



EXCALIBUR PROJECT NEPTUNE - ADMINISTRATION AND SUMMARY

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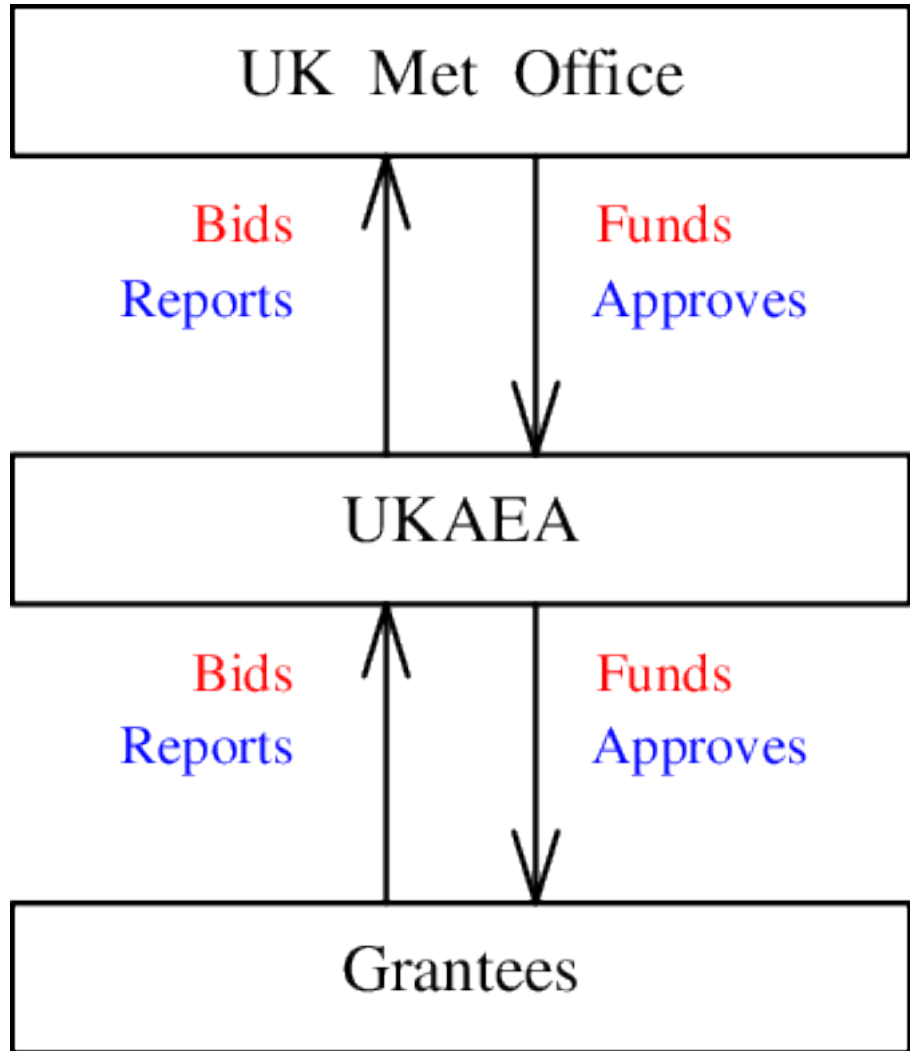
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1. Relationships
2. Reporting
3. Current grant, proxyapps
4. Website as collaboration tool

1. NEPTUNE relationships



Bids – tenders have to be issued, bids “marked”

UKAEA Reports

1. Administrative docs - 13
2. Technical reports - 54
3. Periodic (Monthly) Checkpoints
 1. RAG *Red-Amber-Green* One line report /task and traffic light.
 2. “Impact” covers software developed and training

Grantees Reports

1. Administrative docs – Contract change requests only
2. Technical – 31 items at FY end
 1. Reports – c.50
 2. Software as repo/ “merge request”
3. Periodic (Monthly) based on fortnightly meetings
 1. RAG *Red-Amber-Green* One line report /task and traffic light.
 2. “Impact”

2. UKAEA Reporting to Met Office

SPF ExCALIBUR Joint Programme Site

Private group

12 members

Home

Communications

Delivery Team

Shared with us

Governance

Meetings and Events

Monitoring and Evaluat...

Planning

Reporting

Steering Committee

UKAEA

Conversations

Notebook

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All Documents

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UKAEA

	Name	Modified	Modified By	FY	Month	Approval status
	Call Proposals	August 17, 2020	Gifford, Christine			
	CheckPointReports	July 1, 2020	Gilbert, Pip			
	Finance	February 9, 2021	Gifford, Christine			
	Milestone&DeliverableReports	November 16, 2020	Gifford, Christine			
	POs	March 23, 2021	Barrabino Clemente, Marti			
✓	Project Change Request	September 15, 2020	Barrabino Clemente, Marti			
	Work Plans	September 27, 2021	Gifford, Christine			
	Collaboration_Agreement_UKAEA_Final_signed (3).pdf	August 4, 2021	Gifford, Christine			
	SPFExCALIBUR_MO_UKAEA_ActionLog.xlsx	June 7	Gifford, Christine			

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ExCALIBUR Project Neptune (XPN)

Links

Restricted access:

<https://metoffice.sharepoint.com/sites/SPFExCALIBURJointProgrammeExt/UKAEA>

Presentations (recent) <https://ukaeauk.sharepoint.com/sites/ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE>

Named access only:

LaTeX source, biblio & pictures <https://git.ccf.ac.uk/warter/excalibur-wa> access on request to UKAEA

Software and documents <https://github.com/ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE> (17 repos, 6 public – send me your github handle to access all.)

<https://github.com/ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE/Documents/>

[../reports](#) 49 grantees' reports by PO number

[../meetings](#) 6 workshop reports

[../tex](#) Out-of-date version of excalibur-wa/tex

Public:


Developer web-site <https://mbukaea.github.io/main.html> (for evaluation, link will change soon, bits only skeletal), public, but link to named access only (Error 404 otherwise)

Nektar++ <https://www.nektar.info/getting-started/>

ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE github

← → ↻ 🔒 https://github.com/orgs/ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE/repositories?type=all ☆

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 **ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE**

🏠 Overview 📁 **Repositories 17** 📦 Projects 📦 Packages 👤 Teams 5 👤 People 33 ⚙️ Settings

🔍 Find a repository... Type Language Sort [New repository](#)

NESO-Spack Public

Spack repository for installing NESO components and dependencies.

Python 0 1 0 0 Updated 3 days ago

performance-portability-for-fusion Private

0 0 0 0 Updated 3 days ago

NESO Public

C++ MIT 0 1 29 3 Updated 9 days ago

NESO-Particles Public

C++ MIT 1 0 0 0 Updated 12 days ago

MathsSupport Private

TeX 0 0 14 0 Updated 16 days ago

nekmesh-python-demo Private

Demonstration of Python API for NekMesh

Python 0 0 0 0 Updated 19 days ago

nektar-1d-sol Private

Test solver based on 1D SOL equations

C++ 0 0 0 0 Updated on 21 Jul

nektar-driftwave Public

C++ 0 1 2 1 Updated on 26 May

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Documents Private

Bid documents, calls, reports and supporting documents for ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE.

TeX BSD-3-Clause 0 3 1 3 Updated on 14 May

nektar-cwipi Private

Repository for Nektar++ CWIPI coupling example proxyapp

C++ 0 0 0 1 Updated on 7 Apr

minepoch Public

Fortran BSD-3-Clause 2 0 5 0 Updated on 3 Mar

Cross-Cutting-Organisation Private

A central repo for organising work that touches multiple codes / repos / workflows

MIT 0 0 0 0 Updated on 14 Feb

private_repo_test Private

0 0 0 0 Updated on 21 Jan

NektarPIC Private

MIT 0 0 0 0 Updated on 26 Nov 2021

nektar-diffusion Private

Nektar++ diffusion solver

C++ 0 0 0 0 Updated on 25 Nov 2021

roundtable Private

Performance testing tool for the ExCALIBUR NEPTUNE project

Python MIT 0 0 0 0 Updated on 1 Apr 2021

Neptune Public

BSD-3-Clause 0 2 0 0 Updated on 18 Jan 2021

RAID for Project Management

Spreadsheet with 4 pages

RAID Log

Project Managers use this document to track Risks, Assumptions, Issues and Dependencies.

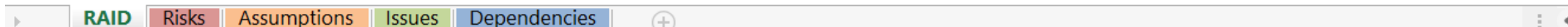
Risks

Assumptions

Issues

Dependencies

Project management
(Formerly Marta Barrabino-Clemente)
WA and EdT with help from Juan Palomo-Frias,
Peter Genet to take up PM role this month

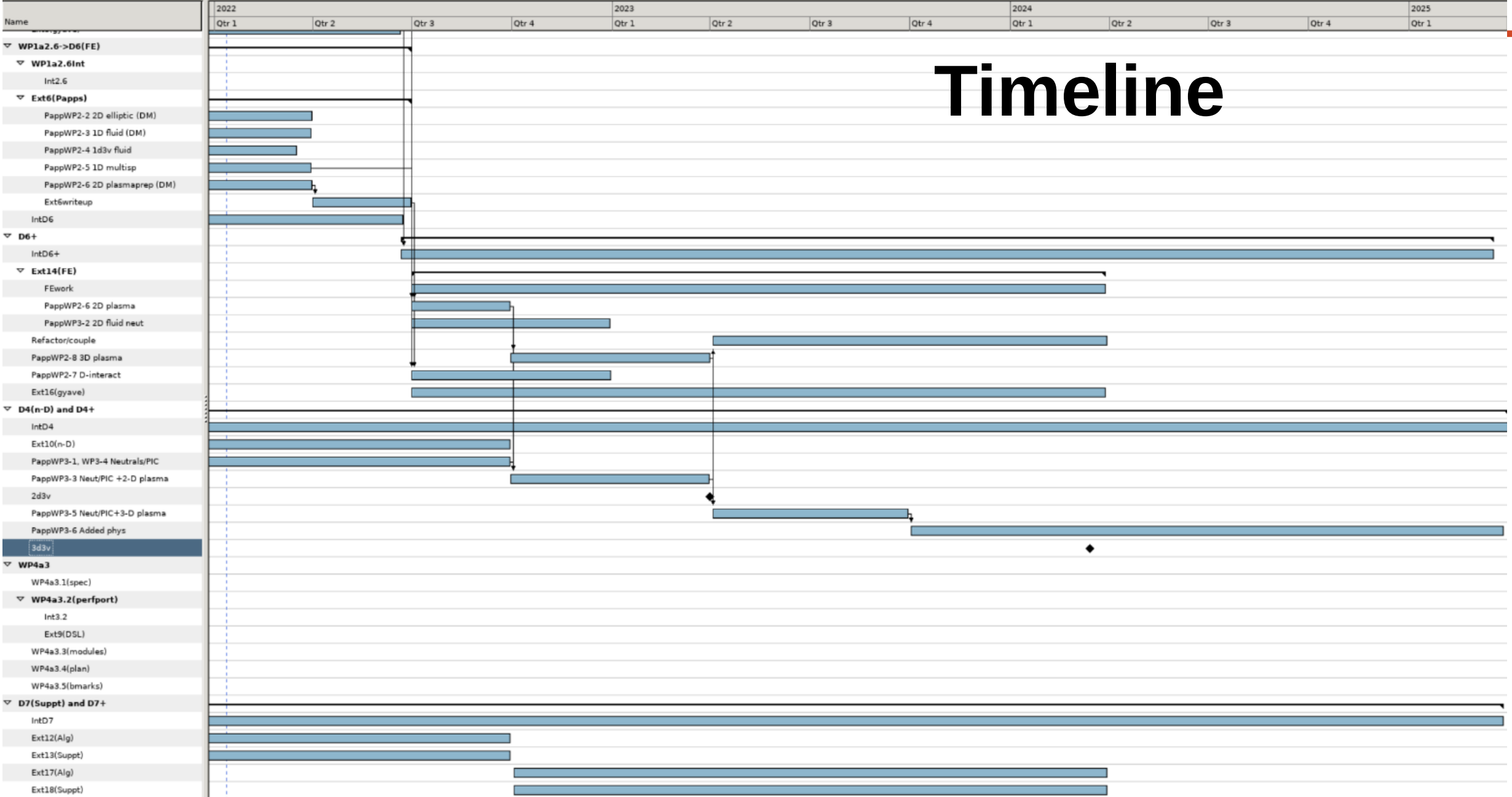


Software development uses repo based system instead

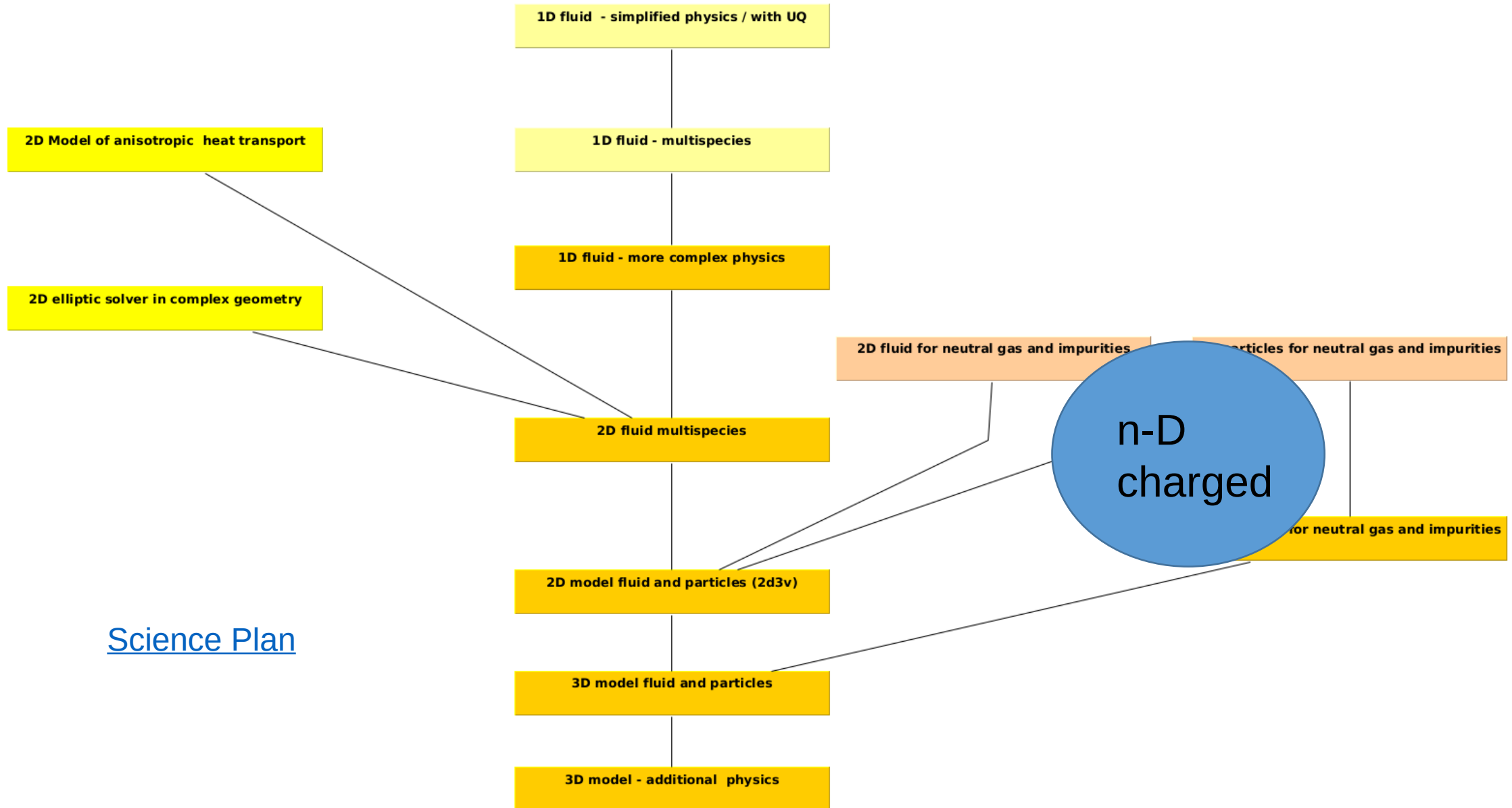
Breakdown by Task

No.	Task Title	Lead
1d	Project and Collaboration Management	– Rob Akers
4c	High-dimensional Models : includes particles	– James Cook
5c	Uncertainty Quantification	– Wayne Arter
6c	Finite element models	– Ed Threlfall (to present)
7c	Support and Coordination	- Vacant

- Task lead may call on other lead and NEPTUNE staff to do the work
- Tasks 5 and 6 are primarily to enable UKAEA to act as intelligent customer, Task 4 to write software and Task 7 to act as integrator



Development as a Sequence of Proxyapps



Science Plan

4. Tour of developers' website - management

<https://mbukaea.github.io>

Executive Summary – website designed following a review of technical literature / websites / book by Eben Hewitt

Business design – so everyone understands the context

Software development - after Ben Dudson, based on his experiences of the BOUT++ development

7.2 Frequency of meetings, version control, repositories, workflow

9 Documentation & testing.

Design Justification File – based on reports produced to-date. Need to download

<https://github.com/ExCALIBUR-NEPTUNE/Documents/>

and index contents by desktop search engines such as DocFetcher or Recoll

Development Principles

Important principles

General: Communication and good design, and how to achieve (Eben Hewitt)

Use case → requirements, using IETF* conventions

MECE** lists

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N.B. Developer website has material on “object recognition”

UQ: Write once, use many times

Use of conventions, consistent symbology and enforce, *especially* only ASCII in repos

Good interfaces imply reliability

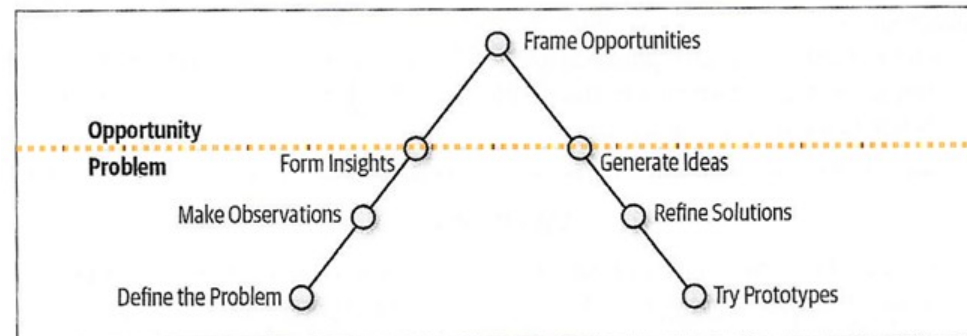
Exascale: Technology (which includes software) will change

- separation of concerns by careful design of code structure (libraries)
- importance of separate mathematical formulation
- always two options, option to make a case to replace one

*Conventions on use of *must*, *should* etc.

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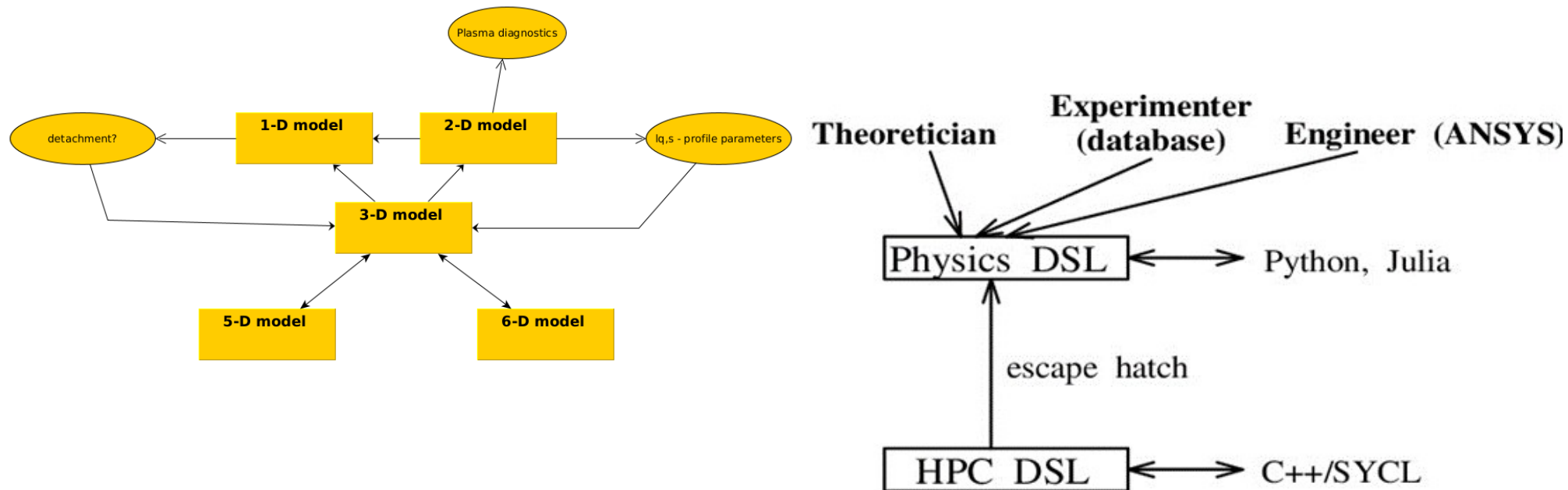


Tour of developers' website - technical

<https://mbukaea.github.io>

- Requirements baseline
- Challenges, what the engineers wanted below (Physicists' wants in TS)
 - Use cases, potential users invited to say what they want
 - Important note regarding DSLs – two workshops held

Conventions, acronyms and symbols, eg. DSL Domain Specific Language



Summary

Important conclusions

1. Exploited “blank sheet of paper” to produce process for developing opensource software, using opensource tools where possible.
2. Must understand limitations of university contribution to software development.
3. Choice of DSL can be fraught.

Achievements to-date, at approx. 55% spend (80% spend committed)

- UKAEA and Grantees produced 100 tech. reports (c.50 each, say 2-3 books), 17 repositories, significant updates to Nektar++ library.
- UKAEA has run NEPTUNE mini-symposium at PP22, and 4 workshops
- Presented at ExCALIBUR workshops