

Large-scale optimization-based non-negative computational framework for diffusion equations: parallel implementation and performance studies

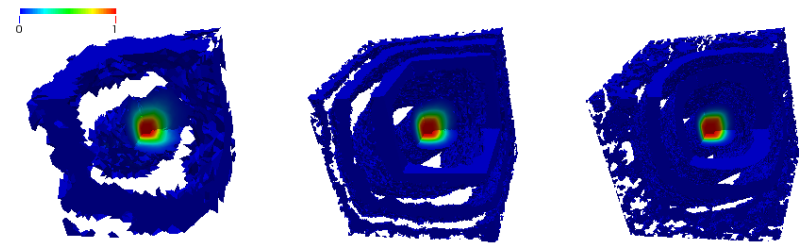
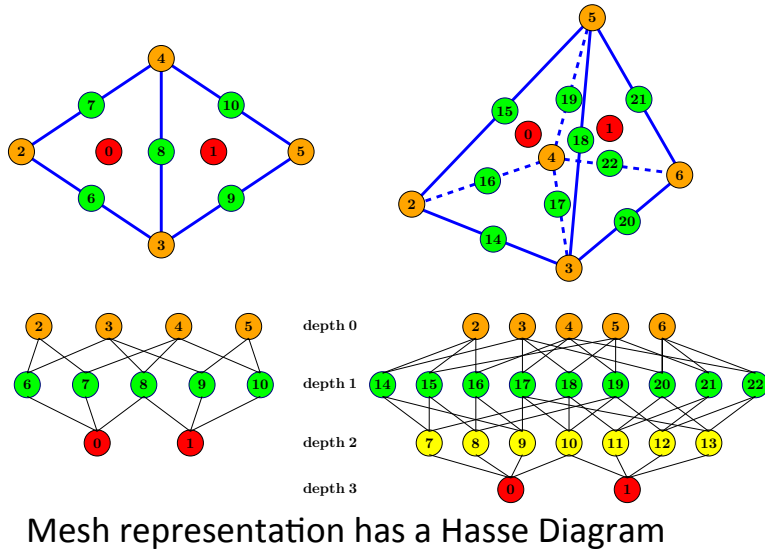
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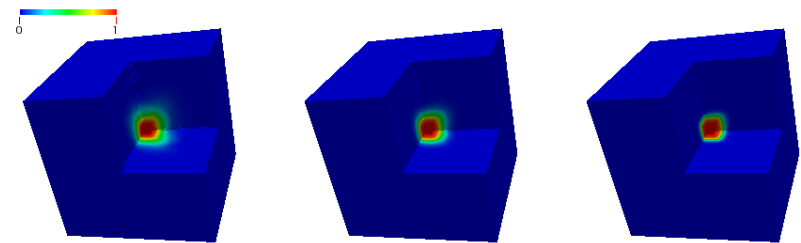


Introduction and Motivation

- The Galerkin Finite Element Method does not satisfy the discrete maximum principles for anisotropic diffusion
- Recent studies have proposed convex optimization techniques to overcome this setback
- So far these have only been tested on small and 2D academic problems



Galerkin solution (with negative concentrations)

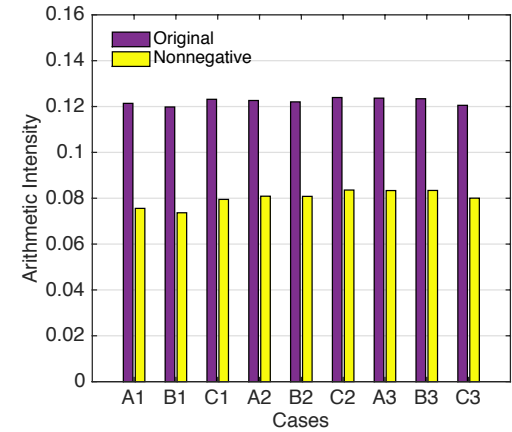
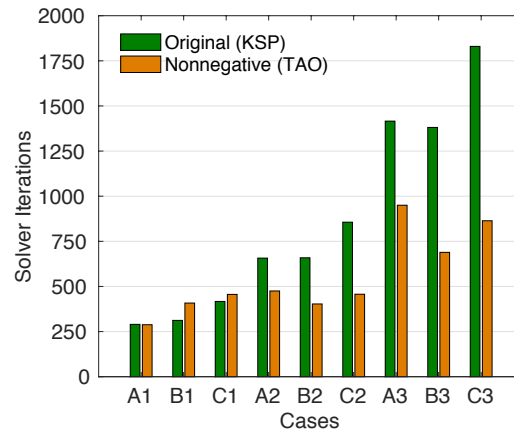
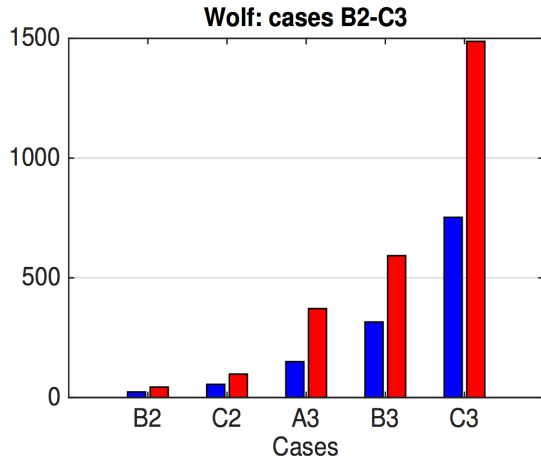


Non-negative methodology

Aim of this work:

1. Solve anisotropic diffusion leveraging PETSc's TAO and DMplex features
2. Ensures non-negative solutions for larger and more realistic problems
3. Document the performance metrics

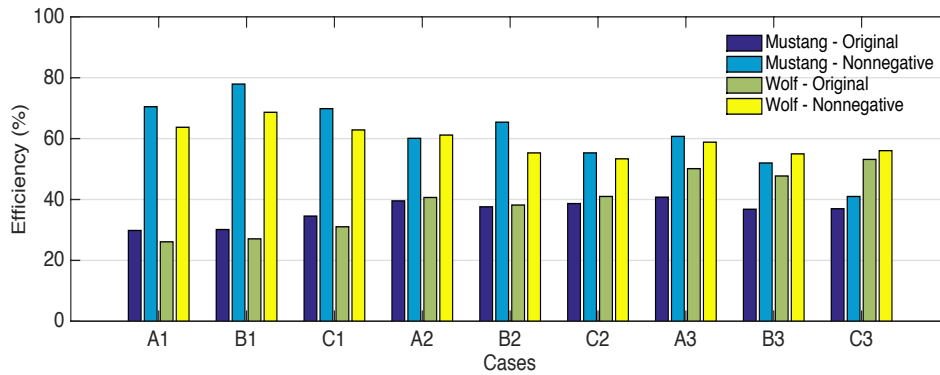
Performance studies



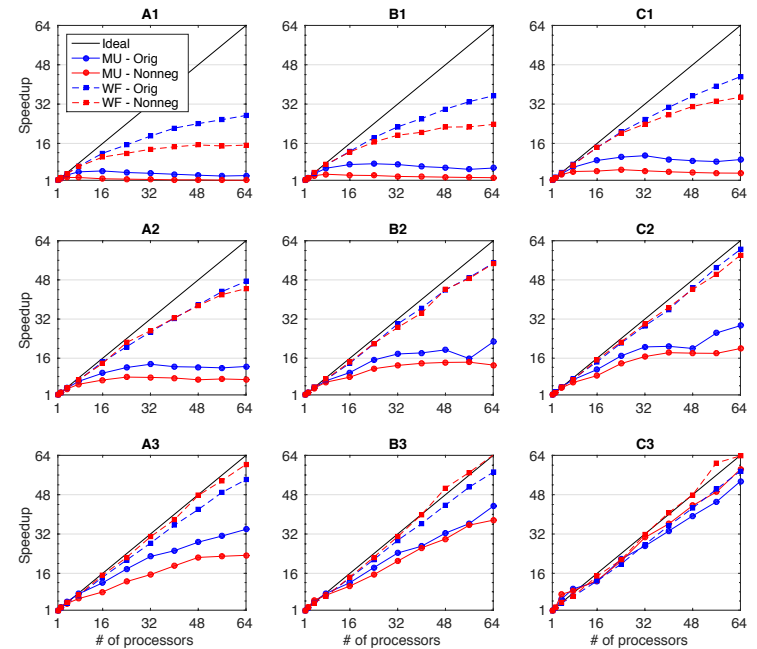
Wall-clock time (s)

Solver iterations

Arithmetic Intensity



Efficiency based on the Roofline model



Speedup

Chromium contamination

