Quentin Malé

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The interdisciplinary nature of computational physics enables me to grow in many different domains. I enjoy developing sophisticated simulation methods to address crucial needs in our society, and I intend to continue on this path.



Toulouse, FR

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Harvard University Cambridge, US Postdoctoral Fellow Jan 2025 onward

ETH Zurich Zurich, CH Postdoctoral Researcher (2021 –2023) and Established Researcher (2024) Apr 2021-Dec 2024

European Center in Research and Advanced Training on Scientific Computing (CERFACS) PhD Student (2017 –2020) and Postdoctoral Researcher (2021) Sep 2017-Mar 2021

Melbourne, AU The University of Melbourne Visiting PhD student Dec 2018-Mar 2019

EDUCATION

PhD Computational Reacting Flow		MSc Energy Engineering		MRes Energy and Fluids	
CERFACS	2017-2020	INSA Rouen	2014-2017	University of Rouen	2017
Advisor: Thierry Poinsot					

AWARDED RESEARCH GRANTS

 SNSF/ANR Lead Agency, 516K €: "Joint experimental and numerical study of H₂ plasma-assisted combustion" 	2024-2027
 3× CSCS HPC access, 820K node-h in total (grant no. s1138, s1220 and s1262) 	2022-2024
 2× PRACE HPC access, 735K node-h in total (grant no. 2019204881 and 2021250004) 	2019 & 2021
o GENCI HPC early access (Irene at TGCC) 170K node-h (grant no. gch0301)	2018

ACADEMIC SERVICES

- Research project peer review: German Research Foundation (DFG).
- o Journal peer review: Flow, Turbulence and Combustion; Combustion and Flame; Proceedings of the Combustion Institute.

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

• Exercise sessions at ETH Zurich, MSc level, "Numerical simulation of flame archetypes"	Spring 2023 & 2024
Design of the solutions to the exercises and discussion of the results	
• Lecture at ETH Zurich, MSc level, "Numerical simulation of turbulent reactive flows"	Spring 2022 & 2023
Design and execution of the lecture	
• Hands-on at CAPS lab., ETH Zurich, "Large eddy simulation of reactive flows using AVBP"	Spring 2022
Design of the materials and guidance during the tutorials/exercises	
• Hands-on at CERFACS, "Large eddy simulation of reactive flows using AVBP"	2018–2020
Guidance of the tutorials/exercises	

I supervised the work of seven MSc and two BSc students (thesis and projects) on topics such as: Massively parallel simulation of cold plasma and turbulent reacting flows; Algorithms for reaction path analysis of plasma kinetics and nitrogen oxides formation; Reduced order modeling of thermochemical systems. The work of my students has all been successfully performed as part of their studies. I also actively co-supervised PhD work at ETH Zurich on HPC of complex flows, including thermoacoustics, hydrogen thermochemistry and cold plasma.

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Q. Malé, C. Lapeyre, N. Noiray, "Hydrogen reaction rate modeling based on convolutional neural network for large eddy simulation", *Data-Centric Eng.*, 2025. URL.
- [2] G. Faingold, L. Krieg, F. Pagaud, Q. Malé, N. Noiray, "Nanosecond pulsed discharges for reliable ignition of ultra-lean hydrogen-air mixtures", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2025. URL.
- [3] M. Impagnatiello, Q. Malé, N. Noiray, "Acoustic scattering of a sequential combustor controlled with non-equilibrium plasma: A numerical study", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2024. URL.
- [4] Q. Malé, K. Pandey, N. Noiray, "The LEAF concept operated with hydrogen: Flame topology and NOx formation", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2024. URL.
- [5] Q. Malé, S. Shcherbanev, M. Impagnatiello, N. Noiray, "Stabilization of a thermoacoustically unstable sequential combustor using non-equilibrium plasma: Large eddy simulation and experiments", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2024. URL.
- [6] M. Impagnatiello, Q. Malé, N. Noiray, "Numerical Study of Ignition and Combustion of Hydrogen-Enriched Methane in a Sequential Combustor", *Flow Turbul. Combust.*, 2024. URL.
- [7] Q. Malé, N. Barléon, S. Shcherbanev, B. Dharmaputra, N. Noiray, "Numerical study of nitrogen oxides chemistry during plasma assisted combustion in a sequential combustor", *Combust. Flame*, 2024. URL.
- [8] Q. Malé, S. Shcherbanev, N. Noiray, "Numerical study of plasma assisted combustion in a sequential combustor", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2023. URL.
- [9] S. A. Shcherbanev, Q. Malé, B. Dharmaputra, R. Solana-Pérez, N. Noiray, "Effect of plasma-flow coupling on the ignition enhancement with non-equilibrium plasma in a sequential combustor", *J. Phys. D: Appl. Phys.*, 2022. URL.
- [10] Q. Malé, O. Vermorel, F. Ravet, T. Poinsot, "Jet ignition prediction in a zero-dimensional pre-chamber engine model", *Int. J. Engine Res.*, 2022. URL.
- [11] Q. Malé, O. Vermorel, F. Ravet, T. Poinsot, "Direct numerical simulations and models for hot burnt gases jet ignition", *Combust. Flame*, 2021. URL.
- [12] T. Jaravel, O. Dounia, Q. Malé, O. Vermorel, "Deflagration to detonation transition in fast flames and tracking with chemical explosive mode analysis", *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, 2021. URL.
- [13] Q. Malé, G. Staffelbach, O. Vermorel, A. Misdariis, F. Ravet, T. Poinsot, "Large Eddy Simulation of Pre-Chamber Ignition in an Internal Combustion Engine", *Flow Turbul. Combust.*, 2019. URL.
- [14] J. Lamouroux, S. Richard, Q. Male, G. Staffelbach, A. Dauptain, A. Misdariis, "On the Combination of Large Eddy Simulation and Phenomenological Soot Modeling to Calculate the Smoke Index From Aero-Engines Over a Large Range of Operating Conditions", *J. Eng. Gas Turbine Power*, 2018. URL.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Invited talks:

 Machine Learning for Combustion Meeting (UK): "Enhancing LES of hydrogen reacting flows using ML" 	Dec 2024
o 7th Int. Flame Chemistry Workshop (IT): "Integrating plasma effects into simulations []: status and challenges"	Jul 2024
o Swiss Combustion Day (CH): "Multiphysics high performance computing of plasma-assisted combustion"	Feb 2024
o GENCI early access grant feedback at TGCC (FR): "High-performance computing for innovative engine design"	Jun 2019
Conference presentations:	
o Int. symposium on combustion (IT): "Stabilization of a thermoacoustically unstable sequential combustor []"	Jul 2024
o Int. symposium on combustion (IT): "The LEAF concept operated with hydrogen []"	Jul 2024
o Int. symposium on combustion (CA): "Numerical study of plasma-assisted combustion in a sequential combustor"	Jul 2022
o Int. workshop on plasma-assisted combustion (FR): "Numerical simulations of plasma-assisted combustion []"	Jun 2022
o Int. symposium on combustion (IE): "Direct numerical simulations of jet ignition"	Aug 2018