

# An Overview of Trilinos



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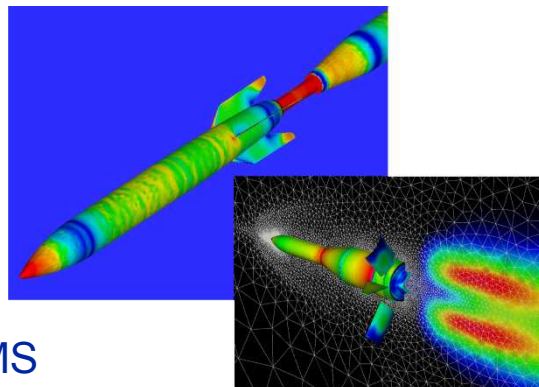
# Outline of Talk

- Background / Motivation / Evolution.
- Trilinos Package Concepts.
- Whirlwind Tour of Trilinos Packages.
- Getting Started.
- A Closer Look: Anasazi/Belos, ML, and NOX/LOCA
- Solver Collaborations: ANAs, LALs and APPs.
- Concluding remarks.

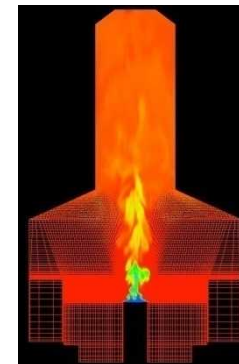
# Sandia Physics Simulation Codes

- Element-based
  - ◆ Finite element, finite volume, finite difference, network, etc...
- Large-scale
  - ◆ Billions of unknowns
- Parallel
  - ◆ MPI-based SPMD
  - ◆ Distributed memory
- C++
  - ◆ Object oriented
  - ◆ Some coupling to legacy Fortran libraries

Fluids



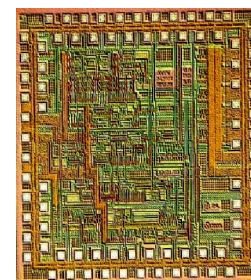
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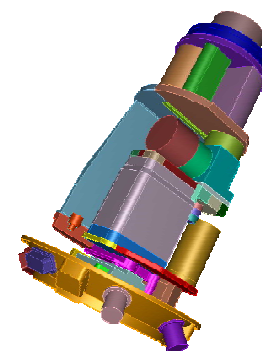
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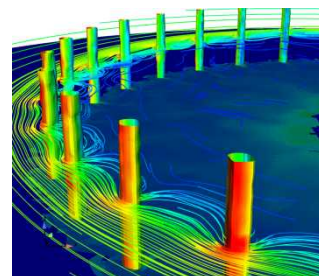
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Structures



Plasmas





# Motivation For Trilinos

- Sandia does LOTS of solver work.
- 9 years ago ...
  - ◆ Aztec was a mature package. Used in many codes.
  - ◆ FETI, PETSc, DSCPack, Spooles, ARPACK, DASPK, and many other codes were (and are) in use.
  - ◆ New projects were underway or planned in multi-level preconditioners, eigensolvers, non-linear solvers, etc...
- The challenges:
  - ◆ Little or no coordination was in place to:
    - Efficiently reuse existing solver technology.
    - Leverage new development across various projects.
    - Support solver software processes.
    - Provide consistent solver APIs for applications.
  - ◆ ASCI was forming software quality assurance/engineering (SQA/SQE) requirements:
    - Daunting requirements for any single solver effort to address alone.



# Evolving Trilinos Solution

- Trilinos<sup>1</sup> is an evolving framework to address these challenges:
  - ◆ Fundamental atomic unit is a *package*.
  - ◆ Includes core set of vector, graph and matrix classes (Epetra/Tpetra packages).
  - ◆ Provides a common abstract solver API (Thyra package).
  - ◆ Provides a ready-made package infrastructure (new\_package package):
    - Source code management (cvs, bonsai).
    - Build tools (autotools).
    - Automated regression testing (queue directories within repository).
    - Communication tools (mailman mail lists).
  - ◆ Specifies requirements and suggested practices for package SQA.
- In general allows us to categorize efforts:
  - ◆ Efforts best done at the Trilinos level (useful to most or all packages).
  - ◆ Efforts best done at a package level (peculiar or important to a package).
  - ◆ **Allows package developers to focus only on things that are unique to their package.**

1. Trilinos loose translation: “A string of pearls”

# Evolving Trilinos Solution

**physics**

$$L(u)=f$$

*Math. model*

$$L_h(u_h)=f_h$$

*Numerical model*

$$u_h=L_h^{-1}\cdot f_h$$

*Algorithms*

**computation**

- Beyond a “solvers” framework
- Natural expansion of capabilities to satisfy application and research needs

## Numerical math

Convert to models that can be solved on digital computers

## Algorithms

Find faster and more efficient ways to solve numerical models

## discretizations

Time domain  
Space domain

## methods

Automatic diff.  
Domain dec.  
Mortar methods

## solvers

Linear  
Nonlinear  
Eigenvalues  
Optimization

## core

Petra  
Utilities  
Interfaces  
Load Balancing

*Trilinos*

- Discretization methods, AD, Mortar methods, ...



# Trilinos Package Summary

	Objective	Package(s)
Discretizations	Spatial Discretizations (FEM,FV,FD)	Intrepid, Phalanx, Shards
	Time Integration	Rythmos
Methods	Automatic Differentiation	Sacado
	Mortar Methods	Moertel
Core	Linear algebra objects	Epetra, Jpetra, Tpetra
	Abstract interfaces	Thyra, Stratimikos, RTOp
	Load Balancing	Zoltan, Isorropia
	“Skins”	PyTrilinos, WebTrilinos, Star-P, <i>ForTrilinos</i>
	C++ utilities, (some) I/O	Teuchos, EpetraExt, Kokkos, Triutils
Solvers	Iterative (Krylov) linear solvers	AztecOO, Belos, Komplex
	Direct sparse linear solvers	Amesos
	Direct dense linear solvers	Epetra, Teuchos, Pliris
	Iterative eigenvalue solvers	Anasazi
	ILU-type preconditioners	AztecOO, IFPACK
	Multilevel preconditioners	ML, CLAPS
	Block preconditioners	Meros
	Nonlinear system solvers	NOX, LOCA
	Optimization (SAND)	MOOCHO, Aristos





## Package Concepts

# Interoperability vs. Dependence

(“Can Use”)

(“Depends On”)

- Although most Trilinos packages have no explicit dependence, often packages must interact with *some* other packages:
  - ◆ NOX needs operator, vector and linear solver objects.
  - ◆ AztecOO needs preconditioner, matrix, operator and vector objects.
  - ◆ Interoperability is enabled at configure time. For example, NOX:
    - `--enable-nox-lapack`      compile NOX lapack interface libraries
    - `--enable-nox-epetra`      compile NOX epetra interface libraries
    - `--enable-nox-petsc`      compile NOX petsc interface libraries
- Trilinos **configure** script is vehicle for:
  - ◆ Establishing interoperability of Trilinos components...
  - ◆ Without compromising individual package autonomy.
- Trilinos offers seven basic interoperability mechanisms.



# Trilinos Interoperability Mechanisms

## (Acquired as Package Matures)

*Package* builds under Trilinos configure scripts.



*Package* can be built as part of a suite of packages; cross-package interfaces enable/disable automatically

*Package* accepts user data as Epetra or Thyra objects



Applications using Epetra/Thyra can use *package*

*Package* accepts parameters from Teuchos ParameterLists



Applications using Teuchos ParameterLists can drive *package*

*Package* can be used via Thyra abstract solver classes



Applications or other packages using Thyra can use *package*

*Package* can use Epetra for private data.



*Package* can then use other packages that understand Epetra

*Package* accesses solver services via Thyra interfaces



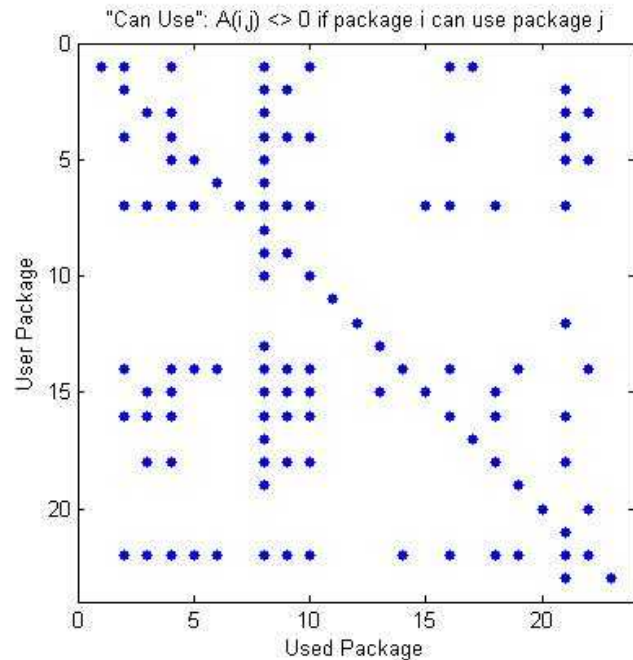
*Package* can then use other packages that implement Thyra interfaces

*Package* available via PyTrilinos



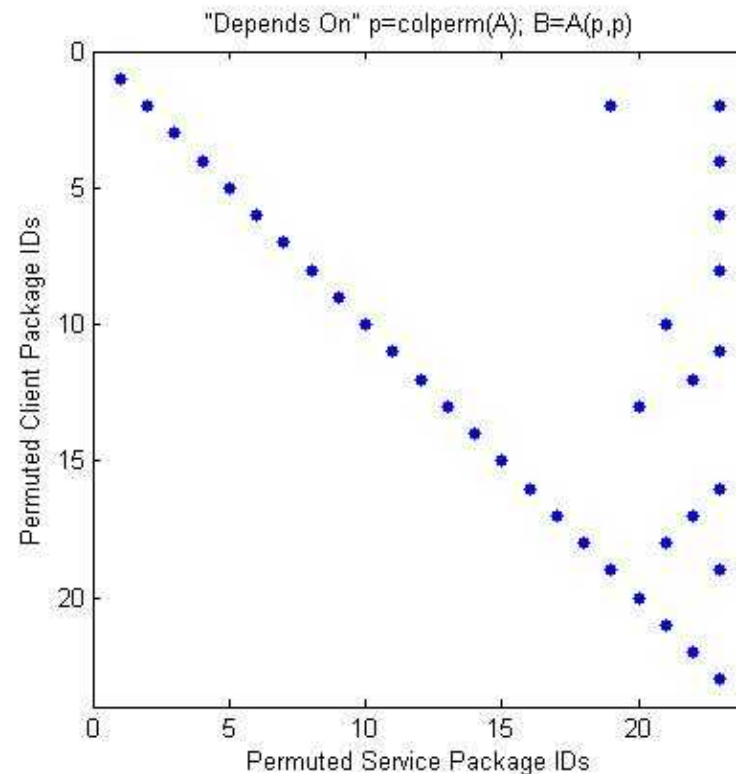
*Package* can be used with other Trilinos packages via Python.

# “Can Use” vs. “Depends On”



← “Can Use”

- Interoperable without dependence.
- Dense is Good.
- Encouraged.



→ “Depends On”

- OK, if essential.
- Epetra, Teuchos: 9 clients.
- Thyra, NOX: 2 clients.
- Discouraged.

# What Trilinos is not ...

- Trilinos is not a single monolithic piece of software. Each package:
    - ◆ Can be built independent of Trilinos.
    - ◆ Has its own self-contained CVS structure.
    - ◆ Has its own Bugzilla product and mail lists.
    - ◆ Development team is free to make its own decisions about algorithms, coding style, release contents, testing process, etc.
  - Trilinos top layer is not a large amount of source code:
    - ◆ Trilinos repository (6.0 branch) contains: 660,378 source lines of code (SLOC).
    - ◆ Sum of the packages SLOC counts: 648,993.
    - ◆ Trilinos top layer SLOC count: 11,385 (1.7%).
- Trilinos is not “indivisible”:
    - ◆ You don’t need all of Trilinos to get things done.
    - ◆ Any collection of packages can be combined and distributed.
    - ◆ Current public release contains only 26 of the 30+ Trilinos packages.



# Whirlwind Tour of Packages

Core Utilities

Discretizations

Methods

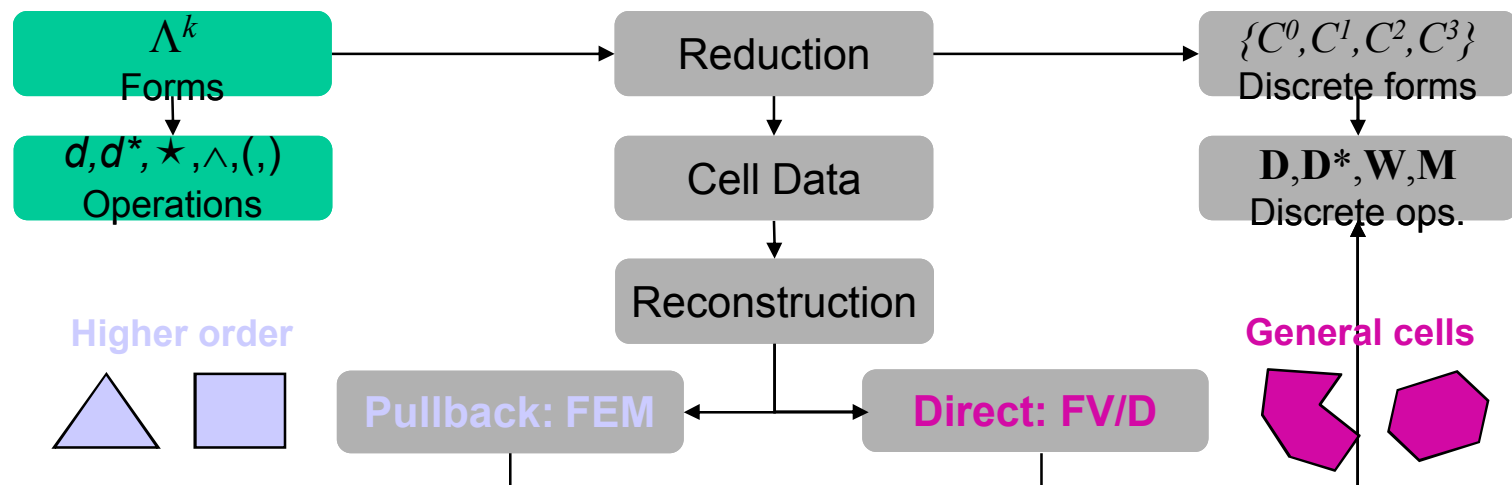
Solvers

# Intrepid

*Interoperable Tools for Rapid Development  
of Compatible Discretizations*

Intrepid offers an **innovative software design** for compatible discretizations:

- allows access to FEM, FV and FD methods using a common API
- supports **hybrid discretizations** (FEM, FV and FD) on unstructured grids
- supports a variety of cell shapes:
  - standard shapes (e.g. tets, hexes): high-order finite element methods
  - arbitrary (polyhedral) shapes: low-order mimetic finite difference methods
- enables optimization, error estimation, V&V, and UQ using fast invasive techniques (direct support for cell-based derivative computations or via automatic differentiation)



**Developers: Pavel Bochev and Denis Ridzal**





# Rythmos

- Suite of time integration (discretization) methods
  - Includes: backward Euler, forward Euler, explicit Runge-Kutta, and implicit BDF at this time.
  - Native support for operator split methods.
  - Highly modular.
  - Forward sensitivity computations will be included in the first release with adjoint sensitivities coming in near future.

**Developers: Todd Coffey, Roscoe Bartlett**



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Discretizations

**Methods**

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# Sacado: Automatic Differentiation

- Efficient OO based AD tools optimized for element-level computations
- Applies AD at “element”-level computation
  - ♦ “Element” means finite element, finite volume, network device,...
- Template application’s element-computation code
  - ♦ Developers only need to maintain one templated code base
- Provides three forms of AD
  - ♦ Forward Mode:  $(x, V) \longrightarrow \left(f, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} V\right)$ 
    - Propagate derivatives of intermediate variables w.r.t. independent variables forward
    - Directional derivatives, tangent vectors, square Jacobians,  $\partial f / \partial x$  when  $m \geq n$ .
  - ♦ Reverse Mode:  $(x, W) \longrightarrow \left(f, W^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)$ 
    - Propagate derivatives of dependent variables w.r.t. intermediate variables backwards
    - Gradients, Jacobian-transpose products (adjoints),  $\partial f / \partial x$  when  $n > m$ .
  - ♦ Taylor polynomial mode:  $x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^d x_k t^k \longrightarrow \sum_{k=0}^d f_k t^k = f(x(t)) + O(t^{d+1}), f_k = \frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^k}{dt^k} f(x(t))$
  - ♦ Basic modes combined for higher derivatives.

**Developers: Eric Phipps, David Gay**



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# Teuchos

- Portable utility package of commonly useful tools:
  - ◆ ParameterList class: key/value pair database, recursive capabilities.
  - ◆ LAPACK, BLAS wrappers (templated on ordinal and scalar type).
  - ◆ Dense matrix and vector classes (compatible with BLAS/LAPACK).
  - ◆ FLOP counters, timers.
  - ◆ Ordinal, Scalar Traits support: Definition of 'zero', 'one', etc.
  - ◆ Reference counted pointers / arrays, and more...
- Takes advantage of advanced features of C++:
  - ◆ Templates
  - ◆ Standard Template Library (STL)
- Teuchos::ParameterList:
  - ◆ Allows easy control of solver parameters.
  - ◆ XML format input/output.

**Developers: Roscoe Barlett, Kevin Long, Heidi Thornquist, Mike Heroux,  
Paul Sexton, Kris Kampshoff, Chris Baker**



# Trilinos Common Language: Petra

- Petra provides a “common language” for distributed linear algebra objects (operator, matrix, vector)
- Petra<sup>1</sup> provides distributed matrix and vector services.
- Exists in basic form as an object model:
  - ◆ Describes basic user and support classes in UML, independent of language/implementation.
  - ◆ Describes objects and relationships to build and use matrices, vectors and graphs.
  - ◆ Has 3 implementations under development.

<sup>1</sup>Petra is Greek for “foundation”.

# Petra Implementations

- Epetra (Essential Petra):
  - ◆ Current production version.
  - ◆ Restricted to real, double precision arithmetic.
  - ◆ Uses stable core subset of C++ (circa 2000).
  - ◆ Interfaces accessible to C and Fortran users.
- Tpetra (Templated Petra):
  - ◆ Next generation C++ version.
  - ◆ Templated scalar and ordinal fields.
  - ◆ Uses namespaces, and STL: Improved usability/efficiency.
- Jpetra (Java Petra):
  - ◆ Pure Java. Portable to any JVM.
  - ◆ Interfaces to Java versions of MPI, LAPACK and BLAS via interfaces.



**Developers: Chris Baker, Mike Heroux, Rob Hoekstra, Alan Williams**





# EpetraExt: Extensions to Epetra

- Library of useful classes not needed by everyone
- Most classes are types of “transforms”.
- Examples:
  - ◆ Graph/matrix view extraction.
  - ◆ Epetra/Zoltan interface.
  - ◆ Explicit sparse transpose.
  - ◆ Singleton removal filter, static condensation filter.
  - ◆ Overlapped graph constructor, graph colorings.
  - ◆ Permutations.
  - ◆ Sparse matrix-matrix multiply.
  - ◆ Matlab, MatrixMarket I/O functions.
- Most classes are small, useful, but non-trivial to write.

# Zoltan

## ■ Data Services for Dynamic Applications

- ◆ Dynamic load balancing
- ◆ Graph coloring
- ◆ Data migration
- ◆ Matrix ordering

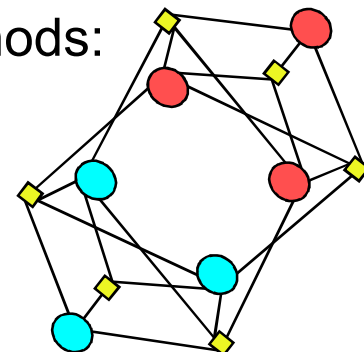
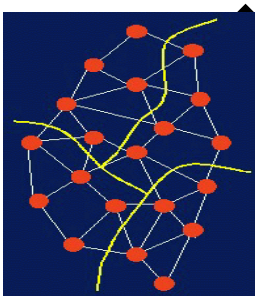
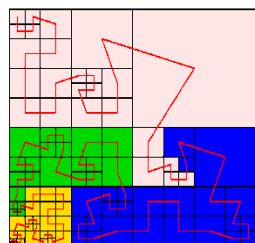
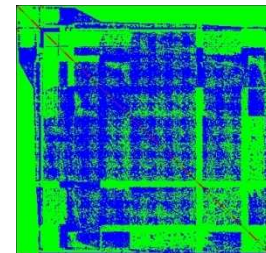
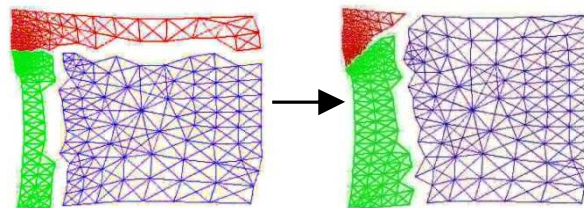
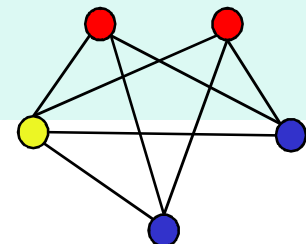
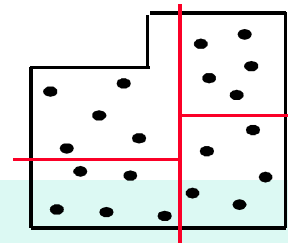
## ■ Partitioners:

### Geometric (coordinate-based) methods:

- Recursive Coordinate Bisection (Berger, Bokhari)
- Recursive Inertial Bisection (Taylor, Nour-Omid)
- Space Filling Curves (Peano, Hilbert)
- Refinement-tree Partitioning (Mitchell)

### Hypergraph and graph (connectivity-based) methods:

- Hypergraph Repartitioning PaToH (Catalyurek)
- Zoltan Hypergraph Partitioning
- ParMETIS (U. Minnesota)
- Jostle (U. Greenwich)



**Developers: Karen Devine, Eric Boman, Robert Heaphy**



# Thyra

- High-performance, abstract interfaces for linear algebra
- Offers flexibility through abstractions to algorithm developers
- Linear solvers (Direct, Iterative, Preconditioners)
  - ◆ Abstraction of basic vector/matrix operations (dot, axpy, mv).
  - ◆ Can use any concrete linear algebra library (Epetra, PETSc, BLAS).
- Nonlinear solvers (Newton, etc.)
  - ◆ Abstraction of linear solve (solve  $Ax=b$ ).
  - ◆ Can use any concrete linear solver library:
    - AztecOO, Belos, ML, PETSc, LAPACK
- Transient/DAE solvers (implicit)
  - ◆ Abstraction of nonlinear solve.
  - ◆ ... and so on.

**Developers: Roscoe Bartlett, Kevin Long**



# “Skins”

- PyTrilinos provides Python access to Trilinos packages
- Uses SWIG to generate bindings.
- Epetra, AztecOO, IFPACK, ML, NOX, LOCA, Amesos and NewPackage are supported.

**Developer: Bill Spatz**

- WebTrilinos: Web interface to Trilinos
- Generate test problems or read from file.
- Generate C++ or Python code fragments and click-run.
- Hand modify code fragments and re-run.
- **Will use during hands-on.**

**Developers: Ray Tuminaro, Jonathan Hu, and Marzio Sala**



# Whirlwind Tour of Packages

Discretizations

Methods

Core

**Solvers**



# Amesos

- Interface to direct solvers for distributed sparse linear systems (KLU, UMFPACK, SuperLU, MUMPS, ScaLAPACK)
- Challenges:
  - ◆ No single solver dominates
  - ◆ Different interfaces and data formats, serial and parallel
  - ◆ Interface often changes between revisions
- Amesos offers:
  - ◆ A single, clear, consistent interface, to various packages
  - ◆ Common look-and-feel for all classes
  - ◆ Separation from specific solver details
  - ◆ Use serial and distributed solvers; Amesos takes care of data redistribution
  - ◆ Native solvers: KLU and Paraklete

**Developers: Ken Stanley, Marzio Sala, Tim Davis**

# AztecOO

- Krylov subspace solvers: CG, GMRES, Bi-CGSTAB,...
- Incomplete factorization preconditioners
- Aztec is the workhorse solver at Sandia:
  - ◆ Extracted from the MPSalsa reacting flow code.
  - ◆ Installed in dozens of Sandia apps.
  - ◆ 1900+ external licenses.
- AztecOO improves on Aztec by:
  - ◆ Using Epetra objects for defining matrix and RHS.
  - ◆ Providing more preconditioners/scalings.
  - ◆ Using C++ class design to enable more sophisticated use.
- AztecOO interfaces allows:
  - ◆ Continued use of Aztec for functionality.
  - ◆ Introduction of new solver capabilities outside of Aztec.



**Developers: Mike Heroux, Alan Williams, Ray Tuminaro**



# Belos

- Next-generation linear solver library, written in templated C++.
- Provide a generic framework for developing iterative algorithms for solving large-scale, linear problems.
- Algorithm implementation is accomplished through the use of traits classes and abstract base classes:
  - ♦ Operator-vector products: `Belos::MultiVecTraits`, `Belos::OperatorTraits`
  - ♦ Orthogonalization: `Belos::OrthoManager`, `Belos::MatOrthoManager`
  - ♦ Status tests: `Belos::StatusTest`, `Belos::StatusTestResNorm`
  - ♦ Iteration kernels: `Belos::Iteration`
  - ♦ Linear solver managers: `Belos::SolverManager`
- AztecOO provides solvers for  $Ax=b$ , what about solvers for:
  - ♦ Simultaneously solved systems w/ multiple-RHS:  $AX = B$
  - ♦ Sequentially solved systems w/ multiple-RHS:  $AX_i = B_i, i=1, \dots, t$
  - ♦ Sequences of multiple-RHS systems:  $A_i X_i = B_i, i=1, \dots, t$
- Many advanced methods for these types of linear systems
  - ♦ Block methods: block GMRES [Vital], block CG/BICG [O'Leary]
  - ♦ "Seed" solvers: hybrid GMRES [Nachtigal, et al.]
  - ♦ Recycling solvers: recycled Krylov methods [Parks, et al.]
  - ♦ Restarting techniques, orthogonalization techniques, ...

**Developers:** Heidi Thornquist, Mike Heroux, Mike Parks,  
Rich Lehoucq, Teri Barth



# IFPACK: Algebraic Preconditioners

- Overlapping Schwarz preconditioners with incomplete factorizations, block relaxations, block direct solves.
- Accept user matrix via abstract matrix interface (Epetra versions).
- Uses Epetra for basic matrix/vector calculations.
- Supports simple perturbation stabilizations and condition estimation.
- Separates graph construction from factorization, improves performance substantially.
- Compatible with AztecOO, ML, Amesos. Can be used by NOX and ML.



## : Multi-level Preconditioners

- Smoothed aggregation, multigrid and domain decomposition preconditioning package
- Critical technology for scalable performance of some key apps.
- ML compatible with other Trilinos packages:
  - ◆ Accepts user data as Epetra\_RowMatrix object (abstract interface). Any implementation of Epetra\_RowMatrix works.
  - ◆ Implements the Epetra\_Operator interface. Allows ML preconditioners to be used with AztecOO, Belos, Anasazi.
- Can also be used completely independent of other Trilinos packages.



# Anasazi

- Next-generation eigensolver library, written in templated C++.
- Provide a generic framework for developing iterative algorithms for solving large-scale eigenproblems.
- Algorithm implementation is accomplished through the use of traits classes and abstract base classes:
  - ♦ Operator-vector products: `Anasazi::MultiVecTraits`, `Anasazi::OperatorTraits`
  - ♦ Orthogonalization: `Anasazi::OrthoManager`, `Anasazi::MatOrthoManager`
  - ♦ Status tests: `Anasazi::StatusTest`, `Anasazi::StatusTestResNorm`
  - ♦ Iteration kernels: `Anasazi::EigenSolver`
  - ♦ Eigensolver managers: `Anasazi::SolverManager`
  - ♦ Eigenproblem: `Anasazi::Eigenproblem`
  - ♦ Sort managers: `Anasazi::SortManager`
- Currently has solver managers for three eigensolvers:
  - ♦ Block Krylov-Schur
  - ♦ Block Davidson
  - ♦ LOBPCG
- Can solve:
  - ♦ standard and generalized eigenproblems
  - ♦ Hermitian and non-Hermitian eigenproblems
  - ♦ real or complex-valued eigenproblems

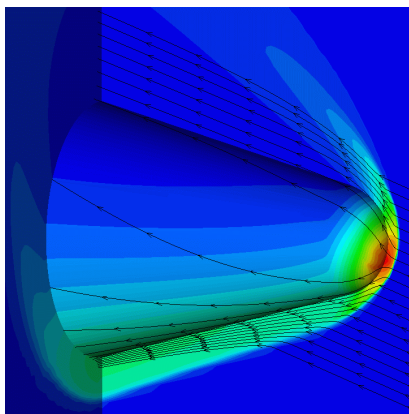
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# NOX: Nonlinear Solvers

- Suite of nonlinear solution methods

## Broyden's Method

$$M_B = f(x_c) + B_c d$$



## Jacobian Estimation

- Graph Coloring
- Finite Difference
- Matrix-Free
- Newton-Krylov

## Newton's Method

$$M_N = f(x_c) + J_c d$$



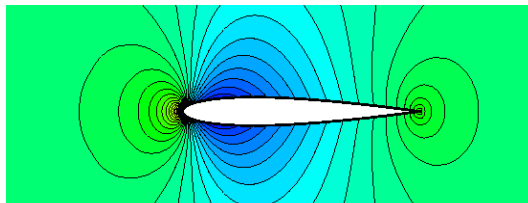
## Globalizations

### Line Search

Interval Halving  
Quadratic  
Cubic  
More'-Thuente

### Trust Region

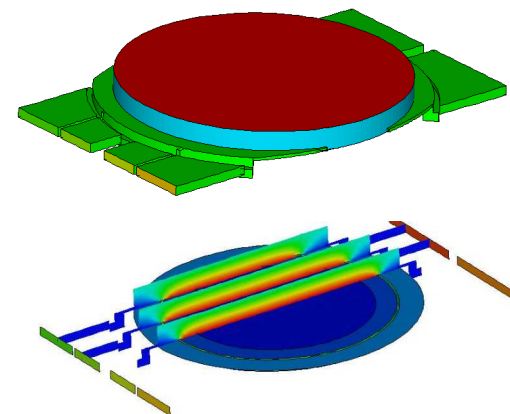
Dogleg  
Inexact Dogleg



<http://trilinos.sandia.gov/packages/nox>

## Tensor Method

$$M_T = f(x_c) + J_c d + \frac{1}{2} T_c d d$$



## Implementation

- Parallel
- OO-C++
- Independent of the linear algebra package!

Developers: Tammy Kolda, Roger Pawlowski



# LOCA

- Library of continuation algorithms
- Provides
  - ◆ Zero order continuation
  - ◆ First order continuation
  - ◆ Arc length continuation
  - ◆ Multi-parameter continuation (via Henderson's MF Library)
  - ◆ Turning point continuation
  - ◆ Pitchfork bifurcation continuation
  - ◆ Hopf bifurcation continuation
  - ◆ Phase transition continuation
  - ◆ Eigenvalue approximation (via ARPACK or Anasazi)



# MOOCHO & Aristos

- MOOCHO: Multifunctional Object-Oriented arCHitecture for Optimization
  - ◆ Large-scale invasive simultaneous analysis and design (SAND) using reduced space SQP methods.

**Developer: Roscoe Bartlett**

- Aristos: Optimization of large-scale design spaces
  - ◆ Invasive optimization approach based on full-space SQP methods.
  - ◆ Efficiently manages inexactness in the inner linear system solves.

**Developer: Denis Ridzal**



# Full Vertical Solver Coverage



<b>Optimization</b> Unconstrained: Constrained:	Find $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ that minimizes $g(u)$ Find $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ that minimizes $g(x, u)$ s.t. $f(x, u) = 0$	<b>Sensitivities</b> (Automatic Differentiation: Sacado)	<b>MOOCHO</b>
<b>Bifurcation Analysis</b>	Given nonlinear operator $F(x, u) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ For $F(x, u) = 0$ find space $u \in U \ni \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$		<b>LOCA</b>
<b>Transient Problems</b> DAEs/ODEs:	Solve $f(\dot{x}(t), x(t), t) = 0$ $t \in [0, T], x(0) = x_0, \dot{x}(0) = x'_0$ for $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n, t \in [0, T]$		<b>Rythmos</b>
<b>Nonlinear Problems</b>	Given nonlinear operator $F(x) \in \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ Solve $F(x) = 0 \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$		<b>NOX</b>
<b>Linear Problems</b> Linear Equations: Eigen Problems:	Given Linear Ops (Matrices) $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ Solve $Ax = b$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ Solve $A\nu = \lambda B\nu$ for (all) $\nu \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$		<b>AztecOO</b> <b>Belos</b> <b>Ifpack, ML, etc...</b> <b>Anasazi</b>
<b>Distributed Linear Algebra</b> Matrix/Graph Equations Vector Problems:	Compute $y = Ax; A = A(G); A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, G \in \mathbb{S}^{m \times n}$ Compute $y = \alpha x + \beta w; \alpha = \langle x, y \rangle; x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$		<b>Epetra</b> <b>Tpetra</b>



## A Closer Look ...



# Belos and Anasazi

- Next generation linear solver / eigensolver library, written in templated C++.
- Provide a generic interface to a collection of algorithms for solving large-scale linear problems / eigenproblems.
- Algorithm implementation is accomplished through the use of traits classes and abstract base classes:
  - ◆ e.g.: MultiVecTraits, OperatorTraits
  - ◆ e.g.: SolverManager, Eigensolver / Iteration, Eigenproblem/ LinearProblem, StatusTest, OrthoManager, OutputManager
- Includes block linear solvers / eigensolvers:
  - ◆ Higher operator performance.
  - ◆ More reliable.
- Solves:
  - ◆  $AX = X\Lambda$  or  $AX = BX\Lambda$  (Anasazi)
  - ◆  $AX = B$  (Belos)



# Why are Block Solvers Useful?

- Block Solvers ( in general ):
  - ◆ Achieve better performance for operator-vector products.
- Block Eigensolvers (  $Op(A)X = LX$  ):
  - ◆ Reliably determine multiple and/or clustered eigenvalues.
  - ◆ Example applications: Modal analysis, stability analysis, bifurcation analysis (LOCA)
- Block Linear Solvers (  $Op(A)X = B$  ):
  - ◆ Useful for when multiple solutions are required for the same system of equations.
  - ◆ Example applications:
    - Perturbation analysis
    - Optimization problems
    - Single right-hand sides where A has a handful of small eigenvalues
    - Inner-iteration of block eigensolvers



# Linear / Eigensolver Software Design

Belos and Anasazi are solver libraries that:

1. Provide an abstract interface to an operator-vector products, scaling, and preconditioning.
2. Allow the user to enlist any linear algebra package for the elementary vector space operations essential to the algorithm. (Epetra, PETSc, etc.)
3. Allow the user to define convergence of any algorithm (a.k.a. status testing).
4. Allow the user to determine the verbosity level, formatting, and processor for the output.
5. Allow these decisions to be made at runtime.
6. Allow for easier creation of new solvers through “managers” using “iterations” as the basic kernels.



# Anasazi / Belos Design

- Eigenproblem/ LinearProblem Class
  - ♦ Describes the problem and stores the answer
- Eigensolver / Linear Solver Manager (SolverManager) Class
  - ♦ Parameter list driven strategy object describing behavior of solver
- Eigensolver / Iteration Class
  - ♦ Provide basic iteration interface.
- MultiVecTraits and OperatorTraits
  - ♦ Traits classes for interfacing linear algebra
- SortManagerClass [Anasazi only]
  - ♦ Allows selection of desired eigenvalues
- OrthoManagerClass
  - ♦ Provide basic interface for orthogonalization
- StatusTestClass
  - ♦ Control testing of convergence, etc.
- OutputManagerClass
  - ♦ Control verbosity and printing in a MP scenario



# Anasazi / Belos Status

- Anasazi (Trilinos Release 8.0):
  - ◆ Solvers: Block Krylov-Schur, Block Davidson, LOBPCG
  - ◆ Can solve standard and generalized eigenproblems
  - ◆ Can solve Hermitian and non-Hermitian eigenproblems
  - ◆ Can target largest or smallest eigenvalues
  - ◆ Block size is independent of number of requested eigenvalues
- Belos (Trilinos Release 8.0):
  - ◆ Solvers: CG, BlockCG, BlockGMRES, BlockFGMRES, GCRO-DR
  - ◆ Belos::EpetraOperator, Thyra::LOWS, and Stratimikos interface allows for integration into other codes
  - ◆ Block size is independent of number of right-hand sides
- Linear algebra adapters for Epetra, NOX/LOCA, and Thyra
- Epetra interface accepts Epetra\_Operators, so can be used with ML, AztecOO, Ifpack, Belos, etc...
- Configurable via Teuchos::ParameterList



## : AMG for Magnetics Simulations

$$\nabla \times \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times E + \sigma E = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad (*)$$

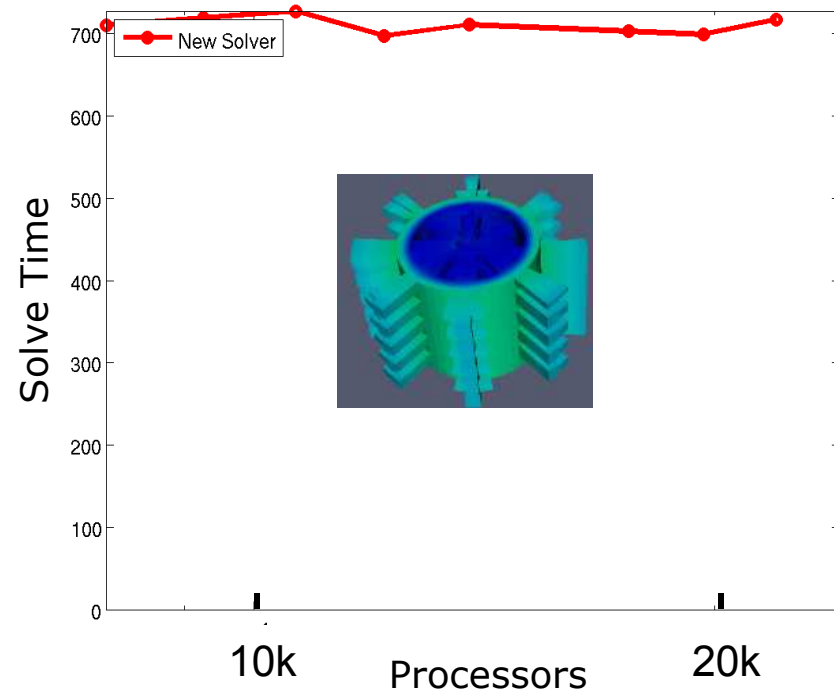
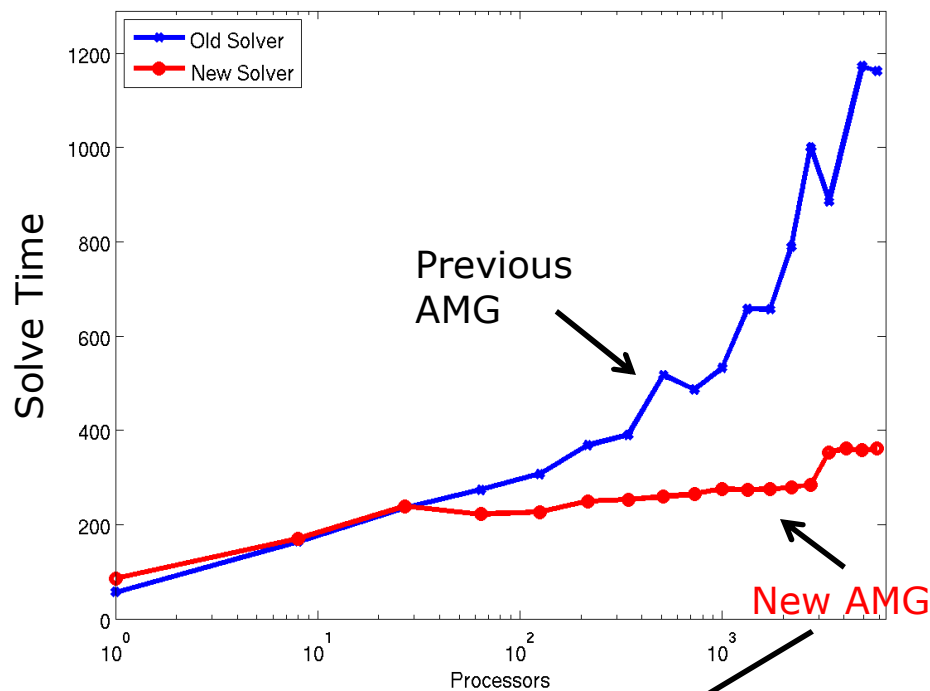
- Efficient solution critical to HEDP Z-pinch simulations
- Challenges:
  - ♦ Standard solvers do not converge
  - ♦ Large near null space of curl
  - ♦ Conductivity variation
  - ♦ Mesh stretching
- Two Sandia AMG methods for eddy current eqns:
  - ♦ (2002) Specialized AMG satisfying commuting relationship
  - ♦ (2006) Implicitly reformulate (\*) and leverage ML standard AMG:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{(e)} & \nabla \\ \nabla \cdot & \Delta^{(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$





# : Scaling on Red Storm



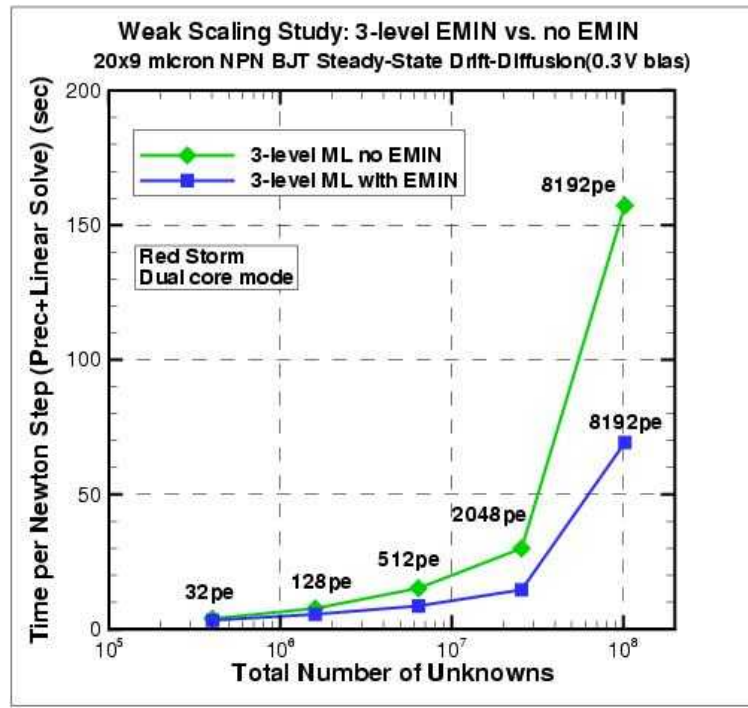
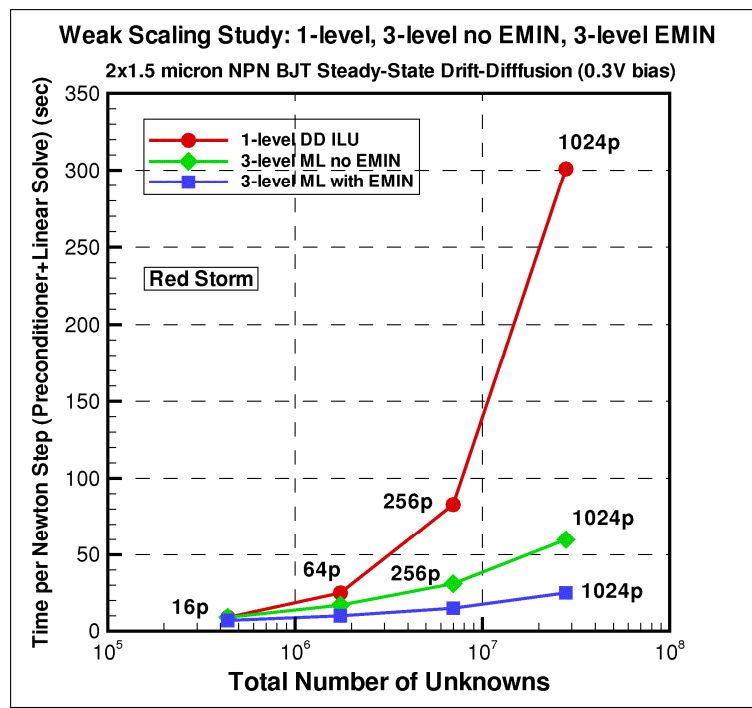
- 10 times steps
- Chebyshev polynomial smoother
- Parallel load-balancing via Zoltan



# : AMG for non-symmetric systems

- For many applications,  $A \neq A^T$ 
  - ♦ Symmetric AMG methods ineffective or diverge
  - ♦ Non-symmetric AMG theory doesn't exist
- ML has new AMG method for  $A \neq A^T$  that minimizes basis function energy (Tuminaro & Sala)

**Charon drift-diffusion (P. Lin, J. Shadid, et al.)**



# NOX/LOCA: Nonlinear Solver and Analysis Algorithms

NOX and LOCA are a combined package for solving and analyzing sets of nonlinear equations.

- NOX: Globalized Newton-based solvers.
- LOCA: Continuation, Stability, and Bifurcation Analysis.

We define the nonlinear problem:

given  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

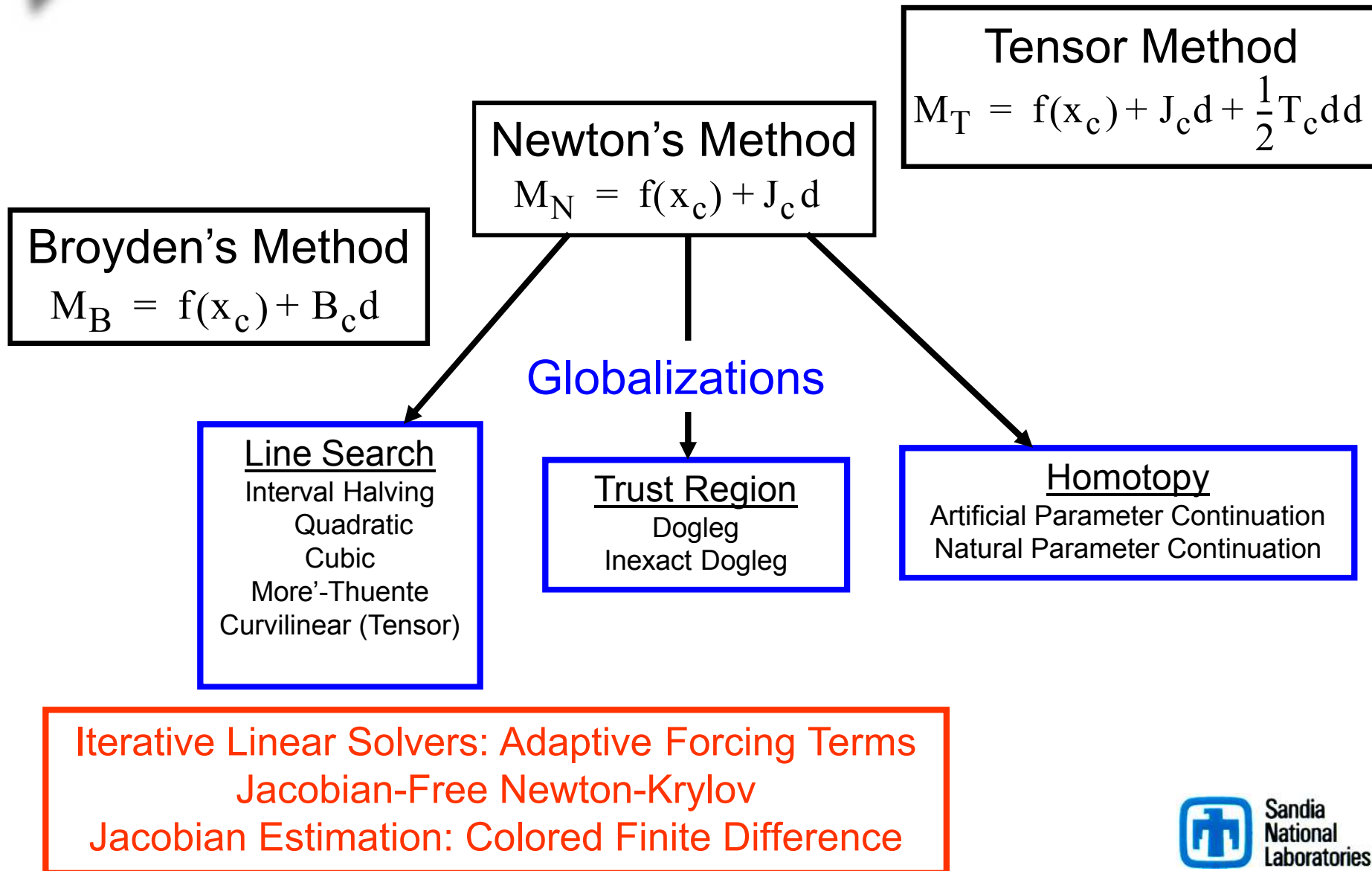
find  $x_* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $F(x_*) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$F$  is the residual or function evaluation

$x$  is the solution vector

$J \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the Jacobian Matrix defined by:  $J_{ij} = \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}$

# Nonlinear Solver Algorithms



# NOX Interface

NOX solver methods are **ANAs**, and are implemented in terms of group/vector abstract interfaces:

Group	Vector
<code>computeF()</code>	<code>innerProduct()</code>
<code>computeJacobian()</code>	<code>scale()</code>
<code>applyJacobianInverse()</code>	<code>norm()</code>
	<code>update()</code>

NOX solvers will work with any group/vector that implements these interfaces.

Four concrete implementations are supported:

1. LAPACK
2. EPETRA
3. PETSc
4. Thyra (Release 8.0)



## **Solver Collaborations: ANAs, LALs and APPs**

# Trilinos Strategic Goals

- **Scalable Computations:** As problem size and processor counts increase, the cost of the computation will remain nearly fixed.
- **Hardened Computations:** Never fail unless problem essentially intractable, in which case we diagnose and inform the user why the problem fails and provide a reliable measure of error.
- **Full Vertical Coverage:** Provide leading edge enabling technologies through the entire technical application software stack: from problem construction, solution, analysis and optimization.

Algorithmic  
Goals

**Grand Universal Interoperability:** All Trilinos packages will be interoperable, so that any combination of solver packages that makes sense algorithmically will be possible within Trilinos.

Thyra is being  
developed to  
address this  
issue

- **Universal Accessibility:** All Trilinos capabilities will be available to users of major computing environments: C++, Fortran, Python and the Web, and from the desktop to the latest scalable systems.
- **Universal Solver RAS:** Trilinos will be:
  - Reliable: Leading edge hardened, scalable solutions for each of these applications
  - Available: Integrated into every major application at Sandia
  - Serviceable: Easy to maintain and upgrade within the application environment.

Software  
Goals

# Categories of Abstract Problems and Abstract Algorithms

Trilinos Packages

- Linear Problems: Given linear operator (matrix)  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ 
  - Linear equations: Solve  $Ax = b$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  **Belos**
  - Eigen problems: Solve  $Av = \lambda v$  for (all)  $v \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  **Anasazi**
- Nonlinear Problems: Given nonlinear operator  $c(x, u) \in \mathbf{R}^{n+m} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ 
  - Nonlinear equations: Solve  $c(x) = 0$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  **NOX**
  - Stability analysis: For  $c(x, u) = 0$  find space  $u \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $\frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$  is singular **LOCA**
- Transient Nonlinear Problems:
  - DAEs/ODEs: Solve  $f(\dot{x}(t), x(t), t) = 0, t \in [0, T], x(0) = x_0, \dot{x}(0) = x'_0$   
for  $x(t) \in \mathbf{R}^n, t \in [0, T]$  **Rythmos**
- Optimization Problems:
  - Unconstrained: Find  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$  that minimizes  $f(u)$  **MOOCHO**
  - Constrained: Find  $y \in \mathbf{R}^m$  and  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$  that:  
minimizes  $f(y, u)$   
such that  $c(y, u) = 0$  **Aristos**



# Abstract Numerical Algorithms

An **abstract numerical algorithm** (ANA) is a numerical algorithm that can be expressed solely in terms of vectors, vector spaces, and linear operators

## Example Linear ANA (LANA) : Linear Conjugate Gradients

Given:

$A \in \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  : s.p.d. linear operator

$b \in \mathcal{X}$  : right hand side vector

Find vector  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  that solves  $Ax = b$

- ANAs can be very mathematically sophisticated!
- ANAs can be extremely reusable!

## Linear Conjugate Gradient Algorithm

### Types of operations   Types of objects

Compute  $r^{(0)} = b - Ax^{(0)}$  for the initial guess  $x^{(0)}$ .

**for**  $i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\rho_{i-1} = \langle r^{(i-1)}, r^{(i-1)} \rangle$$

$$\beta_{i-1} = \rho_{i-1} / \rho_{i-2} \quad (\beta_0 = 0)$$

$$p^{(i)} = r^{(i-1)} + \beta_{i-1} p^{(i-1)} \quad (p^{(1)} = r^{(1)})$$

$$q^{(i)} = Ap^{(i)}$$

$$\gamma_i = \langle p^{(i)}, q^{(i)} \rangle$$

$$\alpha_i = \rho_{i-1} / \gamma_i$$

$$x^{(i)} = x^{(i-1)} + \alpha_i p^{(i)}$$

$$r^{(i)} = r^{(i-1)} - \alpha_i q^{(i)}$$

check convergence; continue if necessary

**end**

linear operator  
applications

vector-vector  
operations

scalar operations

scalar product  
 $\langle x, y \rangle$  defined by  
vector space

Linear Operators

- $A$

Vectors

- $r, x, p, q$

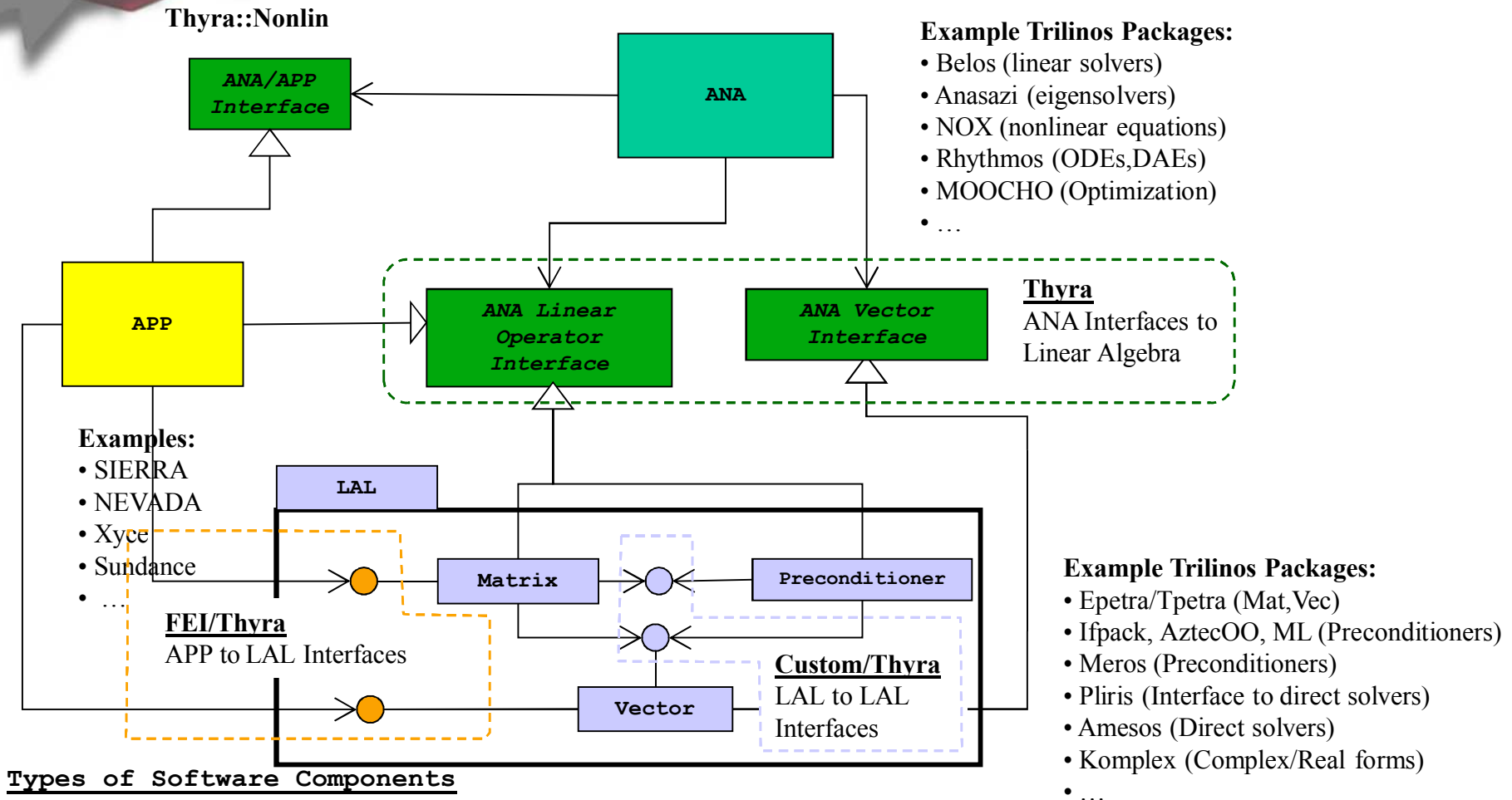
Scalars

- $\rho, \beta, \gamma, \alpha$

Vector spaces?

- $\mathcal{X}$

# Solver Software Components and Interfaces



## Types of Software Components

- 1) **ANA** : Abstract Numerical Algorithm (e.g. linear solvers, eigensolvers, nonlinear solvers, stability analysis, uncertainty quantification, transient solvers, optimization etc.)
- 2) **LAL** : Linear Algebra Library (e.g. vectors, sparse matrices, sparse factorizations, preconditioners)
- 3) **APP** : Application (the model: physics, discretization method etc.)



# Introducing Stratimikos

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- **Stratimikos** created Greek words "stratigiki" (strategy) and "grammikos" (linear)
- Defines class **Thyra::DefaultLinearSolverBuilder**.
- Provides common access to:
  - Linear Solvers: **Amesos**, **AztecOO**, **Belos**, ...
  - Preconditioners: **Ifpack**, **ML**, ...
- Reads in options through a **parameter list** (read from XML?)
- Accepts any linear system objects that provide
  - **Epetra\_Operator** / **Epetra\_RowMatrix** view of the matrix
  - SPMD vector views for the RHS and LHS (e.g. **Epetra\_[Multi]Vector** objects)
- Provides **uniform access** to linear solver options that can be leveraged **across multiple applications and algorithms**
- Future: TOPS-2 will add PETSc and other linear solvers and preconditioners!

## Key Points

- Stratimikos is an important building block for creating more sophisticated linear solver capabilities!

# Stratimikos Parameter List and Sublists

```
<ParameterList name="Stratimikos">
  <Parameter name="Linear Solver Type" type="string" value="Aztec00"/>
  <Parameter name="Preconditioner Type" type="string" value="Ifpack"/>
  <ParameterList name="Linear Solver Types">
    <ParameterList name="Amesos">
      <Parameter name="Solver Type" type="string" value="Klu"/>
      <ParameterList name="Amesos Settings">
        <Parameter name="MatrixProperty" type="string" value="general"/>
        ...
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      <ParameterList name="Superludist"> ... </ParameterList>
    </ParameterList>
  </ParameterList>
  <ParameterList name="Aztec00">
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        ...
      </ParameterList>
    </ParameterList>
    ...
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    <Parameter name="Overlap" type="int" value="0"/>
    <ParameterList name="Ifpack Settings">
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      ...
    </ParameterList>
  </ParameterList>
  <ParameterList name="ML"> ... </ParameterList>
</ParameterList>
</ParameterList>
```

Top level parameters

Linear Solvers

**Sublists passed  
on to package  
code!**

**Every parameter  
and sublist is  
handled by Thyra  
code and is fully  
validated!**

Preconditioners



# Trilinos Integration into an Application



# Export Makefile System

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Once Trilinos is built, how do you link against the application?

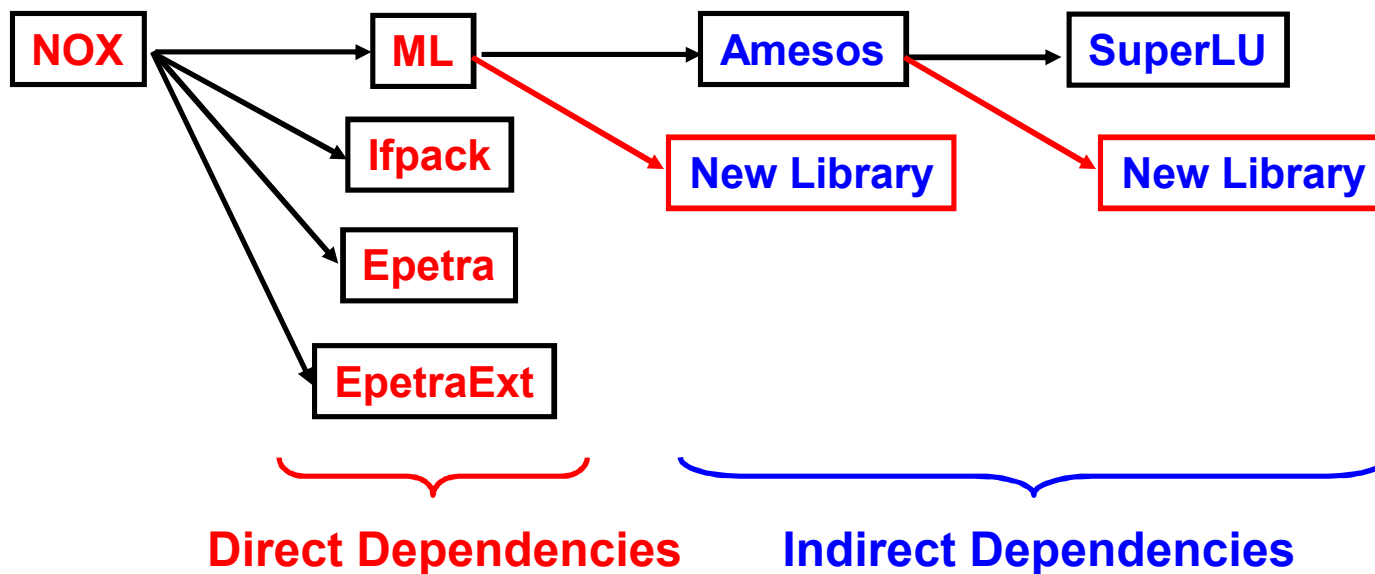
There are a number of issues:

- Library link order:
  - -lnoxepetra -lnox -lepetra -lteuchos -lblas -llapack
- Consistent compilers:
  - g++, mpiCC, icc...
- Consistent build options and package defines:
  - g++ -g -O3 -D HAVE\_MPI -D \_STL\_CHECKED

**Answer: Export Makefile system**

# Why Export Makefiles are Important

- The number of packages in Trilinos has exploded.
- As package dependencies (especially optional ones) are introduced, more maintenance is required by the top-level packages:



NOX either must:

- Account for the new libraries in its configure script (unscalable)
- Depend on direct dependent packages to supply them through export makefiles.

# Export Makefiles in Action

```
#####  
## Example Makefile for a user application that does not use autoconf  
## - Uses lapack concrete instantions for group and vector  
## - Must use gnu-make (gmake) if the "shell" command is invoked  
#####
```

```
##  
## Set the Trilinos install directory  
##  
TRILINOS_INSTALL_DIR = /home/rppawlo/trilinos-local-install
```

```
##  
## Include any direct Trilinos library dependencies - in this case only nox  
##  
include $(TRILINOS_INSTALL_DIR)/include/Makefile.export.nox.macros  
include $(TRILINOS_INSTALL_DIR)/include/Makefile.export.nox
```

```
##  
## Use one of the following lines (2nd line is for non-gnumake platforms)  
##  
COMPILE_FLAGS = $(shell perl $(TRILINOS_INSTALL_DIR)/include/strip_dup_incl_paths.pl $(NOX_CXXFLAGS) $(NOX_DEFS)  
$(NOX_CPPFLAGS) $(NOX_INCLUDES))
```

```
COMPILE_FLAGS = $(NOX_CXXFLAGS) $(NOX_DEFS) $(NOX_CPPFLAGS) $(NOX_INCLUDES)
```

```
##  
## Use one of the following lines (2nd line is for non-gnumake platforms)  
##  
LINK_FLAGS = $(shell perl $(TRILINOS_INSTALL_DIR)/include/strip_dup_libs.pl $(NOX_LIBS))  
LINK_FLAGS = $(NOX_LIBS)
```

```
## ## Build your application code ##  
main.exe: main.o $(NOX_CXXLD) $(NOX_CXXFLAGS) -o main.exe main.o $(LINK_FLAGS)
```

```
main.o: $(NOX_CXX) $(COMPILE_FLAGS) -c main.cpp
```

```
clean: rm -f *.o main.exe *~
```





## Concluding Remarks



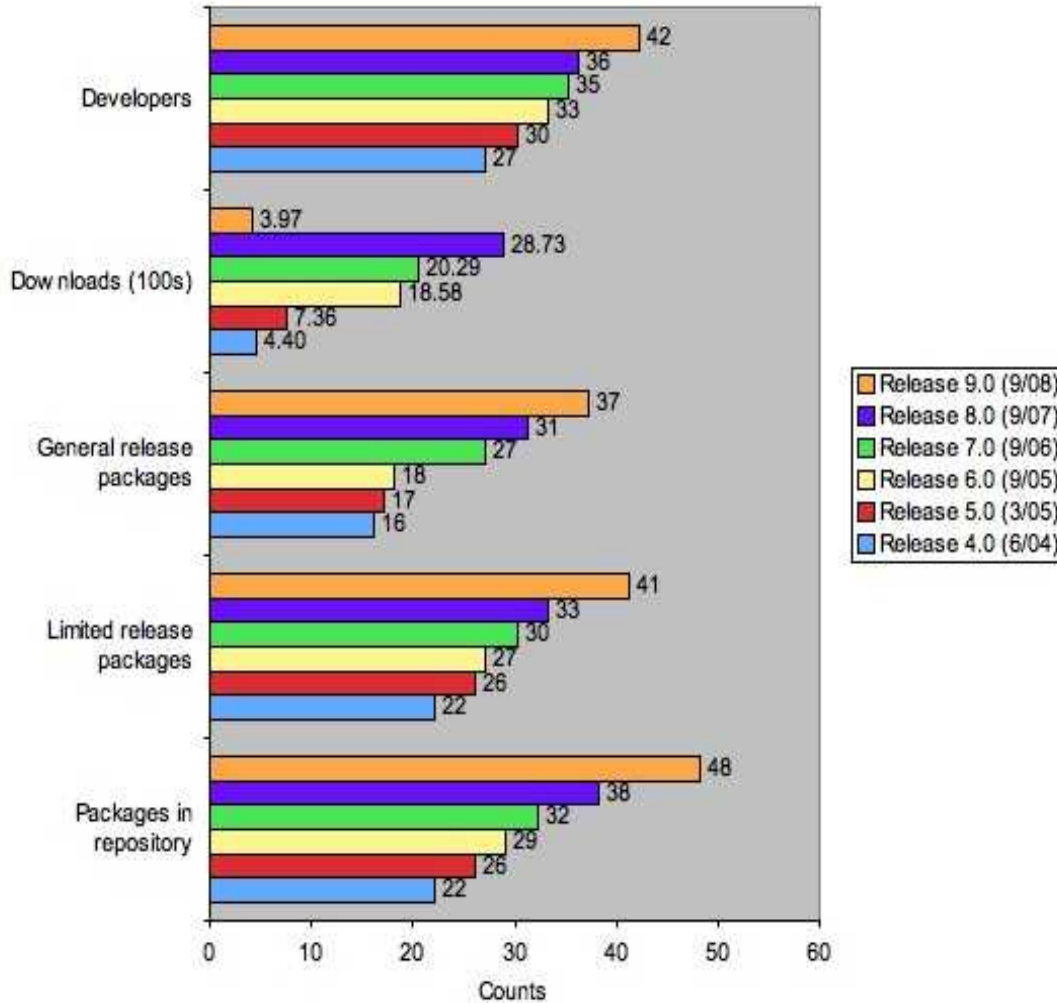
# Trilinos / PETSc Interoperability

(new in Trilinos 9.0)

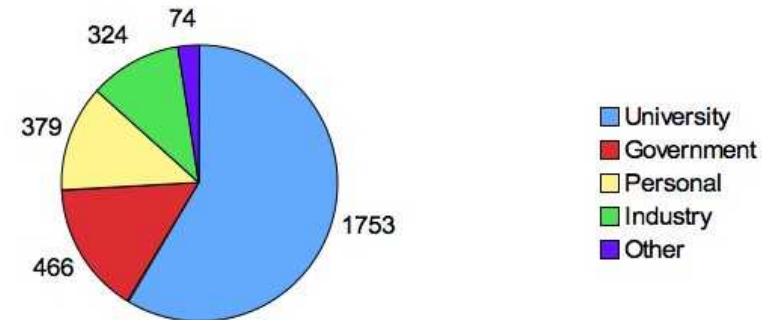
- `Epetra_PETScAIJMatrix` class
  - ◆ Derives from `Epetra_RowMatrix`
  - ◆ Wrapper for serial/parallel PETSc `aij` matrices
  - ◆ Utilizes callbacks for matrix-vector product, `getrow`
  - ◆ No deep copies
- Enables PETSc application to construct and call virtually any Trilinos preconditioner
- ML accepts fully constructed PETSc KSP solvers as smoothers
  - ◆ Fine grid only
  - ◆ Assumes fine grid matrix is really PETSc `aij` matrix
- Complements `Epetra_PETScAIJMatrix` class
  - ◆ For any smoother with `getrow` kernel, PETSc implementation should be \*much\* faster than Trilinos
  - ◆ For any smoother with matrix-vector product kernel, PETSc and Trilinos implementations should be comparable

# Trilinos Statistics

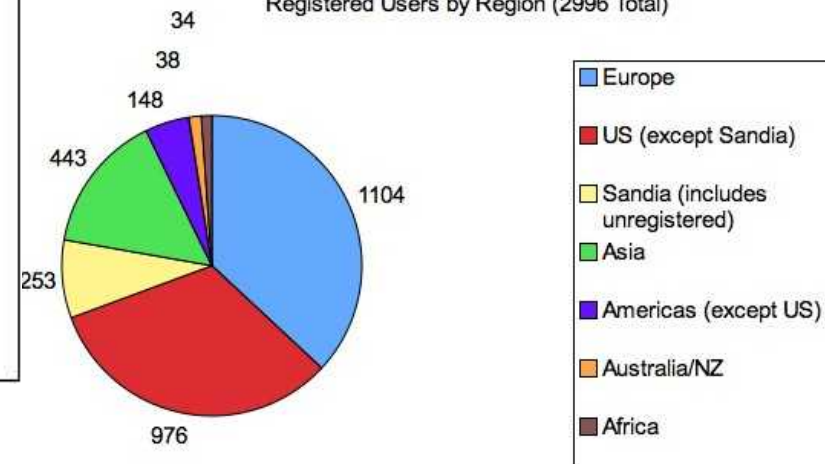
Trilinos Statistics by Release



Registered Users by Type (2996 Total)



Registered Users by Region (2996 Total)



# External Visibility



- Awards: R&D 100, HPC SW Challenge (04).
- [www.cfd-online.com](http://www.cfd-online.com):

## Trilinos ☺

A project led by Sandia to develop an object-oriented software framework for scientific computations.

This is an active project which includes several state-of-the-art solvers and lots of other nice things a software engineer writing CFD codes would find useful. Everything is freely available for download once you have registered. Very good!

- Industry Collaborations: Boeing, Goodyear, ExxonMobil, others.
- Linux distros: Debian, Mandriva, Ubuntu, Fedora.
- SciDAC TOPS-2 partner, IAA Algorithms (with ORNL).
- Over 8000 downloads since March 2005.
- Occasional unsolicited external endorsements such as the following two-person exchange on [mathforum.org](http://mathforum.org):
  - > The consensus seems to be that OO has little, if anything, to offer
  - > (except bloat) to numerical computing.I would completely disagree. A good example of using OO in numerics is Trilinos: <http://software.sandia.gov/trilinos/>



# Trilinos Availability / Information

- Trilinos and related packages are available via LGPL.
- Current release (8.0) is “click release”. Unlimited availability.
  - ◆ 1800+ Downloads since 3/05 (not including internal Sandia users).
  - ◆ 750 registered users:
    - 57% university, 11% industry, 20% gov’t.
    - 35% European, 35% US, 10% Asian.
- Trilinos Release 9: September 2008.
- Trilinos Awards:
  - ◆ 2004 R&D 100 Award.
  - ◆ SC2004 HPC Software Challenge Award.
  - ◆ Sandia Team Employee Recognition Award.
  - ◆ Lockheed-Martin Nova Award Nominee.
- More information:
  - ◆ <http://trilinos.sandia.gov>
- 6th Annual Trilinos User Group Meeting in October 2008 @ SNL
  - ◆ talks available for download