

State-to-state reactive and inelastic collisions involving hydrides

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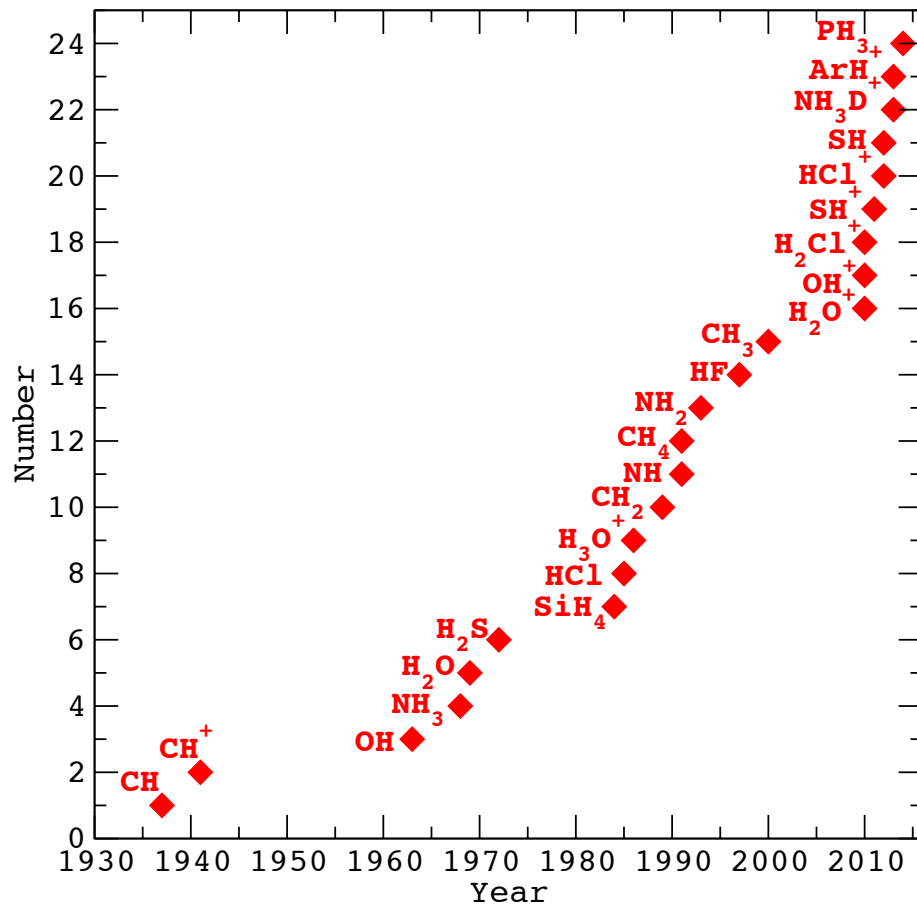
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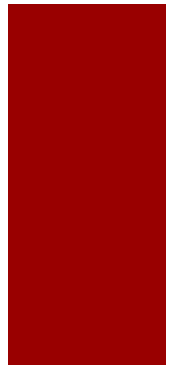
The hydride toolbox, Paris, 12-15 December 2016

Motivation

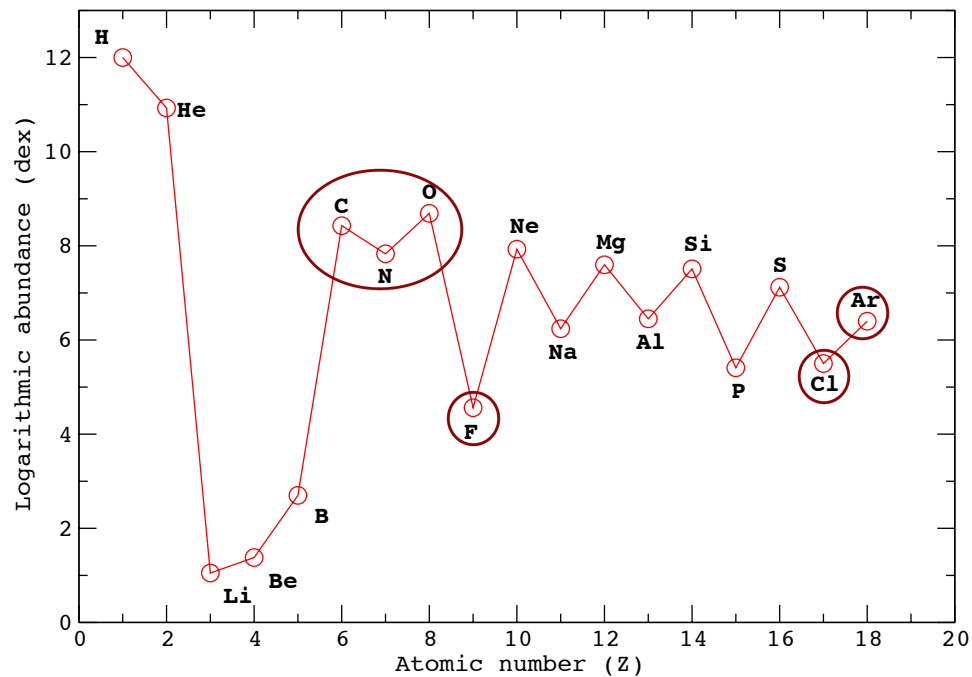


Interstellar and circumstellar hydrides,
from <http://www.astrochymist.org/>

- Hydrides have high critical densities ($>10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$)
- « Sub-thermal » excitation is the rule
- State-specific reactive processes compete with energy transfer processes



Outline



Solar photospheric abundances
Adapted from Asplund et al. ARAA 47 581 (2009)

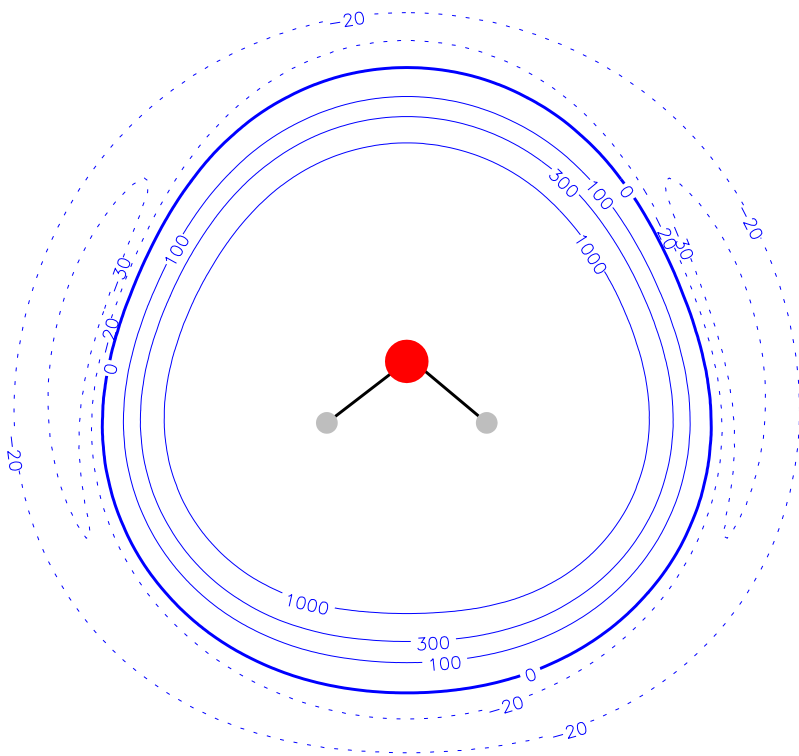
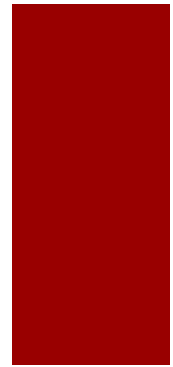
- Carbon
 - CH⁺, CH
- Nitrogen
 - NH₂, NH₃
- Oxygen
 - H₂O, OH, OH⁺
- Halogen
 - HCl
- Noble gas
 - ArH⁺

Colliders in the ISM



- **He** can be important but never dominant
- **H₂** most important in well-shielded molecular clouds
- **H** important behind dissociative shock fronts and PDRs
- **e⁻** important in PDRs, especially for polar species

Molecular energy transfer



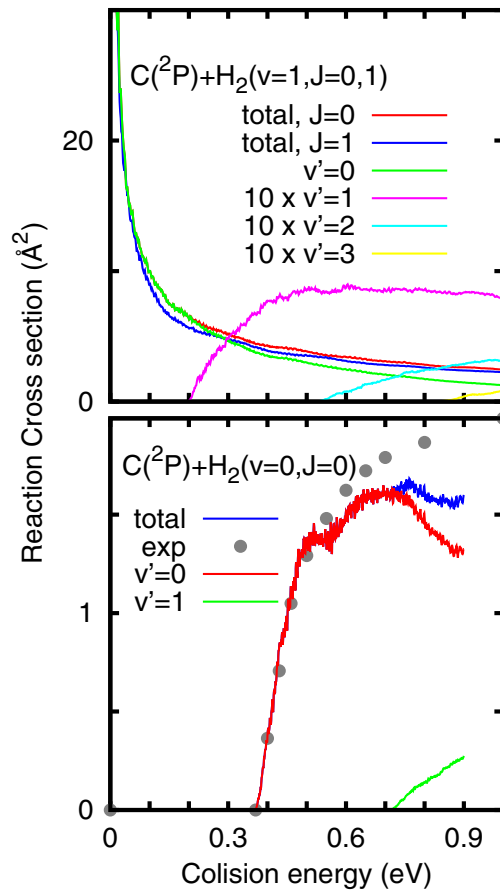
The H₂O-H₂ potential energy surface

- Scattering theory (BO approximation)
 - Electronic Schrödinger equation
 - Nuclei dynamics
- Experiment
 - Crossed molecular beams
 - Double resonance technique
 - Ion trap experiments



Carbon

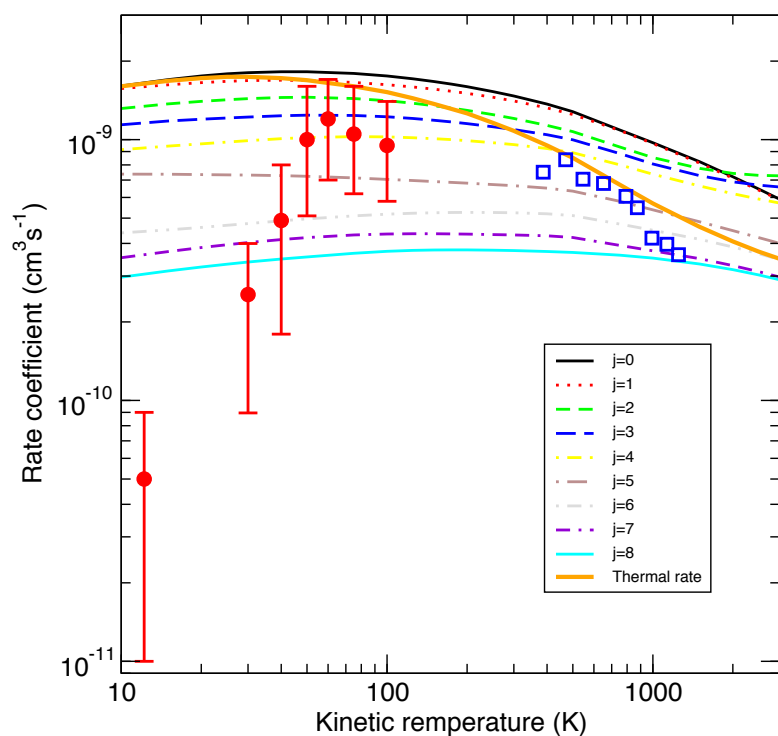
CH⁺ formation



Zanchet et al. ApJ (2013)

- Endothermic with H₂(v=0)
- Wavepacket calculations by Roncero's group, in agreement with measurements with H₂ in v=0 and v=1
- CH⁺ is formed rotationally hot, with a broad rotational distribution

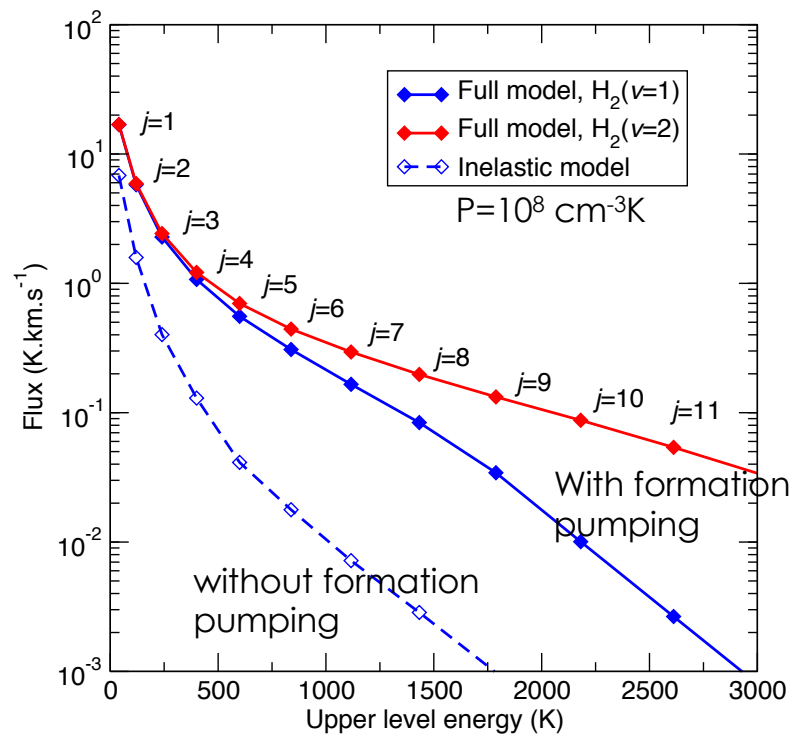
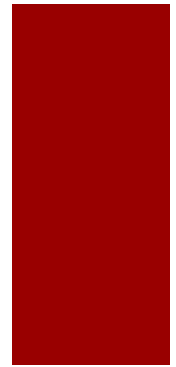
CH⁺ destruction



- QCT and quantum calculations by Halvick and coworkers
- Measurements by Plasil et al. (2013), in contradiction with theory at $T < 50\text{K}$
- Electron-impact dissociative recombination: see talk by Ioan Schneider

Werfelli et al. *J Chem Phys* 143 114304 (2015)
Faure et al. to be submitted

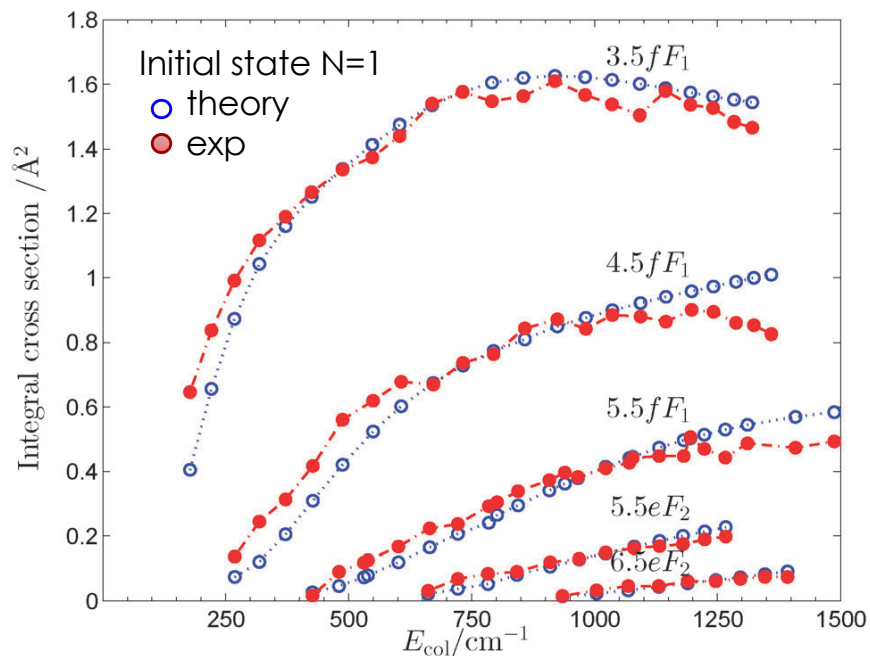
CH⁺ emission in PDRs



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- Formation pumping is crucial for short-lived species (Black 1998, Godard & Cernicharo 2013)
- High- j transitions ($j \geq 2$) are pumped by $C^+ + H_2(v > 0)$
- See talk by Anna Parikka

CH excitation



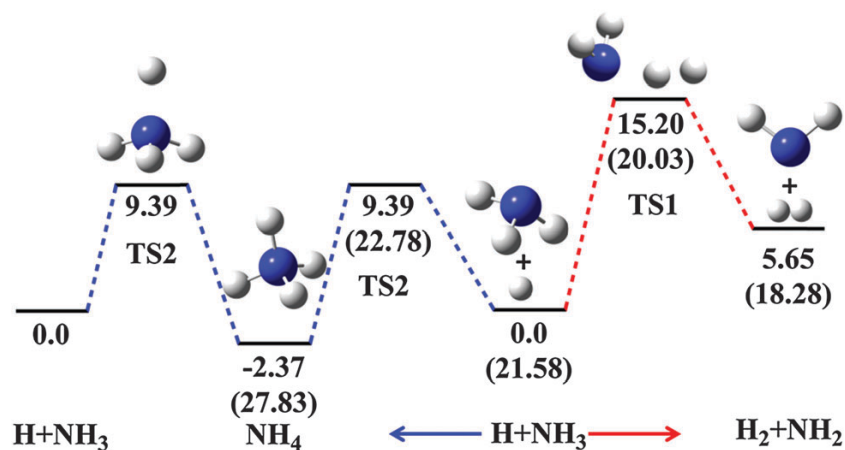
Marinakis et al. *Phys Chem Chem Phys* (2015)

- Experiments by McDonald & Liu (1989, 1990) on CH-He, CH-H₂, CH-D₂
- Propensity rules due to parity and symmetry properties of Λ -doublets
- Collisions with H₂ can form (CH₃)^{*}. Quantum statistical calculations performed by Dagdigan (2016)



Nitrogen

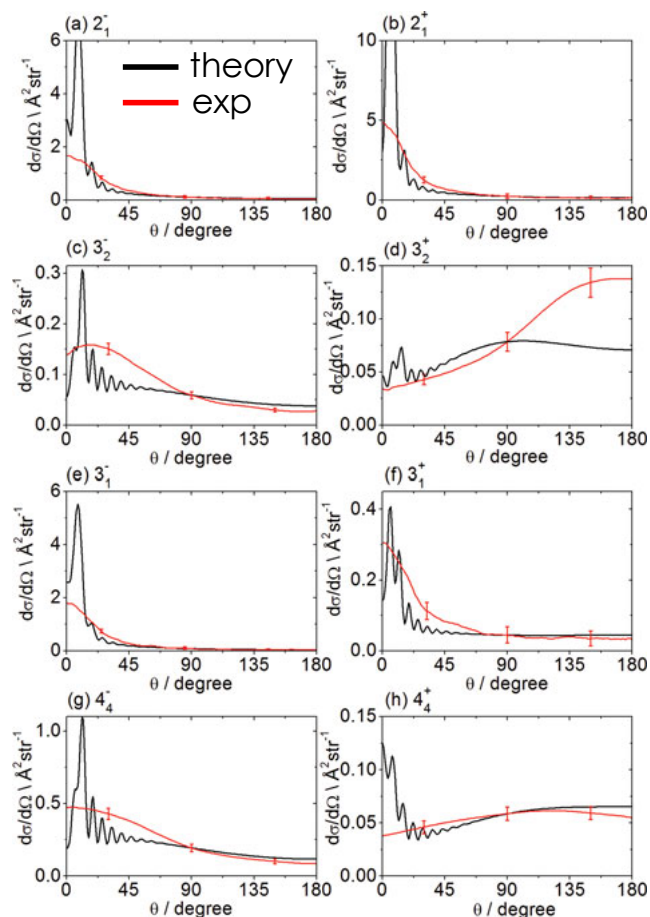
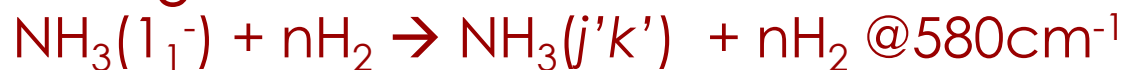
NH₂ excitation



- The exothermic reactive channel ($\text{NH}_3 + \text{H}$) has a barrier of 4800K
- The full-dimensional PES was adapted for rigid-rotor calculations
- Transitions with $\Delta k_c = 0$ favored, in contrast to radiative selection rules

Li & Guo *Phys Chem Chem Phys* (2014)
Bouhafs et al. submitted to *J Chem Phys*

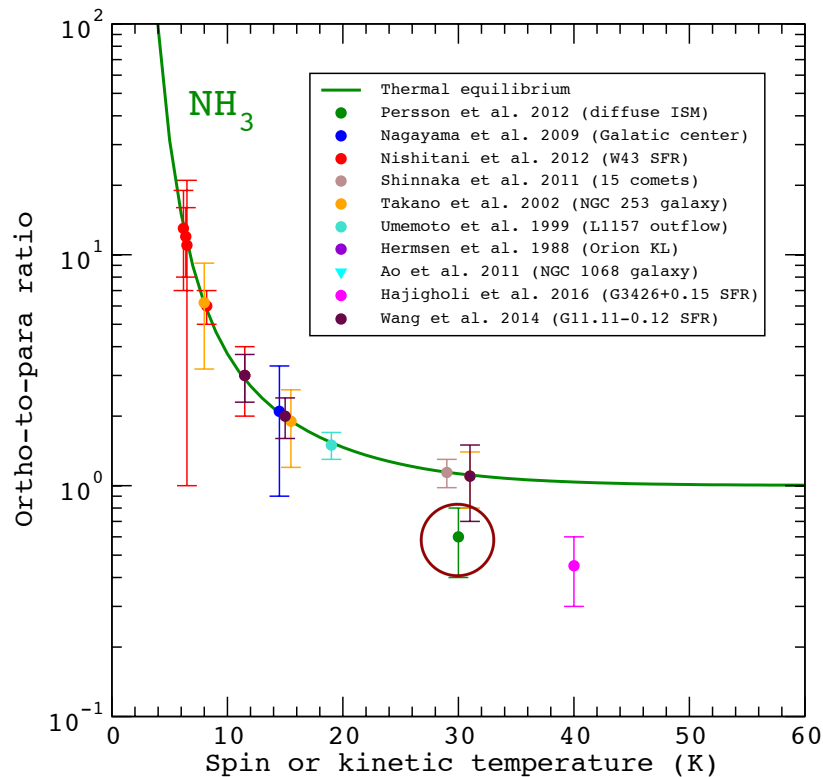
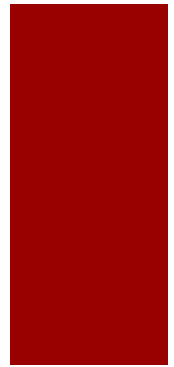
NH₃ excitation



Tkac et al. Mol. Phys. (2015)

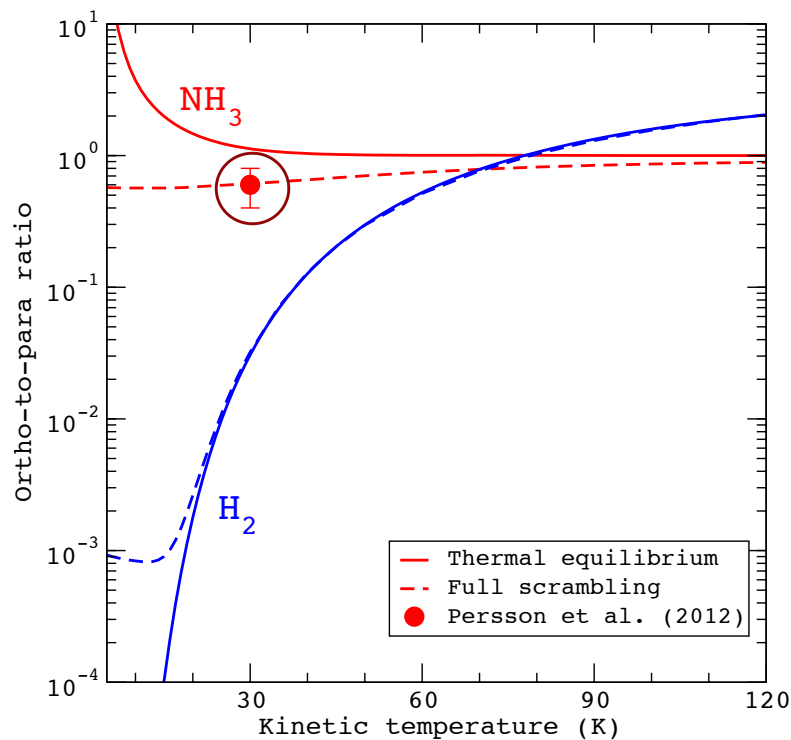
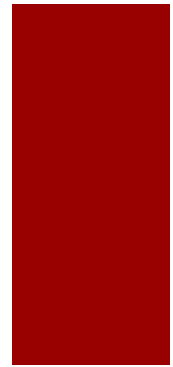
- Differential cross sections measured in crossed molecular beams
- The good agreements with theory provide a crucial test of the NH₃-H₂ PES of Maret et al. (2009)
- Full set of new data for NH₃-H₂ and NH₃-H available soon (Rist et al. to be submitted)

NH₃ ortho-to-para ratio



- Ortho-to-para ratios (OPR) can be related to a *formation* temperature
- Anomalous OPR for NH₃ (<1) measured with Herschel (Persson et al. 2012)
- Is the deficit of oNH₃ due to nuclear-spin chemistry ?

NH₃ ortho-to-para ratio

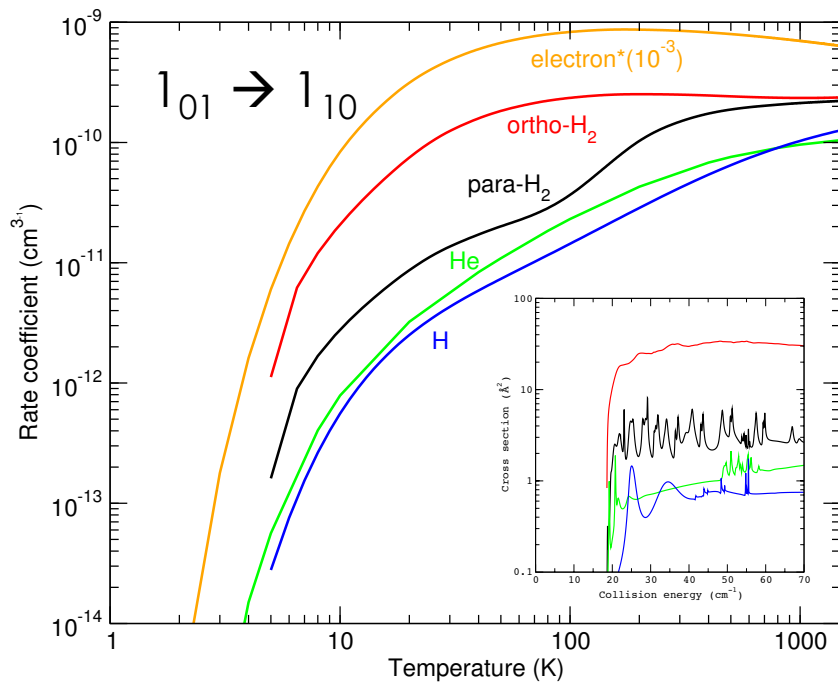
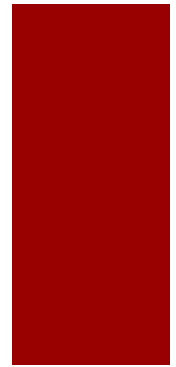


- In a pH₂ enriched gas, formation of pNH₃ is favored (Faure et al. ApJ 2013)
- This is due to nuclear-spin selection rules (Quack 1977, Oka 2004, Schmiedt et al. 2016)
- Several other hydrides expected to be sensitive to the OPR of H₂, see talk by Romane Le Gal (NH₂)



Oxygen

H₂O excitation



*Faure et al. (2004); Yang et al. (2013);
Daniel et al. (2011); Daniel et al. (2015)*

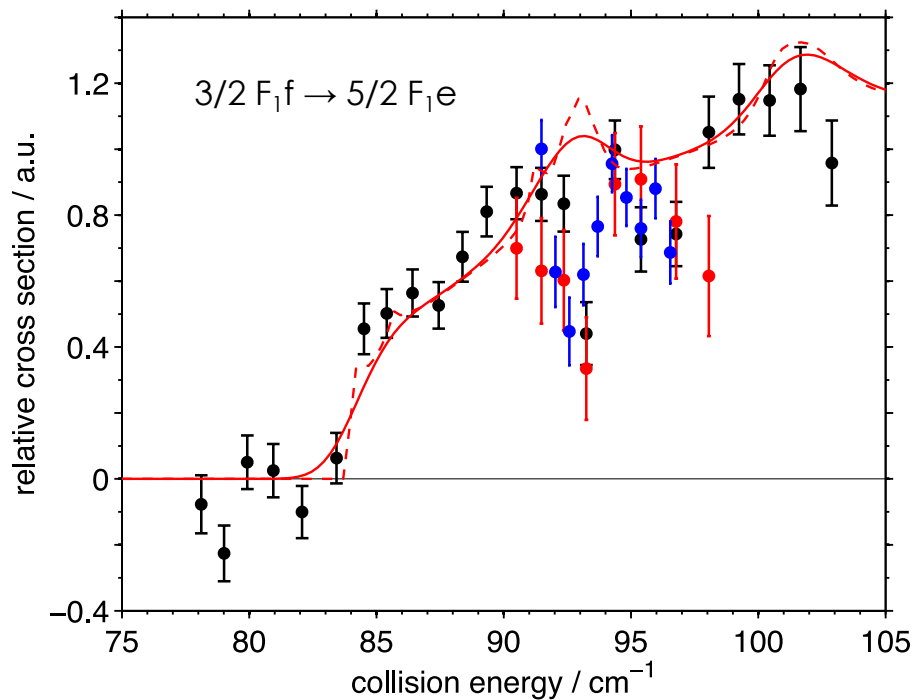
- Water has been extensively studied in collision with He, H, H₂ and e⁻
- No simple scaling relationship between the various colliders
- High energy scattering is dominated by kinematics (rather than features of the PES)

H₂O excitation



- The H₂O-H₂ PES of Valiron et al. (2008) was fully checked experimentally:
 - Inelastic differential cross
 - Pressure broadening
 - Elastic integral cross sections
 - Spectrum of the complex
 - Second virial coefficient
 - Vibrational relaxation
- Most recent check in crossed molecular beams in Bordeaux

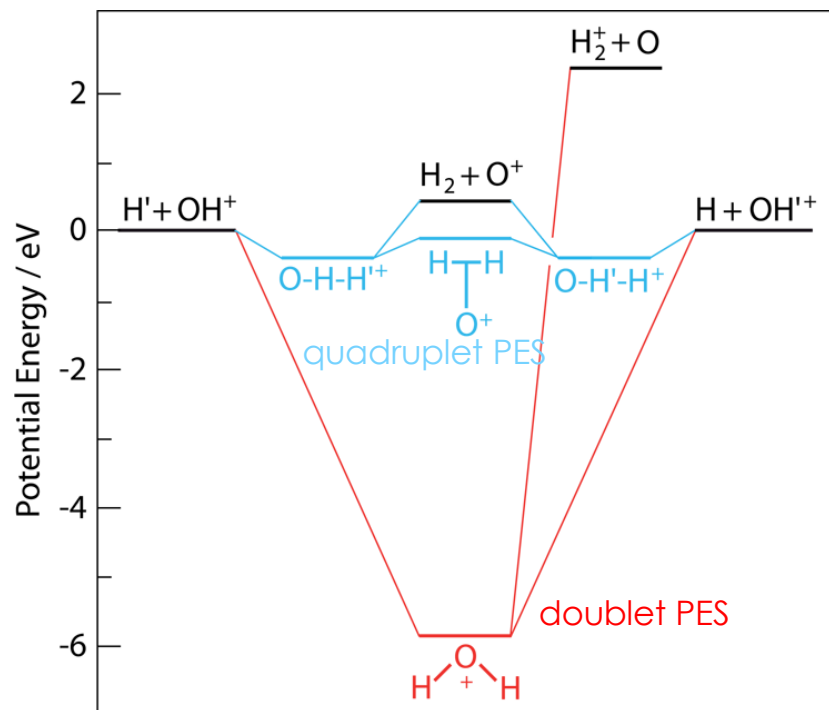
OH excitation



Schewe et al. J Chem Phys (2015)

- New OH-H₂ PESs obtained by Ma et al. (2014)
- In contrast to CH-H₂, there is no formation and decay of a collision complex
- Cross sections with pH₂ differ significantly from Offer et al. (1994)

OH⁺ excitation



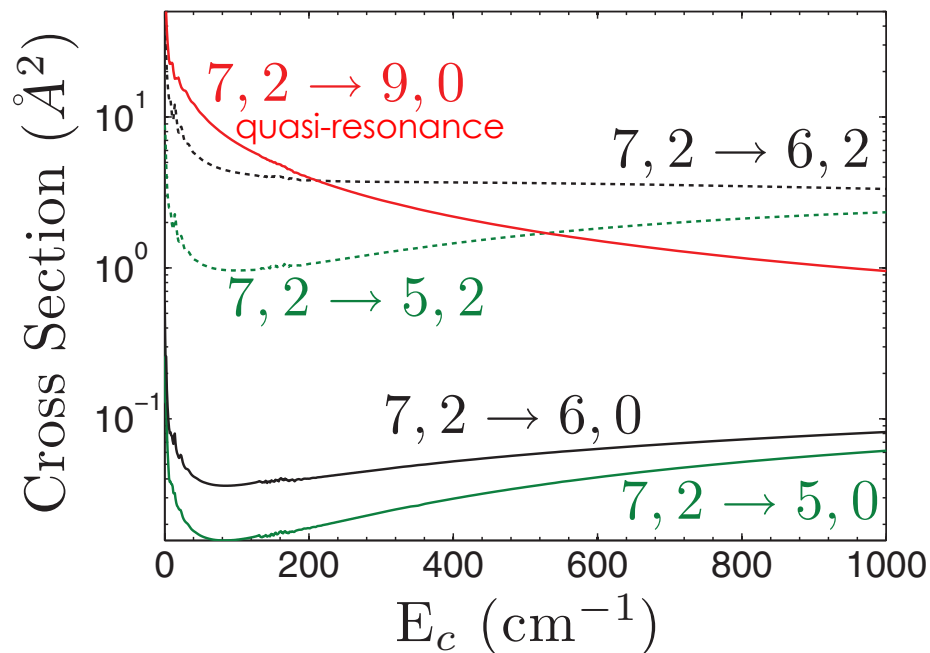
Stoecklin et al. *J Phys ChemA* (2015)

- The abstraction channel is closed, in contrast to CH⁺+H
- Rigid-rotor approximation is acceptable (Stoecklin et al. 2015), see talk by François Lique
- Electron-impact cross sections also available (van der Tak et al. 2013)



Chlorine

HCl excitation



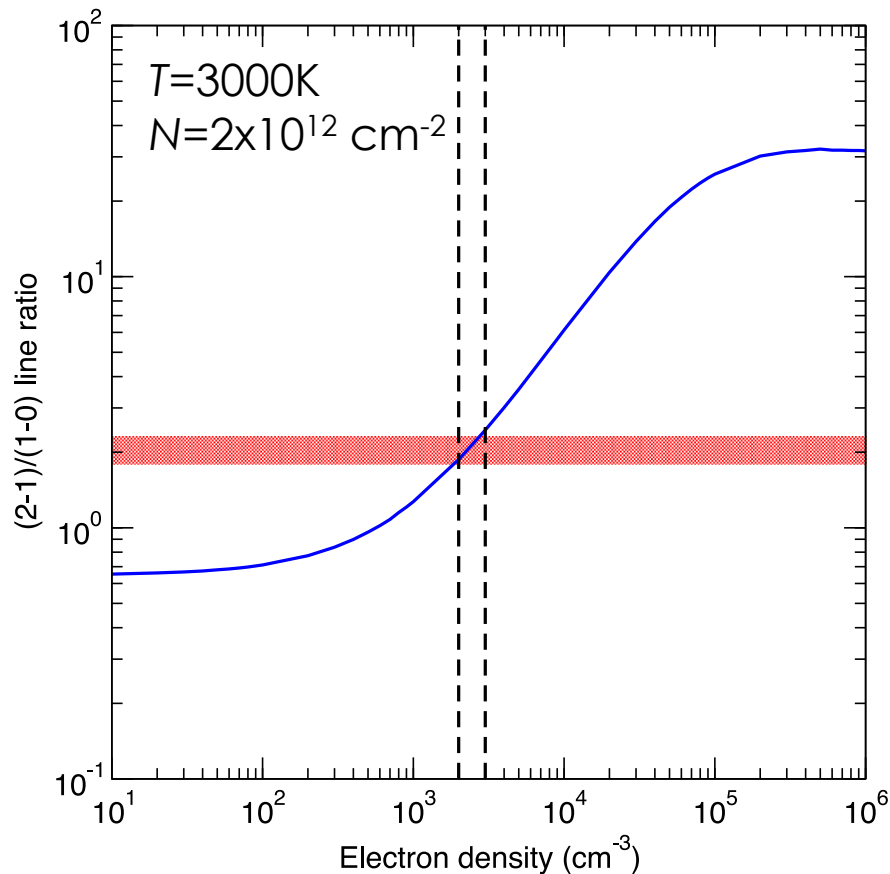
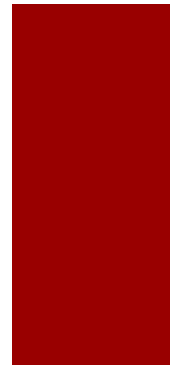
Lanza et al. *J Chem Phys* (2014)

- HCl expected to be the main reservoir of chlorine in dense gas
- Calculations with H_2 strongly differ from He, e.g. near-resonant energy transfer.
- From the detection in L1157-B1 (Codella et al. 2012) HCl is a negligible reservoir of chlorine



Argon

ArH⁺ excitation



Hamilton et al. MNRAS (2016)

- ArH⁺ first detected in the Crab nebula by Barlow et al. (2013)
- Collisions with H and H₂ can be neglected (Loh et al. 2012)
- Robust determination of electron density (in good agreement with S⁺ observations)

Summary

List of available systems

	He	H ₂	H	e ⁻
CH	X	X		
CH ₂	X			
CH ⁺	X		X	X
NH	X			
NH ₂		X		
NH ₃	X	X	X	
OH	X	X		
H ₂ O	X	X	X	X
OH ⁺	X		X	X
H ₃ O ⁺				X
SH	X			
HF	X	X		
HCl	X	X	X	X
ArH ⁺				X

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- ipag.osug.fr/Hydrides/

Conclusions

- Current calculations give an accuracy rivalling experiment
- Excitation of hydrides is strongly sensitive to the collider (He, pH₂, oH₂, e⁻)
- State-to-state formation rates are becoming available
- Nuclear spin selection rules are crucial to model o/p ratios

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