

## TREAT Support: Improved Quasi-Static Method

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# IQS Traditional

## Factorization

$$\phi^g(\vec{r}, t) = p(t)\varphi^g(\vec{r}, t)$$

## Shape equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{v^g} \frac{\partial \varphi^g}{\partial t} = & \frac{\chi_p^g}{k_{eff}} \sum_{g'=1}^G (1 - \beta) \nu^{g'} \Sigma_f^{g'} \varphi^{g'} - \left( -\vec{\nabla} \cdot D^g \vec{\nabla} + \Sigma_r^g + \frac{1}{v^g} \frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dt} \right) \varphi^g \\ & + \sum_{g' \neq g}^G \Sigma_s^{g' \rightarrow g} \varphi^{g'} + \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^I \chi_{d,i}^g \lambda_i C_i, \quad 1 \leq g \leq G \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dC_i}{dt} = p \sum_{g=1}^G \nu_{d,i} \Sigma_f^g \varphi^g - \lambda_i C_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq I$$

## PRKE

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \left[ \frac{\rho - \bar{\beta}}{\Lambda} \right] p + \sum_{i=1}^I \bar{\lambda}_i \xi_i$$

$$\frac{d\xi_i}{dt} = \frac{\bar{\beta}_i}{\Lambda} p - \bar{\lambda}_i \xi_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq I$$



# IQS Predictor-Corrector

## Predicted Flux → Corrected Flux

IQS P-C linearizes the system and avoids iterations on the **shape**:

- ① Evaluate multigroup diffusion equation to get predicted flux  $\phi_{n+1}^{g,pred}$
- ② Scale predicted flux to obtain **shape**:

$$\varphi_{n+1}^g = \phi_{n+1}^{g,pred} \frac{\sum_{g=1}^G (\phi^{*g}, \frac{1}{v^g} \phi_0^g)}{\sum_{g=1}^G (\phi^{*g}, \frac{1}{v^g} \phi_{n+1}^{g,pred})} = \phi_{n+1}^{g,pred} \frac{K_0}{K_{n+1}}$$

- ③ Compute PRKE parameters at  $t_{n+1}$
- ④ Evaluate PRKE along micro step using interpolated parameters to obtain  $p_{n+1}$
- ⑤ Scale  $\varphi_{n+1}^g$  to obtain corrected flux:

$$\phi_{n+1}^{g,corr} = p_{n+1} \times \varphi_{n+1}^g$$

# Solution Process

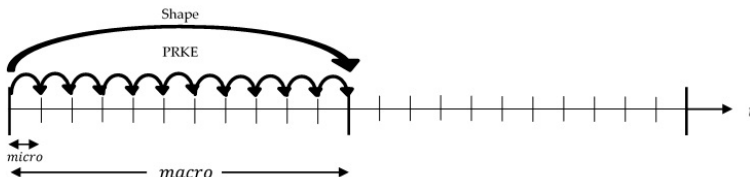
## Factorization leads to a nonlinear system

The **amplitude** and **shape** equations form a system of nonlinear coupled equations:

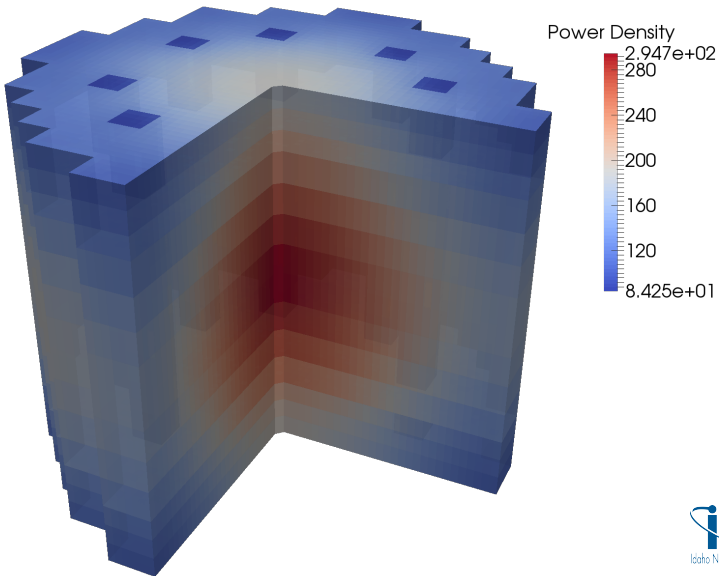
- ① the coefficients appearing in the **PRKE**'s depend upon the **shape** solution,
- ② the **shape** equation has a kernel dependent on **amplitude** and its derivative,

## Time scales and IQS method solution process

Because solving for the **shape** can be expensive, especially in two or three dimensions, it is attractive to make the assumption that the **shape** is weakly time-dependent so the **shape** can be computed after a multitude of **PRKE** calculations:



# TREAT: Transient-15



# Tran15 Results

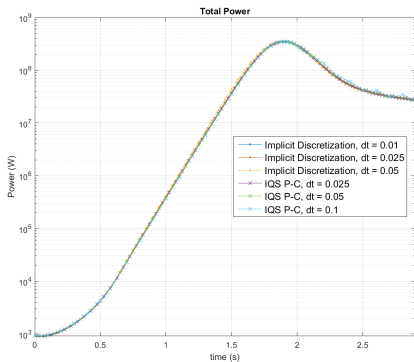


Figure: Tran15 Power Profile

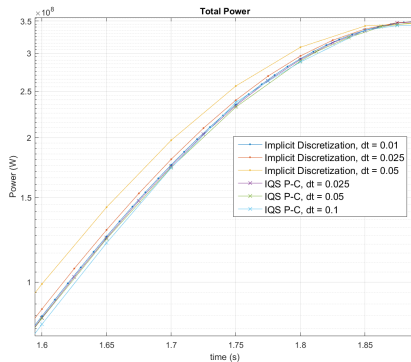


Figure: Tran15 Peak Power Profile

# TREAT: M8CAL

Figure: M8CAL Power Profile

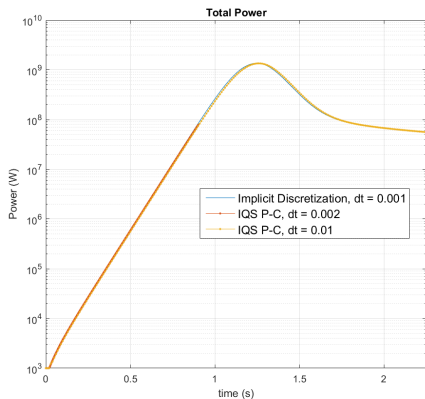
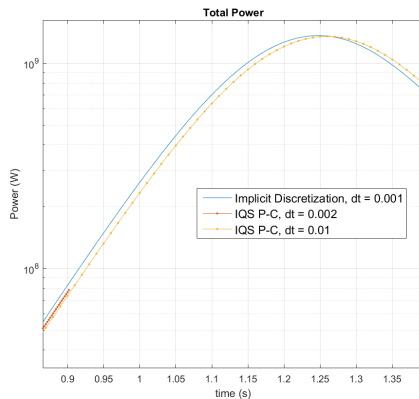


Figure: M8CAL Peak Power Profile



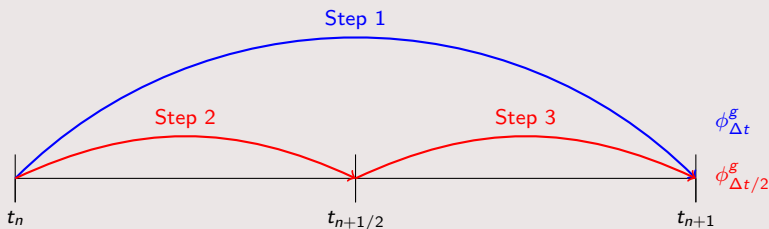


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# Step Doubling Solution Process

## Solution Process with IQS

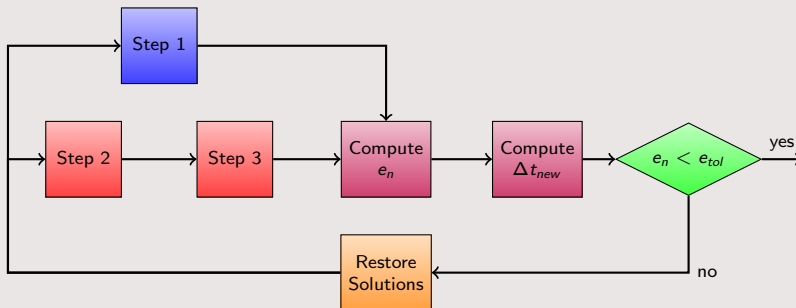


$$e_n = \frac{\left\| \sum_{g=1}^G \left( \phi_{\Delta t/2}^g - \phi_{\Delta t}^g \right) \right\|_{L^2}}{\max \left( \left\| \sum_{g=1}^G \phi_{\Delta t/2}^g \right\|_{L^2}, \left\| \sum_{g=1}^G \phi_{\Delta t}^g \right\|_{L^2} \right)}$$

$$\Delta t_{new} = S_f \Delta t \left[ \frac{e_{tol}}{e_n} \right]^{1/(p+1)}$$

# Step Doubling Solution Process

## Programming Visualization

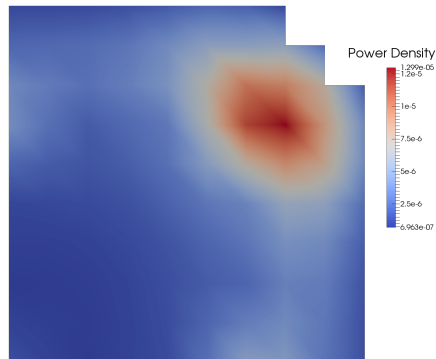
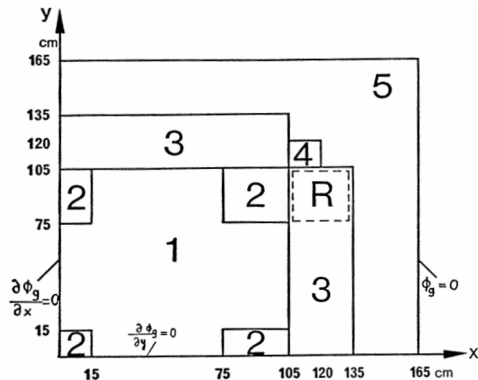


Each Step undergoes:

- Shape evaluation
- PRKE evaluations
- Multiphysics evaluations
- Iterations for convergence of amplitude, shape, and multiphysics



# LRA Benchmark



# LRA Results

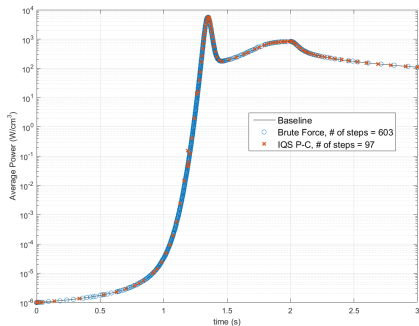


Figure: LRA Power Profile

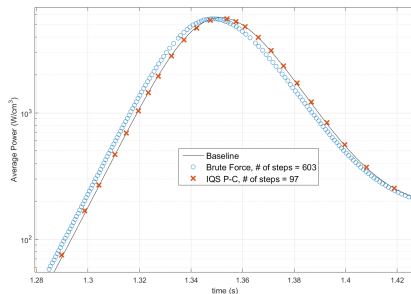


Figure: LRA Peak Power Profile

Event	Brute Force			IQS P-C		
	Power (W/cm³)	Error	Steps	Power (W/cm³)	Error	Steps
Max Power	5567.3	0.019454	423	5568.3	0.019274	47
End (3 s)	109.66	2.3650e-4	603	109.65	3.0622e-4	97



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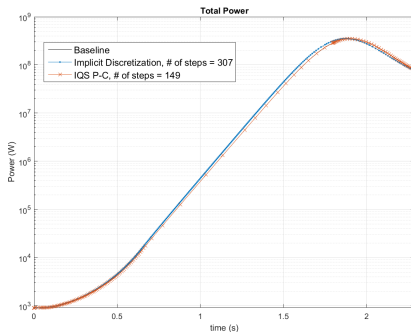
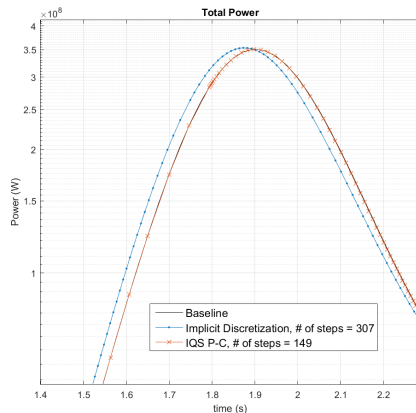


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# Motivation

Figure: LRA convergence at  $t = 1.44s$

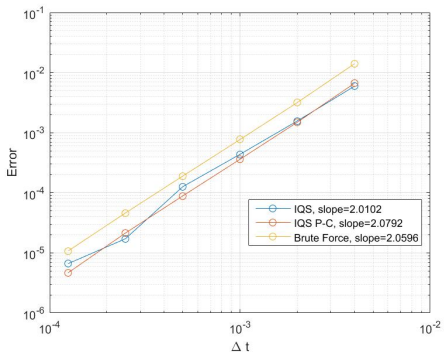
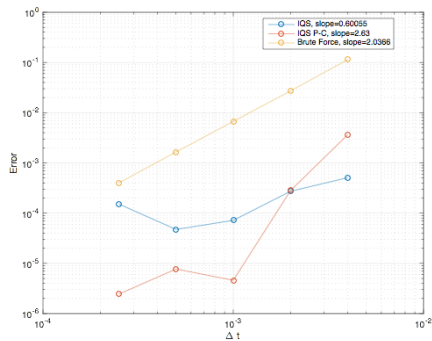
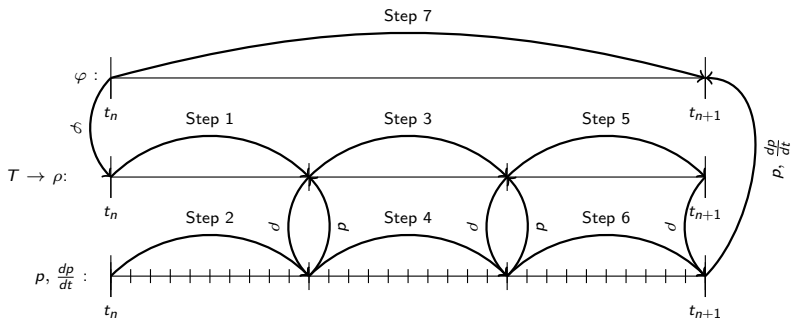


Figure: LRA convergence at  $t = 1.40s$





# Multiphysics Timescale



# LRA with New Timescale

Figure: LRA multiphysics updates convergence

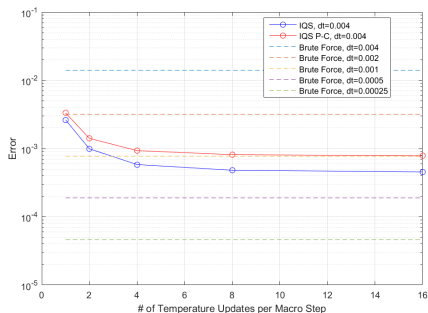
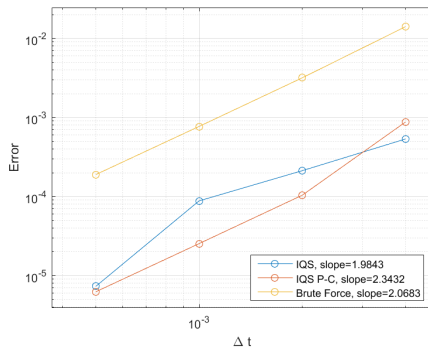


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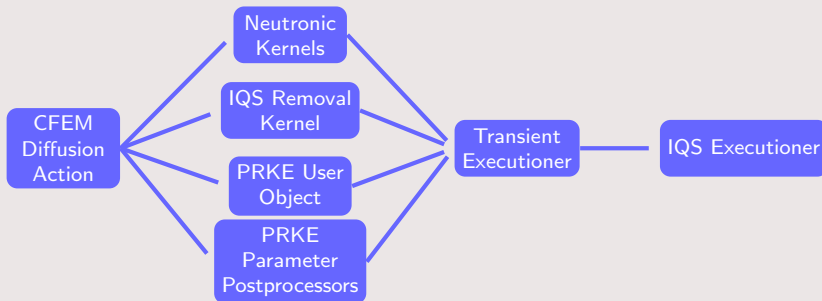


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# Executioner, User Object, Postprocessor, Postprocessor, Postprocessor, ...

## Current Implementation



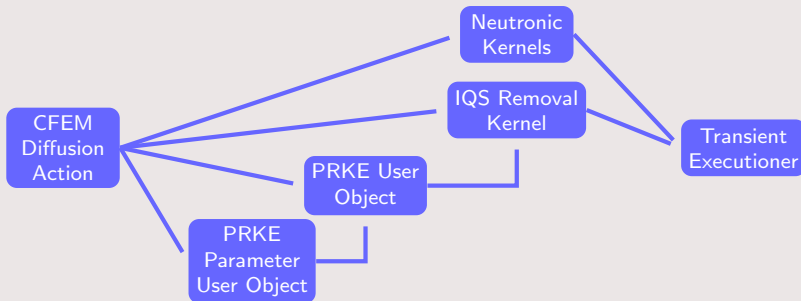
## What's Wrong?

- Multitudinous postprocessors
- Weakly defined  $\rho$  with `save_in`
- Lots of duplicate code between Transient and IQS executioner



# User Objects

## Proposed Implementation



## What's Good?

- Less files and duplicate code
- IQS iteration at PFJNK level (Picard currently)
- Easier integration of other transport systems



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# IQS Update

## Honey-Done List

- Initial IQS implementation to TREAT examples
- IQS testing with step doubling
- Initial thoughts on IQS multiphysics

## Honey-Do List

- Waiting on MOOSE to finish refactoring time steppers so Rattlesnake can have step doubling
- IQS multiphysics with multi-apps in mind
- Refactor IQS executioner to user object

# Questions about IQS?

## Thank you

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What people think when I say I work on TREAT



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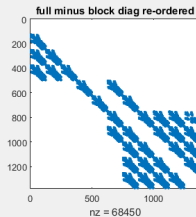
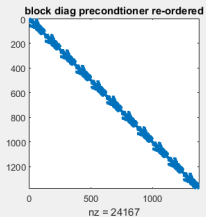
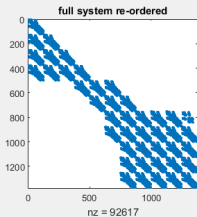
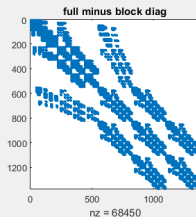
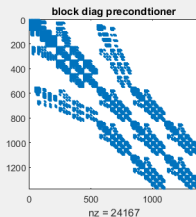
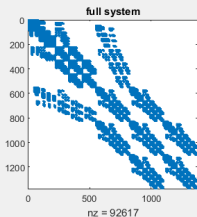






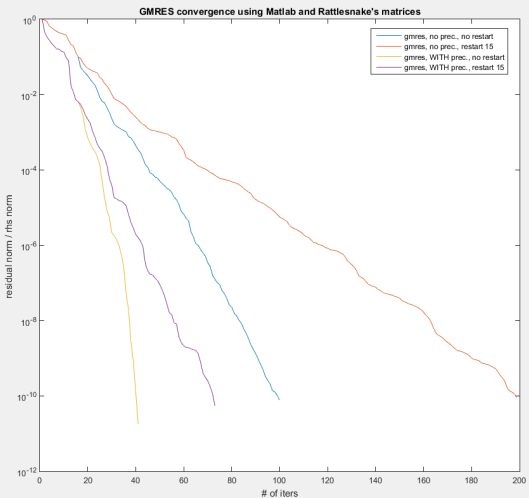
# Preconditioning

## Jacobian Sparsity



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## GMRES Convergence



# Whew!

