



Multiphysics Coupling via LIME:

Lightweight Integrating Multiphysics Environment

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CASL: The Consortium for Advanced Simulation of Light Water Reactors

A DOE Energy Innovation Hub for Modeling and Simulation of Nuclear Reactors

Leverage

- Current state-of-the-art neutronics, thermal-fluid, structural, and fuel performance applications
- Existing systems and safety analysis simulation tools

Develop

- New requirements-driven physical models
- Efficient, tightly-coupled multi-scale/multi-physics algorithms and software with quantifiable accuracy
- Improved systems and safety analysis tools
- UQ framework

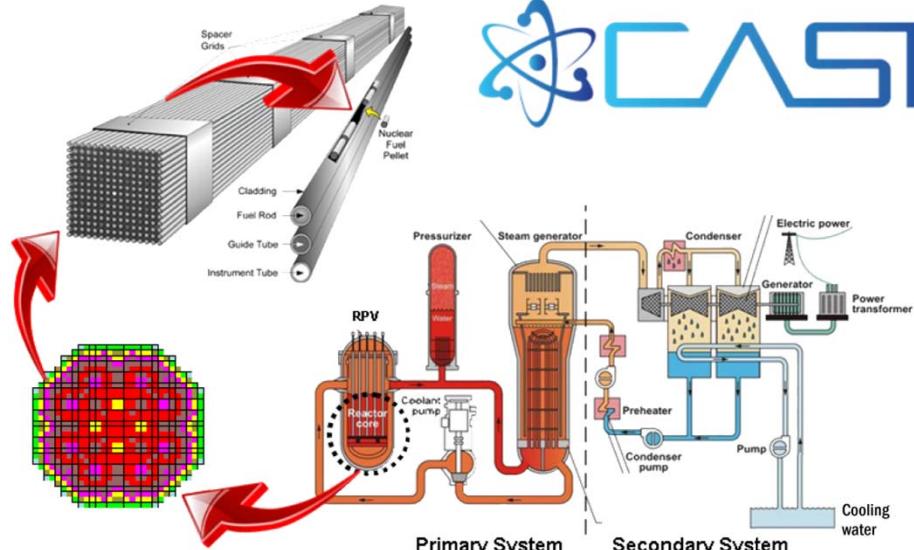
Deliver

- An unprecedented predictive simulation tool for simulation of physical reactors
- Architected for platform portability ranging from desktops to DOE's leadership-class and advanced architecture systems (large user base)
- Rigorous Verification & Validation against existing reactors and data



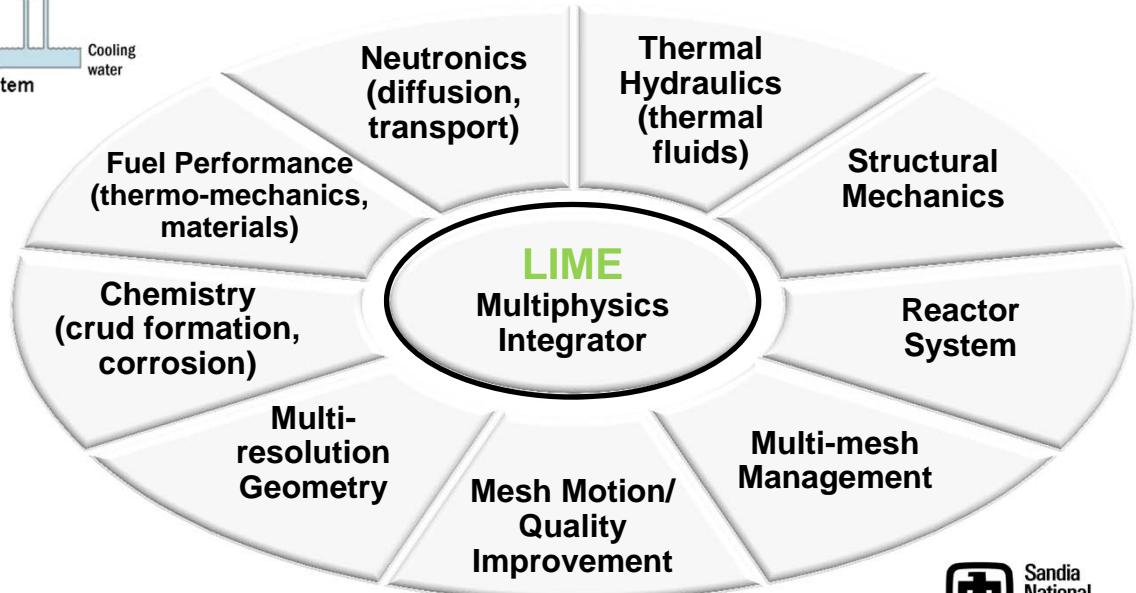


CASL vision: Create a virtual reactor (VR) for predictive simulation of LWRs



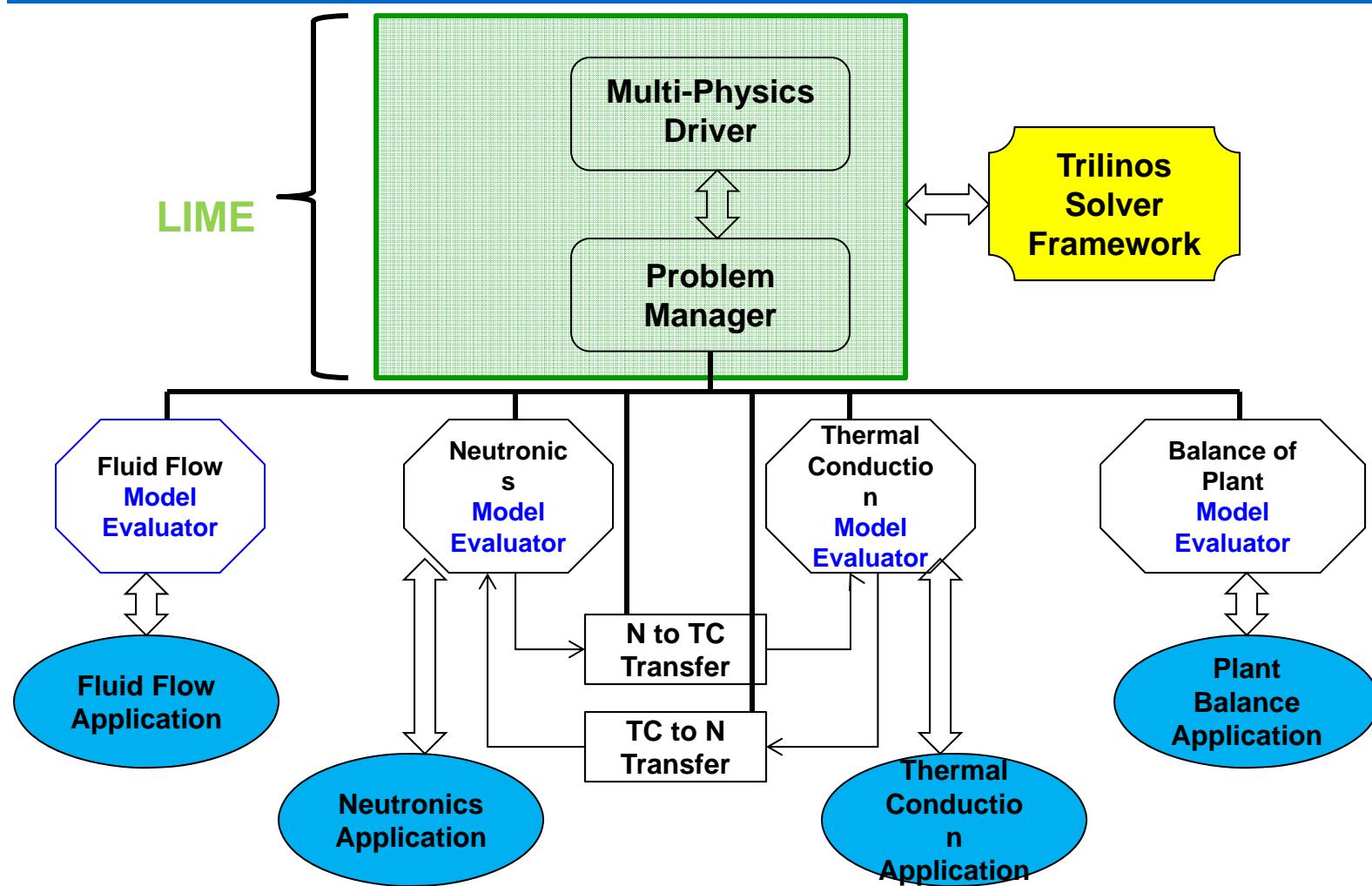
- Efficient, tightly-coupled multi-scale/multi-physics algorithms and software with quantifiable accuracy
- Portability ranging from desktops to DOE's leadership-class and advanced architecture systems
- Works within UQ (Uncertainty Quantification) framework

- Multi-scale: temporal and spatial
- Dynamic components: plug-and-play models and codes
- Tractable pre- & post-simulation complexity via friendly user-interface





LIME Multi-Physics





Model Evaluator: Interface to Application Codes

- Each code is wrapped so the Problem Manager can link to it (i.e. like a library).

Model Evaluator interface allows an application
to be treated as a flexible subroutine

InArgs
x
\dot{x}
p
OutArgs
$R(\dot{x}, x, p)$
$\frac{\partial R}{\partial \dot{x}}$
$\frac{\partial R}{\partial x}$
$\frac{\partial R}{\partial p}$
$R(\dot{x}, x, p) = 0$



Very Simple Example

$$r_1(x_1, x_2) = 2x_1 - x_2 + k - 7 = 0$$

$$r_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1 + 2x_2 - 2k + 9 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}(k) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}(k)$$

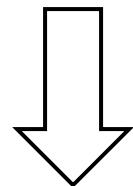
$$k = 3, \quad \mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2) = (1, -2)$$



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Replace constant with
value from another model

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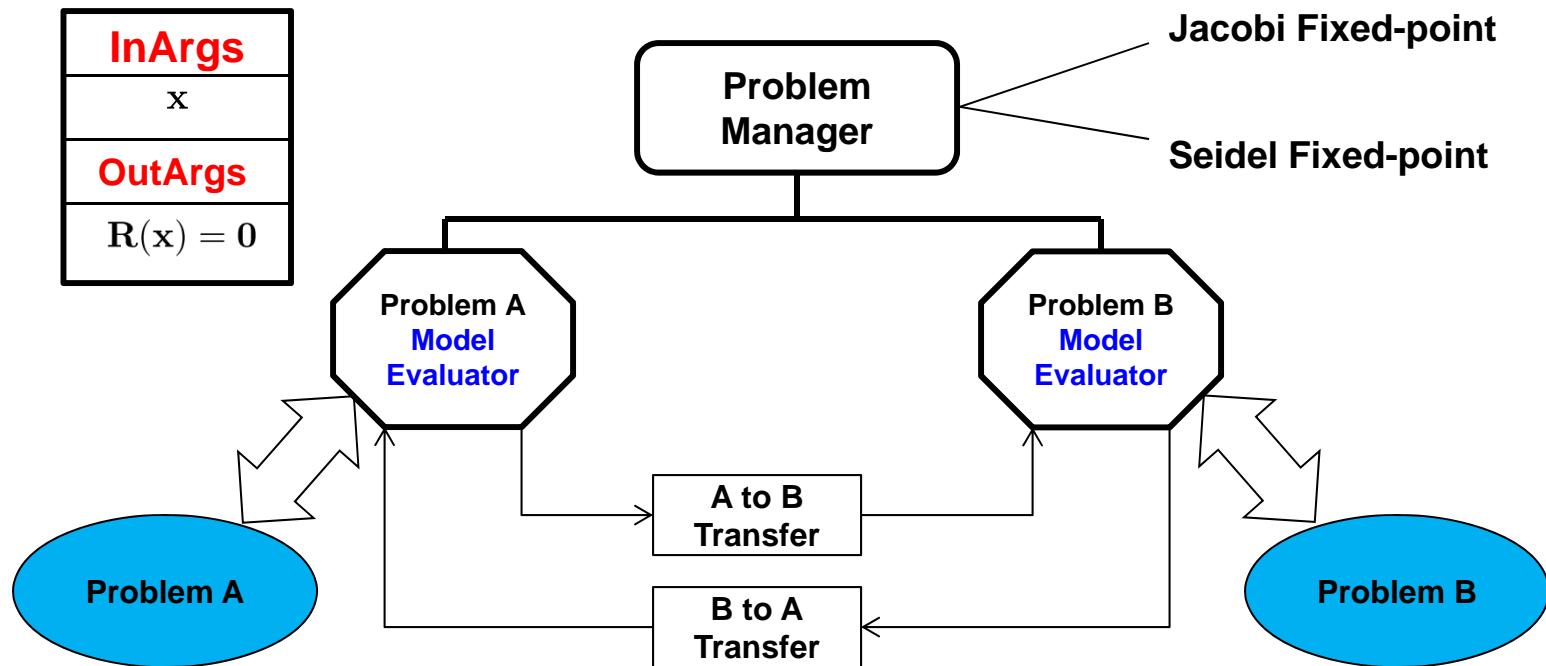
$$r_3(\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, x_3) = (\tilde{x}_1)^2 + \tilde{x}_2 + 2x_3 - 5 = 0$$



Very Simple Example

$$\mathbf{R}_A(\mathbf{x}_A, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_B) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_A - \mathbf{b}_A(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_B) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_B(\mathbf{x}_B, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_A) = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}_B - \mathbf{b}_B(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_A) = \mathbf{0}$$

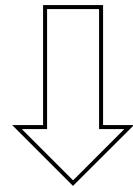




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Fixed-Point does not converge !



A Better Example

1D Conjugate Heat Transfer

Yeckel et al., IJNME, v 67, n 12, 2006.

$$x = 0 \quad \Omega_1 \quad x = 1 \quad \Omega_2 \quad x = 2$$
$$T|_{x=0} = T_0 \quad \frac{d^2T}{dx^2} - c \frac{dT}{dx} = 0 \quad \kappa \frac{d^2T}{dx^2} = 0 \quad T|_{x=2} = T_2$$

$$q|_{x=1^-} = - \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=1^-}$$

$$q|_{x=1^+} = -\kappa \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=1^+} + \underline{R} \left(T^4 \Big|_{x=1^+} - T_2^4 \right)$$

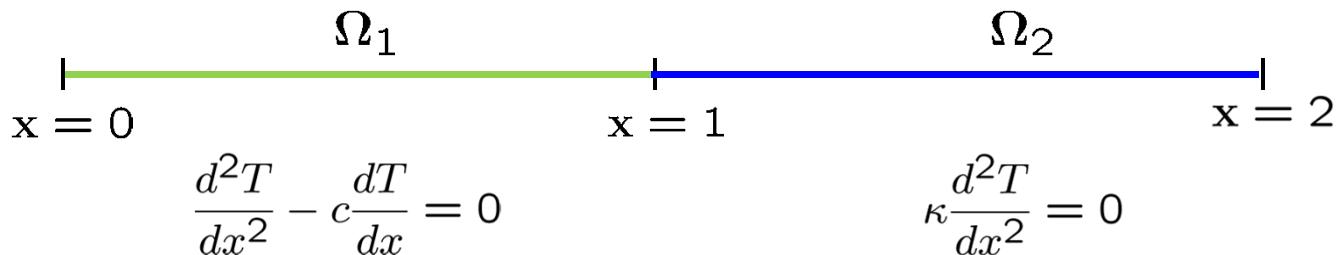
$$T|_{x=1^-} = T|_{x=1^+}$$



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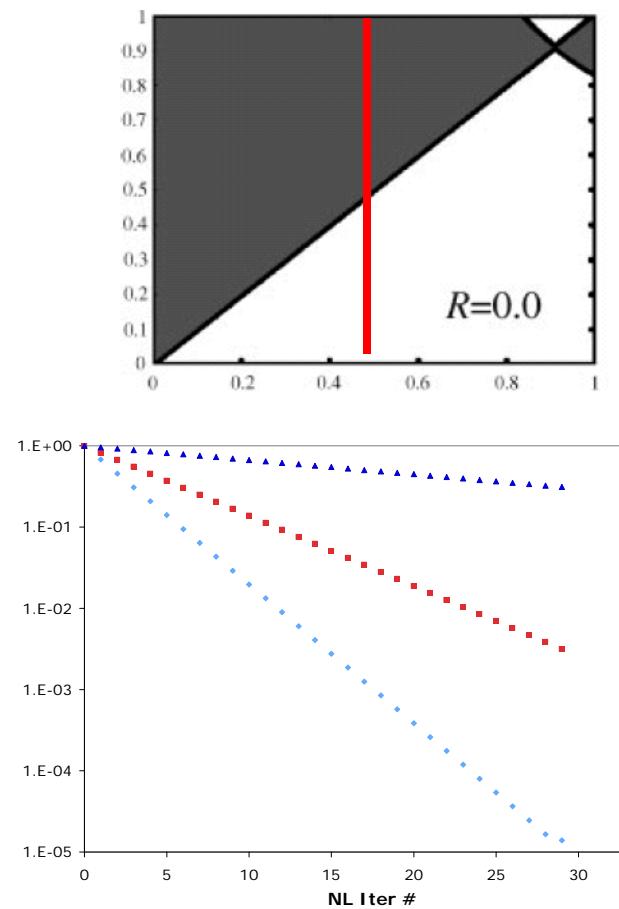
$$\underline{\beta} \llbracket q \rrbracket + (1 - \beta) \llbracket T \rrbracket = 0 \quad \text{at } x = 1^+$$



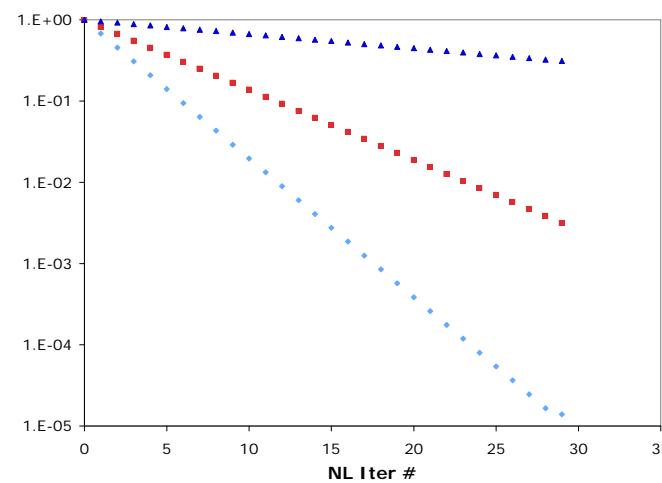
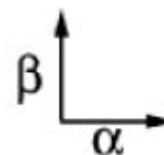
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1D Conjugate Heat Transfer

Convergence and convergence rate of loose-coupling can be strongly problem-dependent.



Shaded regions
indicate failure



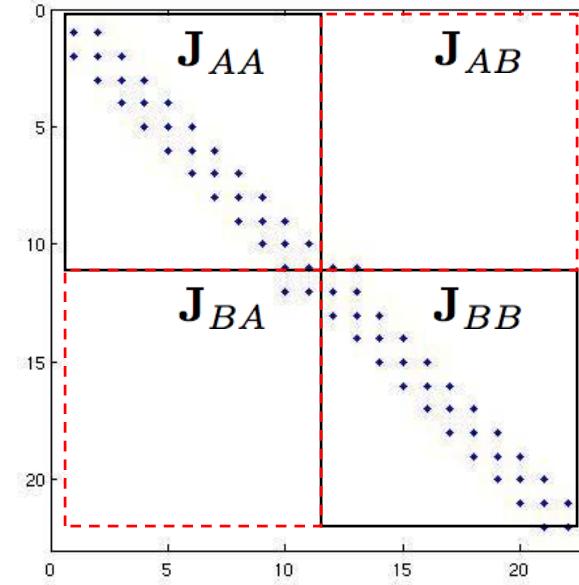
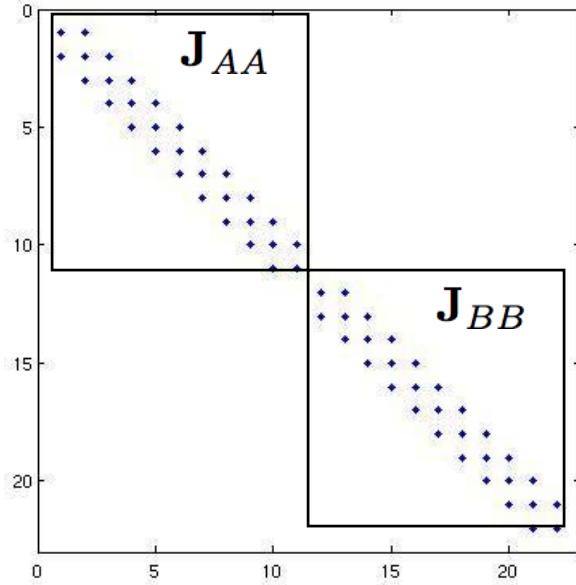
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0.50	0.40	33
0.50	0.45	60
0.50	0.49	253
0.50	0.60	N/A



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1D Conjugate Heat Transfer

So close, yet so far away



$$\tilde{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{x}^k) \Delta \mathbf{x}^{k+1} = -\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}^k)$$

$$0 = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}^k) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}^k) \mathbf{E}^k + O(|\mathbf{E}^k|^2)$$

$$\mathbf{E}^k \equiv \mathbf{x}^* - \mathbf{x}^k$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{x}^{k+1} = [\tilde{\mathbf{J}}^{-1} \mathbf{J}] \mathbf{E}^k + O(|\mathbf{E}^k|^2)$$

$$\mathbf{E}^{k+1} = [\mathbf{I} - \tilde{\mathbf{J}}^{-1} \mathbf{J}] \mathbf{E}^k + O(|\mathbf{E}^k|^2)$$

$$\mathbf{E}^{k+1} = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}^k) \mathbf{E}^k + O(|\mathbf{E}^k|^2)$$



Jacobian-Free Newton-Krylov

Matrix-Free Newton-Krylov :

$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{x}) + O(||\epsilon \mathbf{p}||^2)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_p \approx \frac{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{p}) - \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x})}{\epsilon}$$

Jacobian-Free Newton-Krylov with Preconditioning:

$$\mathbf{J}\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{p} \approx \frac{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p}) - \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x})}{\epsilon}$$

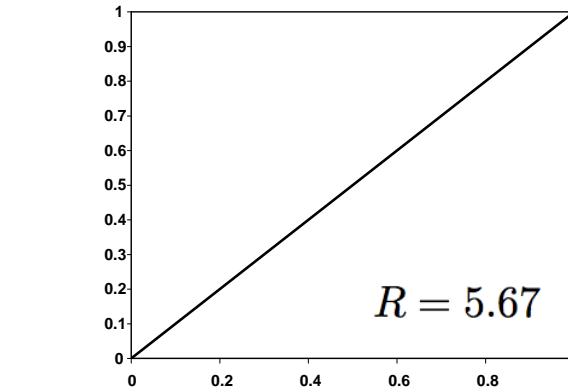
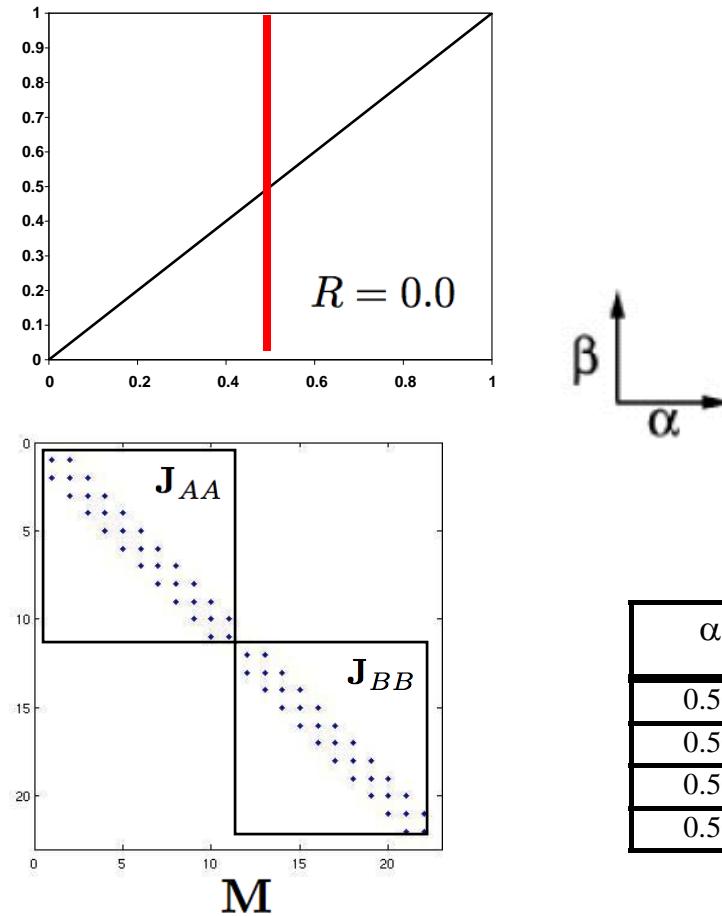
JFNK relaxes interface requirements to nearly that needed for fixed-point.



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Newton-Based (JFNK) coupling dramatically improves both.

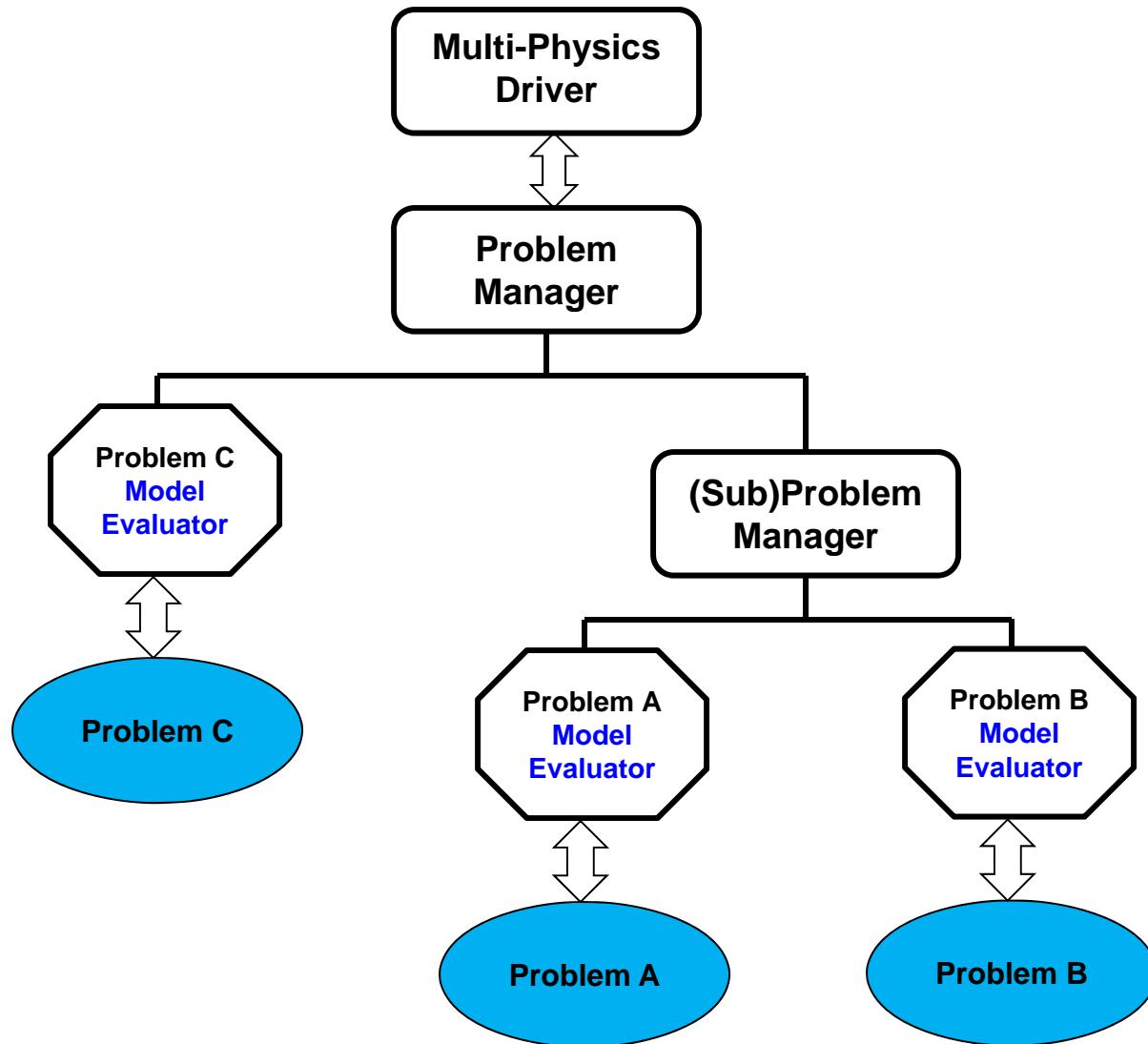


$$\mathbf{JM}^{-1}\mathbf{p} \approx \frac{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{p}) - \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x})}{\epsilon}$$

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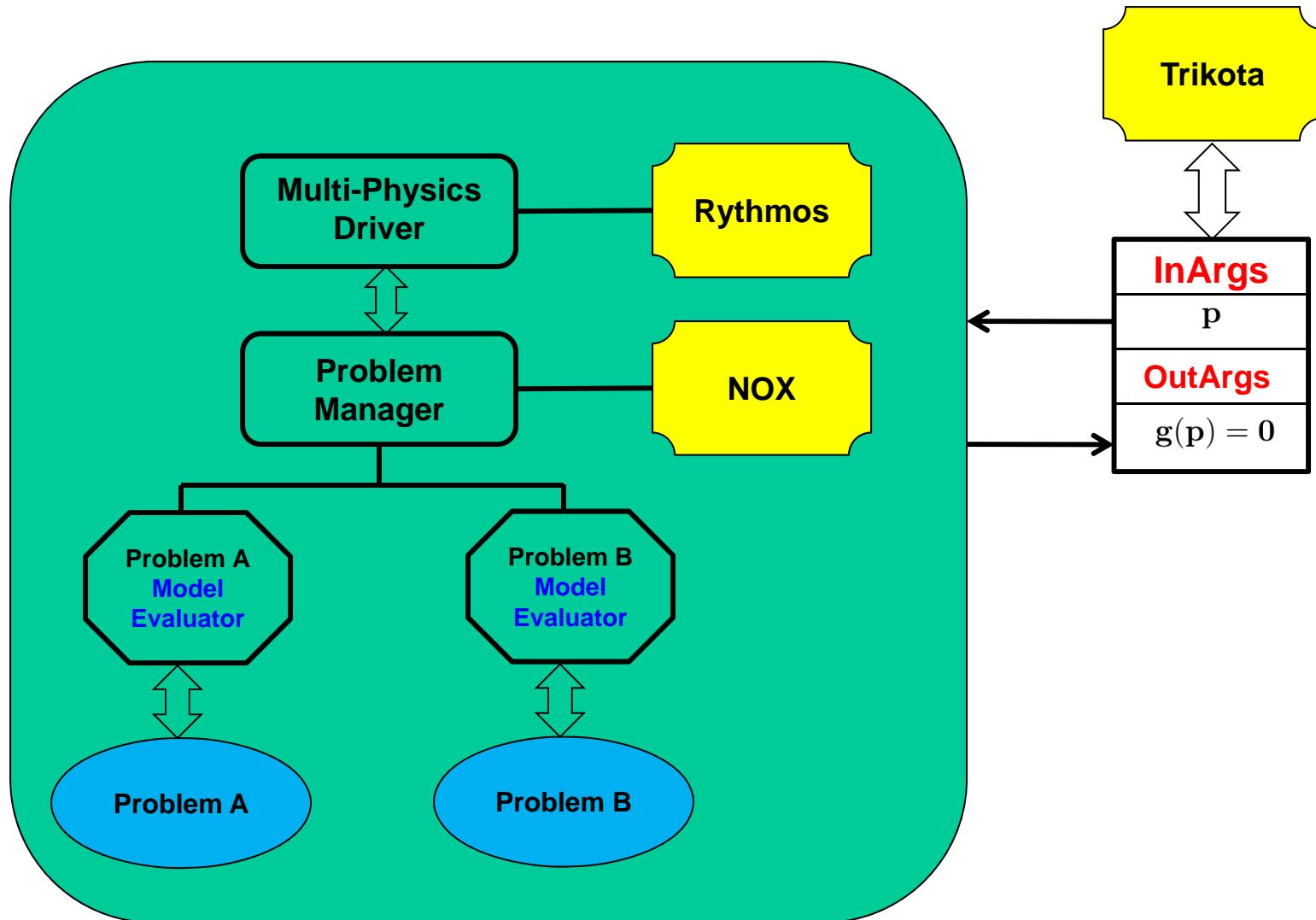


Hierarchical Support





Meta-Solver Support





“Brusselator” Problem

Transient Thermal Diffusion with Source:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = D_1 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \alpha - (1 + \beta)T + CT^2$$

Transient Species Diffusion with Source:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D_2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + \alpha + \beta T - CT^2$$

Adjustable Parameter

$D_1 = D_2 = 0.025, \alpha = 0.6, \beta = 2.0$

$$T_L = \alpha$$

$$C_L = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$T_R = \alpha$$

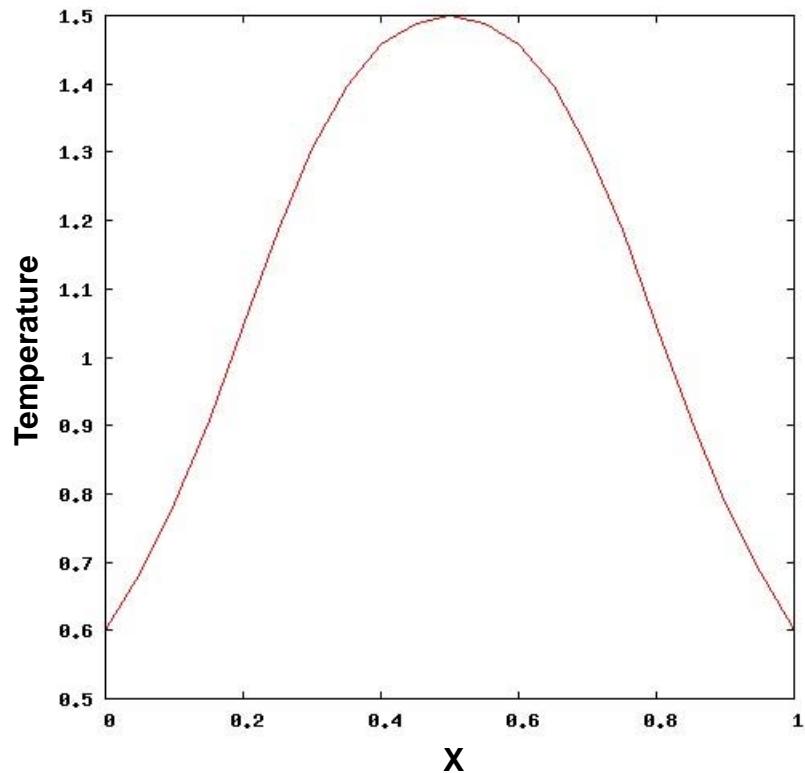
$$C_R = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$





Brusselator Problem

$$g(p) \equiv \min_p [1.5 - T_{max}(p)]^2$$



$$p_0 = D_1 = D_2 = 0.01$$

k	p_k	g_k
0	0.01	0.112
1	0.001984	2.01e-4
2	0.00196913	1.53e-7
3	0.00196912	4.50e-11



Conclusions

- LIME provides a very lightweight connection between physics applications and solver algorithms
- Increasing richness of algorithms can be enabled by exposing more application data/functionality through each Model Evaluator as needed or desired
- LIME is an independent project but integrates seamlessly into the Trilinos software environment
- LIME will eventually be publicly available
- Current and future energy needs of the USA may benefit greatly from multi-physics modeling/simulation enabled to large extent by LIME



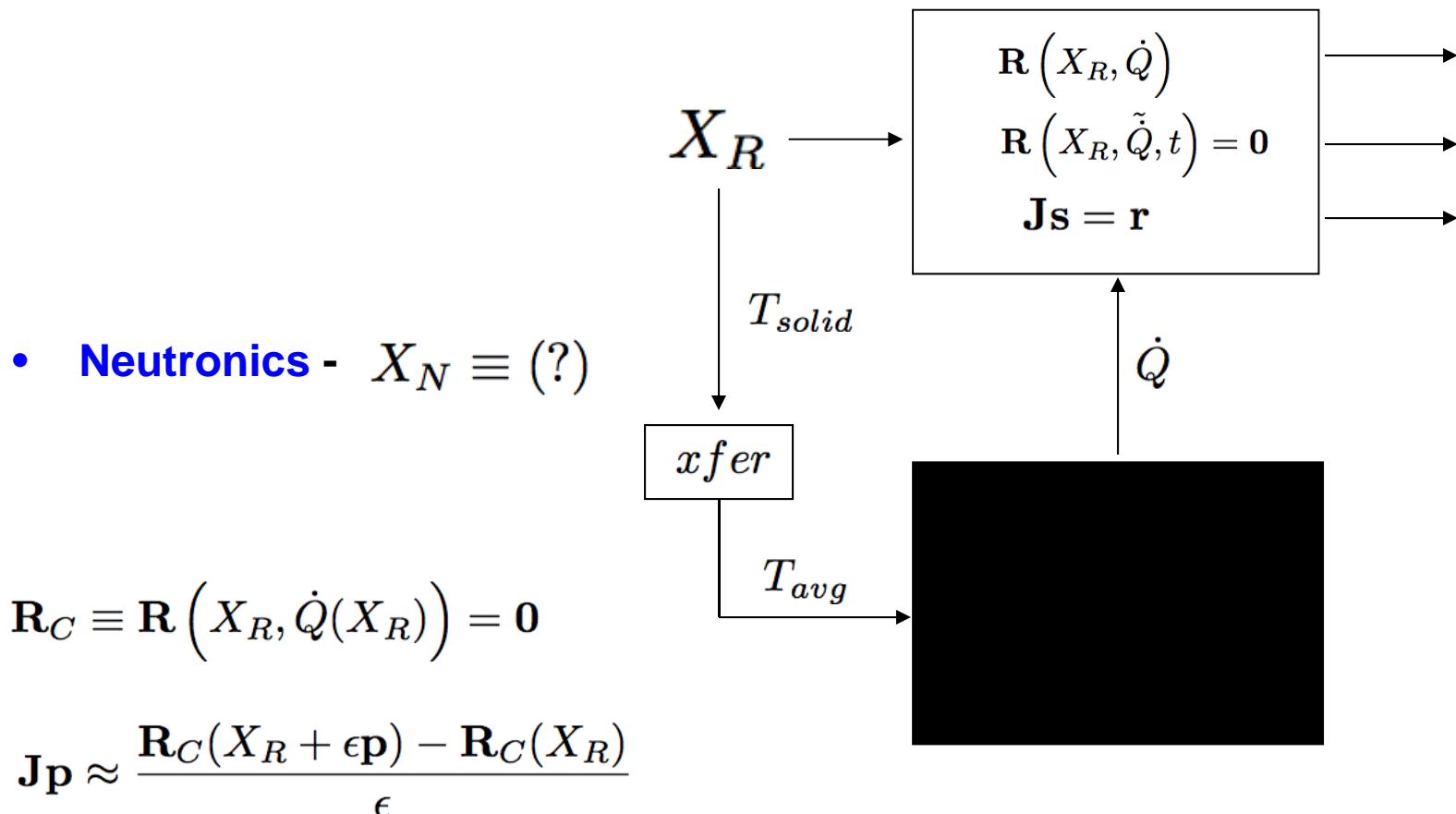
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Relaxing Requirements, Part 3

(Response Only Model Evaluator)

- **Fluid-Thermal Code** - $X_R \equiv (u, v, w, P, T_{fluid}, T_{solid})$





Typical Starting Point

```
call fillRHS ( xVec, RHSvec )
norm = TwoNorm( RHSvec )
while ( norm > tol )
    call fillJacobian ( xVec, Mat )
    call linSolver ( Mat, solnVec, RHSvec )
    call daxpy( xVec, 1.0, solnVec, 1.0 )
    call fillRHS ( xVec, RHSvec )
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end while
```

$$R(T) = 0$$

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subroutine linSolver ( Mat, solnVec, RHSvec )
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LIME Problem Manager

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Relaxing Requirements

(Avoiding Jacobian pain)

Finite Difference Approximation :

$$J_{ij} = \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} \approx \frac{F_i(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{e}_j) - F_i(\mathbf{x})}{\epsilon} \quad Cost \sim O(N^3)$$



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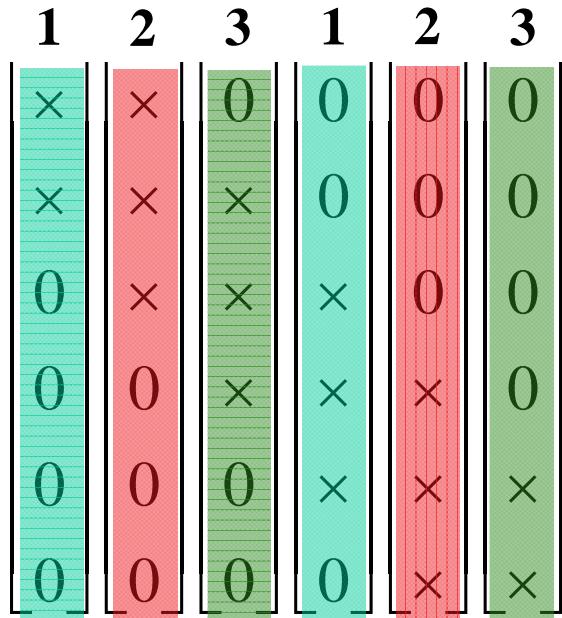
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Finite Differences with Coloring :

$$Cost \sim O(N^2)$$



$$C_1 = \{1, 4\},$$

$$C_2 = \{2, 5\},$$

$$C_3 = \{3, 6\}$$

$$\mathbf{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Graph partitioning from Isoroppia or EpetraExt in Trilinos.