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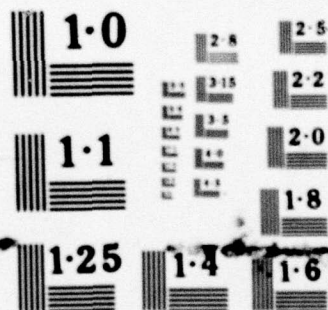
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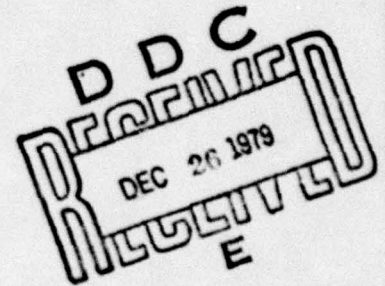
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the kinetics of association and unimolecular reactions, and solvation phenomenon. Further impetus has also arisen because of the larger number of applied areas to which the results have a direct bearing including the atmospheric sciences, obscuration, combustion research, and catalysis to mention just a few. In all but one of these areas the system of interest is that comprised of particles dispersed in the gas phase commonly termed an aerosol.

The research program undertaken in our laboratory was directed to a study of the fundamentals of nucleation about negative ions, with particular attention to an elucidation of the structure of small clusters, and the role of chemical bonding in establishing their stability. Using a new high pressure mass spectrometric technique, a systematic investigation of the bond energies and entropies of numerous ligand-negative ion complexes were determined. Concurrent theoretical work on the bonding of small complexes and ion-induced nucleation was also undertaken. The results have led to a more complete understanding of nucleation phenomena, and especially of the importance of cluster structure in the development of surfaces and in effecting phase transformations. In addition, the work has led to a clarification of some recent atmospheric observations reported in the literature.

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Summary of Findings

Support from the U. S. Army Research Office commenced on 10 June 1976 for a grant entitled "Charged Atmospheric Conglomerates: Role of Negative Ions in Heteromolecular Nucleation; the Properties of Small Clusters and Atmospheric Ions." The early period of the grant was devoted to reconstructing, with numerous modifications, an apparatus moved to the University of Colorado when the principal investigator accepted a position there. Following necessary testing procedures, an experimental program devoted to providing the molecular basis for understanding the stability of negative ion clusters was begun. Related theoretical work on ion-cluster structure, and for assessing the validity of conventional treatments of heteromolecular nucleation, was also done concomitantly.

The results of this research have led to the publication of eight papers (currently in print or in press) attached as Appendices A-H, presentations at 39 meetings and seminars, and results for six other journal articles which are now in preparation. Since the results are detailed in the attached papers, only a very brief summary of the findings is given here. In accordance with the original proposal, the work was directed largely to systems of interest in the upper atmosphere.

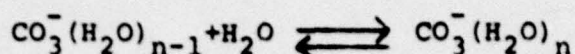
1. Studies of the Bonding of Negative Ion Clusters

It is well known that both natural events, such as solar flares, as well as manmade ones such as a nuclear burst, can cause atmospheric electron densities and levels of ionization to be increased to values several orders of magnitude higher than those

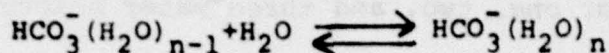
of the unperturbed atmosphere. Since the propagation of directed electromagnetic radiation (i.e., radar, radio signal, and optical signals) is influenced by the intensity of these levels, a determination of the chemical and physical processes controlling the rate of return to normal atmospheric conditions was deemed of considerable importance so that the effect of these perturbations on communication could be properly assessed.

Although considerable attention had been given to a study of the homogeneous chemical reactions and physical charge exchange processes which might operate in the atmosphere, by comparison very little was known about the processes associated with clusters, conglomerates, and small aerosols. Of particular interest is an understanding of the properties and fate of negative ions. Mass spectrometer measurements made in the upper atmosphere by Krankowsky, et al.⁽¹⁾ and Narcisi⁽²⁾ have showed the existence of an abundance of various negative ion clusters. The findings of Krankowsky and coworkers showed CO_3^- to be a major ion, followed by HCO_3^- and NO_3^- ; the data also indicated the existence of hydration complexes of these, as well as the presence of CO_4^- , and $\text{O}_2^-(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$, and perhaps Cl^- and $\text{NO}_2^-\cdot\text{HNO}_2$. Somewhat in conflict were the results of Narcisi who reported the tentative identification of $\text{NO}_3^-(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ ($n=0-8$), $\text{CO}_3^-(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$, and CO_4^- . The latter believes that Cl^- and NO_2^- might originate from rocket contamination, but this suggestion is disputed by Krankowsky and Arnold.

In order to provide the data necessary for interpreting the stability of these complexes, an investigation of the thermodynamic properties of CO_3^- and HCO_3^- complexes with water was first undertaken. Specifically, extensive studies were made of the reaction:



with n ranging from 1 to 3, and



with n ranging from 1 to 4. Experiments were performed over a wide range of pressures, temperatures, and electrical field energies and it was established that equilibrium was indeed attained in the reaction cell. The technique, experimental details, and results are detailed in Appendix E. From measurements of the temperature dependencies of the equilibrium constants, both enthalpies and entropies were derived for the reactions. The results for reaction (1) are $-\Delta H_{n-1,n}^\circ = 14.1, 13.6, \text{ and } 13.1 \text{ kcal/mole}$ and $-\Delta S_{n-1,n}^\circ = 25.2, 29.6, \text{ and } 32.5 \text{ e.u.}$ for $n=1$ to 3, respectively. For reaction (2) the respective enthalpy values are $-15.7, -14.9, -13.6, \text{ and } -13.4 \text{ kcal/mole}$; the corresponding entropies are $-24.1, -29.1, -30.2, \text{ and } -33.3 \text{ e.u.}$

An interesting finding is that the thermodynamic properties of the CO_3^- hydrates nearly merge with those of HCO_3^- of one less cluster size, beyond that of the first cluster of CO_3^- . Of particular importance is the fact that the enthalpies of hydration do not readily approach, asymptotically, the heat of condensation for H_2O as is often the case for positive ions. (See Appendix E, Figure 5). Therefore, the hydration of these negative ions is stronger than those of many analogous simple positive ions which do display this tendency. This gives credence to the rocket borne mass spectrometric findings of Arnold and Krankowsky regarding the importance of CO_3^- and HCO_3^- hydrates in the mesosphere. Details are discussed in Appendix F. As an aid in understanding the bonding resulting from hydration of these ions, approximate

quantum-mechanical molecular orbital calculations were performed with the CNDO/2 method for one, two, and three water molecules bound to HCO_3^- . Unlike the situation for positive ions, hydration complexes of negative ions develop through bonding of a hydrogen atom to the ion.

Intense interest also exists in the ions NO_2^- and NO_3^- , and we have completed studies of their interaction with H_2O , as well as NO_2^- with HNO_2 , CO_2 and SO_2 , and NO_3^- with HNO_3 . Results of NO_x^- bonded with H_2O and HNO_x are discussed in Appendix G. (See Figures 1, 2, 3 and 4 (in the Appendix) for the equilibrium constants determined at a wide variety of temperatures.

Recent data acquired in our laboratory for the bond energies and entropies of the various negative ion cluster reactions are given in Table I, along with data for the hydration complexes of CO_3^- and HCO_3^- for comparison. The importance of the nature of the ligand on its ability to bond to negative ions, and particularly with regard to establishing a stable cluster species, is seen by comparing data for a number of different ligands bonded to one ion. Referring to Figure 1, equilibrium constants for a number of ligands bonded to NO_2^- are seen to be greatly different.

Significant differences are also observed in the case of various ions bound to a single ligand. An example is given in Figure 2 which is a plot, versus reciprocal temperature, of the logarithm of the equilibrium constants of Cl^- , NO_2^- , SO_2^- and SO_3^- bonded with SO_2 . On this basis, complexes of SO_2 with Cl^- and NO_2^- should be especially important in regions where these parent ions exist; however, complexes with SO_3^- are unlikely to be

TABLE I

THERMODYNAMIC PROPERTIES OF NEGATIVE ION CLUSTERS
RECENTLY MEASURED IN OUR LABORATORY

$A^- B_n + B \xrightleftharpoons{M} A^- B_{n+1}$									
$-\Delta H^\circ_{n, n+1}$ (kcal/mole)						$-\Delta S^\circ_{n, n+1}$ (gibb/mole)			
Ligand	ion	(0,1)	(1,2)	(2,3)	(3,4)	(0,1)	(1,2)	(2,3)	(3,4)
H ₂ O	Cl ⁻	14.9	12.6	11.5	10.9	19.7	20.5	22.4	24.8
	I ⁻	11.1	9.9	9.3		19.3	20.3	21.0	
	CO ₃ ⁻	14.1	13.6	13.1		25.2	29.6	32.5	
	HCO ₃ ⁻	15.7	14.9	13.6	13.4	24.1	29.1	30.2	33.3
	NO ₂ ⁻	15.2	13.6	11.7	11.6	23.8	26.4	25.8	29.0
	NO ₃ ⁻	14.6	14.3	13.8		25.0	30.3	33.2	
CO ₂	Cl ⁻	8.0				19.6			
	I ⁻	5.6				18.2			
	CO ₃ ⁻	7.1				21.8			
	NO ₂ ⁻	9.3				24.2			
	SO ₃ ⁻	6.5				20.7			
SO ₂	Cl ⁻	21.8	12.3	10.0	8.6	23.2	22.7	23.1	23.2
	NO ₂ ⁻	25.9	9.0	6.6		36.8	16.8	13.4	
	SO ₂ ⁻	24.0				33.8			
	SO ₃ ⁻	13.3				18.9			
	I ⁻	12.9	10.1	9.2		20.2	21.6	24.7	

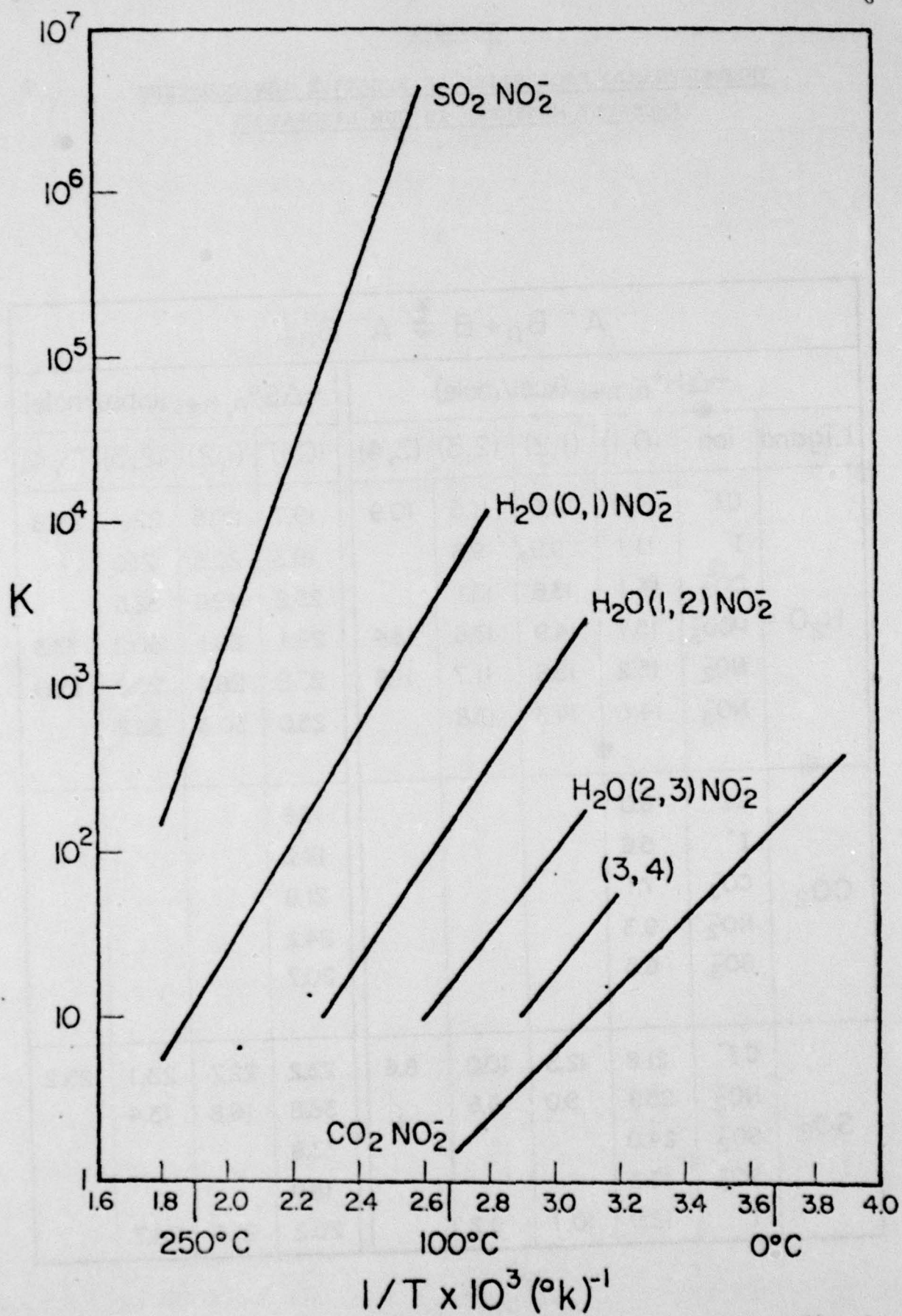


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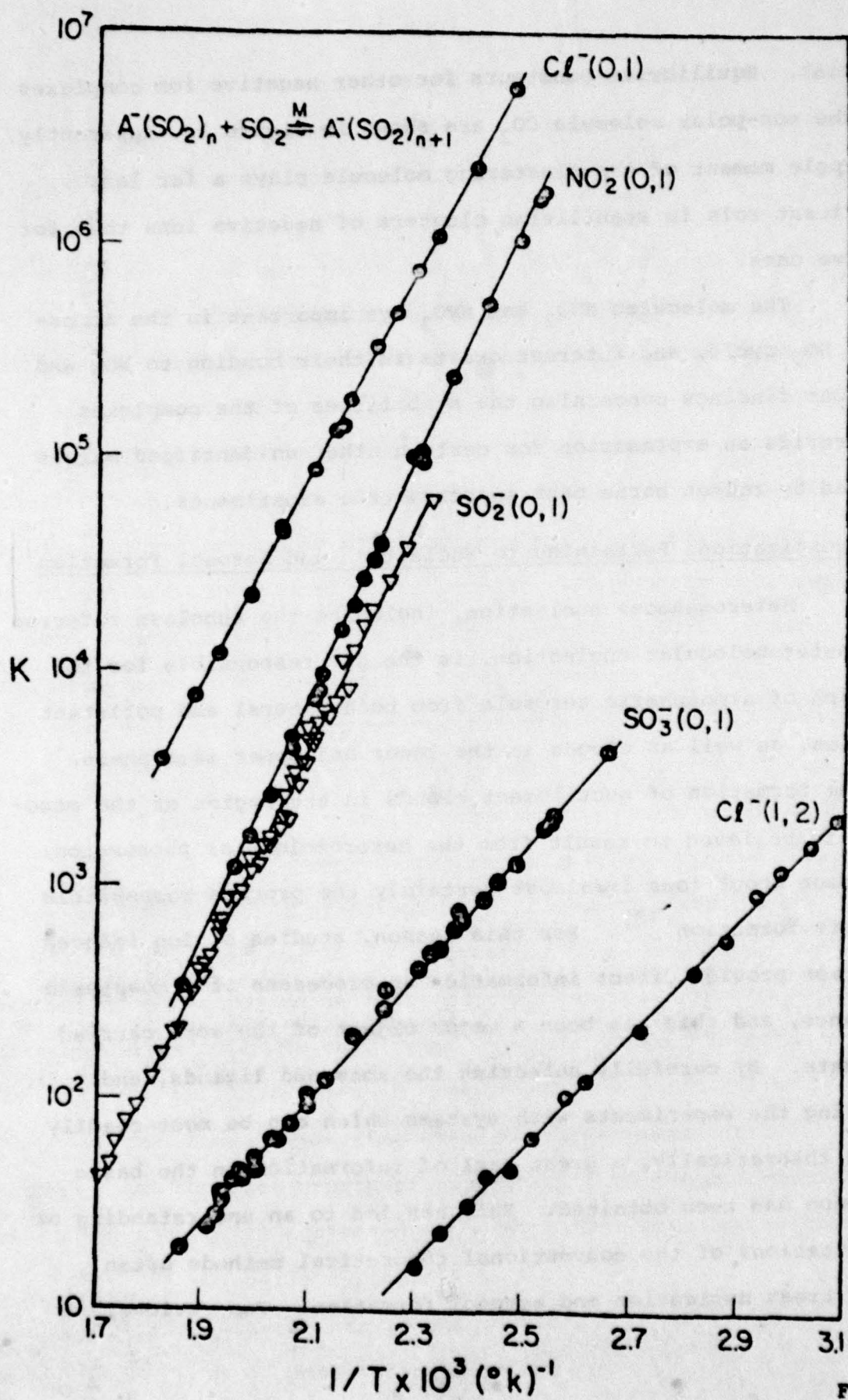


Fig. 2

important. Equilibrium constants for other negative ion complexes with the non-polar molecule CO_2 are shown in Figure 3. Apparently, the dipole moment of the clustering molecule plays a far less significant role in stabilizing clusters of negative ions than for positive ones.

The molecules HNO_2 and HNO_3 are important in the atmospheric NO_x cycle, and interest exists in their bonding to NO_2^- and NO_3^- . Our findings concerning the stabilities of the complexes also provide an explanation for certain other unidentified masses detected by rocket borne mass spectrometric experiments.

2. Investigations Pertaining to Nucleation and Aerosol Formation

Heterogeneous nucleation, including the subclass referred to as heteromolecular nucleation, is the one responsible for the formation of atmospheric aerosols from both natural and pollutant molecules, as well as clouds in the lower and upper atmosphere. Even the formation of noctilucent clouds in the region of the mesosphere is believed to result from the heteromolecular phenomenon; nucleation about ions is almost certainly the process responsible for their formation (3). For this reason, studies of ion induced nucleation provide direct information on processes of atmospheric importance, and this has been a major object of the work carried out to date. By carefully selecting the ions and ligands, and conducting the experiments with systems which can be most readily treated theoretically, a great deal of information on the basic phenomenon has been obtained. This has led to an understanding of the limitations of the conventional theoretical methods often used to treat nucleation and aerosol formation. Two reviews,

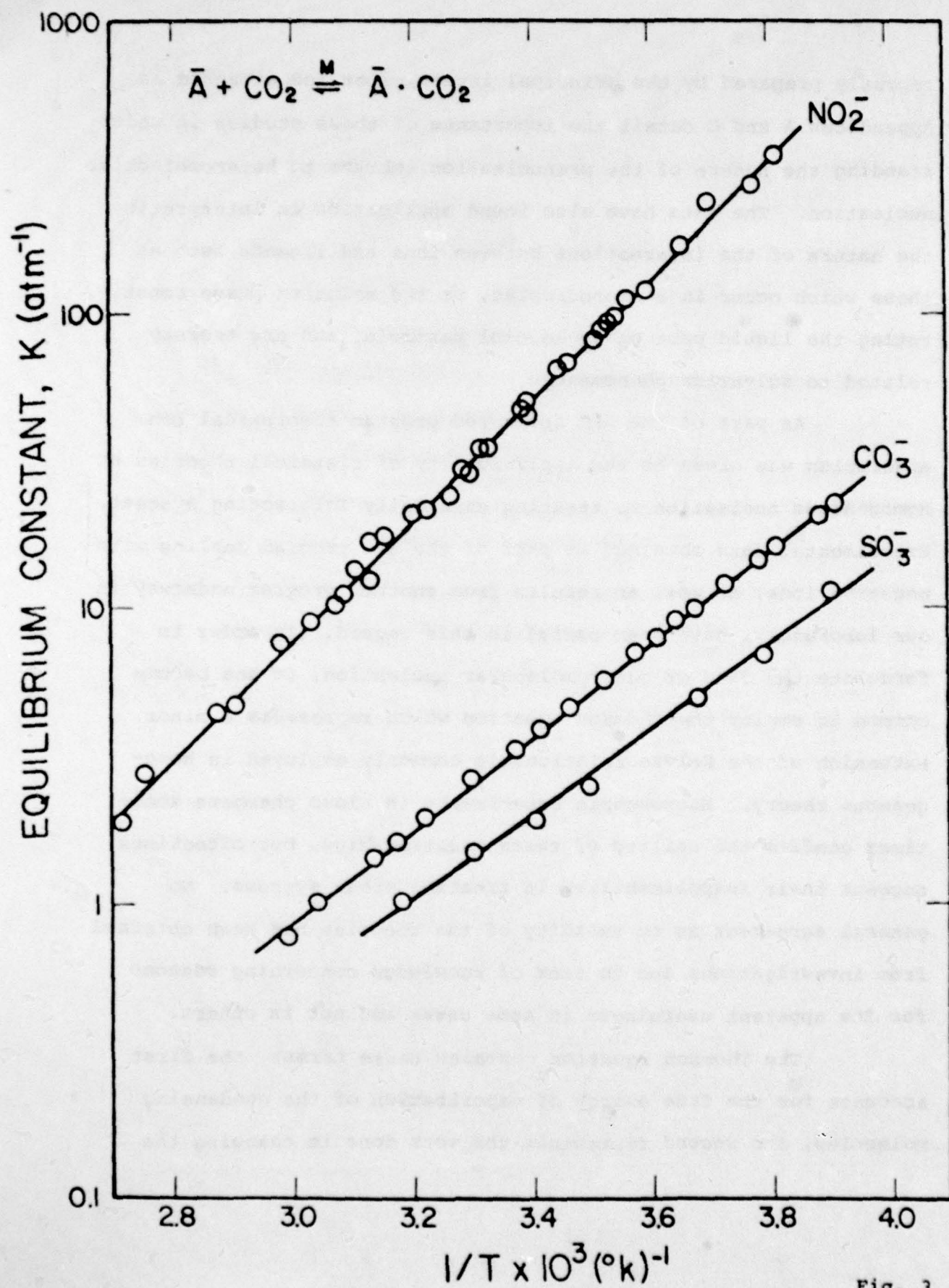


Fig. 3

recently prepared by the principal investigator and attached as Appendices A and C detail the importance of these studies in understanding the nature of the prenucleation embryos to heteromolecular nucleation. The data have also found application in interpreting the nature of the interactions between ions and ligands such as those which occur in a microdroplet, or the solution phase constituting the liquid part of an aerosol particle, and are thereby related to solvation phenomenon.

As part of the ARO sponsored program theoretical consideration was given to the applicability of classical theories of homogeneous nucleation to treating chemically interacting systems. Experimental data obtained as part of the ARO program dealing with negative ions, as well as results from another program underway in our laboratory, have been useful in this regard. In order to formulate the rate of heteromolecular nucleation, it has become common to employ the Thomson equation which represents a minor extension of the Kelvin relationship commonly employed in homogeneous theory. Macroscopic experiments in cloud chambers sometimes confirm the utility of these relationships, but oftentimes suggest their inapplicability in treating other systems. No general agreement as to validity of the theories has been obtained from investigations due to lack of knowledge concerning reasons for its apparent usefulness in some cases and not in others.

The Thomson equation contains three terms: the first accounts for the free energy of vaporization of the condensing molecules, the second represents the work done in changing the

surface area upon condensation of additional molecules about an ion cluster, and the third accounts for the change in field energy due to the condensation of a dielectric film (constant ϵ) about the ion. All of the capillarity approximations implicit in the use of the Kelvin equation for homogeneous nucleation are involved in the use of the Thomson equation; the nature of an ion is expressed only by its ionic radii. Consideration of the range of validity of the equation is instructive in developing an understanding of nucleation about ions and in deciding what terms must be sought in quantitatively accounting for the differences which various ions display in their ability to promote nucleation.

An expression for the free energy change per molecule, $\Delta G_{n-1,n}$, was readily developed by taking the derivative of the Thomson equation with respect to radius; derivative with respect to temperature enables an evaluation of entropy. Enthalpy (proportional to bond energy) is then obtained by substitution of these values into well known thermodynamic relationships. (Refer to Equations 3 and 11, Appendix B).

It is recognized that nucleation will not occur at supersaturations below 100%, and this is borne out by our calculations made for an ion-water system and shown in Figure 1. (See Appendix B) Here, the energy barrier to nucleation, $\Delta\phi$, is plotted versus cluster number n for varying ratios of $\ln p/p_\infty$, where p is the partial pressure of the condensing vapor and p_∞ the pressure above a surface with an infinite radius of curvature. The closed triangular points represent a saturated system where the energy barrier is effectively infinite; the minimum at cluster

size 10 represents the most abundant ion-cluster at this concentration of condensable vapor. At higher pressure ratios (supersaturation values), the barrier becomes finite and the size of the critical cluster decreases. At a logarithmic ratio of 1.2, a barrier no longer exists, and at higher supersaturation values nucleation becomes kinetically controlled.

This is consistent with a purely kinetic formulation of nucleation which was developed during the course of the work. (See Appendix B, Figure 2) The kinetics of cluster breakup (evaporation, k_r) are plotted along with the forward (clustering, k_f) rate in terms of its product with the concentration of the condensing molecule expressed by $[A]$. The intersection of the forward and reverse curves at small cluster sizes gives rise to a stable small cluster distribution. At $[A]=1$, corresponding to 100% saturation, no curve crossing occurs at finite cluster sizes; nucleation (curve crossing) results only at higher (super) saturations. The kinetically controlled regime indicated by the calculations shown in Figure 1 would then be represented by the case where the forward curve lies above the reverse one in Figure 2. Clearly, a complete understanding of nucleation requires a consideration of both reaction kinetics and the energy barrier to nucleation.

Pertinent to the problem of the validity of the Thomson equation is the degree to which this expression reproduces the requisite thermodynamic properties of the ion clusters. Two systems have been particularly revealing in this regard. One concerns the clustering of water to the alkali metal ions and Sr^+ ,

while the other system is the isoelectronic molecule ammonia clustered to similar ions. Utilizing the appropriate derivatives of the Thomson equation we have compared the predicted with the experimental thermodynamic properties deduced from ion clustering studies.

In all cases the Thomson equation, and requisite derivatives thereof, have been shown to well represent the enthalpy for successive clustering of water and ammonia to ions of both open and closed electronic configuration. Likewise, considering the entropies for the clustering of water molecules, there is also a reasonable correspondence between the values predicted by the Thomson equation and those derived experimentally for both positive and negative ions. (See Figure 4 in Appendix D). However, a consideration of the entropy for ammonia clustering about the alkali metal ions reveals a great discrepancy between theory and experiment.

Referring to Figure 6 (Appendix B), it can be seen that at cluster sizes in the neighborhood of 4 or 5 there is a significant departure between the predicted and experimentally derived entropy values. Not only is the departure relatively large at this degree of clustering, but it is apparent that the trend is toward an even greater discrepancy with increasing cluster size. Clearly, the classical formulations do not hold for all nucleating systems. This finding is important in that it reveals, from a molecular point of view, reasons why certain systems have been found to be reasonably well represented by the energy barrier predicted by the Thomson equation while others display considerable departure. From the molecular clustering experiments it is

now apparent that this discrepancy is in fact a result of the nature of the structure of the prenucleation embryos to ion induced nucleation. The Thomson equation, by its very nature, implies a disordered liquid-like structure. In contrast, the experimental data for entropy values at small cluster sizes are seen to be quite negative, becoming more so with successive clustering. This implies that the small ion clusters have a relatively ordered structure, which provides a qualitative picture of the reasons why the Thomson equation is not valid for certain systems. It is interesting to note that no variation in the dielectric constant can give accord between the predicted and the experimental entropy values. But, an upward adjustment of the surface tension for the ion containing droplets with decreasing droplet radius was found to give somewhat better agreement. A proper formulation of surface tension for a droplet containing an ion immersed in a dielectric, awaits theoretical attention.

Consideration has also been given to the utility of the data in interpreting and quantifying the interactions between ions and ligands in the aqueous phase such as that associated with a micro-droplet aerosol phase. Details are given in Appendices D and G. By employing the high pressure mass spectrometric technique developed in our laboratory, we have been able to study the individual interactions at selected degrees of hydration. Thereby, detailed determination of bonding and the mechanisms and rates of reactions can be obtained for ready comparison with theory. Such data have not generally been attainable from studies typically performed in bulk solution, and their utility in interpreting processes involving aerosols has been limited. As

detailed in Appendix G, a particularly important result of the present work concerns the discovery of an unexpectedly simple correlation which relates cluster bond energy to bulk phase hydration energy, as a function of cluster size. Despite its simple form, it has been found to be valid for every negative ion hydration reaction for which data are available.

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