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Numerical Simulations in Electric Propulsion

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to bring together the latest research on numerical simulations of electric propulsion systems.

- Numerical simulation of plasma physics in traditional electric propulsion systems, such as gridded ion thrusters, hall effect thrusters, pulsed plasma thrusters, electrospray, arcjets and MPD thrusters.
- Numerical simulation of novel plasma propulsion systems, such as helicon plasma thrusters, electron cyclotron resonance thrusters and radio-frequency ion thrusters.
- Numerical methodologies, such as particle-in-cell, kinetic methods, fluid methods, MHD and hybrid methods applied to electric propulsion systems.
- Optimization and design of electric propulsion systems using numerical simulations.
- Comparison of numerical simulation results with experimental data for electric propulsion systems.
- Numerical simulations of the plasma–satellite interaction
- Numerical simulation of atmosphere-breathing electric propulsion systems and plasma–atmosphere interaction.
- Numerical simulation of space debris removal by electric propulsion.
- Numerical simulation of electric propulsion systems for in-orbit servicing.

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