# Hugh G. A. Burton

## **EMPLOYMENT**

10/2020 - Present | **Astor Junior Research Fellow in Chemistry** 

New College, Oxford, UK **Academic Visitor** 

Department of Chemistry, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

04/2020 - 08/2020 | Postdoctoral Research Associate

Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Supervisor: Prof. David Wales

**08/2018 – 10/2018** | **Research Internship** 

Q-Chem Inc., 6601 Owens Drive, Pleasanton, CA, USA

## **EDUCATION**

2013 - 16

10/2016 - 04/2020 | **PhD in Chemistry**, Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge, UK

Title: Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: Moving Beyond the Coulson–Fischer Point

Supervisor: Dr Alex Thom

10/2012 - 06/2016 | MA and MSci, Natural Sciences, Robinson College, University of Cambridge, UK

 4th Year:
 1st Class
 (3rd out of 58)

 3rd Year:
 1st Class
 (3rd out of 91)

 2nd Year:
 1st Class
 (5th out of 564)

 1st Year:
 1st Class
 (9th out of 614)

# Awards, Fellowships, and Funding

2020-Present Astor Junior Research Fellow in Chemistry, New College, Oxford

Awarded a highly competitive, stipendiary Research Fellowship for three years to indepen-

dently develop my research proposal.

2016–2020 Vice-Chancellor's Award, Cambridge Trust, University of Cambridge

Fully-funded three-year PhD scholarship awarded in recognition of an outstanding under-

graduate performance as one of the highest scoring applicants.

Summer 2015 Undergraduate Research Bursary, Royal Society of Chemistry

Funding for an 8-week summer research project, awarded to students with the greatest

research potential.

2013-2020 Robinson College, University of Cambridge

• Elected into College Senior Scholarship (2016–2020)

• Lewis Prize in Chemistry (2016)

• Warden's Prize (2014)

• College Prize for Natural Sciences (2014)

• College Prize (2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016)

• Elected into College Scholarship (2013–2016)

Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge

• Best first-year PhD peer-to-peer presentation (2016)

• Gordon Wigan Prize for an outstanding performance in Part III Chemistry (2016)

• BP Prize for an outstanding performance in Part II Chemistry (2015)

• BP Prize for an outstanding performance in Part IB Chemistry B (2014)

• BP Prize for an outstanding performance in Part IB Chemistry A (2014)

## **Publications**

- [14] **H. G. A. Burton**, C. Marut, T. J. Daas, P. Gori-Giorgi, and P.-F. Loos *Submitted to J. Chem. Phys.* (2021) Variations of the Hartree–Fock Fractional-Spin Error for One Electron
- [13] **H. G. A. Burton**, J. Chem. Phys. **154**, 144109, (2021)
  Generalised Nonorthogonal Matrix Elements: Unifying Wick's Theorem and the Slater–Condon Rules
- [12] **H. G. A. Burton**, J. Chem. Phys. **154**, 111103, (2021)
  Hartree–Fock Critical Nuclear Charge in Two-Electron Atoms [2021 Emerging Investigators Special Collection]
- [11] A. Marie, **H. G. A. Burton**, and P.-F. Loos, *J. Phys. Condens. Matter* **33**, 283001, (2021) Perturbation Theory in the Complex Plane: Exceptional Points and Where to Find Them
- [10] **H. G. A. Burton** and D. J. Wales, *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* **17**, 151, (2021) Energy Landscapes for Electronic Structure
- [9] R. A. Zarotiadis, **H. G. A. Burton** and A. J. W. Thom, *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* **16**, 7400, (2020) Towards a Holomorphic Density-Functional Theory
- [8] H. G. A. Burton and A. J. W. Thom, J. Chem. Theory Comput. 16, 5586, (2020)
  Reaching Full Correlation through Nonorthogonal Configuration Interaction: A Second-Order Perturbative Approach
- [7] H. G. A. Burton and A. J. W. Thom, J. Chem. Theory Comput. 15, 4851, (2019)
  General Approach for Multireference Ground and Excited States using Nonorthogonal Configuration Interaction
- [6] **H. G. A. Burton**, A. J. W. Thom and P.-F. Loos, *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* **15**, 4374, (2019) Parity-Time Symmetry in Hartree–Fock Theory [Selected for cover illustration]
- [5] S. Cardamone, J. R. R. Kimmitt, H. G. A. Burton, T. J. Todman, S. Li, W. Luk and A. J. W. Thom, Int. J. Quantum Chem. 119, e25853, (2019)
  Field-programmable gate arrays and quantum Monte Carlo: Power efficient coprocessing for scalable high-performance computing
- [4] **H. G. A. Burton**, A. J. W. Thom and P.-F. Loos, J. Chem. Phys. **150**, 041103, (2019) Complex Adiabatic Connection: A Hidden Non-Hermitian Path from Ground to Excited States
- [3] **H. G. A. Burton**, M. Gross and A. J. W. Thom, J. Chem. Theory Comput. **14**, 607, (2018) Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: The Nature of Two-Electron Problems
- [2] Y. Liu, R. Ganti, **H. G. A. Burton**, X. Zhang, W. Wang, and D. Frenkel, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **119**, 224502, (2017) Microscopic Marangoni Flows Cannot Be Predicted on the Basis of Pressure Gradients
- [1] **H. G. A. Burton** and A. J. W. Thom, J. Chem. Theory Comput. **12**, 167, (2016) Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: An Inherently Multireference Approach

## **EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Oral Presentations:**

## (\* Invited speaker)

- [8] \* July 2021 Computational Chemistry Seminar, University of Cardiff, UK: Energy Landscape of Electronic Structure Theory
- [7] \* June 2021 Theoretical Physics Colloquium, Universität Duisburg–Essen, Germany: Energy Landscape of Electronic Structure Theory
- [6] March 2021 Faraday Joint Interest Group Conference, Sheffield, UK: Efficient Potential Energy Surfaces using Multiple Hartree–Fock Solutions
- [5] \* Feburary 2021 QuNB Seminar, University of New Brunswick, Canada: Strong Correlation using Multiple Hartree–Fock Solutions
- [4] \* October 2019 LCPQ Seminar Series, Université Paul Sabatier, France: Multireference Ground and Excited States using Multiple Hartree–Fock Solutions
- [3] \* August 2018 Head–Gordon Group Seminar, University of California, Berkeley, USA: Holomorphic Hartree-Fock Theory: Exploiting Symmetry-Breaking in Non-Orthogonal CI
- [2] June 2018 Satellite meeting to the 16th International Congress of Quantum Chemistry, Strasbourg, France: Holomorphic Hartree-Fock Theory: Strong Correlation and the Existence of Multiple Hartree-Fock Solutions
- [1] \* October 2017 Theory Research Interest Group, Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge, UK: Holomorphic Hartree-Fock Theory: Exploiting Multiple SCF Solutions for Non-Orthogonal Configuration Interaction

#### **Poster Presentations:**

- [5] July 2019 10th Congress of the International Society for Theoretical Chemical Physics (Tromsø, Norway): "Non-Hermitian Quantum Chemistry: Electronic Structure in the Complex Domain"
- [4] June 2019 9th Molecular Quantum Mechanics Conference (Heidelberg, Germany): "Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: A General Approach for Multireference Systems"
- [3] June 2018 16th International Congress of Quantum Chemistry (Menton, France): "Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: Restoration of Excited States using NOCI"
- [2] August 2017 11th Triennial Congress of the World Association of Theoretical and Computational Chemistry (Münich, Germany):
  - "Holomorphic Hartree-Fock Theory: Beyond the Coulson-Fischer Point"
- [1] March 2017 Computational Molecular Science 2017 (Warwick, UK): "Holomorphic Hartree–Fock Theory: Beyond the Coulson–Fischer Point"

# Major Collaborations

- Dr Pierre-François Loos Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France
- Prof. David Wales University of Cambridge, UK
- Prof. Stijn De Baerdemacker University of New Brunswick, Canada
- Prof. Eric Neuscamman University of California, Berkeley, USA

# OUTREACH, SERVICE, AND ENGAGEMENT

## **Quantum Chemistry Software Development:**

- Software developer for the commercial quantum-chemistry program Q-Chem, based in California, USA.
- Awarded a competitive internship at Q-Chem to develop my PhD research into a production code for the wider academic and industrial science community, now available on the latest global release.

#### **Academic Peer Review:**

- Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters
- Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation

## **Departmental Representation:**

• Student representative on the Chemistry Consultative Committee at the University of Cambridge (2013-14)

#### **Outreach and Admissions:**

- Student representative at the Robinson College admissions conference for teachers (2019)
- Chemistry demonstrator for the Cambridge Science Festival (2015)
- Student guide for the Robinson College undergraduate open days (2013–2015)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# **Supervision of Research Projects:**

2021-22	Principal supervisor for an upcoming Erasmus Masters student.
2021-22	Principal supervisor for an upcoming integrated masters research project.
Summer 2021	Principal supervisor for a 6-week summer undergraduate research project.
2019-20	Day-to-day supervisor for a 16-week undergraduate research project.
2018-19	Day-to-day supervisor for an Erasmus Masters student, resulting in a publication.
2018-19	Day-to-day supervisor for a 16-week undergraduate research project.
Summer 2017	Day-to-day supervisor for an 8-week summer undergraduate research project.

## **Undergraduate Teaching:**

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2018-20	Supervisor for third-year theoretical chemistry course on symmetry.
2017-18	Laboratory demonstrator for third-year theoretical chemistry.
2016-17	Supervisor for second-year physical and theoretical chemistry course.
2016-19	Supervisor for first-year general chemistry course.
2016-17	Laboratory demonstrator for first-year general chemistry.