

# Alëna Rodionova

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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. in Electrical and Systems Engineering** August 2017 – present  
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA  
*Advisor:* Prof. Rahul Mangharam  
*Co-advisor:* Dr. Houssam Abbas
- M.S. in Applied Mathematics and Informatics (with honors)** September 2012 – June 2014  
Siberian Federal University, Russia  
*Thesis:* “Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flows”  
*Advisor:* Asst. Prof. Bekezhanova V. B.
- B.S. in Mathematics (with honors)** September 2008 – June 2012  
Siberian Federal University, Russia  
*Thesis:* “Solving Constrained Optimization Problems by using Genetic Algorithm”  
*Advisor:* Asst. Prof. Panfilov I. A.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Autonomous Systems, Cyber-Physical Systems, Control and Verification theory, Formally Constrained Machine Learning.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Research and Development Intern** June 2018 – August 2018  
General Motors, Warren, MI  
GM Global Technical Center  
ECS Process, Methods and Tools Group  
*Project:* Correctness Preserving Optimization of Deep Neural Networks
- Research Assistant** February 2015 – November 2017  
Vienna University of Technology, Vienna, Austria  
Institute of Computer Engineering  
Cyber-Physical Systems Group  
*Project:* A Specification Language for Emergent Properties
- Project Assistant** June 2013 – February 2015  
Russian Academy of Sciences, Siberian Branch, Russia  
Institute of Computational Modeling  
*Projects:* Convection Motions with Interfaces and Their Stability  
The Study of Nonlinear Heat and Mass Transfer Regimes and Their Stability in Binary Mixtures

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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| <b>EECS Rising Stars, MIT</b><br>Awarded to top women in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science                                                                     | October 2018        |
| <b>Fellowship Award from University of Pennsylvania</b><br>Awarded to PhD students in recognition of exceptional performance                                             | May 2017            |
| <b>Best Student Paper Award</b><br>19 <sup>th</sup> ACM International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC 2016)<br>CPS Week 2016, <i>Austria</i> | April 2016          |
| <b>Best Paper Presentation Award</b><br>10th All-Russian Scientific Students Conference “Youth and Science”, <i>Russia</i>                                               | April 2014          |
| <b>Vladimir Potanin Foundation Scholarship Contest</b><br>Awarded to top Bachelor and Master students nation-wide, <i>Russia</i>                                         | February 2011, 2012 |

## PATENTS

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1. Correctness Preserving Optimization of Deep Neural Networks  
Prakash Mohan Peranandam, Ramesh Sethu and Alena Rodionova  
P047327-US-NP

## PUBLICATIONS (JOURNALS)

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1. H. Abbas, **A. Rodionova**, K. Mamouras, E. Bartocci, S. A. Smolka and R. Grosu  
“Quantitative Regular Expressions for Arrhythmia Detection Algorithms”  
*IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics*, ISSN 1545-5963, 2018.
2. H. Abbas, R. Alur, K. Mamouras, R. Mangharam and **A. Rodionova**  
“Real-time Decision Policies with Predictable Performance”  
*Proceedings of the IEEE*, ISSN 0018-9219, Vol. 106, Issue 9, pp. 1593–1615, 2018.
3. **A. Rodionova**, E. Rezanova  
“Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flow”  
*Journal of Applied Mechanics and Technical Physics*, ISSN: 0021-8944, Vol. 57, No. 4, pp. 588–595, 2016.
4. V. Bekezhanova, **A. Rodionova**  
“Longwave Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flow in the Inclined Plane”  
*Fluid Dynamics*, ISSN 0015-4628, Vol. 50, No. 6, pp. 723–736, 2015.

## PUBLICATIONS (CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS)

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5. H. Abbas, M. O’Kelly, **A. Rodionova** and R. Mangharam  
“Safe At Any Speed: A Simulation-Based Test Harness for Autonomous Vehicles”  
*7th Workshop on Design, Modeling and Evaluation of Cyber Physical Systems (CyPhy17)*, Post-proceedings.
6. H. Abbas, **A. Rodionova**, E. Bartocci, S. A. Smolka and R. Grosu  
“Quantitative Regular Expressions for Arrhythmia Detection Algorithms”  
*15th international conference on Computational Methods in Systems Biology, CMSB2017*, Darmstadt, Germany, September 27-29, 2017, Proceedings.

7. **A. Rodionova**, M. O’Kelly, H. Abbas, V. Pacelli and R. Mangharam  
 “An Autonomous Vehicle Control Stack”  
*4th International Workshop on Applied Verification of Continuous and Hybrid Systems, ARCH17*, Pittsburgh, PA, April 2017.
8. **A. Rodionova**, E. Bartocci, D. Nickovic and R. Grosu  
 “Temporal Logic as Filtering”  
*19th ACM International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control, HSCC 2016*, Vienna, Austria, April 12-14, 2016, Proceedings. **Best Student Paper Award.**
9. **A. Rodionova**, V. Bekezhanova,  
 “Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flow with Long-Wave Perturbations”  
*15th All-Russian Young Scientists Conference on Mathematical Modelling and Information Technologies*, Russia, October 2014, Proceedings.
10. **A. Rodionova**, V. Bekezhanova,  
 “Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flow with Evaporation Effect and Long-Wave Perturbations”  
*10th All-Russian Scientific Students Conference “Youth and Science”*, Russia, April 2014, Proceedings. **Best Paper Presentation Award.**
11. V. Bekezhanova, **A. Rodionova**  
 “Microscale Static Two-Layer Fluid Flow in the Inclined Plane”  
*9th All-Russian Scientific Students Conference “Youth and Science”*, Russia, April 2013, Proceedings.
12. I. Panfilov, **A. Rodionova**  
 “Static and Dynamic Penalty Functions for Constrained Optimization in Genetic Algorithms”  
*8th All-Russian Scientific Students Conference “Youth and Science”*, Russia, April 2012, Proceedings.
13. S. Senashov, **A. Rodionova**, I. Shefer  
 “New Contact Transformations”  
*14th International Scientific Conference “Reshetnev’s Readings”*, Russia, November 2010, Proceedings.

## PUBLICATIONS (BOOK CHAPTERS)

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14. **A. Rodionova**, E. Bartocci, D. Nickovic and R. Grosu  
 “Temporal Logic as Filtering”  
*NATO Science for Peace and Security Series - Information and Communication Security*, Dependable Software Systems Engineering, Vol. 50, pp. 164-185, 2017.

## PUBLICATIONS (MAGAZINE ARTICLES)

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15. H. Abbas, M. O’Kelly, **A. Rodionova** and R. Mangharam  
 “A Driver’s License Test for Driverless Vehicles”  
*ASME Dynamic Systems and Control Magazine*, December 2017.

## SELECTED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

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**EECS Rising Stars Workshop, Poster presentation** October 2018  
*Foundations of Safe Autonomy: On-Board Verification and Formally-Constrained Machine Learning*  
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

**CyberCardia (NSF Frontiers) PI Meeting** April 2018  
*Quantitative Regular Expressions for Arrhythmia Detection Algorithms*  
 Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

<b>CyberCardia (NSF Frontiers) PI Meeting</b> <i>Cardiac Arrhythmias Analysis: VT/SVT Discrimination Algorithm</i> Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY	April 2016
<b>ARVI Meeting</b> <i>Temporal Logic as Filtering</i> Estonian Academy of Science, Tallinn, Estonia	December 2015
<b>CyberCardia (NSF Frontiers) PI Meeting</b> <i>On Temporal Logic and Signal Processing</i> NSF Stafford Place, Arlington, VA	September 2015
<b>Institute of Computational Modeling, Research Seminar</b> <i>Stability of Two-Layer Fluid Flow with Evaporation Effect</i> Krasnoyarsk, Russia	September 2014
<b>Kyrgyz State Technical University, Invited talk</b> <i>Enumerative Combinatorics</i> Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan	April 2014

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Teacher of Mathematics</b> Krasnoyarsk Educational Institution Lyceum 6, <i>Russia</i>	September 2013 – July 2014
<b>Teacher in Extracurricular Activities</b> Krasnoyarsk Preschool 3, <i>Russia</i>	February 2013 – May 2013
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> Krasnoyarsk Summer School Siberian Federal University, <i>Russia</i>	August 2010, 2011

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### Journal Reviewer

- Chaos: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Nonlinear Science, 2018
- International Journal of Formal Methods in System Design (FMSD), 2017
- International Journal on Software Tools for Technology Transfer (STTT), 2017

### Conference Reviewer

- International Conference on Embedded Software (EMSOFT), 2018
- International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems (ICCPS), 2018
- International SPIN Symposium on Model Checking of Software (SPIN), 2017
- International Conference on Tools and Algorithms for the Construction and Analysis of Systems (TACAS), 2016
- International Conference on Runtime Verification (RV), 2016
- International Symposium on Automated Technology for Verification and Analysis (ATVA), 2016
- International Workshop on Hybrid Systems Biology (HSB), 2016
- International Conference on Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems (FORMATS), 2015
- International Conference on Computational Methods in Systems Biology (CMSB), 2015

## LANGUAGES SKILLS

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**English:** proficient

**Russian:** native

**German:** basic