



# Out of equilibrium: the interesting case of early Universe chemistry

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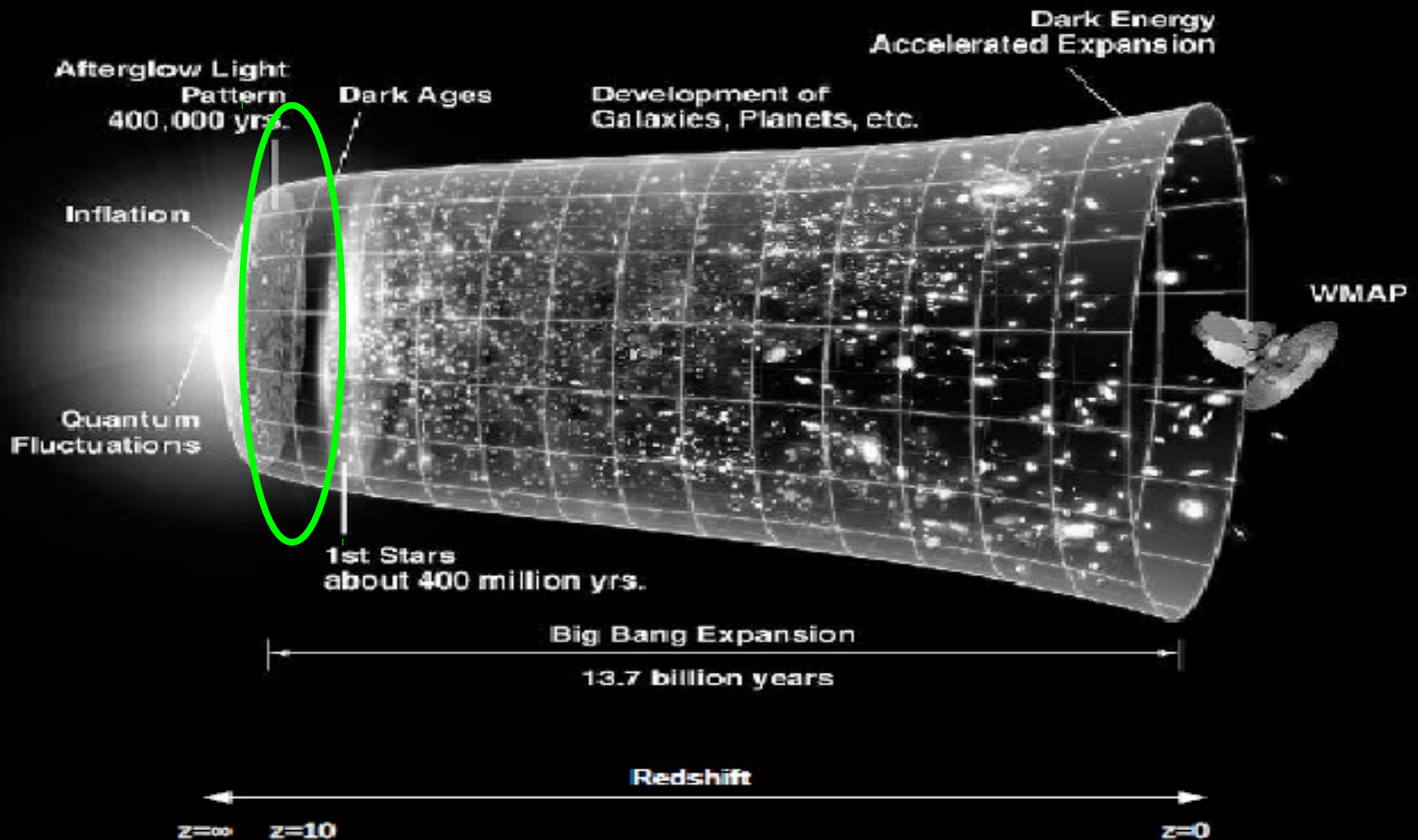
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## OUTLINE:

1. **early Universe: the “standard” chemistry**
2. **non-equilibrium distributions**
  - molecular internal states resolution:
    - vibration;
  - spectral distortions:
    - primordial atomic recombination;
    - molecular processes
3. **“modified” chemistry**

# UNIVERSE HISTORY...



# KINETIC MODELS: CHEMICAL SPECIES (I)

$H^+$	$D^+$	$HD^+$
H	D	HD
$H^-$	$D^-$	$H_3^+$ $H_2D^+$
$He^{++}$ He	$He^+$	$HeH^+$
Li	$Li^+$	LiH $LiH^+$
$Li^-$		$H_2^+$ $H_2$
$e^-$	$\gamma$	

## KINETIC MODELS: A BRIEF OVERVIEW... (II)

'60s: studies on elementary processes useful in molecular hydrogen formation in the early Universe  
(Saslaw & Zipoy (1967), Peebles & Dicke (1968))

Chemical kinetics in the early Universe (very few examples...):

Dalgarno & Lepp (1987)

Black (1990)

Shapiro (1992)

Puy et al. (1993,1996)

Dalgarno & Fox (1994)

Lepp, Stancil & Dalgarno (1996), Lepp & Stancil (1998)

Bougleux & Galli (1997)

Galli & Palla (1998, 2002)

Schleicher et al. (2008)

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## KINETIC MODEL: ODEs SYSTEM (III)

$$\frac{dn_i}{dt} = k_{form} n_j n_k - k_{dest} n_i + \dots$$

$$\frac{dn_i}{dz} = \frac{dt}{dz} \frac{dn_i}{dt}$$

$$n(z) = \Omega_b n_{cr} (1+z)^3$$

# KINETIC MODEL: CHEMICAL PROCESSES (IV)

MASSIVE PARTICLES  
SCATTERING

$$k(T) = \left(\frac{2}{k_B T}\right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\pi}} \int_0^\infty dE E e^{-\frac{E}{k_B T}} \sigma(E)$$

$$n_b = 1.123 \times 10 \cdot (1 - Y_p) \Omega_b h^2 (1 + z)^3 \quad [m^{-3}]$$

PHOTONIC  
PROCESSES

$$k_{rad}(T_{rad}) = 4\pi \int_0^\infty \frac{\sigma(\nu)}{h\nu} J_\nu(T_{rad}) d\nu$$

$$J_\nu(T_{rad}) = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT_{rad}} - 1}$$

# KINETIC MODEL: MATTER AND RADIATION TEMPERATURE (V)

$$\frac{dT_m}{dt} = -2H(t)T_m + \frac{8\sigma_t a T_r^4 (T_r - T_m) x_e}{3m_e c} + (\Gamma - \Lambda)_{\text{mol}}$$

$$T_r = 2.7(1 + z)$$

## RECFAST

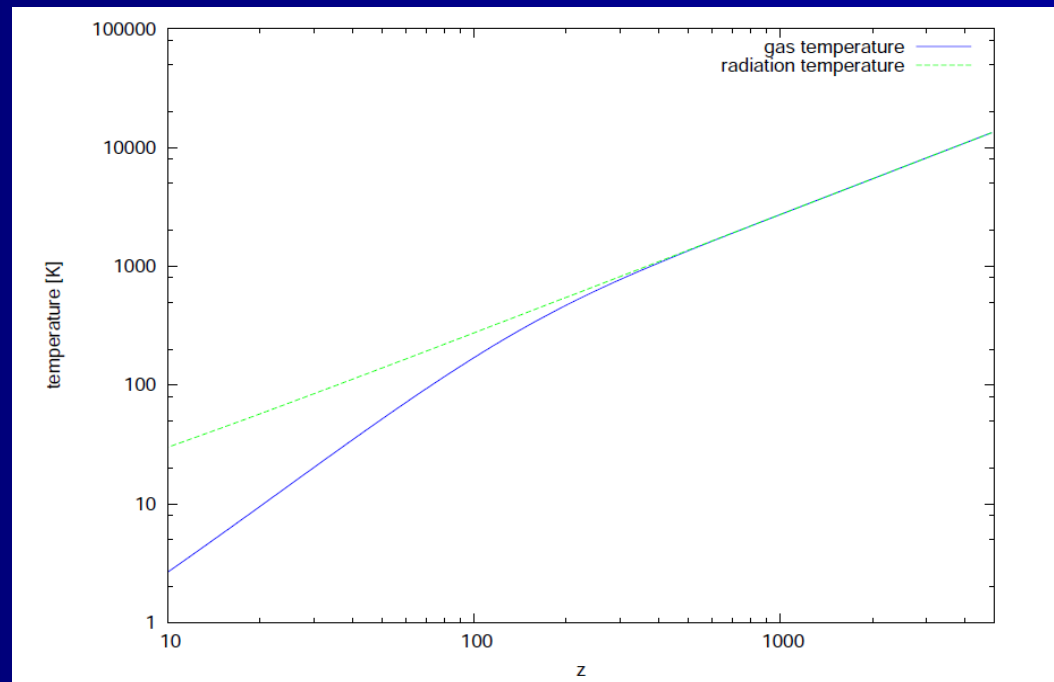
Wong et al.

2008, MNRAS, **386**, 1023-1028

## CosmoRec

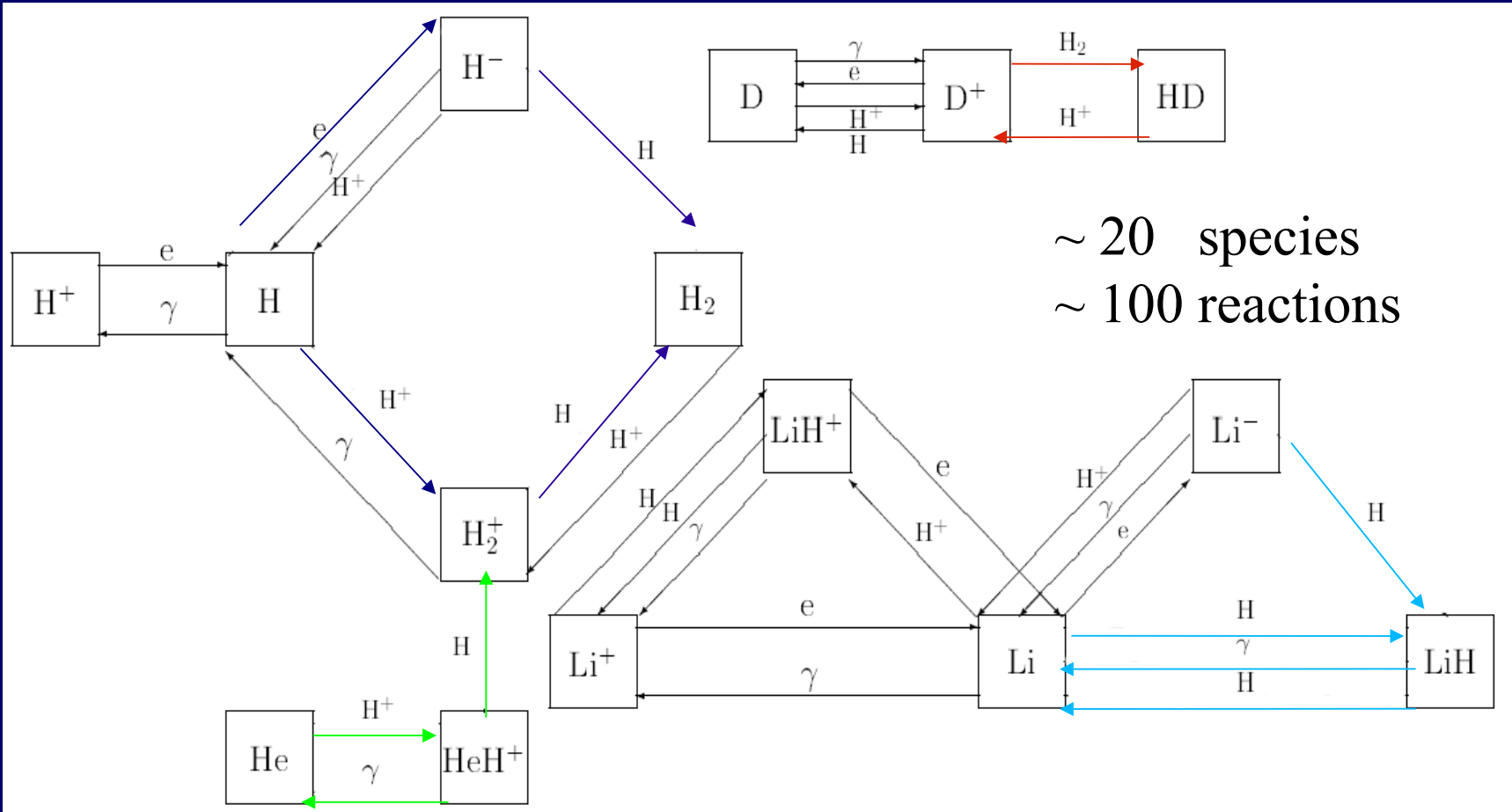
Rubiño Martín et al.

2010, MNRAS, **403**, 439-452



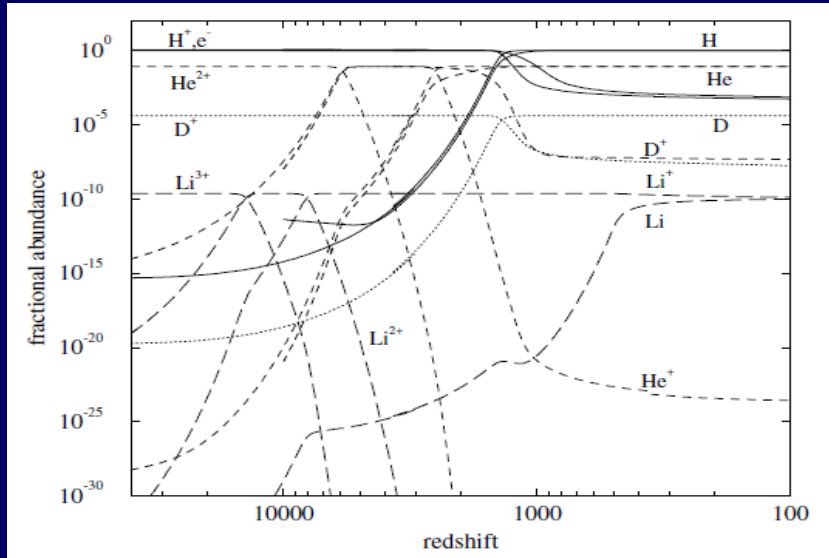


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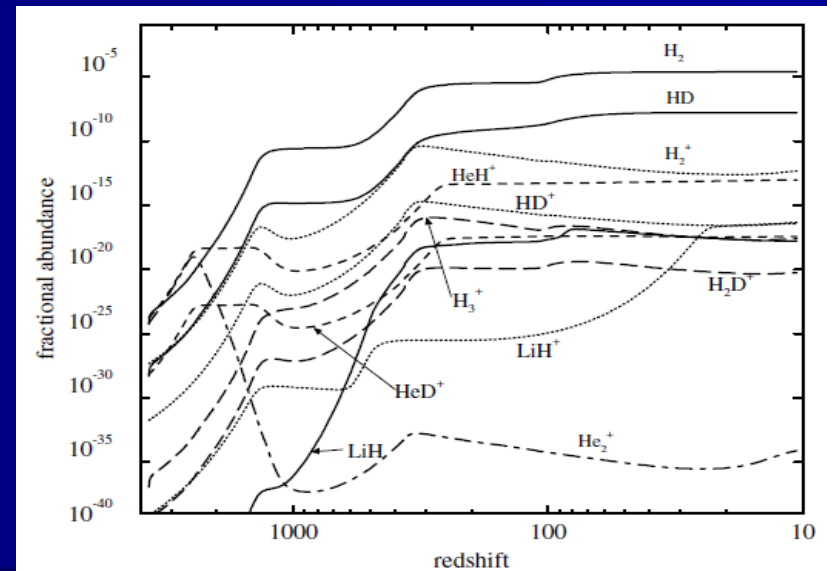


~ 20 species  
~ 100 reactions

# KINETIC MODEL: FRACTIONAL ABUNDANCES (VII)



Lepp, Stancil & Dalgarno,  
2002, J. Phys. B: At. Mol. Opt. Phys. **35**, R57–R80



# BEYOND THE “STANDARD” KINETICS...

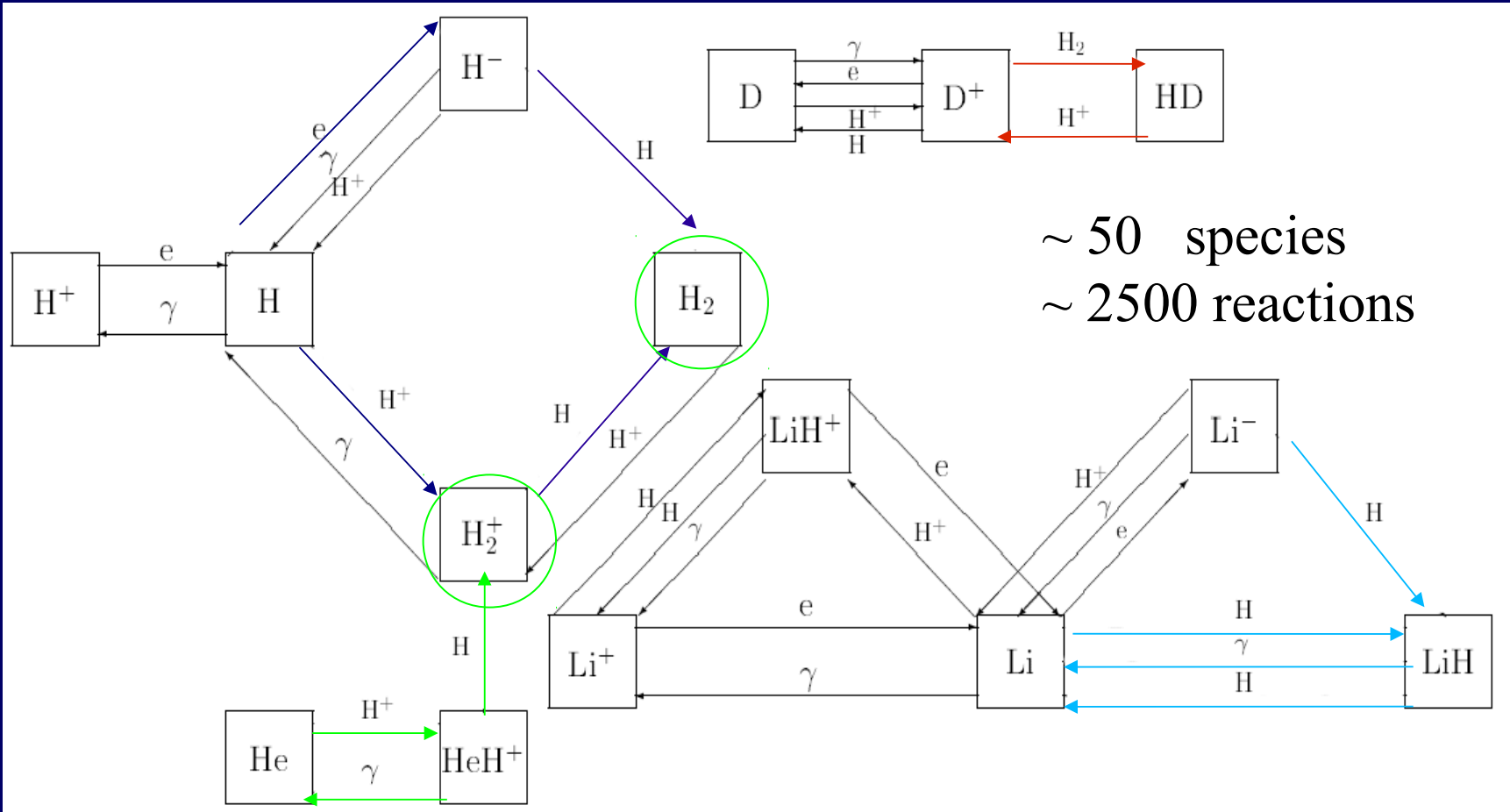
Non-equilibrium effects:

- state-to-state kinetics → Maxwell-Boltzmann's distributions

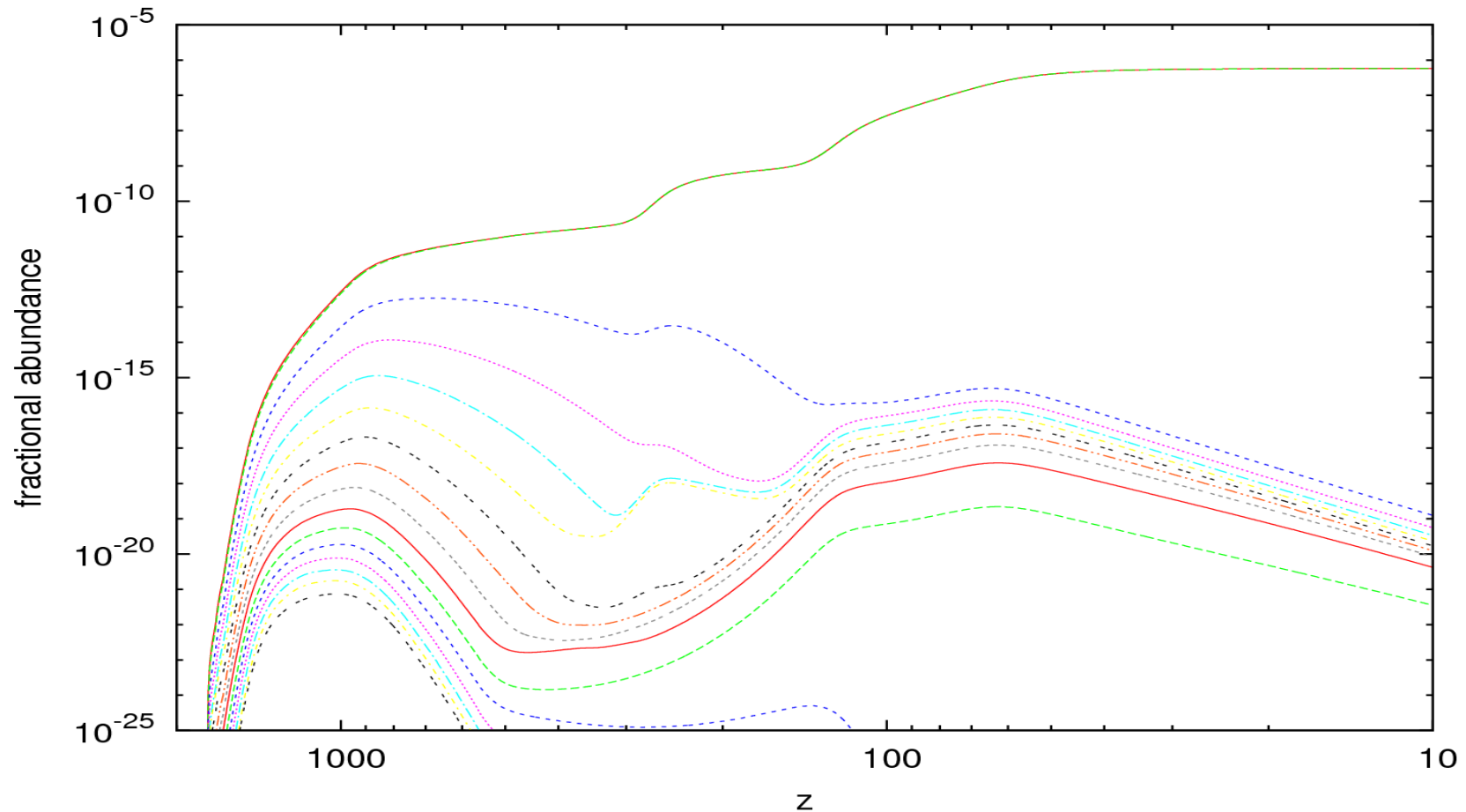
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- CMB photons → Planck's distributions

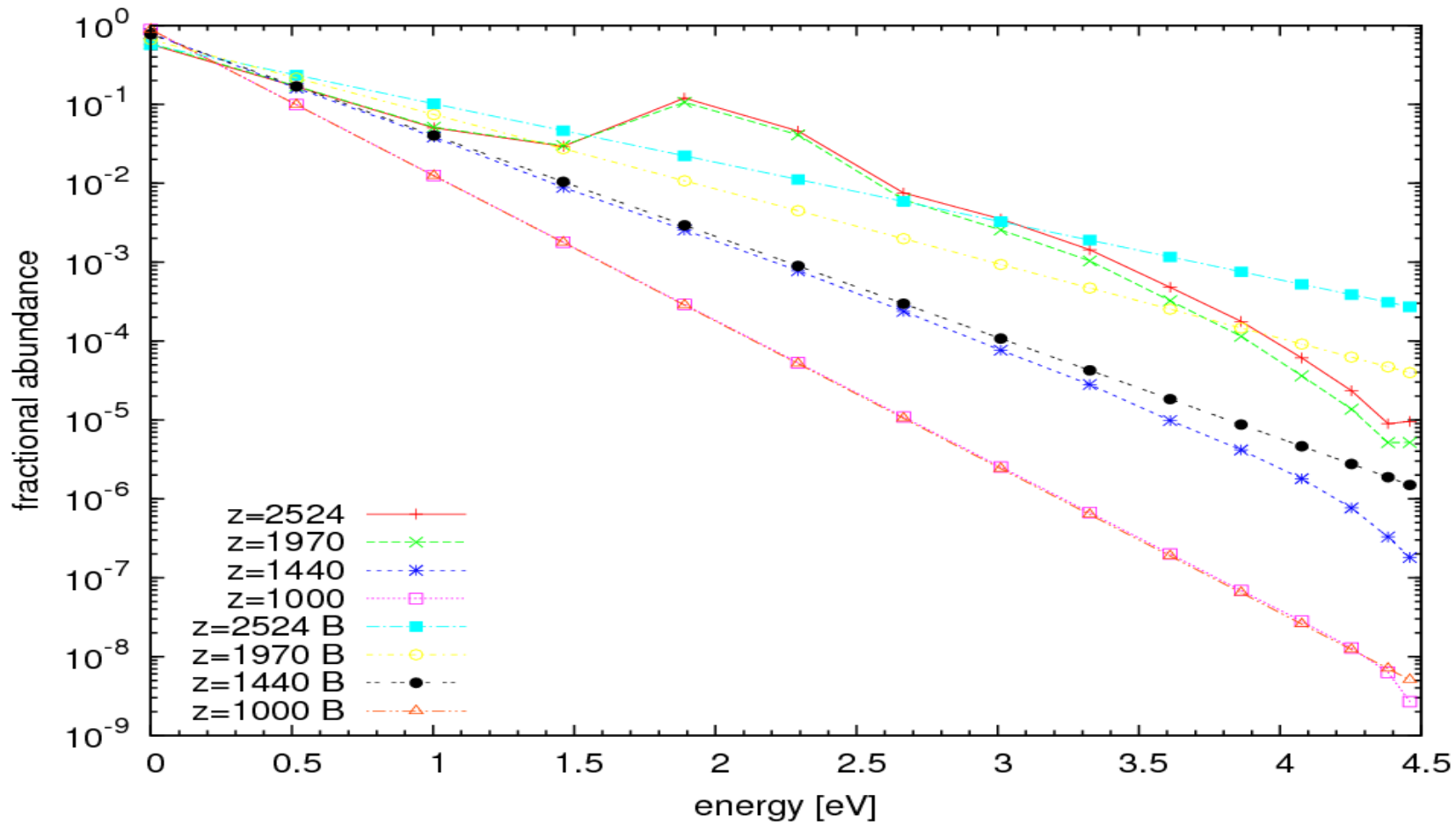
# KINETIC MODEL: STATE-TO-STATE KINETICS (I)



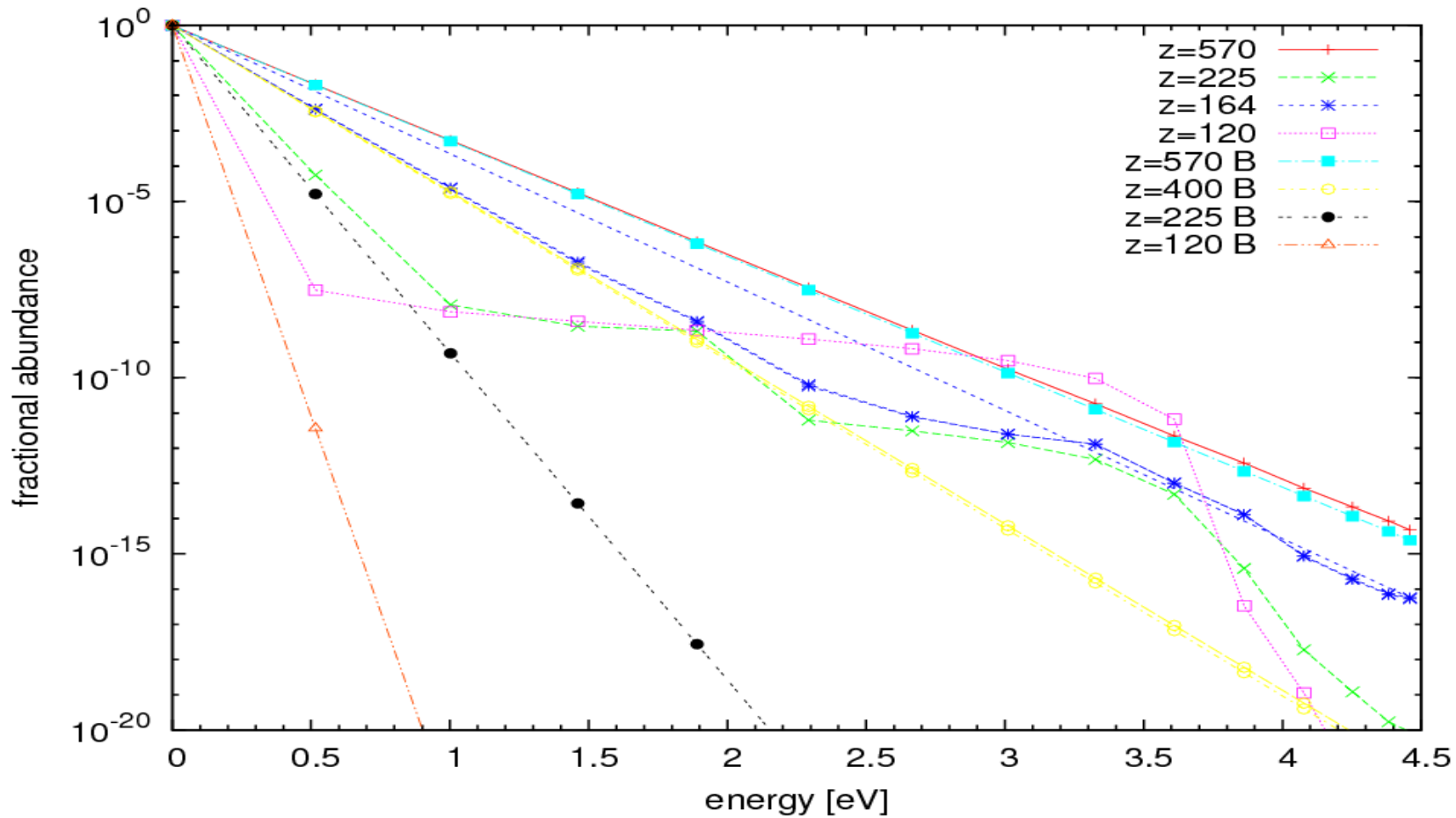
# RESULTS: VDF $H_2$ (I)



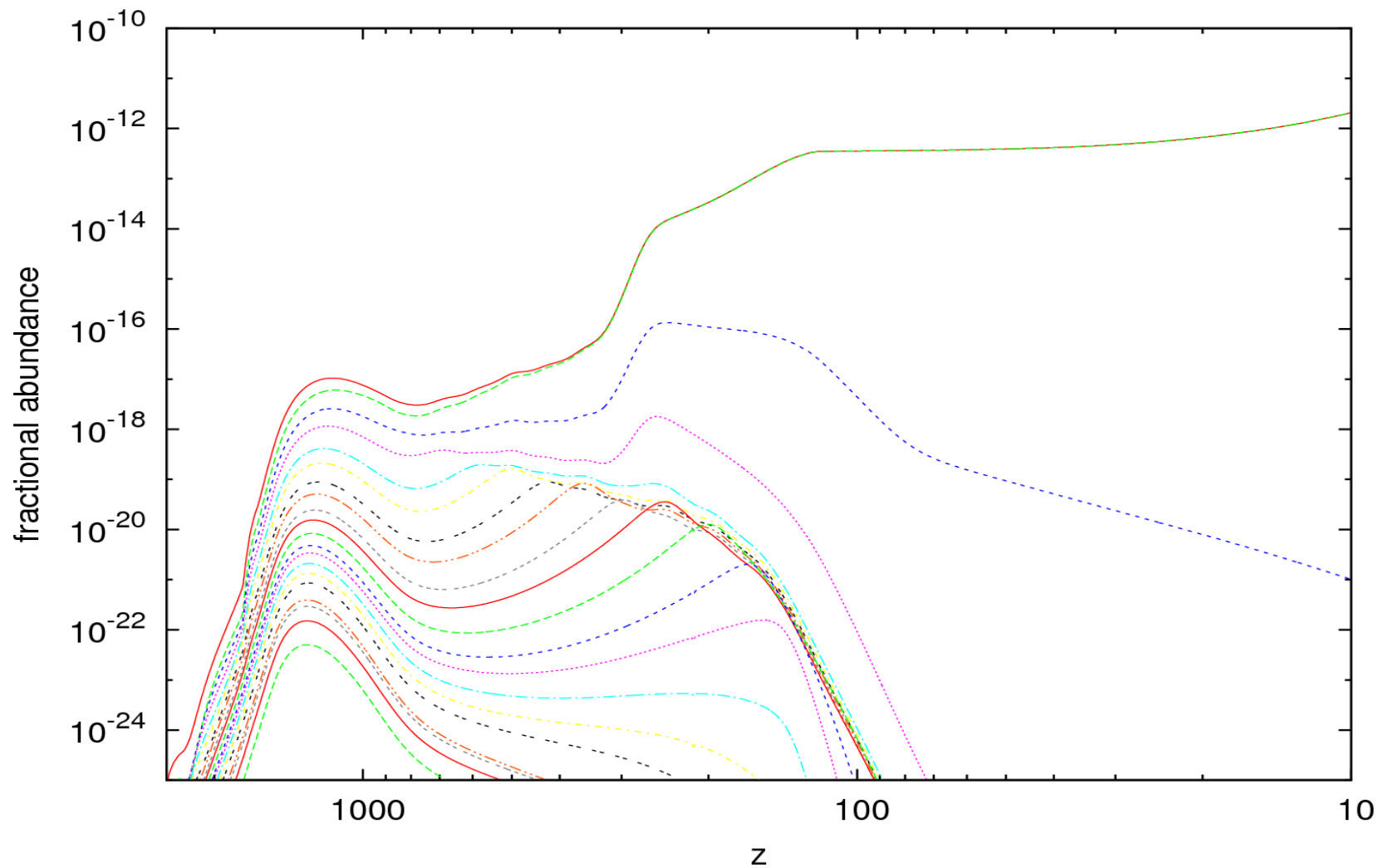
# RESULTS: VDF H<sub>2</sub> (II)



# RESULTS: VDF H<sub>2</sub> (III)

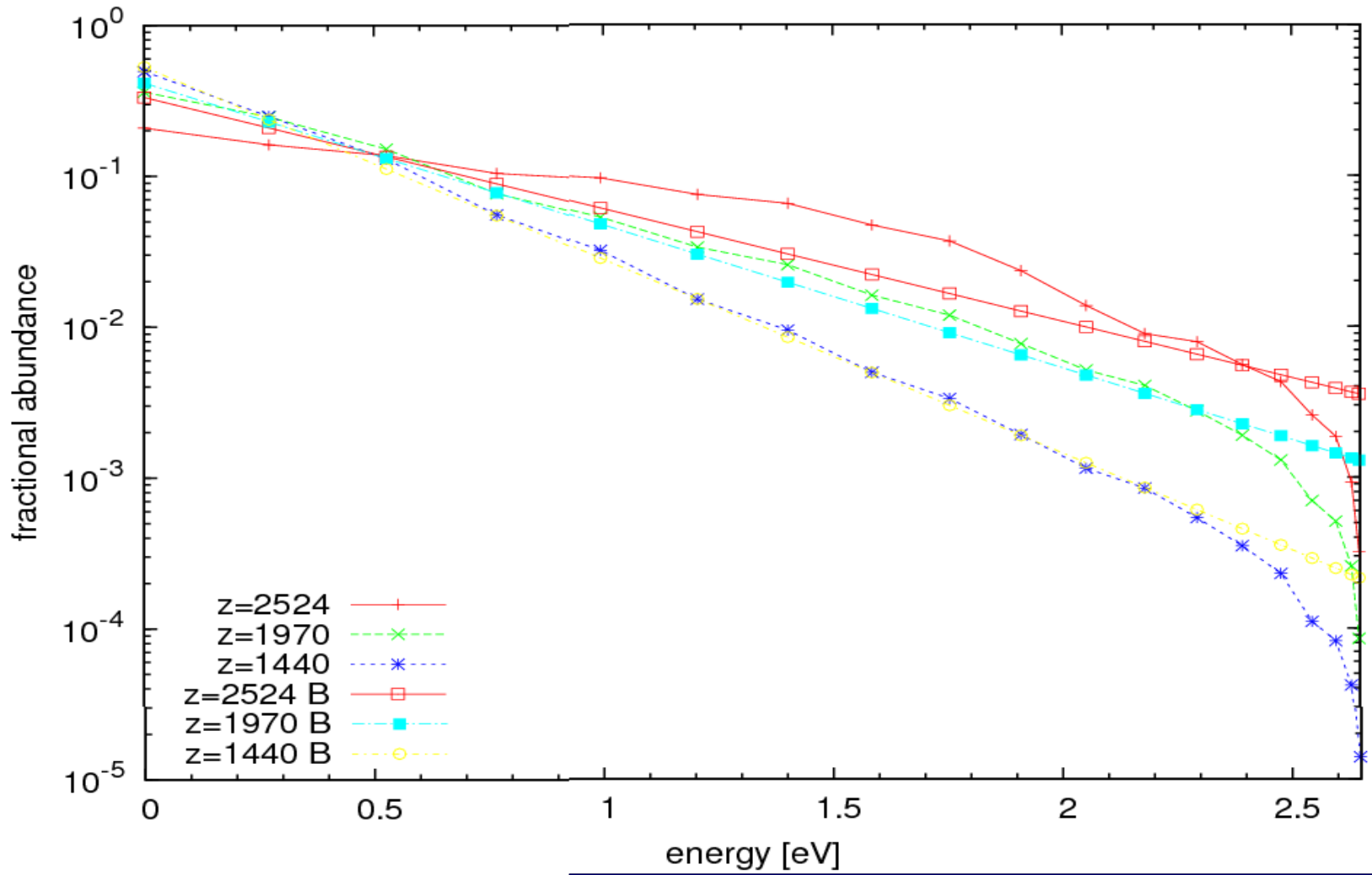


# RESULTS: VDF $H_2^+$ (I)

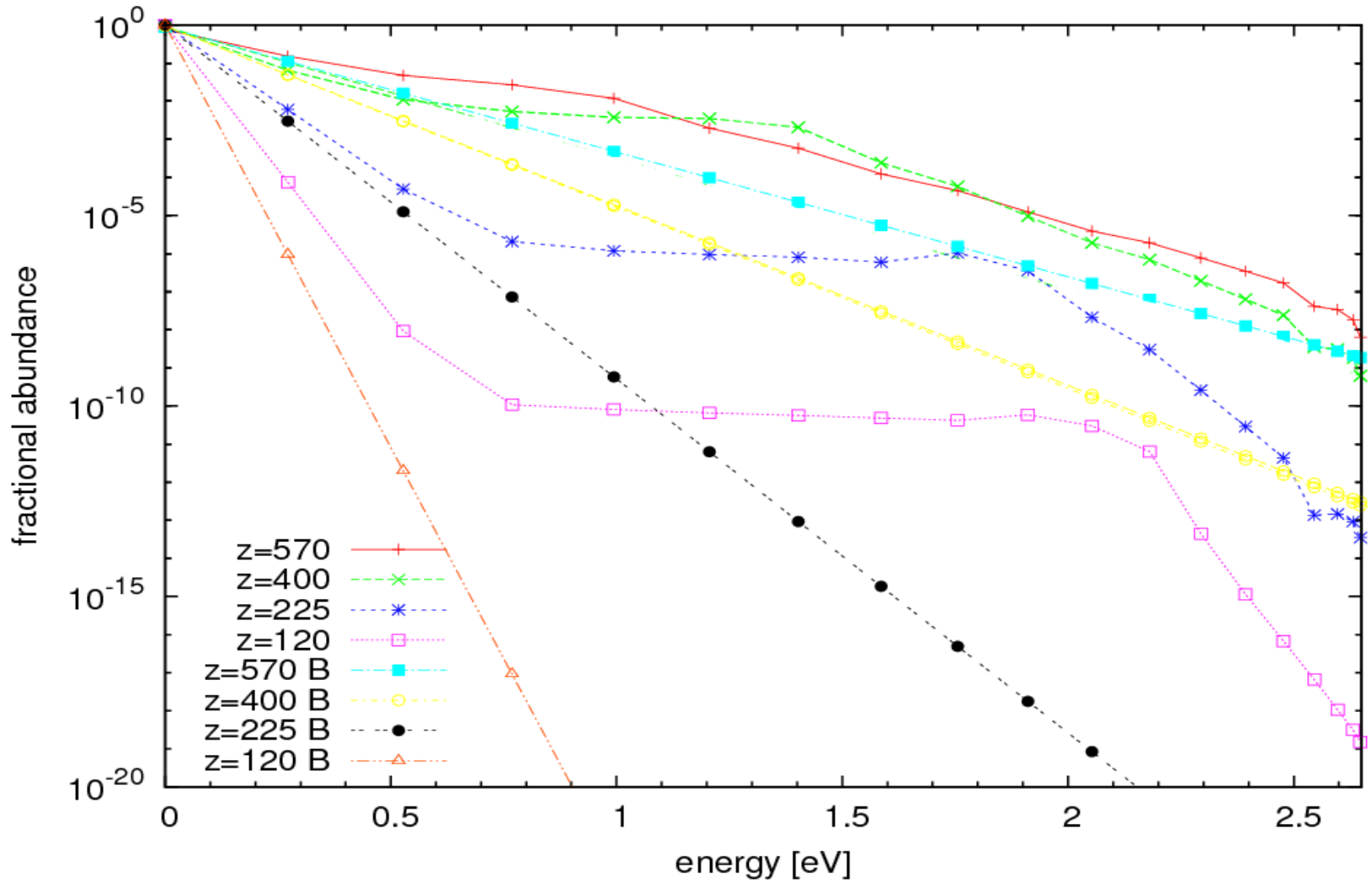




# RESULTS: VDF H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (II)



# RESULTS: VDF $H_2^+$ (III)



# BEYOND THE “STANDARD” KINETICS... (II)

MASSIVE PARTICLES  
SCATTERING

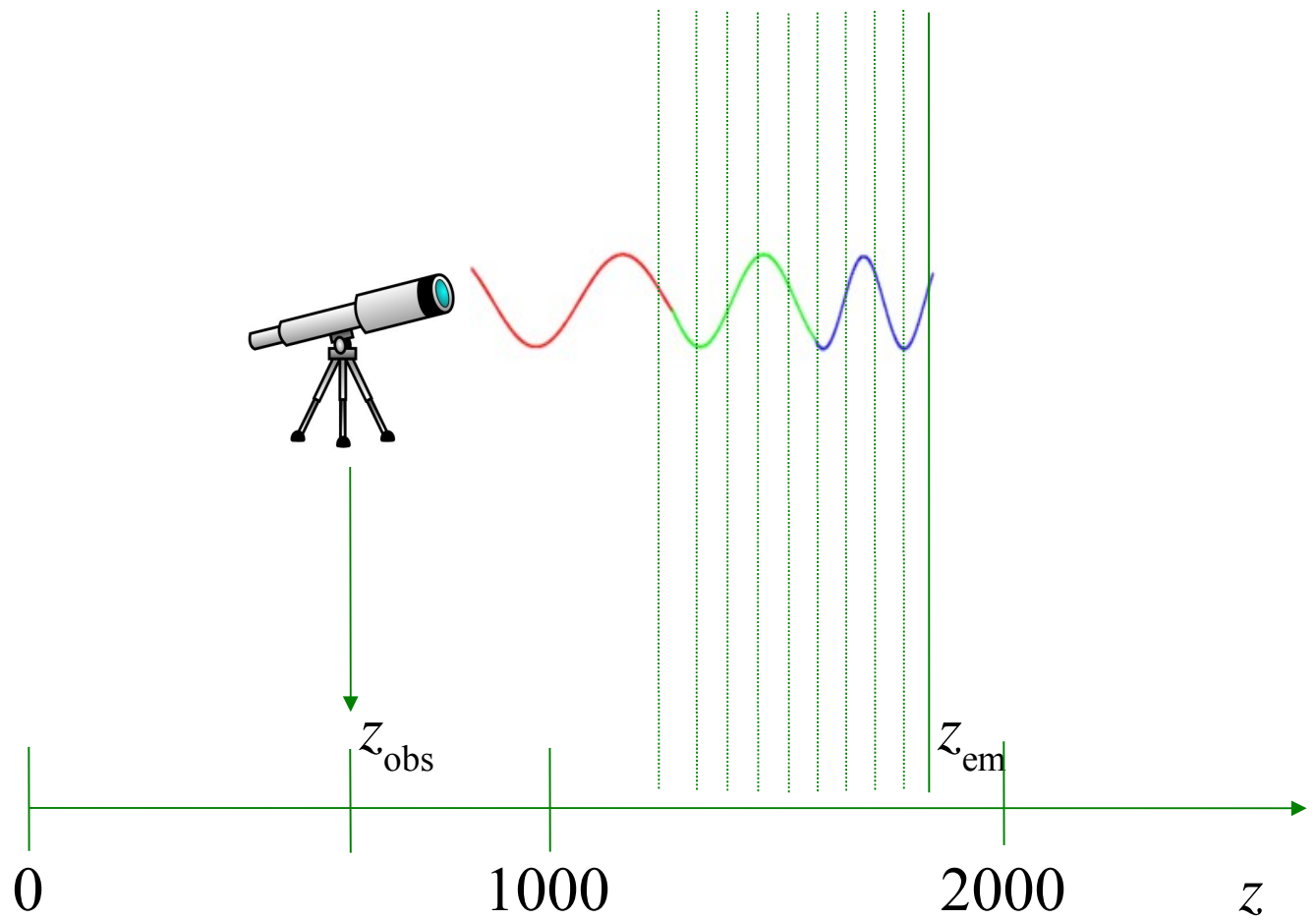
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$$n_b = 1.123 \times 10 \cdot (1 - Y_p) \Omega_b h^2 (1 + z)^3 \quad [m^{-3}]$$

PHOTONIC  
PROCESSES

$$k_{photo}(z) = 4\pi \int_0^\infty \frac{\sigma(\nu)}{h\nu} \left[ B_z(\nu) + \sum_{i \rightarrow j} I_{ij}^z(\nu) \right] d\nu$$

# SPECTRAL DISTORTIONS (I)

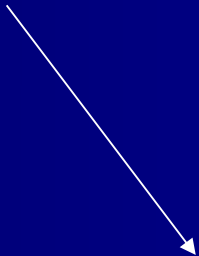


## SPECTRAL DISTORTIONS (II)

$$\dot{j}_{\nu_{ij}}(z) = h\nu_{ij} \Delta R_{ij}(z) \phi(\nu(z))$$

$$\Delta R_{ij}(\nu) = A_{ij} N_i \frac{e^{h\nu_{ij}/kT_r}}{e^{h\nu_{ij}/kT_r} - 1} \left[ 1 - \frac{N_j}{N_i} e^{-h\nu_{ij}/kT_r} \right]$$

$$I_{ij}^{z_{obs}}(\nu) = \frac{c}{4\pi} \int_{z_{em}}^{z_{obs}} \frac{\dot{j}_{\nu_{ij}}(z)}{(1+z)^3} (1+z_{obs})^3 \left| \frac{dt}{dz} \right| dz$$


$$I_{ij}^{z_{obs}}(\nu) = \frac{ch}{4\pi} \frac{\Delta R_{ij}(z_{em})}{H(z_{em})} \frac{(1+z_{obs})^3}{(1+z_{em})^3}$$

## SPECTRAL DISTORTIONS (III)

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{dJ_\nu}{dz} = \frac{\kappa_\nu J_\nu - j_\nu}{H_0(1+z)^2 \sqrt{1+\Omega_0 z}} + \frac{3J_\nu}{c(1+z)}$$

$$\kappa_\nu = \frac{c^2}{8\pi\nu^2} n_l A_{ul} \frac{g_u}{g_l} \left(1 - \frac{g_l n_u}{g_u n_l}\right) \phi(\nu - \nu_{ul})$$

$$j_\nu = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} n_u A_{ul} \phi(\nu - \nu_{ul})$$

$$\left. \frac{\Delta J_\nu}{J_\nu} \right|_{z=0} = [R(z_i) - 1] [1 - e^{-\tau(z_i)}]$$

$$R(z_i) = \left[ \frac{g_u n_l(z_i)}{g_l n_u(z_i)} - 1 \right]^{-1} \left\{ \exp \left[ \frac{h\nu_{ul}}{kT_r(z_i)} \right] - 1 \right\}$$

## SPECTRAL DISTORTIONS (IV)

- matter/antimatter annihilation
- decaying particles
- interaction with matter
- .....
- primordial atomic recombination ( $z \sim 1100$ )



- molecular radiative cascade



# PRIMORDIAL ATOMIC RECOMBINATION

Welcome Lyman-series Recombination Corrections Recfast++ CosmoRec  
Hydrogenic Atoms Helium Atom Downloads

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## Cosmological Recombination Project

Welcome to my Cosmological Recombination Project!

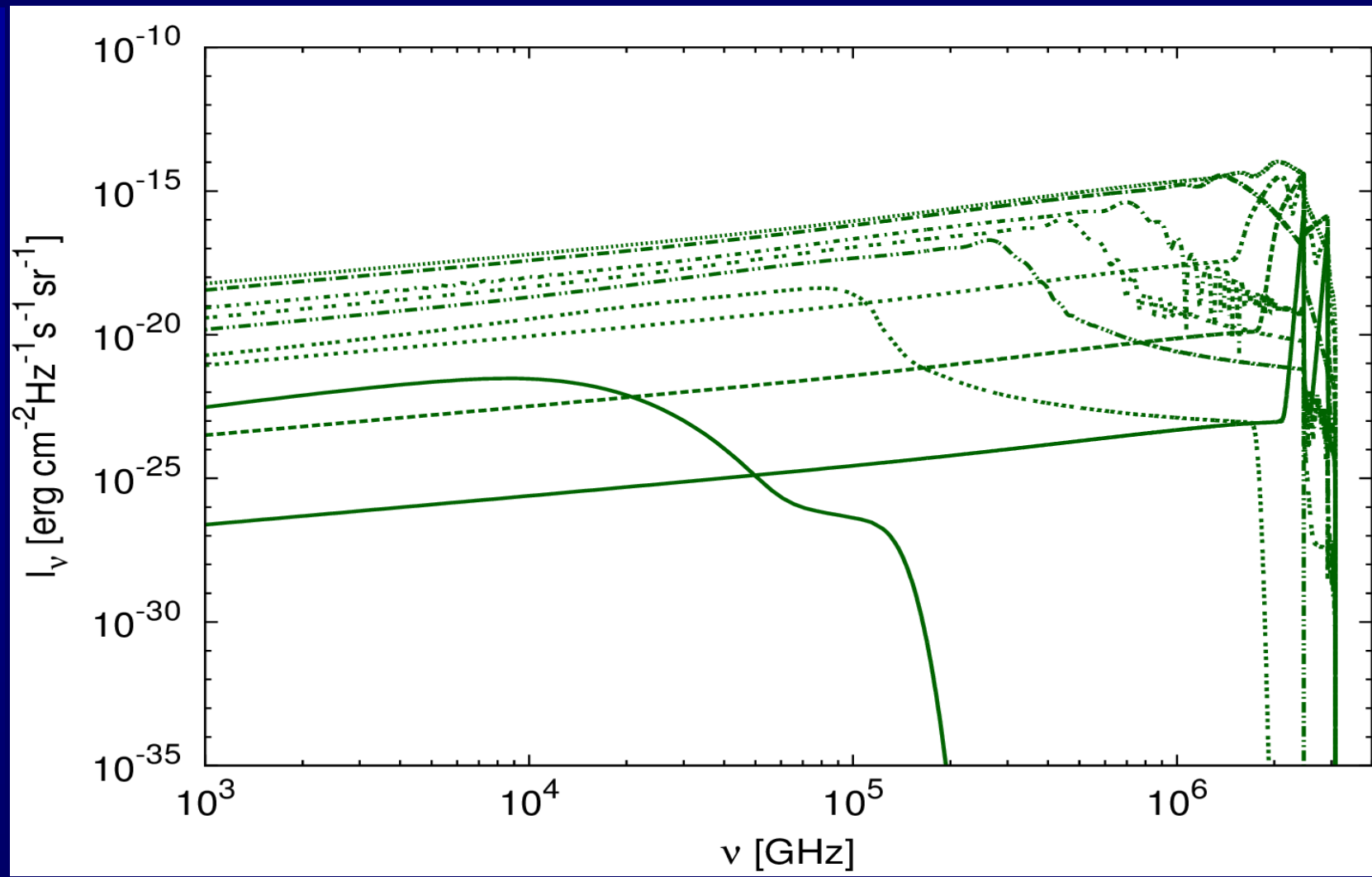
CosmoRec

- effective multi-level approach;
- fast and accurate ( $\sim 1.3$  sec )
- solves a detailed radiative transfer problem for Ly-n
- available @ [www.Chluba.de/CosmoRec](http://www.Chluba.de/CosmoRec)

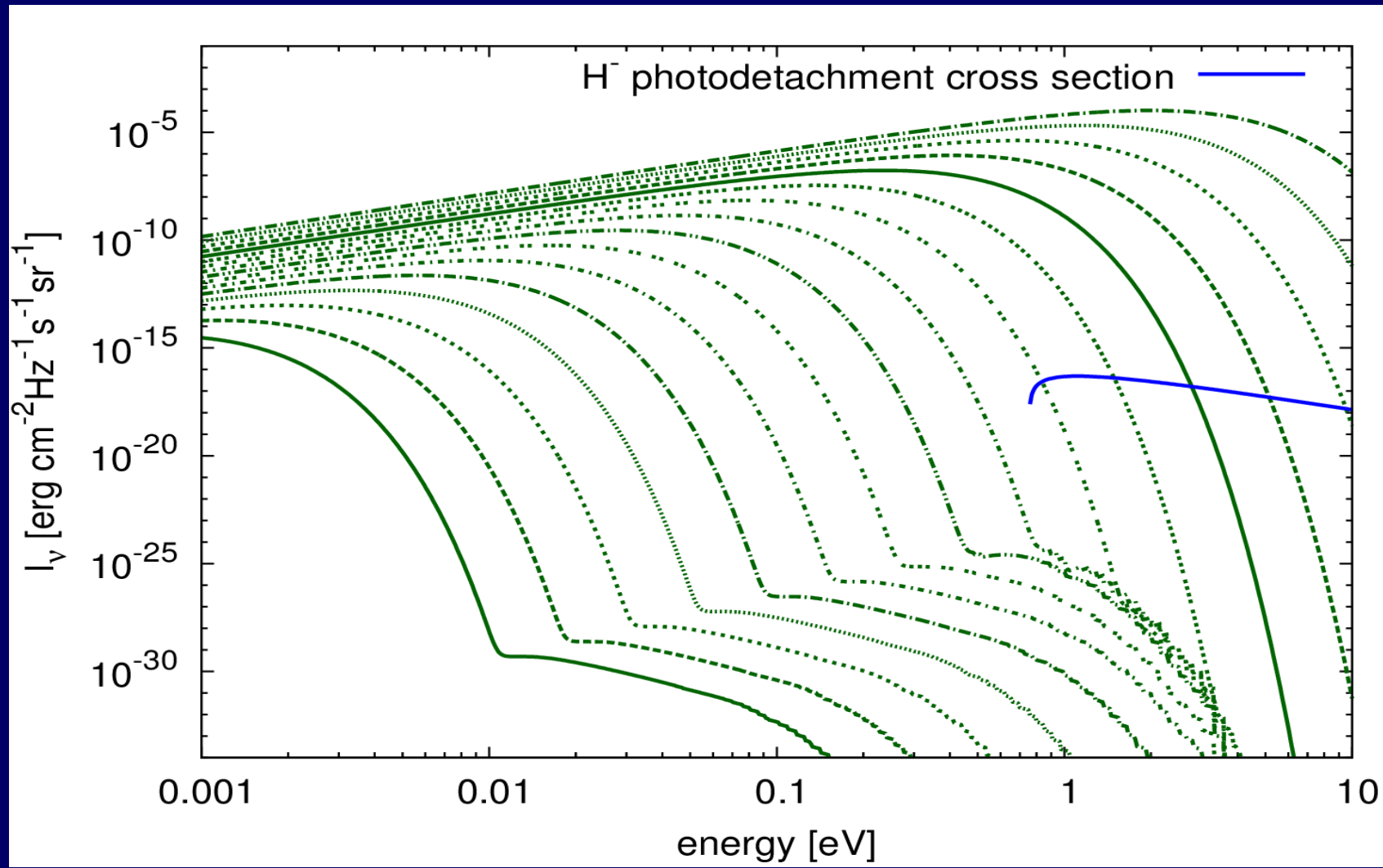
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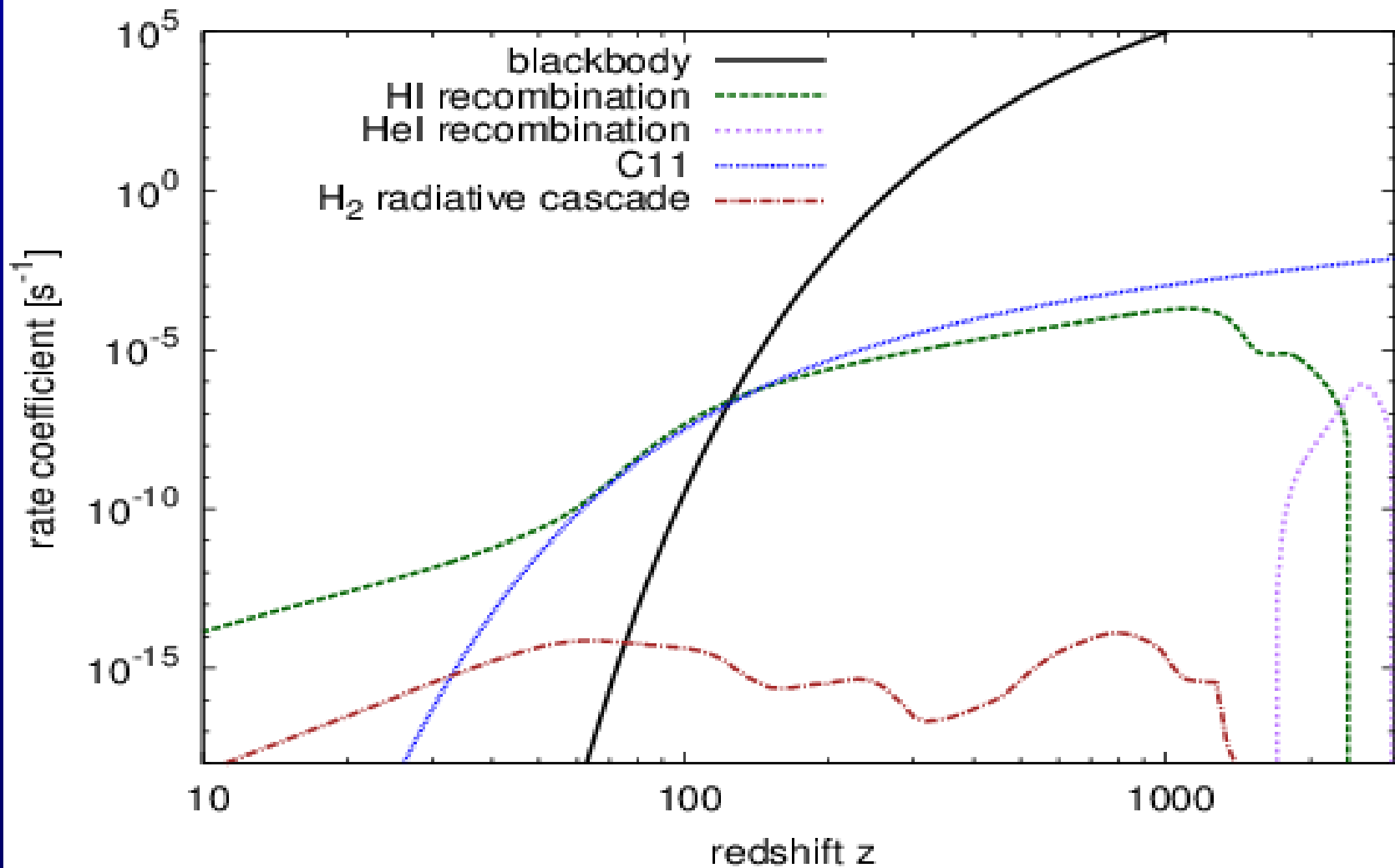
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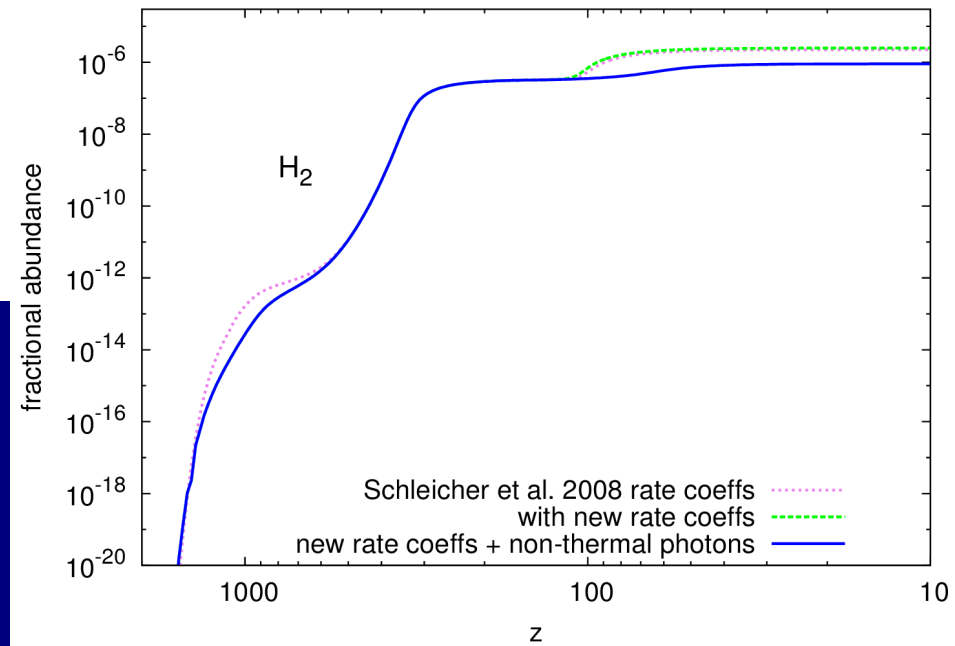
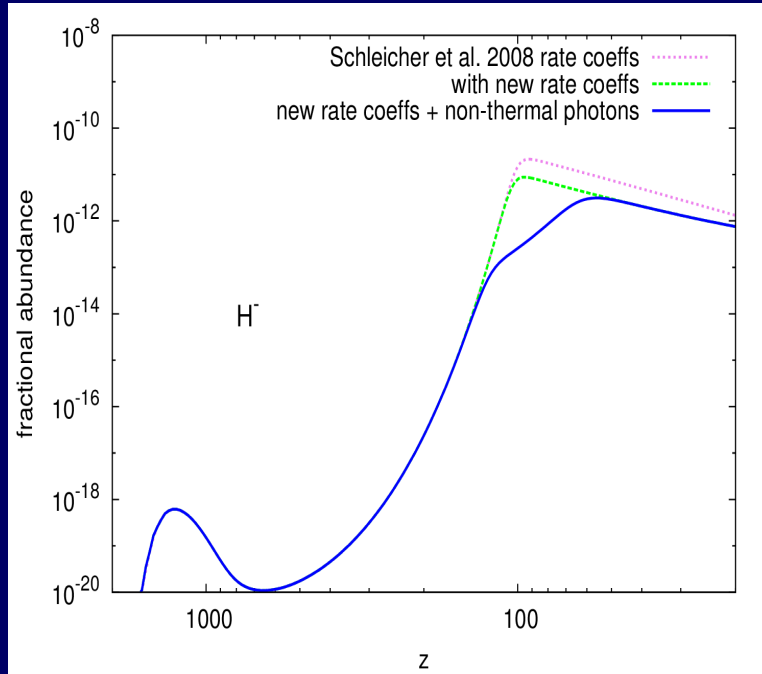
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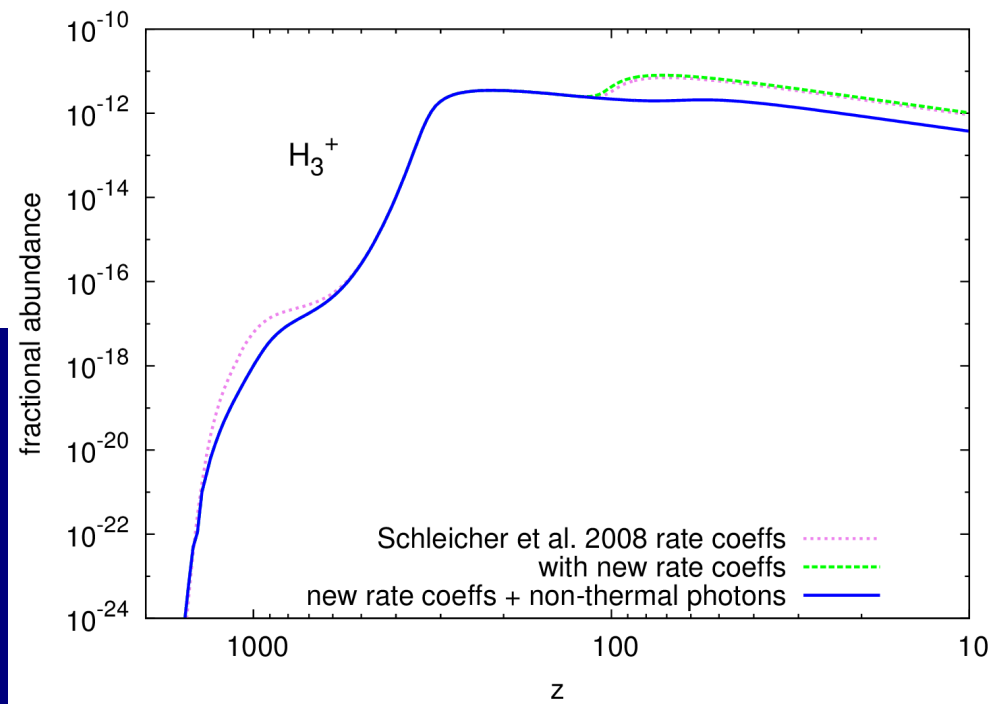
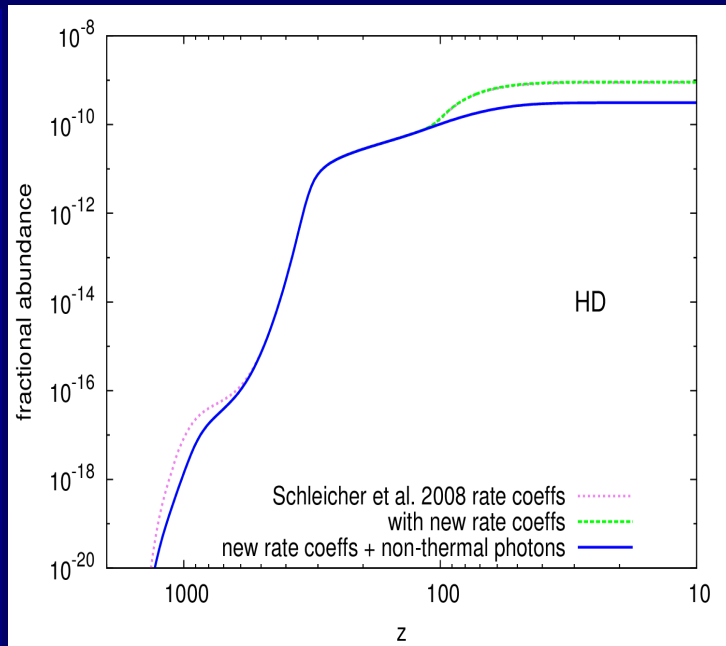
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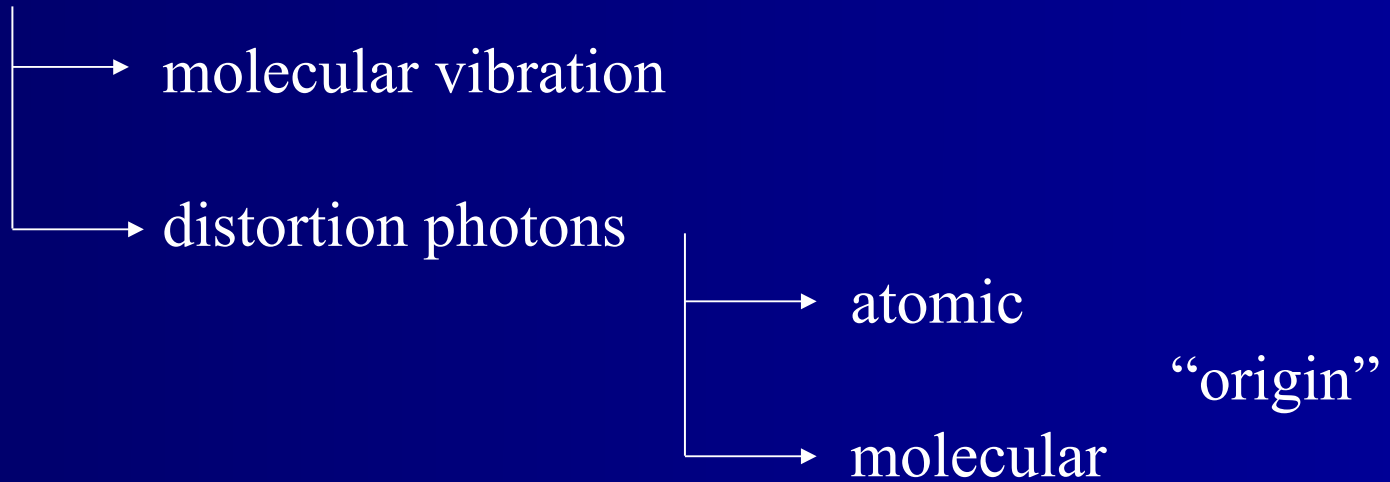


# SPECTRAL DISTORTIONS (IX)



## CONCLUSIONS:

- non-equilibrium distributions:



- “chemical feedback on the chemistry”

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