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# Numerical Methods for Feedback Stabilization of Unsteady PDE Problems

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## Optimal Control

is used for the optimization of **dynamical processes**,

described by ordinary or partial differential equations.

This is achieved by minimizing a **cost functional**

(penalizing, e.g. energy consumption, deviation from reference trajectory),

such that a prescribed target  
is reached **in given** or **minimal time**

whilst complying with given control and state constraints.



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Consequence: need **feedback control**

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in order to attenuate perturbations/errors!

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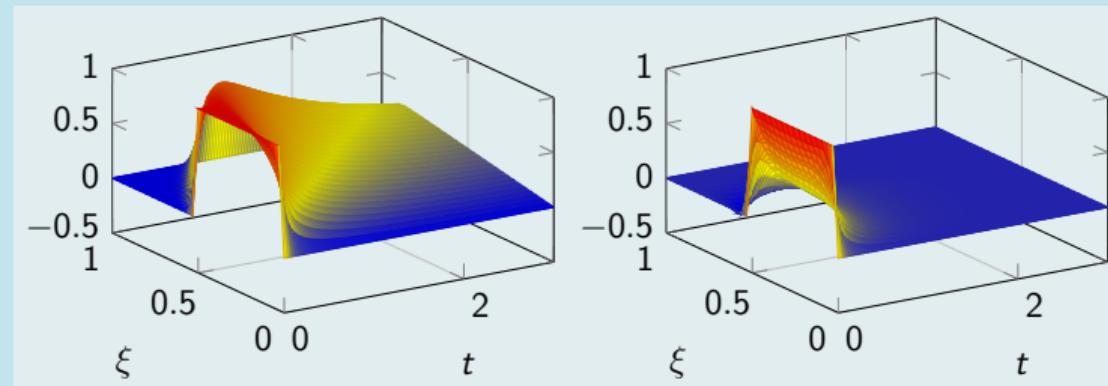
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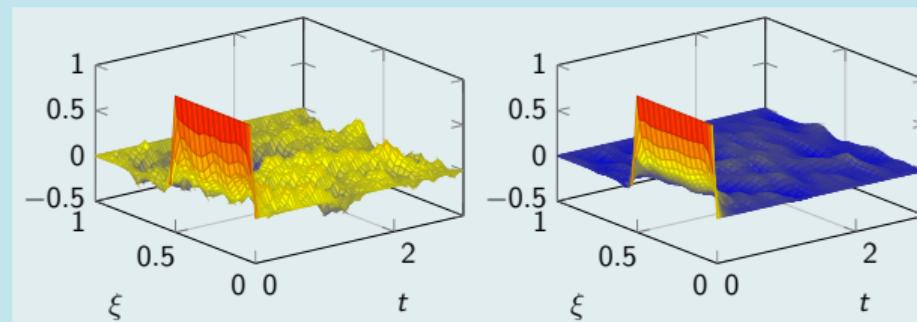


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Nonlinear control (here: MPC-LQG):



**Reduction of tracking error  $\int_0^T \|x(t) - x_*(t)\|_2^2 dt$  by factor > 10.**

[BENNER/GÖRNER, PAMM 2006]; [BENNER/GÖRNER/SAAK, Springer LNCSE 2006].



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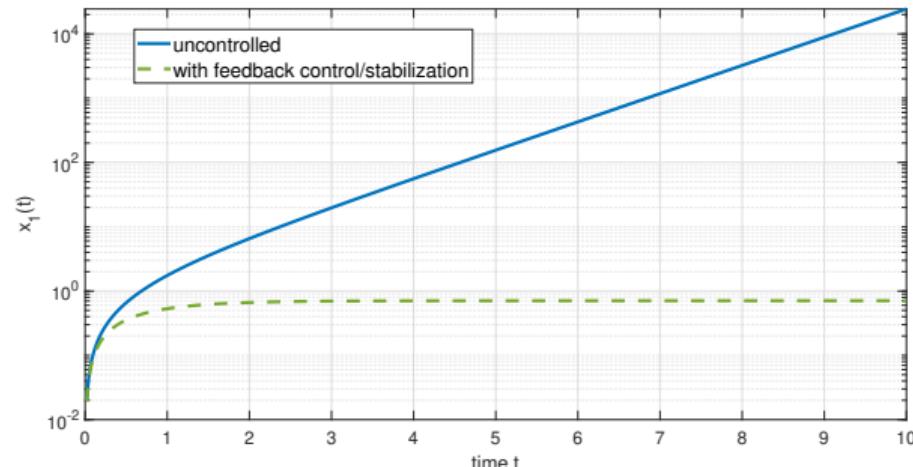
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## Illustration

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$



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Solution of finite-dimensional LQR problem: **feedback control**

$$u_*(t) = -B^T X_* x(t) =: -K_* x(t),$$

where  $X_* = X_*^T \geq 0$  is unique **stabilizing**<sup>1</sup> solution of **algebraic Riccati equation (ARE)**

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<sup>1</sup> $X$  is stabilizing  $\Leftrightarrow \Lambda(A - BB^T X) \subset \mathbb{C}^-$ .

Given Hilbert spaces

$\mathbb{X}$  – **state space**,

$\mathbb{U}$  – **control space**,

$\mathbb{Y}$  – **output space**,

and operators

$$\mathcal{A} : \text{dom}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}, \quad \mathcal{B} : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}, \quad \mathcal{C} : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}.$$

## LQR Problem in Hilbert Space

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Then: algebraic operator Riccati equation

$$0 = \mathcal{R}(\mathcal{P}) := \mathcal{C}^* \mathcal{C} + \mathcal{A}^* \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{P} \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{P} \mathcal{B} \mathcal{B}^* \mathcal{P}$$

has unique, selfadjoint solution  $\mathcal{P}_\infty : \text{dom}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \text{dom}(\mathcal{A}^*)$  that is linear, bounded, and positive semidefinite ( $\mathcal{P} \geq 0$ ).

The optimal control solving the LQR problem is given by the feedback control

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Weak formulation, use test functions  $v \in \mathbb{V} = \mathbb{H}_0^1(\Omega) \implies$  LQR Problem.

Consider sequence of subspaces  $\mathbb{X}_n \subset \mathbb{X}$ ,  $\dim(\mathbb{X}_n) < \infty$ , such that  $\forall \varphi \in \mathbb{X}$  there exists  $\varphi_n \in \mathbb{X}_n$  with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi_n - \varphi\|_{\mathbb{X}} = 0.$$

Define **Galerkin projection**  $\Pi_n : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}_n$  and

$$\begin{aligned} < A_n \varphi_n, \psi_n >_{\mathbb{X}_n} &:= - < \mathcal{A} \varphi_n, \psi_n >_{\mathbb{X}} \quad \forall \varphi_n, \psi_n \in \mathbb{X}_n, \\ B_n &:= \Pi_n B, \quad C_n := C|_{\mathbb{X}_n}. \end{aligned}$$

⇒ **finite dimensional LQR problem/LQR( $n$ )**

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Corresponding **ARE( $n$ ):**  $0 = \mathcal{R}_n(P_n) := C_n^* C_n + A_n^* P_n + P_n A_n - P_n B_n B_n^* P_n.$

## Theorem (Gibson '79, Banks/Kunisch '84)

Under given assumptions, the optimizing solution of  $LQR(n)$  is given by *feedback control*

$$u_{n,*}(t) = -B_n^* P_{n,*} x_n(t) = \mathcal{K}_{n,*} x_n(t),$$

where  $P_{n,*}$  is the stabilizing solution of  $ARE(n)$ .

Furthermore,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{n,*} \Pi_n \varphi_n - \mathcal{P}_\infty \varphi\|_{\mathbb{X}} = 0 \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathbb{X},$$

i.e., strong convergence  $P_{n,*} \Pi_n \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\infty$  in  $\mathbb{X}$ .

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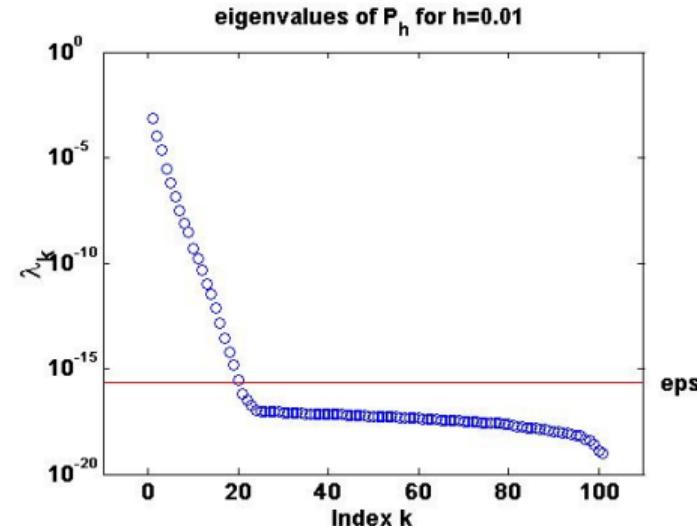
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 $\implies$  as  $X$  is dense in general, we face a storage problem!

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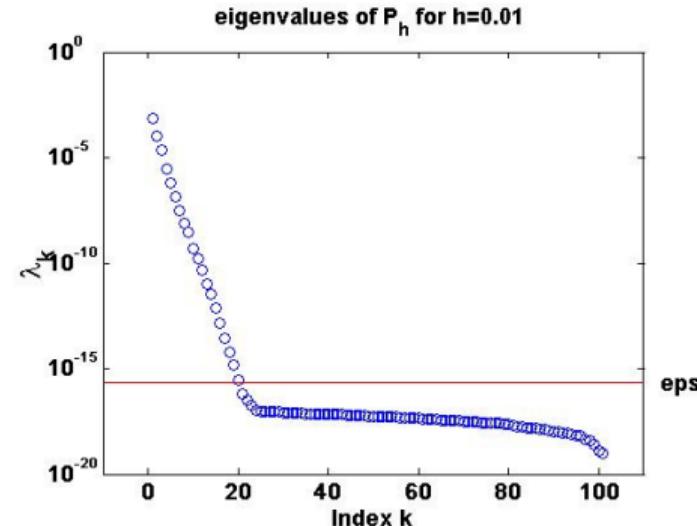
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$\implies$  Goal: compute  $Z^{(r)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$  directly w/o ever forming  $X$ !



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## Newton's method (with line search) for AREs

FOR  $j = 0, 1, \dots$

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- ② Solve the Lyapunov equation  $A_j^T N_j + N_j A_j = -\mathcal{R}(X_j)$ .
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### Factored Newton Iteration [B./Li/Penzl 1999/2008]

Solve Lyapunov equations for  $Z_{j+1}$  directly by factored ADI iteration and use '**sparse + low-rank**' structure of  $A_j$ .

Optimal feedback

$$K_* = B^T X_* = B^T Z_* Z_*^T$$

can be computed by **direct feedback iteration**:

- $j$ th Newton iteration:

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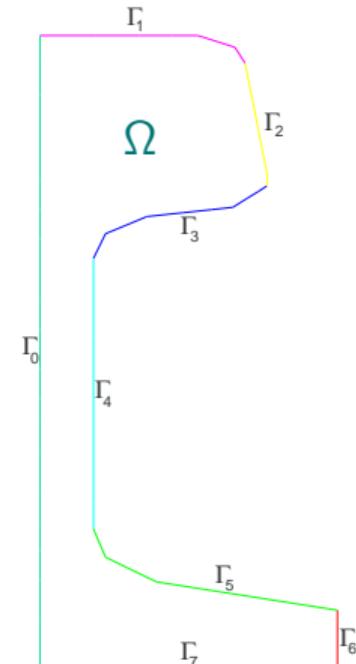




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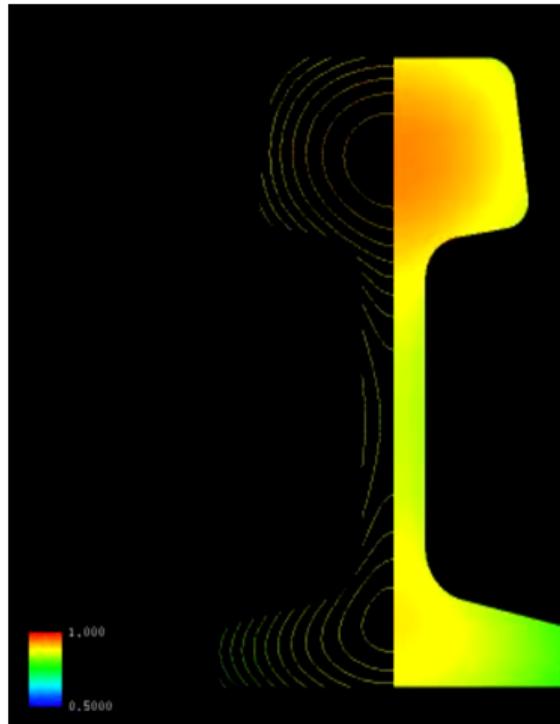
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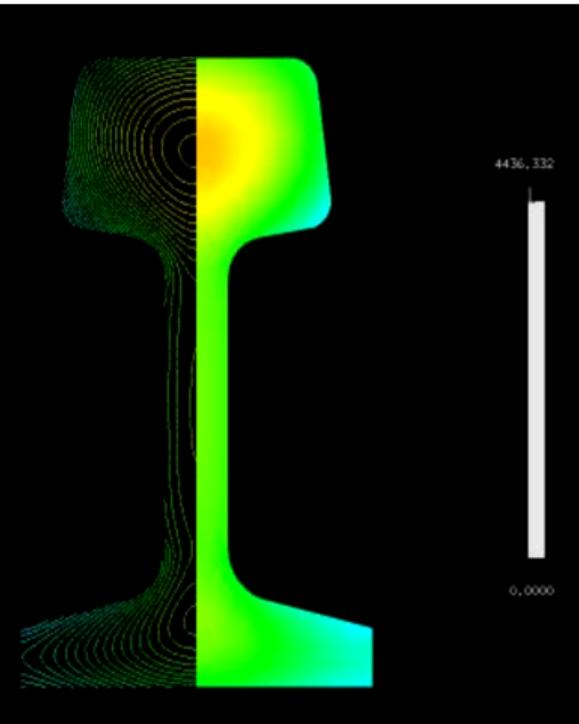


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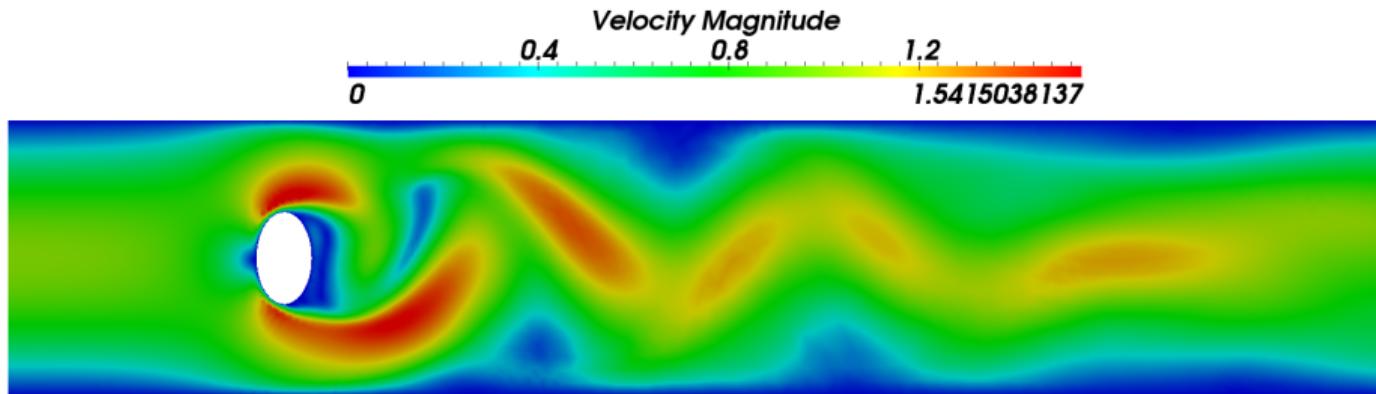
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  - save energy (or increase attainable speed) by minimizing drag coefficient;
  - use fluid flow for optimal transport (e.g., in blood veins).
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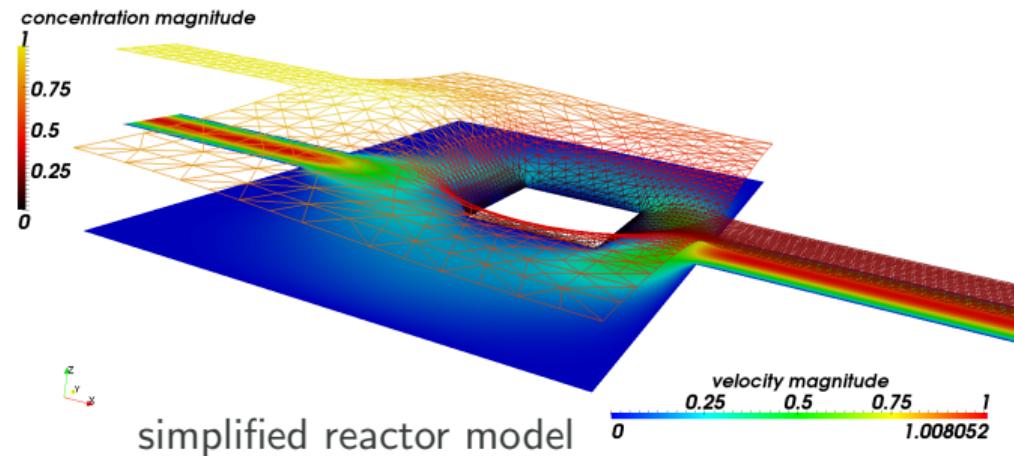
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(GCARE)

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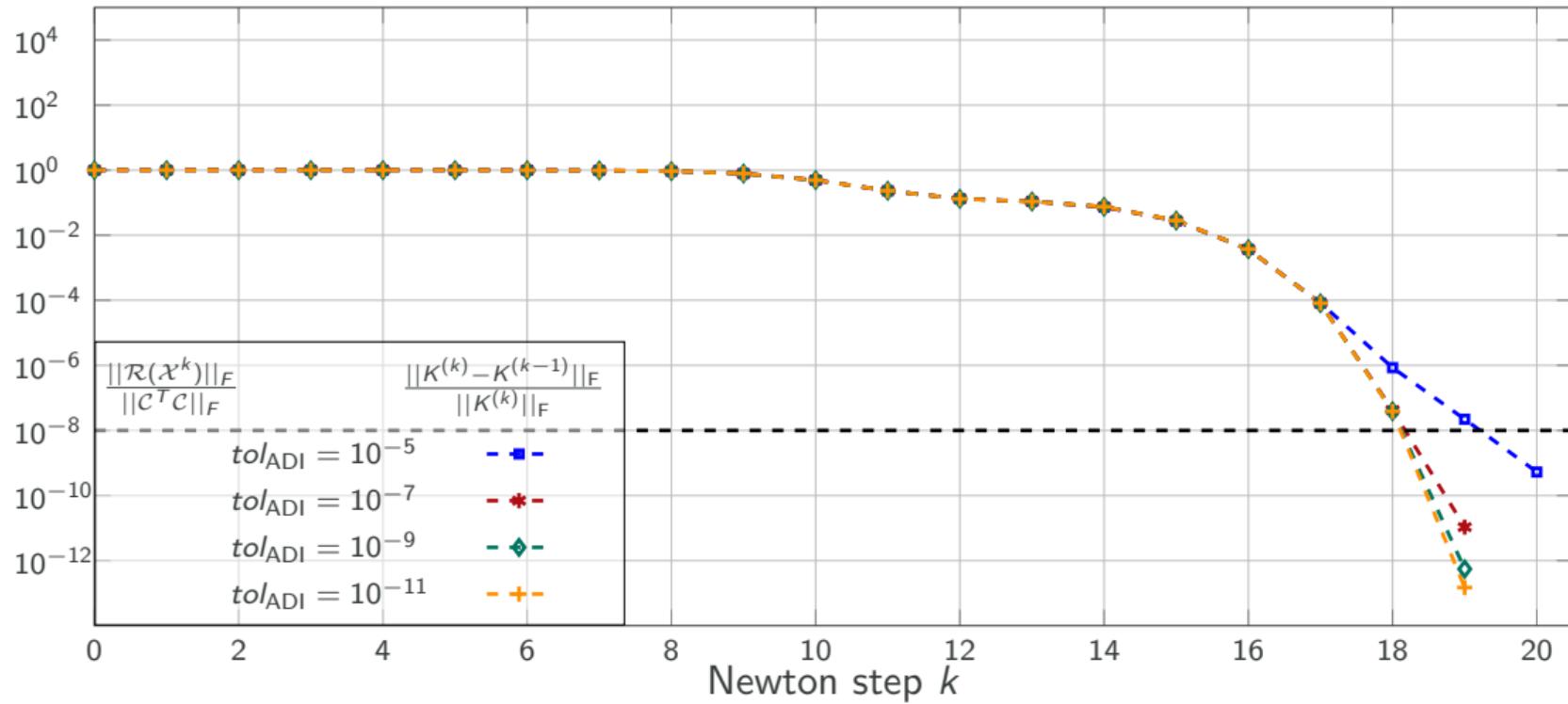
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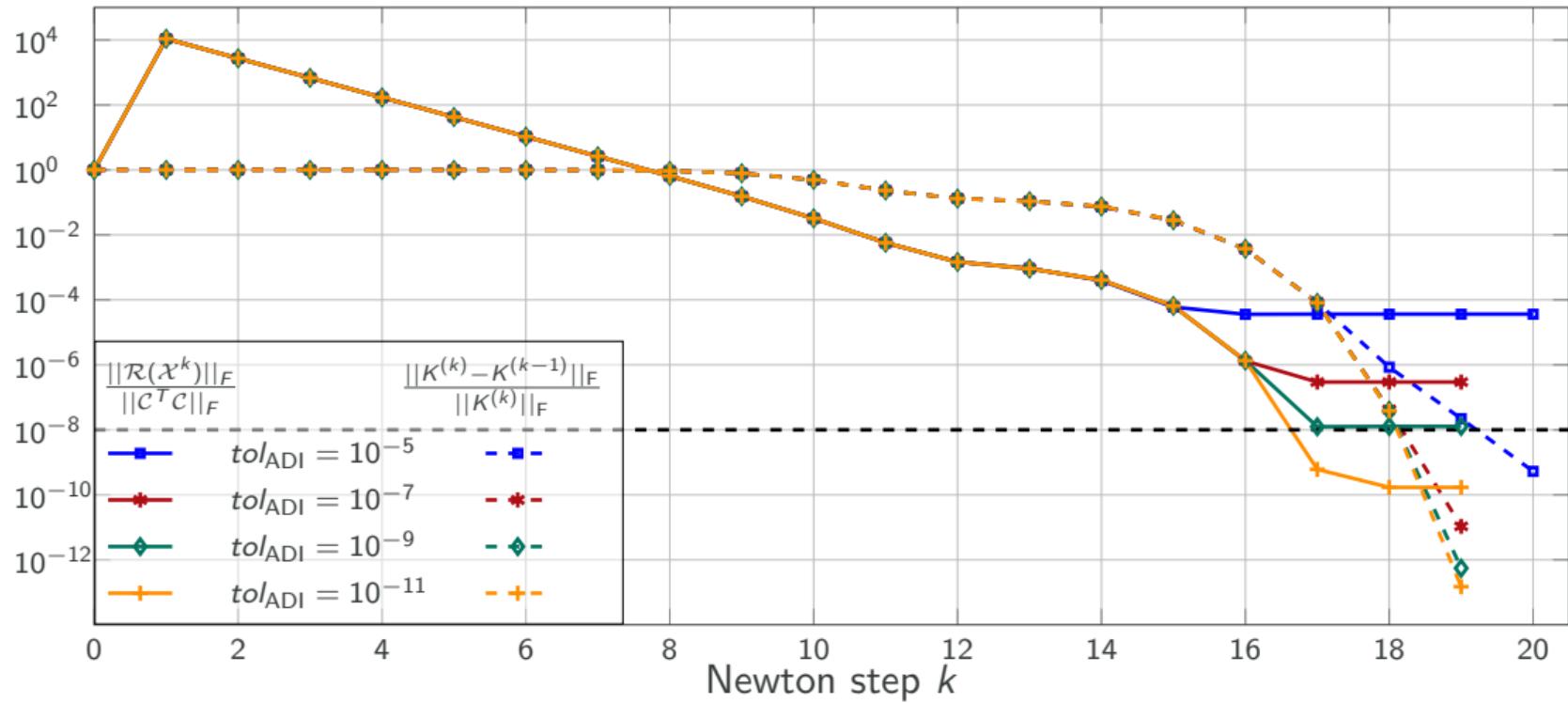
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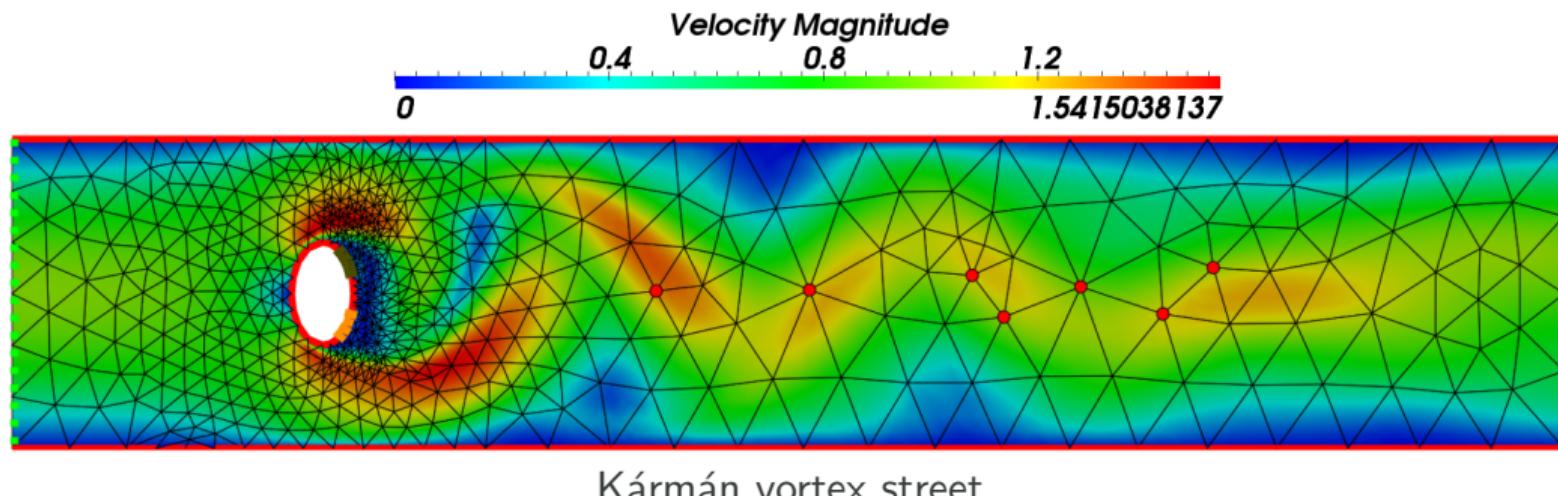
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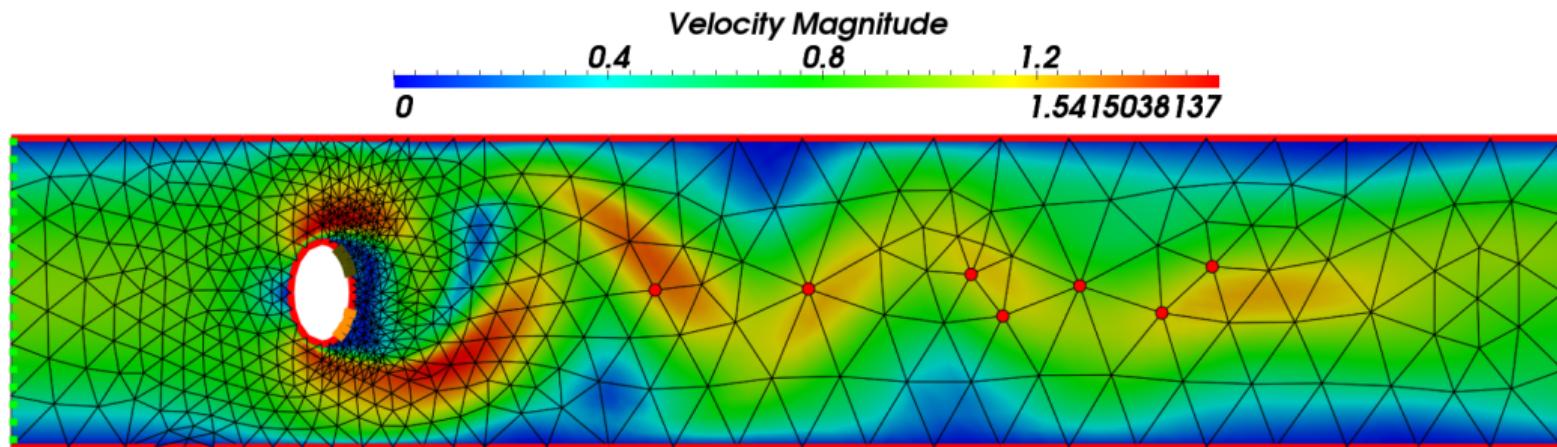




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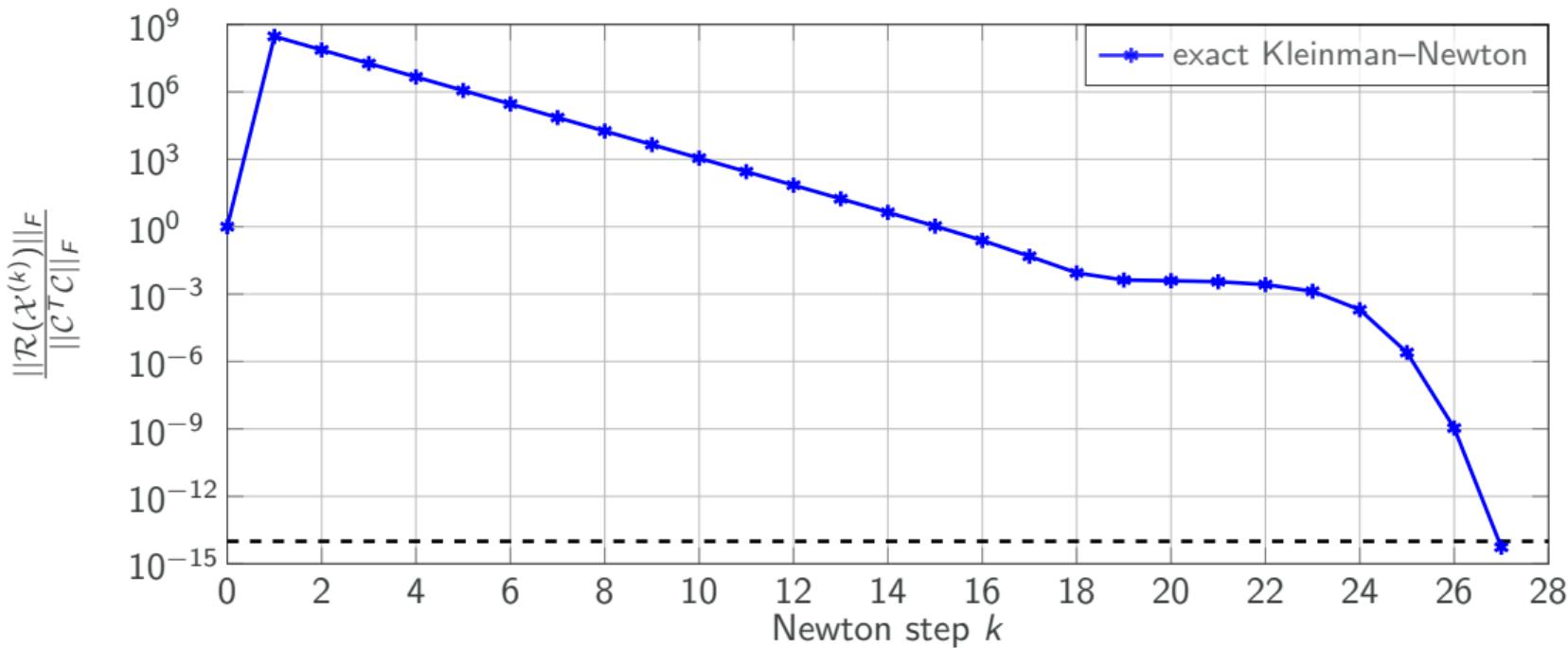
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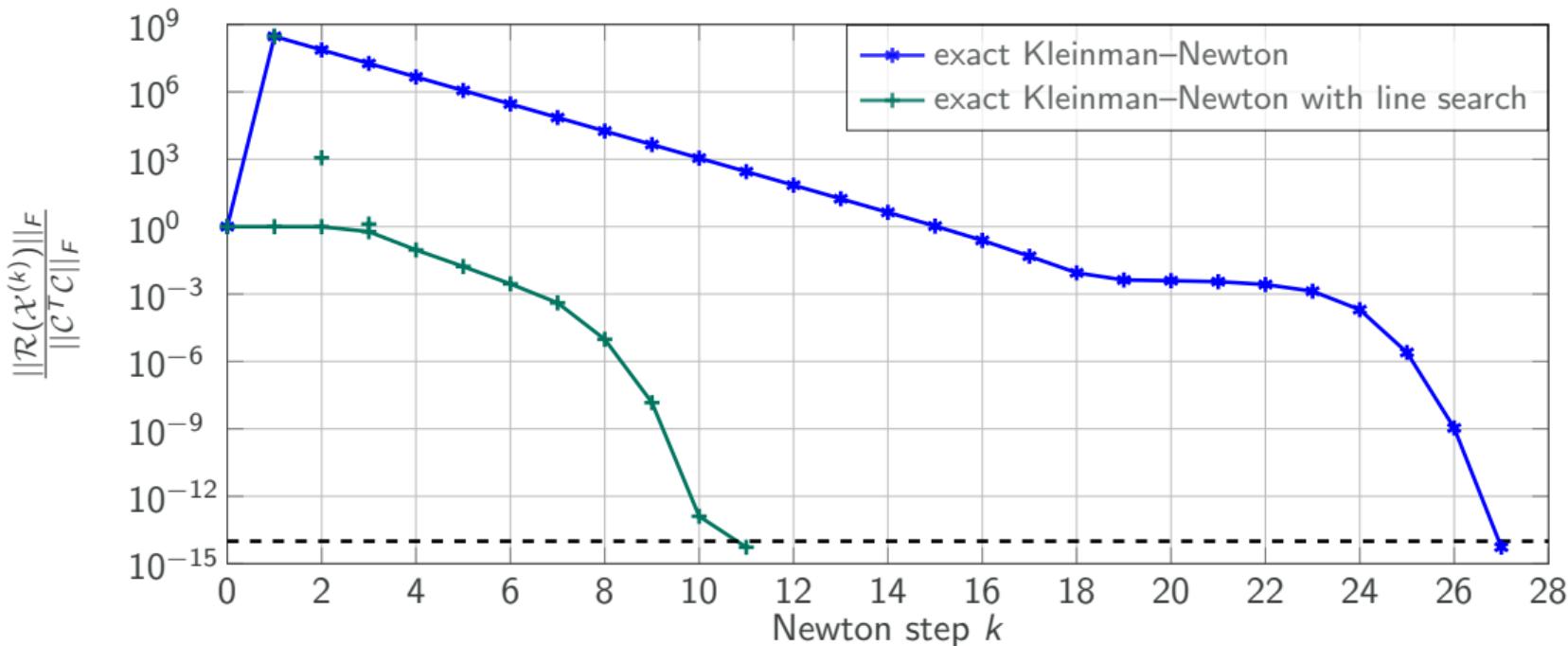
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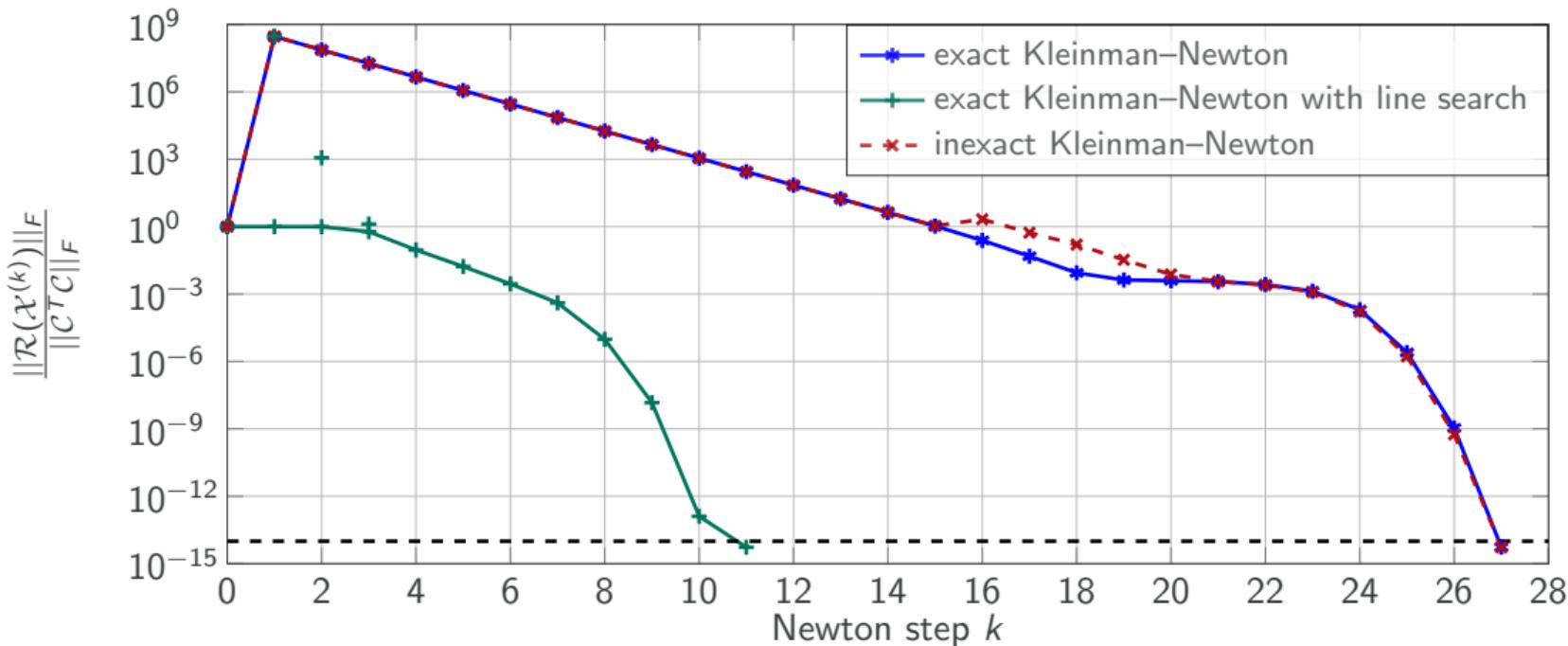
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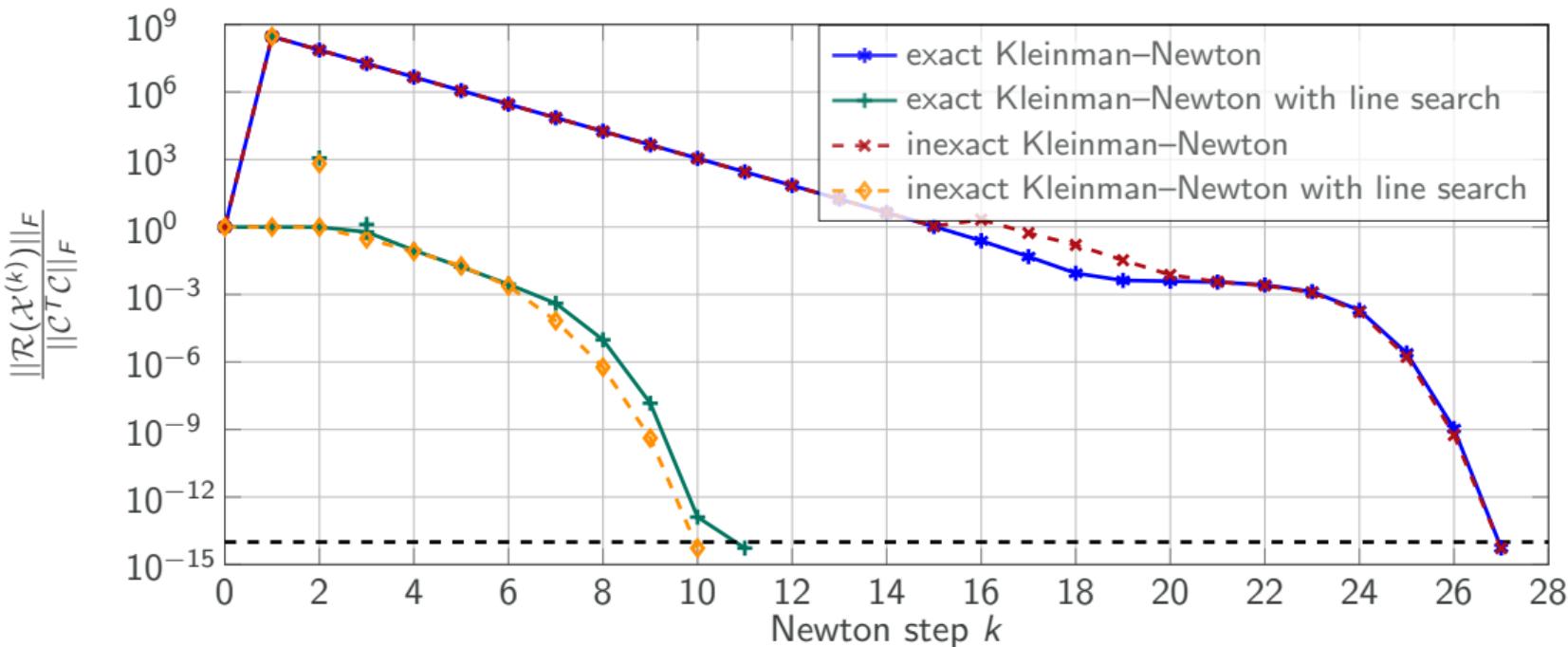
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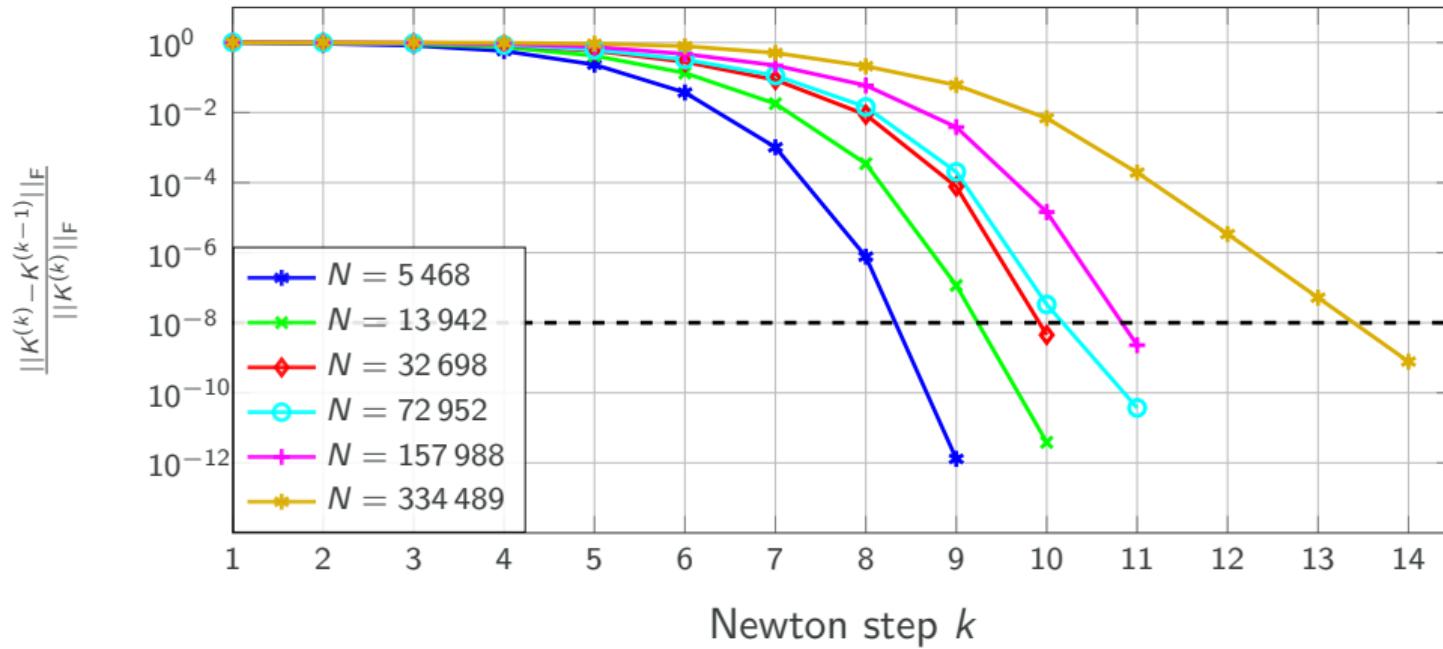
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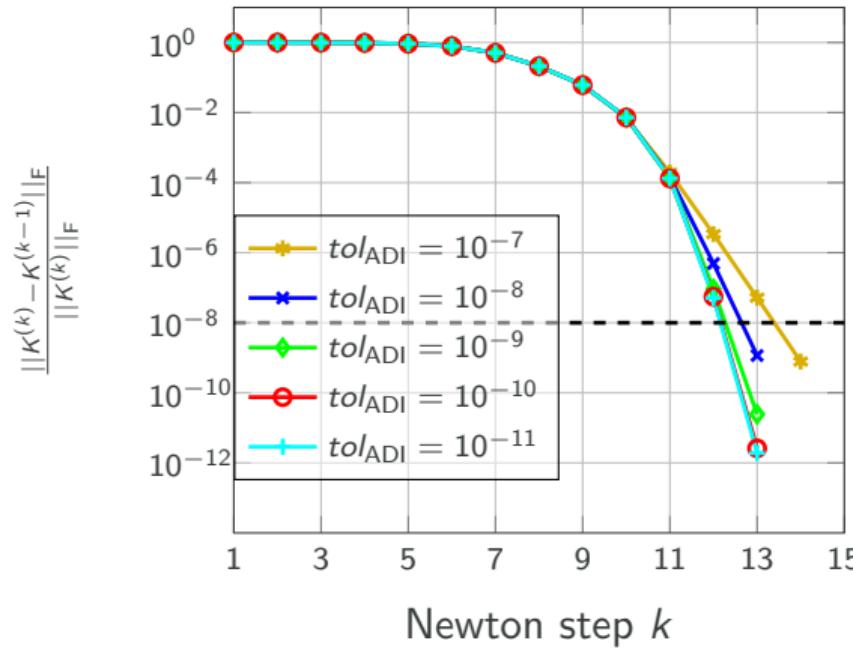
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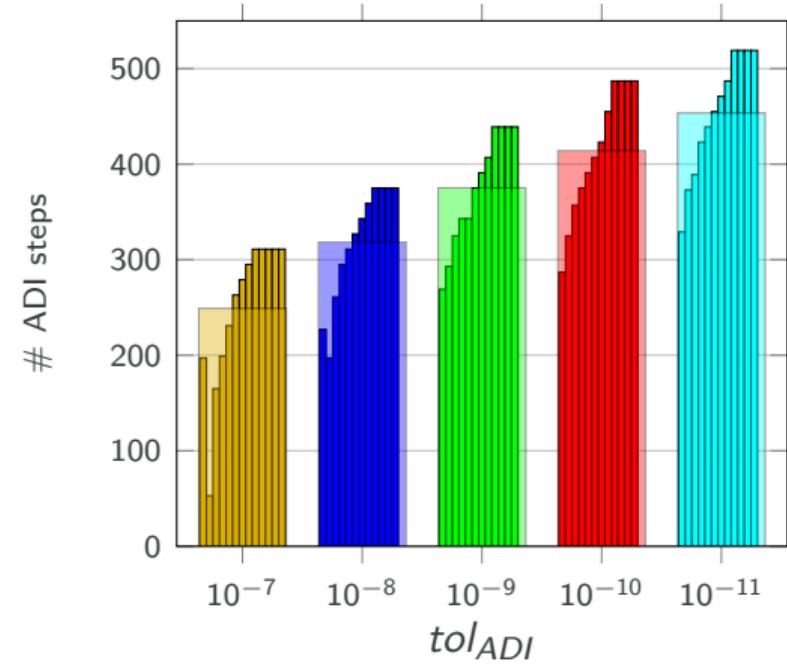
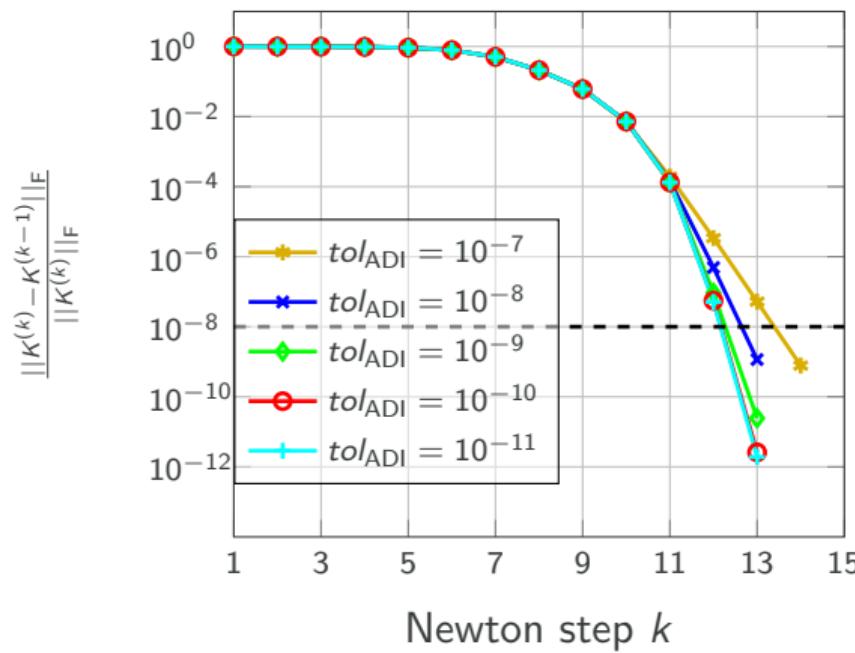
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## Contributions to Feedback Control of Flow Problems

- Analyzed **Riccati-based feedback** for **scalar** and **vector-valued transport** problems.
- Wide-spread usability tailored for standard **inf-sup stable finite element** discretizations.
- Established **specially tailored Kleinman–Newton-ADI** that **avoids explicit projections**.
- **Suitable preconditioners** for multi-field flow problems have been developed (not discussed here, see [BENNER ET AL, SISC 2013]).
- Major run time improvements due to combination of **inexact Newton** and **line search**.
- Established **new convergence proofs** that were verified by **extensive numerical tests**.



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