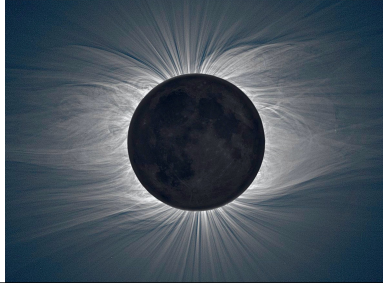


Coronal equilibrium

- ◆ Mechanical energy sets kinetic temperature
- ◆ “Coronal” command in Cloudy
- ◆ No ionizing radiation
 - (no light at all)
- ◆ Collisional ionization, due to collision by thermal electrons



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Coronal equilibrium

- ◆ Electron collisions cause ionization from ground state
- ◆ Balanced with all recombinations to all states
 - Which decay down to ground
- ◆ $n(H^0)n_e c_{ion} = n_e n_p \alpha_{rec}(T)$
- ◆ $\frac{n_p}{n(H^0)} = \frac{c_{ion}}{\alpha_{rec}(T)}$ (no density dependence)

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Coronal model with Cloudy

- ◆ Unit cell
- ◆ In coronal equilibrium (unit volume)
- ◆ Unit density ($n=1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$)

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set save prefix "T7"
set dr 0
stop zone 2
coronal 4
hden 0 % this is not a realistic density for sun, 1e10 cm-3 more typical
iterate
print last iteration
save continuum last units microns ".con"
save cooling ".col"

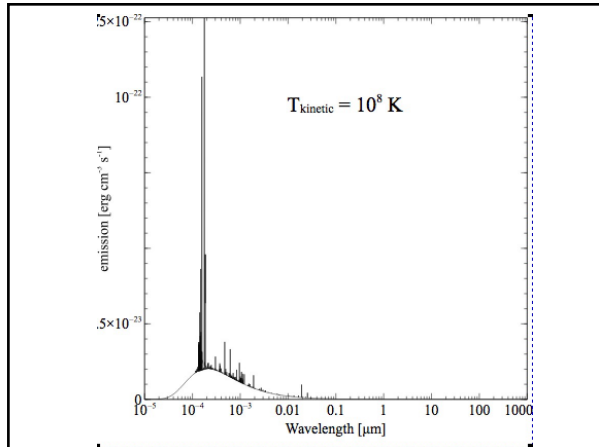
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Try different temperatures

- ◆ **Coronal command**
 - Log T=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
- ◆ **Unit cell**
- ◆ **Must include “cosmic ray background” and grains when molecules are significant**
- ◆ **Plot spectrum**
 - X-axis log wavelength from 1e-4 to 1e3 microns
 - Y-axis linear intensity, with strongest line at the top

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Coronal equilibrium

- ◆ **What is spectrum, cooling, at each temperature**

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Very low temperature care

- ◆ **Add grains**
 - H₂ forms on grain surfaces
- ◆ **Add cosmic rays**
- ◆ $n(H^0)n_e c_{ion} = n_e n_p \alpha_{rec}(T)$ (no CRs)
- ◆ $n(H^0)(n_e c_{ion} + c_{CR}) = n_e n_p \alpha_{rec}(T)$
- ◆ $\frac{n_p}{n(H^0)} = \frac{(n_e c_{ion} + c_{CR})}{n_e \alpha_{rec}(T)}$
- ◆ $n_e \rightarrow 0, \frac{n_p}{n(H^0)} \rightarrow \infty$

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