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Propargyl Radical: ab initio Anharmonic Modes and the Polarized Infrared Absorption Spectra of Matrix-Isolated HCCCH₂ BARNEY ELLISON, University of Colorado, XU ZHANG, University of Colorado, EVAN JOCHNOWITZ, University of Colorado, MARK NIMLOS¹, University of Colorado, JOHN STANTON, University of Texas, MYCHEL VARNER, University of Texas — Propargyl Radical: ab initio Anharmonic Modes and the Polarized Infrared Absorption Spectra of Matrix-Isolated HCCCH₂ The propargyl radical has twelve fundamental vibrational modes, $\Gamma(\text{vib})(\text{HCCCH}_2) = 5a_1 + 3b_1 + 4b_2$, and nine have been detected in a cryogenic matrix. Ab initio coupled-cluster anharmonic force field calculations were used to help guide the assignments. The experimental HCCCH₂ matrix frequencies (cm⁻¹) and polarizations are: a₁ modes - 3308.5 +/- 0.5, 3028.3 +/- 0.6, 1935.4 +/- 0.4, 1440.4 +/- 0.5, 1061.6 +/- 0.8; b₁ modes - 686.6 +/- 0.4, 483.6 +/- 0.5; b₂ modes - 1016.7 +/- 0.4, 620 +/- 2. We recommend a complete set of gas-phase vibrational frequencies for the propargyl radical, HCCCH₂ X 2B1.

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