

Stopping criteria for coarsest grid solver in multigrid V-cycle method

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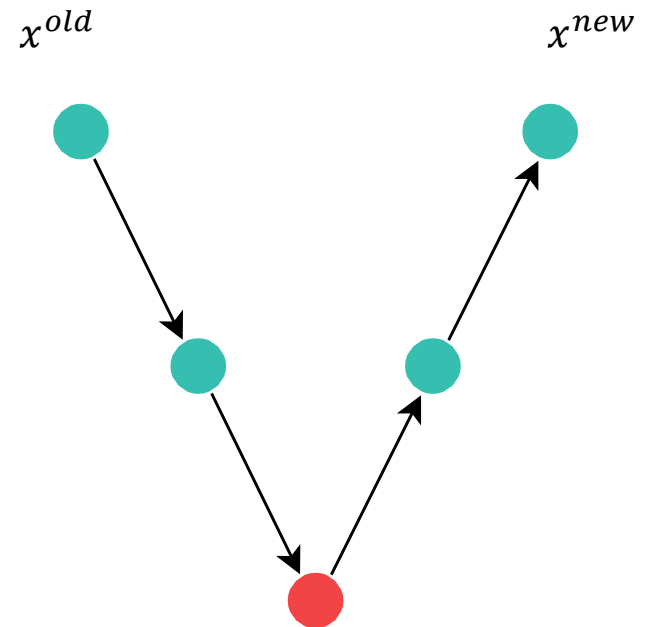
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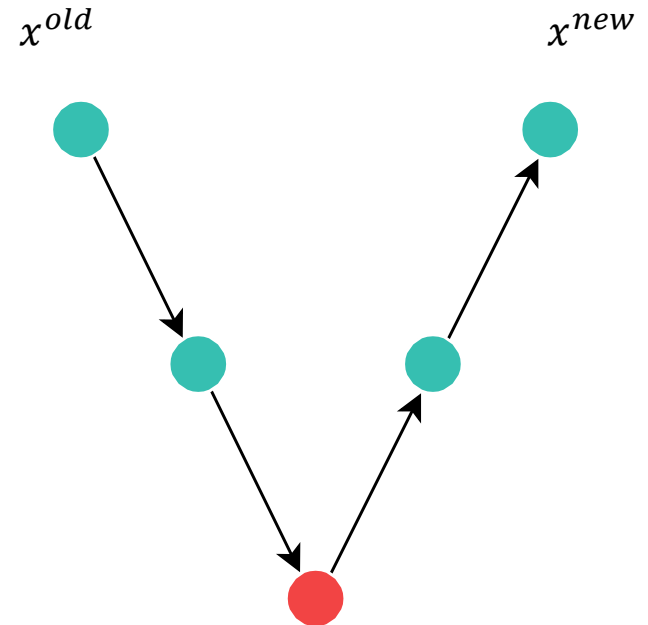
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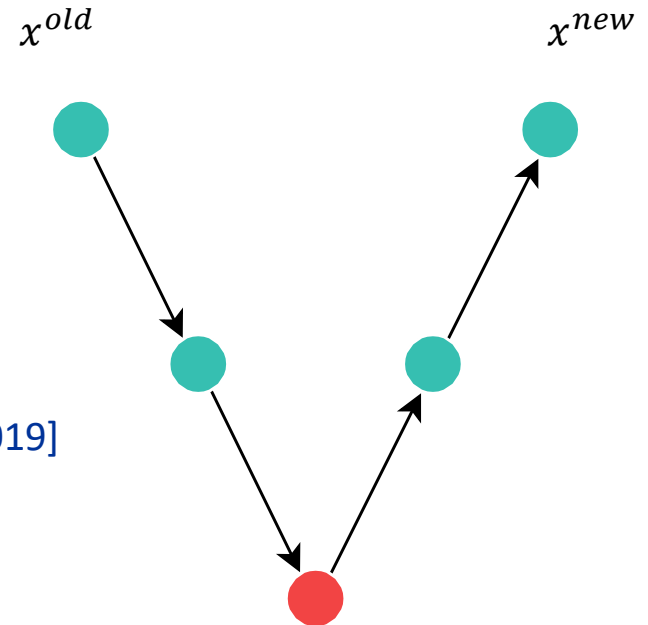
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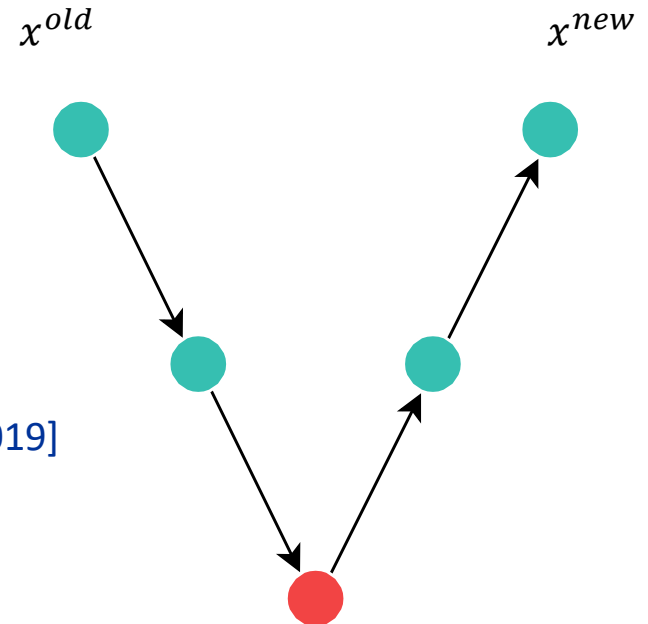
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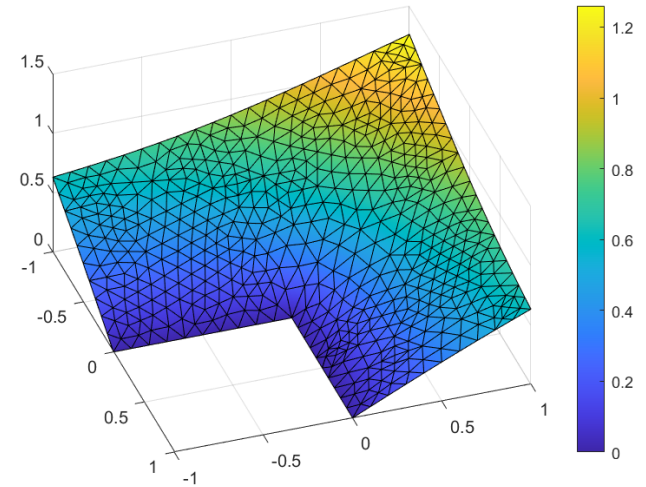
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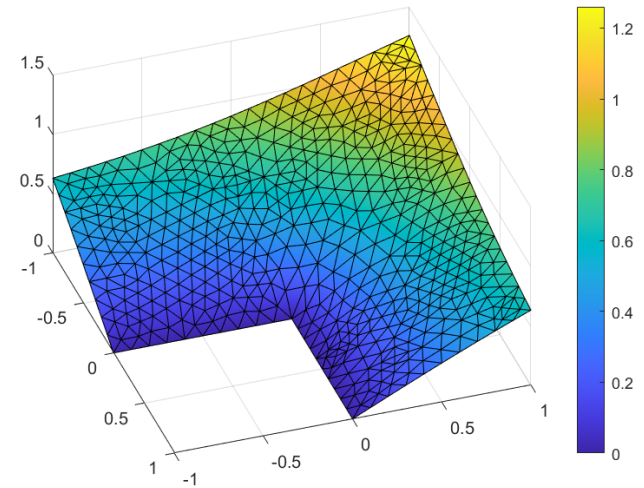
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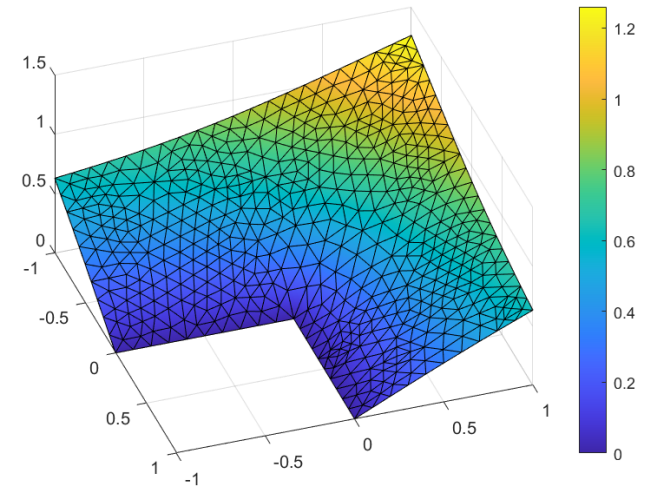
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V-cycle method

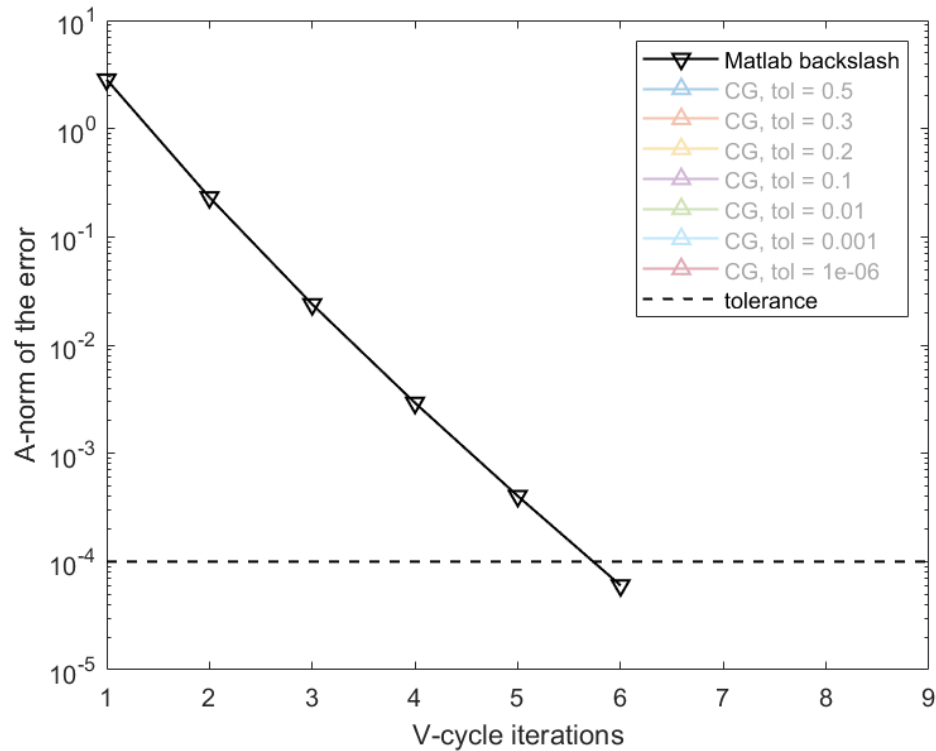
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- smoothing – damped Jacobi method ($\omega = 2/3$)
- zero initial approximation



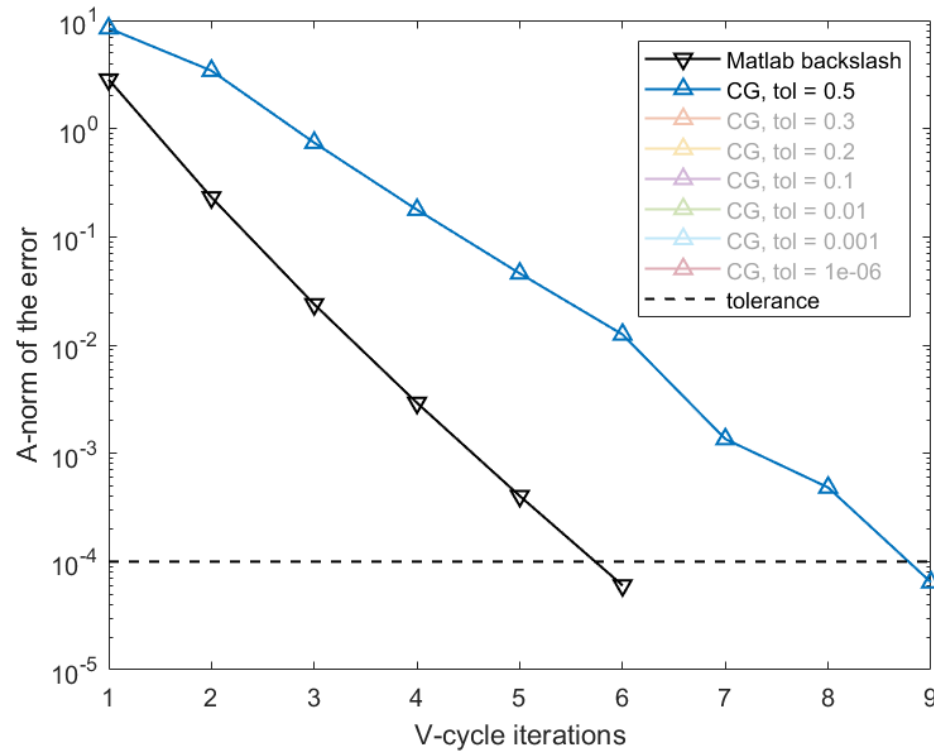
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number of smoothing iterations		
level	pre	post
4	3	3
3	4	4
2	5	5

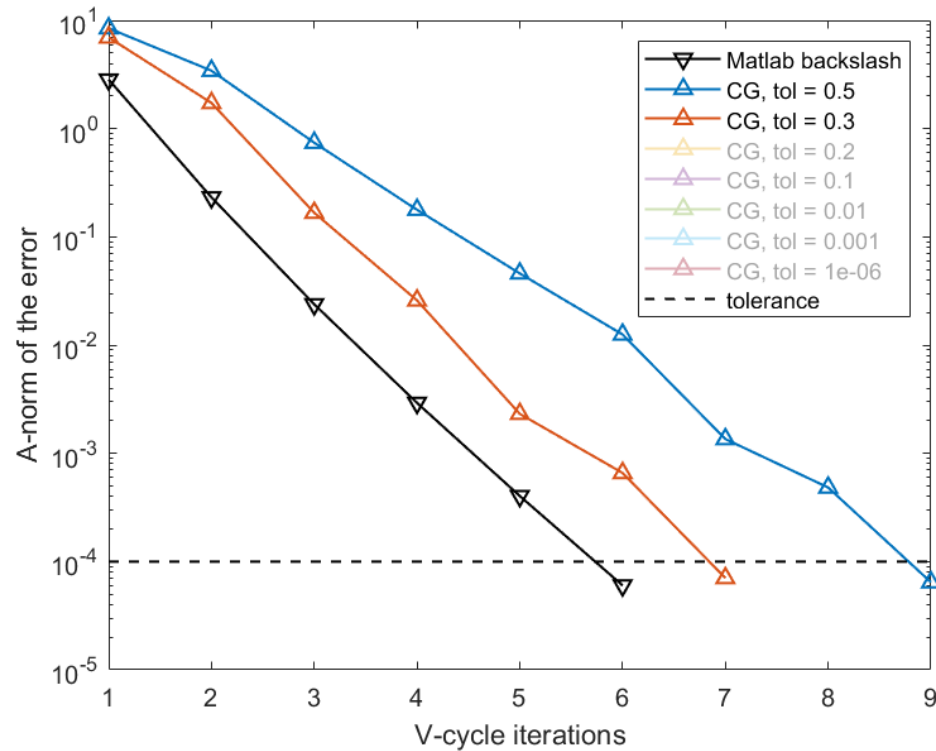
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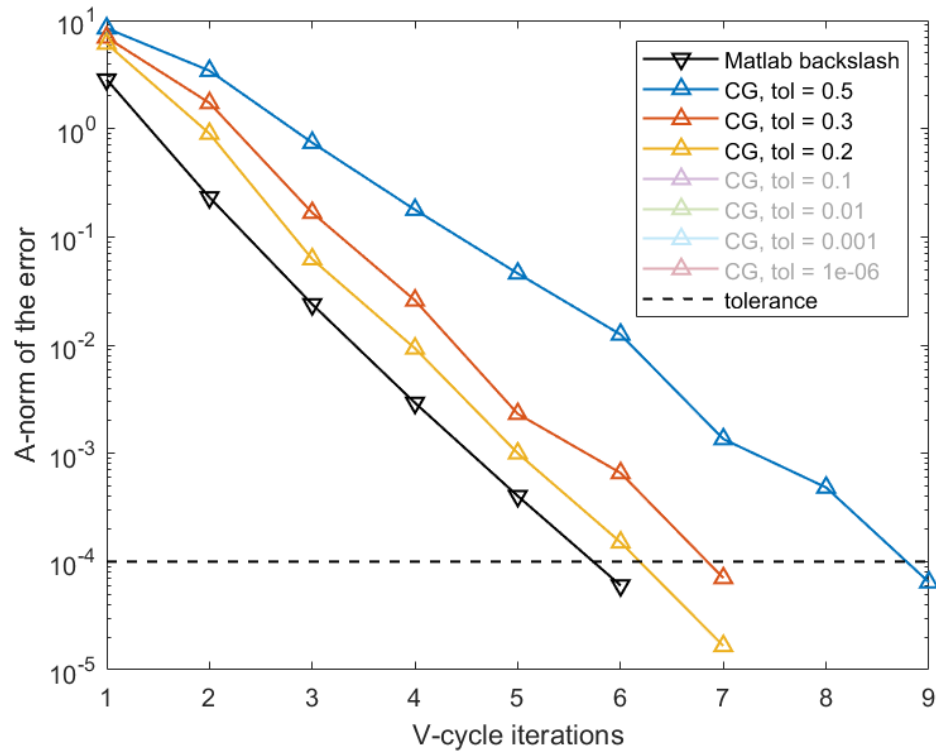
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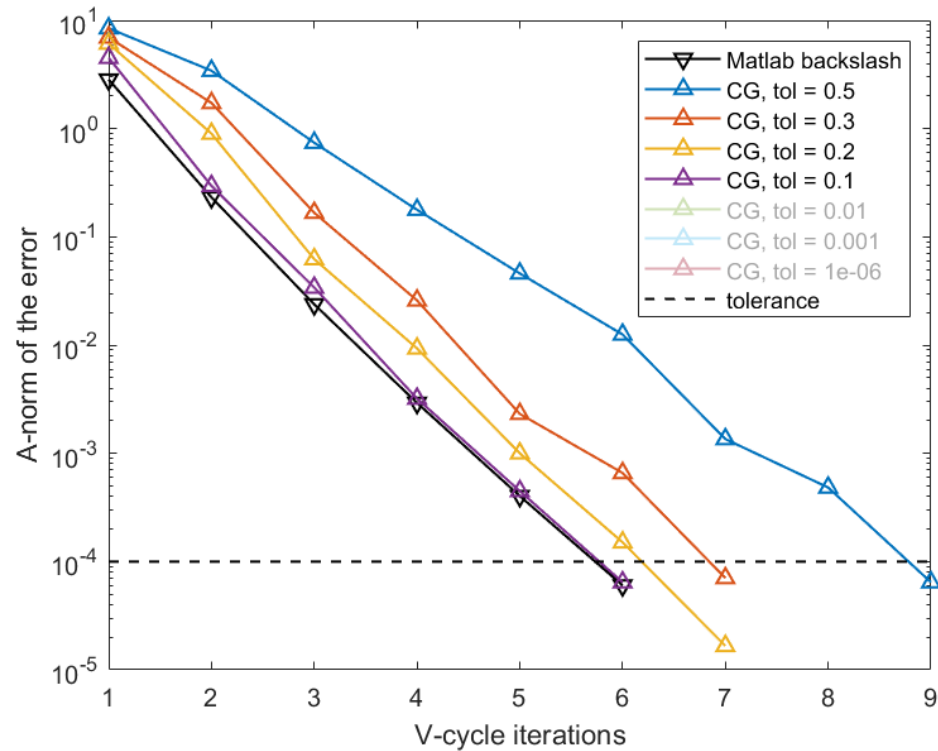
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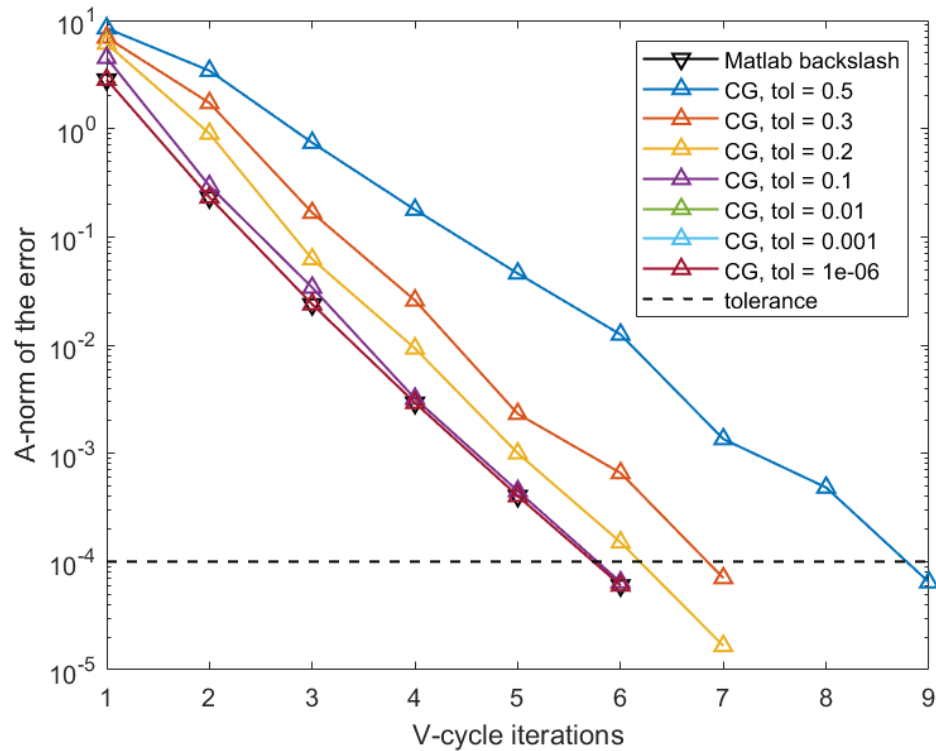
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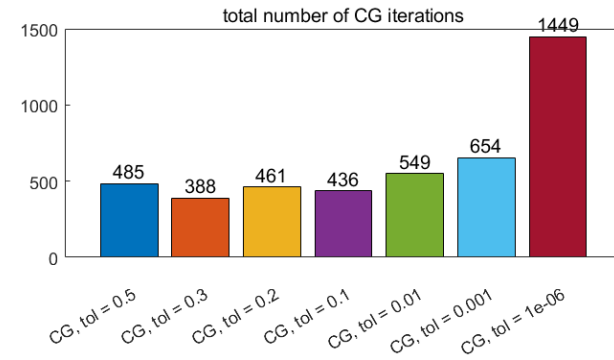
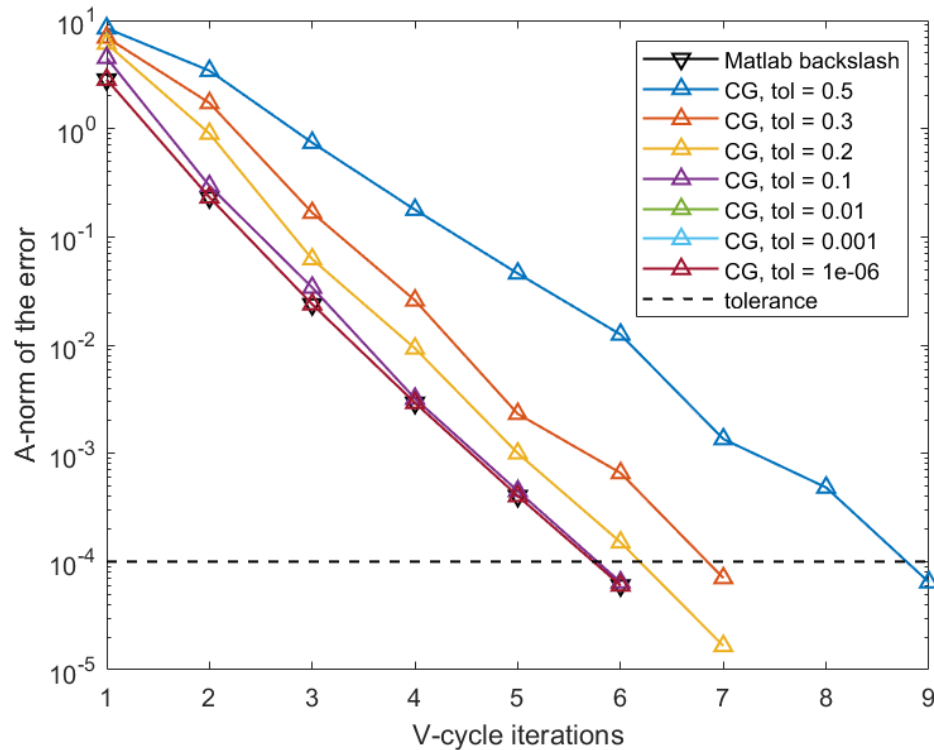
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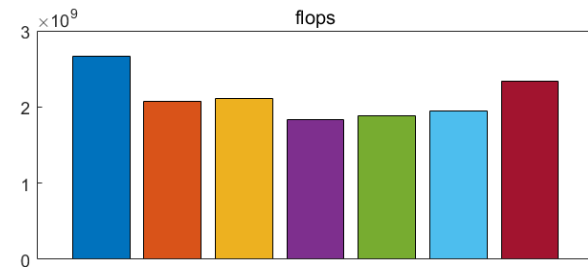
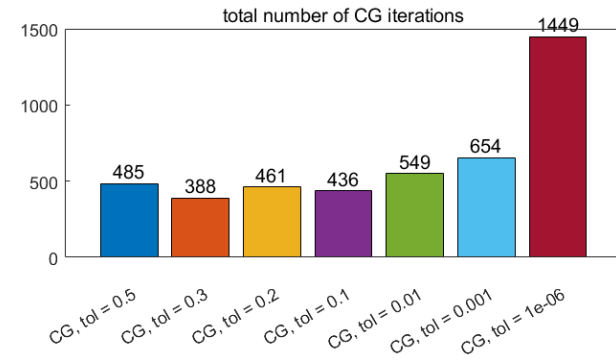
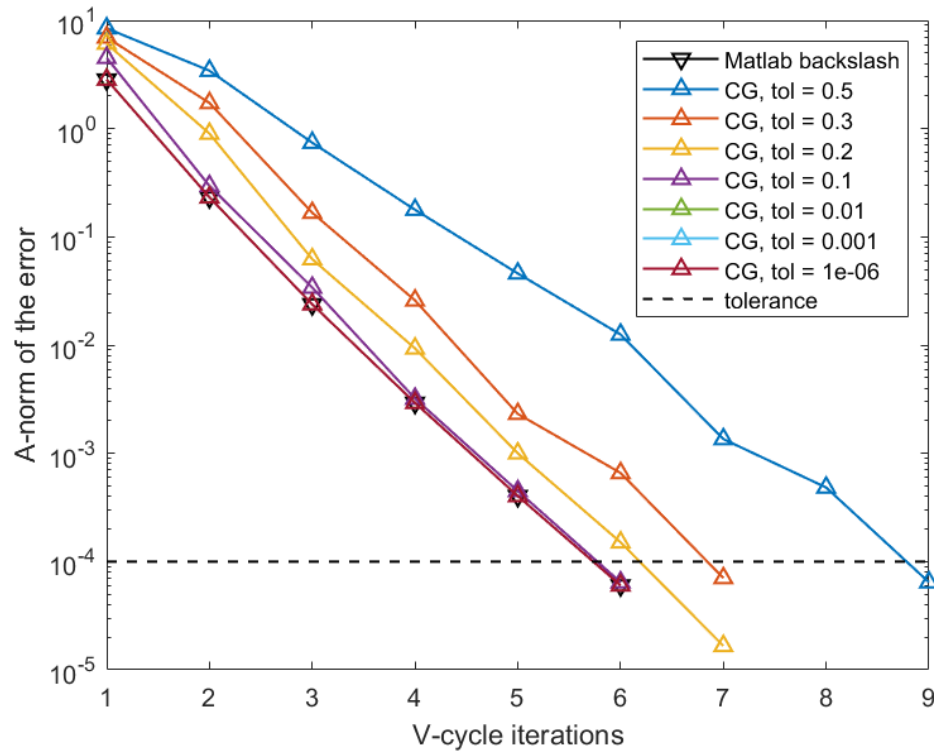
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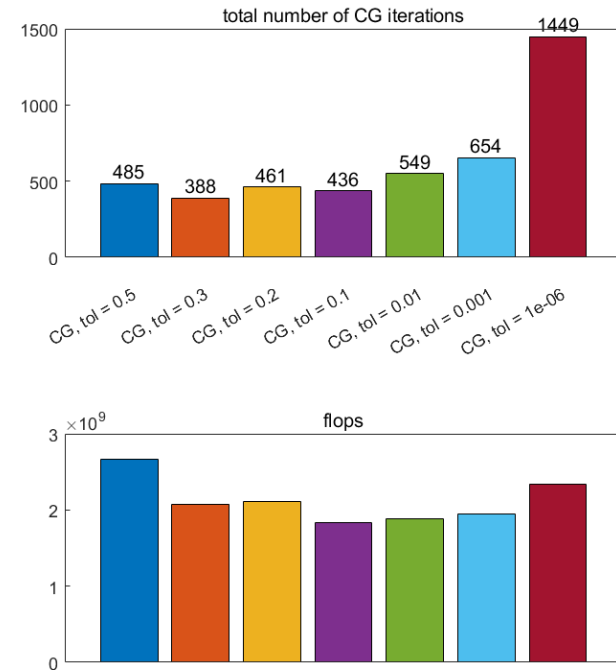
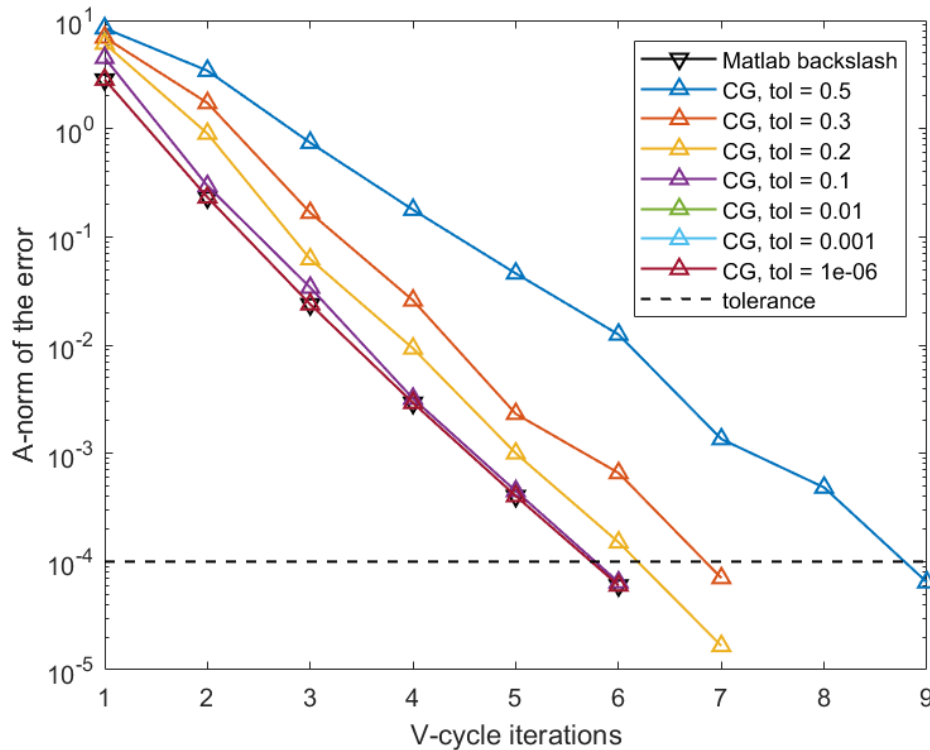
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- Can we analytically describe how the relative tolerance affects the rate of convergence?
- Can we define a stopping criterion which would yield that the computed approximation is close to the one computed by V-cycle with exact solver and we do the fewest number of coarse grid iterations?

Delay in convergence rate after one V-cycle

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- A - symmetric positive definite matrix
- V-cycle method, $R_j = P_j^T$, $A_j = P_j^T A P_j$
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Let x_{ex}^{new} be the approximation computed by V-cycle with exact solver.

Given $\gamma \in (0,1)$, let x_{inex}^{new} be an approximation computed by V-cycle with inexact solver, which is stopped when

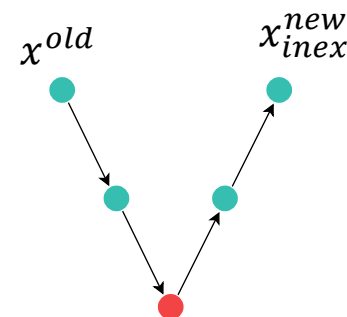
$$\|y_0 - \tilde{y}_0\|_{A_0} \leq \gamma \cdot \|x - x^{old}\|_A.$$

Then

$$\frac{\|x - x_{inex}^{new}\|_A}{\|x - x^{old}\|_A} \leq \frac{\|x - x_{ex}^{new}\|_A}{\|x - x^{old}\|_A} + \gamma,$$

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Proof inspired by [\[van den Eshof and Sleijpen, 2004\]](#), [\[McCormick et al., 2020\]](#).

$$x_{inex}^{new} = x_{ex}^{new} - \left(\prod_{j=0}^{J-1} (I_{J-j} - M_{J-j} A_{J-j}) P_{J-j-1}^{J-j} \right) (y_0 - \tilde{y}_0)$$

Delay in convergence rate after n V-cycles

Theorem

Let $x_{ex}^{(n)}$ be the approximation computed after n V-cycles with exact solver. Assume that the convergence rate of V-cycle with exact solver is bounded by $\rho \in (0,1)$, i.e.,

$$\frac{\|x - x_{ex}^{new}\|_A}{\|x - x^{old}\|_A} \leq \rho \quad \forall x^{old}.$$

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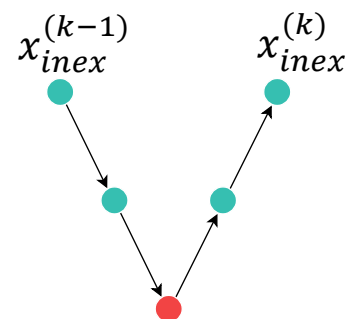
$$\|y_0^{(k)} - \tilde{y}_0^{(k)}\|_{A_0} \leq \gamma \cdot \|x - x_{inex}^{(k-1)}\|_A.$$

Then

$$\|x - x_{inex}^{(n)}\|_A \leq (\rho + \gamma)^n \|x - x^{(0)}\|_A,$$

$$\|x_{ex}^{(n)} - x_{inex}^{(n)}\|_A \leq ((\rho + \gamma)^n - \rho^n) \|x - x^{(0)}\|_A.$$

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Find $y_0^{(k)}$: $A_0 y_0^{(k)} = f_0^{(k)}$,

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Residual based stopping criteria

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2. Relative residual

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3. Multilevel error estimate + CG estimate (ML + CG)

$$\|y_0 - \tilde{y}_0\|_{A_0} \leq \theta_{CG}(\tilde{y}_0) = \alpha$$

$$\beta = \eta_{ML}(x^{old}) \leq \|x - x^{old}\|_A$$

Stop the solver when

$$\theta_{CG}(\tilde{y}_0) \leq \gamma \cdot \eta_{ML}(x^{old})$$

Meurant, Papež and Tichý, Accurate error estimation in CG, Numerical Algorithms, Numerical Algorithms, Volume 88, pp. 1337-1359, 2021.

Rüde, Mathematical and computational techniques for multilevel adaptive methods, SIAM, Philadelphia, PA, 1993.

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Estimated efficiency for our numerical experiment

Criterion with A-norms of the errors	0.95
1. Residual based	0.024
2. Relative residual	0.00076
3. ML + CG estimate	0.26

Heuristic strategy for choosing the convergence rate delay γ

$$\left\| x_{ex}^{(n)} - x_{inex}^{(n)} \right\|_A \leq ((\rho + \gamma)^n - \rho^n) \|x - x^{(0)}\|_A$$

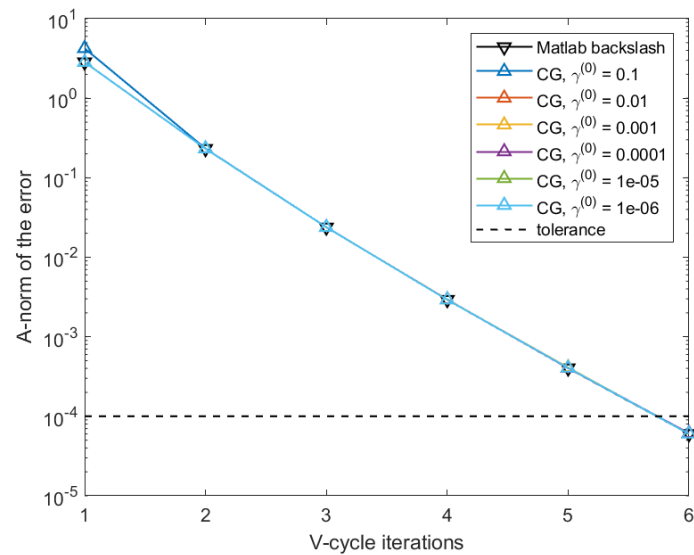
Choose initial $\gamma^{(0)}$ and N .

In each iteration:

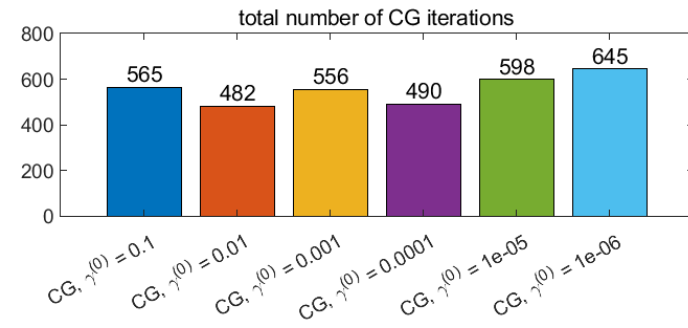
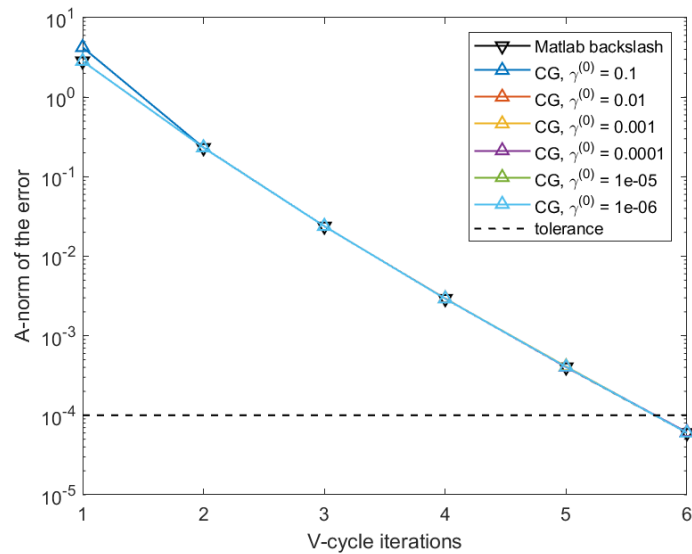
$$\rho \approx \tilde{\rho}^{(k)} = \frac{\eta_{ML}^{(k-1)}}{\eta_{ML}^{(k-2)}}$$

$$\gamma^{(k)} = \left((2)^{\frac{1}{N}} - 1 \right) \tilde{\rho}^{(k)}$$

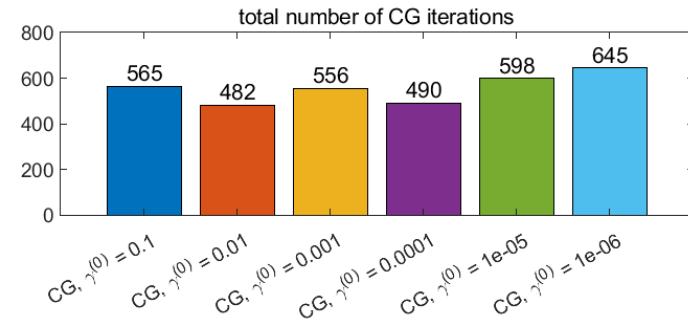
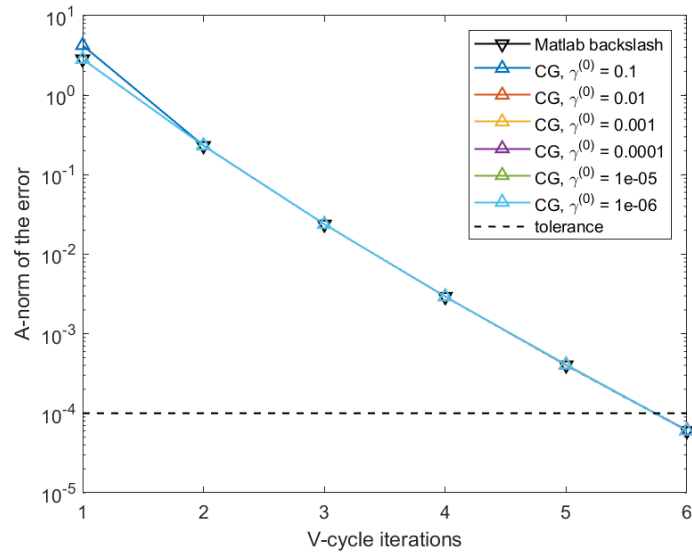
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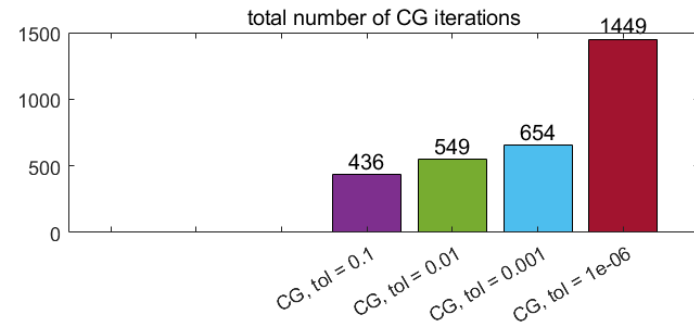
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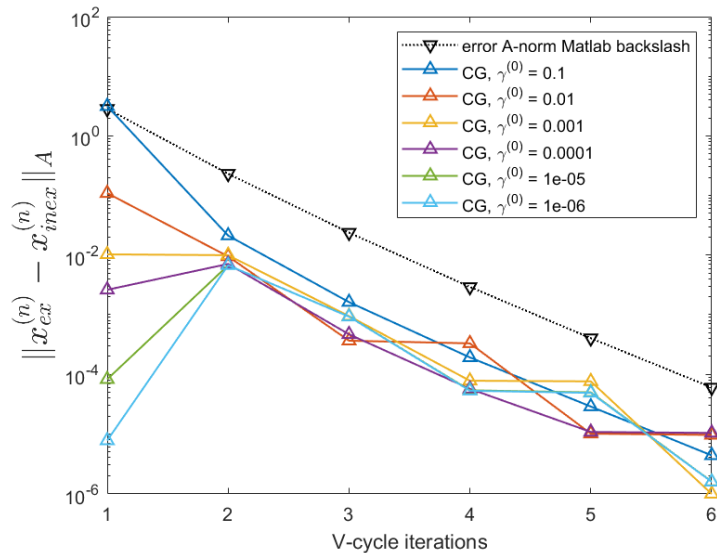
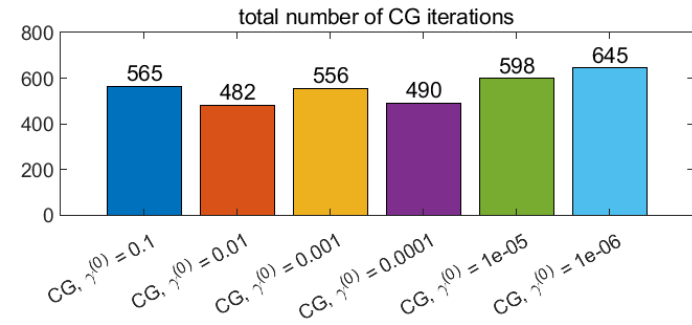
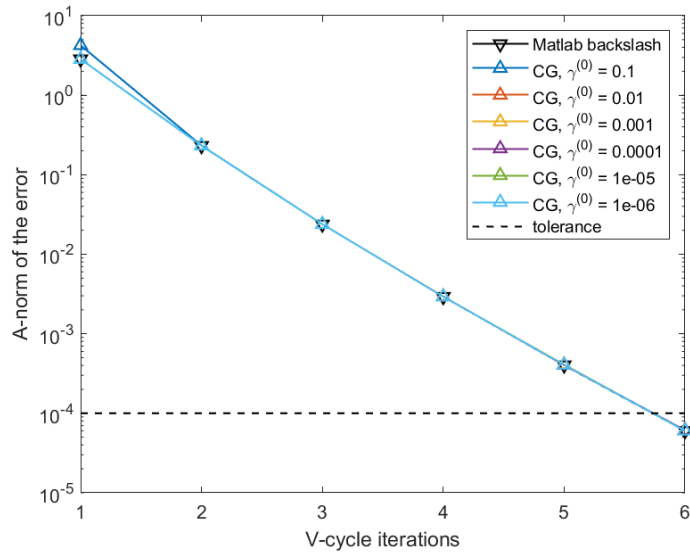
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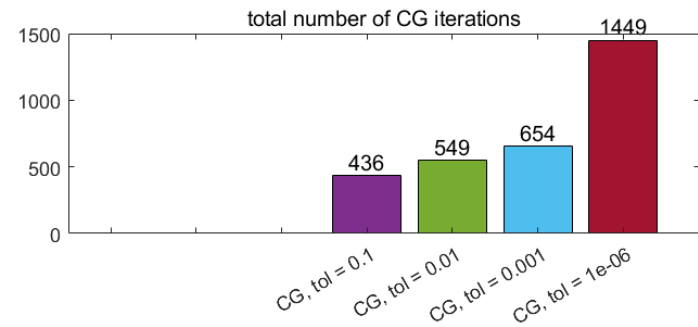
Relative tolerance



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