

# Multiscale/Multiphysics Session

## ■ Broad Discussion Points

- What do we mean by multiscale and multiphysics?
  - **Multiphysics:** Can occur via integration of various codes or integration of various equations/numerical techniques or both.
  - **Multiscale:** Spatial/temporal domains of varying resolution (e.g. AMR or adaptive time stepping)
- Magma dynamics (magma/mantle convection) and subduction zone problems arose as potential focus areas.
- Software engineering challenges exist in this area.
- Using a common mesh across codes is a “typical” mechanism for code coupling.
- Some feel a clearer argument needs to be made for the need to pursue multiscale/multiphysics.
- Applications in other disciplines (e.g. integrated thermal/structural/optical modeling) provided some context for discussion along with examples in surface deformation (GeoFEST) and magnetospheric flow
- “Homogenization” was raised as a technique for multiscale modeling during the report summary

