



COMPARISON BETWEEN MODEL AND EXPERIMENT ON HYDROGEN PRODUCTION BY METHANE STEAM REFORMING IN GLIDARC REACTORS

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Abstract

The glidarc discharges allow high specific throughputs *in the reaction zone*, which generally largely exceed other chemical methods, including electrochemical and thermal ones. The article continues the study of a model describing the methane steam reforming by means of different constructive types of gliding arc reactors. Despite the fact that the non-thermal plasma processes are considered non-equilibrium ones, the proposed mechanism based on classical thermodynamics gives a very good image on the chemical processes occurring in the reactor.

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