

Chapter 7

THE HALOGENS AND HYDROGEN

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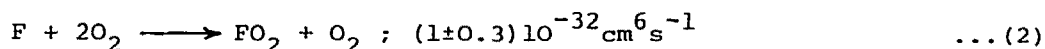
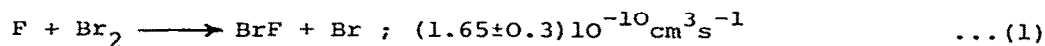
7.1 THE HALOGENS

7.1.1 The Elements

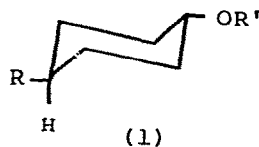
The preparation and use of ^{18}F -labelled inorganic compounds have been reviewed by Winfield.¹ Topol' and Dement'ev² have reported SCF-X α scattered wave calculations for fluorine in its ground and excited electronic states.

Potential energy models for the interactions in solid chlorine have been re-examined:³ using isotropic potential functions a partial intermolecular bond is required as well as a molecular quadrupole interaction, but not a dipole term.

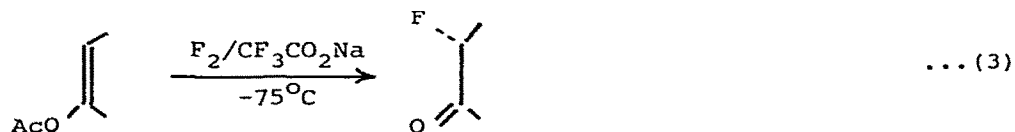
Mercury arc photolysis of codeposits of Ar/CH₄ and Ar/F₂ at 15K has produced new i.r. bands which have been ascribed to the CH₃F...HF complex, with H-F and C-F stretches at 3774 and 1003 cm⁻¹, respectively.⁴ Warming the matrix to 25K to allow diffusion and reaction (in the dark) gave rise to new absorptions assigned to H₃C...HF, $\nu(\text{H-F})$ 3764 cm⁻¹. The rate constants of the reaction of F atoms with HBr, Br₂ or O₂ have been calculated from the delayed HF-lasing characteristics.⁵ Two reactions and their rate constants are given in equations (1) and (2).



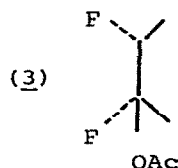
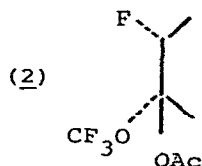
Rozen et al.⁶ have reported selective and efficient (ca. 60%) heterogeneous fluorinations of tertiary C-H bonds by means of dilute F_2 gas at -70°C . Competitive fluorinations of (1)



established that the compound with $\text{R}=\text{t-Bu}$ reacts faster than that with $\text{R}=\text{Me}$, thus supporting an ionic electrophilic mechanism. Furthermore, a study of reactions in solution showed that, in non-polar CFCl_3 , polyfluorinated products are formed rapidly whereas in more polar systems, containing at least 50% CHCl_3 which is a good radical scavenger, the reaction is slower and more controlled. Further support for a polar electrophilic substitution mechanism involving F_2 comes from the work of Cacace et al.⁷ They investigate the direct fluorination of a representative range of aromatic substrates, e.g. PhH , PhMe , PhF , PhCl , PhBr , PhNO_2 , PhCN and PhOMe , in inert solvents over the temperature range -154° to $+40^\circ\text{C}$. A mixture of electrophilic fluorinating agents, generated by the action of F_2 on $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{Na}$ at -75°C , has been used to convert a variety of enol acetates to the corresponding α -fluoroketones, process (3).⁸ The authors claim



that the products were obtained in good yield and free of adducts of the type (2) and (3), which are produced when CF_3OF is the



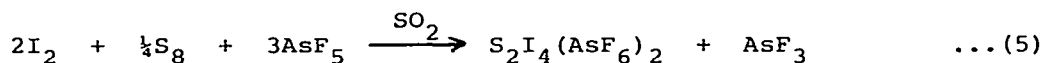
fluorinating agent.

Cartlett and coworkers⁹ have established that equilibrium (4) involving elemental fluorine is occurring at room temperature between two of the intercalation compounds formed when pyrolytic graphite reacts with GeF_4 and F_2 . The first stage material,



$\text{C}_{12}\text{GeF}_6$, which loses F_2 in a dynamic vacuum, must be capable of acting as a powerful fluorinating agent.

The effect of traces of water on the kinetics of the reaction between Cl_2 and I_2 in CCl_4 has been studied at 293K;¹⁰ it has been confirmed that water exerts a catalytic effect. The reaction rate (at 298K) was shown to be dependent on the concentration of Cl_2 , I_2 and H_2O , all to the first power. The enthalpies of mixing of Br_2 with S_8 , EtBr , hexane, hexadecane, or pyridine at 298K, or with I_2 at 323K have been reported:¹¹ ΔH_f° for SBr_n , $n=0.5, 1, 2$ and 4 , and ΔH_f^{323} for BrI ($-0.52 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$) were deduced. The electrical conductivity of X_2 , $\text{X}=\text{Br}$ or I , in both liquid and solid states, containing up to 0.03M halide ion has been measured.¹² In Br_2 the conductivity increases dramatically upon solidification: mixtures of Br_2 with a small amount of PhNO_2 have an equivalent conductivity as high as $12 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1} \Omega$ at -25°C . The $\text{S}_2\text{I}_4^{2+}$ cation has been prepared for the first time by Passmore et al.¹³ The AsF_6^- salt was produced by reaction (5). The structure of the C_2 symmetry cation, Figure 1, approximates to a



right triangular prism with $\text{I}-\text{I} = 2.597(2)\text{\AA}$, which is intermediate between that distance in $\text{I}_2(\text{g})$, 2.662 , and in I_2^+ , 2.557\AA ; surprisingly the new dication is not isostructural with P_2I_4 . Uruska¹⁴ has determined the stability constants for the formation of I_2 complexes with quinoline and 6-chloroquinoline, in a range of solvents.

The disproportionation of dilute aqueous iodine solutions, between pH 7 and 10, has been reinvestigated by a combination of spectrophotometric and potentiometric methods.¹⁵ The rapid hydrolysis of I_2 to HOI is followed by a slow disproportionation to IO_3^- and I^- . The rate equation (6) was found to describe the rate of disproportionation between pH 7 and 14. The reaction of I_2 with

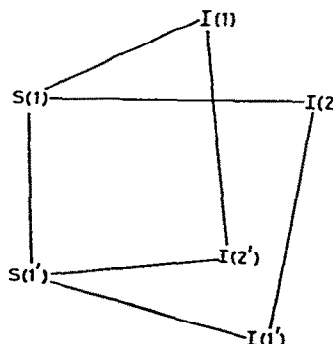


Figure 1. The structure of $S_2I_4^{2+}$, $S(1)-S(1')$ 1.828, $S(1)-I(1)$ 2.858, $S(1)-I(2)$ 3.195, $I(1)-I(2')$ 2.597 Å, $I(1)-S(1)-I(2)$ 89.5, $S(1')-S(1)-I(2)$ 92.9, $S(1')-S(1)-I(1)$ 101.6° (reproduced by permission from J. Chem. Soc. Chem. Commun., (1980)289).

$$-d[\Sigma I_2]/dt = (2.5 \pm 1.6) 10^{-2} [HOI]^2 + (1.2 \pm 0.1) 10^2 [HOI] [OI^-] \quad \dots (6)$$

aqueous base to generate IO_3^- and I^- has potential value as part of a thermochemical cycle for splitting water, i.e. thermal decomposition of IO_3^- to O_2 and hydrolysis of I^- to HI followed by decomposition to H_2 . Mason et al.¹⁶ have examined the reaction between I_2 and hydrated MO, M=Mg, Ca, Sr or Ba. Product separation between insoluble iodate and soluble iodide tends to be incomplete: the best separation was achieved using 5MgO/BaO, which gave the highest yield (76%). Lin¹⁷ has described the chemical forms of radioiodine in the boiling water reactor (BWR) systems: I^- and perhaps HOI are the major species in the reactor water and condensate during normal operation. Following reactor shutdown, IO_3^- , formed by radiation induced oxidation of I^- , dominates. The volatile iodine species, particularly HOI, are believed to be involved in the iodine carryover process, while organic iodides predominate in the off-gas. The variation between 0.2 and 2.5% iodine carryover in the present generation of BWR's is attributed to the effect of coolant impurities, especially Cu^{2+} , on the radiation chemistry of iodine in water.

7.1.2 Halides

The stepwise bond dissociation energies for SF_n have been evaluated on the basis of known heats of formation and from newly determined bond dissociation energies for $\text{F}_5\text{S-F}$ and $\text{F}_3\text{S-F}$.¹⁸ The combined results are depicted in Figure 2, which clearly shows the striking alternation in magnitude.

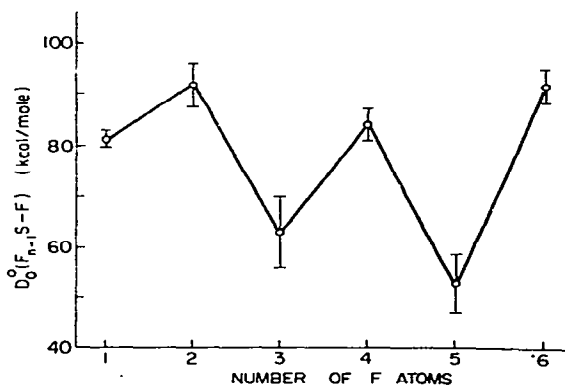
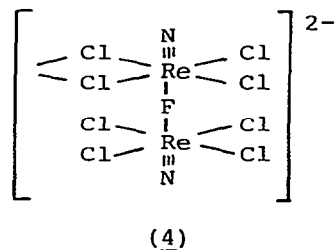


Figure 2. The sulphur fluoride bond dissociation energies as a function of the number of fluorine atoms. (Reproduced by permission from J. Am. Chem. Soc., 102(1980)4024).

The reaction of Ph_4AsF in MeCN with ReNCl_4 has yielded $(\text{Ph}_4\text{As})_2[\text{Re}_2\text{FN}_2\text{Cl}_7]$:¹⁹ the anion in the new compound is thought to have an essentially dimeric structure (4) for which a strong i.r. band (at 537 cm^{-1}) was assigned to the asymmetric Re-F-Re stretching

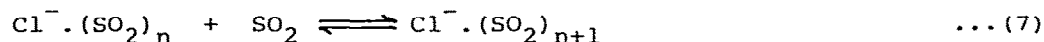


motion. The i.r. and Raman spectra of solutions of Et_4NF in liquid HCl have been obtained and it is proposed that the solvation number of F^- is 4.²⁰

Emsley et al.²¹ have prepared single crystals of the 1:1 adduct

of KF and succinic acid and determined its crystal structure. The fluoride ion lies on a mirror plane and is H-bonded to two carboxylate hydrogens of different succinic acid molecules. Interestingly the F...H and H-O distances are 1.575 and 0.90 Å and the FHO angle is $160(2)^\circ$, so that the F...O distance is only 2.44 Å. Broad line ^1H and ^{19}F n.m.r. data have been used to derive structural parameters for $\text{CaF}_2 \cdot 2\text{HF}$ and $\text{MF}_2 \cdot \text{HF}$, $\text{M}=\text{Sr}$ or Ba ; ²² the HF_2^- ion is present in all three structures. The products of reaction of dry HNO_3 and the fluorides of Na and Cs have been characterised by Gillard and coworkers. ²³ An unstable intermediate from CsF apparently contains the H-bonded FHONO_2^- ion which loses HF readily. The thermodynamic properties of the liquid mixtures $\text{MF} \cdot \text{M}_2\text{SO}_4$, $\text{M}=\text{Li}$, Na or K, have been studied by calorimetric and cryoscopic measurements. ²⁴ The enthalpies of mixing are small and mostly negative : poor agreement was reported between 'experimental' partial entropies and those calculated from the Temkin model.

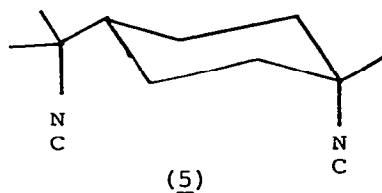
A transient absorbing at about 3400 Å (band width ca. 1000 Å) was observed after photolysis of aqueous NaCl solutions in the concentration range 5×10^{-4} to 2M. ²⁵ The band was attributed to Cl_2^- . A high pressure mass spectrometric technique has been used to determine the enthalpies of formation of SO_2Cl^- and $(\text{SO}_2)_2\text{Cl}^-$. ²⁶ The results for the gas phase reactions (7) yield



heats of reaction -21.8 and -12.3 kcal mol⁻¹ for $n=0$ and $n=1$ respectively. These results are consistent with the estimated values published in 1979 by Robbani and Franklin.

In the ion exchange chromatographic separation of the chlorine isotopes the role of the eluant has been investigated by Heumann and Baier. ²⁷ The same workers (with Wibmer) ²⁸ have used hydrous ZrO_2 in a column to separate I^- , Br^- and Cl^- ; these anions were eluted in that order and an enrichment of the chlorine isotope ($^{35}\text{Cl}^-$ is eluted first) was also reported.

Gladfelter and Gray ²⁹ have reported that chloride or bromide ions(X) are complexed in a stable binuclear nickel derivative $[\text{Ni}_2\text{X}(\text{dmb})_4](\text{PF}_6)_3$, where dmb is p-1,8-diisocyanomethane (5). The dmb ligand bridges the metal atoms in $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{CN})_4(\text{dmb})_2]$ (Ni...Ni 4.33 Å) and in $[\text{Rh}_2(\text{dmb})_4]^{2+}$ (Rh...Rh 4.4-8 Å), so that the

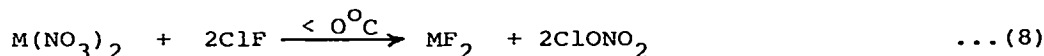


nickel atom in $\text{Ni}_2(\text{dmb})_4^{4+}$ can be expected to encapsulate ions such as Cl^- or Br^- . Thiocyanate ions also interact with this Ni_2^{4+} entity but the resulting complex is converted to $[\text{Ni}_2\text{Cl}(\text{dmb})_4]^{3+}$ by the addition of one equivalent of Cl^- .

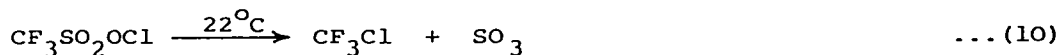
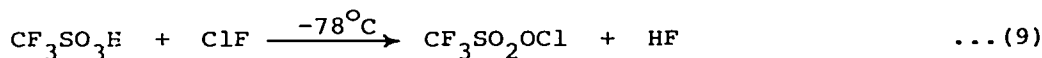
An iodide ion-selective electrode has been used to measure the rate of oxidation of I^- by IO_4^- :³⁰ by contrast with earlier studies no pH dependence was apparent over the range 25 - 35°C.

7.1.3 Interhalogens and Related Species

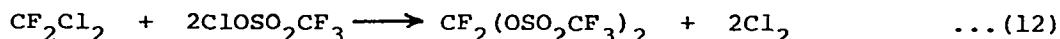
A study has been made of the kinetics and mechanism of the thermal decomposition of ClF in the range 90°C-250°C, 0.3-0.8 atm.³¹ The reported activation energies are 8.8 ± 1.0 and 15.2 ± 1.0 kcal mol^{-1} at 90°C and 250°C, respectively. Chlorine nitrate, ClONO_2 , has been produced in a high degree of purity by the single stage reaction of the type shown (8).³² The yield is highest (92%)



when the anhydrous metal nitrate used is $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$: lower yields are obtained from the alkaline earth metal nitrates. The synthesis, reaction (9), and characterisation of chlorine trifluoromethanesulphonate has been reported by DesMarteau and coworkers.³³ The product is unstable at 22°C, decomposing



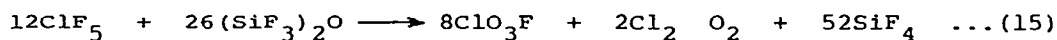
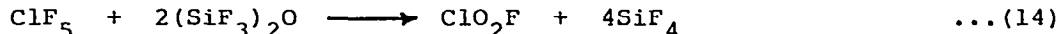
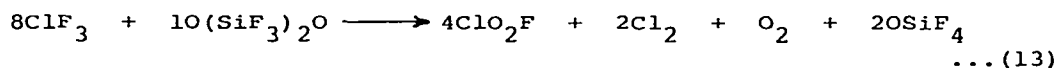
according to reaction (10). The reactions of the chlorine(I) compound with a variety of perfluoroalkyl halides were described.³⁴ Perfluoroalkyl esters were formed in reactions of type (11): disubstituted products were obtained from CF_2Cl_2 (above -50°C),



equation (12), and from $(\text{CBrF}_2)_2$. An S_{Ei} -type mechanism was proposed for the reactions.

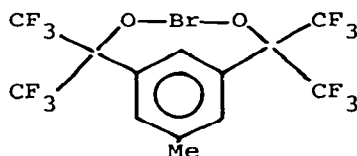
Fluorine atoms, produced by a microwave discharge in NF_3 , codeposited with CF_3X , $\text{X}=\text{Cl}$, Br or I , in an Ar matrix at 14K are reported to form CF_3XF as a reaction intermediate.³⁵ On the basis of the i.r. study these new species have a bent C-X-F skeleton; when photolysed with medium pressure Hg arc radiation CF_4 was generated. It was suggested by Jacox that CF_3ClF may be relatively stable.

Chlorine (III) and chlorine(V) fluorides react with $(\text{SiF}_3)_2\text{O}$ according to equations (13) and (14);³⁶ with excess $(\text{SiF}_3)_2\text{O}$ the chlorine(V) intermediate ClO_2F also disproportionates, equation (15).

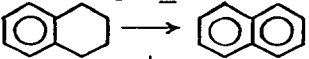


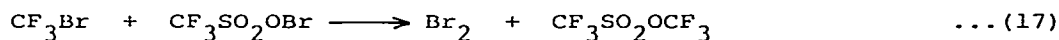
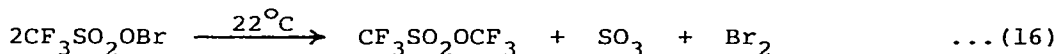
Waddington and coworkers³⁷ have prepared both chloro- and bromo-trimethylammonium salts, Me_3NX^+ , by a variety of methods (see Chapter 5). Both cations are quite stable in the solid phase as salts of anions such as BF_4^- or SO_3F^- . Haag³⁸ has demonstrated that N-bromo-N-chloroamines exist and he has prepared and characterised MeNBrCl in CCl_4 solution. Chlorine(I) thiocyanate has been shown to be ClSCN by microwave spectroscopy.³⁹

The isolation and characterisation of the first organobrominane (6) has been reported.⁴⁰ It is thermally and hydrolytically stable



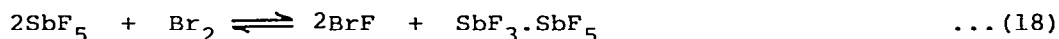
(6)

at room temperature, sublimes at 60°C in vacuo and melts at 153-4°C. A number of oxidation reactions involving (6) were outlined, e.g. $\text{PhSH} \rightarrow \text{PhSSPh}$, $\text{PhNH}_2 \rightarrow \text{PhN=NPh}$, . A simplified synthetic route to the known compounds $\text{Br}_2^+\text{Sb}_3\text{F}_{16}^-$ and $\text{I}_2^+\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}^-$ involves the oxidation of the halogen by $\text{S}_2\text{O}_6\text{F}_2$ followed by solvolysis of the SO_3F^- anion in excess SbF_5 .⁴¹ The results of a detailed magnetic and spectroscopic study of materials prepared in this way were also reported. The reaction of excess BrOSO_2F with gold yields $\text{Br}_3[\text{Au}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_4]$ containing the Br_3^+ cation:⁴² this salt will add Br_2 to produce a compound of low thermal stability which apparently contains Br_5^+ . Chlorine(I) trifluoromethanesulphonate oxidises Br_2 to form the previously unreported bromine(I) compound.³³ The decomposition of the latter, equation (16), probably proceeds



via CF_3Br , since reaction (17) was shown to occur.

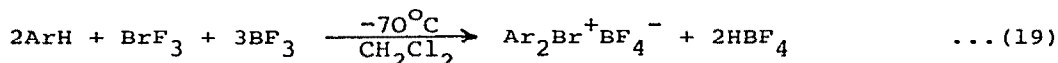
Passmore et al.⁴³ have investigated Ruff's observation that the fluorination of AsF_3 by SbF_5 is catalysed by trace quantities of Br_2 . They have proposed that BrF , equilibrium (18), is the reactive intermediate responsible for the oxidation. Experimental



data have been published for the reaction between gaseous Br_2 and F_2 at pressures in the range 1-200 torr and at 293K.⁴⁴ A mechanism involving the intermediates BrF , BrF_2 and BrF_4 was proposed. Miller and Andrews could not demonstrate the formation of BrF as a result of the photolysis of CHFBr_2 , although IF could be synthesised in this way.⁴⁵ The nature of the bonding in the fluorides and oxides of bromine has been investigated by Kirillov and Klimenko⁴⁶ with ab initio m.o. calculations.

The bromine(III) cation, $[\text{Br}(\text{OSO}_2\text{F})_2]^+$, has now been stabilised as its $[\text{Au}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_4]^-$ salt:⁴² the synthesis involves the oxidation of stoichiometric amounts of Br_2 and Au metal by excess $\text{S}_2\text{O}_6\text{F}_2$. Diarylbromonium salts, which are excellent arylating agents, are now available by the convenient synthetic reaction (19).⁴⁷

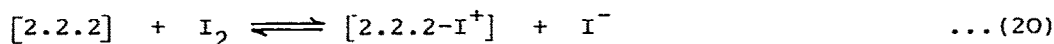
Sukhoverkhov et al.⁴⁸ have studied BrF_5 and its complexes with



SbF_5 by ^{81}Br and Sb n.q.r. spectroscopy.

Bromine(V) fluoride appears to react with uncomplexed MOF_4 , $\text{M}=\text{Mo}$ or W , abstracting oxygen and forming MF_6 and unstable BrOF_3 or BrO_2F .⁴⁹ On the other hand, Jacob³⁶ reports that BrF_5 does not react with $(\text{SiF}_3)_2\text{O}$. Pentafluorophenylbromine(V) tetrafluoride has been prepared in 24% yield by the oxidation of $\text{C}_6\text{F}_5\text{Br}$ with F_2 at 128°C .⁵⁰ The ^{19}F n.m.r. spectrum of the C_6F_5 group, the i.r. and mass spectra of $\text{C}_6\text{F}_5\text{BrF}_4$ were reported.

The first example of a positive halogen ion cryptation has been claimed by Pierre et al.⁵¹ The interaction of the cryptand, $[2.2.2]$, $\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$, occurs as shown in equation (20) for which the equilibrium constant, $[2.2.2\text{-I}^+][\text{I}^-]/[2.2.2][\text{I}_2]$, is greater than 10^7 . The electrical conductivity and the p.m.r.



spectrum are all consistent with this formulation. The action of an I^+ donating reagent, N-iodosuccinimide, iodine nitrate or I_2 , on $[\text{en}_2\text{Co}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)]^{2+}$ yields the relatively stable cation $\{[\text{en}_2\text{Co}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2)]_2\text{I}\}^{5+}$, in which the metal-coordinated S atoms are symmetrically linked through the iodine, S-I bond length $2.619(2)\text{\AA}$ and SIS angle $173.0(1)^\circ$.⁵² These parameters are comparable with those in the $[(\text{NH}_2)_2\text{CS}]_2\text{I}^+$ ion.

The simplified synthetic route to $[\text{I}_2][\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}]$ has been mentioned above.⁴¹ In the same publication an unsuccessful attempt to isolate IBr^+ was described: the reaction of 5I_2^+ and 9Br_2^+ in $\text{HSO}_3\text{F-SbF}_5$ yielded instead IBr_2^+ and an uncharacterised iodine(V) species. Iodine-127 Mössbauer spectra of some polyhalide ions of the type $(\text{X-I-Y})^-$ as well as of $[\text{I}_2][\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}]$ and $\text{I}(\text{py})_2\text{NO}_3$ have been recorded and compared with available data for related compounds.⁵³

The interhalogen IF has been generated by the vacuum u.v. photolysis of CHF_2I or CHF_2I_2 ;⁴⁵ it was subsequently trapped in an argon matrix at 12K. A series of 1:1 adducts of ICl with pyridine derivatives has been investigated by molecular spectroscopy.⁵⁴ Many adducts were covalent, however when CHCl_3 was used as solvent, the 2-methylpyridine, 1,10-phenanthroline and acridine compounds were shown to be ionic.

The interaction of Ph_4PN_3 and IN_3 in CH_2Cl_2 produces $\text{Ph}_4\text{P}[\text{I}(\text{N}_3)_2]$.⁵⁵ Details of the anion structure could not be completed owing to disorder in the crystal. The first structural determination of a hydrated triiodide salt, $\text{KI}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$, has been completed:⁵⁶ neutron diffraction was used since the compound shows poor stability to X-rays. The linear anions were found to be nearly symmetrical, with I-I distances 2.925 and 2.935(3) Å.

A strong resonance Raman fundamental, at $113 \pm 1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, together with five overtones, has been reported for I_3^- in a matrix:⁵⁷ there are also strong u.v. absorptions at 287 and 355 nm. These results are in excellent agreement with previous solution spectra. The structure of the blue-black iodine complex of amylose (the "linear", helical component of starch) as prepared either from I_2 and I^- in aqueous solution or from crystalline amylose and iodine vapour, has been studied by resonance Raman and ^{129}I Mössbauer spectroscopy.⁵⁸ Both materials contain the same major chromophore involving the I_5^- ion. The material produced by the action of I_2 vapour generates I^- either by hydrolysis or by alcoholysis: the hypoiodite also formed in this way was observed in the Mössbauer spectrum.

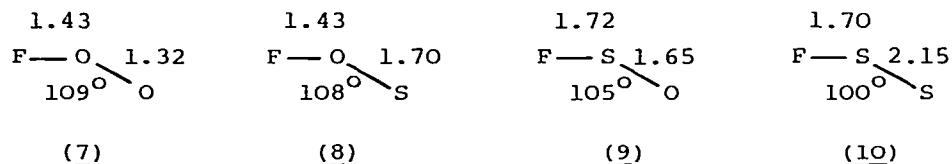
The iodine(III) cation, $[\text{I}(\text{OSO}_2\text{F})_2]^+$, has been stabilised as its $[\text{Au}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_4]^-$ salt.⁴² A related compound, $\text{R}_\text{F}\text{I}(\text{OSO}_2\text{F})_2$, has been isolated as a product of the reaction of a primary perfluoroalkyl iodide, $\text{R}_\text{F}\text{I}$, with a halogen(I) fluorosulphate:⁵⁹ on the other hand $i\text{-C}_3\text{F}_7\text{I}$ was converted to $[(i\text{-C}_3\text{F}_7)_2\text{I}]^+[\text{I}(\text{OSO}_2\text{F})_4]^-$. Ruppert⁶⁰ describes the preparation of aryliodinedifluorides by the direct fluorination of aryl iodides in solution in CFCl_3 . The iodine(III) compounds precipitate during the course of the reaction and are not readily oxidised further: yields in the range 70-90% were obtained. Naumann and Rüther⁶¹ have prepared a wider range of compounds of this class. They characterised their products more fully and also report that the degree of fluorination to aryliodine(V) compounds can be correlated with the reaction temperature. The direct fluorination of MeI at -110°C in CFCl_3 has been described:⁶² under these mild conditions the product obtained was CF_3IF_2 .

The standard heat of formation of IF_5 has been redetermined as $884.7 \pm 1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.⁶³ This is in excellent agreement with the results of the earlier studies by Woolf and by Settle et al.. Two new solid-solid phase transitions have been identified by Weulersse et al.⁶⁴ from their n.m.r. (^{19}F and ^{127}I) and n.q.r.

(¹²⁷I) studies on IF₇ over the temperature range 56K to the melting point. This compound does not appear to be affected by (SiF₃)₂O unlike the chlorine fluorides.³⁶

7.1.4 Oxides, Oxide Halides and Oxoanions

A new study of the reaction of fluorine atoms with O₂ in an Ar matrix has confirmed and extended the vibrational data on O₂F;⁶⁵ the data are consistent with there being an O-O stretching mode in the 1250-1300 cm⁻¹ region. SCF-MO calculations for the radical species O₂F and the related thioanalogues, (7)-(10), using the sp basis set, have yielded the geometries shown (distances in Å).⁶⁶ The microwave spectrum of fluoroperoxytrifluoromethane,



CF₃OOF, has been investigated and ground state structural parameters obtained:⁶⁷ O-O and O-F distances, 1.380±0.026 and 1.434±0.018Å respectively. These are in reasonable agreement with the set of data from a recent gas-phase electron diffraction study. The electrochemical production of OF₂ by the electrolysis of HF containing 0 to 20% water has been reinvestigated.⁶⁸

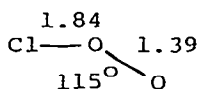
The reaction of R_FCO₂H, R_F=CF₃, C₂F₅, n-C₃F₇, or ClCF₂, with F₂ in the presence of CsF at -111°C yields the corresponding 1,1-bis(fluoroxy)perhaloalkane in high yield.⁶⁹ The fluorination of (CF₂CO₂H)₂ forms [CF₂CF(OF)₂]₂ but the compound could not be characterised owing to its explosive nature above -20°C. A convenient, two-step method for the introduction of fluorine adjacent to the carbonyl group of ketones, aldehydes, esters and amides has been described.⁷⁰ The carbonyl is initially converted to the trimethylsilyl enol ether, which is then treated with CF₃OF at -70°C : since the byproducts of reaction (21) are all gaseous,



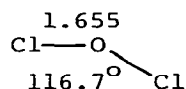
work-up is straightforward. The decomposition and some reactions of aqueous solutions of the fluoroxysulphate ion, FOSO₃⁻, have

been reported by Thompson and Appleman.⁷¹ Oxygen transfer does not appear to be significant in the oxidations studied, although fluorine transfer is involved in the oxidation of Cr^{2+} to CrF^{2+} (ca. 45%) and of $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{ClO}_2]^{2+}$ to ClO_2 and $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{F}]^{2+}$.

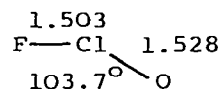
A mixture of Cl_2 , O_2 and Ar after passage through a microwave discharge yielded a condensate at 10-22K with the absorption spectrum of ClO .⁷² SCF-MO calculations for ClOO ,⁶⁶ Cl_2O and FCLO ⁷³ have been carried out by Hinchcliffe; the optimised geometries, distances in Å, are shown in (11) to (13). The



(11)



(12)



(13)

experimental values for Cl_2O are $1.70 \pm 0.02 \text{ Å}$ and $110.8 \pm 1^\circ$. The structure of $\text{CF}_3\text{O}_2\text{Cl}$ has been determined from its microwave spectrum:⁷⁴ the ground state structural parameters are in reasonable agreement with those obtained by electron diffraction. Asymmetrical ClO.O_2 is a possible agent responsible for the effect of O_2 on the quantum yield of the Cl_2 -photosensitised O_3 decomposition.⁷⁵

A spectrophotometric study of the kinetics of the reaction between HNO_2 and ClO_2^- has identified both a chloride-catalysed pathway as well as an uncatalysed one.⁷⁶ A mechanism involving peroxonitrite and HOCl as intermediates was said to be consistent with the data. The nature of the products of the low temperature reactions between amines and ClO_2 depends on the availability of replaceable protons on carbon or nitrogen atoms.⁷⁷ In the absence of such protons a 1:1 adduct is formed.

The electronic spectra of XO_3^- , $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ or I , have been investigated by an SCF- $\text{X}\alpha$ study.⁷⁸ The results, for valence levels only, for all three species are summarised in Table 1; there are a number of changes in the assignments compared with those made with the help of a minimal basis set.

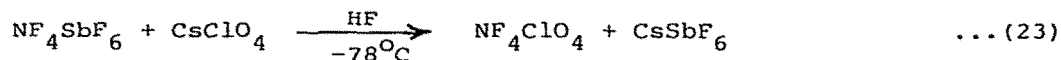
Emeish⁷⁹ has studied the kinetics of the reaction between NO_2^- and ClO_3^- in water and aqueous dioxan. The rate equation (22) applies to both systems; decreasing the dielectric constant

$$\text{Rate} = k[\text{HNO}_2][\text{ClO}_3^-][\text{H}^+] \quad \dots (22)$$

Table 1. Ionisation Energies, I_i (eV) for XO_3^- .

	ClO_3^-		BrO_3^-		IO_3^-	
	calc.	obs.	calc.	obs.	calc.	obs.
$1a_2$	10.2	11.2	10.2	11.5	10.1	10.4
$4a_1$	10.3		10.2		10.8	
$4e$	10.4		10.9		10.3	
$3e$	10.6	17.0	11.0	16.4	10.9	14.0
$2e$	17.7		15.0		13.65	
$3a_1$	17.7		15.0		13.65	
$2a_1$	22.1	21.7	22.5	22.4	20.0	19.5
$1e$	25.3	30.5	28.0	30.6	26.0	28.8
$1a_1$	32.7	34.4	34.5	33.6	28.5	30.0

enhances the rate and is thus consistent with the existence of H_2NClO_5 as the reaction intermediate. Central atom L X-ray emission energies and intensities have been calculated for ClO_4^- by the SCF-X α scattered wave M.O. method.⁸⁰ It was concluded that central atom 3d orbitals make larger contributions to the emission intensities than is indicated by the orbital populations. SCF-X α calculations of the ionisation energies of ClO_4^- , as well as the isoelectronic SO_4^{2-} and PO_4^{3-} , have been reported.⁸¹ The new data strongly support the original assignments of photoelectron spectroscopy. Christie et al.⁸² have used the metathetical reaction (23) to prepare NF_4ClO_4 : the new compound



was isolated and characterised but was found to decompose at $25^\circ C$ to NF_3 and $FOClO_3$.

The bonding in bromine oxides has been investigated by Kirillov and Klimenko⁴⁶ using ab initio M.O. calculations. Passage of Br_2 , O_2 and Ar through a microwave discharge has yielded⁷² a condensate at 10-22K whose absorption spectrum forces a revision of the earlier assignments of the gas phase spectrum for BrO .

Electrolytic oxidation of tetraalkylammonium bromides to the corresponding bromites has been reported:⁸³ the anodic process is quantitative with approximately 100% current efficiency, the

product precipitating from the aqueous solution. Oscillations in the bromide ion concentration during the oxidation of organic substrates by bromate ion in acidic solution have been reviewed by Noyes.⁸⁴ He reports that the oscillations in four classes of reaction can all be explained by a generalised mechanism, which is a minor modification of mechanisms reported earlier. In a fifth class of reaction he points out that switching is controlled by the concentration of HOBr rather than Br^- . The perbromate salt of NF_4^+ could not be isolated from the metathetical reaction of type (23);⁸² it decomposes in solution to give NF_3 , O_2 and FBrO_2 .

Schmeisser and coworkers⁸⁵ have described the use of ozone as an oxidiser for solutions of elemental iodine in strong inorganic acids as a route to the preparation of iodosyl compounds containing IO^+ . The production of the sulphate, fluorosulphate and nitrate from the anhydrous acids was reported: from the I_2/O_3 reaction in trifluoroacetic acid a product was isolated and partially characterised which contained iodine in the average oxidation state +4. The absorption and emission spectra of IO in an Ar matrix (10–22K) have been obtained from the condensate after a mixture of MeI, O_2 and Ar had been subjected to a microwave discharge.⁷²

The crystal structure of iodylbenzene, PhIO_2 , has been determined and the expected pyramidal geometry of the primary coordination sphere was confirmed, Figure 2.⁸⁶ Interestingly the $\text{O}(1)\text{IO}(2)$ angle was found to have opened out to 147.8° . Three further $\text{I}\cdots\text{O}$

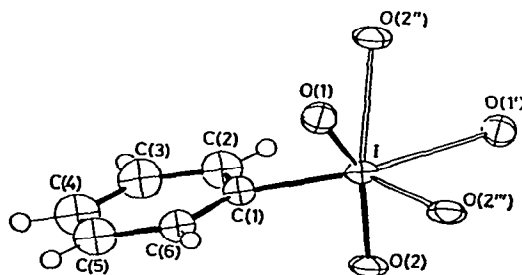


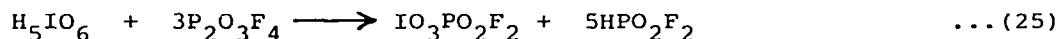
Figure 3. Molecular structure of iodylbenzene (reproduced by permission from J. Chem. Soc. Dalton Trans., (1980)115).

contacts, to O(1'), O(2'') and O(2'''), complete the pseudo-octahedral environment of the iodine.

Complex formation between Ag(I) and IO_3^- in equimolar (K,Na) IO_3 has been studied by e.m.f. measurements (from 523 to 623K) and solubility measurements (at 553K).⁸⁷ The data can be rationalised in terms of a model of stepwise formation of the complexes AgIO_3 , $\text{Ag}(\text{IO}_3)_2^-$ and Ag_2IO_3^+ . Kirilenko and Vinogradov⁸⁸ have reported the existence of some water-based glasses containing the IO_3^- ion.

Details of the syntheses of $\text{OI}(\text{OTeF}_5)_3$ and $\text{I}(\text{OTeF}_5)_5$ have been published.⁸⁹ Evidence from ^{19}F n.m.r. spectroscopy points to the formation of a wide range of compounds in solution of the type $\text{F}_x\text{I}(\text{OMF}_5)_{5-x}$, where M is either Te or Se. However in all instances fluorine occupies the axial position of the square-based pyramidal molecules; hence Seppelt and Lentz point out that both OTeF_5 and OSeF_5 behave as though these groups are more electronegative than fluorine.

The reactions of iodic and periodic acids with the anhydride of difluorophosphoric acid, equations (24) and (25), produce two new compounds.⁹⁰ They are hygroscopic yellow solids, which on the



basis of their Raman spectra are ionic derivatives containing IO_2^+ and IO_3^+ , respectively. The crystal structure of $(\text{IOF}_3 \cdot \text{IO}_2\text{F}_3)_2$ at -45°C has been determined and the tetranuclear unit, Figure 4, consists of two pyramidal IO_3F_2 and two octahedral IO_2F_4 units linked by asymmetric (134° bent), oxygen bridges.⁹¹ Weaker interactions (not shown) through other oxygen bridges serve to bind the dimers together to form sheets.

The standard enthalpy of formation of crystalline $(\text{IO}_2\text{F}_3)_2$, di- μ -oxo-bis(trifluorooxoiodine(VII)), has been determined as $-984 \pm 18 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ from measurement of the enthalpy of reaction with excess aqueous acidic iodide solution.⁹² The 1:1 adduct between IO_2F_3 and SbF_5 has been investigated by X-ray methods by Edwards and Hana.⁹³ The compound forms tetranuclear dimers comprising alternate SbF_4O_2 and IF_4O_2 units linked by asymmetric angular oxygen bridges (Sb-O and I-O are 2.05 and 1.80 Å). Such a structure points to a contribution from the ionic form $\text{SbF}_4^+ \text{IO}_2\text{F}_4^-$

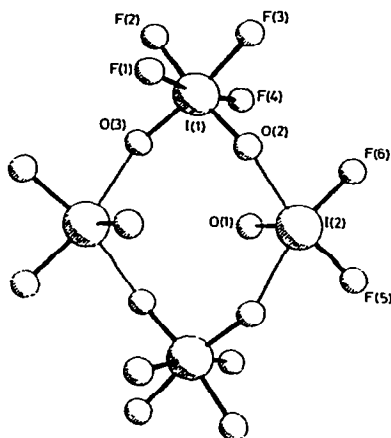


Figure 4. Structure of dimeric $\text{IOF}_3 \cdot \text{IO}_2\text{F}_3$ (reproduced by permission from J. Chem. Soc. Dalton Trans., (1980) 481).

in which IO_2F_3 is appearing as a stronger F^- acceptor unit than SbF_5 .

The reaction of IOF_5 with graphite has been shown by n.m.r. spectroscopy to produce principally graphite- IF_5 compounds.⁹⁴ However, there was evidence that some oxygenation of the graphite lattice was also occurring. The ratio $\text{IF}_5:\text{C}$ in the products of the IOF_5 reaction was found to be larger in some instances than in the products of reaction of IF_5 with graphite. The decomposition process, equation (26), can be rationalised mainly in terms of the



formation of gaseous O_2 ($\Delta H_{\text{dissoc}} = 494 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$) and of IF_5 ($\Delta H_{\text{F}}^{\text{O}} = -837.3 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$), the most stable fluoride of iodine.

The hexamolybdoperiodate anion, $[\text{IMo}_6\text{O}_{24}]^{5-}$, has been shown by X-ray crystallography⁹⁵ to be closely related to $[\text{TeMo}_6\text{O}_{24}]^{6-}$ and $[\text{CrMo}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{H}_6]^{3-}$: the structure of the iodine(VII)-containing anion, shown in Figure 5, has octahedral coordination of both I and Mo atoms by oxygen. The structure of $[\text{Li}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]_2[\text{Co}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{I}_3\text{O}_{24}] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ has also been reported:⁹⁶ it contains a new type of heteropolyanion in which one Co^{3+} is at the centre of a planar hexagon and three

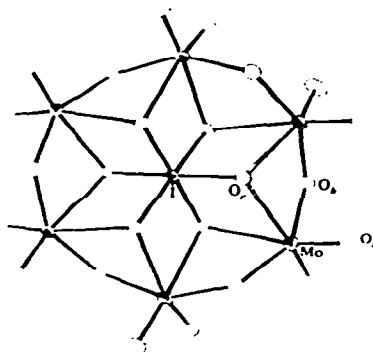


Figure 5. Structure of the $[\text{IMo}_6\text{O}_{24}]^{5-}$ Anderson-type polyanion viewed perpendicular to the hexagon of the six Mo atoms (reproduced by permission from Acta Cryst., B36(1980) 661).

I(VII) and three Co^{3+} are located peripherally at the corners of the hexagon. The complex anion is related to many hexaheteropolymolybdates and tungstates.

7.1.5 Hydrogen Halides

Microwave spectroscopy is a technique which has proved to be fruitful experimentally for weakly bonded dimers. Millen et al.⁹⁷ have observed the rotational spectra of $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{HF}$ with a range of isotopic labels. They conclude that the H-bonded hetero-dimer is either planar with C_{2v} symmetry or pyramidal with C_s symmetry, but with a low barrier to inversion at the oxygen. The $\text{O}\cdots\text{F}$ distance is 2.662\AA . The oxetane, $(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{O}$, hetero-dimer with HF has also been identified and characterised by i.r. and microwave spectroscopy.⁹⁸ Hydrogen-bonded π -complexes of acetylene with the three hydrogen halides (not HI) have been characterised in Ar matrices at 15K by i.r. spectroscopy.⁹⁹ They were produced either by codeposition of the reagents or by vacuum u.v. photolysis of the vinyl halides: the hydrogen bond strength decreases along the series $\text{HF} > \text{HCl} > \text{HBr}$. Ethylene was found to be equally as good an acceptor as C_2H_2 towards HF; the H-F stretching vibrations in

the complexes were located at $3732(\text{C}_2\text{H}_2)$ and $3747(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)$ cm^{-1} .

Giguère and Turrell¹⁰⁰ have presented additional spectroscopic evidence to confirm the predominance of the $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+\text{F}^-$ ion pair in aqueous hydrofluoric acid. They claim that the deuterium analogue is less strongly associated and less extensively ionised. The enthalpies of solution of KF and CsF in the H_2O -HF system have been measured calorimetrically.¹⁰¹ Both solutes produce a minimum value in ca. 1M aqueous HF : at higher HF concentrations the enthalpy change rises linearly.

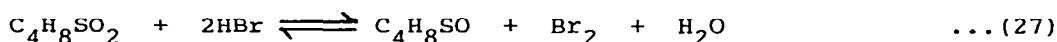
The kinetics of the reaction between gaseous HF and solid CaCl_2 have been studied in a flow reactor at 293K.¹⁰² The authors concluded that the reaction is first order in the HF concentration. In a subsequent paper the same authors report on the adsorption of HF on CaF_2 at 303 and 333K.¹⁰³ They calculated a partial molar absorption enthalpy of $-2.98 \pm 0.16 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ at 303K, a value which is not consistent with the formation of $\text{CaF}_2 \cdot 2\text{HF}$. Bonnet and Macherpa¹⁰⁴ have reinvestigated the i.r. spectra of solutions of SbF_5 in HF and have reported some results which are significantly different from those published in 1972 and earlier. They have attempted to analyse the fluoroantimonate absorption region in terms which are compatible with the ^{19}F n.m.r. results of Gillespie and Moss. For the 4000-800 cm^{-1} region they report that H_2F^+ is present when $[\text{SbF}_5] \geq 50 \text{ mol\%}$; at lower concentrations, down to 20 mol%, they claim that the disolvated proton, H_3F_2^+ is dominant. Fabre et al.¹⁰⁵ have carried out an electrochemical study of the oxidation of methylcyclopentane in anhydrous HF and related superacid media.

Hydrogen halide-DMSO phase diagrams have been published:¹⁰⁶ these show that HF forms two solvates, 1 and 4HF, whereas HBr and HCl form incongruent solvates only. There is no evidence for interaction between liquid HCl and Xe at 182K:¹⁰⁷ the calorimetric data yield enthalpies of mixing which agree well with values predicted by perturbation theory.

The He(I) photoelectron spectrum of the "pure" $\text{Me}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{HCl}$ adduct has been obtained by a "stripping" procedure from the spectrum of the mixture.¹⁰⁸ The spectrum was interpreted in terms of an effective transfer of 0.05 electron from the ether to HCl. The identity and geometry of the 1:1 cyclopropane:HCl molecular complex has been determined in the gas phase from its rotational spectrum:¹⁰⁹ the Cl atom is coplanar with the ring and 4.00 Å from its centroid. The i.r. spectra of the complexes formed between formaldehyde and

HBr or HCl have been studied in matrices of solid N_2 or Ar.¹¹⁰ There are significant blue shifts of the C-H stretching fundamental on complex formation.

Proton n.m.r. spectroscopy of aqueous HBr over the concentration and temperature ranges 1-20 mol kg⁻¹ and 6-60°C has been treated¹¹¹ by the Gutowsky and Saika method. The degree of association was calculated to be 2% at 4 mol kg⁻¹, 11% at 12 mol kg⁻¹ and 34% at 20 mol kg⁻¹. Solutions of HBr in sulpholane are brown in colour owing to equilibrium (27). Emsley et al.¹¹² have measured the



equilibrium constant by i.r. and u.v. spectroscopy : the equilibrium constant $K = 2.4 \times 10^{-5}$ at 20°C; $\Delta H = -55 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$; $\Delta S = -275 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$.

7.2 HYDROGEN

Zyryanov et al.¹¹³ have investigated the destruction of H atoms in recombination reactions and in reactions with Cl_2^- radical ions in vitreous solutions of 8M HCl. The activation energies of both processes were found to be $6 \pm 1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$. Exchange between gaseous OH^- (OD^-) and H_2 (D_2) has been investigated by means of two mass spectrometers and using two modes of ionisation.¹¹⁴ Exchange of OH^- and D_2 is a relatively slow reaction, collisional frequency 2.9×10^{-2} , and its rate constant exhibits a small negative temperature coefficient, $k = CT^{-0.7}$: the exchange of OD^- with H_2 is 30% slower.

The gas-phase equilibria involving the solvent (S) molecules Me_2SO and Me_2CO have been measured by Kebarle et al.¹¹⁵: $\Delta H_{n-1,n}^O$



and $\Delta S_{n-1,n}^O$ were obtained for $n=1$ to $n=3$. The results were compared with previously determined values for $S=H_2O$, Me_2O and $MeCN$.

A non-spectroscopic method for the analysis of H_2O/D_2O mixtures has been devised:¹¹⁶ the falling-drop method uses mixtures of bromobenzene and xylene in which a droplet of the water mixture is suspended.

The reactions of the strongly H-bonded anions $CH_3CO_2HF^-$ and $(CH_3CO_2)_2H^-$ with alkyl halides have been followed in the gas phase by ion-cyclotron resonance spectroscopy.¹¹⁷ The authors point to

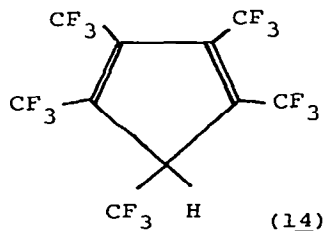
parallels with synthetically important reactions in glacial acetic acid solutions of alkali metal fluorides.

Ab initio M.O. calculations have been carried out by Jorgensen and Ibrahim¹¹⁸ to obtain an intermolecular potential function for $(\text{NH}_3)_2$. The calculated NN radial distribution functions are in better agreement with X-ray results than are those from molecular dynamics simulations.

Infrared spectra of the probe ion NH_3D^+ in salts with CuSO_3^- , SnF_3^- , SiF_6^{2-} and SnCl_6^{2-} provide evidence for symmetrically trifurcated $\text{NH}\dots\text{X}$ hydrogen bonds.¹¹⁹ Hydrogen bonding between the F of trans- $[\text{OsCl}_4\text{FI}]^{2-}$ and alkylammonium cations as proton donors are responsible for shifts in the Os-I charge transfer bands.¹²⁰ These spectral changes lead to the conclusion that tertiary alkylammonium (e.g. trilaurylammonium) salts exist as "intimate" or "contact" ion pairs in non-polar solvents.

Sheppard and colleagues¹²¹ have reported the i.r. absorption frequencies corresponding to the vibrations of μ_3 -bridging hydride ligands in a number of metal hydride cluster compounds; they have developed a vibrational model which leads to a simple relationship between the M-H stretching frequency and the M_3H geometry. It is claimed that this model is equally applicable to the study of hydrogen atoms absorbed on metal surfaces. Knop et al.¹²² have sought further support for their views that: (i) the stretching frequency of highly bent H-bonds decreases with increasing temperature, regardless of whether the bonds are static or dynamic in character or to a single or to several acceptors, and (ii) departures from symmetrical tri- or bi-furcation towards asymmetric situations lower the stretching frequency.

Laganis and Lemal have succeeded in synthesising 5-H-perfluoropentamethylcyclopentadiene, (14);¹²³ this a volatile liquid which



attacks even silylated glass. It is freely soluble in water in which it ionises to $\text{C}_5(\text{CF}_3)_5^-$, the pK_a of which process was

estimated to be ≤ -2 . Hino and Arata¹²⁴ have synthesised a solid superacid with $H_0 \leq -16.04$, the strongest surface acid system yet reported, and which can be used at temperatures up to 650°C . The material was prepared by exposing $\text{Zr}(\text{OH})_4$ to $0.5\text{M H}_2\text{SO}_4$ and then calcining in air at $575\text{--}650^\circ\text{C}$. Pressed pellets of the new layer compound $[\text{Zn}_2\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_6]\text{OH}\cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ have been shown to possess a high proton conductivity;¹²⁵ Lal and Howe attribute this to facile proton transfer between H_2O and OH^- .

The electrical conductivities of some solutions in trifluoromethanesulphonic acid have been determined by Russell and Senior.¹²⁶ The CF_3SO_3^- ion appears to possess an abnormally high mobility and a proton-jump mechanism was inferred. Sulphuric acid behaves as a weak electrolyte and SO_3 is a non-electrolyte: KNO_3 and KH_2PO_4 appear to generate NO_2^+ and the phosphate acidium ion, $\text{P}(\text{OH})_4^+$, respectively. Infrared spectroscopy has been used in a new study of aqueous protonic acids having $\text{pK}_a < 1$:¹²⁷ the results were discussed in terms of the readily polarisable H-bonds, $\text{AH}\dots\text{OH}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{A}^-\dots\text{H}^+\text{OH}_2$, being responsible for part of the continuous absorption spectrum. The position of water bands in more dilute solutions can be used to characterise the acceptor strength of the anion. Symons¹²⁸ has pointed out that the conclusion, from spectroscopic evidence, that H_3O^+ is "practically" planar is dubious: he has reinterpreted the data and has arrived at a value, 111° , for the HOH angle which is close to that found by diffraction studies on the ion in the solid state.

The trihydrate of pyridine, previously thought to be the dihydrate, has now been characterised.¹²⁹ It consists of layers of water molecules H-bonded to form 4-, 5- and 6-membered rings, in the ratio 1:2:1, which are H-bonded to pyridine molecules, $\text{O}-(\text{H})\dots\text{N} = 2.796\text{\AA}$. Each hydridic hydrogen in $(\text{NaHBMe}_3)_4\cdot\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ is four coordinate being surrounded by three sodium atoms as well as by a boron atom.¹³⁰

An extremely short $\text{O-H}\dots\text{O}$, $2.382(6)\text{\AA}$, bond has been identified in the structure of $\text{K}_3[\text{Pt}\{(\text{SO}_3)_2\text{H}\}\text{Cl}_2]$ and this H-bond links the sulphito ligands.¹³¹ The crystal structures of potassium hydrogen difluoromaleate (KHDFM) and potassium hydrogen difluorofumarate (KHDFF) have been determined by single crystal X-ray methods.¹³² The HDFM anion has a closed ring structure with a short intramolecular H-bond, $2.415(1)\text{\AA}$: the HDFF ions form infinite chains via similarly short H-bonds $2.450(5)\text{\AA}$. X-ray studies on salts of RhCl_4^- containing sulphoxide ligands have revealed the existence

of the H-bonded cation $[\text{Me}_2\text{SO} \cdots \text{H} \cdots \text{OSMe}_2]^+$ with an O...H...O distance
of 2.42 Å.¹³³

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