Title: Photoionization Dynamics of Simple Ion-Neutral Clusters

Abstract:

Work was accomplished in three areas:

A: Kinetic Energy of Products of Simple Ion-Molecule Reactions,

B: Generation and Reactivity of Carbon Cluster Ions,

C: Photodissociation Dynamics of Simple Ion-Neutral Clusters.
Energy Disposal in Ion-Molecule Reactions

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I. ABSTRACT

During the tenure of this grant work was accomplished in the 3 areas listed in the OBJECTIVES section below. Summaries of this work have been given in the various Interim Reports and details of the published work are given in the attached set or reprints. In all, 13 papers have been published with the support of this grant and partial work completed on several other projects. The work has been presented at a large number of scientific meetings in both contributed and invited papers.

II. OBJECTIVES

B. Determination of the Dynamics and Energy Disposal in the Photodissociation of Simple Cluster Ions.
C. Generation, Reactivity and Photochemistry of Carbon Cluster Ions.

III. PROGRESS

Summaries of the work done are given in the various interim reports on file. A more detailed summary of several aspects of the work can also be found in the proposal submitted in January, 1988 (and subsequently funded as Grant AFOSR-89-0102). Consequently a redundant summary of the work will not be given here. In the final few months of the grant progress was made on several new systems. These include photodissociation of \( \text{CO}_3^- \), \( \text{CO}_3^- \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \) and \( \text{Ar}_3^+ \) and extension of some of our carbon cluster work. Papers are in the process of being written.

IV. PAPERS PUBLISHED OR IN PRESS

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VI. PAPERS PRESENTED AT MEETINGS

  The various meetings at which both contributed and invited papers have been given on AFOSR sponsored research have been listed in previous interim reports. Here we list only a cumulative summary.

  A. Contributed Papers at Scientific Meetings 21
  B. Invited Papers at Scientific Meetings 14
  C. Invited Seminars at Universities 9
COMPLETED PROJECT SUMMARY

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PUBLICATIONS:


Photodissociation Dynamics of C\(_4\)H\(_6^+\) Ions from 1,3-Butadiene, T. Bunn and M.T. Bowers, J. Phys. Chem. 92, 1813 (1988).

The Mechanism and Product Energy Disposal in the Reaction of \( \text{Ar}^+(2\,^2\text{P}_{3/2}) \) with \( \text{CS}_2(\text{X}^1\Sigma_g^+) \), M. Rincon, J. Pearson and M.T. Bowers, J. Phys. Chem. 92, 4290 (1988).

ABSTRACT OF OBJECTIVES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Work was carried out in three areas under the support of this grant.

1. **Energy Disposal in Thermal Energy Bimolecular Ion-Molecule Reactions:**
   Ion cyclotron resonance methods are used to accurately measure product kinetic energies in simple bimolecular ion-molecule reactions. These measurements allow determination of the electronic state distributions of the products and in favorable cases vibrational state distributions can be inferred. Using state symmetry correlation diagrams and conservation of energy and angular momentum, much can be concluded about the details of the reaction mechanism. We have studied reactions of \( \text{C}^+ (2\text{P}) \) with \( \text{O}_2 \) and \( \text{OCS} \) and \( \text{Ar}^+ (2\text{P}_{3/2}) \) with \( \text{CS}_2 \) and \( \text{OCS} \).

2. **Photodissociation Dynamics of Simple Ion-Neutral Cluster Ions:**
   We have developed a method for studying the photodissociation dynamics of mass selected ionic clusters. The mass selected beam is crossed by the polarized output of a laser and products mass and energy analysed. The technique allows measurement of product branching ratios, kinetic energy distributions, excited state lifetimes and symmetries and in favorable cases product internal state distributions, cluster bonding energies and qualitative cluster structures. In most cases substantial information is obtained on the detailed mechanism of the dissociation event. Systems studied include \( \text{Kr.SO}_2^+ \), \( \text{O}_2^+.\left(\text{CO}_2\right)_2 \), \( \text{O}_2^+.\text{CO}_2 \), \( \left(\text{SO}_2\right)_2^- \), \( \text{CO}^-_3.\text{H}_2\text{O} \) and \( \text{CO}^-_3.\text{CO}_2 \).

3. **Generation, Reactivity and Photochemistry of Carbon Cluster Ions:**
   We have developed a laser desorption source for generating highly excited carbon cluster ions \( \text{CN}^+ \) and directly sampling the excited cluster distribution. Mass selected cluster beams undergo unimolecular decay in a field free region and then the product ions are mass and energy selected by a high resolution electrostatic analyser. Highly specific neutral loss is observed depending on cluster size; below \( n = 30 \) loss of \( \text{C}^3 \) dominates and above \( n = 30 \) only \( \text{C}^2 \) loss is observed. The work is being extended to careful analysis of product kinetic energy distributions, size specific reactivity studies and photodissociation.