Vibrational emission of CH+ in the planetary nebula NGC 7027

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Cox et al. (2002) Mékarnia et al. (2005)

Vibrational bands of CH+



Neufeld et al. (in prep.)

Are we able to explain such emission ?

What does it tell us regarding microphysical processes ?

What information can we derive on the source itself?

astrochemical model

spherical PDR cloud

Meudon PDR Le Petit et al. (2006)

- entire energetic structure of CH+
- all excitation processes





Godard & Cernicharo (2013)



radiative (de)excitation

inclusion of dipole moment functions



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collisional (de)excitation



chemical pumping

$C^+ + H_2(v, J) \to CH^+(v', J') + H$



repartition

 $\propto (2J'+1)\exp(-E/T)$ $\propto (2J'+1)$

if $E = E_r + E_{CH^+(v',J')} - E_{H_2(v,J)} < 0$ otherwise

main excitation pathways



model parameters

- source distance = 980 pc
- spherical shell
- ionization front = 0.022 pc
- v_{exp} = 20 km s⁻¹
- T_S = 198 000 K
 in practice, parametrized by G₀
- nH = 10⁵ 10⁷ cm⁻³
- [C] = solar to 10 x solar













exploration of parameters



conclusions

source NGC 7027

- 1-0 and 2-1 => optically thick
 => need turbulent velocity
- rovibrational emission
 explained for high density or
 carbon rich environments
- excitation temperature of
 vibrational levels > observed

microphysical processes

- radiative pumping and collisions inefficient
- chemical pumping dominant

<u>discrepancies</u>

chemical pumping formalism?

form of the UV spectrum?

mistake in implementation of spectroscopic data?