

# Examples

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[13]: include("notebook_init.jl")
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This notebook generates the figures in the paper *Complexity of Projected Gradient Methods for Strongly Convex Optimization with Hölder Continuous Gradient Terms* by X. Chen, C. T. Kelley, and L. Wang

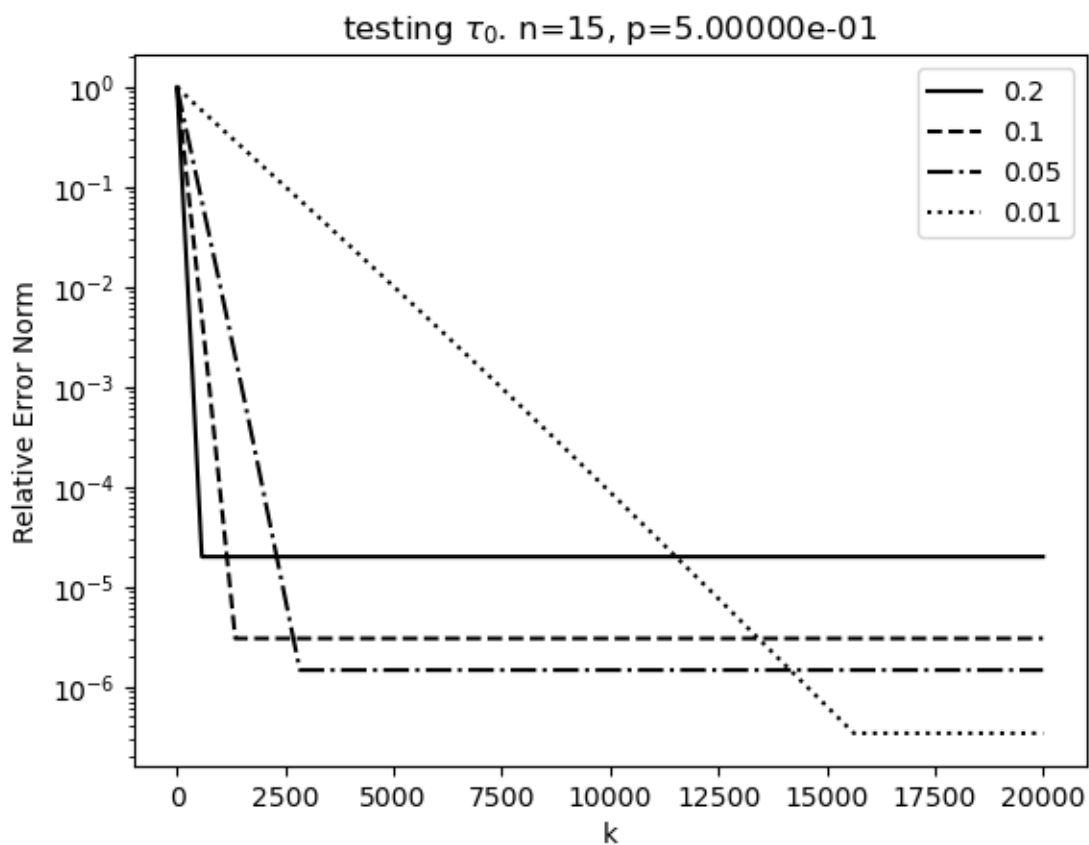
## Example 1

Generate Figures 1(a), 1(b), 2(a), and 2(b). These figures are for Algorithm 1. Figures 1(a) and 2(a) compare various stepsizes  $\tau = \tau_0 h^2$  which are consistent with the CFL condition. Figures 1(b) and 2(b) examine values of the exponent  $p$ .

The files for building the figures are in `/src/Figures`. The code is `Figures_Alg1.jl` and the functions `Figure1_2a` and `Figure1_2b`. The functions take the dimension as an argument.

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[14]: Figure1_2a(15);
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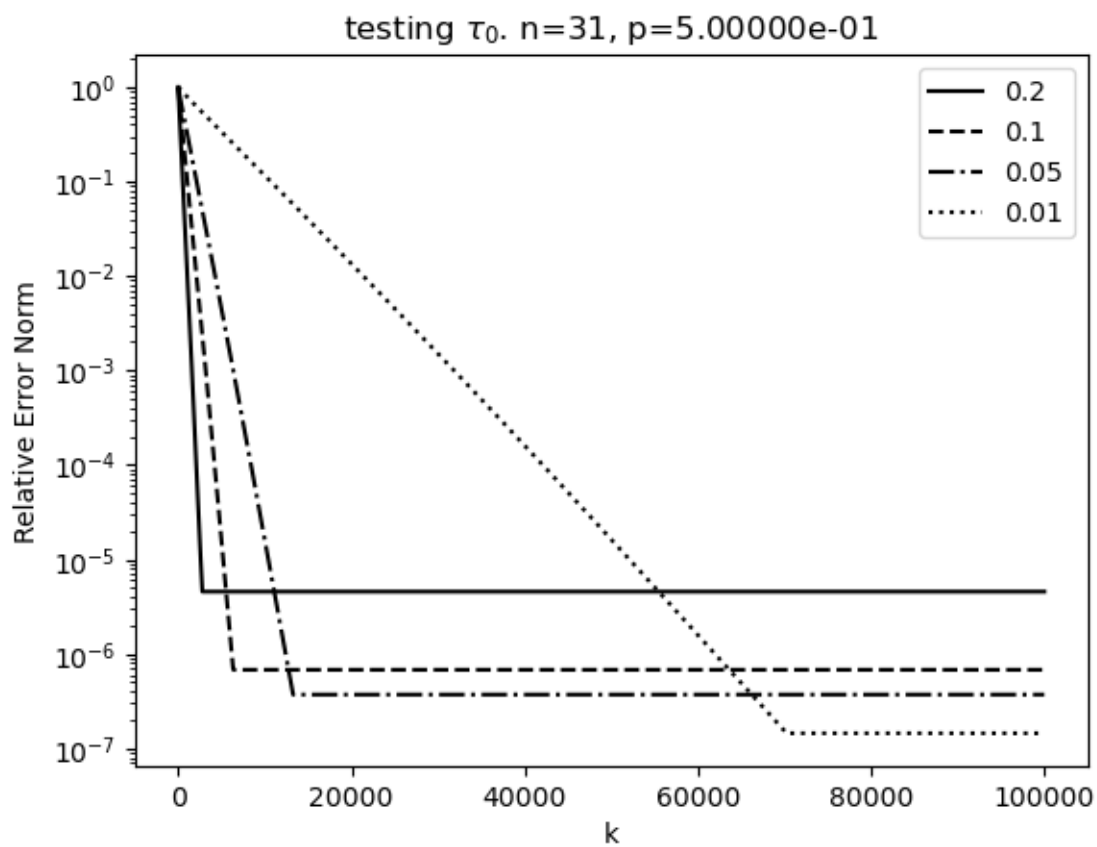
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testing $\tau_0$. n=15, p=5.00000e-01
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We run this again with a problem size of 31x31. This requires smaller stepsizes and the Lipschitz constant increases by a factor of four.

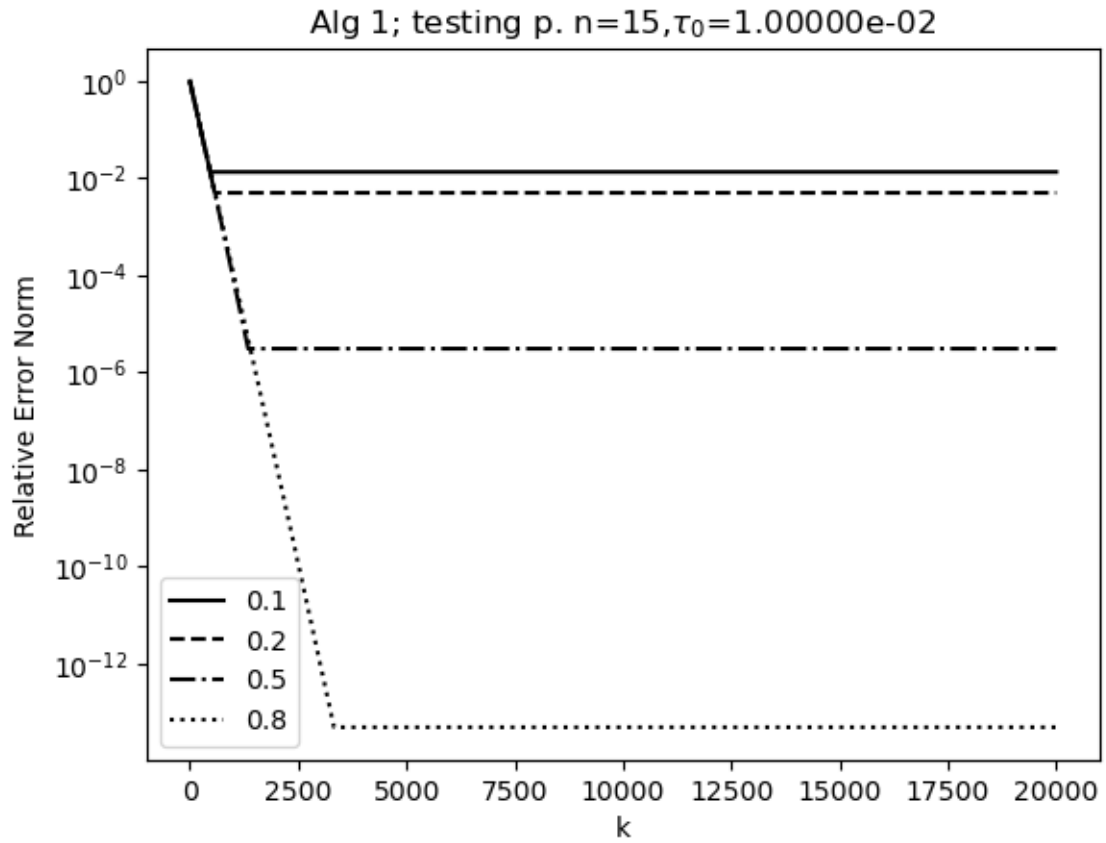
[15]: Figure1\_2a(31);

testing  $\tau_0$ .  $n=31$ ,  $p=5.00000e-01$



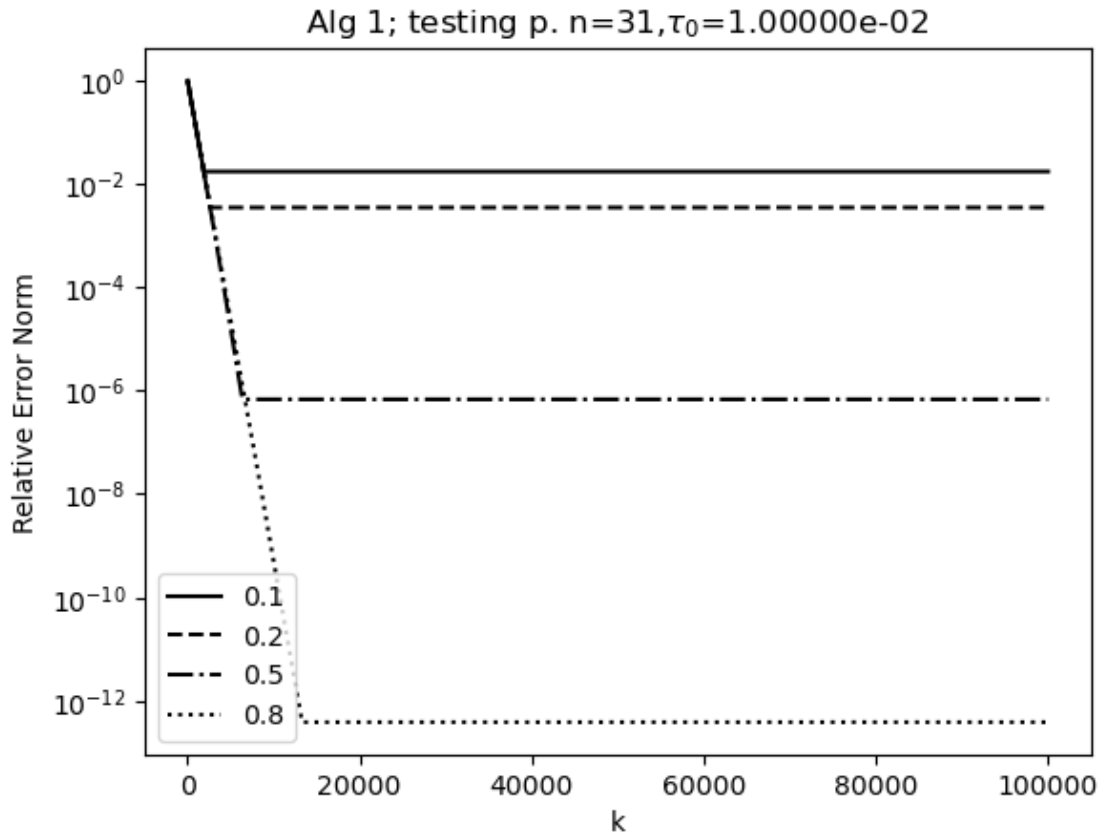
Now we compare the effects of changing the exponent  $p$ .

[16]: `Figure1_2b(15);`



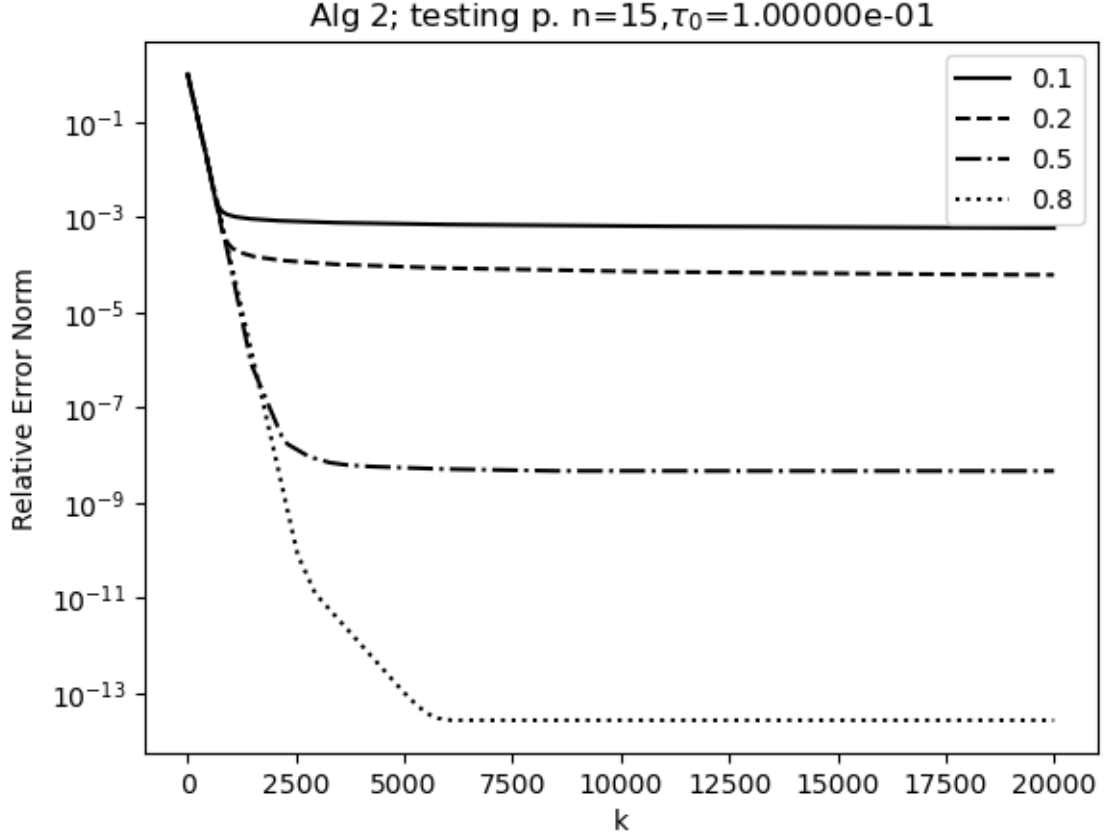
And finally repeat the computation for a 31x31 grid. This will complete the computations for Example 1 + Algorithm 1.

[17]: `Figure1_2b(31);`



The next example is Figure 3, which tests Algorithm 2. We start with  $\tau_0 = 1$  and let the line search work.

[18]: `Figure3(15);`

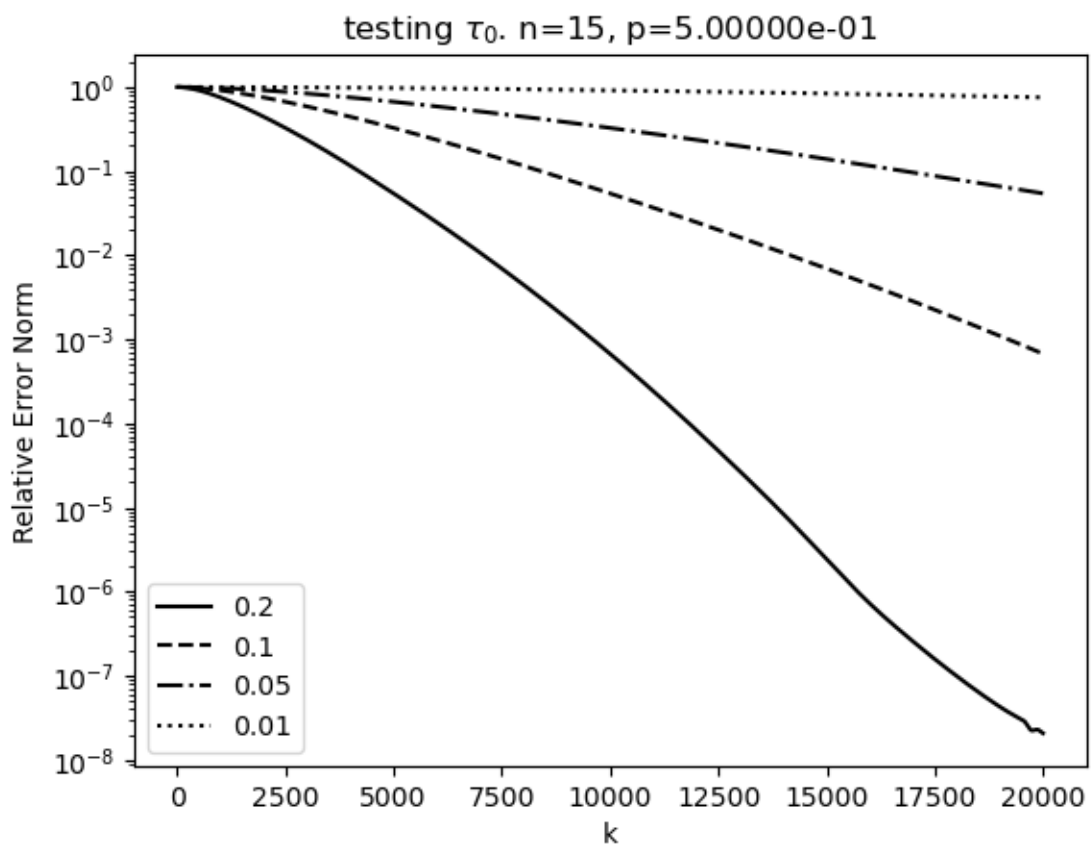


The advantage of the line search is that one does not have to manually adjust  $\tau_0$ .

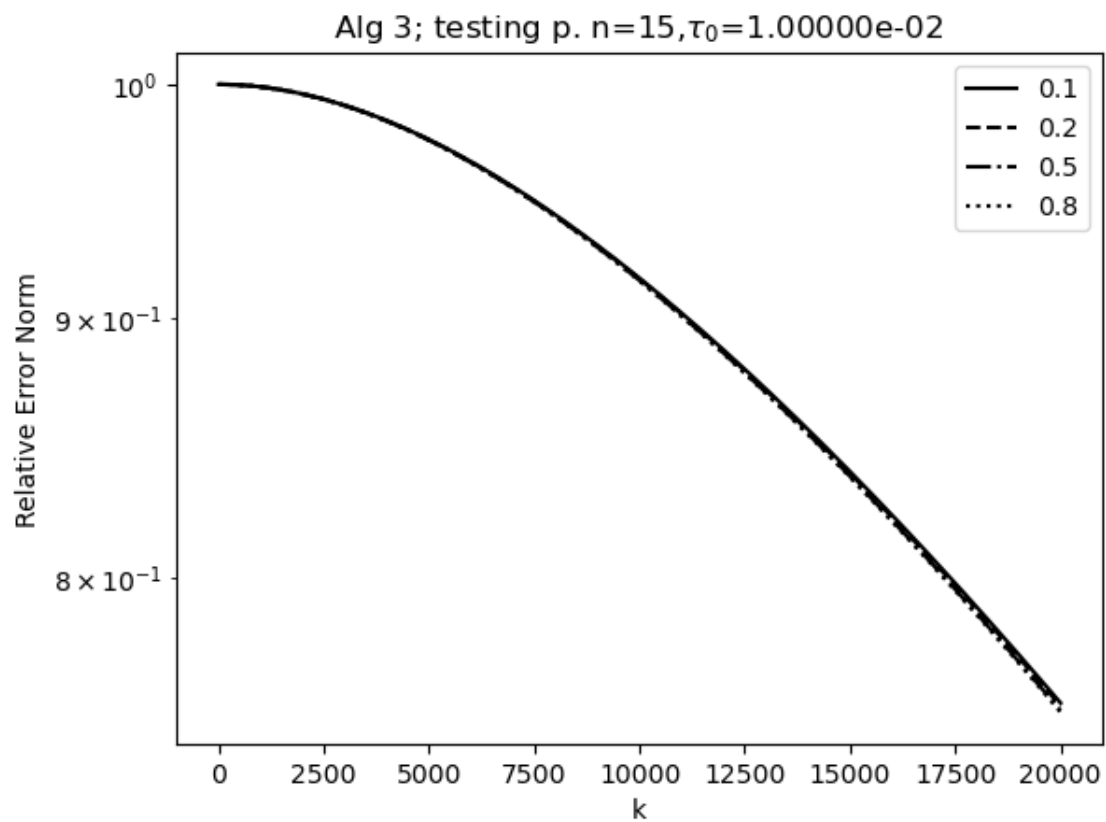
The results for Algorithm 3 are in Figures 4 and 5. We set  $\nu = \tau_0 h^2$  in these examples and will need to modify that to use the estimate in Remark 4.2. In the first two figures 4(a) and 4(b) use the values of  $\tau_0$  we use in Figure 1.

[19]: Figure4\_5a(15);

testing  $\tau_0$ . n=15, p=5.00000e-01



[20]: Figure4\_5b(15);

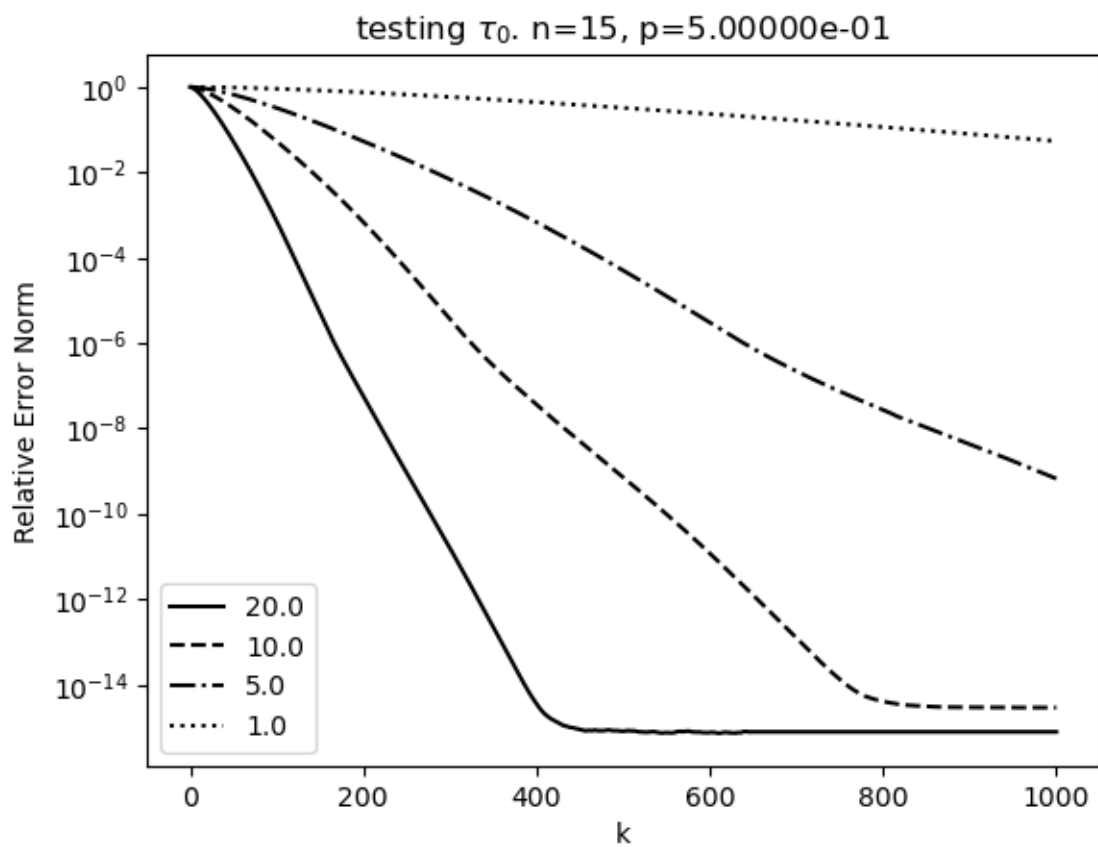


Now we use the larger values of  $\tau_0$ .

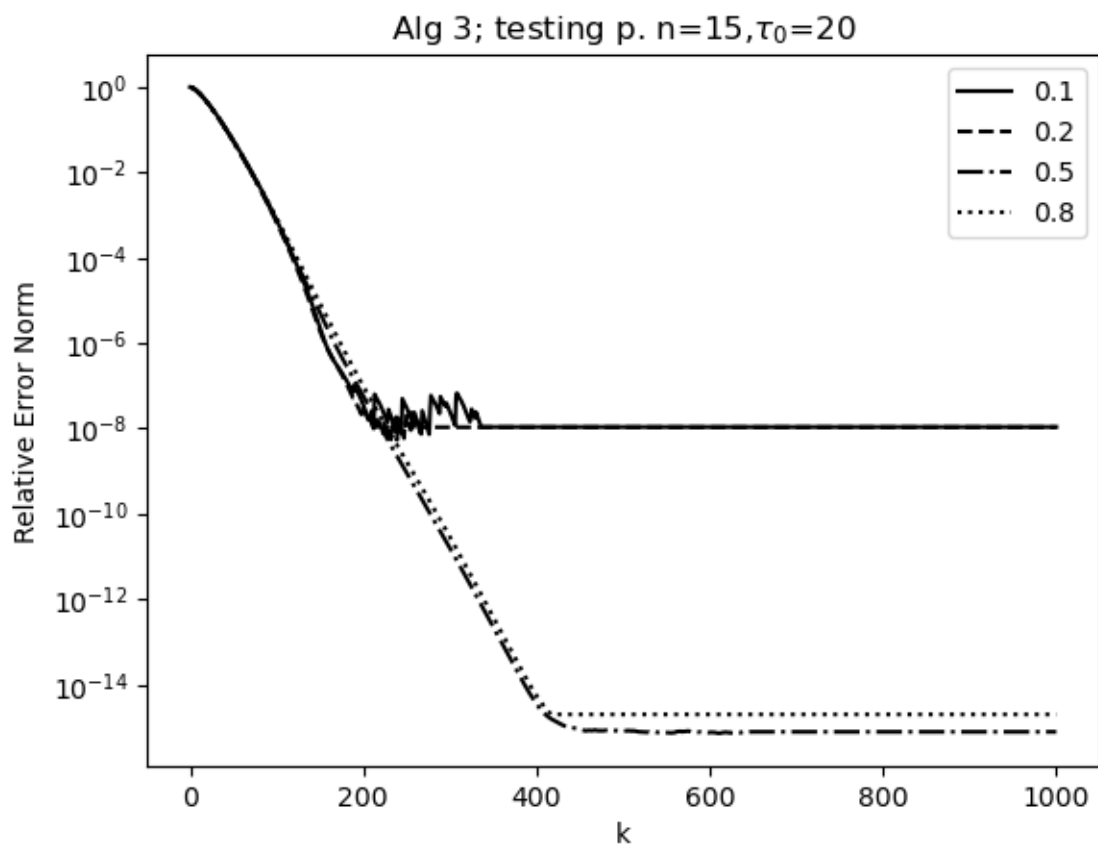
[21]: `Figure4_5a(15; maxit=1000, tauvec=[20.0, 10.0, 5.0, 1.0]);`

testing  $\tau_0$ .  $n=15, p=5.00000e-01$



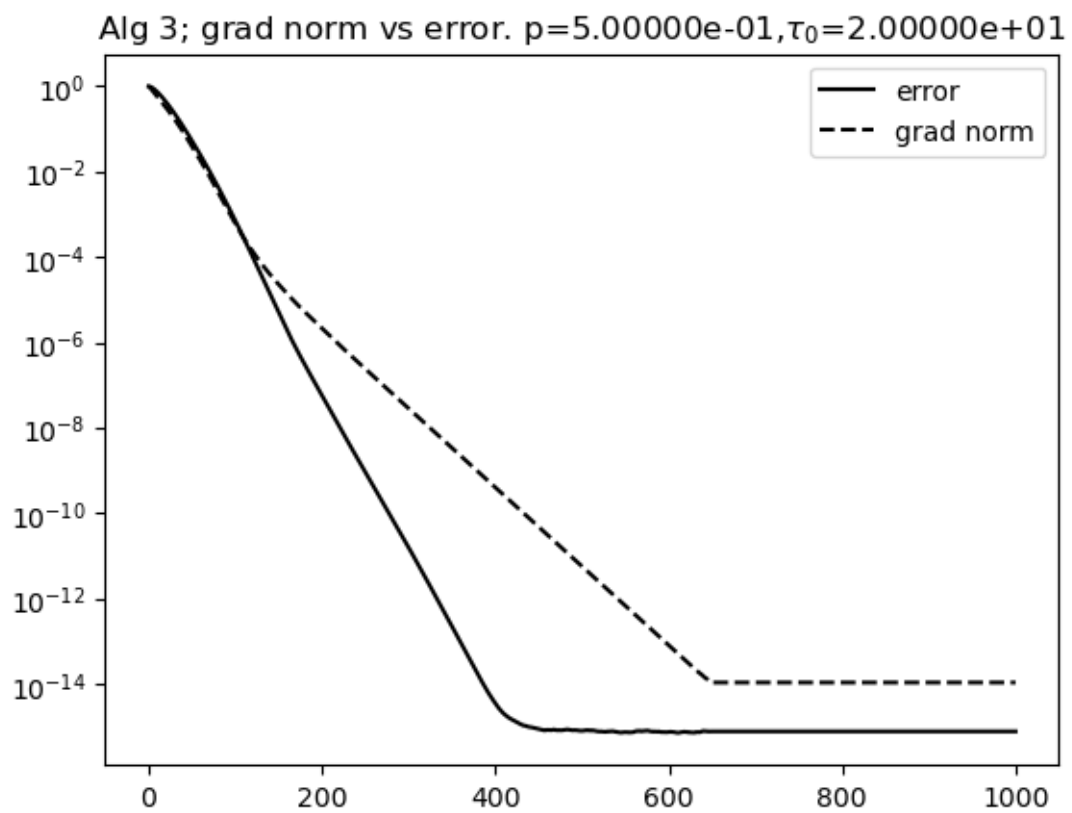


[22]: `Figure4_5b(15; maxit=1000, tau0=20);`



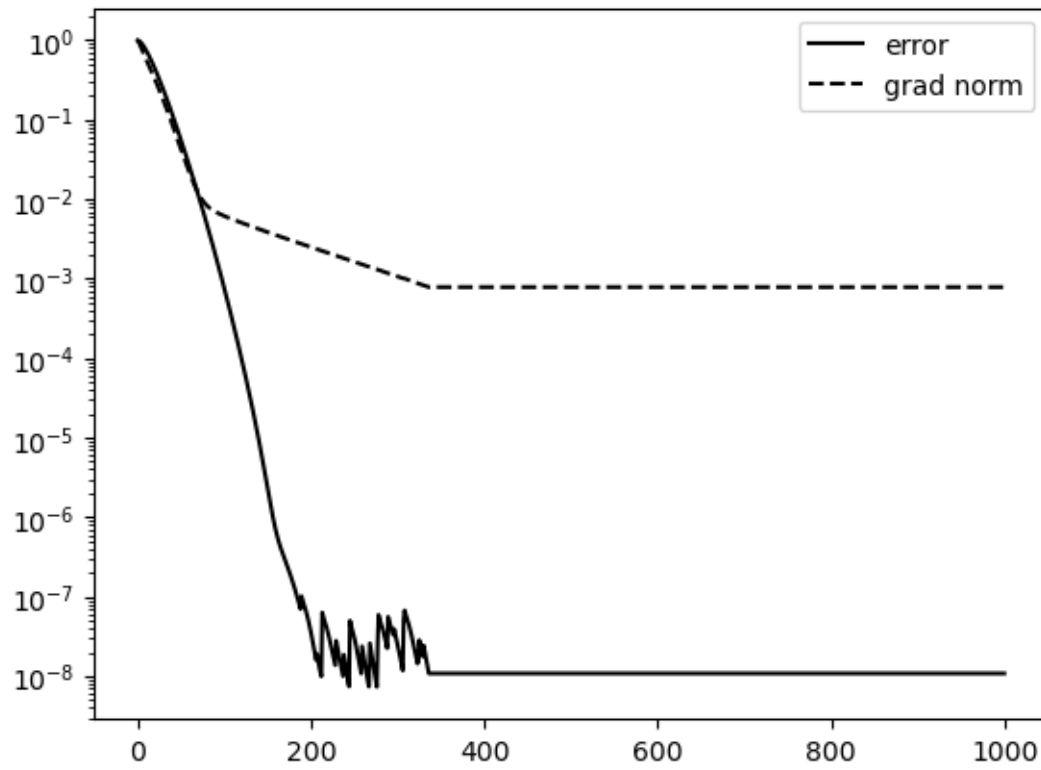
Figures 6ab compare the gradient norm to the error norm for  $p=.5$  and  $p=.01$ .

[23]: `Figure6ab(15);`



[24]: `Figure6ab(15; p=.1);`

Alg 3; grad norm vs error.  $p=1.00000e-01, \tau_0=2.00000e+01$



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