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## CURRENT POSITION

Universidad Católica de la Santísima Concepción (UCSC)  
Faculty, Department of Mathematics and Applied Physics

CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE  
Mar '19 – Present

## EDUCATION

IPAG/Université Grenoble Alpes

GRENOBLE, FRANCE  
2012 – 2015

**Ph.D. in Astrophysics.** Graduate with honors

*Thesis title:* Search for Earth-like planets in the habitable zone of M dwarfs

*Advisors:* Dr. Xavier Delfosse, Dr. Xavier Bonfils

DAS/Universidad de Chile

SANTIAGO DE CHILE  
2010 – 2012

**M.Sc. in Astronomy.** Graduate with highest honors

*Thesis title:* Transmission spectroscopy from the ground: the case of HD 209458b

*Advisor:* Dr. Patricio Rojo

FCFM/Universidad de Chile

SANTIAGO DE CHILE  
2006 – 2010

**B.Sc. in Astronomy.** Graduate with honors

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Department of Mathematics and Applied Physics/ UCSC

CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE

Astronomy Department/ Universidad de Concepción

**A deeper characterization of the radial velocity jitter**

Mar '18 – Present

Effect of stellar magnetic activity on precise radial velocity

- Study on the sensitivity of spectral lines to stellar activity as a function of spectral type
- Understanding the impact of stellar magnetic activity on high-resolution spectra
- Minimize the impact of stellar activity in precise radial velocities

**Exoplanet detection and characterization**

Radial velocity survey and follow-up to search for and characterize planets around M dwarfs

- Principal Investigator of an ESPRESSO@VLT program to confirm and measure the mass of transiting planets
- Co-Investigator of: A HARPS@3.6La-Silla program to search for radial velocity planets, and to confirm and weight transiting planets (since 2012)  
A Chilean program (CNTAC) to characterize transiting warm exo-Jupiters unveiled by TESS  
An ESPRESSO@VLT program to search for a trojan sibling for a rocky planet in the habitable zone
- Active member of the TESS (MIT/CfA/NASA) Follow-up Observing Program Working Group: Precise Radial Velocity aiming to derive orbits and masses for the transiting planets

FONDECYT (postdoc 3180063) sponsorship: Dr. Ronald Mennickent Cid

Observatoire Astronomique de l'Université de Genève

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND  
Apr '15 – Dec '17

**Exploring exoplanets with cutting-edge spectroscopy**

Impact of stellar magnetic activity on high-resolution spectra

- Detected new spectral lines showing flux sensitivity to stellar activity
- Studied the shape of spectral lines under the presence of magnetic activity
- Computed radial velocities with minimal variations due to a stellar magnetic cycle

**Characterization of exoplanet atmospheres**

Survey to detect and study the atmosphere of hot transiting planets using differential, high-resolution spectroscopy

With Dr. Christophe Lovis and the Geneva team

IPAG/Université Grenoble Alpes	GRENOBLE, FRANCE
<b>Characterize the stellar activity of M dwarfs</b>	<i>Jul '13 – Mar '15</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgraded to redder colors the relationships (<math>C_{ccf}</math>, <math>R_{phot}</math>) to convert the S-index into the <math>R'_{HK}</math>-index</li> <li>Obtained a relationship to derive the stellar rotation rate from the flux in the Ca II H&amp;K lines. Studied the activity of M dwarfs as a function of their masses</li> <li>Magnetic activity statistics computed for the (<math>\sim 400</math>) M dwarfs in the HARPS sample</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Xavier Delfosse	
IPAG/Université Grenoble Alpes	GRENOBLE, FRANCE
<b>Optimize the radial velocity extraction method</b>	<i>Mar '12 – Jul '13</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implemented a software to compute precise radial velocity by maximum-likelihood with a true stellar template. Disentangle stellar spectra from telluric spectra</li> <li>Improvement (<math>\sim 30\%</math>) of the radial velocity accuracy over the traditional cross-correlation function</li> <li>Discovered and/or measured the mass of 29 exoplanets (among the less massive ones) from radial velocities computed with the software. Ongoing radial velocity survey (until late 2018)</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Xavier Bonfils	
DAS/Universidad de Chile	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Transmission spectroscopy from the ground</b>	<i>Sep '10 – Jan '12</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Computed the transmission spectrum of HD 209458 b. Independent detection of the exoplanetary atmosphere through the Sodium doublet</li> <li>Detected new species (Sc and Ca) in the atmosphere of HD 209458b</li> <li>Novel approach to correct spectra from telluric lines</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Patricio Rojo	
DAS/Universidad de Chile	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Transmission spectroscopy detection limits</b>	<i>Dec '09 – Mar '10</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Studied the detection threshold of a simulated exo-atmospheric signature through the bootstrap method</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Patricio Rojo	
DAS/Universidad de Chile	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Search for deuterium in the ISM</b>	<i>Dec '09 – Mar '10</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Search for Deuterium I in the <math>Ly - \alpha</math> forest of QSO</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Sebastian López	
DAS/Universidad de Chile	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Radiative transfer in molecular clouds</b>	<i>Aug – Dec '09</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical and kinematic analysis of a molecular cloud by modeling CS lines with a Monte-Carlo radiative transfer code</li> </ul>	
With Dr. Diego Mardones	

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Mathematics and Applied Physics/ UCSC	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
<b>Lecturer</b> , Kinematics and Dynamics (IN1109C)	<i>Mar '19 – Present</i>
Astronomy Department/ Universidad de Concepción	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
<b>Advisor</b> , Paula Gorrini Master Sc. thesis	<i>Mar '18 – Present</i>
"On the origin of the radial velocity signatures in Gl 832: stellar activity or planet?"	
Astronomy Department/ Universidad de Concepción	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
<b>Guest Lecturer</b> , Advanced Astrophysics for graduate students	<i>May '18</i>
Observatoire Astronomique de l'Université de Genève	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND
<b>Advisor</b> , Rebecka Sax's Bachelor Sc. thesis	<i>Mar – Jul '17</i>
"Is there an impact of the evaporation of an exoplanetary atmosphere in the activity of the host star?"	
IPAG/Université Grenoble Alpes	GRENOBLE, FRANCE
<b>Advisor Assistant</b> , Florent Villebrun's Master Sc. thesis	<i>Mar – Jul '15</i>
"Characterization of a new algorithm to compute radial velocities"	
DAS/ Universidad de Chile	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Guest Lecturer</b> , Astronomy Summer School for undergraduate students (FM301-1)	<i>Jan '11</i>

## OUTREACH EXPERIENCE

Diario El Sur	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Interview "Astrónomo chileno destaca el valor científico de estudio de los exoplanetas"	Oct '19
Colegio Calasanz	SANTIAGO, CHILE
Oral presentation "Ser...astrónomo"	Sept '19
Eclipse solar total: Sede vecinal de Incahuasi	INCAHUASI, CHILE
Oral presentation "Eclipses...por todas partes!"	Jul '19
Colegio Concepción Pedro de Valdivia	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Oral presentation "Ser...un astrónomo"	Apr '19
Universidad de Concepción	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Oral presentation "Viernes Estelares de Astronomía"	Dec '18
Hospital Guillermo Grant Benavente	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Oral presentation "Descubriendo exoplanetas: aterrizando ideas y conceptos"	Dec '18
EXPLORA-CONICYT	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Oral presentation "XIX Congreso Nacional de Investigación Científica Escolar EXPLORA"	Nov '18
Liceo Manuel Zañartu	CABRERO, CHILE
Oral presentation "Mes de la Ciencia"	Nov '18
Diario El Sur	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Interview "Buscan impulsar el estudio de los exoplanetas desde la UdeC"	Oct '18
Science & Vie (Magazine)	PARIS, FRANCE
Interview "Vie extraterrestre: on sait où chercher"	Oct '18
Lycée Charles de Gaulle (primary school)	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
Oral presentation (child audience) "Exoplanets"	Jun '18
The Festival of Science	RENDIBU CAFE / CFM-UDEC
Oral presentation (general audience) "Otros Mundos: cómo buscarlos y algo más"	Jun '18
BBC Interview	BBC MUNDO, NOTICIAS
"¡Y pum, salió el planeta!": cómo un astrónomo chileno lideró el descubrimiento de Ross 128 b, el mundo "vecino" propicio para encontrar vida"	Nov '17
ESO press release	SOUTHERN EUROPEAN OBSERVATORY
Science Release (1736) "Closest Temperate World Orbiting Quiet Star Discovered"	Nov '17
Astrovlog channel	YOUTUBE
Interview "The discovery of the potentially habitable planet LHS 1140b" (6,877 views)	
Discussion "Searching for life in the Universe: Details on LHS 1140b" (4,499 views)	Apr '17
Orion Amateur Astronomy Club	FERNEY-VOLTAIRE, FRANCE
Oral presentation (general audience) "How to discover Exoplanets?"	Dec '16
Oral presentation (child audience) "Phases of the Moon and Venus, eclipses, and exoplanets"	Mar '17
Elementary School Parozet	GEX, FRANCE
Oral presentation (child audience) "The Solar System"	Jan '17
Institut de Planetologie et d'Astrophysique de Grenoble (IPAG)	GRENOBLE, FRANCE
Monitor for general public visits	Jan '12 – Dec '13
French Science-party	PONT DE CLAIX, FRANCE
Monitor for general public visits	Oct '13
Planetarium Astro-party (Oufs d'Astro)	VAULX-EN-VELLIN, FRANCE
Monitor for general public visits	Feb '13
National Astronomical Observatory (OAN)	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
Monitor for general public visits	Mar '10 – Dec '11
Explora CONICYT ("Noticias del Universo")	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
Monitor for general public visits	Oct '09 – Nov '09

## CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Seminars of the Department of Mathematics and Applied Physics at Universidad Católica de la Santísima Concepción	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
<b>Oral presentation</b>	May '19
"Detecting and Characterizing Extra-Solar Planets"	
Workshop on the Transiting Exoplanet Satellite Survey - Chile	SANTIAGO, CHILE
<b>Oral presentation</b>	Apr '19
"TESS M dwarfs follow-up"	
Seminars of the Astrophysics Institute at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile	SANTIAGO, CHILE
<b>Oral presentation</b>	Oct '18
"Weighing Planets Around M dwarfs"	
Second Binational Meeting AAA-SOCHIAS	LA SERENA, CHILE
<b>Poster presentation</b>	Oct '18
"An Earth-like planet in the golden LHS 1140 system"	
Workshop on Bayesian Statistics	BERN, SWITZERLAND
<b>Participant</b>	Nov '16
Seminars of the Astronomy Department at Universidad de Concepción	CONCEPCIÓN, CHILE
<b>Oral presentation</b>	Jul '17
"Weighing Rocky Exoplanets: Optimized Radial Velocity Extraction & Stellar Activity Limitations"	
Workshop on Bayesian Statistics	BERN, SWITZERLAND
<b>Participant</b>	Nov '16
Association of Chilean Researchers in Switzerland (ICES) annual meeting	GENEVA, SWITZERLAND
<b>Oral presentation</b>	May '16
"Collaborations-experiences in Astronomy between Chile and Switzerland"	
NCCR/Planet-S (Swiss National Science Foundation) general assembly	GRINDELWALD, SWITZERLAND
<b>Participant</b>	Jan '16
Search for Life Beyond the Solar System (EBI)	TUCSON, UNITED STATES
<b>Poster presentation</b>	Mar '14
"Ground-Based Detection of Exoatmospheric Calcium" (presented by Dr. Patricio Rojo)	
Heidelberg (MPIA) - Grenoble (IPAG) inter-institutes colloquium	GRENNOBLE, FRANCE
<b>Participant</b>	Oct '13
French Astronomy and Astrophysics Society (SF2A) annual meeting	MONTPELLIER, FRANCE
<b>Participant</b>	Jun '13
Ph.D. Seminars of IPAG at Université Grenoble Alpes	GRENNOBLE, FRANCE
<b>Oral presentation</b>	May '13
"Transmission spectroscopy from the ground"	
17 <sup>th</sup> Cambridge Workshop on Cool Stars, Stellar Systems and the Sun	BARCELONA, SPAIN
<b>Poster presentation</b> "Ground-Based Detection of Exoatmospheric Calcium"	Jun '12
Chilean Astronomy Society (SOCHIAS) annual meeting	SANTIAGO DE CHILE
<b>Participant</b>	Jun '11

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

GEMINI-CONICYT Fund (N°32190008), Chile	May '20 – May '22
FONDECYT Postdoctoral Fellow (N°3180063), Chile	Mar '18 – Mar '21
Becas Chile scholarship for Ph.D. studies, France	Mar '12 – Mar '15
CONICYT scholarship for M.Sc. studies, Chile	Mar '11 – Jan '12
Gemini-CONICYT scholarship for M.Sc. studies, Chile	Mar '10 – Jan '11
2/591 position in ranking of students at the end of the B.Sc. program	Mar '06 – Jan '10
Distinguished Student Scholar. FCFM, Universidad de Chile	Mar '07 – Jan '08

## SKILLS

**Technical:** My main programming language is PYTHON, including parallelization in CPU (multiprocessing package) and GPU (pycuda package), and MCMC (emcee package). Occasional use of C++, Java, MATLAB/Octave, Mathematica, MIDAS or IRAF. User of L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and LibreOffice. Comfortable use of Linux (Debian user), Windows, and MAC OS X.

I am passionate in building and racing quadcopters (first-person-view aeromodelling). This hobby implies welding of electronic components, configure a flight-controllers and transmitter–receptor radio-frequency systems, or design of carbon frames (quadcopter body).

**Natural languages:** English (*Professional working proficiency*), French (*Native or bilingual proficiency*), Spanish (*Native or bilingual proficiency*).

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## PUBLICATIONS

52 refereed papers with 1195 citations. H-index: 19

Ryan Cloutier, Jason D. Eastman, Joseph E. Rodriguez, **Astudillo-Defru, Nicola**, Xavier Bonfils, Annelies Mortier, Christopher A. Watson, Manu Stalport, Matteo Pinamonti, Florian Lienhard, Avet Harutyunyan, Mario Damasso, David W. Latham, Karen A. Collins, Robert Massey, Jonathan Irwin, Jennifer G. Winters, David Charbonneau, Carl Ziegler, Elisabeth Matthews, Ian J. M. Crossfield, Laura Kreidberg, Samuel N. Quinn, George Ricker, Roland Vanderspek, Sara Seager, Joshua Winn, Jon M. Jenkins, Michael Vezie, Stéphane Udry, Joseph D. Twicken, Peter Tenenbaum, Alessandro Sozzetti, Damien Ségransan, Joshua E. Schlieder, Dimitar Sasselov, Nuno C. Santos, Ken Rice, Benjamin V. Rackham, Ennio Poretti, Giampaolo Piotto, David Phillips, Francesco Pepe, Emilio Molinari, Lucile Mignon, Giuseppina Micela, Claudio Melo, José R. de Medeiros, Michel Mayor, Rachel A. Matson, Aldo F. Martinez Fiorenzano, Andrew W. Mann, Antonio Magazzú, Christophe Lovis, Mercedes López-Morales, Eric Lopez, Jack J. Lissauer, Sébastien Lépine, Nicholas Law, John F. Kielkopf, John A. Johnson, Eric L. N. Jensen, Steve B. Howell, Erica Gonzales, Adriano Ghedina, Thierry Forveille, Pedro Figueira, Xavier Dumusque, Courtney D. Dressing, René Doyon, Rodrigo F. Díaz, Luca Di Fabrizio, Xavier Delfosse, Rosario Cosentino, Dennis M. Conti, Kevin I. Collins, Andrew Collier Cameron, David Ciardi, Douglas A. Caldwell, Christopher Burke, Lars Buchhave, César Briceño, Patricia Boyd, François Bouchy, Charles Beichman, Étienne Artigau, and Jose M. Almenara. A Pair of TESS Planets Spanning the Radius Valley around the Nearby Mid-M Dwarf LTT 3780. *AJ*, 160(1):3, July 2020. doi: [10.3847/1538-3881/ab91c2](https://doi.org/10.3847/1538-3881/ab91c2).

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Tianjun Gan, Avi Shporer, John H. Livingston, Karen A. Collins, Shude Mao, Alessandro A. Trani, Davide Gandolfi, Teruyuki Hirano, Rafael Luque, Keivan G. Stassun, Carl Ziegler, Steve B. Howell, Coel Hellier, Jonathan M. Irwin, Jennifer G. Winters, David R. Anderson, César Briceño, Nicholas Law, Andrew W. Mann, Xavier Bonfils, **Astudillo-Defru, Nicola**, Eric L. N. Jensen, Guillem Anglada-Escudé, George R. Ricker, Roland Vanderspek, David W. Latham, Sara Seager, Joshua N. Winn, Jon M. Jenkins, Gabor Furesz, Natalia M. Guerrero, Elisa Quintana, Joseph D. Twicken, Douglas A. Caldwell, Peter Tenenbaum, Chelsea X. Huang, Pamela Rowden, and Bárbara Rojas-Ayala. LHS 1815b: The First Thick-disk Planet Detected by TESS. *AJ*, 159(4):160, April 2020. doi: [10.3847/1538-3881/ab775a](https://doi.org/10.3847/1538-3881/ab775a).

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