

# Marc Fehling

312 Arlene Dr  
80521 Fort Collins  
Colorado, USA  
☎ +49 176 91385957  
☎ +1 970 372 8420  
✉ [mafehling@gmail.com](mailto:mafehling@gmail.com)  
🌐 [marcfehling](https://marcfehling.com)

---

## APPOINTMENTS

Oct 2020 – now **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, *Department of Mathematics, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, USA*  
Research on *hp*-adaptive finite element methods  
Appointed principal developer of the deal.II library (Mar 2021 – now)  
Teaching assignments

---

## EDUCATION

Nov 2015 – Jun 2020 **Doctor of engineering, Civil engineering**, *University of Wuppertal, Germany*  
In collaboration: Institute for Advanced Simulation, Jülich Research Centre, Germany  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Lukas Arnold  
Grade: summa cum laude (with distinction)  
Dissertation title: Algorithms for massively parallel generic *hp*-adaptive FEM

Oct 2013 – Jul 2015 **Master of Science, Physics**, *Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany*  
Major field: Plasma physics  
Grade: 1.4 (very good)  
Thesis title: Modeling of plasma-wall interactions in a quasi-neutral hybrid model for the simulation of magnetized plasma discharges

Oct 2010 – Aug 2013 **Bachelor of Science, Physics**, *Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany*  
Grade: 1.1 (very good)  
Thesis title: Implementation and validation of a three-dimensional, parallel hybrid code for the simulation of plasmas

Aug 2009 – Jul 2010 **Civilian service**, *Protestant Foundation Ludwig-Steil-Hof, Espelkamp, Germany*  
Semi-inpatient youth care, day group 'Biberburg'

Aug 2000 – Jun 2009 **Abitur**, *Söderblom-Gymnasium, Espelkamp, Germany*  
Grade: 1.6 (good)

---

## TEACHING

Aug 2022 – Dec 2022 **MATH 450 Introduction to numerical analysis I**, *Colorado State University, Fort Collins, USA*  
Lectures, homework, tests

Aug 2021 – Dec 2021 **MATH 261 Calculus for physical scientists III**, *Colorado State University, Fort Collins, USA*  
Lectures, Grading of homework and tests

Apr 2020 – Jul 2020 **Computer science for engineers**, *University of Wuppertal, Germany*  
Preparation of exercises, Teaching assistant

Oct 2019 – Apr 2020 **Numerical fire simulation I + II**, *University of Wuppertal, Germany*  
Preparation of exercises, Teaching assistant

- Apr 2017 – Jul 2017 **Fire and evacuation simulations**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Preparation of exercises, Teaching assistant
- Oct 2016 – Feb 2017 **Fire simulation**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Preparation of exercises, Teaching assistant
- Apr 2016 – Jul 2016 **Fire and evacuation simulations**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Preparation of exercises, Teaching assistant
- Oct 2013 – Jul 2014 **Mathematical methods in physics**, *Ruhr-University Bochum*, Germany  
Teaching assistant
- Oct 2012 – Jul 2013 **Experimental physics I + II**, *Ruhr-University Bochum*, Germany  
Teaching assistant
- Sep 2012 **Introduction to mathematical methods in physics**, *Ruhr-University Bochum*, Germany  
Teaching assistant

## MENTORING

### SUPERVISED STUDENT WORK

- Aug 2017 – Oct 2017 **Duygu Khan**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany, Guest Student Program  
Work title: Finite element solution for the acoustic scattering problem – Adaptive mesh refinement using deal.II
- Oct 2016 – Aug 2017 **Tao Zhong**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany, Fire simulation course  
Work title: Implementation of a Smagorinsky-Lilly LES model in JuPyFDM

### SUPERVISED MASTER'S THESES

- Apr 2017 – Apr 2018 **Michael Krampf**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Thesis title: Characterization of the liftoff phase of particle-based fireballs
- Apr 2017 – Nov 2017 **Jana Bolterdorf**, *Aachen University of Applied Sciences*, Germany  
Thesis title: Elaboration and comparison of different mesh refinement strategies regarding the parallel performance of a fire simulation program with adaptive mesh refinement
- Apr 2016 – Nov 2016 **Pankaj Kumar**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Thesis title: Investigation of density in buoyancy flows using CFD code JuFire

## INVOLVEMENT IN THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY

### ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOPS

- Aug 2022 – now **Postdoc Seminar**, *Colorado State University, Department of Mathematics*, Fort Collins, USA  
Tasks: Inviting speakers, Planning (schedule and joint lunches)
- May 13 – 17, 2019 **2nd Summer School on Fire Dynamics Modeling**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Tasks: Introduction to HPC-systems, Technical support, Assistance during workshops
- Dec 08, 2017 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Tasks: Inviting speakers, Moderation, Planning (schedule and catering), Announcements
- Aug 07 – 11, 2017 **1st Summer School on Fire Dynamics Modeling**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Tasks: Technical support, Assistance during workshops
- May 17, 2017 **Day of Research and Projects**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Tasks: Inviting speakers, Planning (schedule), Announcements

## PRESENTATIONS

- Apr 06, 2023 **Postdoc Seminar**, *Colorado State University, Department of Mathematics*, Fort Collins, USA  
Presentation title: Adaptive methods for finite elements
- Mar 03, 2023 **SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE23)**, *RAI Congress Centre*, Amsterdam, Netherlands  
Presentation title: Global-Coarsening Multigrid for hp-adaptive FEM Computations
- Aug 09, 2022 **Fire Research Seminar**, *National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)*, Gaithersburg, Maryland, USA (online)  
Presentation title: Adaptive methods and their application with finite elements
- Feb 24, 2022 **SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing (PP22)**, Seattle, Washington, USA (online)  
Presentation title: *hp*-adaptive FEM for Large-Scale Parallel Computations together with Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Bangerth
- Aug 18, 2021 **9th deal.II Users and Developers Workshop**, *Colorado State University*, Fort Collins, USA (online)  
Presentation title: Parallel hp-FEM: hp-adaptive, hybrid-GMG, MatrixFree
- Dec 03, 2020 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *University of Chemistry and Technology*, Prague, Czech Republic (online)  
Presentation title: Algorithms for massively parallel generic hp-adaptive FEM
- Nov 09, 2020 **Postdoc Seminar**, *Colorado State University, Department of Mathematics*, Fort Collins, USA (online)  
Presentation title: Algorithms for massively parallel generic hp-adaptive FEM
- Nov 29, 2019 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *Institute of Building Materials, Concrete Construction and Fire Safety, Brunswick Technical University*, Germany  
Presentation title: Massively parallel hp-adaptive finite element methods
- Aug 16, 2019 **Boulder Fluid and Thermal Sciences Seminar Series**, *University of Colorado*, Boulder, USA  
Presentation title: deal.II showcase – A general library for adaptive finite element codes
- Aug 07, 2019 **7th deal.II Users and Developers Workshop**, *Colorado State University*, Fort Collins, USA  
Presentation title: Algorithms for massively parallel generic hp-adaptive FEM software
- May 06, 2019 **Current Research Projects**, *Institute for Theoretical Physics I, Ruhr-University Bochum*, Germany  
Presentation title: deal.II showcase – A general library for adaptive finite element codes
- Nov 27, 2018 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *German Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing*, Berlin, Germany  
Presentation title: Parallel hp-adaptive methods for buoyancy-driven flows
- Apr 03, 2018 **Applied Math Seminar**, *Department of mathematics, Colorado State University*, Fort Collins, USA  
Presentation title: Fire Simulation with adaptive FEM
- Dec 08, 2017 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Presentation title: Towards buoyancy driven flows with FEM
- May 17, 2017 **Day of Research and Projects**, *University of Wuppertal*, Germany  
Presentation title: Adaptive fire simulations - Verification of the flow solver

- Feb 02, 2017 **PhD Students' Seminar on Fire Safety Science**, *European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)*, Geneva, Switzerland  
Presentation title: Towards smoke & fire simulation with grid adaptive FEM
- Dec 13, 2016 **Annual Colloquium at Jülich Supercomputing Centre**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Presentation title: To be fine or not to be fine - Adaptive mesh refinement in fire simulation
- Jun 15, 2016 **Aachen Jülich Mathematics Workshop**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Presentation title: Fire simulation

---

## RESEARCH VISITS

- Jul 26 – Aug 12, 2022 **National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)**, Gaithersburg, Maryland, USA  
Host: Dr. Randall J. McDermott
- Jul 23 – Aug 20, 2019 **Colorado State University**, Department of mathematics, Fort Collins, USA  
Host: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Bangerth
- Dec 10 – 14, 2018 **Technical University of Munich**, Department of mechanical engineering, Germany  
Host: Dr. Martin Kronbichler
- Dec 06 – 07, 2018 **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**, Department of mechanical engineering, Germany  
Host: Dr. Denis Davydov
- Mar 20 – Oct 22, 2018 **Colorado State University**, Department of mathematics, Fort Collins, USA  
Host: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Bangerth

---

## TRAININGS

- Feb 25 – 26, 2023 **SIAM Hackathon**, *Van der Valk Hotel Amsterdam Zuidas*, Netherlands  
Challenge: Kuka
- Mar 14 – 17, 2017 **Advanced C++ with Focus on Software Engineering**, *High Performance Computing Center Stuttgart*, Germany  
Instructor: Dr. Klaus Iglberger
- Jun 27 – 28, 2016 **High-performance scientific computing in C++**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Instructor: Dr. Sandipan Mohanty
- May 30 – Jun 02, 2016 **Programming in C++**, *Jülich Research Centre*, Germany  
Instructor: Dr. Sandipan Mohanty
- Mar 21 – 24, 2016 **deal.II Users and Developers Training**, *International Centre for Theoretical Physics*, Trieste, Italy  
Instructors: Prof. Dr. Luca Heltai, Prof. Dr. Timo Heister

---

## PUBLICATIONS

- D. Arndt et al. "The deal.II Library, Version 9.4". In: *Journal of Numerical Mathematics* 30.3 (2022), pp. 231–246. DOI: 10.1515/jnma-2022-0054.
- W. Bangerth, T. Heister, and M. Fehling. *CSSI Frameworks: Future Proofing the Finite Element Library deal.II - Development and Community Building*. Poster at NSF Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Scientific Innovation (CSSI) Principal Investigator Meeting. 2022. DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.6626469.

M. Fehling and W. Bangerth. *Algorithms for Parallel Generic hp-adaptive Finite Element Software*. Submitted to ACM TOMS. 2022. DOI: 10.48550/ARXIV.2206.06512.

D. Arndt et al. "The deal.II Library, Version 9.3". In: *Journal of Numerical Mathematics* 29.3 (2021), pp. 171–186. DOI: 10.1515/jnma-2021-0081.

D. Arndt et al. "The deal.II Library, Version 9.2". In: *Journal of Numerical Mathematics* 28.3 (2020), pp. 131–146. DOI: 10.1515/jnma-2020-0043.

M. Fehling. "Algorithms for massively parallel generic hp-adaptive finite element methods". PhD thesis. Bergische Universität Wuppertal, 2020, vii, 78 pp. URL: <http://hdl.handle.net/2128/25427>.

D. Arndt et al. "The deal.II Library, Version 9.1". In: *Journal of Numerical Mathematics* 27.4 (2019), pp. 203–213. DOI: 10.1515/jnma-2019-0064.

L. Arnold et al. *Verbundprojekt ORPHEUS: Optimierung der Rauchableitung und Personenführung in U-Bahnhöfen : Experimente und Simulationen: Abschlussbericht des Teilvorhabens: Brand- und Personenstromsimulationen in unterirdischen Verkehrsstationen*. Tech. rep. 2018. DOI: 10.2314/KXP:1667013130.

M. Fehling. "Plasma-wall transition in the quasi-neutral region of collisional and stationary plasmas in a magnetic field enclosed by totally absorbing walls". In: *Contributions to Plasma Physics* 57.4 (2017), pp. 151–165. DOI: 10.1002/ctpp.201700002.

M. Fehling, J. Boltersdorf, and L. Arnold. "Towards smoke and fire simulation with grid adaptive FEM: Verification of the flow solver". In: *Book of Abstracts, Poster, 12th International Symposium on Fire Safety Science*. Poster. 2017, P43. URL: <https://iafss2017.files.wordpress.com/2017/06/book-of-abstract-posters-klar.pdf>.

---

## LANGUAGES

German	Native speaker
English	Fluent
French	Basic communication skills

---

## SOFT SKILLS

Programming languages	Daily use of C++, Python In-depth knowledge of Matlab, C, Java
Libraries & APIs	deal.II, MPI, p4est, Boost
Software	FDS, SALOME
Tools	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, pgfplots, tikz, git, CMake, Unix