

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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*Birth date and nationality* | August 22th 1978. Spanish.

## EDUCATION

*Currently* | **PHD CANDIDATE**, at UNIVERSIDAD DE EXTREMADURA

*September 2011- June 2014* | **BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN AEROSPACE ENGINEERING IN AIRCRAFTS (100% English)**, at EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

*September 2008 – April 2010* | **EXECUTIVE MBA**, at EOI (ESCUELA DE ORGANIZACION INDUSTRIAL). MADRID. SPAIN

*October 2008 – September 2003* | **AGRONOMIST ENGINEER**, at UNIVERSITY OF EXTREMADURA

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

*Currently* | I am working as Scientific and Research Staff at Universidad de Extremadura, where I participate in 3 lines:

- Bioengineering: Biofluid Mechanics. Analyzing blood flow through stenosed arteries, airflow through human airways and the aqueous humor dynamics inside the human eye.
- Experimental Aerodynamics in wind tunnel: civil engineering and trucks
- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD): projects for different industrial sectors (trucks and chemical industry)

*Space* | I worked at Instituto de Microgravedad Ignacio Da Riva (Universidad Politécnica de Madrid) as Space Systems Engineer, focusing my activity in **structures, thermal control, power and orbit determination**.

Main involved projects:

- UPMSat-2: thermal analysis and tests (STM model).
- Euclid (ESA mission to deep space observation): thermal analysis (PDR)
- Instrument SO/PHI (Solar Orbiter Mission): thermal analysis
- Union: Mission Analysis phase (orbit determination and power budget)

Tools: ESATAN, STK, GMAT, Matlab/Simulink, Nastran/Patran, Catia

*Bachelor's Thesis* | Orbital Elements Determination for an Artificial Satellite from Initial Observations: a MATLAB Solution to Lambert's Problem.

*Fluids Mechanic* | Different simulations of fluid flows, based on **CFD** method, working with softwares: **Fluent**, and **Gambit** to build the geometry and mesh:

- o Fluid Flow and Heat Transfer in pipes
- o Computing the turbulent flow past a transonic airfoil
- o Solving an acoustics field generated from a sedan car using the broadband noise model

I have also collaborated in a **research group** at the University of Extremadura as **technical support** in a development project of a new device for cardiopulmonary bypass surgery, in which my role is to apply **CFD** to simulate certain critical blood flow and compare results with laboratory experiments. This group is constituted by the Department of Fluid Mechanics (School of Industrial Engineering), and Cardiac Surgery (Faculty of Medicine).

*Aerodynamics and Aeroelasticity* | A detailed study of the **aerodynamic behaviour**, versus different freestream parameters: speed, temperature, pressure and density, of an Onera M6 wing.  
Software based on **CFD** method used: **SU2 (Stanford University Unstructured)**





<i>Aerospace Technology</i>	Aerodynamics design of a glider, using <b>XFLR5</b> ( an analysis tool for airfoils, wings and planes operating at low Reynolds Numbers, created by Dr Mark Drela, from MIT)
<i>Space Vehicles and Missiles, and Satellite Design</i>	Preliminary Design Review ( <b>PDR</b> ) and Critical Design Review ( <b>CDR</b> ) of a <b>1U Cubesat</b> project. In charge of <b>Thermal Control subsystem</b> , and <b>Payload</b> . <b>Mission:</b> Earth observation with a NanoCam
<i>Aircrafts Design</i>	<b>Final design of an agricultural aircraft</b> fulfilling the requirements of FAR 23. Span: 19 metres. Length: 8.80 metres
<i>Space Astrophysics</i>	Research and public exhibition of <b>Planck satellite mission:</b> payload and results
<i>Space Weather</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Determination of the <b>differential speed of rotation of the sun</b>, through the tracking of sunspots</li> <li>○ Study of <b>geomagnetic activity</b> and its relation with the solar cycle</li> <li>○ Research of Interplanetary Origin of <b>Geomagnetic Storms</b></li> </ul>

## WORK EXPERIENCE




<i>March 2016 - Currently</i>	<b>Scientific and Research Staff.</b> Area of Fluid Mechanics. Universidad de Extremadura. Spain
<i>November 2014 – June 2015</i>	<b>Space Systems Engineer.</b> Instituto de Microgravedad Ignacio Da Riva (Universidad Politécnica de Madrid). Spain
<i>April 2008 – September 2011</i>	Bank <b>Branch Manager.</b> Santander Group. Badajoz. Spain
<i>July 2006 – April 2008</i>	<b>Director of real-estate department.</b> Santander Group. Extremadura. Spain
<i>May 2005 – July 2006</i>	<b>Area Delegate.</b> Eurovaloraciones SA (consulting). Alicante. Spain
<i>November 2003 – May 2005</i>	<b>Technical Commercial Manager.</b> Gesvalt S.A (consulting). Madrid. Spain
<i>October 1999 – November 2003</i>	<b>Professor of Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry.</b> Centro de Estudios Santo Domingo. Badajoz. Spain

## SKILLS





### **Computational skills:**

-  Experienced in Mac OS X system
-  Experience with languages: C and Matlab
-  Experienced in the use of CFD codes (Fluent) for the simulation of complex flows
-  Specific Softwares: Esatan, Gambit, Matlab, XFLR5, SU2, Nastran/Patran, Catia





### **Languages:**

-  Spanish: native language
-  English: high written and spoken level
-  Italian: high written and spoken level. Erasmus in Italy

### **Others:**

-  Ability to listen, Communication, Persuasion, Negotiation, Customer Service and Flexibility
-  Spirit of teamwork
-  Effective and professional facing new challenges
-  Capacity, sacrifice and willingness to learn

## OTHER DATA OF INTERESTS

-  Driving license: B
-  Erasmus grant in Italy (2002/2003).
-  Total availability and interest in travelling
-  Interested in Magic and Illusionism; Aeromodelling