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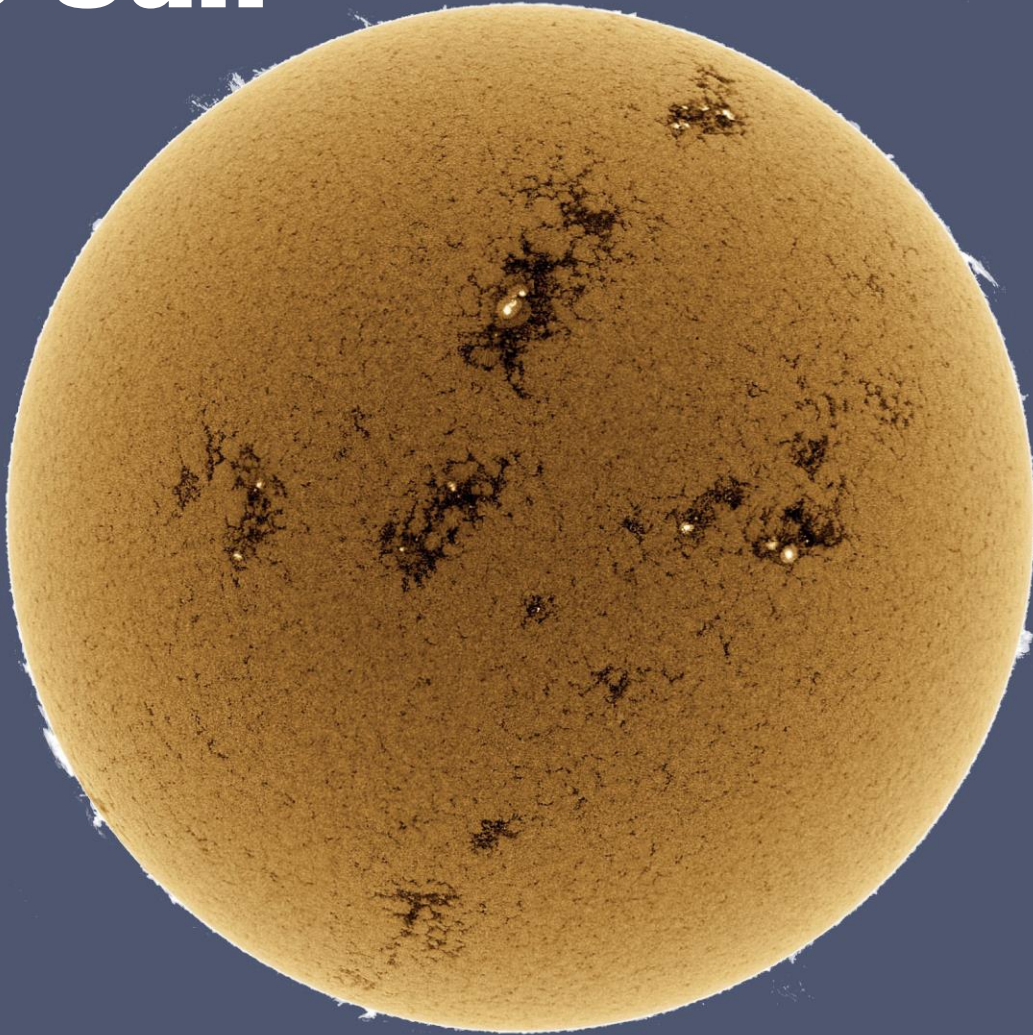
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The Sun



The solar fusion cycle....

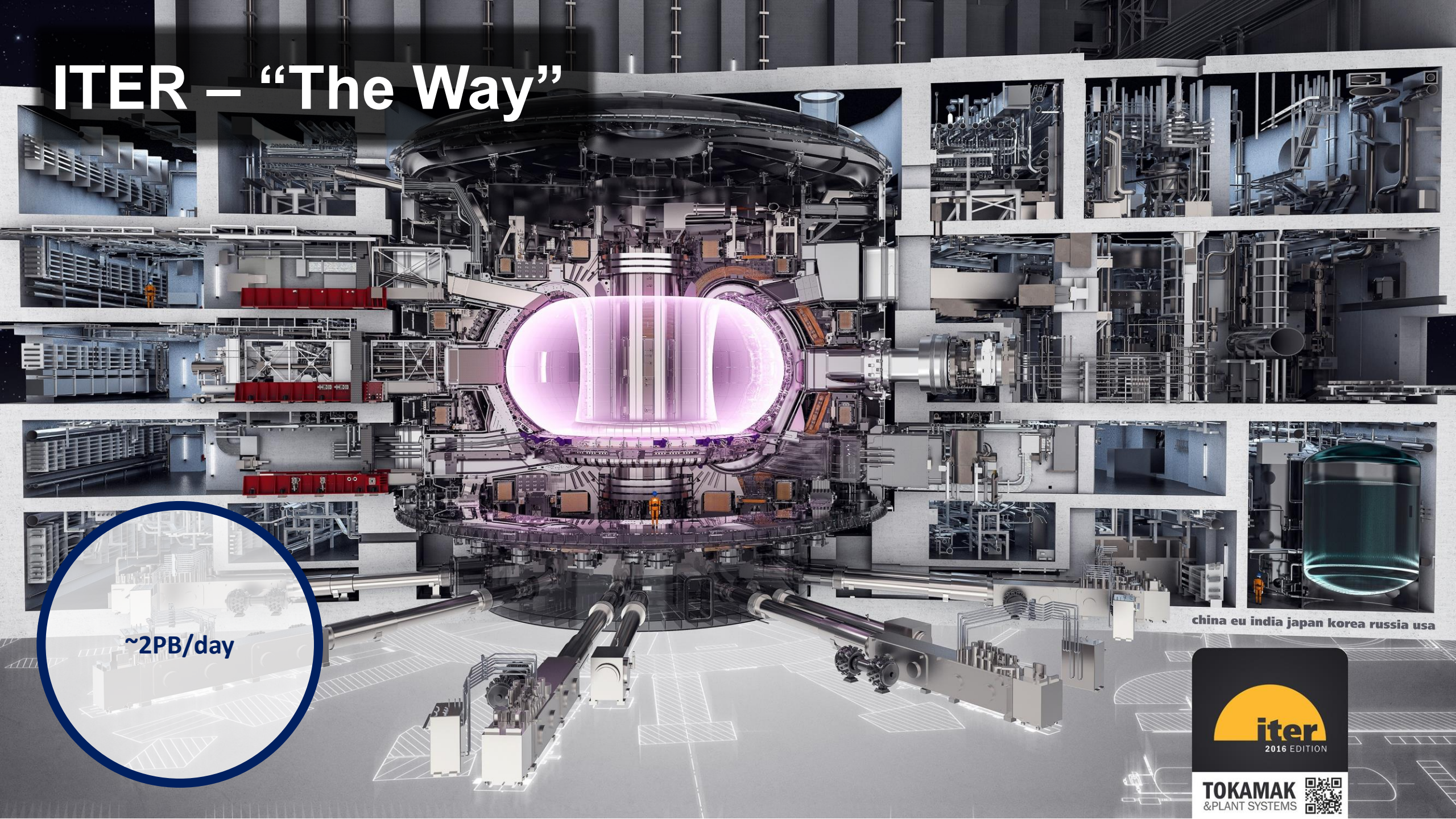




CCFE hosts JET, the Joint European Torus (16MW DT fusion achieved)

~0.5PB data in
35 years, now
~1TB/day

ITER – “The Way”



~2PB/day

china eu india japan korea russia usa



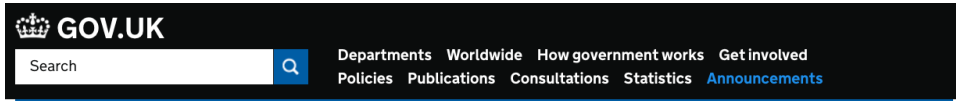
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**ITER nuclear fusion project reaches key
halfway milestone** – The Guardian, Wednesday 6 December 2017

National Fusion Technology Platform (NFTP)



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Press release

£86 million boost for UK nuclear fusion programme

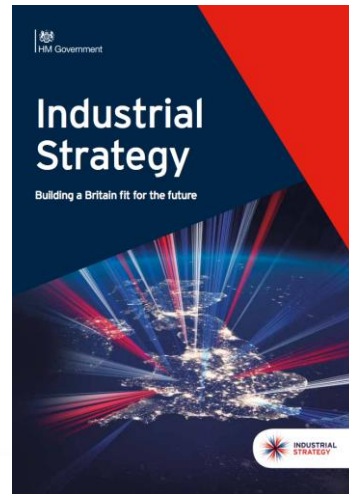
UKAEA secures Industrial Strategy funding for fusion research

Published 7 December 2017
From: [UK Atomic Energy Authority](#)



Fusion Technology research

An £86 million Government investment in the UK Atomic Energy Authority's (UKAEA's) nuclear fusion research programme at Culham Science Centre has today been announced. This investment will fund the building and operation of a National Fusion Technology Platform at Culham, expected to open in 2020.



BEIS investment of £86M over next 3.5 years

Specific aims:

- Maximise commercial income from ITER (~ £1-1.9B worth of contracts to UK industry);
- Safeguard key fusion skills and experience during a period of significant uncertainty by securing a long-term future for world-class scientists and engineers currently at JET;
- Ensure the UK maintains its position as a world leader in fusion technology in the long-term and position it to exploit any fusion reactor design economy in the future.

The National Fusion Technology Platform comprises two new centres of excellence:

Hydrogen-3 Advanced Technology (H3AT) will research how to process and store tritium, one of the fuels that will power commercial fusion reactors;

Fusion Technology Facilities (FTF) will carry out thermal, mechanical, hydraulic and electromagnetic tests on prototype components under the conditions experienced inside fusion reactors.

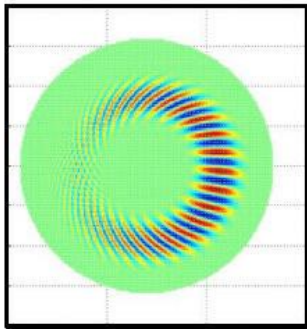


.....to expedite the delivery of commercial Fusion power by exploiting advances in Big Data and Extreme Scale Computing (BDEC).....



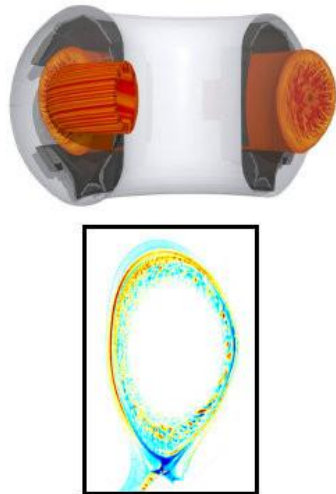
UKAEA Advanced Computing Programme

Old way: Exascale a panacea



Gigaflops

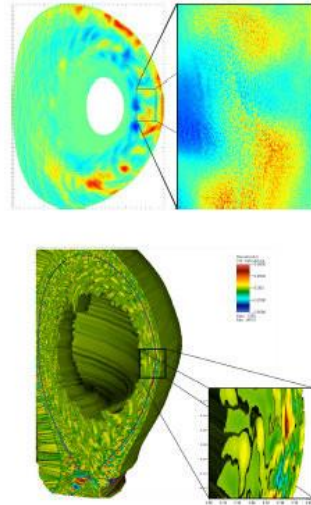
Core: ion-scale electrostatic physics in simplified geometry



Teraflops

Core: adding kinetic electron electromagnetic physics in a torus

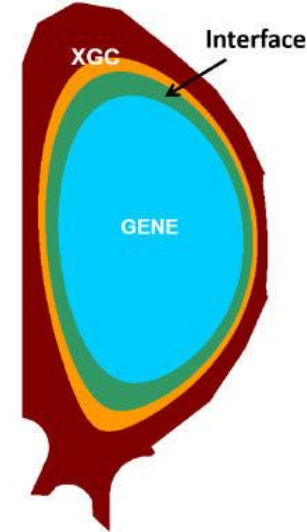
Edge: ion + neutral electrostatic physics in a torus



Petaflops

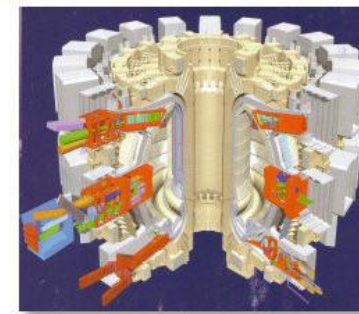
Core: adding electron scale physics

Edge: adding kinetic electron electrostatic physics



Exaflops

Core-edge coupled studies of whole device ITER, incl. turbulence, MHD instability, fast particles, heating and plasma wall interactions

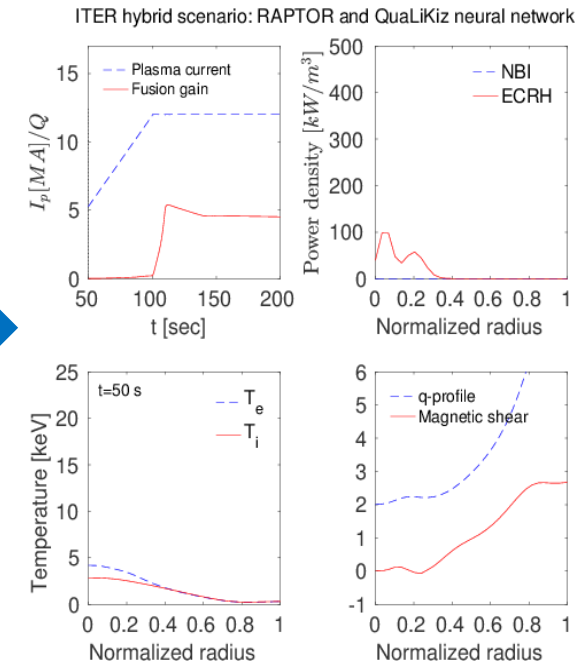
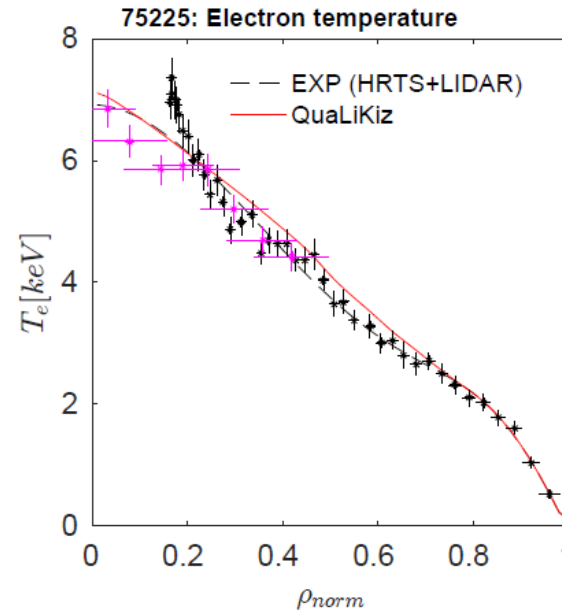
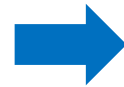
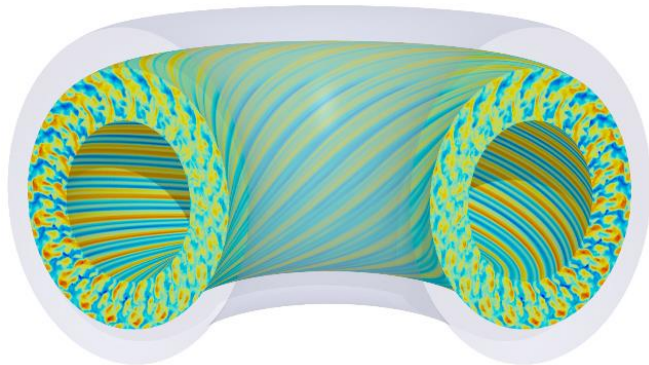


Beyond

Whole device modelling of all relevant fusion science and engineering

New way: Multi-Fidelity modelling

(J. Citrin, DIFFER, EFPW 2017)



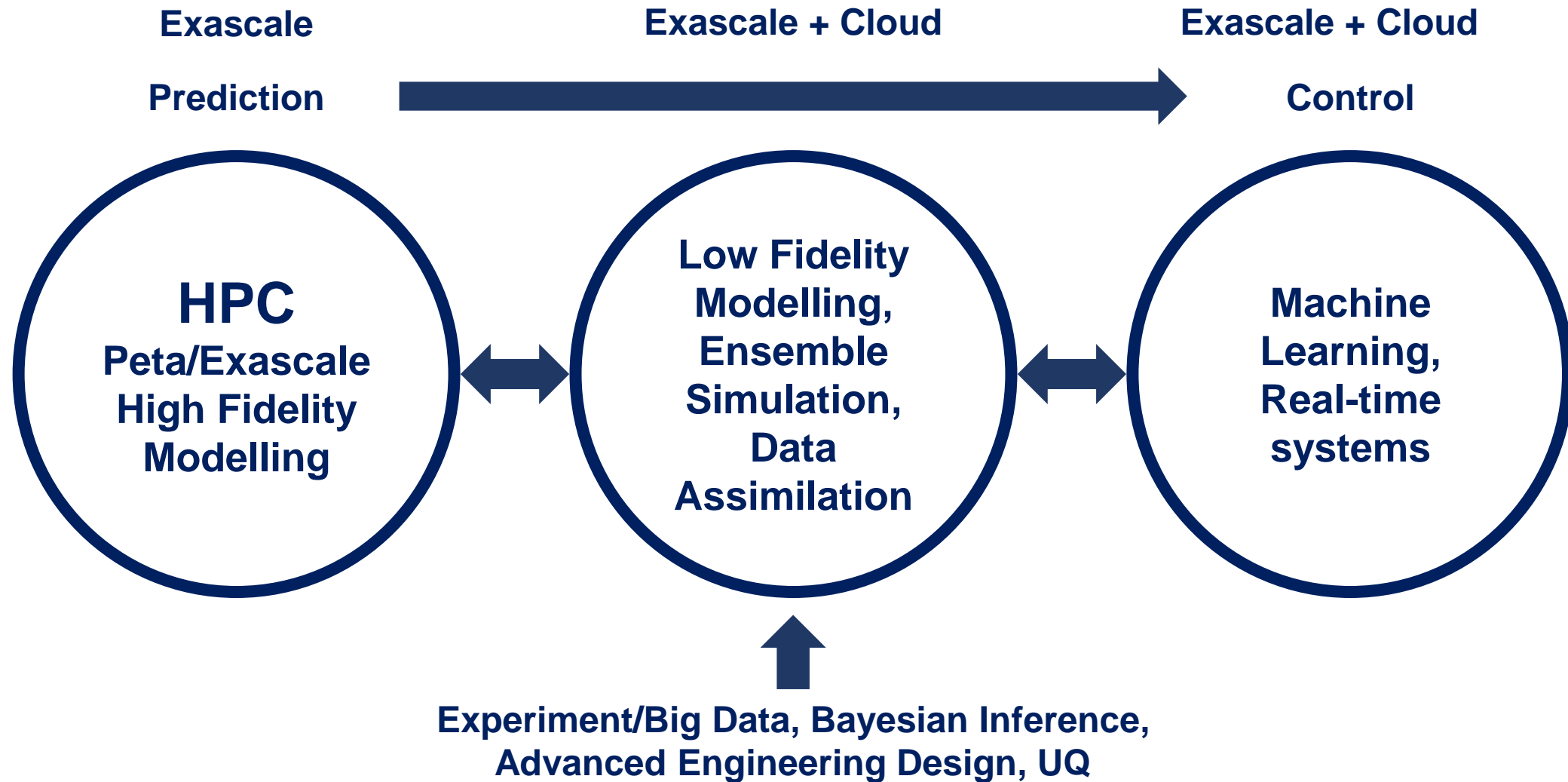
“Golden standard”, e.g., with local δf nonlinear gyrokinetics (e.g. GENE)
10⁸ CPUh for 1s JET-scale profile evolution

Reduced model, e.g. QuaLiKiz (Bourdelle PoP '07).
10² CPU hours for 1s JET-scale profile evolution

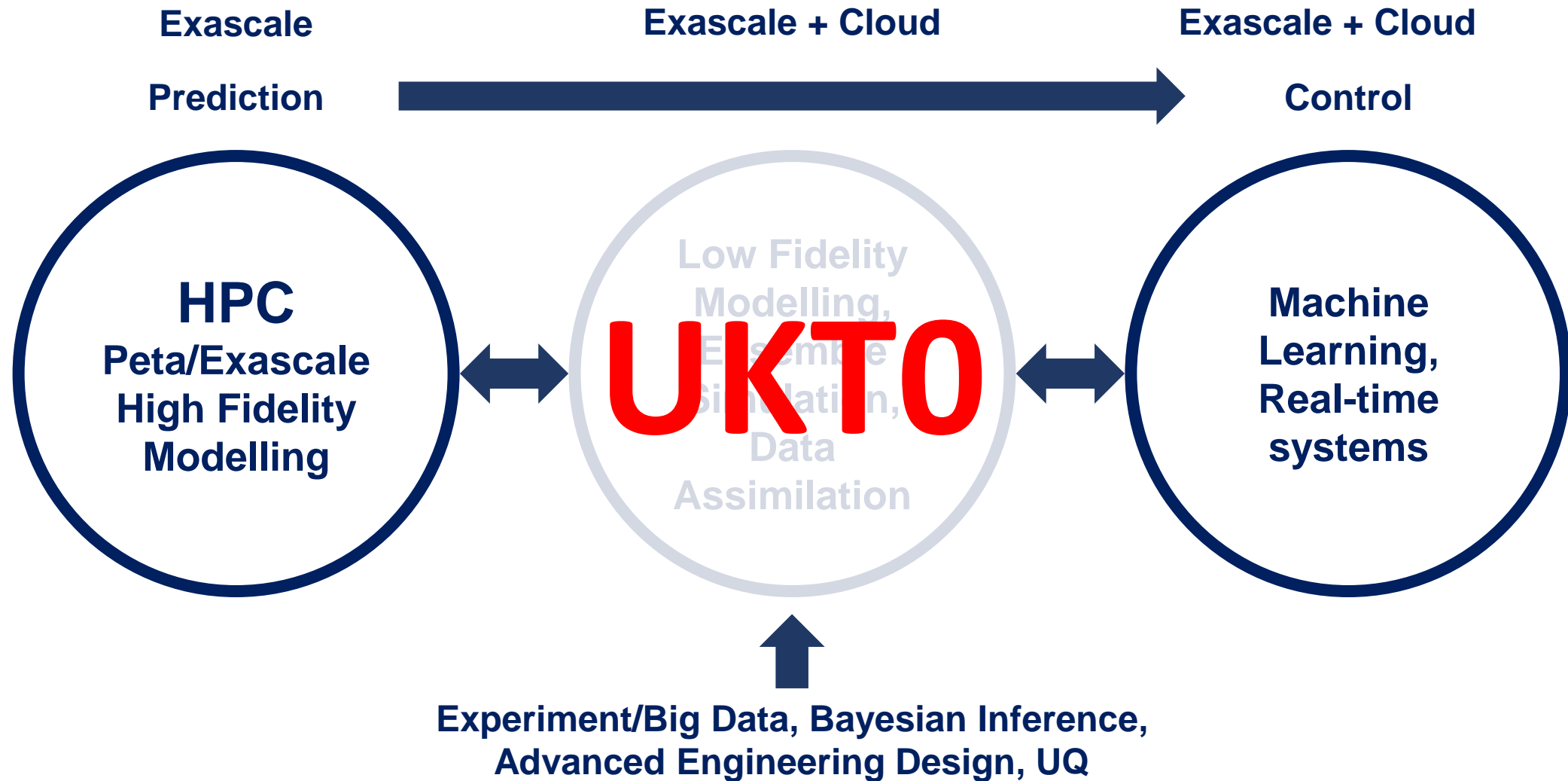
Realtime capability.
 Neural Network emulation technique.
Real-time capable!

Connects: HPC + Experiments + Data Science + ML Expertise

Multi-Fidelity Modelling + Expt.



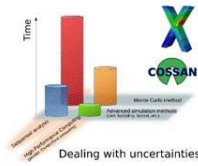
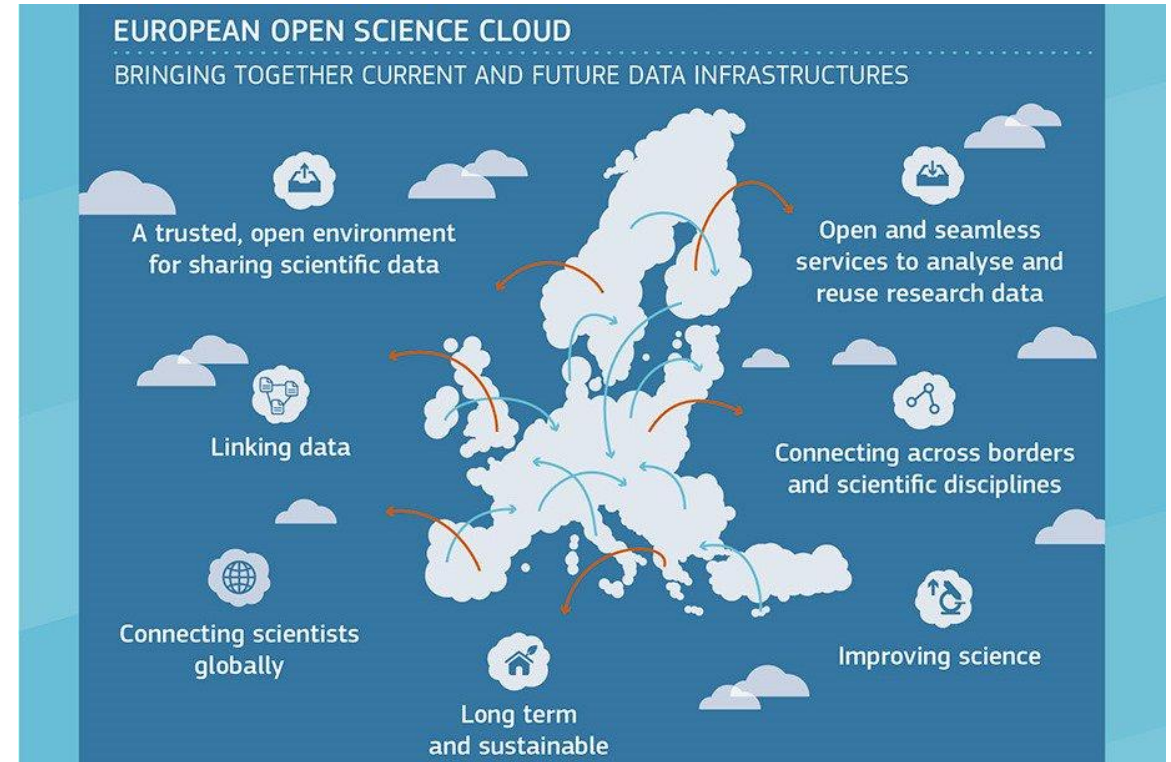
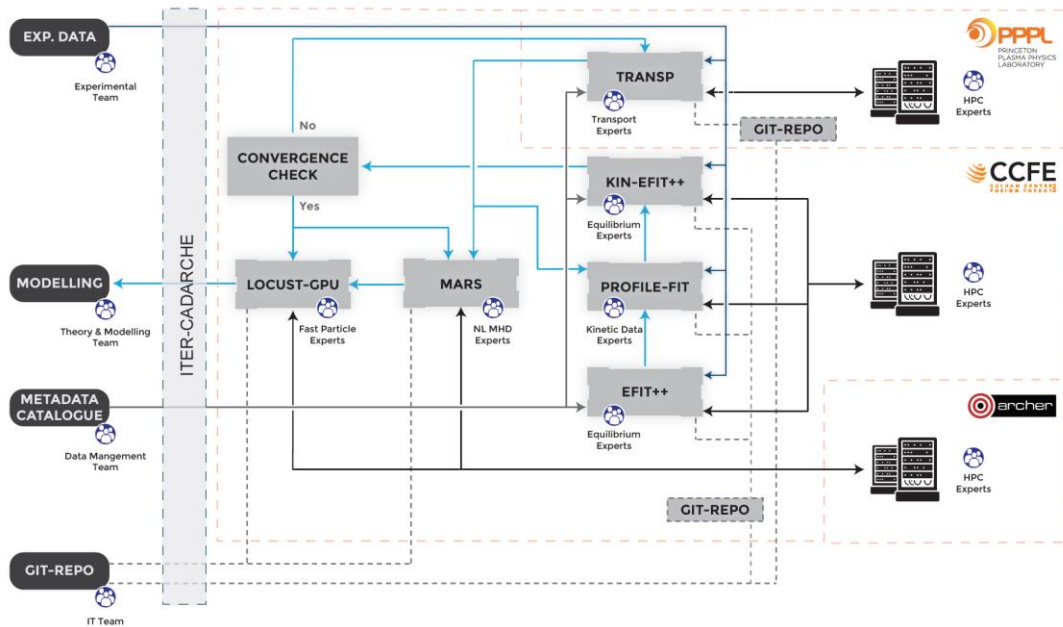
Multi-Fidelity Modelling + Expt.



Low Fidelity modeling/data environment

Data analytics, Big Data, Ensemble simulations, UQ

This is where “the meat” of our work resides



“Softening” our compute “ceiling”

 Hewlett Packard Enterprise

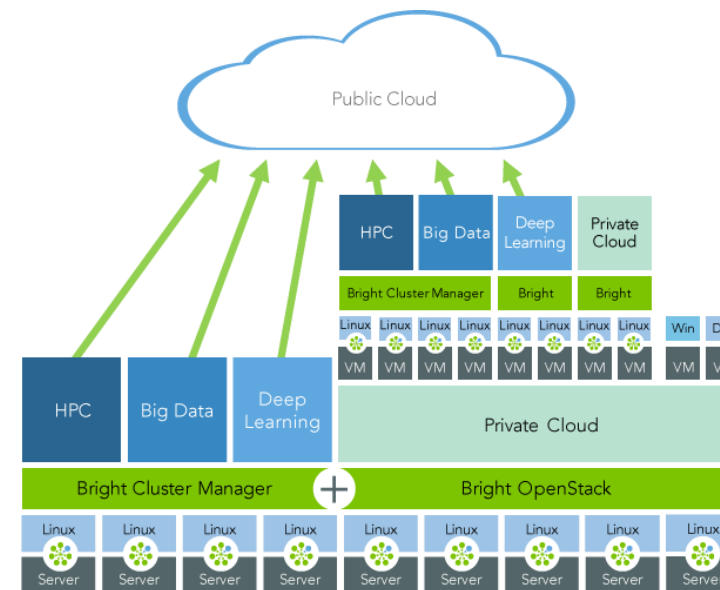


Data centre opened by SGI/HPE CTO Eng Lim Goh, Spring 2017

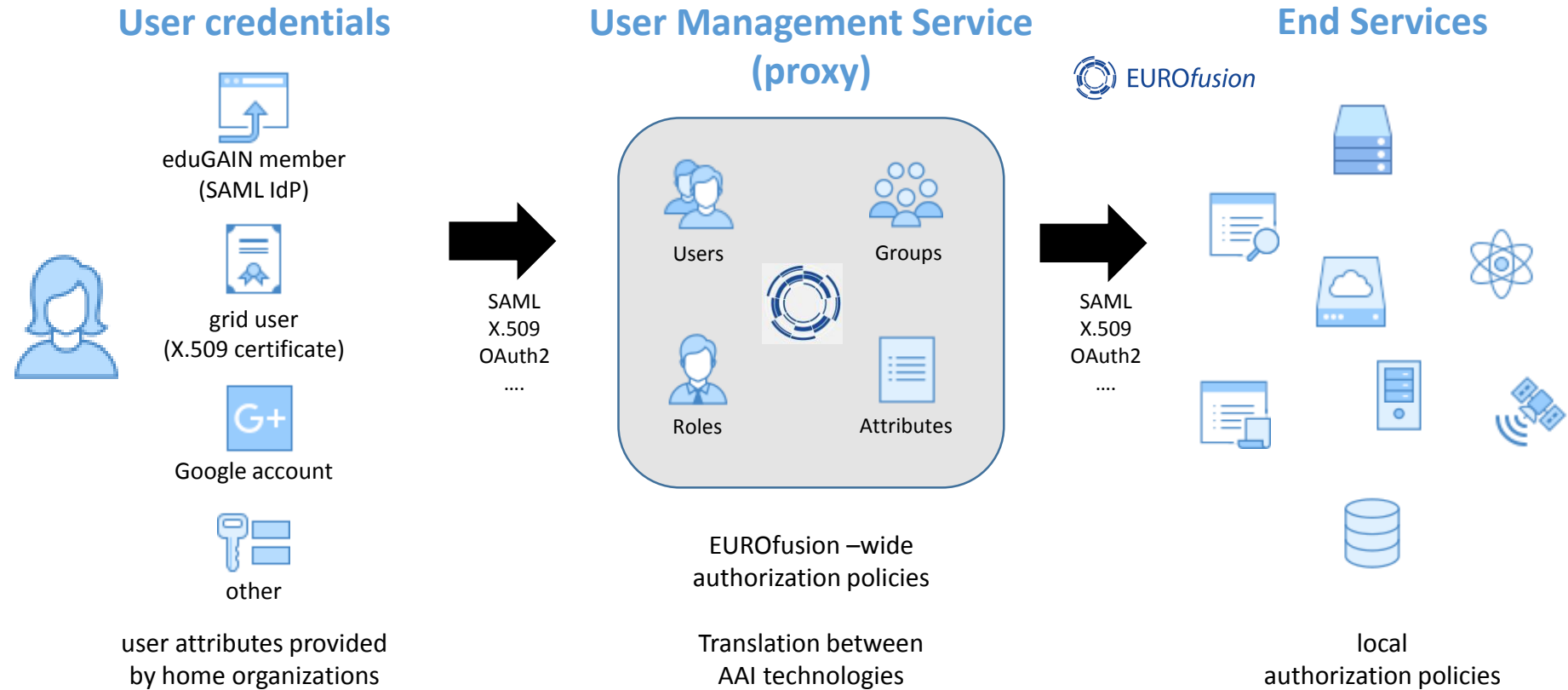


1st two racks at Chippewa Falls

EOSC Pilot: PROMINENCE



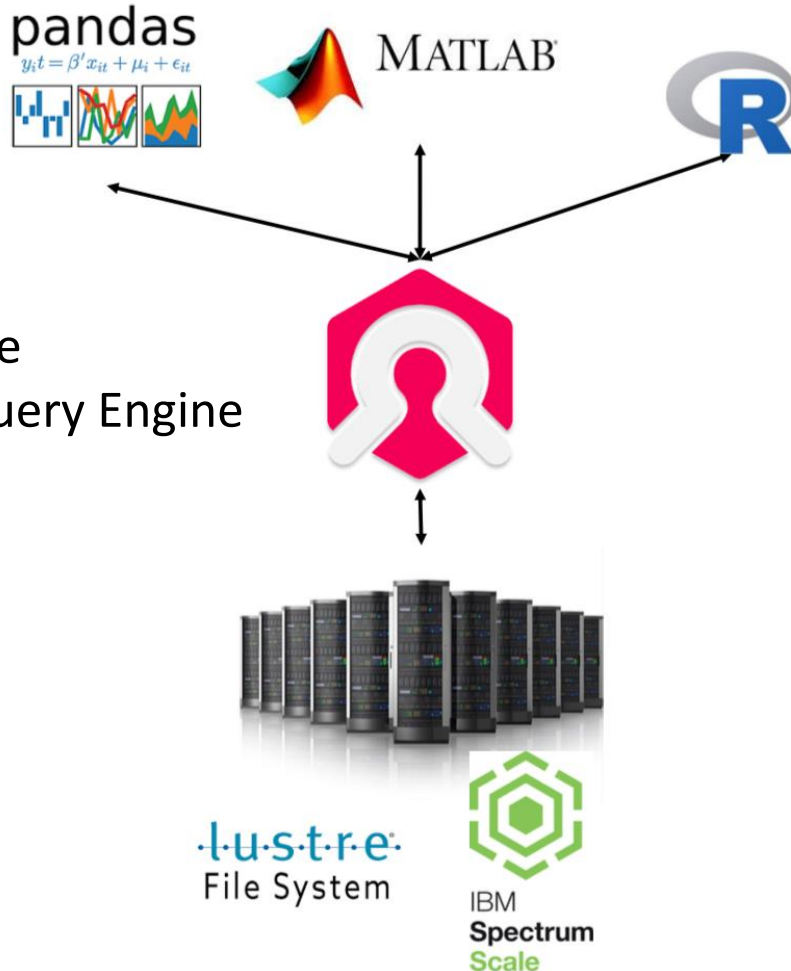
Eurofusion AAI Study



Example HPDA project: NoDB



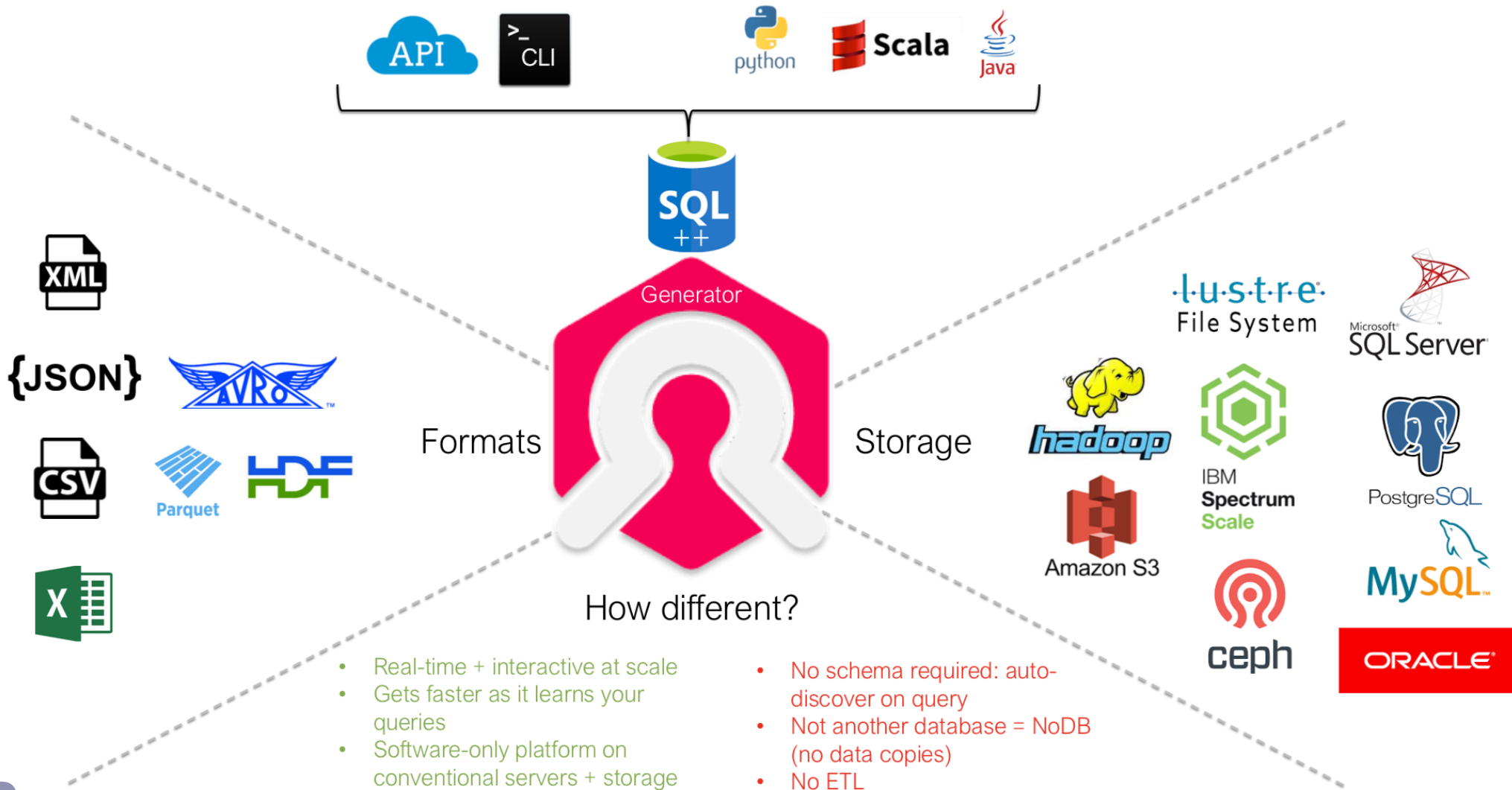
Use Case: “Database” for Piles of Files



Echo: Smart Cache
Coro: Adaptive Query Engine

- Creates the “appearance” of a database without any ingestion or ETL of data
- Query initiated through number of user languages and tools concurrently
- Particularly useful in scientific domains to bring commercial Big Data tools + frameworks to large datasets (e.g. experimental and observational)

HDF NoDB: High-Performance Engine for Ad Hoc Analysis



Summary

Qu: What is the UK Fusion community asking for?

**Ans: Joined up Infrastructure + Software + Expertise + Collaboration
with common Interfaces and transparent Access**

