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ABSTRACT

In this project, we have accomplished in development of algorithms to model transport and eletromagnetic processes in mesoscopic systems such as nano-electronics and biological membrane, and layered inhomogeneous media.

Specifically, the following results have been obtained resulting in the publication of 6 peer-referred journal papers and a third part of a Cambridge University Press book.

(1) fast integral solver for quantum dots in 3-D layered media. The fast solver is based on a window accelerated method for computing the layered Green's function and wide band Fast multipole methods for Hankel waves.

(2) a new linear scaling discontinuous Galerkin density functional theory, which provide a brand new approach in combining physics-based orbitals

and piece-wise polynomial finite element basis in finding the ground state energy of the DFT for quantum systems.

(3) numerical methods for computation of electrostatics in ion-channel transport,

(4) a new parallel solver for elliptic PDEs by combining random walk Feynmann-Kac formula and local boundary integral equations for extreme computing,

(5) an improved device adaptive inflow boundary condition for Wigner quantum transport equations.

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[1] On fast integral solver for quantum dots, we have developed a parallel fast algorithm for computing the product of the discretized Helmholtz integral operator in layered media and a vector in O(NqNz^2 Nx Ny logNx Ny) operations. Here Nx Ny Nz is the number of sources and Nq is the number of quadrature points used in the evaluation of the Sommerfeld integral in the definition of layered Green's function. The fast solver is based on two important

techniques which reduce the cost of quadrature summations in the Sommerfeld contour integral for Green's functions in 3-D layered media.

The first technique is the removal of surface pole effects along the real axis integration contour by identifying the pole locations with a Discrete Wavelet Transform; In the second technique, we apply a window-based high frequency filter to shorten the contour length. As a result, the integral operator for the 3-D layered media can be efficiently written as a sum of 2-D Hankel cylindrical integral operators, and the latter can be calculated by either a tree-code or a 2-D wideband FMM in a fast manner.

[2] On the linear scaling quantum DFT algorithm, we have proposed a new framework using discontinuous Gakerlin method for linear scaling methods for density functional theory, which forms the fundamental approach for studying quantum system ground state energy. The salient feature of this framework is the flexibility of using hybrid physics-based local orbitals and accuracy-guaranteed piecewise polynomial basis in representing the Hamiltonian of the many body system. Such a flexibility is made possible by using the discontinuous Galerkin method to approximate the Hamiltonian matrix elements with proper constructions of numerical DG fluxes at the finite element interfaces.

[3] Computation of electrostatics in ion-channel transport.

Here we investigate the numerical accuracy and efficiency in computing the

electrostatic potential for an ion channel model made of finite-height cylinder

embedded in a layered dielectric/electrolyte medium representing a biological membrane and ionic solvents. Two numerical techniques, a specially designed boundary integral equation method and an image charge method, have been investigated and compared in terms of accuracy and efficiency for computing the electrostatic potential.

[4] A new parallel solver for elliptic PDEs for extreme computing.

In this result, a hybrid approach for solving the Laplace equation in general 3-D domains is proposed. The approach is based on a local method for the Dirichletto-Neumann (DtN) mapping of a Laplace equation by combining a deterministic (local) boundary integral equation (BIE) method and the probabilistic Feynman–Kac formula for solutions of elliptic partial differential equations. This hybridization produces a parallel algorithm where the bulk of the computation has no need for data communication between processors, therefore it has great potential for highly scalable solver for elliptic PDEs for extreme scale computing.

[5] An improved device adaptive inflow boundary condition for Wigner quantum transport equations.

An improved inflow boundary condition is proposed for Wigner equations

in simulating a resonant tunneling diode (RTD), which takes into consideration

the band structure of the device and the effect of the quantum interaction inside the quantum device. Numerical results on computing the electron density inside the RTD under various incident waves and non-zero bias conditions show much improvement by the new boundary condition over the traditional Frensley inflow boundary condition.

Technology Transfer