

Luke Hart

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Summary

- Pro-active and creative software developer and researcher with skills and experience in mathematics, astrophysics and statistics
- Led research culminating in several publications in high impact astronomy journals
- Experience writing software package for numerical simulations and statistical analysis
- Efficient tutoring experience of over 5 years with adaptive style of mentoring ideal for training
- Over 6 years of experience in OOP with Python, C++, Fortran using Unix, Linux and version control
- Professional in teams, independently and as a leader, with keen attention to detail and punctuality

Career History

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August 2021 -

Senior Software Engineer (Jul 2022 -)

Software lead of [IPSA](#) and software co-ordinator of the 2.10.0 release in May 2022. Modernisation and feature development within the *C++* and *Fortran* codebase including energy storage functionality and updated arc flash calculations. Ongoing development and modernisation of the IPSA UI using *Qt* and deployment with *Python* and *WiX*. Lead on new design features and backend final assessments with aspects of Agile software development.

Software Engineer (Aug 2021 - Jul 2022)

Developer of the [IPSA](#) power systems software. All developments include source code written in *C++* and *Fortran* with scripting in *Python* and UI framework based on *Qt*.

Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics

May 2020 - August 2021

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Researcher into non-standard physics in the cosmic microwave background. Lead of forecasting paper on signals for ESA missions such as *Voyage 2050*. Principal component analysis code (see [FEARec](#)) with non-standard physics models in the early universe. Co-wrote a *Voyage 2050* proposal forecasting for non-standard physics variations with spectral distortions using future space missions and the [Wikipedia page](#).

Technical Skills

Mathematical Skills ODE/PDE solving, iterative/non-linear solvers, PCA

Statistical Tools Linear regression, Monte Carlo simulations, dimensional reduction

Computer Languages C/C++, Python, Fortran, bash, LaTeX, PowerShell, XML/YAML, Markdown

Software and Tools numpy, matplotlib, pandas, scipy, Eigen, Mathematica, XMGrace, Git, IPSA, Qt

Programming Features UI/UX development, multiprocessing/HPC, OOP, Agile

Teaching

- Undergraduate Personal Tutor, **Second Year Undergraduate Teaching** *Manchester, 2020 - 2021*
Computing Lab (C++) Demonstrator, **Object Oriented Programming in C++** *Manchester, 2019*
Working Teaching Co-ordinator, **First Undergraduate Teaching** *Manchester, 2016 - 2018*

Education

Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics, University of Manchester *2016 - 2020*

- Ph.D. in Astronomy and Astrophysics (Theoretical Cosmology) *Manchester, UK*
 - *Probing the Recombination History with CMB Anisotropies and Spectral Distortions*
- Supervised by [Jens Chluba](#)
- Resulted in 3 first author publications and contributions to the *Voyage 2050* ESA Proposals
- Attended 4 conferences as a speaker and co-ordinated a conference for students at JBCA

University of Manchester *2012 - 2016*

- M.Phys in Physics (1st Hons.) *Manchester, UK*
- Masters Project supervised by [Sarah Bridle](#), [Joe Zuntz](#) and [Michael Troxel](#)
 - *Modified Gravity vs. Intrinsic Alignments in Weak Gravitational Lensing*
- Student internship with [Richard Battye](#) in 2015 focussing on Monte Carlo techniques within cosmology

Publications

See [List of Publications](#).

Other Experience

University of Manchester Cancer Research UK Society (CRUKSoc) *2013 - 2016*

Chairman and Founder

Primary organiser and co-ordinator of the first CRUK society at the University of Manchester. Led variety of fundraisers such as concerts, comedy nights and quiz nights. Raised over £20,000 managing the society of over 200 members.

Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics Postgraduate Committee *2018*

Chairman

Communicating any academic issues/logistic problems (i.e. short-term teaching contracts) to managers and responsible for the wellbeing movement within the Department of Physics and Astronomy, 2016 - 2018.

Organisations

- Associate Member *Institution of Analysts and Programmers (IAP) 2022 -*
Journal Referee *MNRAS, Physical Review, EPJ, JCAP 2020 -*
Physics Repr., School of Physics and Astronomy *University of Manchester, 2012 - 2020*