

ION-MOLECULE REACTIONS OF SULFUR IONS (  $^4S^0$  AND  $^2D^0$  STATES ) AND  
CARBONYL SULFIDE IONS IN CARBONYL SULFIDE SYSTEM

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Ion-molecule reactions in pure COS have been studied using a pulsing method. The reactions including the excited  $S^+$  for  $S_2^+$  formation have been identified and the rate constants measured. The fraction of the excited state present in the  $S^+$  ions formed at electron energy 18.3 eV was estimated to be 0.36.

The populations of various ionic states of atoms and molecules resulting from electron impact ionization have recently been determined by measuring the attenuation of ion beam.<sup>1~5)</sup> However, the knowledge on their reactivities or the cross sections of the reactions which the excited ions perform is rather limited. As to sulfur atomic ions, Lindholm<sup>2)</sup> showed that the  $S^+$  formed by 100 eV electron impact ionization of  $H_2S$ , COS and  $SF_6$ , contained  $^4S^0$  ( 40 % ) and  $^2D^0$  ( 60 % ) states. Harrison<sup>6)</sup> also reported that there were two ionic states of the  $S^+$ , which showed different disappearance rates, in the 55 eV electron impact ionization in  $H_2S$  system, though there was no assignment about the disappearance processes.

In the present work, an attempt has been made to determine the respective rate constants of  $S_2^+$  formation in COS system, especially each of the reaction,  $S^+ + COS \rightarrow S_2^+ + CO$ , for  $S^+$  (  $^4S^0$  ) and  $S^+$  (  $^2D^0$  ) states separately. It has been demonstrated that  $S^+$  in the excited state (  $^2D^0$  ) has a higher reactivity compared with that of the ground state ions (  $^4S^0$  ).

The experiments were performed on a Hitachi RMU-5G mass spectrometer provided with the pulsed ion source.<sup>7)</sup> The COS purchased from Matheson Gas Products was

purified by vacuum distillation; analysis showed it to be more than 99 % pure.  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  and  $\text{CS}_2$  were detected as minor impurities. The rate constants of ion-molecule reactions studied were calibrated by the rate constant,  $k = 1.22 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$ , which was reported by Gupta and co-workers,<sup>8)</sup> for the hydrogen transfer reactions:  $\text{CH}_4^+ + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CH}_5^+ + \text{CH}_3$ .

The ionization efficiency curves measured for  $\text{COS}^+$ ,  $\text{S}^+$  and  $\text{Kr}^+$  as a reference of energy correction, are given in Figure 1. In the cases of  $\text{Kr}^+$  and  $\text{S}^+$ , the cuneate lines were observed.

The ionization potentials of COS and the appearance potentials of  $\text{S}^+$  are given in Table 1. The energy correction was made by using the spectroscopic ionization potential, 13.996 eV of Kr.<sup>9)</sup> As seen in Table 1, the appearance potential of  $\text{S}^+$  ( $^4\text{S}^0$ ) is consistent with the second ionization potential of COS. This shows that  $\text{S}^+$  are produced via the curve crossing between  $\tilde{\text{A}}^2\Pi$  and  $\tilde{\text{B}}^2\Pi$  states of  $\text{COS}^+$ , as

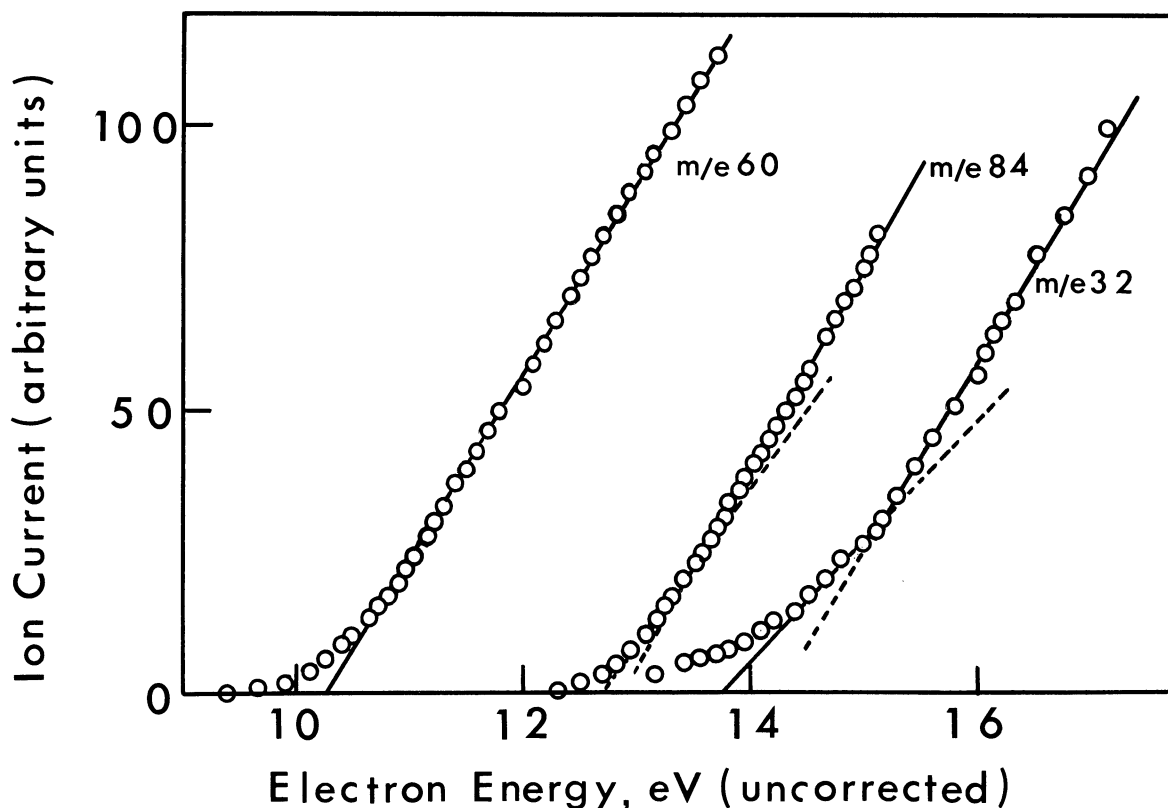


Figure 1. Ionization efficiency curves of  $\text{COS}^+$  (m/e 60),  $\text{S}^+$  (m/e 32) and  $\text{Kr}^+$  (m/e 84) for COS-Kr.

Table 1. Ionization potentials and appearance potentials for ions in COS system.

Ion	I.P. or A.P. ( eV )	
	This work	Ref. 8
$\text{COS}^+ ( \tilde{X}^2\Pi )$	11.6	11.18, 11.23
$\text{COS}^+ ( \tilde{A}^2\Pi )$		15.08
$\text{COS}^+ ( \tilde{B}^2\Pi )$		16.04
$\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 )$	15.1	
$\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$	16.7	

reported by Brundle and Turner.<sup>10)</sup> Therefore, we may regard that  $\text{COS}^+$  observed at higher electron energy than the appearance potential of  $\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 )$ , 15.1 eV, is still in the ground state ( $\tilde{X}^2\Pi$ ). The energy difference between the appearance potentials obtained for  $\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 )$  and  $\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$  is 1.6 eV, which agrees with the difference, 1.8 eV, between their recombination energies.<sup>4)</sup> The cuneate line for  $\text{S}^+$  in Figure 1 may be empirically expressed by

$$I_1 = 14.54(V - 1.326) - 199.6 \quad V \leq 16.7 \quad [ \text{I-a} ]$$

$$I_2 = 27.85(V - 1.326) - 398.8 \quad V \geq 16.7 \quad [ \text{I-b} ]$$

where  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are ion intensities of  $\text{S}^+$  in arbitrary units,  $V$  electron energy in electron volt, 16.7 the appearance potential of  $\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$ , and 1.326 the calibration energy based on the ionization potential for  $\text{Kr}^+$ .

If we assume reasonably that the ionization efficiency curve of  $\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 )$  at the higher electron energy range than the appearance potential of  $\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$  can be expressed by the empirical formula [I-a], the fraction,  $f(V)$  of the excited state  $\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$  to the total  $\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 \text{ and } ^2\text{D}^0 )$  at electron energy,  $V$  eV, can be given by the following

$$f(V) = \frac{I_2 - I_1}{I_2} = \frac{I_{32}^*}{I_{32} + I_{32}^*} = \frac{13.31V - 216.8}{27.85V - 435.7} \quad V \geq 16.7 \quad [ \text{II} ]$$

where  $I_{32}$  and  $I_{32}^*$  are the ion intensities of  $\text{S}^+ ( ^4\text{S}^0 )$  and  $\text{S}^+ ( ^2\text{D}^0 )$ , respectively. Even at the highest electron energy, 18.3 eV, the ion intensity ratios of the sulfur containing primary ions were  $\text{COS}^+ : \text{S}^+ : \text{CS}^+ : \text{OS}^+ = 945 : 100 : 2.93 : 0.02$ . So, the significant reaction processes forming  $\text{S}_2^+$  in this system are considered to be as

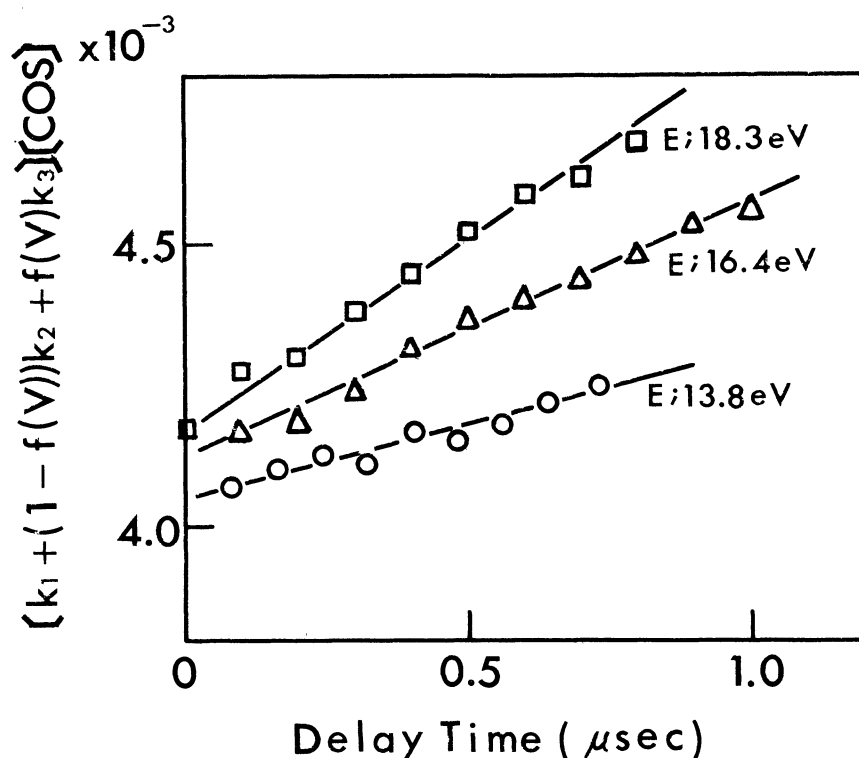


Figure 2. Plots of  $[k_1 + (1 - f(V))k_2 + f(V)k_3][\text{COS}]$  vs delay time at 13.8, 16.4 and 18.3 eV, electron energy in COS system.

follows:



Hence, the secondary ions  $\text{S}_2^+$  as a function of reaction time is given by

$$I_{64} = [I_{60}k_1 + (I_{32} + I_{32}^*)(1 - f(V))k_2 + f(V)k_3][\text{COS}]t + C \quad [\text{III}]$$

where  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$  are the rate constants for reactions (1), (2) and (3) respectively,  $I_{64}$  the ion intensity of  $\text{S}_2^+$ ,  $I_{60}$  the ion intensity of  $\text{COS}^+$ ,  $t$  the reaction time and  $C$  a constant. Selecting energy of ionizing electron, each of the reactions (1), (2) and (3) can be separated. Figure 2 shows the  $I_{64}/I_{60}$  vs reaction time plots obtained at 13.8, 16.4 and 18.3 eV. At 13.8 eV the reaction (1) occurs, at 16.4 eV

the reactions (1) and (2), and at 18.3 eV the reactions (1), (2) and (3), respectively. At 18.3 eV, it can be estimated according to Eq.(II) that 64 % of the  $S^+$  ions primarily produced are in  $4S^0$  state and the remainder in  $2D^0$  state. From the slopes of the plots and the ion intensity ratio, we can obtain the rate constants of the reactions (1), (2) and (3), as given in Table 2.

Table 2. Rate constants in COS system.

Reaction	$k \text{ ( cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1} ) \times 10^{11}$		
	This work	Ref. 11	
		Pressure method	Pulsing method**
(1)	3.9 <sub>7</sub>	3.7	32
(2)	11.6	24*	54
(3)	33.1		

\* This rate constant would correspond to  $[(1 - f(20))k_2 + f(20)k_3]$ .

\*\* Measured under the conditions of  $P_{N_2} \simeq 2$  Torr and  $P_{COS} \simeq 5$  mTorr.

The values obtained for  $k_1$  of  $3.9_7 \times 10^{-11}$  and for  $k_2$  of  $11.6 \times 10^{-11}$  are only  $\sim 1/8$  of  $32 \times 10^{-11}$  and  $\sim 1/5$  of  $54 \times 10^{-11}$  measured by Dzidic and co-workers<sup>11)</sup> using a quite different pulsing method, respectively. As having been already discussed by Dzidic and co-workers, their measurement of  $k_1$  would contain the large contribution of the charge exchange reaction between  $COS^+$  and  $H_2S$  as an impurity. As to  $k_2$ , similarly, it is possible to account for their anomalously large value by postulating the occurrence of the charge exchange reaction between  $S^+$  and  $H_2S$ .<sup>12)</sup> However, the values for  $k_1$  of  $3.9_7 \times 10^{-11}$  and for  $[(1 - f(V))k_2 + f(V)k_3]$  of  $19.4 \times 10^{-11}$  ( $f(V) = 0.36$ , at  $V = 18.3$  eV), which corresponds to  $22.2 \times 10^{-11}$  ( $f(V) = 0.41$ , at  $V = 20$  eV), are rather in good agreement with  $3.7 \times 10^{-11}$  and  $24 \times 10^{-11}$  calculated from their cross section measurement at electron energy 20 eV by using the Stevenson relationship. The result that the reactivity of the excited state  $S^+$  ( $2D^0$ ) for  $S_2^+$  formation is about 3 times as great as that of the ground state  $S^+$  ( $4S^0$ ) despite the high exothermicity of their reactions is of some interest. Implication of this result, however, still remains to be inquired.

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