

Supporting Information for

The Stability and Reaction Mechanism of LiF/Electrolyte Interface: Insight from Density Functional Theory

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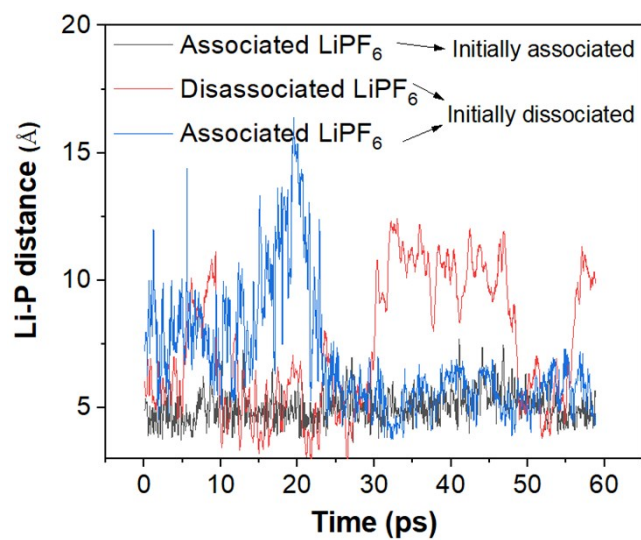


Figure S1. Li–P distance as a function of time for trajectories that are initially dissociated or associated. The simulation system consisted of 20 EC molecules, 20 DMC molecules, and 8 LiPF₆ with a density of 1.21 g/cc and a concentration of 1.0 M. After a 60 ps NVT simulation (T = 400 K), two in eight LiPF₆ are dissociated.

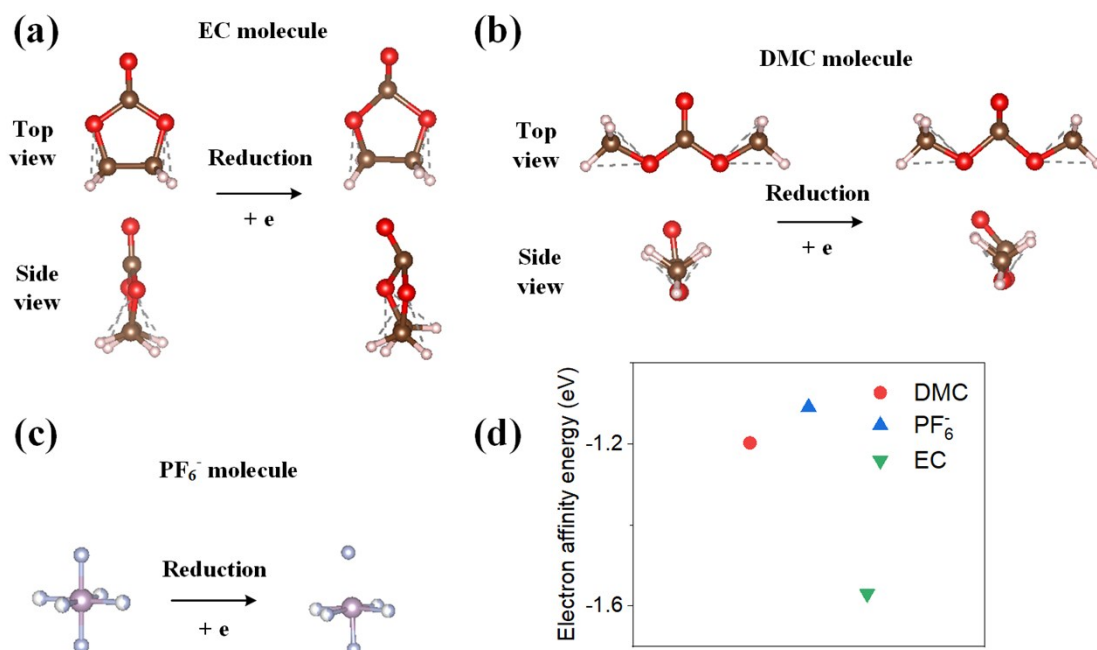


Figure S2. Optimized structure of EC, DMC and PF₆⁻, before and after reduction, together with the calculated electron affinity energies.

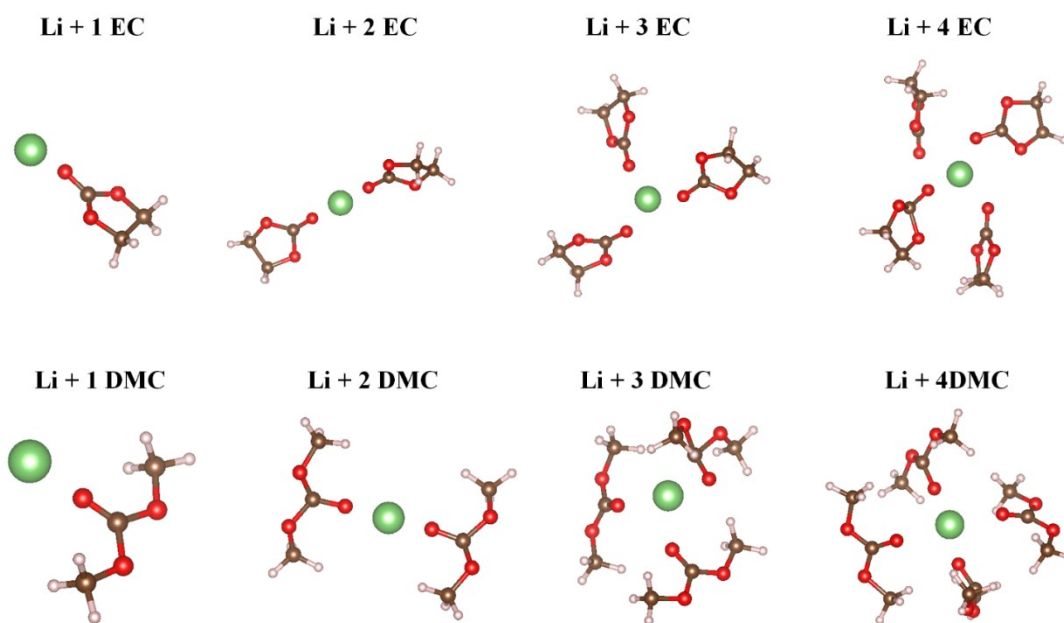


Figure S3. Optimized structures of (Li⁺ : n solvent) solvation shell.

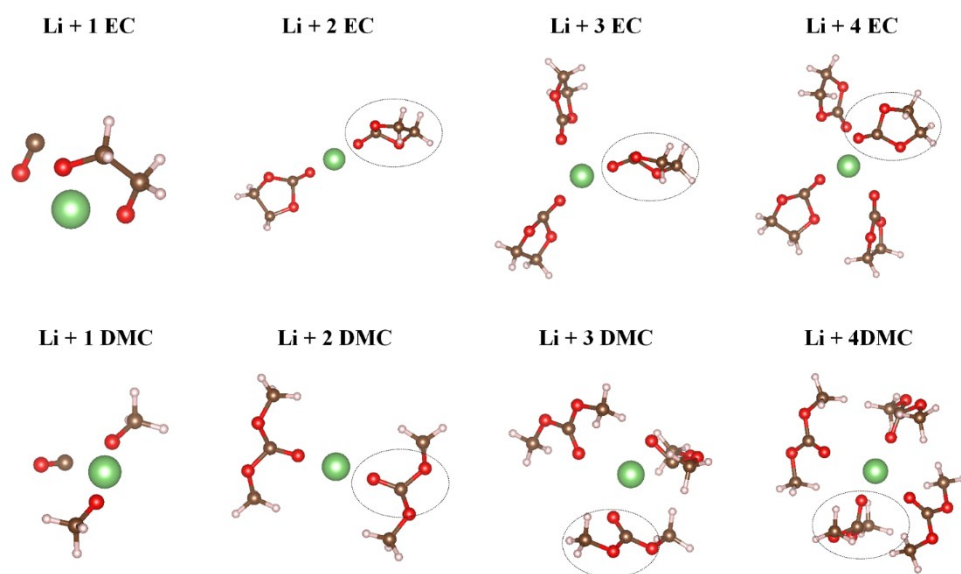


Figure S4. Optimized structures of ($\text{Li}^+:\text{n}$ solvent) solvation shells after one electron reduction reaction. The gained electron is mainly distributed on the solvent highlighted with dotted circle.

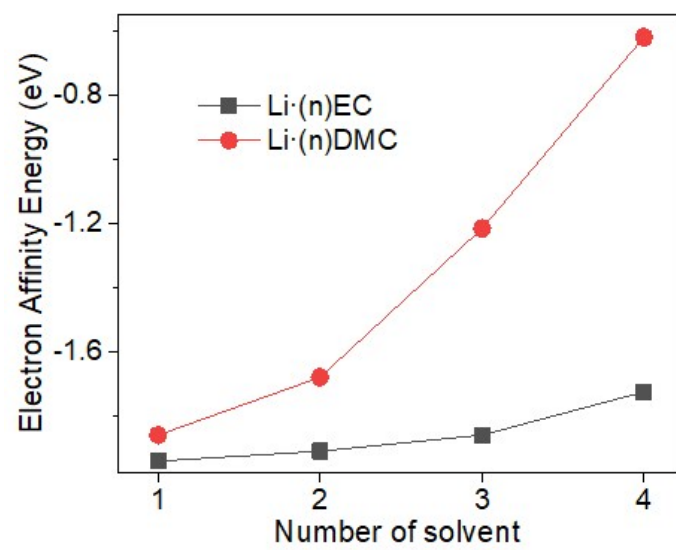


Figure S5. Calculated electron affinity energy of ($\text{Li}^+:\text{n}$ solvent) ($n = 1\sim 4$) solvation.

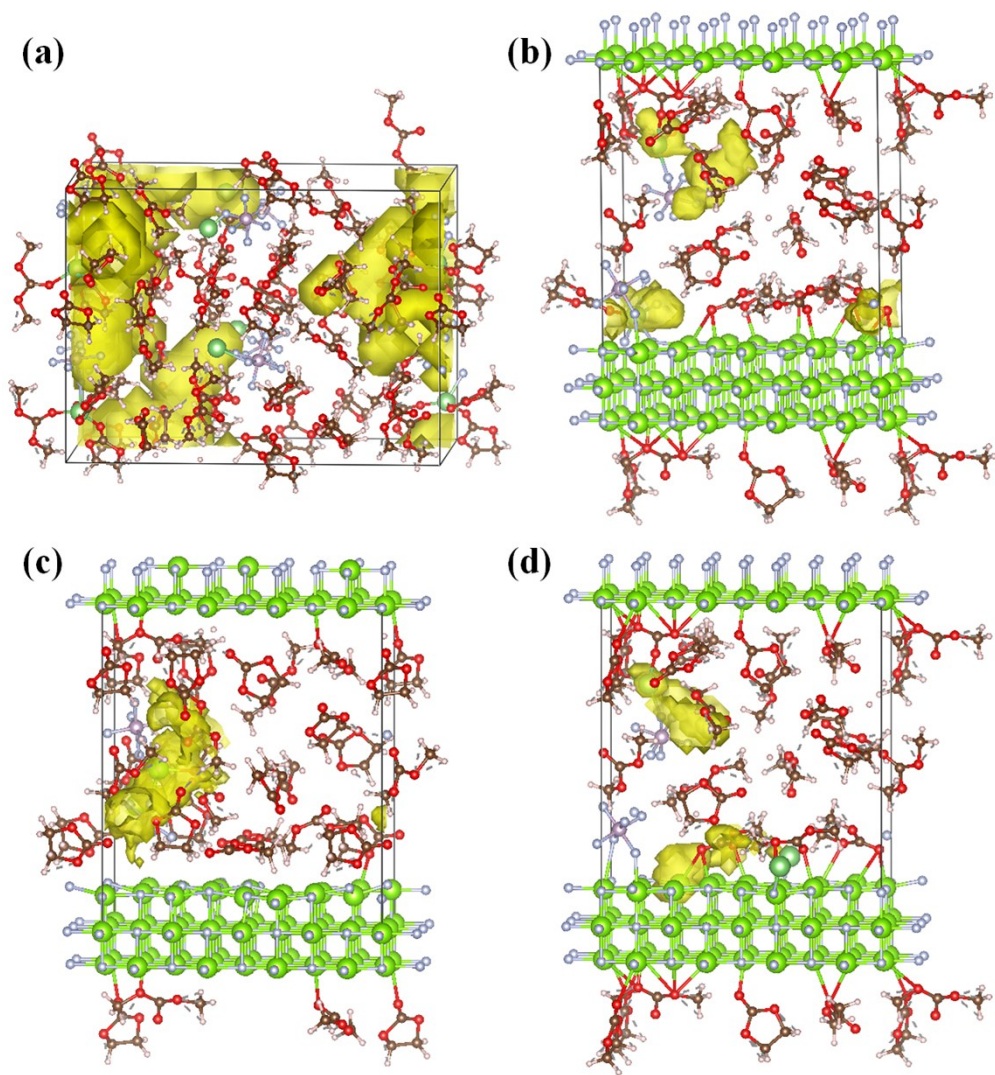


Figure S6. Side view of Li-ion trajectory density ($1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ isosurface level) obtained by NVT AIMD simulation at 500 K. (a) LE, (b-d) three kinds of different LiF/LE interfaces.

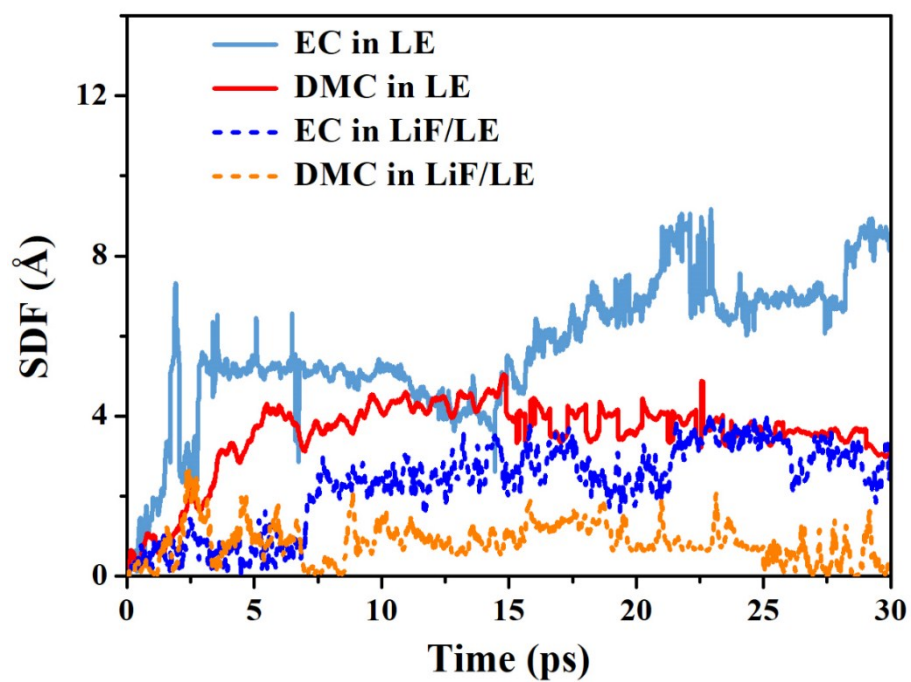


Figure S7. The site displacement function (SDF) for EC and DMC motion (by tracking C atoms) from NVT AIMD simulation at 800 K in LE (solid lines) and LiF/LE interface (dash lines).