New Developments and Future Directions for M3D-C1

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Applications of M3D-C1 Focus on Stability, 3D Equilibria, and Disruptions

• Stability

- Classical tearing stability; locked modes
- EHO stability in QH-mode discharges
- Effect of pellet injection and pedestal structure on ELM stability

• 3D Equilibria

- Plasma response in ELM-mitigation experiments (Lyons)

• Disruptions

- Nonlinear evolution of VDEs (Pfefferlé) and tearing modes

New Pellet Modeling Capabilities Are Being Applied to ELM Stability

- Parks model of pellet ablation implemented by Alex Fil (PPPL)
- Effect of density "bumps" on ELM stability explored by Steffi Diem (ORNL)





Ongoing & Future Development Emphasizes Integrated Modeling and Disruptions

- Coupling with gyrokinetic codes (XGC, GTC) for calculating transport in 3D geometry
 - Goal is to understand how transport due to 3D fields affects pedestal structure
- Implementation of self-consistent fast ion species (Breslau)
- Integration with edge codes & improved edge modeling
 - Neutrals, radiation
- Disruptions are a primary focus
 - VDE calculations are being done to predict wall forces in NSTX-U and guide diagnostics development (Pfefferle)
 - M3D-C1 calculations are being used as a basis for RE modeling (Hirvijoki)
 - How do instabilities lead to disruptions?

Resistive Wall Modes

RWMs in Shafranov Equilibrium Have Analytic Solution for Code Verification

- Circular cross-section, cylindrical plasma with constant q, current density (J_z) and mass density (ρ_0) (Shafranov equilibrium)
- Analytic thin-wall solution provided by Liu et al. Phys. Plasmas 15, 072516 (2008)



M3D-C1 Reproduces Analytic RWM Result in Thin Wall Limit

- Growth rate calculated using linear, time-dependent calculation
- M3D-C1 agrees with analytic growth rate in both resistive-wall ($\tau_A << \tau_W$) and no-wall ($\tau_W << \tau_A$) limits



Complete Rotational Stabilization of RWM Observed

- Reduced-model (2-field) calculations show stabilization of RWM by toroidal rotation
 - $-\omega = \omega_0 (1 \psi_N)$
- Qualitative agreement with Pustovitov model*
 - $\gamma = \gamma_0 [1 (\omega/\omega_c)^2]$ where γ_0 is the growth rate with no rotation and $\omega_c = 2\gamma_0/n$
 - Pustovitov model derived in thick wall limit with uniform rotation
- Need to revisit calculations to determine mode frequency vs. plasma rotation

*Pustovitov Nucl. Fusion 53 (2013) 033001



Wesson Equilibrium has Smooth Profiles; Amenable to Solution with Full Model



- Fully compressible, resistive single-fluid MHD model
- $S_0 \approx 10^6$; Viscosity, thermal conductivity $\approx 0.2 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$
- Scan q_a while holding $q_0 = 1.1$ constant

Resistive Wall Modes and Wall-Stabilized Tearing Modes are Found



 Transition between two modes is smooth because resistivity across limiting surface is smooth

Current Density in RWM Eigenmode Peaks Where $\eta \approx \eta_W$



RWM is Completely Stabilized by Rotation

Uniform toroidal rotation is considered



 RWM growth rate appears to be linear function of mode frequency

– Complete stabilization is found when $\omega_{RWM}\tau_W\sim 25$

RWM Eigenmode is Sheared by Rotation

Uniform toroidal rotation is considered



Quasilinear Torque is Maximum



-1.5L

8.5

9.0

9.5

10.0

R (m)

10.5

11.0

- Net quasilinear torque on plasma always opposes mode rotation
 - Equal and opposite to torque on wall
- Torque deposition inside plasma changes with ω_{RWM}
 - Braking near peak of current density
 - Low ω_{RWM} : Acceleration outside mode peak
 - High ω_{RWM} : Acceleration inside mode peak





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Ultimate Goal is to Address Disruption Physics

• VDE calculations (David Pfefferlé)

- Demonstrated capability to simulate resistive timescales
- Quantitative agreement with Halo current measurements
- Nonlinear calculations of RWMs, Tearing Modes, and Locked Modes are being considered
 - How do these instabilities lead to disruptions?
 - Nonlinear M3D-C1 calculations of these instabilities tend to show mode saturation, not disruption
 - Need more physics? Radiation / impurity transport?
 - Need More realistic equilibria that are less "passively stable"?

Nonlinear Modeling of Tearing Modes Shows Recovery to 3D Equilibrium



- Loop voltage is applied to maintain current and provide heating
- TM fully stochasticizes plasma, but plasma recovers!
 - Open field line region is never stochasticized, despite resistive wall
- Effort is underway to model disruptions via radiative islands (Teng)

Optimization of M3D-C1 for HPC

M3D-C1 Kernel was Optimized for KNL at NESAP "Dungeon Session"

- NESAP = NERSC Exascale Science Applications Program
 - Collaboration between NERSC, Cray, Intel, and physics applications groups to optimize codes for KNL

• KNL = Intel's "Knight's Landing" compute nodes

- Will be used on Cori Phase II
- 68 cores / node
- 94 GB DDR4 memory (on Cori II), peak bandwidth 100 GB/s
- 16 GB MCDRAM / node, peak bandwidth 460 GB/s
- We optimized two M3D-C1 kernels at "Dungeon Session" at Intel in August
 - Matrix assembly kernel (not including communications)
 - PIC particle pushing kernel

2.8x Speedup Achieved for Matrix Assembly Kernel on KNL

- Replaced loops with level 2 & 3 BLAS
- Forced inlining of some functions w/ IPO
- Moved conditional outside loop to eliminate bad speculations



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Optimized Kernel Shows Improved Performance on KNL node vs. BDW

- OpenMP and MPI scaling both nearly perfect up to 1 thread/core
- No speedup from multiple OMP thread/core
 - Threads use full L2 cache
- BDW is 15% faster per core, but KNL is 40% faster per node



Conclusions from KNL Optimization Exercise

• Don't try to outsmart compiler

- Manually changing loop order, data alignment, etc. never improved things
- Architecture-specific optimizations will make code messy and won't be portable

• Inlining helps compiler optimize loops

– Enable IPO when functions are in separate Fortran source file

• Use Intel MKL BLAS as much as possible

- These are very well optimized for KNL
- BLAS calls will be portable to other architectures

• Optimizing full code will require optimized sparse solvers

Upcoming Opportunities Will Require More Than Code Optimization

- Upcoming SciDAC calls will have increased emphasis on HPC
- How can we take advantage of future HPC systems?
 - PDE solves won't scale well
 - Ensemble runs (parameters scans, UQ) will be useful, but probably discouraged
- "Multiphysics" is probably the answer
 - Calculations of kinetic closures
 - Detailed local physics (e.g. atomic physics)
 - "Whole-device" modeling
- Challenge: WDM only makes sense when components are coupled; yet coupling makes scaling difficult

M3D-C1 at APS

• ELM Pellet pacing

- Pellet ablation models and nonlinear evolution of kinetic profiles (Fil PP10.64)
- Linear ELM stability in presence of density perturbations (Diem PP10.65)

• Perturbed equilibrium calculations

- Toroidally localized turbulence from perturbed pressure profiles (Wilcox CO4.13)
- Perturbed equilibria in RMP ELM-mitigated discharges (Lyons GP10.85; Park JO9.7)
- Transport in RMP ELM-mitigated discharges (Callen PP10.70; Hager PP10.61)
- Plasma response in snowflake geometry (Canal NP10.30)
- Error field correction (Myers GO6.2) and penetration (Beidler GP10.76)
- Effect of RMPs on divertor geometry (Shafer PP10.62)
- Nonlinear evolution
 - Sawtoothing / Hybrid-like plasmas (Krebs GP10.87)
 - Tearing modes (Teng GP10.79)