# **James Gerity**

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#### Education

#### 2019 (expected) PhD, Physics

Texas A&M University (College Station, TX)

Research interests: transport of intense charged particle beams through magnetic lattices, particle-in-cell simulation, magnetic and mechanical design of cost-effective superconducting dipole and quadrupole magnets for scientific, industrial, and medical applications.

2011 B.Sc. Physics

**B.Sc. Mathematics** 

University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Baltimore, MD)

### **Work Experience**

#### 2011-Present Research Assistant, Texas A&M University (College Station, TX)

Conducted research on improvements to particle accelerators with the Accelerator Research Laboratory. Responsibilities included designing and running simulations (COMSOL multiphysics, finite elements, particle-in-cell), analyzing results and producing summary plots and technical reports, as well as mentoring new graduate and undergraduate students.

#### 2008-2011 IT Administrator, Leonard Paper Company (Baltimore, MD)

Served as head of IT, responsible for ~100 desktop workstations, ~40 laptops, Oracle and MySQL databases, and AIX, Windows, and Linux servers. Interacted with users to resolve computer problems, automated administrative processes and reporting, and advised company management on long-term IT decisions (e.g. software upgrades, telephony, hardware purchasing). Created custom version of the terminal emulation software PuTTY to interface with proprietary inventory system, replacing equivalent software for a savings of \$400/seat and allowing the entire salesforce to use the system concurrently.

## Programming Languages and Skills

**Python:** proficient with the SciPy stack, predominantly numpy and matplotlib. Exposure to most of the standard libraries. Skilled in managing a development environment using pip, Anaconda, Vagrant.

**Shell/awk scripting, GNU utilities:** Experience with Linux/Unix environments, creation of scripts for process automation and data wrangling, system configuration and other administrative tasks.

**Javascript:** Familiarity with jQuery, d3.js, three.js in the browser. Some experience using Node.js for server-side applications using e.g. Socket.io.

**Other proficiencies:** COMSOL Multiphysics, C++, R, MATLAB, Mathematica, Excel (including VBA), HTML/CSS, image editing.

### Other

### **GitStub**

Chrome browser extension that provides repository recommendations for GitHub users. Created over 36 hours in October 2016 for HackRice, where it won 2nd place and several prizes.