

Les activités sur l'énergie nucléaire au sein du GDR SciNEE

Activities on nuclear energy within the GDR SciNEE

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Scope of the GDR SciNÉE

« **Sciences Nucléaires pour l'Energie et l'Environnement** »

« Nuclear Sciences for Energy and the Environment »

Created on January 1^{rst} 2018 for 5 years → renewal at the end of 2022

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CNRS: Sections 01 & 13 (& 15)

CNU: 29 & 31, 33

Labs: CENBG (LP2I), CSNSM (IJCLab), GANIL, IPHC, IPNL (IP2I), IPNO (IJCLab), LPC Caen, LPSC, Subatech, CEMHTI, ICCF, ICN, ICSM, IRCER, NIMBE, SPMS, UCCS, UMET, **Synchrotron SOLEIL**

Scope of the GDR SciNÉE

The GDR is an animation tool, its missions are:

- **to gather the IN2P3 and INC researchers** involved in the nuclear energy and environment theme for their competences in nuclear sciences (communities especially coming from the CNRS interdisciplinary programs)
- **to animate the community** (no project budget) on the scientific level (propose workshops, support actions), within and between themes
- **to structure CNRS actions**, especially with respect to partner organizations (interface with the management of the Institutes)
- **to encourage the emergence of new projects with our partners in order to respond to calls for projects from the funding agencies**, to identify transversal theses
- **to broaden the vision of young people** on the theme and **make young people more visible**
- **to give visibility** to the theme
- **to offer a framework to carry out prospective studies in our Institutes, to prepare evaluations**
- **to support training actions, schools (Ecole Joliot-Curie 2019)**

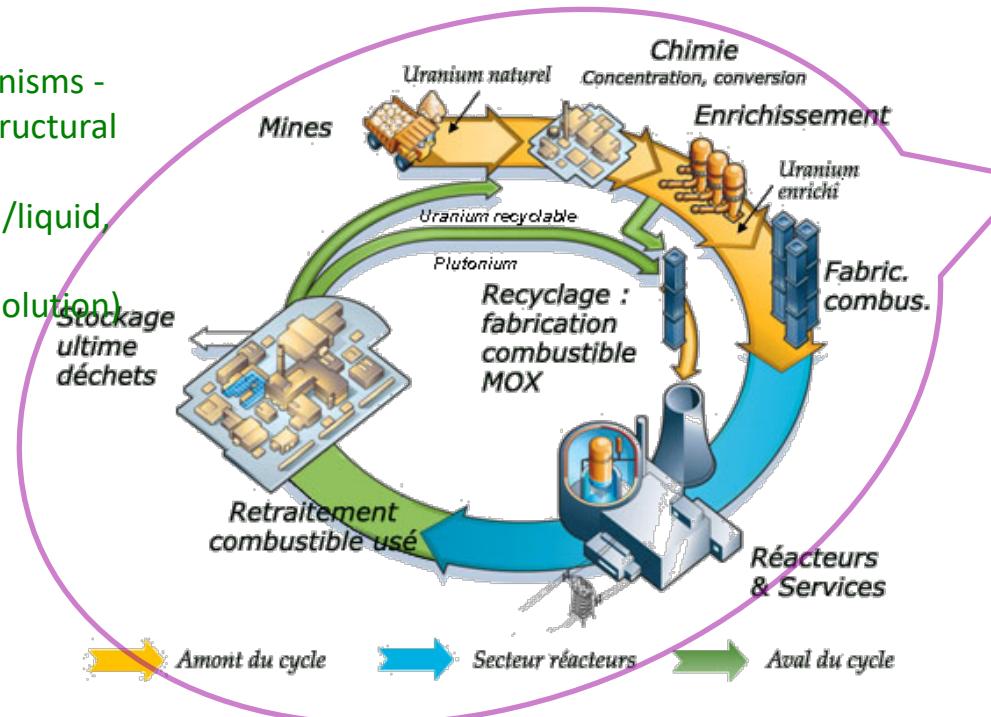
Scope of the GDR SciNÉE

Topics

Present & Future nuclear industry

Nuclear materials

- Radiation damage mechanisms - Understanding of microstructural evolution
- Material behavior at solid/liquid, and liquid/gas interfaces (radiolysis, corrosion, dissolution)



Radiochemistry and chemistry of the nuclear fuel cycle

- Physico-chemistry of actinides

Behavior and impact of radionuclides (RN) in the environment

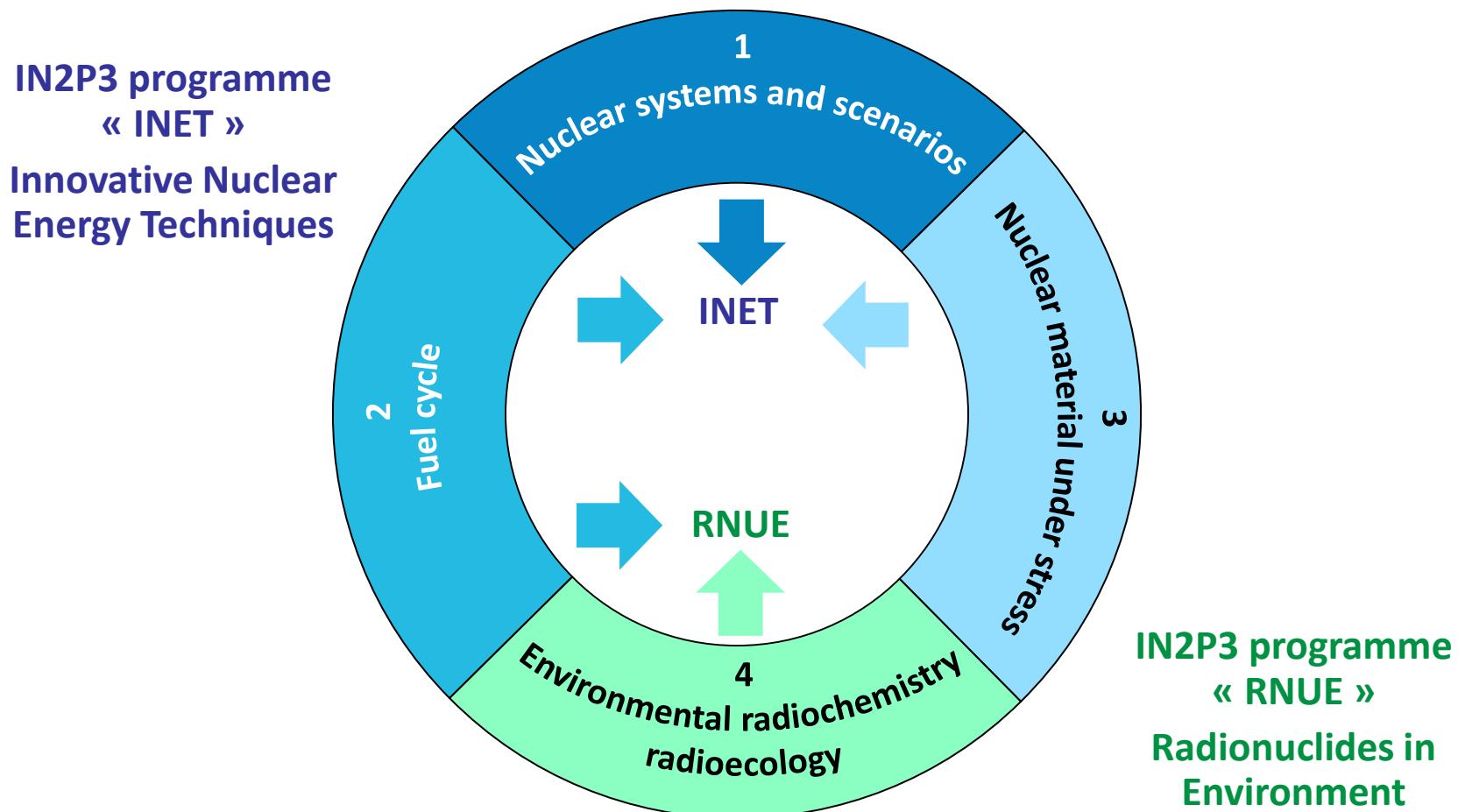
- Measuring / mapping radioactivity
- Speciation of radioelements
- Mechanistic description of the behavior of radioelements

Nuclear reactors and associated nuclear data

- Nuclear data measurement, modelling, evaluation
- Neutronics and thermohydraulics models, sensitivity analysis
- Fuel cycle and interdisciplinary scenarios

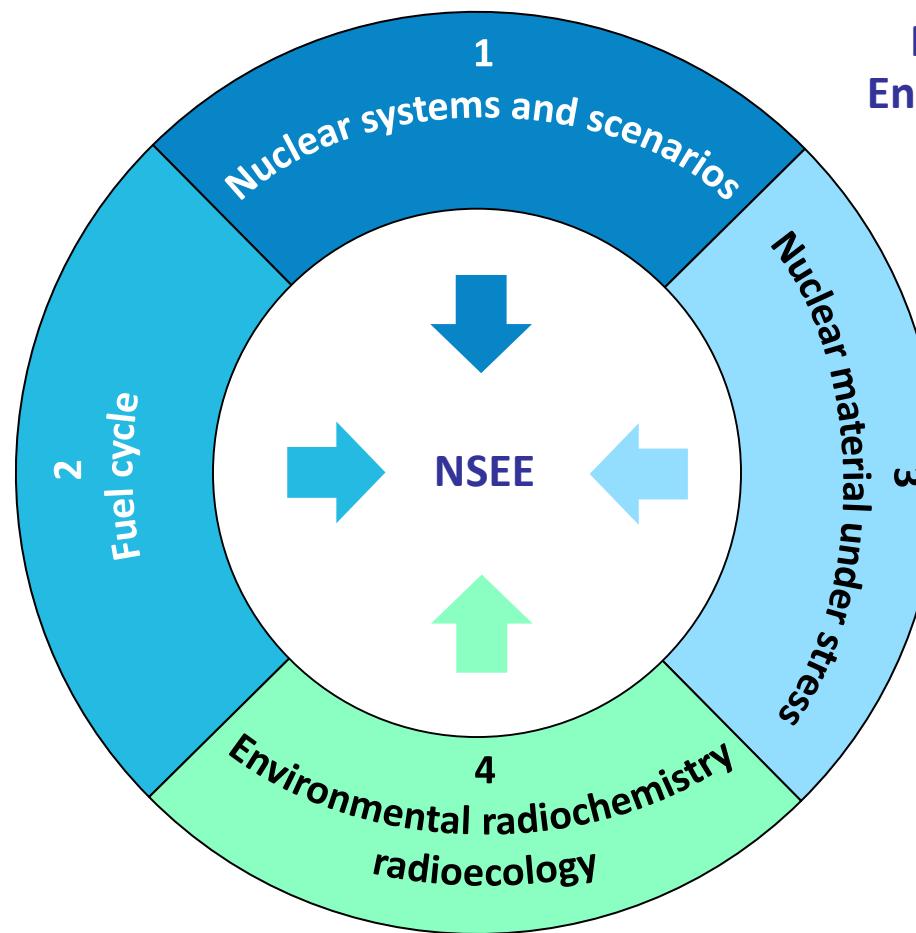
Structure of the GDR / IN2P3

- 4 thematic poles for an animation representative of the diversity of our research:



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- A possible evolution ?

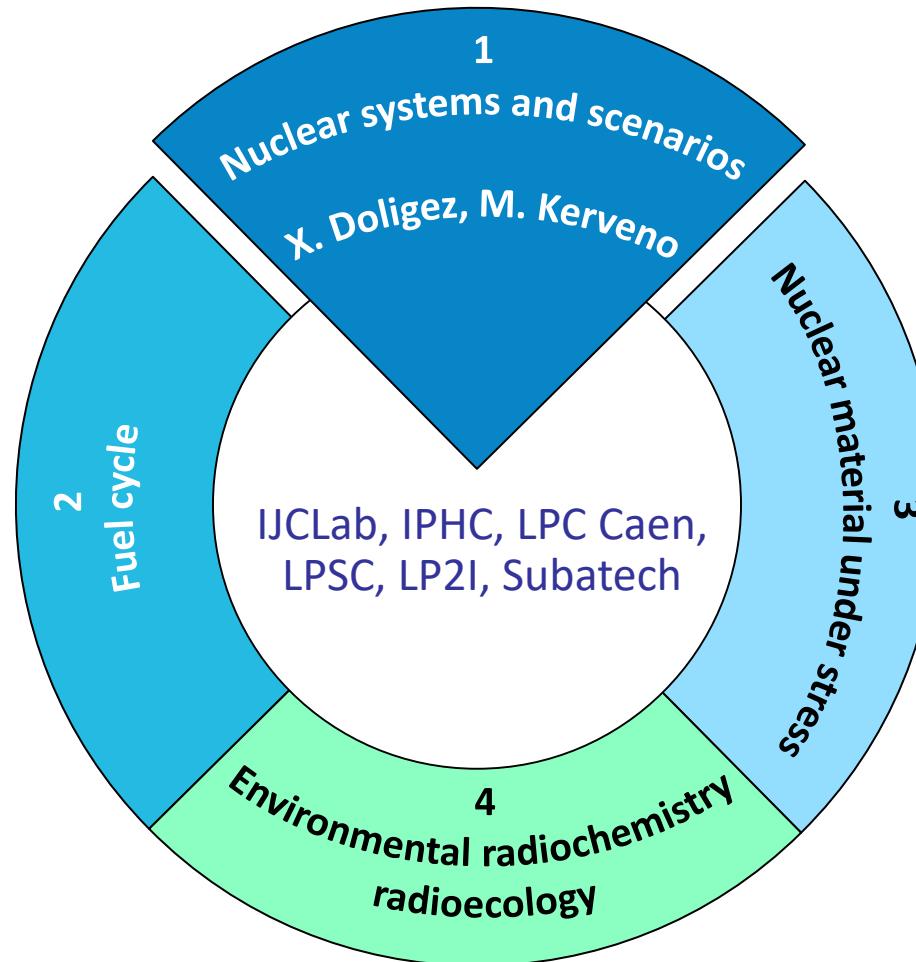


IN2P3 programme
« SNEE »

Nuclear Sciences for
Energy and Environment

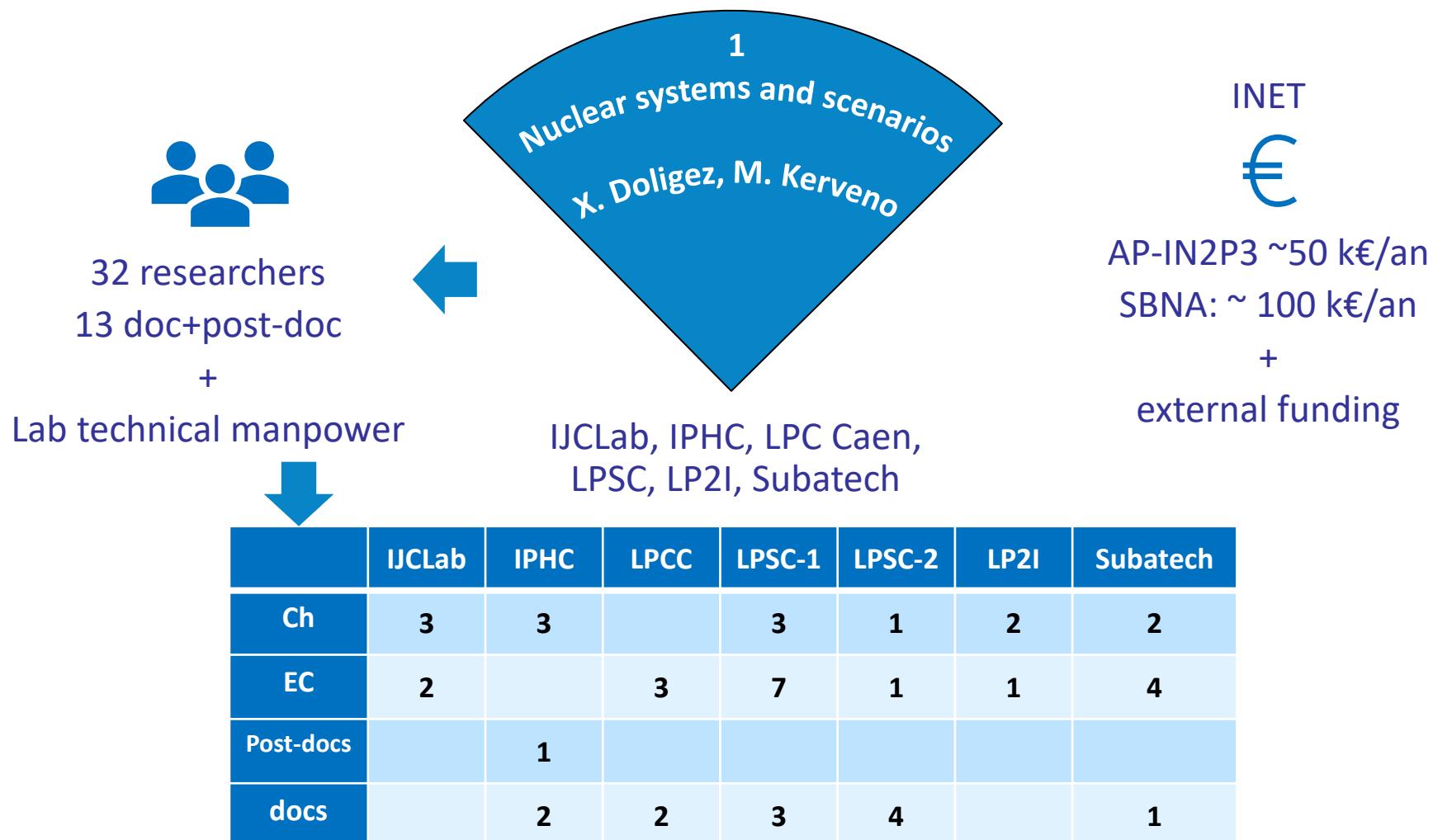
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- Activities reviewed by the SC today belong to pole 1 whose specificity is to concern only IN2P3 staff



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- What resources

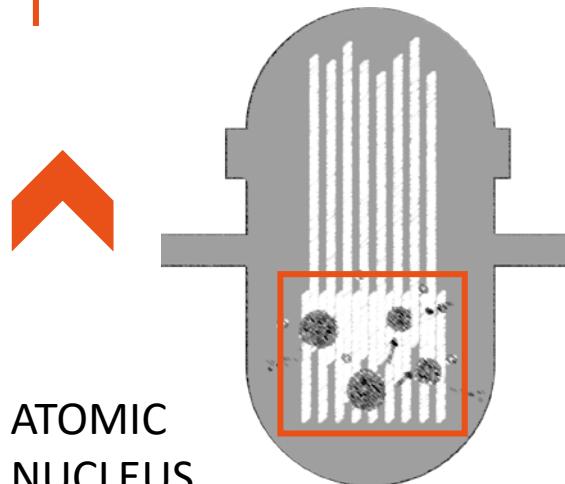


Scientific approach

Scientific approach: 4 levels of physics scale

REACTOR CORE

Neutronics, kinetics (exp.
& model.)



ATOMIC NUCLEUS

Particles-nucleus interaction
and decay studies (exp. &
model.)



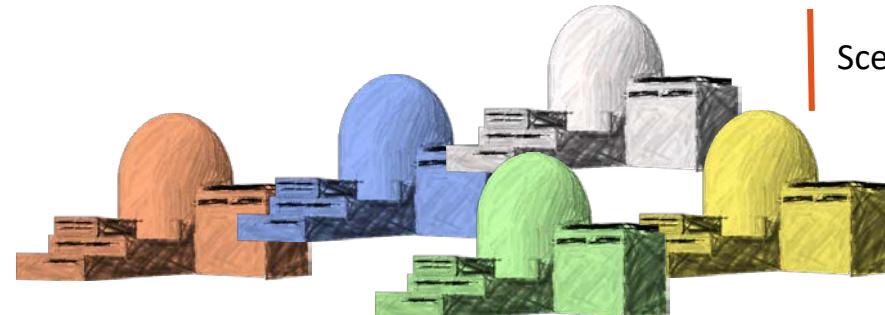
REACTOR

Multi-physics, thermo-
hydraulics, safety,
innovative systems



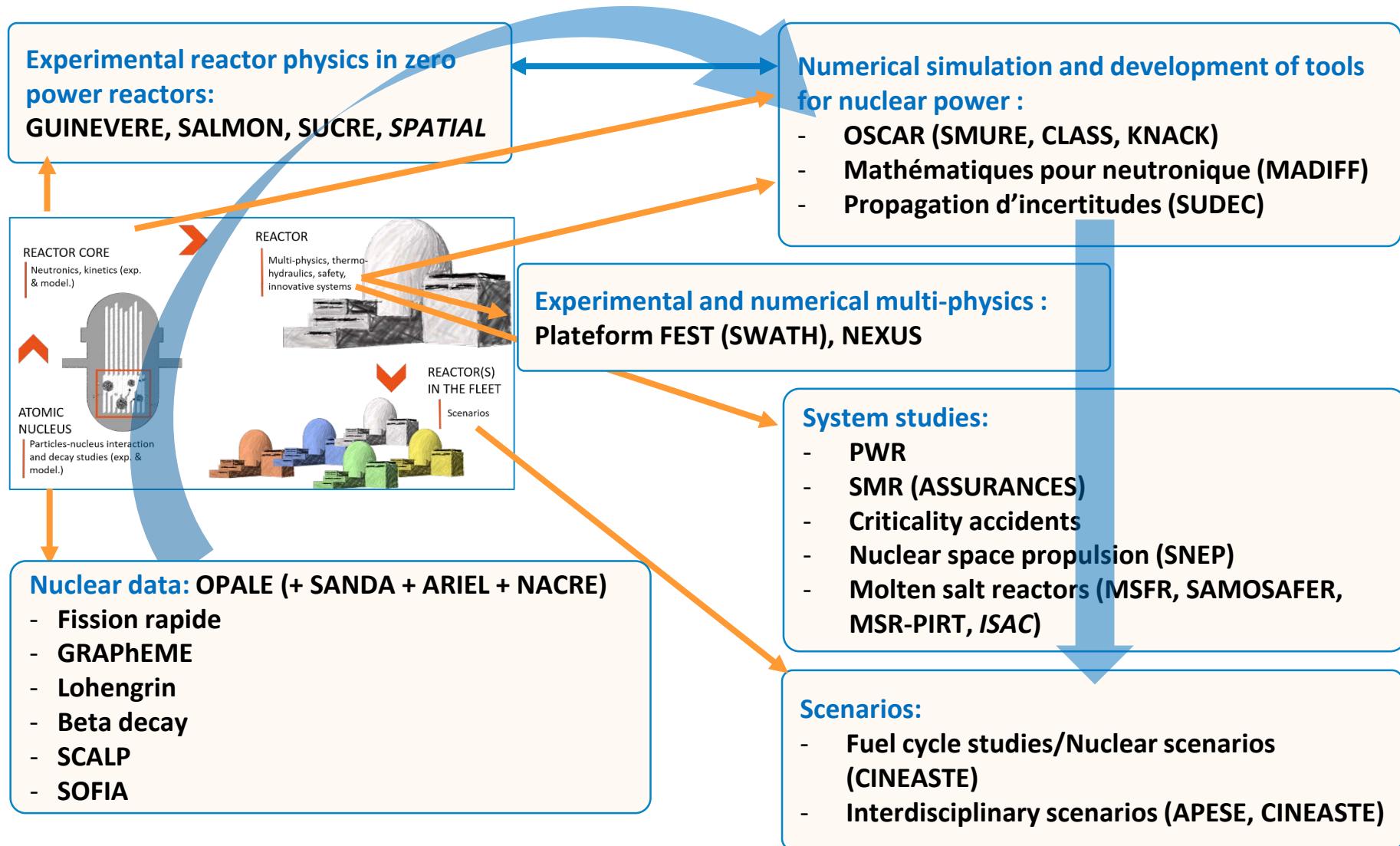
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Scenarios

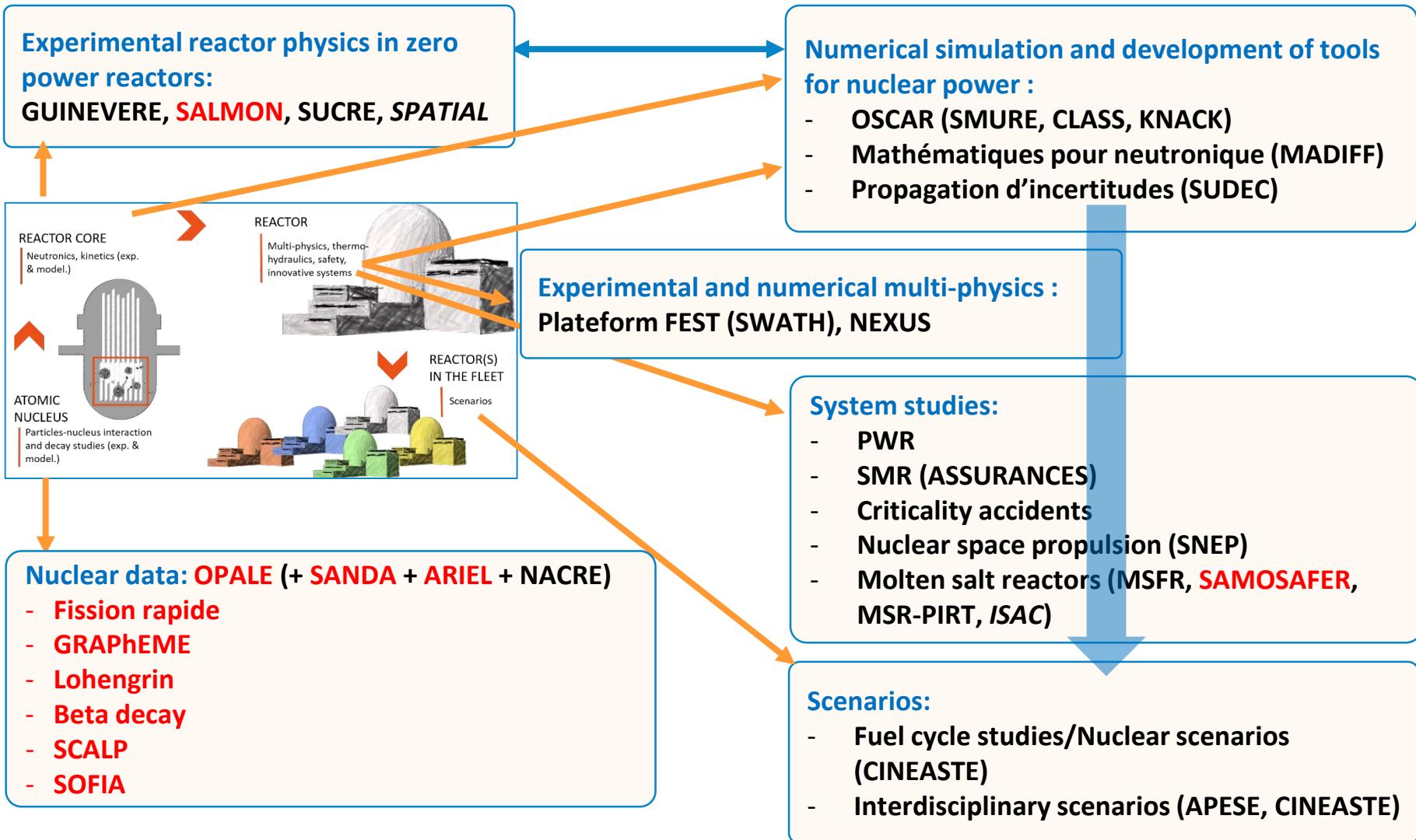


→ IN2P3 has the skills and know-how in all these areas : a real asset

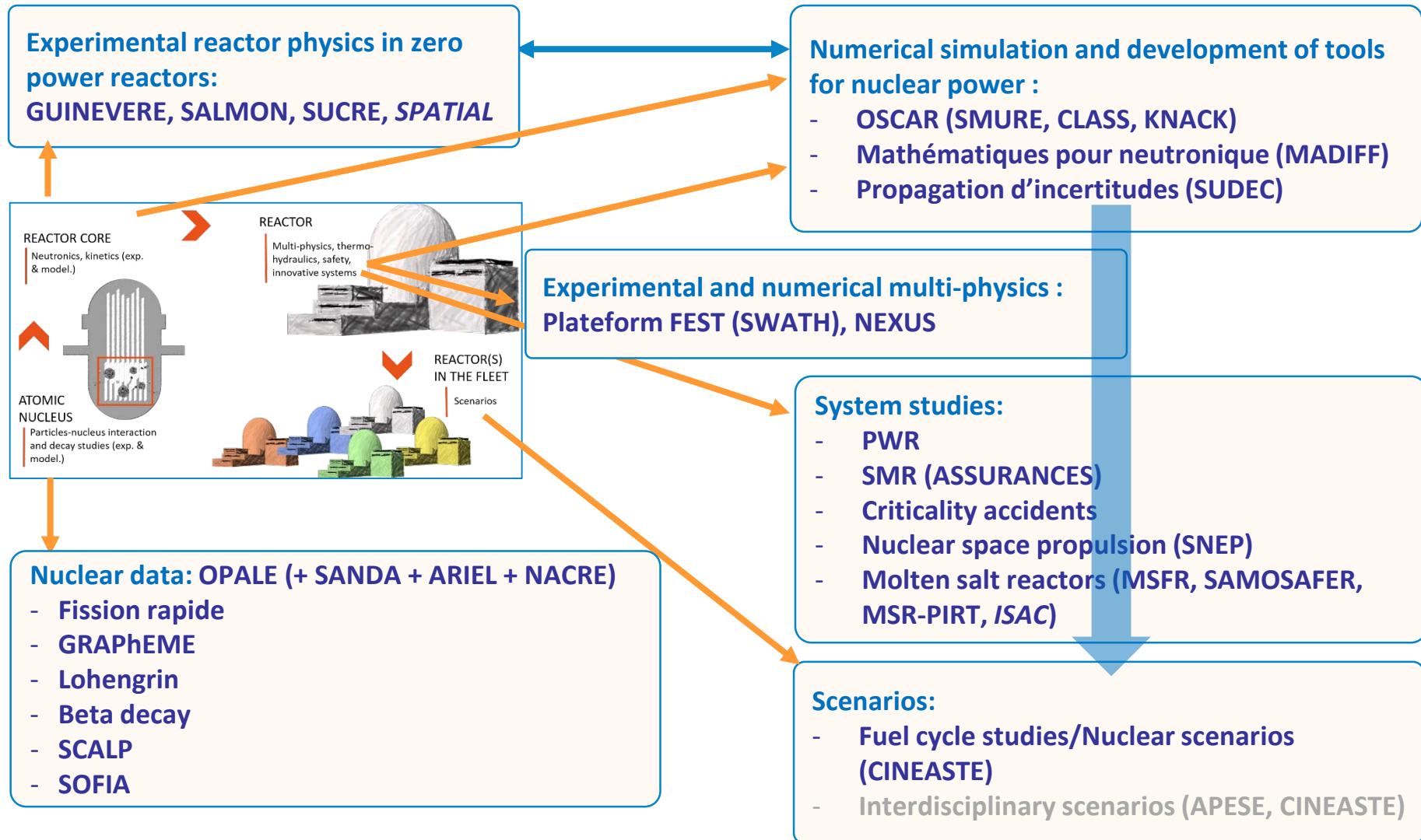
Activities and projects



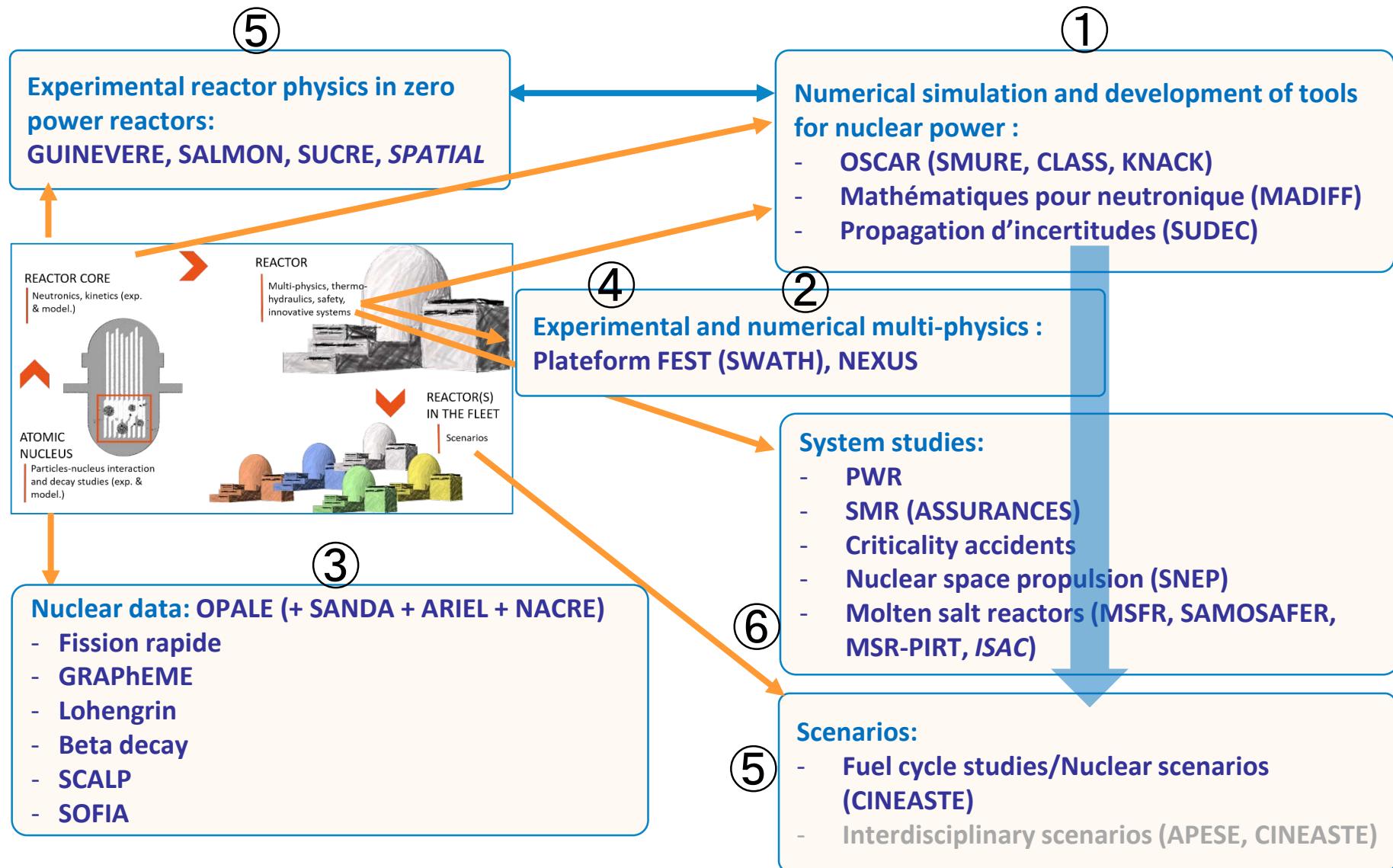
Activities and projects (NSIP-IN2P3)



Activities and projects (reviewed today)



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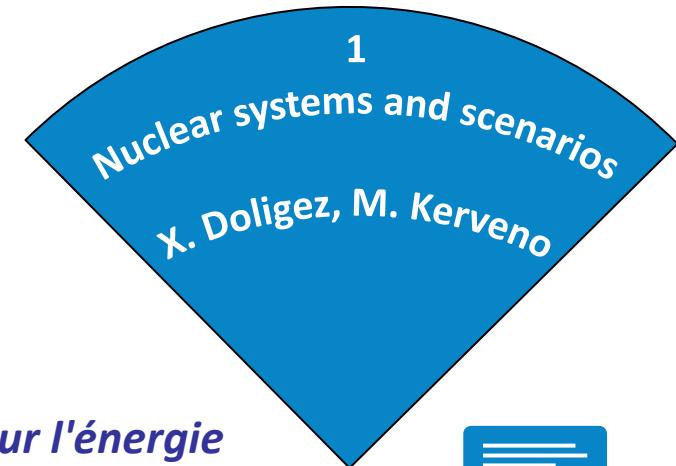


Actions of the GDR

- Actions of the GDR in connection with pole 1:

→ Internal workshops or with external partners
(CEA, IRSN, EDF, ORANO, Framatome...)

- Workshop "*Quels axes de recherche au CNRS pour l'énergie nucléaire ? Contribution du pôle 1 du GDR SciNÉE*" les 6-7 novembre 2018, Orsay
- Workshop "*Dommages d'irradiation dans les réacteurs nucléaires ; modélisations et expériences à toutes les échelles pour les études de vieillissement*", 13-14 juin 2019, Orléans
- Workshop "*Incertitudes induites par les données nucléaires : de l'usage des mesures aux études réacteurs*": 6-7 avril 2021



Actions of the GDR

- In 2019 the GDR initiated a collective reflection for the **IN2P3 prospective exercise (2020-2030)** of the GT11 working group:

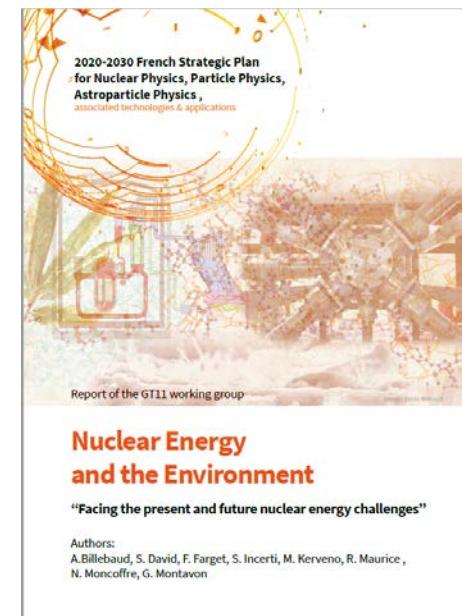
→ 2 collective proposals
+ 2 topical proposals



→ Science Driver: *Exploring the potential of nuclear energy for the future and its impact on resources, wastes and costs*

- Meeting these challenges requires

- to build nuclear databases as complete and accurate as possible
- to build relevant modelling of neutron fields at all reactor scales
- to deepen the safety aspects of innovative concept (MSFR)
- to build a modern and interdisciplinary modeling of nuclear scenarios



The prospective exercise

- Associated fundamental issues

- Better knowledge of nucleon-nucleus interaction and decay properties of atoms (exp. and theo.)
- Better knowledge of neutronic, thermodynamics, and coupled models... and associated numerical methods
- Innovative reactor physics experiments
- Optimization of reactor models, quantification and propagation of nuclear data uncertainties in scenarios
- Coupling of physical models with a global economic model

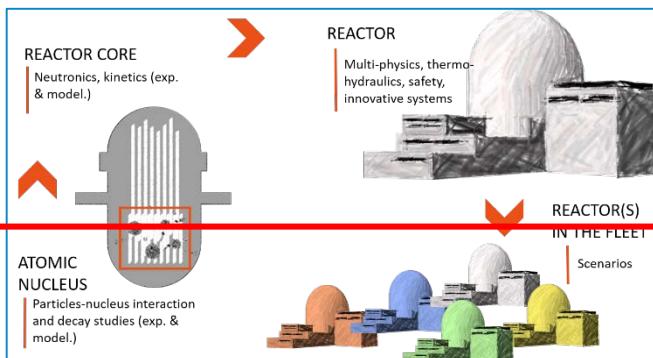
➔ Main axis identified for the future presented :

- Collective proposals:
 - **Nuclear data**
 - **Reactor physics: open access computing platform of physics models and validation experiments**
- Liquid fuel reactors
- Energy and nuclear scenarios

Activities reviewed today meet the SD

Reactor physics: open access computing platform of physics models and validation experiments

Experimental reactor physics in zero power reactors:
GUINEVERE, SALMON, SUCRE, SPATIAL



Numerical simulation and development of tools for nuclear power :

- OSCAR (SMURE, CLASS, KNACK)
- Mathématiques pour neutronique (MADIFF)
- Propagation d'incertitudes (SUDEC)

**Experimental and numerical multi-physics :
Plateform FEST (SWATH), NEXUS**

Nuclear data: OPALE (+ SANDA + ARIEL + NACRE)

- Fission rapide
- GRAPhEME
- Lohengrin
- Beta decay
- SCALP
- SOFIA

Nuclear Data

System studies:

- PWR
- SMR (**ASSURANCES**)
- Criticality accidents
- Nuclear space propulsion (**SNEP**)
- Molten salt reactors (MSFR, SAMOSAFER, MSR-PIRT, **ISAC**)

Liquid fuel reactors

Scenarios: **Energy and nuclear scenarios**

- Fuel cycle studies/Nuclear scenarios (**CINEASTE**)
- Interdisciplinary scenarios (**APESE, CINEASTE**)

Conclusion

- **Assets/Strengths of iN2P3**

- **Academic approach** of the nuclear issue: credit in a societal issue
- **Collaboration** with the main actors (close collaboration with CEA, IRSN) and industrial players
- Internationally recognized expertise

- **Impact of the GDR**

- Gives a structured vision of the theme (!)
- Allows to pilot animation actions in support of the work of the teams in order to achieve the objectives set by the prospective exercise
- Allows to keep on the long term a coordination of the upstream research and to create an open discussion forum with the nuclear players

