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Quasi-Classical Results of Reactions Involving the Formation and Transformation of H₃⁺

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Abstract

Quasi-Classical studies of the H₃⁺ formation reaction[1]H₂ + H⁺ → H + H₃⁺

and the exchange reaction[2]

H₂+H₃⁺ → H₃⁺ + H₂

will be presented, on full dimensional potential energy surfaces[3,4]. In the first case, the non-adiabatic effects are studied using the Molecular Dynamics with Quantum Transitions[5] as a function of the translational energy and vibrational excitation of H₂⁺.

In the H₅⁺ system, the statistical approach of Park and Light[6] is extended by performing quassiclassical trajectories, including an approximate method to account for the zero point energy[2], to calculate the identity/hop/exchange probabilities. This allows to describe the transition between full scrambling statistical behavior, characteristic at low temperatures, and a more direct hop mechanism at higher temperatures.

Comparison with experimental results[7,8] will be also discussed.

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