Review of Lectures 9 to 16 AOSC / CHEM 433 & AOSC 633

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Class Web Site: http://www.atmos.umd.edu/~rjs/class/spr2019



https://www.videoblocks.com/video/earth-sunset-spacewalk-view-from-space-station-r7dydlcsgjd23vml0

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Announcements

- 1. Exam on Tuesday Conceptual questions only: <u>no calculators</u> Closed book; no notes
- 2. ELMS gradebook should be current except for AT 15 Please let us know of any issues
- 3. Review of Problem Set #3 will be held Mon, 15 April, 5 pm in ATL 2428
- 4. Will show movie on Thurs, 25 April, 6:00 pm, ATL 3400: attendance is voluntary

Ozone Hole: How We Saved the Planet



OZONE HOLE: HOW WE SAVED THE PLANET Courtesy of Windfall Films/NASA

Premieres Wednesday, April 10, 2019 10:00-11:00 p.m. ET on PBS

New Documentary Tells the Remarkable Story of How Scientists Discovered the Deadly Hole in the Ozone – and the Even More Remarkable Story of How the World's Leaders Came Together to Fix It

- With a few exceptions, the only reactions between molecules that proceed at appreciable rates are those involving at least one radical
- · Radicals require significant energy to form: a bond must be broken
- Radical formation is tied to absorption of photons that "photodissociate" a compound, leading to radical formation

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Atmospheric Radiation

• Solar irradiance (downwelling) at top of atmosphere occurs at wavelengths between ~200 and 2000 nm (~5750 K "black body" temperature)



• Absorption and photodissociation in the UV occurs due to changes in the electronic state (orbital configuration) of molecules



From Brasseur & Solomon, Aeronomy of the Middle Atmosphere, 1986

- O_2 can not dissociate longward of ~250 nm
- All of the absorption shown above is dissociative (e.g., leads to production of two O atoms)
- Structure in the O_2 cross section is related to whether the initial transition involves an unbound electronic state (smooth) or involves a specific vibrational level of an electronic state (banded, due to requirement of specific quanta of energy)

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Optical Depth of O₂Absorption

Recall the Beer-Lambert Law:

$$F(z,\lambda) = F_{TOA}(\lambda) e^{-\tau(z,\lambda)}$$
 (TOA : Top of Atmosphere)

where:

$$\tau(z, \lambda) = m \int_{z}^{\infty} \sigma_{\lambda} [C] dz' \qquad (\tau: optical depth)$$

Also:

 $\int_{0} [O_2] dz' \approx 4 \times 10^{24} \text{ molecules/cm}^2$

O_2 Optical Depth for $\theta = 0^\circ$, $z = 0$ km					
	σ_{max} (cm ²)	τ (0 km)	$e^{-\tau (0 \text{ km})}$		
Schumann-Runge Continuum	10^{-17}	4×10^7	0.		
Schumann-Runge Bands	10^{-20}	4×10^4	0.		
	3×10^{-23}	120	7.6×10^{-53}		
Herzberg Continuum	10 ⁻²³	40	4.2×10^{-18}		

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Optical Depth of O₃ Absorption

A typical mid-latitude column abundance for O_3 is 300 Dobson units (DU):

$$1 \text{ DU} = 2.687 \times 10^{16} \text{ molecules/cm}^2; \quad 300 \text{ DU} = 8 \times 10^{18} \text{ molecules/cm}^2$$

Aside: $\frac{\text{Column O}_3}{\text{Column Air}} = \frac{8 \times 10^{18}}{2 \times 10^{25}} = 0.4 \text{ parts per million} \implies \text{Ozone is a trace species !}$

O_3 Optical Depth for $\theta = 0^\circ$, $z = 0$ km						
	$\sigma_{\rm max}({ m cm}^2)$	τ (0 km)	$e^{-\tau(0km)}$	O_3 Column, $\tau = 1.0$		
Hartley (~220 to 280 nm)	10^{-17}	80	1.8×10^{-35}	3.7 DU		
Huggins (~310 to 330 nm)	10 ⁻¹⁹	0.8	0.45	372 DU		
Chappuis (~500 to 700 nm)	3×10^{-21}	0.024	~1.0	12,400 DU		

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Solar Spectral Actinic Flux

From DeMore et al., *Chemical Kinetics and Photochemical Data for Use in Stratospheric Modeling*, Evaluation No. 11, 1994.

From Seinfeld and Pandis, Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics, 1998.

Photolysis Frequency

For a specific spectral interval, the photolysis frequency (*partial J value*) of a gas is given by the product of its absorption cross section and the solar irradiance:

$$J_{gas}(z,\lambda) = Quantum_{Yield}(\lambda) \sigma_{gas}(\lambda,T) F(z,\lambda)$$

Units: s⁻¹ nm⁻¹

The total *photolysis frequency* (*J value*) is found by integrating $J_{gas}(z,\lambda)$ over all wavelengths for which the gas photodissociates:

$$J_{gas}(z) = \int_{\lambda_{min}}^{\lambda_{max}} J_{gas}(z, \lambda) \, d\lambda \qquad \text{Units: } s^{-1}$$

Rate of Reaction =
$$\frac{dO_3}{dt} = J$$
 [O₃]; Units of J are s⁻¹

More precisely, calculations of photolysis frequencies consider the "spectral actinic flux", which represents the amount of available photons integrated over all angles, rather than "solar irradiance". These two quantities differ because of scattering of solar radiation by gases and aerosols, and reflection of radiation by clouds and the surface.

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NO₂ Photolysis

$O_3 \rightarrow O(^1D)$ Photolysis



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Bimolecular Gas Phase Reactions



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Tropospheric Ozone Production versus NO_x and VOCs

Ridge: local maximum for O₃ that separates the NOx-limited regime from and VOC limited regime



Figure: http://www-personal.umich.edu/~sillman/ozone.htm

An important discovery in the past decade is that the focus on hydrocarbon emission controls to combat O_3 pollution may have been partly misdirected. Measurements and model calculations now show that O_3 production over most of the United States is primarily NO_x limited, not hydrocarbon limited. The early models were in error in part because they underestimated emissions of hydrocarbons from automobiles, and in part because they did not account for natural emission of biogenic hydrocarbons from trees and crops.

Jacob, Chapter 12, Introduction to Atmospheric Chemistry, 1999

Day-to-day meteorology (weather!) affects severity and duration of pollution episodes



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Dramatic Improvements Local Air Quality, Past <u>4 Decades</u>



Nitrate Deposition



http://nadp.slh.wisc.edu/data/animaps.aspx

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Sulfate Deposition



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NO₂ Trends from Space 2013-2015 2005-2007 2009–2011 NO, 45° 45 45 16. cm⁻²1 13. 40[°] 40 40 [x10¹⁵ 10.8 Density 8.1 0.3 35 35[°] 35[°] Columr lisit 5.4 0.2 D /ertica 2.7 30[°]N 90[°]W 30° N 90° W 30[°]N[°]W 90[°]W 70° W 70° W 70° W 75[°] W 75[°] W 85[°]W 80° W 75[°] W 85° W 80° W 85[°]W 80° W 2013–2015 2005-2007 2009-2011 50[°] 50° 50° NO. 26.9 24.3 E 21.5 40 40 40 [x10¹⁶ 18.8 16.1 0.6 ≩ 13.5 0.5 30 30 30 10.8 ertical Column 0.4 8.1 0.3 [D 5.4 0.2 2.7 0.1 20° N 100 20°N 100 20 N 100 130[°] E 130° E 130° E 0 110[°]E 120[°] E 110[°]E 120[°] E 110[°]E 120[°] E



SO₂ Trends from Space





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Stratospheric Ozone: Chapman Chemistry

- Production of O₃ initiated when O₂ is photodissociated by UV sunlight
- O₃ formed when resulting O atom reacts with O₂ :

$$hv + O_2 \rightarrow O + O \qquad (1)$$
$$O + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M \qquad (2)$$

• O₃ removed by photodissociation (UV sunlight) or by reaction with O :

This reaction sequence was first worked out in the 1930s by Sidney Chapman, an English mathematician and geophysicist

- The cycling between O and O₂ (rxns 2 and 3) occurs *much* more rapidly than leakage into (rxn 1) or out of the system (rxn 4)
- The sum $O + O_3$ is commonly called "odd oxygen"



Rxn (1) produces two *odd oxygen* molecules Rxn (4) consumes two *odd oxygen* molecules

and reactions 2 and 3 recycle odd oxygen molecules

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Stratospheric Photochemistry: Odd Oxygen Loss By Families



After Osterman et al., GRL, 24, 1107, 1997; Sen et al., JGR, 103, 3571, 1998; Sen et al., JGR, 104, 26653, 1999.



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Tropospheric Chlorine Loading



Chlorine Abundance, Mid-Latitude Stratosphere



Fig Q8-2, WMO 2014 QAs

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Chlorine Source Gases



Table Q7-1. Atmospheric Lifetimes and Ozone Depletion Potentials of some halogen source & HFC substitute gases.

Gas	Atmospheric Lifetime (years)	Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) °
Halogen source gases		
Chlorine gases [®]		
CFC-11	52	1
CFC-12	102	0.73
CFC-113	93	0.81
Carbon tetrachloride (CCI ₄)	26	0.72
HCFCs	1-18	0.01-0.10
Methyl chloroform (CH ₃ CCl ₃)	5	0.14
Methyl chloride (CH ₃ Cl)	0.9	0.015
Very short-lived CI-containing gases	less than 0.5	^{b, d} very low
Bromine gases		
Halon-1301	72	15.2
Halon-1211	16	6.9
Methyl bromide (CH ₃ Br)	0.8	0.57

Fig Q7-1, WMO 2014 QAs

Bromine Source Gases



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Heterogeneous Chemistry, Mid-Latitude vs Polar Regions

In all cases, γ must be measured in the laboratory



Reaction probabilities given for various surface types, with formulations of various degrees of complexity, in **Section 5** of the JPL Data Evaluation.

Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics by Seinfeld and Pandis provides extensive treatment of aqueous phase chemistry, properties of atmospheric aerosol, organic aerosols, etc.

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POLAR OZONE LOSS

- <u>Cold Temperatures</u> → Polar Stratospheric Clouds (<u>PSCs</u>)
- REACTIONS ON PSC SURFACES LEAD TO ELEVATED CIO

HCI + CINO₃ → Cl₂ (gas) + HNO₃ (solid) CINO₃ + H₂O → HOCI + HNO₃ Cl₂ + SUNLIGHT + O₃ → CIO HOCI + SUNLIGHT + O₃ → CIO HNO₃ SEDIMENTS (PSCs fall due to gravity)

- ELEVATED CIO + <u>SUNLIGHT</u> DESTROYS O₃
- BrO : Reaction Partner For CIO \Rightarrow Additional O₃ Loss





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The Stratosphere Cools as the Surface Warms



If the stratosphere <u>continues to cool</u>, for which region of the stratosphere will ozone be most vulnerable to future decline ?

Figure 4-11, WMO/UNEP (2011)

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Fig Q20-3, WMO 2014 QAs



Longstreth et al., J. of Photochemistry and Photobiology B, 46, 20-39, 1998.

See also Slaper *et al.*, Estimates of ozone depletion and skin cancer incidence to examine the Vienna Convention achievements, *Nature*, *384*, 256–258, 1996, who state:

The no-restrictions and Montreal Protocol scenarios produce a runaway increase in skin cancer incidence, up to a quadrupling and doubling, respectively, by year 2100.

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Second Exam

- Tuesday, 16 April, 2:00 pm to 3:15 pm
- ATL 2416
- Closed book, no notes
- Focus mainly on Lectures 9 to 16
- Conceptual questions only: no calculator
- Backbone of course is the lectures and material from readings highlighted in class
- Ross & Walt will be present: please let us know if a question requires clarification
- Exam for 633 will differ somewhat from exam for 433