lifted at room temperature and more completely lifted at low temperatures. Every Rh<sup>3+</sup> ion brings two extra positive charges into the lattice and causes the Frenkel equilibrium to shift in favor of increased concentration of silver ion vacancies. At the low temperatures used in these experiments, the vacancies are expected to be coulombically bound to the  $RhBr_6^{3-}$  ion, but they can dissociate partially or completely as the temperature is raised. Examples of this vacancy association process are found in the esr studies of vanadium in silver chloride,  $9,10$  ferric ions in AgCl and AgBr,<sup>11,12</sup> and chromium in AgCl.<sup>13</sup> The two vacancies associated with  $RhBr_6^{3-}$  at 20<sup>°</sup>K lower the symmetry of the impurity center and result in the lifting of the triplet degeneracy. The room-temperature data where only two lines are observed have been attributed to the partial dissociation of the vacancies from the center. As mentioned earlier, other interactions can also contribute to this splitting. It is conceivable that the coupling between the  $v_3$  mode of  $RhBr<sub>6</sub><sup>3-</sup>$  and the nearby intense lattice vibration of the host AgBr contributes significantly to the splittings. Except for the effects of the vacancies mentioned above,  $\text{RhBr}_6^{3-}$  in the AgBr lattice has the same symmetry as the isolated molecule, and no site-group splitting is expected. At the low dopant concentrations employed in this study (200 pm) the correlation field interactions cannot be very important and have not been detected by epr experiments.<sup>3</sup>

responsible for the splitting of the  $246.4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  line. The other ir-active mode *v4,* expected to have a frequency of around 100 cm-' , has not been observed because of the intense lattice absorption of the host crystal in this spectral region. Reflectivity studies are currently under way to search for this band. Calculations show that the bromide isotope effect can be

To substantiate these assignments further, the frequencies are compared in Table I with those measured for  $Cs_3RhBr_6$ .

The assignment of 136 cm<sup>-1</sup> as  $v_5$  is somewhat tenuous, since the  $v_5$  of  $PtBr_6^{2-}$  is at 97 cm<sup>-1</sup>,<sup>14</sup> and that of  $ReBr_6^{2-}$ , at 112 cm<sup>-1</sup>.<sup>15</sup> The relative broadness of the band suggests it may be an impurity-induced multiphonon band of AgBr.

The optical spectrum of single crystals of rhodium-doped AgBr at 77°K is similar to one taken at ambient temperatures. $3$  The broad absorption peaked at 550 nm has been attributed to the spin-allowed  $({}^{1}A_1 \rightarrow {}^{1}T_1, {}^{1}T_2)$  transition. It is noted that this electronic transition of the scattering molecule occurs at the wavelength of the exciting light (5682 **A);** hence, one expects to observe the resonance Raman effect (RRE). The high intensity of the fundamental observed in the Raman spectrum with 5682-Å irradiation is believed to be a manifestation of the RRE. **A** comparison of the preresonance Raman effect with the RRE is not possible because of the broadness of the electronic absorption band and because of the available laser exciting lines. However, the relative peak intensities of the Raman-scattered lines with the exciting laser lines have been studied. It is observed that as the exciting line moves away from the absorption maximum at 550 nm, the ratio of the intensity

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Synthetic and Nuclear Quadrupole Resonance **Study of**  Chlorodiiodinium Hexachloroantimonate(V),  $I_2Cl^*SbCl_6^-$ 

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The  $I_2Cl^+$  ion was evidently first postulated to account for the properties of appropriate solutions of  $HIO<sub>3</sub>, I<sub>2</sub>,$  and ICl in sulfuric acid.<sup>1</sup> Later work in this laboratory established that the reported<sup>2</sup> phase  $2IC1·A1Cl<sub>3</sub>$  not only had the indicated stoichiometry but also was correctly formulated as  $I_2Cl^+AlCl_4^-$ , the assignment being based on its halogen nqr and aluminum nmr spectra relative to those of  $\text{ICl}_2$ <sup>+</sup>- $AICl<sub>4</sub>$ ,  $I<sub>3</sub>$ <sup>+</sup> $AICl<sub>4</sub>$ <sup>-</sup>, and  $I<sub>5</sub>$ <sup>+</sup> $AICl<sub>4</sub>$ <sup>-</sup>.<sup>3</sup> The work reported herein was undertaken to examine the possible formation of similar cations in the system  $I_2$ -ICl-SbCl<sub>5</sub>. The only solid phase stable at room temperature is, however, 2ICl.  $SbCl<sub>5</sub>$ . This compound does exhibit an unusually strong nqr spectrum for all isotopes possible  $(^{35}Cl, ^{37}Cl, ^{121}Sb,$  $12\frac{3}{5}$ Sb,  $127$ ]) which allows appreciable information to be deduced regarding not only its formulation as  $I_2Cl^+SbCl_6^$ but also interactions in the solid structure. A different synthesis and Raman data for the same compound have recently also been reported by Shamir and Lustig.<sup>4</sup>

## Experimental Section

Commercial SbC1, (Research Inorganic/Organic Chemical

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Corp., 99%) was vacuum-distilled once in a sealed glass apparatus  $T$ and then transferred in a  $N_2$ -filled glove bag to a second glass system containing a 5-ml microburet and equipped with Teflon needle valves (Fischer-Porter). The material was then vacuum-distilled into the buret, whereafter the amount of SbC1, to react with previously weighed ICl or  $I_2$  was measured volumetrically to  $\pm 0.01$ ml and transferred under vacuum.

flask into an evacuated, preweighed container which was closed and weighed on an analytical balance. The contents were then transferred quantitatively *in uacuo* to a reaction vessel containing the SbCl<sub>s</sub>; the tube was sealed and heated for a few hours at  $120^{\circ}$ . Microscopic and nqr identification of the reaction products *in situ*  in the sealed reaction containers proved to be useful additions to more conventional means of characterization. Purified IC1 or I, was sublimed from an evacuated storage

The general nqr techniques employed have been described elsewhere.<sup>5</sup> Briefly, initial spectral measurements were recorded on a Wilks NQR-1A superregenerative spectrometer. These allowed the approximation of transition frequencies to  $\pm 10-30$  kHz and i1 MHz in the respective ranges studied, 12-50 and 350-600 MHz. Precise frequency measurements  $(\pm 1 \text{ kHz})$  were then obtained and overlapping transitions (>20-kHz separation) resolved for chlorine and antimony on a wide-line spectrometer.

## Results and **Discussion**

"neat" according to the described procedures. The compound melts at about 70" and sublimes at room temperature. General reactions of  $nI_2 + ICl + SbCl_5$  were investigated for  $n = 1-3$  since these stoichiometries would correspond to the formation of  $I_{2n+1}$ <sup>+</sup>SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salts analogous to some known tetrachloroaluminates. $3$  However all gave multiphase mixtures containing free I<sub>2</sub> plus the same compound 2ICl.SbCl<sub>5</sub>. Other studies of the  $I_2$ -SbCl<sub>5</sub> and  $ICl-SbCl<sub>5</sub>$  binary systems demonstrated that the additional IC1 necessary for the formation of  $2ICl·SbCl<sub>5</sub>$  is formed substantially quantitatively by oxidation of  $I_2$  by  $SbCl_5$ according to the reaction The phase  $2ICl·SbCl<sub>5</sub> (=I<sub>2</sub>Cl<sup>+</sup>SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>)$  is readily formed

 $I_2 + 2SbCl_2 \rightarrow 2ICl·SbCl_1 + SbCl_2$ 

until either  $I_2$  or SbCl<sub>5</sub> is consumed. This reaction, which of course precludes the formation of  $I_3$ <sup>+</sup>SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>, etc., at least as equilibrium phases, was evidently first noted by Ruff,<sup>6</sup> although he concluded the adduct formed was a mixture (or mixed crystals) of  $2ICl·SbCl<sub>5</sub>$  and  $3ICl·SbCl<sub>5</sub>$ .

The stability of the lone adduct  $2ICI·SbCl<sub>5</sub>$  is also demonstrated by the fact that the phase may be achieved using IC1 as the oxidizing agent, according to

 $4\text{IC1} + \text{SbCl}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{ICl-SbCl}_5 + \text{I}_2$ 

There is no reaction between SbCl<sub>3</sub> and I<sub>2</sub>. The only other related compound,  $ICl<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>$ , requires  $ICl<sub>3</sub>$  or  $Cl<sub>2</sub>$  for its synthesis.<sup>4</sup>

of  $I_2CISbCl_6$  are listed in Table I together with their assignments. The latter process is greatly aided by both the greater measurement precision possible with the wideline spectrometer and the likelihood that all transitions have been observed, the strengths of the signals being much greater than those obtained for the same cation in  $I_2Cl^+AlCl_4^$ as well as those reported<sup>7</sup> for other  $SbCl_6^-$  salts. Precise verification of some assignments may be made according to required relationships between transitions of different isotopes of the same element in the same chemical en-The 16 resolved transitions observed in the nqr spectrum





**a** Measurement error in the least significant figure is given in parentheses. *b* **As** observed on a Wilks instrument. Key: **s,** strong; m, moderate; w, weak. **C** Incompletely resolved; see text. **d** Assignments may be reversed; see text.

vironment, while others can be interpreted by comparison with other compounds.

iodine atom in the  $I_2Cl^+$  cation is consistent with the value found for  $I_2Cl^+AlCl_4^-$ , 417 MHz, the latter falling into proper sequence for the central iodine in the  $AlCl<sub>4</sub>$ <sup>-</sup> salts of the V-shaped  $I_3^+, I_2Cl^+,$  and  $ICl_2^+:$  308, 417, and 458 MHz, respectively.<sup>3</sup> A similar expectation for the effect of chlorine substitution on the frequency of the other terminal iodine would suggest that the 415- and 428-MHz transitions for terminal atoms in  $I_3$ <sup>+</sup>AlCl<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> translate into 517 MHz in the present  $I_2Cl^+$ . This transition has not been observed with  $I_2Cl^+AlCl_4^-$ . The  $\nu_2 (\pm^3/2 \rightarrow \pm^5/2)$  transitions possible for the iodine atoms in  $I_2Cl^+$  would all be expected to fall beyond the range of the instrument used. The assignment of the transition at 429 MHz to the central

of <sup>35</sup>Cl and <sup>37</sup>Cl readily enables the assignment of four pairs of chlorine transitions in the compound, as shown. The highest frequency observed for  $35C1(38.281 \text{ MHz})$  corresponds well to those obtained for this cation in  $I_2Cl<sup>+</sup>Al Cl<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (38.127, 37.912 MHz)<sup>3</sup>$  while the three in the range 20.778-25.689 MHz are in reasonable agreement with those reported for this isotope in a variety of other  $SbCl_6^-$  salts.<sup>7</sup> The sharp resonance at 16.554 MHz, which cannot be assigned to antimony or iodine, must be attributed to  $37^{\circ}$ Cl in SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>, requiring that a fourth transition for  $35^{\circ}$ Cl in SbC16- be located at about 21.003 MHz. **A** large and unusually shaped band is found in this region with the Wilks instrument, and this feature is clearly but still incompletely resolved on the wide-line spectrometer into a pair of transitions at 21.01 1 *(5)* and 21.029 (4) MHz. Although the large line widths (Table I) arise in part from the incomplete resolution, some of the width of the former resonance must also result from the near coincidence of the presumably narrow  $^{35}$ Cl transition with an antimony resonance. The antimony parameters and hence the locations of the transitions are well overdetermined, and two are defmitely required near 21 .O MHz. The required ratio (1.26878) for the resonance frequencies

The multiplicity of antimony transitions arises from the higher spin of the isotopes <sup>121</sup> Sb  $(I = 5/2, 57\%$  abundance) and <sup>123</sup>Sb  $(I = 7/2, 43\%)$ , giving five transitions to be described by three constants, that is, a single asymmetry parameter  $\eta$  and a coupling constant  $e^2Qq/h$  for each isotope. Assignment of the antimony transition at lowest frequency

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**Table 11.** Parameters Calculated from Antimony Assignments for  $I_2Cl^*SbCl_6^-$ 

	$121$ Ch		123Rh	
Assignment	Table I	Alternate <sup>b</sup> Table I		Alternate <sup>b</sup>
Asym parameter <sup><math>a</math></sup> $e^2Qq/h$ , <sup>a</sup> MHz	0.3794 122.244	0.3805 122.261	0.3811 155.843	0.3799 155.766
$Q_{123}/Q_{121}$ : Table I, 1.27486; alternate, <sup>b</sup> 1.27404; ref 9, 1.27474				

*a* Data measurement errors alone are estimated to give an uncer-

tainty of  $\pm 4$  in the last digits shown. *b*  $t_7$  and  $t_8$  reversed in Table I.

The observation of four independent chlorine atoms for the SbCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> anion indicates the group possesses  $C_s$  or  $C_{2v}$ point symmetry in the crystal, provided of course that all resonances have been observed. *If* intensities are meaningful, each of the higher frequency transitions ( $t<sub>9</sub>$  and  $t<sub>10</sub>$ ) corresponds to two equivalent atoms, but this conclusion is necessarily speculative.

seem rather large for the central atom in a nominally octahedral complex, Schneider and DiLorenzo<sup>10</sup> have pointed out that such a value can result from only  $\sim$ 3% imbalance in the p-orbital population relative to axial symmetry. Angular distortions are particularly effective in this respect. The spread of almost 5 MHz in the  $<sup>35</sup>Cl$  transitions is consistent</sup> with (but of course not proof of) the observed asymmetry. Transition averages of  $23.7 \pm 0.7$  MHz with ranges of less than 1 MHz have been cited as characteristic of  $35$  Cl in relatively unperturbed  $SbCl_6^-$  ions (at  $77^\circ K$ );<sup>7</sup> the present <sup>35</sup>Cl transitions still average 23.08 MHz without regard to possible multiplicity. Raman data for this compound also support the presence of an  $SbCl_6^-$  ion with appreciable distortion, the  $e_g$  mode being split by 36 cm<sup>-1</sup> or 13%.<sup>4</sup> Although an antimony asymmetry parameter of 0.38 may

A distortion of the  $SbCl_6^-$  ion of the amount indicated is certainly not without precedent. Variations of over 0.20 **a**  in antimony-chlorine distances and  $3^\circ$  in angles in other hexachloroantimonate(V) salts have been observed and attributed to packing effects.<sup>11</sup> In addition specific interactions with the  $I_2Cl^+$  cation may not be negligible. In the presumably similar  $IC1<sub>2</sub>SbCl<sub>6</sub>$  the V-shaped cation has two more distant chlorine atom neighbors in anions which complete a roughly rectangular arrangement about the iodine.<sup>12</sup> This (and perhaps packing) then gives a  $0.15-A$  range (6.5%) or **40)** in Sb-Cl distances and a 13.6" range in angles at antimony in  $ICl<sub>2</sub>SbCl<sub>6</sub>$ .

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## Hydrogen Bonding. **11.** Complex Fluoride **Salts of**  Arylammonium Ions'

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In the course of investigations<sup>2</sup> into the possible existence of ions of the type  $[(OH^-)_nF^-_{4-n}H^+_{m}]^{m-4}$  we became interested in salts of the  $H_3F_4^-$  anion, a simple species where  $n = 0$  and  $m = 3$ . Reported examples of solid-phase, crystalline higher hydrogen fluoride complexes fall into two stability classes. With simple metal cations such as the alkali metals the order of anion stability is  $HF_2^ H_2F_3 > H_3F_4^{-3}$ , which is what would be expected if the  $H_3F_4^-$  ion is either a linear extension of the  $H_2F_3^-$  ion, which is known<sup>4</sup> to have two hydrogen fluoride moieties hydrogen bonded to a central fluoride ion, or is a less likely species with three hydrogen fluorides hydrogen bonded to a single fluoride. On the other hand, with hydrogenbonding cations such as hydronium<sup>5</sup> or ammonium<sup>6</sup> the order of anion stability is  $HF_2^- > H_3F_4^-$ , and the  $H_2F_3^-$ 

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