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## ABSTRACT

Use of biofuels, especially in automotive applications, is a growing trend due to their potential to lower greenhouse gas emissions from combustion. Ketones are a class of biofuel candidates which are produced from cellulose. However, ketones received rather scarce attention from the combustion community compared to other classes such as, alcohols, esters, and ethers. There is little knowledge on their combustion performance and pollutant generation. Hence their combustion chemistry needs to be investigated in detail. Diisopropyl ketone (DIPK) is a promising biofuel candidate, which is produced using endophytic fungal conversion. A detailed understanding of the combustion kinetics of the oxidation of DIPK in advanced engines such as, the homogeneous charge compression ignition (HCCI) engine is warranted. This dissertation concentrates on the combustion kinetics of DIPK over a wide range of temperature and pressure with a focus on HCCI engine application.

An existing DIPK kinetic mechanism has been reviewed and a single zone HCCI engine model has been modeled and validated against recent experimental data from Sandia National Lab. Therefore different HCCI modeling assumptions were tested and the DIPK reaction mechanism was modified with missing reactions and the required thermochemical data. As a result, the HCCI pressure trace, heat release rate and reactivity have been improved. In order to improve the ignition delay time simulation results, the low temperature oxidation of DIPK was studied as the fuel chemistry effects on the autoignition behavior becomes important in low temperature. Therefore DIPK low temperature oxidation experimental data was obtained from the synchrotron photoionization experiments conducted at the Advanced Light Source (ALS) so that the primary products as well as the dominant oxidation pathways are identified. Furthermore, the aldehydes oxidation, as a result of partial or incomplete combustion and as the primary stable intermediate products in oxidation and pyrolysis of biofuel were studied at low temperature in ALS.

A high temperature reaction mechanism was created using the reaction class approach. The reaction mechanism for DIPK was improved using the experimental data along with quantum chemical calculation of activation energies and barriers as well as vibrational modes for the important reactions identified in ALS experiment. The rate constants for important reactions were calculated based on modified Arrhenius equation. DIPK oxidation and pyrolysis were studied at high temperature and pressure using UCF shock tube. The ignition delay times as well as the product (methane) time histories were investigated and used as validation targets for the new model.

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# **CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 <u>Motivation</u>

The production of renewable fuels and energies are becoming a primary need as the energy costs increase and due to the environmental concerns. The biofuels considered have to be compatible with the next generation advanced engines and their production procedure must be efficient from cost and resource point of view. The new engines are often very sensitive to the fuel chemistry [1]. Therefore a co-development of engines and biofuels is the important optimized strategy [2].

The growth of renewable and alternative liquid fuel sources is compelled by the limited fossil fuel supplies and use of biofuels, especially in automotive applications, is a growing trend due to their potential to reduce the greenhouse gas concentrations in atmosphere [2]. Therefore the study of combustion kinetic of the advanced biofuels is important in order to determine the environmental effects as well as the biofuels performance in the next generation of advanced engines. The new internal combustion engines developed to have higher efficiency as well as lower emission which requires low temperature autoignition. The combination of theoretical calculations, simulation and experimental data can give a very good insight; however, all the methods are not always available. Therefore, developing a comprehensive model for combustion kinetic of the biofuel of interest would be very important (See Figure 1-1).

The liquid hydrocarbons are vastly used in transportation industries due to their high volumetric energy density and convenient methods of storage and transport. However, the environmental concerns as well as their limited source bring about the motivation to alternative liquid fuels [3]. Furthermore, developing a combustion model for the biofuels will provide the capability of predicting the biofuels kinetic behavior.

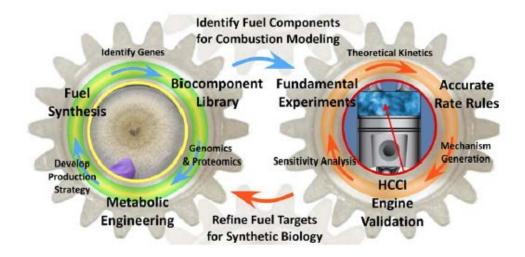


Figure 1-1- Biofuel-engine co-development [4]

Biofuels are in an unprocessed form such as fuelwood, wood chips and pellets, etc. or they are generated as a result of processing of biomass such as ethanol, biodiesel, DME, etc. Therefore they are categorized as primary (unprocessed) and secondary (processed) biofuels [5]. Today, the biomass-based fuels are those biofuels which are proper alternative from both environmental and economic standpoint [5]. Gasoline in spark-ignition engines can be replaced with alcohol fuels, while compression ignition (CI) engines consume biodiesel.

Current biofuels such as corn ethanol and biodiesel involve relatively small reduction of greenhouse gases relative to petroleum while next generation biofuels (cellulosic biofuels) will give much greater GHG reduction. Some microbial types for instance fungi, yeast, and microalgae can be utilized as potential bases for biofuel production. The biofuels of our interest in this study are produced based on metabolic processes of endophytic fungi which naturally live in symbiosis with woody plants. These organisms consume some of the biomass of the host plant and produce

volatile organic compounds, and useful fuels. Fungi can directly consume cellulose and other renewable sustainable carbon compounds and produce a spectrum of potentially useful volatile organic compounds. Several of fungi produce substantial amounts of ketones and other oxygenated fuels. The process of ketone production from cellulose by fungi is shown in Figure 1-2.

Ketones are potential biofuel candidates and are generated as intermediate products throughout the oxidation of oxygenated fuels like alcohols or esters or larger hydrocarbons. Ketones contains carbonyl group (C=O) shown in Scheme 1-1 where R and R' can be a variety of carbon-containing substituents.

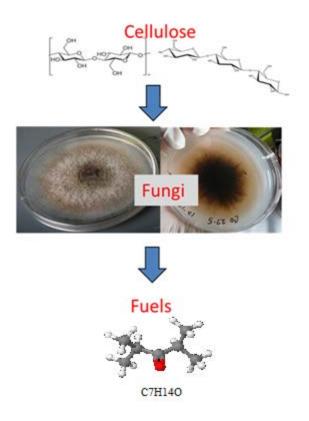


Figure 1-2- Ketone production from cellulose by endophytic fungi[4]

Few investigation and measurements are done on the larger straight-chained and branched ketones. Thus, the ignition characteristics and chemistry of oxidation are not well studied for larger ketones. A quick literature review on the kinetics studies on ketones is listed in Table 1-1.

The ketone which is studied in this work is a branched ketone, called diisopropyl ketone (DIPK) (Figure 1-3). A reaction mechanism has been developed for DIPK recently which represents a kinetic model to describe the pyrolysis and oxidation of DIPK [6]. The model was verified against experiment; however the ignition delay time measured by rapid compression machine for the temperature range of 590-720 K and at the pressure of 10 bar showed discrepancies comparing to the experimental results (see Figure 1-4). The significant shift in the NTC (temperature at which the negative temperature region starts) observed in this figure suggests that more investigation should be done to develop a model to be capable of predicting the combustion behavior of DIPK.

| Authors             | year | ketone     | study   |
|---------------------|------|------------|---|
| Bott and Cohen [7]  | 1991 | Acetone    | rate constant of the reaction: acetone + OH       |
| Black et al [8]     | 2007 | Acetone    | ignition delay times and laminar flame speed      |
| Zhao et al [9]      | 2008 | Acetone    | reaction rate of acetone with atomic chlorine     |
| Pichon et al [10]   | 2009 | Acetone    | ignition delay times at high temperatures         |
| Davidson et al [11] | 2010 | Acetone    | ignition delay times at high temperatures         |
| Lam et al [12]      | 2013 | Acetone    | pyrolysis of acetone                              |
| Zhao et al [9]      | 2008 | 2-butanone | reaction rate of 2-butanone with atomic chlorine  |
| Lam et al [13]      | 2012 | 2-butanone | reaction rate of 2-butanone with OH, Theoretical  |
| Lam et al [12]      | 2013 | 2-butanone | reaction rate of 2-butanone with OH, experimental |

Table 1-1- literature review on some ketones kinetics study



Scheme 1-1- Ketones general structure

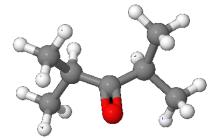


Figure 1-3- DIPK 3D structure

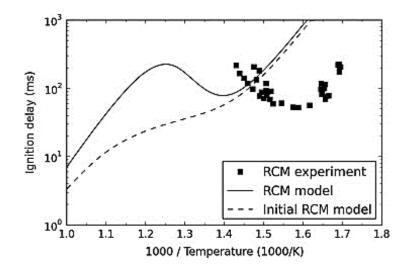


Figure 1-4- Experimental (markers) and modeled (solid line) ignition delay times for DIPK oxidation in a rapid compression machine (Allen et al. 2014 [6])

Pyrolysis is an advanced thermal process in the absence of oxygen. The pyrolysis results of DIPK compared to the experiment for some major species concentration versus maximum reactor temperature. Discrepancies between model and experiments can be observed in Figure 1-4.

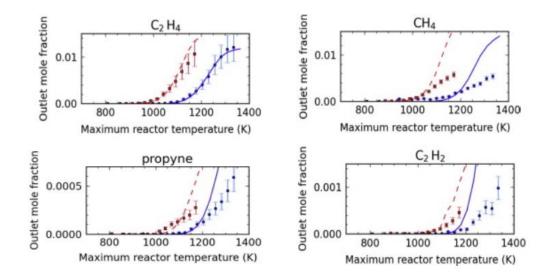


Figure 1-5- Experimental (markers) and modeled (lines) mole fractions for major products of DIPK pyrolysis at 760 Torr (red dashed line, square markers) and 30 Torr (blue solid line, circle markers) (Allen et al 2014 [6])

As the new biofuels are produced, the new combustion technologies are also emerging and the goal is to provide development for both fields. The homogenous compression ignition (HCCI) engines are one of the advanced combustion technologies based on low temperature combustion. A lean fuel-air mixture is compressed to the autoignition [4]. The temperature does not reach to the point at which NOx forms. HCCI engine has high compression ratio similar to Diesel engines. As the control of combustion timing depends on the chemistry of the fuel's autoignition, it is used as the desired combustion strategy to understand the combustion behavior of the biofuel of interest [14].

Autoignition characteristics and HCCI engine combustion of DIPK has been investigated in the Sandia HCCI engine [15] and the results are compared with gasoline and ethanol. It was found that DIPK behaves similar to the low-reactivity ethanol in the sense that it shows strong temperature-sensitivity, even at boosted inlet pressure (See Figure 1-5). However, DIPK indicated much stronger pressure-sensitivity than ethanol. With such a pressure sensitivity, the required inlet temperature decreases as the pressure increases which is similar to gasoline. With its temperature sensitivity, DIPK has lower heat release than gasoline which needs combustion timing retard to prevent knock. Therefore it was concluded that DIPK has higher thermal efficiency than gasoline at comparable loads (See Figure 1-5).

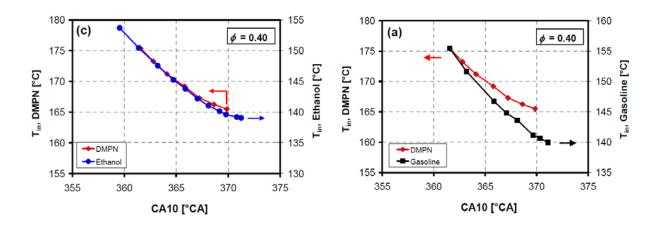


Figure 1-6- DIPK (denoted as DMPN) temperature sensitivity comparing to ethenol (left) and gasoline (right) (Yang and Dec 2013 [16])

#### 1.2 Objective

This dissertation describes theoretical and experimental studies intended to investigate the advanced biofuels kinetics to employ in the new generation of combustion engines. The biofuels of interest are selected from different oxygenated fuel group including ketones (DIPK), alcohols (n-butanol) and aldehydes (acetaldehyde, propanal and acrolein). Among these biofuels, DIPK is investigated theoretically and experimentally. The theoretical investigation has been done using CHEMKIN-PRO [17] modeling software to simulate the fuel ignition and pyrolysis behavior. The quantum chemical calculation of the reactions has been done using Gaussian [18] to obtain the

energies and vibrational modes which are employed as an input for CanTherm [19] program to calculate the corresponding rate constants.

The general procedure adopted is as follows. In chapter two, a single zone HCCI engine model has been modeled and validated against recent experimental data from Sandia [15]. The calculated pressure trace and heat release rate showed discrepancies when compared to the experimental data. Therefore different HCCI modeling assumptions were tested and the DIPK reaction mechanism was modified with missing reactions and the required thermochemical data. The corresponding thermochemical properties for the fuel and radical species were calculated using the THERM [20] program and rates were either estimated in comparison with similar molecules or calculated using a rate estimation software such as RMG [21]. As a result, the HCCI pressure trace, heat release rate and reactivity have been improved. The ignition delay time predictions were improved, however, still showed deviations from the limited experimental data from the shock tube.

Chapter three covers the quantum chemical calculation for the most important reactions in DIPK oxidation. Gaussian 09 [18] software is used to obtain the bond dissociation energies and frequencies via the molecule electronic structure optimization up to the high level of theory. The kinetic rate constant for each reaction of interest is calculated using CanTherm [19].

In chapter four DIPK low temperature oxidation is studied through the experimental data obtained from the synchrotron photoionization experiments directed at the Advanced Light Source (ALS). The OH-initiated oxidation has been performed at 300-550 K. The primary products have been identified using their photoionization spectra. The H abstraction reaction branching ratios are obtained and the results are compared to the Cl-initiated oxidation.

In chapter five the Cl-initiated oxidation ALS measurement has been performed for aldehydes as important intermediate formed in low and intermediate temperature oxidation of many oxygenated fuels including ketones. Acetaldehyde, propanal and acrolein are studied and the primary products as well as the important product formation pathways are studied.

In chapter six, the experimental data for the product CH<sub>4</sub> concentration in DIPK pyrolysis as well as DIPK ignition delay time are obtained using UCF shock tube.

In chapter seven, the existing DIPK kinetic mechanism has been reviewed using classification into high and low temperature reactions for which the rate constants were assigned based on analogy to the similar reactions or literature recommendations. This procedure has been successfully applied in the case of butanol combustion mechanism by Sarathy et al.[22, 23]. The DIPK submechanism is then integrated into a recently published C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> mechanism from the Galway group[24].

In chapter eight the work is summarized and the future needs are suggested.

# CHAPTER 2: IMPROVED COMBUSTION KINETIC MODEL AND HCCI ENGINE SIMULATION OF DIPK

#### 2.1 Introduction

DIPK fundamental combustion has been investigated using a variety of experimental techniques, and a kinetic model was developed to describe its pyrolysis and oxidation characteristics [25]. The fuel structure has strong effect on HCCI combustion. The saturated fuels and olefins usually show two-stage ignition whereas unsaturated compounds demonstrates single-stage ignition which associated with the more common low temperature heat release (LTHR) [26]. The high in-cylinder temperature is associated with the pre-ignition heat release which can be addressed by intermediate temperature heat release denoted as ITHR [27].

In order to investigate DIPK combustion behavior, homogeneous charge compression ignition (HCCI) engine was used. HCCI studies of two bio-ketones, DIPK and cyclopentanone, were performed by Sandia researchers Yang and Dec[15]. It was found that DIPK has considerably sensitive autoignition nature and showed distinctive low temperature heat release (LTHR) at higher intake pressures. LTHR in DIPK occurred earlier compared to gasoline fuels. Temperature effect on autoignition is a very important parameter in the study of HCCI combustion. The combustion timing of DIPK in HCCI engine was studied for different intake temperature and the results were compared to gasoline [15]. The results showed that in the same test condition (engine speed of 1200 rpm, intake pressure of 1 bar and fuel equivalence ratio 0.4) DIPK shows higher temperature sensitivity. In other words, for instance, DIPK intake temperature reduction results in more CA10 retard comparing to gasoline. For gasoline fuels and primary reference fuel (PRF) mixtures, it has been shown that increasing LTHR leads to increasing intermediate temperature

heat release ITHR [28]. However, in the case of DIPK, increasing LTHR did not result in increasing ITHR, which indicates that DIPK has unique chemical kinetic autoignition characteristics that warrant further investigation.

Homogeneous charge compression ignition is a type of engine process denoted as HCCI. In a HCCI engine, lean, well-mixed fuel and oxidizer mixtures are compressed to the point of autoignition, which has similar characteristics to both spark ignition (SI) and compression ignition (CI) engines. Many researches have been published in the past years on HCCI engines [29-32]. HCCI engine has a very fast combustion process due to the autoignition which results in the release of heat within 5-15 crank angle degrees (CAD). Fuel efficiency along with lower emissions are two important advantages of HCCI engines and their operations are affected by fuel autoignition kinetics. Creating a validated HCCI engine model and a kinetic mechanism that can describe the combustion process of a specific biofuel is important for the optimization of HCCI engine operating strategies for designers. An alternative to computational fluid dynamic (CFD) modeling is desired for quick computations and developing empirical correlations. The model can be multidimensional in which mass, momentum, species conservation, and energy equations are solved to find the thermodynamic state of the mixture at each CAD during the combustion process.

In the present study, DIPK combustion in an HCCI engine has been modelled and the results are analyzed in terms of pressure traces and compared to the Sandia engine data [15]. The DIPK literature mechanism [25] has been improved by adding some missing species and reactions. The ignition delay time has been calculated for high and low temperature ranges and compared with data [25] from shock tube and rapid compression machines. The modified DIPK chemical

kinetic mechanism is further verified by comparing with the results from pyrolysis experiments[25].

The single-zone model is conducted with heat transfer effects using the improved reaction mechanism which shows very good agreement with the experimental data. In order to account for heat loss effects in the single-zone model, the Woschni heat transfer correlation [33] has been used. The required bottom dead center temperature, TBDC, has been calculated versus engine speed in constant combustion phasing to estimate the HCCI reactivity for DIPK. The predicted HCCI reactivity is compared to the experimental data and auto-ignition characteristics of HCCI engine has been verified by studying the effects of intake pressure and temperature on the ignition timing within the single-zone model. The temperature and pressure sensitivity of DIPK is investigated to understand the most sensitive reactions in order to further improve the pressure trace predictions.

The effects of turbulent mixing on the combustion needs to be considered to accurately simulate the combustion and heat release rates; however, in the current simulation the contents of the model is presumed to be almost spatially uniform due to high diffusion rates which is the assumption of CHEMKIN. In other words, the formation rate of products from reactants is dominated by chemical reaction rates rather than mixing processes. The objective of this work was mainly to investigate the reaction mechanism and to adjust the kinetic constants. The single zone model can predict the ignition delay time but tends to over-predict the pressure trace. Therefore in the next section we used multi-zone model to address the temperature and composition inhomogeneity. The full investigation of turbulence effect on HCCI combustion can be addressed by CHEMKIN implementation in CFD analysis which can be the scope of another study.

The preliminary study of DIPK in HCCI engine has been done [34], however there are limitations of the single-zone model which results in under-predicting the unburned hydrocarbons and CO while over-predicting the pressure and heat release rate. Therefore, in this study, the multi-zone model has been performed to account for the inhomogeneity within the real engine and to avoid the long computational time of CFD studies. HCCI engine multi-zone modeling is based on the study by Aceves et al. [35]. In cylinder thermal stratification on reducing the pressure rise rate in HCCI engine has been investigated using this multi-zone model for other fuels by Sandia researchers successfully [36]. With considering this cold inactive zone, the pressure after the end of combustion is matched to the data. The multi-zone model has a cold inactive zone along with four active zones with thermal distribution such that for earlier combustion phasing, the cold zone thermal distribution requires to be wider to prevent from early ignition. In the current study, the 5-zone model with different mass fraction and BDC temperature has been simulated to compare the observed experimental pressure trace and heat release of the experimental data.

#### 2.2 <u>Computational Approach</u>

#### 2.2.1 Single-zone adiabatic engine model with the original mechanism

The simplified approach to model HCCI is to use zero-dimensional adiabatic modeling in which uniform properties are assumed throughout the gas mixture. In this section, the IC engine module available in CHEMKIN-PRO [37] is used to simulate DIPK experiments along with the published DIPK mechanism from Allen et al. [25]. The constant-volume, zero-dimensional, singlezone model coupled with chemical kinetics is based on a simulation of gas phase chemical reactions within a perfectly mixed reactor. The real HCCI engine which is used for experimental investigation has a single cylinder design with a displacement of 981 cm<sup>3</sup> and 102 mm bore. The piston with the compression ratio of 14:1 is used. The inlet valve is closed (IVC) at 205° and the exhaust valve is opened (EVO) at 480° CAD. Table 2-1 shows the properties of current HCCI experiments and simulations. As mentioned, the geometric compression ratio of the HCCI engine is 14.0 while the effective compression ratio used for HCCI engine simulations is 13.3, which showed good agreement with motored traces.

First the model is calibrated by comparing the motored pressure trace with the experimental motored data. The adiabatic single-zone model is used to simulate the DIPK combustion in HCCI engine with lower CR (the value used in this study was recommended based on the previous modeling in Sandia) than the geometric CR. THE BDC temperature is used as the intake temperature and the single-zone model is supposed to reproduce the temperature conditions in the hottest zone of cylinder. The compression ratio for the model is adjusted to match motored pressure traces. In order to account for the heat loss imposing a volume history that differs from the actual engine, assuming a shrinking of the boundary layer the reduced compression ratio is used instead of geometric CR. CR=13.3 was the value recommended by Sandia for the modeling which was used for their heat release rate/heat transfer analysis and for their CHEMKIN simulation.

Figure 2-1 shows the comparison of pressure traces for various TBDC between the experimental data (dashed lines) and the calculations (solid lines). Yang and Dec [15] experimentally studied DIPK in the Sandia HCCI engine for various operating parameter sweeps in which wide ranges of BDC temperature, intake pressure, engine speed, and equivalence ratio (phi,  $\Phi$ ) were taken into account. The equivalence ratio is 0.4 for both experiments and calculations

in Figure 2-1. The model starts to match with the experiment and reaches almost the same combustion timing as the experiment does; however, the peak pressure and the heat release were not following the experimental trace afterwards. This brings about the reaction-wise study of the fuel kinetic mechanism. The adiabatic single-zone model cannot properly predict the ignition behavior of DIPK in terms of peak pressure. The increase in pressure in an adiabatic constant-volume zone is directly related to the amount of heat generated by reactions. Therefore, it can be inferred that there should be some important reactions or intermediate species which are missing in the published reaction mechanism.

DIPK reaction mechanism has been developed by Allen et al was unable to predict ignition delay time. In this study, we are trying to examine the reaction mechanism for HCCI engine model and verify the result with the available experimental data from Sandia National lab. Figure 2-1 is shown to address that DIPK reaction mechanism demonstrates deficiencies in prediction of pressure trace and heat release rate which was the motivation for our study to review the mechanism.

| HCCI Engine                         | Experiment     | Simulation     |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Engine cylinder displacement volume | 981 cm3        | 981 cm3        |
| Geometric compression ratio         | 14:1           | 13.3:1         |
| Engine speed                        | 1200 rpm       | 1200 rpm       |
| Fueling system                      | Fully premixed | Fully premixed |
| Intake temperature (TIN)            | 100-190 C      | 100-190 C      |
| Intake pressure                     | 100 kPa        | 100 kPa        |
| Fuel                                | DIPK           | DIPK           |

Table 2-1- HCCI engine properties for simulation and experiments

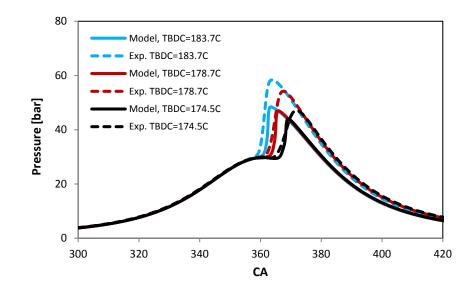


Figure 2-1- Comparison of simulated and measured pressure traces for TBDC sweep,  $\Phi$ =0.4, 1200 rpm using the original mechanism file for DIPK

# 2.2.2 Improved chemical kinetic mechanism

The detailed kinetic mechanism of the fuel includes most of the important reactions taking place during the combustion. The Reaction Mechanism Generator (RMG) is open-source software which constructs the kinetic mechanism consisting of thousands of elementary reactions between various species. RMG uses the group based approach to estimate the reactions rates [38]. A graph-matching method is used to identify the functional groups and the rates are estimated from a database of rules [39]. The details of obtaining the rates are described in RMG website and the relevant documents [38]. For DIPK, the published kinetic mechanism file was created using RMG (Allen et. al [25]) to predict the pyrolysis and oxidation of DIPK. As shown in Figure 2-1, the preliminary modeling by CHEMKIN-PRO [17] based on this mechanism shows discrepancies between simulations and the experiments. Therefore, the reaction mechanism is reviewed for possible improvements in terms of missing species and reactions, which were not considered in

the original mechanism. Scheme 2-1 shows the simplified oxidation scheme for DIPK for HCCI engine experiment with TBDC=442K, equivalence ratio of 0.4, inlet pressure, Pin=99kPa, and at 20% fuel burn point using CHEMKIN-PRO.

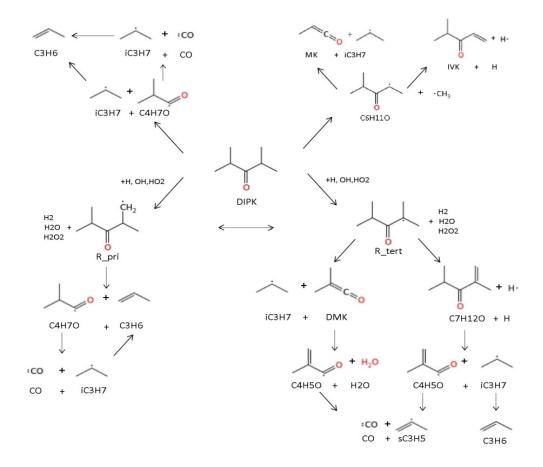
DIPK participates in H-abstraction reaction initially and this is the dominant channel for DIPK consumption in the studied temperature range. When the temperature increases, some of the fuel molecules decompose to iso-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> and C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O radicals after TDC. DIPK hydrogen abstraction reactions by H, OH, HO<sub>2</sub> radicals yield primary and tertiary radicals denoted as R-pri and R-tert, respectively. These radicals subsequently dissociate to produce the  $C_7H_{12}O$ , an unsaturated ketone. This species decomposes to C<sub>4</sub>H7<sub>0</sub> +sC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub> and C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O+iC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> as shown in the oxidation scheme (Scheme 2-1). The H-abstraction reactions corresponding to this relatively stable intermediate species were not considered in the original reaction mechanism and only the recombination reactions of C7H12O with radicals were included. The original mechanism was created automatically using RMG. The "Auto" option in RMG suggests that the user is no more required to specify conversions at which the edge reaction fluxes are estimated [21]. The user also does not need to decide whether to add a new species in the core reaction model. This option saves a lot of computational time and costs. However, it may end up with elimination of some reactions. C7H12O is one of the important intermediates forming from DIPK primary and tertiary radicals. Therefore it is reasonable to include all the consumption reactions associated with this species and the relevant radicals. Thus the submechanism of C7H12O removal has been modified by adding the Habstraction reactions by H, OH and HO<sub>2</sub> radicals resulting in the formation of C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O radical isomers that decompose to smaller species. The thermodynamic properties for the radicals and

added intermediate species have been computed using THERM [40] based on group additivity estimation and the reaction rates are estimated using RMG [38] which are given in Table 2-2.

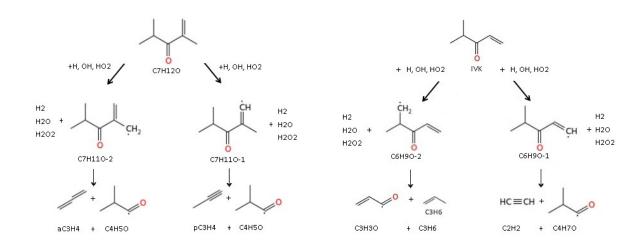
From the original oxidation path, it can be noticed that the unimolecular decomposition of DIPK yields iso-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> (isopropyl radical) and C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O as well as methyl and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O radicals. The H elimination reaction of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O results in the formation of isopropyl vinyl ketone denoted as IVK which further decomposes through unimolecular decomposition. In this study, the H-abstraction reactions from IVK by H, OH and HO2 radicals are also added to the oxidation pathway. These reactions result in the formation of C6H9O radical isomers, identified as C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O-1 and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O-2. The  $\beta$ -scission of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O-2 produces C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O-enone and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub> whereas the C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O-1 decomposes to C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O. Simplified scheme of added paths related to IVK and C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O H-abstraction reactions are illustrated in the Scheme 2-2 and the corresponding reactions and their rates are shown in Table 2-2.

The reaction of CO+OH=CO<sub>2</sub>+H is not included in the original mechanism of DIPK. This has been visualized by showing the CO and CO<sub>2</sub> mole fraction for DIPK and was compared to 3-pentanone reaction mechanism. As a result CO mole fraction is remarkably higher than what is expected for a ketone (i.e. 3-pentanone). By inspecting the rate of production of CO and CO<sub>2</sub> in DIPK using the original mechanism, it is observed that the CO mole fraction is relatively high in DIPK comparing to other ketones (see the comparison between CO and CO<sub>2</sub> mole fractions for DIPK and 3-pentanone [41] in Figure 2-2). Therefore, the last reaction added to the mechanism is CO+OH $\rightarrow$ CO<sub>2</sub>+H, which is a major heat release channel during combustion, and was not included in the original mechanism. The rate for this reaction is taken from the study by Yu et al. [42]. It is worth to mention that the aim of this work is not to focus on the accurate reaction rates

determination, therefore the rates based on RMG calculations are preliminary values and provide insights on how adding these reactions affects the HCCI engine modeling predictions.



Scheme 2-1- Simplified oxidation scheme of DIPK at 20% fuel burn point, TBDC=422K, Pin=99kPa.



Scheme 2-2- Added pathways to the oxidation scheme; C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O and IVK H-abstraction reactions and radical decompositions.

| Reactions  | Α         | п    | $E_a$  | Ref.    |  |
|--|-----------|------|--------|---------|--|
| $IVK+H=C_6H_9O-1+H_2$  | 5.06E+07  | 1.98 | 11.791 | RMG[21] |  |
| $IVK+H=C_6H_9O-2+H_2$  | 3.76E+08  | 1.75 | 7.510  | RMG[21] |  |
| $IVK+OH=C_6H_9O-1+H_2O$  | 1.02E+13  | 0.00 | 5.945  | RMG[21] |  |
| $IVK+OH=C_6H_9O-2+H_2O$  | 7.20E+06  | 2.00 | 0.860  | RMG[21] |  |
| $IVK+HO_2=C_6H_9O-1+H_2O_2$  | 2.80E+04  | 2.69 | 25.88  | RMG[21] |  |
| $IVK+HO_2=C_6H_9O-2+H_2O_2$  | 1.68E+13  | 0.00 | 20.450 | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_{2}H_{2}+C_{4}H_{7}O=C_{6}H_{9}O-1$   | 2.00E+13  | 0.00 | 0.500  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_{3}H_{6}+C_{3}H_{3}O=C_{6}H_{9}O-2$   | 1.00E+13  | 0.00 | 0.500  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_6H_9O-1 = C_6H_9O-2$  | 6.00E+16  | 0.00 | 25.02  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+H=C_7H_{11}O-1+H_2$  | 5.06E+07  | 1.98 | 11.79  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+H=C_7H_{11}O-2+H_2$  | 1.29E+06  | 2.38 | 2.800  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+OH=C_7H_{11}O-1+H_2O$  | 1.02E+13  | 0.00 | 5.940  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+OH=C_7H_{11}O-2+H_2O$  | 3.60E+06  | 2.00 | 0.000  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+HO_2=C_7H_{11}O-1+H_2O_2$  | 2.80E+04  | 2.69 | 25.88  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{12}O+HO_2=C_7H_{11}O-2+H_2O_2$  | 1.73E-03  | 4.65 | 9.780  | RMG[21] |  |
| $pC_{3}H_{4}+C_{4}H_{5}O=C_{7}H_{11}O-1$   | 1.00E+13  | 0.00 | 0.500  | RMG[21] |  |
| $aC_{3}H_{4}+C_{4}H_{5}O=C_{7}H_{11}O-2$   | 2.00E+13  | 0.00 | 0.500  | RMG[21] |  |
| $C_7H_{11}O-1=C_7H_{11}O-2$  | 1.530E+16 | 0.97 | 37.73  | RMG[21] |  |
| CO+OH=CO <sub>2</sub> +H   | 7.05E+04  | 2.10 | -0.356 | [42]    |  |
| The rate coefficient is $K(T) = A T^n \exp(-E_a/RT) \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , with $E_a$ in kcal mol <sup>-1</sup> |           |      |        |         |  |

Table 2-2- RMG generated rate coefficients for added reactions in the modified mechanism

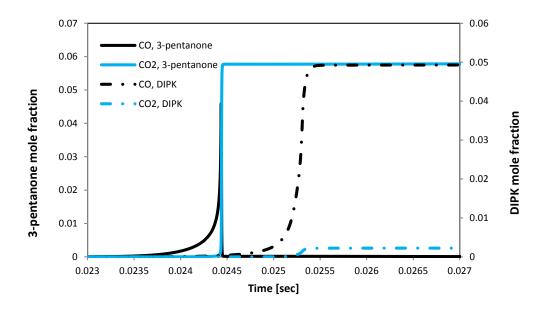


Figure 2-2- CO and CO<sub>2</sub> rate of production for 3-pentanone [41] and DIPK [25]

## 2.2.3 Multi-zone engine modeling

The limitations of single-zone modeling in precisely predicting of heat release rate result in considering additional computational zones corresponding to different physical regions in the HCCI engine. Although ignition timing can be investigated using the single-zone model, heat release rates in HCCI engines is largely controlled by charge non-uniformities. Since the charge in the Sandia HCCI engine was well premixed for these experiments, the heat-release rate is mainly affected by temperature non-uniformities resulting from heat transfer and turbulent convection. The multi-zone model can include all the important geometric effects while the computational time is kept short (compared to CFD). It is assumed that the cylinder volume is divided into multiple zones so that the summation of individual zone volume is equal to the cylinder volume. Each zone is treated as a closed homogenous reactor with the pressure which is the same for all the zones; however each zone has specified temperature and mass distribution. For the simulation, CHEMKIN-PRO multi-zone HCCI engine model is used and a 5 zone model is employed for the validation which was used previously by Sjöberg et al [36] for modeling the iso-octane HCCI experiments from Sandia. According to this model, the 5 zone model consists of an inactive zone which is sufficiently cold and never ignites as well as four active zones with the same mass fraction and thermal width. The inactive zone and the four active zones make the pressure of the end of combustion and the pressure rise during the combustion to be matched with the experiment, respectively.

The multi zone model is used to account for the thermal non-uniformities of in-cylinder charge and to avoid the over-prediction of pressure peak in single zone model. The initial conditions for both single and multi-zone simulations are the same. The experimental data of pressure and heat release for DIPK combustion in HCCI engine were used performed in Sandia national lab and compared to the simulation to reproduce the temperature of the hot zones.

Table 2-3- Multi-zone model configuration

| Zone #                | 1        | 2           | 3    | 4    | 5    |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------|------|------|------|
| Region                | Inactive | Active zone |      |      |      |
| Region                | zone     | Active zone |      |      |      |
| Mass distribution [%] | 10       | 22.5        | 22.5 | 22.5 | 22.5 |

The properties and configuration of the zones are summarized in Table 2-3. The engine properties such as compression ratio of 13.3, intake pressure of 98 kPa, equivalence ratio of 0.4 and 1200 RPM engine speed are used as in the single-zone modeling. The thermal width of each active zone is 5K which adds to a total of 20 K thermal width. The model has been performed to match the experimental data at TBDC=456 K. Since each zone in the model has particular BDC temperature, the model is identified by the maximum BDC temperature.

Thermal stratification has an important effect on increasing the HCCI engine load limit. Since the experimental data of DIPK combustion was obtained from Sandia HCCI engine, the multi zone model with the optimum thermal width of 20K at BDC (which is mainly the result of heat transfer) is used for simulation. This multi-zone model was introduced by Sjöberg et al [36], explored the HCCI combustion with thermal stratification and verified the model with the experimental data. It was observed that increasing the thermal width, decreases the pressure rise. Furthermore for a specific thermal width, the pressure increase rate drops with combustion retard.

## 2.3 <u>Results and discussions</u>

In this section, the improved kinetic model performance is studied against the data from shock tube and rapid compression machine experiment by comparing the ignition delay time as well as pyrolysis of DIPK, simulated in CHEMKIN. The improved kinetic model will also be used to conduct the single zone and multi zone models which are compared to the experimental pressure trace and heat release rate accordingly.

### 2.4 Ignition delay times

The ignition delay time is an important characteristic in a mixture combustion behavior. If the fuel has a short ignition delay time, it could autoignite before entering the combustor, which could cause structural damage to the engine components. There are strict emission standards which require proper engine design for sufficient mixing to provide lower pollutant levels. The ignition delay time calculations for DIPK have been performed with CHEMKIN-PRO using the Closed Homogenous Batch Reactor module at a pressure of 10 bar within the high and low temperature range of 900-1050 K and 650-750 K respectively. Both the original and modified reaction mechanisms have been used to calculate the ignition delay time and compared to the DIPK experimental data from Allen et al. [25] and shown in Figure 2-3. For the high temperature range, the simulation is compared with the limited shock tube data, while for the low temperature region with the rapid compression machine (RCM) experiments. Note that the RCM is simulated using the experimentally derived volume history which accounts for heat losses after the compression ending [25]. The details of the experimental setup and operating conditions can be found in Allen et.al [25].

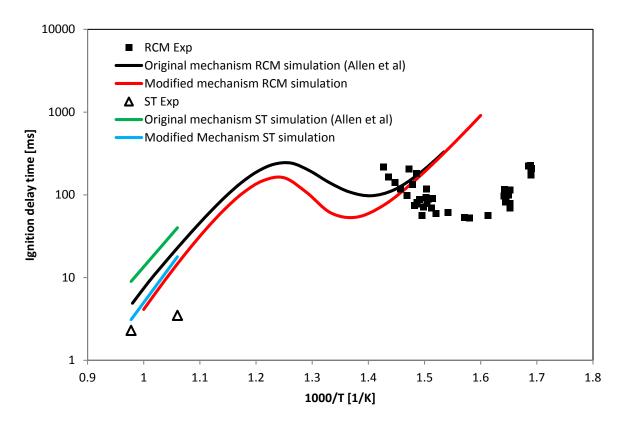


Figure 2-3- Modelled and measured [25] DIPK ignition delay times in shock tube and rapid compression machine at 10 bar

The model exhibits a reasonable prediction of ignition times at lower temperature ranges (RCM) while at higher temperatures, specifically at 943K (shock tube), some discrepancies can be observed between the simulation and the experiment. This may be caused by the uncertainties in the DIPK kinetic mechanism. However, the modified mechanism predictions for the shock tube data are better when compared to those of the original mechanism. The data from shock tube were limited to only two measurements and additional data within the high temperature region is needed to validate the DIPK kinetic model.

# 2.4.1 Pyrolysis experiments

The modified DIPK reaction mechanism has been further verified by comparison with the measured pyrolysis data from Allen et al. [25]. The pyrolysis modeling has been performed using the CHEMKIN-PRO plug flow reactor module. The reactor physical properties for simulation are the same as the experiment [25]. The tube is 230 mm long with 7.0 mm inner diameter. The inlet stream (2% DIPK in Argon) has been considered at the rate of 1 SLM at two different pressures of 30 and 760 Torr in the temperature ranges of 950-1350 K and 800-1200 K, respectively. The results are provided in Figure 2-4 for some of the major products. In general, the model is in reasonable agreement with the experiments for DIPK, H<sub>2</sub>, CO, propene, ethylene, acetylene and propyne for both pressures and the performance is similar when compared to the original mechanism. However, significant improvements in the predictions for CH4 and propyne concentrations are obtained with the modified model as compared to the original one.

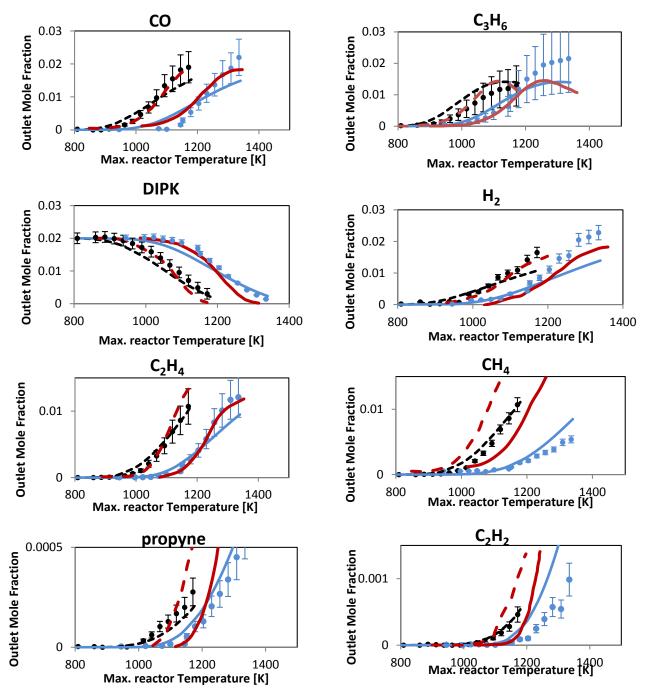


Figure 2-4- Measured (symbols) and predictions by the modified mechanism (lines) for the mole fractions during DIPK pyrolysis at 950-1350K at 30 Torr( blue) and 800-1200K at 760 Torr (black). The original mechanism predictions are also shown (red) at 30 Torr( solid) 760 Torr (dashed).

2.4.2 Single-zone model with heat transfer effects using improved reaction mechanism

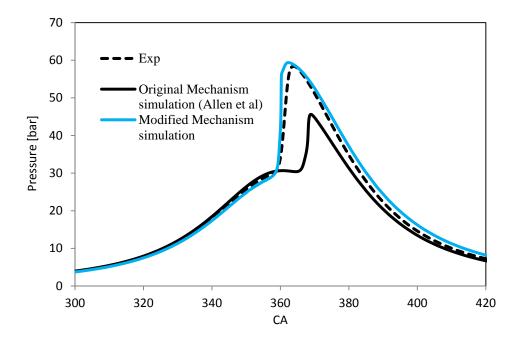
The assumption of adiabatic condition for HCCI engine is not valid as heat is transferred during combustion in HCCI engines. Auto ignition in HCCI engines is usually coupled with heat transfer effects [8]. The radiation heat transfer is small due to the low amount of soot as well as low temperature from lean combustion. Therefore, the dominant form of heat transfer is forced convection from bulk gas to the walls of combustion cylinder. In order to account for the heat loss effects, the Woschni correlation [33] is typically used for calculating the heat transfer coefficient. Woschni presented a correlation that relates the gas velocity to the man piston speed as well as the pressure rise (P-P<sub>motored</sub>) due to the combustion. The correlations in equations (2-1)

,(2-2) are based on the average velocity of the gas and instantaneous values of pressure and temperature in the combustion cylinder [33]. In the Woschni correlation, the average cylinder gas speed is estimated for calculation of Reynold's number from which the convective heat transfer coefficient between the gas mixture and chamber wall is obtained from Nusselt number. As a substitute for the mean piston speed, the average cylinder gas velocity, w, defined in (2-2), is used for *Re* calculation.  $c_{11}$ ,  $c_{12}$  and  $c_2$  are the modeling parameters and swirl ratio (Ratio of swirl velocity to mean piston speed which depends on swirl number) is taken to be 1.26 (considered to be constant for the simulation). All the coefficients in the Woschni correlation are set as default values except for heat transfer main coefficient, a, and average cylinder gas velocity coefficient,  $c_2$ , which are adjusted based on the heat release rate (HRR) analysis from experiments.

$$Nu = a \operatorname{Re}^{b} \operatorname{Pr}^{c}$$
(2-1)

$$w = c_1 s_p + c_2 \frac{v_d T_r}{P_r v_r} (P - P_m)$$
(2-2)

 $c_1 = c_{11} + c_{12} \cdot swirl \ ratio$ 



(2-3)

Figure 2-5- Single-zone model improved pressure trace for TBDC=456K.

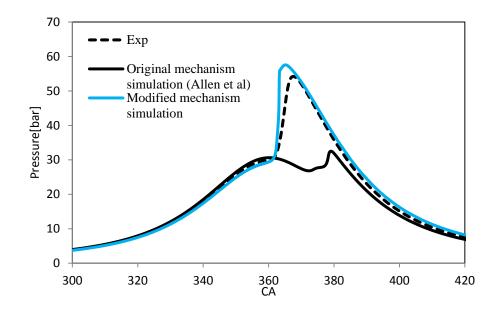


Figure 2-6- Single-zone model improved pressure trace for TBDC=452K

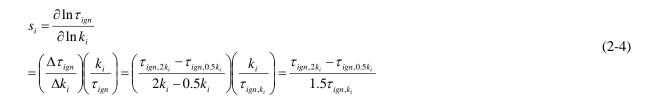
In Figure 2-5 and Figure 2-6, the non-adiabatic, single-zone HCCI engine pressure traces corresponding to two different BDC temperatures are calculated based on the modified chemical kinetic mechanism and compared to the experimental data. Also, the original model predictions are shown to indicate the improvements obtained. Note that the BDC temperature changed from 456K to 452K while the inlet pressure is adjusted to 98 kPa compared to the experimental value of 100 kPa. The crank angle corresponding to the inlet valve closed (IVC=205° CA) is taken to be the same as that of the engine used for experimental investigation. IVC in the original model was set at 180° CA to compensate the delay in the original model. As it can be noted from the pressure traces comparison, the modified model has very good agreement with the experimental pressure data. Still it could be argued that there are some small discrepancies from the onset of combustion up to the peak pressure which may be due to the uncertainties within DIPK mechanism reaction rates. Thus sensitivity analysis is conducted in the next section to understand the remaining discrepancies.

Also, not shown here are the predictions for the normalized heat release rates for various TBDC, corresponding to the pressure traces in Figure 2-5 and Figure 2-6. As with the pressure traces, the combustion phasing is kept the same between experiments and model (the intake pressure adjustment is used to maintain that value). The experimental heat release rate curves are broader with lower peaks than those of the computations. This discrepancy can be explained by the temperature inhomogeneity within the charge for the experiment, which are the result of heat transfer and turbulent convection, an effect that cannot not be considered in single-zone models.

## 2.4.3 Sensitivity analysis

Ignition delay time sensitivity analysis has been implemented. Figure 2-7 shows the sensitivity coefficient (defined in eqn.(2-4) ) for the 10 most sensitive reactions of DIPK mechanism at 1023 K and 30 bar (TDC conditions). Where  $\tau_{ign,ki}$  is the ignition delay time when the reaction rate (*ki*) is unmodified, and  $\tau_{ign,2ki}$  and  $\tau_{ign,0.5ki}$  are the ignition delay times when the reaction rate coefficient (*ki*) is multiplied and divided by a factor of 2, respectively. As can be seen from Figure 2-7, the most sensitive reaction is the H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> decomposition to two OH radicals.

Due to its chain-branching characteristic, the dissociation of  $H_2O_2$  is considered as the dominant kinetic characteristic in engine knock for HCCI engines operation [43]. According to a recent study of this reaction (Hong et al. [43]) using laser absorption diagnostics and shock tube, the uncertainty associated with the reaction rates is  $\pm 27\%$  for temperatures higher than 1200 K and  $\pm 23\%$  between 1000 and 1200 K. However, the reactions that warrant further attention or detailed investigations are those related to DIPK production and consumption. The most sensitive reaction in which DIPK is involved is the H-abstraction reaction from the fuel by HO<sub>2</sub> radical. The large uncertainties associated with reactions involving H-abstractions by HO<sub>2</sub> are due to the difficulty in experimentally studying such reactions and thus only calculations and estimations exist in the literature. A detailed sensitivity analysis for DIPK in different temperature regime can be found in the recent publication [25].



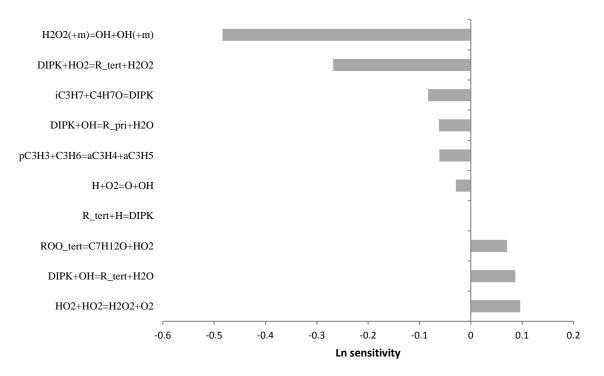


Figure 2-7- Ignition delay time sensitivity analysis at 1023 K, 30 bar

# 2.4.4 HCCI reactivity by engine speed sweep

The main heat release in HCCI engines occurs after early autoignition reactions at low and intermediate temperatures. Therefore, a high reactivity fuel (i.e. a fuel with strong low- and intermediate-temperature reactions) reaches hot ignition earlier than a fuel with low reactivity and the time of combustion can be used to compare the autoignition reactivity of different fuels. Also, the initial conditions for the HCCI engine such as, BDC temperature, intake pressure, engine speed, etc., can be varied in order to adjust the combustion timing to achieve a desired combustion

phasing. The reactivity of DIPK is calculated for various engine speeds versus BDC temperature sweep based on the modified reaction mechanism and compared to the Sandia experimental data [15] and are shown in Figure 2-8. As engine speed is varied, the combustion phasing is kept constant for the calculation by adjusting the initial temperature (the same as in the experiment). Here the 50% burn point (CA50) was at 372 deg. CA (12 deg. after top dead center) with constant equivalence ratio of  $\Phi$ =0.38 and 98 kPa constant intake pressure. Figure 2-8 shows that both the calculations and experiments indicate increasing trend of initial temperature required for higher engine speeds. Furthermore, the heat loss induces additional time to reach the desired CA50, which must be compensated for by higher BDC temperature. However, the rate of increasing trend at lower speeds (<1200 rpm) is greater than those at higher speeds (>1200 rpm) as there is less time for heat transfer to occur and the work increases nonlinearly with speed, increasing the charge temperature. The calculations have similar trend and very good agreement with the experiments. Note that the intake temperature in the experimental data has been compared to the BDC temperature of model since the model is the simulation of two phases of HCCI engine cycle, compression and combustion. Therefore, the BDC temperature is used as the initial temperature for the modeling.

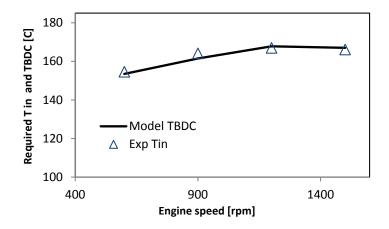


Figure 2-8- Comparison of HCCI reactivity, speed sweep vs. TBDC(model) and Tin (experiment[2]) at constant CA 372 deg. CA, P=100kPa, Φ=0.38

# 2.4.5 Intake temperature effects on HCCI autoignition

The BDC temperature and intake pressure are two important parameters in HCCI engine and are used for controlling the combustion phasing, which is required for an efficient, stable combustion in the engine. Therefore, the effects of intake pressure and temperature have been studied on autoignition characteristics of HCCI engine. The model was performed at constant intake pressure of 98 kPa with constant equivalence ratio of  $\Phi$ =0.4 at 1200 RPM engine speed, for various intake temperatures and the results of intake temperature versus 10% burn points (CA10) are compared to the experimental data (see Figure 2-9). As the temperature increases, the ignition occurs at earlier crank angle and the model and data show reasonable agreement. However, some discrepancies can be observed at lower temperature where the model predicts shorter ignition time than the experiment by about 1 degree CA.

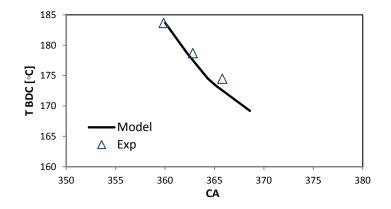


Figure 2-9- Comparison of experimental [2] BDC temperature with the simulation, the effects of BDC temperature on HCCI autoignition

## 2.4.6 Multi-zone engine

Figure 2-10 shows pressure, average accumulated heat release, heat release rate per crank angle, and average temperature resulting from the multi-zone simulation compared with the experimental data. The average temperature in the model stands for the average of 5 zones which is compared to the mass-averaged in-cylinder temperature from the experiments. The maximum required BDC temperature (T<sub>BDC,max</sub>) for the model is 450K which is slightly lower than that of the experiment. As a result, the simulation performed with improved chemical kinetic modeling is able to reproduce the experimentally observed pressure and heat release behavior reasonably. The model tends to slightly underestimate the heat release and overestimate the temperature particularly at the end of combustion. This could be due to the deficiencies in the DIPK chemical kinetics, the inability of the simple multi-zone approach to capture the complex engine environment, or the uncertainties in the experimental techniques. However, the excellent agreement obtained for pressure (Figure 2-10) indicate that the performance of the multi-zone model is satisfactory from a design perspective.

Figure 2-11 (right) shows the pressure sweep effects on low and intermediate heat release rate of DIPK HCCI engine modeling using the improved reaction mechanism. The 5 zone model has been used for simulation with  $\Phi$ =0.38 for the pressure range of 1-2.4 bar. The zones temperatures are selected such that the combustion timing is fixed to 358.3 CA. Figure 2-11 shows a pre-ignition heat release rate which becomes stronger as the inlet pressure increases. Comparing the simulated heat release rate with the normalized experimental HRR by Yang and Dec [15], we notice early heat release within the simulation, while in the experiment (not shown here), the ITHR remains constant as the pressure goes up from 1 to 1.6 bar. For the pressures greater than 1.6 bar (Figure 2-11- left), the experiment shows low temperature heat release. Considering a wider range for the CA degree in the simulation, the LTHR would be negligible at the pressures lower than 1.6 bar, yet remarkable at the pressures greater than 2 bar which agrees with the experiments.

The heat release rate comparison between the simulation and experiment shows similar behavior for DIPK. The trend of heat release rate versus pressure sweep tends to remain constant for the pressures of less than 1.6 bar. As the pressure goes up, the heat release rate shows an early heat release which gets stronger as the pressure increases. As the reaction mechanism is developed mainly based on calculations, there are some reactions contributing to LTHR or ITHR producing for which the reaction rate may not be precisely calculated. These reactions can be studied further in order to develop a comprehensive kinetic reaction mechanism.

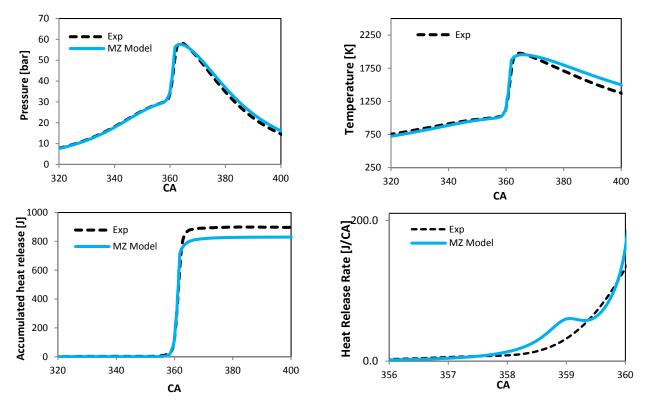


Figure 2-10- DIPK HCCI multi-zone model (TBDC,max = 450K); pressure (top left), average temperature (top right) average accumulated heat release (bottom left), and heat release rate (bottom right) vs. degree crank angle compared with the experimental data (TBDC=456K)

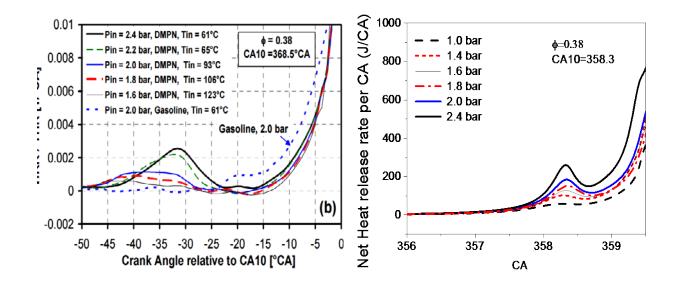


Figure 2-11- Pressure effects on ITHR of DIPK, Experimental ITHR (left) [15] and simulated ITHR (right). DMPN in the left graph stands for 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentanone (DIPK)

## 2.5 Conclusion

Ignition of a new biofuel- DIPK- in the Sandia HCCI engine was modeled. DIPK combustion in HCCI engine in combined simulation and experiment has been done and the simulation results of the pressure trace and heat release rate were verified against experimental data. The DIPK kinetic mechanism was modified to include intermediate reactions and species. The single-zone HCCI engine was simulated using CHEMKIN PRO for different BDC temperature and the modified mechanism displayed decent agreement with the experimental data for the pressure trace (when compared to the original mechanism predictions). Woschni correlation was used to account for heat transfer effects from the engine. DIPK HCCI reactivity was explored by calculation of the required BDC temperature for various engine speeds. The overall trends

showed that the required BDC temperature is increased by increasing the engine speed, however for the lower speed (<1200 rpm) the increase in the required temperature is higher than that of higher speed (>1200 rpm) in which there was not enough time for heat transfer. The DIPK mechanism was explored to determine the sensitive reactions that controlled ignition and heat release phenomena under current HCCI adiabatic single-zone model conditions (i.e. the reactions that had the biggest effect on the ignition timing and pressure rise). It was found that the predictions of the model were affected mainly by the rates of H-abstraction reactions of HO<sub>2</sub> and OH with the fuel, and that these reactions recommended for experimental investigation. The modified model was further validated based on data from shock tube, RCM, and pyrolysis experiments and indicated better agreement than the original mechanism. Since the single-zone model was not able to predict the experimental heat release rates, a multi-zone modeling study was conducted to investigate the heat release during the combustion and account for temperature variations within the bulk gas and low temperature regions in the thermal boundary layers and crevice. The pressure, heat release, and temperature profile for DIPK HCCI engine 5-zone model achieved very good agreement with the experiments. The present study provides engine designers a simple modeling approach (instead of the computationally expensive CFD techniques) for optimizing future HCCI engine operations while running exotic biofuels such as, ketones. (For more information refer to [44])

# CHAPTER 3: QUANTUM CHEMICAL CALCULATIONS OF MAJOR REACTIONS OF DIPK

## 3.1 Introduction

The reaction mechanism of a fuel is expressed by all the elementary steps from initiation of the reactions to product formation. The structures of the species and the sequences of the steps as well as the transformation of the initial step to the final products via transition state and their corresponding energies should be considered [45]. The theoretical organic chemistry deals with determination of these parameters which are generally hard to be identified by experiments. In this regard, quantum chemistry introduces the ways to investigate the chemical reactions in order to find out the effective ways of developing a comprehensive model to control the chemical process i.e. the combustion behavior of a fuel in a newly designed engine.

Intrinsic mechanism of a reaction is basically referred to the structural changes occurring in a system of reactions. Intrinsic mechanism can be described by solving the time dependent Schrödinger equation which is very complicated. Therefore, another approach is used in order to get an insight to the dynamics of reaction, the calculation of potential energy surface (PES).

All the models explaining the kinetic and thermodynamic properties of organic molecules and their combinations based on the geometrical characteristics can be described by PES. In a simple representation, Figure 3-1 shows the Potential energy curve for a two atom molecule where R is the equilibrium bond length and  $D_0$ - $D_e$  is the zero vibration energy.

The PES for a simple reaction can be very complicated depending on the total number of geometrical configurations, however in order to study the reaction mechanism it is sufficient to

have the information of certain part of PES, specifically the minima regions and to the saddle points which are also denoted as critical or stationary points [45].

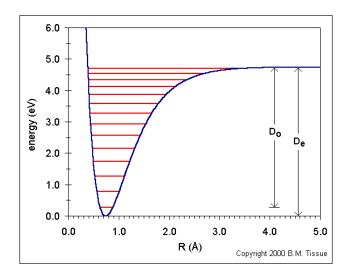


Figure 3-1- Potential energy curve for a two atom molecule; R is the equilibrium bond length; Do-De is the zero vibration energy

The joint experimental and theoretical work brings about a new aspect in the study of organic molecules at the excited state. The approach to find the transition state structures is to find the saddle point of PES. The characterization of the stationary point location on PES and calculation of its geometry and energy is called geometry optimization. The stationary point can be a minimum, a transition state or a higher order saddle point. Geometry optimization are performed by a guessed structure as the starting point going through an optimization procedure by computer program/algorithm to find the stationary point [46]. The program used in this work is Gaussian 09 [18] which provides the capabilities for electronic structure modeling.

Transition state theory (TST) which is referring to formation of an activated complex at the hypothetical state between reactant and product is used to determine the standard Gibbs free energy, enthalpy and entropy of the reactions of our interest in DIPK kinetic mechanism. TST is used to study the rate of the important reactions of DIPK in high and low temperature region.

The goal of this chapter is to identify the important consumption pathways for the reactions of DIPK primary and tertiary radicals with O<sub>2</sub>. The computational method of quantum chemical calculations is employed to obtain the energies and vibrational modes of various reaction pathways in the low temperature combustion of DIPK and estimate the corresponding rate constants for the reactions. The rate constant for each of the reactions of DIPK radicals with O<sub>2</sub> as well as the subsequent RO<sub>2</sub> radicals isomerization and decomposition reactions are estimated using CanTherm [19]. The transitional TST is used to compute the reaction rates with the option of tunneling correction. The geometry and frequency information from Gaussian output are used in CanTherm.

# 3.2 <u>Theoretical method</u>

## 3.2.1 Potential energy surfaces calculations

All calculations of Potential Energy Surfaces (PES) were achieved using the Gaussian 09 package of programs [47] at the DOE National Energy Research Supercomputer Center (NERSC). Molecular structures were generated and visualized with MolDen [48]. The transition state structures were located with STQN method using quadratic synchronous transit method to approach the quadratic area of the transition state followed by a quasi-Newton or eigenvector-following algorithm was used to accomplish the optimization [49]. The model chemistry CBS-QB3 was used to refine the enthalpies for the products, reactants, and transition states [50, 51]. This composite approach affords the best accuracy to computational effort ratio among the family

of the complete basis set (CBS) methods of Petersson et al [52]. It uses geometry optimized with B3LYP[53] hybrid density functional theory, and combines extrapolation to the CBS limit by using asymptotic convergence of Møller-Plesset second order (MP2) energies with correlation correction beyond second-order, up to the coupled cluster theory with single, double and perturbative triple electronic excitations (CCSD(T) level). In addition, this approach includes spin-orbit empirical correction. Specifically, CBS-QB3 method involves five steps: (1) geometry optimization at the B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) theory level; (2) B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) frequency calculation with a 0.99 scale factor for zero-point vibrational energies (ZPE); (3) UCCSD(T)/6-31+G(d') energy calculation; (4) MP4(SDQ)/6-31+G(df,p) energy calculation; (5) UMP2/6-311+G(2df,2p) energy calculation and CBS extrapolation. The CBS-QB3 approach is known to yield mean absolute deviation of 1.1 kcal/mol for the hears of formation on the G2/97 test set [54] and mean absolute deviation of 0.6 kcal/mol for the heats of formations for a set of 58 hydrocarbons [55].

# 3.3 <u>Rate constant calculations</u>

The high pressure rate constants for all the reactions are calculated using CanTherm [19]. The transition state theory (TST) with correction for tunneling is performed. The asymmetric Eckart tunneling [56] is used for tunneling correction. The temperature range of 298 – 1500 K was considered along with the scaling factor of 0.99 for all frequencies. The geometry, force constants and frequencies for each molecule in the reaction of interest were specified from the Gaussian outputs. The 0K energy computed at CBS-QB3 level of theory was also given from Gaussian. The rate constants were fitted to the modified Arrhenius equation.

#### 3.4 <u>Computational procedure</u>

The computational procedure which was used can be summarized as the following steps:

1) Defined the reaction network and explored the pathways

This network gives us all the possible intermediates and products as well as the relevant pathways.

2) Conducted quantum chemistry calculations using Gaussian at CBS-QB3 theory level

The job script is prepared to conduct the quantum chemistry calculation in which the geometry is given as a so-called z-matrix. The z-matrix for each structure includes all the atoms, bond lengths, angles and their relative connections. A sample job script is shown in Figure 3-2.

3) Confirmed that the geometries have been optimized properly

The confirmation is obtained by checking each structure and transition state energy such that:

- a. Minimum energy of each structure
- b. Each saddle point (TS) have one and only one imaginary frequency

All the visual inspections are done via Molden program [48].

4) Prepared the CanTherm [19] input files to calculate the rate constants

CanTherm input file is prepared for each single reaction and includes the geometry file (GEOM), force constants (FORCEC) and CBS-QB3 energy file (ENERGY) which need to be provided for reactants, transition state and products. The molecular structure should also be specified whether the molecule is linear or not. Also the temperature range of interest is given in the input file. A sample CanTherm input file is shown in Figure 3-3.

5) Run CanTherm

CanTherm is run using Python. The CanTherm input files are prepared for unimolecular and bimolecular reactions to calculate the rate constants.

6) Inspected the output for the rates constants

The output from running the CanTherm includes the following parts:

- a. Thermodynamic Data
- b. Translational and vibrational contributions
- c. Reaction rates

The reaction rates are tabulated versus different temperature and the fitting parameters are calculated in terms of Arrhenius format or modified Arrhenius format. A sample output for CanTherm is given in the Appendix B.

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Figure 3-2- A sample job script in Gaussian, with the z-matrix shown in the red box

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Figure 3-3- CanTherm input file sample

## 3.5 <u>Results and discussion</u>

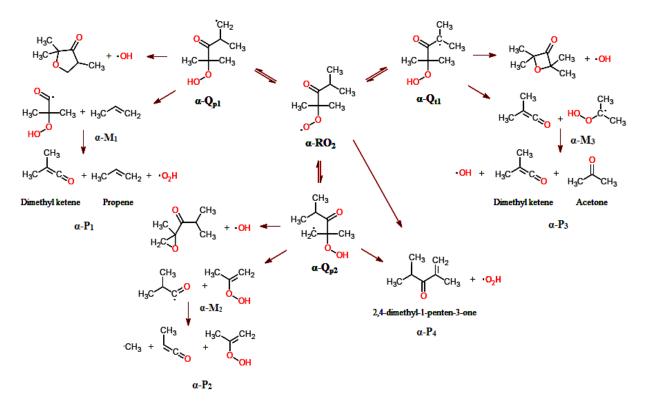
DIPK tertiary and primary radicals in lower temperature react with O<sub>2</sub> which form  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> respectively. RO<sub>2</sub> can either go through termination reaction by losing HO<sub>2</sub> and forming olefins, namely C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O or can lead to branching reaction channel which forms QOOH radical adding to O<sub>2</sub> due to the high oxygen concentrations at low temperature. QOOH decomposes to cyclic ether and OH radical or decompose through other pathways. All the possible reactions pathways for  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> are shown in Scheme 3-1 and 3-2.

### 3.5.1 $\alpha$ -R + O<sub>2</sub> reaction

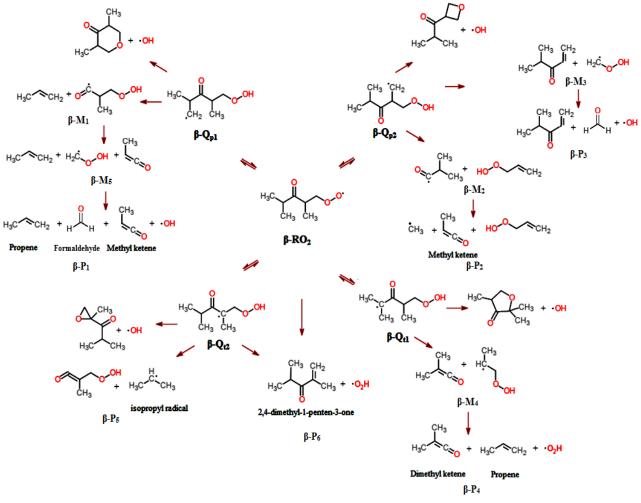
The reaction pathways of  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> are illustrated in Scheme 3-1. In order to build a simplified nomenclature, the  $\alpha$ -QOOH isomers are shown by combination of p or t subscript with numbers. For example,  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p1</sub> stands for a  $\alpha$ -QOOH isomer which is formed by H migration from primary site to the unpaired radical in O atom. If there is more than one primary site for H atom, then the difference between the isomers are recognized by numbers (i.e.  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p1.</sub>,  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p2</sub>, etc.). The decomposition of  $\alpha$ -Q radicals result in  $\alpha$ -M complex which is a radical and a stable intermediate. Furthermore,  $\alpha$ -Q radicals decompose to cyclic ethers and OH radicals. Although these reaction pathways are shown, they are not considered as the scope of current work. The calculation regarding the energy barriers of cyclic ethers can be found in the previous literature [6]. Finally, the radicals in  $\alpha$ -M complex decompose to the products set which are shown by  $\alpha$ -P.

The stationary points on potential energy surface for  $\alpha$ -R+O2 reaction are shown in Figure 3-4. Energies are computed at CBS-QB3 level of theory and given at 0K relative to the reactants. The HO2 elimination from  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p</sub>OOH is the most favorable pathway (in red).

DIPK tertiary and primary radicals react with  $O_2$  and forms  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ - RO<sub>2</sub> which can either decompose or isomerize to QOOH. The reaction pathways of  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ - RO<sub>2</sub> are shown in Scheme 3-1 and Scheme 3-2. The products and intermediates are observed within the schemes.



Scheme 3-1- Reaction pathways of  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub>



Scheme 3-2- Reaction pathways of  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub>

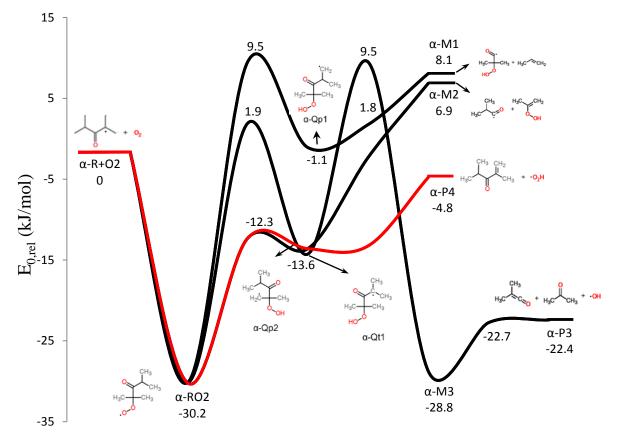


Figure 3-4- Stationary points on PES for  $\alpha$ -R+O<sub>2</sub> reaction. Energies are computed at CBS-QB3 level of theory and presented at 0K relative to the reactants. The HO<sub>2</sub> elimination from  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p</sub>OOH (shown as  $\alpha$ -Q<sub>p2</sub> in this figure) is the most favorable pathway, illustrated in red.

Table 3-1 shows the reactants, intermediates and products for  $\alpha$ -R + O<sub>2</sub> reaction with the corresponding structures. The corresponding reactions are given in Table 3-2. The rate constants calculated for  $\alpha$ -R + O<sub>2</sub> reactions using CanTherm are given in Table 3-3. Similarly the rate constant for  $\beta$ -R + O<sub>2</sub> reactions are tabulated in Table 3-4.

| Label                        | Structure   | E <sub>0,rel</sub> (kJ/mol) |
|------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| $\alpha$ -R + O <sub>2</sub> | $H_{3C}$ $H$  | 0                           |
| α-RO <sub>2</sub>            | CH <sub>3</sub><br>H <sub>3</sub> C + CH <sub>3</sub><br>H <sub>3</sub> C + CH <sub>3</sub>   | -30.2                       |
| α-Q <sub>p1</sub>            | CH <sub>2</sub><br>CH <sub>3</sub><br>H <sub>3</sub> C+CH <sub>3</sub><br>HO  | -1.1                        |
| α-Q <sub>p2</sub>            |   | -13.6                       |
| α-Q <sub>t1</sub>            | H <sub>3</sub> C+CH <sub>3</sub><br>H <sub>3</sub> C+CH <sub>3</sub><br>HO  | -14.3                       |
| α-Μ1                         | $H_3C$ $H_3C$ $H_3C$ $H_2C$ $H_2$ $H_3C$ $H_2$ $H_3C$ $H_2$ $H_3C$ $H_2$ $H_3C$ $H_2$ $H_$  | 8.1                         |
| α-Ρ1                         | $H_3C$ $H_3C$ $H_3C$ $H_3C$ $H_2C$ $H_2$ $H_2C$   | 30                          |
| α-Μ2                         | $H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} F_{3C} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C} F_{2} \xrightarrow{CH_{2}} F_{2} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C} F_{2} \xrightarrow{CH_{2}} F_{2} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C} F_{2} \xrightarrow{CH_{2}} F_{2} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C} F_{2} H_$ | 6.9                         |
| α-Ρ2                         | $CH_3 + CH_3 + CH_2 + CH_2 + CH_2 + CH_2$   | 41.8                        |
| α-Μ3                         | H <sub>3</sub> C <sup>CH<sub>3</sub></sup> + HO <sub>0</sub> C <sup>CH<sub>3</sub></sup>  | -28.8                       |
| α-Ρ3                         | $H_3C$ $CH_3$ $H_3C$ $CH_3$ $H_3C$ $CH_3$ $H_3C$ $CH_3$ $H_3C$ $CH_3$ $H_3C$   | -22.4                       |
| α-Ρ4                         | $H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3} CH_{2}}_{CH_{3}} + \cdot O_{2H}$  | -8.0                        |

Table 3-1- Reactants, intermediates, products in  $\alpha$ -R + O<sub>2</sub> reaction; energies are at 0K relative to the reactants

| No. | Reaction  | Structure  |
|-----|---|--|
| aO  | $\alpha$ -R+O <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -RO <sub>2</sub>      | $ + o_2 \rightarrow H_3C \rightarrow CH_3 + O_2 \rightarrow CH_3 $   |
| a1  | $\alpha$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow$ $\alpha$ -Q <sub>p1</sub> | $\begin{array}{c} CH_3 & CH_2 \\ CH_3 & CH_2 \\ H_3C + CH_3 & H_3C + CH_3 \\ H_3C + CH_3 \\ H_3C + CH_3 \\ H_3C + CH_3 \\ H_3C + CH$  |
| a2  | α-RO <sub>2</sub> ↔α-Q <sub>p2</sub>                                  | $\begin{array}{c} CH_3 & CH_3 \\ \bullet & CH_3 & H_3C \\ H_3C - CH_3 & H_2C - CH_3 \\ \bullet & OH \end{array}$   |
| a3  | α-RO2↔α-Qt1   | $\begin{array}{c} CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ H_3C \\ CH_3 \\ H_3C \\ CH_3 \\ H_3C \\ H_$  |
| a4  | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>p1</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -M <sub>1</sub>        | $\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ H_3C \\ & & & \\ HO \end{array} \xrightarrow{CH_3} H_3C \\ & & H_3C \\ & & HO \end{array} \xrightarrow{CH_3} H_3C \\ & & CH_2 \\ & & \\ HO \end{array}$   |
| a5  | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>p2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -M <sub>2</sub>        | $H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{2}} H_{3$   |
| аб  | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>t1</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -M <sub>3</sub>        | $\begin{array}{c} CH_{3} \\ CH_{3} \\ H_{3}C \\ H_{3}$   |
| a7  | $\alpha$ -M <sub>1</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>1</sub>         | $H_{3}C - CH_{3} + H_{3}C CH_{2} \rightarrow H_{3}C CH_{2} + H_{3}C CH_{2} + O_{2}H$   |
| a8  | $\alpha$ -M <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>2</sub>         | $\begin{array}{cccc} CH_3 & H_3C & CH_2 \\ H_3C & C & CH_2 & CH_3 & H_3C & CH_2 \\ H_3C & C & CH_3 & CH_3 & CH_3 & CH_3 \\ \end{array}$  |
| a9  | $\alpha$ -M <sub>3</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>3</sub>         | $H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{0} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{3C} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{3C} \xrightarrow{O} H_{3C} $ |
| a10 | $\alpha$ -R+O <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>4</sub>       | $ \begin{array}{c} & & \\ & & $  |

Table 3-2- The structures of the reactions of  $\alpha\text{-}R+O_2$ 

| a11 | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>p2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>4</sub> | $H_{3}C \xrightarrow{CH_{3}}_{H_{2}C \xrightarrow{CH_{3}}_{CH_{3}}} H_{3}C \xrightarrow{CH_{3}}_{CH_{3}} + \cdot O_{2}H$ |
|-----|--|--|
|-----|--|--|

Table 3-3- Rate constants calculated for the reactions of  $\alpha\text{-}R+O_2$ 

| No. |   | А        | n     | Ea[kcal/mol] |
|-----|---|----------|-------|--------------|
| al  | $\alpha$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \alpha$ -Q <sub>p1</sub> | 3.35E+01 | 3.28  | 19.2         |
| a2  | $\alpha$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \alpha$ -Q <sub>p2</sub> | 5.22E+10 | 0.87  | 18.11        |
| a3  | $\alpha$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \alpha$ -Q <sub>t1</sub> | 1.45E-06 | 5.54  | 22.47        |
| a4  | $\alpha$ - $Q_{p1} \rightarrow \alpha$ - $M_1$                      | 2.48E+15 | 0.2   | 4.12         |
| a5  | $\alpha$ - $Q_{p2} \rightarrow \alpha$ - $M_2$                      | 2.94E+15 | 0.04  | 12.53        |
| a6  | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>t1</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -M <sub>3</sub>      | 3.73E+12 | 0.24  | 24.36        |
| a7  | $\alpha - M_1 \rightarrow \alpha - P_1$                             | 6.65E+12 | 0.32  | 58.59        |
| a8  | $\alpha$ -M <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>2</sub>       | 7.03E+32 | 1.6   | 36.61        |
| a9  | $\alpha$ -M <sub>3</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>3</sub>       | 2.49E+06 | 0.05  | 6.06         |
| a10 | $\alpha$ -R+O <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>4</sub>     | 1.94E-24 | 10.80 | 12.10        |
| a11 | $\alpha$ -Q <sub>p2</sub> $\rightarrow \alpha$ -P <sub>4</sub>      | 7.57E+15 | -0.38 | 1.38         |

Table 3-4- Rate constants calculated for the reactions of  $\beta\text{-}R+O_2$ 

| No. |   | А        | n    | Ea[kcal/mol] |
|-----|---|----------|------|--------------|
| b1  | $\beta$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \beta$ -Q <sub>p1</sub> | 1.22E+03 | 2.59 | 18.42        |
| b2  | $\beta$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \beta$ -Q <sub>p2</sub> | 2.23E+10 | 0.9  | 21.93        |
| b3  | $\beta$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \beta$ -Q <sub>t1</sub> | 3.91E+01 | 3.28 | 19.24        |
| b4  | $\beta$ -RO <sub>2</sub> $\leftrightarrow \beta$ -Q <sub>t2</sub> | 9.76E-08 | 5.62 | 5.78         |
| b5  | $\beta$ - $Q_{p1} \rightarrow \beta$ - $M_1$                      | 9.93E+13 | 0.07 | 0.04         |
| b6  | $\beta$ - $Q_{p2} \rightarrow \beta$ - $M_2$                      | 8.69E+36 | 0.17 | 11.49        |
| b8  | $\beta$ - $Q_{t1} \rightarrow \beta$ - $M_4$                      | 1.76E+15 | 0.02 | 15.62        |
| b9  | $\beta$ - $Q_{t2} \rightarrow \beta$ - $P_5$                      | 1.83E+11 | 0.76 | 8.63         |
| b12 | $\beta$ -M <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow$ $\beta$ -P <sub>2</sub>     | 3.94E+12 | 0.28 | 78.15        |
| b14 | $\beta$ -R+O <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \beta$ -P <sub>6</sub>     | 6.01E-06 | 5.22 | 16.15        |
| b15 | $\beta$ - $Q_{t2} \rightarrow \beta$ - $P_6$                      | 7.43E+11 | 0.6  | -1.39        |

# 3.6 <u>Conclusion</u>

The low temperature region kinetics is dominated by DIPK radicals reactions with O2 for which the quantum chemical calculations are used to estimate the rate constants. The calculations were performed using Gaussian and the rate constants were calculated using CanTherm program.

The reaction network pathways for  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> were illustrated in which all the possible reactions were considered for calculation. The geometry structures were built using Molden and the optimizations and energy calculations were estimated at CBS-QB3 level of theory. The outputs from Gaussian were used to prepare the input file of CanTherm which calculated the corresponding reaction rates accordingly.

The reactions will be studied in the next chapter in terms of product identification and branching ratios at low temperature region. The reason is the quantum chemical calculations were performed for all the possible reactions, therefore the abundance of the products and the relevant quantifications are required to be investigated which is the scope of next chapter.

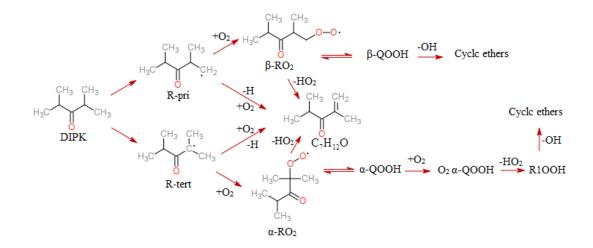
# CHAPTER 4:OH-INITIATED OXIDATION OF DIPK AT LOW TEMPERATURE

# 4.1 Introduction

As the energy security requires new sources of energy, biofuels are getting increasing attention nowadays as a proper alternative fuel especially in transportation/engine industry. Microorganisms produce some advanced biofuels which show comparable characteristics to the fuels with petroleum basis [57]. Among the biofuels, the cellulosic types are more important due to the greater reduction of green-house gases [58-60]. The combustion properties of DIPK as a prototypical biofuel in a HCCI engine are studied for different operating parameter sweeps in which extensive ranges of BDC temperature, intake pressure, engine speed, and equivalence ratio have been taken into account [61]. It was found that DIPK shows strong temperature sensitivity which results in lower heat release rate. Therefore a HCCI engine working with DIPK can reach to a higher thermal efficiency comparing to an engine with the same load of gasoline[61]. DIPK kinetic model for oxidation and pyrolysis has been developed [6] using reaction mechanism generator software [21] and the model is evaluated using experiments. A Cl-initiated oxidation of DIPK was investigated. However, the model is not able to predict the ignition behavior of DIPK in low and high temperature range. The low temperature oxidation kinetic is not very well-known for the larger ketones such as DIPK. The current work studies the primary phases in DIPK oxidation experimentally, concentrating on the low temperature region where peroxy radical (ROO) chemistry plays important part in the fuel combustion behavior [62, 63]. The oxidation of DIPK is initiated using pulsed- laser photolysis of hydrogen peroxide to produce OH radical.

Hydroxyl radical is an important part of the oxidation process in combustion [42, 64, 65] and contributes to major reaction channels [66, 67]. In the Cl-initiated oxidation, the chlorinated products are present and in addition, the secondary reactions of chlorine atom (Cl atom+other products) should be taken into account; while the OH-initiated oxidation gives the spectra of desirable products within the oxidation process.

The initiation reaction in low temperature oxidation is the H abstraction reaction from the fuel molecule. DIPK goes through H atom abstraction reactions at tertiary and primary sites (a and  $\beta$  carbon) resulting in the formation of two different fuel radicals, denoted as R<sub>pri</sub> and R<sub>tert</sub>. In the presence of excess O<sub>2</sub>, DIPK radicals in lower temperature react with O<sub>2</sub> which form R<sub>p</sub>OO and  $R_1OO$ , generally denoted as  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> respectively. RO<sub>2</sub> can either go through termination reaction by losing HO<sub>2</sub> and forming unsaturated coproducts, olefins, such as  $C_7H_{12}O$  or can lead to branching reaction channel which forms QOOH radical adding to O<sub>2</sub> due to the high oxygen concentrations and low temperature [68]. This branching channel results in the formation of cyclic ethers (CE) and OH radicals which increase the reactivity of the mixture. The low temperature oxidation pathways of DIPK is shown in Scheme 4-1. As the temperature increases from low region to the intermediate region, RO<sub>2</sub> formation is substituted by HO<sub>2</sub> which causes the reactivity to be decreased. The decrease of reactivity by increasing the temperature is known as negative temperature coefficient (NTC) behavior. The experimental data from RCM conducted by Allen et al [6] shows DIPK NTC behavior however the model based on their mechanism was unable to predict this region. The aim of the current work is to determine the dominant consumption pathways during oxidation of DIPK at low temperature based on the analysis of the products identified experimentally.



Scheme 4-1- DIPK low temperature oxidation pathway

#### 4.2 ALS Experimental method

The present experiment uses tunable, high brightness radiation in the vacuum ultraviolet (VUV), as provided by beam line 9.0.2, at the Advanced Light Source (ALS) at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL), which allows isomer-specific photoionization detection of reactants and products from photolytically initiated gas-phase reactions. Sandia's highly multiplexed photoionization mass spectroscopy (MPIMS) experiment which can monitor all products simultaneously with superior sensitivity [69] is used to isomer-resolved study of reactions and molecules. It is not possible to study the branching ratios or product spectrum using the shock tube/OH/H/O absorption or Laser Induced Flouroscence techniques [7, 70] (where the overall reaction is obtained by monitoring the decay of radicals). Hence the isomer specific detection provided by ALS MPIMS is critically needed to distinguish between products to derive branching ratios. By detecting the product spectrum branching ratios are estimated.

The Sandia apparatus is designed to study the kinetics of primary gas phase reactions by monitoring the time resolved concentrations of chemical species followed by the initiation reaction using laser photolysis [71]. The apparatus schematic is illustrated in Figure 4-1. The Sandia apparatus consists of a heated 1.05 cm inner diameter quartz flow tube with a ~650 µm aperture through which gas escapes. A collimated molecular beam is formed by passing the effluent through a skimmer. Continuous, tunable ionizing radiation provided by the synchrotron intersects the molecular beam orthogonally and ions are accelerated into a linear time-of-flight mass spectrometer. Because the apparatus collects time- and photon-energy-resolved mass spectra, the products are detected as a function of mass, time, and energy, yielding a 3-dimensional dataset [6, 69, 72-74] that can be sliced and integrated accordingly to obtain photoionization spectra and temporal profiles for individual species (see Figure 4-2). Photolysis by a pulsed excimer laser operating between 193-351 nm at 10 Hz is used to initiate experiments in some cases. Mass flow controllers (MKS) are used to introduce reactants and carrier gas into the flight tube (for details, refer to [6, 69, 72-74]). The position and time of arrival with respect to the photo-dissociation laser is recorded for each ion [71]. The experiment is repeated, and the signal averaged, for up to 20000 laser pulses. The schematic of the entire setup is shown in Figure 4-3.

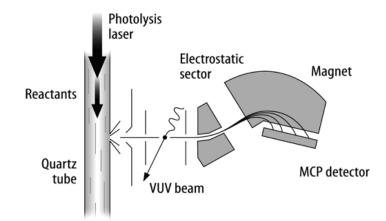


Figure 4-1- Schematic of experimental apparatus [69]

The oxidation of DIPK is initiated by flash photolysis laser towards hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>). Photolysis of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> -producing OH [73] - by a pulsed excimer laser operating at 248nm at 10 Hz is used to initiate experiments in the reactant mixure (urea-hydrogen peroxide adduct, biofuel, helium diluent): H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> + hv (248 nm)  $\rightarrow$  2 OH.

Note that the absorption cross section of ketones in this wavelength region is very negligle – at least 1000 times weaker than the radical precursors (see ref. [75]). The H-abstraction reactions by OH radicals from the fuel result in the formation of primary and tertiary radicals which can react with  $O_2$  accordingly to produce several possible products [42, 67, 71]:

$$DIPK + OH \rightarrow R_{pri} + H_2O$$
(R 1)

$$DIPK + OH \rightarrow R_{tert} + H_2O$$
(R 2)

$$R_{pri} + O_2 \rightarrow Products$$
 (R 3)

$$R_{tert} + O_2 \rightarrow Products$$
 (R 4)

Similarly for n-butanol, we come up with four different radicals which are reacting with excess O<sub>2</sub>.

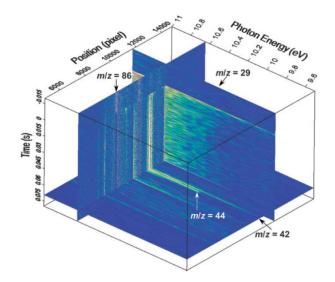


Figure 4-2- A sample three dimensional dataset measured in [76]

The relative contribution of biofuel bound oxygen to the OH initiated products is probed by replacing the fuel 16O with 18O. The OH-initiated oxidation in ALS experiments are performed for some fuels [42, 67] which are similar to the procedure recently used by our Sandia collaborators to probe Chlorine initiated reaction systems. The details regarding the Cl-initiated oxidation of DIPK can be found in the relevant literatures [6, 76, 77]. Along with the product identification, estimating the branching ratio is an important step to determine the relative concentrations of the products and is performed in this chapter as another goal of this experiment. The branching ratio for the reaction of  $R_1+R_2$  in three different pathways resulting in three different product set is shown in . The percentage of generated products are also displayed in front of each product. The branching ratio of  $P_1 : P_2 : P_3$  is simply defined as x: y: z.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow P_1 & x \ \% \\ & \rightarrow P_2 & y \ \% & P_1 : P_2 : P_3 \ \text{branching ratio:} & x: y: z \\ & \rightarrow P_3 & z \ \% \end{array}$$

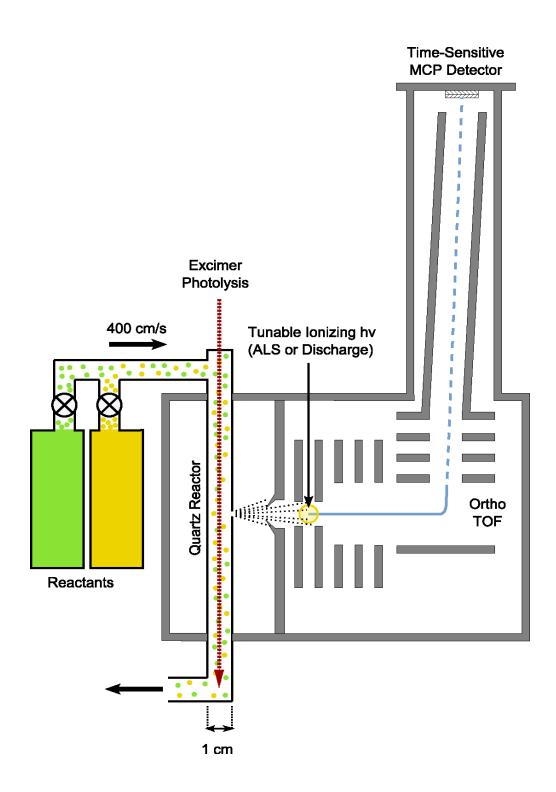


Figure 4-3- Experimental setup schematic [76]

#### 4.3 <u>Results and discussion</u>

# 4.3.1 Diisopropyl ketone (DIPK) OH-initiated oxidation

DIPK oxidation experiments are performed at 450, 500 and 550 K; however, the oxidation is investigated at 450 and 500 K due to substantial decomposition of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> at the wall of the reactor tube at higher temperatures. Species and products identification is based on a comparison of photoionization spectra at a particular mass-to-charge ratio with absolute photoionization cross sections [74, 76, 78]. The three dimensional dataset I(E, t, m/z) which is the signal I as a function of photon energy, time and mass to charge ratio, is integrated over a range of kinetic times to obtain the two dimensional dataset of I(E,m/z), the photoionization spectra corresponding to a specific mass to charge ratio.

The full spectra are recorded in every 20  $\mu$ s over 150 ms kinetic time. The masses can be identified based on the exact locations of the peaks [79]. For the isomers, the identification is done by comparing the ionization efficiency and photoionization spectra which should be different from each other. The photoionization spectra is the intensity of the ion signal versus the photon energy. There are many known photoionization spectra corresponding to the known species that can be compared to the ion signal to assign a product to a peak.

The ions signal as a function of photon energy at a specific m/z is a sum over the isomeric contributions [79]:

$$S_{m/z}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}(E) = \varphi \alpha_{m/z} \sum_{i} c_{i}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \sigma_{i}(E)$$
(4-1)

where  $S_{m/z}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}(E)$  is the ion signal integrated over the kinetic time range of  $(t,t+\Delta t)$  at a given m/z.

The signal is normalized to ALS photon energy.  $\varphi$  is the instrument factor, a collection of species-independent factor [80] and  $\alpha$  is defined as :

$$\alpha_{m/z} = m_i^{\beta}$$
   
 $\begin{cases} \beta = 0.64 & 300 \text{ K}, 4 \text{ Torr} \\ \beta = 0.6 & 550 - 700 \text{ K}; 4 - 5.1 \text{ Torr} \end{cases}$ 

(4-2)

 $c_i^{(t,t+\Delta t)}$  is the concentration of isomer *i* averaged over the kinetic time range of  $(t,t+\Delta t)$ . The ions signal is scaled such that they could be matched with the absolute photoionization cross section  $\sigma_i(E)$ . The expression for ion signal equation (4-1) can be written in terms of relative

concentration or branching ratio:

$$S_{m/z}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}(E) = \sum_{i} x_{i}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \sigma_{i}(E)$$
(4-3)

where  $x_i$  is the branching ratio for the species with the same mass.

Time-resolved photoionization mass spectrum of DIPK+H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>+O<sub>2</sub> carried by Helium as the bath gas is obtained using the background-subtracted signal integrated over photon energies from 8.0–11.0 eV. The presence of numerous product peaks after the laser photolysis demonstrates the formation of product and co-products through various channels. By integrating the timeresolved photoionization mass spectrum over a period of time after laser photolysis, a time- and photon energy-integrated difference mass spectrum is achieved. Figure 4-4 displays the mass spectra obtained at 500K and 6 Torr for the mixture of DIPK+H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>+O<sub>2</sub>. The spectra show the changes in the products concentration and result from integrating the relative signal from 20ms to 40ms which is the duration immediately after the laser photolysis and from photon energies of 8.0-11.0 eV. The negative signal at m/z=114 shows the consumption of DIPK. The dissociative ionization of DIPK is also observed at the negative signals of m/z=70 and 71. The most significant peaks intensity are corresponding to m/z values of 42, 43, 44, 58, 59, 69, 70, 71, 85, 100, 112 and 128. The peaks at DIPK OH-initiated oxidation at 300 K show relatively weaker ion signals than 450 and 500 K. The presence of the strongest peaks at the masses smaller than DIPK (m/z=114) shows that the bond fission pathway is more dominant than the initial oxidation kinetic steps [78]. Some of the peaks are the products and some are the dissociative ionization of higher masses.

The identification of the products and stable intermediates is performed by comparing the photoionization spectrum at a mass over charge ratio of interest with the standard photoionization efficiency (PIE) corresponding to the same mass. Figure 4-5 shows the major peaks photoionization spectra of m/z=42, 44, and 58 at the temperatures 450 K and 500 K. The peaks at m/z=42 and 44 are compared with propene and acetaldehyde PIE respectively which are found to be the most dominant contribution for those masses at all temperatures.

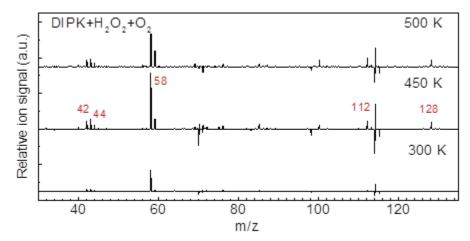


Figure 4-4- Integrated difference mass spectra for OH initiated oxidation of DIPK at 300, 450 and 500 K, obtained by integration over the photon energy 8.4-11.0 eV and the kinetic times until 20 ms after the laser photolysis

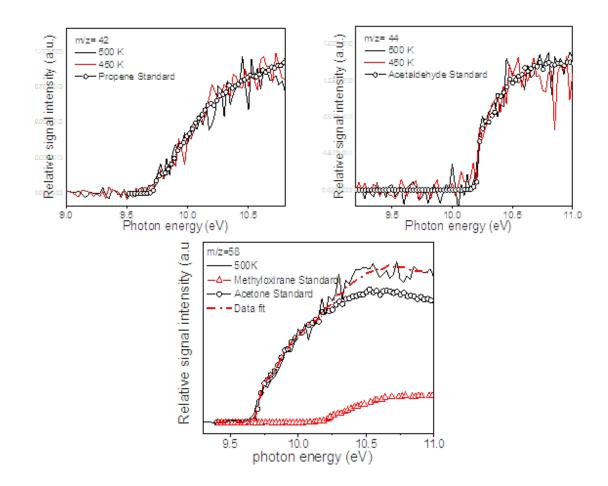


Figure 4-5- Photoionization spectra of m/z=42, 44 and 58 at different temperatures simulated by the standard PIE spectra of Propene [78], Acetaldehyde [78] and Acetone+Methyloxirae respectively

The peak of m/z=58 is the strongest ion signal in the mass spectra of OH-initiated oxidation of DIPK for the temperatures of 300, 450 and 500 K. The corresponding photoionization spectra at m/z= 58 (Figure 4-5) is assigned to Acetone as the major contribution for energy range of lower than 10.2 eV; however, above 10.2 there is another contribution due to the presence of Methyloxirane. The branching ratio for Acetone: Methyloxirane is found: 10:3 at 500 K. The curve fitted to Acetone+Methyloxirane with the branching ratio of 10:3 is matched with the experimental data. At 300 and 450 K, Acetone was found to be in excess over Methyloxirane. The peaks associated with m/z=59 and 100 are the daughter ions of m/z=128.

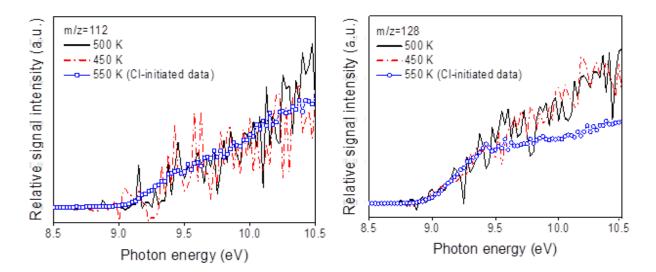


Figure 4-6- Photoionization spectra of m/z=112 corresponding to  $C_7H_{12}O_1$ , (left) and m/z=128 corresponding to cyclic ether,  $C_7H_{12}O_2$  (right) at different temperatures along with a comparison to the PIE spectra from Cl-initiated experiment (Allen et al. [6])

As it is mentioned before, there are two important consumption pathways for the fuel. One is RO<sub>2</sub> isomerization to QOOH through H atom migration, which accordingly decomposes to OH radicals and different cyclic ethers (m/z=128), recognized by their structures (See Figure 4-7).

The adiabatic ionization energies corresponding to the possible cyclic ethers forming from this pathway are calculated at CBC-QB3 level of theory[6] using Gaussian [18]. Another main consumption pathway is through HO<sub>2</sub> elimination from the radicals which results in the formation of  $C_7H_{12}O$  (m/z=112). The competition between these two pathways is a function of pressure and temperature and determines the kinetics of low temperature oxidation [78].

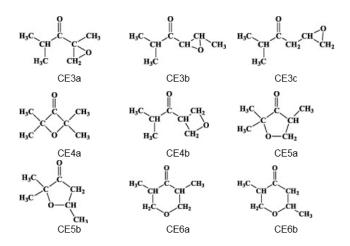


Figure 4-7- Possible cyclic ethers formed in DIPK oxidation

The photoionization spectra for m/z=112 and 128 are shown in Figure 4-6 at 450 and 500 K, compared to the Cl-initiated oxidation of DIPK. The scaled photoionization spectrum of m/z=112 at 450 and 500 K are in good agreement with the spectrum from DIPK Cl-initiated oxidation experiment. The OH-initiated photoionization spectra of m/z=128 as well as the Cl-initiated spectrum demonstrate similar onset at 8.8 eV. However, the photoionization spectrum of m/z=128 corresponding to OH-initiated oxidation of DIPK shows discrepancy comparing to the results from Cl-initiated experiment at the photon energies higher than 9.4 eV. While the former shows a smooth rise up to 10.5 eV, the latter seems to have a break point at 9.4 eV and tends to become a plateau after the rise. By looking into the AIE table for possible cyclic ethers calculated by Allen et al [6], we can find a three-membered ring cyclic ether (CE3) formed from RsOO, the addition of O<sub>2</sub> to the secondary radical (which is formed from primary radical through radicals rearrangement). The three membered ring cyclic ethers which have relatively higher energy than their isomers with five or six membered ring, are usually expected to be formed in relatively much smaller amount; nevertheless, the photoionization spectrum from OH-initiated experiment shows

that CE3 has noticeable contribution to the peak m/z=128. CE3 can be produced through two different reaction pathways of  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \beta$ -Q<sub>t2</sub> $\rightarrow$ CE3+OH or  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow \beta$ -Q<sub>t2</sub> $\rightarrow$ CE3+OH (See Figure 4-7)

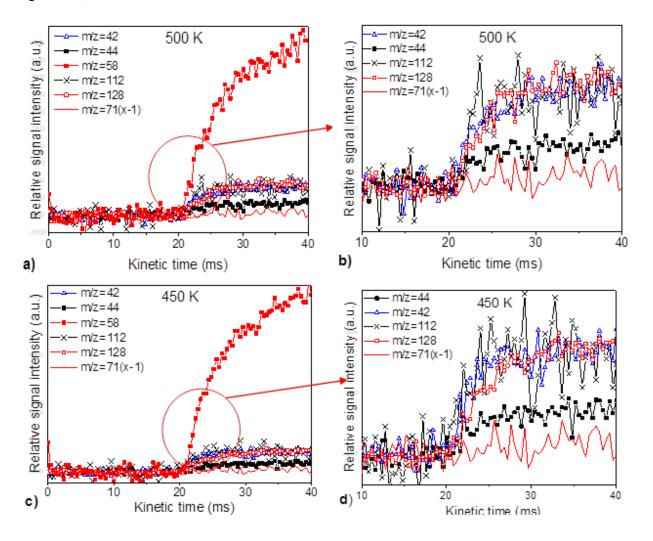


Figure 4-8- a) Time profiles of m/z = 42, 44, 58, 112, 128, and 71 at 500 K, obtained by integration over photon energies from 8.4 - 11.0 eV. The consumption of DIPK is shown by the profile of its daughter ion at m/z = 71, shown multiplied by (-1); b) time profiles of larger view (m/z=58 excluded); c) Time profiles at 450 K; d) time profiles of larger view

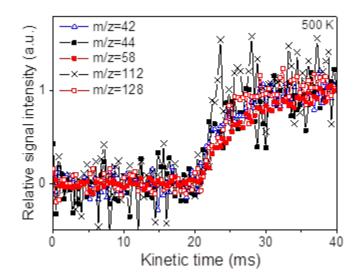


Figure 4-9- Time profiles of m/z = 42, 44, 58, 112, and 128 at 500 K, obtained by integration over photon energies from 8.4 - 11.0 eV, scaled such that all the profiles intensities (in arbitrary unit) are equal to unity at a kinetic time of 40 ms (20 ms after the laser photolysis).

One important feature of multiplexed photoionization mass spectroscopy (MPIMS) is combination of photoionization with time-resolved mass spectroscopy. The time profiles of the mass peaks matching to the major products formed at 500 K are given in Figure 4-8. The plots represent the background-subtracted data sliced at different m/z and obtained by integration over photon energies from 8.4 - 11.0 eV until 20 ms after photolysis, during which the temperature within the reactor tube remains constant. The consumption of DIPK is shown by the profile of its daughter ion at m/z = 71, shown multiplied by (-1). The peak of m/z=58 which corresponds to Acetone and Methyloxirane, shows substantial rise after the photolysis. The time profiles of the mass peaks corresponding to the major products formed at 450 K are also shown in Figure 4-8. Figure 4-9 represents the time profiles of m/z = 42, 44, 58, 112, and 128 at 500 K, obtained by integration over photon energies from 8.4 - 11.0 eV, scaled such that all the profiles intensities (in arbitrary unit) are equal to unity at the kinetic time of 40 ms (20 ms after the laser photolysis). The shape of the scaled time profiles for the major products are very similar to each other, suggesting that the branching ratios are the same at every kinetic time [79, 80].

The time profiles of major products at different temperatures display the competition between the fuel radicals thermal decomposition pathway and the radicals reaction with O<sub>2</sub>. The time profile of Propene (m/z=42), acetaldehyde (m/z=44), C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O and cyclic ether are shown in Figure 4-10 at temperatures of 300, 450 and 500K. Cyclic ether and C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O are also found to be more produced as the temperature increases, yet their signals intensities are almost the same at 450 and 500 K. While propene is produced monotonically as temperature increases, acetaldehyde reaches a maximum at 450K and starts to decrease at 500 K. The intensities shown in Figure 4-10 are denoted as relative product yield [79]. The products branching ratio or "relative product yield"

$$\frac{c_i(t)}{c_j(t)}$$
 which is defined as:

$$\frac{c_{i}(t)}{c_{j}(t)} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{i}(t) / \\ I_{mean,i} \\ I_{j}(t) / \\ I_{mean,j} \\ \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{i}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \\ c_{j}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \\ c_{j}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \end{pmatrix}$$
(4-4)

Where  $I_i(t)$  is the relative ion signal time profile of product *i* and  $c_i^{(t,t+\Delta t)}$  is the concentration of isomer *i* averaged over  $(t, t + \Delta t)$  time range which is calculated by comparing the photoionization spectra with the standard PIE.  $I_{mean,i}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}$  is the mean value of species *i* ion signal over  $(t, t + \Delta t)$  time range.

Based on the relative product yields profiles, the experimentally determined branching ratios at 450 and 500 K for Acetaldehyde, cyclic ether and 2,4-dimethyl-1-penten-3-one are

obtained relative to propene (Table 4-1). The branching ratio relative to other species can be calculated following the same approach.

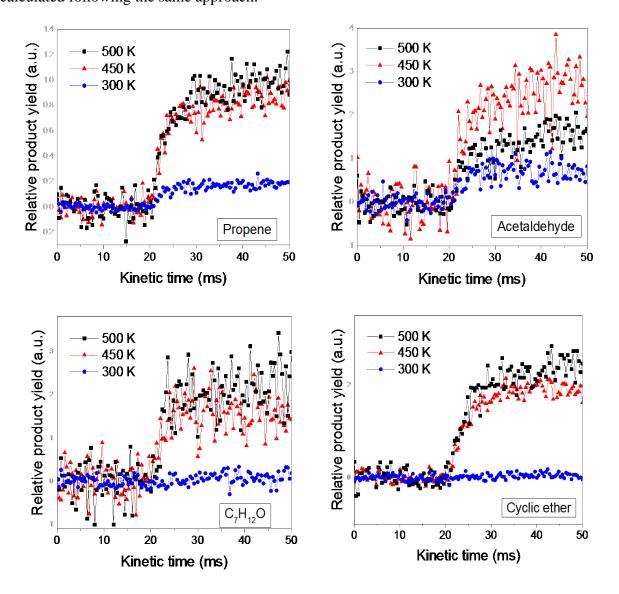


Figure 4-10- Time profiles of Propene, Acetaldehyde, C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O and cyclic ether at 300, 450 and 500 K up to 30 ms after laser photolysis

|               |                             | Branching ratio relative to Propene |       |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| m/z (formula) | Products                    | 450 K                               | 500 K |
| 42 (C3H6)     | Propene                     | 1                                   | 1     |
| 44 (C2H4O)    | Acetaldehyde                | 3                                   | 1.4   |
| 112 (C7H12O)  | 2,4-dimethyl-1-penten-3-one | 2.6                                 | 2.6   |
| 128 (C7H12O2) | Cyclic ether                | 2.1                                 | 2.5   |

Table 4-1- DIPK oxidation Major products branching ratio relative to propene at 450 and 500 K

#### 4.4 <u>Conclusions</u>

Products from low pressure OH-initiated oxidation of DIPK at 300, 450 and 500 K were identified using multiplexed synchrotron photoionization mass spectroscopy (MPIMS) and compared to the recently performed Cl-initiated oxidation experiments. In DIPK oxidation, the comparison of photoionization spectra of the major peaks with the standard PIE with the same mass to charge ratio identifies the major products which are found to be propene, acetaldehyde, acetone, Methyloxirane, cyclic ethers and 2,4-dimethyl-1-penten-3-one.

The major products time resolved spectra from DIPK oxidation have been compared at different temperatures. The time profiles of major products at different temperatures display the competition between the fuel radicals thermal decomposition pathway and the radicals reaction with O<sub>2</sub>. While propene is produced monotonically as temperature increases, acetaldehyde reaches a maximum at 450K and starts to decrease at 500 K.

The results from the OH-initiated oxidation of DIPK are consistent with Cl-initiated oxidation.

# CHAPTER 5: CI-INITIATED OXIDAITON OF MAJOR ALDEHYDES INTERMEDIATES FROM DIPK COMBUSTION

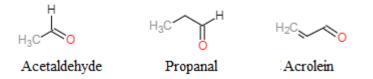
# 5.1 Introduction

Aldehydes are formed as a result of incomplete or partial combustion and are the major stable intermediate products in pyrolysis and oxidation of biofuel, which affect the reaction pathways and important combustion properties [81]. Aldehydes can be released to the atmosphere from gasoline and diesel engines, and also from biomass gasification or aerobic treatments [82]. Therefore, understanding of aldehydes combustion and pyrolysis behavior with chemical kinetics perspective is very important in order to predict pollutant release and be able to design environmentally friendly combustion systems [81, 83]. Studies of alcohols oxidation showed that aldehydes are the intermediates forming from radicals or molecular dehydrogenations [23, 84-86].

A comprehensive chemical kinetic reaction mechanism for the oxidation of aldehydes can help to understand and predict the emission from the combustion systems. At low temperature, the kinetics of reactions of OH radical with acetaldehyde and its alkyl is investigated [87],[88]. The high temperature measurements of the rate constants for some aldehydes with OH radical was studied using shock tube [89]. Along with the measurements, the reactions of  $C_1$ – $C_4$  aldehydes with NO<sub>2</sub> has been modeled theoretically using a direct dynamic approach [90].

In a recent study, a sub-mechanism for the high temperature kinetics of three aldehydes, (propanal,*n*-butanal and *n*-pentanal) pyrolysis and oxidation was developed and validated with the shock tube data [83]. However, a kinetic mechanism which can address the aldehydes kinetics at low temperature is not developed.

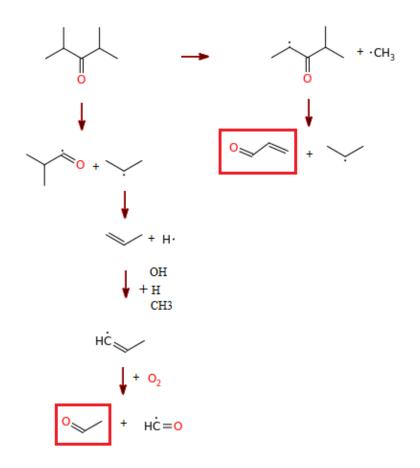
In this chapter, the Advanced Light Source methodology, explained in previous chapters, is used to identify the products and main oxidation pathways through the designed experiment of Cl-initiated oxidation of three important aldehyde: acetaldehyde (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O), propanal (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O) and acrolein (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O). The structures are shown in Scheme 5-1. As it was mentioned before, in OH-initiated experiment, the OH radicals are produced through H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> laser photolysis whereas in Cl-initiated experiment the Cl radicals are formed through the molecular chlorine, Cl<sub>2</sub>, laser photolysis.



Scheme 5-1- Aldehydes structures

Aldehydes are generated as intermediates in DIPK oxidation. The pathways of acetaldehyde and acrolein production are shown in Scheme 5-2. DIPK oxidation in Ar is simulated in CHEMKIN and the mole fraction of the generated aldehydes i.e. acetaldehyde, acrolein and formaldehyde are illustrated in Figure 5-1.

The goal of this chapter is to study the oxidation pathways of the aforementioned aldehydes as well as the corresponding primary products. This experimental study is important in the sense that acetaldehyde and propanal are the intermediates forming in DIPK oxidation which gives us deeper insight to DIPK kinetic reaction mechanism and the rates for those corresponding reactions. Furthermore, the aldehydes oxidation have been studied in two different temperature within 500-700 K which belongs to low-intermediate temperature region [63]. This temperature regime (T<800 K) is very important in the sense of fuel chemistry effects on autoignition behavior which shows that despite the high-temperature autoignition behavior is dominated by small molecule chemistry [91], the kinetic reaction mechanism of the fuel becomes more important at low temperature [62]. In this chapter, the combustion behavior have been investigated as the aldehyde's molecular weight increases from acetaldehyde to propanal ( $C_2$  to  $C_3$ ) and the effects of double bond is studied as in propanal to acrolein (See Scheme 5-1).



Scheme 5-2- Acetaldehyde and acrolein production pathway in DIPK oxidation

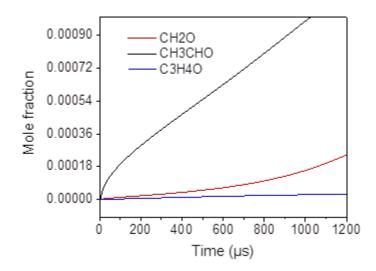


Figure 5-1- Aldehyde mole fraction in 2% DIPK oxidation in Ar in 1300 K and 0.9 atm

# 5.2 Experimental method

The reaction of photolytically generated Cl atoms with the aforementioned aldehydes is a convenient method to produce the different possible radicals through H atom abstraction reactions. The chemistry of these radicals' reactions in excess O<sub>2</sub> at low temperature (500-700 K) and low pressure (8 Torr) is studied using time and isomer resolved product detection from multiplexed photoionization mass spectroscopy (MPIMS). MPIMS experiments are performed using tunable vacuum-ultraviolet (VUV) radiation from Advanced Light Source (ALS) synchrotron at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. The experimental setup has been explained previously. The identification of the species and isomers is based on a comparison of PIE spectra of a given m/z with absolute photoionization cross sections [78].

#### 5.3 <u>Results and discussion</u>

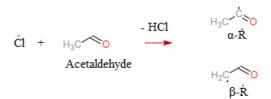
The low temperature oxidation of the aldehydes of our interest is initiated by hydrogen atom abstraction which results in the formation of the fuel radicals. The different radical isomers for each aldehyde are shown in Scheme 5-4, 5-8 and 5-12. Subsequently, the radicals react with O2 to form RO2. In low temperature, the chain terminating channel which produces HO2 is competing with the chain propagation channel generating OH radicals [92]. Therefore, the chemistry of RO2 radicals should be taken into account to address the autoignition behavior [93]. In the presence of excess O2 at low temperature, the radicals react with O2 but as the temperature goes up, the thermal unimolecular decomposition channel will be remarkably competes with O2 reaction [80].

# 5.3.1 Products and pathways in acetaldehyde low temperature Cl-initiated oxidation

The photon energy integrated difference mass spectra for Cl-initiated oxidation of acetaldehyde (550 and 700 K) is illustrated in Figure 5-2. The average pre-photolysis signal is subtracted, therefore the difference mass spectra shows the difference between the signal after and before laser fires. The peaks with positive intensity are associated with the products while the negative peaks (are cut to highlight the product formation) are associated with the removal channel of acetaldehyde. The photoionization spectra is obtained by integration over kinetic time of up to 45 ms (which is 25 ms after the laser photolysis). The main peaks are indicated by their m/z values above them.

The two most dominant peaks in the oxidation of acetaldehyde in 500 and 700 K are at m/z=30 and m/z=42 for which the photoionization spectra are matched to that of formaldehyde

(ionization energy: 10.88 eV) and ketene (IE: 9.61) respectively (see Figure 5-3). The ion signal peaks at m/z=47 and 60 are also remarkable.



Scheme 5-3- Acetaldehyde radicals

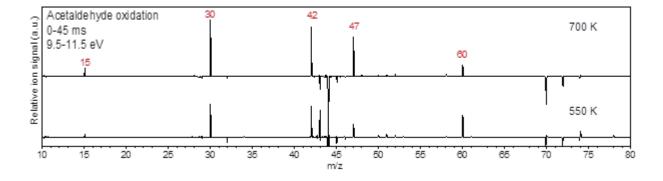


Figure 5-2- Integrated difference mass spectra for Cl-initiated oxidation of Acetaldehyde at 550 K and 700 K, obtained by integration over the photon energy 9.5-11.5 eV and the kinetic times until 25 ms after the laser photolysis

The signal for m/z=42 in the mass spectra is found to be ketene which is produced either through radicals thermal decomposition (Scheme 5-5) or the channel of  $R+O_2 \rightarrow RO_2$  (Scheme 5-6Scheme 5-7). The strong signal for m/z=42 demonstrates that the HO<sub>2</sub> elimination from the peroxy radicals is also a major channel in low temperature oxidation of acetaldehyde similar to the alkanes [63]. The reaction pathway in Scheme 5-6 explains the formation of ketene.  $\beta$ -R reaction with excess O<sub>2</sub> forms  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> peroxy radical followed by isomerization to alkoxy-QOOH species which subsequently undergoes  $\beta$ -C--O bond fission to form ketene and HO<sub>2</sub> radical. Ketene also is formed through  $\alpha$ -R (CH<sub>3</sub>CO) forming  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> peroxy radical with the corresponding alkoxy-QOOH isomer which decomposes to ketene and HO<sub>2</sub> radical (see Scheme 5-7).

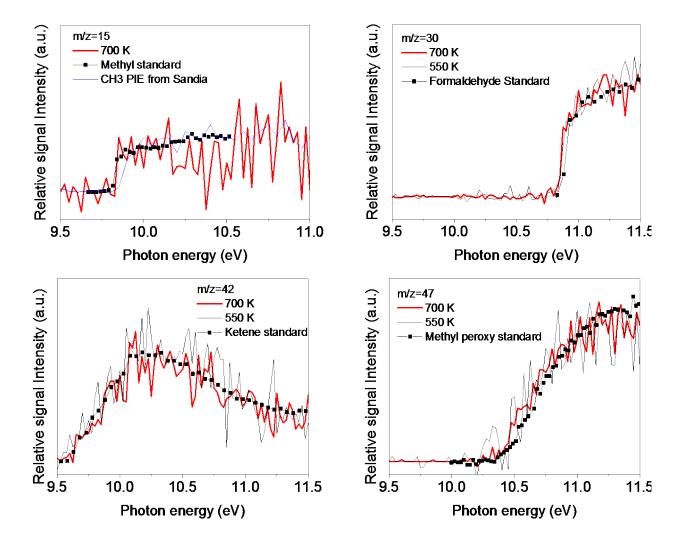


Figure 5-3- Primary products photoionization spectra of Acetaldehyde Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 and 700 K obtained by integration over kinetic time 25 ms after laser photolysis, compared to the corresponding standard photoionization cross section

Along with the reactions of CH<sub>3</sub>CO radical with O<sub>2</sub>, the radical decomposition reactions should be taken into account which results in formation of methyl (CH<sub>3</sub>) radical. The signal at m/z=15 which is matched with methyl photoionization spectra (Figure 5-3) verifies this assignment. For all the products, the photoionization cross sections are taken from Sandia National Lab photoionization

database. Those species for which there is no measured PIE available in Sandia's database [94], the calculated values or measured ionization energy from NIST webbook [95] are used.

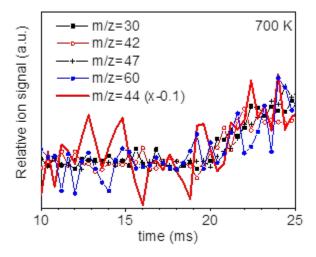


Figure 5-4- The scaled time profiles of m/z=30 (formaldehyde), 42 (ketene), 47 (methyl peroxy) and 60 compared to the inverted depletion rate of parent fuel, m/z=44 (acetaldehyde) in Cl-initiated oxidation of acetaldehyde at 700 K

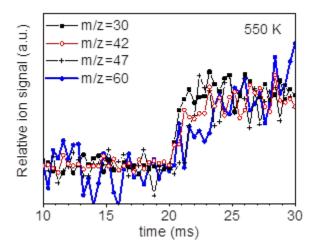
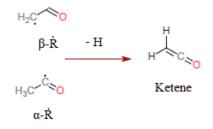
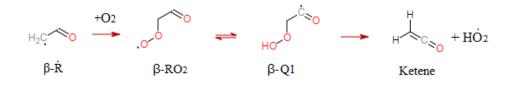


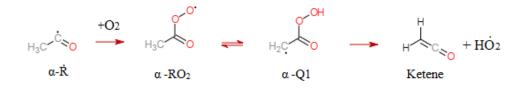
Figure 5-5- The scaled time profiles of m/z=30 (formaldehyde), 42 (ketene), 47 (methyl peroxy) and 60 in Cl-initiated oxidation of acetaldehyde at 550 K



Scheme 5-4- Ketene formation from radical thermal decomposition



Scheme 5-5- Ketene formation from  $\beta$ -R radical of acetaldehyde



Scheme 5-6- Ketene formation from α-R radical of acetaldehyde

In the low temperature region and in the presence of additional O<sub>2</sub>, the addition of molecular O<sub>2</sub> to methyl radicals generates methyl peroxy,  $CH_3O_2$  (m/z=47). The competition between this reaction and radical decomposition reaction is found to be very important to obtain the overall rate and the properties of NTC region [96]. As the temperature goes up, the more methyl radical is expected to form and therefore the signal at m/z=47 associated with  $CH_3O_2$  increases. The photoionization efficiency of m/z=47 is compared to photoionization cross section of  $CH_3O_2$  obtained from a study on alkylperoxy radicals photoionization by Sandia National Lab [71].

A comparison of the time profiles for m/z=30, 42, 47, and 60 with the inverted and scaled time profile of the parent fuel (m/z=44) shows that the depletion of the ion signal of the

acetaldehyde is correlated with the generation of the products of m/z=30, 42, 47, and 60 supporting that these masses are the primary products. Figure 5-4 shows the scaled time profiles of m/z=30 (formaldehyde), 42 (ketene), 47 (methyl peroxy) and 60 in Cl-initiated oxidation of acetaldehyde at 700 K. The shapes of the time profiles are very similar to each other. Still it can be observed that m/z=60 is formed slightly delayed compared to the other masses. This delayed formation can be seen more noticeably in the time profiles comparison at 550 K which is illustrated in Figure 5-5. The signal associated with the depletion of acetaldehyde is hidden for better visibility.

Since the photoionization profiles of the primary products represent the averaged values of the signal over a specified range of time, comparing the contribution of two products of *i* and *j* with different m/z reflects the averaged values of branching ratios  $(c_i^{(t,t+\Delta t)}/c_j^{(t,t+\Delta t)})$ . The averaged values of branching ratio can be used instead of the one at each kinetic time provided that the shapes of the time profiles for the products of our interest are identical (which is the case for this study):

$$\frac{c_i^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{c_i^{(t,t+\Delta t)}} = \frac{c_i(t)}{c_i(t)}$$
(5-1)

The quantification of the products yields is performed relative to formaldehyde as the major product. Ketene yield relative to formaldehyde is found to be 0.12 at 700K and 550K. Methyl peroxy yield relative to formaldehyde is found to be 0.02 (700 K) and 0.01 (550 K). The temperature dependent product yield at specific m/z is calculated by the following equation:

$$\frac{c_{700K}(t)}{c_{550K}(t)} = \frac{I_{700K}(t)}{I_{550K}(t)} \times \frac{I_{mean,550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{I_{mean,700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}} \times \frac{c_{700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{c_{550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}$$
(5-2)

Where the temperature dependent averaged concentration ratio,  $\frac{c_{700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{c_{550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}$  is found from the

comparison of photoionization spectrum for the mass of our interest with the corresponding standard PIE according to the equation:

$$S_{m/z}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}(E) = \varphi \alpha_{m/z} \sum_{i} c_{i}^{(t,t+\Delta t)} \sigma_{i}(E)$$
(5-3)

The mass discrimination factor  $\alpha$  is cancelled out as the calculation is at a specific m/z. Also the standard photoionization cross section  $\sigma(E)$  is cancelled out and therefore we will use the following expression:

$$\frac{c_{700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{c_{550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}} = \frac{S_{700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{S_{550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}$$
(5-4)

Thus the temperature dependent product yield is rewritten as:

$$\frac{c_{700K}(t)}{c_{550K}(t)} = \frac{I_{700K}(t)}{I_{550K}(t)} \times \frac{I_{mean,550K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{I_{mean,700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}} \times \frac{S_{700K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}{S_{50K}^{(t,t+\Delta t)}}$$
(5-5)

The temperature dependent time profiles of each product is shown in Figure 5-6. Formaldehyde (m/z=30), ketene (m/z=42) and methyl peroxy (m/z=47) are the products which increase monotonically with temperature while m/z=60 reaches to maximum at lower temperature (550 K).

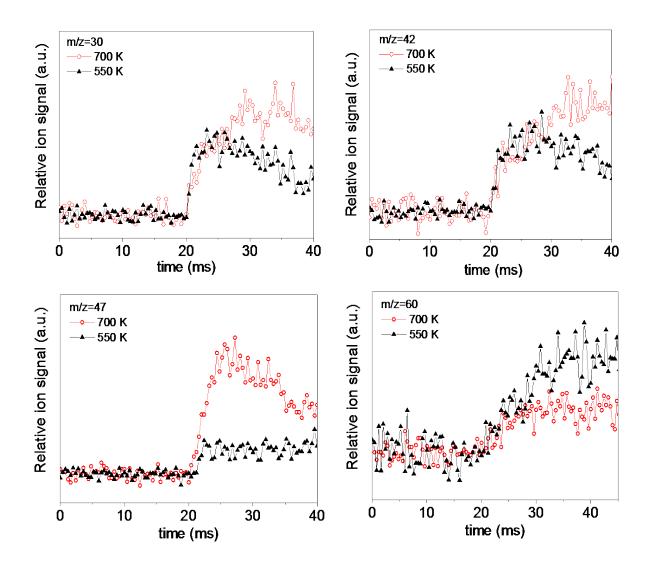


Figure 5-6- Temperature dependent time profiles of the products in Cl-initiated oxidation of acetaldehyde

5.3.2 Products and pathways in propanal low temperature Cl-initiated oxidation

The reaction of Cl atoms with propanal can result in formation of three different radicals ( $\alpha$ -R,  $\alpha$ '-R and  $\beta$ -R seen in Scheme 5-8) and therefore lead to a more complicated oxidation chemistry in comparison to acetaldehyde. As mentioned earlier, each of the radicals can either decompose or react with O2 which is the typical pathways in low temperature oxidation. The formation of  $\alpha$ '-R

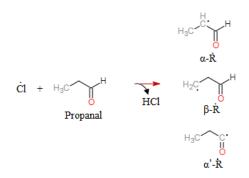
is the most possible as the reactivity of the carbonyl side of the molecule is higher than the other possible sites for H atom abstraction. The difference mass spectra for Cl-initiated oxidation of propanal is obtained by integration for a time period up to 45 ms, shown in Figure 5-7 for 550 and 700K. The negative signal (cut short) at m/z=58 is associated with propanal removal. The major ion signals are observed at m/z=28, 30, 44 and 74 as well as smaller signals at m/z=42 and 56.

The most intense peak is at m/z=44 which corresponds to acetaldehyde due to the matched photoionization spectra with acetaldehyde standard PIE shown in Figure 5-8. α'-R can either goes through decomposition and form ethyl radical (C2H5) and CO or it can react with O2 and form a'-RO<sub>2</sub>. The ethyl radical from  $\alpha$ '-R can also participate in reaction with O<sub>2</sub> and form acetaldehyde. The pathway of formation of acetaldehyde is shown in Scheme 5-9. The intermediate C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is also generated from the reaction of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> with O<sub>2</sub>. A very small portion of that may decompose to acetaldehyde and OH radical. Through HO<sub>2</sub> elimination, the major portion of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> generates substantial amount of ethylene (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) which is assigned to the major signal at m/z=28 according to its perfectly matched PIE with the standard photoionization spectrum (Figure 5-8). Alternatively, ethylene is formed as a result of thermal decomposition of  $\beta$ -R to formyl radical and ethylene. Along with CO<sub>2</sub> and OH radical, ethylene is also the co-product of decomposition of QOOH which is isomerized to  $\alpha'$ -RO<sub>2</sub>. The formation of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> from propanal oxidation is shown in Scheme 5-11. According to the scheme, ethylene is generated through the competition between the two propanal radicals; namely β-R thermal decomposition channel as well as C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> reaction with O<sub>2</sub> from  $\alpha$ '-R decomposition reactions along with minor contribution of  $\alpha$ '-RO<sub>2</sub>+O<sub>2</sub> channel. The time-resolved profiles of the products will give an insight on which channel is more dominant.

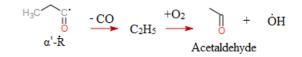
Furthermore,  $\beta$ -scission of  $\alpha$ '-R results in the formation of methyl radical and ketene. This pathway has minor contribution comparing to the aforementioned pathways for  $\alpha$ '-R, but still can be verified by the weak signal at m/z=42. Alternatively, ketene is formed along with formaldehyde and OH radical via  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> channel. Formaldehyde ion signal appears at m/z=30. The corresponding pathway is illustrated in Scheme 5-10.

Due to their kinetic, aldehydes provide source of alkyl radicals which hence react with  $O_2$ in low temperature region and form the primary products and intermediates [96]. The ion signal at m/z=74 appears in the mass spectra is assigned to a data fit from ethyl formate and methyl acetate (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>). However, another possible product is propanoic acid (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) which has ionization energy of 10.44 eV (the same as the PIE for m/z=74 in Figure 5-8). The fuel radical  $\alpha$ '-R reaction with OH radical forms propanoic acid. Considering ethyl formate and methyl acetate as the only two contributions for m/z=74, the ratio of ethyl formate : methyl acetate is obtained to be 3.2:1.

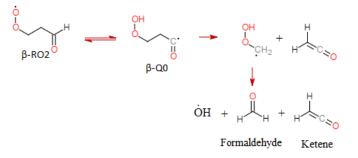
By looking at the latest kinetic mechanism for propanal, allylhydroperoxide (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OOH) is one of the considered species which is generated through the reaction of n-propyl radical (n-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>) with O<sub>2</sub> [83]. The produced n-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub> isomerizes with C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>OOH and reacts with O<sub>2</sub> again. HO<sub>2</sub> elimination from resulting species forms allylhydroperoxide, a-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OOH (m/z=74), which decomposes to C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O and OH radical accordingly. The ionization energy for allylhydroperoxide is calculated to be 9.52 eV [97] which is different from the onset of the m/z=74 signal (~10.45 eV).



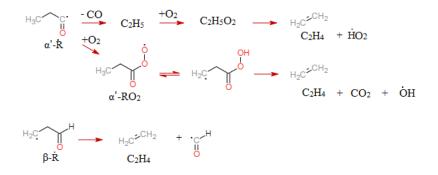
Scheme 5-7- Propanal radicals



Scheme 5-8- Acetaldehyde formation pathway from propanal oxidation



Scheme 5-9- Formaldehyde and ketene formation pathway from propanal oxidation



Scheme 5-10- Formation of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> from propanal oxidation

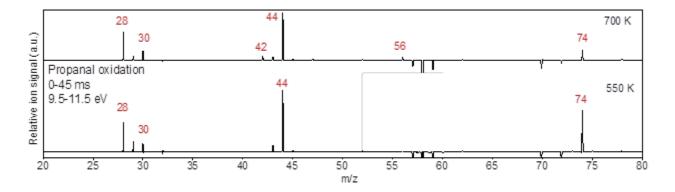


Figure 5-7- Cl-initiated oxidation of Propanal mass spectra at 550 K and 700 K, obtained by integration over the photon energy 9.5-11.5 eV and the kinetic times until 25 ms after the laser photolysis

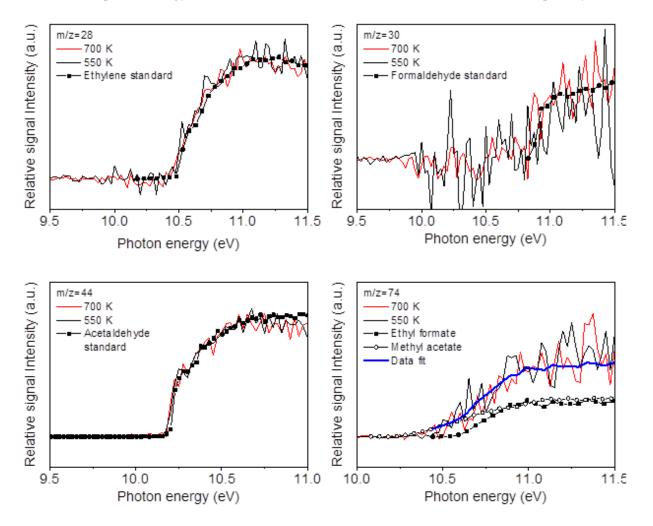


Figure 5-8- Primary products photoionization spectra of propanal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 and 700 K compared to the corresponding standard PIE

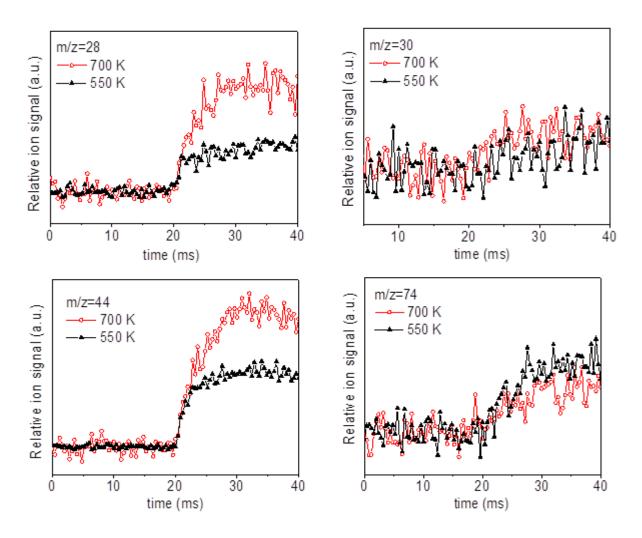


Figure 5-9- Temperature dependent time profiles of the products in Cl-initiated oxidation of propanal Figure 5-9 shows the temperature dependent time profiles of the products from propanal Cl-initiated oxidation. The temperature dependent product yield is calculated for each temperature at the m/z of our interest based on the discussion in the previous section.

As the temperature goes up, ethylene is expected to form more from the thermal decomposition which can be observed in Figure 5-9. The ion signal intensity of ethylene, acetaldehyde and formaldehyde increase monotonically with temperature, whereas the intensity in time-resolved profile of m/z=74 decreases as the temperature increases from 550 K to 700 K.

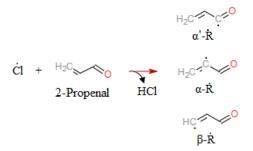
| m/z | Chemical Formula    | Product                          | Product yield | Product yield relative to acetaldehyde |  |  |
|-----|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
|     |                     |                                  | 550 K         | 700 K                                  |  |  |
| 28  | $C_2H_4$            | Ethylene                         | 0.68          | 0.92                                   |  |  |
| 30  | CH <sub>2</sub> O   | Formaldehyde                     | 0.29          | 0.35                                   |  |  |
| 44  | CH <sub>3</sub> CHO | Acetaldehyde<br>Ethyl formate    | 1.0           | 1.0                                    |  |  |
| 74  | C3H6O2              | Methyl acetate<br>Propanoic acid | N/A           | N/A                                    |  |  |

Table 5-1- The product yield relative to acetaldehyde as the major product in propanal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 and 700 K

The product yield for the Ethylene and formaldehyde are calculated relative to acetaldehyde as the major product in propanal Cl-initiated oxidation. The calculations are based on the discussion in the previous section and the products yields are given at 550 and 700 K in Table 5-1.

# 5.3.3 Products and pathways in 2-propenal low temperature Cl-initiated oxidation

Acrolein or 2-propenal reaction with Cl results in formation of three different radicals based on the abstracted H atom site, shown in Scheme 5-12. The difference mass spectra as illustrated in Figure 5-10 shows the products ion signal peaks at m/z=30, 42, 44 and 78 with negative intensity signals at m/z=56 (2-propenal, the parent fuel) and 28 (a dissociative fraction of the parent fuel).



Scheme 5-11- Acrolein (2-propenal) radicals

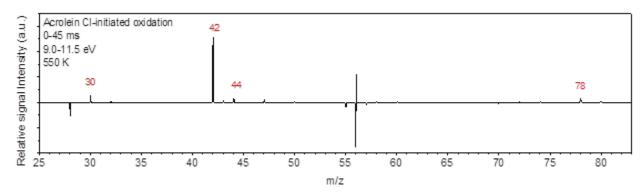


Figure 5-10- Cl-initiated oxidation mass spectra of 2-propenal at 550 K obtained by integration over the photon energy 9.5-11.5 eV and the kinetic times until 25 ms after the laser photolysis

The most intense signal is at m/z=42 which is found to be ketene according to the comparison to the corresponding standard photoionization spectrum. The H abstraction reaction from 2-propenal by H, OH, O, CH<sub>3</sub> and HO<sub>2</sub> generates  $\alpha$ '-R (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO). The C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO radical decomposition leads to formation of CO and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>. The latter is the source of ketene and formaldehyde formation in 2-propenal oxidation. The reaction of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> with O<sub>2</sub> generates formaldehyde with HCO. In another channel for this reaction, CH<sub>2</sub>CHO is formed with atomic oxygen. CH<sub>2</sub>CHO generates ketene (CH<sub>2</sub>CO) through decomposition. The photoionization spectra of m/z=42 and 30 for 2-propenal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 K are compared to the photoionization cross section of ketene and formaldehyde respectively and illustrated in Figure 5-11. The product yield for formaldehyde relative to ketene is calculated to be 0.82 at 550 K.

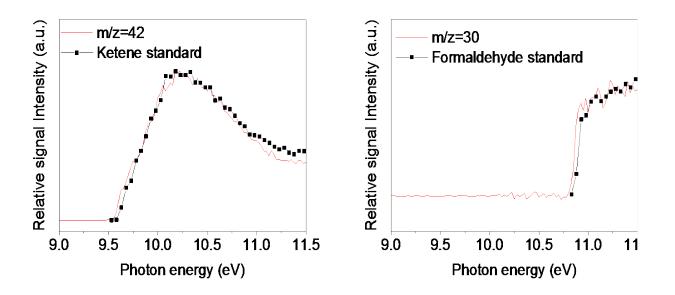


Figure 5-11- Primary products photoionization spectra of 2-propenal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 compared to the corresponding standard PIE

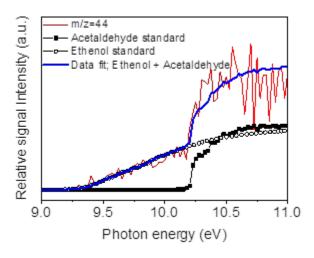


Figure 5-12- Comparison of the photoionization spectra of the peak at m/z=44 with the corresponding standard PIE of ethenol and acetaldehyde, along with the data fit, in 2-propenal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550

The signal peak at m/z=44 is assigned to ethenol (IE=9.3 eV) and acetaldehyde (IE=10.22 eV). As it can be seen in Figure 5-12, the photoionization spectra which has an onset at ~9.3 eV is matched to the photoionization cross sections of ethenol following by another rise at ~10.2 eV

which is due to the acetaldehyde contribution. A data fit to the trend based on both contributions returns the ratio of acetaldehyde to ethenol of 1.2:1.

The signal peak at m/z=78 is a chlorinated species which has a corresponding isotope peak at m/z=80 which has the isotope ratio of 3.12 in agreement with  ${}^{35}$ Cl/ ${}^{37}$ Cl [98]. According to the ionization energy of ~10.5 eV, the likely species are acetyl chloride (IE=10.82 eV) or chloro-acetaldehyde (IE=10.61 eV).

# 5.4 <u>Conclusion</u>

Products from the Cl-initiated oxidation of three aldehydes namely acetaldehyde, propanal and 2-propenal at low temperature (550-700 K) at low pressure (~8 Torr) were identified and computed using multiplexed synchrotron photoionization mass spectroscopy and the dominant pathways were detected.

In acetaldehyde Cl-initiated oxidation, the primary products are found to be formaldehyde (m/z=30), ketene (m/z=42) and methyl peroxy (m/z=47). The products are identified by comparison between their photoionization spectra with the standard photoionization cross sections. Ketene is generated within both  $\alpha$ -R and  $\beta$ -R decomposition channels. Also it is formed through  $\alpha$ -R+O<sub>2</sub> and  $\beta$ -R+O<sub>2</sub> via HO<sub>2</sub> elimination from the peroxy radicals. The temperature dependent time resolved profiles for the primary products have been presented at 550 and 700 K.

In propanal Cl-initiated oxidation, ethylene (m/z=28), formaldehyde (m/z=30) and acetaldehyde (m/z=44) are the primary products.  $\alpha$ '-R is the radical which is most possible to form due to the higher reactivity of the carbonyl side of the molecule. The decomposition of  $\alpha$ '-R to ethyl radical followed by the reaction with O<sub>2</sub> produces acetaldehyde.  $\alpha$ '-R is also involved in the

formation of ethylene through decomposition as well as its reaction with  $O_2$ . Ketene is formed along with formaldehyde and OH radical via  $\beta$ -RO<sub>2</sub> channel isomerized to QOOH. The product yields relative to acetaldehyde as the major product in propanal Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 and 700 K are calculated.

Acrolein (2-propenal) Cl-initiated oxidation at 550 K reveals the primary products as formaldehyde (m/z=30), ketene (m/z=42) and acetaldehyde and ethenol (m/z=44).  $\alpha$ '-R decomposition leads to formation of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> which is the source of ketene and formaldehyde formation via its reaction with O<sub>2</sub>.

The first step for developing a comprehensive low temperature submechanism for aldehydes oxidation is detection and quantification of the primary products which has been performed in this study. The detailed analysis of the experimental data can be verified by the quantum chemical calculations at high level of theory to find out the potential energy surfaces for the important reactions.

# **CHAPTER 6: SHOCK TUBE IGNITION AND PYROLYSIS OF DIPK**

# 6.1 Introduction

A shock tube is an ideal tool to study a test gas of known initial temperature and pressure which has a chemical process specifically at high temperatures. A typical shock tube setup consists of driver and driven sections which are referring to high and low pressure sides, respectively. These two regions are separated by a diaphragm which creates a shock wave as a result of its rupture. For a shock tube experiment, helium, hydrogen and generally low density gases are used for the driver side. The gas mixture of interest is in driven side. A shock wave is produced by increasing the pressure in the driver section until the diaphragm bursts. As the diaphragm ruptures, a normal shock wave moves through the driven side such that the gas temperature and pressure increase. At the same time an expansion wave moves toward the driver section. For more details refer to [99].

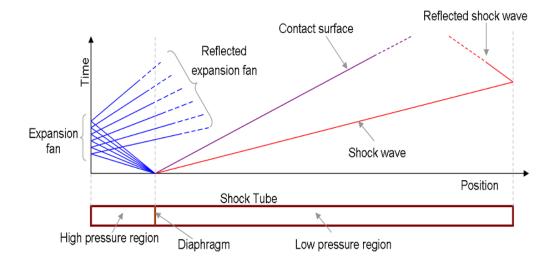


Figure 6-1- An ideal shock tube with different waves formed after diaphragm ruptures [100]

The autoignition characteristics of the mixture of fuel and oxidizer are determined by ignition delay time. It provides the understanding of the ignition mechanism, the chemical reaction pathway analysis, and verifying the kinetic models [101]. One important application of shock tube is the ignition delay time measurement for a mixture of interest. The ignition delay time is described as the interval between the arrival of the reflected shock wave and the initiation of the ignition which is determined either from the pressure trace or from the time history of an intermediate combustion species such as CH or OH [102-104].

The equation of radiative heat transfer across a slab of gas of width L is given by the Beer-Lambert law:

$$\alpha_i(\lambda, T, P) = -\ln(\frac{I}{I_o})_{\lambda} = \beta_{\lambda} P L = \sigma_i(\lambda, T, P) n_i L$$
(6-1)

Where Io and I are the intensities of the incident and transmitted radiant energy respectively.  $\alpha_i$  is absorbance of gas species *i*;  $\sigma_i$  is the absorption cross section;  $n_i$  is the number density of the absorbing species *i*, *L* is the path length and  $\beta_{\lambda}$  is the absorption coefficient. The The number density of the species can be related to the pressure and temperature through the ideal gas law as follows:

$$\alpha_i(\lambda, T, P) = \sigma_i(\lambda, T, P) \frac{P_{tot}}{RT} \chi_i L$$
(6-2)

where  $X_i$  is the mole fraction [99].

The Beer-Lambert law can be directly used for measurements of a single species, but there is often interference in the form of absorption from other species which is described as follows:

$$-\ln(\frac{I}{I_o})_{\lambda} = \alpha_{\rm i} + \alpha_{\rm interference}$$
(6-3)

In order to eliminate the interference, a peak-valley wavelength absorption scheme is used which refers to subtraction of the two transmission measurements obtained at two different wavelengths.

$$\left[-\ln\left(\frac{I}{I_o}\right)_{\lambda}\right]_{peak} - \left[-\ln\left(\frac{I}{I_o}\right)_{\lambda}\right]_{valley} = \left(\alpha_{i} + \alpha_{interference}\right)_{peak} - \left(\alpha_{i} + \alpha_{interference}\right)_{valley}$$
(6-4)

Therefore, the effects of the interfering species are canceled out and only the absorbing species remains:

$$\left[-\ln\left(\frac{I}{I_o}\right)_{\lambda}\right]_{peak} - \left[-\ln\left(\frac{I}{I_o}\right)_{\lambda}\right]_{valley} \approx \alpha_{i, peak} - \alpha_{i, valley}$$
(6-5)

Substituting for  $\alpha_i$  and solving for  $X_i$ , the mole fraction of the absorbing species will be related to the measured differential absorbance:

$$\chi_{i} = \frac{\alpha_{i,\text{peak}} - \alpha_{i,\text{valley}}}{\frac{(\sigma_{i,\text{peak}} - \sigma_{i,\text{valley}})P_{tot}L}{RT}}$$
(6-6)

The cross section  $\sigma(\lambda,T,P)$  can be typically obtained from databases (HITRAN [105], PNNL [99], NIST [95], etc.)

In the detailed kinetic mechanism study of DIPK developed by Allen et. al [6], the combustion of DIPK was investigated in a rapid compression machine. The observed experimental data showed a discrepancy comparing to the model. The model tends to predict shorter ignition delay time with the NTC region shifted about 80 K. The ignition delay times at higher temperatures were determined using a shock tube at Aachen's facilities for stoichiometric DIPK-air mixtures. However, due to the limited operation time of 1-5 ms, only two experimental data points are

measured within the measurable residence times. The shock tube and RCM experimental data are compared to the simulation in Figure 6-2.

In this chapter, the experimental results from a series of shock tube experiments on DIPK pyrolysis and oxidation are described, including ignition delay times and species concentration time histories. The kinetic model of DIPK reactions is compared to the experimental data.

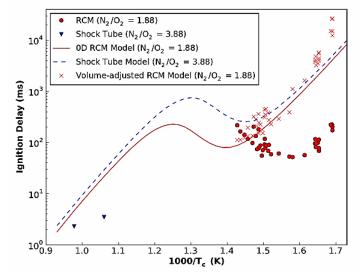


Figure 6-2- Rapid compression machine and shock tube experimental and modeled ignition delays (Allen et. al [6])

# 6.2 Experimental setup

### 6.2.1 UCF shock tube facility

The experiments were carried out in UCF shock tube facility including driver and driven section, tee section and test section. The shock tube cross section inside and outside diameter are 14cm and 16.8 cm, respectively. The driver (4.88 m long) and driven (8.54 m long) sections are separated by a diaphragm by a proper thickness which determines the driver and driven sections

pressure ratios  $[P_4 / P_1]$ . As a result, shock waves at different Mach numbers can be obtained. For this work, polycarbonate diaphragms of 0.001 and 0.003 inch are used. The tee section of the shock tube is used for vacuuming the driven section [99].

The test section of the shock tube is located at the end wall of the driven section of the shock tube providing 8 ports for optical access or for other sensors such as the pressure transducers. A piezoelectric pressure transducer (Kisler 603B1) located at 2cm from the end section of the shock tube is used to obtain the pressure trace during the experiment. The ignition delay time is determined by the pressure profile. It is also important to consider sufficient amount of test time to determine the ignition delay time. The shock tube simulation program KASIMIR [106, 107] is used to estimate the test time based on the initial conditions and the gas composition in the driver and driven sections. The temperature and pressure behind the reflected shock wave were calculated based on the derivation in [108]. The shock tube was evacuated to a pressure of  $<2\times10^{-5}$  Torr before each experiment. Gas mixtures were prepared in a mixing tank, a stainless steel storage cylinder, resting over 12 hours prior to the shock test [99].

### 6.3 <u>Results and discussion</u>

### 6.3.1 Shock tube experiments

Experiments were performed to measure the methane time history during the pyrolysis of DIPK. One of the main issues was that DIPK is in a liquid state at STP (standard temperature and pressure) and has a low vapor pressure. In order to perform experiments in the UCF shocktube, the partial pressure of the liquid fuel must never be greater than the vapor pressure as this ensures homogeneity of the mixture and prevents any condensation on the walls. A quick experiment was

performed with DIPK to determine the vapor pressure by measuring the pressure of a system containing DIPK while vacuuming. As a result it was determined that the vapor pressure for DIPK was 26 torr, a sufficiently high pressure for the shock tube but not the mixing tank. As a result, the mixing tank was heated to 150 °C using a custom built heating jacket (more details in the papers) to prevent condensation.

Before doing the experiments, simulations were performed in the shock tube simulation program KASIMIR3 [109]. This program uses custom gas files and the ideal shock relations to simulate a shock tube without any non-idealities. This can be used to determine the theoretical temperature and guide the experiments.

Both sections of the shock tube are evacuated before the experiments are performed. The driver side is evacuated with a mechanical pump to as low as possible. The driven side was evacuated using a combination of a mechanical pump with a turbo-molecular vacuum pump. The pressure inside the driven side must reach at least 50 µtorr before any experiment can begin (can be as low as 7 µtorr overnight). The mixture is added using a manifold that connects the mixing tank and shock tube. The manifold is connected to two baratrons (100 torr and 1000 torr ranges) to measure the internal pressure while filling. Typical filling pressures are between 5 and 40 torr. After the mixture has been added to the desired pressure based on KASIMIR and previous experiments, the driver side is slowly filled until the diaphragm ruptures. This causes a shockwave to form from the pressure discontinuity and propels down the shock tube.

The speed of the shockwave is measured using 5 PCB pressure transducers spaced along the end section. The time between pressure peaks is recorded using 4 timer-counters. These times are then inputted into the FROSH computer code. FROSH (chemically frozen shock code) determines the end wall conditions based on the gases, end wall velocity, and initial pressure. The end wall velocity is measured from the timer-counters to determine the attenuation of the shockwave. An uncertainty analysis has been performed starting from the measured times. Using a linear-regression analysis (Bevington and Robinson) described in Herbon's dissertation from Stanford, the average uncertainty for the temperature and pressure are 2.5% and 1.5%, respectively.

The raw data (kistler voltage, CH\* emission, and laser intensity) was taken the pressure and absorption from the raw data and the FROSH results were calculated. The CH\* emissions are normalized based on the peak value from the run. For the absorption value, it is then combined with its counterpart in the peak-valley pair and the methane concentration in ppm is determined.

### 6.3.2 Laser-absorption measurement

A continuous wave distributed feedback inter-band cascade laser (Nanoplus DFB ICL) was set up and used for measuring methane (CH4) concentration time-histories. The wavelength was chosen as 3403.4 nm and the peak-minus-valley absorption scheme is used to obtain the time history of methane. Pyun et al. [12, 110, 111] showed that many hydrocarbons have constant absorption cross section in the close vicinity of 3403.4 nm [99].

In order to obtain the concentration time-histories of Methane absorption cross section is required for obtaining the concentration time-histories. Figure 6-3 shows the CH4 absorption cross section values measured for the temperature range of 1200-2000 K at three different wavelengths.

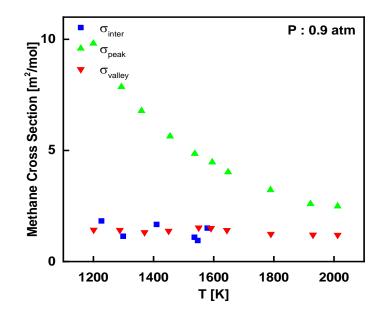


Figure 6-3- Methane Absorption Cross-section at each wavelength [99]

# 6.3.3 DIPK pyrolysis

The mixture for pyrolysis was prepared with 2% DIPK in argon in the temperature range of 1000-1500 K and atmospheric pressure. Methane concentration time histories for 2% DIPK pyrolysis in Argon at 1300 K and 1400 K are illustrated in and respectively. The results are compared to the simulation using the original DIPK reaction mechanism by Allen et al. The discrepancy between the model and experiment is more significant at 1300 K.

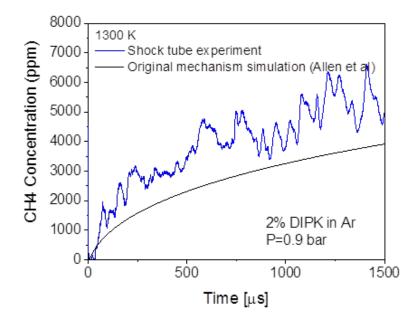


Figure 6-4- Methane Time history for 2% DIPK pyrolysis in Ar at 1300 K

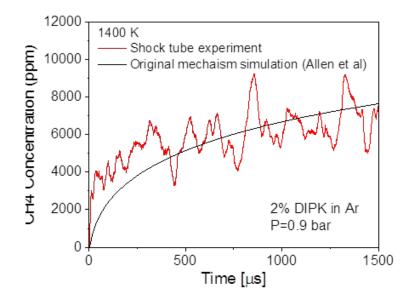


Figure 6-5- Methane Time history for 2% DIPK pyrolysis in Ar at 1400 K

#### 6.3.4 DIPK oxidation

The stoichiometric mixture for DIPK oxidation was prepared with 2% DIPK in Oxygen and Argon. The temperature range is considered to be 1000-1500 K with the atmospheric pressure. There are several methods to measure the ignition delay time. One method is to determine the location of the peak and use that value. Another way is to use the halfway point to the peak. The best method (although it has its disadvantages) is to determine the tangent line at the 50% mark and to determine when the tangent line crosses the baseline. This method produces the smallest ignition delay time but also the hardest to measure the uncertainty. The zero time value is determined by determining the midpoint in the pressure trace for the reflected shockwave. The ignition delay time is the difference between the two values. DIPK experimental ignition delay time data for stoichiometric mixture of 2% DIPK in 20% O2 and 78% Ar at 0.9 bar is shown in Figure 6-6.

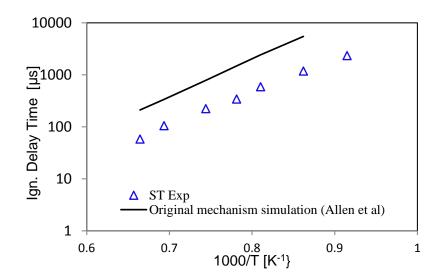


Figure 6-6- DIPK experimental ignition delay time data for stoichiometric mixture of 2% DIPK in 20% O2 and 78% Ar at 0.9 bar compared to the original model for DIPK (Allen et al)

| Table 6-1- DIPK i | ignition | delay | time |
|-------------------|----------|-------|------|
|-------------------|----------|-------|------|

| Temperature | 1000/T  | Ign. Delay Time (100%) μs | Ign. Delay Time (50%) µs |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1093        | 0.91491 | 2340                      | 2330                     |
| 1160        | 0.86207 | 1179                      | 1170                     |
| 1234        | 0.81037 | 588                       | 581                      |
| 1280        | 0.78125 | 341                       | 333                      |
| 1344        | 0.74405 | 223                       | 216                      |
| 1442        | 0.69348 | 105                       | 92                       |
| 1505        | 0.66445 | 58                        | 48                       |

# 6.4 <u>Conclusion</u>

DIPK pyrolysis and ignition delay time measurements experiments were performed using UCF shock tube facilities. The ignition delay times were measured for the first time for 1000-1500 K temperature range. Methane concentration time histories were also measured during DIPK pyrolysis in Ar. The experimental results were compared to the original kinetic mechanism of DIPK developed by Allen et. al which shows some discrepancy, particularly at 1300 K.

In the next chapter, we will present a new kinetic mechanism for DIPK based on the calculations and modifications performed in this dissertation. The results are validated using the experimental data from shock tube.

# CHAPTER 7: NEW DIPK REACTION KINETICS MECHANISM DEVELOPMENT USING THE REACTION CLASS APPROACH

# 7.1 <u>Introduction</u>

Use of biofuels, especially in automotive applications, is a growing trend due to their potential to reduce the greenhouse gas concentrations in atmosphere. Researchers have been exploring various methods - including endophytic fungal conversion of cellulose - to efficiently produce biofuels in order to decrease our dependence on fossil fuels. Di-isopropyl ketone (DIPK), 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentanone (C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O), is a prototype for biofuels produced by endophytic fungi. DIPK is a branched ketone and is a promising candidate as a biofuel to be used in new generation of combustion engine.

The sequence of steps that take place as reactant molecules are converted into products is called reaction mechanism. A reaction mechanism consists of multiple elementary processes with the species of known structure. As the experimental approach to study the kinetics of biofuels are costly and limited, developing a comprehensive reaction mechanism can help to investigate the different combustion behavior and find out how a reaction proceeds. A mechanism must display the order of bonds formation or dissociation and the rate of each elementary step [112].

The modeling of combustion phenomena is based on a comprehensive mechanism which includes details of the chemistry. In this regard, the smaller ketones such as acetone and 2-butanone have been investigated theoretically and experimentally in terms of pyrolysis, reaction rates and ignition delay time at different ranges of temperature [8, 12, 13, 113]. For the larger straight-chained and branched ketones, there are some measurements at combustion temperatures for ketone +OH reactions by Badra et al [114] using shock tube.

In order to study DIPK kinetics, the reaction class approach has been used. A detailed high temperature reaction pathway is created and reactions are classified into the important reaction classes for which the rate constants are assigned based on analogy to the similar reactions or literature recommendations. This procedure has been successfully applied in the case of butanol combustion mechanism by Sarathy et al.[22, 23]. The DIPK submechanism is then integrated into a recently published C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> mechanism from the Galway group [24]. The corresponding thermodynamic properties for the fuel and primary fuel radical species were calculated using the THERM [20] program and rates were either estimated in comparison with similar molecules or calculated using a rate estimation software such as RMG [21].

# 7.2 <u>High temperature DIPK kinetic model development using reaction class approach</u>

The kinetic model developed and discussed here is DIPK submechanism which is to be integrated to the C<sub>4</sub> mechanism established by NUI Galway combustion center [24]. The proposed detailed chemical kinetic submechanism includes the high temperature kinetic scheme. The oxidation mechanism is formulated and will be discussed separately for the fuel unimolecular decomposition, H-abstraction reactions by H, OH, HO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> radicals, decomposition and isomerization of the resulting fuel radicals. Since the aim of this study is to develop DIPK high temperature kinetic mechanism, the reactions with oxygen are not considered.

# 7.2.1 Unimolecular fuel decomposition reactions

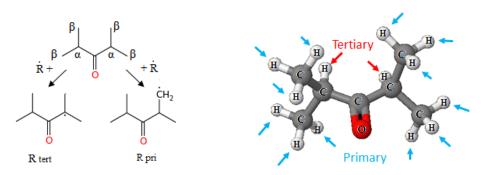
The fuel unimolecular decomposition reactions are the fuel consumption reactions in high temperature region which are also denoted as initiation reactions. There are two possible classes of unimolecular decomposition for DIPK, including bond scission and H atom elimination which result in the formation of alkyl radicals or one hydrogen atom respectively (Scheme 7-1). The rate constants are considered for recombination reactions which are listed below (R 5) to (R 8). The modified Arrhenius form rate constants of  $1.93 \times 10^{14} \times T^{-0.32} s^{-1}$  for (R 5) and  $9.03 \times 10^{12} \times T^{-0.35} s^{-1}$  for (R 6) are assumed as radical-radical recombination reaction rate based on Tsang recommendation for the recombination of n-propyl radical with methyl [115] and acetyl with isopropyl [116]. The rate constants for H-atom recombination with the fuel primary and tertiary radicals, namely (R 7) and (R 8) are assigned to be  $1 \times 10^{14} s^{-1}$  based on the radical recombination recommended by Allara and Shaw [117].

Scheme 7-1- DIPK decomposition

| $C_6H_{11}O + CH_3 \Leftrightarrow DIPK$ | (R 5) |
|--|-------|
| $C_4H_7O + iC_3H_7 \Leftrightarrow DIPK$ | (R 6) |
| $R_{Pri} + H \Leftrightarrow DIPK$       | (R 7) |
| $R_{Tert} + H \Leftrightarrow DIPK$      | (R 8) |

# 7.2.2 Fuel H-atom abstraction reactions

H atom abstraction takes place at primary ( $\beta$ ) and tertiary sites ( $\alpha$ ) of DIPK which results in the formation of two different fuel radicals, denoted as R<sub>Pri</sub> and R<sub>Tert</sub>, (Scheme 7-2). The hydrogen atom is abstracted from DIPK by different radicals ( $\dot{R}$ ) including H, OH, HO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>.



Scheme 7-2- DIPK radicals- tertiary and primary radicals

Due to the variation of the activation energy required to dissociate the abstracted H bond, the abstraction reaction is very selective; therefore, the corresponding reaction rate depends on the site from which the H atom is abstracted as well as the radical which abstracts the H atom. The literatures [117] and [118] show that there is numerical agreement between the reactivity of primary  $\beta$  hydrogen of alkanes and that of ketones which is far from the carbonyl group. Therefore the rates of abstraction from  $\beta$  site by H, CH<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, (namely (R 9), (R 15) and (R 17) respectively), are considered to be analogous to twice of the corresponding rates of abstraction from previously studied ketone, 3-pentanone for which the rates are assigned based on the comparable values in alkanes [119]. The reaction rate for abstraction by HO<sub>2</sub> from DIPK primary  $\beta$  hydrogen, (R 11), is obtained twice of isopropyl methyl ketone (iPMK) based on ab-initio and chemical kinetic study of abstraction reactions by Mendes et. al [120]. The schematic structure of iPMK is shown in Scheme 7-3.

Scheme 7-3- Isopropyl methyl ketone iPMK

Assigning a rate to the H-abstraction reaction from the tertiary  $\alpha$  site, however, is more complicated. The  $\alpha$  position is next to the carbonyl group which is polar due to the greater electronegativity of oxygen and therefore has larger molecular dipole moments than do alkenes. The  $\alpha$ -hydrogen atom is acidic and can be removed by common bases. The  $\alpha$ -substitution reaction in a ketone stands for the substitution of a  $\alpha$ -hydrogen atom by an electrophile, E, through either an enol or enolate ion. Since the rates in this study are related to high temperature limit, the details about the abstraction rate at low and intermediate temperature region are not discussed here.

Having obtained the rates of abstraction from  $\beta$  site, the rates of abstraction from  $\alpha$  site by H and CH<sub>3</sub> are calculated based on the tertiary to primary branching ratio predicted for DIPK Habstraction by Allen et al [6]. In the absence of branching ratio for C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, the abstraction rate from the  $\alpha$  site by this radical is updated based on the tertiary to primary branching ratio for a branched alkane, namely isobutene [117]. The reaction rate for abstraction by HO<sub>2</sub> from DIPK tertiary site is similarly obtained to be twice of iPMK abstraction rate with HO<sub>2</sub> from the tertiary site, based on Mendes et. al [120].

One of the most important oxidation path of ketones are those reactions with OH radical [121]; however, there are few studies on the oxidation behavior of ketones, specifically larger ones. In a recently published work, the rate constants of OH reaction with large branched and straight chained ketones at combustion temperatures are measured. The OH reaction rate constants for four hexanone isomers were compared. In this study Badra et al [122] showed that the carbonyl group position in the hexanone isomers has negligible effect on the rate constants. In the current study, it is tried to use this concept to estimate the rate constants for DIPK + OH  $\rightarrow$  products, along with Cohen's [79, 123] method of next-nearest-neighbor (NNN) to specify the site specific rate for primary and tertiary abstracted H. For this purpose, as our first approach, according to Badra et al [122] conclusion for hexanone isomers, it is assumed that the overall reaction rate of OH with isopropyl methyl ketone (iPMK) is approximately the same as its isomer, 3-pentanone. Now DIPK, iPMK and 3-pentanone are defined using NNN method.

$$k_{\text{DIPK+OH}} = 12P_{2,CO} + 2T_{100,CO} \tag{7-1}$$

$$k_{\rm iPMK+OH} = P_{1,CO} + 6P_{2,CO} + T_{100,CO}$$
(7-2)

$$k_{3-\text{pentanone+OH}} = 6P_1 + 4S_{10,CO}$$
(7-3)

Where  $P_{1,CO}$  is the rate constant for the primary site H abstraction by OH next to the carbonyl C=O, the same as in acetone;  $P_{2,CO}$  and  $T_{100,CO}$  refers to are the rates for primary and tertiary H abstraction by OH from CH and methyl next to the carbonyl group, correspondingly;

 $S_{10,CO}$  is the rate constant for secondary H-abstraction by OH from CH<sub>2</sub> nearby the carbonyl group and  $P_1$  is the rate constant for primary H-abstraction by OH from the methyl group at the site neighboring the CH<sub>2</sub> group based on Badra et al [122] definitions. Therefore, DIPK rate will be calculated as follows;

$$k_{\text{DIPK+OH}} = 2(6P_{2,CO} + T_{100,CO}) = 2(k_{\text{iPMK+OH}} - P_{1,CO}) \approx 2(k_{3\text{-pentanone+OH}} - P_{1,CO})$$

$$k_{\text{DIPK+OH}} = 6P_1 + 4S_{10,CO} - P_{1,CO}$$
(7-4)

Badra et al. [122] estimated 3-pentanone+OH rate based on their calculation of  $S_{10,CO}$  and  $P_{1,CO}$  and verified their result by Lam et al [124] experimental data. DIPK rate constant with OH can be estimated by analogy approach, (2<sup>nd</sup> approach) which is based on using the *ab initio* calculation of iPMK + OH  $\rightarrow$  products calculated in terms of overall and site specific rates by Zhou et al [118]. The total rate constants estimated for DIPK reaction with OH at high temperature range (700-2000 K) are illustrated in Figure 7-1 for two approaches which are based on Badra et al rate estimation for 3-pentanone versus Zhou e al [118] rate estimation for iPMK. As it is shown, the rate for the temperatures of over 1000 K are very close for both approaches, however, the rate based on the first approach tends to predict lower reactivity than the second one for 700-1000K. The rate constants for H abstraction reaction by different radicals are summarized in Table 7-1.

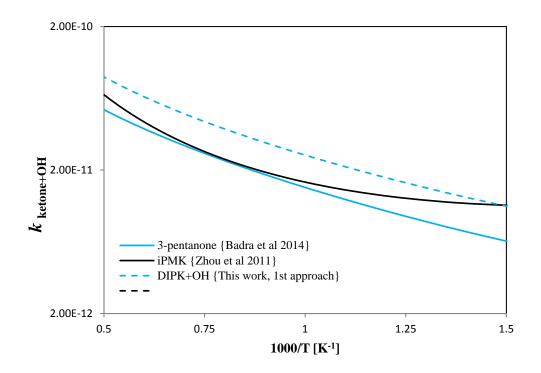


Figure 7-1- The total rate constants estimated for DIPK reaction with OH at high temperature range

| Reaction   | A <sup>†</sup>            | n     | Ea <sup>++</sup> | No.    |
|--|---------------------------|-------|------------------|--------|
| $DIPK + H \Leftrightarrow H_2 + R_{pri}$   | 2.660×10 <sup>6</sup>     | 2.450 | 6756             | (R 9)  |
| $DIPK + H \Leftrightarrow H_2 + R_{tert}$  | $1.505 \times 10^{6}$     | 2.41  | 2556             | (R 10) |
| $DIPK + OH \Longleftrightarrow H_2O + R_{pri}$   | $3.108 \times 10^{1}$     | 3.540 | -2909            | (R 11) |
| $DIPK + OH \iff H_2O + R_{tert}$   | $9.840 \times 10^3$       | 2.700 | -4036            | (R 12) |
| $\text{DIPK} + \text{HO}_2 \Leftrightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{R}_{\text{pri}}$ | 4.760×10 <sup>-3</sup>    | 4.560 | 15184            | (R 13) |
| $DIPK + HO_2 \Leftrightarrow H_2O_2 + R_{tert}$  | $1.696 \times 10^{\circ}$ | 3.53  | 11375            | (R 14) |
| $\text{DIPK} + \text{CH}_3 \Leftrightarrow \text{CH}_4 + \text{R}_{\text{pri}}$          | $6.120 \times 10^{0}$     | 3.650 | 7150             | (R 15) |
| $DIPK + CH_3 \Leftrightarrow CH_4 + R_{tert}$  | 2.343×10 <sup>3</sup>     | 2.71  | 3710             | (R 16) |
| $DIPK + C_2H_5 \Leftrightarrow C_2H_6 + R_{pri}$   | 2.000×10 <sup>11</sup>    | 0.0   | 13400            | (R 17) |
| $DIPK + C_2H_5 \Leftrightarrow C_2H_6 + R_{tert}$  | $2.646 \times 10^{10}$    | -0.19 | 10216            | (R 18) |

Table 7-1- DIPK estimated rates for H abstraction reactions by H, OH, HO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> radicals

#### 7.2.3 Ketonyl radical decomposition

The radicals produced from the H abstraction reactions are primary and tertiary radicals which decompose through an endothermic  $\beta$ -scission process. The rate constants are obtained in the reverse direction, namely the exothermic addition of H-atom or a radical across a double bond of an olefin [125]. Therefore, the rate constants for H atom addition to  $C_7H_{12}O$  producing  $R_{pri}$  and R<sub>tert</sub> (R 19 and (R 20) are assigned to have the same A-factor of  $1.0 \times 10^{13} \ cm^3 mol^{-1}s^{-1}$  with the activation energy of 2.9 kcal/mol and 1.2 kcal/mol respectively based on Curran et al recommendation [125]. Similarly the rate for alkyl radical addition across a double bond is considered to be the same as the rate of addition to the internal carbon atom, by Curran et.al [125]. Therefore the rate constants corresponding to the addition of methyl to  $C_6H_{10}O$  to form  $R_{pri}$  (R 21) as well as the addition of isopropyl radical to dimethyl ketene (DMK) to produce R<sub>tert</sub> (R 22) are estimated to be  $8.5 \times 10^{10} \exp(-5334/T) s^{-1}$ . C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O is also a radical formed by a methyl group removal from the fuel. The reaction rate constants for (R 23) and (R 24) are estimated based on similar approach to be  $1.0 \times 10^{13} \exp(-1459/T) s^{-1}$  and  $8.5 \times 10^{10} \exp(-5334/T) s^{-1}$ respectively.

|  | Modified Arrhenius Parameters                        |      |                           |  |
|--|--|------|---------------------------|--|
| Additions  | $A (\text{cm}^3/(\text{mol s}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-n}))$ | n    | E <sub>a</sub> (kcal/mol) |  |
| H addition to terminal C atom of double bond     | 1.0E+13  | 0.00 | 1.2                       |  |
| H addition to internal C atom of double bond     | 1.0E+13  | 0.00 | 2.9                       |  |
| Alkyl addition to terminal C atom of double bond | 1 8.5E+10  | 0.00 | 7.8                       |  |
| Alkyl addition to internal C atom of double bond | 8.5E+10  | 0.00 | 10.6                      |  |

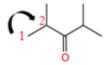
Table 7-2- Addition of methyl or H atom to double bond (Curran et al 1998 [125])

| $C_7 H_{12} O + H \Leftrightarrow R_{pri}$               | (R 19) |
|--|--------|
| $C_7 H_{12} O + H \Leftrightarrow R_{tert}$              | (R 20) |
| $C_6H_{10}O + CH_3 \Leftrightarrow R_{pri}$              | (R 21) |
| $DMK + iC_{3}H_{7} \Leftrightarrow R_{tert}$             | (R 22) |
| $C_6H_{10}O + H \Leftrightarrow C_6H_{11}O$              | (R 23) |
| $C_{3}H_{4}O + iC_{3}H_{7} \Leftrightarrow C_{6}H_{11}O$ | (R 24) |

# 7.2.4 Fuel radical isomerization reaction

The isomerization reaction of fuel radicals involves the transfer of primary H-atom to tertiary position at high pressure limits based on 1,2 H-Shift (Scheme 7-4) rate rule used in the pressure-dependence calculations by Matheu et al [126]. The expression of rate constant for (R 25) is assigned to be  $3.56 \times 10^{10} \times T^{0.88} \exp(-14897/T) s^{-1}$ .

$$R_{pri} \Leftrightarrow R_{tert}$$
 (R 25)



Scheme 7-4- H atom migration in 1,2 H-Shift

|                   | Modified Arrhenius Parameters                        |      |                        |                          |  |
|-------------------|--|------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|                   | $A (\text{cm}^3/(\text{mol s}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-n}))$ | п    | $E_{\rm a}$ (kcal/mol) | Basis Reactant for $E_a$ |  |
| 1,2 H-shifts      |  |      |                        |                          |  |
| $p \rightarrow p$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 40.0                   | $C_2H_5$                 |  |
| $p \rightarrow s$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 37.3                   | CCC.                     |  |
| $p \rightarrow t$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 34.6                   | CC(C.)C                  |  |
| $p \rightarrow a$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 29.6                   | C*CCC.                   |  |
| $s \rightarrow s$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 39.1                   | CC.CC                    |  |
| $s \rightarrow t$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 37.7                   | CC(C)C.C                 |  |
| $s \rightarrow a$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 31.5                   | C*CCC.C                  |  |
| $t \rightarrow t$ | 3.56E+10   | 0.88 | 40.0                   | CC(C)C.(C)C              |  |
| 1,3 H-shifts      |  |      |                        |                          |  |
| $v \rightarrow a$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 38.7                   | C*CC.                    |  |
| $p \rightarrow p$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 38.8                   | CCC.                     |  |
| $p \rightarrow s$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 36.6                   | CCCC.                    |  |
| $p \rightarrow t$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 34.3                   | CC(C)CC.                 |  |
| $s \rightarrow s$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 38.2                   | CCCC.C                   |  |
| $s \rightarrow t$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 36.1                   | CC(C)CC.C                |  |
| $t \rightarrow t$ | 3.80E+10   | 0.67 | 36.6                   | CC(C)CC.(C)C             |  |

Table 7-3- HP rate rules hydrogen atom shift for pressure-dependence calculations (Matheu et al 2003 [126])

### 7.2.5 Olefin unimolecular decomposition reactions

The radical decomposition through  $\beta$ -scission rule produces unsaturated species with carbon atoms double bond for which the decomposition and abstraction rate constants are to be determined. DIPK radicals  $\beta$ -scission results in the formation of  $C_7H_{12}O$ . The unimolecular decomposition reaction of DIPK by removing a methyl group also yields  $C_6H_{11}O$  radical which undergoes  $\beta$ -scission to produce  $C_6H_{10}O$  and H radical. The rates of decomposition for  $C_7H_{12}O$  are considered in reverse direction as recombination reaction of isopropyl radical with  $C_4H_5O$  as well as  $sC_3H_5$  and  $C_4H_7O$ . The rate for the former is estimated to be  $9.033 \times 10^{12} \times T^{-0.35} s^{-1}$  based on Tsang recommendation [115] found in NIST web book [95] for recombination of

isopropyl to acetyl group. Similarly the rate for  $C_3H_5$  and acetyl radical recombination is used to estimate the (R 27) rate constant [116]. (R 28) rate constant is estimated the same as (R 26).

$$iC_3H_7 + C_4H_5O \Leftrightarrow C_7H_{12}O$$
 (R 26)

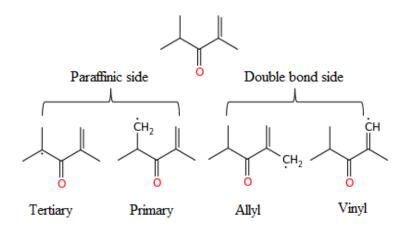
$$sC_{3}H_{5} + C_{4}H_{7}O \Leftrightarrow C_{7}H_{12}O$$
 (R 27)

$$iC_3H_7 + C_3H_3O \Leftrightarrow C_6H_{10}O$$
 (R 28)

#### 7.2.6 Olefin H-abstraction reaction

The H abstraction from large olefins ( $>C_4$ ) formed during DIPK oxidation are assumed to occur either in paraffinic side or double bond carbon side, although the latter has smaller effects on the large molecule [127]. Therefore, in  $C_7H_{12}O$ , the H abstraction reactions are from allylic and vinyl sites as well as primary and tertiary positions (see Scheme 7-5). The rate constants for the H abstraction reactions from  $C_7H_{12}O$  paraffinic side by all the radicals considered here (R 29 to (R 32) are half of that of DIPK in order to form primary and tertiary radicals. The rate constant for the Η abstraction by Η from vinyl site is assigned atom to be  $5.06 \times 10^7 \times T^{1.98} \exp(-5910/T) s^{-1}$  based on group additivity rate calculation by Sumathi et al [128] for  $R_2C = CH_2 + H \rightarrow R_2C = \dot{C}H + H_2$ . Similarly from the same reference, the rate of abstraction from allylic site is assumed to be  $1.299 \times 10^6 \times T^{2.38} \exp(-1410/T) s^{-1}$  predicted for  $R_2C = CRCH_3 + H \rightarrow R_2C = CRCH_2 + H_2$ . The H abstraction reaction rate of  $C_7H_{12}O$  by OH from vinyl site is estimated by similarity to that of 2-butene-2-one reaction measured by Badra et al [114] to be  $8.513 \times 10^{12} \times \exp(-4666/T) s^{-1}$ . The rest of the rates including the abstraction

reactions by  $CH_3$  and  $HO_2$  are assumed to be similar to isobutene [129] H abstraction resulting in vinyl and allylic radicals, found in the latest version of isooctane reaction mechanism [130]. In the reactions (R 29) to (R 32),  $C_7H_{11}O$  stands for the general representation of all radicals.



Scheme 7-5- H abstraction from  $C_7H_{12}O$ 

$$C_7 H_{12} O + H \Leftrightarrow C_7 H_{11} O + H_2$$
(R 29)

$$C_7 H_{12} O + OH \Leftrightarrow C_7 H_{11} O + H_2 O \tag{R 30}$$

 $\mathbf{C}_{7}\mathbf{H}_{12}\mathbf{O} + \mathbf{HO}_{2} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{C}_{7}\mathbf{H}_{11}\mathbf{O} + \mathbf{H}_{2}\mathbf{O}_{2} \tag{R 31}$ 

 $C_{7}H_{12}O + CH_{3} \Leftrightarrow C_{7}H_{11}O + CH_{4}$ (R 32)

# 7.2.7 Olefin radical isomerization reaction

As mentioned in the previous section, there are four different radicals formed from  $C_7H_{12}O$ H abstraction reactions. The isomerization rate constants are estimated for 1,3 H-shift from vinyl to form allylic radical (v $\rightarrow$ a) as well as 1,2 H-shift from primary to form tertiary radical (p $\rightarrow$ t) to be  $3.80 \times 10^{10} \times T^{0.67} \exp(-19476/T) s^{-1}$  and  $3.56 \times 10^{10} \times T^{0.88} \exp(-14897/T) s^{-1}$  respectively based on Matheu et al [126] calculations.

The thermochemistry properties for these radicals are estimated by THERM program [20].

$$C_7H_{11}O(v) \Leftrightarrow C_7H_{11}O(a)$$
 (R 33)

$$C_7H_{11}O(p) \Leftrightarrow C_7H_{11}O(t)$$
 (R 34)

## 7.2.8 Olefin radical decomposition reaction

The decomposition rate constants for radicals are estimated in reverse direction. It is assumed that all the radicals decompose to smaller species for which the rate constants are all  $2.5 \times 10^{13} \times \exp(-22647/T) \ s^{-1}$  based on Curran et al [127].

$$C_{7}H_{11}O(v) \Leftrightarrow pC_{3}H_{4} + C_{4}H_{7}O$$
(R 35)

$$C_7 H_{11} O(a) \Leftrightarrow a C_3 H_4 + C_4 H_7 O \tag{R 36}$$

$$C_7H_{11}O(t) \Leftrightarrow DMK + sC_3H_5$$
 (R 37)

$$C_{7}H_{11}O(p) \Leftrightarrow C_{4}H_{5}O + C_{3}H_{6}$$
(R 38)

#### 7.2.9 Keto-enol tautomerization

Ketones are often in rapid equilibrium with a tautomeric form known as an enol the isomerization called keto-enol tautomerization in which the hydrogen in  $\alpha$  position (next to the carbonyl group) moves to form the hydroxyl group by shifting the double bond from the carbonyl group to the carbon atoms bond next to OH. As the concerted keto-enol tautomerization is constrained by the transition state geometry requirements, an acid or a base catalysis is required for tautomerization to take place. This kind of reaction usually occurs in favor of ketone formation which is more stable species. Sarathy et al [23] estimated the rate for butanol isomers enol-keto tautomerization catalyzed by H,  $HO_2$  and formic acid. In order to estimate the rate for this type of reaction, supplementary information is required which is not available at the moment.

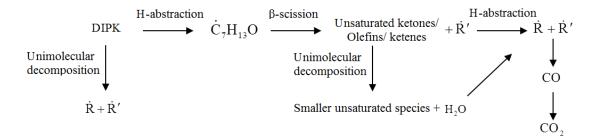
# 7.3 Low temperature DIPK kinetic model development

DIPK radicals in lower temperature react with O<sub>2</sub> which form a R<sub>p</sub>OO or R<sub>t</sub>OO, generally denoted as  $\beta$ - RO<sub>2</sub> and  $\alpha$ -RO<sub>2</sub> respectively. RO<sub>2</sub> can either go through termination reaction by losing HO<sub>2</sub> and forming olefins, namely C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O or can lead to branching reaction channel which forms QOOH radical adding to O<sub>2</sub> due to the high oxygen concentrations and low temperature. This branching channel results in the formation of OH radicals which increase the reactivity of the mixture. As the temperature increases from low region to the intermediate region, RO<sub>2</sub> formation is substituted by HO<sub>2</sub> which causes the reactivity to be decreased [63]. The decrease of reactivity by increasing the temperature is known as negative temperature coefficient (NTC) behavior. The experimental data from RCM conducted by Allen et al [6] shows DIPK NTC behavior however

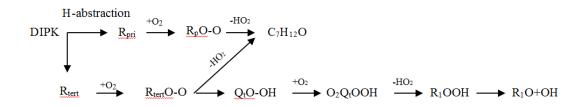
the model based on their mechanism was unable to predict this region. Therefore in addition to the high temperature region, the zero dimensional model based on our expected reaction mechanism should also predict the NTC and low temperature region very well.

# 7.4 <u>Mechanism validation</u>

The reaction class approach has been used to develop a basic reaction mechanism for DIPK. The overall high temperature reaction mechanism simplified scheme included in this study for DIPK is shown in Scheme 7-6. The naming of  $\dot{R}$  and  $\dot{R}'$  stand for ketonyl and unsaturated radicals as well as the known radicals such as H, OH, etc. The high temperature submechanism has been added to Galway NUI C4 mechanism [24]. The thermochemical data for the rest of species were adopted from Burcat [131] database. The low temperature reaction mechanism is also shown in Scheme 7-7. The comprehensive mechanism for DIPK must address all the important pathways as well as the intermediates and products to be able to predict the combustion behavior of this biofuel properly. This basic mechanism will be improved in the following chapters.



Scheme 7-6- DIPK high temperature oxidation pathway



Scheme 7-7- DIPK low temperature oxidation pathway

#### 7.4.1 Kinetic model analysis

The ignition delay behind the reflected shock waves was simulated using a zerodimensional model with adiabatic boundaries and constant volume, solving energy equation in CHEMKIN-PRO [17]. This modeling method has been used to estimate ignition delay time in many studies [84, 85, 101, 132, 133]. DIPK improved reaction mechanism is used to simulate the ignition delay time as well as CH<sub>4</sub> concentration time history.

The reactions for improvement were selected based on the results of sensitivity analysis and reaction path analysis. The A-factor sensitivity reveals that DIPK decomposition reaction to  $CH_3 + C_6H_{11}O$  was one of the most sensitive reactions. Also  $C_6H_{11}O$  decomposition to  $C_3H_4O_{+i}C_3H_7$  was also an important reaction. A it was mentioned, Curran's recommendation [125] for ( $CH_3$ +alkyl= fuel) to estimate the rate for  $CH_3+C_6H_{11}O$  = DIPK which was apparently low. That higher reaction rate can be explained by the carbonyl group which is polar comparing to alkanes. The rate for  $C_6H_{11}O = C_3H_4O_{+i}C_3H_7$  was taken from Curran et al., for Alkyl radical decomposition. The alkyl through double bond with internal C atom was used for the rate. For the modified HT mechanism the reaction rate A-factor was increased. The results for ignition delay time simulation using the modified high temperature mechanism is shown in Figure 7-2. The ignition delay time simulated using the modified high temperature mechanism is perfectly matched at higher temperature (T>1200 K) with the experimental data from UCF's shock tube. The results for pyrolysis at 1300 K are also shown in Figure 7-3 which shows a decent agreement between the experiment and HT mechanism simulation.

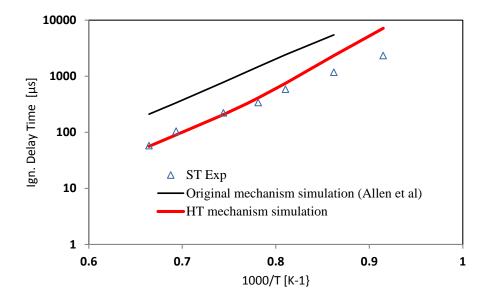


Figure 7-2- DIPK ignition delay time; comparison between the experimental data for stoichiometric mixture of 2% DIPK in 20% O2 and 78% Ar at 0.9 bar with the simulation using original mechanism (Allen et al) and the modified mechanism (current work)

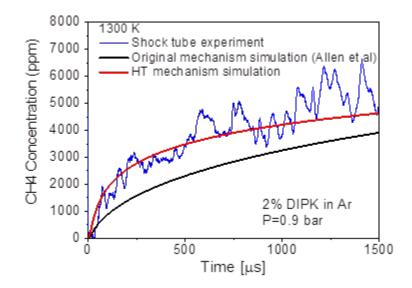


Figure 7-3- CH<sub>4</sub> concentration shock tube experiment for DIPK pyrolysis compared to the high temperature reaction mechanism as well as original mechanism

### 7.5 <u>Conclusion</u>

The high temperature reaction mechanism of DIPK has been developed and the reactions rates have been estimated using reaction class approach. The high and low temperature reaction rates were added to the GUI C1-C4 mechanism to develop the final reaction mechanism for DIPK. The experimental results of ignition delay time for DIPK oxidation have been used to evaluate the simulated ignition time. The prediction of ignition time at higher temperature (T> 1200 K) is perfectly matched with the experimental data from UCF's shock tube.

### **CHAPTER 8: SUMMARY**

The combustion kinetics of advanced biofuels were investigated in this dissertation. Diisopropyl ketone, as a prototypical biofuel is produced from endophytic fungi. This fuel along with other oxygenated fuels such as alcohols is promising fuels for the next generation of engines. DIPK kinetic mechanism was reviewed using high and low temperature reactions classes and the reaction rate constants were assigned based on analogy to the similar reactions or literature recommendations.

A single zone HCCI engine model was developed and validated against recent experimental data from Sandia to find out the deficiencies associated with DIPK reaction mechanism. Different HCCI simulation assumptions were tested and the DIPK reaction mechanism was modified with missing reactions and the required thermochemical data. As a result, the HCCI pressure trace, heat release rate and reactivity have been improved comparing to the original mechanism.

The kinetic investigation was followed by quantum chemical calculation of DIPK radicals reactions with O<sub>2</sub>. The barrier energies and vibrational modes were calculated in Gaussian and the reactions rate constants were calculated. The data was used to modify the reaction rates within the mechanism.

DIPK low temperature oxidation was studied through the experimental data obtained from the synchrotron photoionization experiments directed at the Advanced Light Source (ALS). The important reaction pathways as well as the primary product were identified. The oxidation of many oxygenated fuels including ketones (i.e. DIPK) generates aldehydes as intermediates. Hence, the Cl-initiated oxidation ALS measurements were performed to identify the reaction pathways and products. The results were used to investigate the DIPK kinetic behavior within negative temperature coefficient region.

The experimental data for the product CH<sub>4</sub> concentration in DIPK pyrolysis as well as DIPK ignition delay time were obtained using UCF shock tube to verify the model. The developed reaction mechanism was validated against the experimental ignition delay time which showed very good agreement.

The most obvious future work would include experimental studies of the DIPK oxidation at high pressure to investigate the kinetic mechanism for range of pressure and temperature. The oxidation experimental data can be extended to obtain more products time histories so that the model can be verified against various products formations. The oxidation experiment with shock tube can be done with different fuel equivalence ratio to investigate the fuel lean and rich flow effects on ignition delay time as well as the products mole fraction.

## **APPENDIX A**

## DIPK HIGH TEMPERATURE MECHANISM

! DI PK UNI - MOLECULAR DECOMPOSITION/RECOMBINATION REACTIONS: 1. 0e+00 IC3H7+IC4H70(+m) = DIPK(+m)0.0 0.0 !NetReaction from PDepNetwork #1 (C7H140) High-P Limit: R\_Recombination exact: [ C\_rad/H/NonDeC , CO\_rad/NonDe ] 
 TCHEB / 300.0
 2000.0
 /

 PCHEB / 0.009869232667160128
 98.69232667160128
 /
 CHEB / 6 4 / CHEB / 1. 2707000e+01 1. 6666000e-01 - 3. 9327000e-02 8. 4603000e-04 / CHEB / -3. 9341000e-01 3. 1328000e-01 -7. 2054000e-02 8. 6253000e-04 / CHEB / -2. 4853000e-01 2. 5892000e-01 -5. 4499000e-02 -1. 1907000e-03 / CHEB / -1. 7237000e-01 1. 8538000e-01 -3. 1726000e-02 -3. 4359000e-03 / CHEB / -1.0942000e-01 1.1126000e-01 -1.0504000e-02 -4.8596000e-03 / CHEB / -5.9763000e-02 5.2146000e-02 3.9331000e-03 -4.9745000e-03 / ! For the above reaction, deltaHrxn(T=298K) = -82.3 kcal/mol ! From Chemical Kinetic Data Base for Combustion Chemistry. Part 3: Propane. Journal of Physical and Chemical Reference Data, 1988. 17(2): p. 887-951. And Tsang, W., J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data, 1991. 20(2): p. 235. Sensitivity analysis was done for CH4 and A factor was increased for CH3+C6H110J<=>DI PK. CH3+C6H110J<=>DI PK 6.00e+15 - 0. 32 0.0 9. 03e+12 I C3H7+I C4H70<=>DI PK - 0. 35 0.0 ! Allara, D. L., and Shaw, R., J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data 9:523-559 (1980). 1. ŏ0e+14 R\_pri+H<=>DIPK 0.0 0.0 R tert+H<=>DIPK 1.00e+140.0 0.0 **! DI PK H ABSTRACTI ON REACTI ONS:** ! C.-W. Zhou; J. M. Simmie; H. J. Curran, Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 13 (2011) 11175-11192. 9.840e+03 2.700 - 4036 DIPK+OH<=>R\_tert+H20 ! C.-W. Zhou; J. M. Simmie; H. J. Curran, Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 13 (2011) 11175-11192.  $DIPK+OH <=>R_pri+H20$ 3. 108e+01 3.540 - 2909 ! J. Mendes; C.-W. Zhou; H. J. Curran DIPK+H02=R\_tert+H202 1.696e+00 3.530 11375 ! J. Mendes; C.-W. Zhou; H. J. Curran DIPK+H02=R\_pri+H202 4.760e-03 4.560 15184

! Computed by using the branching ratio from Allen et. al , Combustion and flame 161 (2014) 711-724 and the 3-pentanone H abstraction reactions rates by Serinyel et. al. (2010). DIPK+H=R\_tert+H2 1.505e+06 2.410 2556

! Computed by using the 3-pentanone H abstraction reactions rates by Serinyel et. al. (2010). DIPK+H=R\_pri+H2 2.664e+06 2.450 6756 ! Computed by using the branching ratio from Allen et. al , Combustion and flame 161 (2014) 711-724 and the 3-pentanone H abstraction reactions rates by Serinyel et. al. (2010) (A factor x2). DIPK+CH3=R\_tert+CH4 4. 686e+03 2. 710 3710 ! Computed by using the 3-pentanone H abstraction reactions rates by Serinyel et. al. (2010) (A factor x2). DIPK+CH3=R\_pri+CH4 12. 24e+00 3. 650 7150 ! Computed by using the iso-butanol reaction rate for H abstraction by C2H5 by Sarathy et. al. Combustion and flame(2012). DIPK+C2H5=R\_tert+C2H6 2. 646e+10 -0. 19 10216 ! Computed by using the 3-pentanone H abstraction reactions rates by Serinyel et. al. (2010).

DI PK+C2H5=R\_pri +C2H6 2. 000e+11 0. 0 13400

# ! DI PK RADI CALS DECOMPOSI TI ON:

| ! Curran et al., Combustion and flame      | 129: 253- 280 | (2002) Al kyl | radi cal |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| decomposition.                             |               |               |          |
| C7H12O+H<=>R_pri                           | 1.000e+13     | 0.0           | 2900     |
| C7H12O+H<=>R_tert                          | 1.000e+13     | 0.0           | 1200     |
| C3H6+IC4H70<=>R_pri                        | 1.506e+00     | 3. 380        | 3640     |
| ! DIPK mech                                |               |               |          |
| CH3+C6H100-1<=>R_pri                       | 8. 500e+10    | 0.0           | 10600    |
| CH3+C6H100-1<=>R_pri<br>DMK+IC3H7<=>R_tert | 8. 500e+10    | 0.0           | 10600    |
| C3H40+IC3H7=C6H110J                        | 8. 500e+11    | 0.0           | 10600    |
| H+C6H100-1=C6H110J                         | 1.000e+13     | 0.0           | 2900     |
| ! DI PK RADI CALS I SOMERI ZATI ON:        |               |               |          |
| ! ====================================     |               |               |          |
| <br>! Matheu et al.                        |               |               |          |
| R_pri=R_tert                               | 3. 564E+10    | 0.88          | 29600    |

! C7H120 UNI - MOLECULAR DECOMPOSITION/RECOMBINATION REACTIONS:

| !=====================================  | cal kinetic data for<br>9.033e+12              | =======<br>propane- page<br>- 0. 35 | 943 (1988)<br>0.0  |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| ! Computed based on Tsang, Chemic<br>chemistry, part V. vol 20 (1991)<br>C3H5-S+IC4H70=C7H120<br>IC3H7+C3H30=C6H100-1 | cal kinetic database<br>1.812e+13<br>9.033e+12 | for combustic<br>0.0<br>-0.35       | on<br>0. 0<br>0. 0 |

C7H120 H ABSTRACTION REACTIONS:

!The radicals of C7H110-p, C7H110-t C7H110-v and C7H110-a are considered as primary, tertiary, vinyl and allylic radicals. ! Abstraction rate constants by H atom from primary and tertiary are half of DIPK rates. ! Abstraction rate constants by H atom from vinyl and allylic sites are Computed by using the reaction rate estimation based on group additivity, Sumathi et. al, MIT (2001).

| ! estimated based on half of DIPK rates<br>C7H120+H=H2+C7H110-p<br>C7H120+OH=H20+C7H110-p<br>C7H120+H02=H202+C7H110-p<br>C7H120+CH3=CH4+C7H110-p | 1. 332e+06<br>1. 558e+01<br>2. 380e-03<br>3. 060e+00 | $\begin{array}{c} 2.\ 450\\ 3.\ 540\\ 4.\ 560\\ 3.\ 650 \end{array}$ | 6756<br>- 2909<br>15184<br>7150 |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------|
| ! estimated based on half of DIPK rates<br>C7H120+H=H2+C7H110-t<br>C7H120+OH=H20+C7H110-t<br>C7H120+H02=H202+C7H110-t<br>C7H120+CH3=CH4+C7H110-t | 0. 752e+06<br>4. 920e+03<br>0. 848e+00<br>1. 171e+03 | 2. 410<br>2. 700<br>3. 530<br>2. 710                                 | 2556<br>- 4036<br>11375<br>3710 |
| C7H120+H=H2+C7H110-v<br>C7H120+OH=H20+C7H110-v<br>! Badra et al<br>!C7H120+H02=H202+C7H110-v<br>!could notfind a rate                            | 5. 060e+07<br>8. 513e+12                             | 1.98<br>0.0  | 11743<br>4666                   |
| C7H12O+CH3=CH4+C7H11O-v<br>C7H12O+H=H2+C7H11O-a<br>C7H12O+OH=H2O+C7H11O-a  | 2. 00e+12<br>1. 299e+06<br>2. 70e+13                 | 0.00<br>2.38<br>0.00   | 15000<br>2801<br>3000           |
| !2009 Yasunaga et al. for isobutene! Bute<br>(2014), using the isomerization rate of I   | ene mechanism file<br>C4H7-1 and IC4H7               | e, Zhao et.<br>from Yasu   | al<br>1aga et                   |
| al (2009)  |  | 110m 1asu  | laga cc.                        |
| C7H12O+HO2=H2O2+C7H11O-a<br>!2009 Yasunaga et al. for isobutene  | 4. 00e+13  | 0.00   | 21000                           |
| C7H12O+CH3=CH4+C7H11O-a<br>!2009 Yasunaga et al. for isobutene   | 3. 20e+12  | 0.00   | 10000                           |
| ! C7H120 RADI CALS DECOMPOSI TI ON:<br>! ====================================  |  |  |                                 |
| !Curran et al -isooctane- (2002)<br>C7H110-t=DMK+C3H5-S  | 2. 500e+13   | 0. 0   | 45000                           |
| C7H110-p=C3H6+C4H50  | 2. 500e+13   | 0.0  | 45000                           |
| С7Н110- а=С3Н4- А+I С4Н70  | 2. 500e+13   | 0.0  | 45000                           |
| C7H110- v=C3H4- P+I C4H70  | 2. 500e+13   | 0.0  | 45000                           |
| C7H120 RADICALS ISOMERIZATION:   |  |  |                                 |
| ! Matheu et al.<br>C7H110-v=C7H110-a   | 3. 80e+10  | 0.67   | 38700                           |
| C7H110-p=C7H110-t  | 3. 56e+10  | 0.88   | 29600                           |
| !Reactions to complete the pathway   |  |  |                                 |
| ! Using DIPK mechanism , Allen. et. al (2  | 2014)  |  |                                 |
| !C4H50 reactions:  |  |  |                                 |
| C0+C3H5-S(+M) =C4H50(+M) 1<br>TCHEB/ 300.000 4000.000 /<br>PCHEB/ 0.010 98.692 /<br>CHEB/ 6 4/   | 1. 000e+00 0. 000                                    | 0. 000   |                                 |
| CHEB/8. 327e+001. 045e+00- 1. 69CHEB/3. 491e-018. 739e-017. 308  | 03e-01 1.401e-02<br>8e-02 -4.427e-0<br>31            |  |                                 |

| CHEB/ -4.610e-01<br>CHEB/ -1.040e-01<br>CHEB/ 5.753e-02<br>CHEB/ 1.012e-02  | 1. 706e-01<br>-6. 360e-02<br>-4. 048e-02<br>-1. 791e-02   | 8. 270e-02<br>2. 008e-02<br>- 1. 766e-02<br>- 6. 172e-03   | 3. 850e-03<br>1. 444e-02<br>6. 050e-03<br>-2. 737e-03   | <br> <br>                        |
|---|---|--|---|----------------------------------|
| C3H40 reactions:  |   |  |   |                                  |
|   | )<br>4000. 000 /<br>98. 692 /   | 1.059e+09<br>4.000e+06<br>2.000e+05<br>1.000e+00   | 0. 830<br>2. 000<br>2. 500<br>0. 000  | 6830<br>0. 000<br>2500<br>0. 000 |
| CHEB/ 1.155e+01<br>CHEB/ -1.172e+00<br>CHEB/ -6.424e-01<br>CHEB/ -2.490e-01<br>CHEB/ -7.211e-02<br>CHEB/ 7.658e-03<br>C3H30+H(+M)=C3H40(+M)<br>TCHEB/ 300.000<br>PCHEB/ 0.010 | 1. 830e+00<br>1. 493e-01<br>3. 943e-02<br>- 1. 324e-02<br>- 8. 132e-03<br>- 1. 544e-03<br>4000. 000 /<br>98. 692 /      | - 1. 030e- 01<br>8. 769e- 02<br>2. 498e- 02<br>- 6. 134e- 03<br>- 5. 121e- 03<br>- 1. 651e- 03<br>1. 000e+0  | - 4. 369e- 02<br>3. 464e- 02<br>1. 169e- 02<br>- 8. 001e- 04<br>- 2. 345e- 03<br>- 1. 384e- 03<br>00 0. 000 | /<br>/<br>/<br>0. 000            |
| PCHEB/ 0.010  | 1. 781e+00<br>2. 034e-01<br>4. 515e-02<br>- 2. 015e-02<br>- 9. 528e-03<br>- 2. 488e-03                                  | - 1. 253e-01<br>1. 121e-01<br>2. 844e-02<br>- 8. 535e-03<br>- 6. 195e-03<br>- 2. 426e-03<br>3. 510e-02 4.<br>2. 412e+02 2.<br>1. 680e+12 0.<br>1. 000e+0 | 2209.809207.10  | /<br>/<br>30<br>30               |
| PCHEB/ 0.010  | 5. 221e-01<br>8. 232e-01<br>4. 407e-01<br>1. 526e-01<br>7. 555e-03<br>-3. 699e-02<br>M)<br>4000. 000 /<br>98. 692 /     | - 8. 463e- 02<br>- 6. 911e- 02<br>2. 956e- 02<br>5. 396e- 02<br>3. 076e- 02<br>3. 766e- 03<br>1. 000e+0  | 5. 228e-03<br>-1. 338e-02<br>-2. 060e-02<br>-3. 380e-03<br>8. 809e-03<br>8. 207e-03<br>00 0. 000            | /<br>/<br>/<br>0. 000            |
|   | 1. 656e+00<br>3. 165e-01<br>7. 403e-02<br>- 2. 028e-02<br>- 2. 122e-02<br>- 8. 779e-03<br>0<br>4000. 000 /<br>98. 692 / | - 1. 779e-01<br>1. 517e-01<br>4. 702e-02<br>- 4. 023e-03<br>- 1. 162e-02<br>- 6. 978e-03<br>1. 000e+0  | - 5. 025e- 02<br>3. 141e- 02<br>2. 115e- 02<br>5. 351e- 03<br>- 3. 479e- 03<br>- 4. 346e- 03<br>00 0. 000   | /<br>/<br>/<br>0. 000            |
| CHEB/ 1. 142e+01<br>CHEB/ -1. 253e+00<br>CHEB/ -7. 400e-01<br>CHEB/ -3. 488e-01   | 1. 550e+00<br>3. 864e-01<br>1. 141e-01<br>- 1. 490e-02  | - 2. 170e- 01<br>1. 689e- 01<br>6. 476e- 02<br>3. 163e- 03<br>132  | - 4. 976e- 02<br>2. 281e- 02<br>2. 251e- 02<br>1. 040e- 02  | <br> <br>                        |

| CHEB/- 1. 332e- 01- 2. 738e- 02CHEB/- 2. 835e- 02- 1. 555e- 02   |  |
|--|--|
| !C3H30 reactions:<br>!   | 1. 000e+00 0. 000 0. 000   |
| CHEB/ 6 4/<br>CHEB/ 7. 989e+00 1. 437e+00<br>CHEB/ 4. 693e-01 5. 146e-01<br>CHEB/ -4. 124e-01 9. 260e-02<br>CHEB/ -9. 013e-02 -3. 487e-02<br>CHEB/ 9. 066e-02 -2. 862e-02<br>CHEB/ 3. 766e-02 1. 160e-02 | 6. 516e-02 1. 987e-02 /<br>-8. 185e-03 1. 025e-02 /<br>-1. 364e-02 -3. 187e-03 / |
| !C6H100 reaction:<br>!<br>IC4H70+C2H3=C6H100-1   | 1. 000e+13 0. 000 0. 000   |
| END<br>!!  |  |

## **APPENDIX B**

# QUANTUM CHEMICAL CALCULATIONS OF DIPK RADICALS REACTIONS WITH O2

### a-RO2↔a-Qp1

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:              |                        |                      |           |
|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)              | X(ang)                 | Y(ang)               | Z(ang)    |
| 1 <b>2</b> . 000       | 0. 3884                | 0. 6793              | 0. 1307   |
| 15.995                 | 0. 5833                | 1.8571               | 0. 3262   |
| 12.000                 | 1. 5240                | - 0. 3330            | 0.0264    |
| 1.008                  | 1.2374                 | - 1. 2115            | 0.6120    |
| 12.000                 | - 1. 0956              | 0. 2415              | - 0. 0498 |
| 12.000                 | 1.6884                 | - 0. 7860            | - 1. 4420 |
| 1.008                  | 2.4996                 | - 1. 5148            | - 1. 5085 |
| 1.008                  | 0.7847                 | - 1. 2585            | - 1. 8293 |
| 1.008                  | 1.9449                 | 0.0624               | - 2. 0831 |
| 12.000                 | 2.8232                 | 0. 2508              | 0. 5869   |
| 1.008                  | 2.7095                 | 0.5422               | 1.6331    |
| 1.008                  | 3. 6238                | -0.4904              | 0. 5222   |
| 1.008                  | 3. 1258                | 1.1393               | 0. 0293   |
| 12.000                 | - 1. 9109              | 0. 6451              | 1. 1757   |
| 1.008                  | - 1. 8050              | 1.7189               | 1. 3288   |
| 1.008                  | - 2. 9641              | 0.4025               | 1.0182    |
| 1.008                  | -1.5576                | 0. 1221              | 2.0638    |
| 12.000                 | - 1. 6510              | 0.8304               | - 1. 3458 |
| 1.008                  | -1.5533                | 1.9158               | - 1. 3124 |
| 1.008                  | - 2. 7050              | 0.5675               | - 1. 4549 |
| 15.995                 | -0.9722                | - 1. 9361            | 0.8235    |
| 15.995                 | -1.2032                | - 1. 2221            | -0.2596   |
| 1.008                  | - 1. 1075              | 0. 4582              | - 2. 2164 |
| Frequenci es           | (cm-1):                |                      |           |
| 42.073                 | 79. 138                | 137. 288             |           |
| 192.893                | 197. 512               | 212.084              |           |
| 214. 352               | 250. 151               | 254. 590             |           |
| 270.098                | 299. 189               | 321.086              |           |
| 336. 634               | 369. 797               | 393. 363             |           |
| 451.065                | 552.293                | 604.364              |           |
| 694. 215               | 758. 419               | 793. 316             |           |
| 860.816                | 903.017                | 948. 208             |           |
| 951.432                | 975.306                | 1024.899             |           |
| 1043. 693              | 1105.899               | 1125.884             |           |
| 1145. 433              | 1188.247               | 1200.032             |           |
| 1217.261               | 1237.550               | 1310. 489            |           |
| 1380. 547              | 1391.083               | 1402.968             |           |
| 1410.684               | 1421.948               | 1474.547             |           |
| 1482.422               | 1484.651               | 1487.429             |           |
| 1491. 967<br>1513. 669 | 1500. 492              | 1510.714             |           |
| 3025. 087              | 1771. 539<br>3032. 843 | 3017.284<br>3037.483 |           |
| 3039. 203              | 3032. 843              | 3037. 483            |           |
| 3099.203               | 3101. 519              | 3104. 297            |           |
| 3112.392               | 3121.007               | 3131.051             |           |
| 5116. 536              | 5121.007               | 5151.051             |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 291.365023939 473.81092957 546.431407586 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions  |             |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400.00      | 500.00      | 600.00      |
| 800.00         1000.00         1500.00           Entropy         40.83         40.86           45.73         46.84         48.85   | 42.29       | 43. 40      | 44.30       |
| Cp 4. 97 4. 97   | 4.97        | 4.97        | 4.97        |
| dH 1.48 1.49   | 1.99        | 2.48        | 2.98        |
| 3. 97 4. 97 7. 45<br>qtrans 6. 86e+07 6. 98e+07<br>8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298. 15<br>Entropy 40. 83<br>Cp 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48<br>qtrans 6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08   | 2. 50e+08   | 3.95e+08    |
| Vibrational Contributions  |             |             |             |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00     | 500. 00     | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00         1000. 00         1500. 00           Entropy         35. 59         35. 85  | 48. 50      | 60. 71      | 72.39       |
| 93. 92 113. 16 153. 12<br>Cp 38. 31 38. 54   | 49.77       | 59.77       | 68. 22      |
| 81. 33 90. 87 105. 39<br>dH 5. 83 5. 91  | 10. 34      | 15.83       | 22. 25      |
| 37. 30       54. 58       104. 14         q_vi b       3. 17e+03       3. 38e+03         2. 18e+10       6. 33e+12       1. 95e+18   | 8. 94e+04   | 2.23e+06    | 5. 18e+07   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 35.61<br>Cp 38.32<br>dH 5.84<br>q_vib 3.18e+03  |             |             |             |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00     | 500. 00     | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 29. 62 29. 64   | 30. 50      | 31. 16      | 31. 70      |
| 32. 56 33. 23 34. 44<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98   | 2.98        | 2.98        | 2.98        |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89  | 1.19        | 1.49        | 1.79        |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 662983. 05 669668. 56<br>2916171. 15 4075473. 08 7487122. 13  | 1031022. 20 | 1440897. 32 | 1894108. 72 |

| External | Rotati ona | al Contributio | ns |
|----------|------------|----------------|----|
| Temperat | ure        | 298.15         |    |
| Entr     | opy        | 29.62          |    |
|          | Čp         | 2.98           |    |
|          | dĤ         | 0.89           |    |

Hf298 S298 Cps: -65. 0594250885 107. 434154134 46. 2552838012 46. 4856476637 57. 7198625114 67. 7198876299 76. 1732803406 89. 2816010199 98. 8202900972 113. 342514168Mol ecul e 2: 

| Geometry: |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000    | 0. 3393   | 0. 7720   | - 0. 0320 |
| 15.995    | 0. 5373   | 1.9134    | - 0. 3791 |
| 12.000    | 1. 5259   | - 0. 1393 | 0.3439    |
| 1.008     | 1.3307    | - 0. 5023 | 1.3608    |
| 12.000    | - 1. 1269 | 0. 2513   | 0. 0882   |
| 12.000    | 1.6319    | - 1. 3546 | - 0. 5592 |
| 1.008     | 2.3839    | - 2. 0872 | - 0. 2712 |
| 1.008     | 0.4029    | - 1. 9858 | - 0. 3322 |
| 1.008     | 1. 5758   | - 1. 1759 | - 1. 6324 |
| 12.000    | 2.8453    | 0.6539    | 0.3557    |
| 1.008     | 2.7796    | 1. 5018   | 1.0402    |
| 1.008     | 3.6673    | 0.0091    | 0.6752    |
| 1.008     | 3. 0730   | 1.0479    | - 0. 6360 |
| 12.000    | - 1. 5155 | 0.0671    | 1.5575    |
| 1.008     | - 1. 3861 | 1.0065    | 2.1010    |
| 1.008     | - 2. 5652 | - 0. 2285 | 1.6183    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 9174 | - 0. 7071 | 2.0354    |
| 12.000    | - 2. 0790 | 1.1984    | -0.6364   |
| 1.008     | - 2. 0176 | 2.1963    | - 0. 2038 |
| 1.008     | - 3. 0996 | 0.8229    | -0.5476   |
| 15.995    | -0.6789   | - 2. 0858 | - 0. 0193 |
| 15.995    | - 1. 2893 | - 0. 9883 | - 0. 6616 |
| 1.008     | - 1. 8187 | 1.2714    | - 1. 6931 |
|           |           |           |           |

| (am 1).   |   |
|-----------|---|
| (Cm-1):   |   |
| requency: | - 1649. 42137239  |
| 88.650    | 185.395   |
| 218.959   | 225.905   |
| 275.719   | 291.208   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
| 758.005   | 825. 413  |
| 906.392   | 912.746   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
| 1217.438  | 1260. 651   |
| 1342.089  | 1395.293  |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           |   |
| 1772. 718 | 3005. 955   |
| 3029.037  | 3042.207  |
|           |   |
|           |   |
|           | 3124. 047   |
| 3155. 207 |   |
|           | $\begin{array}{c} 88.\ 650\\ 218.\ 959\\ 275.\ 719\\ 360.\ 889\\ 415.\ 286\\ 586.\ 069\\ 758.\ 005\\ 906.\ 392\\ 961.\ 344\\ 1031.\ 075\\ 1130.\ 484\\ 1217.\ 438\\ 1342.\ 089\\ 1415.\ 224\\ 1481.\ 682\\ 1488.\ 667\\ 1772.\ 718\\ \end{array}$ |

External Symmetry = 1.0

| Principal Moments of Inertia = 288.88<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2  | 7033494 431                                   | . 284132075  | 577. 844518429                                     |
|---|---|--|--|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49<br>3.97 4.97 7.45<br>qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07<br>8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.83<br>Cp 4.97<br>dH 1.48<br>qtrans 6.87e+07   | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08   | 500.00<br>43.40<br>4.97<br>2.48<br>2.50e+08        | 600.00<br>44.30<br>4.97<br>2.98<br>3.95e+08        |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 31.73 31.98<br>89.89 109.09 148.80<br>Cp 37.32 37.57<br>81.31 90.57 104.47<br>dH 5.36 5.43<br>36.77 54.03 103.26<br>$q_vib$ 1.01e+03 1.08e+03<br>3.98e+09 1.08e+12 2.99e+17<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 31.75<br>Cp 37.34<br>dH 5.36<br>$q_vib$ 1.02e+03                        | 400.00<br>44.45<br>49.49<br>9.80<br>2.30e+04  | 500.00<br>56.65<br>59.80<br>15.28<br>5.00e+05      | 600.00<br>68.33<br>68.34<br>21.71<br>1.06e+07      |
| $\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{External Rotational Contributions} \\ \text{Temperature} & 298.00 & 300.00 \\ \text{800.00} & 1000.00 & 1500.00 \\ & \text{Entropy} & 29.57 & 29.59 \\ 32.52 & 33.18 & 34.39 \\ & & \text{Cp} & 2.98 & 2.98 \\ 2.98 & 2.98 & 2.98 \\ & & \text{dH} & 0.89 & 0.89 \\ 2.38 & 2.98 & 4.47 \\ & & & & & & & & & & \\ q\_rot & 647686.16 & 654217.42 \\ 2848886.85 & 3981440.40 & 7314373.07 \\ \end{array}$ | 400.00<br>30.45<br>2.98<br>1.19<br>1007233.60 | 500. 00<br>31. 11<br>2. 98<br>1. 49<br>1407651. 75 | 600. 00<br>31. 66<br>2. 98<br>1. 79<br>1850406. 29 |

External Rotational Contributions

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| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 29.57     |
| Čp          | 2.98      |
| dH          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 648175.24 |

Hf 298 S298 Cps: -32. 4863634848 210. 957877442 45. 2705197825 45. 5191432808 57. 4370196169 67. 7485636326 76. 2876569712 89. 2541907834 98. 5154632494 112. 418327784Mol ecul e 3:

| Geometry:    |   |   |           |
|--------------|---|---|-----------|
|              | $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z})$ | $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z})$ | 7(        |
| Mass(amu)    | X(ang)  | Y(ang)  | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000       | 0. 3683   | $0.68\bar{7}2$  | 0. 0921   |
| 15. 995      | 0. 5412   | 1.8593  | 0. 3326   |
| 12.000       | 1.5505  | -0.2792   | -0.1710   |
| 1.008        | 1. 3378   | - 1. 1965   | 0. 3825   |
|              |   |   |           |
| 12.000       | - 1. 0867   | 0.1568  | - 0. 0262 |
| 12.000       | 1.5695  | - 0. 5923   | - 1. 6314 |
| 1.008        | 2.0520  | 0. 0910   | - 2. 3211 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 5312   | - 2. 2381   | 1.4714    |
| 1.008        | 1.0121  | - 1. 4294   | - 2. 0289 |
|              |   |   |           |
| 12.000       | 2.8631  | 0.3455  | 0.3168    |
| 1.008        | 2.8153  | 0.5730  | 1. 3842   |
| 1.008        | 3. 6909   | - 0. 3457   | 0. 1443   |
| 1.008        | 3.0705  | 1.2788  | - 0. 2101 |
| 12.000       | - 1. 9363   | 0. 6865   | 1.1306    |
| 1. 008       | - 1. 8891   | 1. 7748   | 1. 1483   |
|              |   |   |           |
| 1.008        | - 2. 9755   | 0.3731  | 1.0009    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 5672   | 0. 3137   | 2.0863    |
| 12.000       | - 1. 6597   | 0. 5894   | - 1. 3831 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 6223   | 1.6773  | - 1. 4548 |
| 1.008        | - 2. 6968   | 0. 2583   | - 1. 4698 |
| 15. 995      | - 0. 6998   | - 1. 8554   | 1. 1597   |
|              |   |   |           |
| 15.995       | - 1. 1319   | - 1. 2812   | -0.1073   |
| 1.008        | - 1. 0832   | 0. 1631   | - 2. 2054 |
|              |   |   |           |
| Frequenci es | (cm-1):   |   |           |
| 48. 291      | 61.944  | 154.846   |           |
| 184. 812     | 201. 235  | 209. 292  |           |
|              | 201.233   | 209.292   |           |
| 215.041      | 237.740   | 246.744   |           |
| 251.420      | 284. 531  | 292.965   |           |
| 299. 681     | 338. 426  | 373. 217  |           |
| 402.149      | 458.017   | 531. 597  |           |
| 560. 901     | 588. 242  | 686.036   |           |
| 760. 866     | 829. 622  | 883. 528  |           |
|              |   |   |           |
| 906. 784     | 921.732   | 934. 624  |           |
| 946. 632     | 1019. 271   | 1031. 099   |           |
| 1053. 973    | 1135. 652   | 1157.472  |           |
| 1189. 237    | 1210. 170   | 1245.168  |           |
| 1285.632     | 1347. 581   | 1365. 477   |           |
| 1386. 789    | 1405. 851   | 1407.777  |           |
|              |   |   |           |
| 1444.894     | 1473.634  | 1485.093  |           |
| 1487.885     | 1491.101  | 1491.650  |           |
| 1514. 254    | 1768. 272   | 3025.088  |           |
| 3028, 265    | 3031 894  | 3062 291  |           |

3031.894

3100. 980

3115.633

3028.265

3091.928

3105.199

3062.291

3102.195

3121.837

| External Symmetry = 1.0<br>Principal Moments of Inertia = 292.49<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2   | 9866812 478                                 | . 825708902                                 | 531. 931877469                              |
|---|---|---|---|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97<br>4.97 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49<br>3.97 4.97 7.45<br>qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07<br>8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.83<br>Cp 4.97<br>dH 1.48<br>qtrans 6.87e+07 | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08 | 500.00<br>43.40<br>4.97<br>2.48<br>2.50e+08 | 600.00<br>44.30<br>4.97<br>2.98<br>3.95e+08 |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:   |   |   |   |
| Intropy.           Temperature         298.00         300.00           800.00         1000.00         1500.00   | 400. 00                                     | 500.00                                      | 600. 00                                     |
| Entropy 38. 08 38. 35<br>98. 72 118. 18 158. 31   | 51.82                                       | 64.62                                       | 76. 70                                      |
| Cp 41. 12 41. 35  | 52.54                                       | 62.21                                       | 70. 26                                      |
| 82. 62 91. 64 105. 57<br>dH 6. 28 6. 36   | 11.07                                       | 16. 83                                      | 23.47                                       |
| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$  | 1.89e+05                                    | 5.84e+06                                    | 1.64e+08                                    |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 38.10<br>Cp 41.13<br>dH 6.28<br>q_vib 5.25e+03   |   |   |   |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00                                     | 500. 00                                     | 600. 00                                     |
| 800. 00         1000. 00         1500. 00           Entropy         29. 61         29. 63   | 30. 48                                      | 31.15                                       | 31.69                                       |
| 32. 55 <sup>1</sup> 33. 21 34. 42<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98   | 2.98  | 2.98  | 2.98  |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89   | 1.19  | 1.49  | 1.79  |
| 2. 38<br>q_rot 658859. 67 665503. 61<br>2898034. 24 4050125. 97 7440556. 52   | 1024609. 83                                 | 1431935. 77                                 | 1882328.45                                  |

3125.771 3236.625 3759.652

External Rotational Contributions

| 298.15    |
|-----------|
| 29.61     |
| 2.98      |
| 0.89      |
| 659357.20 |
|           |

Hf298 S298 Cps: - 34. 4224594548 320. 868241801 49. 0659234687 49. 3005705213 60. 4925197974 70. 1633680309 78. 2071832506 90. 5710189833 99. 58780681 113. 520920626 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^{*}(T/1000)^{n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 2. 35e+11 3. 28 19.20  $r = A*T^n*exp(-Ea/R/T)$ Temperature Ra 3. 35e+01 3. 28 19.20 Fit Rate Rate 3.90e-05 3.65e-05 298.00 300.00 4.87e-05 4.63e-05 400.00 3.11e-01 3.74e-01 8.96e+01 9.75e+01 500.00 600.00 4. 54e+03 4.44e+03 800.00 7. 25e+05 6. 40e+05 1000.00 1.68e+07 1.49e+07 1500.00 1.26e+09 1. 41e+09 Rate Data: Arrhenius format  $r = A^* exp(-Ea/R/T)$ Temperature 1.39e+12 22.80 Rate Fit Rate 3.90e-05 2.66e-05 298.00 300.00 4.87e-05 3.43e-05 3. 11e-01 400.00 4.87e-01 500.00 8.96e+01 1.51e+02 600.00 4. 54e+03 6. 92e+03

| 800.00   | 7. 25e+05 | 8. 24e+05 |
|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1000.00  | 1.68e+07  | 1.45e+07  |
| 1500. 00 | 1.26e+09  | 6.65e+08  |

### a-RO2↔a-Qp2

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:    |           |           |           |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)    | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000       | 1.0716    | - 0. 0424 | - 2. 0618 |
|              |           |           |           |
| 12.000       | 1.3587    | -0.4612   | - 0. 6030 |
| 12.000       | 2.8529    | - 0. 4049 | - 0. 2810 |
| 12.000       | 0.5706    | 0.4284    | 0.3482    |
| 12.000       | - 0. 9809 | 0. 3513   | 0. 4029   |
|              |           |           |           |
| 15. 995      | - 1. 4984 | - 0. 7425 | - 0. 4518 |
| 15.995       | - 1. 2382 | - 1. 9475 | 0. 0134   |
| 15.995       | 1.0973    | 1.2517    | 1.0608    |
| 12.000       | - 1. 4449 | 0. 1376   | 1.8396    |
|              |           |           |           |
| 12.000       | - 1. 5712 | 1.6102    | -0.2279   |
| 1.008        | 0. 9935   | - 1. 4843 | - 0. 4735 |
| 1.008        | 1.6408    | - 0. 6803 | - 2. 7418 |
| 1.008        | 0.0155    | -0.1419   | - 2. 3152 |
|              |           |           |           |
| 1.008        | 1.3801    | 0. 9931   | - 2. 2328 |
| 1.008        | 3.0484    | - 0. 7183 | 0.7464    |
| 1.008        | 3. 4063   | - 1. 0626 | - 0. 9558 |
| 1.008        | 3. 2352   | 0.6119    | - 0. 3921 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 0899 | - 0. 8216 | 2. 2151   |
|              |           |           |           |
| 1.008        | - 1. 0402 | 0. 9369   | 2.4598    |
| 1.008        | - 2. 5359 | 0.1549    | 1.8832    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 2013 | 2.4811    | 0. 3137   |
| 1.008        | - 2. 6607 | 1.5817    | - 0. 1667 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 2814 | 1.6999    | - 1. 2763 |
| 1.000        | 1. 2014   | 1.0000    | 1. 2705   |
| <b>г</b> •   | ( 1)      |           |           |
| Frequenci es | (cm-1):   |           |           |
| -47. 116     | 79. 506   | 140. 941  |           |
| 198. 995     | 203. 110  | 214.058   |           |
| 217. 528     | 252.072   | 256.776   |           |
|              |           |           |           |
| 273.716      | 302.936   | 321.048   |           |
| 337.878      | 370. 311  | 392.684   |           |
| 453. 781     | 554. 511  | 602.545   |           |
| 693.846      | 759.419   | 796. 359  |           |
| 863. 549     | 905. 254  | 947.034   |           |
|              |           |           |           |
| 953. 535     | 976. 107  | 1026. 275 |           |
| 1047. 995    | 1105. 671 | 1128. 806 |           |
| 1146. 968    | 1189.802  | 1201.234  |           |
| 1220. 122    | 1241.699  | 1309. 328 |           |
| 1379.082     | 1391.048  | 1402. 231 |           |
|              |           |           |           |
| 1410. 357    | 1420. 128 | 1474. 578 |           |
| 1482.752     | 1484. 591 | 1486. 254 |           |
| 1492.047     | 1500. 420 | 1510. 695 |           |
| 1514.783     | 1773. 265 | 3017.105  |           |
| 3024. 734    | 3034. 048 | 3038. 237 |           |
|              |           |           |           |
| 3038.767     | 3082.405  | 3092.946  |           |
| 3097.963     | 3104. 140 | 3107.879  |           |
| 3114. 230    | 3121. 854 | 3132. 344 |           |
|              |           |           |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 290.4326892 470.404960158 541.613904255 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions   |             |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400.00      | 500.00      | 600.00      |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 40. 83 40. 86  | 42.29       | 43. 40      | 44. 30      |
| 45. 73 46. 84 48. 85<br>Cp 4. 97 4. 97  | 4.97        | 4.97        | 4.97        |
| 4. 97 4. 97 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48 1. 49   | 1.99        | 2.48        | 2.98        |
| 3. 97<br>4. 97<br>7. 45<br>qtrans<br>6. 86e+07<br>6. 98e+07<br>8. 10e+08<br>1. 42e+09<br>3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature<br>298. 15<br>Entropy<br>40. 83<br>Cp<br>4. 97<br>dH<br>1. 48<br>qtrans<br>6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08   | 2. 50e+08   | 3.95e+08    |
| *   |             |             |             |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00     | 500. 00     | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 35. 06 35. 31  | 47.94       | 60.14       | 71.81       |
| 93. 33 112. 56 152. 51<br>Cp 38. 22 38. 45  | 49. 70      | 59.72       | 68.18       |
| 81. 30 90. 85 105. 38<br>dH 5. 79 5. 87   | 10. 29      | 15. 78      | 22.19       |
| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$  | 7.19e+04    | 1.77e+06    | 4.08e+07    |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 35.07<br>Cp 38.24<br>dH 5.80<br>q_vib 2.61e+03   |             |             |             |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00     | 500. 00     | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 29. 60 29. 62  | 30. 48      | 31.14       | 31.69       |
| 32. 54 33. 21 34. 42<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98  | 2.98        | 2.98        | 2. 98       |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89   | 1.19        | 1.49        | 1.79        |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 656624. 30 663245. 69<br>2888201. 79 4036384. 71 7415312. 22   | 1021133. 54 | 1427077. 50 | 1875942. 09 |

| External | Rotati onal | Contri buti ons |
|----------|-------------|-----------------|
| Temperat | ure 2       | 298.15          |
| Entr     | ору         | 29.60           |
|          | Čp          | 2.98            |
|          | dĤ          | 0.89            |

### Hf298 S298 Cps: -79.9458742149 106.880353207 46.1684389183 46.3992361566 57.6510235177 67.6641872064 76.127522983 89.248697947 98.794953507 113.327424805Molecule 2:

| Geometry:    |           |              |           |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)    | X(ang)    | Y(ang)       | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000       | 0. 3014   | - 0. 3569    | 0. 6441   |
| 15.995       | 0.3832    | - 1. 0221    | 1.6520    |
| 12.000       | 1.5038    | 0.3469       | 0.0258    |
| 1.008        | 1. 4861   | 0. 1328      | - 1. 0457 |
| 12.000       | - 1. 1136 | - 0. 1862    | 0.0105    |
| 12.000       | 1. 3692   | 1.8762       | 0. 1964   |
| 1.008        | 2. 2530   | 2.3678       | - 0. 2179 |
| 1.008        | 0. 4933   | 2. 2592      | - 0. 3265 |
| 1.008        | 1. 3025   | 2. 1451      | 1. 2550   |
| 12.000       | 2.8049    | - 0. 1752    | 0. 6394   |
| 1.008        | 2.9008    | - 1. 2548    | 0. 5064   |
| 1.008        | 3. 6630   | 0. 3105      | 0. 1676   |
| 1.008        | 2.8360    | 0. 0257      | 1. 7123   |
| 12.000       | - 1. 7786 | - 1. 5167    | - 0. 1291 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 2746 | - 2. 3192    | - 0. 6494 |
| 1.008        | - 2. 7216 | - 1. 7164    | 0.3618    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 1729 | - 0. 6654    | - 2. 7343 |
| 12.000       | - 1. 9264 | 0. 7661      | 0. 8954   |
| 1.008        | - 1. 9690 | 0. 3523      | 1.9036    |
| 1.008        | - 2. 9379 | 0.8655       | 0. 4971   |
| 15, 995      | - 0. 4070 | - 0. 3263    | - 2. 2502 |
| 15.995       | - 1. 0608 | 0.5144       | - 1. 2635 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 4660 | 1. 7536      | 0. 9365   |
| 1.000        | 1. 1000   | 1.7000       | 0.0000    |
| Frequenci es | (cm-1)·   |              |           |
| Imaginary Fr |           | - 151 505125 | 5928      |

| Frequenci es   | (cm-1):   |                  |
|----------------|-----------|------------------|
| Imaginary F    | requency: | - 151. 505125928 |
| <b>56. 381</b> | 75. 548   | 157.934          |
| 192.267        | 212.577   | 222.693          |
| 231.368        | 248.914   | 269.351          |
| 295. 339       | 301.609   | 322.446          |
| 335.165        | 364.853   | 394. 508         |
| 453.493        | 513. 622  | 560. 202         |
| 626.656        | 695.872   | 760. 334         |
| 839.058        | 874.952   | 896. 343         |
| 920. 566       | 946. 524  | 960. 044         |
| 975.085        | 1035.966  | 1097. 721        |
| 1125. 377      |           | 1195.362         |
| 1222. 993      | 1227.636  | 1313. 586        |
| 1355. 453      | 1378. 985 | 1394.888         |
| 1399. 281      | 1417. 922 | 1441. 838        |
| 1482.137       | 1484. 558 | 1487.841         |
| 1496. 300      |           |                  |
| 1766. 717      | 3014. 709 | 3022.405         |
| 3035. 375      | 3055.634  | 3077. 387        |
|                | 3097.081  | 3110.069         |
| 3115. 024      | 3123. 465 | 3136. 224        |
| 3249. 628      | 3746. 324 |                  |
|                |           |                  |

External Symmetry = 1.0 Principal Moments of Inertia = 294.766674423 474.770772249 535.915144647

| Electronic Degeneracy = $2$   |            |             |            |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions   |            |             |            |
| Temperature         298.00         300.00           800.00         1000.00         1500.00  | 400. 00    | 500.00      | 600.00     |
| Entropy 40. 83 40. 86<br>45. 73 46. 84 48. 85   | 42.29      | 43.40       | 44. 30     |
| Cp 4. 97 4. 97  | 4.97       | 4. 97       | 4.97       |
| 4. 97       4. 97       4. 97         dH       1. 48       1. 49         3. 97       4. 97       7. 45  | 1.99       | 2.48        | 2.98       |
| 3. 97       4. 97       7. 43         qtrans       6. 86e+07       6. 98e+07         8. 10e+08       1. 42e+09       3. 90e+09         Transl ati onal       Contributi ons         Temperature       298. 15         Entropy       40. 83         Cp       4. 97         dH       1. 48         qtrans       6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08  | 2. 50e+08   | 3. 95e+08  |
| Vibrational Contributions   |            |             |            |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600.00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 34. 77 35. 03  | 47. 91     | 60. 25      | 71.96      |
| 93. 38 112. 39 151. 71<br>Cp 39. 10 39. 34  | 50. 49     | 60. 15      | 68.19      |
| 80. 58         89. 61         103. 57           dH         5. 84         5. 92  | 10. 42     | 15. 97      | 22. 41     |
| 37. 37       54. 46       103. 21         q_vi b       2. 08e+03       2. 22e+03         1. 58e+10       4. 59e+12       1. 31e+18  | 5. 97e+04  | 1.53e+06    | 3.66e+07   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 34.79<br>Cp 39.12<br>dH 5.84<br>q_vib 2.09e+03   |            |             |            |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00  | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600. 00    |
| 800.00       1000.00       1500.00         Entropy       29.61       29.63         32.56       33.22       34.43         Cn       2.98       2.98   | 30. 49     | 31.16       | 31.70      |
| S2. 50         S3. 22         S4. 43           Cp         2. 98         2. 98           2. 98         2. 98         2. 98   | 2. 98      | 2. 98       | 2.98       |
| dH 0.89 0.89  | 1.19       | 1.49        | 1.79       |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 661062. 54 667728. 68<br>2907723. 66 4063667. 35 7465433. 62   | 1028035.56 | 1436723. 37 | 1888621.92 |

External Rotational Contributions Temperature 298.15

| Entropy  | 29.61     |
|----------|-----------|
| Čp<br>dH | 2.98      |
| dĤ       | 0.89      |
| q_rot    | 661561.72 |

Hf 298 S298 Cps: -53. 8591459214 213. 489634776 47. 0512606318 47. 2846954318 58. 4367327368 68. 0950783782 76. 1411346525 88. 5242533579 97. 560146664 111. 518929105Mol ecul e 3: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

### Geometry:

| Geometry:       |           |                  |           |
|-----------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)       | X(ang)    | Y(ang)           | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000          | 1.0052    | - 0. 0262        | - 2. 0957 |
| 12.000          | 1. 3246   | - 0. 4657        | - 0. 6503 |
| 12.000          | 2.8293    | -0.4401          | - 0. 3736 |
| 12.000          | 0. 5832   | 0.4061           | 0. 3557   |
| 12.000          | - 0. 9722 | 0.3806           | 0.4074    |
| 15.995          | - 1. 5477 | - 0. 6880        | - 0. 3776 |
| 15.995          | - 1. 1848 | - 1. 9654        | 0.2106    |
| 15.995          | 1.1532    | 1.1612           | 1.1100    |
| 12.000          | - 1. 4473 | 0. 3271          | 1.8174    |
| 12.000          | - 1. 4931 | 1.6468           | - 0. 3103 |
| 1.008           | 0.9407    | - 1. 4814        | - 0. 5234 |
| 1.008           | 1.5756    | - 0. 6413        | - 2. 7960 |
| 1.008           | - 0. 0532 | -0.1479          | - 2. 3238 |
| 1.008           | 1.2913    | 1.0174           | - 2. 2585 |
| 1.008           | 3.0507    | - 0. 7609        | 0.6462    |
| 1.008           | 3. 3490   | - 1. 1049        | - 1. 0683 |
| 1.008           | 3. 2290   | 0. 5695          | - 0. 4924 |
| 1.008           | - 2. 4973 | 0. 1331          | 2.0019    |
| 1.008           | - 0. 7957 | 0. 6204          | 2. 6266   |
| 1.008           | - 1. 9589 | - 2. 1471        | 0. 7616   |
| 1.008           | - 1. 0769 | $\tilde{2}.5240$ | 0. 1852   |
| 1.008           | - 2. 5822 | 1. 6777          | - 0. 2519 |
| 1.008           | - 1. 1943 | 1. 6512          | - 1. 3600 |
| 1.000           | 1. 10 10  | 1.0012           | 1.0000    |
| Frequenci es    | (cm-1):   |                  |           |
| <b>6</b> 1. 902 | 72. 552   | 161.793          |           |
| 194. 022        | 205. 333  | 215.944          |           |
| 218. 270        | 227.709   | 246.408          |           |
| 261.698         | 273.602   | 302.741          |           |
| 312.174         | 329.975   | 364.883          |           |
| 401.120         | 462.205   | 520. 182         |           |
| 566. 356        | 601.978   | 687.730          |           |
| 759.655         | 844. 425  | 876.733          |           |
| 913. 391        | 936. 583  | 945.991          |           |
| 973. 244        | 995. 022  | 1027.227         |           |
| 1055.010        | 1117.664  | 1133. 278        |           |
| 1192.825        | 1211.601  | 1237.460         |           |
| 1315. 281       | 1358. 460 | 1376.075         |           |
| 1388. 401       | 1398. 112 | 1417.171         |           |
| 1425. 133       | 1477.691  | 1483. 288        |           |
| 1486. 267       | 1491.836  | 1500. 654        |           |
| 1518. 453       | 1773. 901 | 3015.352         |           |
| 3022.649        | 3032. 782 | 3052.944         |           |
| 3077.487        | 3090. 799 | 3095.834         |           |
| 3107. 128       | 3117.240  | 3123. 731        |           |
| 3131.600        | 3259. 319 | 3746. 965        |           |
| 01011000        | 0.200.010 | 27 101 000       |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 293.207035407 475.362187451 535.059192039 Electronic Degeneracy = 2Thermodynamic Data Translational Contributions Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 1000.00 800. **0**0 1500.00 Entropy 40.83 40.86 42.29 43.40 44.30 45.73 46.84 48.85 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 Ср 4.97 4.97 4.97 1.48 1.99 2.48 2.98 dH 1.49 3.97 4.97 7.45 6.86e+07 6. 98e+07 1.43e+08 2.50e+08 3.95e+08 gtrans 1. 42e+09 8. 10e+08 3.90e+09 Translational Contributions Temperature 298.15 Entropy 40.83 4.97 Ср dĤ 1.48 qtrans 6.87e+07 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 800.00 1000.00 1500.00 Entropy 36.97 37.25 50.68 63.46 75.53 97.53 **116.99** 157.11 41.01 41.24 52.45 62.14 70.19 Ср 91.62 82.58 105.57 6.21 6.29 10.99 16.74 23.38 dH 38.74 56.23 105.98 vi b 3. 34e+03 3. 59e+03 1.17e+05 3.56e+06 9.80e+07 5. 39e+10 1. 90e+13 7.87e+18 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.15 Entropy 36.99 41.02 Cp dĤ 6.22 3. 36e+03 q\_vi b External Rotational Contributions 400.00 298.00 300.00 500.00 600.00 Temperature 800.00 1000.00 1500.00 **Entropy** 29.61 29.63 30.48 31.15 31.69 33. 22 32.55 34.42 2.98 2.98 2.98 2.98 2.98 Ср 2.98 2.98 2.98 0.89 0.89 1.19 1.49 1.79 dH 2.38 2.98 4.47 q\_rot 659194.8 2899508.33 4052186.08 659194.81 1025131.00 1432664.13 665842.12 1883285.91 7444341.18

External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 29.61     |
| ČĎ          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 659692.58 |
|             |           |

Hf298 S298 Cps: -46. 5574661179 322. 293926605 48. 9543302547 49. 1893351467 60. 3978173105 70. 0839492159 78. 142220668 90. 5304596092 99. 5639975706 113. 515686605 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^{*}(T/1000)^{n*}exp(-Ea/R/T) 2.17e+13 0.87$  $r = A^{*}T^{n*}exp(-Ea/R/T) 5.22e+10 0.87 18.11$ 18.11 Fit Rate 3.94e-01 Temperature Rate 298. 00 300. 00 3.99e-01 4.91e-01 4.86e-01 400.00 1. 21e+03 1.24e+03 500.00 1. 41e+05 1.44e+05 600.00 3. 51e+06 3. 52e+06 2.02e+08 800.00 2.06e+08 2. 39e+09 7. 10e+10 2. 46e+09 1000.00 1500.00 6. 94e+10  $r = A^* \exp(-Ea/R/T)$  3. 49e+13 Temperature 19.07

| $- \pi c_{A} p(-La/R)$ | 1) 0.4004 | 10        | 10 |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|----|
| Temperature            | Rate      | Fit Rate  |    |
| 298.00                 | 3. 99e-01 | 3. 62e-01 |    |
| 300.00                 | 4.91e-01  | 4. 49e-01 |    |
| 400.00                 | 1.21e+03  | 1. 33e+03 |    |
| 500.00                 | 1. 41e+05 | 1.62e+05  |    |
| 600.00                 | 3. 51e+06 | 3.96e+06  |    |
| 800.00                 | 2.06e+08  | 2.16e+08  |    |
| 1000.00                | 2.46e+09  | 2.37e+09  |    |
| 1500.00                | 6. 94e+10 | 5.81e+10  |    |
|                        |           |           |    |

Molecule 1:

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| <b>a</b> .           |                        |                      |                                      |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Geometry:            | V                      | V(                   | $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})$ |
| Mass(amu)            | X(ang)                 | Y(ang)               | Z(ang)                               |
| 12.000               | -1.4163                | -0.4623              | -0.4502                              |
| 1.008                | - 1. 6360              | -0.6021              | 0.6123                               |
| 12.000               | 0.0970                 | -0.4969              | -0.6117                              |
| 15.995               | 0.6481                 | -1.1467              | - 1. 4702                            |
| 12.000               | 1.0114                 | 0.3632               | 0.3050                               |
| 12.000               | - 1. 9493              | 0. 9283              | -0.8599                              |
| 1.008                | - 3. 0356              | 0.9492               | -0.7461                              |
| 1.008                | - 1. 5329              | 1.7241<br>1.1366     | -0.2413                              |
| 1.008<br>12.000      | - 1. 7157<br>- 2. 0711 | - 1. 5816            | - 1. 9081<br>- 1. 2613               |
| 12.000               | - 2. 0711<br>- 1. 8532 | - 1. 3816            | - 1. 2013                            |
| 1.008                | - 1. 8532              | - 2. 5617            | - 0. 9541                            |
| 1.008                | - 3. 1547              | - 1. 5606            | - 1. 1216                            |
| 12.000               | 2. 0790                | - 0. 5132            | 0. 9512                              |
| 1. 008               | 2.6329                 | - 1. 0256            | 0.9312<br>0.1651                     |
| 1.008                | 2. 7611                | 0. 1056              | 1. 5380                              |
| 1.008                | 1.6189                 | - 1. 2528            | 1. 6055                              |
| 12.000               | 1.6024                 | 1. 5129              | - 0. 5075                            |
| 1. 008               | 0.8187                 | 2. 1652              | - 0. 8967                            |
| 1.008                | 2. 1624                | 1.0987               | - 1. 3463                            |
| 15. 995              | - 0. 2429              | 0. 2347              | 2. 2830                              |
| 15. 995              | 0. 2288                | 1. 0481              | 1. 3601                              |
| 1.008                | 2. 2727                | 2. 1051              | 0. 1182                              |
| 11 000               |                        |                      | 0.1102                               |
| Frequenci es         | (cm-1):                |                      |                                      |
| <b>^</b> 47. 235     | 81.745                 | 140. 353             |                                      |
| 198. 192             | 204. 347               | 212.757              |                                      |
| 225.879              | 253. 472               | 258. 311             |                                      |
| 272.242              | 302.130                | 322.483              |                                      |
| 337.290              | 370. 021               | 392.625              |                                      |
| 453.814              | 553. 579               | 603. 218             |                                      |
| 694.052              | 758.944                | 797.795              |                                      |
| 863.711              | 905. 573               | 948. 582             |                                      |
| 954.346              | 976. 361               | 1025.817             |                                      |
| 1047.862             | 1105.059               | 1129. 243            |                                      |
| 1147.531             | 1190.461               | 1201.644             |                                      |
| 1221.272             | 1242.384               | 1307.203             |                                      |
| 1379.673             | 1390. 740              | 1402.664             |                                      |
| 1411.040             | 1420. 703              | 1474.449             |                                      |
| 1483.158             | 1485.046               | 1486.733             |                                      |
| 1492.327             | 1500.913               | 1510.355             |                                      |
| 1514.455             | 1773.586               | 3016.611             |                                      |
| 3025.165             | 3034.004               | 3037.859             |                                      |
| 3038.162             | 3082.231               | 3093.306             |                                      |
| 3098.559<br>3114.059 | 3104. 035<br>3122. 001 | 3107.674<br>3132.496 |                                      |
| 5114.059             | 5122.001               | 3132. 490            |                                      |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 290.432672919 470.403807533 541.616804745 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

| 8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298. 15<br>Entropy 40. 83<br>Cp 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48<br>qtrans 6. 87e+07   | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08        | 500.00<br>43.40<br>4.97<br>2.48<br>2.50e+08   | 600.00<br>44.30<br>4.97<br>2.98<br>3.95e+08        |
|---|--|---|--|
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 34.93 35.19<br>93.19 112.42 152.37<br>Cp 38.20 38.43<br>81.29 90.84 105.38<br>dH 5.78 5.86<br>37.21 54.49 104.03<br>$q_vib$ 2.49e+03 2.65e+03<br>1.59e+10 4.58e+12 1.39e+18<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 34.95<br>Cp 38.22<br>dH 5.79<br>$q_vib$ 2.50e+03  | 400.00<br>47.81<br>49.69<br>10.27<br>6.85e+04      | 500.00<br>60.01<br>59.70<br>15.76<br>1.68e+06 | 600.00<br>71.67<br>68.17<br>22.17<br>3.86e+07      |
| $\begin{array}{ccccccc} & \text{External Rotational Contributions} \\ & \text{Temperature} & 298.00 & 300.00 \\ & 800.00 & 1000.00 & 1500.00 \\ & & \text{Entropy} & 29.60 & 29.62 \\ & 32.54 & 33.21 & 34.42 \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & &$ | 400. 00<br>30. 48<br>2. 98<br>1. 19<br>1021134. 99 | 2. 98<br>1. 49                                | 600. 00<br>31. 69<br>2. 98<br>1. 79<br>1875944. 77 |

External Rotational Contributions Temperature 298.15 Entropy 29.60 Cp 2.98

| dH    | 0.89      |
|-------|-----------|
| q_rot | 657121.07 |

Hf298 S298 Cps: -79. 956146027 106. 756361929 46. 1477502705 46. 3786440485 57. 6340104506 67. 6498613169 76. 1155356634 89. 2403478346 98. 7890202392 113. 324521705Mol ecul e 2: 

| Geometry:   |
|-------------|
| uconicci y. |

| ucomeery. |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000    | - 1. 2534 | 0. 6073   | - 0. 3526 |
| 1.008     | - 1. 2663 | 0. 0832   | 0.8934    |
| 12.000    | - 0. 0035 | - 0. 1156 | - 0. 7993 |
| 15. 995   | 0. 1467   | - 0. 5132 | - 1. 9350 |
| 12.000    | 1.0767    | - 0. 4099 | 0. 2762   |
| 12.000    | - 1. 0693 | 2.0890    | - 0. 0703 |
| 1.008     | - 1. 9854 | 2.5165    | 0.3437    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 2526 | 2.2691    | 0.6304    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 8424 | 2.6228    | - 1. 0028 |
| 12.000    | - 2. 5007 | 0. 2158   | - 1. 1083 |
| 1.008     | - 2. 4136 | 0. 5337   | - 2. 1545 |
| 1.008     | - 2. 6481 | - 0. 8661 | - 1. 1141 |
| 1.008     | - 3. 3846 | 0. 6917   | - 0. 6781 |
| 12.000    | 1.3103    | - 1. 9196 | 0.3694    |
| 1.008     | 1.5677    | - 2. 3169 | - 0. 6131 |
| 1.008     | 2.1259    | - 2. 1199 | 1.0675    |
| 1.008     | 0. 4109   | - 2. 4194 | 0.7302    |
| 12.000    | 2.3594    | 0.3602    | - 0. 0326 |
| 1.008     | 2.1797    | 1.4368    | - 0. 0606 |
| 1.008     | 2.7438    | 0.0432    | - 1. 0030 |
| 15. 995   | - 0. 6655 | - 0. 3931 | 1.8167    |
| 15. 995   | 0.6206    | 0. 1200   | 1.5471    |
| 1.008     | 3. 1095   | 0. 1535   | 0. 7336   |
|           |           |           |           |

| <b>Frequencies</b> | (cm-1):   |                  |
|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Imaginary Fi       | requency: | - 1892. 78097631 |
| <b>55. 483</b>     | 122. 798  | 160. 390         |
| 192.356            | 201.160   | 213.963          |
|                    |           | 263. 633         |
| 285.976            |           | 323. 639         |
| 354.762            |           | 471. 427         |
|                    |           |                  |
|                    |           | 599.985          |
|                    |           | 827.608          |
|                    |           | 945. 730         |
| 947.456            | 958. 905  | 992. 386         |
| 1025.001           | 1032.658  | 1062.997         |
| 1128.870           | 1182.656  | 1195. 198        |
| 1222. 893          | 1237.422  | 1264.967         |
| 1387.675           |           |                  |
| 1407. 985          |           |                  |
| 1407. 985          |           |                  |
|                    |           |                  |
| 1490.094           |           |                  |
| 1579. 252          |           |                  |
| 2999. 437          | 3029.860  | 3034. 254        |
| 3061.713           | 3065.415  | 3097.314         |
| 3099. 623          | 3104.440  | 3107.557         |
| 3114.849           | 3121. 329 |                  |
| 5111.510           |           |                  |
|                    |           |                  |

| External Symmetry = 1.0<br>Principal Moments of Inertia = 286.393<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2  | 3415081 448                                   | . 764000938                                   | 510. 31755153                                 |
|---|---|---|---|
| $\begin{array}{ccccccc} Thermodynamic Data \\ Translational Contributions \\ Temperature 298.00 300.00 \\ 800.00 1000.00 1500.00 \\ Entropy 40.83 40.86 \\ 45.73 46.84 48.85 \\ Cp 4.97 4.97 \\ 4.97 4.97 4.97 \\ dH 1.48 1.49 \\ 3.97 4.97 7.45 \\ qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07 \\ 8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09 \\ Translational Contributions \\ Temperature 298.15 \\ Entropy 40.83 \\ Cp 4.97 \\ dH 1.48 \\ qtrans 6.87e+07 \\ \end{array}$ | 400.00  | 500.00  | 600.00  |
|   | 42.29   | 43.40   | 44.30   |
|   | 4.97  | 4.97  | 4.97  |
|   | 1.99  | 2.48  | 2.98  |
|   | 1.43e+08                                      | 2.50e+08                                      | 3.95e+08                                      |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 32.83 33.09<br>90.96 110.12 149.79<br>Cp 37.81 38.04<br>81.10 90.42 104.42<br>dH 5.58 5.65<br>36.95 54.17 103.35<br>$q_vib$ 1.22e+03 1.29e+03<br>6.10e+09 1.69e+12 4.76e+17<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 32.85<br>Cp 37.82<br>dH 5.58<br>$q_vib$ 1.22e+03                            | 400.00<br>45.64<br>49.54<br>10.05<br>3.05e+04 | 500.00<br>57.81<br>59.64<br>15.53<br>7.06e+05 | 600.00<br>69.47<br>68.11<br>21.93<br>1.56e+07 |
| $\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$  | 400. 00                                       | 500. 00                                       | 600. 00                                       |
|   | 30. 36  | 31. 02  | 31. 57  |
|   | 2. 98   | 2. 98   | 2. 98   |
|   | 1. 19   | 1. 49   | 1. 79   |
|   | 961368. 12                                    | 1343552. 79                                   | 1766146. 01                                   |

External Rotational Contributions Temperature 298.15 Entropy 29.48 2.98 Cp dĤ 0.89 q\_rot 618659.87 Hf298 S298 Cps: - 39. 9057229989 211. 295135125 45. 755540153 45. 993009228 57. 4848609287 67. 59297463 76. 0624752141 89. 0470263578 98. 3687062156 112. 364995129Mol ecul e 3: Geometry: X(ang) -1.1971 Y(ang) - 0. 2753 Mass(amu) Z(ang) - 0. 9954 12.000 1.008 -1.4197 0.2663 1.9561 12.000 0.1371 -0.5953 -0.5173 0.6688 -1.6579 -0.8566 15.995 12.000 0.9713 0.3724 0.3709 12.000 -1.9150 1.0259 -0.8127 1.008 -2.9088 0.8527 -0.3774 1.008 -1.3827 1.7387 -0.1903 1.4860 1.008 -2.1053 -1.7919 -1.9054 -1.8093 12.000 -1.3102 1.008 -2.0713 -0.9454 -2.8319 -2.2336 1.008 -1.3327 -1.8574 -2.8996 -1.5147 -1.3930 1.008 12.000 2.0690 -0.3917 1.1114 1.008 2.7175 -0.9091 0.4061 1.008 2.6566 0.3137 1.7030 1.008 1.6308 -1.1333 1.7784 12.000 1.5658 1.4917 -0.4958 - 1. 0337 1.008 0.7958 2.0470 1.008 2.2516 1.0550 -1.2242 15.995 -0.4936 0.1263 2.1967 1.3193 15.995 0.1532 1.0910 1.008 2.1210 2.1896 0.1346 Frequencies (cm-1): 41.602 66.719 81.148 110.014 144.889 173.492 194.886 220.164 239.110 280.944 251.509 334.116 354. 219 494. 394 350.216 380.988 407.677 534.103 572.626 651.295 709.364 921.798 835.589 889.519 942.664 946.785 953.329 960.725 1018.881 1039.582 1077.442 1178.800 1216.505 1237.360 1270.919 1351.121 1360. 347 1388.547 1394.210 1404.630 1411.799 1458.149 1481.574 1469.641 1473.448 1492.435 1504.758 1490.945 1566.720 1510.296 2973.137 3002.357 3019.745 2983.528 3029.041 3041.025 3101.086

3116.073 3132.668 3107.157 3132.886 3151.021 3752.616 External Symmetry = 1.0 Principal Moments of Inertia = 294.388029391 472.098246464 542.169390049 Electronic Degeneracy = 2Thermodynamic Data Translational Contributions Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 800.00 1000.00 1500.00 Entropy 40.83 40.86 42.29 43.40 44.30 45.73 46.84 48.85 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 Ср 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 dH 1.48 1.49 1.99 2.48 2.98 3.97 4.97 7.45 6.86e+07 6. 98e+07 1.43e+08 2.50e+08 3.95e+08 qtrans 8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3.90e+09 Translational Contributions 298.15 Temperature Entropy 40.83 4.97 Cp dĤ 1.48 gtrans 6.87e+07 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 Temperature 800.00 1000.00 1500.00 Entropy 40.73 41.00 54.18 66.76 78.68 119.89 100.51 159.96 40.25 51.52 61.26 40.48 **69**. **46** Ср 82.13 91.36 105.52 dH 6.39 6.47 11.08 16.74 23.30 55.96 38.54 105.65 1.64e+04 1.76e+04 6.10e+05 1.87e+07 5.13e+08 vib 2.74e+11 9. 38e+13 3.69e+19 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.15 40.75 Entropy 40.27 Cp dĤ 6.40  $q_vi b$ 1.65e+04 External Rotational Contributions 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 Temperature 800. **0**0 1000.00 1500.00 Entropy 29.62 29.64 30.49 31.16 31.70 32.56 33.23 34.43 2.98 2.98 2.98 2.98 2.98 Ср 2.98 2.98 2.98 0.89 dH 0.89 1.19 1.49 1.79 2.38 2.98 4.47 662608.67 669290.41 1030440.00 1440083.67 1893039.15 rot q 2914524.43 4073171.72 7482894.27

External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 29.62     |
| Ĉp          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 663109.03 |

Hf298 S298 Cps: - 47. 3143933986 323. 866893729 48. 2000375189 48. 4278779019 59. 4667540111 69. 2117288736 77. 4098919342 90. 0816057774 99. 3101230528 113. 465388756 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^*(T/1000)^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  6.25e+10 5.54  $r = A^*T^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  1.45e-06 5.54 2 Temperature Rate Fit Rate 22.47 22.47 298.00 2.95e-09 2.54e-09 3. 39e-09 300.00 3.81e-09 1.36e-04 400.00 2.06e-04 500.00 1.69e-01 2.03e-01 600.00 2.57e+01 2. 41e+01 1. 74e+04 800.00 1. 32e+04 1000.00 9.82e+05 7.69e+05 1500.00 2. 47e+08 3.15e+08

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Rate Data: Arrhenius format

| $r = A^* exp(-Ea/R/$ | ∕T) 1. 27e+ | -12       | 28.54 |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------|
| Temperature          | Rate        | Fit Rate  |       |
| 298.00               | 2.95e-09    | 1. 48e-09 |       |
| 300.00               | 3.81e-09    | 2.05e-09  |       |
| 400.00               | 1. 36e-04   | 3. 23e-04 |       |
| 500.00               |             | 4. 25e-01 |       |
| 600.00               | 2.57e+01    | 5. 10e+01 |       |
| 800.00               | 1.74e+04    | 2. 03e+04 |       |
| 1000.00              | 9.82e+05    | 7. 34e+05 |       |
| 1500.00              | 2. 47e+08   | 8.82e+07  |       |
|                      |             |           |       |

## a-Qp1 $\rightarrow$ a-M1

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:    |           |           |           |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)    | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000       | 0. 3683   | 0. 6872   | 0.0921    |
| 15.995       | 0.5412    | 1.8593    | 0. 3326   |
| 12.000       | 1.5505    | - 0. 2792 | -0.1710   |
| 1.008        | 1.3378    | - 1. 1965 | 0. 3825   |
| 12.000       | - 1. 0867 | 0.1568    | - 0. 0262 |
| 12.000       | 1. 5695   | - 0. 5923 | - 1. 6314 |
| 1.008        | 2.0520    | 0.0910    | - 2. 3211 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 5312 | - 2. 2381 | 1. 4714   |
| 1.008        | 1.0121    | - 1. 4294 | - 2. 0289 |
| 12.000       | 2.8631    | 0. 3455   | 0. 3168   |
| 1.008        | 2. 8153   | 0. 5730   | 1. 3842   |
| 1.008        | 3. 6909   | - 0. 3457 | 0. 1443   |
| 1.008        | 3. 0705   | 1. 2788   | - 0. 2101 |
| 12.000       | - 1. 9363 | 0. 6865   | 1. 1306   |
| 1.008        | - 1. 8891 | 1.7748    | 1. 1483   |
| 1.008        | - 2. 9755 | 0. 3731   | 1.0009    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 5672 | 0. 3137   | 2. 0863   |
| 12.000       | - 1. 6597 | 0. 5894   | - 1. 3831 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 6223 | 1.6773    | - 1. 4548 |
| 1.008        | - 2. 6968 | 0. 2583   | - 1. 4698 |
| 15. 995      | - 0. 6998 | - 1. 8554 | 1. 1597   |
| 15. 995      | - 1. 1319 | - 1. 2812 | - 0. 1073 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 0832 | 0. 1631   | - 2. 2054 |
| 1.000        |           | 0. 1001   | 2. 200 1  |
| Frequenci es | (cm-1):   |           |           |
| 48. 291      | 61.944    | 154.846   |           |
| 184. 812     | 201. 235  | 209. 292  |           |
| 215.041      | 237.740   | 246. 744  |           |
| 251.420      | 284. 531  | 292.965   |           |
| 299. 681     | 338. 426  | 373. 217  |           |
| 402.149      | 458.017   | 531. 597  |           |
| 560. 901     | 588. 242  | 686. 036  |           |
| 760. 866     | 829.622   | 883. 528  |           |
| 906. 784     | 921.732   | 934.624   |           |
| 946. 632     | 1019. 271 | 1031.099  |           |
| 1053. 973    | 1135. 652 | 1157.472  |           |
| 1189. 237    | 1210. 170 | 1245. 168 |           |
| 1285.632     | 1347. 581 | 1365.477  |           |
| 1386. 789    | 1405. 851 | 1407.777  |           |
| 1444. 894    | 1473.634  | 1485.093  |           |
| 1487. 885    | 1491.101  | 1491.650  |           |
| 1514. 254    | 1768. 272 | 3025.088  |           |
| 3028. 265    | 3031.894  | 3062. 291 |           |
| 3091. 928    | 3100. 980 | 3102.195  |           |
| 3105. 199    | 3115. 633 | 3121. 837 |           |
| 3125. 771    | 3236. 625 | 3759. 652 |           |
|              |           |           |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 292.499866812 478.825708902 531.931877469 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions  |                           |
|--|---------------------------|
| Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.0  | 0 500.00 600.00           |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 40. 83 40. 86 42. 2   | 9 43.40 44.30             |
| 45. 73 46. 84 48. 85<br>Cp 4. 97 4. 97 4. 97 4. 9  | 7 4.97 4.97               |
| 4. 97 4. 97 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48 1. 49 1. 9   | 9 2.48 2.98               |
| 3. 97 4. 97 7. 45<br>qtrans 6. 86e+07 6. 98e+07 1. 43e+0<br>8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298. 15<br>Entropy 40. 83<br>Cp 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48<br>strenge 6. 87e+07 | 8 2.50e+08 3.95e+08       |
| qtrans 6.87e+07  |                           |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.0   | 0 500. 00 600. 00         |
| 800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 38.08 38.35 51.8   | 2 64. 62 76. 70           |
| 98. 72 118. 18 158. 31<br>Cp 41. 12 41. 35 52. 5   | 4 62. 21 70. 26           |
| 82. 62 91. 64 105. 57<br>dH 6. 28 6. 36 11. 0  | 7 16. 83 23. 47           |
| 38. 85       56. 34       106. 09         q_vib       5. 22e+03       5. 61e+03       1. 89e+0         9. 17e+10       3. 28e+13       1. 38e+19       1. 89e+0  | 5 5.84e+06 1.64e+08       |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 38.10<br>Cp 41.13<br>dH 6.28<br>q_vib 5.25e+03  |                           |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.0   | 0 500.00 600.00           |
| 800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 29.61 29.63 30.4   | 8 31. 15 31. 69           |
| 32. 55 33. 21 34. 42<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98 2. 9  | 8 2.98 2.98               |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89 1. 1   | 9 1.49 1.79               |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 658859. 67 665503. 61 1024609. 8<br>2898034. 24 4050125. 97 7440556. 52   | 3 1431935. 77 1882328. 45 |

| External R | lotati onal | Contri buti ons |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Temperatu  | ire 2       | 298.15          |
| Entro      | ру          | 29.61           |
|            | Čp          | 2.98            |
|            | dĤ          | 0.89            |

### Hf298 S298 Cps: -50. 3624831204 109. 910364359 49. 0659234687 49. 3005705213 60. 4925197974 70. 1633680309 78. 2071832506 90. 5710189833 99. 58780681 113. 520920626Mol ecul e 2:

### Geometry: Mass(amu)

| ometry:  |           |           |           |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| uss(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000   | - 0. 4652 | - 0. 5141 | 1. 1792   |
| 15. 995  | - 0. 5062 | - 0. 6053 | 2.3536    |
| 12.000   | 2.2952    | - 0. 5549 | - 1. 0516 |
| 1.008    | 1. 2598   | - 0. 6978 | - 1. 3513 |
| 12.000   | - 1. 0997 | 0. 6382   | 0.3467    |
| 12.000   | 2.9352    | 0. 5401   | - 1. 4553 |
| 1.008    | 3.9671    | 0. 7354   | - 1. 1765 |
| 1.008    | - 2. 3975 | - 0. 6164 | - 1. 8711 |
| 1.008    | 2.4497    | 1.2779    | - 2. 0851 |
| 12.000   | 2.8803    | - 1. 6266 | - 0. 1803 |
| 1.008    | 2.2871    | - 1. 7456 | 0. 7328   |
| 1.008    | 2.8631    | - 2. 5960 | - 0. 6910 |
| 1.008    | 3. 9130   | - 1. 4052 | 0. 1013   |
| 12.000   | - 2. 5480 | 0.8496    | 0.7892    |
| 1.008    | - 2. 5851 | 1.0683    | 1.8572    |
| 1.008    | - 2. 9755 | 1.6878    | 0. 2332   |
| 1.008    | - 3. 1390 | - 0. 0461 | 0. 5969   |
| 12.000   | - 0. 2202 | 1.8773    | 0. 5268   |
| 1.008    | - 0. 2312 | 2. 1827   | 1. 5741   |
| 1.008    | - 0. 6156 | 2.6888    | - 0. 0881 |
| 15. 995  | - 1. 6760 | - 0. 9165 | - 1. 3011 |
| 15.995   | - 1. 0047 | 0. 3497   | - 1. 0457 |
| 1.008    | 0.8048    | 1.6665    | 0. 2191   |
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| Imagi nary Frequency:       -6. 63138173665         22. 480       28. 876       53. 339         66. 835       85. 533       106. 863         155. 160       213. 325       215. 866         225. 302       240. 764       277. 060         288. 588       344. 550       359. 514         434. 052       444. 447       500. 820         586. 020       600. 982       694. 037         841. 691       908. 198       919. 721         931. 356       940. 361       954. 292         955. 096       1013. 199       1037. 000         1074. 338       1179. 112       1188. 379         1195. 182       1210. 527       1334. 793 |
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| 586.020       600.982       694.037         841.691       908.198       919.721         931.356       940.361       954.292         955.096       1013.199       1037.000         1074.338       1179.112       1188.379         1195.182       1210.527       1334.793  |
| 841. 691908. 198919. 721931. 356940. 361954. 292955. 0961013. 1991037. 0001074. 3381179. 1121188. 3791195. 1821210. 5271334. 793   |
| 931. 356 940. 361 954. 292<br>955. 096 1013. 199 1037. 000<br>1074. 338 1179. 112 1188. 379<br>1195. 182 1210. 527 1334. 793   |
| 955. 096 1013. 199 1037. 000<br>1074. 338 1179. 112 1188. 379<br>1195. 182 1210. 527 1334. 793   |
| 955. 096 1013. 199 1037. 000<br>1074. 338 1179. 112 1188. 379<br>1195. 182 1210. 527 1334. 793   |
| 1074. 338 1179. 112 1188. 379<br>1195. 182 1210. 527 1334. 793   |
| 1195. 182 1210. 527 1334. 793  |
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| 1358.033 1387.016 1401.558   |
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| 1408.032 1442.105 1470.126   |
| 1471. 621 1484. 834 1490. 085  |
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| 1491. 218 1512. 203 1699. 556  |
| 1915. 828 2998. 236 3026. 917  |
| 3030. 307 3045. 828 3075. 485  |
| 3101, 727 3103, 410 3105, 838  |
|  |
| 3118. 182 3119. 863 3136. 967  |
| 3188. 386 3756. 030  |

External Symmetry = 1.0

| Principal Moments of Inertia = 321.93<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2  | 2894821 694                                   | . 950739026  | 752. 514280953                                     |
|---|---|--|--|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49<br>3.97 4.97 7.45<br>qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07<br>8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.83<br>Cp 4.97<br>dH 1.48<br>qtrans 6.87e+07                                     | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08   | 500.00<br>43.40<br>4.97<br>2.48<br>2.50e+08        | 600.00<br>44.30<br>4.97<br>2.98<br>3.95e+08        |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 49.46 49.73<br>108.92 127.96 167.28<br>Cp 41.06 41.28<br>80.74 89.68 103.58<br>dH 6.97 7.05<br>38.87 55.97 104.74<br>$q_{vib}$ 4.96e+05 5.36e+05<br>1.53e+13 5.38e+15 1.99e+21<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 49.48<br>Cp 41.08<br>dH 6.98<br>$q_{vib}$ 4.99e+05 | 400.00<br>63.06<br>51.68<br>11.71<br>2.40e+07 | 500.00<br>75.61<br>60.87<br>17.36<br>8.63e+08      | 600. 00<br>87. 42<br>68. 63<br>23. 85<br>2. 61e+10 |
| $\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$  | 400.00<br>31.29<br>2.98<br>1.19<br>1540266.98 | 500. 00<br>31. 96<br>2. 98<br>1. 49<br>2152588. 54 | 600. 00<br>32. 50<br>2. 98<br>1. 79<br>2829651. 12 |

External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 30.42     |
| Čp          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 991193.03 |

Hf298 S298 Cps: - 38. 1724208964 232. 008767244 49. 0112492309 49. 2261055809 59. 6320521908 68. 8179756254 76. 5758299573 88. 6864422182 97. 6261306672 111. 53030681 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^*(T/1000)^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  9.6  $r = A^*T^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  2.48e+15 9. 67e+15 0. 20 4.12 2. 48e+15 0. 20 4.12 Fit Rate Temperature Rate 7. 26e+12 298.00 7. 30e+12 300.00 7.65e+12 7. 61e+12 4. 53e+13 1. 34e+14 2. 76e+14 400.00 4. 46e+13 1. 32e+14 2. 77e+14 500.00 600.00 800.00 7. 02e+14 6. 94e+14 1000.00 1. 23e+15 1. 22e+15 1500.00 2. 60e+15 2.63e+15

4.34

Rate Data: Arrhenius format r = A\*exp(-Ea/R/T) 1.08e+16

| $r = A^{*}exp(-Ea/R/$ | (1) 1.08e- | +16       |  |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|--|
| Temperature           | Rate       | Fit Rate  |  |
| 298.00                | 7. 30e+12  | 7. 12e+12 |  |
| 300.00                | 7.65e+12   | 7.48e+12  |  |
| 400.00                | 4. 46e+13  | 4. 61e+13 |  |
| 500.00                | 1. 32e+14  | 1. 37e+14 |  |
| 600.00                | 2.77e+14   | 2.84e+14  |  |
| 800.00                | 7.02e+14   | 7. 04e+14 |  |
| 1000.00               | 1. 23e+15  | 1.21e+15  |  |
| 1500.00               | 2.60e+15   | 2. 51e+15 |  |
|                       |            |           |  |

# $a-Qp2 \rightarrow a-M2$

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:      |           |           |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)      | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000         | 1.0052    | - 0. 0262 | - 2. 0957 |
| 12.000         | 1. 3246   | - 0. 4657 | - 0. 6503 |
| 12.000         | 2. 8293   | - 0. 4401 | - 0. 3736 |
| 12.000         | 0. 5832   | 0. 4061   | 0. 3557   |
| 12.000         | - 0. 9722 | 0. 3806   | 0. 4074   |
| 15. 995        | -1.5477   | - 0. 6880 | - 0. 3776 |
| 15.995         | - 1. 1848 | - 1. 9654 | 0. 2106   |
| 15. 995        | 1. 1532   | 1. 1612   | 1. 1100   |
| 12.000         | - 1. 4473 | 0.3271    | 1. 8174   |
| 12.000         | - 1. 4931 | 1. 6468   | - 0. 3103 |
| 1. 008         | 0. 9407   | - 1. 4814 | - 0. 5234 |
| 1.008          | 1.5756    | - 0. 6413 | - 2. 7960 |
| 1.008          | - 0. 0532 | -0.1479   | - 2. 3238 |
| 1.008          | 1. 2913   | 1. 0174   | - 2. 2585 |
|                | 3. 0507   | - 0. 7609 | 0. 6462   |
| 1.008<br>1.008 | 3. 3490   |           |           |
|                | 3. 3490   | - 1. 1049 | - 1. 0683 |
| 1.008          | 3. 2290   | 0.5695    | -0.4924   |
| 1.008          | -2.4973   | 0. 1331   | 2.0019    |
| 1.008          | -0.7957   | 0. 6204   | 2. 6266   |
| 1.008          | - 1. 9589 | -2.1471   | 0.7616    |
| 1.008          | - 1. 0769 | 2. 5240   | 0. 1852   |
| 1.008          | - 2. 5822 | 1.6777    | -0.2519   |
| 1.008          | - 1. 1943 | 1.6512    | - 1. 3600 |
| Frequenci es   | (cm-1):   |           |           |
| 61. 902        | 72.552    | 161. 793  |           |
| 194. 022       | 205. 333  | 215.944   |           |
| 218. 270       | 227.709   | 246.408   |           |
| 261.698        | 273.602   | 302.741   |           |
| 312. 174       | 329.975   | 364. 883  |           |
| 401. 120       | 462.205   | 520. 182  |           |
| 566. 356       | 601.978   | 687.730   |           |
| 759.655        | 844. 425  | 876. 733  |           |
| 913. 391       | 936. 583  | 945.991   |           |
| 973. 244       | 995. 022  | 1027.227  |           |
| 1055.010       | 1117.664  | 1133. 278 |           |
| 1192.825       | 1211.601  | 1237. 460 |           |
| 1315. 281      | 1358. 460 | 1376.075  |           |
| 1313. 201      | 1398. 112 | 1417.171  |           |
| 1425. 133      | 1477. 691 | 1483. 288 |           |
| 1425. 135      | 1491.836  | 1500. 654 |           |
| 1518. 453      | 1773. 901 | 3015.352  |           |
| 3022.649       | 3032. 782 | 3052.944  |           |
| 3077. 487      | 3090. 799 | 3095.834  |           |
| 3107. 128      | 3117.240  | 3123. 731 |           |
| 3131.600       | 3259.319  | 3746. 965 |           |
| 5151.000       | 5253.519  | 5740. 305 |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 293.207035407 475.362187451 535.059192039 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions   |            |             |            |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|
| Temperature         298.00         300.00           800.00         1000.00         1500.00  | 400.00     | 500.00      | 600.00     |
| Entropy 40.83 40.86   | 42.29      | 43. 40      | 44.30      |
| 45. 73 46. 84 48. 85<br>Cp 4. 97 4. 97<br>4. 97   | 4.97       | 4.97        | 4.97       |
| 4. 97 4. 97 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48 1. 49   | 1.99       | 2.48        | 2.98       |
| 3. 97<br>4. 97<br>7. 45<br>qtrans<br>6. 86e+07<br>6. 98e+07<br>8. 10e+08<br>1. 42e+09<br>3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature<br>298. 15<br>Entropy<br>40. 83<br>Cp<br>4. 97<br>dH<br>1. 48<br>qtrans<br>6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08  | 2.50e+08    | 3.95e+08   |
| Vibrational Contributions   |            |             |            |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600. 00    |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 36. 97 37. 25  | 50.68      | 63.46       | 75. 53     |
| 97. 53 116. 99 157. 11<br>Cp 41. 01 41. 24  | 52.45      | 62.14       | 70. 19     |
| 82. 58 91. 62 105. 57<br>dH 6. 21 6. 29   | 10. 99     | 16.74       | 23. 38     |
| 38. 74       56. 23       105. 98         q_vi b       3. 34e+03       3. 59e+03         5. 39e+10       1. 90e+13       7. 87e+18  | 1.17e+05   | 3. 56e+06   | 9.80e+07   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 36.99<br>Cp 41.02<br>dH 6.22<br>q_vib 3.36e+03   |            |             |            |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600. 00    |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 29. 61 29. 63  | 30. 48     | 31.15       | 31.69      |
| 32. 55 33. 22 34. 42<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98  | 2.98       | 2.98        | 2.98       |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89   | 1.19       | 1.49        | 1.79       |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 659194. 81 665842. 12<br>2899508. 33 4052186. 08 7444341. 18   | 1025131.00 | 1432664. 13 | 1883285.91 |

| External | Rotati ona | al Contribution | ns |
|----------|------------|-----------------|----|
| Temperat | cure       | 298.15          |    |
| Enti     | ropy       | 29.61           |    |
|          | Čp         | 2.98            |    |
|          | dĤ         | 0.89            |    |

# Hf 298 S298 Cps: -62. 9375650765 108. 804291829 48. 9543302547 49. 1893351467 60. 3978173105 70. 0839492159 78. 142220668 90. 5304596092 99. 5639975706 113. 515686605Mol ecul e 2:

### Geometry: Mas

| eometry:  |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000    | 1. 5960   | 0. 57Ž3   | - 1. 6443 |
| 12.000    | 1. 5963   | 0.4542    | - 0. 1158 |
| 12.000    | 2.9993    | 0. 5192   | 0. 5018   |
| 12.000    | 0.6667    | 1. 5005   | 0. 5016   |
| 12.000    | - 1. 8202 | - 0. 7042 | 0. 1922   |
| 15.995    | - 1. 2818 | - 1. 0799 | - 1. 0276 |
| 15.995    | - 0. 3444 | - 2. 1695 | - 0. 8994 |
| 15.995    | 0.8311    | 2.1415    | 1.4804    |
| 12.000    | - 1. 5836 | - 1. 3038 | 1.3555    |
| 12.000    | - 2. 6820 | 0.4966    | - 0. 0489 |
| 1.008     | 1. 1171   | - 0. 4953 | 0.1483    |
| 1.008     | 2. 1961   | - 0. 2313 | - 2. 0772 |
| 1.008     | 0. 5822   | 0. 4901   | - 2. 0375 |
| 1.008     | 2.0239    | 1.5274    | - 1. 9633 |
| 1.008     | 2.9527    | 0.4456    | 1. 5899   |
| 1.008     | 3. 6165   | - 0. 2989 | 0. 1209   |
| 1.008     | 3. 4900   | 1.4630    | 0. 2492   |
| 1.008     | - 0. 9175 | - 2. 1490 | 1. 4353   |
| 1.008     | - 2. 0545 | - 0. 9237 | 2.2505    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 9049 | - 2. 9249 | - 1. 1313 |
| 1.008     | - 3. 1854 | 0. 7861   | 0.8730    |
| 1.008     | - 3. 4319 | 0. 2891   | - 0. 8172 |
| 1.008     | - 2. 0614 | 1. 3298   | - 0. 3889 |
|           |           |           |           |

| Frequenci es | (cm-1):   |                                |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Imaginary F  | requency. | -1 983914995e-05               |
| 22 204       | 18 631    | - 1. 983914995e- 05<br>63. 620 |
|              |           |                                |
| 77.695       |           |                                |
| 161. 387     | 167.001   | 178. 258                       |
| 212. 721     | 245.850   | 266. 142                       |
| 326. 569     | 360. 927  | 409. 287                       |
| 448.129      | 502.780   | 553.069                        |
|              |           | 748.315                        |
| 848.890      | 861.531   | 884.041                        |
| 923.651      | 944.332   | 959.952                        |
|              | 1022.085  |                                |
| 1071.147     | 1139.587  | 1185. 439                      |
| 1259.395     | 1282.618  |                                |
| 1369.406     |           |                                |
| 1415.683     |           |                                |
| 1481.750     |           |                                |
|              |           |                                |
| 1497.966     |           |                                |
| 1905. 386    | 3015.008  | 3018. 299                      |
| 3020. 235    | 3035.119  | 3078. 434                      |
| 3078.626     | 3085.070  | 3096. 229                      |
|              | 3119.616  |                                |
|              |           | 5104.000                       |
| 3257.616     | 3732. 578 |                                |

External Symmetry = 1.0

| Principal Moments of Inertia = 325.49<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2  | 1243242 624                                   | . 670457712  | 756. 559128497                                     |
|---|---|--|--|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49<br>3.97 4.97 7.45<br>qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07<br>8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.83<br>Cp 4.97<br>dH 1.48<br>qtrans 6.87e+07                                 | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08   | 500.00<br>43.40<br>4.97<br>2.48<br>2.50e+08        | 600. 00<br>44. 30<br>4. 97<br>2. 98<br>3. 95e+08   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 46.79 47.06<br>105.76 124.74 164.01<br>Cp 40.31 40.53<br>80.47 89.49 103.49<br>dH 6.81 6.89<br>38.48 55.54 104.23<br>$q_vib$ 1.70e+05 1.84e+05<br>4.00e+12 1.33e+15 4.55e+20<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 46.81<br>Cp 40.33<br>dH 6.82<br>$q_vib$ 1.71e+05 | 400.00<br>60.19<br>51.07<br>11.49<br>7.58e+06 | 500.00<br>72.62<br>60.37<br>17.08<br>2.56e+08      | 600.00<br>84.35<br>68.23<br>23.53<br>7.34e+09      |
| $\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$  | 400.00<br>31.20<br>2.98<br>1.19<br>1472297.31 | 500. 00<br>31. 87<br>2. 98<br>1. 49<br>2057598. 05 | 600. 00<br>32. 41<br>2. 98<br>1. 79<br>2704782. 87 |

External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 30. 33    |
| Čp          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 947453.17 |

300.00

400.00

500.00

600.00

800.00

1000.00

1500.00

2.75e+06

5.27e+08

1.25e+10

1.04e+11

1.47e+12

7.16e+12

5.88e+13

Hf298 S298 Cps: -42. 46155114 228. 151929636 48. 2636394727 48. 4806700855 59. 0149914753 68. 322122191 76. 1772156277 88. 4204870616 97. 4394046049 111. 438224292 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^{*}(T/1000)^{n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 3. 90e+15 0. 04 12.53  $r = A^{T^n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 12.53 2. 94e+15 0. 04 Fit Rate Temperature Rate 2. 38e+06 2.39e+06 298.00 300.00 2.75e+06 2.75e+06 5. 27e+08 1. 25e+10 5. 33e+08 400.00 1.26e+10 500.00 600.00 1.04e+11 1.04e+11 800.00 1.47e+12 1.46e+12 1000.00 7.16e+12 7.11e+12 5.88e+13 1500.00 5. 92e+13 Rate Data: Arrhenius format  $r = A^* exp(-Ea/R/T)$ Temperature 3. 99e+15 12.58 Fit Rate Rate 298.00 2.39e+06 2.37e+06

2.74e+06

5.35e+08

1. 27e+10

1. 05e+11 1. 46e+12

7.11e+12

5.87e+13

# $a-Qt1 \rightarrow a-M3$

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:        |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu)        | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 1 <b>2</b> . 000 | - 1. 1971 | - 0. 2753 | - 0. 9954 |
| 1.008            | - 1. 4197 | 0.2663    | 1.9561    |
| 12.000           | 0. 1371   | - 0. 5953 | - 0. 5173 |
| 15.995           | 0.6688    | - 1. 6579 | - 0. 8566 |
| 12.000           | 0.9713    | 0.3724    | 0.3709    |
| 12.000           | - 1. 9150 | 1.0259    | - 0. 8127 |
| 1.008            | - 2. 9088 | 0.8527    | - 0. 3774 |
| 1.008            | - 1. 3827 | 1.7387    | - 0. 1903 |
| 1.008            | - 2. 1053 | 1.4860    | - 1. 7919 |
| 12.000           | - 1. 9054 | - 1. 3102 | - 1. 8093 |
| 1.008            | - 2. 0713 | - 0. 9454 | - 2. 8319 |
| 1.008            | - 1. 3327 | - 2. 2336 | - 1. 8574 |
| 1.008            | - 2. 8996 | - 1. 5147 | - 1. 3930 |
| 12.000           | 2.0690    | - 0. 3917 | 1.1114    |
| 1.008            | 2.7175    | - 0. 9091 | 0. 4061   |
| 1.008            | 2.6566    | 0. 3137   | 1. 7030   |
| 1.008            | 1.6308    | - 1. 1333 | 1.7784    |
| 12.000           | 1.5658    | 1.4917    | -0.4958   |
| 1.008            | 0. 7958   | 2.0470    | - 1. 0337 |
| 1.008            | 2.2516    | 1.0550    | - 1. 2242 |
| 15.995           | -0.4936   | 0. 1263   | 2. 1967   |
| 15.995           | 0.1532    | 1.0910    | 1.3193    |
| 1.008            | 2. 1210   | 2.1896    | 0. 1346   |
| Frequenci es     | (cm-1):   |           |           |
| 41. 602          | 66. 719   | 81.148    |           |
| 110.014          | 144. 889  | 173. 492  |           |
| 194. 886         | 220. 164  | 239. 110  |           |
| 251.509          | 280. 944  | 334. 116  |           |
| 350. 216         | 354. 219  | 380. 988  |           |
| 407.677          | 494.394   | 534.103   |           |
| 572.626          | 651.295   | 709.364   |           |
| 835.589          | 889.519   | 921.798   |           |
| 942.664          | 946. 785  | 953. 329  |           |
| 960. 725         | 1018.881  | 1039. 582 |           |
| 1077.442         | 1178.800  | 1216. 505 |           |
| 1237.360         | 1270. 919 | 1351. 121 |           |
| 1360. 347        | 1388. 547 | 1394. 210 |           |
| 1404.630         | 1411. 799 | 1458. 149 |           |
| 1469. 641        | 1473. 448 | 1481. 574 |           |
| 1490. 945        | 1492.435  | 1504.758  |           |
| 1510. 296        | 1566. 720 | 2973. 137 |           |
| 2983. 528        | 3002.357  | 3019.745  |           |
| 3029.041         | 3041.025  | 3101.086  |           |
| 3107.157         | 3116.073  | 3132.668  |           |
| 3132.886         | 3151. 021 | 3752.616  |           |
|                  |           |           |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 294.388029391 472.098246464 542.169390049 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions  |             |            |             |
|--|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Temperature         298.00         300.00           800.00         1000.00         1500.00   | 400. 00     | 500.00     | 600. 00     |
| Entropy 40.83 40.86  | 42.29       | 43. 40     | 44. 30      |
| Cp 4. 97 4. 97   | 4.97        | 4.97       | 4.97        |
| 4. 97 4. 97 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48 1. 49  | 1.99        | 2.48       | 2. 98       |
| 3. 97 4. 97 7. 45<br>qtrans 6. 86e+07 6. 98e+07<br>8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298. 15<br>Entropy 40. 83<br>Cp 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48<br>qtrans 6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08   | 2.50e+08   | 3.95e+08    |
| Vibrational Contributions  |             |            |             |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00     | 500. 00    | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 40. 73 41. 00   | 54. 18      | 66. 76     | 78.68       |
| 100. 51 119. 89 159. 96<br>Cp 40. 25 40. 48  | 51.52       | 61.26      | 69.46       |
| 82. 13 91. 36 105. 52<br>dH 6. 39 6. 47  | 11.08       | 16.74      | 23. 30      |
| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$   | 6. 10e+05   | 1.87e+07   | 5. 13e+08   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.75<br>Cp 40.27<br>dH 6.40<br>q_vib 1.65e+04  |             |            |             |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00     | 500. 00    | 600. 00     |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 29. 62 29. 64   | 30. 49      | 31.16      | 31.70       |
| 32. 56 33. 23 34. 43<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98   | 2.98        | 2.98       | 2. 98       |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89  | 1.19        | 1.49       | 1.79        |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 662608. 67 669290. 41<br>2914524. 43 4073171. 72 7482894. 27  | 1030440. 00 | 1440083.67 | 1893039. 15 |
|  |             |            |             |

| External | Rotati ona | al Contributio | ns |
|----------|------------|----------------|----|
| Temperat | ure        | 298.15         |    |
| Entr     | opy        | 29.62          |    |
|          | Čp         | 2.98           |    |
|          | dĤ         | 0.89           |    |

Hf298 S298 Cps: -63. 4235299336 112. 571758603 48. 2000375189 48. 4278779019 59. 4667540111 69. 2117288736 77. 4098919342 90. 0816057774 99. 3101230528 113. 465388756Mol ecul e 2:

### Geometry: Mass(amu)

| metry:  |           |           |           |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| ss(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000  | - 1. 0615 | - 0. 8063 | - 0. 9359 |
| 1.008   | - 0. 7886 | - 0. 7567 | 1.2407    |
| 12.000  | 0. 2562   | - 0. 6073 | - 1. 0658 |
| 15.995  | 1.3468    | - 0. 8569 | - 1. 4547 |
| 12.000  | 0.8542    | 0. 9326   | 0.6091    |
| 12.000  | - 2. 1204 | 0. 2473   | - 0. 7226 |
| 1.008   | - 2. 8192 | - 0. 0434 | 0.0698    |
| 1.008   | - 1. 7132 | 1.2179    | - 0. 4562 |
| 1.008   | - 2. 7077 | 0.3629    | - 1. 6417 |
| 12.000  | - 1. 5553 | - 2. 1886 | - 1. 3483 |
| 1.008   | - 2. 1161 | - 2. 1293 | - 2. 2895 |
| 1.008   | - 0. 7358 | - 2. 8955 | - 1. 4864 |
| 1.008   | - 2. 2319 | - 2. 5965 | - 0. 5893 |
| 12.000  | 2.0629    | 0.2190    | 1.1345    |
| 1.008   | 2.7760    | 0. 0481   | 0. 3302   |
| 1.008   | 2.5358    | 0.8464    | 1.9030    |
| 1.008   | 1.8001    | - 0. 7334 | 1. 5897   |
| 12.000  | 1.0440    | 2.2068    | - 0. 1556 |
| 1.008   | 0. 0977   | 2.6012    | - 0. 5275 |
| 1.008   | 1.7124    | 2.0266    | - 0. 9996 |
| 15. 995 | - 0. 5522 | - 0. 2389 | 2.0419    |
| 15. 995 | - 0. 2352 | 1.0349    | 1.4264    |
| 1.008   | 1. 5038   | 2.9739    | 0.4836    |
|         |           |           |           |

| Frequenci es  | (cm-1):   |                              |
|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Imaginary F   | requency: | - 180. 523565868             |
| <b>49.902</b> | 70.336    | - 180. 523565868<br>125. 517 |
| 130.868       |           |                              |
| 176.759       |           |                              |
| 243.039       |           | 292.497                      |
| 323.666       |           |                              |
| 393. 954      |           | 531.034                      |
| 561.514       |           | 731.020                      |
|               | 890.847   |                              |
| 980. 873      |           |                              |
| 1000. 341     |           |                              |
| 1099.647      |           |                              |
| 1278.515      |           |                              |
| 1397.664      |           |                              |
| 1448. 296     |           |                              |
| 1471.566      |           |                              |
| 1486.694      |           |                              |
| 2006. 149     |           |                              |
| 2983.074      |           |                              |
| 3031.705      |           |                              |
| 3100. 125     |           |                              |
| 3154.719      |           | 3143. 020                    |
| 5154.719      | 3455.010  |                              |

External Symmetry = 1.0

| Principal Moments of Inertia = 308.27<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2   | 5666603 499                | . 427743042                | 582. 86208209              |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97   | 400. 00<br>42. 29<br>4. 97 | 500. 00<br>43. 40<br>4. 97 | 600. 00<br>44. 30<br>4. 97 |
| 4.97 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49   | 1.99                       | 2.48                       | 2. 98                      |
| 3. 97       4. 97       7. 45         qtrans       6. 86e+07       6. 98e+07         8. 10e+08       1. 42e+09       3. 90e+09         Transl ati onal       Contri buti ons         Temperature       298. 15         Entropy       40. 83         Cp       4. 97         dH       1. 48         qtrans       6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08                  | 2. 50e+08                  | 3.95e+08                   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00                    | 500. 00                    | 600. 00                    |
| 800.00 1000.00 1500.00   |                            |                            |                            |
| Entropy 40. 39 40. 66<br>99. 06 118. 03 157. 34  | 53. 71                     | 66.05                      | 77.72                      |
| Cp         40.07         40.29           80.33         89.50         103.64  | 50.71                      | 60.00                      | 67.91                      |
| dH 6. 44 6. 52<br>37. 96 55. 01 103. 75  | 11.09                      | 16.64                      | 23.05                      |
| q_vi b 1. 27e+04 1. 36e+04<br>1. 90e+11 5. 93e+13 1. 86e+19  | 4. 79e+05                  | 1.45e+07                   | 3.87e+08                   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.41<br>Cp 40.09<br>dH 6.45<br>q_vib 1.27e+04  |                            |                            |                            |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00   | 400. 00                    | 500. 00                    | 600. 00                    |
| 800.00       1000.00       1500.00         Entropy       29.79       29.81         32.73       33.40       34.61         Cp       2.98       2.98  | 30.67                      | 31. 33                     | 31.88                      |
| <i>μ μ μ μ μ μ μ μ μ μ</i>   | 2.98                       | 2.98                       | 2.98                       |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89  | 1.19                       | 1.49                       | 1. 79                      |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 723106. 41 730398. 20<br>3180627. 38 4445061. 89 8166100. 13  | 1124521. 59                | 1571566. 70                | 2065878. 08                |

External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 29.79     |
| Čp          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 723652.44 |

Hf298 S298 Cps: - 30. 8451913702 224. 983603306 48. 0218516307 48. 2365329135 58. 660389664 67. 9487452894 75. 8588058852 88. 2806684627 97. 4488582483 111. 590869678 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^*(T/1000)^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  1.9  $r = A^*T^n^*exp(-Ea/R/T)$  3.73e+12 1. 93e+13 0. 24 24.36 24.36 3. 73e+12 0. 24 Fit Rate Temperature Rate 1.96e-05 298.00 1.97e-05 2. 60e-05 7. 46e-01 2. 59e-05 7. 58e-01 300.00 400.00 3.67e+02 500.00 3.64e+02 2. 29e+04 600.00 2. 28e+04 800.00 4.09e+06 4.04e+06 1000.00 9. 23e+07 9.14e+07 1500.00 5. 93e+09 5.99e+09 Rate Data: Arrhenius format

| $r = A^* exp(-Ea/R/$ | /T) 2.19e+ | ⊦1 <b>3</b> | 24.62 |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| Temperature          |            | Fit Rate    |       |
| 298.00               | 1.97e-05   | 1.92e-05    |       |
| 300.00               | 2.60e-05   | 2. 53e-05   |       |
| 400.00               | 7.46e-01   | 7.72e-01    |       |
| 500.00               | 3. 64e+02  | 3. 79e+02   |       |
| 600.00               | 2. 29e+04  | 2. 36e+04   |       |
| 800.00               | 4. 09e+06  | 4. 12e+06   |       |
| 1000.00              | 9. 23e+07  | 9. 12e+07   |       |
| 1500.00              | 5. 93e+09  | 5.67e+09    |       |
|                      |            |             |       |

# $a-M1 \rightarrow a-P1$

Molecule 1:

| Geometry:<br>Mass(amu)<br>12.000<br>15.995<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>15.995<br>15.995<br>1.008 | X(ang)<br>-0. 9354<br>-0. 9320<br>0. 3370<br>-0. 1348<br>1. 2948<br>1. 5563<br>2. 2026<br>0. 8276<br>0. 9468<br>1. 2617<br>1. 8144<br>-0. 7586<br>-0. 0305<br>0. 2215   | Y(ang)<br>-0. 2340<br>-0. 1779<br>-0. 2211<br>1. 6974<br>0. 8722<br>0. 7131<br>0. 8473<br>1. 8527<br>-1. 6233<br>-1. 8506<br>-1. 6629<br>1. 1915<br>-0. 0599<br>-2. 3692            | Z(ang<br>0. 857<br>2. 034<br>- 0. 042<br>- 2. 082<br>0. 431<br>1. 478<br>- 0. 176<br>0. 337<br>0. 009<br>1. 029<br>- 0. 652<br>- 1. 543<br>- 1. 408<br>- 0. 318 | 72<br>46<br>29<br>26<br>17<br>36<br>66<br>74<br>98<br>93<br>23<br>37<br>38 |                |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|----------------|--|--|
| Frequenci es<br>74. 283<br>223. 822<br>289. 247<br>441. 074<br>692. 709<br>940. 965<br>1178. 214<br>1360. 122<br>1469. 260<br>1509. 145<br>3031. 796<br>3116. 266               | <ul> <li>(cm-1):<br/>149.042</li> <li>239.285</li> <li>340.623</li> <li>504.702</li> <li>840.801</li> <li>952.825</li> <li>1194.241</li> <li>1386.176</li> <li>1481.584</li> <li>1916.394</li> <li>3101.722</li> <li>3119.032</li> </ul>  | $\begin{array}{c} 205.\ 747\\ 280.\ 282\\ 359.\ 097\\ 584.\ 675\\ 908.\ 460\\ 1010.\ 685\\ 1211.\ 489\\ 1406.\ 107\\ 1487.\ 777\\ 3026.\ 722\\ 3106.\ 146\\ 3754.\ 484 \end{array}$ |   |  |                |  |  |
| External Sy<br>Principal M<br>Electronic  | loments of  | Inertia =   | 149. 7677   | 711643   | 224. 28        | 34364073   | 264. 127311378                                   |
| 4.97<br>d<br>3.97<br>dtran<br>4.85e+08<br>Translation<br>Temperatur<br>Entrop   | al       Contrib         re       298         1000.00       39         45.82       4         49       4         4.97       4         14.97       1         4.97       1         18       4.11e         8.47e+08       1         10       298         29       39         29       39         29       4 | . 00 3<br>1500. 00<br>. 81<br>47. 83<br>. 97<br>4. 97<br>. 48<br>7. 45<br>+07 4. 1<br>2. 33e+0<br>utions<br>. 15<br>. 81<br>. 97<br>. 48  | 800.00<br>39.84<br>4.97<br>1.49<br>8e+07<br>9   | 4.   | 27<br>97<br>99 | 500. 00<br>42. 38<br>4. 97<br>2. 48<br>1. 50e+08 | 600. 00<br>43. 28<br>4. 97<br>2. 98<br>2. 36e+08 |

| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 21.24 21.40<br>56.46 67.67 90.71<br>Cp 24.16 24.29<br>47.64 52.71 60.53<br>dH 3.63 3.68<br>22.52 32.59 61.15<br>$q\_vib 9.57e+01 9.97e+01$ | 400.00<br>29.29<br>30.67<br>6.44<br>7.67e+02 | 500. 00<br>36. 74<br>36. 13<br>9. 79<br>5. 65e+03 | 600. 00<br>43. 74<br>40. 67<br>13. 64<br>3. 92e+04 |
|--|--|---|--|
| 1.54e+06 4.64e+07 8.21e+10<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 21.25<br>Cp 24.17<br>dH 3.63<br>q_vib 9.60e+01  |  |   |  |
| External Rotational Contributions  | 400.00                                       | 500.00  | 00.00  |
| Temperature298.00300.00800.001000.001500.00Entropy27.4927.51   | 400. 00<br>28. 37                            | 500. 00<br>29. 03                                 | 600. 00<br>29. 58                                  |
| Entropy27.4927.5130.4431.1032.31Cp2.982.98   | 2.98   | 29.03<br>2.98                                     | 29. 38   |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89  | 2. 30<br>1. 19                               | 2. 30<br>1. 49                                    | 1. 79  |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 227367. 61 229660. 39<br>1000090. 24 1397668. 60 2567681. 17  | 353585. 29                                   | 494150. 47  |  |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 27.49<br>Cp 2.98<br>dH 0.89<br>q_rot 227539.31  |  |   |  |
| Hf298 S298 Cps:<br>-44. 886125871 89. 9316407641 32. 106982<br>44. 0763558802 48. 6157251591 55. 589548<br>2:  | 0756 32.24209<br>5368 60.66128               | 940795 38.615<br>941465 68.473                    | 5656658<br>38770423Mol ecul e                      |
| Geometry:<br>Mass(amu) X(ang) Y(ang) Z(a<br>12.000 -0.6953 -0.3190 1.3<br>15.995 -1.0295 0.6917 1.8<br>12.000 0.4631 -0.5415 0.4<br>1.008 -1.4659 0.6994 -0.8<br>12.000 1.4665 0.5183 0.3<br>1.008 2.4837 0.1239 0.2                               | 360<br>793<br>725<br>821<br>229              |   |  |

- 1. 4659 1. 4665 2. 4837 0. 6994 0. 5183 0. 1239
- 172

| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$                              | $\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$   | 559<br>62<br>78<br>448<br>13<br>447 |             |              |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$                              | 2077535007<br>3. 385<br>9. 758<br>4. 075<br>5. 172<br>5. 065<br>9. 992<br>4. 811<br>3. 198<br>9. 393<br>1. 109<br>2. 383 |                                     |             |              |
| External Symmetry = 1.0<br>Principal Moments of Iner<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2 | tia = 172.716  | 75395 243. 4                        | 28197359 29 | 6. 003326876 |
| Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributio<br>Temperature 298.00             | ns<br>300. 00  | 400. 00                             | 500. 00     | 600. 00      |
|   | 00. 00<br>39. 84   | 41.27                               | 42.38       | 43. 28       |
| 44. 71 45. 82 4<br>Cp 4. 97   | 7. 83<br>4. 97   | 4.97                                | 4.97        | 4.97         |
| 4. 97 4. 97 4<br>dH 1. 48   | . 97   | 1. 99                               | 2. 48       | 2. 98        |
|   | . 45<br>4. 18e+07  | 8. 57e+07                           |             |              |
|   | . 33e+09   | 0.070107                            | 1.000100    | 2.000100     |
| Vibrational Contributions   |  |                                     |             |              |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00  | 300.00   | 400.00                              | 500.00      | 600.00       |
| Entropy 23.24   | 00.00 23.39  | 31.01                               | 38.18       | 44.94        |
| Ср 23. 43   | 0. 59 23. 55   | 29. 55                              | 34.83       | 39. 29       |
| dH 3.74   | 8. 97<br>3. 79   | 6.45                                | 9.68        | 13. 40       |
| q_vi b 2. 15e+02  | 9. 61<br>2. 24e+02<br>. 30e+11   | 1. 78e+03                           | 1. 30e+04   | 8. 75e+04    |

Vibrational Contributions

| Entropy:    |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Temperature | 298.15   |
| Entropy     | 23. 25   |
| Ĉp          | 23.44    |
| dĤ          | 3.75     |
| q_vi b      | 2.16e+02 |

| External | Rotationa | al Contribu | utions    |           |           |           |
|----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Tempera  | ature     | 298.00      | 300.00    | 400.00    | 500.00    | 600.00    |
| 800. Ô0  | 1000.00   | ) 1500.     | 00        |           |           |           |
| Ent      | tropy     | 27.83       | 27.85     | 28.71     | 29.37     | 29.91     |
| 30.77    | 31.44     | 32. 6       | 35        |           |           |           |
|          | Ср        | 2.98        | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98      |
| 2.98     | 2. 98     | 2.98        | 8         |           |           |           |
|          | dH        | 0.89        | 0.89      | 1.19      | 1.49      | 1. 79     |
| 2.38     | 2.98      | 4.47        | •         |           |           |           |
| (        | rot 269   |             | 272001.82 | 418774.20 | 585254.73 | 769337.32 |
| 1184472. | 30 165535 | 50.36 3041  | 1072. 79  |           |           |           |

| External Rotat | ional Contributions |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Temperature    | 298.15              |
| Entropy        | 27.83               |
| Ĉp             | 2.98                |
| dH             | 0.89                |
| q_rot          | 269489. 69          |

Hf298 S298 Cps: 19. 2708812371 182. 192858134 31. 3755832144 31. 5001086084 37. 495337107 42. 7783958415 47. 2431631581 54. 1777313331 59. 2268422826 66. 92261418

Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format 6. 20e+13 0. 32  $r = A^{*}(T/1000)^{n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 58.59  $r = A*T^n*exp(-Ea/R/T)$ Temperature Ra 6. 65e+12 0. 32 58.59 Fit Rate Rate 4. 49e-30 298.00 4. 50e-30 300.00 8.71e-30 8.70e-30 400.00 4.46e-19 4.48e-19 1.21e-12 1.22e-12 500.00 600.00 2.39e-08 2.39e-08 800.00 5.70e-03 5.68e-03 1000.00 9. 74e+00 9.71e+00 1500.00 2.05e+052.05e+05

Rate Data: Arrhenius format  $r = A^* \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 7. 39e+13 58.95 Temperature Rate Fit Rate 298.00 4.50e-30 4.35e-30 300.00 8.45e-30 8.71e-30 400.00 4. 46e-19 4.60e-19 500.00 1.21e-12 1.27e-12 2. 39e-08 600.00 2.50e-08 5.70e-03 800.00 5.83e-03 1000.00 9.74e+00 9.69e+00 1500.00 2.05e+05 1.91e+05

 $a-M2 \rightarrow a-P2$ 

Molecule 1:

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| Geometry:<br>Mass(amu)<br>12.000<br>12.000<br>12.000<br>12.000<br>15.995<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>1.008   | X(ang)<br>- 0. 0289<br>- 0. 0283<br>1. 3808<br>- 0. 8837<br>- 0. 6181<br>- 0. 5690<br>0. 5008<br>- 1. 0464<br>0. 4770<br>1. 3404<br>1. 9434<br>1. 9251 | Y(ang)<br>-0. 6034<br>-0. 6214<br>-0. 6083<br>0. 5348<br>1. 2968<br>-1. 5172<br>-1. 4778<br>-0. 6108<br>0. 2901<br>-0. 6067<br>-1. 4862<br>0. 2853          | Z(an<br>- 1. 73<br>- 0. 200<br>0. 400<br>0. 33<br>1. 193<br>0. 130<br>- 2. 122<br>- 2. 133<br>- 2. 113<br>1. 493<br>0. 074<br>0. 086 | 72<br>24<br>29<br>15<br>31<br>07<br>28<br>34<br>36<br>36<br>36<br>40 |        |           |                |
|---|--|---|--|--|--------|-----------|----------------|
| Frequenci es<br>62. 455<br>264. 522<br>594. 836<br>939. 339<br>1132. 256<br>1313. 904<br>1480. 636<br>1503. 458<br>3016. 630<br>3086. 343 | (cm-1):<br>213.382<br>356.424<br>742.261<br>965.549<br>1182.354<br>1397.521<br>1486.109<br>1911.816<br>3019.840<br>3095.253                            | $\begin{array}{c} 240.\ 032\\ 445.\ 772\\ 877.\ 750\\ 1063.\ 061\\ 1279.\ 080\\ 1416.\ 308\\ 1497.\ 236\\ 2998.\ 194\\ 3081.\ 175\\ 3098.\ 704 \end{array}$ |  |  |        |           |                |
| External Syn<br>Principal M<br>Electronic   | oments of<br>Degeneracy  | Inertia =   | 63. 7204   | 083278   | 125. 1 | 82667208  | 170. 561551506 |
| Thermodynam<br>Translation<br>Temperature<br>800.00   | al Contrib   |   | 300. 00  | 400.   | 00     | 500. 00   | 600. 00        |
| Entrop  | y 38   | . 70  | 38. 73   | 40.  | 16     | 41. 27    | 42.17          |
| 43. 60<br>C   | 44.71<br>p 4   | 46. 73<br>. 97  | 4.97   | 4.   | 97     | 4.97      | 4.97           |
| 4. 97 dl  | 4.97<br>H 1  | 4. 97<br>. 48   | 1.49   | 1.   | 99     | 2.48      | 2.98           |
| 3.97<br>qtrans<br>2.78e+08<br>Translations<br>Temperature<br>Entrop<br>C<br>di<br>qtrans  | 4.97<br>5.2.35e<br>4.85e+08<br>al Contrib<br>6.298<br>9.38<br>9.4<br>1.5.2.35e   | 7.45<br>+07 2.3<br>1.34e+0<br>utions<br>.15<br>.70<br>.97<br>.48<br>+07   | 39e+07   | 4. 91e+  |        | 8. 58e+07 | 1. 35e+08      |
| Vibrational<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature<br>800.00  |  |   | 300. 00  | 400.   | 00     | 500. 00   | 600. 00        |

|                                   | 13. 33          | 13. 43 | 18.57     | 23. 71    | 28.75      |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| <b>38. 28 46. 98</b>              |                 | 1 - 00 |           |           |            |
|                                   | 15.19           | 15.30  | 20.63     | 25.52     | 29.74      |
| 36. 45 41. 43<br>dH               | 49. 10<br>2. 20 | 2.23   | 4.03      | 6.35      | 9.12       |
| 15. 78 23. 60                     |                 | 2.23   | 4.03      | 0. 55     | 9.12       |
|                                   |                 | 04e+01 | 7.17e+01  | 2.56e+02  | 9.16e+02   |
|                                   | 5 3. 35e+       |        |           |           | 01 100 104 |
|                                   |                 |        |           |           |            |
| Vibrational Contrib               | outions         |        |           |           |            |
| Entropy:                          | 00.15           |        |           |           |            |
|                                   | 298.15          |        |           |           |            |
|                                   | 13.33           |        |           |           |            |
|                                   | 15.20<br>2.20   |        |           |           |            |
| dĤ                                |                 |        |           |           |            |
| q_vi b 1.9                        | 9e+01           |        |           |           |            |
|                                   |                 |        |           |           |            |
| External Rotational               | Contri buti     | ons    |           |           |            |
|                                   | 298.00          |        | 400.00    | 500.00    | 600.00     |
|                                   | 1500.00         |        |           |           |            |
| Entropy                           | 25.63           | 25.65  | 26.51     | 27.17     | 27.71      |
| <b>28</b> . 57 <sup>29</sup> . 24 |                 |        |           |           |            |
| Ср                                |                 | 2.98   | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98       |
| 2. 98 2. 98                       | 2.98            |        |           |           |            |
| dH                                | 0.89            | 0.89   | 1.19      | 1.49      | 1.79       |
| 2. 38 2. 98                       | 4.47            |        | 400400 00 | 100500 00 |            |
|                                   |                 |        | 138462.09 | 193506.66 | 254371.10  |
| <b>391629.94 547319</b> .         | 47 1005490      | J. U8  |           |           |            |

| External Rotat: | ional Contributions |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| Temperature     | 298.15              |
| Entropy         | 25.63               |
| ĊĎ              | 2.98                |
| dĤ              | 0.89                |
| q_rot           | 89103.16            |

Hf298 S298 Cps: -17. 73536204 79. 0408056876 23. 1377507974 23. 2450322083 28. 5823877079 33. 4705074969 37. 6933215821 44. 3992194102 49. 3774920774 57. 0482866873Mol ecul e 2: 

| Geometry:<br>Mass(amu)<br>12.000<br>12.000                   | X(ang)<br>- 0. 4725<br>- 0. 9647  | Y(ang)<br>- 0. 6065<br>- 0. 6162  | Z(ang)<br>- 1. 8987<br>- 0. 4676  |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| $\begin{array}{c} 12.\ 000\\ 12.\ 000\\ 15.\ 995\end{array}$ | 3. 7281<br>- 1. 1912<br>- 1. 3926 | $-0.7006 \\ 0.4697 \\ 1.4355$     | 1.2559<br>0.2297<br>0.8498        |
| 13. 995<br>1. 008<br>1. 008                                  | - 1. 3920<br>- 1. 1384<br>0. 5010 | - 1. 5553<br>- 1. 0989            | 0. 8498<br>0. 0448<br>- 1. 9807   |
| $1.008 \\ 1.008 \\ 1.008$                                    | - 1. 1724<br>- 0. 3620<br>3. 3473 | - 1. 1305<br>0. 4118<br>- 0. 6898 | - 2. 5562<br>- 2. 2760<br>2. 2671 |
|  |                                   |                                   |                                   |

1.008 3.9010 - 1. 6416 0.7534 1.008 3. 9293 0.2301 0.7451 Frequencies (cm-1): Imaginary Frequency: -34.54085390450. 0Ŏ0 0. 0Ŏ0 0.000 14.635 23.461 138.150 210.368 503.579 514.800 653. 846 1077. 737 557.956 897.628 1049.609 1149.037 1397.007 1396.023 1405.498 1412.549 1479.190 1504.955 2210.270 3006.952 3056.483 3088.211 3090.499 3164.881 3267.423 3268.408 External Symmetry = 1.0 Principal Moments of Inertia = 124.048704451 320.620425237 419.025335052 Electronic Degeneracy = 2Thermodynamic Data Translational Contributions Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 1000.00 1500.00 800.00 Entropy 38.70 38.73 40.16 41.27 42.17 44.71 43.60 46.73 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 Ср 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 dH 1.48 1.49 1.99 2.48 2.98 3.97 4.97 7.45 2.39e+07 4. 91e+07 8.58e+07 2.35e+07 1.35e+08 qtrans 2. 78e+08 4.85e+08 1.34e+09 Translational Contributions Temperature 298.15 Entropy 38.70 4.97 Cp 1.48 dĤ gtrans 2.35e+07 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 1000.00 1500.00 800. 00 Entropy 120.76 120.90 127.30 133.15 138.56 156.95 148.32 174.92 20.23 20.32 24.37 28.05 31.27 Ср 36.59 40.76 47.59 4.27 dH 4.31 6.54 9.17 12.15 18.96 26.72 49.02 \_vi b 1.84e+23 1.93e+23 1.76e+24 1.23e+257.19e+25 1. 71e+27 2.89e+28 1. 22e+31 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: 298.15 Temperature Entropy 120.77 20.24 Cp 4.27 dĦ 1.84e+23 q\_vi b

| External | Rotati ona | l Contribu | uti ons   |           |           |           |
|----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Tempera  |            | 298.00     | 300.00    | 400.00    | 500.00    | 600.00    |
| 800. 00  | 1000.00    | ) 1500.    | 00        |           |           |           |
| Ent      | ropy       | 28.12      | 28.14     | 29.00     | 29.66     | 30. 20    |
| 31.06    | 31.73      | 32. 9      | 94        |           |           |           |
|          | Ср         | 2.98       | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98      |
| 2.98     | 2.98       | 2.98       | 3         |           |           |           |
|          | dH         | 0.89       | 0.89      | 1.19      | 1.49      | 1.79      |
| 2.38     | 2.98       | 4. 47      | 7         |           |           |           |
| Q        | _rot 311   | 619.91     | 314762.28 | 484608.24 | 677260.60 | 890282.18 |
| 1370679. |            | 2.26 3519  |           |           |           |           |
|          |            |            |           |           |           |           |

| External | Rotatio | nal Contril | outions |
|----------|---------|-------------|---------|
| Temperat | cure    | 298.15      |         |
| • Enti   | ropy    | 28.12       |         |
|          |         | 2 00        |         |

| 2.98       |
|------------|
| 0.89       |
| 311855. 23 |
|            |

Hf 298 S298 Cps: 23. 4534058958 268. 009666095 28. 1816598195 28. 2643232541 32. 3165520974 35. 9976448317 39. 2201124327 44. 5390553216 48. 7123620871 55. 5411980942

| ified Arrhe | nius format   |  |   |
|-------------|---|--|---|
| ^n*exp(-Ea/ | R/T) 4. 37e+37  | 1.60   | 36.61   |
| - Ea/R/T)   | 7. 03e+32 1. 60   | 36.61  |   |
| Rate        | Fit Rate  |  |   |
| 9. 21e+09   | 9.00e+09  |  |   |
| 1. 40e+10   | 1. 37e+10   |  |   |
| 9. 53e+16   | 1.01e+17  |  |   |
| 1. 39e+21   | 1. 44e+21   |  |   |
| 8. 95e+23   | 8.96e+23  |  |   |
| 3. 21e+27   | 3.06e+27  |  |   |
| 4. 61e+29   | 4. 37e+29   |  |   |
| 3. 70e+32   | 3. 88e+32   |  |   |
|             | ^n*exp(-Ea/<br>-Ea/R/T)<br>Rate<br>9.21e+09<br>1.40e+10<br>9.53e+16<br>1.39e+21<br>8.95e+23<br>3.21e+27<br>4.61e+29 | $\begin{array}{rrrrr} - Ea/R/T) & 7.\ 03e+32 & 1.\ 60 \\ & Rate & Fit Rate \\ 9.\ 21e+09 & 9.\ 00e+09 \\ 1.\ 40e+10 & 1.\ 37e+10 \\ 9.\ 53e+16 & 1.\ 01e+17 \\ 1.\ 39e+21 & 1.\ 44e+21 \\ 8.\ 95e+23 & 8.\ 96e+23 \\ 3.\ 21e+27 & 3.\ 06e+27 \\ 4.\ 61e+29 & 4.\ 37e+29 \end{array}$ | <pre>^n*exp(-Ea/R/T) 4.37e+37 1.60 -Ea/R/T) 7.03e+32 1.60 36.61 Rate Fit Rate 9.21e+09 9.00e+09 1.40e+10 1.37e+10 9.53e+16 1.01e+17 1.39e+21 1.44e+21 8.95e+23 8.96e+23 3.21e+27 3.06e+27 4.61e+29 4.37e+29</pre> |

Rate Data: Arrhenius format  $r = A^* \exp(-Ea/R/T)$  1.04e-1.04e+38 38.36 Temperature Rate Fit Rate 298. 00 300. 00 7. 71e+09 1. 19e+10 9. 21e+09 1. 40e+10 400.00 9. 53e+16 1.15e+17 500.00 1.39e+21 1.79e+21 8. 95e+23 1.11e+24 600.00 800.00 3. 21e+27 3.46e+27 4. 61e+29 1000.00 4. 31e+29 1500.00 3. 70e+32 2.68e+32

 $a-M3 \rightarrow a-P3$ 

Molecule 1:

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| Geometry:<br>Mass(amu)<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>12.000<br>1.008<br>15.995<br>15.995<br>1.008 | X(ang)<br>0. 0545<br>- 0. 2440<br>1. 1756<br>1. 2191<br>1. 8258<br>1. 5330<br>- 0. 8942<br>- 0. 9250<br>- 0. 3016<br>0. 7257<br>- 0. 8484<br>- 1. 9040 | Y(ang)<br>-0. 5617<br>0. 1136<br>0. 6159<br>1. 6827<br>0. 1032<br>0. 4477<br>0. 2834<br>1. 3435<br>-0. 2236<br>-0. 5226<br>-0. 4055<br>-0. 1233          | Z(ang<br>- 1. 890<br>0. 670<br>0. 528<br>0. 770<br>1. 244<br>- 0. 483<br>2. 032<br>2. 800<br>- 2. 611<br>- 0. 243<br>2. 014 | 02<br>67<br>67<br>69<br>69<br>23<br>29<br>01<br>15<br>62<br>29 |           |         |                |
|--|--|--|---|--|-----------|---------|----------------|
| Frequenci es<br>0. 000<br>126. 023<br>488. 051<br>566. 851<br>897. 831<br>1246. 511<br>1456. 498<br>1481. 012<br>3019. 556<br>3129. 722  | (cm-1):<br>49.103<br>185.296<br>548.206<br>792.051<br>1089.470<br>1384.554<br>1458.426<br>1766.082<br>3069.001<br>3131.487                             | $\begin{array}{c} 82.\ 772\\ 398.\ 730\\ 562.\ 229\\ 885.\ 497\\ 1117.\ 295\\ 1390.\ 678\\ 1468.\ 810\\ 3012.\ 590\\ 3076.\ 585\\ 3493.\ 968\end{array}$ |   |  |           |         |                |
| External Syn<br>Principal M<br>Electronic 1  | oments of  | Inertia =  | 54. 62588   | 345077   | 216. 8652 | 32259   | 265. 262297596 |
|  | al Contrib<br>e 298<br>1000.00   | . 00 3<br>1500. 00   | 300. 00   | 400.   |           | 500. 00 | 600.00         |
| Entrop<br>43. 77   | y 38<br>44.87  | . 86<br>46. 89   | 38. 89  | 40.  | 32        | 41. 43  | 42.34          |
| C]<br>4. 97  | 2 4<br>4.97  | . 97<br>4. 97  | 4.97  | 4.   | 97        | 4.97    | 4.97           |
| d  | H 1  | . 48<br>7. 45  | 1.49  | 1.   | 99        | 2.48    | 2.98           |
| 3.97<br>qtrans<br>3.01e+08<br>Translations<br>Temperature<br>Entropy<br>Cj<br>di<br>qtrans   | 5. 27e+08<br>al Contrib<br>e 298<br>y 38<br>b 4<br>H 1   | +07 2.6<br>1.45e+0<br>utions<br>.15<br>.86<br>.97<br>.48   | 60e+07<br>)9  | 5. 33e+  | -07 9.    | 31e+07  | 1. 47e+08      |
| Vi brati onal<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature<br>800.00   |  |  | 300. 00   | 400.   | 00        | 500. 00 | 600. 00        |

| Entropy  | 51.82                                    | 51.95  | 58.13     | 63. 98    | 69.50     |
|--|--|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 79. 59 88. 58<br>Cp  | 18.96                                    | 19. 07 | 24.05     | 28. 41    | 32.12     |
| 38. 01 42. 44<br>dH<br>18. 21 26. 28                                 | 49. 49<br>3. 29<br>49. 49                | 3. 33  | 5.49      | 8.12      | 11.16     |
| q_vi b 8.  | 49.49<br>14e+08 8.4<br>13 1.72e+1        |        | 5.05e+09  | 2. 70e+10 | 1. 33e+11 |
| Vibrational Contri<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature<br>Entropy<br>Cp<br>dH |  |        |           |           |           |
| External Rotationa   |  |        |           |           |           |
| Temperature<br>800.00 1000.00  | 298.00 3<br>0 1500.00                    | 300.00 | 400.00    | 500.00    | 600.00    |
| Entropy  | 26.46                                    | 26.48  | 27.34     | 28.00     | 28.55     |
| 29. 40 30. 07<br>Cp  | 31.28<br>2.98                            | 2.98   | 2. 98     | 2.98      | 2.98      |
| 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH  | 2.98<br>0.89                             | 0.89   | 1.19      | 1.49      | 1.79      |
|  | 4. 47<br>5314. 81 1366<br>3. 85 1528121. |        | 210431.58 | 294087.07 | 386587.50 |

External Rotational Contributions 298. 15 26. 46 2. 98 0. 89 Temperature Entropy Čp dH q\_rot 135416.99

Hf298 S298 Cps: -52. 573507791 118. 531811283 26. 9134765946 27. 0173362057 31. 9942142531 36. 3601961889 40. 069798234 45. 9551988594 50. 3931087461 57. 4375440433Mol ecul e 2: ----

| Geometry: | $\mathbf{V}(\ldots)$ | V(        | $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})$ |
|-----------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| Mass(amu) | X(ang)               | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)                               |
| 1.008     | - 0. 6838            | - 0. 0014 | - 5. 2419                            |
| 12.000    | 0. 2124              | 0.0000    | 1.7005                               |
| 12.000    | 1.6176               | - 0. 0040 | 2.2765                               |
| 1.008     | 1.7628               | 0.8574    | 2. 9361                              |
| 1.008     | 1.7729               | - 0. 9008 | 2.8849                               |
| 1.008     | 2.3467               | 0. 0215   | 1.4680                               |
| 12.000    | - 0. 9253            | 0.0064    | 2.7064                               |
| 1.008     | -0.8706              | 0.9036    | 3. 3315                              |
| 1.008     | - 0. 8465            | - 0. 8546 | 3. 3776                              |
| 15.995    | - 0. 7907            | - 0. 0002 | - 6. 2112                            |

15.995 0.0110 -0.0021 0.5078 1.008 - 1.8799 -0.0187 2.1828 Frequencies (cm-1): Imaginary Frequency: -39.265043946449.668 124.666 81.008 186.959 393.404 486.873 558. 343 947. 382 492.927 530.935 756.427 880.569 1094.342 1118.661 1239.410 1447.341 1380.304 1391.020 1483.427 1451.416 1470.594 1770.852 2943.357 3014.211 3034.895 3094.436 3124.615 3136.440 3583.348 External Symmetry = 1.0 Principal Moments of Inertia = 59.4213157595 896.817943285 950.002436348 Electronic Degeneracy = 2Thermodynamic Data Translational Contributions Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 1500.00 800. 00 1000.00 Entropy 38.86 38.89 40.32 41.43 42.34 44.87 43.77 46.89 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 Ср 4.97 4.97 4.97 4.97 dH 1.48 1.49 1.99 2.48 2.98 3.97 4.97 7.45 2.60e+07 2.55e+07 5. 33e+07 9.31e+07 1.47e+08 qtrans 3. 01e+08 5. 27e+08 1.45e+09 Translational Contributions Temperature 298.15 Entropy 38.86 4.97 Cp 1.48 dĤ gtrans 2.56e+07 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.00 300.00 400.00 500.00 600.00 800. **0**0 1000.00 1500.00 Entropy 18.38 18.49 24.16 29.60 34.77 44.32 52.87 70.78 17.21 22.22 17.31 26.54 30.23 Ср 36.08 40.50 47.52 dH 2.75 2.78 4.76 7.21 10.06 16.72 24.41 46.64 q\_vi b 1.00e+02 1.04e+02 4.75e+02 2.07e+03 8.63e+03 1. 31e+05 1.66e+06 4.73e+08 Vibrational Contributions Entropy: Temperature 298.15 Entropy 18.39 17.21 Cp 2.75 dĦ 1.01e+02 q\_vi b

| External | Rotationa         | l Contrib | outions   |           |            |            |
|----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Tempera  | ature             | 298.00    | 300.00    | 400.00    | 500.00     | 600.00     |
| 800. ÕO  | 1000.00           | 1500      | ). 00     |           |            |            |
| Ent      | ropy              | 29.22     | 29.24     | 30.10     | 30. 76     | 31.31      |
| 32.17    | <sup>3</sup> 2.83 | 34.       | 04        |           |            |            |
|          | Ср                | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98      | 2.98       | 2.98       |
| 2.98     | 2.98              | 2. 9      | )8        |           |            |            |
|          | dH                | 0.89      | 0.89      | 1.19      | 1.49       | 1.79       |
| 2.38     | 2.98              | 4.4       | 17        |           |            |            |
| C        | <b></b> rot 543   | 123. 99   | 548600.85 | 844626.26 | 1180401.08 | 1551677.52 |
| 2388963. |                   | 8.44 613  |           |           |            |            |

| External Rotat | ional Contributions |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Temperature    | 298.15              |
| Entropy        | 29. 22              |
| Ĉp             | 2.98                |
| dĤ             | 0.89                |
| q_rot          | 543534.12           |

q\_rot

Hf298 S298 Cps: -41. 4293305224 206. 380741441 25. 1547510188 25. 2571599841 30. 1689008926 34. 4924885403 38. 1764070373 44. 0329543853 48. 452811372 55. 4709797046

| Rate Data: Modi            | fied Arrhe  | nius format     |       |      |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------|------|
| $r = A^*(T/1000)^{\prime}$ | ^n*exp(-Ea/ | (R/T) 3. 42e+06 | 0. 05 | 6.06 |
| $r = A*T^n*exp(-$          | Ea/R/T)     | 2. 49e+06 0. 05 | 6.06  |      |
| Temperature                | Rate        | Fit Rate        |       |      |
| 298.00                     | 1.17e+02    | 1.17e+02        |       |      |
| 300.00                     | 1.26e+02    | 1.26e+02        |       |      |
| 400.00                     | 1.61e+03    | 1. 61e+03       |       |      |
| 500.00                     | 7.46e+03    | 7. 47e+03       |       |      |
| 600.00                     | 2.08e+04    | 2.08e+04        |       |      |
| 800.00                     | 7.51e+04    | 7. 50e+04       |       |      |
| 1000.00                    | 1.63e+05    | 1.62e+05        |       |      |
| 1500.00                    | 4.56e+05    | 4. 57e+05       |       |      |
|                            |             |                 |       |      |

Rate Data: Arrhenius format  $r = A^* \exp(-Ea/R/T)$  3.51e-Temperature Rate 298.00 1.17e+02 300.00 1.26e+02 3. 51e+06 6.11 Fit Rate 1.17e+02 1.25e+02 400.00 1.61e+03 1.62e+03 500.00 7.46e+03 7.52e+03 2.09e+04 600.00 2.08e+04 800.00 7.51e+04 7.53e+04 1. 63e+05 1.62e+05 1000.00 1500.00 4. 56e+05 4. 52e+05

# a-Qp2 $\rightarrow$ a-P4

Molecule 1:

| <b>a</b> .   |           |                    |           |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Geometry:    |           |                    | _/ 、      |
| Mass(amu)    | X(ang)    | Y(ang)             | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000       | 1.0052    | - 0. 0262          | - 2. 0957 |
| 12.000       | 1.3246    | -0.4657            | - 0. 6503 |
|              | 2. 8293   |                    |           |
| 12.000       |           | -0.4401            | -0.3736   |
| 12.000       | 0. 5832   | 0. 4061            | 0.3557    |
| 12.000       | - 0. 9722 | 0. 3806            | 0.4074    |
| 15.995       | - 1. 5477 | - 0. 6880          | -0.3776   |
| 15. 995      | - 1. 1848 | - 1. 9654          | 0. 2106   |
|              |           |                    |           |
| 15.995       | 1.1532    | 1.1612             | 1.1100    |
| 12.000       | - 1. 4473 | 0. 3271            | 1.8174    |
| 12.000       | - 1. 4931 | 1.6468             | - 0. 3103 |
| 1.008        | 0.9407    | - 1. 4814          | -0.5234   |
| 1.008        | 1. 5756   | - 0. 6413          | - 2. 7960 |
|              |           |                    |           |
| 1.008        | - 0. 0532 | -0.1479            | - 2. 3238 |
| 1.008        | 1. 2913   | 1.0174             | - 2. 2585 |
| 1.008        | 3.0507    | - 0. 7609          | 0.6462    |
| 1.008        | 3.3490    | - 1. 1049          | - 1. 0683 |
|              | 3. 2290   | 0. 5695            | - 0. 4924 |
| 1.008        |           |                    |           |
| 1.008        | - 2. 4973 | 0. 1331            | 2.0019    |
| 1.008        | - 0. 7957 | 0.6204             | 2.6266    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 9589 | - 2. 1471          | 0.7616    |
| 1.008        | - 1. 0769 | 2. 5240            | 0. 1852   |
|              |           | 2. J240<br>1. 0777 |           |
| 1.008        | - 2. 5822 | 1.6777             | - 0. 2519 |
| 1.008        | - 1. 1943 | 1.6512             | - 1. 3600 |
|              |           |                    |           |
| Frequenci es | (cm-1):   |                    |           |
| 61. 902      | 72.552    | 161. 793           |           |
|              | 16.336    |                    |           |
| 194. 022     | 205.333   | 215.944            |           |
| 218. 270     | 227.709   | 246.408            |           |
| 261.698      | 273. 602  | 302.741            |           |
| 312.174      | 329.975   | 364.883            |           |
| 401. 120     | 462. 205  | 520. 182           |           |
|              | 402.203   |                    |           |
| 566.356      | 601.978   | 687.730            |           |
| 759.655      | 844. 425  | 876. 733           |           |
| 913. 391     | 936. 583  | 945. 991           |           |
| 973. 244     | 995.022   | 1027.227           |           |
| 1055. 010    | 1117.664  | 1133. 278          |           |
|              |           | 1007 400           |           |
| 1192.825     | 1211.601  | 1237.460           |           |
| 1315. 281    | 1358.460  | 1376. 075          |           |
| 1388. 401    | 1398. 112 | 1417.171           |           |
| 1425. 133    | 1477.691  | 1483. 288          |           |
| 1486. 267    | 1491.836  | 1500.654           |           |
|              | 1431.000  |                    |           |
| 1518.453     | 1773.901  | 3015.352           |           |
| 3022.649     | 3032. 782 | 3052.944           |           |
| 3077.487     | 3090. 799 | 3095.834           |           |
| 3107. 128    | 3117.240  | 3123. 731          |           |
| 3131.600     | 3259. 319 | 3746. 965          |           |
| 5151.000     | 3239. 319 | 3740. 903          |           |
|              |           |                    |           |

External Symmetry = 1.0Principal Moments of Inertia = 293.207035407 475.362187451 535.059192039 Electronic Degeneracy = 2

Thermodynamic Data

| Translational Contributions  |            |             |            |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|
| Temperature         298.00         300.00           800.00         1000.00         1500.00   | 400. 00    | 500.00      | 600.00     |
| Entropy 40. 83 40. 86<br>45. 73 46. 84 48. 85  | 42.29      | 43. 40      | 44. 30     |
| Cp 4. 97 4. 97   | 4.97       | 4.97        | 4.97       |
| dH 1.48 1.49   | 1.99       | 2.48        | 2.98       |
| 3. 97 4. 97 7. 45<br>qtrans 6. 86e+07 6. 98e+07<br>8. 10e+08 1. 42e+09 3. 90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298. 15<br>Entropy 40. 83<br>Cp 4. 97<br>dH 1. 48<br>qtrans 6. 87e+07 | 1. 43e+08  | 2. 50e+08   | 3.95e+08   |
| Vibrational Contributions  |            |             |            |
| Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00  | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600. 00    |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 36. 97 37. 25   | 50.68      | 63.46       | 75. 53     |
| 97. 53<br>Cp 41. 01<br>82. 58<br>91. 62<br>105. 57<br>41. 24   | 52.45      | 62.14       | 70. 19     |
| dH 6. 21 6. 29   | 10. 99     | 16.74       | 23. 38     |
| 38. 74       56. 23       105. 98         q_vi b       3. 34e+03       3. 59e+03         5. 39e+10       1. 90e+13       7. 87e+18   | 1.17e+05   | 3. 56e+06   | 9.80e+07   |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 36.99<br>Cp 41.02<br>dH 6.22<br>q_vib 3.36e+03  |            |             |            |
| External Rotational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00   | 400. 00    | 500. 00     | 600. 00    |
| 800. 00 1000. 00 1500. 00<br>Entropy 29. 61 29. 63   | 30. 48     | 31. 15      | 31.69      |
| 32. 55 33. 22 34. 42<br>Cp 2. 98 2. 98   | 2. 98      | 2. 98       | 2.98       |
| 2. 98 2. 98 2. 98<br>dH 0. 89 0. 89  | 1.19       | 1.49        | 1. 79      |
| 2. 38 2. 98 4. 47<br>q_rot 659194. 81 665842. 12<br>2899508. 33 4052186. 08 7444341. 18  | 1025131.00 | 1432664. 13 | 1883285.91 |

| External | Rotati ona | al Contribution | ıs |
|----------|------------|-----------------|----|
| Temperat | ture       | 298.15          |    |
| ÊEnti    | ropy       | 29.61           |    |
|          | Čp         | 2.98            |    |
|          | dĤ         | 0.89            |    |

# Hf 298 S298 Cps: -62. 9375650765 108. 804291829 48. 9543302547 49. 1893351467 60. 3978173105 70. 0839492159 78. 142220668 90. 5304596092 99. 5639975706 113. 515686605Mol ecul e 2:

### Geometry: Mass

| eometry:  |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mass(amu) | X(ang)    | Y(ang)    | Z(ang)    |
| 12.000    | 1. 2308   | - 0. 5666 | - 2. 1880 |
| 12.000    | 1.2564    | - 0. 5492 | - 0. 6577 |
| 12.000    | 2.7000    | - 0. 5180 | - 0. 1129 |
| 12.000    | 0. 5103   | 0.6733    | -0.1246   |
| 12.000    | - 0. 1353 | 0.6480    | 1.2454    |
| 15. 995   | - 1. 9360 | - 1. 3152 | - 0. 9865 |
| 15. 995   | - 2. 5544 | - 1. 2461 | 0. 1852   |
| 15.995    | 0.4594    | 1.7060    | - 0. 7617 |
| 12.000    | - 0. 0985 | - 0. 4322 | 2.0405    |
| 12.000    | - 0. 8162 | 1. 9281   | 1.6442    |
| 1.008     | 0.7603    | - 1. 4530 | - 0. 2959 |
| 1.008     | 1.7969    | - 1. 4226 | - 2. 5644 |
| 1.008     | 0. 2049   | - 0. 6417 | - 2. 5526 |
| 1.008     | 1.6682    | 0.3493    | - 2. 5888 |
| 1.008     | 2.7273    | - 0. 5085 | 0. 9796   |
| 1.008     | 3. 2507   | - 1. 3961 | - 0. 4593 |
| 1.008     | 3. 2206   | 0. 3733   | - 0. 4735 |
| 1.008     | 0.4053    | - 1. 3469 | 1.7551    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 5488 | - 0. 4155 | 3. 0278   |
| 1.008     | - 1. 8951 | - 0. 8502 | 0.8007    |
| 1.008     | - 0. 0979 | 2.7514    | 1.6433    |
| 1.008     | - 1. 2719 | 1.8486    | 2.6322    |
| 1.008     | - 1. 5816 | 2.1955    | 0. 9113   |
|           |           |           |           |

| Frequenci e | s (cm-1):  |                    |
|-------------|------------|--------------------|
| Imaginary   | Frequency: | -3.29973312645e-05 |
| 35.851      | 49.278     | 65. 120            |
| 76. 987     |            |                    |
|             | 202. 215   | 226.037            |
|             |            |                    |
| 229.671     | 267.879    | 315. 249           |
| 351.370     | 394.469    | 420. 493           |
| 427.845     | 493.166    | 590. 245           |
| 666.972     | 728.845    | 817.732            |
| 874.108     | 926.166    | 944. 947           |
| 969.160     |            |                    |
|             |            |                    |
| 1060. 570   |            |                    |
| 1126. 089   | 1175. 397  | 1198. 784          |
| 1287.983    | 1315.849   | 1384. 590          |
| 1398.916    | 1409.300   | 1415.899           |
| 1436.664    |            |                    |
| 1484.002    |            |                    |
|             |            |                    |
| 1499. 252   |            |                    |
| 1747.382    | 3013.895   | 3024. 769          |
| 3025.836    | 3048.054   | 3082.556           |
| 3083. 319   |            |                    |
|             |            |                    |
| 3106. 446   |            | 3124. 222          |
| 3212. 238   | 3419.609   |                    |
|             |            |                    |

External Symmetry = 1.0

| Principal Moments of Inertia = 394.87<br>Electronic Degeneracy = 2  | 4001193 500                                   | . 733362272  | 653. 302449748                                     |
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| Electronic Degeneracy = 2<br>Thermodynamic Data<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 40.83 40.86<br>45.73 46.84 48.85<br>Cp 4.97 4.97<br>dH 1.48 1.49<br>3.97 4.97 7.45<br>qtrans 6.86e+07 6.98e+07<br>8.10e+08 1.42e+09 3.90e+09<br>Translational Contributions<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 40.83<br>Cp 4.97<br>dH 1.48<br>qtrans 6.87e+07        | 400.00<br>42.29<br>4.97<br>1.99<br>1.43e+08   | 500. 00<br>43. 40<br>4. 97<br>2. 48<br>2. 50e+08   | 600.00<br>44.30<br>4.97<br>2.98<br>3.95e+08        |
| Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.00 300.00<br>800.00 1000.00 1500.00<br>Entropy 43.49 43.75<br>101.31 120.19 159.39<br>Cp 38.85 39.07<br>79.88 89.15 103.42<br>dH 6.43 6.51<br>37.55 54.52 103.13<br>$q_{vib}$ 6.13e+04 6.60e+04<br>7.62e+11 2.25e+14 6.42e+19<br>Vibrational Contributions<br>Entropy:<br>Temperature 298.15<br>Entropy 43.51<br>Cp 38.87<br>dH 6.44<br>$q_{vib}$ 6.17e+04 | 400.00<br>56.46<br>49.66<br>10.96<br>2.26e+06 | 500.00<br>68.60<br>59.17<br>16.42<br>6.55e+07      | 600.00<br>80.12<br>67.25<br>22.75<br>1.67e+09      |
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External Rotational Contributions

| Temperature | 298.15    |
|-------------|-----------|
| Entropy     | 30.15     |
| Čp          | 2.98      |
| dĤ          | 0.89      |
| q_rot       | 868222.14 |

Hf298 S298 Cps: - 53. 7897948549 224. 671356821 46. 8007492273 47. 0167658057 57. 6120331981 67. 1183047275 75. 2017612375 87. 8283443892 97. 0993533413 111. 371576968 Rate Data: Modified Arrhenius format  $r = A^{*}(T/1000)^{n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 5. 52e+14 - 0. 38 1.38  $r = A^{T^n} \exp(-Ea/R/T)$ 7. 57e+15 - 0. 38 1.38 Fit Rate Temperature Rate 298.00 8. 44e+13 8.45e+13 300.00 8. 55e+13 8.56e+13 1. 37e+14 1. 79e+14 1. 37e+14 400.00 500.00 1.78e+14 600.00 2. 11e+14 2. 10e+14 800.00 2.51e+14 2. 52e+14 1000.00 2.73e+14 2.75e+14 2.99e+14 2.98e+14 1500.00 Rate Data: Arrhenius format

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