

**Molecular Dynamics Simulation Study of the Stereo Reactions between Atomic
Oxygen Anion and Methane**

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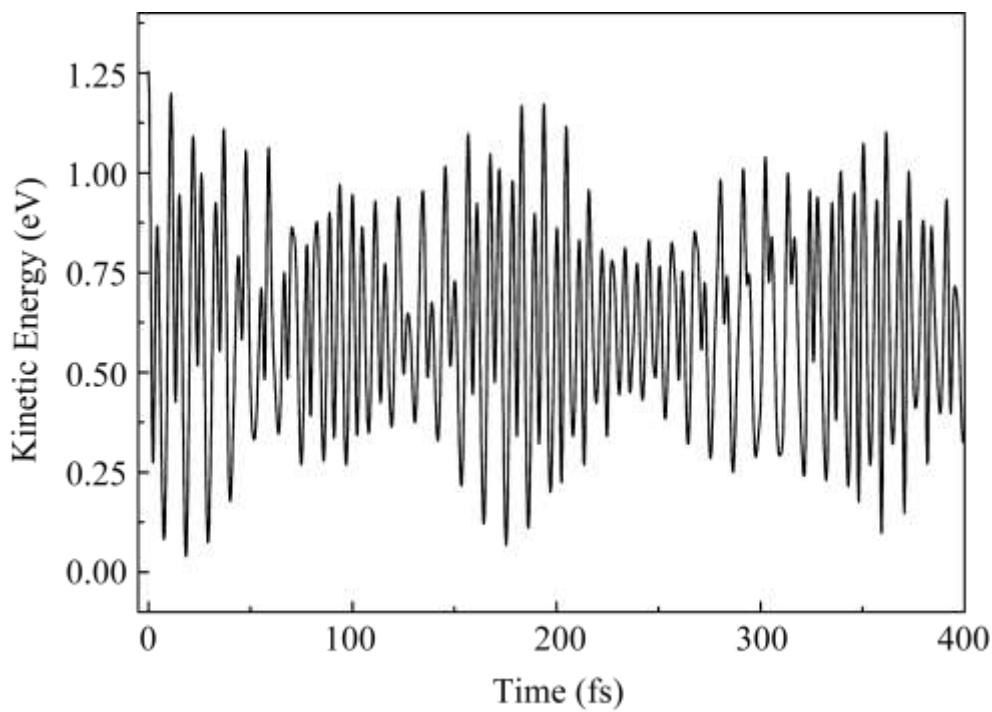


Figure S1. Variation of the kinetic energy for the equilibration process of the isolated CH_4 at the vibrational ground state.

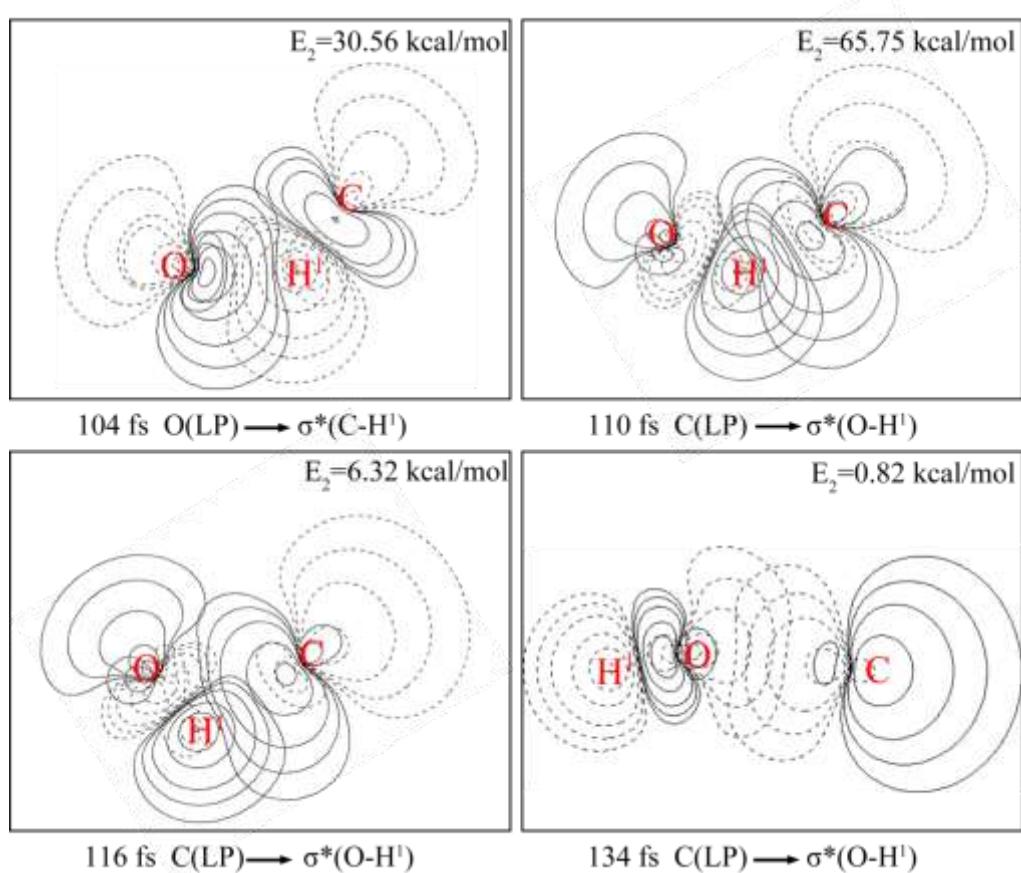


Figure S2. NBO contour maps of the charge transfers in one of the trajectory of the O^- (with the kinetic energy of 1.0 eV) reaction with the vibrating CH_4 . E₂ is the hyperconjugative energy and represents the strength of orbital-orbital interaction.

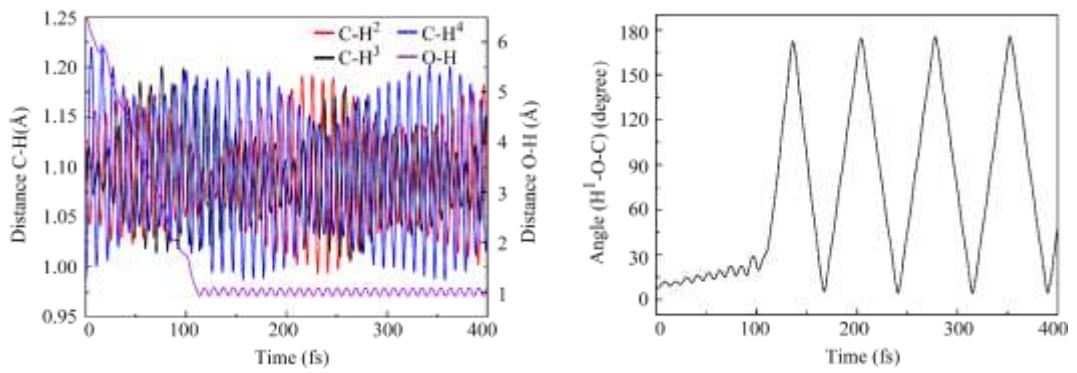


Figure S3. Evolution of the C-H atomic distance and dihedral angle in one of the trajectory of the O^- (with the kinetic energy of 1.0 eV) reaction with the vibrating CH_4 .

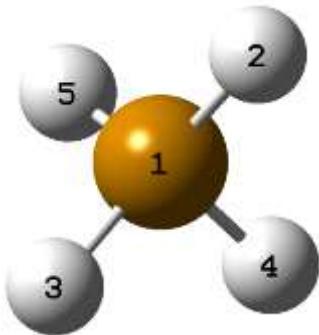


Figure S4. Atomic labels of methane molecule used in Tables S2 and S3.

Table S1. The Cartesian coordinates of the transition state possessing C_{3v} symmetry in the major pathway of the title reaction

MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p)				MP2/AUG-cc-pVTZ			
6	0.000000	0.000000	-1.110721	6	0.000000	0.000000	-1.112574
1	0.000000	1.041154	-1.419336	1	0.000000	1.042241	-1.418585
1	0.901666	-0.520577	-1.419336	1	0.902607	-0.521120	-1.418585
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1	0.000000	0.000000	0.196051	1	0.000000	0.000000	0.194466
8	0.000000	0.000000	1.340785	8	0.000000	0.000000	1.342091

Table S2. Charge distributions of the reactants and the products in the reactions of O⁻ with the initially fixed-structure CH₄. The charge values are obtained with natural bond orbital analysis

apex attack	fragment charge		center-of-plane attack		fragment charge		center-of-edge-angle attack		fragment charge	
fs	O	CH ₄	fs	O	CH ₄	fs	O	CH ₄		
0	-1.000	0.000	0	-0.999	-0.001	0	-1.000	-0.000		
82	-0.968	-0.032	25	-0.998	-0.002	23	-0.996	-0.004		
109	-1.016	0.016	56	-0.939	-0.061	64	-1.037	0.037		
	OH	CH ₃		OCH ₃	H		OCH ₃	H		
140	-0.994	-0.006	78	-1.000	0.000	79	-0.992	-0.008		

Table S3. Geometric parameters of methane molecule at the 10 moments of vibration*

CH ₄	bond distance (Å)					dihedral angle (°)		
	C ¹ -H ²	C ¹ -H ³	C ¹ -H ⁴	C ¹ -H ⁵	C ¹ -H ² -H ³ -H ⁴	C ¹ -H ² -H ³ -H ⁵	C ¹ -H ² -H ⁴ -H ⁵	C ¹ -H ³ -H ⁴ -H ⁵
200 fs	1.089	1.067	1.132	1.163	32.4	-40.1	41.0	-24.0
220 fs	1.183	1.151	1.274	1.181	35.2	-37.5	37.2	-31.0
240 fs	1.178	1.136	1.243	1.097	39.1	-32.8	32.6	-39.7
260 fs	1.130	1.069	1.095	0.948	40.9	-30.5	30.1	-40.4
280 fs	1.104	1.078	0.996	1.636	37.2	-38.0	34.6	-33.6
300 fs	1.129	1.105	0.996	1.239	33.8	-46.5	39.6	-22.2
320 fs	1.142	1.123	1.088	1.307	33.1	-48.4	41.3	-22.2
340 fs	1.097	1.118	1.151	1.212	34.8	-42.8	38.6	-32.5
360 fs	1.037	1.073	1.149	0.954	39.4	-32.9	32.1	-36.9
380 fs	1.035	1.090	1.192	1.044	41.1	-31.4	33.9	-36.5

*Atomic labels see Figure S4.

Table S4. The speeds (m/s) of individual atoms of methane molecule at the 10 moments of vibration*

200 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)	220 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)
C ¹	0.600	-0.168	0.321	C ¹	0.189	-0.628	0.074
H ²	-4.581	-5.198	-3.559	H ²	-3.594	-2.812	-1.582
H ³	3.880	2.639	-1.538	H ³	2.345	3.228	2.548
H ⁴	-6.655	3.365	3.303	H ⁴	-0.284	2.381	0.578
H ⁵	0.203	1.198	-2.029	H ⁵	-0.717	4.685	-2.421
240 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)	260 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)
C ¹	0.106	-0.328	0.333	C ¹	-0.254	0.581	0.445
H ²	-1.149	-0.092	1.367	H ²	0.968	0.676	2.686
H ³	-0.905	0.096	4.228	H ³	-0.655	-0.572	0.066
H ⁴	4.516	-1.778	-3.819	H ⁴	3.064	-4.591	-5.858
H ⁵	-3.721	5.678	-5.741	H ⁵	-0.351	-2.436	-2.198
280 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)	300 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)
C ¹	-0.394	1.103	0.244	C ¹	0.081	0.422	-0.022
H ²	1.672	-0.243	1.842	H ²	1.812	-0.365	0.754
H ³	0.542	-0.105	-3.798	H ³	0.052	-0.031	-2.652
H ⁴	-1.645	-2.833	-3.381	H ⁴	-4.631	1.437	1.097
H ⁵	4.121	-9.962	2.425	H ⁵	1.798	-6.063	1.066
320 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)	340 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)
C ¹	0.238	-0.720	-0.432	C ¹	0.326	-1.330	-0.376
H ²	1.843	1.301	0.603	H ²	1.989	2.965	1.026
H ³	-0.559	1.274	0.413	H ³	-2.076	0.815	3.025
H ⁴	-3.102	4.516	3.845	H ⁴	1.321	3.904	3.036
H ⁵	-1.018	1.489	0.279	H ⁵	-5.122	8.153	-2.604
360 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)	380 fs	X(*10 ³)	Y(*10 ³)	Z(*10 ³)
C ¹	0.307	-0.723	-0.123	C ¹	-0.215	0.623	-0.309
H ²	1.249	1.966	0.062	H ²	0.343	-0.206	-1.500
H ³	-2.049	0.052	0.808	H ³	-0.255	0.086	-3.879
H ⁴	1.058	2.117	2.030	H ⁴	-2.148	0.306	1.632
H ⁵	-3.917	4.482	-1.429	H ⁵	4.619	-7.612	7.430

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