

Supporting Information for

Direct *ab initio* dynamics study of radical C₄H ($\tilde{X}^2\Sigma^+$) + CH₄ reaction

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Table S1 Cartesian coordinates for various species on the potential energy surface of the C₄H+ CH₄ reaction optimized at the BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level.

C ₄ H	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	2.045126000	CH ₄	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.000000000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.766964000		H	-0.626163000	0.626163000	0.626163000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-0.562013000		H	0.626163000	-0.626163000	0.626163000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.777231000		H	-0.626163000	-0.626163000	-0.626163000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	-2.837076000		H	0.626163000	0.626163000	-0.626163000
HC ₄ H	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	1.880235000	C ₄ H ₂	C	2.878308000	-0.610634000	-0.000070000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.682790000		C	1.715163000	-0.089511000	-0.000011000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-0.682790000		C	0.543917000	0.435954000	0.000051000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.880235000		C	-0.634377000	0.964469000	0.000111000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	-2.938705000		H	-0.752768000	2.036921000	-0.000418000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	2.938705000		H	-1.513308000	0.338605000	0.000609000
TS1	C	-0.686732000	1.047898000	-0.001935000	TS2	C	2.843006000	-0.686244000	-0.000051000
	C	0.372507000	0.397059000	0.001899000		C	1.711830000	-0.107386000	0.000014000
	C	1.652343000	-0.035938000	0.002643000		C	0.566381000	0.497192000	0.000057000
	C	2.785193000	-0.444150000	-0.001738000		C	-0.600917000	1.001231000	0.000072000
	H	3.782932000	-0.798748000	-0.003670000		H	-0.926330000	2.024214000	-0.000376000
	C	-2.864739000	-0.516580000	-0.000146000		C	-2.686619000	-0.673431000	-0.000026000
	H	-2.704705000	-1.111451000	-0.889397000		H	-2.191685000	-1.631994000	-0.033579000
	H	-2.722768000	-1.093338000	0.904022000		H	-3.160660000	-0.412709000	0.933467000
	H	-2.083080000	0.326387000	-0.000341000		H	-1.527871000	0.198935000	0.000665000
	H	-3.823809000	-0.012581000	-0.014951000		H	-3.195541000	-0.366621000	-0.900574000
CH ₃	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.000000000					
	H	0.000000000	1.075195000	0.000000000					
	H	0.931146000	-0.537597000	0.000000000					
	H	-0.931146000	-0.537597000	0.000000000					

Table S2 Cartesian coordinates for various species on the potential energy surface of the C₄H + CH₄ reaction optimized at the CCSD/6-31G(d,p) level.

C ₄ H	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	2.077916000	CH ₄	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.000000000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.785299000		H	0.627900000	0.627900000	0.627900000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-0.570888000		H	-0.627900000	-0.627900000	0.627900000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.795957000		H	-0.627900000	0.627900000	-0.627900000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	-2.860601000		H	0.627900000	-0.627900000	-0.627900000

HC ₄ H	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	1.908758000	TS1	C	-0.689121000	-0.635694000	0.000391000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.694004000		C	0.470730000	-0.211091000	-0.000336000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-0.694004000		C	1.834572000	0.031372000	-0.000718000
	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.908758000		C	3.028760000	0.265954000	0.000505000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	-2.972497000		H	4.074875000	0.459149000	0.000588000
	H	0.000000000	0.000000000	2.972497000		C	-3.214933000	0.294139000	0.000000000
CH ₃	C	0.000000000	0.000000000	0.000000000		H	-3.920404000	-0.531477000	-0.017670000
	H	0.000000000	1.077471000	0.000000000		H	-3.297635000	0.882940000	0.908506000
	H	0.933118000	-0.538736000	0.000000000		H	-2.153937000	-0.187528000	0.001943000
	H	-0.933118000	-0.538736000	0.000000000		H	-3.282944000	0.908837000	-0.892412000

Table S3 Harmonic vibrational frequencies (cm⁻¹) for various species calculated at the BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level and available experimental data.

Species	Frequencies(cm ⁻¹)	Expt.
C ₄ H	3519, 2180, 1915, 941, 739, 583, 494, 374, 214, 47	3307 ^[1] , 2084 ^[1] , 2064 ^[2-4] , 2061 ^[1,3,5] , 960 ^[6]
CH ₄	3217, 3217, 3217, 3091, 1585, 1585, 1356, 1356, 1356	3019, 2917, 1534, 1306 ^[7]
TS1	3532, 3263, 3253, 3132, 2181, 2044, 1773, 1505, 1488, 1315, 1290, 1221, 941, 727, 659, 511, 509, 356, 291, 211, 205, 65, 39, -342	
TS2	3323, 3316, 3313, 3144, 2212, 1840, 1443, 1442, 1373, 1194, 1019, 996, 940, 676, 591, 555, 534, 437, 308, 206, 193, 76, 24, -1160	
HC ₄ H	3583, 3583, 2409, 2218, 948, 810, 810, 706, 706, 635, 635	3329, 3293, 2184, 2020, 874, 630, 627, 482, 231 ^[7]
C ₄ H ₂	3335, 3242, 2264, 1833, 1401, 968, 965, 825, 538, 423, 187, 144	
CH ₃	3357, 3357, 3166, 1426, 1426, 479	3087 ^[8] , 2931 ^[9] , 1428 ^[9] , 1323 ^[8]

Table S4 Harmonic vibrational frequencies (cm⁻¹) for various species calculated at the CCSD/6-31G(d,p) level .

Species	Frequencies(cm ⁻¹)
C ₄ H	3515, 2177, 1911, 1013, 903, 615, 554, 384, 300, 201
CH ₄	3235, 3235, 3235, 3106, 1615, 1615, 1404, 1404, 1404
TS1	3525, 3271, 3269, 3144, 2361, 2059, 1542, 1527, 1522, 1326, 1317, 1208, 881, 587, 573, 452, 448, 376, 310, 210, 199, 61, 16, -502
HC ₄ H	3526, 2315, 2119, 901, 616, 616, 581, 581, 511, 511, 249, 249
CH ₃	382, 3382, 3196, 1475, 1475, 422

Table S5 Sum of electronic and zero-point energies(E(elec)+ZPE), sum of electronic and thermal energies(E(elec)+Ecorr), sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies(E(elec)+Hcorr), sum of electronic and thermal free energies(E(elec)+Gcorr) for various species on the PES at the BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level, respectively. (Unit. Hartree)

Species	E(elec)+ZPE	E(elec)+Ecorr	E(elec)+Hcorr	E(elec)+Gcorr
C ₄ H	-152.695	-152.690	-152.689	-152.720
CH ₄	-40.449	-40.446	-40.445	-40.466
TS1	-193.140	-193.133	-193.132	-193.172
TS2	-193.106	-193.099	-193.098	-193.138
HC ₄ H	-153.368	-153.363	-153.363	-153.390

C ₄ H ₂	-153.304	-153.299	-153.298	-153.330
CH ₃	-39.787	-39.784	-39.783	-39.805

Table S6 Sum of electronic and zero-point energies($E(\text{elec})+\text{ZPE}$), sum of electronic and thermal energies($E(\text{elec})+E_{\text{corr}}$), sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies($E(\text{elec})+H_{\text{corr}}$), sum of electronic and thermal free energies($E(\text{elec})+G_{\text{corr}}$) for various species on the PES at the CCSD/6-31G(d,p) level, respectively. (Unit. Hartree)

Species	$E(\text{elec})+\text{ZPE}$	$E(\text{elec})+E_{\text{corr}}$	$E(\text{elec})+H_{\text{corr}}$	$E(\text{elec})+G_{\text{corr}}$
C ₄ H	-152.28328	-152.279191	-152.278246	-152.307246
CH ₄	-40.339798	-40.336938	-40.335993	-40.357106
TS1	-192.621955	-192.614583	-192.613639	-192.654604
HC ₄ H	-152.98703	-152.982570	-152.981625	-153.009844
CH ₃	-39.68325	-39.680119	-39.679175	-39.701391

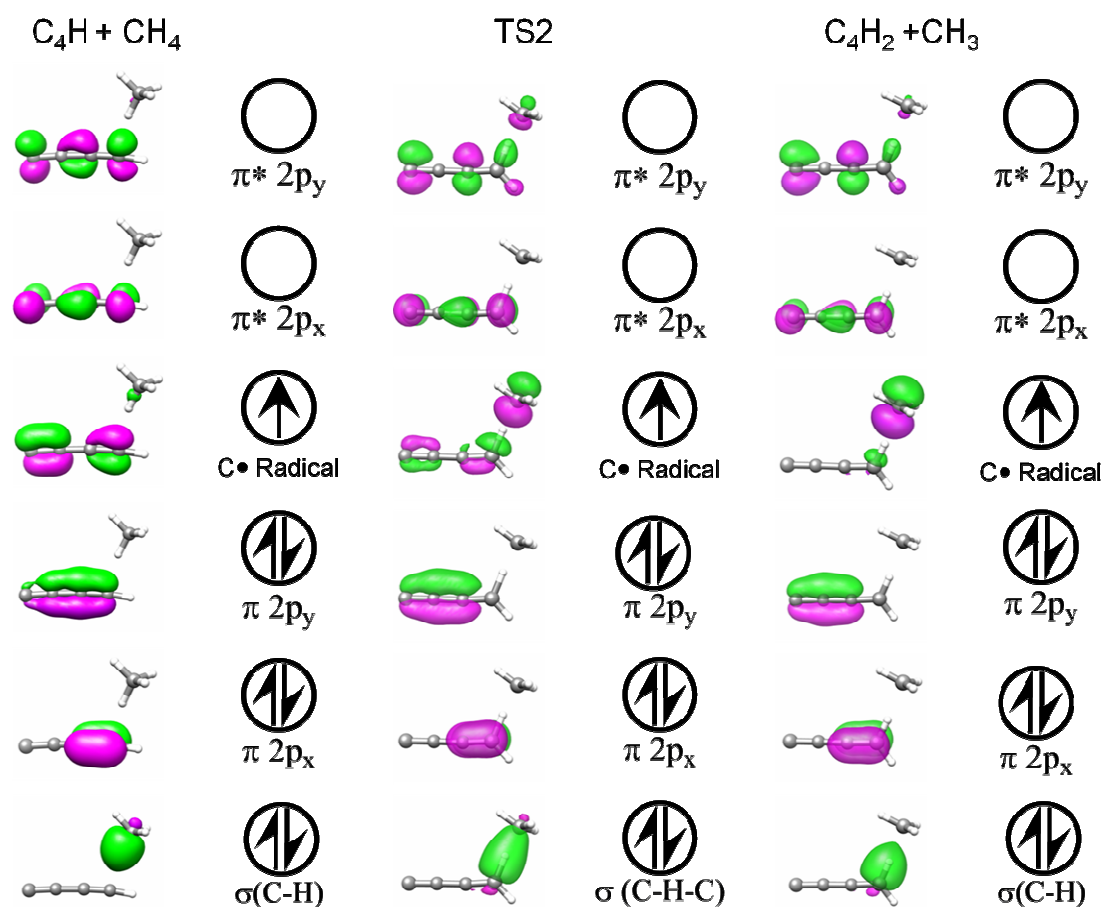
Table S7 The relative electron energies at the BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (BB1K/B1), UCCSD(T)/6-311+G(2df,p)//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B2//BB1K), at the UCCSD(T)/6-311++G(3df,2pd)//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B3//BB1K), and at the UCCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B4//BB1K), respectively. (Unit. kcal/mol)

Species	BB1K/B1	CCSD(T)/B2//BB1K	CCSD(T)/B3//BB1K	CCSD(T)/B4//BB1K
R (C ₄ H+CH ₄)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TS1	3.31	1.98	2.01	1.63
P (HC ₄ H+CH ₃)	-6.07	-28.93	-27.81	-27.75

Table S8 The Relative free energy BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (BB1K/B1), UCCSD(T)/6-311+G(2df,p)//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B2//BB1K), at the UCCSD(T)/6-311++G(3df,2pd)//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B3//BB1K), and at the UCCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ//BB1K/6-311G(d,p) level (CCSD(T)/B4//BB1K), respectively. (Unit. kcal/mol)

Species	BB1K/B1			CCSD(T)/B2			CCSD(T)/B3			CCSD(T)/B4		
	ΔE	ΔH	ΔG	ΔE	ΔH	ΔG	ΔE	ΔH	ΔG	ΔE	ΔH	ΔG
R(C ₄ H+CH ₄)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TS1	2.63	1.83	9.24	1.31	0.49	7.91	1.33	0.52	7.94	0.96	0.15	7.56
P(HC ₄ H+CH ₃)	-6.48	-6.66	-5.40	-28.75	-28.93	-27.67	-28.23	-28.41	-27.15	-28.16	-28.34	-27.08

Fig. S1. The electronic transfer behavior of *channel 2* in the title reaction



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