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I solve problems with code, concepts, and curiosity.

## Education

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Grading scale from 1.0 to 7.0

### PhD in Computer Science - Specialized in Artificial Intelligence

IIIA-CSIC & UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE BARCELONA

- **Expected completion:** September 2025.
- **Thesis advisor:** Christian Blum.
- Awarded a 4-year scholarship (*Ayudas para contratos predoctorales para la formación de doctores*, 09/2021-09/2025).
- Research in the area of hybrid algorithms combining classical optimization techniques with modern Machine Learning methods (particularly Deep Learning and Large Language Models) to solve combinatorial problems.

Barcelona, Spain

2021 - Current

### M.S. Computer Science

PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD CATÓLICA DE VALPARAÍSO

- **Graduated with highest distinction. First in my class.**

• **Thesis:** "Solving the non-unicost set covering problem by using three new binary algorithms".

• Relevant courses: Big Data Mining (6.7), Metaheuristics (7.0), and Combinatorial Optimization (7.0).

• Defense grade: 7.0 - Final grade average: 6.9

Valparaíso, Chile

2017 - 2018

### Bachelor Computer Science

UNIVERSIDAD DE LOS LAGOS

- **Graduated with highest distinction.**

• Thesis exam grade: 7.0 - Final grade average: 6.0

Santiago, Chile

2011 - 2015

## Experience

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### Telefónica R&D Spain

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

- Contributed to the development of advanced cybersecurity tools for static malware analysis, enabling early detection of malicious executables at scale. Participated in the design of internal components for automated binary analysis.

Barcelona, Spain

2018 - 2021

### Telefónica R&D Chile

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

- Designed and deployed big data pipelines to extract actionable insights from urban mobility datasets. Developed an edge-computing prototype on Raspberry Pi integrating video capture, people detection (via computer vision), and Wi-Fi hotspot activation, anticipating smart city use cases.

Santiago, Chile

2017 - 2018

### MiningTag S.A.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

- Led the design and development of the company's core software architecture, improving system robustness and scalability across mining operations.
- Engineered a fault-tolerant queuing system tailored for underground mining environments with unstable connectivity, ensuring continuous data flow and system integrity.
- Reduced communication latency by 30% and increased the reliability of the production control system (ore loads tracking) to over 90%, directly enhancing operational efficiency and decision-making accuracy.

Santiago, Chile

2013 - 2017

## Awards

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2022 **Federated Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems (FedCSIS)**, Best Paper

Award (Workshop on Computational Optimization).

Scientific Conference

2014 **MiningTag S.A.**, The company chose me as the best worker of the year 2014, for my contributions to the development of the company's first software.

Company

2018-2021 **Quora (in Spanish)**, I was selected as Best Writer on QuoraES for five consecutive years (2018-2022), for my over 800 answers on computer science.

Social network

# Independent Data Science Consultant

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- 2024-**Vigalab S.A.**, Advise on the integration of AI optimization algorithms for production control in mining operations. Chile
- 2024-**Alza Group**, Conduct technical due diligence for mining-focused investment fund. Evaluate software architectures and algorithmic soundness of candidate startups. Chile

## Books (in Spanish)

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| 2025 | <b>Scientists Divulgation Book</b> , <u>Palabras y Algoritmos - Cómo la IA trasnformará la escritura.</u> | Marcombo publisher |
| 2023 | <b>Technical Book</b> , <u>Principios de programación.</u>  | Marcombo publisher |
| 2021 | <b>Scientists Divulgation Book</b> , <u>Mentes geniales. La vida y obra de 12 grandes informáticos.</u>   | Marcombo publisher |
| 2020 | <b>Technical Book</b> , <u>Computación y programación funcional.</u>                                      | Marcombo publisher |

## Publications

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- 2024 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian & Bistaffa, Filippo & Rodríguez Corominas, Guillem**, Metaheuristics and Large Language Models Join Forces: Towards an Integrated Optimization Approach. Submitted to an international journal. arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.18272>
- 2024 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian & Ochoa, Gabriela**, An Extension of STNWeb Functionality: On the Use of Hierarchical Agglomerative Clustering as an Advanced Search Space Partitioning Strategy. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference (GECCO), Melbourne, Australia. **Ranking A** (CORE).
- 2024 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian & Ochoa, Gabriela**, Large Language Models for the Automated Analysis of Optimization Algorithms. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference (GECCO), Melbourne, Australia. **Ranking A** (CORE).
- 2023 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian & Ochoa, Gabriela**, STNWeb: A new visualization tool for analyzing optimization algorithms. Software Impacts (Journal).
- 2023 **Ramírez Sánchez, Jairo Enrique & Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian**, Q-Learning Ant Colony Optimization supported by Deep Learning for Target Set Selection. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference (GECCO), Lisboa, Portugal. **Ranking A** (CORE).
- 2023 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian**, Search Trajectory Networks Meet the Web: A Web Application for the Visual Comparison of Optimization Algorithms. International Conference on Software and Computer Applications (ICSCA), Kuantan, Malasia.
- 2022 **Chacón Sartori, Camilo & Blum, Christian**, Boosting a Genetic Algorithm with Graph Neural Networks for Multi-Hop Influence Maximization in Social Networks. **Best Paper Award** (Workshop on Computational Optimization). Federated Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems (FedCSIS), Sofia, Bulgaria. Ranking B (CORE).

## Teaching

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| 2024      | <b>Bootcamp</b> , <u>Bootcamp de Large Language Models and Artificial Intelligence.</u> | Código Facilito (México)          |
| 2023-2024 | <b>Bootcamp</b> , <u>Bootcamp de Ciencias de la Computación.</u>                        | Código Facilito (México)          |
| 2023      | <b>Master's degree course</b> , <u>Blockchain y Contratos Inteligentes.</u>             | Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez (Chile) |

## Skills

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| <b>Programming</b>      | Python, Julia, C++ (OpenMP), C (MPI), Php, Ruby, Javascript/Node.js, Java, C#, Haskell, Perl, Bash, AWK, R, Matlab, Scala |
| <b>Machine learning</b> | Scikit-learn, Keras, Pytorch, Tensorflow, LLMs tools  |
| <b>Bigdata</b>          | Apache Spark, Hadoop, Oozie, Kafka, Drill, Hive, PigLatin   |
| <b>Database</b>         | MS SQL Server, Mysql, HBase, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis   |
| <b>Operating System</b> | Unix, MS Windows  |
| <b>Cloud Computing</b>  | AWS, Azure  |

## Non-academic Talks

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| 2023 | <b>PyDay Barcelona</b> , Introducción a Mojo   | Barcelona, Spain |
| 2023 | <b>Python Valencia</b> , ¿La optimización prematura es la raíz de todos los males en programación?     | Valencia, Spain  |
| 2022 | <b>PyConES</b> , Introducción a las redes complejas en Python (taller).                                | Granada, Spain   |
| 2022 | <b>PyBCN</b> , Aprendizaje a través de grafos: Graph Neural Networks.                                  | Barcelona, Spain |
| 2021 | <b>Proin</b> , Fundamentos de la computación: desde una visión matemática, científica y filosófica.    | Online           |
| 2018 | <b>Starsconf</b> , Introducción a Julia.   | Santiago, Chile  |
| 2018 | <b>Proin</b> , Introducción a la computación paralela con Julia.                                       | Santiago, Chile  |
| 2016 | <b>Proin</b> , Introducción a Machine Learning.  | Santiago, Chile  |
| 2016 | <b>NodersJS</b> , Introducción a ZeroMQ y Node.js: Para construir sistemas distribuidos de mensajería. | Santiago, Chile  |

## Other

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