Proton Transfer Dynamics in Aqueous Acidic and Basic Solutions and Nonlinear Vibrational Spectroscopy from Ab Initio Molecular Dynamics

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We will discuss our recent theoretical work on proton transfer and nonlinear vibrational spectroscopy of aqueous solutions of strong acids and bases. Our study is based on ab initio molecular dynamics simulations and time correlation function approaches of nonlinear vibrational spectroscopy. We will present calculations of the rate constants of proton transfer including proton rattling and proton translocation, and connect them to the observables of two dimensional infrared spectroscopy

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