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Luke Conaboy

Employment

2023-present Research Fellow, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

Advisor: Prof James Bolton

2022-2023 Research Associate, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

Advisor: Dr Emma Chapman

Education

2018-2022 PhD Astronomy, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK

Supervisor: Prof Ilian Iliev

Thesis: Simulations of structure formation and feedback at high redshift

2014-2018 MSci Physics with Astronomy, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

Degree classification: First

Publications

First author

- 2025 The connection between high-redshift galaxies and Lyman α transmission in the Sherwood-Relics simulations of patchy reionisation, **Conaboy**, Bolton, Keating, Haehnelt, Kulkarni, Puchwein, MNRAS 539(3)
- 2023 Relative baryon-dark matter velocities in cosmological zoom simulations, **Conaboy**, lliev, Fialkov, Dixon, Sullivan, MNRAS 525(4)

Latter author

- 2025 How probable is the Lyman- α damping wing in the spectrum of the redshift z=5.9896 quasar ULAS J0148+0600?, Sawyer, Bolton, Becker, **Conaboy**, Haehnelt, Keating, Kulkarni, Puchwein, MNRAS 539(3)
- 2024 Reproducibility of machine learning analyses of 21 cm reionization maps, Sooknunan, Chapman, Conaboy, Mortlock, and Pritchard arXiv e-prints

The Thermal Sunyaev-Zel'dovich Effect from the Epoch of Reionization, Iliev, Hosein, Chluba, **Conaboy**, Attard, Mondal, Ahn, Gottlöber, Lewis, Ocvirk, Park, Shapiro, Sorce, and Yepes MNRAS 540(2)

Dust-UV offsets in high-redshift galaxies in the Cosmic Dawn III simulation, Ocvirk, Lewis, **Conaboy**, Dubois, Bethermin, Sorce, Aubert, Shapiro, Dawoodbhoy, Lee, Teyssier, Yepes, Gottlöber, Iliev, Ahn, and Park arXiv e-prints (in review)

The Lyman-limit photon mean free path at the end of late reionization in the Sherwood–Relics simulations, Feron, **Conaboy**, Bolton, Chapman, Haehnelt, Keating, Kulkarni, Puchwein, MNRAS 532(2)

The short ionizing photon mean free path at z=6 in Cosmic Dawn III, a new fully-coupled radiation-hydrodynamical simulation of the Epoch of Reionization, Lewis, Ocvirk, Sorce, Aubert, **Conaboy**, Shapiro, Dawoodbhoy, Teyssier, Yepes, Gottlöber, Ahn, Iliev, Thélie, MNRAS 516(3)

Conference proceedings

2022 The Reionisation of the Local Universe in the Hestia Suite, John von Neumann Institute for Computing Symposium, Conaboy, Iliev, Libeskind

Supervision

2022-present Assistant supervisor to a PhD student, University of Nottingham

Talks

- Oct 2025 KMM Discussion Meeting, NAOJ, Tokyo
- Sep 2025 Kaba Kada EoR Meeting, Port Douglas, Cairns
- Apr 2025 Cake Talk, DAWN, Copenhagen
- Feb 2024 Astronomy Colloquium, ICC, Durham
- Nov 2023 TIFR State of the Universe, TIFR, Mumbai (online)
- Nov 2023 Cambridge Galaxies Discussion Group, KICC, Cambridge
- Jun 2023 CLUES Meeting 2023, LMU CAS, Munich
- Jul 2022 Hestia in the EoR, CLUES Meeting 2022, Madrid
- Sep 2021 Baryon drift effects at high-redshift, RAMSES User Meeting 2021, online
- Dec 2020 Baryon drift effects on small-scale structure, PhD in a Pandemic 2020, online
- Nov 2020 Local Group zoom simulations and baryon drift, CLUES Mid-term Meeting, online
- Oct 2020 Baryon drift effects on small-scale structure, Third Global 21cm Meeting, online
- Jan 2020 Cosmological reionisation, RAS Specialist Meeting, London, UK

Grants

2022 Co-PI (PI: Dr Noam I. Libeskind, PC: Prof Ilian T. Iliev) JUWELS (Jülich, Germany) computing time (13.3M core-h, applied) (**11M core-h, granted**)

Awards

2022 Physics Finalist, STEM for Britain

Conferences and workshops

Organising

- 2025 EAS 2025 SS22 Modelling the first billion years, *SOC*, Cork, Ireland Selecting talks
- 2022 University of Nottingham Astronomy Seminar Series, *Organiser*, Nottingham, UK Inviting and hosting guest speakers
 - 2020 SAZERAC 2020, *LOC*, online Moderating discussion

——— Teaching

- Spring 2020 Foundation Mathematics B, *University of Sussex* Assisting with workshops, marking.
- Autumn 2019 Scientific Computing, *University of Sussex*Assisting with workshops, marking.
- Autumn 2019 Financial Computing with MATLAB, *University of Sussex* Assisting with workshops, marking.

Computing skills

A list of languages or packages that I use regularly, or have experience using

Languages Python (numpy, scipy, matplotlib, mpi4py, yt), Fortran, Bash, MPI, Matlab , C/C++

Codes ramses, music, camb, gadget

Other Linux, High performance computing, LATEX