Modelling LAEs in the Epoch of Reionization with OBELISK:

Exploring the Connection Between Lyman- α Spectra and Lyman-Continuum Escape

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How to find $f_{esc}(LyC)$ from observations?



Credits: Izotov et al., 2018

Credits: Naidu & Matthee et al., 2021

Credits: Gazagnes et al., 2020

OBELISK

High-resolution, radiation-hydrodymanical simulation of a subvolume of Horizon-AGN which follows the evolution of DM, gas, stars and BHs via gravity, hydrodynamics, radiative transfer and nonequilibrium thermochemistry.



Galaxy sample

Sample of 13 UV selected galaxies with $3D M_{UV}$ from -19 to -19.5

Redshift 6

Mass range: $10^7 - 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ SFR: 0.7-31 M_{\odot}/yr $f_{esc}(LyC)$: 0.001 - 0.2



RASCAS

The radiative transfer of Lyman- α was performed with RASCAS and the mock observations were made with the peeling off algorithm.



Dust Models

 $Dust\,following\,Metals$

- Following the formulation of Laursen et al., 2009
- Constant dust-to-metal ratio
- Values based on Large Magellanic Cloud

Dust from OBELISK

• Subgrid dust model treated separately from metals (Trebitsch et al., 2021)

Lyman-*α* line properties

Lyman- α spectra

Large variety of profile emerging from the same galaxy when viewed in from different angles.



$V_{sep}(Ly\alpha)$ vs $f_{esc}(Ly\alpha)$

Higher Lyman continuum escape fraction at higher Lyman- α escape fractions for a given peak separation.



Dust comparison

Comparison of the same line of sight

Difference in emerging profiles when looking at the same line of sight with the two dust models.



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Estimate of $f_{esc}(LyC)$

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Adding dust

Taking into account dust attenuation, it should be possible to more robustly determine high LyC escape fractions.





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Thank you for your attention!

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$\begin{array}{l} \text{Ly}\alpha \; \text{EW vs} \\ \text{Ly}\alpha \; \text{flux} \end{array}$

Lower Lyman-*a* equivalent width for galaxies with higher observed UV magnitude



$L_{y\alpha} EW vs \\ f_{esc}(Ly\alpha)$

Higher $f_{esc}(LyC)$ for higher $f_{esc}(Ly\alpha)$ at a given EW. Possible indication that LyC and Ly α escape from the same channels.

