

A posteriori error estimates, stopping criteria, and adaptivity for two-phase flows

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Definition (Weak solution (Chen 2001))

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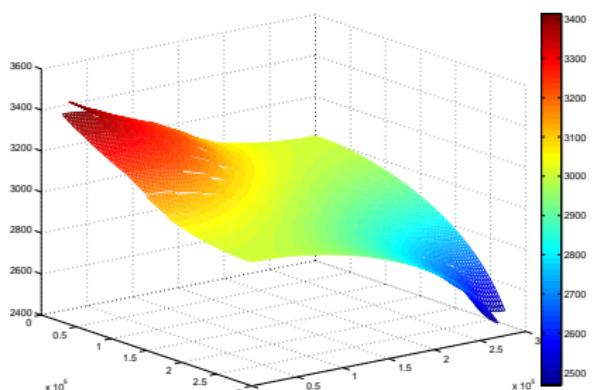
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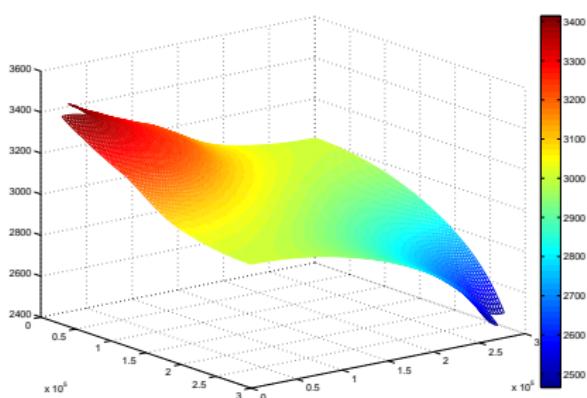
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Averaged approximate global
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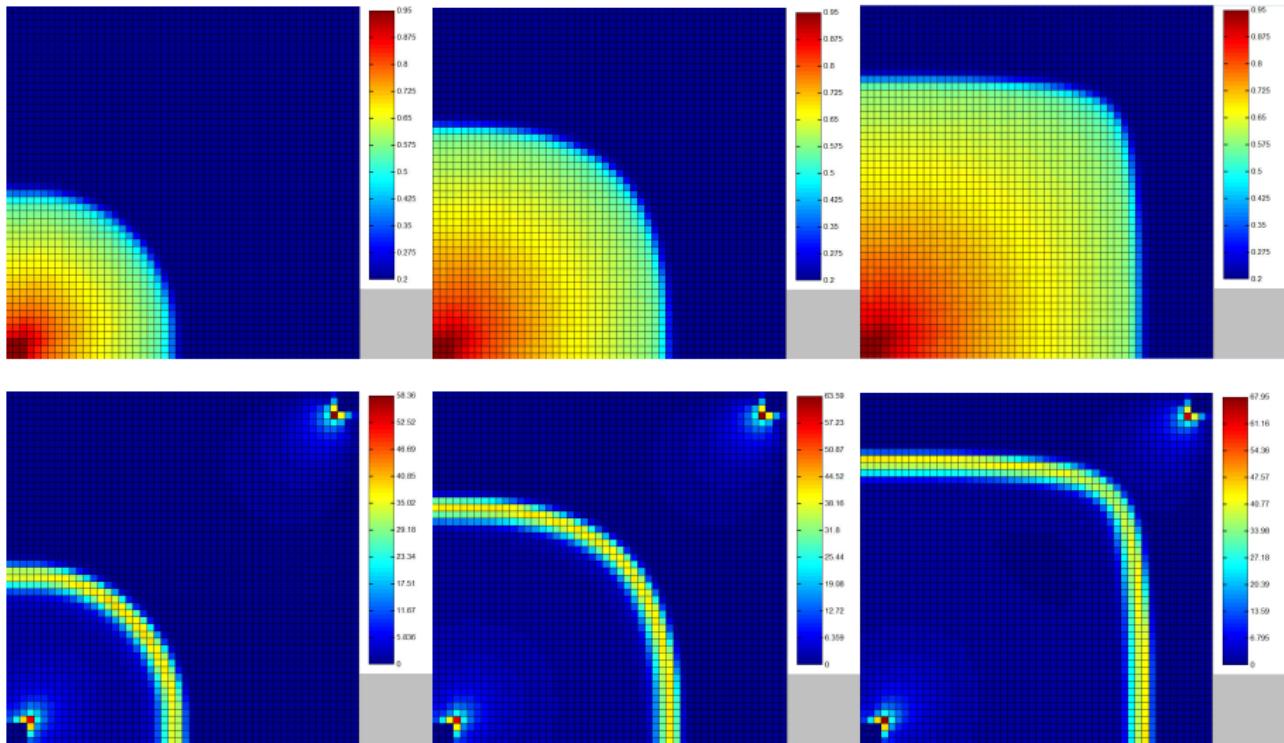
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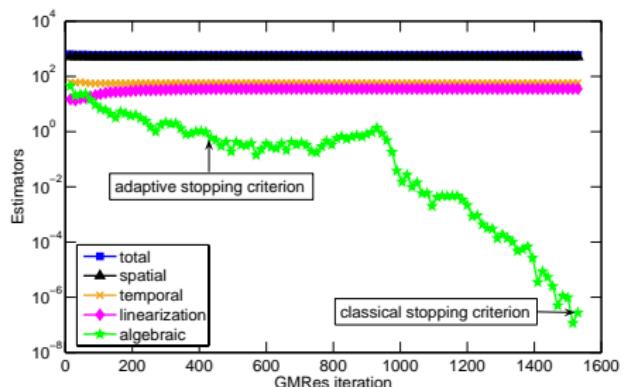
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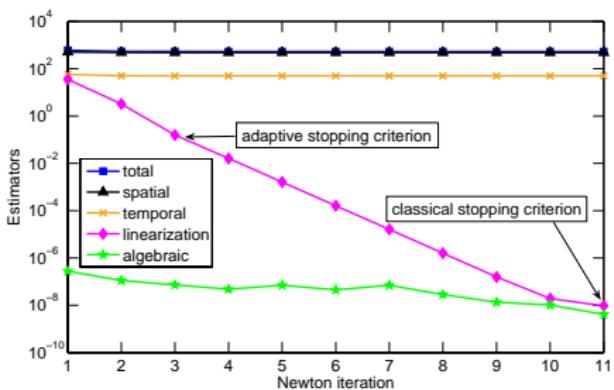
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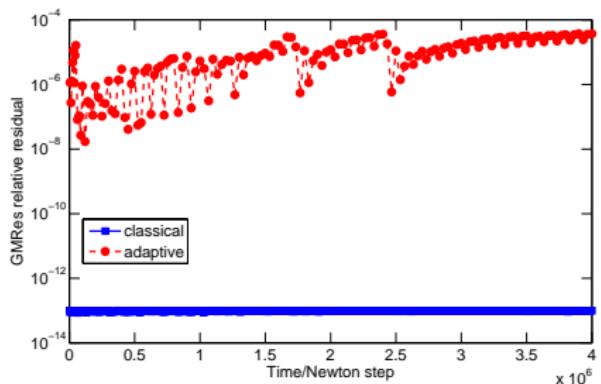


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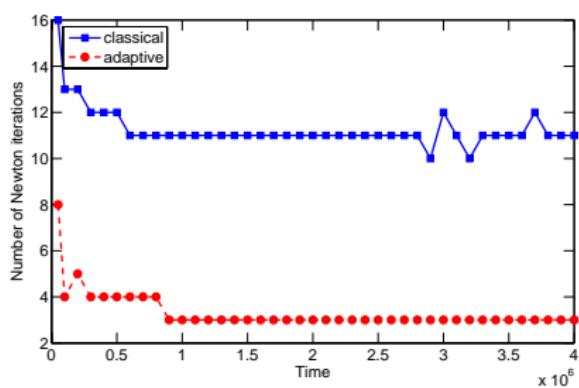


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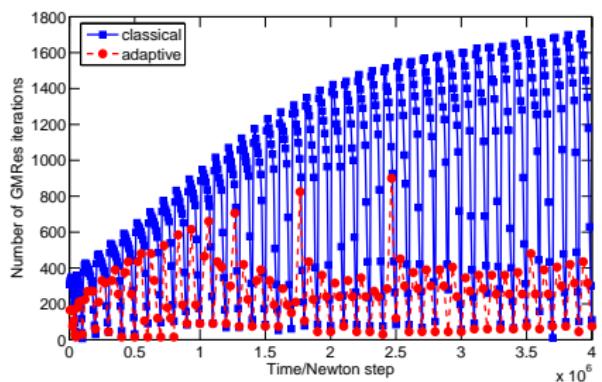


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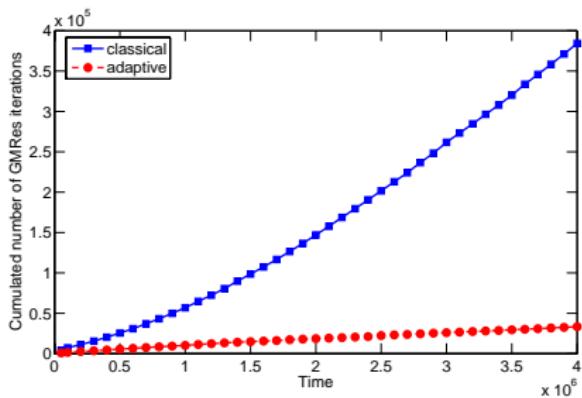


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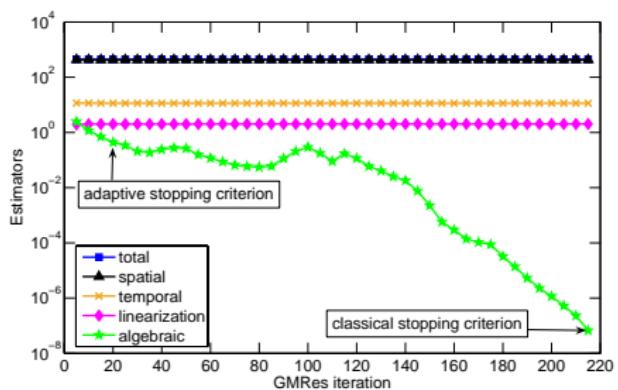
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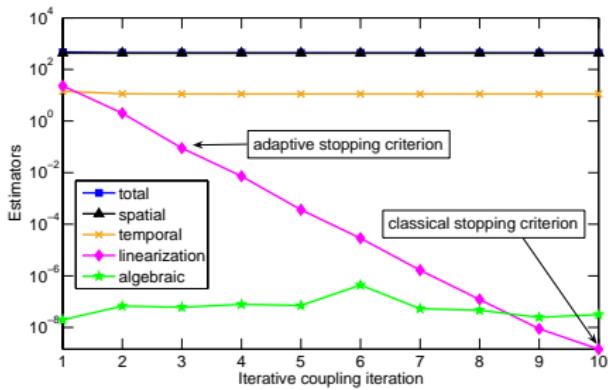
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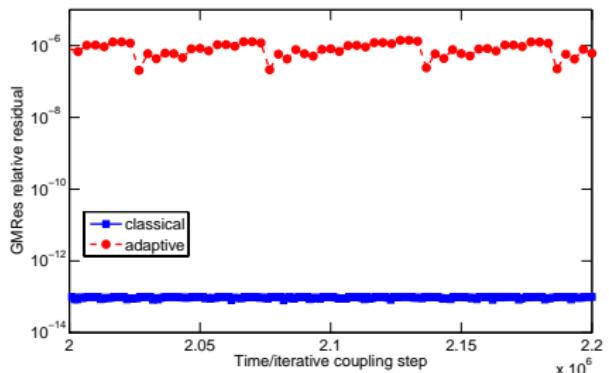


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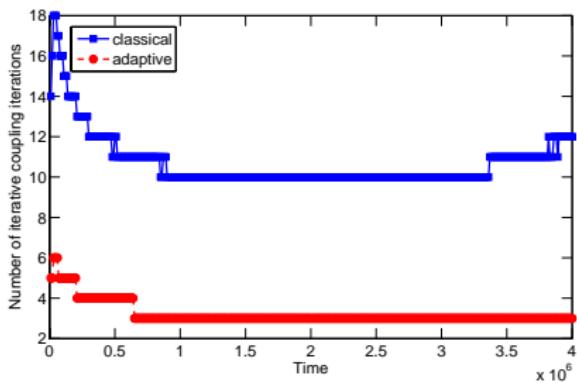


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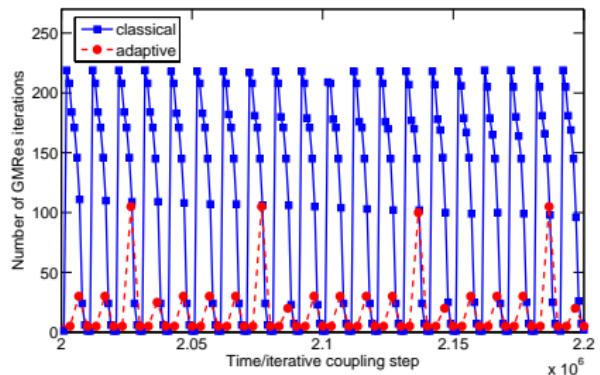


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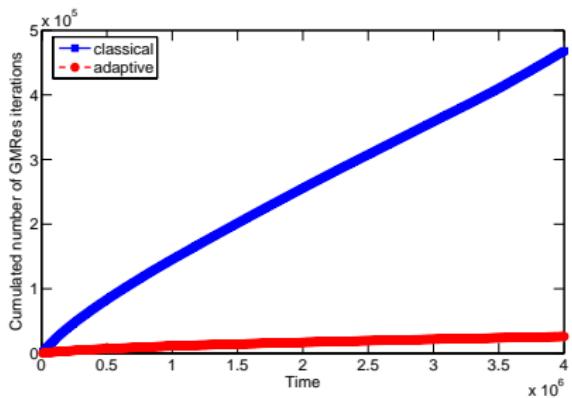


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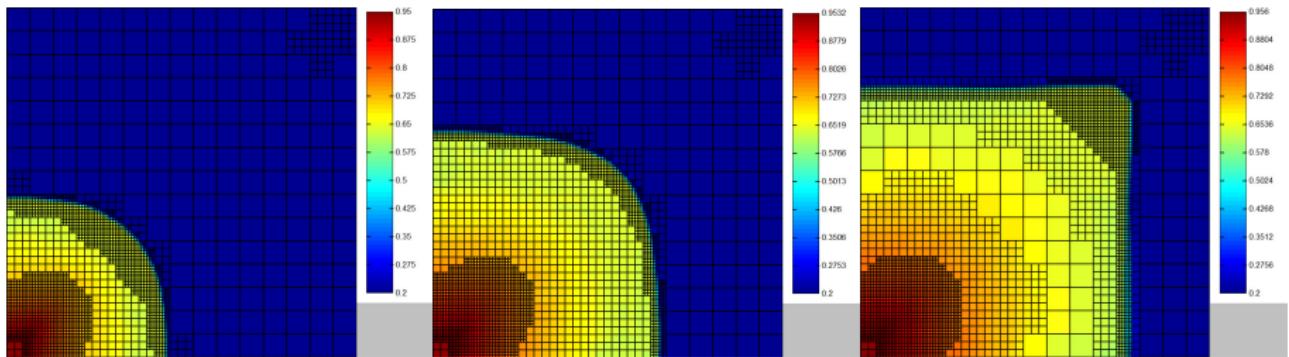


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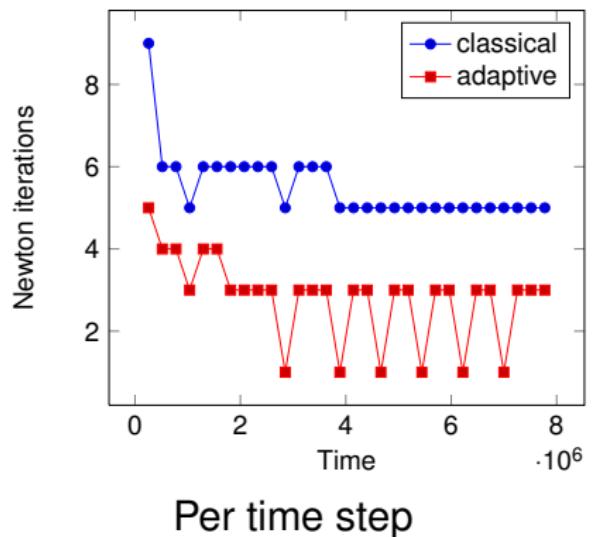
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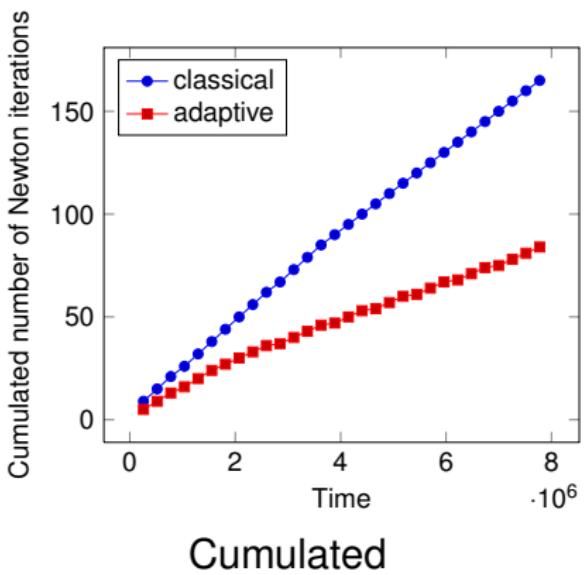
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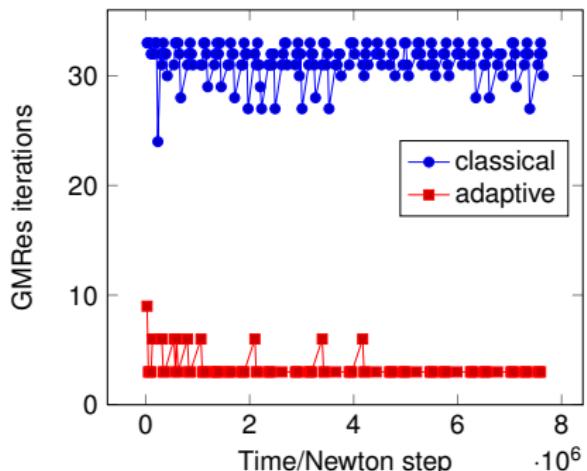


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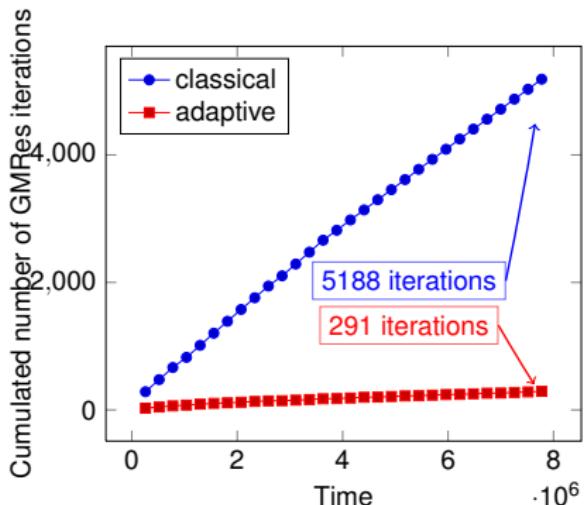


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