

# Steven Roberts | Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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### Virginia Tech

*Ph.D. Student in Computer Science, 3.97 GPA*

*Fall 2016 – present*

### Virginia Tech

*B.S. in Computer Science and B.S. in Mathematics, 3.98 GPA*

*Fall 2012 – Spring 2016*

Highest GPA in both graduating classes

## Skills and Qualifications

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**Programming Languages:** Proficient in MATLAB and Mathematica, experienced with C (including OpenMP and MPI), CUDA, C++, C#, Python, and Java

**Mathematics:** Strong background in linear algebra, numerical analysis, and differential equations

**Web Development:** Experienced in HTML, ECMAScript 2018, Node.js, CSS, SASS, and creating Chrome Extensions

**Databases:** Experienced with SQL databases and basic querying

## Work History

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### Virginia Tech Computational Science Laboratory

*Research Assistant*

*Spring 2015 – present*

- Designing, analyzing, and testing new multirate time integrators for numerically solving multiscale differential equations
- Developing new implicit-explicit (IMEX) methods for suitable for stiff problems and differential algebraic equations.
- Creating a new framework for multimethods based on partitioned general linear methods

### CS 4234: Parallel Computation

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

*Fall 2019*

- Held weekly office hour to help students on assignments
- Taught eight of the classes

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

*Intern*

*Summer 2019*

- Developed new implicit multirate Runge–Kutta methods for solving stiff, multiscale systems of ordinary differential equations
- Compared and implemented variants of multirate backward differentiation formula methods

### Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

*Intern*

*Summer 2018*

- Implemented and optimized finite element operations for GPUs using CUDA
- Achieved 10 to 100 times speedup over other CPU and GPU implementations
- Contributed to the open-source project libCEED

### NASA Glenn Research Center

*Intern*

*Summer 2017*

- Created 1D hybrid direct kinetic simulation of a Hall thruster
- Developed software in C++ from the ground up
- Modeled time-dependent velocity distribution functions of various species in plasma
- Gained experience with using the finite volume method, solving integro-differential equations, and using visualization tools

### **Insurance Institute for Highway Safety**

*Intern*

*Summer 2013 – 2016*

- Worked on C# applications for managing vehicle records stored in SQL databases
- Redesigned and updated mobile website
- Set up OAuth server
- Worked with several frontend web frameworks
- Gained first-hand experience in software development life cycle

### **Web Developer**

*Freelance*

*2016 – present*

- Designed and created websites for two VT Materials Science and Engineering professors' research groups
- Developed four Chrome Extensions used by more than 75,000 users

## **Volunteer Work and Involvement**

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**Spring 2019 – present:** Treasurer of VT Chess Club

**Fall 2017 – Fall 2019:** Volunteer for VT CSRC Career Fair

**2016:** Volunteer Math Tutor for Teacher Praxis Preparation

**2013 – 2015:** Galipatia Academic Committee Member

**2014:** Volunteer Android app developer for Institute of Industrial Engineers Mid-Atlantic Conference

## **Recognitions and Accomplishments**

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**Fall 2018 – Spring 2020:** Virginia Space Grant Consortium Graduate STEM Research Fellowship Recipient

**2017:** Davenport Fellowship Recipient

**2016 – present:** Member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

**2016:** Winner of VT David Heilman Memorial Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Research

**2016:** Winner of VT Math Outstanding Senior, Applied Computational Option

**2016:** Pivot Point Hackathon - Third place

**2014 – 2016:** Winner of VT CS Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Scholar Awards

**2012 – 2016:** VT Dean's List with Distinction

## **Publications**

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- [1] S. Roberts, J. Loffeld, A. Sarshar, C. S. Woodward, and A. Sandu, "Implicit multirate GARK methods," *arXiv preprint arXiv:1910.14079*, submitted 2019.
- [2] A. Sarshar, S. Roberts, and A. Sandu, "Alternating directions implicit integration in a general linear method framework," *arXiv preprint arXiv:1902.00622*, accepted 2019.
- [3] S. Roberts, A. Sarshar, and A. Sandu, "Coupled multirate infinitesimal GARK schemes for stiff systems with multiple time scales," *arXiv preprint arXiv:1812.00808*, submitted 2019.
- [4] A. Sarshar, S. Roberts, and A. Sandu, "Design of high-order decoupled multirate GARK schemes," *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, vol. 41, no. 2, pp. A816–A847, 2019.

## Conference Presentations

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<b>International Conference on Scientific Computation Differential Eqs.</b> <i>Implicit Multirate GARK Methods</i> Steven Roberts, John Loffeld, Arash Sarshar, Adrian Sandu, and Carol Woodward	<b>Innsbruck, Austria</b> <i>July 23, 2019</i>
<b>Virginia Space Grant Consortium Student Research Conference</b> <i>Practical Multirate Time Integration Methods</i> Steven Roberts, and Adrian Sandu	<b>Hampton, VA</b> <i>April 8, 2019</i>
<b>SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering</b> <i>Implicit Multirate Generalized Additive Runge–Kutta Methods</i> Steven Roberts, John Loffeld, Arash Sarshar, Adrian Sandu, and Carol Woodward	<b>Spokane, WA</b> <i>March 1, 2019</i>

## Software

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<b>ODE Test Problems</b> <i>A MATLAB suite of initial value problems</i> Steven Roberts, Andrey Popov, and Adrian Sandu <a href="https://github.com/ComputationalScienceLaboratory/ODE-Test-Problems">https://github.com/ComputationalScienceLaboratory/ODE-Test-Problems</a>	<b>0.0.1</b>
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