## **Multiscale Modeling**

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## Outline

- 1. Challenges for multiscale computation and coupling of models
- 2. The heterogeneous multiscale method (HMM) framework
- 3. The issue of scale separation
- 4. Remarks on imaging and visualization

"Coupling numerical methods on different scales"

## 1. Challenges for multiscale computation and coupling of models

- A major e-science challenge: large amount of data for simulations large number of unknowns and flops
- Common reason for this: multiscale phenomena
- With the size of the computational domain = 1 in each dimension, the smallest wavelength = ε and d dimensions, the number unknowns needed to describe a band limited function is

#  $unknowns \ge O(\varepsilon^{-d})$  [Shannon, 48]

### Multiscale modeling



## Multiscale modeling: analytic and/or computaional

• If processes on different scales are important and

#  $unknowns \ge O(\varepsilon^{-d})$ 

- *ε* << 1 → derive effective, equations
   (model reduction, homogenization theory,
   upscaling, averaging, boundary layer theory,)</li>
  - → use the micro model in small domains and couple different models in the same simulation

## Coupling of different models (high fidelity model on small subsets)

• The goal is improved computational efficiency from only simulating the smallest scales on sub domains.

Type A: Microscale model only in sub domain  $\Omega_2$ Type B: Microscale input needed throughout computational domain from sampled sub domains





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General frameworks

- Generalized multigrid, [Brandt]
- Equation-free computation, [Kevrekides]
- Heterogeneous multiscale method (HMM) (

# 2. The heterogeneous multiscale method (HMM) framework

- 1. Design macro-scale scheme for the desired variables. The scheme may not be valid in all of the computational domain or components of the scheme may not be known in full domain.
- 2. Use micro-scale numerical simulations locally in time or space to supply missing data in macro-scale model

 $\begin{aligned} Macro: \quad F_H(U_H, D(u_h)) &= 0\\ Micro: \quad f_h(u_h, d(U_H)) &= 0\\ & \rightarrow \quad F_H(U_{HMM}, D_{HMM}(U_{HMM})) &= 0 \end{aligned}$ 

#### HMM: nonlinear conservation law example

• nonlinear conservation law based on an empirical equation of state,  $\rho_t + \nabla \cdot (v\rho) = 0$   $(\rho v)_t + \nabla \cdot (v\rho v + p) = 0$ 

$$e_t + \nabla \cdot (ve + vp) = 0$$
$$p \approx (\gamma - 1)(e - \rho v^2/2)$$

• The macro-scale fluxes could, for example, be computed on the fly by microscale molecular dynamics simulations,

$$m_j \frac{d^2 x_j(t)}{dt^2} = -\frac{\partial V_j(x)}{\partial x_j}, \quad j = 1, \dots J$$

Set up approximation by a shock capturing finite volume method (FVM) for the effective nonlinear conservation law,



Traditional numerical algorithm, for example, the Godunov scheme





Estimate the flux by replacing the numerical flux in the FVM by a microscale simulation, with appropriate initial and boundary conditions.

$$\overline{u}_{j}^{n+1} = \overline{u}_{j}^{n} - \Delta t^{-1} \int_{t_{n}}^{t_{n+1}} (f(u(x_{j+1/2},\tau)) - f(u(x_{j-1/2},\tau))) d\tau$$
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Compare homogenization

Computational complexity gain from MD in local domains

## **Computational issues**

- New techniques
  - Data estimation (from micro data to macro model)
  - Reconstruction techniques (from macro states to micro data)
  - Boundary conditions for local micro-scale simulations
- Concurrent or sequential
- Choice of macro-scale variables
- Size of micro domain?
- Need for scale separation (✓)



[Ariel, E, Eqt, Holst, Li, Ren, Runborg, Sharp, Sun, Tsai].

#### Example, shocks in solids



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#### Slip line example

- Coupling: fluid and line velocity and shear stress
- Heat bath for MD



## Analysis of convergence: heat equation in composite material

- The relation between molecular dynamics and nonlinear conservation laws is not mathematically well established
- A related diffusion problem for composite media with homogenization based analysis is possible

$$f(u) \rightarrow a(x/\varepsilon)\nabla u$$
$$\frac{\partial u^{\varepsilon}}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (a(x/\varepsilon)\nabla u^{\varepsilon})$$
$$a(y) \ periodic$$

## Steps in HMM convergence proof

- Stability and consistency of microscale problem  $(u_h \rightarrow u^{\varepsilon}, h \rightarrow 0)$
- Convergence of computed microscale flux to homogenized flux within numerical micro domain
  - Homogenization theory
  - Eigenvalue estimates for transient

$$(-\nabla \cdot (a(x/\varepsilon)\nabla u^{\varepsilon} \to -\nabla \cdot A\nabla U, \ \varepsilon \to 0)$$

• Stability and consistency of macroscale algorithm  $(U_H \rightarrow U, H \rightarrow 0)$ 

$$(U_{\scriptscriptstyle H} \mathop{\rightarrow} \overline{U}, \ h/\varepsilon \mathop{\rightarrow} 0, \ \varepsilon \mathop{\rightarrow} 0, \ H \mathop{\rightarrow} 0)$$

#### 3. The issue of scale separation

• HMM as described above require substantial scale separation



#### **ODEs with oscillatory solutions**

- Applications: dynamical systems, astrophysics,..
- Separation of fast and slow modes

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f_{\varepsilon}(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \frac{du}{dt} = f(u,v) \\ \frac{dv}{dt} = \varepsilon^{-1}g(u,v) \end{cases}$$

Effective equation of ODE or SDE

$$\varepsilon \to 0 \Rightarrow u \to \overline{u}: \quad \frac{d\overline{u}}{dt} = \int f(\overline{u}, v) d\mu_{\overline{u}}(v)$$

• Invariant measure  $\mu$  independent of v(0)

#### HMM discretization

$$\dot{x}_{\varepsilon} = f_{\varepsilon}(x_{\varepsilon}, t)$$

$$H = \Delta t$$

$$x_{0} \bigvee \langle f(x_{0}) \rangle \qquad x_{1} \bigvee \langle f(x_{1}) \rangle$$

$$H = \delta t$$

$$t$$

• Effective  $\langle f \rangle$  value for standard macro-scale solver from average of standard micro-scale data over  $\delta$ -ntervals

$$\left(\frac{d\overline{u}}{dt} = \int f(\overline{u}, v) d\mu_{\overline{u}}(v)\right)$$

#### A more seamless technique

 FLow AVeraging integratORS (FLAVORS) [Tao, Owhadi, Marsden, 09], also [Vanden-Eijnden, 07], VSHMM [E., Lee, 13]

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f_{\varepsilon}(x) = f(x) + \varepsilon^{-1}g(x)$$

• Staggered or fractional step evolution

$$F = f \qquad F = f \qquad F = f \qquad \cdots \qquad F = f + \varepsilon^{-1}g$$

#### **Convergence FLAVORS**

- Convergence proof based on transformation to action angle formulation with ergodic fast mode
- Convergence slower than for HMM
- Compare Monte Carlo

$$\frac{d\overline{u}}{dt} = \int f(\overline{u}, v) d\mu_{\overline{u}}(v)$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du}{dt} = f(u,v) \\ \frac{dv}{dt} = \varepsilon^{-1}g(u,v) \end{cases}$$



## Remarks

- The Fermi-Pasta-Ulam problem is also appropriate for this technique
- Natural choice of ergodic, fast sub-system: fast linear springs (harmonic oscillators)

 $\dot{x} = f(x) + \varepsilon^{-1}g(x)$  (full system)  $\dot{y} = \varepsilon^{-1}g(y)$  (fast linear springs)



#### Fermi-Pasta-Ulam



BF HMM Verlet-ODE45 to T =  $7\epsilon$ -1

#### PDE example

- Advection enhanced diffusion in incompressible turbulent velocity field
- There exists solid convergence theory for special velocity fields

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} + v_{\varepsilon}(x) \cdot \nabla u(x,t) = \mu \Delta u(x,t)$$
$$\nabla \cdot v_{\varepsilon}(x) = 0$$
$$u(x,0) = u_0(x)$$

# Decomposition of velocity field and solution into frequency bands

- Many locally refined grids matching the different frequency bands bands – compare multigrid
- Decomposition into frequency bands – compare LES
- Does not describe interaction between high frequency bands



#### In frequency space

- Each diagonal box has its own grid
- Sheer flow via analytical formula



## Example: passive advection (turbulent velocity field)



(a) Fourier spectrum of the Stream Function

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## 4. Remarks on imaging and visualization



## Examples of Multiscale processes in imaging pipeline

- Basic image construction (✔)
  - Build image from measured data, direct or inverse problem
- Denoising
  - Eliminate unwanted small scales
- Deblurring
  - Image correction enhancing small scales
- Inpainting
  - Correct small scale distorsions
- Image compression
  - Approximations keeping small scale features, JPEG, etc.

## Examples of Multiscale processes in imaging pipeline

- Segmentation
  - Small scale features (curves, texture) from coarser scales
- Rendering
  - Ray equations, microscale textures
- Level of detail in visualization
  - Data structures, compression and approximation of smaller scales
- Scale-space theory in computer vision [Tony Lindeberg, 94]
  - Today linked to feature extraction and machine learning

## **Example: seismic Imaging**





### Compare tomography



## Tomography – Radon transform

- The Radon transform  $(f_R)$  Inversion: measure  $f_R$  find f
- Computer assisted tomography: Allan M. Cormack, Godfrey N. Hounsfield Nobel prize 1979

$$\begin{split} f_{R}(\alpha, \omega) &= \int_{L(\alpha, \omega)} f(x(s), y(s)) ds \\ f(x, y) &= \int T(\alpha, s) d\alpha d\omega \\ T &= \hat{f}_{R}(\alpha, \omega) |\omega| e^{i 2\pi \omega (x \cos \alpha + y\alpha)} \\ \hat{f}_{R}: \quad Fourier \ transform \end{split}$$



## Seismic imaging

- Find velocity and reflectivity (or low and high frequency part of velocity field) separately
  - First velocity estimation: similar to tomography but harder: bending "rays", wave action
  - Then reflectivity: details too small for velocity estimation, compare ultrasound imaging
- Full waveform inversion in frequency domain (Helmholtz)



#### Multiscale aspects

- Fast Helmholtz solver: preconditioning based on compression rather than multigrid
- HMM style representation of microscale features layers etc. for effective equation







#### Multiscale aspects

- HMM style techniques can be used in the inverse process
- Parameterization of local properties



## Conclusions

- There are frameworks guiding simulations coupling models of different scales
- Realistic applications emerging
- Convergence theory possible in some cases
- Recent development to reduce need for scale separation