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Personal Information

Full name: Rodrigo Alejandro González Vidal
Date of birth: 24th, 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
- Finite sample analysis of 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: 1st out of 70 students.
 - Completed: November 2016.

PhD. Courses

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

- FEM3200, Optimal Filtering (Autumn 2018)
- FEM3220, Matrix Algebra (Spring 2018)
- FDS3103, Introduction to Scientific Writing (Spring 2018)
- FSF3862, Nonlinear Systems, Analysis and Control (Spring 2018)
- FLH3000, Basic Communication and Teaching (Spring 2018)
- FEL3210, Multivariable Feedback Control Systems (Autumn 2017)
- FEF3301, Computational Game Theory (Autumn 2017)

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

- MAT235, Functional Analysis (attended lectures Semester 2017-1)
- MAT379, Optimization and Control (attended lectures Semester 2017-1)
- MAT263, Probability Theory and Stochastic Processes (attended lectures Semester 2016-1)
- MAT226, Measure Theory (attended lectures Semester 2015-2)
- MAT235, Complex Variables (Semester 2015-2)
- IPD476, Multivariable Control (Semester 2015-2)
- MAT225, Real Analysis (Semester 2015-1)
- IPD469, Models for Control (Semester 2015-1)
- IPD462, Advanced Design of Control Systems (Semester 2015-1)
- IPD468, System Dynamics (Semester 2014-2)
- IPD460, Information Theory (Semester 2014-2)
- IPD431, Probability and Random Processes (Semester 2014-1)
- IPD410, Mathematical Methods in Automatic Control (Semester 2013-2)

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** Berlin, Germany
Control Systems Group, TU Berlin *Jan. 2016 - Feb. 2016*
 - 8-week internship.
 - Funded by CONICYT’s ‘Scholarship for short internships abroad’.
- **Visitor** Stockholm, Sweden
Division of Decision and Control Systems, KTH *Mar. 2016*
 - 2-week visit to the System Identification Group of KTH, invited by Prof. Cristian Rojas.

Teaching and Supervision Experience

- **Teaching Assistant** KTH, Sweden
EL2820 ‘Modelling of Dynamical Systems’ (Masters Course) *Autumns 2018-2019*
- **Supervisor of Bachelor Thesis project** KTH, Sweden
Bachelor Thesis Course, Electrical Engineering Program *Spring 2018*
 - Project: Evaluating different algorithms for detecting change-points in Time Series, by Henrik Eriksson and Victor Löfgren.
- **Supervisor of MSc. Thesis** KTH, Sweden
Master Programme in System, Control and Robotics *Spring 2018*
 - Thesis: ‘Hydraulic Closed Loop Control’, by Maria Elfving.
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Electronics, UTFSM, Chile
ELO-370 ‘Automatic Control II’(Digital Control) *2nd Semester 2016*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Electronics, UTFSM, Chile
ELO-104 ‘Linear Systems Analysis’ (4 times) *2015 - 2016*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile
MAT-024 ‘Multivariable Integration and PDEs’ *2nd Semester 2015*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile
MAT-023 ‘Multivariable Differential Calculus and ODEs’ *1st Semester 2014*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Physics, UTFSM, Chile
FIS-120 ‘Electromagnetism’ *2nd Semester 2013*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile
MAT-021 ‘Algebra and Elementary Calculus’ *1st Semester 2013*
- **Teaching Assistant** Department of Mathematics, UTFSM, Chile
MAT-022 ‘Linear Algebra and Single Variable Integration’ *2nd Semester 2012-2013*

Other working experience

- **Volunteer in the organizing crew of SYSID’18** Stockholm, Sweden
KTH Royal institute of Technology *2018*

- In charge of solving technical issues and support during the IFAC Symposium on System Identification (SYSID'18), held in Stockholm.

- **Report Assistant** Valparaíso, Chile
Department of Electronics, UTFSM 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
 - National scholarship given to approximately 250 students of Chile per year to economically support their MSc. studies in a Chilean university.
- **1st place in the Honor list** Valparaíso, Chile
UTFSM 2014 and 2015
 - Honor given to the student with the best academical performance of all the University (among ~10000 students).
- **2nd place in the Honor list** Valparaíso, Chile
UTFSM 2013 and 2016
 - 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** Valparaíso, Chile
Department of Electronics, UTFSM 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’** Valparaíso, Chile
UTFSM 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** Valparaíso, Chile
UTFSM 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** Valparaíso, Chile
UTFSM 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** Valparaíso, Chile
Ministry of Education of 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), \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.
- **Music**: Guitar (acoustic, electric), Bass (fretted and fretless), Keyboards.
- **Other interests**: Chess, reading, travelling.