

Simulations of Laser Plasma Interaction

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Theoretical Prerequisites

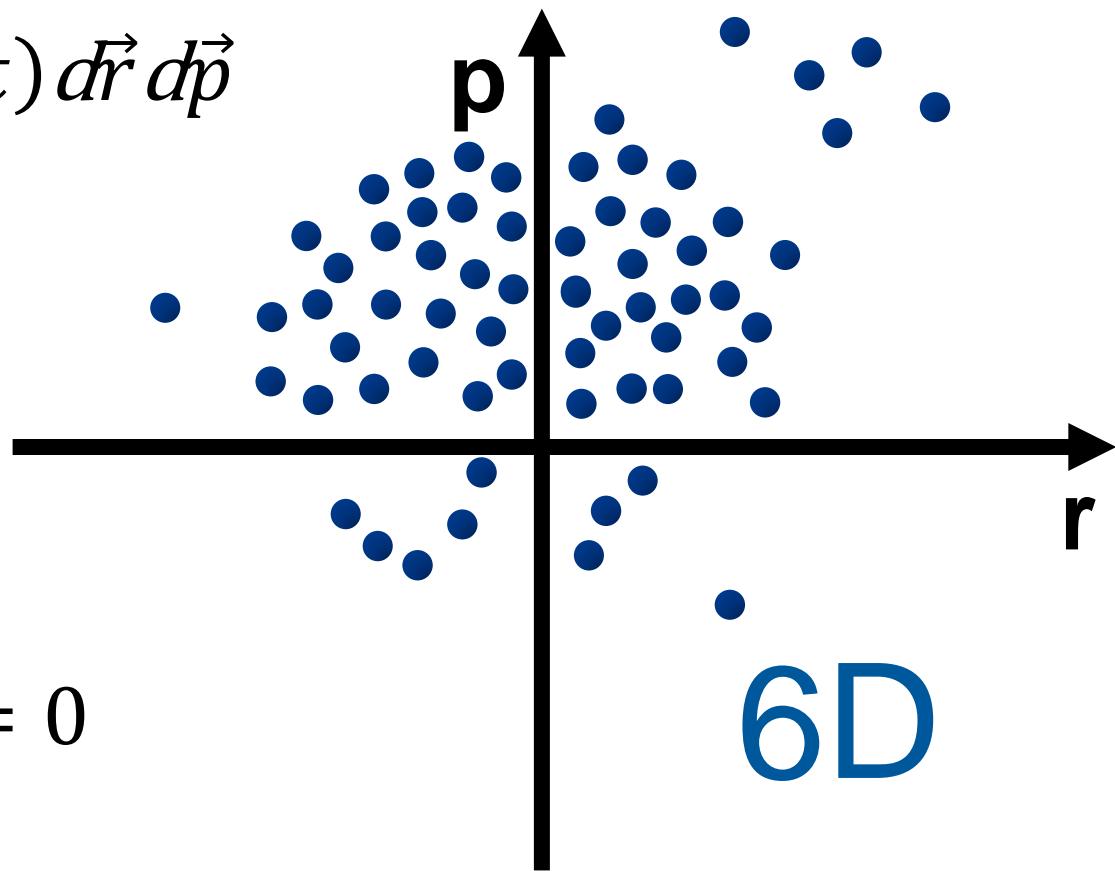
$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{p} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_f$$
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$$+ \frac{\vec{p}_e}{m_e} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{f_e} + \vec{F} \cdot \frac{df_e}{d\vec{p}_e} = 0$$

Collisionless Boltzmann Equation

$$dN = f(\vec{r}(t), \vec{p}(t), t) d\vec{r} d\vec{p}$$

f is the phase space
density at time **t**

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right|_{collisions} = 0$$



The Vlasov Equations for a collisionless multi-species plasma

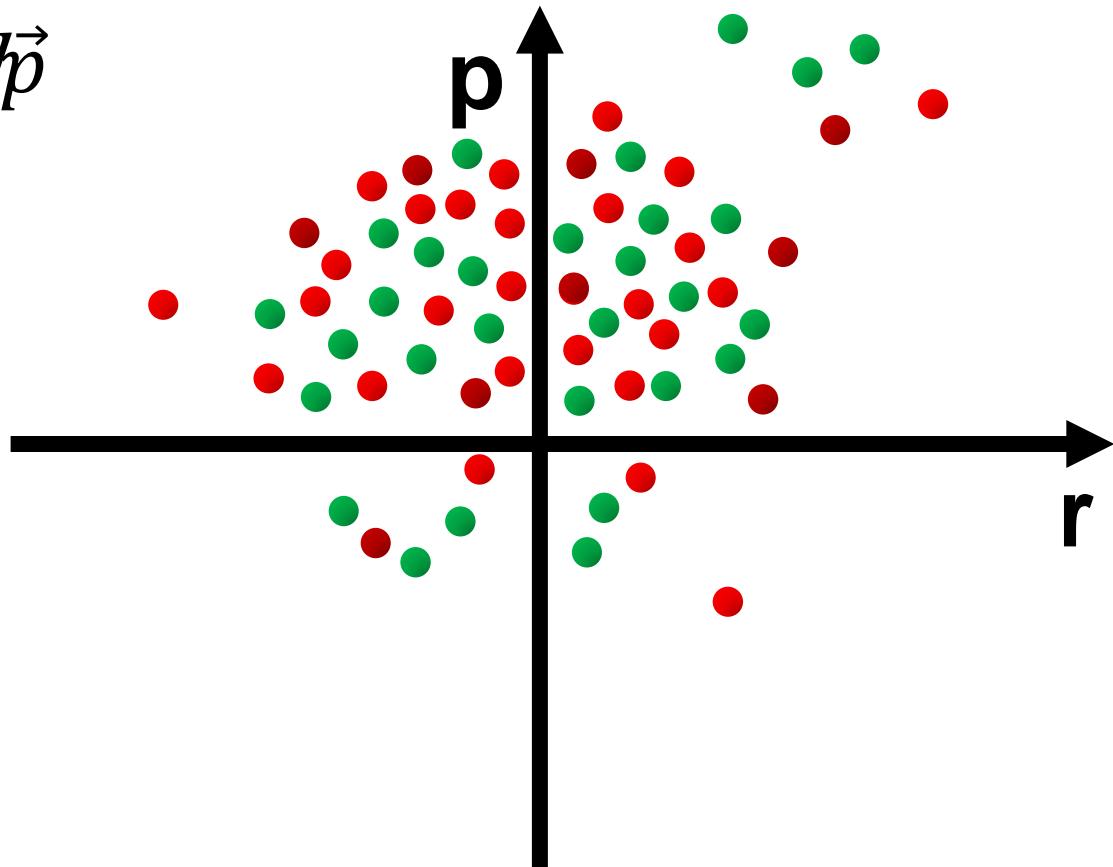
$$dN_{i(s,z)} = f_{i(s,z)} d\vec{r} d\vec{p}$$

$$dN_e = f_e d\vec{r} d\vec{p}$$

$$\frac{df_{i(s,z)}}{dt} = 0 \quad \forall i(s, z)$$

$$\frac{df_e}{dt} = 0$$

$$\rho(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_s \sum_z \int e(Z_{s,z} f_{i(s,z)} - f_e) d\vec{p}$$



The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations – What are the forces?

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} f + \vec{F} \cdot \frac{df}{d\vec{p}} = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{f}_i(s,z)}{dt} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_i(s,z)}{\partial t} + \vec{v}_{i(s,z)} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \mathbf{f}_i(s,z) + \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{f}_i(s,z)}{d\vec{p}_{i(s,z)}} = 0$$

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The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations – The Lorentz force

$$\vec{F}_{i(s,z)} = Z_{i(s,z)} e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}_{i(s,z)}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

$$\vec{F}_e = - e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}_e}{c} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

$$\vec{v}_x = \frac{\vec{p}_x}{\gamma_x m_x} = \frac{\vec{p}_x}{\sqrt{m_x^2 + \left(\frac{\vec{p}_x}{c}\right)^2}}, x \in \{i(s,z), e\}$$

The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations – Fields mediate interactions

$$\vec{F}_x = Z_x e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}_x}{c} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \left(4\pi \vec{j} + \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \right) \quad \text{Ampere's Law}$$

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The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations – Currents created by plasma

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The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations Cheat Sheet

$$\frac{d\mathbf{f}_{i(s,z)}}{dt} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{i(s,z)}}{\partial t} + \vec{v}_{i(s,z)} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \mathbf{f}_{i(s,z)} + \vec{F}_{i(s,z)} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{f}_{i(s,z)}}{d\vec{p}_{i(s,z)}} = 0 \quad \vec{F}_{i(s,z)} = Z_{i(s,z)} e \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v}_{i(s,z)}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

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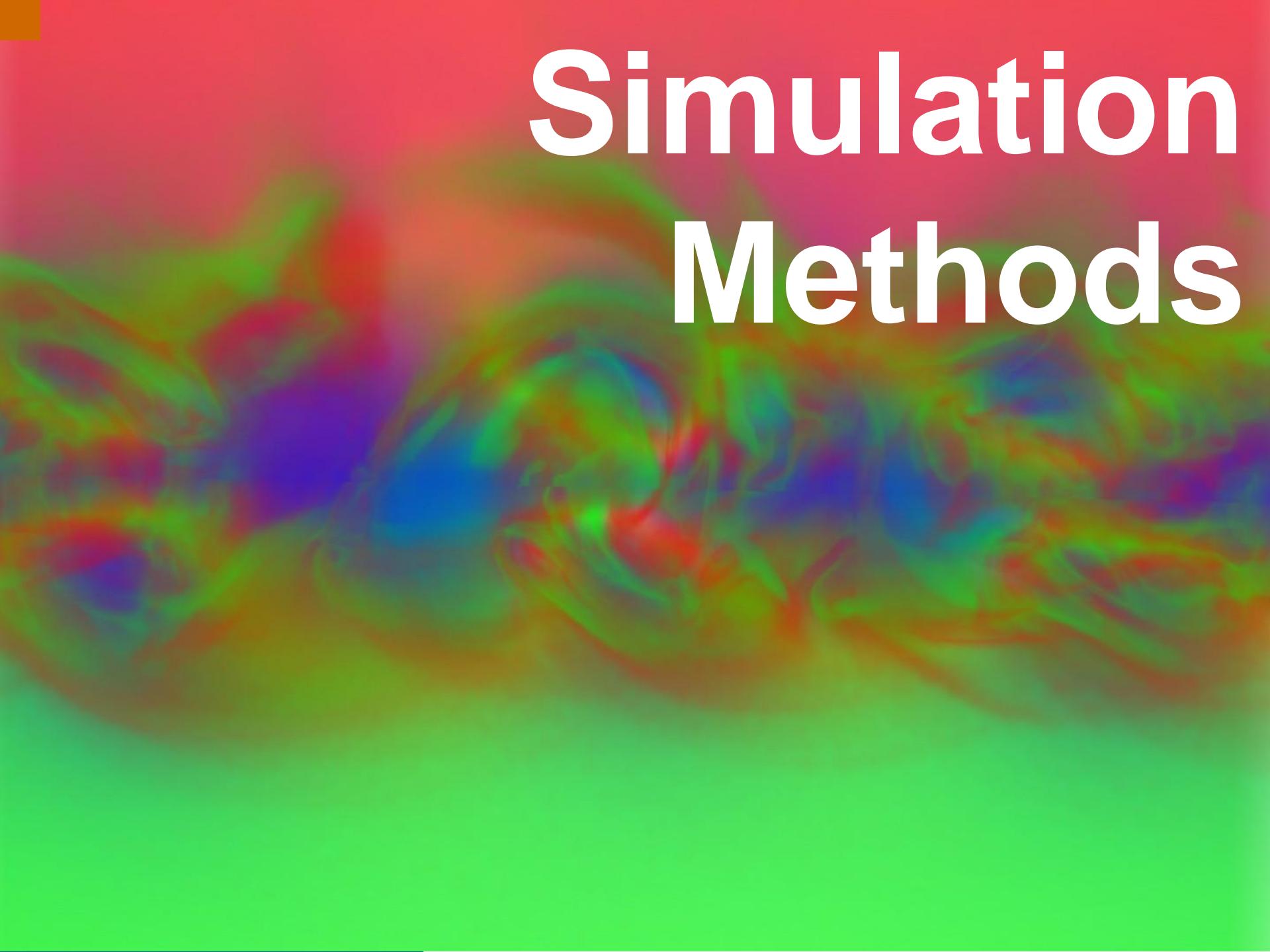
The Vlasov-Maxwell Equations

- Phase space density is conserved for every species
- Electric and magnetic fields mediate interaction
- Close-range interactions neglected
- Current densities and charge densities change fields

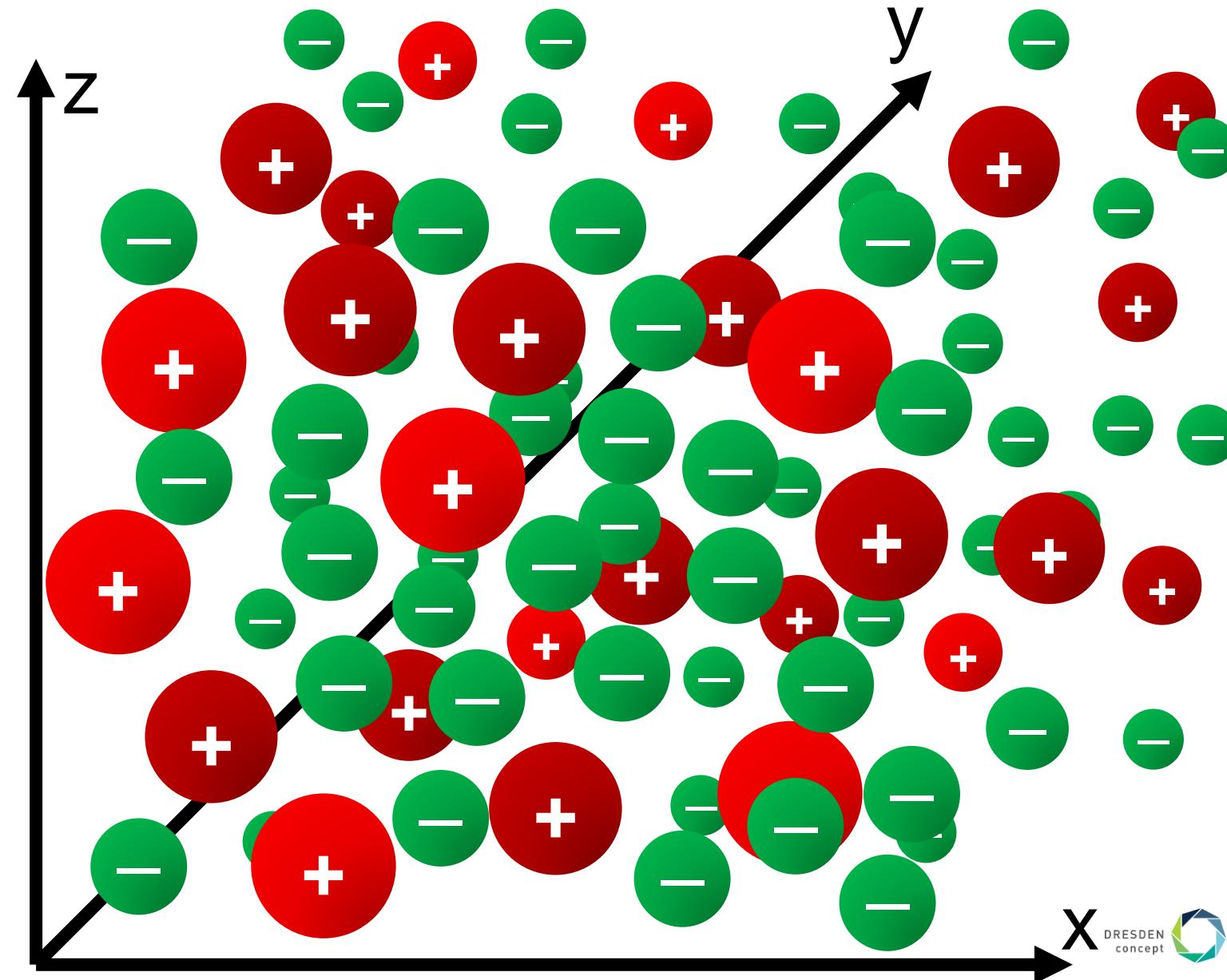
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„Vlasov-Maxwell Equations“	A. A. Vlasov, <i>The Vibrational Properties of an Electron Gas</i> , Soviet Physics Uspekhi. 10(6), 721, 1968

Simulation Methods



Methods to „probe“ the Vlasov-Maxwell Equations – Going „3D“

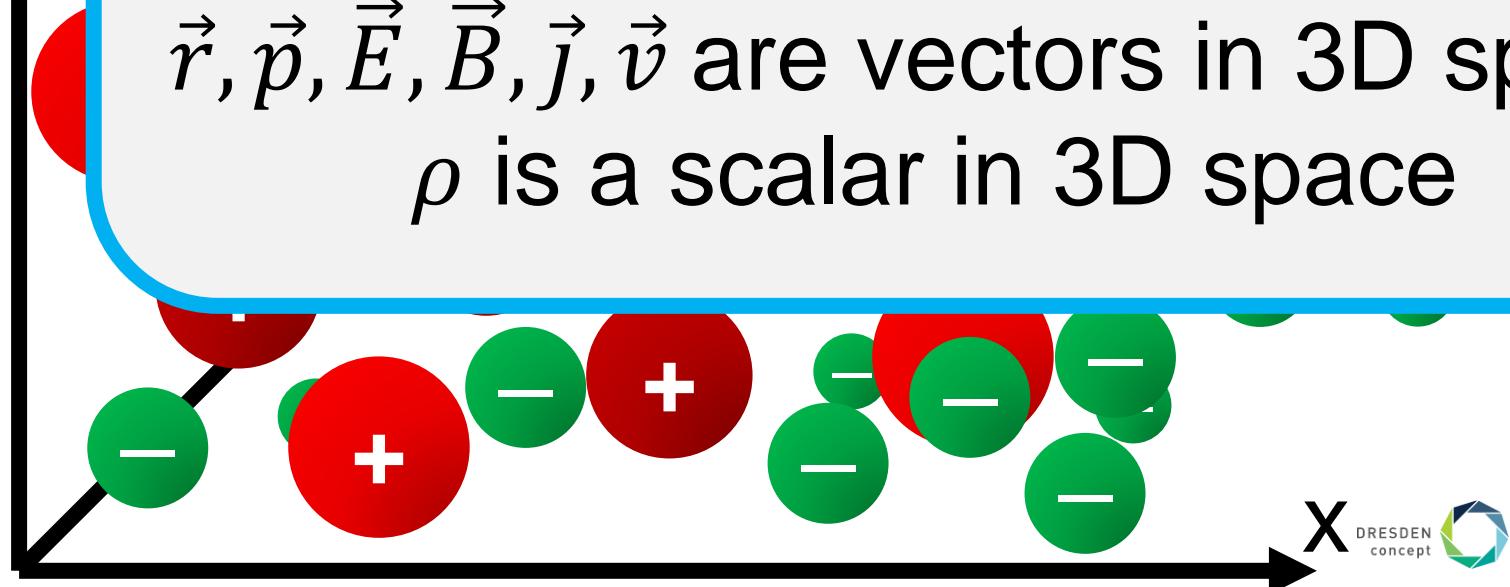


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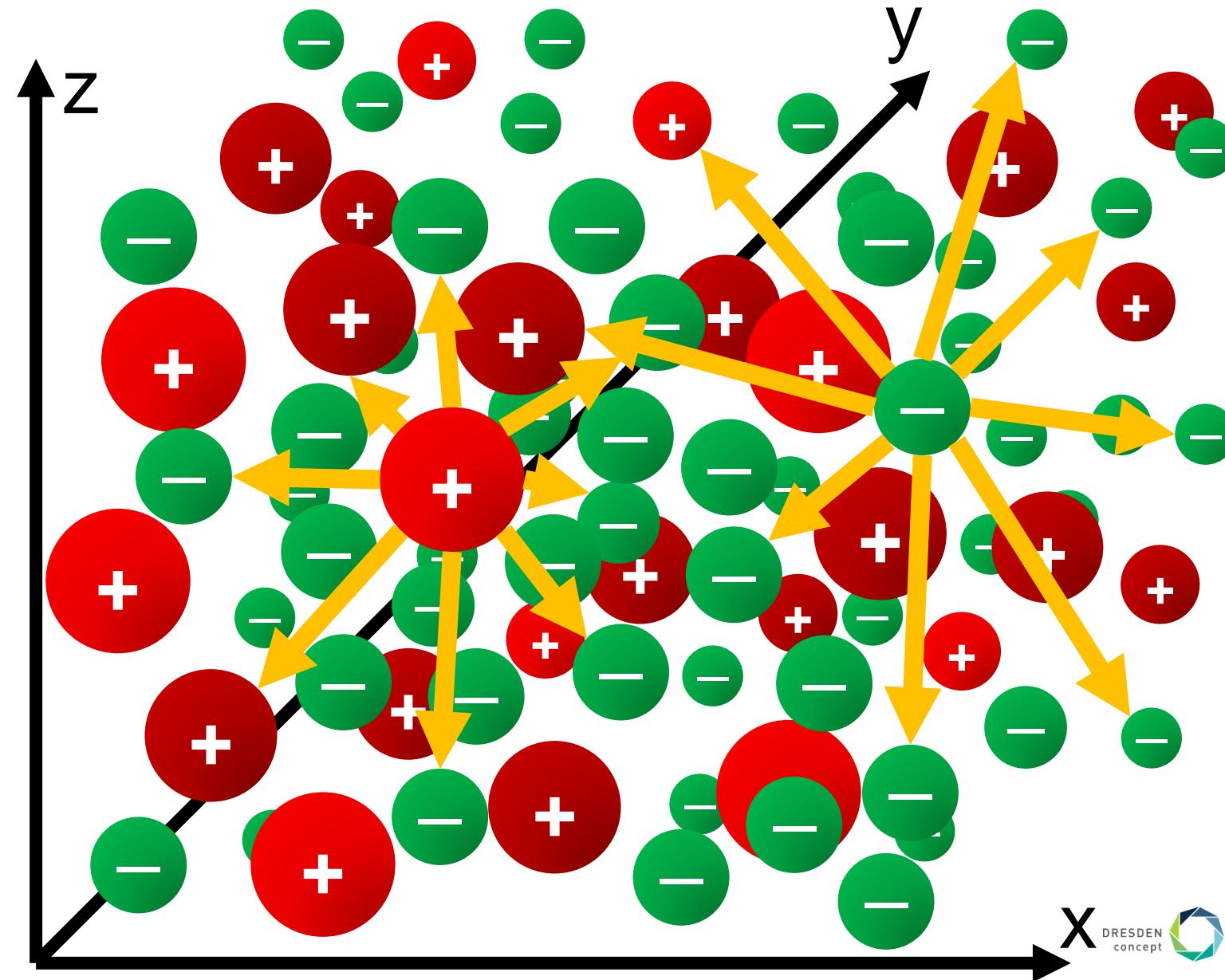


Dimensional reduction is possible and sensible

$\vec{r}, \vec{p}, \vec{E}, \vec{B}, \vec{j}, \vec{v}$ are vectors in 3D space
 ρ is a scalar in 3D space



Molecular Dynamics for probing the Vlasov-Maxwell-Equations



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Pro:

All interactions included

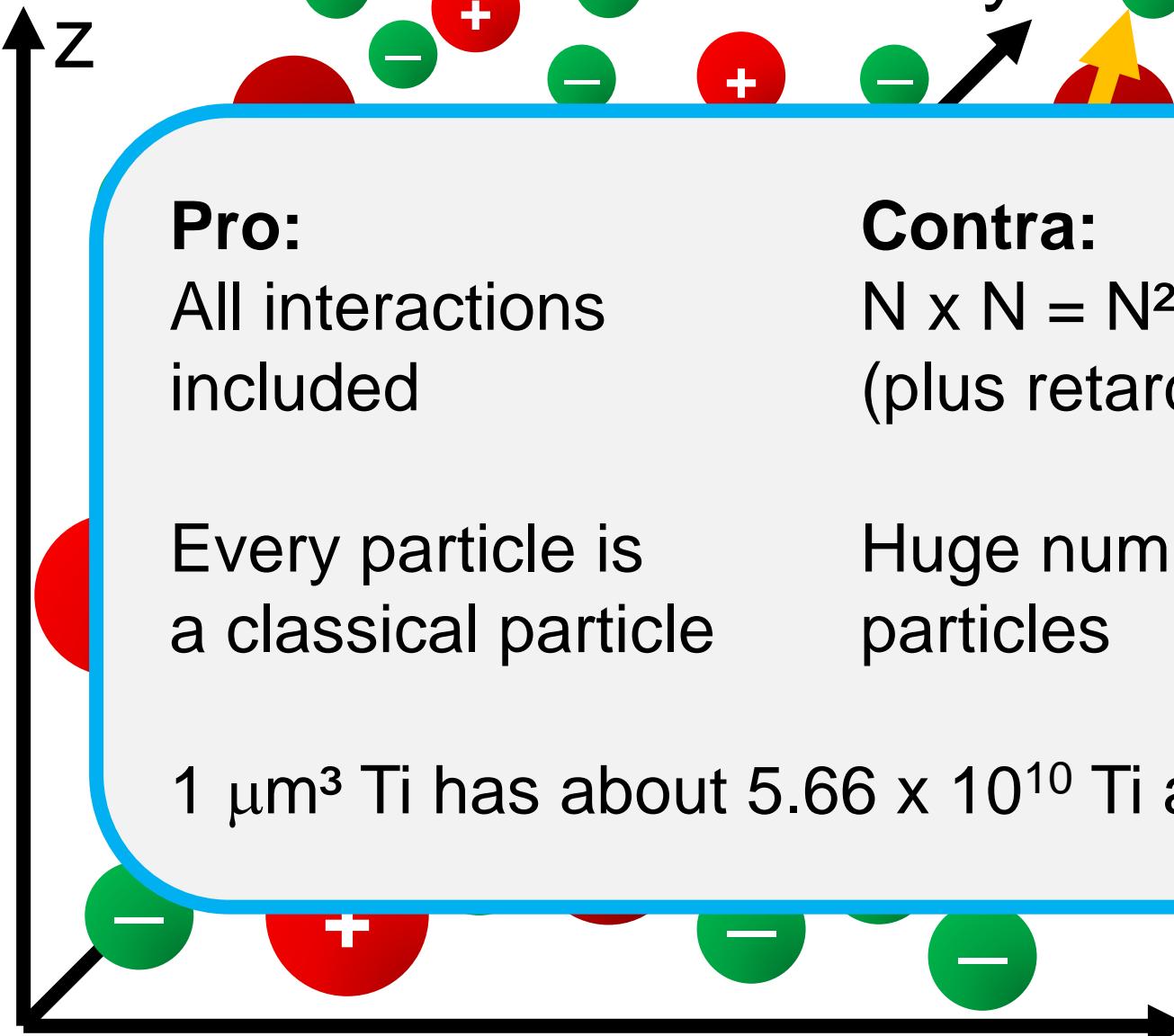
Every particle is a classical particle

$1 \mu\text{m}^3$ Ti has about 5.66×10^{10} Ti atoms

Contra:

$N \times N = N^2$ interactions
(plus retardation)

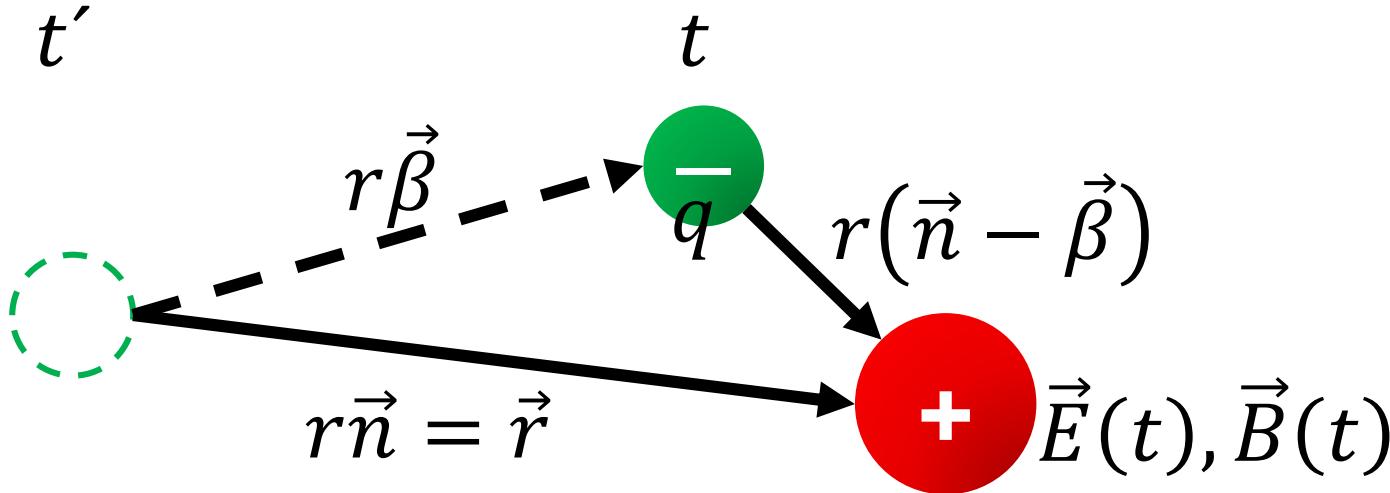
Huge number N of particles



Efficient Molecular Dynamics on High Performance Computers (HPC)

Method	Resource
„Barnes-Hut“-like Tree Code	J. Barnes, P. Hut, <i>A hierarchical $O(N \log N)$ force-calculation algorithm</i> , Nature , 324 (4), 446, 1986
Fast Multipole Methods	N. Engheta, et al., <i>The Fast Multipole Method for Electromagnetic Scattering Computation</i> , IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation 40 , 634, 1992

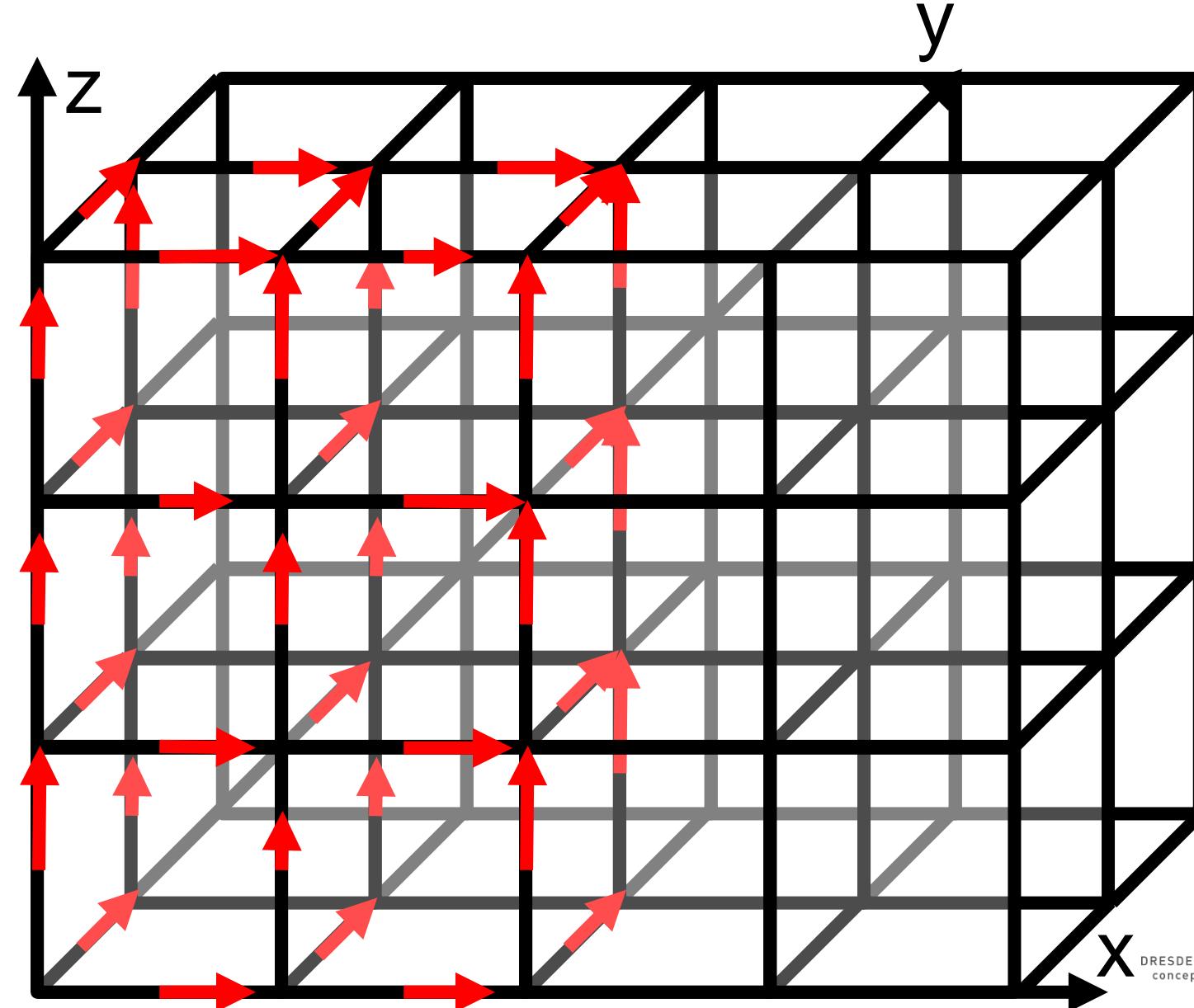
The problem of retardation in Molecular Dynamics – Bookkeeping



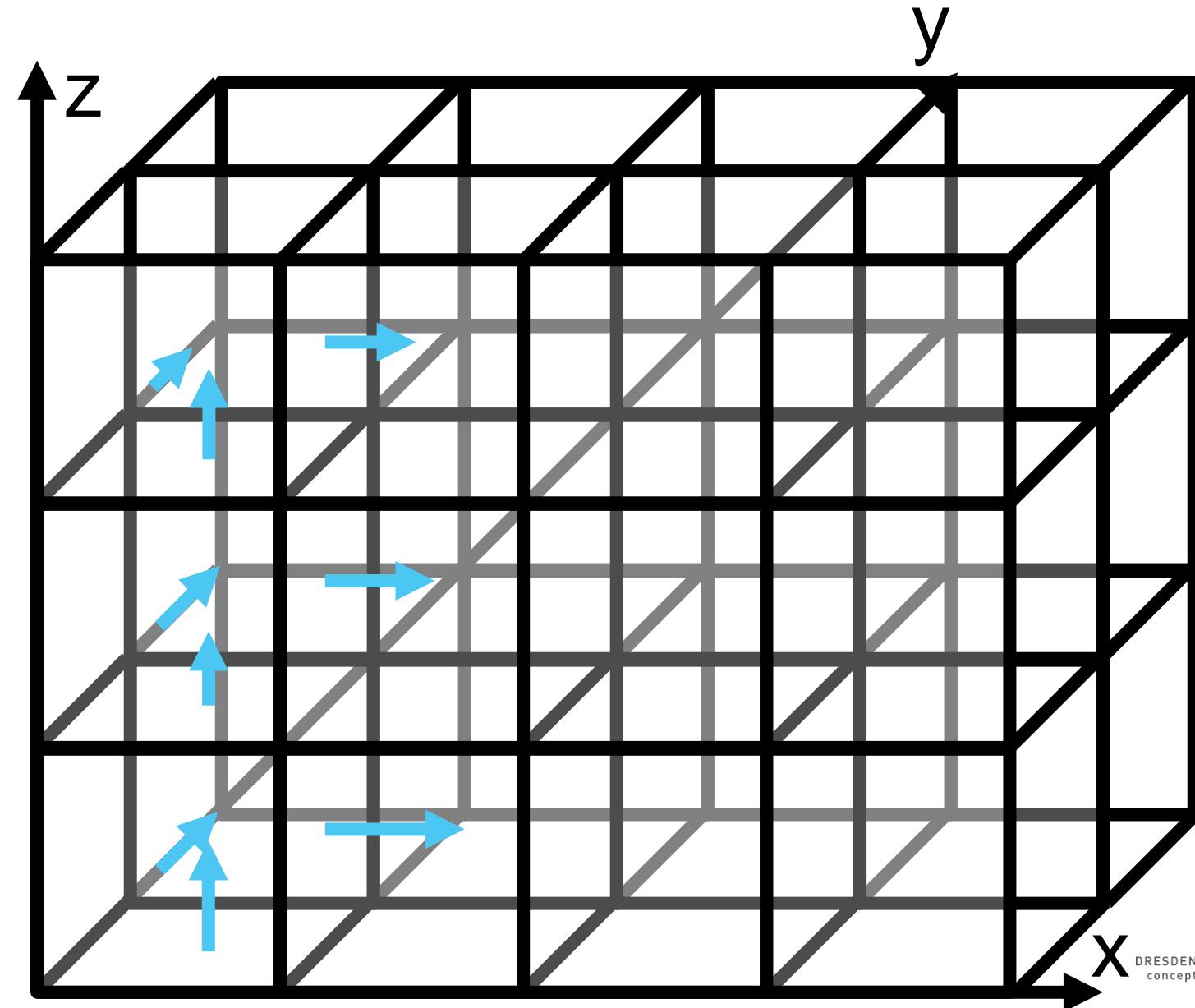
$$\vec{E}(t) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(1 - \beta^2)(\vec{n} - \vec{\beta})}{r^2(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} + \frac{\vec{n} \times ((\vec{n} - \vec{\beta}) \times \dot{\vec{\beta}})}{cr(1 - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} \Big|_{t'}$$

$$\vec{B}(t) = \frac{\vec{n} \times \vec{E}(t)}{c} \Big|_{t'} \quad \text{Liénard-Wiechert Fields}$$

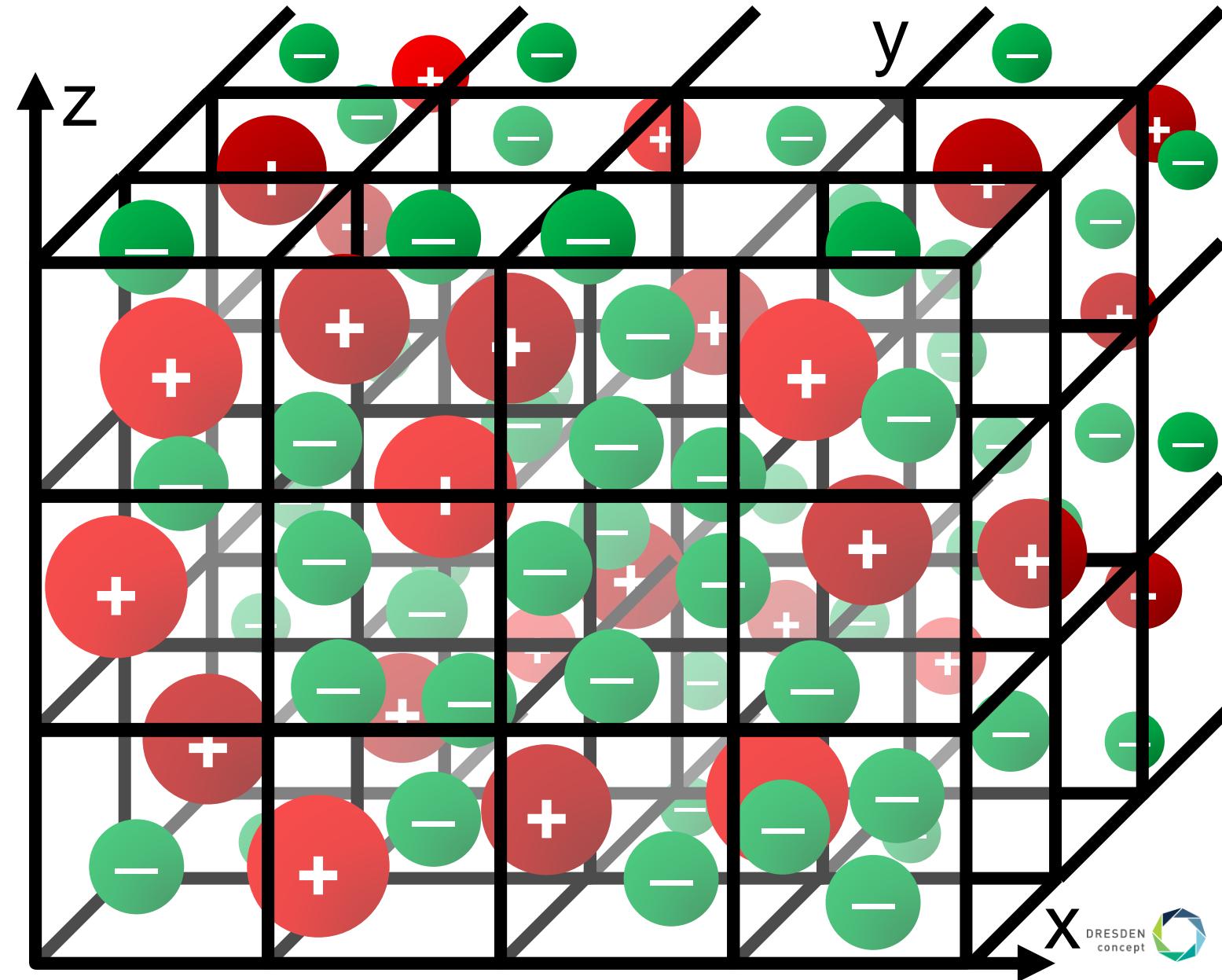
Long-range interactions via **electric fields**...



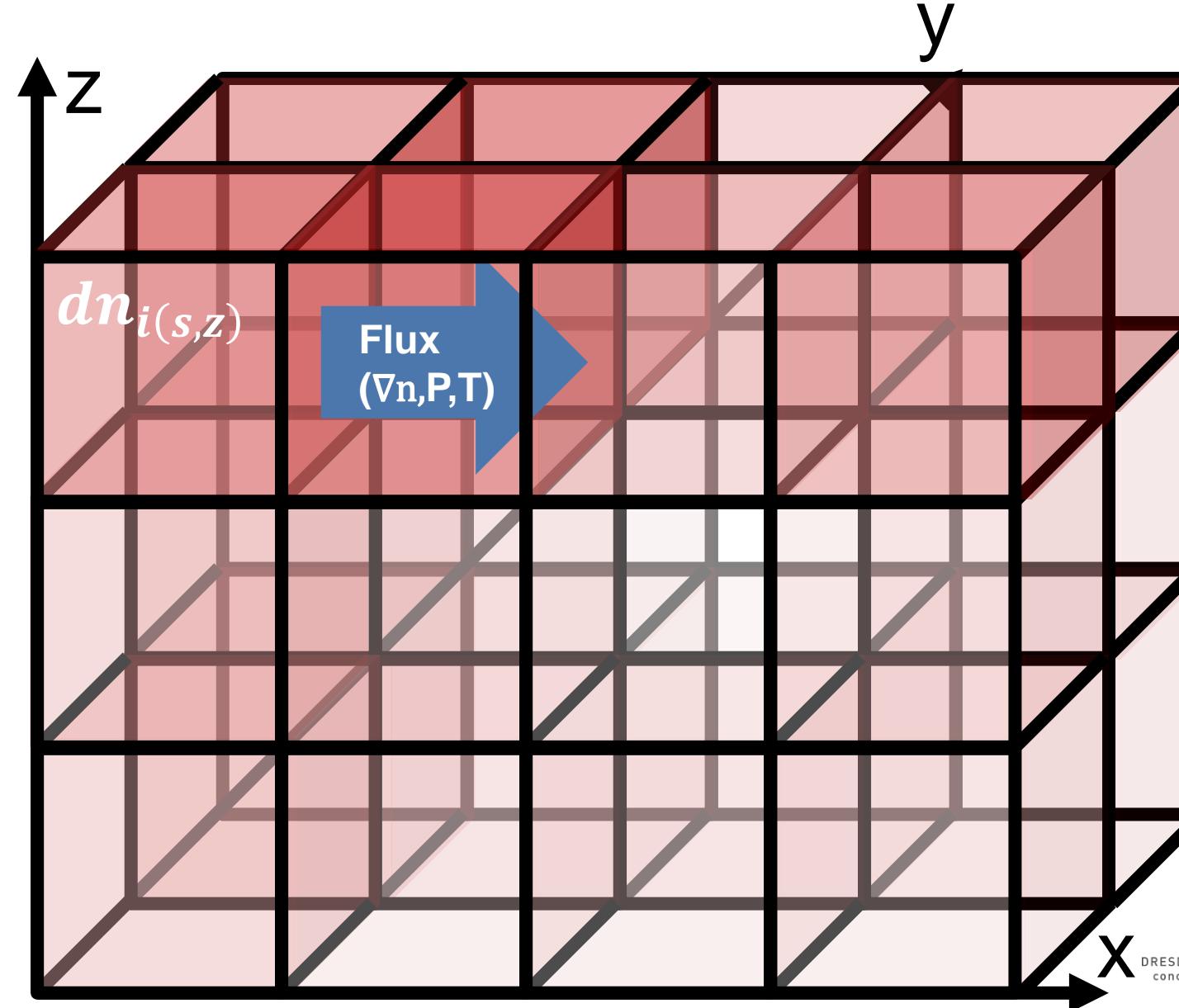
... and magnetic fields (displaced by $\frac{1}{2}$ grid cell)



Average the particle densities n over a grid



Fluid Methods for probing the Vlasov-Maxwell-Equations



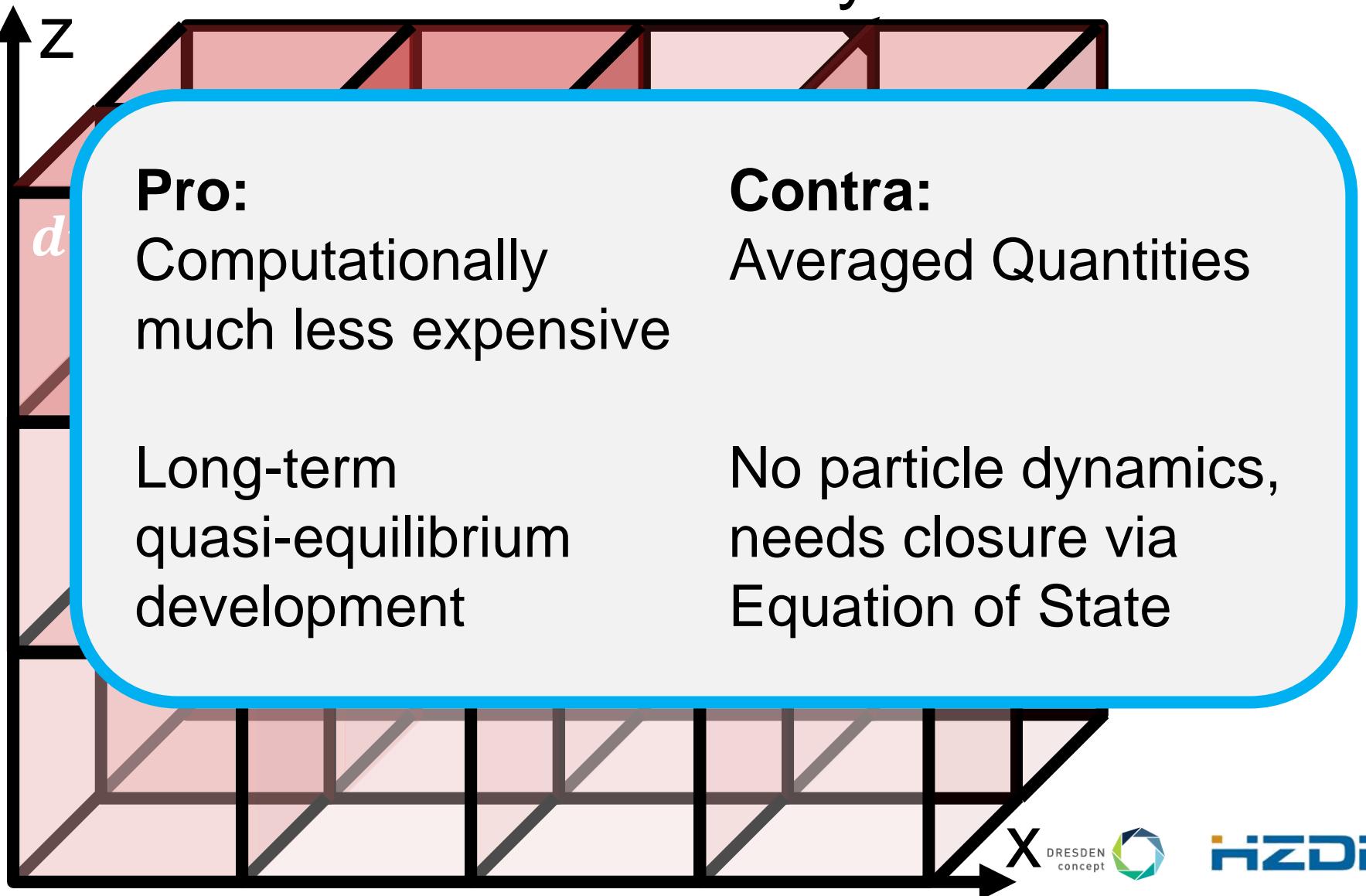
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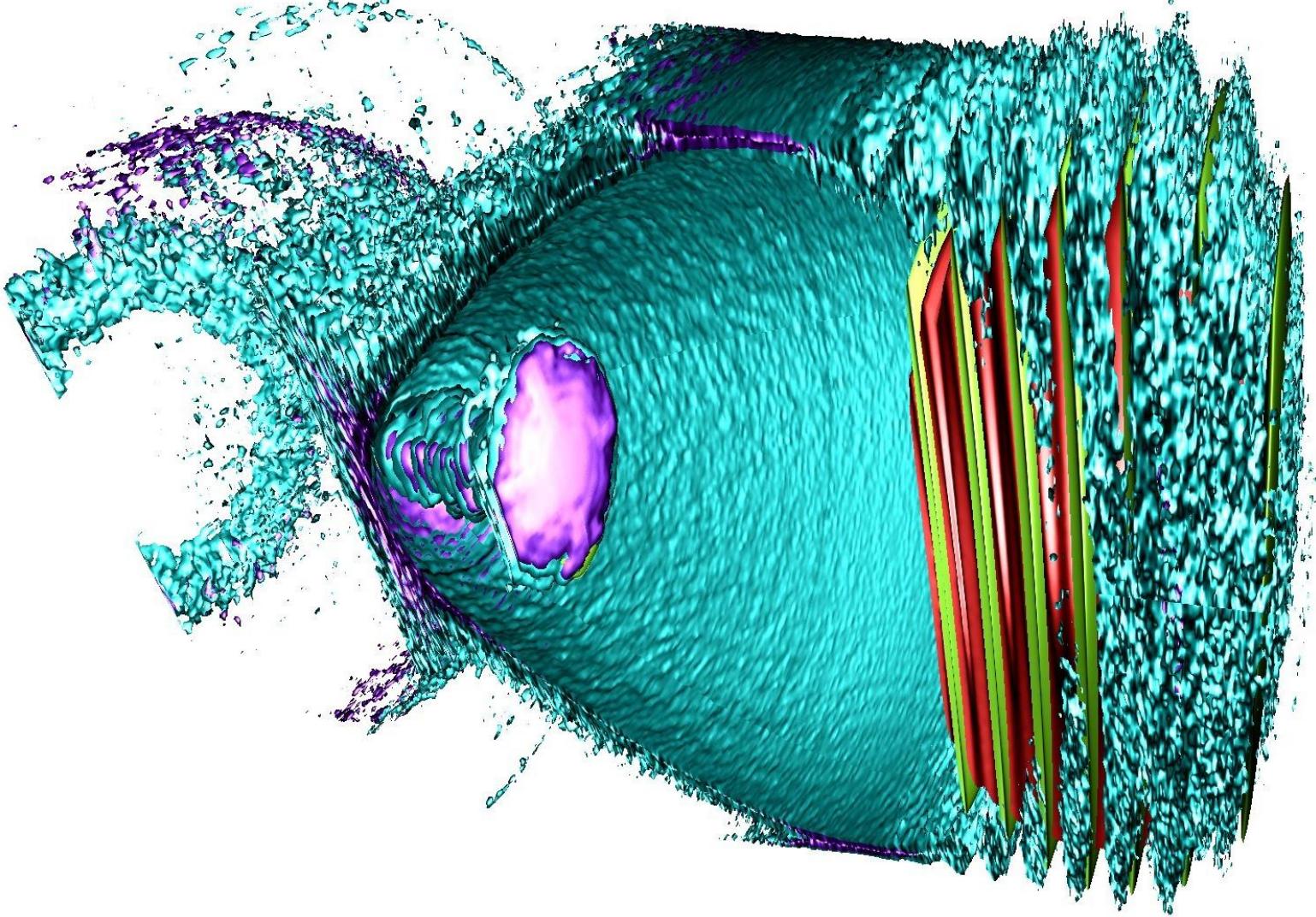
Pro:
Computationally
much less expensive

Long-term
quasi-equilibrium
development

Contra:
Averaged Quantities

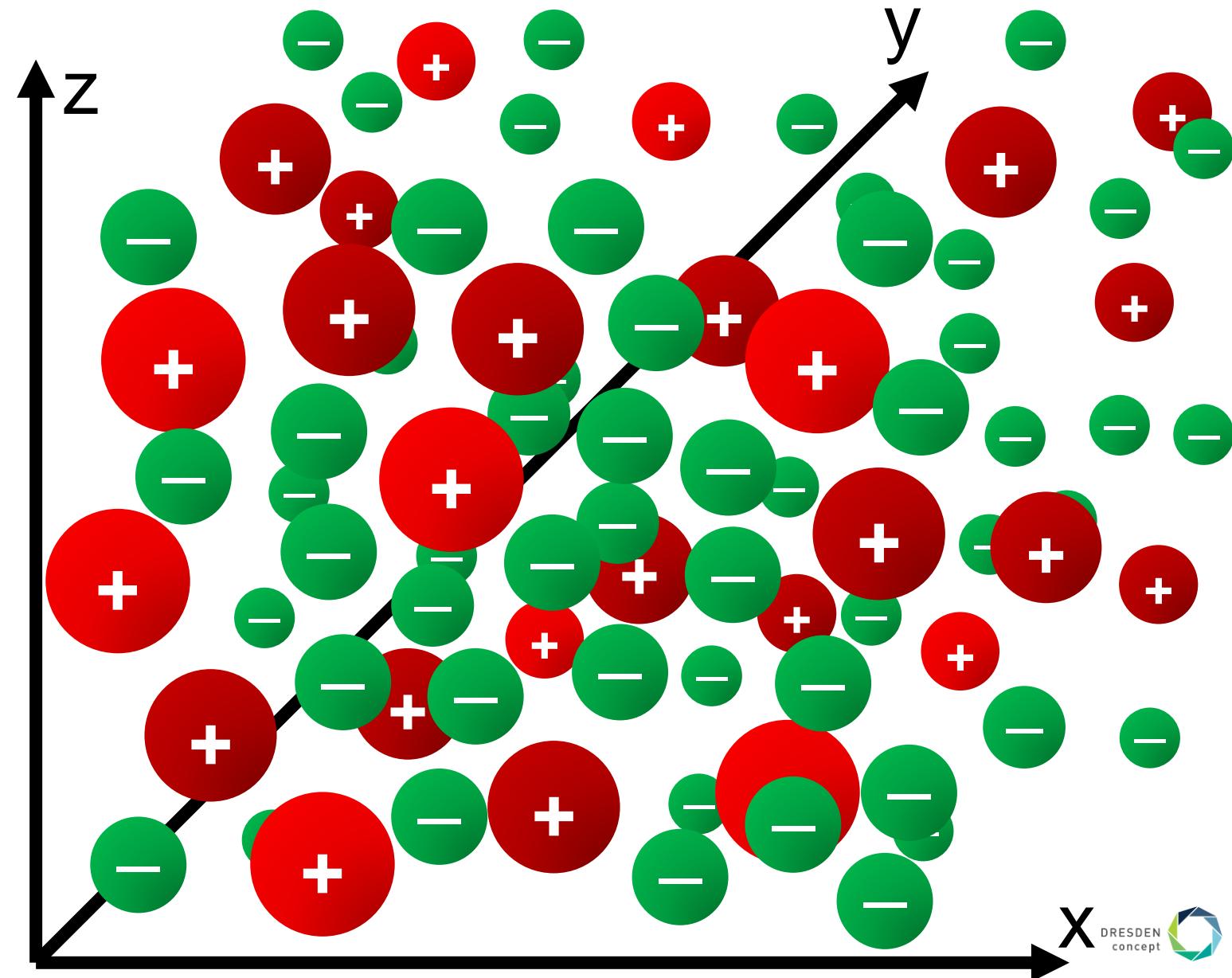
No particle dynamics,
needs closure via
Equation of State



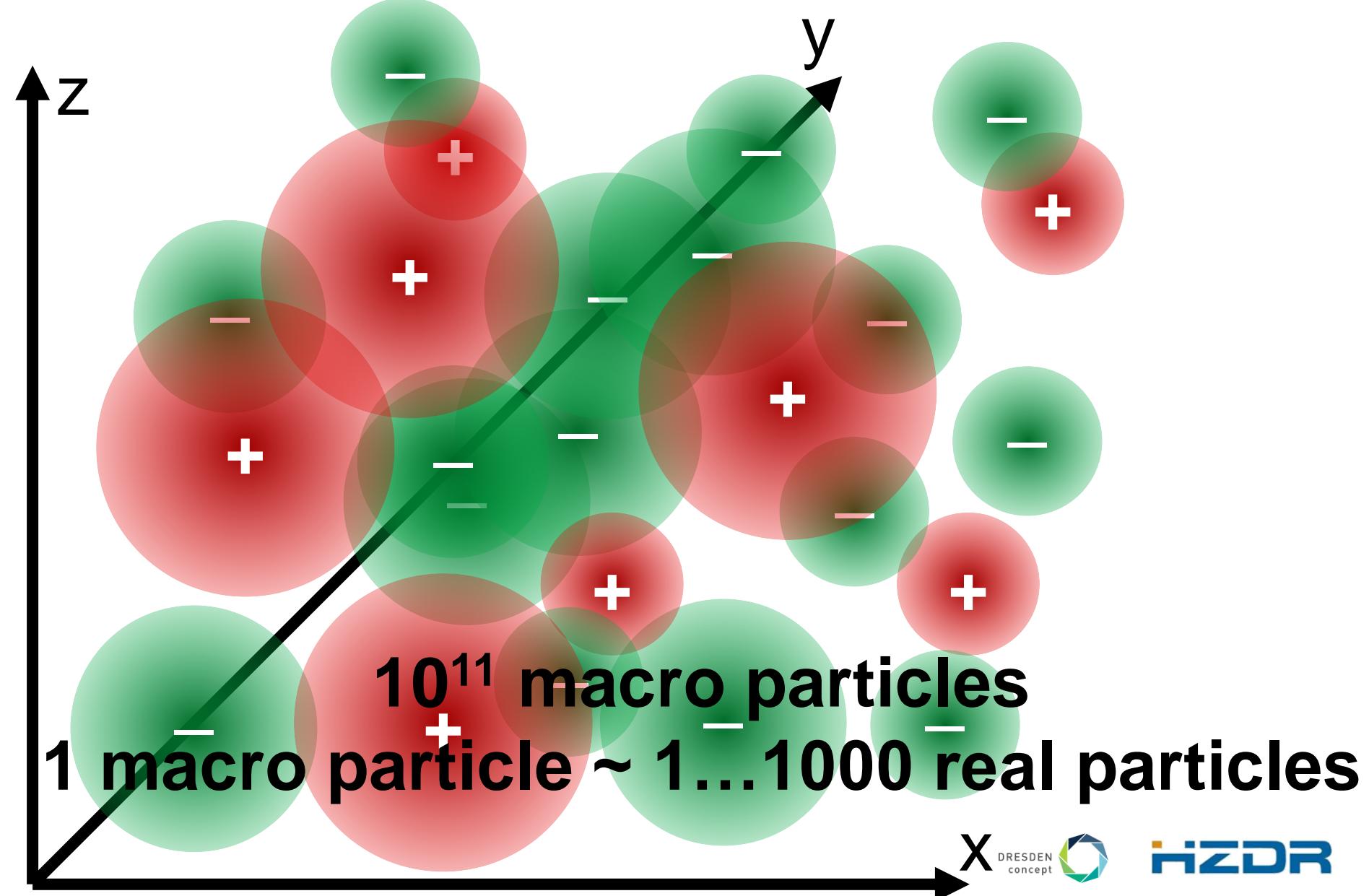


Particle-in-Cell

The PIC Method for probing the Vlasov-Maxwell-Equations



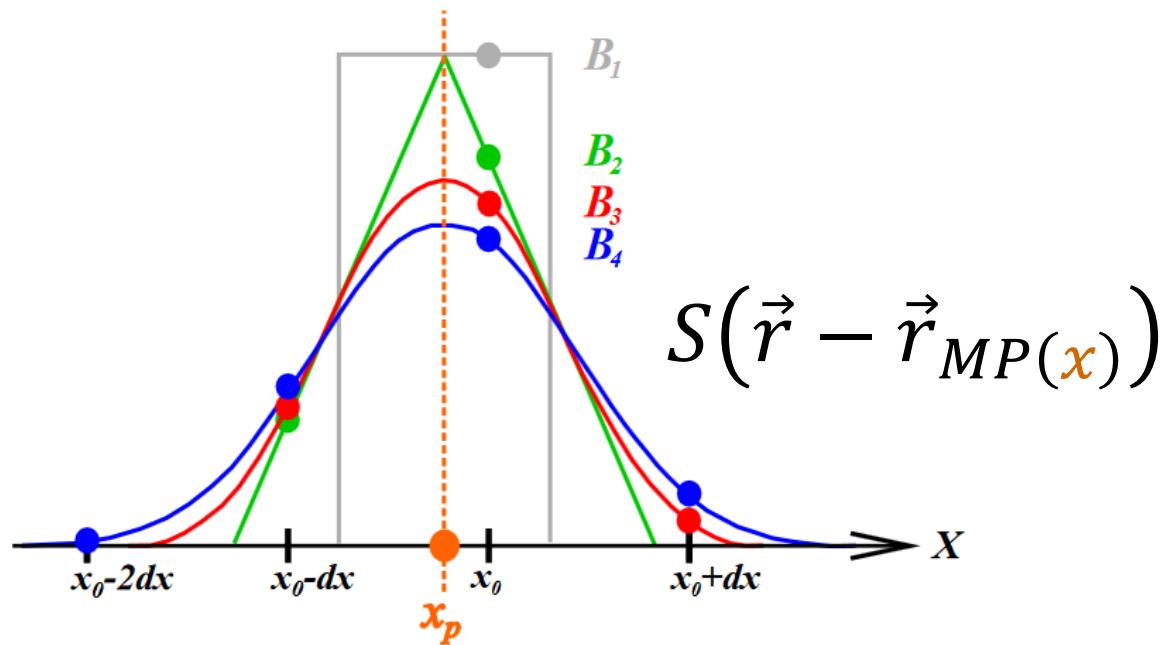
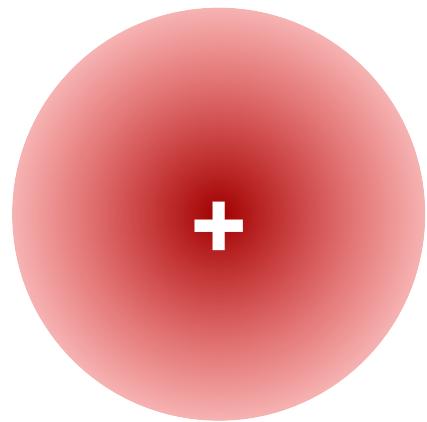
Macro particles (particle density distributions) replace real particles



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$$f_{MP(x)}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) = w_x \delta(\vec{p} - \vec{p}_{MP(x)}) S(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{MP(x)})$$

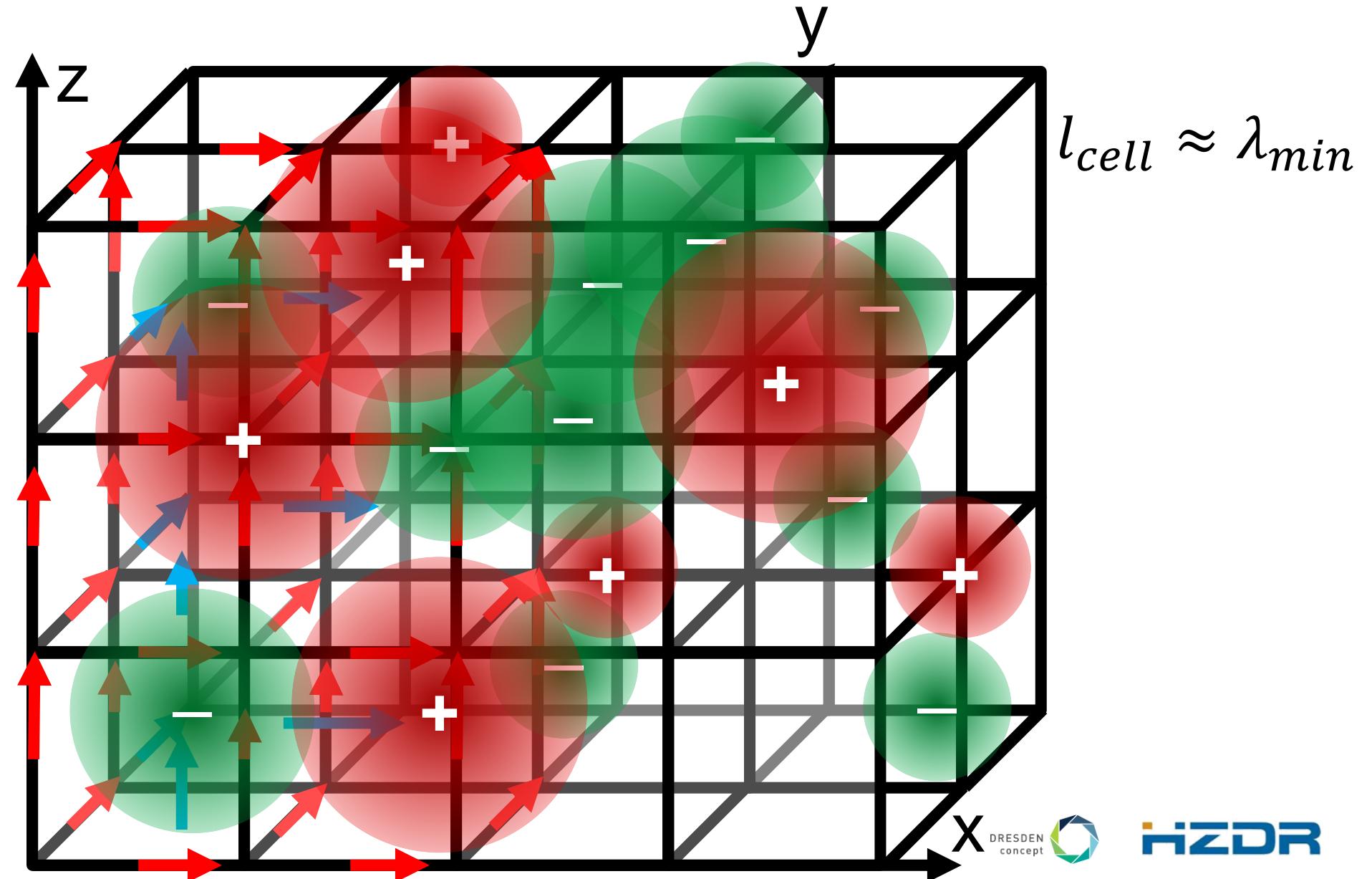
$$\int \int f_{MP(x)}(\vec{r}, \vec{p}, t) \, d\vec{r} d\vec{p} = \int \int f_x(\vec{r}, \vec{p}, t) \, d\vec{r} d\vec{p}$$



T. Haugbølle, J.T. Frederiksen, Å. Nordlund,

Photon-plasma: A modern high-order particle-in-cell code,
Phys. Plasmas 20, 062904, 2013

Fields are discretized on a (regular rectilinear) grid

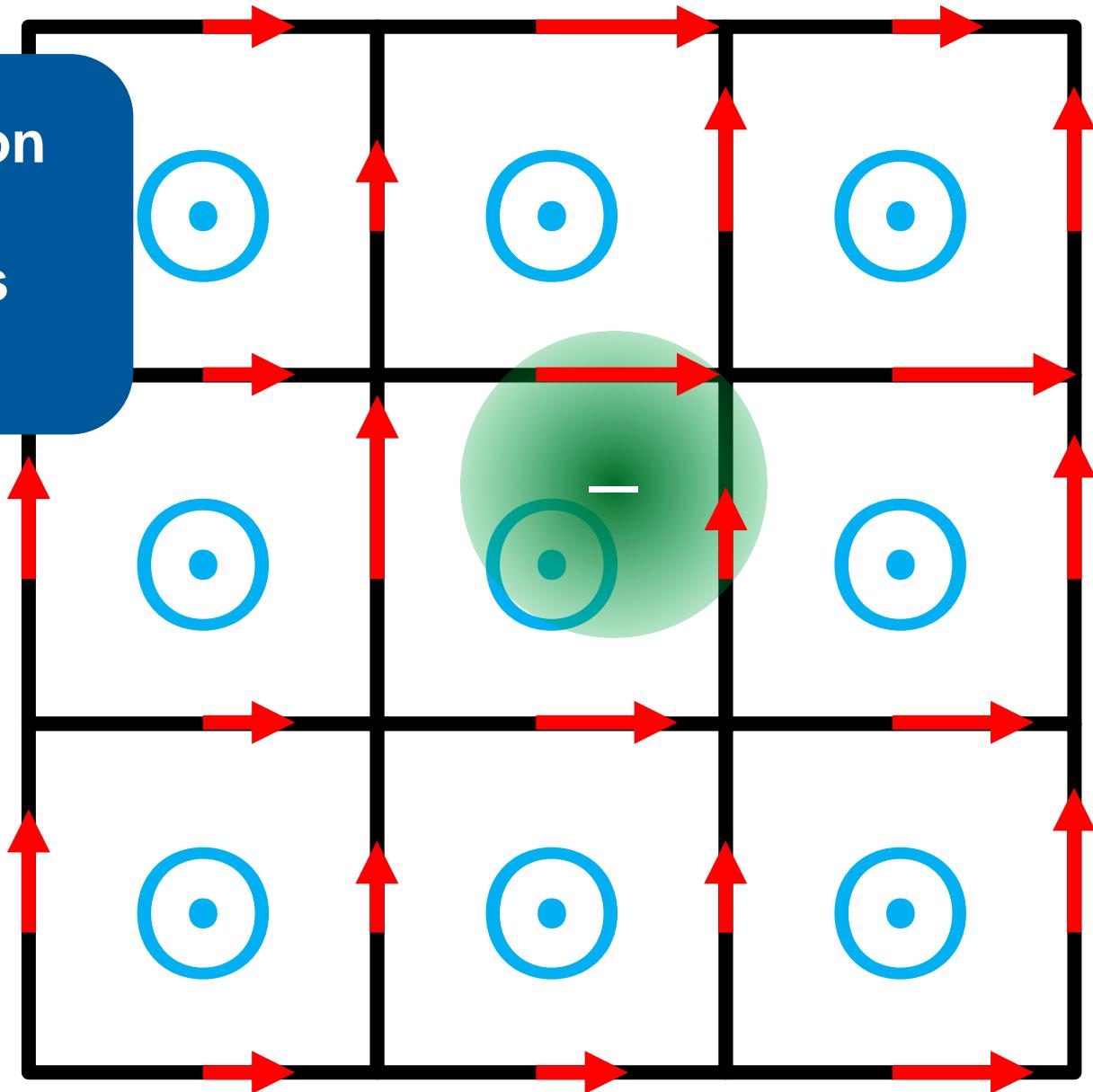


Field discretization on a rectilinear grid – The Yee Lattice

Method	Resource
„Yee-Lattice“	K.S. Yee, <i>Numerical solution of initial boundary value problems involving Maxwell's equations in isotropic media</i> , IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation. 14, 302, 1966

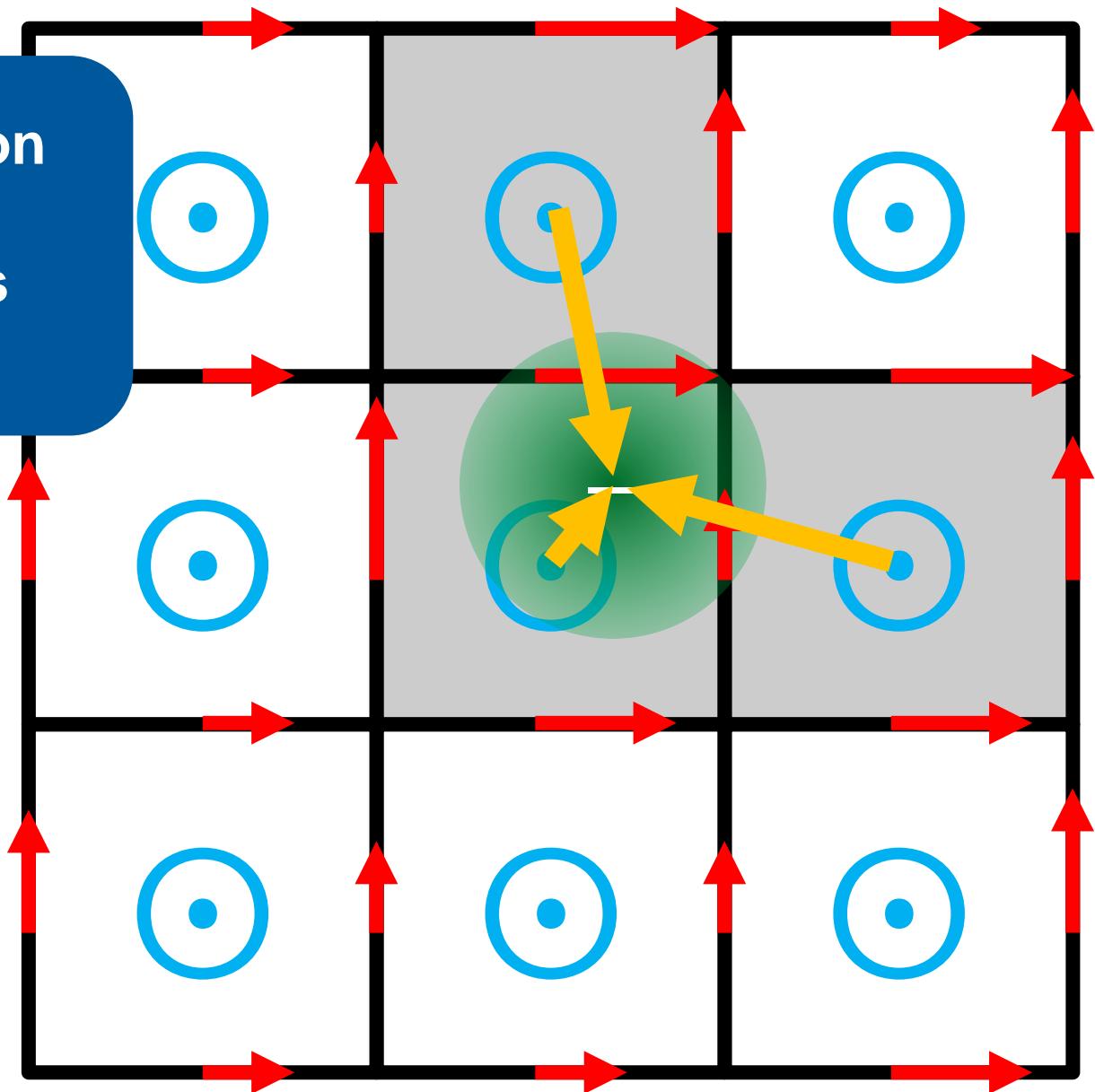
Performing the particle-in-cell algorithm

**Field interpolation
on the
macroparticle's
position**



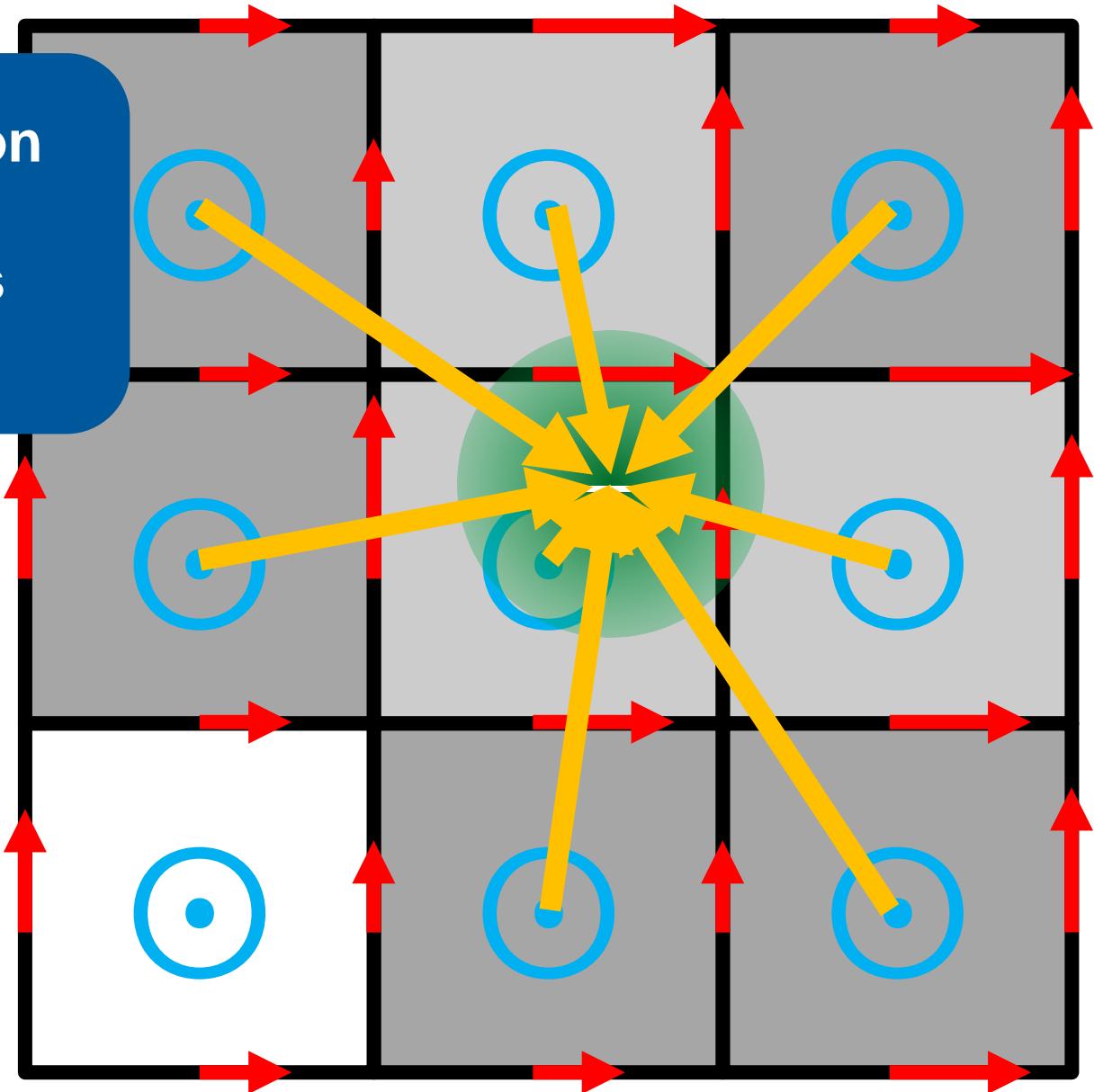
Fields interpolation (1 cell)

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Fields interpolation (2 cells)

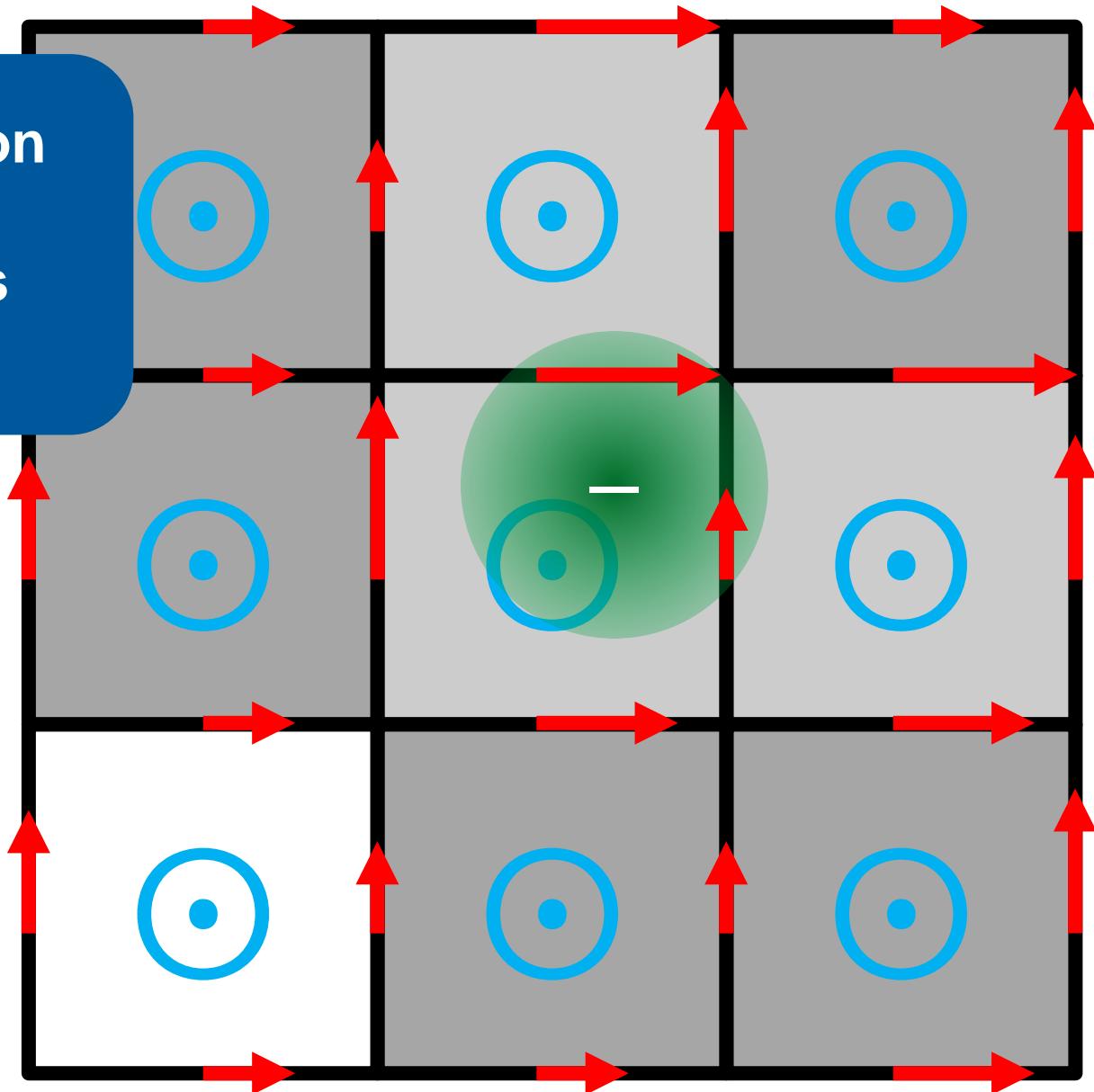
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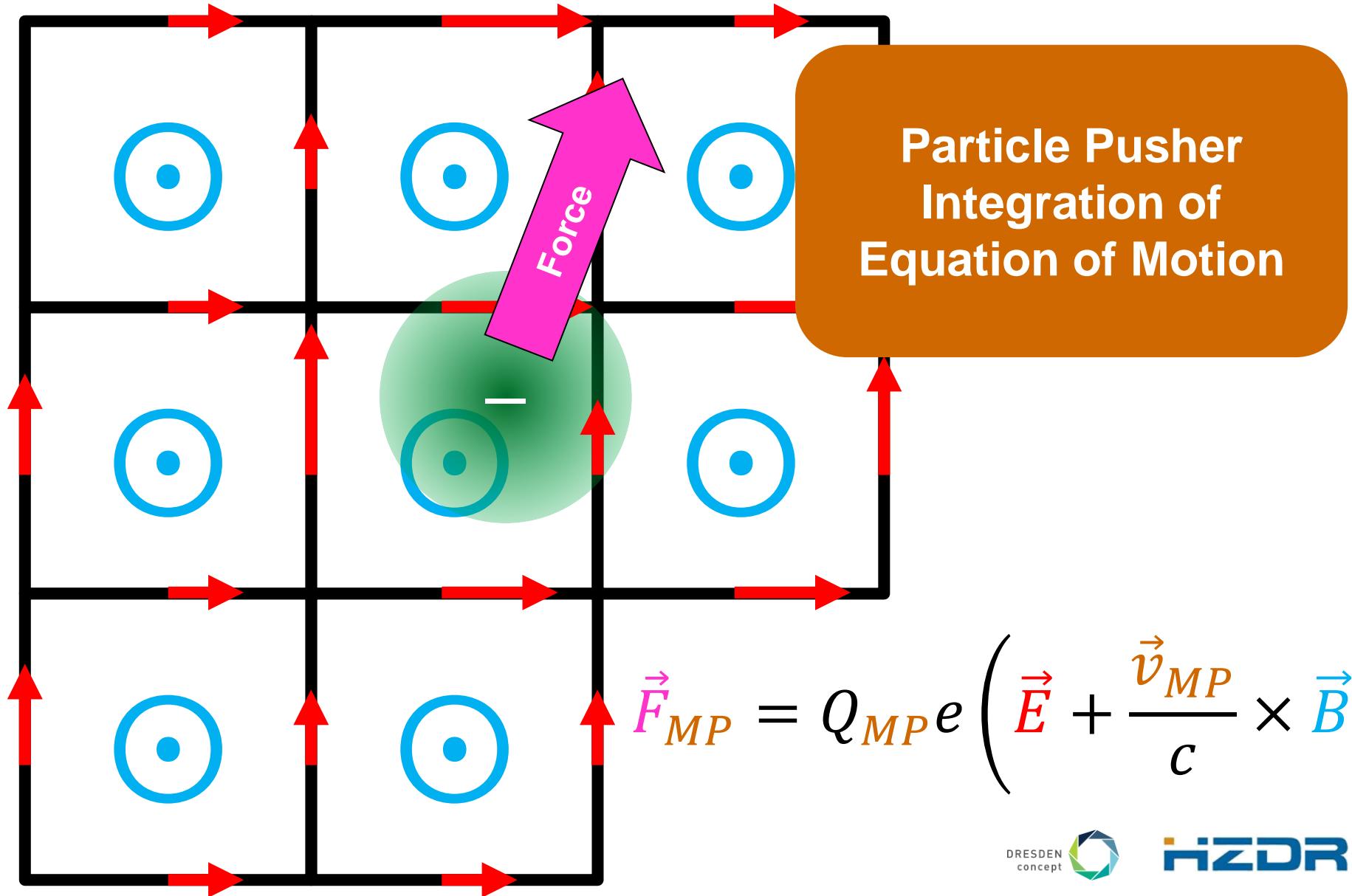
Fields interpolation – We need a lot of cells around each MP

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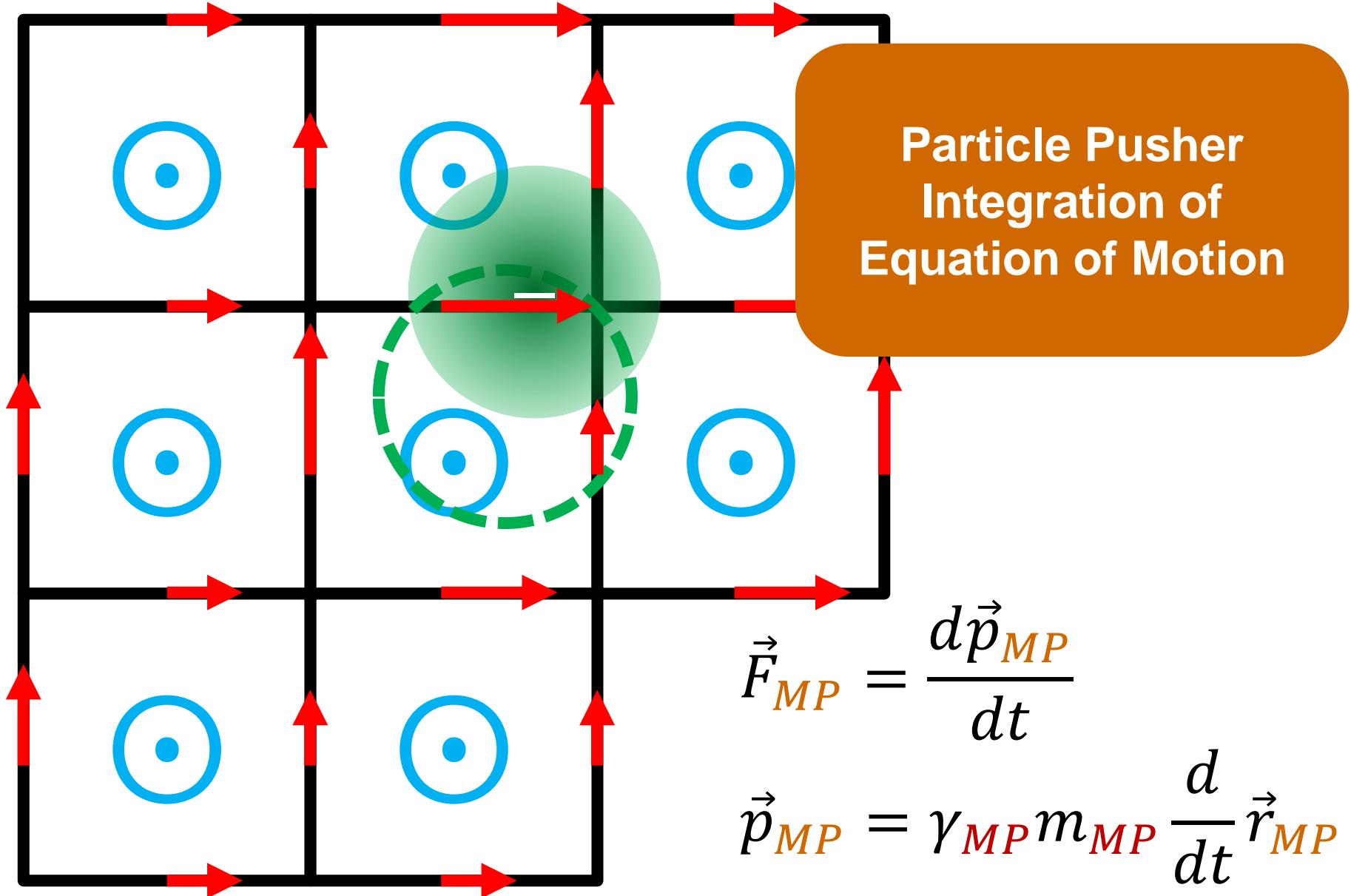
- Use several cells around each MP for higher accuracy
- Act on the macro particle according to the shape function S



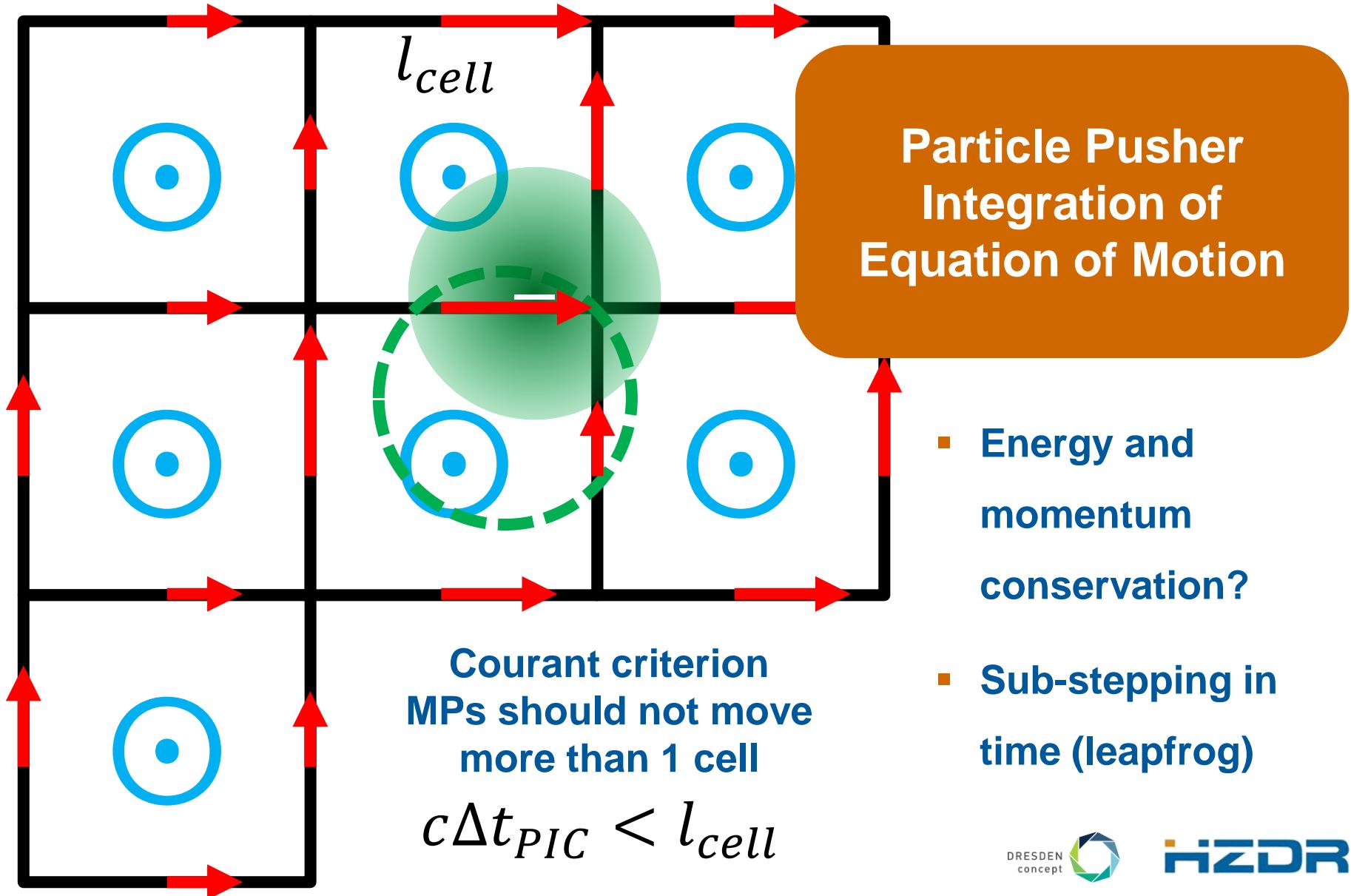
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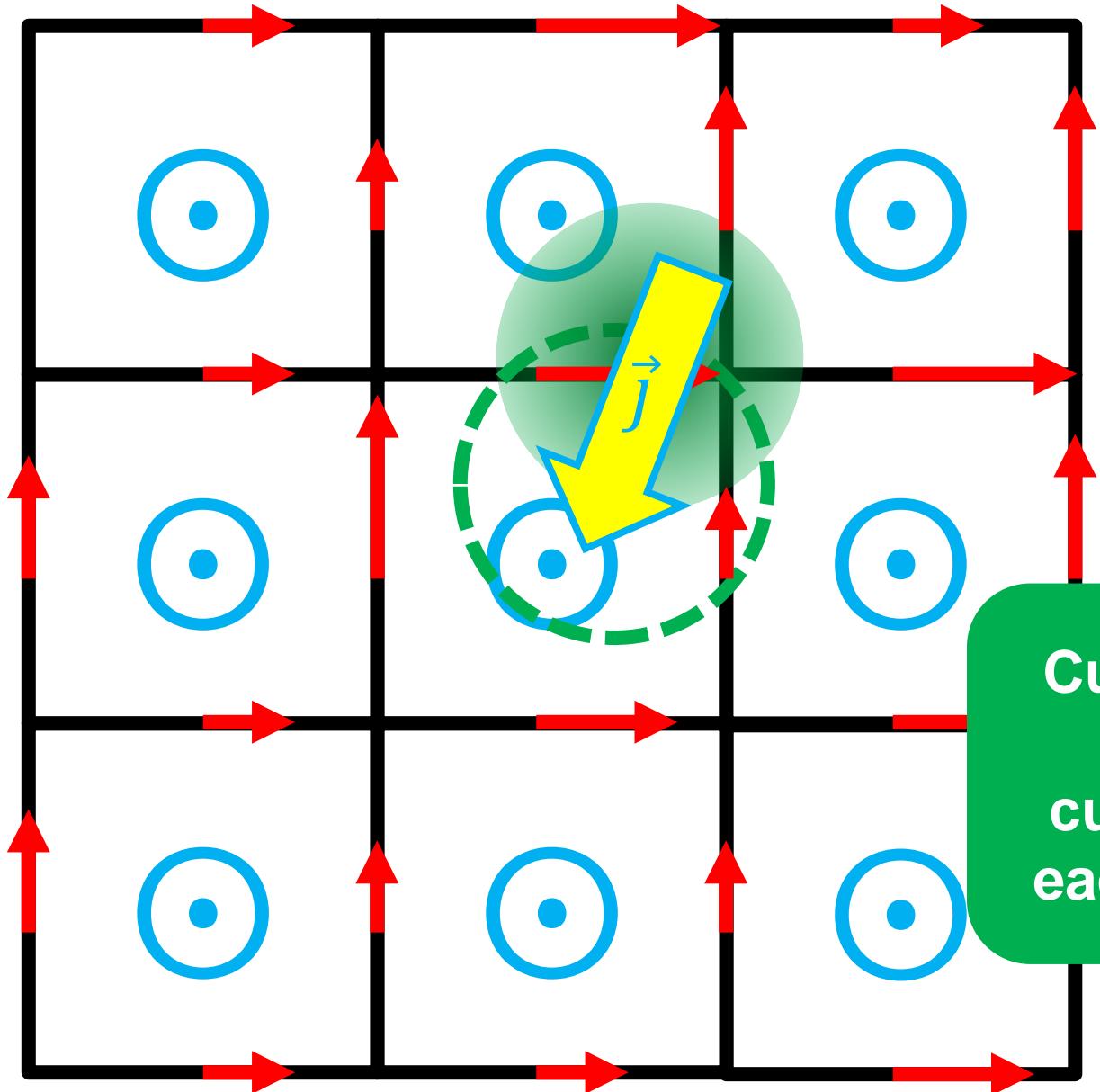
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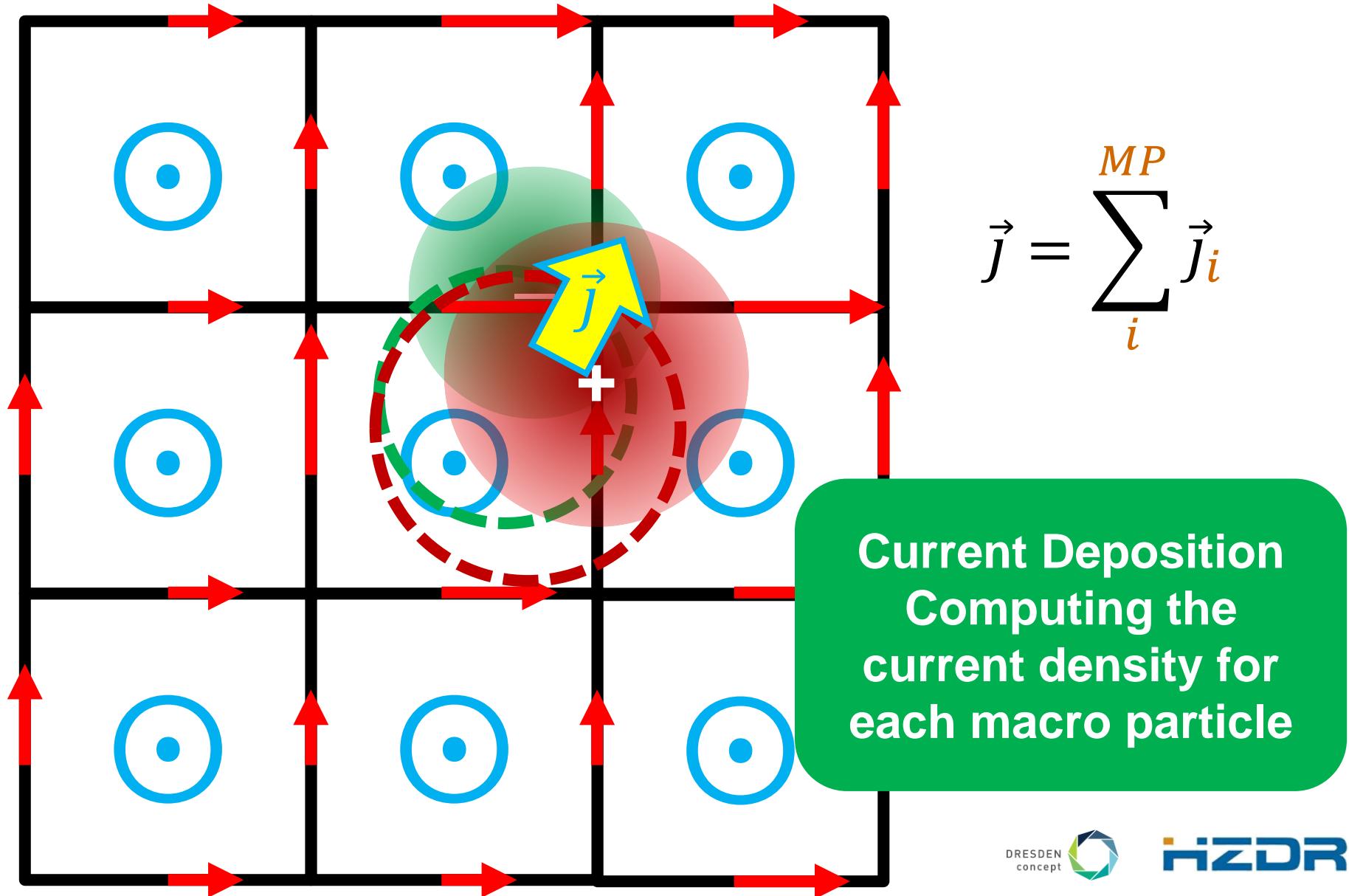
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„Boris-Pusher“	J.P. Boris, <i>Relativistic plasma simulation-optimization of a hybrid code</i> , Proceedings of the 4th Conference on Numerical Simulation of Plasmas , Naval Res. Lab., Washington, D.C., 3, 1970
„Vay-Pusher“	J.-L. Vay, D.P. Grote, R.H. Cohen, A. Friedman, <i>Novel methods in the Particle-In-Cell accelerator Code-Framework Warp</i> , Computational Science & Discovery 5(1), 014019, 2012

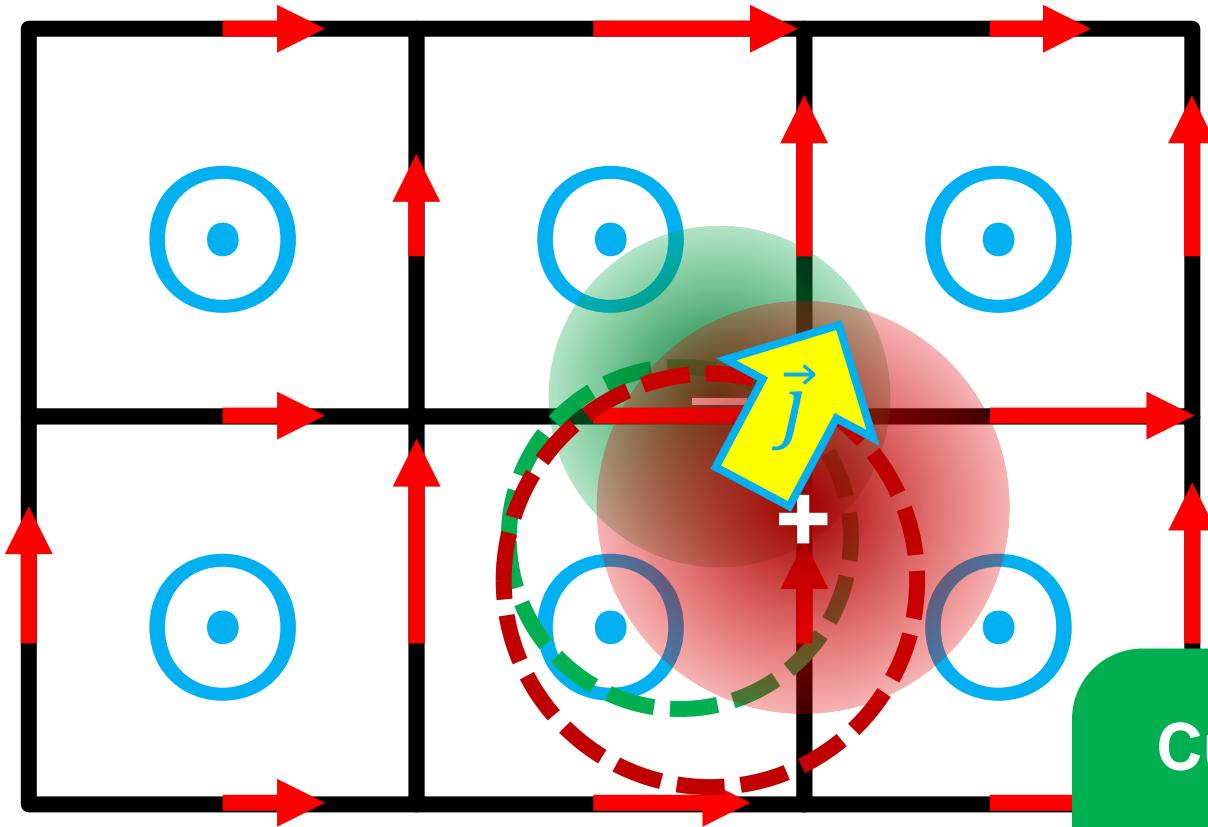
„Current Deposition“ – Computing the current density



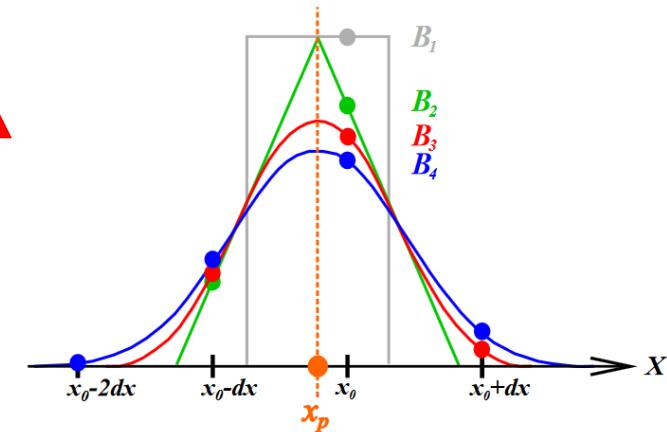
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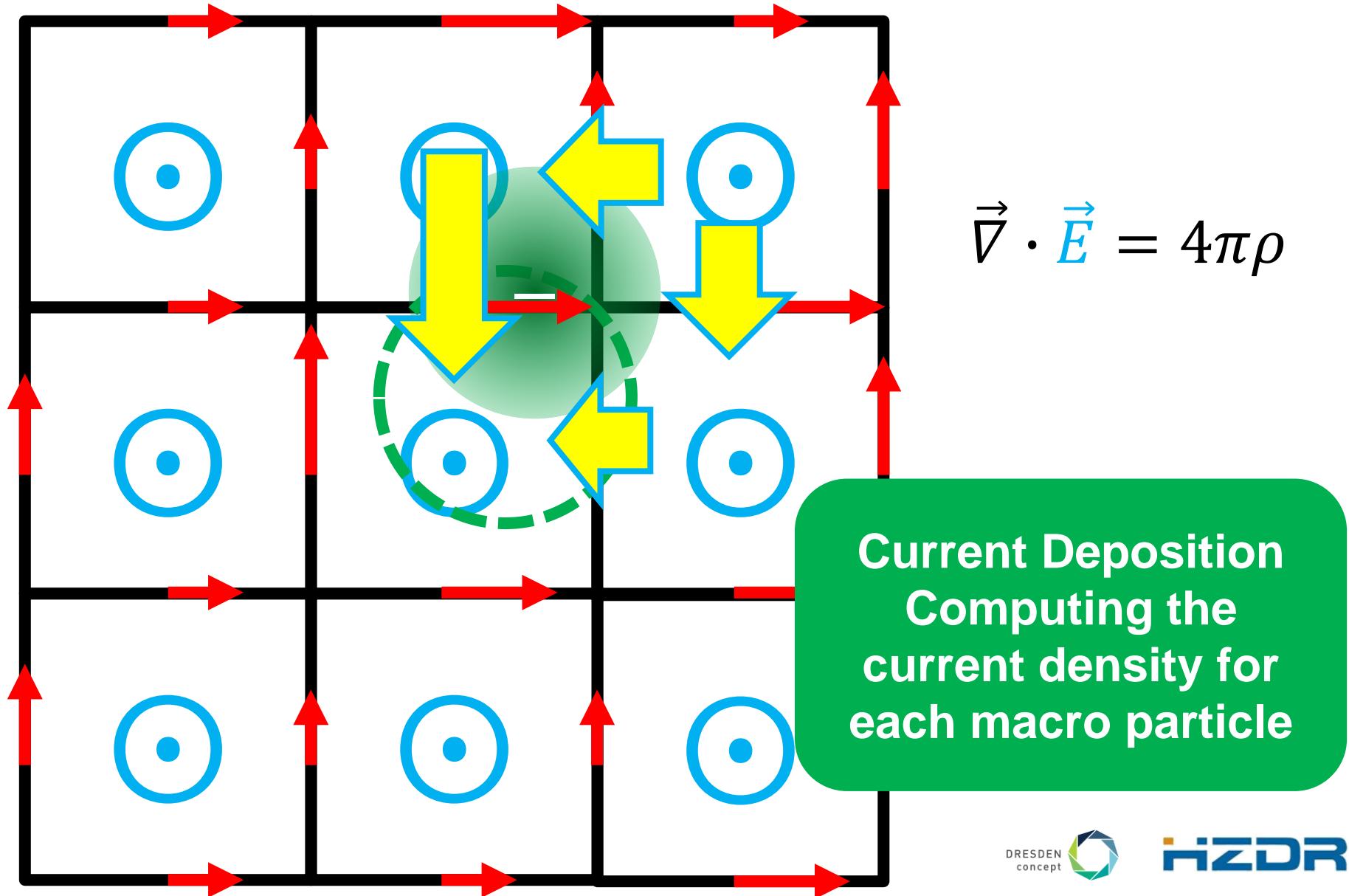
$$\vec{j} = \sum_i^{MP} Q_{MP} \int f_{MP} d\vec{l}_{cell}$$



Discrete MPs create noise in current

Current Deposition
Computing the
current density for
each macro particle

Current splitting schemes – Achieving conservation of charge



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„Villasenor-Buneman“	J. Villasenor, O. Buneman, <i>Rigorous charge conservation for local electromagnetic field solvers</i> , Computer Physics Communications 69 (2-3), 306, 1992
„Esirkepov“	T. Zh. Esirkepov, <i>Exact charge conservation scheme for Particle-in-Cell simulation with an arbitrary form-factor</i> , Computer Physics Communications 135 (2), 144, 2001
„Umeda“/“Zig-zag“	T Umeda, et al., <i>A new charge conservation method in electromagnetic particle-in-cell simulations</i> , Computer Physics Communications 156 (1), 73, 2003

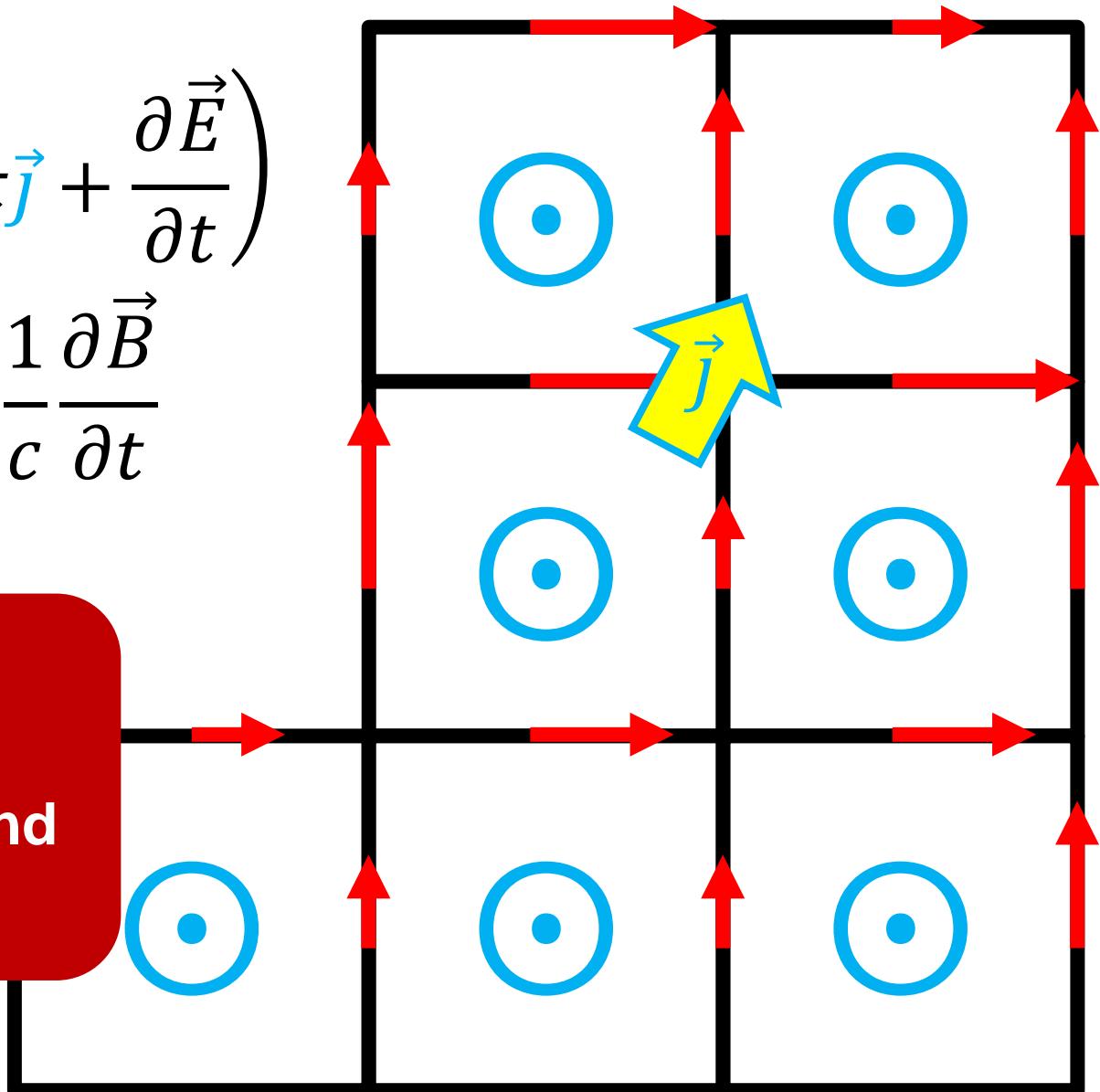
„Maxwell Solver“ – Solving 50% of Maxwell's Equations

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Maxwell Solver

**Solve Ampère's and
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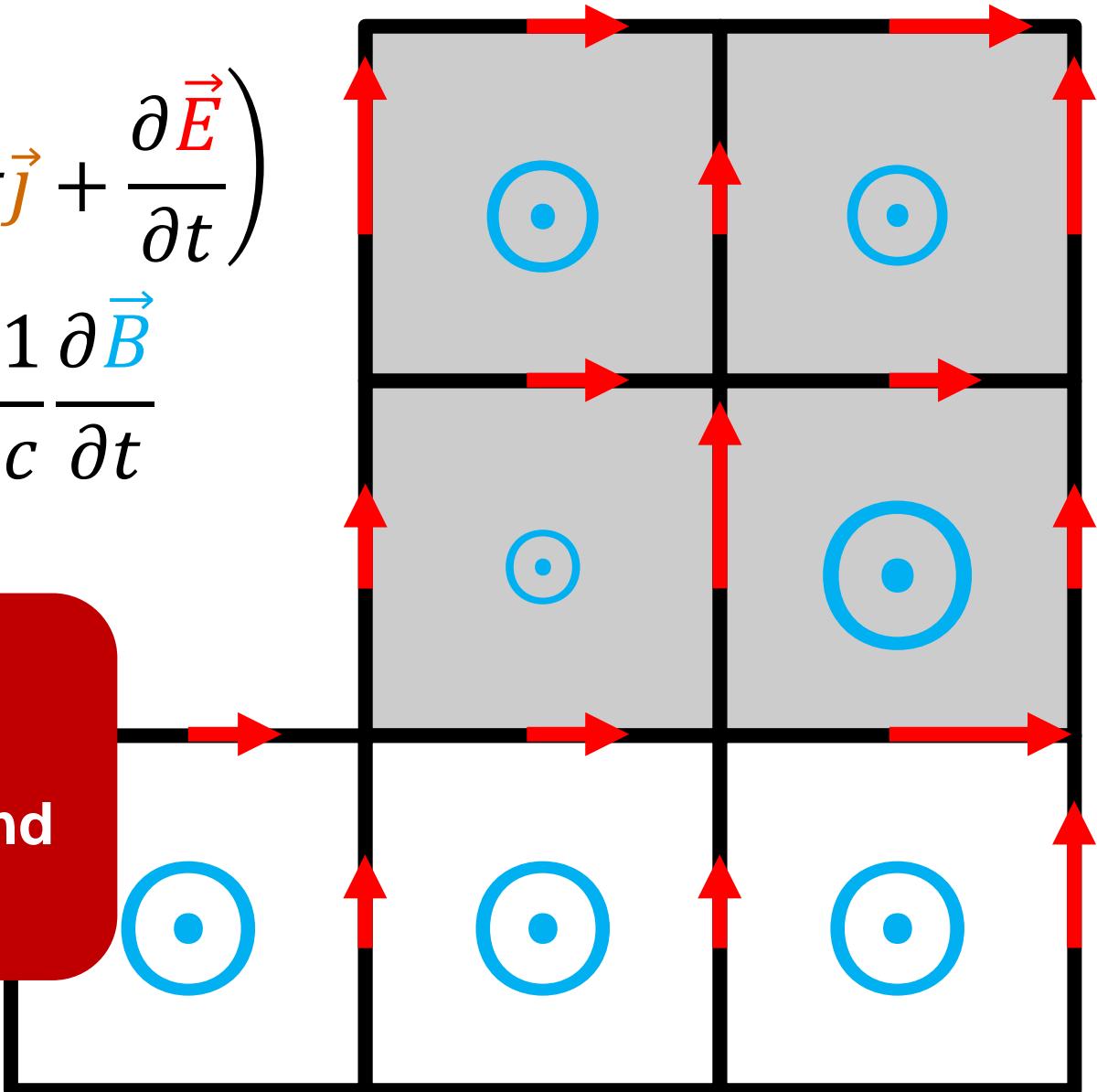
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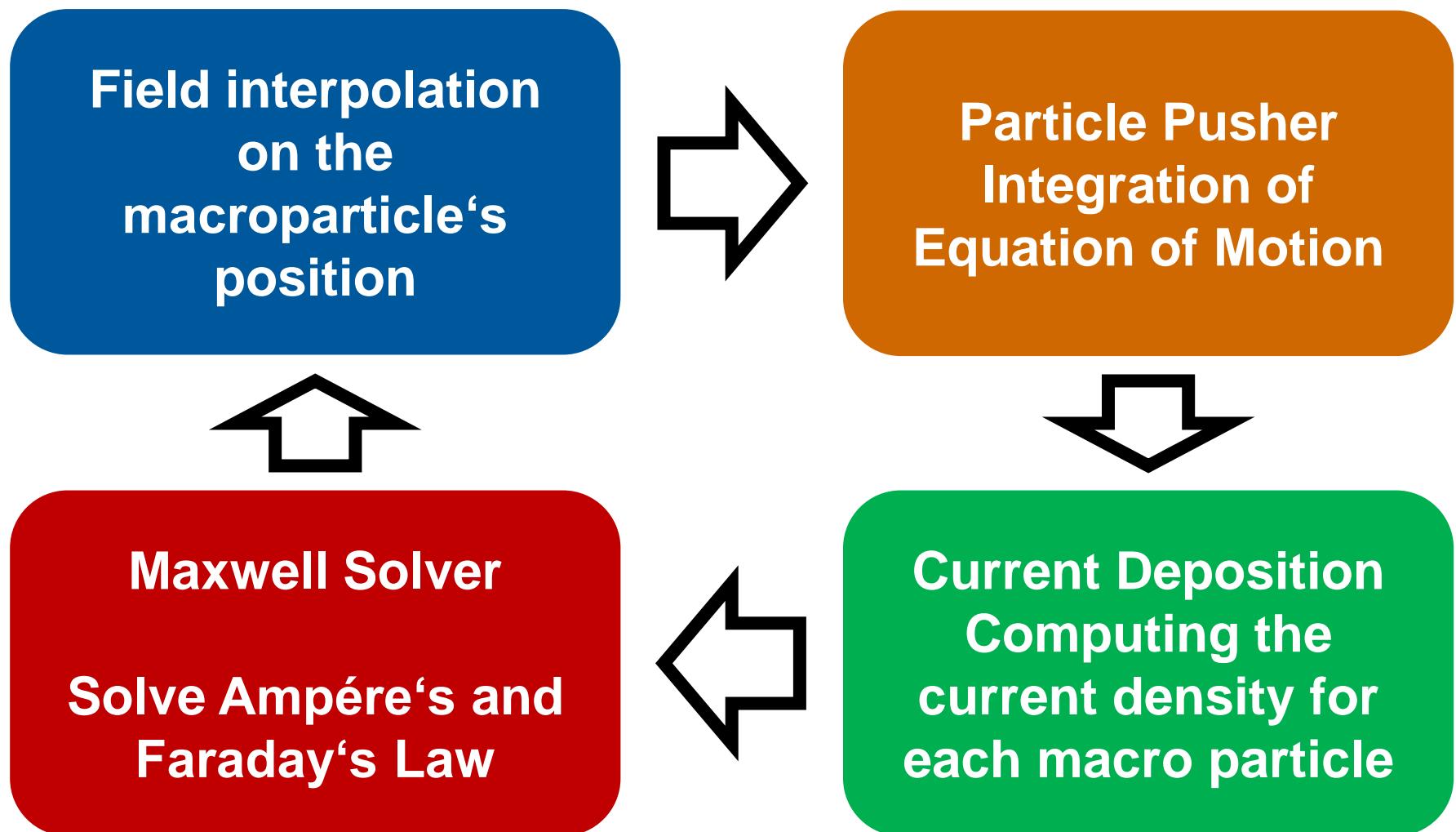
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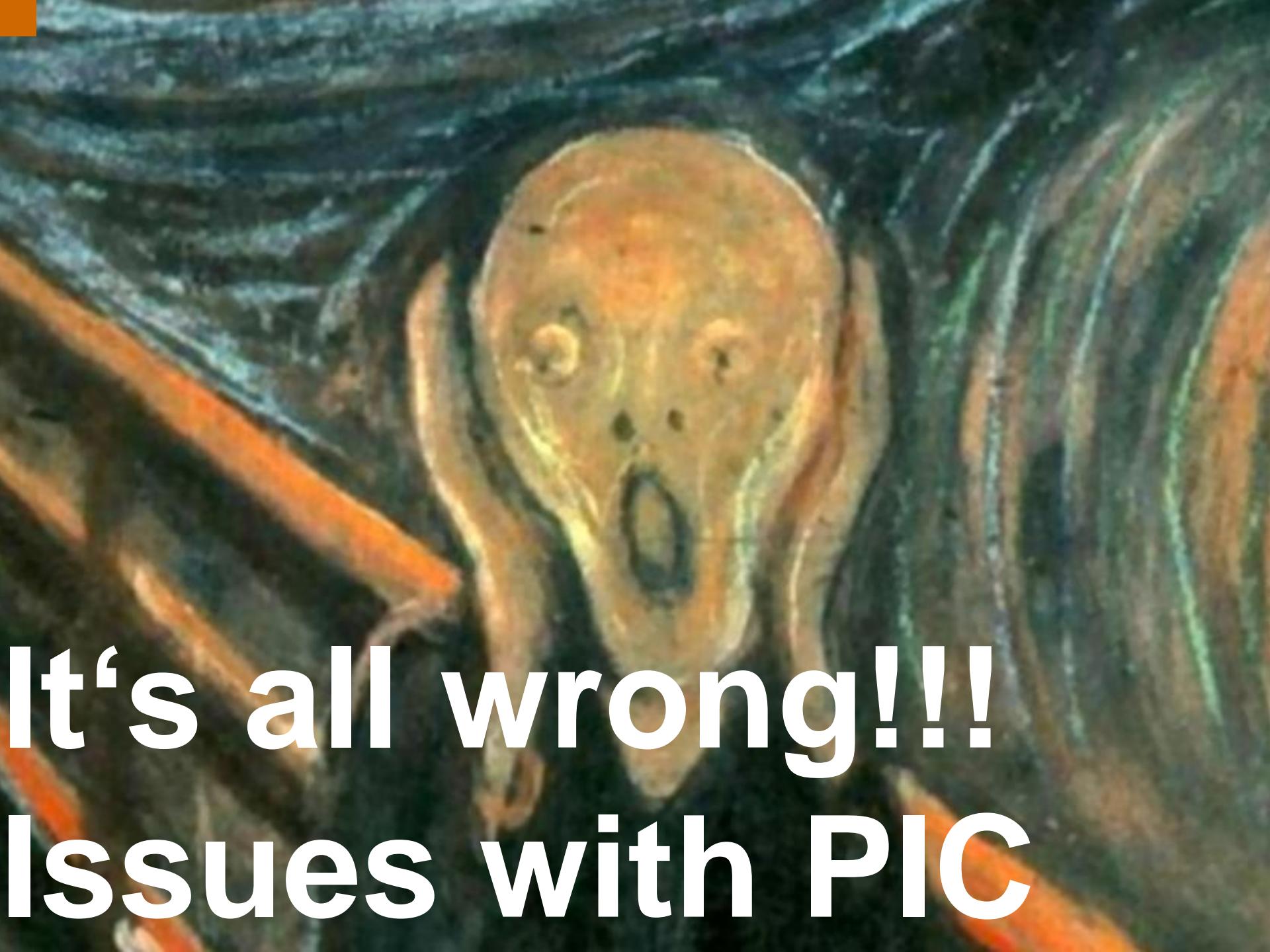


The particle-in-cell Cycle



Books on Particle-in-Cell Techniques

Method	Resource
„Particle-Mesh“ Basics	R.W. Hockney, J.W. Eastwood <i>Computer Simulation Using Particles</i>
„Particle-in-Cell“ for Plasmas	C.K. Birdsall, A.B. Langdon <i>Plasma Physics via Computer Simulation</i>
„Particle-in-Cell“ Theory	Yu.N. Grigoryev <i>Numerical "Particle-in-cell" Methods: Theory and Applications</i>



**It's all wrong!!!
Issues with PIC**

Issues for the Particle-in-Cell Technique – An incomplete list

Problem	Resource
Energy Conservation	S. Markidis, G. Lapenta, <i>The energy conserving particle-in-cell method</i> , Journal of Computational Physics 230(18), 7037 , 2011
Momentum Conservation	G.B. Jacobs, J.S. Hesthaven, <i>Implicit-explicit time integration of a high-order particle-in-cell method with hyperbolic divergence cleaning</i> , Computer Physics Communications 180(10), 1760 , 2009
Charge Conservation	„Villasenor-Buneman“, „Esirkepov“, „Umeda“/“Zig-Zag“, etc.
„Numerical Heating“	E. Cormier-Michel, et al., <i>Unphysical kinetic effects in particle-in-cell modeling of laser wakefield accelerators</i> , Phys. Rev. E 78, 016404 , 2008
„Close Collisions“	Y. Sentoku, A.J. Kemp, <i>Numerical methods for particle simulations at extreme densities and temperatures: Weighted particles, relativistic collisions and reduced currents</i> , Journal of Computational Physics 227(14), 6846 , 2008

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Field Ionization	R. Nuter et al., <i>Field ionization model implemented in Particle In Cell code and applied to laser-accelerated carbon ions</i> , Phys. Plasmas 18, 033107 , 2011
Collisional Ionization	A.J. Kemp, et al., <i>Modeling ultrafast laser-driven ionization dynamics with Monte Carlo collisional particle-in-cell simulations</i> , Phys. Plasmas 11, 5648 , 2004
Energy Transport in overdense Plasmas	R. Mishra, et. al., <i>Collisional particle-in-cell modeling for energy transport accompanied by atomic processes in dense plasmas</i> , Phys. Plasmas 20, 072704 , 2013
„Numerical Dispersion“	R. Lehe, et al., <i>Elimination of Numerical Cherenkov Instability in flowing-plasma Particle-In-Cell simulations by using Galilean coordinates</i> , arXiv:1608.00227 [physics.plasm-ph] , 2016
Phase space sampling	M. Vranic, et al., <i>Particle merging algorithm for PIC codes</i> , Computer Physics Communications 191, 65, 2015
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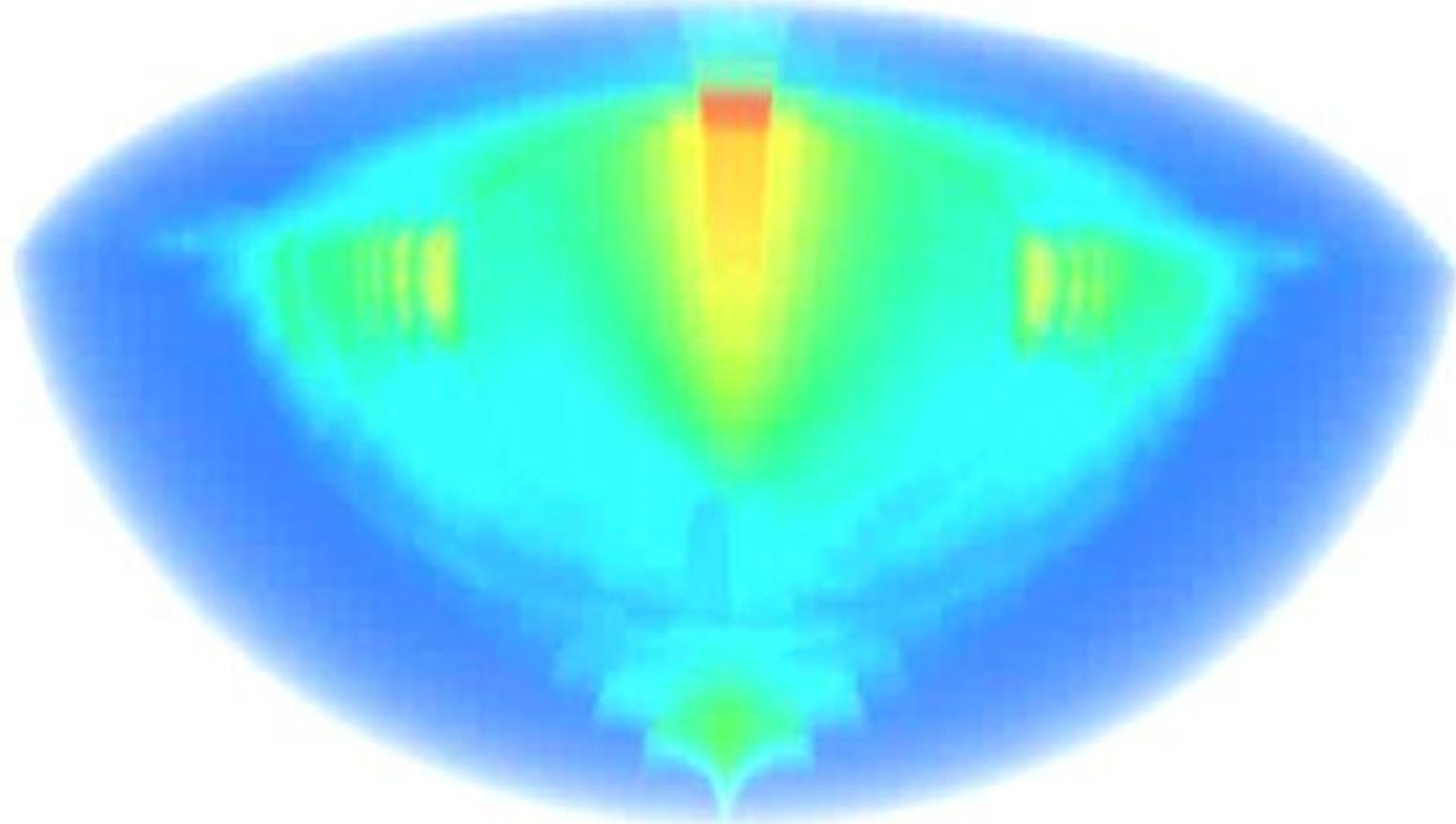
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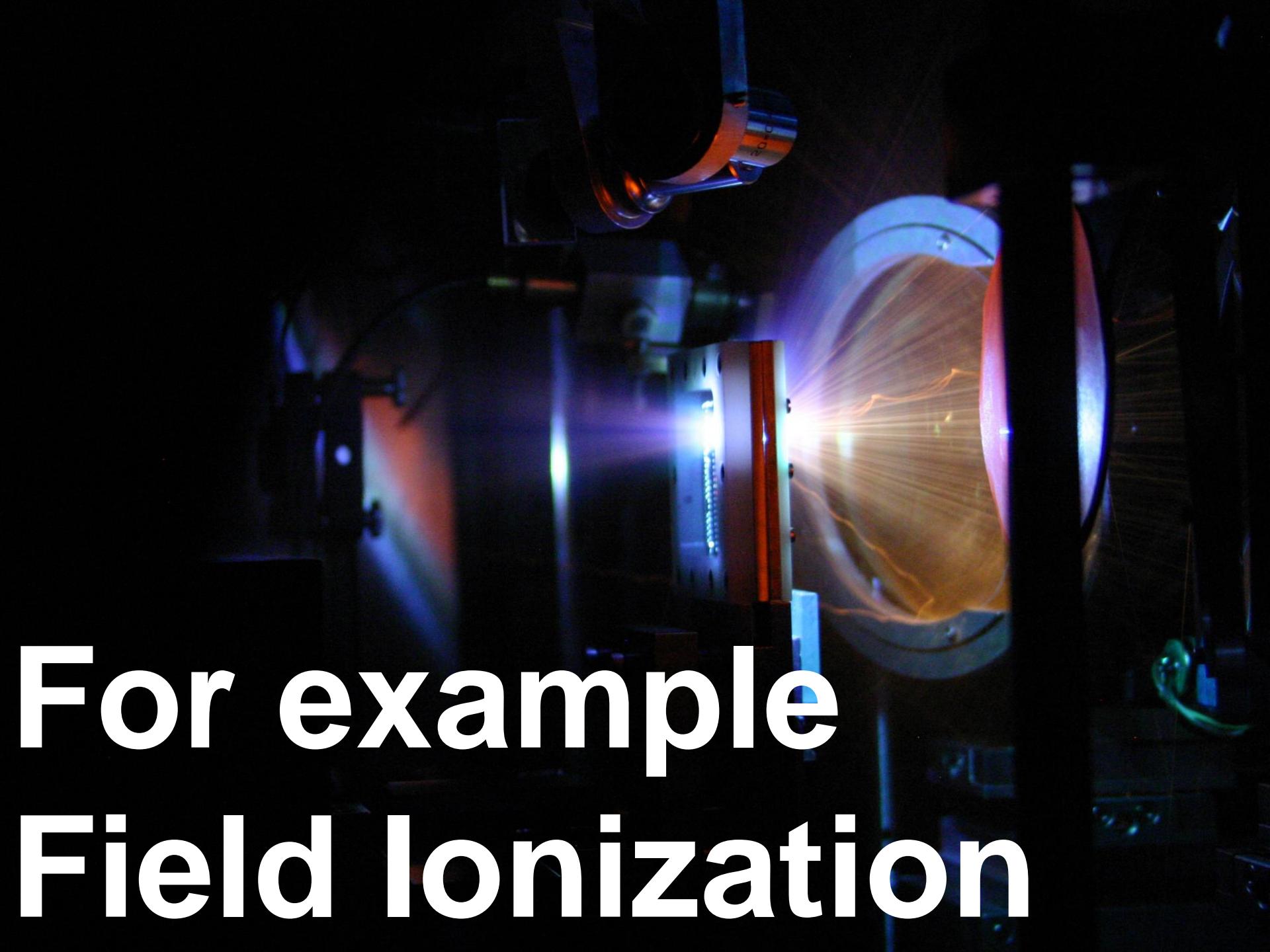
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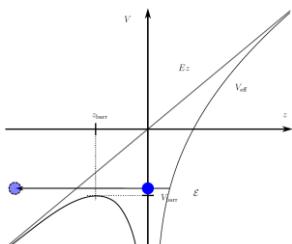
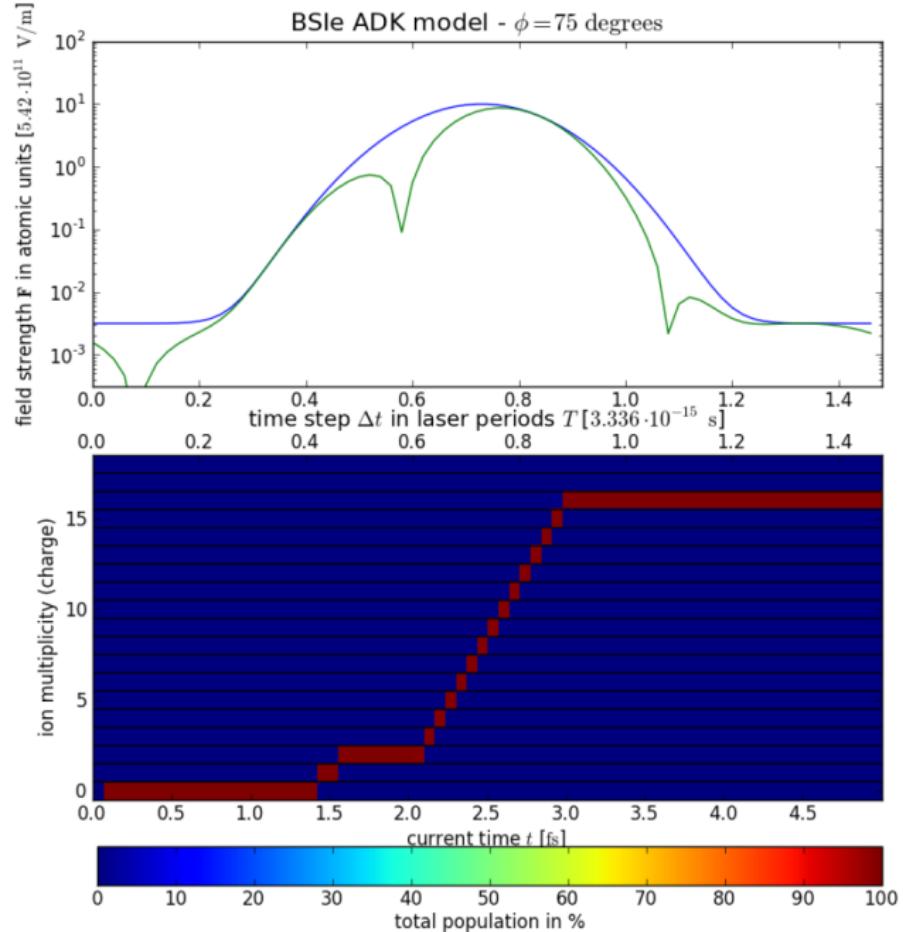
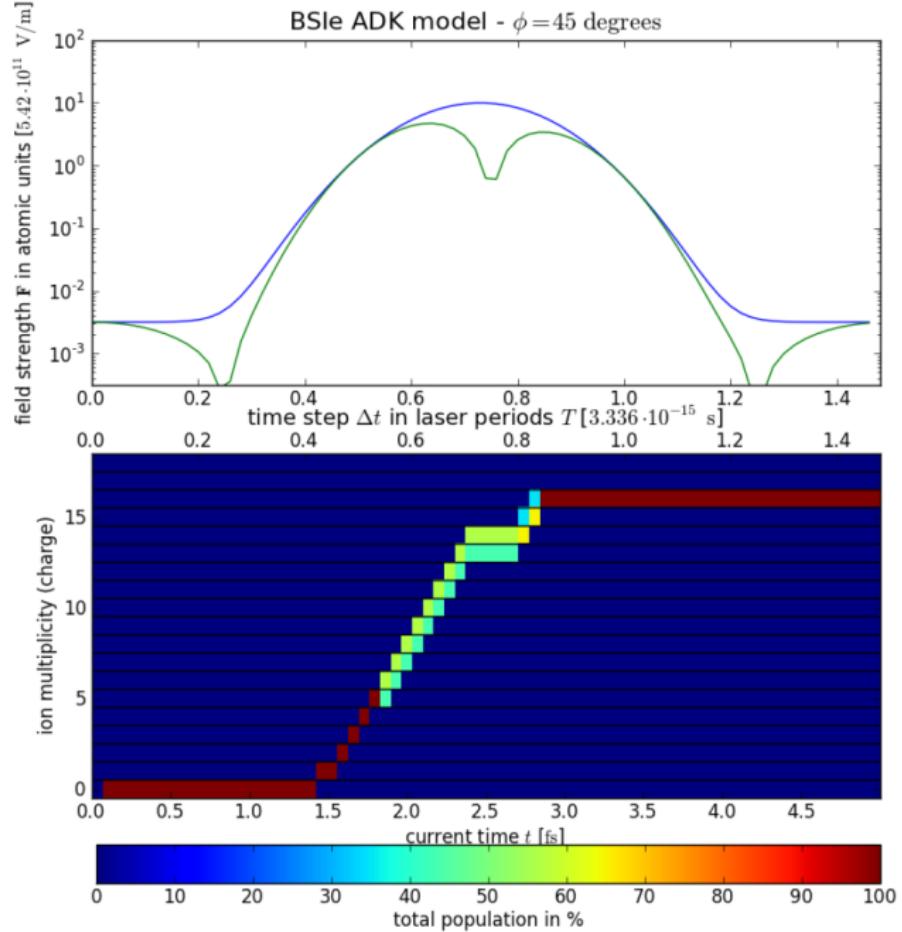
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For example
Field ionization

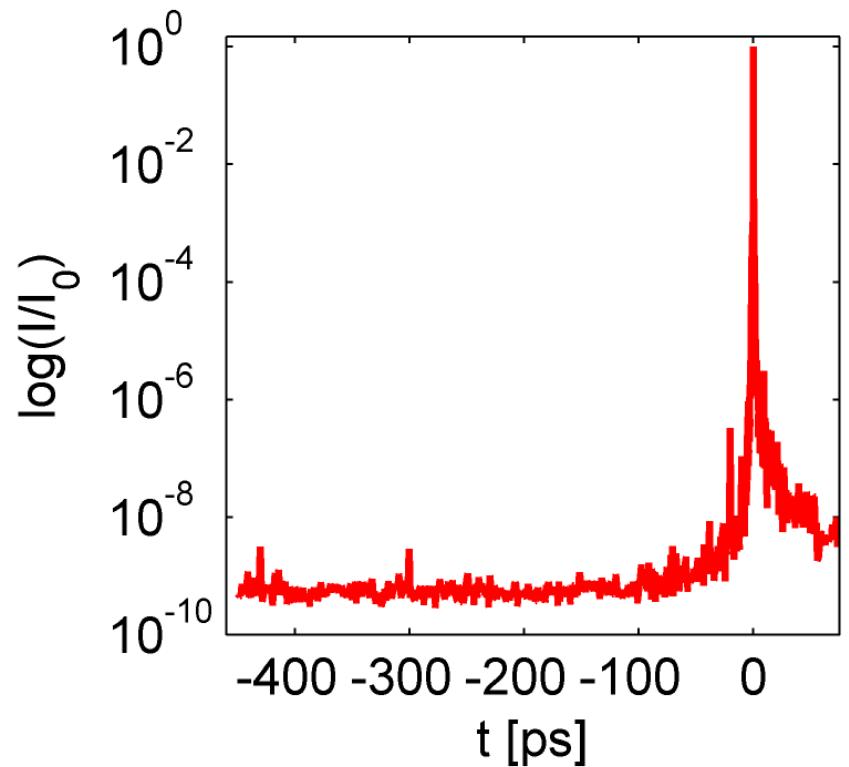
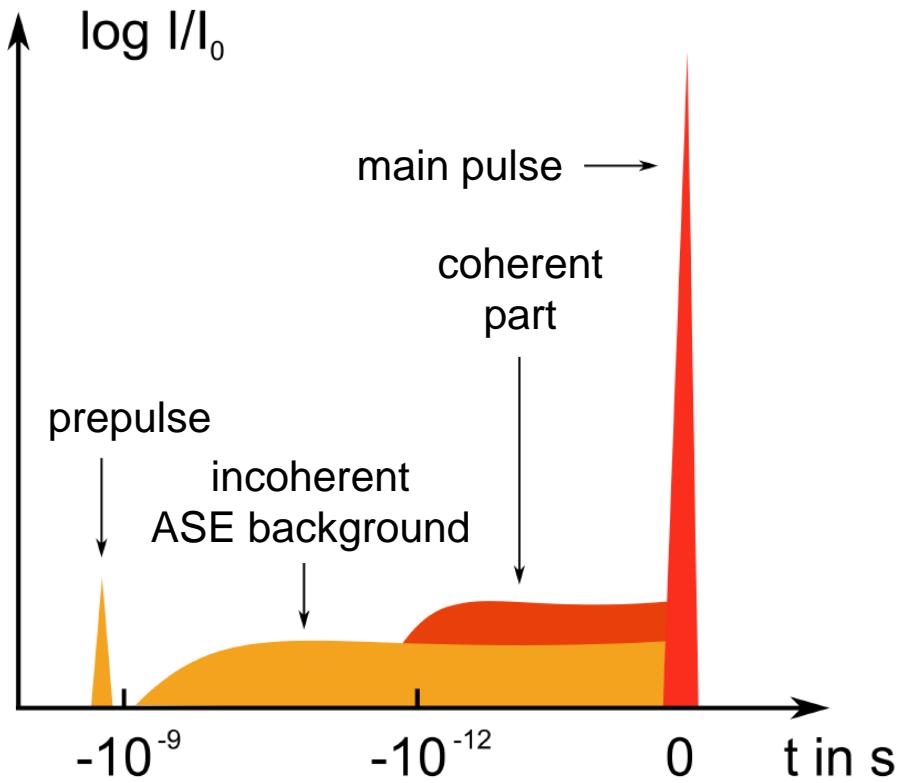
Carrier-envelope Phase influences Femtosecond Field Ionization



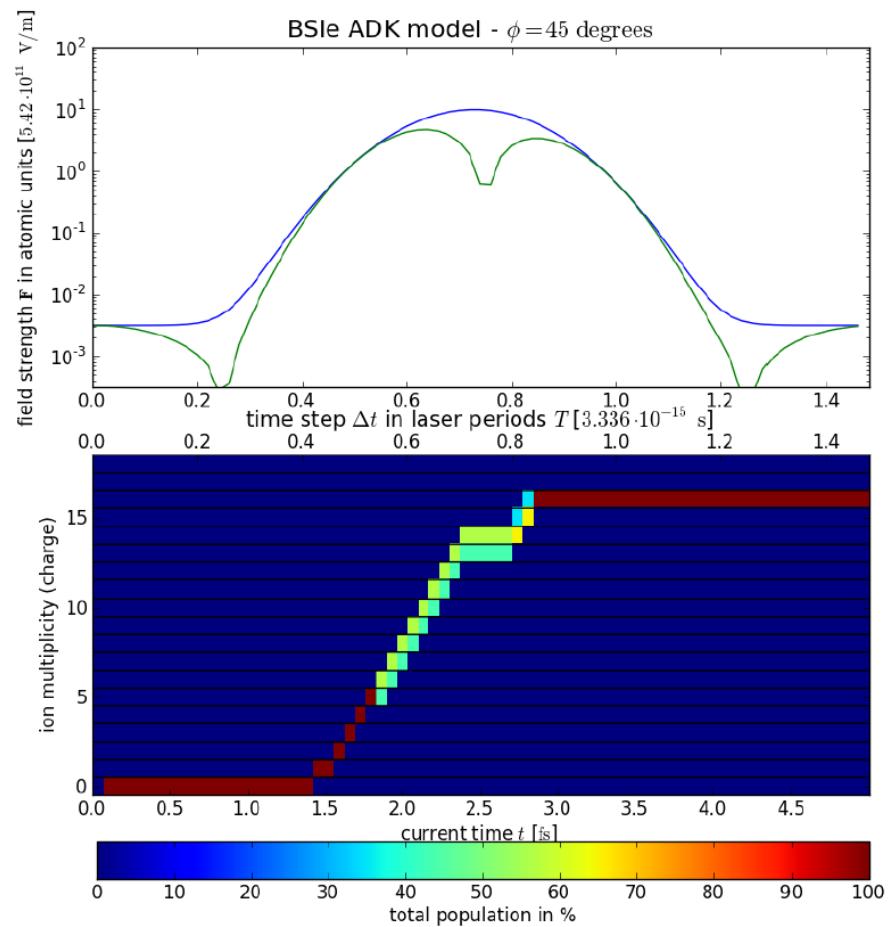
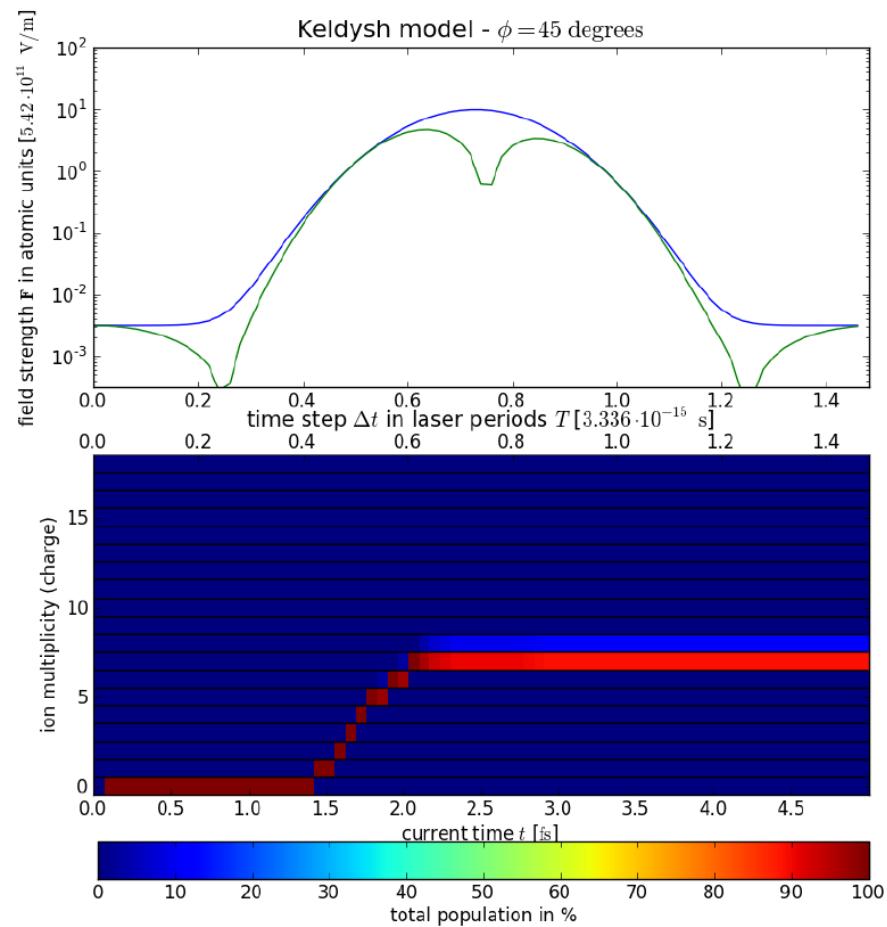
DRESDEN
concept

HZDR

At best we know the Laser Contrast at one position in the beam



Choice of Field Ionization Model determines Charge State

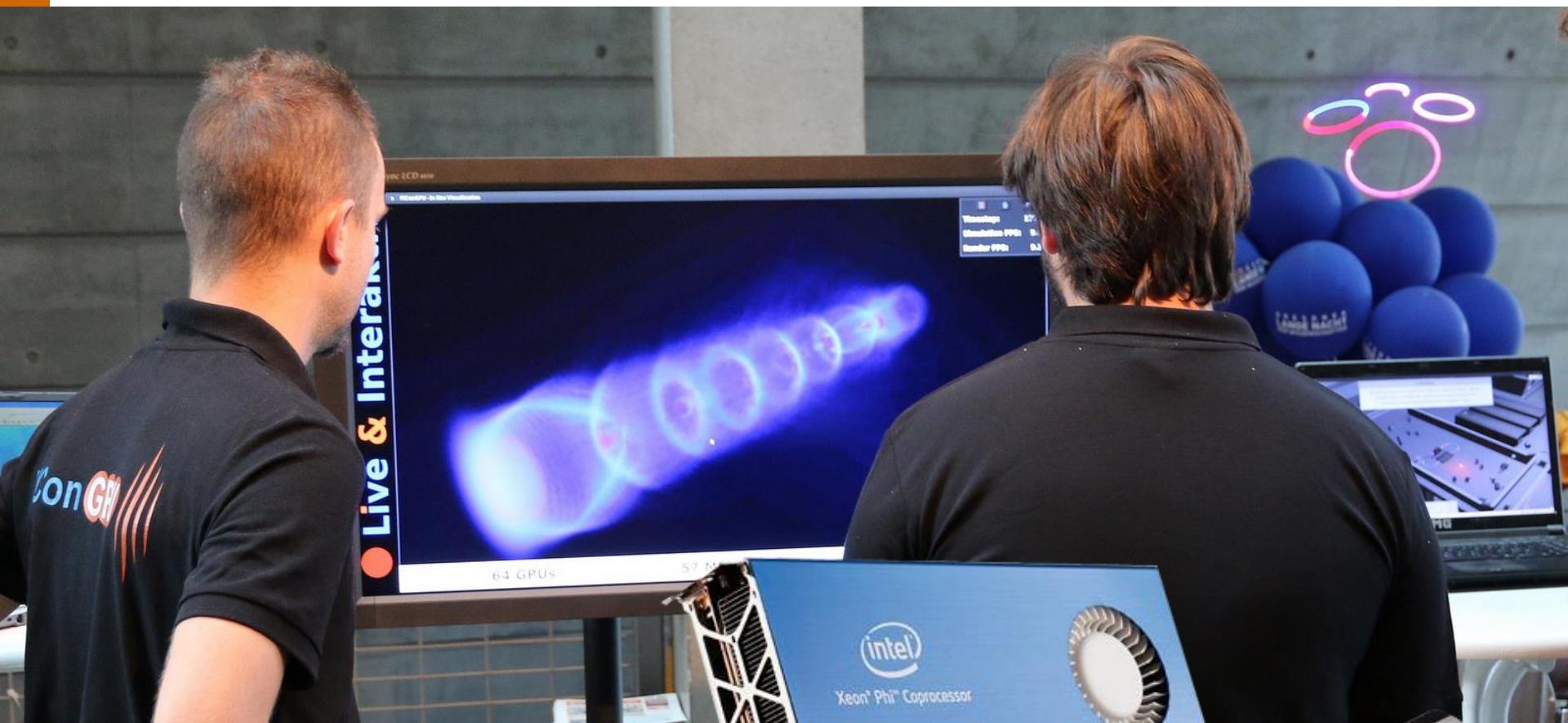


Argon ions, $\lambda = 1 \mu\text{m}$, Keldysh vs. ADK, Marco Garten

Solution: High performance computing

- **Repeat simulations for...**
- ... computing stochastic errors from sampling
- ... computing systematic errors from models
- ... parameter scans in range of initial conditions
- Integrate simulated (synthetic) diagnostics





Modern Hardware



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TOP 10 Sites for June 2016

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1	National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi China	Sunway TaihuLight - Sunway MPP, Sunway SW26010 260C 1.45GHz, Sunway NRCPC	10,649,600	93,014.6	125,435.9	15,371	SW26010	OpenAcc
2	National Super Computer Center in Guangzhou China	Tianhe-2 (MilkyWay-2) - TH-IVB-FEP Cluster, Intel Xeon E5-2692 12C 2.200GHz, TH Express-2, Intel Xeon Phi 31S1P NUDT	3,120,000	33,862.7	54,902.4	17,808	Intel Xeon Phi	TBB, OpenMP
3	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory United States	Titan - Cray XK7 , Opteron 6274 16C 2.200GHz, Cray Gemini interconnect, NVIDIA K20x Cray Inc.	560,640	17,590.0	27,112.5	8,209	Nvidia Tesla	CUDA
4	DOE/NNSA/LLNL United States	Sequoia - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60 GHz, Custom IBM	1,572,864	17,173.2	20,132.7	7,890	IBM PowerPC	OpenMP
5	RIKEN Advanced Institute for Computational Science (AICS) Japan	K computer, SPARC64 VIIIIfx 2.0GHz, Tofu interconnect Fujitsu	705,024	10,510.0	11,280.4	12,660	Sparc 64	OpenMP
6	DOE/SC/Argonne National Laboratory United States	Mira - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60GHz, Custom IBM	786,432	8,586.6	10,066.3	3,945		
7	DOE/NNSA/LANL/SNL United States	Trinity - Cray XC40, Xeon E5-2698v3 16C 2.30GHz, Aries interconnect Cray Inc.	301,056	8,100.9	11,078.9		Intel x86	TBB, OpenMP

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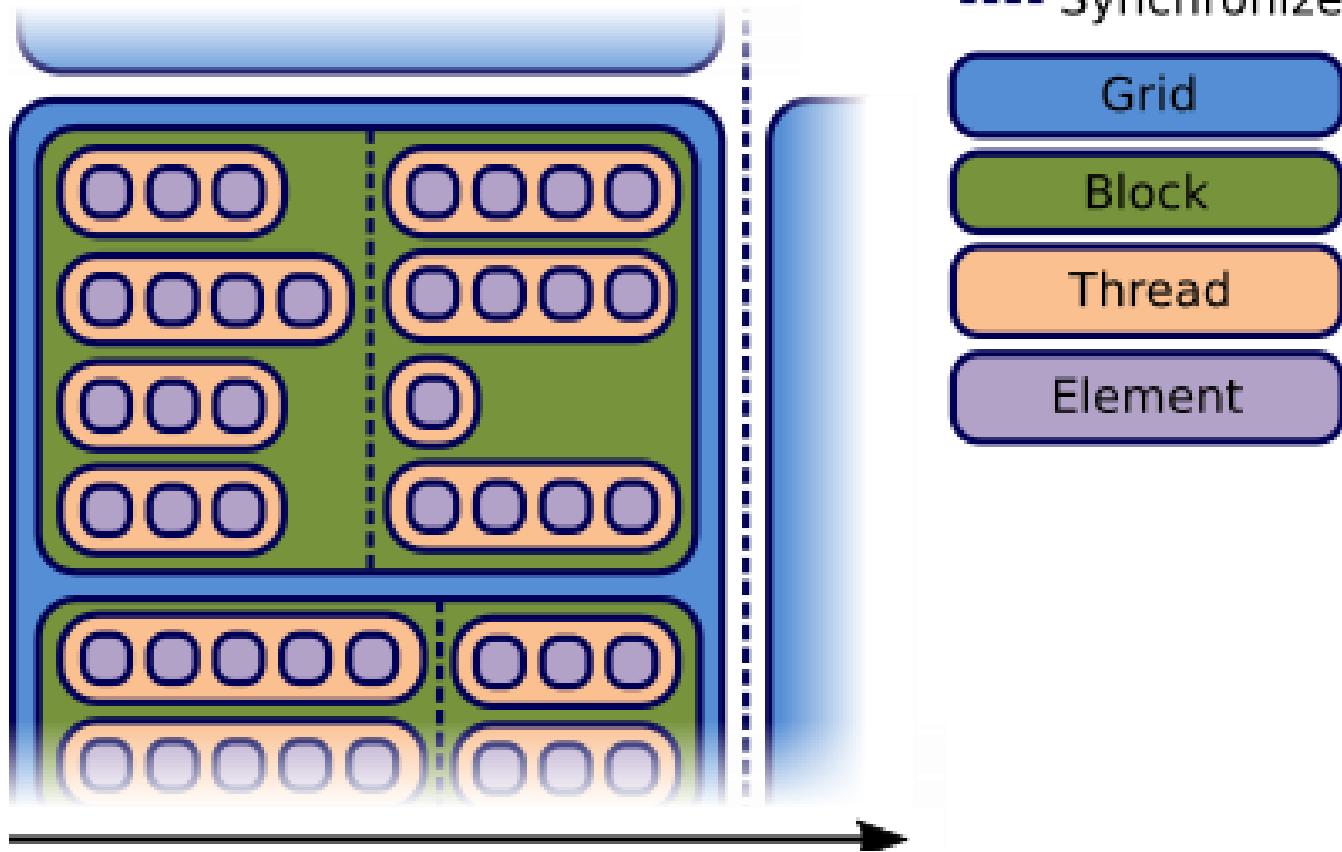
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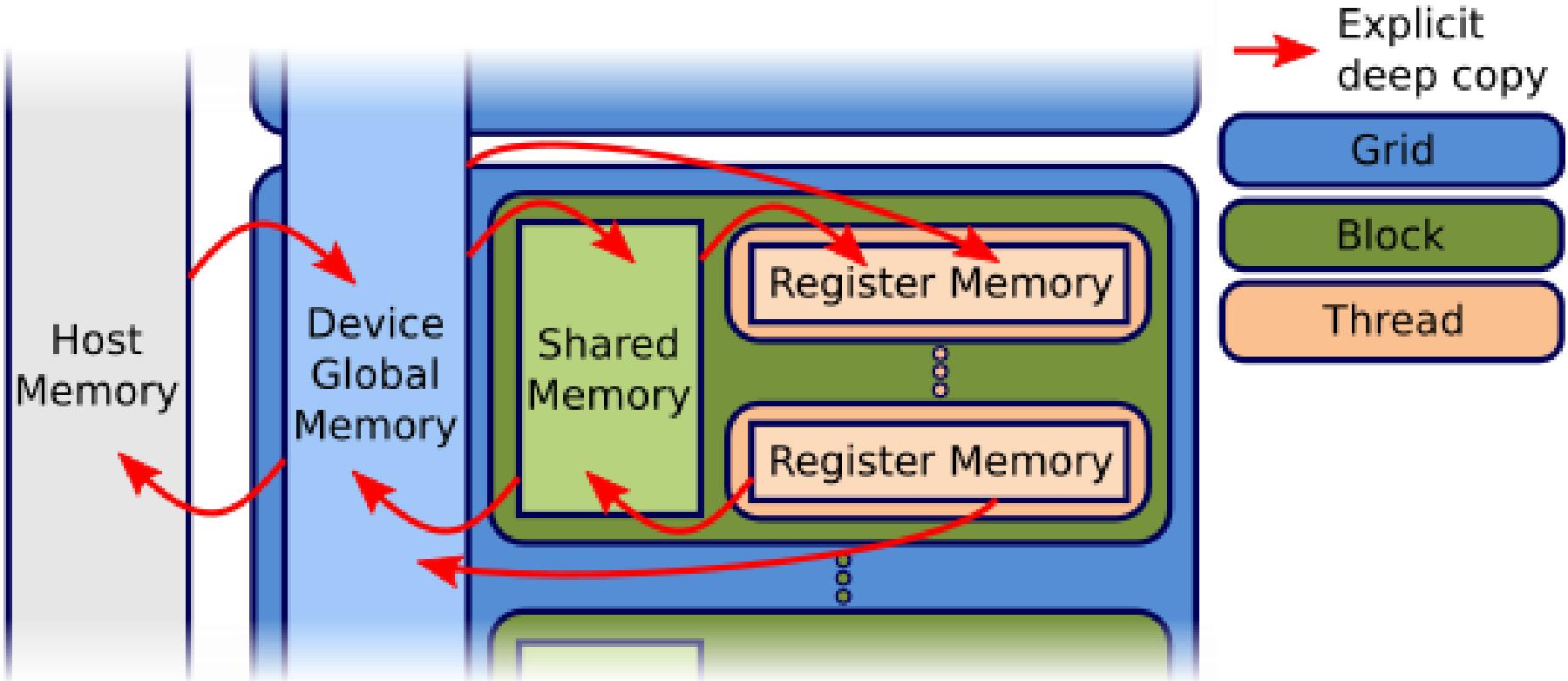
There is **not a single** programming model that provides you performance on all architectures (forget about OpenCL)

Architecture	Best Practice Programming
SW26010	OpenAcc
Intel Xeon Phi	TBB, OpenMP
Nvidia Tesla	CUDA
IBM PowerPC	OpenMP
Sparc 64	OpenMP
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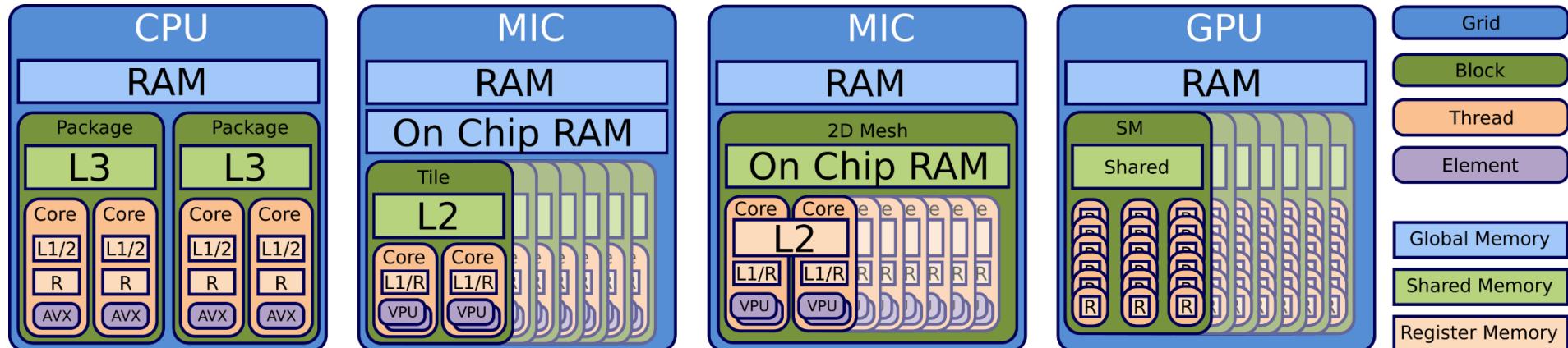
Modern Hardware – Levels of Parallelism



Modern Hardware – Memory Hierarchy



Modern Hardware – Mapping of Hierarchies to Hardware

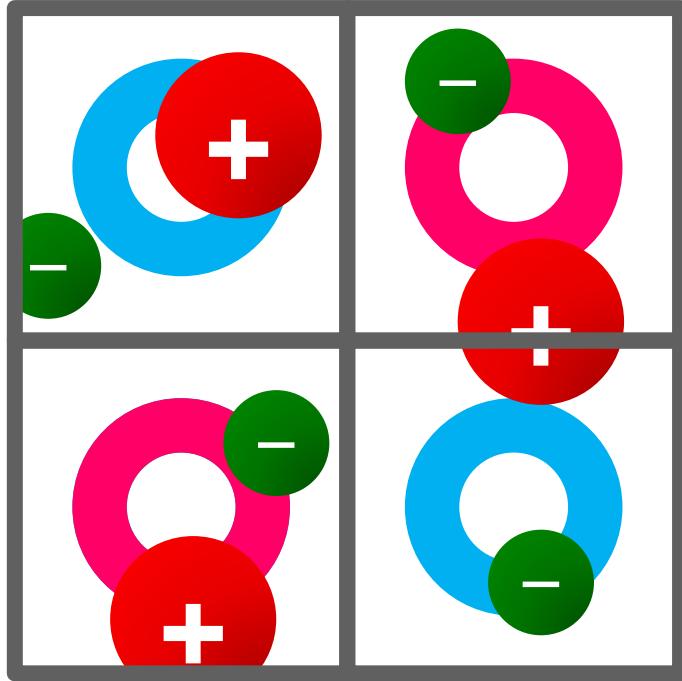


90 % of code is management, 10% Physics

How do you get fast?

- Put everything you need in the fastest memory
(data parallelism)
- Do independent parts of the algorithm in parallel
(task parallelism)

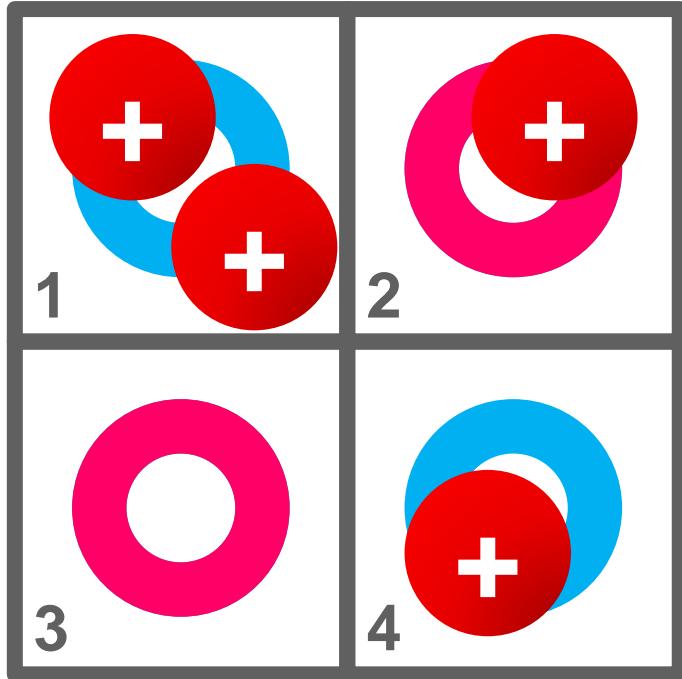
Domain Decomposition – Field and Particle Domain



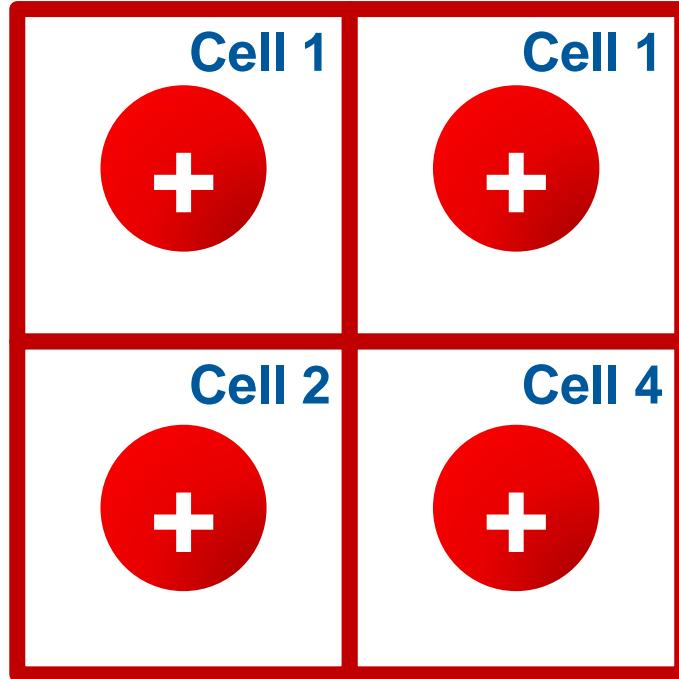
Field Domain

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Use Vectorized, Sorted Data Structures

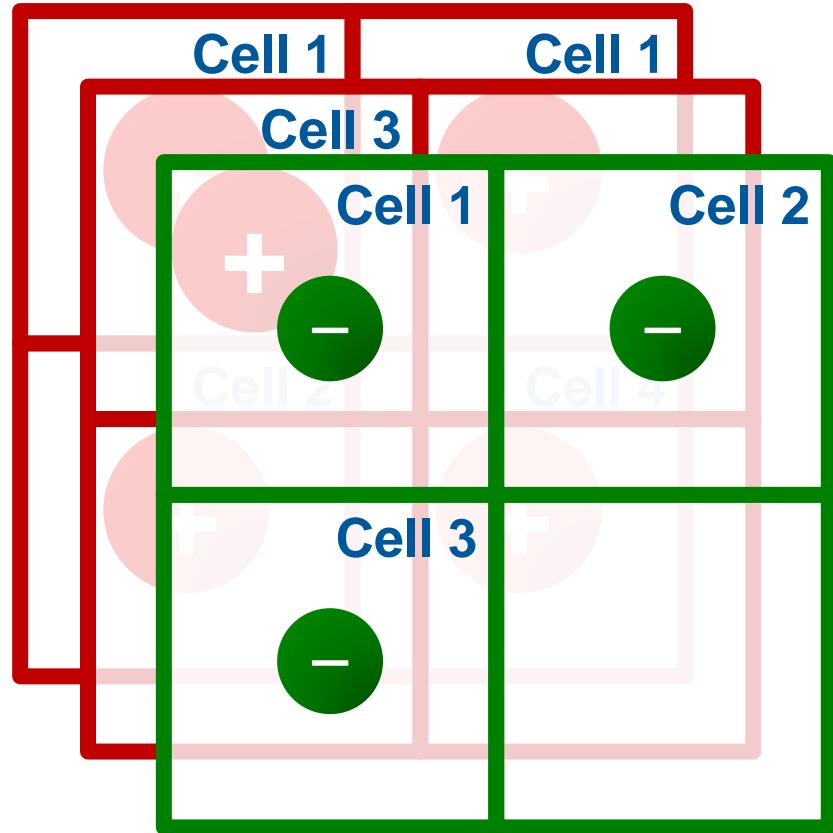
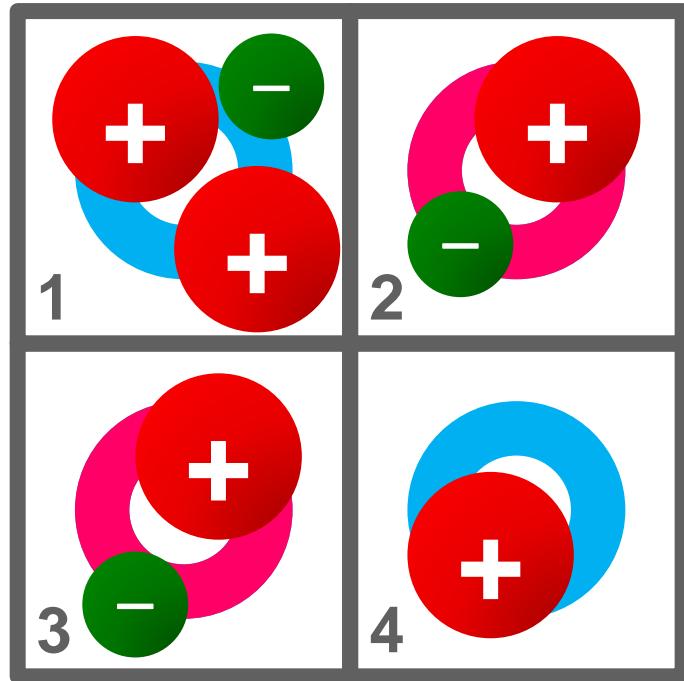


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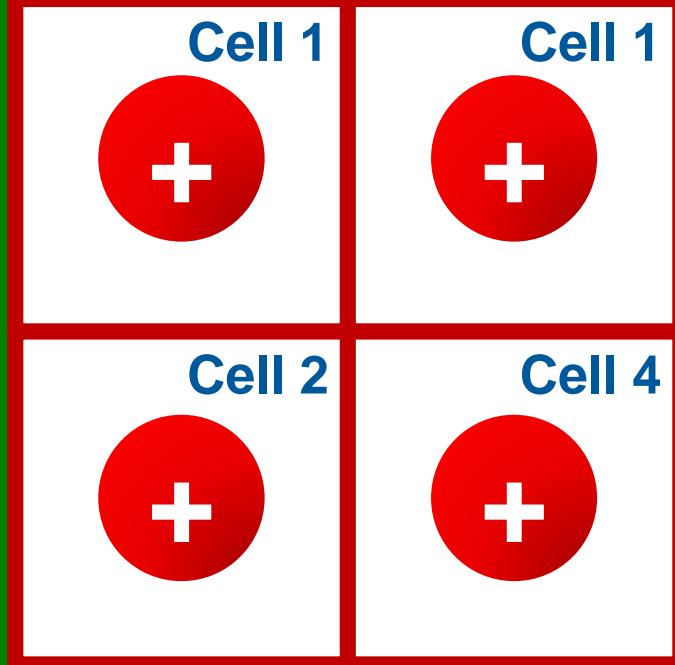
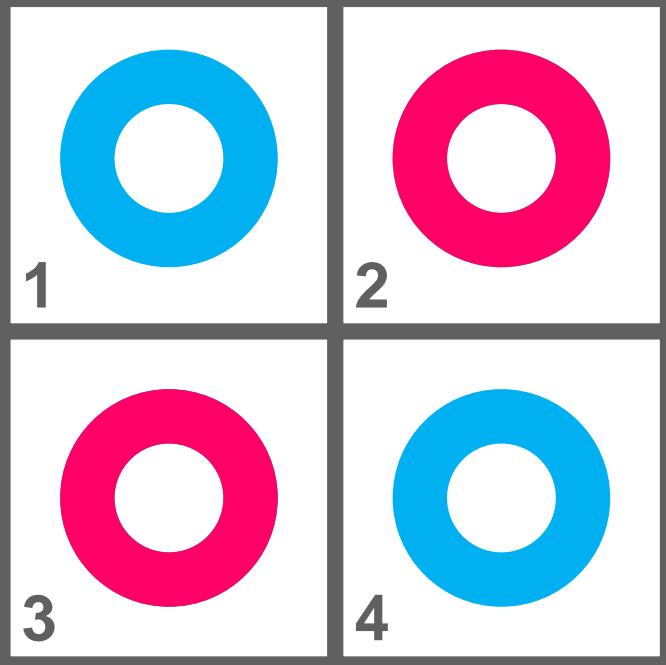


Particle Domain

Add Particles

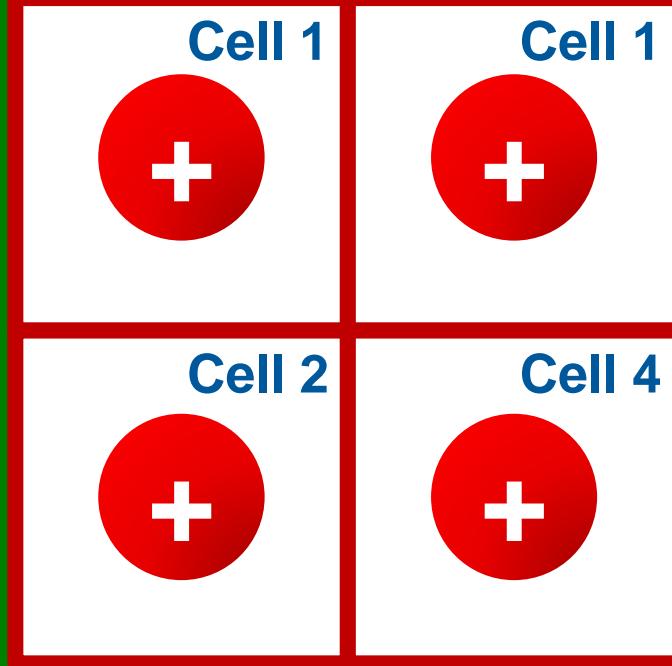
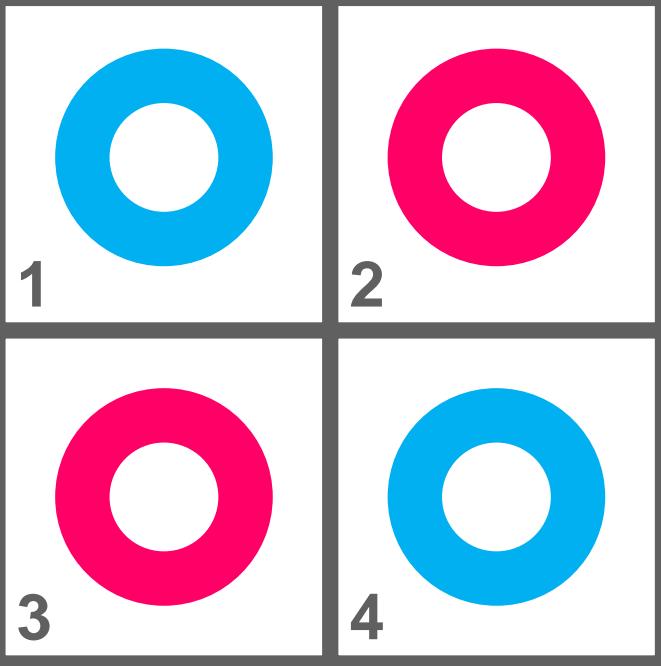


Put Data in Fast Memory



SHARED MEMORY for Communication (REGISTER else)

Cell-wise Threading



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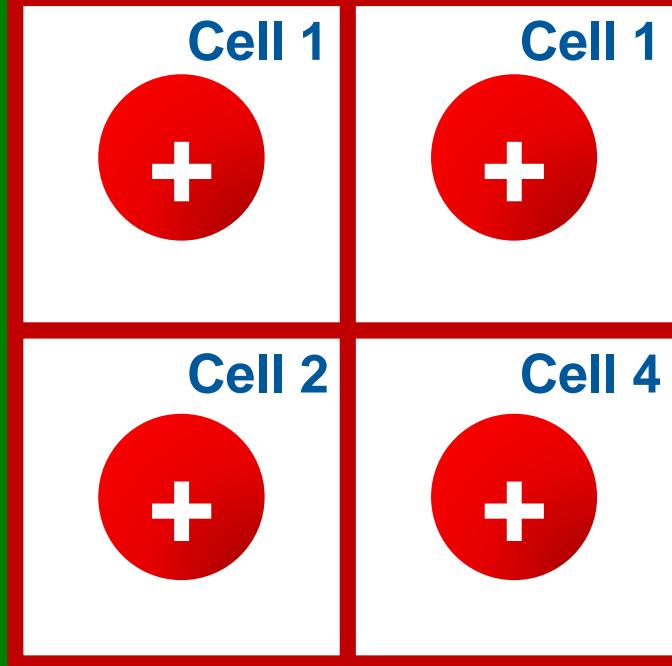
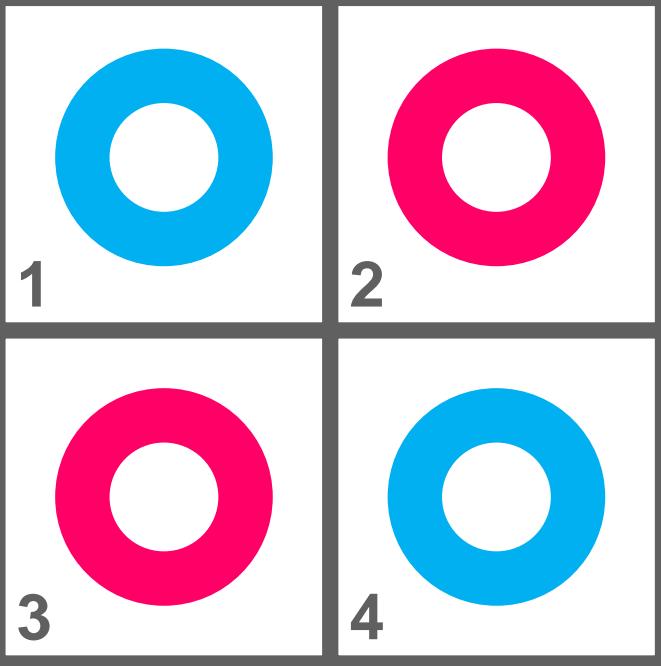
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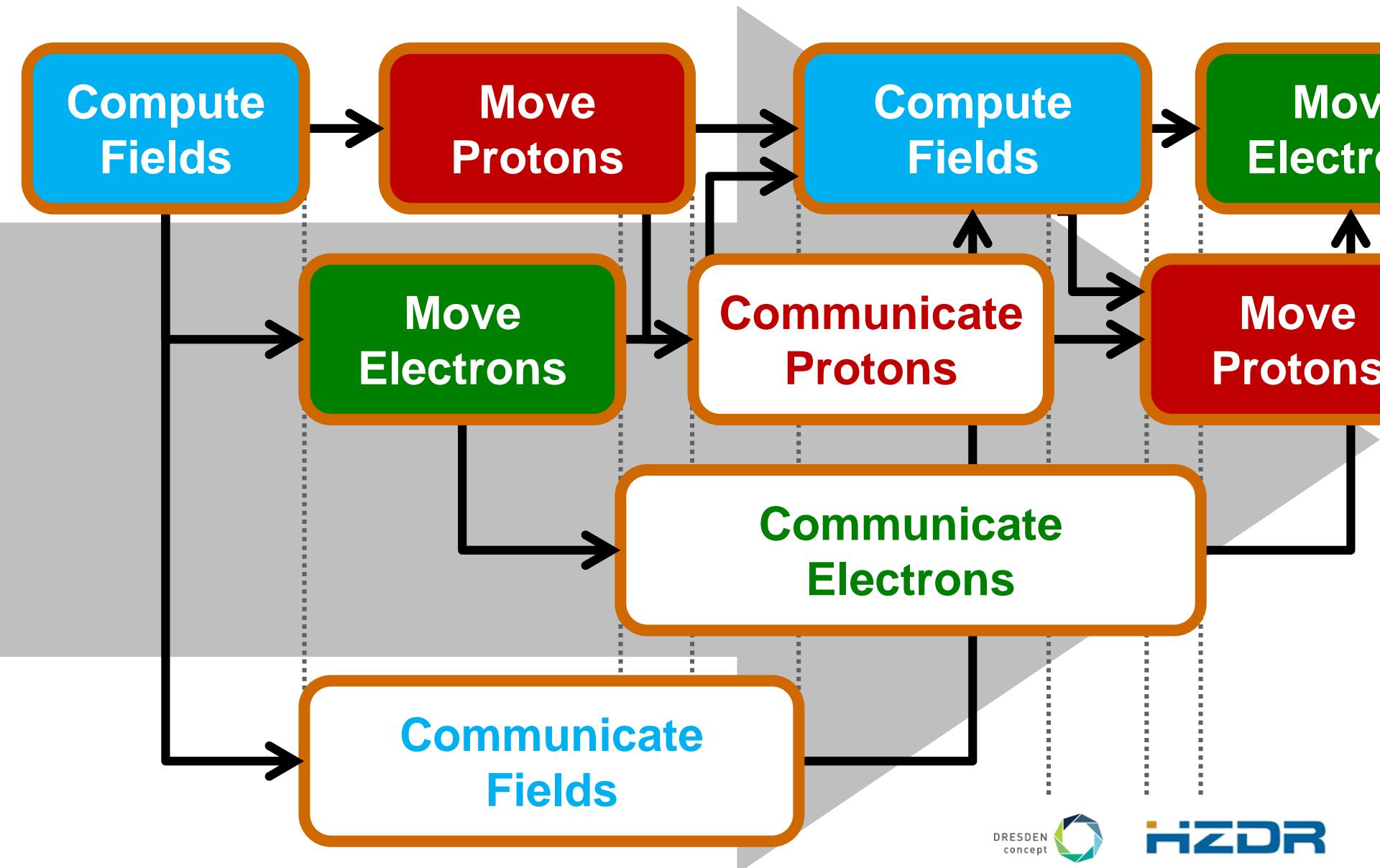
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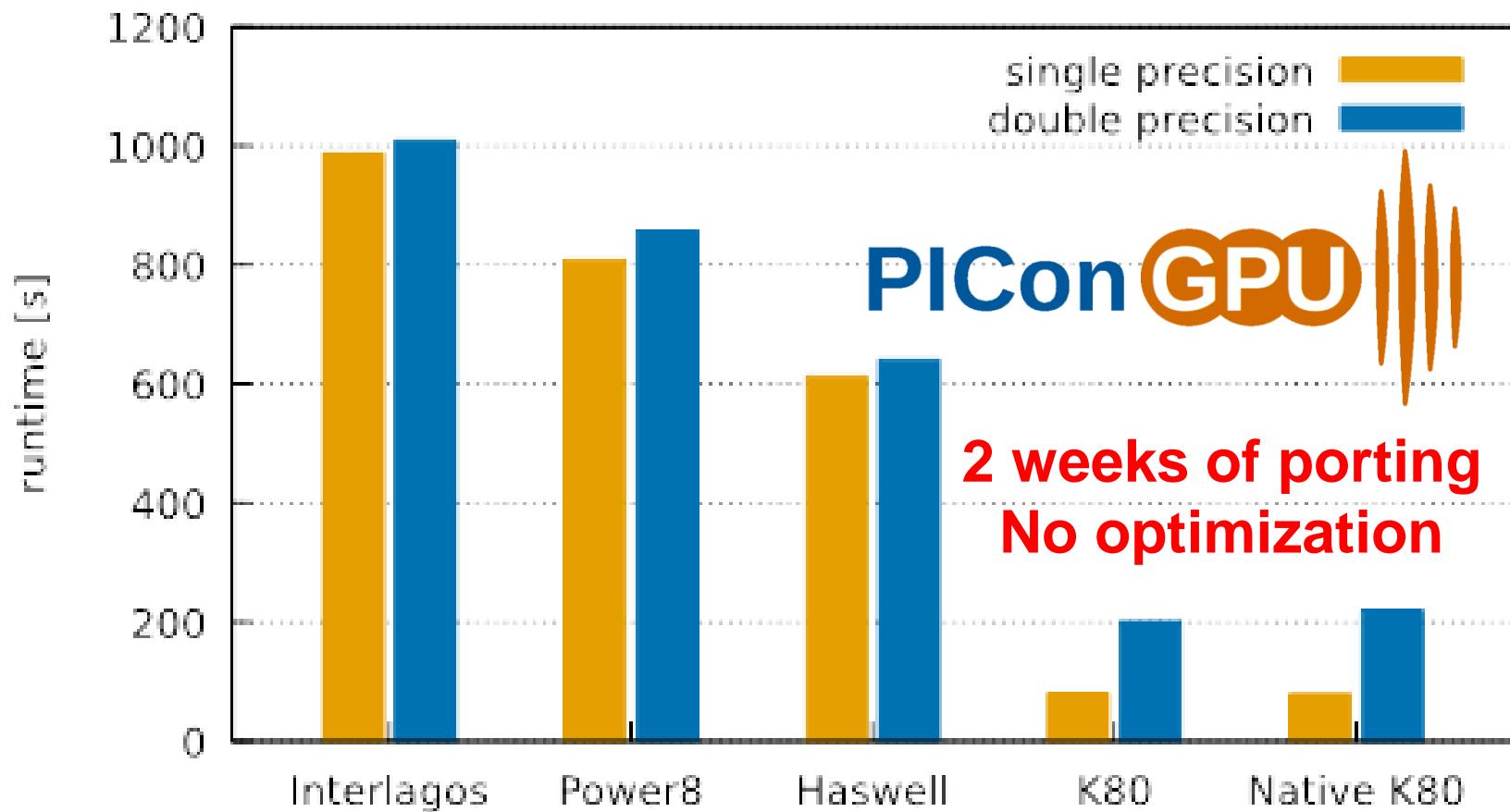
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Tasks – Concurrent Kernels, Asynchronous Communication



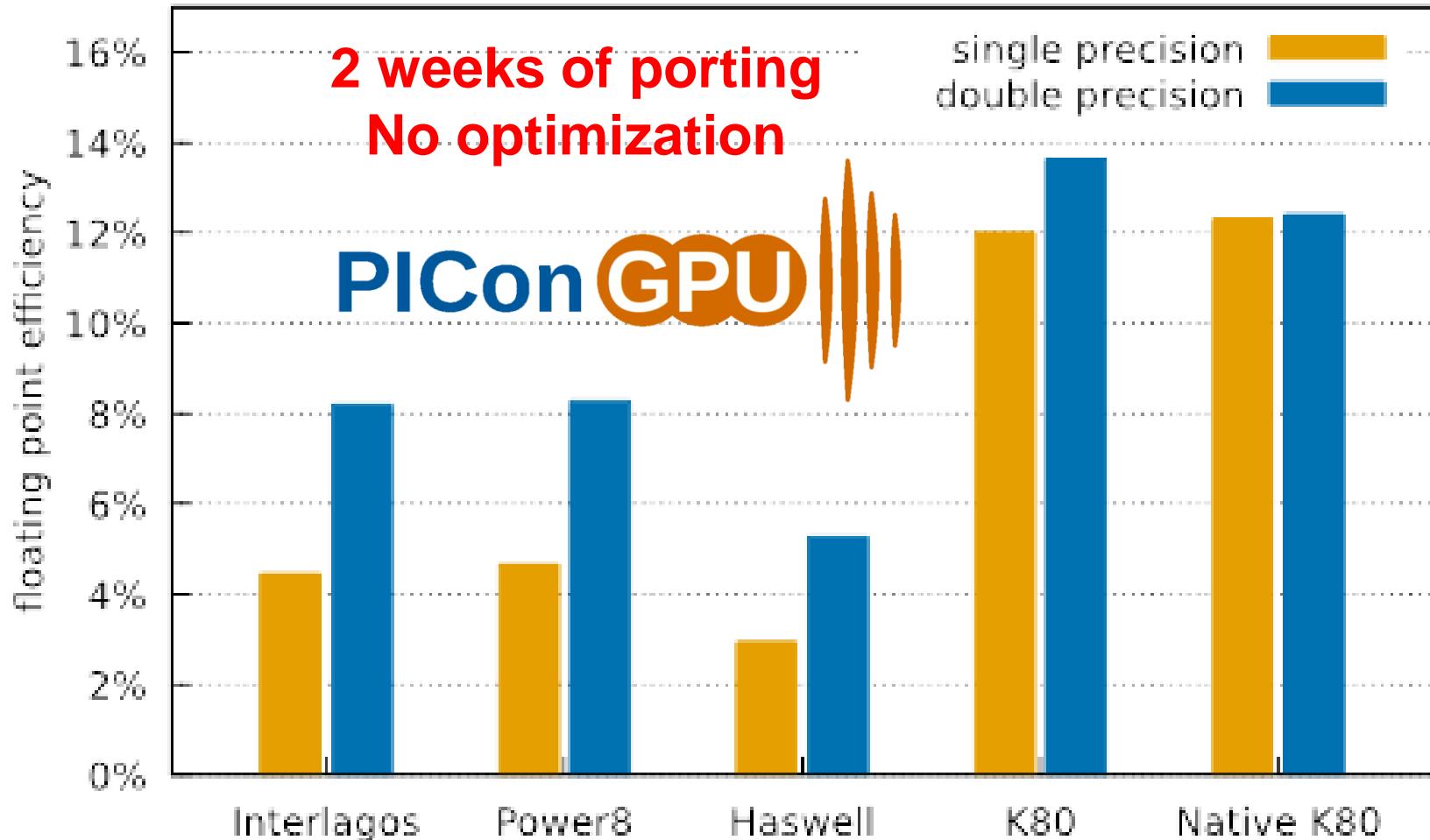
PICon on EVERY hardware with a single source



PIConGPU

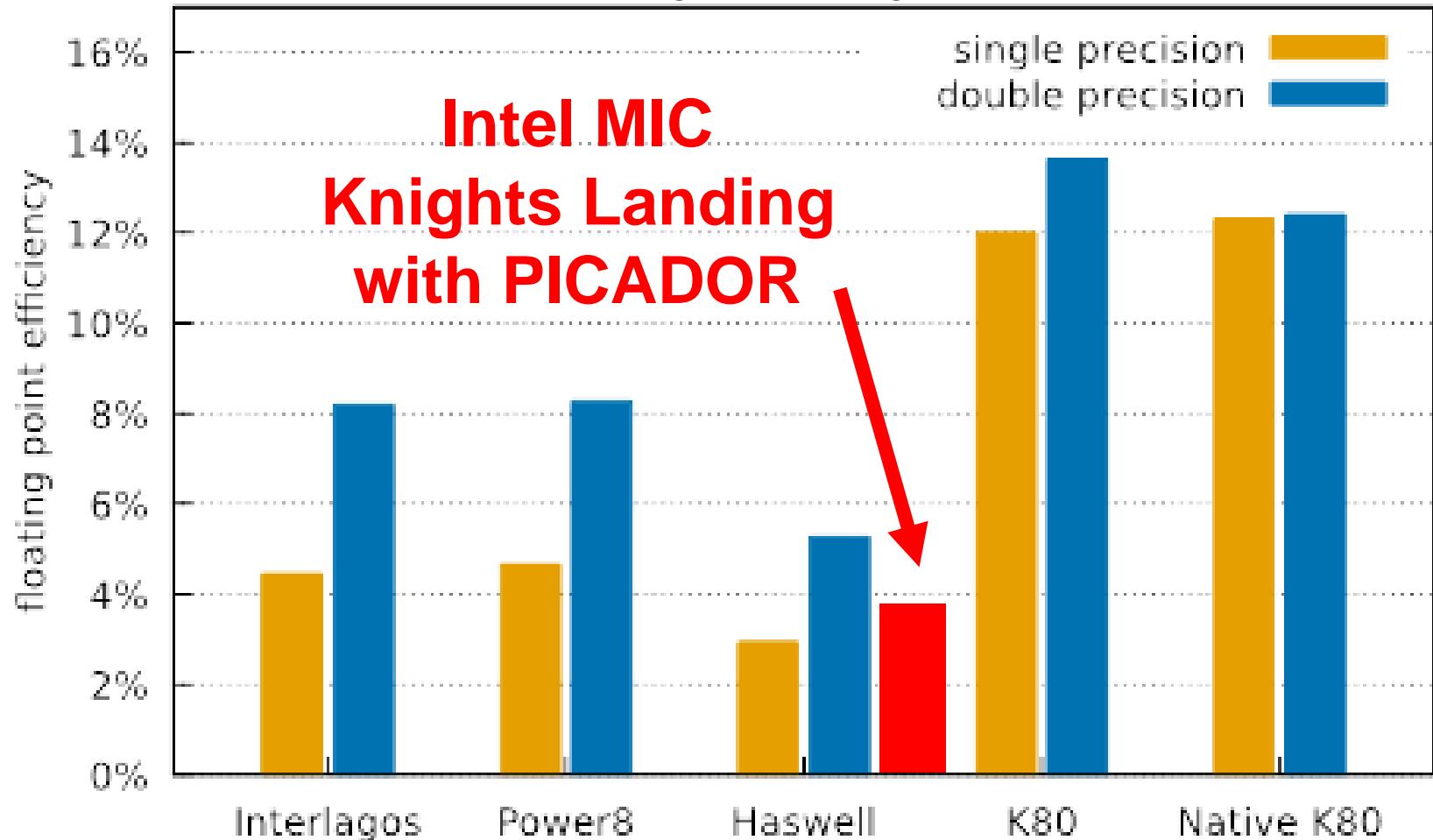
2 weeks of porting
No optimization

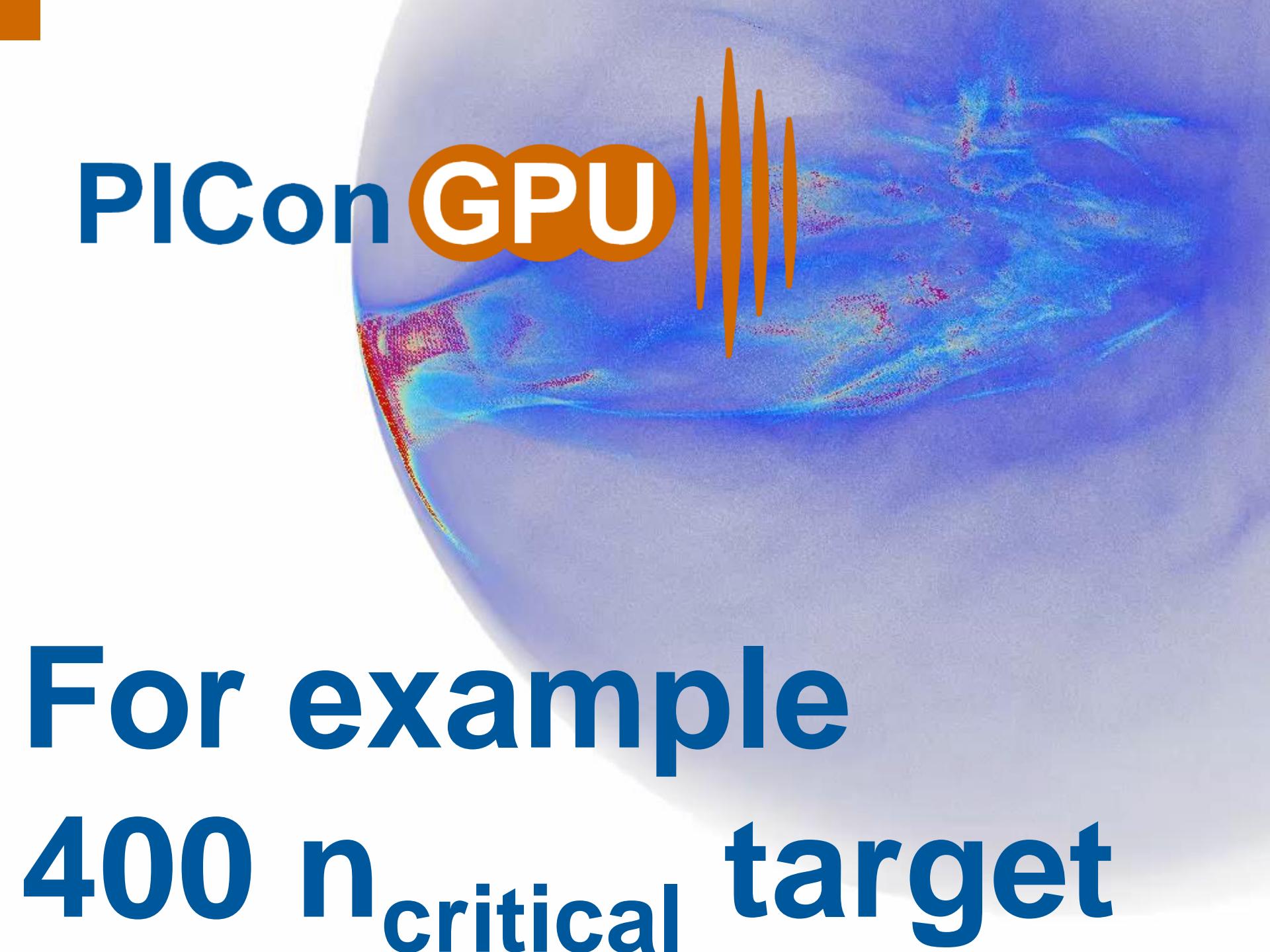
PIC is memory bound (you do not need or can use FLOPs)



Maybe we are just not smart enough?

I. Surmin, et al., *Co-design of a particle-in-cell plasma simulation code for Intel Xeon Phi: a first look at Knights Landing*, arXiv:1608.01009 [cs.DC]

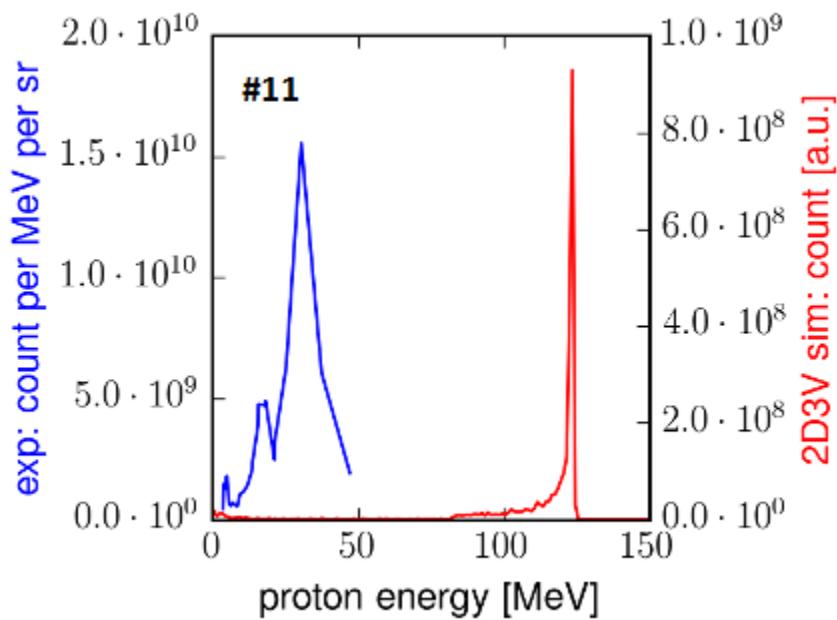


The background of the slide features a 3D simulation of plasma particles, primarily blue and red, contained within a semi-transparent sphere. The PICon GPU logo is overlaid on the top left of the sphere. The logo consists of the word "PICon" in blue and "GPU" in white, both contained within orange rounded rectangular blocks.

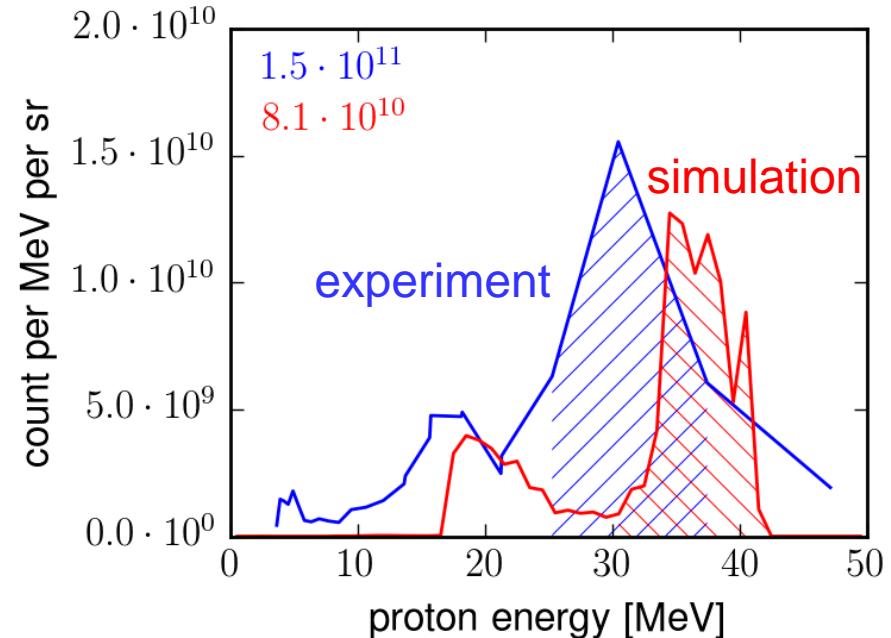
PICon GPU

For example
400 n_{critical} target

The difference between 2D and 3D for a spherical Target



2D3V

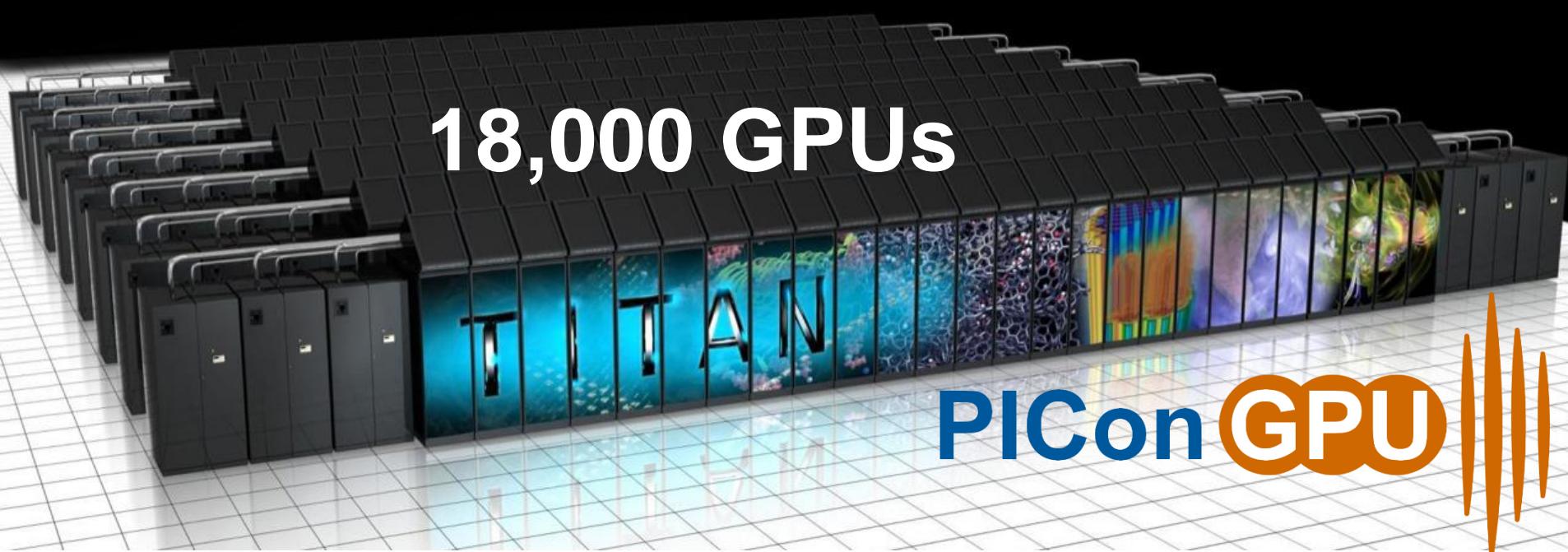


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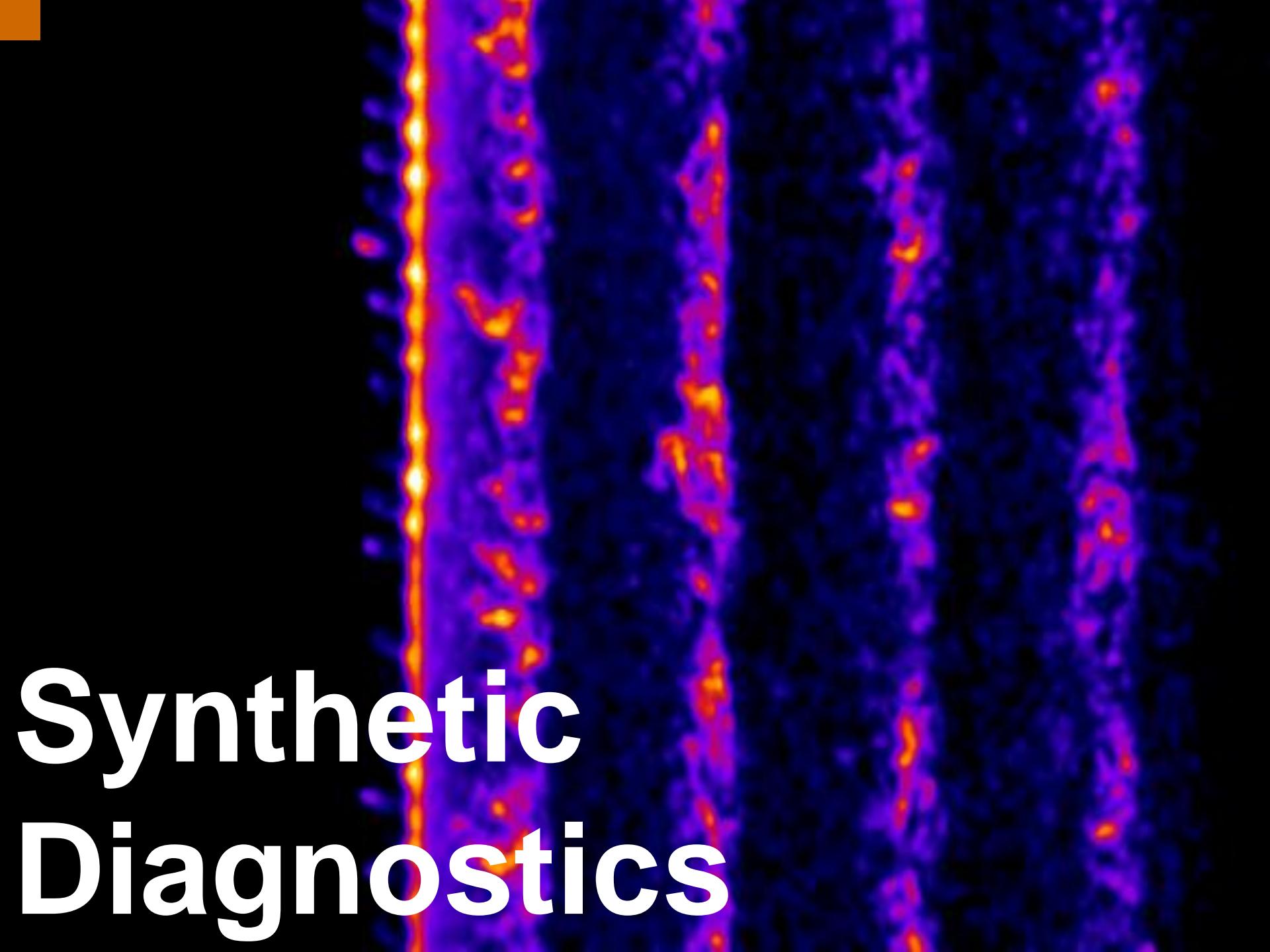
The difference between 2D and 3D in resources

- 1 x 2D3V: ~300 GB, 130 GPUhrs
- 1 x 3D3V: ~250 TB, 500.000 GPUhrs

5 ps



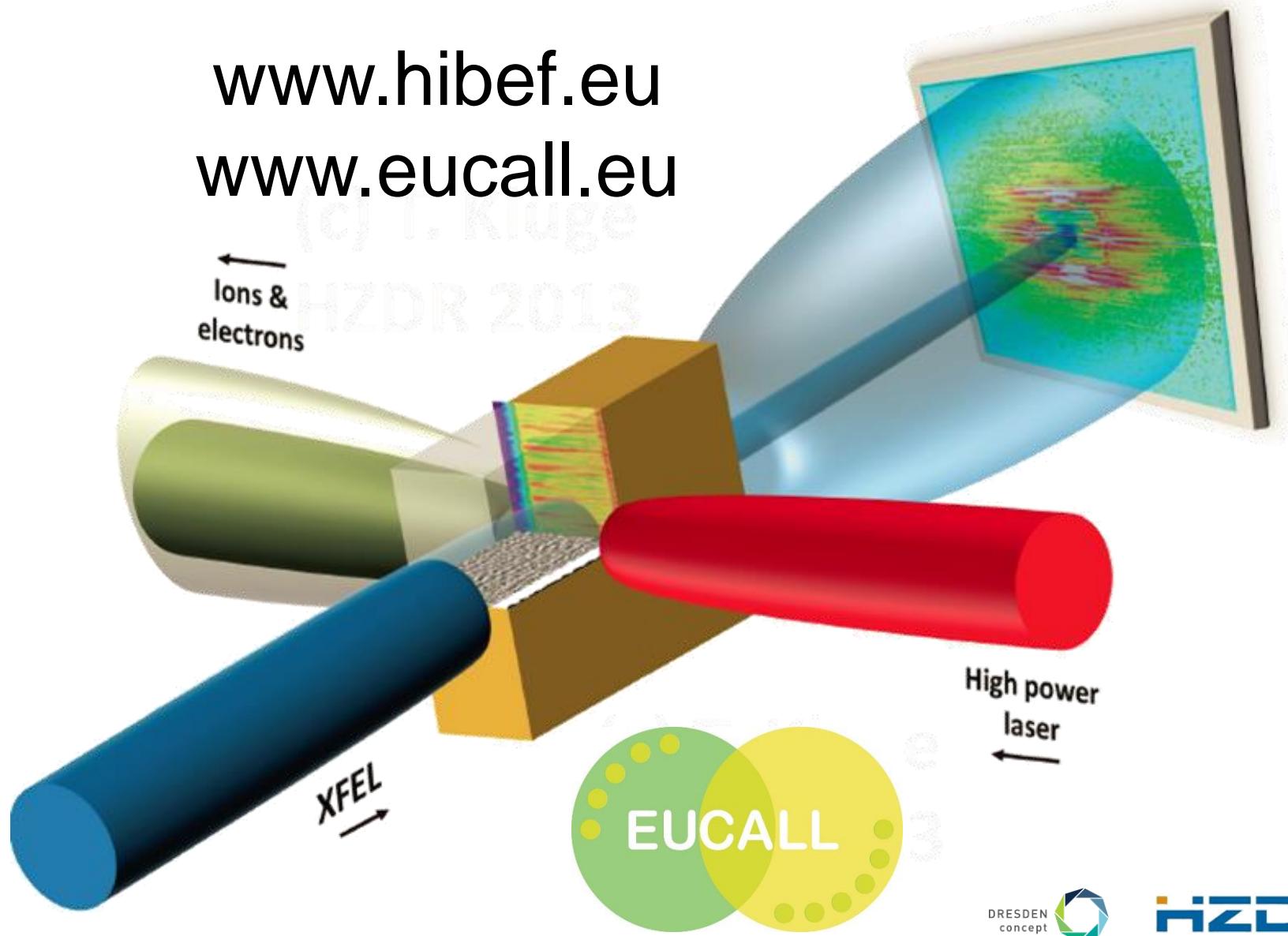
Synthetic Diagnostics



A look inside the tool box – X-Ray free electron lasers for probing

www.hibef.eu

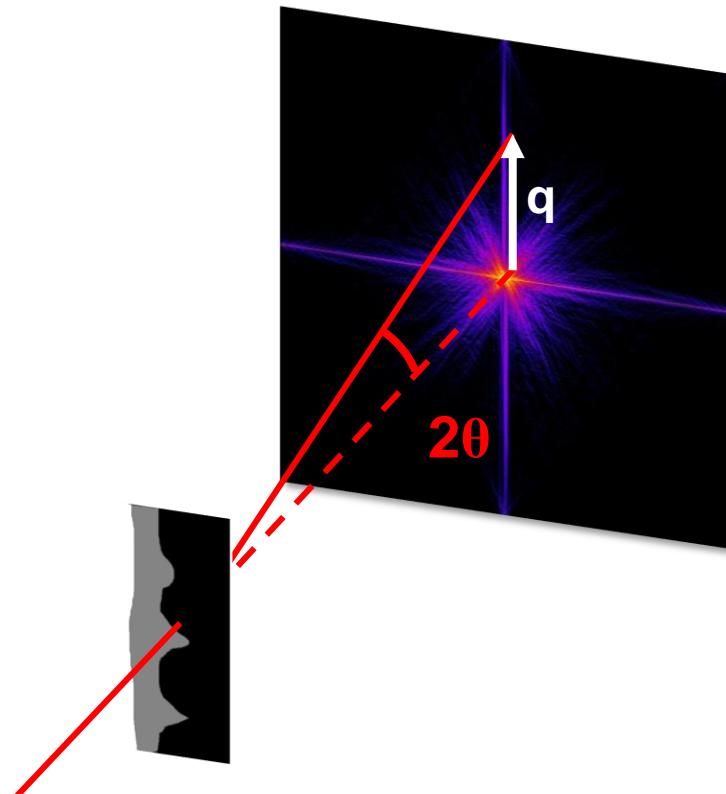
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Small Angle X-Ray Scattering (SAXS) in a nutshell

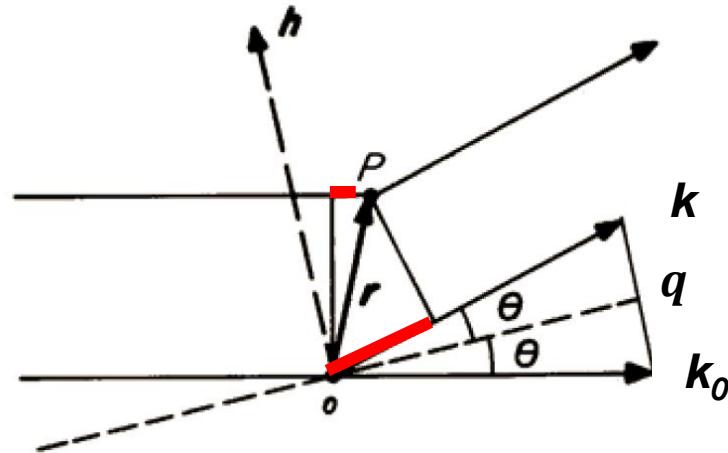
$$\Phi = \Phi_0 \cdot \Delta\Omega \cdot T \cdot \epsilon \cdot \left| r_0 \cdot \int n_e(\vec{r}) \cdot e^{i\vec{q}\vec{r}} d\vec{r} \right|^2$$

Flux	Solid angle	Transmission	Detection efficiency	Thomson scattering cross section	Fourier transform of e ⁻ density
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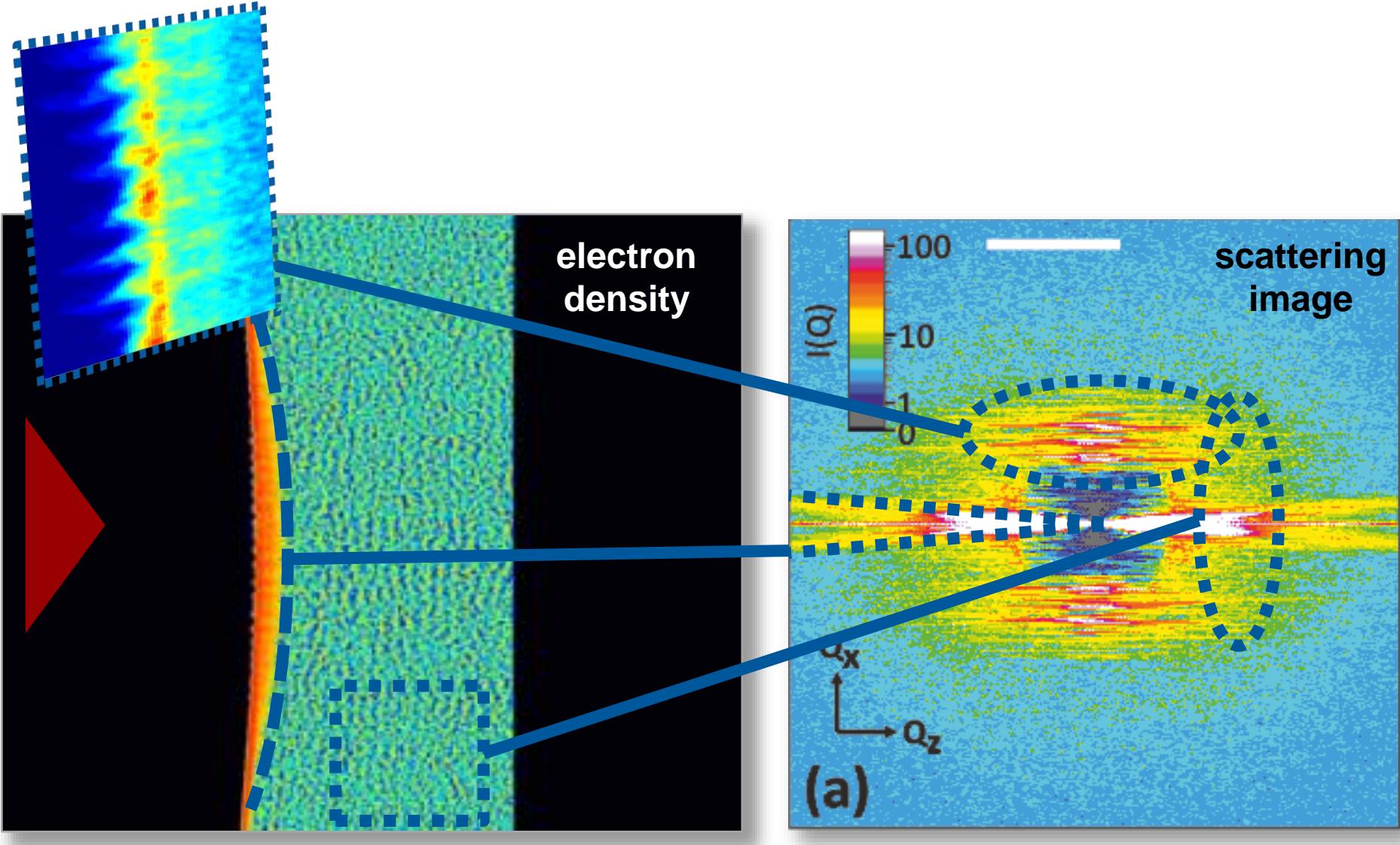


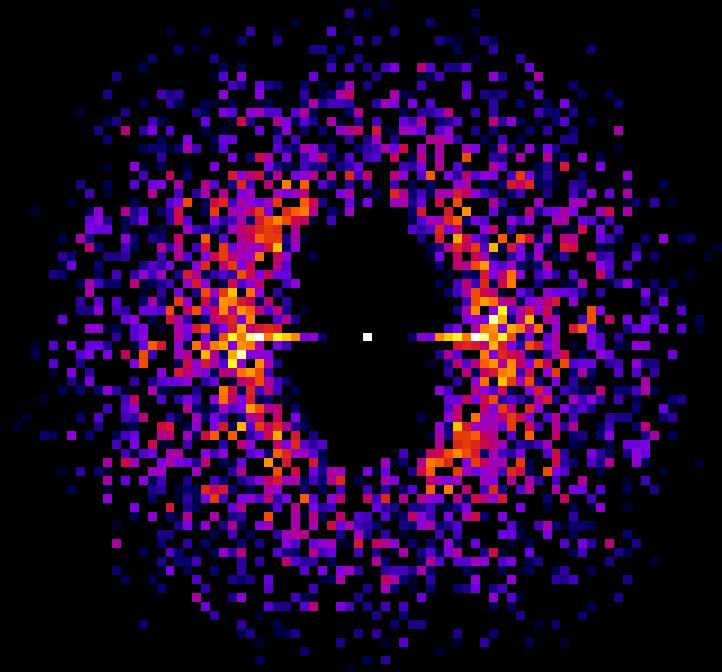
$$q = |\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_0| = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \Theta$$

$$\Delta\phi = -\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_0) = -\mathbf{r}q$$



What would we see if we probed the instabilities by SAXS?



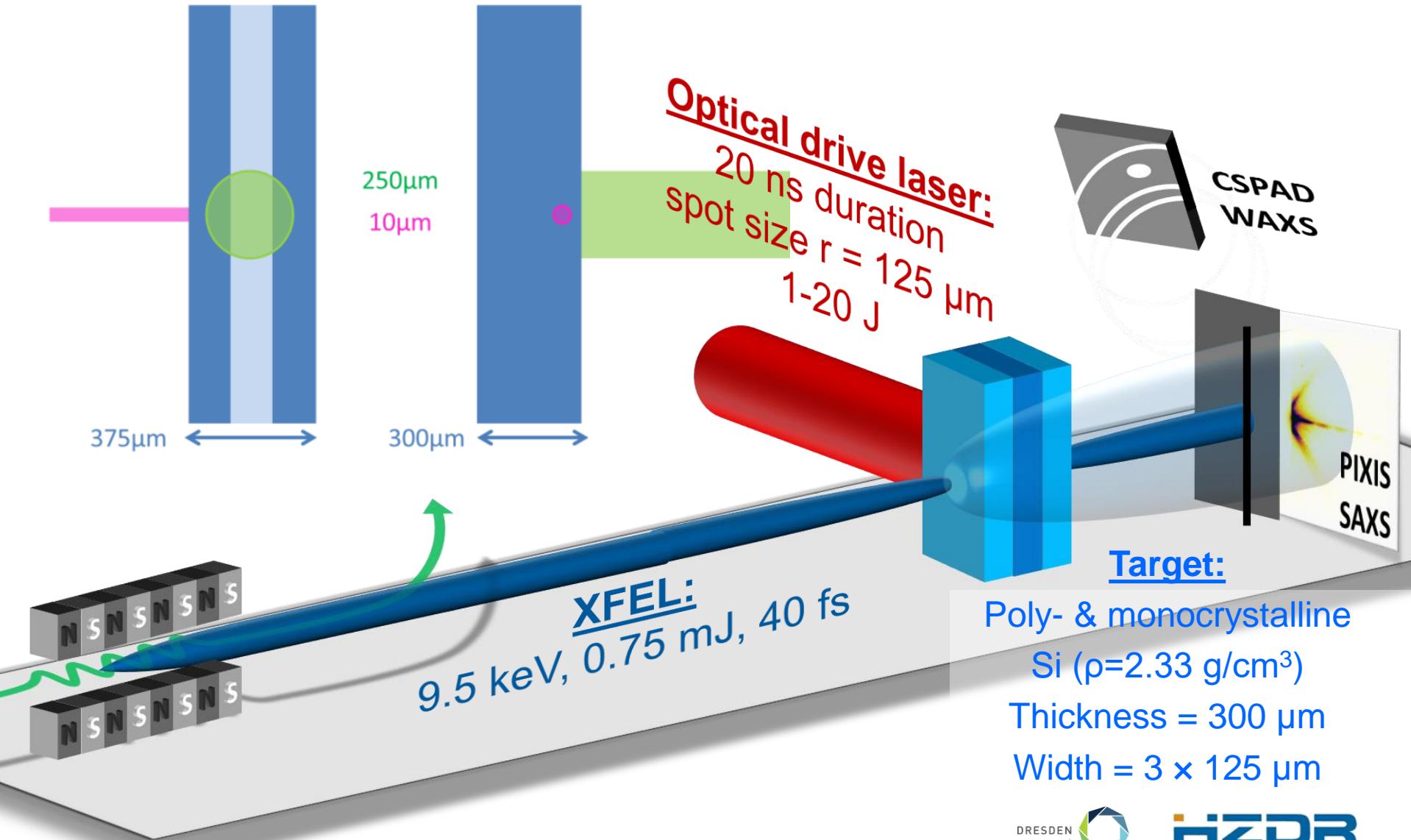


Compare to
Experiment

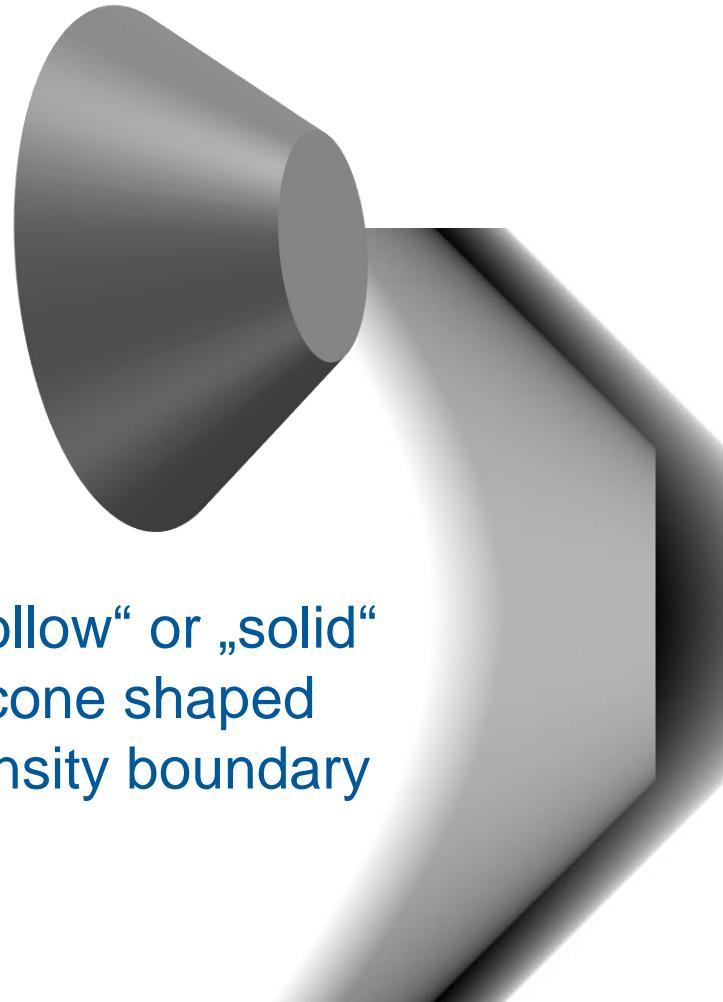
LH88 beam time at LCSL (E. McBride, A. Pelka, M. Roedel, et al.)

View optical drive laser beam $\approx 250\mu\text{m}$

View x-ray beam $\approx 10\mu\text{m}$

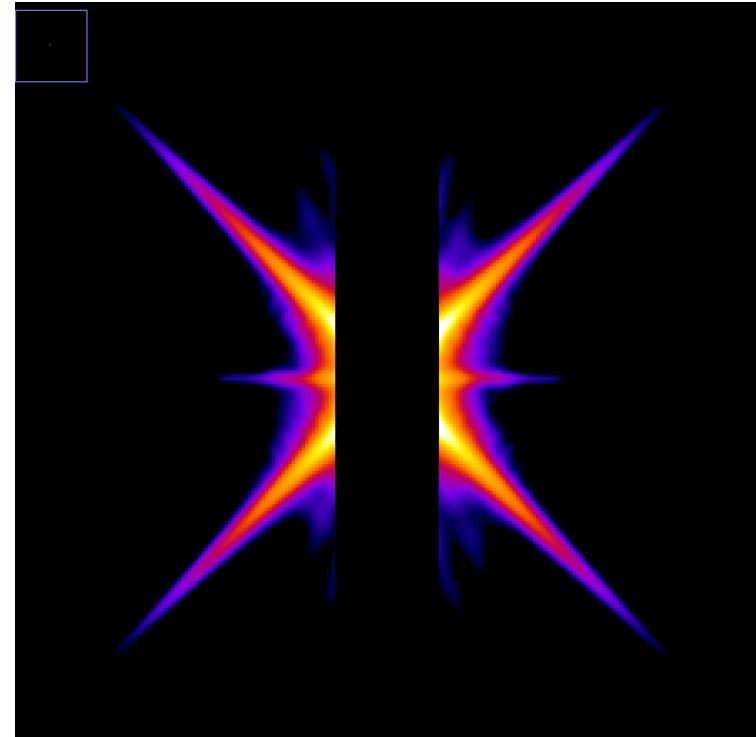


SAXS is great for electron density jumps, so what do we see?

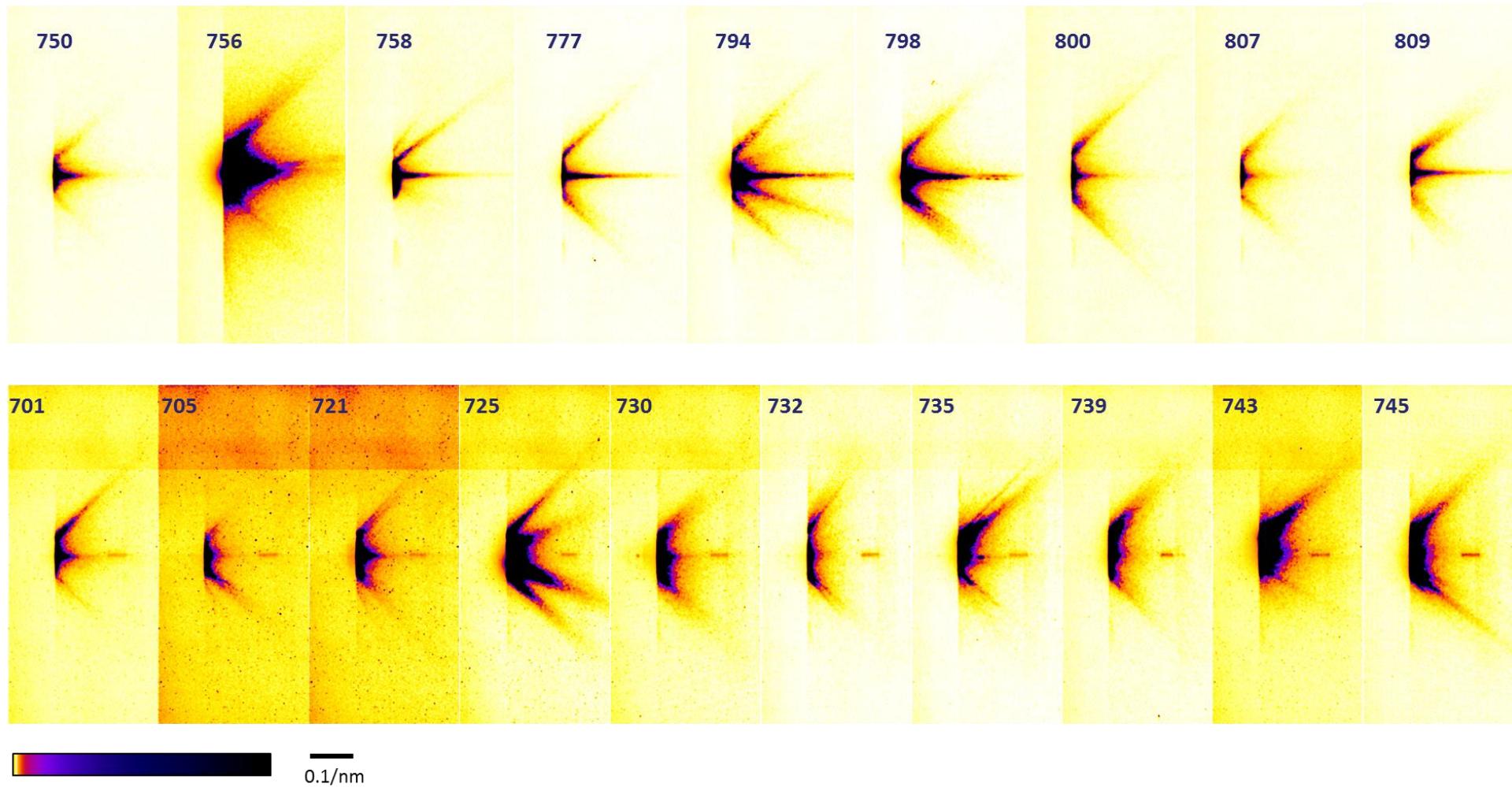


„Hollow“ or „solid“
cone shaped
density boundary

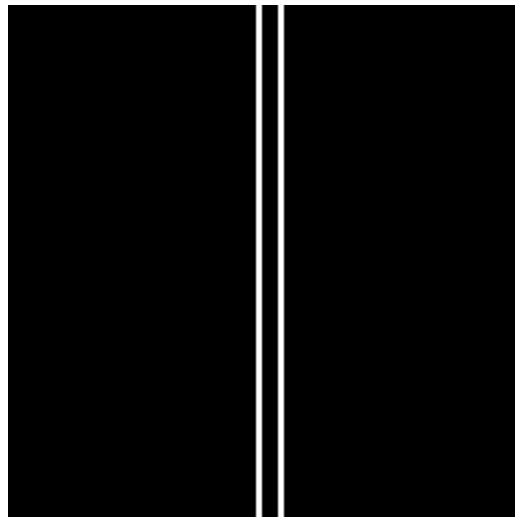
$$\text{IFTI}^2 \rightarrow$$



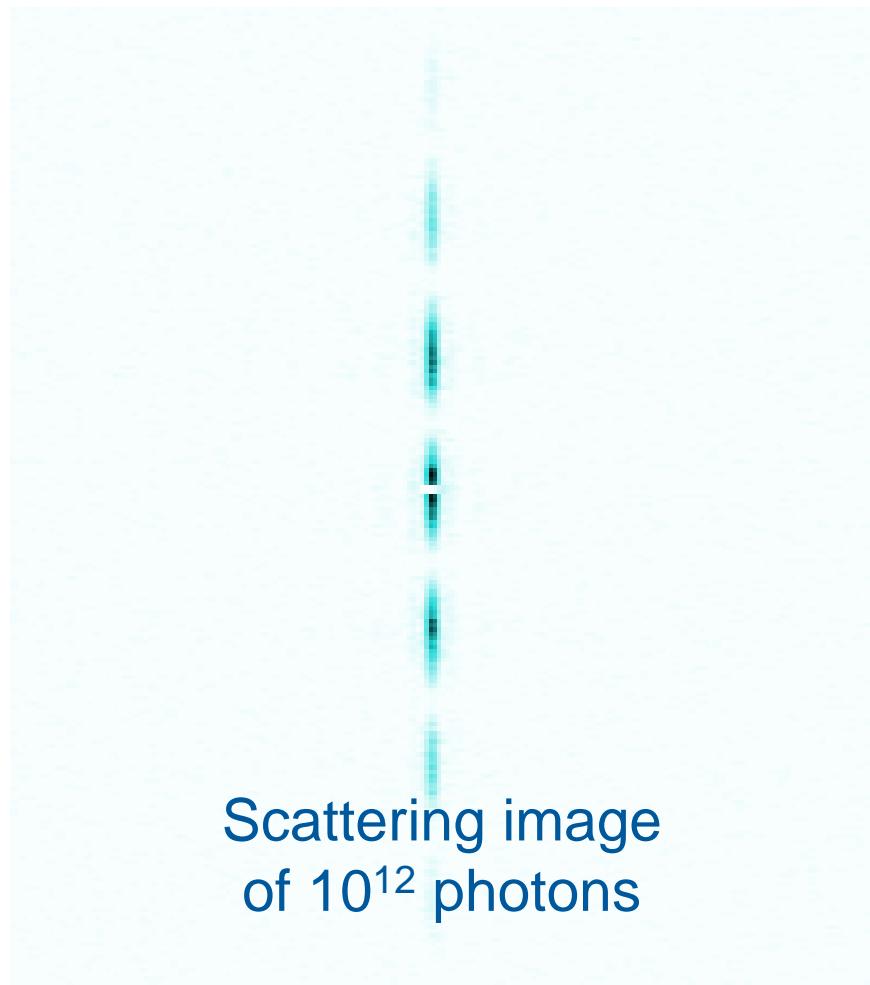
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10^{12} X-ray photons scattered on double slit in simulation

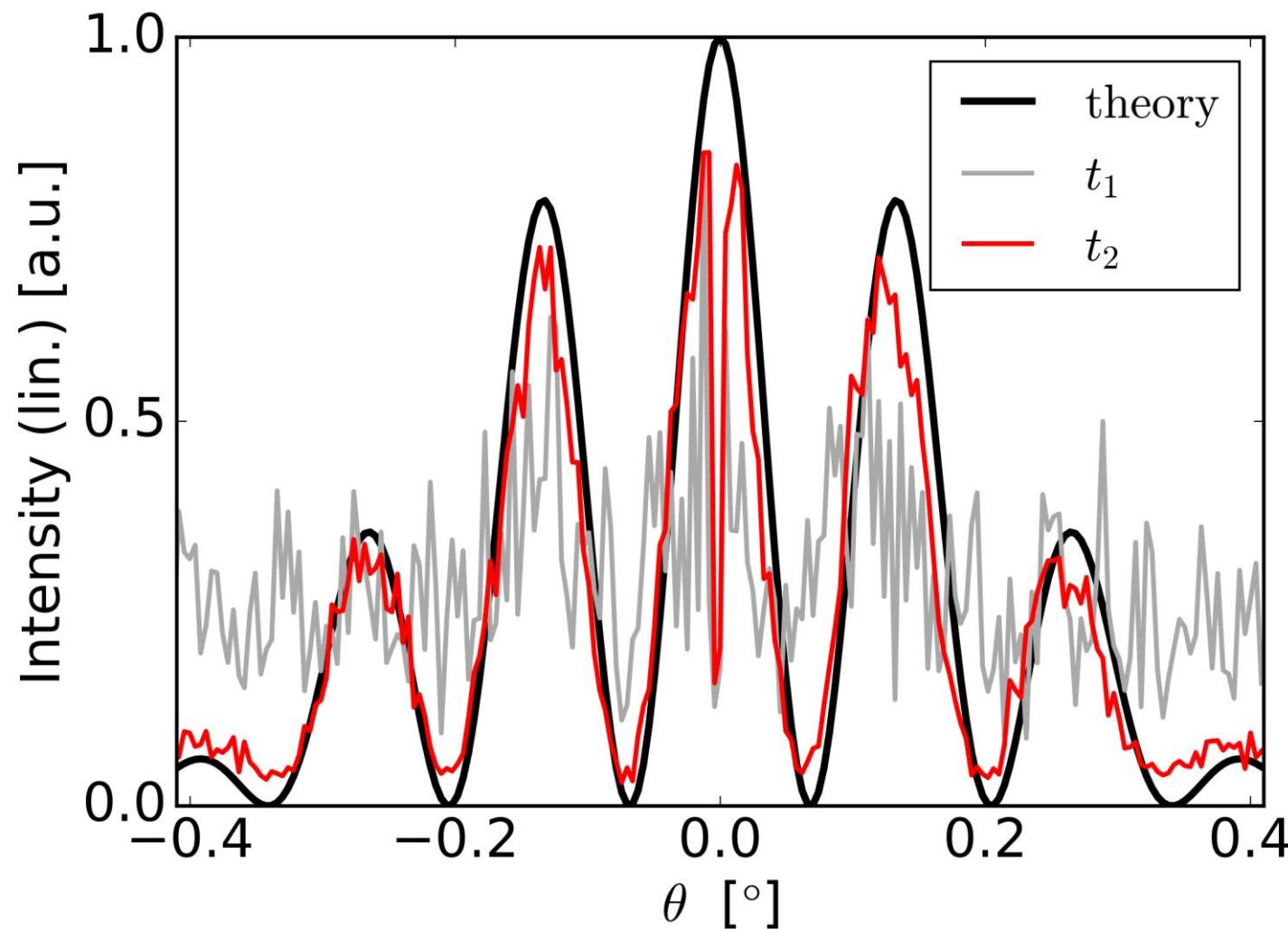


Double slit
3D density



Scattering image
of 10^{12} photons

Next: In-situ X-ray scattering / radiation transport / atomic physics





Thank you!

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