

Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Embedded Machine Learning for Smart Simulations

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Predictive Simulations have Become the Third Branch of Science and are Key for Hypothesis Generation, Exploration, and Validation

- In most cutting edge science applications we face a choice between
 - Coarse scale simulations:
 - Device scale simulations
 - Enable design optimization and UQ
 - Cannot represent all salient features
 Do not resolve all necessary physics
 - Fine scale simulations:
 - Can represent any important feature
 Resolve all necessary (known) physics
 - × Are severely limited in size
 - ☑ Are exceedingly expensive



Multiscale simulations combine the best of both world





Multiscale is a Widely Used Term With Different Meanings in Different Communities and With a Long History of Ideas

- Multi-grid techniques explicitly express simulations hierarchically to cover longer length- and timescales
 - Solve the same equations faster by focusing on key degrees of freedom
- Accelerated molecular dynamics explore multiple timescales by modifying the energy landscape or approximate force fields

 Specific solution for the sampling problem of MD simulations
- Similar solutions depend on unified representations that fundamentally do not bridge scales
 - Coarse scale equations are based on coarse scale physics
 - Fine scale representations grow beyond reasonable bounds





Many of the most interesting problems require coupling different representations

https://cen.acs.org/articles/90/i29/Simulations-Peg-Protein-Folding.html





Different Representations can Cover Different Physics, Different Length Scales, Different Time Scales, etc., and can be Nested

- Melt pools in manufacturing:
 - Continuum Phase field
- HE materials
 - Homogeneous material $\langle --- \rangle$ grain scale responses
- NIF holhraums
 - Hydrodynamics Atomic energy model
- Cancer signaling chain
 - Continuum membrane Bead level MD Atomistic
- Climate simulations
 - Ocean modeling ice sheets









Many Physics Simulations Directly Couple Either Multiple Scales or Multiple Types of Physics to Improve Accuracy

- Hydrodynamics vs. radiation transport
- Transport vs. reaction
- One particularly common pattern are "subgrid" models:
 - At each coarse time-step
 - At each mesh point
 - Call fine-scale physics (EOS, kinetics, rad. transport, ...)
- Depending on the fidelity subgrid models quickly dominate the run time









Deep Learning is Enabling us to Build Surrogate Models with Arbitrary Inputs and Outputs to Replace the Fine Scale Solution

- Advantages:
 - Massive expected improvements in performance
- Challenges:
 - Collect training data
 - Guarantee sufficient accuracy
 - Report potential failures
- Existing Solution
 - Execute a simulation of interest with the original physics to collect data
 - Train reliable surrogate model
 - Execute new simulation with surrogate model
 - Check for coverage and accuracy of the model
 - If problems are found **REPEAT** until convergence







Autonomous Multiscale Simulations (AMS) Describe a Next Generation Multiscale Framework to Address these Problems

- Surrogate models without the need for exhaustive training data
- Reliable models with well vetted defaults
- Persistent and continuously improving models
- Ability to exploit ensemble calculations
- Potential for nested multiscale without exploding system complexity

Warning – Work in Progress





Autonomous Multiscale Simulations





Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Integration

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Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Turn Bulk-Parallel Subscale Physics into Dynamic Workflow







Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Mitigate Inevitable Bottlenecks in Subscale Physics via Automatic Load Balancing







Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Preparing for Dynamic, "Autonomous" Models via Training Data Collection







Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Asynchronous and Independent Training Data Selection and Model Update





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Autonomous Multiscale Simulations – Workflow Coordination using Existing Cloud Infrastructure



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- Interface to gradually increase accuracy of subscale physics as models are converging

 Including the potential to integrate experimental data
- Simultaneously build multiple disjoint models
- Ability for nested multiscale modeling

First light computation of the single app version this Spring 2023







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