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## Photochemistry and diffusion in Jupiter's stratosphere: Constraints from ISO observations and comparisons with other giant planets

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[1] We have developed a one-dimensional, diurnally averaged, photochemical model for Jupiter's stratosphere that couples photodissociation, chemical kinetics, vertical diffusion, and radiative transport. The predictions regarding the abundances and vertical profiles of hydrocarbon compounds are compared with observations from the Infrared Space Observatory (ISO) to better constrain the atmospheric composition, to better define the eddy diffusion coefficient profile, and to better understand the chemical reaction schemes that produce and destroy the observed constituents. From model-data comparisons we determine that the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> mole fraction on Jupiter is  $(4.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-6}$  at 3.5 mbar and  $(2.7 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-6}$  at 7 mbar, and the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> mole fraction is  $(1.4 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-6}$  at 0.25 mbar and  $(1.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-7}$  at 2 mbar. The column densities of CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> are  $(1.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{15}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> and  $(8.0 \pm 2) \times 10^{14}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>, respectively, above 30 mbar. Using identical reaction lists, we also have developed photochemical models for Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune. Although the models provide good first-order predictions of hydrocarbon abundances on the giant planets, our current chemical reaction schemes do not reproduce the relative abundances of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>x</sub> hydrocarbons. Unsaturated hydrocarbons like C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> appear to be converted to saturated hydrocarbons like C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> more effectively on Jupiter than on the other giant planets, more effectively than is predicted by the models. Further progress in our understanding of photochemistry at low temperatures and low pressures in hydrogen-dominated atmospheres hinges on the acquisition of high-quality kinetics data.

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### 1. Introduction

[2] Although the Jovian stratosphere is composed largely of hydrogen, helium, and methane, infrared spectra from the planet exhibit numerous emission features due to higher-order hydrocarbons. Trace amounts of these heavier hydrocarbons are produced from the photolysis of methane in Jupiter's upper stratosphere. The hydrocarbon photochemical products eventually diffuse downward into the deep troposphere, where they encounter high temperatures and are converted back into methane. Although our qualitative understanding of Jovian hydrocarbon photochemistry goes back decades (see the reviews of Strobel [1975, 1983],

Atreya [1986], Yung and DeMore [1999], and Moses *et al.* [2004]), a detailed quantitative understanding is lacking. Photochemical models to date have not always done a good job of reproducing all the observed hydrocarbon abundances [see Lebonnois, 2005; Lee *et al.*, 2000; Wong *et al.*, 2000; Gladstone *et al.*, 1996; Romani, 1996; Allen *et al.*, 1992; Landry *et al.*, 1991; West *et al.*, 1986; Strobel, 1969, 1973, 1983; Yung and Strobel, 1980; Atreya and Donahue, 1979; Prasad *et al.*, 1975; Hunten, 1969; C. A. Nixon *et al.*, Meridional variations of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> in Jupiter's atmosphere from Cassini CIRS infrared spectra, submitted to *Icarus*, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as Nixon *et al.*, submitted manuscript, 2005)], especially if one takes into account the new high-quality observational constraints provided by ISO, the Infrared Space Observatory (ISO was an ESA project with instruments funded by ESA Member States (especially the PI countries: France, Germany, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom) with the participation of NASA and ISAS.) [e.g., Encrenaz *et al.*, 1996, 1999; Drossart *et al.*, 1999; Feuchtgruber *et al.*, 1999; Fouchet *et al.*, 2000b; Bézard *et al.*, 2001b; Lellouch *et al.*, 2001; Encrenaz, 2003]. Information about the

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latitudinal variation of  $C_2H_2$  and  $C_2H_6$  has now also been supplied by the Composite Infrared Spectrometer (CIRS) during the Cassini Jupiter flyby [Kunde et al., 2004; Nixon et al., submitted manuscript, 2005]. Recent advances in our knowledge of the stratospheric temperature profile, stratospheric molecular abundances, species distribution with altitude and latitude, chemical reaction rate coefficients, ultraviolet absorption cross sections, and photolysis quantum yields have provided important new model constraints and input parameters, and updated models of Jovian stratospheric photochemistry are needed in order to explain the observed composition.

[3] Observations of stratospheric constituents generally have centered around ethane ( $C_2H_6$ ) and acetylene ( $C_2H_2$ ), the most abundant hydrocarbon photochemical products [e.g., Moses et al., 2004]. Using ISO data, Fouchet et al. [2000b] were able to derive information about the altitude distribution of ethane and acetylene; such information is very useful for constraining photochemical reaction schemes and eddy diffusion coefficients in Jupiter's stratosphere. Along with these two species, observers using the Short-Wavelength Spectrometer (SWS) of the ISO satellite have detected methylacetylene ( $CH_3C_2H$ ) [Fouchet et al., 2000b] and benzene ( $C_6H_6$ ) [Bézard et al., 2001b] for the first time in non-auroral observations. ISO data also show evidence for stratospheric  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$ , indicating that oxygen is being introduced to Jupiter's upper atmosphere from external sources [Feuchtgruber et al., 1997, 1999; Moses et al., 2000b; Lellouch et al., 2002] (see also the ground-based infrared CO observations of Bézard et al. [2002a]). The oxygen-bearing molecules can slightly influence hydrocarbon photochemistry [e.g., Moses et al., 2000b] and can provide useful constraints on eddy diffusion coefficients in Jupiter's stratosphere [Bézard et al., 2002a; Lellouch et al., 2002; Moreno et al., 2003]. In addition, the extensive wavelength coverage of the ISO-SWS data facilitates the derivation of stratospheric temperatures [Drossart et al., 1999; Fouchet et al., 2000b; Lellouch et al., 2001], allowing a less ambiguous determination of molecular abundances.

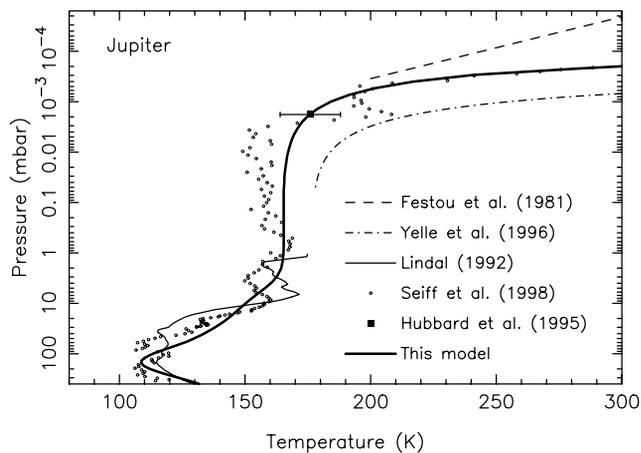
[4] We use the observational constraints provided by ISO, along with recent  $C_2H_4$  observations [Bézard et al., 2001a, 2002b; P. N. Romani et al., Temporally varying ethylene on Jupiter, submitted to *Icarus*, 2005], to construct a new one-dimensional steady-state model of Jovian stratospheric photochemistry. The model includes coupled hydrocarbon and oxygen photochemistry, vertical eddy and molecular diffusion, and radiative transport (including multiple Rayleigh scattering by  $H_2$ , He, and  $CH_4$ ). The comprehensive Jupiter study of Gladstone et al. [1996] and Saturn study of Moses et al. [2000a, 2000b] form the basis for our model, but the rate coefficients and some reaction pathways have been completely revamped on the basis of new laboratory and theoretical determinations. In the following sections, we discuss the details of the photochemical model, examine the previous observations that have been used to constrain the eddy diffusion coefficient profile in Jupiter's stratosphere, and compare the model results with ISO and other Earth-based and spacecraft data. Because the ISO-SWS observations do not provide information about hydrocarbon abundances at the methane homopause (with the exception of the  $CH_4 \nu_3$  band fluorescence analysis of Drossart et al.

[1999]), we also examine how our models compare with H and He ultraviolet emission data [e.g., Broadfoot et al., 1981; McConnell et al., 1981; Skinner et al., 1988; Shemansky and Judge, 1988; Ben Jaffel et al., 1993; Vervack et al., 1995; Gladstone et al., 1995] and with the results from the  $\alpha$  Leo occultation recorded by the Voyager Ultraviolet Spectrometer (UVS) [e.g., Festou et al., 1981; Yelle et al., 1996]. The implications of the model-data comparisons with respect to Jovian stratospheric chemistry and the eddy diffusion coefficient profile will be discussed in detail. The photochemical models will also be applied to Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune and the results compared with observations. Although we were successful in reproducing the observed abundances of  $C_2H_2$ ,  $C_2H_6$ , and some of the other hydrocarbons for Jupiter with a single reaction list, not all the hydrocarbon abundances were well reproduced, and the same reaction list did not always provide the best fit to observations from the other giant planets. While the one-dimensional nature of the model and/or the spatial and temporal variability of the data sets may be partly at fault, it is clear from our comparisons of the model with observations from all the giant planets that our understanding of hydrocarbon photochemistry at conditions relevant to the outer planets is still incomplete. We will indicate what future observations, laboratory measurements, and/or theoretical calculations may be needed to improve our understanding of the chemical processes occurring in Jupiter's stratosphere.

## 2. Photochemical Model Inputs

[5] To determine the distribution of chemical constituents in Jupiter's atmosphere, we use the Caltech/JPL chemical kinetics and diffusion code [e.g., Gladstone et al., 1996; Yung et al., 1984; Allen et al., 1981] to solve the coupled one-dimensional continuity equations. The solutions to the coupled equations are allowed to reach steady state, and the chemical production and loss terms are diurnally averaged. Eddy and molecular diffusion are considered in the transport terms. The temperature-pressure profile adopted for our  $30^\circ N$  latitude vernal equinox models is shown in Figure 1. At pressures greater than  $\sim 1$  mbar, the temperatures are derived from infrared observations from ISO [Lellouch et al., 2001]. At pressures less than  $\sim 10^{-3}$  mbar, the temperature profile is a smoothed version of that derived from the ASI experiment on the Galileo entry probe [Seiff et al., 1998]. Between 1 mbar and  $10^{-3}$  mbar, the temperatures are assumed to be roughly isothermal until they gradually connect with the smoothed ASI profile at high altitudes. Note that our resulting profile is warmer than the Galileo ASI profile in the upper stratosphere. We also assume that the atmosphere is in hydrostatic equilibrium, with pressure, temperature, altitude, density, mean molecular mass, and other atmospheric parameters of interest given in auxiliary material Table S1<sup>1</sup>. The molecular and thermal diffusion coefficients used in the model are described by Moses et al. [2000a]. The eddy diffusion coefficient profile is one of the

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**Figure 1.** The temperature profile adopted for our Jupiter model (thick line), as compared with profiles derived from various observations. The dashed line represents the Voyager UVS occultation analysis of Festou *et al.* [1981], the dot-dashed line is Model C of Yelle *et al.* [1996] and is derived from a reanalysis of the UVS occultation data set in conjunction with various other ultraviolet and visible observations, the thin solid line represents the Voyager 1 egress radio occultation results from Lindal [1992] that have been rescaled by Conrath and Gautier [2000] for an updated helium abundance, the small circles represent the Galileo probe measurements from the ASI experiment [Seiff *et al.*, 1998], and the square with associated error bars represents the ground-based stellar occultation results of Hubbard *et al.* [1995]. Our profile is derived from ISO observations at pressures greater than  $\sim 1$  mbar [see Lellouch *et al.*, 2001, and references therein] and from the ASI measurements at pressures less than  $\sim 10^{-3}$  mbar. As can be seen from the variations in the different measurements, determining an appropriate globally averaged stratospheric temperature profile is problematic (figure modified from Moses *et al.* [2004]; reprinted with permission).

main free parameters in the model, and our adopted profiles are discussed in section 3. Because of uncertainties in chemical reaction rate coefficients and in the location of the methane homopause, we create three distinct models (Models A, B, and C) that all provide a reasonable fit to the ISO data for the  $\nu_5$  band of  $C_2H_2$  and the  $\nu_9$  band of  $C_2H_6$ . Models A and B have the same chemistry but different eddy diffusion coefficient profiles. Model C has different chemistry from Models A and B (see below).

[6] The continuity equations are solved using finite-difference techniques (Newton's method) with 111 atmospheric levels and a vertical resolution of at least three altitude levels per scale height. The lower boundary is located at 6.7 bar and the upper boundary at  $7.4 \times 10^{-8}$  mbar. Calculations are performed until successive iterations differ by no more than 0.1%. The model includes 66 different hydrocarbon and oxygen species that are allowed to vary with vertical transport and with 501 different chemical reactions. Of these 501 reactions, 120 involve photodissociation. Note that tropospheric photochemistry of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sulfur is not included, so the results for the troposphere are not accurate. Unlike the

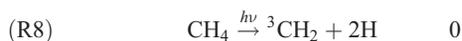
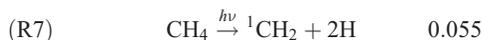
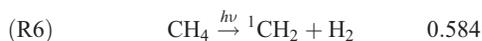
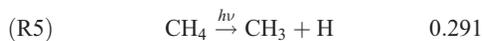
situation for the Saturn model of Moses *et al.* [2000a, 2000b], we now include multiple Rayleigh scattering by  $H_2$ , He, and  $CH_4$  using a Feautrier radiative-transfer method [e.g., Michelangeli *et al.*, 1992]. Low-to-average solar ultraviolet flux values are used in our models [see Moses *et al.*, 2000a]. Calculations are performed for  $30^\circ$  latitude at equinox.

[7] The volume mixing ratios (mole fractions) of He,  $CH_4$ , and CO are assumed to be fixed at the lower boundary in the model. On the basis of the Galileo probe mass spectrometer and helium interferometer experiments, the mole fractions of He and  $CH_4$  are assumed to be 0.136 and  $1.81 \times 10^{-3}$ , respectively, at 6.7 bar [Niemann *et al.*, 1998; von Zahn *et al.*, 1998]. The mole fraction of CO is assumed to be  $8.0 \times 10^{-10}$  on the basis of the high-resolution ground-based infrared observations of Bézard *et al.* [2002a]. All other species are assumed to have a zero concentration gradient at the lower boundary so that the species are transported through the boundary at a maximum possible velocity given by the eddy diffusion coefficient divided by the atmospheric scale height. Because our lower boundary is so far below the tropopause, our choice of the boundary condition has little effect on concentration profiles in the stratosphere.

[8] Zero flux is assumed as an upper boundary condition for most of the species in the model because the constituents are too heavy to escape thermally, and chemical sources and sinks are expected to be negligible. Atomic hydrogen, which is produced by photochemical processes at higher altitudes in the thermosphere, is the one exception to this rule. We assume a fixed downward flux for atomic hydrogen at the upper boundary. The magnitude of that flux is a free parameter in the model; our choice depends on the eddy diffusion coefficient profile and the adopted chemistry. For Models A, B, and C (see below), we consider a downward flux at the upper boundary of  $1.5 \times 10^9$  H atoms  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ ,  $4.3 \times 10^9$  H atoms  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ , and  $8.0 \times 10^8$  H atoms  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ , respectively. The photochemical model results are not particularly sensitive to the selected values; however, the assumptions regarding the H influx rate do affect the predicted Ly  $\alpha$  brightness.

[9] Our models contain the list of species given by Moses *et al.* [2000a], along with  $C_5H_3$ ,  $C_5H_4$ ,  $C_6H_4$ , and  $C_6H_5$ . We also now distinguish between benzene ( $C_6H_6$ ) and linear  $C_6H_6$  molecules such as 1, 5-hexadiyne and 1, 2-hexadien-5-yne (hereafter all linear  $C_6H_6$  molecules are designated as *l*- $C_6H_6$ ). Water and benzene molecules in the condensed phase are also included, following the procedure described by Moses *et al.* [2000b], but other condensed hydrocarbons are not, as condensation is not expected to be an important loss process for the major hydrocarbons on Jupiter. Meteoritic oxygen is introduced to the upper atmosphere in the form of  $H_2O$ , CO, and  $CO_2$  in the  $4 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $7 \times 10^{-8}$  mbar region, with an ablation peak at  $4 \times 10^{-5}$  mbar. The total influx rate is assumed to be  $4 \times 10^4$   $H_2O$  molecules  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ ,  $4 \times 10^6$  CO molecules  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ , and  $1 \times 10^4$   $CO_2$  molecules  $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ ; the low  $H_2O/CO$  ratio assumed for Jupiter as opposed to Saturn is based on observational constraints and likely reflects the importance of cometary impacts as a source of the external oxygen on Jupiter [Bézard *et al.*, 2002a; Lellouch *et al.*, 2002]. The ablation profiles were taken from Moses [2001].

[10] The photodissociation reactions included in our models, along with the photolysis rate coefficients at all altitudes, can be found in auxiliary material Table S2. The cross sections are taken from *Moses et al.* [2000a, 2000b] and references therein. The branching ratios for CH<sub>4</sub> photolysis are not well known. We use the recommendations of *J.-H. Wang et al.* [2000] for Ly  $\alpha$  photolysis:



Although the branching ratios change at other wavelengths, Ly  $\alpha$  dominates the UV flux at wavelengths that can dissociate CH<sub>4</sub>, and the first two branches (R5 and R6) account for most of the photolysis of methane in our model Jovian stratosphere. The branch producing CH plays an important role in the production of unsaturated hydrocarbons like C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, and experiments that better define the CH quantum yield from Ly  $\alpha$  photolysis of CH<sub>4</sub> are needed. We could not find cross sections for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, or C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> in the literature and have estimated that the photolysis rate ( $J_{81}$ ) for reaction R81 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>  $\xrightarrow{h\nu}$  C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub> + C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>) is 10 times less than that for reaction R4 (CH<sub>3</sub>  $\xrightarrow{h\nu}$  <sup>1</sup>CH<sub>2</sub> + H). Similarly, we have assumed that  $J_{84} = J_{85} = J_{86} = J_{43}/300$ , and  $J_{87} = J_{88} = J_{43}/200$ . The resulting  $J$  values allow photolysis to be an important loss process for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, but other loss processes such as reaction with atomic H dominate for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>. We tested the influence of these estimated rates by dividing or multiplying the  $J$  values by 100. A change in  $J_{81}$ ,  $J_{84}$ ,  $J_{85}$ ,  $J_{86}$ ,  $J_{87}$ , and  $J_{88}$  by a factor of a hundred has no effect on the abundances of the observable hydrocarbons.

[11] Photoabsorption cross sections for benzene were taken from *Suto et al.* [1992] and *Pantos et al.* [1978]. Branching ratios were estimated from *Tsai et al.* [2001], *Mebel et al.* [1997], and *Yokoyama et al.* [1990]. However, the photolysis of benzene is complicated, and the photoproducts are not completely characterized. Absorption of ultraviolet photons can lead to “hot” benzene molecules that are in a transient highly excited state of the ground electronic state [e.g., *Nakashima and Yoshihara*, 1982; *Tsai et al.*, 2001; and references therein]. The dissociation lifetime of hot benzene is quite long, as much as 10<sup>-5</sup> seconds according to *Tsai et al.* [2000]. Thus hot benzene can be collisionally stabilized without dissociating if the background atmospheric pressure is high enough, whereas dissociation can occur in collision-free conditions [e.g., *Yokoyama et al.*, 1990; *Tsai et al.*, 2001]. Given the long lifetime of hot benzene, absorption of a second photon is also possible, leading to different dissociation pathways from single-photon absorption. A full investigation of

benzene photolysis is beyond the scope of this work. However, the long dissociation lifetime for benzene likely plays a role in its high observed abundance [*Bézard et al.*, 2001b] on Jupiter and Saturn. To simulate this process with a simple parameterization scheme, we assume that the photolysis rate is pressure dependent. We first note that at  $\sim 7 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar on Jupiter, the lifetime against collisions is equal to the  $\sim 10$   $\mu$ s dissociation lifetime. To calculate the photolysis lifetime of benzene in Jupiter's stratosphere, we then take the derived “instantaneous dissociation”  $J$  value (assuming 100% dissociation efficiency with cross sections from the sources mentioned above), and divide by  $1 + (p/7 \times 10^{-3})$ , for the atmospheric pressure  $p$  in mbar. The resulting  $J$  values tail off quickly at high pressures once C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> collisions with other atmospheric constituents become important. This parameterization scheme results in a benzene column abundance that is a factor of  $\geq 400$  higher than would be the case assuming 100% dissociation efficiency and no pressure dependence; the large difference in the C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> abundance with these different assumptions is the result of relatively inefficient benzene recycling with our reaction schemes once photolysis takes place [cf. *Lebonnois*, 2005].

[12] As with the Saturn model of *Moses et al.* [2000a, 2000b], we consider a fairly complete set of bimolecular and termolecular chemical reactions for hydrocarbons containing from one to four carbon atoms and for oxygen-bearing species containing two or fewer oxygen atoms and two or fewer carbon atoms. Our list of hydrocarbon and oxygen reactions is shown in auxiliary material Table S3. Table 1 provides a subset of Table S3 to highlight the differences between Models A and B and Model C: Models A and B have the same reaction list but a different eddy diffusion coefficient profile, whereas the chemistry in Model C differs in several important ways from the chemistry in Models A and B. Reactions with total integrated column rates less than 1 cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> in the stratosphere (for Model A) are omitted from these tables. Our overall reaction list has its roots in the Titan investigation of *Yung et al.* [1984], the Jupiter investigation of *Gladstone et al.* [1996], and the Saturn investigation of *Moses et al.* [2000a, 2000b], but the rate coefficients have been extensively updated. Reactions whose rate constants have been updated from the *Moses et al.* [2000a, 2000b] studies have reaction numbers highlighted in bold. Other models of hydrocarbon photochemistry on the giant planets and Titan that have influenced our selection of reaction rates include *Allen et al.* [1992], *Romani et al.* [1993], *Toublanc et al.* [1995], *Romani* [1996], *Lara et al.* [1996], *Bishop et al.* [1998], *Lee et al.* [2000], *Lebonnois et al.* [2001, 2003], *Wilson et al.* [2003], *Wilson and Atreya* [2004], and *Lebonnois* [2005].

[13] For the three-body (termolecular) addition reactions, we assume that the rate constants (in cm<sup>6</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) obey the form

$$k = \left( \frac{k_0}{1 + \frac{k_0[M]}{k_\infty}} \right) F_c^\beta, \quad (1)$$

where  $k_0$  is the low-pressure three-body limiting value in units of cm<sup>6</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>,  $k_\infty$  is the high-pressure limiting value in

**Table 1.** Reaction Rate Differences Between Models A and B and Model C<sup>a</sup>

Reaction	Rate constant	Reference <sup>b</sup>
R186: $\text{H} + \text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{CH}_4$	$k_0 = 1.5 \times 10^{-24} T^{-1.8}$ $k_0 = 6.0 \times 10^{-29}, T \leq 277.5 \text{ K}$ $k_\infty = 1.92 \times 10^{-8} T^{-0.5} e^{(-400/T)}$ $k_\infty = 4.823 \times 10^{-11}, T \leq 110 \text{ K}$ $F_c = 0.3 + 0.58e^{(-7/800)}$	Models A and B; based on [1], [2], and [3]
	$k_0 = 7.81 \times 10^{-18} T^{-3.87} e^{(-1222/T)}$ $k_0 = 3.46 \times 10^{-29}, T \leq 316 \text{ K}$ $k_\infty = 4.6 \times 10^{-7} T^{-1} e^{(-474/T)}$ $k_\infty = 4.8 \times 10^{-11}, T \leq 105 \text{ K}$ $F_c = 0.31 + e^{(-7/425)}$	Model C; based on [1] and [2]
R190: $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$	$F_c = 1.0, \text{ for } T \leq 157.7 \text{ K}$ $k_0 = 3.3 \times 10^{-30} e^{(-740/T)}$ $k_\infty = 1.4 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1300/T)}$ $F_c = 0.44$	Models A and B; [3]
	$k_0 = 3.34 \times 10^{-26} T^{-1.46} e^{(-1144/T)}$ $k_\infty = 2.3 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1350/T)}$ $F_c = 0.6$	Model C; based on [4]
R191: $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 \longrightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 + \text{H}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-12} T^{0.5}$	Models A and B; data compilation
R192: $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	$k_{192,\infty} - k_{192}[M]$ $k_0 = 2.3 \times 10^{-24} T^{-1}$ $k_\infty = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$	Model C; estimate Models A and B; based on [5], [6]
	$k_0 = 1.75 \times 10^{-27} T^{-0.3}$ $k_\infty = 7.0 \times 10^{-11} T^{0.18}$ $k_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{-29} e^{(-380/T)}$	Model C; based on [6], [7]
R194: $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	$k_0 = 3.7 \times 10^{-30}, T \leq 302.4 \text{ K}$ $k_\infty = 6.6 \times 10^{-15} T^{1.28} e^{(-650/T)}$ $F_c = 0.24e^{(-7/40)} + 0.76e^{(-7/1025)}$	Models A and B; [3] estimate [3] [3]
	$k_0 = 1.68 \times 10^{-38} T^{2.87} e^{(923/T)}$ $k_\infty = 6.6 \times 10^{-15} T^{1.28} e^{(-650/T)}$ $F_c = 0.24e^{(-7/40)} + 0.76e^{(-7/1025)}$	Model C; from [8] [3] [3]
R294: $\text{CH}_3 + \text{C}_3\text{H}_2 \longrightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$ $8.0 \times 10^{-11}$	Models A and B; estimate Model C; estimate
R328: $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3 + \text{H}_2 \longrightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{H}$	$1.57 \times 10^{-20} T^{2.56} e^{(-2529/T)}$ $5.23 \times 10^{-15} T^{0.7} e^{(-2574/T)}$	Models A and B; [9] Model C; [10]

<sup>a</sup>M represents any third body. Two-body rate constants and high-pressure limiting rate constants for three-body reactions ( $k_\infty$ ) are in units of  $\text{cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Low-pressure limiting rate constants for three-body reactions ( $k_0$ ) are in units of  $\text{cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

<sup>b</sup>References: 1, *Brouard et al.* [1989]; 2, *Seakins et al.* [1997]; 3, *Baulch et al.* [1994]; 4, *Payne and Stief* [1976]; 5, *Fahr* [1995]; 6, *Monks et al.* [1995]; 7, *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b]; 8, *Lightfoot and Pilling* [1987]; 9, *Knyazev et al.* [1996]; 10, *Weissman and Benson* [1988].

units of  $\text{cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $[M]$  is the total atmospheric density ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ), and the exponent  $\beta$  is

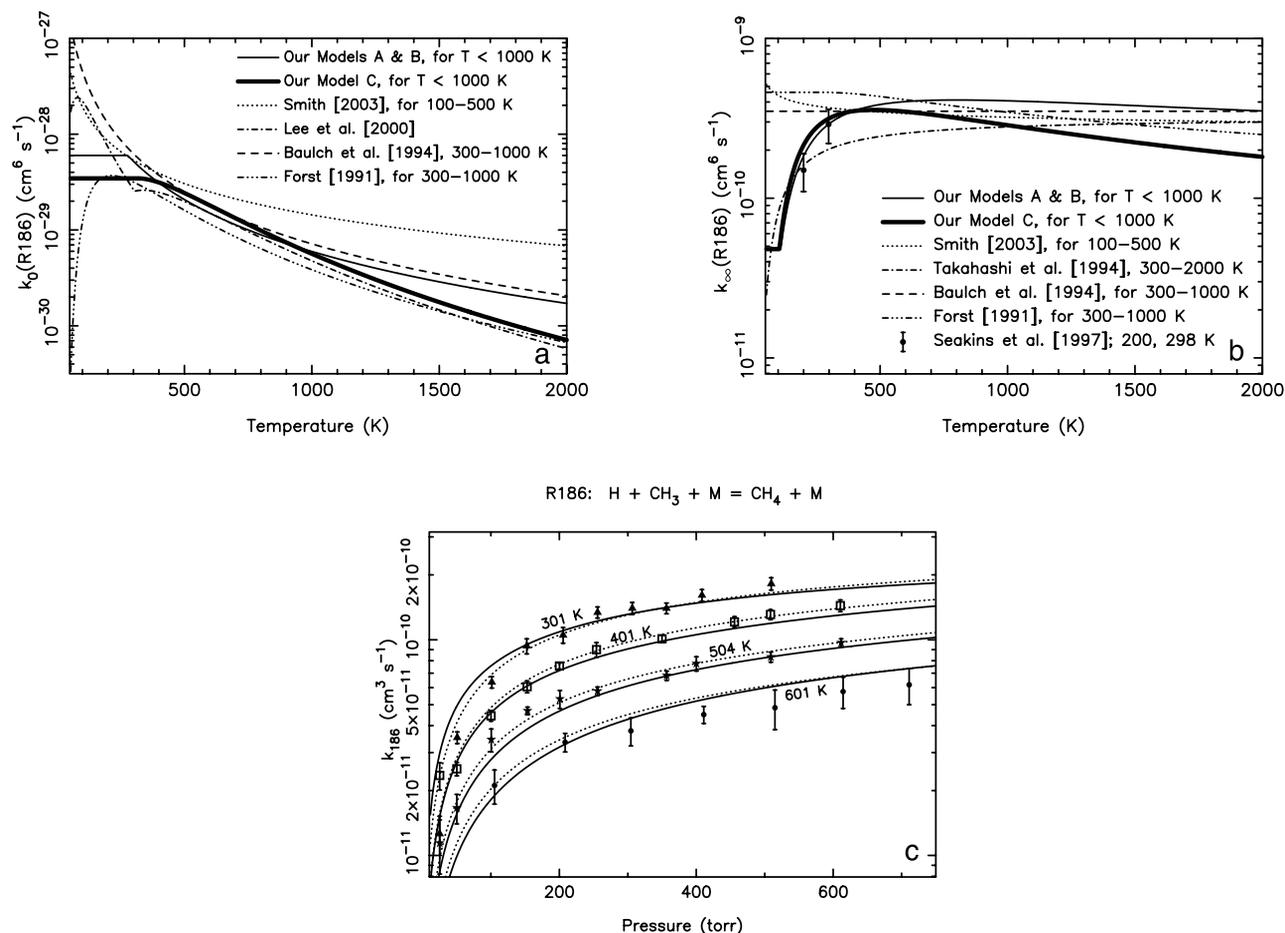
$$\beta = \left( \frac{1}{1 + \left[ \log_{10} \left( \frac{k_0 [M]}{k_\infty} \right) \right]^2} \right). \quad (2)$$

We assume  $F_c \approx 0.6$  [DeMore et al., 1992], unless otherwise noted.

[14] The important association reaction  $\text{H} + \text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{CH}_4$  (R186) has been studied extensively at room temperature and higher, but low-temperature investigations are rare. We use the interpolation expression from equation (1) along with the rate measurements of *Brouard et al.* [1989] and *Seakins et al.* [1997] to derive the temperature-dependent low- and high-pressure limiting rate constants shown in Tables 1 and S3 and plotted in Figure 2. Our expression provides a reasonable fit to the 300–600 K data of *Brouard et al.* [1989] and to the  $k_\infty$  at 200 and 298 K inferred by *Seakins et al.* [1997]. The extrapolation to colder temperatures is not known, however. Because the relative effectiveness of R186 versus R287 ( $\text{CH}_3 + \text{CH}_3 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_6 + \text{M}$ ) helps control the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$

abundance in Jupiter's stratosphere, further low-temperature laboratory investigations or theoretical calculations regarding these two reactions are encouraged. Recently, *Smith* [2003] used a restricted Gorin RRKM model to calculate  $k_0$  (in He) and  $k_\infty$  for R186 at 65–300 K. His derived expression produces  $k_0$  and  $k_\infty$  values that are higher than ours at relevant Jovian stratospheric temperatures.

[15] As discussed by *Moses et al.* [2000a], *Romani* [1996], *Gladstone et al.* [1996], *Fahr et al.* [1995], and *Allen et al.* [1992], the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6/\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  ratio in Jupiter's lower stratosphere is sensitive to the atomic hydrogen reactions R189–R195 that affect the efficiency of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  recycling. Although all these reactions have been studied in the laboratory, the investigated temperatures are generally higher than is relevant for giant-planet stratospheres and the low-pressure limiting rate constants are not always well determined. The reaction  $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$  (R190) is important in controlling the atomic hydrogen abundance in outer-planetary stratospheres. Our expression for the rate constant of R190 was taken from *Baulch et al.* [1994] for our Models A and B. However, because this expression may underestimate  $k_\infty$  (see Figure 3) [Payne and Stief, 1976; Sugawara et al., 1981; Knyazev and Slagle, 1996], we adopt an alternative expression for Model C (see Table 1



**Figure 2.** The rate constant for reaction R186 ( $\text{H} + \text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{CH}_4$ ), as calculated or measured by various groups: (a) low-pressure limit, (b) high-pressure limit, and (c) the pressure-dependent rates as predicted from our expressions given in Table S3 and equation (1). Note that the rate constants shown in Figures 2a and 2b are extrapolated beyond the temperature ranges suggested by the various authors. In Figure 2c, our full rate-constant expressions from Models A and B (solid lines) and Model C (dotted lines) are compared with experimental data from *Brouard et al.* [1989] at 301 K (triangles), 401 K (squares), 504 K (stars), and 601 K (circles).

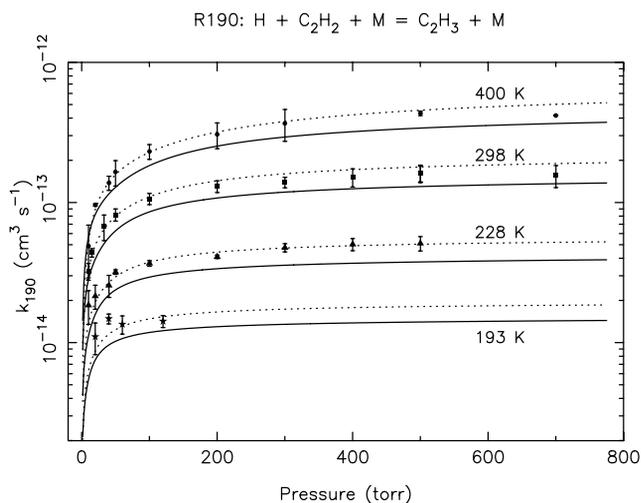
and auxiliary material Table S3). The fit of our two different expressions to the data of *Payne and Stief* [1976] is shown in Figure 3. New work by *Miller and Klippenstein* [2004] and their theoretical extrapolation to very low temperatures (G. P. Smith, personal communication, 2004) suggests that we may be underestimating  $k_0$  at Jovian stratospheric temperatures as well. The sensitivity of our model results to the rate coefficients for R190 are discussed in section 4.4.

[16] The photochemistry of methylacetylene has not been extensively studied, especially at the low temperatures typical in Jupiter's stratosphere. Few data exist for the potentially important reactions of atomic H with  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_x$  radicals (e.g., reactions R199–R201, R207–R210). The reactions of atomic H with allene, methylacetylene, and propene have been studied in laboratory settings, but the reaction products are not well known, except for the case of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  [*B. Wang et al.*, 2000]. Our adopted expressions for R202, R203, and R204 compare well with the total rate for the  $\text{H} + \text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  reaction as determined by *Whytock et al.* [1976] (see Figure 4). According to *Wagner and Zellner* [1972] and *B. Wang et al.* [2000], reaction of H with  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  (R204) occurs by terminal addition to form  $\text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2$  (1-methyl-

vinyl) radicals rather than  $\text{CH}_2\text{CHCH}_2$  (allyl) radicals. Because R204 is the dominant mechanism for producing  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5$  in our model, we include reaction R209 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_3\text{H}_5 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3 + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$ ), as suggested by *Wagner and Zellner* [1972], although the pathway would be endothermic with allyl as the  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5$  radical. Reaction R209 plays an important role in our model through its effect on the H atom abundance (i.e., the  $\text{CH}_3$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3$  products continue to scavenge hydrogen); therefore more studies of the reaction of atomic hydrogen with  $\text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2$  radicals are greatly needed.

[17] Reaction of CH with  $\text{H}_2$  is an important loss process for CH in Jupiter's stratosphere. The abstraction pathway (reaction R241) dominates in the upper stratosphere, whereas the addition pathway becomes important in the lower stratosphere. Figure 5 shows how our adopted expressions for R242 compare with the experimental data of *Berman and Lin* [1984] and *Becker et al.* [1991].

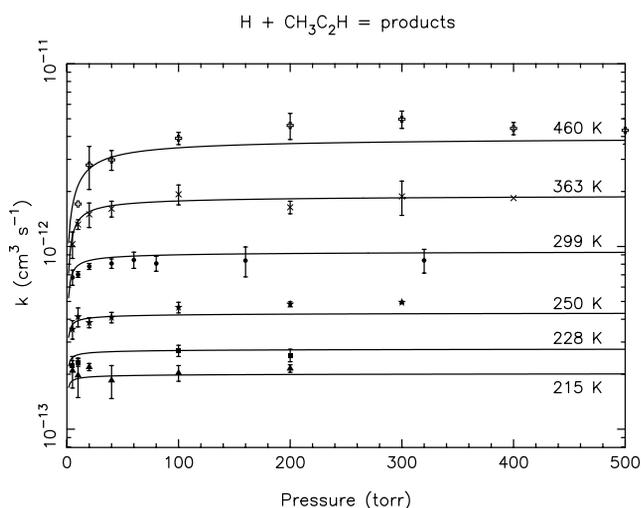
[18] Excited singlet methylene ( $^1\text{CH}_2$ ) is an important product of  $\text{CH}_4$  photolysis at Ly  $\alpha$  [see *J.-H. Wang et al.*, 2000]. The most likely fate of  $^1\text{CH}_2$  in Jupiter's stratosphere is reaction with  $\text{H}_2$  to form  $\text{CH}_3$  (reaction R259) or collisional deactivation (reaction R258). Our adopted rate



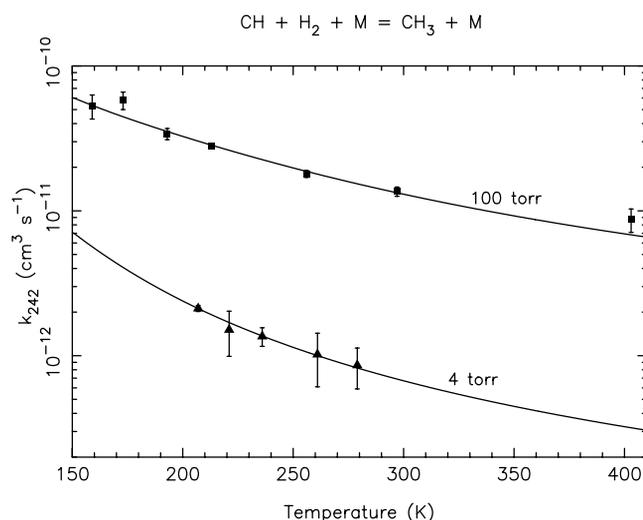
**Figure 3.** The rate constant for reaction R190 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$ ), as calculated from our expressions used in Models A and B (solid lines) and in Model C (dotted lines), compared with experimental data from *Payne and Stief* [1976] at 193 K (stars), 228 K (triangles), 298 K (squares), and 400 K (circles).

constants for  $k_{258}$  and  $k_{259}$  use information on the relative importance of the two branches at 298 K from *Braun et al.* [1970] and the absolute rate constant derived by *Langford et al.* [1983]. Our expressions and the relative importance of R258 and R259 are roughly consistent with the recent derivations of *Blitz et al.* [2001]. We discuss the sensitivity of the results to  $k_{258}$  and  $k_{259}$  in section 4.4. Further investigations into the low-temperature behavior and pressure dependence of these reactions are warranted.

[19] Methyl-methyl recombination (reaction R287) is responsible for most of the production of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  in Jupiter's stratosphere. The high-pressure limiting rate constant  $k_{\infty,287}$  at temperatures above 298 K. Recently, *Smith* [2003] has used RRKM and master-equation calculations to derive rate-constant expressions for R287 at 65–300 K at any pressure. Our expression, which has somewhat lower values for  $k_{0,287}$  than that of *Smith* [2003], was designed to fit the experimental data of *Walter et al.* [1990] at 200, 300, and 408 K with Ar as the bath gas (see Figure 6). The derived expression is also consistent with the He-bath-gas data of *Cody et al.* [2003] at 155 K, the He bath gas data of *Cody et al.* [2002] at 202 K, and the Ar-bath-gas data of *Slagle et al.* [1988] at 296 K; however, the expression overestimates the rate constant when compared with the 298-K He-bath-gas data of *Cody et al.* [2002] and underestimates  $k_{287}$  when compared with the Ar-bath-gas data of *Slagle et al.* [1988] at 474 K. The extrapolation to temperatures below 200 K is very uncertain, and our expression assumes that both  $k_{0,287}$  and  $k_{\infty,287}$  increase with decreasing temperature.



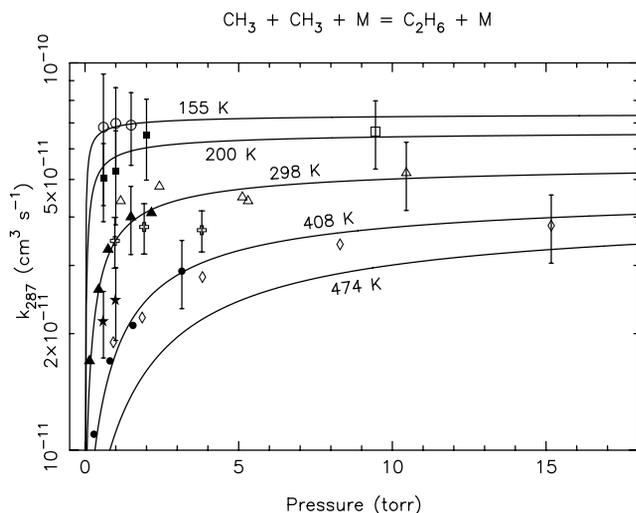
**Figure 4.** The rate constant for reaction R202 + R203 + R204 ( $\text{H} + \text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H} \rightarrow \text{products}$ ), as predicted from the expression given in Table S3 (solid lines), compared with experimental data from *Whytock et al.* [1976] at various temperatures (as labeled).



**Figure 5.** The rate constant for reaction R242 ( $\text{CH} + \text{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{CH}_3$ ), as predicted from the expression given in Table S3 (solid lines), compared with experimental data from *Becker et al.* [1991] at a total pressure of 100 torr (squares) and with data from *Berman and Lin* [1984] at 4 torr (triangles).

1990; *Cody et al.*, 2002, 2003]; however, obtaining rate-constant information in the falloff regime at temperatures relevant to the Jovian stratosphere poses experimental difficulties, and the low-pressure limiting rate constant  $k_{0,287}$  is not well constrained for  $T \leq 200$  K (and no data exist for  $\text{H}_2$  as the bath gas). *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999a] have calculated the reaction rate using a variational transition-state-theory analysis, but the results are not presented for temperatures below 200 K, and their calculations tend to overpredict  $k_{\infty,287}$  (as compared with experimental values) at temperatures above 298 K. Recently, *Smith* [2003] has used RRKM and master-equation calculations to derive rate-constant expressions for R287 at 65–300 K at any pressure. Our expression, which has somewhat lower values for  $k_{0,287}$  than that of *Smith* [2003], was designed to fit the experimental data of *Walter et al.* [1990] at 200, 300, and 408 K with Ar as the bath gas (see Figure 6). The derived expression is also consistent with the He-bath-gas data of *Cody et al.* [2003] at 155 K, the He bath gas data of *Cody et al.* [2002] at 202 K, and the Ar-bath-gas data of *Slagle et al.* [1988] at 296 K; however, the expression overestimates the rate constant when compared with the 298-K He-bath-gas data of *Cody et al.* [2002] and underestimates  $k_{287}$  when compared with the Ar-bath-gas data of *Slagle et al.* [1988] at 474 K. The extrapolation to temperatures below 200 K is very uncertain, and our expression assumes that both  $k_{0,287}$  and  $k_{\infty,287}$  increase with decreasing temperature.

[20] Reactions R295 and R296 that deal with the reaction of methyl radicals ( $\text{CH}_3$ ) with propargyl radicals ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_3$ ) can influence not only the abundance of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_6$  but also that of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CCH}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ , and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . The propargyl-methyl cross-combination reaction has recently been studied experimentally by *Fahr and Nayak* [2000], who determine a room-temperature rate constant at 50 torr of  $(1.5 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and by *Knyazev and Slagle* [2001], who determine  $k_{\infty,295+296} = 6.8 \times 10^{-11}$



**Figure 6.** Our adopted rate constants (solid lines) for methyl-methyl recombination (reaction R287:  $2 \text{CH}_3 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ) in the falloff regime at several temperatures, as compared with various experimental values (data points, some with typical error bars). The data of *Walter et al.* [1990] with Ar as the bath gas are represented by open squares (200 K), solid triangles (300 K), and solid circles (408 K), and the data of *Slagle et al.* [1988] with Ar as the bath gas are represented by open triangles (296 K) and diamonds (474 K). The data of *Stoliarov et al.* [2000] with He as the bath gas are represented by crosses ( $\sim 310$  K). The recent discharge-flow kinetic measurements of *Cody et al.* [2002, 2003] with He as the bath gas are marked with open circles (155 K), solid squares (202 K), and solid stars (298 K).

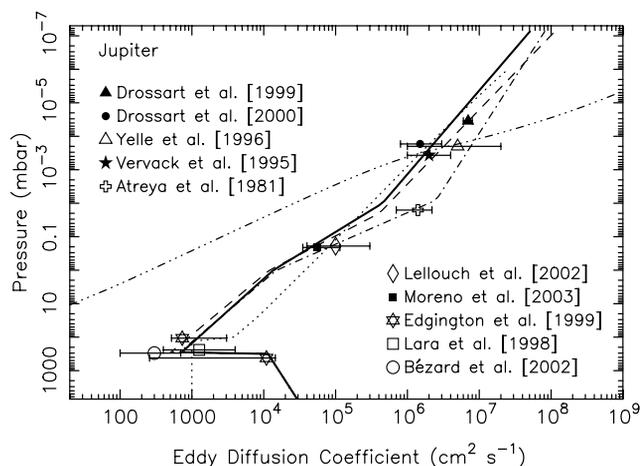
$\exp(130/T)$ . To maintain high abundances of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  in our model, we use a lower rate constant  $k_{\infty,295+296} = 1.66 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  that is more consistent with the high-temperature shock-tube study of *Wu and Kern* [1987]. The relative importance of the reaction products, however, is consistent with that determined by *Fahr and Nayak* [2000].

### 3. Previous Constraints on the Eddy Diffusion Coefficient Profile

[21] Although the decreasing atmospheric density with increasing altitude enables molecular diffusion to become important in the upper stratosphere, large- and small-scale atmospheric motions keep relatively stable chemical constituents like He and  $\text{CH}_4$  uniformly mixed throughout Jupiter's lower stratosphere. The eddy diffusion coefficient  $K$  is commonly used as a means for parameterizing the strength of this atmospheric mixing in one-dimensional models. When molecular diffusion starts to dominate over eddy mixing, the concentration of each atmospheric constituent begins to fall off with its own scale height. Methane, which is heavier than the background atmospheric  $\text{H}_2$ , exhibits a pronounced concentration gradient in this "homopause" region (where the homopause is defined as the level where  $K$  equals the molecular diffusion coefficient of the species in question). Methane molecules are photolyzed just below their homo-

pause level, and the pressure at which photolysis occurs can affect the resulting production and loss of various other hydrocarbons (including influencing the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6/\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  ratio, the effectiveness of  $\text{CH}_4$  recycling, and the overall production rate of unsaturated hydrocarbons). The abundance of long-lived photochemical products is also strongly influenced by the magnitude of the eddy diffusion coefficient in the stagnant lower stratosphere and/or upper troposphere. Small minimum values of the eddy diffusion coefficient ( $K_{\min}$ ) in this region provide an efficient bottleneck to the flow of hydrocarbons into the troposphere and allow the stratospheric column abundances to build up to large values. High values of  $K_{\min}$  increase the flow rate into the troposphere and reduce the stratospheric abundance of photochemical products.

[22] Because eddy diffusion coefficients cannot in general be derived from physical principles [cf. *Lindzen*, 1981; *Strobel et al.*, 1985; *West et al.*, 1986; *Medvedev and Klassen*, 1995], the eddy diffusion coefficient profile is one of the main free parameters of photochemical models. The presence of a stagnant lower stratosphere and upper troposphere on Jupiter (i.e., low value of  $K_{\min}$  in this region) is indicated by numerous pieces of evidence (see Figure 7). *Conrath et al.* [1984] use Voyager Infrared Interferometric Spectrometer (IRIS)



**Figure 7.** The eddy diffusion coefficients adopted for our models, as compared with observational constraints. The dot-dashed line represents Model A, the dashed line is Model B, the solid line is Model C, the dotted line is the preferred model of *Gladstone et al.* [1996], and the triple-dot-dashed line represents our adopted  $\text{CH}_4$  molecular diffusion coefficient in Jupiter's stratosphere given the thermal structure shown in Figure 1. The individual data points represent constraints reported from various observations, as labeled. The error bars in the case of the *Lara et al.* [1998] and *Edgington et al.* [1999] points indicate the range of derived values at different latitudes rather than true error bars. The pressure levels for the reported values of  $K_h$  were estimated through information given in the published reports and/or through personal communications (e.g., P. Drossart, 1999, and G. R. Gladstone, 2002 to J. I. Moses) and are approximate. The model profiles were developed independently of the reported values for  $K$  and were designed to reproduce observations of species abundances.

observations of the H<sub>2</sub> *ortho-para* ratio along with estimates of the *para* hydrogen equilibration time scales to determine that  $K \lesssim 3000 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at  $\sim 300$  mbar in Jupiter's upper troposphere. Observations of ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) and phosphine (PH<sub>3</sub>) at ultraviolet or infrared wavelengths can also help constrain  $K$  in the upper troposphere; high values of  $K$  allow these species to be carried to higher altitudes than they would otherwise be found. From ground-based thermal-infrared observations of NH<sub>3</sub>, Lara *et al.* [1998] conclude that  $K$  ranges from  $\lesssim 400$  to  $\sim 4000 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at 240 mbar, with the exact value depending on latitude. By comparing ultraviolet Hubble Space Telescope (HST) Faint Object Spectrograph (FOS) observations with the PH<sub>3</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> distributions from photochemical models, Edgington *et al.* [1998, 1999] also find that  $K$  varies with latitude, with derived values of  $K_{\text{min}}$  ranging from  $\sim 200$  to  $600 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at 80–1000 mbar. One advantage of these techniques is that observational inferences of the altitude distribution of NH<sub>3</sub> and PH<sub>3</sub> can provide information about the altitude variation of  $K$ . One drawback is that the results are sensitive to assumptions about photochemical production and loss mechanisms and scattering of radiation in the Jovian upper troposphere. Bézard *et al.* [2002a] demonstrate that  $K_{\text{min}}$  could also be determined through high-spectral-resolution observations of CO in the upper troposphere and lower stratosphere. From comparing observations of the 4.7  $\mu\text{m}$  band of CO on Jupiter to current estimates of the influx rate due to impacts with Jupiter-family comets, Bézard *et al.* [2002a] favor low values ( $\sim 100$ – $700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) for  $K_{\text{min}}$ , but the results are sensitive to the assumed cometary influx rate.

[23] Very few constraints on  $K$  exist for the middle stratosphere. From ISO observations of Jovian stratospheric H<sub>2</sub>O that is presumably derived from the Shoemaker-Levy 9 (SL9) impacts, Lellouch *et al.* [2002] have inferred vertical eddy diffusion coefficients of  $K = 4 \times 10^4$  to  $3 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at  $\sim 0.2$  mbar. Similarly, Moreno *et al.* [2003] use ground-based millimeter and submillimeter observations of SL9-derived CO, CS, and HCN to derive a value of  $K = 5.5_{-2}^{+6} \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at 0.2 mbar. We hope to place further constraints on  $K$  in the middle and lower stratosphere from ISO observations of the altitude distribution of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> [see also Fouchet *et al.*, 2000b].

[24] Various observations have also been used to constrain  $K_h$ , the value of the eddy diffusion coefficient at the methane (or sometimes helium) homopause. The most direct way to determine  $K_h$  is to measure the altitude variation of the species of interest in the homopause region through such techniques as ultraviolet observations of the planet as it occults the Sun or another star. Ultraviolet occultation measurements were obtained during the Voyager and Cassini spacecraft flybys. The Cassini UVIS occultation results are not yet available. The 1979 Voyager 2 UVS observation of the occultation of the star  $\alpha$  Leo at 51–169 nm [Broadfoot *et al.*, 1981] has provided determinations of the CH<sub>4</sub> mole fraction in the homopause region [Atreya *et al.*, 1981; Festou *et al.*, 1981; Yelle *et al.*, 1996]; however, the results are sensitive to assumptions about the temperature-density structure of the Jovian upper atmosphere, and the various

analyses do not agree. Using very different assumptions about the temperature profile in the Jovian upper atmosphere, Festou *et al.* [1981] and Atreya *et al.* [1981] derive a CH<sub>4</sub> mole fraction of  $2.5_{-2}^{+3} \times 10^{-5}$  at  $\sim 5 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar, whereas Yelle *et al.* [1996] derive a mole fraction of  $(1.5 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$  at  $\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$  mbar. The resulting determinations of  $K_h$  are  $1.4_{-0.7}^{+0.8} \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  [Festou *et al.*, 1981] and  $5_{-4}^{+15} \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  [Yelle *et al.*, 1996]. Although the actual values of  $K_h$  derived from these separate analyses are consistent to within the quoted error bars, the results regarding the methane vertical distribution and the location of the homopause are quite different (see section 4.3). Festou *et al.* [1981] and Atreya *et al.* [1981] locate the methane homopause at a pressure more than an order of magnitude higher than that derived by Yelle *et al.* [1996].

[25] The Yelle *et al.* [1996] results regarding the falloff of methane with altitude are roughly consistent with the results from an analysis of fluorescence in the  $\nu_3$  band of methane (near 3.3  $\mu\text{m}$ ) as observed from ISO-SWS in 1996 [Drossart *et al.*, 1999]. These latter authors determine  $K_h$  to be  $(6\text{--}8) \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , with a CH<sub>4</sub> mole fraction profile in the  $10^{-3}$  to  $10^{-4}$  mbar region. On the other hand, ground-based infrared observations of methane absorption in the 2.3  $\mu\text{m}$  band during the occultation of star HIP9369 by Jupiter in 1999 [Drossart *et al.*, 2000] place the methane homopause at a higher pressure (lower altitude), with an inferred  $K_h$  of  $1.5_{-0.8}^{+1.5} \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . It is not clear whether the differences here reflect differences in model assumptions, real variations in  $K_h$  with time, and/or variations in  $K_h$  with spatial location. We note, however, that recent spatially resolved observations of fluorescence emission in the hot band  $\nu_3 + \nu_4 - \nu_4$  of CH<sub>4</sub> obtained with the VLT/ISAAC instrument [Drossart *et al.*, 2001] demonstrate that the CH<sub>4</sub> mole fraction at the homopause is constant to within  $\pm 20\%$  across the Jovian disk (P. Drossart, personal communication, 2002).

[26] Eddy diffusion coefficients in the homopause region can also be determined through ultraviolet airglow observations of the 1216 Å Lyman  $\alpha$  line of atomic hydrogen and the 584 Å line of atomic helium [e.g., Hunten, 1969; Wallace and Hunten, 1973; Broadfoot *et al.*, 1981; Ben Jaffel *et al.*, 1988; McConnell *et al.*, 1981; Vervack *et al.*, 1995; Gladstone *et al.*, 1995, 1996; C. D. Parkinson *et al.*, Enhanced transport in the polar mesosphere of Jupiter: Evidence from Cassini UVIS helium 584 Å airglow, unpublished manuscript, 2005]. At non-auroral latitudes, Ly  $\alpha$  emission results predominantly from resonant scattering of solar photons. Methane is the primary absorber at Ly  $\alpha$ ; the larger the value of  $K_h$ , the more CH<sub>4</sub> that is mixed to high altitudes, and the weaker the resulting H emission. Conversely, 584 Å photons are absorbed predominantly by molecular hydrogen. The higher the eddy diffusion coefficient, the more He that is mixed to high altitudes, and the stronger the He 584 Å emission. Inferences from the Ly  $\alpha$  airglow are complicated by the observed spatial inhomogeneities across the planet (e.g., the Ly  $\alpha$  bulge) and by uncertainties in the contribution from “hot” hydrogen and auroral-produced hydrogen. Therefore the helium observations are preferred for inferences about  $K_h$ . From an analysis of the Voyager UVS He

584 Å emission data, *Vervack et al.* [1995] conclude that  $K_h$  is  $2_{-1}^{+2} \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

[27] The various observational constraints are shown in Figure 7. Note that quotes of  $K_h$  in the literature are not helpful without (1) information about the assumed density-temperature structure of the atmosphere, (2) information about the assumed slope or shape of the  $K$  profile, and (3) information about the adopted expression(s) for the molecular diffusion coefficient(s). This information is seldom provided in the published reports. Specific information about the inferred distribution of  $\text{CH}_4$  with pressure or the inferred He brightness is more useful to photochemical modelers than quotes of  $K_h$  because quotes that are quite different may actually be consistent with each other (and the converse is true) depending on the adopted assumptions [see *Moses et al.*, 2000a]. Differences in the assumed atmospheric temperature structure have had the most critical effect on inferences about the location of the methane homopause on Jupiter. For instance, all the values for  $K_h$  in Figure 7 except the helium results of *Vervack et al.* [1995] should line up along the dot-dashed curve that represents the  $\text{CH}_4$  molecular diffusion coefficient. The wide scatter in pressure for the various observational constraints is caused by widely different assumptions about the temperature-pressure profile. Because of uncertainties in Jupiter's "average" thermal structure, both  $K_h$  and the pressure level of the methane homopause remain uncertain.

[28] We have developed three standard models that have different  $K$  profiles. All three models predict lower-stratospheric  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  abundances that are consistent with observations of the  $\nu_5$  band and  $\nu_9$  band emission, respectively. The main differences between the three are the magnitude of the eddy diffusion coefficient in the upper stratosphere and the rate coefficients of a few key reactions. "Model A" was designed to have a  $\text{CH}_4$  profile consistent with the UVS analysis of *Yelle et al.* [1996] and with the ISO-SWS  $\text{CH}_4$   $\nu_3$  fluorescence data of *Drossart et al.* [1999]. However, Model A results in a predicted He 584 Å brightness that is  $\sim 2$ – $3$  times greater than was observed with either the Voyager UVS instrument or the EUVE satellite (see section 5.3), so we have also created a "Model B" that has the same chemistry as Model A but that has a different  $K$  profile. Model B is more consistent with the observed He 584 Å brightness and is still marginally consistent with the ISO  $\nu_3$  fluorescence results. However, the Model B  $\text{CH}_4$  profile appears to be inconsistent with the *Yelle et al.* [1996] analysis of the UVS occultation results. We were unable to come up with a model that fits both the He 584 Å emission data and the Voyager UVS occultation results of *Yelle et al.* [1996]. Because the rate coefficients used in Models A and B (see Tables S2 and S3) lead to an underprediction of the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  abundance at high altitudes, as indicated by the ISO data, we have also developed a "Model C" that has different chemistry from that of Models A and B. Certain rate coefficients in Model C have been altered to maximize the net production of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  in the upper stratosphere (see Table 1), and Model C has a homopause level consistent with the He 584 Å emission data. These three  $K$  profiles are shown in Figure 7, along with the preferred  $K$  profile from *Gladstone et al.* [1996].

[29] For Model A, we use

$$K = 8.0 \times 10^6 (1.7 \times 10^{-4}/p)^{0.3}$$

$$\text{for } p < 8.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mbar}$$

$$K = 1.5 \times 10^6 (1/p)^{1.061184}$$

$$\text{for } 8.0 \times 10^{-2} \leq p < 1 \text{ mbar}$$

$$K = 1.5 \times 10^4 (1/p)^{0.55}$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq p < 316 \text{ mbar}$$

for  $K$  in  $\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $p$  in mbar. For Model B, we use

$$K = 4.05746 \times 10^5 (2 \times 10^{-2}/p)^{0.45}$$

$$\text{for } p < 2.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mbar}$$

$$K = 1.2 \times 10^4 (1/p)^{0.9}$$

$$\text{for } 2.0 \times 10^{-2} \leq p < 1 \text{ mbar}$$

$$K = 1.2 \times 10^4 (1/p)^{0.56}$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq p < 316 \text{ mbar}$$

for  $K$  in  $\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $p$  in mbar. For Model C, we use

$$K = 4.5 \times 10^5 (1 \times 10^{-2}/p)^{0.4}$$

$$\text{for } p < 1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mbar}$$

$$K = 4.5 \times 10^5 (1 \times 10^{-2}/p)^{0.76}$$

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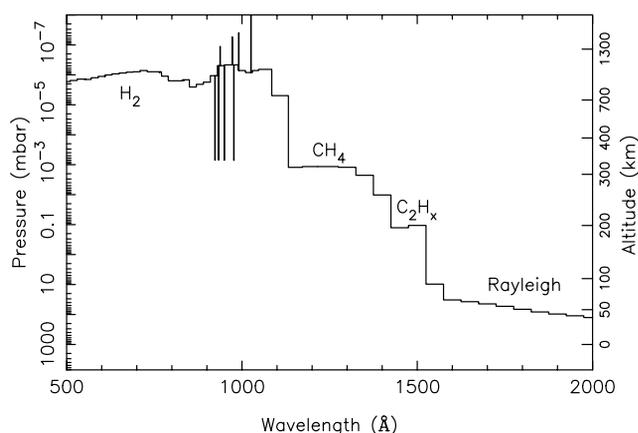
$$K = 1.358978 \times 10^4 (1/p)^{0.52}$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq p < 316 \text{ mbar}$$

for  $K$  in  $\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $p$  in mbar. At  $p \geq 316$  mbar, the model results are not sensitive to  $K$ , and all models use a profile that is consistent with that derived by *Edgington et al.* [1998].

#### 4. Photochemical Model Results

[30] The photolysis rates for many of the observed molecules in our model Jovian stratosphere are given in auxiliary material Table S2, and the depth of penetration of solar radiation as a function of wavelength is shown in Figure 8. Hydrocarbon photochemistry is initiated by the photolysis of methane in the  $10^{-4}$  to  $10^{-2}$  mbar region. Because the methane column abundance is large in the Jovian stratosphere, hydrocarbon photochemistry is limited by the availability of photons rather than by the abundance of methane, and Ly  $\alpha$  and other short-wavelength radiation is efficiently absorbed in the upper stratosphere (see Figure 8 and Table S2). In the middle and lower stratosphere, the photolysis of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  at  $\sim 1400$ – $1900$  Å



**Figure 8.** The depth of penetration of solar radiation as a function of wavelength in Jupiter's stratosphere. The solid curve represents the pressure level at which the total optical depth (scattering plus absorption) is unity in our Model A (30° latitude at equinox). Molecular hydrogen dominates the absorption at wavelengths less than ~1110 Å (except in a few microwindows that are coincident with solar emission lines), CH<sub>4</sub> absorption dominates in the 1110–1450 Å wavelength region, and ethane and acetylene dominate in the 1450–1550 Å wavelength region. Rayleigh scattering dominates the extinction at wavelengths greater than 1550 Å. Molecules like C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H, and CO also contribute to the opacity at wavelengths greater than 1500 Å.

leads to photosensitized dissociation of CH<sub>4</sub> [e.g., Allen *et al.*, 1980] and to additional hydrocarbon production and loss mechanisms.

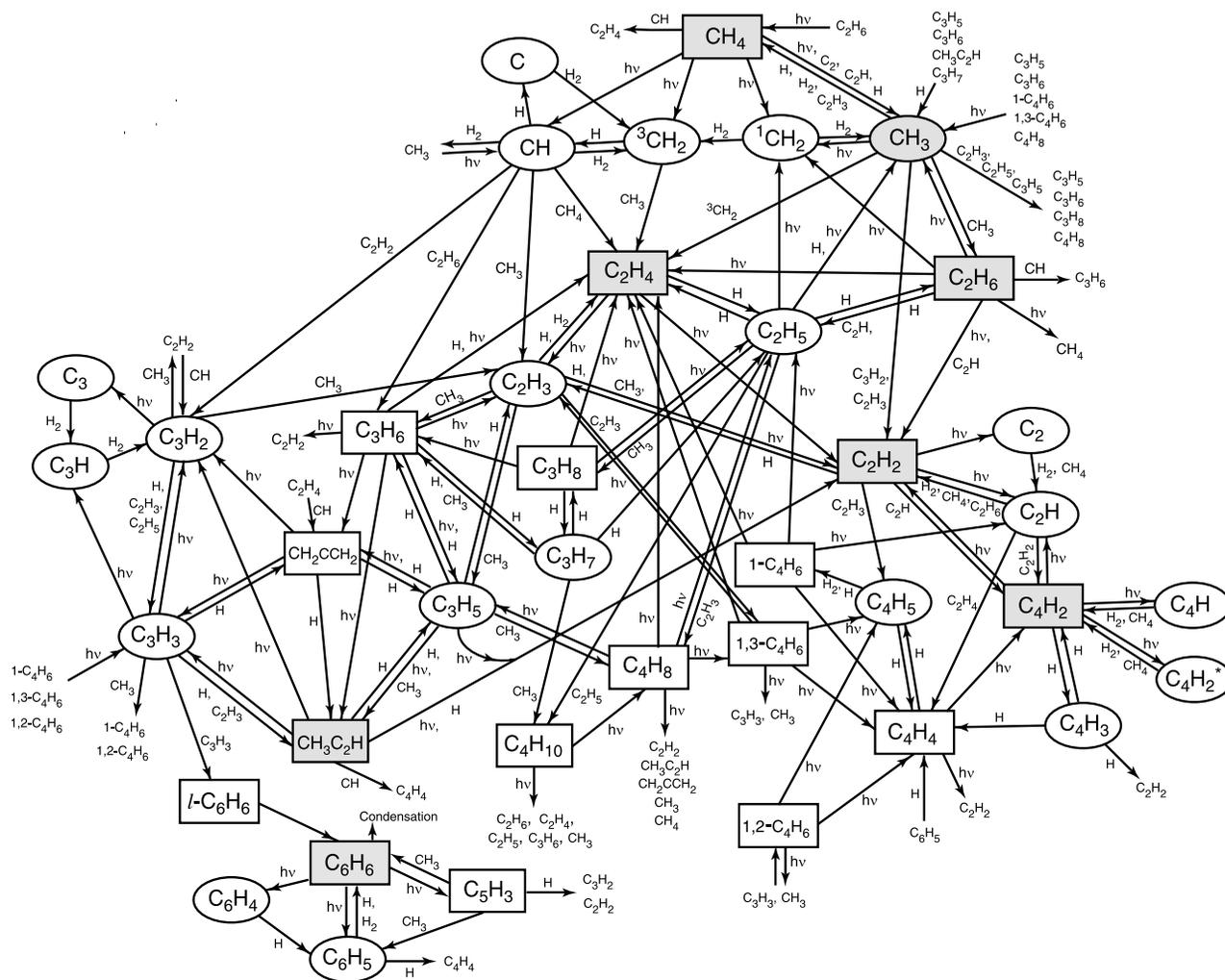
#### 4.1. Hydrocarbon Photochemistry

[31] Figure 9 displays the important reaction pathways for synthesizing and destroying hydrocarbons in our model. The major pathways for producing C<sub>2</sub> and higher-order hydrocarbons in Jupiter's stratosphere are similar to those in Saturn's, and the reader is referred to Moses *et al.* [2000a] for a more thorough discussion of the relevant photochemical schemes. Differences in stratospheric composition between Jupiter and Saturn are caused by Jupiter's smaller heliocentric distance (which leads to greater photolysis rates and greater H-atom production rates), Jupiter's greater stratospheric temperatures (which can allow some temperature-sensitive reactions such as R328 to become effective), and Jupiter's less vigorous upper stratospheric eddy mixing (which can affect the efficiency of CH<sub>4</sub> recycling schemes). Differences in auroral energy input probably also play a role, provided that transport of species produced by auroral chemistry can influence atmospheric composition on a global basis. The effect of auroral chemistry (not included in our models) on the global composition of Jupiter is currently poorly understood [see Wong *et al.*, 2000, 2003; Friedson *et al.*, 2002]; if auroral chemistry is found to influence abundances at latitudes other than the auroral regions, multidimensional models will be needed to track these compositional changes.

[32] Methane photolysis results in the production of the short-lived radicals CH, <sup>3</sup>CH<sub>2</sub>, <sup>1</sup>CH<sub>2</sub>, and CH<sub>3</sub>, with pathways producing the latter two radicals being the most

important at Ly α [e.g., J. H. Wang *et al.*, 2000]. Complex hydrocarbons are then formed largely through CH insertion reactions (e.g., R245, R251, R247, R249, R244, R254) and through radical-radical combination reactions (e.g., R287, R291, R299, R293, R295, R333, R296, R351), with C<sub>2</sub>H and other radical insertion reactions (e.g., R316, R319, R290, R271, R266) also being important. Photodissociation (e.g., R20, R21, R37, R27, R32, R41, R68, R50, R64), cracking by atomic hydrogen (e.g., R195, R212, R209, R215, R203, R220), and disproportionation reactions (e.g., R294, R337) are the main mechanisms for destroying carbon-carbon bonds. Exchange and recycling reactions are prevalent and control the steady-state abundances of the major C, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub> hydrocarbons in the model. Of all the methane destroyed by photolysis and other reactions in our Model A, ~49% is recycled, ~51% is permanently converted to higher-order hydrocarbons C<sub>n</sub>, with n ≥ 3. The corresponding values for Model B are ~59% of the methane is recycled, ~41% is converted to C<sub>2</sub> hydrocarbons, and <<1% is converted to C<sub>n</sub> hydrocarbons. The values for Model C are ~47% of the methane is recycled, ~53% is converted to C<sub>2</sub> hydrocarbons, and <<1% is converted to C<sub>n</sub> hydrocarbons. Note that the efficiency of CH<sub>4</sub> recycling versus the production of higher-order hydrocarbons depends on the pressure level at which the methane homopause is located. For a fixed reaction list, a methane homopause level at greater pressures leads to more efficient recycling of methane and less efficient production of C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>, and C<sub>n</sub> hydrocarbons. The altitude profiles for the rates of the most important stratospheric reactions producing, destroying, and exchanging C, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, and C<sub>4</sub> hydrocarbons in Model A are shown in Figures 10, 11, 12, and 13.

[33] The volume mixing ratios of the major atmospheric constituents in our models are shown in Figure 14. The mixing ratios of all the model constituents are given in auxiliary material Table S4. Ethane, the most abundant product of methane photolysis on Jupiter, is produced predominantly from methyl-methyl recombination (R287: 2 CH<sub>3</sub> + M → C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> + M). This reaction occurs throughout the stratosphere, with methane photolysis being responsible for the CH<sub>3</sub> production in the upper stratosphere and photosensitized CH<sub>4</sub> destruction via C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> photolysis contributing in the middle and lower stratosphere [see Allen *et al.*, 1980; Gladstone *et al.*, 1996; Moses *et al.*, 2000a]. Sequential addition of H atoms to unsaturated hydrocarbons, terminating with reactions R195 (H + C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> → 2 CH<sub>3</sub>) and R287, helps produce and maintain C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> in the middle and lower stratosphere. Ethane is destroyed largely by photolysis, with a smaller contribution from CH insertion to form C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (reaction R251) and reaction with C<sub>2</sub>H to form C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> (reaction R323). Because the ultraviolet absorption cross sections for ethane drop sharply at wavelengths greater than 1600 Å, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> is shielded from photolysis to a large extent by the more abundant CH<sub>4</sub> molecules. In fact, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> loss processes are relatively inefficient in the Jovian stratosphere; ethane therefore has a long photochemical lifetime, and transport effects are important. The C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> molecules flow to the stagnant lower stratosphere and are removed mainly by diffusion through the lower boundary of our model.



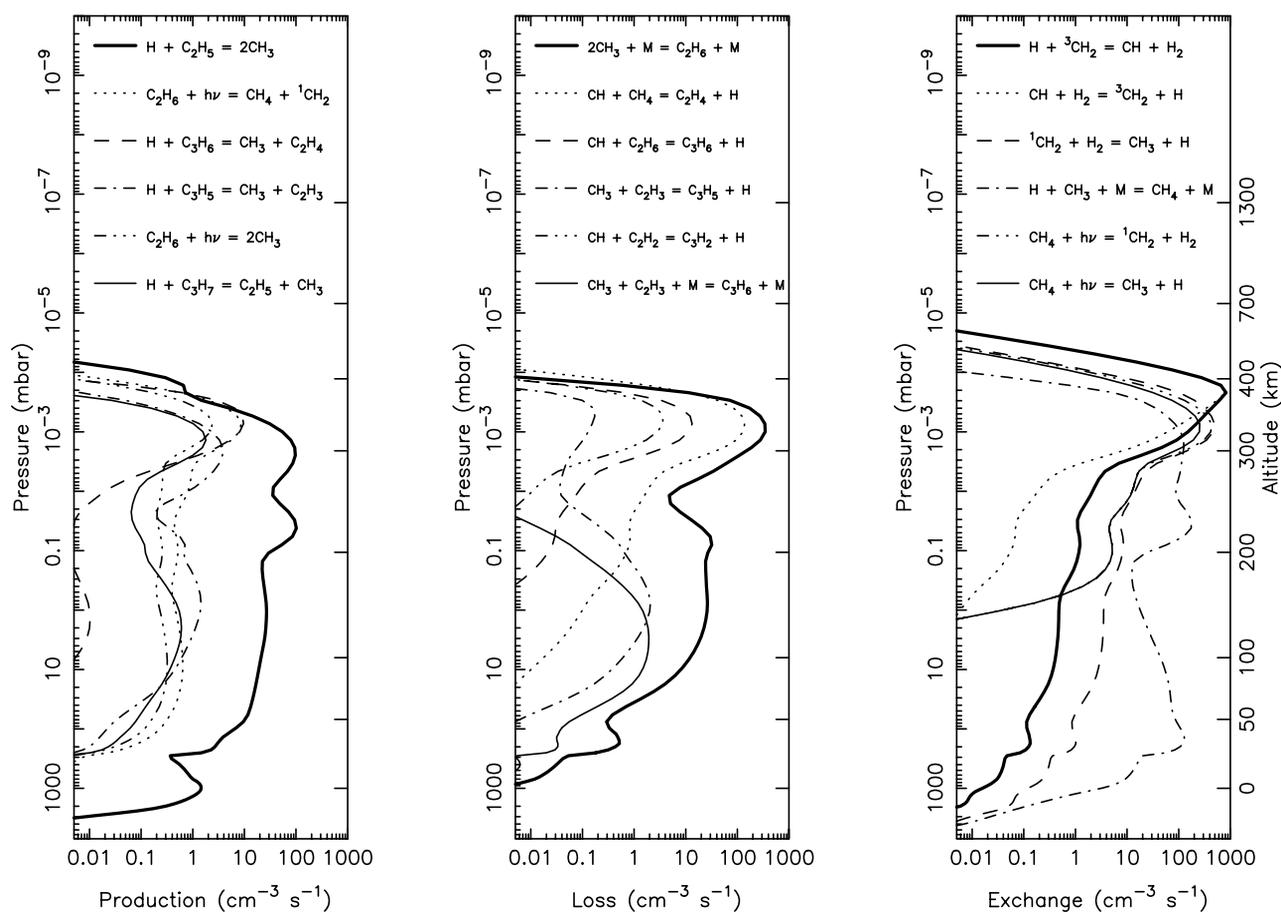
**Figure 9.** A schematic diagram illustrating the important reaction pathways for forming complex hydrocarbons in our “Model A” Jovian stratosphere (modified from Moses *et al.* [2004] (reprinted with permission) and Moses *et al.* [2000a]). The symbol  $h\nu$  corresponds to an ultraviolet photon, rectangles indicate stable molecules, and ovals indicate radicals. Shaded rectangles or ovals represent species that have been definitively identified in Jupiter’s upper atmosphere.

[34] Ethylene is produced in the upper stratosphere through CH insertion into methane (reaction R245:  $\text{CH} + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{H}$ ). In the middle and lower stratosphere for Models A and B and the lower stratosphere for Model C,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  forms predominantly from the addition of H atoms with vinyl radicals (R192:  $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{M}$ ), with an additional contribution from ethane photolysis. In Model C, reaction R328 ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3 + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{H}$ ) dominates  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  production in the 0.2–30 mbar region and is responsible for 37% of the total stratospheric production rate of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ . That contrasts with the situation in Models A and B, in which R328 accounts for only  $\sim 2\%$  of the total column production of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  in the stratosphere. Three-body addition of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  with atomic H (R194) and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  photolysis are responsible for most of the ethylene loss in the stratosphere. The  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  mixing ratio peaks in the upper stratosphere near  $\sim 10^{-3}$  mbar because the dominant primary (i.e., non-recycling) production mechanism, R245, occurs preferentially in the methane photolysis region, because non-recycling production mechanisms are not very

effective in the middle and lower stratosphere, and because permanent removal from the conversion of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  to  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  and  $\text{CH}_4$  occurs more effectively at the higher pressures found in the lower stratosphere.

[35] Acetylene is produced from the photolysis of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  throughout the Jovian stratosphere and is lost through photolysis and three-body addition with H atoms. Unlike the situation for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ , however,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  is recycled relatively efficiently in the middle and lower stratosphere due to reactions of the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  photolysis products with  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_4$  (e.g., R313, R314) and due to reaction R191 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 + \text{H}_2$ ).

[36] The photochemistry of  $\text{C}_3$  hydrocarbons at relevant Jovian stratospheric temperatures and pressures is less well understood than that of  $\text{C}_2$  hydrocarbons. Laboratory data and theoretical investigations are relatively sparse in the published literature. Propane ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ) is predicted to be the most abundant  $\text{C}_3$  hydrocarbon because it, like the other alkanes, is relatively stable in the hydrogen-dominated atmosphere and because it is better shielded from photolysis



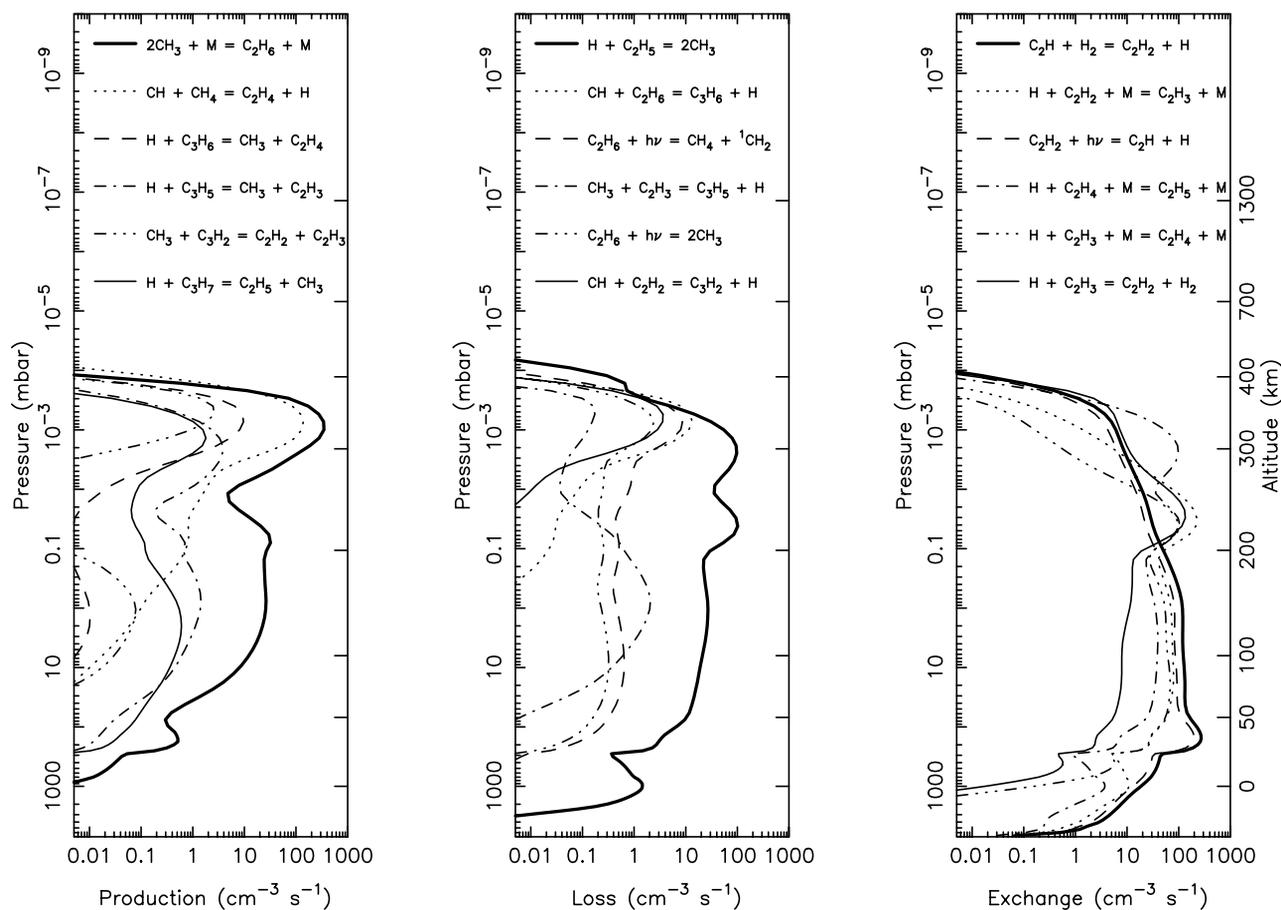
**Figure 10.** The reaction-rate profiles for the six most important reactions leading to the (left) production, (middle) loss, and (right) exchange of C<sub>1</sub> compounds in Model A. The reactions are listed in order of decreasing column rate in the stratosphere.

than are some of the unsaturated C<sub>3</sub> compounds. In our photochemical model, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> is produced from the sequential addition of H atoms with unsaturated hydrocarbons (e.g., R213: H + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub> + M → C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> + M, followed by R216: H + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> + M → C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> + M) and from methyl-ethyl combination (R293: CH<sub>3</sub> + C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> + M → C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> + M). Propane is lost predominantly by photolysis. In our model, methylacetylene (CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H) is produced mainly from the interconversion of other C<sub>3</sub> species rather than from direct production by C and C<sub>2</sub> hydrocarbons (see Figures 9 and 12, and the discussion of Moses *et al.* [2000a]). The three main reactions producing CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H in our model stratospheres are R207 (H + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub> → CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H + H<sub>2</sub>), R205 (H + CH<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub> → CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H + H), and R200 (H + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub> → CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H + M). Methylacetylene is lost through addition with atomic H (R204) and through photolysis. As with other unsaturated molecules in the model, the CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H abundance is critically dependent on the atomic hydrogen abundance, and recycling reactions allow CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H to survive longer than its photolysis rate would indicate.

[37] Diacetylene (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub>) has been detected in the Jovian auroral regions by Cassini CIRS [Kunde *et al.*, 2004] but was not seen in ISO spectra from middle and lower latitudes [e.g., Fouchet *et al.*, 2000b]. Reaction of H with C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (R221) is the dominant production mechanism; however, because the C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub> derives mostly from C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub> in the first

place, this reaction is not considered a primary production mechanism. Photolysis of acetylene and the subsequent reaction of C<sub>2</sub>H with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> (R316) is the dominant primary (non-recycling) formation mechanism for diacetylene. Loss occurs through H-atom addition to form C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and through photolysis. Recycling of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub> occurs in the middle and lower stratosphere through reactions R221, R47, and R356. Butane, the most abundant C<sub>4</sub> hydrocarbon in our model, is produced through reaction R303 (CH<sub>3</sub> + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> + M → C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> + M) and reaction R345 (2 C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> + M → C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> + M) and is lost via photolysis.

[38] The production and loss mechanisms for benzene (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>) are uncertain for conditions relevant to outer-planetary atmospheres (see the full discussion by Wilson *et al.* [2003] and Lebonnois [2005]). Reaction of acetylene with C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub> to form benzene and hydrogen atoms (R383) will be ineffective at typical Jovian stratospheric temperatures [see Westmoreland *et al.*, 1989; Wilson *et al.*, 2003]. The addition of acetylene with C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub> to form phenyl radicals (R381), a potential first step in benzene formation, is also likely to have a large energy barrier [e.g., Westmoreland *et al.*, 1989] that makes the reaction unimportant at Jovian temperatures. Propargyl-radical recombination (R351: C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub> + C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub> + M → *l*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> + M) is relatively fast [e.g., Fahr and Nayak, 2000; Atkinson and Hudgens, 1999; Morter *et al.*, 1994; Alkemade and Homann, 1989], but



**Figure 11.** The reaction-rate profiles for the six most important reactions leading to the (left) production, (middle) loss, and (right) exchange of  $C_2$  compounds in Model A. The reactions are listed in order of decreasing column rate in the stratosphere.

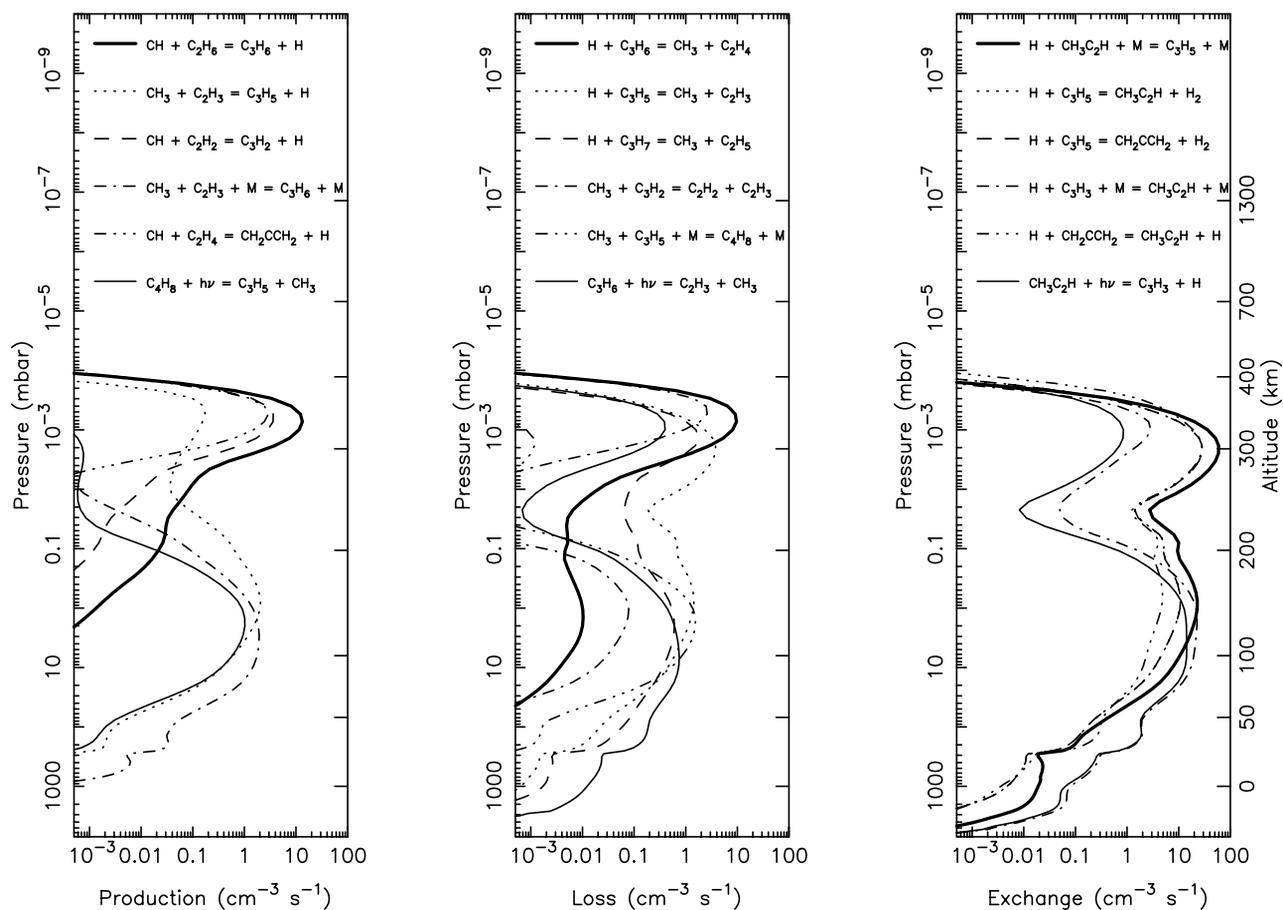
the reaction preferentially forms linear  $C_6H_6$  isomers at laboratory pressures and temperatures of 67 mbar and 295 K [Fahr and Nayak, 2000]. However, a recent experimental study by Howe and Fahr [2003] demonstrates that the relative yields of different  $C_6H_6$  isomers exhibit significant pressure and temperature dependencies. Benzene was observed to form preferentially at low pressures. For our model, we assume that R351 produces an unidentified linear  $C_6H_6$  molecule, but that the  $l$ - $C_6H_6$  molecules then quickly isomerize to form benzene (R395:  $l$ - $C_6H_6 \rightarrow C_6H_6$ ), with a unimolecular rate constant of  $10^3 s^{-1}$ . Therefore  $C_3H_3$  recombination (R351) followed by isomerization of  $l$ - $C_6H_6$  to benzene (R395) is the dominant mechanism for producing benzene in our simulated Jovian stratosphere.

[39] Photolysis to form phenyl + H (R89) or  $C_6H_4 + H_2$  (R90) are the dominant mechanisms that destroy benzene, but the photolysis products can react with  $H_2$  and H to reform benzene. Recycling is not perfectly efficient, however, and some of the subsequent  $C_6H_4$  and  $C_6H_5$  reactions act to produce  $C_2$  and  $C_4$  hydrocarbons. As is discussed in section 2, we assume that benzene photolysis has a pressure dependence such that photoexcited “hot” benzene can be collisionally stabilized before being dissociated at the higher pressures found in the Jovian middle and lower stratosphere. In addition, benzene recycling is less efficient in

the upper stratosphere. Benzene therefore has a peak concentration (at non-auroral latitudes) that is found lower in the stratosphere than is the case for most of the other hydrocarbons. At auroral latitudes, however, benzene is likely formed through ion chemistry initiated by the precipitation of auroral electrons [e.g., Wong et al., 2000, 2003; Friedson et al., 2002], and its peak concentration may be located in the upper stratosphere, where the precipitating electrons deposit the bulk of their energy.

#### 4.2. Oxygen Photochemistry

[40] We add oxygen photochemistry to the model because it has a slight influence on the abundance of unsaturated hydrocarbons; the relevant reactions are taken from Moses et al. [2000b]. The external oxygen is assumed to derive from ablated micrometeoroids and is assumed to be released in the upper atmosphere in the form of CO,  $H_2O$ , and  $CO_2$  (see section 2 and Moses et al. [2000b]). Unlike the situation for Saturn, the influx of water itself seems to be a minor component of the total oxygen influx on Jupiter [cf. Lellouch et al., 2002; Bézard et al., 2002a; Moses et al., 2000b], and we assume the  $H_2O$  influx rate is much smaller than the CO influx rate. Although we cannot rule out a chemical difference that takes place during ablation, it seems likely that cometary impacts (including SL9) domi-



**Figure 12.** The reaction-rate profiles for the six most important reactions leading to the (left) production, (middle) loss, and (right) exchange of C<sub>3</sub> compounds in Model A. The reactions are listed in order of decreasing column rate in the stratosphere.

nate the delivery of oxygen compounds to Jupiter, whereas ring-derived material may play an important role on Saturn [Bézard *et al.*, 2002a; Lellouch *et al.*, 2002].

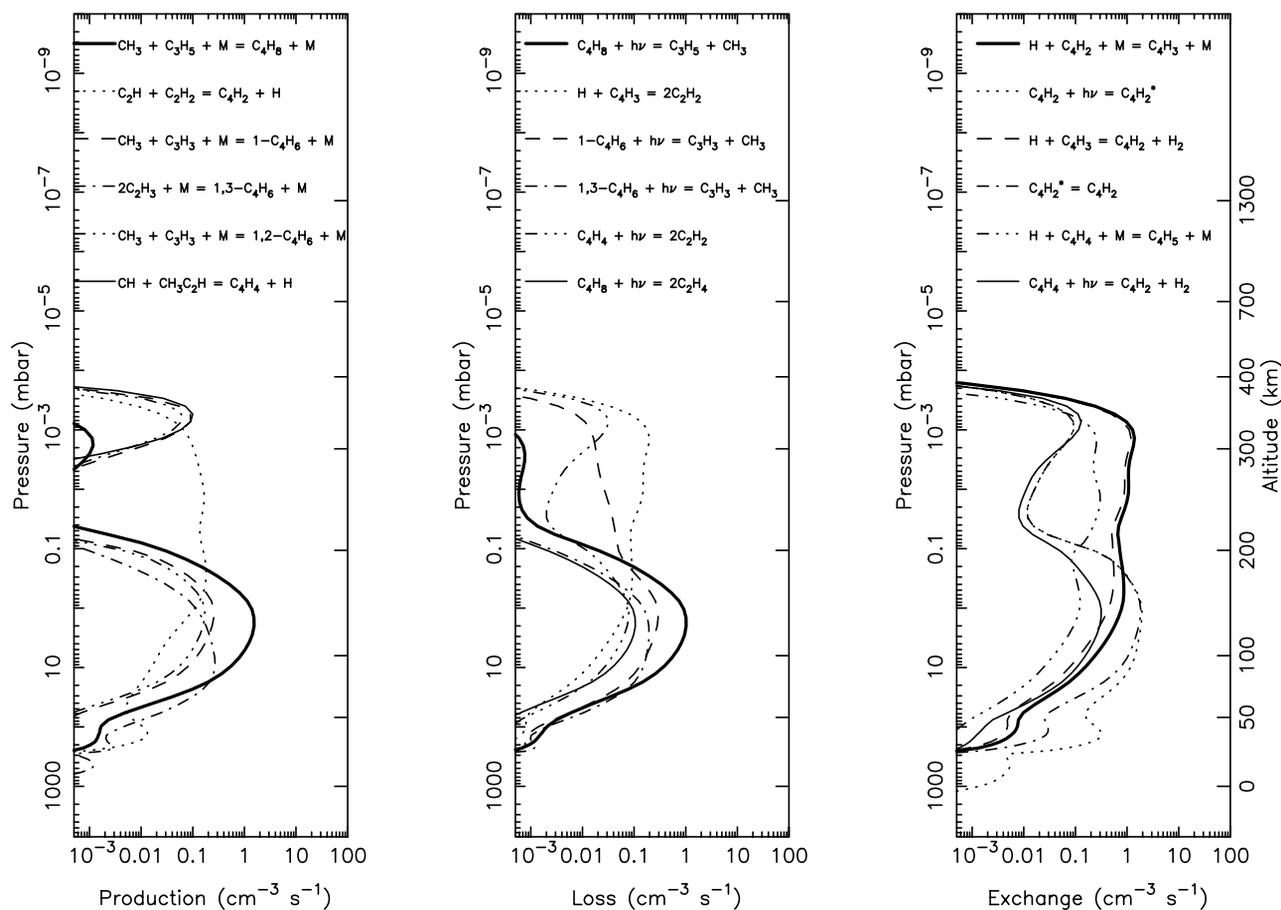
[41] Water vapor is lost by photolysis above and by condensation below  $\sim 10$  mbar. The photolysis lifetime for H<sub>2</sub>O is  $\sim 2$  months at the top of the atmosphere but increases to  $\sim 5$  months at 1 mbar due to shielding by CH<sub>4</sub> and other hydrocarbons. The primary photolysis products are OH + H (R104). The OH reacts with H<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and CH<sub>4</sub> to efficiently recycle the water, and the effective lifetime of H<sub>2</sub>O is therefore much greater than its photolysis rate would indicate. Less than 1% of the total column loss of OH in the stratosphere goes to permanently converting the H<sub>2</sub>O to CO through three-body addition reactions of OH with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> or C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, followed by reactions that eventually produce CO [see Moses *et al.*, 2000b].

[42] Meteoritic carbon dioxide is assumed to be introduced directly into the upper atmosphere in our model. About 12% (Model C) to 15% (Model A) of the total column production rate of CO<sub>2</sub> in the stratosphere is due to the reaction of OH with CO (R463). Note that we are not specifically modeling the Shoemaker-Levy 9 impact debris here. Most of the CO<sub>2</sub> produced from photochemistry of the impact debris is expected to derive from reaction R463, with the OH produced from photolysis of comet-derived H<sub>2</sub>O reacting with the abundant CO produced during the

plume splashback phase of the impacts [Lellouch *et al.*, 2002; Moses, 1996]. CO<sub>2</sub> is lost primarily by photolysis.

[43] Through high-resolution observations of a CO band near 4.7  $\mu\text{m}$ , Bézard *et al.* [2002a] have determined that external sources aside from SL9 have provided a CO column of  $4^{+3}_{-2} \times 10^{16}$  molecules cm<sup>-2</sup> on Jupiter. An internal CO source is also required to account for the  $\sim 1$  ppb mixing ratio in the troposphere; however, the mixing ratio is observed to increase from the troposphere to the stratosphere due to the external source. CO is extremely stable on the giant planets. Photolysis is ineffective due to shielding by H<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub>. Chemical loss processes are also inefficient due to the strong carbon-oxygen bond. Three-body addition of CO with H to form HCO and reaction of CO with OH to form CO<sub>2</sub> + H both occur in our model, but in both cases, CO is efficiently recycled by subsequent reactions. Diffusion is primarily responsible for removing CO from the stratosphere. With our eddy diffusion coefficient profiles, the models generate a CO column of  $4 \times 10^{16}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> above the 100 mbar level for external CO influx rates of  $4 \times 10^6$  molecules cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>.

[44] Small amounts of other oxygen species are produced through the photolysis and subsequent reaction of meteoritic CO, H<sub>2</sub>O, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Moderate, but currently unobservable, amounts of HCO, H<sub>2</sub>CO, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, H<sub>2</sub>CCO, and CH<sub>3</sub>CHO are produced in the Jovian stratosphere (see Moses *et al.*



**Figure 13.** The reaction-rate profiles for the six most important reactions leading to the (left) production, (middle) loss, and (right) exchange of  $C_4$  compounds in Model A. The reactions are listed in order of decreasing column rate in the stratosphere.

[2000b] for details on the production and loss of these species).

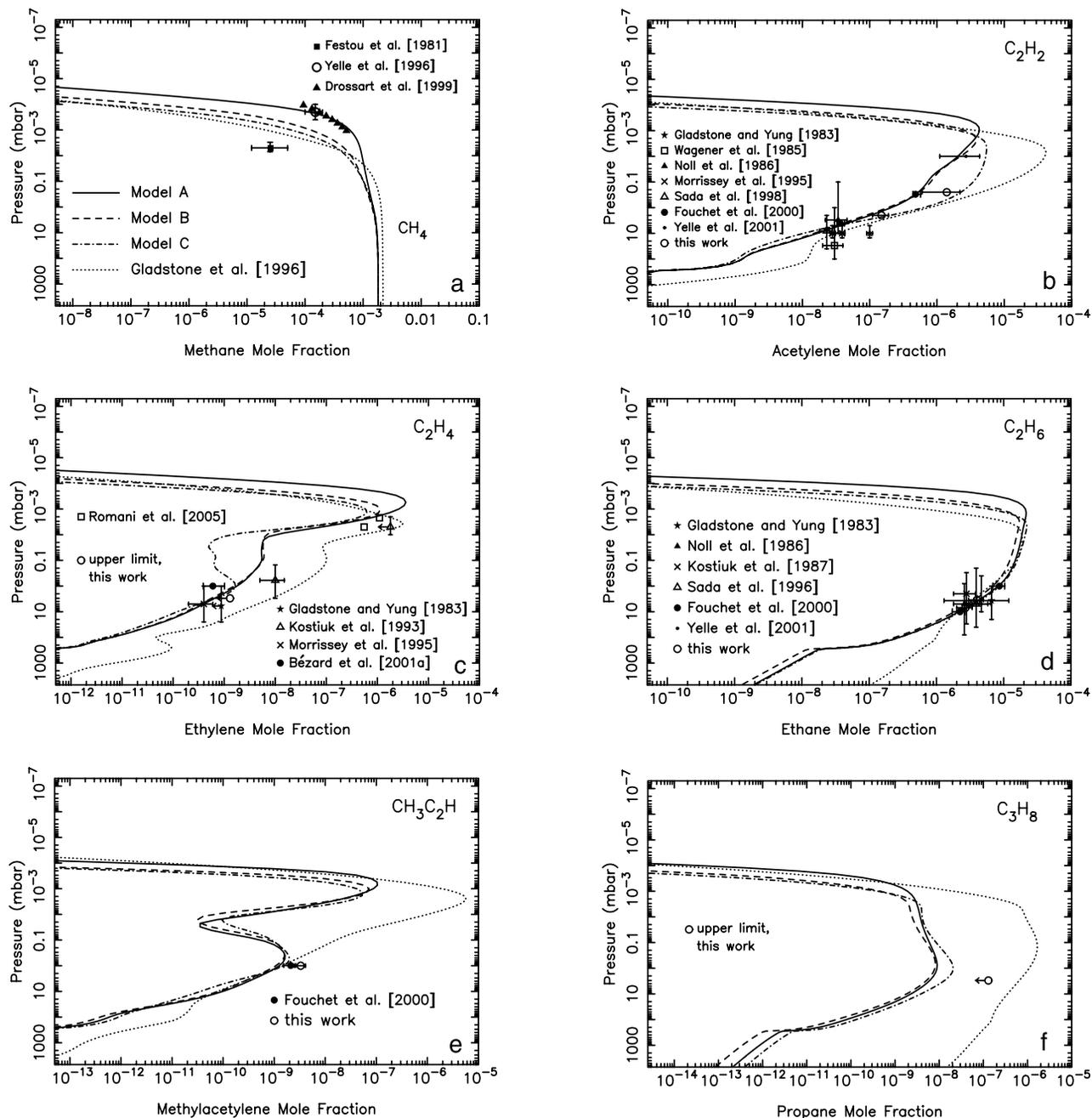
[45] Our models are designed to represent rough global averages, whereas observations of  $H_2O$  and/or  $CO_2$  by the Submillimeter Wave Astronomy Satellite (SWAS), by ISO, and by Cassini/CIRS demonstrate that the distribution of these species is complicated;  $CO_2$  is very inhomogeneous across Jupiter (more prevalent in the southern hemisphere), and  $H_2O$  is likely confined to pressures less than a few tenths of a mbar and may be globally inhomogeneous as well [e.g., *Bergin et al.*, 2000; *Lellouch et al.*, 2002; *Kunde et al.*, 2004]. Therefore global-average and 1-D models of oxygen compounds are not very meaningful for Jupiter in the post-SL9 era. *Lellouch et al.* [2002] provide model-data comparisons that suggest that  $H_2O$  and  $CO_2$  originate from the deposition of oxygen compounds during the plume splashback phase of the 1994 Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 impacts and that the current distribution of both these species is controlled by a combination of atmospheric transport and photochemistry. However, the  $CO_2$  distribution predicted by *Lellouch et al.* does not resemble in detail the distribution determined by the high-spatial-resolution  $CO_2$  spectra acquired by CIRS during the Cassini flyby [*Kunde et al.*, 2004]; the CIRS observations show that  $CO_2$  is confined to very high southern latitudes. *Kunde et al.* [2004] suggest that either some kind of auroral oxygen input interacting with SL9 debris is responsible for the

unusual distribution, or that stratospheric transport processes are controlling the distribution. *Lellouch et al.* [2005] favor the latter scenario.

#### 4.3. Sensitivity to $K$ Profile

[46] As is discussed in section 3, the eddy diffusion coefficient profile in Jupiter's stratosphere is not well constrained.  $K_h$ , the value of the eddy diffusion coefficient at the methane homopause, is particularly uncertain, with the results from the Voyager and EUVE He 584 Å emission data and those from the UVS occultation data appearing mutually inconsistent. Additional observations or a reanalysis of existing observations (e.g., the Voyager UVS occultation data with Galileo probe temperature constraints in mind) are required before this discrepancy can be resolved. Alternatively, the methane homopause level may be highly variable with location across the planet; the UVS occultation data sample a discrete region of the planet at a single time, whereas the He 584 Å emission data span a wide range of years and have varying spatial resolution.

[47] *Gladstone et al.* [1996] [see also *Moses et al.*, 2000a; *Summers and Strobel*, 1989; *Romani and Atreya*, 1988] have performed general sensitivity studies to illustrate how hydrocarbon mixing ratios change with such factors as the overall magnitude of  $K_h$ , the slope of the eddy diffusion coefficient, and the tropospheric eddy diffusion coefficient. We will not repeat those sensitivity studies here. Instead, we



**Figure 14.** The volume mixing ratios of (a) CH<sub>4</sub>, (b) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, (c) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, (d) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, (e) CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H, (f) C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>, (g) C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, (h) C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>, (i) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, (j) CH<sub>3</sub>, (k) H<sub>2</sub>O, (l) CO, (m) CO<sub>2</sub>, and (n) H and He in our models are shown as a function of pressure and are compared with various observations. The results from Model A (solid line), Model B (dashed line), and Model C (dot-dashed line) are plotted along with the results from Gladstone et al. [1996] (dotted line). The data points with associated error bars represent observational measurements, as labeled.

show in Figure 15 how the mixing ratio profile of the long-lived C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> molecule changes for a few specific assumptions about the  $K$  profile. For these tests, we use the same chemical reaction list and the same altitude-pressure-temperature grid; only the  $K$  profile is changed. Figure 15 shows how our Models A and B compare with models developed using the  $K$  profile expressions of Gladstone et al. [1996] and Young et al. [2005]; note that the high-altitude discrepancy between the exact Gladstone et al.  $K$

profile shown in Figure 7 and the profile shown in Figure 15 is due to our adoption of different thermospheric temperature profiles.

[48] One apparent result from Figures 14 and 15 is that the adoption of a lower value of  $K_h$  restricts CH<sub>4</sub> and its photochemical products to high pressures (lower altitudes). The main consequence of methane being photolyzed at higher pressures is more efficient recycling of CH<sub>4</sub> via reaction R186 and a corresponding reduction in the produc-

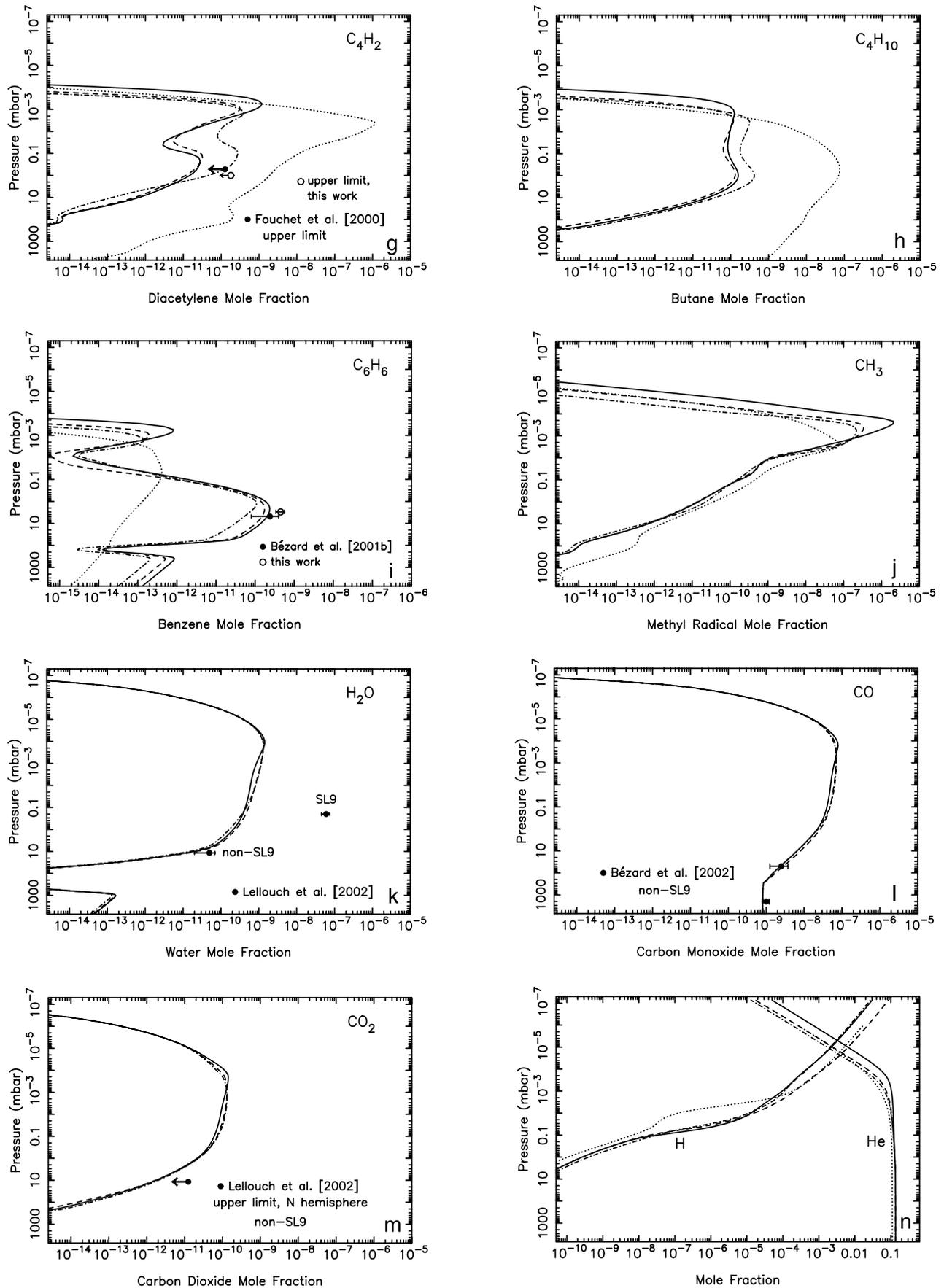
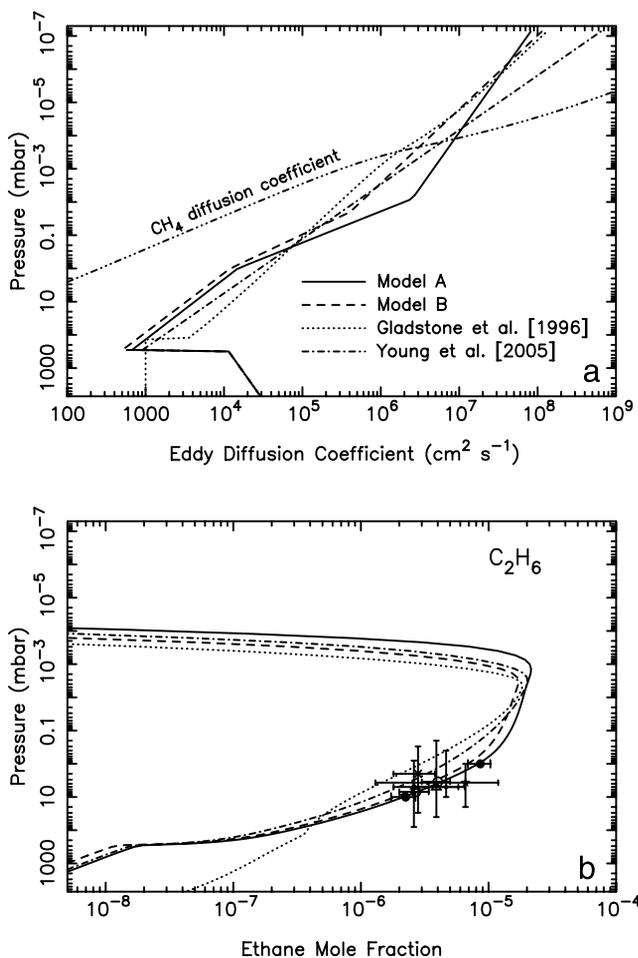


Figure 14. (continued)



**Figure 15.** The sensitivity of the  $C_2H_6$  ratio to the eddy diffusion coefficient profile for four different models that have the same chemical reaction list as Models A and B but that have different  $K$  profiles. Figure 15a shows the diffusion coefficients used in the four different models, along with the methane molecular diffusion coefficient (triple-dot-dashed line). Figure 15b shows the  $C_2H_6$  mixing ratio profiles for these four different models. In both panels, the solid line represents Model A, the dashed line represents Model B, the dotted line represents a model that uses the favored  $K$  profile from Gladstone *et al.* [1996], and the dot-dashed line represents a model that uses the  $K$  profile from Young *et al.* [2005]. Note that smaller eddy diffusion coefficients in the lower stratosphere lead to larger ethane abundances; however, the location of the methane homopause also has an effect on the ethane abundance in the lower stratosphere (compare Models A and B).

tion rate of higher-order hydrocarbons. The eddy diffusion coefficients for Model B (with its lower value of  $K_h$ ) then needed to be smaller than those for Model A in the middle and lower stratosphere in order to provide enough  $C_2H_6$  to remain consistent with the ISO observations. The Gladstone *et al.* [1996] favored expression for  $K(z)$  has a low  $K_h$  and a relatively large value of  $K$  in the lower stratosphere; this model greatly underpredicts the  $C_2H_6$  abundance in Jupiter's stratosphere using our reaction scheme. Other reaction schemes [e.g., Gladstone *et al.*, 1996; Lebonnois,

2005] are able to deliver a decent fit to  $C_2H_6$  observations using the Gladstone *et al.* [1996] eddy diffusion coefficient profile; however,  $C_2H_2$  is then overpredicted compared with observations. The model using the Young *et al.* [2005] profile, which was developed to investigate gravity waves in Jupiter's stratosphere (and to determine whether diffusive filtering theory could be used to predict eddy diffusion coefficients), has a higher value of  $K_h$ , yet the value of  $K$  in the lower stratosphere is insufficient (assuming the Model A and B chemistry is correct) to account for the amount of  $C_2H_6$  observed by ISO. We can use this result, along with comparisons with Model C, to place rough limits on the value of  $K$  in Jupiter's lower stratosphere. If our updated chemistry is correct, then  $K_{\min}$  must be less than  $1000 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $K$  must be less than  $\sim 3 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at pressures greater than 1 mbar to remain consistent with the observed  $C_2H_6$  abundance. In addition, the lower the assumed value of  $K_h$ , the smaller that  $K$  must be in the lower stratosphere to remain consistent with observations.

#### 4.4. Sensitivity to Reaction Rates

[49] Although many of the reactions in our model have been studied at room temperature or higher, information at the low temperatures relevant to the Jovian stratosphere is frequently not available. In addition, measurements are often presented only at the high-pressure limit, whereas elucidating the rate behavior at low pressures is particularly important for our stratospheric study. We now examine the sensitivity of the model results to some key reaction rate coefficients that have not been well defined at low temperatures and/or pressures.

[50] Reaction R190 ( $H + C_2H_2 + M \rightarrow C_2H_3 + M$ ) strongly affects the abundance of H atoms and consequently some of the unsaturated hydrocarbons in our model Jovian stratosphere. Many experimental data for this reaction are available in the literature for the temperature range  $\sim 200$ – $1000$  K. However, the rate coefficients, and especially the pressure-dependent behavior, are uncertain at temperatures below 200 K. Figure 3 illustrates how our adopted rate-coefficient expressions for R190 compare with the pressure- and temperature-dependent laboratory measurements of Payne and Stief [1976]. For Models A and B, we have adopted the standard expression of Baulch *et al.* [1994], which provides a reasonable but slightly low fit to the Payne and Stief [1976] data at high pressures and all temperatures in the 193–400 K range. For Model C, we have adopted an expression that provides a better fit to the data (see Figure 3). Recent theoretical calculations by Miller and Klippenstein [2004] suggest that our expression for Model C may also underestimate the rate coefficient for R190, especially at high temperatures and pressures. Although the two-dimensional master-equation calculations of Miller and Klippenstein [2004] are very useful in describing the nature of this reaction, the pressure dependence of the reaction is complicated, and their results have been cast in a form similar to our equations (1) and (2) only for pressures greater than 1 torr (1.333 mbar) and for temperatures greater than 300 K. In addition, no results relevant to Jovian stratospheric temperatures are presented at all. Their results are therefore difficult to incorporate into our model. The expressions for  $k_0$ ,  $k_\infty$ , and  $F_c$  that they provide (on their p. 1200) were not designed to be valid at low pressures and

temperatures; however, their expressions lead to rates coefficients that compare reasonably well with the *Payne and Stief* [1976] data in the pressure falloff regime at temperatures of 193–298 K.

[51] Miller and Klippenstein have recently extended the calculations of *Miller and Klippenstein* [2004] to temperatures as low as 100 K (G. P. Smith, personal communication, 2004). They find that  $k_0$  for R190 continues to increase with decreasing temperature, and their results at 165 K, a typical Jovian stratospheric temperature, provide a rate coefficient that is higher at low pressures than any of the expressions we are currently adopting in our models. We use these results (G. P. Smith, personal communication, 2004), along with the data presented by *Miller and Klippenstein* [2004] and *Payne and Stief* [1976] to derive a new “theoretical” expression for R190 that has a much higher  $k_0$  at low temperatures. The new expression is  $k_{\infty,190} = 4.216 \times 10^{-17} T^{2.158} e^{(-986/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ;  $k_{0,190} = 5.418 \times 10^{-20} T^{-4.579} e^{(-311/T)} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $T \leq 228 \text{ K}$ ;  $k_{0,190} = 1.542 \times 10^{-43} T^{4.199} e^{(1184/T)} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $T > 228 \text{ K}$ ;  $F_c = 0.21 e^{(0.0025/T)}$ .

[52] Figure 16 shows how the model results are affected by changes in the rate coefficients for R190. Note that R190 does not have much effect on  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  abundances or even on  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  abundances, but it does have a substantial effect on H atom abundances and on those species (mostly unsaturated hydrocarbons) that are strongly affected by H atom abundances. The big uncertainty in the rate coefficient for R190 is  $k_0$  and the pressure dependence of the reaction in the falloff regime. The values for  $k_{\infty}$  are better constrained. Experimental measurements of  $k_{0,190}$  at temperatures of 100–200 K are greatly needed to help constrain models of outer-planet photochemistry.

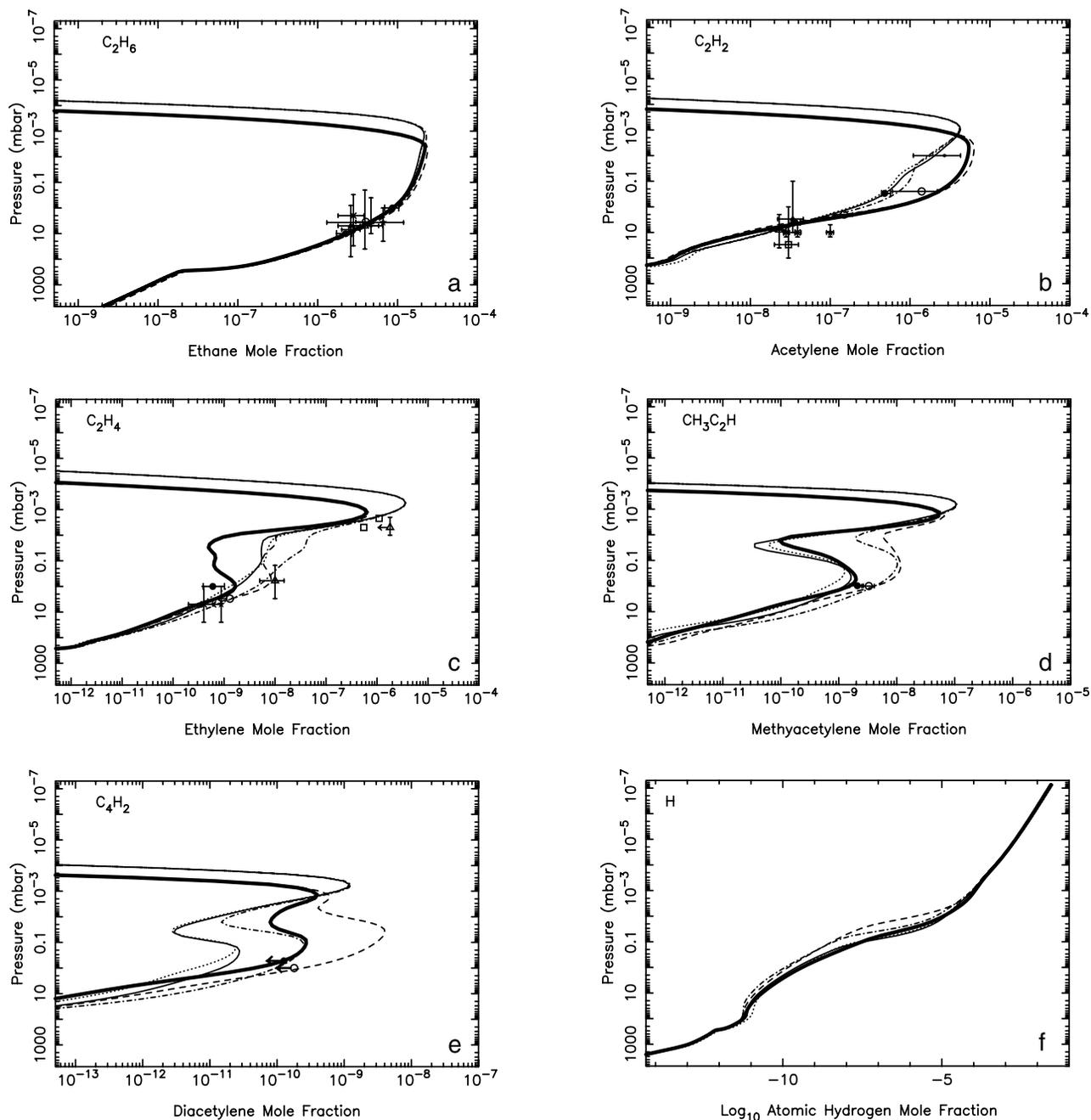
[53] Reactions R191 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 + \text{H}_2$ ) and R192 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{M}$ ) that deal with the reaction of H with vinyl radicals are of particular importance to Jovian photochemical models because their relative efficiency helps control whether unsaturated hydrocarbons like  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  or  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  can be readily converted to  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  or whether the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6/\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  ratio will remain low. Theoretical calculations by *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b] suggest that the abstraction branch (R191) dominates the total reaction such that the addition reaction (R192) accounts for  $\leq 1\%$  of the total reaction at temperatures of 100–300 K and 1 torr total pressure. If true, then an effective pathway for the conversion of ethylene and acetylene to ethane is eliminated in outer-planetary stratospheres. However, from discharge-flow kinetic experiments, *Monks et al.* [1995] derive branching ratios for the addition of H with deuterated vinyl radicals at 213 and 298 K and 1 torr that are more than an order of magnitude higher than those estimated by *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b]. Even these higher branching ratios for R192 might not be large enough to make the above mentioned conversion scheme viable. To produce a model that has a  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6/\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  ratio consistent with observations, we have assumed in Models A and B that R192 can compete with R191 at low temperatures. Our adopted expressions for R191 and R192 in Models A and B are  $k_{191} = 1.5 \times 10^{-12} T^{0.5} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 2.3 \times 10^{-24} T^{-1} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{\infty,192} = 1.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . These expressions fit the total rate for the  $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$  reaction as determined by *Monks et al.* [1995] and *Fahr* [1995];

however, the R192 branching ratio of 0.8 at 213 K, 1 torr is a factor of  $\sim 3$  larger than that determined by *Monks et al.* [1995] for  $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{D}_3$ . Our chemistry adopted for Model C is quite different from Models A and B, and R192 is not as important for keeping the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2/\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  ratio within observational constraints. Our adopted expressions for R191 and R192 in Model C have branching ratios and a total rate for R191 + R192 that are much more consistent with *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b]. However, our expressions in Model C show no pressure dependence at 213 and 298 K for pressures ranging from 1–100 torr, a conclusion that is at odds with the combined data of *Fahr* [1995] and *Monks et al.* [1995] but that is consistent with the theoretical conclusions of *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b].

[54] Figure 17 shows how different assumptions about the rate coefficients for R191 and R192 affect species abundances. The solid line represents Model A. The dot-dashed line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, but the rate coefficients are compiled from recommendations from *Monks et al.* [1995], *Fahr* [1995], and *Durán et al.* [1988]:  $k_{191} = 7.6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 5.76 \times 10^{-24} T^{-1.3} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{\infty,192} = 8.9 \times 10^{-10} e^{(-494/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The resulting R192 branching ratio for this model is 0.36 at 298 K, 1 torr and 0.35 at 213 K, 1 torr, compared with the corresponding values determined by *Monks et al.* [1995] of 0.33 and 0.24 for the addition of  $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{D}_3$ . The dashed line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, but the relative efficiency of R191 and R192 is more consistent with the predictions of *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b]. In this model,  $k_{0,192} = 1.49 \times 10^{-26} T^{-1} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{\infty,192} = 7.0 \times 10^{-11} T^{0.18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{191} = k_{\infty,192} - k_{192}[\text{M}]$ , and the R192 branching ratio is 0.015 at 213 K, 1 torr and 0.11 at 213 K, 10 torr, compared with the corresponding calculated values from *Klippenstein and Harding* [1999b] of 0.003 and 0.11. Throughout the stratospheric region of interest, R191 dominates over R192 with this model. The dotted line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except the rate coefficients for R191 and R192 are taken from *Moses et al.* [2000a]:  $k_{191} = 2.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 5.5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{\infty,192} = 1.82 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The R192 branching ratio at 213 K, 1 torr in this model is 0.76.

[55] Figure 17 demonstrates that the more efficient that reaction R191 is compared with R192, the greater the stratospheric abundance of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and other heavier hydrocarbons. The effect on  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  is complicated and depends on both the absolute rate of R191 + R192 as well as the R191/R192 ratio. In general, the more efficient that reaction R191 is compared with R192, the smaller the abundance of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  in the middle stratosphere, the region probed by the infrared observations.

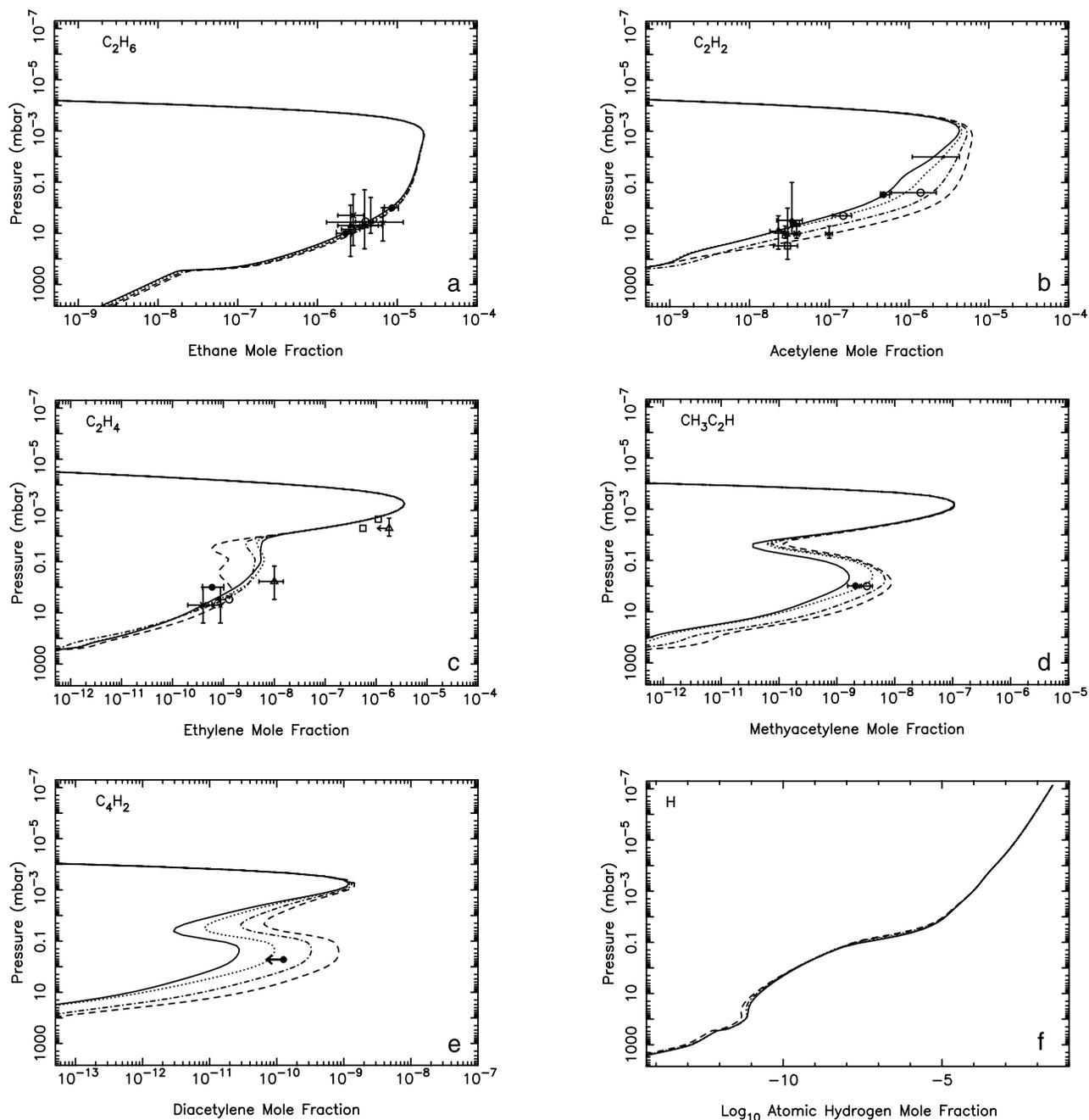
[56] Reaction R194 ( $\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{M}$ ) is another reaction that can affect the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2/\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  ratio on the outer planets because it is one of the intermediate reactions in the sequential addition of hydrogen to unsaturated hydrocarbons. As with many of the reactions in our list, reaction R194 has been well studied at 200 K and higher, but information at low temperatures is sparse. Figure 18 illustrates how changes in the rate coefficient for R194 affect species abundances. The solid lines represent Model A, in which the rate coefficients are taken from the data compilations of *Baulch et al.* [1994], except a limit of  $k_0 = 3.7 \times 10^{-30} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  is placed on the low-pressure limiting rate



**Figure 16.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f) H to the rate coefficient for reaction R190 ( $H + C_2H_2 + M \rightarrow C_2H_3 + M$ ). The thick solid line represents Model C; the dashed line represents a model with the same chemistry as Model C, except our new theoretical expression for  $k_{190}$  is used (see text); the thin solid line represents Model A; the dot-dashed line represents a model with the same chemistry as Model A, except our new theoretical expression for R190 is used; and the dotted line represents Model A, except the expression of Miller and Klippenstein [2004, p. 1200] is used.

coefficient below 302.4 K. The dot-dashed lines represent a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except  $F_c = 0.6$  and rate coefficient expressions from Lightfoot and Pilling [1987] are adopted:  $k_{194,0} = 1.39 \times 10^{-29} e^{(-569/T)} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{194,\infty} = 4.56 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1134/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . These expressions, in combination with equations (1) and (2), provide a rate coefficient in the falloff pressure regime that is generally lower than available data. The dashed lines

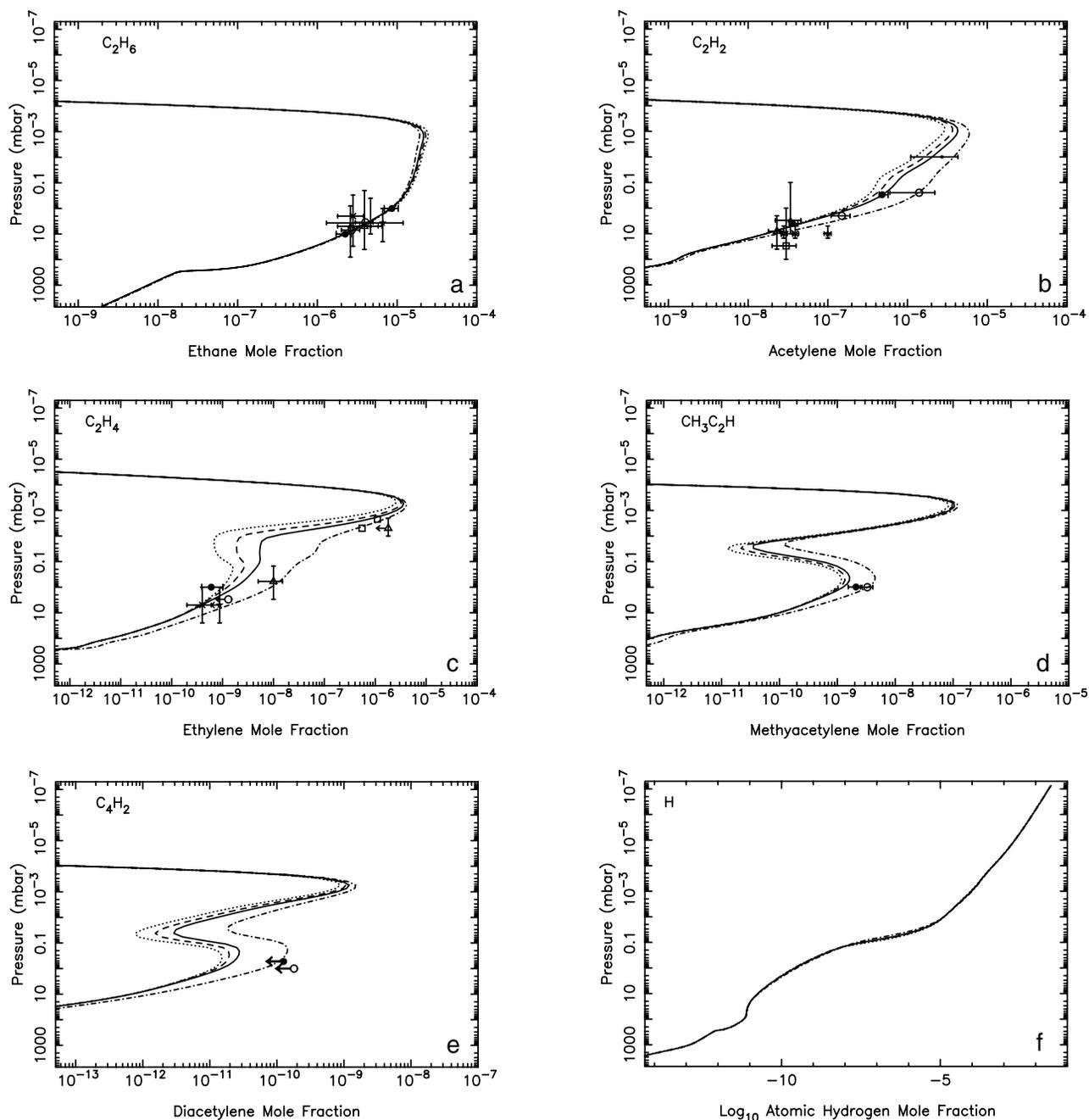
represent a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except the Model C rate coefficient expressions are used:  $k_{0,194} = 1.68 \times 10^{-38} T^{2.87} e^{(923/T)} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  (fit to data),  $k_{\infty,194} = 6.6 \times 10^{-15} T^{1.28} e^{(-650/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  [Baulch et al., 1994], and  $F_c = 0.24e^{(-T/40)} + 0.76e^{(-T/1025)}$  [Baulch et al., 1994]. The rate coefficients derived from this expression are consistent with the He-bath-gas data of Lightfoot and Pilling [1987] in the 285–604 K range. The recent theoretical



**Figure 17.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f)  $H$  to the rate coefficient for reactions R191 ( $H + C_2H_3 \rightarrow C_2H_2 + H_2$ ) and R192 ( $H + C_2H_3 + M \rightarrow C_2H_4 + M$ ). The solid line represents Model A. The dot-dashed line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except for the rate coefficients  $k_{191} = 7.6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 5.76 \times 10^{-24} T^{-1.3} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{\infty,192} = 8.9 \times 10^{-10} e^{(-494/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dashed line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except the rate coefficients  $k_{0,192} = 1.49 \times 10^{-26} T^{-1} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{\infty,192} = 7.0 \times 10^{-11} T^{0.18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{191} = k_{\infty,192} - k_{192}[M]$ . The dotted line represents a model that has the same chemistry as Model A, except  $k_{191} = 2.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 5.5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{\infty,192} = 1.82 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

calculations for this reaction by *Miller and Klippenstein* [2004] have been extended to low temperatures (G. P. Smith, personal communication, 2004); the low-temperature calculations suggest that our Model C expression may underestimate  $k_0$  slightly and that the reaction rate

coefficient is difficult to fit over a large temperature range using equations like (1) and (2). The dotted line represents a model that has the same chemistry as that for the dashed line, except  $k_0$  has been increased by a factor of three.

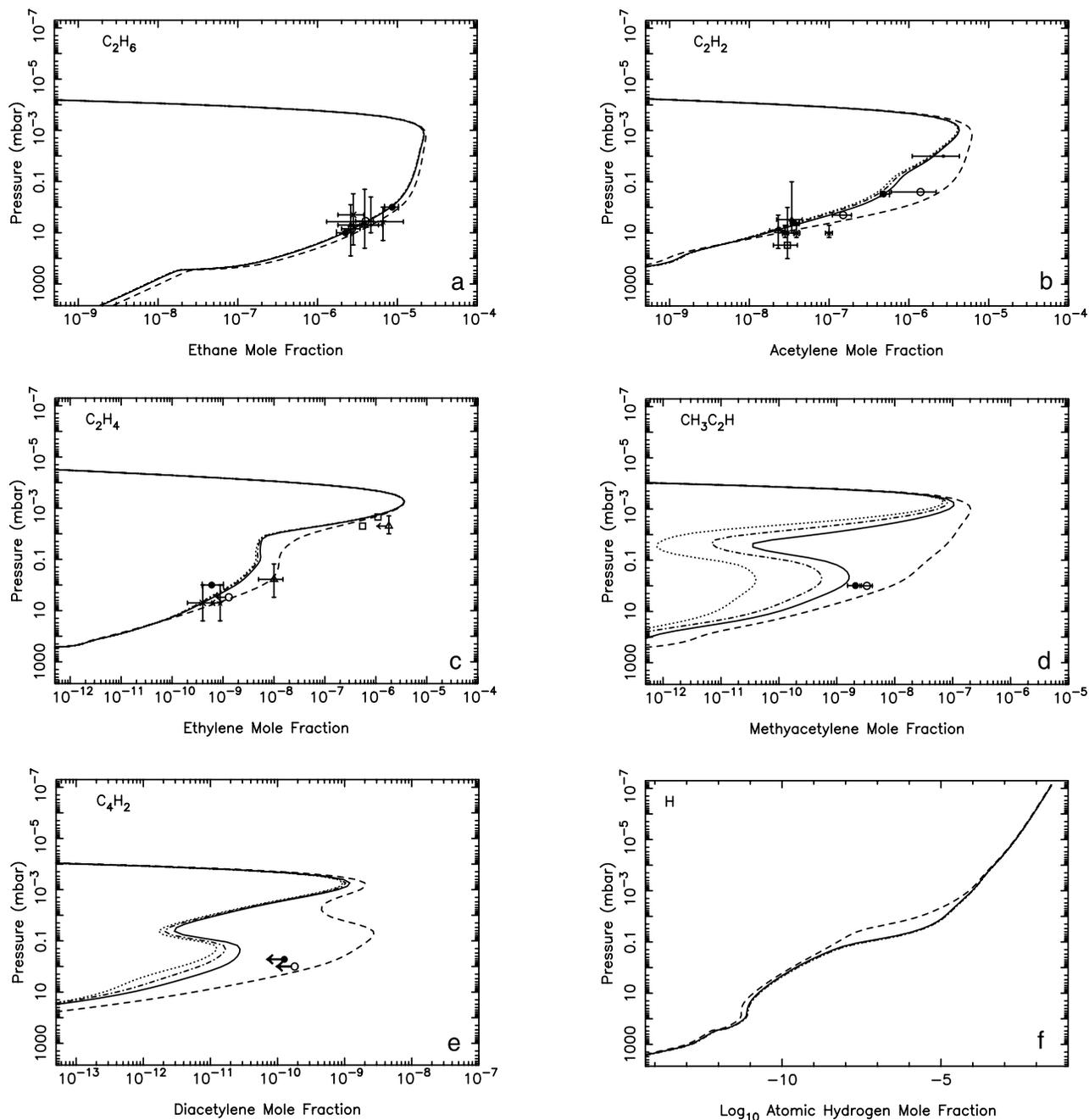


**Figure 18.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f) H to the rate coefficient for reaction R194 ( $H + C_2H_4 + M \rightarrow C_2H_5 + M$ ). See text for a description of the different models and their corresponding line styles in the figure.

[57] Figure 18 demonstrates that the larger the value of  $k_{194}$ , the smaller the abundance of  $C_2H_2$ ,  $C_2H_4$ ,  $CH_3C_2H$ , and  $C_4H_2$  in our model atmosphere. The effect on atomic hydrogen, however, is much smaller than that of R190 ( $H + C_2H_2$ ).

[58] The reaction of atomic H with  $C_3H_5$  radicals is very important in our models, not only for  $C_3H_x$  chemistry and abundances, but also for  $C_2H_x$  abundances. The main production mechanism for  $C_3H_5$  radicals in our model is reaction R204 ( $H + CH_3C_2H + M \rightarrow C_3H_5 + M$ ). The  $C_3H_5$  isomer produced in this reaction is  $CH_3CCH_2$  rather than the more thermodynamically stable allyl radical [Wagner

and Zellner, 1972; B. Wang et al., 2000]. Although there are several reports of H + allyl kinetics in the literature because of that reaction's importance in combustion studies [e.g., Harding and Klippenstein, 2000; Baulch et al., 1994; Hanning-Lee and Pilling, 1992; Tsang, 1991; Allara and Shaw, 1980], we could find no laboratory or theoretical studies of the reaction of H with  $CH_3CCH_2$  other than some discussion by Wagner and Zellner [1972]. The possible pathways of the reaction of H with  $CH_3CCH_2$  include  $CH_3C_2H + H_2$  (R207),  $CH_2CCH_2 + H_2$  (R208),  $CH_3 + C_2H_3$  (R209), and three-body addition to form  $C_3H_6$  (R210). Note that R209 would be endothermic with allyl



**Figure 19.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f) H to the rate coefficient for reactions R207–R210 that deal with the reaction of  $H + C_3H_5$ . The solid lines in Figure 19 represent Model A, with rate coefficients of  $k_{207} = k_{208} = 3.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{209} = 4.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,210} = 1.5 \times 10^{-29} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{\infty,210} = 2.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dashed lines represent a model that is identical to Model A, except  $k_{209} = 0$ . The dot-dashed line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except  $k_{207} = k_{208} = 1.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dotted line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except  $k_{0,210} = 1.0 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $k_{\infty,210} = 2.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

as the  $C_3H_5$  radical but is energetically possible with  $CH_3CCH_2$ . R209 is important in removing atomic hydrogen in our model because both products ( $CH_3$  and  $C_2H_3$ ) react readily with H, whereas the products of R207, R208, and R210 often lead to recycling of atomic H. The relative rates of R207, R208, R209, and R210 therefore affect the abundances of many hydrocarbons in our model. We have

used the reported rate coefficients for  $H + \text{allyl}$  as a guide in estimating the rate coefficients for R207, R208, and R210; however, the rate coefficients for all four reactions (R207–R210) could be considered free parameters in the model due to a lack of relevant laboratory data.

[59] Figure 19 illustrates how the adopted rate coefficients for reactions R207–R210 affect species abundances.

Note the high sensitivity to R209. The results for the  $C_2H_x$  hydrocarbons are less sensitive to assumptions about  $k_{207}$ ,  $k_{208}$ , and  $k_{210}$ . Studies of the reaction of atomic hydrogen with  $CH_3CCH_2$  radicals are greatly needed to help constrain photochemical models of the outer planets.

[60] Excited singlet methylene ( $^1CH_2$ ) is a major product of methane photolysis at Lyman  $\alpha$  wavelengths. The dominant loss process for  $^1CH_2$  is interaction with molecular hydrogen, leading to either a reaction to form  $CH_3 + H$  (R259) or collision-induced intersystem crossing to form  $^3CH_2$  (R258). Both the absolute and relative rates of R258 and R259 are important. It is now well established that R259 dominates over R258 at room temperature [e.g., *Blitz et al.*, 2001; *Langford et al.*, 1983; *Braun et al.*, 1970]. The temperature and pressure dependence of these reactions are uncertain, however. Figure 20 illustrates how the rate coefficients for R258 and R259 can affect species abundances. The higher the  $k_{258}/k_{259}$  ratio, the less atomic hydrogen is produced in the upper atmosphere and the less efficient methane recycling becomes; in addition, an increased rate of production of  $^3CH_2$  leads to an increased production of CH and, through CH insertion reactions, an increased production rate of unsaturated hydrocarbons.

[61] The reaction of vinyl ( $C_2H_3$ ) radicals with  $H_2$  to form  $C_2H_4 + H$  (R328) is highly temperature dependent, and the rate constant is unknown at the low temperatures typical of the Jovian stratosphere. Although the rate constant will be very small at low temperatures, the large  $H_2$  abundance on Jupiter makes the reaction potentially important as a  $C_2H_3$  loss mechanism. The reaction will be of less importance on the other giant planets (except for perhaps Neptune in certain altitude regions) due to the lower temperatures generally found in the stratospheres of those planets. As is discussed by *Allen et al.* [1992], *Fahr et al.* [1995], *Gladstone et al.* [1996], and *Romani* [1996], reaction R328 contributes to a potential mechanism for aiding the conversion of acetylene to ethane in Jupiter's atmosphere. However, the importance of this reaction in the overall  $C_2H_2$ -to- $C_2H_6$  conversion scheme is unclear because of uncertainties in the low-temperature rate constant. The room-temperature value is itself uncertain, as different theoretical extrapolations and/or experimentally measured rates differ by several orders of magnitude [e.g., *Knyazev et al.*, 1996; *Mebel et al.*, 1995; *Fahr et al.*, 1995; *Weissman and Benson*, 1988; *Callear and Smith*, 1986; *Tsang and Hampson*, 1986; *Laufer et al.*, 1983]. For Models A and B, we adopt an intermediate expression from the transition-state theory calculations of *Knyazev et al.* [1996]. For Model C, we have adjusted the rate constants of several reactions in an attempt increase in the net production rate of  $C_2H_2$  in the upper portions of Jupiter's stratosphere to better match ISO data. Because these changes reduced the effectiveness of the mechanism of successive addition of H atoms to unsaturated hydrocarbons that helps convert  $C_2H_2$  to  $C_2H_6$ , the changes caused the resulting  $C_2H_2$  abundance in the lower stratosphere to be higher than is indicated by the observations. To keep the overall  $C_2H_2$  abundance consistent with observations, some other competing process is needed to help convert  $C_2H_2$  to  $C_2H_6$ . Reaction R328 can satisfy this criterion if its rate coefficient is high enough at low temperatures. Therefore, for Model C,

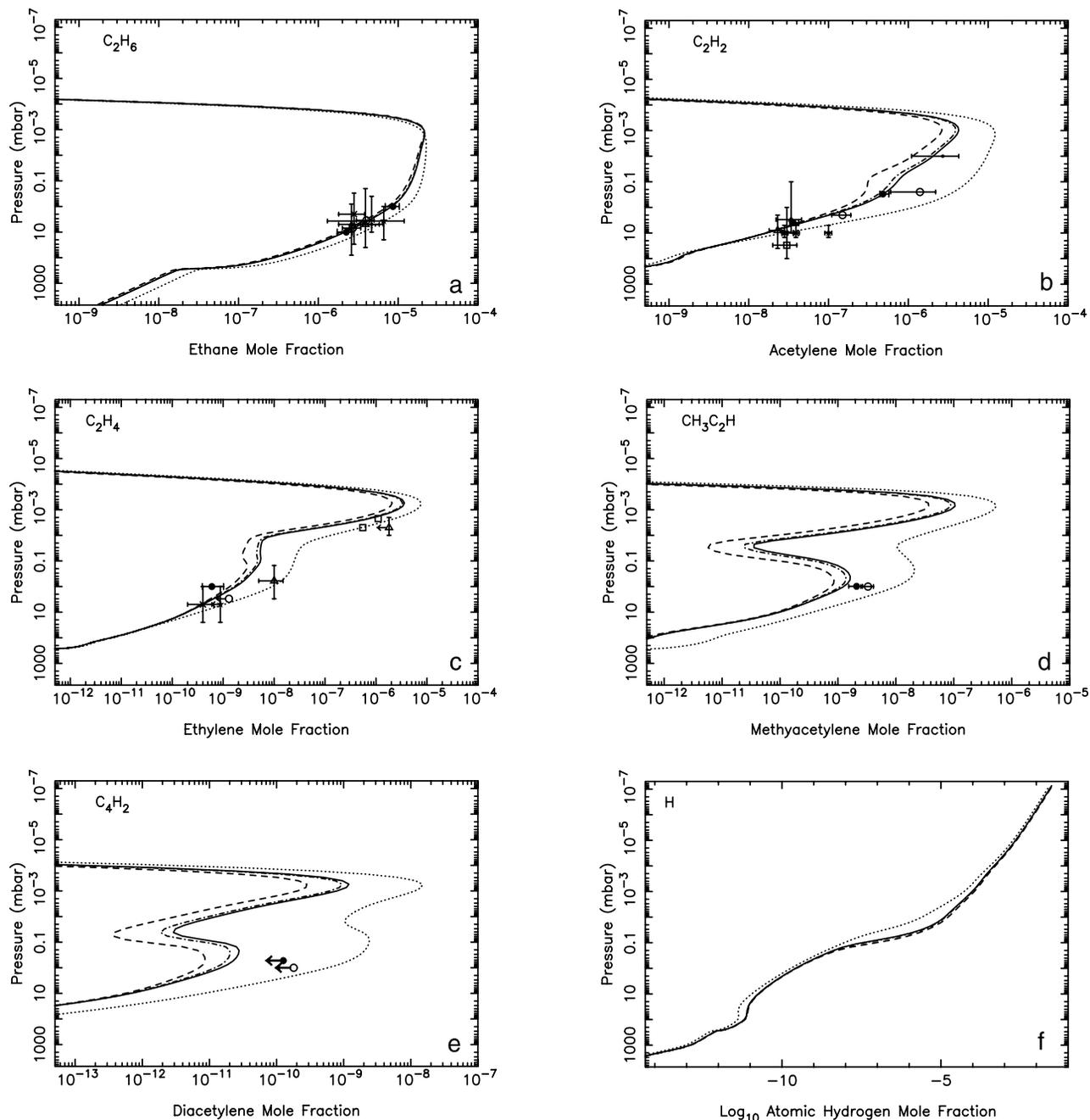
we have adopted an expression that gives a high rate constant at low temperatures, as was derived from the transition-state theory calculations of *Weissman and Benson* [1988].

[62] Figure 21 illustrates the sensitivity of species abundances to the rate coefficient for reaction R328. Note that  $k_{328}$  has little effect on  $C_2H_6$ ,  $C_2H_4$ , and H abundances, but it does affect  $C_2H_2$  and other unsaturated hydrocarbons that are sensitive to  $C_2H_2$  abundances (e.g.,  $CH_3C_2H$  and  $C_4H_2$ ).

## 5. Observations and Model-Data Comparisons

[63] The ISO satellite [*Kessler et al.*, 1996] performed routine operations from February 1996 to April 1998. Spectra of Jupiter were acquired by the SWS instrument [*de Graauw et al.*, 1996] on several dates within this time period; the spectra used in our analysis of the hydrocarbon abundances were all obtained in late May 1997. Table 2 provides some details about these observations. Previous descriptions of ISO-SWS spectra of Jupiter are given by *Encrenaz et al.* [1996, 1999], *Feuchtgruber et al.* [1997, 1999], *Brooke et al.* [1998], *Drossart et al.* [1999], *Fouchet et al.* [2000a, 2000b, 2003], *Lellouch et al.* [2001, 2002], *Bézard et al.* [2001b], and *Encrenaz* [2003]. Our spectra were acquired by the two SWS grating spectrometers that provide medium spectral resolution in the wavelength range 2.4–45  $\mu m$  (with resolving power  $\sim 1000$ –3000, depending on wavelength). We use observations from two different "Astronomical Observation Template" (AOT) modes: the AOT 01 mode, in which the entire SWS spectral range was observed at relatively low resolution, and the AOT 06 mode, in which the focus was specific spectral regions (7.0–12.0  $\mu m$  and 12.0–16.5  $\mu m$ ) at slightly higher spectral resolution. For the Jupiter observations, the instrument aperture (14"  $\times$  20" half maximum for wavelengths less than 12.5  $\mu m$  and 14"  $\times$  27" half maximum for wavelengths greater than 12.5  $\mu m$ ) was centered on the planet (41" equatorial diameter), with the long axis roughly parallel to the north-south polar axis. The auroral regions were not included in the field of view. More details about these observations and the data reduction are given by *Fouchet et al.* [2000b], *Lellouch et al.* [2001], and *Bézard et al.* [2001b].

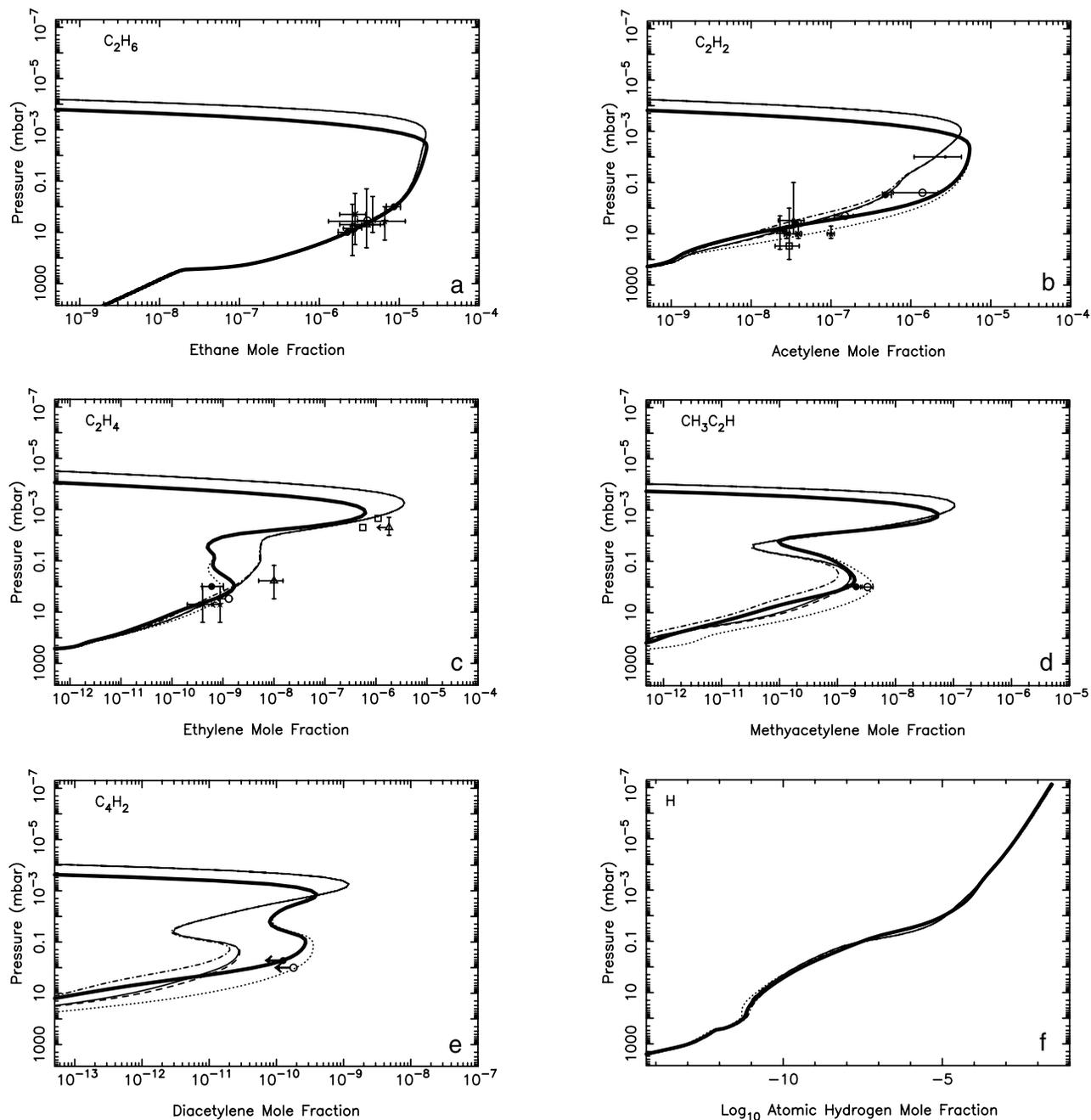
[64] For most of the hydrocarbon analyses, we use spectra acquired with the high-resolution AOT 06 mode on 25 May 1997. However, these spectra were obtained using subdivided spectral bands that have a cutoff at 12.1  $\mu m$ , right in the middle of the  $\nu_9$  ethane band. Because the two instrument spectral bands on either side of the 12.1  $\mu m$  cutoff employ different apertures and because the intercalibration between the two bands is not precise enough for our purposes, we do not use the 25 May 1997 AOT 06 spectra for our ethane analysis. Instead, we use an AOT 01 spectrum taken on 23 May 1997. The AOT 01 mode applies a different scanning strategy, and the relevant band extends to 12.4  $\mu m$  rather than 12.1  $\mu m$ . However, we trade consistency and continuity for spectral resolution, as the AOT 01 spectra have lower resolution than the AOT 06 spectra by an average of 1.4. In our spectral region of interest, the AOT 01 mode has a resolving power of  $\sim 1500$  at 11  $\mu m$  and  $\sim 2000$  at 13  $\mu m$ , compared with the AOT 06 mode resolving power of  $\sim 2000$  at 11  $\mu m$  and  $\sim 3000$  at



**Figure 20.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f) H to the rate coefficient for reactions R258 ( $^1CH_2 + H_2 \rightarrow ^3CH_2 + H$ ) and R259 ( $^1CH_2 + H_2 \rightarrow CH_3 + H$ ). The solid line represents Model A, for which  $k_{258} = 1.26 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $k_{259} = 9.24 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dashed line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except  $k_{258} = 0$  and  $k_{259} = 1.16 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dot-dashed line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except the rate coefficients for R258 and R259 are consistent with *Blitz et al.* [2001]:  $k_{258} = 8.64 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $k_{259} = 8.14 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dotted line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except  $k_{258} = k_{259} = 5.8 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The latter model is unlikely to be realistic but illustrates the sensitivity of the model to the  $k_{258}/k_{259}$  ratio, which is unknown at temperatures relevant to the Jovian stratosphere.

13  $\mu\text{m}$ . For benzene and methylacetylene, the 25 May 1997 spectrum in the 3A band (12.0–16.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ) suffers from severe fringing problems due to Fabry-Pérot effects occurring in both the detector and the order-sorting filter of the entrance aperture. The fringes can be removed by spectral

filtering, but this method alters some real features in the spectrum, and benzene and methylacetylene are then not detected. An alternative is to use the so-called “off-band” spectra: light that has been filtered through the 3A band but that is detected with the longer wavelength detector 4,



**Figure 21.** The sensitivity of the mixing ratio profiles of (a)  $C_2H_6$ , (b)  $C_2H_2$ , (c)  $C_2H_4$ , (d)  $CH_3C_2H$ , (e)  $C_4H_2$ , and (f) H to the rate coefficient for reaction R328 ( $C_2H_3 + H_2 \rightarrow C_2H_4 + H$ ). The thin solid line represents Model A, in which the rate coefficient recommendation of *Knyazev et al.* [1996] is used:  $k_{328} = 1.57 \times 10^{-20} T^{2.56} e^{(-2529/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dashed line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except the adopted rate coefficient expression for R328 is the lowest value available in the literature for Jovian temperatures; i.e., that of *Tsang and Hampson* [1986]:  $k_{328} = 5.0 \times 10^{-20} T^{2.63} e^{(-4298/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The dot-dashed line represents a model that is identical to Model A, except the adopted rate coefficient expression for R328 provides the highest value available in the literature for Jovian temperatures; i.e., that of *Weissman and Benson* [1988]:  $k_{328} = 5.23 \times 10^{-15} T^{0.7} e^{(-2574/T)} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The thick solid line represents Model C, in which the chemistry differs from Model A (see Table S3), and the high value of  $k_{328}$  from *Weissman and Benson* [1988] is used. The dotted line represents a model that is identical to Model C, except the intermediate value of  $k_{328}$  from *Knyazev et al.* [1996] is used.

which does not suffer from Fabry-Pérot effects. The fringing pattern is then only due to the filter and can be removed without damaging the spectrum. The drawbacks to this method are that the absolute flux cannot be trusted, and

some spectral gaps exist. Therefore we only use the “off-band” data in the vicinity of the benzene and methylacetylene bands. To increase the signal-to-noise ratio for benzene, six observations made on the center of the planet on 26 May

**Table 2.** Observations

TDT Number	Date, UT	Integration Time, s	AOT Mode	Resolving Power ( $\lambda/\Delta\lambda$ )	Spectral Range, $\mu\text{m}$	Target Hydrocarbons
55400801	23 May 1997	2431	S01	2000	7.0–12.4	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$
55601319	25 May 1997	3440	S06	1200–2000	3.02–7.0	$\text{CH}_4$
55601720	25 May 1997	2796	S06	1400–2700	7.0–12.0	$\text{CH}_4$ , $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$
55602018	25 May 1997	1910	S06	1550–2000	2.4–3.02	$\text{CH}_4$
				1300–1700	12.0–16.5	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ , $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ , $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ , $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$
55700103	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$
55700206	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$
55700309	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$
55700412	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$
55700515	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$
55700618	26 May 1997	952	S06	1250	12.97–16.09	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$

1997 were co-added. The resulting spectrum is identical to that used by *Bézard et al.* [2001b].

### 5.1. Generation of Synthetic Spectra

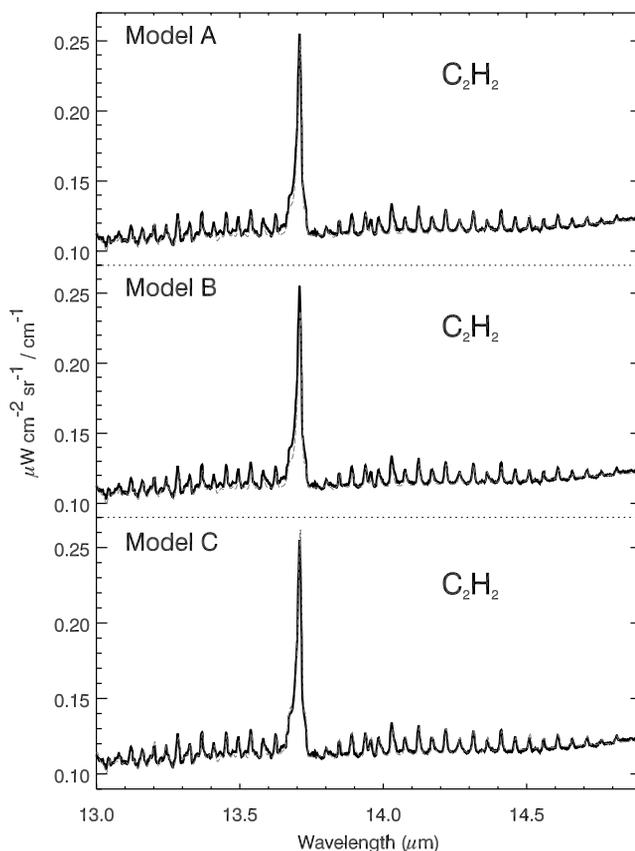
[65] To constrain the hydrocarbon abundances in Jupiter's stratosphere, we compare the ISO-SWS observations with synthetic spectra generated from a line-by-line radiative transfer program. The program includes collision-induced absorption from  $\text{H}_2$ -He- $\text{CH}_4$ , and molecular opacity from  $\text{PH}_3$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{D}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ , and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . In test calculations, we also include opacity from compounds not detected in the ISO spectra (e.g.,  $\text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ,  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ ) in order to put upper limits on the abundances of these species. Line parameters for all species except  $\text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ , and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  are obtained from the Geisa databank [*Jacquinet-Husson et al.*, 1999]. Line parameters for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  are identical to those of *Bézard et al.* [2001b]; they were provided by M. Dang-Nhu (personal communication to B. Bézard, 1990) and are derived from molecular constants from *Lindemayer et al.* [1988] and integrated band intensities from *Dang-Nhu and Pliva* [1989]. Consistent with the laboratory measurements of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  broadening by air and He [*Waschull et al.*, 1998], we adopt a Lorentz halfwidth of  $0.11 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ atm}^{-1}$  at 296 K and assume this value varies with temperature to the power of  $-0.75$ . Line parameters for  $\text{CH}_3$  are taken from *Bézard et al.* [1998], updated for the new band strengths measured by *Stancu et al.* [2005], and those for  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{CCH}_2$  are taken from *Moses et al.* [2000a]. The  $\text{H}_2$ - $\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2$ -He, and  $\text{H}_2$ - $\text{CH}_4$  absorption coefficients are calculated from subroutines provided by A. Borysow and are based on the models of *Borysow et al.* [1985, 1988] and *Borysow and Frommhold* [1986]. The  $\text{NH}_3$  vertical distribution is taken from *Fouchet et al.* [2000a]. Disk-averaged spectral radiances are calculated and then converted to fluxes taking into account the fraction of Jupiter's disk included in the SWS aperture.

[66] The tropospheric temperature profile used in the radiative-transfer modeling is inverted from ISO data from the 14–16- $\mu\text{m}$  spectral region, which sounds pressures between 100 and 300 mbar. The stratospheric temperature profile is retrieved from the  $\text{CH}_4$   $\nu_4$  emission. This band probes pressures between 1 and 30 mbar. At lower pressures, the profile is kept isothermal and is connected to the Galileo Probe ASI measurements for the upper stratosphere [*Seiff et al.*, 1998]. The derived stratospheric temperature has a local maximum at 4 mbar and a local minimum at 1 mbar. This oscillation of about 10 K was also observed  $\sim 3.5$  years later by the CIRS instrument aboard the Cassini spacecraft [*Flasar and the Cassini CIRS Investigation*

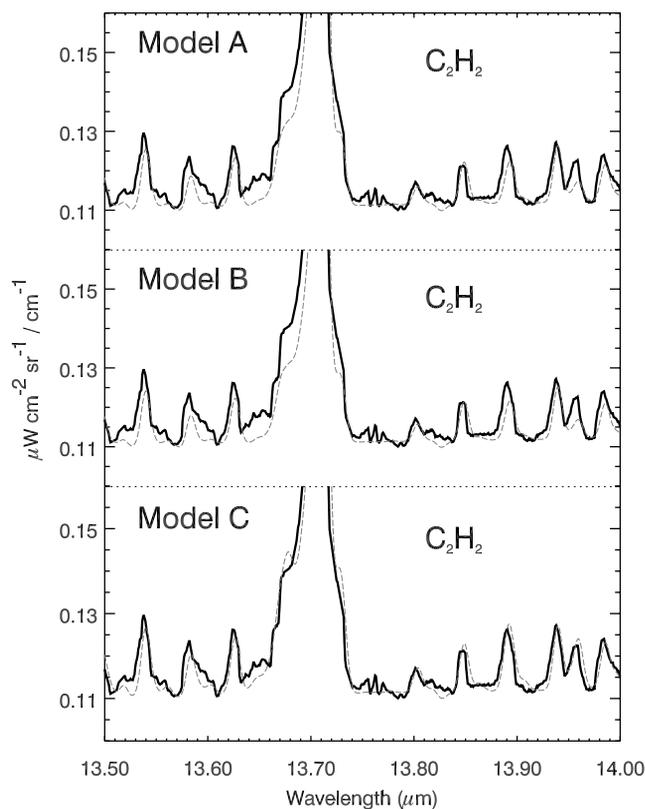
*Team*, 2004]. It is interpreted as a manifestation of the Quasi-Quadrennial Oscillation, which affects the stratospheric temperature and wind fields. Since this oscillation does not represent mean Jovian seasonal and spatial conditions, a smoothed version of the profile was adopted for the photochemical model, while the oscillating profile was used for generating the synthetic spectra.

### 5.2. Comparisons With ISO-SWS Spectra

[67] Figures 22–28 show a comparison of the ISO data with synthetic spectra generated from our photochemical models A, B, and C (and/or with model profiles multiplied by a constant factor in the case of a poor fit). Plots of the



**Figure 22.** ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$   $\nu_5$  band compared with synthetic spectra generated from (top) Model A, (middle) Model B, and (bottom) Model C. The thick solid lines represent the data, whereas the thin dashed lines represent the models.



**Figure 23.** Comparison of the ISO data with synthetic spectra generated from (top) Model A, (middle) Model B, and (bottom) Model C in the spectral region containing  $C_2H_2$   $\nu_5 + \nu_4 - \nu_4$  hot bands at 13.68 and 13.96  $\mu m$ . The thick solid lines represent the data, whereas the thin dashed lines represent the models.

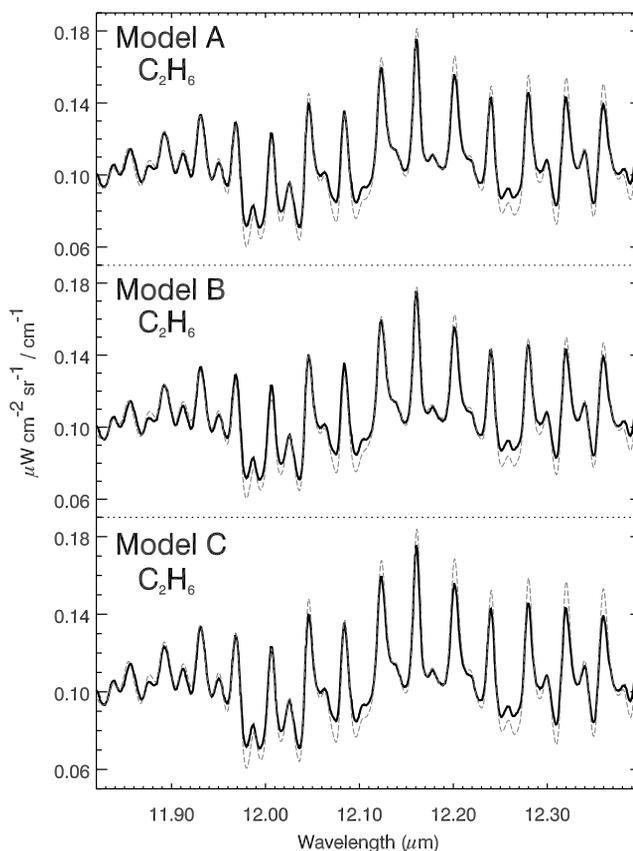
contribution functions associated with the  $C_2H_6$  and  $C_2H_2$  emission features are shown in Figure 29. The contribution function, as defined by Moses *et al.* [2000a], provides a measure of the relative contribution of a given pressure level to the observed emission.

[68] Figures 22 and 23 show that Models A, B, and C have mixed success in reproducing the various emission features associated with the  $C_2H_2$  fundamental  $\nu_5$  band in the 13–15  $\mu m$  region and the two Q branch components of the  $\nu_5 + \nu_4 - \nu_4$  hot band on either side of the main  $\nu_5$  Q branch near 13.7  $\mu m$ . Emission from the main  $\nu_5$  Q branch originates from the 2-mbar level, whereas emission from the hot bands originates from higher atmospheric levels near 0.25-mbar. Therefore the relative intensities of the features from the hot and fundamental bands are sensitive to the mixing-ratio gradient in the 0.1–4 mbar region. All three models do a good job of reproducing the emission due to the P, Q, and R branches of the  $\nu_5$  fundamental, with Model C slightly overestimating the Q branch emission. However, it is clear from an examination of the hot bands at 13.68 and 13.96  $\mu m$  (see Figure 23) that Models A and B do not have enough  $C_2H_2$  in the upper stratosphere to explain the observations. Model C provides a much better fit to the hot-band emission; Model C slightly overestimates the acetylene abundance around 0.25-mbar, but the discrepancy remains within the observational uncertainty. Note that the temperature in the upper stratosphere is not very well

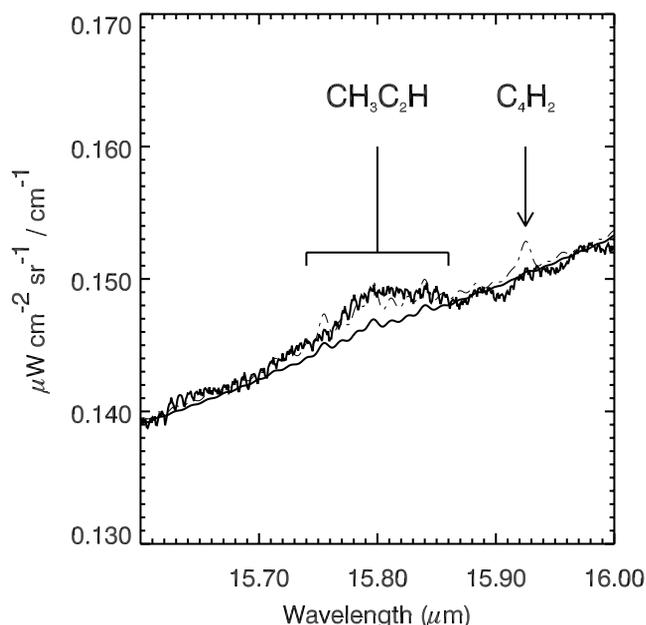
constrained by ISO observations due to the fact that the  $CH_4$   $\nu_4$  band only probes pressures in the 1–30 mbar region; therefore the error bars for the mixing ratio at the 0.25-mbar level are larger than those for the 2-mbar level. Information for this region of the stratosphere is not completely absent, however, as stellar occultation profiles and Galileo in situ measurements suggest that the temperature remains constant within a few kelvins between 1 mbar and a few microbars.

[69] All three models do a decent job of reproducing the emission from the  $\nu_9$  band of  $C_2H_6$  in the 11.8–12.4  $\mu m$  region (Figure 24). Model B, which has the smallest conversion rate from photolyzed methane to  $C_2$  hydrocarbons, provides the best fit. The  $^RQ_0$  multiplet at 12.16  $\mu m$  probes the 3.5-mbar level, whereas the rest of the  $\nu_9$  band consists of weaker multiplets that probe deeper levels  $\geq 7$  mbar. As explained by Fouchet *et al.* [2000b], the combination of strong and weak multiplets makes the band sensitive to the vertical profile of ethane. The success of the model-data comparisons here suggests that the modeled  $C_2H_6$  abundances have the right magnitude and slope in the 3–10 mbar region.

[70] Emission from the other hydrocarbons detected by ISO ( $CH_3C_2H$  and  $C_6H_6$ ) is optically thin, so the emission is proportional to the column density of the species. No information on the vertical profile can be obtained. The



**Figure 24.** ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $C_2H_6$   $\nu_9$  band compared with synthetic spectra generated from (top) Model A, (middle) Model B, and (bottom) Model C. The thick solid lines represent the data, whereas the thin dashed lines represent the models.



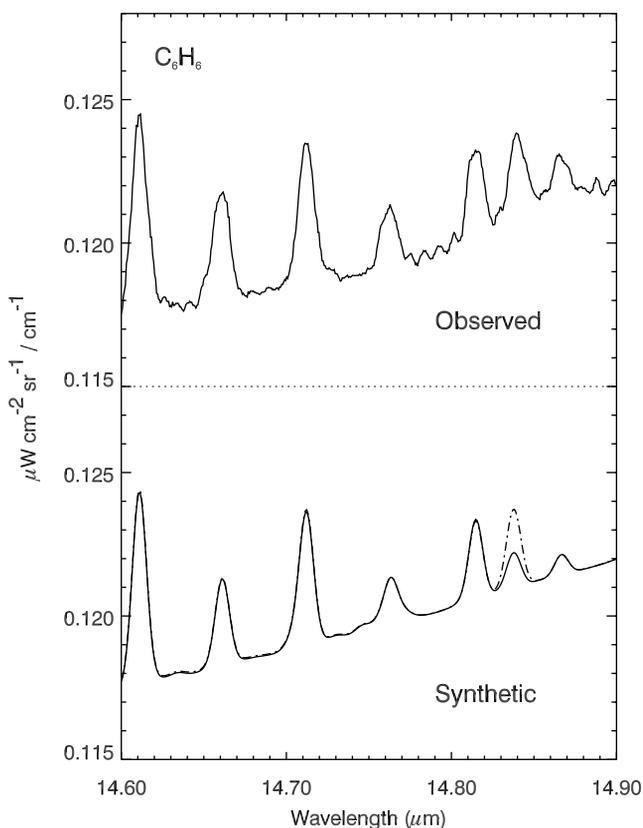
**Figure 25.** ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $\nu_9$  band of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and the  $\nu_8$  band of  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ . The thick solid line represents the ISO data, the thin solid line represents the synthetic spectrum from Model A, and the dashed line represents a synthetic spectrum in which Model A  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$  abundances have been multiplied by a factor of 2.7.

peaks in the contribution functions are located roughly where the species concentration reaches a maximum, i.e.,  $\sim 1$ – $10$  mbar for  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and  $\sim 3$ – $30$  mbar for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . Figure 25 demonstrates that Models A, B, and C underestimate the emission in the  $\nu_9$  band of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ . The observed emission at  $15.8 \mu\text{m}$  is best fit if the profiles in Models A, B, and C are multiplied by factors of 2.7, 3.1, and 3.4, respectively. From the ISO observations and the predicted vertical profiles of  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  from our photochemical models, we determine that the methylacetylene column abundance is  $(1.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{15}$  molecules  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  above 30 mbar. Similarly, Figure 26 demonstrates that Models A, B, and C underestimate the emission in the  $\nu_4$  band of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . The observed emission at  $14.82 \mu\text{m}$  is best fit when the predicted vertical distributions for benzene in Models A, B, and C are multiplied by a factor of 1.7, 2.3, and 7.1, respectively. From the ISO observations and the predicted vertical profiles of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ , we determine that the benzene column abundance is  $(8.0 \pm 2) \times 10^{14}$  molecules  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  above 30 mbar. However, as demonstrated by *Bézard et al.* [2001b], the results regarding the column abundance of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  are sensitive to the vertical distribution, and the chemistry of benzene on the outer planets is not well enough known to make this conclusion firm.

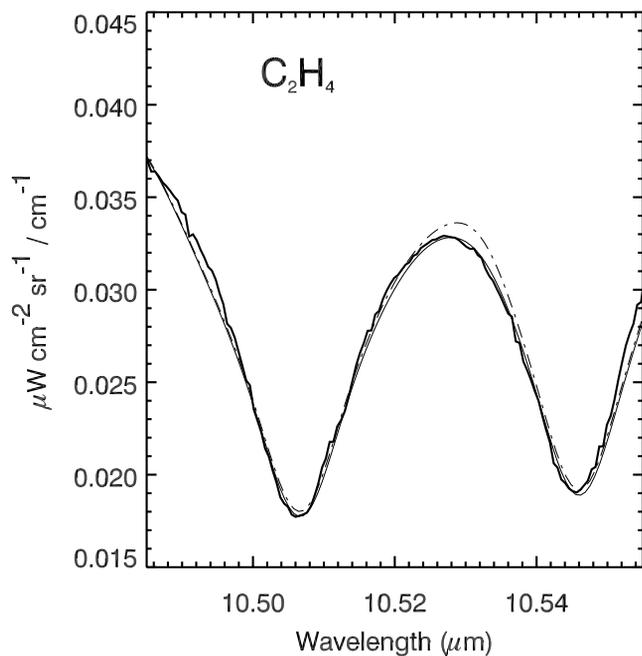
[71] Other hydrocarbons that have rovibrational bands in the wavelength range covered by the spectrometer but that were not detected by ISO-SWS include  $\text{CH}_3$  (the  $\nu_2$  band at  $16.5 \mu\text{m}$ ),  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  (the  $\nu_7$  band at  $10.5 \mu\text{m}$ ),  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$  (the  $\nu_{21}$  band at  $13.4 \mu\text{m}$ ), and  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$  (the  $\nu_8$  band at  $15.92 \mu\text{m}$ ). Figures 25, 27, and 28 show the model-data comparisons in the region of these bands. Conservative estimates for ethylene, propane, and diacetylene abundance upper limits

are 1.8, 10, and 4 times that predicted from photochemical Model C. Ethylene has been detected using IRTF/TEXES high-resolution spectra [*Bézard et al.*, 2002b]. The inferred column density,  $6 \times 10^{14}$  molecules  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  above 30 mbar is  $\sim 1.5$  times lower than that in our Model C. The  $\text{CH}_3$   $\nu_2$  band lies at  $16.5 \mu\text{m}$ , close to the edge of band 3A, where instrumental fringes are strong. For this reason, no useful  $\text{CH}_3$  upper limit could be derived.

[72] The column densities and mixing ratios implied by our analysis of the ISO observations are shown in Table 3. The error bars include errors due to the spectroscopic data and radiative transfer model and to uncertainties from the ISO calibration. Errors in spectroscopic parameters are about 10% for the best studied molecules ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ) and 20% for  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . As discussed previously, the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  abundance at 0.25-mbar suffers from uncertainties on the temperature profile in this pressure region, where the ISO constraints are loose. An additional 25% uncertainty is thus assigned to the acetylene mixing ratio in the upper stratosphere. The absolute accuracy of the flux scale for the AOT06 measurements is estimated to be  $\sim 15\%$  between  $12$ – $16 \mu\text{m}$ . For Jupiter, due to strong saturation effects, the absolute calibration was poor for the  $7$ – $12 \mu\text{m}$  band ( $\sim 30\%$ ), but overlapping bands allowed us to recalibrate the  $7$ – $12 \mu\text{m}$  band within  $\sim 5\%$



**Figure 26.** (top) ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $\nu_4$  band of benzene compared with (bottom) synthetic spectra generated by the photochemical models. In the bottom panel the solid line represents the synthetic spectrum generated from Model A, whereas the dot-dashed line represents a model in which the Model A benzene abundance has been multiplied by a factor of 1.7.



**Figure 27.** ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $\nu_7$  band of ethylene (thick solid line) compared with models. The thin solid line represents Model A, whereas the dot-dashed line represents a model in which the Model A  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  abundance has been multiplied by a factor of 2.0.

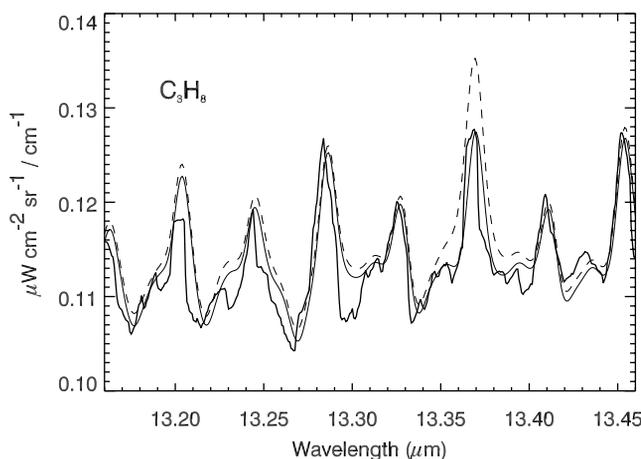
to the 12–16  $\mu\text{m}$  wavelength range. The error in relative calibration between the two bands propagate in the form of temperature error that leads to a  $\sim 5\%$  uncertainty in the synthetic spectra. This results in a  $\pm 5\%$  error in the column density of optically thin molecules ( $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ ), and a  $\pm 15\%$  error in the mixing ratios of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ .

### 5.3. Comparisons With Ultraviolet H and He Emission

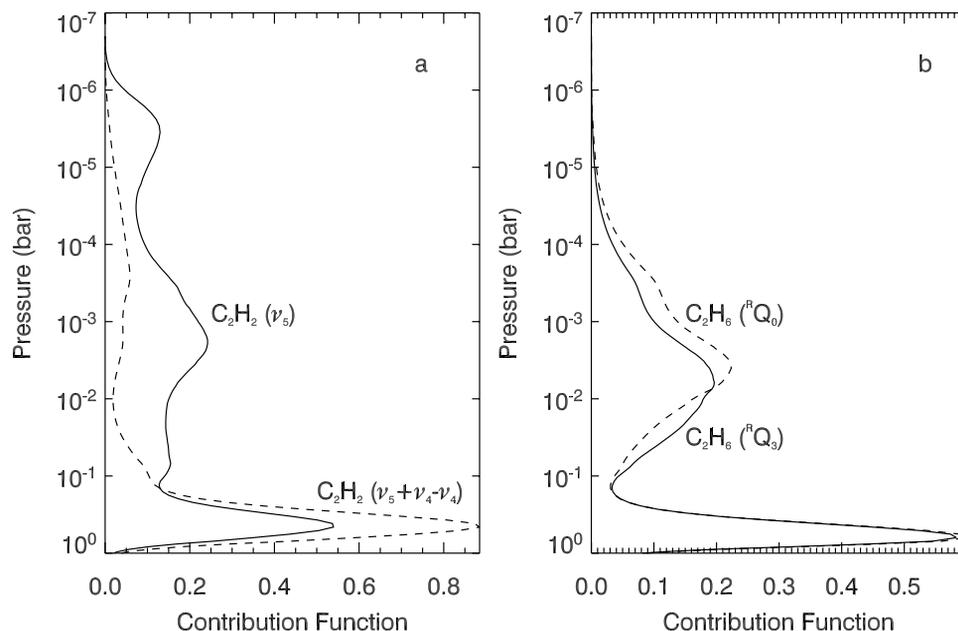
[73] Information on the structure and composition of the Jovian upper stratosphere can be obtained from ultraviolet observations of the H Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584  $\text{\AA}$  dayglow [e.g., *Hunten*, 1969; *Carlson and Judge*, 1971; *Wallace and Hunten*, 1973; *Yung and Strobel*, 1980; *Broadfoot et al.*, 1981; *McConnell et al.*, 1981; *Ben Jaffel et al.*, 1988, 1993; *Skinner et al.*, 1988; *Clarke et al.*, 1991; *Emerich et al.*, 1993; *Vervack et al.*, 1995; *Gladstone et al.*, 1995, 1996]. It is now commonly accepted that Ly  $\alpha$  emission results predominantly from resonant scattering of solar photons, with a smaller contribution from scattering from interplanetary Ly  $\alpha$  [e.g., *Yelle and Miller*, 2004]. The observed emission is therefore dependent on solar cycle. As is discussed in section 3, an increase in  $K_h$  will result in an increase in the brightness of the He I 584  $\text{\AA}$  line and a decrease in the brightness of the Ly  $\alpha$  1216  $\text{\AA}$  line; therefore the relative brightness of the two lines can be used to derive the eddy diffusion coefficient in the homopause region. *Yelle and Miller* [2004] and *Gladstone et al.* [1996] review the various sounding-rocket, satellite, and spacecraft observations of Jovian emission at Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584  $\text{\AA}$  over the last three decades.

[74] Previous photochemical models by *Gladstone et al.* [1996] and *Yung and Strobel* [1980] suggest that a column of  $\sim 10^{17}$  H atoms  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  is expected above the level where the methane optical depth at Ly  $\alpha$  is unity ( $\sim 10^{-3}$  mbar) in Jupiter's stratosphere. Assuming this hydrogen is at ambient temperatures, the expected disk-averaged brightness of Jupiter would be  $\sim 5$  kR for low-to-moderate solar conditions. Early rocket observations generally measured about 2–4 kR of Ly  $\alpha$  emission from Jupiter's disk [e.g., *Rottman et al.*, 1973; *Giles et al.*, 1976], an emission brightness in accord with Copernicus results [*Atreya et al.*, 1977] but considerably larger than the 0.4 kR (later revised to 1 kR by *Shemansky and Judge* [1988]) seen by Pioneer 10 [*Carlson and Judge*, 1974]. Even larger than these early measurements are the  $\sim 14$  kR observed by the Voyager ultraviolet spectrometers [e.g., *Broadfoot et al.*, 1981] and the 7–13 kR observed over many years by the International Ultraviolet Explorer (IUE) [e.g., *Skinner et al.*, 1988]. Such a strong variability with time has generally been taken as evidence for a large change in the structure of Jupiter's upper atmosphere, and the discovery of an evolving Ly  $\alpha$  bulge [*Clarke et al.*, 1980; *Sandel et al.*, 1980; *McGrath*, 1991] added to this perception.

[75] The interpretation of Ly  $\alpha$  brightnesses in terms of H column densities is complicated by several factors, including (1) an anomalously broad line shape [e.g., *Clarke et al.*, 1991] that suggests that a small component ( $\sim 0.1$ –1%) of “hot” hydrogen has a large effect on both the line profile and the reflected brightness [e.g., *Ben Jaffel et al.*, 1993; *Gladstone et al.*, 2004], (2) evidence that atmospheric turbulence influences the line profile [*Emerich et al.*, 1996], and (3) the uncertain contribution of aurorally produced atomic hydrogen to the global hydrogen budget. These complications make it much more difficult to get useful information on such properties as long-term variations in the eddy diffusion coefficient at the homopause than was previously supposed. The much simpler He I 584  $\text{\AA}$  emission is preferred for such studies.



**Figure 28.** ISO spectra in the vicinity of the  $\nu_{21}$  band of propane. The thick solid line represents the data, the thin solid line represents Model A, and the dashed line represents a model in which the Model A abundances have been multiplied by a factor of 20.



**Figure 29.** Contribution functions calculated at the peaks of the emission bands from the detected hydrocarbons. The functions exhibit a peak at 500 mbar in the troposphere due to H<sub>2</sub>-He-CH<sub>4</sub> collision-induced opacity.

[76] Jovian He 584 Å emission measurements have been recorded by the Voyager UVS instrument, the EUVE satellite, and Cassini UVIS. The Voyager UVS data were analyzed by *McConnell et al.* [1981], *Shemansky* [1985], and *Vervack et al.* [1995]; the disk-center He 584 Å brightness was determined to be  $\sim 4$  R. The Voyager observations were taken at solar maximum. The EUVE satellite, on the other hand, acquired data at solar minimum. As reported by *Gladstone et al.* [1995], no He 584 Å emission was detected in April 1993 (upper limit 1.8 R), but He 584 Å was detected in July 1994, with a disk-averaged brightness of  $2.9 \pm 0.9$  R. A full description of the Cassini UVIS results from the Jupiter flyby (at solar maximum) is not yet available, but preliminary results are presented in an unpublished manuscript by C. D. Parkinson et al.

[77] Table 4 lists the disk-averaged and subsolar brightnesses calculated for resonantly scattered sunlight from Models A, B, and C for Jupiter, and Models A and C for Saturn. These brightnesses were calculated using the partial-frequency-redistribution resonance-line radiative transfer program of *Gladstone* [1988]. The solar full-disk line-integrated fluxes at 1 AU adopted for these models were  $4.6 \times 10^{11}$  photons cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for Ly  $\alpha$  and  $3.0 \times 10^9$  photons cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for He 584 Å. These values represent moderate solar conditions [cf. *Woods et al.*, 2000; *Torr et al.*, 1979]; typical ranges from solar minimum to maximum are  $3.7\text{--}5.6 \times 10^{11}$  photons cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for Ly  $\alpha$  and  $1.3\text{--}4.3 \times 10^9$  photons cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for He 584 Å at 1 AU. Brightness estimates for other specific epochs may be obtained by multiplying the  $I/F$  values provided in Table 4 by the appropriate full-disk solar flux at the planet. A sum

**Table 3.** Constraints From ISO Spectra

Species	Pressure, mbar	Observed	Model A	Model B	Model C
		Column Density, cm <sup>-2</sup> , or Mixing Ratio	Column Density, cm <sup>-2</sup> , or Mixing Ratio	Column Density, cm <sup>-2</sup> , or Mixing Ratio	Column Density, cm <sup>-2</sup> , or Mixing Ratio
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	0.25	$1.4 \pm 0.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$5.2 \times 10^{-7}$	$5.3 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-6}$
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	2.0	$1.5 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-7}$	$9.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-7}$
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	3.5	$4.0 \pm 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.2 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.6 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.5 \times 10^{-6}$
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	7.0	$2.7 \pm 0.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.0 \times 10^{-6}$
CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> H	1.0	$3.3 \pm 0.8 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-9}$
CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> H	above 30	$1.5 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{15}$	$5.5 \times 10^{14}$	$4.7 \times 10^{14}$	$4.4 \times 10^{14}$
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	3.0	$4.5 \pm 1.1 \times 10^{-10}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-10}$	$7.6 \times 10^{-11}$
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	above 30	$8.0 \pm 2 \times 10^{14}$	$3.9 \times 10^{14}$	$2.9 \times 10^{14}$	$1.0 \times 10^{14}$
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	3.0	$<1.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$6.7 \times 10^{-10}$	$5.8 \times 10^{-10}$	$7.3 \times 10^{-10}$
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	above 30	$<3.3 \times 10^{15}$	$1.6 \times 10^{15}$	$1.2 \times 10^{15}$	$8.7 \times 10^{14}$
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	3.0	$<1.3 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.2 \times 10^{-9}$	$5.2 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-8}$
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	above 30	$<1.6 \times 10^{17}$	$7.7 \times 10^{15}$	$6.3 \times 10^{15}$	$1.5 \times 10^{16}$
C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	1.0	$<1.8 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-11}$	$4.4 \times 10^{-11}$
C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	above 30	$<7.0 \times 10^{13}$	$5.8 \times 10^{12}$	$4.8 \times 10^{12}$	$1.9 \times 10^{13}$

**Table 4.** Constraints From Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584 Å Brightnesses

Model	Predicted $I_{Ly\ \alpha}$ , kR		Predicted $I_{584}$ , kR	
	Disk-Average	Subsolar	Disk-Average	Subsolar
<i>Jupiter</i>				
A	8.73 (0.128) <sup>a</sup>	8.43 (0.124)	3.57 (0.0107)	6.12 (0.0138)
B	12.72 (0.187)	12.93 (0.190)	2.77 (0.0062)	3.62 (0.0081)
C	9.22 (0.136)	9.34 (0.137)	2.16 (0.0049)	2.85 (0.0064)
<i>Saturn</i>				
A	0.94 (0.047)	1.07 (0.054)	1.50 (0.012)	1.93 (0.015)
C	0.94 (0.047)	1.07 (0.054)	1.52 (0.012)	1.94 (0.015)

<sup>a</sup>Values in parentheses are  $I/F$ .

of equal and offset Gaussians was used to represent the shape for both solar lines, i.e.,

$$\pi F(\lambda) = \frac{\pi F}{2\sqrt{\pi}\lambda_{dis}} \left[ e^{-\left(\frac{\lambda-\lambda_{off}}{\lambda_{dis}}\right)^2} + e^{-\left(\frac{\lambda+\lambda_{off}}{\lambda_{dis}}\right)^2} \right], \quad (3)$$

where  $\lambda_{dis} = 0.216$  Å and  $\lambda_{off} = 0.220$  Å for the solar Ly  $\alpha$  line and  $\lambda_{dis} = 0.072$  Å and  $\lambda_{off} = 0.0$  Å for the solar He 584 Å line. The calculations assume that a hot H component is present, with a distribution and abundance (0.1% of the total ambient H column), equivalent to the best fit of *Gladstone et al.* [2004]. If the hot component is removed, the disk-averaged Ly  $\alpha$  brightnesses drop to 5.31, 8.19, and 5.94 for Models A, B, and C, respectively. The subsolar brightnesses drop to 6.02, 9.18, and 7.25 kR, respectively.

[78] For Jupiter, the predictions from Models A and C are most consistent with the various Ly  $\alpha$  observations taken over the years (see above). The Model B disk-averaged prediction for moderate solar conditions (12.72 kR) is at the upper range of that observed by the IUE. At solar maximum, the Model B disk-averaged estimated brightness at Ly  $\alpha$  would be  $\sim 16$  kR, which exceeds all observed values, including the Voyager observed value of  $\sim 14$  kR at solar maximum. Therefore we favor Models A and C over Model B in this regard. However, this result is sensitive to the assumed H influx rate, and that rate is not well constrained from photochemical models due to the overall uncertainties in the reaction schemes. Model A overpredicts the disk-center He 584 Å brightness at solar maximum by a factor of  $\sim 2-3$  as compared with the Voyager solar-maximum observations, whereas the Model C predictions of He 584 Å brightness are much more in line with the observed Voyager and EUVE values. The eddy diffusion coefficient profile developed for Model C is thus our preferred profile from the standpoint of consistency with the Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584 Å data.

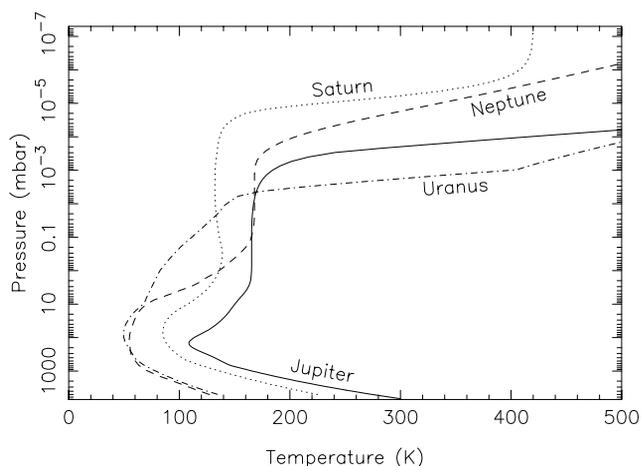
[79] We also show in Table 4 what the predicted Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584 Å brightnesses would be for Saturn based on the new models described in section 6. The similarity in the predictions for Models A and C for Saturn is due to the adoption of a similar upper-stratospheric eddy diffusion coefficient profile for the two models. The  $I_{584}$  and  $I_{Ly\ \alpha}$  predictions are reasonably consistent with the Ly  $\alpha$  and He 584 Å brightnesses observed at Saturn by Voyager, IUE, and EUVE [e.g., *Yelle et al.*, 1987a; *McGrath and Clarke,*

1992; *Parkinson et al.*, 1998]. See *Moses et al.* [2000a] for more details about the observations.

## 6. Comparisons With the Other Giant Planets

[80] Model C provides the best overall fit to all the available ISO, He 584 Å, and Ly  $\alpha$  emission data for Jupiter. However, all three of our standard photochemical Models A, B, and C provide a reasonable fit to the lower stratospheric  $C_2H_2$  and  $C_2H_6$  abundances on Jupiter, as can be seen from the fit to the  $\nu_5$  acetylene emission and the  $\nu_9$  ethane emission in Figures 22 and 24. The number of free parameters in the modeling clearly limits our ability to judge the validity of our photochemical schemes. As discussed by *Lee et al.* [2000], a more stringent test of our understanding of hydrocarbon photochemical processes is furnished when a consistent set of reactions is applied to studies of photochemistry on the other giant planets. Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune all have cold, hydrogen-dominated atmospheres in which methane photolysis dominates the stratospheric photochemistry. Differences in stratospheric composition between the giant planets can be caused by (1) differences in heliocentric distance (through its effect on photolysis rates), (2) differences in stratospheric temperature (through its effect on condensation and reaction rates), (3) differences in the strength of atmospheric mixing (through its effect on the production rate and overall lifetime of complex hydrocarbons), (4) differences in auroral energy input (through its potential effect on global abundances), and (5) differences in the influx and nature of external material (through its effect on the abundances of minor species). All these differences can be accounted for in one-dimensional photochemical models. Global stratospheric circulation may also play a role in affecting the observed composition of the giant planets, but such considerations are beyond the scope of our 1-D modeling.

[81] We have developed 1-D photochemical models for Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune to compare with our results for Jupiter. We adopt the same molecular cross sections and temperature-dependent reaction rate expressions as in the Jupiter modeling. Calculations are for 30° latitude at equinox for low-to-average solar conditions. The background atmospheric structure ( $P$ - $T$ - $z$  grid) differs for the different models, as does the heliocentric distance and the assumed influx rate of external oxygen compounds. The latter parameters are taken from *Moses* [2001]. The background model atmospheres have been developed by solving the hydrostatic equilibrium equation for the  $T$ - $P$  profiles shown in Figure 30, using the other physical parameters listed in Table 5. The eddy diffusion coefficient profiles are free parameters in the model and are adjusted until the model  $CH_4$  and  $C_2H_6$  abundances are consistent with observations. For Uranus,  $C_2H_6$  has not been observed, so the  $C_2H_2$  abundance was used to constrain  $K$  instead. Condensation of  $C_4H_2$ ,  $C_4H_{10}$ ,  $C_6H_6$ , and  $H_2O$  is included in the Saturn model. Condensation of  $C_2H_2$ ,  $C_2H_6$ ,  $C_4H_2$ ,  $C_4H_{10}$ ,  $C_6H_6$ ,  $H_2O$ , and  $CO_2$  is included in the Uranus and Neptune models. Propane would also condense on Uranus and Neptune, but  $C_3H_8$  condensation was not considered. The Uranus and Neptune models include photolysis from Ly  $\alpha$  from the local interplanetary medium.



**Figure 30.** The temperature profiles adopted for all the giant-planet models.

[82] Figure 31 illustrates how Models A and C compare with the observed hydrocarbon abundances on Saturn. Both models do a good job of reproducing the ISO observations of  $C_2H_6$  and  $CH_3C_2H$ . The Model C abundances of  $C_4H_2$  and  $C_2H_2$  also compare well with observations, although the 1-mbar  $C_2H_2$  abundance is slightly overpredicted. However, the  $C_2H_4$  abundance is grossly underpredicted with Model C, and the  $C_2H_2$  and  $C_4H_2$  abundances are underpredicted with Model A. Both models slightly overpredict the  $CH_3$  abundance on Saturn.

[83] The models also have mixed success for Neptune (see Figure 32). Both models reproduce the  $C_2H_6$  and  $CH_3$  results. Both models overpredict the  $C_2H_2$  abundance, with Model A resulting in values closer to the observed abundance. For  $C_2H_4$ , the abundance predicted by Model A compares well with the Voyager UVS results of *Yelle et al.* [1993] but is higher than that indicated by ISO [*Schulz et al.*, 1999]. Model C underpredicts the abundance of  $C_2H_4$ .

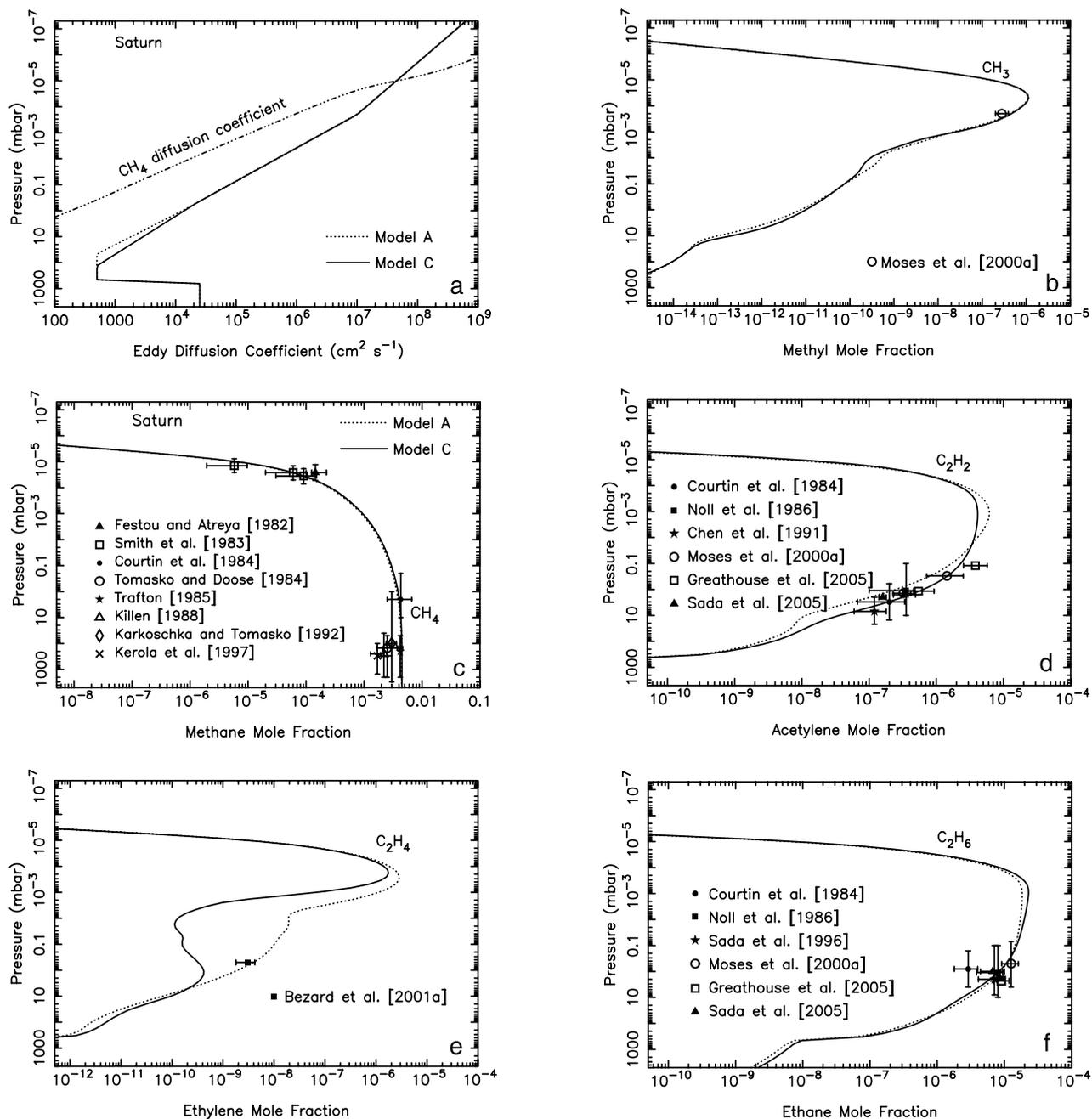
[84] For Uranus, the hydrocarbon abundances are affected significantly by the sluggish mixing in the Uranian stratosphere. The eddy diffusion coefficient profile, and probably atmospheric transport in general, have more influence on the results than any particular set of chemical reactions. In addition, different observations taken at different times and/or locations are often inconsistent with each other. Model-data comparisons for Uranus are therefore not very useful in

helping constrain the photochemical reaction schemes. During the Voyager era, the UVS occultations [e.g., *Herbert et al.*, 1987; *Bishop et al.*, 1990], which probed the equatorial region, indicated greater hydrocarbon abundances than could be supported from solar ultraviolet reflection observations of the polar regions [e.g., *Yelle et al.*, 1987b, 1989]. Due to the large tilt of Uranus's rotational plane relative to its orbital plane, the polar regions were in constant sunlight at the time of the Voyager encounters, whereas the equatorial regions experienced very low sun angles and much smaller daily insolation values. Seasonal and meridional transport effects likely influence the abundances [e.g., *Yelle et al.*, 1989]. Figure 33 shows our results for five different models for Uranus.

[85] Because the *Yelle et al.* [1989] derived  $C_2H_2$  abundance seems inconsistent with the recent derivation from global-average ISO observations of Uranus [*Encrenaz et al.*, 1998] as well as the UVS occultation results [*Bishop et al.*, 1990], we were required to look at models with two very different eddy diffusion coefficients. A higher value of  $K = 700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  is needed to fit the ISO and UVS occultation data, whereas a lower value of  $50 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  is consistent with the UVS solar reflection data [*Yelle et al.*, 1989]. In addition, because of the unusual axial tilt and long orbital period of the planet, our  $30^\circ$  latitude equinox model may not be appropriate as a "global average" for recent times, so we ran a couple models with fixed solar zenith angles to compare with specific data sets. The thick solid line in Figure 33 represents a model in which  $K = 700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and the solar zenith angle is fixed at  $83^\circ$ , a value relevant to the UVS occultations [*Herbert et al.*, 1987]. The dot-dashed line represents a model that has  $K = 50 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and a solar zenith angle fixed at  $21^\circ$ , an appropriate average for the solar reflection observations [*Yelle et al.*, 1989]. All models are consistent with the  $CH_4$  and  $C_2H_6$  upper limits from ISO [*Encrenaz et al.*, 1998], whereas only the model with the lower eddy diffusion coefficient is consistent with the  $CH_4$  upper limits imposed by *Yelle et al.* [1987b] and *Orton et al.* [1987]. Model C with a  $K$  value of  $700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  does the best job of reproducing the new  $C_2H_2$  ISO observations reported by *Encrenaz et al.* [1998], although the total  $C_2H_2$  column abundance in the model ( $\sim 8 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ) may be an underestimate. The ISO observations, which are weighted toward middle and high latitudes, suggest that the eddy diffusion coefficient may be increasing in recent years as the Uranian season changes. If so, more hydrocarbons may be

**Table 5.** Model Parameters for the Giant Planets

	Jupiter	Saturn	Uranus	Neptune
Heliocentric distance, AU	5.203	9.555	19.26	30.11
Equator-orbit inclination, degrees	3.08	26.73	97.92	28.8
Mass, kg	$1.890 \times 10^{27}$	$5.685 \times 10^{26}$	$8.684 \times 10^{25}$	$1.024 \times 10^{26}$
Equatorial radius at 1 bar, km	71492	60268	25559	24764
$30^\circ$ latitude radius at 1 bar, km	70205	58504	25409	24535
Rotation period at $30^\circ$ lat, hours	9.92	10.639	16.86	17.64
$J_2$	0.014697	0.016298	$3.3434 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.411 \times 10^{-3}$
$J_4$	-0.000584	-0.000915	$-2.885 \times 10^{-5}$	$-2.6 \times 10^{-5}$
Model C homopause pressure, mbar	$2.9 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-4}$
Model C $K_h$ , $\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$	$1.9 \times 10^6$	$4.4 \times 10^7$	$7.0 \times 10^2$	$2.4 \times 10^6$
$H_2O$ influx rate, $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$4.0 \times 10^4$	$1.9 \times 10^6$	$4.0 \times 10^5$	$2.6 \times 10^5$
$CO$ influx rate, $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$4.0 \times 10^6$	$3.9 \times 10^5$	$2.2 \times 10^5$	$3.4 \times 10^5$
$CO_2$ influx rate, $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$1.0 \times 10^4$	$1.4 \times 10^4$	$2.0 \times 10^4$	$6.5 \times 10^4$



**Figure 31.** The photochemical model results for the observable hydrocarbons on Saturn: (a) eddy diffusion coefficient profile, and mixing ratio profiles for (b)  $\text{CH}_3$ , (c)  $\text{CH}_4$ , (d)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ , (e)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ , (f)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ , (g)  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ , (h)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ , (i)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ , and (j)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . The dotted lines represent a model that has the same chemical reaction list as the Jupiter Models A and B, and the solid lines represent a model that has the same reaction list as Jupiter Model C. The sharp dropoff in the  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  mixing ratios near  $\sim 10$  mbar is caused by condensation. The various data points with associated error bars represent observational measurements, as labeled. The *Moses et al.* [2000a] points have been scaled from the values provided in that paper to account for an updated temperature profile [e.g., *Lellouch et al.*, 2001]. The  $\text{CH}_3$  data point has been scaled by a factor of 2.1 to account for the line-strength updates of *Stancu et al.* [2005].

present in the atmosphere now than were present at the time of the Voyager encounter [see also *Livengood et al.*, 2002; *Hammel et al.*, 2002].

[86] The model-data comparisons for all the giant planets demonstrate that we have not yet devised a photochemical

reaction list that can reproduce global average observations from all the giant planets to within the reported error bars. While Models A and C generally provide good first-order estimates, they fall short in several areas, most notably in predicting the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  abundance, the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2/\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6/$

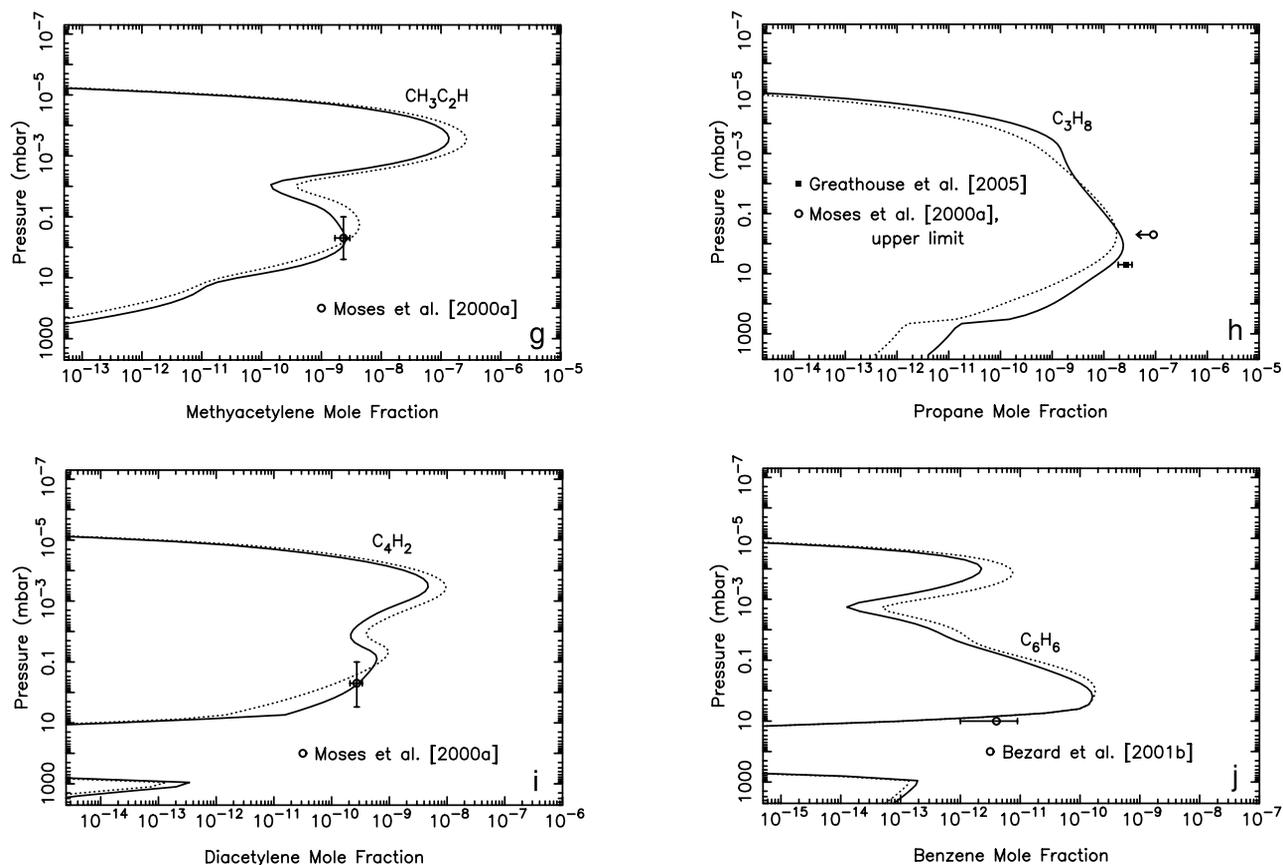


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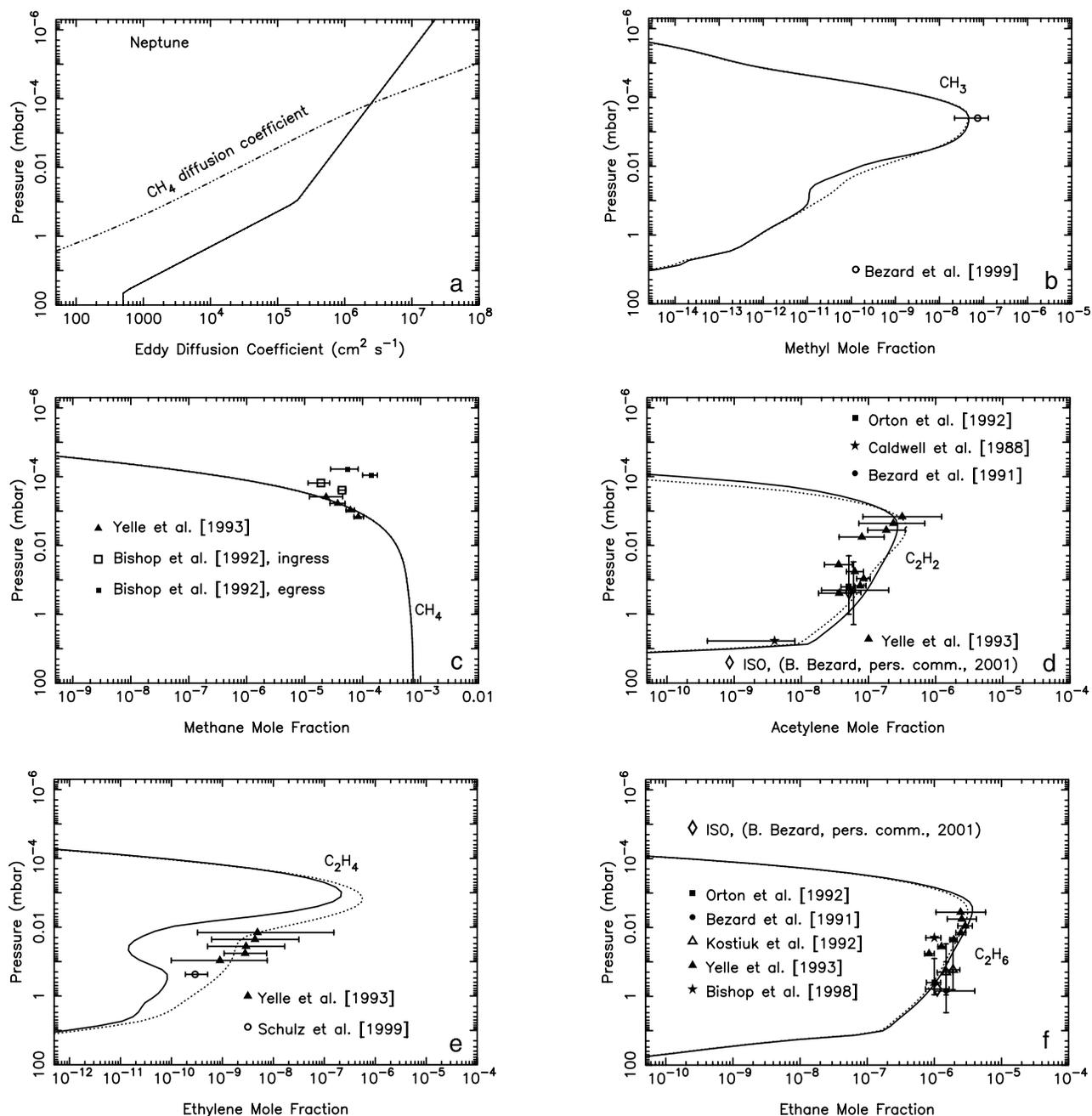
$C_2H_4$  ratios, the  $C_6H_6$  abundances, and the  $C_2H_6/C_2H_2$  ratio. Models A and C bracket the observed values of the  $C_2H_6/C_2H_2$  ratio on Jupiter and Saturn, but both models underpredict the ratio for Neptune. The difficulty in simultaneously reproducing both the  $C_2H_6$  and  $C_2H_2$  abundances for Neptune has long been identified [e.g., *Bézard et al.*, 1991; *Romani et al.*, 1993; *Moses et al.*, 1995; *Bishop et al.*, 1998]. The  $C_2H_6/C_2H_2$  ratio would increase from Jupiter to Neptune if all other parameters such as atmospheric temperatures or the eddy diffusion coefficient profile remained the same. The fact that Jupiter and Saturn have such similar  $C_2H_6/C_2H_2$  ratios ( $\sim 11$  at 1 mbar on Jupiter and  $\sim 10$  at 0.5 mbar on Saturn, according to ISO observations) suggests that other factors besides heliocentric distance and photolysis rates play a role.

[87] An even greater problem for the models is the accurate prediction of the  $C_2H_4$  abundances on the giant planets. Models A and C bracket the observed  $C_2H_6/C_2H_4$  and  $C_2H_2/C_2H_4$  ratios on Jupiter, Saturn, and Neptune, with Model C generally producing ratios that are too high, and Model A producing ratios that are too low. Note that the  $C_2H_2/C_2H_4$  ratio decreases progressively from Jupiter (observed ratio of  $\sim 410$  at 1 mbar), to Saturn (observed ratio of  $\sim 220$  at 0.5 mbar), to Neptune (observed ratio of  $\sim 30$  at 0.2 mbar). Similarly, the  $C_2H_6/C_2H_4$  ratio decreases from  $\sim 4500$  at 1 mbar on Jupiter, to  $\sim 2100$  at 0.5 mbar on Saturn, to  $\sim 770$  at 0.2 mbar on Neptune. These trends are largely caused by changes in photolysis rates (and in the corresponding H atom production rates) due to the change in heliocentric distance rather than caused by temperature-

dependent reaction rates; the temperature in the upper stratosphere where  $C_2H_4$  is produced from primary reactions does not differ much between Jupiter and Neptune. For Saturn and Neptune, the  $C_2H_6$ ,  $C_2H_4$ , and  $C_2H_2$  abundances are well predicted with the Model C rate coefficients plus the changed values  $k_{191} = 3.0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{0,192} = 2.0 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $k_{\infty,192} = 6.0 \times 10^{-11} T^{0.18} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and  $k_{194}$  as in Model A. However, these expressions lead to an overprediction of the  $C_2H_4$  abundance and an underprediction of the  $C_2H_2$  abundance on Jupiter.

[88] We should note that unlike the other main  $C_2H_x$  hydrocarbons, the  $C_2H_4$  mole fraction peaks high in the stratosphere at microbar pressure levels. The atmospheric temperature is poorly constrained at these altitudes, and this lack of constraint complicates the observational analysis and quantitative determination of the ethylene abundance.

[89] In summary, while the chemical reaction lists from Models A and C lead to photochemical model results that provide a decent first-order prediction of the hydrocarbon abundances on the giant planets, problems with the current reaction schemes do exist. Model-data comparisons demonstrate that the current schemes cannot reproduce the relative abundances of  $C_2$  hydrocarbons for all the giant planets. In particular, there appears to be a more effective conversion of unsaturated hydrocarbons like  $C_2H_2$  and  $C_2H_4$  to  $C_2H_6$  on Jupiter than on the other giant planets. The models do not reproduce this behavior. Further laboratory chemical kinetics investigations at low temperatures and low pressures are needed to fully understand the reasons



**Figure 32.** The photochemical model results for some of the hydrocarbons on Neptune: (a) eddy diffusion coefficient profile, and mixing ratio profiles for (b)  $\text{CH}_3$ , (c)  $\text{CH}_4$ , (d)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ , (e)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ , (f)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ , (g)  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ , (h)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ , (i)  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ , and (j)  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ . The dotted lines represent a model that has the same chemical reaction list as the Jupiter Models A and B, and the solid lines represent a model that has the same reaction list as Jupiter Model C. The various data points with associated error bars represent observational measurements or upper limits, as labeled. Note that the two Neptune models (called A and C) both have the same eddy diffusion coefficient profile. The data point for  $\text{CH}_3$  point has been scaled by a factor of 2.1 to account for the line-strength updates of *Stancu et al.* [2005].

for the shortcomings of the present schemes. The current models also need to incorporate some very recent advances in kinetics calculations and laboratory measurements [e.g., *Miller and Klippenstein*, 2004; *Wu et al.*, 2004; G. P. Smith, personal communication, 2004]. For example, we have not yet incorporated the new low-temperature photoabsorption cross sections of *Wu et al.* [2004] in our models, and the

effects of these more physically realistic cross sections on our model  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_x$  abundances have yet to be investigated.

## 7. Conclusions and Future Work

[90] To investigate the details of hydrocarbon and oxygen chemistry in Jupiter's stratosphere, we have constructed a

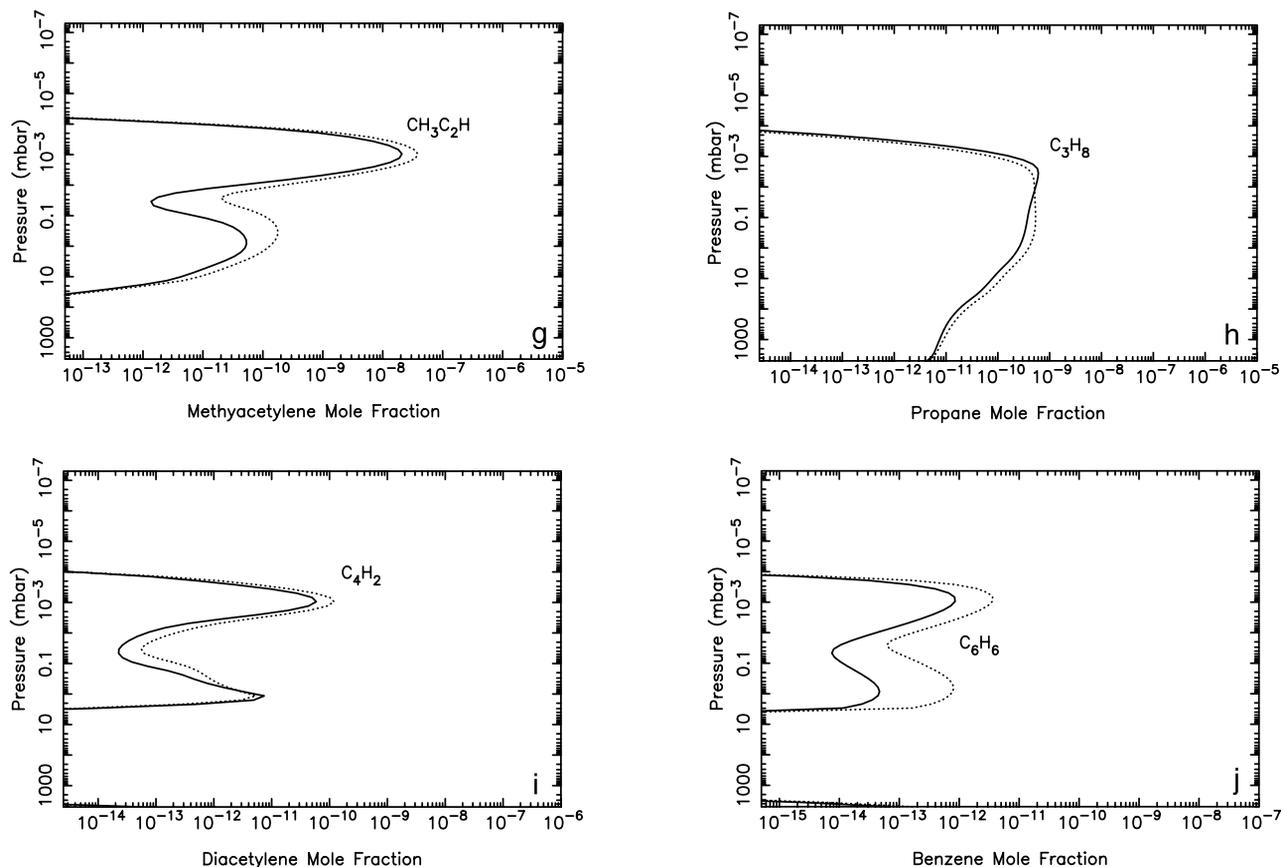
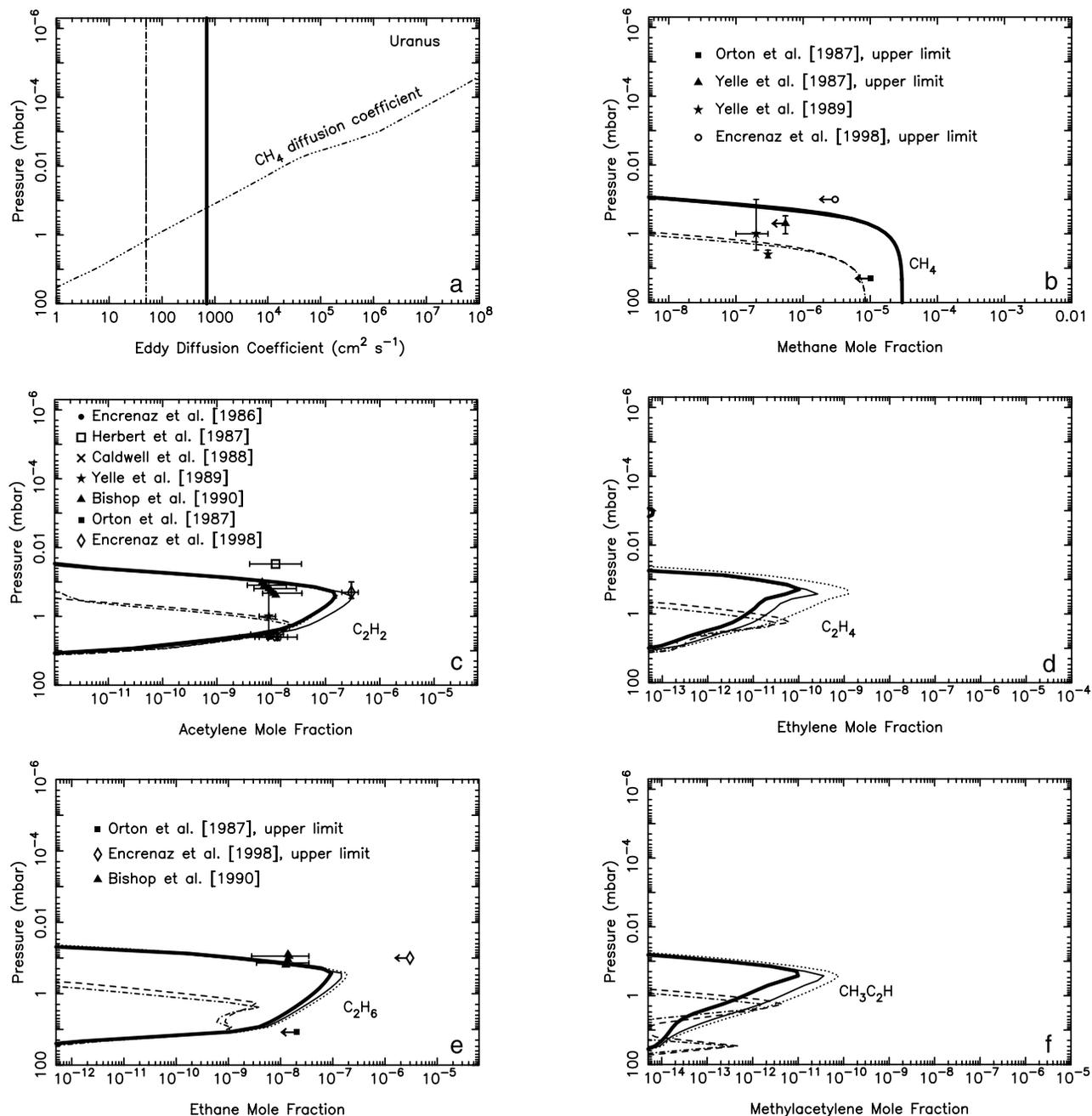


Figure 32. (continued)

one-dimensional, diurnally averaged, photochemical model that considers chemical kinetics, vertical diffusion, photodissociation, and radiative transfer processes. Our chemical reaction list is an updated and expanded version of the ones presented in the Saturn study of *Moses et al.* [2000a, 2000b] and in the Jupiter study of *Gladstone et al.* [1996]. The predictions regarding the vertical profiles of various hydrocarbons are compared with ISO observations to provide constraints for and tests of various aspects of the model. Our main goals of the modeling are to better constrain the eddy diffusion coefficient profile in Jupiter's stratosphere and to better understand the chemical reaction schemes that produce and destroy the observed constituents  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$ , and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (note that information on  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  and  $\text{CO}$  is from ground-based infrared observations rather than ISO). One strength of the ISO data that make them particularly useful for investigating photochemistry is that stratospheric temperatures can be obtained from the  $\text{CH}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2$  emissions observed simultaneously with the hydrocarbon emissions [e.g., *Fouchet et al.*, 2000b; *Lellouch et al.*, 2001]; therefore some of the ambiguities commonly associated with abundance analyses from infrared observations can be reduced. The wide wavelength coverage of the ISO-SWS allows the detection of several molecular constituents during the same observational sequence; the simultaneous detection eliminates potential problems due to temporal variability or inconsistent analysis techniques. In addition, the ISO data have high enough spectral resolution that information on the vertical slope of the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  mixing ratio profiles can be retrieved;

such information provides excellent constraints on the eddy diffusion coefficient profile and on important hydrocarbon reaction schemes. One weakness of the ISO data is the low spatial resolution: the retrieved abundances are effectively global averages. Information on horizontal (latitudinal) variations is limited and is only available for  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  [e.g., *Bézard et al.*, 2001b; *Lellouch et al.*, 2002].

[91] We have developed three photochemical models that all reproduce the ISO emission from the  $\nu_9$  band of ethane and the  $\nu_5$  band of acetylene. One difference between the models is the eddy diffusion coefficient in the upper stratosphere. The homopause location on Jupiter is currently uncertain, with information from the *Yelle et al.* [1996] analysis of the Voyager UVS occultation data and from the *Vervack et al.* [1995] and *Gladstone et al.* [1995] analyses of the Voyager and EUVE He 584 Å emission data appearing mutually inconsistent. The *Yelle et al.* [1996] analysis requires higher eddy diffusion coefficients and a homopause at higher altitudes (lower pressures) than can be supported by the observed He 584 Å brightnesses. The location of the methane homopause is an important parameter for photochemical modeling because it affects the efficiency of competing reaction schemes, including the overall effectiveness of methane recycling versus the production of higher-order hydrocarbons. New data from (1) ultraviolet occultations observed from spacecraft at Jupiter, (2) Earth-orbiting telescope ultraviolet observations of Jupiter occulting UV-bright stars, or (3) high-spectral-resolution infrared observations of Jupiter either during the occultation of an infrared-bright star [e.g., *Drossart et al.*, 2000] or more



**Figure 33.** The photochemical model results for some of the hydrocarbons on Uranus: (a) eddy diffusion coefficient profile, and mixing ratio profiles for (b)  $\text{CH}_4$ , (c)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ , (d)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ , (e)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ , and (f)  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}$ . The dotted lines represent a model that has the same chemical reaction list as the Jupiter Models A and B and an eddy diffusion coefficient of  $700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , the thin solid lines represent a model that has the same reaction list as Jupiter Model C and an eddy diffusion coefficient of  $700 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and the dotted lines represent a model that has the same reaction list as Jupiter Models A and B and an eddy diffusion coefficient of  $50 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The model represented by dot-dashed lines is the same as that for the dotted lines, except the solar zenith angle has been fixed at  $21^\circ$ . The model represented by the thick solid line is the same as that for the thin solid line, except the solar zenith angle has been fixed at  $83^\circ$ . The various data points with associated error bars represent observational measurements or upper limits, as labeled.

standard observations in the  $\nu_3 + \nu_4 - \nu_4$  band at  $\sim 3.3 \mu\text{m}$  [e.g., Drossart et al., 2001] could help resolve the ambiguity in the methane homopause level. In the meantime, forward modeling techniques using the results of new

photochemical models like the ones presented here could be applied to various existing data sets (e.g., UVS occultations,  $\text{CH}_4 \nu_3$  fluorescence data, He 584 Å emission) to check whether the models are consistent with the data. The

**Table 6.** Chemical Kinetics Needs

Number	Reaction	Comments
R5–R9	$\text{CH}_4 \xrightarrow{h\nu} \text{products}$	Need quantum yields (especially for CH) and branching ratios, especially at Ly $\alpha$ .
R10–R21	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_x \xrightarrow{h\nu} \text{products}$	Need quantum yields and branching ratios, especially in the 1500–2200 Å region.
R22–R80	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_x, \text{C}_4\text{H}_x \xrightarrow{h\nu} \text{products}$	Need low-temperature absorption cross sections and information on quantum yields/branching ratios as a function of wavelength.
R89–R93	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 \xrightarrow{h\nu} \text{products}$	Need low-temperature absorption cross sections, quantum yields, information on the pressure and temperature dependence of photolysis, and fate of the photolysis products.
R181	$2 \text{H} \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{H}_2$	Need rate coefficient at low temperatures.
R186	$\text{H} + \text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{CH}_4$	Need laboratory measurements of rate constant at low temperatures and low pressures.
R190	$\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_3$	Need laboratory measurements of rate constant at low temperatures and low pressures.
R191–R192	$\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_3 \rightarrow \text{products}$	Need to understand the relative efficiency of these two reactions at lower temperatures and lower pressures than has currently been investigated. Note that theoretical predictions differ from laboratory measurements.
R194	$\text{H} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 \xrightarrow{\text{M}} \text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	Need laboratory measurements of the rate constant at low temperatures and low pressures.
R199–R217	$\text{H} + \text{C}_3\text{H}_x \rightarrow \text{products}$	Need information on the relative efficiencies of different reaction pathways, as well as the rate coefficient at low temperature, pressure.
–	$\text{H} + \text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2 \rightarrow \text{products}$	Need information on products and rate at low temperatures and pressures.
R258–R259	$^1\text{CH}_2 + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{products}$	Need information on relative efficiencies of different pathways at low temperatures and pressures.
R328	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3 + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{H}$	Need laboratory measurements of the rate coefficient at low temperatures. Note that a wide discrepancy in room-temperature values exists from both experiments and theory.

assumptions involved in the analyses of the various data sets also need to be critically reviewed.

[92] Regardless of the homopause level, the ISO  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  observations can be used to place suitable constraints on the eddy diffusion coefficient profile in Jupiter's stratosphere. The information on the slope of the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  mixing ratio derived by ISO greatly aids this analysis, although non-uniqueness problems still hamper the modeling. Ethane is produced primarily near the methane homopause region at high altitudes. Once produced,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  is fairly stable photochemically, and its vertical profile depends to a large extent on the eddy diffusion coefficient profile. The slope and magnitude of the  $K$  profile in the upper stratosphere can be constrained from both the inferred  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  abundance at 3.5 mbar and the homopause level derived from either the He 584 Å data or the UVS  $\text{CH}_4$  data. The  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  mixing ratio in the 10-mbar region is very sensitive to  $K_{\min}$ , the minimum value of the eddy diffusion coefficient profile near the tropopause, as well as to the overall  $K$  profile in the lower stratosphere. Given the uncertainties in the chemical reaction scheme and the homopause level, as well as the nonuniqueness of the model fit, we cannot place fully robust constraints on the diffusion coefficient profile. For instance, we find it necessary to put a break in the slope of our  $K$  profiles near 1 mbar, and again at pressures below 0.1 mbar, to fit both the altitude-dependent  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  data from ISO and the homopause level inferences; however, the uncertainties in the homopause level and the reaction scheme are large enough that no concrete conclusions are extracted regarding the overall “shape” of the  $K$  profile. Nevertheless, we can say that our modeling suggests that  $K_{\min}$  must be less than  $10^3 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $K$  must be less than  $\sim 3 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$  at pressures greater than 1 mbar to remain consistent with the observed  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  abundance. In addition, lower values of  $K_h$  (i.e., a methane homopause level at low altitudes) require smaller values of  $K$  in the lower stratosphere to remain consistent with ISO  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  observations.

[93] Although our models represent an improvement over many of the previous models in terms of their fit to ISO and other observations, not all the predicted hydrocarbon abundances are consistent with the observations to within the

stated observational uncertainties. Methylacetylene is underpredicted in all models by a factor of  $\sim 3$ . Benzene is underpredicted by factors of  $\sim 2$  (Model A) to  $\sim 7$  (Model C). Ethylene is overpredicted by Model A (factor of  $\sim 2.8$ ), Model B (factor of  $\sim 2.1$ ), and Model C (factor of  $\sim 1.5$ ) as compared with the observations of *Bézard et al.* [2002b]. The models suggest that we are missing some ways to convert  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  and (especially)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  to  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  on Jupiter. We have attempted to change particular uncertain reaction rate coefficients to help lower the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  abundance in our models; however, in doing so, we always altered the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  profile in such a way that the models were no longer consistent with observations. Model C provides the best overall fit to the ISO data and has a reaction list that is the most consistent with theoretical data for certain reactions such as R190, R191, and R192. However, the adopted rate coefficient for R328 in Model C is at the high end of the theoretical/laboratory measurements, and the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  abundance is still overpredicted. More importantly, both the Model A and C reaction lists that were tested in this paper have some difficulties when applied to photochemical models of the other giant planets; that is, we again find some inconsistencies in the predicted abundances as compared with observations (especially in the case of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ ). Our model-data comparisons lead us to believe that we do not yet completely understand the photochemistry of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_x$  hydrocarbons at low temperatures and pressures in hydrogen-dominated atmospheres.

[94] Further progress in our understanding of hydrocarbon photochemistry on the outer planets hinges on the acquisition of high-quality kinetics data for several key reactions at low temperatures and pressures. Table 6 identifies some of these critical reactions. Although recent investigations have extended our knowledge of low-temperature rates in high-pressure regimes, information on the low-pressure limiting rate constant  $k_0$  for termolecular reactions is often not available, especially at low temperatures. This information is critical to studies of giant-planet photochemistry because much of the activity occurs at low stratospheric pressures. Although theoretical calculations are very helpful, the predicted rates calculated using differ-

ent techniques often diverge at low temperatures, and independent confirmation from laboratory measurements is desirable. Our knowledge of low-temperature ultraviolet photoabsorption cross sections for relevant hydrocarbons has improved greatly in the past decade or so [e.g., Wu *et al.*, 2001, 2004; Chen and Wu, 2004; Chen *et al.*, 2000; Bénilan *et al.*, 2000; Smith *et al.*, 1998; Fahr and Nayak, 1994, 1996; Smith *et al.*, 1991]. However, the photolysis branching ratios and quantum yields are often poorly known or have been investigated only at a few specific wavelengths. Sensitivity studies and “uncertainty” studies such as those presented by Smith *et al.* [2003] and Dobrijevic *et al.* [2003] are very useful in identifying the key reactions at different altitudes and in evaluating the robustness of the models as a whole.

[95] Current and future spacecraft observations (e.g., Cassini) and high-spectral-resolution Earth-based infrared observations [e.g., Greathouse *et al.*, 2005; Kostjuk *et al.*, 2003; Bézard *et al.*, 2001a, 2002b] can also improve our understanding of hydrocarbon photochemistry on the giant planets. Information on the altitude profiles of major constituents will be particularly useful for constraining the photochemical models. Mapping the latitude distribution of both short-lived and long-lived hydrocarbons will also provide important tests of the 1-D seasonal/latitudinal photochemical models [e.g., Moses and Greathouse, 2005], and will indicate whether 2-D models that include meridional transport are needed to explain the observations. Note that photochemical model comparisons with observations from Jupiter [Kunde *et al.*, 2004; Nixon *et al.*, submitted manuscript, 2005], Saturn [Greathouse *et al.*, 2005; Moses and Greathouse, 2005], and Titan [e.g., Lebonnois *et al.*, 2001; Luz *et al.*, 2003] indicate that stratospheric circulation and meridional transport can affect the latitudinal distribution of hydrocarbons on these planets. For the giant planets, the meridional transport time scales appear to be long enough that only the most photochemically stable species (e.g., C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>) are affected by meridional circulation. Photochemical models would also benefit from the acquisition of data that help pinpoint the methane homopause location across the giant planets (e.g., Cassini UVIS occultation observations) with an altitude resolution of 20 km; such observations would be important for constraining both the eddy diffusion coefficient profile and the production efficiency of higher-order hydrocarbons.

[96] Our model-data comparisons for the giant planets illustrate the importance of testing a proposed reaction scheme against available global-average data from all low-temperature, hydrogen-dominated planets for which we have hydrocarbon abundance observations. A single reaction scheme that works well for one planet may fail for another, indicating that some problems exist with the proposed scheme. Applying the hydrocarbon reaction scheme to photochemical models of Titan's stratosphere would also be illuminating. Titan's hydrocarbon photochemistry is similar in many respects to that of the giant planets, but H<sub>2</sub> is no longer the background gas, and reactions with H<sub>2</sub> and even H decline in importance. Recent studies applying the same reaction schemes to Titan and the giant planets [e.g., Lebonnois, 2005; Lee *et al.*, 2000] have highlighted several key similarities and differences in the hydrocarbon chemistry between these different classes of

objects. The comparative planetology approach to the problem provides fundamental information that may help identify the weaknesses and strengths of the proposed reaction schemes.

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