

ISDEP, a Fusion Application Deployed on Volunteer Computing Platform

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Nuclear fusion is the process by which multiple atomic nucleus join together to form a heavier nucleus. It occurs naturally in the core of stars. Fusion could be the clean and sustainable energy source of the future.

ISDEP (Integrator of Stochastic Differential Equations for Plasmas) is a Monte Carlo code developed by CIEMAT and BIFI which solves neoclassical transport in fusion devices. ISDEP integrates a large number of independent particle trajectories and extracts statistical information from them. Thus, there is no need of communication between processes and the code scales perfectly in distributed computing platforms.

Using volunteer computer resources, specifically deploying it in the EDGeS@home and Ibercivis projects, we've simulated several fusion processes in Tokamaks reactors, collecting a huge amount of data that will be useful for understanding the physical processes in ITER.

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