THEORETICAL STUDIES OF TIME-RESOLVED PHOTOELECTRON SPECTRA OF IBr-

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In the present study, we examine the time-resolved photoelectron spectra of IBr^- . In the photodetachment studies performed by Sanov and co-workers and Lineberger and co-workers,^{*a*} the anionic species, prepared in its electronic ground state $({}^{2}\Sigma_{1/2}^{+})$, is excited to either its $\tilde{A}' ({}^{2}\Pi_{3/2})$ or $\tilde{B} ({}^{2}\Sigma_{1/2}^{+})$ excited state, before electron photodetachment and dissociation on the $\tilde{C} ({}^{1}\Pi_{1})$ or higher-lying excited states of the neutral species, respectively. In this work, we use the electronic structure program *Columbus* to calculate the six lowest electronic states of IBr⁻ and the ten lowest Σ states of IBr at the MR-SO-CISD/aug-cc-pVDZ level of theory/basis, using relativistic core potentials for I and Br. Experimentally determined electronic states of IBr are also used.^{*b*} Vibrational eigenstates for these electronic states are calculated in a discrete variable representation,^{*c*} and propagation of the thermally populated \tilde{X} -state vibrational wave functions on either the \tilde{A}' or \tilde{B} electronic states of the anion is performed using a Lanczos scheme. We then take time-dependent overlaps between these propagated states and the vibrational eigenstates of the neutral surface. Results for IBr⁻ show good agreement with the experimental time-resolved spectra. Extensions to IBr⁻ (CO₂)_{*n*} (n < 2) will also be discussed.

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