

HPC at INFN: theory

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Outline

- HPC@INFN-Th: scientific projects
- HPC(Th)@INFN: computational resources
(2018-2020,...)
- Conclusions

HPC@INFN (The early days)

- ~1980 Lattice Gauge Theories, relevant contributions from the INFN community

● K. Wilson 1974:	Introduces LQCD.
● M. Creutz 1979: C. Rebbi 1980	First Monte-Carlo simulations.
● H. Hamber and G. Parisi 1981, D. Weingarten 1982:	Quenched approximation.
● N. C., G. Martinelli, R. Petronzio 1983:	Simulation of weak interactions.

screenshot from Nicola Cabibbo "The APE experience", GGI - Firenze, 8 Feb 2007

- ~1983-2003 The APE project, development of parallel computers dedicated to LGT's (~2 Meuro/year actual value)

~1986 APE → 1 Gflops (~Cray XMP)

~1994 APE100 → 100 GFlops (~Cray T3D)

~1998 APEmille → 1 TFlops (~Cray T3E)

~2003 apeNEXT → 10 Tflops (~ASCI white)

Lattice QCD and HPC

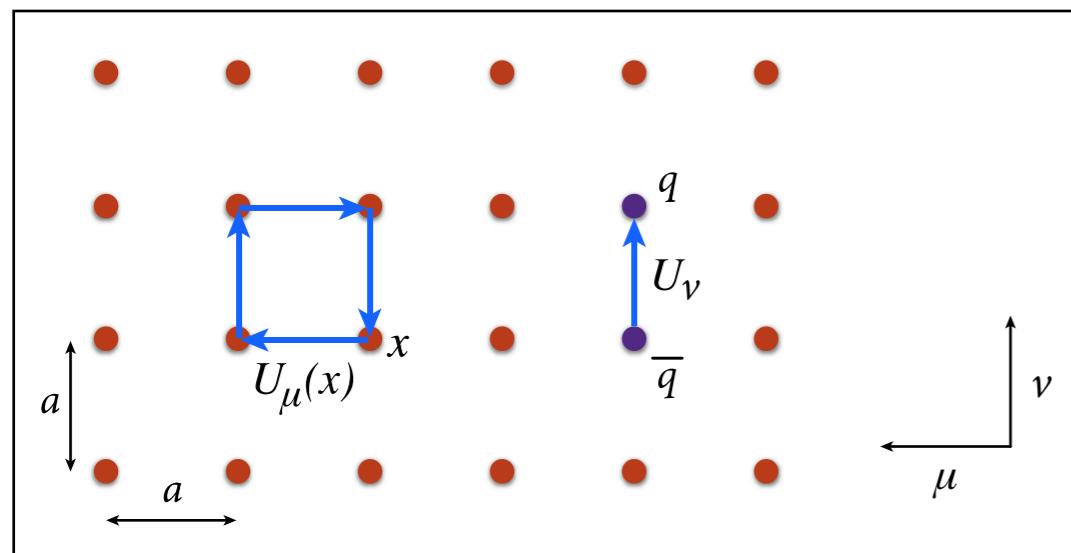
strongly
coupled at
low energies



LATTICE QCD

space-time discretisation —> lattice regularization of QCD —> non-perturbative calculations by numerical evaluation of the path integral that defines the theory

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(U, q, \bar{q}) \rangle = (1/Z) \int [dU] \prod_f [dq_f] [d\bar{q}_f] \mathcal{O}(U, q, \bar{q}) e^{-S_g[U] - \sum_f \bar{q}_f (D[U] + m_f) q_f}$$



$$Z = \int [dU] e^{-S_g[U]} \prod_f \det(D[U] + m_f)$$

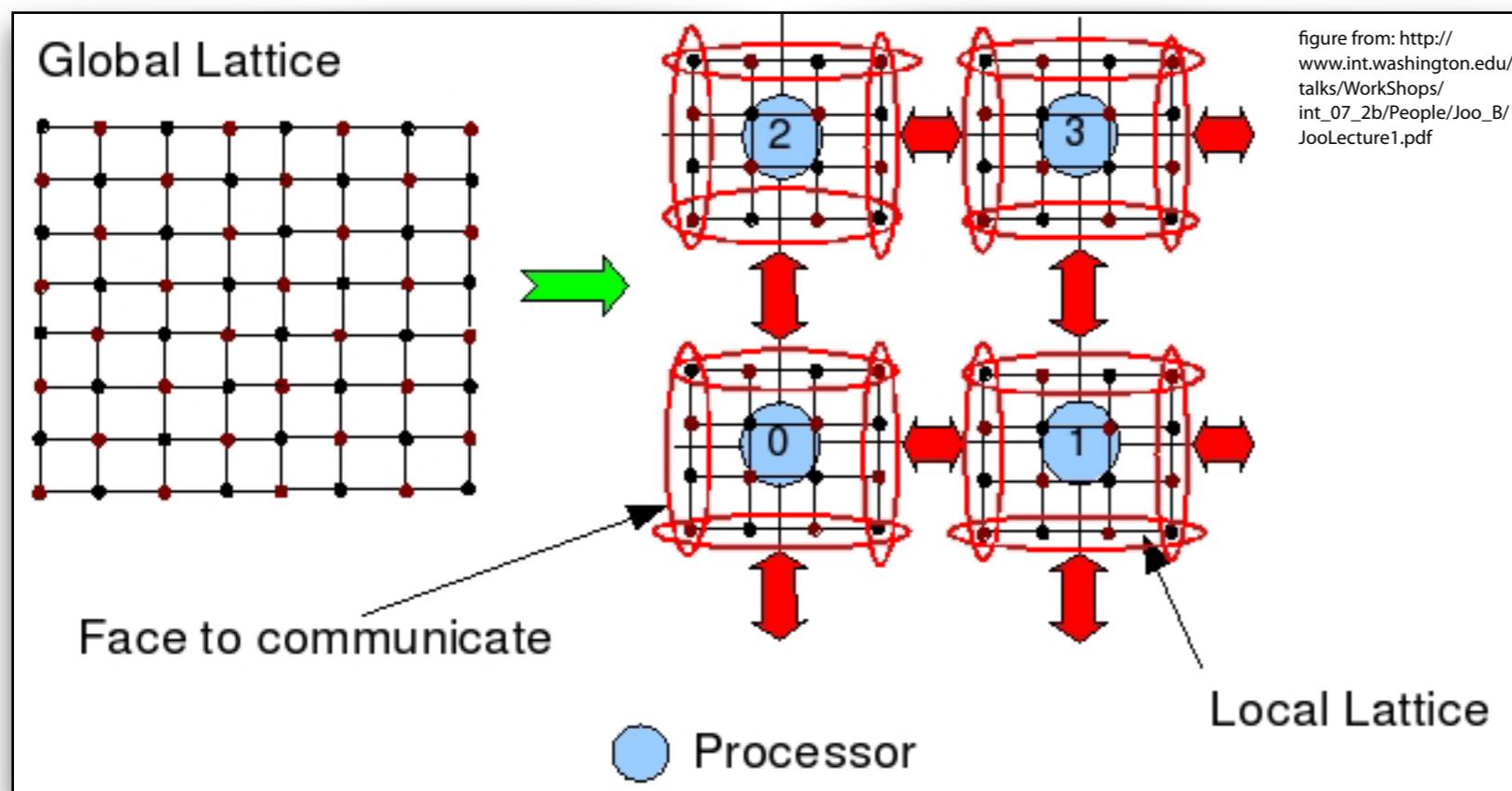
hyper cubic lattice

$$V_{\text{lat}} = N_s^3 \times N_t$$

asymptotic
freedom at
high
energies

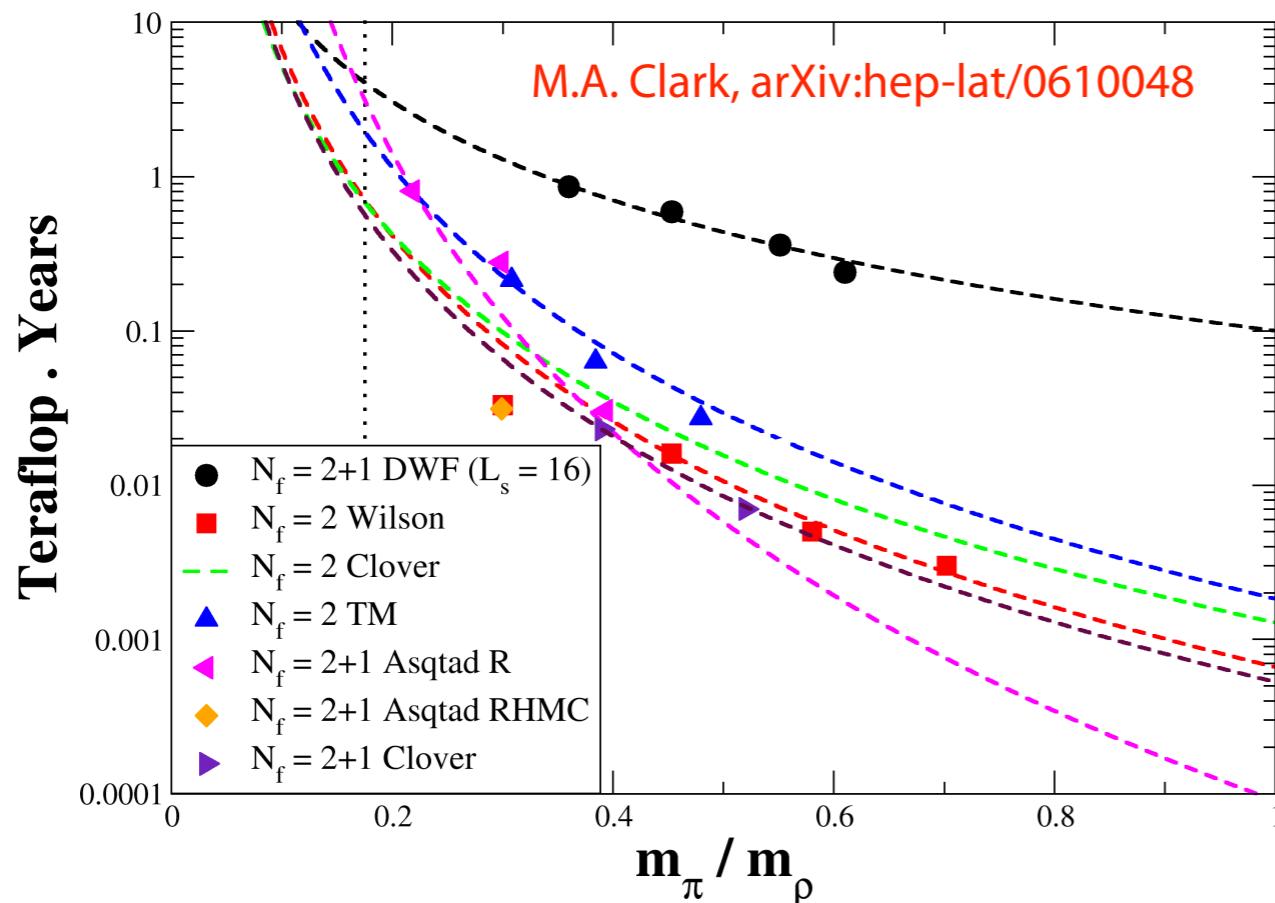
Practical LQCD calculations:

- Monte Carlo methods to numerically evaluate the functional integrals
- limited by the availability of computational resources and the efficiency of algorithms
- LQCD results come with both statistical (Monte Carlo integration) and systematic (from discretization) errors
- computational cost of LQCD simulations: $\sim (V_{\text{lat}})^{1+\delta}$ $\delta = 1/4$
- typically one aims to create an ensemble of $\sim 10^3$ statistically independent gauge configurations at each choice of parameters (*lattice volume, lattice spacing, quark masses*)
- Infinite lattice volume limit, continuum limit (lattice spacing $\rightarrow 0$)



Lattice QCD Simulations as an HPC Challenge

The computational cost of Lattice QCD



the computational cost of numerical simulations can increase dramatically as the lattice spacing decreases

[A. Ukawa, Lattice 2001 Proceedings]

$$C = 1.25 \left(\frac{\# \text{confs}}{100} \right) \left(\frac{M_\pi}{400 \text{ MeV}} \right)^{-6} \left(\frac{V^{1/4}}{3 \text{ fm}} \right)^5 \left(\frac{0.09 \text{ fm}}{a} \right)^7 \text{Tflops} \times \text{years} \quad (2 \text{ flavour})$$

[M.Bruno et al., arXiv:1411:3982]

$$C = 14 \left(\frac{\# \text{confs}}{100} \right) \left(\frac{V^{1/4}}{6 \text{ fm}} \right)^{9/2} \left(\frac{0.065 \text{ fm}}{a} \right)^7 \text{TFlops} \times \text{years} \quad (2+1 \text{ flavour})$$

HPC resources for the INFN-TH community (2018)

● CINECA-INFN agreement



MARCONI "A1" (Broadwell)

Model: Lenovo NeXtScale

Architecture: Intel OmniPath Cluster

Nodes: 1.512

Processors: 2 x 18-cores Intel Xeon E5-2697 v4 (Broadwell) at 2.30 GHz

Cores: 36 cores/node, 54.432 cores in total

RAM: 128 GB/node, 3.5 GB/core

Internal Network: Intel OmniPath

Disk Space: 17PB (raw) of local storage

Peak Performance: 2 PFlop/s

9 Mcorehours



MARCONI "A2" (KNL)

Model: Lenovo Adam Pass

Architecture: Intel OmniPath Cluster

120 Mcorehours

Nodes: 3.600

Processors: 1 x 68-cores Intel Xeon Phi 7250 CPU (Knights Landing) at 1.40 GHz

Cores: 68 cores/node (272 with HyperThreading), 244.800 cores in total

RAM: 16 GB/node of MCDRAM and 96 GB/node of DDR4

Internal Network: Intel OmniPath Architecture 2:1

Disk Space: 17PB (raw) of local storage

Peak Performance: 11 PFlop/s

MARCONI "A3" (Skylake)

Model: Lenovo Stark

Racks: 21 +

Nodes: 1.512 +

160 Mcorehours

Processors: 2 x 24-cores Intel Xeon 8160 CPU (Skylake) at 2.10 GHz

Cores: 48 cores/node, 72.576+ 38.016 cores in total

RAM: 192 GB/node of DDR4

Peak Performance: about 7.50 PFlop/s



ISCRA, EU-PRACE

since 2012 ~50 projects: ~1000 Mcorehours (in BG/Q units)

Scientific Projects @ INFN (Th. Physics)

16 scientific projects using HPC resources

~100 researchers (16 fellowships on HPC for Th. Physics)

Many areas of Theoretical Physics @INFN involved in HPC:

- High Energy Physics - Lattice
- High Energy Physics - Phenomenology
- General Relativity
- Cosmology, Astroparticle Physics
- Nuclear Physics
- Fluid Dynamics
- Disordered Systems



fellowships on HPC for Th. Physics

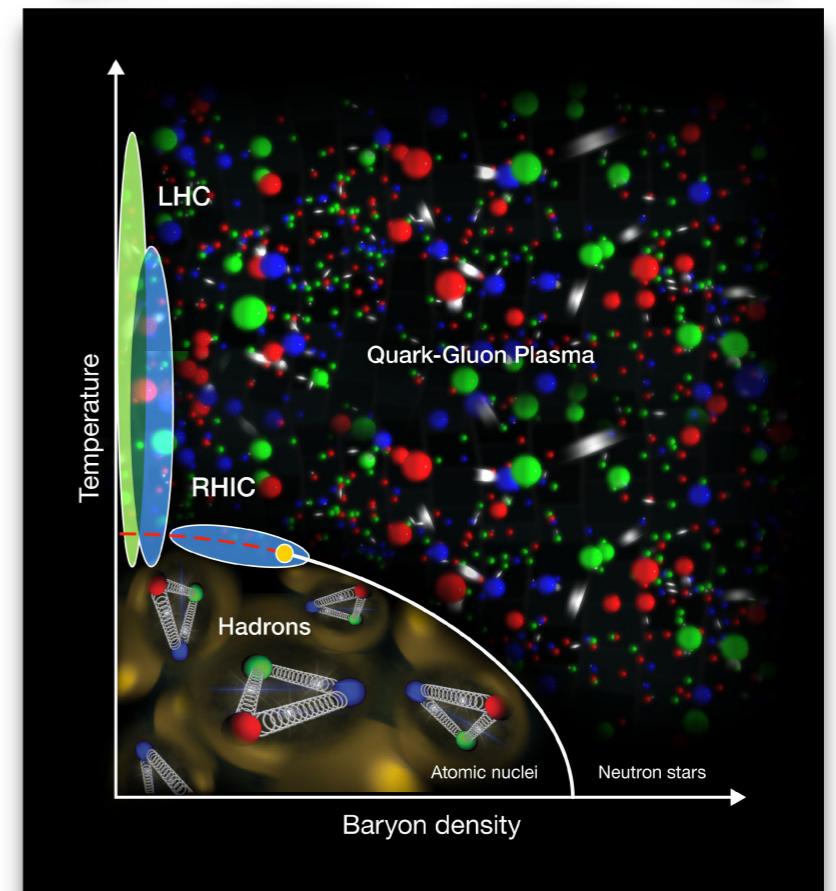
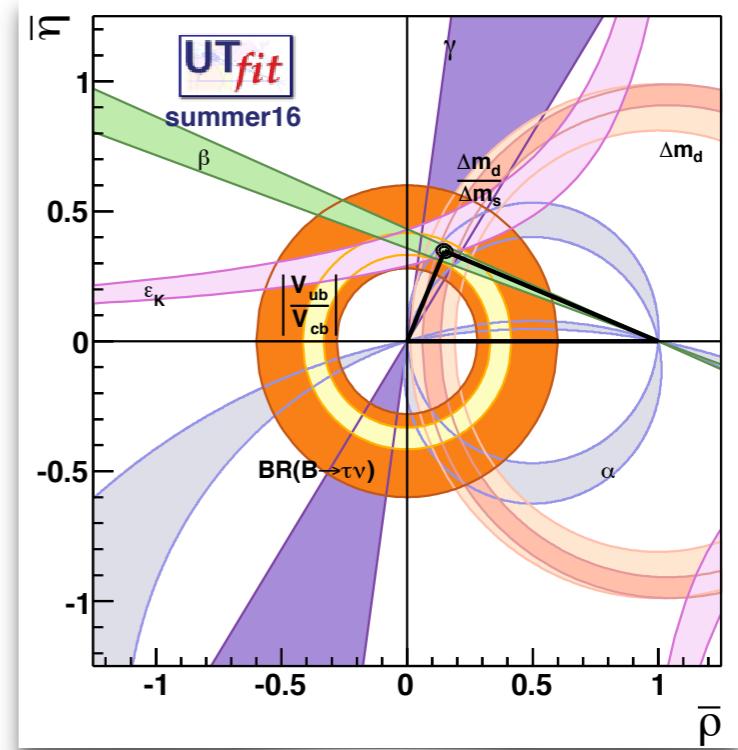
ASSEGNI PROGETTO HPC_HTC PER FISICA TEORICA COMPUTAZIONALE									
Tutor	Sigla	Assegnista	Area	Sezione	Durata	Cofinanziatore	Tipo di contratto	Inizio	Fine
Alessandro Papa	NPQCD	Volodymyr Chelnokov	Lattice QCD	Cosenza/LNF	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	15 Febbraio 2018	14 Febbraio 2020
Raffaele Tripiccione	FIELDTURB	Enrico Calore	Fluids	Ferrara	24 mesi	Univ. Ferrara	Contributo di 23K a Dip. Fisica Ferrara	1 Gennaio 2017	31 Dicembre 2018
Luca Del Zanna	TEONGRAV	Antonio Graziano Pili	Numerical Relativity	Firenze	24 mesi	Univ. Firenze	Contributo di 40K a Dip. Fisica/Astronomia FI	1 Febbraio 2017	31 Gennaio 2019
Alessandra Lanotte	FIELDTURB	Gabriella Schirinzi	Fluids	Lecce	12 mesi	INFN – Lecce	Assegno di ricerca	2 Ottobre 2017	30 Settembre 2018
Leonardo Giusti	QCDLAT	Mattia Dalla Brida	Lattice QCD	Milano Bicocca	36 mesi	Univ. Milano Bicocca	RTDA	1 Novembre 2017	31 Ottobre 2020
Leonardo Giusti	QCDLAT	Tim Harris	Lattice QCD	Milano Bicocca	24 mesi	Univ. Milano Bicocca	Assegno di ricerca	1 Novembre 2017	31 Ottobre 2019
Nunzio Itaco	STRENGTH	concorso in svolgimento	Nuclear Physics	Napoli	24 mesi	2a Univ. Napoli	Contributo di 30K a Dip. Fisica 2a Univ. Na		
Sebastiano Bernuzzi	TEONGRAV	Albino Perego	Numerical Relativity	Parma/Milano Bicocca	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Luglio 2017	30 Giugno 2019
Alberto Ciampa	Zefiro Cluster		Zefiro Cluster (Pisa)	Pisa	12 mesi		Rinnovo Assegno in corso INFN Pisa	Ottobre 2016	
Massimo D'Elia	NPQCD	Davide Vadacchino	Lattice QCD	Pisa	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Dicembre 2017	30 Novembre 2019
Massimo D'Elia	NPQCD	Francesco Negro	Lattice QCD	Pisa	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	2 Dicembre 2016	1 Dicembre 2018
Giorgio Parisi	DISCOSYNP	concorso in svolgimento	Disordered Systems	Roma Sapienza	36 mesi		Contributo di 96K per art. 29	Gennaio 2017	
Mauro Sbragaglia	FIELDTURB	Matteo Lulli	Fluids	Roma TOV	12 mesi	Univ. Roma Tor Vergata	Assegno di Ricerca Universitario bandito dall'Università degli studi di Roma "Tor Vergata"	1 Febbraio 2017	31 Gennaio 2018
Roberto Frezzotti	LQCD123	Marco Garofalo	Lattice QCD	Roma ToV	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Ottobre 2017	30 Settembre 2019
Silvia Morante	BIOPHYS	Francesco Stellato	Quantitative Biology	Roma ToV	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Gennaio 2017	31 Dicembre 2018
Anastassios Vladikas	LQCD123	Andrew Thompson Lytle	Lattice QCD	Roma ToV	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	Giugno 2018 (?)	Maggio 2020 (?)
Silvano Simula	LQCD123	Lorenzo Riggio	Lattice QCD	Roma Tre	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Marzo 2017	28 Febbraio 2019
Bruno Giacomazzo	TEONGRAV	Federico Cipolletta	Numerical Relativity	TIFPA	24 mesi		Nuovo assegno bandito da TIFPA	3 Aprile 2018	2 Aprile 2020
Guido Boffetta	FIELDTURB	Alessandro Sozza	Fluids	Torino	12 mesi	Univ. Torino	Assegno di ricerca annuale (costo totale 240599.77 euro)	1 Gennaio 2017	31 Dicembre 2017
Marco Panero	SFT	David Preti	Lattice QCD	Torino	24 mesi		Assegno di ricerca	1 Dicembre 2017	30 Novembre 2019

Scientific activity presented at “SM&FT 2017” (Bari, 13-15 December 2017) <http://www.ba.infn.it/smft2017>

High Energy Physics - Lattice

Scientific Projects: LQCD123, NPQCD,
QCDSLAT, QFT_HEP, SFT

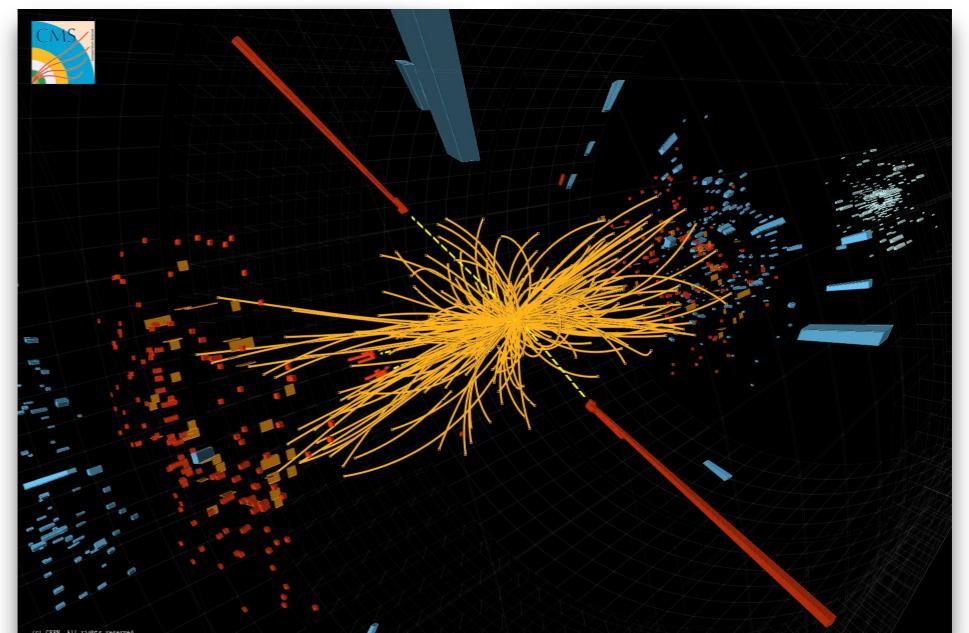
- Flavour physics and Standard Model precision tests
- New Physics beyond the Standard Model
- Strong interactions under extreme environmental conditions (QCD at high temperature and density)
- Computational strategies and theoretical developments
- *In the next years a series of experiments will collect new data that may shed light on the Standard Model and BSM.*
- *The theoretical interpretation of all these data will need non-perturbative calculations with accuracies far beyond the state of the art.*



High Energy Physics - Phenomenology

Scientific Projects: QCD@Colliders

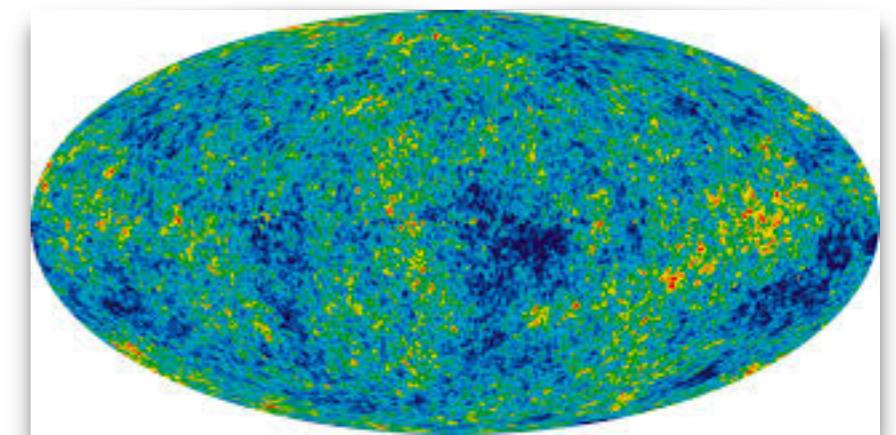
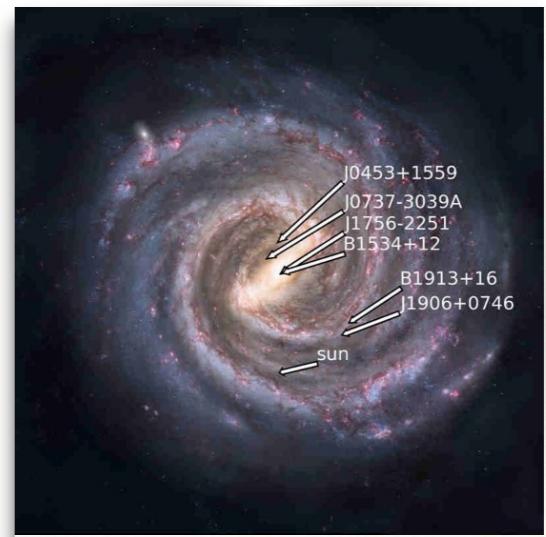
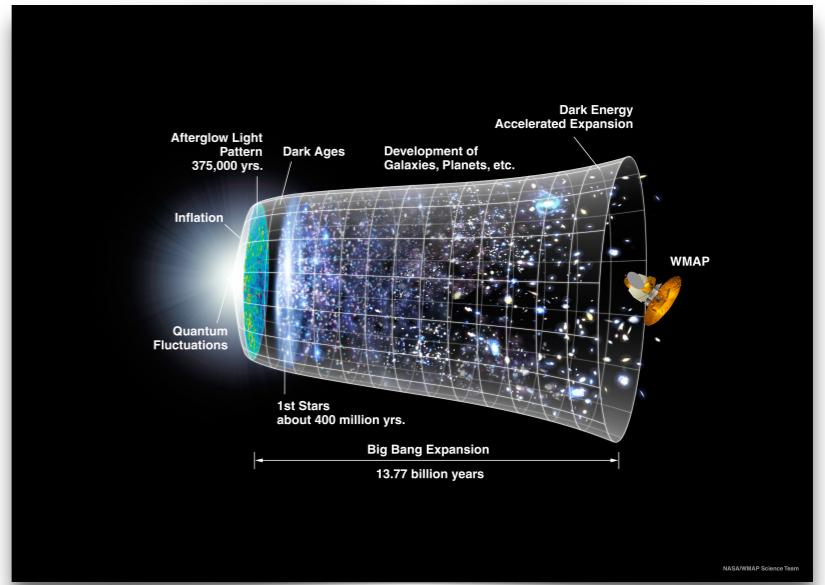
- Monte Carlo event generators to allow a systematic comparison between data and theory at LHC
- Higher order QCD corrections and future colliders



General Relativity, Cosmology, Astroparticle Physics

Scientific Projects: INDARK, NEUMATT, TEONGRAV

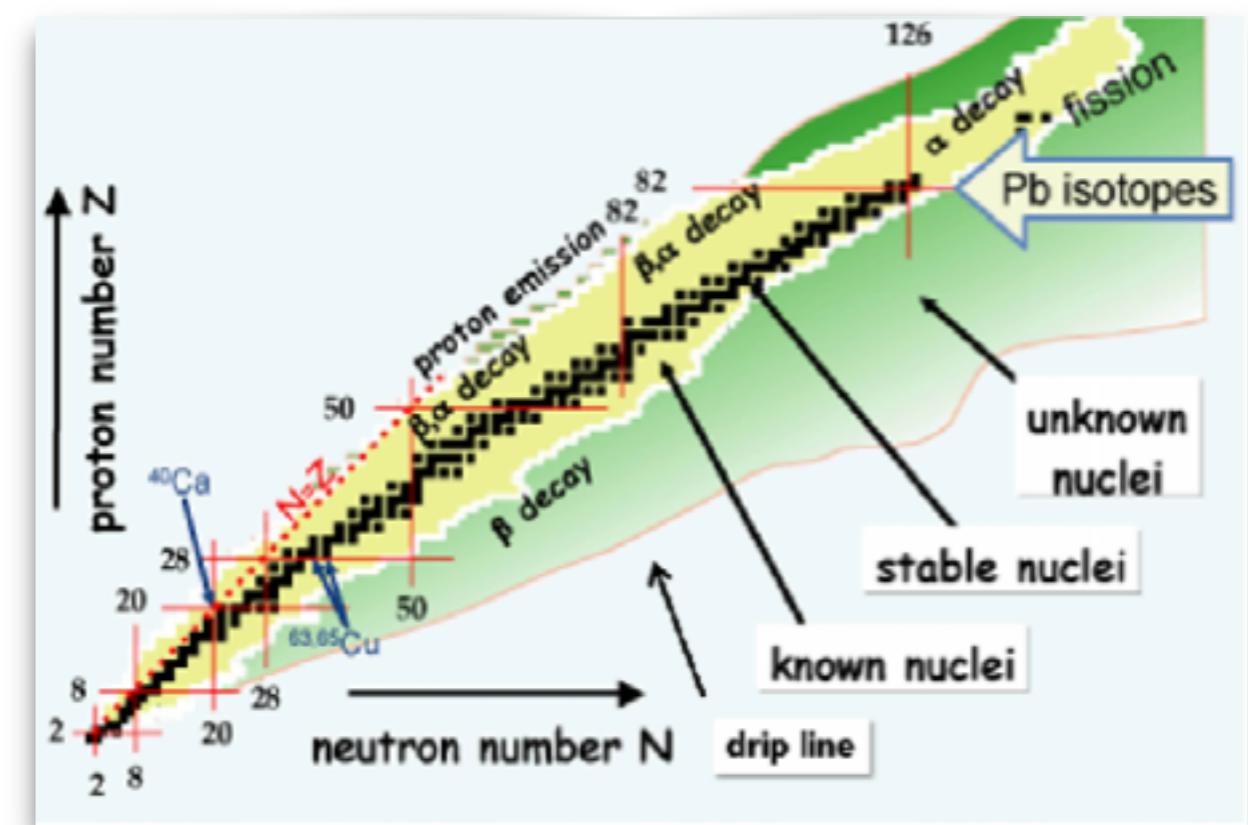
- Numerical simulation of Binary Neutron Stars, Equation of State effects on the gravitational wave signal.
- Cosmic Microwave Background: tests of Inflation, fundamental and astroparticle Physics
- Large Scale Structure of the Universe: Dark Matter, Dark Energy, formation, growth and clustering of cosmic structures



Nuclear Physics

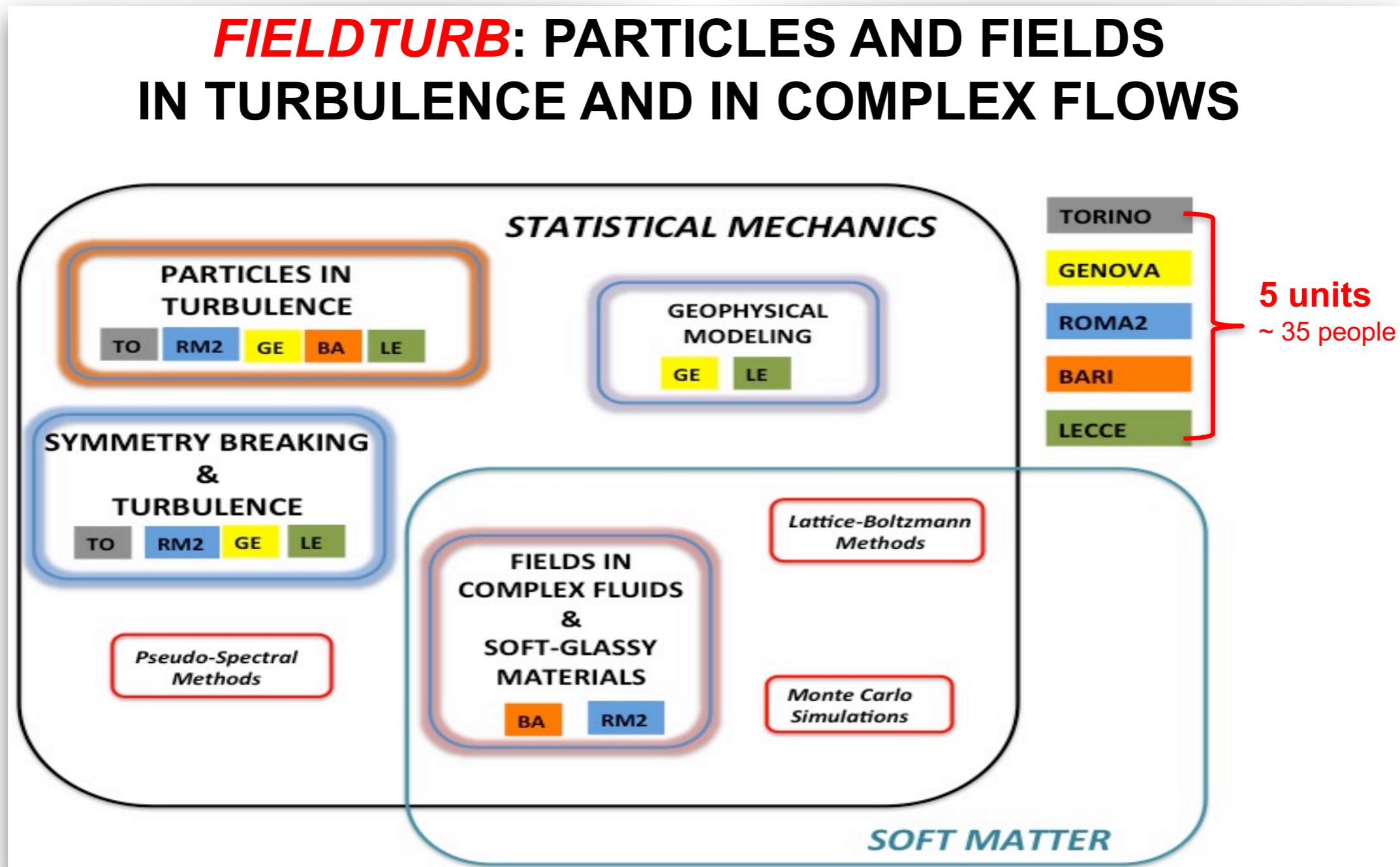
Scientific Projects: FBS, MANYBODY, STRENGTH

- Electron and neutrino interactions with nuclei, Equation of state of dense nuclear matter and neutrino propagation in nuclear matter, Monte Carlo techniques to compute ground- and excited-state properties of many-body systems.
- Development and application of models for nuclear structure studies: Shell Model, Density Functional Theory, Microscopic and algebraic cluster models.
- Development of accurate methods to study the bound and continuum states of few-body systems using realistic interactions.



Fluid Dynamics

Scientific Projects: FIELDTURB



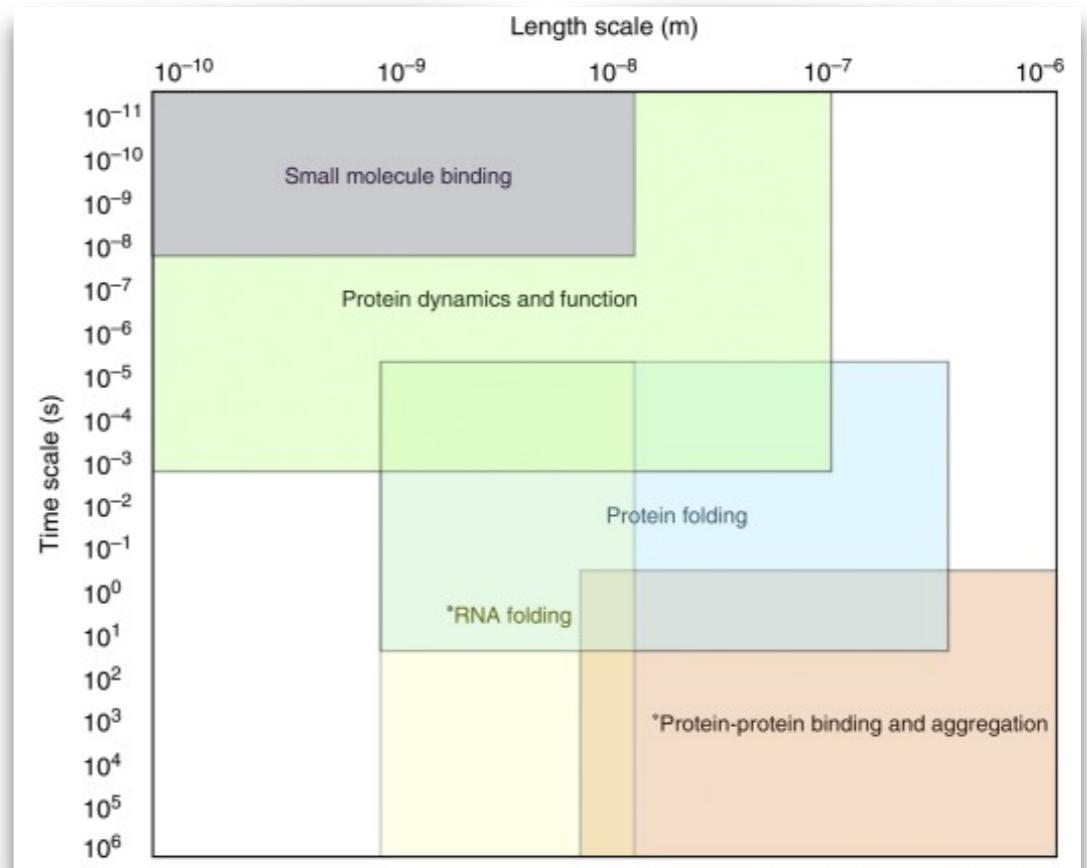
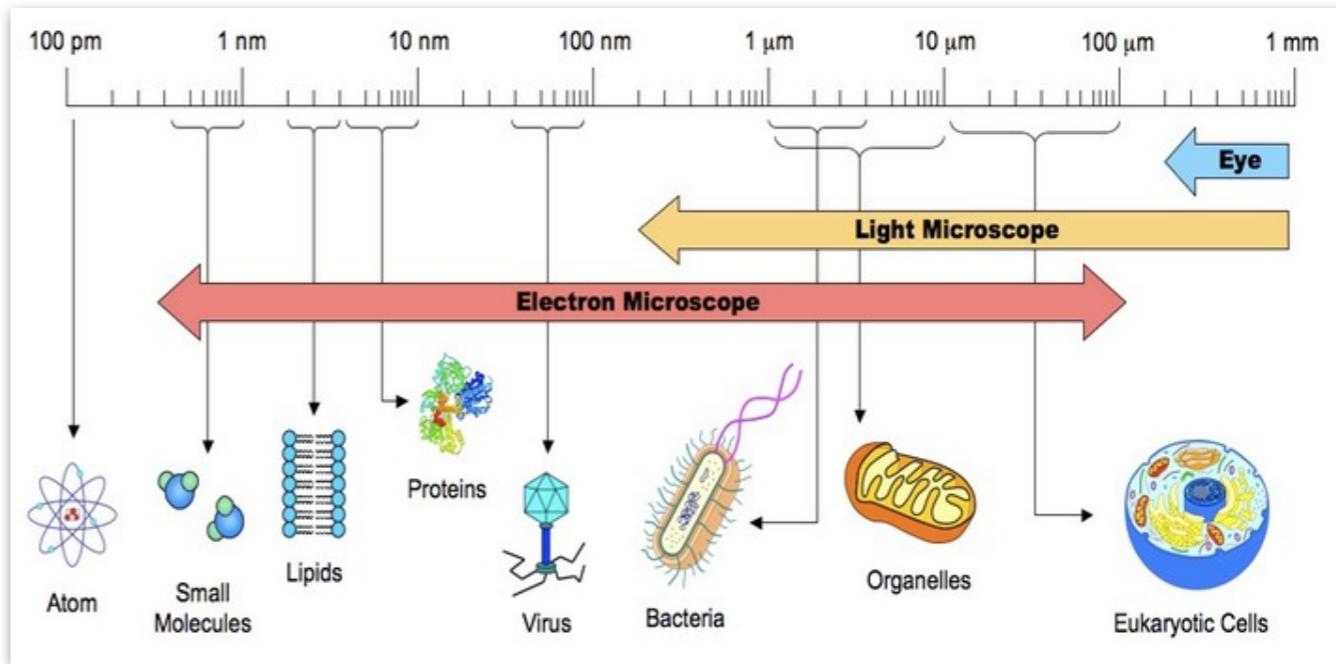
G. Boffetta @ SM&FT 2017, Bari 15 December 2017

Quantitative Biology

Scientific Projects: BIOPHYS

Quantitative Biology: quantitative approaches and numerical methods to gain a deeper understanding in life sciences.

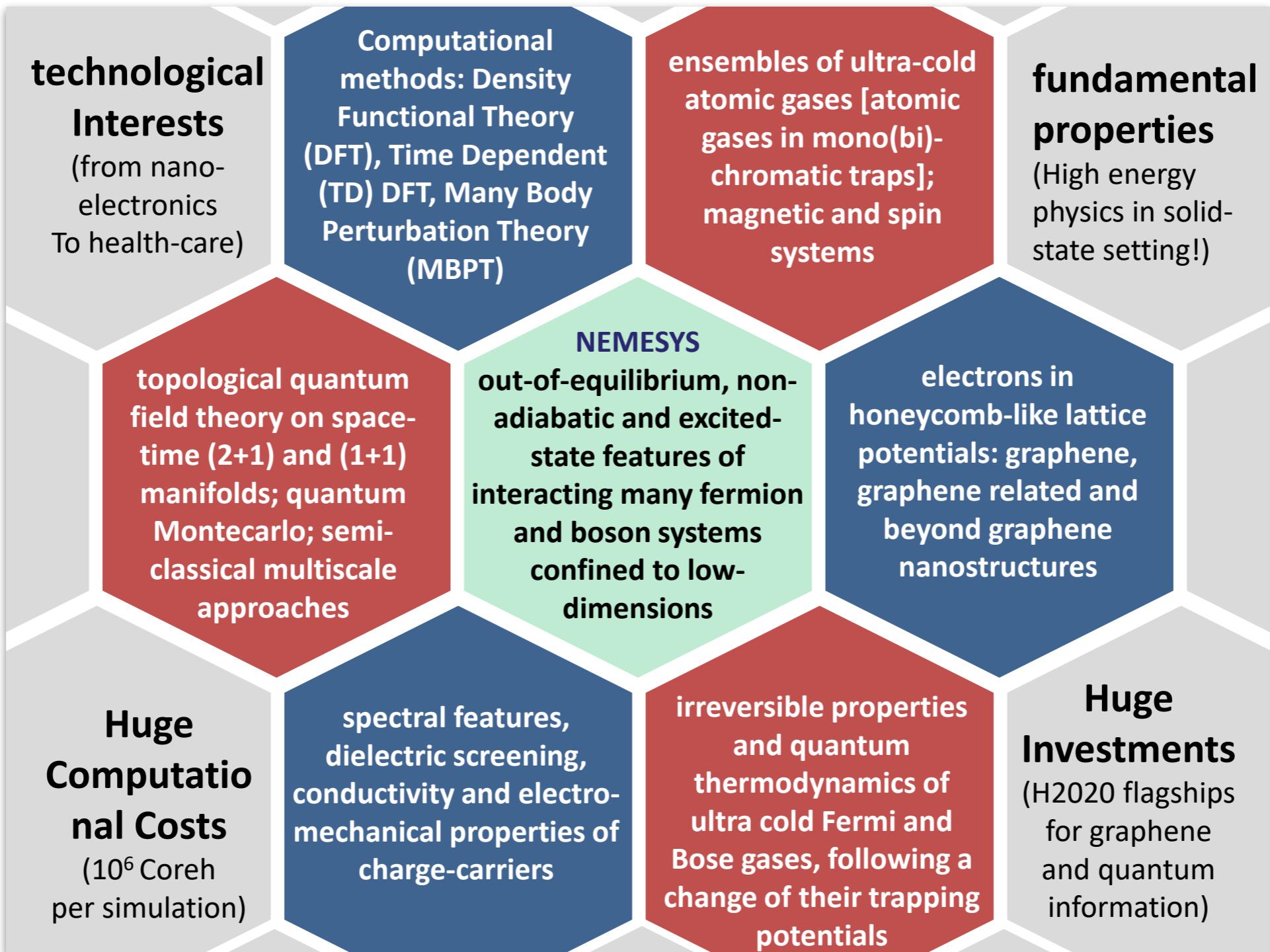
- Characterization of biomolecules and their interaction
- 3D organization and regulation of genome
- Regulatory networks of molecules, cells and neurons



Condensed Matter

Scientific Projects: NEMESYS

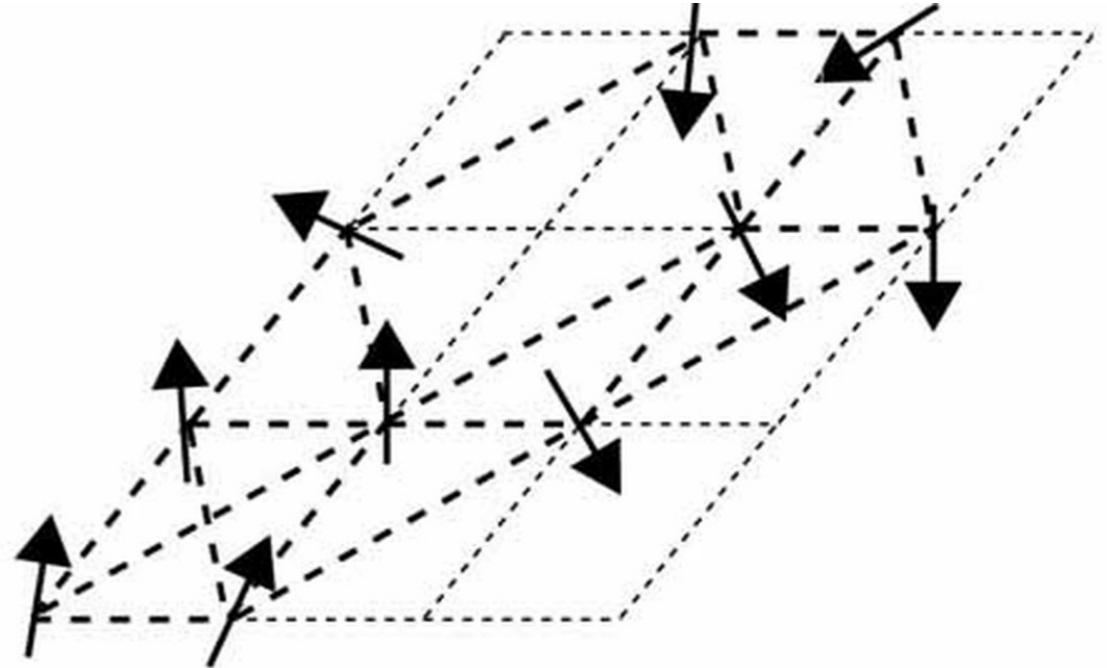
• Condensed matter phenomena in low dimensional systems



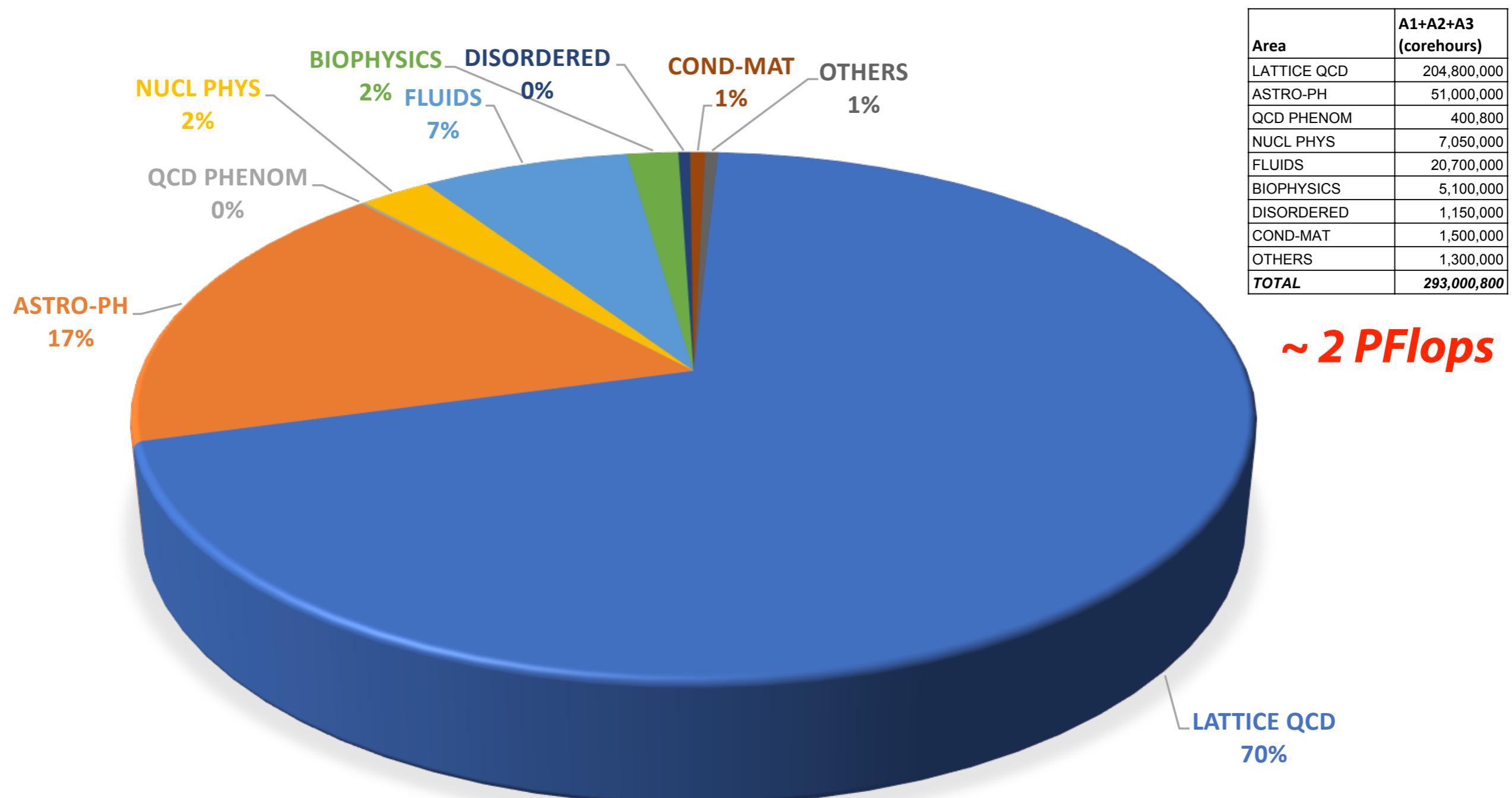
Disordered Systems

Scientific Projects: DISCOSYNP

- Large scale simulations of spin glasses
- Hard spheres jamming and low-temperature glasses
- High resolution cortical simulations in the Human Brain Project



HPC resources for the INFN-TH community (2018 sharing)



HPC@INFN-Th (2018-2020)

Computational theoretical physics at INFN: status and perspectives (2018-2020)

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* *Conveners*

(Dated: April 26, 2017)

We present the status of computational theoretical physics at INFN, the results obtained by its research groups active in this field and their research programs for the next three years. Computational theoretical physics, besides its own importance, is a powerful tool in understanding present and future experiments. A continued support of INFN to computational theoretical physics is crucial to remain competitive in this sector. We assess the high performance computing resources needed to undertake the research programs outlined for the next three years.

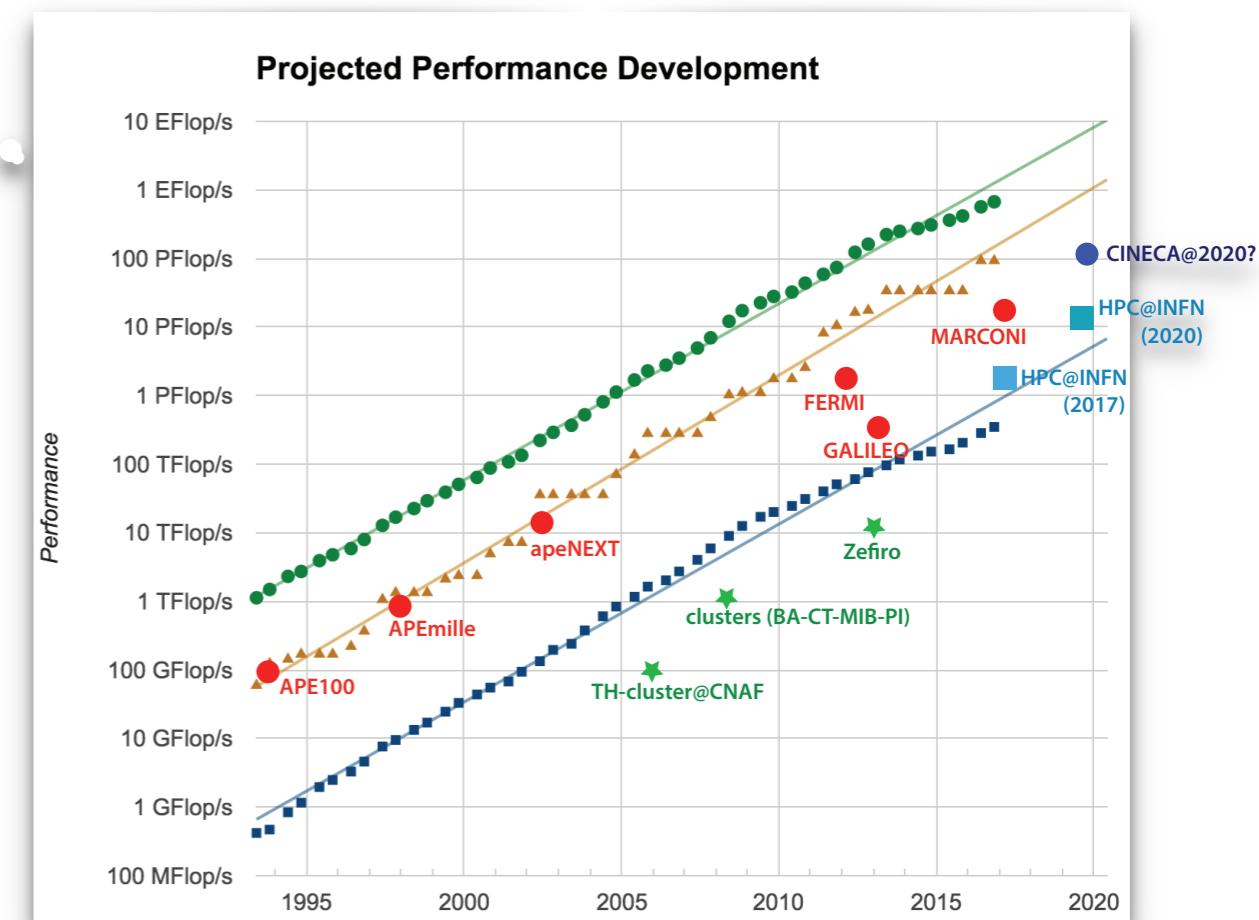
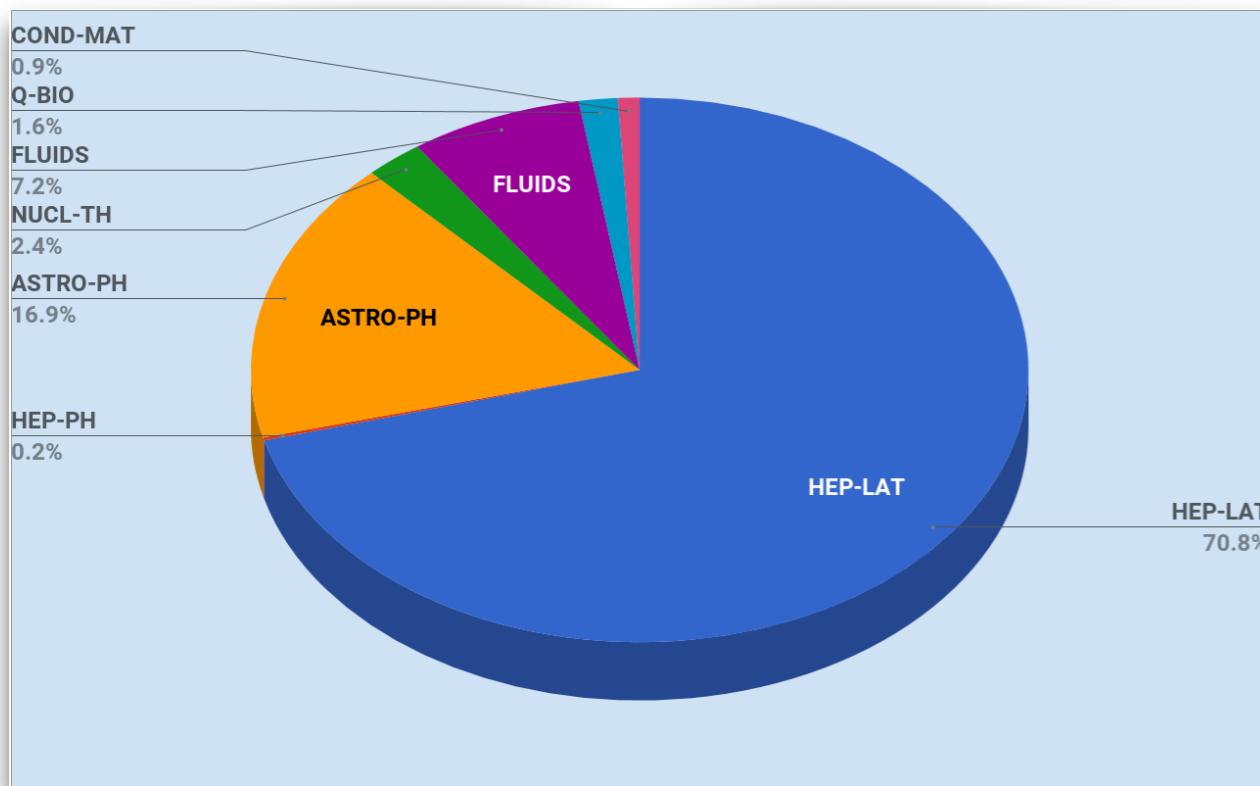
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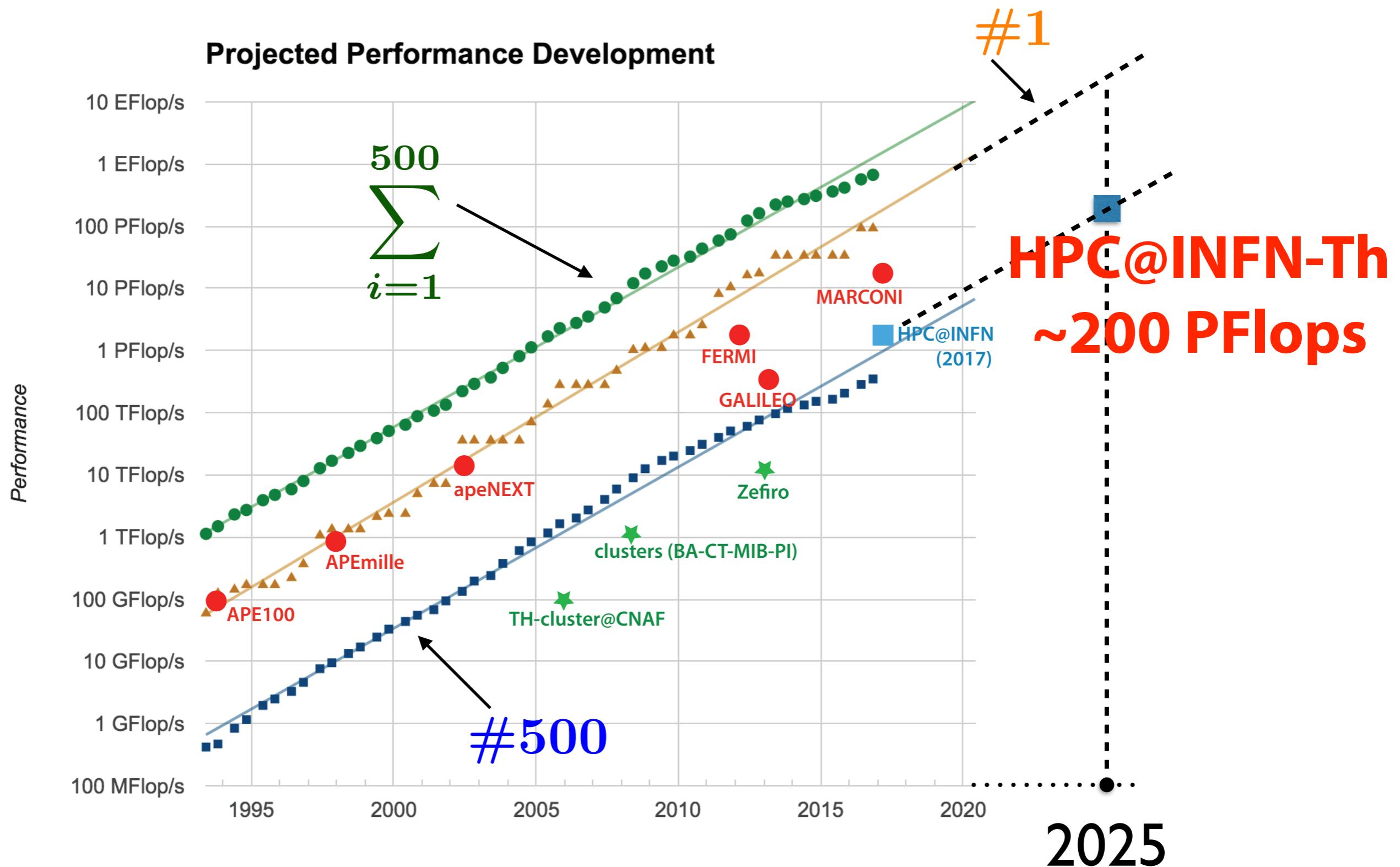
HPC@INFN-Th (2018-2020) - cont'd

HPC requirements for Th.Physics@INFN

	2018	2019	2020
LGT: hadron physics	54	108	180
LGT: QGP and BSM	207	432	648
LGT: flavor physics	117	234	387
Colliders Phenomenology	1	2	3
General Relativity	142	182	227
Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics	3	4	6
Nuclear Theory	18	27	36
Fluid Dynamics	50	80	110
Quantitative Biology	9	18	27
Disordered systems	4	6	8
Condensed matter	2	4	6
Grand Total (Mcore-h)	607	1097	1638
Grand Total (Eq. Pflops)	4.6	8.4	12.5



HPC@INFN-Th (2020->...)



Conclusions: List of recommendation to INFN (*)

(*) from “Computational theoretical physics at INFN: status and perspectives (2018-2020)”

- Ensure that the needed computing resources are made available to the community. This is best done by renewing the current agreements with the National Supercomputer Centre (CINECA) that allow to use their HPC resources.
- Establish stronger scientific and institutional links with CINECA, with the goal of playing an active role in the definition of the computational requirements of the future HPC systems that CINECA plans to install.
- Make sure that the HPC computational skills needed to efficiently use current and future supercomputers are mastered by the community. This is best done encouraging young researchers to enter the computational arena; to this effect, we propose to support a specific programme of post-doc grants at the crosspoint between computational physics, algorithm development, code development and optimization.
- Support at every appropriate political level the continued operation of national (e.g., ISCRA) and international (e.g., PRACE) competitive access programs to HPC resources.

THANK YOU !