

Resonant electron-molecular cation collisions in the edge plasmas of fusion devices: new state-to-state cross sections and rate coefficients



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Dissociative recombination

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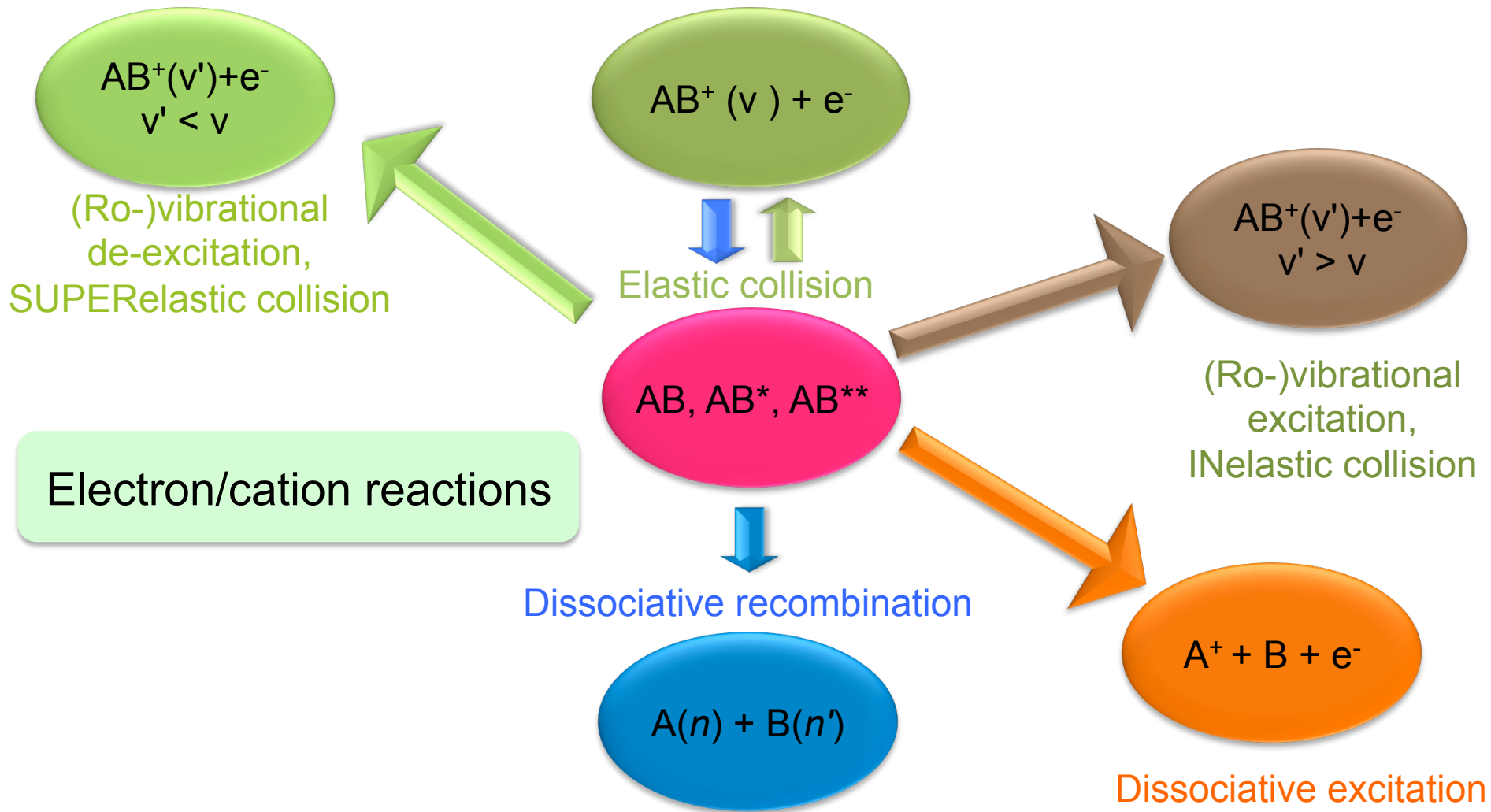
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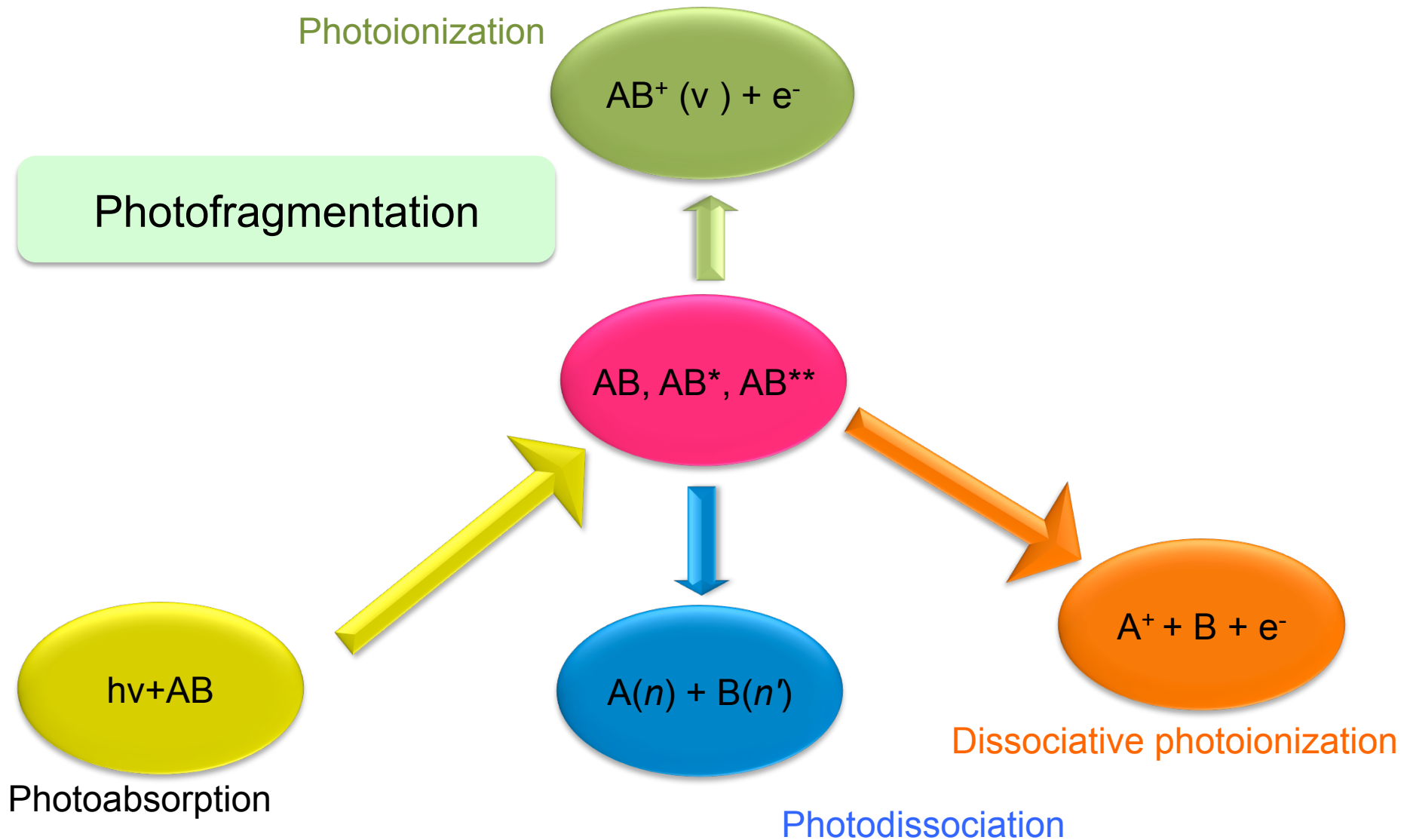


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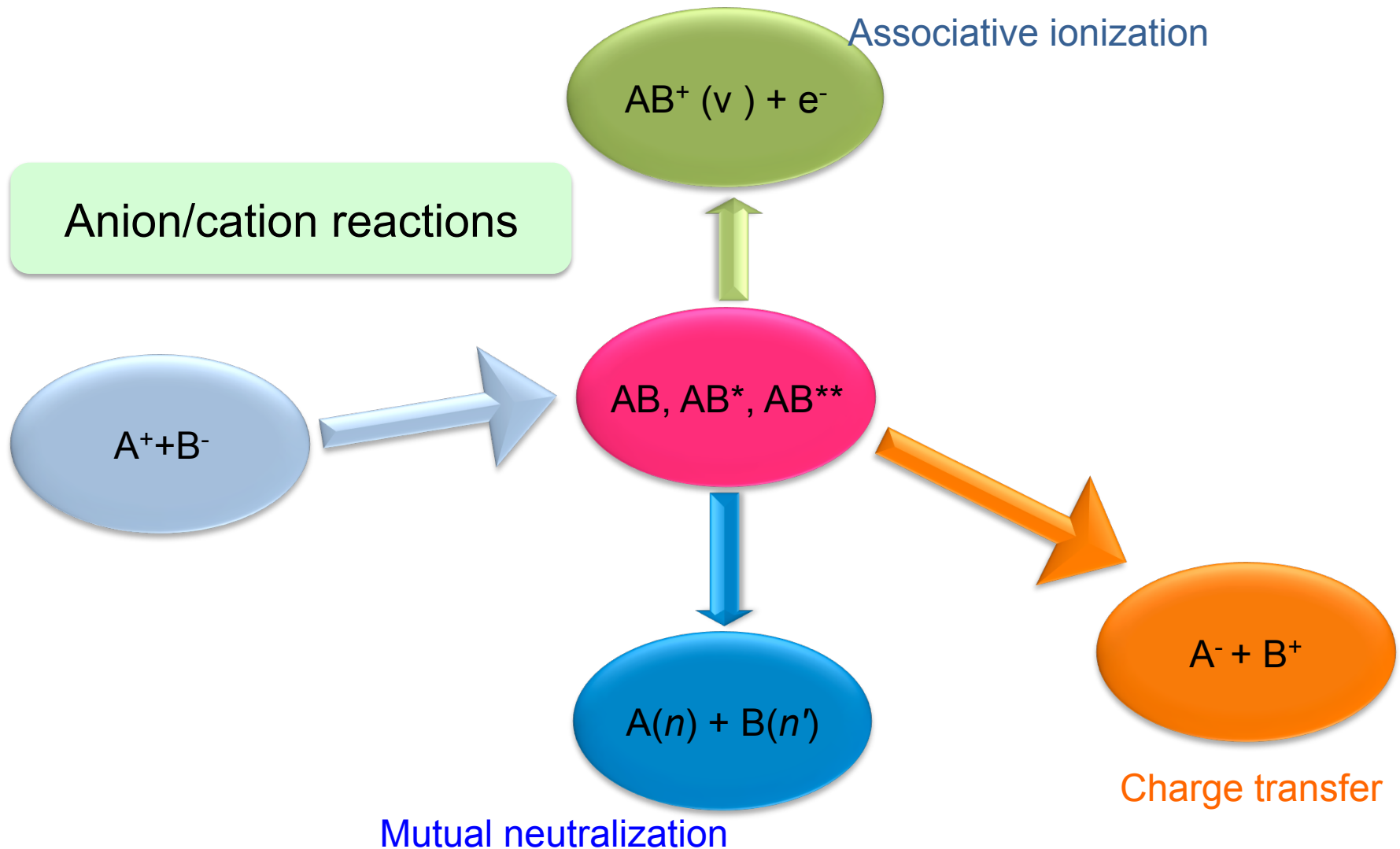
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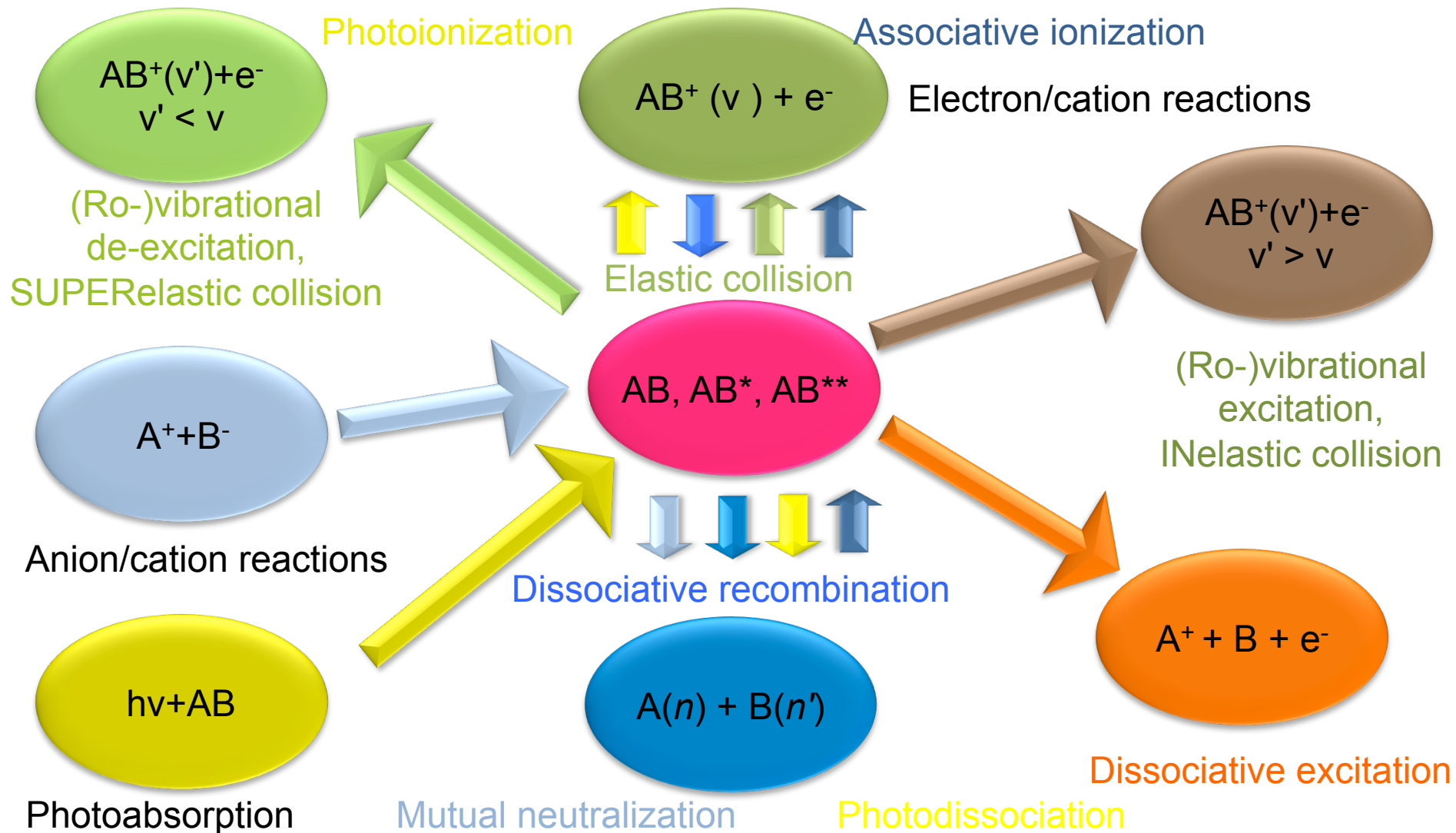
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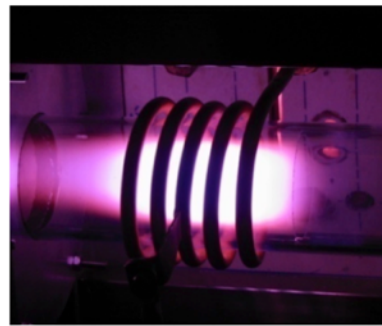
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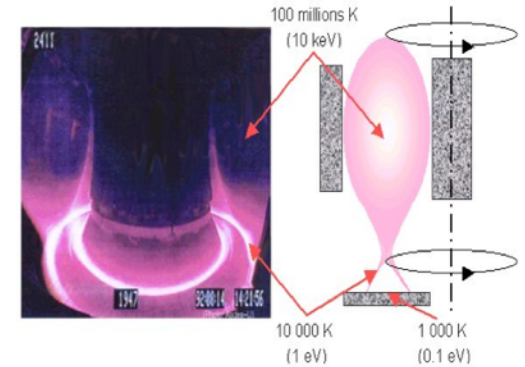
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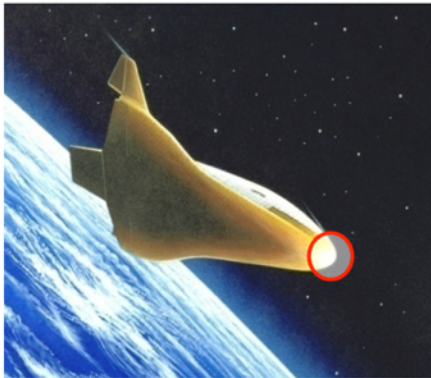
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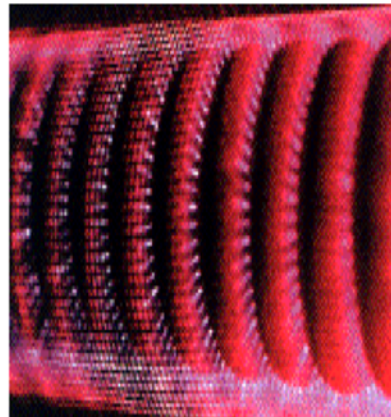
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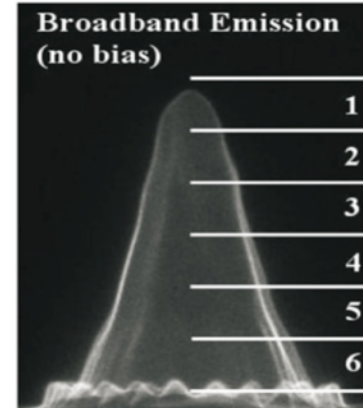
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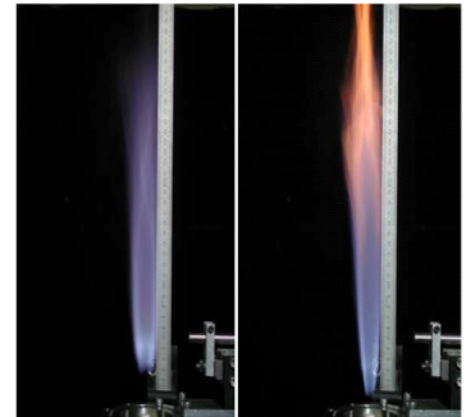
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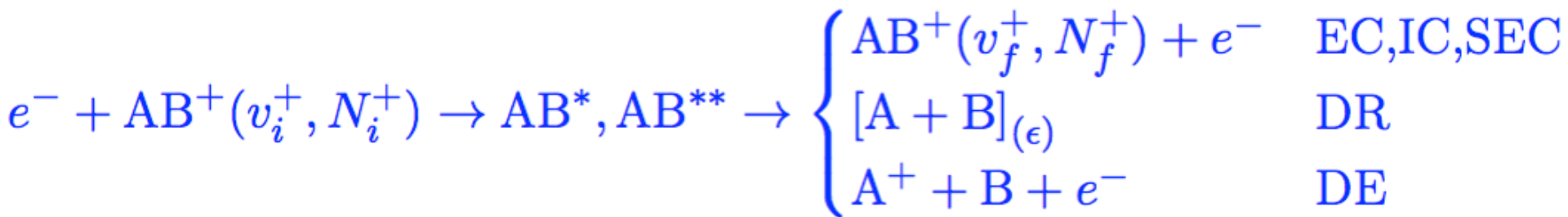
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Plasma-assisted-combustion



Theoretical approach: Reactive collisions



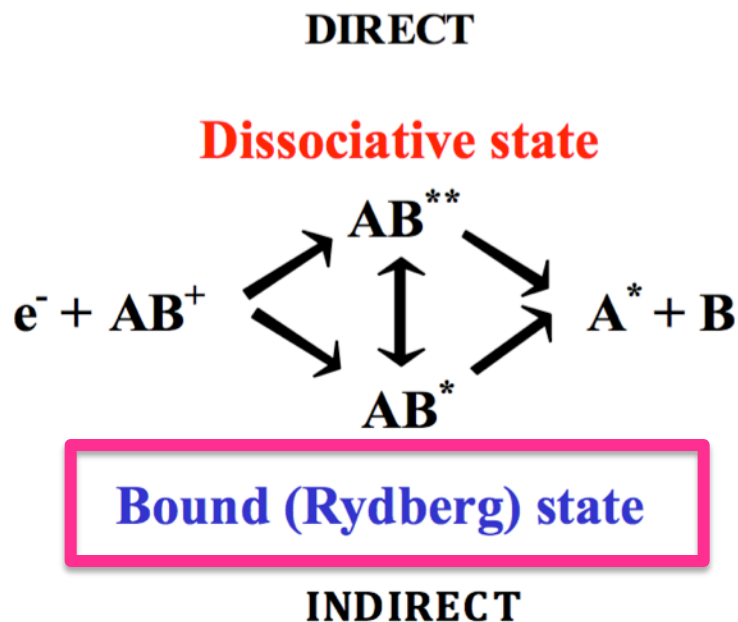
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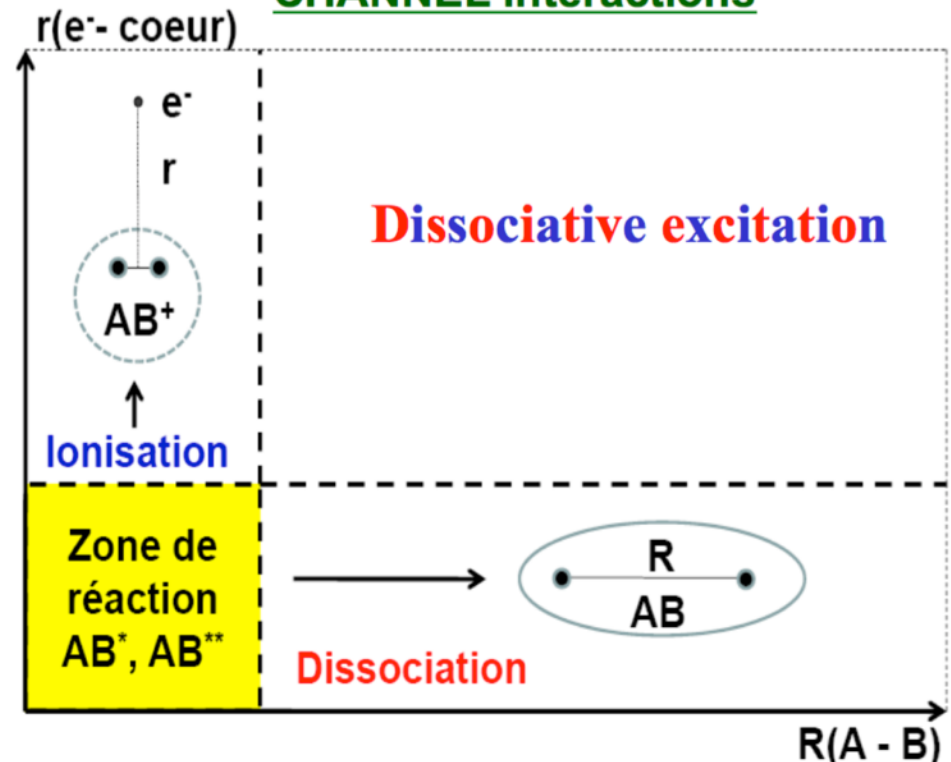
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Seaton (1958-1983), Fano, Jungen, Greene, Giusti-Suzor (1970-...),...

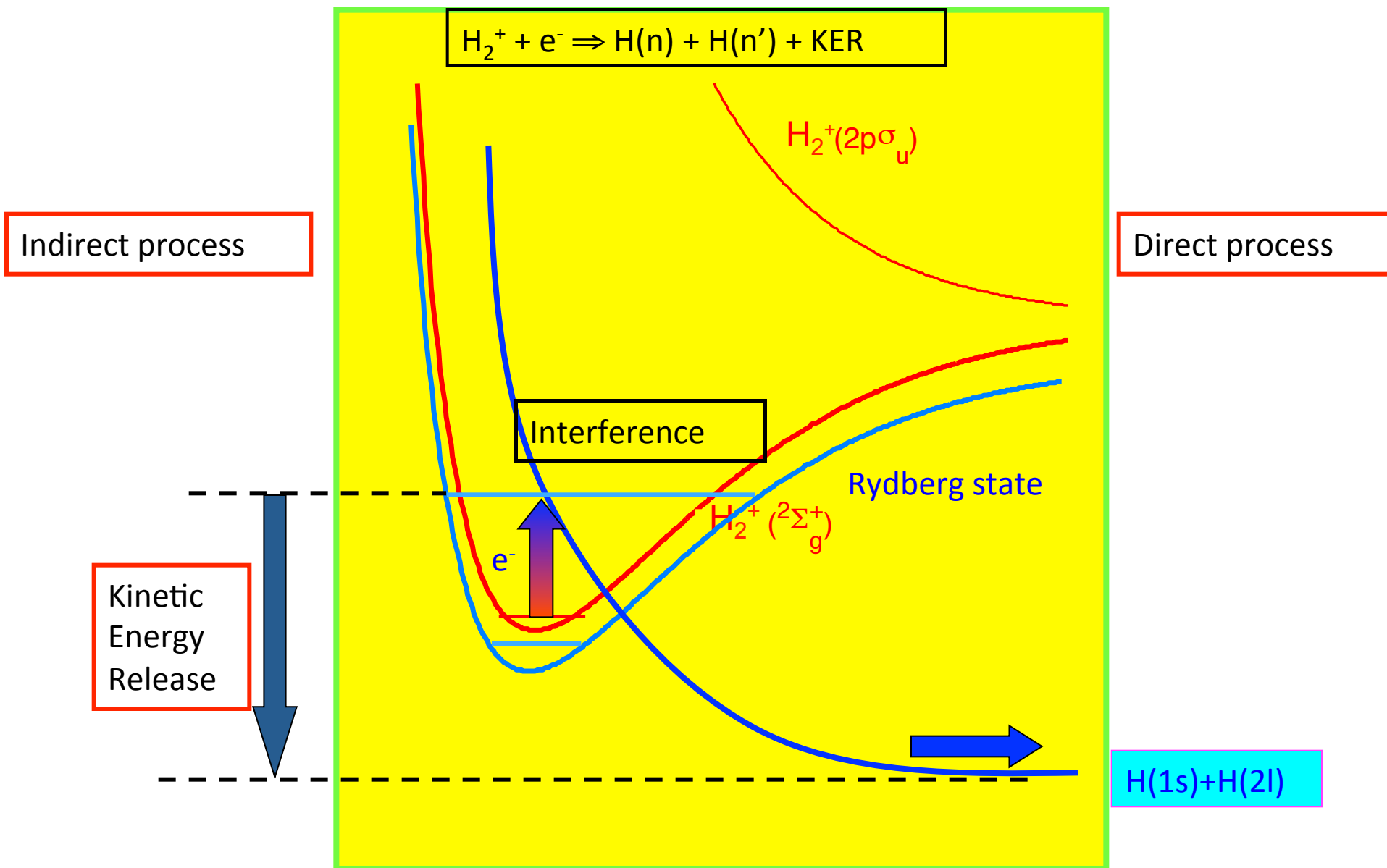
Quantum Interferences



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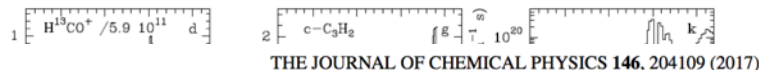


MQDT: DR mechanisms



Case study: SH^+

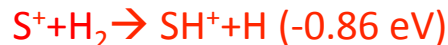
K. M. Menten et al: Submillimeter absorption from SH^+ , a new widespread interstellar radical, 13CH^+ and HCl , *A&A* 525, A77 (2011)



Discovery: Benz et al (2010)



Formation and destruction routes



A theoretical study of the dissociative recombination of SH^+ with electrons through the $2^2\Pi$ states of SH

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A quantitative theoretical study of the dissociative recombination of SH^+ with electrons has been carried out. Multireference, configuration interaction calculations were used to determine accurate potential energy curves for SH^+ and SH. The block diagonalization method was used to disentangle strongly interacting SH valence and Rydberg states and to construct a diabatic Hamiltonian whose diagonal matrix elements provide the diabatic potential energy curves. The off-diagonal elements are related to the electronic valence-Rydberg couplings. Cross sections and rate coefficients for the dissociative recombination reaction were calculated with a stepwise version of the multichannel quantum defect theory, using the molecular data provided by the block diagonalization method. The calculated rates are compared with the most recent measurements performed on the ion Test Storage Ring (TSR) in Heidelberg, Germany. *Published by AIP Publishing.* [<http://dx.doi.org/10.1063/1.4983690>]

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Abstract

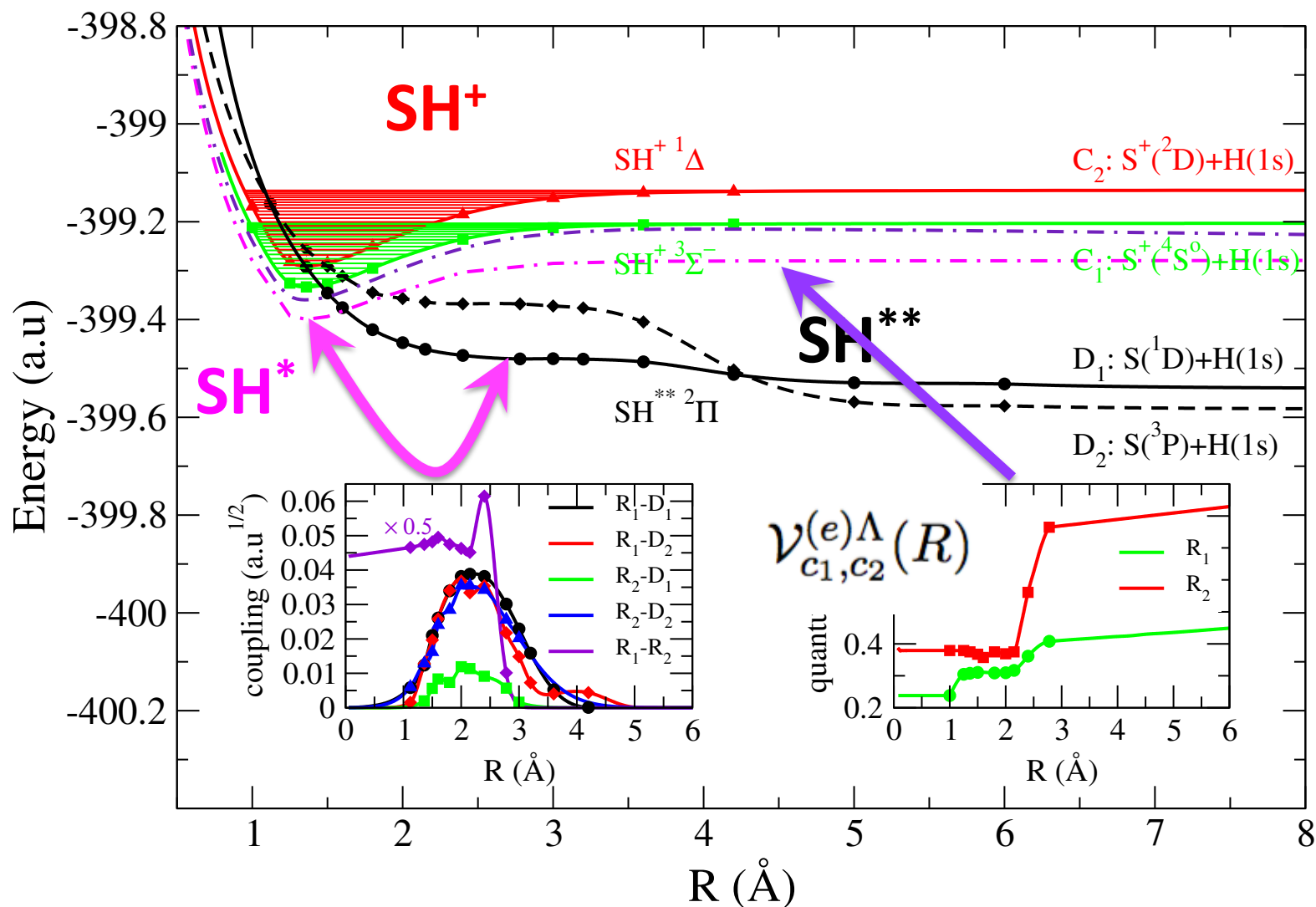
Context. Tens of light hydrides and small molecules have now been detected over several hundreds sightlines sampling the diffuse interstellar medium (ISM) in both the Solar neighbourhood and the inner Galactic disk.

Aims. These new data confirm the limitations of the traditional chemical pathways driven by the UV photons and the cosmic rays (CR) and the need for additional energy sources, such as turbulent dissipation, to open highly endoenergetic formation routes. The goal of the present paper is to further investigate the link between specific species and the properties of the turbulent cascade in particular its space-time intermittency.

Methods. We have analysed ten different atomic and molecular species in the framework of the updated model of turbulent dissipation regions (TDR). We study the influence on the abundances of these species of parameters specific to chemistry (density, UV field, and CR ionisation rate) and those linked to turbulence (the average turbulent dissipation rate, the dissipation timescale, and the ion-neutral velocity drift in the regions of dissipation).

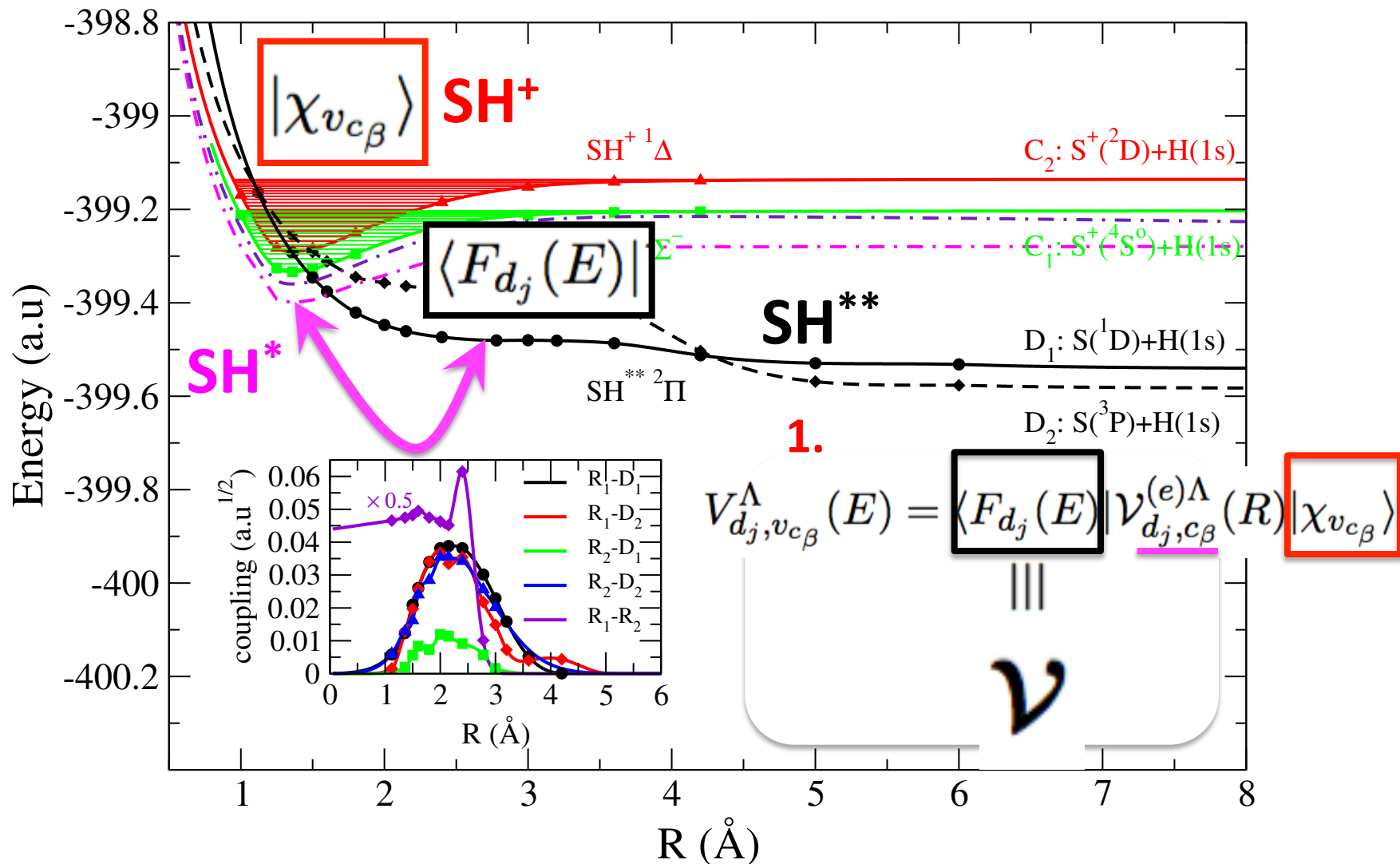
Results. The most sensitive tracers of turbulent dissipation are the abundances of CH^+ and SH^+ , and the column densities of the $J = 3, 4, 5$ rotational levels of H_2 . The abundances of CO , HCO^+ , and the intensity of the $158 \mu\text{m}$ [CII] emission line are significantly

MQDT: molecular data

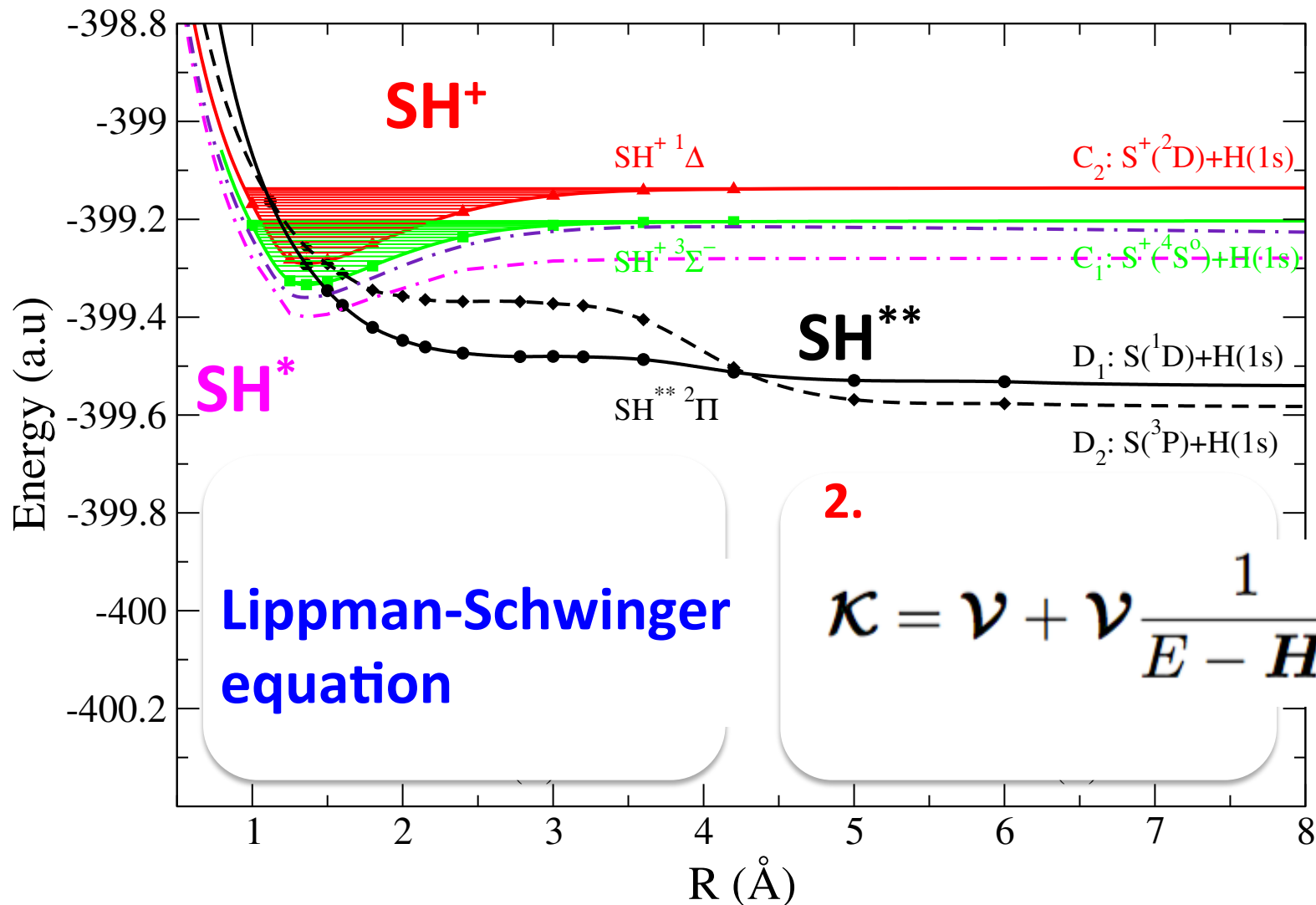


GAMESS + Block diagonalization method (Kashinki, Hickman, Talbi)

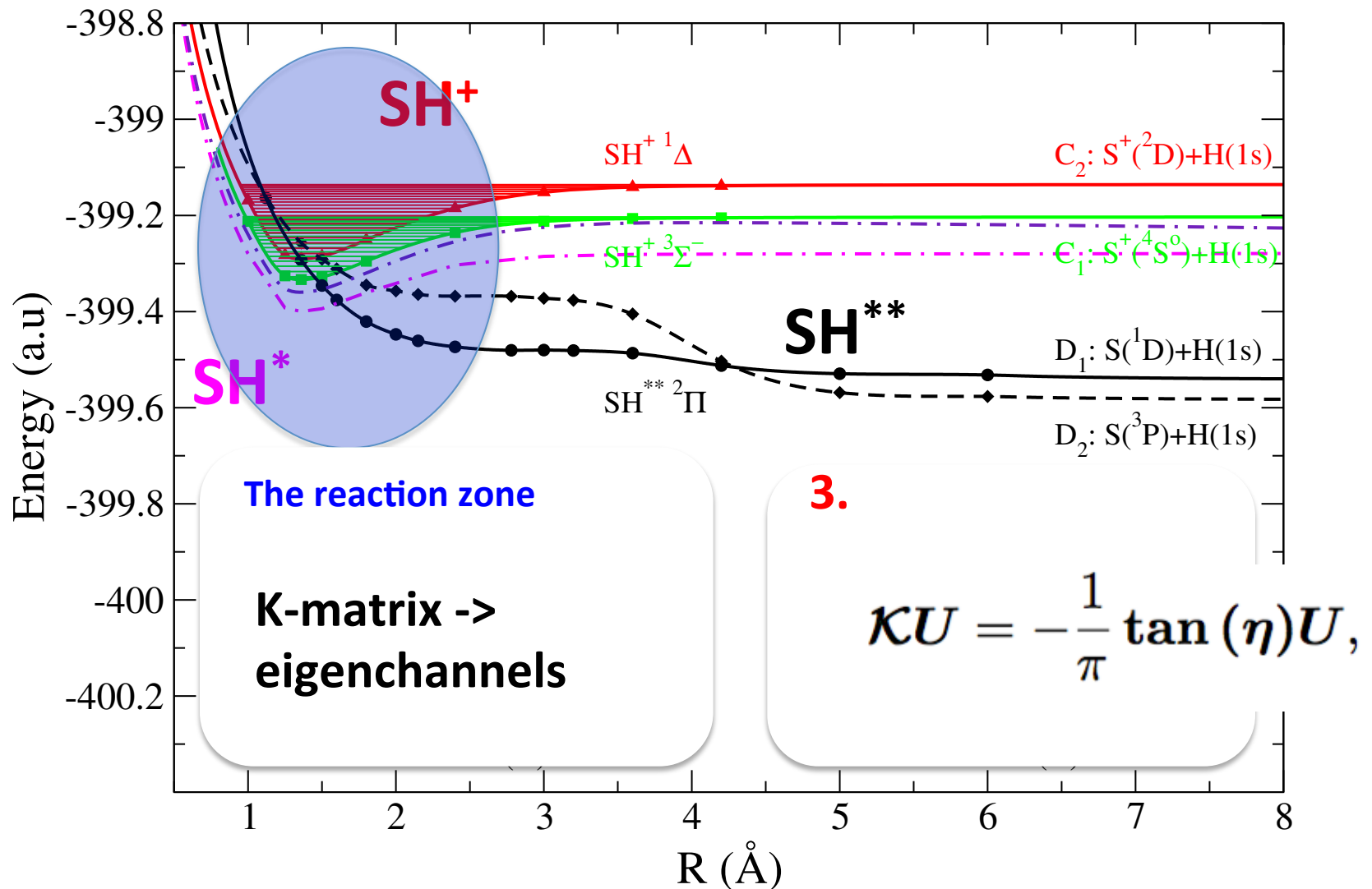
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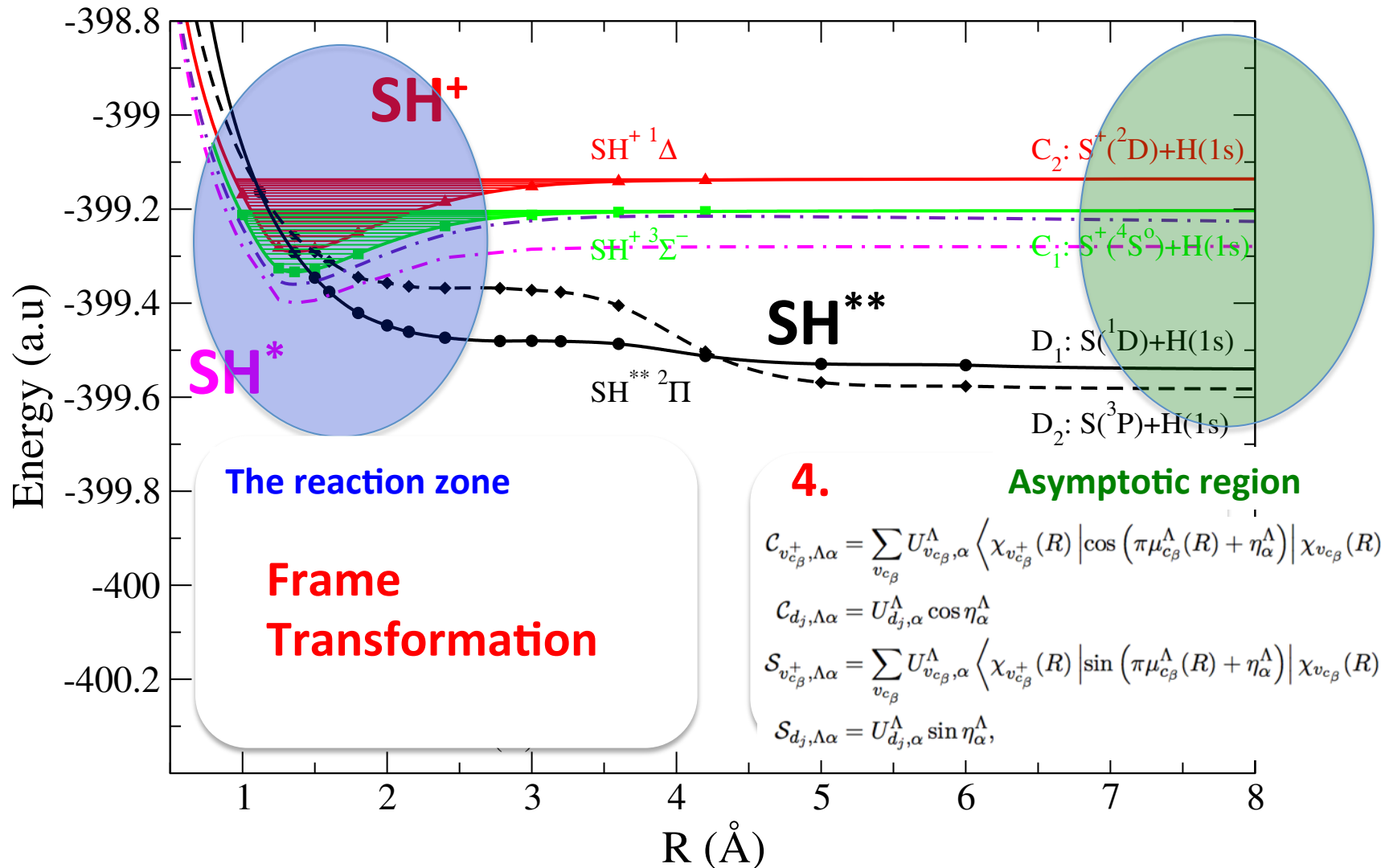
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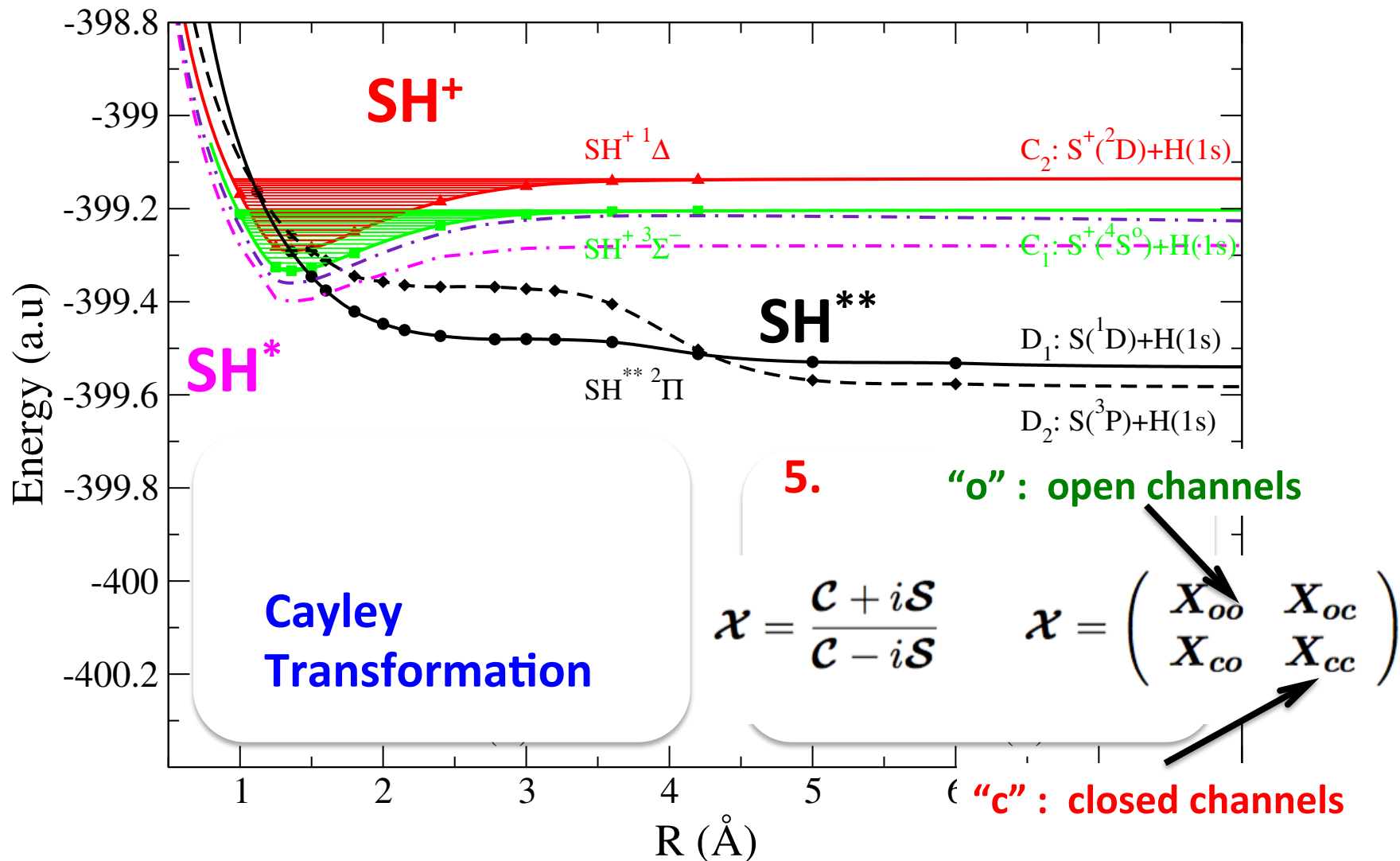
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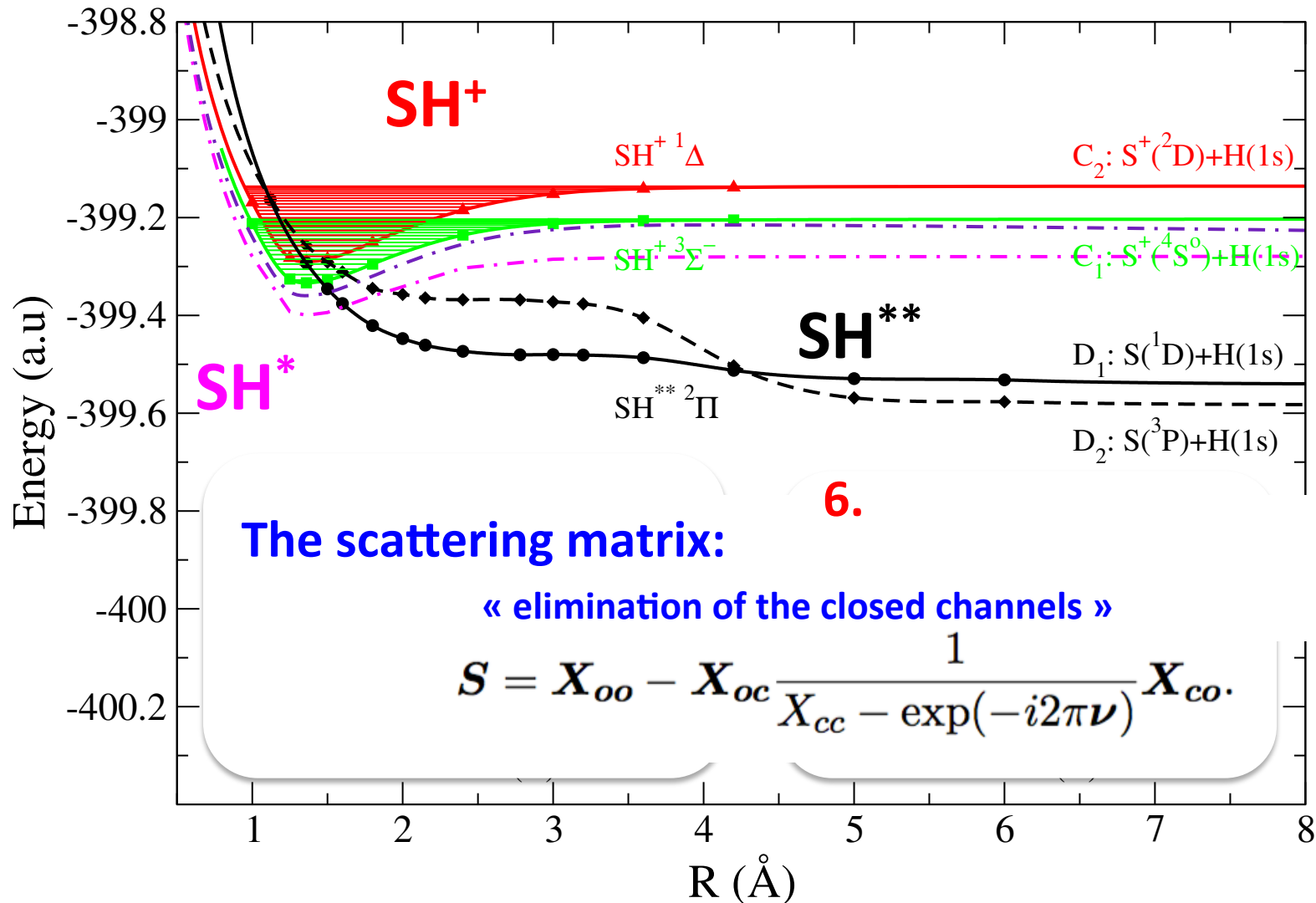
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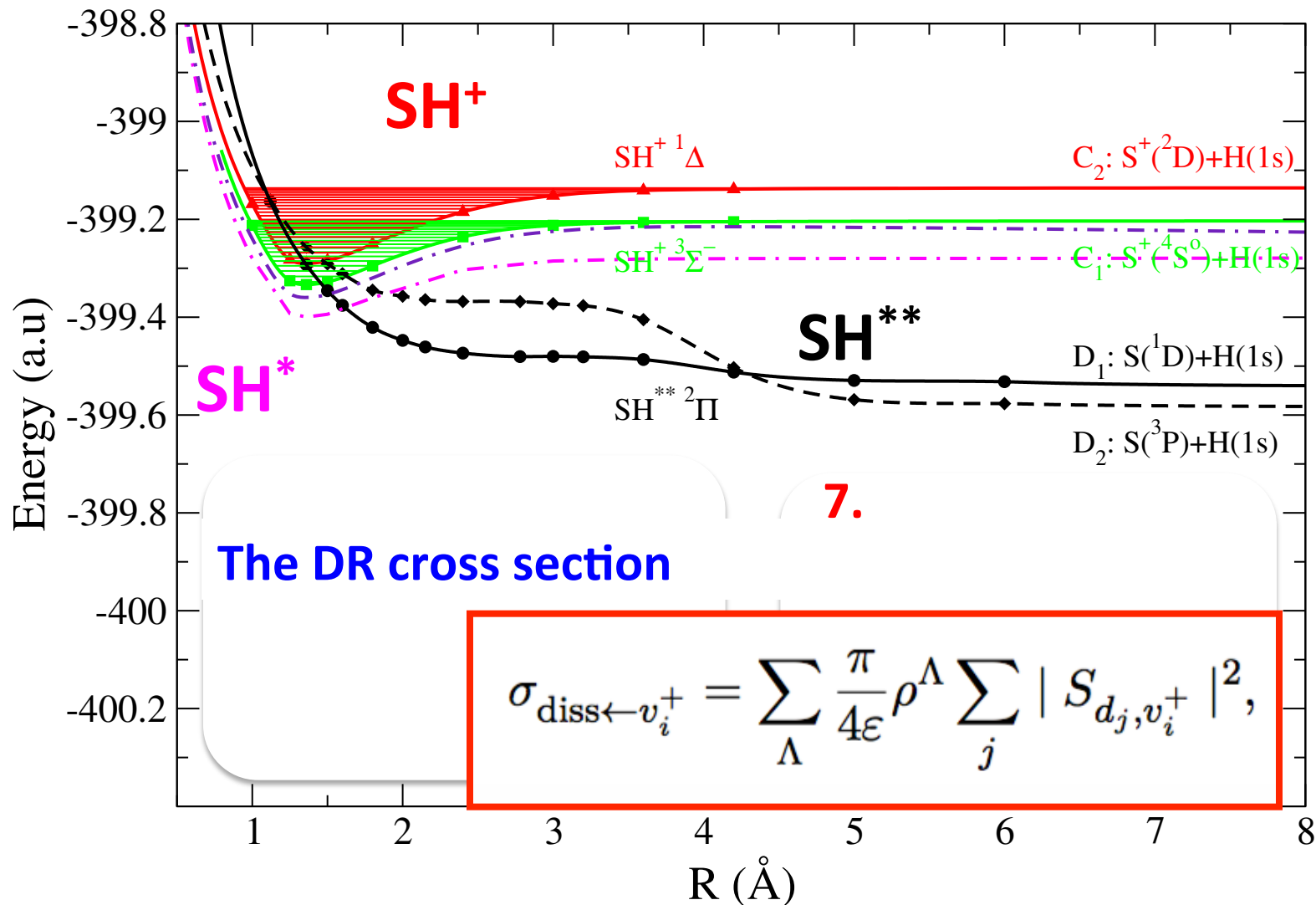
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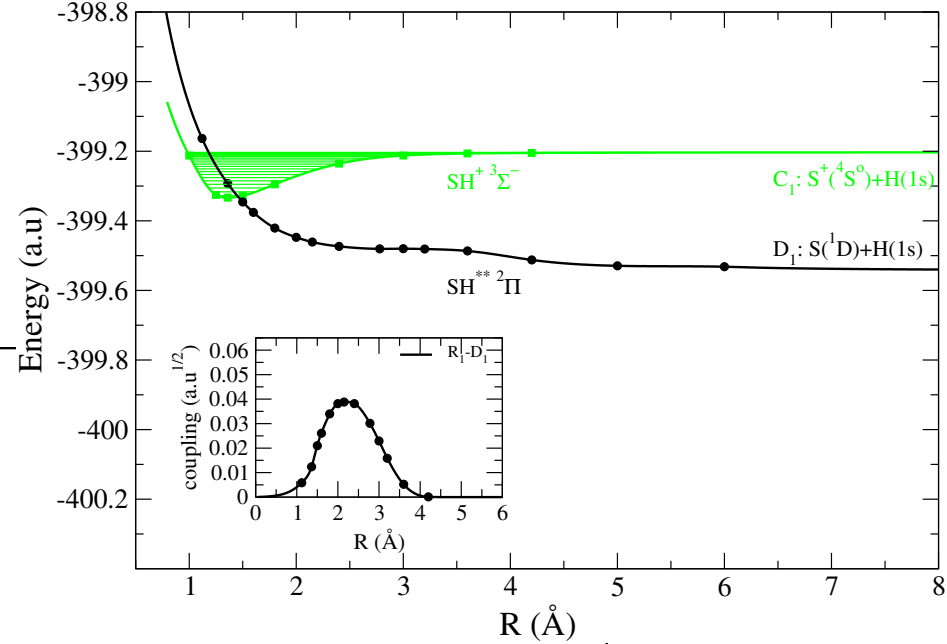
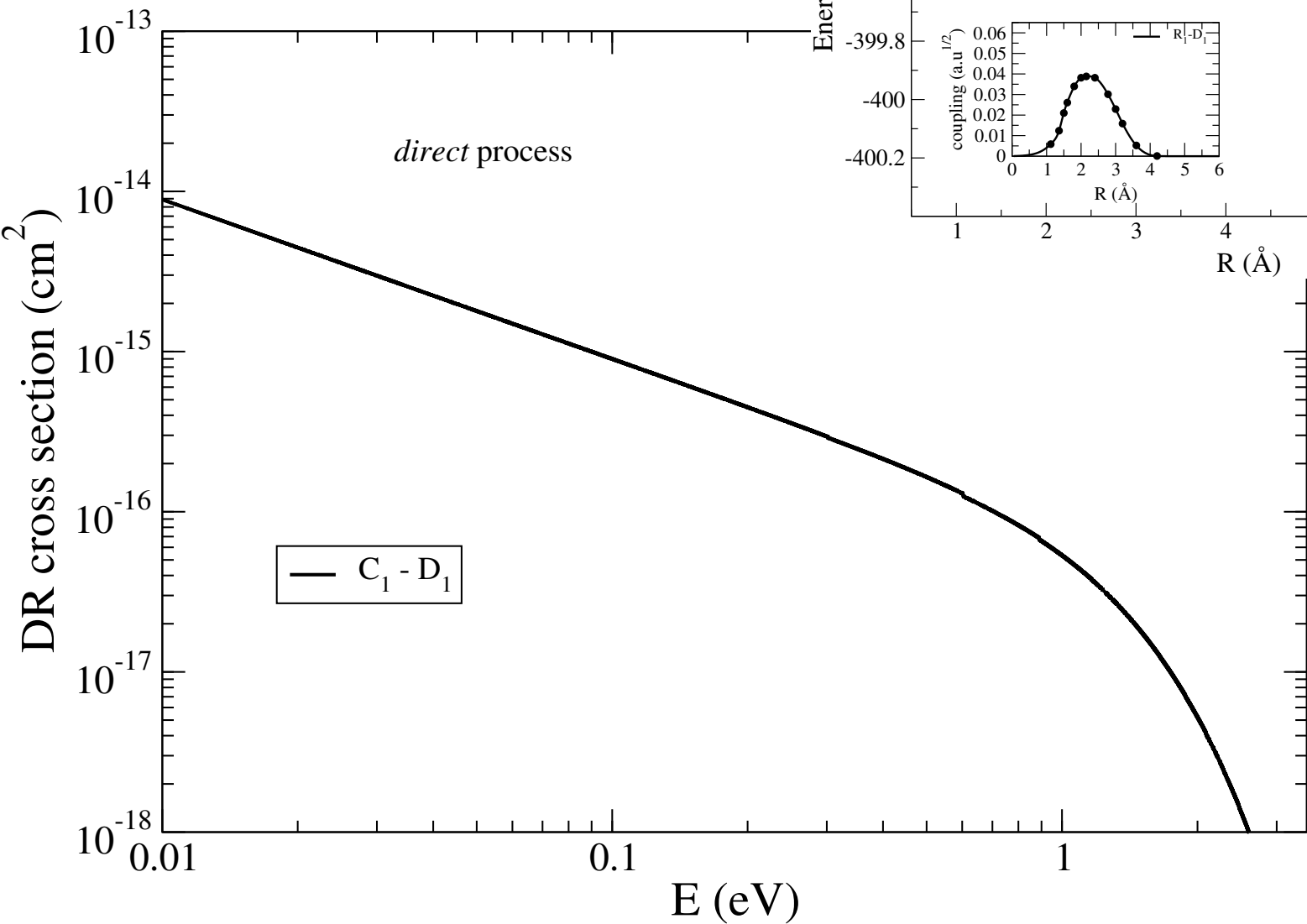
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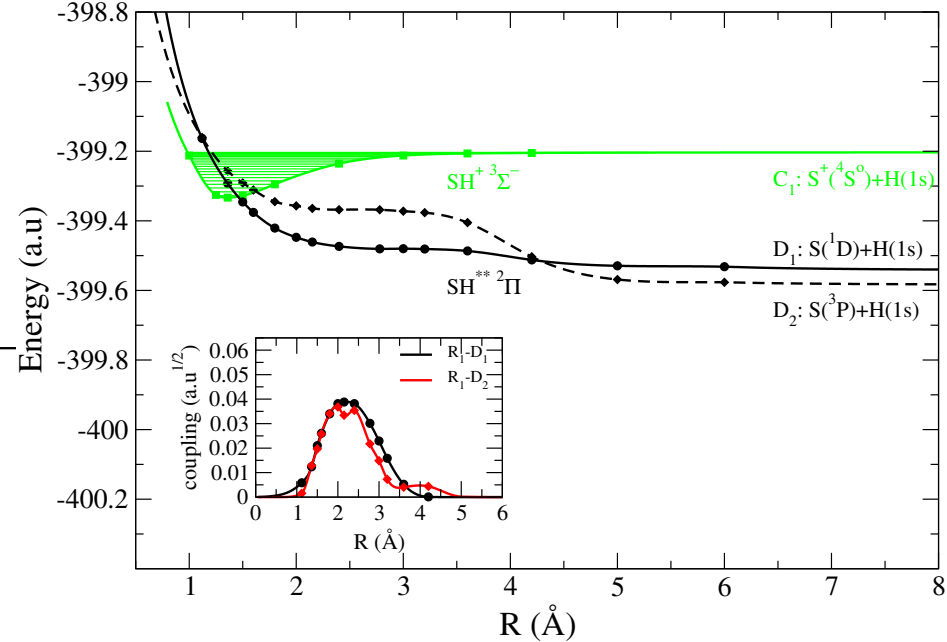
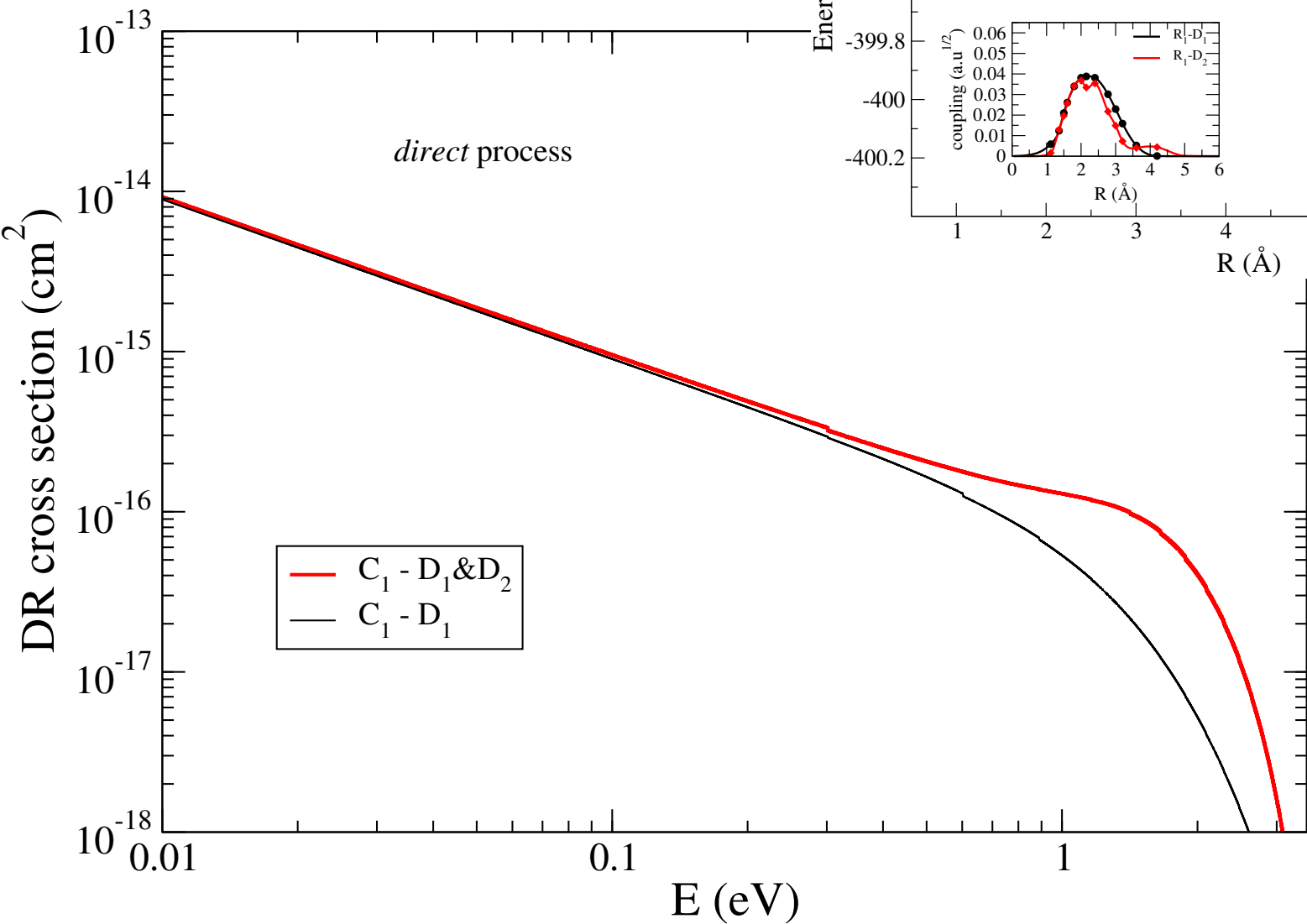
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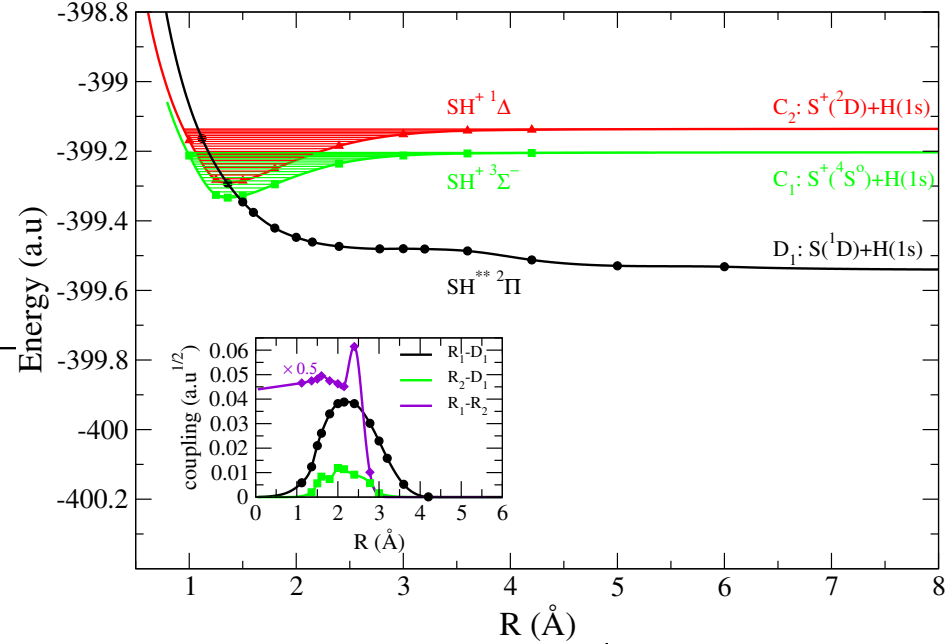
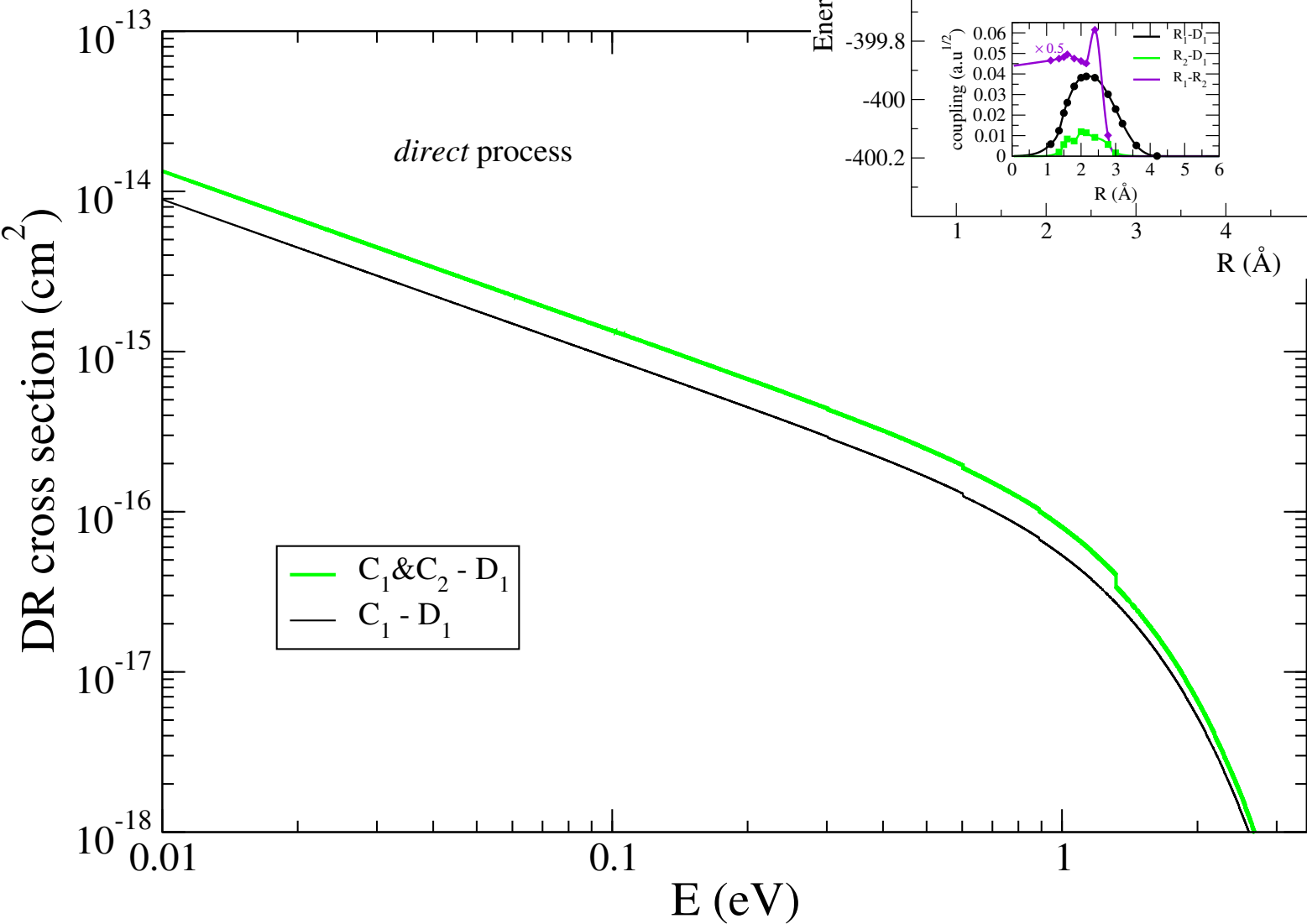
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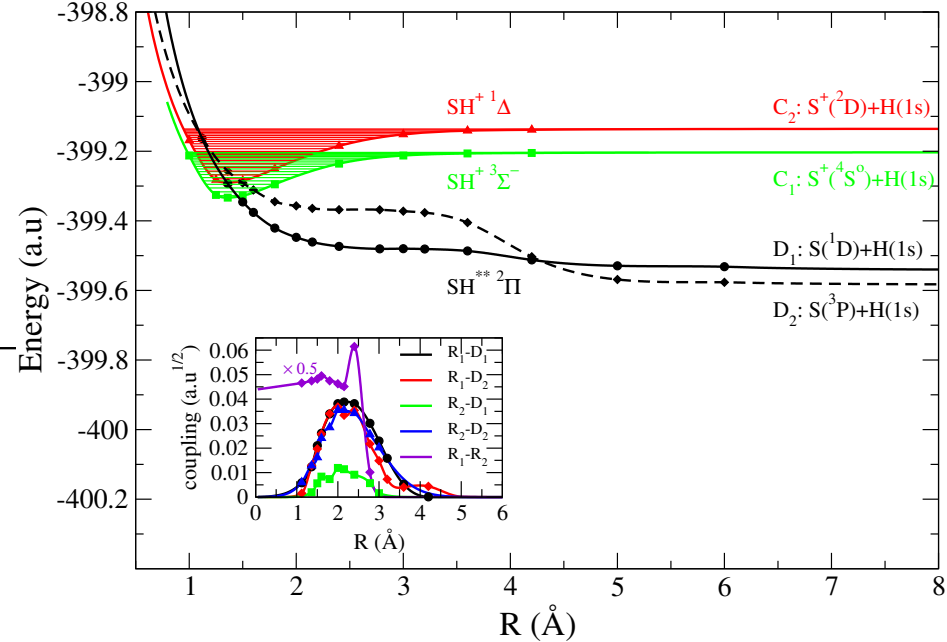
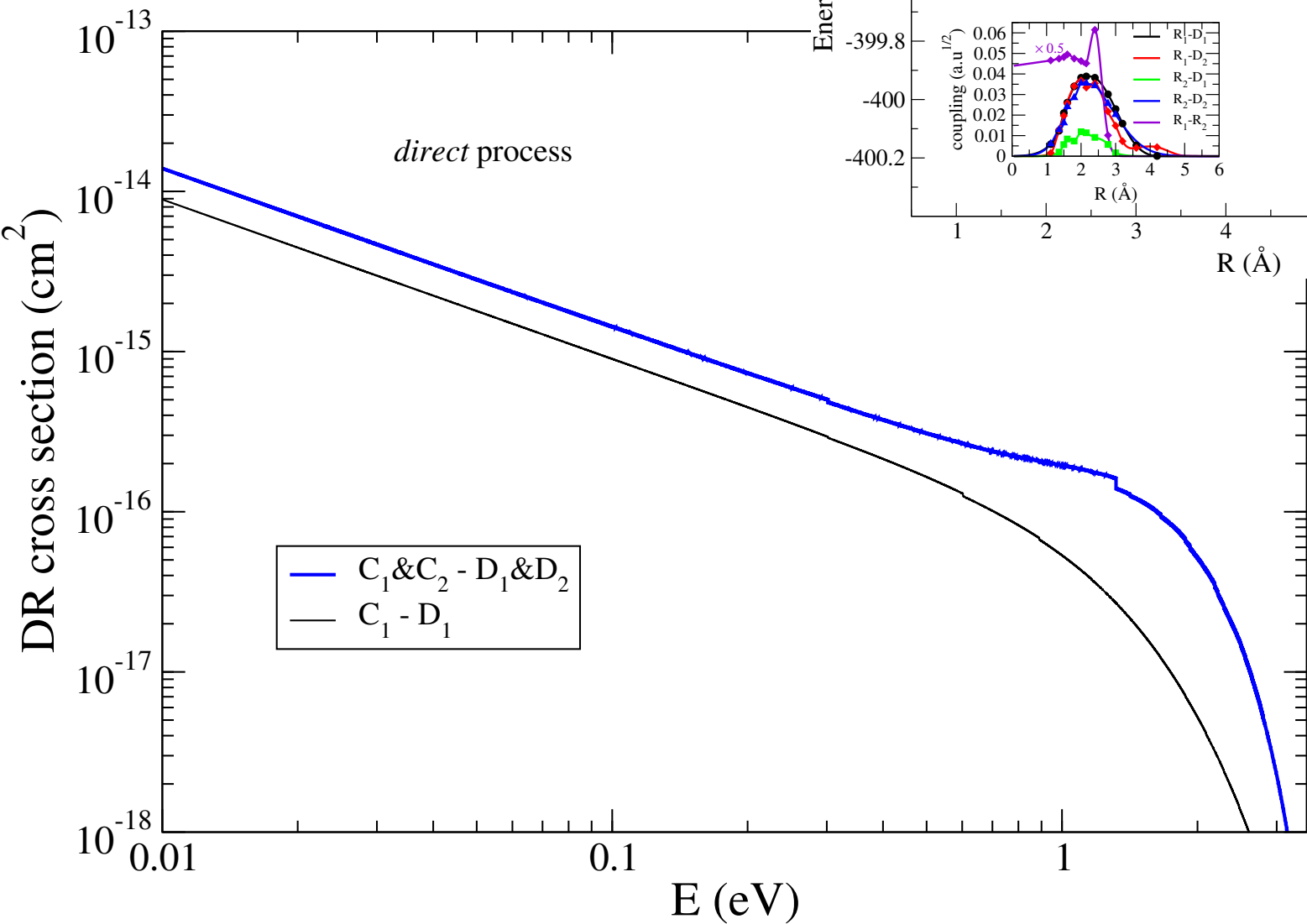
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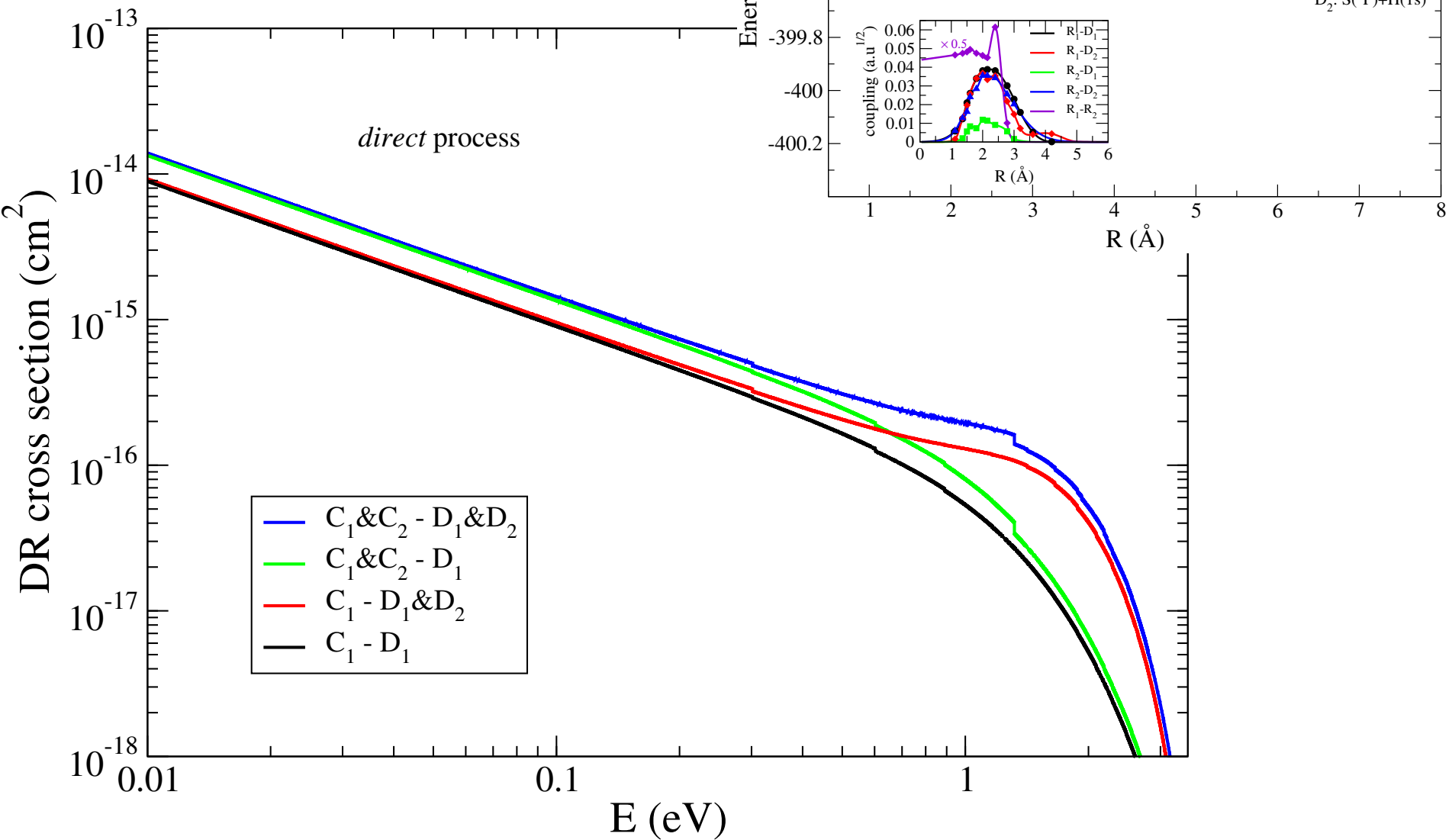
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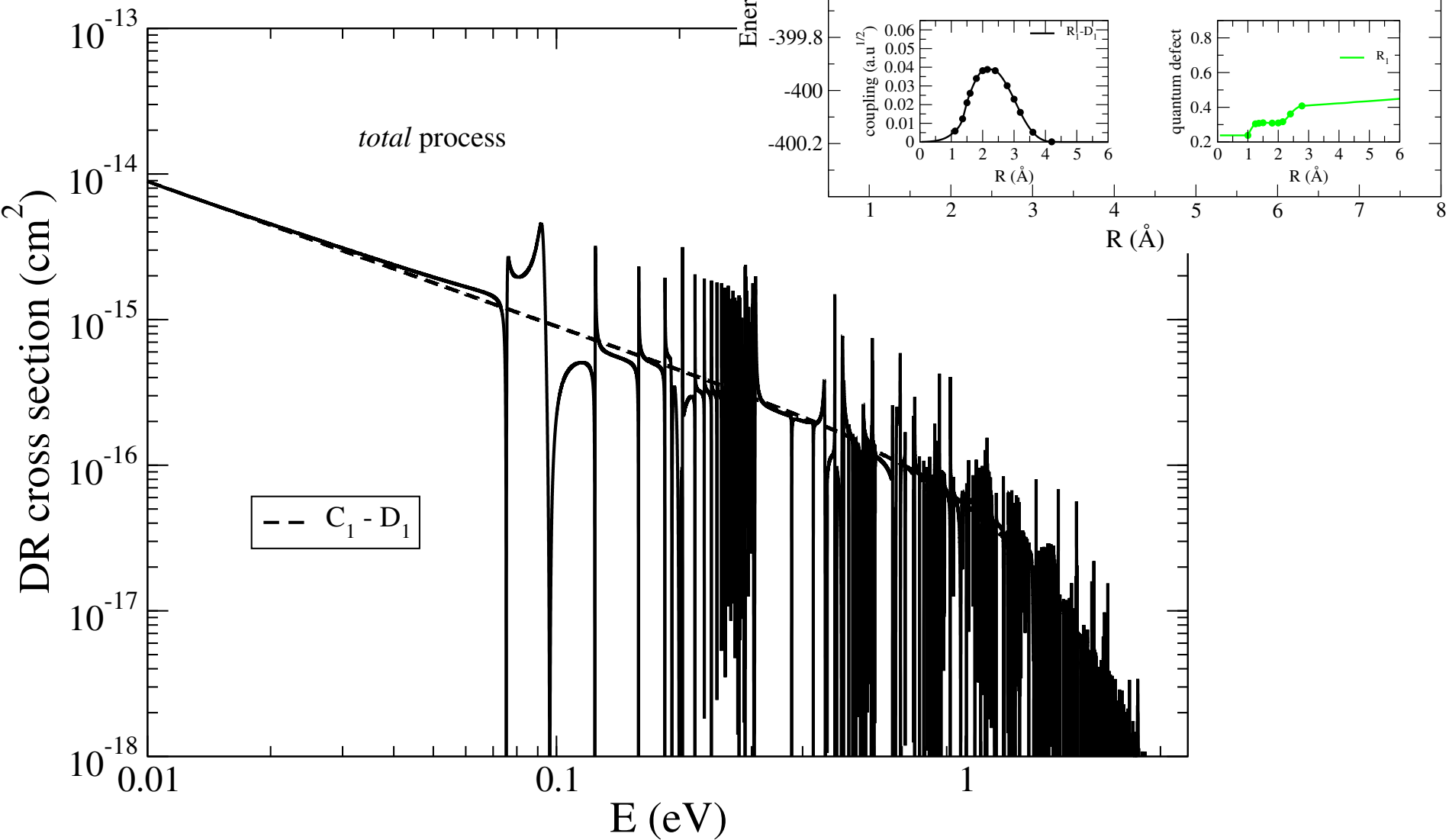
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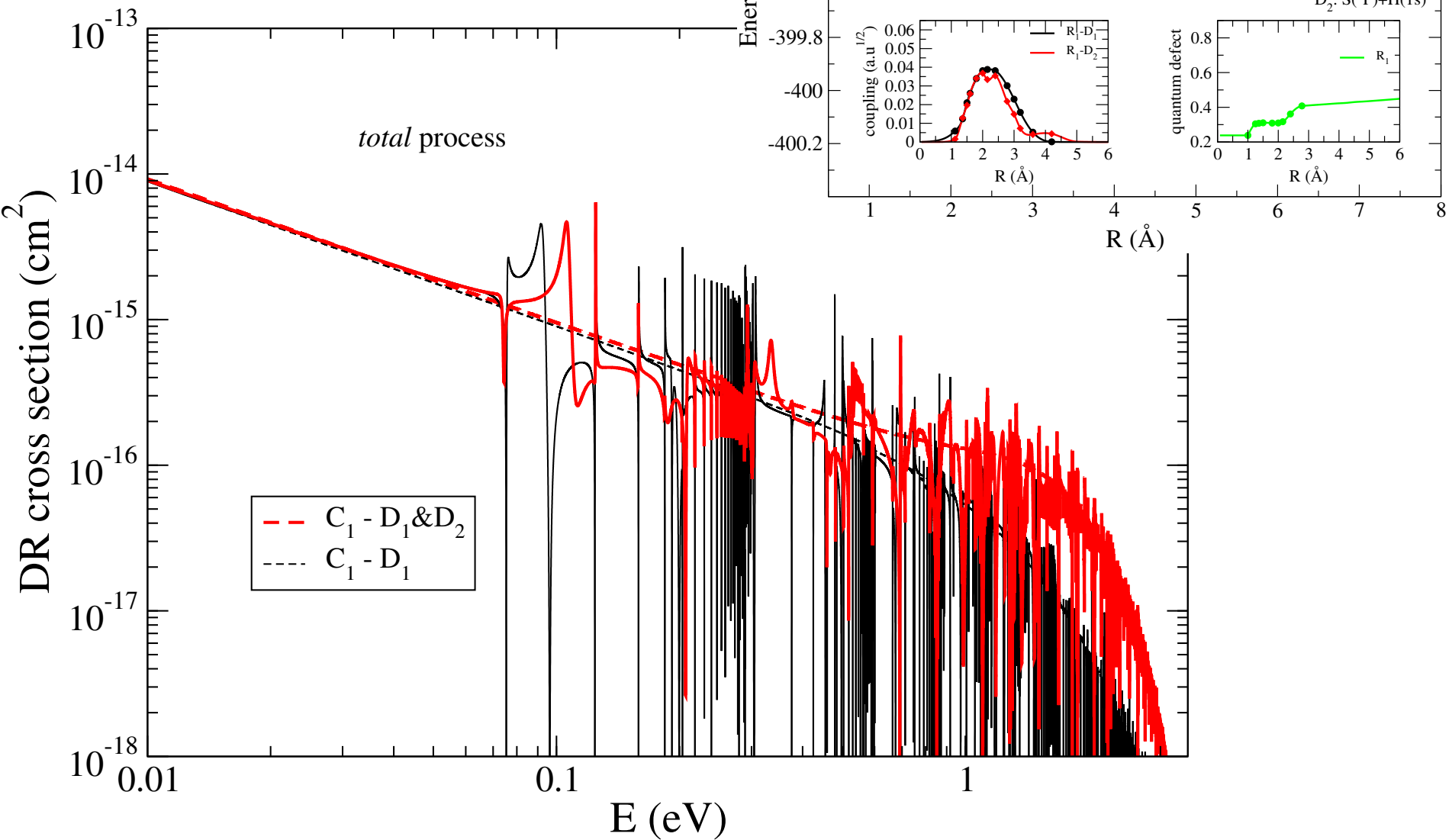
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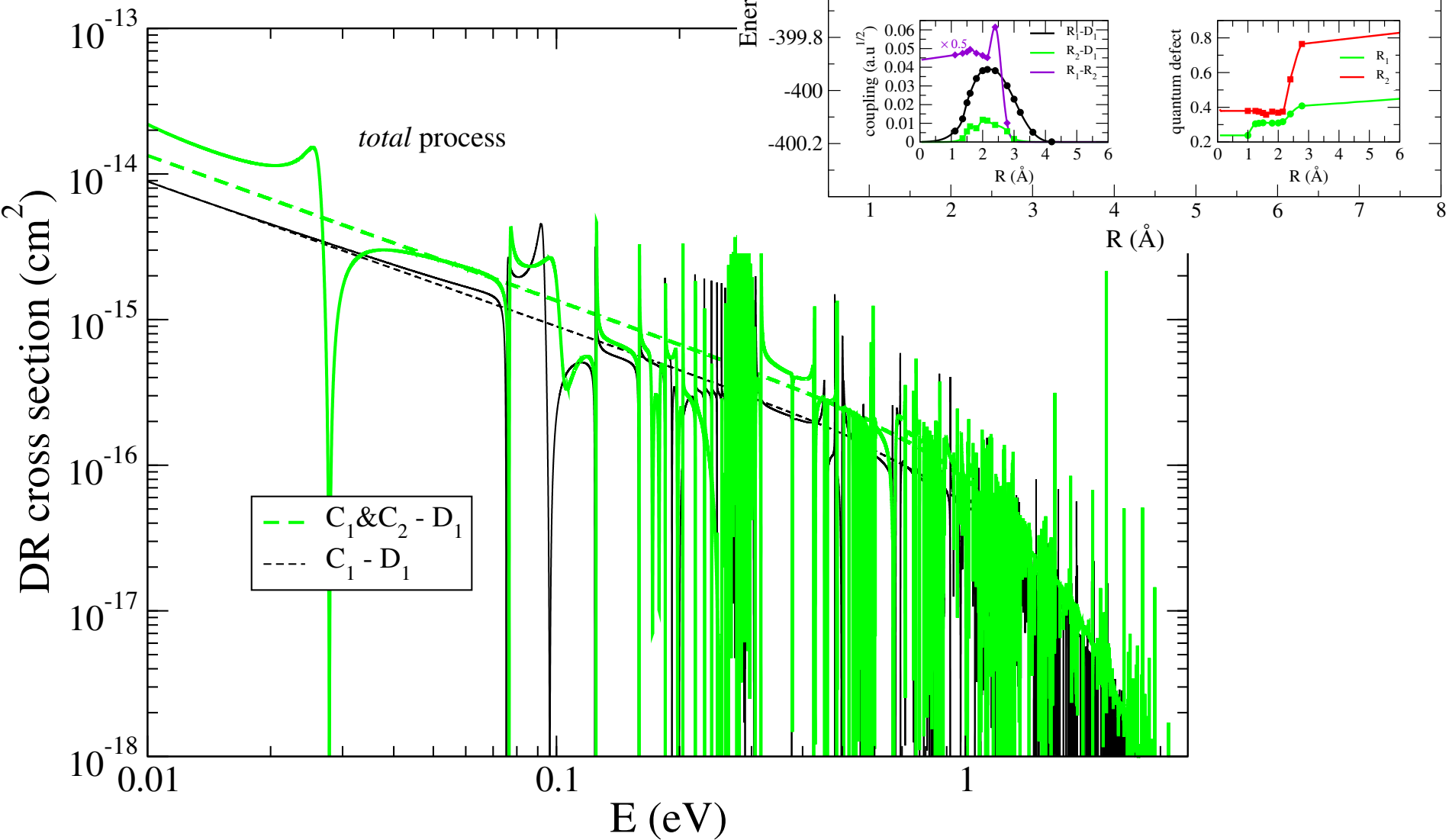
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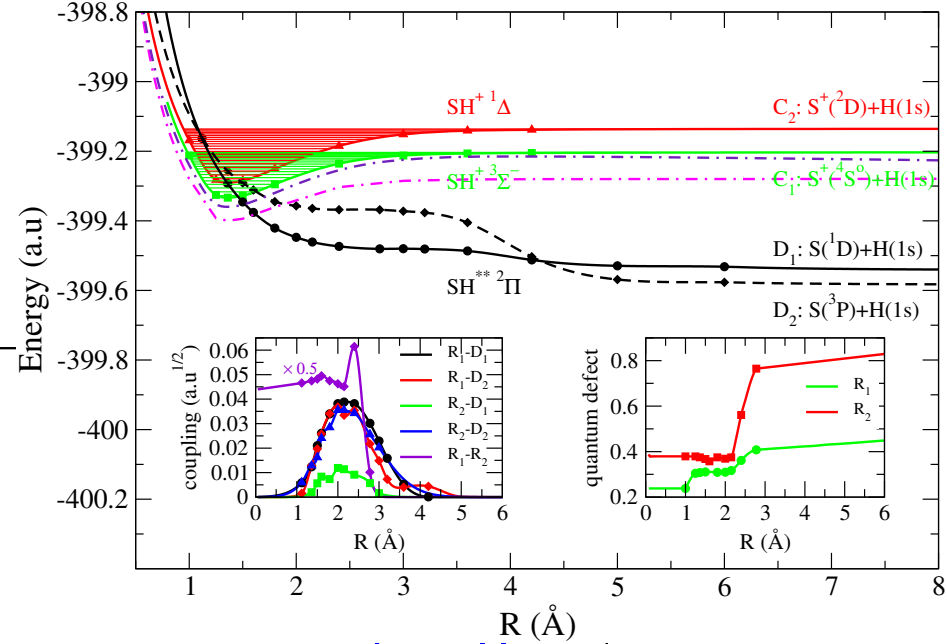
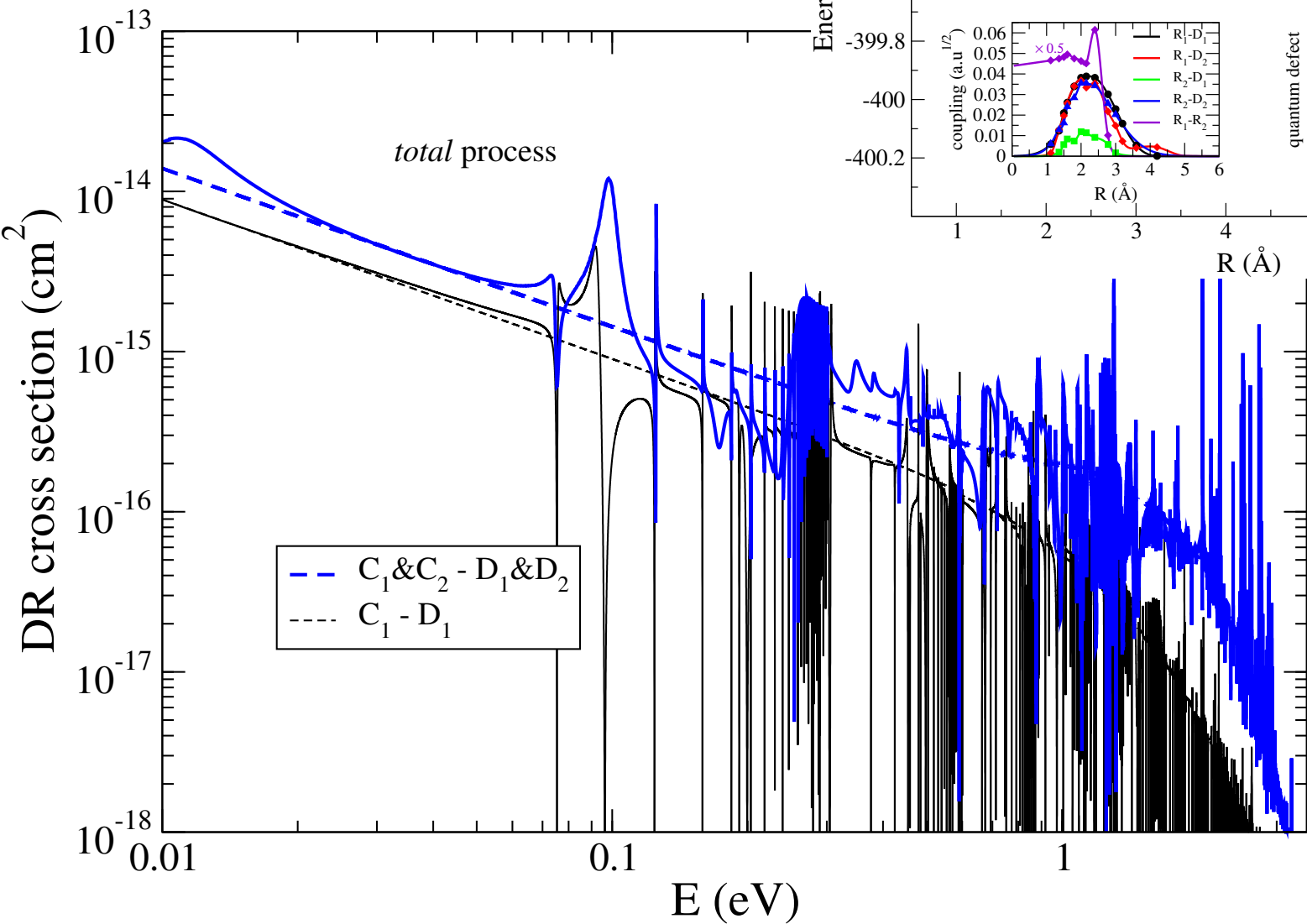
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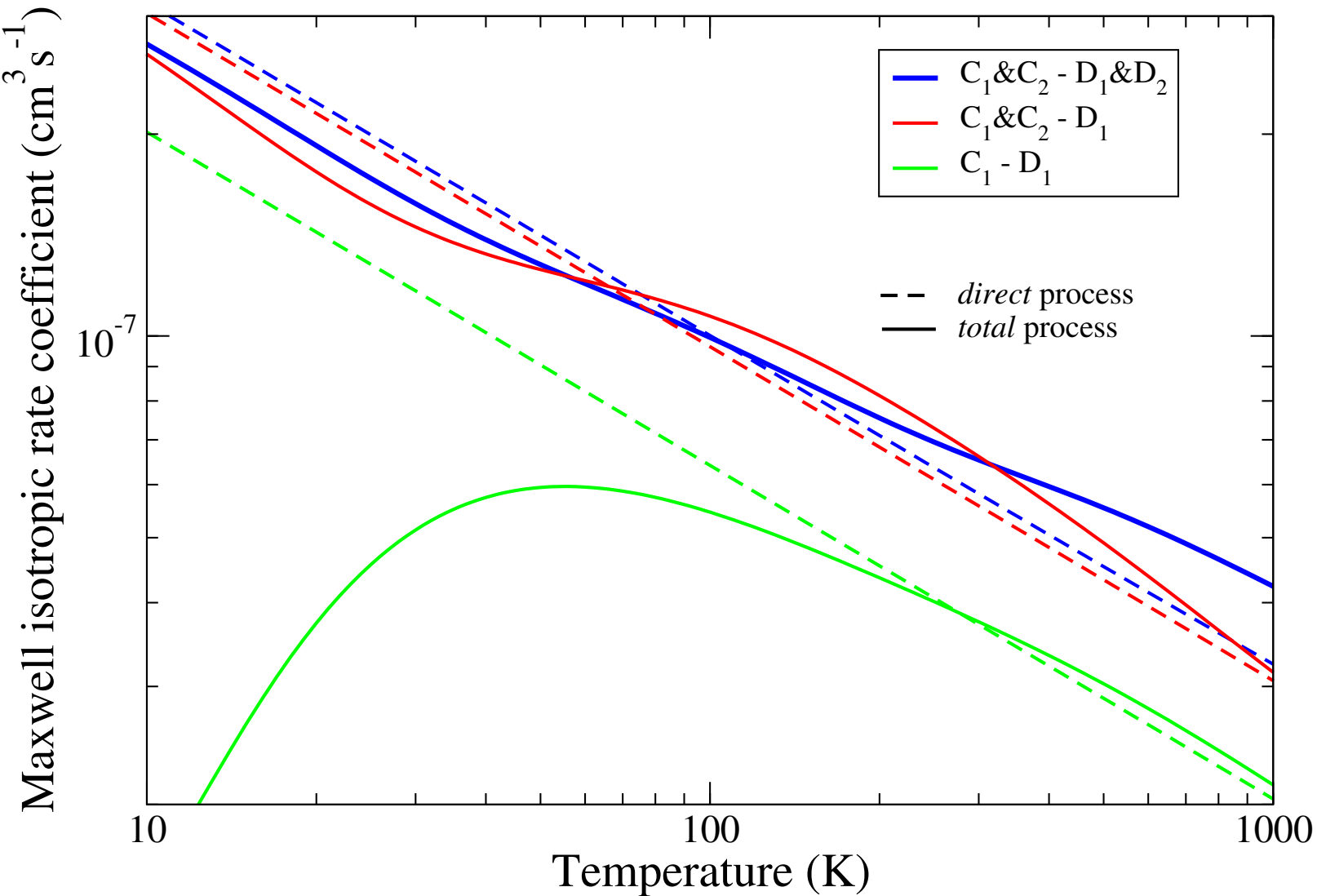


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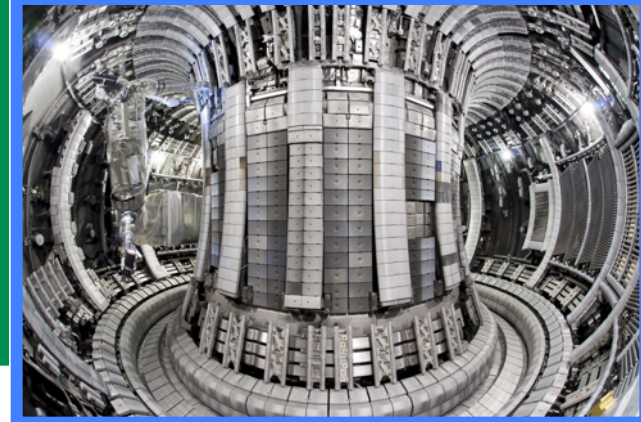
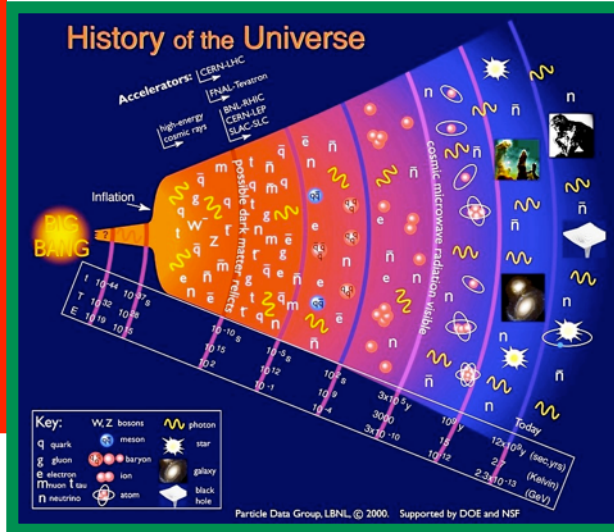


SH⁺: DR rate

$$\alpha(T) = \left(\frac{m_e}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \int_0^\infty \sigma(v) v \exp \left(-\frac{m_e v^2}{2kT} \right) 4\pi v^2 dv$$



Results: The most abundant molecule



Densities $\sim 10^5 - 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 $T \sim 30000 \text{ K} - 0.003 \text{ K}$

Warm ionized medium (densities $\sim 0.3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ - $T \sim 10000 - 8000 \text{ K}$)
 Warm neutral medium (densities $\sim 0.3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ - $T \sim 8000 \text{ K}$)
 Cold neutral medium (densities $\sim 30 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ - $T \sim 50 \text{ K}$)
 Molecular clouds (densities $> 100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ - $T > 10 \text{ K}$)

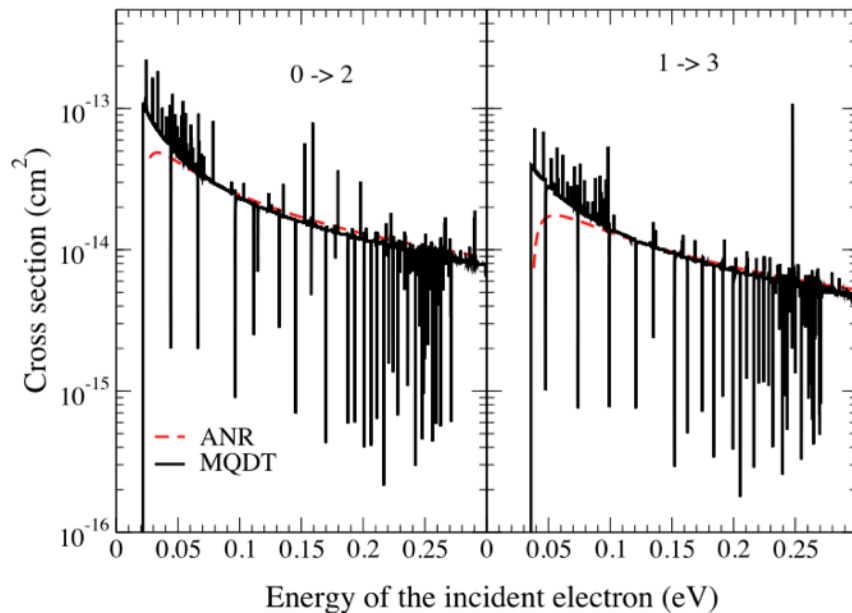
Some orders of magnitude :

- * $n_e = 10^8 - 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ($< 10^{-2}$ and more often $< 10^{-5}$)
- * $\langle \epsilon_e \rangle = 1 - 10 \text{ eV}$
- * $T_{\text{gas}} = 300 - 6000 \text{ K}$
- * ' T_v ' = 1000 - 5000 K (molecular gases)

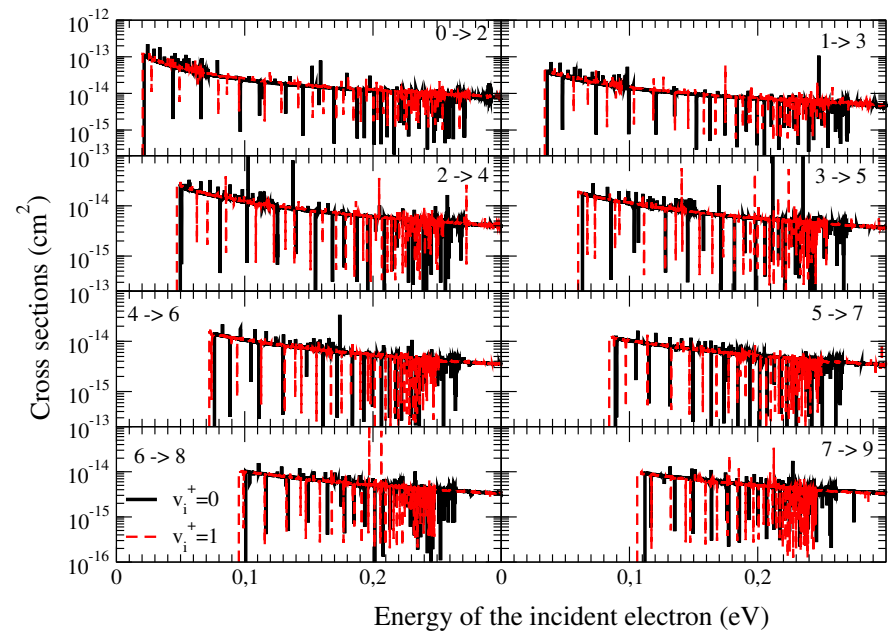
Results: The most abundant molecule @ low temperatures

➤ Rotational excitation

ANR: Faure & Tennyson MNRAS (2001)



➤ Dissociative recombination



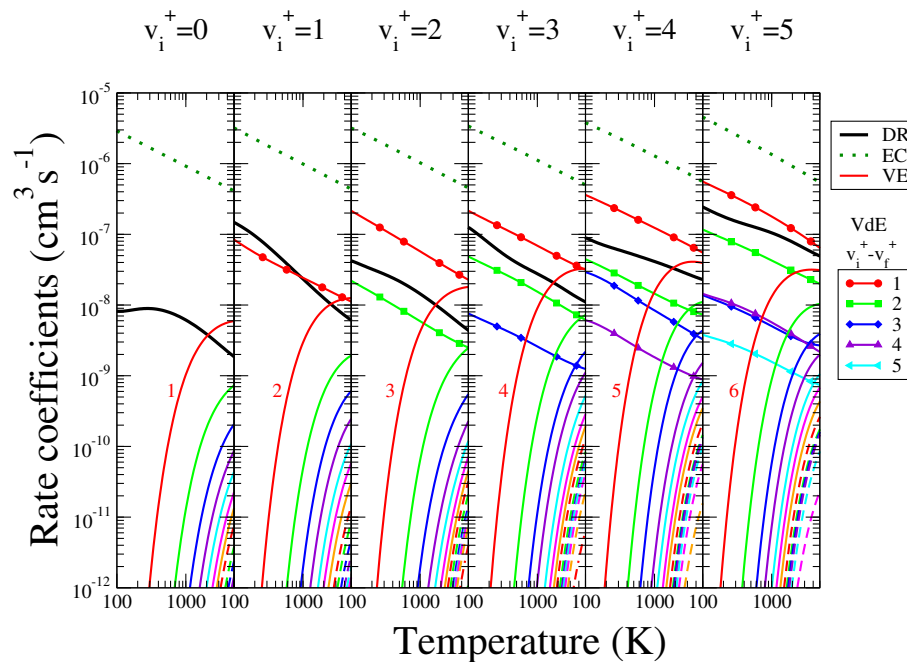
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Reactive collisions of very low-energy electrons with H₂⁺: rotational transitions and dissociative recombination

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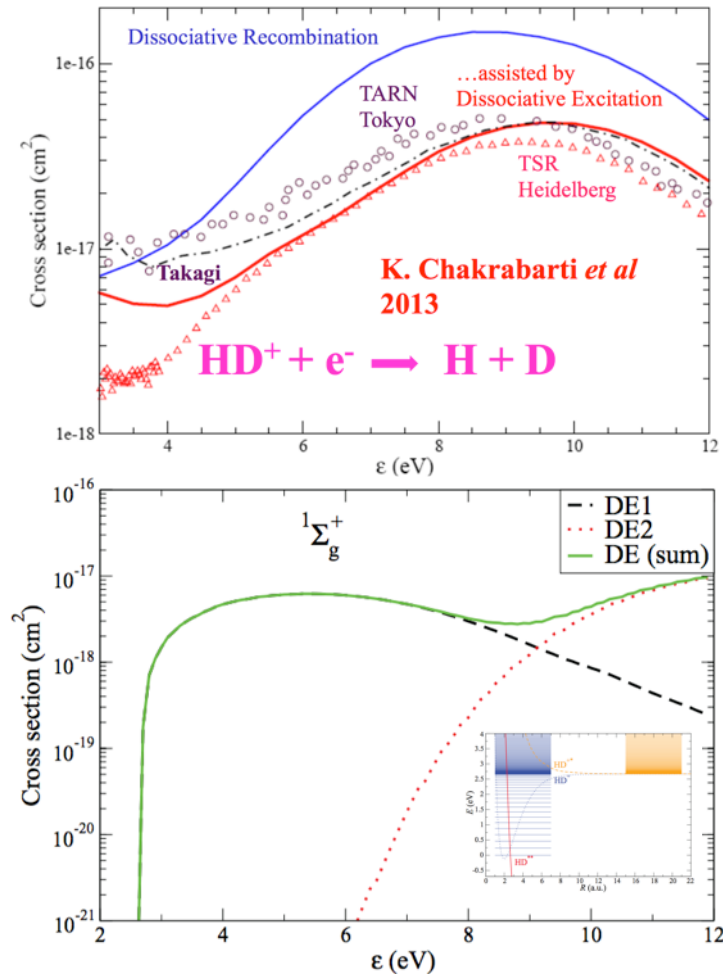
and its isotopologues

Results: **The most abundant molecule** *@ medium temperatures*



in progress for its isotopologues

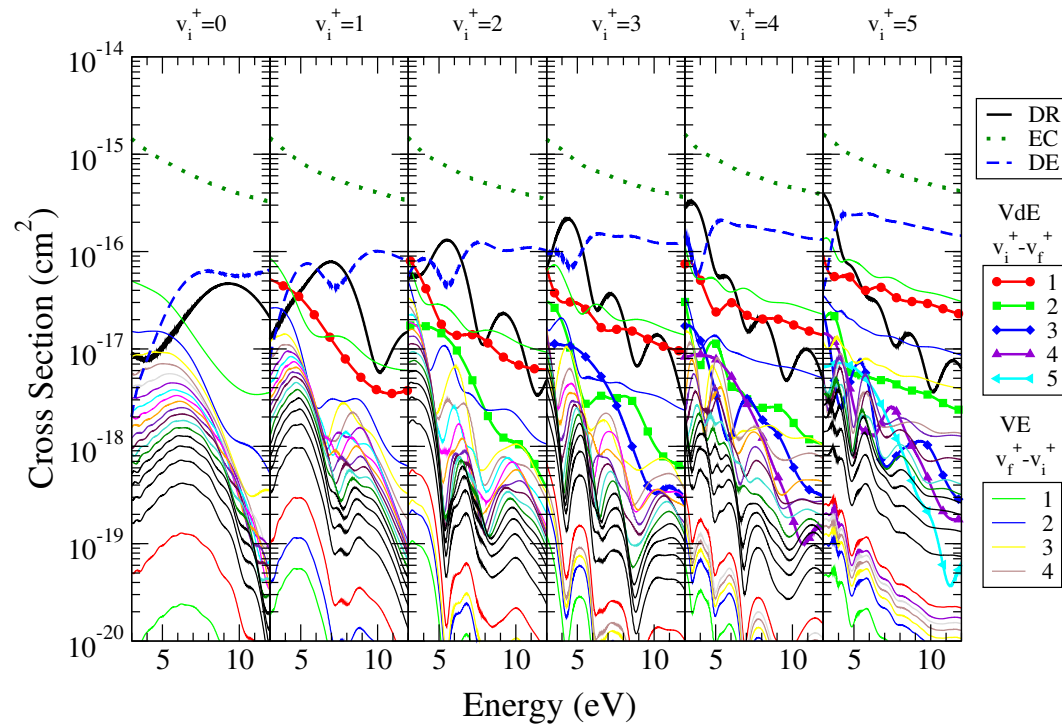
Results: The most abundant molecule @ high temperatures



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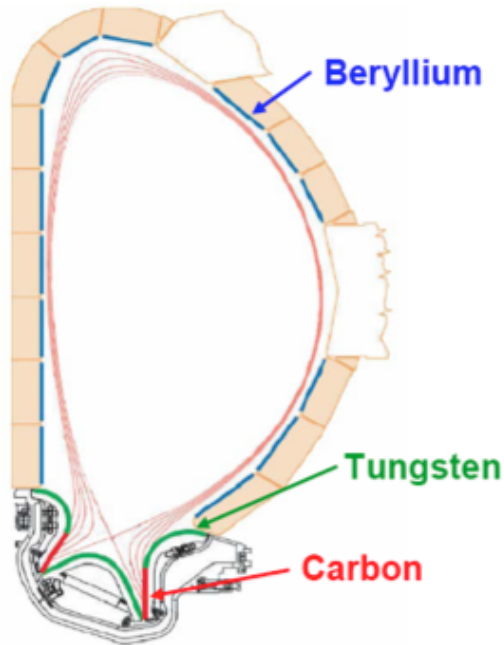
Dissociative recombination of electrons with diatomic molecular cations above dissociation threshold: Application to H_2^+ and HD^+

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in progress for its isotopologues

Results: Molecules in fusion experiments



Wall materials

- ITER: Be, W and C
- ASDEX Upgrade: W
- ITER like wall of JET: Be, W
- Boronization of the walls (impurities, recycling)

Low temperatures in the plasma edge
⇒ formation of molecules

Recycling at the wall

H₂, D₂, T₂, HD, HT, DT

Plasma wall interaction

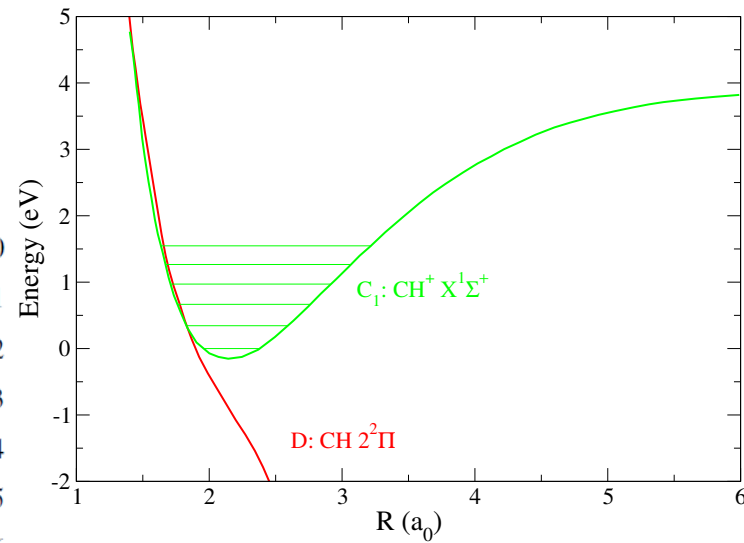
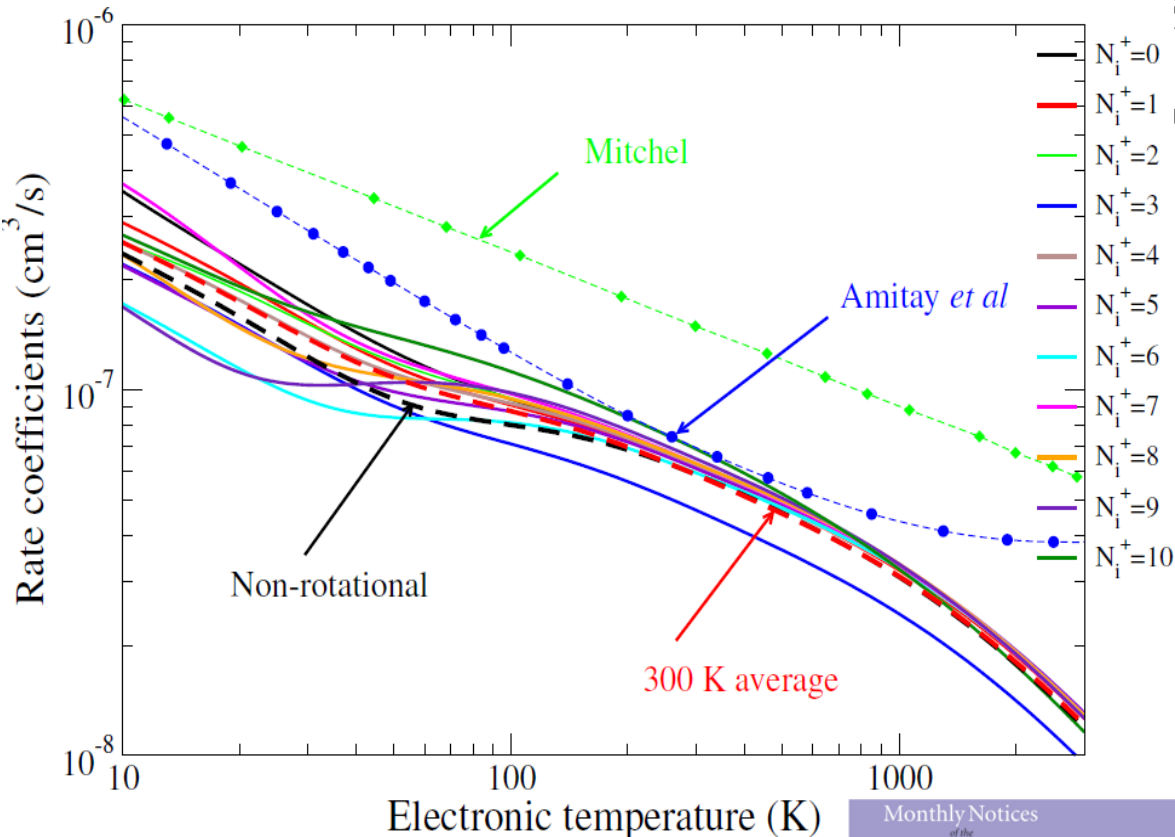
CH, CD, CT, C₂

BeH, BeD, BeT

BH, BD, BT



Results: CH^+



Dissociative recombination

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@ low temperatures

State-to-state chemistry and rotational excitation of CH^+ in photon-dominated regions

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Results: CH^+

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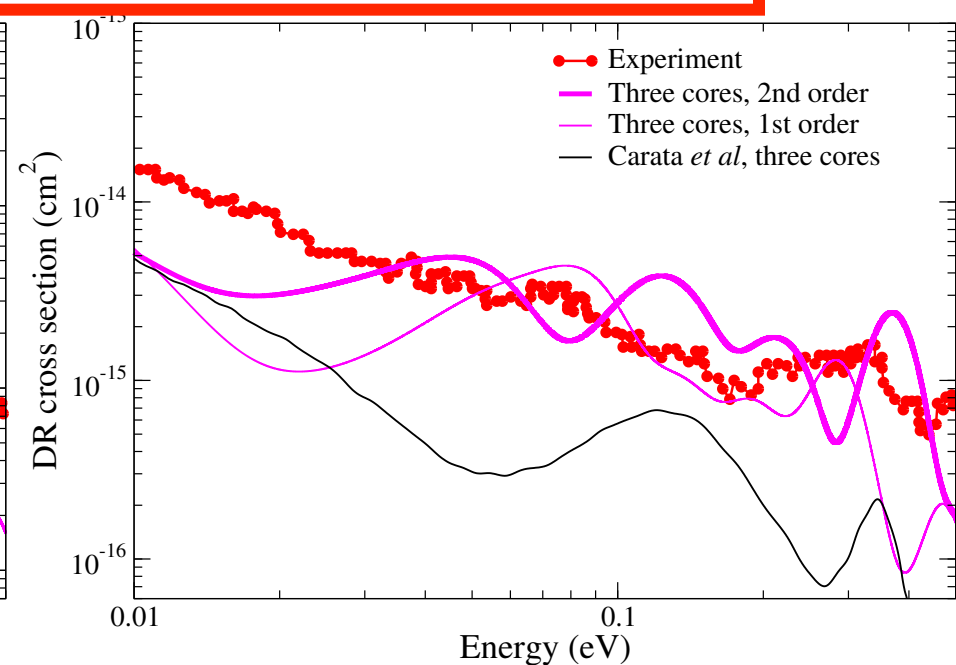
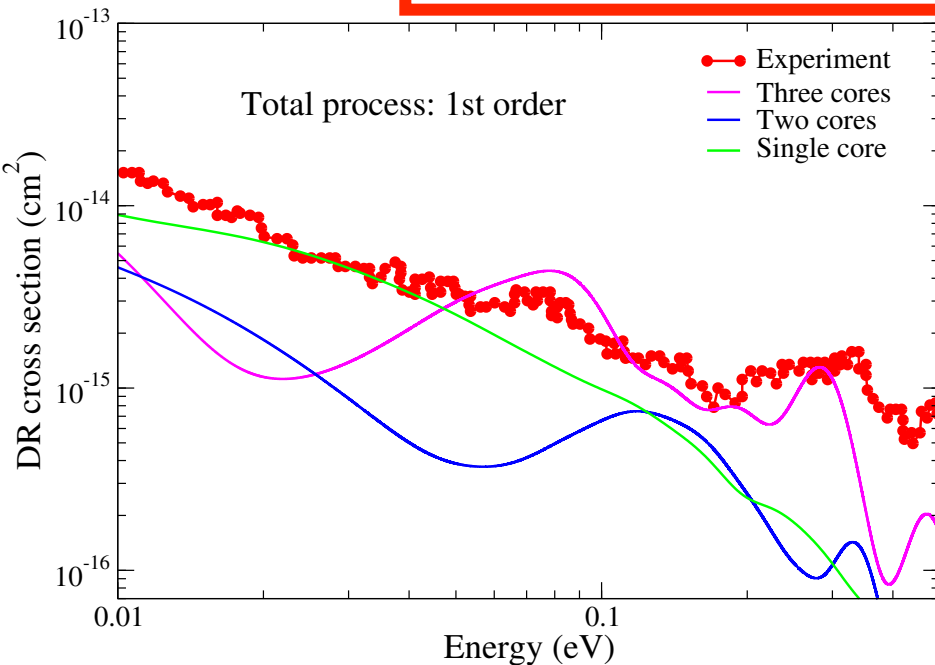
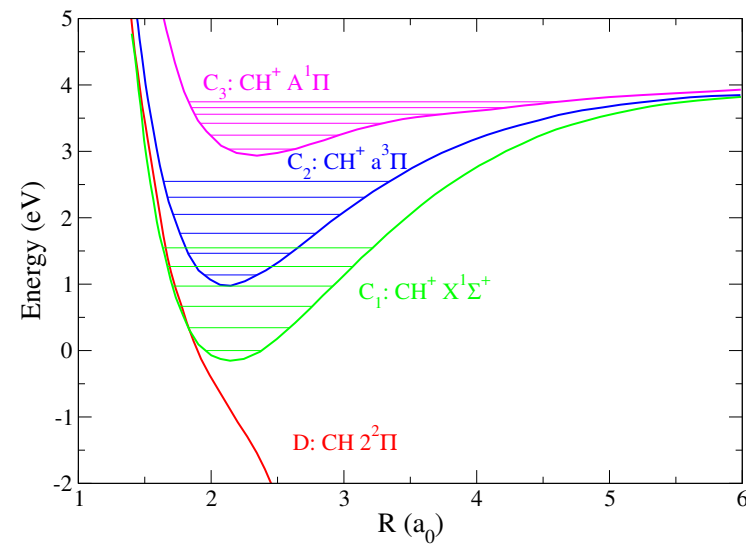
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Dissociative recombination of the CH^+ molecular ion at low energy

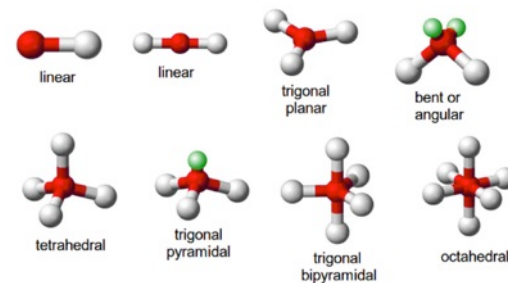
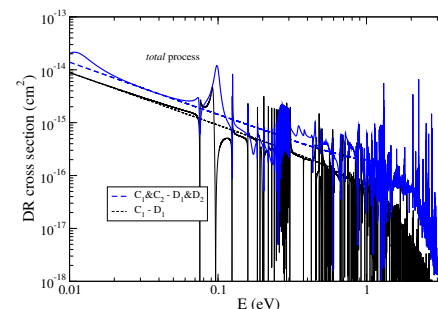
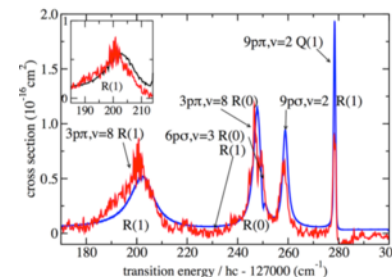
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Poster of N. Pop *et al* and K. Chakrabarti *et al*.



Conclusions

- MQDT: state-to-state calculations
- Temporary captures into super-excited states: **HUGE RESONANT EFFECTS**
- Data needs: di- and poly-atomics



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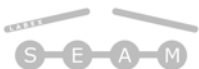


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