

Multi-wavelength speciation of high-temperature 1-butene pyrolysis

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Abstract

Species time-history measurements provide important kinetics targets for the development and validation of detailed reaction models. Here, a multi-wavelength, multi-species laser absorption strategy is demonstrated that provides high-bandwidth species time-histories during 1-butene pyrolysis behind reflected shock waves. Measured shock tube absorbance traces at nine wavelengths were used to resolve nine species mole fractions in the pyrolysis of 5% 1-butene in argon at 1300 K, 1.8 atm. In addition to existing sensors for 1-butene, methane, ethylene, 1,3-butadiene, propene, allene, benzene, and cyclopentadiene, a new laser absorption sensor for ethane at 3.3519 μm was developed by measuring cross-sections of ethane and of expected major interferers. Additional measurements to complete a square absorption cross-section matrix were also performed that enabled the simultaneous solution of species mole fractions from absorbance time-histories under appropriate physical system constraints. Measured time-histories of the nine product species were also compared with existing flow-reactor-based kinetic mechanisms. The demonstrated method has further application potential in the speciation of larger, more complex fuels.

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1. Introduction

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26 In recent years, efforts to improve detailed kinetic models have motivated the development of
27 advanced speciation techniques in high-temperature studies of hydrocarbon fuels [1]. In particular,
28 the recently introduced hybrid chemistry modeling approach known as HyChem relies on accurate
29 species time-history measurements during the thermal decomposition of hydrocarbons [2–5]. At the
30 short timescales needed to resolve such fast pyrolysis chemistry, shock tube facilities can provide a wide
31 range of well-controlled experimental conditions, and laser absorption spectroscopy offers a high-
32 bandwidth measurement technique for resolving the formation and removal of individual species [6,7].
33 Historically, laser absorption at $3.392\ \mu\text{m}$ has been a popular choice for measuring time-histories of fuels
34 in shock tube kinetics research [8–11]. However, the measured absorbance at any single wavelength may
35 result from the composite absorption of a blend of species with overlapping spectral features, a
36 phenomenon that can obfuscate the determination of individual time-histories in real-fuel
37 experiments. To circumvent this challenge, carefully selected diagnostic wavelengths have been
38 developed to enable targeted measurements of individual species such as methane [12,13], ethylene [14–
39 16], acetylene [17], and iso-butene [18]. In cases where discrete, narrow features are measured, the two-
40 color online/offline technique described in [13] can be used to subtract spectral interference from larger
41 absorbers.

42 However, for species with broader features, such a technique is not always possible. Instead, multi-
43 wavelength diagnostic techniques have been developed for resolving multiple species simultaneously.
44 For example, Parise et al. [19] present a two-wavelength, two-species diagnostic measuring ethylene and
45 propene, and a three-wavelength version that includes iso-butene [20]. In such multi-wavelength
46 speciation methods, measured species serve as unknowns in the simultaneous solution of a system of
47 equations (wavelengths). In fact, the online/offline technique can be thought of as a special case of
48 multi-wavelength speciation: under the assumption of flat interfering absorbance, the online and offline
49 wavelengths provide two equations for two unknowns (absorbance from the target species, and that of all
50 other interferers). Recently, Pinkowski et al. [21] have extended this technique to any number of species

51 within a convex optimization framework. They compiled a database of cross-sections for eleven species
52 at eleven sensitive wavelengths, many of which have been used for standalone diagnostics in the works
53 cited above. The present study represents the first demonstration of this method with application to the
54 pyrolysis of the smallest alkene with an isomeric structure: 1-butene. However, literature data on 1-
55 butene pyrolysis in a flow reactor [22] predicts the formation of a measurable amount of ethane, for
56 which this speciation effort must account. Consequently, the goals of the present work are (1) to provide
57 species time-histories at representative conditions during the high-temperature pyrolysis of 1-butene, (2)
58 to develop a new wavelength for sensitive measurements of ethane in a shock tube, (3) to supplement the
59 cross-section matrix of [21] with species and wavelengths relevant to 1-butene pyrolysis, and (4)
60 demonstrate the convex speciation method described in [21].

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62 **2. Background**

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64 *2.1. Laser absorption spectroscopy*

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66 Laser absorption spectroscopy leverages the propensity of matter to absorb light to enable quantitative
67 measurements of species gas properties. Shown in Eq. 1, the Beer-Lambert equation relates the
68 attenuation of monochromatic light at wavelength λ to the number density of a species. Absorbance (α)
69 is defined as the negative natural logarithm of the transmission (I/I_0). The absorbance is related to the
70 product of the number density of the i^{th} species (n_i) and measurement path length (L) through a
71 proportionality factor (σ) known as absorption cross-section. The absorption cross-section is a
72 wavelength-, temperature-, pressure-, and composition-dependent property of a species that describes its
73 interaction with light.

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$$\alpha_\lambda = -\ln \left(\frac{I}{I_0} \right) = n_i \sigma_\lambda L \quad (1)$$

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76 Eq. 1 presents a formulation of the Beer-Lambert relation that assumes the presence of only a single
 77 absorbing species at a given wavelength. However, when multiple species are present, the absorption
 78 spectrum of each can exhibit appreciable overlap. Therefore, the absorbance α_λ at
 79 wavelength λ becomes the composite absorbance contributed by all constituents. Isolating and studying one
 80 species among a variegated blend presents a challenge for kinetics studies. To support the determination
 81 of mole fractions from blended absorbance measurements, a variety of simultaneously probed wavelengths
 82 can be used to discern between the unique spectral shapes of each individual absorber. In principle, if N
 83 absorbing species are present, at least N wavelengths of light are needed to create a system of linear
 84 equations that can be solved for the mole fraction of all species. Eq. 2 presents representation of
 85 the vectorized formulation of the Beer-Lambert relation for N species and M wavelengths, with x
 86 denoting mole fraction.

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$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{CH_4, \lambda_1} x_{CH_4} + \sigma_{C_2H_4, \lambda_1} x_{C_2H_4} + \cdots \sigma_{N, \lambda_1} x_i &= \frac{\alpha_{\lambda_1}}{nL} \\ \sigma_{CH_4, \lambda_2} x_{CH_4} + \sigma_{C_2H_4, \lambda_2} x_{C_2H_4} + \cdots \sigma_{N, \lambda_2} x_i &= \frac{\alpha_{\lambda_2}}{nL} \\ &\vdots \\ \sigma_{CH_4, \lambda_M} x_{CH_4} + \sigma_{C_2H_4, \lambda_M} x_{C_2H_4} + \cdots \sigma_{N, \lambda_M} x_i &= \frac{\alpha_{\lambda_M}}{nL} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

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89 A convex speciation framework has been proposed by Pinkowski et al.[21] to enable the
 90 simultaneous calculation of mole fractions from a blended set of absorbance measurements. A cross-
 91 section matrix $\{K \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}\}$ ($\text{m}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$), mole fraction vector $\{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$, and normalized absorbance
 92 vector $\{\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^M \mid \vec{b} = \vec{\alpha}/nL\}$ ($\text{m}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$) are established and minimized under constraints. Eq. 3 presents
 93 the objective function and constraints used in the current study. Eq. 3 is solved for a vector of mole

94 fractions using CVX software from CVX Research Inc. [23,24]. Because temperature, and consequently
 95 number density, were not well-known in the present study, the system was solved using the absorption
 96 coefficient matrix k ($\text{atm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$) and pressure-normalized vector $\vec{b} = \vec{a}/PL$ ($\text{atm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$) instead of their
 97 cross-sectional counterparts (defined in terms of $\text{m}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$). Both methods are equivalent; the latter
 98 simply uses more readily measured quantities in its solution.
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(3)

$$\text{Minimize } \|k\vec{x} - \vec{b}\|_2^2$$

Subject to:

- 1) $\vec{x} \geq 0$
- 2) The calculated number of hydrogen and carbon atoms must not exceed the known amount at time-zero
- 3) $k\vec{x} \leq \vec{b}$

100 Three constraints are used in the solution of \vec{x} : (1) that the mole fractions must be positive, (2) that
 101 the calculated number of atoms must not exceed the known number of atoms at time-zero, and (3) that
 102 the sum of the absorbance contribution from each species must be less than or equal to the measured
 103 absorbance at each wavelength. The first and second constraints enforce physically valid mole fractions
 104 and the third constraint asserts that no combination of species can absorb more than measured. The third
 105 constraint creates a system that is robust to interfering absorbers by imposing only positive or zero
 106 unaccounted absorbance of magnitude $(\vec{b} - k\vec{x})$ ($\text{atm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$)

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108 *2.2. Shock tube facilities*

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110 Two pressure-driven, stainless steel shock tubes of comparable bore (13.97 cm and 14.13 cm) were
111 used in the current study to facilitate measurements of cross-sections and species time-histories. The two
112 shock tubes consist of 2.8 meter- and 3.35 meter-long high-pressure driver gas regions, respectively, and
113 9.5/8.54 meter-long regions for low-pressure driven gas. Polycarbonate diaphragms between 0.125 mm
114 and 0.25 mm were used to separate each region and were designed to burst with a pressure differential
115 between 1 and 3 atm. Each shock tube uses a reflected shock wave to nearly instantaneously generate a
116 well-controlled region of high temperature and pressure near the endwall of the driven section. The
117 initial temperature, pressure, and composition of the test gas, along with measurements of the incident
118 shock velocity from five pressure transducers located along the length of the driven section, are all used
119 to determine the thermodynamic state of the gas at time-zero, when the reflected shock passes the
120 measurement plane. In the present work, a shock condition calculator developed by Campbell et al.
121 [25] was used to calculate these conditions. The calculator uses the shock jump equations along with
122 assumptions of frozen chemistry and a vibrationally relaxed system after the incident and reflected
123 shock. Supporting the validity of both assumptions, good agreement was observed between measured and
124 calculated pressures in the present study. Additional support is found in the literature in similar shock
125 tube work [26].

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127 *2.3. Laser systems*

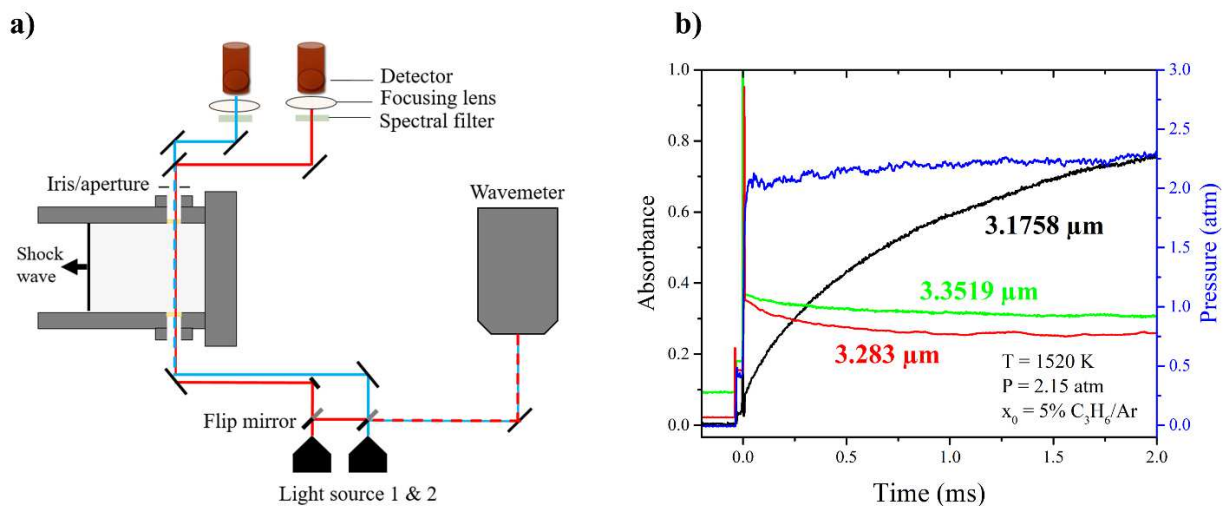
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129 Nine lasers, each emitting light at distinct wavelengths in the 3 μm and 10 μm regions, were aligned
130 through one of the two shock tubes to capture absorption time-histories across a range of conditions.
131 Each shock tube had six optical ports offering three lines-of-sight through which one or two lasers were
132 simultaneously aligned. In total, three separate optical configurations were constructed between both
133 shock tubes to enable measurements of all conditions with all lasers. Experimental tests were duplicated
134 with at least one common laser in each successive configuration to ensure consistent absorption
135 measurements throughout the entire experimental domain. Lasers were chosen with output wavelengths

136 strongly sensitive to methane (tunable interband cascade laser (ICL), online/offline: 3.1758 μm /3.17595
 137 μm [12]), aromatics (ICL, 3.283 μm [21]), ethane (ICL, 3.3519 μm , new in this work), ethylene (CO₂ gas
 138 laser, 10.532 μm [14]), and propene (external cavity quantum cascade laser (EC-QCL), 10.958 μm [19]).
 139 Additional wavelengths to further discern individual species were selected by considering the
 140 availability of cross-section data, unique cross-sectional features, and laser accessibility: the He-Ne laser
 141 output at 3.392 μm [10,11,27,28], CO₂ gas laser wavelength 10.675 μm [15], and 11.325 μm from an
 142 EC-QCL[18]. A Bristol 721 spectrum analyzer was used to confirm the wavelengths of all lasers before
 143 each experiment.

144 To support the sensitive detection of ethane, a new fixed-wavelength diagnostic at 3.3519 μm was
 145 developed in this work. A detailed discussion of the wavelength-selection process and resulting cross-
 146 sections can be found in Appendix A.

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150 **Fig. 1.** (a) Experimental setup of two lasers aligned through one window of a shock tube. (b) Example
 151 absorbance and pressure measurements from a shock tube experiment of 5% propene (C₃H₆) in argon
 152 and an initial temperature of 1520 K.

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154 Fig.1(a) shows a representative two-dimensional schematic of a shock tube facility instrumented
155 with laser diagnostics for kinetics studies. Laser light traverses the test section of the tube through two
156 optical ports and is focused onto individual detectors. Laser measurements near 3 μm generally use
157 sapphire window ports, while systems with laser light near 10 μm use zinc selenide windows. In the
158 present study, all optical setups included narrow-bandpass spectral filters to mitigate detection of thermal
159 emission from the high-temperature gases. Focusing optics were used immediately before either liquid
160 nitrogen-cooled photovoltaic indium antimonide detectors for 3-4 μm light or thermoelectrically-cooled
161 photovoltaic mercury cadmium telluride detectors for 10-12 μm light. Example absorption data for the
162 pyrolysis of propene behind a reflected shock wave are shown in Fig. 1(b). Three lasers probing discrete
163 wavelengths in the 3 μm region gather information about species formation and removal. Absorbance at
164 3.1758 μm , shown in black in Fig.1(a), is largely attributed to the formation of methane. The two other
165 wavelengths indicated in Fig. 1(a), of 3.3519 μm (green) and 3.283 μm (red), measure absorption from a
166 variety of different C-H vibrational stretch modes with competing intensities.

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168 2.4. 1-butene pyrolysis

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170 There is a continuing interest in improving reaction mechanisms for the pyrolysis and oxidation
171 kinetics of butanols, large alkanes (such as n-heptane and iso-octane), and practical fuels such as Jet A.
172 For each of these fuels, 1-butene is known to be an important intermediate species and pyrolysis product,
173 but despite 1-butene's importance in such mechanisms, only a limited number of studies of high-
174 temperature 1-butene kinetics exist. In the last decade, flow reactor experiments performed by Shoaibi et
175 al. [29], Zhang et al. [30], and Wang et al. [22] have guided the development of butene-
176 specific reaction mechanisms. Wang et al. [22] and others [31,32] indicate that fuel fragments from
177 pyrolysis have a strong effect in determining oxidation kinetics. Therefore, characteristics of ignition
178 chemistry can be better understood through an improved understanding of pyrolysis processes.

179 Time-resolved speciation is needed for further refinement of the rate constants that dominate 1-C₄H₈
180 reaction pathways. Although flow reactors can provide sensitive speciation measurements, limited
181 temporal resolution has inhibited their application to high-temperature chemistry. Single pulse shock tube
182 speciation studies have also been conducted, relying on post-reaction samples to determine pyrolysis
183 yields [33]; however, these frozen samples provide limited insight into early-time reaction pathways. To
184 the authors' knowledge, no laser absorption spectroscopy speciation studies of 1-butene pyrolysis have
185 been conducted, likely due to the heavily blended spectra of the hydrocarbon products. The recent
186 establishment of a high-temperature spectroscopic cross-section database and a convex speciation
187 framework have enabled the separation of individual species from blended absorption measurements.
188 Data from the literature [22,29,30,33–36] predict the dominant products of 1-butene pyrolysis to be
189 methane (CH₄), ethylene (C₂H₄), propene (C₃H₆), 1,3-butadiene (1,3-C₄H₆), ethane (C₂H₆), allene
190 (aC₃H₄), benzene (C₆H₆), and cyclopentadiene (C₅H₆). To enable the detection of these predicted major
191 species, a new wavelength was included to leverage strong absorption by ethane in the 3 – 4 μm region,
192 and cross-sections of all nine species were measured, determined from the literature, or estimated at each
193 wavelength used.

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195 **3. Multi-wavelength cross-section matrix**

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197 Multi-wavelength speciation methods rely on a collection of high-temperature absorption cross-
198 section measurements at each probed wavelength for all species of interest. In the current study, a nine-
199 species, nine-wavelength absorption cross-section matrix was used to account for the cross-sections of
200 CH₄, C₂H₄, C₂H₆, C₃H₆, aC₃H₄ (allene), 1-C₄H₈, C₄H₆ (1,3-butadiene), C₅H₆ (cyclopentadiene), and C₆H₆
201 (benzene) at 3.1758 μm, 3.17595 μm, 3.283 μm, 3.3519 μm, 3.392 μm, 10.532 μm, 10.675 μm, 10.958
202 μm, and 11.345 μm. Temperature- and occasionally, pressure-dependent cross-section correlations were
203 required for the 81 cells of the matrix. Appendix B presents the collection of absorption cross-
204 sections used to speciate 1-butene pyrolysis. The quantified uncertainty of each cross-section

205 measurement is particularly important in facilitating a thorough uncertainty quantification of the
206 resulting mole fraction time-histories. For one species, allene, many cross-section approximations were
207 required. However, the majority of the allene absorption cross-sections are predicted to be near zero. In
208 instances where allene absorbs appreciably, such as at 10.958 μm and 11.345 μm , the absorption cross-
209 sections were either known from [37] or approximated from lower-temperature FTIR data. Ultimately,
210 perturbing these approximated cross-sections was shown to have negligible impact upon the resulting
211 mole fraction time-histories.

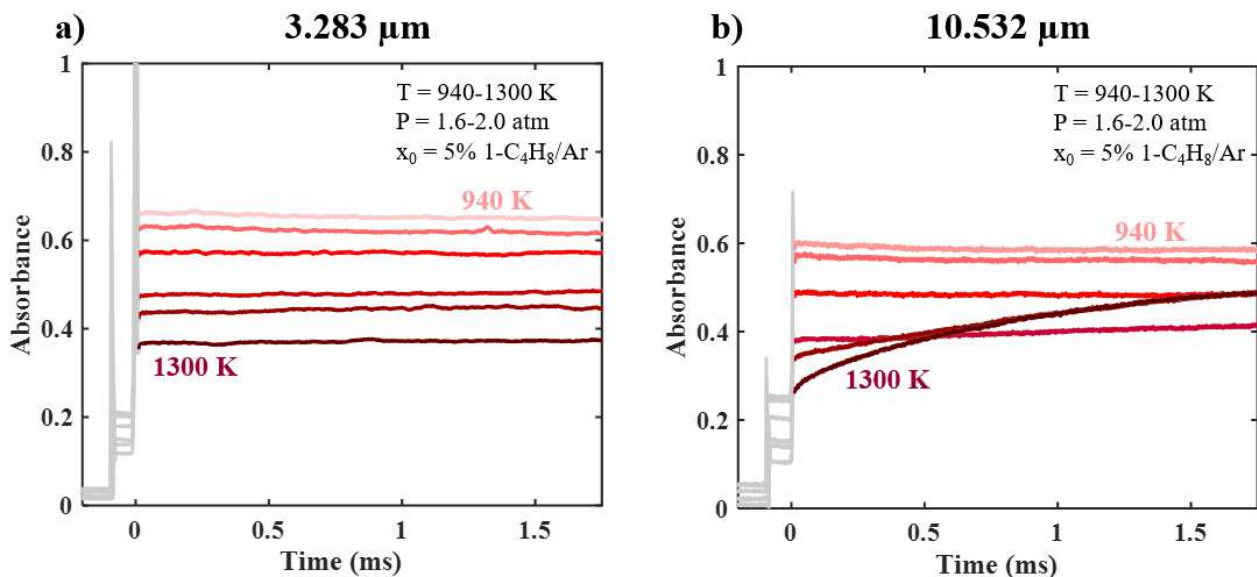
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213 **4. Experimental details**

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215 Experiments on 1-butene utilized two shock tubes, with temperatures ranging from 940 and 1440 K,
216 pressure from 1.5 - 2.2 atm, and concentrations varying between 3-5% 1-butene in a bath gas of
217 argon. Self-consistent temperature trends were observed for all absorbance measurements. Example
218 absorbance traces for 3.283 μm and 10.532 μm are presented in Fig. 2(a) and (b), respectively. Test
219 times across both shock tube facilities were 2ms consistently. The colored data of Fig. 2 were further
220 processed to only include information after time-zero and to discount data corrupted by strong beam
221 steering and diaphragm pieces across the beam path.

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224 **Fig. 2.** Representative absorbance measurements at (a) 3.283 μm and (b) 10.532 μm of 5% 1-butene in
 225 argon at temperatures of 940 K, 946 K, 1028 K, 1116 K, 1220 K, 1300 K.

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227 Data were collected across a span of temperatures for each wavelength of interest to facilitate the
 228 development of cross-section correlations. 1-butene pyrolysis was studied at the common condition of
 229 1300 K and 1.8 atm. To study 1-butene pyrolysis at a common condition across all measurements,
 230 absorbance data for each wavelength was normalized by pressure and path length and interpolated to
 231 produce an approximate absorbance trace at the desired temperature. Uncertainty associated with the
 232 interpolation process was mitigated by the use of large number of shock tube measurements very close to
 233 1300 K and 1.8 atm.

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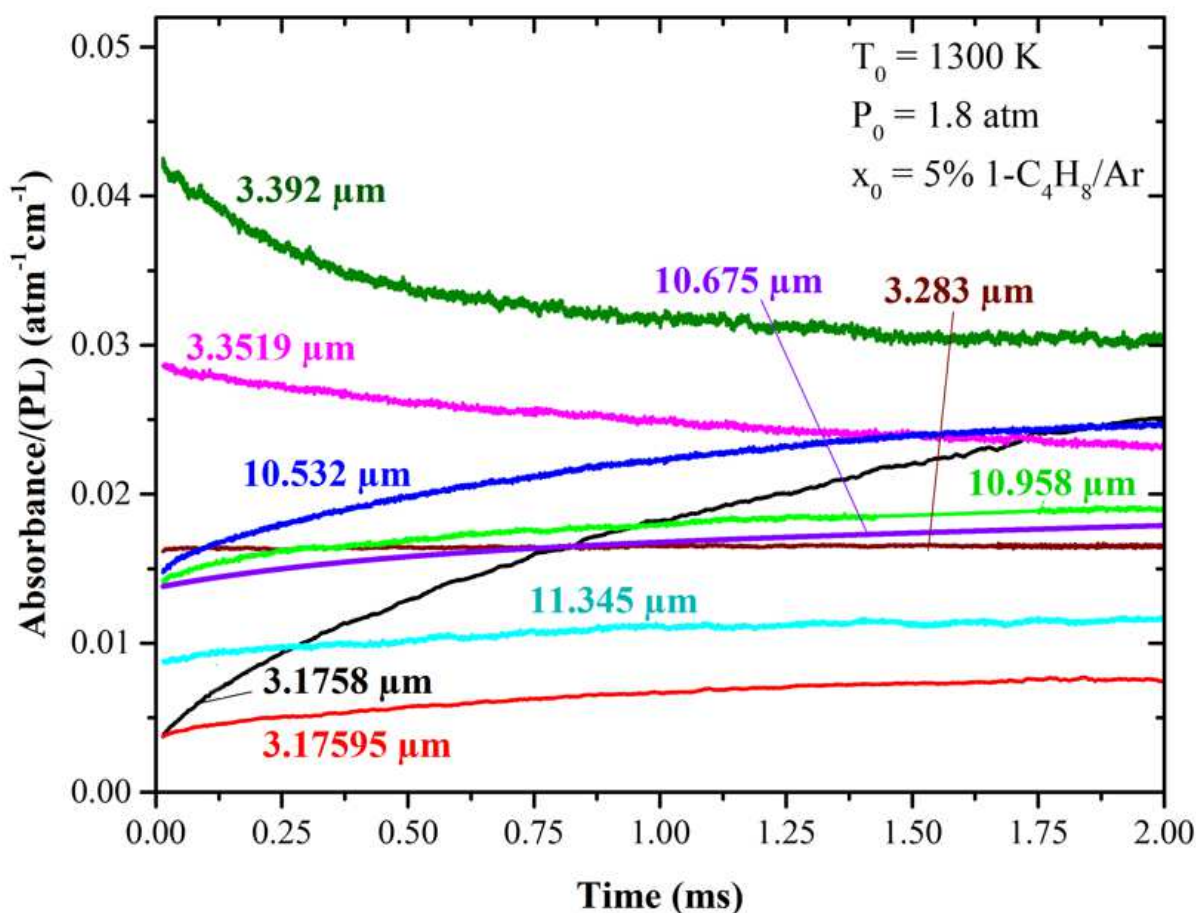
235 5. Results and discussion

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237 5.1. Laser absorbance traces

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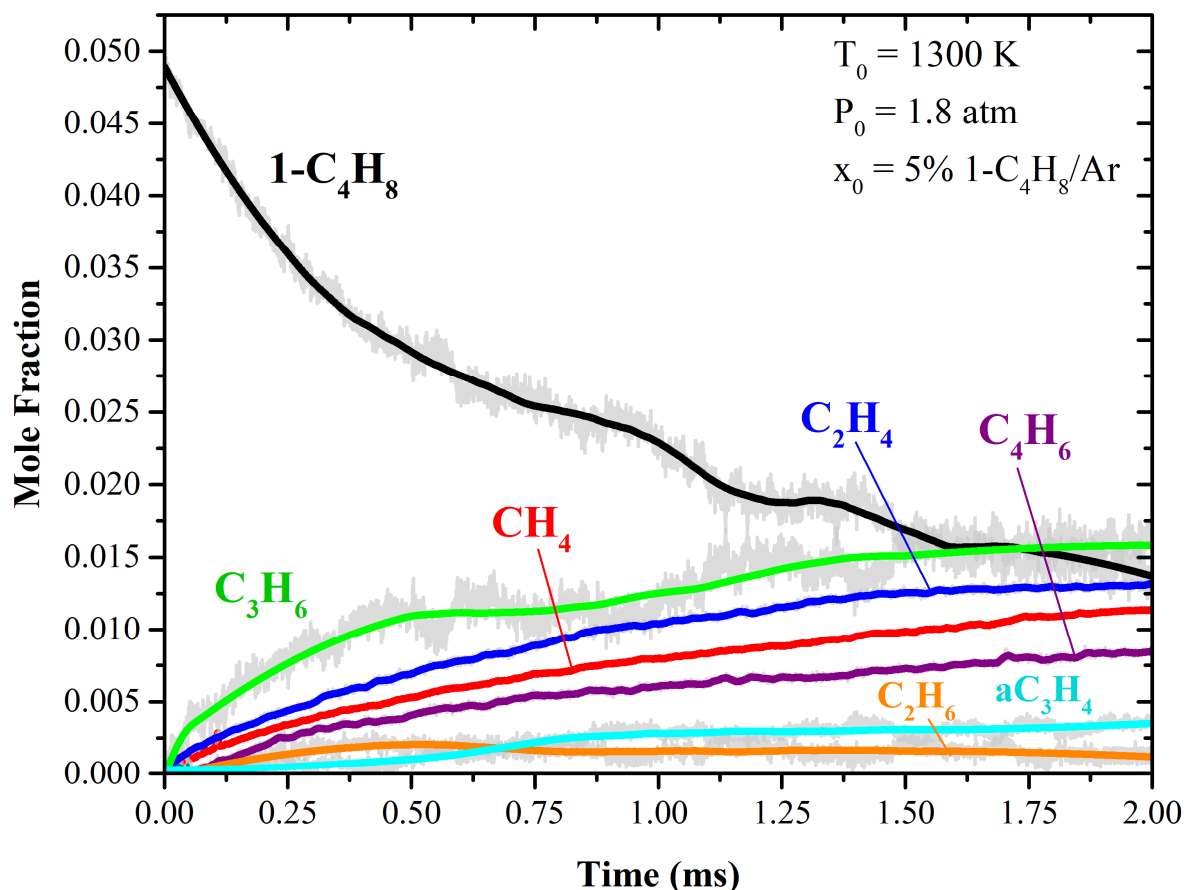
239 Fig. 3 shows pressure- and path length-normalized absorbance time-histories across the nine selected
240 wavelengths during 5% 1-butene/Ar pyrolysis at 1300 K and 1.8 atm. Individual pressure measurements
241 ranged from 1.73-1.85 atm across the experimental domain. For 8 of the 9 wavelengths, the direct output
242 of the interpolated data could be used. However, the absorbance at 10.675 μm was fitted to a double
243 exponential due to low-frequency experimental noise introduced by changes in the density (and therefore
244 refractive index) of the sample gas. Data was cropped from the absorbance time-history at 10.958 μm
245 between 1.5 and 1.75 ms, where the passage of a diaphragm piece created a large deviation in the rise
246 profile.



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248 **Fig. 3.** Pressure- and pathlength-normalized absorbance traces produced at 1300 K through an
249 interpolation of shock tube measurements near 1300 K.

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255 **Fig. 4.** Inferred mole fractions of CH₄, C₂H₄, C₂H₆, C₃H₆, aC₃H₄ (allene), 1-C₄H₈, C₄H₆ (1,3-butadiene),
 256 C₅H₆ (cyclopentadiene), and C₆H₆ from shock tube measurements of 5% 1-C₄H₈ in argon at constant
 257 pressure and an initial temperature of 1300 K. No appreciable amounts of C₆H₆, or C₅H₆ were detected.

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259 Mole fractions were calculated by applying the convex speciation framework to the absorbance data
 260 of Fig. 3 using the database of absorption cross-section correlations presented in [21] and supplemented
 261 here. Example results are shown in Fig. 4. At each instant in time, the convex system of absorbance
 262 measurements and cross-section correlations was solved using the CVX software through Matlab. The
 263 three constraints of Eq. 3 were applied to the solution space at all times. The carbon and hydrogen

264 balance required calculation of the number of the moles in the system, which was estimated from a
265 balance of inert argon using Eq. 4.

$$\hat{N}_t = \left(\frac{x_{0,Ar}}{\hat{x}_{t,Ar}} \right) N_0 \quad (4)$$

266 \hat{N}_t and $\hat{x}_{t,Ar}$ are predictions of the total number of moles and mole fraction of argon at time t , and
267 N_0 , $x_{0,Ar}$ are the total number of moles and mole fraction of argon at time-zero. The time-dependent
268 mole fraction of argon was estimated using Eq. 5, assuming the majority of species were measured.

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$$\hat{x}_{t,Ar} \approx 1 - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \quad (5)$$

270 Because minor species were discounted when estimating the mole fraction of argon, the calculated
271 total number of moles in the system (\hat{N}_t) may slightly underestimate the true molar sum (N_t). However,
272 this systematic error serves to under-constrain, rather than artificially over-constrain, the atomic
273 conservation condition. Nevertheless, because all major species were measured, this method is expected
274 to yield accurate estimates.

275 The solution for mole fractions showed a propensity to fill the hydrogen constraint completely and
276 leave nearly 4% carbon free. Without accounting for hydrogen formation, the optimized solution was
277 found to artificially prefer species characterized by a high hydrogen-to-carbon ratio. Because we cannot
278 measure hydrogen spectroscopically in the infrared region, a simulated hydrogen profile was used to
279 account for the hydrogen time-history in the system. The Wang et al. and Zhang et al. kinetic models are
280 in excellent agreement with respect to hydrogen formation. Therefore, to fulfill a physically valid
281 hydrogen balance, hydrogen formation was simulated as the average time-history between the two
282 models. The free hydrogen and carbon in the system were also constrained with a carbon-to-hydrogen
283 ratio consistent with that of expected minor species.

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285 *5.2.1. Temperature dependence of the absorption cross-sections*

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287 The temperature dependence of the individual absorption cross-section correlations
288 requires specification of the temperature profile during the endothermic pyrolysis process. Commonly, a
289 modeled temperature profile is used in speciation [15,17,19,38,39], and the same approach is used in the
290 current study. A modeled temperature profile was produced by averaging the predictions of the Zhang et
291 al. [30] and Wang et al. [22] mechanisms, which differ by a maximum of only 5 K at any time. All
292 kinetic modeling was conducted at constant pressure, which was supported by experimental
293 measurements. Ultimately, perturbing temperature in the uncertainty analysis indicated a low sensitivity
294 to the chosen temperature profile.

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296 *5.3. Weighted objective function*

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298 Minor and unaccounted species are expected to be present in the system in only trace amounts, yet
299 their sum can constitute a substantial total. Candidate interfering species include: 2-butene, propane,
300 propyne, pentene, toluene, and xylenes. These species created interfering absorbance that increased as a
301 function of time and affected each of the nine wavelengths differently. Due to the wavelength dependency
302 of the interference, the system was found to be unavoidably heteroscedastic (characterized by non-
303 uniform variability), and hence a standard least-squares cost function was deemed inappropriate. As
304 standard in heteroscedastic systems, the weighted cost function presented in Eq. 6 was used.

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$$\text{Minimize } \|W(k\vec{x} - \vec{b})\|_2^2 \quad (6)$$

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307 The matrix $\{W \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N} \mid W_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } i \neq j \text{ and } 0 \leq W_{ii} \leq 1 \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}\}$ was chosen to distribute
308 the squared error evenly across all wavelengths, despite the presence of interfering species. Weights were
309 selected based on best approximations of the spectra of minor species. The procedure for setting the
310 main diagonal of matrix W was: (1) candidate interferers were determined using flow reactor data and
311 existing kinetic mechanisms from the literature, (2) where possible, a composite spectrum of the
312 predicted interfering species was generated using low-temperature FTIR data, (3) the combined spectra
313 were used to create a vector ranging from 0 to 1 that indicated the strength of the interference spectrum
314 at each wavelength, and (4) a time-history was generated that decayed from one to $(1 - \text{strength})$ that
315 followed the system rise-time. The system rise-time was determined from the 10.532 μm absorbance
316 trace. At each instant in time, the elements of the main diagonal of matrix W were set using the time-
317 histories of (4) at each associated wavelength. Ultimately, the recovered time-histories of most species
318 proved relatively insensitive to the individual weights applied. Numerical perturbation of the weighting
319 structure factors into the measured uncertainty of each species recovered.

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321 5.4. Uncertainty quantification

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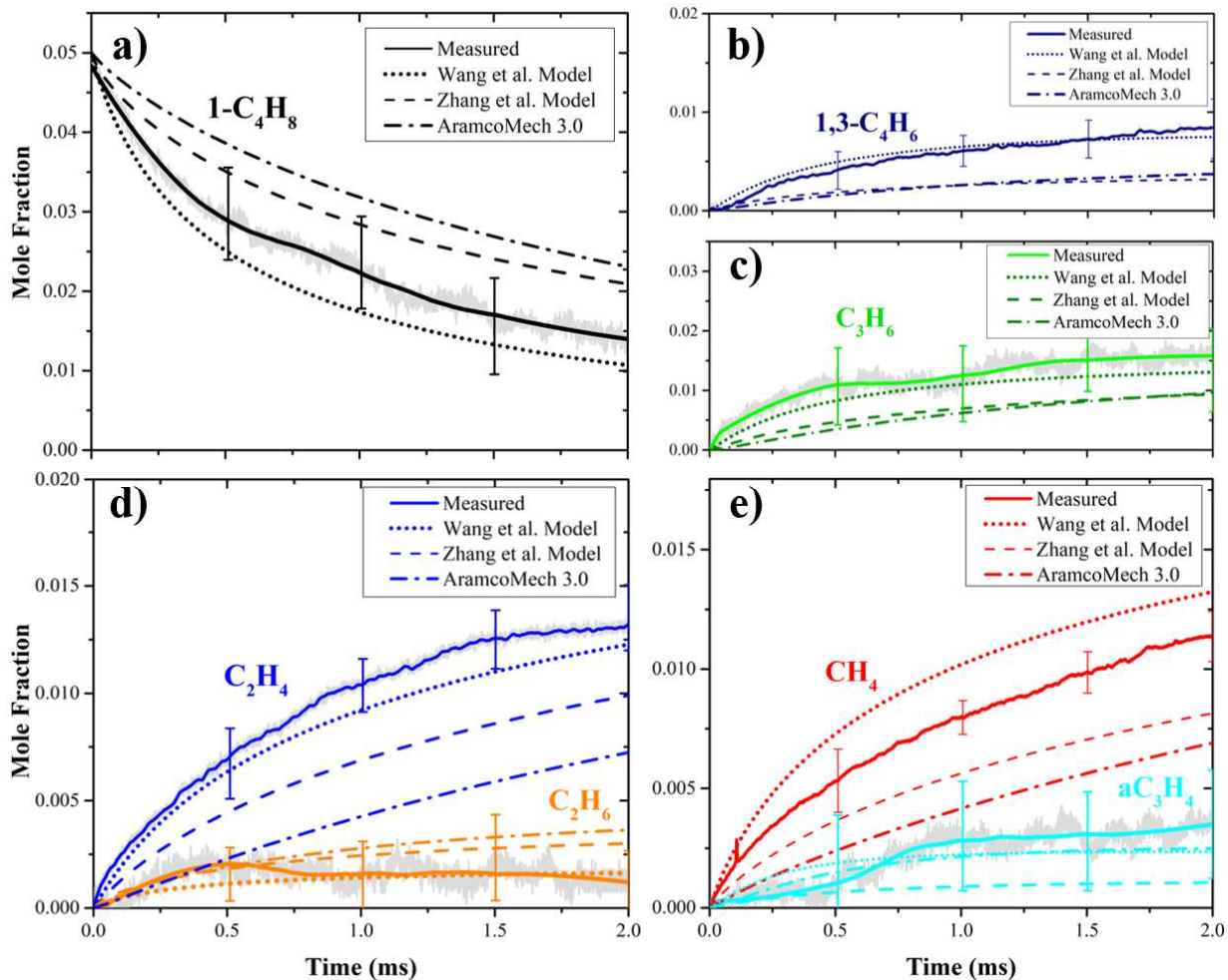
323 Uncertainty was propagated through numerical perturbation of the cross-section correlations,
324 absorbance measurements, and temperature. The uncertainty, u , of species i at time t was calculated to
325 one standard deviation using Eq. 7, assuming that uncertainty in the absorption cross-sections,
326 absorbance, and the temperature dominate.

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$$u_i(t) = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \sigma_{j,k}}\right)^2 \delta \sigma_{j,k}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^M \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial b_j}\right)^2 \delta b_j^2 + \sum_{j=1}^M \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial W_j}\right)^2 \delta W_j^2 + \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial T}\right)^2 \delta T^2} \quad (7)$$

328 $\left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \sigma}\right)$, $\left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial b}\right)$, $\left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial W}\right)$, and $\left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial T}\right)$ are computed numerical derivatives of the mole fraction of species x_i
329 with respect to the cross-section correlation σ , normalized absorbance b , weight W , and the temperature
330 T . $\delta\sigma$, δb , δW , and δT are the associated uncertainties of the cross-sections, normalized absorbance,
331 weights, and the temperature to one standard deviation. The cross-sections uncertainties were calculated
332 using the parameters in Table 2 and [21] using the method described in [21]. δb was estimated by
333 propagating uncertainty through the Beer-Lambert relation with contributions from path length, pressure,
334 and intensities I and I_0 . Notably, the uncertainty associated with the attenuated intensity I was found to be
335 the dominant source of uncertainty in the absorbance time-histories. Uncertainty in the weights was
336 taken as $\delta W = 0.1$. Uncertainty in temperature is conservatively estimated by $\delta T = 20$ K, which is four
337 times larger than the largest temperature difference between the two models. The measured mole
338 fractions including their uncertainties are presented in Fig. 5 to one standard deviation.

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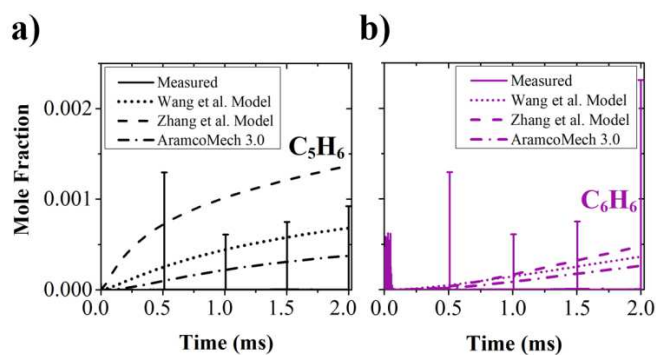
341 **Fig. 5.** Measured mole fractions versus time in comparison to two 1-butene-specific kinetic models, from
 342 Wang et al. [22] and Zhang et al. [30], and also the AramcoMech 3.0 model [40] for (a) 1-butene (b) 1,3-
 343 butadiene (c) propene (d) ethylene and ethane, and (e) methane and allene. Error bars represent 1-sigma
 344 uncertainty.

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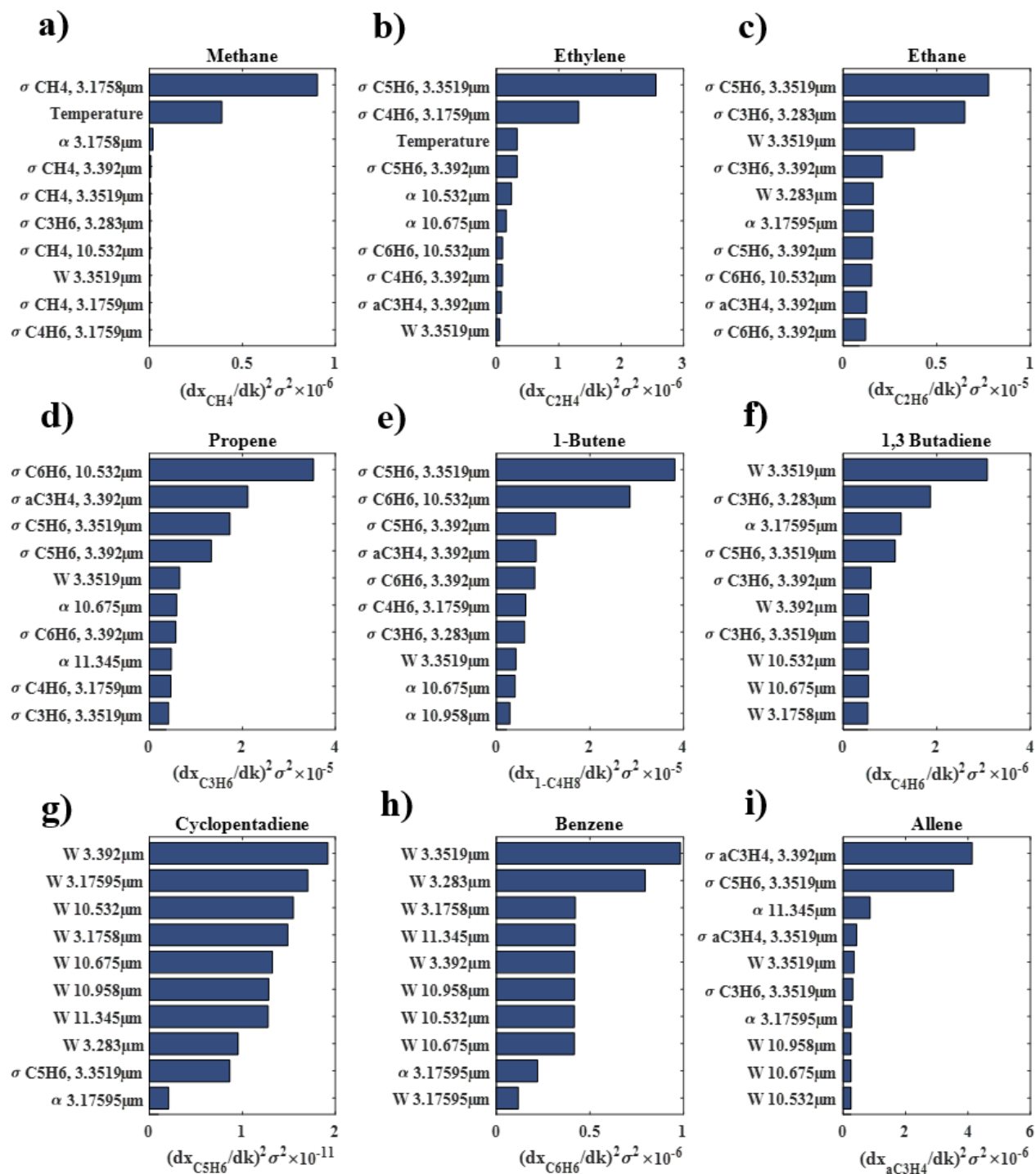
346 The inferred mole fractions and their uncertainties were compared to two 1-butene specific models,
 347 the work of Wang et al. [22] and Zhang et al. [30], as well as the Aramco 3.0 kinetic model [40]. Across
 348 all species, the measured mole fractions were found to be in good agreement with the predictions of the
 349 Wang et al. kinetic model. Two species, 1-butene and methane, were exceptions. They were observed to
 350 react at a slower rate than Wang et al. but a faster rate than the Zhang et al. model. For the majority of

351 species, such as ethylene, 1,3-butadiene, propene, ethane, and allene, the predictions of Wang et al. were
352 well within the experimental uncertainties of the measurements. Comparisons were also drawn
353 against the AramcoMech 3.0 kinetic model and are shown in Fig. 5. A difference in 1-butene
354 decomposition rate was observed between the measured and AramcoMech 3.0 predictions.
355 Consequently, the formation rate of major species such as ethylene, propene, methane, and 1,3-butadiene
356 are predicted to be slower than experimentally measured. Strong agreement exists between AramcoMech
357 3.0 and the inferred mole fraction of allene.

358 Within the sensitivity of the current method, only trace amounts of benzene and cyclopentadiene
359 were detected. However, through the uncertainty analysis, valuable insights can be garnered about
360 cyclopentadiene and benzene in comparison to the existing kinetic models, as shown in Fig. 6 (a-b).
361 Concerning cyclopentadiene, the uncertainty bounds for the current method indicate agreement between
362 the inferred mole fractions and the predictions of Wang et al. and AramcoMech 3.0; however, no such
363 agreement exists in comparison to the Zhang et al. mechanism. No appreciable amount of benzene was
364 detected in the current method, yet the measurement uncertainty encompasses the small amounts of
365 benzene predicted from all models. More fixed-wavelength lasers could be added in order to increase
366 measurement sensitivity and decrease uncertainty for trace species.



367 **Fig. 6.** Measured mole fractions versus time for (a) cyclopentadiene and (b) benzene in comparison to
368 two 1-butene specific kinetics models, from Wang et al. [22] and Zhang et al. [30], and also the
369 AramcoMech 3.0 model [40]. A shared ordinate axis is provided and is notably limited to a mole fraction
370 value of only 0.0025.
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374 **Fig. 7.** The top 10 squared uncertainty contributions from cross-sections (σ), absorbance
 375 measurements (α), temperature, and weight parameter (W) on each species mole fraction at 2 ms for (a)

376 methane, (b) ethylene, (c) ethane, (d) propene, (e) 1-butene,(f) 1,3-butadiene,(g) cyclopentadiene, (h)
377 benzene, and (i) allene. (dx_i/dk) refers to the derivative of the mole fraction with respect to each
378 variable of interest (k indicates either σ , α , T , or W).

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380 In order to identify system parameters for which reduced uncertainty is desired, the measurement
381 uncertainty associated with each cross-section, absorbance, weight, and the temperature profile were
382 evaluated and compared across all species. It was found that a few cross-section correlations were
383 responsible for the majority of the uncertainty in the system. Accordingly, cross-section correlations with
384 the largest contribution to the system uncertainty were identified as prominent targets for future research
385 and cross-section database refinement. Specifically, these include cross-sections of minor species such as
386 benzene and cyclopentadiene. An uncertainty evaluation is presented in Fig.7 to indicate the 10 system
387 parameters contributing the largest uncertainties to the measured mole fractions of the nine species
388 included in the absorption cross-section matrix. Evident in Fig. 7 are the sensitivities to the cross-
389 sections of minor species and the relative insensitivity to the system-weighting parameters for all
390 species. Although weighting parameters appear prominently in the sensitivities of benzene and
391 cyclopentadiene, these species are present in such trace amounts that they cause no significant change in
392 the measured mole fractions of other reported species. Recommended future studies include further
393 absorption cross-section measurements of cyclopentadiene at 3.3519 μm , propene at 3.283 μm , and
394 allene at 3.392 μm .

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396 **6. Conclusion**

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398 In the first demonstration of the laser absorption spectroscopy matrix speciation method proposed in
399 [21], shock tube time-histories of nine wavelengths were used to resolve species mole fractions during
400 the high-temperature pyrolysis of 1-butene. Because ethane was predicted to be an important pyrolysis
401 product, a new wavelength at 3.3519 μm , sensitive to ethane absorption, was developed. This

402 wavelength, along with eight additional wavelengths in the 3 – 4 μm and 10 – 11 μm regions, were used
403 to simultaneously solve for the time-histories of 1-butene, methane, ethylene, ethane, allene, propene,
404 1,3-butadiene, benzene, and cyclopentadiene during 5% 1-butene decomposition in argon at shock tube-
405 generated conditions of 1300 K and 1.8 atm. To resolve the contributions of each species to each
406 wavelength, new cross-sections of relevant species were measured to supplement an existing database of
407 cross-section correlations. Overall, the resulting time-histories show good agreement with existing kinetic
408 models developed for 1-butene, especially the model proposed by Wang et al. [22]. Because the
409 pyrolysis offuels has been found to play an important role in their combustion pathways, the matrix
410 speciation method demonstrated here can be a useful tool in uncovering fuel decomposition behavior at
411 the short timescales relevant to combustion. With additional carefully chosen wavelengths to resolve
412 additional species, this framework can be readily extended from 1-butene to a range of more complex
413 hydrocarbon fuels with direct aerospace and automotive applications.

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415 **Appendix A: Sensitive ethane wavelength selection**

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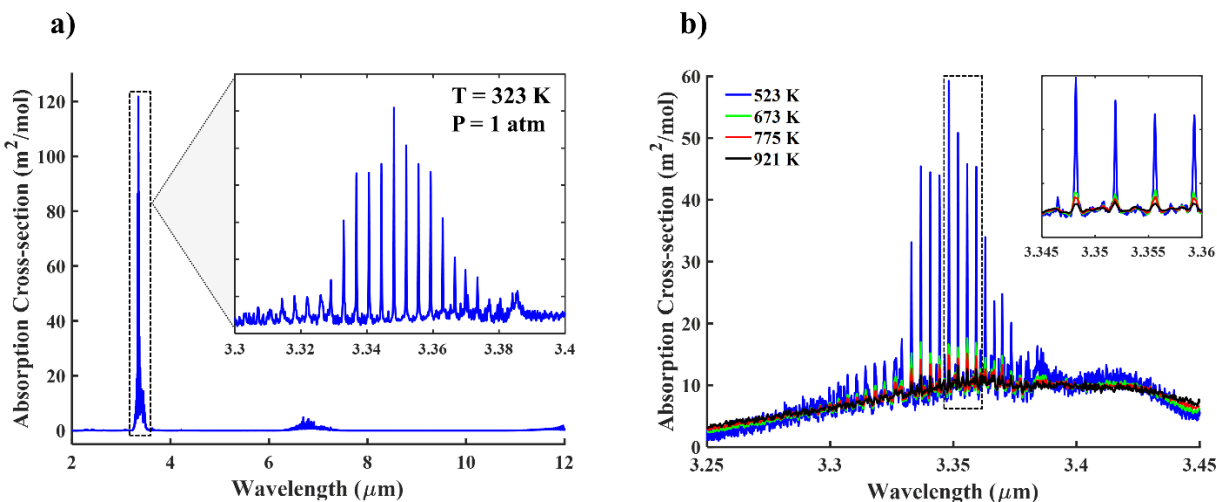
417 *A.1. Survey of ethane absorption spectrum*

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419 Selecting a wavelength for species-specific measurements requires consideration both of target- and
420 interfering-species absorption, as well as the availability of narrow-linewidth, continuous-wave lasers.
421 Generally, because a single-wavelength diagnostic cannot distinguish between absorption from different
422 species, substantial weight is placed on the interference-free criterion in selecting diagnostic lines.
423 Hence, the wavelength selected for ethane detection was intentionally chosen for use in a multi-
424 wavelength speciation method. Within this framework, although freedom from interference is preferred,
425 strict isolation from interfering species is not required. Rather, a wavelength was chosen at which
426 absorbance has unique sensitivity to the presence of ethane in the system. Put differently, the additional

427 wavelength was selected to provide a distinct vector of cross-sections that enables more robust detection
428 of all species, but especially ethane.

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432 **Fig. A.1.** (a) PNNL-measured infrared absorption spectrum for ethane [41], and (b) KAUST-measured
433 ethane spectra at elevated temperatures [27]. The 3.3 μm region offers the strongest IR absorption, with
434 narrow Q-branches collapsing into a broadband high-temperature feature.

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436 Fig. A.1(a) shows the infrared spectrum of ethane at 323 K measured by Pacific Northwest National
437 Laboratory (PNNL) [41]. Strong absorption in the 3 μm mid-infrared (MIR) region arises from multiple
438 fundamental CH₃ stretch modes (ν_5 and ν_7) as well as numerous combination bands [42]. Although this
439 region fortuitously coincides with compact, commercially available MIR lasers, it is also a common
440 region of absorption for virtually all hydrocarbons. Such crowded absorption necessitates judicious
441 wavelength selection to mitigate interference and optimize ethane sensitivity. Fig. A.1(b) gives a closer
442 view of the 3 μm ethane spectrum at increasing temperatures, measured by KAUST with a Fourier
443 transform infrared spectrometer (FTIR) [27]. The strong, narrow peaks correspond to Q-branches of the
444 ν_7 fundamental. As temperature increases, these structured features give way to the broadband
445 absorption of many closely spaced hot band transitions. That ethane behaves spectrally like a small

446 molecule (structured) at low temperatures and a large molecule (broadband) at high temperatures
447 complicates the line-selection process by eliminating the possibility of an online/offline measurement
448 technique in high-temperature shock tube experiments. Nevertheless, a well-chosen wavelength with
449 minimal interference can yield sensitive ethane detection in a multi-wavelength, multi-species
450 measurement approach.

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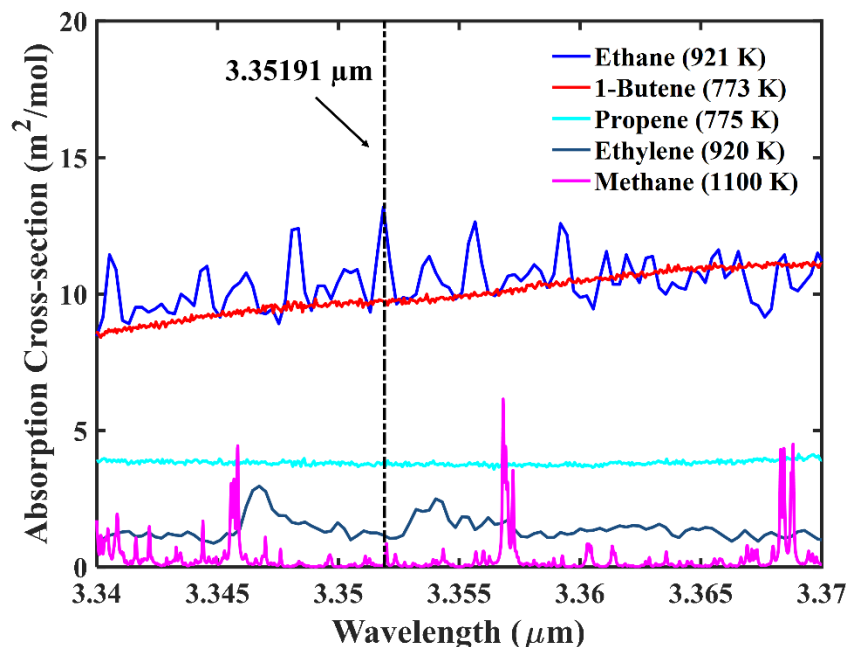
452 *A.2. Wavelength selection*

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454 Because of its strong absorption and commercial laser accessibility, the 3.3 μm region was chosen as
455 the preferred spectral location for ethane sensing. Within this region, a systematic search was
456 undertaken for the optimal combination of strong absorption and relative freedom from interference over
457 a broad range of experimental conditions. In conducting the search, FTIR cross-section data from
458 KAUST [27,43] and Klingbeil et al. [44] were combined with line lists from HITRAN 2016 [45] to predict
459 absorption from ethane and interferers methane, ethylene, acetylene, propene, and 1-butene. It should be
460 noted that the HITRAN line list is incomplete and primarily tabulates Q-branch transitions in the 3.3 μm
461 region. It does not capture the large broadband absorbance that surrounds the Q-branch peaks but does
462 yield reasonable predictions for the behavior of these peaks at the high temperatures of interest.

463 Using both FTIR cross-section data and HITRAN simulations, the 3.3 μm – 3.4 μm region was
464 searched for a strongly absorbing, interference-mitigating ethane wavelength. The wavelengths
465 corresponding to Q-branch peaks were specifically studied for their favorable absorbance across a broad
466 range of temperatures and pressures. Because both ethane and larger interfering species become
467 relatively smooth at high temperatures, particular attention was paid to interference from discrete small-
468 molecule transitions, namely those of methane and ethylene. Ultimately, 3.35191 μm was chosen as the
469 preferred wavelength with which to measure ethane. Fig. A.2 shows ethane cross-sections overlaid with
470 those of 1-butene, propene, methane, and ethylene at selected high temperatures where data exist. A
471 vertical line indicates the target wavelength selection. At this chosen wavelength, the advantageous

472 combination of strong ethane cross-section with only weak interference from methane and ethylene is
473 evident. While 1-butene and propene have large cross-sections across the entire candidate region, their
474 contributions to measured absorbance were accounted for by the multi-wavelength measurement strategy
475 employed here.
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479 **Fig. A.2.** Ethane cross-sections compared with interference from 1-butene, propene, ethylene, and
480 methane at 1 atm. The chosen wavelength for ethane detection, 3.35191 µm, is shown as a vertical line.
481 Methane interference was simulated with HITRAN 2016 [45], while ethane [27], 1-butene [44], propene
482 [44], and ethylene [27] cross-sections were taken from FTIR-measured literature data.

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484 **Appendix B: Multi-wavelength cross-section matrix**

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486 The majority of the absorption cross-section correlations and associated uncertainty directly
487 reference Pinkowski et al. [21], but a large number of new correlations were required for ethane, 1,3-

488 butadiene, cyclopentadiene, and allene. Table B.1 presents a visualization of the absorption cross-
 489 section matrix used in this work. Cross-sections from the literature appear in gray and new cross-
 490 sections from shock tube measurements are shown in white. Table B.2 presents these new cross-section
 491 correlations for individual species and wavelengths. Fig. B.1 shows the experimental data supporting the
 492 correlations of Table B.2. In certain cases where absorption cross-sections were unavailable,
 493 approximations are reported from extrapolations of available FTIR and broadlytuned laser [46] data.
 494 Nonetheless, the pyrolysis time-histories reported here were shown to be insensitive to these few
 495 approximated cross-sections.

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497 **Table B.1.** Cross-section matrix used for 1-butene speciation. Gray cells reference cross-sections
 498 published previously in the literature. White cells indicate new cross-section correlations.

Wavelength	CH ₄	C ₂ H ₄	C ₂ H ₆	C ₃ H ₆	aC ₃ H ₄	1C ₄ H ₈	C ₄ H ₆	C ₅ H ₆	C ₆ H ₆
3.1758μm	$\sigma_{1,1}$	$\sigma_{1,2}$	$\sigma_{1,3}$	$\sigma_{1,4}$	$\sigma_{1,5}$	$\sigma_{1,6}$	$\sigma_{1,7}$	$\sigma_{1,8}$	$\sigma_{1,9}$
3.17595μm	$\sigma_{2,1}$	$\sigma_{2,2}$	$\sigma_{2,3}$	$\sigma_{2,4}$	$\sigma_{2,5}$	$\sigma_{2,6}$	$\sigma_{2,7}$	$\sigma_{2,8}$	$\sigma_{2,9}$
3.283μm	$\sigma_{3,1}$	$\sigma_{3,2}$	$\sigma_{3,3}$	$\sigma_{3,4}$	$\sigma_{3,5}$	$\sigma_{3,6}$	$\sigma_{3,7}$	$\sigma_{3,8}$	$\sigma_{3,9}$
3.3519μm	$\sigma_{4,1}$	$\sigma_{4,2}$	$\sigma_{4,3}$	$\sigma_{4,4}$	$\sigma_{4,5}$	$\sigma_{4,6}$	$\sigma_{4,7}$	$\sigma_{4,8}$	$\sigma_{4,9}$
3.392μm	$\sigma_{5,1}$	$\sigma_{5,2}$	$\sigma_{5,3}$	$\sigma_{5,4}$	$\sigma_{5,5}$	$\sigma_{5,6}$	$\sigma_{5,7}$	$\sigma_{5,8}$	$\sigma_{5,9}$
10.532μm	$\sigma_{6,1}$	$\sigma_{6,2}$	$\sigma_{6,3}$	$\sigma_{6,4}$	$\sigma_{6,5}$	$\sigma_{6,6}$	$\sigma_{6,7}$	$\sigma_{6,8}$	$\sigma_{6,9}$
10.675μm	$\sigma_{8,1}$	$\sigma_{8,2}$	$\sigma_{8,3}$	$\sigma_{8,4}$	$\sigma_{8,5}$	$\sigma_{8,6}$	$\sigma_{8,7}$	$\sigma_{8,8}$	$\sigma_{8,9}$
10.958μm	$\sigma_{9,1}$	$\sigma_{9,2}$	$\sigma_{9,3}$	$\sigma_{9,4}$	$\sigma_{9,5}$	$\sigma_{9,6}$	$\sigma_{9,7}$	$\sigma_{9,8}$	$\sigma_{9,9}$
11.35μm	$\sigma_{10,1}$	$\sigma_{10,2}$	$\sigma_{10,3}$	$\sigma_{10,4}$	$\sigma_{10,5}$	$\sigma_{10,6}$	$\sigma_{10,7}$	$\sigma_{10,8}$	$\sigma_{10,9}$

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507 **Table B.2.** Cross-section correlation table for new correlations.

<i>Species</i>	<i>Cell</i>	<i>Fitted value of cross-section (σ [$\frac{m^2}{mol}$]) vs. temperature (T [K]) in</i>	<i>Standard error ($n = \#$ of samples)</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Notes and literature correlations</i>
<i>Cross-sections at 3.1758 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	1,3	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.14548$ $a_1 = -3.37354E - 5$	$n = 30$ $\nu = 28$ $RSS = 0.05137$ $t_{95} = 2.048$ $s_{TT} = 3.68E6$ $\bar{T} = 1109.078$	<i>New</i>	<i>Correlation valid between 300-1300 K.</i>
aC_3H_4	1,5	<i>Approximately zero</i>		[37,41]	<i>Approximately zero.</i>
C_4H_6	1,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.98562$ $a_1 = -2.1536E - 4$	$n = 6$ $\nu = 4$ $RSS = 0.04421$ $t_{95} = 2.776$ $s_{TT} = 5.3E5$ $\bar{T} = 1067.676$	<i>New</i>	<i>Correlation valid between 700-1550 K.</i>
C_3H_6	1,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.10094$ $a_1 = 4.5048E - 5$	<i>Approximation</i>	<i>Approximation</i>	<i>Assumed to be 1/4 the absorption cross-section as 3.392 μm. Low absorption cross-section expected.</i>
<i>Cross-sections at 3.17595 μm</i>					

C_2H_6	2,3	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.14548$ $a_1 = -3.37354E - 5$	$n = 30$ $\nu = 28$ $RSS = 0.05137$ $t_{95} = 2.048$ $s_{TT} = 3.68E6$ $\bar{T} = 1109.078$	New	Assumed to be the same as 3.1758 μm . Correlation valid between 300-1300 K.
aC_3H_4	2,5	Approximately zero		[37,41]	Approximately zero.
C_4H_6	2,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.98562$ $a_1 = -2.1536E - 4$	$n = 6$ $\nu = 4$ $RSS = 0.04421$ $t_{95} = 2.776$ $s_{TT} = 5.3E5$ $\bar{T} = 1067.676$	New	Assumed to be the same as 3.1758 μm . Correlation valid between 700-1550 K.
C_3H_6	2,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.10094$ $a_1 = 4.5048E - 5$	Approximation	Approximation	Assumed to be 1/4 the absorption cross-section at 3.392 μm . Low absorption cross-section expected.
<i>Cross-sections at 3.283 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	3,3	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 2.08095$ $a_1 = -0.00203$ $a_2 = 5.35068E - 7$	$n = 39$ $\nu = 36$ $RSS = 0.1843$ $t_{95} = 2.042$ $s_{TT} = 4.21E6$ $\bar{T} = 1101.33$	New	Correlation valid between 600-1800 K.
aC_3H_4	3,5	Approximately zero		[37,41]	Approximately zero.
C_4H_6	3,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = -0.46373$ $a_1 = 0.00719$ $a_2 = -3.13536E - 6$	$n = 6$ $\nu = 3$ $RSS = 0.01955$ $t_{95} = 3.182$ $s_{TT} = 5.30E5$ $\bar{T} = 1067.676$	New	Correlation valid between 700-1550 K.

C_3H_6	3,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.40375$ $a_1 = 1.8019E - 4$	Approximation	Approximation	Assumed to be the same as the absorption cross-section at 3.392 μ m. Low absorption cross-section expected.
<i>Cross-sections at 3.3519 μm</i>					
CH_4	4,1	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = -3.88202$ $a_1 = 0.00861$ $a_2 = -2.79276E - 6$	$n = 16$ $\nu = 13$ $RSS = 0.65252$ $t_{95} = 2.160$ $s_{TT} = 2.64E6$ $\bar{T} = 1214.97$	New	Correlation valid between 600-2100 K.
C_2H_4	4,2	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 0.79448$ $a_1 = 5.36859E - 4$ $a_2 = -2.13847E - 7$	$n = 8$ $\nu = 5$ $RSS = 0.02818$ $t_{95} = 2.571$ $s_{TT} = 1.43E6$ $\bar{T} = 1214.7$	New	Correlation valid between 700-2000 K.
C_2H_6	4,3	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1 \exp \left(-\frac{T - x_0}{b_1} \right)$ $a_0 = 4.03848$ $a_1 = 47.26708$ $b_1 = 679.65013$ $x_0 = 251.60459$	$n = 28$ $\nu = 24$ $RSS = 709.4$ $t_{95} = 2.064$ $s_{TT} = 3.79E6$ $\bar{T} = 1156.89$	New	Correlation valid between 600-2000 K. Slight pressure dependence observed below 1000 K.
C_3H_6	4,4	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1 \exp \left(-\frac{T - x_0}{b_1} \right)$ $a_0 = 2.5978$ $a_1 = 2.9384$ $b_1 = 343.40548$ $x_0 = 303.0564$	$n = 12$ $\nu = 8$ $RSS = 1.31982$ $t_{95} = 2.306$ $s_{TT} = 1.43E6$ $\bar{T} = 820.912$	New & [44]	Correlation valid between 300-1600 K.
aC_3H_4	4,5	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 0.34$ $a_1 = 0.0012$ $a_2 = -5.7989$	Approximation	[37,41]	Approximated as 1/3 of the absorption cross-section of 1,3- C_4H_6 based on FTIR data up to 510 K. Uncertainty estimated as 1,3- C_4H_6 uncertainty.

$1C_4H_8$	4,6	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 14.91918$ $a_1 = -0.00678$	$n = 8$ $\nu = 6$ $RSS = 1.14718$ $t_{95} = 2.447$ $s_{TT} = 8.02E5$ $\bar{T} = 1020.51675$	New	Correlation valid between 600-1700 K.
C_4H_6	4,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 1.02567$ $a_1 = 0.00369$ $a_2 = -1.73969E - 6$	$n = 6$ $\nu = 3$ $RSS = 0.00225$ $t_{95} = 3.182$ $s_{TT} = 5.30E5$ $\bar{T} = 1067.676$	New	Correlation valid between 700-1550 K.
C_3H_6	4,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.40375$ $a_1 = 1.8019E - 4$	Approximation	Approximation	Assumed to be the same as the absorption cross-section at 3.392 μm . Low absorption cross-section expected.
C_6H_6	4,9	Approximately zero	Approximation	[41]	Approximately zero.
<i>Cross-sections at 3.392 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	5,3	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 11.92392$ $a_1 = -0.00365$	$n = 16$ $\nu = 14$ $RSS = 0.46103$ $t_{95} = 2.145$ $s_{TT} = 4.37E4$ $\bar{T} = 649.15$	[28]	Correlation valid between 300-1500 K.
aC_3H_4	5,5	Approximately zero	Approximation	[37,41]	Approximately zero.
C_4H_6	5,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 1.06643$ $a_1 = 4.80739E - 4$	$n = 11$ $\nu = 9$ $RSS = 0.08677$ $t_{95} = 2.262$ $s_{TT} = 1.67E5$ $\bar{T} = 1251.222$	New	Correlation valid between 1100-1500 K.

C_3H_6	5,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 0.40375$ $a_1 = 1.8019E - 4$	$n = 25$ $\nu = 23$ $RSS = 0.18271$ $t_{95} = 2.069$ $s_{TT} = 5.87E5$ $\bar{T} = 1200.41$	New	Correlation valid between 800-1600 K.
<i>Cross-sections at 10.532 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	6,3	Approximately zero	Approximation	[41]	Approximately zero.
aC_3H_4	6,5	Approximately zero	Approximation	[37,41]	Approximately zero.
C_4H_6	6,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 7.0509$ $a_1 = 0.001513$		[47]	
C_3H_6	6,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = -1.13732$ $a_1 = 0.0675$ $a_2 = -3.0986E - 6$	$n = 23$ $\nu = 20$ $RSS = 0.02439$ $t_{95} = 2.086$ $s_{TT} = 2.96E5$ $\bar{T} = 1247$	New	Correlation valid between 800-1600 K.
<i>Cross-sections at 10.675 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	7,3	Approximately zero	Approximation	[41]	Approximately zero.
aC_3H_4	7,5	Approximately zero	Approximation	[37,41]	Approximately zero.
C_4H_6	7,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 7.0509$ $a_1 = 0.001513$		[47]	Assumed to be the same as 10.532 μm .
C_3H_6	7,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = -1.77244$ $a_1 = 0.00415$	$n = 4$ $\nu = 2$ $RSS = 0.0262$ $t_{95} = 4.303$ $s_{TT} = 2.55E4$ $\bar{T} = 1108.9$	[47]	Correlation valid between 800-1600 K.
<i>Cross-sections at 10.958 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	8,3	Approximately zero		[41]	Approximately zero.

aC_3H_4	8,5	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 7.2996$ $a_1 = -0.00478$ $a_2 = 1.23919E - 6$	$n = 5$ $\nu = 2$ $RSS = 0.02565$ $t_{95} = 4.303$ $s_{TT} = 3.07E5$ $\bar{T} = 1257$	[48]	Approximated as having the same absorption at 10.958 μm as 10.962 μm due to broad features and using cross-sections measured by Chrystie et al. [48]. Correlation valid between 900-1650 K.
C_4H_6	8,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 9.86671$ $a_1 = -0.00287$	$n = 4$ $\nu = 2$ $RSS = 0.37894$ $t_{95} = 4.303$ $s_{TT} = 4.12E5$ $\bar{T} = 1037$	[46,47]	Correlation valid between 600 K and 1600 K.
C_3H_6	8,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2$ $a_0 = 2.49963$ $a_1 = 0.00303$ $a_2 = -1.8117E - 6$	$n = 8$ $\nu = 5$ $RSS = 0.00113$ $t_{95} = 2.571$ $s_{TT} = 1.31E5$ $\bar{T} = 1242$	[47]	Correlation valid between 1000 K and 1500 K.
<i>Cross-sections at 11.345 μm</i>					
C_2H_6	9,3	Approximately zero		[41]	Approximately zero.
aC_3H_4	9,5	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 1.9421$ $a_1 = 0.0010984$	Approximation	[37]	Approximated as having absorption cross-section as 1,3-butadiene at 11.345 μm based on inspection of FTIR spectra up to 510 K. Uncertainty estimated as 1,3- C_4H_6 uncertainty.
C_4H_6	9,7	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T$ $a_0 = 1.9421$ $a_1 = 0.0010984$		[46,47]	

C_3H_6	9,8	$\sigma = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2 + a_3T^3$ $a_0 = -73.92686$ $a_1 = 0.20195$ $a_2 = -1.64928E - 4$ $a_3 = 4.32314E - 8$	$n = 22$ $\nu = 18$ $RSS = 0.14132$ $t_{95} = 2.101$ $s_{TT} = 2.15E5$ $\bar{T} = 1263.73$	New	Correlation valid between 800 K and 1600 K.
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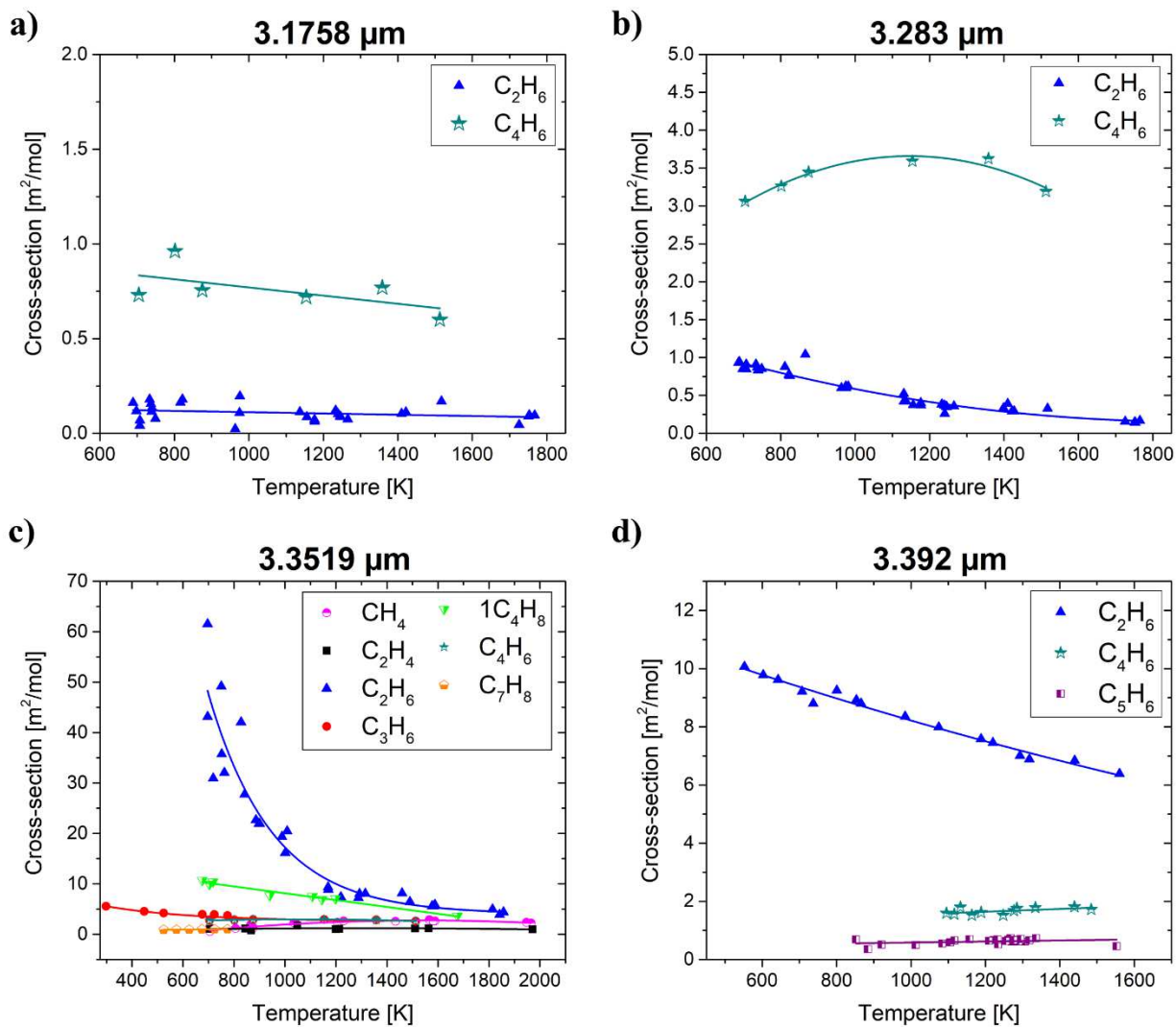
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514 **Fig. B.1.** Experimental cross-section measurements to complete the cross-section matrix. (a)

515 Measurements at 3.1758 μm , (b) 3.283 μm , (c) 3.3519 μm , and (d) 3.392 μm .

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