

# Celebrative talk. Enrique's homemade Algebraic Geometry.

Celebrating Enrique Arrondo's 60th birthday

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# Where does Enrique come from?



Projective Algebraic Geometry in Milano, June, 2009

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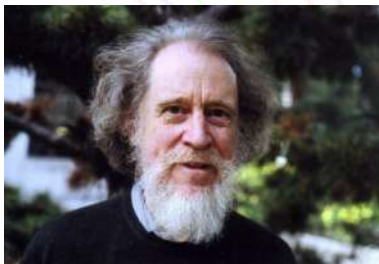
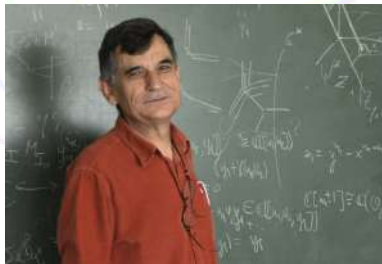
- 1985: Degree in Mathematical Science in the Universidad Complutense de Madrid (with extraordinary bachelor's degree award).
- 1986-1989: Predoctoral FPI grant from the MEC at the Faculty of Mathematical Sciences of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid.
- 1990: PhD in Mathematical Sciences from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid (with extraordinary PhD award).
- Professor at Universidad Complutense de Madrid since 1990 until it holds.

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1990 Enrique Arrondo Esteban, Universidad Complutense de Madrid



1975 Ignacio Sols Lucía, Universidad de Zaragoza



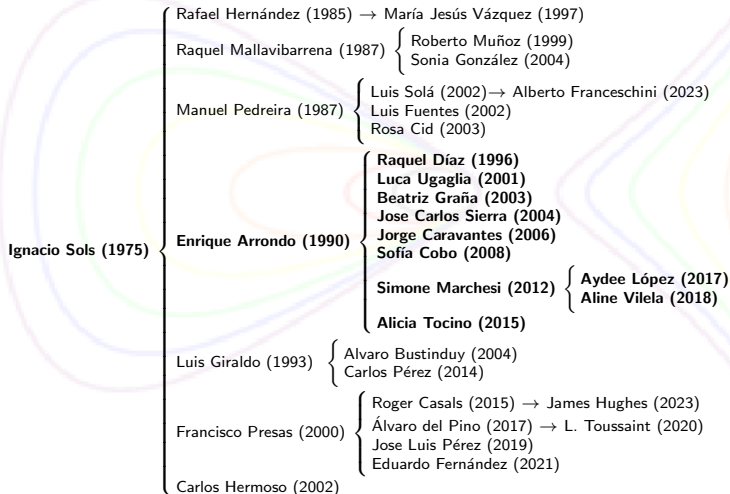
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GESTA 2009, Benasque, Spain

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1901 José María Plans y Freyre  
José Gabriel Álvarez Ude,  
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1822 Karl Georg Christian von  
Staudt,  
Friedrich-Alexander-Universität  
Erlangen-Nürnberg



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1822 Karl Georg Christian von Staudt



1799 Carl Friedrich Gauss, Universität Helmstedt



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# Congruences with *Ignacio Sols*

- PhD title: Congruencias de rectas en  $\mathbb{P}^3 \Rightarrow$  **On congruences of lines in the projective space**, with Ignacio Sols (1992).
  - Study of smooth congruences (surfaces in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$ )  $\rightsquigarrow$  parallelism with surfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^4$ .
  - They proved that the only indecomposable bundles on  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$  without intermediate cohomology are line bundles and twists of the spinor bundle.
  - They described the Hilbert schemes of all smooth congruences of degree up to nine are described, enhancing a paper by the authors and a paper by *Alessandro Verra*.
  - Most original result  $\rightsquigarrow$  five classes of the smooth congruences that can be obtained as a projection from another surface in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$ .
  - Finitely many components of the Hilbert scheme consisting of smooth congruences that are not of general type  $\rightsquigarrow$  analogous result for surfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^4$  was proven by *Geir Ellingsrud* and *Christian Peskine*.

# In the meantime

- **Proof of Schubert's conjectures on double contacts**, with *Raquel Mallavibarrena* and *Ignacio Sols* (1990).



Facultad de Matemáticas, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, "1992"

## Also in the meantime



Madrid, 199?

- **On smooth surfaces in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$  with a fundamental curve (1993).**
  - $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$  contains two families of planes.
  - The bidegree of a surface in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$  is determined by the number of points where the congruence intersects a general plane from each family.
  - A singular point of a congruence is a point in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  with infinitely many lines of the congruence passing through it  $\rightsquigarrow$  form the fundamental curve of the congruence.
  - More comprehensive classification of smooth congruences in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$  (giving the possible bidegrees of the congruences when its fundamental curve is not a line and the degree of the fundamental curves).
  - Construction of smooth congruences with a bidegree of  $(3,6)$  and  $(5,8)$ .
  - Generalization is coming...

# Congruences with *Marina Bertolini* and *Cristina Turrini*



Europroj meeting "EuroConference, Noordfjordeid, Norway, June 1995

- First part  $\Rightarrow$  **Classification of smooth congruences with a fundamental curve** (1994).
  - A congruence of lines is a variety of dimension  $n - 1$  in  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$ .
  - Classification all smooth congruences having a fundamental curve  $C$ .
    - $C$  is a line  $\Rightarrow$  infinitely many.
    - $\deg(C) \geq 2 \Rightarrow$  finitely many.
- Second part  $\Rightarrow$  **Congruences of small degree in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$**  (1998).
  - Classification of all smooth threefolds in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  of bidegree  $(a, b)$  with  $a = 0$  or  $b \leq 2$ .
  - All possible numerical invariants of smooth threefolds in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  of degree  $\leq 10$ .
  - Classification work of varieties of small degree need given by *Paltin Ionescu* (1988) and *Maria Lucia Fania* and *Elvira Laura Livorni* (1994).



- Third part  $\Rightarrow$  **Quadric bundle congruences in  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$**  (2000).
  - All possible smooth congruences in  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  for  $n \geq 4$ , which have a quadratic bundle structure over a curve.
  - Main tool: Castelnuovo's bound for the genus of projective curves & generalization for curves in an arbitrary Grassmannian variety (which was obtained by *Luis Giraldo*, 2000).
- More:
  - **Genus formula for generalized offset curves**, with *Juana Sendra* and *J. Rafael Sendra* (1999).
  - **A focus on focal surfaces**, with *M. Bertolini* and *C. Turrini* (2001)
  - **Line congruences of low order**, on his own (2002).
    - Classification of line congruences of order 0 and 1.
  - **Focal loci in  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$** , with *M. Bertolini* and *C. Turrini* (2005).
  - **On the ampleness of the normal bundle of line congruences**, with *M. Bertolini* and *C. Turrini* (2011).

# Congruences with *Beatriz Graña* and *Sofía Cobo*

- **Congruences on  $\mathbb{G}(1,4)$  with split universal quotient bundle, with **Beatriz Graña** (2006).**



Florence, Italy, March 2004

- **Congruences on  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  with split universal quotient bundle, with *Beatriz Graña* (2006).**
  - Classification of the smooth threefolds in  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  for which the restriction of the universal quotient bundle  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a direct sum of two line bundles.
- **On the stability of the universal quotient bundle restricted to congruences of low degree of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 3)$ , with *Sofía Cobo* (2010).**
  - Is there a congruence with any preassigned bidegree  $(a, b)$ ?

# Vector bundles without intermediate cohomology

- *Geoffrey Horrocks* criterion (1964): a vector bundle  $F$  over  $\mathbb{P}^n$  splits if and only if  $H^i(\mathbb{P}^n, F \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(t)) = 0$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 < i < n$ .
- *Giorgio Ottaviani* criterion (1987): a vector bundle  $F$  over  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  splits if and only if  $H^i(\mathbb{G}(k, n), \wedge^{i_1} \mathcal{Q} \otimes \dots \otimes \wedge^{i_s} \mathcal{Q} \otimes F(t)) = 0$  for all  $0 \leq i_1, \dots, i_s \leq n - k$ ,  $s \leq k$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 < i < (k + 1)(n - k)$  where  $\mathcal{Q}$  is the quotient bundle on  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$ .
- **Vector bundles on  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  without intermediate cohomology**, with *Beatriz Graña* (1999).
  - Characterization of vector bundles on  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  without intermediate cohomology.
- **Cohomological Characterization of Vector Bundles on Grassmannians of Lines**, with *Francesco Malaspina* (2010).
  - Following the notion of Mumford–Castelnuovo regularity.

# Vector bundles without intermediate cohomology

- **Cohomological characterization of universal bundles of  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$** , with **Alicia Tocino** (2019).
  - Characterization of direct sums of twists of symmetric powers of the universal quotient bundle over  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  (also using Beilinson's spectral sequence).



PhD defense, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, July 2015

- **Vector bundles on Fano 3-folds without intermediate cohomology**, with *Laura Costa* (2000).
  - There exist, up to a twist, only three indecomposable rank-2 bundles without intermediate cohomology.
- **Vector bundles with no intermediate cohomology on Fano threefolds of type  $V_{22}$** , with *Daniele Faenzi* (2006).
  - Up to isomorphism and twisted by line bundles, the only possible rank-2 vector bundles without intermediate cohomology on prime Fano threefold of index 1 and genus 12 are of five different classes.
- **Curves and vector bundles on quartic threefolds**, with *Carlo G. Madonna* (2009).
  - Vector bundles without intermediate cohomology of rank  $\geq 3$  on hypersurfaces inside  $\mathbb{P}^4$  of degree  $r \geq 1$ .

# Projections of Grassmannians

- **Projections of Grassmannians of lines and characterization of Veronese varieties**, on his own (1999).
  - The only nondegenerate smooth complex surface in  $\mathbb{P}^5$  that can be isomorphically projected to  $\mathbb{P}^4$  is the Veronese surface (F. Severi).
  - For  $n \geq 2$ , the only nondegenerate  $n$ -dimensional smooth subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^{n(n+3)/2}$  that can be isomorphically projected to  $\mathbb{P}^{2n}$  is the double Veronese embedding of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  (F. L. Zak).
  - Characterization of the double Veronese embedding of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  as the only variety that, under certain general conditions, can be isomorphically projected from the  $\mathbb{G}(1, 2n + 1)$  to  $\mathbb{G}(1, n + 1)$ .
  - Next steps are coming.
- **The universal rank- $(n - 1)$  bundle on  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  restricted to subvarieties**, on his own (1998).
  - The same problem is studied for  $\mathbb{G}(n - 1, n)$  and  $\mathbb{G}(n - 2, n)$ .

# Projections of Grassmannians

- **Classification of  $n$ -dimensional subvarieties of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 2n)$  that can be projected to  $\mathbb{G}(1, n + 1)$ , with **J. C. Sierra** and **L. Ugaglia** (2005).**



Giornate di Geometria Algebrica e argomenti correlati V, Gargano, Italy, 2000



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- **Classification of  $n$ -dimensional subvarieties of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 2n)$  that can be projected to  $\mathbb{G}(1, n + 1)$ , with [Jose Carlos Sierra](#) and [Luca Ugaglia](#) (2005).**
- Classification of varieties that are projectable to  $\mathbb{P}^{2n}$  coming from  $\mathbb{P}^{n(n+3)/2-1}$ .
- Classification of varieties that are projectable to  $\mathbb{G}(1, n + 1)$  coming from  $\mathbb{G}(1, 2n)$ .
- The Veronese varieties and their inner projections are the only projectable varieties from  $\mathbb{G}(1, 2n)$  to  $\mathbb{G}(1, n + 1)$ , under certain conditions.
- For the projective case?
- **Characterization of Veronese varieties via projections in Grassmannians, with [Raffaella Paoletti](#) (2005).**
  - Extension to  $\mathbb{G}(d - 1, nd + d - 1)$  into  $\mathbb{G}(d - 1, n + 2d - 3)$ .

- **Schwarzenberger bundles of arbitrary rank on the projective space**, on his own (2010).
  - Introduction of a certain class of Steiner bundles generalizing the construction of Schwarzenberger (generalized Schwarzenberger bundle).
  - When is a Steiner bundle a generalized Schwarzenberger bundle?
  - Notion of jumping subspaces of a Steiner bundle.
  - Characterization of the generalized Schwarzenberger bundles as the Steiner bundles whose set of jumping hyperplanes have maximal dimension.



# Steiner and Schwarzenberger bundles

- **Jumping pairs of Steiner bundles**, with **Simone Marchesi** (2015).
  - General definition of a Steiner bundle on a Grassmannian finding lower bounds for its possible ranks.
  - Notion of a Schwarzenberger bundle on a Grassmannian.
  - *Jean Vallès* found a characterization of Steiner bundles which are also Schwarzenberger bundles in terms of jumping hyperplanes.
  - Notion of jumping pairs associated to a Steiner bundle which generalizes the concept of jumping hyperplanes.
  - They classify all Steiner bundles on  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  whose jumping locus is maximal and show that they are also Schwarzenberger bundles.
- **Schwarzenberger bundles on smooth projective varieties**, with *Simone Marchesi* and *Helena Soares* (2016).

- **On the variety parameterizing completely decomposable polynomials**, with *Alessandra Bernardi* (2011).
  - Variety of splitting forms, that is, the variety whose points are classes of degree  $d$  forms splitting as a product of  $d$  linear forms in  $n + 1$  variables  $\longleftrightarrow \mathbb{G}(n - 1, n + d - 1)$ .
  - Results concerning the higher secant varieties of the varieties of splitting forms.
- **Skew-symmetric tensor decomposition**, with *Alessandra Bernardi*, *Pedro Macias Marques* and *Bernard Murrain* (2021)
  - From the algebraic geometry point of view, studying skew-symmetric tensor decomposition is related to the study of higher secant varieties of Grassmannians.
  - From the skew-symmetric action  $\rightsquigarrow$  skew-catalecticant matrices  $\rightsquigarrow$  skew apolarity lemma (analogue of the classical apolarity lemma for symmetric tensors).

- **A notion of Delta-multigenus for certain rank two ample vector bundles**, with *Antonio Lanteri* and *Carla Novelli* (2013).



Europroj meeting "EuroConference, Vestkapp, Norway, 1995

# Following Hartshorne's conjecture

- *Hartshorne's conjecture*: A smooth  $n$ -dimensional subvariety  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^N$  must be a complete intersection if  $2N < 3n$ .
  - Any rank-2 vector bundle over a projective space  $\mathbb{P}^n$  splits into the direct sum of two line bundles.
- *W. Barth and M.E. Larsen (1970, 1972, 1973)*: "The cohomology of  $X$  behaves like the one of a complete intersection".
- It implies that the Picard group of such  $X$  is generated by the class of its hyperplane section if  $N \leq 2n - 2$ .
- One can replace the projective space with other ambient spaces.
- The main evidence for this conjecture is cohomological.

# Following Hartshorne's conjecture

- **Subcanonicity of codimension two subvarieties** on his own (2005).
  - Conjecture in the codimension two: for  $N \geq 6$ , any codimension two smooth  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^N$  has to be a complete intersection.
  - Barth-Larsen theorem  $\rightsquigarrow$  any codimension 2 variety in these conditions is subcanonical.
  - Study of the subcanonicity problem of codimension two subvarieties contained in Grassmannians of lines or quadrics (as ambient spaces).
- **Evidence to subcanonicity of codimension two submanifolds of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$** , with *Maria Lucia Fania* (2006).
  - Any smooth codimension two projective subvariety of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  of degree  $\leq 25$  is subcanonical (classification of such subvarieties).
  - Consequence, any smooth codimension two projective subvariety of  $\mathbb{G}(1, 4)$  which is not of general type has degree  $\leq 32$  (classification of such subvarieties).



# Following Hartshorne's conjecture

- On the Picard group of low-codimension subvarieties, with **Jorge Caravantes** (2009).



PhD defense, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, January, 2006

- How to determine if  $n$ -dimensional smooth subvarieties of an ambient space of dimension at most  $2n - 2$  inherit the Picard group from the ambient space? Key step: the subvariety is simply connected?
- Ambient space is a  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  or a product of two projective spaces of the same dimension.

# How Enrique understands algebraic geometry

- **Deriving the Serre correspondence by hand (2004).**
- **Another elementary proof of the Nullstellensatz (2006).**
- **A home-made Hartshorne-Serre correspondence (2007).**
- **Representation theory of finite groups through (basic) algebraic geometry (2023).**

# One more student

- PhD title: **Matrices de Gram y espacios de ángulos diédricos de poliedros**, **Raquel Díaz Sánchez**, July 5<sup>th</sup> 1996.



PhD defense, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, July, 1996

# One year earlier



Casa Galicia, Paris, spring, 1995



Latin Quartier, Paris, spring, 1995

# Summer schools

- Perugia 1998, 2001, 2007, 2011, 2016.



Summer School SMI, Perugia, 2011

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Summer School SMI, Perugia, 2016

# Young mathematician spirit forever



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# Homemade algebraic geometry



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But this is not over!!!