Patrick J. Lestrange

Researcher · Developer

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Education

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Ph.D. in Chemistry

Sept. 2012 - June 2017

Thesis: Modeling core excitations and preserving spin symmetry in molecular systems

- Developed models to describe high energy spectroscopies and accurately represent experimental findings
 Helped develop open-source software (Chronus Quantum on Github) to solve multivariate optimization problems in order to predict the properties of quantum mechanical systems

York College of Pennsylvania

York, PA

B.S. in Chemistry - Magna Cum Laude

Sept. 2008 - May 2012

Skills

Scientific Communication 8 peer-reviewed publications, 9 conference presentations

Collaborative Work Established relationships with other research groups resulting in 5 publications

Mentoring Mentored 1 high school, 2 undergraduate, and 6 graduate students

Systems Administration Maintained a 96 node compute cluster with >300 users in >20 academic departments

Technical Editing Significant editing of others' papers, grants, award applications, etc. **Programming** Python (numpy, scipy, pandas), Perl, C++, Fortran, Javascript, SQL, LaTeX

Relevant Experience _____

Aarhus University

Aarhus, Denmark

Visiting Scholar

Aug. 2016 - Oct. 2016

Gaussian, Inc.

Wallingford, CT

Software Developer

Summer 2012 & Winter 2013

- Worked with industry professionals to develop new methods to model quantum mechanical systems
- · Implemented these techniques in a commercial software package leading to several publications

Publications

- 9. J. J. Goings, **P. J. Lestrange**, X. Li, "Real-Time Time-dependent Electronic Structure Theory." *Submitted*.
- 8. **P. J. Lestrange**, M. R. Hoffmann, X. Li, "Time-dependent Configuration Interaction using the Graphical Unitary Group Approach: Nonlinear Electric Properties." *Adv. Quantum Chem.*, **2017**, *Just Accepted*.
- 7. D. B. Lingerfelt, **P. J. Lestrange**, J. J. Radler, S. E. Brown-Xu, P. Kim, F. N. Castellano, L. X. Chen, X. Li, "Can Excited State Electronic Coherence be Tuned via Molecular Structural Modification? A First-Principles Quantum Electronic Dynamics Study of Pyrazolate-Bridged Pt(II) Dimers." *J. Phys. Chem. A*, **2017**, *121*, 1932-1939.
- 6. L. X. Chen, M. L. Shelby, **P. J. Lestrange**, N. E. Jackson, M. W. Mara, K. Haldrup, A. B. Stickrath, D. Zhu, H. Lemke, M. Chollet, B. M. Hoffman, X. Li, "Imaging Ultrafast Excited State Pathways in Transition Metal Complexes by X-ray Transient Absorption and Scattering Using X-ray Free Electron Laser Source." *Faraday Discuss.*, **2016**, *194*, 639-659.
- 5. M. L. Shelby, **P. J. Lestrange**, N. E. Jackson, M. W. Mara, K. Haldrup, A. B. Stickrath, D. Zhu, H. Lemke, B. M. Hoffman, X. Li, L. X. Chen, "Ultrafast Processes in the Relaxation of a Nickel(II) Porphyrin Described by Femtosecond X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2016**, *138*, 8752-8764. **Featured in JACS Spotlights*. DOI: 10.1021/jacs.6b07111
- 4. **P. J. Lestrange**, F. Egidi, X. Li, "The Consequences of Improperly Describing Oscillator Strengths Beyond the Electric Dipole Approximation." *J. Chem. Phys.*, **2015**, *143*, 234103.

- 3. B. Peng, **P. J. Lestrange**, J. J. Goings, M. Caricato, X. Li, "Energy-Specific Equation-of-Motion Coupled-Cluster Methods for High-Energy Excited States: Application to K-edge X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy." *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, **2015**, *11*, 4146-4153.
- 2. **P. J. Lestrange**, P. D. Nguyen, X. Li, "Calibration of Energy-Specific TDDFT for Modeling K-edge XAS Spectra of Light Elements." *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, **2015**, *11*, 2994-2999.
- 1. **P. J. Lestrange**, B. Peng, F. Ding, G. W. Trucks, M. J. Frisch, X. Li, "Density of States Guided Møller–Plesset Perturbation Theory." *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, **2014**, *10*, 1910-1914.

Presentations

- Apr. 2017 **P. J. Lestrange**, D. B. Williams-Young, X. Li, "An Efficient Implementation of Variation San Francisco, CA After Projection Generalized Hartree-Fock." Poster presentation at 253rd ACS National Meeting. *Awarded the ACS Chemical Computing Group Excellence Award.
- Apr. 2016 **P. J. Lestrange**, "Tracking electronic dynamics with X-rays." Oral presentation at York York, PA College of Pennsylvania.
- Dec. 2015 **P. J. Lestrange**, X. Li, "Transition properties in X-ray spectroscopy." Oral presentation at *Honolulu, HI* Pacifichem 2015.
- Aug. 2014 **P. J. Lestrange**, D. B. Lingerfelt, P. D. Nguyen, X. Li, "Electronic excitations in transition San Francisco, CA metal complexes." Poster presentation at 248th ACS National Meeting.
- Aug. 2014 **P. J. Lestrange**, "Shaping the climate change conversation through social media." San Francisco, CA Oral presentation at 248th ACS National Meeting.
- Sept. 2013 **P. J. Lestrange**, X. Li, "Density of States Guided Second-Order Møller-Plesset Palermo, Italy Perturbation Theory." Poster at European Summer School of Quantum Chemistry.
- Mar. 2012 **P. J. Lestrange**, J. B. Foresman, "New benchmarks for calibrating methods used to simulate VCD spectra." Poster presentation at 243rd ACS National Meeting.
- Mar. 2012 **P. J. Lestrange**, K. Peterman, G. Foy, "Student climate change engagement via UN San Diego, CA platform." Panel discussion at 243rd ACS National Meeting.
- Aug. 2011 **P. J. Lestrange**, T. Cumming, G. Foy, "Sustainability and IYC-2011: A York College Chemistry Society production." Oral presentation at 242nd ACS National Meeting.

Honors & Awards

- 2017 **Excellence Award**, American Chemical Society Chemical Computing Group
- 2016 Independent Study Fellowship, Scan Design Foundation
- 2015 **Clean Energy Institute Graduate Fellowship**, University of Washington
- 2014 **Brian R. Reid Endowed Fellowship**, University of Washington
- 2014 **Honorable Mention**, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2013 Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2012 **Benton Seymour Rabinovitch Endowed Fellowship**, University of Washington
- 2012 Outstanding Chemistry Major, Southeastern Pennsylvania Section of the ACS
- 2010-2016 Robert A. Grassman Scholarship, Steamfitters Local 475

Affiliations ___

Hyak Supercomputer Governance Board

Board Member

High Performance Computing Club

Vice President and Founding Officer

U. of Washington 2016-2017

U. of Washington 2016-2017

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