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PDL SERVICE FOR PARIS-DURHAM MHD SHOCK CODE

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PDL based Framework				
Generic software components can be 'configured' by a PDL description for creating quickly fully interoperable new services				
Server exposing services as web services	User Interface (for interaction with PDL services)	Auto Generation of checking algorithms from description	Workflow plugin (for WF interaction with PDL services)	A priori computation of interoperability graphs

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The PDL Client/Server : deploy a UWS compliant service in few clicks using the PDL Framework

- The server
 - could run submitted jobs on
 - Server
 - Clusters
 - Grids
 - is based on JSP technology;
 - has a fully distributed architecture.
 - Interacts with the PDL client, but also with the PDL Workflows plugins.

On the exposed code

The interstellar medium (ISM)

- The Interstellar medium is constantly out of equilibrium, as it is permanently subject to energy injections in different forms :
 - Mechanical, with for instance the propagation of shock waves that accompany the formation and death of certain types of stars
 - UV radiation, emitted by the massive stars of the Galaxy
 - More energetic radiations : X-rays, and cosmic "rays"
- We provide a model to study the propagation of shocks in a relatively dense and molecular medium, best-suited to yield constraints on physical and chemical conditions around young stars of any kind, and old supernova remnants.
- In turn, such constraints:
 - Help us to understand the physics and chemistry at work in the ISM
 - Provide better insights on star formation scenarios
 - Provide an accurate knowledge on the ISM composition near supernova remnants, supporting cosmic rays-related questions
 - Allow to assess the contribution of shocks to the energetic balance of the Milky Way and of other galaxies

