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## Work Experience

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### Computational Scientist, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

2019-present

Reacting flows, wind turbine physics, performance portability on GPUs, numerical methods, continuum methods, kinetic Monte-Carlo

Principal investigator for several projects (*Adaptive Mesh and Algorithm Refinement*, 500k; *Scalable Parallel Discrete Events Simulations*, 550k)

Principal developer of several Exascale Computing Project software (Pele, ExaWind)

### Post-doctoral Researcher, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

2016-2019

Next-generation simulations of wind farms and reacting flow processes

## Education

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### Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering

2011-2016

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Thesis: *Numerical simulations of shock and rarefaction waves interacting with interfaces in compressible multiphase flows*

Advisor: E. Johnsen, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering

### M.S. in Applied Mathematics Engineering

2009-2011

Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

Thesis: *Implementation of a Discontinuous Galerkin Method for hyperbolic PDEs on GPUs*

Advisors: Prof. J-F Remacle, Prof. P. Chatelain, Prof. V. Legat.

### B.S. in Applied Mathematics Engineering

2007-2009

Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

## Research Interests

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Fluid mechanics - turbulence, multiphase flows, hydrodynamic instabilities

Energy - reacting flows, wind turbines and farms

High order numerical methods for computational fluid dynamics

High performance computing with graphics processing units

Machine learning for improved physics models

## Journal Articles

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I. Barrio Sanchez, A. S. Almgren, J. B. Bell, M. T. Henry de Frahan, W. Zhang, **A New Redistribution Scheme for Weighted State Redistribution with Adaptive Mesh Refinement**, *Under review*, 2023

M. T. Henry de Frahan, L. Esclapez, J. Rood, N. Wimer, P. Mullowney, B. Perry, L. Owen, H. Sitaraman, S. Yellapantula, M. Hassanaly, M. Rahimi, M. Martin, O. Doronina, S. Appukuttan, M. Reith, W. Ge, R. Sankaran, M. Day, J. Chen, **The Pele Simulation Suite for Reacting Flows at Exascale**, *Under review*, 2023

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A. Sharma, M. J. Brazell, G. Vijayakumar, S. Ananthan, L. Cheung, N. deVelder, M. T. Henry de Frahan, N. Matula, P. Mullowney, J. Rood, P. Sakievich, A. Almgren, P. S Crozier, M. Sprague, **ExaWind: Open-source CFD for hybrid-RANS/LES geometry-resolved wind turbine simulations in atmospheric flows**, *Under review*, 2023

N. T Wimer, M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Yellapantula, **Deep reinforcement learning to discover multi-fuel injection strategies for compression ignition engines**, *Int. J. Eng. Res.*, vol 24, 9, 2023

A. Giuliani, A.S. Almgren, J.B. Bell, M.J. Berger, M.T. Henry de Frahan, D. Rangarajan, **A weighted state redistribution algorithm for embedded boundary grids**, *J. Comp. Phys.*, 111305, 2022

M. T. Henry de Frahan, J. S. Rood, M. S. Day, H. Sitaraman, S. Yellapantula, B. A. Perry, R. W. Grout, A. Almgren, W. Zhang, J. B. Bell, J. H. Chen, **PeleC: An adaptive mesh refinement solver for compressible reacting flows**, *Int. J. High. Perf. Comp. App.*, vol. 37, 2, 2022

B. Perry, M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Yellapantula, **Co-optimized machine-learned manifold models for large eddy simulation of turbulent combustion**, *Comb. and Flame*, 244, 112286, 2022

H. Sitaraman, N. Brunhart-Lupo, M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Yellapantula, B. Perry, J. Rood, R. Grout, M. S. Day, R. Binyahib, K. Gruchalla, **Visualizations of direct fuel injection effects in a supersonic cavity flameholder**, *Phys. Rev. Fluids*, 6, 110504, 2021

J Quick, R. King, M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Ananthan, M. Sprague, P. Hamlington, **Field Sensitivity Analysis of Turbulence Model Parameters for Flow Over a Wing**, *Int. J. Uncert. Quant.*, vol. 12, 1, 85–106, 2022

H. Sitaraman, S. Yellapantula, M. T. Henry de Frahan, B. Perry, J. Rood, R. W. Grout, M. S. Day, **Adaptive mesh based combustion simulations of direct fuel injection effects in a supersonic cavity flame-holder**, *Comb. and Flame*, 232, 111531, 2021

M. T. Henry de Frahan, N. T Wimer, S. Yellapantula, R. W. Grout, **Deep reinforcement learning for dynamic control of fuel injection timing in multi-pulse compression ignition engines**, *Int. J. Eng. Res.*, vol 23, 9, 2021

S. Yellapantula, M. T. Henry de Frahan, R. King, M. S. Day, R. W. Grout, **Machine learning of combustion LES models from reacting direct numerical simulation**, *Data Analysis for Direct Num. Sim. of Turb. Comb.*, Pages 273-292, 2020

M. T. Henry de Frahana, S. Yellapantula, R. King, M. S. Day, and R. W. Grout, **Deep learning for presumed probability density function models**, *Comb. and Flame*, 208:436–450, Pages 436-450, 2019

P. Mohan, M. T. Henry de Frahan, R. King, and R. Grout, **A block-random algorithm for learning on distributed, heterogeneous data**, *arXiv:1903.00091*, 2019

M. T. Henry de Frahan, and R. Grout, **Data recovery in computational fluid dynamics through deep image priors**, *arXiv:1901.11113*, 2019

M. T. Henry de Frahan, J. L. Belof, R. M. Cavallo, V. A. Raevsky, O. N. Ignatova, A. Lebedev, D. S. Ancheta, B. S. El-dasher, J. N. Florando, G. F. Gallegos, E. Johnsen, and M. M. LeBlanc, **Experimental and Numerical Investigations of Beryllium Strength Models Using the Rayleigh-Taylor Instability**, *featured article in J. Appl. Phys.*, 117(22):225901, 2015

M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Varadan, and E. Johnsen, **A new limiting procedure for discontinuous Galerkin methods applied to compressible multiphase flows with shocks and interfaces**, *J. Comput. Phys.*, 280(0):489 – 509, 2015

M. T. Henry de Frahan, P. Movahed, and E. Johnsen, **Numerical simulations of a shock interacting with successive interfaces using the Discontinuous Galerkin method: the multilayered Richtmyer-Meshkov and Rayleigh-Taylor instabilities**, *Shock Waves*, 25(4):329–345, 2015

C. A. Di Stefano, G. Malamud, M. T. Henry de Frahan, C. C. Kuranz, A. Shimony, S. R. Klein, R. P. Drake, E. Johnsen, D. Shvarts, V. A. Smalyuk, and D. Martinez, **Observation and modeling of mixing-layer development in high-energy-density, blast-wave-driven shear flow**, *Phys. Plasmas*, 21(5):056306, 2014

## Conference Proceedings

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N. T. Wimer, L. Esclapez, M. T. Henry de Frahan, M. Rahimi, M. Hassanaly, B. Perry, J. Rood, S. Yellapantula, H. Sitaraman, M. Martin, O. Doronina, S. Nadakkal Appukuttan, M. Rieth, M. Day, **Examination of a Methane/Diesel RCCI Engine Using Pele**, *13<sup>th</sup> U.S. National Combustion Meeting*, 2023

P. T. Bauman et al, **Experiences Readyng Applications for Exascale**, *Supercomputing*, 2023

M. T. Henry de Frahan, M. Rahimi, O. Doronina, B. Perry, S. Yellapantula, I. Cormier, M. Day, M. Martin, **Simulation of Methane Oxycombustion in Supercritical Carbon Dioxide**, *Turbomachinery Technical Conference and Exposition, ASME*, doi: 10.1115/GT2023-101568, 2023

S. A Beig, G. R. Whitehouse, A. H. Boschitsch, A. Sharma, M. J. Brazell, M. T Henry de Frahan, M. A. Sprague, **Developing a Vorticity-Velocity-Based Off-Body Solver to Perform Multifidelity Simulations of Wind Farms**, *2022 AIAA SCITECH Forum. American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics*, doi: 10.2514/6.2023-1542, 2022

C. Adcock, M. T. Henry de Frahan, J. Melvin, G. Vijayakumar, S. Ananthan, G. Iaccarino, R. D. Moser, and M. Sprague, **Hybrid RANS-LES of the Atmospheric Boundary Layer for Wind Farm Simulations**, *2022 AIAA SCITECH Forum. American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics*, doi: 10.2514/6.2022-1922, 2021

J. Melvin, M. T. Henry de Frahan, S. Ananthan, G. Vijayakumar, M. Sprague, R. Moser, **Using the Active Model Split Hybrid Turbulence Model for the Simulation of Blade-Resolved Wind Turbines**, *Wind Energy Science Conference*, 2021

S. Yellapantula, B. A. Perry, M. T. Henry de Frahan, M. E. Mueller, and R. W. Grout, **Machine Learning based models for joint PDF shapes for multi-scalar mixing in turbulent flows**, *11<sup>th</sup> U.S. National Combustion Meeting*, 2019

M. T. Henry de Frahan, L. Khieu, and E. Johnsen, **High-order Discontinuous Galerkin Methods Applied to Multiphase Flows**, *22<sup>d</sup> AIAA Computational Fluid Dynamics Conference. American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics*, doi: 10.2514/6.2015-3045, 2015, AIAA CFD Best Student Paper Award (3<sup>d</sup> place)

M. T. Henry de Frahan and E. Johnsen, **Discontinuous Galerkin method for multifluid Euler equations**, *In 21st AIAA Computational Fluid Dynamics Conference. American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics*, doi: 10.2514/6.2013-2595, 2013

M. T. Henry de Frahan, P. Movahed, and E. Johnsen, **Investigating the multilayered Richtmyer-Meshkov instability with high-order accurate numerical methods**, *In 29th International Symposium on Shock Waves 2, Springer International Publishing*, 2015

## Awards and Fellowships

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<b>Chairperson's Team Award</b>	2023
National Renewable Energy Laboratory	
<b>Milton van Dyke Award</b>	2022
American Physical Society - Division of Fluid Dynamics	
<b>President's Award for Exceptional Performance</b>	2022
National Renewable Energy Laboratory	
<b>Gallery of Fluid Motion Award Winners</b>	2020
American Physical Society - Division of Fluid Dynamics	
<b>President's Team Award</b>	2019
National Renewable Energy Laboratory	
<b>Better Scientific Software Fellowship (honorable mention)</b>	2018
Better Scientific Software (Department of Energy organization)	
<b>AIAA CFD Best Student Paper Award (3<sup>d</sup> place)</b>	2015
American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics	
<b>Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship</b>	2015
University of Michigan	
<b>Rackham Centennial Fellowship</b>	2013
University of Michigan	
<b>High Distinction</b>	2011
M.S. in Applied Mathematics Engineering at the Université Catholique de Louvain	

## Leadership Experience

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<b>Acting Group Manager for the High Performance Algorithms and Complex Fluids group, NREL</b>	2020-2021
Group lead for a team of 15+ scientists	

<b>Mechanical Engineering Graduate Council, University of Michigan</b>	2013-2016
- STEM Communication Chair	
Communicate graduate student research to lay audiences	
- President	
Promote social, academic and professional development for ME graduate students	
- Graduate Seminar Chair	
Organize monthly seminars to showcase graduate student research	
<b>Graduate Student Advisory Committee, University of Michigan</b>	2014-2015
Representative for Department of Mechanical Engineering	
Identify and plan activities to promote community among engineering graduate students	
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<b>Mentorship and Teaching Experience</b>	
<b>Prakash Mohan, National Renewable Energy Laboratory</b>	2022-Present
Postdoctoral research mentor	
<b>Arth Sojitra</b>	2023
Mentor for summer internship on the lattice boltzmann method	
<b>Grace Wei</b>	2023
CSGF practicum mentor on the kinetic Monte-Carlo methods	
<b>Nick Wimer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory</b>	2019-2021
Postdoctoral research mentor	
<b>Bruce Perry, National Renewable Energy Laboratory</b>	2019-2021
Postdoctoral research mentor	
<b>Likhit Ganedi, Carnegie-Mellon Univeristy</b>	2021
Mentor for summer internship on hybrid particle-continuum solvers	
<b>Jani Adcock, Stanford University</b>	2020-2023
CSGF practicum mentor, Ph.D. committee member	
<b>Julia Ream, Florida State University</b>	2019-2023
Co-advisor of Ph.D. committee for work on turbulent supercritical CO <sub>2</sub> simulations	
<b>Prakash Mohan, University of Texas-Austin</b>	2018
Mentored Ph.D. graduate student for a project on deep learning for LES models	
<b>Jalil Alidoost, University of Michigan</b>	2015-2016
Mentored senior undergraduate for a project on diffusive and kinetic properties of chair motion in the Shapiro Library	
<b>Colby Hanley, University of Michigan</b>	2015-2016
Mentored freshman undergraduate for a project on multi-GPU profiling for high-performance computing	
<b>Graduate Student Instructor for ME 523: Computational Fluid Dynamics</b>	Fall 2013
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	

## Research Experience

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### DOE I-Corps Cohort 15

Fall 2022

Department of Energy

Immersive two-month training for researchers to define technology value propositions, conduct stakeholder discovery interviews, and develop viable market pathways for their technologies.

### Deep Learning Specialization

2017-2018

Coursera

Topics: neural networks (CNN, RNN), deep learning frameworks (Keras, Tensorflow)

### Argonne Training Program on Extreme-Scale Computing, Argonne National Laboratory

Summer 2017

Invited to an intensive 2-week workshop on high performance computing

### NextProf Engineering Future Faculty Workshop, University of Michigan

Fall 2015

Invited to participate in a workshop to prepare for faculty positions

### International High Performance Computing Summer School, Hungary

Summer 2014

Invited to attend NSF workshop to learn new paradigms in scientific computing

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA

Summer 2012

Student intern

Comparing Beryllium strength models with experimental data

Supervisors: Dr. B. Remington and Dr. R. Cavallo

### Computational Methods in High Energy Density Plasmas, UCLA, CA

Spring 2012

Invited to attend a 6 week long workshop by the Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics at the University of California - Los Angeles

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA

Summer 2010

Student intern

Studied hydrodynamic instabilities in inertial confinement fusion targets

Characterized growth factors during capsule compression

Supervisors: Dr. L. J. Suter and Dr. D. S. Clark

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA

Summer 2009

Student intern

Studied hot electron signatures and capsule preheat in the context of inertial confinement fusion as developed at the National Ignition Facility

Supervisors: Dr. L. J. Suter and Dr. C. A. Thomas

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA

Summer 2008

Student intern

Studied and optimized National Ignition Facility inertial confinement fusion target geometries using view factor calculations

Supervisors: Dr. L. J. Suter and Dr. C. A. Thomas

## Volunteer Service and Outreach

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### NREL Postdoctoral Committee

2016-2018

Organizing networking and professional development activities

**DAPCEP Instructor**

Spring 2015

Organized and taught a 6-week long engineering discovery course for Detroit-area middle school students

**Volunteer Instructor, Adams Academy Engineering Club**

2014-2016

Instructed fun basic science and engineering projects at a local primary school

**Graduate Student Recruiter, University of Michigan**

2012-2016

Organized and participated in recruitment events graduate students visiting the Mechanical Engineering department

**Skills** 

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**Scientific programming**

C/C++, Python, GPU (CUDA, SYCL, ROCM, Kokkos, AMReX), MPI, OpenMP, OpenACC, Git

**Operating systems**

GNU/Linux, OSX

**Languages**

English, French