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## Postdoctoral Positions.

2018-2021 **Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland**, Advisor: Frédéric Courbin.

## Education.

- 2014-2018 **Ph.D. in Astrophysics**, *Universidad de Valparaíso*, Valparaíso, Chile.  
Thesis: "Strong Gravitational Lensing as a Probe of Structure from Small to Large Scales".  
Advisor: Verónica Motta, Readers: Dante Minniti (UNAB) and Eric Jullo (LAM)
- 2012-2014 **Master in Astrophysics**, *Universidad de Valparaíso*, Valparaíso, Chile..  
Thesis: "Gravitational lens Applications".  
Advisor: Verónica Motta, Readers: Dante Minniti (UNAB) and Victor Cardenas (UV)
- 2007-2011 **Bachelor in Physics with specialization in Astronomy**, *Universidad de Valparaíso*, Chile.

## Prizes and Grants

- 2020 **IAU-OAD outreach project: "Asteroids workshop: A rocky adventure"**, funding of 5875 EUR for the implementation of the workshop in 20 public Chilean schools by July 2021.
- 2018 **Award 100 Young Chilean Leaders**.
- 2017 **Grant, LSSTC Data science Fellowship Program**.
- 2017 **Grant, Beca CONICYT para doctorado nacional 2017**.
- 2014-2016 **Grant, Beca Doctoral FIB-UV**.
- 2015 **Graduate Student Prize Lecture**, XII SOCHIAS annual meeting.
- 2012 **Grant, Beca Maestría, GEMINI-CONICYT 32100020 y 32110004**.

## Presentation in conferences.

- 2020 **XVI SOCHIAS Annual Meeting**, *Online*, December, 9-11.  
Talk: Lens finding using neural networks.
- 2020 **Swiss Euclid Days 2020**, *Laussane, Switzerland*, February, 4-5.  
Talk: Strong Lens Finding: Simulations to train Neural Networks.
- 2019 **Euclid Strong Lensing Working Group**, *Paris, France*, October, 16-18.  
Talk: Lens Finding: Simulations + CNN applied to ground base data.
- 2019 **Mahattan Microlens 2019**, *New York, United States*, February, 14-17.  
Talk: Microlensing Effect on Time Delays Measurements.
- 2017 **XIth Marseille Cosmology Conference: "Galaxy clusters across cosmic time"**, *Aix-En-Provence, France*, July, 10-13.  
Talk: New dynamical analysis for the strong lensing cluster Abell 1703.
- 2016 **I workshop of the southern astrophysics network**, *Santiago, Chile*, November, 21-22.  
Talk: Probing the stellar fraction in dark matter halos of lensing galaxies using microlensing.
- 2016 **XIII Annual SOCHIAS Meeting**, *Antofagasta, Chile*, March, 1-4.  
Talk: Quasar accretion disks: size and temperature profile using microlensing.
- 2015 **Demographics and enviroment of AGN from multi-wavelength surveys**, *Chania, Grecia*, September, 21-24.  
Talk: Quasar accretion disks: size and temperature profile using microlensing.
- 2015 **XII SOCHIAS annual meeting**, *Puerto Varas, Chile*, March, 12-15.  
Plenary talk: Strong Chromatic Microlensing in HE0047-1756 and SDSS1155+6456.

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## Attendance to meetings, workshops, and Schools

- 2019 **Euclid Consortium Annual Meeting**, Helsinki, Finland, June 4-7.
- 2015 **School of Statistics for Astrophysics: classification and clustering**, Les Houches, France, October, 12-16.
- 2014 **First VLTI School in Chile**, Valparaíso, Chile, November, 3-7.
- 2013 **VISTA Variable in the Vía Láctea Science Meeting**, Viña del Mar, Chile, March, 21-23.

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## Observing Experience

**SOAR Telescope**, *Cerro Pachón*, Instruments: SAMI and GOODMAN.

2015B-0615 (PI Motta): November 30th to December 2nd

2016-0107 (PI Treu): June 24th to 26th

2016A-0608 (PI Motta): June 27th to 29th

2016B-0919 (PI Motta): December 3rd to 5th

2016B-0067 (PI True): December 6th to 8th

**2.2m Telescope**, *La Silla*, Instrument: GROND, FEROS, WFI.

QSO monitoring program observer (PI Courbin): 22 night splits between 2017 and 2018.

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## Data Science Experience

**Euclid Lens Finding Project.**

- Convolutional Neural Network (basic).
- Data catalog manipulation and analysis.
- Utilization of simple SQL queries.

**LSSTC Data Science Fellowship**, *Alumni of the 2nd cohort of the program that consists of six, one-week schools over a two year period in United States.*

- Session 4: Statistics, Seattle, September 17-22, 2017
- Session 5: Image processing, Baltimore, January 22-26, 2018
- Session 6: Time-domain analysis and interactive visualization, Pittsburgh, April 30 - May 4, 2018
- Session 7: Machine learning and software engineering, Chicago, November 5-12, 2018
- Session 8: Scalable software and data storage, New Jersey, March 25-29, 2019
- Session 9: Time series analysis, Pittsburgh, June 10-14, 2019

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## Teaching Experience

- 2020 **Co-Teaching class "Modeling of gravitational lens system"**, Postgrado en Astrofísica, Universidad de Valparaíso.
- 2020 **Supervisor of master project**, "Automatic modelling of gravitational lens system", student: Mark Maus, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.
- 2020 **Co-supervisor of master thesis**, "Searching for strong lenses in r-band DES images using a convolutional neural network", student: Camille Arruat, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.
- 2019 **Supervisor of practical work for master students**, "Redshift estimation for SL2S groups of galaxies", student: Aurelien Verdier, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.
- 2014 **Teaching assistant for advance astrophysics**, *Magister en Astrofísica, Universidad de Valparaíso.*
- 2012/2013 **Profesor de catedra for Physics**, *Pedagogía en Matemática, Universidad de Valparaíso.*
- 2009-2011 **Teaching assistant for Physics and Statistics**, *Universidad de Valparaíso.*

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## Outreach

- 2013-to the date **Co-founder and Science Communicator**, *Star Tres*, [www.startres.net](http://www.startres.net).  
Science outreach initiative in Spanish that create content in social media
- 2017 **Scientific Assistant.**  
Science collaborator in the script of the planetarium show "Bot y Lu: El Escape del Agujero Negro", [planetariochile.cl](http://planetariochile.cl).

- 2016 **EXPLORA annual regional congress.**  
Judge for the investigations presented in the "Engineering and Technology" section, Puerto Montt, Chile
- 2007-2015 **Public talks.**  
presentations in schools, turistic observatories and public congress related with astronomy
- 2009 **Science Tunnel exposition by Max Plack Institute.**  
Monitor for astronomy and physics modules

## Programming & Language Knowledge

**Programming Languages**, Python, Wolfram Mathematica, Fortran 77 and 90.  
**Astronomy Softwares**, IRAF, DS9, Dipso, IDL, Topcat, Aladin.  
**Languages**, Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), French (A2).

## Publication Record

**17 Published papers in refereed journals.**  
**323 citations from all my publications.**  
**h-index = 13.**

	Totals	Refereed
Number of citing papers	171	161
Total citations	323	309
Number of self-citations	40	40
Average citations	10.8	18.2
Median citations	5.5	17
Normalized citations	19.4	18.3
Refereed citations	263	257
Average refereed citations	8.8	15.1
Median refereed citations	4	15
Normalized refereed citations	15.6	15.4

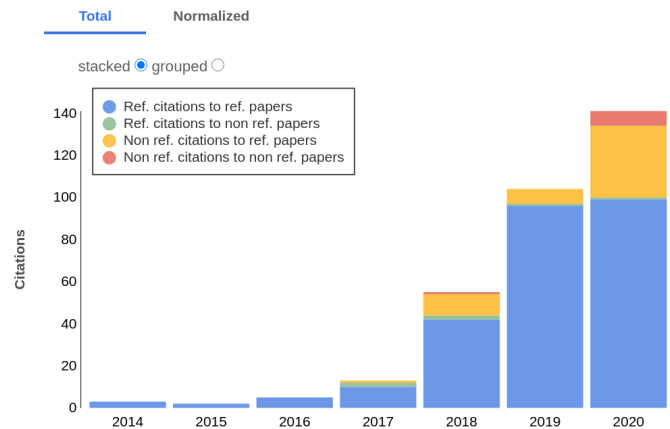


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## Publications List

- 18.- **Measuring accretion disk sizes of lensed quasars with microlensing time delay in multi-band light curves**, 2020, A&A, Accepted..  
J. H. H. Chan, **K. Rojas**, M. Millon, F. Courbin, V. Bonvin, and G. Jauffret  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2020arXiv200714416C/abstract>
- 17.- **TDCOSMO II: 6 new time delays in lensed quasars from high-cadence monitoring at the MPIA 2.2m telescope**, 2020, A&A, Volume 642, id.A193, 14 pp..  
Millon, M.; Courbin, F.; Bonvin, V.; Buckley-Geer, E.; Fassnacht, C. D.; Frieman, J.; Marshall, P. J.; Suyu, S. H.; Treu, T.; Anguita, T.; Motta, V.; Agnello, A.; Chan, J. H. H.; C. -Y Chao, D.; Chijani, M.; Gilman, D.; Gilmore, K.; Lemon, C.; Lucey, J. R.; Melo, A. Paic, E.; **Rojas, K.**; Sluse, D.; Williams, P. R.; Hempel, A.; Kim, S.; Lachaume, R.; Rabus, M.  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2020arXiv200610066M/abstract>
- 16.- **HOLISMOKES – II. Identifying galaxy-scale strong gravitational lenses in Pan-STARRS using convolutional neural networks**, 2020, A&A, Accepted.  
Canameras, R.; Schuldt, S.; Suyu, S. H.; Taubenberger, S.; Meinhardt, T.; Leal-Taixe, L.; Lemon, C.; **Rojas, K.**; Savary, E.  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2020arXiv200413048C/abstract>
- 15.- **Microlensing Analysis for the gravitational lens systems SDSS0924+0219, Q1355-2257, and SDSS1029+2623**, 2020, The Astrophysical Journal, 890:3 (9pp).  
**Rojas, K.**; Motta, V.; Mediavilla, E.; Jiménez-Vicente, J.; Falco, E.; Fian, C.  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2020ApJ...890....3R/abstract>

- 14.- **COSMOGRAIL. XVIII. time delays of the quadruply lensed quasar WFI2033-4723**, 2019, A&A, Volume 629, id.A97, 13 pp.  
Bonvin, V.; Millon, M.; Chan, J. H.-H.; Courbin, F.; Rusu, C. E.; Sluse, D.; Suyu, S. H.; Wong, K. C.; Fassnacht, C. D.; Marshall, P. J.; Treu, T.; Buckley-Geer, E.; Frieman, J.; Hempel, A.; Kim, S.; Lachau, R.; Rabus, M.; Chao, D. C. -Y.; Chijani, M.; Gilman, D.; Gilmore, **K.**; **Rojas, K.**; Williams, P.; Anguita, T.; Kochanek, C. S.; Morgan, C.; Motta, V.; Tewes, M.; Meylan, G.,  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2019A%26A...629A..97B/abstract>
- 13.- **Quasar microlensing: Revolutionizing our understanding of quasar structure and dynamics**, 2019, Astro2020: Decadal Survey on Astronomy and Astrophysics, science white papers, no. 487; Bulletin of the American Astronomical Society, Vol. 51, Issue 3, id. 487.  
Moustakas, Leonidas; Anguita, Timo; Chartas, George; Cornachione, Matthew; Dai, Xinyu; Fian, Carina; Jimenez-Vicente, Jorge; Labrie, Kathleen; Macleod, Chelsea; Mediavilla, Evencio; Morgan, Christopher W.; O'Dowd, Matthew; Lewis, Geraint; Motta, Veronica; Nierenberg, Anna; Pooley, David; **Rojas, Karina**; Sluse, Dominique; Vernardos, Georgios; Webster, Rachel; Yong, Suk Yee,  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2019BAAS...51c.487M/abstract>
- 12.- **Constraining the microlensing effect on time delays with a new time-delay prediction model in  $H_0$  measurements**, 2018, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Volume 481, Issue 1, p.1115-1125.  
Chen, Geoff C. -F.; Chan, James H. H.; Bonvin, Vivien; Fassnacht, Christopher D.; **Rojas, Karina**; Millon, Martin; Courbin, Fred; Suyu, Sherry H.; Wong, Kenneth C.; Sluse, Dominique; Treu, Tommaso; Shajib, Anowar J.; Hsueh, Jen-Wei; Lagattuta, David J.; Koopmans, Leon V. E.; Vegetti, Simona; McKean, John P.  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2018MNRAS.481.1115C/abstract>
- 11.- **The STRong lensing Insights into the Dark Energy Survey (STRIDES) 2016 follow-up campaign - II. New quasar lenses from double component fitting**, 2018, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Volume 480, Issue 4, p.5017-5028.  
Anguita, T.; Schechter, P. L.; Kuropatkin, N.; Morgan, N. D.; Ostrovski, F.; Abramson, L. E.; Agnello, A.; Apostolovski, Y.; Fassnacht, C. D.; Hsueh, J. W.; Motta, V.; **Rojas, K.**; Rusu, C. E.; Treu, T.; Williams, P.; Auger, M.; Buckley-Geer, E.; Lin, H.; McMahon, R.; Abbott, T. M. C.; Allam, S.; Annis, J.; Bernstein, R. A.; Bertin, E.; Brooks, D.; Burke, D. L.; Carnero Rosell, A.; Carrasco-Kind, M.; Carretero, J.; Cunha, C. E.; D'Andrea, C. B.; De Vicente, J.; DePoy, D. L.; Desai, S.; Diehl, H. T.; Doel, P.; Flaugher, B.; Garc  a-Bellido, J.; Gerdes, D. W.; Gruen, D.; Gruendl, R. A.; Gschwend, J.; Hartley, W. G.; Hollowood, D. L.; Honscheid, K.; James, D. J.; Kuehn, K.; Lima, M.; Maia, M. A. G.; Miquel, R.; Plazas, A. A.; Sanchez, E.; Scarpine, V.; Smith, M.; Soares-Santos, M.; Sobreira, F.; Suchyta, E.; Tarle, G.; Walker, A. R.  
<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2018MNRAS.480.5017A/abstract>
- 10.- **The STRong lensing Insights into the Dark Energy Survey (STRIDES) 2016 follow-up campaign - I. Overview and classification of candidates selected by two techniques**, 2018, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Volume 481, Issue 1, p.1041-1054.  
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- 9.- **COSMOGRAIL. XVII. Time delays for the quadruply imaged quasar PG 1115+080**, 2018, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, Volume 616, id.A183, 15 pp.  
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<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2018A&A...616A.183B/abstract>
- 8.- **Discovery of three strongly lensed quasars in the Sloan Digital Sky Survey**, 2018, *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society: Letters*, Volume 477, Issue 1, p.L70-L74.  
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<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2018MNRAS.477L..70W/abstract>
- 7.- **COSMOGRAIL: the COSmological MONitoring of GRAvItational Lenses. XVI. Time delays for the quadruply imaged quasar DES J0408-5354 with high-cadence photometric monitoring**, 2018, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, Volume 609, id.A71, 9 pp.  
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- 5.- **Determination of Pulsation Periods and Other Parameters of 2875 Stars Classified as MIRA in the All Sky Automated Survey (ASAS)**, 2016, *The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series*, Volume 227, Issue 1, article id. 6, 13 pp.  
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- 4.- **Combining strong lensing and dynamics in galaxy clusters: integrating MAMPOSSt within LENSTOOL. I. Application on SL2S J02140-0535**, 2016, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, Volume 595, id.A30, 17 pp.  
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- 3.- **VVV Survey Observations of a Microlensing Stellar Mass Black Hole Candidate in the Field of the Globular Cluster NGC 6553**, 2015, *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, Volume 810, Issue 2, article id. L20, 5 pp.  
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- 2.- **Strong Chromatic Microlensing in HE0047-1756 and SDSS1155+6346**, 2015, *The Astrophysical Journal*, Volume 797, Issue 1, article id. 61, 7 pp.  
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