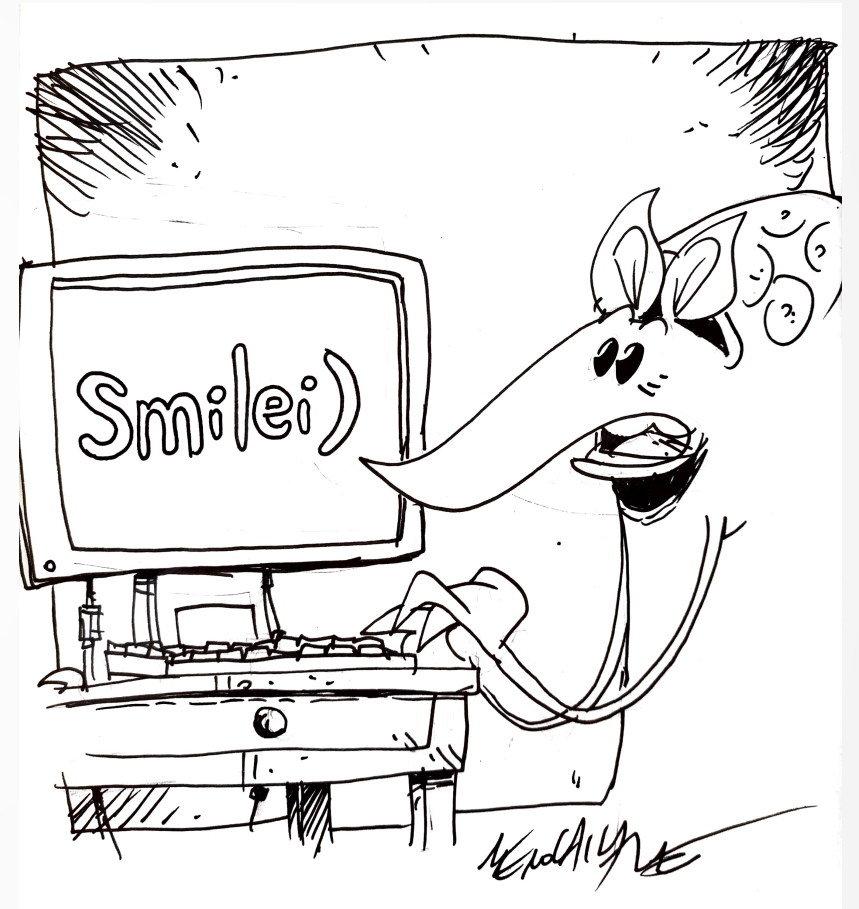


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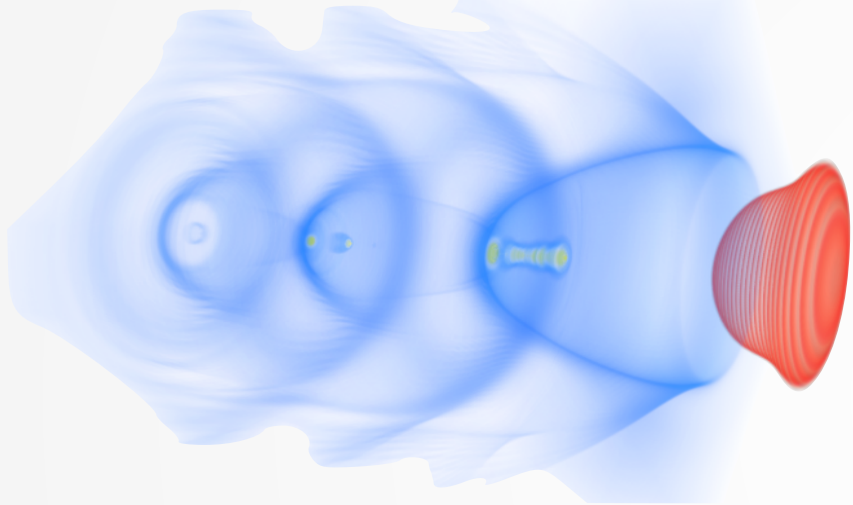
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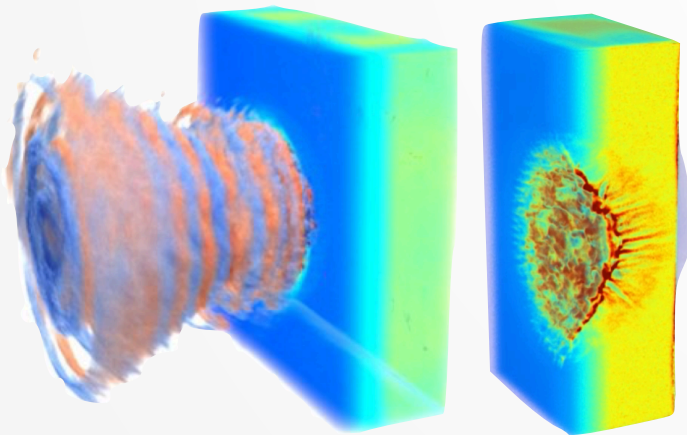
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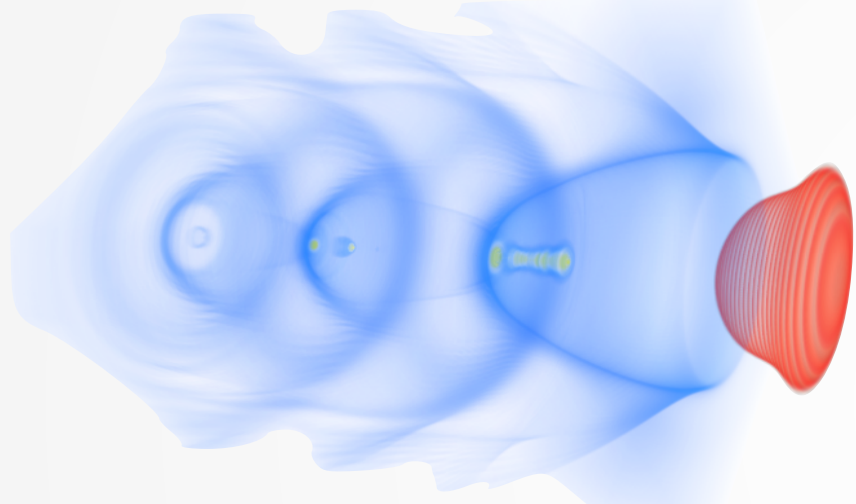
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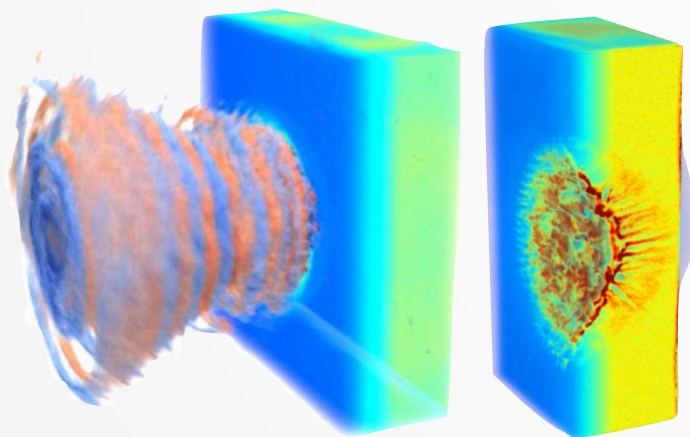
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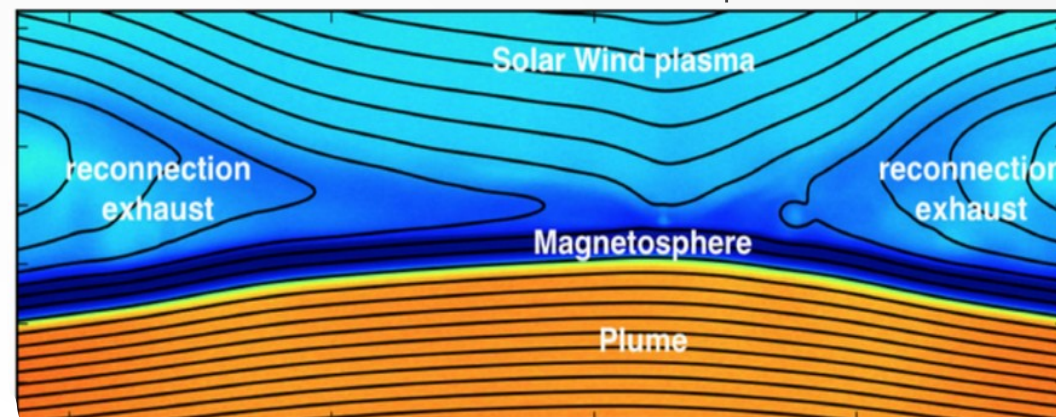


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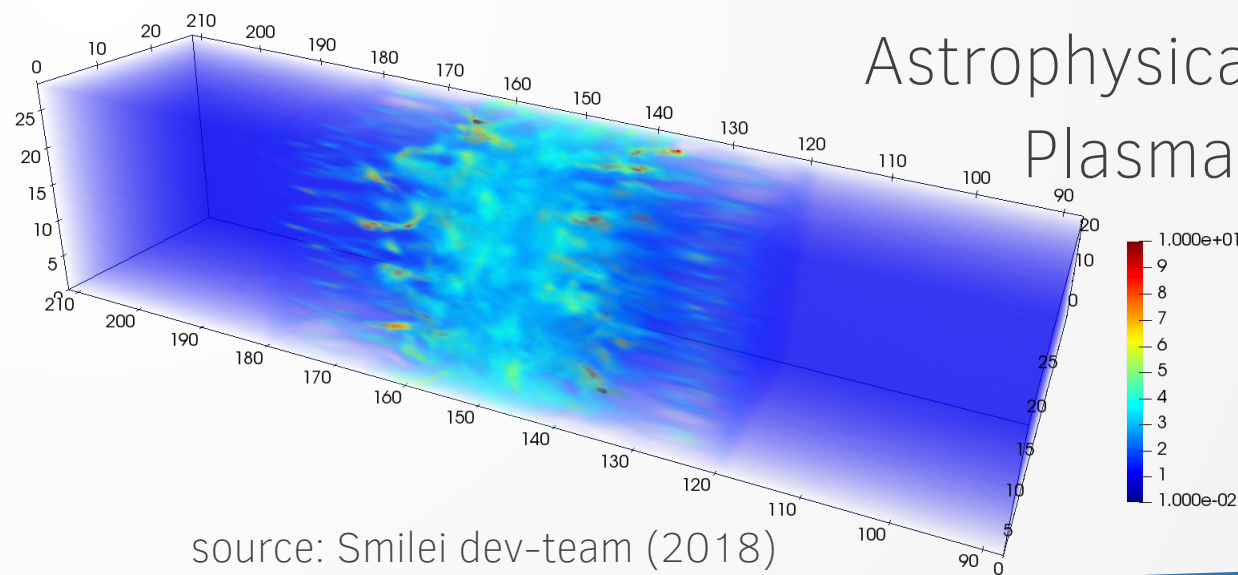
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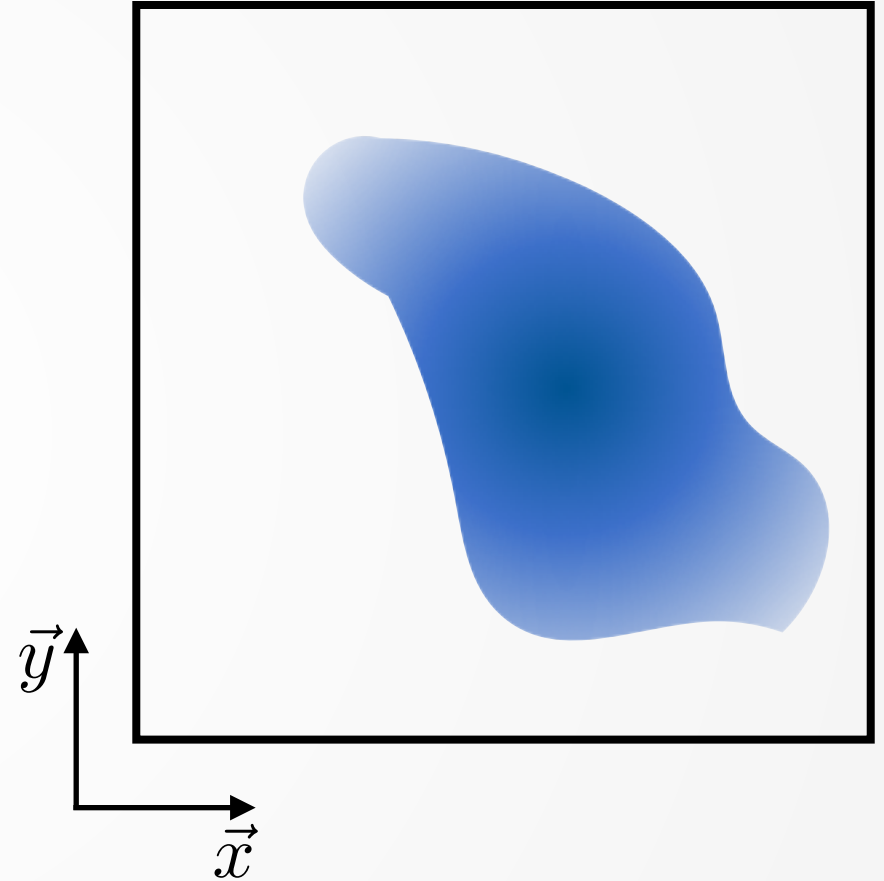
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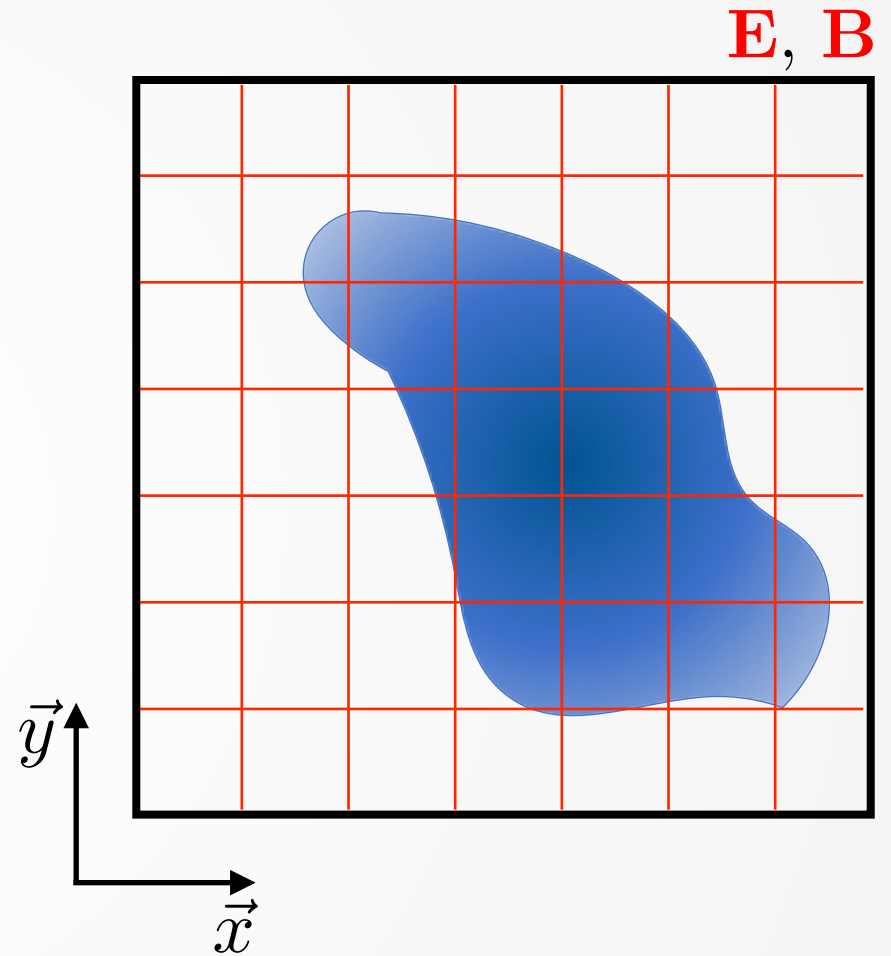
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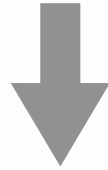


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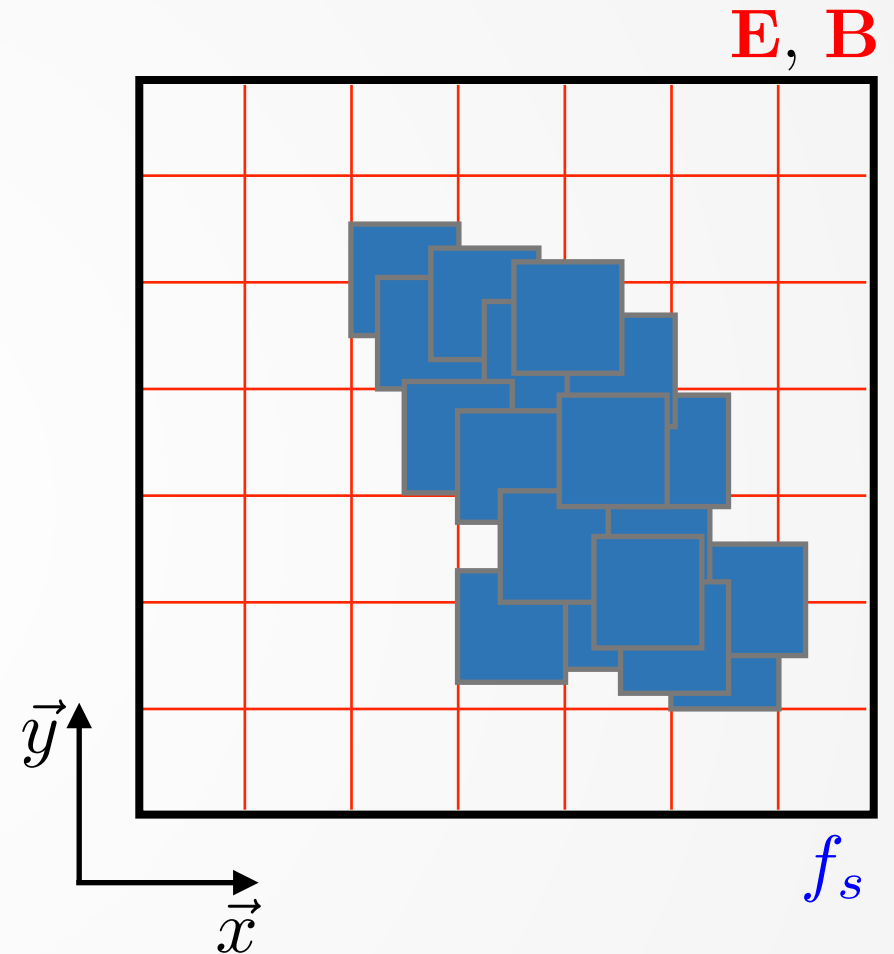
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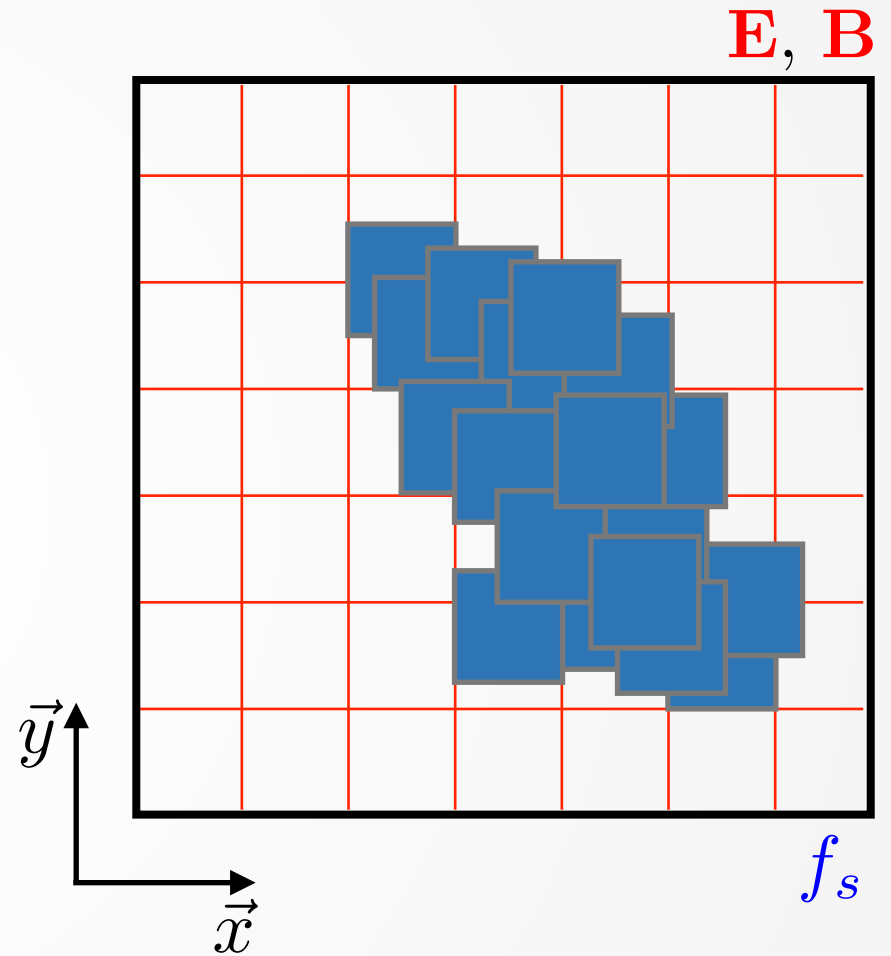


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- collisions (Fokker-Planck)
- ionization (field & impact)
- fusion reaction (DD)
- inverse Compton scattering
- Breit-Wheeler pair production

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Advanced Models

- Azimuthal mode decomposition
- Laser envelop model

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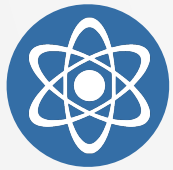
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- 10s millions computing hours every year via GENCI & PRACE
- GENCI technological survey
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- EuroHPC call for Exascale Centers of Excellence

Special/early access to various machines

- 2015 IDRIS/Turing BlueGene-Q
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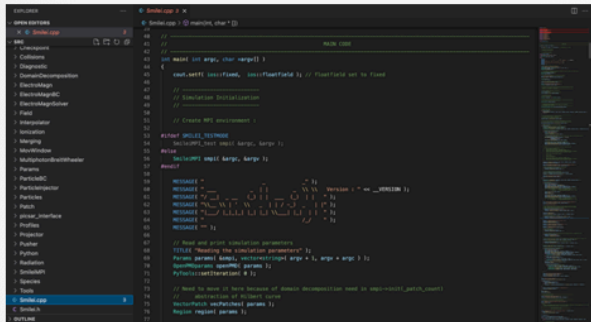
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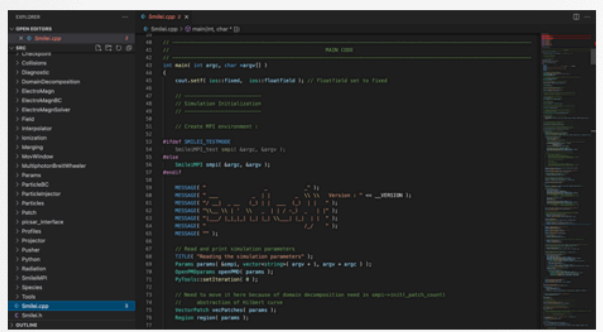
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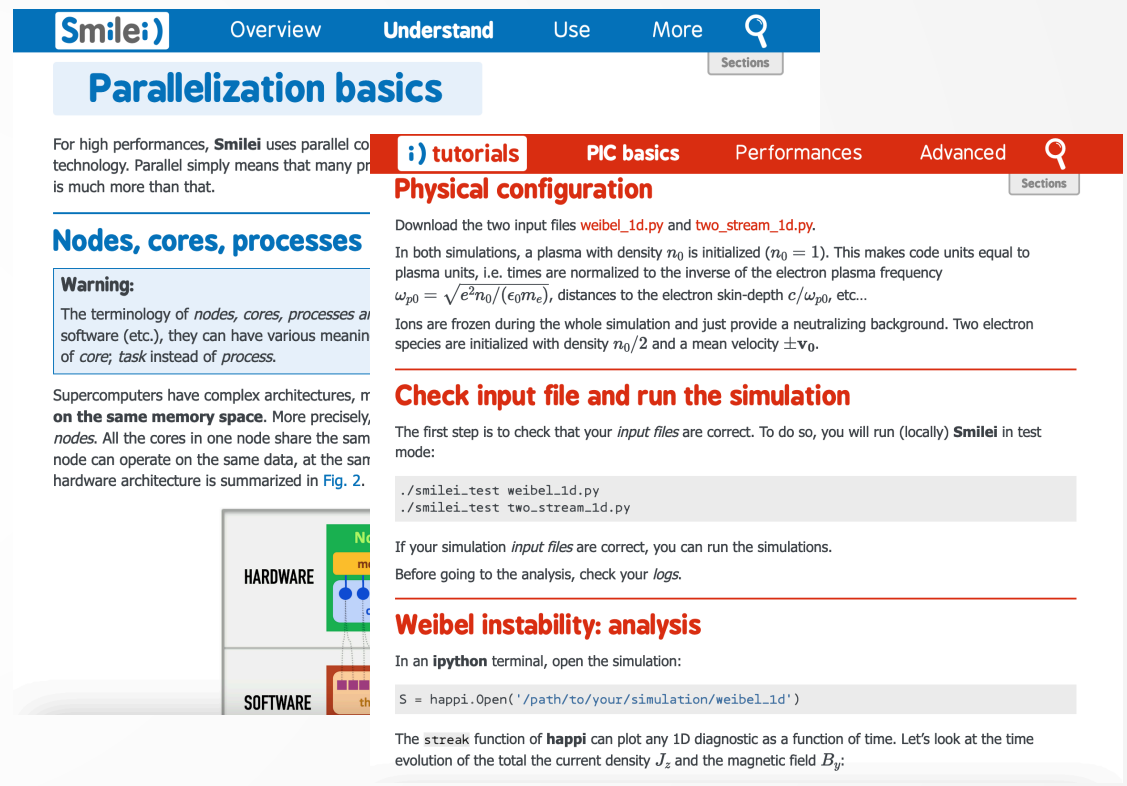
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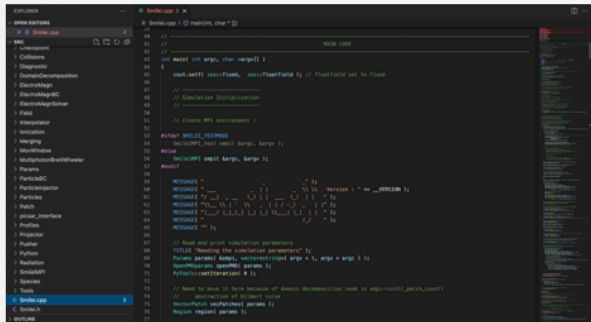
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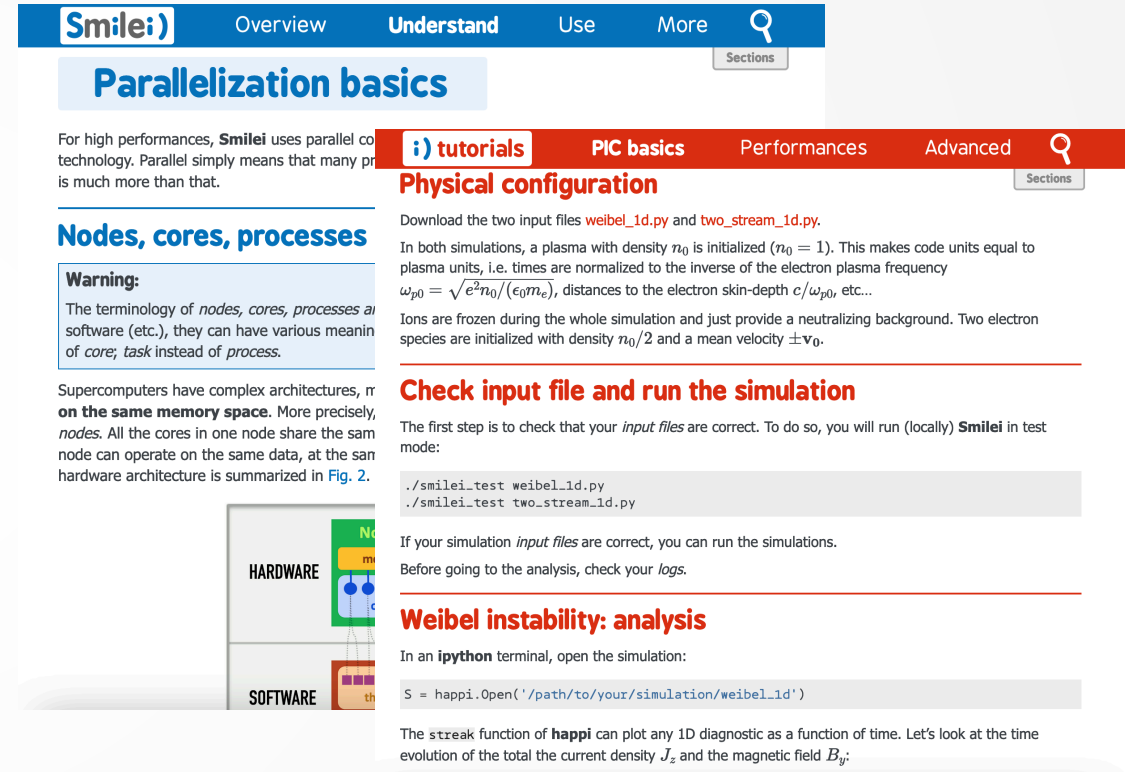
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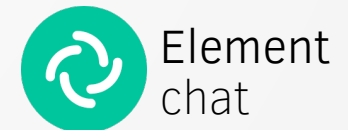
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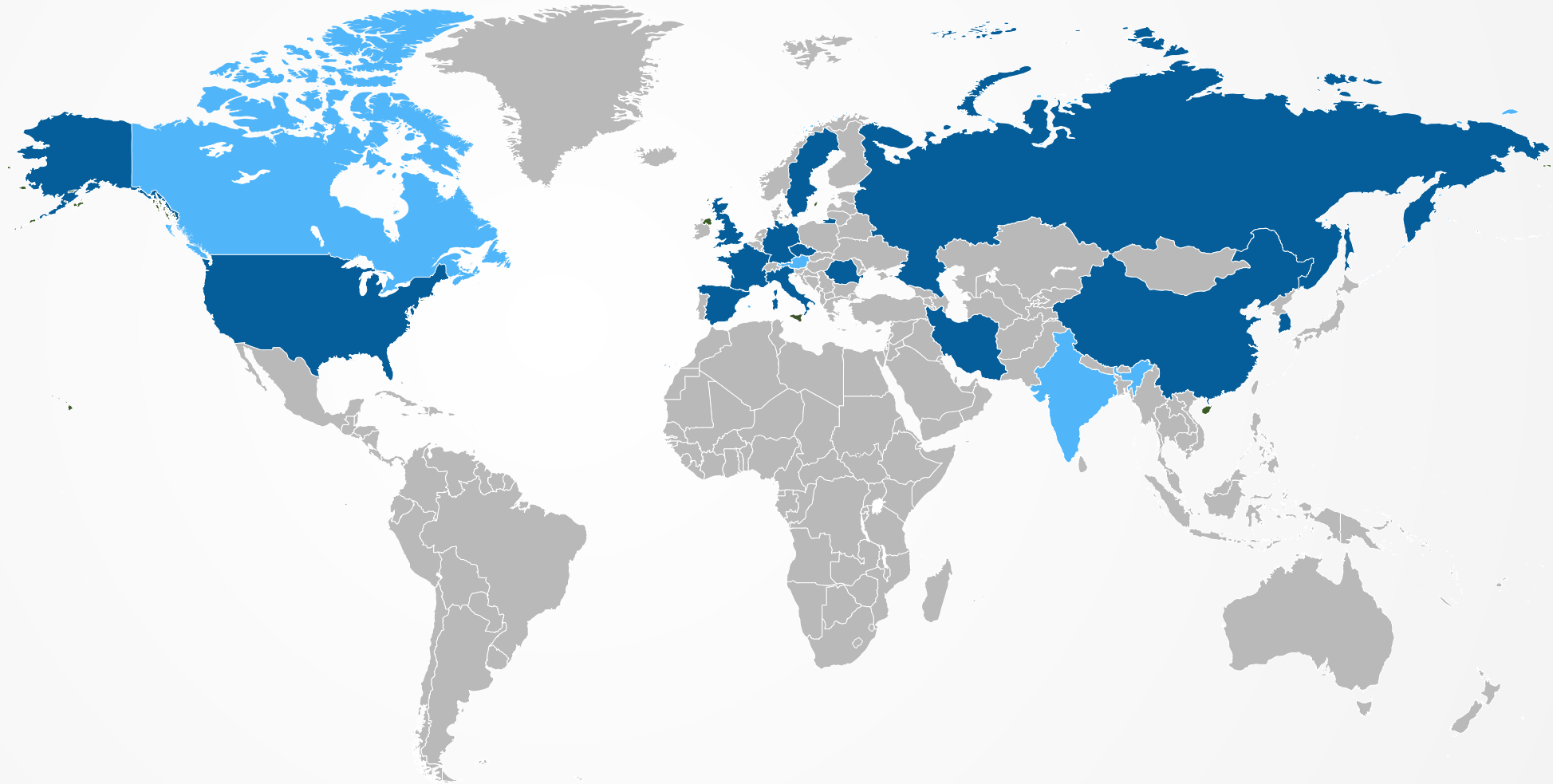
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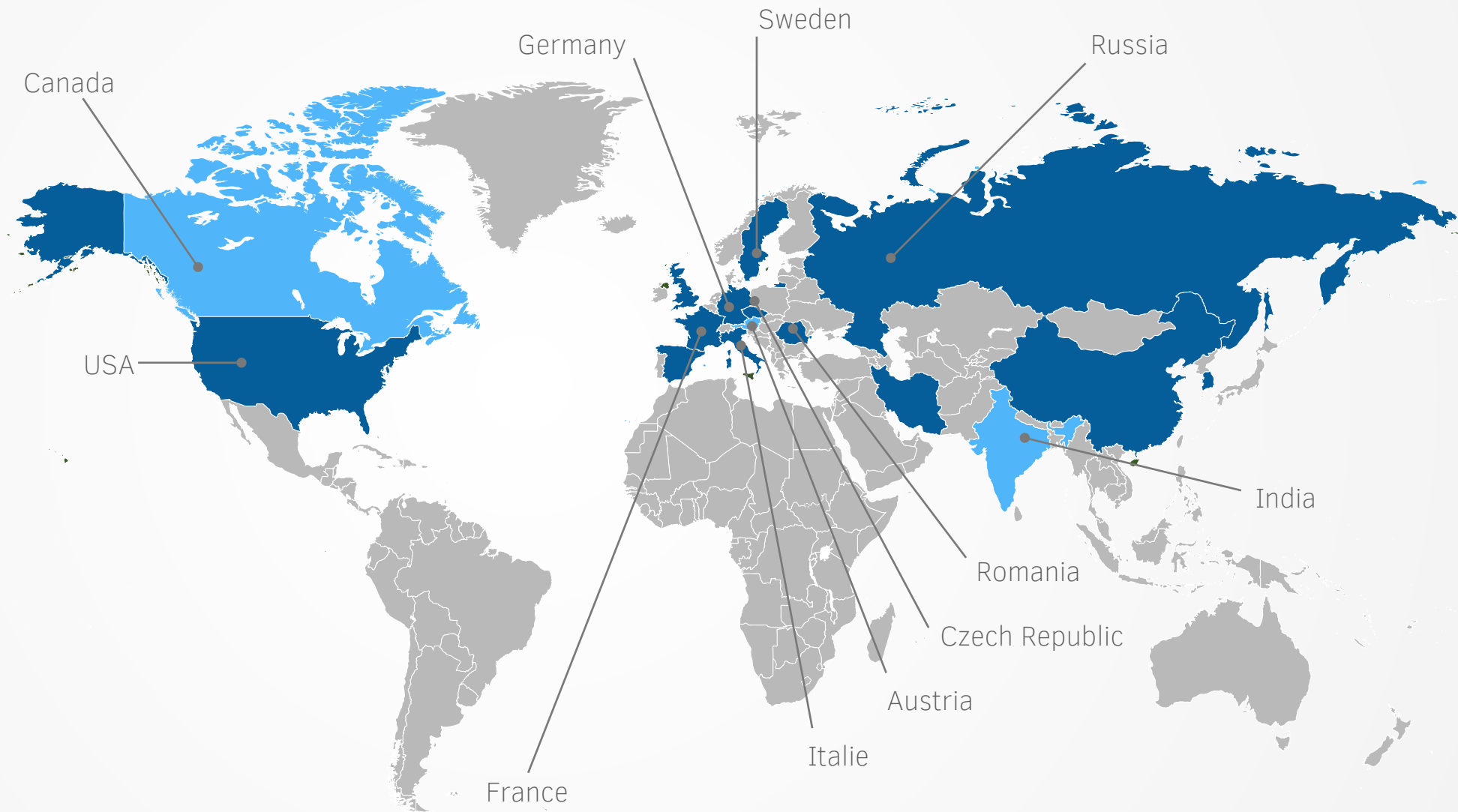
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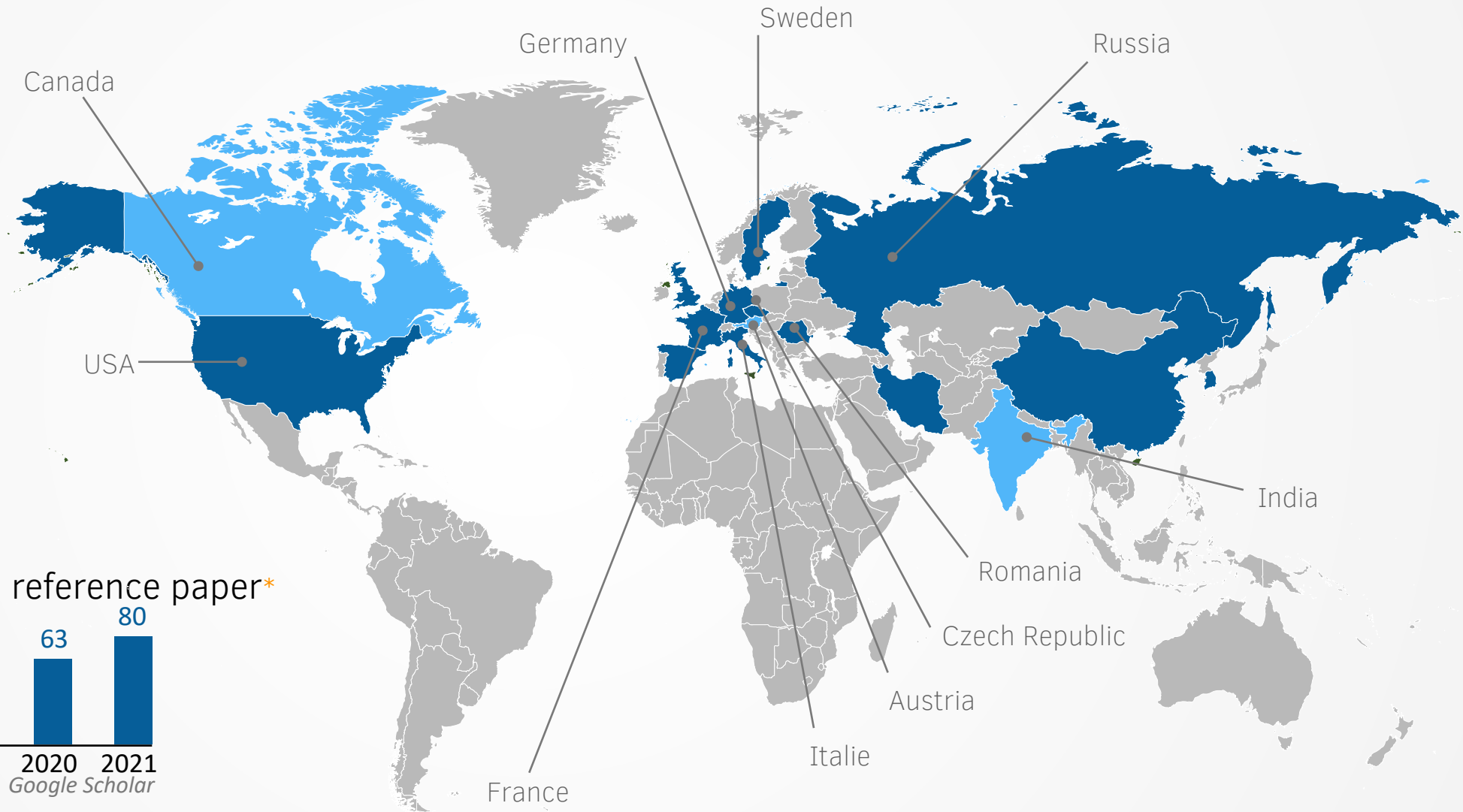
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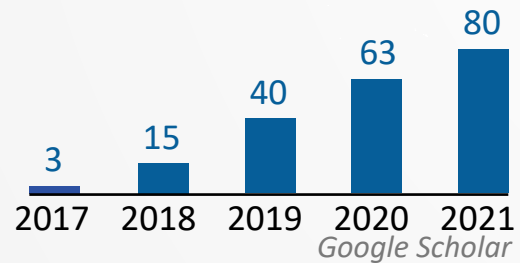
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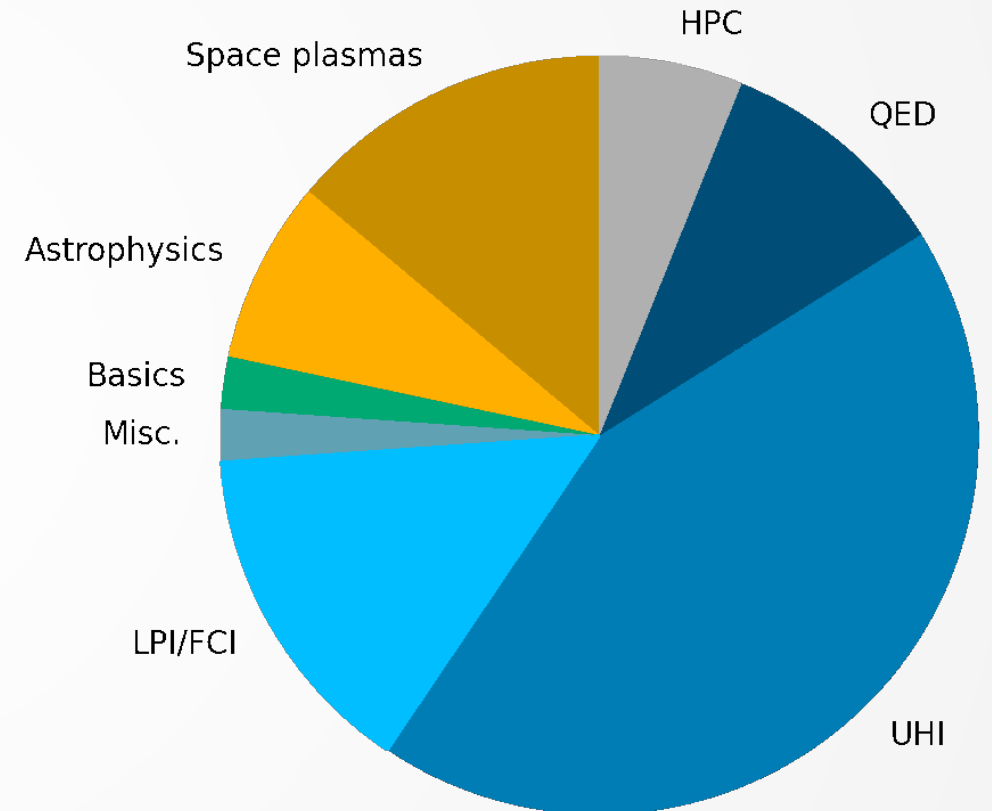
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... and focuses on various applications

LPI/FCI : laser-plasma interaction / inertial confinement fusion
UHI : Ultra-high intensity
QED : Quantum electrodynamics (extreme light)
HPC : high-performance computing
Space plasmas & astrophysics



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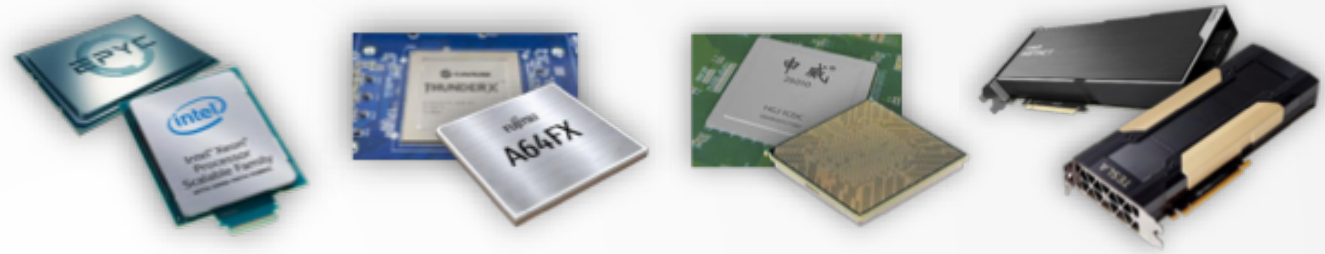
Teaching plasma physics

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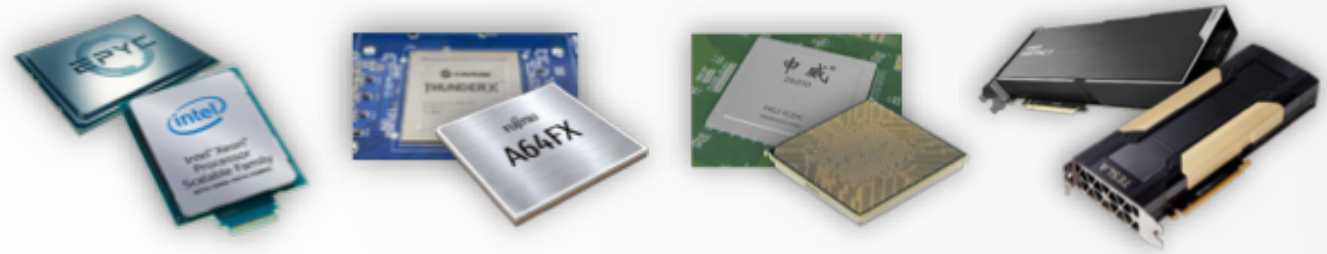
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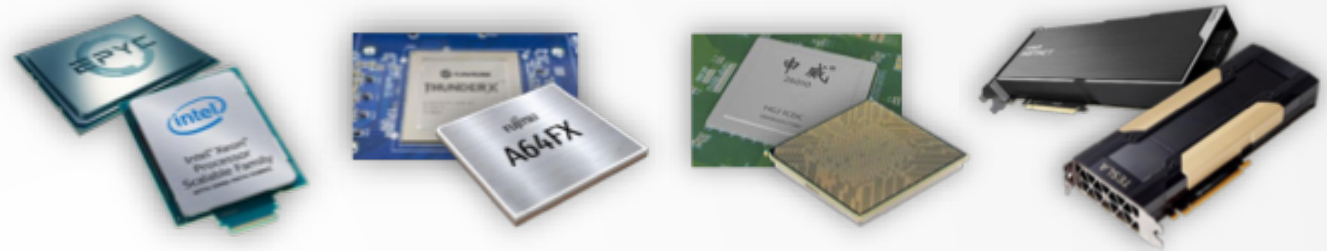


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Keep on building & animating the user community

- encouraging new developers to join in (Table ronde, Friday 14h00)
- developing an online teaching platform (Arianna's talk this morning)
- preparing next user & training workshop !



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