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ABSTRACT<br>ESR STUDIES OF ALICYCLIC RADICALS IN ADAMANTANE<br>By<br>John Choo Wang Song

Solid solutions of a number of alicyclic compounds have been irradiated in solid solution in adamantane. The ESR spectra of the cyclic radicals produced are mostly isotropic and have been studied over as wide a temperature range as possible. These have been analyzed and the ESR parameters interpreted and compared with other information in the literature. The electronic and geometrical structures of the radicals have been deduced, as far as possible, from the nuclear hyperfine splittings and $g$ values. Radicals studied include hydrocarbon radicals (cyclopentyl, cyclopentenyl), substituted hydrocarbon radicals (1-hydroxycyclopentyl, l-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid, l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid, 1-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, l-cycloheptanecarboxylic acid) and cyclic ketone radicals (2-cyclopentanonyl, 2-cycloheptanonyl). Some heterocyclic oxygen and sulfur radicals (2-tetrahydrofuranyl, 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl, 2-tetrahydropyranyl, 2-tetrahydrothiopyrany1, 1,4-dioxanyl) and nitrogen radicals (1-pyrrolidinyl, 2-piperidiny1) have also been investigated. Some radicals were also found to give isotropic ESR spectra in the pure crystalline precursor and were included in this work (l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in
cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 1-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical in cyclopentanecarboxylic acid, 1-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid radical in cyclobutanecarboxylic acid).

Ring inversion in cyclic radicals can at present be studied only by ESR and one objective of this work was to obtain the barriers restricting ring inversion in cyclic radicals. Temperature dependent ESR spectra were observed for several of the radicals and values of $E_{a}$, the energy barrier restricting inversion, were evaluated for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl, 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, 2-tetrahydropyranyl and 1,4-dioxanyl, among the heterocyclic radicals, and also for 1 -cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical both in adamantane and in the self matrix, for l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in the self matrix, and for 2 -cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane. The values have been compared with values reported in the literature for radicals and with the barriers to inversion in comparable undamaged cyclic molecules as determined from NMR. The effects on ring inversion of introducing one and two $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ centers into the rings have been determined.

A computer program has been written for determining nuclear exchange rates from nuclear hyperfine splitting parameters and linewidths. The program requires the experimental relative intensities of second-derivative Gaussian lines within the region of temperature where the ring inversion rates are comparable to the inverse of the nuclear hyperfine splittings.

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## INTRODUCTION

Chemists have been interested in magnetic resonance spectroscopy
because of the variety of information of chemical interest which can be obtained from it. Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (NMR) has been particularly useful for the study of diamagnetic materials while electron spin resonance spectroscopy (ESR) requires the presence of unpaired electrons and so has been important in the study of paramagnetic substances. Since the discovery of ESR by Zavoisky, it has been applied by chemists to many areas of chemistry including the study of inorganic radicals, ${ }^{2}$ transition metal ions, ${ }^{3}$ organic radicals, ${ }^{4}$ and paramagnetic systems of biological origin. ${ }^{5}$ Although most organic and inorganic compounds are diamagnetic, a variety of free radicals may be obtained from them by chemical oxidation or reduction, or by irradiation with UV-visible light, $\gamma$-rays, $X$-rays or electrons.

Chemical information which may be obtained from a study of the ESR spectra of radicals includes identification of the radical species, electronic and geometrical structures of these species, and kinetic parameters such as rates of conformational changes. From rates of exchange measured as a function of temperature it is possible to obtain energy barriers restricting conformational changes and the accompanying entropy changes.

Samples for $E S R$ investigation may be single crystals, polycrystalline powders, solutions or gases. ESR spectra of gases
have only been interpreted for diatomic radicals and are generally too complex to be useful. The most information is obtained from the anisotropic spectra of single crystals studied as a function of orientation since both isotropic and anisotropic nuclear hyperfine interactions are obtained. ${ }^{6-9}$ Polycrystalline spectra are a superposition of single crystal spectra for all orientations; while they are often difficult to interpret, methods have been developed for obtaining ESR parameters from powder spectra. ${ }^{2}$

Although most information is obtained from single crystal ESR studies, single crystals are often hard to obtain and analysis of the spectra can be complicated. Lines in solids are usually broad and line shape analysis may be difficult where there are overlapping lines and unresolved hyperfine structure. As a result, there are relatively few studies of conformational changes, which depend on line shape analysis, in single crystals or powders.

Solution ESR spectra are simpler since only isotropic hyperfine interactions are observed if the tumbling rate of the radicals is large enough to completely average out the anisotropic hyperfine interactions. Radicals are often too short-lived in solution for ESR study but a number of techniques have been developed for obtaining good spectra in solution. Fessenden and Schuler ${ }^{10}$ generated steady-state concentrations of radicals inside the ESR cavity with a pulsed high energy electron beam and obtained excellent isotropic spectra of a variety of hydrocarbon radicals. Norman and co-workers ${ }^{11}$
used a rapid flow system in which two or more reactants are mixed in the ESR cavity to produce the desired radical. Kochi and Krusic ${ }^{12}$ generated the desired steady-state concentration of radicals by UVirradiation of a mixture of $t$-butyl peroxide with the precursor.

It is also possible to obtain isotropic ESR spectra of radicals in solids by various matrix isolation techniques since radical recombination is often slow in solids, particularly at low temperatures. Thus, Bennett and co-workers ${ }^{13}$ devised an ingenious rotating cryostat in which free radicals, generated chemically, are deposited on a cold rotating drum with an inert matrix such as camphane or xenon. By mixing the vapor of an appropriate organic halide with sodium vapor and co-depositing the mixture on the drum, a variety of radicals were made and the ESR spectra obtained. Within a certain temperature range, characteristic of the matrix, it was found that the radicals tumbled freely enough to give isotropic spectra but recombined slowly enough that good ESR spectra could be obtained. Other solid matrices which have since been used to trap radicals include germanium tetrachloride, ${ }^{14}$ sulfur hexafluoride, ${ }^{15}$ and various substances, such as urea, which form stable inclusion compounds. ${ }^{16}$

In the course of an attempt to prepare adamantyl radicals by irradiation of adamantane, Wood and Lloyd ${ }^{17}$ discovered that adamantane provided a useful solid matrix for obtaining isotropic spectra of organic free radicals. Adamantane $\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{18}\right)$ is a tricyclic hydrocarbon which is not easily damaged by high energy radiation. It is a 'plastic" crystal, sublimes even at room temperature, undergoes a change
of crystal structure from tetragonal to cubic at $208^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, 18,19$ and forms solid solutions with many organic compounds. When a solid solution of an appropriate precursor in adamantane is irradiated the adamantane does not appear to suffer radiation damage and the radicals obtained are those from damage to the precursor molecule. Within a temperature range from that corresponding to onset of rapid tumbling of the radicals (usually -60 to $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) to the temperature at which rapid decomposition of the radicals occurs, the ESR spectra of the radicals produced are isotropic. It is believed that the radicals are in substitutional rather than interstitial sites. ${ }^{17}$ Adamantane therefore provides an excellent medium for the study of conformational changes in radicals since a wide temperature range can be covered (as much as $-160^{\circ}$ to $+80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ using the Varian Temperature Controller), line widths tend to be reasonably narrow (2-5G) and interactions between the radical and host crystal are small. ${ }^{17}$ Where the radicals are stable at room temperature the solid solution of precursor in adamantane can be irradiated at room temperature, otherwise irradiation is carried out at low temperatures. In either case the ESR spectra are followed as a function of temperature and at each temperature the microwave power and the modulation amplitude are varied to separate, as far as possible, lines arising from different radicals. Below the transition temperature of adamantane $\left(208^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ the lines tend to broaden and the spectra become those of a polycrystalline material; these are sometimes difficult to interpret and have been analyzed in this work only when the anisotropic splittings are small. Studies of conformational changes in radicals trapped in an adamantane matrix have been reported ${ }^{20-22}$

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## HISTORICAL SURVEY

## I. Cyclic Organic Radicals

The ESR spectra of the alicyclic radicals, such as the cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl radicals, obtained by loss of a hydrogen atom (or other group) from the corresponding saturated hydrocarbon (or substituted hydrocarbon), were first observed after high energy irrradiation of polycrystalline solids ${ }^{23-26}$ at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ but the resolution was not very good. The first high-resolution isotropic ESR spectra of the cyclic radicals from cyclopropyl through cycloheptyl were obtained by electron irradiation of both liquid and polycrystalline solid precursors. ${ }^{10,27}$ Cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl radicals have also been obtained by reaction of sodium with the corresponding halide ${ }^{28}$ and by irradiation of the iodides. ${ }^{29}$ Cyclopentyl radical has been prepared in a cyclopentane-neohexane glass 30 and in a solid adamantane matrix. ${ }^{20}$ Cyclohexyl radical was observed in an adamantane matrix ${ }^{21}$ and in a clathrate-hydrate matrix. ${ }^{31}$

A number of hydrocarbon radicals with one or more substituents have been found to be stable and their ESR spectra observed. The series 1-hydroxycyclobutyl, 1-hydroxycyclopentyl, 1-hydroxycyclohexyl and 1-hydroxycyclooactyl was reported by Corvaja et al. ${ }^{32}$ and 3-aminocyclopentyl and 4-aminocyclohexyl by Norman et al. ${ }^{33}$ A particularly interesting series of l-carboxy radicals is obtained by irradiation of the salts of the cyclic acids, 34,35 the solid acids themselves, ${ }^{33-38}$ or the 1,1 -dicarboxylic acids; ${ }^{39}$ many are stable even at room temperature.

Irradiation of the cyclic halides appears to result in loss of the halogen except in the case of fluorocarbon halides which often give fluorine substituted cyclic radicals. ${ }^{10}$ A series of 1 -substituted cyclopentyl radicals was prepared by U.V. irradiation of 1,1'-azobis (1-X-cyclopentanes), ${ }^{40}$ where $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{CN}, \mathrm{CNO}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{OH}$ and H . The heterocyclic radicals obtained by loss of a hydrogen atom (or other group) from saturated heterocyclic compounds containing oxygen, nitrogen or sulfur atoms have been extensively studied by ESR and have been produced by a variety of techniques. ${ }^{41}$ The most stable radical is usually the one with the odd electron on the carbon adjacent to the heteroatom although other radicals are sometimes also observed.

The 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical has been obtained from tetrahydrofuran (THF) by reduction with $\mathrm{Ti}^{3+}$ in a chemical flow system, ${ }^{11}, 33$ by radiolysis with high energy electrons at low temperature, ${ }^{41}$ by UV photolysis in the presence of di-t-butylperoxide (DTBP), ${ }^{42,43}$ and by irradiation in an adamantane matrix. ${ }^{20}$ When 2-methyltetrahydrofuran is irradiated in an adamantane matrix more than one radical is obtained and their correct identification is still the subject of argument. 44,45 Dioxane yields only the dioxanyl radical. ${ }^{11,32,33,42,43}$ Tetrahydrothiophene gives the 2 -tetrahydrothiophenyl radical ${ }^{43}$ and thiodioxane the corresponding thiodioxanyl radical. ${ }^{32}$ The nitrogen heterocycles give more complex products since there is a hydrogen, or other group, on nitrogen which may be lost or damaged in addition to the expected ring damage. ${ }^{41}$

The abstraction of a hydrogen atom with hydroxyl radical derived from the interaction of $\mathrm{Ti}^{3+}$ ion and hydrogen peroxide in aqueous solution in a flow system has been used to generate a large number of cyclic radicals. $11,33,46,47$ Abstraction of a hydrogen atom with t-butoxyl radical derived from the photolysis of di-t-butyl peroxide in a solution of the precursor alone, or mixed with isopentane, ${ }^{12}$ has been widely used to produce cyclic radicals. $32,42,43,48$ Abstraction of a hydrogen atom from an alcohol or ether by photolysis in the presence of a ketone has also been used. ${ }^{49}$ The cyclic radicals from $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{5} \cdot$ through $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{11}$ • were prepared ${ }^{38}$ by photooxidation of the carboxylic acids in the presence of $\mathrm{Ce}(\mathrm{IV})$. Irradiation of the precursor in a solid adamantane matrix has been employed recently in a number of laboratories to produce both heterocyclic radicals $20,44,45,50-52$ and radicals from cyclic ketones. 22,53

In a number of cases more than one hydrogen atom is lost and a cyclic allylic-type radical results. Thus, irradiation of cyclopentane or a cyclopentyl halide in adamantane has been found in the present work to give as one of the products an allylic radical which could be $I$ or a more complex radical containing the grouping $-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-\mathrm{CH}-\dot{\mathrm{C}} \cdot \boldsymbol{-} \mathrm{CH}-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-$. An allylic radical formed as a radiation

product of cycloheptane in thiourea ${ }^{34}$ and the authors suggested that it was not cycloheptenyl but a complex radical resulting from reactions of the original radiation products. Allylic radicals have been observed as products of the irradiation of unsaturated compounds and the proton hyperfine splittings for these, $10,25,55-59$ and the related cyclohexadienyl type radicals, ${ }^{61,61}$ are well characterized. A number of cycloalkenyl radicals were produced by $\gamma$ irradiation of cyclic olefins in adamantane and the very well resolved ESR spectra provided proton hyperfine splittings for protons in various ring positions. ${ }^{62}$ A study of substituted cyclohexenyl radicals in adamantane has also been made. ${ }^{63}$ Analogous heterocyclic radicals have been identified in $\gamma$-irradiated furoic acid and thiophene-2-carboxylic acid. ${ }^{64}$ The oxidation of cyclic $\alpha$-diketones has yielded a series of cycloalkanesemidiones, ${ }^{65}$ and the reduction of cyclic ketones a series of cyclic ketyls, ${ }^{66}$ in both of which the odd electron is on oxygen, and ring inversion in these has been studied by ESR.

## II. Rates of Conformational Change from ESR Spectroscopy

The different possible ring conformations for common ring systems, their relative energies and the rates of interconversion between them have been extensively investigated and the subject is dealt with in modern organic chemistry textbooks ${ }^{67}$ and monographs. ${ }^{68}$ Barriers hindering interconversion between conformers have been determined by NMR for a number of ring compounds and the subject has been reviewed. ${ }^{69}$ The NMR method does not give experimental barriers
when these are smaller than about $5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ but microwave and infrared spectroscopy are useful for the study of lower barriers. ${ }^{70}$

The ESR spectra of a number of cyclic radicals show lineshape changes with change of temperature and these can be used to determine rates of interconversion between conformers in the range $10^{5}-10^{9} \mathrm{~Hz}$ and barriers below about $10 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. Linewidth effects in ESR spectroscopy, and their application in studying conformation changes, have been reviewed. ${ }^{\text {71-73 }}$ A detailed study of cyclohexyl radical includes a mathematical treatment for the case of Gaussian lineshapes. ${ }^{27}$ Ring motions in the 2-cyclohexanonyl radical have also been studied by ESR and details of the analysis of the spectra given. ${ }^{22}$

The most stable form of cyclohexane itself is the chair form in which the angle strains, torsional strains and Van der Waals strains are minima. Conversion from one chair form to the equivalent one requires that the molecule go through less stable conformations and the energy relationships among these are shown in Fig. 1. The activation parameters for the chair-chair interconversion have been measured by NMR spectroscopy ${ }^{69}$ and are $\Delta H^{\#}=9.1 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, $\Delta G^{\ddagger}=10.6 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ at $-67^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and $\Delta \mathrm{S}^{\ddagger}=-5.8 \pm 0.4 \mathrm{eu}$. In cyclohexyl radical the three atoms bonded to the ring carbon atom bearing the odd electron must be almost planar since the carbon-13 hyperfine splitting ${ }^{74}$ is only about 41 G , the same within experimental error as observed in the planar methyl radical. The inversion barrier determined from the ESR spectra of cyclohexyl radical in a solid


Figure 1. Potential energy relationships among the conformations of cyclohexane.
cyclohexane matrix ${ }^{27}$ is $E_{d}=4.9 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. This must correspond to a chair-chair inversion (II-III) modified by the introduction of an $s p^{2}$ center at one carbon in the ring and is considerably smaller than


II


III
the barrier in cyclohexane itself. The introduction of a second sp ${ }^{2}$ center into the ring in 2-cyclohexanonyl radical (IV,V) lowers the observed inversion barrier further ${ }^{22,53}$ to $3.7 \pm 0.1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. The


IV

v
barrier for cyclohexene determined from NMR data ${ }^{69}$ is $5.4 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, rather similar to that found for cyclohexyl radical. The situation is quite different in the five-membered saturated ring series.

Cyclopentane undergoes rapid pseudorotation which is hindered by only
a small barrier. ${ }^{70,75,76}$ The barriers to interconversion between the different stable conformers of cyclopentane, tetrahydrofuran and tetrahydrothiophene are too small to measure by NMR.

When the radicals obtained by abstraction of a hydrogen atom are studied by ESR, linewidth changes are observed and from these it is possible to estimate barriers hindering interconversion between ring conformers. For cyclopentyl radical the barrier in a clathrate-hydrate matrix was estimated to be $2.7 \pm 0.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ while in adamantane it was $2.8 \pm 0.3 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. The corresponding barriers for the 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical in a clathrate-hydrate and in adamantane are $2.1 \pm 0.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $2.4 \pm 0.4 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, respectively. ${ }^{20,31}$ Not many substituted radicals have been studied but 1-cyclobutane-carboxylic acid radical shows a transformation between ring conformations hindered by a barrier of $1.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in the $\gamma$-irradiated sodium salt of cyclobutane-1-carboxylic acid ${ }^{35}$ whereas the same radical (but possibly with a proton on the carboxyl group) in 1,1-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid shows a barrier to ring inversion of only about $0.06 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole} .^{39}$ The barrier to ring inversion for 1-cyclopentane carboxylic acid radical in the sodium salt of cyclo-pentane-1-carboxylic acid has been reported as $0.37 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}{ }^{35}$ whereas for the same radical (possibly with a proton on the carboxyl group) in 1,1-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid the value is $E_{a}=3.70 \pm 0.05$ kcal/mole. ${ }^{39}$ Leung and Hunt mention in a footnote to their article ${ }^{37}$ on irradiated cyclohexanecarboxylic acid that the spectra indicated
an interconversion barrier of $4.9 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ for 1-cyclohexane carboxylic acid radical. Gilbert et al. ${ }^{33}$ report barriers for ring inversion in three heterocyciic radicals obtained by $\mathrm{Ti}^{3+}$ reduction of precursors in aqueous. acid solution, the values for the radicals from dioxane (VI), piperidine (VII) and morpholine (VIII) being $6.74 \pm 0.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, $7.27 \pm 0.6 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $9.25 \pm 0.9 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, respectively. Pratt and co-workers 22,53 have measured the barrier to inversion in 2-cyclo-

hexanonyl radical $(I V, V), \Delta H^{\ddagger}=3.7 \pm 0.1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, and several other substituted cyclohexanonyl radicals in adamantane. Gilbert and Trenwith ${ }^{33}$ report a much higher value for the barrier in 2-cyclohexanonyl radical in acid solution $\left(\Delta H^{\ddagger}=5.44 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}\right)$. .. Cyclohexenyl radical ${ }^{63}$ in adamantane inverts between two equivalent conformation ( $I X, X$ ) and the barrier is reported as $6.81 \pm 0.58 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5}\right.$ is above or below the plane formed by the other five carbon atoms but $H, H^{\prime}$ differ in IX and $X$ ). 63


Although ring inversion barriers have now been measured for a dozen or so radicals, it is difficult to draw any conclusion from the results since solle values are for the liquid phase while others are for radicals in a variety of solid matrices. Also, the analysis of the spectra to provide the inversion rates has differed and various approximation methods have been employed.

THEORY

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\text { I. Analysis of ESR Spectra }{ }^{77-79}
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The energy $W$ of a magnetic dipole $\bar{\mu}$ in a magnetic field $\bar{H}$ is given classically by the expression

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{W}=-\bar{\mu} \cdot \bar{H}=-\mu \mathrm{H} \cos \theta \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\theta$ is the angle between $\bar{\mu}$ and $\bar{H}$. Electron and nuclear magnetic moments are, however, quantized and the allowed energies $W_{i}$ are the solutions of the Schrödinger equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{H} \psi_{i}=W_{i} \psi_{i} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where A is the spin Hamiltonian operator and $\psi_{i}$ are the spin eigenfunctions.

For a single electron in a magnetic field $\bar{H}$, the spin Hamiltonian may be written $\hat{H}=g \beta H \hat{S}_{z}$, where $\hat{S}_{z}$ is the operator for the $z$ component of the spin and $z$ is the direction of quantization $H$. The spin eigenfunctions for the electron are $|\alpha\rangle$ and $|\beta\rangle$ and the energy of transition between these two allowed spin states

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta \omega=g B H=h \nu \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

is the general resonance condition. The spectroscopic splitting factor $g$ is 2.0023 for the free electron but is altered when spin-orbit coupling becomes significant; the Bohr magneton $\beta=$ the/2mc $=9.273 \mathrm{x}$ $10^{-21}$ erg $G^{-1}$.

If a magnetic nucleus of spin $I$ interacts with an electron in an oriented radical (in a single crystal, for example), a more general spin Hamiltonian

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{H}=\beta \bar{H} \cdot \bar{g} \cdot \bar{S}+\bar{S} \cdot \overline{\bar{T}} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{I}}-g_{N} \beta_{N} \bar{H} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{I}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

may be necessary to give experimental energy states and transitions in agreement with obscrvations. The first term is the Zeeman energy term describing the interaction of the odd electron of spin $\bar{S}$ with the applied magnetic field, $\underset{g}{\bar{g}}$ is a second rank tensor and the Zeeman energy in a field of 3000 G is about 9 GHz . The second term describes the interaction of the odd electron with a nucleus of spin $\overline{\mathrm{I}}$. The hyperfine interaction tensor $\overline{\bar{T}}$ is a second rank tensor and hyperfine energies for protons in organic radicals usually fall in the range $0-50$ G. This term may be written

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{\mathrm{S}} \cdot \overline{\overline{\mathrm{~T}}} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{I}}=\mathrm{a} \overline{\mathrm{~S}} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{I}}-\mathrm{g} \beta \mathrm{~g}_{\mathrm{N}} \beta_{\mathrm{N}}\left[\frac{\overline{\mathrm{I}} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{~S}}}{\mathrm{r}^{3}}-\frac{3(\overline{\mathrm{I}} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{r}})(\overline{\mathrm{S} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{r}})}}{\mathrm{r}^{5}}\right], \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the isotropic hyperfine interaction a arises from the Fermi contact interaction and may be written

$$
\begin{equation*}
a=8 \pi / 3\left[g \beta g_{N} \beta_{N}\left|\psi_{0}\right|^{2}\right] \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\psi_{0}$ is the electron wavefunction evaluated at $r=0, r$ is the electronnucleus distance and $g_{N}, \beta_{N}$ are the nuclear $g$ factor and nuclear magneton, respectively. The second term on the right-hand side of Equation (5) is the electron dipole-nuclear dipole interaction term which may also be written as a second rank tensor $\overline{\bar{T}}{ }^{\prime}$, which must be traceless. If $\overline{\bar{T}}$
is diagonalized, $a$ is obtained from the sum of the diagonal elements

$$
\begin{equation*}
a=1 / 3\left(T_{x x}+T_{y y}+T_{z z}\right) \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the diagonal elements of $\overline{\overline{\mathrm{T}}}{ }^{\prime}$ are given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{ii}}^{\prime}=\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{a} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

When the radicals are able to tumble freely the dipole-dipole interaction is averaged to zero. This may be seen by averaging the dipole-dipole energy


Fig. 2. Interaction of electron and nuclear dipoles in a magnetic field $H$, where $r$ is the separation between the dipoles and $\theta$ is the angle between H and the electron-nucleus direction.

$$
\begin{equation*}
W=\left[\left(1-3 \cos ^{2} \theta\right) / r^{3}\right] \mu_{N z}{ }^{\mu} e z \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

over the surface of a sphere; then $\left\langle\cos ^{2} \theta\right\rangle=1 / 3$ and $w=0$. Hence, in solution, or in a solid where the radicals have sufficient motional freedom, only the Fermi contact term a is found experimentally. In a single crystal the dipolar tensor $\overline{\overline{\mathrm{T}}}$ ' is also found but ESR spectra must be obtained by rotating the crystal about three axes and taking spectra every few degrees.

The Fermi contact term a is related to the $s$ character of the odd electron orbital while the dipolar tensor $\overline{\overline{\mathrm{T}}}{ }^{\prime}$ depends on the magnitude and direction of the $p$ (or d) character of the odd electron orbital. Values of $\overline{\bar{T}}{ }_{2}$ lead to estimates of the fraction of an odd electron in outer $n p$ (or nd) orbitals of atoms in molecules since $\overline{\bar{T}}_{2}^{\prime}$ for occupancy by a single electron has been computed for various atoms from the wave functions.

The final term in Equation (4) is the nuclear Zeeman term. The energy of interaction of a proton with a field of 3200 G is 5.26 G so this term is often small compared to the hyperfine interaction and may then be neglected.

Solutions of the Schrodinger equation for radicals for which the spin Hamiltonian of Equation (4) is appropriate may be rather complex. However, the second and third terms are small compared to the first term in the magnetic fields commonly employed and we may then write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{H}=\hat{H}_{0}+\hat{H}^{\prime}, \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{H}_{0}=g \beta H \hat{S}_{z}+a \hat{S}_{z} \hat{I}_{z}+g_{N} \beta_{N} H I_{z} \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

is the unperturbed Hamiltonian with $z$ the direction of quantization, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{H}^{\prime}=(a / 2)\left(\hat{S}_{+} \hat{I}_{-}+\hat{S}_{-} \hat{I}_{+}\right)=\left(\hat{S}_{x} \hat{I}_{x}+\hat{S}_{y} \hat{I}_{y}\right) a \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

is the perturbation term - the off-diagonal matrix elements.

> Second-order perturbation theory then gives the approximate wave functions $\psi_{n}$ and energy states $E_{n}$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
& \psi_{n}=\phi_{n}-\sum_{m \neq n} \frac{\langle m| H^{\prime}|n\rangle}{\varepsilon_{m}-\varepsilon_{n}} \phi_{m} \\
& E_{n}=\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{n}+\langle n| \hat{H}^{\prime}|n\rangle-\sum_{m \neq n} \frac{\langle m| \hat{H}^{\prime}|n\rangle\langle n| \hat{H}^{\prime}|m\rangle}{\varepsilon_{m}-\varepsilon_{n}} \tag{13}
\end{align*}
$$

where the basis functions $\phi_{m}$ are eigenfunctions of $\hat{H}_{o}$ with zero-order energy values $\varepsilon_{m}$.

## II. Interpretation of Hyperfine Interaction Constants

Hyperfine interaction constants are directly related to the electronic and geometric structures of radicals. ESR data for a variety of organic radicals have been reported and nuclear hyperfine splittings found to depend on the type of radical ( $\sigma$ - or $\pi$-radical), the particular nucleus studied and its location relative to the odd-electron center(s) ${ }^{77-79}$ In the following sections present knowledge concerning radicals of the type studied in this thesis, in which the odd electron is centered on a carbon atom, is reviewed and the interpretation of hyperfine interactions discussed for $\alpha-, \beta$ - and $\gamma$-hydrogens, $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-fluorines, $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-chlorines, carbon-13 when it is the odd electron site, and nitrogen-14. The calculation of radical structures and of hyperfine interactions by CNDO/INDO methods is also reviewed briefly.
(a) $\alpha$-Proton Hyperfine Interactions

A detailed study of $\alpha$-proton hyperfine interactions was first made for the radical $\mathrm{H}-\dot{\mathrm{C}}(\mathrm{COOH})_{2}$ in irradiated single crystals of malonic acid. ${ }^{80}$ The diagonalized tensor for the $\alpha$-proton was found to be $\overline{\mathrm{T}}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=\left[\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{xx}}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{yy}}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{zz}}\right]=[-32.5,-21.7,-10.3] \mathrm{G}$, the isotropic interaction $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=-1 / 3[32.5+21.7+10.3]=-21.5 \mathrm{G}$ and the anisotropic portion of the interaction $\overline{\overline{\mathrm{T}}}{ }^{\prime}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=[-11.0,-0.2,+11.2] \mathrm{G}$. Some approximate calculations ${ }^{80-82}$ showed that the odd electron is almost $100 \%$ in a $2 \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{z}}$ orbital on the central carbon atom (the z axis is taken normal to the plane of the radical) and that the radical is planar. This type of radical is often called a $\pi$-electron radical even when not strictly planar. Although it might be expected that the isotropic
splitting would be zero, since the 2 p orbital has a nodal plane through the proton, an appreciable spin density is observed and this must arise from odd electron density which has been transferred to the $s$ orbitals of hydrogen. The sign of the interaction is negative which means that the net odd electron density on hydrogen has a spin opposite to that of the odd electron. This has been explained ${ }^{80}$ as resulting from spin polarization and the mechanism is illustrated in Fig. 3. The spin


Figure 3. Spin polarization in a $\pi$-electron radical with an $\alpha$-hydrogen substituent.
orientation of the odd electron in the $2 \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{z}}$ orbital on carbon is taken as positive. The electron of the bonding pair of the C-H bond which may be assigned to carbon tends to have the same spin by the Hond rule. The other bonding electron, which may be assigned to hydrogen, therefore tends to have a negative spin by the pauli exclusion principle. The excess negative spin is small, the fraction of an odd electron on hydrogen with negative spin usually being about $23 / 508$, or 0.04 , since the observed $\alpha$ proton hyperfine splitting is about -23 G for many $\pi$-electron radicals and the hydrogen atom itself shows a hes of 508 G . The abbrevia lion has = hyperfine splitting is used extensively in the literature and occasionally in this work.

McConnel1 ${ }^{81}$ suggested that as the fraction of odd electron $\rho_{-}$in the $2 p_{z}$ orbital of a $\pi$-electron radical decreased, the $\alpha$-proton hyperfine splitting $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)$ would decrease according to the semi-empirical rule:

$$
\begin{equation*}
a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=Q_{H} \rho_{\pi}, \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Q_{H}$ is a constant for a series of related radicals and is usually assigned a value of about -23 G for simple aliphatic radicals. Values of $Q_{H}$ for various series of organic radicals have been estimated by combining experimental observations with MO theory. ${ }^{\text {77-78 }}$ The observed $\alpha$-proton hyperfine interactions for a number of cyclic radicals are given in Tables 1 and 2. The values are generally more positive than -23 G indicating that odd electron density has been transferred from carbon to the more electronegative atoms 0 or $S$. However, no single value of $Q_{H}$ can be used for all these since radicals in which the $-\dot{C}-H$ group lies between two oxygen atoms may even show a positive a-hydrogen splitting.

The dipolar contribution to the $\alpha$-proton hyperfine splitting tensor of a $\dot{-} \dot{C}-\mathrm{H}$ radical from the interaction of an odd elen in a $2 p_{z}$ orbital of the carbon atom with the electron distribution on hydrogen has been calculated ${ }^{82}$ and the tensor components found to be [ $+15.3,-1.8,-13.9] \mathrm{G}$ along the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ direction, the perpendicular to the radical plane, and the perpendicular to $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ in the plane, respectively. These values give good agreement with the experimental values for malonic acid radical ${ }^{80}$ and various from $\pi$-electron radicals of the same type.

Table 1. Representative $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-proton hyperfine interactions for aliphatic radicals in the pure liquid phase or in solution. ${ }^{b}$

| Radical | $a\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)^{\text {a }}$ | $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | -22.38 | 26.87 |
| $. \mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{3}$ | - | 22.72 |
| - $\mathrm{CHFCH}_{3}$ | -17.31 | 24.48 |
| $\text { . } \mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | - | 13.99 |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{H}$ | (+)22.2 | - |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}$ | -22 | - |
| - $\mathrm{CCl}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | - - | 19.7 |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ | -17.4 | - |
| - $\mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{OH}) \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | -15.4 | 22.2 |
| - $\mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{COOH}) \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | -20.18 | 24.98 |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}-\mathrm{N}-\dot{\mathrm{CH}}-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | -14.6 | 20.0 |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}-\dot{\mathrm{N}}-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | -14.27 | 36.90 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Values are in Gauss.
$\mathrm{b}_{\text {All }}$ values are from Reference 73 except the last two which are from References 17 and 113, respectively.

Table 2. Representative $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-proton hyperfine interactions for some alicyclic radicals in the pure liquid phase or in solution.
(21.20

Table 2 (continued)
Radical

[^1]$\mathrm{b}_{\text {Where }}$ additional references are given in parentheses the values obtained are similar but are not given.
${ }^{c}$ All radicals are either planar or are inverting rapidly to give only an averaged value of $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)$.

Isotropic $\beta$-proton hyperfine interactions, $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)$, in $\pi$-electron radicals have been shown to depend on the dihedral angle $\theta$ between the direction of the $2 p_{z}$ orbital of the odd electron and the projection of the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}_{\beta}$ bond direction onto a plane normal to the $\mathrm{C}_{\alpha}-\mathrm{C}_{\beta}$ bond (Figure 4). Equation (15), where $\rho_{\alpha}$ is the

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=Q_{\mathrm{CCH}}^{\mathrm{H}} \rho_{\alpha} \cos ^{2} \theta \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

fraction of an odd electron in the $2 p_{z}$ orbital of the $\alpha$ carbon and $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{CCH}}^{\mathrm{H}}$ is a constant characteristic of the $\dot{\mathrm{C}}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ system, has a quantum mechanical basis. ${ }^{78}$ The constant $Q_{\mathrm{CCH}}^{\mathrm{H}}$ has been assigned the value 58.6 G from a study of $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \dot{\mathrm{C}}$ radicals. ${ }^{11}$

The empirical relationship ${ }^{77}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=B_{o}+B \cos ^{2} \theta \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

is also often used with $B_{o}$ in the range $0-4 \mathrm{G}$ and B in the range 40-50 G ; the value of $B$ depends on $\rho_{\alpha}$. In this work we will use Equation 16 along with the value $B_{o}=0$ so that $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=B \cos ^{2} \theta=\rho_{\alpha} \mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{CCH}} \cos ^{2} \theta$. When there is free rotation about the $C_{\alpha}-C_{\beta}$ bond, as is often the case with $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \dot{\mathrm{C}}$ radicals, $\left\langle\cos ^{2} \theta\right\rangle=1 / 2$ and $a\left(H_{B}\right)=B / 2$.

If the radical is not planar at the radical center, it has been found that $B$ is altered and appears to decrease with increasing deviation from planarity. ${ }^{121}$


Figure 4. Dihedral angles for a $\pi$-electron radical with the odd electron in a $2 p_{z}$ orbital on carbon, approximately planar arrangement of bonds to that carbon, and two $\beta$ hydrogens (view along $C_{\alpha}-C_{\beta}$ bond showing dihedral angles $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ for $H_{\beta_{1}}, H_{\beta_{2}}$; these are measured from the $\pm z$ axes as shown).

The relationship of Equation (16) has been widely employed in interpreting the $\beta$-proton hyperfine splittings of simple $\pi$-electron radicals, and of cyclic radicals, in terms of structure (Tables 1 and 2). Thus, in cyclohexyl radical with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=39.4 \mathrm{G}$ for two $B$ protons and $a\left(H_{B_{2}}\right)=5.3 G$ for two $B$ protons, the values $\theta_{1}=-22^{0}, \theta_{2}=82^{\circ}$ and $B_{0}=4.5 G$ were obtained using Equation (16) along with the value $\frac{1}{2} B+B_{0}=24.7 G$ for the $B$-proton splitting in isopropyl radical. The radical is presumed to be nearly planar at the odd-electron carbon because of the large $\alpha$-proton hyperfine interaction $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=21.3 \mathrm{G}$ and the small value of $a\left({ }^{13} C\right)(41.3 G)^{74}$ observed for that carbon atom. However, the values are consistent with either the chair or twisted boat forms for the radical.

It is surprising that $a\left(H_{B}\right)$, with maximum observed values as high as +50 G , may be much larger than $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)$, which is typically smaller than about $-24 G$ (in absolute magnitude). Both the high values and the positive sign have been attributed to hyperconjugation ${ }^{79-83}$ (Figure 5) which provides direct transfer of negative spin from the B hydrogens into the $2 p_{2}$ orbital of the odd electron; this leaves


Figure 5. Hyperconjugation (left) by overlap for a $B-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ threehydrogen atom MO of the same symmetry as the odd-electron orbital of a $\pi$-electron radical resulting in net positive spin density on the $\beta$ hydrogens (right).
net positive spin density in the 1 s orbitals of the $\beta$ hydrogens and should be a maximum for dihedral angle $\theta=0^{\circ}$ and a minimum for $\theta=90^{\circ}$, as observed.

Anisotropic hyperfine interactions for $\beta$ hydrogens are small since the electron nucleus distance $r$ of Equations (5) and (9) is large.
(c) $\quad \gamma$-Proton Hyperfine Splittings

Hyperfine interactions with $\gamma$ protons of cyclic radicals are small but are sometimes observed and a few values are listed in Table 2.

## (d) Fluorine Hyperfine Interactions

Information concerning $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-fluorine hyperfine interactions has been obtained from both single crystal ${ }^{84-86}$ and solution ${ }^{10,87}$ studies and some typical values are given in Table 3. It has been Shown that $\pi$-electron radicals with one or more $\alpha$ fluorine substituents are not planar ${ }^{10,88}$ so that the odd electron is in an $\mathrm{sp}^{\mathrm{n}}$ hybrid Orbital rather than a pure p orbital. McConnell's rule, Equation (14), therefore does not apply for isotropic $\alpha$-fluorine hyperfine interactions, but instead a large positive splitting is observed which increases with the angle $\phi$ by which the $C-F_{\alpha}$ bonds are bent from the plane normal to the odd electron orbital (Figure 6a). The angle of bending is known approximately for the fluorine-substituted methyl radicals from the observed values of $a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)$. (See Equation 17 in the next section).

Table 3. Representative ${ }^{19} \mathrm{~F}$ isotropic hyperfine splittings. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| Radical | $a\left(F_{\alpha}\right)^{b}$ | $a\left(F_{B}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{3}$ | 142.4 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CHF}_{2}$ | 84.2 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{~F}$ | 64.3 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{CF}_{3}$ | 84.9 | 11.2 |
| - $\mathrm{CF}\left(\mathrm{CF}_{3}\right)_{2}$ | 67.4 | 19.2 |
| - $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{CF}_{3}\right)_{3}$ | -- | 17.9 |
| . $\mathrm{CFCl}_{2}$ | 84.6 | 10.5 |
| $\text { . } \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OCF}_{2} \dot{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ |  | 21.1 |
|  | 82.9 93.3 | $a\left(F_{\gamma}\right)=37.33$ $3.06$ |
|  | 77.6 74.8 | $a\left(H_{B}\right)=15.6$ $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=5.5$ |
|  | 147.7 |  |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ All values are from Reference 87 except the last three which are from References 116 and 117.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ All values are in Gauss.

These results have been interpreted ${ }^{10,84}$ as resulting from direct overlap of the $p$ orbitals on fluorine with the odd-electron orbital and transfer of negative spin from fluorine to carbon by this direct mechanism. The interaction would be similar to that illustrated in Fig. 5 but with the lone pairs of the $2 \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{z}}$ orbitals of fluorine, rather than the pseudo- $\pi$ orbitals of the $-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ or $-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ groups, donating negative spin density into the odd-electron orbital (Figure 6b).

Isotropic $\beta$-fluorine hyperfine splittings vary from 0-70 G and appear to depend on the dihedral angle between the odd-electron orbital and the $C-F_{B}$ bond according to an empirical relationship of the type of Equation (16). If $B_{o}$ is taken to be zero and $B=76$. then, for a freely rotating $\beta-\mathrm{CF}_{3}$ group, $a\left(F_{\beta}\right)=38 \mathrm{G}$.

Both $\alpha$ - and $\beta$-fluorine hyperfine interactions show considerable anisotropy; for $\alpha$-fluorines ${ }^{85} \mathrm{~T}^{1}\left[\mathrm{~F}_{\alpha}\right] \cong[120,-60,-60 \mathrm{G}]$ and for $\beta$-fluorines ${ }^{86}$ it varies from zero to a maximum of $T^{1}\left[F_{\beta}\right] \cong$ [ $+54,-17,-17 \mathrm{G}]$. The large net positive spin density in the 2 p orbitals of the $\beta$ fluorines leads to an appreciable anisotropic hyperfine interaction.

## e) Chlorine Hyperfine Interactions

Chlorine hyperfine interactions behave qualitatively in a manner similar to the corresponding fluorine interactions but are much Smaller because of the smaller magnetic moment of chlorine. The ESR Spectra of chloro-radicals are more complex because two chlorine isotopes of different magnetic moment are present, each with spin $I=3 / 2$

(b)


Figure 6. (a) Geometry of the trifluoromethyl radical from ESR data, $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{F}_{\alpha}\right)=144 \mathrm{G}$ and $\phi \cong 19^{\circ}$, (b) Transfer of negative spin directly from fluorine to carbon in $\pi$-electron radicals leaving positive spin density on fluorine.
and a large nuclear quadrupole moment. Some typical values of a( $\mathrm{Cl}_{\alpha}$ ) and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{\beta}\right)$ are given in Table 4.
f) Carbon-13 Hyperfine Interactions

If the radical precursor is enriched with ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ at the radical site, or if a sufficiently good signal-to-noise ratio can be obtained so that ${ }^{13}$ C-satellites are observable, the ${ }^{13}$ C hyperfine splittings may be obtained for the carbon bearing the odd electron. The isotropic ${ }^{13}$ C interaction for a planar $\pi$-electron radical should be zero since the carbon nucleus is at a node of the $2 p_{z}$ electron orbital. However, even in the planar $\cdot \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ radical it is found ${ }^{10}$ that $a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=39 \mathrm{G}$. This is in excellent agreement with the value calculated by MO theory for a vibrating $\cdot \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ radical. 89 When the odd-electron orbital acquires some $s$ character and the radical becomes non-planar the Karplus-Schrader equation ${ }^{89}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
a\left({ }^{13} C\right)=K_{0}+K_{2}\left[2 \tan ^{2} \phi\right] \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

relates the observed splitting to the angle $\phi$ (Figure 5) by which the radical is bent from the plane. It is found theoretically ${ }^{89}$ that for $\dot{\mathrm{C}}_{3}$ $K_{0} \cong 40 G$, while Hartree-Fock theory gives $K_{2}=a_{0}\left({ }^{13} C\right)=1110 G$ for the odd electron in a pure 2 s orbital. ${ }^{90}$ The value a $\left({ }^{13} C\right)=272 \mathrm{G}$ observed ${ }^{10}$ for $\cdot \mathrm{CF}_{3}$ thus leads to $\phi=17^{\circ}$, not far from the value expected for $\mathrm{sp}^{3}$ hybridization of the orbitals of carbon. The fractional s character of the odd electron orbital may be estimated from the relationship

Table 4. Representative chlorine isotropic hyperfine splittings. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| Radical | $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{\alpha}\right)$ | $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{\beta}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - $\mathrm{CHCl}_{2}$ | 3.5 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}$ | 2.8 |  |
| . CHClCOOH | 3.7 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CClFCONH}_{2}$ | 3.0 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CCl}_{3}$ | 6.25 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & . \mathrm{CCl}_{2} \mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{OCH}_{3} \\ & . \mathrm{ClCH}_{2} \dot{\mathrm{C}}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \end{aligned}$ | 4.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 19.5\left({ }^{35} \mathrm{C} 1\right) \\ & 16.2\left({ }^{37} \mathrm{C} 1\right) \end{aligned}$ |
| . $\mathrm{CFCl}_{2}$ | 10.5 |  |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{COCH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}$ |  | $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}\right)=0.42$ |
| - $\mathrm{CH}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}\right)_{2}$ |  | $a=14.2$ |
| $\mathrm{HClC} \ldots \mathrm{CH} \ldots \mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | 1.2 |  |

${ }^{\mathbf{a}}$ All values are from Reference 87.

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho_{2 s}=a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right) / \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{o}}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right) \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

The anisotropic ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ interaction for the carbon bearing the odd electron is approximately of the form

$$
\overline{\overline{\mathrm{T}}}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
2 \mathrm{~B}, & -\mathrm{B}, & -\mathrm{B}] \tag{19}
\end{array}\right.
$$

with near axial symmetry. The value $2 \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{o}}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=65 \mathrm{G}$ has been calculated from Hartree-Fock theory for an electron in a pure 2 p orbital on carbon. ${ }^{90}$ The observed maximum anisotropic hyperfine interaction $2 \mathrm{~B}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)$ may thus be used to estimate the fraction of an odd electron in the $2 \mathrm{p}_{\pi}$ orbital from the relationship

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho_{2 \mathrm{p}}=2 \mathrm{~B} / 2 \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{o}} . \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is found, however, that an empirical value of $2 \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{o}}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=45 \mathrm{G}$ gives more reasonable $p$ densities than the Hartree-Fock value which appears to be too high. Some typical ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ hyperfine splittings are shown in Table 5.
g) Nitrogen-14 Hyperfine Interactions

Isotropic hyperfine interactions for a nitrogen atom on which the odd electron is centered vary from $0-16 \mathrm{G}$. The nitrogen-14 nucleus with $I=1$ has a rather small magnetic moment and appreciable electric quadrupole moment. An $\alpha$-nitrogen substituent gives a small isotropic splitting and $a\left({ }^{14} N_{\alpha}\right)$ varies from $0-6 G$ for these. The anisotropic hyperfine interaction for a nitrogen bearing the odd electron is of the form of Equation (19), with approximate axial

Table 5. Representative ${ }^{13}$ C isotropic hyperfine splittings.

| Radical | $a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}_{\alpha}\right)^{\text {a }}$ | $a\left({ }^{13} C_{\beta}\right)$ | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | 38.34 |  | 74 |
| - CHFCONH 2 | 40.0 |  | 85 |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{~F}$ | 54.8 |  | 10 |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{COO}$ | 79 |  | 85 |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{2} \mathrm{CONH}_{2}$ | 88.2 |  | 85 |
| - $\mathrm{CHF}_{2}$ | 148.8 |  | 10 |
| - $\mathrm{CF}_{3}$ | 271.6 |  | 10 |
|  | 41.3 |  | 74 |
| - $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | +39.07 | -13.57 | 74 |
|  | (+)26.6 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{a}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)=(-) 10.7 \\ & \mathrm{a}\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}=0\right)=(-) 14.0 \end{aligned}$ | 53 |
|  | (+)26.7 |  | 53 |
|  | (+)103.0 |  | 101 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Values in Gauss.

Table 6. Representative ${ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}$ isotropic hyperfine splittings.

| Radical | $a\left({ }^{14} N\right)^{\text {a }}$ | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{CH}_{3}-\dot{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ | 4.9 | 17 |
| $\mathrm{CH}_{3}-\underset{\dot{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{H}_{3}}{\mathrm{~N}}-\dot{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{H}_{2}$ | 7.03 | 17 |
|  | 5.77 | 17 |
|  | 4.2 | 17 |
|  | 14.66 | b |
|  | 1.75 19.28 | c 113 |
| $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{~N}^{\text {- }}$ | 14.78 | 113 |

${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ All values are in Gauss; me $=$ methyl.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ J.R. Roberts and K.U. Ingold, J. Amer. Chem. Soc. 95, 3228 (1973).
${ }^{\mathrm{C}}$ H. Taniguchi and Y. Kirino, J. Amer. Chem. Soc. 99, 3625 (1977).
symmetry and $2 \mathrm{~B}\left({ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}\right)=35 \mathrm{G} .{ }^{90}$ Some typical observed nitrogen hyperfine splittings are shown in Table 6.

## III. Exchange Rates from ESR Line widths

Rates of ring inversion motions may be obtained from a study of the ESR linewidths when the rate of exchange of nuclei with different hyperfine coupling constants $\Delta a$ is of the same order of magnitude as 1/ $\Delta$ a. The necessary relationship between exchange rate and linewidth is obtained by solution of the Bloch equations modified to include nuclear spin exchange. This has been done for Lorentzian lineshapes and the theory is given in several textbooks. ${ }^{77-79}$ In many cases the lines of the ESR spectrum are broadened by unresolved hyperfine interactions and this appears to be true for the cyclic radicals studied in this work. The lineshapes are then more nearly Gaussian and Ogawa and Fessenden ${ }^{27}$ modified the Bloch equations by substituting an empirical term $\sigma^{2} t$ for $1 / T_{2}$. Writing $G(t)=G_{1}(t)+i G_{2}(t)$ for the total magnetization, the rate of change of the in-phase and out-of-phase components of magnetization are

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(\frac{d}{d t}\right) G_{1}(t)=\left[i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega h_{1}\right)-\sigma^{2} t-1 / \tau\right] G_{1}(t)+G_{2}(t) / \tau  \tag{21}\\
& \left(\frac{d}{d t}\right) G_{2}(t)=\left[i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega h_{2}\right)-\sigma^{2} t-1 / \tau\right] G_{2}(t)+G_{1}(t) / \tau, \tag{22}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\tau$ is the correlation time for the exchange, $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega h_{2}$ are the isotropic hyperfine interactions for the spins at sites 1 and 2 , respectively, and $\omega_{0}=\gamma_{e} H_{o}$. The solutions to Equations (21) and (22) are

$$
\begin{align*}
& G_{1}(t)=C_{1} Z_{1}(t) \pm C_{2} z_{2}(t)  \tag{23}\\
& \text { where } \quad G_{2}(t)=D_{1} \tilde{z}_{1}(t)+D_{2} \tilde{z}_{2}(t),  \tag{24}\\
& z_{1}(t)=\exp \left[-\sigma^{2} t^{2} / 2+\left(n_{1}+\gamma+i \Delta / 2\right) t\right]  \tag{25}\\
& z_{2}(t)=\exp \left[-\sigma^{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{1}-\gamma+i \Delta / 2\right) t\right]  \tag{26}\\
& \tilde{z}_{1}(t)=\exp \left[-\sigma^{2} t^{2} / 2+\left(n_{2}+\gamma-i \Delta / 2\right) t\right]  \tag{27}\\
& \tilde{z}_{2}(t)=\exp \left[-\sigma^{2} t^{2} / 2+\left(n_{2}-\gamma-i \Delta / 2\right) t\right]  \tag{28}\\
& D_{1}=\tau(\gamma+i \Delta / 2) C_{1}  \tag{29}\\
& D_{2}=\tau(-\gamma+i \Delta / 2) C_{2}  \tag{30}\\
& n_{1}=i\left(\omega_{0}+h_{1}\right)-1 / \tau  \tag{31}\\
& n_{2}=i\left(\omega_{0}+h_{2}\right)-1 / \tau  \tag{32}\\
& \Delta=\omega h_{2}-\omega h_{1}  \tag{33}\\
& \gamma=\sqrt{T^{-2}-(\Delta / 2)^{2}} .
\end{align*}
$$

The line shape is given by ${ }^{91}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\int_{0}^{\infty} G(t) e^{-i \omega t} d t\right\} \tag{35}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the second derivative of the absorption, which is commonly recorded in this work, is then given by ${ }^{92}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial^{2} I(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}=-\frac{1}{\sigma^{3}} \operatorname{Real}\left\{\sum_{ \pm} \mathrm{B}_{ \pm}\left[-\xi_{ \pm}+\left(1+\xi_{ \pm}^{2}\right) \mathrm{e}^{\xi_{ \pm}^{2} / 2}\left((2 \pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right)\right\}\right. \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
\xi_{ \pm} & =Y_{ \pm}+i \frac{\left(\omega-\omega_{m}\right)}{\sigma}  \tag{37}\\
Y_{ \pm} & =\left[\alpha \mp \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}\right] a  \tag{38}\\
\alpha & =2 / \tau \Delta  \tag{39}\\
a & =\Delta / 2 \sigma  \tag{40}\\
\Delta & =\omega h_{2}-\omega h_{1}  \tag{41}\\
\omega_{m} & =\left(\omega h_{1}+\omega h_{2}\right) / 2+\omega_{0} . \tag{42}
\end{align*}
$$

Certain lines of each spectrum are invariant to exchange of the nuclei and it is convenient to measure the intensities of the lines which are dependent on exchange rate relative to one of the invariant lines (for which $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ ). Thus, we measure

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(\omega)=\left(\partial^{2} I / \partial \omega^{2}\right) /\left(\partial^{2} I / \partial \omega^{2}\right)_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \tag{43}
\end{equation*}
$$

and use these ratios, $F(\omega)$, to obtain the correlation times, $\tau$, using either a graph ${ }^{27}$ or a computer program written by W. G. Waller. ${ }^{9}$ Details of the calculations and a listing of the computer program are given in Appendix $I$.

A measure of the barrier restricting the exchange may be obtained from measurement of $\tau$ at different temperatures. The Eyring equation

$$
\begin{align*}
& r=(l / \tau)=(k T / h) \exp \left(-\Delta \mathrm{G}^{\ddagger} / \mathrm{RT}\right) \\
&=(\mathrm{kT} / \mathrm{h}) \mathrm{e}^{\Delta S^{\ddagger} / \mathrm{R}} \mathrm{e}^{-\Delta H^{\ddagger} / \mathrm{RT}}, \\
& \text { or, } \ln (1 / \tau)=\ln (\mathrm{kT} / \mathrm{h})+\Delta \mathrm{S}^{\ddagger} / \mathrm{R}-\Delta H^{\ddagger} / \mathrm{R}(1 / \mathrm{T}), \tag{44}
\end{align*}
$$

permits the calculation of the enthalpy, entropy and free energy of activation for exchange from a plot of $\ln (1 / \tau)$ versus $1 / T^{\circ} K$. The rate $\mathbf{r}$ of a conformation change is inversely proportional to the lifetime $\tau$ of the conformation. ${ }^{67,68}$ The Arrhenius equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ln (1 / \tau)=E_{a} / R T+\ln (1 / \tau)_{0} \tag{45}
\end{equation*}
$$

is also often used in discussing conformational changes and the energy barriers $E_{a}$ and frequency factors $(1 / \tau)_{0}$ are obtained from plots of $\ln (1 / \tau)$ versus reciprocal absolute temperature.

## EXPERIMENTAL

I. Instrumentation

Preliminary ESR spectra were recorded using a Varian E-4 X-band spectrometer equipped with an E-257 Variable Temperature Accessory.

More precise measurements were carried out with a Varian V-4502 X-band spectrometer system including V-4560 100 kHz Field Modulation and Control Unit, Mark I Fieldial regulation, 12" electromagnet, V-4531 Multi-purpose rectangular cavity, and V-4540 Variable Temperature Accessory.

Both first and second derivatives of the absorption were recorded, the latter by an arrangement for detecting at double the modulation frequency of 40 Hz . Second derivative curves are more convenient to analyze because of their resemblance to the absorption curve and were used in most cases.

Sample temperatures were measured by placing a copperconstantan thermocouple in the cavity close to the sample and were read on a Trendicator 400 Flectronic Temperature Meter. The error in temperatures measured in this way is estimated to be $\pm 2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

Magnetic field calibration was carried out with a small NMR spectrometer using a doped water sample. The tunable marginal oscillator covered the range $12.2-21.2 \mathrm{MHz}$ and proton markers were placed on the ESR spectra at various field intervals. The proton resonance frequencies were read directly on a Monsanto Model 1515A Counter-Timer to $\pm 1 \mathrm{kHz}$. All spectra were recorded on ll"xl7" chart paper using a Moseley Autograf Model 7000A X-Y recorder with the magnetic field increasing from left to right. In this thesis all are second-derivative spectra.

Klystron frequencies were measured directly to $\pm 0.1 \mathrm{Mmz}$ with a Hewlett-Packard Model 5245L Electronic Counter equipped with a Hewlett-Packard Model 5255A Frequency Converter covering the range $3-12.4 \mathrm{GHz}$.

Periodic checks on the performance of the spectrometer system and on the precision of measurement were made with standard Varian samples having the values $\mathrm{g}=2.0028$ (strong pitch) and $\mathrm{g}=2.0037$ (DPPH powder).

## II. Chemicals

Adamantane, $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{16}$, purissimum ( $99+\%$ ) from Aldrich Chemical Co., Milwaukee, Wis., was used as a matrix in most of the ESR work and impurities which might give interfering radicals must be removed as far as possible. ${ }^{17}$ For this purpose the adamantane was dissolved in spectrograde $n$-heptane (Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo.),treated with activated charcoal (Nuchar-C 190-N, West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co., New York, N. Y.), filtered,and n-heptane removed with a vacuum pump until most of the adamantane had crystallized out. The mother liquor was removed by filtration and the white crystalline powder dried. This process was repeated three or more times until a sample $\mathbf{X}$-irradiated at room temperature gave very little background signal even at high microwave power. Such weak background signals become negligible relative to the stronger signals obtainable with most of the radicals studied even at much lower microwave power. Deuteroadamantane, $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{D}_{16}$ (Merck of Canada, Ltd., Montreal, Canada)
was used as a matrix in certain experiments to reduce line broadening. It was used as received.

Most of the radical precursors used were obtained from the Aldrich Chemical Co. These include cycloheptanone, cyclobutanone, cyclobutanecarboxylic acid, cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, cyclopentanecarboxylic acid, cyclopentanol, cyclopentylamine, cyclopentyl chloride, cyclopentyl bromide, tetrahydrothiophene, pentamethylene sulfide, tetrahydropyran, pyrrole and pyrrolidine. Cyclopropanecarboxylic acid was from Pfaltz and Bauer, Stamford, Conn.) and 1,2-dichlorotetrafluorocyclobutene from PCR, Inc., Gainesville, Florida.
III. Sample Preparation and Handling

Radical precursors were incorporated into adamantane by dissolving 20.5 g purified adamantane in the liquid precursor, with the aid of heat where necessary, then removing excess liquid by evaporation. Where the liquids were not very volatile, the solution was rapidly frozen with liquid nitrogen to incorporate as much precursor as possible into the solid and the solid then allowed to warm to room temperature. Excess liquid was removed by suction filtration and the crystals dried under vacuum.

The white, fluffy powders were made into a cylindrical pellet 3 mm in diameter and $\sim 1 \mathrm{~cm}$ in length in a KBr pellet press using a special tungsten carbide brushing (Strehlinger Co., Lansing, Mich.) and a hardened steel plunger which had been chrome plated. Where necessary the oxygen trapped in the pellet was removed by pressing the pellet while evacuating the die.

Solid precursors were cosublimed with adamantane, which sometimes results in the precursor molecules being incorporated into the adamantane, ${ }^{17}$ or were melted together with adamantane. These methods did not lead to the observation of any suitable ESR signals with any of the solid precursors tried in this work and it is assumed that none were incorporated into the adamantane.

In several cases pure crystalline solids were irradiated ("neat" samples). Where these were liquids at room temperature, they were sealed in quartz tubes ( 3 mm ID, 4 mm OD) after dissolved oxygen had been removed by repeated freeze-pump-thaw cycles.

Samples which had been irradiated at room temperature were transferred directly to the ESR cavity and spectra taken at room temperature. The sample temperature was then slowly lowered using the variable temperature control system and spectra were taken at intervals down to the lowest accessible temperature (about $-190^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). Samples irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ were transferred to the cold ESR cavity as rapidly as possible to prevent warmup and initial spectra taken at as low a temperature as feasible, usually close to $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. The sample was then warmed slowly and spectral changes followed as a function of temperature. In most cases several cycles of warming and cooling were followed by ESR in order to separate reversible from irreversible changes and to aid in analyzing the often very complex changes occurring.

When it appeared from the spectra that more than one radical was present, power saturation studies were carried out. In many cases the lines of some radicals saturate more readily than
those of others and the changes in the spectrum with microwave power level assist in assigning the spectra.
IV. Irradiation

X-irradiations were carried out with a GE XRD-1 X-ray generator operating at $20-40 \mathrm{kV}$ and 10 ma with a chromium target tube. $\gamma$-Irradiations used the ${ }^{60}$ Co gamma irradiator housed in the Food and Human Nutrition Building. Where the radicals studied were stable in the solid matrix at room temperature, X-irradiation at room temperature for $30-120$ minutes was normally used. Where the radicals studied were not stable at room temperature, or where neat liquids were to be irradiated in the polycrystalline state, $\gamma$ irradiation was carried out at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. Small vials (l dram) or sealed quartz tubes ( 3 mm ID) were placed in a Dewar filled with liquid nitrogen and irradiated for $3-5$ hours at a dose rate of about $0.3 \mathrm{Mrad} / \mathrm{hr}\left(\begin{array}{ll}3 \times 10^{7}\end{array}\right.$ $\operatorname{erg} \mathrm{gm}^{-1} \mathrm{hr}^{-1}$ ).
V. Analysis of Data

Radical $g$ values were calculated from the measured magnetic field $H_{o}$ at the center of the spectrum and the measured Klystron frequency $v$ using the equation

$$
\mathrm{g}=\mathrm{h} \nu / \beta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{o}}
$$

with $B=9.27 \times 10^{-21}$ erg gauss ${ }^{-1}$ and $h=6.6262 \times 10^{-27}$ erg sec.
Magnetic fields were computed from the observed proton
magnetic resonance frequencies using the relation

$$
\mathrm{H}(\text { gauss })=2 \pi v / \gamma_{\mathrm{p}}=2.348682 \times 10^{-4} v(\mathrm{~Hz})
$$

based on the value $\gamma_{p}=2.6751965 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{rad} \mathrm{sec}^{-1} \mathrm{gauss}^{-1}$ for the magnetogyric ratio of the proton.

Correlation times for ring inversion $\tau$ were calculated from the intensities of those lines which varied with temperature, relative to those (usually the outer ones) which did not, by use of the computer program ESREX4 written for the CDC-6500 computer (see Section III of THEORY, above, and Appendix I of this thesis). The data input to this program include the measured Klystron frequency $\omega_{0}=2 \pi v_{0}$ and the hyperfine coupling constants $\omega h_{1}$, $\omega h_{2}$ RAD/SEC.... for the spectral lines employed, along with their relative peak heights in second-derivative presentation. Measured hyperfine splittings a G were converted to frequency units RAD/SEC for the program using the measured $g$ value and the relationship

A RAD/SEC $=(2 \pi \beta / h) a\left(g / g_{e}\right)$,
where $g_{e}=2.00232$ is the $g$ value of the free electron.
The program ESRCON1, which simulates isotropic ESR spectra, was also used in this work. Estimated hyperfine interactions for up to five different groups of nuclei may be input and the simulated ESR spectrum displayed on a Calcomp plotter. Some preliminary spectral simulations were done using the Tektronix 4010 during the early stages of this research.

## I. Cyclic Carboxylic Acids

A. Cyclopentanecarboxylic Acid in Adamantane

A solid solution of cyclopentanecarboxylic acid (CPCA)
in adamantane was X -irradiated at room temperature. The ESR spectrum at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure $7(\mathrm{a})$ ] is a quintet with relative line intensities approximately $1: 4: 6: 4: 1$ and $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=31.5 \mathrm{G}$. On lowering the temperature the intensities of the inner lines change relative to the two outer lines, which are invariant in intensity. Selective broadening of lines 2 and 4 as the temperature is lowered [Fig. 7(b) (e)] corresponds to intermediate rates of exchange. At $-109^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the second and fourth lines have disappeared and a triplet with relative intensities 1:4:1 remains [Figure 7(e)]. On cooling further the lines broaden and seven-line spectra [Fig. 7(f) - (h)] appear with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{1}}\right)=22.1 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=41.0 \mathrm{G}$; these are presumably powder spectra since the lines are broad, as would be expected when the tumbling rate of the radicals becomes small and the adamantane matrix changes to its low-temperature structure. The resolution remains good even at the lowest temperatures since $\beta$-proton splittings are nearly isotropic.

These spectra are similar qualitatively to those observed for cyclohexyl radical, and first interpreted in detail by Ogawa and Fessenden, ${ }^{27}$ and are accounted for it the only stable radical produced is the l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical (XI) with two "axial" and two "Equatorial" $\beta$ protons and either the "envelope" or "halfchair" conformation (XI, top and bottom). Then, at low temperature where ring inversion is slow, the seven-line spectrum corresponding


Figure 7. ESR spectra of l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical in adamantane.

$\stackrel{\text { "ENVELOPE" }}{\rightleftharpoons}$


$$
\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{COOH}
$$



XIa




XIb
to a partially overlapping triplet of triplets with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=22.1 \mathrm{G}$ and $a\left(H_{B_{2}}\right)=41.0 \mathrm{G}$, is obtained. On warming to room temperature, ring inversion becomes rapid and the four $\beta$ protons become equivalent giving a 1:4:6:4:1 quintet with $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=1 / 2\left[\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{1}}\right)+\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)\right]=31.5 \mathrm{G}$. At intermediate temperatures exchange of protons $\beta_{1}$ and $\beta_{2}$ by ring inversion leads to a mixing of spin states and changes in intensity of the three inner lines relative to the two outer lines. The nuclear spin orientations possible for four protons are shown in Figure 8 and the lines in the ESR spectrum when an odd electron interacts with two protons with $\mathrm{a}=21 \mathrm{G}$ and two with $\mathrm{a}=42 \mathrm{G}$ are shown in Figure 9. The spectrum of Figure $7(\mathrm{~h})$ corresponds to the stick diagram of Figure 9 (b) with seven lines with relative intensities 1:2:3:4:3:2:1. The diagram of Figure $9(a)$, corresponding to rapid exchange of the two pairs of protons, shows how such rapid exchange leads to a narrow five-line quintet with $\langle\mathrm{a}\rangle=(21+42) / 2=31.5 \mathrm{G}$ and relative intensities 1:4:6:4:1. In the intermediate portion of Figure 9 the dotted lines


|  | L $\mathrm{R}^{\text {* }}$ | 1 R | L R | 1 R |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $H_{1}$ $H_{2}$ | $-^{1 *}-$ | $\begin{gathered} -^{2}- \\ -+ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -^{3}- \\ & +- \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -^{4}- \\ & +\quad+ \end{aligned}$ |
| $H$ $H$ $H 2$ | $-^{5}+$ | $\begin{gathered} -^{6}+ \\ -+ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -^{7}+ \\ +- \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -8+ \\ & +\quad+ \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{H}_{1} \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ +\quad- \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ +- \\ -+ \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \\ & +- \\ & +- \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ +\quad- \\ +\quad+ \end{array}$ |
| $H$ $H$ $H$ | $+\quad 13$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & +^{14}+ \\ & -+ \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15 \\ & +\quad+ \\ & +\quad- \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & +\quad+ \\ & +\quad+ \end{aligned}$ |

${ }^{*} \mathrm{~L}$ and R indicate left and right hand hydrogens on the diagram at the top.
**There are sixteen combinations of the nuclear spin quantum numbers for the four $\beta$ protons, labeled 1-16 above; $m_{I}= \pm 1 / 2$ are designated by + or - .

Figure 8. Nuclear spin orientations of the four $\beta$ protons of 1-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical.

indicate that the line intensities are changing with exchange rate but with the two outer lines invariant in intensity. In this intermediate region relative intensities of inner to outer lines may be used to obtain correlation times $\tau$ according to Equation (43) using the theory of Section III.

Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ as a function of the ratio of the intensity of line 2 to line 1 for 1 -cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical (indicated by arrows in Figure 7) were computed by use of the computer program ESREX4 (Appendix B) and are given in Table 7. The experimental values of the relative intensity of line 2 to line $1(F(\omega)$ ) are shown in Table 8 at various temperatures and are plotted versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ in Figure 10. Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ at various temperatures are plotted versus $1 / T^{0} K$ in Figure 11 and the parameters of the Arrhenius rate equation, Equation $45, \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=1.43 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{\mathrm{o}}=1.25 \times 10^{10}$ $\mathbf{s e c}^{-1}$, were obtained from the slope and intercept of the best straight line through the experimental points.

Using $B_{0}=0.0 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{B}=44 \mathrm{G}$ and $\theta_{1}+\theta_{2}=60^{\circ}$ in Equation 16, the experimental values of $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$ for the l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical lead to the values $45^{\circ}$ and $15^{\circ}$ for the dihedral angles between the 2 p orbital of the odd electron and "axial" and "equatorial" $\beta$ protons. These values are somewhat closer to the values of the dihedral angles ( $10^{\circ}$ and $50^{\circ}$ ) for the half-chair conformation than they are to the "ideal" values for the envelope conformation ( $-10^{\circ}$ and $70^{\circ}$ ). For this reason the conformations of the cyclic five-membered ring radicals have been drawn as half-chair forms in most of this work.

Table 7. Calculated values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical in adamantane. $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$

| $\log _{10}(1 / \tau)$ | $F(\omega)$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| +11.0 | 1.99 |
| 10.5 | 1.97 |
| 10.0 | 1.87 |
| 9.5 | 1.68 |
| 8.5 | 1.17 |
| 8.0 | 0.42 |
| 7.5 | 0.00 |
| 7.0 | 0.28 |
| 6.5 | 0.66 |
| 6.0 | 0.88 |
| 5.5 | 0.96 |

$a_{F(\omega)}$ is defined by Equation 43 and is the ratio of the intensity of the given line to one of the outer invariant lines in the secondderivative spectrum.
$b_{\text {The }}$ rate of inversion is $1 / \tau$ where $\tau$ is the correlation time for exchange (Equations 21 and 22).

Table 8. Experimental relative intensities $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures and the corresponding calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical in adamantane.a,b

| $\mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ | $\mathrm{F}(\omega)$ | $\log (1 / \tau)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +11 | 3.52 | 1.88 | 9.97 |
| -11 | 3.82 | 2.00 | 10.80 |
| -65 | 4.81 | 0.74 | 8.72 |
| -81 | 5.21 | 0.29 | 8.40 |
| -100 | 5.78 | 0.17 | 8.28 |
| -121 | 6.58 | 0.00 | 8.00 |
| -141 | 7.58 | 0.13 | 7.70 |
| -152 | 8.26 | 0.26 | 7.53 |
| -161 | 8.93 | 0.43 | 7.31 |
| -171 | 9.80 | 0.63 | 7.04 |

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## B. Cyclopentanecarboxylic Acid

When neat CPCA was $\gamma$-irradiated, the spectra were again characteristic of a nonplanar l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical which is undergoing a hindered ring motion but with different ESR parameters than for the same radical in adamantane. At $-36^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the spectrum [Figure $12(\mathrm{c})$ ] is a triplet of triplets indicating that there are two protons with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=28.3 \mathrm{G}$ and two with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=34.0 \mathrm{G}$. The line positions and relative intensities are in agreement with the stick diagram of Fig. 13(b). When the temperature is raised to $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure $12(\mathrm{a})$ ] the spectrum has become a quintet with relative intensities approaching 1:4:6:4:1 indicating that rapid inversion of the ring between the rigid conformations stable at $-36^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is averaging the $\beta$ proton splittings. The result of such a process would be an average splitting $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=(28.3+34.0) / 2=31.3 \mathrm{G}$, as observed. In the intermediate temperature range [Fig. 12 (b) for $-9^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ] the outer lines remain invariant but the inner lines change in position and intensity as a result of the ring inversion process. The dotted lines of Figure 13 show the results of averaging the two sets of $B$ protons leading, at high temperatures, to the quintet of Figures $12(\mathrm{a})$ and 13(a).


Figure 12. ESR spectra of l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical in the self matrix.
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The dihedral angles calculated from Equation 16 for the two sets of $\beta$ protons of the CPCA radical in the pure CPCA matrix are $34^{\circ}$ and $26^{\circ}$, respectively. The stable conformation in CPCA is thus different from that in adamantane.

## C. Cyclohexanecarboxylic Acid

Pure solid polycrystalline cyclohexanecarboxylic acid (CHCA) was $\gamma$-irradiated and the ESR spectra observed at various temperatures [Figure (14)]. At $+9^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ a quintet with $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=21.1 \mathrm{G}$ and relative intensities 1:4:6:4:1 was observed [Figure $14(\mathrm{a})$ ]. This quintet persists on cooling until about $-50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ when it begins to change to a triplet. At $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ a triplet with relative intensities $1: 4: 1$ and $a\left(H_{B}\right)=42.1 \mathrm{G}$ is obtained [Figure $14(\mathrm{~b})$ ] and this remains until about $-90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ when a more complex spectrum appears. These spectra indicate that the only radical formed is cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical (XII). The low-temperature spectrum [Figure $14(c)$ ]


XIIa


XIIb
is presumably a powder spectrum since the tumbling of impurity species in adamantane has usually slowed in this temperature range to the point where anisotropic interactions are broadening the lines.
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Figure 14. ESR spectra of l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in the self matrix.

The spectra are thus qualitatively similar to those observed for cyclohexyl radical ${ }^{2-}$ and those described in detail above for $1-$ cyclopentanecarboxyl radical and are consistent with a slow interconversion of radical XI $\ln$ hereen equivaient chair forms below $-60^{\circ}$ leading to hyperfirte mittings a( $\left.\mathcal{B}_{i}\right)=376$ for two axial $B$-protons and $a\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right)=5.0$ G for two equatorial protons. Above $-50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ interconversion is ripid enougl so that only an average is observed with $\left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)\right\rangle=1 / 2 i a\left(H_{B_{1}} i+a\left(H_{G_{2}}\right)\right]=21.0$ G and a five-1ine quintet of relative intensities i:4:4:1 is obscrved. At intermediate temperatures the spectral changes are as indicated in the correlation diagram of Figure 9. The salle set of spin states as was used in discussing CPCA radical [Figure (8)] may be used also for CHCA radical.

The intensity of the next outer lines (lines 2 and 4 of Figure $14(a))$, wich vary with temperature, were measured relative to the invariant outer lines and the ratios $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures are given in Table 10. The computer program ESREX4 was used to obtain values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ as a function $\circ f((0)$ and the calculated values for cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in CHCA matrix are given in Table 9 and also plotted graphically in Figure 15. Values of log $(1 / \tau)$ corresponding to the onserved values of $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures are given in Table 10 and are plotted graphically versus reciprocal temperature in figure 16 . The slope and intercept of the best straight line tirough the points of Figure 16 lead to the values $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{a}}=3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{\mathrm{o}}=1.7 \times 10^{12}$ for the barrier to the ring inversion process and the frequency factor, respectively.

Table 9. Calculated values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in the self-matrix.

| $\log _{10}(1 / \tau)$ | $F(\omega)$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| +11.0 | 1.98 |
| 10.5 | 1.95 |
| 10.0 | 1.84 |
| 9.5 | 1.55 |
| 9.0 | 0.93 |
| 8.5 | 0.21 |
| 8.0 | 0.12 |
| 7.0 | 0.81 |
| 6.0 | 0.98 |

Table 10. Experimental values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures and the corresponding calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 1 -cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical in the self matrix.a

| $T^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ | $F(\omega)$ | $\log (1 / \tau)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +22 | 3.39 | 1.73 | 9.75 |
| +9 | 3.55 | 1.68 | 9.65 |
| 0 | 3.66 | 1.57 | 9.55 |
| -11 | 3.82 | 1.17 | 9.18 |
| -26 | 4.05 | 0.88 | 8.98 |
| -39 | 4.27 | 0.38 | 8.65 |
| -56 | 4.61 | 0.23 | 8.53 |
| -71 | 4.95 | 0.0 |  |

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Figure 15. Calculated values of the relative intensity of the second line to the invariant outer line $[F(w)]$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical.


## D. Cyclobutanecarboxylic Acid

A solid solution of cyclobutanecarboxylic acid in adamantane was $\gamma$-irradiated at room temperature. The ESR spectrum consisted of a rather weak quintet with $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=31.8 \mathrm{G}$ [Figure $\left.17(\mathrm{a})\right]$.

Better spectra were obtained when cyclobutanecarboxylic acid was irradiated as the pure crystalline solid at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. The spectrum on warming to $-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure 17 (b)] consists of a strong quintet with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=32.9 \mathrm{G}$ and relative intensities about $1: 2.5: 3.8: 2.5: 1$ indicating that the l-cyclobutanecarboxyl radical XIII, with four equivalent $\beta$ protons, has been produced. There are also two or three additional, weaker lines present of unknown origin. Radical XIII decomposes above about $-8^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ while below $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the lines broaden and the spectrum becomes characterstic of a powder [Figure 17(c)]. No temperature dependence of the isotropic spectrum, which would be indicative of a measurable ring inversion process, is observed between $-8^{\circ}$ and $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. E. Cycloheptanecarboxylic Acid in Adamantane

A solid solution of cycloheptanecarboxylic acid in adamantane was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. The spectrum at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure $18(\mathrm{a})$ ] can be considered to be made up of the superposition of two multiplets a quintet with relative intensities 1:4:6:4:1 and $a(H)=13.4 \mathrm{G}$, and a triplet of triplets with $a\left(H_{1}\right)=17.9 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right)=22.5 \mathrm{G}$. Both multiplets have the same $g$ value but they appear to arise from different radicals. The quintet disappears on cooling to $-56^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure $18(\mathrm{~b})$ ].

The triplet of triplets persists over a wide temperature range $\left(-60^{\circ}\right.$ to $+60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) with relative intensities and splitting parameters


Figure 17. ESR spectra of l-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid radical: (a) in polycrystalline l-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid, (b) and (c) in adarantane.


Figure 18. ESR spectra of l-cycloheptanecarboxylic acid racical in adamantane.


Planar


Chair


Twist-chair
(symmetrical)
or

XIII

## $\rightleftarrows$ <br> 

XIV (a)


XIV (b)

xV (unsymmetrical)

Some Structural Formulae for Cyclic Carboxylic Acid Radicals ( $\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{COOH}$ ) Transformation among the twist-chair forms of the seven-membered ring (XIV(b),XV) can occur by a process of pseudorotation in which the $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ axis moves around the ring one carbon atom at a time.
almost unchanged and might be assigned to an 2-cyclopheptanecarboxylic acid radical, XIV (chair) or XV (symmetrical or unsymmetrical twistchair), in a rigid conformation with two pairs of nonequivalent $\beta$ protons. The quintet, however, is not spectrum which would result from rapid interconversion between two nonplanar forms such as XIV or XV, since the hyperfine interaction of 13.4 G is much smaller than the average of the triplet splittings, and the triplet of triplets never coalesces into the quintet. The origin of these lines remains unexplained.

Pure cycloheptanccarboxylic acid was also $\gamma$ irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. In the range $-90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $-120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ four broad lines were observed with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{1}\right)=25 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right)=61 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{g}=2.0036$. Above $-90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the radical disappeared. There is not sufficient information available at present to interpret this spectrum but it is presumably a powder pattern since isotropic proton hyperfine splittings as large as 61 G are not observed in cyclic radicals. F. Cyclopropanecarboxylic Acid in Adamantane

A sample $\gamma$ irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ showed no ESR spectrum and it is possible that the acid did not enter the adamantane matrix. When the pure acid was irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ complex ESR spectra were obtained which could not be interpreted.

## II. Cyclic Ketones

## A. Cyclopentanone in Adamantane

The spectra of solid solutions of cyclopentanone in adamantane $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ are shown at two temperatures in Figure 19. The spectrum at $-24^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is a doublet of triplets with each line further


Figure 19. ESR spectra of 2-cyclopentanonyl radical in adamantane.
split into a triplet. This spectrum persists to low temperatures although lines $1,3,5$ become broadened relative to lines $2,4,6$ at $-193^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ [Figure $19(\mathrm{~b})$ ]. The spectra indicate that the only stable radical produced is the 2-cyclopentanonyl radical , XVI , and


XVI
that it is either planar, or is undergoing rapid inversion even at the lowest temperature, since the spectrum at $-193^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is still a doublet of triplets. The small additional splitting of 2.2 G observed above $-60^{\circ}$ is apparently from two equivalent $\gamma$ protons. The ESR parameters observed are $g=2.0046, a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=18.5 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=36.0 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent $\beta$ protons), $a\left(H_{\gamma}\right)=2.2 G$ (two equivalent $\gamma$ protons). No changes were observed in the spectra which would indicate that ring inversion is occurring at a rate measurable by ESR.
B. Cycloheptanone in Adamantane

A sample was $x$-irradiated at room temperature for two hours and spectra recorded immediately following irradiation, first at room temperature then at a series of lower temperatures [Figure 20]. Although lines from a second radical are present at all temperatures, a doublet of triplets attributable to the 2-cycloheptanonyl radical


Figure 20. ESR spectra of 2 -cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane (lines indicated by inverted triangles). The remaining lines arise from a second, unidentified radical.

XVII can be identified at $+3^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and these six lines are indicated by


XVII
small arrows in Figure $20(\mathrm{a})$ and (b). The ESR parameters at $+3^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ are $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=18.5 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=28.8 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent $\beta$ protons) and $g=2.0042 \pm 0.0002$. As the temperature is lowered the two central lines broaden and decrease in intensity [Figure 20(b)] until the coalescence temperature of $-88^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is reached. At lower temperatures the two $\beta$ protons appear to become equivalent and the five line spectrum at $-146^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ can be assigned ESR parameters $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=19.1 \mathrm{G}$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)=38.2 \mathrm{G}$. These values would predict a high-temperature average splitting for the $\beta$ protons after they become equivalent of $<\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)>=\frac{19.1+38.2}{2}=28.65 \mathrm{G}$ in agreement with the observed value of 28.8 G . The radical is very stable at room temperature.

Values of the relative intensities of one of the inner lines
(lines 3 and 4) to one of the outer lines for 2-cycloheptanonyl radical were calculated as functions of $\log (1 / \tau)$ using the program ESREX4 and are given in Table 11 and plotted graphically in Figure 21. Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ at the temperatures at which relative intensities could be measured are listed in Table 12 and plotted versus $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ in Figure 22. From this Arrhenius plot the activation energy for the ring

Table 11. Calculated values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2 -cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane.

| Log $(1 / \tau)$ | $F(\omega)$ |
| :---: | :--- |
| +11.0 | 1.99 |
| 10.5 | 1.97 |
| 10.0 | 1.91 |
| 9.5 | 1.73 |
| 9.0 | 1.28 |
| 8.5 | 0.54 |
| 8.0 | 0.0 |
| 7.5 | 0.35 |
| 7.0 | 0.71 |
| 6.5 | 0.90 |
| 6.0 | 0.97 |

Table 12. Experimental values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures and the corresponding calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2 -cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane.

| $\mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ | $\mathrm{F}(\omega)$ | $\log (1 / \tau)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +68 | 2.93 | 1.66 | 9.34 |
| +40 | 3.19 | 1.62 | 9.30 |
| +3 | 3.62 | 1.53 | 9.21 |
| -16 | 3.89 | 1.47 | 9.18 |
| -37 | 4.24 | 1.26 | 8.99 |
| -45 | 4.39 | 0.79 | 8.66 |
| -55 | 4.59 | 0.52 | 8.48 |
| -68 | 4.88 | 0.32 | 8.34 |
| -79 | 5.15 | 0.27 | 8.30 |
| -88 | 5.41 | 0.0 |  |

[^4]F(w)
Figure 21. Calculated relative intensities for the second line relative to the invariant outer line versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2 -cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane.


Figure 22. Plot of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus $1 / T^{0} K$ for 2-cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane.
inversion process is found to be $E_{a}=3.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and the frequency factor $(1 / \tau)_{0}=5.5 \times 10^{11}$.

The coalescence temperature for 2-cycloheptanonyl radical $\left(185^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ is slightly lower than that observed for 2-cyclohexanonyl radical ${ }^{22}\left(198^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ which implies that the activation energy for ring inversion should be lower for 2-cycloheptanonyl radical as is found $C_{a}=3.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ for 2-cycloheptanonyl radical and $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=\Delta H^{\boldsymbol{+}}+\mathrm{RT}$ $=3.70+0.60=4.30 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole for 2 -cyclohexanonyl radical. ${ }^{22}$ )

## III. Heterocyclic Oxygen Compounds

## A. Tetrahydrofuran in Adamantane

Tetrahydrofuran (THF) in adamantane was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ for three hours and ESR spectra taken at a series of temperatures up to $-10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ where it becomes unstable (Figure 23). The spectrum is a doublet of triplets which indicates that the radical is the 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical XVIII (a) and the ESR parameters at $-71^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ are $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=13.6 \mathrm{G}$ and $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=27.7 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent $\beta$ protons). At lower temperatures the two $\beta$ protons become nonequivalent with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=18.0 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=37.3 \mathrm{G}$.

The intensity of line 3 relative to line 2 was measured at various temperatures down to $-193^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ which is approximately the coalescence temperature. The values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus relative intensity are plotted in Figure 24 and values from this graph used for the Arrhenius plot of Figure 25. The slope and intercept of the straight line of Figure 25 lead to the values $E_{a}=2.2 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{0}=6.9 \times 10^{13}$ for the ring inversion process.


Figure 23. ESR spectra of 2-tetrahydrofuran yl radical in adamantane.



Figure 25. Plot of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus $1 / T^{0} \mathrm{~K}$ for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical in adamantane.

## B. Tetrahydropyran in Adamantane

A solid solution of tetrahydropyran in adamantane was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and the ESR spectra collected at various temperatures. At very low temperatures the spectrum consists of eight lines of equal intensity [Figure $26(\mathrm{c})$ ]. This is accounted for if the radical produced is the expected 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical XVIII (b) with a rigid conformation so that the $\beta$ protons are not equivalent. The ESR

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XVIII (a) 2-Tetrahydrofuranyl radical

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XVIII(b) 2-Tetrahydropyranyl radical
parameters are $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=16.1 \mathrm{G}, a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=40.0 \mathrm{G}$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)=5.0 \mathrm{G}$. On warming, four of the lines broaden and their peak heights become smaller as shown in Figure 26 (b) taken at $-90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. At $-11^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ they have disappeared and only four lines of equal intensity remain [Figure $26(a)$ ] with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=16.1 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{1}}\right)+\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=45 \mathrm{G}$.

The spectrum analysis may be carried out in the usual way by writing the nuclear spin orientations for three nonequivalent protons $H_{\alpha}$, $H_{B_{1}}=H_{a}$, and $H_{B_{2}}=H_{e}$ where $H_{a}, H_{e}$ indicate "axial" and "equatorial" type $\beta$ protons [Table 13]. The corresponding stick plot for the spectra of 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical are shown in Figure 27.

Table 13. Spin orientations for 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical under conditions of slow and fast ring inversion.

| Spin <br> State | $H_{\alpha}$ | $H_{a}$ | $H_{e}$ | $\left(H-H_{e}\right)_{\text {Low Temp. }}^{*}$ | $\left(H-H_{e}\right)_{H i g h ~ T e m p . ~}^{* *}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | - | - | - | $-\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}+a_{a}+a_{e}\right)$ | $\left(-a_{\alpha} / 2\right)-a_{a v .}$ |
| 2 | - | - | $+\cdots$ | $-\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}+a_{a}-a_{e}\right)$ | $-a_{\alpha} / 2$ |
| 3 | - | + | - | $-\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}-a_{a}+a_{e}\right)$ | $-a_{\alpha} / 2$ |
| 4 | - | + | + | $-\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}-a_{a}-a_{e}\right)$ | $\left(-a_{\alpha} / 2\right)+a_{a v .}$ |
| 5 | + | - | - | $+\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}-a_{a}-a_{e}\right)$ | $\left(+a_{\alpha} / 2\right)-a_{a v .}$. |
| 6 | + | - | + | $+\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}-a_{a}+a_{e}\right)$ | $+a_{\alpha} / 2$ |
| 7 | + | + | - | $+\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}+a_{a}-a_{e}\right)$ | $+a_{\alpha} / 2$ |
| 8 | + | + | + | $+\frac{1}{2}\left(a_{\alpha}+a_{a}+a_{e}\right)$ | $\left(+a_{\alpha} / 2\right)+a_{a v .}$ |

${ }^{H}=H_{e}+m_{a} a_{a}+m_{e} a_{e}$ to first order, where $H_{e}$ is the magnetic field at the center of the spectrum in Gauss, $a_{\alpha}$ is the $\alpha$-proton hyperfine splitting, $a_{a}$ and $a_{e}$ are axial and equatorial $h f s$, respectively, $m_{a}, m_{e}$ are the proton spin quantum numbers, and + indicates $m=+\frac{1}{2}$, - indicates $m=-\frac{1}{2}$.
${ }^{* *} a_{a v .}=\left(a_{a}+a_{e}\right) / 2$.


Figure 26. ESR spectra of 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical in adamantane.
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\text { radical in adamantane. The numbers refer to the nuclear spin states of Table } 13 .
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Exchange of $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{e}$ by ring inversion would interchange spin states 2 and 3 and 6 and 7 of Figure 27 and lead to the changes in spectra with temperature observed with the eight line calculated spectrum of Figure 27 corresponding to the observed spectrum at $-142^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ of Figure 26. The high temperature triplet of triplets of Figure 27(a) should be observed when ring inversion is sufficiently rapid to make the two $\beta$ protons equivalent. However, the radicals decay before a high enough temperature can be reached and the spectrum of Figure 26(a) taken at $-11^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ corresponds to the intermediate region of Figure 27, where lines $2,3,6,7$ are sufficiently broadened by inversion to be unobservable. Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus relative peak intensity for 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical were obtained using program ESREX4 (Table 14 and Figure 28). The values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ obtained using this graph plus the experimental intensities at different temperatures are given in Table 15 and are plotted graphically in Figure 29. The activation energy for ring inversion is $E_{a}=3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and the frequency factor $(1 / \tau)_{0}=3.9 \times 10^{11} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ from the slope and intercept of Figure 29.
C. Dioxane in Adamantane

A solid solution of dioxane in adamantane was $\gamma$ irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and the ESR spectra studied over a range of temperatures up to about $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ where decay of the radical becomes rapid. At $-82^{\circ}$ [Figure $30(c)$ ] eight 1 ines of approximately equal intensity were observed characteristic of a radical with three different proton splittings. The 1,4 -dioxanyl radical VI appears to be the only radical

Table 14. Calculated values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2 -tetrahydropyranyl radical in adamantane.

| $\log _{10}(1 / \tau)$ | $F(\omega)$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| +9.0 | 0.50 |
| 8.6 | 0.09 |
| 8.2 | 0.01 |
| 7.8 | 0.17 |
| 7.4 | 0.47 |
| 7.0 | 0.73 |
| 6.6 | 0.88 |
| 6.2 | 0.95 |
| 5.8 | 0.98 |
| 5.4 | 0.99 |

Table 15. Experimental values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures and the corresponding calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical in adamantane. $a, b$

| $\mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ | $\mathrm{F}(\omega)$ | $\log (1 / \tau)$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -58 | 4.65 | 0.00 | 8.20 |
| -68 | 4.88 | 0.38 | 7.52 |
| -75 | 5.05 | 0.43 | 7.46 |
| -85 | 5.32 | 0.56 | 7.29 |
| -94 | 5.59 | 0.69 | 7.09 |
| -102 | 5.85 | 0.80 | 6.88 |
| -109 | 6.10 | 0.82 | 6.66 |
| -120 | 6.54 | 0.96 | 6.05 |
| -131 | 7.04 | 1.00 | 5.70 |

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Figure 29. Plot of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus $1 / T^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ for 2 -tetrahydropyranyl radical in adamantane.

Figure 30. ESR spectra of 1,4 -dioxanyl radical in adamantane (a) at $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, (b) at $-61^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$,
present and the hyperfine splittings may be assigned to one $\alpha$ proton, $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=17.3 \mathrm{G}$ and two unequal $\beta$ protons, $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=8.9 G$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)=$ 39.5 G ; the g value is 2.0034 .

On warming the intensities of lines 2 and 4 decrease while lines 1 and 3 remain invariant (Figure 27). At $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the spectrum is approaching the high-temperature limit [Figure 27 (a)] with the $\beta$ protons equivalent. The temperature dependence of the spectrum was analyzed as described above for 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical using the ratio of the intensity of line 2 to line 1 . Calculated values of the relative intensities versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for the 2-dioxanyl radical were obtained using ESREX4 and are plotted in Figure 31. Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ at measured temperatures were then plotted versus $1 / T^{\circ} K$ in Figure 32 from which $E_{a}=3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{0}=6.5 \times 10^{10}$ for the ring inversion process.

## IV. Heterocyclic Sulfur Compounds

## A. Tetrahydrothiophene in Adamantane

A sample was $X$-irradiated at room temperature and ESR spectra recorded from room temperature, where the radical is reasonably stable, down to $-188^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The room temperature spectrum [Figure $33(\mathrm{a})$ ] is a triplet of triplets (plus some weaker unidentified lines) indicating that the principal radical is the 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radical XIX; the hyperfine splittings $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=16.0 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=25.5 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent


Figure 32. Plot of $\log (1 / \tau)$ versus $1 / T^{0} \mathrm{~K}$ for 1,4 -dioxanyl radical in adamantane.


Figure 33. ESR spectra of 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radical in adamantane.


XIX
protons), are consistent with this assignment. On lowering the temperature the two central lines decrease in intensity, vanishing at the coalescence temperature, $-104^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. At lower temperatures the $\beta$ protons become nonequivalent with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=37.4 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)=19.0 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\gamma}\right)=4.8$ G and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=15.0 \mathrm{G}$ at $-171^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. (Figure $33(\mathrm{c})$ ). At intermediate temperatures the ratio of intensities of one of the central lines to one of the outer lines was measured. Calculated values of this ratio were plotted versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ [Figure 34] and values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ corresponding to the observed relative intensities were then plotted versus $1 / \mathrm{T}^{0} \mathrm{~K}$ [Figure 35]. The slope and intercept of the best straight line of the Arrhenius plot [Figure 35] leads to the activation energy for ring inversion, $E_{a}=2.7 \pm 0.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, and the frequency factor, $(1 / \tau)_{0}=9.8 \times 10^{11} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$.

A sample of tetrahydrothiophene was distilled three times, degassed and sealed under vacuum in a quartz tube. After $\gamma$-irradiation at liquid nitrogen temperature, ESR spectra were taken at various higher temperatures. At $-102^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ only very broad lines were observed and above $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ these vanished so no radical products could be identified.



A sample was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and spectra recorded while the sample was warming up. At $-92^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ an eight line spectrum characteristic of the 2 -tetrahydrothiopyranyl radical $X X$ was obtained
[Figure 36] along with several unidentified lines. The ESR parameters


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from this spectrum are $a\left(H_{E_{1}}\right)=4.2 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=42.8 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=18.1 \mathrm{G}$ and $g=2.0042 \pm 0.0002$. The radicals recombine rapidly above $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and have disappeared at $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. They are much less stable than the 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radicals (XIX) and spectra showing temperature dependence of line intensities could not be obtained.

## V. Heterocyclic Nitrogen Compounds

A. Pyrrolidine in adamantane

A sample was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and ESR spectra recorded While gradually warming to room temperature. The spectra at various temperatures between $-190^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $-32^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ are shown in Figure 37 and all appear to arise from the 10 pyrrolidinyl radical XXI . At higher temperatures $\left(-32^{\circ}\right)$ the four $\beta$ protons are equivalent with


 in Adamantane

(a)


20 G


Figure 37. ESR spectra of 1-pyrrolidinyl radical in adamantane. Lines used for measurement of relative intensity are indicated by arrows.
$a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=40.1 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left({ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}\right)=14.5 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{g}=2.0048$. At very low temperatures (below $-173^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ ) the $\beta$ protons appear to become nonequivalent with two having $a\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{1}}\right)=27.0 \mathrm{G}$ and two $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)=54.2 \mathrm{G}$ since these parameters, along with the value $a\left({ }^{14} N\right)=13.5 \mathrm{G}$, account for the positions of the lines of Figure 37 (f).

The temperature dependence of the spectra has been employed to study the ring motion. The intensity of the central line of the next-to-outer triplet relative to the central line of the outer triplet was measured at each temperature (the $m_{I}= \pm 1$ lines of the nitrogen triplets change intensity relative to the $m_{I}=0$ line and so could not be used) and values are given in Table 16 along with the calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ corresponding to the measured relative intensities. The calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for various relative intensities were calculated by use of ESREX4 and are given in Table 17 and plotted graphically in Figure 38. An Arrhenius plot $\log \left(1 / \tau_{c}\right)$ versus $1 / T^{0} K$ is shown in Figure 39 and leads to an activation energy for ring inversion, $E_{a}=2.9 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, and $(1 / \tau)_{0}=6.5 \times 10^{12} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$.

This radical (XXI) is stable to $-10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. A sample of pyrrolidine in adamantane irradiated at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ gives the spectrum of another radical. B. Piperidine in Adamantane

A sample was $X$-irradiated at room temperature and the spectrum recorded immediately [Figure 40]. The basic spectrum, neglecting some unidentified lines, is a doublet of doublets resulting from two different splittings by single protons each line of which is further split by interaction with ${ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}$ into triplets. By analogy

Table 16. Calculated values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ versus $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 1 -pyrrolidinyl radical in adamantine.

| $\log _{10}(1 / \tau)$ | $F(\omega)$ |
| ---: | :--- |
| +11.0 | 1.98 |
| 10.5 | 1.94 |
| 10.0 | 1.82 |
| 9.5 | 1.49 |
| 9.0 | 0.83 |
| 8.5 | 0.16 |
| 8.0 | 0.04 |
| 7.5 | 0.37 |
| 7.0 | 0.72 |
| 6.5 | 0.90 |
| 6.0 | 0.97 |
| 5.5 | 0.99 |

Table 17. Experimental values of relative intensities $F(\omega)$ at various temperatures and the corresponding calculated values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ for 2-pyrrolidinyl radical in adamantine. $a, b$ ( $1 / \tau$ ) for 2 pyriolingl radical in

| $\mathbf{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $1 / \mathrm{T}^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$ | $\mathrm{F}(\omega)$ | $\log (1 / \tau)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -51 | 4.50 | 1.80 | 10.0 |
| -94 | 5.59 | 1.29 | 9.32 |
| -110 | 6.13 | 0.86 | 9.04 |
| -120 | 6.54 | 0.38 | 8.70 |
| -132 | 7.09 | 0.20 | 8.41 |
| -143 | 7.69 | 0.0 | 8.00 |
| -163 | 9.10 | 0.35 | 7.41 |
| -173 | 10.00 | 0.55 | 7.21 |

a Values of $F(\omega)$ are from Figure 37.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ are from Figure 38.



with the temperature-dependent spectra of the 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical [Figure 27 and Table 13] this spectrum can be assigned to the 2-piperidinyl radical XXII in an intermediate temperature region


XXII
where the ring motion leads to low intensities for certain lines. The ESR parameters $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=13.7 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left({ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}\right)=3.4 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{1}}\right)+\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{B}_{2}}\right)=$ 41.9 G and $\mathrm{g}=2.0030$ were obtained on this assumption. Microwave saturation studies indicate that lines from a second radical are present and the activation energy for ring inversion could not be Obtained because of overlapping lines.

## VI. Other Alicyclic Compounds

## A. Cyclopentyl Chloride in Adamantane

A sample of cydopentyl chloride in adamantane was X -irradiated at room temperature and the spectrum recorded immediately [Figure 41]. It may be analyzed as a quintet of triplets each line of which shows a small doublet splitting and the ESR parameters $a\left(H_{1}\right)=2.7 \mathrm{G}$, $\mathbf{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right)=14.3 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent protons), $a\left(\mathrm{H}_{3}\right)=22.2 \mathrm{G}$ (four equivalent protons) and $g=2.0029$ indicate that the radical is the cyclopentenyl radical I.


Figure 41. ESR spectrum of cyclopentenyl radical from a sample of cyclopentyl chloride in adamantane irradiated at room temperature.


Figure 42. ESR spectrum of cyclopentenyl radical from a sample of cyclopentyl bromide in adamantine irradiated at room temperature.

## B. Cyclopentyl Bromide in Adamantane

A sample $X$-irradiated at room temperature gave a spectrum [Figure 42] very similar to that of the cyclopentenyl radical in Figure 41, and the ESR parameters obtained are almost identical, with $a\left(H_{1}\right)=2.7 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2}\right)=14.3 \mathrm{G}$ (two equivalent protons): $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{j}}\right)=22.2 \mathrm{G}$ (four equivalent protons; and $g=2.0027$.
C. Cyclopentane in Adamantane

A sample irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ gave the spectrum shown in Figure $43(\mathrm{a})$ at $-121^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. This is a doublet of quintets characteristic of cyclopentane radical (XXIII) in the region of fast ring inversion with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=21.42 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)=35.6 \mathrm{G}$, and $\mathrm{g}=2.0031$. At $-187^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ the spectrum changed to that of Figure $43(\mathrm{~b})$ indicating that ring inversion is slow with $E_{a}=2.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{o}=1.46 \times 10^{12} \mathrm{sec}^{-1}$ found as above with $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha}\right)=21.1 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta 1}\right)=25.2 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta 2}\right)=45.6 \mathrm{G}$. D. Cyclopentanol in Adamantane

A sample X-irradiated at room temperature gave a complex room temperature ESR spectrum which must arise from two or more radicals (Figure 44). The values $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=27.6 \mathrm{G}$ (four equivalent protons) and $\mathrm{g}=2.0033$ indicates that one of the products is radical XXIV undergoing rapid inversion at room temperature. The low-temperature spectra could not be interpreted so no information concerning the ring inversion process could be obtained for 1-hydroxycyclopentyl radical. E. 1,2-Dichlorotetrafluorocyclobutene in Adamantane

A sample was $\gamma$-irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and the spectra observed at various temperatures. At $-50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the spectrum of Figure 45 (a) was obtained and analysis of the spectrum by computer simulation using ESR was

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Figure 44. ESR spectrum of the 1 -hydroxycyclopentyl radical in adamantane at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The line attributed to other radicals.


Figure 45. (a) ESR spectrum at $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ of radical produced by irradiation of 1,2 -dichlorotetrafluorocyclobutene in adamantane,
(b), (c), (d) simulated spectra using the parameters of Table 18 (b), (c) and (d), respectively.

XXIII

XXIV

XXV

XXVI
attempted. The observed relative intensities of the outer four lowfield and high-field lines are nearly $1: 2: 3: 4$ and suggest strongly that these are part of a septet arising from two equivalent chlorine atoms with $\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{Cl})=4.1 \mathrm{G}$ and predicted relative intensities 1:2:3:4: 3:2:1. The fluorine hyperfine splittings cannot all be equal, nor are there two pairs, since the overall pattern suggests a quartet rather than a quintet. We have therefore considered several cases for spectrum simulation. These include (a) three equivalent fluorines and two different chlorines, (b) two equivalent fluorines and two nonequivalent fluorines plus two equivalent chlorines, (c) four nonequivalent fluorines and two equivalent chlorines, (d) three fluorines of one kind and one of another plus two equivalent chlorines and (e) three different fluorines and two different chlorines. ESR parameters giving the best overall fit of calculated to observed spectra are given in Table 18 (b), (c) and (d) for each of the above cases (based on structure $X X V$ ) and simulated spectra obtained with these Parameters are shown in Figure $45(\mathrm{~b})-(\mathrm{d})$. All agree within experimental error with the experimental spectrum of Figure $45(\mathrm{a})$. The sets (a) and (e) of Table 18 correspond to a radical $\mathrm{C}_{-1} \mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{~F}_{3} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ (XXVI) formed by loss of one fluorine while the other sets are for a radical cation Or anion $\mathrm{C}_{-} \mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{~F}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(X X V)$. Although the latter reproduce the experimental spectrum better, it is possible to obtain a similar fit by allowing the relative intensities in cases (a) and (e) to deviate from the theoretical values. Since internal motions in the radical could cause Such deviations, XXV must be considered a possible structure.

Table 18. Some sets of $E S R$ parameters giving calculated spectra in good agreement with the observed spectra for the radical in irradiated $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{~F}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Case* | $a\left(F_{1}\right)$ | $a\left(F_{2}\right)$ | $a\left(F_{3}\right)$ | $a\left(F_{4}\right)$ | $a\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{1}\right)$ | $a\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{2}\right)$ |
| (a) | $36.9(3)^{\dagger}$ |  |  | $4.1(1)$ | $8.2(1)$ |  |
| (b) | $40.0(1)$ | $32.6(2)$ | $15.8(1)$ |  | $4.1(2)$ |  |
| (c) | $40.0(1)$ | $36.6(1)$ | $28.6(1)$ | $15.8(1)$ | $4.1(2)$ |  |
| (d) | $36.4(3)$ | $11.7(1)$ |  |  | $4.1(2)$ |  |
| (e) | $69.7(1)$ | $28.7(1)$ | $12.4(1)$ |  | $4.1(1)$ | $5.2(1)$ |

*The four cases correspond to those in the text and the first three to simulated spectra in Figure 45.
${ }^{+}$All values in Gauss. Numbers in parenthesis after each hyperfine splitting are the numbers of equivalent atoms with that value of a.

## DISCUSSION

## I. Some Properties of the Adamantane Matrix

Adamantane (XXVII) has been shown to provide a rigid, nonpolar matrix with spherical holes so the radicals, which substitute for adamantane molecules, can rotate freely and give isotropic ESR spectra. The radicals tend to be stable for several hours at room temperature and spectra can be obtained over a wide temperature range. ${ }^{17}$ In order


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to obtain isotropic spectra with good signal-to-noise ratio the precursor must dissolve sufficient adamantane and the radicals produced must be able to rotate freely in the holes. There is apparently a maximum size molecule that can be accommodated in the matrix. In this work it has been found that l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical gives excellent spectra but l-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical is apparently too large to rotate freely and only anisotropic spectra are obtained.

With straight chain radicals six or seven carbon atoms is
often the upper limit for radicals which can be accommodated. ${ }^{17}$ There is also a lower limit, since small radicals can diffuse and recombine, and this may explain our failure to observe radicals from 1,2-dichloroethane. In other cases, particularly highly polar molecules such as 2-pyrrolidone,
piperazine, pyrrole and 2,4-pentanedione, the precursor does not appear to dissolve any adamantane.

Adamantane itself yields 2-adamantyl radicals on irradiation ${ }^{95,96}$ but not l-adamantyl or any other radicals. If impure adamantane is used the impurities give ESR spectra and these have often been mistaken for adamantyl radicals. 97 Where the radical precursors employed yield radicals of greater stability than 2-adamantyl, the 2-adamantyl radicals disappear, probably by abstracting a hydrogen atom from the precursor, and only the spectrum of the radicals from the precursor are observed. However, 2-adamantyl would not normally be observed in this research since it gives only a broad doublet which would be almost completely discriminated against in the second-derivative presentation used here.

Hydrogen atoms appear to be produced from both adamantane and the precursor molecules on irradiation. They diffuse readily and transfer the radiation damage. Larger groups do not appear to be lost probably because of the cage effect. Thus, C-C and C-N bonds are not usually broken and groups such as carboxyl (in cyclopentanecarboxylic acid) are retained. While chlorine and bromine are lost from the cyclopentyl halides, this may be the result of splitting out HCl or HBr from the radical first produced (by loss of one hydrogen) followed by diffusion of the small molecule out of the cage.

The unusual stability of most radicals observed here must Fesult from the slowness of diffusion out of the cage of neighboring edamantane molecules and also stability of the radical with respect to $\boldsymbol{Z}$-adamantyl radical which could always be produced by hydrogen abstraction
if it were favored. 1-Cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical was found to be particularly stable, disappearing only at $75^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in adamantane (but $5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in the pure acid matrix). Several radicals could be studied up to $50-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and disappeared only slowly even at these elevated temperatures. On the other hand the radical from 2-pentamethylene sulfide disappears even at $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and may be an example of a radical which is less stable than 2-adamantyl and so is labile in the adamantane matrix. Where the odd electron can be delocalized over several atoms, as in the cyclic carboxylic acid radicals, the radicals may be more stable.

When the precursor itself forms plastic crystals, freely rotating radicals may sometimes be obtained on irradiation of the pure solid at tmperatures above the transition point at which free rotation of the molecules occurs. In the present investigation isotropic spectra for the radicals from cyclobutanecarboxylic acid, cyclopentanecarboxylic acid and cyclohexanecarboxylic acid were obtained by irradiation of the pure solids.
II. ESR Parameters for Cyclic Radicals

Sixteen alicyclic radicals, which have been produced in this investigation by $\gamma$-irradiation of alicyclic compounds in an adamantane matrix, are listed in Table 19. Where the $\beta$ proton hyperfine interactions show a temperature dependence, the values are given at both the lowest and highest temperatures attained. Dihedral angles expected for B protons for various "ideal" conformations are given in Table 20 and the Preferred conformations of the radicals studied, based on the observed Values of $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)$, are listed in Table 21. Table 22 summarizes the experimental values of the barriers to ring inversion determined in this work.
Table 19, ESR parameters in solid matrices obtained in this work and in related literature studies.

| Radical | $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)$ Gaus $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right), a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$ | ${ }^{a}$ $\left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)\right\rangle$ | $\begin{aligned} & a\left(H_{\alpha}\right) \\ & a \text { (other) } \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{g}^{\text {b }}$ | Matrix ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-Cyclopentanecarboxylic acid | Carboxylic Acid | Radicals |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 22.1 \\ & 41.0 \end{aligned}\left(-193^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $31.5\left(+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | - | 2.0037 | A | This work |
|  | 22.5 42.1 $\left(-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 31.8 (R.T.) |  |  | CPCANa | 35 |
|  | 21.6 42.3 $\left(4.2-77{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ |  |  |  | CPDCA | 39 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 28.3 \\ & 34.0 \end{aligned}\left(-36^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $31.3\left(0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  |  | N | This work |
| 1-Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid | $\begin{aligned} 42.1 & \left(-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \\ & \left(\beta_{1}+\beta_{2}\right) \end{aligned}$ | $21.1\left(+0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 2.0032 | CHCA | This work |
|  | 37 5 (-120 $\left.{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $20.9\left(30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 2.0029 | CHCA | 37 |
| 1-Cyclobutanecarboxylic acid |  | $\begin{aligned} & 32.9\left(-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \\ & 31.8(\text { R.T. }) \end{aligned}$ |  | 2.0049 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{N} \\ & \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ | This work This work |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 37-40 \\ & 20-25 \end{aligned}\left(4^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31.9\left(25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \\ & 32.0\left(27^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \end{aligned}$ | $a\left({ }^{13} C\right)=38^{c}$ |  | CBDCA CBCANa | $\begin{aligned} & 39 \\ & 35 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1-Cyclopropanecarboxylic acid |  | $24.1\left(25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=49^{\mathrm{c}}$ |  | CPDCA | 39 |

Table 19 (continued)

| Radical | $\begin{array}{r} a\left(H_{B}\right) G a r \\ a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right), a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right) \end{array}$ | $c^{\mathbf{a}}$ $\left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)\right\rangle$ | $\begin{aligned} & a\left(H_{\alpha}\right) \\ & a(\text { other }) \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{g}^{\text {b }}$ | Matrix ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1-Cycloheptanecarboxylic } \\ & \text { acid } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17.9 \\ & 22.5 \end{aligned}\left(25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  |  | 2.0036 | A | This work |
|  | 2-Alkanonyl R | icals |  |  |  |  |
| 2-Cyclopentanony1 |  | $36.0\left(-24^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 18.5 | 2.0046 | A | This work |
|  |  | $36.1\left(-18^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 18.7 | 2.0047 | A |  |
|  |  | 37.0 | 17.9 |  | Sol'n | 32 |
|  |  | 38.1 (19 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | 18.0 |  | Sol'n | 33 |
| 2-Cyclohexanonyl | $\begin{aligned} & 20.4 \\ & 44.1 \end{aligned}\left(143^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ |  | 18.2 |  | A | 22 |
| 2-Cycloheptanony1 | $\simeq 19.1$ $\simeq 38.2$$\left(-146{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $28.8\left(+3^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 18.5 | 2.0042 | A | This work |
| 2-Cyclobutanonyl |  | $35.6\left(220^{\circ} \mathrm{K}\right)$ | 19.0 |  | A | 22 |
|  | Heteroalicycl | Radicals |  |  |  |  |
| 2-Tetrahydrofuranyl | 18.0 37.3 $\left(-193{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $27.7\left(-71^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 13.6 | 2.0034 | A | This work |
|  | $38\left(-196{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $28.5\left(-13^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 13 |  | A | 41 |

Table 19 (continued)

| Radical | $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right) \text { Gauss }^{2}$ |  |  |  | Matrix | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right), a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$ | $<a\left(H_{B}\right)>$ | a (other) | $\mathrm{g}^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |
| 2-Tetrahydropyranyl | $\begin{array}{r} 40.0 \\ 5.0 \end{array}\left(-142^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $B_{1}+\beta_{2}=45\left(-11^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ | ) 16.1 | 2.0029 | A | This work |
|  | 40.8 6.6 $\left(-100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 15.9 |  | Frozen <br> Sol'n | 32 |
| 1,4-Dioxanyl | 39.5 8.9 $\left(-82^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | - | 17.3 | 2.0034 | A | This work |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 38.75 \\ 8.4 \end{gathered}\left(-88^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 22.7 (R.T) | 17.38(R.T.) |  | Sol'n | 98 |
| 2-Tetrahydrothiophenyl | $\underline{19.0} 4.8\left(-188^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 25.5 (R.T.) | 16.0 | 2.0044 | A | This work |
|  | 41.8 8.5 $\left(-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 16.0 |  | A | 44 |
| 2-Tetrahydrothiopyranyl | 4.2 42.8 $\left(-92^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 18.1 | 2.0042 | A | This work |
| 1-Pyrrolidinyl | 27.0 54.2 $\left(-173{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40.1\left(-32^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \\ & 39 \text { (R.T.) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & a\left({ }^{14} N\right)=14.0 \\ & a\left({ }^{14} N\right)=14.4 \end{aligned}$ | 2.0048 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{A} \\ & \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ | This work 52 |

Table 19 (continued

| Radical | $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right) \text { Gauss }^{\mathrm{a}}$ |  |  |  | Matrix | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right), a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$ | $<\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\boldsymbol{B}}\right)>$ | a (other) | $\mathrm{g}^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |
| 2-Piperidinyl | $(40.0)^{\text {e }}$ | $\beta_{1}+\beta_{2}=41.9$ | $\begin{aligned} & 13.7 \\ & \mathrm{a}\left({ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}\right)=3.4 \end{aligned}$ | 2.0030 | A | This work |
|  | Other Radicals |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-Hydroxy-1-cyclopentyl |  | $27.6\left(25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 2.0033 | A | This work |
| Cyclopentyl | ${ }_{45.7}^{22.8}\left(-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ |  | 22.8 |  |  | 29(25) |
|  |  | $35.6\left(-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 22.1 | 2.0032 | A | This work |
| Cyclopentenyl |  | $22.2\left(25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2.7 \\ 14.3 \end{array}$ | 2.0029 | A | This work |
|  |  | 21.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 3.1 \\ 14.0 \end{array}$ |  | A | 62 |

[^6] carboxylic acid.
$e_{\text {Value }}$ from Reference 122.
Table 20,
gles for $\beta$ Protons for Radicals in Some Ideal Conformations

| Conformation | $\theta_{1}$ | $\theta_{2}$ | Comment | Reference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Four-membered Rings (one sp ${ }^{2}$ center) |  |  |  |  |
| Planar | $24.7{ }^{\circ}$ | 24.70 |  |  |
| Puckered | $31.5{ }^{\circ}$ | 17.30 | Puckering angle $\boldsymbol{n}=10^{\circ}$ | 120 |
| Puckered | $38.4{ }^{\circ}$ | $10.4{ }^{\circ}$ | Puckering angle $\eta=20^{\circ}$ | 120 |
| Five-membered Rings (one sp ${ }^{2}$ center) |  |  |  |  |
| Planar | 30 | 30 |  |  |
| Envelope ( $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{s}}$ ) | 60 | 0 | Ref. 33 gives $70^{\circ},-10^{\circ}$ | 33 |
| Twist-chair ${ }^{\text {s }}$ ( $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ ) | 50 | 10 |  | 33 |
| Five-membered Rings (two sp ${ }^{2}$ centers) |  |  |  |  |
| Planar | 30 | 30 |  |  |
| Envelope ( $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{s}}$ ) | 60 | 0 | Puckering angle $n=30^{\circ}$ | 120 |
| Six-membered Rings (one sp ${ }^{2}$ center) |  |  |  |  |
| Chair | 90 | -30 |  |  |
| Boat | 90 | -30 |  |  |
| Twist-boat | 60 | 0 |  |  |
| Six-membered Rings (two sp ${ }^{2}$ centers) |  |  |  |  |
| Half-chair | 450 | $15^{\circ}$ |  | 33 |
| Seven-membered Rings (one sp ${ }^{2}$ center) |  |  |  |  |
| Chair or boat | $90^{\circ}$ | -30 |  |  |
| Twist-chair (symmetrical) | $75^{\circ}$ | -150 |  | 32 |
| Twist-chair (unsymmetrical) | 60 90 | -60 -30 |  | 32 |
| Seven-membered Rings (two sp ${ }^{2}$ centers) |  |  |  |  |
| Chair | $90^{\circ}$ | $-30{ }^{\circ}$ | If $\mathrm{C}_{4}, \mathrm{C}_{5}$ of XIVa are $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ | 104 |


Table 21 (continued)

Table 21 (continued)

| Radical | Matrix | ${ }^{( } \mathrm{H}_{0}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{gathered} a\left(H_{B_{1}}\right), a\left(H_{B_{2}}\right) \\ \left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)\right\rangle \end{gathered}$ | $\frac{a\left(H_{B_{1}}\right)}{a\left(H_{B_{2}}\right)}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \theta_{1}, \theta_{2} \\ & \langle\theta\rangle \end{aligned}$ | B | Probable Preferred Conformation | Reforence |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A | 13.7 | 0.61 | <B> $=21$ | 0.025 | $-18^{\circ}, 78^{\circ}$ | 44.2 | Chair | This work ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
|  | A | $\begin{aligned} & H_{1}=2.7 \\ & H_{2}=14.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.12 \\ & 0.64 \end{aligned}$ | $\langle B\rangle=22.2$ |  |  |  | Planar | This work |

The calculated quantities in this table were obtained as follows: (1) $\rho_{\pi}=a\left(H_{a}\right) / 22.5 ; \cos ^{2} \theta_{1} / \cos ^{2} \theta_{2}=a\left(H_{B_{1}}\right) / a\left(H_{B_{2}}\right) ; \theta_{1}, \theta_{2} a n d B$ from the equation $B \cos ^{2} \theta=a\left(H_{B}\right)$ and the assumption $\theta_{1}+\theta_{2}=60^{\circ}$. Where only $\left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)>\right.$ is available, values of $\theta_{1}$, $\theta_{2}$, $B$ are estimates taken from a graph of values of $\left\langle a\left(H_{B}\right)\right\rangle$ versus $\theta ; \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ aro defined as in figure 4 .
 cAngle of puckering $n$ is as defined in Reference 120.
${ }^{d}$ The values of $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ and $B$ vere obtained using our data and the value $a\left(H_{B_{1}}\right)=40 G$ from Reference 122.

Table 22. Activation energies, $E_{a}$, and frequency factors, $(1 / \tau)_{0}$, for ring inversion in some alicyclic
radicals.
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Table 22. (continued)
$\left.\begin{array}{llllll}\hline \text { Radical } & \text { Matrix }^{\text {a }} & \mathrm{E}_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathrm{kcal/mole}) & (1 / \tau)_{0} \mathrm{sec}^{-1} & \text { Reference }\end{array}\right]$.

[^7]Table 23. Kinetic parameters for ring inversion in some alicyclic compounds obtained from dynamic NMR.*

| Compounds | $\begin{gathered} \Delta G^{\ddagger} \\ (\mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \Delta H^{\ddagger} \\ (\mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}) \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cyclohexane | 10.1 | $11.5 \pm 2$ |
|  | 10.3 | $9.1 \mp 0.5$ |
|  | 10.25 | $10.71 \pm 0.04$ |
| Fluorocyclohexane | 10.14 | $9.87 \pm 0.1$ |
| Cyclohexanol | $11.7 \pm 1$ | - |
| Cyclohexanone-3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5-d ${ }_{5}$ | $4.1 \pm 0.1$ | - |
| Cyclohexene-d 6 | 5.4 | - |
| Tetrahydropyran | 10.3 | - |
| Tetrahydrothiopyran | 9.4 | - |
| Piperidine | 10.4 | 14.1 |
| Cycloheptene | 5.0 | - |
| Cycloheptene oxide | 7.7 | - |
| Cyclooctane-d ${ }_{14}$ | 8.1 | 7.4 |
| 1,4-Dioxane-d 6 | 9.7 | - |

Barriers to ring inversion in molecules found by NMR are given in Table 23. Matrix effects are generally small and are difficult to evaluate accurately since they are often of the same order of magnitude as the experimental errors in the hyperfine splitting constants, which are of the order of $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{G}$ on the average. However, the l-cyclopentanecarboxyl radical has a conformation less distorted from planar by about $10^{\circ}$ in the self matrix than in adamantane (Table 19).

The hyperfine splittings for $\alpha$-hydrogens varied from 13.6 in 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical to 18.5 in 2-cycloheptanonyl and 2-cyclopentanonyl radicals. These values are considerably lower than that observed in the planar $\pi$-electron methyl radical ( 23 G ) or in cyclic hydrocarbon radicals such as cyclohexyl (21.15 G). Several factors may contribute to the decrease - the cyclic radicals may not be planar at the trivalent carbon atom, electronegative heteroatoms or substituent groups may decrease the odd electron density on the trivalent carbon atom and delocalization of the odd electron onto substituents or heteroatoms with $\pi$ electrons may become possible. If the McConnell equation [Equation 15] is applied the spin densities on trivalent carbon may be estimated in these radicals and range from 0.8 in the 2-cycloalkanonyl radicals to 0.6 in 2 -tetrahydrofuranyl radical.

The hyperfine splittings for the $\beta$-hydrogens of cyclic radicals depend on ring conformation and the dihedral angles between the axis of the $p$ orbital containing the odd electron and the $-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}_{8}$ bonds can be obtained from the data using Equation 16. The constants
$B$ and $B_{0}$ of this equation are not known too well for cyclic radicals because the dihedral angles cannot be measured experimentally. In this work $B_{0}=0$ is assumed, along with the relationship $\theta_{1}+\theta_{2}=60^{\circ}$, and values of $B$ and $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ are obtained from the experimental values of $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$. These results will be discussed below. For the simplest $\pi$-electron radical with a freely rotating $\beta$-methyl group $a\left(H_{B}\right)=26.87 G$ and Equation 16 would give $B\left\langle\cos ^{2} \theta\right\rangle=\frac{B}{2}=26.87 G$ or $B=53.74 \mathrm{G}$. It has been shown ${ }^{11}$ that delocalization of the odd electron, which decreases the odd electron density in the $2 p_{\pi}$ orbital of the trivalent carbon, leads to lower values of $B$. Thus, for the radicals XXVIII and XXIX the $\beta$-methyl hyperfine splittings ${ }^{44}$ are


XXVIII


XXIX
19.0-19.5 $G$ and $B=38-39$. In the radicals studied here values of $B$ are generally in the range $40-48 \mathrm{G}$ or, if Equation 15 is employed along with the value $B=58 G^{11}, \rho_{\alpha} \simeq 0.7-0.8$ for these radicals. $a\left({ }^{14} N\right)$ is smaller, usually in the range $1.7-5.7 \mathrm{G}$ (Table 6). Nitrogen hyperfine splittings, when they can be resolved, are useful in assigning radical structures. When the odd electron is centered on a nitrogen atom in a $\pi$-electron radical, $a\left({ }^{14} N\right) \simeq 14.0-15.0 \mathrm{G}$, whereas if the odd electron is centered on an adjacent carbon atom $a\left({ }^{14} N\right)$ is smaller, usually in the range $1.7-5.7 \mathrm{G}$ (Table6).

The measured isotropic $g$ values given in Table 19 are generally somewhat larger than the free spin value (2.0023). This is attributed to spin-orbit interaction and values of $\Delta \mathrm{g}=\left(\mathrm{g}_{\mathrm{obs}}-2.0023\right)$ become larger when delocalization of the odd electron onto neighboring atoms, particularly heavier atoms, becomes more important. Thus, for planar $\pi$-radicals the successive substitution of hydrogen by an atom with an unshared pair of electrons, at positions where the spin density is appreciable, cause a progressive increase in the g-factor. ${ }^{94}$ The $g$-factors are often useful in the identification of radicals. For example, the values $\Delta g=0.0025$ for the radical from irradiated pyrrolidine and $\Delta \mathrm{g}=0.0007$ for the radical from piperdine indicate that the odd electron is centered on nitrogen in the former case but carbon in the latter case. The very large value $\Delta \mathrm{g}=0.0025$ for 2cyclohexanonyl radical has been shown ${ }^{53}$ to result from extensive delocalization of the odd electron onto oxygen - $25 \%$ as estimated from the ${ }^{17} 0$ hyperfine interaction. In otherwise similar radicals $\Delta g$ should be larger when delocalization is onto a heavier atom; $\Delta \mathrm{g}=0.0021$ for 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radical compared to $\Delta \mathrm{g}=0.0011$ for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl radical. However, an opposing decrease in $g$ occurs when the odd electron orbital acquires $s$ character and the radical becomes nonplanar. ${ }^{11}$
III. Alicyclic Carboxylic Acid Radicals

1-Cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical (XI) at $-193^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ gives an ESR spectrum (Figure $7(\mathrm{~h})$ ) which can be analyzed as a triplet of triplets with hyperfine splittings of 22 and 41 G . It is reasonable to assign these to two nonequivalent pairs of $\beta$ protons corresponding
to a cyclopentane ring frozen in a single conformation on the ESR time scale. The room temperature quintet can then be assigned to four equivalent $B$ protons resulting from rapid exchange between two equivalent conformations and the fact that the quintet splitting ( 31.3 G ) is just the average of the two low-temperature splittings tends to confirm this intepretation.

It will be assumed here that the radical at low temperature has either the "envelope" or "half-chair" conformation ${ }^{68}$ and that exchange between the two equivalent conformers XIa and XIb occurs at room temperature. The dihedral angles $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ between the direction of the odd electron 2 p orbital on carbon and the $\beta-C-H$ bonds may then be calculated from Equation 16. The simultaneous equations

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\begin{aligned}
& B \cos ^{2} \epsilon_{1}=22.0 \mathrm{G} \\
& B \cos ^{2} \epsilon_{2}=41.0 \mathrm{G} \\
& \theta_{1}+\theta_{2}=60^{\circ}
\end{aligned}
$$

lead to

$$
\theta_{1}=45^{\circ}, \epsilon_{2}=15^{\circ}, B=44 \mathrm{G} \text { ( Figure 4). }
$$

Gilbert and Trenwith ${ }^{33}$ have shown that for cyclic five-membered ring radicals in solution the ESR data are in better agreement with the $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ ("half-chair") conformations than with the $C_{s}$ ("envelope") conformations. Assuming no distortion from tetrahedral angles or from the ideal symmetry, the calculated values of $\theta_{1}$ and $\theta_{2}$ are $10^{\circ}$ and $50^{\circ}$ for the $C_{2}$ radical and $-10^{\circ}$ and $70^{\circ}$ for the $C_{s}$ radical. Our data agree better with the $C_{2}$ conformations for the l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical although the probable errors in such a calculation are rather large.

When pure cyclopentanecarboxylic acid was irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ the overall behavior of the spectra was similar but the hyperfine splitting constants at low temperature were more nearly equal with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=28.3 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)=34.0 \mathrm{G}$, and (at $\left.\left.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)<\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{B}\right)\right\rangle=31.1 \mathrm{G}$. From these one obtains $\theta_{1}=34^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=26^{\circ}$ and $B=41 \mathrm{G}$ by use of Equation 16. These values are much closer to the values $\theta_{1}=\theta_{2}=30^{\circ}$ expected for a planar radical than are the parameters for the same radical in adamantane. The molecule is thus less twisted from planar in the self matrix. Also, the assumption that $\theta_{1}+\theta_{2}=60^{\circ}$ may not be correct for cyclopentane derivatives but the $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ angles do not appear to have been determined precisely, the usual assumption being that they are tetrahedral.

The energy barrier restricting ring inversion in l-cyclopentanecarboxylic acid radical (XIa $\nrightarrow$ XIb) is found to be $E_{a}=1.43 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in adamantane. This is less than that found for cyclpentyl radical itself, ${ }^{31}$ also in adamantane, $E_{a}=2.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. In cyclopentane it has been estimated that the planar and puckered forms differ in energy by $5-6 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole} \mathrm{e}^{75,76}$ but there are no definite energy minima and maxima (such as XIa, XIb) since the puckering can move around the ring by pseudorotation with a change in internal energy of the molecule of the order of $\mathrm{RT}\left(0.6 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}\right.$ at $\left.25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$.

The 1-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical appears to not be produced in adamantane, possibly because of the steric factor. However, it is observed in the self matrix with low-temperature splittings $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=37 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)=5 \mathrm{G}$ and high-temperature $\left(+9^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ splitting
$\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=21.1 \mathrm{G}$. These values lead to dihedral angles (Figure 4) $\theta_{1}=69^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=-9^{\circ}$ and $B=39 \mathrm{G}$. The conformational change is presumably a chair $\underset{\leftarrow}{\rightarrow}$ chair inversion as in cyclohexane itself (XIIa $\underset{\leftarrow}{\rightarrow}$ XIIb). The energy barrier restricting ring inversion is found to be $E_{a}=3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ which is somewhat less than in cyclohexyl radical where $E_{a}=4.9 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole. ${ }^{27}$ The "coalescence" temperature (at which the high-temperature quintet splits into the low-temperature triplet of triplets) is also lower ( $-60^{\circ}$ ) for 1-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid radical than for cyclohexyl radical $\left(\sim 25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$.

The decrease in inversion barrier in going from cyclopentyl to 1-cyclopentanecarboxyl and from cyclohexyl to l-cyclohexanecarboxyl may result from delocalization of the odd electron onto the carboxyl groups of the acid radicals with resultant partial double bond character in the $\dot{\mathrm{C}}-\mathrm{COOH}$ carbon-carbon bond. This would tend to make the acid radicals planar at the trivalent carbon whereas the hydrocarbon radicals are believed to be nonplanar. Thus, the chair $\nrightarrow$ chair interconversion in cyclohexyl radical would be accompaned by an inversion whereas in l-cyclohexanecarboxyl it would not. At present the only carbon-13 splitting which has been reported for any of these radicals is the value $a\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right)=41 \mathrm{G}$ for cyclohexyl ${ }^{74}$ and this suggests that the radical is bent a few degrees from planarity. If $K_{o}$ is taken to have a value midway between that found for planar methyl radical ( 38 G ) ${ }^{10}$ and that calculated for a hypothetical planar tertiary radical ( 27 G ), 103 the use of Equation 17 would lead to $\theta=3.4^{\circ}$ for the bending from planarity in cyclohexyl.

For 1-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid radical (XIII) only an average $\beta$-hydrogen splitting, $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)>=31.8 \mathrm{G}\right.$, could be observed and no conditions could be found which would give further splitting of the lines corresponding to freezing out one ring conformation. The same radical in the single crystal matrix ${ }^{35,39}$ 1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid gave $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=32 \mathrm{G}$ at $300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and at low temperature one ring conformation was frozen out so that $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=36.4$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)$ $=27.8 \mathrm{G}$ at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. Apparently even at the lowest temperatures accessible in adamantane the ring inversion remains rapid on the ESR time scale.

The results for $\gamma$-irradiated cycloheptanecarboxylic acid in adamantane are rather difficult to interpret since several radicals are produced but it does appear from the spectra that the 1-cycloheptanecarboxylic acid radical (XIV, XV) is one of the products and that it is in a rigid conformation at all temperatures employed in this work. Ohmae et al. ${ }^{25}$ found a similar result for the cycloheptyl radical in irradiated solid cycloheptane with two different $\beta$ proton hyperfine splittings, $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=24$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)=20 \mathrm{G}$, at $-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. However, in the liquid at $-6^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ only a single $\beta$ hyperfine interaction, $a\left(H_{B}\right)=$ 24.7 G , is found. ${ }^{10}$ Also, the cycloheptanone ketyl ( XXX ) is observed ${ }^{66}$ in a single conformation between $-40^{\circ}$ and $+88^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in dimethoxymethane solution with $a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=7.02 \mathrm{G}$ and $\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta_{2}}\right)=2.08 \mathrm{G}$. These results are surprising since cycloheptyl derivatives appear to interconvert rapidly on the NMR time scale with values of $E_{a}<5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole} .^{104}$ The radical structures are undoubtedly more rigid and show that introduction

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of $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ centers makes 5 - and 7 -membered rings less flexible.
The rather low values of the $\beta$ proton hyperfine splittings found for l-cycloheptanecarboxylic acid radical, as well as for the other cycloheptyl radicals reported in the literature, have not been explained satisfactorily. It appears that for these radicals either the value of $B$ is smaller than in other cyclic radicals or the spin density on the $\alpha$-carbon is smaller. If we assume the former, and use $B=27.4$ along with the observed $\beta$ splittings of 17.9 and 22.5 for 1 -cycloheptanecarboxyl, the values $\theta_{1}=25^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=35^{\circ}$ are obtained. These are approximately the values to be expected if the radical has the chair conformation XIV with the radical center in the 1 -position. The twist-chair forms (XV) which are favored in theoretical calculations on cycloheptane itself ${ }^{105}$ lead to quite different angles with the radical center in the 1 -position and do not appear to be the stable forms for the radicals $\left(\theta_{1}=75^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=-15^{\circ}\right.$ for symmetrical twist-chair).

## IV. Cyclic Ketone Radicals

The 2 -cyclohexanonyl radical (IV, $V$ ) in adamantane has been studied ${ }^{22,53}$ and the activation parameters for ring inversion between two half-chair forms found to be $\Delta H^{\ddagger}=3.70 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=\Delta H^{\dagger}+\mathrm{RT}=4.3 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $\Delta \mathrm{G}^{\dagger}=4.39 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. NMR studies of cyclohexanone ${ }^{106}$ lead to $\Delta G^{\dagger}=5.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ for the ring inversion process in that molecules compared to $\Delta \mathrm{G}^{\ddagger}=10.6 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in cyclohexane. Pratt et al ${ }^{22}$ conclude that the introduction of one $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ center into cyclohexane, as in cyclohexanone or cyclohexyl radical ( $E_{a}=4.9 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole $e^{10}$, lowers the barrier by about one-half. Introduction of a second $\operatorname{sp}^{2}$ center in 2 -cyclohexanonyl radical produces an additional lowering
of only about $1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and this is attributed ${ }^{53}$ to the allylic-type resonance in the radical which gives the $C_{1}-C_{2}$ bond about $15 \%$ doublebond character and so tends to make atoms 1-2-3-6 of the ring coplanar and give a structure already halfway through the conformational change of cyclohexanone.

It is not surprising then that 2-cyclopentanonyl radical XVI interconverts rapidly on the ESR time scale even at the lowest temperatures studied here and that the two $\beta$ protons remain equivalent. Cyclopentanone has been shown ${ }^{107}$ by refined force field calculations to exist in the half-chair form with an angle of twist of the $C_{3}-C_{4}$ bond out of the $C_{5}-C_{1}-C_{2}$ plane of about $24^{\circ}$. The barrier to inversion must be less than $5 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole since it has not been detected by NMR. An additional $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ center, plus the contribution of allylic resonance (XVIa $\leftrightarrows$ XVIb), will tend to make $\mathrm{C}_{3}-\mathrm{C}_{2}-\mathrm{C}_{1}-\mathrm{C}_{5}$ coplanar and so give a


XVIa


XVIb
ground state conformation already halfway through the conformational change accompanying the inversion of cyclopentanone. The radical would then either be planar or have the envelope conformation XI with $\mathrm{C}_{4}$ at the "tip of the flap" and a low barrier to inversion of $\mathrm{C}_{4}$.

The $B$ proton hyperfine interaction $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=36.0 \mathrm{G}$ is comparable to the averaged values found in the rapidly interconverting cyclobutyl ( 36.6 G ), cyclopentyl ( 35.2 G ) and 2-cyclohexanonyl (33.0) radicals.

The ESR spectra of 2-cycloheptanonyl radical in adamantane show temperature dependence which indicates a ring inversion process. The coalescence temperature for transformation from two nonequivalent $B$ protons to two equivalent ones occurs at a lower temperature ( $-99^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) than the corresponding change in 2-cyclohexanonyl ( $-72^{\circ}$ ) indicating a lower barrier to inversion ( $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=3.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ versus $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=4.3 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole) for 2-cycloheptanonyl. The most probable structure for cycloheptanone is a half-twist-chair form with the carbonyl group at $C_{2}$ and the odd electron on $C_{1}$. The carbon atoms carrying the odd electron and the carbonyl group, and those on either side ( $7,1,2,3$, of XVII) will tend to be coplanar. The remaining three can then take either equivalent conformation of XVII and the inversion barrier observed will correspond to this change. ${ }^{108}$ However, because of the flexibility of the cycloheptane ring it may be possible to go from one form to the other via low-energy paths of the type giving rise to pseudorotation and so have a barrier lower than that in 2-cyclohexanonyl but averaging the $H_{\beta}$ splittings in a complex manner.

The observed values of $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)$ lead to the values $\theta_{1}=46^{\circ}$, $\theta_{2}=14^{\circ}$ and $B=39 G$ (using Equation 16) for the dihedral angles of the rigid conformation at low temperatures. Lown ${ }^{66}$ reported $\theta_{1}=57^{\circ}$, $\theta_{2}=3^{0}$ for cycloheptyl ketyl but no inversion even at $+88^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

The 2 -cycloalkanonyl radicals with 5, 6 and 7 -membered rings are all very stable in adamantane even at room temperature.

## V. Heteroalicyclic Radicals

(a) Five-membered Rings

The ESR spectra of the 2-tetrahydrofuranyl and 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radicals, XVIII(a) and XIX, both show temperature dependence
indicative of ring inversion processes. The barriers hindering inversion are $2.2 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $2.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, respectively. Previous measurements of the barrier for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl gave $2.1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in a clathrate-hydrate matrix ${ }^{31}$ and $2.4 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in adamantane ${ }^{20}$ in good agreement with the results of the present study. Tetrahydrofuran, like cyclopentane, undergoes pseudorotation with only a small barrier; both are able to invert by a low-energy path which does not involve going through the high central barrier of the planar configuration. ${ }^{109}$ However, with the introduction of a radical center apparently two equivalent conformations exist which interconvert only by passage over a substantial barrier ( $2.1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ ). It seems likely that these are the two half-chair conformations XVIII(a) suggested for cyclopentanone, ${ }^{110}$ which also has one sp ${ }^{2}$ carbon in the ring. The barrier in cyclopentyl radical ( $2.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}{ }^{20}$ ) is slightly higher than that in 2-tetrahydrofuranyl as might be expected from the larger repulsions when oxygen is replaced by a methylene group.

Inversion in 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl radical XX would similarly involve the transformation by passage through an intermediate form of



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higher energy. In view of the expected greater delocalization of the odd electron onto sulfur, it is surprising that the barrier in 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl ( $2.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ ) is larger than those for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl or cyclopentyl; however, it must be noted that the errors are of the same order as the differences being considered. Irradiation of pyrrolidine in adamantane leads to formation of the radical $X X I$ by loss of the $N H$ proton rather than to the expected radical by loss of an $\alpha$ proton. With the odd electron centered on nitrogen, the 1 -pyrrolidinyl radical might have either the envelope or the twist-chair structure but the height of the barrier to inversion (2.0 kcal/mole) is only slightly higher than the values for the other five-membered ring radicals discussed above so the structures are probably similar. Inversion could then be attributed to the transformation




XXI
by analogy with cyclpentanone. 110
The $\alpha$ proton hyperfine interactions in the 2-tetranhydrofuranyl and 2 -tetrahydrothiophenyl radicals, 13.6 G and 16.0 G , are much smaller than observed ${ }^{20}$ for cyclopentyl (23 G in a clathrate-hydrate matrix). This indicates that the odd electron population of the $\alpha$ carbon $\rho_{\alpha}$ is smaller in the heterocyclic radicals. The latter may be estimated,
along with the $\beta$ splittings, using Equations 15 and 16 with the empirical constants found by Shiga et al. for cyclic radicals: $\rho_{\alpha}=a\left(H_{\alpha}\right) / 22.5$ and $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=50 \rho_{\alpha} \cos ^{2} \theta$. These lead to the values $\rho_{\alpha}=0.60$ and 0.71 and $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=50 \rho_{\alpha}(3 / 4)=22.5$ and 26.6 (if $\theta$ is taken as $30^{\circ}$ ) for 2-tetrahydrofuranyl and 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl, respectively, to compare with the observed $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=27.7$ and 25.5 , respectively. The higher apparent spin density on the $\alpha$-carbon of 2 -tetrahydrothiophenyl, despite the general belief that delocalization onto sulfur should be greater than onto oxygen, has been explained by Biddles et al. ${ }^{43}$ They suggest that the oxygen radicals deviate more from planarity at the trivalent carbon and so have smaller $\alpha$-proton splittings despite a larger spin density on the radical center. It has been shown ${ }^{11,111}$ that increased bending at the radical center, and the accompanying increase in $s$ character of the odd electron orbital, leads to more positive values of $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)$. Since the values of $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)$ observed for the cyclic radicals studied in this work are all presumably negative, the result would be smaller numerical values for oxygen radicals than for sulfur radicals with equal spin density on $C_{\alpha}$. This would explain the discrepancy between the calculated and observed values of $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle$ noted above since, if $\rho_{\alpha}$ for the oxygen radical is actually larger than calculated from the $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)$ value, the calculated value of $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle$ would also be larger.

It is found for nitrogen containing radicals that a relationship of the type of Equation 14 holds so that a $\left({ }^{14} N\right) \cong Q_{N}^{N} \rho_{N}$ with $Q_{\mathrm{N}}^{\mathrm{N}} \simeq 19.00^{112,113}$ The observed value $\mathrm{a}\left({ }^{14} \mathrm{~N}\right)=14.5 \mathrm{G}$ for 1 -pyrrolidinyl
radical thus indicates an odd electron spin density of about 0.76 on nitrogen. The $\beta$ proton splittings appear to depend on the dihedral angle $\theta$ through a relationship of the type of Equation 16 but with a larger value of the constant $B$. Thus, if we choose $B_{0}=0$ and $B=57$ the observed values $a\left(H_{B}\right)=27.0$ and 54.2 at low temperature give the values $\theta_{1}=13^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=47^{\circ}$. These are reasonable angles since the corresponding values for cyclopentyl and for 1-cyclopentanecarboxyl radicals are essentially the same. For the aliphatic radical $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}-\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right){ }_{2} \dot{\mathrm{~N}}$ the values $a\left({ }^{14} N\right)=14.3$ and $a\left(H_{\beta}\right)=36.9$ were observed ${ }^{113}$ with the latter value attributed to a conformational preference corresponding to $\langle\theta\rangle=35^{\circ}$.
(b) Six-membered Rings

The four heteroalicyclic compounds with six-membered rings studied were tetrahydropyran, 1,4-dioxane, pentamethylene sulfide and piperidine. When irradiated in the adamantane matrix all gave cyclic radicals in which an $\alpha$ proton had been abstracted. The stable conformation for all these radicals is assumed to be the chair form and ring inversion involving a chair $\underset{\nless}{ }$ chair transformation is expected and is observed for the oxygen radicals. The radical from tetrahydrothiopyran is unstable above $-80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ so temperature-dependent ESR spectra in the region of coalescence could not be obtained. In the case of piperidine, more than one radical was produced and overlapping lines from the different spectra made it impossible to obtain the barrier for ring inversion.

The barrier restricting ring inversion in 2-tetrahydropyranyl radical was found to be $3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and in 1,4 -dioxanyl radical to also be $3.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$. These values are somewhat lower than the value $E_{a}=4.9 \mathrm{kcal} /$ mole reported for cyclohexyl radical ${ }^{10}$ as might be expected from the replacement of a methylene group in the ring by one or two oxygens. The higher barrier $\Delta \mathrm{F}^{\ddagger}=10.5 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ found by NMR for ring inversion in cyclohexane compared to the values $\Delta \mathrm{F}^{\ddagger}=10.3 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ and $\Delta \mathrm{F}^{\ddagger}=9.7 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ for tetrahydropyran and 1,4-dioxane are in qualitative agreement with this explanation and there is various evidence that a lone pair is smaller than a hydrogen. ${ }^{114}$ Recently Gaze and Gilbert ${ }^{98}$ have measured the barrier in 1,4-dioxanyl radical prepared by photolytic decomposition of di-t-butyl peroxide in the presence of dioxane. They obtain a value $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=7.64 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$, which is about double that reported here and represents an unusually large effect of the matrix. The introduction of an $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ center into cyclohexane reduces the inversion barrier from $E_{a}=\Delta H^{\dagger}+R T \cong 11.4$ $\mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ to $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}=4.9 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ in cyclohexyl whereas the reduction appears to be somewhat larger in the two heterocyclic radicals but any differences are not larger than the combined experimental errors of the two numbers ( $\pm 1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mole}$ ). The degree of bending at the radical center was found to be small (zero $\pm 10^{\circ}$ ) in an INDO study of 1,4-dioxany1. ${ }^{98}$ It is probable that the lowered barriers on introducing an $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ center are a result of the lower torsional energy of $\mathrm{sp}^{2}$ $-s p^{3}$ relative to $\mathrm{sp}^{3}-\mathrm{sp}^{3}$ bonds and that the changes on introducing a hetero-atom into the ring are related to the changes in these torsional energies. ${ }^{107}$

## VI. Other Radicals

(a) Cyclopentenyl and Cyclopentyl Radicals

The cyclopentenyl radical (I), produced by irradiation of both cyclopentyl chloride and cyclopentyl bromide, is very stable in adamantane at room temperature. The hyperfine splitting parameters for the radical $\left(\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha_{1}}\right)=14.3 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha_{2}}\right)=2.7 \mathrm{G}\right.$ and $\left.\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=22.2 \mathrm{G}\right)$ are similar to those observed for the same radical produced by irradiation of cyclopentene in adamantane ${ }^{62}\left(\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha_{1}}\right)=14.0, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\alpha_{2}}\right)=3.1\right.$ and $\left.<a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=21.6 \mathrm{G}$ ) and are typical of allylic radicals. ${ }^{115}$

When cyclopentyl bromide is $\gamma$ irradiated at $-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the product is the cyclopentyl radical ${ }^{29}$ (XXIII) which is frozen into a single conformation at that temperature with two $\beta$ protons and one $\alpha$ proton giving $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=a\left(H_{\beta_{1}}\right)=22.8 \mathrm{G}$ and $a\left(H_{\beta_{2}}\right)=45.7 \mathrm{G}$. In the adamantane matrix the cyclopentyl radical does not appear to be a stable product. Irradiation of cyclopentane itself at $-196^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, however, was found to give only the cyclopentyl radical. ${ }^{25}$ In this investigation it was found that cyclopentane in adamantane gave the cyclopentyl radical when $\gamma$ irradiated at $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$ and allowed to warm to $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The spectrum at this temperature was a doublet of quintets indicating that rapid ring inversion is averaging the $\beta$ splittings and $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)>=35.6 \mathrm{G}\right.$, $a\left(H_{\alpha}\right)=22.1 G$. When the matrix warms to room temperature the spectrum changes to that of cyclopentenyl radical. The mechanism of this change is not clear but it seems unlikely that either hydrogen atoms from the initial radiation damage or the adamantyl radicals of the matrix
abstract the additional two protons from the ring since this would require two additional hydrogen abstraction reactions; it also seems unlikely that $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ is lost from cyclopentyl. Helcke and Fantechi ${ }^{54}$ suggested that cycloheptenyl radical was formed in irradiated cycloheptane (in thiourea matrix) as a result of abstraction of a hydrogen from cycloheptene by the first-formed cycloheptyl radical; the cycloheptene would be one radiolysis product of cycloheptane at low temperature and would not be detected by ESR. By analogy the reaction

might be the source of cyclopentenyl radical at higher temperatures in irradiated cyclopentane in adamantane.

The cyclopentenyl radical is probably planar since the $\pi$ system extending over three of the ring carbons would tend to favor the conformation in which the other two carbons are in the same plane. However, the observed average value of $a\left(H_{B}\right)$ could arise from a planar radical for which $a\left(H_{B}\right) \simeq 0.6(50)(3 / 4)=22.5 \mathrm{G}$, since $\rho_{\alpha} \simeq 14.3 / 23$ and $\theta=30^{\circ}$, or from a rapidly inverting radical with $\theta_{1}=20^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=$ $40^{\circ}$ and $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=(26.4+17.6) / 2=22.0 \mathrm{G}$.
(b) 1-Hydroxy-1-cyclopenty1 Radical

Irradiation of cyclopentanol in adamantane leads to formation of the $1-O H$-cyclopentyl radical for which the four $\beta$ protons are equivalent and $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=27.6 \mathrm{G}$. The same radical in toluene solution was produced by UV irradiation of $1,1^{\prime}$-azobis (1-hydroxycyclopentane) and $\left\langle\mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{H}_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=27.0$ observed, ${ }^{40}$ and also by UV irradiation of di-t-butyl peroxide, cyclopentanol and iso-octane mixtures with $\left\langle a\left(H_{\beta}\right)\right\rangle=28.0$ reported. ${ }^{32}$ The radical appears to be rapidly interconverting between half-chair forms at room temperature.

## (c) The Radical from 1,2-Dichlorotetrafluorocyclobutene

While the structure of this radical cannot be deduced with certainty from the ESR spectrum, the loss of a fluorine to give radical XXVI appears to be most probable. Irradiation of 1-fluoro-1-bromo-2,3-dimethylcyclopropane gives the 1-fluoro-2,3-cis-dimethylcyclopropyl radical ${ }^{116}$ with a ${ }_{-}\left(F_{\alpha}\right)=77.6 \mathrm{G}$ which is comparable to other $\alpha$ fluorine splittings in aliphatic radicals (Table 3). Also, the splittings for B protons on the same side of the ring as the odd electron are larger than those on the opposite side. Since typical $\beta$-fluorine splittings for such radicals are in the range $20-40 \mathrm{G}^{118}$ and $\alpha$-chlorine splittings in the range $4-10 G^{118}$ the hyperfine splittings estimated for structure XXVI are reasonable. On the other hand, formation of a radical anion with the odd electron in a higher molecular orbital would probably lead to larger values of $a(F)$ than observed since the radical anion of perfluorocyclobutane shows eight equivalent fluorines with a(F) = 147.7 G. Addition of the odd electron at the double bond to give
radical XXXIII is also not likely since the ketyl of perfluorocyclo-

butanone (XXXIV) shows large $\beta$ and $\gamma$ hyperfine splittings ${ }^{118} a\left(F_{\beta}\right)$
$=82 \mathrm{G}, \mathrm{a}\left(\mathrm{F}_{\gamma}\right)=35 \mathrm{G}$, and two fluorines with $\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{F})=82 \mathrm{G}$ would give an ESR spectrum with much greater spread than observed.

SUMMARY
Solid solutions of sixteen cyclic compounds in adamantane have been irradiated and the ESR spectra studied over the temperature range $77^{\circ} \mathrm{K}-300^{\circ} \mathrm{K}$. The cyclic radicals produced have been identified from the ESR spectra and the nuclear hyperfinc interaction constants and $g$ values measured. In the case of ten radicals the temperature dependence of the spectra has permitted the rate of ring inversion to be studied as a function of temperature and the constants $E_{a}$ and $(1 / \tau)_{0}$ of the Arrhenius equation determined. The significance of the hyperfine interactions, $g$ values and energy barriers restricting ring inversion, has been studied.

Barriers to ring inversion in six-membered rings are reduced by about $50 \%$ in going from the values measured by NMR in the undamaged molecule to the radical. Energy barriers in fivemembered cyclic radicals are smaller than in the corresponding six-membered ring radicals but no NMR results are available for the undamaged molecules. The only seven-membered ring radical which could be studied, 2-cycloheptanonyl, shows a barrier to inversion slightly smaller than the six-membered radical 2 -cyclohexanonyl but much larger than 2-cyclopentanonyl, which is too small to be measured by ESR in the adamantane matrix.

Various characteristics of the radiation chemistry of cyclic compounds in adamantane have been discussed along with the effects of the matrix on hyperfine splittings and inversion barriers.

A computer program ESREX4 has been written for calculating the rates of exchange of equivalent nuclei in radicals from the ESR parameters and the relative intensities of second-derivative Gaussian lines in the ESR spectrum.

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## APPENDIX A

## SOLUTION TO MODIFIED BLOCH EQUATIONS

For ring inversion in cyclohexyl radical, the following modified Bloch equations must be solved.

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{d}{d t} G_{1}(t)=\left\{i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{1}}\right)-\sigma^{2} t-\tau^{-1}\right\} G_{1}(t)+\tau^{-1} G_{2}(t)  \tag{A-1}\\
& \frac{d}{d t} G_{2}(t)=\left\{i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)-\sigma^{2} t-\tau^{-1}\right\} G_{2}(t)+\tau^{-1} G_{1}(t) \tag{A-2}
\end{align*}
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$ in (A-1) the equation is dominated by the, $-\sigma^{2} t G_{1}(t)$ term if the $\tau^{-1} G_{2}(t)$ cross term is ignored. The asymptotic equation $G_{1}^{\prime}(t)=-\sigma^{2} t G_{1}(t)$ has the solution $G_{1}(t)=K e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}}$. We factor out the asymptotic behavior by setting

$$
\begin{equation*}
G_{1}(t)=e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{1}(t) ; G_{2}(t)=e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{2}(t) \tag{A-3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then ( $A-1$ ) becomes

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{-\sigma^{2}}{2} 2 t\right) e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{1}(t)+e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{1}^{\prime}(t)= \\
& \quad\left\{i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h}\right)-\sigma^{2} t-\tau^{-1}\right\} e^{\frac{-\dot{\sigma}^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{1}(t)+\tau^{-1} e^{\frac{-\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{2}(t)
\end{aligned}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{1}^{\prime}(t)=\left\{i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{1}}\right)-\tau^{-1}\right\} Q_{1}(t)+\tau^{-1} Q_{2}(t) \tag{A-4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and by symmetry:

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{2}^{\prime}(t)=\left\{i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)-\tau^{-1}\right\} Q_{2}(t)+\tau^{-1} Q_{1}(t) \tag{A-5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\eta_{1}=i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{1}}\right)-\tau^{-1}$ and $\eta_{2}=i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)-\tau^{-1}$
Disregarding the cross term in (A-4) the solution is $Q_{1}(t)=e^{\eta_{1} t}$ so we factor this out of (A-4) and (A-5) by setting

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{1}(t)=e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}(t) ; \quad Q_{2}(t)=e^{\eta_{2} t} R_{2}(t) \tag{A-7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equations (A-4), (A-5) become

$$
{n_{1}} e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}(t)+e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}^{\prime}(t)=\eta_{1} e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}(t)+\tau^{-1} e^{\eta_{2} t} R_{2}(t)
$$

similarly for (A-5) or

$$
\begin{align*}
& e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}^{\prime}(t)=\tau^{-1} e^{\eta_{2} t} R_{2}(t)  \tag{A-8}\\
& e^{\eta_{2} t} R_{2}^{\prime}(t)=\tau^{-1} e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}(t) \tag{A-9}
\end{align*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{align*}
& R_{2}(t)=\tau e^{\left(n_{1}-n_{2}\right) t} R_{1}^{\prime}(t)  \tag{A-10}\\
& R_{1}(t)=\tau e^{\left(n_{2}-\eta_{1}\right) t} R_{2}^{\prime}(t) \tag{A-11}
\end{align*}
$$

From (A-6) we have $n_{1}-\eta_{2}=i\left(\omega_{h_{1}}-\omega_{h_{2}}\right)$.
To agree with Fessenden's notation, let $\Delta=\omega_{h_{2}}-\omega_{h_{1}}$, then we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& R_{2}(t)=\tau e^{-i \Delta t} R_{1}^{\prime}(t)  \tag{A-12}\\
& R_{1}(t)=\tau e^{+i \Delta t} R_{2}^{\prime}(t) \tag{A-13}
\end{align*}
$$

Differentiating Eq. (A-12) gives: $R_{2}^{\prime}(t)=\tau(-i \Delta) e^{-i \Delta t} R_{1}^{\prime}(t)+$ $\tau e^{-i \Delta t} R_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)$ and substituting Eq. (A-13) for $R_{2}^{\prime}(t)$ gives
or

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{1}(t)+i \tau^{2} \Delta R_{1}^{\prime}(t)-\tau^{2} R_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)=0 \tag{A-15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Setting $R_{1}(t)=K e^{p t}$ produces

$$
\begin{equation*}
K e^{p t}+i \tau^{2} \Delta p K e^{p t}-\tau^{2} p^{2} K e^{p t}=0 \tag{A-16}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
1+i \tau^{2} \Delta p-\tau^{2} p^{2}=0 \tag{A-17}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
p^{2}-i \Delta p-\tau^{-2}=0 \tag{A-18}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
\begin{equation*}
p=\frac{i \Delta \pm \sqrt{-\Delta^{2}+4 \tau^{-2}}}{2} \tag{A-19}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\gamma=\frac{\sqrt{4 \tau^{-2}-\Delta^{2}}}{2}=\sqrt{\tau^{-2}-\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right)^{2}}$

Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{1}(t)=C_{1} e^{\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}+C_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} \tag{A-21}
\end{equation*}
$$

From Eq. (A-12) we have

$$
\begin{align*}
R_{2}(t)=\tau e^{-i \Delta t}\{(\gamma & \left.+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{1} e^{\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} \\
& \left.+\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}\right\} \tag{A-22}
\end{align*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{2}(t)=\tau\left\{\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{1} e^{\left(\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}+\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}\right\} \tag{A-23}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{2}(t)=D_{1} e^{\left(\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}+D_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} \tag{A-24}
\end{equation*}
$$

when

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{1}=\tau\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{1} ; \quad D_{2}=\tau\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{2} \tag{A-25}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{align*}
& G_{1}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{1}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} e^{\eta_{1} t} R_{1}(t)  \tag{A-26}\\
& =e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} e^{\eta_{1} t}\left[C_{1} e^{\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} \pm C_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}\right]  \tag{A-27}\\
& =C_{1} Z_{1}(t) \pm C_{2} Z_{2}(t), \tag{A-28}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& z_{1}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{1}+\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} ; \\
& z_{2}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{1}-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} \tag{A-29}
\end{align*}
$$

Likewise

$$
\begin{align*}
& G_{2}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} Q_{2}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} e^{n_{2} t} R_{2}(t)  \tag{A-30}\\
& \quad=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2} t^{2}}{2}} e^{n_{2} t}\left[D_{1} e^{\left(\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}+D_{2} e^{\left(-\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}\right]  \tag{A-31}\\
&  \tag{A-32}\\
& =D_{1} \tilde{Z}_{1}(t)+D_{2} \tilde{Z}_{2}(t)
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& \tilde{z}_{1}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{2}+\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t} ;  \tag{A-33}\\
& \tilde{z}_{2}(t)=e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{2}-\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) t}
\end{align*}
$$

The line shape is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\int_{0}^{\infty} G(t) e^{-i \omega t} d t\right\} \tag{A-34}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
G(t)=G_{1}(t)+G_{2}(t) \tag{A-35}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
I(\omega)=I_{1}(\omega)+I_{2}(\omega),
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{1}(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\int_{0}^{\infty} G_{1}(t) e^{-i \omega t} d t\right\} \tag{A-36}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{gather*}
I_{2}(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\int_{0}^{\infty} G_{2}(t) e^{-i \omega t} d t\right\}  \tag{A-37}\\
I_{1}(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{C_{1} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(\eta_{1}+\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega\right) t} d t+\right. \\
\left.C_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{1}-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega\right) t} d t\right\} \tag{A-38}
\end{gather*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
I_{2}(\omega)= & \operatorname{Real}\left\{D_{1} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{2}+\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega\right) t} d t+\right. \\
& \left.D_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left(n_{2}-\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega\right) t} d t\right\} \tag{A-39}
\end{align*}
$$

Now

$$
\begin{align*}
{ }_{n_{1}}+\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega & =i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{1}}\right)-\tau^{-1}+i\left(\frac{\omega_{h_{2}}-\omega_{h_{1}}}{2}\right)-i \omega \\
& =i\left(\omega_{0}+\frac{\omega_{h_{1}}+\omega_{h_{2}}}{2}-\omega\right)-\tau^{-1}  \tag{A-40}\\
& =i\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)-\tau^{-1}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\omega_{m}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{h_{1}}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)+\omega_{0}$ defined by Fessenden

$$
\begin{align*}
\eta_{2}-\frac{i \Delta}{2}-i \omega & =i\left(\omega_{0}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)-\tau^{-1}-i\left(\frac{\omega_{h_{2}}-\omega_{h_{1}}}{2}\right)-i \omega  \tag{A-41}\\
& =i\left(\omega_{0}+\frac{\omega_{h_{1}}+\omega_{h_{2}}}{2}-\omega\right)-\tau^{-1}  \tag{A-42}\\
& =i\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)-\tau^{-1}
\end{align*}
$$

Because Eq. (A-39) is the same as Eq. (A-41) the integrals of $I_{1}(\omega)$ are the same as those in $I_{2}(\omega)$. So we combine (A-38) and (A-39) into

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\left[C_{1}+D_{1}\right] \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{V_{+}} d t+\left[C_{2}+D_{2}\right] \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{V}-d t\right\} \tag{A-43}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
v_{+}=-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left\{-\tau^{-1} \pm \gamma+i\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)\right\} t \tag{A-44}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here

$$
\begin{equation*}
\gamma=\sqrt{\frac{1}{\tau^{2}}-\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right)^{2}}=\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{\tau \Delta}\right)^{2}-1}=\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1} \tag{A-45}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\alpha=2 / \tau \Delta \text { as defined by Fessenden. } \tag{A-46}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\tau^{-1}=\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \alpha$ we can write $V_{ \pm}$as

$$
\begin{align*}
v_{ \pm} & =-\frac{\sigma^{2}}{2} t^{2}+\left\{\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right)\left[-\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}\right]+i\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)\right\} t  \tag{A-47}\\
& =-\frac{(\sigma t)^{2}}{2}+\left\{\left[-\alpha \pm \sqrt{\left.\left.\alpha^{2}-1\right] a+i \frac{\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)}{\sigma}\right\}(\sigma t)}\right.\right. \tag{A-48}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
a=\Delta / 2 \sigma \quad \text { as defined in Fessenden. } \tag{A-49}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{V}_{ \pm} & =-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\sigma t)^{2}+2\left\{\left[+\alpha \mp \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}\right] a-i \frac{\left(\omega_{m}-\omega\right)}{\sigma}\right\}(\sigma t)\right]  \tag{A-50}\\
& =-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\sigma t)+\xi_{ \pm}\right]^{2}+\frac{1}{2} \xi_{ \pm}^{2} \tag{A-51}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\xi_{ \pm}=\left[\alpha \mp \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}\right] a+i \frac{\left(\omega-\omega_{m}\right)}{\sigma} \tag{A-52}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{ \pm}=\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{V_{+}} d t=e^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\sigma t)+\xi_{ \pm}\right]^{2}} d t \tag{A-53}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $t^{\prime}=\sigma t+\xi_{ \pm}$, then $d t^{\prime}=\sigma d t \Rightarrow d t=\frac{1}{\sigma} d t^{\prime}$, and $\left.\left.t\right|_{0} ^{\infty} \Rightarrow t^{\prime}\right|_{\xi_{+}} ^{\infty}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{ \pm}=e^{\frac{1}{2} \xi_{ \pm}^{2}} \int_{\xi_{ \pm}}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2} t} t^{2} \frac{1}{\sigma} d t^{\prime}=\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} e^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right] \tag{A-54}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Phi(x)$ is the standard error function $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{x} e^{-\frac{1}{2} u^{2}} d u$.
[Note that the error function has a complex argument.]
To evaluate $C_{1}, C_{2}, D_{1}$ and $D_{2}$ we set the following initial
conditions:

$$
\begin{align*}
& G_{1}(0)=1 \Rightarrow C_{1}+C_{2}=1  \tag{A-56}\\
& G_{2}(0)=1 \Rightarrow D_{1}+D_{2}=1 \tag{A-57}
\end{align*}
$$

which from Eq. (A-25) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tau\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{1}+\tau\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right)\left(1-C_{1}\right)=1 \tag{A-58}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{1}\left\{\tau\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right)-\tau\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right)\right\}+\tau\left(-\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right)=1 \tag{A-59}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{1}=\frac{1+\tau\left(\gamma-\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right)}{2 \tau \gamma}=\frac{1}{2 \tau \gamma}+\frac{1}{2}-\frac{i \Delta}{4 \gamma} \tag{A-60}
\end{equation*}
$$

But from Eqs. (A-45), (A-46),

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tau \gamma=\left(\frac{\tau \Delta}{2}\right) \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}=\frac{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}{\alpha} \tag{A-61}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{i \Delta}{4 \gamma}=\frac{i \Delta}{4\left(\frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}-\frac{i}{2 \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}} \tag{A-62}
\end{equation*}
$$

So,

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{1}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right)+\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{i}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right)=\frac{1}{2}\left[1+\frac{\alpha-i}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right] \tag{A-63}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{2}=\frac{1}{2}\left[1-\frac{\alpha-i}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right] \tag{A-64}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now

$$
\begin{align*}
D_{1}=\tau\left(\gamma+\frac{i \Delta}{2}\right) C_{1}= & \left(\frac{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}{\alpha}+\frac{i}{\alpha}\right) C_{1} \\
& =\frac{1}{\alpha}\left(\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}+i\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1+\frac{\alpha-i}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right) \tag{A-65}
\end{align*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{align*}
& D_{1}=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}+i+(\alpha-i)+i \frac{(\alpha-i)}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right) \\
&=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}+\alpha+\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}+i \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right)  \tag{A-66}\\
&=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(\frac{\alpha^{2}}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}+\alpha+\frac{i \alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right) . \tag{A-67}
\end{align*}
$$

So,

$$
\begin{gather*}
D_{1}+C_{1}=\frac{1}{2 \alpha}\left(\frac{\alpha^{2}}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}+\alpha+\alpha+\frac{\alpha^{2}}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}+\frac{i \alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right. \\
\left.-\frac{i \alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right) \tag{A-68}
\end{gather*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{1}+C_{1}=\frac{1}{\alpha}\left(\frac{\alpha^{2}}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}+\alpha\right)=1+\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}} \tag{A-69}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\left(D_{1}+C_{1}\right)+\left(D_{2}+C_{2}\right)=2$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{2}+C_{2}=1-\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}} \tag{A-70}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using Eqs. (A-69), (A-70), (A-54) in (A-43) gives

$$
\begin{align*}
I(\omega) & \left.\left.=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\left(1+\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right)\right]_{+}+\left(1-\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}}\right)\right]_{-}\right\}  \tag{A-71}\\
& =\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} \operatorname{Real}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2 \xi} \xi^{2}}\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right\}  \tag{A-72}\\
& \pm+
\end{align*}
$$

when

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{B}_{ \pm}=1 \pm \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}} \text { as defined by Fessenden; } \tag{A-73}
\end{equation*}
$$

and from (A-52)

$$
\begin{equation*}
\xi_{ \pm}=Y_{ \pm}+i \frac{\left(\omega-\omega_{m}\right)}{\sigma}, \tag{A-74}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y_{ \pm}=\left[\alpha \mp \sqrt{\alpha^{2}-1}\right] a \text { as defined by Fessenden } \tag{A-75}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\alpha=2 / \tau \Delta ; a=\Delta / 2 \sigma ; \Delta=\omega_{h_{2}}-\omega_{h_{1}} ; \\
\omega_{m}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{h_{1}}+\omega_{h_{2}}\right)+\omega_{0} . \tag{A-76}
\end{array}
$$

Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{I}(\omega)=\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma}\left\{\sum_{ \pm}^{\mathrm{B}_{ \pm}} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right\} \tag{A-77}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then

$$
\begin{align*}
& I(\omega)=\operatorname{Real}\{\tilde{I}(\omega)\}, \\
& \frac{\partial I(\omega)}{\partial \omega}=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\frac{\partial \tilde{I}(\omega)}{\partial \omega}\right\} \frac{\partial^{2} I(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}=\operatorname{Real}\left\{\frac{\partial^{2} \tilde{I}(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}\right\} \tag{A-78}
\end{align*}
$$

We see from (A-74) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial \xi_{ \pm}}{\partial \omega}=\frac{i}{\sigma} \tag{A-79}
\end{equation*}
$$

and from (A-55) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial \Phi(x)}{\partial x}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x^{2}} \tag{A-80}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathrm{I}}(\omega)}{\partial \omega}=\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} \underset{ \pm}{ }\left\{\sum _ { \pm } ^ { \mathrm { B } _ { \pm } } \left\{\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}}{ }^{2}\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sigma}\right)\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right.\right. \\
& \left.\left.+\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm\left[-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm\left(\frac{i}{\sigma}\right)\right]\right\}\right\}  \tag{A-81}\\
& =\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sigma}\right)\left\{\xi_{ \pm} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}}{ }_{\Sigma \Sigma 1}-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}}\right\}  \tag{A-82}\\
& =\frac{\mathrm{i} \xi_{ \pm}}{\sigma} \frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \pm\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right\}-\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}}\right)\right\} \tag{A-83}
\end{align*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathrm{I}}(\omega)}{\partial \omega}=\frac{\mathrm{i} \xi}{\sigma} \tilde{\mathrm{I}}(\omega)-\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} \underset{ \pm}{\mathrm{B}_{ \pm}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2 \pi} \sigma}\right) .} \tag{A-84}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus,

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{\partial^{2} \tilde{I}(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}=\left(\frac{i}{\sigma}\right)\left(\frac{i}{\sigma}\right) \tilde{I}(\omega) \\
& +\frac{i \xi_{ \pm}}{}\left\{\frac{i \xi_{ \pm}}{\sigma} \tilde{I}(\omega)-\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} \underset{ \pm}{B_{ \pm}}\left(\frac{i}{\sqrt{2 \pi} \sigma}\right)\right\}  \tag{A-85}\\
& =\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma^{2}}-\frac{\xi_{ \pm}^{2}}{\sigma^{2}}\right) \tilde{I}(\omega)-\frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma} \Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm}\left(\frac{-\xi_{ \pm}}{\sqrt{2 \pi} \sigma^{2}}\right)  \tag{A-86}\\
& =\frac{1}{\sigma^{2}} \frac{\sqrt{2 \pi}}{\sigma}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm}\left[\frac{\xi_{ \pm}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}}-\left(1+\xi_{ \pm}^{2}\right) \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} \xi_{ \pm}^{2}}\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right]\right\} \text {. (A-87) }
\end{align*}
$$

Finally,

$$
\frac{\partial^{2} I(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}=\frac{-1}{\sigma^{3}} \operatorname{Real}\left\{\Sigma \Sigma _ { \pm } \mathrm { B } _ { \pm } \left[-\xi_{ \pm}+\left(1+\xi_{ \pm}^{2}\right) e^{\frac{1}{2} \xi^{2}} \underset{\text { Fessenden's erf }\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)}{\left.\left.\left\{\sqrt{2 \pi}\left[1-\Phi\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)\right]\right\}\right]\right\}} \cdot(A-88)\right.\right.
$$

We have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi(z)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{t}^{2}} d t \tag{A-89}
\end{equation*}
$$

From the "Handbook of Mathematical Functions", edited by M. Abramowitz and I.A. Stejun (1967), referred to as [A], there is defined (p. 297)

$$
\begin{gather*}
\operatorname{erf}(z)=\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{0}^{z} e^{-t^{2}} d t ;  \tag{A-90}\\
\text { let } t=\frac{t^{\prime}}{\sqrt{2}} \text { then } d t=\frac{d t^{\prime}}{\sqrt{2}} \text { and }\left.\left.\left.t\right|_{0} ^{z} \rightarrow \frac{t^{\prime}}{\sqrt{2}}\right|_{0} ^{z} \rightarrow t\right|_{0} ^{\sqrt{2} z} \text { so } \\
\\
\operatorname{erf}(z)=2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \int_{0}^{\sqrt{2} z} e^{-\frac{1}{2} t^{\prime}} d t^{\prime}=2\{\Phi(\sqrt{2} z)-\Phi(0)\}
\end{gather*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{erf}(z)=2 \Phi(\sqrt{2} z)-1 . \tag{A-91}
\end{equation*}
$$

Also [A] defines

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{erfc}(z)=1-\operatorname{erf}(z) \tag{A-92}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=e^{-z^{2}} \operatorname{erfc}(-i z) \tag{A-93}
\end{equation*}
$$

We then have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{erfc}(z)=2-2 \Phi(\sqrt{2} z) \tag{A-94}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=2 \mathrm{e}^{-z^{2}}[1-\Phi(-\sqrt{2} \mathrm{i} z)] . \tag{A-95}
\end{equation*}
$$

So

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi(-\sqrt{2} \mathrm{iz})=1-\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{z}^{2}} \omega(\mathrm{z}) \tag{A-96}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi(z)=1-\frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} z^{2}} \omega\left(\frac{i z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) . \tag{A-97}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
e^{\frac{1}{2} z^{2}}(1-\Phi(z))=\frac{1}{z} \omega\left(\frac{i z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) . \tag{A-98}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using (A-98) in (A-88) gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial^{2} I(\omega)}{\partial \omega^{2}}=\frac{-1}{\sigma^{3}} \operatorname{Real}\left\{\Sigma \mathrm{~B}_{ \pm}\left[-\xi_{ \pm}+\left(1+\xi_{ \pm}^{2}\right) \sqrt{\pi / 2} \omega\left(\frac{\mathrm{i} \xi}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right]\right\} . \tag{A-99}
\end{equation*}
$$

According to formula 7.1.8 on p. 297 of [A]

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(i z)^{n}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}+1\right)} \tag{A-100}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)=\sqrt{\pi}$, we can expand this as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\left\{\frac{\left(-z^{2}\right)^{k}}{k!}+\frac{(i z)\left(-z^{2}\right)^{k}}{\left(K+\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(K-\frac{1}{2}\right)-\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \sqrt{\pi}}\right\} . \tag{A-101}
\end{equation*}
$$

On the bottom of p. 328, we have the approximations:
For $z=x+i y$, if $x>3.9$ or $y>3$ then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=i z\left(\frac{0.4613135}{z^{2}-0.1901635}+\frac{0.09999216}{z^{2}-1.7844927}+\frac{0.002883894}{z^{2}-5.5253437}\right)+\varepsilon(z) \tag{A-102}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\quad|\varepsilon(z)|<2 \times 10^{-6}$.
If $x>6$ or $y>6$ then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(z)=i z\left(\frac{0.5124242}{z^{2}-0.2752551}+\frac{0.05776536}{z^{2}-2.724745}\right)+n(z) \tag{A-103}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\quad|\eta(z)|<1 \times 10^{-6}$.
Also we have the identity (from bottom of p. 325 of [A])

$$
\begin{align*}
\omega(-x+i y)= & \overline{\omega(x+i y)} \omega(x-i y) \\
& =z \mathrm{e}^{y^{2}-x^{2}}(\cos 2 x y+i \sin 2 x y)-\overline{\omega(x+i y)} \tag{A-104}
\end{align*}
$$

Eq. (A-104) also gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega(-x-i y)=\overline{\omega(x-i y)}=2 e^{y^{2}-x^{2}}(\cos 2 x y-i \sin 2 x y)-\omega(x+i y) \tag{A-105}
\end{equation*}
$$

If $\operatorname{Im}\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)=0$ and $\operatorname{Re}\left(\xi_{ \pm}\right)>6$, then

$$
\omega\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}_{\xi \pm}}{\sqrt{2}}\right)=\mathrm{i}\left[\frac{\mathrm{i} \xi}{\sqrt{2}}\right]\left(\frac{.5124242}{\left[\frac{\mathrm{i} \xi}{\frac{ \pm}{\sqrt{2}}}\right]^{2}-.02752551}+\frac{.05176536}{\left[\frac{ \pm}{\sqrt{2}}\right]-2.724745}\right)
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
=\frac{+\xi^{ \pm}}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{.5124242}{\left.\xi^{2} \frac{ \pm}{2}\right)+.02752551}+\frac{.05176536}{\left(\frac{\frac{ \pm}{2}}{2}\right)+2.724745}\right) . \tag{A-106}
\end{equation*}
$$

## APPENDIX B

## PROGRAM ESREX4

```
    PHOGRAMEEPEXLGIOUTPUT=EE,TAREG=OUTPUTI
    FEAL INT,MICEXCH
    KH1=404391758
    NC=5.727130E1C
    T\angleU=1.00E30
    TGU=1.00E3O
    W=WO+WM1
    INT=F(W,WC,HHI,HN2,TGU,SIGMA)
    NCEXCH=INT
    WFITE(E,1C5) W,NOEXCH
```



```
        ALOG=-11.C
        ELOG=2.3025851*ALCG
        TLU=EXP(ELOG)
        WFITEIE.1011 TAU
        101 FCPMATIIHI,/I/ .EX, CORPELATION TIME FOR JUMPINGISEC/RACI TAU=*.
    CEIOIOLE(E,102)'
```



```
    1C15X:ROL
    ELOG=2.3025351*ALCG
    TAU=EXP(ELOG)
    INT =F(W, MO,HH1,HH2,TAU,SIGMA)
    GELINT=INT/NOEXCH
    WFITE (E,1C3) TAU,INT,RELINT
```



```
    H=HO+((HH1 +HH2)/2.0)
    INT=F(WHNC,WH1,WHZ,TAU,SIGMA)
    RELINT=INT/NOEXCH
    WPITE(E,104) TAU,INT,F.ELINT
104
    H=NC+HH1
    INT=FIN
    WFITE(6,106) TAU,ALOG,INT,PELINT
```



```
    ALOG=LLOG+b.1C
    IF(ALOG.GT. -5.0) GO TO 2OO
200 CONTINUE
    END
    PEAL FUNCTION F(H,HC,WHI,HHZ,TAU,SIGMA)
    IMPLICIT COMPLEX (Z)
    ZSORT2=CMPLX(0.00,(1.0/SQRT(2.0)) )
    = SO=T(PI}2533141373155,0.0
C 2PI2 = SOFT(PI/200)
    DELTA = HH2-WH1 
    A = DELTA/(2.O*SICMA)
    HM = C.5*(HHI+HH2)+HO
    DIF=(H-NM)/SIGMA
            ZALPHA = CMPLX(ALPHA,O.0)
            ZAL=CMPLX(A,0.0)
            ZDIF = CMPLX(NOOOIF)
    ZU = CSORT (2ALPHA:E{-11.0.0.0))
    ZYP=(ZALPHA-2U):ZA
    ZYM = (ZALPHA+ZU)* ZA
    ZUU = ZALDHA/ZU
    ZBP = (1.0.0.0) + ZUU
    2BM = (100:000) - 2UU
    ZXIP = ZYP+ZDIF
    ZXIM= ZYM+ZDIF
    ZARGP= ZSORT2*2XIP
    ZARGM = 2SOFTZ-2XIM
        ZWP = ZH(ZAPGP)
        ADOPP=2DIZ=(11.0,0.0)+ZXIP:ZXIP)=ZHP
    2ADOM = 2PI2-1(1:(:OOG)+ZXIM+2XIM)-2HM
    2TOTP = 2JP*(-2XIF+2ACDP)
    ZM=2TOTP+2TOTM
    FM= 2TOTP+2
```








[^0]:    from various laboratories but no systematic study of a series of compounds using exact lineshape analysis methods has been made. In the present investigation a series of alicyclic hydrocarbons and saturated heterocyclic compounds have been dissolved in adamantane, irradiated with $X$-rays or $\gamma$ rays, and the ESR spectra obtained over a temperature range. Where the spectra show the effects of ring motions, detailed line shape analyses have been made and the barriers to ring inversion estimated. The results have been interpreted and compared with those for the diamagnetic precursors as well as with those for other radicals which are reported in the literature.

[^1]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Values are in Gauss.

[^2]:    ${ }^{a}$ The values of $1 / \tau$ are taken from Figure 10.
    $b_{\text {The lines used to obtain }} \mathrm{F}(\omega)$ are indicated by arrows in Figure 7.

[^3]:    $a_{\text {The }}$ values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ are taken from Figure 15.

[^4]:    $a_{\text {The values of }} \log (1 / \tau)$ are from Figure 21.

[^5]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Values of $F(\omega)$ are from Figure 26 plus some spectra not illustrated.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Values of $\log (1 / \tau)$ are from Figure 28.

[^6]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Values of a in this work are in Gauss and have probable errors $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{G}$ in most cases.
    $b_{\text {Values of }} g$ have probable errors $\pm 0.0003$ except for 1 -cyclobutanecarboxylic acid radical where it is $\pm 0.0006$

    ## ${ }^{c}$ Values of $a\left({ }^{13} C\right)$ are from Reference 113.

    $\mathrm{A}=$ adamantane, $\mathrm{N}=$ neat, $\mathrm{CPCA}=$ cyclopentanecarboxylic acid, $\mathrm{CHCA}=$ cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, $\mathrm{CBDCA}=$ cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid, CPDCA $=$ cyclopentanedicarboxylic acid, CPCANa = sodium salt of cyclopentane-

[^7]:    $A_{A}=$ adamantane, $C H=$ clathrate hydrate, CPDA - cyclopentanedicarboxylic acid, CPCANa a cyclopentanecarboxylic acid sodium salt, CHCA = cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, CBCANa = sodium salt of cyclobutanecarboxylic acid, CBDCA $=$ cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid.

