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Multi-Hierarchy

Simulation

of Magnetic Reconnection - Hierarchy-Interlocking in the Downstream Direction SHUNSUKE USAMI, HIROAKI OHTANI, RITOKU HORIUCHI, National Institute for Fusion Science, MITSUE DEN, National Institute of Information and Communications Technology — In order to understand magnetic reconnection as a multi-hierarchy phenomenon, we have developed a multi-hierarchy simulation model which solves macroscopic and microscopic physics simultaneously and selfconsistently. In our multi-hierarchy model, the domain decomposition method is employed. The physics in the macro-hierarchy is calculated by the MHD algorithm (MHD domain), and the dynamics in the micro-hierarchy is expressed by the PIC algorithm (PIC domain) [1]. Recently, with the hierarchy-interlocking in the upstream direction, we succeeded in the demonstration of multi-hierarchy simulation of magnetic reconnection. Aiming to apply our multi-hierarchy model to a larger system of magnetic reconnection in the future, we develop the hierarchy-interlocking model in the downstream direction. Using this model, we perform a multi-hierarchy simulation in which one-fluid plasma flow with a Maxwellian velocity distribution propagates from PIC to MHD domains. We can see that plasma is smoothly and continuously injected from PIC to MHD domains. In our presentation, these multihierarchy simulation results and future plan will be demonstrated.

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