

Computational Studies on Thermodynamic Characteristics of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) Compounds

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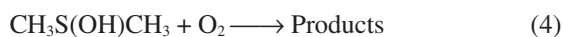
Geometries, frequencies and thermodynamic properties of some selected reference compounds are investigated using MP2, B3LYP, B3PW91 and PBE/PBE methods with 6-311+G(3df,2p) basis set, respectively. The results indicate that the calculated structures and frequencies of various different methods are in good agreement with the available experimental data. The best agreement with experimental formation enthalpies is computed with the CBS-QB3 and CBS-Q methods. Several different methods are used to calculate the formation enthalpies, entropies and heat capacities of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) species at 0 and 298 K, in which only $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NO}_2$ has the available theoretical formation enthalpy. The predicted entropies and heat capacities of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) are based on the statistical mechanical principles from 200-2000 K. These data are essential to evaluate key atmospheric chemical processes of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) compounds.

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INTRODUCTION

Dimethyl sulfide [CH_3SCH_3 (DMS)] is the most important sulfur compound in the atmosphere emitted from the oceans [1]. Atmospheric oxidation products of CH_3SCH_3 play a key role in aerosol formation and climate regulation [2]. Studies on the oxidation of CH_3SCH_3 are valuable to understand the sulfur cycle and therefore have been reported [3].

In the atmosphere, the main degradation process of CH_3SCH_3 is its reaction with OH radical during the daytime according to the following reaction channel [4-8],



The main products of eqns. 2 and 4 are CH_3SOCH_3 , $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{H}$, SO_2 , COS , CH_3SCHO and $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$. However, the distribution of these products is dependent on the ratio of the eqns. 2 and 4, which is affected by the NO_x ($\text{NO} + \text{NO}_2$) concentrations [9,10]. Patroescu *et al.* [9] found that the formation of $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{CH}_3$ increase with the increasing NO_x ($\text{NO} + \text{NO}_2$) concentrations, whereas the yields of CH_3SOCH_3 and SO_2 decrease. Moreover, the higher NO_x levels play a significant role in the chemistry of intermediate CH_3SO_x [11], which is among the most intermediate in the

atmosphere oxidation of CH_3SCH_3 . Further reaction of CH_3SO_x with O_2 and NO_x is an important step resulting eventually in the formation of SO_2 and H_2SO_4 [12]. The favourable reactions of CH_3SO_x with O_2 and NO_x proceed *via* addition of O_2 and then NO_2 to CH_3SO_x , forming NO_2 -containing organic sulfur compound [13]. $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2$ is observed in the OH-radical initiated oxidation of CH_3SCH_3 even at low NO_x levels by the reaction of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{O}_2$ with NO_2 [9]. The experimental results indicated that CH_3SNO_2 , $\text{CH}_3\text{SOONO}_2$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}(\text{O})\text{ONO}_2$ were measured [14-16]. These NO_2 -containing organic sulfur compounds are important intermediates that link to the formation of acid rain in the atmosphere oxidation of CH_3SCH_3 . Knowledge on thermodynamic properties is a key parameter in understanding the formation and destruction of atmospheric chemical processes of NO_2 -containing organic sulfur compounds [17]. However, the experimental determination of thermodynamic properties is very difficult for the unstable species $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$). Quantum chemistry method can help to obtain such properties [18]. To our best of knowledge, geometric structures, thermodynamic properties of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) are few. Only formation enthalpy of single $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NO}_2$ were theoretical studied previously [12]. In present, the accuracy of various quantum chemical models to predict structures, vibrational frequencies, formation enthalpies, entropy and heat capacities is assessed. Then, we utilized several methods to calculate the thermodynamic and structural properties of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) compound.

COMPUTATIONAL METHODS

All calculations have been Gaussian 09 program [19]. The geometries are optimized at the MP2 [20,21], B3LYP [22,23], B3PW91 and PBEPBE [24] levels of theory with the 6-311+G(3df,2p) basis set, respectively. Frequencies for all the studied molecules are calculated at the same level of theory. Enthalpies formation ($\Delta_f H^\circ$) of the reactants and products are calculated by the atomization energy method at the MP2, B3LYP, B3PW91, PBEPBE, CBS-QB3 [25], G3 and G3MP2 [26] levels of theory, respectively. For any molecule, such as molecule M, the enthalpies of formation [$\Delta_f H^\circ_{(M, 298\text{K})}$] are given by eqn. 5 [27]:

$$\Delta_f H^\circ_{(M, 298\text{K})} = \sum_{\text{atoms}} \Delta_f H^\circ_{298\text{K}} + H^\circ_{298\text{K}}(M) - \sum_{\text{atoms}} H^\circ_{298\text{K}} \quad (5)$$

where $\sum_{\text{atoms}} \Delta_f H^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ denotes experimental enthalpies of formation for the corresponding atoms are from reference [26], $\sum_{\text{atoms}} H^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ stands for the calculated enthalpies for the individual atoms, $H^\circ_{298\text{K}}(M)$ is the calculated enthalpy of the molecule M. Entropies ($S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$) and heat capacities (C_p) are calculated using Multiwell program [28].

The theory of atom in molecule (AIM) is applied to investigate the bond properties [29]. The character of a bond may be described on the basis of the electron density (ρ) and its Laplacian ($\nabla^2\rho$) at the bond critical point [30]. Topological properties of a bond are characterized by the existence of a bond critical point (bcp) and the values of the electron density (ρ) and its Laplacian ($\nabla^2\rho$) at the bond critical point [31]. The negative value of $\nabla^2\rho$ indicates that the density is locally concentrated and characterizes a covalent bond. The positive value of $\nabla^2\rho$ indicates that the density is locally depleted and characterizes closed-shell interactions as found in ionic bonds, hydrogen bonds and van der Waals interactions [32]. The Multiwfn program has been used for the topological analysis of the electronic density [33,34].

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Initially, to test the accuracy of the methodology used in the present paper, we perform the calculation of some molecules for which their geometric parameters and frequency data are known [35]. The deviation from experiment by computed equilibrium bond lengths and bond angles for CH_3S , CH_3SH , CH_4 , $^3\text{O}_2$, NO_2 , CH_3NO_2 , CH_3ONO_2 is investigated, respectively. Mean absolute deviations between the calculated respectively at the MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p), B3LYP/6-311+G(3df,2p), B3PW91/6-311+G(3df,2p), PBEPBE/6-311+G(3df,2p) levels of theory and the experimental are 0.005, 0.006, 0.007, 0.010 Å for bond lengths and 1.05, 1.20, 1.27, 1.28° for bond angles, respectively. The results suggested that the deviations of all the methods with the same basis set are minor and the MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p) method is the most accurate for the calculation of geometric parameters. The lowest energy structure is confirmed by harmonic vibrational frequency analysis, that is, all the frequencies of the stable structures are positive. Besides, the percentage errors including mean absolute percentage deviation and mean percentage deviation in calculated vibrational frequencies of the known reported species in present work are

studied [35]. Mean absolute percentage deviations of MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p), B3LYP/6-311+G(3df,2p), B3PW91/6-311+G(3df,2p), PBEPBE/6-311+G(3df,2p) methods from the experiment are 3.48, 2.10, 2.41, 2.27, respectively. It can be found that B3LYP/6-311+G(3df,2p) and PBEPBE/6-311+G(3df,2p) frequencies are good agreement with the available experiment values, followed by B3PW91/6-311+G(3df,2p) method and the MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p) method. These results indicate the calculated structures and frequencies of above methods are accurate. For the purposes of our discussion, the MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p) results are used in the following geometric analysis. All optimized geometries at the MP2/6-311+G(2d,p) level are depicted in Fig. 1.

Molecular structures: Three isomers are found in CH_3SNO_2 , which are labeled CH_3SNO_2 , $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$, respectively. To search the possible conformer, the potential energy curves for CH_3SNO_2 and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$ are calculated by structure optimization at the specified dihedral angle (Fig. 2). In case of CH_3SNO_2 , only one minimum with the C_s symmetry is obtained by scanning the dihedral O(2)NSC angle from 0° to 180° in steps of 10°. Similarly, the potential energy curve of $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$ is calculated by structure optimization at fixed the dihedral SO(1)NO(2) angle from -180° to 180°. Fig. 2 showed that the potential energy curve of $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$ with two minima at 0° ($\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$) and 180° ($\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}$). $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$ are *cis-trans* isomers. The energies of $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$ are 4.16 and 3.16 kcal mol⁻¹ higher than that of CH_3SNO_2 (using CBS-QB3 method), respectively. As for $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2$, isomer $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2$, $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-b}$ are obtained, in which the order of their energy is $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a} \approx \text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-b}$. It is interesting that $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a}$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-b}$ are chiral isomers, which can be also confirmed by the potential energy curve of CH_3SONO_2 in Fig. 2. In $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NO}_2$, isomer $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{NO}_2$ is more stable than isomers $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{ONO}_2$ and $\text{CH}_3\text{SOONO}_2$.

Analysis of atoms in molecules (AIM) theory: The atom in molecule theory is an important tool to study the bond properties, which are characterized by the values of electron density (ρ) and its Laplacian ($\nabla^2\rho$) at the bond critical point. Table-2 lists the calculated values of ρ and $\nabla^2\rho$ in $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$). To have a clear view of the bond critical point, the molecular graphs and contour lines of $\nabla^2\rho$ are also shown in Fig. 3. As seen in Table-1 and Fig. 3, the negative $\nabla^2\rho$ values of all the bonds in CH_3SNO_2 suggest the corresponding bonds have covalent character. In $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 1,2$), the values of $\nabla^2\rho$ for all the S-O bonds have a ionic character due to the decentralization of electron density in the bond region with the positive values of $\nabla^2\rho$. For example, the topological values of S-O(1) in $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2$ are $r = 0.3006$ and $\nabla^2\rho = 0.8055$ a.u., pointing out the ionic character. Additionally, the strength of the bond can be estimated from the magnitude of ρ at the bond critical point. The ρ value of N-O(1) bond is larger than that of the N-O(2) bond in $\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a}$ compound, which indicates the N-O(1) bond is stronger than N-O(2) bond.

Enthalpy of formation: Enthalpy of formation is the important fundamental properties of a molecule, which is usually taken as the key parameters for modeling of the formation

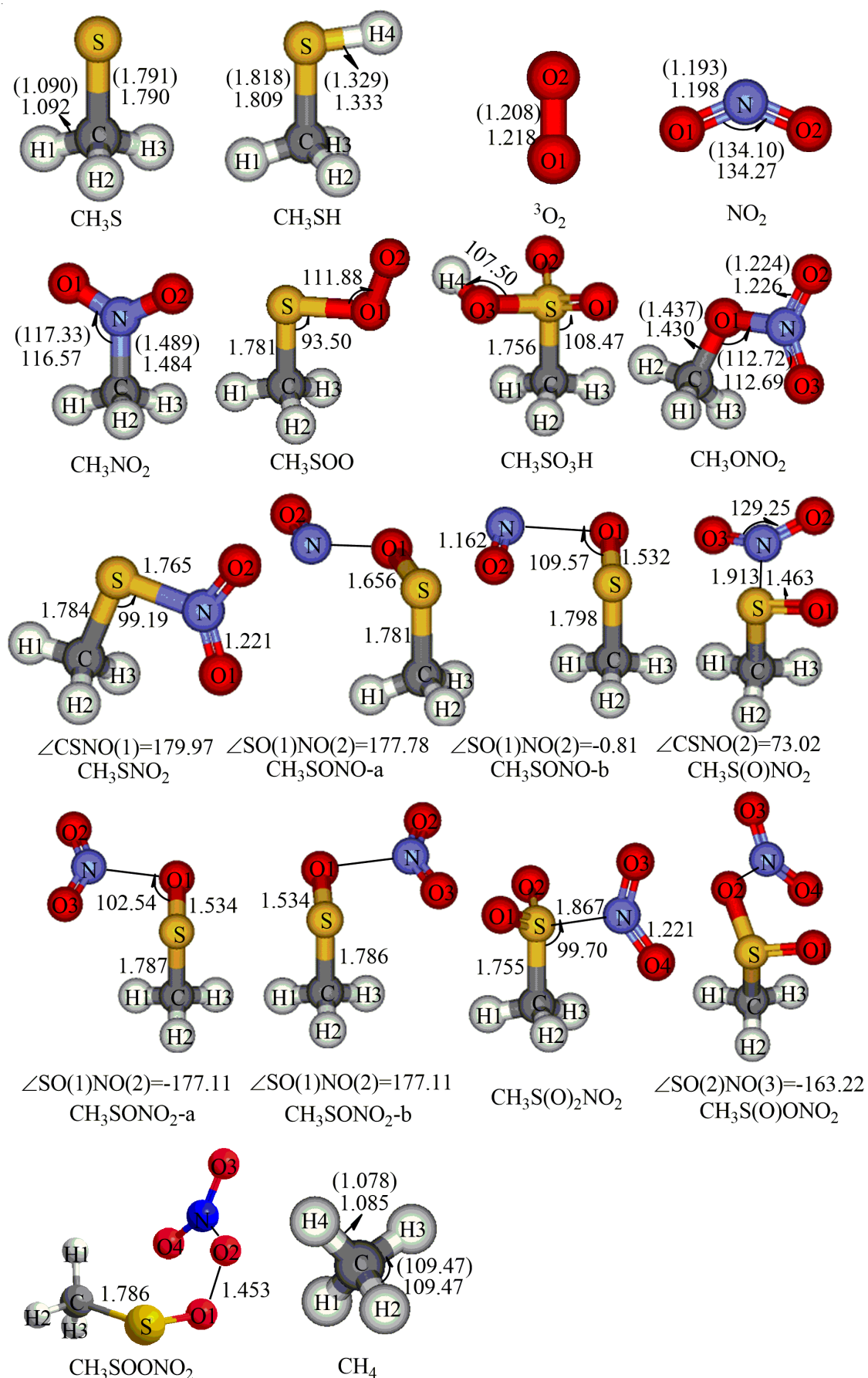


Fig. 1. Optimized geometries of all the species at the MP2/6-31+G(3df,2p) level of theory along with the available experimental values in the parentheses from the reference [34]. Bond lengths are in angstroms and angles are in degrees

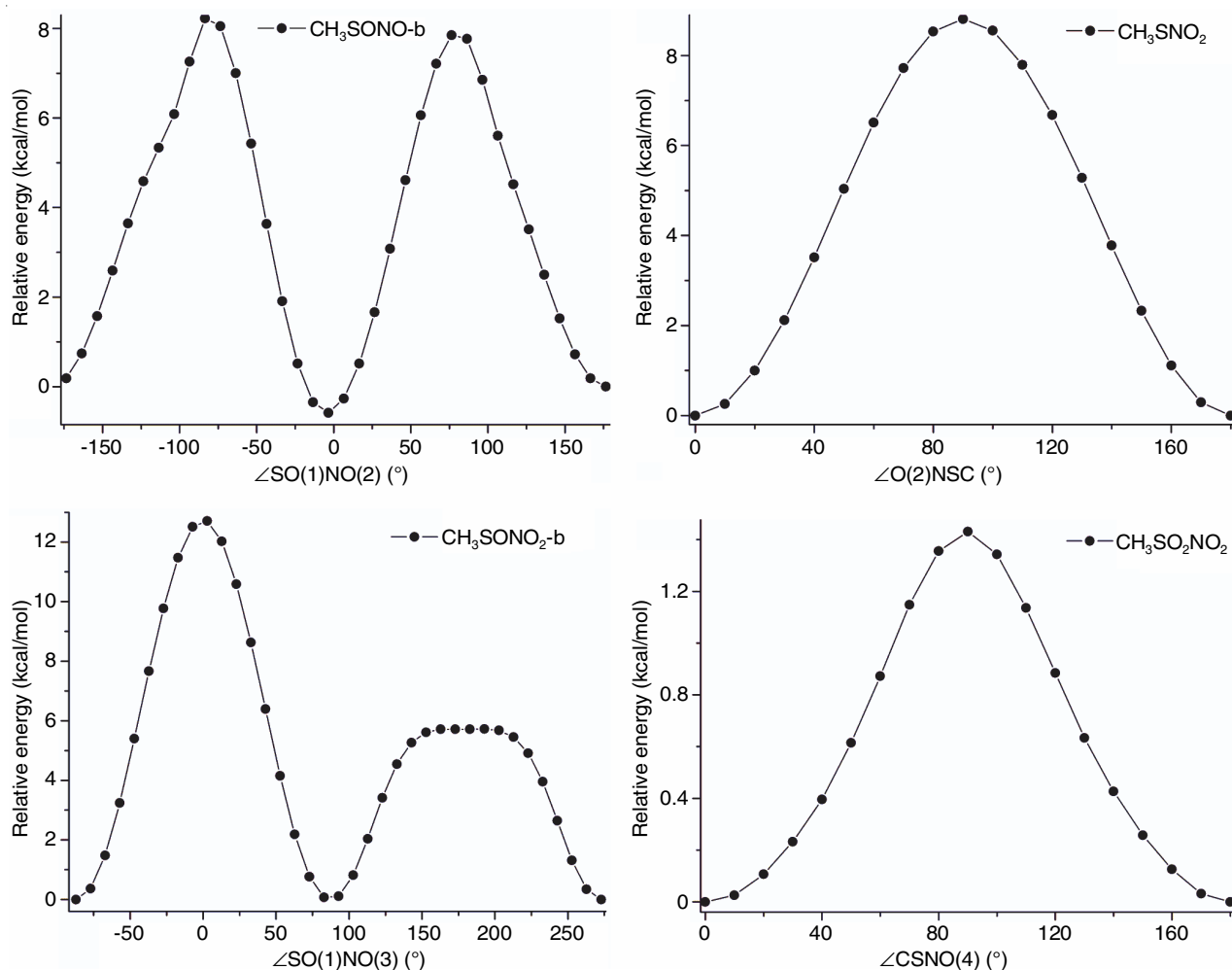


Fig. 2. Potential energy curves calculated at the MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p) level. Every molecular coordinate was fully relaxed except the scanned torsional angle

TABLE-1
BOND CRITICAL POINT PROPERTIES OF ELECTRON DENSITY (ρ), ITS LAPLACIAN ($\nabla^2\rho$) AND THE LOCAL ENERGY DENSITY OF THE TITLED COMPOUNDS CALCULATED AT THE MP2/6-311+G(3df,2p) LEVEL

Bond	CH_3SNO_2		$\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}$		$\text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}$		$\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2$		$\text{CH}_3\text{SOONO}_2$	
	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$
C-H(1)	0.2866	-1.0729	0.2905	-1.0998	0.2879	-1.0807	0.2908	-1.1063	0.2923	-1.1127
C-H(2)	0.2941	-1.1284	0.2855	-1.0650	0.2864	-1.0721	0.2892	-1.0920	0.2851	-1.0619
C-H(3)	0.2941	-1.1284	0.2910	-1.1035	0.2898	-1.0944	0.2902	-1.1022	0.2926	-1.1169
C-S	0.2048	-0.4391	0.2065	-0.4575	0.2057	-0.4613	0.2133	-0.4920	0.2065	-0.4526
S-N	0.1873	-0.1720					0.1542	-0.2388		
S-O(1)			0.1949	0.1767	0.2540	0.5860	0.3006	0.8055	0.1945	0.2745
N-O(1)	0.5274	-1.3269	0.2352	-0.1472	0.0628	0.1571				
N-O(2)	0.5267	-1.3114	0.6256	-2.4712	0.5987	-2.2553	0.5361	-1.3999	0.2897	-0.3830
N-O(3)							0.5286	-1.3577	0.5600	-0.1436
Bond	$\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a}$		$\text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-b}$		$\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NO}_2$		$\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{ONO}_2$			
	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$	ρ	$\nabla^2\rho$		
C-H(1)	0.2879	-1.0818	0.2899	-1.0964	0.2936	-1.1315	0.2888	-1.0899		
C-H(2)	0.2868	-1.0758	0.2868	-1.0758	0.2936	-1.1315	0.2880	-1.0810		
C-H(3)	0.2899	-1.0964	0.2879	-1.0817	0.2882	-1.0875	0.2941	-1.1322		
C-S	0.2101	-0.4774	0.2101	-0.4773	0.2304	-0.5812	0.2164	-0.5114		
S-N					0.1764	-0.4104				
S-O(1)	0.2472	0.6750	0.2472	0.6751	0.3270	0.9936	0.3037	0.7838		
S-O(2)					0.3270	0.9936	0.1858	-0.0488		
N-O(1)	0.0826	0.1660	0.0826	0.1660						
N-O(2)	0.5581	-1.5005	0.5582	-1.5008			0.2831	-0.3476		
N-O(3)	0.5602	-1.5724	0.5602	-1.5722	0.5329	-1.3577	0.5652	-1.4732		
N-O(4)					0.5259	-1.3326	0.5578	-1.4310		

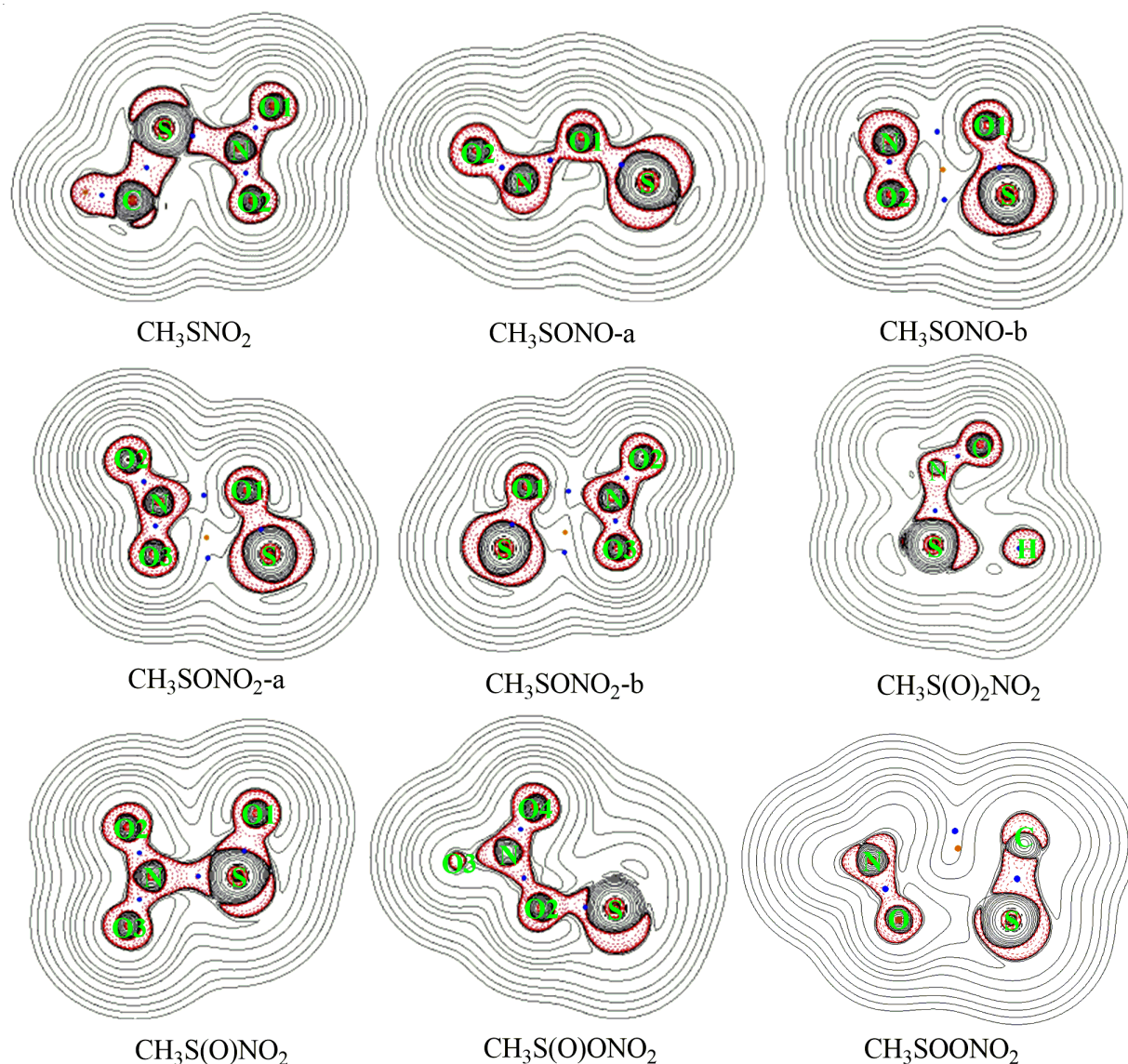


Fig. 3. Molecular structure of the $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$), ring critical points and bond critical points are represented by small yellow and orange spheres, respectively

and destruction of the organic sulfur pollutant in atmosphere. The gas phase enthalpies of formation of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) compounds at 0 and 298 K have been predicted by using atomization reaction method. Table-2 lists the deviation from experiment by calculated enthalpy of formation for ten test molecules (CH_3S , CH_3SH , CH_4 , $^3\text{O}_2$, NO_2 , CH_3NO_2 , CH_3ONO_2 , CH_3SOO , $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$) for which their $\Delta_f H^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ is known [35-37]. On the basis of mean absolute deviation (MAD), the best performance is obtained with the CBS-QB3 and CBS-Q methods, $\text{MAD} = 1.39$ and $1.51 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$, followed by $\text{MAD} = 3.09, 3.39, 3.87, 3.97, 6.00$ and $24.82 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$, respectively, for G3MP2B3, G3MP2, B3LYP, B3PW91, MP2, PBEPBE, respectively. The PBEPBE method significantly underestimates the formation enthalpies of CH_3NO_2 and CH_3ONO_2 . The overall accuracies of CBS-QB3, CBS-Q, G3MP2B3, G3MP2 methods exceed that of B3LYP, B3PW91, MP2 and PBEPBE results. Our recommended $\Delta_f H^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ values of $-3.37, 0.80, -0.20, -14.27, -14.27, -30.11 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ for $\text{CH}_3\text{SNO}_2, \text{CH}_3\text{SONO-a}, \text{CH}_3\text{SONO-b}, \text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-a}, \text{CH}_3\text{SONO}_2\text{-b}, \text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{NO}_2$ at the CBS-QB3

method (Table-3). Our calculated formation enthalpies of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NO}_2$ at 298 K ($-73.53 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$) is consistent with previous only calculation ($-73.7 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$) [12]. This overall agreement confirms the reliability of our computational results.

Entropy ($S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$) and heat capacity [$C_p(\text{T})$]: Entropy ($S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$) and heat capacities (C_p) for $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) molecules are listed in Table-4. As there is no experimental or theoretical information of $S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ and C_p for the $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) compounds. The accuracy of the predicted is checked by comparing the calculated $S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ and C_p (298 K) of five test sets with available experimental values (Table-5). The calculated $S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ and C_p for the species ($\text{CH}_3\text{SH}, \text{CH}_4, ^3\text{O}_2, \text{NO}_2, \text{CH}_3\text{NO}_2$) are in line with the corresponding experiment values [34]. The maximum deviations of $S^\circ_{298\text{K}}$ and C_p (298 K) are 3.96 (in CH_3NO_2) and $0.23 \text{ cal mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ (in CH_3SH).

Conclusion

The geometric structures and thermodynamic properties (including formation enthalpies, entropies and heat capacities) of $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$) compounds are calculated using

TABLE-2
THE CALCULATED ENTHALPIES OF FORMATION ($\Delta_f H_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$) (kcal mol⁻¹) FROM THE ATOMIZATION ENERGY METHOD

Species	Exp. [36,37]	$\Delta_f H_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$							
		MP2	B3LYP	B3PW91	PBEPBE	CBS-Q	CBS-QB3	G3MP2	G3MP2B3
6-311+G(3df,2p)									
CH ₃ S	29.67	41.10	29.92	28.32	22.15	30.15	29.87	29.85	29.63
CH ₃ SH	-5.45	10.60	-1.55	-2.90	-8.86	-4.25	-4.56	-4.09	-4.08
CH ₄	-17.81	-3.33	-17.13	-15.68	-17.07	-16.52	-16.64	-16.65	-16.42
³ O ₂	0.00	-6.28	-2.51	-3.91	-22.59	0.88	0.35	3.22	1.62
NO ₂	7.90	6.79	3.24	1.25	-34.11	7.39	7.75	10.92	10.10
CH ₃ NO ₂	-17.79	-19.73	-18.06	-20.91	-58.85	-16.92	-17.63	-13.74	-14.65
CH ₃ ONO ₂	-28.50	-35.45	-29.81	-34.18	-84.50	-29.18	-29.99	-24.37	-25.63
CH ₃ SO	-15.95	-6.27	-14.32	-17.10	-35.41	-17.37	-17.05	-15.53	-15.12
CH ₃ SOO	18.02	36.42	21.47	18.52	-15.14	21.68	22.72	24.14	25.14
CH ₃ SO ₂ H	-133.90	-131.30	-113.88	-121.24	-156.14	-129.83	-130.23	-123.71	-123.62
Mean deviation		5.64	2.12	-0.40	-24.67	0.98	0.84	3.39	3.08
Mean absolute deviation		6.00	3.87	3.97	24.82	1.51	1.39	3.39	3.09

TABLE-3
THE CALCULATED ENTHALPIES OF FORMATION ($\Delta_f H^{\circ}$) (kcal mol⁻¹) FROM THE ATOMIZATION ENERGY METHOD

Species	$\Delta_f H_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$								
	MP2	B3LYP	B3PW91	PBEPBE	CBS-Q	CBS-QB3	G3MP2	G3MP2B3	
6-311+G(3df,2p)									
CH ₃ SNO ₂	-4.57	-1.83	-7.34	-53.43	-3.33	-3.37	0.69	0.12	
CH ₃ SONO-a	3.85	4.10	1.25	-44.65	0.45	0.80	4.24	3.43	
CH ₃ SONO-b	-3.15	3.50	0.45	-46.74	-0.44	-0.20	5.60	2.87	
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -a	-22.41	-11.19	-17.32	-78.91	-13.82	-14.27	-7.94	-9.17	
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -b	-22.41	-11.19	-17.32	-78.91	-13.82	-14.27	-7.94	-9.17	
CH ₃ S(O)NO ₂	-38.38	-26.81	-33.15	-92.54	-30.38	-30.11	-25.19	-25.89	
CH ₃ S(O) ₂ NO ₂	-88.89	-63.23	-72.97	-140.69	-73.76	-73.53	-65.39	-66.04	
CH ₃ S(O)ONO ₂	-58.32	-40.40	-48.32	-118.78	-46.56	-46.96	-39.33	-40.43	
CH ₃ SOONO ₂	-3.21	-42.92	-51.14	-120.47	3.06	0	9.56	7.93	
$\Delta_f H_{0\text{K}}^{\circ}$									
CH ₃ SNO ₂	-4.24	-1.60	-7.08	-53.28	-3.02	-3.20	0.95	0.25	
CH ₃ SONO-a	3.61	3.89	1.09	-45.01	0.42	0.55	4.16	3.19	
CH ₃ SONO-b	-3.25	3.25	0.30	-47.07	-0.37	-0.44	5.62	2.69	
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -a	-22.68	-11.34	-17.37	-79.27	-13.65	-14.42	-7.83	-9.31	
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -b	-22.68	-11.34	-17.37	-79.27	-13.65	-14.42	-7.83	-9.31	
CH ₃ S(O)NO ₂	-38.37	-26.93	-33.22	-92.80	-30.26	-30.28	-25.13	-26.13	
CH ₃ S(O) ₂ NO ₂	-88.80	-63.28	-72.97	-140.93	-73.62	-73.71	-65.31	-66.29	
CH ₃ S(O)ONO ₂	-58.47	-40.59	-48.45	-119.34	-46.51	-47.20	-39.35	-40.70	
CH ₃ SOONO ₂	-3.39	-43.02	-51.18	-120.74	7.75	5.98	14.25	12.62	

TABLE-4
ENTROPY ($S_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$, cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹) AND HEAT CAPACITY (C_p , cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)

Species	$S_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$	C_p									
		200	298	400	600	800	1000	1200	1400	1700	2000
CH ₃ SNO ₂	76.16	16.26	20.01	23.55	28.86	32.44	34.96	36.79	38.15	39.59	40.57
CH ₃ SONO-a	79.27	18.35	21.98	25.16	29.83	33.04	35.36	37.08	38.37	39.75	40.68
CH ₃ SONO-b	79.70	18.44	22.04	25.21	29.85	33.05	35.37	37.08	38.37	39.74	40.67
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -a	83.45	19.93	24.38	28.36	34.10	37.91	40.58	42.50	43.93	45.42	46.43
CH ₃ SONO ₂ -b	83.46	19.93	24.38	28.36	34.11	37.91	40.58	42.50	43.93	45.42	46.43
CH ₃ S(O)NO ₂	82.86	19.97	24.29	28.19	33.97	37.83	40.52	42.46	43.89	45.40	46.41
CH ₃ S(O) ₂ NO ₂	87.27	21.69	26.85	31.45	38.20	42.64	45.66	47.82	49.39	51.03	52.12
CH ₃ S(O)ONO ₂	88.11	22.10	27.63	32.36	38.97	43.19	46.07	48.12	49.62	51.20	52.25
CH ₃ SOONO ₂	86.85	21.76	27.23	32.03	38.78	43.08	46.00	48.07	49.59	51.18	52.24

various different theoretical methods (MP2, B3LYP, PBEPBE, B3PW91, CBS-Q, CBS-QB3, G3MP2, G3MP2B3). Nine isomers are found for $\text{CH}_3\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{NO}_2$ ($n = 0-2$). The structural results from methods of MP2, B3LYP, PBEPBE and B3PW91 are in line with available experimental data. The atom in

molecule calculations are performed in order to analyze bond properties of the titled compound. The formation enthalpies results indicated that the accuracy of composite methods (CBS-Q, CBS-QB3, G3MP2, G3MP2B3) are higher than that of other methods (MP2, B3LYP, PBEPBE, B3PW91).

TABLE-5
ENTROPY ($S_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$, cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹) AND
HEAT CAPACITY (C_p , cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)

Species	$S_{298\text{K}}^{\circ}$	C_p (298 K) ^a
CH ₃ SH	60.64 (60.74)	12.19 (11.96)
CH ₄	44.46 (44.37)	8.45 (8.49)
³ O ₂	46.79 (48.84)	7.00 (6.99)
NO ₂	57.28 (57.18)	8.80 (8.85)
CH ₃ NO ₂	69.48 (65.52)	14.51

^aThe values in the parentheses from the references [35]

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