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中文摘要



沸石已被廣泛應用於許多不同的領域,尤其是在石油精煉工業中。對具有不同孔隙 結構和組成的沸石進行催化性能預測將具有很高的價值。然而,傳統的諧振子模型 (Harmonic oscillator, HO)常常無法提供準確的熵或動力學性質計算,因為它忽 略了非諧振性。為了解決這些問題,我們使用了考慮獨立一維非谐位能曲面總和的 非耦合模式(Uncoupled mode, UM)方法。我們廣泛研究了包括UM-N、UM-VT、 UM-T、E-optimized 和 E'-optimized 等五種不同的位能曲面近似方法,發現UM-VT 和 UM-T 在預測氣相分子系統的熱力學和動力學性質和實驗值有很好的一致性。 我們還檢查了內座標系統的影響,發現相對於常見的內坐標(Redundant internal coordinate, RIC),使用移動-轉動-內坐標(Translation-rotation-internal coordinate, TRIC)系統和混合內坐標(Hybrid internal coordinate, HIC)系統可以更正確地計 算動力學性質。將 TRIC 內部座標搭配 UM 方法應用於 H-MFI 沸石上的烷烴裂解 反應,可以略微提高對內在活化熵(Intrinsic activation entropy)的估計,但還需要 進一步的改進才能達到化學準確性。

關鍵字:熱力學、動力學、沸石、量子化學計算、催化

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Abstract



Zeolites have been widely applied to many different fields, especially in oil refining industry. Prediction of catalytic performance for zeolites with different pore topologies and structure formations would be highly valuable. However, the conventional harmonic oscillator model often fails to provide accurate entropy or kinetic properties calculations due to the ignorance of anharmonic effects. To address these issues, we employed uncoupled mode (UM) methods that consider the sum of independent one-dimensional anharmonic potential energy surfaces. We extensively investigated five different potential energy surface sampling schemes including UM-N, UM-VT, UM-T, E-optimized, E'optimized and found that UM-VT, and UM-T perform well in predicting thermodynamic and kinetic properties in gas phase molecular systems. We also examined the impact of internal coordinate systems, finding that translation-rotation-internal coordinate (TRIC) system and hybrid internal coordinate (HIC) system outperform redundant internal coordinates (RIC) for kinetic property calculations. Applying UM methods with TRIC internal coordinates to alkane cracking reactions over H-MFI zeolite showed slight improvements in estimating intrinsic activation entropy, but further refinements are necessary to achieve chemical accuracy.

Keywords: Thermochemistry, Kinetics, Zeolites, Quantum chemical calculations,

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Chapter 1 Introduction



During the 18th century, a distinguished Swedish mineralogist Axel F. Cronstedt discovered a natural mineral that produced vapor when boiled at high temperatures, which he named zeolite.¹ Since then, zeolites have been extensively studied and so far, more than 200 different structures of zeolites have been discovered and synthesized, which are widely used as sorbents and catalysts in industry.^{2, 3} Zeolites are crystalline microporous solids composed of tetrahedrally coordinated silicates (SiO₄) with an open structure and innumerable pore channels, which are typically synthesized under hydrothermal conditions. Because of the small-scale pores, zeolites can selectively adsorb molecules and function as a molecular sieve, which has been extensively utilized in gas separation and storage in recent years.^{4, 5} The catalytically active sites in zeolites can be created through the substitution of framework silicon (Si) in the zeolite framework by an aluminum (Al) atom and a charge compensating proton (HAlO₄). Due to their excellent hydrothermal and chemical stability, zeolites with Brønsted acid or Lewis acid sites can serve as solid catalysts in various catalytic systems, including biomass conversion⁶⁻⁸, hydrocarbon cracking, and isomerization reactions.⁹⁻¹² In commercial applications, zeolite catalysts are heavily employed by the petroleum industry for fluidized catalytic cracking, representing 95% of the global zeolite consumption.¹³ Experimental studies

have shown that the adsorption and activation of hydrocarbons can be significantly influenced by the zeolite structure and composition.¹⁴⁻¹⁸ Since there are many known zeolite framework structures without applications, it is highly valuable to predict the effect of zeolite framework topology and composition on catalytic activity and selectivity.

Recent advancements in the accuracy and efficiency of quantum chemical methods along with rise in computational capacity have made it possible to employ first-principles theoretical methods for investigating the reaction mechanism and kinetics for various reactions catalyzed by zeolites.¹⁹⁻²¹ Specifically, density functional theory (DFT)^{22, 23} is most widely used for such purpose since it provides a good balance between computational simplicity and accuracy, whereas standard ab initio wave function theories such as MP2 and CCSD(T) scale with the fifth power and worse with the number of electrons. With ab initio calculations, the molecular-scale interactions between zeolite and adsorbate as well as the energetic change of catalytic reactions can be investigated. For comparison with experimental measurements such as equilibrium constants and reaction rates, the calculation of free energy differences, specifically entropies, is required. Unfortunately, calculating entropy contributions to free energies within chemical accuracy²⁴, namely 1 kcal mol⁻¹, is still challenging.²⁵⁻²⁸ Accurately determining energy levels is crucial to obtain thermodynamic or kinetic properties at finite temperatures, but

it can be a challenging task because modeling the full-dimensional potential energy surface (PES) is often computationally impractical, except for extremely small systems. To address this issue, the usual approach is to treat every vibrational mode as a harmonic oscillator (HO), which allows all frequencies and energy levels to be calculated through a normal mode analysis. However, the HO model has several limitations, especially for low-frequency modes where the potential energy surface often deviates significantly from a quadratic potential. For example, torsions and soft vibrational modes resulting from molecule-surface interactions are particularly difficult to model, making it unsuitable for accurately evaluating reaction rates and free energies of adsorption.²⁹⁻³² To account for anharmonicity, one approach is to scale the calculated harmonic frequencies using an empirical constant known as the scaling factor. However, the accuracy of the results heavily relies on the chosen level of theory, and there is no guarantee that this method will consistently improve the calculated thermodynamic properties.^{33, 34}

In order to accurately capture anharmonicity on the basis of harmonic oscillator, various methods have been proposed. Incorporate with coupled cluster theory (VCC)³⁵⁻ ³⁷, variational self-consistent field theory (VSCF)³⁸⁻⁴⁰, perturbation theory (VPT)⁴¹⁻⁴³ and configurational interaction (VCI)⁴⁴⁻⁴⁷, quartic force fields (QFFs)⁴⁸ can include higherorder Taylor expansions of PES, which have been shown to produce accurate

experimental vibrational frequencies and rotational constants for small systems. However, these methods are computationally demanding and are therefore limited to small molecules (typically less than 15 atoms).^{49, 50} On the other hand, ab initio molecular dynamics (AIMD) provides an alternative approach to account for anharmonicities in the vibrational spectra since there are no assumptions about the potential energy surface.^{50, 51} By conducting MD simulations directly and Fourier transforming the appropriate time correlation functions (FT-TCF), vibrational spectra and entropy effects can be included.⁵² However, one should note that AIMD is still computationally challenging for larger systems.⁵³ Such problem can be greatly mitigated by if the sum of independent onedimensional potentials is used to represent the full-dimensional PES. Employing uncoupled mode (UM) approximation, one can obtain energy levels by solving onedimensional Schrödinger equations with appropriate basis functions. This approach allows the treatment of anharmonicity with a computational cost that scales the same with system size as the standard harmonic oscillator (HO) approach.

However, the UM approximation has one significant drawback since it ignores coupling effects. The accuracy of the UM method depends on how the one-dimensional potentials are defined. The simplest approach to determine the one-dimensional potentials is to sample the PES along each normal mode direction (UM-N), which introduces artificial coupling between torsional and vibrational motions. This method is not suitable for reproducing torsional potentials accurately.⁵⁴ To overcome this limitation, UM-VT separately samples the PESs along the torsional coordinates and the eigenvectors of the projected Hessian matrix. UM-VT can perform better than UM-N in calculating thermodynamic properties as shown in the previous study.⁵⁴ As for mode coupling, two methods, E-optimized and E'-optimized, can be used to determine the optimal vibrational directions to modulate coupling effects for vibrational frequency calculations.⁵⁵ By employing unitary rotations of the vibrational basis, the E-optimized method aims to minimize the overall squared off-diagonal coupling. On the other hand, the E'-optimized method focuses on minimizing the total squared change in off-diagonal coupling through unitary rotations of the vibrational basis.



Figure 1.1 Graphical illustration of the uncoupled mode approximation.

In addition to UM approaches that sample along different directions, the selection of coordinate systems can affect the performance of the UM approach as well. Non-linear motion such as bond bending mode and torsional modes are notoriously difficult to address within Cartesian coordinates, where strong artificial coupling between modes would be induced.³² An alternative way is to describe vibrational motion by using redundant internal coordinates (RIC).56 However, standard internal coordinate representations may not be appropriate for transition state species containing multiple molecular fragments which cannot be well defined by the bond, bend and dihedral coordinates. Prior research has demonstrated that the incorporation of additional external coordinates can enhance the representation of intermolecular motions in primitive internal coordinate systems. For instance, a novel coordinate system, translation-rotation-internal coordinates (TRIC), introduced translational and rotational coordinates for each molecular fragment.⁵⁷ Another coordinate system proposed method by Billeter and Thiel is the hybrid delocalized internal coordinates (HDLC), which combines primitive internals with Cartesian coordinates of individual atoms.⁵⁸ These hybrid coordinate systems have shown promising results in enhancing geometry optimization convergence. Nevertheless, the utilization of these coordinate systems to enhance the performance of

the UM model in thermodynamic and kinetic calculations has not been extensively explored to date.

In this work, we applied UM methods to both gas phase and zeolitic systems. First, thermodynamic quantities as well as kinetic properties for gas-phase reactions were systematically tested with different UM approaches in various coordinate systems and sampling schemes to evaluate their accuracy. The UM-VT and UM-T methods are found to outperform the other methods in heat capacity, entropy, and pre-exponential factor calculations, while there is no significant difference in enthalpy calculations. Using UM-VT also results in low errors for pre-exponential factors and activation energies, making it a cost-effective method for calculating thermochemistry and kinetic properties for medium- or large-systems. In the second case, we examined the UM approaches within n-alkane cracking reaction in H-MFI. H-MFI zeolite features for its shape selectivity, hydrothermal stability, and anti-coking properties, making it a popular choice for fluid catalytic cracking (FCC), a critical process in the oil refining industry.⁵⁹⁻⁶¹ Besides, substantial theoretical and experimental studies on adsorption and alkane cracking reaction of in zeolites have been made^{10, 12, 59, 60, 62, 63}, which makes it a suitable model system for evaluating UM approaches. The results suggested that UM methods can improve the accuracy of intrinsic activation entropy calculations compared to HO methods; however, further corrections such as multiple-structural approach or relax sampling of torsional PES need to be done to comprehensively capture the anharmonicity inside complex reaction systems.

Chapter 2 Methods

2.1 Uncoupled Mode Approximation

The details of UM-N, UM-T and UM-VT can be seen in the previously published work.⁶⁴ UM-N generates one-dimensional potentials for each mode by deforming the geometry in internal coordinates along the direction of the normal mode. A single point calculation is performed for each distorted geometry, and a 1-D PES is interpolated using cubic spline line, as demonstrated in Figure 2.1. In contrast, UM-T and UM-VT project the torsional modes out from the Hessian matrix prior to solving the normal mode problem, to separate them from the vibrational modes. The potentials for torsion are sampled along the torsional coordinate of rotors. UM-T considers other vibrational modes as independent harmonic oscillators, while UM-VT generates potentials for other vibrational modes along the eigenvectors of the projected Hessian matrix. Apart from UM-N, UM-T, and UM-VT, we also explored alternative methods for constructing potentials that minimize mode-mode coupling. Using the matrix V', which consists of 3N-6 eigenvectors derived from the mass-weighted Hessian computed at a stationary point, it is possible to generate an improved set of vibrational coordinates. This involve applying unitary transformations using a vector of angles, θ , to rotate pairs of eigenvectors, resulting in the creation of a new basis, V

$$V = V'U(\theta) \tag{1}$$

where $U(\theta)$ is constructed by combining a series of Jacobi rotations that maintain the orthonormality of *V*. The value of θ was obtained using two optimization methods, E-optimized and E'-optimized, as proposed by Zimmerman et al.⁵⁵ These approaches begin by computing Hessians at the stationary position and at a grid point for each normal mode, with displacements corresponding to the natural length along each mode. In the case of E-optimized method, the value of θ is selected to minimize the overall squared off-diagonal coupling in the 3N - 6 Hessians

$$E = \sum_{m=0}^{3N-6} \sum_{i< j}^{3N-6} (\tilde{H}_{ij}^m)^2$$
(2)

with

$$\widetilde{H}^m_{ij} = V^T H^m V \tag{3}$$

where H^m is the *m*th mass-weighted Hessian, and m = 0 denotes the minimum energy geometry. As for E'-optimized, the total squared change in off-diagonal coupling E' is minimized instead

$$E' = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{i < j}^{3N-6} (\tilde{H}_{ij}^m - \tilde{H}_{ij}^0)^2$$
(4)

This strategy aims to minimizing the third derivatives of the energy, while allowing for potentially significant second-order couplings. To break the symmetry, all pairs of eigenvectors were initially rotated by 1 degree before performing the optimization of E and E'. Subsequently, consecutive Jacobi sweeps were carried out over the M(M - 1)/2 angles until the minimization was achieved.



Figure 2.1 Illustration of UM methods (a) sampling of the PES of bending motion of propane (b) sampling of the PES of torsional motion of propane using UM-VT scheme.

2.2 Coordinate Systems

To avoid unrealistic distortions in the geometry of nonlinear modes like bond bends and torsions, it is recommended to sample one-dimensional potential energy surfaces (PES) using internal coordinates instead of Cartesian coordinates.^{32, 65} When sampling the PES in internal coordinates, it is necessary to convert them back to Cartesian coordinates through iterative back-transformation. However, if the chosen internal coordinates are not suitable for the system, the back-transformation may fail to converge, resulting in Cartesian coordinates that do not match the desired internal coordinate values. This issue often arises with transition state species that involve multiple molecular fragments, as the large-amplitude intermolecular motion often result in nearly-linear bend, which makes dihedral angles inadequate to describe such motion. It becomes a serious problem in the case of the uncoupled mode (UM) model, as incorrect steps can lead to deviations between the sampled PES and the actual one, introducing significant errors in energy level and partition function calculations. Therefore, it is essential to choose an appropriate internal coordinate representation that facilitates the transformation between internal and Cartesian coordinate systems for the UM method.

Three internal coordinate systems were investigated in this work, including redundant internal coordinates (RIC), hybrid internal coordinates (HIC), and translation-

rotation-internal coordinates (TRIC). The implementation of HIC and TRIC internal coordinate systems followed previously proposed schemes, which can be found in the published literatures.^{57, 58} RIC employs basic internal coordinates commonly used in geometry optimization, such as bond lengths, bend angles, and dihedral angles. Bonds are identified when the distance between two atoms is less than 1.2 times the sum of their covalent radii, and in the case of molecules with multiple fragments, bonds are established based on the closest distance between each fragment. In HIC, the Cartesian coordinates of each atom are added to the basic internal coordinates to describe collective intramolecular and intermolecular movements. TRIC incorporates three translational and three rotational coordinates as degrees of freedom for each fragment in addition to the internal coordinates, providing a description of the relative position and orientation between these fragments.

2.3 Zeolite Modeling

Cracking of n-alkane on H-MFI zeolite were calculated utilizing quantum mechanics/molecular mechanics (QM/MM) approach, which achieve a trade-off between computational cost and accuracy.^{66, 67} The H-MFI zeolite are modeled by a T437 cluster models, which was terminated with hydrogen atoms by the replacement of terminal oxygen atoms. There exist 12 distinct T-atom positions that can be replaced to generate

an acid site inside MFI, while studies have suggested that the T12 position is preferred^{68, 69}. The location of the active site at T12 where the straight and sinusoidal channels intersect in MFI is particularly favorable for catalysis because of the ample pore volume surrounding the acid site.

In QM/MM methods, the zeolite cluster models are subdivided into two regions: an active region includes both adsorbate molecules and active sites, while the other region is inactive and comprises zeolite framework atoms that are distant from the active sites, as shown in Figure 2.2. The region where the chemical reaction occurs, i.e., the active site, needs to be accurately calculated using QM methods to accurately describe the formation and breaking of chemical bonds during the chemical reactions. The non-active region of the zeolite framework can be modeled using a molecular mechanics force field, i.e. standard force field of the CHARMM type.⁷⁰⁻⁷², which can account for polarization of the active region and interactions between the adsorbate and the framework through dispersion and electrostatic forces. Using semi-empirical parameters, the MM method reduces the computational cost for simulating environmental effects on reactions. All the geometry optimizations were performed with relaxation of only QM region, whereas the MM atoms were held fixed. Hence, only the interactions between the QM region and MM region will be relevant, which can generally be divided into two parts. The electrostatic

part of the interaction can be described by

$$E_{ES} = \sum_{ij} \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r_{ij}}$$



where E_{ES} is the electric potential in the QM Hamiltonian due to all the MM atoms; r_{ij} is the distance between particles *i* and *j*; q_j is the partial charge on particle *j*, which is a force field parameter; ε_0 is the dielectric constant. The second component is the interaction energy, which can be described by the Lennard-Jones potential (E_{LJ})

$$E_{LJ} = \sum_{ij} \varepsilon_{ij} \left[\left(\frac{R_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - 2 \left(\frac{R_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right]$$
(6)

where $\varepsilon_{ij} = (\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $R_{ij} = (R_i + R_j)/2$, R_i is the van der Waals radius of particle *i*, and ε_i is the characteristic energy of the Lennard-Jones potential of particle *i*. As shown in the above equations, three parameters are required to describe each type of atom, including charge, van der Waals radius, and characteristic energy. In this work, we utilized the parameter set proposed by Li et al.⁷³



Figure 2.2 QM/MM models for H-MFI. The yellow, red, pink, white, and green colored atoms represent Si, O, Al, H, and Sn atoms, respectively. The spherical atoms are considered QM atoms, whereas the remaining atoms are MM atoms.

2.4 Computational Details

For UM-N and the vibrations of UM-VT, the chosen sampling step size was the corresponding natural length of each vibrational mode. On the other hand, the chosen sampling step size was selected to be $\pi/18$ for the torsions of UM-VT and UM-T. The sampling of vibrations was carried out symmetrically for each mode to the classical turning point or to the point where the energy rose over the cut-off value. As shown in Figure 2.2, the sampling of C=O bond vibration of propanal was terminated at the classical turning point in the negative direction. In contrast, the sampling of torsions was stopped either when the torsion had completed a full rotation (2π) or when the energy exceeded a determined cut-off value. In this study, the cut-off energy selected was 0.05 hartree (~11,000 cm-1), which is higher than the classical turning points and torsional

barriers. Previous research has demonstrated that this cut-off energy is sufficient to achieve convergence in the calculation of thermodynamic properties up to 1000 K.⁵⁴

For gas phase molecules, geometry optimization and single point energy calculations were carried out using ω B97X-D functional^{74, 75} and 6-311+G(2df,2dp) basis set. On the other hand, single point energy calculations for QM regions in zeolite models were performed at ω B97X-D/6-311++G(3df,3dp) level of theory. The freezing string method⁷⁶ was employed for the search of transition states, which was subsequently followed by local optimization to refine the guess to the exact transition state. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations were performed to ensure the connection of each transition state with reactant and product. The calculations mentioned above were performed using a development of the Q-Chem software package.⁷⁷



Figure 2.3. An example of the sampling of vibrations.

Chapter 3 Results and Discussions



3.1 Gas Phase Thermodynamic Benchmark

In this section, we evaluated the heat capacities, enthalpies, and entropies of specific molecules calculated by various methods, including UM-N, UM-VT, UM-T, E-optimized, E'-optimized, HO and scaling factor. Scaling factors were obtained from the Computational Chemistry Comparison and Benchmark Database (CCCBDB) and the NIST Chemistry Web book.^{78, 79} The ideal gas heat capacities used as reference values were obtained by extrapolating experimental measurements conducted at different pressures to zero pressure.⁸⁰⁻⁸⁶ Figure 3.1 and Figure 3.2 reveal that although the UM-N method exhibited general improvement compared to the HO approach, it may still have limitations in accurately depicting the periodic potential energy surface related to internal rotations.⁵⁴ Hence, for a more comprehensive treatment of internal rotations and a more accurate representation of the periodic potential, alternative approaches such as UM-T or UM-VT should be considered. UM-T and UM-VT can generally reduce the error to within 1 cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹, indicating the separation of internal rotations from other vibrational modes is a crucial aspect of these methods. Furthermore, it is important to highlight that both UM-VT and UM-T methods maintain a consistent level of accuracy even as the

number of heavy atoms increases. On the contrary, employing E-optimized and E'optimized approaches for sampling potential energy surfaces yields contrasting outcomes. Heat capacities calculated using E-optimized exhibit good agreement with experimental values, surpassing that of HO method. However, systematic errors become apparent in the heat capacities derived from E'-optimized, as illustrated in Figure 3.1. The dissimilar performance of E-optimized and E'-optimized can be attributed to their respective optimization objectives. E-optimized strives to minimize overall off-diagonal coupling (as shown in eq (2)), resulting in more precise outcomes. Conversely, E'-optimized prioritizes the reduction of changes in off-diagonal Hessian elements (as shown in eq (4)), placing emphasis on anharmonic couplings. The directions chosen by E'-optimized may inherently introducing harmonic coupling between modes, rendering them unsuitable for constructing the one-dimensional potentials utilized in UM calculations. As a result, employing E'-optimized directions can yield improper representations of the potential energy surface (PES) and lead to large errors in thermodynamic property calculations. Additionally, our findings indicate that the use of scaling factors can yield accurate results in the calculations of heat capacities, effectively matching them with the experimental data.



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Figure 3.2. Box plot of heat capacities, distinct boxes representing varying numbers of

heavy atoms.

Aside from evaluating heat capacities, we examined the performance of various UM methods for calculating enthalpies and entropies as well. To gather the scarce reference data for enthalpies and entropies, we collected information from NIST⁸⁷. These reference values are primarily obtained from spectroscopic data using statistical mechanics, incorporating internal corrections but disregarding anharmonicity or coupling effects.⁸⁸⁻ ⁹⁰ In enthalpy calculations, E'-optimized still give large error owing to an inappropriate treatment for mode coupling. The other methods generally produce results fall within a ± 1 kcal/mol error range, as depicted in Figure 3.3 and Figure 3.4. However, the accuracy of entropy calculations varies significantly across the different methods, as depicted in Figure 3.5 and Figure 3.6. UM-VT and UM-T demonstrate the highest level of accuracy, followed by scaling, E-optimized, UM-N, HO, and E'-optimized. Align with the findings in heat capacity calculations, the HO model underestimates entropies owing to its limited handling of internal rotors. E-optimized does not show considerable improvement compared to UM-N and HO. On the other hand, the RMS error of E'-optimized (12.71 cal mol⁻¹ K^{-1}) is nearly four times higher than that of the HO model (3.71 cal mol⁻¹ K^{-1}). In contrast to the previous results in heat capacity calculations, the use of the scaling factor leads to a larger error bar when predicting standard entropies of larger molecules.

The enthalpy is not method-sensitive since it is based on the following equation

$$H = RT^2 \frac{\partial \ln\left(Q\right)}{\partial T} + RT$$

Not only the logarithm function diminishes the differences of the calculated partition function, but the first derivative of logarithm of partition function with respect to temperature cancel out errors. Therefore, even the simplest HO model can give quite accurate results for enthalpy calculations. On the other hand, entropy is closely related to the logarithm of the partition function

$$S = RT \frac{\partial \ln (Q)}{\partial T} + R \ln(Q)$$
(8)

The entropy calculations are therefore greatly affected by the choice of methods. Also, the heat capacity is calculated by the derivative of enthalpy with respect to temperature (second derivative of partition function), which makes it more sensitive to the accuracy of calculated partition function.

While UM-T and UM-VT show good agreement with reference values for thermodynamic properties, it does not necessarily mean that the fundamental frequencies calculated by these methods are more accurate than the HO model, as shown in Table S4 to S13. Previous studies have indicated that low-frequency modes often possess a delocalized nature, with vibrational motions occurring throughout the entire molecule.⁹¹ As a result, attempting to localize torsional modes to individual dihedral coordinates would inevitably lead to inaccuracies. On the contrary, the E-optimized model produces

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vibrational frequencies that exhibit excellent agreement with experimental values. This can be attributed to the optimization of overall off-diagonal coupling, which enhances the accuracy of vibrational structure calculations. These findings are in line with the previous results reported in the literature.⁵⁵



Figure 3.3. Parity analysis of enthalpies H(298.15 K)-H(0 K). Dashed lines represent

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Figure 3.5. Parity analysis of standard entropies. Dashed lines represent the error bars,

indicating a range of ± 3.35 cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹ (± 1 kcal mol⁻¹ of T·S at 298.15K). Reprinted

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Figure 3.6. Box plot of standard entropies, distinct boxes representing varying numbers

of heavy atoms.

3.2 Gas Phase Kinetic Benchmark

After carefully examining the accuracy of each UM method in calculating thermodynamic properties, we also assessed the accuracy of these methods in calculating kinetic parameters. Here, we compared the experimental activation energy and Arrhenius pre-exponential values of nineteen unimolecular gas-phase reactions⁹²⁻¹⁰³ with the results derived from various UM methods in combination of different coordinate systems (RIC, HIC, and TRIC). The complete list of reactions, along with the corresponding reaction temperatures, is presented in Table S1. Our results, as shown in Table S2 and Table S3, indicated that approximately half of the reactions could not be properly calculated using RIC due to the inadequate characterization of large-amplitude interfragmentary motion by bond, bend, and dihedral angles.

On the contrary, the HIC and TRIC internal coordinate systems addressed this issue by incorporating augmented Cartesian coordinates or translation-rotation coordinates into the internal coordinates. Analyzing Figure 3.7, we found that while the activation energies calculated in TRIC were slightly more accurate than those calculated in HIC, the RMS errors for both methods fell within the range of 1-2 kcal/mol. This suggests that the choice of the model does not significantly impact the accuracy of the activation energy, which aligns with our observations in the enthalpy calculations.



Figure 3.7. Parity analysis of activation energies of reactions for (a) HIC and (b) TRIC coordinate systems. Dashed lines represent the error bar, indicating a range of ±1 kcal mol⁻¹. Reprinted with permission from [64]. Copyright 2022, American Chemical

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Figure 3.8. Parity analysis of pre-exponential factors in logarithm of reactions for (a)

HIC and (b) TRIC coordinate systems. Dashed lines represent the error bar, indicating a

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The precision of the calculated Arrhenius pre-exponential factor differs significantly across the various methods, primarily due to its strong correlation with the activation entropy, which is in close relation with the entropy change between the reactant and transition state species. To accommodate the wide range of magnitudes observed for different reactions, the logarithmic values of the pre-exponential factor $(\log A/s^{-1})$ are presented in Figure 3.8. The majority of log A values obtained through the UM-VT and UM-T methods fall within the ± 1 error range, as shown in Figure 3.8, suggesting that the inclusion of additional rotor treatment indeed enhances accuracy. Conversely, the remaining methods exhibit a tendency to overestimate the log A values. Notably, the E'optimized method demonstrates the highest RMS errors, as previously discussed. This discrepancy can be attributed to the selection of directions by E'-optimized, which primarily prioritize minimizing anharmonic couplings. Unfortunately, this approach introduces strong harmonic coupling between modes, ultimately hindering the improvement of UM calculations' accuracy. It is important to highlight that the UM-VT method slightly outperforms the UM-T method in predicting kinetic properties, potentially due to its superior representation of anharmonic motions in transition state species. When assessing log A values, the RMS errors for UM-VT using HIC and TRIC coordinate systems are 0.64 and 0.68, respectively, indicating comparable performance

between the two coordinate systems. However, for the other sampling schemes, the TRIC coordinate system generally yields slightly lower RMS errors compared to HIC. This suggests that segregating the degrees of freedom for intramolecular and intermolecular motions could describe transition state species more properly. In addition to the UM methods, we also evaluated the performance of scaling factor on the calculation of the activation energies and pre-exponential factors. It was found that the scaling factor cannot make any difference on the accuracy of calculated kinetic parameters, which was resulted from the same scaling of partition function of both reactant and transition state.

It is important to highlight that despite its limitations, the HO model can successfully predict the Arrhenius pre-exponential factor for certain reactions. Specifically, reactions involving four-membered transition states, like the dehydrohalogenation of alkyl halides (Figure 3.9a), exhibit accurate predictions regardless of the model used, including the HO approach. However, for reactions involving cyclic transition states with rings comprising more than four members, such as ester pyrolysis (Figure 3.9b), a more precise treatment of rotational entropy is necessary to correctly estimate the Arrhenius pre-exponential factor. This is due to the fixation of multiple rotors during the formation of the transition states. Therefore, the significance of considering anharmonic effects in improving predictions depends on the structural characteristics of the transition state species. As a result, the extent of improvement may not be uniformly pronounced across all examined reactions.



Figure 3.9. Diagrammatic representation of reactions involving (a) transition states with four-membered rings (b) transition states with cyclic rings that have more than four members. Reprinted with permission from [64]. Copyright 2022, American Chemical

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Furthermore, we conducted a comparison of the CPU time associated with each method to assess their computational cost. All five UM methods (UM-N, UM-VT, UM-T, E-optimized, and E'-optimized) necessitate the Hessian matrix at the local minimum geometry, as stated in the methodology section. However, the E-optimized and E'optimized models require additional 3N-6 Hessians near the local minimum geometry to obtain optimal sampling directions. Consequently, the computational costs of E-

optimized and E'-optimized are unavoidably higher compared to UM-N, UM-VT, and UM-T. Table 3.1 displays the number of single point energy and Hessian calculations, as well as the CPU time required to sample the PES of 1-propanol. The CPU time exhibits the following trend: E'-optimized \approx E-optimized > UM-VT > UM-N > UM-T > HO = Scaling. The CPU time for E-optimized (80935 s) and E'-optimized (81961 s) is three to four times higher than that of UM-N (18083 s) and UM-VT (24138 s), and ten times higher than that of UM-T (7822 s). It is important to note that this ratio is expected to increase with larger system sizes since E-optimized or E'-optimized necessitates one Hessian calculation per normal mode. To strike a balance between accuracy and computational costs, it is recommended to employ the UM-T model for calculating molecular thermochemistry in the medium- or low-temperature range, where the impact of anharmonicity in vibrations is negligible. For scenarios where the influence of anharmonic vibrations may be significant, such as calculating partition functions of transition state species, particularly for reactions occurring in complex environments, the UM-VT method is recommended.^{26, 31}

Table 3.1. Comparative analysis of the computational cost associated with each modelfor sampling the PES of 1-propanol. Reprinted with permission from [64]. Copyright

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	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	l E'-optimized	НО	Scaling
No. Single points	256	342	72	259	260	0	0
No. Hessians	1	1	1	31	31	1	1
CPU time (s) ^a	18083	24138	6415	80935	81961	2006	2006

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^aAll timings were performed using the Q-Chem software package on a single

core of a 2.0 GHz AMD EPYC Rome 64-core processor machine.

3.3 Zeolite Reaction Benchmark

In this section, we conducted a comparison of experimental adsorption enthalpies/entropies and intrinsic activation enthalpies/entropies of alkane cracking over H-MFI with those obtained through different calculation methods. The methods included uncoupled mode (UM) methods, scaling factor, and quasi-RRHO¹⁰⁴, all within the quantum mechanics/molecular mechanics (QM/MM) model. We calculated the thermodynamic properties using these approaches (773K) and compared the results to Configurational-Bias Monte Carlo simulations (CBMC)²¹ (773K) and experimental data (300-400K) ^{62, 105}. We did not examine the performance of E-optimized and E'-optimized approaches due to the high computational demands of calculating additional Hessians in zeolitic systems. Also, considering that the TRIC coordinate system generally produces better results in gas-phase reaction calculations, we performed the UM methods using TRIC coordinate systems for the calculation of intrinsic activation parameters. The intrinsic activation parameters are defined as the difference of the properties between transition states and adsorbed states, as illustrated in Figure 3.10. Since there are different bond *i* for the activation of butane cracking, we employed Boltzmann weighted average to obtain results that can be compared with experimental or Monte Carlo simulation data.²¹ The Boltzmann average were calculated based on the following equation^{21, 106}

$$\Delta H_{int}^{\ddagger} = \frac{\sum_{i} \Delta H_{int,i}^{\ddagger} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta A_{int,i}^{\ddagger}}{RT}\right)}{\sum_{i} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta A_{int,i}^{\ddagger}}{RT}\right)} = \Delta U_{int}^{\ddagger} - RT$$
(9)

$$\Delta A_{int}^{\dagger} = \frac{\sum_{i} \Delta A_{int,i}^{\dagger} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta A_{int,i}^{\dagger}}{RT}\right)}{\sum_{i} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta A_{int,i}^{\dagger}}{RT}\right)}$$
(10)

$$\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger} = \frac{\Delta U_{int}^{\ddagger} - \Delta A_{int}^{\ddagger}}{T}$$
(11)

The calculated adsorption thermodynamics at 773K were listed in Table 3.2 and Table 3.3. The results demonstrate that the adsorption enthalpies remain relatively consistent across different methods. However, the accuracy of the adsorption entropies varies with the choice of models. The uncoupled mode (UM) methods generally offer more accurate results compared to the HO or quasi-RRHO models. Despite this improvement, there is still a discrepancy between the calculated values and the reference data. Scaling factor, on the other hand, can also improve the accuracy based on the harmonic approximation.

Calculated intrinsic activation enthalpy and entropy for cracking at T12 site at 773K were listed in Table 3.4 and Table 3.5. Similar to the observations in adsorption thermodynamics, the choice of model does not greatly affect the accuracy of intrinsic activation enthalpies ($\Delta H_{int}^{\ddagger}$). The errors of both UM and HO methods falls within the range of 2 kcal/mol. However, the accuracy of calculated intrinsic activation entropies $(\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger})$ are more sensitive to the choice of model. Considering local anharmonicity, the uncoupled mode (UM) methods generally outperformed the harmonic oscillator (HO) methods in calculations related to intrinsic activation entropy. Although the results obtained through the UM method show improvement compared to the HO method, there is still a small difference between the calculated $\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger}$ and experimental $\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger}$. Notably, the UM-T method showed less accurate results compared to HO results, which may be attributed to an inappropriate description of torsional motions of alkane within zeolite systems. The first challenge arises from the fact that multiple conformations of molecules collectively contribute to the entropy and free energy. Especially, torsions in catalytic system are usually unsymmetryical, the local minima sampled along the torsional coordinates are distinguishable. In other words, a single optimized conformation derived from a normal mode analysis is inadequate to capture the full conformational landscape and accurately estimate these thermodynamic quantities.³⁰ Such issues can be treated by

summing the torsional contributions from a list of distinguishable conformers, which has been shown to improve the accuracy of entropy calculations in complex molecular systems previously^{30, 107} Additionally, if the initial geometry of the adsorbate is positioned too close to the zeolite framework, the sampling of torsional modes may terminate prematurely upon reaching the energy cut-off. To address this issue, we can enhance the sampling process of torsional potential energy surfaces (PES) by freezing the dihedral angle and optimizing the geometry.¹⁰⁸ The incorporation of relaxed torsional PES for each internal rotor has the potential to enhance the accuracy of computed energy levels and entropy values.



Figure 3.10. Schematic illustration of intrinsic activation enthalpy $(\Delta H_{int}^{\ddagger})$ and entropy

 $(\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger}).$

		Table 3.2. Adso	orption enthal	oy (kcal mo	1 ⁻¹) at 773K for n	-alkane crac	king in H-MFI.		
$\Delta H_{ads}^{\ddagger}$	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	НО	quasi-RRHO	Scaling	Janda (CBMC) ²¹	Eder (Expt) ¹⁰⁵	De Moor (Expt) ⁶²
propane	-14.34	-14.10	-11.23	-11.47	-13.62	-11.59	-10.52	-10.76	-9.80
butane	-15.30	-13.38	-13.15	-13.86	-15.54	-12.67	-12.91	-13.86	-12.43

Table 3.3. Adsorption entropy (cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹) at 773K for n-alkane cracking in H-MFI.

$\Delta S_{ads}^{\ddagger}$	IIM N	UM-VT	UM-T	НО	quasi-RRHO	Scaling	Janda	Eder	De Moor
	UM-IN						$(CBMC)^{21}$	(Expt) ¹⁰⁵	$(Expt)^{62}$
propane	-35.37	-35.61	-38.00	-38.72	-37.76	-36.81	-23.90	-24.38	-22.47
butane	-32.50	-36.33	-31.55	-34.42	-33.70	-32.03	-26.05	-28.44	-24.86

Table 3.4. Intrinsic activation enthalpy (kcal mol ⁻¹) at 773K for n-alkane cracking in H-MFI.										
$\Delta H_{int}^{\ddagger}$	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	НО	quasi-RRHO	Scaling	Janda (CBMC) ²¹	Eder (Expt) ¹⁰⁵	De Moor (Expt) ⁶²	
propane	43.98	44.60	44.49	44.00	44.43	44.22	45.89	46.37	45.41	
butane	41.71	41.21	40.84	41.47	42.84	41.58	43.50	44.69	43.26	

Table 3.5. Intrinsic activation entropy (cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹) at 773K for n-alkane cracking in H-MFI.

$\Delta S_{int}^{\ddagger}$	IIM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	НО	quasi-RRHO	Scaling	Janda	Eder	De Moor
							$(CBMC)^{21}$	(Expt) ¹⁰⁵	(Expt) ⁶²
propane	-3.10	-1.88	-0.54	-0.88	0.57	-1.22	-5.02	-5.26	-7.17
butane	-9.45	-10.07	-12.55	-11.64	-11.94	-11.89	-5.98	-4.54	-8.13

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Chapter 4 Conclusion



In order to improve the accuracy of thermochemical and kinetic predictions, we utilized UM methods that consider the sum of independent one-dimensional (1D) anharmonic potential energy surface as representation of full-dimensional potential energy surface. To approach the highest possible accuracy within the UM model, we first employed five different potential energy surface (PES) sampling schemes, namely UM-N, UM-VT, UM-T, E-optimized, and E'-optimized, and extensively benchmarked these methods on molecular thermochemistry (heat capacities, enthalpies, and entropies) and kinetic properties (activation energies and pre-exponential factors) of selected reactions.

In the UM-N method, 1D potentials are constructed by sampling along the direction of each normal mode. By accounting for local anharmonicities, UM-N yields slightly improved accuracy compared to the HO model. UM-VT and UM-T involve sampling the potentials of internal rotations to accurately capture their anharmonic behavior. Additionally, UM-VT samples the vibrational modes to capture more system anharmonicity, while UM-T treats other vibrational modes as harmonic oscillators. Both UM-VT and UM-T exhibit good performance in predicting thermodynamic properties, with UM-VT demonstrating slightly higher accuracy for kinetic property calculations. For E-optimized and E'-optimized, potentials are constructed along specific directions that minimize off-diagonal coupling and change in off-diagonal coupling, respectively. over a grid of Hessian matrices. E-optimized generally outperforms the HO model in terms of accuracy. However, E'-optimized can introduce systematic errors due to its focus on reducing changes in off-diagonal Hessian elements, which only represent anharmonic couplings. Consequently, the directions determined by E'-optimized may lead to strong harmonic coupling between modes, making them unsuitable for constructing potentials in uncoupled mode calculations. Apart from investigating various sampling methods, we also evaluated the impact of frequency scaling factors. Our findings indicate that scaling factors can yield accurate results for properties that are not significantly affected by partition function accuracy. However, when considering properties such as entropies, the uncoupled mode (UM) methods, specifically UM-VT and UM-T, prove to be more suitable options.

In addition to exploring various sampling methods, we also investigated the impact of internal coordinate systems on the performance of molecular reactions in the gas phase. Internal coordinate systems play a crucial role in accurately describing the geometry and motion of molecules during reactions, where the straightforward redundant internal coordinates (RIC) fail to accurately characterize large-amplitude interfragmentary motion in a transition state. To mitigate this problem, hybrid internal coordinate (HIC) or translation-rotation-internal coordinate (TRIC) systems can be employed. The results indicate that the TRIC system slightly outperforms the HIC system in calculating kinetic parameters especially for Arrhenius pre-exponential factors, suggesting that intra- and intermolecular motions should be describe separately to improve the performance of the UM model for kinetic property calculations. Furthermore, we investigated the UM methods incorporating with TRIC internal coordinates on the performance of alkane cracking reactions over H-MFI zeolite. The results suggested that though UM methods can slightly improve the accuracy of estimated intrinsic activation entropy, further improvements need to be made to achieve chemical accuracy. We suggested that by summing torsional contributions from distinguishable conformers, the accuracy of entropy calculations in complex molecular systems can be improved. Furthermore, enhancing the sampling process of torsional potential energy surfaces by freezing the dihedral angle and optimizing the geometry addresses issues arising from adsorbate positioning, leading to more accurate energy levels and entropy values.

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Supporting Information



Table S1. Test reactions selected in this work.

Rxn		T range (K)
1	$ClCH_2C(O)OC_2H_5 \rightarrow C_2H_4 + CH_2ClC(O)OH$	633.45-665.05
2	$C_2H_5C(O)OC_2H_5 \rightarrow C_2H_5COOH + C_2H_4$	913-1100
3	$ClCH_2CH2C(O)OC_2H_5 \rightarrow C_2H_4 + ClCH_2CH_2C(O)OH$	633.45-665.05
4	$CHCl_2C(O)OCH(CH_3)_2 \rightarrow CHCl_2C(O)OH + CH_3CH=CH_2$	566-599
5	$ClCH_2CH_2C(O)OCH(CH_3)_2 \rightarrow CH_2ClCH_2C(O)OH + CH_3CH = CH_2CH_2C(O)OH + CH_3CH = CH_2CH_2CH_2C(O)OH + CH_3CH = CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2C(O)OH + CH_3CH = CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2$	576.15-624.95
6	$BrCH2C(O)OCH(CH3)_2 \rightarrow CH_2BrC(O)OH + CH_3CH=CH_2$	563.65-623.25
7	$CH_2OHC(O)OCH(CH_3)_2 \rightarrow CH_2OHC(O)OH + CH_3CH=CH_2$	573.35-623.25
8	$CH_3C(O)OC_2H_5 \rightarrow CH_3C(O)OH + C_2H_4$	650.45-700.35
9	$CH_2=CHCH_2CH_2OH \rightarrow CH_2O + CH_3CH=CH_2$	636-714
10	$CH_2=CHCH_2C(O)OC_2H_5 \rightarrow C_2H_4 + CH_2=CHCH_2C(O)OH$	633-693
11	$CH_3SCH_2CH=CH_2 \rightarrow CH_3CH=CH_2 + CH_2=S$	649.15-691.15
12	$CH_2=CHCH_2CH_2(CH_3)OH \rightarrow CH_3CH_2=O + CH_3CH=CH_2$	635.7-713.7
13	$CH_2ClCH_2CN \rightarrow CH_2CHCN + HCl$	942-1150
14	$(CH_3)2CClCH_2Cl \rightarrow CH_2=C(CH_3)CH_2Cl + HCl$	613-693
15	$n\text{-}C_{3}H_{7}Cl \rightarrow CH_{3}CH=CH_{2}+HCl$	672-734
16	$C_2H_5Cl \rightarrow HCl + C_2H_4$	663.15-683.15
17	tert-C ₄ H ₉ OCH ₃ \rightarrow CH ₃ OH + iso-C ₄ H ₈	623-763
18	$(CH_3)2CClC(O)OCH_3 \rightarrow CH_2 = C(CH_3)C(O)OCH_3 + HCl$	633-693
19	$(CH_3)2CClC(O)CH_3 \rightarrow CH_2 = C(CH_3)C(O)CH_3 + HCl$	612.95-667.65

 Table S2. Activation energies of selected gas-phase reactions calculated with RIC (kcal/mol). Missing values are caused by the failure in the back-transformation from

Dyn	Evet			RIC	
KAII	Expt	UM-N	UM-VT	E-Optimized	E'-Optimized
1	47.08 ^a	-	-	47.14	45.19
2	48.52 ^b	-	-	-	-
3	47.04 ^a	-	-	-	47.8
4	42.07 ^c	-	-	-	40.97
5	43.21 ^c	-	-	-	41.41
6	43.30 ^d	-	-	-	43.29
7	43.30 ^c	-	-	-	-
8	47.70 ^e	47.76	47.39	-	-
9	39.20 ^f	40.09	38.20	40.21	40.36
10	46.84 ^g	47.89	47.56	47.85	49.3
11	38.24 ^h	40.26	40.46	-	40.87
12	38.77 ^f	40.28	38.61	-	40.38
13	57.60 ⁱ	-	-	-	59.72
14	49.62 ^j	47.35	47.80	47.39	47.63
15	54.97 ^k	55.62	55.08	55.6	55.6
16	56.30 ¹	56.66	56.62	56.73	56.69
17	59.00 ^m	59.74	59.28	59.42	59.73
18	51.43 ^j	47.46	48.46	47.38	47.56
19	45.60 ⁿ	44.64	46.68	44.53	44.83
MSE		0.01	-0.14	-0.42	0.07
MAE		1.36	1.00	1.21	1.49
RMS		1.75	1.36	1.68	1.78

internal to Cartesian coordinates.

^aRef ⁹⁴. ^bRef ¹⁰¹. ^cRef ⁹³. ^dRef ¹⁰⁹. ^eRef ⁹⁸. ^fRef ⁹⁹. ^gRef ¹⁰⁰. ^hRef ⁹⁵. ⁱRef ¹⁰³. ^jRef ⁹⁶. ^kRef ¹¹⁰. ⁱRef ¹⁰². ^mRef ¹¹¹. ⁿRef ¹¹².

Table S3. Logarithm of pre-exponential factors $(\log A/s^{-1})$ of selected gas-phase reactions calculated with RIC. Missing values are caused by the failure in the back-transformation from internal to Cartesian coordinates.

Dava	Erret			RIC	
KXII	Expt	UM-N	UM-VT	E-Optimized	E'-Optimized
1	12.70 ^a	-	-	13.33	13.41
2	12.72 ^b	-	-	-	-
3	12.54 ^a	-	-	-	13.44
4	12.78 ^c	-	-	-	13.55
5	12.57 ^c	-	-	-	13.53
6	12.84 ^d	-	-	-	13.32
7	12.56 ^c	-	-	-	-
8	12.50 ^e	13.24	12.69	-	-
9	10.67^{f}	12.17	11.22	12.19	12.78
10	12.25^{f}	13.3	12.51	13.09	13.64
11	11.23 ^h	12.24	11.36	-	13.28
12	10.83 ^f	12.33	11.91	-	12.77
13	13.20^{i}	-	-	-	14.33
14	14.29 ^j	14.42	14.6	14.32	13.88
15	13.45 ^k	14.46	14.02	14.47	14.22
16	13.33 ¹	13.83	13.85	13.85	14.05
17	13.90 ^m	13.96	12.52	13.87	13.69
18	13.81 ^j	13.75	14.02	13.77	13.94
19	12.56 ⁿ	13.99	14.07	13.87	13.88
MSE		0.81	0.36	0.64	0.92
MAE		0.76	0.61	0.66	1.00
RMS		0.92	0.77	0.84	1.17

^aRef ⁹⁴. ^bRef ¹⁰¹. ^cRef ⁹³. ^dRef ¹⁰⁹. ^eRef ⁹⁸. ^fRef ⁹⁹. ^gRef ¹⁰⁰. ^hRef ⁹⁵. ⁱRef ¹⁰³. ^jRef ⁹⁶. ^kRef ¹¹⁰. ¹Ref ¹⁰². ^mRef ¹¹¹. ⁿRef ¹¹².

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Mode	Expt ¹¹³	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
1	2992	3179.0	3179.0	3144.1	3000.2	2995.5	3144.1
2	2981	3162.4	3162.4	3139.8	2996.8	2994.3	3139.8
3	2942	3131.9	3131.9	3121.7	2981.9	2979.8	3121.7
4	2904	3012.4	3012.4	3059.3	2970.2	2968.1	3059.3
5	2895	2958.5	2958.5	3050.3	2928.8	2928.3	3050.3
6	2809	2753.5	2753.5	2883.7	2752.4	2749.1	2883.7
7	1743	1831.5	1831.5	1850.4	1831.2	1794.9	1850.4
8	1460	1514.0	1514.0	1512.3	1511.3	1394.6	1512.3
9	1451	1509.2	1509.2	1505.1	1510.8	1257.8	1505.1
10	1416	1473.0	1472.9	1473.9	1473.3	1252.7	1474.1
11	1390	1434.5	1434.5	1432.7	1435.4	1252.4	1432.7
12	1376	1429.1	1429.1	1418.8	1430.8	1223.5	1418.8
13	1335	1330.1	1330.0	1335.7	1320.3	1214.3	1335.8
14	1250	1277.8	1277.7	1277.7	1287.4	1196.9	1277.7
15	1118	1167.8	1167.8	1166.5	1166.4	1187.6	1166.5
16	1093	1145.3	1145.2	1143.4	1146.5	1184.3	1143.5
17	993	1029.7	1029.6	1029.3	1029.1	1175.3	1029.3
18	892	931.9	931.2	927.9	931.3	1158.4	928.6
19	848	883.7	883.7	883.6	885.1	1035.7	883.6
20	668	765.7	764.6	761.9	766.2	1012.2	762.9
21	660	516.1	513.9	512.2	516.8	988.0	514.6
22	271	334.5	331.4	328.4	334.9	704.5	331.9
23	220	203.9	152.9	152.9	205.7	554.5	210.9
24	135	75.4	5.9	5.9	75.8	548.9	73.1
MSE		50.4	45.0	53.1	26.9	79.6	58.7
MAE		73.7	78.6	81.8	50.9	158.4	76.7
RMS		89.8	93.7	96.5	58.4	203.2	92.7

Table S4. Fundamental frequencies of propanal calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

Table S5. Fundamental frequencies of 2-methyl-1-butene calculated with different

models	$(cm^{-1}).$

							14 B	2 63 11 1
-	Mode	Expt ¹¹⁴	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
	1	3084	3151.2	3151.2	3243.3	3025.1	3016.7	3164.3
	2	2994	3143.3	3143.3	3159.4	3017.8	3016.2	3155.6
	3	2986	3142.7	3142.7	3140.0	3012.0	3002.5	3140.4
	4	2984	3140.9	3141.0	3133.0	2996.8	2990.7	3133.2
	5	2976	3127.6	3127.6	3126.7	2949.4	2943.8	3096.4
	6	2976	3107.1	3107.1	3095.8	2946.6	2940.5	3091.9
	7	2945	3099.1	3099.1	3055.6	2945.0	2938.7	3088.1
	8	2943	3016.2	3016.2	3055.1	2943.4	2938.4	3046.4
	9	2900	3007.5	3007.4	3040.1	2941.6	2937.4	3041.8
	10	2880	2995.7	2995.7	3028.1	2939.5	2937.2	3034.1
	11	1644	1768.7	1768.7	1742.1	1768.4	1670.5	1774.0
	12	1467	1506.3	1506.3	1517.8	1503.6	1352.6	1503.4
	13	1462	1505.4	1505.4	1504.4	1502.8	1232.3	1502.7
	14	1460	1500.4	1500.3	1501.2	1497.0	1227.9	1498.9
	15	1458	1490.9	1490.8	1488.5	1495.4	1227.3	1487.8
	16	1447	1487.8	1487.8	1480.1	1491.9	1219.4	1486.0
	17	1414	1479.5	1479.5	1459.3	1487.5	1215.3	1477.8
	18	1379	1436.7	1436.7	1422.2	1439.6	1212.0	1431.8
	19	1371	1429.3	1429.3	1418.3	1436.4	1208.8	1425.5
	20	1329	1428.4	1428.4	1402.3	1436.2	1206.7	1419.7
	21	1255	1382.5	1382.5	1309.3	1383.8	1206.3	1379.4
	22	1249	1248.5	1248.5	1268.6	1248.6	1171.8	1246.5
	23	1089	1140.7	1140.7	1134.4	1140.6	1164.8	1139.5
	24	1082	1111.5	1111.5	1111.7	1111.6	1161.2	1112.6
	25	1017	1076.8	1076.8	1053.6	1076.6	1160.1	1075.3
	26	1017	1068.3	1068.1	1039.8	1067.5	1157.5	1069.0
	27	996	1020.5	1020.5	1014.5	1020.2	1155.4	1022.2
	28	938	977.9	977.9	964.1	977.7	1152.7	976.5
	29	890	968.4	968.4	943.7	969.0	1149.5	967.4
	30	790	844.2	843.7	819.6	846.1	1147.3	836.7
	31	772	779.7	779.7	793.4	779.9	1090.1	780.5

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32	677	534.0	534.0	695.5	534.1	1068.4	532.1
33	495	468.3	467.0	506.7	468.3	1063.5	464.6
34	434	396.8	396.8	446.2	397.0	907.4	394.4
35	400	306.0	306.0	410.1	306.0	763.1	300.1
36	285	266.1	248.3	286.6	252.1	711.9	269.9
37	257	181.9	123.8	123.8	187.2	644.7	184.9
38	170	131.1	74.7	74.7	131.8	588.4	123.6
39	119	109.3	36.8	36.8	112.7	480.7	104.0
MSE		49.9	44.6	51.7	19.4	85.9	49.9
MAE		72.7	77.9	67.6	48.3	186.2	73.8
RMS		86.3	90.3	84.6	59.2	240.0	87.7

Table S6. Fundamental frequencies of 2-butanone calculated with different models

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Mode	Expt ¹¹⁵	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
1	2983	3189.8	3189.8	3177.8	3033.0	3010.7	3177.8
2	2983	3180.4	3180.4	3151.2	2998.0	2995.6	3151.2
3	2983	3178.7	3178.7	3141.4	2996.8	2992.4	3141.4
4	2983	3137.7	3137.7	3124.9	2990.7	2986.2	3124.9
5	2941	3127.8	3127.8	3079.9	2983.6	2974.3	3079.9
6	2910	3024.6	3024.6	3067.7	2973.1	2950.4	3067.7
7	2910	3020.9	3020.9	3058.4	2936.0	2934.2	3058.4
8	2884	3004.0	3004.0	3047.1	2932.6	2929.8	3047.2
9	1716	1814.4	1814.4	1831.7	1814.1	1786.1	1831.7
10	1460	1507.9	1507.9	1504.7	1507.5	1238.6	1504.7
11	1460	1502.2	1502.1	1501.0	1502.1	1237.7	1501.1
12	1422	1486.3	1486.2	1482.0	1485.6	1232.8	1482.1
13	1413	1475.5	1475.5	1474.0	1474.7	1224.8	1474.0
14	1413	1457.9	1457.9	1458.5	1458.9	1218.1	1458.5
15	1373	1438.2	1438.2	1428.0	1438.9	1212.0	1428.0
16	1346	1406.7	1406.7	1402.5	1408.1	1198.2	1402.5
17	1263	1382.7	1382.7	1383.0	1382.7	1195.1	1383.0
18	1263	1291.7	1291.7	1292.9	1291.9	1171.7	1293.0
19	1182	1200.3	1200.3	1199.8	1200.4	1165.6	1199.8
20	1108	1140.8	1140.5	1140.0	1140.9	1164.8	1140.3
21	1089	1115.6	1115.6	1117.8	1115.7	1161.7	1117.8
22	997	1015.8	1015.8	1015.1	1016.0	1150.1	1015.1
23	952	960.6	959.7	960.3	960.8	1148.7	961.1
24	939	949.9	949.9	950.9	949.8	1135.8	950.9
25	768	772.5	772.5	774.2	772.2	1132.1	774.2
26	760	765.6	764.3	759.0	766.4	1051.8	760.2
27	590	598.7	598.7	597.4	598.7	1035.3	597.5
28	460	483.9	480.2	475.0	484.2	1028.3	478.8
29	413	408.7	408.6	408.2	408.8	906.3	408.3
30	260	254.5	254.4	253.3	254.5	602.4	253.4

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201	196.4	89.3	89.3	190.4	597.7	214.6
106	97.0	61.0	61.0	90.0	587.6	109.0
87	53.6	12.7	12.7	84.8	579.4	39.4
	61.3	55.5	54.6	31.0	100.6	60.9
	64.8	70.1	69.4	33.4	191.5	64.5
	90.5	93.5	91.3	43.6	253.5	88.4
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Table S7. Fundamental frequencies of ethoxy ethane calculated with different models

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Model	Expt ¹¹⁵	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
1	2981	3198.9	3198.9	3145.1	2994.7	2988.3	3145.1
2	2980	3191.5	3191.5	3144.2	2994.2	2988.2	3144.2
3	2953	3168.0	3168.0	3141.5	2991.1	2987.3	3141.5
4	2953	3159.7	3159.7	3140.8	2990.5	2987.1	3140.8
5	2936	3069.0	3069.0	3063.2	2985.8	2984.6	3063.2
6	2935	3039.1	3039.1	3062.6	2985.3	2983.8	3062.6
7	2872	3035.4	3035.4	3009.5	2859.1	2855.3	3009.5
8	2872	3034.5	3034.5	3005.0	2858.5	2855.2	3005.0
9	2862	3001.1	3001.1	2984.5	2858.3	2854.7	2984.5
10	2860	2947.7	2947.7	2974.9	2858.2	2854.5	2975.0
11	1492	1540.3	1540.3	1537.3	1538.0	1335.5	1537.3
12	1481	1521.4	1521.4	1518.6	1523.1	1332.2	1518.6
13	1454	1506.9	1506.9	1505.1	1508.0	1332.2	1505.1
14	1454	1504.0	1504.0	1502.1	1507.4	1329.2	1502.1
15	1453	1492.2	1492.1	1489.5	1492.9	1279.6	1489.5
16	1453	1491.6	1491.5	1488.6	1492.0	1273.6	1488.7
17	1419	1459.0	1459.0	1461.7	1458.0	1273.5	1461.7
18	1381	1426.8	1426.8	1421.8	1426.4	1261.9	1421.8
19	1371	1413.4	1413.4	1408.3	1426.3	1233.4	1408.3
20	1354	1387.9	1387.9	1390.1	1388.0	1232.7	1390.1
21	1278	1316.8	1316.4	1316.7	1311.6	1217.8	1317.1
22	1276	1305.5	1305.3	1305.0	1310.8	1204.9	1305.2
23	1170	1207.9	1207.8	1201.9	1204.5	1190.5	1202.1
24	1144	1204.5	1204.3	1199.3	1196.3	1185.3	1199.3
25	1135	1192.8	1192.8	1193.7	1194.5	1184.4	1193.7
26	1130	1175.6	1175.6	1173.6	1176.0	1180.1	1173.7
27	1078	1108.0	1108.0	1107.6	1107.8	1175.6	1107.6
28	1047	1081.8	1081.8	1079.5	1082.1	1173.8	1079.5
29	923	960.5	960.5	957.9	960.4	1152.9	957.9
30	848	875.2	875.2	874.5	875.5	1150.3	874.5
31	823	838.9	837.4	832.3	837.3	1125.8	833.4

32	794	826.6	824.5	817.1	836.8	1125.3	818.7
33	443	448.8	448.8	449.4	448.8	1068.0	449.4
34	441	443.0	443.0	441.0	443.0	1064.0	441.0
35	245	239.9	197.0	196.5	229.0	644.6	252.2
36	240	237.0	134.3	134.3	223.9	606.6	240.5
37	230	197.1	131.5	131.5	197.2	603.6	196.5
38	137	109.1	6.6	6.6	132.7	506.0	109.5
39	126	98.1	3.5	3.5	123.1	497.3	76.2
MSE		62.3	51.8	46.0	25.7	83.5	56.4
MAE		87.8	98.1	92.5	66.8	184.7	82.3
RMS		100.4	110.5	104.1	82.2	240.5	92.9

Table S8. Fundamental frequencies of 1,4-pentadiene calculated with different models

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							Company (C) (C)
Mode	Expt ¹¹⁶	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
1	3080	3288.2	3288.2	3242.7	3090.2	3083.6	3242.7
2	3080	3280.6	3280.6	3242.3	3084.0	3082.8	3242.3
3	3012	3154.0	3154.0	3167.6	3061.9	3058.8	3167.6
4	3012	3142.6	3142.6	3166.9	3057.4	3057.6	3166.9
5	3012	3140.2	3140.2	3152.0	3035.7	3034.4	3152.0
6	3012	3120.7	3120.7	3151.2	3035.6	3034.3	3151.2
7	2982	3105.7	3105.7	3086.6	2938.4	2935.9	3086.6
8	2900	2976.4	2976.4	3041.0	2936.1	2935.5	3041.0
9	1644	1733.8	1733.8	1737.8	1723.7	1623.6	1737.8
10	1640	1728.8	1728.8	1724.2	1723.6	1617.7	1724.2
11	1433	1483.1	1483.1	1486.8	1482.0	1330.7	1486.8
12	1413	1461.7	1461.7	1459.9	1459.8	1314.1	1459.9
13	1413	1456.0	1456.0	1454.5	1459.4	1241.8	1454.5
14	1314	1338.5	1338.5	1340.0	1333.0	1241.5	1340.0
15	1295	1330.4	1330.4	1328.7	1332.2	1233.5	1328.7
16	1280	1311.8	1311.8	1315.3	1309.6	1230.5	1315.3
17	1263	1271.5	1271.5	1274.8	1273.8	1225.6	1274.9
18	1120	1183.2	1183.2	1181.6	1183.1	1222.5	1181.6
19	1060	1097.2	1097.2	1097.3	1095.7	1139.3	1097.4
20	995	1049.1	1049.1	1047.5	1046.8	1128.5	1047.5
21	995	1043.4	1043.4	1042.7	1045.3	1087.2	1042.7
22	995	981.5	981.5	979.0	989.9	1074.0	979.1
23	920	981.4	981.4	971.9	987.1	1034.2	971.9
24	918	979.9	979.9	970.8	981.5	1003.1	970.8
25	876	925.6	925.6	924.5	925.1	943.8	924.5
26	760	910.5	910.4	908.3	913.0	939.3	908.3
27	721	691.2	691.1	691.1	685.9	901.8	691.2
28	562	626.8	625.3	624.3	633.7	884.1	625.7
29	421	467.4	466.5	465.2	467.5	682.6	466.4
30	421	382.1	382.1	380.9	382.3	653.2	380.9
31	331	305.4	301.2	299.9	305.9	598.6	304.0

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32	137	97.8	142.1	142.1	92.0	558.4	97.4
33	102	85.0	139.1	139.1	91.7	470.9	82.8
MSE		61.0	63.8	64.2	31.6	75.3	61.4
MAE		70.9	70.6	71.3	43.9	116.6	71.8
RMS		87.1	87.1	86.6	52.1	157.9	86.7

Mode	Expt ¹¹⁵	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	НО
1	2977	3141.4	3141.4	3126.0	2977.4	2974.1	3126.0
2	2973	3140.2	3140.2	3122.3	2974.3	2973.9	3122.3
3	2968	3139.5	3139.5	3120.8	2962.3	2958.4	3120.8
4	2968	3128.4	3128.4	3109.7	2962.3	2957.9	3109.7
5	2967	3110.1	3110.1	3078.0	2961.3	2957.7	3078.0
6	2962	3007.4	3007.4	3050.1	2957.7	2956.9	3050.1
7	2887	3005.7	3005.7	3046.4	2937.9	2936.9	3046.4
8	2887	2989.5	2989.5	3042.0	2937.8	2936.7	3042.0
9	1476	1517.9	1517.9	1517.5	1509.3	1283.2	1517.5
10	1472	1514.3	1514.3	1511.9	1508.5	1279.0	1511.9
11	1464	1503.1	1503.1	1502.1	1506.7	1265.5	1502.1
12	1462	1499.3	1499.3	1498.3	1506.4	1258.8	1498.3
13	1451	1496.3	1496.3	1493.8	1505.5	1253.6	1493.8
14	1392	1432.8	1432.8	1426.7	1434.0	1248.1	1426.7
15	1378	1419.8	1419.8	1412.7	1431.8	1238.1	1412.7
16	1338	1368.4	1368.4	1372.7	1368.1	1231.2	1372.7
17	1278	1321.2	1321.1	1321.0	1321.7	1220.5	1321.1
18	1192	1218.8	1218.8	1217.6	1218.9	1216.1	1217.6
19	1158	1182.9	1182.9	1185.0	1183.0	1188.1	1185.0
20	1054	1080.3	1080.3	1074.6	1080.2	1183.3	1074.6
21	940	940.3	940.3	939.4	939.9	1179.5	939.5
22	922	918.4	918.3	915.9	918.9	1178.2	916.0
23	869	883.5	883.5	886.0	884.0	1168.8	886.0
24	748	766.4	763.7	753.6	766.9	1164.4	755.8
25	369	375.7	375.7	374.6	375.6	1031.1	374.8
26	268	267.5	3.1	3.1	240.1	1027.4	270.6
27	216	219.0	0.5	0.5	234.2	670.8	218.1
MSE		53.4	34.7	35.3	21.9	73.3	54.0
MAE		53.7	71.9	72.7	25.9	186.1	54.5
RMS		75.4	100.8	101.4	31.5	269.0	76.2

Table S9. Fundamental frequencies of propane calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

Mode	Expt ¹¹⁶	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	HO
1	3090	3286.3	3286.3	3241.8	3089.6	3083.1	3241.8
2	3013	3162.9	3162.9	3165.1	3056.4	3056.9	3165.1
3	2991	3134.4	3134.4	3151.6	3031.7	3031.0	3151.6
4	2954	3116.4	3116.4	3133.4	2990.5	2985.1	3133.4
5	2954	3106.1	3106.1	3106.7	2957.6	2954.8	3106.7
6	2871	2999.9	2999.9	3047.7	2955.6	2953.9	3047.7
7	1650	1730.6	1730.6	1735.7	1730.2	1631.1	1735.7
8	1470	1503.7	1503.7	1501.2	1501.5	1338.8	1501.2
9	1443	1488.6	1488.6	1483.8	1488.3	1258.9	1483.8
10	1420	1457.5	1457.5	1457.5	1459.2	1233.6	1457.5
11	1378	1424.9	1424.9	1413.2	1427.1	1232.1	1413.2
12	1297	1337.4	1337.4	1336.3	1337.6	1231.8	1336.3
13	1171	1201.0	1201.0	1200.3	1201.0	1227.9	1200.3
14	1045	1082.0	1081.9	1079.9	1078.4	1177.7	1080.0
15	991	1036.2	1036.1	1035.7	1037.5	1153.3	1035.7
16	963	980.1	980.1	961.2	980.6	1131.3	961.2
17	920	957.8	957.8	955.3	951.1	1072.0	955.3
18	912	932.1	932.1	935.1	940.6	980.4	935.1
19	578	599.8	597.0	592.3	601.4	933.1	594.9
20	428	437.3	437.3	436.0	437.7	883.4	436.0
21	174	189.9	23.1	23.1	193.5	757.0	202.0
MSE		69.1	61.1	60.9	35.0	75.9	69.6
MAE		69.1	75.4	75.5	35.0	146.3	69.8
RMS		90.0	95.7	98.0	40.5	207.0	92.5

Table S10. Fundamental frequencies of propene calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

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Mode	Expt ¹¹⁵	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	HO
1	2968	3157.1	3157.1	3125.0	2981.0	2975.1	3125.0
2	2968	3138.1	3138.1	3124.4	2977.6	2975.0	3124.4
3	2965	3135.2	3135.2	3115.5	2963.4	2959.5	3115.5
4	2965	3115.2	3115.2	3111.8	2961.2	2959.3	3111.8
5	2930	3100.2	3100.2	3081.1	2960.2	2958.2	3081.1
6	2912	3085.0	3085.0	3059.4	2958.2	2958.1	3059.4
7	2872	3055.4	3055.4	3044.5	2925.7	2924.1	3044.5
8	2870	3053.1	3053.1	3044.1	2925.5	2924.0	3044.1
9	2853	3020.4	3020.4	3041.0	2925.4	2923.9	3041.0
10	2853	2998.6	2998.6	3033.8	2924.7	2923.9	3033.8
11	1461	1516.9	1516.9	1517.0	1510.8	1278.3	1517.0
12	1461	1511.5	1511.5	1510.9	1510.6	1275.2	1510.9
13	1461	1508.8	1508.7	1508.2	1509.0	1269.9	1508.2
14	1460	1506.9	1506.9	1506.1	1508.7	1266.0	1506.1
15	1460	1498.8	1498.8	1498.2	1501.9	1260.2	1498.3
16	1442	1496.2	1496.2	1495.8	1500.8	1258.2	1495.8
17	1382	1431.0	1431.0	1423.8	1434.2	1257.0	1423.8
18	1379	1425.8	1425.8	1421.4	1433.9	1255.9	1421.4
19	1361	1403.2	1403.2	1406.9	1402.9	1233.5	1406.9
20	1300	1339.0	1338.9	1339.5	1333.2	1231.2	1339.5
21	1290	1327.4	1327.4	1330.2	1332.6	1229.6	1330.2
22	1257	1296.7	1296.6	1297.2	1296.8	1229.5	1297.3
23	1180	1215.5	1215.5	1214.9	1215.6	1213.2	1214.9
24	1151	1178.6	1178.6	1180.0	1178.7	1210.6	1180.0
25	1059	1085.8	1085.8	1082.7	1085.5	1178.2	1082.7
26	1009	1039.5	1039.5	1034.5	1039.4	1175.5	1034.5
27	964	990.8	990.8	989.5	991.5	1171.4	989.5
28	948	971.7	971.6	971.7	971.9	1171.4	971.8
29	837	852.8	852.8	853.4	853.0	1168.2	853.4
30	803	824.7	824.6	822.4	824.5	1165.9	822.4
31	731	751.2	748.2	739.8	752.0	1065.4	742.6
32	425	432.0	432.0	432.0	432.1	1035.9	432.0
33	271	267.2	267.1	264.7	267.4	1034.0	269.3

Table S11. Fundamental frequencies of butane calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

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34	225	253.1	164.8	164.8	231.2	606.8	264.9
35	194	221.9	13.6	13.6	229.7	590.2	237.0
36	102	120.7	3.6	3.6	127.5	588.6	121.9
MSE		71.0	59.4	56.5	33.6	87.0	69.0
MAE		71.2	78.5	75.7	34.1	180.4	69.1
RMS		95.0	101.2	97.4	39.0	251.6	91.3

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Mode	Expt ¹¹⁶	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	HO
1	3086	3277.8	3277.8	3239.8	3082.1	3080.8	3239.8
2	2998	3177.0	3177.0	3155.2	3059.7	3057.0	3155.2
3	2998	3165.7	3165.7	3144.9	3019.9	3018.7	3144.9
4	2970	3159.9	3159.9	3132.4	2981.9	2977.6	3132.4
5	2970	3104.6	3104.6	3123.8	2975.0	2973.6	3123.8
6	2925	3099.3	3099.3	3086.1	2967.6	2964.2	3086.1
7	2908	3005.9	3005.9	3050.3	2951.2	2950.2	3050.3
8	2851	2969.3	2969.3	3043.5	2924.0	2922.0	3043.5
9	1645	1727.5	1727.5	1733.0	1727.4	1619.7	1733.0
10	1457	1513.4	1513.3	1512.3	1512.2	1338.3	1512.3
11	1457	1506.5	1506.5	1502.1	1506.9	1260.2	1502.1
12	1450	1492.1	1492.1	1492.8	1492.7	1257.2	1492.8
13	1420	1462.9	1462.9	1462.7	1462.8	1251.2	1462.8
14	1390	1430.7	1430.7	1417.7	1430.9	1250.4	1417.7
15	1307	1349.8	1349.8	1356.1	1346.9	1249.8	1356.1
16	1294	1331.2	1331.2	1329.1	1332.2	1236.9	1329.1
17	1264	1297.1	1297.1	1298.5	1297.7	1226.8	1298.6
18	1174	1210.9	1210.9	1209.7	1211.0	1215.4	1209.8
19	1073	1104.0	1104.0	1104.8	1102.4	1212.2	1104.8
20	1020	1049.3	1049.2	1048.3	1046.8	1183.2	1048.3
21	993	1038.3	1038.3	1036.1	1041.6	1170.4	1036.2
22	980	1000.8	1000.7	999.3	1001.3	1159.2	999.3
23	912	982.8	982.8	964.8	982.2	1100.7	964.8
24	853	869.2	869.1	869.9	869.4	1017.5	869.9
25	788	811.0	810.5	805.4	811.5	938.8	805.8
26	623	663.8	662.4	659.8	663.7	897.0	661.2
27	437	443.9	439.8	440.5	443.9	886.4	444.8
28	320	324.6	323.2	320.5	325.1	704.4	322.0
29	282	223.7	35.7	35.7	224.2	623.8	227.6
30	237	106.3	6.5	6.5	108.7	573.3	112.6
MSE		60.6	50.7	50.0	27.4	74.5	60.2
MAE		73.2	82.5	81.8	40.0	141.1	72.1
RMS		93.2	108.6	107.9	47.7	183.5	92.0

 Table S12. Fundamental frequencies of 1-butene calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

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Mode	Expt ¹¹⁶	UM-N	UM-VT	UM-T	E-optimized	E'-optimized	HO
1	2973	3157.6	3157.6	3127.8	2979.2	2974.9	3127.8
2	2967	3157.0	3157.0	3126.4	2976.3	2974.1	3126.4
3	2965	3117.8	3117.8	3119.3	2965.8	2959.6	3119.3
4	2965	3115.7	3115.7	3116.4	2961.9	2959.4	3116.4
5	2930	3097.3	3097.3	3086.1	2959.7	2958.8	3086.1
6	2930	3093.7	3093.7	3071.7	2959.6	2958.3	3071.7
7	2908	3079.2	3079.2	3051.6	2926.9	2925.4	3051.6
8	2892	3060.7	3060.7	3048.9	2926.6	2925.0	3048.9
9	2879	3017.9	3017.9	3046.5	2925.9	2924.4	3046.5
10	2866	3007.5	3007.5	3044.2	2925.6	2924.2	3044.2
11	2866	3005.4	3005.4	3038.7	2912.6	2910.4	3038.7
12	2866	2971.2	2971.2	3025.5	2911.9	2910.0	3025.5
13	1480	1517.6	1517.6	1517.7	1510.0	1263.5	1517.7
14	1476	1511.0	1511.0	1510.3	1508.7	1261.3	1510.3
15	1469	1506.4	1506.4	1504.2	1508.3	1259.7	1504.2
16	1463	1506.3	1506.3	1503.5	1508.1	1259.0	1503.5
17	1462	1503.4	1503.4	1501.1	1504.0	1256.9	1501.1
18	1456	1495.2	1495.2	1494.5	1501.0	1255.6	1494.5
19	1450	1494.0	1494.0	1493.3	1498.3	1251.1	1493.3
20	1389	1429.1	1429.1	1423.3	1434.2	1250.8	1423.3
21	1379	1426.6	1426.6	1419.4	1433.5	1249.8	1419.4
22	1379	1414.4	1414.4	1417.4	1413.2	1239.2	1417.4
23	1346	1375.2	1375.2	1378.6	1375.4	1238.7	1378.6
24	1346	1339.2	1339.2	1339.8	1336.9	1233.8	1339.9
25	1303	1334.5	1334.4	1334.4	1335.9	1231.9	1334.5
26	1269	1298.1	1298.1	1300.4	1298.6	1231.7	1300.4
27	1269	1273.0	1273.0	1273.1	1273.1	1224.9	1273.2
28	1170	1211.7	1211.7	1211.5	1211.8	1214.1	1211.5
29	1144	1172.8	1172.8	1173.5	1172.8	1211.5	1173.5
30	1073	1097.0	1097.0	1093.4	1097.0	1202.2	1093.4
31	1036	1065.0	1065.0	1064.1	1058.3	1177.3	1064.1
32	1024	1052.6	1052.6	1051.0	1056.4	1176.0	1051.0
33	993	1001.9	1001.8	1001.5	1001.9	1171.4	1001.6

 Table S13. Fundamental frequencies of pentane calculated with different models (cm⁻¹).

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34	910	942.2	942.2	940.1	941.5	1171.2	940.1	
35	867	885.9	885.9	885.0	886.8	1169.4	885.0	-
36	858	876.7	876.7	874.6	876.8	1165.1	874.7	¥
37	766	776.6	775.6	770.7	766.1	1074.3	771.6	A CONTRACTOR
38	727	744.8	742.5	734.6	761.7	1071.2	736.8	
39	406	405.9	405.9	404.9	405.8	1041.3	404.9	
40	401	404.7	404.7	403.5	404.7	1034.6	403.5	
41	215	244.2	180.7	179.7	228.5	651.6	242.7	
42	210	235.0	153.2	153.2	224.1	603.6	233.2	
43	179	180.7	146.0	146.0	180.9	600.9	179.6	
44	131	109.4	13.6	13.6	131.7	588.1	106.3	
45	88	102.2	2.4	2.4	113.7	461.3	89.8	
MSE		59.4	51.0	50.6	25.6	81.3	58.6	
MAE		60.7	65.8	65.5	26.1	180.8	60.0	
RMS		85.2	88.3	88.4	30.9	242.3	85.2	

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