



# Kernel controlled real-time Complex Langevin simulation

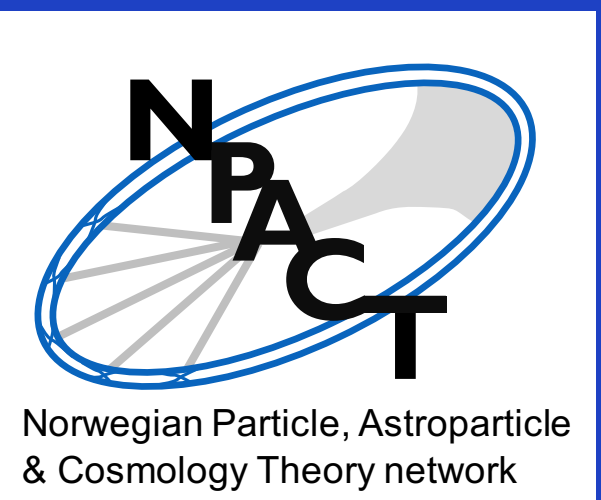
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# Introduction



- Real-time simulation (sign-problem)
- Complex Langevin equation  $\phi \rightarrow \phi^R + i\phi^I$  (Stochastic Differential equation)

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\tau_L} = i \frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta \phi(x)} + \eta(x, \tau_L) \quad \text{with}$$

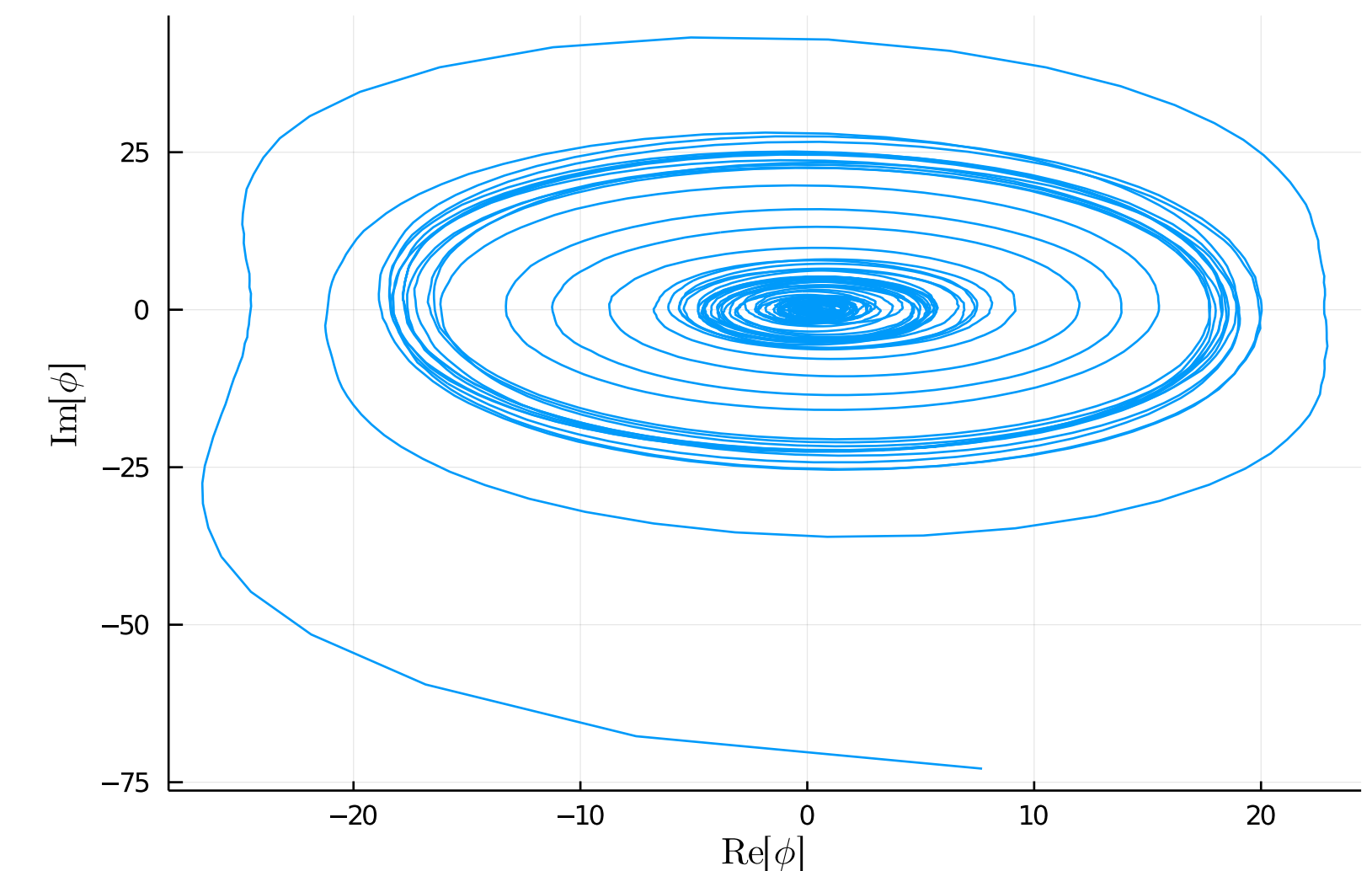
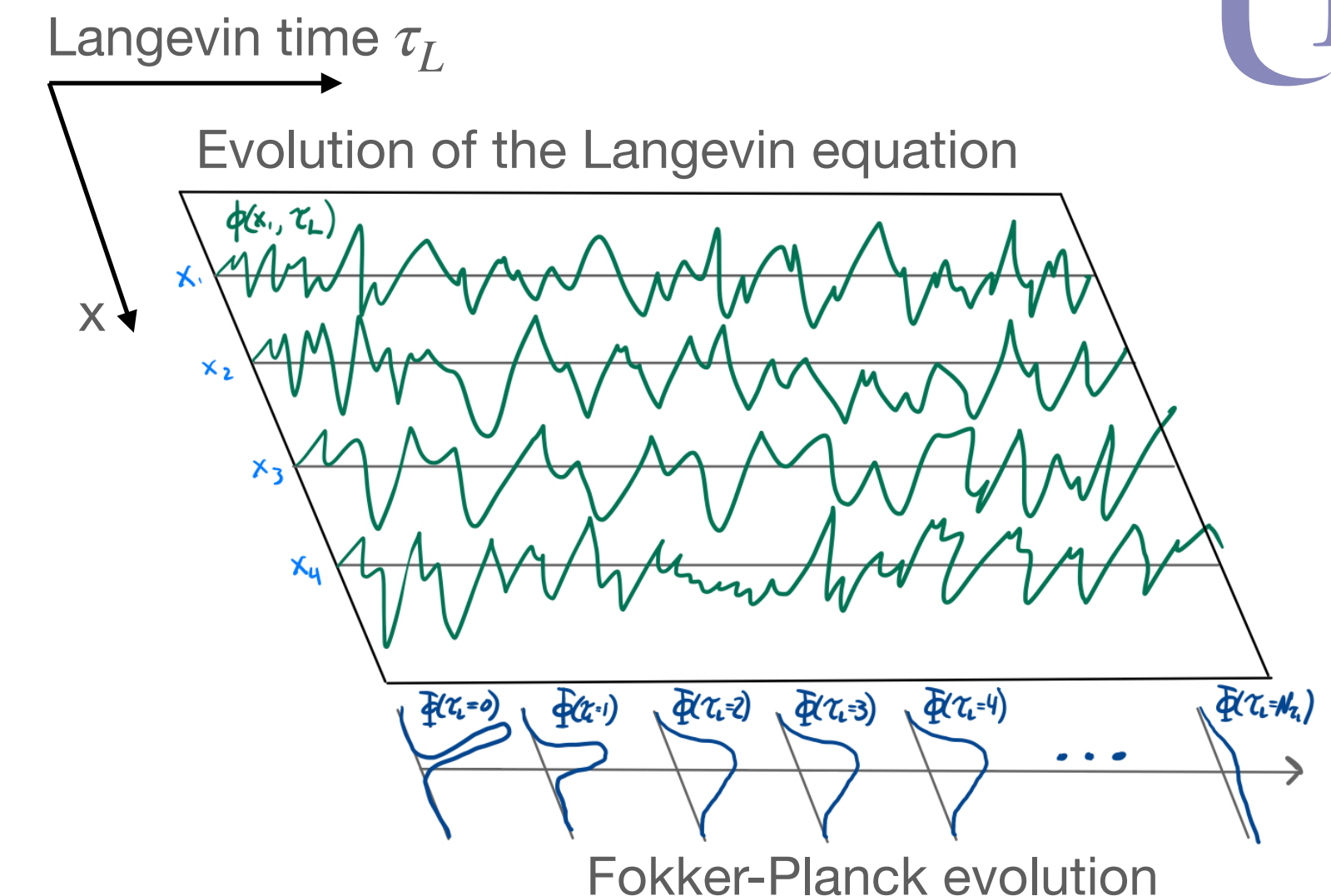
$$\langle \eta(x, \tau_L) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \eta(x, \tau_L) \eta(x', \tau'_L) \rangle = 2\delta(x - x')\delta(\tau_L - \tau'_L).$$

- Fokker-Planck equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(x, t) = \sum_j \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_j} \left[ \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_j} + \frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta \phi_j} \right] \Phi(x, t) = -H_{\text{FP}} \Phi(x, t)$$

- Problems

- Runaway solutions
- Convergence to the wrong solution



# Problem of stability in real-time simulations

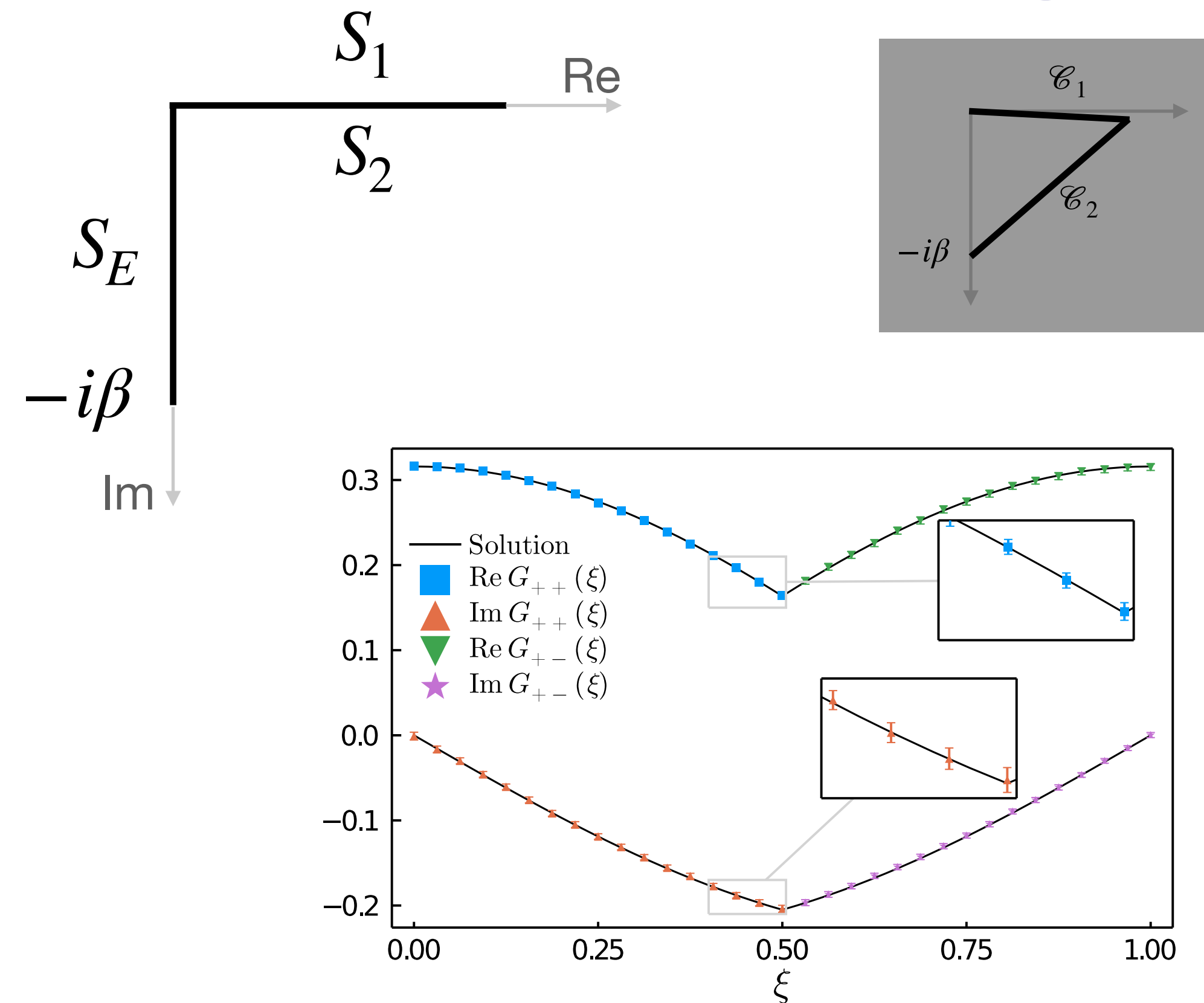


- Runaway solutions
- Adaptive step-size
- Regularisation via use of implicit scheme D.A, Larsen, Rothkopf (2021)  
arxiv: [2105.02735](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.02735)
  - General Euler-Maruyama scheme

$$\phi_j^{\lambda+1} = \phi_j^\lambda + i\epsilon_j \left[ \theta \frac{\partial S^{\lambda+1}}{\partial \phi_j} + (1 - \theta) \frac{\partial S^\lambda}{\partial \phi_j} \right] + \sqrt{\epsilon_j} \eta_j^\lambda$$

- Strongly coupled quantum anharmonic oscillator with  $\beta = 1, m = 1, \lambda = 24$  on a real-time contour

$$S = \int dx_0 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_0} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4 \right\}$$



Contour:  $\beta = 1, x_0^{\max} = 0.5$   
 Solver: Euler-Mayruyama with  $\theta = 0.6$

Simulations done with the [DifferentialEquations.jl](https://github.com/JuliaDiffEq/DifferentialEquations.jl) library in Julia



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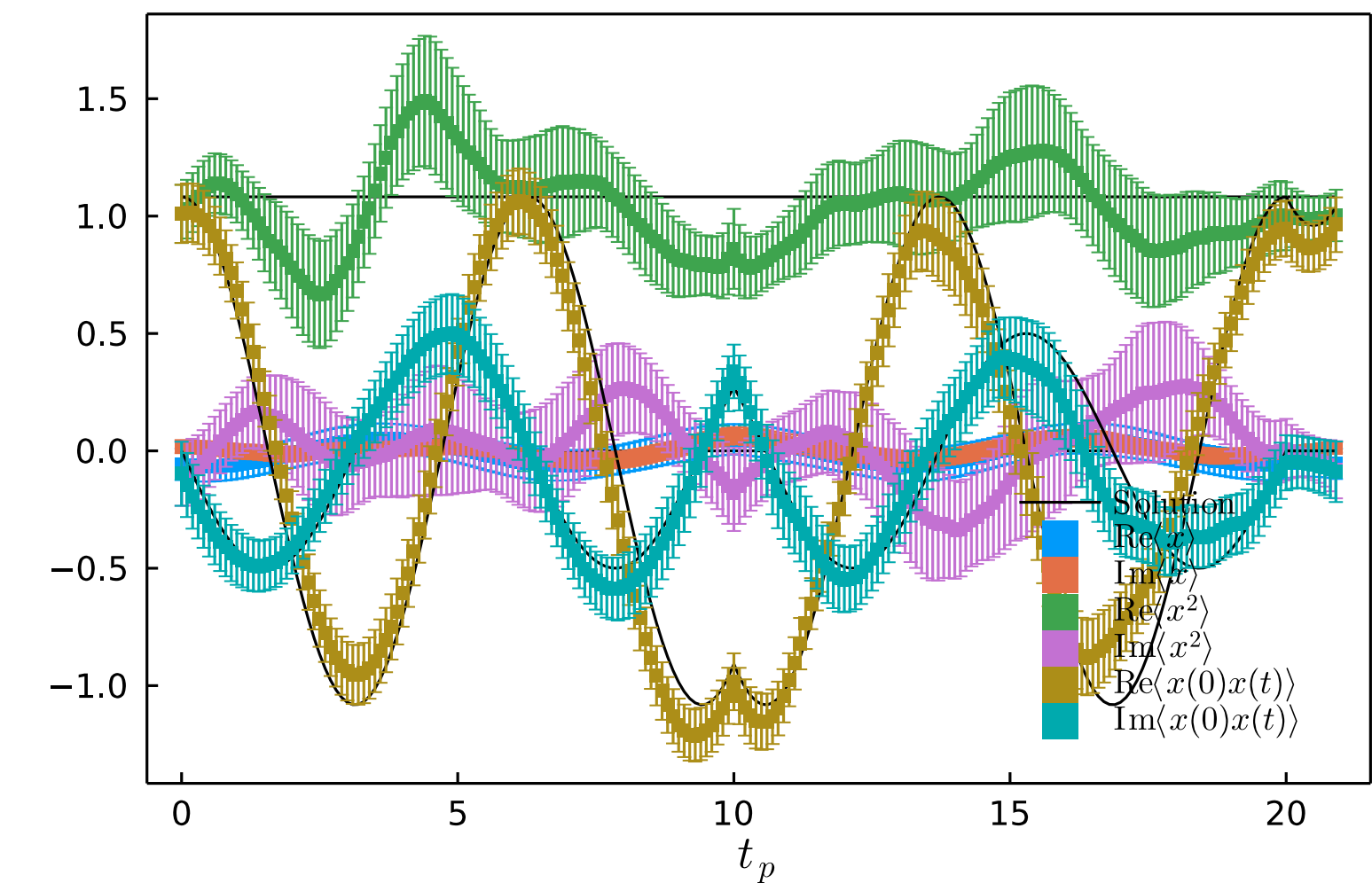
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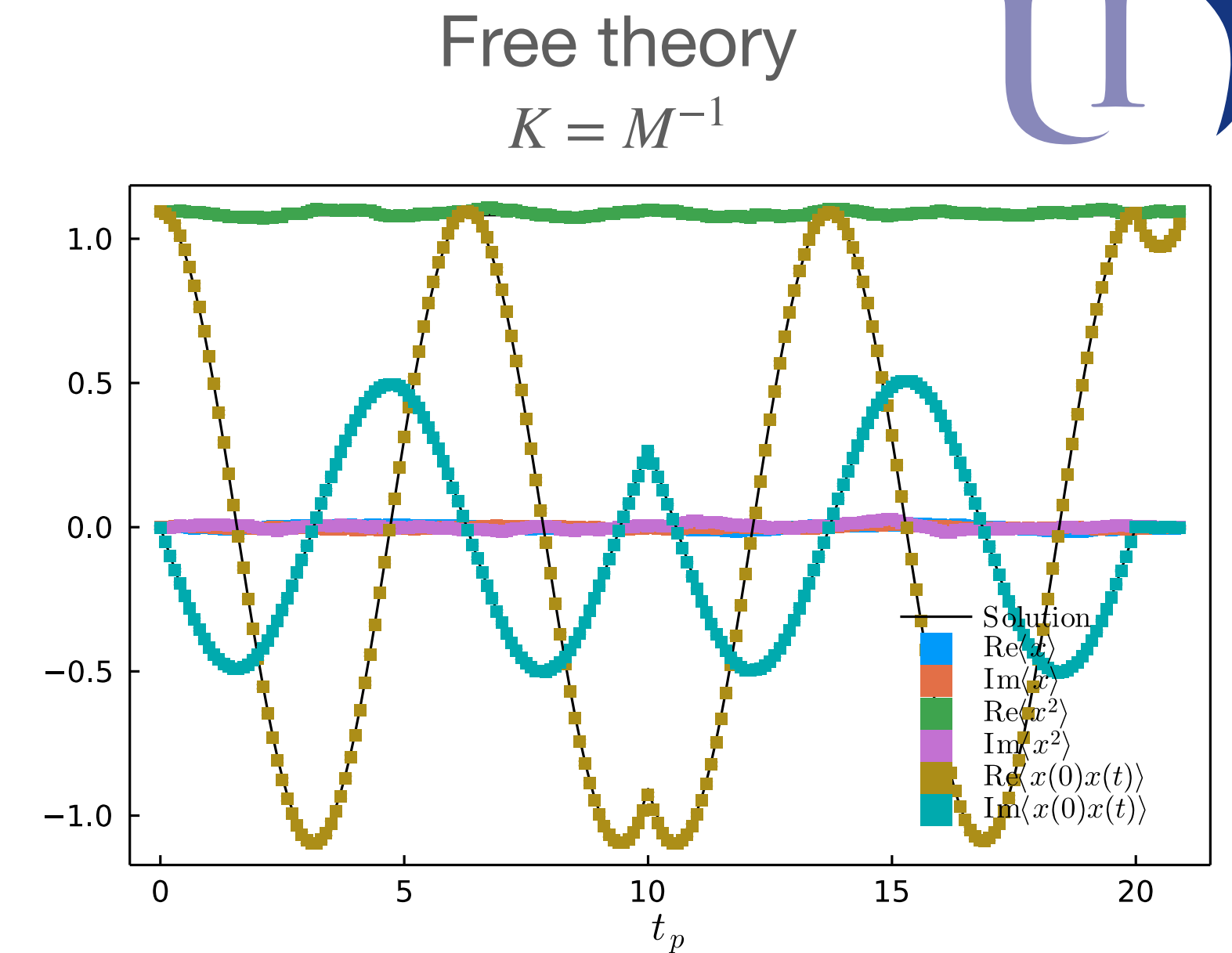
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No kernel





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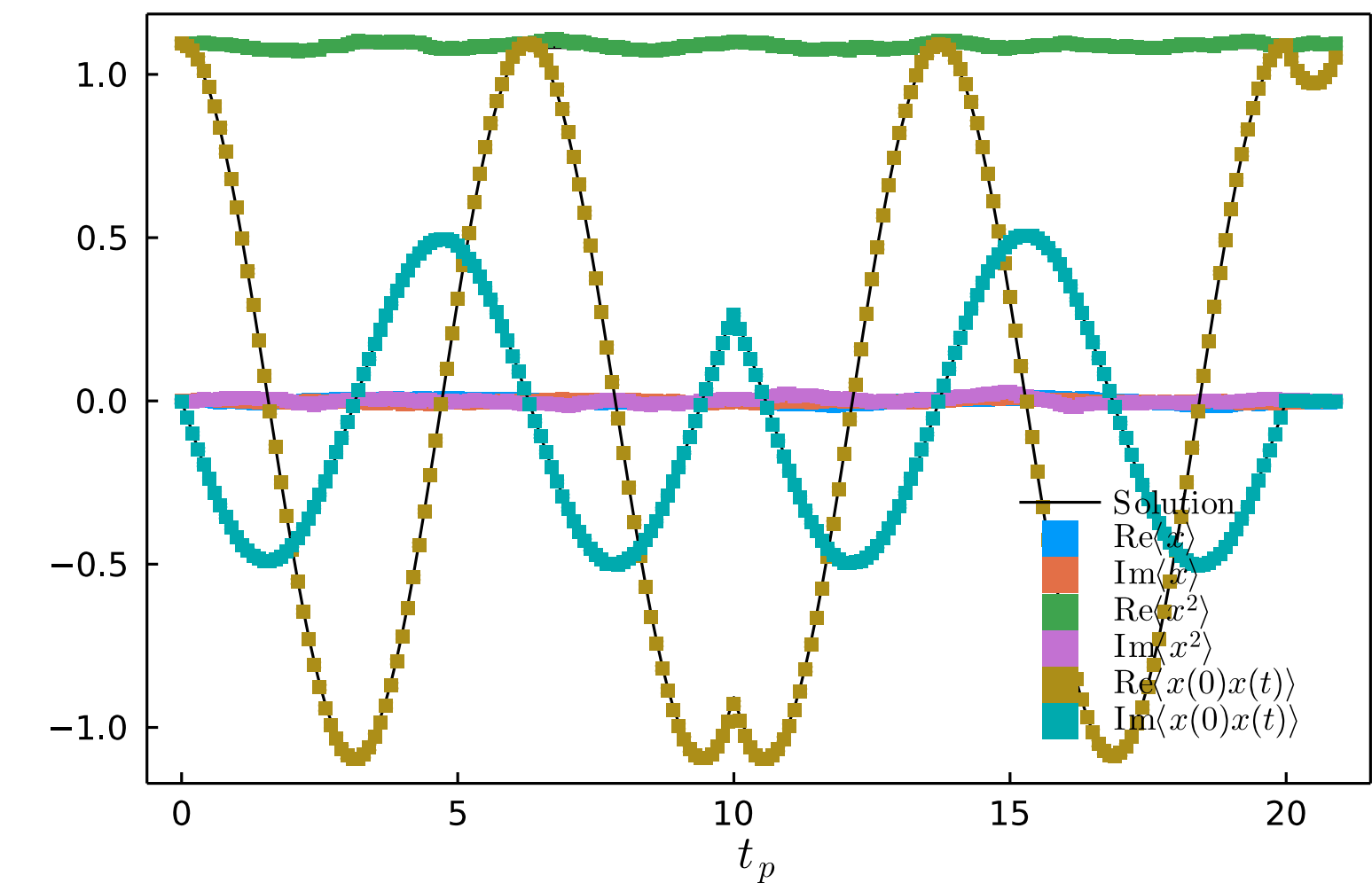
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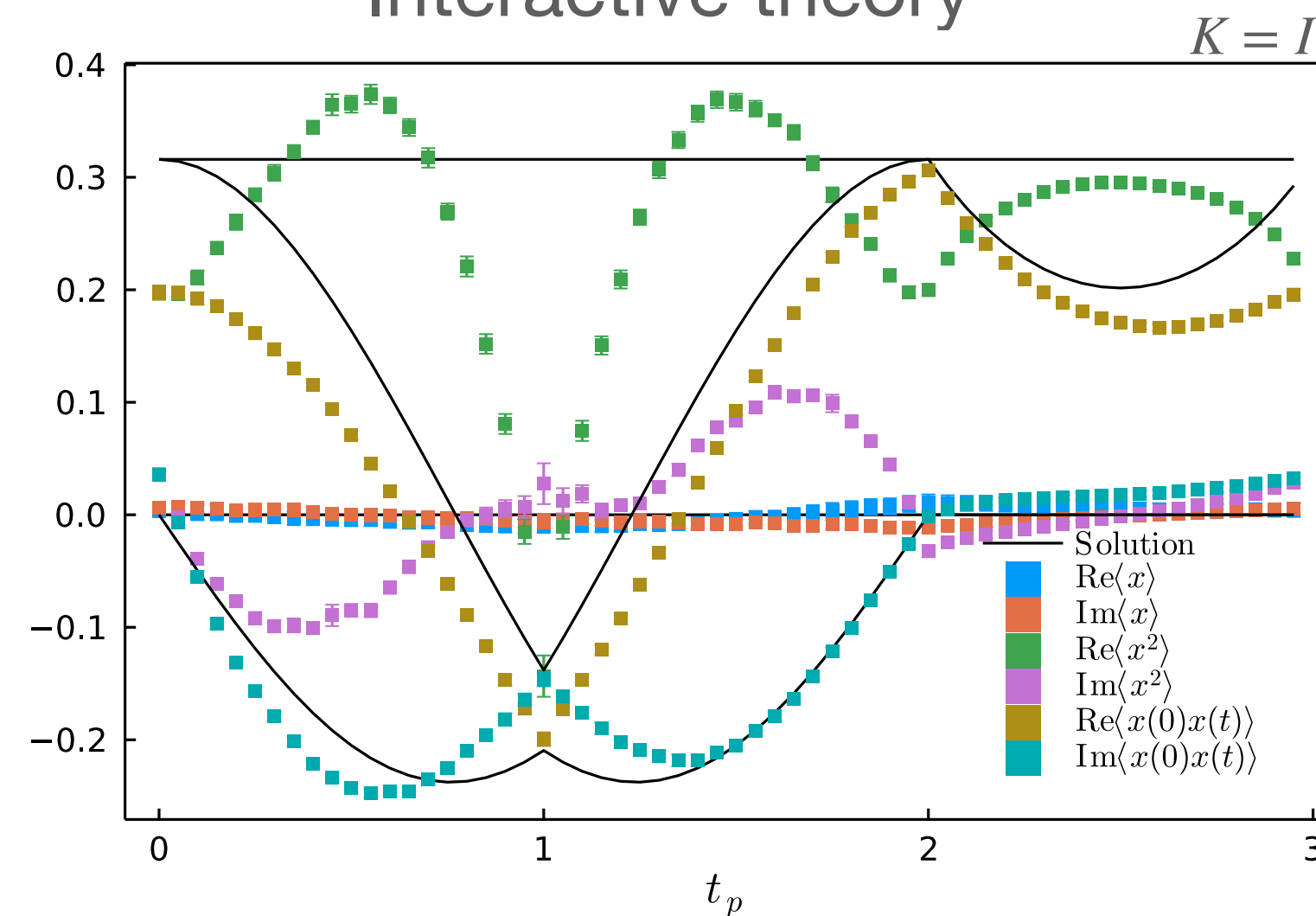
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 $K = M^{-1}$



Interactive theory

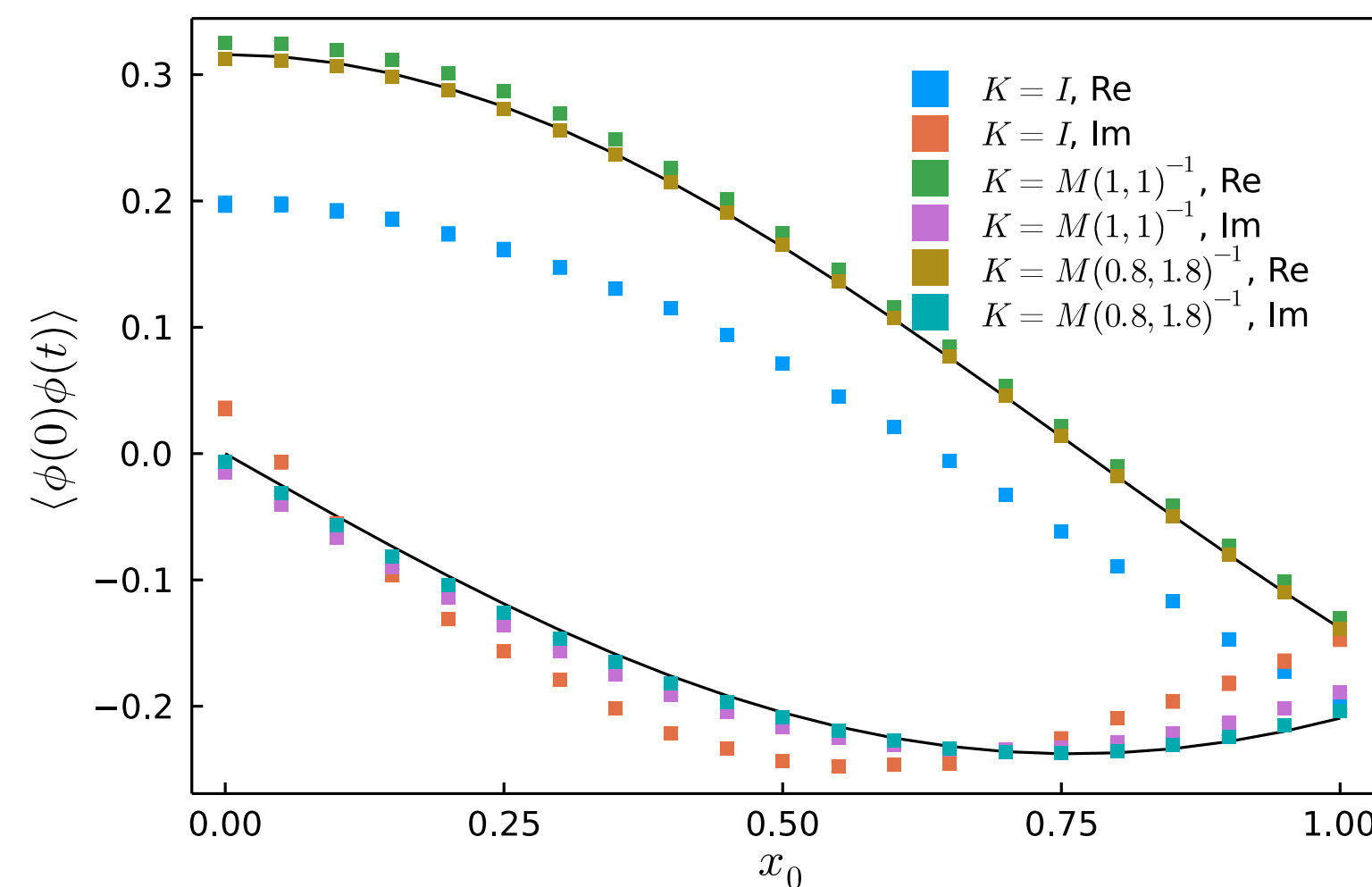




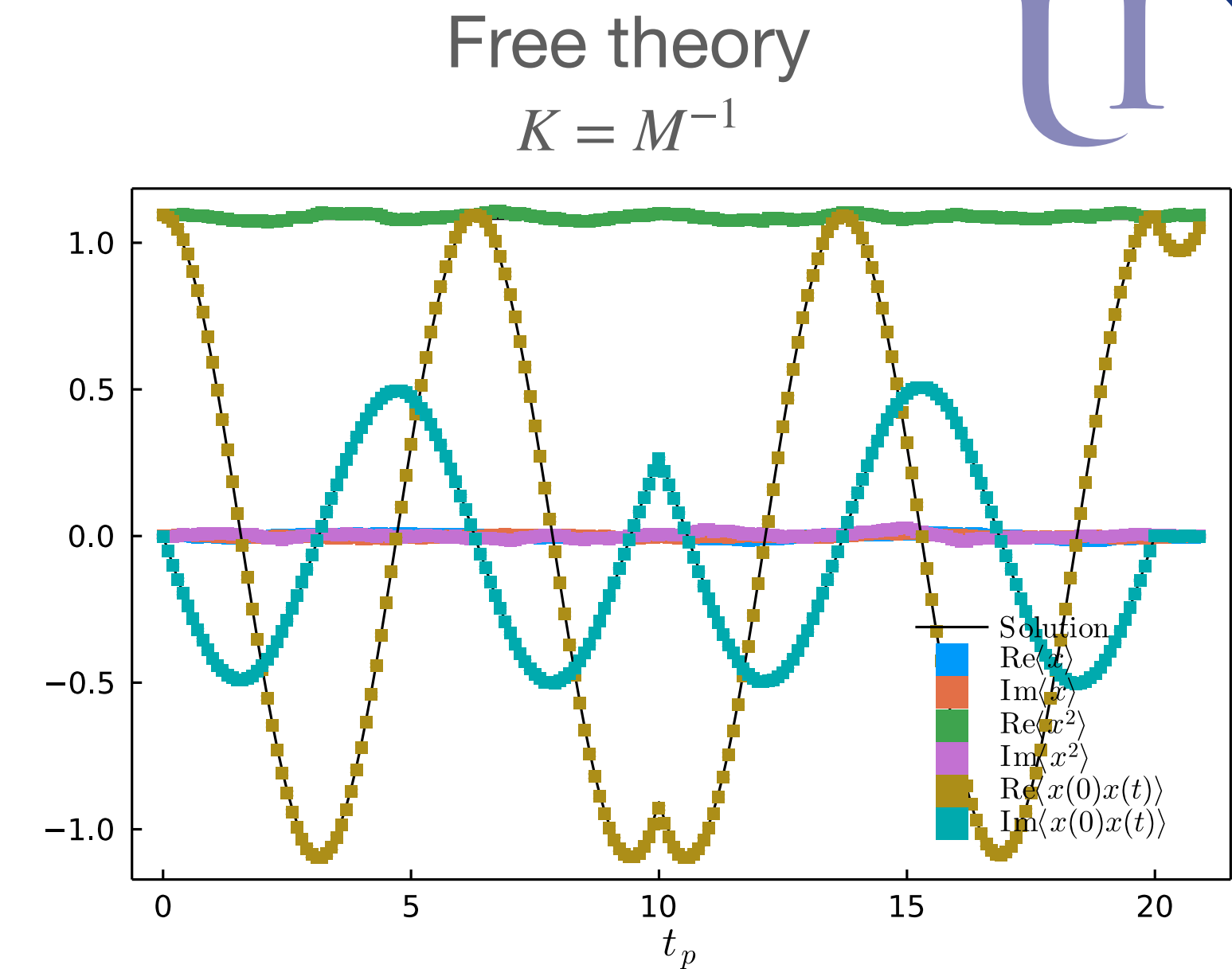
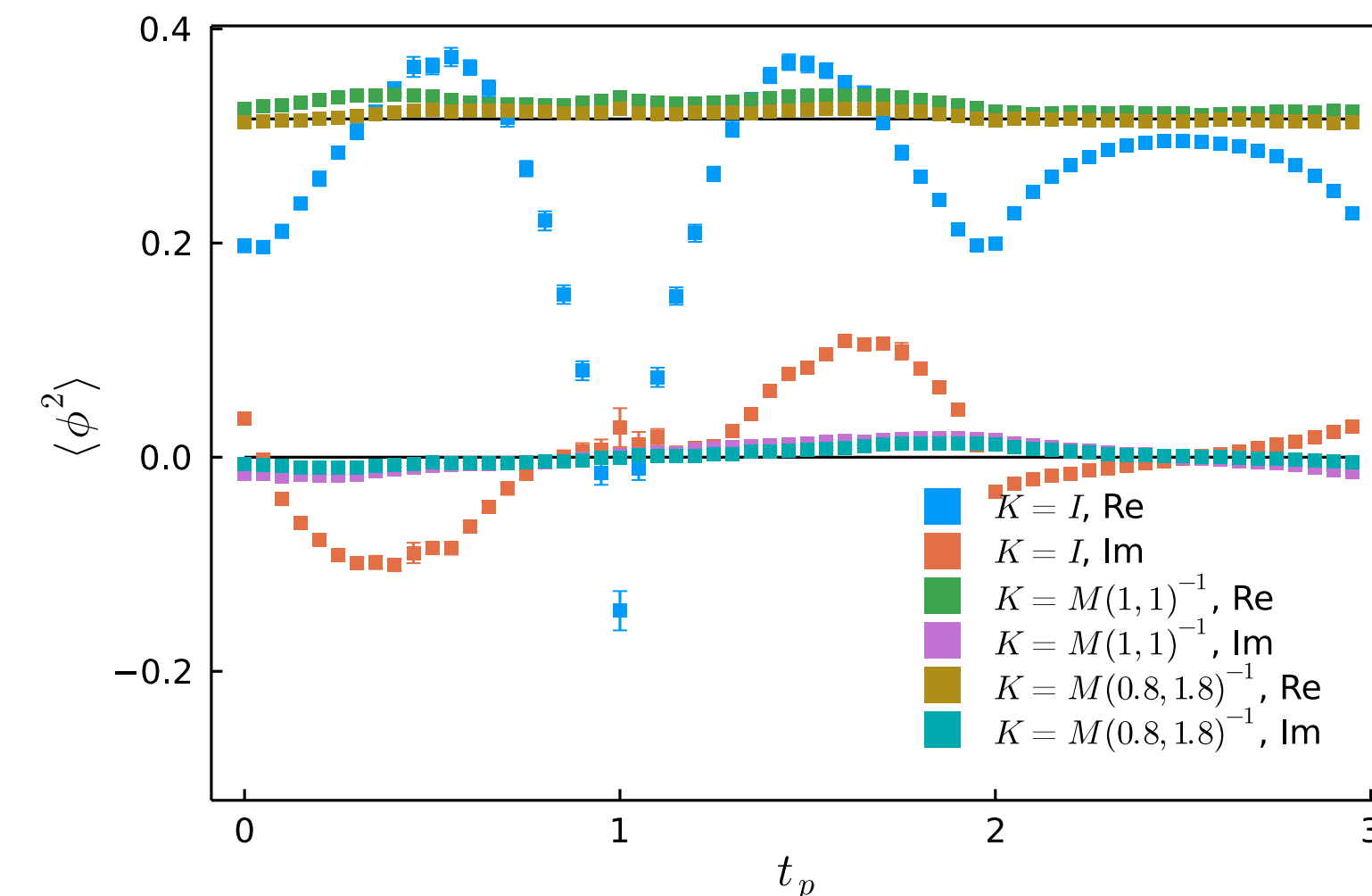
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Systematic scheme to construct kernels



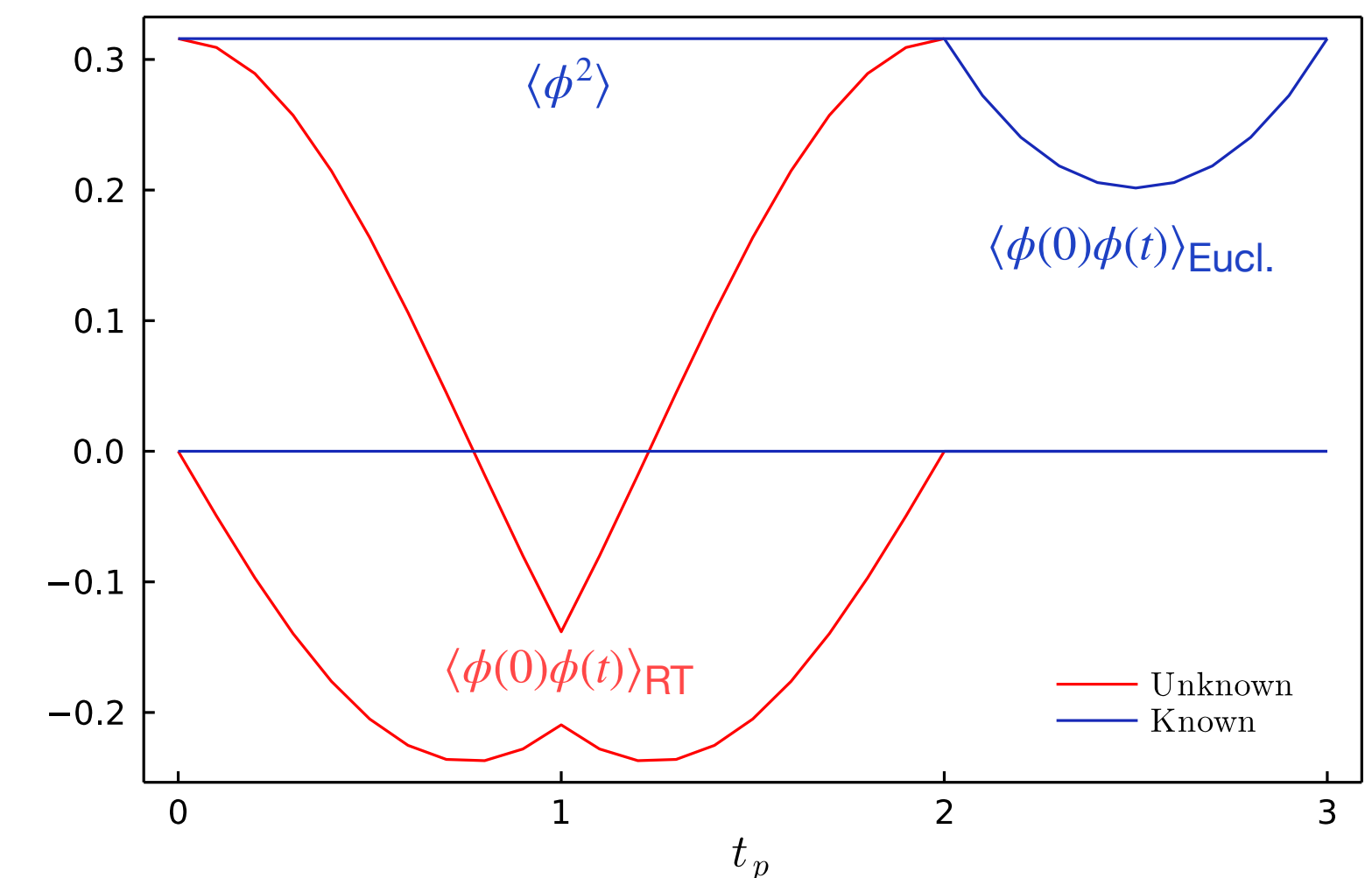
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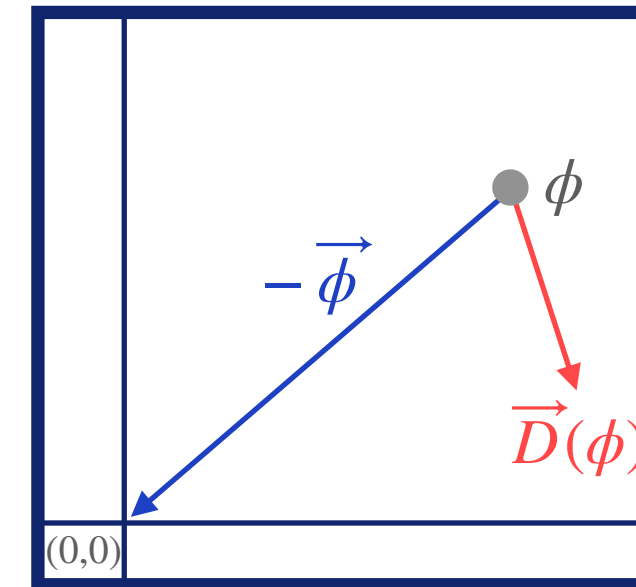


- Can we find a kernel by using prior knowledge about the Complex Langevin and the model
- Known information
  - $L^{\text{Sym}}$ : Symmetries of the model, ex.  $\langle \phi^n \rangle = \text{const.}$  (known from Euclidean simulation)
  - $L^{\text{Eucl}}$ : Euclidean part of real-time contour
  - $L^{\text{BT}}$ : There should be no boundary terms
- Minimising using the above loss functions require the derivative  $\frac{d\phi}{dK}$  which includes propagating through the whole simulation.
  - Possible due to auto-differentiation and sensitivity analysis
  - Currently too expensive due to highly stiff problem (real-time)



# Local loss function

- Boundary terms accumulate with too slow falloff in the distribution.
- Minimising the drift out from origin ( $D = K \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi}$ )
 
$$L_D = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N \left| D(\phi_i) \cdot (-\phi_i) - |D(\phi_i)| |\phi_i| \right|^2$$
- Evaluate the gradient  $\nabla_K L_D(\{\phi\})$  using auto-differentiation
- Use  $L^{\text{Sym}}$ ,  $L^{\text{Eucl}}$ ,  $L^{\text{BT}}$  to test result from minimising  $L_D$
- Minimising  $L_D$  same as minimising boundary terms:  $L^{\text{BT}}$
- Holomorphic: Correctness criterion



## Updating the kernel

Make configuration using  $K_0 = I: \{\phi_i^0\}$

$$d\phi = K_0 \partial_\phi S[\phi] + \sqrt{K_0} dW$$

Update kernel based on gradient of the loss function  $\nabla_K L_D(\{\phi^0\})$

Loop  $N$  times (index  $k$ )

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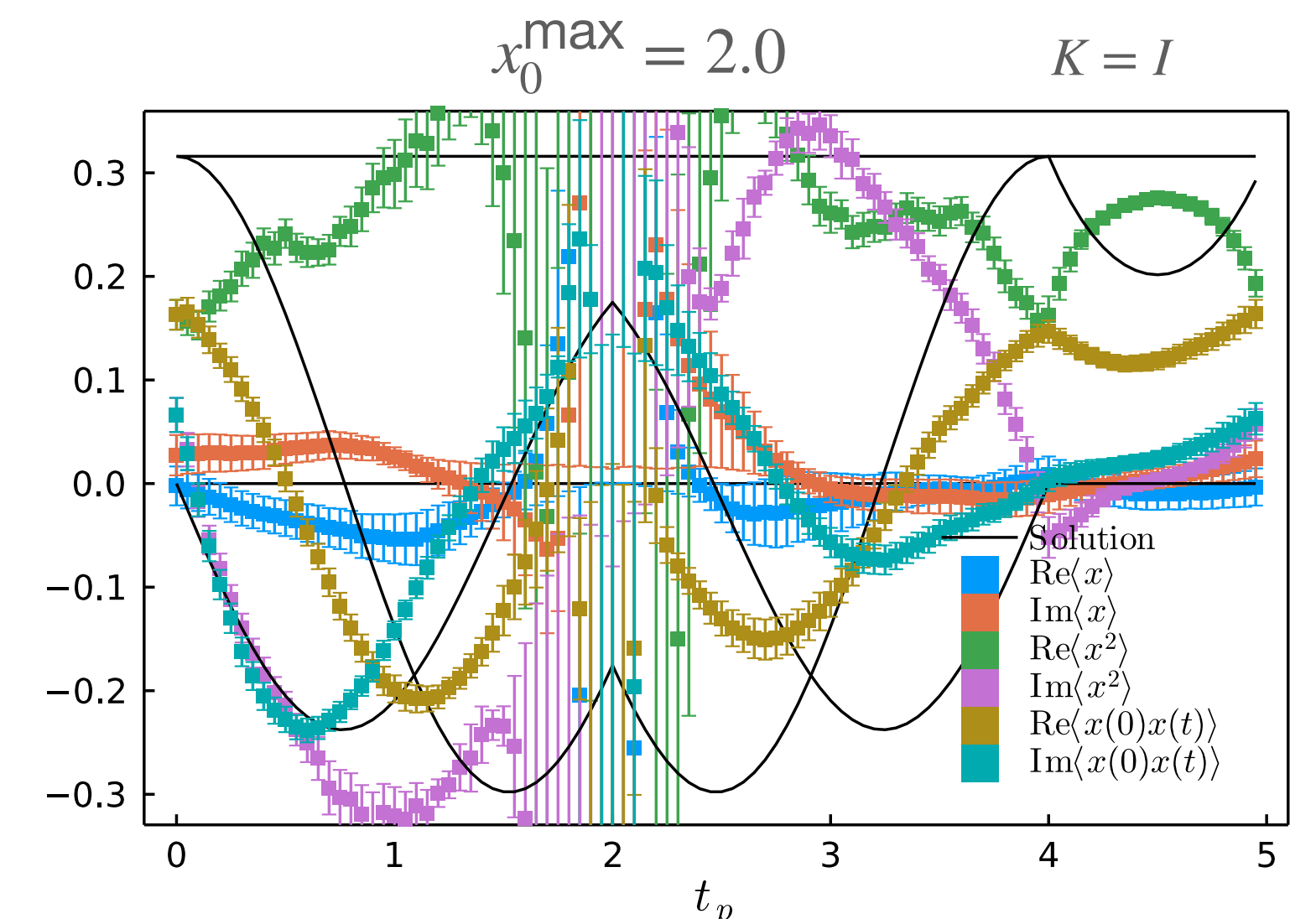
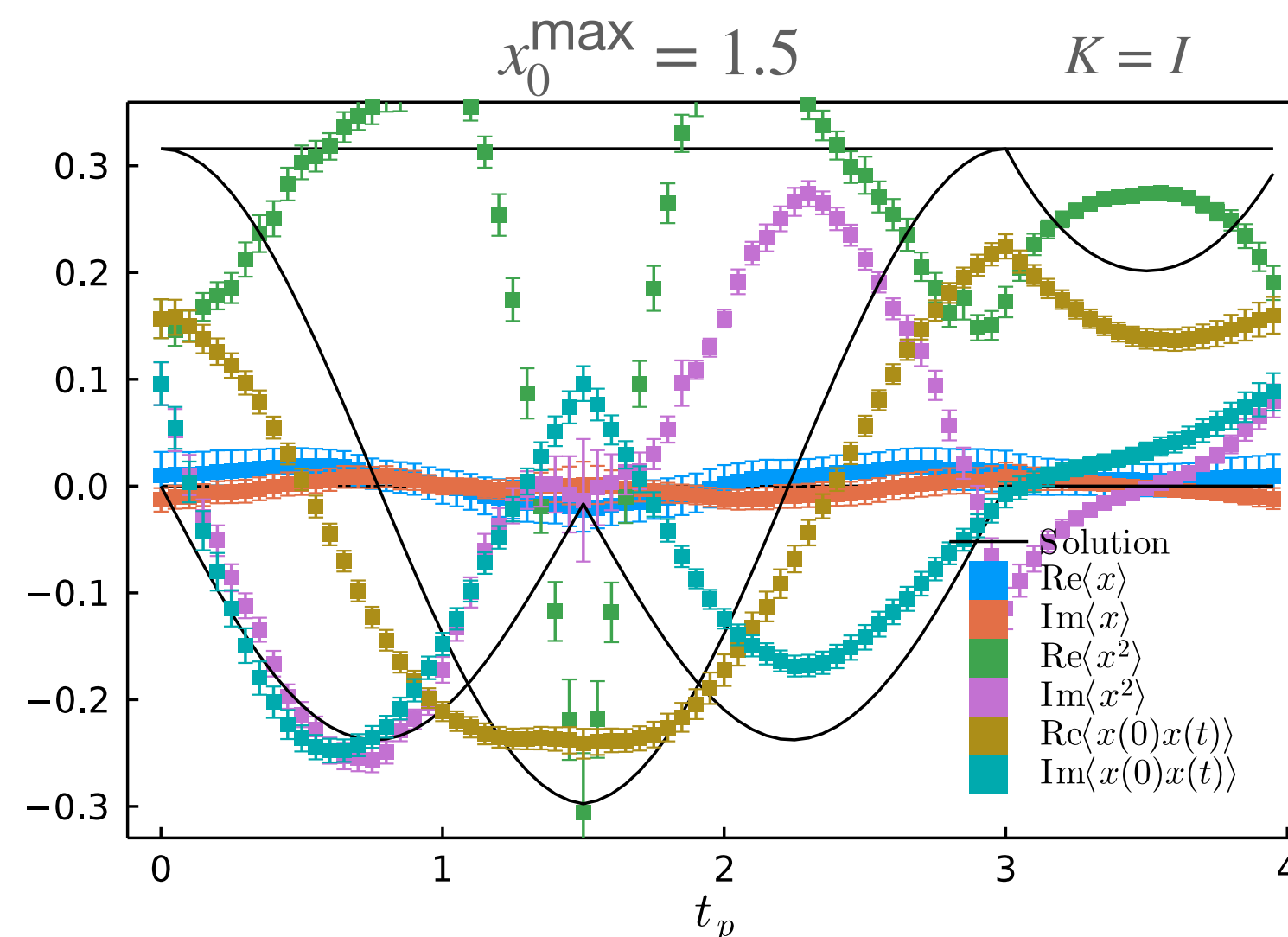
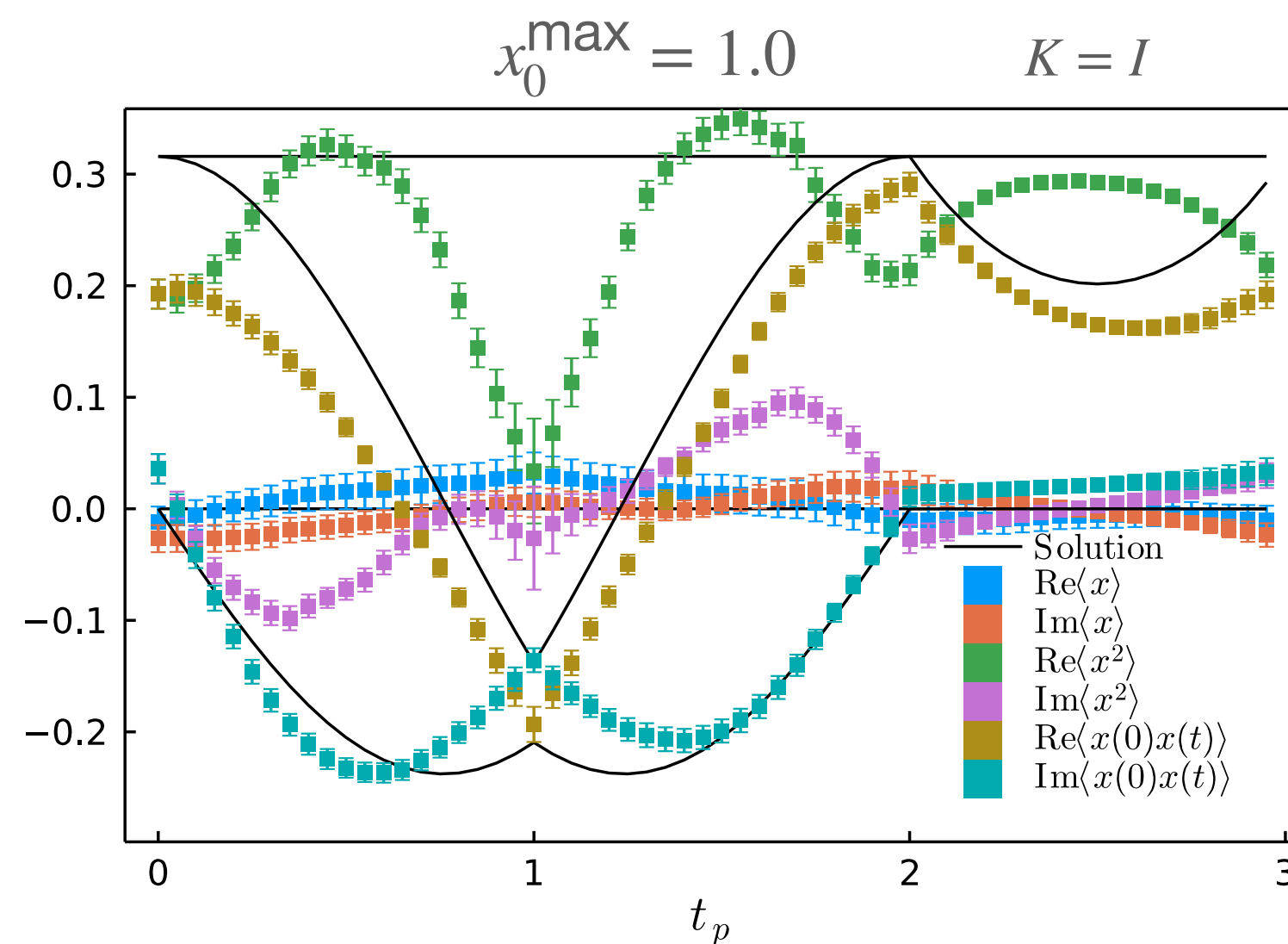
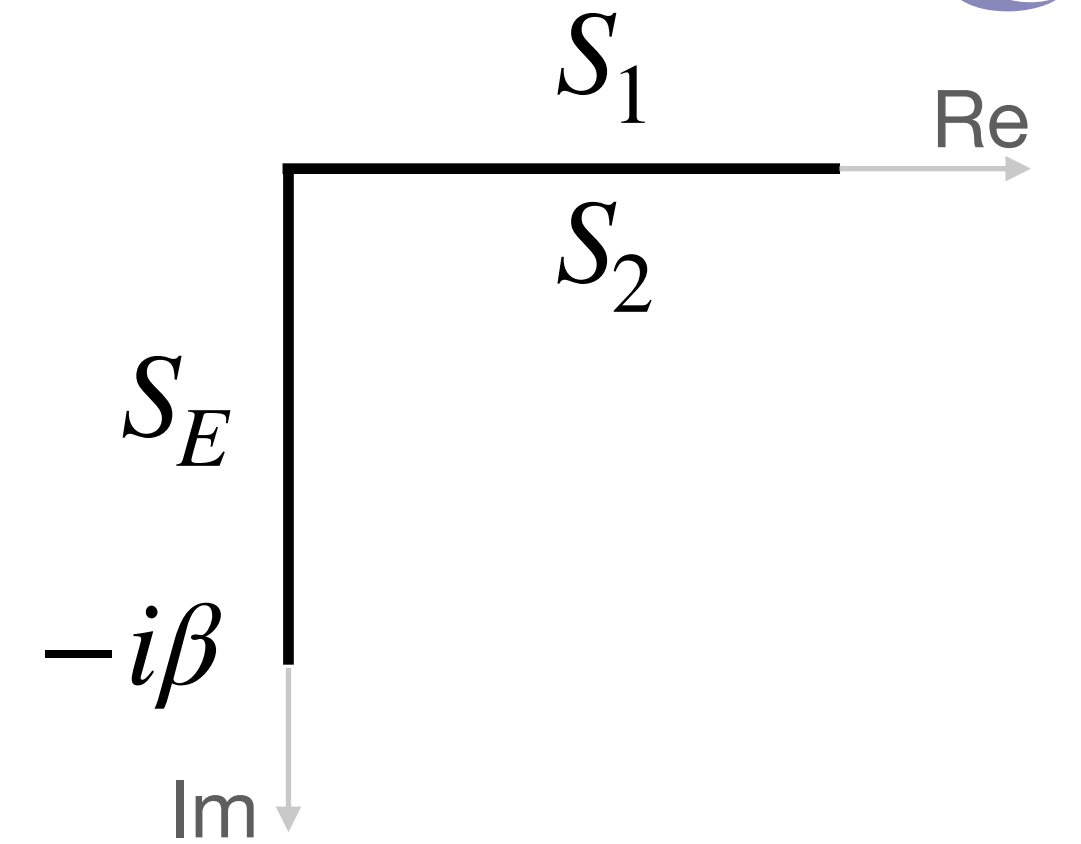
Measure  $L^{\text{Sym}}, L^{\text{Eucl}}, L^{\text{BT}}$

Pick out the iteration with the smallest  $L^{\text{Sym}}, L^{\text{Eucl}}, L^{\text{BT}}$

# Real-time interactive theory results



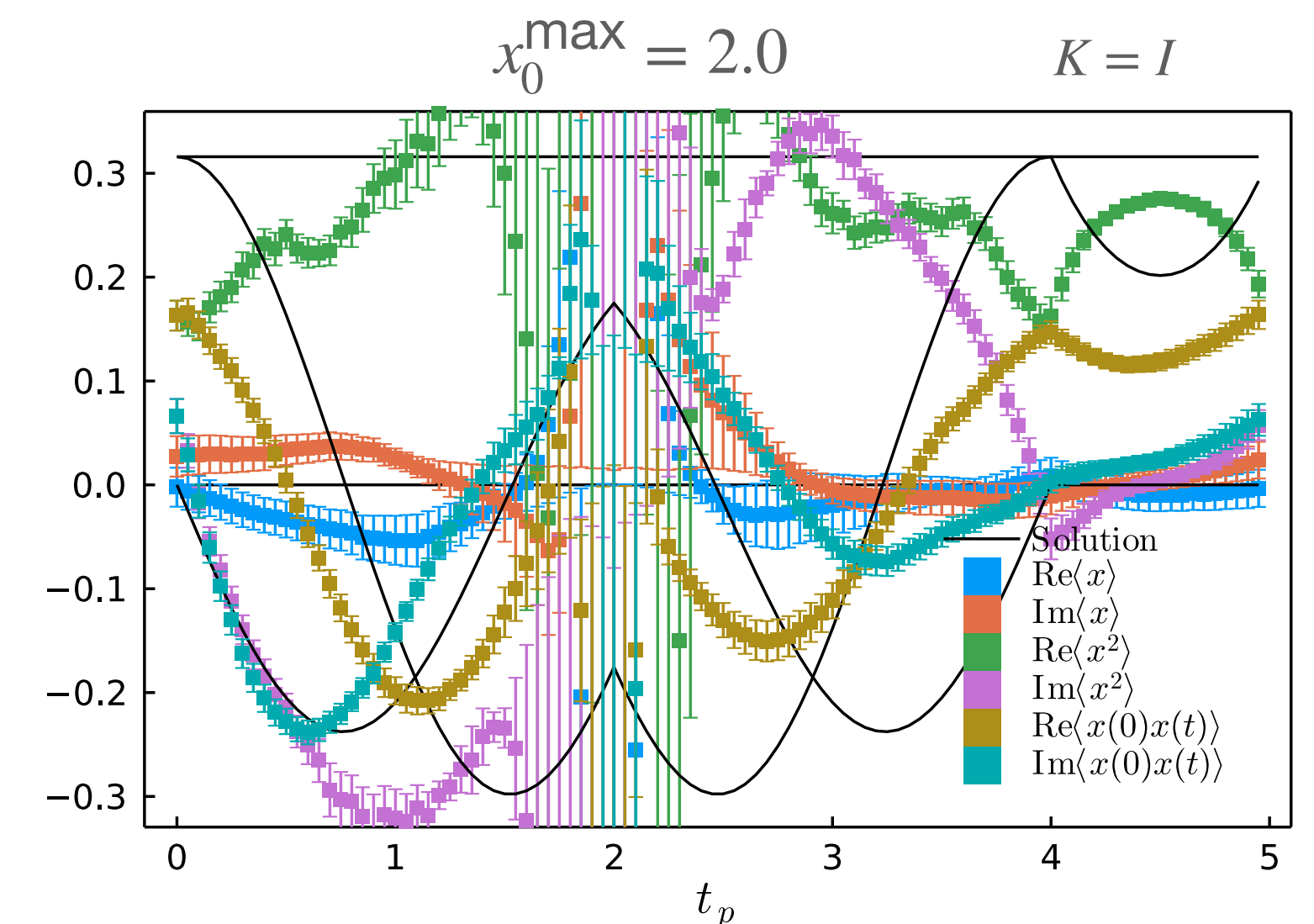
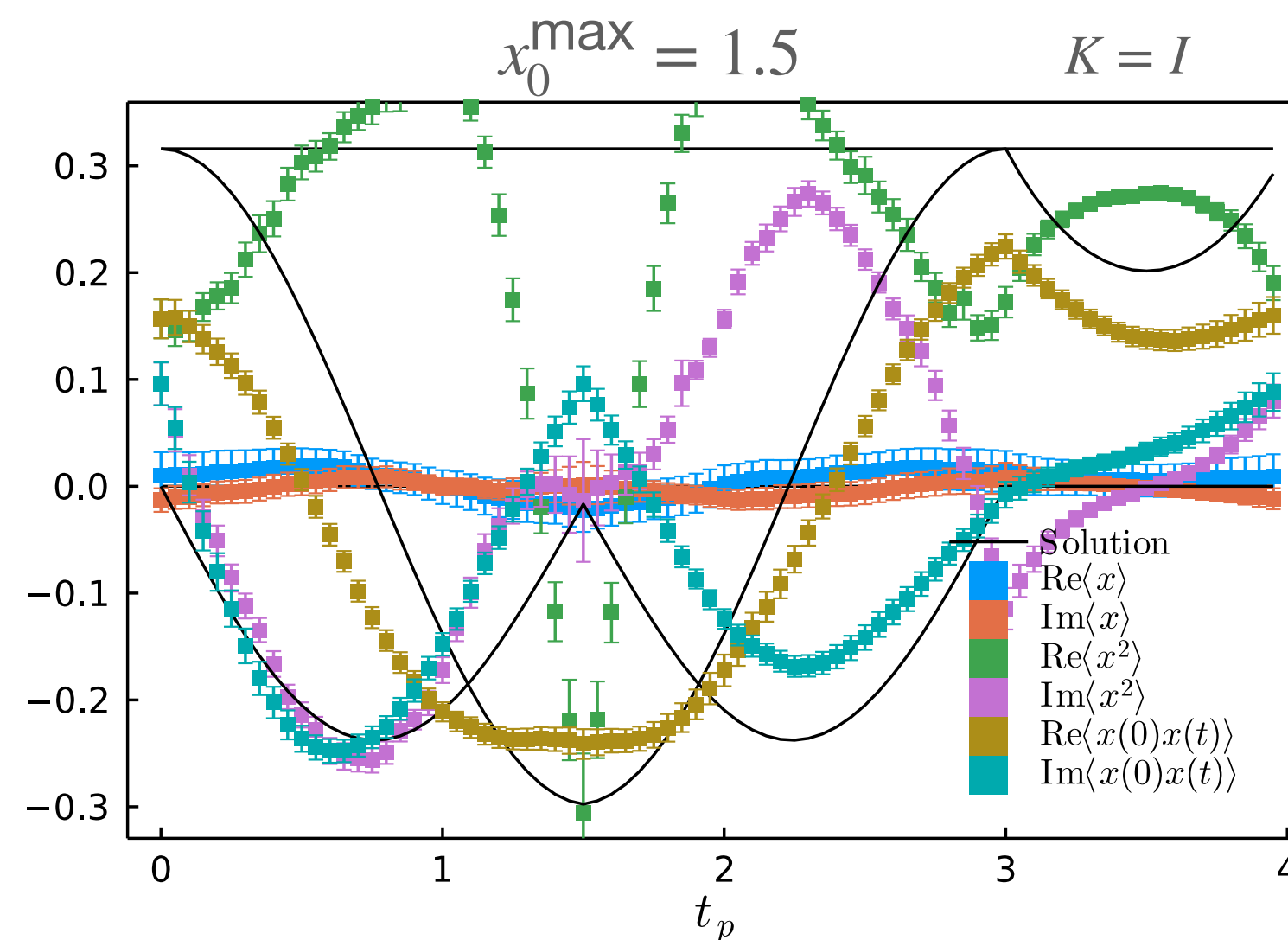
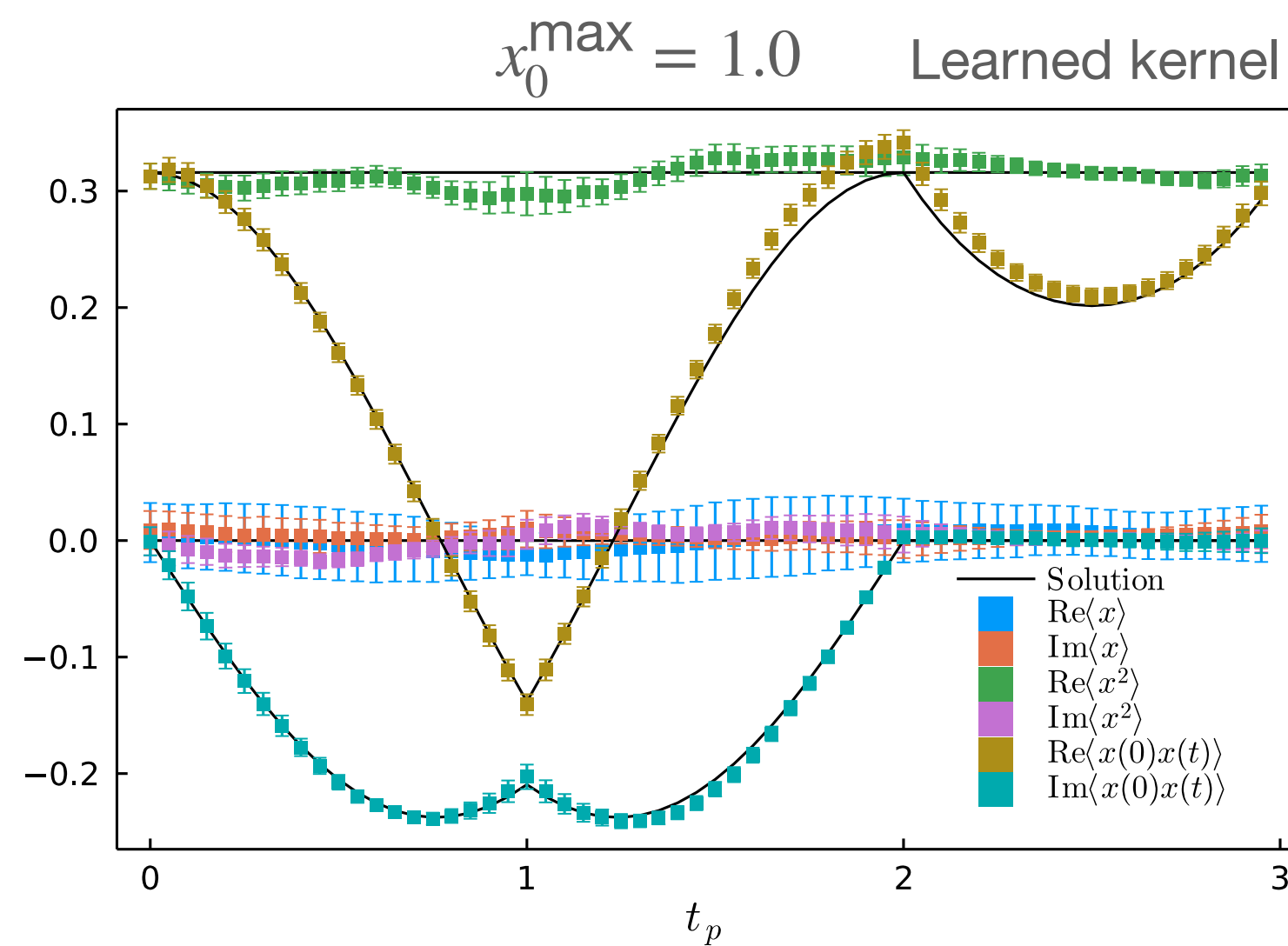
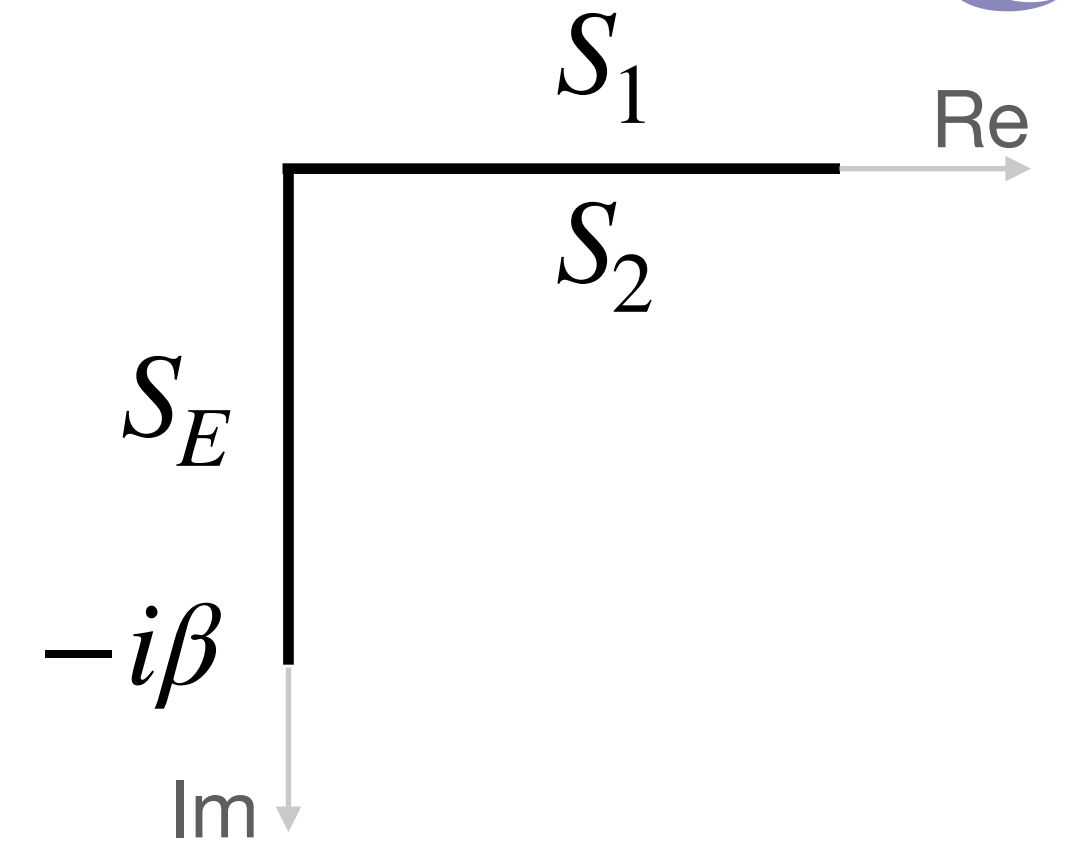
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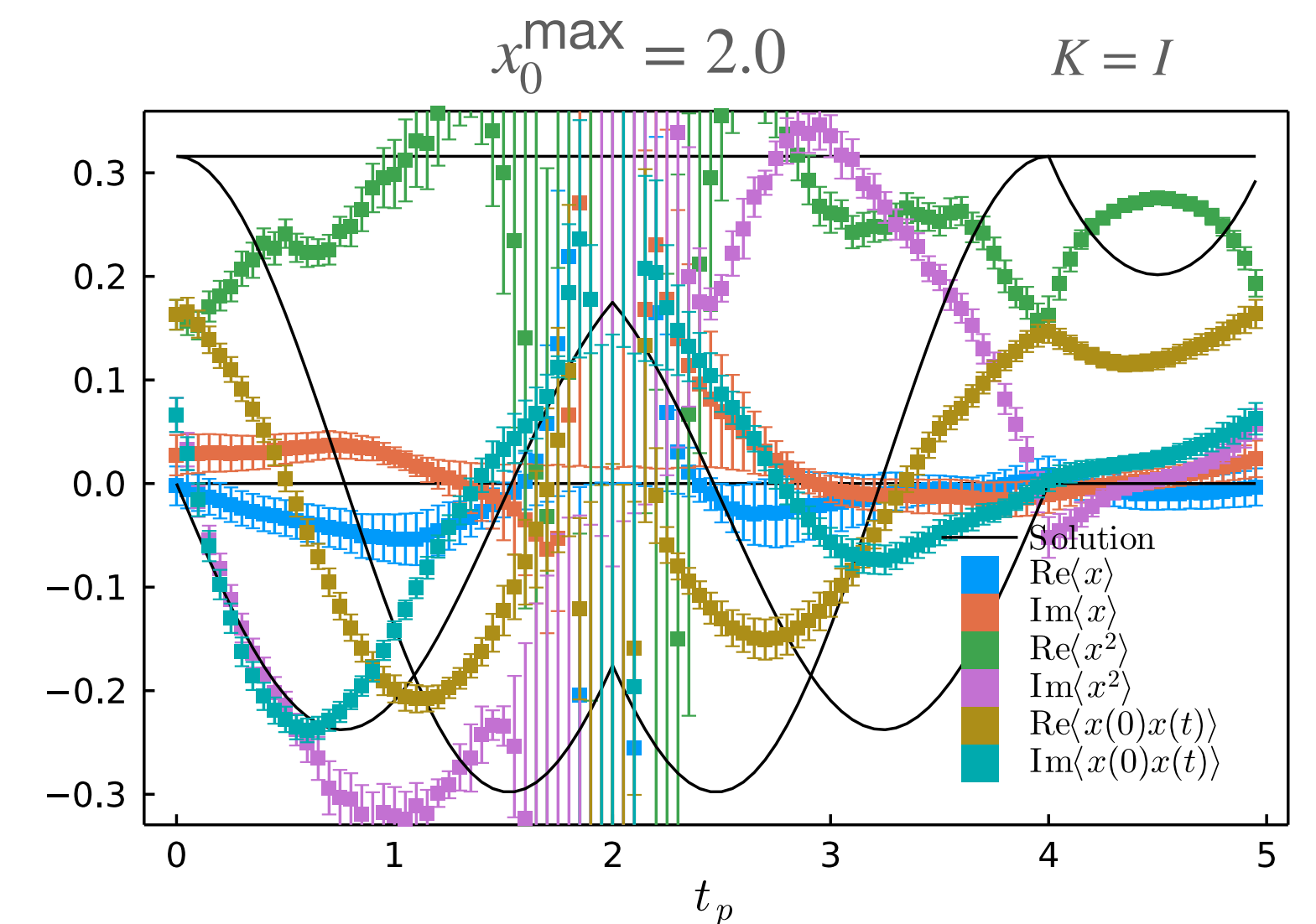
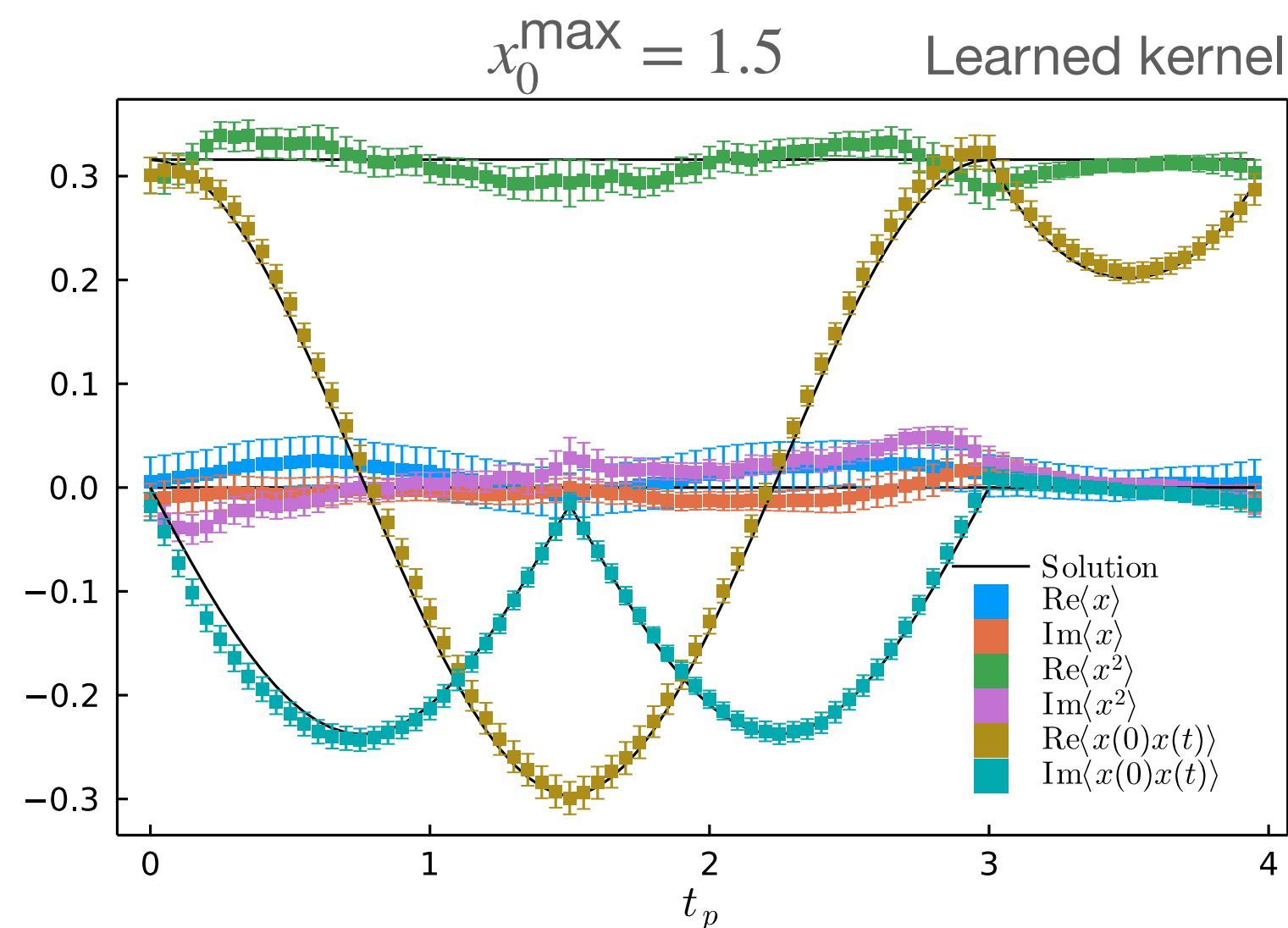
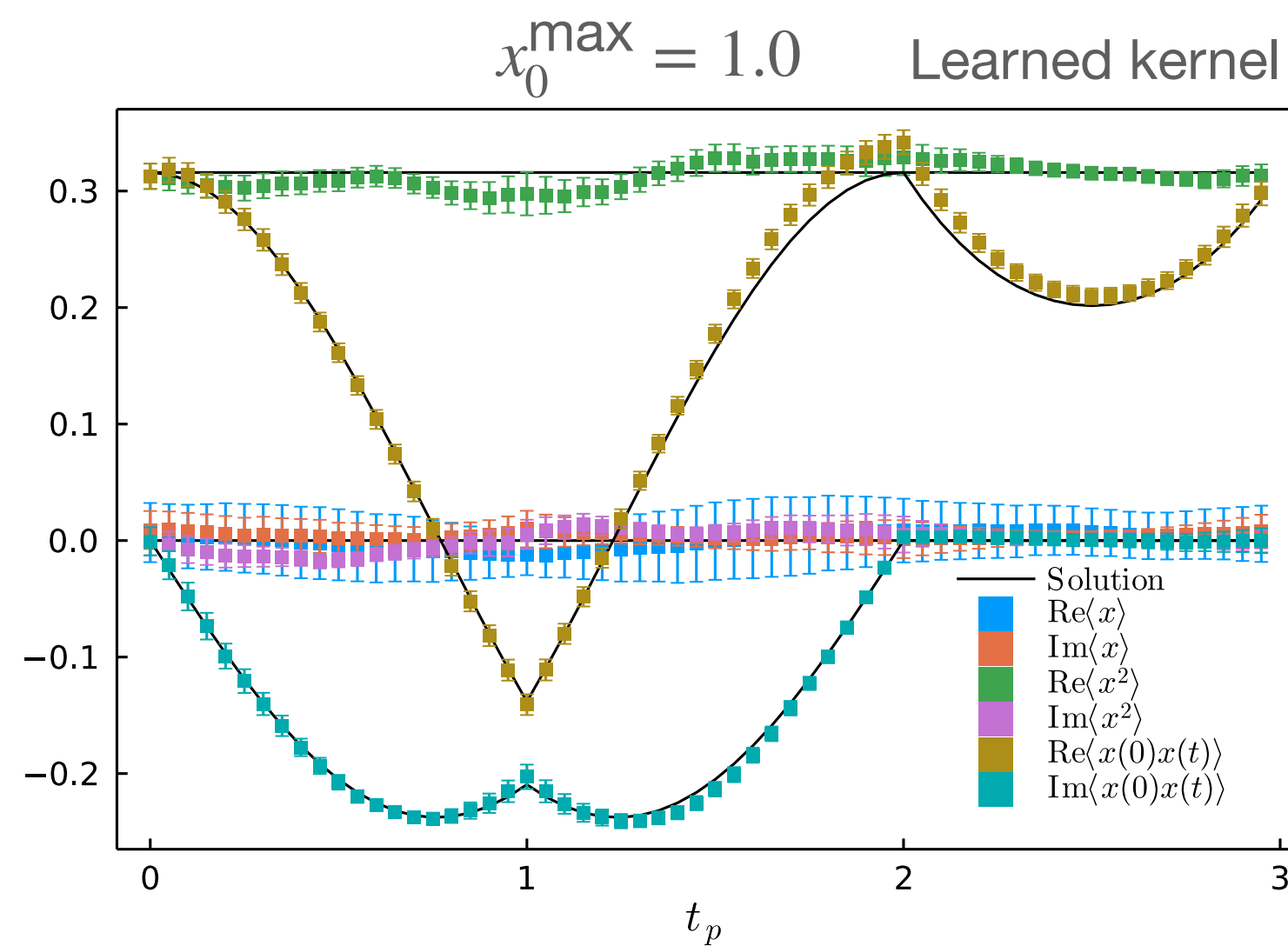
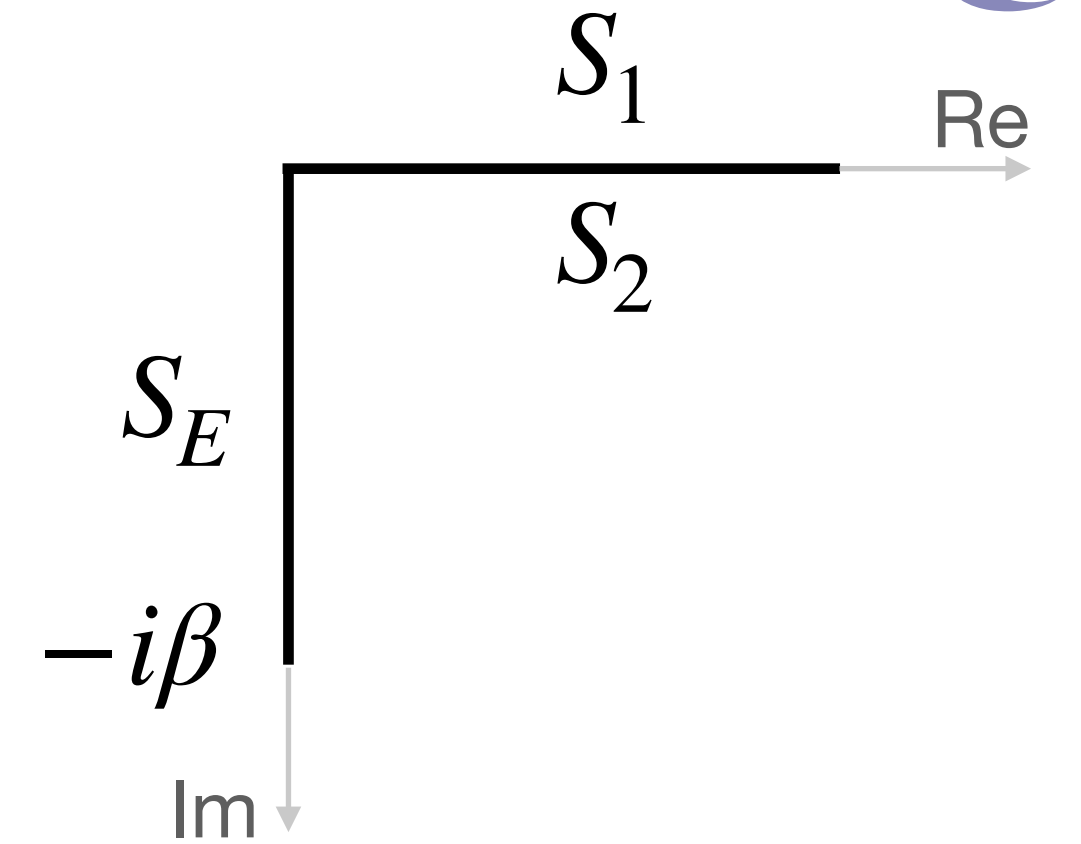




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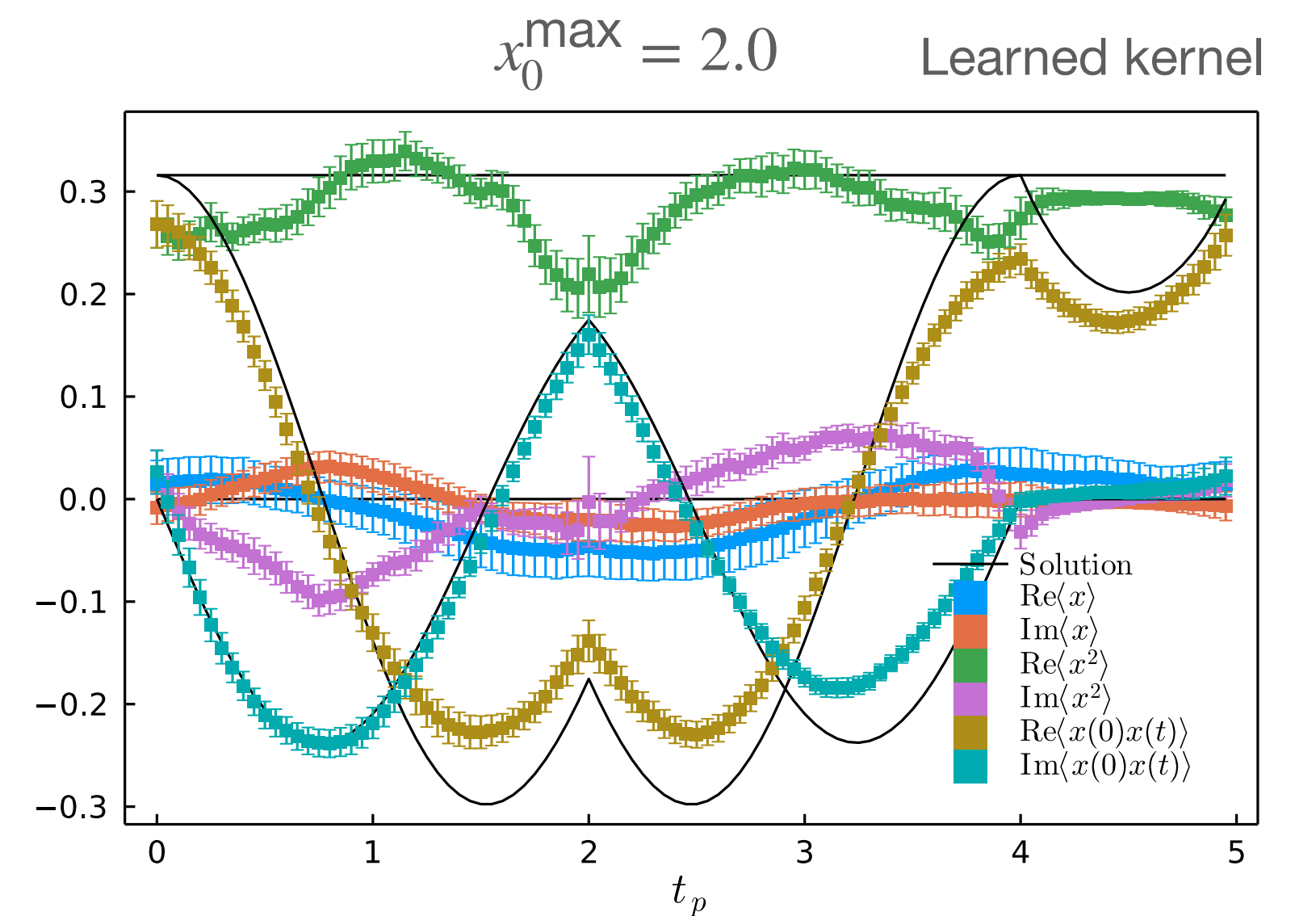
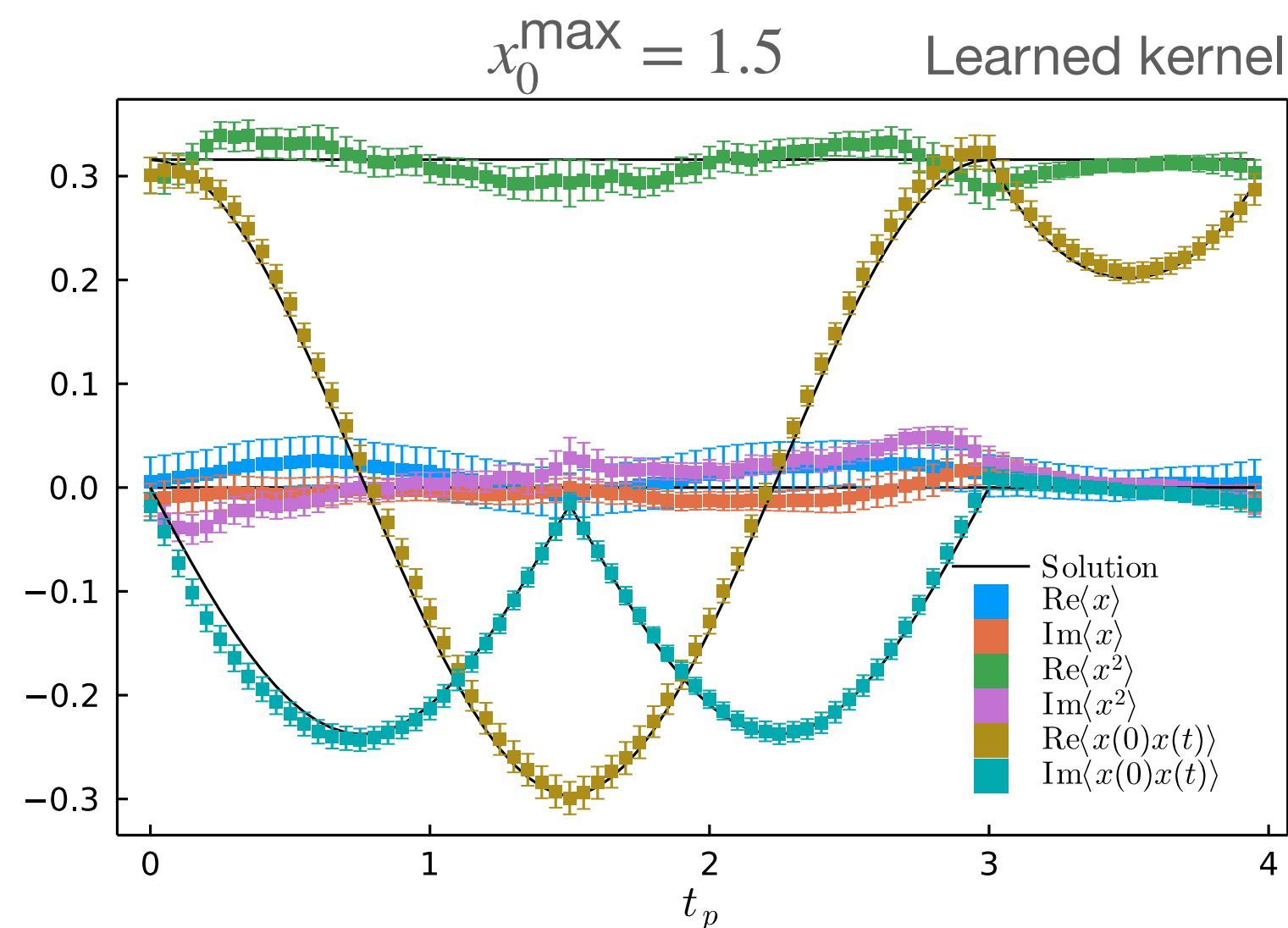
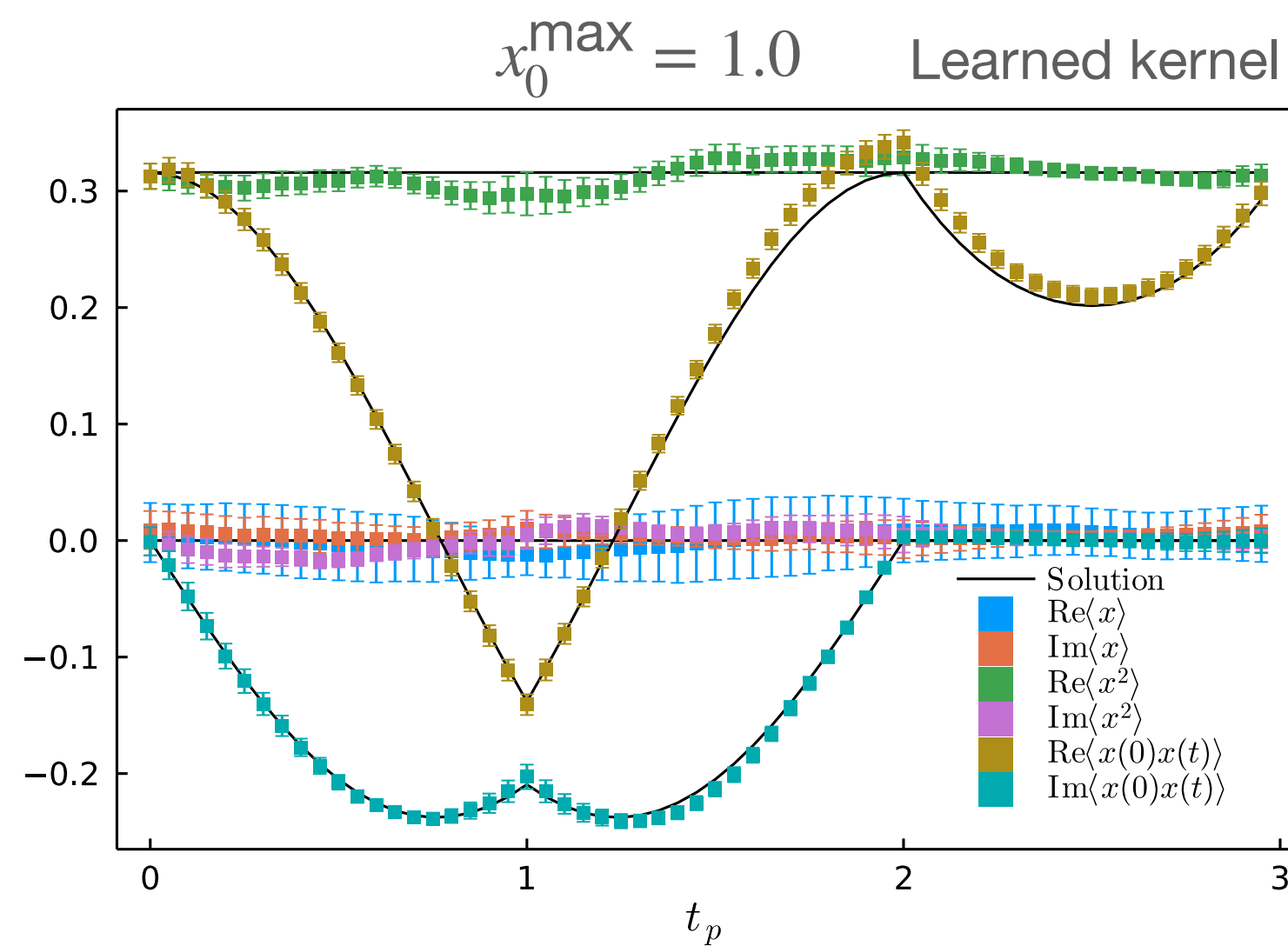
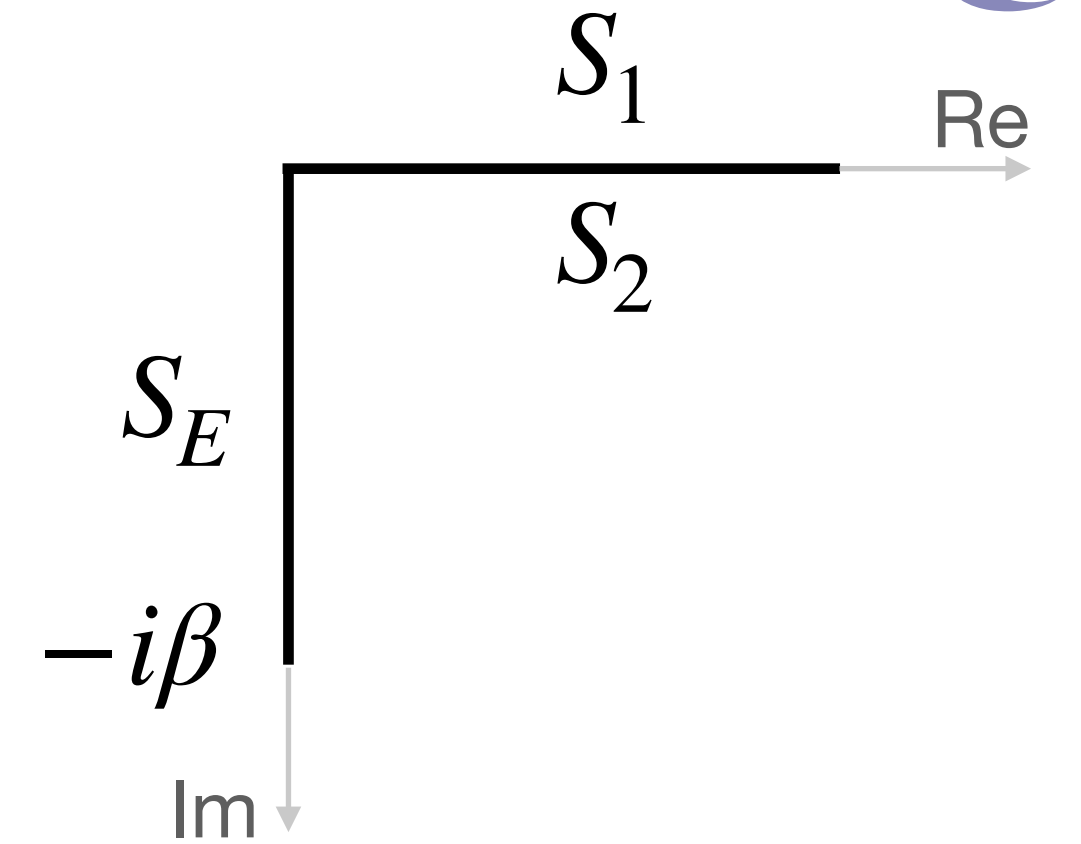




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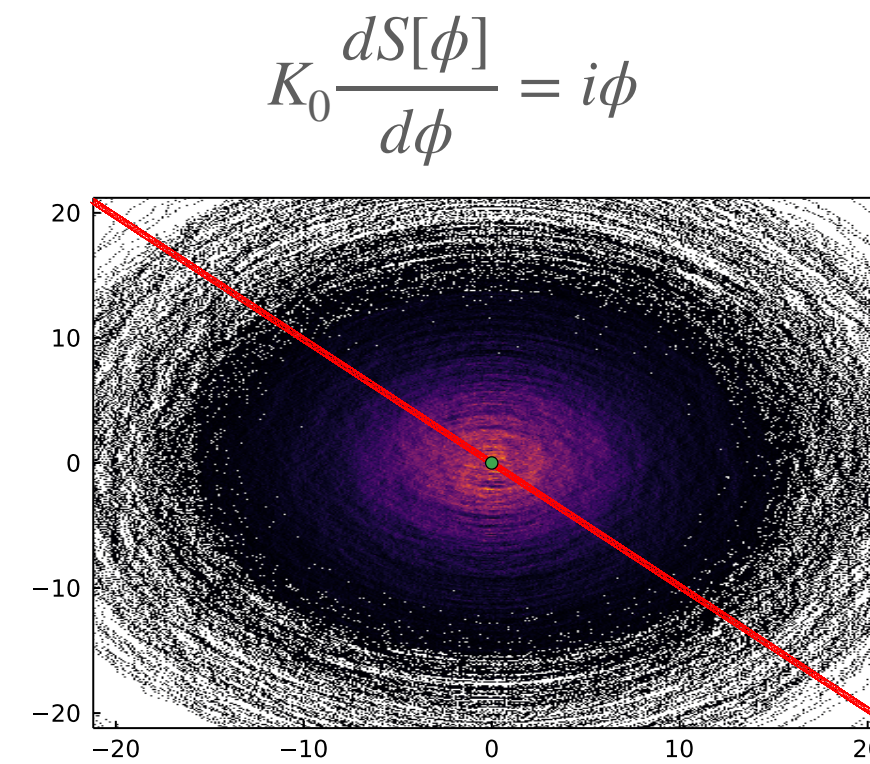


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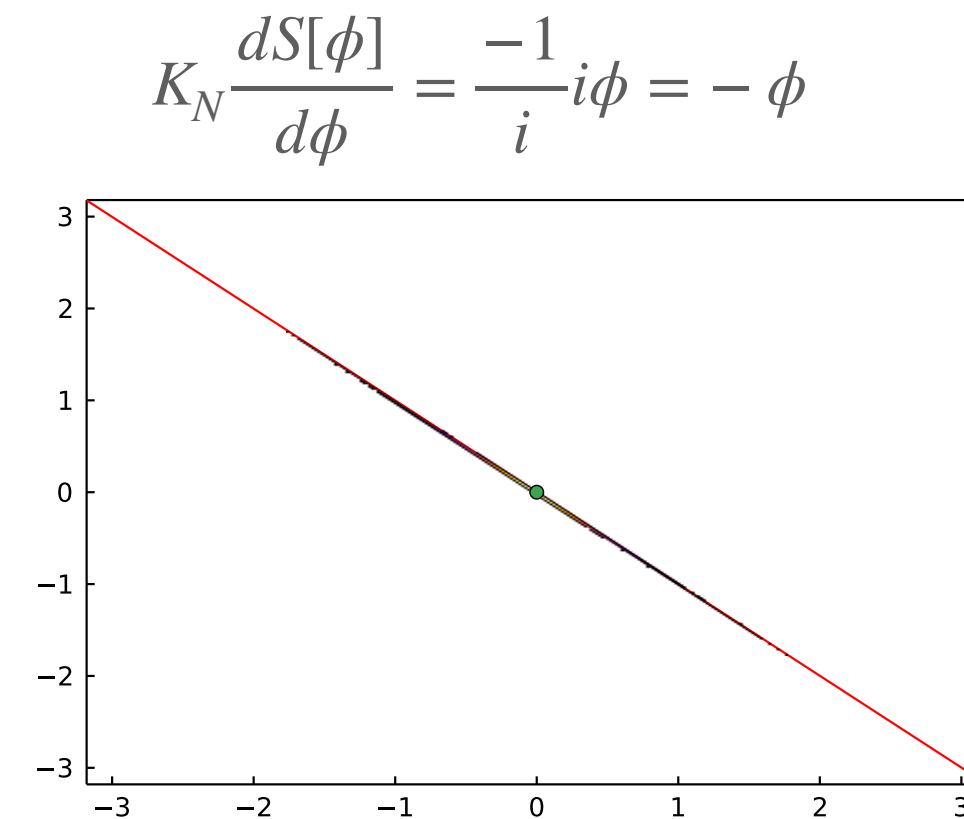


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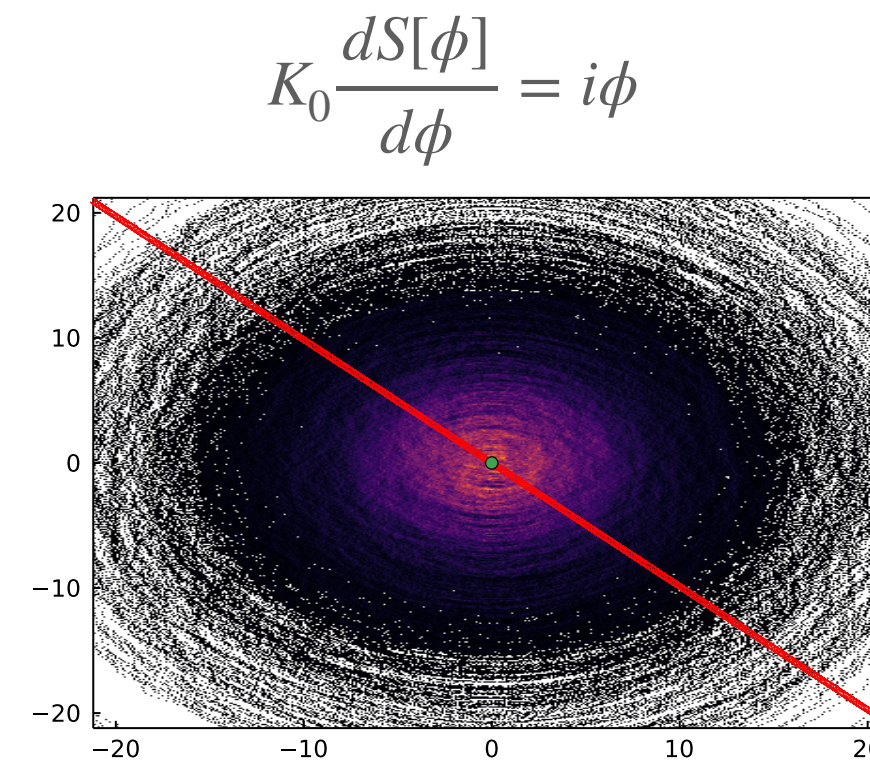
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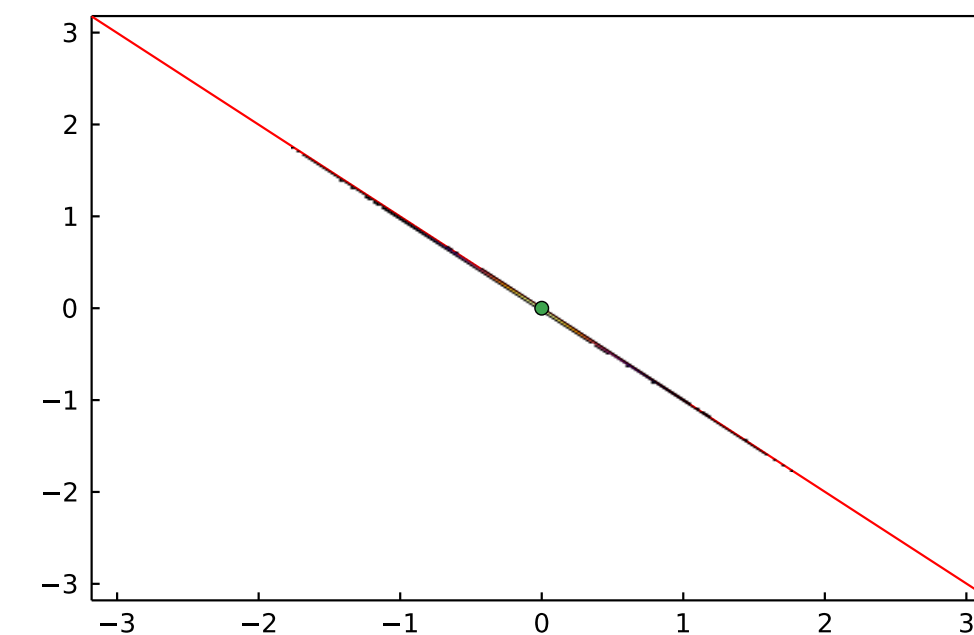
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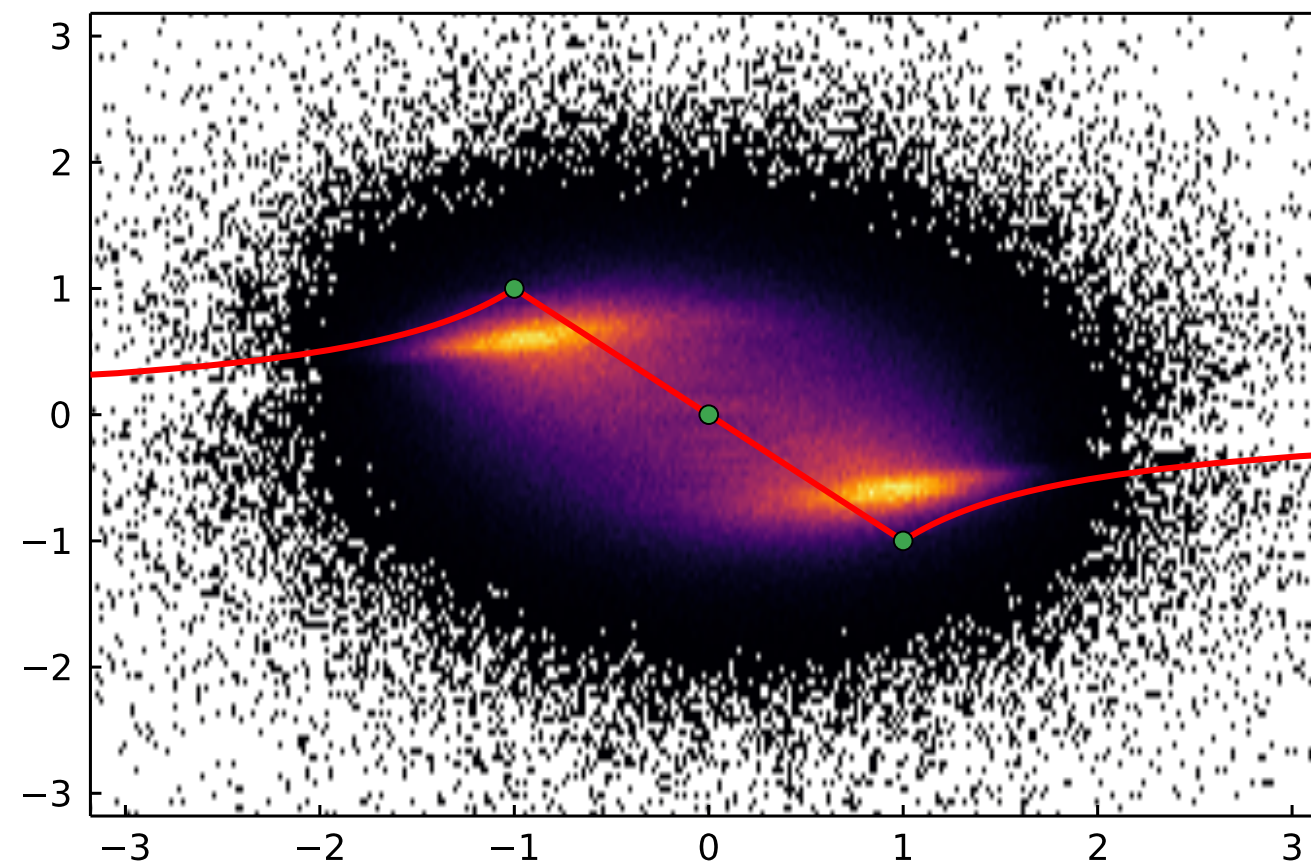
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$$K_N \frac{dS[\phi]}{d\phi} = \frac{-1}{i}i\phi = -\phi$$



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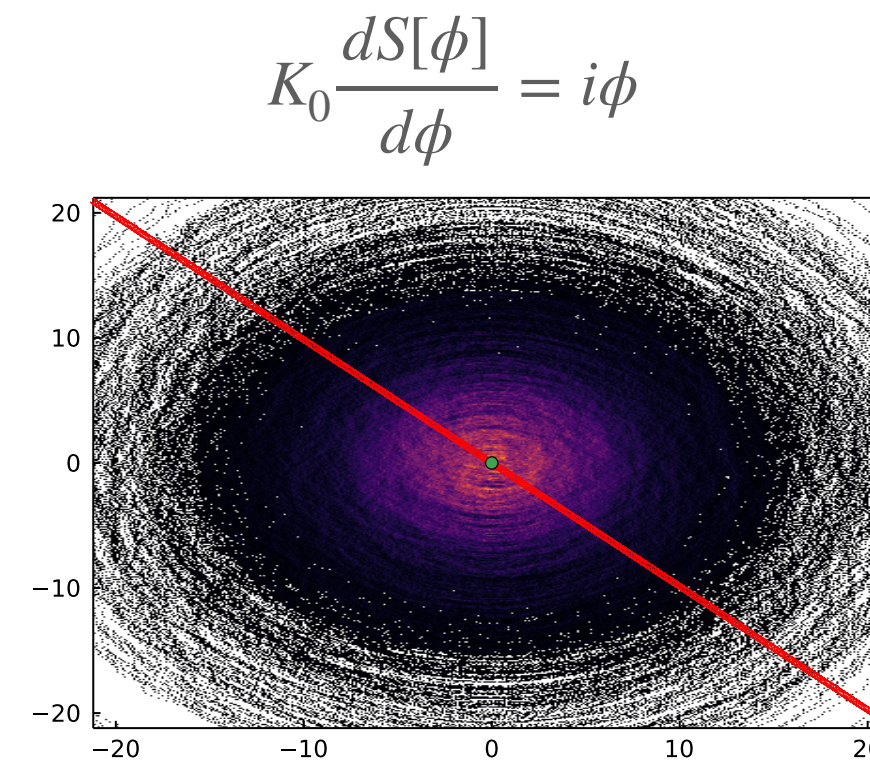
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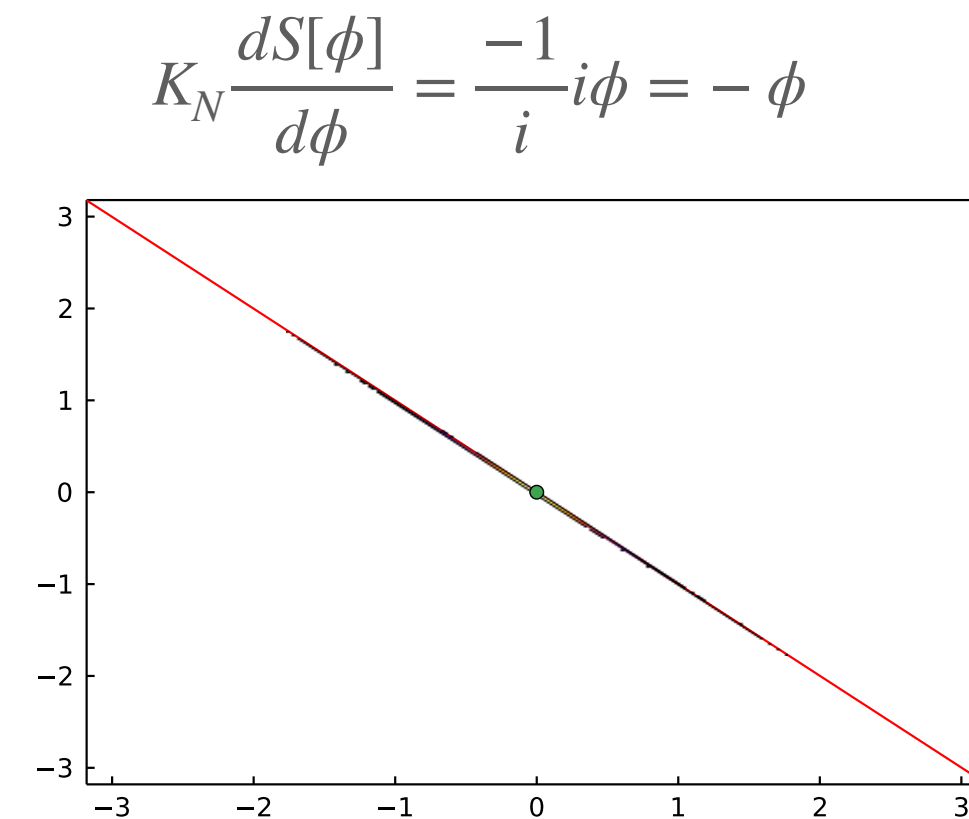
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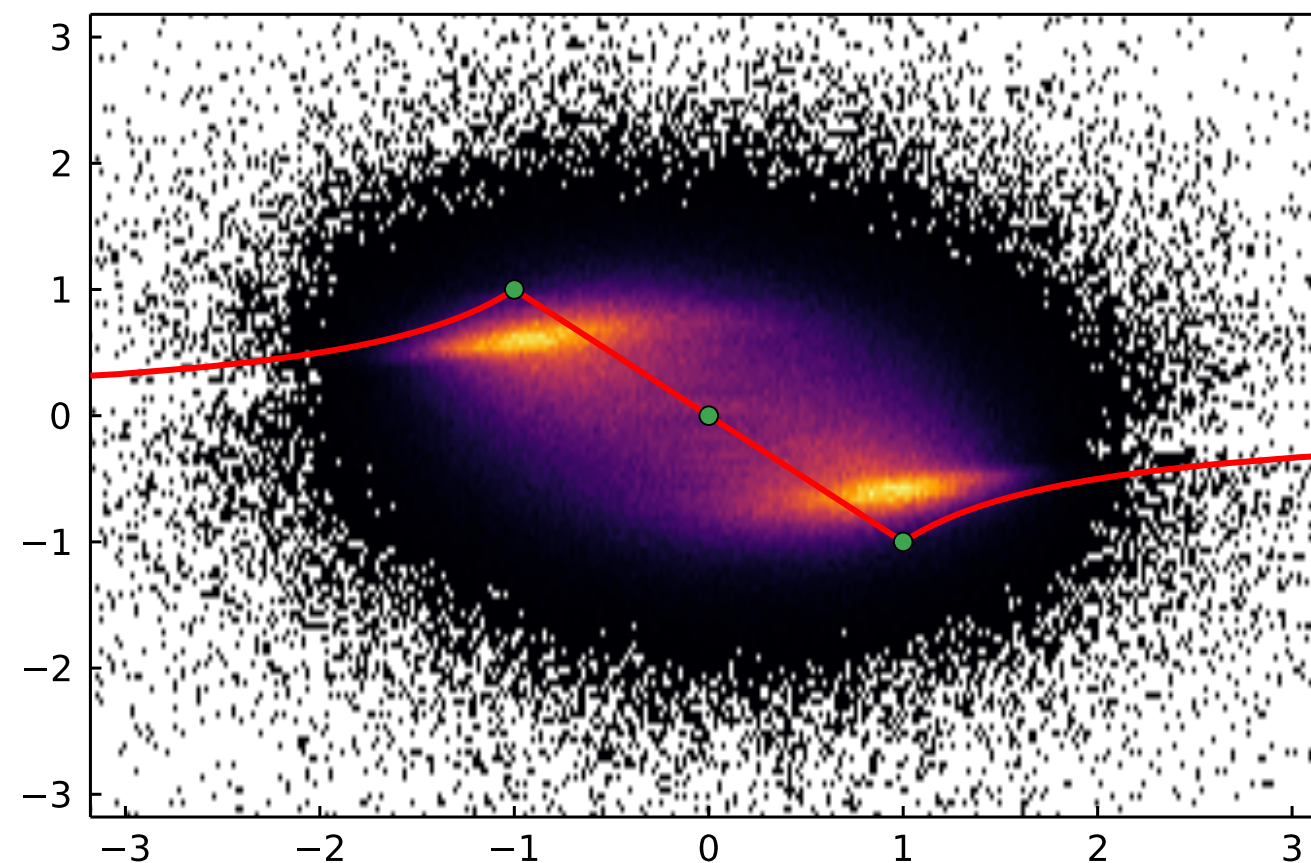


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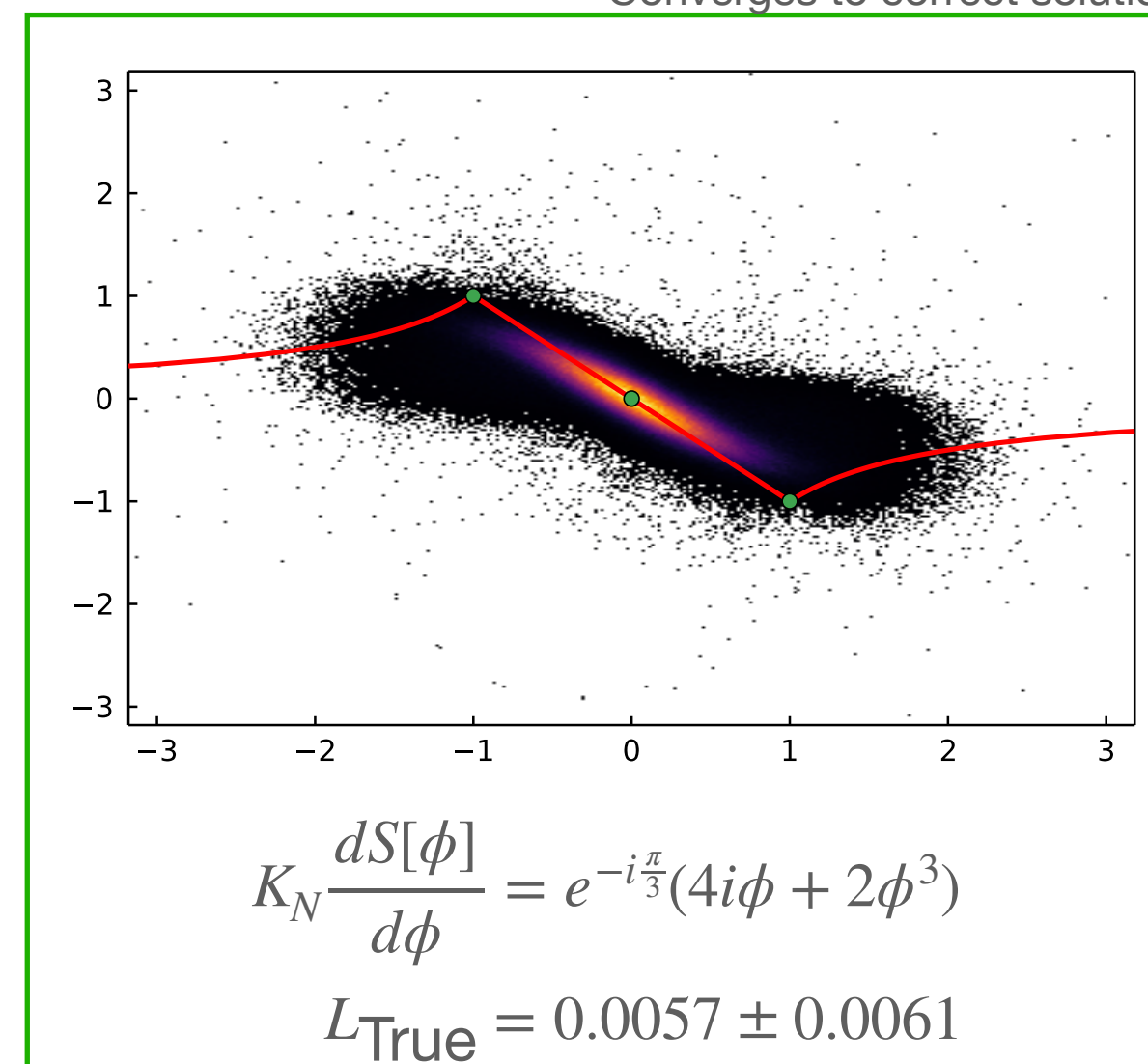
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Optimising  $L_D$  for a  
constant kernel  
 $K = e^{i\theta}$

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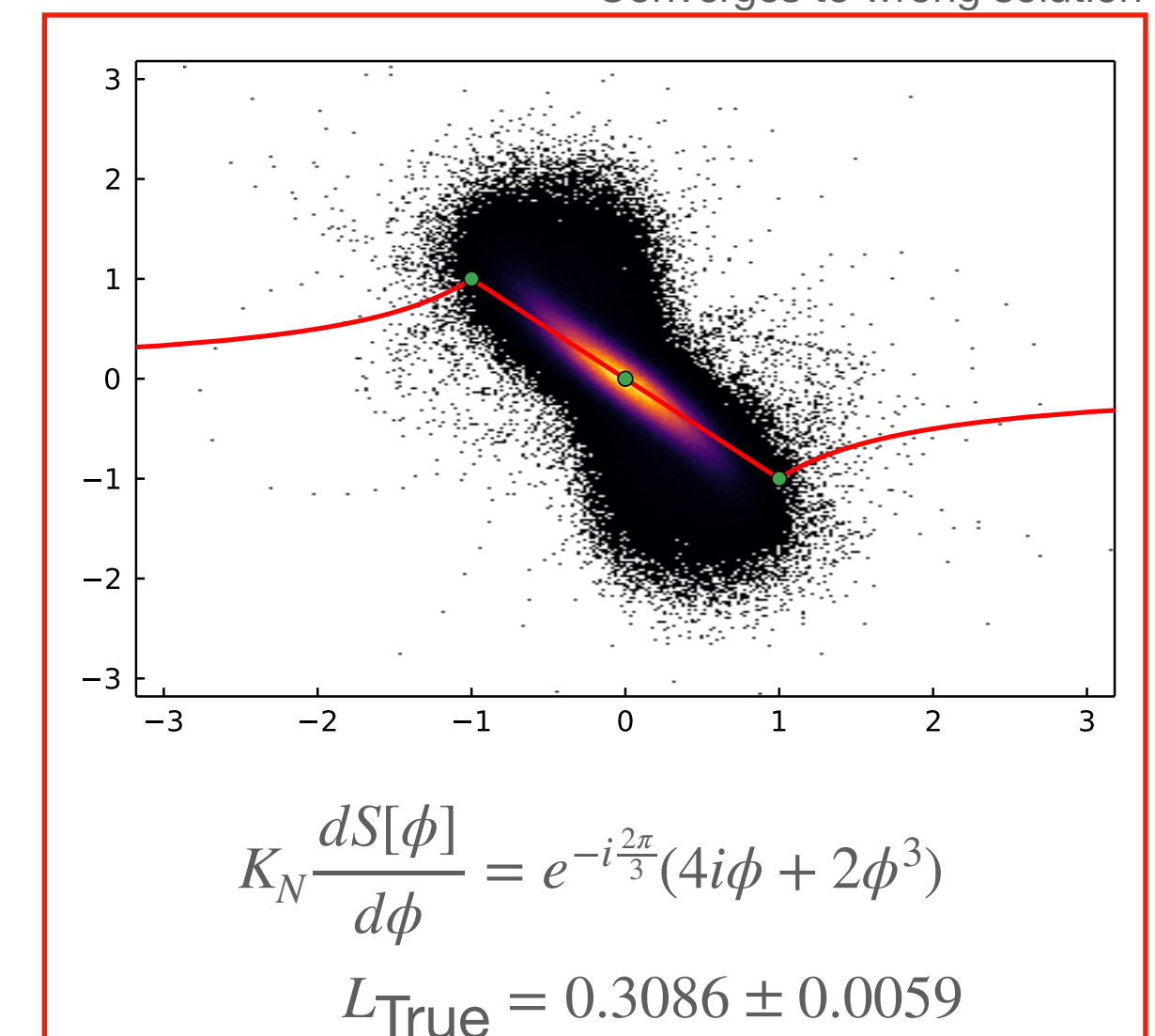
Fokker-Planck  
eigenvalues

Converges to correct solution



And

Converges to wrong solution



# Boundary terms and kernels

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$$\sigma = -1 + 4i, \lambda = 2$$



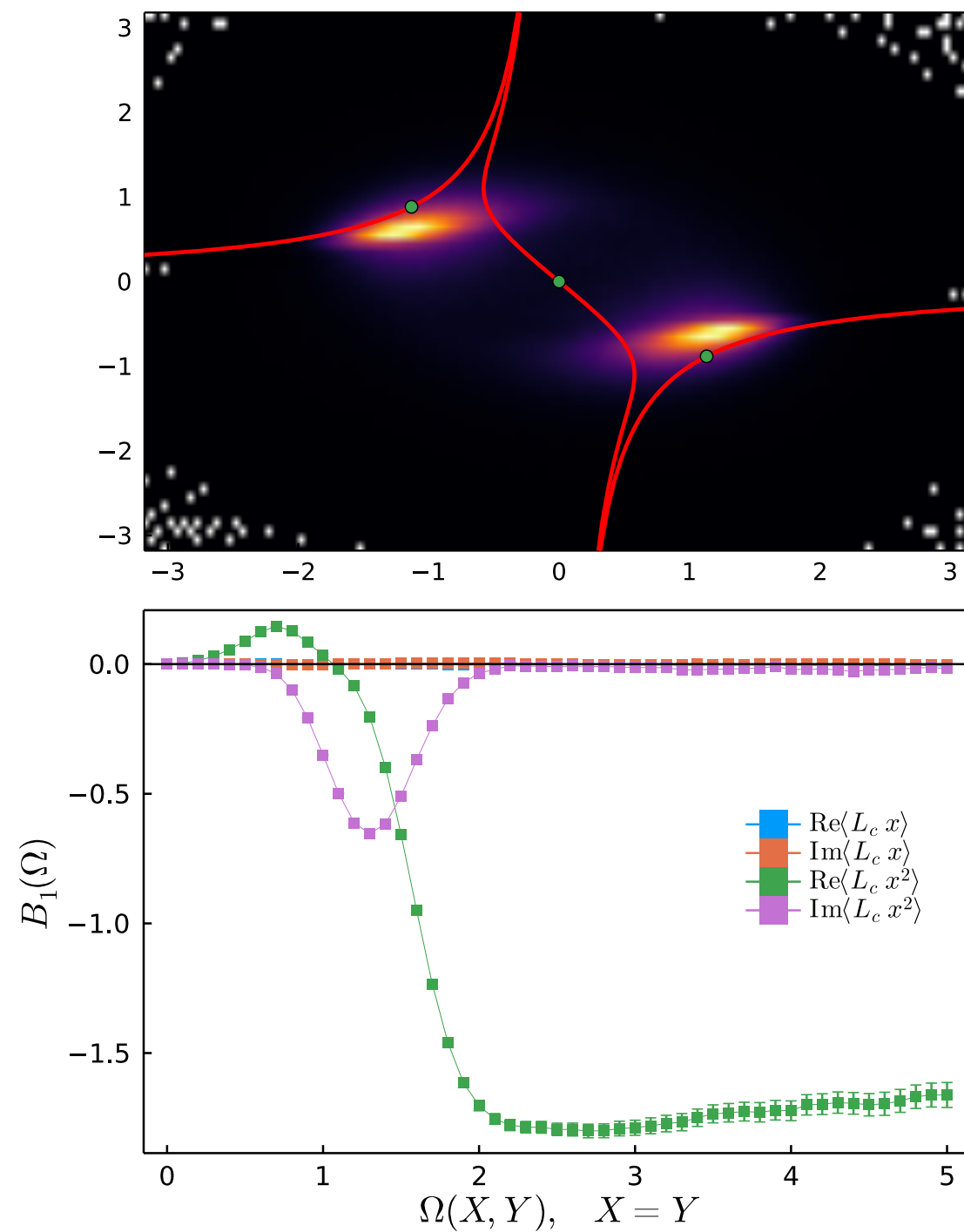
- Minimising  $L_D$  minimise the boundary terms:

$$B_1(Y) = \langle L_c \mathcal{O}(x + iy) \rangle = \langle (\nabla_x + \nabla S) K \nabla_x \mathcal{O}(x + iy) \rangle_Y$$

$$L_{\text{True}} = |\langle x \rangle - \langle x \rangle_{\text{True}}| + |\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x^2 \rangle_{\text{True}}|$$

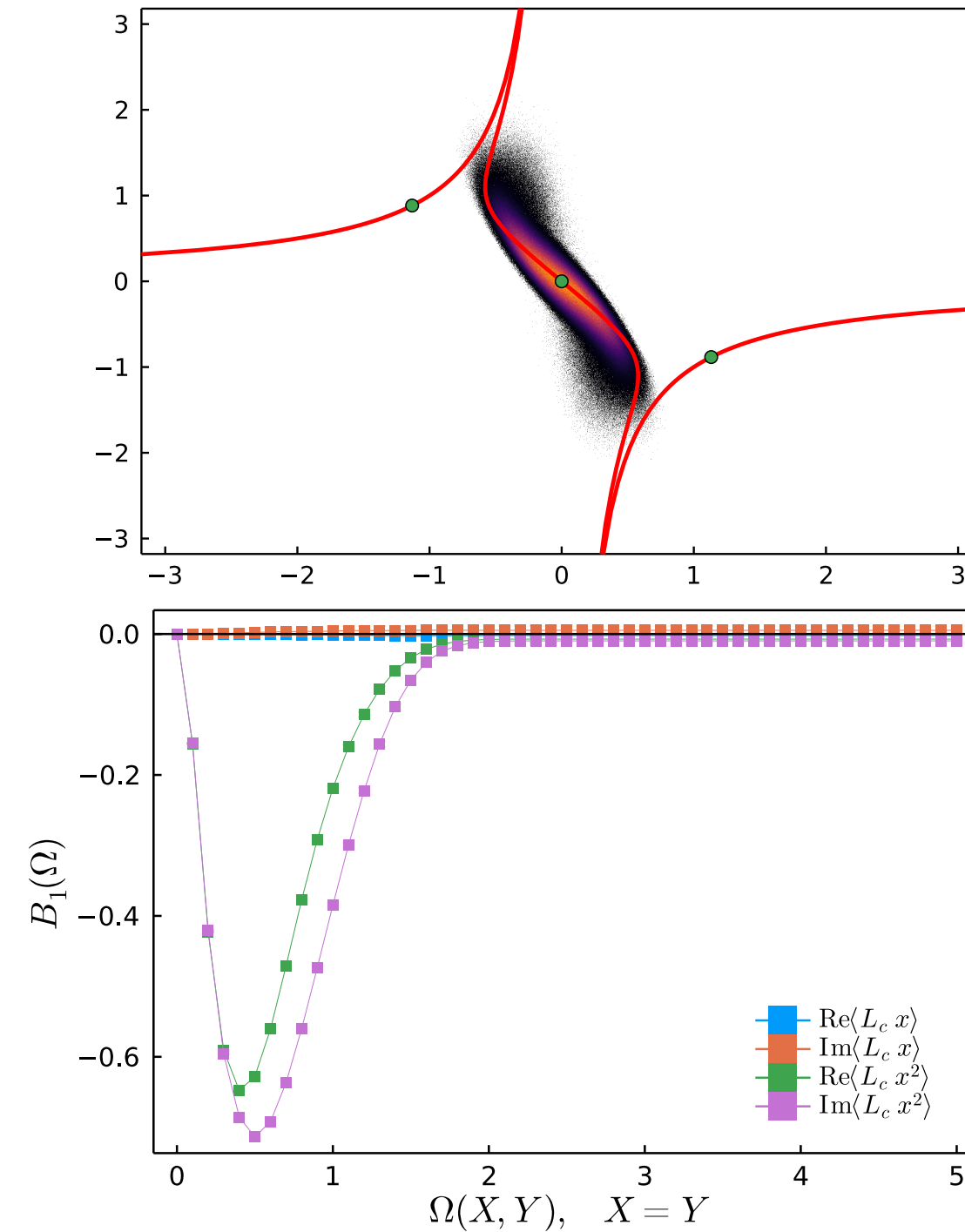
- No boundary terms  $\neq$  true solution when using a kernel?

$$K = 1$$



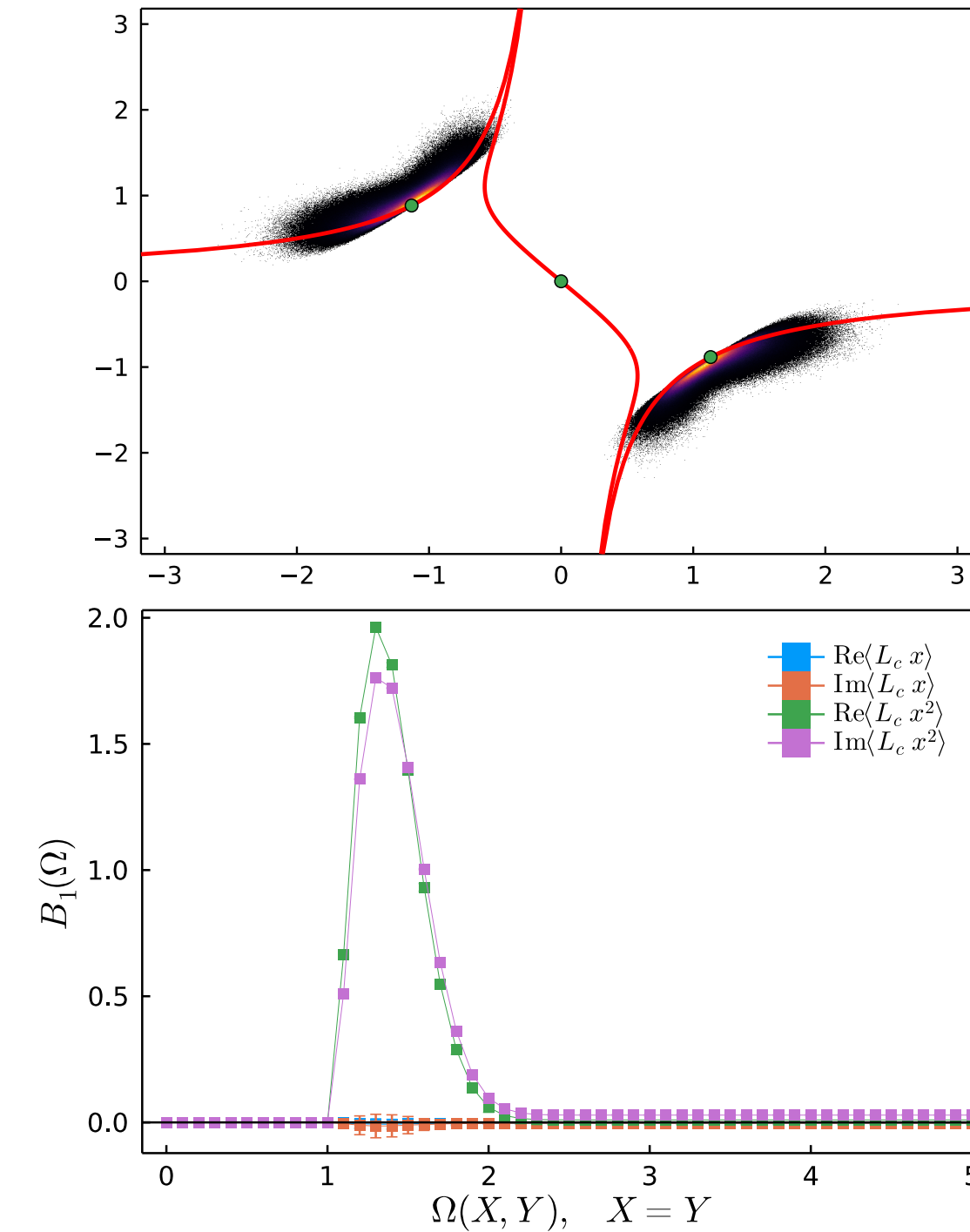
$$L_{\text{True}} = 0.888 \pm 0.008$$

$$K = e^{-\frac{3\pi}{4}}$$



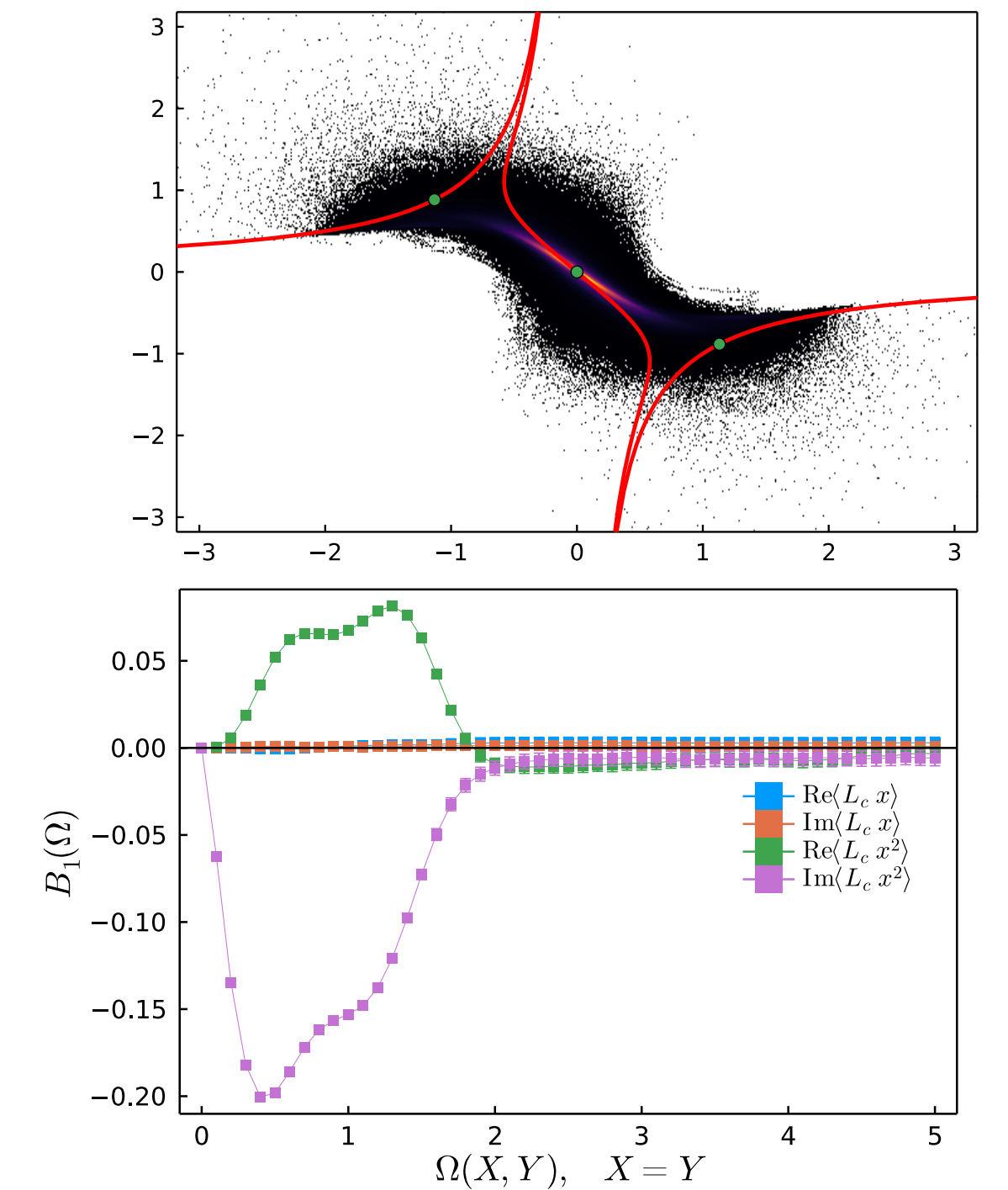
$$L_{\text{True}} = 0.486 \pm 0.002$$

$$K = e^{-\frac{6\pi}{4}}$$



$$L_{\text{True}} = 2.15 \pm 0.11$$

Field dependent kernel



$$L_{\text{True}} = 0.023 \pm 0.024$$



# Summary and outlook

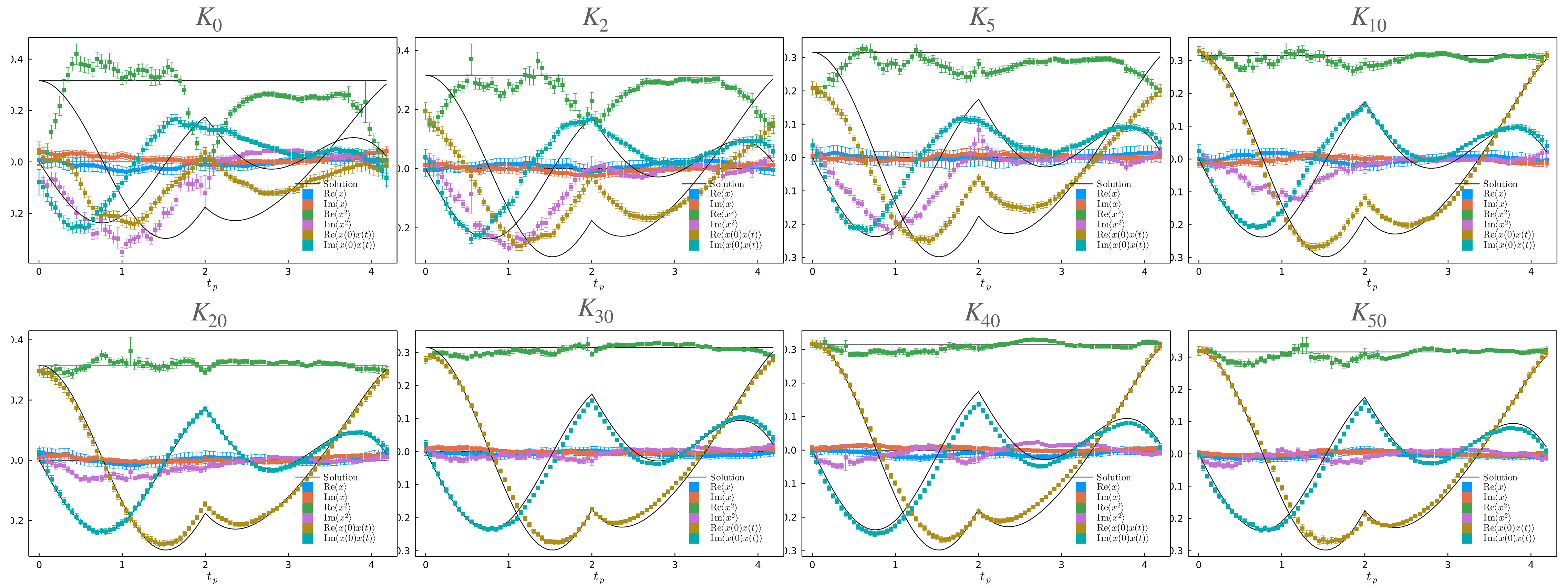
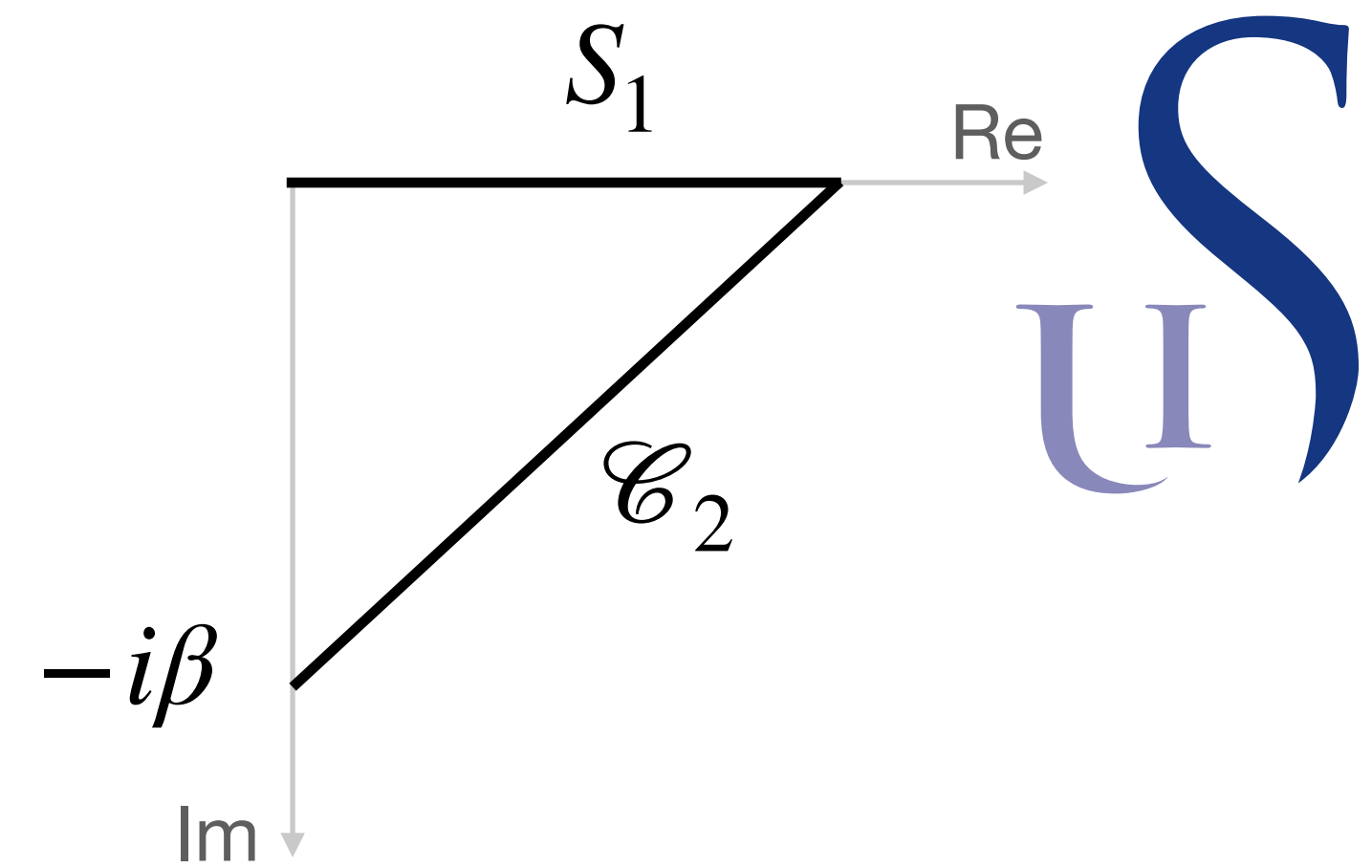
- Goal: extending real-time convergence CL
- Kernel controlled complex Langevin
  - No convergence problem for free scalar theory
  - Learning kernel in thermal  $\phi^4$  theory
- Kernel as appropriately parameterised function
  - Field dependent kernel
  - Generalise to any real-time
- Improved loss function including more than one of the critical points





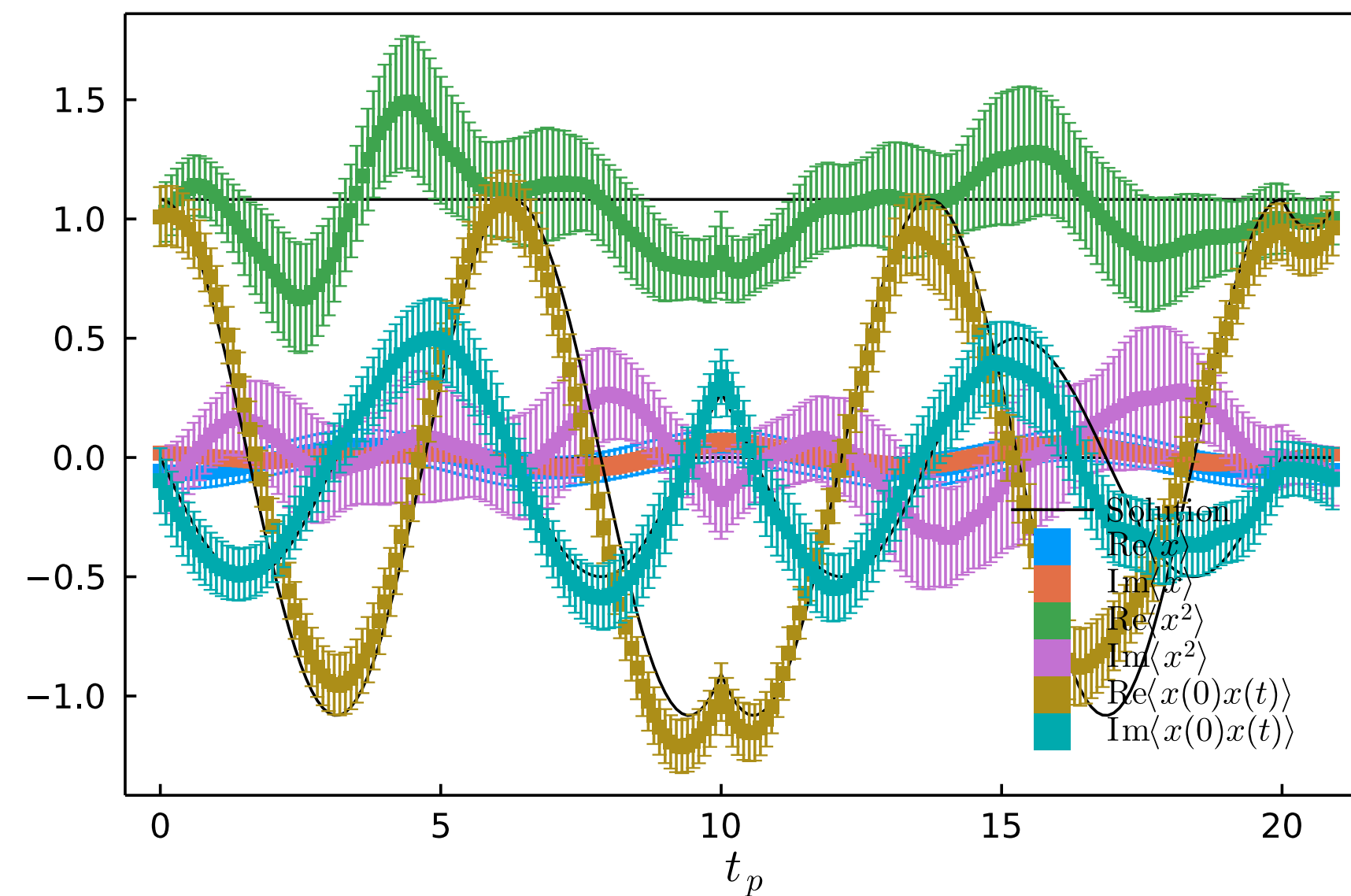
# Tilted contour

- Follow real axis up to  $x_0^{\max} = 2.0$
- Using  $\beta = 1.0$ ,  $m = 1$ ,  $\lambda = 24$
- Form of the kernel  $K = e^{A+iB}$



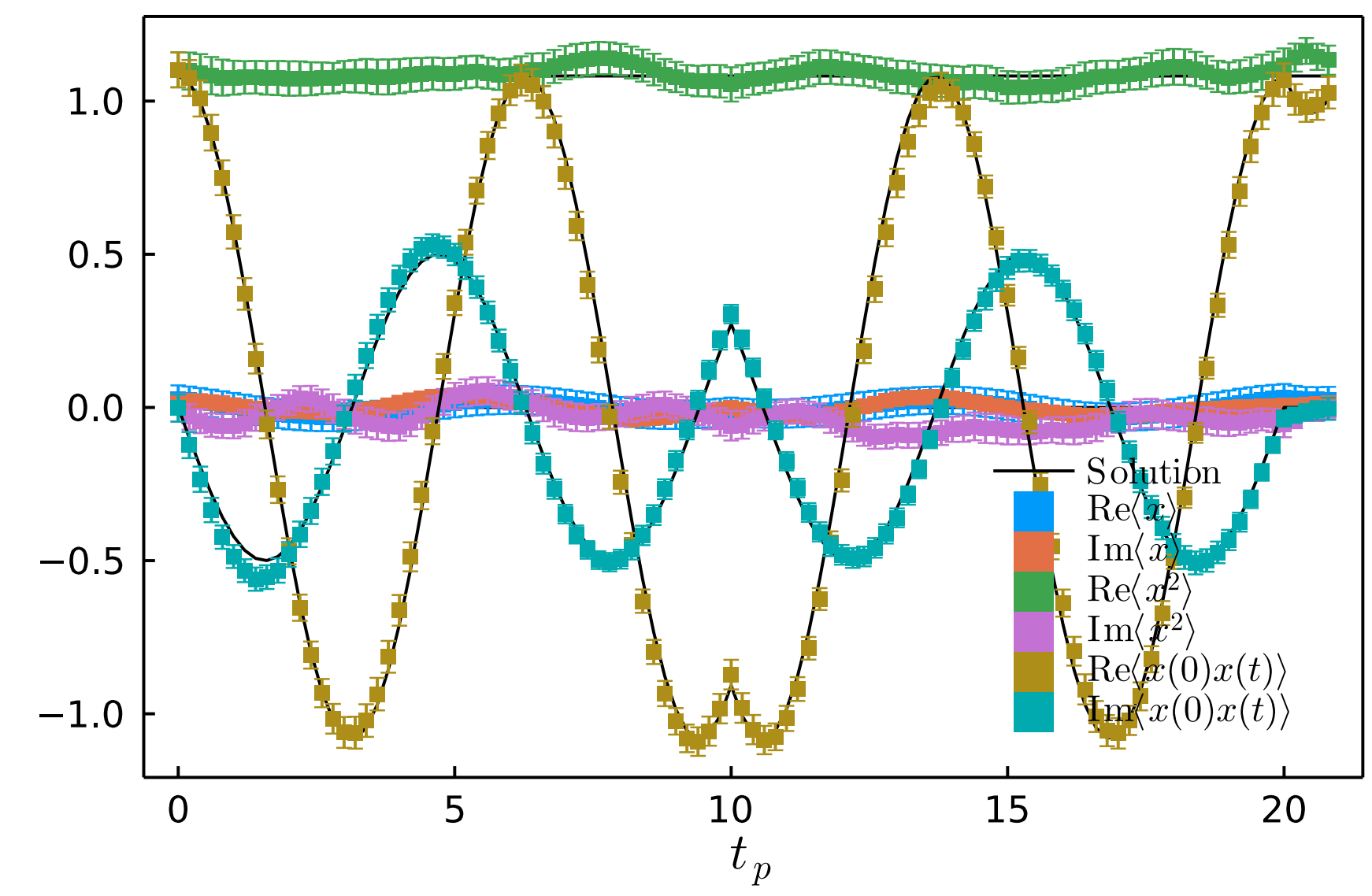
# Learning free theory kernel

- Able to find kernel when only one critical point at the origin
- Kernel form  $K = e^{A+iB}$



Optimising  $L_D$  using  
constant kernel

30 iterations



# Field dependent kernel

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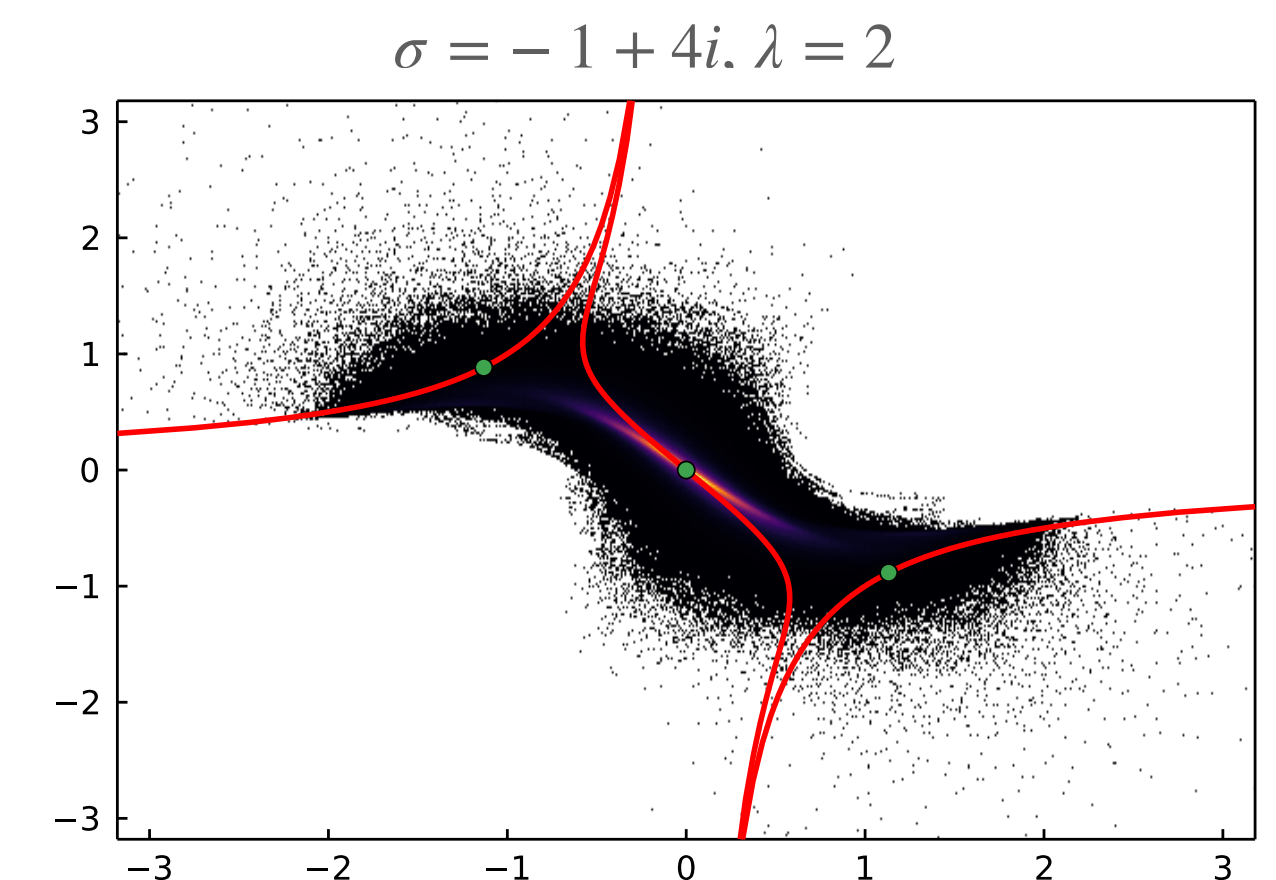
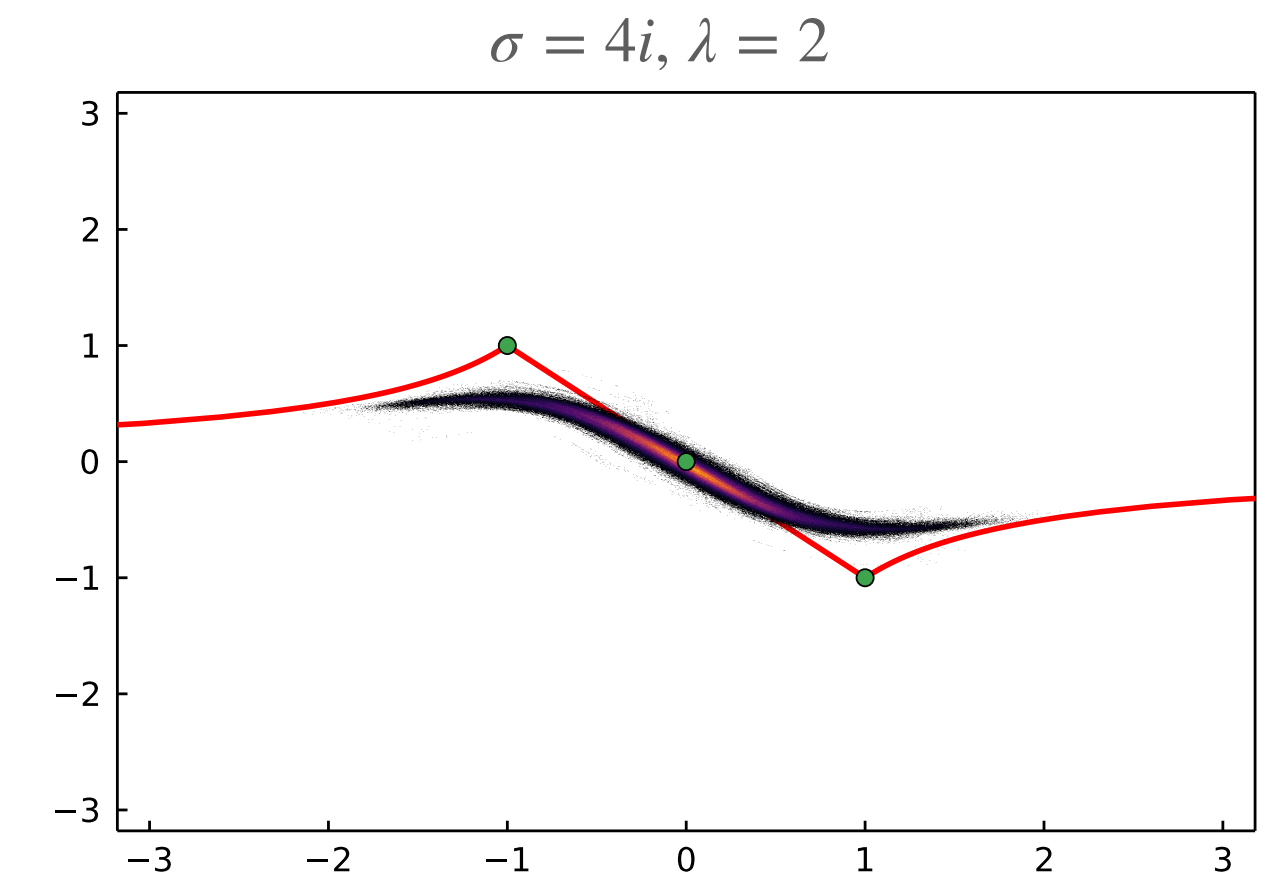
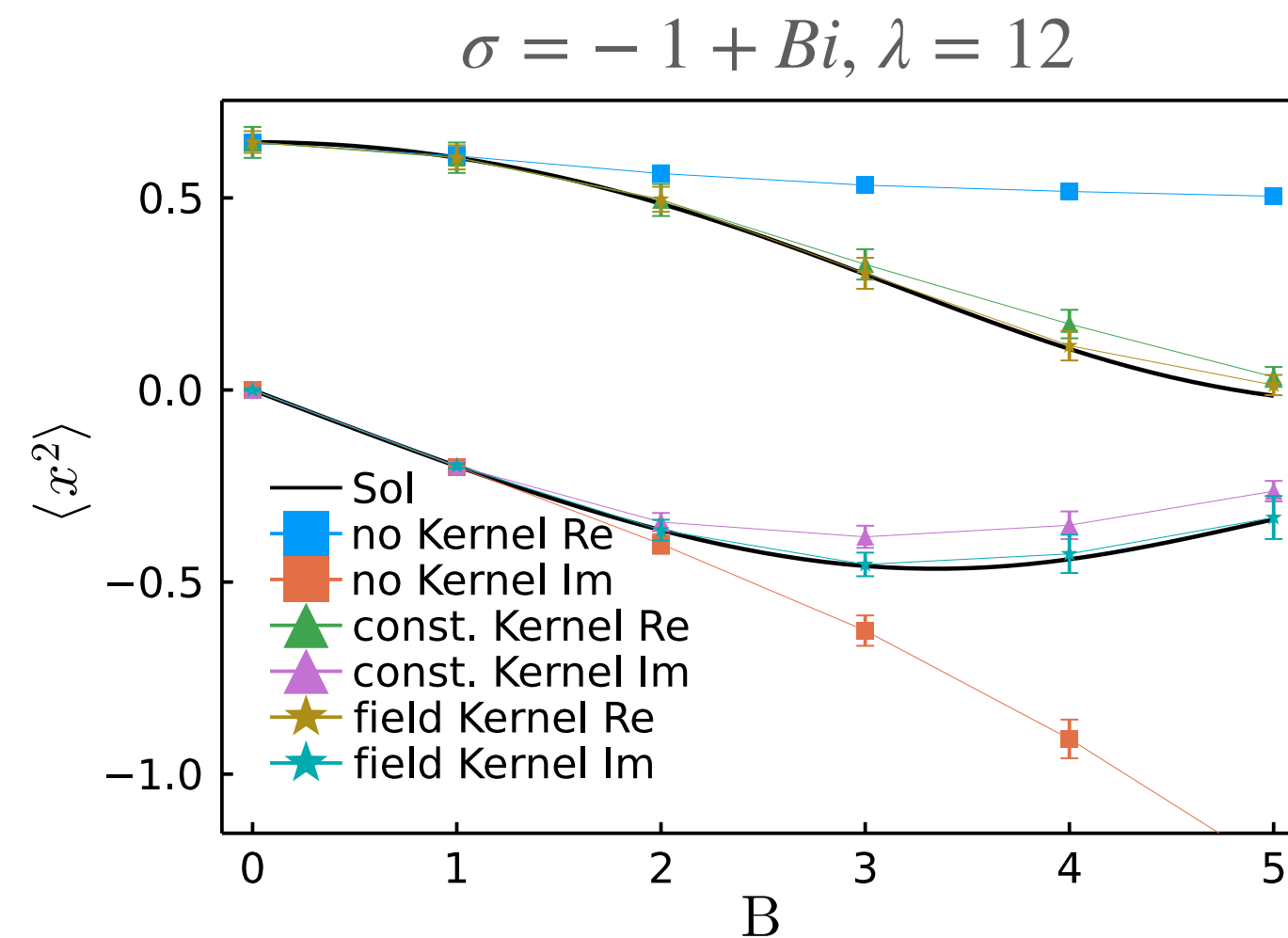


- Need to add extra derivative term

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\tau_0} = K[\phi] \frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta \phi} + \frac{\partial K[\phi]}{\partial \phi} + \sqrt{K[\phi]} \xi$$

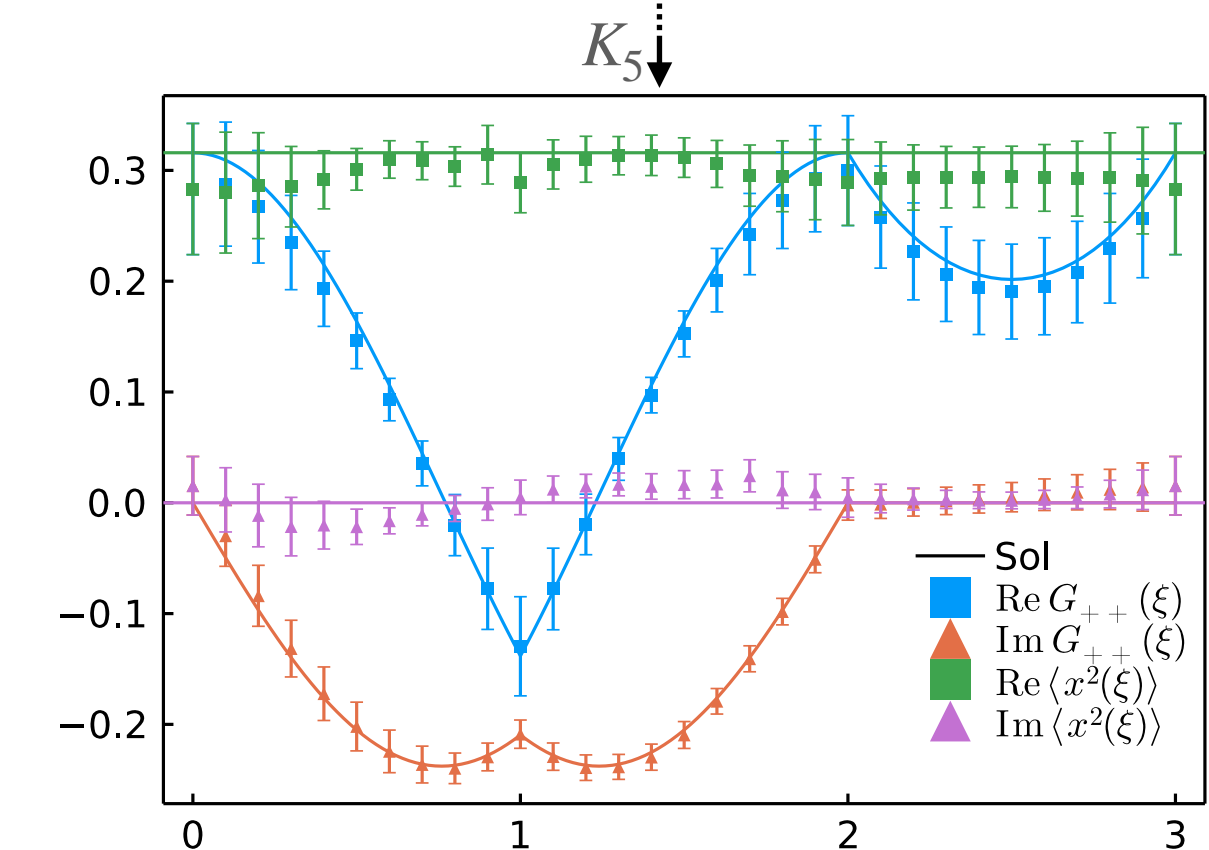
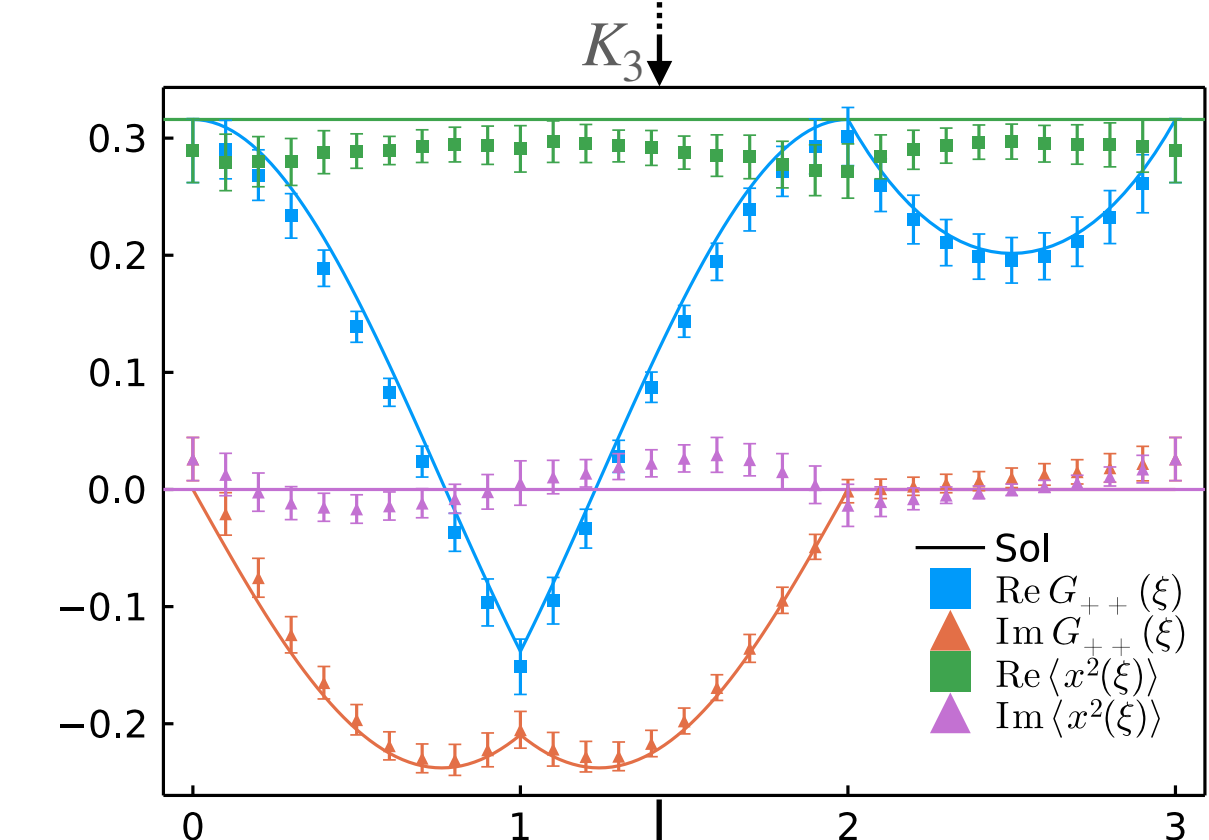
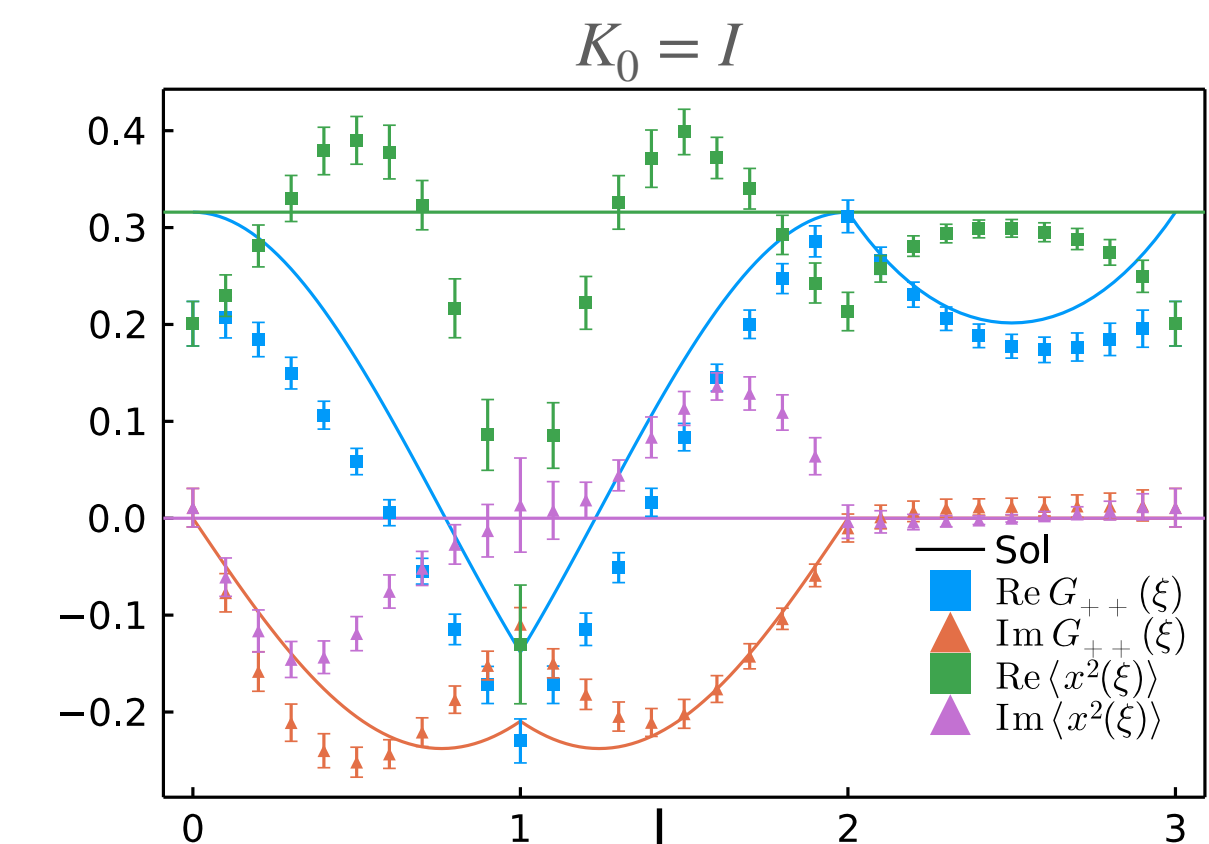
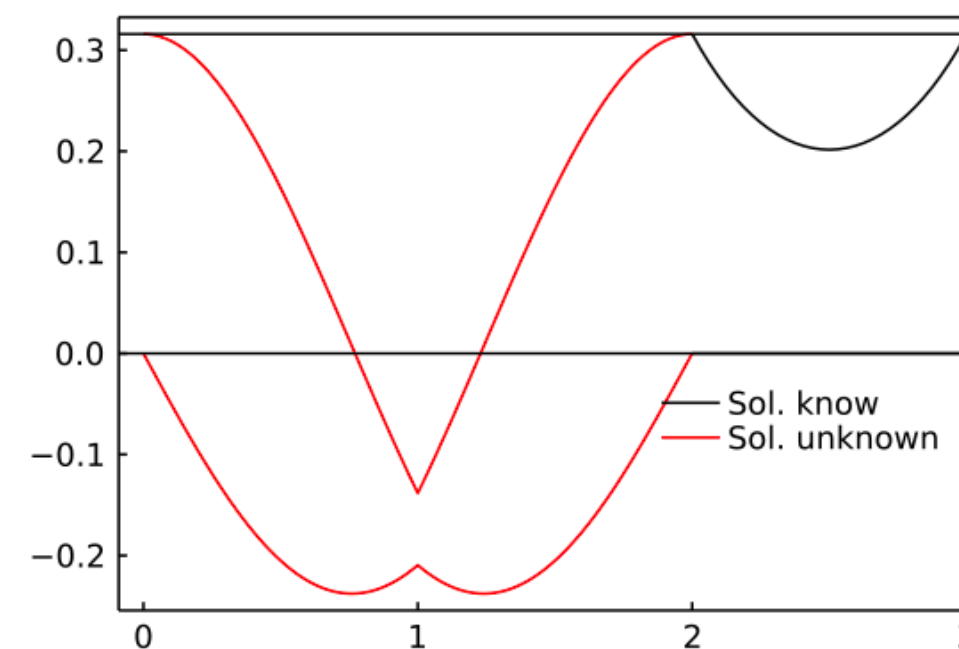
$$K = \frac{1}{|\sigma|} f(x^2) e^{-i\theta_\sigma} + \frac{1}{|\lambda|} (1 - f(x^2)) e^{-i\theta_\lambda}$$

$$f(x^2) = e^{-x^2(-\sigma/\lambda)}$$



# Construct kernel

- Can we find a kernel by using prior knowledge about the Complex Langevin and the model
- In thermal  $\phi^4$  we know:
  - $\langle x \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle x^2 \rangle = \text{Re}\langle x^2 \rangle = \text{const.}$
  - Euclidean correlation  $G(\xi)$  for  $\xi \geq 2$
- Minimize  $L(K) = \sum_i ||O_i - \langle O_i(K) \rangle||^2$
- Matrix kernel, starting out with  $K_0 = I$
- Update  $K_n$  based on  $\nabla L(K_n)$
- Contour:  $\beta = 1.0$ ,  $x_0^{\max} = 1.0$
- Field dependent kernel





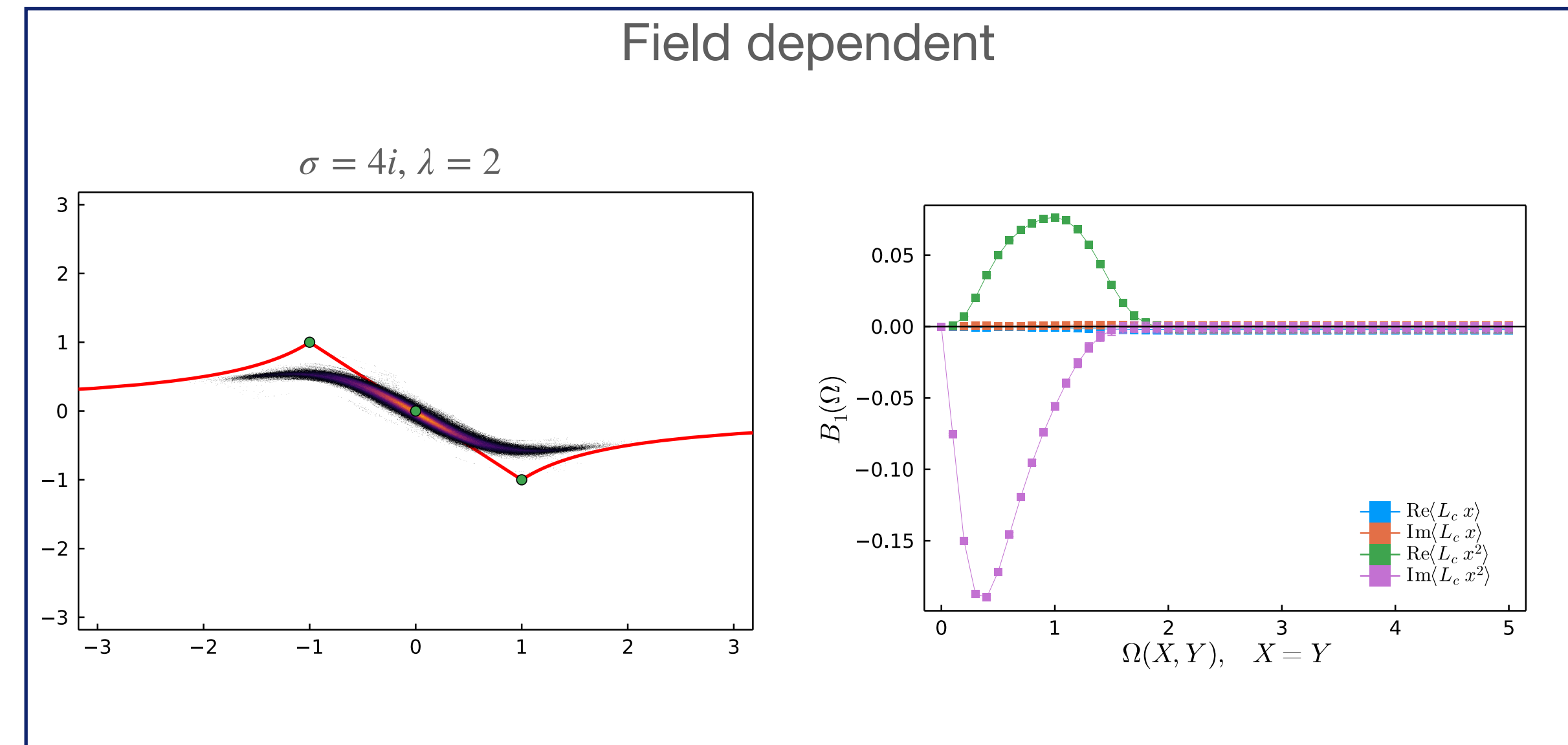
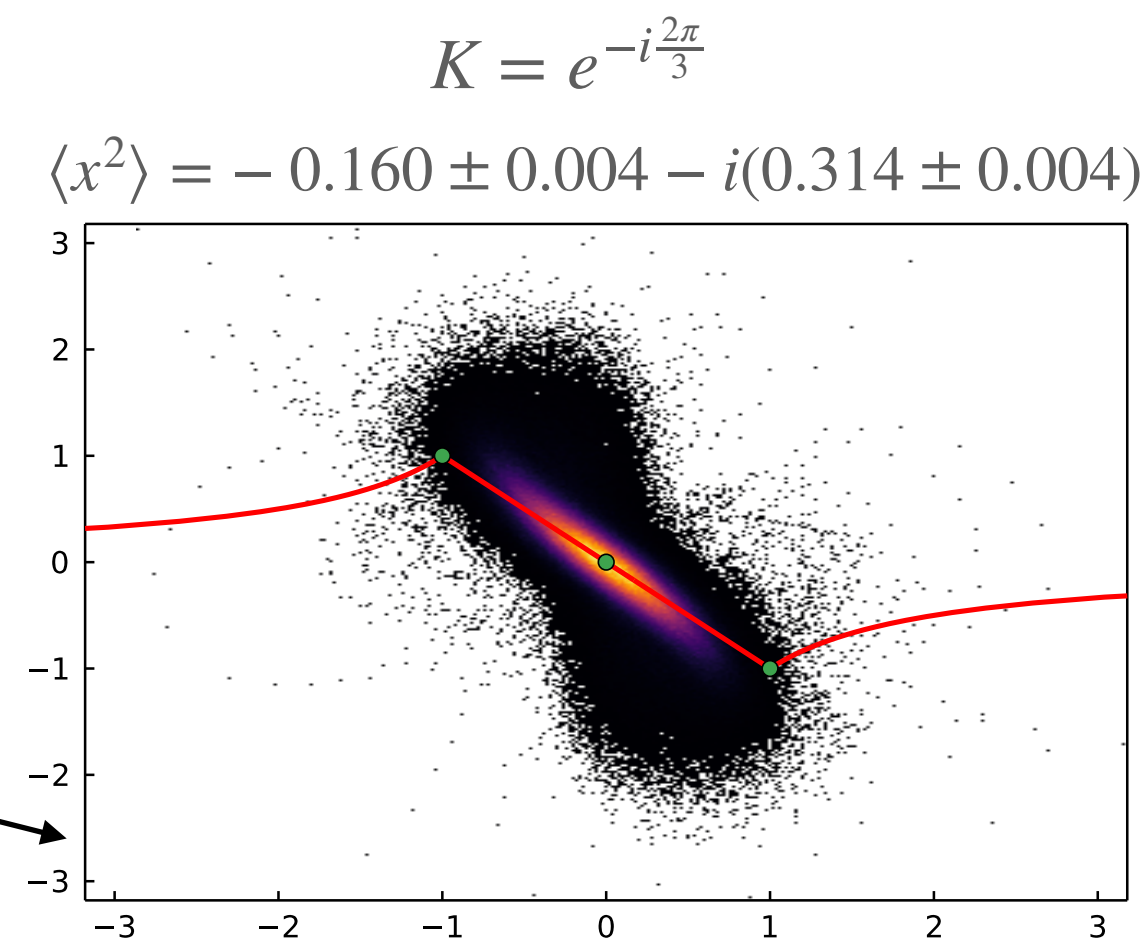
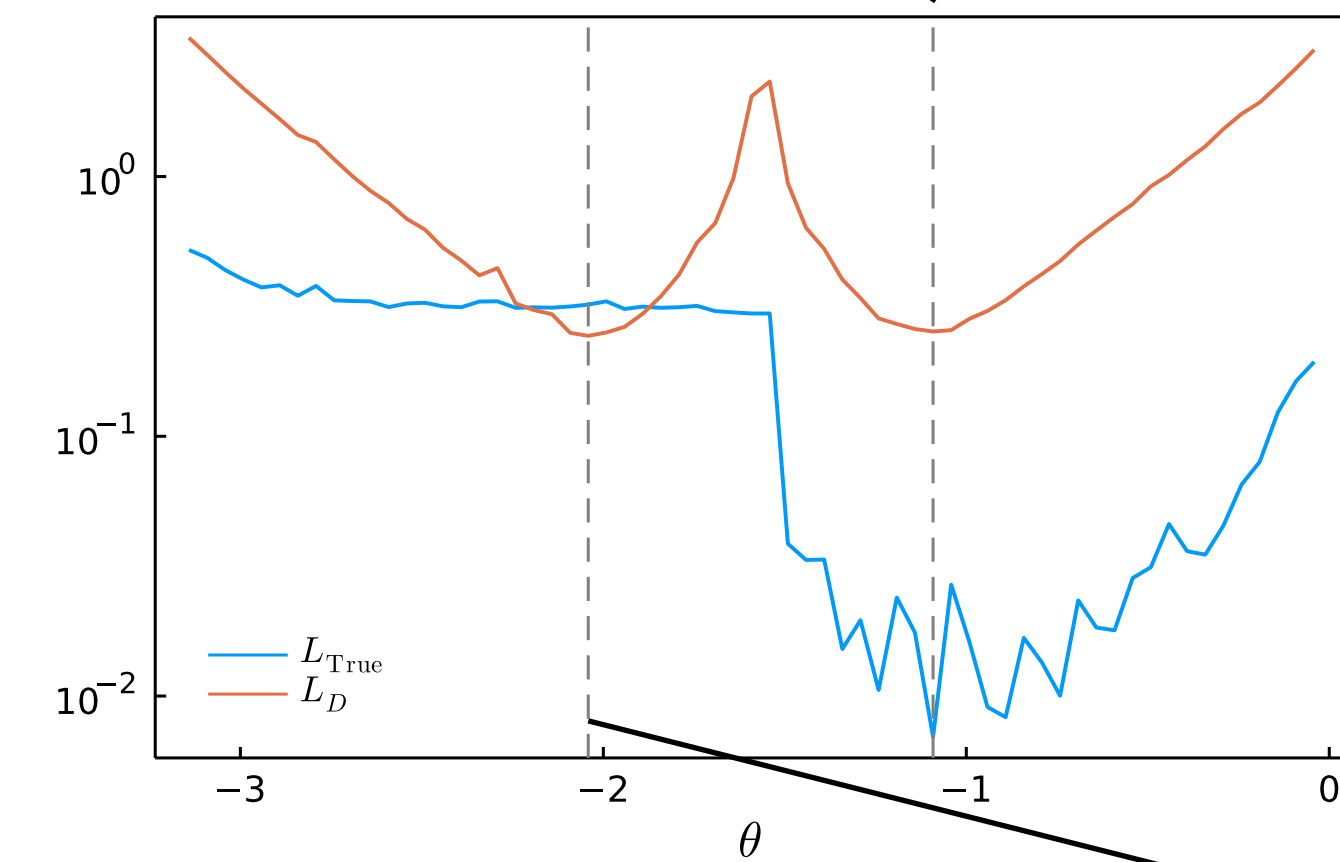
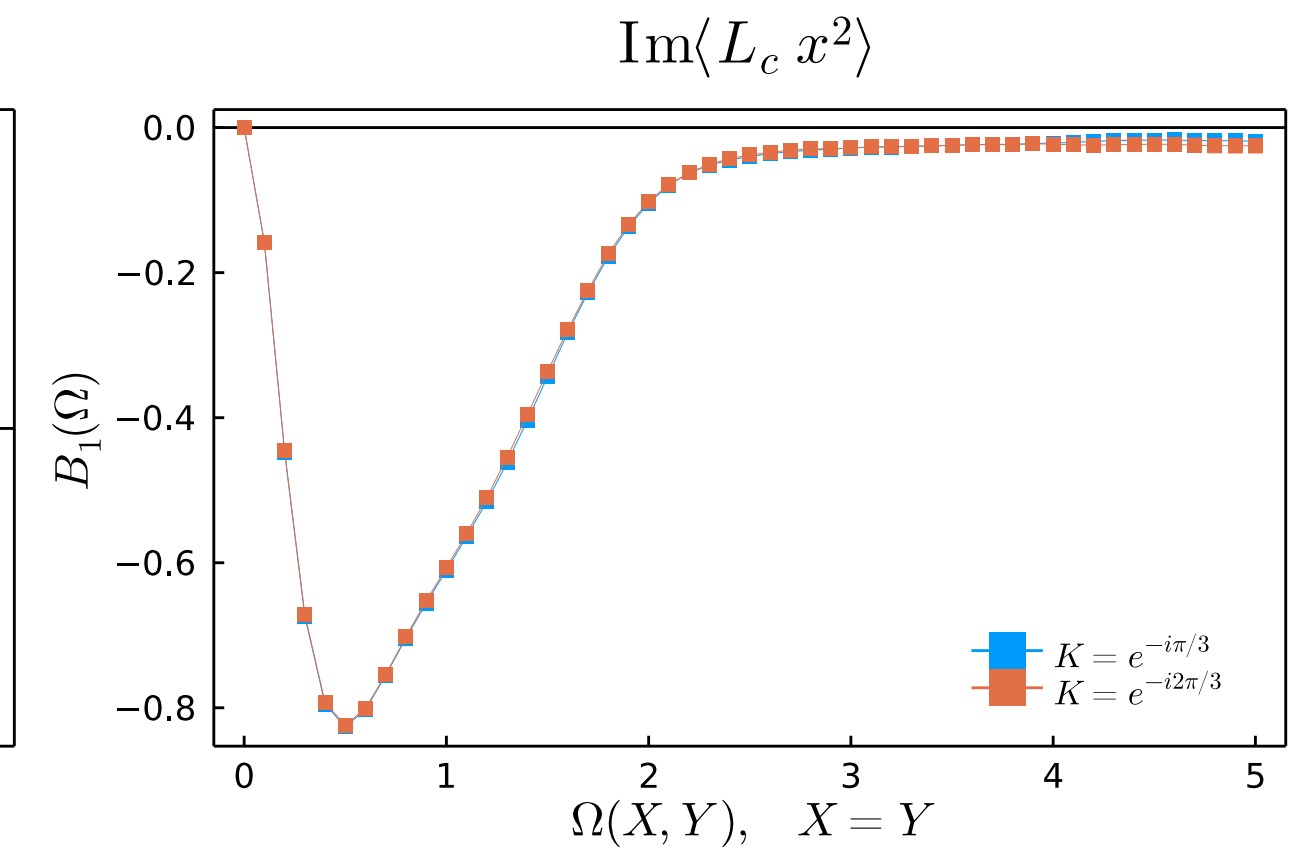
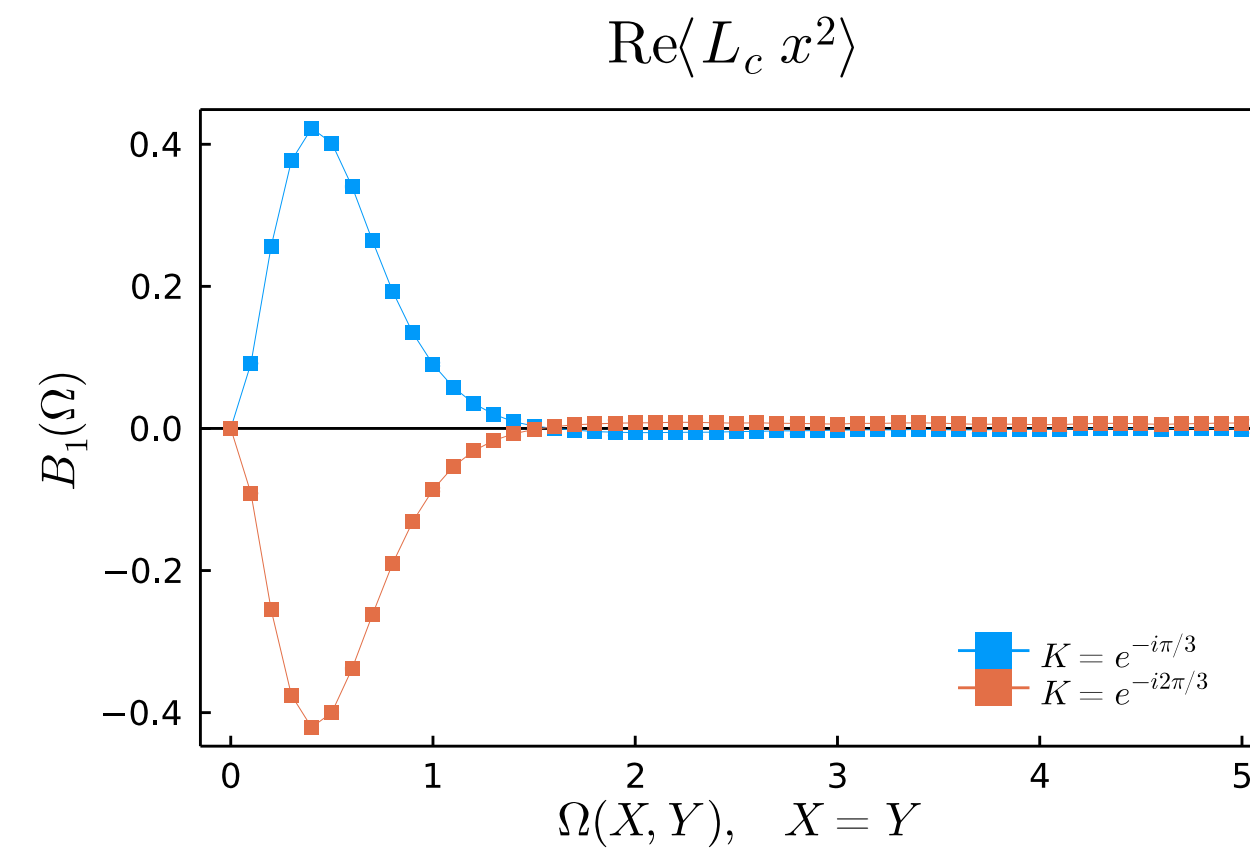
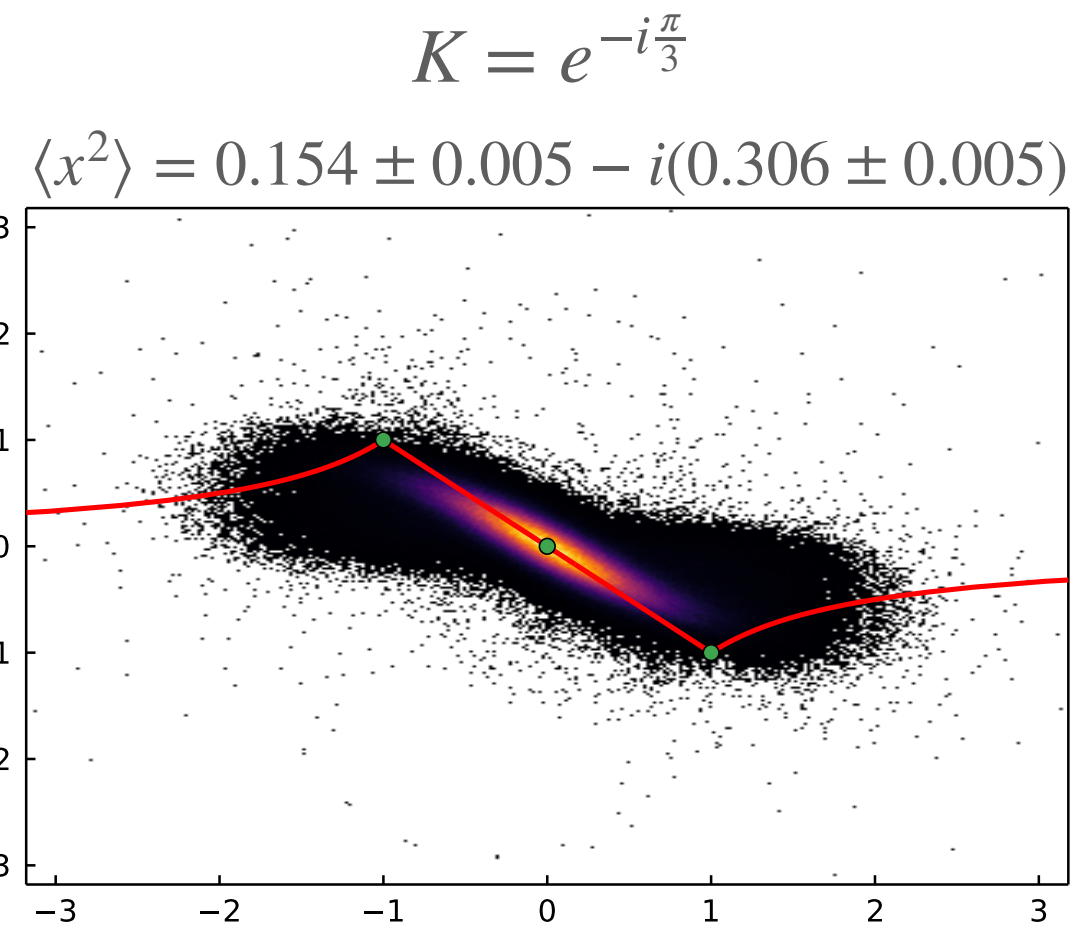
# More info about simple model results



$$S = \frac{1}{2}\sigma x^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4!}x^4$$

$$\sigma = 4i, \lambda = 2$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle_{\text{true}} = 0.150077 - i0.307646$$





# Simple overview of SDE solver (Solution to runaway problem)

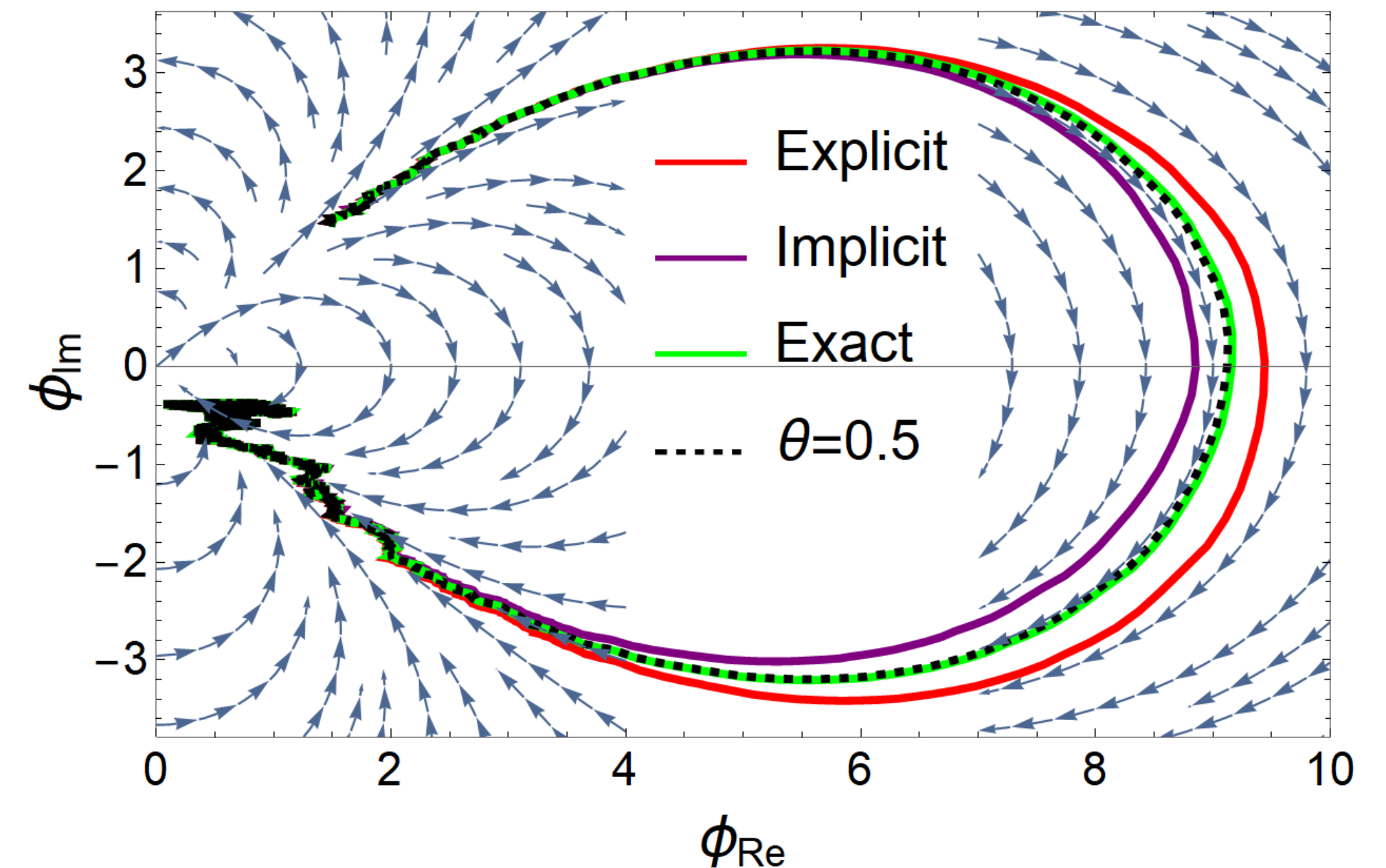


- General Euler-Maruyama Scheme:

$$\phi_j^{\lambda+1} = \phi_j^\lambda + i\epsilon_j \left[ \theta \frac{\partial S^{\lambda+1}}{\partial \phi_j} + (1 - \theta) \frac{\partial S^\lambda}{\partial \phi_j} \right] + \sqrt{\epsilon_j} \eta_j^\lambda$$

$$\text{CLE:} \quad \frac{d\phi}{d\tau_L} = i \frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta \phi(x)} + \eta(x, \tau_L)$$

- Explicit ( $\theta = 0.0$ ): Overshooting
- Implicit ( $\theta = 1.0$ ): Undershooting
- Semi-implicit ( $\theta = 0.5$ ): Stable and close to the exact solution
- For all  $\theta \geq 0.5$  we get rid of runaways (Unconditionally stable)



Simulations done with the [DifferentialEquations.jl](#) library in Julia

