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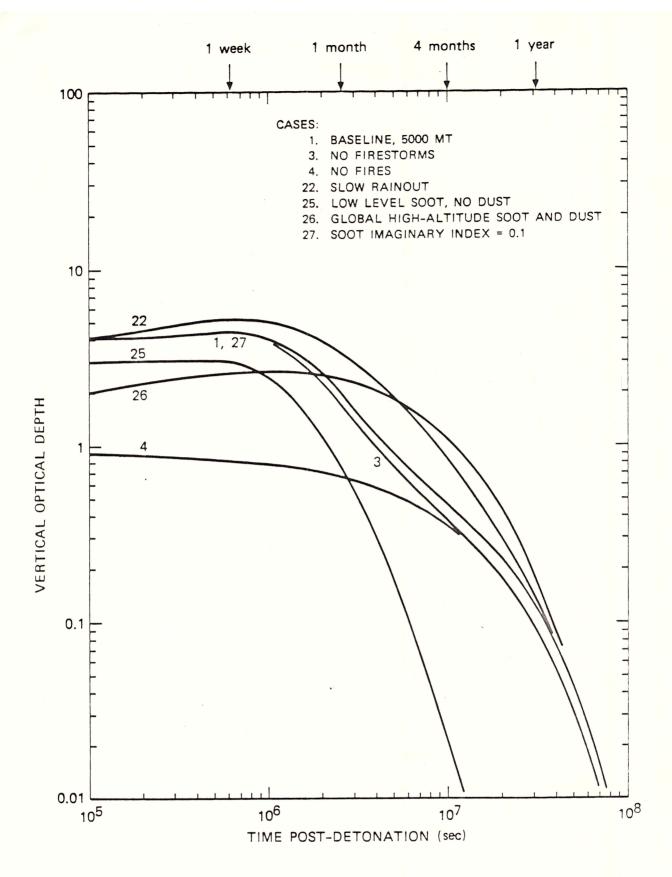


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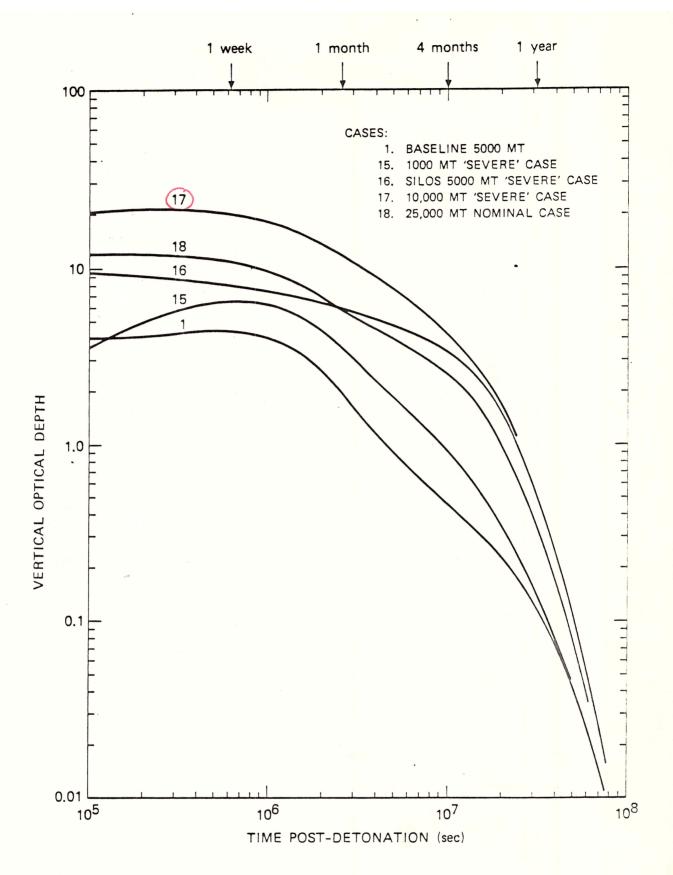


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FIGURE CAPTIONS

- 1. Time-dependent hemispherically-averaged vertical optical depths (scattering plus absorption) of nuclear dust and smoke clouds at 550 nm wavelength. Optical depths < 0.1 are negligible, ~1 are significant, and ~10 imply possible major consequences. The transmission of sunlight becomes highly nonlinear at optical depths ≥ 1. Results are given for several of the scenarios listed in Table 1. Calculated optical depths for the expanding El Chichon eruption cloud are offered for comparison (53).</p>
- 2. Hemispherically-averaged surface temperature variations following a nuclear exchange. Results are shown for several of the scenarios in Table 1. (Note the linear timescale, unlike that in Figure 1). The temperatures generally apply to the interior of continental land masses. Only in Cases 4 and 11, are the effects of fires neglected.
- 3. Northern Hemisphere troposphere and stratosphere temperature perturbations in K (1K = 1° C) following the baseline nuclear exchange (Case 1). The cross-hatched area indicates cooling. Ambient pressure levels in millibars are also given.
- 4. Solar energy fluxes at the ground over the Northern Hemisphere in the aftermath of a nuclear exchange. Results are given for several of the scenarios in Table 1. (Note the linear timescale.) The solar fluxes are averaged over the diurnal cycle and over the hemisphere. Cases 4 and 16 neglect fires. Also indicated on the figure are the approximate flux levels at

- which photosynthesis cannot keep pace with plant respiration (compensation point), and at which photosynthesis ceases. These limits vary for different species.
- 5. Time-dependent vertical optical depths (absorption plus scattering at 550 nm) of nuclear smoke clouds, in a sensitivity analysis. The optical depths are average values for the Northern Hemisphere. All cases shown correspond to parameter variations of the baseline model and all include dust appropriate to that case (Case 1): 3, no firestorms; 4, no fires; 22, smoke rainout rate decreased by a factor of 3; 25, smoke initially confined to the lowest 3 km of the atmosphere; 26, smoke initially distributed between 13 and 19 km over the entire globe; 27, smoke imaginary part of refractive index reduced from 0.3 to 0.1. For comparison, in Case 4, only dust from the baseline model is considered (fires are ignored).
- 6. Time-dependent vertical optical depths (absorption plus scattering at 550 nm) for enhanced cases of explosion yield or nuclear dust and smoke production. The conditions are detailed elsewhere (15). The weapon yield inventories are identical to the nominal cases of the same total yield described in Table 1 (Cases 16 and 18 are listed there). The "severe" cases generally include a sixfold increase in the fine dust injection, and a doubling of the smoke emission. In Cases 15, 17 and 18, smoke causes most of the opacity during the first 1-2 months. In Cases 17 and 18, dust makes a major contribution to the optical effects beyond 1-2 months. In Case 16, fires are neglected and dust from surface bursts produces all of the opacity.