"Improved Equation-Free Method that Maximizes the Preservation of Microscale Properties" – C.S. Chang, SciDAC Fusion HBPS

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Objectives

- Improve Equation-Free method to address its weakness: arbitrariness in the lifting operation
- Develop a new lifting algorithm that maximizes preservation of microscale properties

(In collaboration with ECP-WDMApp)

Impact

- Provide multiscale research community with a more reliable Equation-Free method
- Highly scalable and simple algorithm
- Enable application of the equation-free method to first-principles-based, extremescale magnetic-fusion simulation

Deployment of the new method to the gyrokinetic code XGCa





Accomplishments

- Established that a polynomial transformation scheme combined with PDF from previous microscale simulation improves accuracy of the Equation-Free method dramatically.
- Left figure shows the new method (red) compared with previous best method (blue).
- Results in > 4X acceleration of the XGCa gyrokinetic simulation of tokamak plasma.
- Published by Benjamin Sturdevant (PPPL), Scott Parker, C.S. Chang and Robert Hager in Physics of Plasmas, 27, 032505 (2020).



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