



Collisional radiative modelling of H₂ with Yacora and steps needed for D₂

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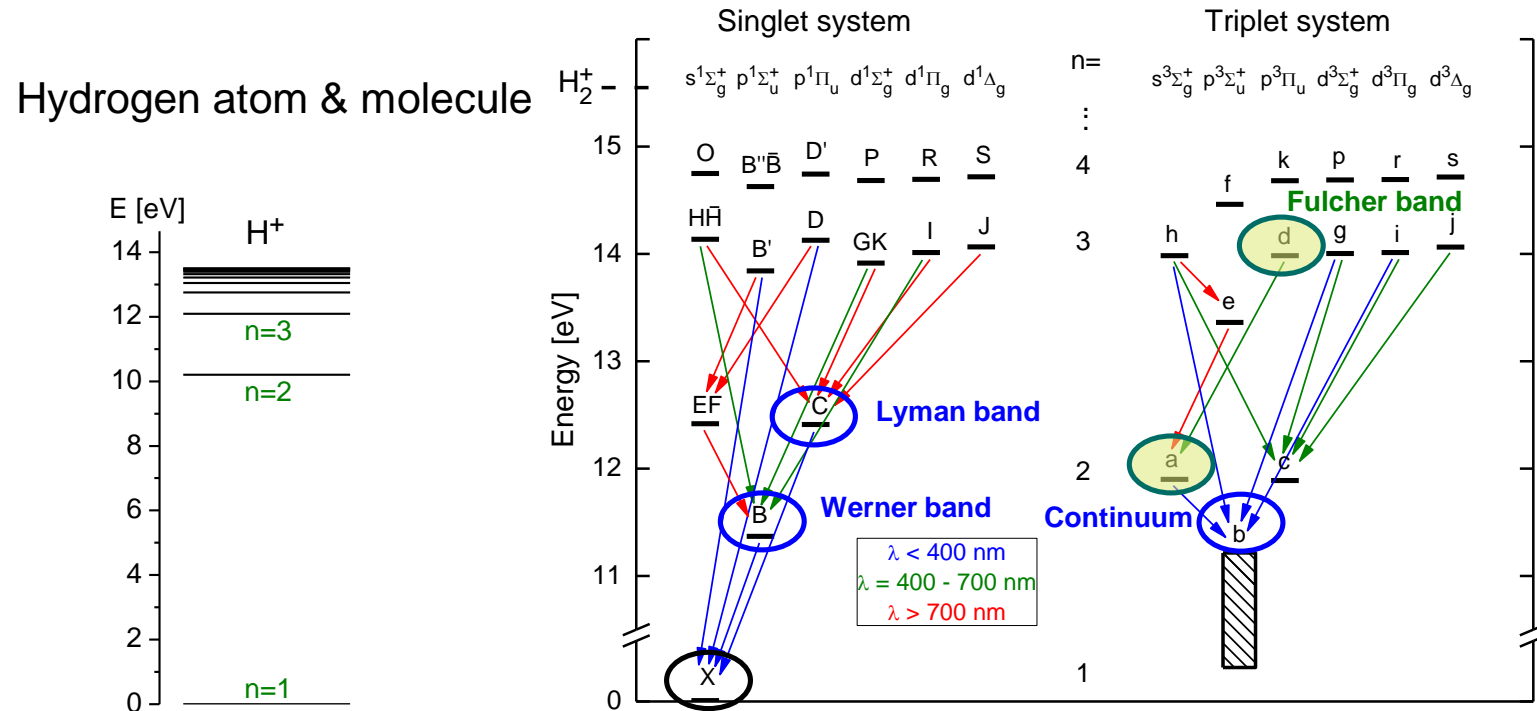
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Collisional radiative (CR) modelling for hydrogen plasmas

Population density of excited state p

$$\frac{dn_p}{dt} = n_e \left[\underbrace{n_X X_{Xp}(T_e)}_{\text{direct excitation}} + \underbrace{\sum_{q < p} n_q X_{qp}(T_e)}_{\text{stepwise exc.}} + \underbrace{\sum_{q > p} n_q X_{qp}(T_e)}_{\text{coll. cascades}} + \underbrace{\sum_{q > p} n_q A_{qp}}_{\text{rad. cascades}} \right] - n_e \left[\underbrace{\sum_{q < p} n_p X_{pq}(T_e)}_{\text{down coll.}} + \underbrace{\sum_{q > p} n_p X_{pq}(T_e)}_{\text{up coll.}} + \underbrace{\sum_{p > q} n_p A_{pq}}_{\text{radiation}} + \underbrace{\sum_i n_i n_p X_{i,loss}(T_e)}_{\text{further losses}} \right]$$



Set of ordinary differential equations
→ flexible solver Yacora

Quality of results correlates with
accuracy of reaction probabilities

Status 2014:

Yacora-H: based on ADAS data
Yacora-H2: electronically resolved,
based on Janev and Miles data
and Yacora-H2(X1,v)

2019 → YOTW (Yacora on the Web)

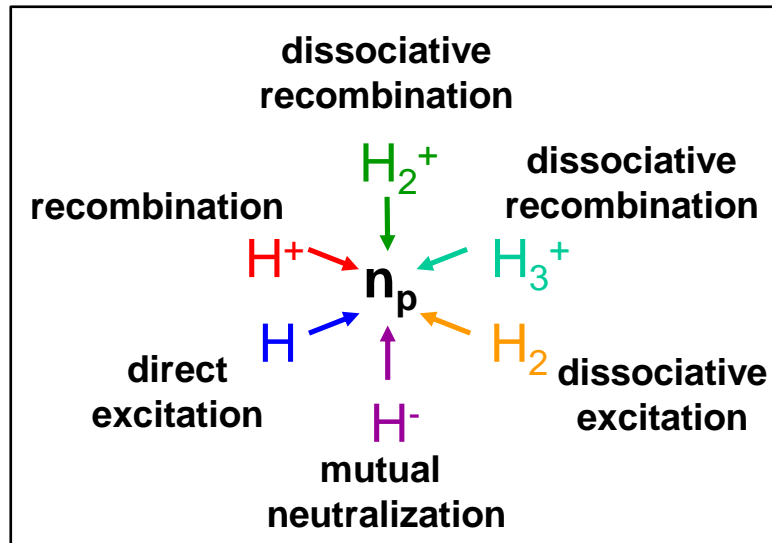
Wunderlich et al.: JQSRT 240 (2020) 106695



Extended model for atomic hydrogen – Coupling to other species

Ionising and recombining plasma regions & ion-ion plasma

Requires coupling to all hydrogen species in a CR model

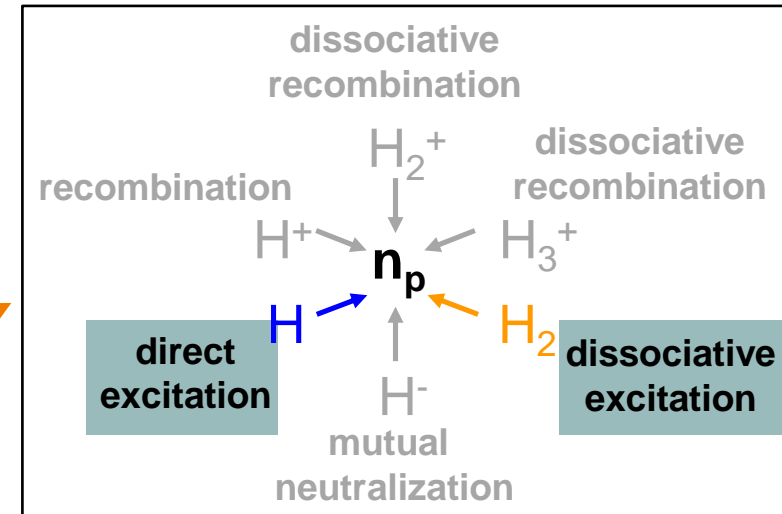


CR model: Yacora H

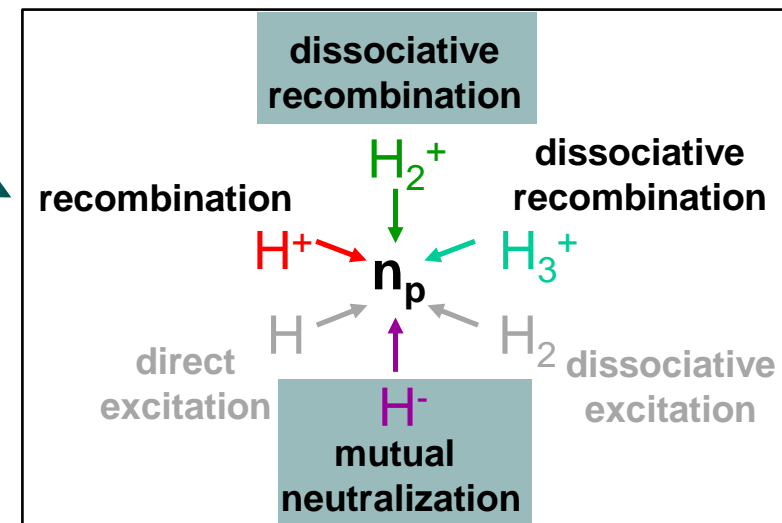
Wunderlich et al. Atoms. 4 (2016)26

Yacora on the Web: www.yacora.de

Ionizing plasma



Recombining plasma

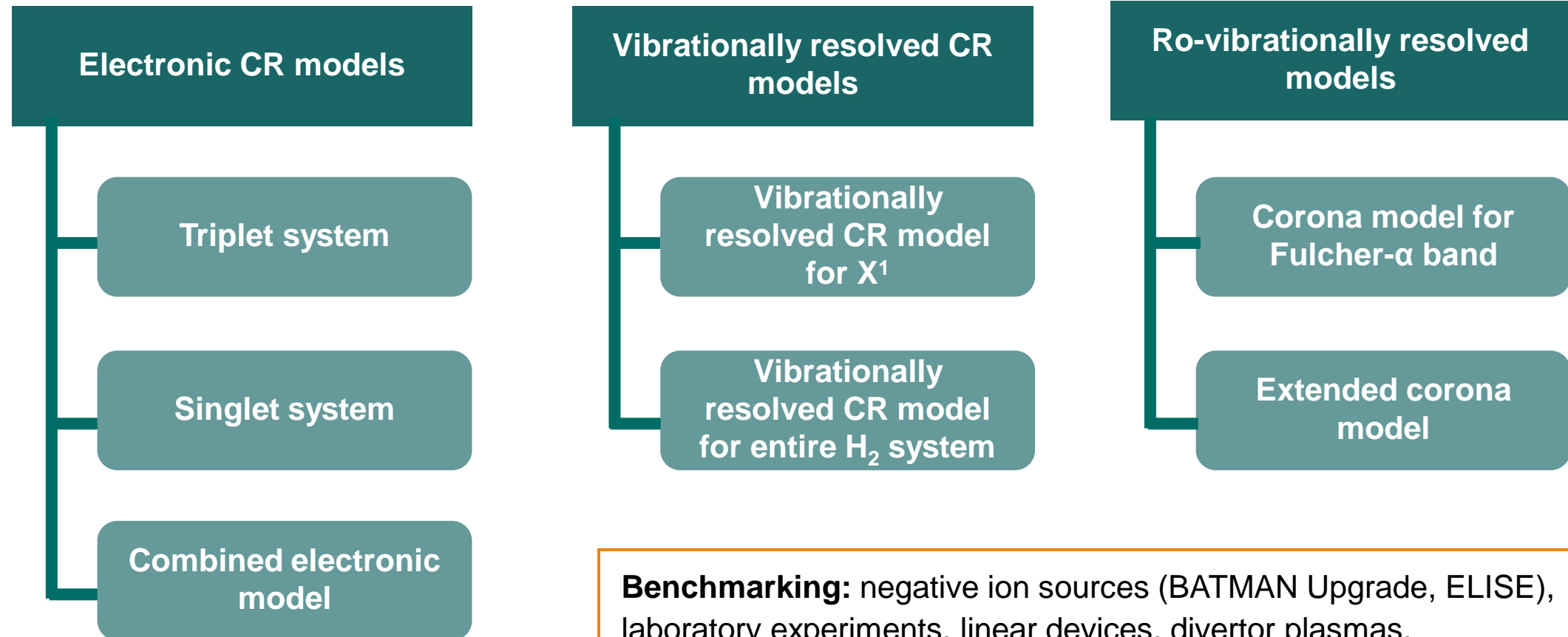




2024: The Yacora family

Towards a (ro-) vibrationally resolved CR model for (entire) H₂ system

Richard Bergmayr, PhD thesis in preparation

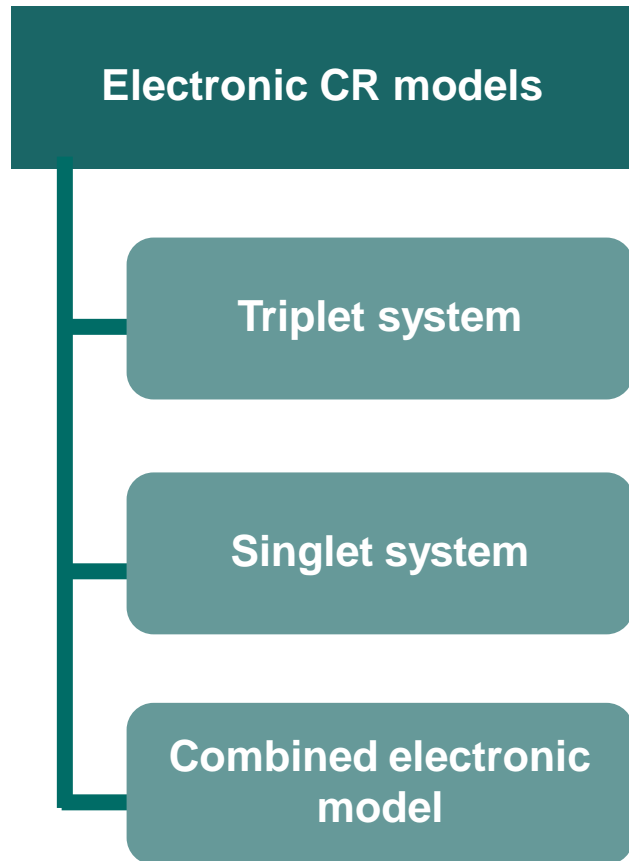


Benchmarking: negative ion sources (BATMAN Upgrade, ELISE), laboratory experiments, linear devices, divertor plasmas, EIRENE code, SOLPS-ITER code



Improvement in the input data basis

Electronic CR models



Electron impact excitation



- 1 Miles data set: semi empiric cross sections

Miles et al, J. Appl. Phys. 43 (1972) 678

- 2 Janev: summary of measurements and calculations

Janev et al, Report JÜL-4105 (2003)

- 2 Celiberto: calculations for a few transitions, 2001.

Celiberto et al. ADNDT 77, (2001)

- 3 MCCC: molecular convergent close-coupling method in the adiabatic-nuclei formulation, fully quantum mechanical

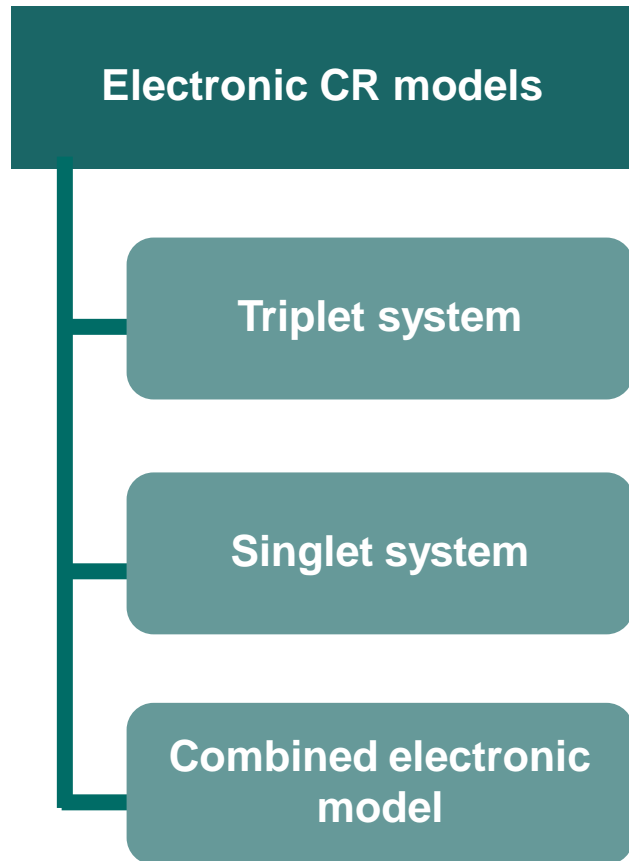
Scarlett et al, ADNDT 137 (2021) 101361

→ close collaboration with Fursa group, Curtin University, Australia

} significant inconsistencies



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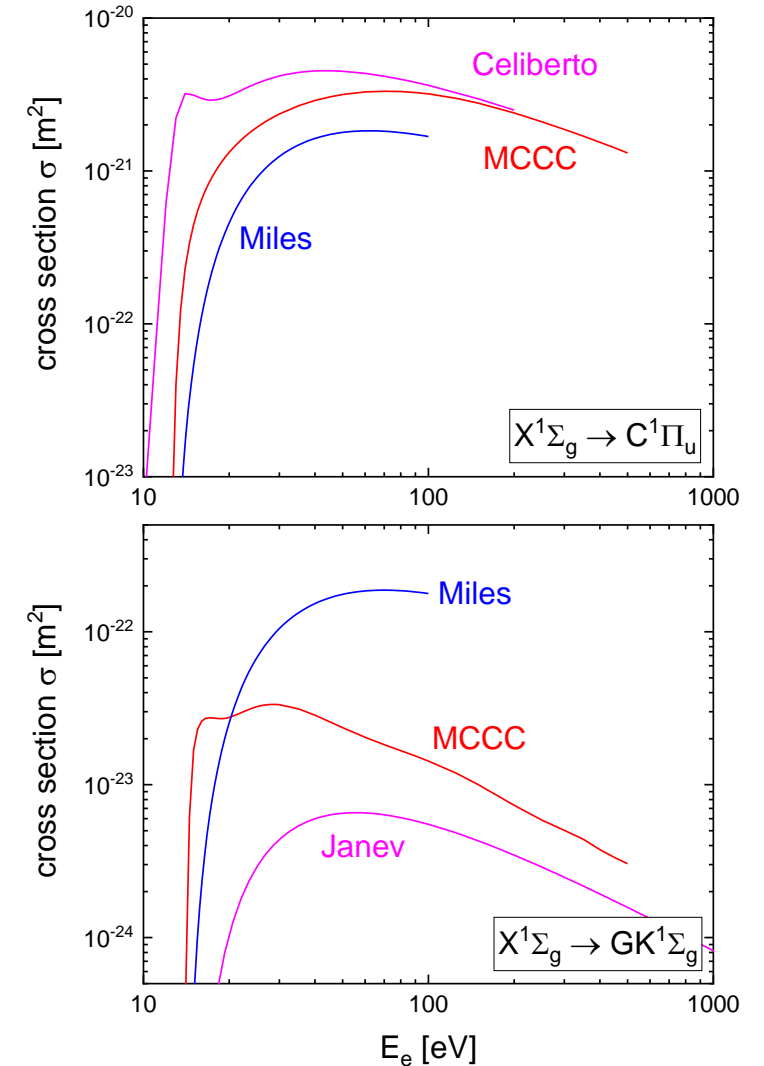
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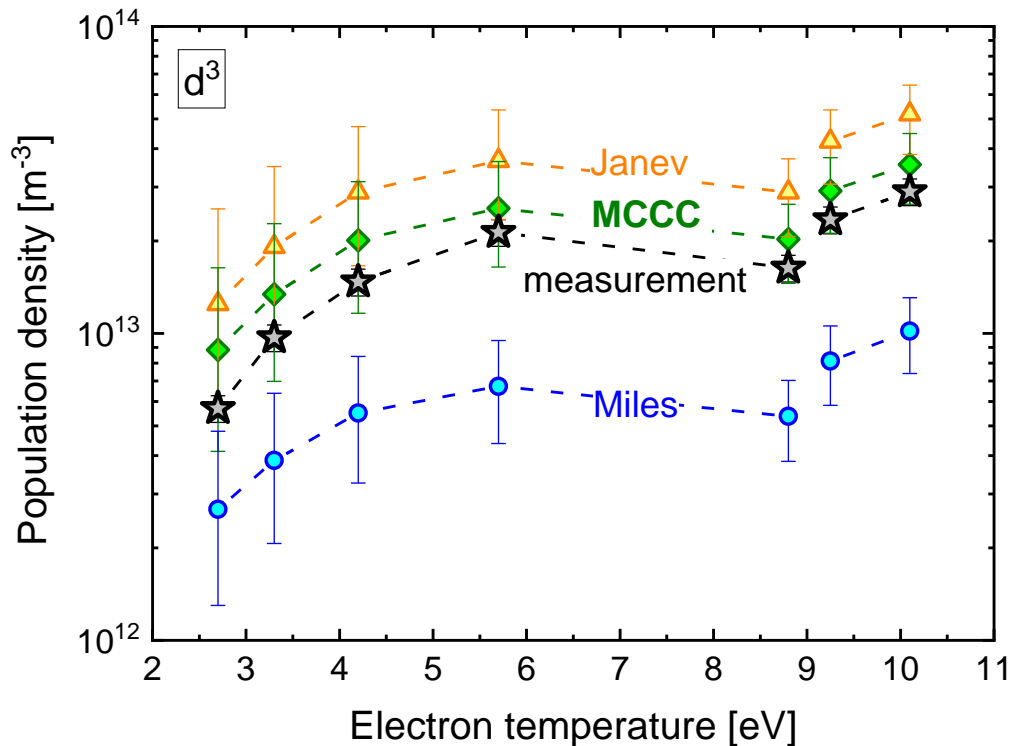
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Electronic CR models – Benchmark

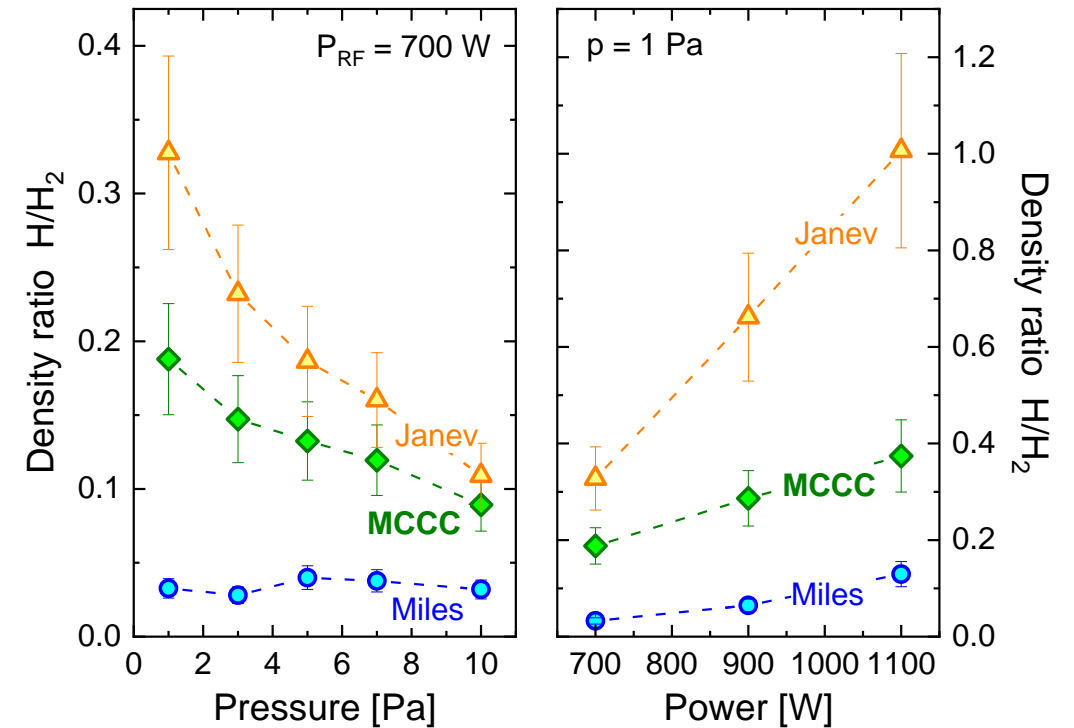
Low pressure, low-temperature lab experiment

Wunderlich et al. J. Phys. D 54 (2021) 115201

- T_e and n_e from Langmuir probe
- Electron densities $< 10^{17} \text{ m}^{-3}$



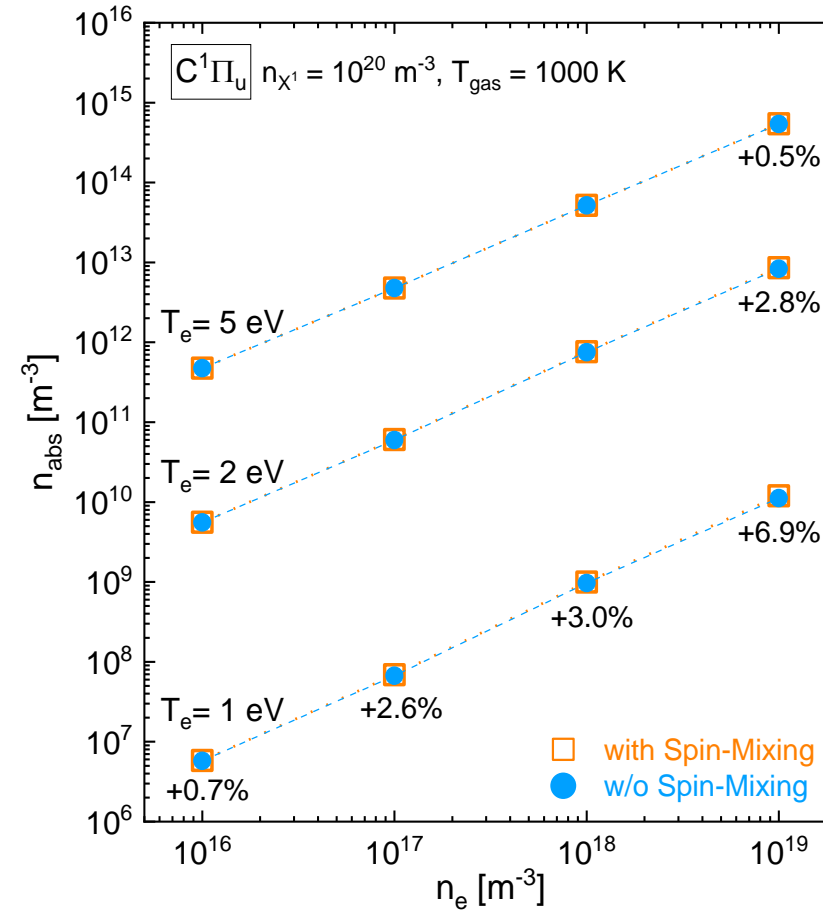
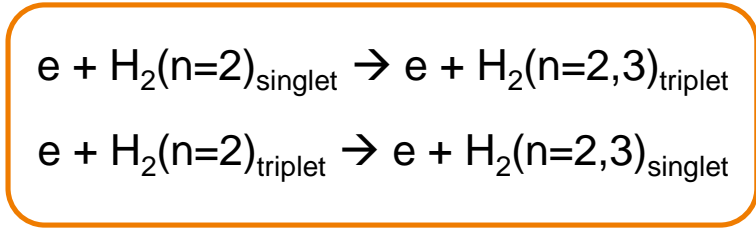
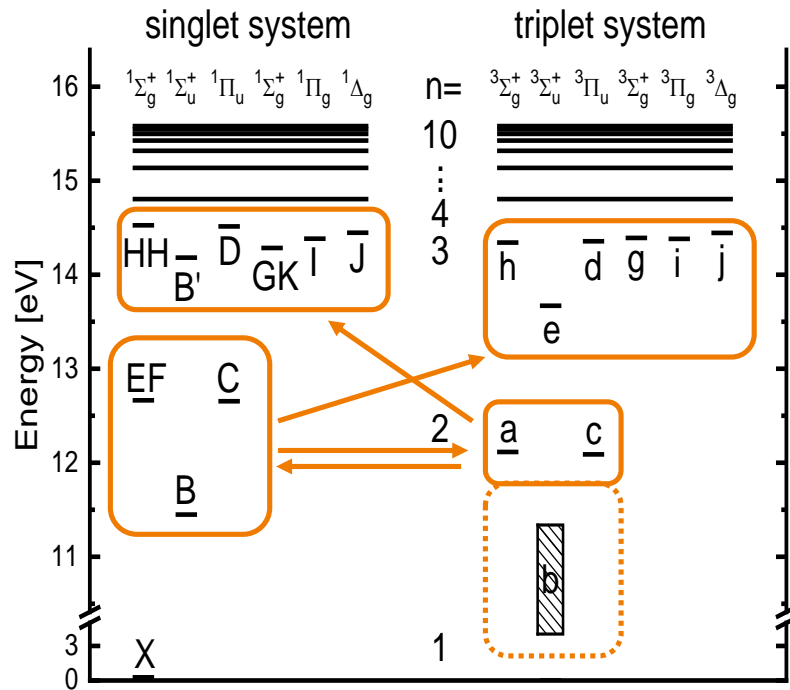
Impact of data used in the analysis on density ratio





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Electronic CR models – Spin mixing



$$\frac{(n_{\text{with}} - n_{\text{without}})}{n_{\text{without}}}$$

Influence rather small but most pronounced for low T_e and high n_e .

Use of separate electronic models (singlet and triplet) sufficient



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Vibrationally resolved CR model for $X^1 - \text{Yacora-H}_2(X^1, v)$

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Reaction		Model 2004	Model 2022
Electron Impact (De-) Excitation (EIE)	$e + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow e + \text{H}_2(v')$	Buckman 1985	replaced
Electron Impact Dissociation (EID)	$e + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow e + \text{H}_2(n>1) \rightarrow e + \text{H} + \text{H}$	Celiberto 1999	MCCC
Dissociative Attachment (DA)	$e + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{H}^-$	Bardsley 1979	Horacek 2004, Laporta
Charge Exchange (CX)	$\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{H}_2^+$	Janev 2008	replaced
Non-Dissociative Ionization (NDI)	$e + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow e + e + \text{H}_2^+$	Wunderlich 2021	no change
Radiative Recombination (RR)	$e + \text{H}_2^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2(v)$	Sawada 1995	no change
Collisional 3 Particle Recombination (C3PR)	$e + e + \text{H}_2^+ \rightarrow e + \text{H}_2(v)$	Sawada 1995	no change
Transitions via B and C	Electron Impact (De-)Excitation Spontaneous Emission	Celiberto 2001, Janev 2003 Fantz 2006	MCCC no change
Dissociative Ionization (DI)	$e + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow e + e + \text{H} + \text{H}^+$	-	✓
Proton Impact (De-) Excitation (PIE)	$\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2(v')$	-	✓
Proton Impact Dissociation (PID)	$\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H}^+ + \text{H} + \text{H}$ $\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{H}^+ + \text{H}$	-	✓
H- Associative Detachment (H-AD)	$\text{H}^- + \text{H} \rightarrow \text{H}_2(v') + e$	-	✓
Hydrogen Atom Impact Dissociation (HAID)	$\text{H} + \text{H}_2(v) \rightarrow \text{H} + 2 \text{H}$	-	✓
Hydrogen Molecule Impact Excitation (HMIE)	VT: $\text{H}_2(v) + \text{H}_2(w) \rightarrow \text{H}_2(v\pm 1) + \text{H}_2(w)$ VV: $\text{H}_2(v) + \text{H}_2(w+1) \rightarrow \text{H}_2(v+1) + \text{H}_2(w)$	-	✓
H_3^+ Dissociative Recombination (H3+DR)	$e + \text{H}_3^+ \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{H}_2(v')$	-	✓
Hydrogen Atom Impact (De-) Excitation (HAIE)	$\text{H} + \text{H}_2(v=0) \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{H}_2(v'>0)$	-	✓



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Vibrationally resolved CR model for $X^1 - \text{Yacora-H2}(X1, v)$

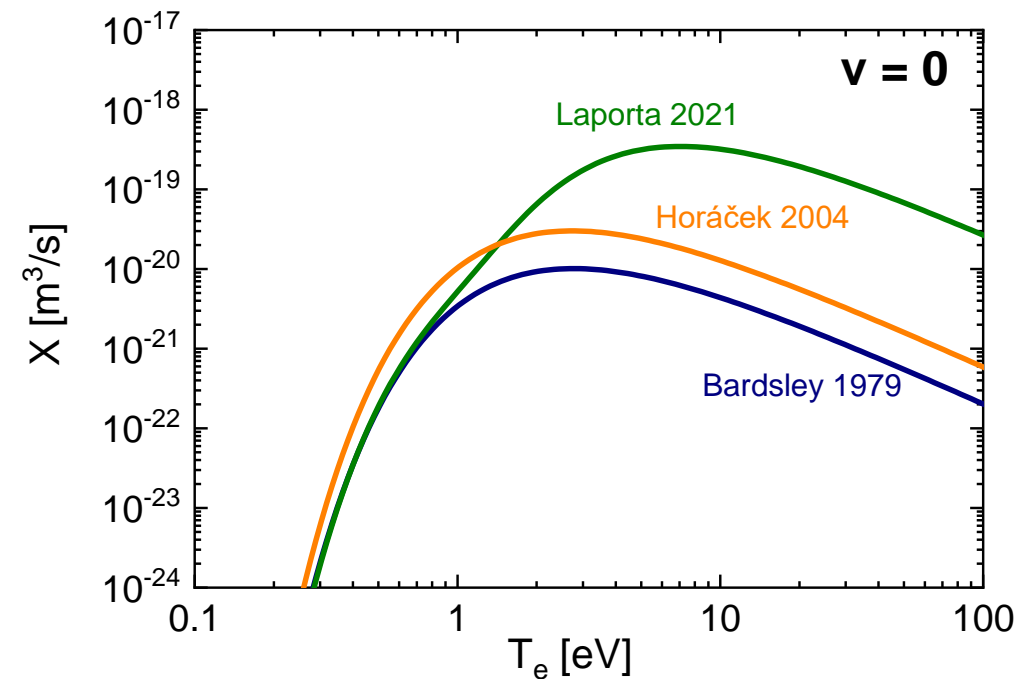
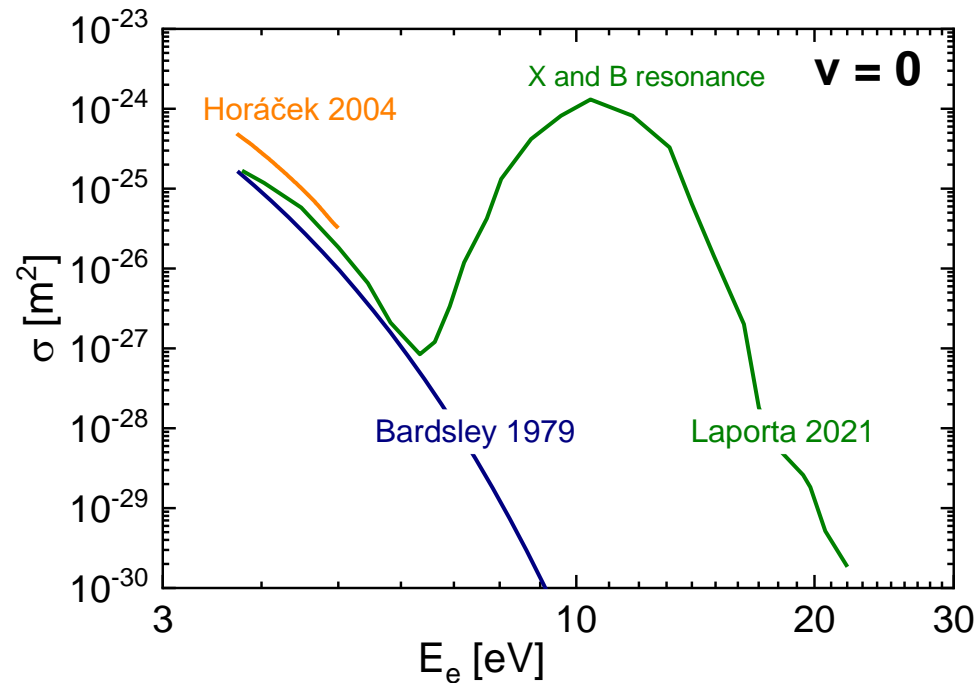
Dissociative Electron Attachment DEA

- Process can proceed via **several resonances** $\text{H}_2^-(X^2\Sigma_u^+, B^2\Sigma_g^+, C^2\Sigma_g^+)$
- Previously only channel via $\text{H}_2^-(X^2\Sigma_u^+)$ included
- Laporta 2021: consideration of other resonances

→ implementation of Horáček 2004, replaced then by Laporta data 2024 [private communication]



Bardsley and Wadehra, Phys. Rev. A 20 (1979) 1398
Horáček et. al, Phys. Rev. A 70 (2004) 052712
Laporta et al, Plasma Phys. Contr. Fus. 63 (2021) 085006

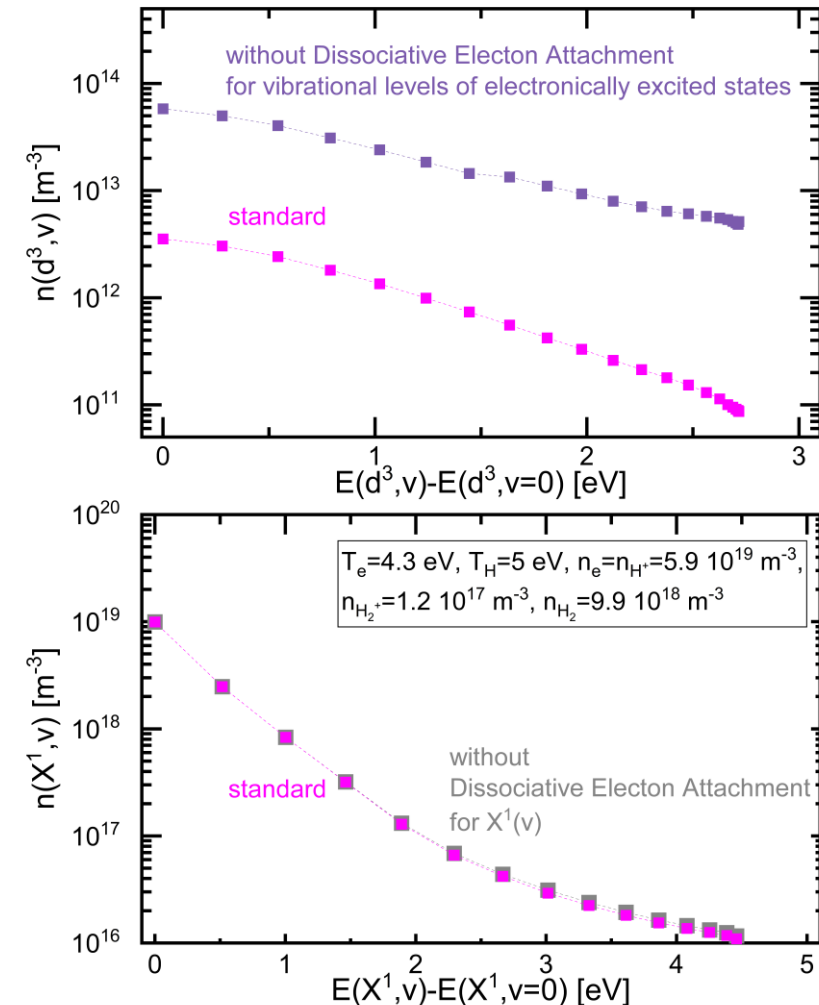


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Vibrationally resolved CR model – Yacora-H2(v)

Dissociative Electron Attachment DEA for (vibrational levels of) electronically excited states

- Studies and input data in **literature scarce!**
- Constant rate coefficients (motivated by measurements) applied
 - $X_{DEA}(n=2) = 1 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ Hiskes, Applied Physics Letters 69 (1996) 755
 - $X_{DEA}(n=3) = 6 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ Datskos et al., Phys. Rev.. A, 55 (1997) 4131
- Comparison of (d^3, v) -densities between **standard Yacora-H2(v) calculation** and **calculation without DEA for vibrational levels of electronically excited states** shows discrepancy by one order of magnitude (for given plasma parameters)
- (Preliminary) benchmarks with measurements suggest smaller but not neglectable $X_{DEA}(n=3)$



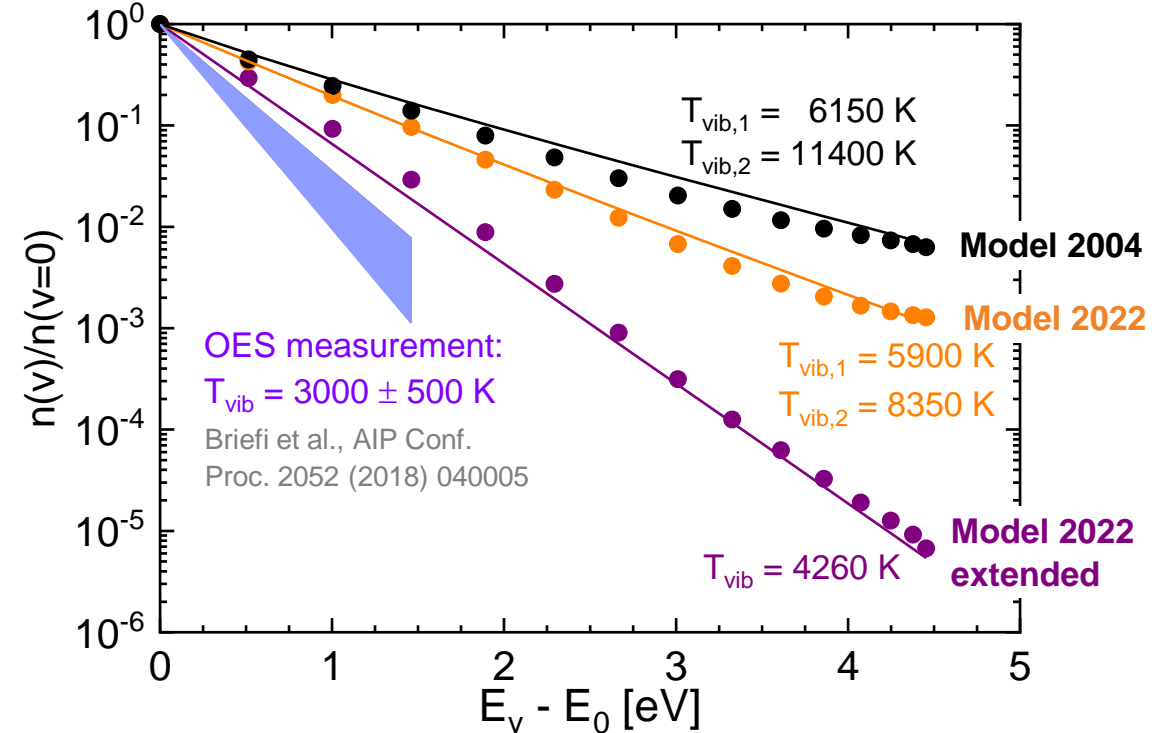
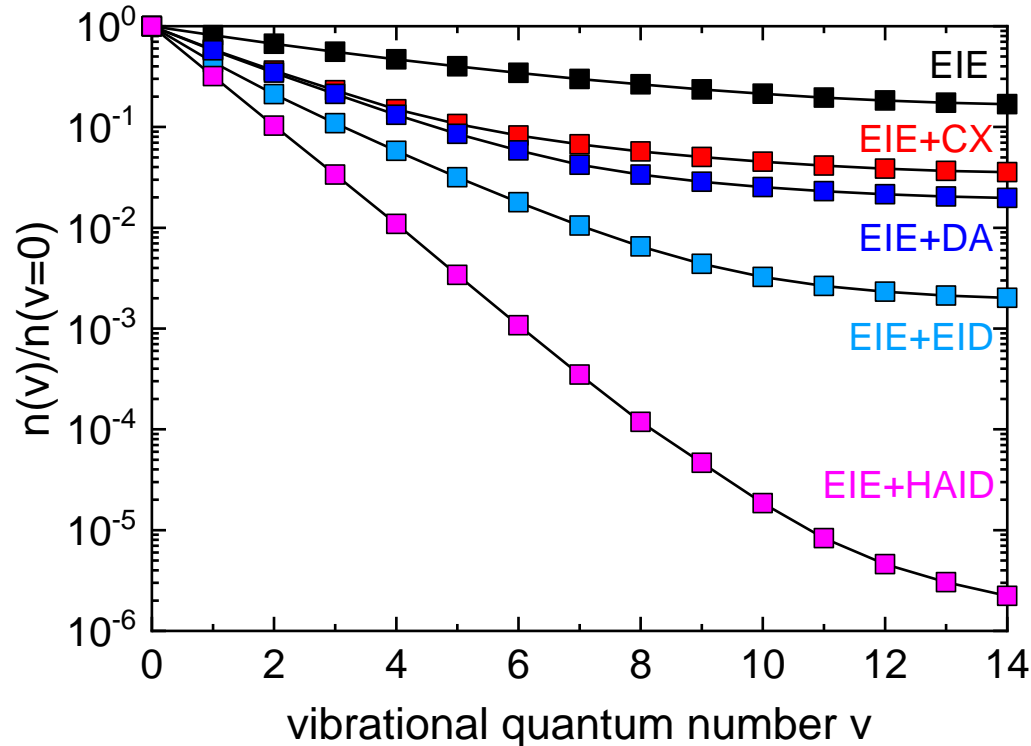


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Vibrationally resolved CR model for $X^1 - \text{Yacora-H}_2(X1, v) - \text{Benchmark}$

Negative hydrogen ion source, low temperature plasma

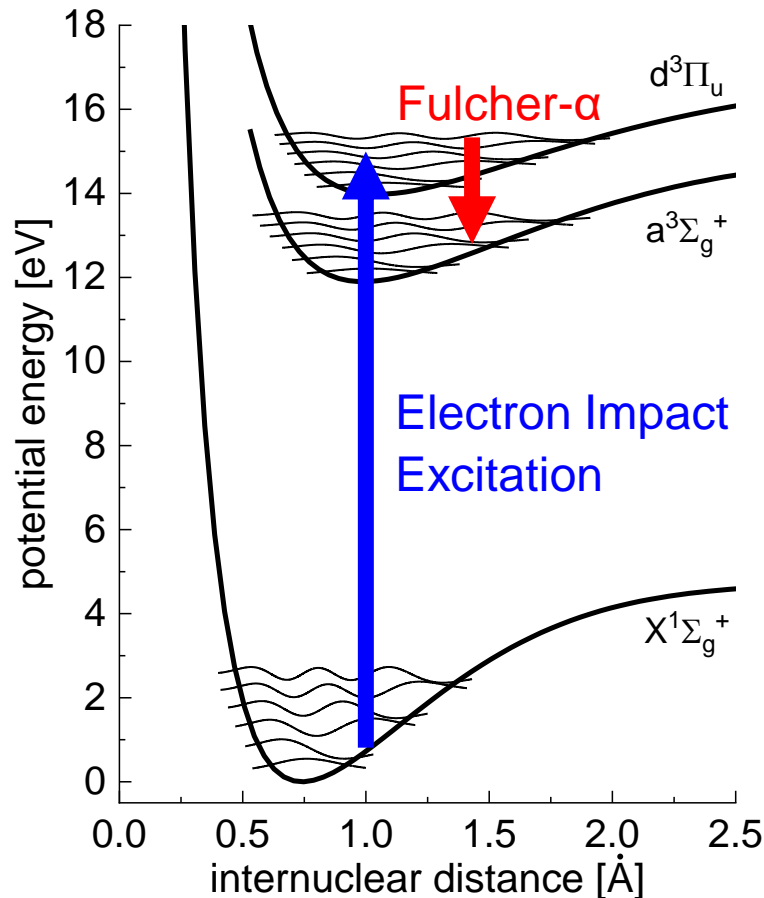
$T_e = 2.5 \text{ eV}$	$n_e = 6 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$	$n_{\text{H}^-} = 10^{17} \text{ m}^{-3}$
$T_{\text{H}} = T_{\text{H}^-} = T_{\text{H}^+} = 0.8 \text{ eV}$	$n_{\text{H}_2} = 3 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$	$n_{\text{H}^+} = n_{\text{H}_2^+} = 2.4 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$
$T_{\text{H}_2} = T_{\text{H}_2^+} = T_{\text{H}_3^+} = 0.1 \text{ eV}$	$n_{\text{H}} = 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$	$n_{\text{H}_3^+} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$





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Ro-vibrationally resolved Corona model – Yacora-H2(v,N)-Fulcher



- Ground state $n(X^1, v, N)$ according to two-temperature distribution

$$n(X^1, v', N') =$$

$$n_{H2} [(1-\beta) \tilde{n}_{rot}(v', N', T_{gas}) \tilde{n}_{vib}(v', T_{vib1}) + \beta \tilde{n}_{rot}(v', N', T_{rot2}) \tilde{n}_{vib}(v', T_{rot2})]$$

- Rate equation: $\frac{dn_p}{dt} = \sum_{q < p} X_{qp} n_q n_e - \sum_{q < p} A_{pq} n_p$

Electron Impact Excitation (EIE)



Spontaneous Emission



- Separate treatment of $d^3(v, N)^+$ and $d^3(v, N)^-$ (selection rules)
- 45 259 fully ro-vibrationally resolved MCCC cross sections applied

Scarlett et al., Phys. Rev. A 107 (2023) 06280

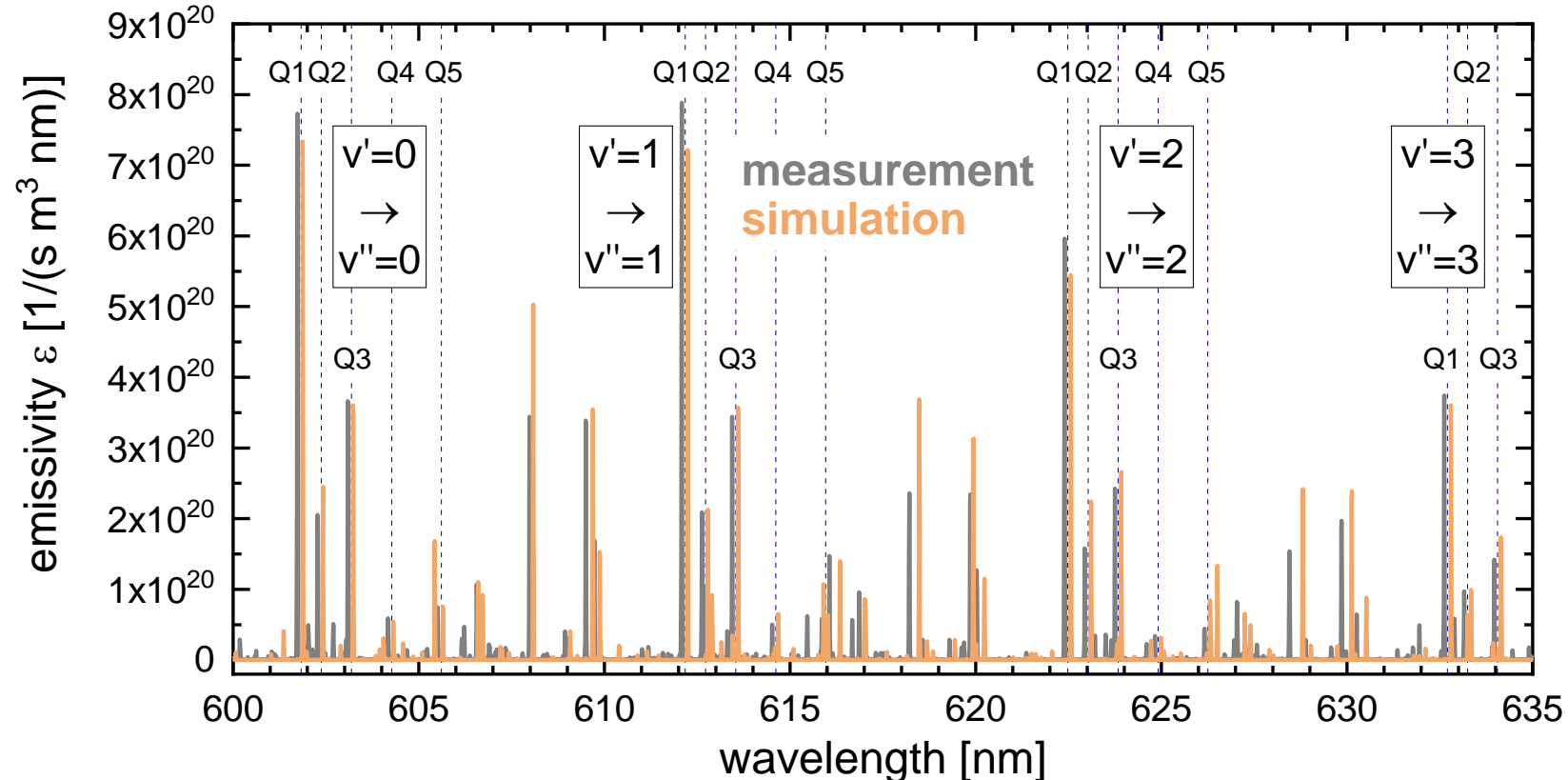


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Benchmark with spectra from lab experiment (ICP, $p = 1.1 \text{ Pa}$, $P_{\text{RF}} = 700 \text{ W}$)

$T_e = 8.8 \text{ eV}$, $n_e = 1.84 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$ from Langmuir probe



- Excellent agreement in absolute values
- Previous model → factor 3 higher emissivity
- Q-lines show general agreement

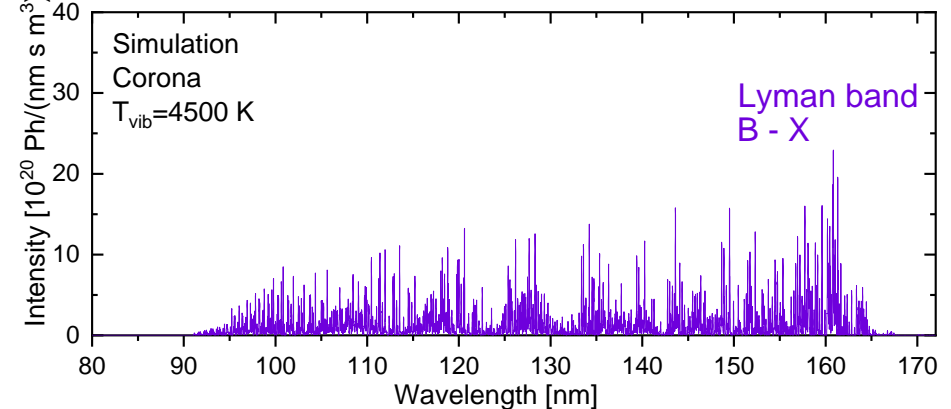
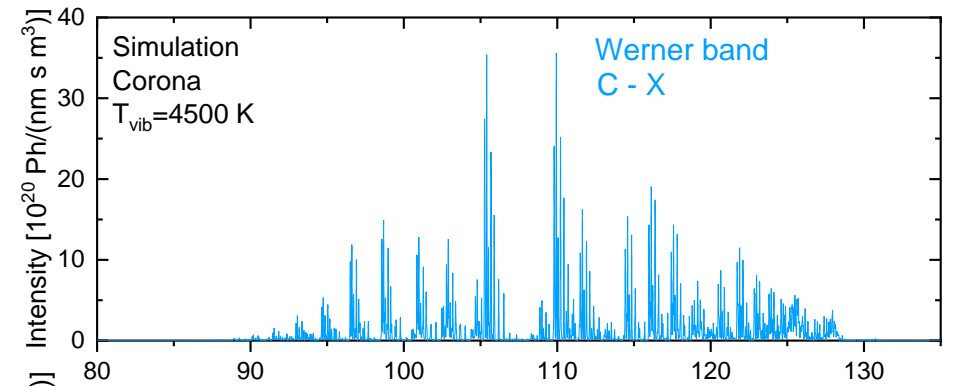
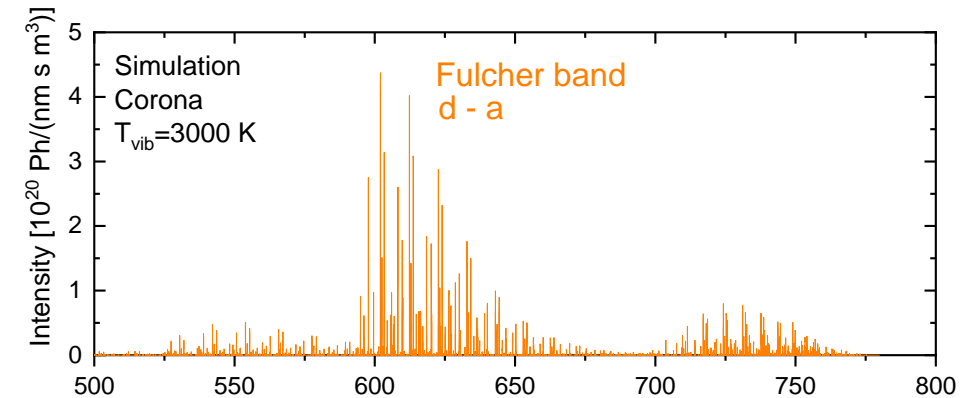
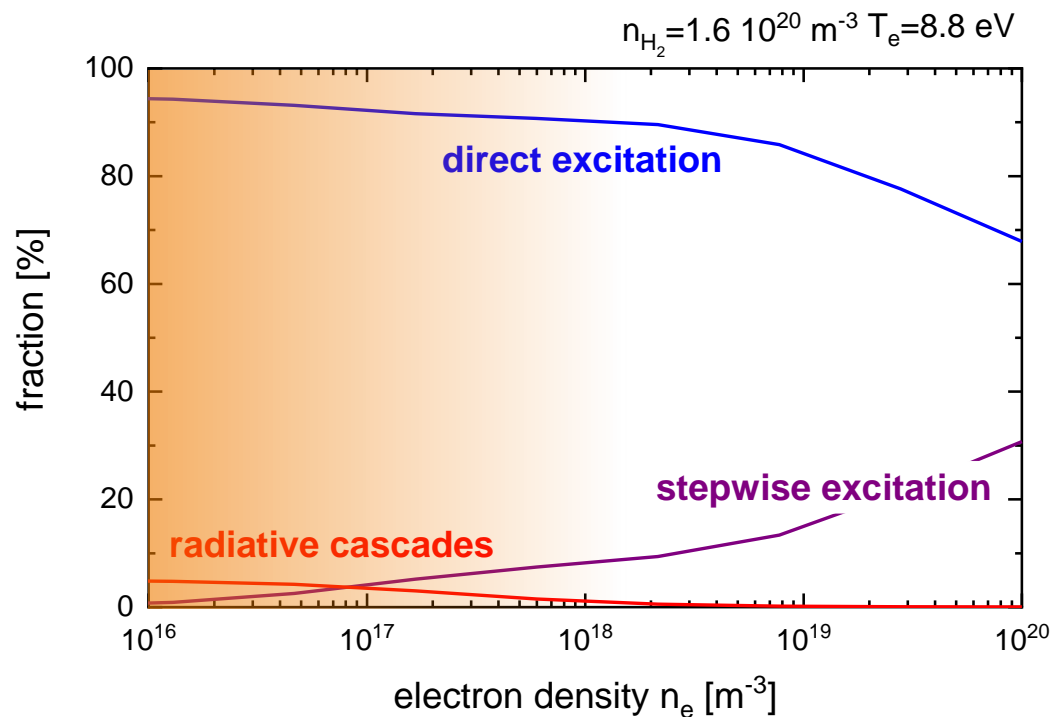


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Ro-vibrationally resolved Corona models

Applicability of Corona model

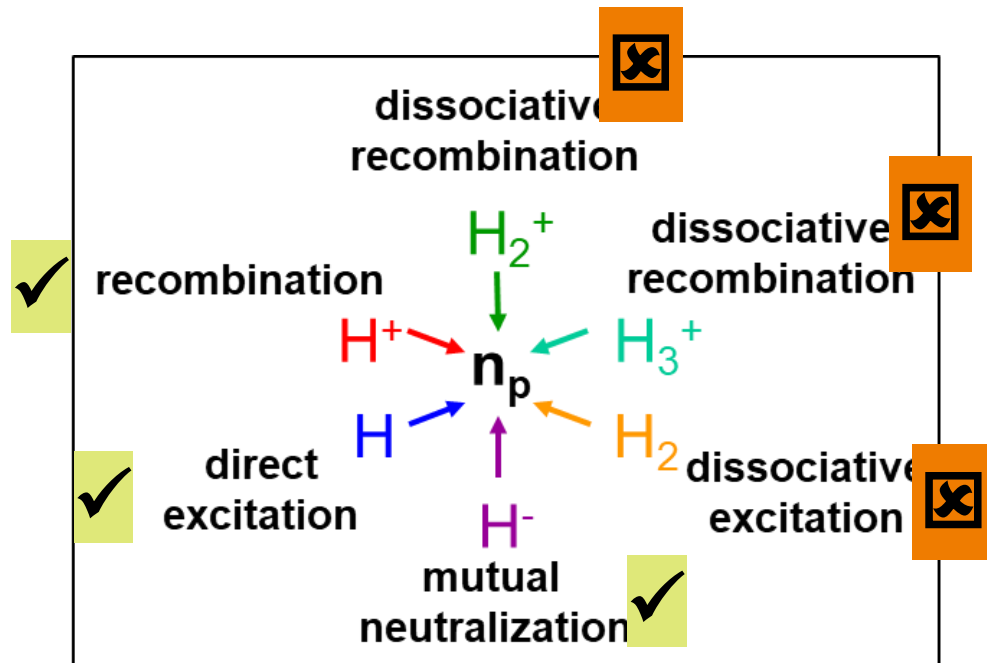
→ check with **electronic CR model**





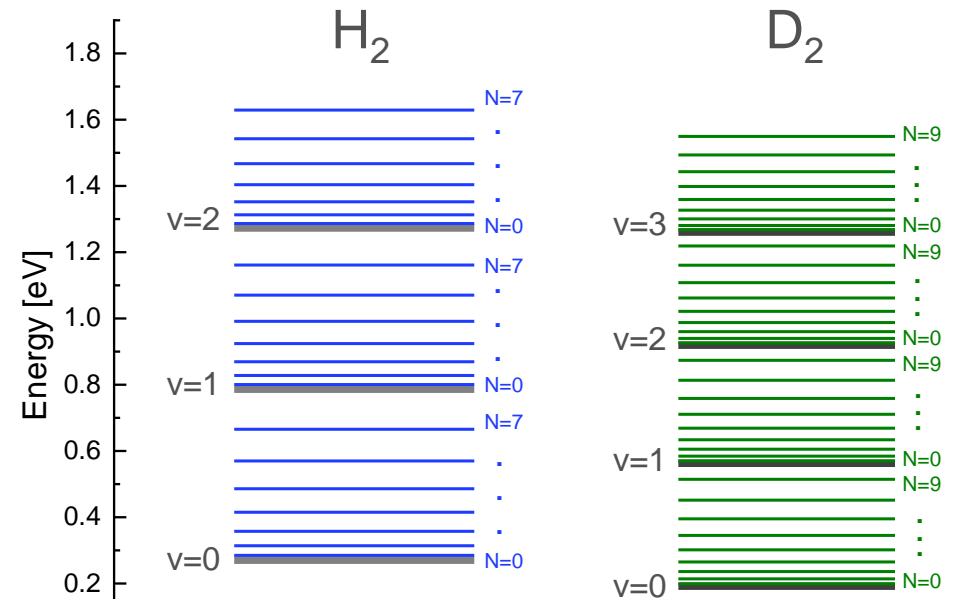
Towards deuterium

Atomic model



and opacity effects

Molecules



Available for D_2

- Transition probabilities A_{ik}
- Dissociative attachment (Laporta)
- Ionisation Gryzinski method and MCCC

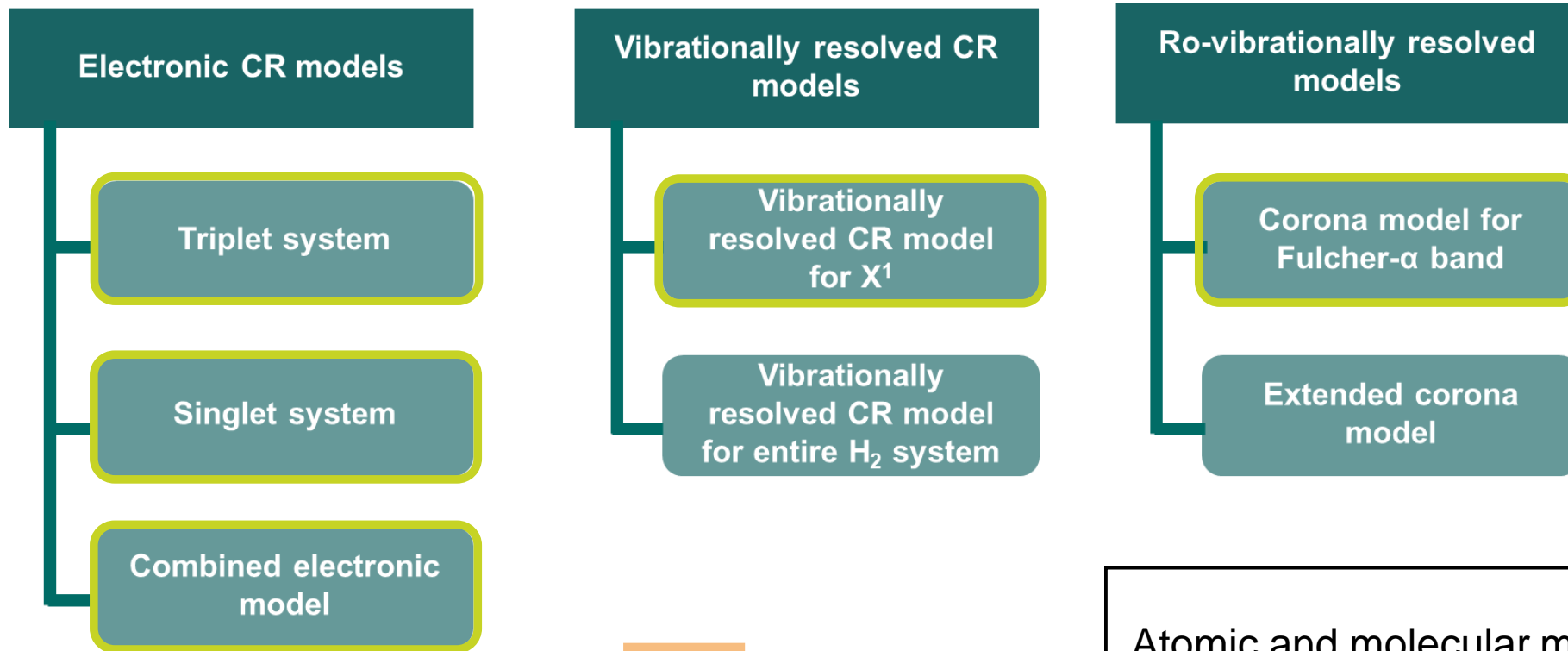
In planning: Yacora-D2(v) with MCCC data

[private communication]



Summary

Recent progress of collisional radiative modelling of H₂ with Yacora



Accompanied by benchmarking to experimental data

Towards a (ro-) vibrationally resolved CR model for (entire) H₂ system and D₂

Atomic and molecular model
Status 2014/2019
YOTW
Yacora on the Web





Data status, availability and recommendations

Main messages from this talk

MCCC data is open available and their usage is benchmarked in different devices

- electronically resolved, for H₂ and its isotopomers
- vibrationally resolved
- working on rot-vib resolved data ?



Implementation of MCCC data for hydrogen (deuterium) in fusion codes for neutrals like EIRENE, SOLPS, ...

The Yacora family is benchmarked and available for further testing in extended parameter ranges

- coupling to H atom (and thus D as well) available
- low T_e down to 1 eV and low n_e done for H₂
- lower T_e and higher n_e @ Magnum PSI underway
- models and experimental data for D₂ are missing



Yacora can provide effective rate coefficients as look-up tables to be exchanged and tested against AMJUEL data, ...

The currently used data set for A & M data for hydrogen **should be exchanged** by updated and recommended data **to catch the right physics** in low temperature fusion (relevant) plasmas).

The step to deuterium is essential.