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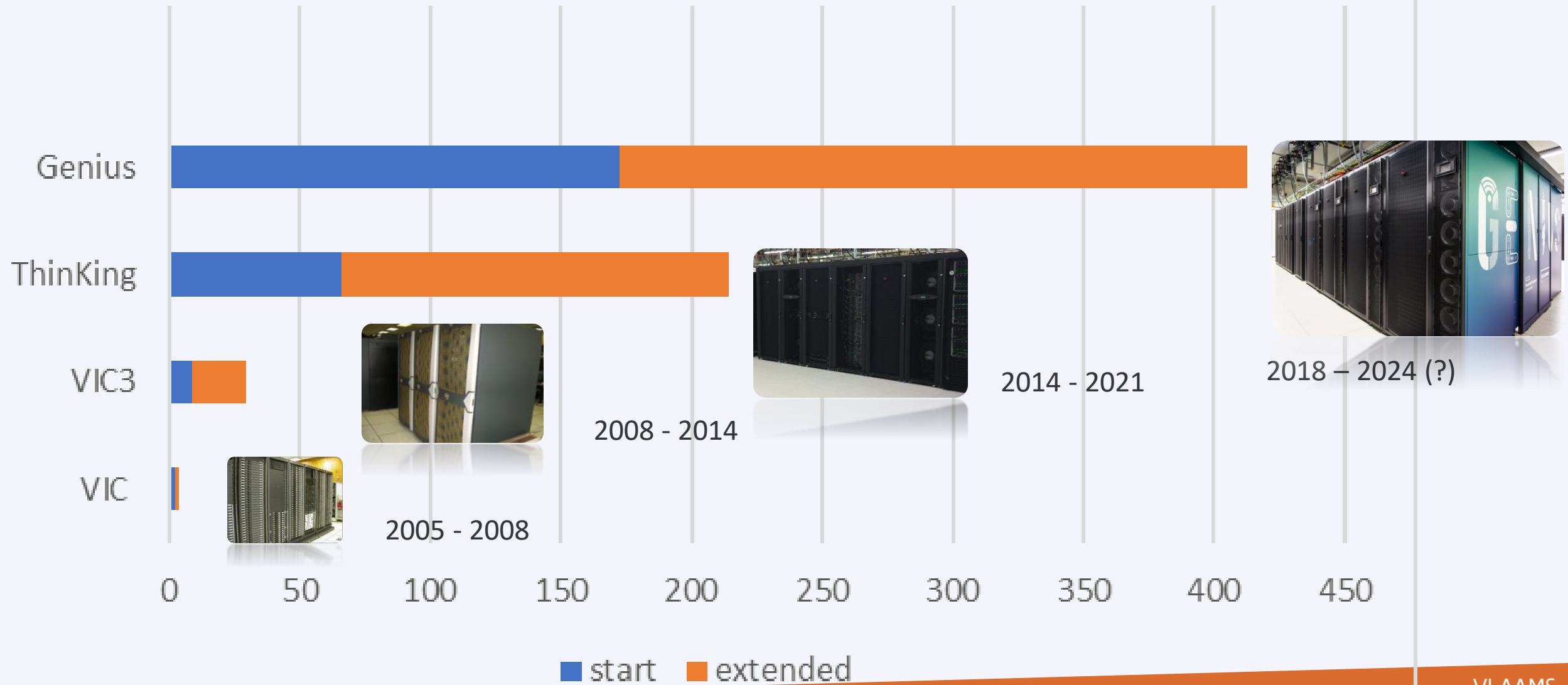


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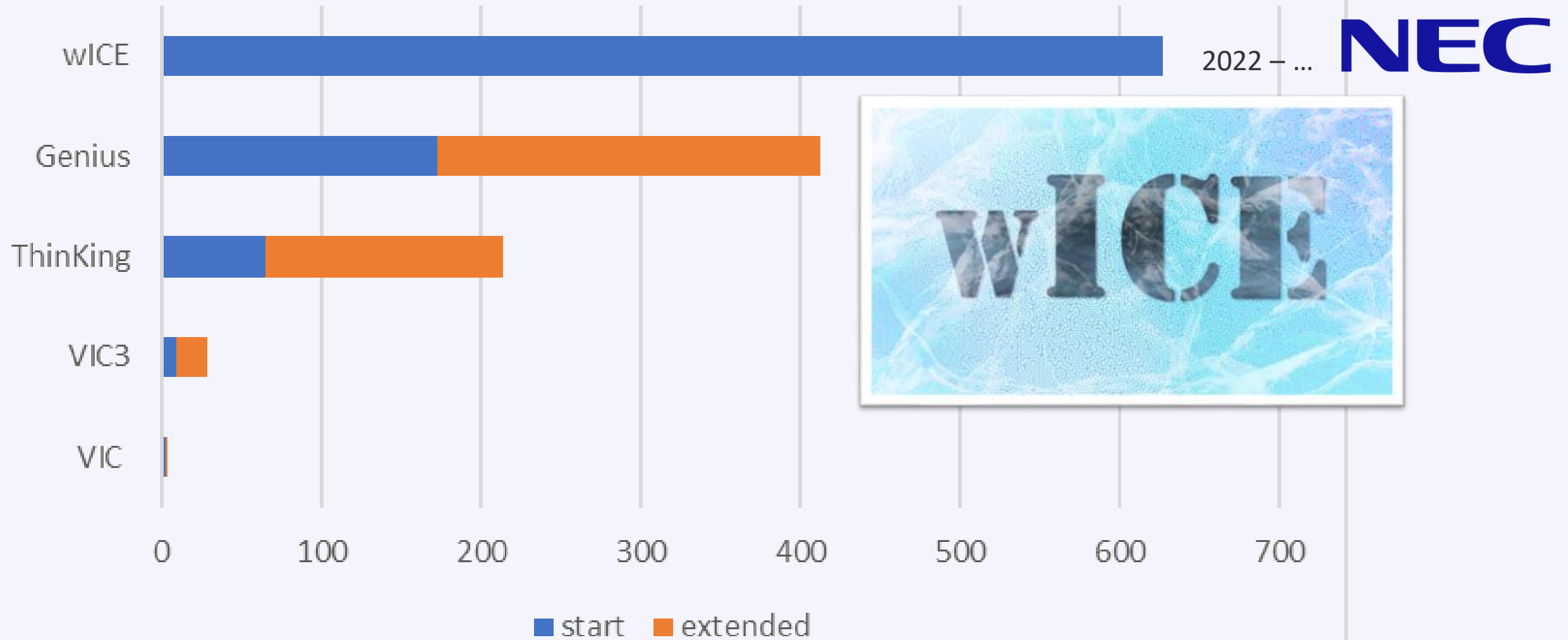
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# Tier-2 Evolution (CPU TFlops)



# Evolution of TFlops

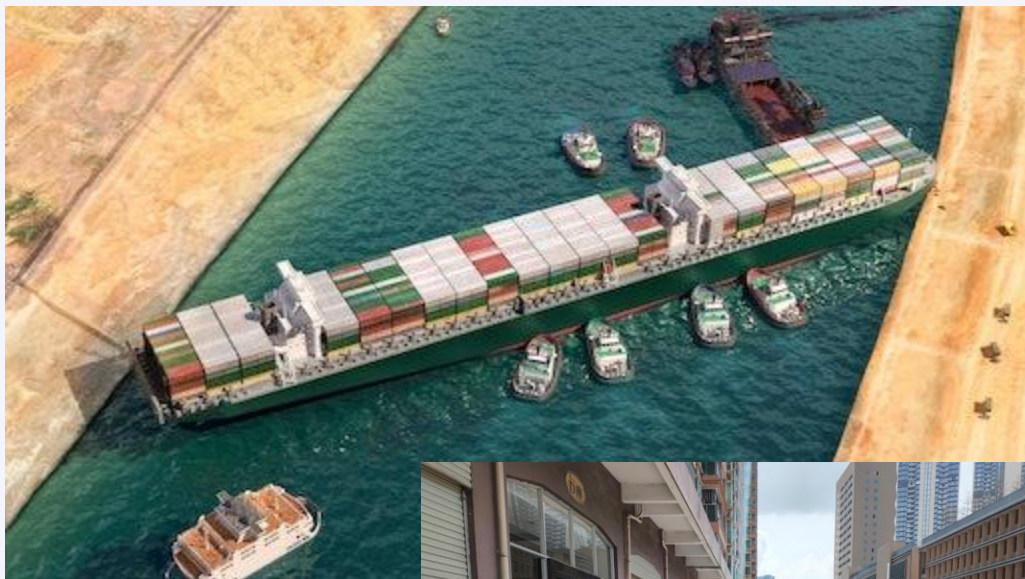


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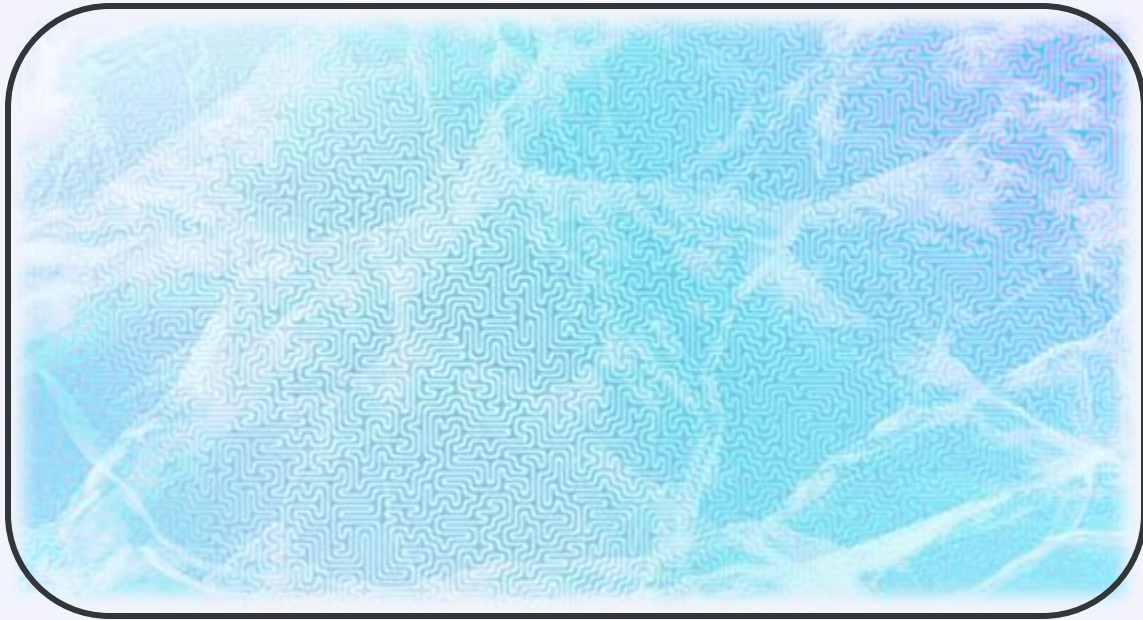


# Flexibility in strange times...



# Stepping in Genius footprints

Thin node Island



GPU Island



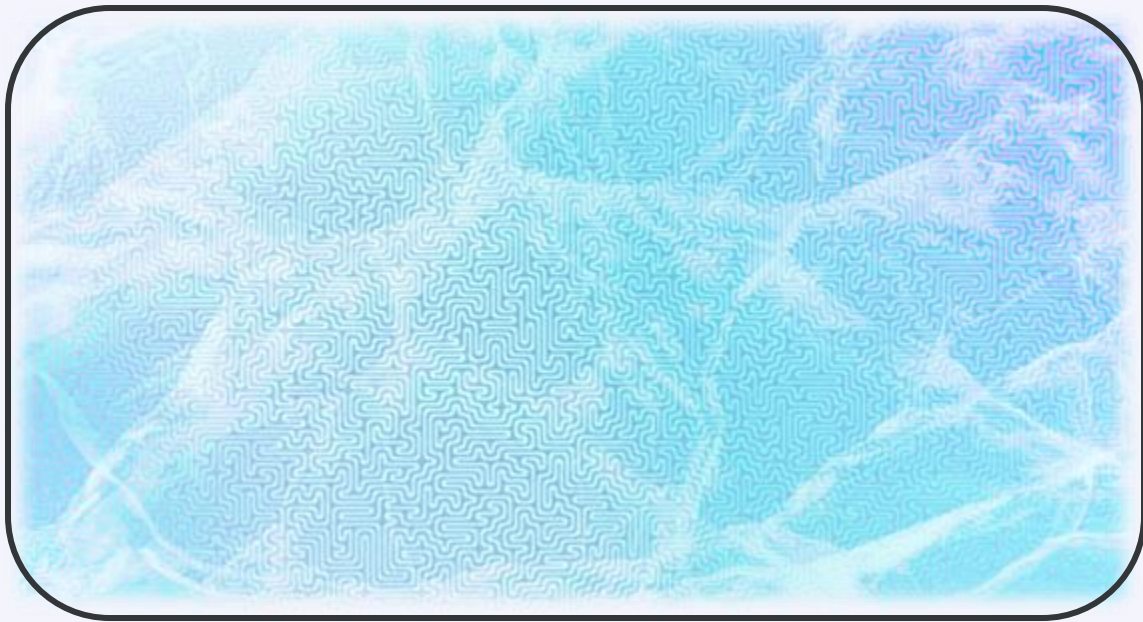
Large memory Island





# And adding something more

Thin node Island



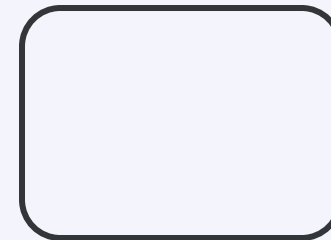
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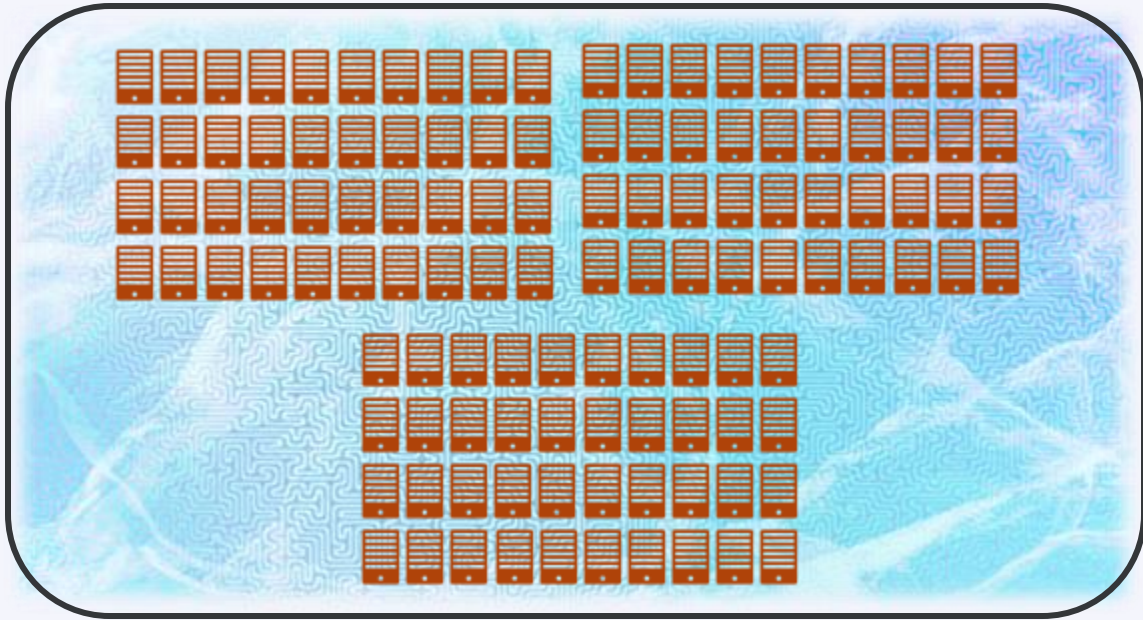
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# Moving forward

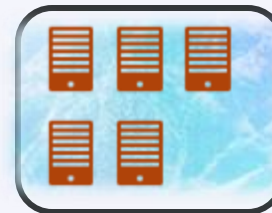
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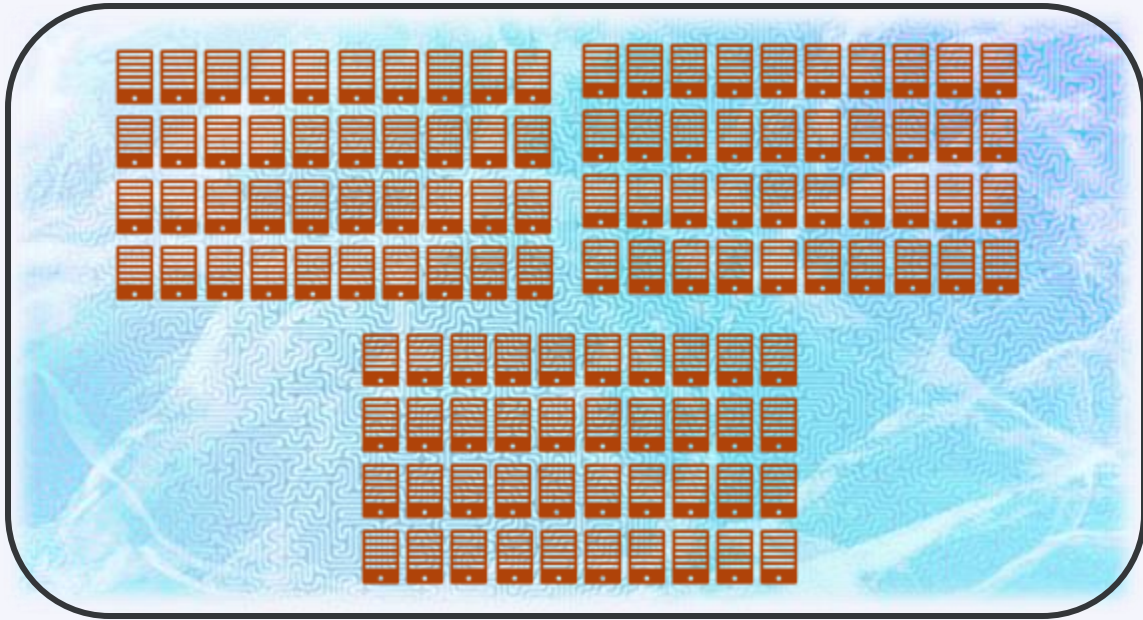


Interactive Island



# Moving forward

**Thin node Island** 172 nodes (12K cores)  
72 core/node  
256 GB Ram **intel**



**GPU Island** 16 Nvidia A100 80GB



**Large memory Island**



2 TB RAM

**Interactive Island**

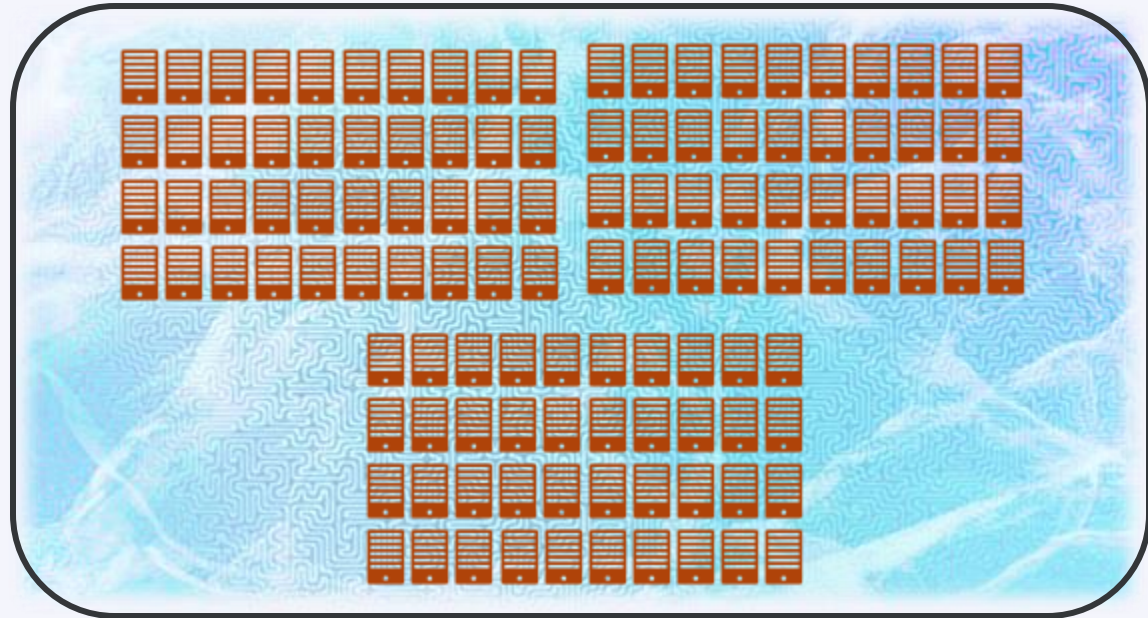


5 Nvidia A100 80 GB RAM  
512GB RAM

# Moving forward

**Thin node Island** 172 nodes (12K cores)  
72 core/node  
256 GB Ram

+150  
%

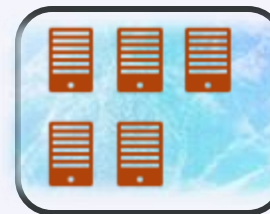


**GPU Island** 16 Nvidia A100 80GB

+70%



**Large memory Island**



2 TB RAM

+130  
%

**Interactive Island**

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5 nodes  
5 Nvidia A100 80 GB RAM  
512GB RAM

# What's in it for you

- More capacity
  - Easier scheduling,
  - larger core sized jobs
- More capability
  - Additional GPU RAM
  - large memory workloads
- More flexibility
  - Smaler pre- post- processing
  - Development/prototyping
  - New interface to the cluster (openOnDemand)
    - Job submission
    - Notebooks/ Rstudio
    - ...



# Closed pilot testing

- Improved performance
  - CPU compute capacity of a single node  $\sim 1.6 - 2x$
  - But also scaling performance per core
  - GPU compute V100 compared to A100 x2
- Overall stability of the system has been good
  - Network issues were solved
  - But other problems might still show up
- No major software issues
  - But new OS / Kernel / Toolchain version, it might need work

# Now it's your turn to pilot

- Open pilot until the end of the year
- **Going from PBS to Slurm** => Adapt jobscripts
  - And don't forget 72 cores/node
- Your own scaling tests are needed
  - Software availability and compatibility
  - Memory bandwidth per core is lower
  - For hybrid codes test # MPI process per node

# wICE is here for your research



Acknowledgement

## JOURNAL ARTICLE

### Rotation and toroidal magnetic field effects on the stability of two-component jets

Dimitrios Millas, Rony Keppens, Zakaria Meliani

Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Volume 470, Issue 1, August 2017,

Pages 592–605, <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stx1288>

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## A Coupled Guiding Center

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RESEARCH ARTICLE  
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### Key Points:

- For the first time, a global land surface model was adapted to include natural and drained tropical peatland hydrology
- Evaluation with in situ data shows that the tropical natural and drained

## Tropical Peatland Hydrology Simulation

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## Decoding gene regulation in the fly brain

Jasper Janssens, Sara Aibar, Ibrahim Ihsan Taskiran, Joy N. Ismail, Alicia Estacio Gomez, Gabriel Aughey, Katina I. Spanier, Florian V. De Rop, Carmen Bravo González-Blas, Marc Dionne, Krista Grimes, Xiao Jiang Quan, Dafni Papasokrati, Gert Hulselmans, Samira Makhzami, Maxime De Waegeneer, Valerie Christiaens,

## Three-dimensional phase-field simulation of microstructural evolution in three-phase materials with different diffusivities

Hamed Ravash, Jef Vleugels & Nele Moelans

[Journal of Materials Science](#) 49, 7066–7072 (2014) | [Cite this article](#)

## THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL LETTERS

### On the Dependency between the Peak Velocity of High-speed Solar Wind Streams near Earth and the Area of Their Solar Source Coronal Holes

Stefan J. Hofmeister<sup>1</sup>, Astrid M. Veronig<sup>1,2</sup>, Stefaan Poedts<sup>3,4</sup>, Evangelia Samara<sup>3,5</sup>, and Jasmina Magdalenic<sup>5</sup>

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# Let us know how it's going with your pilot





# Program – afternoon

- 14:00-14:50h : parallel session 1
  - Slurm Introduction
  - OpenOnDemand
- 14:50-15:10h : Break
- 15:10-16:00h : parallel session 2
  - Slurm Introduction
  - Lustre filesystem & parallel storage
- 16:10-16:30h : Students @ work
- 16:30-17:00h : 1-minute presentation poster session & wrap-up
- 17:00 : Reception