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PREFACE

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION AND LITERATURE REVIEW

Primary Production and the Kinetics of Nitrogen Uptake

Primary production is the rate at which radiant energy is stored by photosynthetic and chemosynthetic activity of producer organisms in the form of organic substances which can be used as food materials (Odum, 1971). The ideal manner to measure primary production is to measure the rate at which energy flows into a system. Since almost all production in nature results in new protoplasm, an equation of productivity might be written as follows:

1,300,000 cal (radiant energy) + 106 CO_2 + 90 H_2O + 16 NO_3 + 1 PO_4^{-3} + mineral elements = 13,000 cal potential energy in 3,258 g protoplasm (106 C, 180 H, 46), 16 N, 1 P, 815 g mineral ash) + 154 O_2 + 1,287,000 cal heat energy dispersed (99%).

[1]

Since there is no practical method in which to measure this energy, several different methods have been used to estimate primary production indirectly. The harvest method is straightforward for producers such as agricultural crops over time periods of months or more. Obviously, this method is not applicable to phytoplankton production during short

periods of time. Other methods include monitoring the rate of appearance of a metabolite such as oxygen, chlorophyll, etc., or disappearance of a nutrient such as carbon dioxide, ammonia, nitrate, phosphate, etc. In general, these chemical methods have been found to have insufficient sensitivity and precision for measuring rates of assimilation (Uphaus, Flaumenhaft and Katz, 1967).

In 1952, Steemann-Nielson introduced a procedure using ¹⁴C-carbon This radioactive tracer method has maintained popularity due to its superior sensitivity. Other radioactive tracer procedures have not been as successful as that of 14 C. One essential requirement of such methods is that the half-life of the element be of sufficient period to allow the experiment and analysis to be performed during that period $(t_{1/2} \text{ of }^{14}\text{C} = 5720 \text{ years})$ (Friedlander, Kennedy and Miller, 1964). Unfortunately, the longest half-life of the radioactive isotopes of nitrogen is very short $(t_{1/2} \text{ of } ^{13}N = 10.0 \text{ minutes})$ (Friedlander, et al., 1964). Burris (1941) points out that in 1940, other investigators, Ruben, Hassid and Kamen (1940), arrived at erroneous conclusions regarding N_2 fixation of barley while using ^{13}N . Radioactive phosphorus, ³²P, has not proved very satisfactory in short term productivity studies, because it is readily adsorbed by sediments and particulate matter and is thus not available for adsorption into living cells.

Estimations of primary productivity based upon the uptake rate of nitrogen is a more logical choice than that for carbon or phosphorus (Dugdale and Goering, 1967). It has been suggested that carbon uptake occurs only during photosynthesis. Nitrogen assimilation is a continuous process only indirectly related to photosynthesis thereby

maintaining an average C to N ratio. Nitrogen is a major structural component of cells. Carbon and phosphorus are not only structural components but are also continuously turned over in the energetic processes of organisms where as nitrogen is not.

Pathways of Nitrogen Uptake and Assimilation

Chemical elements tend to flow in characteristic cyclic paths in the biosphere. Of the three major nutrients (carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus), nitrogen has the most complex cycle, see Figure 1, and is quantitatively understood the least. This may be due to the fact that it is involved in many biochemical transformations (Brezonik, 1972). Mechanisms of nitrogen transports and transformations in phytoplankton are not well established. While this investigation does not strive to elucidate the exact pathways of nitrogen incorporation into cellular organic nitrogen, it does measure the kinetics of uptake. It is therefore felt that a brief discussion of the present views of the systems in question is appropriate. Figure 2 is a summary of this discussion.

Uptake and assimilation of a nutrient are two separate and distinct processes. For the purpose of this manuscript, uptake is defined as the transfer of a nutrient from the media or environment into the cell. In phytoplankton nitrogen uptake is believed to occur at specific sites on the cell wall rather than by an osmotic process. Assimilation is defined as the transformation of a nutrient into organic cellular material. In some cases, phytoplankton are known to accumulate a nutrient against a negative concentration gradient. This indicates the presence of one or more active transport processes rather than

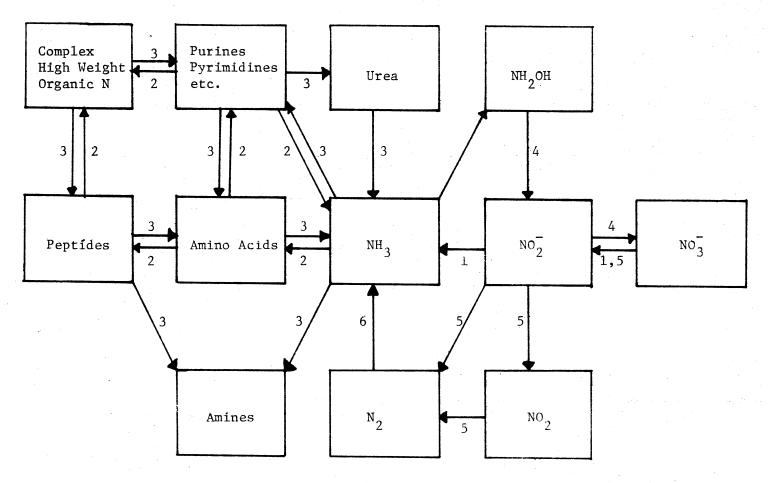


Figure 1. Simplified Nitrogen Cycle Showing Main Molecular Transformations: 1. Nitrate
Assimilation, 2. Ammonia Assimilation, 3. Ammonification, 4. Nitrification,
5. Denitrification, 6. Nitrogen Fixation (Brezonik, 1972)

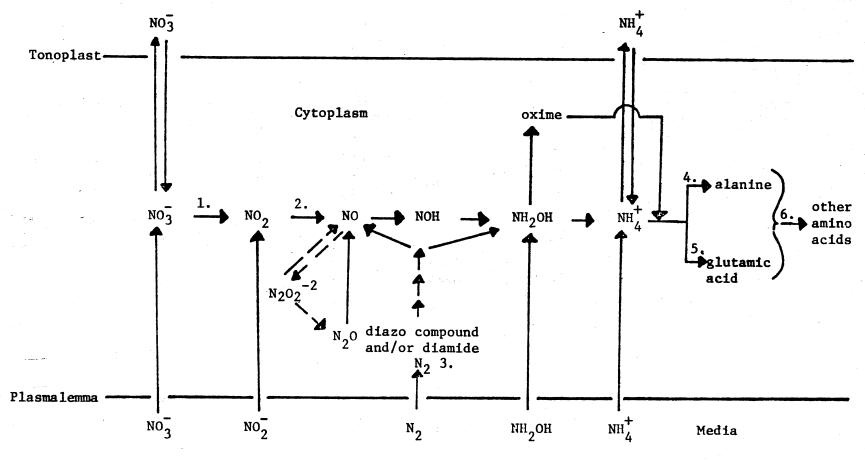


Figure 2. Proposed Pathways of Nitrogen Incorporation. Some Enzymes Associated in Reactions are
1. Nitrate: NADH-oxidoreductase, 2. Nitrite Reductase, 3. Nitrogenase, 4. and 5. Glutamic Dehydrogenase (4. Pyruvate, 5. α-Ketoglutamate), and 6. Transaminase Reactions (Eppley and Rogers, 1970)

mere diffusion. Falkowski (1975) has presented data which suggests the presence of a transport system enzyme, NO_3^- , $C1^-$ activated ATPase, located in the plasmalemma.

Nitrogen compounds may be present in natural waters as cellular constituents, nonliving particulate matter, soluble organic compounds and inorganic ions in solution.

Naturally occurring organic nitrogen is primarily in the form of amino and amide (proteinaceous) compounds. Phytoplankton are through to have limited capability to assimilate organic nitrogen (primarily urea and some amino acids) (Brezonik, 1972). Gardner and Lee (1975) found that the concentrations of dissolved free amino acids in Lake Mendota were controlled by bacteria. Using the reagent fluorescamine, about half of the primary amines found in California coastal water were found to be rapidly taken up by phytoplankton (North, 1975). Those amines not taken up may occur as peptides. Hobbie and Crawford (1968) found that the total amino acid flux represented 1 to 10 percent of the daily photosynthetic carbon fixation in the York River. Droop (1968, 1961) has demonstrated the need for vitamin B₁₂ in Monochrysis Lutheri. Urea-nitrogen was found to be an important source of nitrogen for plankton in the northern Pacific Ocean (Eppley, Rogers and McCarthy, 1969) while plankton in the western Sargasso Sea were barely able to use this nutrient (Carpenter and McCarthy, 1975). Eppley, et al. (1971) have compared the growth rate of phytoplankton grown on three sources of nitrogen: urea, nitrate and ammonia.

Inorganic nitrogen in natural water exists primarily as nitrate, ammonia, nitrite and nitrogen gas. Nitrite uptake occurs in many

phytoplankton (Lui and Roels, 1972); however, nitrite is an intermediate in nitrate assimilation. It is therefore not shown in Figure 1. Ammonia and nitrate assimilation are responsible for the greatest influx of inorganic nitrogen into organisms (Brezonik, 1972).

The ultimate source of nitrogen is atmospheric nitrogen. plants which can convert nitrogen gas to ammonia are called nitrogen The multienzyme complex, nitrogenase, pyruvate as an electron donor, adenine triphosphate, and a divalent metal ion are necessary for nitrogen fixation (Mahler and Cordes, 1971). An "electron carrying protein", ferredoxin (or flavodoxin in the absence of sufficient iron), is involved in the transfer of electrons from pyruvate to nitrogenase. The mechanistic pathway is not completely Several intermediates which have not been found but are clear. theorized include diimide, hydrazine and a diazo-organic compound. Nitrogen fixation is of undoubted importance in blue-green algae (Painter, 1970). (Other nitrogen fixers include photosynthetic, faculative, and various aerobic bacteria, legume root nodules, nonlegume root-nodulated plants, and the Alder tree.) However, fixation rates have been considered to be too low and sporadic to be of significance in the overall nitrogen budgets of most lakes (Brezonik, 1972). This should be reassessed as further studies show fixation potentials (Toetz, 1972) and high variability of algal behavior (Vanderhoef, et al., 1975).

Nitrate is the most abundant inorganic nitrogen form in surface waters and can be used by most plants (Brezonik, 1972). After nitrate uptake has occurred, nitrate may be stored in vacuoles, which often are a very large portion of the cell volume, or may be reduced to

nitrite by the enzyme nitrate: NADH-oxidoreductase (Eppley and Thomas, 1969). This enzyme is said to be inducible in that it is present in phytoplankton cells only while the cells are assimilating nitrate. Nitrate reductase, a nicotinamide nucleotide-linked molybdoflavoprotein, is employed as an initial electron donor; the electron transfer has been elucidated in Neurospora (Mahler and Cordes, 1971). Equation 2 is not a reaction but elucidates the sequence in which the electron transfer agent

ferredoxin
$$\xrightarrow{\text{flavoprotein}} \text{NADH} \rightarrow \text{FAD} \rightarrow \text{Mo}^{+5} \rightarrow \text{NO}_{3}^{-}$$
 [2]

precipitate in the overall transfer. The oxidation steps of molybdenum involved appear to be +5 and +6 (Lui and Roels, 1972).

The reduction of nitrite is accomplished by nitrite reductase, which is usually a nicotinamide nucleotide-linked metalloflavoprotein. At the present time there is no evidence to indicate that nitrite is accumulated in cell vacuoles. The final product of nitrite reduction is ammonia, but whether this reaction is direct or proceeds in a multistep manner is not clear (Hattori, 1962). Substantial evidence exists for the formation of nitric oxide. Evidence for other intermediates such as hyponitrite, nitroxyl, nitrous oxide, nitramide and dihydroxy ammonia is scanty (Painter, 1970). Some studies (Grant and Turner, 1969; Morris and Ahmed, 1969) have shown that light stimulates nitrate and nitrite assimilation by photosynthetically reducing flavoproteins, ferredoxins, etc.

Ammonia is the preferred form for planktonic assimilation because it is already at the reduction level of organic nitrogen. Both hydroxylamine and ammonia can be taken directly into the cell, and the latter can be stored in vacuoles of many phytoplankton. Hydroxylamine

can react with α -keto-acids to form oximes which are catalytically reduced to the corresponding amino acids by L-glutamate:NAD oxido-reductase (Painter, 1970). Ammonia is believed to react with pyruvate and α -keto-glutarate to form alanine and glutamic acid; other amino acids are thought to be formed from these by transaminase reactions. Furthermore, ammonia assimilation is believed to suppress synthesis of nitrate reductase thereby inhibiting assimilation of nitrate (Syrett and Morris, 1963).

Finally, some species of phytoplankton are adaptive toward using different forms of nitrogen (Hattori, 1962) and to the range of concentrations to which they are accustomed (Carpenter and Guillard, 1971).

¹⁵N and the Michaelis-Menten Model

Until 1941, experiments testing nitrogen fixation were based on relatively unreliable changes in the total nitrogen analyzed by procedures such as the Kjeldahl method. Burris, et al. (Burris and Miller, 1941; Burris, 1941; Burris and Eppling, 1943) first used the stable isotope of nitrogen, ¹⁵N, in nitrogen fixations studies. These investigators were able to show data proving, and in some cases disproving, conclusions of other investigators. However, for very small changes in total cellular nitrogen, very highly enriched samples of ¹⁵N were needed. Highly enriched compounds of ¹⁵N did not become commercially available until later.

In the late 1950's and early 1960's, Dugdale and coworkers (Neess, $\underline{\text{et}}$ $\underline{\text{al}}$., 1962) began using the ^{15}N technique in nitrogen fixation studies in lakes of Pennsylvania and Wisconsin (Dugdale and Dugdale,

1965; Dugdale, Dugdale, Nees, and Goering, 1959; Dugdale and Dugdale, 1962) and in the Sargasso Sea near Bermuda (Dugdale, Menzel and Ryther, 1961). Diurnal variations in the uptake of ammonia and nitrate were followed in the Sargasso Sea a few years later (Goering, Dugdale and Menzel, 1964).

In 1965, the uptake of three forms of nitrogen, $^{15}\text{NO}_3^-$, $^{15}\text{NH}_4^+$, and $^{15}\text{N}_2$ were easily characterized into three seasonal stages: 1.) a spring bloom when $^{+}\text{NH}_4^+$, $^{+}\text{NO}_3^-$, and $^{+}\text{N}_2$ are assimilated strongly in that order of importance, 2.) a midsummer period when weak assimilation of $^{+}\text{NH}_4^+$ and $^{+}\text{N}_2$, but not of $^{+}\text{NO}_3^-$, occurred, and 3.) a fall bloom with intense nitrogen fixation and some $^{+}\text{NH}_4^+$ uptake, but characterized by low $^{-}\text{NO}_3^-$ activity. These variations are attributed to the seasonal changes in the phytoplankton community.

Dugdale and Goering (1967) examined primary production in several oceanic locations using $^{15}\mathrm{N}$ and $^{14}\mathrm{C}$ labeled compounds. Uptake of nitrate as a fraction of nitrate plus ammonia uptake was characterized as having values typical of subtropical regions or northern temperate coastal or inland water regions. Vertical profiles of $^{15}\mathrm{N}$ labeled nitrate and ammonia uptake and $^{14}\mathrm{C}$ uptake were found to exhibit very similar patterns.

Early quantitative observations resulted in the determination of two relationships. Uptake rate is a function of nutrient in the environment of the phytoplankton. Total phytoplankton yield is proportional to initial nutrient concentration, not a function of growth rate.

In 1967, two investigators, Dugdale (1967) and Caperon (1967, 1969), reported that a hyperbolic relationship between the growth

rate-limiting nutrient concentration and the uptake rate of that nutrient can often describe phytoplankton behavior. Monod (1942), had shown this to be the case for bacteria populations. When this is true, the Michaelis-Menten theory of enzyme kinetics can be used to describe the hyperbola, Equation 3. (The derivation of the Michaelis-Menten Equation is shown in Appendix A (Segal, 1968.)

$$v = \frac{V_m \times S}{K_S + S}$$
 [3]

where v is the rate of nutrient uptake, V_m is the maximum rate of nutrient uptake, K_s is the nutrient concentration at which $v = V_m/2$, and S is the concentration of nutrient or substrate.

The simplest plot of Equation 3, v vs. S, is hyperbolic, Figure 3. Mathematical transformations of this equation yield three forms from which linear plots can be made. The first transformation,

$$1/v = K_s/V_m \times 1/S + 1/V_m$$
, [4]

is the Lineweaver-Burk plot of 1/v vs. 1/S, Figure 4. In this case the x-intercept is $-1/K_{_{\rm S}}$, the y-intercept is $1/V_{_{\rm m}}$, and the slope is $K_{_{\rm S}}/V_{_{\rm S}}$. The next transformation,

$$S/v = 1/V_m \times S + K_S/V_m$$
, [5]

is the Woolf plot of S/v vs. S, Figure 5. Here the x-intercept is $-K_s$, the y-intercept is again K_s/V_m , and the slope is $1/V_m$. Finally, the last transformation,

$$v = -K_{S} \times v/S + V_{m}, \qquad [6]$$

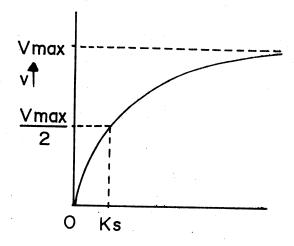


Figure 3. The Hyperbolic
Michaelis-Menten
Plot

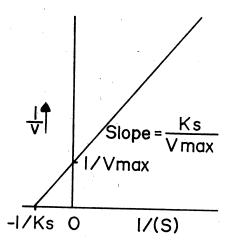


Figure 4. The Lineweaver-Burk Plot

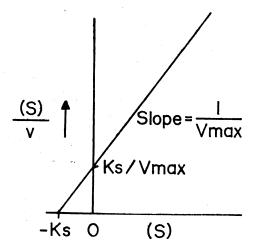


Figure 5. The Woolf Plot

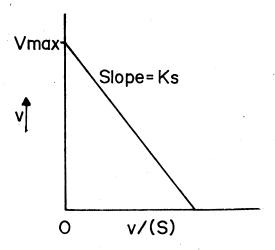


Figure 6. The Hofstee Plot

is the Hofstee plot of v vs. v/S, Figure 6. The y-intercept is $\rm V_m$ and the slope is $\rm ^{-K}_{\rm s}.$

Normally v and S are controlled or measured and V_m and K_s are subsequently calculated. Since Equations 4 and 5 are identical to Equation 6, they all should yield the same numerical values of V_m and K_s . This would be the case if v and S contained no error. When error is present and the curves are fitted by eye or an unweighted least squares regression analysis, the three transformations give estimates of the parameters with varying degrees of accuracy. Small values of v tend to have the greatest percentage error; thus, those plots involving an axis containing v^{-1} tend to emphasize points containing the most uncertainty. Plots containing the same variable in the terms of both axes have some unfounded correlation.

Dowd and Riggs (1965) statistically compared the results of these three transformations using a computer to generate data for values of v each of which had a normal distribution around its mean; S was assumed to contain no error. Estimates of $K_{\rm S}$ and $V_{\rm m}$ from the Lineweaver-Burke transformation were by far the least reliable. Estimates from the Woolf and Hofstee transformations differed only slightly depending upon the type of error assumed.

The constants K and V allow a mathematical basis on which to compare different bodies of water and different types of phytoplankton. This may prove to explain phytoplankton competition and succession.

For example, Dugdale (1967) has shown hypothetical curves for two species of algae in which the alga with the higher $\rm V_m$ also has a higher $\rm K_s$ than the other alga. This enables the second alga to have higher uptake rates than the first at low nutrient concentrations.

Such a situation may explain such phenomena as diatom dominance in nutrient rich areas.

Finally, these constants may be used to control the phytoplankton community by controlling the concentration of nutrients for such applications as fish farms and the elimination of harmful or noxious algae such as <u>Microcystis aeruginosa</u> Kutzing, which produces a diarrhea toxin in rats (Aziz, 1974).

The use of nitrogen enriched with the stable isotope, 15 N, to quantitatively measure the rate of nitrogen uptake immediately poses the question of isotopic effect. The isotope ratio of 15 N/ 14 N in biological material does not in general differ strikingly or consistently in the composition of non-biological material (Neess, et al., 1962). Hoering and Ford (1960) studied the fixation rates of 15 N 14 N and 14 N 14 N in Azotobacter and found the ratio of these two rates to be 1.000 \pm 0.001. In their study an "overall" isotope effect in this fixation process is not observed.

Uphaus, Flaumenhaft and Katz (1967) have grown the alga, <u>Chlorella vulgaris</u>, on three stable isotopes of elements which are biologically important, carbon (13 C), oxygen (18 0) and nitrogen (15 N). Effects in highly substituted cells such as larger cell size and changes in the quantity and distribution of cellular components (nucleic acids, carbohydrates and proteins) were noted. However, this study verified previous findings of other investigators (Neess, <u>et al.</u>, 1962; Uphaus, <u>et al.</u>, 1967) that 15 N has a very small biochemical kinetic effect and can be expected to produce cellular changes of a much smaller magnitude than 18 0 or 13 C.

Since the concept of quantitating nutrient uptake rate with the constants of Michaelis-Menten kinetics was first demonstrated for nitrate and ammonia in phytoplankton, $K_{\rm S}$ and $V_{\rm m}$ have been measured for natural populations (Eppley, Rogers and McCarthy, 1969; MacIsaac and Dugdale, 1969; MacIsaac and Dugdale, 1972; Toetz, Varga and Loughran, 1973) and specific species (Eppley and Renger, 1974; Carpenter and McCarthy; 1975; Eppley and Coatsworth, 1968; Caperon and Meyer, 1972). Lehman, Botkins and Likens (1975) have compiled from the literature the $K_{\rm S}$ values for 21 species and the $V_{\rm m}$ for seven species of phytoplankton for nitrate and/or ammonia uptake. The $K_{\rm S}$ values listed have a range of 0.1 to 70 uM nitrate and 0.1 to 7.5 μ M ammonia. Typical values for $V_{\rm m}$ for nitrate and ammonia are 10^{-10} to 10^{-6} μ moles hr⁻¹.

Many different types of mass spectrometers have been used to study ¹⁵N uptake. These types include such instruments as the Bendix Time of Flight (Dugdale and Goering, 1967; MacIsaac and Dugdale, 1967), single beam Nier sector (McCarthy and Eppley, 1972), and isotope ratio (Dugdale, et al., 1959; Dugdale, et al., 1961; Nees, et al., 1962) mass spectrometers, Table I. In general, the isotope ratio mass spectrometers are capable of more accurate and precise measurements. However, they have two disadvantages: sample sizes of several milligrams are required and samples must be very pure if accurate results are to be obtained (Caprioli, 1973).

Chlorine

The use of chlorine in water systems is extensive. It is used for general disinfection, organism control in swimming pools, sterilization in fish hatchery water, fly control at wastewater facilities,

Type of Mass Spectrometer	Sample	Sample Value Atom % ¹⁵ N	Number of Samples	Sample Standard Deviation	Mean Standard Deviation	Other Error Expression	Error Value	Ref.
Single Beam Nier Sector	<u></u>	0.364	42	0.0098		<u>-</u>	<u></u>	a
Consolidated Nier Isotope	Air	0.359		·				Ъ
Ratio	Lake Water	0.365	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Consolidated Nier Isotope Ratio	$(NH_4)_2SO_4$ $\rightarrow N_2$	0.361				95% Confidence Interval Reproducibility	0.003 0.001	C
Consolidated Model 21-201 Isotope Ratio	$(NH_4)_2SO_4$ $\rightarrow N_2$	0.3668	17	0.00347	0.00084			đ
	Lake Water Samples	0.3693	13	0.00670	0.00186			
	Lake Mendota Samples	0.3694	13	0.00379	0.00010			
	Lake Wingra Samples	0.3680	15	0.00633	0.0016		·	
	Tank N ₂	0.3508	19	0.0018	0.00024			

TABLE I (CONTINUED)

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Type of Mass Spectrometer	Sample	Sample Value Atom % ¹⁵ N	Number of Samples	Sample Standard Deviation	Mean Standard Deviation	Other Error Expression	Error Value	Ref.
	$(NH_4)_2SO_4$ $\rightarrow N_2$	0.3528	8	0.00085	0.00030			
	Lake Water Samples	0.3531	11	0.00052	0.00016			
Time of Flight	Ocean Samples	0.370	2			Precision	0.01	e
MI 1305 Made in USSR						Relative Error Reproducibility	0.5% 0.006	f
MI 1305 Made in USSR	$NH_4C1 \rightarrow N_2$					Coefficient of Variation of $15_{ m N}/14_{ m N}$	0.5 - 0.7%	g
Single Beam Nier Sector	Enriched Seawat Samples	er 0.448	13	0.0124				h
AEI Model MS-10	Marine Samples					Corrections for temperature,		i
						background, and ion pump		
^a Burris, <u>et al</u> ., 1943		d _{Nees}	^d Neess, <u>et</u> <u>al</u> ., 1962			g _{Prochazkova} ,	<u>et al.,</u>	1970
b _{Dugdale, <u>et</u> <u>al</u>}	., 1959	e Dugda	e Dugdale and Goering, 1967			^h McCarthy and		
^C Dugdale, <u>et al</u>	., 1961	^f Kralo	f Kralova, 1967			i Pavlou, <u>et</u> <u>a</u>		

reduction in BOD, clarification, and taste and odor control (White, 1972). The use of chlorine has provided major protection of public health. Furthermore chlorine has proven to be an efficient and cheap method of removing biological slimes on the heat exchange surfaces necessary in many industries and power plants (Draley, 1972).

The impact on man and his environment of the extensive use of chlorine has not yet been fully evaluated. An estimated 1000 tons of chlorinated organic compounds are discharged annually into this nation's waterways as a result of chlorination of wastewater. Carlson (1974) and Jolley (1973) have presented excellent studies on the characterization of the chlorinated organic compounds from wastewater.

Brungs (1973) has reviewed the effect of residual chlorine on aquatic life. Most of the studies have focused on the effect of chlorine on fish. Tsai (1971) found that 100 ppb residual chlorine reduced the species diversity index by 50% for fish. Sprague and Drury (1969) have concluded that 10 ppb residual chlorine and 12 days of exposure are fatal to trout.

Some investigators have focused on the effect of chlorine on primary productivity. It has been estimated that power plants alone will use twice the annual fresh-water runoff of the nation by the year 2000. This presents the synergistic effect of heat plus residual chlorine affecting primary production (Sorge, 1969; Hamilton, et al., 1970; Carpenter, Peck and Anderson, 1972).

Nevertheless, chlorine residuals are believed to be the primary cause of a reduction in photosynthesis (Brook and Baker, 1972; Carpenter, et al., 1972; Hamilton, et al., 1970). One investigator has shown how a theoretical 15% depression of photosynthesis for one day in the

effluent on an electric power generating station with a consumption of 500,000 gal/min. could result in a loss of 424 tons of dried tissue in one growing season (Morgan and Stross, 1969). Other investigators (Hirayama and Hirano, 1970) have shown that while some algae are killed by ten minute exposures of 1.5 to 2.3 ppm Cl, other algae are not irreversibly damaged by twenty minute exposures of 20 ppm Cl. Specific damage to some algae have been shown to include changes in cell color, damage to cell walls, leaching of cellular content, and cellular deformation (Betzer and Knott, 1969).

The Chlorine-Water-Ammonia Equilibria

Chlorine gas is only slightly soluble in water as shown by the equilibrium constant, K = 0.062. Nine half-cell reactions with their standard potentials aid in defining the potential chlorine species in aqueous solution, Table II (Cotton and Wilkinson, 1967). Equation 12 coupled with the half-cell of the oxidation of water, Equation 16, demonstrates the oxidation strength of chlorine:

$$O_2 + 4H^+ + 4e^- = 2H_2O$$
, $E^\circ = 1.23 \text{ v}$. [16]

Although the oxidation of water is thermodynamically favorable,

Equation 17, the activation energy is so high that disproportionation
of chlorine into hypochlorous and hydrochloric acid occurs instead,

Equation 18:

$$C1_2 + H_2O = 2H^+ + 2C1^- + 1/2O_2$$
, E° = 0.13 v, [17]

$$C1_2 + H_2O = HC1O + H^+ + C1^-, K = 4.2 \times 10^{-4}.$$
 [18]

TABLE II

THE STANDARD POTENTIALS FOR REACTION
OF CHLORINE IN SOLUTION*

Half-Cell Reactions	E° (Volts)	
$H^+ + HOC1 + e^- = 1/2C1_2 + H_2O$	1.63	[7]
$3H^{+} + HC10_{2} + 3e^{-} = 1/2C1_{2} + 2H_{2}O$	1.64	[8]
$6H^{+} + C10_{3}^{-} + 5e^{-} = 1/2C1_{2} + 3H_{2}O$	1.47	[9]
$8H^{+} + C10_{4}^{-} = 7e^{-} = 1/2C1_{2} + 4H_{2}O$	1.42	[10]
$1/2C1_2 e^- = C1^-$	1.36	[11]
$C10^{-} + H_{2}^{0} + 2e^{-} = C1^{-} + 20H^{-}$	0.89	[12]
$C10_2^- + 2H_2O + 4e^- = C1^- + 4OH^-$	0.78	[13]
$C10_3^- + 3H_2^0 + 6e^- = C1^- + 60H^-$	0.63	[14]
$C10_4^- + 4H_2^0 + 8 e^- = C1^- + 80H^-$	0.56	[15]
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^{*(}Cotton and Wilkinson, 1967)

A saturated solution of chlorine would contain 0.061 M $\rm Cl_2$, and 0.030 M $\rm H^+$, $\rm Cl^-$, and HOC1. Hypochlorous acid is a weak acid with a dissociation constant of 3.4 x $\rm 10^{-8}$. Thus, hypochlorous acid and hypochlorite ion concentrations will be equal at a pH of 7.5.

In basic solution, where hypochlorite ion formation is favored, a further disproportionation has a favorable equilibrium constant:

$$3C10^{-} = 2C1^{-} + C10_{3}^{-}, K = 10^{27}$$
 [19]

However, this reaction is slow at room temperature and below, such that fairly pure solutions of HOCl and OCl can be produced in cold solutions. In hot solutions, 75°C, a good yield of Clo₃ can be obtained. Disproportionation of hypochlorous acid into chlorous and hydrochloric acids is quite unfavorable and does not take place to an appreciable extent:

$$2HC10 = C1^{-} + H^{+} + HC10_{2}, K = 10^{-5}$$
 [20]

Similar disproportionation of hypochlorite ions to chloride and chlorite ions is favorable, Equation 21, but is very slow and must compete with Equation 19 and is therefore not observed.

$$2C10^{-} = C1^{-} + C10_{2}^{-}, K = 10^{7}$$
 [21]

Disproportionation of chlorate into chloride and perchlorate is once again thermodynamically very favorable, Equation 22, but very slow even in solutions near 100°C.

$$4C10_3^- = 3C10_4^- + C1^-, K = 10^{29}$$
 [22]

Ammonia exists in aqueous solution as free ammonia, NH_3 , and as the ammonium ion, NH_4^+ , in the relative proportion described by Equation 23:

$$NH_3 + H_2O = NH_4^+ + OH^-, K = 1.81 \times 10^{-5}.$$
 [23]

Hypochlorous acid reacts rapidly with ammonia to form monochloramine, dichloramine, and trichloramine:

$$NH_3 + HOC1 = NH_2C1 + H_2O, K = 3.6 \times 10^9,$$
 [24]

$$NH_2C1 + HOC1 = NHC1_2 + H_2O, K = 1.33 \times 10^6,$$
 [25]

$$NHC1_2 + HOC1 = NC1_3 + H_2O$$
, K is unavailable. [26]

The reaction products are dependent upon pH and reactant concentrations. Distribution of mono- and dichloramine as a function of pH and ammonium ion concentration can be seen by combining Equations 23, 24 and 25:

$$2NH_2C1 + H^+ = NH_4^+ + NHC1_2$$
, $K = 6.7 \times 10^5$. [27]

Trichloramine is in significant concentrations below a pH of 4.

Dichloramine predominates between a pH of 5 and 6.5 and chloramine is the major specie at pH values greater than 7.5.

The Breakpoint Phenomenon

When chlorination of near neutral solutions occurs at a chlorine to ammonia ratio of less than 5 to 1 (by weight), the practice is called the chloramine or the chlorine-ammonia process and Equation 24

describes the principal reaction and product, chloramine. However, as the chlorine to ammonia ratio increases from 5 to 1, to 10 to 1, a decrease in chlorine residuals (chloramine, hypochlorous acid, etc.) and a decrease in ammonia concentration is observed. After a ratio of chlorine to ammonia (initial) reaches approximately 10 to 1, further chlorine additions yield free and combined residuals of chlorine in a linear fashion. These observations are graphically presented in Figure 7 and were first published by Griffin (1941). Attempts to explain Griffin's findings prompted many scientific investigations. However, the breakpoint phenomenon is only partially understood today.

The importance of the breakpoint phenomenon is in its relation to tastes and odors and in the germicidal efficiency of the species present. It has been shown that between the maxima and minima of Figure 7, the dichloramine concentration is significantly enhanced at the expense of monochloramine. Dichloramine has a disagreeable chlorinous taste while monochloramine does not. Finally, the germicidal efficiency to the right of the minima is 25 times or more greater than that on the left (White, 1972).

On a pilot plant scale, Barnes, Atkins, and Scherger (1972) have found that up to 98% of ammonia-nitrogen can be removed from raw sewage as a result of the breakpoint reactions. Pressley, et al. (1973) found laboratory breakpoint reaction results were in agreement with pilot plant studies. Both of these investigations considered the effect of pH and temperature.

The exact pathway(s) of the breakpoint phenomenon reactions have not been quantitatively determined. However, three steps are generally believed to occur:

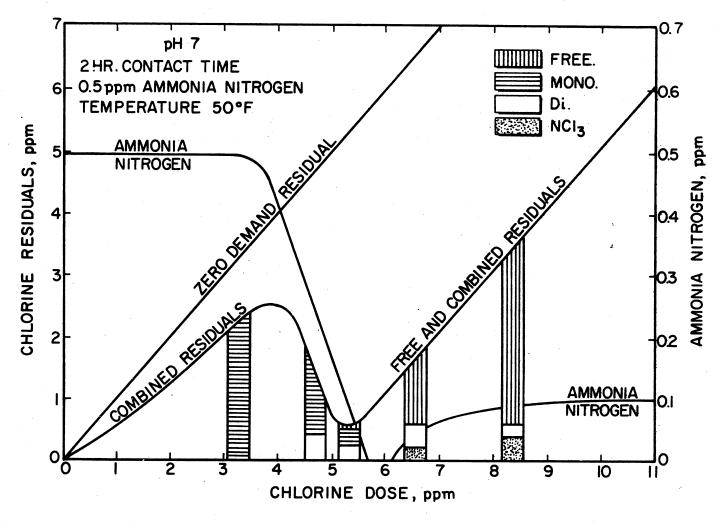


Figure 7. The Relationship of Ammonia-Nitrogen and Chlorine - the Breakpoint Phenomenon (White, 1972)

A. the disproportionation of monochloramine,

$$NH_2C1 + H_2O \stackrel{?}{\sim} HOC1 + NH_3,$$
 [28]

$$NH_{2}C1 + HOC1 \stackrel{?}{=} NHC1_{2} + H_{2}O,$$
 [29]

or,
$$NH_2C1 + acid \neq (NH_2C1 \cdot acid)$$
, [30]

$$(NH_2C1 \cdot acid) + NH_2C1 \neq NHC1_2 + NH_3 + acid,$$
 [31]

B. the decomposition of dichloramine,

$$NHC1_2 \rightarrow H^+ + NC1_2^-,$$
 [32]

$$NC1_{2}^{-} \xrightarrow{(OH^{-})} NC1 + C1^{-},$$
 [33]

$$NC1 + OH^{-} \rightarrow NOH + C1^{-},$$
 [34]

or,
$$NC1_2^- + OH^- \rightarrow NC1(OH)^- + C1^- + H^+$$
, [35]

$$NC1(OH)^- \rightarrow NOH + C1^-,$$
 [36]

and, C. the decomposition of the nitroxyl radical intermediate,

$$2NOH \rightarrow H_2N_2O_2 \rightarrow N_2O + H_2O,$$
 [37]

$$NOH + NH_2C1 \rightarrow N_2 + H_2O + H^+ + C1^-,$$
 [38]

NOH + NHC1₂
$$\rightarrow$$
 N₂ + HOC1 + H⁺ + C1⁻, [39]

NOH +
$$2HOC1 \rightarrow NO_3^- + 3H^+ + C1^-$$
. [40]

CHAPTER II

EXPERIMENTAL ACTIVITY

Study Area

The experiments described herein were performed in Lake Carl Blackwell, Figure 8. This lake is located in north-central Oklahoma in Payne County and is used for recreation and as a water supply for the city of Stillwater, which is 11 km east of the lake (Cole, 1975). The lake was built in 1938, and reached spillway level in 1945. It is an impoundment of Stillwater Creek; major water inflow is from water drainage of pastured grassland and wheat farmland. The lake has a surface area of approximately 15 square kilometers at spillway level, 283.2 m m.s.1.

Due to increased municipal demand and low rainfall, the surface area decreased to less than 10 square kilometers by 1961 (Norton, 1968). The lake again rose to spillway level in 1973. It has fluctuated near this level since that time. The lake stratifies in early summer, and turbidity and chemical distribution indicate the epilimnion is wind circulated (Rice, 1972).

General Experimental Procedure

Each experiment was initiated by the collection of water at a depth of approximately 60 cm. Both water collection and incubation

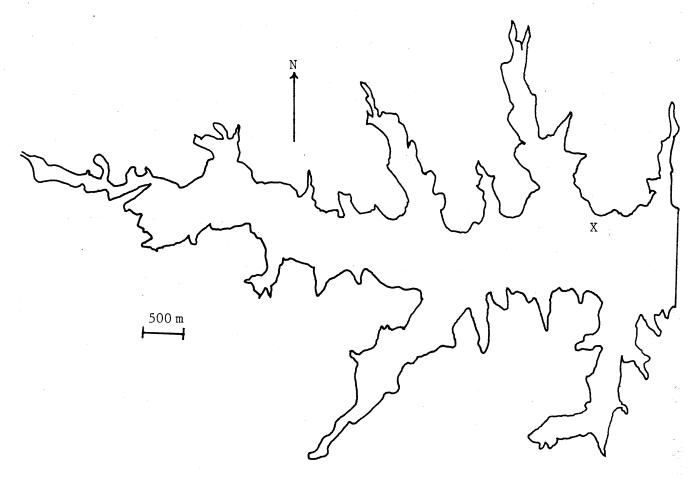


Figure 8. Shoreline Map of Lake Carl Blackwell at Spillway Level. "X" Indicates Location of Sampling Station

occurred at the station shown in Figure 8. The sample was filtered through a 0.202 mm net to remove the larger zooplankton. The sample was then transported to shore in a 20 1 carboy.

Water samples were preserved and later the species and density were determined by the method of McNabb (1960). Aliquots of the lake water sample were used for the determinations of particulate nitrogen and chloraphyll <u>a</u> by the spectrophotometric methods of Parsons and Strickland (1963) and Holm-Hansen (1968), respectively. A third portion of water was filtered through 0.45 µ membrane filter, stored on ice, and transported to Stillwater for chemical analyses. Laboratory procedure followed the phenolhydrochlorite method of Soloranzo (1969) for the determination of ambient ammonia concentrations. The Azo method of Strickland and Parsons (1968) was used to determine ambient nitrate and nitrite concentrations. Ambient phosphate concentrations were determined using the phosphomolybdate blue method (Strickland and Parsons, 1968).

The incubation quart bottles were filled with lake water and spiked with the perturbing chemicals of interest and rigorously shaken to ensure mixing. These bottles were placed in a steel frame in linear order; a bottle of unaltered lake water was placed at each end. They were immediately transported to the incubation station and suspended from a float into the lake. A black cloth was used to cover the bottles during transportation to minimize exposure to direct sunlight. Incubation periods were approximately 24 hours in length to avoid complication of diel periodicity. Results are therefore expressed as mean rates for the period of incubation. Upon

removal of the bottles from the lake, a 10 ml portion of Lugol's solution was added to each bottle to terminate the experiment. The bottles were transported to Stillwater where their contents were filtered onto muffled Reever Angel 984 H ultra glass filters.

These filters were dried and stored in a desiccator until later conversion to nitrogen gas.

Lake water temperature was monitored at the beginning and end of each experiment. A pyranometer (Weather Measure Corporation) was used to continuously monitor solar radiation during the experiment. A planimeter was used to integrate the area under the curve for the incubation interval. A submarine photometer (G. M. Manufacturing Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.) was used to obtain the extinction coefficient for the lake water as a measure of turbidity.

Conversion of the nitrogen compounds retained by the glass filters to N₂ gas followed Barsdate and Dugdale (1965). A Coleman Nitrogen Analyzer, Model 29 A, pyrolyzed the sample over a copper oxide catalyst. The gases were swept through nitrogen cold traps and pumped into pyrex breakseal ampoules. The gas was then introduced into a mass spectrometer (CEC 21-110B) for isotope analysis. Data was oscillographically recorded on strip charts, manually read, and coded for processing in an IBM 360 computer.

Experiments During 1973

From late in April, 1973, to the middle of October, 1973, a total of 27 experiments were performed on 15 experimental dates. Labeled nitrate uptake was the focus during this entire period. In general, these experiments involved six concentrations of $^{15}\text{NO}_3^-$ incubated at

the surface or at 0.8 m subsurface. However, four experiments were designed in triplicate to check the reproducibility of the final data. Between June 6 and September 9, twelve experiments were performed at approximately weekly intervals measuring the nitrate uptake rates. Incubation was accomplished by suspending the bottles from the float at just under the water surface. The goal of these experiments was to follow the change in ${\rm K}_{\rm S}$ and ${\rm V}_{\rm max}$ through the summer of the lake. Eight experiments were performed by incubation at 0.8 m subsurface. A separate study evolved from these experiments measuring the vertical variation in nitrate uptake by phytoplankton as a function of light attenuation (Cole, 1975). Finally, three experiments were designed as a pilot study to indicate the feasibility of measuring the effect of chlorine on nitrate uptake. Two of these experiments were designed to observe the effect on nitrate uptake while holding total chlorine constant and varying the nitrate concentrations. The final experiments held nitrate concentration constant at 10% above the ambient and varied the total chlorine.

Gas Collection

After analysis of the experiments and results for 1973, procedures and experimental designs were reevaluated. Combustion of the individual samples, manual switching of the Toepler pump, and sealing of the ampoules were found to be time consuming procedural steps. Manipulation of the Toepler pump was also found to be the step in which samples were frequently lost due to operator error.

Three changes were made in an attempt to improve this phase of sample processing. The vacuum system was redesigned to have a minimal

volume thus allowing a more efficient transfer of gas. A compact semiautomatic Toepler pump, see Figure 9, of the design of Urry and Urry (1956) was donated by Dr. E. M. Hodnett. A controller was built from a 4PDT latching relay (Potter and Brumfield, KB17AY) and two solenoid valves (ASCO, Ca. NO. 82602). Finally, the liquid nitrogen cold trap used for trapping carbon dioxide and water was redesigned from a tube within a tube to radiator coils. This allowed a minimal volume, maximum surface area and therefore more efficient trapping.

Mass Spectrometric Analysis

The mass spectrometric determinations of the atom percent $^{15}\mathrm{N}$ were made on a CEC Model 110B high resolution instrument (single detector). Masses corresponding to $^{14}\mathrm{N}_2$ and $^{14}\mathrm{N}_1^{-15}\mathrm{N}$ were automatically and alternately scanned. The signal from the electron multiplier was fed through five galvanometers and oscillographically recorded as five lines (peaks on a photosensitive strip chart). The galvanometers were calibrated with a reference voltage and five precision resistors to correspond to amplifications of 1, 3, 10, 30 and 100 to within one percent.

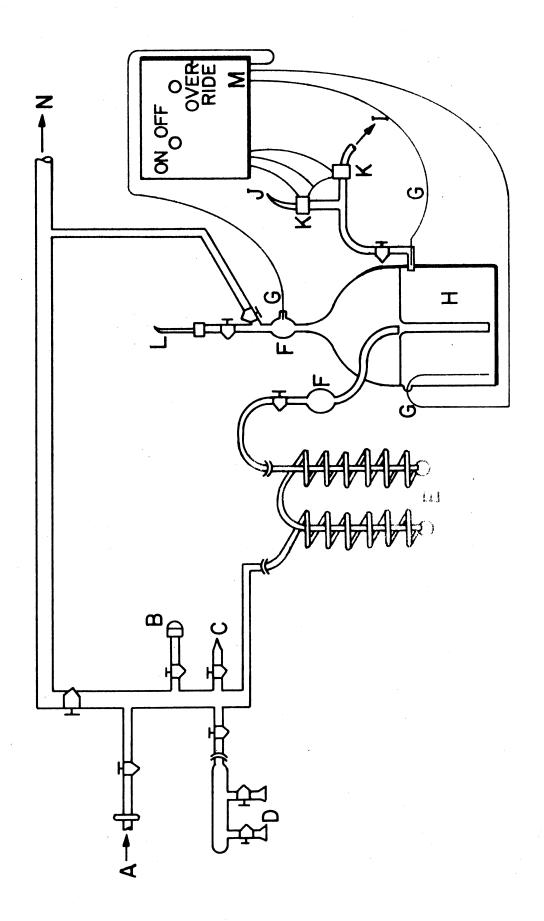
The atom percent ^{15}N in a sample of nitrogen gas is given by Equation 41:

atom %
$$^{15}N = \frac{(^{14}N^{15}N) + 2(^{15}N_2)}{2((^{14}N_2) + (^{14}N^{15}N) + (^{15}N_2))} \times 100.$$
 [41]

The equilibrium constant for the reaction

$${}^{14}N_2 + {}^{15}N_2 = 2^{14}N^{15}N$$
 [42]

Figure 9. The Vacuum System Used for the Collection of Nitrogen Gas. A. Coleman Analyzer; B. Thermal Couple of the Hastings Pressure Gauge; C. Vent to Atmosphere; D. Hyprobromite Conversion Manifold; E. Two Liquid Nitrogen Radiator Coil Traps; F. Mercury Float Valves; G. Mercury Contact Wires; H. Toepler Pump; I. Rough Pump; J. Vent to Atmosphere; K. Solenoid Valves; L. Breakseal Ampoule; M. Toepler Controller; N. Oil Diffusion Pump



is 4.000 at 25°C and is given by Equation 43 (Beynon, 1960):

$$K = \frac{(^{14}N^{15}N)^2}{(^{14}N_2)^{(15}N_2)} . [43]$$

Solving Equation 43 for $^{15}\text{N}_2$ and substituting into Equation 41 yields Equation 44, from which the ^{15}N abundance can be calculated (Bremner, 1965).

Atom
$$%^{15}N = \frac{100}{2R + 1}$$
, [44]

where R is the ratio of the ion current at m/e 28 to that at m/e 29. This equation is advantageous when the ion currents at m/e 28 and 29 are much larger than that of 30 or when dual detectors are used. In the latter case R can be obtained directly from a voltage divider.

In this investigation the atom percents ¹⁵N for all samples were below 40% and typically 0.5 to 10%. Thus, the oscillographic traces were separated by one or more of the stated amplifications. The error of manually determining the peak heights was responsible for a much larger error in the signal from the m/e 29 than that of m/e 28. The total error in the atom percent ¹⁵N as a function of errors in the peak heights can be found by the derivative of Equation 44, which is Equation 45.

$$d(atom \%^{15}N) = 200(2xy^{-1} + 1)^{-2} (x dy y^{-2} - dx y^{-1}),$$
 [45]

Table III was constructed to show the error in measuring P_{29} at different amplifications as a function of the error in the atom percent $^{15}{\rm N}$ at natural abundance. It was assumed that $P_{28} = 150~{\rm mm}$ on the galvanometer with an amplification of unity and no error existed in measuring P_{28} .

TABLE III THE ABSOLUTE ERROR IN THE NATURAL ABUNDANCE OF $^{15}{\rm N}$ AS A FUNCTION OF THE ERRORS IN MEASURING THE PEAK HEIGHTS OF m/e 29 IN MILLIMETERS

Absolute Error	Amplification				
in Atom % ¹⁵ N	1	3	10	30	100
1.0		. `		9.1	3.0
0.5		>10.0	>10.0	4.5	1.5
0.1		9.1	3.0	0.9	0.3
0.05	>10.0	4.5	1.5	0.5	0.2
0.1	3.0	0.9	0.3	0.1	<0.1
0 005	1.5	0.5	0.2	<0.1	
0.001	0.3	0.1	<0.1		

Table IV was constructed to show the effect of a constant error in measuring P_{29} at different levels of enrichment. The following assumptions were made in calculating the values in this Table: P_{28} = 150 mm on the galvanometer with an amplification of unity, the amplification of P_{29} and the sample enrichment were such that P_{29} = 110.2 mm on its resulting galvanometer, and the error in measuring P_{29} = 1 mm. This table shows that as the enrichment of P_{29} increases, the percent relative error in the atom percent P_{29} .

TABLE IV

THE ABSOLUTE AND RELATIVE ERROR AT VARIOUS ENRICHMENT LEVELS OF ¹⁵N AS A FUNCTION OF A CONSTANT ERROR (1 mm) IN MEASURING THE PEAK HEIGHT OF m/e 29

Enrichment Level in Atom $\%$ N	Absolute Error in Atom % ¹⁵ N	$\%$ Relative Error in Atom $\%$ $^{15}{ m N}$
0.366	0.003	0.90
1.090	0.01	0.90
3.543	0.03	0.88
9.926	0.08	0.82
26.865	0.18	0.66

These Tables emphasize the importance of accurately determining the peak height corresponding to the m/e 29. This was done when the sample size was maximized and a "practical" maximum amount of the sample was used in the analysis.

All of a sample could not be used in the analysis. A maximum amount of sample was present in the ion source shortly after sample introduction; from that moment, the sample amount (and therefore the m/e 28 and 29 signals) was decreasing. A finite amount of time was required to scan each mass of interest such that when m/e 28 is scanned the amount of $^{14}\mathrm{N}_2$ in the ion source was not the same as when the previous or next scan of m/e 29 was made. Two techniques are

commonly used to compensate for this. A very small leak line between the sample and ion source allows the change of sample amount to be smaller than other errors in the analysis. Therefore, no correction or time averaging need be considered; however, many scans of each mass (1,000 or more) are necessary to use an appreciable amount of the sample in the analysis. The second method involves analysis of a large amount of sample by use of a larger leak line and requires a correction or time average to compensate for the decrease in the sample pressure of the ion source. This method requires that the leak rate be linear or known.

A measure of the leak rate of the capillary used in our line was made. A typical sample was loaded and introduced into the mass spectrometer. The pressure of the ion source was found to decrease only a few percent during a one hour period. Several capillaries having approximately ten times the previous leak rate were made and installed. The new leak was found to give much greater signals while the signals decreased only a few percent during each analysis.

Until this time, three scans of m/e 28 and 29 were taken for analysis. After modification of the leak rate, procedure was modified to include time averaging: i.e. six scans of m/e 29 and five scans of m/e 28 were collected for analysis.

The use of larger amounts of sample allowed a reduction in the applied voltage per stage of the electron multiplier. This gave the further advantageous result of decreasing the noise per unit deflection on the strip chart. Tank nitrogen samples were processed at this new and higher range of ion source pressures to test for the possibility of "space charging" occurring in the

ion source. No mass discrimination as a function of source pressure was detected.

Mass Spectrometer Output - Electronic Filtration

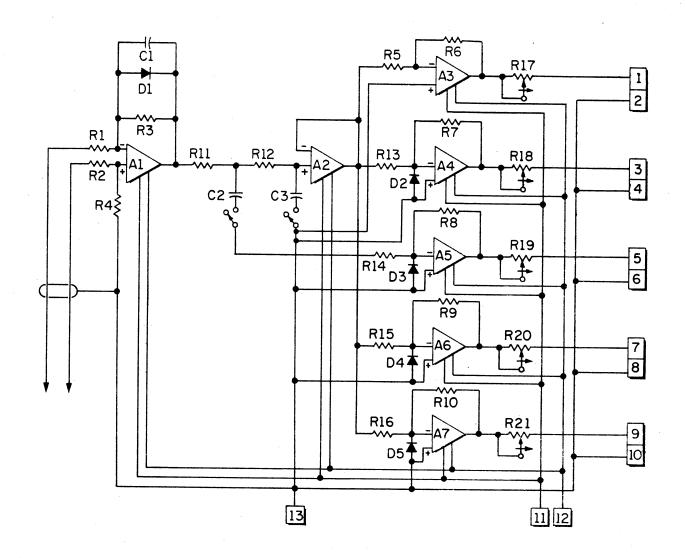
The CEC Model 110B instrument was originally designed without the unamplified galvanometer signal having been filtered. Four of the galvanometers received signals which had passed through two RC filters in series, and four separate voltage following operational amplifiers with the previous stated gains of 3, 10, 30, and 100.

In determining the atom percent ¹⁵N it was found that the best results could be obtained when the signal corresponding to m/e 29 was maximized. This made use of the galvanometer with amplification of unity highly desirable for measurement of the signal corresponding to m/e 28. The unfiltered signal had a very low signal to noise ratio as compared to the filtered and amplified signals. It was therefore decided to modify the circuit such that all the galvanometers would receive signals which had been filtered.

The output of the operational amplifier, A2, was directly fed into the appropriate galvanometer. This resulted in a very large current load with irreproducible atom percent $^{15}\mathrm{N}$ data as a function of ion source pressure.

Figure 10 is a schematic of the final circuit modification. The signal from A2 was fed into a voltage following operational amplifier, A3, set at a gain of one with 30 K ohms resistors. This gave sufficient input impedance to the corresponding galvanometer.

Figure 10. Circuit Diagram of the Filtering and Amplifying Network. All Resistors are 1% and 1/2 W: R1 Through R8 = 30 K, R9 Through R10 = 60.4 K, R11 = 3.9 K, R12 = 12 K, R13 = 9.090 K, R14 = 3K, R15 = 1.8 K, R16 = 604, and R17 Through R21 = 1K. Diodes: D1 = 1N457A, D2 Through D5 = 1N2070. Capacitors: C1 = 0.005 MFD 600 V, C2 = 1.5 MFD 200 V, and C3 = 0.47 MFD 100 V. Operational Amplifiers: Al Through A7 are CEC Part Number C-142110. 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and 9-10 = Outputs. 11 = D.C. Biasing Voltage at +15 V. 12 = D.C. Biasing Voltage at -15 V. 13 = Ground.



Calculation of Uptake Rate and Error Propagation

The flux of nitrogen which is taken into phytoplankton, $N_{\hat{f}}$, from its surroundings is given by

$$N_{f} = v_{s} \cdot N_{p}, \qquad [46]$$

where \mathbf{v}_{s} is the uptake rate of the substrate, and \mathbf{N}_{p} is a measure of the planktonic biomass per unit volume (in this case chosen to be particulate nitrogen).

$$v_s = \frac{N_f}{N_p} = \frac{A_f}{A_i} 100,$$
 [47]

where A_i is the atom percent excess ^{15}N in the enriched substrate supplied at the beginning of the experiment, and A_f is the atom percent excess ^{15}N in the particulate nitrogen.

A_f , the Atom Percent ^{15}N in the Sample

Equation 48 was used to calculate the atom percent $^{15}\mathrm{N}$ in the sample:

Atom
$$\%$$
 $^{15}N = \frac{100}{2R + 1}$. [48]

A measure of the error in this quantity, its variance, can be directly found from the variance of the signal intensities, I, corresponding to m/e 28 and 29:

$$\sigma_{M}^{2} = \frac{i(I_{M} - \bar{I}_{M})^{2}}{N - 1}, \qquad [49]$$

where M corresponds to m/e 28 or 29, N is the number of scans of each m/e (three for both m/e 28 and 29 in 1973 and five for m/e 28 and six for m/e 29 after 1973), and $\overline{1}$ is the average signal intensity.

$$\sigma_{R}^{2} = R^{2} (\sigma_{28}^{2}/I_{28}^{2} + \sigma_{29}^{2}/I_{29}^{2})$$
 [50]

Finally,

$$\sigma_{\text{Atom } \%}^2 \ 15_{\text{N}} = (-200/(2R+1)^2)^2 \sigma_{\text{R}}^2 \ .$$
 [51]

The atom percent excess $^{15}{\rm N},~{\rm A_f},$ is found by subtracting the blank values from the sample values:

$$A_{f} = A tom % 15Nsample - A tom % 15Nblank. [52]$$

Similarly, an estimate of the error in $\boldsymbol{A}_{\boldsymbol{f}}$ is given by

$$\sigma_{A_f}^2 = (dA_f/dAtom \%^{15}N_{sample})^2\sigma_{sample}^2 + (dA_f/dAtom \%^{15}N_{blank})^2\sigma_{blank}^2$$
. [53]

Thus, $\sigma_{A_f}^2$ was an estimate of the error attributed to the mass spectrometric analysis of each uptake rate at the corresponding substrate level.

A_i , the Atom Percent ^{15}N in the Solution

The preparation and addition of a solution of ^{15}N labeled NaNO $_3$ or NH $_4$ Cl and the determination of the ambient concentration of substrate were required to determine the percent excess ^{15}N in the incubation solutions at the onset of the experiments, A_i . The salts used to prepare the solutions were obtained from Isomet Corporation, Palisades Park, New Jersey with their atom percent ^{15}N given; no

error was assigned to these values or to the weighing procedure.

Increasingly rigorous procedures can be used to minimize the errors mentioned above such that their contribution to the experiment would be relatively insignificant. However, the determination of the ambient concentration of substrate does contain errors which were included in the analyses.

Spectrophotometric methods were chosen for these determinations and Beer's Law type calibration curves were constructed by dilution.

A least squares analysis of these dilutions gave a straight line function:

$$A = aC + b, [54]$$

where A is the measured absorbance, a and b are constants (The curve deviated from Beer's Law since it does not intersect the origin, due to the reagent blanks.) and C, the concentration, is the number of millimeters of stock solution. Based on photometric theory, Equation 55 gives an estimate of the standard error of the absorbance, σ_A , as a function of the photometric error, ΔT (approximately 0.4 for the Beckman DU), and measured absorbance, A.

$$\sigma_{A} = (0.43429) (\Delta T) (antilog A)$$
 [55]

It follows from Equation 54 that .

$$C = \frac{A - b}{a}$$
 [56]

and

$$\sigma_{\rm C}^2 = (dC/da)^2 \sigma_{\rm a}^2 + (dC/dA)^2 \sigma_{\rm A}^2 + (dC/db)^2 \sigma_{\rm b}^2$$
 [57]

Furthermore,

$$dC/da = -(a - b)/a^2$$
. [58]

$$dC/dA = 1/a, [59]$$

and,

$$dC/db = -1/a . ag{60}$$

By substituting Equations 58, 59 and 60 into Equation 56, one obtains Equation 61:

$$\sigma_{C}^{2} = \frac{a^{2}\sigma_{A}^{2} + a^{2}\sigma_{b}^{2} + (A^{2} - 2Ab + b^{2})\sigma_{a}^{2}}{a^{4}} .$$
 [61]

Thus σ_C^2 is an estimate of the error in the substrate concentration when C m1 of ^{15}N solution are added to the lake water; the variance of 4 i was readily calculated by Equation 62:

$$\sigma_{A_i}^2 = \frac{A_i}{\text{Total N}} \sigma_c^2 . \qquad [62]$$

The total error of the uptake rate, $\sigma_{\rm v}^2$, was therefore viewed as the multiplicative sum of the relative errors:

$$\sigma_{V_s}^2 = V^2((\sigma_{A_f}^2/A_f^2) + (\sigma_{A_i}^2/A_i^2)).$$
 [63]

In this manner the contributions to the error from the two major phases of each experiment were directly compared. In 1973, approximately 90% of the relative error was attributed to the mass

spectrometric analysis. This emphasized the need to improve the mass spectrometric analyses.

Appendix B is a listing of the computer program which was used to calculate the Michaelis-Menten constants as well as the accompanying error propogation.

Experiments During 1974

The preliminary investigation of the effect of chlorine on nitrate uptake rate was successful and the work in 1974 was therefore focused on the effect of chlorine and chloramine on nitrate and ammonia uptake. A total of 17 experiments were performed in 1974. Three $^{15}\mathrm{NH}_4^+$ and three $^{15}\mathrm{NO}_3^-$ uptake experiments were used for comparison to chlorine perturbed experiments which included the following designs: variable $^{15}\mathrm{NO}_3^-$ with constant free chlorine, variable $^{15}\mathrm{NO}_3^-$ with constant chloramine, variable $^{15}\mathrm{NH}_4^+$ with constant total chlorine, and constant $^{15}\mathrm{NH}_4^+$ with variable total chlorine.

Realizing that additions of free chlorine to different solutions would be followed by the dynamic equilibria previously discussed, one other type of experimental design was implemented. Experiments of this design were termed "chlorine block experiments". A constant amount of $^{15}\mathrm{No}_3^-$ was added to variable amounts of ammonia and free chlorine. Concentrations were kept below breakpoint stoichiometry. In this manner, a surface of $^{V}\mathrm{No}_3^-$ vs free chlorine and bound chlorine was generated from which the trends of the two independent variables could be analyzed.

Experiments During 1975

Results of the chlorine block experiment of 1974 were to a small extent unpredicted. This was hypothesized to be due to the effect of the breakpoint phenomenon. Although the experiment was designed to be below literature values of breakpoint stoichiometry, the observed trends were believed to be a result of the breakpoint reactions. A hypothetical surface bracketing the breakpoint was therefore predicted and tested during 1975.

During the previous years it was noted that diatoms constituted a major portion of the population densities of Lake Carl Blackwell. The literature (Lewin, 1966; Azam, Hemmingsen, and Volcani, 1974; Azam and Volcani, 1974) indicates that at high Ge/Si ratios, germanium competitively inhibits silicon uptake and diatom growth. It was hoped that germanium might also decrease the uptake of nitrate and/or ammonia by diatoms and in so doing minimize their contribution to the overall observed nitrate and ammonia uptake rates. Two experiments were therefore designed and performed in an effort to test the above hypothesis.

A 4 x 4 matrix design was also used in an attempt to investigate the effect of orthophosphate and pH on $V_{\rm NO_3}^-$ during this year.

CHAPTER III

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Experiments During 1973

The overall objective, for 1973, was to determine the concentration of nitrogen nutrients, light, temperature, and $K_{\rm s}$ and $V_{\rm max}$ for nitrate uptake by the phytoplankton. Table V shows temperature and irradiance data; Table VI shows the concentrations of the three nitrogen nutrients as well as the "standing crop" of the phytoplankton in terms of chlorophyll \underline{a} and particulate nitrogen. Greater consistency and a more complete data set of values of $K_{\rm s}$ and $V_{\rm max}$ was obtained for experiments incubated at 0.8 m in contrast to those incubated at the surface. These values and their standard deviations calculated by a linear regression analysis of the Woolf Plot are shown in Table VII.

Enumeration of each calculation for the values shown in Table VII would be redundant. Therefore, a representative experiment, June 6, was chosen and a summary of the computer calculations are shown in the following figure and tables. Figure 11 is the Michaelis-Menten plot of nine points of $V_{\rm NO_3}^-$ vs total substrate concentration. Other than some typical scatter which often occurs at low substrate concentrations, the plot shows the normal hyperbolic enzyme kinetic response. Table VIII shows the results of calculations of the atom

TABLE V

TEMPERATURE AND IRRADIANCE DATA IN LAKE CARL BLACKWELL DURING 1973

		Surface			0.8 Meters	
_	Average	Temperatu		Average	Tempera	ture °C
Date	ly/min	Start	End	ly/min	Start	End
6/6	0.6815	22.4		0.1322	22.4	
6/15	0.4953	26.5	26.8	0.0462	26.5	26.8
6/20	0.5852	25.4	26.0	0.586	25.1	26.0
6/27	0.7370	-	27.0	0.1513		27.0
7/5	0.6829	28.0	29.2	0.0950	27.8	28.8
7/12	0.5323	28.6	29.2	0.0600	29.0	28.9
7/19	0.6757	28.0	28.6	0.1692	27.9	28.3
7/26	0.7262	29.2	31.2	0.1747	29.0	30.2
8/1	0.6103	28.0	29.0	0.0677	28.0	28.2
8/23	0.4202	27.5	29.2	0.0286	27.5	28.9
8/30	0.3774	27.5	27.5	0.0229	27.5	27.0
9/6	0.1879	24.8	25.0	0.0031	24.8	25.0
9/28	0.3375	23.0	23.0			

TABLE VI

THE CONCENTRATIONS OF NITRATE, NITRITE, AMMONIA, CHLOROPHYLL <u>a</u>, AND PARTICULATE NITROGEN FOUND IN LAKE CARL BLACKWELL DURING 1973

			μ g /1		Particulate Nitrogen µmoles/1	
Date	NO_3-N	NO_2^-N	ин ₃ -и	Chlorophyll <u>a</u>	Surface	0.8 M
4/26	4.17			14.10	<u></u>	
6/6	29.07	0.00	7.03	5.01	5.95	
6/15	7.83	0.26	5.27	14.71	7.92	
6/20	14.45	0.34	0.66	13.83	8.57	
6/27	8.59	0.11	3.71	17.87	8.69	8.69
7/5	4.18	0.46	2.88	14.69	7.50	7.50
7/12	3.58	0.28	2.71	20.55	9.90	9.90
7/19	1.29	0.01	1.01	11.69	10.21	10.21
7/26	0.95	0.11	2.33	8.69	10.15	10.15
8/1	2.68	0.17	2.37	15.77	10.22	10.22
8/23	0.99	0.06		6.02	7.44	
8/30	3.89	0.00	7.04	7.23	7.94	7.94
9/6	4.83	0.83	3.33	9.70		8.15
9/28	2.12	0.00	3.33	9.44		

	V (± o)	κ _s (± σ _{K_s})
Date	$(x 10^3 hour^{-1})$	(μg at N/1)
4/26*	3.0	642
6/6*	5.68 (± 1.06)	89.9 (± 31.0)
6/27	7.28 (± 0.23)	3.27 (± 0.92)
6/27 with 0.101 mg C1 ₂ /1	5.47 (± 0.94)	32.6 (± 14.6)
7/5	3.88 (± 0.72)	12.0 (± 9.1)
7/5 with 0.013 mg Cl ₂ /1	6.24 (± 1.25)	24.7 (± 14.2)
7/12	10.2 (± 1.2)	41.6 (± 13.5)
7/19	7.49 (± 1.93)	24.3 (± 13.1)
7/26	10.5 (± 3.8)	30.2 (± 17.5)
8/1	10.6 (± 1.7)	10.2 (± 5.1)
8.23	2.83 (± 0.84)	2.77 (± 2.64)
8/30	4.85 (± 1.16)	27.1 (± 15.2)
9/6	0.577 (± 0.139)	14.5 (± 8.1)

^{*}Samples were incubated at the surface only on these dates.

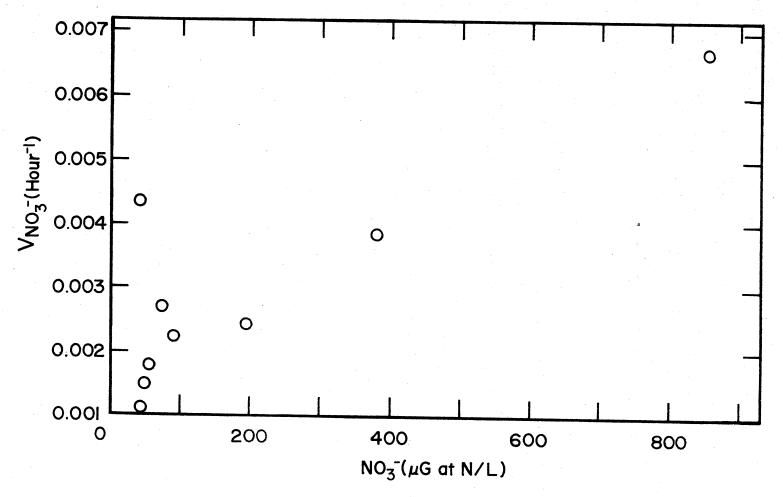


Figure 11. The Michaelis-Menten Plot of $v_{NO_3}^-$ vs. Nitrate Concentration for the Experiment on June 6, 1973

TABLE VIII

THE ATOM PERCENT 15 N AND THEIR VARIANCE BASED ON PEAK HEIGHT MEASUREMENT FOR CONTROLS AND ENRICHED SAMPLES FOR THE EXPERIMENT ON JUNE 6, 1973

SAMPLE	R	AT. % 15 _N	σ _{AT. %} 15 _N
Control 0944	133.7839	0.3723	0.0073
Control 0946	129.3284	0.3851	0.0105
Control 0948	120.4134	0.4135	0.0063
Control 0949	122.2464	0.4073	0.0110
Averages	126.4429	0.3946	0.0147
Experiment 0156	102.9866	0.4832	0.0394
Experiment 0157	106.6247	0.4667	0.0088
Experiment 0158	99.2676	0.5012	0.0185
Experiment 0159	70.5785	0.7034	0.0064
Experiment 0163	29.3831	1.6732	0.0377
Experiment 0164	27.3554	1.7950	0.0109
Experiment 0165	13.7335	3.5129	0.1289
Experiment 0167	7.9436	5.9216	0.0387

percent ^{15}N and its variance based on the measurement of the peak heights of the mass spectrometric oscillographic traces for both controls and enriched samples. Table IX shows the results of computer calculations of $^{2}\text{A}_{f}$, $^{2}\text{A}_{i}$, and $^{2}\text{A}_{i}$. Finally, Table X shows the results of calculations of relative $^{2}\text{A}_{f}$, relative $^{2}\text{A}_{i}$, $^{2}\text{NO}_{3}^{-}$, $^{2}\text{V}_{NO}_{3}^{-}$, $^{2}\text{V}_{max}$, $^{3}\text{V}_{max}$

1973 was not a typical year for algal behavior in Lake Carl Blackwell. Figure 12 shows the changes in the lake level during 1973. This "flood year" prevented the normal algal bloom and therefore its accompanying decrease in nitrate concentration. The nutrient conditions from mid-March throughout the summer and into the fall during this year were more typical of a new lake.

Consequentially the normal competition and seasonal succession of algal species may not have occurred.

Three experiments were performed during 1973 in which replicate spikes of $^{15}\mathrm{No}_3^-$ were added to identical incubation bottles. Figure 13 shows the results of one such experiment performed on September 28. The scatter of points within replicates was 5.8% for the first three points, 4.3% for the second three points (two points are superimposed), and 9.2% for the last two points. In this particular experiment Michaelis-Menten behavior was not observed. Rather inhibition occurred such that values for $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{max}}$ and K_{S} could not be calculated. Similar behavior also occurred during the experiments of June 15 and June 20. Although the reason for this inhibition is unknown, the most plausible explanation of this behavior might include contamination of the spike

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Experiment Number	A _f	$\sigma_{A_{ extbf{f}}}^{2}$	A _i	σ <mark>2</mark> •
0156	0.00958	2.068×10^{-5}	2.23	0.0133
0157	0.00780	0.345×10^{-5}	5.38	0.0728
0158	0.0115	0.654×10^{-5}	10.21	0.2357
0159	0.0334	0.302×10^{-5}	18.51	0.6371
0163	0.138	1.912×10^{-5}	52.99	1.7098
0164	0.151	0.393×10^{-5}	69.06	1.2335
0166	0.199	2.459×10^{-5}	84.43	0.4408
0165	0.337	19.601×10^{-5}	91.19	0.1500
0167	0.598	2.006×10^{-5}	95.80	0.0292

TABLE X COMPUTER CALCULATIONS OF THE RELATIVE A_f , RELATIVE A_i , V_{NO_3} , $\sigma_{V_{NO_3}}$, $\sigma_{V_{max}}$, $\sigma_{V_{max}}$, $\sigma_{V_{max}}$, σ_{K_S} , AND σ_{K_S} FOR THE EXPERIMENT ON JUNE 6, 1973

Experiment Number	Relative A _f x 10 ²	Relative A _i x 10 ²	V _{NO} - × 10 ³	$\sigma_{\text{NO}_{3}} \times 10^{3}$
0156	47.5	5.18	4.30	2.055
0157	23.8	5.01	1.45	0.352
0158	22.2	4.76	1.13	0.256
0159	5.21	2.31	1.80	0.122
0163	3.16	2.47	2.61	0.105
0164	1.31	1.61	2.19	0.045
0166	2.49	0.786	2.36	0.062
0165	4.15	0.425	3.70	0.154
0167	0.750	0.179	6.24	0.048
V _m	= 5.69 x 10	-3	$\sigma_{V_{\text{max}}} = 1.07 \text{ x}$	10 ⁻³
	$K_{s} = 89.9$		σ _{Ks} = 31.0	

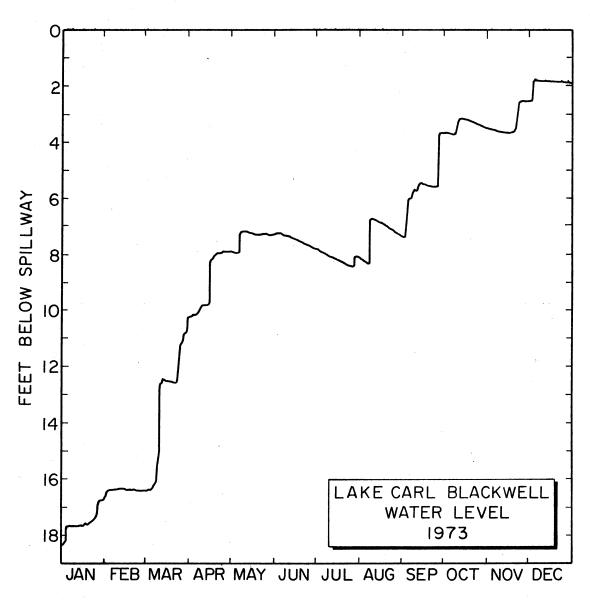


Figure 12. A Measure of the Water Level of Lake Carl Blackwell During 1973 (Varga and Toetz, 1974)

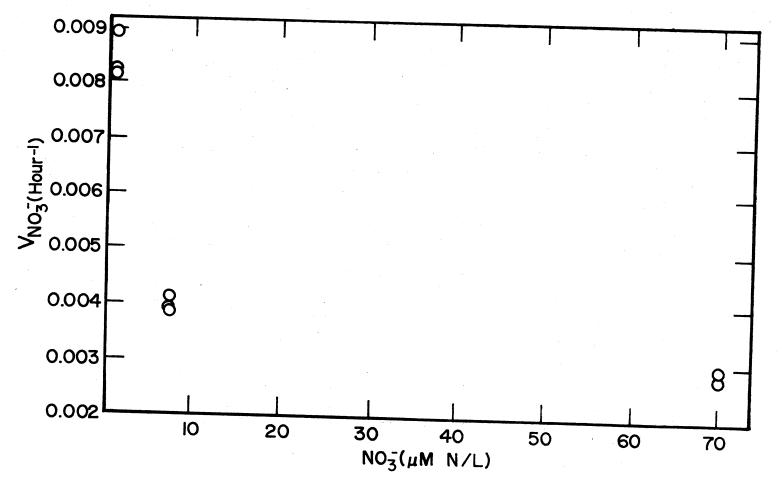


Figure 13. A Plot of $V_{NO_3}^-$ vs. Nitrate Concentration for Replicate Samples for the Experiment on September 29, 1973

with ammonia or other substances. Despite the inhibition, the variation between replicates was felt to be acceptable.

The effect of additions of a constant amount of chlorine to each incubation bottle had a dynamic result on K_s as can be seen in Table VII. Additions of 0.101 mg $\mathrm{Cl}_2/1$ increased K_s tenfold on June 27. On July 5, additions of 0.013 mg $\mathrm{Cl}_2/1$ doubled the value of K_s .

These results were rather surprising in view of the sparse literature values of the effect of chlorine on phytoplankton. For example, Brook and Baker (1972) have reported that a concentration of 0.320 mg Cl₂/1 depressed respiration and photosynthesis of a mixed population of freshwater algae by 50% during chlorination in a power plant. The combined effects of thermal and mechanical shock plus exposure to the toxicant should be greater than that of the toxicant alone.

Further effect of chlorine was demonstrated on July 12, by incubation at a constant $^{15}\text{NO}_3^-$ level 10% of ambient substrate concentration. Chlorine was added in concentrations varying from 0.01 to 3.00 mg Cl₂/1 resulting in an LC-50 value of 0.028 mg Cl₂/1 (Varga and Toetz, 1974).

A One Compartment Model

The simplest model possible for nitrogen uptake is specified by Equation 64:

$$\frac{dN_{c}}{dt} = (V_{NO_{3}})N_{c} = \frac{V_{max}S}{K_{s} + S},$$
 [64]

where ${\rm dN_c}/{\rm dt}$ is the rate of change (increase) or flux of phytoplankton or cellular nitrogen, N_c. Thus the nitrogen flux is a constant fraction of the instantaneous cell nitrogen level (Dugdale and Goering, 1967). From experimental values of V_{max}, K_s, and S as function of time, the value of N_c, the concentration of living nitrogen, can be calculated for any moment in time. This was accomplished by simple integration of Equation 64 using IBM's software "Continuous Systems Modeling Program (CSMP)" (IBM, 1968). This model assumed negligible grazing and sinking of algae during the time period in question. These assumptions were probably not valid, even during a flood year such as 1973.

The experimental value of V_{\max} for nitrate incorporated the effects of the ambient values of the forcing parameters, light flux and temperature, and the perturbation parameter, ammonia concentration. The specific effects of these parameters must be known before a corrected maximum uptake rate, V_c , can be obtained.

The one-compartment model, which incorporates the effects of light flux, temperature, and ammonia concentration, may be written

$$dN_{c}/dt = \frac{V_{c}S}{K_{s} + S} \frac{R_{j}Q_{3}}{F}N_{c}$$
 [65]

so that

$$V_{c} = \frac{V_{\text{max}} F}{R_{j} Q_{3}} . \qquad [66]$$

R_j is a function of the experimental light flux which gives the decrease in nitrogen uptake due to non-optimum light conditions (Di Toro, Connor, and Thomson, 1971).

$$Q_3 = 2\exp(\frac{T - 20}{10})$$
, [67]

which gives a temperature factor of 2 at 20°C.

$$F = 2.21 - 62.03 \text{ (NH}_3) + 724.2 \text{ (NH}_3)^2 - 2896 \text{ (NH}_3)^3$$
, [68]

which is a relation determined empirically (Prochazkova, Blazk, and Kralova, 1970) to represent the effect on nitrate uptake of ammonia expressed in mg N/1.

The data through August in Table VII was modeled in this manner and the results were computer plotted for assistance in visual correlation, Figures 14-23.

Figures 14 and 15 show the ambient nitrate and ammonia concentrations (μ g-at N/1), respectively. Figure 16 shows a plot of Equation 68, the ammonia correction factor, and Figure 17 shows a plot of Equation 67, the temperature effect on nitrate uptake as a function of time. Figure 18 shows the experimental light flux (langleys/min) at the depth of incubation, while simultaneously giving Di Toro's, et al. (1971) light attenuation factor, R_j , by a simple change in ordinate scale. Figure 18 also gives an empirical estimate of V_{max} for nitrate uptake based on least-squares linear regression analyses of correlations between V_{max} and light flux observed by Varga and Toetz (1974) over several years. The relation is

$$V_{\text{max}} (hr^{-1}) = 0.2054 (langleys/min) + 0.04958 (langleys/min)^2$$
. [69]

Figure 19 shows the experimentally observed values of $V_{\hbox{max}}$ in units of the fractional uptake per day. The transformation of units

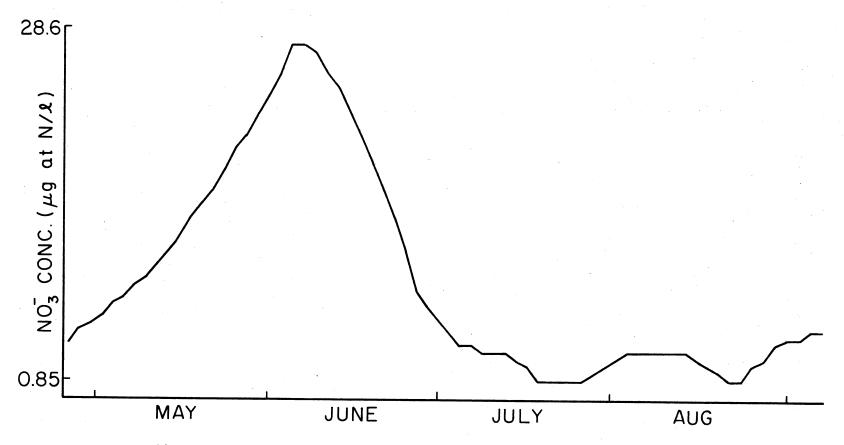


Figure 14. The Ambient Nitrate Ion Concentration in Lake Carl Blackwell in 1973

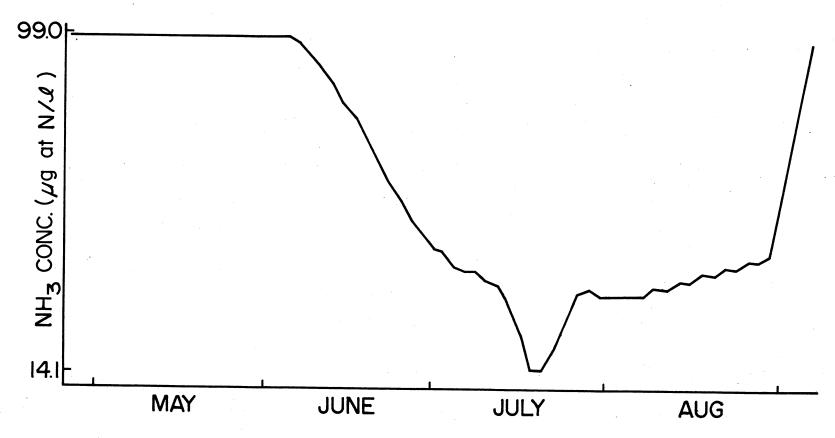


Figure 15. The Ambient Ammonia Concentration in Lake Carl Blackwell in 1973

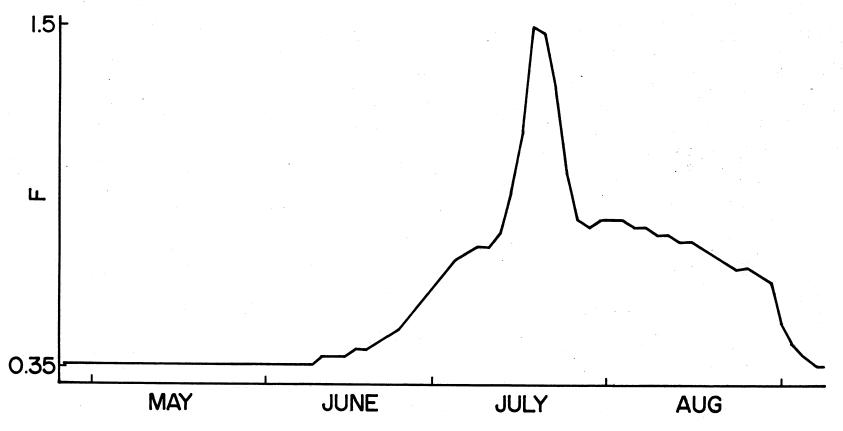


Figure 16. A Plot of Equation 68, the Ammonia Correction Factor for Nitrate Uptake by Algae

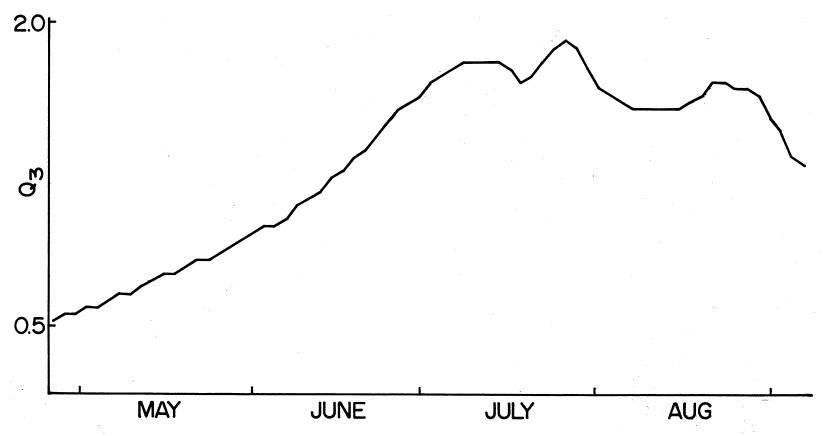


Figure 17. A Plot of the Temperature Factor of 2.0 for Nitrate Uptake by Algae at 20°C

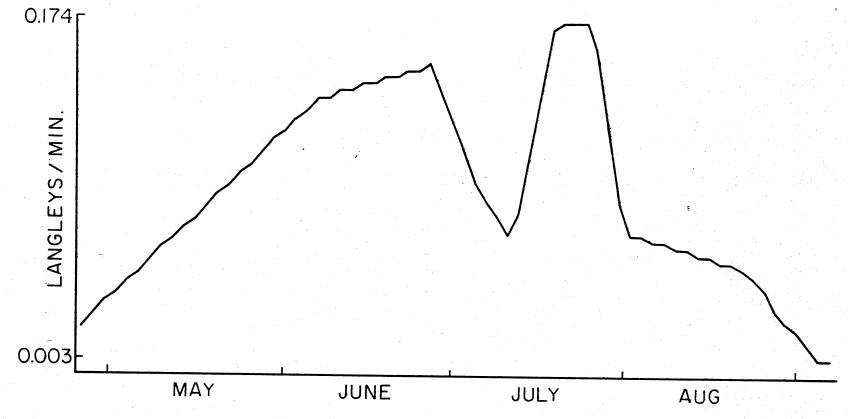


Figure 18. This Curve Shows the Behavior of Three Functions: the Experimental Value of the Irradiance, I, in Langleys/Min Averaged Over the Incubation Periods During Nitrate Uptake Studies, and Two Other Functions, Rj and V_{max} Which are Functions of I. The Range of Rj, the Correction Factor for Non-Optimum Light Flux at the Depth of Incubation, is from 0.0184 to 0.7210. The Range for V_{max} in Hr⁻¹ is From 6.6 (10⁻⁴) to 3.72 (10⁻²)

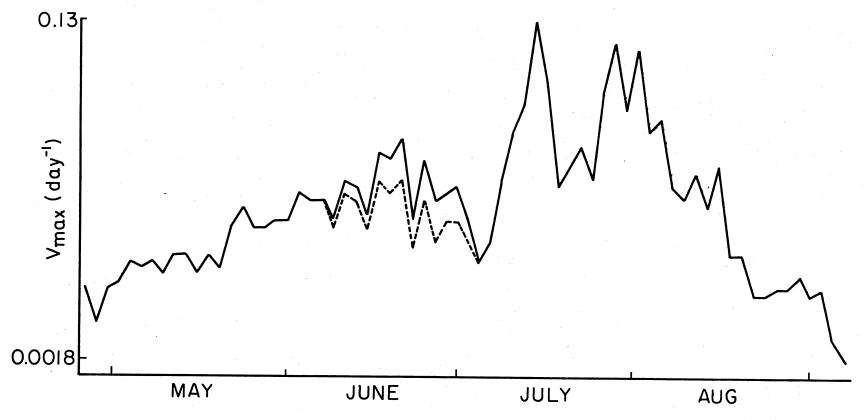


Figure 19. V_{max} , the Maximum Specific Nitrate Uptake Rate for Algae as Experimentally Determined From the $^{15}\text{NO}_3^-$ Uptake Studies and Then Transformed to the Units (Day $^{-1}$). The Lower Dotted Curve Shows the Effect of Chlorine

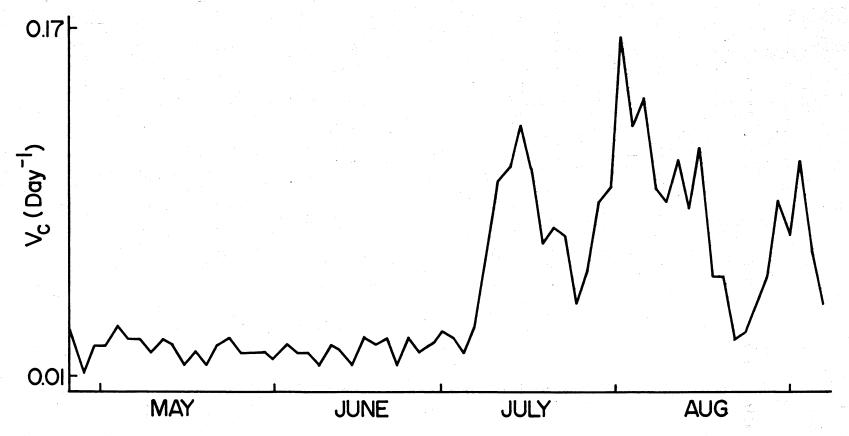


Figure 20. V_{max} for Nitrate Uptake by Algae Corrected for the Effects of Non-Optimum Light, Temperature and the Effect of Ammonia on Nitrate Uptake

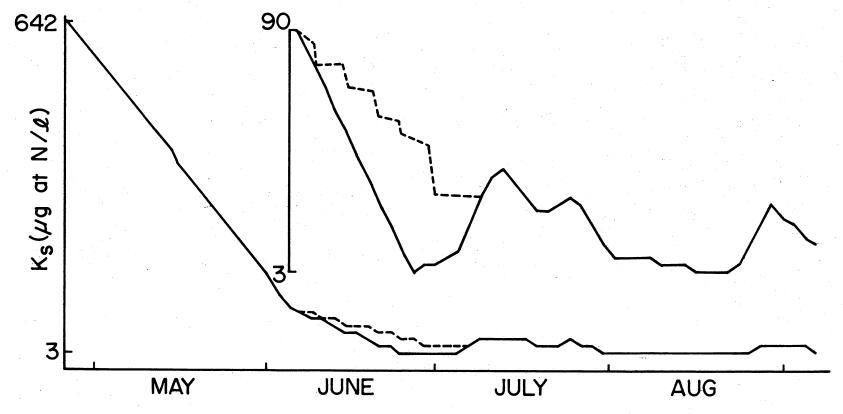


Figure 21. K_S, the Michaelis-Menten Half-Saturation Constant for the Uptake of Nitrate by Algae as Experimentally Determined From the ¹⁵NO₃ Uptake Studies. The Dotted Portion of the Curves Show the Effect of Chlorine

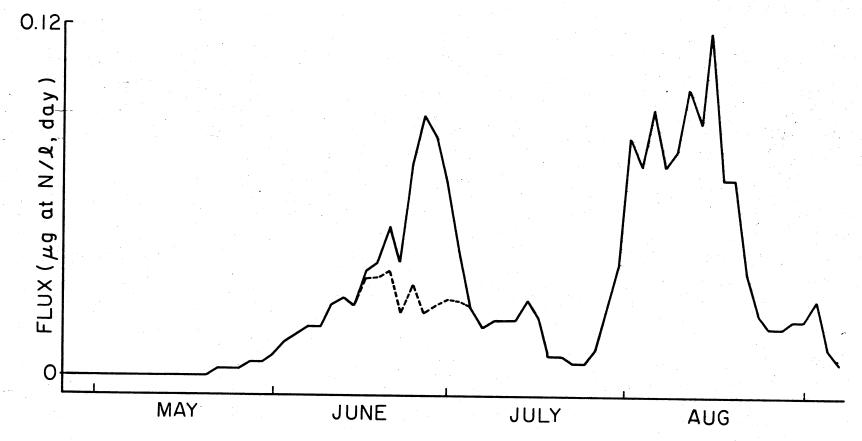


Figure 22. The Flux of Nitrate into the Phytoplankton Compartment Calculated by Equation 65. The Lower Dotted Curve Shows the Effect of Chlorine

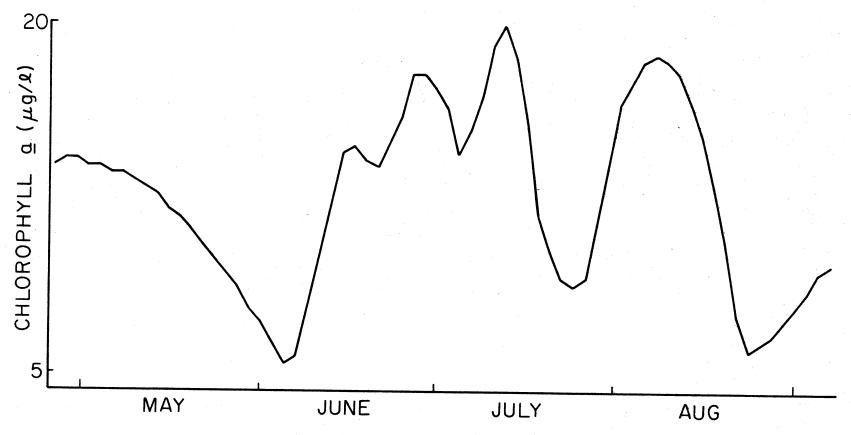


Figure 23. The Concentration of Chlorophyll \underline{a} in Lake Carl Blackwell in 1973

from hr^{-1} , as given in Table VII, to day^{-1} involved multiplication by the photo period or effective number of hours per day that would sustain the observed V_{max} per hour. At this point a statistical factor of \pm 15% was imposed since variable cloud cover and turbidity conditions at the sampling station during the time interval between the weekly experiments was not measured. The relation used was

photo period (hrs/day) =
$$(3 + 4 \times (1 + SIN(0.0172 \times Date))) \pm 15\%$$
 [70]

where Date is the number of days from March 21, the vernal equinox.

The values of V_{max} derived empirically from light flux data (Equation 69) and observed values of V_{max} showed a good correlation by inspection. The empirical data for V_{max} (Figure 18) showed a steady rise in the magnitude of the parameter through May and most of June followed by a decline in early July and a subsequent increase to a maximum in late July. The experimental data on V_{max} (Figure 19) showed the same initial trend, except that high values of V_{max} were sustained into early August.

However, when one factors out the effects of non-optimum light, temperature, and ammonia concentrations, as shown in Figure 20, the rise in V_{\max} in May and June is completely eliminated, leaving a fluctuating pattern for saturated nitrate uptake by algae in midsummer which appears to be species dependent.

The actual nitrate uptake rate for algae is dependent upon K_s as well as $V_{\rm max}$, and the inverse relationship expected between K_s and the NO_3^--N flux, according to Equation 65, is well corroborated upon inspection of K_s in Figure 21 and nitrate flux in Figure 22. The minima is K_s toward the end of June and all of August are matched by

high nitrate fluxes at those times. The principal forcing functions for the appreciable nitrate flux in early and mid-June, as shown in Figure 22, were the high nitrate levels (Figure 14) and the high light flux (Figure 18) which were in effect at this time. These values were able to overcome, to some degree, the relatively high value of $K_{\rm S}$ in early June.

Two experiments were performed in late June and early July in which chlorine was added to the bottles at the beginning of the incubation period. One set of incubation bottles used on June 27 was spiked with 0.101 mg $\text{Cl}_2/1$, and a second set on July 5 received 0.013 mg $\text{Cl}_2/1$. The effect of these additions of free chlorine on V_{max} is shown in Figure 19.

The lower curve gives the perturbed values of $V_{\rm max}$ simulated by interpolation and showing the presence of ${\rm Cl}_2$ for a full month. The corresponding values of K_s , in the presence of these ${\rm Cl}_2$ concentrations, is shown by the curve in Figure 21, and the seomwhat remarkable effect of this chlorine on the nitrate flux is shown in Figure 22. These results indicate that these levels of ${\rm Cl}_2$ could prevent a summer algal pulse, without destroying the population.

Comparison of the nitrate uptake kinetics as summarized by the nitrate flux data of Figure 22 with algal biomass in terms of cell counts or chlorophyll concentration or particulate nitrogen concentration is a necessary step in model validation.

The chlorophyll \underline{a} data is presented in Figure 23 in units of $\mu g/1$. In spite of the difference in units a direct comparison with the data for nitrate flux into the phytoplankton compartment, Figure 22, shows a reasonable correlation except for the data taken

on one date, July 12, 1973. The value for chlorophyll \underline{a} on that date was over 20 µg/l. If the real value were approximately half this value, the whole peak in mid-July would disappear and excellent correlation with the late June maxima in nitrate flux of Figure 22 would result. The agreement between the chlorophyll \underline{a} maxima and the nitrate flux maxima in August was excellent.

Experiments During 1974

The temperature and irradiance data for 1974, are shown in Table XI. Table XII shows the concentrations of three forms of nitrogen and the "standing crop" of the lake in terms of chlorophyll a and particulate nitrogen. Both of these tables are basically of the same design as those of 1973 with a few exceptions. Incubation was not at the same depth. The ambient concentration of phosphate is included since the effect of phosphate concentration was concurrently investigated on each experimental date.

The major focus of 1974 was on the effect of chlorine on nitrate and ammonia uptake. It was hoped that K_s and V_{max} might provide a convenient quantification of these effects. Table XIII is a summary of the uptake experiments during this year.

For the three control experiments, V_{max} and K_{s} for nitrate uptake was of the same order of magnitude as previously determined values. Chlorine, at a concentration of 0.1 mg Cl $_{2}$ /1, decreased V_{max} significantly on July 2 and August 6. However, the regression coefficient for the experiment on September 10 of chlorine perturbation is 0.21; thus, V_{max} and K_{s} for the experiment on this date cannot be safely considered significant. All values of K_{s} for the experiments performed on July 2 were negative. Negative K_{s} values

TABLE XI

TEMPERATURE AND IRRADIANCE DATA IN LAKE CARL BLACKWELL DURING 1974

Date	Depth in Meters	Duration Total	(Hrs) In Light	Percent Incident Irradiance	Average ly/min	Tempera Start	cure °C End
7/2	0.05	23.75	14.63	25.45	0.21	27.0	28.0
7/16	0.37	24.00	14.00	46.84	0.28	27.5	27.5
7/23	0.37	23.50	13.50	45.06	0.29	28.0	27.5
8/6	0.37	24.00	13.25	43.24	0.27	23.2	23.2
9/10	0.25	25.50	12.50	22.07	0.16	20.0	20.0

TABLE XII

CONCENTRATIONS OF NITRATE, NITRITE, AMMONIA, PHOSPHATE,
CHLOROPHYLL a, PARTICULATE NITROGEN, AND pH FOUND
IN LAKE CARL BLACKWELL DURING 1974

		$\mu \mathtt{moles/1}$						
Date	NO ₃ -N	NO ₂ -N	NH ₃ -N	P0 ₄ -3-P		Chlorophyll <u>a</u>	Particulate Nitrogen	рН
7/2	5.47	0.34	3.86	0.13		5.47	62.90	8.30
7/16	. 1.68	0.16	0.61	0.25		5.28	56.66	8.54
7/23	0.79	0.03	1.14	0.11		8.88	65.54	8.60
8/6	1.40	0.04	3.05	0.19		4.72	73.23	8.22
9/10	6.53	0.04	0.70	0.24		4.44		8.25

-			V t over the vertical	K _s ± σK _s	
Date	Nutrient	Perturbation	$\times 10^3 \text{ hour}^{-1}$	μ M N/1	RC
7/2	15 _{NO} -	Control	2.75 ± 0.49	-1.47 ± 2.55	0.94
7/2	¹⁵ _{NO} ₃	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	0.31 ± 0.05	-22.6 ± 9.22	0.96
7/2	¹⁵ NO ₃	0.1 mg NH ₂ C1/1	0.10 ± 0.02	-11.2 ± 12.1	0.50
7/2	15 _{NH} 3	Control	7.27 ± 0.64	2.78 ± 0.85	0.98
7/2	15 _{NH} 3	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	0.12 ± 0.01	-2.80 ± 0.85	0.78
8/6	¹⁵ NO ₃	Control	0.95 ± 0.1	0.99 ± 0.33	0.99
8/6	¹⁵ NO ₃	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	0.26 ± 0.005	2.96 ± 0.29	0.99
8/6	¹⁵ NO ₃	0.1 mg NH ₂ C1/1	0.01 ± 0.0004	-1.65 ± 0.31	-0.17
8/6	15 _{NH} 3	Control	Inhibition		
8/6	15 _{NH} 3	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	Inhibition		
9/10	¹⁵ NO ₃	Control	5.00 ± 0.12	4.34 ± 1.55	0.99
9/10	15 _{NO} -	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	5.31 ± 1.08	11.5 ± 17.4	0.21
9/10	¹⁵ NO ₃	0.1 mg NH ₂ C1/1	*	-169. ± 298.	0.05
9/10	15 _{NH} 3	Control	11.6 ± 0.2	9.38 ± 0.29	0.94
9/10	15 _{NH} ₃	0.1 mg C1 ₂ /1	16.4 ± 1.3	20.5 ± 1.8	0.52

^{*}Not calculated.

have no biological meaning; however, the $K_{_{\rm S}}$ value for the control experiment of July 2 was within an order of magnitude agreement with observations of previous years. Only the experiments of August 6 adequately show the debilitating effect of chlorine by decreasing $V_{_{\rm max}}$ and increasing $K_{_{\rm S}}$.

The three experiments showing the effect of chloramine had regression coefficients of 0.50, -0.17, and 0.05. The atom percent excess ¹⁵N was below 0.14 for 15 out of a total of 18 samples for the three experiments. Thus a comparison of V_{max} and K_s between the control and chloramine perturbed experiments is not meaningful. However, a comparison of nitrogen flux for the three types of experiments, Table XIV, does indicate that chloramine was more toxic than chlorine during two of the experimental dates, August 6 and September 10.

Very little can be concluded from the similar ammonia uptake experiments during 1974. The ammonia control experiments on July 2 and September 10 gave reasonable values of $V_{\rm max}$ and $K_{\rm s}$ and derived regression coefficients of 0.98 and 0.94, respectively. The perturbation of ammonia uptake with chlorine on July 2 results in low $^{15}{\rm N}$ flux or a small atom percent excess $^{15}{\rm N}$ in the samples. Thus, $V_{\rm max}$ and $K_{\rm s}$ for this experiment could not be considered useful. The perturbation of ammonia uptake with chlorine on September 10 resulted in an increase in $K_{\rm s}$ as compared to the control of this date. This would be expected at an appropriate level of inhibition. However, the regression coefficient was 0.52. It is therefore difficult to consider this $V_{\rm max}$ and $K_{\rm s}$ significant. On August 6 uptake decreased with increasing ammonia concentration rather than

TABLE XIV

A COMPARISON OF NITROGEN FLUX FOR THE CONTROLLED AND PERTURBED 15NO3 UPTAKE EXPERIMENTS DURING 1974

		μΜ NO ₃ -N Take	n Up/µM Particula	te Nitrogen-Hour
Date	% 15 _N Added	Control	0.1 mg Cl ₂ /1	0.1 mg NH ₂ C1/1
8/6	36	0.79	0.19	0.03
8/6	53	0.66	0.14	0.03
8/6	80	0.82	0.19	0.01
9/10	11	2.04	2.13	0.26
9/10	70	4.43	0.44	0.18
9/10	84	4.51	0.13	0.16

producing a hyperbolic response for both the control and perturbed experiments. Despite the failure to obtain meaningful values of V_{\max} and K for ammonia uptake inhibited with chlorine, it is apparent that a debilitating response was present.

The decrease in ammonia uptake was best demonstrated by the experiment of July 23. Bottles containing lake water were spiked with a constant amount of $^{15}\mathrm{NH}_3$ at 5.46 percent of ambient NH_3 -N and varying amounts of chlorine from 0.0 to 0.5 mg $\mathrm{C1}_2$ resulting in a LC-50 value of 0.101 mg $\mathrm{C1}_2/1$ (Varga and Toetz, 1975). During the previous year it was determined that 0.028 mg $\mathrm{C1}_2/1$ depressed nitrate uptake to 50% of the control rate (Varga and Toetz, 1974). Although these experiments are not directly comparable since they were performed during different years, it appears that additions of chlorine at low levels has a greater effect on nitrate uptake than on ammonia uptake.

Nitrate and ammonia uptake can be attenuated if phosphate as a nutrient is limiting growth. As a test for this, another type of experiment was performed on each experimental date. One bottle of the ¹⁵N labeled control series for nitrate and for ammonia uptake were duplicated. To one of these duplicates, 100 µg PO₄⁻³-P/1 were added. If conditions of phosphate limited growth were present the uptake of ¹⁵N in each duplicate bottle would have been much greater than the corresponding bottle in the control series. Table XV is a summary of these experiments. The nitrate control was lost for the experiment of July 2. However, the nitrate flux for this concentration was calculated for the corresponding uptake rate given by the regression analysis. Although this value implied the highest percent increase in

TABLE XV THE EFFECT OF ADDING 100 μg PO $_4^{-3}$ -P/L ON NO $_3^-$ AND NH $_3$ UPTAKE DURING 1974

	Ambient	(n)	Flux (nM N/nM Particulate Nitrogen-Hour)					
Date	PO ₄ -3-P (μg/1)	N(Control	03-N Plus P04	Control	NH ₃ -N Plus PO ₄ -3			
7/2	4.32	3.2*	4.8	4.8	0.9			
7/16	8.03	ND	ND	ND	ND			
7/23	3.62	ND	ND	10.9	10.6			
8.6	5.85	0.8	0.9	33.9	31.7			
9/10	7.64	20.3	19.6	7.4	6.2			

^{*} The control sample was lost. The reported value was calculated using the results of the regression analysis of the Woolf transformation.

ND = No Data

nitrogen flux, the value 3.2, is fairly close to the flux when phosphate was added, 4.8. The conclusion drawn from Table XV is that phosphate was not limiting to growth. This was probably due to the relatively high concentration of phosphate already in the water. The reason for the apparent decrease in the flux of nitrogen when phosphate was added, which was often observed, is not clear.

On July 16 a constant amount of $^{15}\text{NO}_3^-$ and varying amounts of chlorine and chloramine were added to lake water. In this manner, samples were treated giving a total of 16 conditions. This experiment was run in duplicate such that 32 bottles were incubated.

Using the pertinent equilibrium constants, known concentrations of total chlorine, total ammonia and the pH, the equilibrium concentrations for all chemical species can be calculated. Subsequent to the experiment, these calculations were made using an iterative computer program written by Bard and King (1965) and modified by Whitfield (1975). The concentrations of those species corresponding to bound chlorine and free chlorine were then summed. Subsequent laboratory and computer analysis gave the mean nitrate uptake calculation. Table XVI is a summary of the experimental conditions and calculated results.

Using the Stistical Analysis Systems computer program developed by Goodnight (1972), a regression analysis of the nitrate uptake rates, v, as a function of the concentrations at equilibrium of free chlorine, x, and bound chlorine, y, yielded Equation 71 as the best fit:

$$v = 2.45 (10^{-4}) - 3.61 (10^{-3}) y + 1.13 (10^{-2}) y^2 + 8.56 x y$$
, [71]

where x is the concentration of free chlorine and y is the concentration of bound chlorine in ppm. The multiple correlation coefficient of

TABLE XVI

A SUMMARY OF THE INITIAL AND EQUILIBRIUM CONDITIONS AND THE RESPONSE FOR THE CHLORINE-CHLORAMINE EXPERIMENT ON JULY 16, 1974

Element Number	Cl ₂ Added, Chloramine (ppm) Added, (ppm)		Equilibrium Free Cl ₂ , (ppm)	Equilibrium Bond Cl ₂ , (ppm)	$V_{NO_3} - \times 10$	$V_{NO_3}^- \times 10^3$, (hr ⁻¹)		
			(C1 ₂ , носі, осі-)	(NH ₂ C1,NHC1 ₂)	Bottle 1	Bottle 2		
1,1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.976	1.503		
1,2	0.00	0.025	8.46×10^{-4}	1.17×10^{-2}	2.276	2.197		
1,3	0.00	0.050	5.46×10^{-3}	1.95×10^{-2}	2.740	0.577		
1,4	0.00	0.125	3.88×10^{-2}	2.37×10^{-2}	1.640	1.689		
2,1	0.025	0.00	7.89×10^{-4}	2.42×10^{-2}	1.140	1.146		
2,2	0.025	0.025	2.20×10^{-3}	3.53×10^{-2}	1.274	0.894		
2,3	0.025	0.050	6.82×10^{-3}	4.32×10^{-2}	1.344	1.682		
2,4	0.025	0.125	3.69×10^{-2}	5.06×10^{-2}	2.141	2.178		
3,1	0.05	0.00	1.53×10^{-3}	4.85×10^{-2}	0.551	0.557		
3,2	0.050	0.025	3.29×10^{-3}	5.93×10^{-2}	0.430	0.435		
3,3	0.050	0.050	7.82×10^{-3}	6.72×10^{-2}	0.449			
3,4	0.050	0.125	3.51×10^{-2}	7.74×10^{-2}	0.506	0.620		
4,1	0.125	0.00	3.32×10^{-3}	1.22×10^{-1}	0.227	0.317		
4,2	0.125	0.025	5.50×10^{-3}	1.32×10^{-1}	0.249	0.633		
4,3	0.125	0.050	9.44×10^{-3}	1.41×10^{-1}	0.172	0.168		
4,4	0.125	0.125	3.08×10^{-2}	1.57×10^{-1}	0.084	0.127		

this equation and the three variables was 0.79. A three-dimensional plot of this equation was made using a computer program written by 0ines and is shown in Figure 24. It can be seen that $V_{NO_3}^-$ decreases rapidly with increasing concentration of bound chlorine.

The response of ${\rm V}_{{\rm NO}_{\, {\rm J}}}^{\, -}$ to increasing concentrations of free chlorine was not demonstrated with a high degree of certainty by this experiment. This was due to several factors. The highest equilibrium concentration of bound chlorine used in this experiment, 0.157 mg C1/1, was approximately five times that of the free chlorine, 0.0308 mg C1/1. The distribution of the concentrations at equilibrium, also shown in Figure 24, slightly favors measurement of the response as a function of bound chlorine rather than free chlorine concentration. These factors coupled with the uncertainty in the equation of the surface as calculated by the SAS program does not allow a rigorous interpretation of the response of V_{NO_3} as a function of free chlorine. Nevertheless, it is apparent that at equal concentrations chloramine (bound chlorine) decreased V_{NO_2} to a greater extent than free chlorine within the range of data in this experiment. It should be noted that the experiment was designed to be below literature values of "breakpoint" stoichiometry. The ambient-ammonia nitrogen level for this experiment was 0.0086 ppm. The largest addition of chlorine was 0.10 The "breakpoint" minima was exceeded by only one set of samples with a ratio of 11.6:1.

The smaller response of $V_{NO_3^-}$ as a function of increasing free chlorine concentration may be due to the breakpoint reaction. If this is the case, as total chlorine concentration increases one might expect an initial decrease in $V_{NO_3^-}$ followed by an increase in $V_{NO_3^-}$ as

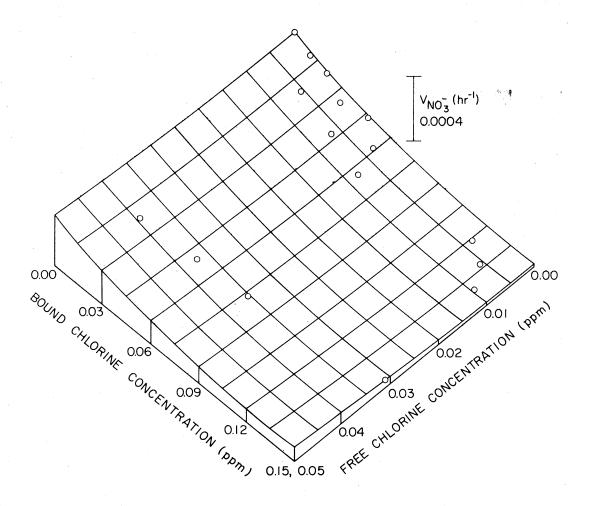


Figure 24. A Three-Dimensional Calcomp Plot of $v_{\rm NO_3}^{-}$ vs. Free and Bound Chlorine From 1974 Data

toxic species are removed by the oxidation-reduction reactions of the "breakpoint" phenomenon. Further additions of chlorine which are not reduced should be accompanied by a decrease in $V_{NO_3}^-$. Thus a plot of $V_{NO_3}^-$ vs amount of chlorine added might be the inverse of Figure 6. A topographical plot of an extrapolation of the data is presented in Figure 25.

Experiments During 1975

The following data are presented in Tables XVII and XVIII: temperature, irradiance, concentration of three forms of nitrogen and phosphate and the standing crop of the lake in terms of particulate nitrogen and chlorophyll a.

The primary objective of 1975 was to test the response of V_{NO_3} as a function of free and bound chlorine in the theoretical equilibrium concentration ranges bracketing the "breakpoint". This was done in experiments performed on June 16 and August 1.

The program of Bard and King (1965) was again modified by Whitfield (1975) to calculate the amounts of chlorine and ammonia necessary to produce specific concentrations of free and bound chlorine at equilibrium. This allowed a design of a square 4 x 4 matrix of 16 duplicated experimental conditions or 32 incuabtion bottles, Table XIX. The samples were processed in the usual manner to obtain uptake rates.

The regression analysis of the data by the SAS program gave

Equation 72 as the best fit with a multiple correlation coefficient of

0.94:

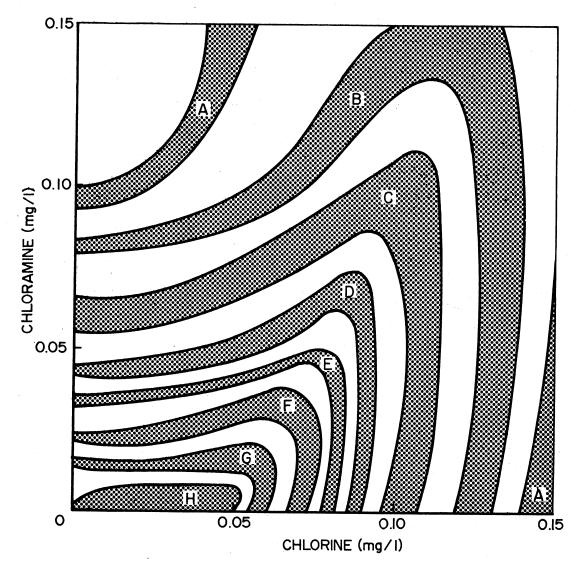


Figure 25. A Plot of the Predicted Surface for $V_{NO_3}^-$ vs. Chlorine and Chloramine Concentrations. $V_{NO_3}^-$ = (A=1, B=4, C=7, D=10, E=13, F=16, G=19, H=22) 10^{-4} . Actual Data for 1974 was 0 to 0.0388 ppm Chlorine and 0 to 0.157 ppm Chloramine

TABLE XVII

TEMPERATURE AND IRRADIANCE DATA FOR EXPERIMENTS DURING 1975

	Percent Incident	Average	Temperature °C		
Date	Irradiance	ly/min	Start	End	
6/12	9.33	0.350	23.3	ND*	
6/18	11.60	0.233	ND	ND	
7/2	21.0	0.340	ND	ND	
7/14	21.0	ND	23.9	30.0	
7/71	21.0	0.318	23.3	26.7	
8.29	30.8	0.318	23.3	30.0	

^{*}No Data.

TABLE XVIII

CONCENTRATIONS OF NITRATE, NITRITE, AMMONIA, PHOSPHATE,
CHLOROPHYLL a, AND PARTICULATE NITROGEN FOUND IN
LAKE CARL BLACKWELL DURING 1975

		μ M/1		µg/1				
Date	NO ₃ -N	NO ₂ -N	NH ₃ -N	Chlorophyll <u>a</u>	Particulate N	PO ₄ -P		
6/12	6.1378	0.0940	1.6274	1.51	87.0	0.68		
6/18	4.3021	0.2210	0.7730	3.879	72.6	0.40		
7/16*	0.4459	0.2183	4.0087	8.60	142.6	0.41		
7/18*	0.4459	0.2183	4.0087	9.04	74.3	0.77		
8/1	0.4946	0.3092	1.6864	4.29	70.3	0.75		
8/29	1.0038	0.5789	2.7220	8.29	97.7	5.60		

^{*}Experiment and data for Ham's Lake.

TABLE XIX

A SUMMARY OF THE INITIAL AND EQUILIBRIUM CONDITIONS AND THE RESPONSE FOR THE CHLORINE-CHLORAMINE EXPERIMENT DURING 1975

Initial Chlorine	Initial Added	Equilibrium Free	Equilibrium Bound	$V_{NO_2} \times 1$	03 hour-1
Added		Chlorine	Chlorine	Bottle #1	Bottle #2
$2.001 (10^{-1})$	$6.02 (10^{-1})$	5 (10 ⁻⁵)	0.10	0.052	0.043
$3.000 (10^{-1})$	$8.856 (10^{-3})$	0.05	0.10	1.140	1.105
$4.000 (10^{-1})$	$5.242 (10^{-3})$	0.10	0.10	1.790	1.586
$5.000 (10^{-1})$	$3.309 (10^{-3})$	0.15	0.10	0.640	1.272
$4.001 (10^{-1})$	1.241	5 (10 ⁻⁵)	0.20	0.125	0.041
$5.000 (10^{-1})$	$4.071 (10^{-2})$	0.05	0.20	0.545	0.579
$6.000 (10^{-1})$	$3.348 (10^{-2})$	0.10	0.20	0.870	
$7.000 (10^{-1})$	$2.962 (10^{-2})$	0.15	0.20	0.658	0.885
$6.001 (10^{-1})$	1.873	5 (10 ⁻⁵)	0.30	0.111	0.014
7.000 (10^{-1})	7.257 (10^{-2})	0.05	0.30	0.184	
$8.000 (10^{-1})$	$6.172 (10^{-2})$	0.10	0.30	0.299	0.378
$9.000 (10^{-1})$	$5.593 (10^{-2})$	0.15	0.30	0.521	0.479
$9.001 (10^{-1})$	2.822	5 (10 ⁻⁵)	0.45	0.001	0.000
1.000	$1.204 (10^{-1})$	0.05	0.45	0.061	0.014
1.100	$1.041 (10^{-1})$	0.10	0.45	0.111	
1.200	$9.539 (10^{-2})$	0.15	0.45	0.196	0.172

$$v_{NO_3}^- = 0.033 + 3.64 (10^{-2})x - 9.13 (10^{-2})xy - 1.89 (10^{-1})x^2 + 5.04 (10^{-1})x^2y$$
 [72]

where x is the concentration of free chlorine in ppm and y is the concentration of bound chlorine in ppm.

Figures 26 and 27 are two three-dimensional views of the surface given by this equation. The experimental conditions were 5 x 10^{-5} to 0.15 ppm free chlorine and 0.10 to 0.45 ppm bound chlorine. The plots however range only to 0.4 ppm bound chlorine. This is due to the fact that the equation predicts near zero negative values of V_{NO_3} at 0.45 ppm bound chlorine. As a result the four data points at this concentration are not shown in these figures.

This surface is in agreement with the general characteristics of the surface predicted in 1974. Both equations or surfaces generated by the data in 1974 and 1975 are considered valid in their applied range of toxin concentrations. As free chlorine concentration increases at a constant concentration of bound chlorine, $V_{NO_3^-}$ initially decreases, increases forming a hump or ridge and then decreases to zero at approximately 0.2 ppm free chlorine. A decrease of $V_{NO_3^-}$ to zero cocurs at a concentration of about 0.5 ppm bound chlorine.

In an attempt to measure the effect of pH and orthophosphate on nitrate uptake the square 4 x 4 matrix design of 15 duplicated conditions was used on August 29. Phosphate was added in amounts of 0, 20, 100 or 200 ppm; the pH was adjusted to 6.6, 7.6, 8.1 or 9.2 with dilute solutions of hydrochloric acid and/or sodium hydroxide;

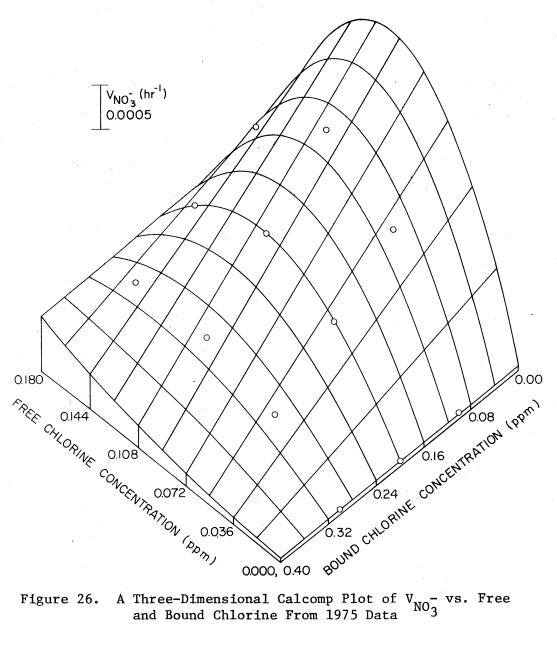


Figure 26. A Three-Dimensional Calcomp Plot of v_{NO_3} - vs. Free and Bound Chlorine From 1975 Data

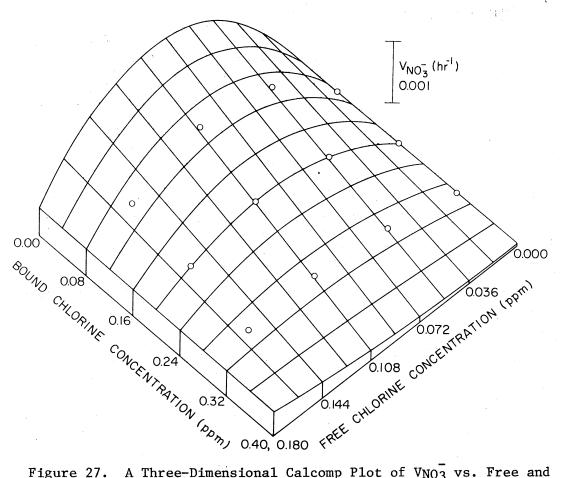


Figure 27. A Three-Dimensional Calcomp Plot of V_{NO_3} vs. Free and Bound Chlorine From 1975 Data (Second View)

and, the 15 N-nitrate was added at 50% above the ambient nitrate concentration. The matrix design and calculated uptake rates in a range of 0.66×10^{-3} to 1.78×10^{-3} (hr⁻¹) are shown in Table XX. The variability of uptake rates within duplicates was approximately the same as the variability of uptake rates between experimental conditions. For this reason a meaningful regression analysis could not be performed.

The lack in response of $V_{NO_3}^-$ as a function of phosphate concentration was anticipated. Experiments during 1974 showed little response in $V_{NO_3}^-$ to additions of phosphate. However, the lack of response in $V_{NO_3}^-$ to a change in pH was predicted to be dramatic based on the germanium experiment and experiments reported in the literature (Sharma and Kumar, 1975).

The experiments of July 15 and 17 were performed to examine the effect of germanium on nitrate and ammonia uptake reflected by a change in the overall $V_{NO_3}^-$. On these experimental dates the ambient silicon concentration was found to be approximately 4 mg $SiO_2^-Si/1$ using the method of Strickland and Parsons (1968). Germanium oxide was dissolved in 0.1 N NaOH and added to lake water at an amount of 19 mg $GeO_2^-/1$. This resulted in a change in the pH of the lakewater. $^{15}N^-$ nitrate and ammonia spikes were at 20% of ambient concentrations. In order to differentiate the effect of germanium from that of the increased pH, various controls were simultaneously incubated. Table XXI is a summary of the experiments on these dates. No significant difference can be seen in samples spiked with germanium and $^{15}N^-$ nitrate or $^{15}N^-$ ammonia in contrast to samples spiked with NaOH and $^{15}N^-$ nitrate or $^{15}N^-$ ammonia.

INITIAL CONDITIONS FOR THE EXPERIMENT OF $$v_{\rm NO_3^-}$$ VS pH and orthophosphate on august 29, 1975

TABLE XX

pН	$\mu g PO_4^{-3}$ -P Added/1	v_{NO_2} (1	$v_{NO_3}^-$ (hour ⁻¹)		
		Bottle #1	Bottle #2		
6.6	0 n	1.381	0.744		
6.6	20	1.780	1.719		
6.6	100	0.824	1.514		
6.6	200	1.410	1.501		
7.6	0	1.047	1.555		
7.6	20	1.548	1.456		
7.6	100	1.083	1.468		
7.6	200	1.112	1.488		
8.1	0	0.810	0.763		
8.1	20				
8.1	100	1.212	1.342		
8.1	200	1.132	1.318		
9.2	0	0.657	1.079		
9.2	20	1.425	1.434		
9.2	100	1.056	1.594		
9.2	200	1.187	1.353		

TABLE XXI

A SUMMARY OF THE Ge PERTURBED EXPERIMENTS DURING 1975

Date	Perturbation	рН	# of Samples	Mean AT % 15 _N	Standard Deviation	Mean V _{NO3}	Standard Deviation
7/15	NaOH	8.9	8	0.3620	0.0060		
7/15	Ge	9.1	2	0.3630	0.0030		
7/15	$NaOH + 15NO_3$	9.0	3	0.5407	0.0633	4.43×10^{-4}	1.59×10^{-4}
7/15	$Ge + 15_{NO_3}$	9.1	3	0.5792	0.0074	5.40×10^{-4}	1.8×10^{-5}
7/15	$NaOH + 15NH_3$	9.0	3	2.9762	0.9146	6.140×10^{-3}	2.15×10^{-3}
7/15	$Ge + 15_{NH_3}$	9.1	1	3.5973	0.0439*	7.599×10^{-3}	
7/17	Unaltered	8.2	3	0.3620	0.0061		
7/17	NaOH	9.1	3	0.3609	0.0007		
7/17	Ge	9.0	2	0.3609	0.0018		
7/17	$15_{NO_3}^-$	8.2	3	0.7620	0.0733	9.76×10^{-4}	1.79×10^{-4}
7/17	$NaOH + 15NO_3$	9.0	2	0.4641	0.0054	2.46×10^{-4}	1.3×10^{-5}
7/17	$Ge + 15_{NO_3}^{-3}$	9.0	1	0.4756	0.0080*	2.74×10^{-4}	
7/17	15 _{NH} 3	8.2	2	3.3786	0.0930	6.932×10^{-3}	2.14×10^{-4}
7/17	$NaOH + 15_{NH_3}$	9.0	2	1.3003	0.5202	2.153×10^{-3}	1.196×10^{-3}
7/17	$Ge + 15_{NH_3}$	9.1	2	3.6353	0.1928	7.522×10^{-3}	4.43×10^{-4}

^{*}Two of three samples were lost during processing. The standard deviations of the Atom percent ^{15}N are based on the peak height measurements of the remaining sample.

Several explanations of the lack of differential responses are possible. Germanium may not have sufficiently inhibited silicon uptake to cause a change in nitrogen uptake. The diatoms may have been using an intracellular pool of silicon. The response may require a longer incubation period and/or a higher level of spike for the change to become measurable. Alternatively, diatoms may be contributing to the observed $V_{\rm NO_3}^-$ to only a negligible extent.

The effect of pH on nitrate uptake can be seen in the data of July 17. Raising the pH to 9.0 reduced $V_{\rm NO_3}^-$ to one third its value at a pH of 8.2.

Procedural and Instrumental Modifications

All modifications were made with two objectives in mind. The first and most important objective was to decrease the uncertainty of the mass spectrometric analysis. Many steps were required in sample preparation before meaningful data was obtained. Therefore, a reduction in the time required to process each sample and a reduction in procedural errors became significant.

Implementation of the semi-automatic Toepler pump was a significant improvement in processing the samples. Two mercury float valves of the pump and two solenoid valves eliminated four stopcocks, five stopcock manipulations per cycle of the pump, and approximately fifty manipulations per sample. This resulted in a more complete transfer of each sample and fewer samples lost from operator error.

The need for maximizing the sample size has been shown in Chapter

II. Minimizing the volume of the vacuum system and optimizing the leak

rate into the ion source of the mass spectrometer allowed use of the unattenuated galvanometer. Filtering of this galvanometer was accomplished. Figures 28 and 29 are sketches of the oscillographic traces of samples prior to and after modification of the appropriate circuit (Figure 10).

The high resolution mass spectrometer is most commonly used for the purpose of measuring the relative abundances and masses of fragment ions of organic molecules. Due to the accumulation on the surfaces of the ion source of compounds with high boiling points the instrument normally has a high background which could interfere with the determination of the atom percent ¹⁵N in a nitrogen gas sample. It was imperative that the ion source be removed and cleaned prior to nitrogen analysis. It was also found that turning off the ion source pressure gauge reduced the background.

Periodically high resolution mass spectrometric fragmentation patterns (10 to 1000 amu) were made on samples to verify that the gas ampoule contained 99+ % of nitrogen gas, i.e. a check of complete combustion of algae and adequate trapping of ${\rm CO}_2$, ${\rm H}_2{\rm O}$, etc.

The mass of $^{14}\mathrm{N}_2$ is 28.00646 amu and the mass of $^{12}\mathrm{C}-^{16}\mathrm{O}$ is 27.994914 amu. Carbon dioxide which will fragment to carbon monoxide is by far the most abundant contaminant from atmospheric leaks into the instrument and from inadequate trapping after sample combustion. For this reason the high resolution capabilities of the instrument were used to resolve these masses. This requires a resolution of 1:2493 at equal constituent contribution. The isotopes of $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ and $^{17}\mathrm{O}$ result in masses of carbon monoxide that are too close to that of $^{14}\mathrm{N}-^{15}\mathrm{N}$ to be resolved with the instrument. However,

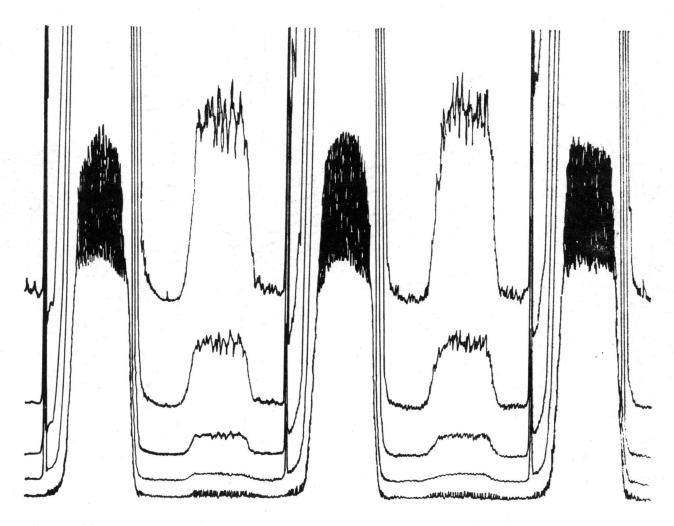


Figure 28. A Typical Oscillographic Trace Prior to the Electronic Filtration Modification

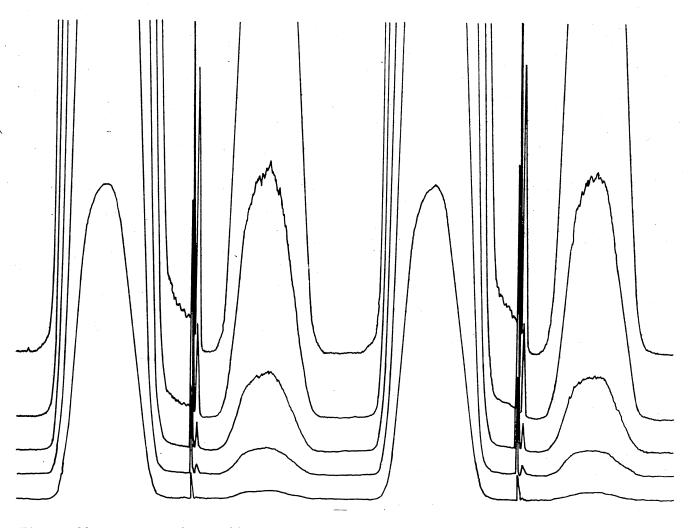


Figure 29. A Typical Oscillographic Trace After the Electronic Filtration Modification

their natural abundances, 1.107 atom percent and 0.0374 atom percent, respectively, make their contributions negligible.

It is impossible to quantitate the improvement in analyses from each modification. However, the net result of the changes made during each year can be seen in Table XXII. The value of the atom percent ¹⁵N as compared to natural abundance, 0.366, is not an absolute criteria of the quality of data since one can consistently measure the heights of the oscillographic traces incorrectly. The standard deviations and confidence limits are important since they reflect consistency and improvement in the data.

TABLE XXII

A SUMMARY OF THE MASS SPECTROMETRIC ANALYSES
OF CONTROL SAMPLES FROM LAKE CARL BLACKWELL
DURING 1973, 1974, AND 1975

Year	Number of Samples	Average At 3 15 N	Standard Deviation	Minimum At % 15 _N	Maximum At % ¹⁵ N	Confidence 90%	Intervals Around 95%	Mean Values 99%
1973	45	0.3557	0.0417	0.2630	0.4777	± 0.0686	± 0.0818	± 0.1075
1974	20	0.3622	0.0169	0.3207	0.3919	± 0.0278	± 0.0332	± 0.0436_
1975	25	0.3638	0.0081	0.3534	0.3860	± 0.0133	± 0.0157	± 0.0208

CHAPTER IV

SUMMARY

The following parameters in Lake Carl Blackwell were determined on a weekly basis during the summer of 1973 and periodically during 1974 and 1975: light intensity; temperature; ambient concentrations of nitrate, nitrite, and ammonia; and standing crop of phytoplankton in terms of chlorophyll \underline{a} and particulate nitrogen. A consistent set of values of K_s and V_{max} for nitrate uptake at 0.8 m depth was found using the ^{15}N incubation technique followed by mass spectrometric analyses and regression analyses based on the Woolf transformation of the Michaelis-Menten equation. Triplicated experiments showed variability in V_{NO_2} at less than 10%.

The effect of chlorine on $V_{NO_3}^-$ was shown in three experiments. Additions of 0.101 mg Cl $_2$ /1 caused an increase in K $_8$ from 3.27 to 32.6 µg at N/1. Additions of 0.013 mg Cl $_2$ /1 increased K $_8$ from 12.0 to 24.7 µg at N/1. Increasing concentrations of chlorine from 0.1 to 3.00 mg Cl $_2$ /1 at an $^{15}NO_3^-$ level 10% above ambient nitrate concentration gave an LC-50 value of 0.028 mg Cl $_2$ /1.

A one compartment model of nitrate uptake was applied to the data of 1973. The model considered effects of light flux, temperature, and ammonia concentrations. Factoring out these effects gave a fluctuating pattern for saturated nitrate uptake by algae in mid-summer which may have been species dependent. The effect of chlorine on V_{\max} and K_{S}

from the experiments in late June and early July were used to simulate by interpolation the presence of chlorine for a full month. The resultant nitrate flux was significant in implying that these concentrations of chlorine could reduce algal density significantly.

During 1974 the effect of chlorine and chloramine on the uptake of nitrate and ammonia was investigated. Gomparison of nitrate flux data for two experimental dates indicated that chloramine inhibited nitrate uptake to a greater extent than does chlorine at low concentrations. Additions of 0.1 mg chloramine/1 were found to inhibit uptake of nitrate to a greater extent than additions of chlorine at the same concentration. Varying concentrations of chlorine from 0.0 to 0.5 mg $\rm Cl_2/1$ while adding $\rm ^{15}NH_3$ at 5.46% of ambient gave an LC-50 value of 0.101 mg $\rm Cl_2/1$ for ammonia uptake.

The uptake rate of nitrate as a function of free and bound chlorine was found by simultaneously varying their concentrations.

The equation of best fit (correlation coefficient = 0.79) describing the response at stoichiometry below the "breakpoint" phenomenon was found to be

$$V_{NO_3}^- = 2.45 (10^{-4}) - 3.61 (10^{-3}) y + 1.13 (10^{-2}) y^2 + 8.56 x y$$

where x is the concentration of free chlorine in ppm and y is the concentration of bound chlorine in ppm. A three dimensional plot of this equation was shown in Figure 24. It was felt that this equation more accurately described the response of $V_{NO_3}^-$ to concentrations of bound chlorine than free chlorine.

The data describing the trends of response were extrapolated beyond the experimental conditions of 1974 to show nitrate uptake rates above the breakpoint stoichiometry. The resulting surface, Figure 25, was tested during 1975. Various theoretical concentrations of free and bound chlorine bracketing the breakpoint stoichiometry gave data which described $V_{NO_3}^-$ by the following equation of best fit (correlation coefficient = 0.94):

$$V_{NO_3}^- = 0.033 + 3.64 (10^{-2}) \times -9.13 (10^{-2}) \times y - 1.89 (10^{-1}) \times^2 + 5.04 (10^{-1}) \times^2 y,$$

where x and y are the concentrations in ppm of free and bound chlorine, respectively. Three dimensional plots of the equation, Figures 26 and 27, have the general characteristics of the surface predicted in 1974, Figure 25.

Combining the information from 1974 and 1975, it was concluded that $V_{NO_3}^-$ initially increases as the breakpoint reaction lowers the concentrations of the toxic species. Above the breakpoint stoichiometry $V_{NO_3}^-$ again decreases with increasing concentration of free chlorine. The uptake rate of nitrate is completely inhibited at concentrations of approximately 0.2 ppm free chlorine and/or 0.5 ppm bound chlorine.

During 1974, additions of 100 mg PO_4^{-3} -P/1 were made to duplicated incubation bottles. Nitrate uptake was not significantly effected and it was therefore concluded that phosphate was not limiting to phytoplankton growth in Lake Carl Blackwell at concentrations observed.

A three dimensional analysis of $v_{NO_3}^-$ as a function of pH and orthophosphate was attempted during 1975. Results were found to be erratic and non-reproducible.

Germanium at high Ge/Si ratios inhibits silicone uptake and diatom growth. In an attempt to measure the contribution of nitrate and ammonia uptake by diatoms to the overall community uptake rates, germanium was dissolved in NaOH and added to incubation bottles of lake water during two experiments. Various controls were simultaneously incubated. No measureable difference could be detected between samples incubated with ^{15}N plus NaOH and ^{15}N plus NaOH and germanium for nitrate or ammonium uptake experiments. However, a decrease in pH was found to decrease nitrate uptake significantly. Samples incubated with only $^{15}\text{No}_3^-$ (pH = 8.2) had uptake rates of approximately 9.76 x 10 hr $^{-1}$; samples incubated with $^{15}\text{No}_3^-$ plus NaOH (pH = 9.1) had uptake rates of approximately 2.46 x 10 hr $^{-1}$.

An error propagation involving the determination of the atom percent excess ^{15}N in the initial incubation solution and in the final particulate sample was developed. This allowed an estimate of the precision of the Michaelis-Menten constants as well as the quantitative determination of the uncertainty in each experimental phase. This analysis showed that the mass spectrometric determinations were the major source of error for most samples.

Various instrumental and procedural modifications were made to improve the overall procedure and reduce the uncertainty in the mass spectrometric analyses.

A semi-automatic Toepler pump with mercury float valves was built and installed to be used in the collection of nitrogen gas after sample

pyrolysis. This eliminated approximately 50 stopcock manipulations per sample. The vacuum system was redesigned to have a minimal volume. Nitrogen cold traps of the tube within a tube design were replaced with radiator coil traps which minimized the volume to surface area ratio thus increasing the efficiency of trapping undesired gases such as water vapor, CO_2 , etc. These modifications resulted in a more complete transfer and collection of purer samples in a shorter time with less chance of sample loss due to operator error.

The leak rate between the sample chamber and the ion source of the mass spectrometer was optimized for the sample sizes obtained from typical incubation experiments. More of the sample was used in the analyses which was reflected by an increase in signal intensities without increasing the absolute uncertainty in quantifying these signals.

Time averaging of the signals was incorporated into the procedure to ensure that the decay of the sample in the ion source would not give erroneous isotope ratios. Six scans of m/e 29 and five scans of m/e 28 of each sample were collected for analysis.

The use of larger amounts of sample allowed a reduction in the applied voltage per stage of the electron multiplier. This gave the further advantageous result of decreasing the noise per unit deflection on the strip chart. Tank nitrogen samples were processed at this new and higher range of ion source pressures to test for the possibility of space charging occurring in the ion source. No mass discrimination as a function of source pressure was detected.

Increased sample sizes made desirable the use of the unamplified m/e 28 signal. The appropriate circuit was modified so that the

existing filtration network would be used by this galvanometer. The decrease in the signal to noise ratio greatly decreased the uncertainty in measuring the signal with the unamplified galvanometer.

A significant procedural change was made in the mass spectrometric analysis. The mass of $^{14}\mathrm{N}_2$ is 28.00646 amu and the mass of $^{12}\mathrm{C}\text{-}^{16}\mathrm{O}$ is 27.994914 amu. Carbon dioxide which will fragment to carbon monoxide is by far the most abundant contaminant from atmospheric leaks into the instrument and potentially from inadequate trapping after sample combustion. The high resolution capabilities of the instrument were used to resolve these masses. This required a resolution of 1:2493 at equal constituent contribution.

The decrease in error of the mass spectrometric analyses from each procedural or instrumental modification is impossible to quantitate. However, the overall improvement can be seen in the standard deviations of control samples during the three years. The standard deviation was decreased from 0.0417 atom percent ¹⁵N (for 45 samples) in 1973, to 0.0169 (for 20 samples) in 1974, and finally to 0.0081 (for 25 samples) in 1975. The values represent a reduction of over 80 percent in the variability of the uptake rates due to the mass spectrometric analyses. Many of the conclusions from 1974 and 1975 experiments would not have been possible without this improvement.

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APPENDIX A

THE DERIVATION OF THE MICHAELIS-MENTEN EQUATION

Assume that the sequence of events in the overall enzyme-catalyzed reaction is the reversible combination of the enzyme, E, and substrate, S, to form an ES complex which then reversibly decomposes to form free enzyme and product, P. This is summarized by Equation 1 in which k_1 , k_2 , k_3 , and k_4 are first order rate constants.

$$E + S \xrightarrow{k_1} ES \xrightarrow{k_3} P + E$$
 [1]

Also assume a steady-state situation such that

$$k_1 [E] [S] + k_4 [E] [P] = k_2 [ES] = k_3 [ES]$$
 [2]

By simplification,

[E]
$$(k_1 [S] + k_{\Delta} [P]) = [ES] (k_2 + k_3)$$
. [3]

$$[ES]/[E] = \frac{k_1 [S] + k_4 [P]}{k_2 + k_3}.$$
 [4]

[ES]/[E] =
$$\frac{k_1 [S]}{k_2 + k_3} + \frac{k_4 [P]}{k_2 + k_3}$$
. [5]

Assume that at time = 0, [P] = 0. Therefore,

$$[E[/[ES]] = \frac{k_2 + k_3}{k_1 [S]}$$
 [6]

Let $(k_2 + k_3)/k_1 = K_s$. Therefore, [E]/[ES] = K_s /[S]. Let [E]_T = total enzyme concentration. Therefore,

$$[E]_{T} = [E] + [ES]$$
 [7)

or,

$$[E] = [E]_{T} - [ES]$$
 . [8]

Dividing by [ES],

$$[E]/[ES] = \frac{[E]_{T} - [ES]}{[ES]} = \frac{[E]_{T}}{[ES]} - 1.$$
 [9]

Therefore,

$$\frac{[E]_{T}}{[ES]} - 1 = \frac{K_{S}}{[S]} . {10}$$

The maximum initial velocity, V_{max} , is proportional to the total enzyme present and the velocity at any given substrate concentration is proportional to the amount of enzyme present as the ES complex. Therefore, one can substitute V_{max}/v for $[E]_T/[ES]$:

$$V_{\text{max}}/V = \frac{K_s}{[S]} + 1$$
 . [11]

Thus, the basic equation can be written as

$$v = \frac{V_{\text{max}}[S]}{K_{S} + [S]} \qquad .$$
 [12]

APPENDIX B

THE COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR THE CALCULATION AND PLOTTING OF THE MICHAELIS-MENTEN CONSTANTS

VAR29(NCTRL)=SUMSQ9(NCTRL)/FLUAT(NSCAN9-1)

R(NCTRL) = CAV28(NCTRL)/CAV29(NCTRL)

0041

0042

DEL29(1) = EAV29(NEXP)-CP29(1)

C098

0151

WRITE(6,24) AF(1), VARAF(1), AI(1), VARAI(1)

0195

0245

NCOUNT=1

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                55 SXI=0.0
C247
                   SYI = 0.0
0248
                   SXI2=0.0
0249
                   SY 12=0.0
0250
                   SXIYI=0.0
0251
                   DO 50 I=1.NEXP
0252
                   GO TO(47,48,49,47).NPLOT
0253
               47 GO TO(58,48,49), NCOUNT
0254
                58 SXI=SXI+ S(I)
0255
                   SYI=SYI+SOV(I)
0256
                   SXIYI=SXIYI+ S(I) *SOV(I)
0257
                   SXI2=SXI2+ S(I)* S(I)
0258
                   SY12=SY12+SOV(1) +SOV(1)
0259
                   GO TO 50
0260
                48 SXI=SXI+00S(I)
0261
                   SYI=SYI+00V(I)
0262
                   SXIYI=SXIYI+00S(I)*00V(I)
0263
                   SXI2=SXI2+00S(I)*00S(I)
0264
                   SY12=SY12+00V(1)*00V(1)
0265
                   GO TO 50
0266
                49 SXI=SXI+VOS(I)
0267
                   SYI = SYI+VNO3(I)
0268
                   SXIYI=SXIYI+VOS(I) #VNO3(I)
0269
                   SX12=SX12+VOS(1)*VOS(1)
0270
                   SYI2=SYI2+VN03(I)*VN03(I)
0271
                50 CONTINUE
0272
                   PLXY=FLOAT (NEXP) *SX[Y I-SX[*SY]
0273
                   PLXX=FLOAT(NEXP) *SXI2-SXI*SXI
0274
                   PLYY=FLOAT(NEXP) *SYI2-SYI*SYI
C275
                   RCOEF=PLXY/SCRT(PLXX*PLYY)
0276
                  GO TO(51,52,53,51),NPLOT
0277
               51 GO TO(50,52,53), NCOUNT
                  LSQFIT TO WOOLF PLOT . S/V VS. S. IF NEXT CARD IS USED.
0278
               56 CALL LSQFIT( S,SOV ,SIGSOV,B,SIG,NEXP,NSAMP,NO2,2,NCOUNT)
0279
                   VMAX = 1./B(2)
0280
                   SIGVM = SIG(2)/(B(2)*B(2))
0281
                  CKS = B(1)/B(2)
                  SIGKS=SQRT(CKS*CKS*(SIG(1)*SIG(1)/(B(1)*B(1)) + SIG(2)*SIG(2)/
0282
                 1 (8(2)*8(2))))
0283
                   LSOFIT TO LINEWEAVER-BURK PLOT, 1/V VS. 1/S, IF NEXT CARD IS USED.
            C
                  CALL LSQFIT(OOS,OOV ,SIGOOV, 8,SIG, NEXP, NSAMP, NO2, 2, NCOUNT)
0284
            52
0285
                  VMAX = 1./8(1)
C286
                   SIGVM = SIG(1)/(B(1)*B(1))
0287
                  CKS = B(2)/B(1)
0288
                  SIGKS=SQRT(CKS*CKS*(SIG(1)*SIG(1)/(B(1)*B(1)) + SIG(2)*SIG(2)/
                 1 (8(2) *8(2))))
0289
                  GO TO 54
                  LSOFIT TO HOFSTEE PLOT, V VS. V/S, IF NEXT CARD IS USED.
C290
               53 CALL LSQFIT(VOS, VNO3, SIGV , B, SIG, NEXP, NSAMP, NO2, 2, NCOUNT)
0291
                  VMAX=B(1)
0292
                  SIGVM=SIG(1)
0293
                  CKS=-B(2)
0294
                  SIGKS=SIG(2)
0295
               54 CONTINUE
0296
                   WRITE(6,132)RCOEF
0297
              132 FORMAT (1H0.5X. 9H RCOEF = .F8.5)
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WRITE(6,38) VMAX, SIGVM, CKS, SIGKS

0298

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                    FORMAT(1H0, 'VMAX = '.1PE12.4,', SIGVMAX = '.1PE12.4,', 1'.1PE12.4,', SIGKS = '.1PE12.4)
 0299
                                                                                             KS =
 0300
                      AVGRC = 0.0
 0301
                      AVGNC = 0.0
                     AVVNC = 0.0

NCTRL = 0

IF(NPLCT.LT.4)GQ TO 3
 0302
 6303
 0304
 C305
                      NCOUNT = NCOUNT+1
 0306
                      IF (NCOUNT.GT.3)GO TO 3
 C307
                     GO TO 55
 0308
                      WRITE(6,2)
 0309
                     STOP
0310
                     END
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READ IN DATA AND CALCULATE Y. INDEPENDENT VARIABLE READ IN AS XX

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0035
               109 DO12 K=1,MM
C036
                   IF(INDEX.EQ.2) GG TO 99
0037
                   READ(5.1) XX(K), Y(K), P(K)
                   CALCULATE WEIGHT OF Y. W=1/STD. DEV. OF Y SQUARED
C038
            .99
                   IF(P(K).EQ.0.0) GO TO 14
0039
                   W = 1./(P(K)*P(K))
0040
                   GO TO 19
0041
                14 W= 1.
                   CALCULATE POWERS OF X AND STORE IN V
0042
                19 V(1,K)=1.0
CO 43
                   V(2.K)=XX(K)
C044
                   V(3,K)=XX(K)*XX(K)
0045
                  D091=4.8
0046
                  L=I-1
0047
                9 V(I,K)=XX(K)**L
                   STORE Y.W AND DATA IN V
0048
                   V(9,K)=Y(K)
0049
                   V(10,K)=W
C050
                   V(11,K)=0.0
0051
                   V(12,K)=0.0
0052
                   V(13.K)=P(K)
                   BUILD MATRIX CONTAINING ELEMENTS OF NORMAL EQUATIONS
0053
                10 DO12 I=1.8
0054
                   PIVOT=V(I,K)
0055
                11 DO12 J=1,9
0056
                12 \times (I,J) = \times (I,J) +
                                     .W*PIVOT*V(J.K)
0057
                13 IF(INDEX.EQ.2)GO TO 1111
            C
                   READ CENTROL CARD
0058
                   READ(5.3
                                  )(CONTL(I), I=1,8)
             1111 KCONTL = KCONTL+1
0059
                   SHRINK MATRIX ACCORDING TO SIZE
0060
                  I = 1
                  D016 I=1.SIZE
0061
0062
                   JJ=1
0063
                   0015 J=1.SIZE
0064
                   IF(CONTL(I).EQ.1)GOTO16
0065
                  IF(CONTL(J).EQ.1)GOTO15
0066
                  (L,I)X=(LL,II)XD
0067
                   JJ=JJ+1
8400
                15 CONTINUE
0069
                  11=11+1
C070
               16 CONTINUE
                  SHRINK MATRIX ACCORDING TO FIXED BETA
0071
                  N=II-1
0072
                  M=II
0073
                  II=1
0074
                   DO17 I=1.SIZE
0075
                  IF(CONTL(I).EQ.1)GOTO17
0076
                  DX(II,M)=X(I,9)
                                      )-BETA(1) *X(1,1)-BETA(2) *X(1,2)-BETA(3) *X(1,3)-
                  1BETA(4)*X(1,4)-BETA(5)*X(1,5)-BETA(6)*X(1,6)-BETA(7)*X(1,7)-
                  2BETA(8)*X([.8)
0077
                  II = II + 1
0078
                17 CONTINUE
0079
                  IF(INDEX .EQ. 2) GO TO 20
                  PRINT CUNTROL PARAMETERS
C080
                  WRITE(6,4)(CCNTL(I), I=1,SIZE)
0081
                  GO TO 18
               20 WRITE(6,22)(CONTL(1), I=1, SIZE)
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0083
                18 WRITE(6,7)
                   INVERT MATRIX
0084
                   CALL INVERT
 0085
                   DO25 I=1,N
 C086
                   DO25 J=1.M
 0087
                25 Z(I,J)=DX(I,J)
0088
                   KK=1
 0089
                   D0185 K=1.SIZE
 0090
                   IF(CONTL(K).EQ.1)GUT0184
                   STORE CALCULATED BETA FROM MATRIX OR FIXED BETA
 0091
                   B(K) = DX(KK,M)
0092
                   VAR(K)=DX(KK,KK)
 0093
                   KK=KK+1
0094
                   G0T0185
0095
               184 B(K)=BETA(K)
0096
               185 CONTINUE
C097
                   DOI86 K=1.SIZE
                   IF BETA LESS THAN ZERO. TRY NEXT MODEL
                   IF(B(K).LT.O.O)GOTO13
0098
             186 CONTINUE
             C
                   CALCULATE DEGREES OF FREEDOM
0099
                   DF=MM-N
0100
                   SMIN=0.0
             С
                   DETERMINE SET OF CALCULATED Y'S
0101
                   D021 K=1.MM
0102
                   YBAR=0.0
0103
                   DO32 I=1.SIZE
0104
                32 YBAR=YBAR+B(I)*V(I,K)
0105
                   YHAT(K)=YBAR
             С
                   CALCULATE DEVIATION
0106
                   DEV(K)=V(9,K)-YHAT(K)
            С
                   CALCULATE WEIGHTED SQUARE OF DEVIATION
0107
                   S(K)=V(10,K)+DEV(K)+DEV(K)
                  CALCULATE SMIN / (DEG. OF FREEDOM), THE GOODNESS OF FIT PARAMETER
                21 SMIN=SMIN+S(K)
0108
0109
                   SMIN=SMIN/DF
0110
                   D0188 K=1.SIZE
0111
                   IF(CONTL(K).EQ.1)GOTO187
            C
                   CALCULATE STD DEV OF BETA
                   SIG(K)=SQRT(VAR(K)*SMIN)
0112
            С
                   IF BETA-STD DEV IS NEGATIVE, TRY NEXT MODEL
                   IF(SIG(K)-B(K).GE.O.O)GOTO13
0113
                   GOTO188
0114
              187 SIG(K)=0.0
0115
              188 CONTINUE
                   IF GOODNESS OF FIT GREATER THAN 6. TRY NEXT MODEL
                   IF(SMIN.GT.6.0)GOTO13
            C
                  IF GOODNESS OF FIT BETWEEN 1.5 AND 6, PRINT GOODNESS PARAMETER AND CONTROL
            C
                  CARD AND THEN TRY NEXT MODEL
                  IF(SMIN.GT.1.5)WRITE(6,34)SMIN, (CONTL(I), I=1, SIZE)
                  IF(SMIN.GT.1.5)GO TO 13
0116
                  GO TO(121,122,123,124,125,126,127,128),N
0117
              121 WRITE(6, 101) ((Z(I, J), J=1, M), I=1, N)
0118
                  GOTO 110
0119
              122 WRITE(6, 102) ((Z(I,J),J=1,M),I=1,N)
0120
                  GOTO 110
0121
              123 WRITE(6, 103) ((Z(I, J), J=1, M), I=1, N)
0122
                  GOTO 110
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0123
              124 WRITE(6, 104) ((Z(I,J),J=1,M),I=1,N)
0124
                   GOTO 110
0125
               125 WRITE(6, 105) ((Z(I,J),J=1,M),I=1,N)
0126
                   GOTO 110
0127
               126 MRITE(6, 106) ((Z(I,J),J=1,M),I=1,N)
C128
                   GOTO 110
0129
               127 WRITE(6, 107) ((Z(I,J),J=1,M),[=1,N)
                   GOTO 110
0130
0131
               128 WRITE(6, 108) ((Z(I, J), J=1, M), I=1, N)
              110 WRITE(6,36)
0132
                   PRINT BETA AND STD DEV
                   WRITE(6,35)(B(K),SIG(K),K=1,SIZE)
0133
                   PRINT 4 COLUMNS OF INPUT DATA, Y. W. CALCULATED Y. DEVIATION, WEIGHTED
                   SQUARE OF DEVIATION
0134
                   WRITE(6,5)
0135
                   D023 K=1.MM
0136
                23 WRITE(6,2) V(2,K),V(11,K),V(12,K),V(13,K),V(9,K),V(10,K),
                  1 YHAT(K) DEV(K) S(K)
                   PRINT GOODNESS OF FIT
0137
                   WRITE(6,7)
0138
                   WRITE(6,8)SMIN
0139
                   IF (ITRANS-EQ-0)GO TO 24
0140
                   DO 38 K=1.MM
0141
                   XPLOT(K) = V(2,K)
                38 YPLOT(K)=V(9,K)
0142
0143
                   DO 26 K=1,MM
                   J=K+MM
0144
                   XPLOT(J)=V(2.K)
0145
                26 YPLOT(J) = YHAT(K)
0146
0147
                   NPT=MM*2
0148
                   XMIN=XPLOT(1)
0149
                   DO 27 K=2.MM
0150
                   IF(XMIN.LT.XPLOT(K))GO TO 27
0151
                   XMIN=XPLGT(K)
0152
                27 CONTINUE
0153
                   XMAX=XPLOT(1)
0154
                   DO 28 K=2,MM
                   IF (XMAX.GT.XPLOT (K)) GO TO 28
0155
0156
                   XMAX=XPLOT(K)
0157
                28 CONTINUE
0158
                   YMIN=YPLCT(1)
0159
                   00 29 J=2,NPT
0160
                   IF(YMIN.LT.YPLOT(J))GO TO 29
0161
                   YMIN=YPLOT(J)
                29 CONTINUE
0162
0163
                   YMAX=YPLOT(1)
                   DO 30 J=2.NPT
0164
                   IF(YMAX.GT.YPLOT(J))GO TO 30
0165
0166
                   YMAX=YPLGT(J)
0167
                30 CONTINUE
0168
                   GO TO(56,52,53), ITRANS
C169
                56 WRITE(6,57)
0170
                57 FORMAT(1H1,20X, WOOLF PLOT')
0171
                   GO TO 31
0172
                52 WRITE(6,60)
                60 FORMAT(IH1,20X, LINEWEAVER-BURK PLOT')
0173
                   GO TO 31
0174
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53 WRITE(6,59)

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0176		59 FORMAT(1H	1,20X, HOFSTEE PLCT'			
0177		31 CALL PLOT	(XPLOT, XMIN, XMAX, O, YPLC	T,YMIN,YMAX.O.ZPLOT.O.	.00.	
		1NPT,2,1,2	2,2)			
0178		24 IF (KCONTL	.EQ. NCONTL) GO TO 111			
	С	TRY NEXT	MODEL			
0179		GOTO13	•			
0180	1	11 RETURN				
0181		END				

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0001		SUBROUTINE INV	ERT		•	
	C	MATRIX INVERSI	ON ROUTINE			
0002		DOUBLE PRECISION	ON DX,PIVOTI,PIVOT2			
0003		DIMENSION DX (8				
0004		COMMON DX.N.M	•			
0005		DO 30 I=1.N				
0006		PIVOT1=1.DO/DX	(I.I)			
0007		DX(I, I)=PIVOT1	•			
8000		00 10 J=1,M				
0009		IF(J.EQ.I) GO	TO 10			
0010		DX(I,J)=PIVOTI	(L,I)XG			
0011	10	CONTINUE		v		
0012		DO 25 K=1.N				
0013		IF(K.EQ. I) GO	TO 25			
CO14		PIVOT2=DX(K,I)				•
0015		DX(K, I) = -PIVO	T2*PIVOT1			
0016		DO 20 L=1.M				
0017		IF(L.EQ. [] GO	f O 20			
0018		DX(K,L)=DX(K,L)-PIVOT2*DX(I,L)			
0019	20	CONTINUE				
0020		CONTINUE				
0021	30	CONTINUE				
0022		RETURN				
0023		END				

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0001
                   SUBROUTINEPLOT (X, XMIN, XMAX, LX, Y, YMIN, YMAX, LY, Z, ZMIN, ZMAX, LZ, NPT,
                  INPLCT, NCCPY, NCD, NDIM)
               THIS GENERAL PLOTTING SUBROUTINE WAS WRITTEN BY E. J. KOBETICH
               DEPT OF PHYSICS, KANSAS STATE UNIV, MANHATTAN, KANSAS.
               X. Y. AND Z ARE SINGLE SUBSCRIPTED VARIABLES IDENTIFYING THE
               COORDINATES OF THE POINTS TO BE PLOTTED. XMIN, YMIN, AND ZMIN ARE
                              THE MINIMUM VALUES, AND XMAX, YMAX, AND ZMAX CORRESPOND
               TO THE MAXIMUM VALUES ON THE X. Y. AND Z AXES. LX. LY. AND LZ
               DEFINE THE TYPE OF SCALE USED ALONG THE X, Y, AND Z AXES AS FOLLOWS-
               OZLINEARS, 180NE CYCLE LOGS, 28THO CYCLE LOGS, ETC.
               NPT IS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS TO BE PLOTTED. NPLOT IS THE NO OF
               TWO DIMENSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS #CURVES< WHICH ARE TO BE PLOTTED. THE
               MAXIMUM VALUE IS 40. NCGPY IS THE NO OF PLOTS TO BE PRINTED.
               NCD DETERMINES THE NO OF INFORMATION CARDS TO BE READ BY THIS SUB-
               PROGRAM-- OWNO CARDS READS, 1%CARD ONE IS READS, 2%CARD TWO IS READS,
               3%BOTH CARD ONE AND CARD TWO ARE READ<. NDIM IS THE DIMENSIONALITY
               OF THE FUNCTION TO BE PLOTTED. IF NDIM#3 TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING OF A
            C 3-DIMENSICNAL SURFACE ONTO THE X-Y PLANE OCCURS.
                  DIMENSION X(1), Y(1), Z(1), SX(13), TITLE(20), L(134), NCH(41), MOP(18),
0002
                 1TAB1(18)
0003
                   JREAD5 =5
0004
                   JRITE6=6
0005
                1 FORMAT (20A4)
0006
                2 FORMAT(80A1)
0007
                3 FORMAT(1H1, 26X, 20A4)
0008
                4 FORMAT(1H ,A1,1PE9.2 ,121A1)
0009
                5 FORMAT(132A1)
                6 FORMAT(8X, 1PE9.2, 11(1X, 1PE9.2))
0010
0011
                7 FORMAT(1PE17.2,E116.2)
0012
                8 FORMAT(1PE17.2.E61.2.E55.2)
0013
                9 FORMAT (1PE17.2, 2E40.2, E36.2)
0014
               10 FORMAT(1PE17.2,3E30.2,E26.2)
0015
               11 FORMAT(1PE17.2,4E24.2,E20.2)
0016
               12 FORMAT (1HK, 62X, 18A1)
0017
                  LLX=LX+1
0018
                  NDD=NCD+1
0019
                  GO TO(15,13,14,13),NDD
               13 READ(JREAD5,1) (TITLE(I), I=1,20)
0020
0021
                   WRITE(JRITE6,3) (TITLE(I), I=1,20)
               14 IF(NDD.GE.3)READ(JREAD5.2) (MOP(I), I=1.18), (NCH(I), I=1.40),
0022
                 1(TAB1(I), I=1,18),ND,NP,NM,NB
0023
               15 NCH(41)=NB
0024
                  NPN=NPT/NPLOT
0025
                  IF(LX.GT.O) GO TO 17
0026
             1717 CX=120./(XMAX-XMIN)
0027
                  SX(1)=XMIN
0028
                  SX(13)=XMAX
0029
                  U=XMIN
                  DO 16 K=2.12
0030
0031
                  U=(XMAX-XMIN)/12.+U
0032
               16 SX(K)=U
0033
                  GO TO 19
               17 XLX=LX
0034
0035
                  CX=120./XLX
0036
                  NX=ALOGIO(XMIN)
0037
                  DO 18 K=1.LLX
0038
               18 SX(K) = 10.**(NX+K-1)
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19 CALLPOT(X,XMIN,LX,NPT,0,120.,CX)

GO TO 36

DO 35 J=13,133,KX

34 KX=120/LX

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0001	SUBROU	TINEPOT(V,VMIN,LV,NP,J,VC	.C)		
C002		(ON V(1)			
0003	IF(LV.				
0004	22 DO 1 I	=1.NP			
0005	1 V(I)=F	LOAT([FIX(C*(V(I)-VMIN)+-	5))		
0006	GO TO				
0007	2 DO 3 I	=1.NP			
8000	3 V(I)=F	DAT(IFIX(C*(ALOG(V(I)/VM	IN)/2.302585)+.5))		
0009	4 IF(J.G				
0010	77 DO 6 I	=1 • NP			
0011	IF(V(I	1.LT.O.) GO TO 5			
0012	55 IF(V(I).LE.VC) GD TO 6			
0013	5 V(I)=V	+1.			
0014	6 CONTIN	JE			
0015	7 RETURN				
C016	END				

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