
the quenching effect of chloroform on electronic in some organic liquids

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GENERAL CONCLUSION Although the mechanism of energy transfer for the quenching systems studied in this thesis are interpreted on the basis of virtual photon transfer, the results could also, but with more difficulty, be made compatible with the predictions of a real photon transfer. The quenching efficiency of chloroform for the systems studied in this work is greater than would be expected on the basis of a diffusion-limited process with geometric cross-sections for solvent and quencher. This conclusion is based on comparison between theoretical calculations and experimental results for the specific rates K_7 and K_3 . Since K_1 is interpreted as the reciprocal of the lifetime of the chloroform system and $K_7 = 245.095 \times 10^8 \text{ L/mole}\cdot\text{sec.}$ for naphthalene + toluene + chloroform system, comparing it with the theoretical calculations according to equation of time and as this value for toluene is $1.4 \times 10^8 \text{ sec.}$ (47) so we can now estimate the specific rates K_7 and K_3 for these become respectively $K_7 = 424.15 \times 10^8 \text{ L/mole}\cdot\text{sec.}$, $K_3 = 141.39 \times 10^8 \text{ L/mole}\cdot\text{sec.}$ for anthracene + xylene + chloroform (47) which gives a value for $K_7,3$ equals to $142.88 \times 10^8 \text{ L/mole}\cdot\text{sec.}$ It is clear that the specific rates K_7 and K_3 have values larger than would be expected of the energy quenching and energy transfer reactions to be discussed as diffusion controlled with geometric cross sections. Arguments are also advanced against either of these reactions involving a long-range dipole-dipole interaction. It seemed that both the energy transfer and quenching processes somehow involved the intermediate participation of neighbouring solvent molecules. The diffusion of the excitation away from an initially excited toluene molecule via randomly oriented neighbouring toluene molecules to be too slow because of the large Stokes shift. It was therefore postulated that a degree of short-range order existed in liquid toluene. The initial energy absorption act is assumed now to excite an excited state of the ordered region resulting in delocalization of the energy over the dimensions of the region. According to this view the rate equation of $K_7,3 = \frac{7.6 \times 10^{21}}{D}$ where D is the sum of two reactants, and reaction $(R = 5 \times 10^8 \text{ cm})$ of the diffusion constants for the R is the intermolecular distance at 10^{-8} cm determining step in the energy transfer and quenching reactions would be the molecular diffusion of solute and quencher to the excited region. The specific rates K_7 and K_3 should therefore be equal to the encounter frequency of the molecule with any point of this region. As a conclusion, our results are summarized as the occurrence of both quenching by and energy transfer from chloroform. The solvent (toluene or xylene) acts as trapped

medium of the energy from which it transported to both quencher (chloroform) and solute (anthracene or naphthol). Rapidly quenching of energy in chloroform occurs; a small fraction of this energy transferred to solute via chloroform molecules. Increasing chloroform concentration results in more energy transference to it by the excited solvent molecule until the amount of energy transferred from chloroform to the solute (anthracene or naphthol) becomes significant compared to that transferred directly from solvent to solute and this increases the self quenching of the system. Comparing the mathematical calculations of the probabilities of energy transfer (rate constant ratios), from solvent to solute (K_3/K_1), and from solvent to quencher (K_7/K_1) we obtain that (K_7/K_1) is greater than K_3/K_1 for the three systems and this means that chloroform acts as a good quencher. Also, by comparing the transfer parameter K_3/K_i ; firstly in case of naphthol + toluene + chloroform and anthracene + toluene + chloroform systems at the same conditions we obtain that K_1/K_i for the first system is greater than that at the later one and this means that the transferred energy to naphthol is greater than in case of anthracene. Secondly, K_3/K_1 in the case of anthracene + toluene + chloroform is greater than K_3/K_1 in the case of anthracene + toluene + chloroform systems at the same conditions which means that the self quenching for the first system is higher than that for the latter. When adding a high fluorescence solute as POPOP to a system, anthracene and naphthol in this case considered as intermediate solvents. The energy is transferred from both chloroform and intermediate solvent molecules to the solute (POPOP) molecules which is responsible for fluorescence emission. Results show that there is an increase in light output emission, i.e., the part of energy which is transferred to the solute via intermediate solvent increases with increasing solute concentration. This means that the solute (POPOP) has overcome the quenching effect of the quencher chloroform.