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EDUCATION

California Institute of Technology Pasadena, California
Graduate Aerospace Laboratories 2009 – 2016

Ph.D., Aeronautics, June 2016
Dissertation: “[Thermal Ignition Using Moving Hot Particles](#)”
Thesis Advisor: Prof. Joseph E. Shepherd

M.S., Aeronautics, June 2010
Academic Advisor: Prof. Joseph E. Shepherd

University of Texas at Arlington Arlington, Texas
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering 2005 – 2009

B.S., Aerospace Engineering, May 2009
summa cum laude
Academic Advisor: Dr. Zhen Xue Han

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Sandia National Laboratories
Postdoctoral Appointee (April 2018–Present)

(1) Experimentally investigating energetic material response to abnormal thermal environments. (2) Computationally and experimentally investigating novel imaging techniques for application to ultra-fast events, e.g., shock initiation of energetic materials and electrostatic spark breakdown.

California Institute of Technology
Postdoctoral Scholar (June 2017–March 2018)

Water-hammer events in piping systems with pockets of reactive gas trapped between liquid water may have caused hydrogen explosions and damaged piping systems at two nuclear power plants in 2002. I designed and constructed a novel experiment to investigate ignition of hydrogen-oxygen mixtures by water-hammer type events in pipes. The experiments indicated that ignition leading to the formation of a flame was possible, however, the presence of a multi-phase mixture led to immediate quenching of the flame kernel.

California Institute of Technology
Postdoctoral Scholar (July 2016–August 2016)

Trained a new graduate student in the image processing techniques and experiment that I developed as a PhD student.

INDUSTRY POSITIONS

The Boeing Company
Research Engineer (September 2016–May 2017)

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [A1] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Experimental and Numerical Study on Moving Hot Particle Ignition](#).” *Combustion and Flame*, 192: 495 – 506, 2018.
- [A2] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Silken Jones, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Temperature Field Measurements of Thermal Boundary Layer and Wake of Moving Hot Spheres using Interferometry](#).” *Experimental Thermal and Fluid Science*, 90: 76 – 83, 2018.

- [A3] Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Rémy Mével, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Effects of differential diffusion on ignition of stoichiometric hydrogen-air by moving hot spheres.](#)” *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, 36(1): 1155 – 1163, 2017.
- [A4] Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Dynamics of ignition of stoichiometric hydrogen-air mixtures by moving heated particles.](#)” *International Journal of Hydrogen Energy*, 42(11): 7380 – 7392, 2017.
- [A5] Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Augustin Nové-Josserand, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Hot Surface Ignition of *n*-Hexane-Air Mixtures Using Simplified Kinetics.](#)” *Combustion Science and Technology*, 188(11 – 12): 2060 – 2076, 2016.
- [A6] Rémy Mével, Urszula Niedzielska, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Chemical Kinetics of *n*-Hexane-Air Atmospheres in the Boundary Layer of a Moving Hot Sphere.](#)” *Combustion Science and Technology*, 188(11 – 12): 2267 – 2283, 2016.
- [A7] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, Sally P. M. Bane, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Experimental study of minimum ignition energy of lean \$H_2\$ - \$N_2O\$ mixtures.](#)” *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, 34(1): 895 – 902, 2012.
- [A8] Sally P. M. Bane, Jack L. Ziegler, Phillip A. Boettcher, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Experimental investigation of spark ignition energy in kerosene, hexane, and hydrogen.](#)” *Journal of Loss Prevention in the Process Industries*, 26(2): 290 – 294, 2011.
- [A9] Sally P. M. Bane, Rémy Mével, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Flame burning speeds and combustion characteristics of undiluted and nitrogen-diluted hydrogen-nitrous oxide mixtures.](#)” *International Journal of Hydrogen Safety*, 36(16): 10107 – 10116, 2011.
- JOURNAL
MANUSCRIPTS IN
PREPARATION [B1] Jean-Christophe Veilleux, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of a Stoichiometric Hydrogen-Oxygen Mixture through Water-Hammer Events.](#)” In preparation for *Combustion and Flame*.
- CONFERENCE
PAPERS/ABSTRACTS
IN PREPARATION [C1] **Stephanie A. Coronel** and Michael J. Kaneshige. “[Thermal ignition of PETN detonators.](#)” In preparation for 27th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Beijing, China. 24 – 29 July 2019.
- [C2] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Non-linear extrapolation of laminar flame properties.](#)” In preparation for 27th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Beijing, China. 24 – 29 July 2019.
- [C3] **Stephanie A. Coronel** and Michael J. Kaneshige. “[1D modeling of thermal ignition of detonators.](#)” In preparation for 11th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Pasadena, CA, USA. 24 – 27 March 2019.
- [C4] **Stephanie A. Coronel** and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Modeling of reactive thermal boundary layers.](#)” In preparation for 11th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Pasadena, CA, USA. 24 – 27 March 2019.

REFEREED
CONFERENCE
PAPERS

- [D1] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Dmitry Davidenko, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Reduction methodology for detailed kinetic mechanisms: application to *n*-hexane-air hot surface ignition.](#)” 11th Asia-Pacific Conference on Combustion, Sydney, Australia. 10 – 14 December 2017.
- [D2] Rémy Mével, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, Lorenz R. Boeck, Augustin Nové-Josserand, Yuki Kishita, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of hydrogen-air mixtures by a localized stationary hot surface.](#)” 11th International Symposium on Hazard Prevention, and Mitigation of Industrial Explosions, Dalian, China. 24 – 29 July 2016.
- [D3] Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of hydrogen-air mixtures by a moving heated particle.](#)” 6th International Conference on Hydrogen Safety, Yokohoma, Japan. 19 – 21 October 2015.
- [D4] Rémy Mével, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Chemical kinetics of ignition of *n*-hexane by a moving hot sphere.](#)” 25th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Leeds, UK. 2 – 7 August 2015.
- [D5] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Effect of equivalence ratio on ignition and flame propagation of *n*-hexane-air mixtures using moving hot particles.](#)” 25th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Leeds, UK. 2 – 7 August 2015.
- [D6] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Shyam Menon, Rémy Mével, Guillaume Blanquart, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of nitrogen diluted hexane-oxygen mixtures by moving heated particles.](#)” 24th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Taipei, Taiwan. 28 July–2 August 2013.
- [D7] Sally P. M. Bane, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Phillip A. Boettcher, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Spark ignition of kerosene-air mixtures.](#)” 23th International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems, Irvine, CA, USA. 24 – 29 July 2011.
- [D8] Sally P. M. Bane, Jack L. Ziegler, Phillip A. Boettcher, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Investigation of spark ignition in hydrogen, hexane, and kerosene: experiment and simulation.](#)” 8th International Symposium on Hazards, Prevention, and Mitigation of Industrial Explosions, Yokohoma, Japan. 5 – 10 September 2010.

NON-REFEREED
CONFERENCE
PAPERS/
PRESENTATIONS

- [E1] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Temporal evolution of fluid parcels in reactive thermal boundary layer.](#)” Third Annual California Alliance Retreat, Berkeley, CA, USA. 8 – 9 April 2016.
- [E2] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of *n*-hexane-air by moving hot particles: effect of particle diameter.](#)” 9th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, USA. 17 – 20 May 2015. Paper 114LF-0452.
- [E3] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Neal Bitter, Vaughan Thomas, Rémy Mével, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Non-linear extrapolation of laminar flame properties from spherically expanding flames.](#)” 2014 Western States Section of the Combustion Institute Spring Meeting, Pasadena, CA, USA. 24 – 25 March 2014. Paper 087LF-0020.

[E4] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, Pauline Vervish-Kljakic, Phillip A. Boettcher, Vaughan Thomas, Nabiha Chaumeix, Nasser Darabiha, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Laminar burning speed of \$n\$ -hexane-air mixtures.](#)” 8th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Park City, UT, USA. 19 – 22 May 2013. Paper 070LT-0383.

[E5] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Sally P. M. Bane, Phillip A. Boettcher, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Statistical analysis of spark ignition of kerosene air mixtures.](#)” 2011 Western States Section of the Combustion Institute Fall Meeting, Riverside, CA, USA. 17–18 October 2011. Paper 027IC-0201.

[E6] Sally P. M. Bane, Rémy Mével, **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Flame speeds and combustion characteristics of undiluted and nitrogen-diluted hydrogen-nitrous oxide mixtures.](#)” 7th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Atlanta, GA, USA. 20–23 March 2011. Paper L16.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

[F1] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Jean-Christophe Veilleux, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Compression of reactive gas pocket in a water-filled pipe,](#)” Women in Aerospace Symposium, Stanford University. 31 May–1 June 2018.

[F2] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Temporal evolution of fluid parcels in reactive thermal boundary layer,](#)” Future Fuels Workshop, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia. 7 – 9 March 2016.

[F3] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of \$n\$ -hexane-air by moving hot particles.](#)” Second Annual California Alliance Retreat, Pasadena, CA, USA. 17 – 18 April 2015.

[F4] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Josué Melguizo-Gavilanes, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Ignition of \$n\$ -hexane-air mixtures by moving hot sphere.](#)” 35th International Symposium on Combustion, San Francisco, CA, USA. 3 – 8 August 2014.

[F5] **Stephanie A. Coronel**, Rémy Mével, Phillip A. Boettcher, Vaughan Thomas, and Joseph E. Shepherd. “[Experimental measurement and modeling of hexane-air laminar burning speeds.](#)” 34th International Symposium on Combustion, Warsaw, Poland. 29 July–3 August 2012.

INVITED TALKS

[G1] “[Compression of reactive gas pocket in a water-filled pipe,](#)” Women in Aerospace Symposium, Stanford University, 31 May–1 June 2018.

[G2] “[Thermal Ignition of Gaseous Mixtures: Experiments and Simplified Modeling,](#)” Invited Seminar, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, University of California, San Diego, 26 February 2018.

[G3] “[Thermal Ignition of Gaseous Mixtures: Experiments and Simplified Modeling,](#)” Fluids Seminar, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, 22 February 2018.

[G4] “[Compression Ignition of Reactive Gas Pocket in Water-Filled Pipe,](#)” Fluid Mechanics Research Conference, California Institute of Technology. 6 February 2018.

- [G5] “[Thermal Ignition of Gaseous Mixtures: Experiments and Simplified Modeling](#),” AME Seminar, Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern California, 24 January 2018.
- [G6] “[Quantitative imaging of ignition of gaseous mixtures](#),” Invited Seminar, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Rochester, 15 December 2017.
- [G7] “[Thermal ignition by moving hot particles](#),” Invited Seminar, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, 19 September 2017.
- [G8] “[Thermal ignition by moving hot particles](#),” Invited Seminar, University of Tennessee Space Institute, Tullahoma, 14 July 2017.
- [G9] “[Thermal ignition by moving hot particles](#),” Invited Seminar, Sandia National Laboratories, Livermore, 20 February 2017.
- [G10] “[Thermal ignition by moving hot particles](#),” Invited Seminar, Air Force Research Laboratory, Edwards AFB, 26 May 2016.
- [G11] “[Thermal ignition by moving hot particles](#),” Thermo/Fluids Research Seminar, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department, University of California, Los Angeles. 13 May 2016.
- [G12] “[Ignition of *n*-hexane-air by moving hot particles: mechanism and effect of particle diameter](#),” Fluid Mechanics Research Conference, California Institute of Technology. 15 July 2015.
- [G13] “[Ignition of *n*-hexane-air mixtures by moving hot spheres](#),” Fluid Mechanics Research Conference, California Institute of Technology. 28 January 2014.
- [G14] “[Assessing the risk of accidental explosions in aircraft by heated particles](#),” Women in Aerospace Symposium, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. 18 – 19 April 2013.
- [G15] “[Ignition of nitrogen diluted hexane-oxygen mixtures by moving heated particles](#),” Fluid Mechanics Research Conference, California Institute of Technology. 19 February 2013.
- [G16] “[Statistical analysis of spark ignition of lean \$H_2\$ - \$N_2O\$ mixtures](#),” Fluid Mechanics Research Conference, California Institute of Technology. 10 January 2012.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

California Institute of Technology (as teaching assistant)

Ae104, Experimental Methods (Winter 2012)

Graduate level course on experiments in solid and fluid mechanics with emphasis on current research methods.

Ae121, Space Propulsion (Fall 2010, Winter 2011, Spring 2011)

Graduate level course that introduces the fundamentals of chemical, electric and advanced propulsion technologies.

University of Texas at Arlington (as teaching assistant)

MAE 1104, Introduction to Engineering (Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009)

Undergraduate freshman-level course providing an overview of engineering and its many sub-fields, ethical responsibilities, creativity, and design.

MAE 1105, Introduction to Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering (Fall 2007)
Undergraduate freshman-level introductory laboratory course.

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Silken Jones (Caltech PhD student). Project: [Moving Hot Particle Ignition](#). June 2016–August 2016.

Augustin Nové-Josserand (École Polytechnique MS student). Project: [Study of the ignition of hexane-air and hydrogen-air mixtures by concentrated hot surfaces](#). March 2015–August 2015.

Sebastián Rojas-Mata (Caltech undergraduate). Project: [Development of a near infrared two-color pyrometer for non-contact thermometry of moving heated particles](#). June 2012–August 2012.

PROFESSIONAL AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Conference Session Chair

International Symposium on Combustion (2016)

International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems (2015)

Professional Affiliations

Member, The Combustion Institute

Member, Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS)

Member, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Journal Reviews

Fuel

Experimental Thermal and Fluid Science

Combustion Science and Technology

Proceedings of the Combustion Institute

Conference Reviews

International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems paper reviewer

Asia-Pacific Conference on Combustion paper reviewer

SACNAS presentation abstract and travel scholarship reviewer

University Service

Student Volunteer, Graduate Student Orientation at Caltech. September 2010.

Student Host, GradPreview Day at Caltech. 2009 – 2011.

Webmaster, American Society of Mechanical Engineers UTA student section. 2008 – 2009.

President, American Society of Mechanical Engineers UTA student section. 2007 – 2008.

Secretary, American Society of Mechanical Engineers UTA student section. 2006 – 2007.

Community Service

Volunteer Instructor at HMTech; taught “Mathematics in the Real World” to high school students during the summer of 2018.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Duncan Rannie Graduate Fellowship, California Institute of Technology, 2009 – 2010

Moore Foundation Minority Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Summer 2008

Outstanding ASME Student Member, University of Texas at Arlington, 2008

University of Texas at Arlington Academic Achievement Scholarship, 2007 – 2008

Student Alumni Sophomore Scholarship, University of Texas at Arlington, 2006 – 2007