# Longkun Xu

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#### EDUCATION

#### Australian National University

Canberra, Australia

Ph.D. in Chemistry, Advisor: Prof. Michelle Coote

October 2018-Current

- Expected thesis: "Toward improving the accuracy of implicit solvent models and understanding the electrostatic catalysis in complex solvent environment"
- Structure and properties of ionic liquids under external electric field
- Electrostatic catalysis in complex solvent environment
- Improving the accuracy of implicit solvent models

## Sichuan University

Chengdu, China

M.S. in Applied Chemistry, GPA: 3.72/4.00

September 2015-June 2018

- Thesis: "Theoretical study on the non-equilibrium solvation effects on the charge-transfer excited state"
- Non-equilibrium solvation and solvent reorganization

#### Qingdao Agricultural University

Qingdao, China

B.S. in Material Chemistry, GPA: 3.20/4.00

September 2011-June 2015

- Thesis: "Synthesis of biodegradable polymers and its application in drug delivery"

# EMPLOYMENT

#### **MDPI** Publisher

Beijing, China

Assistant Editor

July 2018 to September 2018

- Assistant Editor
- As an assistant editor for journals Materials and High-throughput, I helped manage the review process of the manuscript of the two journals. Also I was involved in the setting up of the special issues of the journals.

#### Publications

- [1] Yan B Vogel, Cameron W Evans, Mattia Belotti, **Longkun Xu**, Isabella C Russell, Li-Juan Yu, Alfred KK Fung, Nicholas S Hill, Nadim Darwish, Vinicius R Gonçales, Michelle L. Coote, K. Swaminathan Iyer and Simone Ciampi. "The Corona of A Surface Bubble Promotes Electrochemical Reactions" *Nat. Commun.* **2020** 11 (1), 1–8. (**First Computational Author**)
- [2] **Longkun Xu**, Ekaterina I Izgorodina and Michelle L Coote. "Ordered Solvents and Ionic Liquids Can be Harnessed for Electrostatic Catalysis" *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2020** 142 (29), 12826–12833.
- [3] Longkun Xu and Michelle L Coote. "Improving the Accuracy of PCM-UAHF and PCM-UAKS Calculations Using Optimized Electrostatic Scaling Factors" *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* **2019** 15 (12), 6958-6967.
- [4] Longkun Xu and Michelle L Coote. "Methods To Improve the Calculations of Solvation Model Density Solvation Free Energies and Associated Aqueous pKa Values: Comparison between Choosing an Optimal Theoretical Level, Solute Cavity Scaling, and Using Explicit Solvent Molecules" J. Phys. Chem. A. 2019 123 (34), 7430-7438.

- [5] Ting-Jun Bi, Long-Kun Xu, Fan Wang and Xiang-Yuan Li. "Solvent effects for vertical absorption and emission processes in solution using a self-consistent state specific method based on constrained equilibrium thermodynamics" *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* 2018 20 (19), 13178-13190. (2018 PCCP HOT Articles)
- [6] Mei-Jun Ming, Long-Kun Xu, Fan Wang, Ting-Jun Bi and Xiang-Yuan Li. "Theoretical study on electronic excitation spectra: A matrix form of numerical algorithm for spectral shift" *Chem. Phys.* **2017** 492, 27-34.
- [7] Long-Kun Xu, Ting-Jun Bi, Mei-Jun Ming, Jing-Bo Wang and Xiang-Yuan Li. "Photoinduced charge-transfer electronic excitation of tetracyanoethylene/tetramethylethylene complex in dichloromethane" *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **2017** 679, 158-163.
- [8] Ting-Jun Bi, Long-Kun Xu, Fan Wang, Mei-Jun Ming and Xiang-Yuan Li. "Solvent effects on excitation energies obtained using the state-specific TD-DFT method with a polarizable continuum model based on constrained equilibrium thermodynamics" *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **2017** 19 (48), 32242-32252.

# Teaching

• Teaching Assistant at Sichuan University Physical Chemistry Spring 2016

### SKILLS

- Scientific Programming: Shell, Python, Fortran, etc.
- Machine Learning: scikit-learn, TensorFlow, etc.
- Data Science: Pandas, NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib, MySQL, MongoDB, etc.
- Scientific Writing: LaTex, Word, Markdown, etc.
- Computational Chemistry:
- Quantum Chemistry (Gaussian, ORCA, Q-Chem, GAMESS-US, Molpro, xtb, MOPAC, COSMOtherm, ADF, etc.)
- Molecular Dynamics (LAMMPS, TRAVIS, etc.)
- Material Modelling (VASP, etc.)
- Wave Function Analysis (Multiwfn, etc.)
- Molecular Visualization (Gauss View, IQmol, CYLview, VMD, PyMol, Avogadro, etc.)
- Quantum Computing: basic knowledge of quantum computer and IBM quantum

#### LANGUAGES

• Chinese: First language

• English: Second language, IELTS 7.0

# SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

• Postgraduate Research Support	2020
• HDR Fee Remission Merit Scholarship	2018-2021
• ANU PhD Scholarship (International)	2018–2021
• Second Class Scholarship for Gruduate Student	2015-2018
• Hailier Scholarship for Outstanding Students	2013

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

• Reviewer of The Journal of Physical Chemistry

2019-Current

• Member of Chinese Chemical Society

2017-Current