# Ravikishore Kommajosyula

#### EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, MA, USA Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering & Computation Thesis: Modeling boiling boat transfer in CED simulations to design officient therma	Expected May 2020 GPA: 4.7/5	
<b>Technische Universität München (TUM), Munich, Germany</b>	2015	
<i>M.Sc. (Hons) in Computational Science &amp; Engineering</i>	GPA: 3.5/4	
Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (BITS), Goa, India	2010	
B.E. (Hons) in Mechanical Engineering	GPA: 3.2/4	
<ul> <li>WORK EXPERIENCE AND INTERNSHIPS</li> <li>TATA Motors Ltd. Assistant Manager in Supplier Quality Improvement, Sanand, India 2010-12</li> <li>Selected as one of the 44 people for the prestigious young leadership program and received a cross-functional training in sales, manufacturing &amp; planning during my first year</li> <li>Led a team of 3, responsible for improving the quality of 120 sheet-metal parts from 4 suppliers</li> <li>Performed process audits and conducted meetings with suppliers to enforce quality standards</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>French Commission of Atomic Energy &amp; Alternative Energy (CEA), Summer Intern, Paris, France 2018</li> <li>Formulated a criterion to classify bubbly flows based on the accumulation of vapor at the wall by performing statistical analysis of experimental data</li> <li>New criterion enables better prediction of the heat transfer and pressure drop in nuclear reactors</li> </ul>		
European Nuclear Research Commission (CERN), Summer Intern, Geneva, Switzerle	and 2015	
· Improved the throughput of the track-reconstruction algorithm using shared-n	nemory parallelism	

· Achieved a speedup factor of 4.5x on 8 threads on a highly memory-bound algorithm

### LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## MIT Mechanical Engineering Communication Lab, Communication Fellow2018-20• Provided over 50 hours of peer coaching to help communicate science to a broader audience

- Participated in a year-long training on communication and was mentored by senior fellows
- Conducted workshops and wrote articles to provide guidelines on scientific communication

## Winter course: Practical Computer Science for Computational Scientists, Lead Instructor 2018-20

### • Proposed and created a two-week course on computation to fill a knowledge gap in the curriculum

• Led the course for three years with an average attendance of 60 people and over \$2000 raised

## Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), MIT Chapter, Co-President & Secretary 2015-18

- · Organized a seminar series to provide a forum for computational researchers at MIT
- $\cdot\,$  Oversaw the transition of the chapter by hiring new officers and advising on strategic issues

## Baglietto CFD Lab, MIT, Computational Facilities and System Administrator2015-20

· Managed a 38-node computational cluster in the research group to run large CFD simulations

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**Engineering:** Heat Transfer, Fluid Mechanics, Multi-phase flows, Computational Fluid Dynamics **Computation:** Scientific Computing, Modeling, Applied Mathematics, Image Processing **Data Science:** Uncertainty Quantification, Stochastic Inference, Statistical Learning, Data fitting **Programming:** MATLAB, C, C++, Python, FORTRAN, Java, OpenMP, MPI, CUDA

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Best poster award in 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Boiling & Condensation Heat Transfer 2018
- Prestigious Honors degree in Computational Engineering by the Elite Network of Bavaria 2015
- Second best paper award in the IEEE Germany Student Conference 2014, Passau, Germany 2014

#### ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND THESES

**Ph.D. Thesis:** Modeling boiling heat transfer in CFD simulations to design efficient thermal devices. *Advisor: Prof. Emilio Baglietto* 

- Developed a mechanistic model that describes the physics of boiling heat transfer in internal flows, that can be used in CFD simulations to design and operate more efficient thermal devices
- Validated the model in a multi-level approach, starting from the individual mechanisms, and proceeding to the overall phenomena, to provide a faithful representation of the underlying physics
- Implemented the flow boiling model as an external C++ library in a CFD solver (STAR-CCM+)

**Master Thesis:** Selectively resolved flow simulations using coupled Lattice-Boltzmann & Navier-Stokes solvers. *Advisor: Prof. Hans-Joachim Bungartz, Dr. Philipp Neumann* 

- Developed a numerical scheme to spatially couple Lattice-Boltzmann and Navier-Stokes solvers, to compute distinct parts of the fluid domain using different solvers, and aggregate the solutions
- Implemented the scheme on an MPI-parallel code, and validated it for transient Poiseuille flows

Bachelor Thesis: Topology Optimization of blank fit for sheet metal forming applications.

Advisor: Mr. TK Narayan

- Developed an algorithm to find the optimal trapezoid that envelops the initial blank shape required to form a part, thereby improving the material utilization in sheet metal forming by up to 23%
- Implemented the algorithm in *Altair HyperForm* suite of products for sheet metal forming

#### **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

1)	Boiling crisis as the stability limit to wall heat partitioning. Applied Physics Letters	2019
2)	Investigation of subcooled flow boiling and CHF using high-resolution diagnostics,	2018
	Experimental Thermal and Fluid Sciences	
3)	A reassessed model for mechanistic prediction of bubble departure and lift-off diameters, International Journal for Heat and Mass Transfer	2018
4)	ATHLET scripting framework for embedding/extending: An efficient, flexible & easy-to-use	2014
•	Python framework to a large FORTRAN code. IEEE Germany Student Conference, Passau	
CON	NFERENCES	
1)	Development and multi-level validation of a mechanistic heat flux partitioning model for	2019
	boiling neat transfer, Nuclear Reactor Thermal Hydraulics (NURETH), Portland	
2)	A criterion to classify void fraction profiles in adiabatic bubbly flows based on averaged flow	2019
	quantities for subchannel codes, Nuclear Reactor Thermal Hydraulics (NURETH), Portland	
3)	A cavity-size-independent model for bubble departure frequency based on thermal boundary	2018
	layer energy limit, International Conference on Boiling & Condensation Heat Transfer, Nagasaki	

4) A more general Force Balance Model to predict Bubble Departure and Lift-off Diameters in 2016 flow boiling, American Physical Society – Division for Fluid Dynamics Conference, Portland

#### HOBBIES

Running (Cambridge Half 2016), Hiking (Alps, White mountains), Skiing, Biking, Soccer, Cooking