



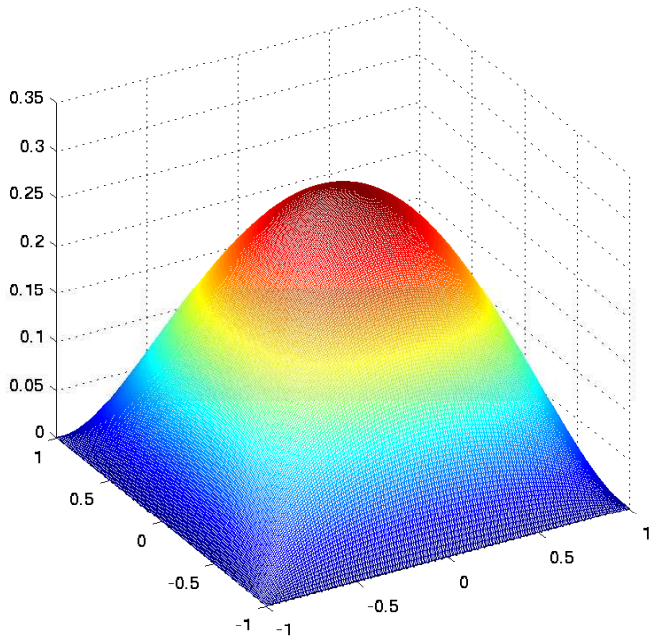
Model-assisted effective large scale matrix computations

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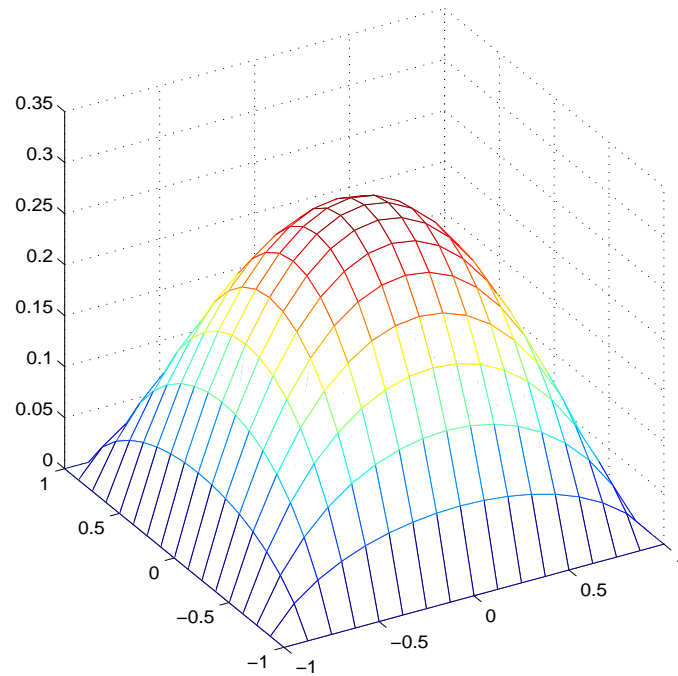
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An intuitive relation



$$-\Delta u = f, \quad (x, y) \in (-1, 1)^2$$
$$u = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial[-1, 1]^2$$



Given $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Find $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$

A slow start

Solution of a (square) algebraic linear system of large dimension.

Find $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$$

with \mathbf{A} symmetric and positive definite: $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \rangle > 0 \forall \mathbf{x} \neq 0$

Very large dimension \Rightarrow iterative procedure

Given an initial guess $\mathbf{u}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ($\mathbf{u}_0 = 0$ in the following), generate sequence

$$\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m, \dots \rightarrow \mathbf{u}$$

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(Conjugate Gradients, Hestenes & Stiefel, '52)

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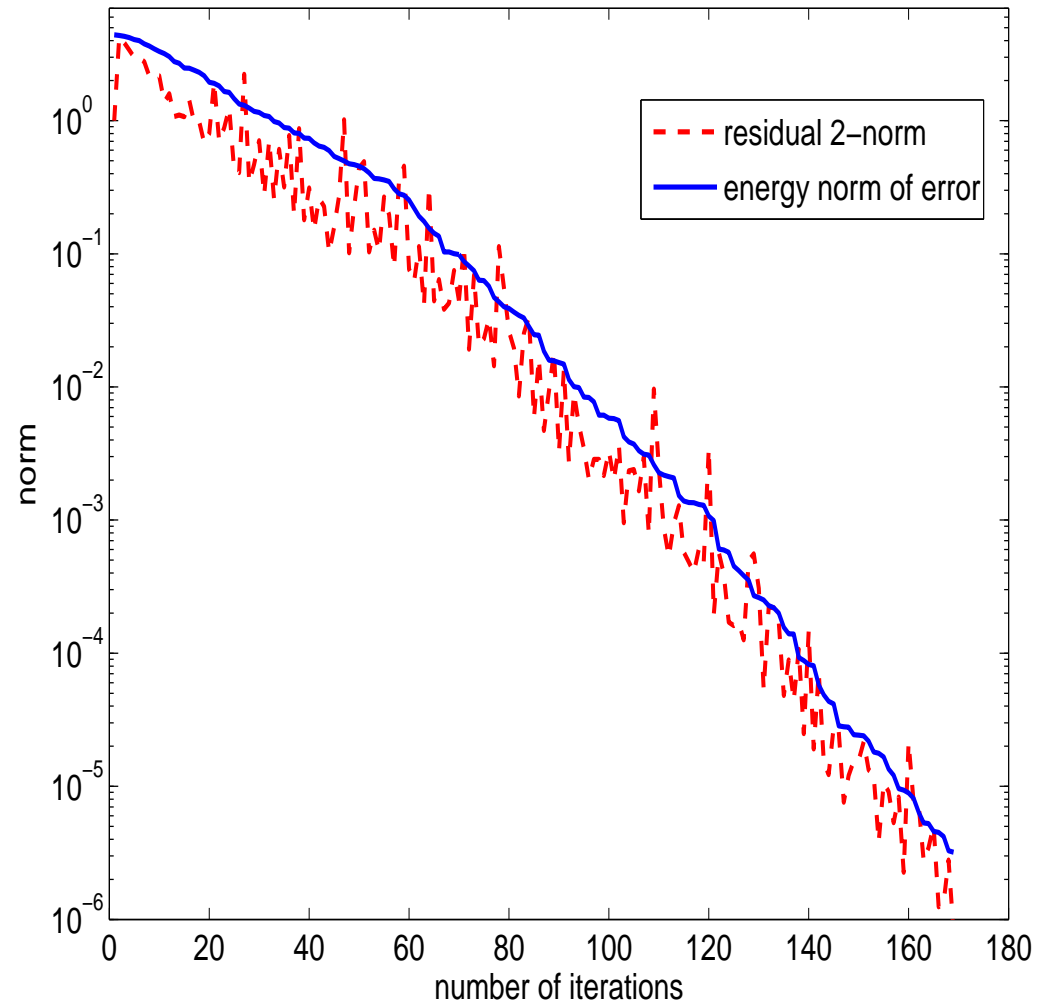
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\Rightarrow Use estimate of $\|\mathbf{u}^* - \mathbf{u}_m\|_{\mathbf{A}}$ as stopping criterion

A typical example



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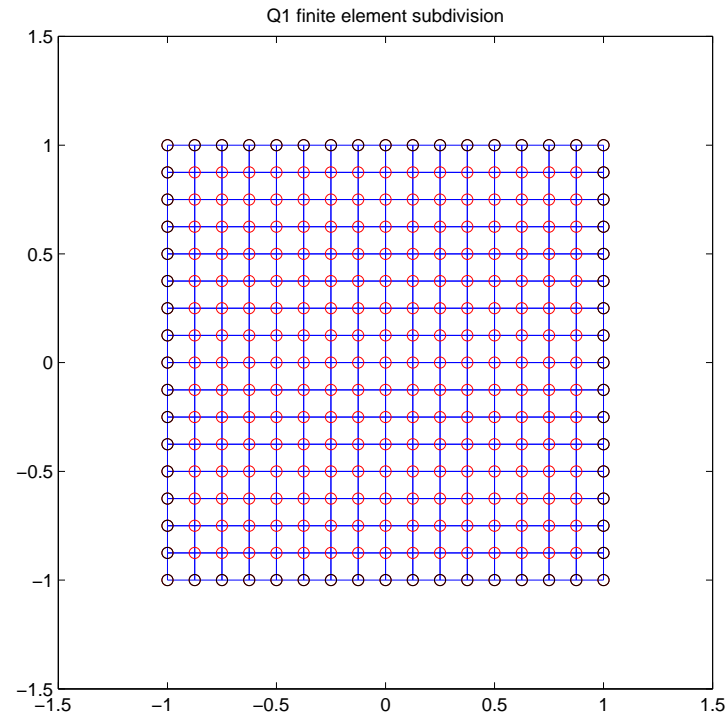
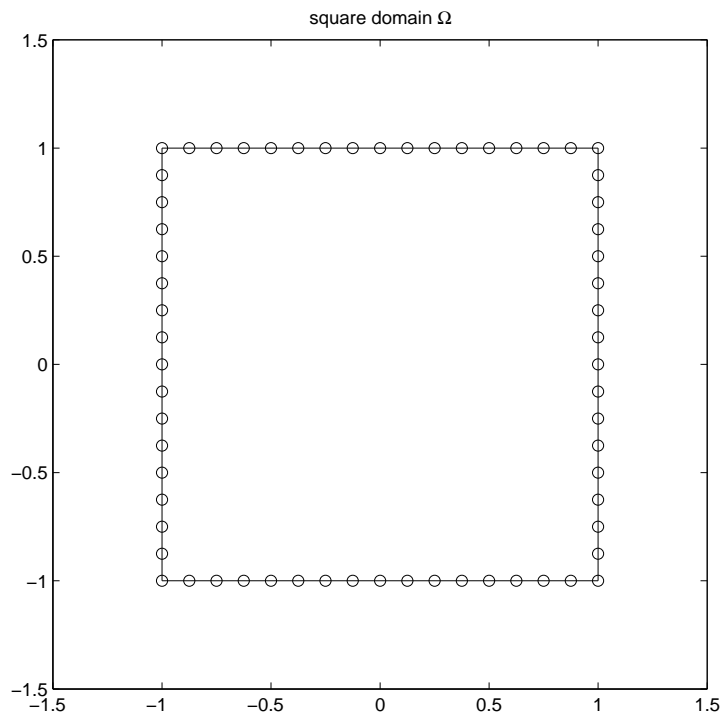
Consequences:

- Convergence: The closer κ to 1 the faster
- Convergence depends on spectral properties, not directly on problem size!

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$V_h \approx V$, V_h e.g., space of piecewise low degree polynomials



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and $\kappa = O\left(\frac{1}{h^2}\right)$

| h | κ | n | # iterations |
|----------|----------|------|--------------|
| 2^{-1} | 3.33 | 25 | 3 |
| 2^{-3} | 51.71 | 289 | 24 |
| 2^{-5} | 829.86 | 4225 | 101 |

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Formally, if $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ and $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{L}^{-T}$, then $\kappa(\mathbf{M}) = O(\frac{c_2}{c_1})$ and

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{M}\tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \tilde{\mathbf{f}}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{L}^T \tilde{\mathbf{u}}, \quad \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{f}}$$

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\Rightarrow Stopping criterion for the iterative method:

$$\|\mathbf{u}^* - \mathbf{u}_m\|_{\mathbf{A}} = O(h)$$

- Very loose linear system accuracy (cheap...)
- Different perspective from Gauss elimination type solvers

(Arioli, Noulard, Russo, Loghin, Wathen, Jiránek, Strakoš, Vohralík, ...)

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With the appropriate choices of bilinear forms and approximation spaces, we obtain:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B}^T \\ \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{M} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

with \mathcal{M} large, real indefinite symmetric matrix

Saddle point algebraic linear system (cf. Benzi & Golub & Liesen, '05)

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2D. Final residual norm $< 10^{-6}$

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| size(\mathcal{M}) | its | Time (secs) |
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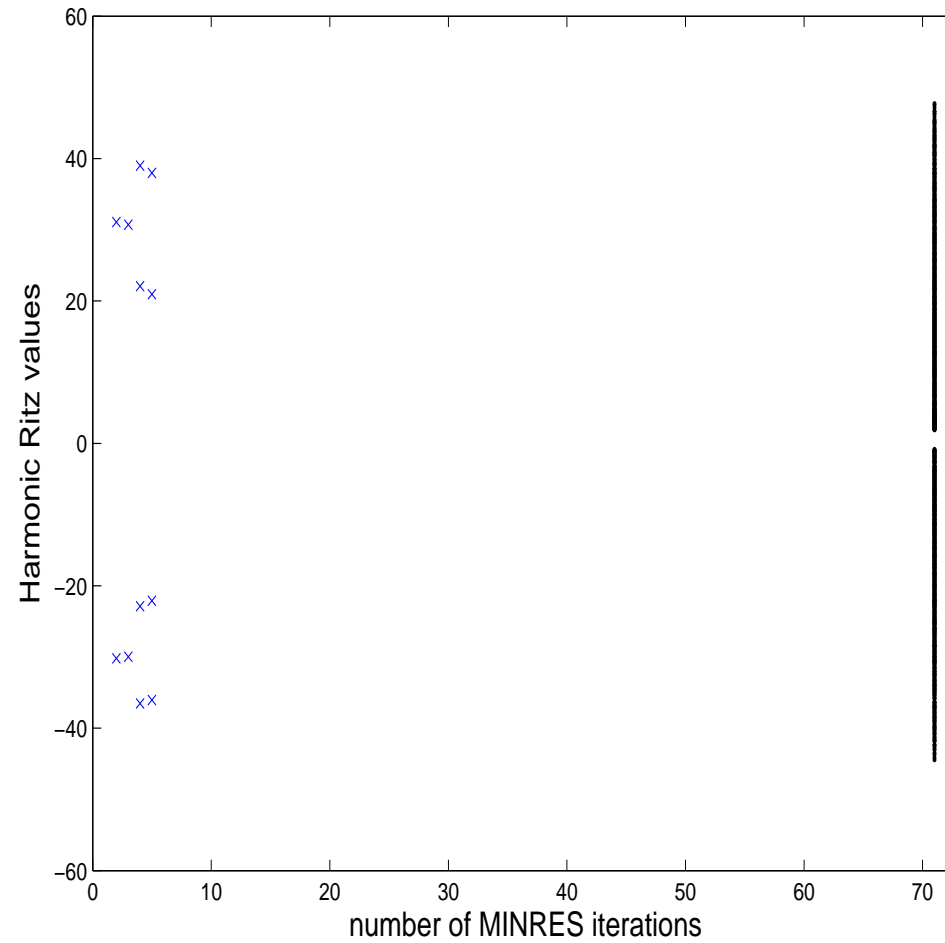
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In practice, adaptive estimate with **Harmonic Ritz values**:

$$\gamma^2 \approx \gamma_m^2 = \frac{(\theta_-^{(m)})^2 - \theta_-^{(m)} \theta_+^{(m)}}{\theta_+^{(m)}}, \quad mth \text{ MINRES iteration}$$

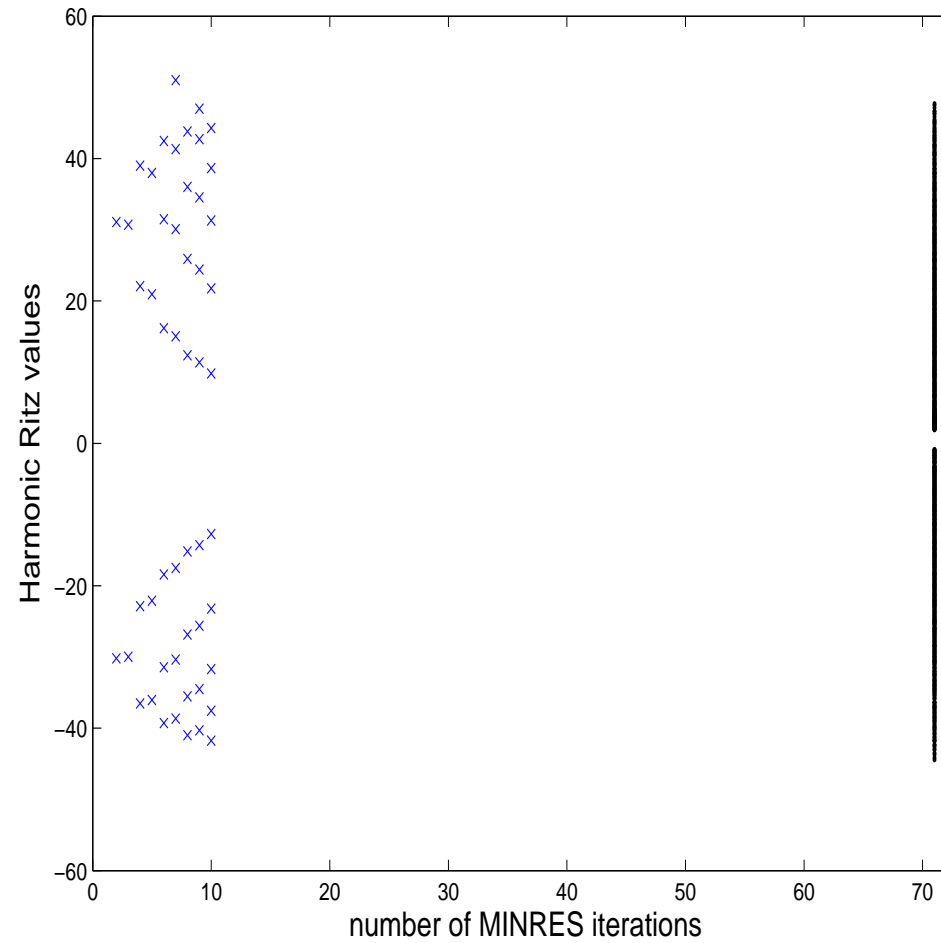
(Silvester & Simoncini, '11)

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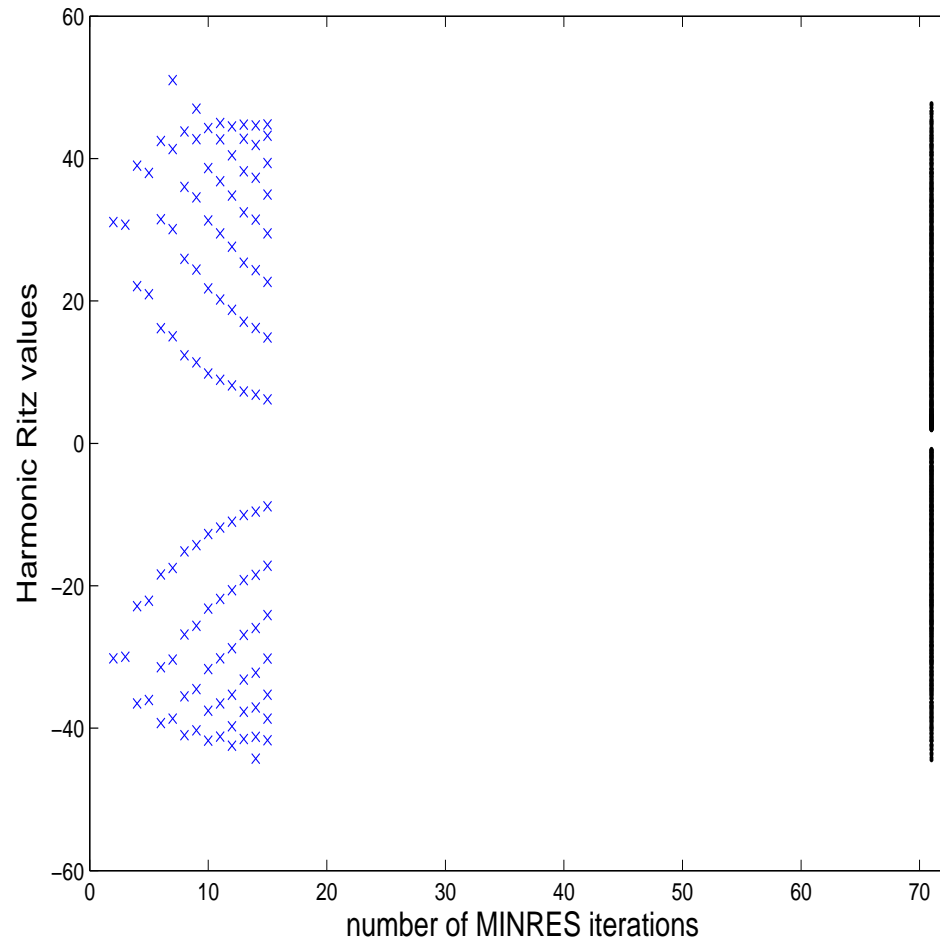
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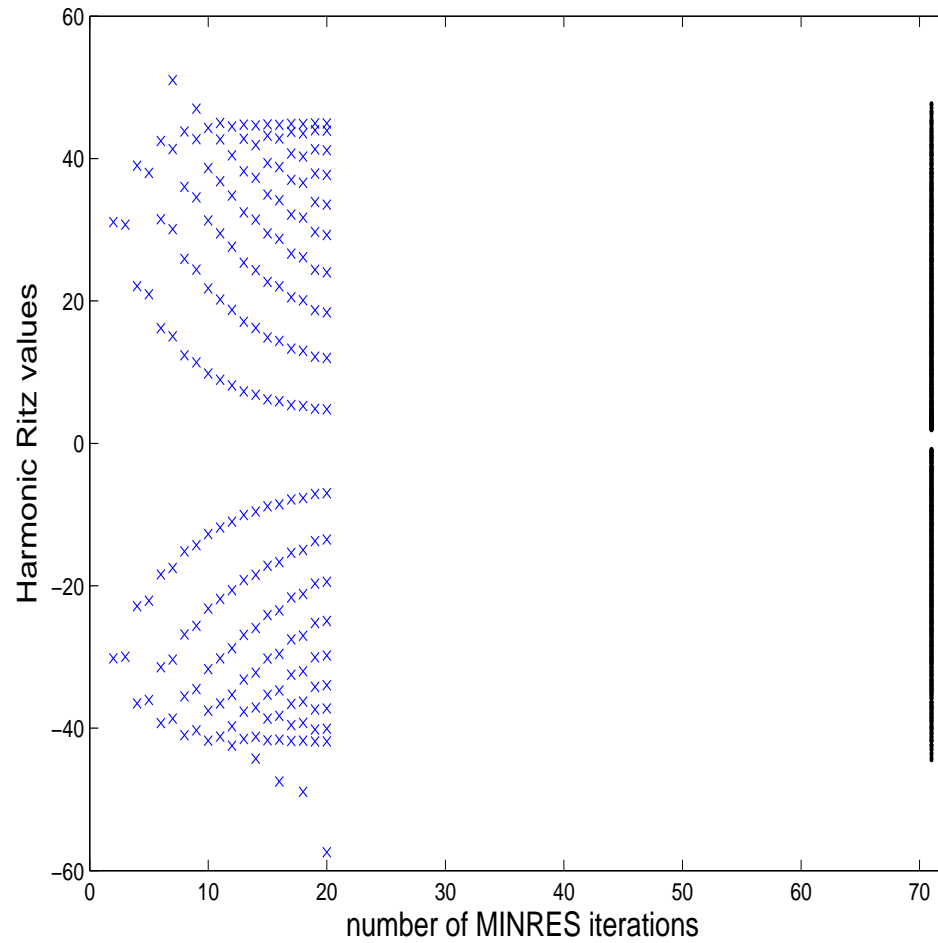
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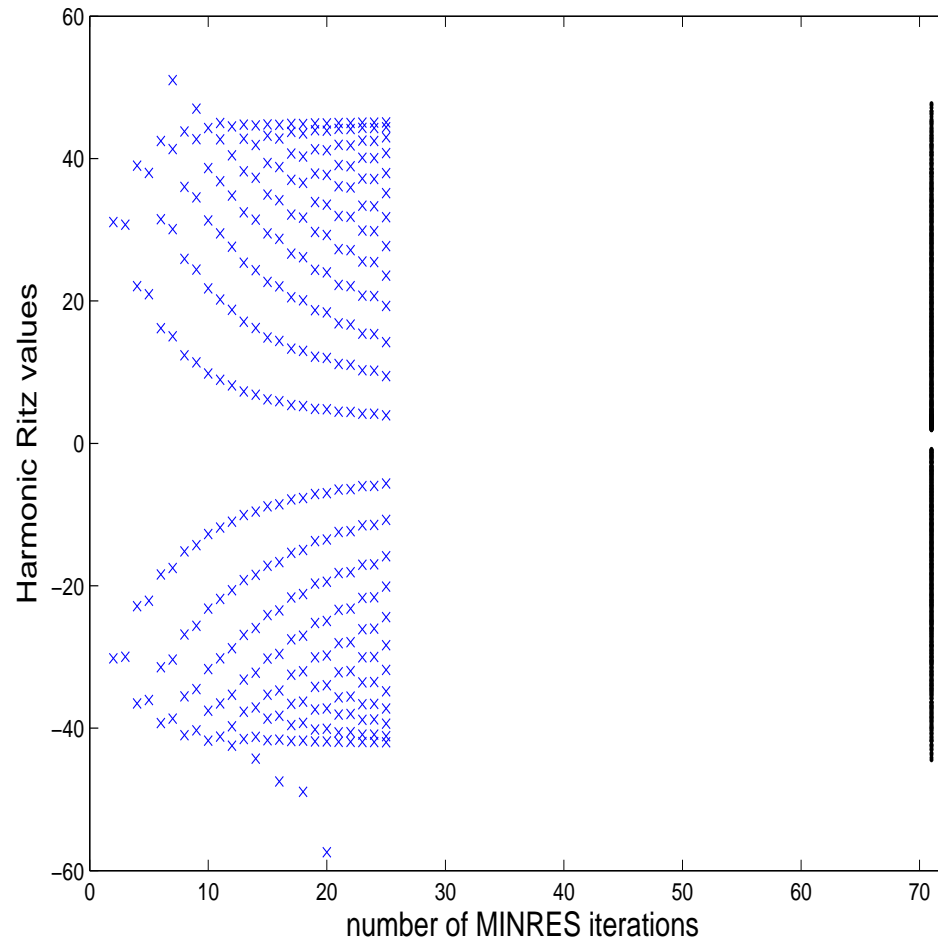
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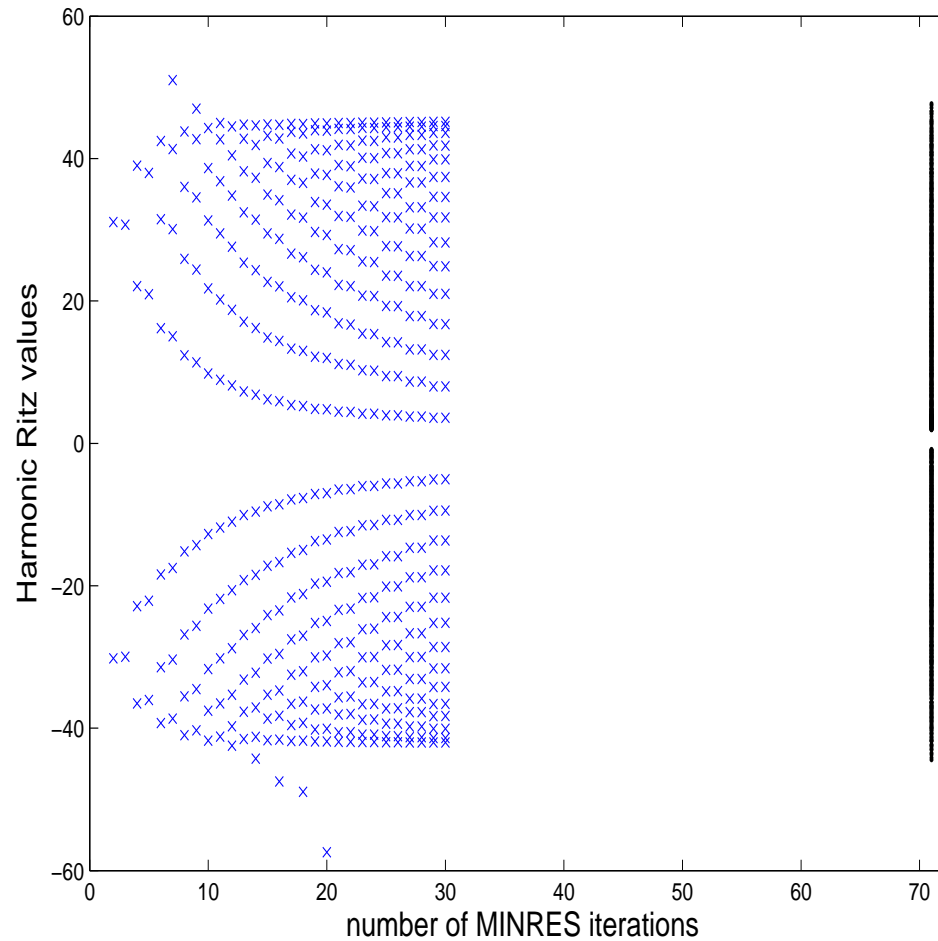
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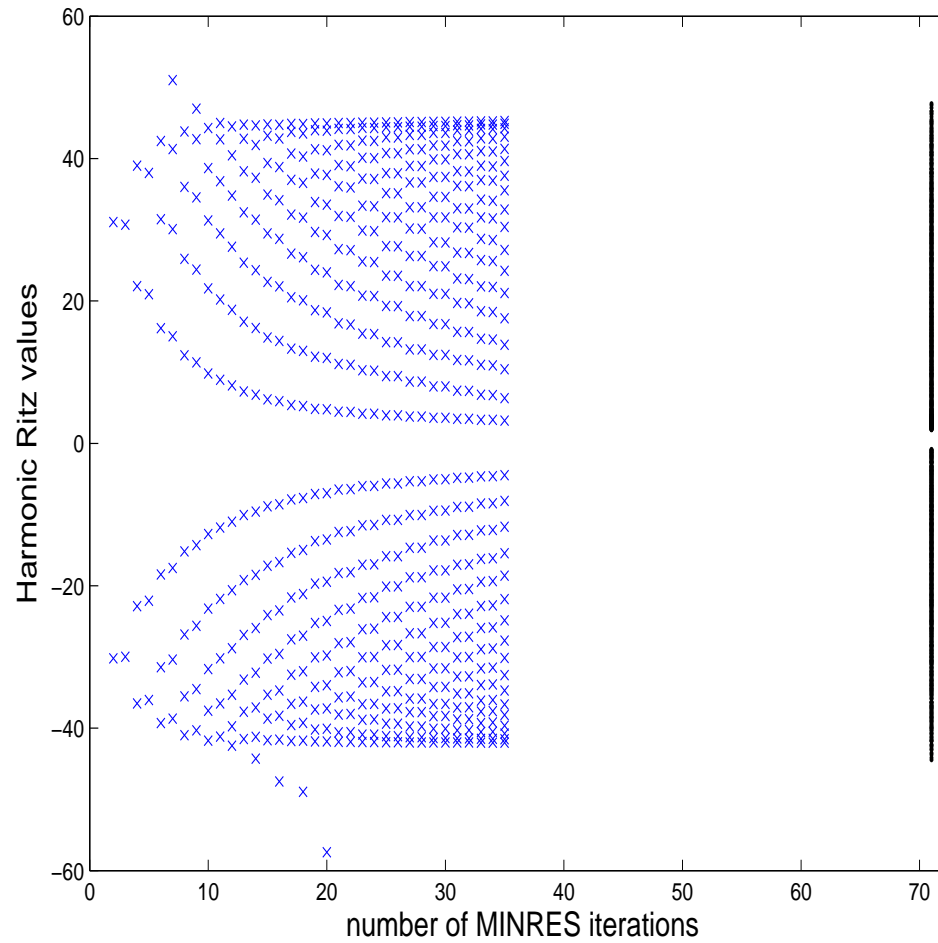
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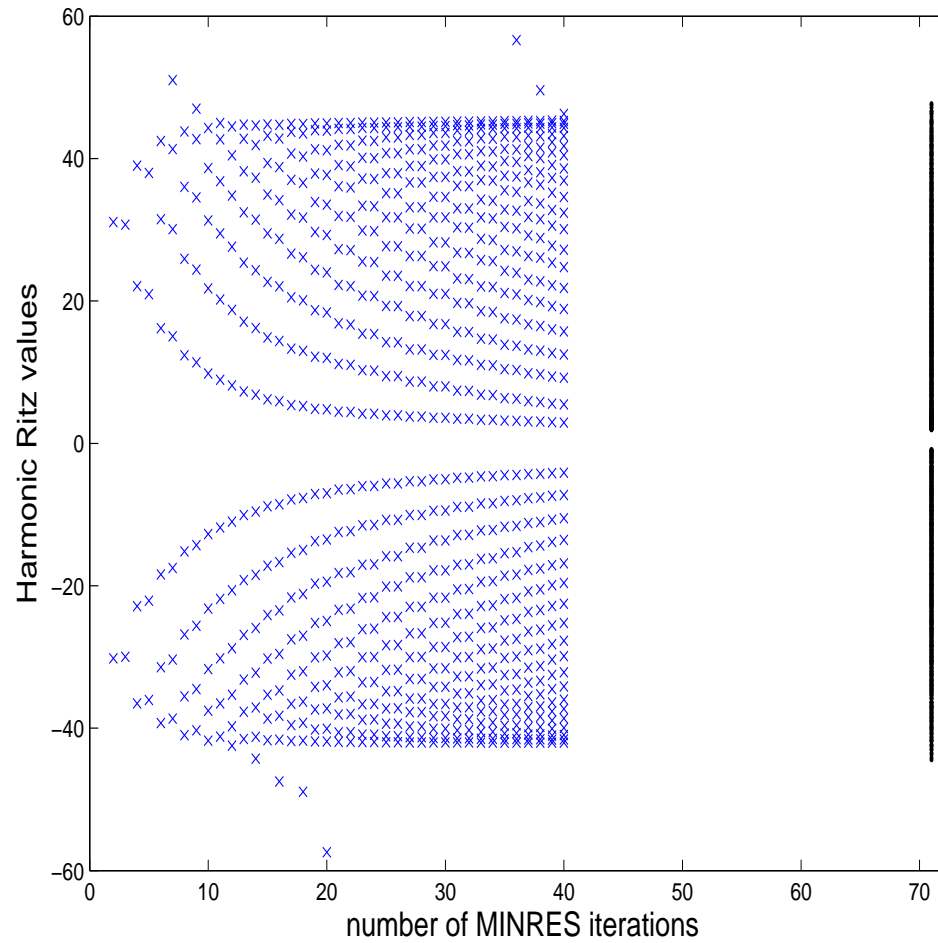
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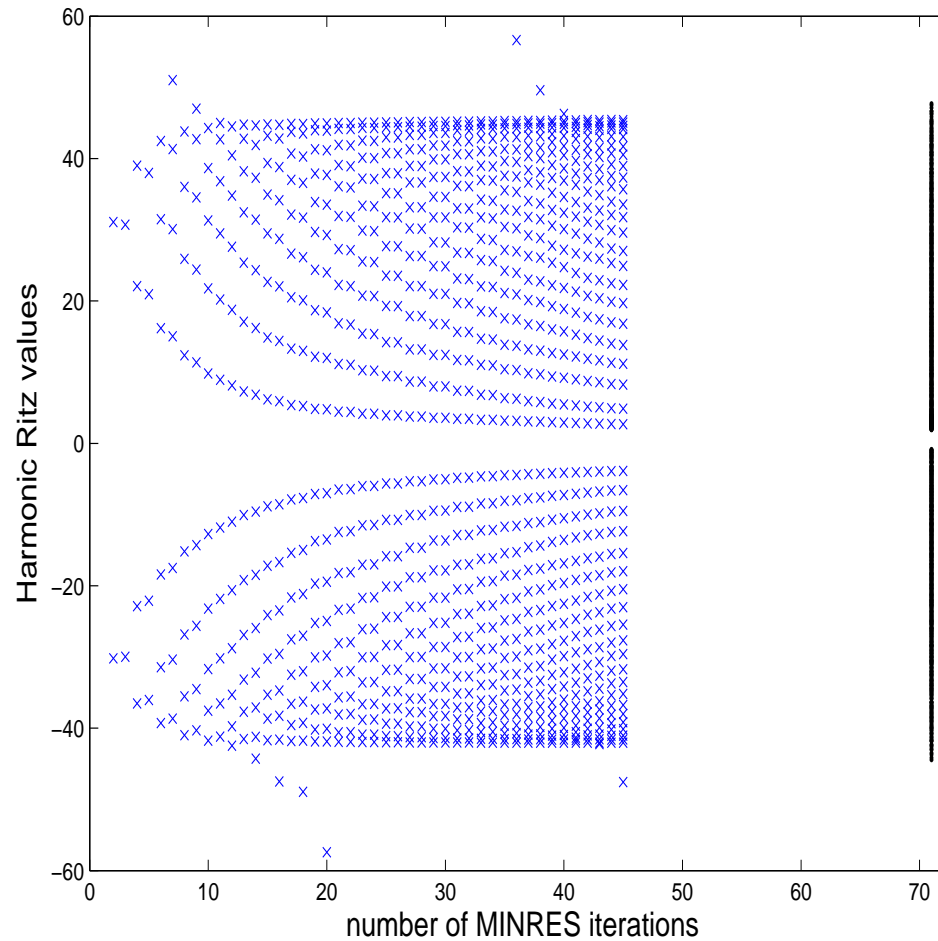
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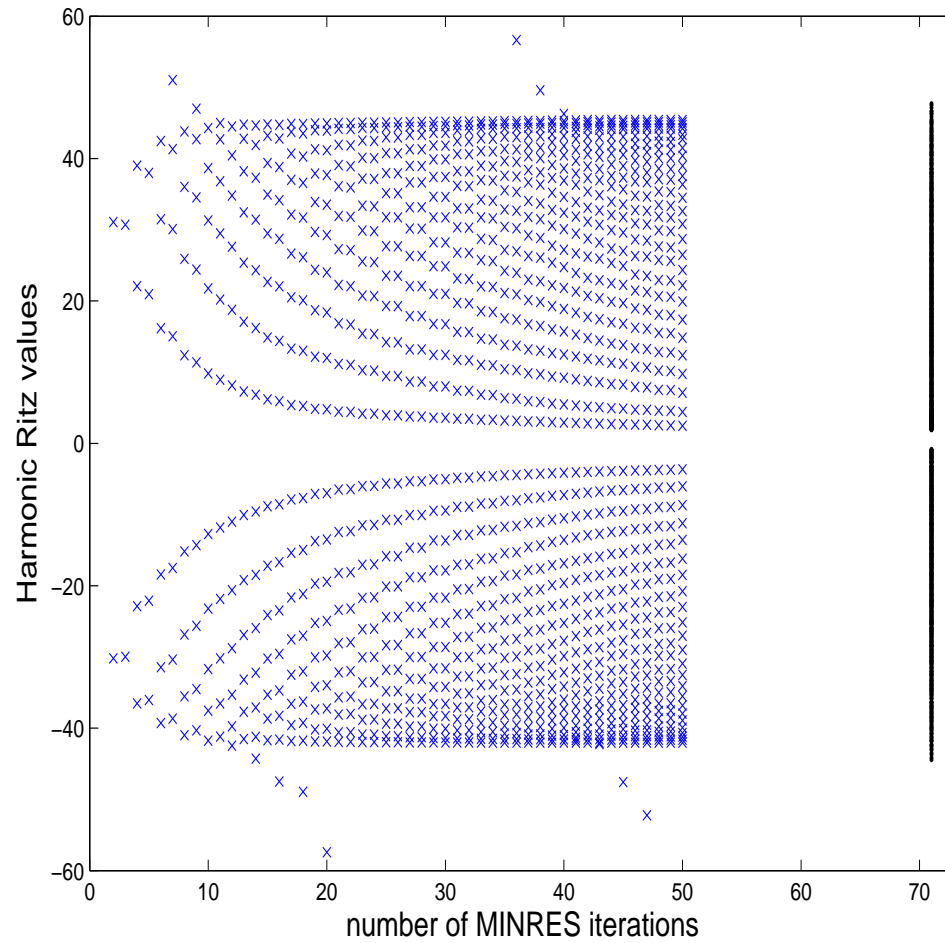
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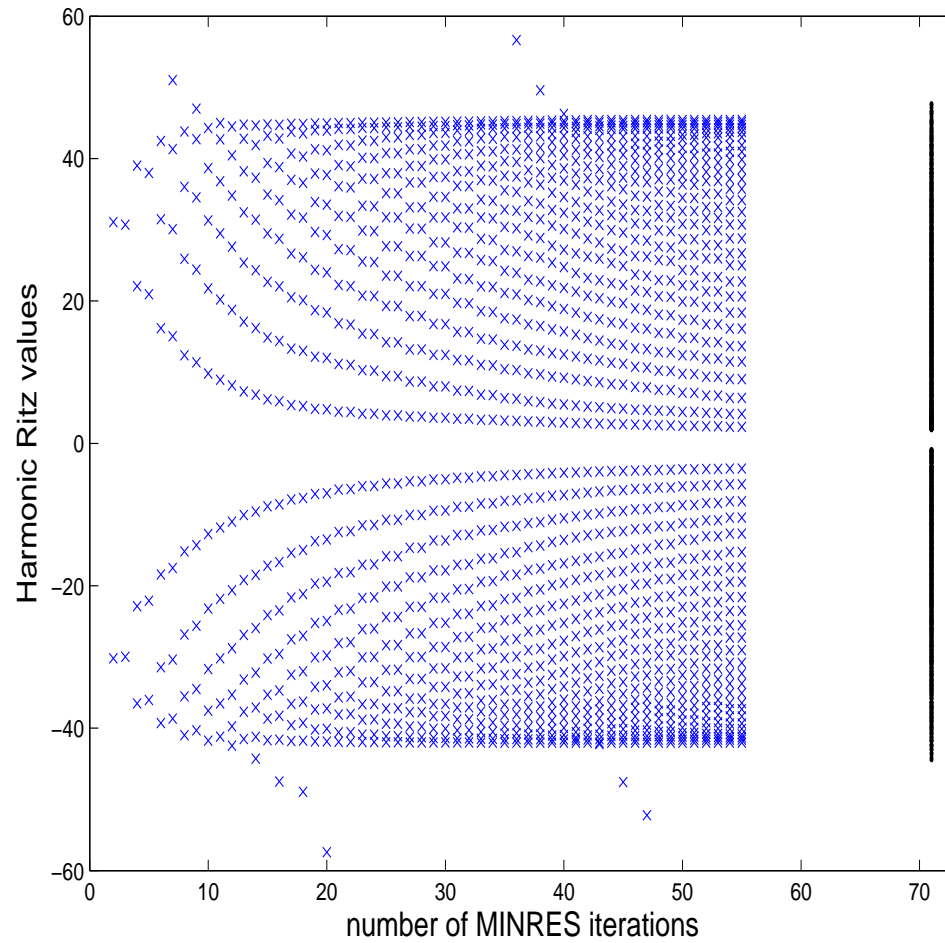
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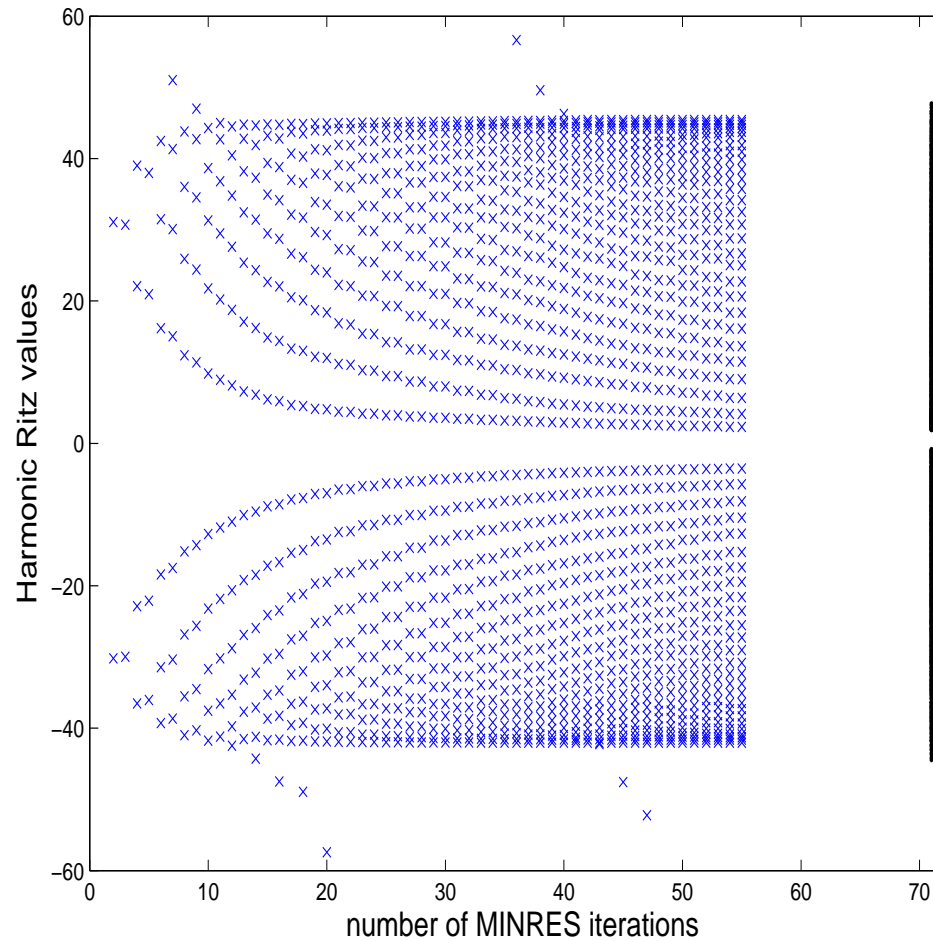
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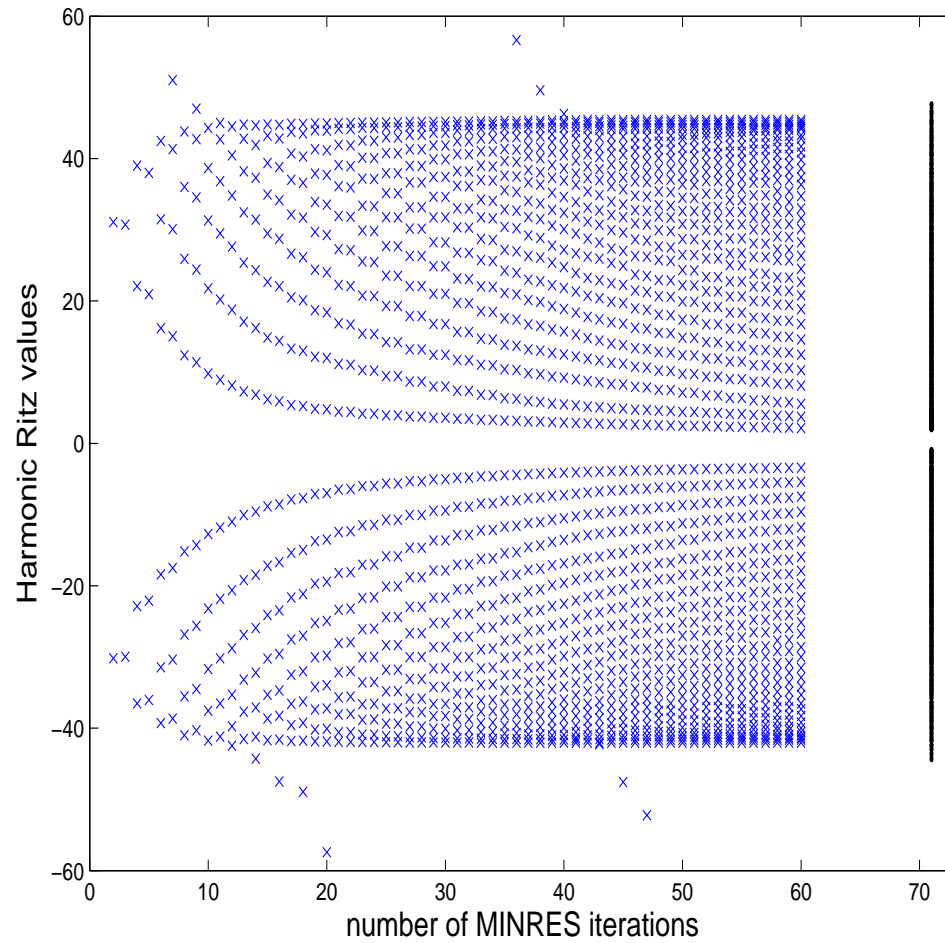
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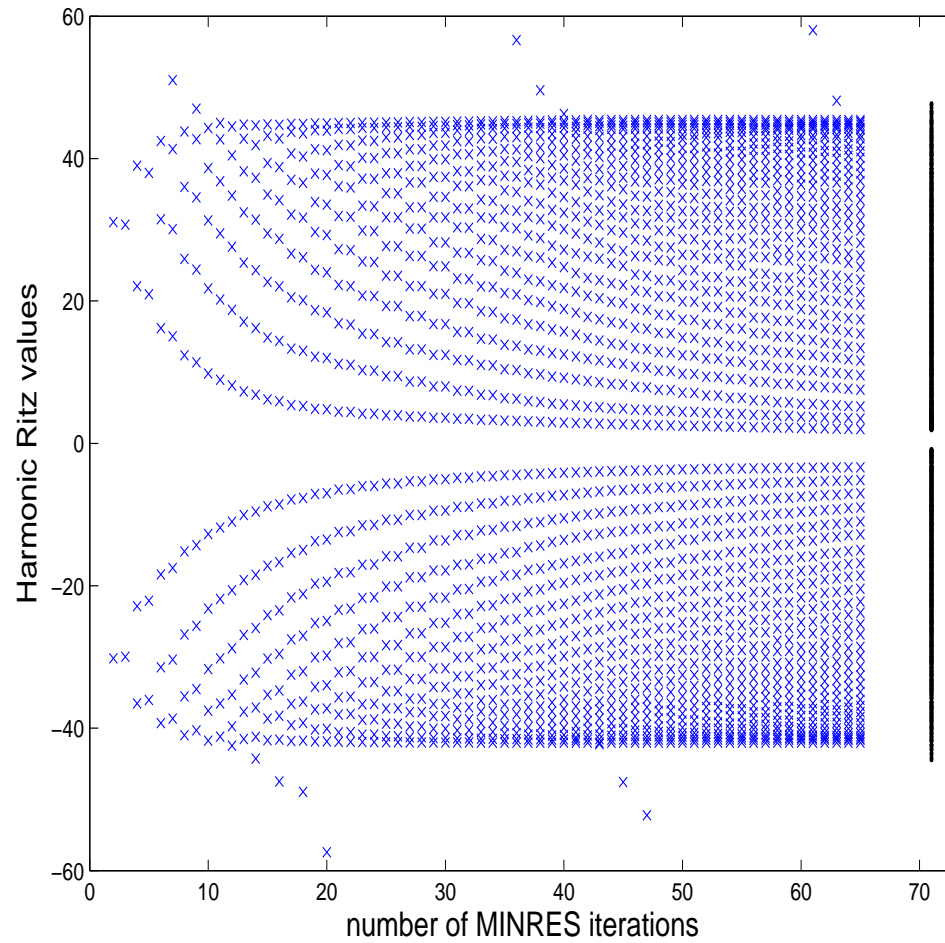
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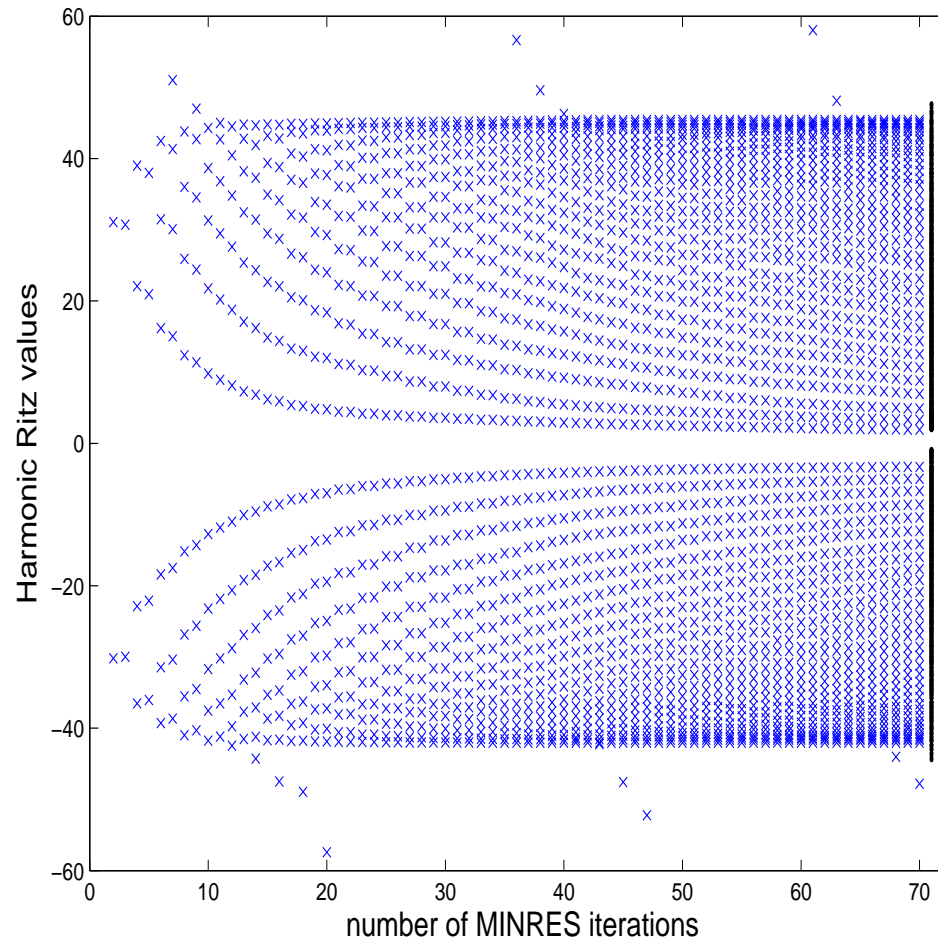
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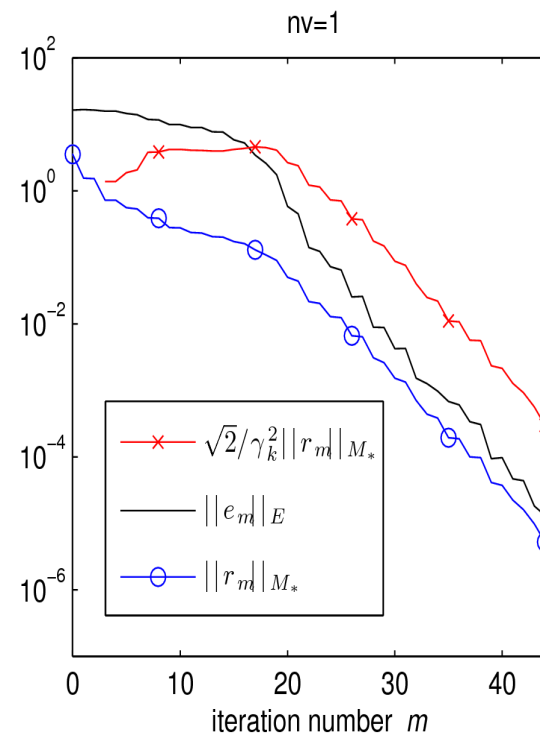
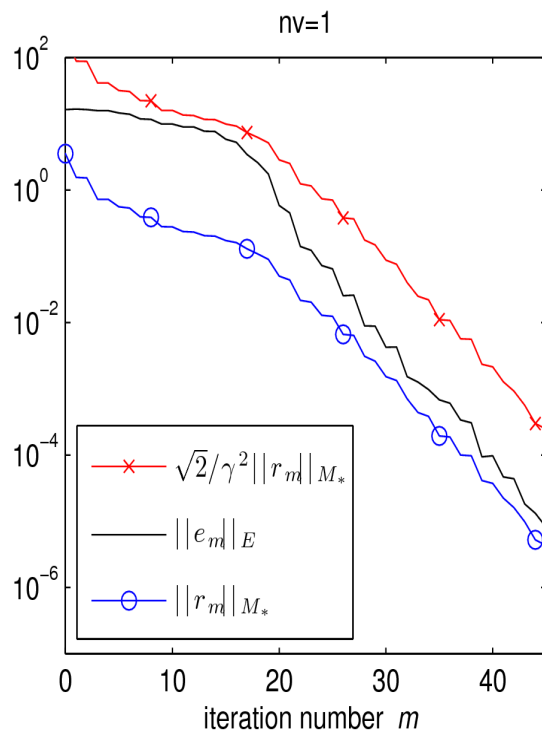
Another IFISS example. Flow over a step.

e_m : error at iteration m

r_m : residual at iteration m

Optimal γ

Adaptive γ_m



$$E = \mathcal{P}_{\text{ideal}}, \quad M_* = \mathcal{P}^{-1}$$

A model-based stopping criterion

If an a-posteriori discretization error estimate $\eta^{(m)}$ is available, namely

$$c\eta^{(m)} \leq \|\nabla(\vec{u} - \vec{u}_h^{(m)})\| + \|p - p_h^{(m)}\| \leq C\eta^{(m)}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

with $\frac{C}{c} = O(1)$

(Ainsworth, Oden, Kay, Silvester, Elman, Wathen, Liao, Jiránek, Strakoš, Vohralík, ...)

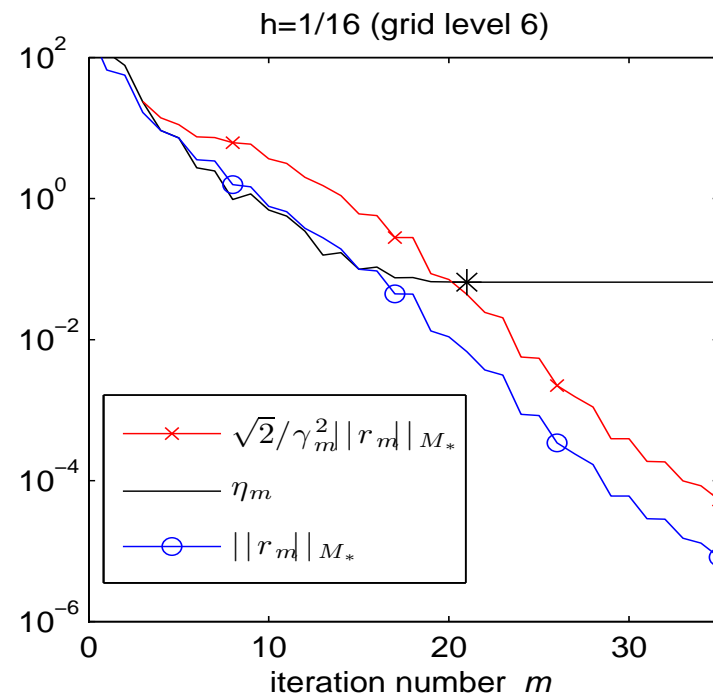
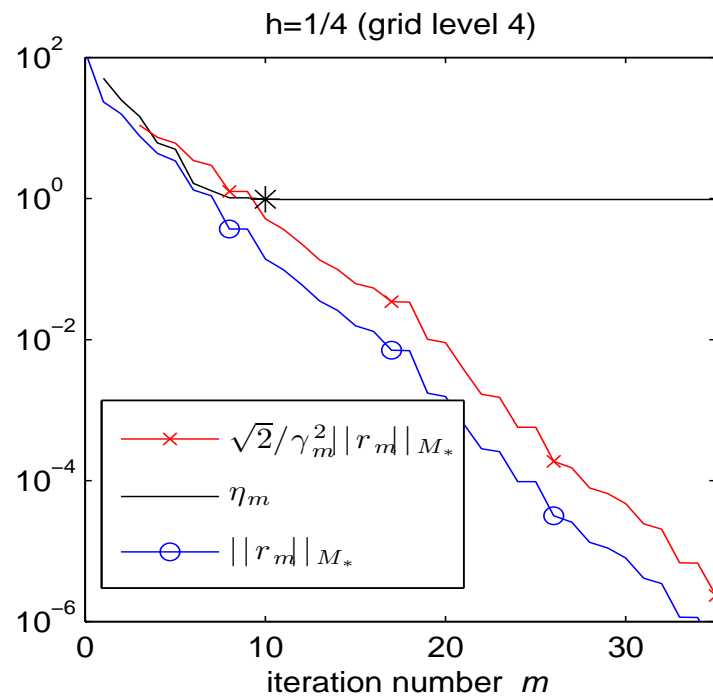
We can devise a stopping criterion:

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_m\|_{\mathcal{P}_{\text{ideal}}} \sim \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\gamma_m^2} \|\mathbf{b} - \mathcal{M}\mathbf{x}_m\|_{\mathcal{P}^{-1}} < \eta^{(m)}$$

A model-based stopping criterion

Another IFISS example. Smooth colliding flow.

r_m : residual at iteration m



$$M_* = \mathcal{P}^{-1}$$

Final consideration

Opening the black box may be rewarding, with a mutual gain

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