# **Javier Viaña**

**Expertise:** Explainable Artificial Intelligence

# **University Education**



#### Postdoctoral Al Researcher

Aug 2022 – Present

Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Department of Physics Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research

- Advisor: Dr. Andrew Vanderburg. Project: Improvement of Astronet-Al pipeline for detection of transiting exoplanets with TESS and Kepler.
- Development of explainable deep learning techniques for anomaly detection and knowledge extraction in the processing of the target light curves.



#### **Doctoral AI Researcher**

Sep 2021 – Aug 2022

Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Department of Physics Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research

- Advisor: Dr. Andrew Vanderburg. Project: Al-based spectral characterization of polluted white dwarfs using the Large sky Area Multi-Object fiber Spectroscopic Telescope (LAMOST) data.
- Designed the transfer learning architecture from an overlapping autoencoder for signal reconstruction to a deep neural network for spectral flux prediction based on the atmospheric physical properties of the white dwarfs.



### Ph.D. in Explainable Artificial Intelligence

**University of Cincinnati – Department of Aerospace Engineering College of Engineering and Applied Sciences** 

Sep 2019 – Aug 2022 3.92 GPA

- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Kelly Cohen, Head of the Aerospace Department, Brian H. Rowe Endowed Chair.
- Thesis: "CEFYDRA: Cluster-first Explainable FuzzY-based Deep self-Reorganizing Algorithm"
- Published different novel algorithms in various international conferences: LACCI, DCASS, NAFIPS (10+ papers), DSCC, ISCMI, etc.

# **University Education**



**Hands-On AI Program** 

May 2020 – Aug 2021 4.0 GPA

Aug 2018 - Aug 2019

3.9 GPA

**Stanford University** 

**Institute for Computational & Mathematical Engineering, Continuing Studies** 

• Developed an an algorithm for prediction of Tesla's daily stocks based on published Twitter data using natural language processing together with an ad-hoc convolutional neural network.



M.Eng. in Fuzzy Artificial Intelligence

**University of Cincinnati - Department of Aerospace Engineering** 

• Advisor: Prof. Dr. Kelly Cohen. Developed a fuzzy-based recurrent algorithm that served as a fault tolerance tool for human-machine interactions. Application to the Boeing 737 Max 8 conflict resolution in a high-fidelity scenario.



M.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering, Focus on Algorithms

University of the Basque Country - Department of Mechanisms & Machine Theory

- Advisor: Dr. Charles Pinto.
- Theoretical development of planar kinematics formulas for generative design of mechanisms.

Sep 2017 – Jun 2018 10/10 With Honors

# **University Education**



**B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering, Focus on Algorithms** 

Sep 2013 – Jun 2017 9.92/10 Highest Honors

University of the Basque Country - Department of Mechanisms & Machine Theory

• Advisor: Dr. Victor Petuya. Created a novel formula for kinematic analysis of mechanisms, awarded with the best national investigation article of mechanical engineering of 2016 of Spain.



**Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Design Thinking Summer Program** 

Jun 2017 – Jul 2017

4.0 GPA

**University of Cincinnati - Carl H. Lindner College of Business** 

• Advisor: Dr. Charles Matthews. Intensive start-up bootcamp, from product conceptualization to rapid prototyping.



**Internship on Image Processing Algorithms** 

University of Florida - Astronomy Department
Bryant Space Science Center

May 2016 – Sep 2016

- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Rafael Guzman, Head of the Astronomy Department.
- Deconvolution image enhancement algorithms for micro-scale space-cameras in Earth monitoring missions, in collaboration with Satlantis Microsatellites.

# **Teaching Experience**



# **Instructor of Probability Theory applied to Aerospace Engineering University of Cincinnati - College of Engineering and Applied Science**

Aug 2019 – Jul 2020 Cincinnati, Ohio

- The curriculum included an introduction to statistics, probability, optimization and artificial intelligence with real-world engineering problems. Student evaluations' score: 4.9/5 (2019 best instructor in the Aero Dept.).
- Sophomore level core course AEEM 2014, class of 50 students. Appointed Teaching Assistant: Sameer Pokhrel, Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering.



# Lecturer of Resonance in Spacecraft Design Cambridge University - Jesus College

Jun 2018 – Jul 2018 Cambridge, UK

- Undergraduate level Aerospace summer course, with co-lecturer Dr. Alvaro Menduina Fernandez.
- Topics included: Vibration theory, periodic and damped oscillations, normal modes, and structural design.



# Mentor and Lecturer of the UC Fuzzy Al Lab University of Cincinnati – Department of Aerospace Engineering

Jul 2020 – Jul 2022 Cincinnati, Ohio

• Laboratory with 20 undergraduate students focused on the development of custom AI architectures to solve different engineering problems.

### **Reviews** as Instructor at the UC

- "Wonderful Professor, very approachable and helpful, wanted students to do well, and went above and beyond to offer help to students who needed the extra help. Thank you for a wonderful semester, Javier!!"
- "Very motivated, enthusiastic, and humorous professor. You can tell he is truly passionate about his field and academic work. Honestly my favorite professor this semester-I admire the work he has done despite him being so young. His accomplishments push me to do the same. His office hours are very flexible, and he is always willing to help out students. I'd love to have him teach future classes."
- "The professor was extremely helpful and supportive. Not only did I learn the material, but his enthusiasm and expression of support for the students greatly helped in reducing stress and ultimately made class a more enjoyable experience."
- "Thank you, Javier, you are amazing, personable, kind, and one of my favorite teachers of all time."
- "Taking a course taught by Javier Viana was absolute pleasure, he turned a subject that I had no particular interest an absolute delight to learn. He treated his students with a great deal of respect and was always open to meet and discuss whatever was on our mind. I hope I get to take another course taught by him."
- "Professor Viana was very approachable and was keen to make sure the course material was understandable, he also explained the real-world applications of the material."
- "Professor was very helpful whenever I needed it and gave very helpful responses in a timely manner. Javier was very approachable for questions, and you know he wanted
  the best for us while taking the class."
- "Professor Viana is so understanding, approachable, and helpful and focused on us understanding the material and doing our assignments well by giving us lots of extra time. He was always enthusiastic and kept the class interesting by having "Queen questions" and giving people who answered the questions small prizes. He also went out of his way to offer help on materials not related to the class such as preparing for the career fair and was just overall amazing and adored by the class. I hope he teaches more classes in the future!"
- "Professor Viana is a fantastic professor all around. After an initial adjustment period to get used to his accent, his presentation of the material was extremely easy to understand, and he is the most approachable professor I've had yet. His assignments and tests, while challenging due to the material they used, were always fair and he was always willing to curve or give extensions if the class as a whole was struggling."
- "My favorite professor I have had up to this point, very engaging and makes it fun to come to class consistently."
- "Loved loved loved Javier. A very great first year professor."

# **Experience**



### Harvard University, Center for Astrophysics (CfA), Advisor in Al

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Feb 2023 - Present

- Research group: Center for Astrophysical Machine Learning (CAMEL)
- Principal Investigator: Cecilia Garrafo



#### **CVG International Airport, Explainable AI Architect**

Northern Kentucky, USA

May 2021 - Present

- Designed and coded tailored XAI algorithms for passenger flow prediction at the security checkpoint using fuzzy-based inference systems.
- The software created allows the airport authority know in advance the exact time at which the passengers will arrive at the airport, as well as their passenger profile (i.e., destination, if they are regular flyers, the purpose of the trip, number of companions, etc.).
- This ultimately equipped the airport managers with information to perform a data-driven deployment of necessary airport resources, including staff allocation.



### MyDataMood, Advisor of Explainable Al

Madrid, Spain Aug 2021 – Sep 2022

• In charge of the GDPR compliant (European General Data Protection Regulation) Explainable AI cascading fuzzy-based architecture for the inference of additional user features. Software development supervisor.



### **Aether, Chief Explainable Al**

Barcelona, Spain Jul 2021 - Sep 2022

- Creation of the algorithm for tailored time-dependent prediction of oxygen supply in hospitalized patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease and respiratory insufficiency
- Currently partnering with 5 major Spanish hospitals, Quirón (leader in the private healthcare sector of Spain) and the University Hospital of Vall d'Hebron in Barcelona, among others.

# **Experience**



#### **Genexia, Machine Learning Engineer**

Cincinnati, Ohio, USA May 2020 - Aug 2020

- Development of novel explainable AI algorithms for the prediction of Remaining Useful Life of Jet Engines (in different operational modes & configurations).
- Authored a successful medical image segmentation algorithm for breast arterial calcification detection in X-Ray mammograms.
- Most Promising Startup by Cincinnati Business Courier within framework of the 2020 Innovation and Technology Awards.



### Aurora Flight Sciences (A Boieng Company), Software Development Intern

Lucerne, Switzerland

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Leaded the AI architecture of the PAV Project (Passenger Air Vehicle) whose client was Uber.
- Created an entire toolbox for fatigue data analysis (Post-Processing), which was then integrated in all the ongoing projects of the company.
- Reduced the work hours of the engineers approximately by 100 by automating the computation of the rainflow algorithms for flight data interpretation.
- Coded the aircraft's critical component's life expectancy determination algorithms.



#### Satlantis Microsatellites, Space Technology Engineer

Nov 2015 – Jul 2018 Bilbao, Spain

- R & D Department. Development of the Optomechanical Structure iSIM, lightweight athermal microsatellite camera design for Low Earth Orbit (LEO) which is now operational in the International Space Station. The designs were essential for the startup to close successfully a round of 50M\$.
- Training stay in IDOM, Advanced Design Analysis Department. Assembly, Integration & Verification (AIV). Structural Design of microsatellites; Payloads & platforms.
- Collaborative stay in the Department of Astronomy at the University of Florida. Optical characterization of the binocular structure & TRL 6.
- Company Awarded with the Start-up Space Challenge Prize 2017, London Space Week, Royal Astronomical Society of London.



### **European Space Agency, Systems Engineering Training**

May 2018-May 2018 Redu, Belgium

- Application of the Concurrent Engineering in the design of a lunar mission at the ESEC (European space Security & Education Centre).
- In charge of the lunar rover design and the integration of the science Instruments for the mission.
- Lead engineer at the Optics & Instruments Subsystem: Selected together with 20 more engineers from all over Europe to carry out the concurrent analysis and the viability of the mission.

### **Book Chapters** 1/2

- Viaña, J., Ralescu, S., Kreinovich, V., Ralescu, A., Cohen, K. (2023). Single Hidden Layer CEFYDRA: Cluster-first Explainable FuzzY-based Deep self-Reorganizing Algorithm. In: Dick, S., Kreinovich, V., Lingras, P. (eds) Applications of Fuzzy Techniques. NAFIPS 2022. Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems, vol 500. Springer, Cham. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7\_29">https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7\_29</a>
- Viaña, J., Ralescu, S., Kreinovich, V., Ralescu, A., Cohen, K. (2023). Multiple Hidden Layered CEFYDRA: Cluster-First Explainable Fuzzy-Based Deep Self-reorganizing Algorithm. In: Dick, S., Kreinovich, V., Lingras, P. (eds) Applications of Fuzzy Techniques. NAFIPS 2022. Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems, vol 500. Springer, Cham. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7\_30">https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7\_30</a>
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- Courcier, B., Richard Desjardins, S., Farges, C., Cazaurang, F., Cohen, K., Pickering, L., Viaña, J.: **Genetic Fuzzy System for Pitch Control on a F-4 Phantom.** In: Dick, S., Kreinovich, V., Lingras, P. (eds) Applications of Fuzzy Techniques. NAFIPS 2022. Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems, vol 500. Springer, Cham. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7">https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16038-7</a> 4
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### **Book Chapters** 2/2

- Viaña, J., Ralescu, S., Cohen, K., Ralescu, A., Kreinovich, V. (2023). Extension to Multidimensional Problems of a Fuzzy-based Explainable & Noise-Resilient Algorithm. In: Ceberio, M., Kreinovich, V. (eds) Decision Making Under Uncertainty and Constraints. Studies in Systems, Decision and Control, vol 217. Springer, Cham. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16415-6">https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16415-6</a> 40
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### **Journal Papers**

- Viaña, J. et al.: Explainable Algorithm to Predict Passenger Flow at CVG Airport. Transportation Research Record (Accepted, to appear).
- Viaña J, Ralescu S, Cohen K, Ralescu A, Kreinovich V. Explainable Fuzzy Cluster-based Regression Algorithm with Gradient Descent Learning. Complex Engineering Systems 2022; 2:8. <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.20517/ces.2022.14">http://dx.doi.org/10.20517/ces.2022.14</a>
- Viaña J, Ralescu S, Cohen K, Ralescu A, Kreinovich V. Why Cauchy Membership Functions: Reliability. Advances in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning 2022; 2:2, 385-393. <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.54364/AAIML.2021.1106">http://dx.doi.org/10.54364/AAIML.2021.1106</a>
- Viaña J, Ralescu S, Cohen K, Ralescu A, Kreinovich V. Why Cauchy Membership Functions: Efficiency. Advances in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning 2021; 1:1, 81-88. <a href="https://dx.doi.org/10.54364/AAIML.2022.1125">https://dx.doi.org/10.54364/AAIML.2022.1125</a>
- Viaña J, Petuya V. **A Proposal for a Formula of Absolute Pole Velocities between Relative Poles**. Mechanism and Machine Theory Journal, 2017; 114, 74-84. <a href="https://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.mechmachtheory.2017.03.016">https://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.mechmachtheory.2017.03.016</a>

### **International Conference Papers** 1/2

- Viaña, J., Vanderburg, A., Fang, M.: A Neural Network Based Search for Earth Analogs in Kepler Data, Proceedings of the 2023 Emerging Researchers in Exoplanet Science Symposium (ERES VIII). Yale University, New Haven, USA (2023).
- Viaña, J., Vanderburg, A.: Forcing the Network to use Human Explanations in its Inference Process, Proceedings of the 2023 Annual Conference of the North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS 2023), University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, USA (2023).
- Viaña, J. et al.: Review of a Fuzzy Logic based Airport Passenger Flow Prediction System, Proceedings of the 2023 Annual Conference of the North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS 2023), University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, USA (2023).
- Viaña, J. et al.: ACRP Graduate Research Award: Explainable Algorithm for Passenger Flow Prediction at the Security Checkpoint of CVG Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky International Airport, Transportation Research Board 102nd Annual Meeting (TRB 2023), Committee on Airport Terminals and Ground Access (AV050), Washington D.C. (2023).
- Viaña, J., Ralescu, S., Kreinovich, V., Ralescu, A., Cohen, K.: Single Hidden Layer CEFYDRA: Cluster-first Explainable Fuzzy-based Deep self-Reorganizing Algorithm, Proceedings of the 2022 Annual Conference of the North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS 2022), Saint Mary's University, Halifax, NS, Canada (2022).
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- Viaña, J., Ralescu, S., Cohen, K., Ralescu, A., Kreinovich, V., Extension to Multidimensional Problems of a Fuzzy-based Explainable & Noise-Resilient Algorithm. Constraint Programming and Decision Making (CoProD 2021), Online (2021).

### **International Conference Papers** 2/2

- Viana, J., Cohen, K., Evaluation Criteria for Noise Resilience in Regression Algorithms. Proceedings of the 2021 Annual Conference of the North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS 2021), West Lafayette, IN, USA (2021).
- Viana, J., Cohen, K., Fuzzy-based Noise-Resilient Explainable Algorithm for Regression. Proceedings of the 2021 Annual Conference of the North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS 2021), West Lafayette, IN, USA (2021).
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- Viana, J., Scott, D., Kumar, M., Cohen, K., **Dynamic Genetic Algorithm for Optimizing Movement of a Six-Limb Creature**. Proceedings of the ASME 2020 Dynamic Systems and Control Conference, ASME (DSCC 2020), Pittsburg, PA, USA (2020).
- Chhabra, A., Patel, D., Viana Perez, J., Pickering, L., Li, X., Cohen, K., **Understanding the Effects of Human Factors on the Spread of COVID-19 using a Neural Network**. 7th International Conference on Soft Computing and Machine Intelligence (ISCMI 2020), Stockholm, Sweden (2020).
- Pickering, L., Viana Perez, J., Li, X., Chhabra, A., Patel, D., Cohen, K., Identifying New Inputs in COVID 19 AI Case Predictions. 7th International Conference on Soft Computing and Machine Intelligence (ISCMI 2020), Stockholm, Sweden (2020).
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- Viaña, J., Cohen, K., Fault Tolerance Tool for Human and Machine Interaction & Application to Civilian Aircraft. 6th IEEE Latin American Conference on Computational Intelligence (LA-CCI), Guayaquil, Ecuador (2019). DOI: 10.1109/LA-CCI47412.2019.9037045

## **Additional Achievements**

### **Books**

- Viana, J. (2022). **CEFYDRA: Cluster-first Explainable FuzzY-based Deep Reorganizing Algorithm** [Doctoral dissertation, University of Cincinnati]. OhioLINK Electronic Theses and Dissertations Center. http://rave.ohiolink.edu/etdc/view?acc\_num=ucin1659530496763669
- Viaña, J. (2019). Theoria Temporis. ISBN: 978-84-09-13631-5, pp. 86. Theoretical Relativistic Physics.
- Viaña, J. (2017). **Teoría de Centromas**. Ed. Gomylex. ISBN: 978-84-175176-99-2, pp. 170. Application and registration number: Bi- 512-17. Theoretical Planar Kinematics.
- Viaña, J. (2015). Faro de Puertos. Ed. Gomylex. ISBN: 978-84-15176-49-7, pp. 100. Literary work of poetry.

#### **Patents**

- Human Tissue Tubular Structure Image Reconstruction Algorithm, United States Patent and Trademark Office. Ongoing US Provisional Patent.
- System and Methods for Image Classification and Generating Personalized Medical Treatment, United States Patent and Trademark Office.
   Ongoing US Provisional Patent.
- Systems and Methods for Predicting Airport Passenger Flow, United States Patent and Trademark Office. International Publication Number: WO 2023/012939 A1. International Publication Date: 16.02.2023.
- Ellipses Drawing Device, Registered in the Marcs and Patents Spanish Office. International Classification: B43L11/055 (2006.01). Number of Publication: ES1103530 U (18.03.2014), BOPI. Patent date Issued Mar 2014 Patent issuer and number: ES1103530 U (18.03.2014).

### **Special Issues Edited**

• Explainable AI Engineering Applications, Complex Engineering Systems. Viaña J., Arnett T., Cohen K., Bede B. (Eds.), ISSN 2770-6249.

# **Honors & Awards**

May 2023	Best Ph.D. Thesis Award  North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society, NAFIPS 2023
Aug 2022	John Leland Atwood Award  American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)
Apr 2022	Best Paper Award, and Best Student Paper Award  North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society, NAFIPS 2022
Aug 2021	Airport Cooperative Research Program Graduate Research Award  Sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration  Administered by the Transportation Research Board and The National Academy of Sciences  Managed by the Virginia Space Grant Consortium
Feb 2021	Graduate Engineer of the Month & Professional Trajectory Interview  College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, University of Cincinnati
Aug 2020	La Caixa Fellowship for Postgraduate Studies in North America  "La Caixa" Banking Foundation (ID 100010434). Grant code: LCF / BQ / AA19 / 11720045

# **Honors & Awards**

Aug 2020	Written Letter of Academic Recognition from HH. MM. King Felipe VI. The Royal House of Spain
Aug 2020	Outstanding Research Paper Award  North American Fuzzy Information Processing Society, NAFIPS 2020
May 2020	Professor R. T. Davis Memorial Award for Academic Performance in Computational Science Department of Aerospace Engineering, University of Cincinnati
Jul 2019	Best Nova Talent of the Month  NOVA Talent, Spain
Oct 2018	Ohio State Excellence Scholarship & Recognition Grant Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
Sep 2018	International Studies Transfer Program Scholarship  Basque Government
Aug 2018	Excellence Training Scholarship  Provincial Council of Biscay

# **Honors & Awards**

Feb 2018	University Graduate Scholarship, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences University of Cincinnati, Ohio, USA
Oct 2017	2nd Award of the National Olympiad on Mechanisms and Machine Science, OTM-AEIM Mechanical Engineering Spanish Association
Oct 2016	Best National Investigation Article of 2016, Spain  Spanish National Congress of Mechanical Engineering, CNIM-AEIM
Oct 2016	Best Presentation of the Year, 2016, Spain  Spanish National Congress of Mechanical Engineering, CNIM-AEIM
Sep 2016	Academic Excellence Scholarship, IKASIKER  Basque Government
Sep 2016	Biscay Talent, Excellence of Young Postgraduate  Provincial Council of Biscay

# **International Projects**



#### **Boeing 737 MAX 8 Fault Tolerance Tool**

Mar 2019 – May 2019

- Design of a soft computing fuzzy-based algorithm that ratifies the coherence between the data obtained from all the sensors of a given system.
- Creation of the "Coherence Module" for assessment of fault tolerance in the control system. Tested in a high-fidelity simulation scenario of sensors, actuators, and human operator, replica of the Boeing 737 MAX 8 aircraft.



#### **AIRBRACE** · Baggage Location Awareness Systems

Sep 2018 - Jan 2019

- In-airport luggage tracking RFID scanners ("Air-Spot") to increase passenger's & airline's awareness of the baggage location.
- Development of the AI-based master software that minimizes luggage mishandling in ground operations.



#### BLI (Boundary Layer Ingestion) Technology Demonstrator - NASA / Aurora Flight Sciences D8 Airliner

Jan 2019 – Mar 2019

- Design and modeling of the aircraft. Aerodynamic, mechanical & thermo-mechanical analysis of the fuselage enclosure and inner structure.
- · Double-bubble interference analysis.
- 3D printed model fabrication and wind tunnel testing at the Aero-Labs of Baldwin Hall at the University of Cincinnati.



#### **ROVERSPACE** · Commercial Lunar Rovers

Apr 2018 – Jun 2018

- The project was supervised by the Concurrent Design Facility at the European Space Research and Technology Centre, ESTEC, and it involved 15 European aerospace engineers.
- Design of a low-weight, deployable structure for lunar exploration.



#### **IMITATE** · Motion Technology Systems

Jul 2017 - Mar 2018

- Software development for the recording of human limb motion. Input data acquired through gyroscopic sensors and accelerometers installed in a wearable electronic device. Crafting of the pattern trajectories recognition and motion imitation algorithms.
- Company Awarded with the Eiken Cluster Market Chance, Department of Economic and Territorial Development of the Provincial Council of Bizkaia.

# **Volunteering Projects**









EmTech Digital 2022, EmTech Digital 2023, Future Compute

Mar 2022 – Present Cambridge, Massachusetts

• EmTech Digital delivers editorially curated content to understand the implications of AI breakthroughs from the leaders in academia and business for those demanding real-world execution strategies.







### Co-Founder and Organizer of the Explainable Fuzzy AI Challenges - XFC 2021 & 2022

In collaboration with Thales, NAFIPS and the UC

Jun 2020 – Present Cincinnati, Ohio

- International Competition for undergraduate and graduate students that tests their skills in coding, AI and transparent inference. The students had to create a fully autonomous genetic-fuzzy explainable algorithm in Python capable of playing the famous Python Arcade Game "Asteroid Smasher". The game consists of a multiagent system of 2-dimensional spacecrafts that move to avoid collisions with numerous asteroids of different shapes, sizes and velocities that appear in the environment.
- Member of the Student Activities Committee of NAFIPS 2021 Annual Conference, Purdue University.





Participated in the NASA International Space Apps Challenge 2020

**NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration** 

May 2020 – May 2020 Online



• Development of an eXplainable AI algorithm that predicts the COVID-19 cases of different hub areas across the US. A datadriven decision-making tool for the government and local authorities, "Safe Planet AI". The software uses genetic fuzzy artificial intelligence leveraging climatic and pollution data from the satellite Sentinel-5P (ESA) to predict the spread of the disease.

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**Graduate Chair, College of Engineering and Applied Science, CEAS, (University of Cincinnati) (Nov 2019 – Aug 2020)** 

**Graduate Representative, Aerospace Engineering Department GSA (University of Cincinnati) (Oct 2019 – Present)** 

Member, European Society for Fuzzy Logic and Technology, EUSFLAT (Aug 2019 – Present)

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Board Member, Department of Applied Mechanics (Higher Technical School of Engineering of Bilbao) (Oct 2013 – May 2018)

Researcher of Planar Kinematics, Research Group CompMech, Analysis and Design of mechanisms (Sep 2014 – May 2017)

Representative of the Student Council, Department of Applied Physics (Higher Technical School of Engineering of Bilbao) (Sep 2015 – Apr 2017)

### **Letter of Recognition from**

HH. MM. King Felipe VI.

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Me es muy grato darte la enhorabuena por la beca de la Fundación "la Caixa" que, gracias a tu talento y esfuerzo, has recibido con todo merecimiento.

Como sabes, en estas fechas se solía celebrar la tradicional ceremonia de entrega de diplomas a los becarios de "la Caixa", un acto solemne que me enorgullece presidir, junto a la Reina, desde 2015.

La Corona ha apoyado este excelente programa de Becas prácticamente desde sus inicios en 1982, como muestra de respaldo institucional a la educación y la investigación. Este programa encarna perfectamente el vínculo entre conocimiento y progreso. Y la ceremonia nos ofrece, año tras año, la posibilidad de conocer los proyectos que cada uno lleváis a cabo, y de conoceros personalmente junto a vuestros familiares presentes. Se trata de una ocasión única para comprobar, con hechos y sobre el terreno, el talento que nuestro país es capaz de generar.

Atendiendo a las circunstancias excepcionales que estamos viviendo, que reclaman de todos nosotros la máxima prudencia y responsabilidad, y de común acuerdo con el presidente de la Fundación "la Caixa", Don Isidro Fainé, este año la entidad se ha visto obligada a cancelar la ceremonia de entrega de diplomas. No tengo duda de que sabrás comprender y compartir esta decisión, que, aunque triste, resulta totalmente necesaria.

Precisamente por ello, me gustaria comunicarte, a travvés de esta carta y ante la imposibilidad de hacerlo en persona, mi sincero reconocimiento y mis mejores deseos, a los que se une la Reina, para esta etapa que ahora inicias y que ha de abrirte un gran porvenir.

Quiero también apelar a tu compromiso personal para pedirte, en nombre de nuestros ciudadanos, que multipliques, si cabe, tu esfuerzo durante los próximos meses, para alcanzar el máximo nivel de excelencia en tu educación.

En estos últimos años, hemos podido comprobar personalmente que todos los becarios de "la Caixa" tenéis, por un lado, el privilegio de disfrutar de un talento excepcional, y por otro, la fortuna de recibir el respaldo de una Fundación que os ofrece, con gran generosidad, los recursos para que completéis vuestra formación en las mejores universidades del mundo.

Este doble privilegio reclama de vosotros el más alto grado de responsabilidad, exigencia y compromiso social. Sobre todo, teniendo en cuenta los retos que España tiene por delante.

La crisis sanitaria provocada por la enfermedad del covid-19 nos ha llevado a vivir unos momentos excepcionalmente complejos en todo el mundo. Se trata, sin duda, de una realidad extrema y muy dolorosa, que nos pone a prueba y nos marca un único objetivo posible: la superación. Una meta que precisa del esfuerzo y el compromiso del conjunto de la sociedad —ciudadanos e instituciones—.

Tengo la convicción de que sabréis honrar la confianza que se deposita en todos vosotros y estoy seguro de que juntos superaremos estos tiempos de dificultad. Porque esta dura experiencia nos va a ayudar como sociedad a ser más fuertes y capaces de afrontar los desafíos que están por venir. Y vosotros, todos los becarios de "la Caixa", contribuiréis de forma destacada a ello. No tengo la menor duda.

Junto a la Reina, quiero desearte los mayores éxitos personales y profesionales, con un saludo lieno de afecto.

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Señor DON JAVIER VIAÑA PÉREZ

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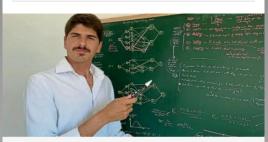
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### The man with transparent algorithms

• Javier Viaña Pérez innovates in the design of artificial intelligence so that it does not escape human understanding



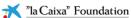
Javier Viaña Pérez is completing his doctorate in fuzzy artificial intelligence applied to aerospace engineering at the University



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"It is essential to understand the guts of an algorithm; if we don't understand how it works, we can't let it make decisions like where a plane is going. " Javier Viaña Pérez (Bilbao, 1995) is an industrial and aerospace engineer, but in recent years he has focused his efforts and his research on artificial intelligence and, more specifically, on its "explicability", in which the decisions made by algorithms are transparent and understandable to the human mind.



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more, machine can now learn from their own experience, they adapt to new data and can carry out tasks that once were only doable by humans. But could Al go beyond our capacities and work without our intervention?

Javier Viaña Pérez is wary of this possible scenario, and he's sure that it's of the utmost importance to understand machine reasoning and algorithms from a human perspective. "In my sector, this feature is known as 'explainability'," he said. This is precisely what he's researching with the support of a "la Caixa" Foundation fellowship at the University of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the USA, where he's doing a PhD in aerospace engineering. "In certain applications, such as aviation, if a system doesn't meet this requirement, it's inexcusable," he said





### UC student aims to better interpret artificial intelligence

Javier Viaña Pérez is using genetic fuzzy systems to provide clarity into artificial intelligence



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The University of Cincinnati - College of Engineering and Applied Science Graduate Student of the Month, Javier Viaña Pérez, has already helped develop a camera in use on the International Space Station.



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### Javier Viaña: "There are companies that do not care about arguments and make decisions based on the algorithm"

Doctor in transparent Artificial Intelligence, Viaña gives the keys to the importance of incorporating it in companies

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Javier Viaña, doctor in Transparent Artificial Intelligence at the Aerospace Department of the University of Cincinnati (USA) traveled this Wednesday to the heart of Castilla y León to shine a light on and analyze Artificial Intelligence in the Future of Employment.









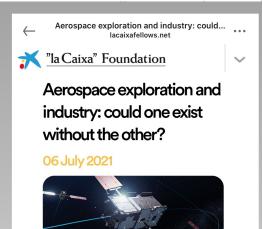
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# VICE PRESIDENT IGEA PARTICIPATES IN THE CONFERENCE 'ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE FUTURE OF EMPLOYMENT'

December 15, 2021

Castile and Leon | Minister of Transparency, Spatial Planning and Foreign Action

The vice president, spokesperson and counselor for Transparency, Spatial Planning and Foreign Action, Francisco Igea, has participated today in the conference 'Artificial Intelligence in the future of employment', organized by the Asociación Visión Responsable de Castilla y León. The event took place at the Official Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Valladolid and also featured a presentation by the industrial and aerospace engineer Javier Viaña.

During the conference, emphasis was placed on the importance of transparency when implementing artificial intelligence in different sectors, while it was highlighted that, in Castilla y León, artificial intelligence is present in the automotive business fabric, in the agri-food or health sector.



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The Men's 8+ boat of the MIT Rowing Club competed in the largest regatta of the world, the Head of the Charles. With an official race time of 16 minutes and 11 seconds the team established a new record in all the 25 years of history of the club.









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### CVG and UC put AI to work to shorten airport lines

**UC engineering student's algorithm helps** airport predict crowding



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The University of Cincinnati is teaming up with Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport to address crowding.

UC College of Engineering and Applied Science doctoral student Javier Viaña used airport technology that identifies the number of people entering the terminals to build a custom algorithm that can help the airport predict surges of travelers in 15-minute increments.

This information could help the Transportation Security Administration anticipate when to open new lines, Viaña said.



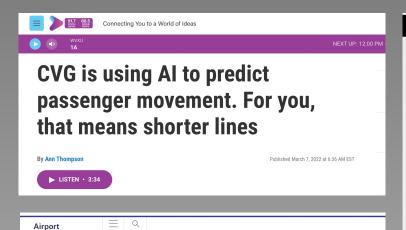
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"The modelling done by Javier provides the airport and our business partners reliable data to prepare our operations based on passenger arrival predictions, potentially reducing crowding and wait times along the travel journey from parking and check-in to security screening and concessions."

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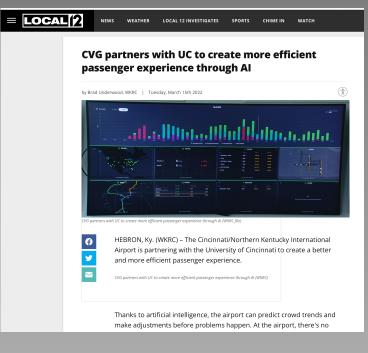


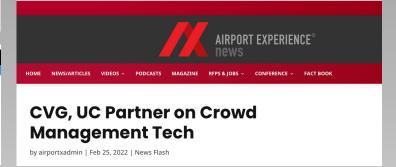
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### CVG and UC put AI to work to help airport predict crowding and enhance the passenger experience

Cincinnati, Oh. (February 24, 2022) - The Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) is teaming up with the University of Cincinnati (UC) to predict crowding and enhance the passenger experience throughout the airport.

CVG engaged UC College of Engineering and Applied Science aerospace engineering doctoral student Javier Viaña to utilize airport data to create a software program to help the airport predict when travelers arrive at the airport, broken down into 15-minute increments. By leveraging data collected by another program previously developed by CVG, Viaña has been able to specifically model queue lines at the security checkpoint.

"What makes this model unique is how UC is using artificial intelligence based on fuzzy logic, a type of computer decision making that allows us to provide a human-like explanation for its predictions," said Javier Viaña. "We refer to this type of algorithms as explainable and transparent."



Javiar Viaña, UC doctoral student



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### **CVG Airport and UC employ AI to help anticipate** congestion and enhance the passenger experience



Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) is working with the University of Cincinnati (UC) to anticipate congestion throughout the airport and enhance the passenger experience.

CVG asked UC College of Engineering and Applied Science aerospace engineering doctoral student Xavier Viana to use airport data to help predict airports in 15-minute increments upon arrival at the airport, divided. By leveraging data collected by another program previously developed by CVG, Viana is able to model queue lines exclusively at security checkpoints.

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