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Establishing the learning goals, a look at the programme

Learning goals:

1. Learn McStas basics
2. Build and operate simple instrument models, source + optics + sample + detector
3. Learn basics of instrument-optimisation for your type of instrument
4. Add Mantid / NeXus capabilities
5. Get a better idea of what you want to do with McStas, how to do it, how to get help
6. Get up-to-speed with latest developments and advanced features

⇨ Enable your independent work with McStas

School programme

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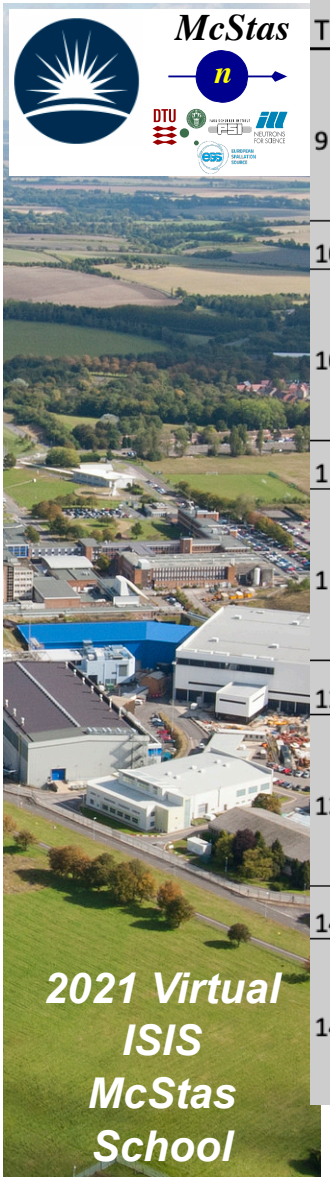
School programme - day 1



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Intro lecture, general principles

Lectures + “recipe” exercises

Sample-lecture, including “advanced McStas grammar…

+ “homework”:
Start off / work on your own instrument-project

In “cookbook” sections, think ahead toward your own project:

* Which neutron source
* What optics
* What sample

- K.I.S.S. for now

School programme - day 2

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Lectures on polarisation and instrument optimisation technicals

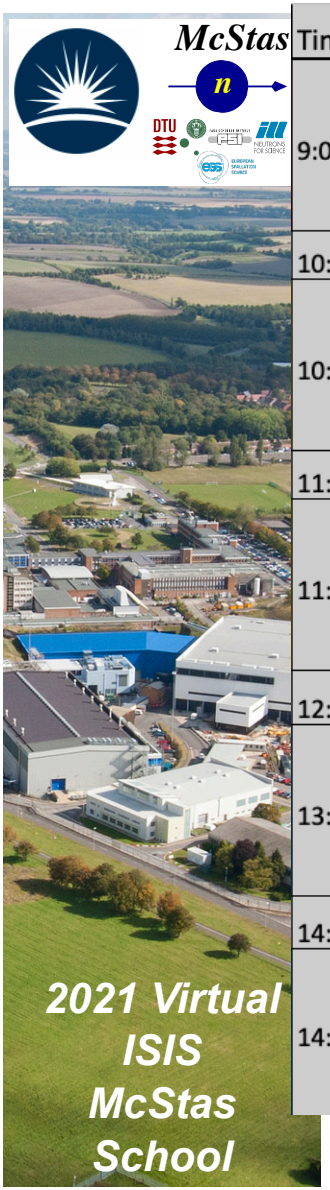
Discipline-specific parallel-sessions + work-sessions.

Continue on “homework”

Mantid-intermezzo, lecture and demo

Add Mantid backend to your “homework” - or simply continue on it.

School programme - day 3, fancy-fancy “new stuff”



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Lecture:
Union subsystem - sample environments and backgrounds…

Lecture:
Guide_bot, guide optimisation “robot”

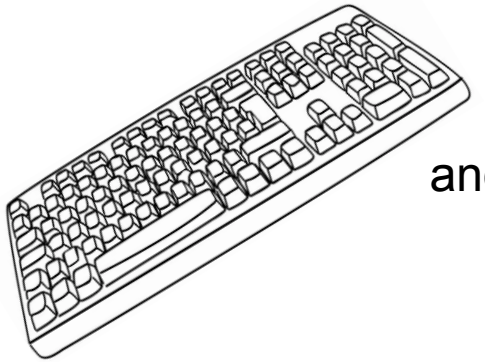
Lectures, speed-up your future:

Using GPU’s with RAMP or McStas 3

2 x breakouts:
a) Write your first component
b) Port your instrument / component to McStas 3

Continue “homework"
Give us feedback
Ask your last in-school questions

For the exercise-based work-sessions

- You will benefit from working in pairs, 2 > 1
- Take turns being the “coder”  and the “parallel processor” 

Let’s get to it!