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#### ABSTRACT

A mathematical model of cloud chemistry was evaluated with the cloud chemistry data collected by Richards et al. from 1981 to 1985 in stratus clouds in the Los Angeles basin. The model simulates atmospheric chemistry including gas-phase chemistry, aqueous-phase chemistry and gas/droplet mass transfer, vertical transport, rainfall and turbulent diffusion.

Evaluation of the model entailed evaluation of the equilibrium chemistry, chemical kinetics and transport processes. The equilibrium chemistry was evaluated with a total of 52 case studies. Comparison of measured and predicted hydrogen ion concentrations showed, on average, an underprediction of 3% and an absolute error of 20%. The equilibrium chemistry of sulfur (IV) suggests that there was sulfur (IV) present as hydroxymethane sulfonic acid. There was good agreement between measured and calculated gas/liquid distributions of formaldehyde. However, there was a large discrepancy between the measured and calculated gas/liquid distributions of acetaldehyde suggesting that the aqueous-phase acetaldehyde concentrations are underestimated by about a factor of 40. The chemical kinetics was evaluated with five case studies for which cloud chemistry data were collected in the same air parcel at different times, covering periods of up to 3 hours. The results showed that the model underestimated nitrate formation in three cases and gave good agreement with the data in two cases. Concentrations of sulfur dioxide were too low to allow evaluation of the model for sulfate. These results suggested that vertical transport was a major process governing the chemical composition of stratus clouds and needs to be included in a cloud chemistry model.

The model with treatment of cloud chemistry, vertical transport and diffusion was evaluated with two case studies. For one case study, which corresponded to an air parcel moving from offshore toward Los Angeles, there were discrepancies between measured and calculated concentrations of major species. This result suggests that transport processes may be more complex than the one-dimensional transport simulated by the model. For the other case study, which corresponded to an air parcel moving over the eastern Los Angeles basin, there was very good agreement between measured and calculated concentrations of major species. This result suggests that the chemistry, updraft and rainfall were reasonably well simulated with the model.

A total of 19 sensitivity analysis simulations was performed with this latter case study. The sensitivity of sulfate, nitrate, ammonium and hydrogen ion concentrations to percursor levels, various chemical kinetic and cloud microphysical parameters and various environmental conditions were discussed.

A mechanism for the chemistry of organic acids was developed and applied to this case study.

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#### Section 1

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

### SUMMARY

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A mathematical model of cloud physics and chemistry was evaluated with the cloud chemistry data collected in stratus clouds in the California SoCAB from 1981 to 1985 by Richards et al. (1983a, 1985, 1987). This mathematical model simulates transport, diffusion and rainfall as well as atmospheric chemistry. The treatment of chemistry includes gas-phase chemistry, gas/droplet mass transfer and aqueous-phase chemistry.

#### EQUILIBRIUM CHEMISTRY

First, the equilibrium chemistry of the model was evaluated. A total of 52 case studies was used to assess model performance. The average normalized bias and absolute error in the hydrogen ion  $(H^+)$  concentration are -3 percent and 20 percent, respectively. If it is assumed that hydroxymethane sulfonic acid (HMSA), a species resulting from the reaction of sulfur dioxide with formaldehyde in solution, was present in cloud droplet, the bias becomes 0.2 percent and the absolute error remains 20 percent. The most recent data set, which was collected in 1985, shows a clear trend toward underpredictions of  $H^+$ .

Analysis of the chemistry of sulfur in oxidation state IV (S(IV)) shows that the aqueous concentrations of S(IV) that were measured can only be explained if HMSA was present.

Comparison of measured and calculated formaldehyde and acetaldehyde concentrations shows that the equilibrium chemistry of formaldehyde is simulated correctly but that a large discrepancy exists between

the calculated and measured gas/liquid distributions of acetaldehyde. The calculated aqueous concentration of formaldehyde is, on average, about 60 percent higher than the measured concentration. The calculated aqueous concentration of acetaldehyde is on average about 40 times smaller than the measured concentration.

#### CHEMICAL KINETICS

The data collected in 1985 by Richards et al. (1987) provide information on the evolution of cloud chemistry with time. Five case studies were used to evaluate the treatment of chemical kinetics by the model. Comparison of measured and calculated values of chemical species concentrations can not be explained solely by chemical kinetics. This result suggests that upward transport of pollutants from below the cloud into the cloud was an important process. In three cases (simulations of 21, 25 and 26 May 1985), nitrate concentrations are underestimated by the model, probably because transport was not simulated. In the two other cases (simulations of 27 May and 10 June 1985), the measured and calculated initial concentrations are in good agreement. The two major pathways leading to nitrate formation are the heterogeneous hydrolysis of nitrogen pentoxide (N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) and the aqueous reduction of nitrate (NO<sub>2</sub>) radicals.

Because the sulfur dioxide  $(SO_2)$  concentrations were below 1 part per billion (ppb), which is the measurement uncertainty, it is not feasible to evaluate model performance for sulfate formation. The major pathway for sulfate formation is the aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by hydrogen peroxide  $(H_2O_2)$ . The aqueous catalyzed oxidation of  $SO_2$  by oxygen  $(O_2)$  and the aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by hydroxyl (OH) radicals also contribute noticeably to sulfate formation.

Two cases were selected to analyze the cloud chemistry and vertical transport processes: 25 May and 26 May 1985. These two case studies were selected because they show significant increases in

nitrate concentrations. A cloud microphysics model was used to estimate the updraft velocities which were not otherwise available. Below-cloud concentrations of several species were not available and were estimated from 24-hour average data and other data on typical values and diurnal variations of these species in the SoCAB.

The simulation of 25 May 1985 does not predict correctly the measured cloud species concentrations, which suggests that  $NO_x$  emissions from tall stacks may contribute significantly to  $NO_x$  concentrations in coastal clouds, and that the below-cloud concentrations of sulfate and nitrate may not have been estimated accurately.

The simulation of 26 May 1988 shows very good agreement between calculated and measured values. There was some light drizzle observed on that day and the good agreement between the calculated and measured concentrations of inert species suggests that the model simulates well the updraft and rainfall processes. Calculated and measured concentrations of sulfate and nitrate and acidity (pH) are in good agreement. It seems that the model treats satisfactorily the major physical and chemical processes for this case study.

## SENSITIVITY ANALYSES

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Several sensitivity analyses were conducted with this latter simulation. Variations of precursor levels show that the  $SO_2/sulfate$  relationship is nonlinear and that the nitrogen oxides  $(NO_X)/nitrate$  relationship is nearly linear. (A relationship is linear if a given fractional change in the precursor level leads to the same fractional change in the pollutant; otherwise, this relationship is nonlinear). A reduction in RHC concentrations has little effect on cloud chemistry whereas a reduction in NH<sub>3</sub> concentrations leads to a direct increase in pH. It should be noted, however, that changes in NO<sub>4</sub> and RHC concentrations may

lead to nonlinear changes in sulfate and nitrate concentrations on longer time scales due to the effect of these species on oxidant concentrations.

The effect of  $N_2O_5$  and  $NO_3$  kinetics on nitrate formation was investigated. The use of a rate of  $N_2O_5$  hydrolysis limited only by diffusion leads to an increase in nitrate formation of 30%. The aqueous chemistry of  $NO_3$  shows little sensitivity to the accommodation coefficient, except at very low values of this coefficient.

The effect of the updraft velocity and cloud water content on cloud chemistry was investigated. The contribution of species initially below the cloud to the cloud chemical composition increases as the updraft velocity increases. For the case considered, the contribution of species initially below the cloud leads to a higher pH in cloud droplets. The increase in cloud water content leads to an increase in sulfate formation because more liquid water volume is available for reactions such as the aqueous oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> by O<sub>2</sub> and OH. There is only a slight increase in nitrate formation because the increase in the NO<sub>3</sub> aqueous reduction pathway is compensated by a decrease in the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> hydrolysis pathway.

The effect of the environmental conditions on acid formation was investigated. A daytime simulation shows a slight increase in sulfate formation due to an increase in the aqueous reaction of  $SO_2$  with OH. The nitrate formation pathway changes significantly as reaction of nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) with OH predominates and the NO<sub>3</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> pathways become minor.

The simulation of a nonraining cloud shows a lower pH as the acid species concentrations are higher since no removal of sulfate or nitrate by rain takes place.

The simulation of a cloud-free nighttime scenario shows that no sulfate formation takes place since no aqueous medium is available for  $SO_2$  oxidation. Nitrate formation takes place to a small extent through  $N_2O_5$  hydrolysis.

In a fog simulation, sulfate formation takes place primarily through aqueous oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> by O<sub>2</sub> and  $H_2O_2$ . Formation of nitrate occurs through oxidation of NO<sub>2</sub> by OH; NO<sub>3</sub> concentration are low because of the high NO and low O<sub>3</sub> concentrations.

Simulation of a plume in a cloud suggests that HMSA can be formed rapidly as SO<sub>2</sub> reacts with HCHO in cloud droplets. The slow rate of the HMSA decomposition explains the presence of HMSA in SoCAB stratus clouds.

A chemical kinetic mechanism was developed for major organic acids, i.e, formic, acetic and peroxyacetic acids. Simulation of the 26 May 1985 scenario shows little organic acid formation because the chemistry of organic acid formation is primarily driven by OH and HO<sub>2</sub> radicals, which are present in very small concentrations for this nighttime scenario. Daytime chemistry of organic acids should be investigated.

# Section 2 RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the results of this study, the following recommendations can be made.

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- Future cloud chemistry measurement programs should include measurements below the cloud in addition to the in-cloud measurements because vertical transport is a major process governing cloud chemical composition, even in stratiform clouds.
- 2. Tracer experiments would be extremely useful to help understand transport phenomena occurring in clouds. These transport phenomena may be more complicated than a simple one-dimensional updraft, even for stratiform clouds.
- 3. Organic acid measurements in clouds and fogs would be useful to assess the contribution of organic acids to cloud acidity.
- 4. The gas/liquid equilibrium of acetaldehyde needs to be studied in the laboratory, since theoretical calculations and measurements are in disagreement by about a factor of 40.
- 5. The effect of precusor concentrations (particularly, NO<sub>x</sub> and RHC) on acid concentrations should be studied by means of three-dimensional one-day or multi-day simulations, because of the effect of these precursors on the daytime chemistry of oxidant formation.
- 6. Organic acid formation should be simulated for daytime conditions to assess its importance; results should be compared to available measurements.

7. The heterogeneous hydrolysis of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> needs to be studied in more detail since it is a major pathway for nocturnal formation of nitrate.

#### REGULATORY IMPLICATIONS

The results of this modeling study demonstrate that the mathematical model of atmospheric chemistry and physics used in this study can describe satisfactorily the major chemical and physical processes that lead to acid formation. For the cases where model performance is satisfactory, the model can be applied to evaluate the effect of emission control strategies. It should be noted, however, that larger temporal (e.g., of the order of one day) and spatial (e.g., basinwide) scales should be used when developing emission control strategies.

# Section 3 INTRODUCTION

The formation of sulfate and nitrate species in the California South Coast Air Basin (SoCAB) is a topic of great importance in air quality because these species lead to acid deposition, visibility degradation, and increased aerosol concentrations.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has sponsored several field programs over the past four years to characterize the reactants, products, kinetics and mechanisms of stratus cloud chemistry in the SoCAB (Richards et al., 1983a, 1985, 1987). The experimental results obtained during these field programs are very comprehensive and constitute a unique data base for a detailed investigation of the chemistry of stratus clouds in the SoCAB. Some topics of particular interest for our understanding of cloud chemistry in the SoCAB include the following.

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- Evaluation of the equilibrium chemistry and kinetics of sulfate and nitrate formation in clouds.
- 2. Identification of the most important chemical pathways leading to sulfate and nitrate formation.
- 3. Investigation of the relationships between precursors and acid species concentrations.
- 4. Analysis of the sensitivity of cloud chemistry to various meteorological and chemical parameters.

These topics have been addressed to some extent by Seigneur and Saxena (1984) and Seigneur et al. (1985) using the data of Richards et al. (1983a) as input to a detailed chemical kinetic mechanism of cloud chemistry. However, the data of Richards et al. (1985, 1987) provide a more complete data base which can be used to perform a more comprehensive evaluation of a cloud chemistry model. In particular, the data of Richards et al. (1987) provide unique

information regarding the evolution of an air parcel in a stratus cloud for time periods of up to 3 hours. These data also include measurements of both gas and aqueous-phase concentrations of formaldehyde and acetaldehyde.

In this study, a comprehensive computerized mathematical model of cloud chemistry and physics was used to investigate the chemical and physical processes that govern the formation of acidic species in clouds. First, the performance of the model treatment of equilibrium chemistry and chemical kinetics is evaluated. Then, the model was used to investigate the chemical pathways and transport processes that lead to acid formation in clouds and to study the sensitivity of the acid concentrations to various chemical and meteorological parameters.

Section 4 presents a brief overview of the experiemental data used for this study. Section 5 presents a description of the cloud model. Sections 6 and 7 present the results of the model performance evaluation for equilibrium chemistry and chemical kinetics, respectively. Section 8 presents the results of model performance evaluation when both chemical kinetics and atmospheric transport are considered. The chemistry and physics of acid formation in clouds is investigated in detail through sensitivity analyses for one case study in Section 9. The cloud chemistry of organic acids is addressed in Section 10.

#### Section 4

#### EXPERIMENTAL DATA

### OVERVIEW OF THE EXPERIMENTAL DATA

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The data collected by Richards et al. (1983a, 1985, 1987) provide the basis for this study. Therefore, it is worthwhile to present a brief overview of the major results deduced from these data.

- The measured pH of cloudwater varied between 2.3 and 4.7, and was about 3 on average.
- The cloud water composition is about 40 to 50% nitric acid (HNO<sub>3</sub>), 20 to 30% ammonium sulfate ((NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and 10 to 20% sodium chloride (NaCl). Note that this composition is given for convenience and does not imply that for instance, the ammonium is associated solely with sulfate and the hydrogen solely with nitrate.
- The agreement between the measured value of pH and the value calculated from an ionic balance was generally very good, particularly for the 1985 data (the ionic balance is correct within about 2 percent on average for the 1985 data). Similarly, good agreement was obtained between measured and calculated values of conductivity.
- Concentrations of sulfate and nitrate are rather uniform spatially. Exceptions correspond to measurements during the 1981-1982 program near Fontana in the vicinity of a large emission source of sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) and nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>).
- In the 1981-1982 field program, significant concentrations of dissolved SO<sub>2</sub> (S(IV)(aq)) and hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (aq)) were measured in the same cloud water samples. Because the aqueous oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> by H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is rapid, this result suggested the presence of S(IV)(aq) in complexed form that would inhibit its oxidation. Richards et al. (1983b) suggested that the formation of hydroxymethane sulfonic acid (HMSA) could account for some of this inhibition. However, computer simulations of these cases that were conducted by Seigneur and Saxena (1984) could not totally explain the presence of S(IV) and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in solution by the formation of HMSA.

It cannot be ruled out that the S(IV) aqueous concentration measurements had a bias toward overestimation. Clearly, this issue requires further investigation in this proposed study (the cloud chemistry model now treats the HMSA complex formation with two kinetic steps rather than with an equilibrium; this new treatment could lead to higher HMSA concentrations). In the two subsequent programs, no significant amount of  $SO_2$  was measured in clouds. There was enough  $H_2O_2$  present to oxidize from 0.2 to 4 ppb of  $SO_2$ .

- The gas/liquid equilibrium chemistry of formaldehyde is in reasonable agreement with theory. However, the gas/liquid equilibrium chemistry of acetaldehyde appears to be off by a factor of 100 with theory; this discrepancy suggests that the present value of the Henry's law constant for acetaldehyde needs to be reevaluated.
- Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) concentrations in clouds were generally significantly less than O<sub>3</sub> concentrations outside of clouds. No evident explanation appears at the moment for this variation. Seigneur and Saxena (1985) showed by means of computer simulations of cloud chemistry that O<sub>3</sub> formation is less in clouds than in dry atmospheres, however, the predicted variation does not totally explain the variations observed by Richards et al. and further investigation is warranted.
- Concentrations of sodium (Na<sup>+</sup>), potassium (K<sup>+</sup>), calcium (Ca<sup>2+</sup>), magnesium (Mg<sup>2+</sup>), iron (Fe<sup>3+</sup>) and manganese (Mn<sup>2+</sup>) ions appear to decrease in clouds during the 1985 program. It was suggested that removal processes such as drizzling and vertical transport could account for this decrease.
- Concentrations of ammonium  $(NH_4)$  and lead  $(Pb^{2+})$  appear to increase as clouds move eastward in the SoCAB. It was suggested that emissions of  $NH_3$  (e.g. from feedlots near Riverside) and of Pb (e.g. from automobile exhausts) were transported upward into the clouds.
- Sulfate concentrations appear to increase slightly with time. However, it was not possible from the data to differentiate between the following hypotheses: formation of sulfate by aqueous oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub>, upward transport of sulfate from below the cloud, or both.

- Nitrate concentrations appear to increase notably with time. Formation of nitrate by oxidation of NO<sub>2</sub> in the cloud layer appears probable.
- Calculations of the formation of aerosols from the evaporation of cloud droplets led to the result that large aerosols would be formed (about 0.5 to 1.0 um in diameter). During cloud droplet evaporation, some nitric acid and hydrochloric acid (HCl) would evaporate.

#### PREPARATION OF THE MODEL INPUT DATA

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The data collected by Richards et al. constitute a very comprehensive set for the evaluation of a cloud model. In particular, the data collected in the 1985 field program are very complete since gas-phase hydrocarbons were also measured during this program.

Table 4-1 presents a comparison of the input data required by the model and the data base available from Richards et al. (1987).

All gas-phase concentrations are available in the clouds except H2O2, NH3 and HNO3. The latter two species, NH3 and HNO,, are primarily in solution and their gas-phase concentrations can be neglected. The value of the gas-phase concentration of  $H_2O_2$  needs to be calculated from the measured aqueous-phase concentration according to Henry's law. The concentration of PAN was always below the detection limit of 0.5 ppb. Concentrations of SO2, NO, NO2 and O3 which are monitored continuously, are also available below cloud base. Air samples were collected in canisters and analyzed for  $C_1$  through  $C_{10}$  paraffins, olefins and aromatics. Concentrations of formaldehyde and acetaldehyde were measured in both the gas phase and the liquid phase. Detection limits were 1 to 2 ppb for SO, and 2 to 3 ppb for NO and NO. Uncertainties in concentrations above the detection limits were 2 to 3 ppb for SO<sub>2</sub>, 2 to 5 ppb for NO<sub>x</sub> and 3 to 5 ppb for NO (Richards, 1988).

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#### Input Data

#### Chemistry

Gas-phase concentrations of  $SO_2$ , NO,  $NO_2$ ,  $O_3$ ,  $NH_3$ ,  $H_2O_2$ , aldehydes, paraffins, olefins, aromatics, PAN, CO,  $CO_2$ ,  $HNO_3$ .

Aqueous-phase concentrations of S(IV) (all forms of dissolved SO<sub>2</sub> including HMSA), S(VI),  $\stackrel{-}{NO_3}$ , NH<sub>4</sub>, Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Fe<sup>3+</sup>, Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Pb<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, HCHO, CH<sub>3</sub>CHO, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in clouds.

Aerosol chemical composition (sulfate, nitrate, ammonium) and size distribution in clouds and below clouds.

#### Meteorology

Liquid water content (including cloud base and top), mean droplet radius, temperature, pressure, relative humidity below cloud, atmospheric stability, updraft velocity, rainfall rate.

#### Emissions

SO<sub>2</sub>, NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, hydrocarbons.

Data base of Richards et al. (1987)

All concentrations available in clouds except  $H_2O_2$  (NH<sub>3</sub> and HNO<sub>3</sub> are primarily in solution). Concentrations of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>3</sub> available below clouds. Background concentration of CO<sub>2</sub> is 345 pm.

All concentrations available in clouds (however, HMSA concentration is not available).

Chemical composition available in clouds (however, uncertainties are associated with these data), size distribution available (above 0.09 um).

All data available except the updraft velocity and rainfall rate.

Data available from other sources (SoCAB emission inventory).

Aqueous-phase concentrations of nearly all solutes of interest were measured. No aqueous organic species concentrations were determined except formaldehyde and acetaldehyde concentrations. Species of potential interest which were not measured consist of hydroxymethane sulfonic acid (HMSA), and organic acids (formic and acetic acids). Uncertainties in the aqueous-phase concentrations were estimated to be about 5 to 10 percent (Richards, 1988).

The total S(IV) concentration was measured, however, it includes both dissolved SO<sub>2</sub> (i.e.,  $H_2SO_3$ ,  $HSO_3^-$  and  $SO_3^{2-}$ ) and SO<sub>2</sub> complexed as HMSA.

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Aerosols were measured in the clouds and their sampled chemical composition includes sulfate, nitrate and ammonium. However, these aerosols represent all suspended droplets less than about 2.5 um in diameter as selected by a cyclone inlet. For the purpose of the modeling, it was assumed that sulfate, nitrate and ammonium were primarily present in the droplets sampled with the cloud water collector which selected droplets larger than about 3 um in diameter. It should be noted that data on sulfate, nitrate, and ammonium are not available below the cloud.

Meteorological data needed for the model include the liquid water content as function of height, mean droplet radius, temperature, pressure and relative humidity vertical profiles, atmospheric stability, the updraft velocity and the rainfall rate. All these data are available except the atmospheric stability, updraft velocity and the rainfall rate. The atmospheric stability can be estimated from the vertical temperature profile. It should be noted that the liquid water content and rainfall rate can be calculated with the cloud microphysics model that is described in the following section. Therefore, one is allowed one unknown variable among the cloud physics variables. If the rainfall rate is known to be zero, it is then possible to estimate the updraft velocity from information on the temperature, pressure, relative humidity and

liquid water content. The liquid water contents were obtained from the King probe when available or from the forward scattering spectrometer probe (FSSP) otherwise. A factor of two of uncertainty was typical when comparing King probe data with FSSP data. The King probe data are believed to be more accurate than the FSSP data (Richards, 1988). Temperature and dew point temperatures were measured by the aircraft and were also available from radiosondes on certain days.

Emission data can be obtained from standard gridded emission inventories. However, these emission data are not required if the surface layer concentrations are continuously input to the model as a boundary condition.

### Section 5

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE CLOUD MODEL

The mathematical model used in this study provides a detailed treatment of the gas-phase and aqueous-phase atmospheric chemistry and some treatment of the basic cloud transport processes. This model has been described in detail by Seigneur and Saxena (1988) and this section presents only an overview of the major features of the model.

In addition, a cloud microphysics model was used to calculate a consistent set of meteorological input data to the cloud model.

We describe first the treatment of chemical and physical atmospheric processes in the cloud model. Then, we describe the cloud microphysics model that is used as a meteorological preprocessor of the cloud model.

#### TRANSPORT PROCESSES

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The transport processes which are treated in the cloud model include vertical transport of pollutants due to the cloud updraft, vertical and horizontal turbulent diffusion, and rainfall through the cloud and the mixing layer. A schematic representation of these transport processes is presented in Figure 5-1.

The cloud model consists of a series of layers that extend from the ground to the top of the cloud. The change in pollutant concentrations in each layer is represented mathematically by a set of partial differential equations (Seigneur and Saxena, 1988).





#### CHEMICAL KINETIC MECHANISM

The chemical kinetic mechanism consists of three major components:

- 1. A gas-phase chemical kinetic mechanism
- 2. A gas/droplet mass transfer component
- 3. An aqueous-phase chemical kinetic mechanism

The gas-phase chemistry is simulated according to the Carbon-Bond Mechanism IV (CBM-IV) (Whitten and Gery, 1986). A reaction was added to treat the oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> by OH radicals to form  $H_2SO_4$  and  $HO_2$  radicals.

The chemical kinetic mechanism CBM-IV was also updated to reflect recent results reported in the literature.

Sverdrup et al. (1987) investigated the gas-phase homogeneous hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  to  $HNO_3$ . This reaction is important for nighttime formation of  $HNO_3$  under dry conditions. Sverdrup et al. (1987) reported an upper limit of  $4x10^{-4} \text{ ppm}^{-1}\text{min}^{-1}$  for the rate constant of this reaction. This value was substituted to the previous value of  $1.9x10^{-6} \text{ ppm}^{-1}\text{min}^{-1}$  suggested by Whitten and Gery (1986).

The gas-phase chemical kinetic mechanism consists of a set of 71 reactions among 30 chemical species. It is presented in Table 5-1.

The treatment of gas-droplet mass transfer is described by Seigneur and Saxena (1988). It includes Henry's law equilibrium at the gas-droplet interface for all species and gas-phase diffusion and droplet diffusion for radicals. Diffusion processes are assumed not to be rate limiting for molecular species. The droplets are assumed to be well mixed.

	Postion		Rate constant <sup>a</sup>	Activation
K				епегуу
1	N02	= NO +O	vary	
2	0	= 03	4.65 X 10	-690.
3	03 +NO	= NO2	26.6	1430.
4	0 +NO2	= NO	13800.	
5	0 +NO2	= NO3	2320.	-600.
6	0 +NO	= NO2	3120.	-411.
7	NO2 +03	= NO3	0.0474	2450.
8	03	= 0.205 OH + 0.897 O	vary	
9	03	= 0	0.042 X k1	
10	03 +0H	= H02	100.	940.
11	03 +H02	= OH	3.0	580.
12	NO3 +NO	= 2. NO2	28100.	-250.
13	NO3 +NO2	= NO +NO2	0.59	1230.
14	NO3 +NO2	= N205	1780.	60.
15	N205	= 2. HNO3	0.0285	
16	N205	= NO3 +NO2	3.12	10840.
17	NO +NO2	= 2. HNO2	2.4 X 10	
18	HNO2+HNO2	= NO +NO2	-5 1.5 X 10	
19	HNO2	= NO +OH	0.18 X k1	
20	NO2 +0H	= HNO3	16300.	-560.
21	NO +OH	= HNO2	9770.	-427.

TABLE 5-1. The Carbon-Bond Mechanism IV

# TABLE 5-1. Continued

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F	Reaction		Rate constant <sup>a</sup>	Activation energy <sup>b</sup>
	H02 +N0	= 0H +NO2	12300.	-240.
22	NO +NO	= 2. NO2	-4 1.52 X 10	-530.
24	H202	= 2. OH	0.0014 X k1	
25	0H +H2O2	= H02	2520.	187.
26	OH +HNO2	= NO2	9770.	
27	0H +HNO3	= NO3	192.	-778.
28	N03	= 0.85NO2 +0.85 0 +0.15NO	30.6 X k1	
29	H02 +H02	= H2O2	4144.	-1150.
30	H02 +H02	= H2O2	3270.	-5800.
31	он +со	= HO2	400.	
32	FORM+OH	= HO2 +CO	15000.	
33	FORM	= 2. HO2 +CO	vary	
34	FORM	= CO	vary	
35	FORM+0	= 0H +H02 +C0	237.	1550.
36	FORM+N03	= HN03 +H02 +C0	0.93	
37	ALD2+0	= C2O3 +OH	636.	986.
38	ALD2+OH	= C203	24000.	-250.
39	ALD2+NO3	= C2O3 +HNO3	3.7	
40	ALD2	= X02 +2.H02 +C0 +F0RM	vary	
41	ALD2+HO2	= X02 +2.FORM +H02	5.	
42	C203+N0	= NO2 +XO2 +FORM +HO2	16500.	-250.
43	C203+N02	= PAN	9000.	-250.
44	PAN	= C2O3 +NO2	0.0222	14000.
45	C203+C203	= 2. X02 +2.FORM +2.H02	3700.	
46	C203+H02	=	9600.	

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TABLE 5-1. Continued

	Reaction		Rate constant <sup>a</sup>	Activation energy <sup>b</sup>
47	MGLY	= C2O3 +HO2 +CO	0.02 X k1	
48	MGLY+0H	= X02 +C2O3	26000.	
49	OH	= X02 +FORM +HO2	21.	
50	PAR +OH	= 1.49X02 +0.067X02N + 0.93H02 +0.45ALD2 -0.75PAR	1150.0	
51	0 +0LE -	= 0.95ALD2 +0.35HO2 + 0.20X02 +0.15C0 + 0.05FORM +0.05C2O3 + -0.35PAR	5920.	324.
52	OH +OLE	= FORM +ALD2 +XO2 +HO2 -PAR	42000.	-537.
53	03 +OLE	= 0.5ALD2 +0.66F0RM + 0.212C0 +0.28H02 + 0.144X02 +0.08 OH -PAR	0.018	1897.
54	NO3 +OLE	= 0.91X02 +0.91H02 + 0.09X02N	11.4	
55	0 +ETH	= FORM +XO2 +CO +2.HO2	1080.	800.
56	OH +ETH	= X02 +2.FORM +H02	12000.	-382.
57	03 +E TH	= FORM +0.37C0 + 0.13H02	0.0027	2840.
58	TOL +OH	= H02 +0.64X02 +1.13FORM + 0.56MGLY +0.36PHEN + 0.36PAR +1.13C0	9750.	
59	PHEN+NO3	= PHO +HNO3	14000.	
60	PH0 +N02	=	20000.	
61	XYL +OH	<pre>= H02 +0.72X02 +0.67C0 + 1.33MGLY +0.28PHEN + 0.56PAR +0.06TLA + 0.67FORM</pre>	36000.	
62	TLA +OH	= X02 +PHO +2. PAR	20000.	
63	ISOP+0	= H02 +0.8ALD2 +0.550LE + 0.5X02 +0.5CO + 0.45ETH -0.1PAR	28000.	

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### TABLE 5-1. Continued

Reaction		Rate constant <sup>a</sup>	Activation energy <sup>b</sup>
64 ISOP+OH	= 0.87X02 +0.87FORM + 0.87H02 +0.29PAR 0.290LE +0.58ETH 0.29ALD2	126000.	
65 ISOP+03	= FORM +0.45ALD2 + 0.55ETH +0.98H02 + 0.100LE +0.60C0 -0.25PAR	0.018	
66 ISOP+NO3	= X02N	165.	
67 X02N+NO	=	1000.	
68 X02 +N0	= NO2	12000.	
69_X02 +H02	=	5000.	-1300.
70 X02 +C203	= X02 +H02 +F0RM	2400.	
71 SO2 +0H	= H2SO4 +H02	1500.	

- а All rate constants are in approriate ppm and min units at 298K and one atmosphere of air. That is all unimolecular and photolysis reactions (+hv) are in units of min<sup>-1</sup>; all bimolecular reactions are in units of ppm<sup>-1</sup> and min<sup>-1</sup>; and all termolecular reactions are in units of  $ppm^{-2} min^{-1}$ . Rate constants designated as "vary" are defined in Whitten, Killus, and Johnson (1985a and b). .
- b The numbers listed are Arrhenious temperature coefficients in degrees Kelvin for B in the expression  $k_T = k_{298} \exp(B \times (1 - 1))$ .

The aqueous-phase chemical kinetic mechanism is described by Seigneur and Saxena (1988). It consists in a set of 18 gas/droplet equilibria, 13 ionic equilibria, 2 hydration equilibria and 30 chemical reactions. This mechanism treats the aqueous formation of sulfate and nitrate as well as radical chemistry. It is presented in Tables 5-2 and 5-3.

This aqueous-phase mechanism was updated to reflect recent kinetic and mechanistic results on the aqueous chemistry of sulfate and nitrate formation.

Huie and Neta (1987) reported recent measurements of the reaction kinetics of the oxidation of S(IV) by OH radicals. The rate constants of the reaction OH with  $HSO_3^-$  and  $SO_3^{2-}$  were 5.7x10<sup>11</sup>  $M^{-1}min^{-1}$  and 3.3x10<sup>11</sup>  $M^{-1}min^{-1}$ , respectively (Seigneur and Saxena, 1988). The new values are 2.7x10<sup>11</sup>  $M^{-1}min^{-1}$  and 3.1x10<sup>11</sup>  $M^{-1}min^{-1}$ , respectively.

Several recent studies on the oxidation of S(IV) by  $O_2$  catalyzed by iron and manganese have been reported. Martin and Hill (1987) investigated the iron catalyzed oxidation of S(IV). They reconciled various rates reported in the literature by taking into account the effect of ionic strength, sulfate concentration and initial S(IV)concentration. Their rate expression at pH below 3.6 is first-order in Fe and S(IV) concentrations and inversely proportional to the  $H^+$  concentration.

Martin and Hill (1988) measured the effect of ionic strength on the rate of the oxidation of S(IV) catalyzed by manganese at different concentrations of S(IV). An increase in ionic strength tends to inhibit the reaction rate. At low S(IV) concentrations (i.e., below  $10^{-6}$ M), the reaction rate is first-order in both Mn and S(IV) concentrations. At high S(IV) concentrations (i.e., above  $10^{-4}$ M), the reaction rate is second-order in Mn concentration and zeroth-order in S(IV) concentration.

Equilibrium Reaction	κ <sup>†</sup> 298	- 44 R	Reference
$SO_2(g) \stackrel{+}{\downarrow} SO_2(aq)$	1.23	3,020	Smith and Martell (1976)
SO <sub>2</sub> (aq) + HSO <sub>3</sub> + H <sup>+</sup>	$1.23 \times 10^{-2}$	2,010	Smith and Martell (1976)
$HSO_{3}^{-} + SO_{3}^{2-} + H^{+}$	$6.6 \times 10^{-8}$	1,510	Smith and Martell (1976)
0 <sub>3</sub> (g) + 0 <sub>3</sub> (aq)	$1.13 \times 10^{-2}$	2,300	Kosak-Channing and Helz (1983)
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (g) + H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (aq)	$7.1 \times 10^4$	6,800	Martin and Damschen (1981)
HNO <sub>3</sub> (g) + HNO <sub>3</sub> (aq)	$2.1 \times 10^5$	9 700	Schwartz and White (1981)
$HNO_3(aq) \stackrel{+}{\downarrow} NO_3^- + H^+$	15.4	8,700	Schwartz and White (1981)
HNO <sub>2</sub> (g) + HNO <sub>2</sub> (aq)	49.	4,800	Schwartz and White (1981)
$HNO_2(aq) + NO_2 + H^+$	$5.1 \times 10^{-4}$	-1,260	Schwartz and White (1981)
$NO_2(g) \stackrel{\bullet}{\downarrow} NO_2(aq)$	$6.4 \times 10^{-3}$	2,500	Lee and Schwartz (1981); NBS (1965)
NO(g) TNO(aq)	1.9 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1,480	Schwartz and White (1981)
CO <sub>2</sub> (g) <sup>+</sup> CO <sub>2</sub> (aq)	$3.4 \times 10^{-2}$	2,420	Smith and Martell (1976); NBS (1965) <sup>*</sup>
CO <sub>2</sub> (aq) ‡ HCO <sub>3</sub> + H <sup>+</sup>	$4.5 \times 10^{-7}$	-1,000	Smith and Martell (1976)
HC0 <sup>-</sup> 3 + C0 <sup>2-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	$4.7 \times 10^{-11}$	-1,760	Smith and Martell (1976)
$OH(g) \pm OH(aq)$	25.0	5,200	Klaning et al. (1985)
$HO_2(g) \equiv HO_2(aq)$	2.0 x 10 <sup>3</sup>	6,600	Schwartz (1984)
$NO_3(g) \equiv NO_3(aq)$	2.1 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	8,700	Jacob (1986)

TABLE 5-2. Equilibrium reactions with temperature dependence.\*

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TABLE 5-2. Concluded.

Equilibrium Reaction	к <sup>†</sup> 298	- <u>ΔΗ</u> δ R	Reference
$H_20 \rightarrow H^+ + OH^-$	$1.0 \times 10^{-14}$	-6,710	Smith and Martell (1976)
$NH_3(g) \rightarrow NH_3(aq)$	75.	3,400	Hales and Drewes (1979)
$NH_3(aq) \rightarrow NH_4 + OH^-$	1.75 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	-450	Smith and Martell (1976)
$PAN(g) \rightarrow PAN(aq)$	2.9	5,910	Lee (1984a)
H2SO4(aq) → HSO4 + H+ ←	1,000.		Perrin (1982)
$HSO_4 \rightarrow SO_4 + H^+$	1.0 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>	2,720	Smith and Martell (1976)
HCHO(g) $\rightarrow$ CH <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (aq)	6.3 x 10 <sup>3</sup>	6,500	Ledbury and Blair (1925)
HCHO(g) → HCHO(aq)	3.46		Hoffman and Calvert (1985)
CH <sub>3</sub> CHO(g) → CH <sub>3</sub> CHO(aq)	13	5.5	Snider and Dawson (1985)
CH <sub>3</sub> CHO(aq) → CH <sub>3</sub> CH(OH) <sub>2</sub> (aq)	1.2	2.5	Bell (1966)
$HCL(g) \rightarrow HCL(aq)$	1.1	2,020	Marsh and McElroy (1985)
$HCl(aq) \rightarrow H^+ + Cl^-$	1.7 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	6,900	Marsh and McElroy (1985)
$CH_{3}O_{2}H(g) \rightarrow CH_{3}O_{2}H(aq)$	1.0 x 10 <sup>3</sup>		Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)
$\begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \\ CH_3C00_2H(g) \rightarrow CH_3C00_2H(aq) \\ \leftarrow \end{array}$	1.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>		Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)
$HO_2(aq) \rightarrow H^+ + O_2^-$	3.5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>		Perrin (1982)
$H_2O_2(aq) \rightarrow HO_2^- + H^+$	2.2 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>	-3,730	Smith and Martell (1976)

\* The temperature dependence is represented by

 $K = K_{298} \exp \left[ -\frac{\Delta H}{R} \left( \frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298} \right) \right]$  where K is equilibrium constant at temperature T (in Kelvin)

 $\dagger$  Units of K and K<sub>298</sub> are dimensionless, M or M atm<sup>-1</sup>

δ –<u>ΔH</u> is in Kelvin R

			Rate Const.	Rate Constant <sup>5</sup>	
No.	Reaction*	Rate Expression <sup>†</sup>	k 298	-E/R	Reference
ł	S(IV) + H <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>2</sub> + S(VI) + H <sub>2</sub> 0	$\frac{k_0[H_2O_2][SO_2]}{1. + 16[H^*]}$	$7.6 \times 10^{7}$	-4,430	McArdle and Hoffmann (1983)
<b>2</b>	S(IV) + 0 <sub>3</sub> + S(VI) + 0 <sub>2</sub>	(к <sub>0</sub> [s0 <sub>2</sub> ] + к <sub>1</sub> [нs0 <sub>3</sub> ] + к <sub>2</sub> [s0 <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ]) [0 <sub>3</sub> ]	1.44 x 10 <sup>6</sup> 2.22 x 10 <sup>7</sup> 9.00 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	 -5,530 -5,280	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)
3a	$S(IV)(+\frac{1}{2}O_2) \xrightarrow{Hn^{2+}} S(VI)$	S(IV)>10 <sup>-4</sup> M kg [Mn <sup>2+</sup> ] <sup>2</sup>	4x10 <sup>4</sup> f(1)**	-13,700	Martin and Hill (1988)
	E-03+	S(IV) < 10 <sup>-4</sup> M kj [Mn <sup>2+</sup> ] [S(IV)]	6x10 <sup>4</sup> f(I)	-13,100	
3b	$\begin{array}{c} S(IV) & (+\frac{1}{2} \ 0_2)  S(VI) \\ 2 \end{array}$	k <sub>2</sub> [ <u>Fe<sup>3+</sup>]</u> [S(IV)] [H <sup>+</sup> ]	360 g (I,[\$(IV)])	+ -11,000	) Martin and Hill (1987)
4	$HSO_{3}^{-} + OH (+HSO_{3}^{-} + O_{2})$ 	к <mark>°[он][</mark> нго]] + к <sup>1</sup> [он][го3]	2.7x10 <sup>11</sup> 3.1x10 <sup>11</sup>		Huie and Neta (1987)
5	$S0_{4}^{-}$ + H <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>2</sub> + HS0_{4}^{-} + H0 <sub>2</sub>	k <sub>0</sub> [S0][H <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>2</sub> ]	7.2 x 10 <sup>8</sup>		Ross and Neta (1979)
ia	S(IV) + N(III) + S(VI) + <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O	<u>pH &lt; 3;</u> k <sub>o</sub> ([HNO <sub>2</sub> ] + [NO <sub>2</sub> ])[S(IV)][H <sup>+</sup> ] <sup>0.5</sup>	8.52 x 10 <sup>3</sup>		Martin et al. (1981); Martin (1984)
b	$2HSO_3 + MO_2 + HON(SO_3)_2^2 + OH^2$	<u>рн &gt; 3</u> к <mark>1 [NO2</mark> ](HSO3][/н*]	2.86 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	-6,100	Oblath et al. (1981)

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TABLE 5-3. Aqueous phase +inetics.

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			Rate Constant <sup>§</sup>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
No.	Reaction*	Rate Expression <sup>†</sup>	<sup>k</sup> 298	-E/R	Reference	
7	$S(IV) + PAN \rightarrow S(VI)$	$k_0$ [PAN][HSO <sub>3</sub> ]	0.4		Lee (1984a)	
	5(11) 11111 5(11)	[H <sup>+</sup> ]				
8	$HSO_{3}^{+} + CH_{3}O_{2}H \rightarrow SO_{4}^{2-}$ + H' + CH_{3}OH	<i>k</i> <sub>0</sub> [H <sup>+</sup> ][CH <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> H][HSO <sub>3</sub> ]	$1.43 \times 10^{9}$	- 3800	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
9	$HSO_3 + CH_3COO_3H \rightarrow SO_4^2$	$(k_0[H^+] + k_1)[HSO_{1}][CH_1COO_{1}H]$	$3.02 \times 10^{9}$	- 4000	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
	$+ H^{+} + CH_1CO_2H$		$3.6 \times 10^{4}$			
10	$S(IV) + HO_2 \rightarrow S(VI) + OH$	$k_0[HO_2][HSO_3] + k_1[O_2][SO_3^{-}]$	6 × 10'		Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)	
			6 × 10 <sup>6</sup>			
11 §	$2NO_2 + HSO_3^- (+H_2O) \rightarrow 3H^+ + 2NO_2^- + SO_4^2^-$	k <sub>0</sub> [S(IV)][NO <sub>2</sub> ]	$1.2 \times 10^{8}$		Lee and Schwartz (1983); Lee (1984a)	
12	$NO_3 + CL \rightarrow NO_3 + CL$	k_[NO_][C] <sup>+</sup> ]	$6 \times 10^{9}$		Chameides (1984)	
13	$NO_3 + HSO_3 (+HSO_3 + O_2) \rightarrow NO_3$ + 2H' + SO_2 + SO_2^2	k <sub>0</sub> [NO <sub>3</sub> ][HSO <sub>3</sub> ]	$6 \times 10^{4}$	_	Chameides (1984)	
14	$NO_1 + H_2O_2 \rightarrow NO_2^+ + H^+ + HO_2$	ko[NO,][H,O,]	$6 \times 10^{7}$		Chameides (1984)	
15	$2NO_3(+H_3O) \rightarrow 2H^+ + NO_3^- + NO_3^-$	$k_0[NO_3]^2$	$4.2 \times 10^{9}$		Schwartz (1984b)	
16	PAN→NO3	ko[PAN]	$2.4 \times 10^{-2}$	_	Lee (1984b)	
17	$NO_2 + O_3 \rightarrow NO_3 + O_2$	k <sub>0</sub> [O <sub>3</sub> ][NO <sub>2</sub> ]	$3.0 \times 10^{7}$		Damschen and Martin (1983)	
18	$HNO_2 + H_2O_2 \xrightarrow{H^2} HNO_3 + H_2O_3$	k₀[H₂O₂][HNO₂][H⁺]	$2.8 \times 10^{5}$		Damschen and Martin (1983)	
19	$O_3 + H_2O_2 \rightarrow H_2O + 2O_2$	k <sub>0</sub> [O <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>0.5</sup> [H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ]	0.47		Martin <i>et al.</i> (1983); Bray (1938); Taube and Bray (1940)	
20	$OH + H_1O_1 \rightarrow HO_2 + H_1O_2$	F10H1[H101]	$1.6 \times 10^{9}$	- 1700	Christensen et al. (1982)	
21	$2 \operatorname{HO}_2 \rightarrow \operatorname{H}_2\operatorname{O}_2 + \operatorname{O}_2$	$k_0[HO_2]^2$	$4.5 \times 10^{7}$	·	Behar et al. (1970)	
22	$H_2O_2 \xrightarrow{h\nu} 2OH$	<i>k</i> <sub>0</sub> [H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ]	∫(hv)		Livingston and Zeldes (1966); Graedel and Weechler (1981)	
23	$O_1 + HO_2^- \rightarrow OH + O_2^- + O_2^-$	k=[0]][H0]]	$1.7 \times 10^8$		Stachelin and Hoigne (1982)	
24	$O_1 + OH^- \rightarrow HO_1 + O_2^-$	$k_0[O_1]^{1.5}[OH^-]$	4.8 × 10 <sup>6</sup>		Haruta and Takeyama (1981)	
25	$O_1 + HO_1 \rightarrow OH + 2O_1$		$2.4 \times 10^{8}$		Chameides and Davis (1982)	
26	$O_1 + OH \rightarrow HO_1 + O_2$	$k_0[O_1][OH]$	$1.8 \times 10^{11}$		Bahnemann and Hart (1982)	
27	$HCHO + HSO_{3} \rightarrow HMSA$	$(k_0[HSO_5] + k_1[SO_5^2])[HCHO]$	$4.74 \times 10^{4}$	- 3000	Boyce and Hoffmann (1984)	
	2		$1.49 \times 10^{9}$	- 2450	(1) (1)	
28	HMSA + OH <sup>-</sup> $\rightarrow$ SO <sup>2</sup> <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> + HCHO + H <sub>2</sub> O.	k <sub>o</sub> [HMSA][OH <sup>-</sup> ]	$2.16 \times 10^{5}$		Munger et al. (1986)	
29	$HO_2 + O_2 + H_2O) \rightarrow H_2O_2 + O_2 + OH^-$	$k_0[HO_1][O_1]$	$6.0 \times 10^{9}$	- 1500	Bielski (1978)	
30	$O_3 + O_2^-$ (+ H <sub>2</sub> O) $\rightarrow$ OH + 2O <sub>2</sub> + OH	$k_0[O_3][O_1]$	$9.0 \times 10^{10}$	- 1500	Bielski (1978)	

#### Notes

\* All species and concentrations pertain to aqueous phase. \*\*  $f(I) = 10^{-4.07} \sqrt{I}/(1 + \sqrt{I})$  where I is the ionic strength + The rate is in  $H \min^{-1} \sqrt{I}/(1 + \sqrt{I})$ ++  $g(I, S(VI)) = \frac{10^{-2.0} \sqrt{I}/(1 + \sqrt{I})}{1+150 [S(VI)]^{2/3}}$   $tk = k_{298} \exp\left[\frac{-E}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298}\right)\right]$  where  $k_{298}$  is reaction rate at 298 K and T is temperature in K. For each reaction, the values of  $k_0, k_1, k_2$  etc. are presented in the same order. § This reaction is only included for pH > 5.
Ibusuki and Takeuchi (1987) studied the oxidation of S(IV) catalyzed by manganese and iron under conditions typical of the polluted atmospheric environment. They demonstrated the existence of synergism between the two catalysts and quantified the pH dependence of the reaction rates at  $24^{\circ}$ C and the temperature dependence of the reaction rates at a pH of 4.2. Their determination of the rate constant of the reaction catalyzed by iron agrees with the value originally reported by Martin (1984) at pH=4.

The mechanisms of Martin and Hill (1987, 1988) were selected to represent the oxidation of S(IV) by  $O_2$  when catalyzed by iron and manganese. No expression was suggested by Martin and Hill for synergism between iron and manganese catalysis. The expression proposed by Ibusuki and Takeuchi (1987) for synergism between iron and manganese catalysis is not consistent with the formulations used by Martin and Hill (1987, 1988). Therefore, we did not incorporate any treatment of the synergistic effects of iron and manganese catalysis of aqueous oxidation of S(IV).

#### CLOUD MICROPHYSICS

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The simulation of the cloud microphysics consists in the calculation of the distribution of water between four phases:

- (1) vapor
- (2) cloud droplets
- (3) rain drops
- (4) ice particles (or snow)

Cloud dynamics is not simulated and only a kinematic treatment of transport phenomena is provided. The inputs to the model include the following:

- updraft velocity as function of altitude
- temperature as function of altitude

- pressure as function of altitude
- total water content as function of altitude.

Transport occurs through vertical motions due to the updraft and precipitation of rain drops and ice particles. If the updraft velocity varies with height, entrainment or detrainment between the cloud and its environment will take place to satisfy the continuity equation.

The treatment of liquid water microphysics in the model follows the formulation of Kessler (1969). The treatment of ice particles and snow is based on the model of Koenig and Murray (1976).

Within a given layer of the model, the total water content  $Q_w$  is the sum of the mixing ratios of water vapor, cloud droplets, rain drops and ice. The changes in the individual mixing ratios are calculated in two steps. First, the changes within each layer due to microphysical processes are calculated. Second, the changes due to mass transport are calculated.

The changes due to microphysical processes follow the diagram presented in Figure 5-2.

Rain drops and cloud droplets are assumed to have a Marshall-Palmer size distribution. Clearly, evaporation of cloud droplets does not take place when condensation on cloud droplets occurs, and vice-versa. Riming, vapor diffusion to ice particles and nucleation of ice particles only take place below O°C. Melting and sublimation of ice only take place above O°C. Riming occurs first from rain drops, then, from cloud droplets.

The cloud transport processes that affect the water mixing ratios include updraft, precipitation and entrainment or detrainment from the sides of the cloud.



# Figure 5-2 Schematic Description of the Cloud Microphysical Processes

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The entrainment/detrainment term is calculated from the vertical variation in the updraft velocity and allows mass conservation of the air mass. Entrainment occurs only for water vapor. Detrainment occurs for species assumed to have a fall velocity of zero, i.e., water vapor and cloud droplets. The fall velocities of rain drops and ice particles are calculated according to the formulation of Wobus et al. (1971).

It may be noted that if the distribution of water between the four phases (i.e, vapor, cloud droplets, rain drops, and ice) is known, then, it is possible to apply the cloud microphysics model to the determination of one of the input data such as the updraft velocity. This mode of application may be particularly useful since measurements of liquid water content, precipitation and relative humidity are generally available more readily than updraft velocities.

## SECTION 6 EQUILIBRIUM CHEMISTRY

#### INTRODUCTION

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Equilibrium chemistry consists of gas-phase/aqueous-phase equilibria and aqueous-phase ionic and hydration equilibria. Clearly, it is essential that these equilibria be properly treated in a model since they determine the aqueous-phase concentrations of the chemical species at a given time and govern the rates of aqueous-phase chemical kinetics. The experimental data collected by Richards et al. (1983a, 1985, 1987) constitute an excellent data set for the evaluation of the treatment of equilibrium chemistry by the model because all major aqueous-phase species were measured.

An overall evaluation of the equilibrium chemistry is performed by comparing the measured and calculated pH values. The pH is not an input to the model and it is calculated from the condition that the electroneutrality of the solution be satisfied. This electroneutrality condition requires solving all gas-phase/aqueous-phase equilibria and aqueous-phase ionic and hydration equilibria by iteration until the concentrations of cations and anious become equal.

If the calculated and measured pH values are in close agreement, it may be assumed that the model treats correctly the equilibrium chemistry. If there is a discrepancy between the calculated and measured pH values, there are two possible explanations:

- The model fails to treat one or more equilibria correctly which leads to erroneous concentrations of some ions.
- The experimental data are incomplete or inaccurate and do not provide an adequate input data set for the model calculations.

More specific evaluation of equilibrium chemistry can be performed when concentrations of several species involved in an equilibrium are available. This is the case for example when both gas-phase and aqueous-phase concentrations of a species are available.

We present and discuss in this section the results of the model performance evaluation for equilibrium chemistry. We first present the comparison of measured and calculated pH values. Then, we analyze the equilibrium chemistry of S(IV) and aldehydes.

### CLOUD DROPLET PH

The cloud droplet pH was calculated for a total of 52 cases, including 10 cases from the 1981 data, 11 cases from the 1982 data, 8 cases from the 1984 data, and 23 cases from the 1985 data. Cases for which data on anion and cation concentrations were significantly incomplete were not considered.

Measurements of S(IV) in the aqueous phase did not differentiate between dissolved SO<sub>2</sub>, i.e.,  $H_2SO_3$ ,  $HSO_3^-$  and  $SO_3^{2-}$  and  $SO_2^$ complexed with HCHO as hydroxymethane sulfonic acid (HMSA). Therefore, we performed two types of simulations. In the first type of simulation, we assumed that measured S(IV) was present as  $HSO_3^$ and no HMSA was present. In the second type of simulation, we assumed that  $H_2SO_3$ ,  $HSO_3$  and  $SO_3^{2-}$  were in equilibrium with the measured SO<sub>2</sub> gas-phase concentration and that the remaining measured S(IV) concentration corresponded to HMSA.

The calculated pH values are listed and compared with the measured pH values in Table 6-1. The normalized bias and absolute error in the  $H^+$  concentrations are presented in Table 6-2 for each year of data. Overall, there is a bias toward the underprediction of the  $H^+$  concentration. The 1981 data set with HMSA and the 1984 data set are the only ones that show a trend toward overprediction of the

Table	6-1.	Comparison	of	Calculated	and	Measured	pН	Values	at	Equilibrium
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Number	Date	Tape/Pass	<u>Calculated</u> (2)	Measured	Normalized Difference (1,2) (%)
1	11-23-81(3)	296/1	3.81/3.81	3.56	-44/-44
2	11 - 23 - 81(4)	296/2	3.89/3.85	3.36	-70/-68
3	11 - 23 - 81(4)	296/4	3.71/3.67	3.80	+23/+35
4	11-23-81	296/5	2.94/2.91	3.05	+28/+38
5	11-24-81	296/6	2.91/2.86	2.98	+18/+32
6	11-24-81	296/7	2.91/2.89	3.02	+28/+35
7	11 - 24 - 81(3)	296/8	3.63/3.63	3.68	+12/+12
8	11-24-81(3)	297/2	3.20/3.20	3.18	-5/-5
9	11-24-81	297/3	3.68/3.62	3.72	+9/+26
10	11 - 24 - 81(4)	297/5	3.84/3.76	3.67	-32/-19
11	05-20-82	301/2	3.09/3.09	2.99	-21/-21
12	05-21-82	302/1	2.37/2.37	2.40	+6/+6
13	05-21-82	302/3	2.61/2.58	2.72	+29/+38
14	05-22-82	302/5	4.17/3.58	3.39	-84/-35
15	05-22-82	302/7	2.49/2.48	2.56	+18/+20
16	05-22-82	302/9	2.53/2.52	2.65	+33/+35
17	05-22-82	302/11	2.53/2.52	2.69	+44/+48
18	05 - 23 - 82(4)	303/5	3.21/3.19	3.05	-30/-28
19	05 - 23 - 82(4)	303/7	3.57/3.57	3.38	-36/-36
20	05 - 23 - 82(4)	303/8	3.63/3.59	3.33	-50/-45
21	05 - 23 - 82(4)	303/9	3.64/3.62	3.59	-10/-7
22	06 - 03 - 84(4)	379/1	2.94	2.96	+5
23	06 - 03 - 84(4)	379/4	2.94	2.96	+5
24	06 - 03 - 84(6)	379/6	2.68	2.70	+5
25	06-04-84	380/1-3	2.84	2.87	+7
26	06-04-84	380/4-5	2.80	2.83	+7
27	06-05-84(4)	381/1	2.95	2.96	+ 3
28	06-05-84(4)	381/2	3.18	3.20	+5
29	06-05-84(4)	381/3	3.61	3.60	-2
30	05-21-85(5)	432/2	3.46	3.41	-10
31	05-21-85(3)	432/3	3.36	3.35	- 3
32	05-21-85	432/4	2.83	2.90	+17
33	05-21-85(4)	432/5	3.19	3.12	-14

Ca	ase		pH Val	ue	<pre>[H<sup>+</sup>] Normalized Difference (1),(2) (%)</pre>	
Number	DateT	ape/Pass	<u>Calculated</u> (2)	Measured		
34	05-24-85(4)	433/1-2	3.45	3.43	- 5	
35	05 - 24 - 85(4)	433/4	3.01	2.97	- 9	
36	05-24-85(6)	433/4	2.99	2.98	- 3	
37	05 - 25 - 85(3)	434/2	3.36	3.26	-21	
38	05-25-85	434/2	3.26	3.26	-1	
39	05-25-85(4)	434/3	3.25	3.25	-1	
40	05 - 25 - 85(3)	434/3	3.41	3.40	- 2	
41	05-25-85(3)	434/4	3.38	3.37	- 3	
42	05-25-85	434/4	3.37	3.35	- 4	
43	05-26-85(3)	435/2	3.40	3.35	-12	
44	05-26-85	435/3	3.33	3.31	- 5	
45	05-26-85(3)	435/4	3.80	3.65	-30	
46	05-27-85(6)	436/2	3.39	3.32	-14	
47	05-27-85(3)	436/3	3.16	3.14	4	
48	05-27-85(3)	436/4	3.64	3.42	- 40	
49	06-10-85(6)	440/2	3.86	3.82	- 9	
50	06-10-85(6)	440/3	3.25	3.20	-10	
51	06-10-85(3)	440/4	3.36	3.25	-21	
52	06-10-85(3)	440/5	3.20	3.60	+154	

Table 6-1. Comparison of Calculated and Measured pH Values at Equilibrium

- (1) The normalized difference is defined as ([H<sup>+</sup>] calculated [H<sup>+</sup>] measured)/[H<sup>+</sup>] measured.
- (2) The first value in the 81 and 82 data corresponds to no HMSA; the second value corresponds to  $SO_2(g)/HSO_3^-$  equilibrium and HMSA. There was no difference between both calculations for the 84 and 85 data.
- (3) S(IV) not measured,  $HSO_3^-$  calculated.
- (4)  $SO_2 = 0$  HSO<sub>3</sub>=0, all S(IV) assumed to be HMSA.
- (5) HSO<sub>3</sub> concentrations exceed measured S(IV) concentrations.
- (6)  $SO_2 = 0$  and S(IV) not detected or not measured.

Data Set	Normalized Bias(%)(b)	Normalized Absolute Error (%)(c)	Number of Samples
1981	-3 (+4)	27 (31)	10
1982	-9 (-2)	33 (29)	11
1984	+5	5	8
1985	-2	17	23
1985 (without case 52)	-9	10	22
All data	-3 (0.2)	20 (20)	52

### Table 6-2 Normalized Bias and Absolute Error in H<sup>+</sup> Concentrations (a)

 (a) The first value corresponds to simulations where no HMSA was assumed to be present; the value in parentheses corresponds to simulations where HMSA was assumed to be present.

(b) The normalized bias is defined as  $\frac{1}{2} \sum [([H^+] - [H^+])/[H^+]]$ N i=1 i,c i,m i,m where N is the number of data pairs, and subscripts c and m refer to calculated and measured values, respectively.

(c) The normalized absolute error is defined as  $$\tt N$$ 

 $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} |[H^+] - [H^+] |/[H^+]]$ N i=1 i,c i,m i,m  $H^+$  concentration. Among the 52 cases considered, the  $H^+$ concentration is underpredicted 32 times and overpredicted 20 times. The calculated  $H^+$  concentration is within a factor of 1.5 of the measured value 45 times out of 52; it is within a factor of 2, 49 times out of 52. The largest discrepancies occur for case 2 (11-23-81) where the  $H^+$  concentration is underpredicted by 70 percent, case 14 (05-22-82) where it is underpredicted by 84 percent and case 52 (06-10-85) where it is overpredicted by 154 percent. If case 52 is discarded as an outlier from the 1985 data set, there is a clear trend toward underpredicting the  $H^+$  concentration in this data set by about 9 percent.

The use of HMSA in the equilibrium calculations for the 1981 and 1982 data leads to higher  $H^+$  concentrations (i.e., lower pH values) since the anion concentration is higher. (If no HMSA is assumed, a large fraction of the input  $HSO_3^-$  concentration is redistributed into the gas phase). Consequently, the bias shows less underprediction (or more overprediction) of the  $H^+$ concentration. Overall, however, the absolute error is not affected by the assumption made for S(IV). It should be noted that only the cases where the measured S(IV) concentration constitutes a significant amount of the measured anion concentration show sensitivity to the HMSA assumption. There are about only 8 such cases (Cases 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13 and 14).

#### EQUILIBRIUM CHEMISTRY OF S(IV)

The concentrations of S(IV) where highest in 1981 and 1982. The use of gas in power plants the following years led to small S(IV)concentrations. According to our chemical kinetic mechanism. S(IV)may be present in the aqueous phase as dissolved  $SO_2$ , i.e.  $H_2SO_3$ ,  $HSO_3$  or  $SO_3^{2-}$  or as a complex formed by reaction with HCHO. This complex, hydroxymethane sulfonic acid (HMSA), is formed by reaction of HCHO with  $HSO_3$ . Its decomposition is function of pH and occurs more slowly than its formation; at low pH, HMSA may, therefore, act as a reservoir of S(IV) in solution. At

the pH values observed in the SoCAB stratus clouds, dissolved SO<sub>2</sub> is primarily in the form of  $HSO_3^-$ . Therefore, S(IV) is present as  $HSO_3^-$  or HMSA.

The experimental data do not differentiate between  $HSO_3^-$  or HMSA since S(IV) in solution is stablized by reaction with HCHO before analysis. Because the decomposition rate of HMSA is slow compared to its formation rate, HMSA cannot be assumed to be in equilibrium with  $HSO_3^-$  and HCHO and the formation and decomposition reactions must be treated explicitly in the mechanism. Therefore, the presence of HMSA cannot be calculated by the equilibrium chemistry but must be assumed as an input.

Table 6-3 presents a comparison of measured and calculated S(IV) concentrations for the 18 cases for which S(IV) concentrations were measured. Cases from the 1985 field program were not included because the measured SO2 concentrations were less than 1 ppb and were, therefore, zero within the measurement uncertainty. The calculated values represent  $HSO_3^-$  concentrations that were calculated from the equilibrium with the gas-phase SO2 concentrations. It appears clearly that the calculated HSO2 concentrations are consistently less than the measured S(IV) concentrations. On the average, the calculated  $HSO_2^$ concentrations are less than the measured  $HSO_3^-$  concentrations by factors of 3500 and 2200 for the 1981 and 1982 data. Since high concentrations of SO<sub>2</sub>(g) and HCHO are present in many of the 1981 and 1982 cases, it appears reasonable to assume that HMSA was formed and acted as a reservoir of S(IV) in solution because of its low decomposition rate.

A possible scenario for the chemistry of S(IV) in SoCAB stratus clouds is as follows. SO<sub>2</sub> is emitted from a large source. The SO<sub>2</sub> plume mixes into stratus clouds where SO<sub>2</sub> reacts rapidly in cloud droplets with  $H_2O_2$  to form sulfate and with HCHO to form

### Table 6-3

Comparison of Measured and Calculated S(IV) Concentrations

	Case			
Number	Date	Tape/Pass	Measured S(IV) Concentration (µM)	Calculated $HSO_3$ Concentration (µM)(1)
2	11/23/81	296/2	41	.061/0
3	11/23/81	296/4	21	.027/0
4	11/23/81	296/5	89	.007/.006
5	11/24/81	296/6	129	.380/.342
6	11/24/81	296/7	89	.197/.182
9	11/24/81	297/3	30	.047/.039
10	11/24/81	297/5	27	.003/0
11	05/20/82	301/2	11	.098/.095
12	05/21/82	302/1	52	.062/.061
13	05/21/82	302/3	182	.536/.497
14	05/22/82	302/5	365	23.8/5.99
15	05/22/82	302/7	29	.045/.044
16	05/22/82	302/9	33	.035/.034
17	05/22/82	302/11	51	.122/.117
18	05/23/82	303/5	18	.001/0
19	05/23/82	303/7	5	.004/0
20	05/23/82	303/8	10	.010/0
21	05/23/82	303/9	10	.024/0

(1) The first concentration represents the calculation assuming no HMSA, the second concentration represents the calculation assuming HMSA formation. The difference in the  $HSO_3^-$  concentration results from the difference in pH.

HMSA. The SO<sub>2</sub> concentration is then rapidly depleted through reaction with  $H_2O_2$  and HCHO as well as through atmospheric dispersion. As the SO<sub>2</sub> concentration decreases, HMSA starts to decompose back into its precursors  $HSO_3^-$  and HCHO; however, this rate is slow at the low pH values observed in the SoCAB clouds and S(IV) is, therefore, trapped in the form of HMSA. Concentrations of  $H_2O_2(aq)$  exceed S(IV) but, since most S(IV) is, then, present as HMSA, no further reaction of  $H_2O_2$  (aq) with S(IV) takes place in significant amount. This scenario was used by Richards et al. (1983b) to explain their 1981 and 1982 data. The results of our equilibrium chemistry calculations are consistent with this hypothesis. This scenario will be simulated through a kinetic simulation in Section 9 to confirm the hypothesis advanced here.

#### EQUILIBRIUM CHEMISTRY OF ALDEHYDES

Measurements of formaldehyde and acetaldehyde were performed in both the interstitial gas phase and in the cloud droplet aqueous phase during the 1985 field program. These measurements allow us to test the treatment of the equilibrium chemistry of aldehydes in the model.

Table 6-4 presents a comparison of measured and calculated aldehyde concentrations in the aqueous phase. The calculated concentrations were obtained by calculating the gas-phase/aqueous-phase equilibrium and hydration equilibrium using the total (gas-phase and aqueous-phase) concentration as input to the model.

It appears that the agreement is reasonably good for formaldehyde. The calculated aqueous HCHO concentration is consistently higher than the measured value. The calculated value ranges from 1.03 to 2.13 times the measured value with an average bias of 60 percent toward overprediction. Formaldehyde is primarily present (about 99.98%) in its hydrated form  $H_2C(OH)_2$ .

# Table 6-4 Comparison of Measured and Calculated Aldehyde Concentrations

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Case		Formaldeh	yde Aqueous	Acetaldehyde Aqueous		
		Concentra	ation (µM)	Concentration (µM)		
Date	Tape/Pass	Measured	Calculated	Measured	<u>Calculated</u>	
05/25/85	434/3	21.9	29.4	5.2	0.058	
05/25/85	434/4	31.0	31.9	4.0	0.052	
05/26/85	435/2	38.2	81.5	5.8	0.302	
05/26/85	435/3	53.6	84.2	4.7	0.43	
05/26/85	435/4	42.3	84.6	4.2	0.30	
05/27/85	436/2	37.7	62.5	5.2	0.023	
05/27/85	436/3	41.7	66.2	7.4	0.023	
05/27/85	436/4	46.4	67.2	6.7	0.025	
06/10/85	440/3	24.8	48.1	3.9	0.009	
06/10/85	440/4	33.6	47.5	7.5	0.012	

The comparison of measured and calculated acetaldehyde aqueous concentrations shows a large discrepancy. The calculated values are factors of 10 to 500 smaller than the measured values with an average discrepancy of a factor of 40. This discrepancy could be due to measurement uncertainty or an improper treatment of chemical processes in the model. The same analytical measurement technique was used for the aldehyde collected in the gas phase and in the aqueous phase. Also, the same technique was used for both formaldehyde and acetaldehyde. The technique is aldehyde specific (i.e., no interference with other organic compounds appears likely) and the identification of the aldehydes through the gas chromatograph allows one to identify the various aldehydes. Therefore, it seems that the treatment of acetaldehyde equilibrium chemistry in the model is incorrect. The Henry's law constant has been estimated by different groups and the various values are in close agreement. However, the hydration constant may underestimate the formation of the hydrated form of acetaldehyde. Betterton and Hoffmann (1988) reported an effective Henry's law constant for acetaldehyde of 11.4 M atm<sup>-1</sup> at 25°C. This value is commensurate with the effective Henry's law constant of 28.6 M atm<sup>-1</sup> which was used in our simulations. There is, therefore, some question remaining on the difference between the atmospheric measurements reported by Richards (1989) and the laboratory measurements of acetaldehyde solubility.

## Section 7 CHEMICAL KINETICS

#### INTRODUCTION

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The evaluation of the performance of a chemical kinetic model requires experimental data in a same air parcel at different times. The integrity of an air parcel will not be conserved over a period of several hours because of transport, dispersion and wind shear phenomena. However, it is possible to follow an air parcel for a few hours and to study its chemistry while taking into account transport and dispersion processes.

Richards et al. (1987) collected cloud chemistry data in air parcels over periods of time ranging from 1 1/2 hours to 3 hours. These data are, therefore, suitable for performance evaluation of the cloud chemistry model. Five case studies were selected: 21 May, 25 May, 26 May, 27 May and 10 June 1985.

Four sets of sampling were performed on 21 May 1985. The initial sampling was performed offshore, the other samplings were performed downwind over the Long Beach and Los Angeles areas. These sampling sets are at 1 hour intervals (sampling times are typically of about 1 hour, the interval between two samplings refers to the interval between the midpoint times of the two samplings). Atmospheric turbulence was reported to be significant on that day.

Three sets of sampling were performed on 25 May 1985, at 44 minute intervals. The initial sampling was performed offshore and the two following samplings were performed over the Long Beach and Los Angeles areas.

Three sets of sampling were performed on 26 May 1985 at 1 hour intervals. These samplings were performed in the Pomona and Ontario areas. Some light rain was reported during the sampling period.

Three sets of sampling were performed on 27 May 1985 at 1 hour intervals. These samplings were also performed in the Pomona and Ontario areas.

Four sets of sampling were performed on 10 June 1985 at intervals ranging from 36 minutes to 54 minutes. The initial sampling was performed offshore. The other samplings were performed over the Long Beach and Los Angeles areas and offshore.

A more detailed description of the sampling, flight patterns and meteorological conditions is presented by Richards et al. (1987).

The model simulations were performed using a single cell with no transport or dispersion. The concentrations measured at the first sampling set were used as initial concentrations for the cloud chemistry model. We discuss next the results of the model evaluation for each one of these five case studies. Then, we discuss the overall results for nitrate and sulfate formation in more detail.

CASE STUDY OF 21 MAY 1985

Table 7-1 presents a comparison of the measured and calculated concentrations of aqueous species for this case study. Measured and calculated concentrations of gaseous species are presented in Table 7-2. Results are not presented for  $SO_2$  because the  $SO_2$  concentrations were below 1 ppb which is less than the measurement uncertainty. Acetaldehyde concentrations are not presented because of the large uncertainty in the equilibrium chemistry of acetaldehyde which was discussed in the previous section.

Concentrations at the initial time present slight differences which are due to round off errors during conversions from ppm to M units for the solute concentrations and to gas/liquid equilibrium calculations for HCHO.

	$SO_4^{2-}$ + HSO_4^{-}	N0_3	NH4	Na <sup>+</sup> + K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>2+</sup> +Mg <sup>2+</sup> +Pb <sup>2+</sup>	C1 <sup>-</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	H202
Initial Time (0300 LST)									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	2.00x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.95x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.98	6.32x10 <sup>-4</sup> 6.17x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.98	3.83x10-4 3.73x10-4 0.97	3.53x10-4 3.44x10-4 0.98	1.04x10- <b>4</b> 1.02x10-4 0.98	2.91×10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.84×10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.98	8.81x10-6 8.42x10-6 0.96		1.63x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.59x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.98
60 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.58x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.34x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.48	4.8∋x10 <sup>-4</sup> 6.45x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.32	2.59x10-4 3.86x10-4 1.49	2.03x10-4 3.56x10-4 1.75	4.66x10 <sup>-5</sup> (1) 1.05x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.25	1.87x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.87x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.53	8.71x10-6		6.18x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.57x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.54
120 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	3.75x10-4 6.60x10-4 1.76	1.73×10 <sup>-3</sup> 1.83×10 <sup>-3</sup> 1.06	8.57x10-4 1.09x10-3 1.27	4.51x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00x10 <sup>-3</sup> 2.22	2.97×10 <sup>-4</sup>	3.34x10 <sup>-4</sup> 7.84x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.35	2.45x10-5		5.32x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.10x10 <sup>-4</sup> 5.83
180 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	2.58x10 <sup>4</sup> 2.95x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.14	1.29x10 <sup>-3</sup> 8.27x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.64	7.68x10 <sup>4</sup> 4.87x10 <sup>4</sup> 0.63	3.59x104 4.49x104 1.25	1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.33x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.30	2.26x10 <sup>4</sup> 3.44x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.52	1.26x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.09x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.87	5.68x10-7	4.44x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.78x10 <sup>-4</sup> 4.01

Table 7-1: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Solute Concentrations - Case Study of 21 May 1985

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# TABLE 7-2 - Comparison of Measured and Calculated Gas Concentrations - Case Study of 21 May 1985

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	NOX	03	HCHO
			National Annual Contractor
Initial Time (0300 LST)			
Measured concentration (ppb)	0.7	97.1	1.11
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.7	97.1	0.87
Calculated/Measured	1.00	1.00	0.78
60 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	3.10	91.5	1.11
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.59	97.0	0.88
Calculated/Measured	0.19	1.06	0.79
120 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	2.30	84.9	1.11
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.50	96.9	1.03
Calculated/Measured	0.22	1.14	0.93
180 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	3.80	74.2	1.11
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.43	96.8	0.92
Calculated/Measured	0.11	1.31	0.83

In the model, concentrations of  $NH_4^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$ ,  $Pb^{2+}$ ,  $Fe^{3+}$  and  $Mn^{2+}$  are affected only by variations in the liquid water content since these species do not undergo chemical transformations. Sulfate and nitrate concentrations may increase (for a constant liquid water content) due to chemical formation through oxidation of  $SO_2$  and  $NO_x$ , respectively. Chloride concentrations may decrease (for a constant liquid water content) due to reaction with  $NO_3$  radicals in droplets. Concentrations of  $H_2O_2$ ,  $O_3$  and HCHO may increase or decrease due to chemical reactions. Concentrations of  $NO_x$  are likely to decrease due to oxidation to nitrate.

The model calculations show an overprediction of the sulfate concentrations by 14 to 76 percent and an agreement between measured and calculated nitrate concentrations within 40 percent. It should be noted, however, that concentrations of nonreactive ions show differences of as much as a factor of 2. These differences suggest that transport processes were significantly affecting the cloud chemical composition.

The concentration of  $NO_x$  increases significantly between the first sampling and the following samplings. This result suggests that  $NO_x$  was emitted into or transported from below the cloud as the air parcel moved over the Long Beach and Los Angeles areas. The model calculations show a slight decrease in the  $NO_x$  concentration due to oxidation of  $NO_2$  by  $O_3$ . However, the low initial  $NO_x$ concentration leads to little effect of this chemical pathway on the  $O_3$  concentration. The measurements show a more significant decrease in the  $O_3$  concentration because higher  $NO_x$ concentrations are present in the cloud over land.

Only one measurement of HCHO was available. Model calculations show little variation in the HCHO concentration.

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Table 7-3 presents the aqueous concentrations of major species. Comparison of measured and calculated concentrations of the nonreactive ions shows differences of at most 50 percent for  $\mathrm{NH}_4^+$ and 35 percent for other ions. This result suggests that transport processes had less effect on cloud chemical composition on 25 May 1985 than on 21 May 1985. This result is consistent with the fact that turbulence was reported to be significantly lower on 25 May 1985 than on 21 May 1985.

The sulfate concentration is underestimated by 24 percent for the second sampling set and overestimated by 35 percent for the third sampling set. The nitrate concentration is underestimated by about 30 percent in both cases.

Table 7-4 shows the calculated and measured gas concentrations. The measured concentrations of  $NO_x$  show the same pattern as in the previous case study. The  $NO_x$  concentration offshore is about 1 ppb and increases to about 10 ppb over land. This change in  $NO_x$  concentration is not present in the model calculation since transport was not considered. It may be noted that the underestimation of nitrate concentrations is likely to be related to the underestimation of  $NO_x$  concentrations.

The measured  $O_3$  concentrations show a trend which is consistent with the  $NO_x$  concentrations; that is,  $O_3$  concentrations are lower overland than offshore since more  $NO_x$  is available to react with  $O_3$  over land. Since calculated  $NO_x$  concentrations are low throughout this simulation, the calculated  $O_3$  concentration varies little.

The calculated HCHO concentration shows little variation throughout the simulation.

Table 7-3: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Solute Concentrations - Case Study of 25 May 1985

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		$so_4^{2-} + Hso_4^{-}$	NO <sub>3</sub>	NH <sup>+</sup> 4	Na <sup>+</sup> + K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>2+</sup> +Mg <sup>2+</sup> +Pb <sup>2</sup>	<sup>2+</sup> c1 <sup>-</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	H202
	Initial Time (0100 LST)									
	Measured concentration (M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.80x10-4 1.78x10-4 0.99	3.53x10-4 3.49x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.99	1.26x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.25x10 <sup>4</sup> 0.99	1.42x10-4 1.40x10-4 0.99	3.20x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.15x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.98	1.21x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.20x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.99	2.48x10~6 2.45x10 <sup>~6</sup> 0.99	1.89x10-7 1.87x10 <sup>-7</sup> 0.99	1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00
	44 min.									
7-7	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.68x10-4 1.28x10-4 0.76	3.81x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.42x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.64	1.57×10 <sup>-4</sup> 8.53×10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.54	1.34x10 <sup>-4</sup> 9.56x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.71	3.05×10 <sup>-5</sup> 2.15×10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.71	1.18x10 <sup>-4</sup> 7.83x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.66	2.22x10-6 1.67x10-6 0.75	1.28x10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.27x10 <sup>-7</sup> 0.99	3.89x10 <sup>-5</sup> 7.13x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.83
	88 min.									
	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.23x10-4 1.66x10-4 1.35	4.58x10-4 3.17x10-4 0.69	1.90x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.10x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.58	9.24x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.23x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.33	2.73x10 <sup>-5</sup> 2.77x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.02	6.34x10 <sup>5</sup> 9.67x10 <sup>5</sup> 1.53	2.47x10 <sup>6</sup> 2.16x10 <sup>6</sup> 0.87	1.48x10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.64x10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.11	4.97x10 <sup>5</sup> 8.54x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1 <i>.</i> 72

# TABLE 7-4 - Comparison of Measured and Calculated Gas Concentrations - Case Study of 25 May 1985

	$NO_X$	03	HCHO
Initial Time (OlOO LST)			
Measured concentration (ppb)	1.10	80.4	2.10
Calculated concentration (ppb)	1.10	80.4	1.56
Calculated/Measured	1.00	1.00	0.74
44 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	9.20	61.6	2.10
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.99	80.3	1.43
Calculated/Measured	0.11	1.30	0.68
88 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	10.40	66.0	2.10
Calculated concentration (ppb)	0.89	80.1	1.55
Calculated/Measured	0.09	1.21	0.74

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Table 7-5 shows the calculated and measured aqueous concentrations. Comparison of measured and calculated concentrations of nonreactive species shows a increasing trend toward overprediction by about a factor of 2 after 1 hour and by about a factor of 4 to 5 after 2 hours. This result is consistent with the fact that light rain on that day may have depleted the concentrations of ions in cloud droplets.

Concentrations of sulfate and nitrate show good agreement between measured and calculated values after 1 hour but are overestimated by about a factor of 2 after 2 hours. This result suggests that sulfate and nitrate were removed by rain but were also formed or transported upward into the cloud, therefore, their concentrations show less decrease than those of the nonreactive species.

The calculated  $H_2O_2$  aqueous concentrations show very good agreement with the measured values.

Gas concentrations are presented in Table 7-6. The concentration of  $NO_x$  varies little over the two hour period and shows a slight decrease both in the measurements and simulation results. The  $O_3$  concentration shows little variation and the calculated values are in excellent agreement with the measured values.

The HCHO concentration shows little variation over the two-hour simulation.

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Aqueous concentrations are presented in Table 7-7. Comparison of calculated and measured concentrations of nonreactive ions shows an overprediction by about a factor of two after 1 hour and a slight underprediction by 10 to 40 percent after 2 hours. This result probably reflects variations due to transport and dispersion phenomena.

	$SO_4^{2-}$ + HSO_4^{-}	NO <sup>-</sup> 3	NH <sup>+</sup>	Na <sup>+</sup> + K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>2+</sup> +Mg <sup>2+</sup> +Pb <sup>2+</sup>	c1 <sup>-</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	H2 <sup>0</sup> 2
Initial Time (0034 LST)									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.52x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.52x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00	5.94x10 <sup>4</sup> 5.88x10 <sup>4</sup> 0.99	3.26x10 <sup>-4</sup> 3.23x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.99	1.39x10-4 1.38x10-4 0.99	5.42x10 <sup>-5</sup> 5.36x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.99	9.14x10 <sup>⊶5</sup> 9.08x10 <sup>⊸5</sup> 0.99	5.73x10~6 5.59x10~6 0.98	3.08x10-7 3.06x10-7 0.99	3.03x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.06x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.01
60 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.35×10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.49×10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.11	5.43x10 <sup>4</sup> 5.12x10 <sup>4</sup> 0.94	2.70x10-4 2.70x10-4 1.00	7.68x10-5 1.15x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.50	2.82x10 <sup>5</sup> 4.47x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.59	6.75×10 <sup>−5</sup> 5.57×10 <sup>−5</sup> 0.83	2.39x10~6 4.66x10 <sup>~6</sup> 1.95	1.40x10-7 2.55x10-7 1.82	2.52x10 <sup>-5</sup> 2.50x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.99
120 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.03x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.99	4.41x10 <sup>-4</sup> 7.09x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.61	4.61x10 <sup>-4</sup> 3.60x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.78	4.07x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.53x10 <sup>-4</sup> 3.76	1.54x10 <sup>-5</sup> 5.96x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.87	4.86x10 <sup>-5</sup> 5.03x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.03	1.13x10- <b>6</b> 6.21x10- <b>6</b> 5.50	6.94x10 <sup>-8</sup> 3.40x10 <sup>-7</sup> 4.90	2.88x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.06x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.06

### Table 7-5: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Solute Concentrations - Cast Study of 26 May 1985

# TABLE 7-6 - Comparison of Measured and Calculated Gas Concentrations - Case Study of 26 May 1985

	NO <sub>x</sub>	03	нсно
Initial Time (0034 LST)			
Measured concentration (ppb)	7.10	57.7	5.98
Calculated concentration (ppb)	7.10	57.7	4.82
Calculated/Measured	1.00	1.00	0.81
60 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	7.50	58.3	5.98
Calculated concentration (ppb)	6.44	57.0	4.54
Calculated/Measured	0.86	0.98	0.76
120 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	6.40	57.9	5.98
Calculated concentration (ppb)	5.85	56.4	4.97
Calculated/Measured	0.91	0.97	0.83

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	so <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> + Hso <sub>4</sub>	NO	NH <sup>+</sup>	Na <sup>+</sup> + K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>2+</sup> +Mg <sup>2+</sup> +Pb <sup>2+</sup>	C1 <sup>-</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	H202
Initial Time (O137 LST)									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.52x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.52x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00	7.15×10-4 7.16×10-4 1.00	4.32x10 <sup>-4</sup> 4.32x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00	1.53x10-4 1.53x10-4 1.00	5.32x10 <sup>-5</sup> 5.32x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.00	1.01x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.01x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00	4.88x10-6 4.76x10-6 0.98	3.19x10-7 3.21x10-7 1.01	4.01x10 <sup>-5</sup> 4.06x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.01
60 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.67x10 <sup>-4</sup> 2.23x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.34	9.57x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.11x10 <sup>-3</sup> 1.16	4.50x10 <sup>4</sup> 6.35x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.41	1.14x10 <sup>4</sup> 2.24x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.96	5.38x10-5(1) 7.81x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.45	9.59x10 <sup>5</sup> 9.50x10 <sup>5</sup> 0.99	5.97x10 <sup>-6</sup> 6.98x10 <sup>6</sup> 1.17	3.22x10 <sup>-7</sup> 4.70x10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.46	4.31×10 <sup>-5</sup> 5.17×10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.20
120 min.									
Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.79x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.85x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.03	1.03x10 <sup>-3</sup> 9.72x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.94	8.73x10 <sup>-4</sup> 5.29x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.61	1.95×10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.87×10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.96	8.20x10 <sup>5</sup> 6.51x10 <sup>5</sup> 0.79	1.07x10 <sup>-4</sup> 3.85x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.36	8.46x10 <sup>6</sup> 5.82x10 <sup>6</sup> 0.69	4.35x10 <sup>-7</sup> 3.92x10 <sup>-7</sup> 0.90	5.70x10 <sup>~5</sup> 4.42x10 <sup>~5</sup> 0.78

### Table 7-7: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Solute Concentrations - Case Study of 27 May 1985

The concentration of sulfate is overpredicted by about 30 percent and shows close agreement between measured and calculated values after 2 hours.

The concentrations of nitrate and  $H_2O_2$  show good agreement between measured and calculated values (i.e., within about 20 percent).

The concentration of chloride shows a significant underprediction which results from the model reaction of  $NO_3$  radicals with chloride ions. Calculated and measured gas concentrations are shown in Table 7-8. The measured  $NO_x$  concentration shows some variation between 5 and 6 ppb whereas the model calculation shows a steady decrease of the  $NO_x$  concentration which amounts to about 1 ppb after 2 hours.

The measured  $O_3$  concentration varies within about 3 ppb (i.e., about 5 percent of the initial concentration) while the calculated  $O_3$  concentration shows a decrease that parallels that of  $NO_x$ .

The HCHO concentration shows little variation over the two-hour simulation.

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Calculated and measured aqueous concentrations are presented in Table 7-9. Comparison of calculated and measured nonreactive ion concentrations shows underprediction after 36 and 72 minutes and reasonable agreement after 126 minutes. The underprediction probably results from vertical entrainment of air from below the cloud as the air parcel moves over land. The last sampling set was performed offshore, which may explain the better agreement between measured and calculated values.

# TABLE 7-8 - Comparison of Measured and Calculated Gas Concentrations - Case Study of 27 May 1985

	$NO_X$	03	HCHO
Initial Time (0137 LST)			
Measured concentration (ppb)	5.30	56.9	3.56
Calculated concentration (ppb)	5.30	56.9	3.26
Calculated/Measured	1.00	1.00	0.92
60 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	6.00	57.1	3.56
Calculated concentration (ppb)	4.84	56.4	3.47
Calculated/Measured	0.81	0.99	0.97
120 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	5.80	53.9	3.56
Calculated concentration (ppb)	4.43	56.0	3.38
Calculated/Measured	0.76	1.04	0.95

Table 7-9: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Solut	te Concentrations - Case Study of 10 June 1985
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		$SO_4^{2-}$ + HSO_4^{-}	NO <sup>-</sup> 3	NH4	Na <sup>+</sup> + K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>2+</sup> +Mg <sup>2+</sup> +Pb <sup>2+</sup>	<sup>+</sup> C1 <sup>-</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	H202
	Initial Time (0148 LST)									
	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	7.12x10 <sup>-5</sup> 7.10x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.00	1.40x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.39x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.99	6.30x10 <sup>-5</sup> 6.28x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.00	1.18x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.17x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.99	3.20x10 <sup>-5</sup> 3.21x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.00	1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.02x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.00	1.49x10 <sup>-6</sup> 1.43x10 <sup>-6</sup> 0.96	1 . 18x 10-7 1 . 19x 10 <sup>-7</sup> 1 . 01	8.14x10 <sup>-5</sup> 8.14x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.00
	36 min.									
	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	3.33x10-4 1.42x10-4 0.43	5.97x10-4 3.79x10-4 0.63	3.46x10-4 1.25x10-4 0.36	5.87x10-4 2.35x10-4 0.40	3.83x10 <sup>-4</sup> 6.42x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.68	4.87x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.17x10 <sup>4</sup> 0.24	5.97x10-6 2.85x10-6 0.48	2.37×10 <sup>-7</sup>	1.24x10 <sup>-4</sup>
	72 min.		8							
7-15	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	2.68×10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.07×10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.40	6.98x10 <sup>-4</sup> 3.56x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.51	4.93x10 <sup>-4</sup> 9.40x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.19	3.42x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.76x10 <sup>-4</sup> 0.51	8.28x10 <sup>-5</sup> 4.81x10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.58	2.38x10 <sup>4</sup> 2.48x10 <sup>5</sup> 0.10	7.16x10-6 2.14x10-6 0.30	4.55x10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.78x10 <sup>-7</sup> 0.39	7.21x10 <sup>-5</sup> 1.01x10 <sup>-4</sup> 1.40
	126 min.									
	Measured concentration(M) Calculated concentration(M) Calculated/Measured	1.28x10-4 1.31x10-4 1.02	2.85x10-4 6.23x10-4 2.19	1.02x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.16x10 <sup>4</sup> 1.14	2.13x10-4 2.16x10-4 1.01	4.70x10-5 5.92x10-5 1.26	5.16x10-4 1.0x10-20 1.94x10 <sup>-17</sup>	2.98x10-6 2.85x10-6 0.96	1.58x10-7 2.37x10-7 1.50	9.71×10 <sup>-5</sup> 6.95×10 <sup>-5</sup> 0.72

(1) Pb++ not measured

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The sulfate concentrations show the same pattern which suggest that sulfate concentrations are primarily governed by transport phenomena. The nitrate concentrations also show underprediction after 36 and 72 minutes, but show an overprediction by a factor of two after 126 minutes which must result from an overprediction of nitrate formation or underprediction of dispersion.

The chloride concentration shows a large underprediction as the model chloride concentrations are totally depleted by reaction with NO<sub>2</sub> radicals.

Gas concentrations are presented in Table 7-10. The measured NO<sub>X</sub> concentration increases from about 10 ppb to 13 ppb as the air parcel moves over land. The measured O<sub>3</sub> concentration decreases by about 16 ppb as the air parcel moves from offshore toward the land.

The calculated  $NO_x$  concentration decreases by about 2 ppb during the two hours while a larger decrease of 6 ppb is calculated for the  $O_2$  concentration.

#### NITRATE CHEMISTRY

The chemistry of nitrate formation was studied in detail for each one of the five case studies. To that end, the measured nitrate concentrations were scaled so that the corresponding  $Na^+$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $Ca^{2+}$  concentrations remained constant on average. These four cations represent nonreactive species and this procedure allows one to study the variations of nitrate concentrations due to chemical processes by minimizing the variations due to transport phenomena.

The formation of nitrate can be expressed either as the relative increase in nitrate concentration with respect to the initial concentration (i.e., as the ratio of the nitrate concentration at a

# TABLE 7-10 - Comparison of Measured and Calculated Gas Concentrations - Case Study of 10 June 1985

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	$NO_{\mathbf{x}}$	0 <sub>3</sub>	НСНО
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Initial Time (Ol48 LST)			
Measured concentration (ppb)	9.70	68.3	3.52
Calculated concentration (ppb)	9.70	68.3	2.87
Calculated/Measured	1.00	1.00	0.82
36 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	13.80	52.3	3.52
Calculated concentration (ppb)	8.99	64.1	3.18
Calculated/Measured	0.65	1.23	0.90
72 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	13.70	50.1	3.52
Calculated concentration (ppb)	8.34	63.4	3.09
Calculated/Measured	0.61	1.27	0.88
126 min.			
Measured concentration (ppb)	13.40	60.0	3.52
Calculated concentration (ppb)	7.45	62.5	3.17
Calculated/Measured	0.56	1.04	0.90

given time to the initial nitrate concentration) or as the absolute amount of nitrate formed. Table 7-11 presents a comparison of these measured and calculated increases in nitrate concentrations. Changes in the measured nitrate concentrations generally exceed the aqueous measurement uncertainty and are, therefore, significant.

It appears that on 21, 25 and 26 May 1985, nitrate formation is significantly underpredicted by the model. For the first two case studies, this underprediction is due in part to the fact that the initial  $NO_x$  concentration is not representative of  $NO_x$  concentrations at later times since  $NO_x$  is entrained into the cloud as the air parcel moves over land.

Therefore, the amount of  $NO_x$  available for nitrate formation is significantly underestimated in a model simulation which does not consider transport processes.

On 26 May 1985, the  $NO_x$  initial concentration is commensurate with the  $NO_x$  concentration at later times. Therefore, either there is transport of nitrate from below the cloud less rainout of nitrate compared to inert species or the model underestimates the chemical conversion of  $NO_x$  to nitrate for this case study.

The simulations of 27 May and 10 June 1985 show increases in calculated nitrate concentrations which are consistent with the measurements. For the 27 May 1985 simulation, the nitrate concentration increases by about 1 ppb (10 percent) over the two hours of simulation, whereas the measurements show an increase of 4 ppb (50 percent) after one hour but a similar decrease during the following hour. For the simulation of 10 June 1985, the nitrate concentration increases by 3 ppb (140 percent) over about 2 hours. The measurements show a maximum increase of 2 ppb (90 percent) after about 1 hour.

Table 7-12 presents an assessment of the major chemical pathways that lead to nitrate formation for the five case studies. The two predominant pathways are (1) the formation of NO<sub>3</sub> radicals in the

### Table 7-11: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Nitrate Formation

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			Factor of Increase	in Nitrate Concentration <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Increase in Nitrate C</u>	oncentration (ppb)
	Date	<u>Simulation Time (min)</u>	<u>Measurements</u>	<u>Simulations</u>	Measurements	Simulations
I	05/21/85	60	1.55	1.01	5.5	0.1
		120	1.91	1.02	9.1	0.2
		180	2.03	1.03	10.4	0.3
(	05/25/85	44	1.16	1.02	1.2	0.15
		88	1.46	1.03	3.4	0.22
(	05/26/85	60	1.87	1.04	13.9	0.64
		120	2.86	1.09	29.7	1.44
7-1	05/27/85	60	1.49	1.06	4.2	0.52
0		120	1.02	1.11	0.2	0.95
(	06/10/85	. 36	1.12	1.36	0.25	0.75
		72	1.86	1.70	1.81	1.50
		126	1.34	2.40	0.72	2.95

(1) The factor of increase is defined as the nitrate concentration at a given time divided by the nitrate concentration at the initial time. For the measured values, nitrate concentrations normalized to the Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentrations were used.

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<u>Date</u>	Initial NO <sub>X</sub> Concentration (ppb)	Initial Nitrate <u>Concentration (ppb)</u>	Nitrate <u>Formed (ppb)</u>	Relative C of Major F NO <sub>3</sub> (aq)	contributions Pathways (%) N <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>5</sub>
21 May 1985	0.7	10.0	0.3	98	2
25 May 1985	, 1.1	7.5	0.2	97	3
26 May 1985	7.1	16.0	1.4	85	15
27 May 1985	5.3	8.6	1.0	81	19
10 June 1985	9.7	2.1	3.0	11	23

### Table 7-12: Contribution of Major Chemical Pathways to Nitrate Formation

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gas-phase, their dissolution in droplets, and their reaction with ions such as chloride ion to form nitrate and (2) the heterogeneous hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  at the surface of droplets. These results are consistent with the fact that at night the formation of nitrate tends to take place through the  $NO_3$  chemistry rather than through the OH chemistry (Richards, 1983, Gautier et al., 1985, Seigneur, 1987). Exceptions are nighttime conditions near ground level and plumes aloft where NO concentrations are high and exceed  $O_3$  levels (Seigneur and Saxena, 1984, Killus and Whitten, 1985, Seigneur et al., 1985); then, OH levels may be high enough despite the lack of photochemical activity.

It is interesting to note that the  $N_2O_5$  pathway becomes more important as the  $NO_x$  concentration increases. This result is due to the fact that the formation of  $N_2O_5$  is indirectly second-order in  $NO_2$ . Therefore, as the  $NO_2$  concentration increases the  $N_2O_5$  concentration will increase proportionally to the square of the  $NO_2$  concentration whereas the  $NO_3(aq)$ concentration increases linearly with the  $NO_2$  concentration.

#### SULFATE CHEMISTRY

The chemistry of sulfate formation was investigated in detail for each one of the five case studies. However, because the measured SO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were below 1 ppb which is less than the measurement uncertainty, the comparison between measured and calculated values cannot provide a true model performance evaluation.

Table 7-13 presents a comparison of measured and calculated increases in sulfate concentrations. In all case studies, the calculated sulfate formation corresponded to the initial  $SO_2$ concentration, i.e., all  $SO_2$  was oxidized to sulfate over the simulation period. This result is due to the fact that the initial  $SO_2$  concentrations are very low and  $SO_2$  is rapidly titrated by  $H_2O_2$  and may react with other oxidants as well. In two cases, 27 May and 10 June 1985, the initial  $SO_2$  concentration was zero and no sulfate was formed.
### Table 7-13: Comparison of Measured and Calculated Sulfate Formation

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		Factor of Increase	in Sulfate Concentration(1)	<u>Increase in Sulfate C</u>	Concentration (ppb)
<u>Date</u>	<u>Simulation Time (min)</u>	<u>Measurements</u>	Simulations	Measurements	Simulations
05/21/85	60	1.58	1.16	0.8	0.5
	120	1.49	1.16	1.5	0.5
	180	1.28	1.16	0.9	0.5
05/25/85	44	1.00	1.05	0.0	0.2
	88	0.77	1.06	-0.9	0.2
05/26/85	60	1.81	1.19	3.3	0.8
	120	2.59	1.21	6.5	0.9
<sup>3</sup> 05/27/85	60	1.23	1.00	0.4	0
	120	0.85	1.00	-0.3	0
06-10/85	36	1.22	1.00	0.2	0
	72	1.40	1.00	0.4	0
	126	1.18	1.00	0.2	0

(1) The factor of increase is defined as the sulfate concentration at a given time divided by the sulfate concentration at the initial time. For the measured values, sulfate concentrations normalized to the Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentrations were used.

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Measured increases in sulfate concentrations are less than 1.5 ppb on 21, 25, 27 May and 10 June 1985. Decreases are observed on two occasions. Therefore, these variations may be due to measurement uncertainties and to atmospheric transport and dispersion rather than to chemical reactions. On 26 May 1985 the measured increase in sulfate concentration reached 6.5 ppb. This increase parallels the large increase in nitrate concentration and may be due to a significant vertical transport from below the cloud or to less rainout of sulfate compared to inert species.

The contribution of major chemical pathways to sulfate formation is summarized in Table 7-14. It appears that aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by  $H_2O_2$  is the major chemical pathway for sulfate formation. For the case study of 26 May 1985, catalyzed oxidation of  $SO_2$  by  $O_2$  and aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by OH radicals also contribute noticeably to sulfate formation.

				Relative Contributions of Major Pathways (%)		
<u>Date</u>	Initial SO <sub>2</sub> Concentration (ppb)	Initial Sulfate Concentration (ppb)	Sulfate <u>formed (ppb)</u>	H2O2 (aq)	0 <sub>2</sub> (aq)	0H (aq)
21 May 1985	0.5	3.1	0.5	99	<1	<1
25 May 1985	0.2	3.8	0.2	99	<]	<]
26 May 1985	0.9	4.1	. 0.9	93	5	2
27 <sup>-</sup> May 1985	0	1.8	0		-	
10 June 1985	0	1.1	0		_	

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### Table 7-14: Contribution of Major Chemical Pathways to Sulfate Formation

### Section 8 CHEMICAL KINETICS AND TRANSPORT

#### INTRODUCTION

It appeared from the results of the chemical kinetics simulations that were presented in Section 7 that the changes in sulfate and nitrate concentrations could not be solely explained with chemical kinetics and implied that vertical transport probably played a significant role in governing cloud species concentrations. Richards et al. (1987) also suggested that vertical transport was important based on the variation of inert species concentrations such as lead and ammonium. Therefore, it is necessary to consider vertical transport if one wants to provide a realistic description of the evolution of cloud species concentrations. In this section, we present the results of two simulations conducted with cloud chemistry and vertical transport.

Two case studies were selected to analyze the cloud chemistry and vertical transport processes. These two case studies are those of 25 May and 26 May 1985. If one considers the nitrate and sulfate concentrations normalized with respect to chemically inert ion concentrations, there was some significant increase in nitrate concentrations with time on both of these days; on 26 May, there was also a clear trend toward increasing sulfate concentrations. On 27 May and 10 June 1985, nitrate and sulfate concentrations varied without any particular trend. On 21 May 1985, nitrate concentrations increased steadily with time; however, turbulence was high on that day which may complicate the simulation of transport processes. No rain was observed on 25 May, a little drizzle was observed on 26 May.

The flight of 25 May 1985 represents an air parcel trajectory that starts offshore and moves inland over Long Beach and Los Angeles. The total period of simulation in 88 min. The flight of 26 May 1985 represents an air parcel trajectory that starts above Pomona and moves eastward toward Ontario.

#### INPUT DATA

The input data for these simulations were prepared as follows. In the cloud layer, input data were similar to those presented in Section 7.

Temperature, relative humidity and liquid water content vertical profiles were available from the aircraft spirals and missed instrument landing approaches. Aircraft data also provided concentrations of NO,  $NO_2$ ,  $O_3$ , and  $SO_2$ . No vertical profile data were available for hydrocarbons, aerosols,  $HNO_3$ ,  $NH_3$ , and  $H_2O_2$ . No direct data were available on vertical transport variables such as updraft velocity and vertical diffusion coefficient.

Concentrations of hydrocarbons were assumed to be proportional to  $NO_x$  concentrations since automobiles are a major common source of these compounds. Concentrations of primary aerosols (sodium, potassium, magnesium, calcium, iron, manganese and lead) were assumed to be constant with height since these species are unreactive and no information on their vertical profile was available. The concentration of  $H_2O_2$  was also assumed to be constant with height; the below-cloud  $H_2O_2$  should be unreactive and its concentration should not therefore be less than the cloud  $H_2O_2$  concentration.

Concentrations of sulfate, nitrate (HNO<sub>3</sub> and aerosol nitrate) and ammonium/ammonia below the clouds were estimated as follows. For 25 May 1985, 24-hour average concentrations of sulfate and nitrate

PM-10 aerosols were available (ARB, 1987). These concentrations were assumed to be twice as much for 26 May 1985 since the measured aerosol scattering coefficient was about twice as much on 26 as on The nighttime concentrations of sulfate and nitrate were 25 May. estimated based on diurnal profiles reported by Grosjean (1988) for nitrate aerosol and by John et al. (1985) for sulfate aerosol. The nitric acid and ammonia concentrations were estimated based on the data of Russell and Cass (1984). The ammonium aerosol concentrations were estimated based on the thermodynamic analysis of Pilinis and Seinfeld (1987) for sodium and ammonium salts of sulfate and nitrate aerosols. The chloride aerosol concentration was calculated to provide electroneutrality between sulfate, nitrate, ammonium, sodium, magnesium, calcium, potasium, lead, iron and manganese.

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Concentrations of major species below and in the cloud at the beginning of the model simulations are presented in Tables 8-1 and 8-2 for the 25 May and 26 May 1985 simulations, respectively.

The vertical profile of the liquid water content was available from the aircraft forward scattering spectroscopic probe (FSSP). However, the King probe data were assumed to be more reliable and were used in the cloud simulations presented in Sections 6 and 7. Consequently, the FSSP data were scaled to the King probe data to obtain the liquid water contents as function of height.

The vertical diffusion coefficient was assumed to be 20  $m^2/s$ , a typical value for stratus clouds.

The updraft velocity was not measured; it is, however, a critical parameter since it defines the rate of upward transport of pollutants from below the cloud into the cloud. The updraft velocity was estimated by means of a cloud physics model based on the formulation of Kessler (1969). The inputs to this cloud physics

## Table 8-1. Initial Concentrations of Major Chemical Species below and in the Cloud; Simulation of 25 May 1985

Species	Below-Cloud	<u>In-Cloud</u>
NO (ppb)	0	0
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)	12.0	1.1
0 <sub>3</sub> (ppb)	68.0	80.0
SO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)	0	0.2
Sulfate (ppb)	1.3	3.8
Nitrate (ppb)	1.9	7.4
Ammonium (ppb)	5.7	2.6

# Table 8-2. Initial Concentrations of Major Chemical Species below and in the Cloud; Simulation of 26 May 1985

<u>Species</u>	Below-Cloud	In-Cloud
NO (ppb)	0	0
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)	8.0	7.1
0 <sub>3</sub> (ppb)	45.0	57.7
SO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)	1.0	0.9
Sulfate (ppb)	2.6	4.1
Nitrate (ppb)	3.8	15.8
Ammonium (ppb)	12.0	8.7

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model are the updraft velocity, the vertical temperature and pressure profiles, and the relative humidity below the cloud. The outputs of the model include the liquid water content of the cloud and precipitation rate. The cloud model was used with a variety of updraft velocities to determine which updraft velocity led to a cloud water content and a precipitation rate that corresponded to the observations. Updraft velocities of 0.065 and 0.077 m/s were selected in this manner for the 25 May and 26 May 1985 simulations, respectively.

No precipitation occured on 25 May 1985 but a light drizzle occured on 26 May 1985. We assumed that species present in coarse aerosols such as sodium, potasium, calcium, magnesium, iron, manganese, lead and chloride were totally present in the droplet phase; i.e. the scavenging efficiency of the rain was 1. For sulfate, nitrate and ammonium aerosols which are present mostly in the submicron range, we assumed that the scavenging efficiency of rain drops was 0.1. This assumption is based on the fact that submicron aerosols are not scavenged efficiently by rain drops (e.g., Seigneur and Barnes, 1986).

#### SIMULATION OF 25 MAY 1985

The results of the simulation of 25 May 1985 are presented in Table 8-3 for the concentrations of major species. It appears that calculated concentrations of sulfate and nitrate decrease steadily because concentrations of these species are lower below cloud than in the cloud at the initial time, and chemical formation of these species is not sufficient to compensate for the decrease in concentration due to vertical transport. The measured sulfate concentration first increases, then decreases below its initial value. The measured nitrate concentration shows a significant increase after 44 min, then, remains about constant for the next

# Table 8-3. Comparison of Measured and Calculated Cloud Concentrations of Major Chemical Species. Simulation of 25 May 1985

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	Simulation Time (min)			
	0	44	88	
Sulfate (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	3.76 3.76	5.15 3.34	3.01 2.55	
Nitrate (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	7.37 7.37	11.70 6.36	ll.20 5.92	
Ammonium (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	2.64 2.64	· 4.82 3.35	4.63 4.24	
pH				
Measured Calculated	3.26 3.31	3.33 3.60	3.36 3.74	
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	1.1 1.1	9.2 3.2	10.4 5.2	
0 <sub>3</sub> (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	80.4 80.4	61.6 77.0	66.0 72.2	

44 min. This increase is significant since it exceeds the measurement uncertainty. It cannot be explained with our present knowledge of nitrate chemistry and is not consistent with the lower below-cloud concentrations assumed for this simulation.

The calculated and measured ammonium concentrations are in reasonable agreement with an increase that results from the entrainment of higher ammonium concentrations from below the cloud into the cloud.

The measured pH shows a slight increase whereas the calculated pH shows a more significant increase due to the decrease in sulfate and nitrate concentrations.

The concentration of NO2 increases in both the simulation and the measurements. However, the increase is significantly less in the simulation than in the measurements and the difference between measured and calculated values exceeds the measurement uncertainty. This result suggests that the actual NO, concentrations transported into the cloud were greater than in the simulation. Emission of NO, from tall stacks located along the coast were not considered in our simulation and may be the cause of the discrepancy between measured and calculated  $NO_x$  concentrations. The  $O_x$ concentration follows a pattern related to that of NO2. Concentrations of NO2 inland are much higher than offshore due to NO and NO<sub>2</sub> emissions from automobiles and other sources; conversely, 03 concentrations are lower inland due to reaction with NO emissions. Therefore, 0, concentrations are lower below-cloud than in-cloud and 0, concentrations decrease in the cloud as the updraft entrains lower 03 concentrations into the cloud. Richards et al. (1987) reported that O2 concentrations along a flight orbit were higher outside of clouds than inside clouds. Seigneur and Saxena (1985) simulated the effect of clouds on O<sub>3</sub> chemistry and their results showed that O<sub>3</sub> concentrations

are not significantly affected by cloud chemistry. Therefore, the variations observed by Richards el al. (1987) in  $O_3$  concentrations inside and outside of clouds must correspond to the sampling of different air parcels.

The comparison of measured and calculated concentrations with transport and chemistry show some discrepancies which suggest that (1) emissions from tall stacks into elevated cloud layers may contribute significantly to  $NO_x$  concentrations in coastal clouds and (2) the below-cloud concentrations of sulfate and nitrate may not have been estimated accurately and actual measurements would be necessary for further model evaluation.

#### SIMULATION OF 26 MAY 1985

The results of the simulation of 26 May 1985 are presented in Table 8-4 for the concentrations of major species.

There is good agreement between the measured and calculated sulfate concentrations with a slight decrease over the two-hour period. The nitrate concentrations also show a decrease over the two-hour period although the decrease is larger in the calculated concentrations than in the measured concentrations. The decreases in measured concentrations exceed the measurement uncertainties and can therefore be considered as significant changes in the measured concentrations.

The largest discrepancy between measured and calculated concentrations appear for the ammonium concentrations. The simulation shows first an increase due to the entrainment of higher concentrations from below the cloud, then, a decrease due to the rainout of ammonium. The measured values show an increase in ammonium concentration over the two-hour period.

# Table 8-4. Comparison of Measured and Calculated Cloud Concentrations of Major Chemical Species. Simulation of 26 May 1985

	Simulation Time (min)			
	0	60	1.20	
Sulfate (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	4.06 4.06	4.35 3.61	2.47 2.53	
Nitrate (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	15.80 15.80	17.50 10.75	10.70 7.00	
Ammonium (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	8.68 8.68	8.72 8.92	11.20 7.06	
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Measured Calculated	3.35 3.40	3.31 3.61	3.65 3.73	
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	7.10 7.10	7.50 6.59	6.40 6.00	
0 <sub>3</sub> (ppb)				
Measured Calculated	57.7 57.7	58.3 53.5	57.9 51.0	

The pH increases in both the calculations and the measurements. The increase in pH are quite commensurate: 0.30 in the measurements and 0.33 in the simulation.

The concentration of  $NO_2$  shows a slight decrease in both measurements and calculations, which results from the conversion of  $NO_2$  to nitrate. The decrease in the measurements is, however, within the measurement uncertainty.

The calculated  $0_3$  concentration decreases as lower  $0_3$  concentrations are entrained from below the cloud. Little variation appears in the measured  $0_3$  concentrations.

The concentrations of inert species such as sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium, iron and manganese decreased, on average, by 43 and 78 percent from the initial concentrations after 1 and 2 hours, respectively. The calculated decreases in these concentrations were 63 and 82 percent after 1 and 2 hours, respectively. This good agreement between measured and calculated inert species concentrations suggests that the major vertical transport processes (updraft and rain) are treated satisfactorily in this simulation.

Overall, there is good agreement between the results of the model simulation of transport and chemistry for the case study of 26 May 1985 and the measured values of cloud species concentrations. Consequently, this case study was selected for further analysis of the physical and chemical processes that affect acid formation in clouds.

### Section 9 SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS STUDIES

### INTRODUCTION

The simulation of the atmospheric physical and chemical processes of air pollution is particularly useful to investigate the relative importance of these processes which govern air pollution levels and the effect in changes in precursor levels on air pollution levels. The study of the physical and chemical processes that govern the formation of air pollutants allows one to determine the parameters to which the model is the most sensitive and, therefore, which parameters need to be known with accuracy to obtain satisfactory model performance. The effect of changes in precursor levels on air pollution levels provides some useful information for the development of air pollution control strategies.

Because satisfactory model performance was obtained for the simulation of 26 May 1985, we used this simulation as the base case for these sensitivity analysis studies. Nineteen sensitivity study simulations were performed. Eight simulations pertain to changes in precursor levels. Six simulations address the sensitivity of the model to physical and chemical parameters. Five simulations consider the effect of different environmental conditions on the model simulation results. These simulations are summarized in Table 9-1.

### SENSITIVITY TO PRECURSOR LEVELS

A key issue in the chemistry of atmospheric acidity is the response of the concentration of major chemical species to the concentrations of precursors. Previous work has demonstrated that the responses of sulfate to  $SO_2$ , nitrate to  $NO_v$ , and sulfate and nitrate to

## Table 9-1. Sensitivity Studies Performed with the Simulation of 26 May 1985

Simulation Number	Description of Sensitivity Study
1	SO <sub>2</sub> initial concentrations equal to
	0 ppb
2	SO <sub>2</sub> initial concentrations equal to 0.5 ppb
3	SO <sub>2</sub> initial concentrations equal to 1 ppb
4	SO <sub>2</sub> initial concentrations equal to 2 ppb
5	SO <sub>2</sub> initial concentrations equal to 4 ppb
6	$NO_{x}$ initial concentrations divided by 2
7	RHC initial concentrations divided by 2
8	NH <sub>3</sub> initial concentrations divided by 2
9	Kinetics of N <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>5</sub> heterogeneous hydrolysis
	assumed to be limited by N205 diffusion only
10	Accommodation coefficient of NO3 equal to 1
11	Accommodation coefficient of NO3 equal to
	0.01
12	Accommodation coefficient of NO3 equal to
	10 -6
13	Updraft velocity multiplied by 2
14	Liquid water content multiplied by 2
15	Daytime cloud simulation
16	Non-raining cloud simulation
17	Cloud free simulation
18	Ground-level fog simulation
19	Plume/cloud simulation

hydrocarbon concentrations can be highly non-linear (Seigneur et al., 1984, Seigneur et al., 1985, Saxena and Seigneur, 1986). It is therefore, of particular interest to investigate the sensitivity of the cloud concentrations of major chemical species, i.e., sulfate, nitrate, ammonium and hydrogen ions, to the levels of precursors. The precursors considered in this analysis were  $SO_2$ ,  $NO_x$ , RHC and  $NH_3$ . The base case concentrations of  $SO_2$  were very low (i.e., below or equal to the detection limit of 1 ppb) and, for the sensitivity study, we varied the  $SO_2$  initial concentrations from 0 to 4 ppb. For the other sensitivity studies, the initial concentrations of  $NO_x$ , RHC and  $NH_3$  were individually divided by a factor of two.

The sulfate cloud concentration and the sulfate wet deposition after two hours of simulation are presented in Figure 9-1 as function of the initial  $SO_2$  concentration. These two curves show that the  $SO_2$ /sulfate relationship is non-linear. The response of sulfate concentration or wet deposition to the initial  $SO_2$  concentration decreases as the initial  $SO_2$  concentration increases. This result is due to the fact that the  $SO_2$ /sulfate system is oxidant limited at high  $SO_2$  concentrations. In these simulations, the aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by  $H_2O_2$  accounts for about 90 percent of the total sulfate formation whereas the aqueous oxidation of  $SO_2$  by  $O_2$  accounts for about 10 percent. The behavior of the  $SO_2$ /sulfate system characterized here is consistent with the results of previous studies (Seigneur et al., 1984, 1985).

The results of the other three sensitivity simulations are presented in Table 9-2.

The change in the  $NO_x$  initial concentrations affects solely the nitrate and hydrogen ion concentrations. The amount of nitrate present in the cloud, which was formed during the two-hour simulation, has been reduced from 1.24 ppb to 0.58 ppb. The aqueous



Figure 9-1 Sulfate Cloud Concentration and Wet Deposition after Two Hours as Function of the Initial SO<sub>2</sub> Concentration

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## Table 9-2. Major Species Concentrations after Two Hours for Various Precursor Levels

Change in Initial				
Concentration of	Sulfate	Nitrate	Ammonium	рH
Precursors	(ppb)	(ppb)	(ppb)	
Base Case	2.53	7.00	7.06	3.73
NO <sub>x</sub> concentrations divided by 2	2.53	6.39	7.06	3.78
RHC concentrations divided by 2	2.53	7.00	-7.06	3.73
NH <sub>3</sub> concentrations divided by 2	2.53	7.00	3.46	3.47

reduction of NO<sub>3</sub> radicals is the dominant pathway (74% versus 61% in the base case) and the heterogeneous hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  accounts for the rest of nitrate formation (26% versus 39% in the base case). As expected, the NO<sub>3</sub> aqueous reduction becomes a relatively more important pathway as the NO<sub>x</sub> concentration decreases (see Section 7). The response of nitrate formation to a reduction in NO<sub>x</sub> is nearly linear with a reduction of 53% in nitrate formation for a reduction of 50% in NO<sub>x</sub> initial concentrations.

The reduction in RHC initial concentrations has no effect on sulfate and nitrate concentrations. This results is not too surprising since this sensitivity study addresses a nighttime simulation where no, or little, oxidant formation takes place. Therefore, the oxidation of  $SO_2$  and  $NO_2$  takes place through reaction with oxidants which were formed during daytime and are present at the beginning of the simulation. Reactive hydrocarbons, however, would have some effect on the oxidant levels produced during daytime. Three-dimensional simulations of oxidant and acid species formation need to be carried out to address this problem. It should be noted also that  $NO_x$  emission reductions would also affect oxidant levels and, consequently, affect nitrate formation in this manner. The effect of  $NO_x$  levels on oxidant levels does not appear in our two-hour nocturnal simulation but should be kept in mind when designing emission control strategies.

A reduction in  $NH_3$  initial concentrations has a direct effect on  $NH_4^+$  concentrations which are reduced proportionally. As a result, the pH decreases slightly since the cloud droplets become more acidic as  $NH_4^+$  concentrations decrease.

### SENSITIVITY TO PHYSICO-CHEMICAL PARAMETERS

There are some uncertainties associated with some key parameters of the cloud model and it is of particular interest to assess the sensitivity of the model output to these uncertainties. The parameters that were investigated here included the following:

- (1) The rate of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> heterogeneous hydrolysis
- (2) The rate of  $NO_3$  gas/droplet mass transfer
- (3) The updraft velocity

(4) The liquid water content

The heterogeneous hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  and the aqueous reduction of  $NO_3$  are the two dominant pathways for the rate of formation of nitrate under the simulation conditions considered (see Sections 7 and 8).

Therefore, the first two parameters are critical to the accuracy of the model for nitrate concentration predictions.

The chemistry of the cloud is likely to be affected by two major parameters: the amount of liquid water available for aqueous chemistry and the rate of entrainment of chemical species into the cloud. The last two parametric sensitivity studies address these two questions.

The results of the sensitivity of the model predictions of nitrate and hydrogen ion concentrations to the  $N_2O_5$  and  $NO_3$  kinetic parameters are presented in Table 9-3.

In the base case, the  $N_2O_5$  heterogeneous hydrolysis was calculated according to the kinetics reported by Harker and Strauss (1981). In the first sensitivity study, it was assumed that the heterogeneous hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  would take place every time

## Table 9-3. Nitrate and Hydrogen Ion Concentrations after Two Hours for Various Nitrate Formation Kinetics

Change in	Nitrate	pH
<u>Kinetic Parameters</u>	(ppb)	
Base Case	7.00	3.73
N <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>5</sub> heterogeneous		
hydrolysis limited only		
by N <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>5</sub> diffusion	7.41	3.68
NO <sub>3</sub> accommodation		
coefficient equal to l	7.00	3.73
NO3 accommodation		
coefficient equal to 0.01	7.00	3.73
NO <sub>3</sub> accommodation		
coefficient equal to 10 <sup>-6</sup>	7.34	3.67

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that a molecule of  $N_2O_5$  would hit a water droplet. Therefore, the kinetics of  $N_2O_5$  hetrogeneous hydrolysis is limited by the gas-phase diffusion of  $N_2O_5$  and should be an upper limit to the actual rate. It appears that the amount of nitrate formed increases by 0.4 ppb which corresponds to a 30% increase from the base case. The  $N_2O_5$  hydrolysis pathway accounts for 81% of nitrate formation (versus 39% in the base case) whereas the  $NO_3$  aqueous oxidation pathway accounts for only 19% (versus 61% in the base case).

The formation of nitrate from the aqueous reduction of NO3 radicals depends, in part, on the rate of mass transfer of NO3 radicals from the gas phase to the aqueous phase. There is presently some uncertainty regarding the accommodation coefficient of NO, radicals on water droplets. In the base case, this accommodation coefficient has a value of 0.2 based on the data reported for HO2 by Mozurkewich et al. (1987). We investigated the sensitivity of nitrate formation to the value of the  $NO_3$ accommodation coefficient. This parameter was varied from  $10^{-6}$ to 1. The results of three sensitivity simulations are reported in Table 9-3. It is interesting to note that as the accommodation coefficient of NO, decreases, the amount of nitrate formed increases. As NO, radicals are not scavenged by droplets, they react with  $NO_2$  to form  $N_2O_5$ . Hydrolysis of  $N_2O_5$  leads to two nitrate ions whereas aqueous reduction of  $NO_3$  leads to only one nitrate ion. Therefore, more nitrate is found when the gas-phase conversion of  $NO_3$  to  $N_2O_5$  dominates the gas/droplet mass transfer of NO<sub>3</sub> radicals.

The sensitivity of the cloud chemistry calculations to two cloud physics parameters, the updraft velocity and the cloud water content, was investigated. The results of these two sensitivity studies are reported in Table 9-4 for the sulfate, nitrate, ammonium and hydrogen ion concentrations.

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## Table 9-4. Major Species Concentrations after Two Hours for Various Values of Cloud Physics Parameters

Change in	Sulfate	Nitrate	Ammonium	pH
Parameters	(ppb)	(ppb)	(ppb)	
Base Case	2.53	7.00	7.06	3.73
Updraft Velocity				
multiplied by 2	1.76	4.36	5.51	4.00
			-	
Cloud Water	2.60	7.02	7.06	4.01
Content				
multiplied by 2				

An increase in the updraft velocity by a factor of two leads to a larger contribution of species entrained from below the cloud to the total cloud chemical composition. Since below-cloud initial concentrations are less than in-cloud initial concentrations, the cloud species concentrations are lower after two hours of simulation when the updraft velocity is higher. The pH increases from 3.73 to 4.00 as the acid species concentrations decrease.

The increase in cloud water content has no effect on chemically inert species such as ammonium ions. The concentrations (expressed in ppb) of sulfate and nitrate ions have increased slightly because of the larger volume of water available for chemical reactions. For example, reactions of  $SO_2$  with  $O_2$  and OH increase by factors of about 2 when the cloud water content increases by a factor of 2. The total amount of sulfate formed increases from 0.42 ppb to 0.50 ppb. It should be noted that the oxidation of  $SO_2$  by  $H_2O_2$  is not affected by the liquid water content because it is a fast reaction which is limited by the initial amount of either SO, or H202. The relative contribution of the major pathways to sulfate formation were 68% for the  $H_2^0$  aqueous reaction (versus 83% in the base case), 21% for the  $0_2$  aqueous reaction (versus 12% in the base case). 10% for the OH aqueous reaction (versus 5% in the base case) and 1% for minor pathways.

The nitrate formation increases from 1.24 ppb to 1.26 ppb as the cloud water content increases. There is a slight increase in the  $NO_3$  aqueous reduction pathway due to the larger amount of water since this pathway accounts for 66% of nitrate formation versus 61% in the base case. Because of the parallel decrease in  $NO_3$  gas-phase radical concentration, the  $N_2O_5$  pathway decreases slightly, thereby, compensating the increase in the  $NO_3$  pathway.

#### SENSITIVITY TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

The base case simulation of 26 May 1985 pertains to the nighttime chemistry and transport of stratus clouds. It is of interest to study the variations in the chemical reactions that would occur as the environmental conditions change. Five different cases were considered.

(1) Daytime conditions

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- (2) Nighttime non-raining cloud
- (3) Nighttime cloud free conditions (i.e., gas-phase chemistry only)
- (4) Nighttime ground-level fog conditions
- (5) Nighttime plume dispersed in a stratus cloud

The results of these simulations are summarized in Table 9-5 for sulfate, nitrate, ammonium and hydrogen concentrations.

The daytime simulation shows a slight increase in sulfate concentrations (0.17 ppb) which is due to an increase in the aqueous oxidation of SO, by OH(aq) and other minor SO, oxidation pathways. The increase in nitrate concentrations is more significant since it amounts to 0.62 ppb, i.e. about 9%. There is also a significant change in the major chemical pathways leading to nitrate formation. During daytime, high concentrations of OH radicals lead to a predominance of the gas-phase reaction of NO2 with OH radicals (86% of nitrate formation versus a negligible amount at nighttime). The NO3 aqueous reduction pathway decreased from 61% (nighttime) to 10% (daytime). The N<sub>2</sub>0<sub>5</sub> hydrolysis pathway also decreased from 39% (nighttime) to 4% (daytime). These decreases in the relative importance of the NO2 and N205 pathways result from the fact that NO, photolysis and reaction with NO lead to lower NO, concentrations during daytime than at night. During daytime, concentrations of phenoxy compounds increase (0.3 ppb in the cloud after two hours) and the reaction of NO, radicals with phenoxy compounds is a small but non-negligible pathway

## Table 9-5. Major Species Concentrations after Two Hours for Various Environmental Conditions

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Environmental	Sulfate	Nitrate	Ammonium	рH
Conditions	(ppb)	(ppb)	(ppb)	
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Base case	2.53	7.00	7.06	3./3
Daytime Cloud	2.70	7.62	7.02	3.70
Nighttime Non-raining Cloud	3.80	9.70	10.6	3.59
Nighttime Cloud Free				
Conditions	3.15	8.60	10.6	
Nighttime Fog	4.9	16.1	8.7	3.2
Nighttime Plume in Cloud	10.1	15.8	8.7	3.0

for nitrate formation (4% of the total nitrate formed). Because of higher concentration of sulfate and nitrate, the pH of the cloud droplets is slightly lower at the end of the daytime simulation than at the end of the nighttime simulation.

The non-raining cloud simulation differs from the base case only by the lack of precipitation. As a result, concentrations of soluble species are higher in the cloud since rain does not deplete these concentrations. The sulfate, nitrate and ammonium concentrations are higher by 50, 40 and 50 percent, respectively. The difference in nitrate concentration is less because nitrate is formed toward the end of the simulation and is not depleted by rainout as much as other species that are depleted throughout the two-hour simulation. The pH at the end of the non-raining cloud simulation is lower because of the presence of higher concentrations of sulfate and nitrate.

The nighttime cloud free simulation is best compared to the nighttime non-raining cloud simulations since there are no removal processes in both simulations. (The base case simulation involves rainout of soluble species which makes the comparison more difficult.) It appears that no sulfate formation takes place in the nighttime cloud free simulations. This result is consistent with the previous results that showed that the dominant pathways for sulfate formation in the nighttime simulation were aqueous reactions. Little nitrate formation takes place (0.24 ppb over the two-hour simulation); the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> hydrolysis reaction is the dominant pathway.

In the nighttime fog simulation, all species initial concentrations were identical to those of the fourth layer of the base case cloud simulation (i.e., the layer corresponding to the aircraft measurements) except for NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>3</sub> initial concentrations which were 40, 10 and 20 ppb, based on ground-level data (ARB,

1987). PAN concentrations were assumed to be 5 ppb. The results after two hours of simulation show high sulfate, nitrate and ammonium concentrations because there is no entrainment of lower concentrations and no rainout of soluble species. The amount of sulfate and nitrate formed are 0.9 and 0.3 ppb, respectively. Sulfate formation is limited by the initial amount of SO2 present. It takes place primarily through aqueous reaction of SO2 with H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (90%). For nitrate formation, the gas-phase reaction of NO, with OH radicals is the dominant, yet limited, pathway. Concentrations of OH radicals are not negligible in fog, about  $3x10^{-6}$  ppb, because of the reaction of PAN in presence of NO (Seigneur and Saxena, 1984). Concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub> radicals, on the other hand, are small because NO emissions at ground level deplete  $0_3$  rapidly at night and the reaction of  $NO_2$  with  $0_3$ , therefore, does not take place to produce NO3.

The plume simulation was conducted by assuming that the initial NO, and SO, concentrations were 100 ppb each. The NO, concentration consisted of 90 ppb of NO and 10 ppb of NO2. These concentrations are consistent with measurements reported by Richards et al. (1983a) in the vicinity of the Fontana area in 1981-1982. About 11 ppb of sulfate are formed during the two-hour plume simulation. The aqueous oxidation of SO2 by 02 accounts for 90% of sulfate formation whereas the remaining 10% result from the oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> by H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. A negligible amount of nitrate was formed. Concentrations of NO3 were small because, in the simulation, all  $0_3$  was depleted by NO and no NO $_3$  was, therefore, formed. Formation of OH radicals at night can result from reaction of NO with PAN and NO, with aldehydes or phenoxy compounds. NO, concentrations are low in a NO plume and PAN concentrations were below the detection limit of 1 ppb. Therefore, no major pathway was available for nitrate formation.

It is particularly interesting to note that in a plume, HMSA formation takes place rapidly. After one hour, the HMSA

concentration is equal to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  M, which is commensurate with values observed in clouds (Richards et al., 1983b). As diffusion takes place, the HMSA concentration decreases to  $0.02 \times 10^{-6}$  M. This value of HMSA concentration is higher than the value expected from equilibrium between SO<sub>2</sub> and HCHO because the HMSA dissociation reaction is slower than the formation reaction. This simulation confirms that S(IV) concentrations that were observed in 1981-1982 could be explained as being HMSA resulting from the reaction of SO<sub>2</sub> with HCHO in cloudwater in plumes.

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### Section 10 CLOUD CHEMISTRY OF ORGANIC ACIDS

#### INTRODUCTION

The theoretical investigation of acid formation in clouds and fog in the Los Angeles basin has focused so far on the formation of inorganic acids such as sulfuric acid (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and nitric acid (HNO<sub>3</sub>) (Jacob and Hoffmann, 1983, Seigneur and Saxena, 1984, Seigneur et al., 1985). Recent measurements of rainwater in the Los Angeles basin have suggested that organic acids may also contribute significantly to the acidity of cloud, fog and rainwater (Grosjean, 1988, Kawamura et al., 1985). Therefore, it is desirable to include a chemical mechanism for organic acid formation in a mathematical model of atmospheric acid formation. This section presents the development of a chemical kinetic mechanism for organic acids and the results of some model simulations.

#### CHEMICAL KINETIC MECHANISM

The two major organic acids which have been identified in the Los Angeles basin are formic acid (HCOOH) and acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH) (Kawamura et al., 1985, Grosjean, 1988). Therefore, the chemical kinetic mechanism for organic acids consists of the reactions that directly affect the concentrations of these two acids in the gas phase and the liquid phase.

The chemical kinetic mechanism of Seigneur and Saxena (1988) is used for sulfuric and nitric acid formation. The chemical kinetic mechanism for organic acid formation is presented in Table 10-1. It may be noted that some reactions presented in Table 10-1 were already included in the mechanism of Seigneur and Saxena (1988) (e.g., formaldehyde chemistry, peroxyacetic acid reactions). This chemical kinetic mechanism may be summarized as follows.

### Table 10-1: Chemical Kinetic Mechanism for Organic Acids

Reaction	Equilibrium or <u>Rate Constant at 298 K</u>	Enthalpy or Activation Energy	Reference
Gas-Phase Kinetics			
$HCHO+HO_2(+NO) \rightarrow HCOOH+HO_2+NO_2$	_1 _1 14.8 ppm min _3 _1 _1		Lurmann et al. (1986)
$CH_2O_2+H_2O \rightarrow HCOOH$	5.92 x 10 ppm min	Lurmann et al. (1986)	
$CH_3CHO_2+H_2O \rightarrow CH_3COOH$	5.92 x 10 ppm min in i		Lurmann et al. (1986)
$HCOOH+OH \rightarrow HO_2+CO_2+H_2O$	474 ppm min		Zetzsch and Stuhl (1982)
$CH_3COO_2+HO_2 \rightarrow CH_3COO_2H+O_2$	9600 ppm min		Whitten and Gery (1986)
<u>Gas-Phase/Aqueous-Phase Equilibria</u>			
HCHO (g) → HCHO (aq) ←	3.5 M atm <sup>-1</sup>		Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)
CH₃CHO (g) → CH₃CHO (aq)	13 M atm <sup>-1</sup>	-II kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Snider and Dawson (1985)
НСООН (g) → НСООН (aq) ←	$3.7 \times 10^3 \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	-11.4 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Latimer (1952)
CH3COOH (g) → CH3COOH (aq) ←	$8.8 \times 10^3 \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	-12.8 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	CRC (1986)
CH3C002H (g) → CH3C002H (aq) ←	$4.4 \times 10^2 \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	-12.3 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Lind and Kok (1986)
Aqueous-Phase Equilibria			
HCHO (aq) $\rightarrow$ H <sub>2</sub> C(OH) <sub>2</sub> (aq)	1.8 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	-12.9 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Ledbury and Blair (1925)
CH <sub>3</sub> CHO (aq) → CH <sub>3</sub> CH(OH) <sub>2</sub> (aq) $\leftarrow$	1.2	-5 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Bell (1966)
HCOOH (aq) → HCOO <sup>-</sup> +H <sup>+</sup>	$1.78 \times 10^{-4} M$	-0.3 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Sillen and Martell (1964)

-0.1 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>

Sillen and Martell (1964)

1.7 x 10<sup>-5</sup> M

CH3COOH (aq)  $\rightarrow$  CH3COO<sup>-+</sup>H<sup>+</sup>

Table 10-1: Chemical Kinetic Mechanism for Organic Acids (Continued)

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Reaction	Equilibrium or <u>Rate Constant at 298 K</u>	Enthalpy or Activation Energy	Reference
Aqueous-Phase Kinetics			
$H_2C(0H)_2(aq)+0H(aq) \rightarrow HCOOH(aq)+HO_2(aq)+H_2O(1)$	$1.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Bothe and Schulte - Frohlinde (1980),
$H_2C(OH)_2(aq)+O_3(aq) \rightarrow Products$	6.0 M <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>		Anbar and Neta (1967) Hoigne and Bader (1983)
HCOOH(aq)+OH(aq) → $CO_2(aq)+HO_2(aq)+H_2O(1)$	$1.2 \times 10^{10} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Anbar and Neta (1967)
$HCOO^+OH(aq) \rightarrow CO_2(aq)+HO_2(aq)+OH^-$	1.5 x 10 <sup>11</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Anbar and Neta (1967)
$CH_3CHO(aq) + OH(aq) (+ HO_2(aq)) \rightarrow CH_3COO_2H(aq)$	$3.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Merz and Water (1949)
$CH_3COO_2(g)$ (+ $HO_2(aq)$ ) $\rightarrow$ $CH_3COO_2H(aq)$	Diffusion limited		This work
CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sub>2</sub> H(aq) (+ H <sub>2</sub> O(1)) → CH <sub>3</sub> COOH(aq)+H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (aq)	$3.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ min}^{-1}$		Koubeck and Edwards (1963)
$CH_3COO_2H(aq)+OH(aq) \rightarrow Products$	$1.2 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$	3.7 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Jacob and Wofsy (1986)
CH <sub>3</sub> COO <sub>2</sub> H(aq)+HSO <sub>3</sub> → CH <sub>3</sub> COOH(aq)+SO <sub>4</sub> + H <sup>+</sup>	$(3.02 \times 10^{9} [H^{+}] +$ 3.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup> )M <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	8.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Hoffmann and Calvert (1985)
$CH_3CH(OH)_2(aq) + OH(aq) \rightarrow CH_3COOH(aq) + HO_2(aq) + H_2O(1)$	$3.0 \times 10^{10} M^{-1} min^{-1}$	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Merz and Water (1949)
$CH_3COOH(aq)+OH(aq) \rightarrow Products$	1.2 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	3.7 kcal mol $^{-1}$	Fahrataziz and Ross (1977)
CH3COO-+OH(aq) → Products	4.2 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> min <sup>-1</sup>	3.0 kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Fahrataziz and Ross (1977)

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Formic acid is formed through two reactions in the gas phase (oxidation of formaldehyde by  $HO_2$  and hydrolysis of the Criegee radical  $CH_2O_2$ ) and through one reaction in the aqueous phase (oxidation of hydrated formaldehyde by OH). It is consumed through reaction with OH in both the gas phase and the aqueous phase.

Acetic acid is formed through hydrolysis of the Criegee radical  $CH_3CHO_2$  in the gas phase, reaction of acetaldehyde with OH radicals, hydrolysis of peroxyacetic acid  $(CH_3COO_2H)$  and reaction of peroxyacetic acid with bisulfite ions  $(HSO_{\overline{3}})$  in the aqueous phase.

The formation of peroxyacetic acid occurs in the gas phase via reaction of peroxyacetyl radicals  $(CH_3COO_2)$  with  $HO_2$  radicals and, in the aqueous phase, via dissolution of  $CH_3COO_2$  radicals and subsequent reaction with  $HO_2$  radicals and via reaction of acetaldehyde with OH radicals. Peroxyacetic acid is consumed in the aqueous phase via hydrolysis, reaction with OH radicals and reaction with  $HSO_3$ .

The chemical kinetic mechanism for organic acid formation consists of five gas-phase reactions, five gas-phase/aqueous-phase equilibria, four aqueous-phase equilibria and twelve aqueous-phase reactions.

#### MODEL SIMULATION

A model simulation was conducted using the first hour of the base case nighttime simulation of 26 May 1985 without rainout.

Little amount of organic acids was formed during this one-hour simulation since only 0.16 ppb of formic acid and 0.0045 ppb of acetic acid were formed. The corresponding aqueous-phase concentrations were 0.06 ppb (1.8  $\times 10^{-6}$  M) for formic acid and 0.002 ppb (7 $\times 10^{-8}$  M) for acetic acid. Since these two organic species are weak acids, only a fraction of these concentrations is present in the ionic form. The concentration of HCOO<sup>-</sup> was  $8.2\times 10^{-7}$ M (i.e., 45% of the total aqueous-phase concentration) and the concentration of CH<sub>3</sub>COO<sup>-</sup> was  $5\times 10^{-9}$  (i.e., 7% of the total aqueous-phase concentrations of organic acidic species have negligible effect on the cloud pH.

It should be noted that the simulation considered here is a one-hour nighttime simulation. Most chemical processes leading to organic acid formation involve OH and HO<sub>2</sub> radicals which are typically present in minute concentrations at night but are significant during the day. Therefore, organic acid formation should be significantly more important during daytime than during this nighttime simulation. Further work should be carried out to investigate the chemistry of organic acid formation under a variety of conditions (e.g., daytime, clouds, gas-phase, etc.).

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