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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy

🏛️ Technical University of Denmark - DTU 📅 April 2023 – March 2026 📍 Denmark

Supervisors: Dr. Arghya Bhowmik, Prof. Juan Maria Garcia Lastra; Department of Energy Conversion and Storage, DTU.

Project Title: 'Deep Generative Models for Inverse Design of Solid Electrolytes'

Post Graduate Diploma in Materials Science

🏛️ Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research(JNCASR) 📅 September 2021 – August 2022 📍 India

Supervisor: Prof. Shobhana Narasimhan; Professor, Theoretical Sciences Unit, JNCASR.

Project Title: 'First Principles Study of Dissolution of Platinum in Water'.

Master of Science in PHYSICS

🏛️ Indian Institute of Technology - BHU 📅 2019 – 2021 📍 India

- GPA: 9.44/10
- Thesis: 'Density Functional Theory Study of Topological Materials'.

Bachelor of Science in PHYSICS

🏛️ Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology 📅 2016 – 2019 📍 India

- GPA: 8.87/10
- Dissertation: 'Designing Class-A Power Amplifier for High Frequency Applications'.

EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Researcher

💻 Technical University of Denmark - DTU 📅 April 2023 – Present 📍 Lyngby, Denmark

Supervisor: Prof. Juan Maria Garcia Lastra and Dr. Arghya Bhowmik; DTU Energy, DTU.

Projects:

- Inverse design of solid electrolytes and cathodes for Li-ion batteries.
- High-throughput materials discovery using physics informed deep learning models

Exchange PhD Student

💻 Department of ENG., University of Cambridge 📅 April 2025 – August 2025 📍 Cambridge, United Kingdom

Group: Computational Mechanics; Prof. Gábor Csányi

Project:

- Universal Electrostatic MACE (*On going*)

Visiting PhD Student

💻 École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) 📅 November 2023 – December 2024 📍 Lausanne, Switzerland

Group: THEOS, EPFL; Prof. Nicola Marzari

Materials Design Intern (Research Engineer)

💻 QPIVOLTA TECHNOLOGIES PVT LTD 📅 July 2022 – November 2023 📍 Bangalore, India

Projects:

- High-throughput Discovery of Solid Electrolyte for Na-Ion Batteries.
- Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials for Interfaces.

PGDMS Project Student

Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) Sep 2021 – Aug 2022 India

Supervisor: Prof. Shobhana Narasimhan; Professor, Theoretical Sciences Unit, JNCASR, India.

Collaborator: Dr. Brandon C. Wood; Deputy Group Leader; Quantum Simulations Group, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory(**LLNL**), U.S.

Projects:

- First Principles Study of Dissolution of Platinum in Water

SKILLS

1. Python

- Statistical simulations, scripting, coding, etc.

2. Machine Learning(ML)

- Development of ML models for materials discovery.

3. Deep Learning(DL)

- Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials (MLIAPs) for chemistry and materials.
- Deep generative models for inverse design of materials.

4. Density Functional Theory(DFT) computations using VASP - Vienna Ab initio Simulation Package, Quantum ESPRESSO and Atomic Simulation Environment(ASE) & GPAW

- Used for the quantum mechanical study of materials.
- Coupled with machine learning models for high-throughput discovery of materials.

5. GitHub and GitLab

6. Linux

7. LATEX

PUBLICATIONS

1. Mining Chemical Space with Generative Models for Battery Materials; **Parida C**, Roy D, Garcia Lastra JM, Bhowmik A; Batteries & Supercaps, p.e202500309 ([DOI](#)).
2. Limitations of Foundation Models in Energy Materials Simulations: A Case Study In Polyanion Sodium Cathode Materials; Petersen MH, **Parida C**, Busk J, Garcia Lastra JM, Bhowmik A, 2025, *Under Review*.
3. Element-Specific Neighbor Lists for Periodic Graph Neural Networks; **Parida C**, In AI4X 2025 International Conference.
4. Reflections from the 2024 large language model (llm) hackathon for applications in materials science and chemistry; Zimmermann Y, Bazgir A, Afzal Z, Agbere F, Ai q, Alampara N,.., **Parida C**, Petersen MH,..., Blaiszik B, arXiv preprint arXiv:2411.15221. 2024 Nov 20.
5. A Practical Database for Halide-based Solid electrolytes; **Parida C**, Garcia Lastra JM, Bhowmik A; *Under preparation*.
6. Defect Engineered Li-ion Super Conductors: Enhancing Ionic Conductivity By Vacancies, Dopants and Anti-site Defects; **Parida C**, Bhowmik A, Garcia Lastra JM; *Under preparation*.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **DFTPilot[2025 Visionary Award]:**LLM Hackathon for Applications in Materials Science and Chemistry ([GitHub](#))
- **E-Resources Grant (H2-2024 Opslag af regnetid på nationale e-ressourcer):** The grant covers 3 million CPU-core-hours, and 250K GPU-core-hours with 350K TB-hours of computational resources on [LUMI](#) supercomputer issued by the Danish e-Infrastructure Consortium ([DeiC](#)).
- **Invited Talk:** Defect Engineered Solid Electrolytes and Cathodes for Li-ion Batteries; Nanyang Technological University ([NTU](#))/A^{*}STAR Institute of Materials Research and Engineering ([A^{*}STAR IMRE](#)), Singapore, 2025
- **Oral Presentation:** AI-assisted Inverse Design of Solid Electrolytes (Modeling Disorders!); 12th International Conference on Materials for Advanced Technologies ([ICMAT - 2025](#)), Singapore, 2025

LANGUAGES

English

Hindi

Odia

Mother tongue

ACADEMIC REFEREES

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