# Improvements to magboltz and degrad data bases



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Outline:

Need to improve data base for more accuracy:

- 1) Light emission
- 2) fano factors W and F
- 3) DE/DX and range
- 4) Cluster size and spacing for charged tracks
- 5) Better description of quenching

New Inputs:

- 1) Introduce all possible dissociative ionisation channels and ion charge states
- 2) Calculate neutral dissociation from oscillator strength data corrected for ionisation efficiency.

#### SUMMARY OF RECENT DATA BASE UPDATES:

Noble gases: Helium: Ionisation :

He+ and He++ now have consistency between calculations and experimental measurements. Previously 10% difference ..

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Ionisation energy =24.58739 ev
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49 levels used in data base all have consistency between experiment and theory at the 1% level. levels are between 19.81961 and 24.49308 ev

The remaining levels between 24.49308 and the ionisation energy are approximated by a level at 24.50708 ev with the remaining oscillator strength from the sum rule of F=0.00440 which is 1.5% of the total oscillator strength Neon: Ionisation: Ne + ionisation energy =21.56454 ev Ne 2+ Ne 3+ Ne Kshell

45 excitation levels used from 16.61907 to 21.11401 ev The remaining oscillator strength between 21.11401 and the ionisation energy is approximated by two levels at : 21.14638 ev s-state 21.18286 ev d-state

these contain 9% of the remaining oscillator strength from the TRK sum rule

Argon : ionisation: ionisation energy = 15.75961 ev Ar + Ar 2+ Ar 3+ Ar K shell Ar L1 shell Ar L2 shell Ar L3 shell

44 excitation levels between 11.548 and 15.374 ev

The remaining oscillator strength between 15.374 and the ionisation energy is approximated by a level at 15.66 ev with 14% of the total oscillator strength from the TRK sum rule.

Ionisation energy 13.9996 ev Krypton : ionisation: Kr + Kr 2+ Kr 3+ Kr 4+ Kr K shell Kr L1 shell Kr L2 shell Kr L3 shell Kr M1 shell Kr M2 shell Kr M3 shell Kr M4 shell Kr M5 shell

51 excitation levels between 9.9152 and 13.4365 ev

The remaining oscillator strength between 13.4365 and the ionisation energy is approximated by a level at 13.6 ev with 11% of the total oscillator strength from the TRK sum rule.

Xenon : Ionisation : ionisation energy 12.129843 ev

Xe + Xe 2+ Xe 3+ Xe 4+ Xe 5+ Xe 6+ Xe K shell Xe L1 shell Xe L2 shell Xe L3 shell Xe M1 shell Xe M2 shell Xe M3 shell Xe M4 shell Xe M5 shell

50 levels between 8.3153155 and 11.993947 ev

The remaining oscillator strength between 11.993947 and the ionisation energy is approximated by a level at 12.0ev with 5% of the oscillator strength from the TRK sum rule..

Methane :	Ionisation :	ionisation energy 12.65 ev		
	CH4 +			
	CH3 +			
	CH2 +			
	H +			
	CH +			
	CH +*	< PRODUCED MAINLY IN EXCITED STATE		
	C +			
	CHn ++			
	H2 +			
	C K shell			

Dissociation: LIGHT EMISSION:

CH(A2delta > GS) CH(B2sigma > GS) H(Alpha > GS) H(Beta > GS)

8 VIBRATIONAL LEVELS AND 26 EXCITATION (DISSOCIATIVE) LEVELS FROM OSCILLATOR STRENGTH USE LEVELS BETWEEN 7.50 AND 15.75 EV UNACCOUNTED ENERGY LOSSES TO EXCITED IONS (NOT IN GS) GIVEN BY EFFECTIVE LEVEL AT 16 EV SUPEREXCITED STATES AT 20.5 AND 22 EV ALSO INCLUDED. ISOBUTANE: IONISATION IONISATION ENERGY 10.67 ev

NO EXPERIMENTALLY MEASURED DISSOCIATIVE IONISATION USE ONLY C4H10 + IONISATION AND ASSUME ANOTHER BREAKUP CHANNEL AT 17 ev

24 LEVELS: 9 VIBRATIONS AND 15 EXCITATIONS. USED SOME MEASURED OSCILLATOR STRENGTHS BETWEEN 7.2 AND 13.5 EV TO GIVE DISSOCIATIVE CHANNELS

NEED MORE EXPERIMENTAL DATA FROM ELECTRON SCATTERING IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE ISOBUTANE SIMULATION...... CF4 : IONISATION :

**IONISATION ENERGY** 

CF3 + CF2 + CF3 ++ C + F + CF2 ++ (C + , F +)(CF +, F +)(CF2 + , F +)(CF3 +, F +)C K shell F K shell

**Dissociative Attachment and 46 Inelastic levels:** 

- 10 Vibrations and 36 neutral dissociations
- Light emission in argon mix from CF3\* > CF3 + photon
- Dissociation from oscillator strength between 11.5 and 20 ev
- Non dipole dissociation in 3 levels and adjusted to fit Townsend gain

CO2 : ionisation :

CO2 + (GS) CO2 + (A2Pi) CO2 + (B2Sigma) O + CO + C + CO2 ++ CO2 ++ C ++ C ++ C ++ C ++ C Shell O K shell

76 ROTATIONAL LEVELS 19 VIBRATIONAL LEVELS 125 EXCITATION LEVELS LEVELS ABOVE 13.776 ALL DISSOCIATIVE CROSS-SECTIONS FROM OSCILLATOR STRENGTHS FOR DIPOLE LEVELS HYDROGEN : IONISATION : IONISATION ENERGY 15.418 EV

H2 +

H +

**107 LEVELS : 8 ROTATIONS 4 VIBRATIONS** 

95 EXCITATION AND DISSOCIATIONS

**OSCILLATOR STRENGTHS KNOWN FOR MANY INDIVIDUAL** 

LEVELS

MANY LIGHT EMITTING LEVELS :

LYMAN AND WERNER BAND EXCITATIONS CALCULATED

FOR EACH VIBRATIONAL STATE WITHIN BAND.

NITROGEN: IONISATIONS : IONISATION ENERGY 15.581 EV

N2 + (GS)N2 + (V>0)N2 + (A2Pi V=O) N2 + (A2Pi V=1) N2 + (A2Pi V>1) N2 + (B2sigma) N2 + (C2sigma) N +  $(N + , N^*)$ N + \* N ++ (N +, N +)N K shell

127 EXCITATION LEVELS : 76 ROTATIONAL LEVELS 16 VIBRATIONAL LEVELS

35 LEVELS WHICH HAVE ONLY SMALL DISSOCIATIVE FRACTIONS BELOW IONISATION THRESHOLD. POOR QUENCHER GAS ( LOTS OF LIGHT EMISSION AND LOW DISSOCIATION) **OXYGEN** : IONISATION :

O2 + (GS) O2 + ( A Pi) O2 + ( B4sigma) O + (O + , O + ) O ++ (O ++, O + ) O K shell

3 BODY ATTACHMENT 2 BODY DISSOCIATIVE ATTACHMENT

148 LEVELS : 48 ROTATIONAL LEVELS 23 VIBRATIONAL LEVELS 77 EXCITATION LEVELS MAINLY DISSOCIATIVE OSCILLATOR STRENGTH FROM EXPERIMENT USED FOR DISSOCIATIVE X-SECTIONS

NB ( DISSOCIATION ENERGY IN OXYGEN IS ONLY 5 EV)

Most recent update was oxygen :

Old data base contained incorrect rotational x-sections which made the 3 –body attachment inaccurate.

The new data base now also has the correct temperature dependence of the 3-body attachment

The oxygen subroutine now contains a scaling factor that is clearly indicated in the code which can be changed from 1.0 to any value to allow the rate to be adjusted for any gas mixture. The program then needs recompiling...



cross section cm\*\*2



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м	This work	Other works		
O <sub>2</sub>	2.3 ± 0.2 <sup>a)</sup>	1.7 1.9 2.0 2.1 2.2 2.3 2.8	[4] e) [5] [9,11] [10] F) [3]	H.Shimamori and
H <sub>2</sub>	$0.48 \pm 0.03^{\rm b}$	()	87	Y.Hatano
$D_1$	$0.140 \pm 0.005^{(0)}$	6 m mm	101	Chem.Phys.21(1977)187
He	0.033 ± 0.003	0.03	[3]	
Ne Ar Kr Xe N <sub>2</sub>	$0.023 \pm 0.003$ $0.05 \pm 0.01$ $0.05 \pm 0.01$ $0.085 \pm 0.005$ $0.085 \pm 0.003^{-3}$	$ \begin{pmatrix} 0.11 \\ 0.06 \\ 0.26 \\ 0.15 \end{pmatrix} $	[2] [3] [4]	
CH4	0.34 ± 0.01 <sup>(l)</sup>	0.078 0.2 ( 2.3	(15) (32) (1)	
C2H4	~3	3.1, 3.4 1.7 2.5	(6) [7] h)	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> mC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> mC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> neo-C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>	$1.7 \pm 0.1$ $3.3 \pm 0.2$ $\sim 5$ $7.9 \pm 0.4$ $8.0 \pm 0.7$ $9.1 \pm 0.4$	(1.5 1.5	[15] [15]	
С <sub>6</sub> Н <sub>6</sub> Сң <sub>3</sub> ОН Сң <sub>3</sub> ОН С <sub>2</sub> Н <sub>5</sub> ОН	11 ± 2 18	18 9~10	(7] (7], b)	
H2O H2S NH3 CH3COCH3		14 10 7 >35 27	[5,6], h) [7] [7], h) [7] h)	

Table 1 Three-body rate constants at about 300 K (× 10<sup>-30</sup> cm<sup>6</sup>/s)

a) This is an average of the values obtained by the present authors previously (refs. [18,19]).
b) This is taken from ref. [19].
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Levels above v'=4 In the oxygen negative ion vibrational band can be collisionally stabilised



Fig. 1. Absolute oscillator strengths for the photoabsorption of molecular oxygen in the energy region 5-30 eV measured resolution dipole (e, e) spectrometer (fwhm=0.048 eV).



Fig. 8. The absolute photodissociation cross section of oxygen.



Fig. 9. The absolute photoionization cross section of oxygen.

SF6 attachment



#### SF6 ionisation



## SF6 vibrations



## SF6 vibrations







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W ev/ion pair



W ev/ion pair



Fano



Fano


P.E.abs length mm.



W ev



W and Wexc ev



W ev/ion pair



Wexc ev



W ev







W ev/ion pair









W ev/ion pair







Range microns





















80 75 70 -NEON 65 x-ray 60 e-beam 55 50 -ΠŊ 10 100 100000 1000 10000 1000000 Energy ev

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## P.E.abs length mm.


Range microns



W ev/ion pair









P.E.abs length microns





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Fig. 2. Mass stopping power  $S(E)/\rho$  for incident electron energies, in H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> targets. —, present study;  $\bullet$ , semiempirical formula of Peterson and Green (1968);  $\circ$ , theoretical data of Sugiyama (1989); ..., theoretical data of Gümüş (2005);  $-\cdot -$ , results calculated by PENELOPE Program;  $\triangle$ , results obtained from ESTAR (The NIST database, 2003);  $\Box$ , data from ICRU 37 report (1984).

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# Noble Gas asymptotic Fano factors

Gas	We	Fe	Wexc	Fexc	sqrt(Fe/Fexc)	experiment(icru)
Не	47.1	0.235	68.8	0.68	0.59	41.3
Ne	37.4	0.135	76.8	0.68	0.44	35.4
Ar	26.3	0.144	60.1	0.71	0.45	26.4
Kr	24.8	0.158	46.8	0.72	0.47	24.4
Xe	22.3	0.181	39.4	0.76	0.49	22.1
error	1%		2%			2%

The difference between the calculation and the experiment in Helium and Neon is caused by gas impurities in the measurements which give Penning contributions to the total ionisation.

## Molecular Gas asymptotic Fano factors

Gas	W	F	Wexc	Fexc	Experiment(ICRU)
CF4	28.9	0.178			
CH4	27.3	0.23			27.3
C4H10	22.2	0.124			23.4
CO2	32.9	0.239			32.8
N2	34.2	0.19			34.8
H2 min	35	0.28	28.6	0.53	36.5
H2 max	36.8	0.46	27.1	0.67	36.5
02	29.2	0.18			30.5
O2-3B	30.1	0.19			30.5
TMA	15	0.14			
SF6	32.2-34.3	0.2-0.265			33.8
error	2%		3%		2%

Comments: Hydrogen has a large rise from the minimum at about 1Kev to a Maximum at 1Mev so the two values are given in the table , the other gases display a rise of less than 1% from the minimum to maximum at high energy . C4H10 has low F (no data on dissociative ionisation)

O2-3B includes effect of 3 body attachment on W and F

SF6 values at 13 ev and 5.5 ev thermalisation energy (5.5ev typical for RPC)

1     68.8       7     15.3       7     5.41       5     2.64       3     1.54       5     1       5     1       4     0.718       7     0.547       7     0.396       4     0.311       5     0.252	67.8 13.7 4.88 2.27 1.28 0.813 0.568 0.466 0.532 0.681	64.4 14.5 6.02 3.25 2.01 1.32 0.968 0.76	57.4 16.4 8.79 4.65 2.62 1.62 1.06
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	0.804	0.477	0.367
L 0.206	0.781	0.419	0.297
3 0.173	0.682	0.384	0.255
3 0.155	0.563	0.321	0.204
7 0.13	0.455	0.271	0.177
9 0.116	0.379	0.251	0.148
2 0.1	0.315	0.22	0.143
1 0.091	0.265	0.194	0.117
1 0.081	0.217	0.173	0.094
3 0.072	0.185	0.147	0.09
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0.071			
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#### Charged particle track cluster size distribution for Noble gases

Cluster size	CF4	CH4	C4H10	CO2	N2	H2	02	SF6
1	70.5	81.4	79.9	71.4	71.3	84.3	69.3	64.5
2	14.4	9.59	9.72	14.6	14.9	8.43	15.7	16
3	5.23	3	3.45	4.61	4.44	2.66	5.19	6.19
4	2.47	1.41	1.65	2.15	2.05	1.26	2.34	3.04
5	1.41	0.793	0.939	1.26	1.18	0.73	1.38	1.78
6	0.914	0.508	0.598	0.83	0.79	0.465	0.89	1.22
7	0.616	0.347	0.404	0.61	0.56	0.334	0.62	0.99
8	0.464	0.252	0.299	0.54	0.415	0.245	0.45	0.79
9	0.35	0.207	0.222	0.49	0.336	0.198	0.37	0.66
10	0.281	0.185	0.189	0.44	0.353	0.16	0.28	0.54
11	0.254	0.171	0.161	0.325	0.463	0.12	0.23	0.45
12	0.211	0.182	0.147	0.241	0.553	0.097	0.19	0.36
13	0.181	0.165	0.148	0.192	0.532	0.089	0.17	0.296
14	0.167	0.155	0.146	0.194	0.386	0.071	0.148	0.25
15	0.147	0.136	0.144	0.217	0.232	0.06	0.127	0.211
16	0.128	0.122	0.132	0.228	0.142	0.055	0.141	0.183
17	0.108	0.105	0.126	0.221	0.1	0.049	0.177	0.173
18	0.097	0.091	0.111	0.19	0.086	0.041	0.244	0.142
19	0.087	0.079	0.095	0.139	0.077	0.035	0.299	0.136
20	0.08	0.071	0.089	0.097	0.068	0.034	0.289	0.119
>20	1.9	0.99	1.29	1.03	1	0.57	1.45	1.96
Shell	СК	СК	СК	СКОК	NK		ОК	S L 12 S L 3
								FΚ

#### Charged particle track cluster size distribution for molecular gases

## Helium De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	5.923	4.192	3.419	3.184	3.27	3.49	3.751	4.052	4.767
De/Dx elastic	0.058	0.042	0.036	0.036	0.038	0.04	0.041	0.041	0.039
De/Dx exc	58.38	41.56	34.13	32.1	33.34	35.99	39.08	42.62	51.04
De/Dx ion	478.1	353.2	299.8	290.5	308	337.8	371	408.1	492.9
De/Dx brem	0.231	0.308	0.443	0.919	2.109	4.891	11.01	25.21	155
De/Dx tot	536.8	395.1	334.4	323.5	343.4	378.7	421.1	476	699
De/Dx cut(9kev)	421	298	243	226	232	248	266	288	339
% pass cut	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar =295.7 Groom =322.2

Degrad =322.6

## Neon De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	19.08	13.56	11.1	10.39	10.72	11.49	12.4	13.44	15.8
De/Dx elastic	0.27	0.2	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.19	0.2	0.2	0.19
De/Dx exc	40.69	28.96	23.77	22.35	23.19	25	27.12	29.54	35.05
De/Dx ion	2251	1693	1462	1444	1558	1737	1936	2162	2680
De/Dx brem	5.686	7.102	9.499	18.37	39.98	89.08	194.2	432.8	2553
De/Dx tot	2297	1729	1496	1485	1621	1851	2157	2625	5269
De/Dx cut(9kev)	1896	1352	1111	1043	1080	1161	1256	1365	1613
% pass cut	99.1	99	99	99	99	99	99	99	99

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar =1313 Groom =1446 Degrad =1467

#### Argon De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	42.73	30.28	24.72	23.05	23.71	25.33	27.25	29.46	34.27
De/Dx elastic	0.42	0.31	0.27	0.27	0.29	0.3	0.31	0.32	0.3
De/Dx exc	123.6	87.99	72.24	67.85	70.31	75.69	81.97	89.17	104.8
De/Dx ion	4278	3216	2770	2736	2948	3288	3668	4104	5134
De/Dx brem	19.47	24.01	31.24	58.92	125.3	275.3	592	1304	7629
De/Dx tot	4422	3328	2874	2863	3144	3639	4342	5497	12870
De/Dx cut(9kev)	3635	2598	2137	2013	2087	2248	2435	2650	3139
% pass cut	97.3	97.2	97.1	97	97	97.1	97.1	97.1	97.1

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 2297 Groom = 2452 Degrad = 2805

#### Krypton De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	56.75	40.15	32.74	30.46	31.27	33.36	35.84	38.7	45.08
De/Dx elastic	0.8	0.61	0.54	0.53	0.56	0.6	0.61	0.63	0.57
De/Dx exc	161.3	114.7	94.12	88.31	91.41	98.3	106.4	115.6	136.3
De/Dx ion	6736	5152	4510	4516	4929	5560	6266	7077	9053
De/Dx brem	84.24	104.9	133.8	243	495.9	1059	2226	4833	27780
De/Dx tot	6982	5373	4739	4848	5517	6718	8599	12030	36970
De/Dx cut(9kev)	5255	3744	3071	2879	2975	3194	3451	3744	4419
% pass cut	87	86.8	86.7	86.6	86.6	86.6	86.6	86.6	86.6

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 4254 Groom = 4731 Degrad = 4605

#### Xenon De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	80.63	57.76	47.71	45.08	46.93	50.72	55.1	60.13	71.17
De/Dx elastic	1.15	0.9	0.8	0.79	0.84	0.89	0.91	0.92	0.96
De/Dx exc	204.3	145.4	119.2	111.8	115.7	124.4	134.5	146.2	171.9
De/Dx ion	10110	7822	6928	7030	7761	8848	10070	11470	14920
De/Dx brem	91.75	163.2	279	565.2	1153	2394	4926	10470	58850
De/Dx tot	10410	8131	7327	7708	9030	11370	15130	22090	73940
De/Dx cut(9kev)	7890	5699	4746	4524	4747	5167	5653	6198	7453
% pass cut	77.4	77.1	76.9	76.8	76.8	76.8	76.8	76.8	76.7

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 6146 Groom = 6882 Degrad = 7143

#### CF4 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	109.3	77.63	63.56	59.46	61.33	65.72	70.88	76.81	88.06
De/Dx elastic	0.221	0.163	0.14	0.141	0.148	0.157	0.162	0.166	0.161
De/Dx exc	169.1	120.8	99.51	93.7	97.3	104.8	113.6	123.7	142.7
De/Dx ion	9829	7380	6356	6270	6753	7527	8397	9398	11560
De/Dx brem	19.79	24.82	33.41	64.96	141.8	318.2	696.2	1555	9197
De/Dx tot	10020	7526	6489	6429	6993	7950	9207	11080	20900
De/Dx cut(9kev)	8344	5950	4887	4592	4754	5113	5531	6012	6970
% pass cut	99.6	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5

Minimum ionising ( without brem) : Groom =6382 Degrad =6364

#### CH4 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	46.23	32.71	26.67	24.81	25.47	27.17	29.19	31.52	35.68
De/Dx elastic	0.135	0.098	0.084	0.083	0.088	0.093	0.097	0.099	0.097
De/Dx exc	294.3	209.6	172.1	161.6	167.4	180.1	195	212.1	242.6
De/Dx ion	2583	1914	1627	1584	1685	1858	2053	2277	2743
De/Dx brem	2251	2.89	3.992	7.968	17.8	40.61	90.08	204	1237
De/Dx tot	2880	2127	1803	1753	1871	2079	2338	2693	4223
De/Dx cut(9kev)	2265	1607	1312	1225	1261	1349	1453	1573	1799
% pass cut	99.9	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 1479 Groom = 1613 Degrad = 1745

#### C4H10 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	150.8	107.8	88.92	83.85	87.13	94.01	102	109.8	124.8
De/Dx elastic	0.143	0.105	0.089	0.09	0.095	0.101	0.103	0.106	0.105
De/Dx exc	219.9	156.7	128.7	120.8	125.1	134.4	145.4	156.2	176.8
De/Dx ion	8632	6458	5542	5456	5865	6527	7264	8043	9748
De/Dx brem	8.6	11.1	15.2	30.2	67.2	153	339	765	4623
De/Dx tot	8861	6626	5686	5607	6057	6814	7749	8965	14550
De/Dx cut(9kev)	7564	5418	4466	4221	4390	4744	5152	5568	6398
% pass cut	99.8	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 5110 Groom = 5670 Degrad = 5577

#### CO2 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	61.97	44.04	36.07	33.75	34.82	37.32	40.26	43.63	50.03
De/Dx elastic	0.199	0.146	0.126	0.125	0.132	0.14	0.146	0.149	0.146
De/Dx exc	240	169	138	129	133	143	154	168	193
De/Dx ion	5313	3956	3382	3309	3541	3924	4356	4850	5870
De/Dx brem	8.979	11.33	15.32	29.95	65.76	148.1	324.6	727.6	4333
De/Dx tot	5561	4136	3536	3468	3740	4215	4835	5746	10400
De/Dx cut(9kev)	4630	3294	2702	2533	2617	2809	3035	3293	3796
% pass cut	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 3053 Groom = 3351 Degrad = 3438

#### N2 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	40.46	28.61	23.31	21.68	22.24	23.71	25.46	27.48	31.47
De/Dx elastic	0.19	0.139	0.119	0.12	0.127	0.134	0.138	0.142	0.138
De/Dx exc	214.7	153.3	126.1	118.7	123.2	132.7	143.7	156.4	181.5
De/Dx ion	3491	2584	2197	2135	2272	2505	2771	3078	3760
De/Dx brem	5.481	6.924	9.388	18.4	40.52	91.26	201	450.5	2693
De/Dx tot	3711	2745	2333	2272	2435	2729	3116	3685	6614
De/Dx cut(9kev)	3053	2163	1765	1646	1692	1807	1944	2101	2420
% pass cut	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 1947 Groom = 2127 Degrad = 2254

## H2 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	9.026	6.339	5.129	4.729	4.813	5.092	5.432	5.826	6.611
De/Dx elastic	0.06	0.043	0.037	0.036	0.037	0.04	0.04	0.041	0.038
De/Dx exc	134.5	95.99	78.99	74.31	77.06	82.98	89.87	97.75	113.4
De/Dx ion	474.4	347	291.5	278.9	292.2	316.8	344.4	375.2	435.3
De/Dx brem	0.126	0.176	0.266	0.578	1.368	3.263	7.483	17.46	112.1
De/Dx tot	609	443.2	370.8	353.8	370.7	403.1	441.8	490.4	660.9
De/Dx cut(9kev)	420.8	295.4	239.1	220.4	224.3	237.2	253.1	271.4	308
% pass cut	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9

Minimum ionising (without brem) : Estar = 317.4 Groom = 343.7 Degrad = 353.2

#### O2 De/Dx and primary cluster density

0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
46.23	32.78	26.8	25.01	25.75	27.54	29.65	32.08	36.95
0.217	0.159	0.137	0.137	0.145	0.153	0.158	0.162	0.157
80.08	56.72	46.35	43.36	44.82	48.17	52.12	56.66	65.76
3757	2790	2380	2322	2479	2740	3035	3372	4085
7.19	9.05	12.2	23.79	52.18	117.3	256.9	575.4	3420
3844	2856	2439	2390	2576	2906	3344	4004	7571
3283	2332	1909	1786	1841	1973	2128	2305	2667
99.94	99.94	99.94	99.93	99.93	99.93	99.93	99.93	99.93
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Minimum ionising (without brem) :

Estar = 2185 Groom = 2373 Degrad = 2366

#### SF6 De/Dx and primary cluster density

Energy Mev	0.15	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.6	5.2	10	20	100
Beta*Gamma	0.825	1.24	1.944	3.427	6.057	11.23	20.74	40.52	198.6
Np 1/cm	150.2	107	87.91	82.53	84.51	91.79	99.26	107.8	123.1
De/Dx elastic	0.269	0.199	0.172	0.171	0.18	0.19	0.198	0.204	0.196
De/Dx exc	298.4	213.1	175.5	165.2	171.4	184.7	200.1	217.7	249.4
De/Dx ion	17300	13070	11330	11240	12180	13650	15300	17190	21180
De/Dx brem	41.85	52.12	69.4	133.7	289.4	645.2	1404	3120	18390
De/Dx tot	17640	13330	11570	11540	12640	14480	16900	20530	39820
De/Dx cut(9kev)	14440	10310	8482	7982	8278	8916	9659	10510	12120
% pass cut	97.7	97.6	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4

Minimum ionising (without brem) :

Estar =

Groom = Degrad = 11406 Many thanks to Carlos Oliveira and Carlos Azevado whose help in debugging Degrad was essential to finishing this project.

The data base now covers the most important gases used in radiation detectors with more than adequate precision .

The next priorities for the future include the addition of x-sections for liquid argon and xenon thanks to the work of ANU and James Cook University Australia (Ron White).

The priorities after that will be to upgrade H2O and propane to be included in degrad so as to allow better simulation of tissue equivalent gases for radiation damage simulation of biological structures..
Liquid Argon and Xenon:

20 years ago I simulated the behaviour of liquids using some x-sections close to those of Lekner. The aim was to see the effect of doping liquid Argon with Methane which was used at that Time for speeding up the response of electromagnetic calorimeters. The calculated drift velocity increase with doping was roughly comparable with that obtained in experiment. However the accuracy of the simulation did not warrant publication at that time. Recently Ron White published a new analysis and cross-sections for Liquid Argon ref J.Chem.Phys 142(2015)154507 the paper had a much better treatment of liquid state than in the Lekner theory in particular the pair structure factor and reproduces drift velocity and diffusion accurately.

I e-mailed Ron and asked if it was possible to do the same for Xenon and he has sent a preprint which I can not yet make public But hopefully will soon be published in NIMA..



## Electron scattering and transport in liquid argon

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The transport of excess electrons in liquid argon driven out of equilibrium by an applied electric field is revisited using a multi-term solution of Boltzmann's equation together with ab initio liquid phase cross-sections calculated using the Dirac-Fock scattering equations. The calculation of liquid phase cross-sections extends previous treatments to consider multipole polarisabilities and a non-local treatment of exchange, while the accuracy of the electron-argon potential is validated through comparison of the calculated gas phase cross-sections with experiment. The results presented highlight the inadequacy of local treatments of exchange that are commonly used in liquid and cluster phase cross-section calculations. The multi-term Boltzmann equation framework accounting for coherent scattering enables the inclusion of the full anisotropy in the differential cross-section arising from the interaction and the structure factor, without an a priori assumption of quasi-isotropy in the velocity distribution function. The model, which contains no free parameters and accounts for both coherent scattering and liquid phase screening effects, was found to reproduce well the experimental drift velocities and characteristic energies. © 2015 AIP Publishing LLC. [http://dx.doi.org/10.1063/1.4917258]



FIG. 2. Pair correlator for argon, as reported in Yarnell,<sup>28</sup> measured in neutron scattering experiments. Also plotted is the pair correlator calculated in the analytical Percus-Yevick approximation as used by Lekner.<sup>9</sup>

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FIG. 5. Screened elastic total and momentum-transfer cross-sections for argon calculated from the phase shifts determined at a distance  $r^*$ . Our preferred choice for transport calculations in this paper,  $r^* = r_m$ , corresponds to the solid line, the dashed lines are those corresponding to a variations  $r^* = r_m \pm \frac{1}{16}a_0$ , and the dotted line corresponds to a variation of  $r^* = \sigma_{\rm core}/2$ .