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## Personal Information

Full name: Rodrigo Alejandro González Vidal  
Date of birth: 24<sup>th</sup>, September 1992  
Place of birth: Viña del Mar, Chile  
Citizenship: Chilean  
Professional Degree: Ingeniero Civil Electrónico (Electronics Engineer)

## Research Interests

- Identification of continuous-time stochastic dynamical systems
- Non-parametric system identification methods
- Finite sample analysis system identification methods
- Control over Networks

## Education

- **KTH Royal Institute of Technology** Stockholm, Sweden  
*PhD., Division of Decision and Control Systems* 2017 - 2022 (Projected)
  - Supervisor: Assoc. Prof. Cristian R. Rojas.
- **Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María** Valparaíso, Chile  
*Master of Science of Electronic Engineering (Major: Automatic Control)* 2015 - 2016
  - Title: *Imposition of Causality and Passivity in Spectral Analysis* (in Spanish).
  - Supervisor: Prof. Ricardo A. Rojas.
  - Committee: PhD. Ricardo A. Rojas (UTFSM, Chile), PhD Cristian R. Rojas (KTH, Sweden), PhDc. Patricio E. Valenzuela (KTH, Sweden), PhD. Daniel Sbárbaro (U. Concepción, Chile).
  - Completed: November 2016.
- **Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María** Valparaíso, Chile  
*Electronics Engineering Degree (6-year degree)* 2011 - 2016
  - Supervisor: Prof. Ricardo A. Rojas.
  - GPA of 92% (Maximum: 100%). Ranking: 1<sup>st</sup> out of 70 students.
  - Completed: November 2016.

## PhD. Courses

- **PhD. Courses taken at KTH, Sweden:**

- FEM3200, Optimal Filtering (10.0 hp)
- FEM3220, Matrix Algebra (10.0 hp)
- FDS3103, Introduction to Scientific Writing (2.0 hp)
- FSF3862, Nonlinear Systems, Analysis and Control (7.5 hp)
- FLH3000, Basic Communication and Teaching (3.0 hp)
- FEL3210, Multivariable Feedback Control Systems (8.0 hp)
- FEF3301, Computational Game Theory (8 hp)

- **MSc./PhD. Courses taken at UTFSM, Chile:**

- MAT235, Functional Analysis (attended lectures)
- MAT379, Optimization and Control (attended lectures)
- MAT431, Probability Theory (attended lectures)
- MAT226, Measure Theory (attended lectures)
- MAT235, Complex Variables
- IPD476, Multivariable Control
- MAT225, Real Analysis
- IPD469, Models for Control
- IPD462, Advanced Design of Control Systems
- IPD468, System Dynamics
- IPD460, Information Theory
- IPD431, Probability and Random Processes
- IPD410, Mathematical Methods in Automatic Control

## Research Experience

- **PhD. student**

*Division of Decision and Control Systems, KTH*

Stockholm, Sweden  
*Oct. 2017 - 2022 (Projected)*

- Under the supervision of Assoc. Prof. Cristian R. Rojas.
- Output: 2 conferences papers (SYSID2018, CDC2018), 1 Journal and conference papers under preparation.

- **Reviewer**

*IEEE-IFAC*

Stockholm, Sweden  
*2017 -*

- Reviewer for IFAC Automatica Journal, Elsevier Signal Processing Journal, IEEE Control Systems Letters.

- **Research Assistant**

*Department of Electronics, UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
*Feb. 2017 - Sept. 2017*

- Hired by Project FONDECYT 1161241, ‘Optimal estimation and control over communication channels subject to data loss’.
- Under the supervision of Prof. Francisco Vargas.
- Output: 1 conference paper (ECC2018), Journal paper provisionally accepted (TAC), another Journal paper under preparation.

#### • **Research Intern**

*Control Systems Group, TU Berlin*

Berlin, Germany  
Jan. 2016 - Feb. 2016

- 8-week internship.
- Funded by CONICYT’s ‘Scholarship for short internships abroad’.

#### • **Visitor**

*Division of Decision and Control Systems, KTH*

Stockholm, Sweden  
Mar. 2016

- 2-week visit to the System Identification Group of KTH, invited by Prof. Cristian Rojas.

### Teaching and Supervision Experience

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*EL2820 ‘Modelling of Dynamical Systems’ (Masters Course)*

KTH, Sweden  
Autumn 2018

#### • **Supervisor of Bachelor Thesis project**

*Bachelor Thesis Course, Electrical Engineering Program*

KTH, Sweden  
Spring 2018

- Project: Evaluating different algorithms for detecting change-points in Time Series, by Henrik Eriksson and Victor Löfgren.

#### • **Supervisor of MSc. Thesis**

*Master Programme in System, Control and Robotics*

KTH, Sweden  
Spring 2018

- Thesis: ‘Hydraulic Closed Loop Control’, by Maria Elfving.

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*ELO-370 ‘Automatic Control II’(Digital Control)*

Department of Electronics, UTFSM, Chile  
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2016

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*ELO-104 ‘Linear Systems Analysis’ (4 times)*

Department of Electronics, UTFSM, Chile  
2015 - 2016

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*MAT-024 ‘Multivariable Integration and PDEs’*

Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile  
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2015

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*MAT-023 ‘Multivariable Differential Calculus and ODEs’*

Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile  
1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2014

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*FIS-120 ‘Electromagnetism’*

Department of Physics, UTFSM, Chile  
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2013

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*MAT-021 ‘Algebra and Elementary Calculus’*

Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile  
1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2013

#### • **Teaching Assistant**

*MAT-022 ‘Linear Algebra and Single Variable Integration’*

Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile  
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2012-2013

### Other working experience

#### • **Report Assistant**

*Department of Electronics, UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2016

- Report assistant and member of the committee of the accreditation process of the Master of Science degree in Electronic Engineering.
- After 1 year of work, we obtained 2 extra years of accreditation of the program (from 6 to 8).
- **Vicepresident of the Student Union** Valparaíso, Chile  
*Department of Electronics, UTFSM* 2015
  - Vicepresident of the association of all ~650 students of Electronic and Telematic Engineering of the UTFSM. The position lasts one year.
- **Summer intern** Ventanas, Chile  
*Codelco, Ventanas division* Jan. 2015 - March. 2015
  - Summer intern for 8 weeks in the Refinement section of Codelco (National Corporation of Copper).
- **Summer intern** Santiago, Chile  
*Honeywell Chile S.A.* Jan. 2014 - March. 2014
  - Summer intern for 8 weeks in Honeywell Chile S.A. Automatic Control Area.
- **PSU practice test corrector** Valparaíso, Chile  
*Admission team, UTFSM* 2011 - 2016
  - In charge of the validation and listing of format and mathematical errors of the PSU (National University Selection Test) practice tests of the UTFSM.
  - Over 30 practice exams validated.

## Merits and Awards

- **Recipient of the ‘Marcos Orrego Puelma’ award** Santiago, Chile  
*Institute of Engineers of Chile* 2017
  - Award given to the best Engineering student of UTFSM graduated in 2016 (among ~1000 students).
- **Recipient of the ‘Mejor titulado Ing. Civil Electrónica promoción 2016’ award** Valparaíso, Chile  
*School of Engineers of Chile* 2017
  - Distinction given to the best Electronic Engineer of UTFSM graduated in 2016, in recognition of his academic performance and his conditions of leadership and participation.
- **Recipient of the Distinción Académica ‘Federico Santa María’** Valparaíso, Chile  
*UTFSM* 2016
  - Award given to the best student of Electronics Engineering graduated in 2016.
- **Outstanding student of Master studies in Electronic Engineering** Valparaíso, Chile  
*UTFSM* 2016
  - Award given to the best student of Master of Science of Electronic Engineering graduated in 2016.
- **Recipient of the CONICYT ‘Scholarship for short internships abroad’** Santiago, Chile  
*CONICYT* 2016
  - National scholarship given to approximately 90 students of Chile per year to afford a short internship in a university abroad.
- **Recipient of the CONICYT ‘Scholarship for Master studies in Chile’** Santiago, Chile  
*CONICYT* 2015-2016
  - Award given to the best student of Electronics Engineering graduated in 2016.
- **1<sup>st</sup> place in the Honor list** Valparaíso, Chile  
*UTFSM* 2014-2015

- Honor given to the student with the best academical performance of all the University (among ~10000 students).

- **2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Honor list**  
*UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2014-2015

- Honor given to the student with the second best academical performance of all the University (among ~10000 students).

- **Recipient of the Academic Merit of the Electronics Department Award**  
*Department of Electronics, UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2012-2017

- Award given to all the students of the Electronics Department with average academic qualifications of over 80 out of 100.
- Award won 6 consecutive times (all the times possible).

- **Recipient of the ‘Premio al Mérito Académico UTFSM’**  
*UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2012-2016

- Award given to the two students with highest academic qualifications of all their generation in the University (around 1000 students per generation).
- Award won 5 consecutive times (all the times possible).

- **‘Puntaje Nacional’ Scholarship**  
*UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2011-2016

- Full undergraduate and postgraduate scholarship given to the student with perfect score in any PSU test (National University Selection Test) of 2010.

- **Highest PSU score of the UTFSM in 2011**  
*UTFSM*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2011

- Honor given to the student with highest average PSU (National University Selection Test) score who entered the UTFSM in 2011.

- **Perfect PSU score in Mathematics**  
*Ministry of Education of Chile*

Valparaíso, Chile  
2010

- Honor given to the student with perfect score in the PSU (National University Selection Test) of Mathematics of 2010.

## Skills

- **Computer Skills:** C (Basic), HTML (Basic), Python (Intermediate), MATLAB (advanced),  $\text{\LaTeX}$ (advanced).
- **Languages:** Spanish (Native), English (fluent), German (basic), Swedish (basic).
- Hold a Chilean driver’s license (B).

## Publications

### Journals

- **Rodrigo A. González**, Francisco J. Vargas and Jie Chen. Necessary and sufficient conditions for mean square stabilization over MIMO SNR-Constrained channels with colored and spatially correlated additive noises. In *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control* (Provisionally accepted), 2019.

- **Rodrigo A. González**, Patricio E. Valenzuela, Cristian R. Rojas and Ricardo A. Rojas. Optimal enforcement of causality in non-parametric transfer function estimation. In *IEEE Control Systems Letters*, 1(2): 268-273, 2017.

## Conferences

- **Rodrigo A. González**, James S. Welsh and Cristian R. Rojas. An asymptotically optimal indirect approach to continuous-time system identification. In *Proceedings of the 57th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC'18)*, Miami Beach, FL, USA, 2018.
- **Rodrigo A. González** and Cristian R. Rojas. A fully Bayesian approach to kernel-based regularization for impulse response estimation. In *Proceedings of the 18th IFAC Symposium on System Identification (SYSID'18)*, Stockholm, Sweden, 2018.
- **Rodrigo A. González**, Francisco J. Vargas and Jie Chen. Stabilization of MIMO systems over additive correlated noise channels subject to multiple SNR-constraints. In *Proceedings of the 16th European Control Conference (ECC'18)*, Limassol, Cyprus, 2018.

## Theses

- **Rodrigo A. González**, *Enforcement of Causality and Passivity in Spectral Analysis* (in Spanish) Master's Thesis, Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María, Valparaíso, Chile, November 2016. Supervisors: Prof. Ricardo A. Rojas, Cristian R. Rojas and Patricio E. Valenzuela.

## Others

- **Rodrigo A. González**, James S. Welsh and Cristian R. Rojas. *An asymptotically optimal indirect approach to continuous-time system identification*. Poster at the 2018 Workshop of the European Research Network on System Identification (ERNSI), September, Cambridge, U.K.
- **Rodrigo A. González** and Cristian R. Rojas. *An asymptotically optimal indirect approach to continuous-time system identification*. Presentation at the 2018 Swedish Control Conference (Reglermötet), June, Stockholm, Sweden.

## Interests

- **Sports**: Soccer, Basketball, running (10k-21k).
- **Music**: Guitar (acoustic, electric), Bass (fretted and fretless), keyboards.
- **Other interests**: Chess, reading, travelling.