Infrared Spectra of the H₂S--HF and H₂Se--HF Hydrogen-Bonded Complexes in Solid **Argon**

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Several hydrogen bonded complexes of $H_2S + HF$ and $H_2Se + HF$ have been prepared by condensing the argon-diluted reagents at 12 K. Strong ν_s (H-F) stretching modes were observed at 3652 and 3655 cm⁻¹ for the 1:1 H₂S--HF and H₂Se--HF complexes, respectively, suggesting comparable hydrogen-bond strengths. The observation of two v₁(H-F) librational modes is consistent with pyramidal structures for the complexes. A stable reverse complex HF--HSH is characterized by a single $\nu(H-F)$ absorption at 3799 cm⁻¹, and a H₂S- -(HF)₂ complex is characterized by $\nu(H_b-F)$ and $\nu(H_a-F)$ modes above and below the single $\nu_s(H-F)$ mode of the H₂S--HF complex. Several other 2:1 and 1:2 base + HF complexes have been identified by strong absorptions in the HF stretching region.

Introduction

The H_2O -HF and H_2S -HF heterodimers are of interest in the study of hydrogen bonding because of the difference in valence angles and hybridization in the base monomers (\angle HOH = 105° and \angle HSH = 92°).¹ The H₂O--HF complex has been studied in the gas phase by infrared and microwave spectroscopy²⁻⁴ and in an argon matrix by infrared spectroscopy.⁵ The microwave studies have established a pyramidal structure for the complex with a $46 \pm 8^{\circ}$ angle between the HOH mirror plane and HF axis and a low barrier to inversion. Matrix infrared spectra of hydrogen-bonded complexes provide complementary information to the microwave studies. The matrix spectrum of the H_2O + HF complex revealed a strong, sharp ν_s (H-F stretch) absorption at 3554 cm⁻¹ and a pair of $\nu_1(H-F$ libration) quartets beginning at 753 and 636 cm-', which characterize a strong pyramidal complex with librational modes split by inversion doubling.

The second-row base H2S- -HF complex has **been** identified in two microwave studies, and a right-angle pyramidal structure has **been** establiihed.6.' Complementary argon **matrix** infrared spectra have been recorded for H_2S --HF and the third-row base H_2S e--HF complex, and the results will be described below.

Experimental Section

The apparatus and techniques have been described previously.^{8,9} Spectra were recorded **on** a Nicolet 7199 Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectrometer between 4000 and 400 cm-l at I-cm-I resolution with ± 0.3 -cm⁻¹ accuracy. Spectra for several DF experiments were recorded to the nearest wavenumber **on** a Beckman IR-12 grating spectrometer between 4000 and 200 cm-l in order to observe lower frequency librational modes.

Hydrogen fluoride and hydrogen sulfide (Matheson) were frozen at 77 K and evacuated to remove volatile impurities and then expanded into well-passivated stainless-steel cans. The preparation of deuterium fluoride has **been** described elsewhere.* Hydrogen selenide was synthesized by dripping a 30% HC1 solution onto a finely divided sample of ZnSe (Aldrich); the vapor produced was dried on CaCl₂ and purified by condensation and vacuum distillation at 77 K. Deuterium sulfide was prepared by condensing H2S **on** 2 mL of D20 in a Pyrex tube and allowing exchange for 24 h. The D₂S samples (approximately 10% H₂S, 30% HDS, and 60% D₂S as observed from ν_s intensities) were condensed at 77 K, evacuated, and expanded into a deuterated stainless-steel can. Deuterium selenide (10% H₂Se, 30% HDSe, 60% D₂Se) was prepared in a similar manner.

The samples were diluted with argon to $Ar/reagent = 100/1$ to lOOO/l mixtures. The base and acid argon mixtures were simultaneously

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condensed onto a 9-12 K CsI window at 2-5 mmol/h rates for up to 20 h, and a spectrum was recorded. The samples were annealed several times between 16 and 26 K for 10 min and recooled, and spectra were recorded after each warming cycle to monitor the diffusion and association of molecular species.

Results

A total of 21 experiments were performed with hydrogen sulfide, selenide, and fluoride and the deuterated acids. The following results are representative of the data collected in several experiments.

 $H₂S + HF$. A matrix was formed by codeposition of 30 mmol from each of $Ar/H_2S = 400/1$ and $Ar/HF = 200/1$ samples. After deposition an FTIR spectrum was recorded and compared to **matrix** spectra of separate H2S and HF samples. This spectrum, shown in Figure la, revealed several new product absorptions: a weak absorption at 3799 cm⁻¹ labeled R $(A =$ absorbance unit $= 0.03$), a strong sharp band labeled ν_s at 3652 ($A = 0.70$), a weak band at 870 cm⁻¹ labeled 2ν ₁, a band at 508 cm⁻¹ with a 498-cm⁻¹ shoulder, and an absorption at 481 cm⁻¹ ($A = 0.05$) with a weaker satellite at 486 cm⁻¹ (labeled ν_1). The bands labeled N, D, W, and T are present in HF experiments and are due to N_2 -HF, $(HF)_2$, H₂O, and $(HF)_3$, respectively.¹⁰ The matrix was annealed to 16 K for 10 min and recooled to 9 K; the ν_s and ν_1 bands increased by one-third, and the R band was unchanged. Finally the sample was annealed to 24 K, and the resulting spectrum is shown in Figure lb. The *v* bands observed **on** deposition tripled in intensity, the R band increased 5-fold, and several new absorptions were observed at 3714 ($A = 0.13$) and 3563 ($A = 0.40$) labeled 3, at 3513 ($A = 0.07$), and at 3489, 3380, 3282, and 3150 **an-'. In** the low-frequency region new absorptions labeled 3 were observed at 554, 534, 468, and 457 cm⁻¹. Several experiments with $Ar/H₂S$ concentrations of between 100/1 to 200/1 were performed. The absorptions with labels ν_s , ν_l , and $2\nu_l$ were observed with the same relative intensities as observed in the experiment just described. The groups of absorptions with labels *R* and 3 were also observed with constant relative intensities. The band at 3515 cm-I was much more intense in the more concentrated experiments. Several weak bands not observed in the less concentrated experiments were seen at 575 ($A = 0.027$), 599, and 604 cm⁻¹. The absorptions observed in the $H_2S + HF$ experiments are collected in Table I.

 $H_2S + DF$. Argon-diluted H_2S was codeposited with a 70% DF-enriched mixture; the DF stretching region was complicated by the presence of H_2S monomer and polymer stretching ab**sorptions.** The more intense bands observed in the HF experiments were again present, and several new product absorptions specific to DF were observed at 2831, 2729, 2688 $(A = 1.0)$, and 2632 cm-'. The matrix was annealed to 24 K, and the spectrum is shown in Figure 2a; the strong absorption labeled ν , at 2688 cm⁻¹ increased only slightly in intensity. The band at 2831 cm⁻¹ labeled R approximately doubled while the two bands labeled 3 at 2729 and 2632 cm^{-1} ($A = 0.60$) increased 6-fold.

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Table I. Cocondensation Product Absorptions (cm-') for Hydrogen or Deuterium Sulfide and HF or DF Hydrogen-Bonded Complexes

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Figure 1. Fourier transform infrared spectra of $Ar/H₂S = 400/1$ and Ar/HF = **200/1** samples: (a) after cocondensation at **12** K; (b) after annealing to 24 K for 10 min and recooling to 12 K. Peaks: $N =$ N_2 -HF, $D = (HF)_2$, $M = N_2$ - $(HF)_2$, $W = H_2O$, $T = (HF)_3$.

A matrix was prepared with **50%** DF to study the low-frequency region, and the **spectrum** is shown in Figure 2b. The **bands** specific to HF at **508** cm-I with a weaker satellite at **500** cm-' and the more intense absorptions at 481 cm⁻¹ ($A = 0.48$) with a satellite at **486** cm-l were again observed; a similar group of absorptions was observed at **407** cm-I with a weaker satellite at **400** cm-I and at 378 cm^{-1} with a weaker shoulder at 384 cm^{-1} . The H_2S --DF absorptions are listed in Table I.

D2S + **HF and DF.** Similar experiments were performed with $D₂S$ and HF; the spectrum from a sample prepared with $Ar/D₂S$ $= 150/1$ and $Ar/HF = 300/1$ mixtures is shown in Figure 3. Three partially resolved bands were observed at **3652, 3648,** and **3646** cm-I under high resolution; the dominant **3646-cm-'** band $(A = 1.0)$ is labeled ν_s in the figure. Several other new product absorptions were observed at **3791** cm-I labeled **R,** at **3713** and 3556 cm^{-1} labeled 3, and at 856 cm^{-1} labeled $2\nu_1$, and a pair of absorptions at 496 $(A = 0.14)$ and 475 cm⁻¹ $(A = 0.26)$ labeled *vl,* were also observed. The matrix was annealed to **26** K, and a spectrum revealed a 5% increase for the ν_s , ν_l , and $2\nu_l$ absorptions, a 2-fold increase in the **3791-cm-1** (R) absorption, and a 5-fold increase in the **3713-** and **3556-cm-I** bands **(3).** This warm-up

Figure 3. FTIR spectrum of Ar/D₂S (=150/1) + Ar/HF (=300/1) samples after cocondensation at **12** K.

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also produced several new product absorptions similar to those observed from 3100 to 3500 cm⁻¹ in the H_2S + HF experiments. Other samples were prepared with $DF + HF$ mixtures, and the results are collected in Table I.

H2Se + **HF and DF.** The spectrum of a matrix formed by codepositing argon-diluted samples of H_2 Se and HF is shown in Figure 4a. New product absorptions not observed in matrix H₂Se or HF spectra include a completely absorbing band labeled *u,* at **3655** cm⁻¹, an absorption at 3787 cm⁻¹ ($A = 0.23$) labeled **R**, and two weak absorptions labeled **3** at **3719** and **3595** cm-I. In the low-frequency region new absorptions were observed at **834** cm-' $(A = 0.04)$ labeled $2\nu_1$ and a doublet labeled ν_1 at 461 and 479

Figure 4. FTIR spectra: (a) $Ar/H_2Se = 200/1$ and Ar/HF samples after cocondensation at 12 K; (b) Ar/D_2 Se = 200/1 and Ar/HF samples after cocondensation at **12** K.

Table **11.** Cocondensation Product Absorptions (cm-I) for **H, Se** or **D,Se** and **HF** or **DF** Hydrogen-Bonded **Complexes** in Solid Argon

	$H, Se + HF$ $D, Se + HF$ $H, Se + DF$		assent
3783	3779	2811	$\nu(H-F)$, $HF-HSeH$
3719	3718	2731	$\nu(H_b-F), 1:2^a$
3655	3651	2691	$v_{\rm g}$
3595	3590	2650	$\nu(H_a-F)$, 1:2 ^{<i>a</i>}
3499	3492		$\nu(H-F)$, 2:1 ^b
3311	3308		$\nu(H-F)^c$
3192	3188		$\nu(H-F)^c$
834	820		$2\nu_1$
479, 461	471.456	381, 359	v1

^{*a*} **H**₂Se- **-H_a**-F- -H_b-F complex like 3. ^{*b*} H₂Se- -H-F- -HSeH complex. ^{*c*} Higher order $(H_2Se)(HF)_x$ complex.

cm-I. Annealing the matrix to 24 K produced a 10% increase in the above bands, a 2-fold growth in the R absorption, and a 6-fold growth in the bands labeled 3. Experiments with **DF** and H,Se gave **DF** counterparts for the above product bands, which are collected in Table **11.**

A spectrum of a matrix prepared with D_2 Se + HF is shown in Figure 4b. Important new product absorptions were observed at 3651 cm⁻¹ (completely absorbing, labeled ν_s), at 3777 cm⁻¹ labeled R, at 3718 and 3589 cm⁻¹ labeled 3, and at 821 cm⁻¹ (2 ν ₁), and a doublet labeled v_i was also observed at 455 ($A = 0.35$) and 470 cm^{-1} . The matrix was annealed, and growth in the aforementioned absorptions and production of new product **species** were similar to that observed in the H_2 Se + HF experiment. Results from all selenide experiments are listed in Table **11.**

Discussion

The products of the H_2S and H_2Se + HF cocondensation reactions will be identified, assignments will be made, and spectral information on bonding and structure in the product complexes will be discussed.

Identification. The new product absorptions listed in Tables I and **I1** were not observed in argon matrix samples of hydrogen sulfide, hydrogen selenide, or hydrogen fluoride; these bands were produced with high yields when the reagents were mixed during condensation and when the matrices were annealed. The product bands can be separated into several groups on the basis of concentration studies and sample annealing.

The strong ν_s band in the high-frequency region and weaker bands $2\nu_1$ and ν_1 bands in the low-frequency region are the major product absorptions for the $H_2S + HF$ cocondensation reaction. These bands were produced with the largest yields upon reagent deposition and increased on annealing the more dilute samples but decreased slightly on warming the more concentrated samples. This behavior is appropriate for a 1:1 complex. The ν_s band is due to an **H-F** stretching fundamental, as revealed from the large DF shift, and small displacements in the ν_s and ν_l bands on D_2S substitution show that H_2S is also involved in the complex. The $2\nu_1$ and ν_1 absorptions display constant intensities relative to the ν_{s} band upon sample annealing, which indicates that they are also associated with the major product species **1.**

The weak sharp band labeled R at 3799 cm^{-1} was observed in all experiments **upon** reagent condensation and increased slightly **on** sample annealing, which is also consistent with a 1:l complex. The large **DF** shifts and small shifts with **D2S** indicate an **H-F** stretching fundamental and the involvement of H₂S in the complex. The substantially smaller displacement of this band from the **HF** fundamental¹⁰ at 3919 cm⁻¹ relative to the $v_s(H-F)$ absorption suggests a different type of complex **2.** Such a reverse complex has been observed previously in H_2O + HF and HCN + HF cocondensation reactions.^{4,11}

The product absorptions labeled 3 appeared in dilute experiments after reagent condensation and increased markedly with constant relative intensities upon sample warming. One of the product bands is displaced more and one displaced less than the single $\nu_{\rm s}$ (H-F) mode of product species 1. This indicates one stronger and one weaker **H-F** bond in the higher order complex as found for the analogous H₂O--HF and H₂O--(HF), complexes.⁴ These bands are therefore identified as the 1:2 H_2S - $(HF)_2$ complex 3.

The 3513 -cm⁻¹ absorption was weak in dilute H_2S experiments and very strong in concentrated experiments, which indicates that more than one H₂S molecule is involved in the complex. This band was the only product that showed a higher order dependence **on H2S** concentration. The observation of a single absorption in the **H-F** stretching region displaced substantially more than the single *v,* band of the 1:l complex indicates one weaker **H-F** bond in this complex. The 3513-cm^{-1} absorption is therefore assigned to the 2:l complex **H2S- -HF- -HSH** with the **HF** submolecule in the middle position.

The sharp product absorptions between 3100 and 3500 cm^{-1} in Table I were only observed after sample warming and decreased in intensity in more dilute **HF** experiments. These absorptions are most likely due to 1:2 and 1:3 $(H_2S)(HF)_x$ reaction products where the H₂S and HF molecules may act as both an acid and a base.

H2S + **HF Assignments.** The strong, sharp 3652-cm-I absorption is assigned to the $\nu_s(H-F$ stretching) fundamental in complex **1** based **on** the near agreement of the **HF/DF** = $3652/2688 = 1.359$ ratio with the 3919/2876 = 1.363 ratio for the diatomic molecule in solid argon¹⁰ and the small red-shifts to 3648 and 3646 cm-l for the **HDS- -HF** and **D2S--HF** complexes, respectively. The low-frequency doublet with a strong component at 481 cm^{-1} and a weaker component at 508 cm^{-1} is

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assigned to the two H-F librational modes, ν ₁, one in the plane bisecting the H_2S bond angle and the other perpendicular to this plane. The two weak satellite bands at 498 and 486 cm⁻¹ are presumably due to matrix site splittings. The observation of two different librational modes with different $\nu_1(HF)/\nu_1(DF)$ ratios of $508/406 = 1.251$ and $481/377 = 1.276$ is consistent with the pyramidal structure determined from the microwave spectrum, which requires asymmetry in the librational potential function. A similar asymmetry was **observed for** HzO- -HF, which exhibited a larger separation between the ν ¹ modes. The small displacements in both v_1 modes with D₂S substitution and the different 496/380 $= 1.305$ and $475/363 = 1.308$ ratios suggest minor coupling between ν_1 and the lower frequency bending mode of the complex. The weak broader absorption at 870 cm^{-1} is assigned to a librational overtone $2\nu_1$ based on the large red-shift to 856 cm⁻¹ for D;S--HF. This is probably the overtone for the stronger librational mode at 481 cm⁻¹ with the other overtone too weak to observe in our experiments. In experiments with $(CH_3)_2S + HF$ a strong librational mode doublet with one strong and one weak component was observed along with strong and weak overtone components.¹² The low $\nu_1(HF)/\nu_1(DF)$ ratios and the $2\nu_1/\nu_1$ ratios of 1.809 and 1.802 for H_2S -HF and D_2S -HF indicate anharmonicity in the librational potential function. No base submolecule modes were observed for the H_2S -HF complex owing to the complicated matrix spectrum for H_2S and $(H_2S)_n$ species.¹³

The 3799 -cm⁻¹ band is assigned to the H-F stretching fundamental in the reverse complex **2** on the basis of an HF/DF ratio of 1.342 and the shift to 3791 cm^{-1} in the analogous HF-DSD complex. The increase in intensity observed on warming indicates a stable complex in contrast to the HF--HOH⁴ and HF-HCN¹¹ species, which decreased on annealing. The larger red-shift observed for HF- -HSH indicates a much stronger complex than with HF--HOH and is consistent with the lower proton affinity for the SH- subunit (350 kcal/mol for SH- and 390 kcal/mol for OH⁻),¹⁴ which also accounts for the increased complex stability.

The absorptions at 3714 and 3563 cm^{-1} , which increased strongly in intensity on sample warming, are assigned to H-F stretching modes of the 1:2 complex **3** on the basis of their HF/DF ratios, $3714/2729 = 1.361$ and $3563/2632 = 1.354$. Clearly, the addition of the second HF molecule in 3 allows a stronger H_2S-H_a hydrogen bond to be formed due to the fluoride ion affinity of the H_b -F submolecule. Likewise, the H_b -F mode in complex 3 is reduced from the 3825-cm⁻¹ value for $(HF)_2^{10}$ due to the cooperative effect of H_2S at proton H_a in the complex. Therefore, the 3714-cm⁻¹ absorption is assigned to H_b-F and the 3563-cm⁻¹ band to H_a-F . The smaller 1-cm⁻¹ shift for H_b-F to 3713 cm⁻¹ in D₂S--(HF)₂ and larger 7-cm⁻¹ shift to 3556 cm⁻¹ for H_a-F support the assignments given for these modes. The absorptions at 554 and 534 cm⁻¹ above the ν_1 doublet of 1 and at 468 and 457 cm^{-1} below the doublet are assigned to librational modes ν_i of the H_a-F and H_b-F submolecules in 3, on the basis of appropriate changes in intensity after annealing.

The band at 3513 cm^{-1} , which grows in strongly on warming in more concentrated H_2S experiments, is assigned to the H-F stretching mode in the H_2S -HF--HSH complex. Displacement of this band below the Ha-F mode of complex **3** is expected due to the greater acidity of HSH relative to H_b-F , which supports a slightly stronger H_2S -HF hydrogen bond.

The strong product bands at 3489, 3425, 3380, 3282, and 3150 cm-', which grew in on matrix annealing, are due to higher order complexes, most likely $(H_2S)(HF)_x$. The large displacement of these absorptions is indicative **of** stronger hydrogen bonding and weaker H-F bonds. The low-frequency absorptions at 575, 599, and 604 cm⁻¹, which were observed in more concentrated experiments, are also assigned to these complexes, on the basis of their positions above the librational modes of **1** and **3.**

 H_2 Se + **HF** Assignments. The strong absorption at 3655 cm⁻¹ is assigned to the $\nu_s(H-F)$ stretching mode of the H₂Se--HF complex **4,** on the basis of an HF/DF ratio of 3655/2691 = 1.358

and the small red-shift to 3651 cm^{-1} for D₂Se- -HF. The bands at 479 and 461 cm-' are assigned to the in-plane and out-of-plane librational modes ν_1 again based on large DF and small D₂Se shifts. The HF/DF ratios of $479/381 = 1.257$ and $461/359 = 1.284$ imply asymmetry and anharmonicity in the librational potential functions. The weak broad absorption at 834 cm^{-1} is assigned to the overtone $2\nu_1$ of the strong 461-cm⁻¹ ν_1 mode based on the large red-shift to 820 cm⁻¹ in D₂Se--HF. The weaker $2\nu_1$ component was not observed. Anharmonicity in the librational **po**tential function is further indicated by the $2\nu_1/\nu_1$ ratio of 1.809.

The band at 3783 cm^{-1} is assigned to the H-F stretching mode in the reverse complex HF--HSeH on the basis of an HF/DF ratio of $3783/2811 = 1.346$. The red-shift of the HF stretching mode from isolated HF (3919 cm⁻¹) is greater than that observed for the HF-HSH reverse complex, which is expected on the basis of the differences in intrinsic acidity of the H_2 Se and H_2 S submolecules (PA(HSe⁻) = 339, PA(HS⁻) = 350 kcal/mol).¹⁴

The absorptions at 3719 and 3595 cm⁻¹ are assigned to the H_b-F and Ha-F modes, respectively, of the 1 **:2** complex analogous to **3,** on the basis of appropriate HF/DF ratios and their proximity above and below the single ν_s absorption of the H₂Se--HF complex. The assignments for the other H_2 Se + HF reaction product bands, which grew in strongly on warm-up, are analogous to those given for H_2S + HF with small shifts due to the differences in the intrinsic basicities or acidities of H_2 Se and H_2 S; these are collected in Table **11.**

Bonding Trends. The magnitude of the displacement of the ν_s (H-F) stretching mode from the impurity-induced HF Q-branch value of 3919 cm⁻¹ in solid argon¹⁰ (Δv_s) gives an indication of the strength of the hydrogen bond in a given complex. Stronger bases, as measured by gas-phase proton affinities, should form stronger hydrogen bonds to HF. The base molecules H_2S and H₂Se have proton affinities 4 and 5 kcal/mol, respectively,¹⁵ higher than the base H_2O whose proton affinity has been recently established as 167 ± 2 kcal/mol.¹⁵ The magnitude of Δv_s shows that H_2O forms a substantially stronger complex with HF than HzS and H2Se and that the HzS complex **1** is slightly stronger than the analogous H_2 Se complex. This trend is in agreement with ab initio calculations¹⁶ and opposite to that expected from proton affinities of the bases.15 This indicates that the relative stabilities of H_3O^+ and H_3S^+ are not good predictors of the relative stabilities of H_2O --HF and H_2S --HF, which may arise from limited ability of the hydrogen in HF to polarize the larger lone electron pair.

The librational modes also provide information about the complexes. The decrease in ν_1 values in the H₂O--HF, H₂S--HF, and H_2 Se--HF series demonstrates a decrease in rigidity of the complexes in this order. The ν_1 mode separation also decreases from 100 to 27 to 18 cm^{-1} in this series of complexes, which indicates a decrease in asymmetry of the lone pair orbital forming the hydrogen bond; the more diffuse 4p orbital on Se **is** more nearly symmetric than the 3p orbital on S. The ν_1 mode separations for **1** and **4** are comparable to that found for the C_2H_4 -HF π complex 17 and are consistent with the pyramidal complex struc $ture.^{6,7,18}$

The red-shifts of $\nu_s(H-F)$ H-F stretching fundamentals observed with increasing base proton affinities usually occur with

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an increase in ν_1 fundamentals and characterize a more rigidly bound hydrogen-bonded complex. The strengths of the H_2S -HF and H2Se -HF hydrogen **bonds** are similar **on** the basis of almost equal values of Δv_s , but the 30-cm⁻¹ decrease in v_1 modes for the $H₂$ Se complex relative to $H₂$ S characterizes a less rigidly bound complex. The same trend of decreasing complex rigidity for hydrogen bonds of similar strengths has **been** observed for the HF complexes of the increasingly heavier CH_3Cl , CH_3Br , and CH_3I bases.I9 The trend of increasing stability of the reverse complexes HF--HAH for A = 0, S, and Se **on** the basis of displacement of the $\nu(H-F)$ fundamental follows the strength of the HAH acids as determined by proton affinities¹⁴ of AH⁻ but is not in accord with calculated dimerization energies¹⁶ for this series of reverse complexes. It is possible that larger basis sets will be required for more accurate calculations involving H_2S and H_2Se .

The separation between the $\nu_s(H-F)$ stretching mode of the 1:1 complexes (1) and the $\nu(H_a-F)$ stretching mode of the 1:2 complex **(2)** decreases in the order H_2O (295 cm⁻¹)⁴ > H_2S (89 cm⁻¹) H2Se *(60* cm-I). The difference **is** most significant between H_2S - HF and H_2Se - HF because of the equally strong 1:1 complex hydrogen bonds of these complexes. We would expect equal displacements of the H_a -F modes due to the fluoride ion affinity of the H_b-F submolecule in a chainlike complex. The displacement

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of H_a -F depends on the strength of the base-- H_a hydrogen bond that in turn depends **on** the distance between the base and the Ha atom. This implies a decrease in the polarizing strength of proton H_a in H_a –F when confronted by the more diffuse lone pairs of the heavier bases.

Conclusions

The cocondensation of $Ar/H₂S$ or $Ar/H₂Se$ with Ar/HF samples at 12 **K** has revealed several different hydrogen-bonded complexes. The 1:1 H_2S --HF complex is characterized by a strong $\nu_{s}(H-F)$ stretching mode at 3652 cm⁻¹ and two librational modes at 508 and 481 cm⁻¹. The 3655-cm⁻¹ value of ν_s for H₂Se--HF indicates an equally strong hydrogen bond, which is expected **on** the basis of gas-phase proton affinities. Low $2\nu_1/\nu_1$ ratios and decreasing librational fundamentals for H_2S --HF and H_2S e--HF indicate decreasing complex rigidity and anharmonic librational potential functions. **A** sharp absorption at 3799 cm-I, which increased **on** matrix annealing, characterizes a stable HF- -HSH reverse complex. Several other complexes, including a $1:2$ H₂S- $-(HF)_2$ chainlike complex and a 2:1 H_2S --H-F--HSH complex, have been identified.

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Light-Induced Ligand-Substitution Reactions. Reaction between the Chloropentaamminecobalt(111) Ion and Ethylenediaminetetraacetate by Irradiation with Visible Light of Aqueous Solutions Containing the Tris(2,2'-bipyridine)ruthenium(II) Ion

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The ligand-substitution reaction between the chloropentaamminecobalt(III) ion, $[CoCl(NH₃)₄]²⁺$, and ethylenediaminetetraacetate, which denotes all the forms of edta, i.e., edta⁴⁻, Hedta³⁻, H₂edta²⁻, etc., was induced by irradiation with visible light of aqueous solutions of acetate buffer (pH 4.75) containing the tris(2,2'-bipyridine)ruthenium(II) ion, $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{2+}$, and $[Co(eda)]^-$ was efficiently produced, where [Ru(bpy)]^2 acts as an inductor and as a photocatalyst. The ligand-substitution reaction constitutes a chain reaction containing a cycle of $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{2+}$ and $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{3+}$, where the reaction is initiated by the reaction between the photoexcited complex $\text{[Ru(bpy),]}^{2+\ast}$ and $\text{[CoCl(NH_3),]}^{2+}$. The rate of the formation of [Co(cdata)]^- is described essentially by
a rate law of d $\text{[Co(cdata)]^-}/dt = I_a \Phi k_q \text{[CoCl(NH_3),]}^{2+} / \{k_0 + k_q \text{[CoCl(NH_3),]}^{2+} \}$, where I_a rate of $\text{[Ru(bpy)_3]}^{2+\ast}$, k_q is the quenching rate constant of $\text{[Ru(bpy)_3]}^{2+\ast}$ by $\text{[CoCl(NH₃)}_5]^{2+\ast}$, and k_q , the quenching constant of $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{2+\ast}$ due to the light emission and to the thermal energy loss. The reaction mechanisms and the rate law are verified by the results obtained. The bimolecular quenching constants k_q are determined by means of the kinetic experiments for the light-induced ligand-substitution reaction and are compared to the *k,* values that are obtained by measurements of luminescence of [Ru(bpy),] *2+*.*

Although the abbreviation EDTA is generally for ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, Le., H4edta, we **use,** throughout this paper, EDTA for all the forms of H₄edta, H₃edta⁻, H₂edta²⁻, Hedta³⁻, and edta⁴⁻. It is known that the oxidative quenching of the photoexcited ruthenium(II) complex $\left[\text{Ru(bpy)}_{3}\right]^{2+\ast}$ (bpy = 2,2'-bipyridine) by $[CoCl(NH_3)_5]^{2+}$ produces $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{3+}$ and $[CoCl(NH₃)₅]$ ⁺, and that the latter species dissociates rapidly to $Co²⁺_{ao}, Cl⁻, and NH₃ (or NH₄⁺),^{1–3} in which $Co²⁺_{ao}$ could form$ $[Co(edta)]^{2-}$ rapidly in an aqueous solution with acetate buffer (pH 4.75) if EDTA is present in the reaction mixture. The $[Ru(bpy)₃]$ ³⁺ ion is so a strong oxidant as to oxidize $[Co(edta)]^{2-}$ to [Co(edta)]-. Therefore, we could design an experiment for the light-induced substitution reaction between $[CoCl(NH₃)₅]^{2+}$ and EDTA by employing $[Ru(bpy)_3]^{2+}$ as a catalyst. This reaction can be briefly described as shown in Scheme I. **In** this paper

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Scheme I

we demonstrate that the proposed scheme operates well in an acetate buffer soluiton of pH 4.75, and the operation mechanisms are discussed.

Experimental Section

Chemicals. $[Ru(bpy)_3]Cl_2.6H_2O$ was prepared as described in the literature⁴ and recrystallized twice. $[CoCl(NH₃)₅]Cl₂$ was prepared as described in the literature⁵ and recrystallized twice. Disodium di-

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