



Belos: Next-Generation Iterative Solvers

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What is Belos?

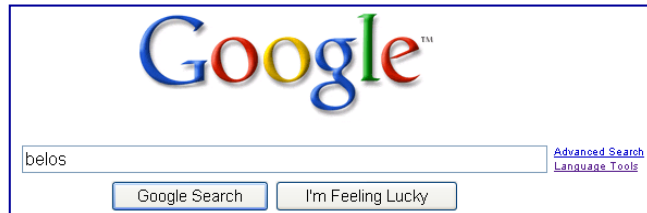
- Solve $Ax=b$ where A large, sparse. Matrix-free.
- Next-generation linear solver library (templated C++)
- Provide generic solver framework solution of large-scale linear systems
- Belos provides solvers for:
 - ♦ Single RHS: $Ax = b$
 - ♦ Multiple RHS (available simultaneously): $AX = B$
 - ♦ Multiple RHS (available sequentially): $Ax_i = b_i, i=1,\dots,k$
 - ♦ Sequential Linear systems: $A_i x_i = b_i, i=1,\dots,k$
- Leverage research advances of solver community:
 - ♦ Block methods: block GMRES [Vital], block CG/BICG [O’Leary]
 - ♦ “Seed” solvers: hybrid GMRES [Nachtigal, et al.]
 - ♦ “Recycling” solvers for sequences of linear systems [Parks, et al.]
 - ♦ Restarting, orthogonalization techniques
- Belos solver components are: interoperable, extensible, reusable
- **Block linear solvers → Better multicore performance**
- **Multiprecision capability (via Tpetra)**



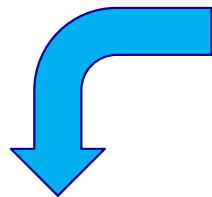
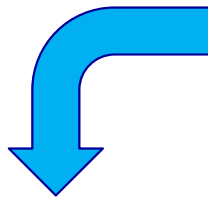
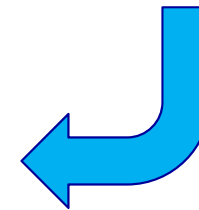
Solvers

- Hermitian Systems ($A = A^H$)
 - ◆ Block CG
 - ◆ Pseudo-Block CG (Perform single-vector algorithm simultaneously)
 - ◆ RCG (Recycling Conjugate Gradients) New!
 - ◆ PCPG (Projected CG)
- Non-Hermitian System ($A \neq A^H$)
 - ◆ Block GMRES
 - ◆ Pseudo-Block GMRES (Perform single-vector algorithm simultaneously)
 - ◆ Block FGMRES (Variable preconditioner)
 - ◆ Hybrid GMRES
 - ◆ TFQMR New!
 - ◆ GCRODR (Recycling GMRES)

Belos: What's in a name?



[Belus - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)
Belus in Latin or **Belos** in Greek transliteration is one of ... Belus (Babylonian): the Greek Zeus **Belos** and Latin Jupiter Belus as translations of the ...
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Ba'al Zebûb
Main article: Beelzebub
Another version of the demon Baal is *Beelzebub*, or more accurately Ba'al Zebûb or Ba'al Z^əbûb (Hebrew בעל זבוב, Ba'al zvuḅ), who was originally the name of a deity worshipped in the Philistine city of Ekron. Ba'al Zebûb might mean 'Lord of Zebûb', referring to an unknown place named Zebûb, a pun with 'Lord of flies', *zebûb* being a Hebrew collective noun meaning 'fly'. This may mean that the Hebrews were derogating the god of their enemy. Later, Christian writings referred to Ba'al Zebûb as a demon or devil, often interchanged with **Beelzebub**. Either form may appear as an alternate name for Satan or

Let's just stick to the linear algebra...



Belos Structure

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OutputManager Class

Example (Step #1 – Initialize System)

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    MPI_Init(&argc,&argv);
    Epetra_MpiComm Comm(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    int MyPID = Comm.MyPID();

    typedef double                ST;
    typedef Teuchos::ScalarTraits<ST> SCT;
    typedef SCT::magnitudeType   MT;
    typedef Epetra_MultiVector   MV;
    typedef Epetra_Operator      OP;
    typedef Belos::MultiVecTraits<ST,MV> MVT;
    typedef Belos::OperatorTraits<ST,MV,OP> OPT;

    using Teuchos::ParameterList;
    using Teuchos::RCP;
    using Teuchos::rcp;

    // Get the problem
    std::string filename("orsirr1.hb");
    RCP<Epetra_Map> Map;
    RCP<Epetra_CrsMatrix> A;
    RCP<Epetra_MultiVector> B, X;
    RCP<Epetra_Vector> vecB, vecX;
    EpetraExt::readEpetraLinearSystem(filename, Comm, &A, &Map, &vecX, &vecB);
    X = Teuchos::rcp_implicit_cast<Epetra_MultiVector>(vecX);
    B = Teuchos::rcp_implicit_cast<Epetra_MultiVector>(vecB);
}
```

Parameters for
Templates

Get linear
system from
disk

[Trilinos/packages/belos/epetra/example/BlockGmres/BlockGmresEpetraExFile.cpp](#)

Example (Step #2 – Solver Params)

```
bool verbose = false, debug = false, proc_verbose = false;
int frequency = -1;          // frequency of status test output.
int blocksize = 1;          // blocksize
int numrhs = 1;             // number of right-hand sides to solve for
int maxiters = 100;         // maximum number of iterations allowed
int maxsubspace = 50;       // maximum number of blocks
int maxrestarts = 15;       // number of restarts allowed
MT tol = 1.0e-5;           // relative residual tolerance

const int NumGlobalElements = B->GlobalLength();

ParameterList beloSList;
beloSList.set( "Num Blocks", maxsubspace);           // Maximum number of blocks in Krylov
  factorization
beloSList.set( "Block Size", blocksize );           // Blocksize to be used by iterative solver
beloSList.set( "Maximum Iterations", maxiters );    // Maximum number of iterations allowed
beloSList.set( "Maximum Restarts", maxrestarts );    // Maximum number of restarts allowed
beloSList.set( "Convergence Tolerance", tol );      // Relative convergence tolerance requested
int verbosity = Belos::Errors + Belos::Warnings;
if (verbose) {
  verbosity += Belos::TimingDetails + Belos::StatusTestDetails;
  if (frequency > 0)
    beloSList.set( "Output Frequency", frequency );
}
if (debug) {
  verbosity += Belos::Debug;
}
beloSList.set( "Verbosity", verbosity );
```

Solver
Parameters

ParameterList for
SolverManager

Example (Step #3 – Solve)

```
// Construct linear problem instance.
Belos::LinearProblem<double,MV,OP> problem( A, X, B );
bool set = problem.setProblem();
if (set == false) {
    std::cout << std::endl << "ERROR:  Belos::LinearProblem failed to
    set up correctly!" << std::endl;
    return -1;
}
```

LinearProblem
Object

Template Parameters

```
// Start block GMRES iteration
Belos::OutputManager<double> My_OM();
// Create solver manager.
RCP< Belos::SolverManager<double,MV,OP> > newSolver =
    rcp( new Belos::BlockGmresSolMgr<double,MV,OP>(rcp(&problem,false), rcp(&belosList,false)));
// Solve
Belos::ReturnType ret = newSolver->solve();
if (ret!=Belos::Converged) {
    std::cout << std::endl << "ERROR:  Belos did not converge!" << std::endl;
    return -1;
}
std::cout << std::endl << "SUCCESS:  Belos converged!" << std::endl;
return 0;
```

SolverManager Object



Spotlight on Recycling





Sequences of Linear Systems

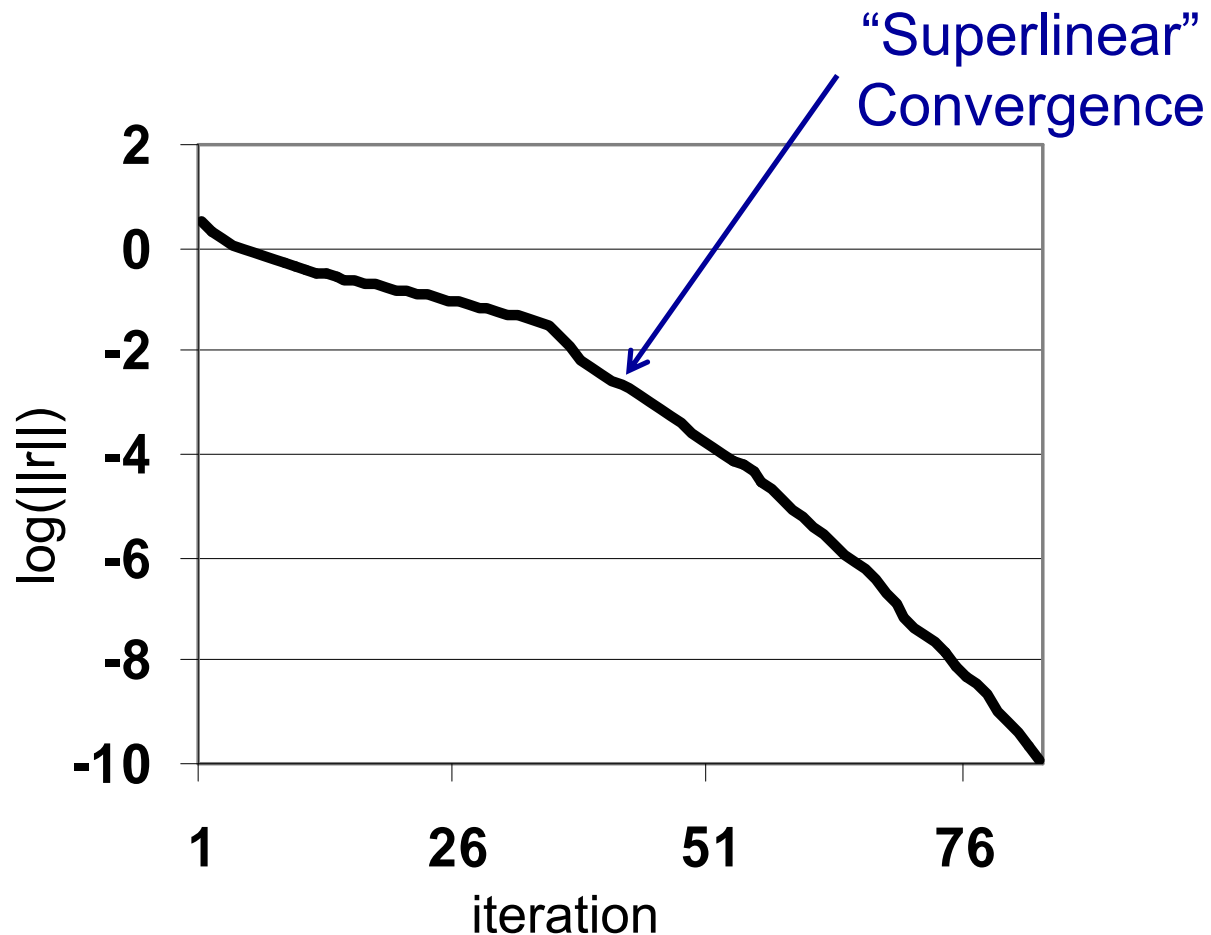
- Consider sequence of linear systems

$$\mathbf{A}^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{b}^{(i)} \quad \mathbf{i}=1,2,3,\dots$$

- Applications:
 - ◆ Newton/Broyden method for nonlinear equations
 - ◆ Materials science and computational physics
 - ◆ Transient circuit simulation
 - ◆ Crack propagation
 - ◆ Optical tomography
 - ◆ Topology optimization
 - ◆ Large-scale fracture in disordered materials
 - ◆ Electronic structure calculations
 - ◆ Stochastic finite element methods
- Iterative (Krylov) methods build search space and select optimal solution from that space
- **Building search space is dominant cost**
- For sequences of systems, get fast convergence rate and good initial guess immediately by **recycling** selected search spaces from previous systems

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- Typically, dominant subspace exists such that almost any Krylov space (from any starting vector) has large components in that space (why restarting is bad)
- Optimality derives from orthogonal projection
 - ◆ new search directions should be far from this dominant subspace for fast convergence
- If such a dominant subspace persists (approximately) from one system to the next, it can be recycled
 - ◆ Typically true when changes to problem are small and/or highly localized

Matrix	Off-the-shelf solver	Recycling Solver	Release
General	GMRES	GCRODR	Trilinos 8
SPD	CG	Recycling CG (RCG)	Trilinos 10
Symmetric Indefinite	MINRES	Recycling MINRES (RMINRES)	N/A



Deflation

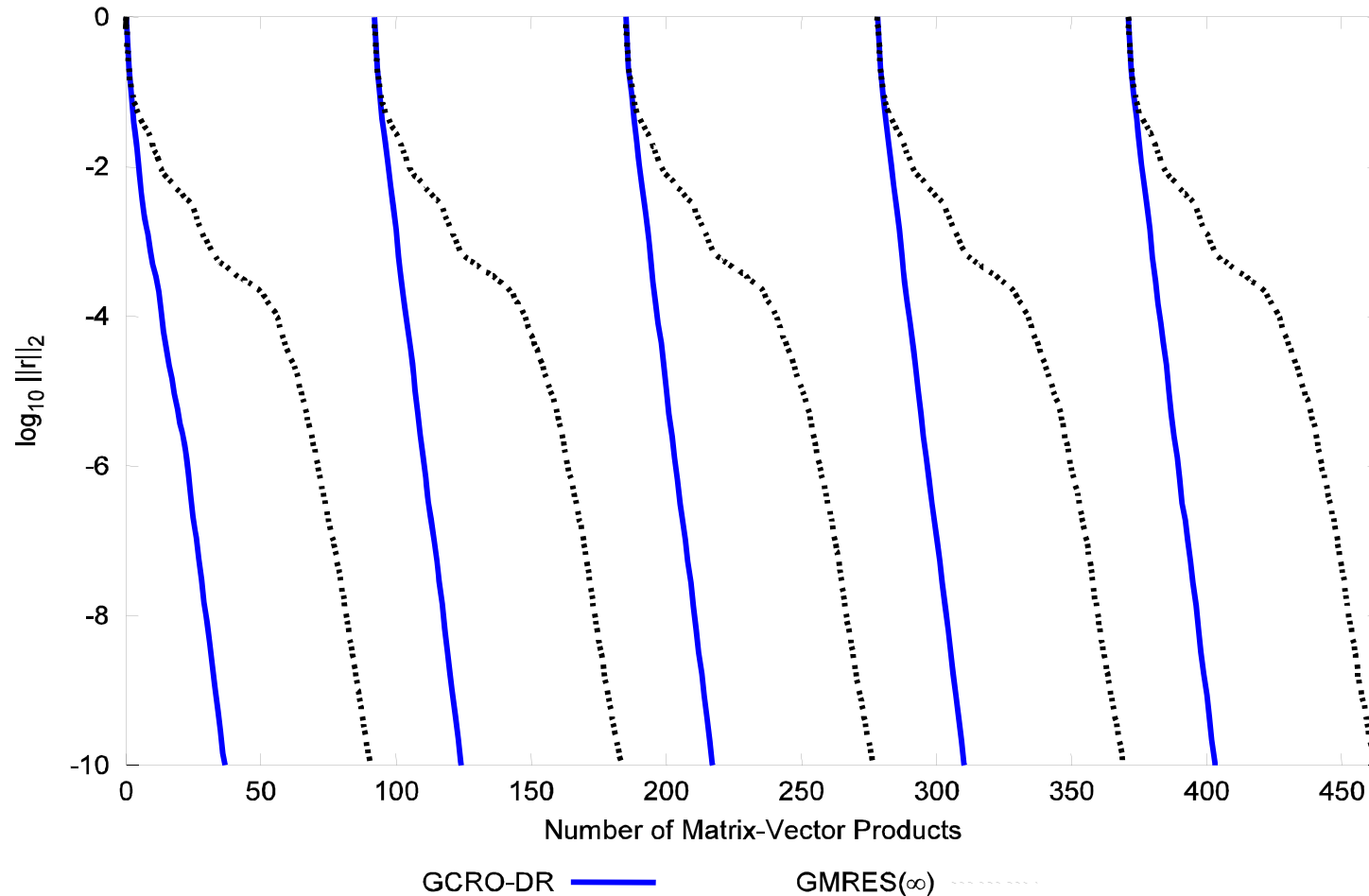
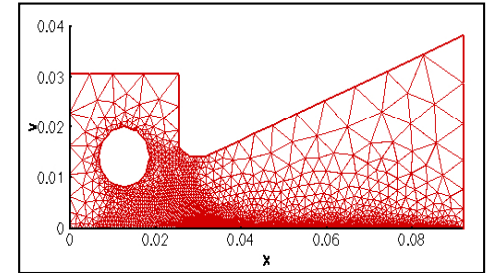
- Invariant subspace associated with small eigenvalues delays convergence
- Corresponds to smooth modes that change little for small localized changes in the problem
- Remove them to improve convergence!
 - ◆ Recycle space = approximate eigenspace

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z \in \mathbf{K}^m(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{r}_0)} \|\mathbf{r}_0 - \mathbf{A}z\|_2 &= \min_{\mathbf{P}_m(\mathbf{0})=1} \|\mathbf{p}_m(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{r}_0\|_2 \\ &\leq \kappa(\mathbf{V}) \|\mathbf{r}_0\|_2 \min_{\mathbf{P}_m(\mathbf{0})=1} \max_{\lambda \in \Lambda(\mathbf{A})} |\mathbf{p}_m(\lambda)| \end{aligned}$$

- If $\kappa(\mathbf{V})$ is not large (normality assumption) we can improve bound by removing select eigenvalues

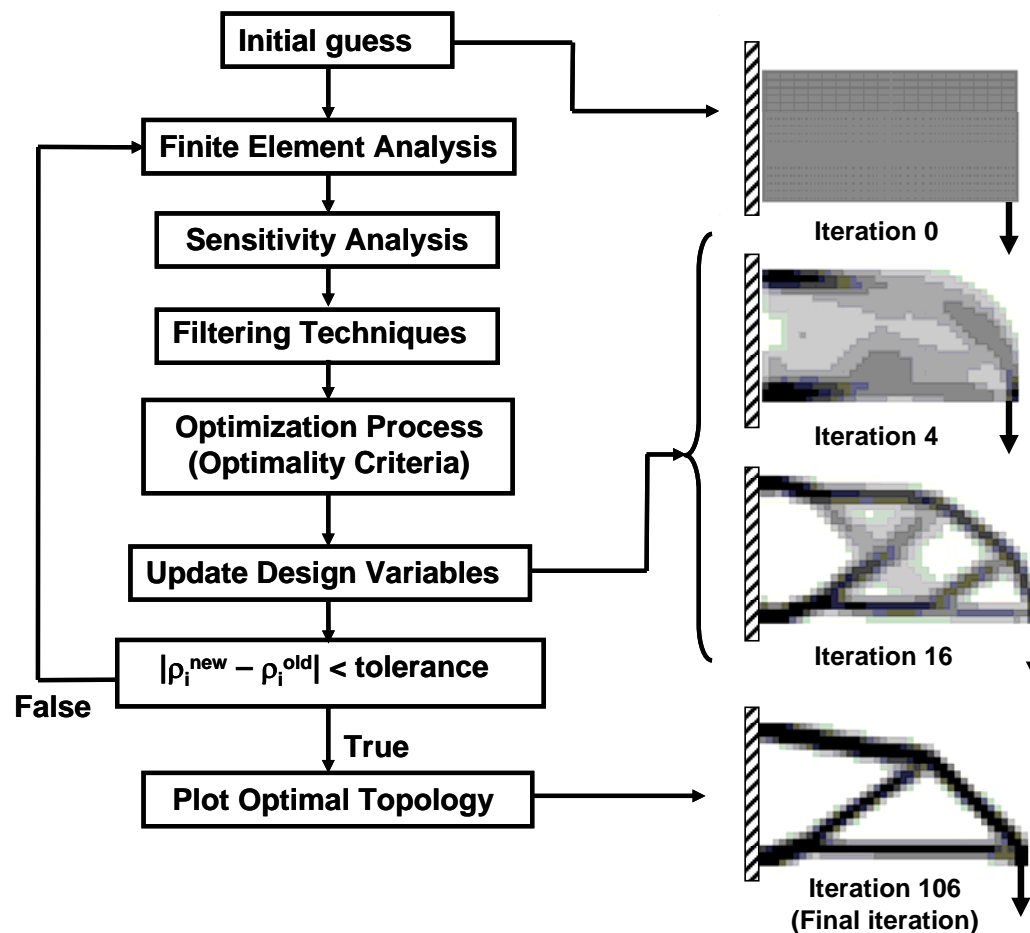
Typical Convergence with Recycling

- IC(0) preconditioner
- GMRES – full recurrence
- All Others – Max subspace size 40



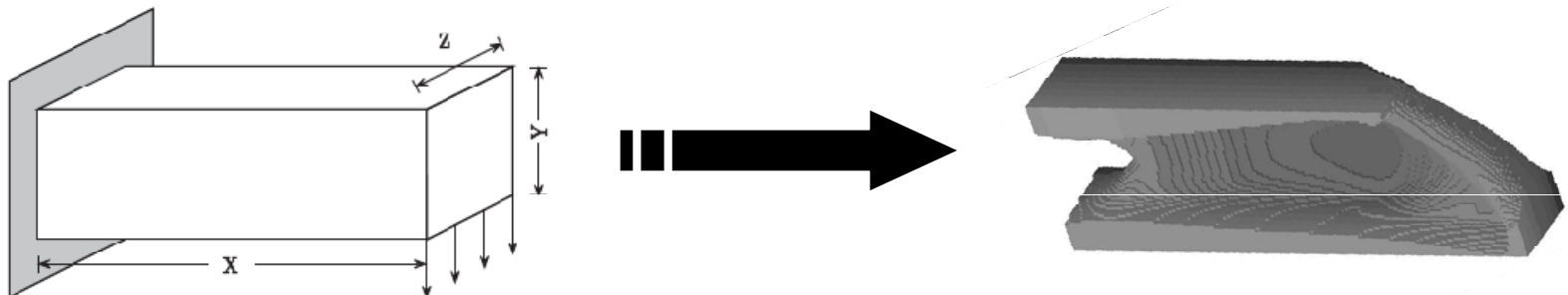
Example #1 Topology Optimization*

- Optimize material distribution, ρ , in design domain
- Minimize compliance $u^T K(\rho)u$, where $K(\rho)u=f$



*S. Wang, E. de Sturler, and G. H. Paulino, *Large-scale topology optimization using preconditioned Krylov subspace methods with recycling*, International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering, Vol. 69, Issue 12, pp. 2441—2468, 2007.

Example #1: Topology Optimization



Size	Num. DOFs	Direct Solve Time	Recycling Solve Time
Small	9,360	0.96	1.68
Medium	107,184	179.30	50.41
Large	1,010,160	26154.00	1196.30

Recycling Solve = RMINRES + IC(0) PC

Direct Solve = multifrontal, supernodal Cholesky factorization from TAUCS

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Example #2 Stochastic PDEs*

- Stochastic elliptic equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \omega)) \nabla \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, \omega) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{D}, \omega \in \Omega \\ \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, \omega) &= \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{x} \in \partial \mathbf{D}, \omega \in \Omega \end{aligned}$$

- KL expansion + double orthogonal basis + discretization
 - ◆ Separate deterministic and stochastic components
 - ◆ Yield sequence of uncoupled equations

$$\mathbf{A}^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{b}^{(i)} \quad \mathbf{i}=1,2,3,\dots$$

- Preprocess for recycling Krylov solver
 - ◆ Use reordering scheme to minimize change in spectra of linear system

Example #2 Stochastic PDEs*

- Scheme #1: No Krylov recycling
- Scheme #4: Recycle Krylov spaces using reordering
- Many systems require zero iterations!

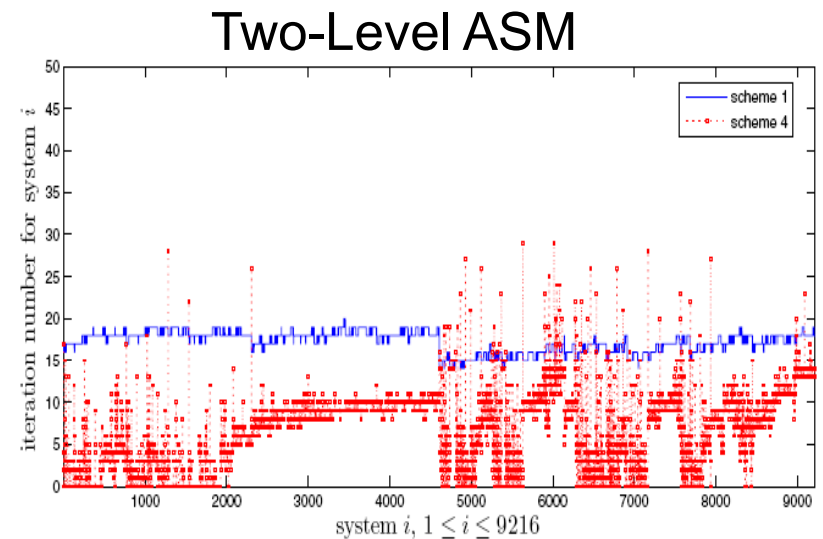
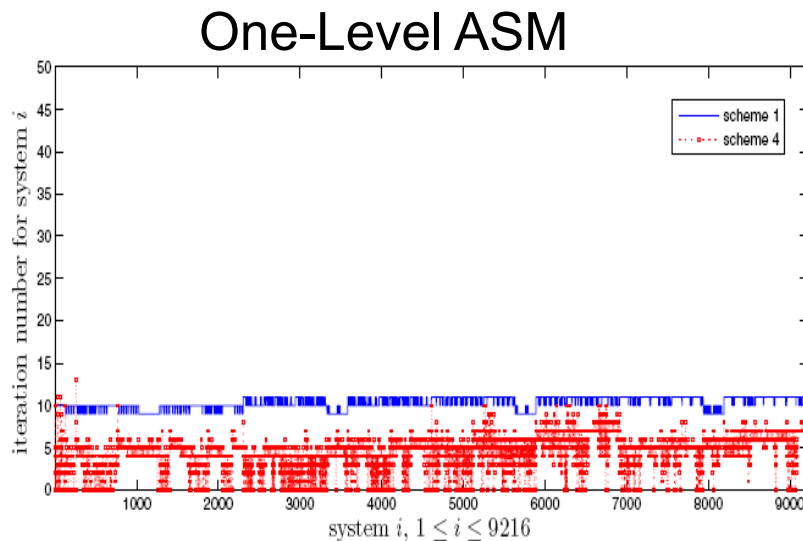
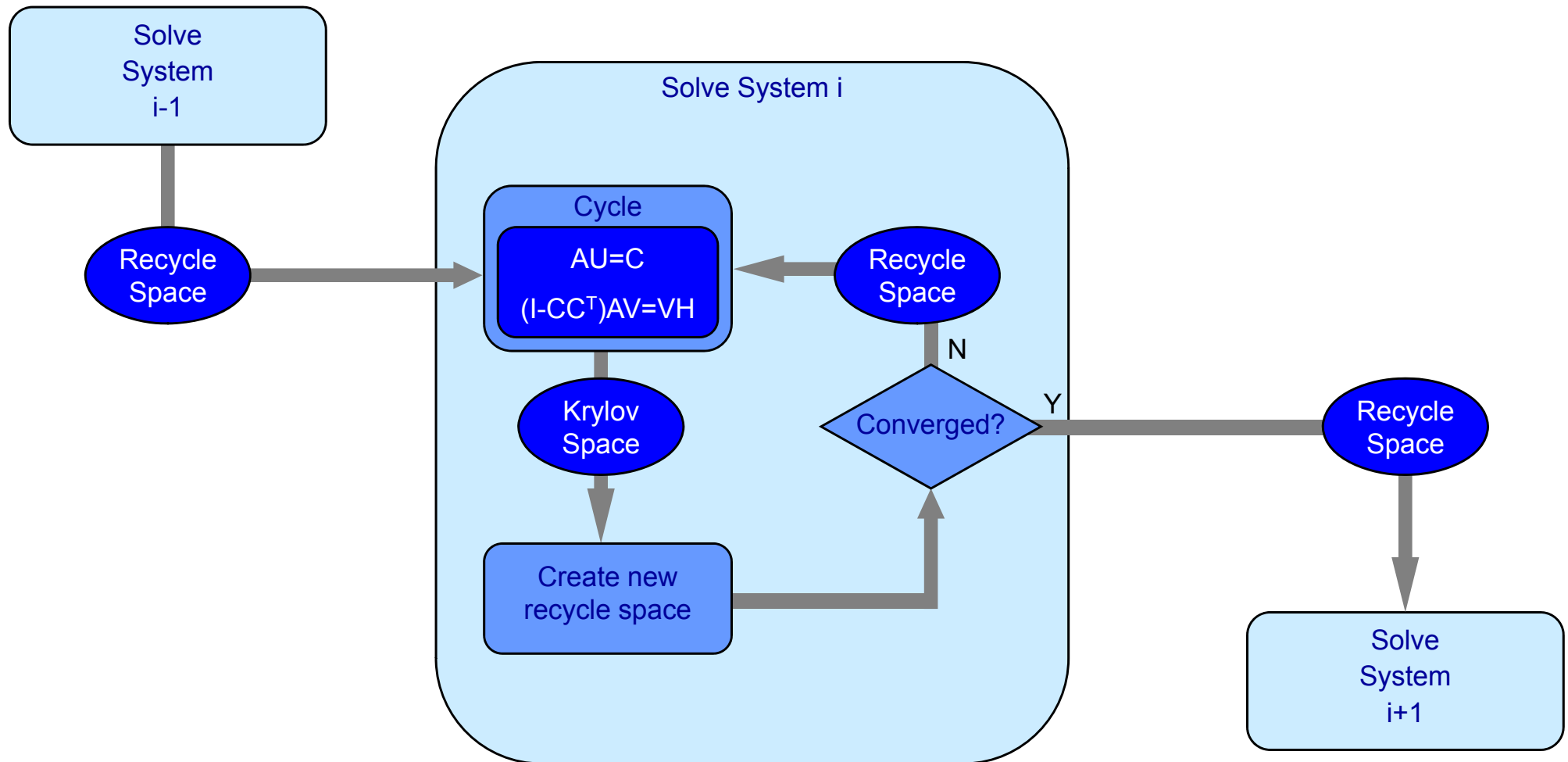


TABLE 4.1
Running time for different schemes and preconditioning (seconds).

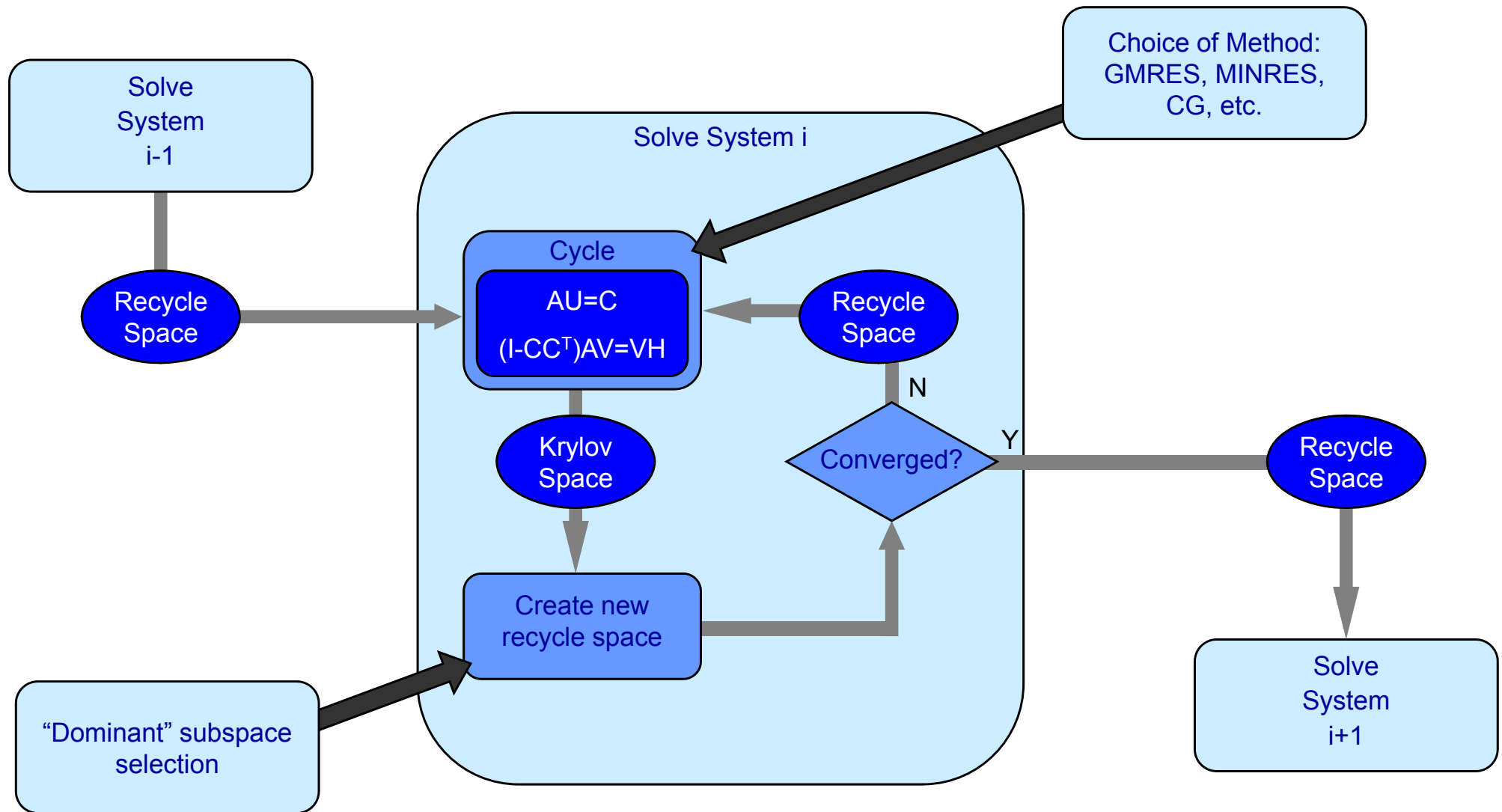
Preconditioner	Scheme			
	1	2	3	4
One-level ASM	12030	7693	4205	3882
Two-level ASM	20980	14130	10740	8476

*C. Jin, X-C. Cai, and C. Li, *Parallel Domain Decomposition Methods for Stochastic Elliptic Equations*, SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing, Vol. 29, Issue 5, pp. 2069—2114, 2007.

Structure of Recycling Solver



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Summary

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- Belos contains these solvers:
 - Block CG, Pseudo-Block CG, RCG, PCPG, Block GMRES, Pseudo-Block GMRES, Block FGMRES, Hybrid GMRES, TFQMR, GCRODR
- Check out the Trilinos Tutorial:
<http://trilinos.sandia.gov/Trilinos10.0Tutorial.pdf>
- See Belos website for more:
<http://trilinos.sandia.gov/packages/belos>