

# Time parallelised Waveform Relaxation for Field/Circuit Coupled Systems

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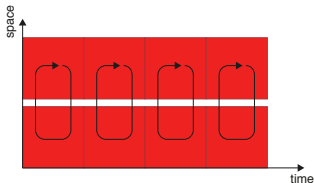
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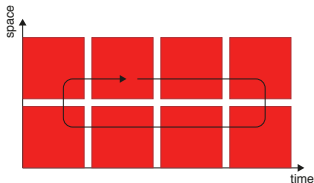
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- Let us call  $\mathcal{F}$  the **fine propagator** and a less accurate  $\mathcal{G}$  **coarse propagator**, e.g., Euler using  $\Delta t \gg \delta t$ .

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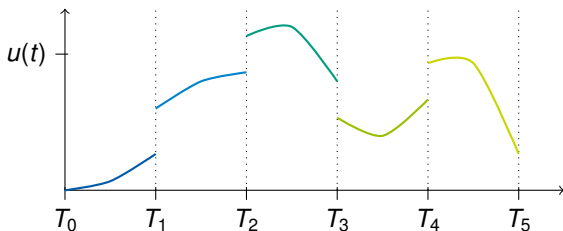
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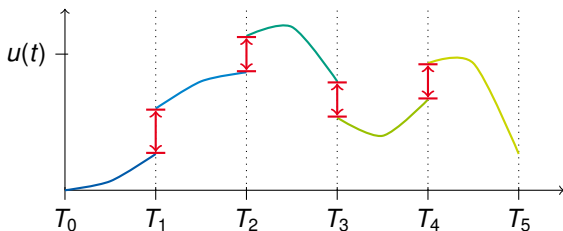
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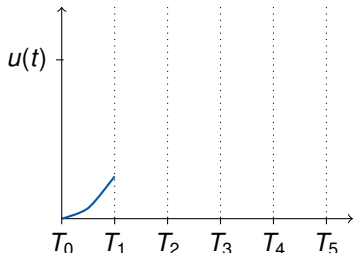
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$\mathcal{F}$  uses only **previous solution** → can be run in parallel

$\mathcal{G}$  uses **current solution** → cannot be run in parallel but is cheap

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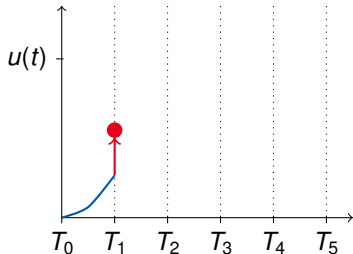
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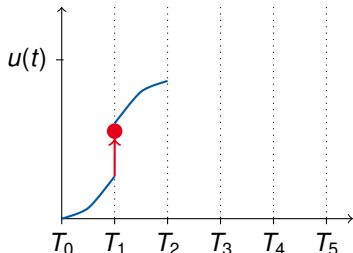
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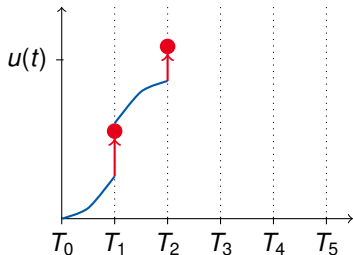
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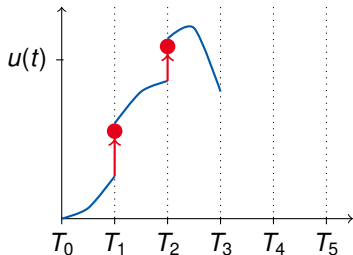
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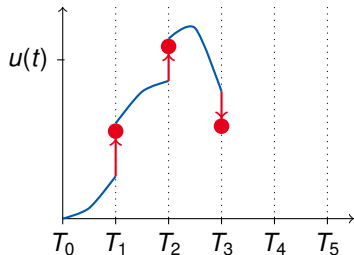
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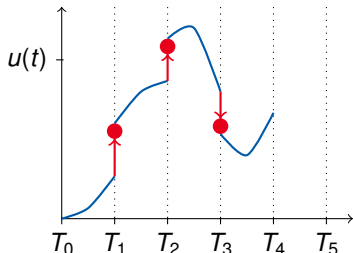
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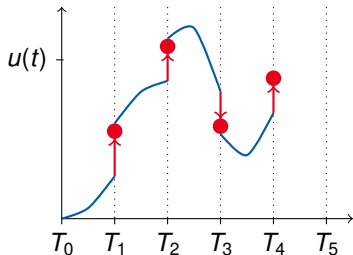
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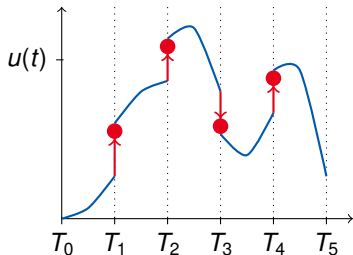
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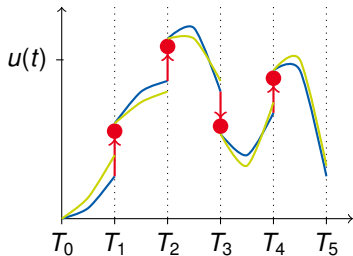
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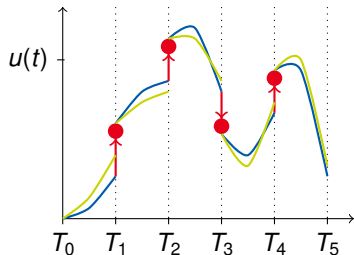
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Terminates at latest after iteration  $k = n$ .

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## Application to Field/Circuit Coupled Problems

- Field/circuit coupled problem consists of the following subproblems
  - an electric network problem
  - (multiple) field problems, coupled via currents  $i_m$  and voltages  $v_m$
- During Waveform-Relaxation (WR) each field model is represented by

$$v_m = L_m d_t i_m + \text{correction.}$$

- **Idea:** use a simplified coarse propagation  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  that disregards corrections, i.e. solve the circuit with (linearized) inductances

$$\tilde{v}_m = L_m d_t \tilde{i}_m$$

while  $\mathcal{F}$  still uses WR to solve the fully coupled problem

- if field problems are **fast** then this is similar to Micro-Macro Parareal<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>F. Legoll, T. Lelièvre, and G. Samaey. A Micro-Macro Parareal Algorithm: Application to Singularly Perturbed Ordinary Differential Equations. SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing 35.4 (2013).

## A Micro-Macro Parareal algorithm

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while  $\max_n \|\mathbf{U}_n^{(k)} - \mathbf{U}_n^{(k-1)}\| > tol$  do  
  for  $n \leftarrow 1$  to  $n_{\text{cpu}}$  do  
    circuit solver:  $\bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k)} \leftarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(T_n, T_{n-1}, \mathbf{U}_{n-1}^{(k)});$   
    Newton:  $\mathbf{U}_n^{(k)} \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k)} + \bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k-1)} - \bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k-1)};$   
  end  
  parfor  $n \leftarrow 1$  to  $n_{\text{cpu}}$  do  
    upscale: solve a magnetostatic problem to obtain  $\bar{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k)}$  from  $\bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k)};$   
    consistent Newton:  $\mathbf{Y}_n^{(k)} \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k)} + \bar{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k-1)} - \bar{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k-1)};$   
    WR solver:  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k)} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}(T_n, T_{n-1}, \mathbf{Y}_{n-1}^{(k)});$   
    downscale: extract circuit variables  $\bar{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(k)}$  from  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_n^{(k)};$   
  end  
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end
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- In the limit case ( $\rightarrow \infty$ ) the problem is purely algebraic (static)

$$0 = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{r}(t)$$

which to represent field problems by inductances  $L = -\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{X}$ .<sup>3</sup>

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## Trying to be less hand-waving

- Split the equation into parts

$$\begin{aligned}d_t \mathbf{u}_1 &= \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{12} \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{12} \mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1 i \\ \mathbf{0} &= \mathbf{K}_{21} \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{K}_{22} \mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{X}_2 i \\ \Phi &= \mathbf{X}_1^\top \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2^\top \mathbf{u}_2\end{aligned}$$

- Let's exploit the Schur complement to have finite stiffness

$$d_t \mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{K}}_{11} \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 i$$

with  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{11} = \mathbf{K}_{11} - \mathbf{K}_{12} \mathbf{K}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{21}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 := \mathbf{X}_1^\top - \mathbf{X}_2^\top \mathbf{K}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{21}$  and coupling equation

$$\Phi = \bar{\mathbf{X}}_1^\top \mathbf{u}_1 + L_2 i$$

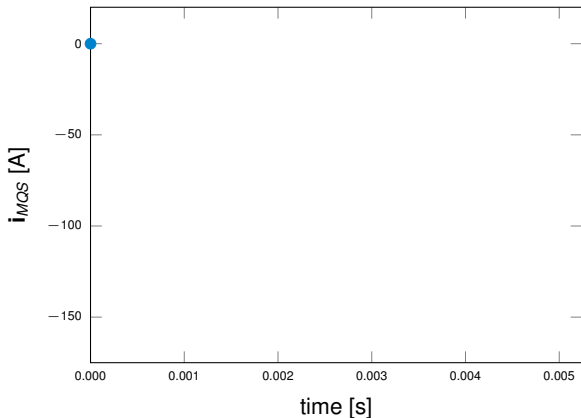
and 'free space' inductance  $L_2 := -\mathbf{X}_2^\top \mathbf{K}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2$ .

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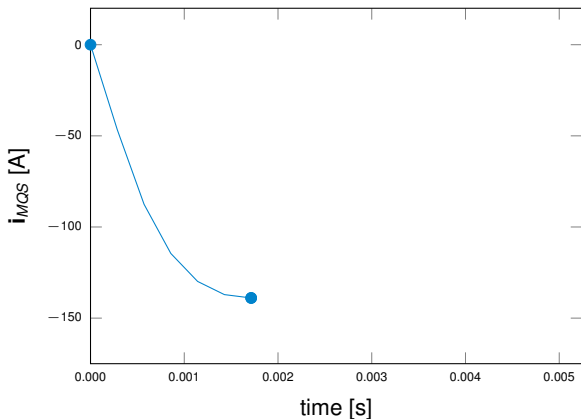
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Original initial value



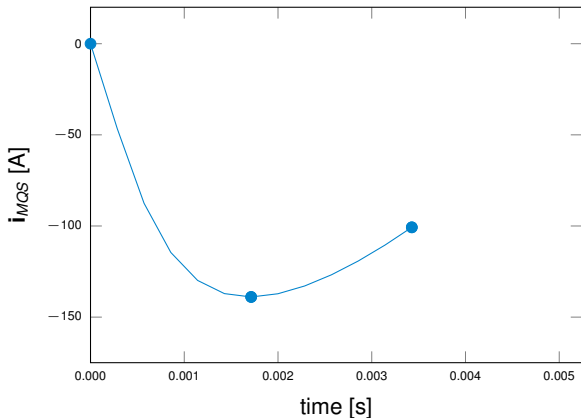
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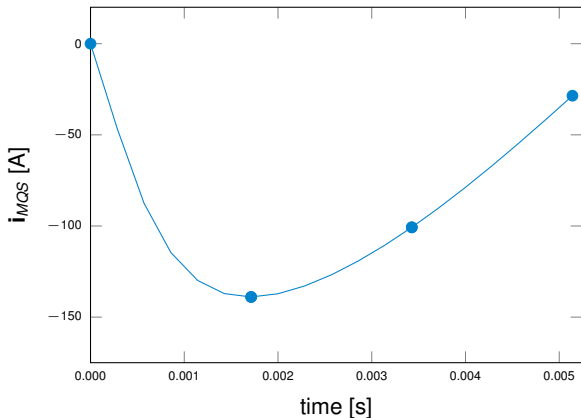
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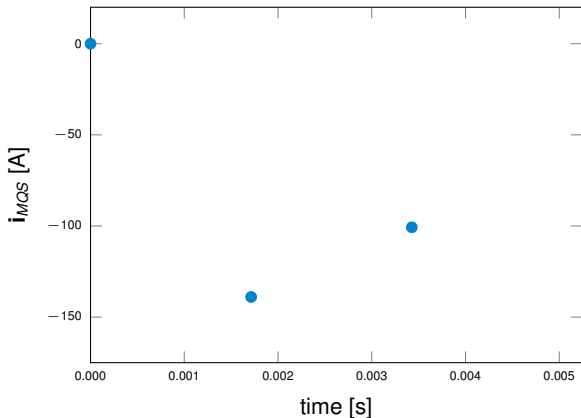
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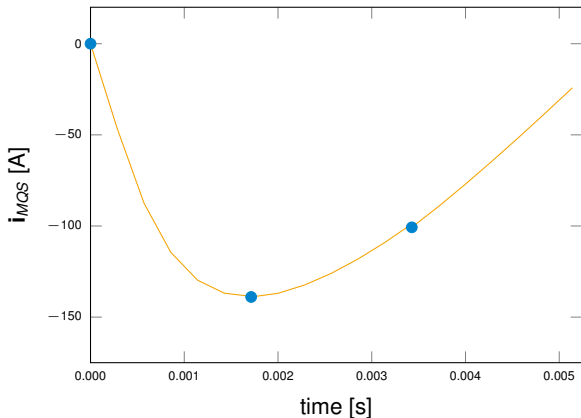
Fine:  
initial values





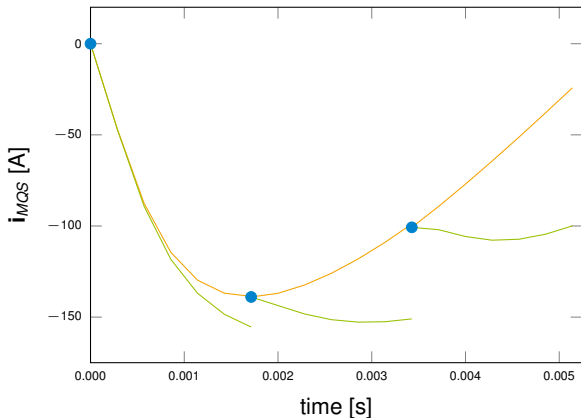
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Fine:  
extrapolation from coarse



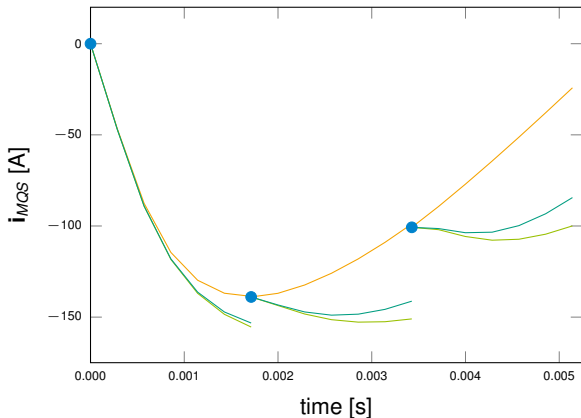
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Fine:  
WR iteration 1



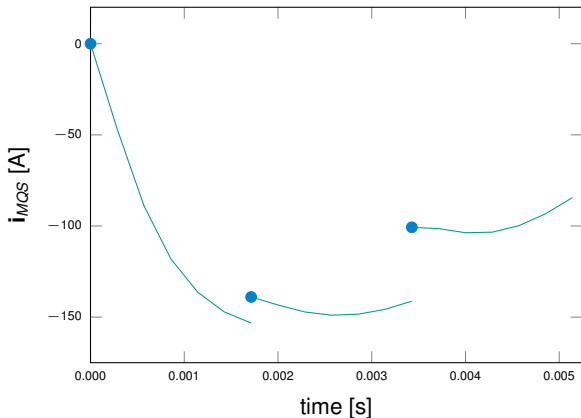
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Fine:  
WR iteration 2



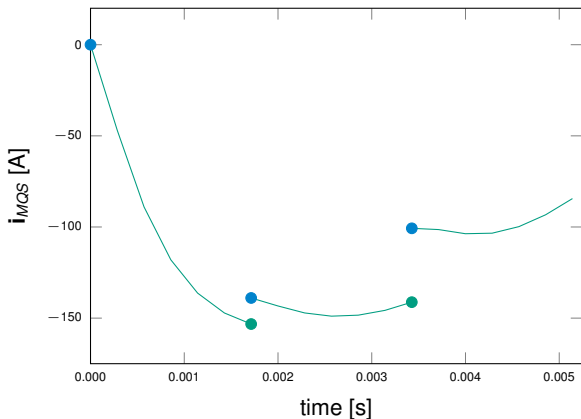
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Fine:  
WR converged



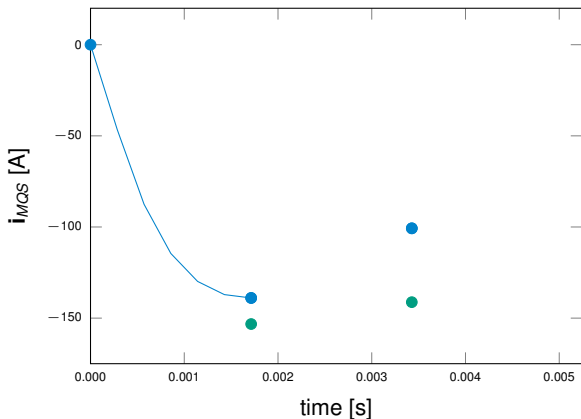
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Fine:  
get circuit variables



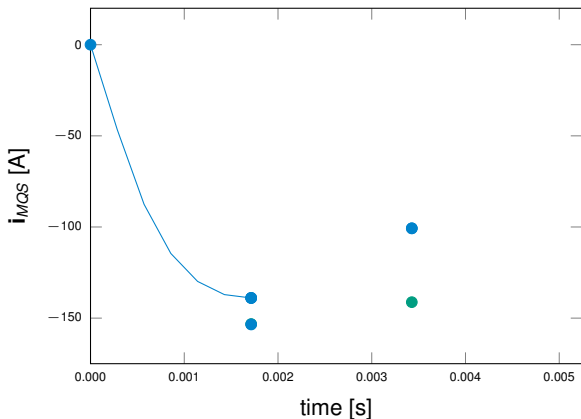
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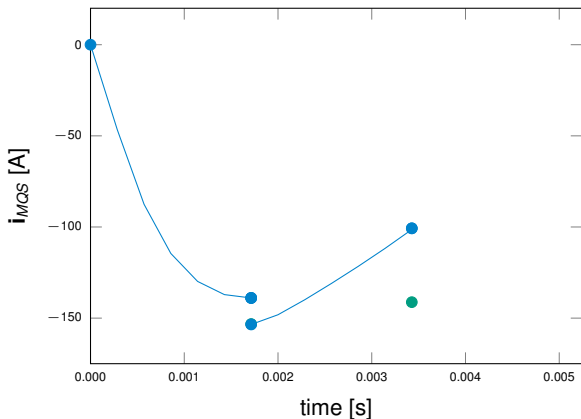
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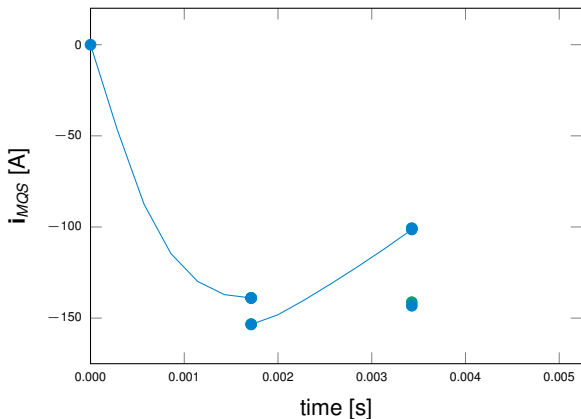
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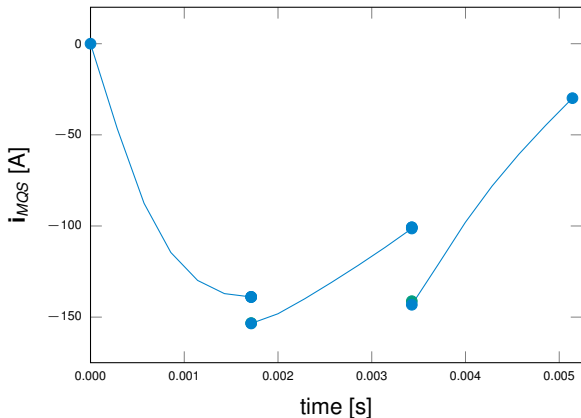
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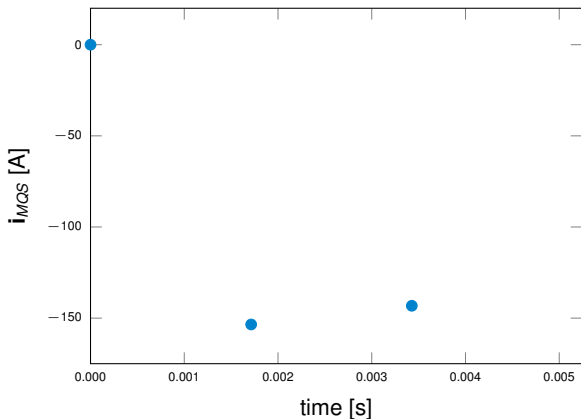
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circuit solver



## Animation of Micro-Macro Parareal using a Toy Example

Fine:  
new initial values  
...start WR again...



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## Summary and Outlook

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- Micro-Macro Parareal seems to work well for field/circuit coupled problems
- The only additional burden is the solution of static system for the initial values
  - this can be parallelized
  - the system matrix is the same as used for the inductance extraction
- there are currently two nested iterations for Parareal (outer loop) and waveform relaxation (inner loop)
- initial tests by the student group show that one can probably get rid of the inner loop, such that Parareal takes care of the convergence
- in this combined setting, convergence cannot be ensured anymore after  $n$  iterations (if  $n$  is the number of time windows)