

# Yifan Shen

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## Employment

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**Apple Inc.**, Seattle, Washington

· Deep Learning Software Engineer

January 2023 –

**Meta Platforms Inc.**, New York, New York

· Software Engineer Machine Learning Intern

May 2022 – August 2022

## Education

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**Johns Hopkins University**, Baltimore, Maryland

· Ph. D. in Quantum Chemistry

August 2018 – December 2022

· M. A. in Quantum Chemistry

August 2018 – August 2022

**Zhejiang University**, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China

· B. S. in Chemistry, minor in Physics, Qiushi honors program

September 2014 – July 2018

## Skills

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Machine learning, parallel supercomputing, quantum modeling

· Machine learning framework: PyTorch, TensorFlow, JAX, Core ML

· Programming language: C++, Python, Fortran, Bash

· Parallel programming language: OpenMP, MPI

· Supercomputing library: Math Kernel Library, LAPACK, BLAS

## Awards

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· National Science Foundation, CHE-1663692

· National Science Foundation, CHE-1954723

· National Science Foundation, CBET-1603851

· National Natural Science Foundation of China, 21703202

## Peer Reviews

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· Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling, 2 times

· Molecular Physics, 4 times

· International Journal of Quantum Chemistry, 1 time

## Publications

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6. **Y. Shen**, D. R. Yarkony. Unified Description of the Jahn–Teller Effect in Molecules with Only  $C_s$  Symmetry: Cyclohexoxy in Its Full 48-Dimensional Internal Coordinates. Journal of Physical Chemistry A, 2022

5. **Y. Shen**, D. R. Yarkony. Compact Bases for Vibronic Coupling in Spectral Simulations: The Photoelectron Spectrum of Cyclopentoxide in the Full 39 Internal Modes. Journal of Physical

Chemistry Letters, 2020

4. **Y. Shen**, D. R. Yarkony. Construction of Quasi-diabatic Hamiltonians That Accurately Represent *ab Initio* Determined Adiabatic Electronic States Coupled by Conical Intersections for Systems on the Order of 15 Atoms: Application to Cyclopentoxide Photoelectron Detachment in the Full 39 Degrees of Freedom. Journal of Physical Chemistry A, 2020

3. **Y. Shen**, L. Wang. Semiclassical Moyal dynamics. Journal of Chemical Physics, 2018

2. K. Shi, **Y. Shen**, E. E. Santiso, K. E. Gubbins. Microscopic Pressure Tensor in Cylindrical Geometry: Pressure of Water in a Carbon Nanotube. Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation, 2020

1. K. Shi, K. Gu, **Y. Shen**, D. Srivastava, E. E. Santiso, K. E. Gubbins. High-density Equation of State for a 2-Dimensional Lennard-Jones Solid. Journal of Chemical Physics, 2018

## **Projects**

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### **Nested Tensors**

- A new PyTorch feature to batch heterogeneous-length data, important for sequential models
- Define nested tensor as an implicit batch of variable-length data tensors
- Define nested tensor operation as batched operation on underlying data tensors
- Define nested tensor memory layout as contiguous buffer with offsets, sizes, and strides
- Expand operation support to enable multi-head attention inference and training
- PyTorch nested tensor tutorial <https://pytorch.org/tutorials/prototype/nestedtensor>

### **A Machine-Learning Model for Quantum Chemistry**

- Previously, quantum simulation has to trade accuracy for efficiency
- Machine learning provides the potential to carry out fast and accurate quantum simulation
- Design a special neural network architecture to go beyond Born-Oppenheimer approximation
- Define a general and flexible loss function to guide machine to learn
- Apply regularization to deal with overfitting: no unphysical prediction out of training set
- Use OpenMP (multi-threaded parallel programming) to boost training performance
- Open-source code [fortran-library](#): mathematical & chemical routines with c++ & python API
- Open-source code [foptim](#): fortran nonlinear optimization library with c++ API

### **A Machine-Learning Pipeline from Training Models to Predicting Spectra on Supercomputers**

- Use parallel supercomputing to obtain the training set for machine to learn
- Implement an efficient Lanczos solver to diagonalize the large-scale sparse Hamiltonian matrix
- Apply binary search / hash map to efficiently construct matrix elements
- Use OpenMP (multi-threaded parallel programming) to boost solver performance
- Open-source code [torch-chemistry](#): chemistry kernel library based on PyTorch
- Open-source code [cpp-library](#): argument parser & basic templates & operator overloads etc.
- Open-source code [vibronics](#): vibronic spectrum simulation package

### **Simulate High-Pressure Effects in Nano Materials**

- The pressure can go as high as 5,000 standard atmospheres in nano materials
- However, previously there was no theory to compute the pressure for the mesoscopic world
- Modify the Irving-Kirkwood theory to compute the micro-dimension pressure tensor element

- Modify the Harasima theory to compute the macro-dimension pressure tensor element
- Combine the micro and the macro elements to produce the whole mesoscopic pressure
- Open-source code mc: Monte Carlo simulation package for canonical ensembles

### **Semiclassical Moyal Dynamics**

- Quantum dynamics is accurate but slow; classical dynamics is fast but inaccurate
- Semiclassical dynamics provides a way to control the balance between accuracy and efficiency
- Rewrite the Heisenberg equations of motion with the quantum phase-space formulation
- Moyal bracket gives the hierarchical equations connecting low- and high-order expectations
- Construct phase-space distribution from low-order expectations by machine learning
- Estimate high-order expectations from the machine-learning phase-space distribution
- Open-source code onedimdvr: numerically solve the time-dependent Schrödinger equation
- Open-source code mcsmd: multi-centred semiclassical Moyal dynamics