Supporting Information

Time-resolved photoelectron-diffraction imaging of methanol photodissociation involving molecular-hydrogen ejection

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Figures S.1, S.2, and S.3 show PA-MFPADs for an arbitrary single trajectory of the fragmentation channels CHO⁺ + H₂ + A⁺, as example 1, example 2, and example 3, respectively, at photoelectron energies of (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV after the formation of the doubly charged methanol ion. The color codes for the atoms in the figures are oxygen - green, carbon white, and hydrogen – blue. To guide the eye, two arrows (in each time frame) indicate the position of the peaks associated with two hydrogen atoms, which ultimately become H₂. We set the O atom at the origin, the C atom on the *z* axis (z > 0), and the center of mass of the ejected H₂ on the *zx* plane (x > 0). We see how the two H atoms come together.

Figure S.4 shows the temporal evolution of the PA-MFPADs averaged over 200 trajectories for H_2 ejection at photoelectron energies of (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV after the formation of the doubly charged methanol ion. The same reaction plane is used as in the previous figures. In this figure, the PA-MFPADs are viewed from the positive *z* axis to see the two H atoms approach y = 0 over time. The arrows (in each time frame) indicate the angles averaged over 200 trajectories for the position of H atoms, which ultimately become H_2 .



Figure S.1: Snapshots of a single-trajectory PA-MFPAD (example 1) for H₂ ejection at photoelectron energies (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV. Color code for the atoms: oxygen - green, carbon - white, and hydrogen – blue. To guide the eye, two arrows (in each time frame) indicate the position of the peaks associated with two hydrogen atoms, which ultimately become H₂. We set the O atom at the origin, the C atom on the *z* axis (z > 0), and the center of mass of the ejected H₂ on the *zx* plane (x > 0).

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Figure S.2: Snapshots of a single-trajectory PA-MFPAD (example 2) for H₂ ejection at photoelectron energies (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV. Color code for the atoms: oxygen - green, carbon - white, and hydrogen – blue. To guide the eye, two arrows (in each time frame) indicate the position of the peaks associated with two hydrogen atoms, which ultimately become H₂. We set the O atom at the origin, the C atom on the *z* axis (z > 0), and the center of mass of the ejected H₂ on the *zx* plane (x > 0).

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Figure S.3: Snapshots of a single-trajectory PA-MFPAD (example 3) for H₂ ejection at photoelectron energies (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV. Color code for the atoms: oxygen - green, carbon - white, and hydrogen – blue. To guide the eye, two arrows (in each time frame) indicate the position of the peaks associated with two hydrogen atoms, which ultimately become H₂. We set the O atom at the origin, the C atom on the *z* axis (z > 0), and the center of mass of the ejected H₂ on the *zx* plane (x > 0).

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Figure S.4: Snapshots of PA-MFPADs averaged over 200 trajectories for H₂ ejection at photoelectron energies (a) 100 eV, (b) 500 eV, and (c) 2.5 keV. The arrows (in each time frame) indicate the angles averaged over 200 trajectories for the position of H atoms which ultimately become H₂. We set the O atom at the origin, the C atom on the *z* axis (z > 0), and the center of mass of the ejected H₂ on the *zx* plane (x > 0).