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Education

PhD (Dr. rer. nat) in Astrophysics

MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL PHYSICS

- Expected thesis defense date: August 2023.
- Enrolled through the International Max Planck Research School

Sep. 2020 - Present

Garching, Germany

M.Sc. in Astronomy

UNIVERSIDAD DE CHILE

Thesis: Molecular Clouds in Extreme Enviroments of the Low-Metallicity Magellanic System

Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2020

Santiago, Chile

B.Sc. in Astronomy

UNIVERSIDAD DE CHILE

- Obtained a Minor in Scientific Computing together with the B.Sc.
- Graduated with highest distinction.

Mar. 2014 - Dec. 2017

Santiago, Chile

Research interests

- Kinematic properties of gas around embedded protostars
- Streamers and asymmetric infall mechanisms from the natal core and beyond towards protostellar disks
- Molecular emission properties of the Interstellar Medium
- Early stages of low-mass star formation

Skills

Languages Spanish (native) English (C1), German (A2)

Programming languages Python, C, Java, R

CASA Imaging of interferometric data and use of the ALMA pipeline

GILDAS Use of CLASS for imaging of single-dish data and MAPPING for imaging of interferometric data

Version controlling tools Git

Publications

- **Valdivia-Mena, M. T., Pineda, J. E., Segura-Cox, D. M., et al.,** *PRODIGE - Envelope to disk with NOEMA I. The first streamer feeding a Class I protostar*, submitted to *Astronomy & Astrophysics* on February, 2022
- **Valdivia-Mena, M. T., Rubio, M., Bolatto, A. D., et al.,** *ALMA resolves molecular clouds in metal-poor Magellanic Bridge A*, 2021, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 641, A97

Talks

- Mar. 4th 2022 **Meeting of ALMA Young Astronomers**, Title: *Rivers in the sky: streamers discovered towards two Class I sources in Perseus*, Virtual
- Nov. 5th 2021 **12th IMPRS Students Symposium**, Title: *River in the sky: A streamer feeding a Class I protostar*, Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics, Garching, Germany
- Oct. 29th 2021 **Gaps, Rings, Spirals, and Vortices: Structure Formation in Planet-Forming Disks**, Title: *A Class I protostar with a high streamer mass infall rate*, Munich Institute for Astro- and Particle Physics, Garching, Germany
- Jun. 30th 2021 **European Astronomical Society Annual Meeting 2021**, Title: *River in the sky: A streamer feeding a Class I protostar*, Virtual
- Nov. 8th 2019 **Latin American Regional IAU Meeting 2019**, Title: *ALMA observations of molecular tracers in R136 in 30Dor: How does cold gas survive?*, Hotel Antofagasta, Antofagasta, Chile