

# PRANOY RAY

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Computational Materials & Data Scientist specializing in Materials Informatics using Bayesian statistics for multiscale modeling. Expertise includes developing efficient feature engineering methods for robust materials process-structure-property relationships, process optimization, and integrating physics-based constraints with data-driven AI/ML models on HPC systems. Innovative R&D professional with a track record of driving technical deliverables (for chemical/semiconductor/federal labs) and leading diverse teams in fast-paced research environments. Presently a final year PhD candidate, expecting to graduate in May 2026 (Spring).

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D: Mechanical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology - Atlanta, USA (2026)
  - Advisor: [Dr. Surya R. Kalidindi](#)
  - Thesis Title: "Computationally efficient voxelized approaches for structure-property relationships in molecular systems"
- [MS](#): Computational Science and Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology - Atlanta, USA (2024)
- B.Tech: Metallurgical & Materials Engineering, National Institute of Technology - Durgapur, India (2020)

## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- Management of Technology ([MOT](#)), Scheller College of Business, GeorgiaTech - Atlanta, USA (2025)
- Computational Materials Science & Engineering ([CMSE](#)), School of MSE, GeorgiaTech - Atlanta, USA (2023)

## RESEARCH

### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [ML workflows for assisting in the treatment and removal of forever chemicals](#)  
P. Ray, A. Castillo, M. Kolel-Veetil, S.R. Kalidindi | Oct 2025  
[Advanced Science \(Revised - Under Review\)](#) | [Code](#)
- [Unraveling the PFAS helix: A statistical approach](#)  
P. Ray, H. Cavalli, K.D. Tynes, G. Bizana, A. Castillo, S. Vyas, R. Siefert, S.R. Kalidindi, M. Kolel-Veetil | Sep 2025  
[Angewandte Chemie \(Under Review\)](#)
- [Assessing the accuracy of Bayesian-optimized CGMD in predicting polymer miscibility](#)  
P. Ray, Y. Asoma, N. Vankireddy, A. P. Generale, M. Nakauchi, H. Lee, K. Yoshida, S.R. Kalidindi, Y. Okuno | Nov 2025  
[RSC Chemical Science \(Under Review\)](#)
- [Refining Coarse-Grained Molecular Topologies: A Bayesian Optimization Approach](#)  
P. Ray, A. P. Generale, N. Vankireddy, Y. Asoma, M. Nakauchi, H. Lee, K. Yoshida, Y. Okuno, S.R. Kalidindi | July 2025  
[npj Computational Materials | Volume 11 | Article 234](#)
- [Lean CNNs for Mapping Electron Charge Density Fields to Material Properties](#)  
P. Ray, K. Choudhary, S.R. Kalidindi | January 2025  
[Integrating Materials and Manufacturing Innovation | Volume 14 | Issue 1 | Pages 1-13](#) | [Code](#)
- [Zr doped C<sub>24</sub> fullerene as efficient hydrogen storage material: insights from DFT simulations](#)  
A. Kundu, A. Jaiswal, P. Ray, S. Sahu, B. Chakraborty | August 2024  
[Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics | Volume 57 | No. 49 | Pages 495502-13](#)
- [Ti-decorated C<sub>30</sub> as a High-capacity Hydrogen Storage Material: Insights from Density Functional Theory](#)  
H.T.Nair, A.Kundu, P.Ray, P.K.Jha, B.Chakraborty | August 2023  
[RSC Sustainable Energy & Fuels | Volume 7 | Issue 20 | Pages 5109-19](#)
- [High Capacity Reversible Hydrogen Storage in Titanium Doped 2D Carbon Allotrope Ψ-Graphene: DFT Investigations](#)  
B. Chakraborty, P.Ray, N.Garg, S. Banerjee | January 2021  
[International Journal of Hydrogen Energy | Volume 46 | Issue 5 | Pages 4154-67](#)

### ORAL PRESENTATIONS/CONFERENCE TALKS

- [Statistical quantification of helicity in linear PFAS](#)  
P.Ray, H.Cavalli, et. al. | March 2026 | ACS Spring, Atlanta, GA, USA
- [\(INVITED\) Lean CNNs for materials discovery using electron charge density fields](#)  
P.Ray, S.R. Kalidindi | October 2025 | Host: Prof. Stefano Sanvitto | Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland
- [Structure-aware Bayesian optimization for efficient design of disordered CCAs](#)  
P.Ray, S.R. Kalidindi | October 2025 | SES Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA, USA
- [\(INVITED\) Bayesian frameworks for advanced materials design at the atomistic scale](#)  
P.Ray, S.R. Kalidindi | October 2024 | Novelis' Global Research and Technology Center, Kennesaw, GA, USA
- [\(INVITED\) Bayesian optimization of Coarse-Grained topologies: Applications to common polymers](#)  
P.Ray, A.P. Generale, et. al. | October 2024 | TMS Fall Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, USA
- [\(INVITED\) Feature engineering of electron charge density fields for building AI/ML models to predict material properties](#)  
P.Ray, S.R. Kalidindi | December 2022 | 2nd Energy & Informatics International Forum, Oahu, HI, USA

## SELECTED AWARDS & ACCOLADES

- [Woodruff School Fellow](#) (2025): GWW School of Mechanical Engineering, GeorgiaTech (Atlanta, GA, USA)
- [Novelis Graduate Scholar](#) (2024): Novelis Innovation Hub & Novelis Inc (Kennesaw, GA, USA)
  - Featured in: [GTRI News](#) based on the scholarship awarded by [Novelis Inc.](#) (world's largest aluminium rolling & recycling) as a top scholar conducting research in aspects of sustainability (de-carbonization), techno-economics of circularity, high-

throughput materials discovery, & AI/data science in materials/manufacturing/supply chains.

- **EII Fellow** (2022): TokyoTech & Strategic Energy Institute @GT (Honolulu, HI, USA)  
- *Invited Scholar: GT Strategic Energy Institute* covering us at the 2nd Energy & Informatics Forum.
- **CMS3 Fellow** (2022): NSF + Texas A&M University (College Station, TX, USA)

#### Other "selected" Media & Press

- **TMS Standout Article** (2025): Journal article on Lean CNNs highlighted by TMS Editors as a standout article for 2025.
- **The Telegraph (India)** (2018): Featured in "Backyard Startups" regarding the launch of #JustHashtags without VC assistance.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Multiscale Technologies Inc (Seattle, USA)

R&D Team

Jan 2024 to Aug 2024

- Data Science Manager & Materials Scientist Intern
- Directed AI/ML strategies to enhance process discovery, significantly reducing trial-and-error iterations for transnational industry-based (semiconductor & chemical) clients and US national laboratories.
  - Supervised and led a team of Data Scientists and engineers across the USA, France, India, and Pakistan to deliver exploratory materials design solutions for multiple Fortune 100 clients.
  - Part-time Solution Architect (SA) for the Product Team with a focus on seamless linking various materials science and engineering APIs into the MIND ecosystem
  - Implemented and developed impactful integration workflows between product, solutions, and engineering teams adapted to MOT/Root Cause Analysis protocols.

### Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (Mumbai, India)

HP & SRPD

May 2019 to Aug 2021

- Research Assistant (Advisor: [Dr. Srikumar Banerjee](#) & [Dr. Brahmananda Chakraborty](#))
- Accomplished multiple projects on materials design for solid-state Hydrogen Storage with the application of DFT and AIMD simulations. Theoretically discovered 3 distinct novel material systems for alternative fuels (Hydrogen Storage) using DFT & MD

### Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (Bangalore, India)

Foundry & Forge Division

May 2018 to July 2018

Project & Industrial Intern (Advisor: Soumya Mandi)

- Deployed projects: (1) Conducted root cause analysis on manufacturing defects in investment casting, applying process control measures relevant to yield improvement. (2) Developed preventive measures for quality control using Lean management

## SERVICES TO THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY

#### Academic:

- Reviewer & Committee Member: SciPy Conference (2023, 2024, 2025)
- Peer Reviewer (AI4Mat): NeurIPS 2025, CVPR 2025, PEARC 2025
- Peer Reviewer: Springer Nature, Journal of Materials, Chemical Papers (since 2023)
- Session Chair & Reviewer: GT Undergraduate Research Symposium (2025)

#### Leadership:

- Board Member: Emerging Leaders Advisory Board @GT (2025-2026)
- Internal VP: Mechanical Engg Grad Association (MEGA) @GT (2023-2024)
- President: Entrepreneurship Development Cell, NIT Durgapur, India (2016-2020)
- Treasurer: Strokes (Art & Photography Club), NIT Durgapur, India (2017-2020)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Machine Learning/AI:** Neural Networks, Gaussian Process Regression, Normalizing Flows, Autoencoder, Convolutions
- **Programming & Data Science:** Python (with key libraries like PyTorch, GPyTorch, BOTorch, Pyvista, SciPy, scikit-learn), R, Java, C
- **Computational Materials Science:** VASP, LAMMPS, GROMACS, DFT, Molecular Dynamics, CG-Martini3, ORCA
- **HPC/Cloud Platforms:** MPI, AWS, GCP, Azure, Shell Scripting (SLURM/PBS), Flask, Firebase, Hadoop, BigData
- **Advanced Graduate Courses:** Parallel Computing (HPC), Density Functional Theory, Materials Informatics, DoE, ML, DL
- **Process Informatics & Experimental Design:** Bayesian Optimization, Design of Exp., Pareto Frontier Analysis, Active Learning

## REFERENCES

Dr. Surya R. Kalidindi ([surya.kalidindi@me.gatech.edu](mailto:surya.kalidindi@me.gatech.edu))  
Regents' Professor, Rae S. and Frank H. Neely Chair  
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