

# Claire ROCHE

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Meshing Research Engineer *CEA*

**Dec. 2025 - Now**

*Bruyères-le-Châtel, France*

- C++ Programming, Git.

### Meshing Software Engineer *Siemens DISW*

**Oct. 2024 - Dec. 2025**

*Châtillon, France*

- Development in the volume mesher of STAR-CCM+.
- Work with an **international** team.
- STAR-CCM+, C++ Programming, Git.

### PhD

*LiHPC (Paris-Saclay University, CEA) & CEA-CESTA*

**Oct. 2021 - Oct. 2024**

*Bruyères-le-Châtel, France*

- Development of an advancing front algorithm for linear hexahedral block structure generation around a vehicle, dedicated to flow simulation around the vehicle, with particular care to the boundary layer structure.
- *A posteriori* block curving using Bézier elements to approximate the vehicle's surface and discretization of the curved blocks with special refinement in the boundary layer.
- Application to numerical simulations using different dedicated CFD codes.
- C++ Programming, Paraview, SU2 CFD, Git.
- <https://github.com/LIHPC-Computational-Geometry/gmds>

*Supervisors:* Franck LEDOUX, Jérôme BREIL, Thierry HOCQUELLET

### Internship

*Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*

**May 2023 - Aug. 2023**

*Livermore, CA, United States*

- High-order mesh rp-adaptivity for multi-material interface alignment in MFEM.
- C++ Programming, Git.
- <https://github.com/mfem-mfem>

*Supervisor:* Ketan MITTAL

### Internship

*CEA-CESTA*

**Feb. 2021 - Aug. 2021**

*Le Barp, France*

- Implementation of methods for refinement, regularization, and adaptation of structured meshes in the boundary layer.
- Application to simulations of hypersonic flows using a stationary/unsteady 3D Navier-Stokes CFD code.
- Fortran 90 Programming, Open MP, Paraview, Visit.

*Supervisors:* Marina OLAZABAL-LOUME, and Jérôme BREIL

## EDUCATION

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### PhD in Applied Mathematics & Computer Science *LiHPC (Paris-Saclay University, CEA), France*

**2021 - 2024**

Title: Hexahedral Curved Block-Structured Mesh Generation for Atmospheric Re-Entry.

<b>Engineering Degree in Applied Mathematics &amp; Mechanics</b> <i>ENSEIRB-MATMECA, Bordeaux INP, France</i>	<b>2018 - 2021</b>
<b>Master Degree in Numerical Methods for High Performance Computing</b> <i>Bordeaux University, France</i>	<b>2019 - 2021</b>
<b>Bachelor of Engineering Sciences</b> <i>Bordeaux University, France</i>	<b>2016 - 2019</b>

## PUBLICATIONS

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Roche C. Hexahedral curved block-structured mesh generation for atmospheric re-entry. Diss. Université Paris-Saclay, 2024.

<https://theses.hal.science/tel-04831511/>

Mittal K, Dobrev V.A., Knupp P, Kolev T, Roche C, Tomov V.Z. Mixed-Order Meshing using *rp*-adaptivity for Surface Alignment with Implicit Geometries. *International Meshing Roundtable 2024 (SIAM IMR24)*.  
<https://internationalmeshingroundtable.com/assets/papers/2024/1004.pdf>

Roche C, Breil J, Hocquellet T, Ledoux F. Block-structured quad meshing for supersonic flow simulations. *International Meshing Roundtable 2023 (SIAM IMR23)*.

<https://internationalmeshingroundtable.com/assets/papers/2023/11-Roche-compressed.pdf>

Roche C, Breil J, Olazabal-Loumé M. Mesh regularization of ablating hypersonic vehicles. In *8th European Congress on Computational Methods in Applied Sciences and Engineering (ECCOMAS 2022)*. Jun 2022, Oslo, Norway.

<https://hal-cea.archives-ouvertes.fr/cea-03783795/>

## COMMUNICATIONS

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**Apr. 3 - 5, 2024** *Avrainville, France*  
*"Génération de maillages hexaédriques 3D pour la rentrée atmosphérique"*. Journées Des Doctorants de la DAM.

**Mar. 5 - 8, 2024** *Baltimore, MD, United States*  
*"Curved Hexahedral Block Structure Generation by Advancing Front"*. SIAM International Meshing Roundtable Workshop (SIAM IMR24).  
<https://internationalmeshingroundtable.com/assets/research-notes/imr32/2010.pdf>

**Mar. 29 - 31, 2023** *Bordeaux, France*  
*"Advancing-front block structure generation for atmospheric re-entry simulations"*. 57th 3AF International Conference on Applied Aerodynamics, High-speed aerodynamics, from transonic to hypersonic.

**Mar. 6 - 9, 2023** *Amsterdam, The Netherlands*  
*"Block-structured quad meshing for supersonic flow simulations"*. SIAM International Meshing Roundtable Workshop (SIAM IMR23).

**Dec. 8, 2022** *Paris, France*  
*Poster. "Block-structured 2D mesh generation for supersonic flow simulation"*. Scientific evaluation of the CEA in high-performance computing.

**Nov. 16, 2022** *Bordeaux, France*  
*Poster. "Automatic 2D curved block-structured mesh generation for atmospheric re-entry"*. Scientific evaluation of the CEA in atmospheric re-entry.

**Jun. 5 - 9, 2022** *Oslo, Norway*

8th European Congress on Computational Methods in Applied Sciences and Engineering (ECCOMAS 2022).

**May 10, 2022**

*Arcachon, France*

*Poster. "Automatic hexahedral mesh generation for atmospheric re-entry". Journée des doctorants.*

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## PROJECT

### **Mesh adaptation in PETSc**

*Master's Project*

**Oct. 2020 - Jan. 2021**

- Replacing Pragmatic remesher by MMG in PETSc.
- Setting up test cases for the implementation.

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## SKILLS

**Programming** C++, Fortran 90, Python, Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, TikZ, MarkDown

**Softwares** STAR-CCM+, CLion, VS Code, gmsh, Paraview, Visit, SU2 CFD

**Communication** French (native), English (B2 - TOEIC: 870), Spanish (beginner)

**Other** Mesh Generation, Computational Fluid Dynamics

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## INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

### **Climbing**

**2010 - Now**

- Bouldering (2016-Now)
- Lead climbing (2010-2016)
- President of ENSEIRB-MATMECA Climbing Association (2019-2020)