 1.06), reaction [9] may be a possible sink for stratospheric ozone if the level of OCS in the atmosphere continues to rise.

Chapter 7

Singlet Molecular Sulphur

7.01 Introduction

Formation of the first excited singlet state of sulphur has been observed spectroscopically in absorption via the ($f^1\Delta_u + a^1\Delta_g$) transition following photolysis of a number of sulphur containing compounds.^{70,71} The mechanism for production of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ following photolysis of OCS is well understood¹⁷⁸ [1,2].

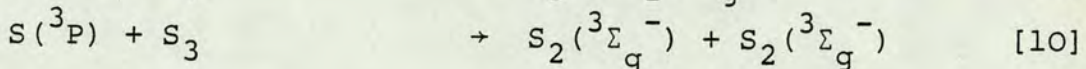
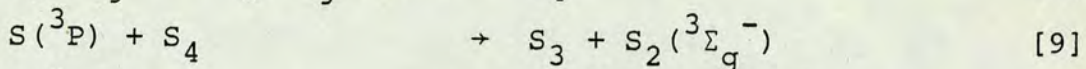
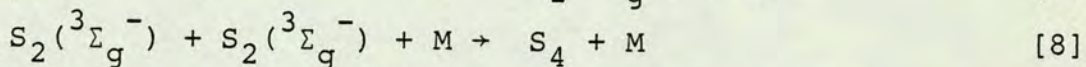
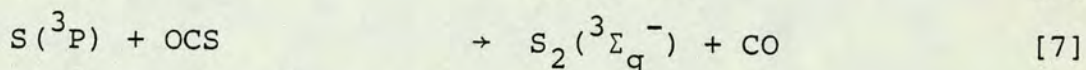
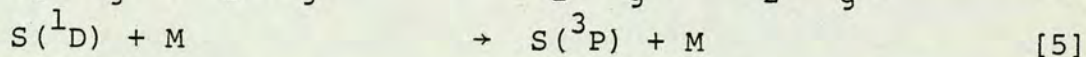
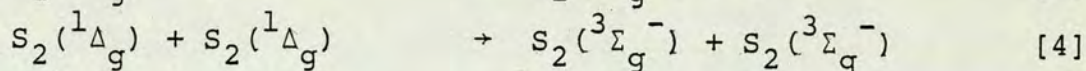
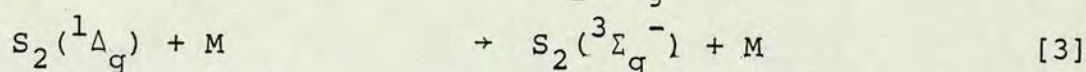
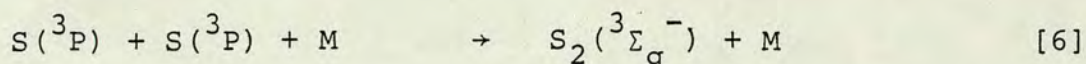


Although OCS is the cleanest source of $S(^3D_2)$ atoms, it is unfortunately a weak absorber in the ultra-violet region.

The kinetics of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ formation have yielded a lower limit for the rate constant of reaction [2] - $k_2 > 6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.¹⁷⁸

The $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ spectrum is very short lived and closely follows the flash profile,⁷⁰ the rapid decay of this species contrasting markedly with that observed for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$. As the radiative lifetime of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ is long (ca. 45 mins.), it is probable that $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ also has a substantial lifetime. This decay must therefore be attributed to collisional deactivation to the triplet ground state. The resultant growth of $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ can be observed spectroscopically in absorption via the ($B^3\Sigma_u^- + X^3\Sigma_g^-$) transition. Removal of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ via some second order 'dimol' process, analogous to that observed for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$, would only be important if the rate constant for such a process [4] was much greater than that for collisional quenching [3].

Other processes leading to the formation of ground state sulphur are relatively slow [6,7]¹⁷⁹ as are those processes leading to its removal [8,9,10].¹⁸⁰



7.02 Results and Computer modelling studies

The apparatus for flash photolysis with kinetic spectroscopy has been described previously (section 2.04). $S_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ was monitored via the (12,0) band of the ($f^1\Delta_u + a^1\Delta_g$) transition at 240.5 nm, while $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ was monitored via the (12,0) and (11,0) bands of the ($B^3\Sigma_u^- + X^3\Sigma_g^-$) transition at 271.5 nm and 279.9 nm respectively. Absolute concentrations of $S_2(X^3\Sigma_g^-)$ were obtained using the extinction coefficient measured by Gaydon et al.¹⁸¹

Experiments were carried out using 130 Nm^{-2} , 270 Nm^{-2} and 800 Nm^{-2} of OCS made up to a total pressure of 3.3 k Nm^{-2} with SF_6 . Further investigations involved 267 Nm^{-2} of OCS made up to total pressures of 1.3 k Nm^{-2} and 12 k Nm^{-2} with SF_6 .

$S(^1D)$ is the major product of OCS photolysis for $\lambda_{u.v.} > 200 \text{ nm}$ and reacts rapidly with OCS to form $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$. Absorption by $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ was found to be weak and the species was only observed for low OCS pressures when a diluent gas was present, such that the absorption bands were pressure broadened. However, OCS itself absorbs in the same region of the spectrum as $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$, so that for the highest pressure of OCS, the absorption bands of the $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ spectrum were saturated ($\lambda < 250 \text{ nm}$).

Figure 30 is a photographic plate showing the rapid decay of the ($f^1\Delta_u + a^1\Delta_g$) system and the subsequent growth of the ($B^3\Sigma_u^- + X^3\Sigma_g^-$) system of S_2 for a typical experiment. On photolysis of OCS (270 Nm^{-2}), the maximum in the concentration profile of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ occurred at $10 \mu\text{s}$, the approximate half life of the subsequent decay being $20 \mu\text{s}$. An increase in the OCS pressure to 780 Nm^{-2} did not result in a larger absorption by $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$, the maximum occurring at ca. $15 \mu\text{s}$, and was presumably the result of saturated absorption.

However, the rate of appearance of $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ was much more rapid at the highest pressure (780 Nm^{-2}) and resulted in a threefold increase in the yield of this species over that observed for 270 Nm^{-2} OCS. This suggests a similar increase in the yield of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ at the highest pressure of OCS.

The efficiency of SF_6 as a quencher of $S(^1D)$ or $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ was found to be negligible, as is illustrated in Figure 31 by the comparable experimental results obtained with 270 Nm^{-2} OCS. for total pressures of 3.3 k Nm^{-2} and 12.0 k Nm^{-2} . Removal of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ appears to be due entirely to collisional quenching by OCS. First order plots of the growth of $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ at OCS pressures of 270 Nm^{-2} and 800 nm^{-2} are shown in Figure 32, yielding slopes of $(1.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $(4.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ respectively. Thus the second order rate constant for collisional quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by OCS, k_3 , is given by

$$k_{\text{OCS}} = (2.4 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec s}^{-1}$$

So as to determine that this rate constant was indeed that for collisional quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and not simply a lower limit imposed by the duration of the photolysis flash, a simple

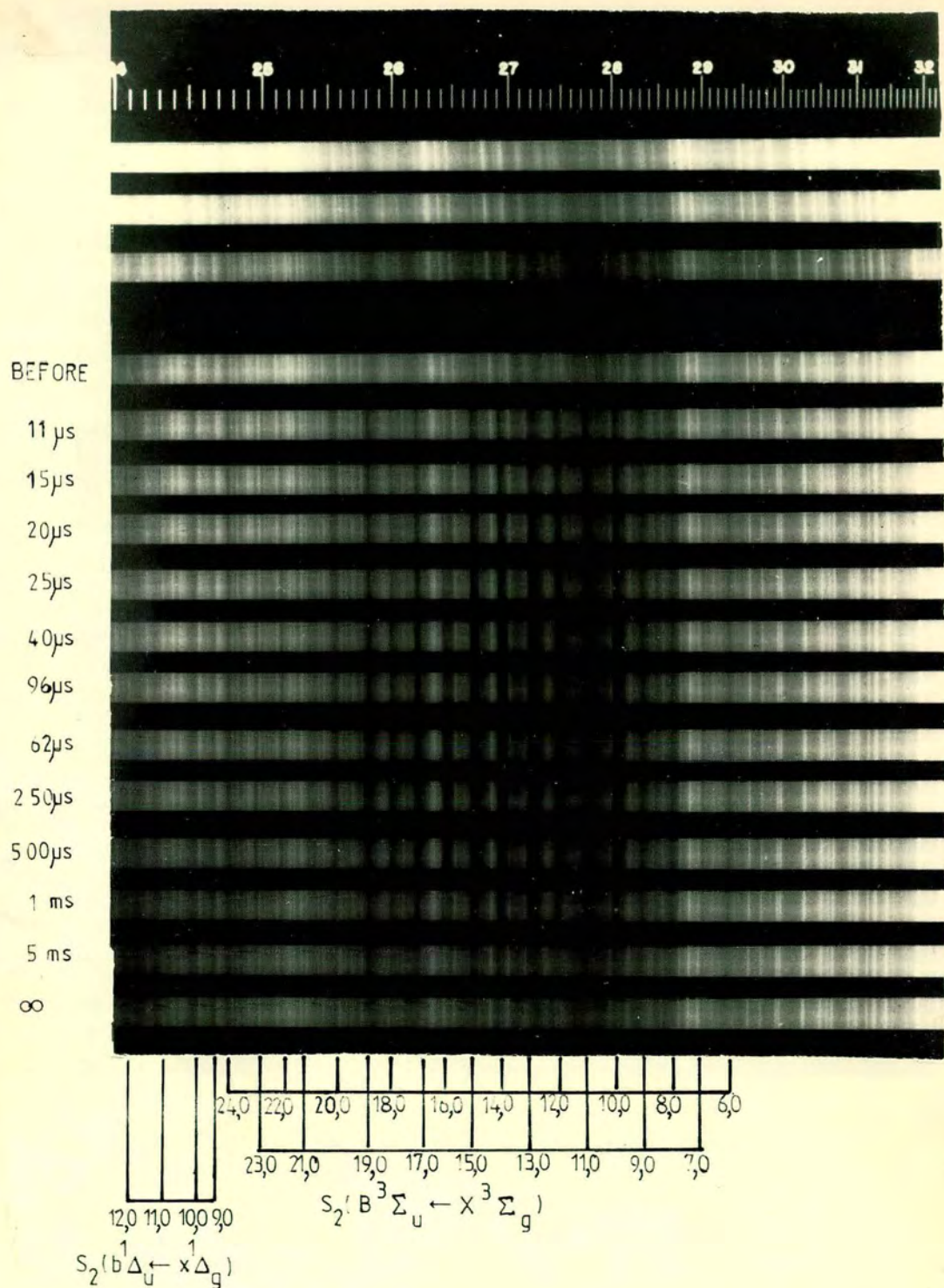


Figure 30: Photographic plate showing decay of $S_2(a^1\Delta_g)$ and resulting growth of $S_2(X^3\Sigma_g^-)$. Following photolysis of OCS. ($P_{OCS} = 750 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$, $P_{tot} = 1.33 \text{ k N m}^{-2}$)

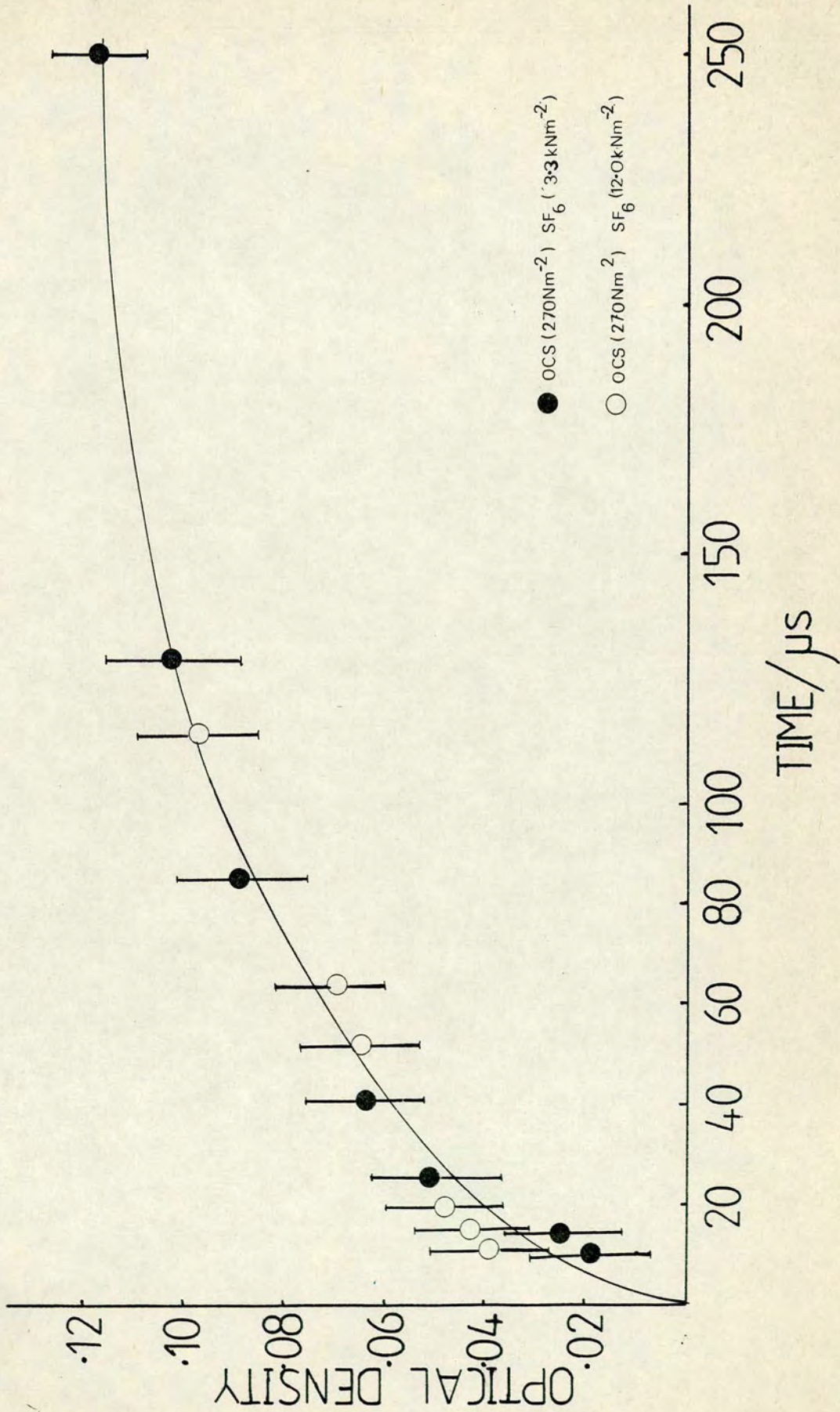


Figure 31: The growth of S₂(X³Σ_g⁻) following photolysis of OCS for SF₆ pressures of 3.3 k N m⁻² and 12.0 k N m⁻².

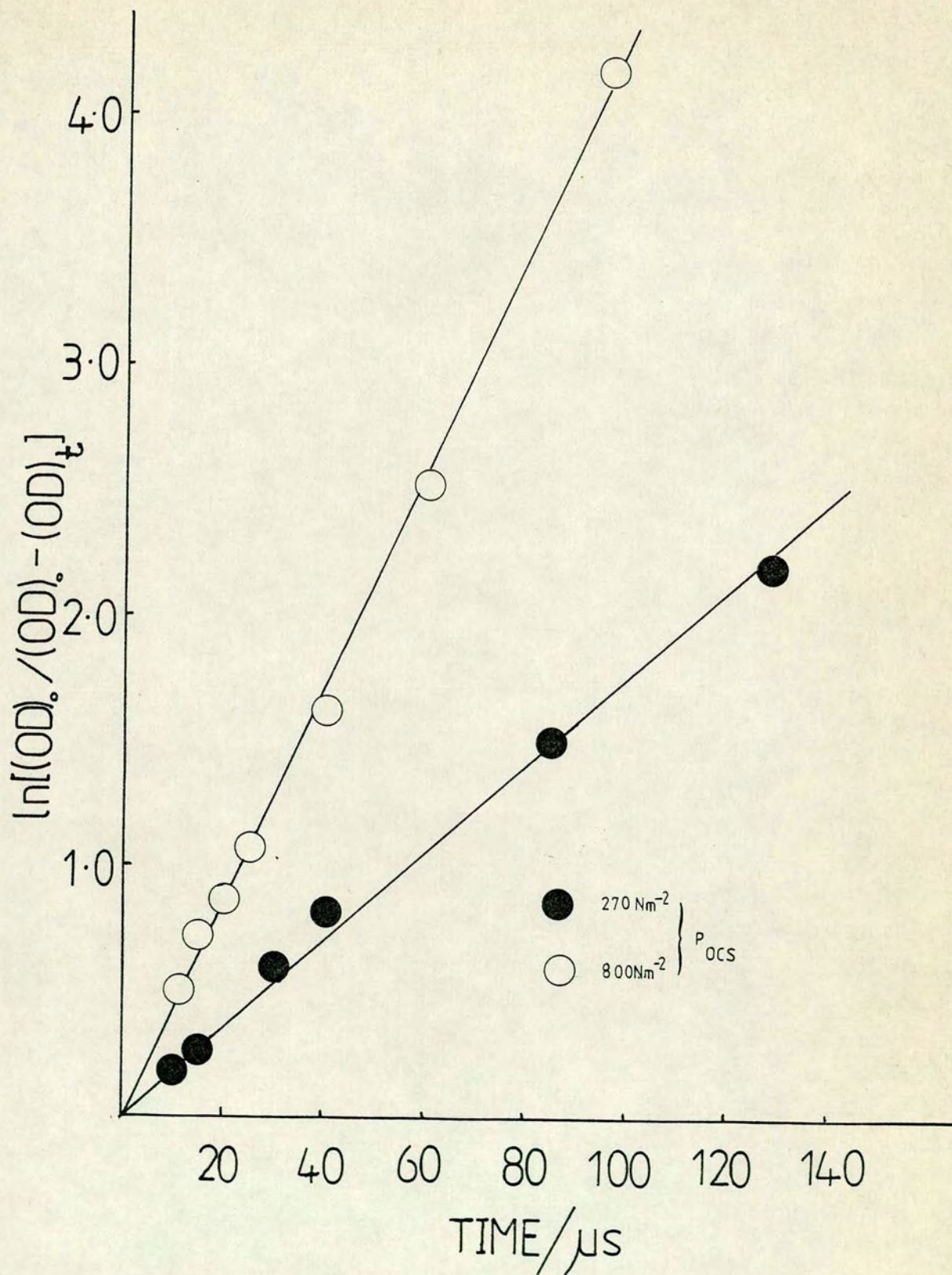
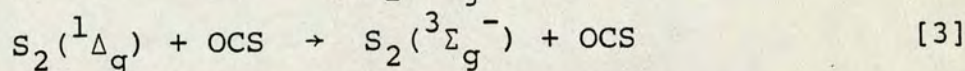
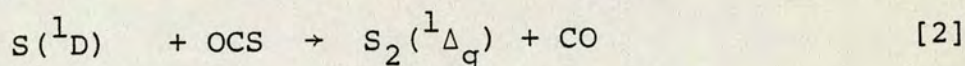
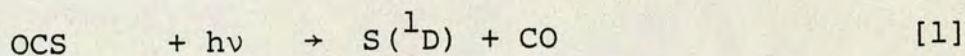


Figure 32: Pseudo first order plots of growth of $S_2(X^3\Sigma_g^-)$ versus time, following photolysis of OCS.

computer model of the system was again used. The rapid decay of the flash was found to fit a profile of the type

$$I = d[S(^1D)]/dt = A t \exp-(\beta t)^2$$

as described previously (section 2.04). From absolute measurements of the $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ concentration at long times (350 μ s) and comparison with O_3 photolysis using the same apparatus, it was estimated that the extent of photolysis of OCS (270 Nm^{-2}) was 0.1(1)%.



Only three reactions [1,2,3] were considered in this model, since other processes should have had a negligible effect within the time scale considered ($t < 250 \mu$ s). The lower limit for k_2 determined by Donovan et al.¹⁷⁸ was used to obtain a value of k_3 which provided a fit between the experimental and simulated curves of growth for $S_2(^2\Sigma_g^-)$. A flash rise time of 4 μ s gave the best fit, this being somewhat shorter than the measured value of 10 μ s which resulted in the simulated curve of growth being displaced along the time axis. This suggests that the time constant of the detector circuit was too high (section 2.04, Figure 6). The computed value of k_3 was in good agreement with experimental determination

$$k_{OCS} = (2.8 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Figure 33 shows computed and experimental curves of growth over this range of values of k_3 for an OCS pressure of 270 Nm^{-2} .

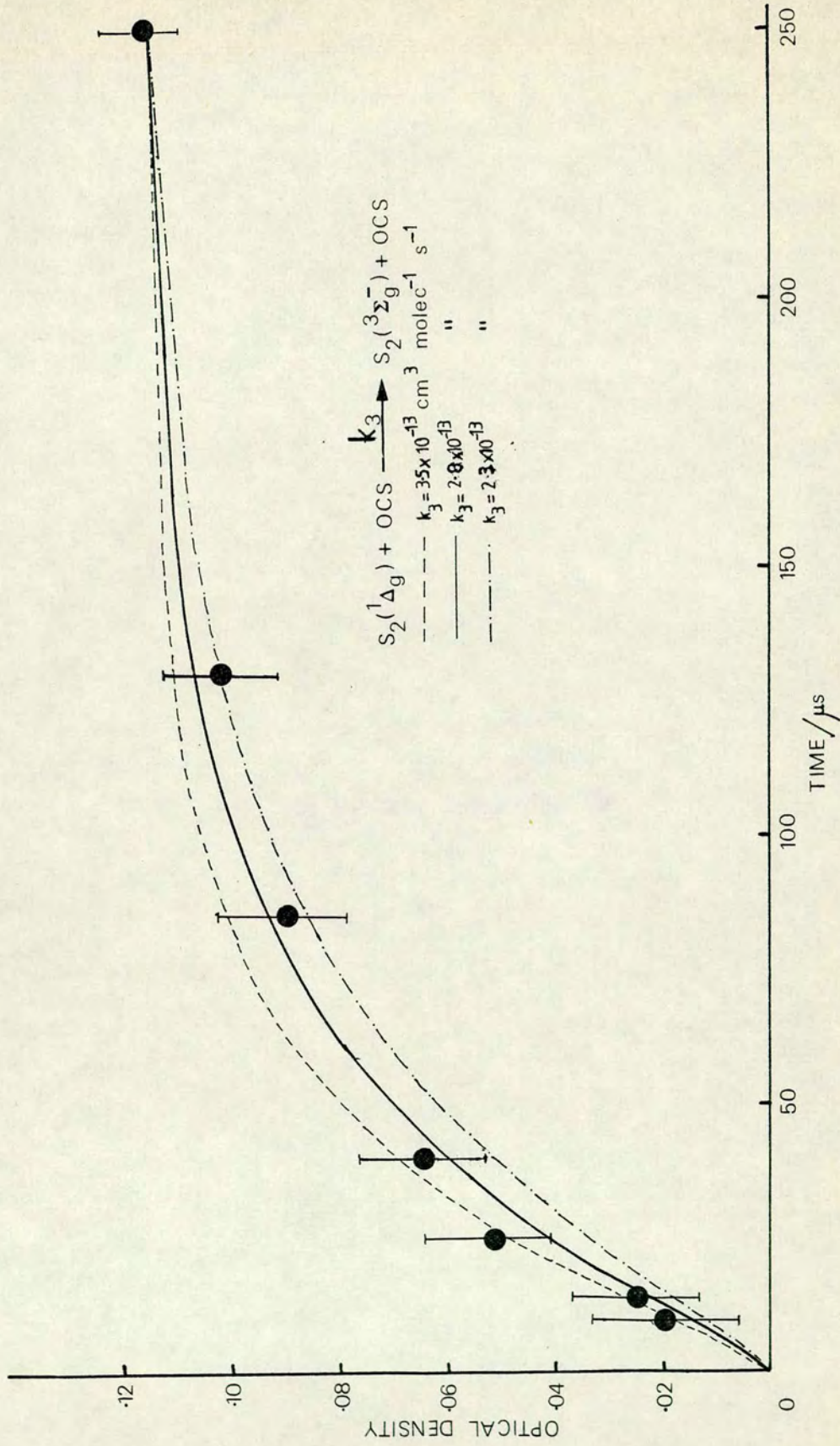


Figure 33: Calculated curves of growth for $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ following photolysis of OCS. Experimental points are shown as ●.

It is clear from these results that the growth of $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ does not follow the flash profile, the lower limit for such an occurrence being $k_3 = 1.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molec}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The model was insensitive to any increase in k_2 , so that it was not possible to obtain a more accurate value for this rate constant.

7.03 Discussion

Recent studies of the quenching of $\text{Br}(4^2P_{1/2})$ ($T_e = 3685 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) by CO_2 , OCS , CS_2 and H_2O have provided direct measurement of rate coefficients for electronic to vibrational ($E \rightarrow V$) energy transfer into product states, where these are formed with at least one quantum of vibration in the ν_3 mode.^{182,183} These results together with those of Donovan et al.¹⁸⁴ give clear evidence that as the number of vibrational quanta required to make the quenching process near resonant increases, quenching becomes less efficient. Quenching rate constants of $\text{Br}(4^2P_{1/2})$ by CO_2 and H_2O were shown to be more than an order of magnitude greater than for OCS and CS_2 .

Excitation of $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\nu_1, \nu_3)$ and $\text{CO}_2(\nu_1, \nu_3)$ via Br^* quenching are two examples of fast, mode specific, resonant energy transfer processes in which electronic and vibrational degrees of freedom are coupled by long range multipolar interactions, in this case quadrupole-dipole. For molecules such as OCS and CS_2 , where larger numbers of vibrational quanta are required for near resonance, the observed quenching rates cannot be accounted for in terms of multipolar interactions. In these cases, non-resonant, non-adiabatic transitions from the electronic potential surface correlating to the $4^3P_{1/2}$ state must be involved.

Quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by an inert quencher is a spin-forbidden process. Thus, this species is expected to be much more resistant to quenching than $S_2(^1\Sigma_g^+)$, with the exception of paramagnetic quenchers, since the latter is quenched to the $^1\Delta_g$ state by a spin allowed process.

Merkel and Kearns³⁹ found a striking parallel between $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ lifetime in solution and the solvent absorption intensity near 7880 and 6280 cm^{-1} , resonant with the (0,0) and (0,1) bands of the $^1\Delta_g \rightarrow ^3\Sigma_g^-$ transition. Due to the nature of the electronic wave functions for oxygen, the $^1\Delta_g$ and $^3\Sigma_g^-$ states cannot couple in the absence of some spin-dependent perturbation. In non-heavy atom solvents there is no solvent induced mixing of these states. However, the $^1\Sigma_g^+$ and $^3\Sigma_g^-$ states are coupled by a spin-orbit matrix element of ca. 140 cm^{-1} . Consequently, non-heavy atom solvents can induce ⁱⁿ⁻direct mixing of the $^1\Delta_g$ and $^3\Sigma_g^-$ states, ^{by causing mixing of the Δ_g and Σ_g^+ states,} and thus provide a quenching route for the former. This argument was extrapolated to account for gas phase quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and gave values which were consistent with those measured experimentally.

Carleer⁶⁹ has estimated that the $^1\Delta_g$ state of S_2 lies ca. 4,700 cm^{-1} above the ground state, although this value could be in error by as much as 800 cm^{-1} . This is considerably lower than for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ (7882 cm^{-1}) and since spin selection rules are less rigorously held in the case of S_2 , a much heavier molecule quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ might be expected to be rather more efficient than for $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$. Figure 34 shows a partial energy diagram for CO_2 and OCS , where these molecules possess at least one quantum of ν_3 vibrational excitation. Over sixty infra-red absorption bands of OCS have been assigned¹⁸⁵ in the region 2400-7000 cm^{-1} . However, little information is available

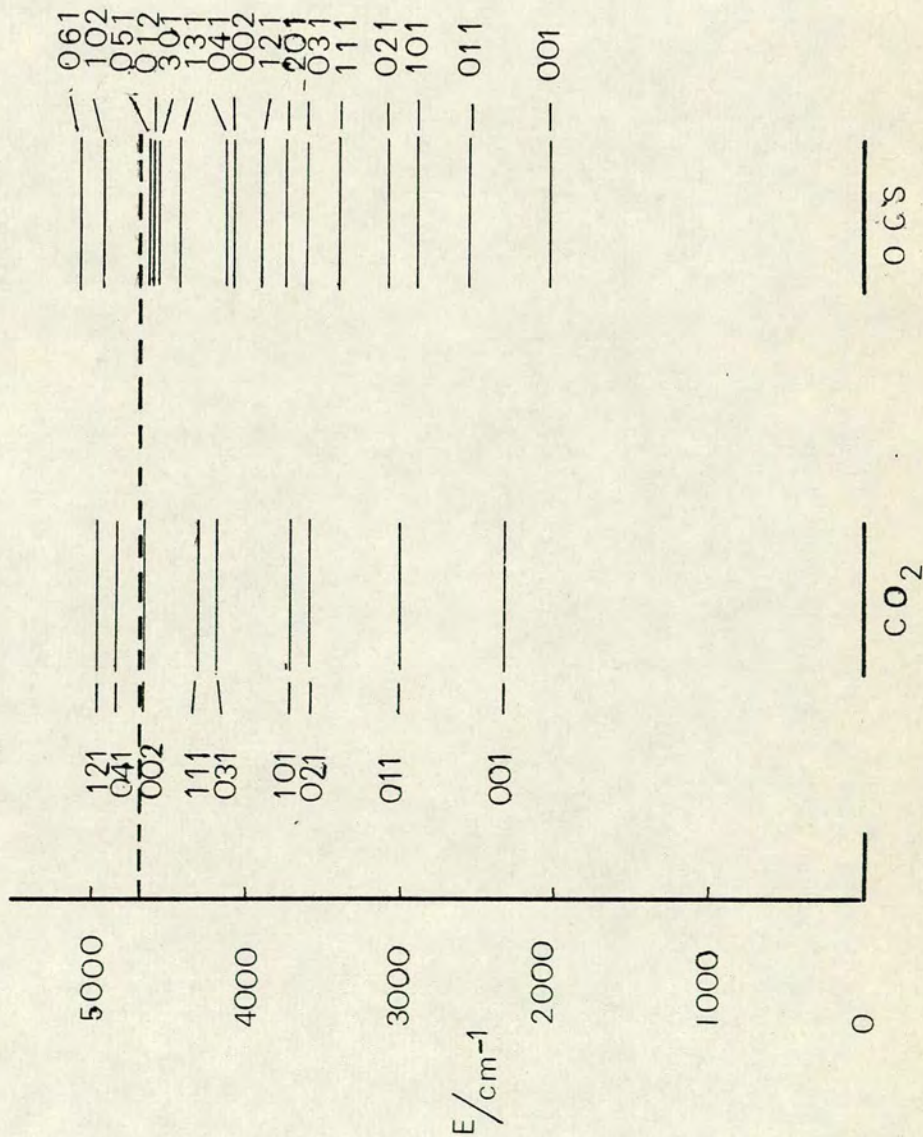


Figure 34: A partial energy diagram of CO₂ and OCS vibrational levels, including the estimated term value for S₂(¹Δ_g).

regarding their relative intensities,¹⁸⁶ especially for $\lambda > 4100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

If near resonant $E \rightarrow V$ transfer is to be important in the quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by OCS, only one channel can be considered as efficient, assuming $T_e = 4,700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. In this case, the product state of OCS is the (01^0_2) vibrational level, involving the transfer of three quanta of energy and an energy defect of ca. 80 cm^{-1} . If, however, $S_2(^3\Sigma_g^-)$ is formed with one quantum of vibrational energy (720 cm^{-1}) and OCS in the (00^0_2) product state, only two vibrational quanta are involved with an energy defect of ca. 100 cm^{-1} - this transition is relatively strong in the IR absorption spectrum of OCS.

From Figure 34 it would appear that quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$ by CO_2 , with $E \rightarrow V$ transfer into the (00^0_2) vibrational level, should be much more efficient than quenching by OCS ($\Delta E \sim 40 \text{ cm}^{-1}$). As CO_2 is an efficient quencher of $S(^1D)$,¹ it would be difficult to measure the rate constant, k_{CO_2} , for quenching of $S_2(^1\Delta_g)$. However, using equal concentrations of OCS and CO_2 , an increase of an order of magnitude in the quenching efficiency of the latter should be detectable, even assuming up to 50% of $S(^1D)$ to be quenched by CO_2 .

Appendices

Appendix I

Materials

- CF_3Cl : ICI 'Arcton' liquified gas was thoroughly degassed by repeated trap to trap distillation at 77°K with continuous pumping on the sample.
- CF_2Cl_2 : ICI 'Arcton' liquified gas was trapped in a cold finger at 77°K and allowed to expand into a bulb before thoroughly degassing by repeated trapping at 77°K .
- CFCl_3 : As for CF_2Cl_2 .
- H_2O_2 : 100 volume (BDH 'Aristar') 30% w/v minimum assay, contained sodium stannate as a preservative.
- He : 'Grade A' (B.O.C. Special Gases). $\text{O}_2 < 1$ p.p.m., $\text{N}_2 < 1$ p.p.m., $\text{H}_2\text{O} < 5$ p.p.m. Passed through liquid Nitrogen traps to remove any water.
- Kr : 'Research Grade' (B.O.C. Ltd) used directly from glass break-seal container. Purity given as 99.99%.
- N_2 : BOC 'white spot' grade (99.9%), passed through liquid nitrogen traps.
- NaOCl : Fisons Technical Grade. 8% available chlorine (Cl). Total alkalinity (NaOH) 2% maximum.

- O_2 : Cylinder grade (BOC) 99.5% minimum purity, was passed through CO_2 slush baths to remove any water present.
- O_3 : See Appendix II.
- OCS : Cylinder grade (Matheson Co. Inc.) purity 97.5% minimum, was thoroughly degassed by repeated trapping at $77^{\circ}K$.
- SF_6 : Cylinder grade (Air Products Ltd) purity 99.9% was thoroughly degassed by repeated trap to trap distillation at $77^{\circ}K$ with continuous pumping on the sample.

Appendix II

Ozone Preparation and Handling

Ozone was prepared by a method similar to that described previously by Thrush and Clough.¹²⁸ The ozone trap was filled with 4-6 mesh silica gel and baked out, using an oil bath at 300°K, with continuous pumping until no further outgassing occurred (7-8 hours). Baking out was only necessary when the gel was fresh, or when it had been exposed to the atmosphere for any length of time.

The trap was first cooled using a solid CO₂/isopropanol slush bath (195°K) and connected to a Towers Ozone apparatus using PVC tubing and a minimal amount of silicon grease to make attachment easier. After flushing out the apparatus with O₂, dried over conc. H₂SO₄, having turned on the ozoniser, ozone was allowed to adsorb on the gel. After 30 minutes to one hour the trap was fully laden with O₃ and was closed off. The ozoniser was shut down and the apparatus flushed with O₂, the trap by-pass being open, so as to prevent oxidation of the PVC tubing. Pure ozone and mixtures with partial pressures of O₃ not exceeding 1.3 k Nm⁻² were handled on a greaseless vacuum line, any joints being only lightly coated with silicon grease. Hydrocarbon grease was not used as this was highly dangerous and could have resulted in an explosive situation if in contact with liquid O₃. The freshly laden trap was attached to the line and pumped down slowly by a liquid N₂-trapped rotary pump. Any ozone was destroyed before reaching the pumps by passing over a hot glass tube containing a nickel catalyst. This process was repeated every few days so as to prevent a pressure build up of O₂ in the

trap. When fresh silica gel was used, several loads of ozone were required before the gel was deactivated.

When ozone was required on the line, the trap was first pumped on to remove O_2 , after which the slush bath was removed so as to allow the gel to warm up and O_3 to desorb. The pressure was monitored continuously using the spiral guage and a safe upper limit of 4 k Nm^{-2} was not exceeded. With careful pumping O_3 purity of 95% was achieved.

Ozone was stored in the presence of helium in a blackened bulb and slowly decomposed at a rate of ca. 1% total O_3 pressure per day. Purity was checked daily by obtaining a u.v. absorption spectrum (section 4.02).

The safety aspects of this method of preparing and handling ozone have been carefully considered by Cook et al.¹⁸⁷

Appendix III
Computer Programs

A 3.1. Introduction

The use of computers played an important part in the work reported in this thesis, and in this appendix the most important programs are described.

The computers used included the ICL 4/75 computers of the Edinburgh Regional Computer Centre (ERCC) and the IBM 370/158 computer of the Newcastle University Multi-Access System (NUMAC). The sophisticated interactive Edinburgh Multi-Access System (EMAS), run on the ICL 4/75, was used for the majority of programming tasks, whereas computer modelling programs were run on the IBM 370/158.

The programming language IMP was found to be particularly useful for EMAS, although FORTRAN IV was used for the IBM 370/158.

A 3.2. Programs to handle and process data from the transient recorder (Datalab DL905) and signal averager (Datalab DL4000).

Data stored in the memory of either the transient recorder or signal averager could be transferred to punch tape where it was formatted in ASCII code.

A program DIMOL was written to process data obtained by monitoring the decay in 'dimol' luminescence arising from the $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOCl}$ reaction. The intensity of light emitted at 633 nm was proportional to the square of the $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ concentration. After determining the offset of the baseline from zero (see Fig. 1), by averaging over the last 200 channels, the concentration of $\text{O}_2(^1\Delta_g)$ was determined as follows:-

$$\text{DELTA (I)} = \text{SQRT (INTEN(I)-BASE)} \quad [1]$$

By plotting the reciprocal of the singlet oxygen concentration ($1/\Delta$) versus time, the pseudo first order decay coefficient for quenching of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ could be determined. A weighted least squares routine was included to calculate the slope, the intercept and their respective errors. A graph subroutine was written to obtain a plot for each experiment on either the teletype or lineprinter.

This program was subsequently modified, with the help of Dr. H.M. Gillespie, to process data from either emission/fluorescence or absorption experiments. The program, known as EXPFITO, contains all the features of DIMOL such that detailed discussion of the former will serve to provide further information about the latter. EXPFITO is listed in table 19.

As well as including a linear weighted least squares routine, EXPFITO provides the alternative of fitting an exponential decay to the digital data in a non-linear least squares sense, using the ERCC IMP library routine IMPDAPRO.

For emission/fluorescence experiments the signal is directly proportional to concentration of the emitting species. Data will normally have been recorded in the pretrigger mode, in which case the baseline will be calculated from the pretrigger data. If, however, there should be no pretrigger information, the last 100 points are averaged to provide a baseline. For absorption studies two sets of data are needed for each experiment - one for the $I=0$ level and other for I_t during the experiment itself.

Data are read in input stream 1 (ST1). Various other streams are defined as follows.

ST2 - information file: contains experiment numbers, time full scale (seconds) and flash recovery time (seconds). Also (optionally) the first and last points of the decay to be processed if any particular portion is selected. A space separates each piece of data and a new line is required for each experiment to be processed.

ST3 - output file which lists the results.

ST4 - data to be read in at run time from the teletype or command file. DEFINE (ST4,.TT) will provide an explanation of each piece of data required, whereas DEFINE (ST4,.DATA) merely requires the user to enter the appropriate series of numbers separated by spaces.

ST10- output file for graph (optional).

An explanation of some of the data read in ST4 is given below.

(a) signal + or -

The program only processes negative-going signals. Thus if the signal is positive-going it is inverted by taking the negative of each data point. This feature is only important in the case of fluorescence data.

(b) weighting code for linear least squares calculation

This is only important when there is no subsequent optimisation run using the routine IMPDAPRO. Normally the linear least squares calculation simply provides initial values for the subsequent optimisation, which converges rapidly even for starting values which are far from the final best values. Thus it is sufficient to use weighting code 0.

(c) maximum number of iterations

The program usually converges within 5 or 6 iterations for reasonable tolerances. A suitable maximum might be 20, to allow for any particularly bad set of data.

(d) tolerances

DAPRO compares each value of the parameter of the model with the previous value; if the difference is less than the tolerance for that parameter, the values are returned to the calling program. If the difference is greater than the tolerance, the program enters another cycle. The tolerance is calculated as

$$V_0(i)/\text{TOL } 1 \text{ or } \text{TOL } 2 \text{ (} i = 1 \text{ or } 2) \quad [2]$$

where $V_0(i)$ is the value of the parameter before commencing optimisation and TOL 1 and TOL 2 are integers read in. TOL 1 = TOL 2=10,000 is recommended for most data; however for quicker calculations, e.g. preliminary results, 500 is adequate. N.B. The program may use up to 30 seconds CPU time for a tolerance of 10,000.

(e) Number of lines of output

This will print out the required number of equally spaced values. Set to 0 unless particularly required.

Table 20 lists a specimen job together with an explanation of the data input instructions.

A 3.3 Computer Modelling Programs

In this work the programs CHEK and CHEKMAT, developed by Curtis and Chance¹²⁹, were used. Program CHEK simulates chemical kinetics for well mixed gas and solution phase systems on an IBM system/360 or 370 computer. Program CHEKMAT simulates chemical kinetics with matching of observed data by automatically fitting selected rate constants. Input data is prepared in natural, free-format language. Adequate information is available on preparation of data for both programs, on the methods used in them and on how to modify their action by supplying user subroutines. Integration steps are taken by Gear's (1971) predictor corrector method, which is suitable for stiff sets of differential equations. Table 21 lists the typical input information, in this case for the $\text{CF}_3\text{Cl}/\text{O}_3$ model. Only two user subroutines will be discussed, since these were the only adaptations of the programs required for this work.

PATCHD was used to calculate the flash intensity profile and hence the rate of O_3 photolysis [3].

$$d[\text{O}_3]/dt = k [\text{O}_3]_t^\alpha I[\text{O}_3]_t \quad [3]$$

For most purposes the intensity of the flash (I) is best expressed in the form [4], where A and B are

$$I = A t \exp(-\beta t) \quad [4]$$

constants - β is the inverse of the time at which the flash intensity is at its maximum, i.e. $\beta = 1/t_{\text{max}}$.

By integration of equations [3] and [4] an expression can be derived which relates k_1 to P_∞ , the percentage photolysis at $t = \infty$, A, β and t. This subroutine is included in Table 21.

$$k_1 = \ln (100/100-P_0) \cdot A \cdot t \cdot \exp(-\beta t) \quad [5]$$

PATCH 1 was developed to simulate the expected experimental ozone decay converting calculated concentrations into transmitted light intensities (I_t) using the Beer-Lambert Law. This subroutine is shown in Table 21.

TABLE 19 PROGRAM EXPFITO

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1  *BEGIN
2  *INTEGER P,PT,M,IMIN,DPT,SIGNAL
3  *INTEGER PTS,IATMIN,END,STORE,MINSTOR
4  *INTEGER NUMBER,IATMAX,IFINAL
5  *INTEGER OUTPUT,PORTION,TYPE
6  *INTEGER MM,NA,NB,MN
7  *INTEGER FIRST,LAST,WEIGHT
8  *INTEGER NF,U,N,ZERO,DELAY
9  *INTEGER I,B,LIMIT,OUT
10 *REAL TOL1,TOL2
11 *REAL MAXSOFAR,TOTAL,T,SLOPE
12 *REAL DT,DEVSLOPE,MINsofar
13 *REAL DEVINT,BASE,EXPT,TFS
14 *REAL INTER,SIGM,SIGWX,RECDV
15 *REAL SIGWY,SIGWX2,SIGWY2,SIGWX
16 *REAL SIGWDD,DEN,CLOSE,GROUND
17 *REAL ALPHA,ALPHAB,ALPHA2,CALCY,ENDINT
18 *LONGREAL SS,DD
19 *LONGREALARRAY VV(1:2),TOLL(1:2)
20 *REALARRAY X(1:1000),Y(1:1000),N(1:1000)
21 *REALARRAY AVG(1:2),INTEN(1:1024)
22 *LONGREALARRAY TIME(1:1024),DELTA(1:1024)
23 *REALARRAY LRECIP(1:1024),PLOTX(1:1000),PLOTY(1:1000)
24 *REALARRAY PY(1:1000)
25 *REAL MAXY,MINY,DY
26 *STRING(10) XAXIS,YAXIS
27 *EXTERNALROUTINESPEC IMP DAPRO(*LONGREALFN F *C
C  *INTEGER KO,MA,ME,N,*INTEGERNAME M *C
C  *LONGREALNAME S,D,*LONGREALARRAYNAME X,Y,V,TOL,SF)
28 I
29 I
30 I
31 SELECTOUTPUT(4)
32 NEWLINE
33 *PRINTTEXT 'THIS PROGRAM IS ONLY FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION
34 WITH DATA FROM A TRANSIENT RECORDER.'
35 *PRINTTEXT 'OUTPUT4=INSTRUCTIONS,OUTPUT3=RESULTS
36 OUTPUT10=GRAPH,INPUT1=DATA,INPUT2=INSTRUCTIONS'
37 NEWLINE
38 *PRINTTEXT 'THE INSTRUCTIONS FILE(ST2) SHOULD CONTAIN
39 THE EXPERIMENT NO., TFS(SECS), FLASH RECOVERY TIME(SECONDS),
40 AND(OPTIONALLY) THE FIRST AND LAST CHANNELS TO BE PROCESSED,
41 WITH A SPACE BETWEEN EACH PIECE OF DATA AND A NEWLINE FOR
42 EACH EXPERIMENT'
43 NEWLINES(2)
44 *PRINTTEXT 'HOW MANY EXPERIMENTS ARE TO BE PROCESSED?'
45 NEWLINE
46 READ(NUMBER)
47 NEWLINE
48 *PRINTTEXT 'IS A GRAPH OUTPUT REQUIRED?'
49 IS THIS TO BE ON THE LINEPRINTER(1)

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50 *PRINTTEXT 'OR ON THE TELETYPE(2)?
51 IF NO GRAPH OUTPUT IS REQUIRED TYPE(0).'
52 NEWLINE
53 READ(OUT)
54 NEWLINE
55 *PRINTTEXT 'IS THE SIGNAL +(8) OR -(9)?'
56 NEWLINE
57 READ(SIGNAL)
58 NEWLINE
59 *PRINTTEXT 'ABSORPTION(1) OR FLUORESCENCE(2) DATA?'
60 NEWLINE
61 READ(TYPE)
62 *PRINTTEXT 'DO YOU WISH TO SELECT A PORTION OF THE DECAY
63 CURVE WHICH IS TO BE PROCESSED? YES(2) OR NO(1)?'
64 NEWLINE
65 READ(PORTION)
66 NEWLINE
67 *PRINTTEXT '
68 WAS A PRETRIGGER DELAY SET? IF SO, HOW MANY CHANNELS?
69 IF NOT TYPE(0).'
70 NEWLINE
71 READ(DELAY)
72 *PRINTTEXT 'WEIGHTING CODE FOR L.L.S. CALC.'
73 NEWLINE
74 *PRINTTEXT '0: NO WEIGHTING'
75 NEWLINE
76 *PRINTTEXT '1: WEIGHTING PROP. TO EXPTL CONCS'
77 NEWLINE
78 *PRINTTEXT '2: WEIGHTING PROP. TO EXPTL CONCS SQUARED'
79 NEWLINE
80 READ(WEIGHT)
81 *PRINTTEXT 'MAX NO OF ITERATIONS TO BE PERFORMED'
82 NEWLINE
83 READ(MN)
84 *PRINTTEXT 'THE TOLS X(K) ARE DEFINED SUCH THAT THE CALC.'
85 NEWLINE
86 *PRINTTEXT 'IS TAKEN TO HAVE CONVERGED'
87 *PRINTTEXT 'IF THE CHANGE IN EACH PARAMETER'
88 NEWLINE
89 PRINTSTRG('IS < 1 PART IN X(K) OF ITS STARTING VALUE')
90 NEWLINE
91 *PRINTTEXT 'TOLERANCE FOR INTERCEPT'
92 NEWLINE
93 READ(TOL1)
94 *PRINTTEXT 'TOLERANCE FOR RATE CONSTANT'
95 NEWLINE
96 READ(TOL2)
97 *PRINTTEXT '
98 HOW MANY LINES OF OUTPUT ARE REQUIRED PER EXPT.?'
99 NEWLINE

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100 READ(OUTPUT)
101 XAXIS=TIME(SECS)
102 YAXIS=L(CUNC)
103 I INPUT
104 %CYCLE U=1,1,NUMBER
105 MM=MN
106 SELECTINPUT(2)
107 READ(EXPT)
108 READ(TFS)
109 READ(RECOV)
110 %IF PORTION=2 %THENSTART
111 READ(FIRST)
112 READ(LAST)
113 %FINISH
114 SELECTOUTPUT(3)
115 %PRINTTEXT 'EXPERIMENT NUMBER '
116 PRINT(EXPT;2,2)
117 NEWLINES(3)
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122 SELECTINPUT(1)
123 %IF TYPE=1 %THENSTART
124 GROUND=0
125 READ(INTEN(1))
126 READ(INTEN(2))
127 %CYCLE I=3,1,1024
128 READ(INTEN(1))
129 GROUND=GROUND+INTEN(1)
130 %REPEAT
131 GROUND=GROUND/1024
132 %IF SIGNAL=8 %THENSTART
133 GROUND=-GROUND
134 %FINISH
135 %FINISH
136 READ(INTEN(1))
137 READ(INTEN(2))
138 %IF SIGNAL=8 %THENSTART
139 INTEN(2)=-INTEN(2)
140 %FINISH
141 MAXSOFAR=INTEN(2)
142 MINSOFAR=INTEN(2)
143 %CYCLE I=3,1,1024
144 READ(INTEN(1))
145 %IF SIGNAL=8 %THENSTART
146 INTEN(1)=-INTEN(1)
147 %FINISH
148 %REPEAT
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155 %REPEAT
156 BASE=TOTAL/100
157 %FINISH
158 %IF DELAY%0 %THENSTART
159 %CYCLE I=2,1,DELAY-2
160 TOTAL=TOTAL+INTEN(1)
161 %REPEAT
162 BASE=TOTAL/(DELAY-3)
163 %FINISH
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210      IWEIGHTED LEAST SQUARES!
211      I
212      %CYCLE I=IATMAX,1,IFINAL
213      N=I-IATMAX+1
214      %IF WEIGHT=0 %THEN %START
215      W(N)=1
216      %FINISH
217      %IF WEIGHT=1 %THEN %START
218      %IF TYPE=2 %THEN %START
219      W(N)=DELTA(1)
220      %FINISH
221      %IF TYPE=1 %THEN %START
222      W(N)=(DELTA(IATMAX)/DELTA(1))
223      %FINISH
224      %FINISH
225      %IF WEIGHT=2 %THEN %START
226      %IF TYPE=2 %THEN %START
227      W(N)=(DELTA(1))**2
228      %FINISH
229      %IF TYPE=1 %THEN %START
230      W(N)=(DELTA(IATMAX)/DELTA(1))**2
231      %FINISH
232      %FINISH
233      Y(N)=LRECIP(1)
234      X(N)=TIME(1)
235      %REPEAT
236      NF=IFINAL-IATMAX+1
237      SIGW=0
238      SIGWX=0
239      SIGWY=0
240      SIGWX2=0
241      SIGWY2=0
242      SIGWXY=0
243      SIGWDD=0
244      %CYCLE I=1,1,NF
245      SIGW =SIGW +W(1)
246      SIGWX =SIGWX +W(1)*X(1)
247      SIGWY =SIGWY +W(1)*Y(1)
248      SIGWX2=SIGWX2+W(1)*X(1)*X(1)
249      SIGWY2=SIGWY2+W(1)*Y(1)*Y(1)
250      SIGWXY=SIGWXY+W(1)*X(1)*Y(1)
251      %REPEAT
252      DEN=SIGW*SIGWX2 - SIGWX*SIGWX
253      SLOPE=(SIGW*SIGWXY - SIGWX*SIGWY)/DEN
254      INTER=(SIGWY*SIGWX2-SIGWX*SIGWXY)/DEN
255      %CYCLE I=1,1,NF
256      SIGWDD=SIGWDD+((Y(1) - SLOPE*X(1) -INTER)**2)*W(1)
257      %REPEAT
258      ALPHA2=SIGWDD/(NF-2)
259      ALPHA2=SQRT(1ALPHA2*SIGW/DEN1)
260      ALPHA2=SQRT(1ALPHA2*SIGWX2/DEN1)
261      DEVSLOPE=ALPHA2
262      DEVINT =ALPHA2
263      I
264      ICOMMENCE OPTIMISATION!

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265      I
266      USING THE INITIAL VALUES OF THE SLOPE AND INTERCEPT
267      I CALC. ABOVE TO DERIVE STARTING VALUES OF THE OPTIMISATION
268      IPARAMETERS, THE APPROP MODEL RELATING INTENSITY OR I(C)/I
269      I VALUES AND TIME IS FITTED TO THE DATA IN A NON-L.L.S.
270      I SENSE, USING THE IMP LIBRARY ROUTINE IMP DAPRO.
271      I
272      NA=IATMAX
273      NB=END
274      %IF TYPE=1 %THEN ->100
275      VV(1)=EXP(INTER)
276      VV(2)=-SLOPE
277      TOLL(1)=VV(1)/TOL1
278      TOLL(2)=VV(2)/TOL2
279      %BEGIN
280      %LONGREALARRAY TIMEA(NA:NB), DELTAA(NA:NB), SFF(NA:NB)
281      %CYCLE I=NA,1,NB
282      TIMEA(1)=TIME(1)
283      DELTAA(1)=DELTA(1)
284      %REPEAT
285      %LONGREALFN F(%LONGREAL C,%LONGREALARRAYNAME V)
286      %RESULT=V(1)*EXP(-V(2)*C)
287      %END
288      IMP DAPRO(F,0,NA,NB,2,MM,SS,DD,TIMEA,DELTAA,VV,TOLL,SFF)
289      %END
290      ->200
291      100:          VV(1)=EXP(EXP(INTER))
292      VV(2)=EXP(-SLOPE)
293      TOLL(1)=VV(1)/TOL1
294      TOLL(2)=VV(2)/TOL2
295      %BEGIN
296      %LONGREALARRAY TIMEA(NA:NB), DELTAA(NA:NB), SFF(NA:NB)
297      %CYCLE I=NA,1,NB
298      TIMEA(1)=TIME(1)
299      DELTAA(1)=DELTA(1)
300      %REPEAT
301      %LONGREALFN F(%LONGREAL C,%LONGREALARRAYNAME V)
302      %RESULT=EXP(V(1)*EXP(-V(2)*C))
303      %END
304      IMP DAPRO(F,0,NA,NB,2,MM,SS,DD,TIMEA,DELTAA,VV,TOLL,SFF)
305      %END
306      200:          IOUTPUT!
307      I
308      %IF OUTPUT=0 %THEN ->300
309      NEWLINE(3)
310      %PRINTTEXT 'INTENSITY          CONC      LOG(CONC)      TIME(S)'
311      B=((IFINAL-IATMAX)//OUTPUT)
312      LIMIT=B*OUTPUT+IATMAX-B
313      NEWLINE
314      %CYCLE I=IATMAX,B,LIMIT
315      PRINT(INTEN(1),6,0)
316      SPACES(5)
317      PRINT(DELTA(1),6,2)
318      SPACES(4)
319      PRINT(LRECIP(1),2,4)

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320 SPACES(6)
321 PRINTFL(TIME(1),4)
322 NEWLINE
323 %REPEAT
324 300: NEWLINES(2)
325 %PRINTTEXT'FOR L.L.S. CALC.(WEIGHTING CODE='
326 WRITE(WEIGHT,1)
327 %PRINTTEXT'):-'
328 NEWLINE
329 %PRINTTEXT'SLOPE='
330 PRINTFL(SLOPE,4)
331 %PRINTTEXT'+OR-'
332 PRINTFL(DEVSLOPE,4)
333 NEWLINE
334 %PRINTTEXT'INTERCEPT='
335 PRINTFL(INTER,4)
336 %PRINTTEXT'+OR-'
337 SPACE
338 PRINTFL(DEVINT,4)
339 NEWLINE
340 %PRINTTEXT'T.F.S.=-'
341 PRINTFL(TFS,4)
342 %PRINTTEXT'SECS'
343 NEWLINE
344 %PRINTTEXT'FLASH RECOVERY TIME ='
345 PRINTFL(RECOV,4)
346 %PRINTTEXT'SECS'
347 NEWLINE
348 %PRINTTEXT'RESULT AFTER OPTIMISING FIT:-'
349 NEWLINE
350 %PRINTTEXT'NUMBER OF ITERATIONS PERFORMED='
351 WRITE(MM,5)
352 NEWLINE
353 %IF TYPE=1 %THEN %START
354 DD=LOG(DD)
355 VV(1)=LOG(VV(1))
356 VV(2)=LOG(VV(2))
357 %FINISH
358 %PRINTTEXT'FIRST ORDER RATE CONSTANT ='
359 PRINTFL(VV(2),4)
360 %PRINTTEXT'+OR-'
361 PRINTFL(DD,4)
362 %PRINTTEXT' /SECOND'
363 NEWLINE
364 %PRINTTEXT'CUNCN AT T=0
365 PRINTFL(VV(1),4)
366 NEWLINE
367 %PRINTTEXT'VARIANCE='
368 PRINTFL(SS,4)
369 NEWLINE
370 %IF PORTION=1 %START
371 NEWLINE
372 %PRINTTEXT'TOTAL DECAY PROCESSED'
373 %FINISH
374 %IF PORTION=2 %START
375 SPACES(6)
376 PRINTFL(TIME(1),4)
377 %FINISH
378 NEWLINE
379 %PRINTTEXT'PROCESSED FROM CHANNEL
380 WRITE(FIRST,4)
381 %PRINTTEXT' TO CHANNEL
382 WRITE(LAST,4)
383 %FINISH
384 NEWLINE
385 NEWPAGE
386 NEWLINE
387 %IF OUT=1 %OR OUT=2 %THENSTART
388 IGRAPH OUTPUT
389 %IF NF>60 %THENSTART
390 PT=60
391 DPT=NF//PT
392 PTS=PT
393 %IF DPT*PTS>NF %THENSTART
394 PTS=NF/(DPT-1)
395 %FINISH
396 P=0
397 NF=PTS*DPT
398 %CYCLE I=DPT,DPT,NF
399 P=P+1
400 PLOTX(P)=X(I)
401 PLOTY(P)=Y(I)
402 %REPEAT
403 %FINISH
404 %IF NF<=60 %THENSTART
405 %IF NF<=60 %THEN PT=60 %AND M=1
406 %IF NF<=30 %THEN PT=30 %AND M=2
407 %IF NF<=20 %THEN PT=20 %AND M=3
408 %IF NF<=15 %THEN PT=15 %AND M=4
409 %IF NF<=10 %THEN PT=10 %AND M=6
410 PTS=NF
411 P=NF
412 %CYCLE I=1,1,NF
413 PLOTX(I)=X(I)
414 PLOTY(I)=Y(I)
415 %REPEAT
416 %FINISH
417 I SCALE OF GRAPH!
418 IMIN=1
419 MAXY=PLOTY(I)
420 MINY=BOTY(I)
421 %CYCLE I=1,1,P
422 %IF PLOTY(I)>MAXY %THEN MAXY=PLOTY(I)
423 %IF PLOTY(I)<MINY %THEN MINY=PLOTY(I)
424 %REPEAT
425 DY=(MAXY-MINY)*(OUT/100)
426 I.LP OUT=I: .TT OUT=2I
427 %CYCLE I=1,1,P
428 %IF I#IMIN %THENSTART
429 PY(I)=((PLOTY(I)-MINY)/DY)+1

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430 %FINISH
431 %IF I=IMIN %THEN PY(1)=1
432 %REPEAT
433 IOUTPUT
434 SELECTOUTPUT(10)
435 %IF U=1 %AND OUT=1 %THENSTART
436 NEWLINES(47)
437 %FINISH
438 NEWLINES(2)
439 %PRINTTEXT 'EXPERIMENT NO. '
440 PRINT(EXPT,3,2)
441 SPACES(3)
442 %PRINTTEXT 'SLOPE='
443 PRINTFL(SLOPE,4)
444 SPACES(2)
445 %PRINTTEXT 'INTERCEPT='
446 PRINTFL(INTER,4)
447 %IF PORTION=1 %START
448 NEWLINE
449 SPACES(20)
450 %PRINTTEXT 'TOTAL DECAY PROCESSED'
451 %FINISH
452 %IF PORTION=2 %START
453 %IF FIRST=0 %THEN %START
454 FIRST=IATMAX
455 %FINISH
456 NEWLINE
457 SPACES(20)
458 %PRINTTEXT 'PROCESSED FROM CHANNEL '
459 WRITE(FIRST,4)
460 %PRINTTEXT ' TO CHANNEL '
461 WRITE(LAST,4)
462 %FINISH
463 NEWLINE
464 SPACES(20)
465 PRINTSTRING(YAXIS)
466 SPACES(2)
467 %PRINTTEXT '(1 UNIT='
468 PRINTFL(DY,4)
469 %PRINTTEXT ') '
470 %IF OUT=2 %THENSTART
471 NEWLINE
472 SPACES(18)
473 %FINISH
474 SPACES(2)
475 %PRINTTEXT 'THE VALUE AT 0 IS '
476 PRINTFL((PLOTY(IMIN)-DY),4)
477 NEWLINE
478 SPACES(10)
479 %PRINTTEXT '0 5 10 15 20 '
480 %PRINTTEXT '25 30 35 40 45 50 '
481 %IF OUT=1 %THENSTART
482 %PRINTTEXT ' 55 60 65 70 75 '
483 %PRINTTEXT ' 80 85 90 95 100 '
484 %FINISH
485 NEWLINE
486 SPACES(10)
487 %PRINTTEXT '1-----'

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488 %CYCLE I=5,5,1007/OUT
489 %PRINTTEXT '1-----'
490 %REPEAT
491 %IF PT=60 %THENSTART
492 NEWLINE
493 %CYCLE I=1,1,PTS
494 SPACES(7)
495 WRITE(1,2)
496 %IF I=10 %OR I=50 %THENSTART
497 CALCY=0
498 CALCY=((2*PLOTX(1))-PLOTX(2))+((1*(PLOTX(2))-PLOTX(1))))
499 CALCY=(CALCY*SLOPE)+INTER
500 PY(1)=((CALCY-MINY)/DY)+1
501 SPACES(INT(PY(1))-1)
502 PRINTSTRING('X')
503 NEWLINE
504 ->1
505 %FINISH
506 SPACES(INT(PY(1))-1)
507 PRINTSTRING('*')
508 NEWLINE
509 1: %REPEAT
510 %IF PTS<60 %THENSTART
511 %CYCLE I=PTS+1,1,60
512 SPACES(7)
513 WRITE(1,2)
514 NEWLINE
515 %REPEAT
516 %FINISH
517 %FINISH
518 %IF NF<=30 %THENSTART
519 %CYCLE I=1,1,NF
520 NEWLINES(M)
521 SPACES(7)
522 WRITE(1,2)
523 SPACES(INT(PY(1))-1)
524 PRINTSTRING('*')
525 %REPEAT
526 NEWLINES(60-(NF*M))
527 %FINISH
528 SPACES(20)
529 PRINTSTRING('THE X AXIS REPRESENTS ')
530 PRINTSTRING(XAXIS)
531 SPACES(2)
532 %IF OUT=2 %THENSTART
533 NEWLINE
534 SPACES(5)
535 %FINISH
536 %PRINTTEXT 'THE VALUE AT 0 IS '
537 PRINTFL((2*PLOTX(1))-PLOTX(2),4)
538 %PRINTTEXT '(1 UNIT='
539 PRINTFL(PLOTX(2))-PLOTX(1),4)
540 %PRINTTEXT '(SECS).)'
541 %FINISH
542 NEWLINE
543 %REPEAT
544 %ENDOFFPRUGRAM

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INPUT/OUTPUT

TABLE 20 PROGRAM EXPFIT0

THE TOLERANCES (XCK) ARE DEFINED SUCH THAT THE CALCULATION IS TAKEN TO HAVE CONVERGED IF THE CHANGE IN EACH PARAMETER IS LESS THAN 1 PART IN XCK) OF ITS STARTING VALUE.
 TOLERANCE FOR INTERCEPT
 DATA:10000
 TOLERANCE FOR RATE CONSTANT
 DATA:10000

HOW MANY LINES OF OUTPUT ARE REQUIRED PER EXPT.
 DATA:0
 STOPPED AT LINE 536
 COMMAND:LIST(RES01)

EXPERIMENT NUMBER 1-03

TOLERANCES	TUL(1)= 2.01833E -1	V(2)	H(1)	H(2)
ITERATIONS	V(1)	V(2)	H(1)	H(2)
1	2.476144E	3 6.407268E	2 2.843107E	2 0.139700E
2	2.610322E	3 6.686658E	2 1.341785E	2 2.793899E
3	2.632938E	3 6.729547E	2 2.261624E	1 4.288887E
4	2.635590E	3 6.735172E	2 2.651132E	0 5.624653E
5	2.635921E	3 6.735895E	2 3.311599E	-1 7.227880E
6	2.635963E	3 6.735887E	2 4.227726E	-2 8.254674E

FOR LINEAR LEAST SQUARES CALCULATION(WEIGHTING CODE= 2):-
 SLOPE=-5.4033E 2 +OR- 7.9507E 0
 INTERCEPT= 7.6925E 0 +OR- 1.6244E -2
 T.F.S.= 2.0000E -2SECS
 FLASH RECOVERY TIME = 1.0000E -3SECS
 RESULT AFTER OPTIMISING FIT:-
 NUMBER OF ITERATIONS PERFORMED= 6
 FIRST ORDER RATE CONSTANT = 6.7360E 2 +OR- 8.1167E 0 /SEC(MIN)
 CONCEN AT T=0 2.6360E 3
 VARIANCE= 4.0662E 1
 TOTAL DECAY PROCESSED

COMMAND:DEFINE(CST1,DATA1)
 COMMAND:DEFINE(CST2,INFO01)
 COMMAND:DEFINE(CST3,RES01)
 COMMAND:DEFINE(CST4,TD)
 COMMAND:RUN(EXPFIT0)

THIS PROGRAM IS ONLY FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH DATA FROM A TRANSIENT RECORDER. (OUTPUT=INSTRUCTIONS, OUTPUT3=RESULTS, OUTPUT=GRAPH, INPUT=DATA, INPUT2=INSTRUCTIONS THE INSTRUCTIONS FULLF(ST2) SHOULD CONTAIN THE EXPERIMENT NO., TFS(SECONDS), FLASH RECOVERY TIME(SECONDS) AND(OPTIONALLY) THE FIRST AND LAST CHANNELS TO BE PROCESSED, WITH A SPACE BETWEEN EACH PIECE OF DATA AND A NEWLINE FOR EACH EXPERIMENT

HOW MANY EXPERIMENTS ARE TO BE PROCESSED?
 DATA:2
 IS A GRAPH DISPLAY REQUIRED?
 IS THIS TO BE ON THE LINEPRINTER(1) OR IN THE TELETYPE(2)?
 IF NO GRAPH OUTPUT IS REQUIRED TYPE(0).
 DATA:0

IS THE SIGNAL +(P) OR -(O)?
 DATA:9
 ABSORPTION(1) OR FLUORESCENCE(2) DATA?
 DATA:2
 DO YOU WISH TO SELECT A PORTION OF THE DECAY CURVE WHICH IS TO BE PROCESSED? YES(P) OR NO(O)?
 DATA:1

WAS A PREFLIGHTER DELAY SET? IF SO, HOW MANY CHANNELS?
 IF NIT TYPE(0).
 DATA:400
 WEIGHTING CODE FOR LINEAR LEAST SQUARES CALCULATION
 0: NO WEIGHTING
 1: WEIGHTING PROPORTIONAL TO EXPT. CONCENTRATIONS
 2: WEIGHTING PROPORTIONAL TO EXPT. CONCENTRATIONS SQUARED
 DATA:2
 MAX NO OF ITERATIONS TO BE PERFORMED
 DATA:30

TABLE 21 PROGRAM CHEK — INPUT DATA

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//EDUCHOSEL JUB (REGION=250K,T=2M,L=5), JME-CHEMISTRY*
// EXEC FURTRANG,REGION.G=250K
//C.SYSIN DD *
SUBROUTINE PATCHD
REAL*8 XX,DELTA,RATE,A,B,P,Q
INTEGER*2 INCSET
COMMON/GNRL/XX,DELTA
COMMON/CMPL/IMAX
CUMMUN/CUEFF/RATE(250),INCSET(250)
DATA A/9.25E9/B/-1.00E5/P/7.70/
Q=XX+1.0E-9
RATE(INCSET(1))=(DLOG(100/(100-P)))*A*Q*DEXP(B*Q)
RETURN
END
//L.LIB DD DSN=OXPLU.CHEKMAT,DISP=SHR
//L.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE LIB(CHEK)
ENTRY MAIN
//G.FT09F001 DD SYSOUT=A
//G.SYSIN DD *
* SIMULATION OF THE PHOTOLYSIS OF OZONE IN PRESENCE OF CF3CL. *
* TEMPERATURE=300K. FINAL BEST FIT MODEL. *
**
7.08E15 U3 = U(1D) + U2(SD) / 1.00E-10 ;
O(1D) + U3 = O(3P) + O(3P) + O2 / 2.7E-10 ;
U(1D) + 6.37E17 CF3CL = CLU + CF3 / 1.62E-10 ;
U(1D) + CF3CL = CF20 + FCL / 6.3E-11 ;
O(1D) + CF3CL = CL + F + CF20 / 2.5E-11 ;
O(3P) + CLU = CL + O2 / 5.3E-11 ;
O(3P) + O(3P) + 3.72E18 SF6 = O2 + SF6 / 84E-34 ;
O(3P) + 3.54E15 U2 + SF6 = O3 + SF6 / 250E-35 ;
CL + U3 = CLU + O2 / 1.2E-11 ;
CF3 + CF3 = C2F6 / 9.0E-12 ;
CF3 + O3 = CF30 + O2 / 1.0E-10 ;
F + O3 = F0 + O2 / 1.4E-11 ;
CLU + CLU = CLU0 + CL / 1.2E-14 ;
CLU + CLU = UCLU + CL / 2.4E-15 ;
CLU + CLU = CL2 + O2 / 9.6E-15 ;
CLU0 + SF6 = CL + O2 + SF6 / 6.0E-13 ;
FU + CLU = F + UCLU / 3.3E-11 ;
FU + FU = F2 + O2 / 3.3E-11 ;
CL + CLU0 = CL2 + O2 / 1.6E-10 ;
CL + CLU0 = CLU + CLU / 1.6E-11 ;
O2(SD) + U3 = O2 + U2 + U(3P) / 1.48E-15 ;
O2(SD) + SF6 = O2 + SF6 / 5.16E-18 ;
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MAX -7.08E15 U3 ;
MAX -0.00 FCL ;
MAX -0.00 CF20 ;
MAX -0.00 CF30 ;
MAX -0.00 CF3 ;
MAX -6.37E17 CF3CL ;
MAX -0.00 CLU ;
MAX -0.00 CL ;
MAX -0.00 FD ;
MAX -0.00 F ;
MAX -0.00 CF3 ;
MAX -0.00 C2F6 ;
MAX -3.54E15 O2 ;
MAX -4.35E18 SF6 ;
MAX -7.08E14 O(1D) ;
MAX -7.08E14 O2(SD) ;
MAX -7.08E14 U(3P) ;
MAX -0.00 UCLU ;
MAX -0.00 CLU0 ;
MAX -0.00 F2 ;
GSTREAM 9 100 ;
GRAPH CLU 4.0E14 C ;
GRAPH U(1D) 2.0E11 I ;
GRAPH O2(SD) 1.8E15 D ;
GRAPH CF3 2.0E13 F ;
GRAPH U3 7.10E15 Z ;
TIME 2.0E-6 2.0E-6 ;
NSTEP 50 ;
DELTA 2.0E-6 ;
BEGIN 2 ;
SAVE ;
TIME 1.0E-4 1.0E-3 ;
NSTEP 199 ;
DELTA 1.0E-3 ;
BEGIN 2 ;
STOP ;
//
SUBROUTINE PATCH1
REAL*8 VAR,EL,D,AID
CUMMUN/VAR/VAR(100)
DATA EL/1.43E-16/AID/135.4/
D=VAR(1)*EL
VAR(4)=AID*(DEXP(-D))
RETURN
END

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