

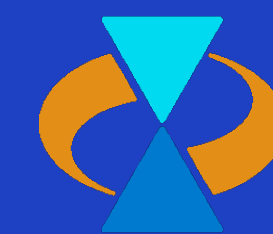


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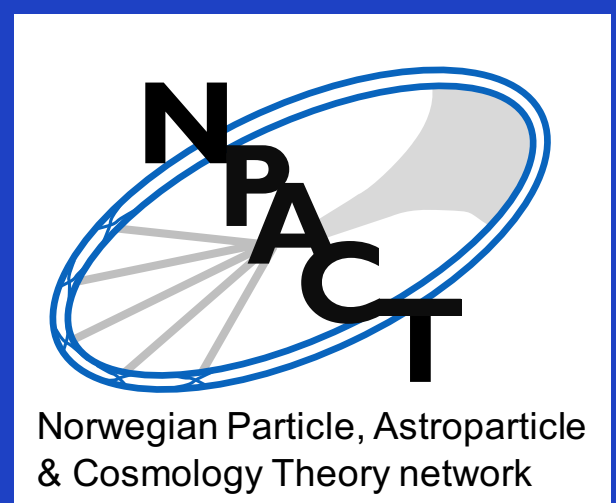
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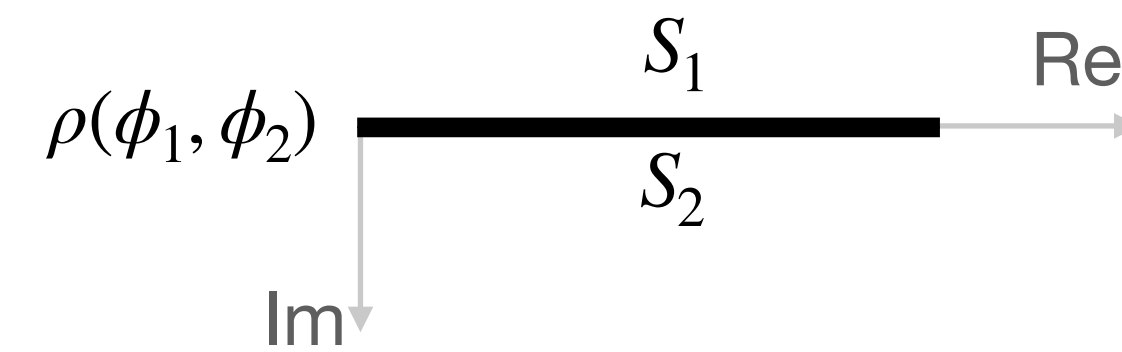
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Importance sampling
not possible

Complex Langevin, Lefschetz thimbles,
Tensor networks,....

Langevin equation

- Langevin equation (Stochastic Differential equation)

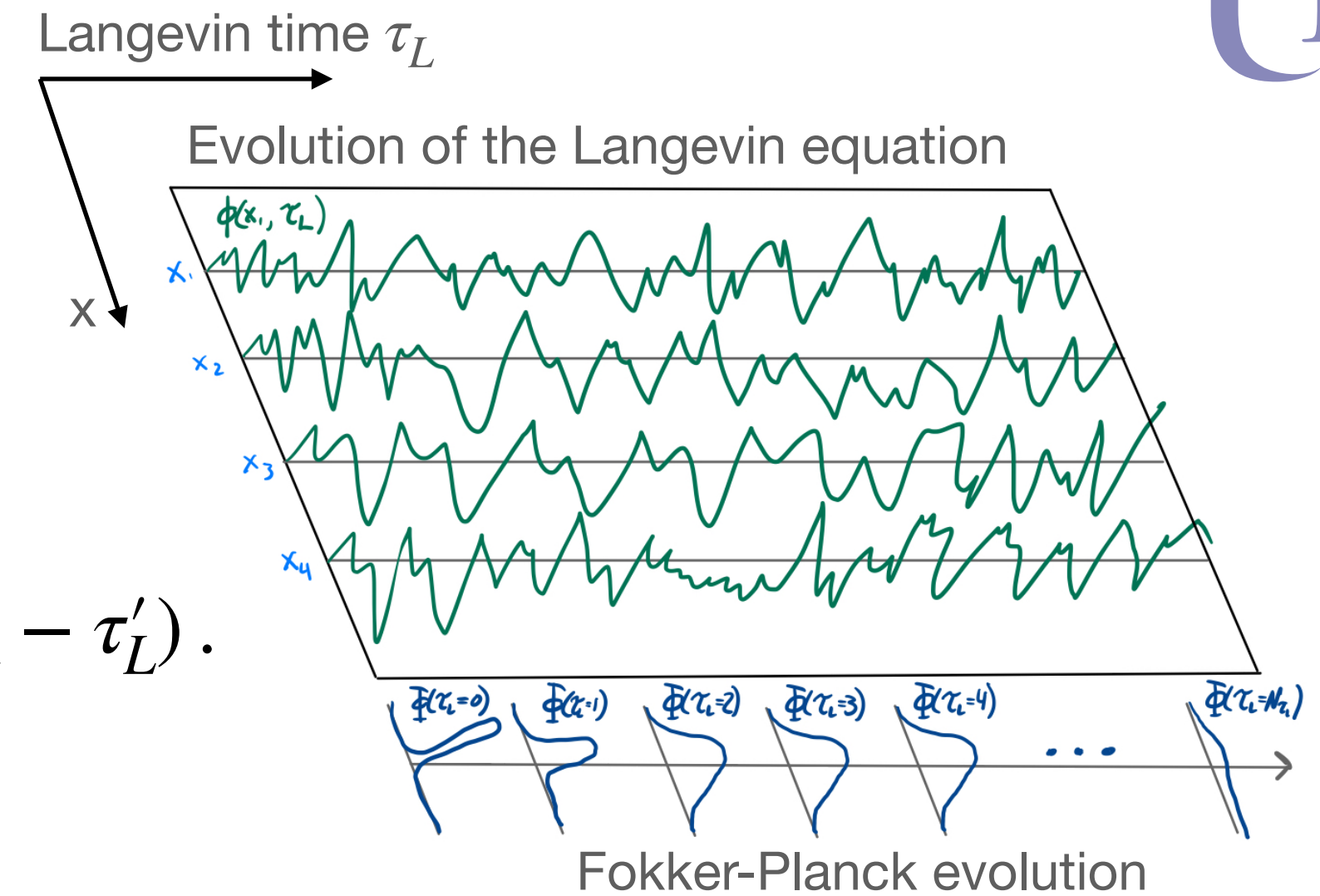
$$\frac{d\phi}{d\tau_L} = -\frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta\phi(x)} + \eta(x, \tau_L) \quad \text{with}$$

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

- Fokker-Planck equation (Real)

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

- Equilibrium distribution of FP $\rightarrow e^{-S[\phi]}$



$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \lim_{\tau_L \rightarrow \infty} \int D\phi \Phi(\phi, \tau_L) \mathcal{O}(\phi) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^T d\tau_L \mathcal{O}(\phi(\tau_L))$$

Fokker-Planck
Langevin

Real-time complex Langevin

- Complexifying fields: $\phi \rightarrow \phi^R + i\phi^I$
- Scales linear with size of problem

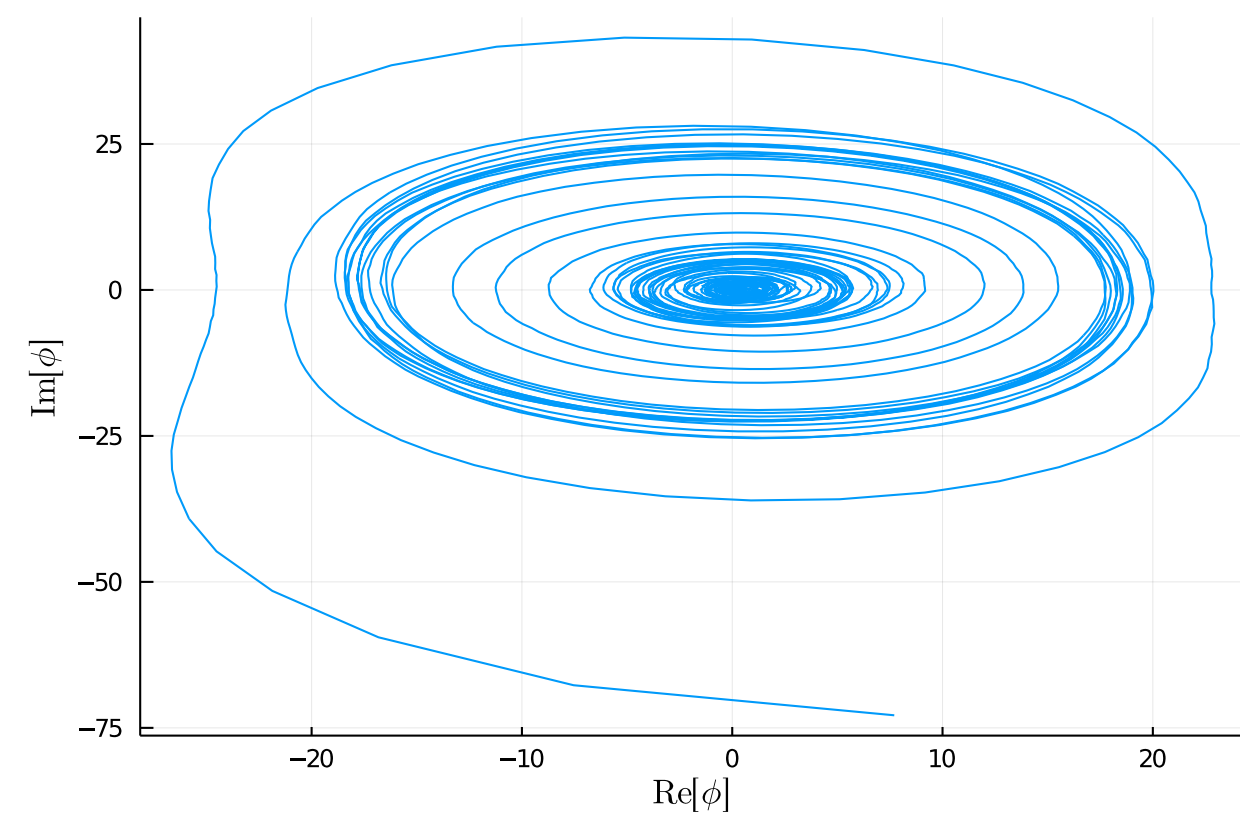
Complex Langevin equation

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Stable solver

Get control of the numerics

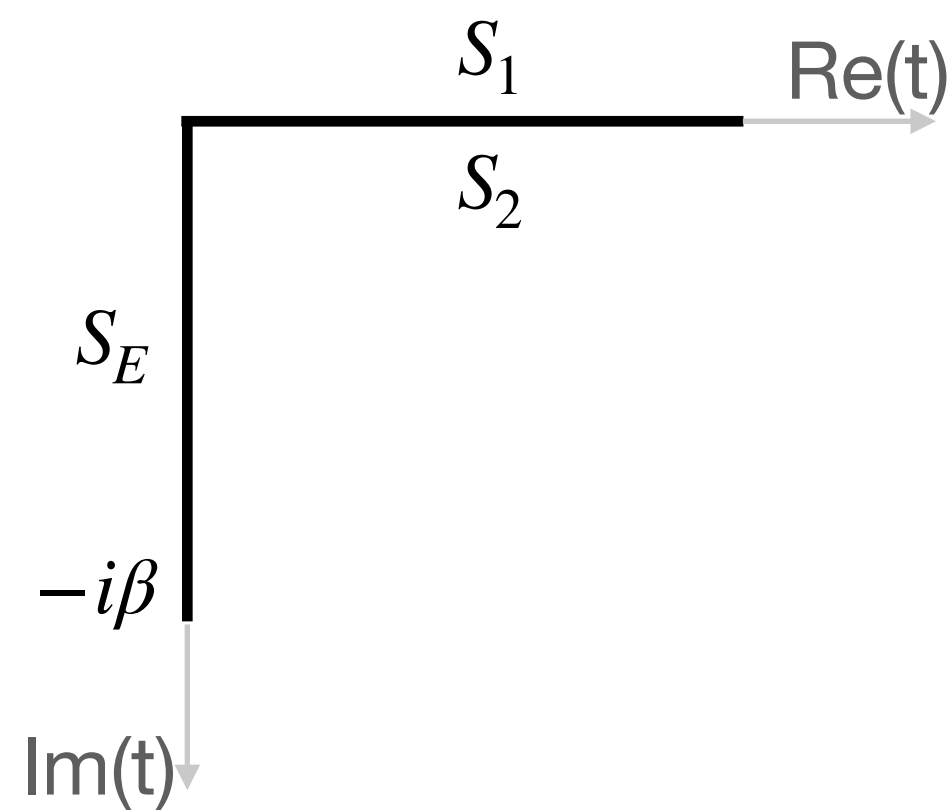
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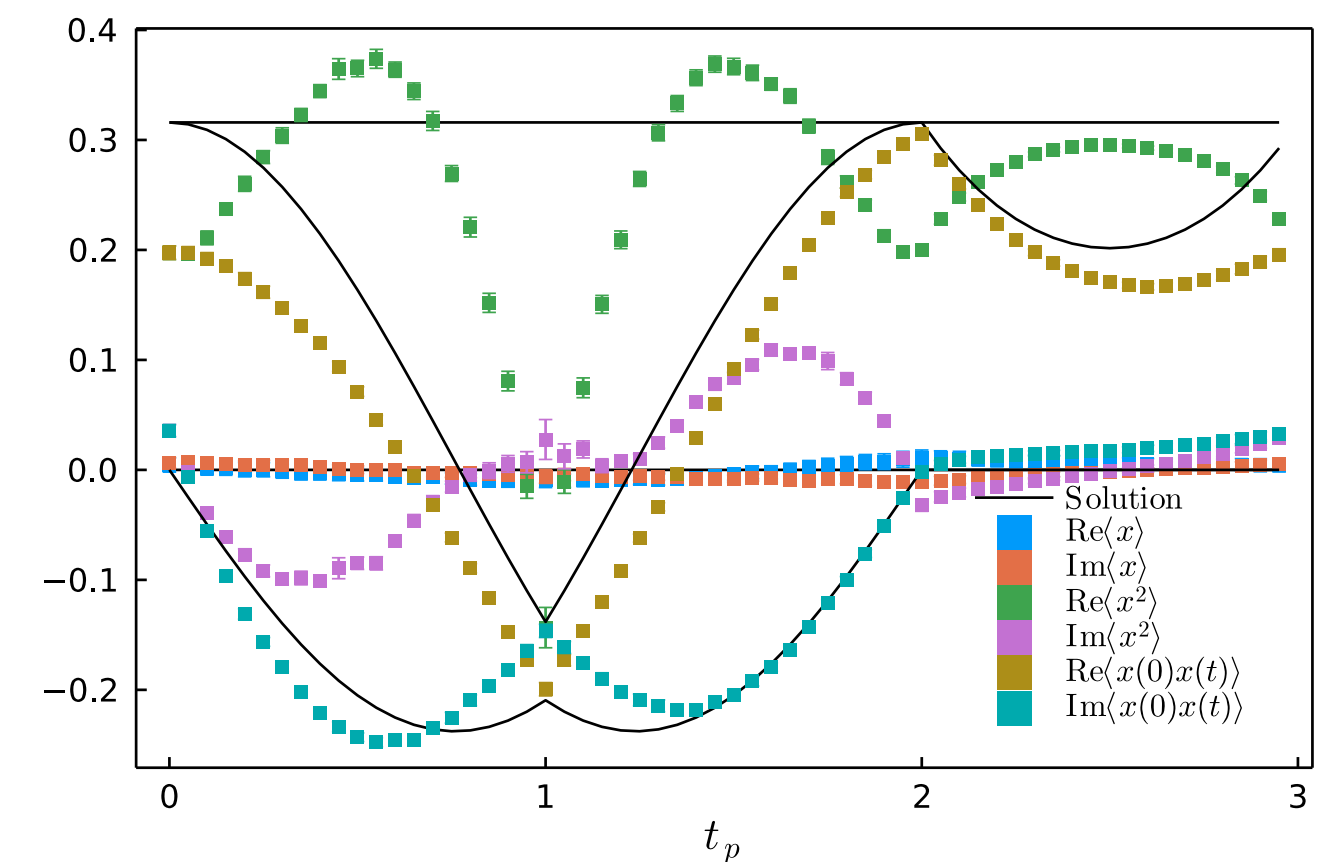
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Convergence problem

Understand convergence problem of the complex Langevin



Real-time complex Langevin: Benchmark problem

- Strongly coupled quantum anharmonic oscillator with $m = 1, \lambda = 24, \beta = 1$ [Berges, Borsanyi, Sexty, Stamatescu (2007)]

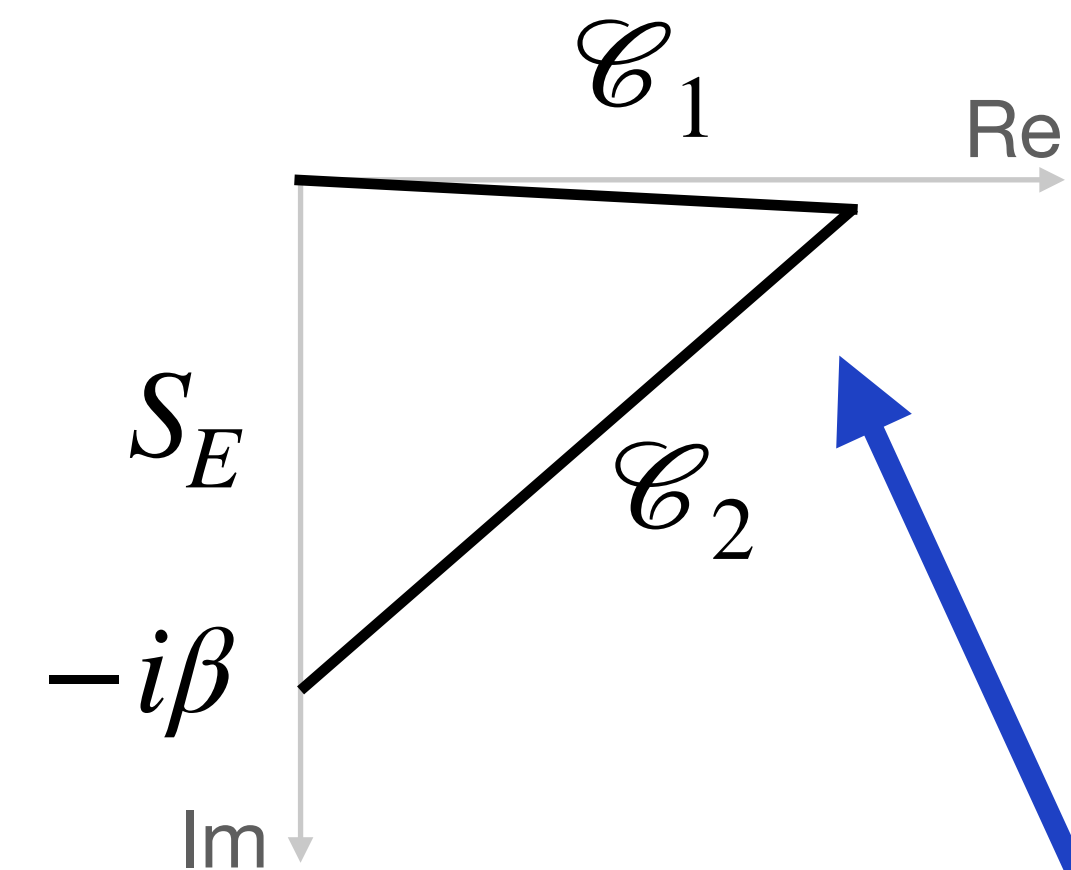
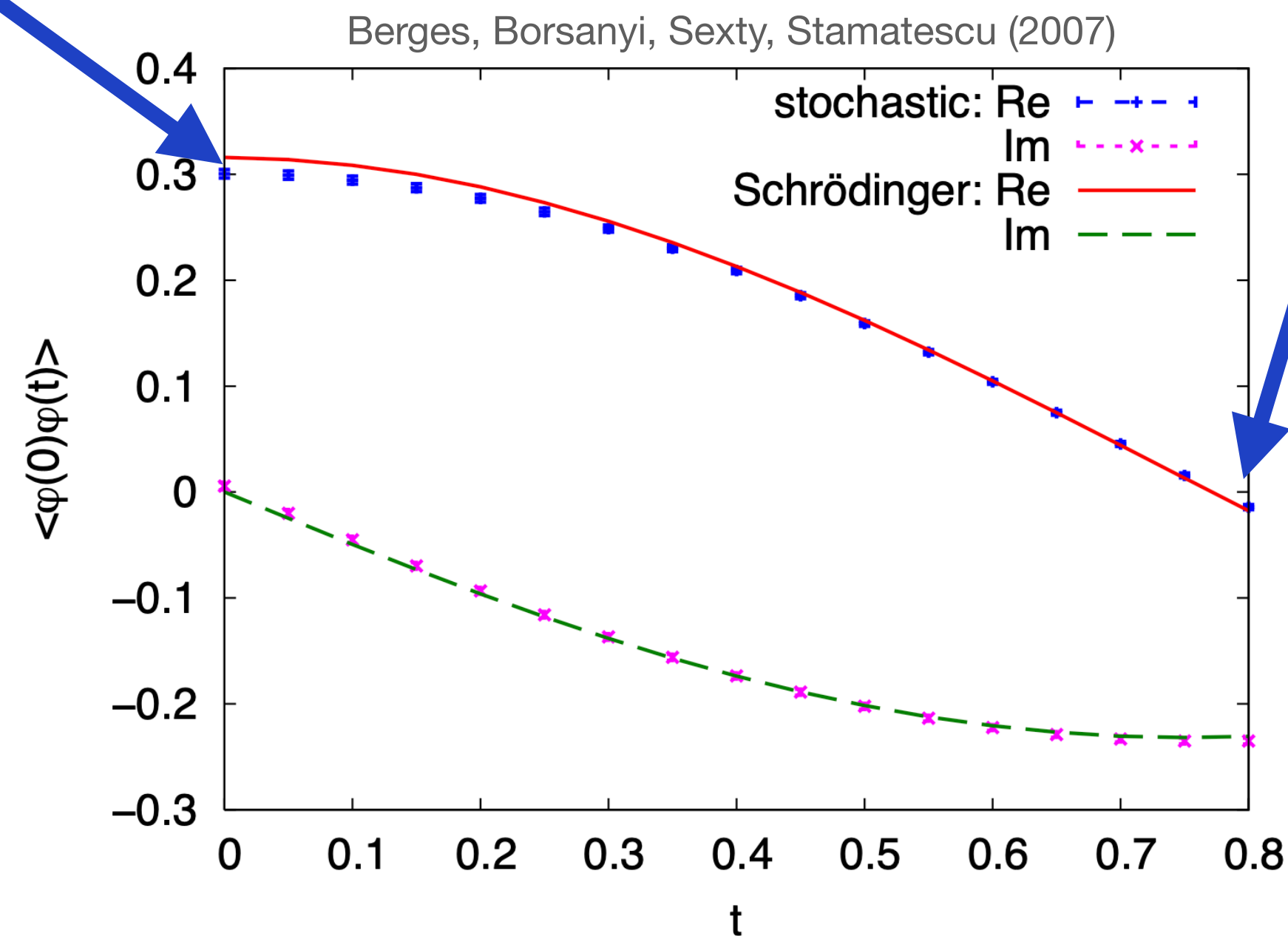
$$S = \int dx_0 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_0} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4 \right\}$$

Deviation due to discretisation or CL?

Remove runaway solutions a-priori

Extending the real-time contour

Remove forward and backward tilt





Stable solver and Regulator

Simple overview of SDE solver

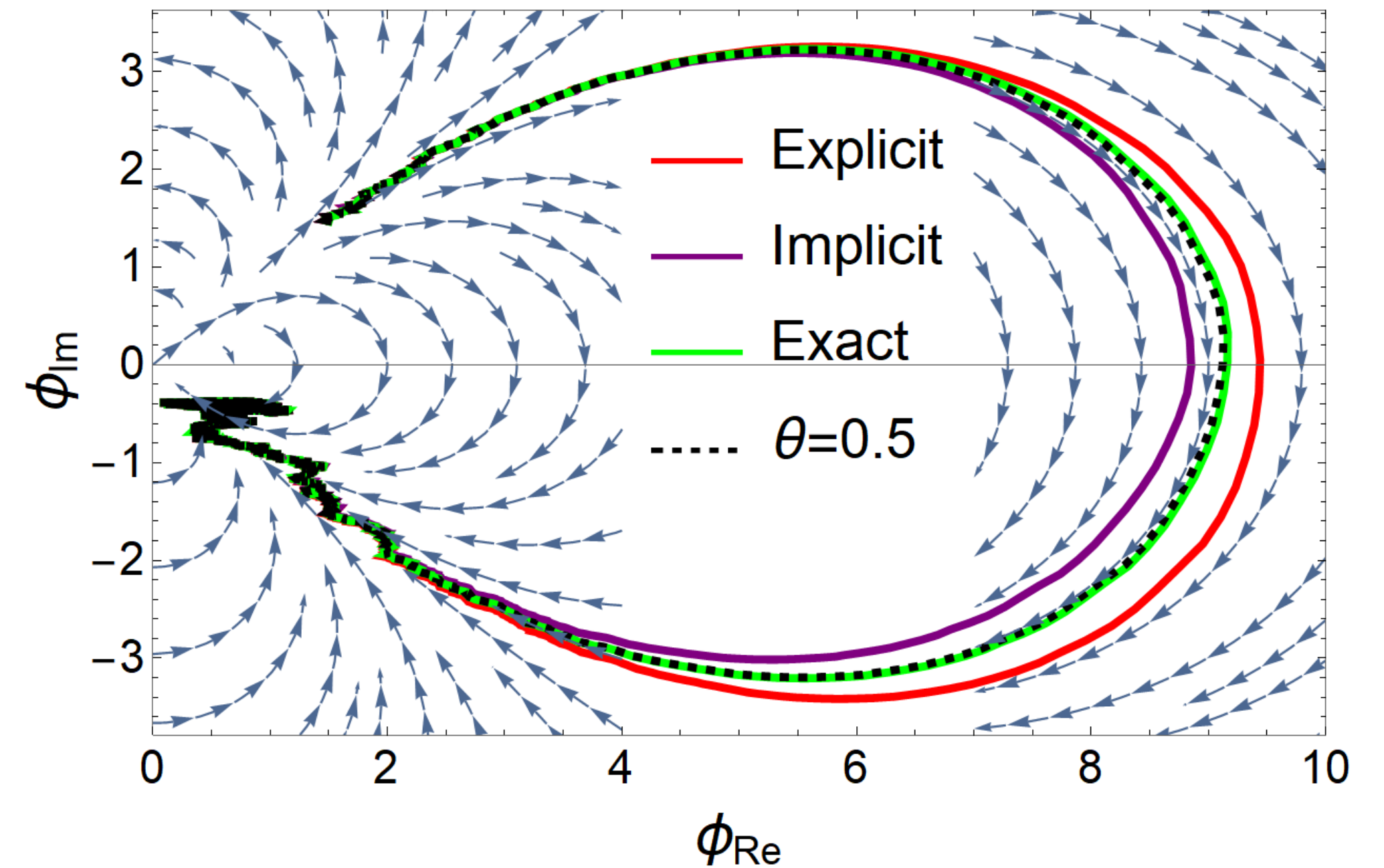
- General Euler-Maruyama Scheme:

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

CLE:

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

- 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

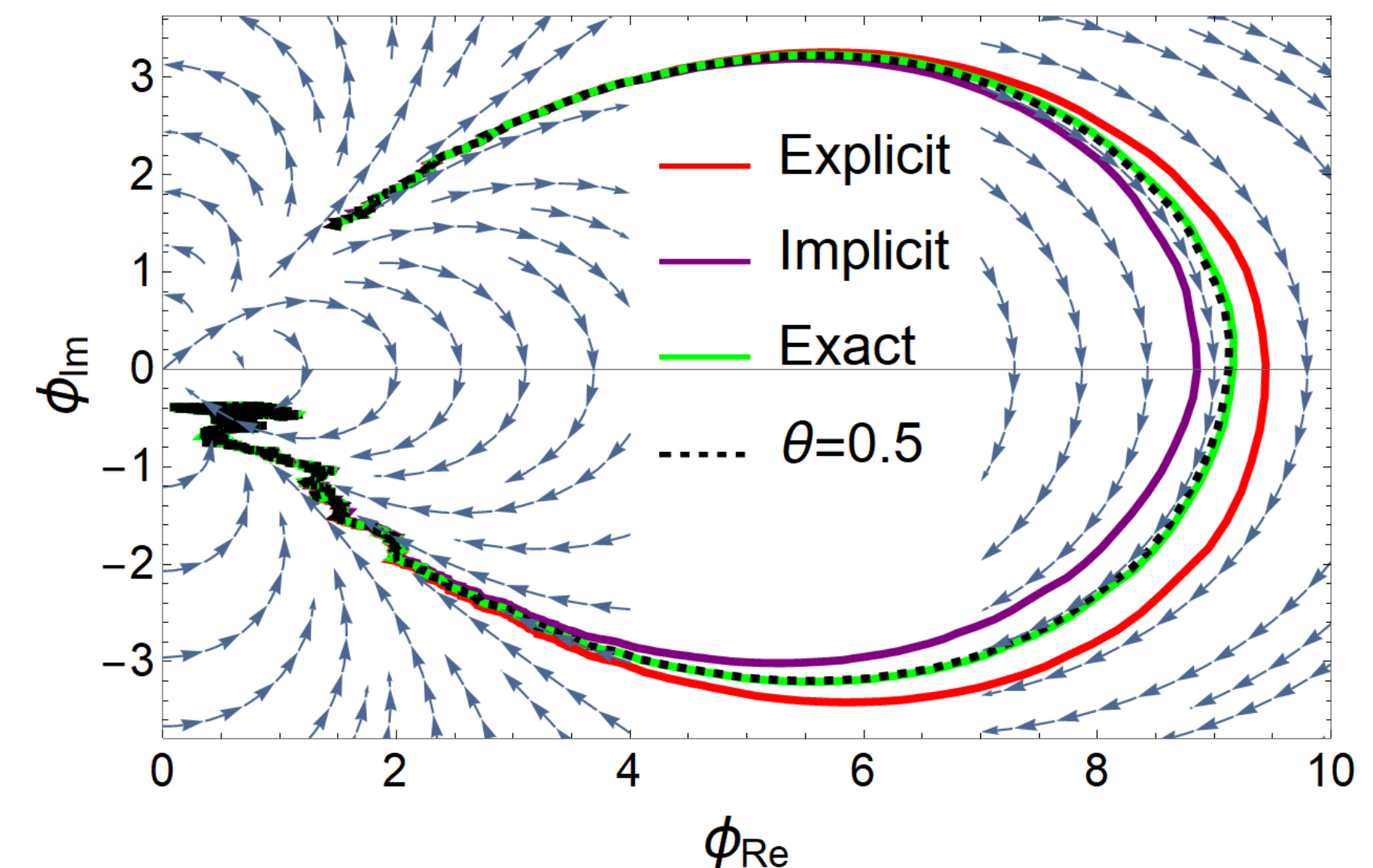
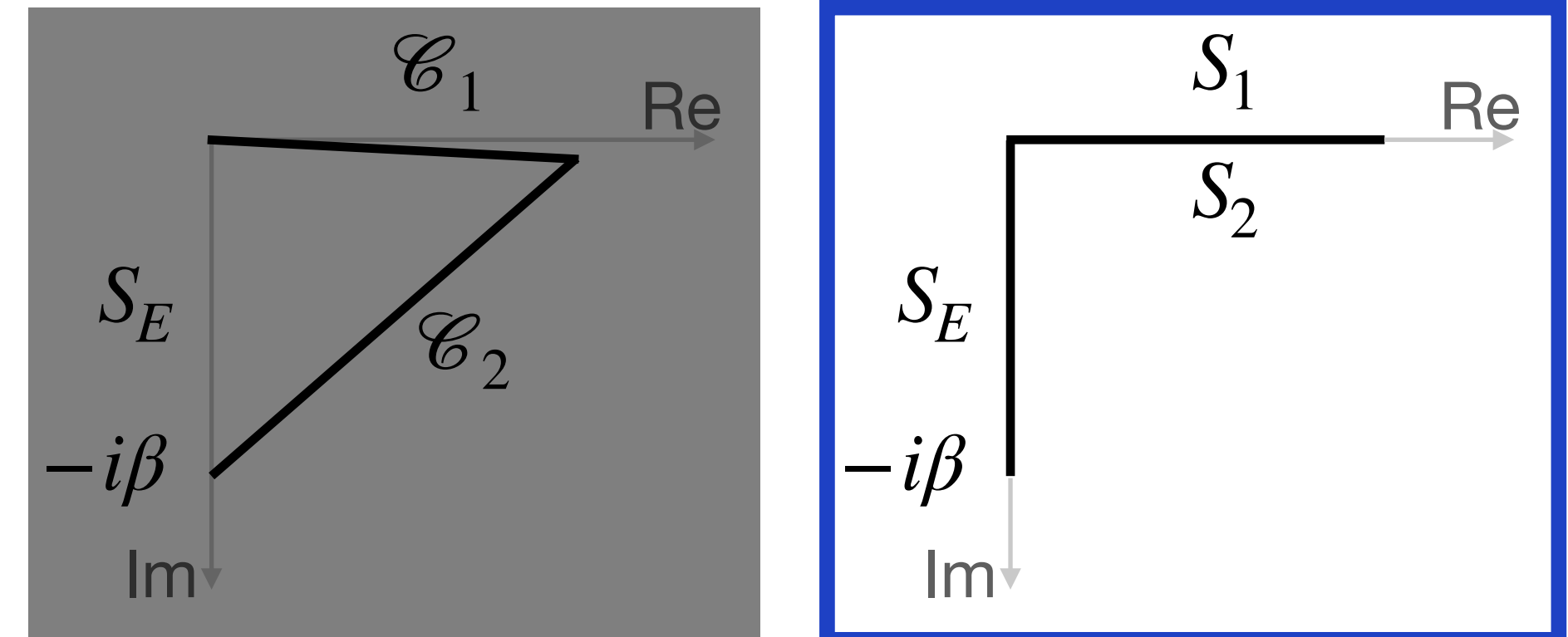


Regularisation of real-time contour

- Old way: Explicit scheme + tilting (Adaptive step-size)
- Implicit solver: No runaway solutions
- Regularisation; Infinitesimal damping term:
 $\bar{S} = S + iR(\phi, \epsilon)$

- $R = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon\phi^2$

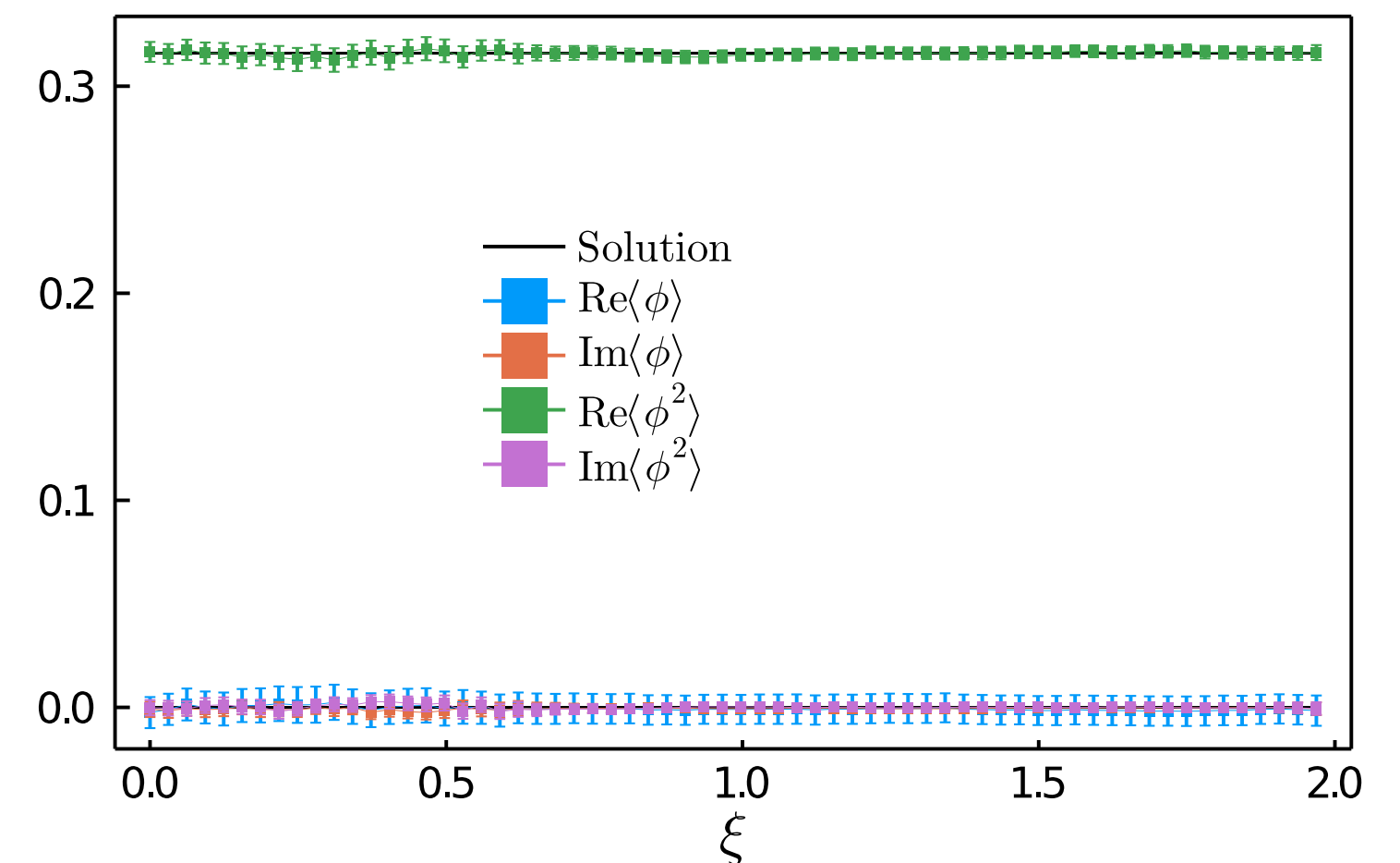
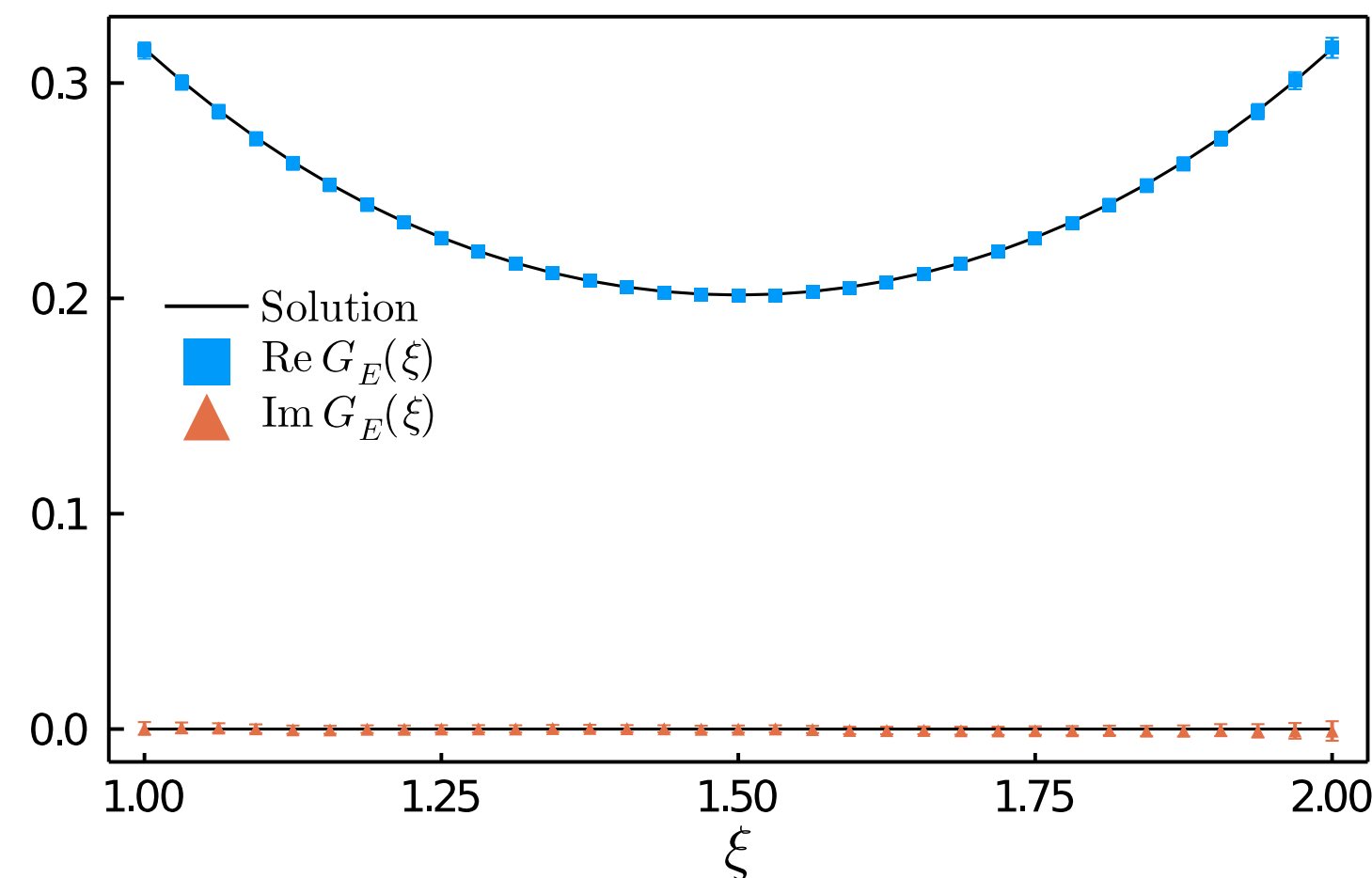
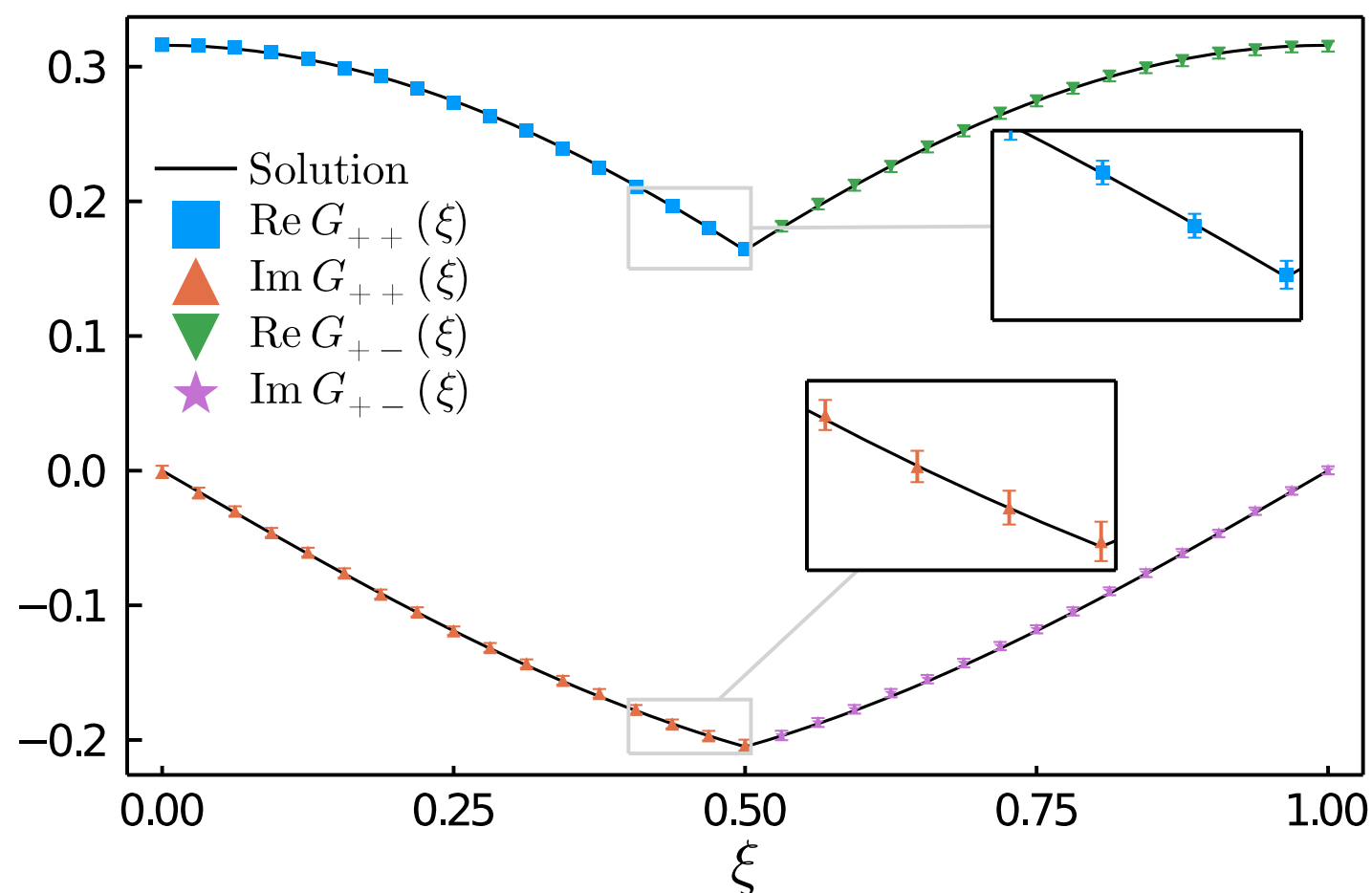
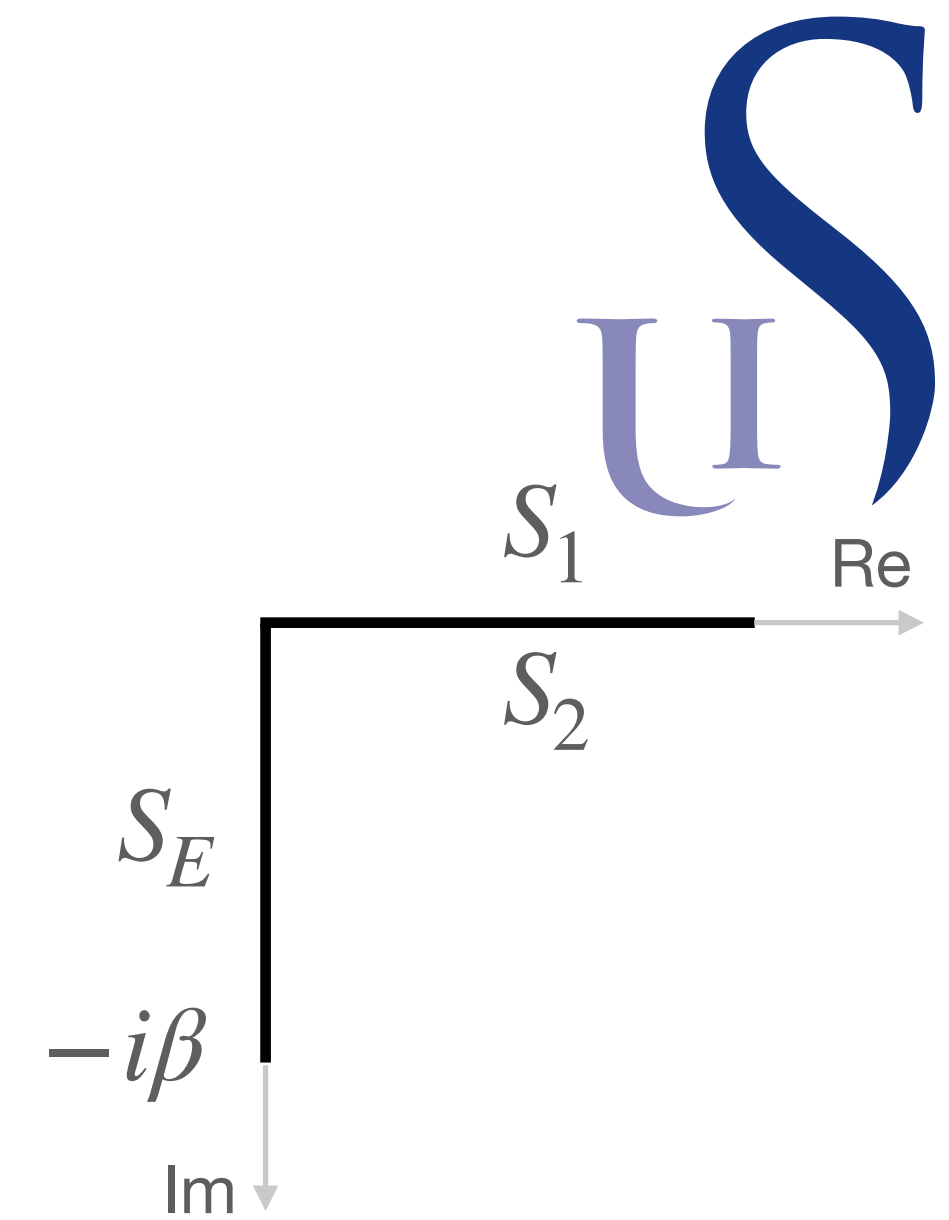
- Tilted contour
- Implicit scheme



Dynamics in thermal equilibrium

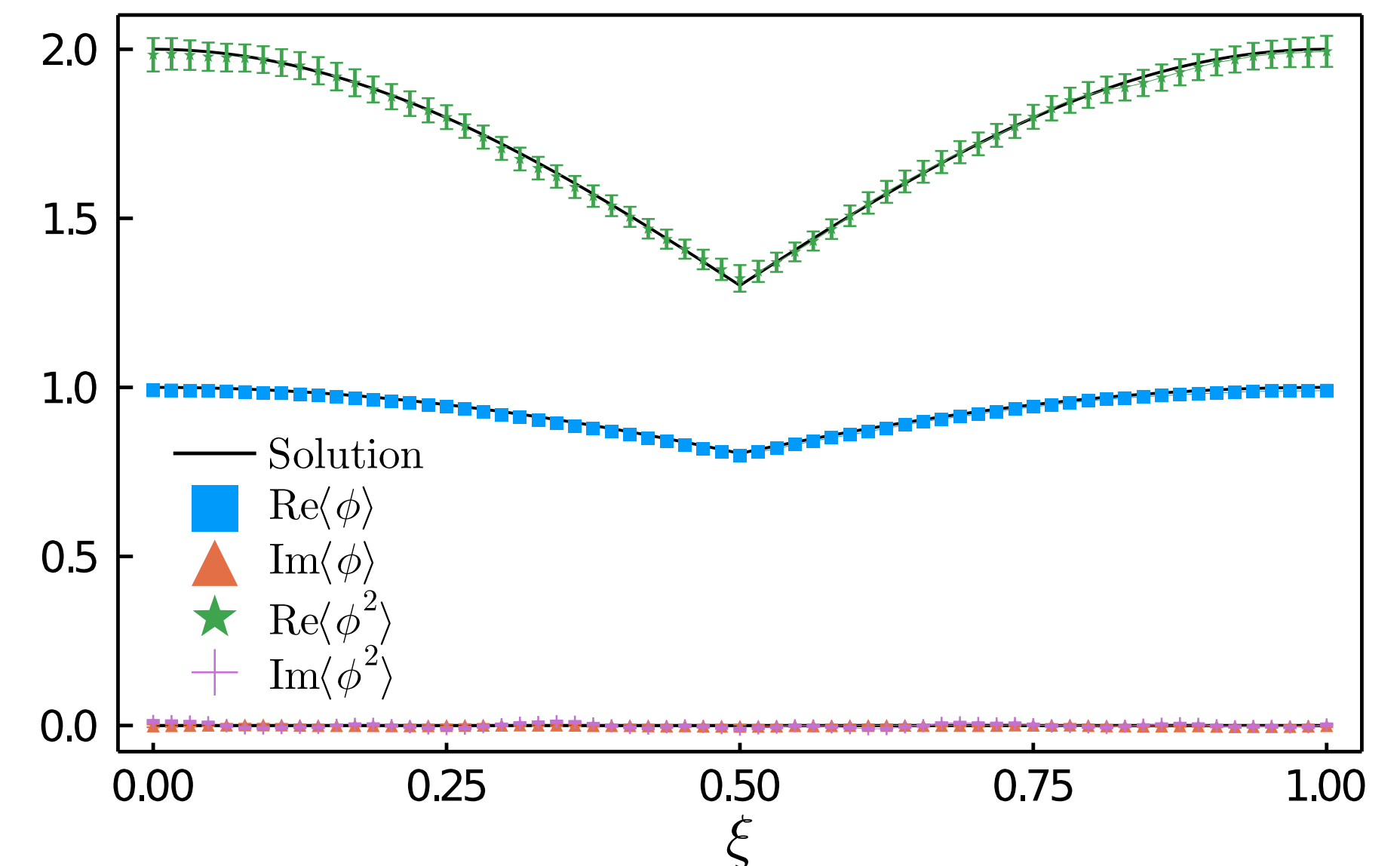
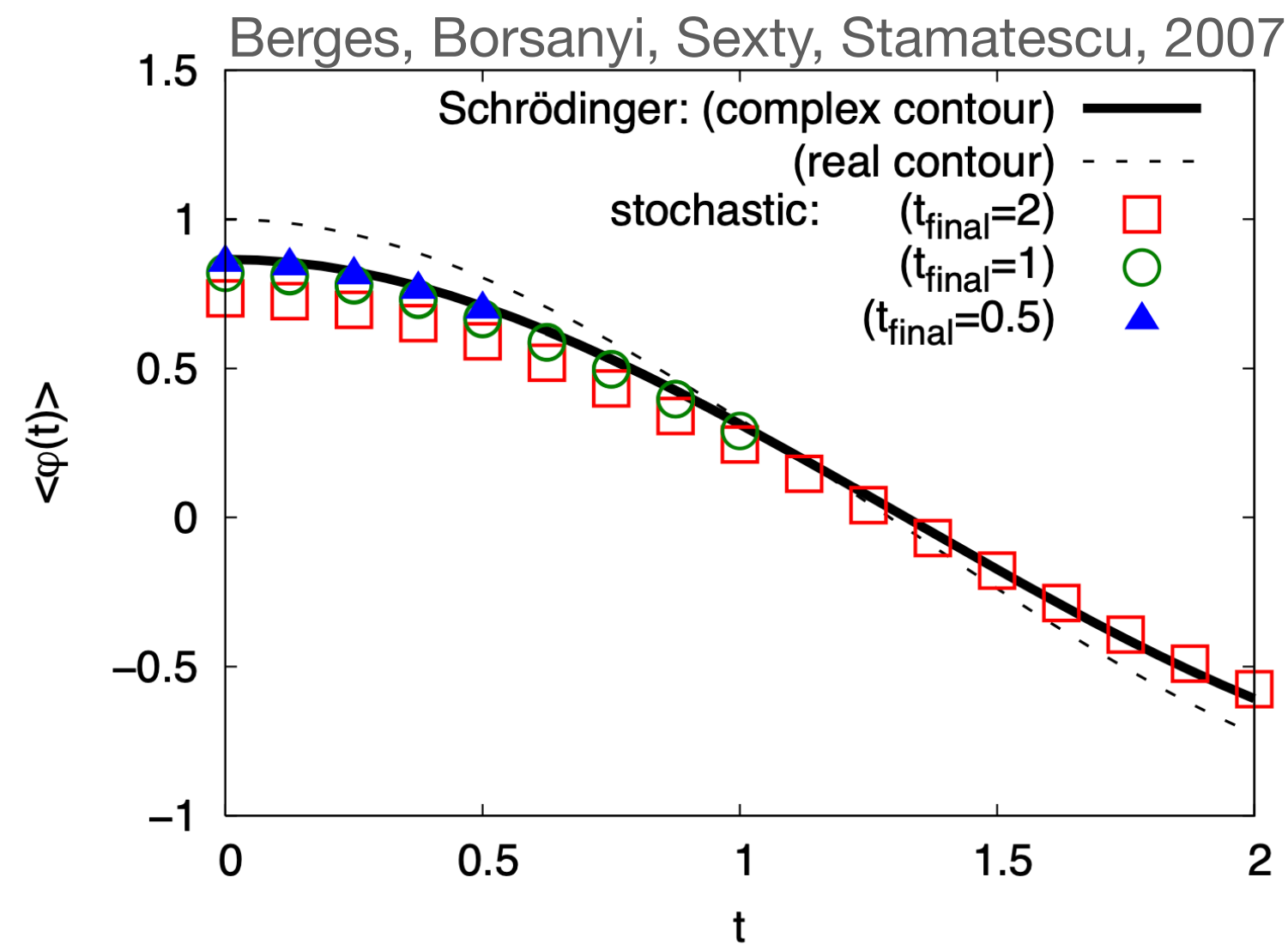
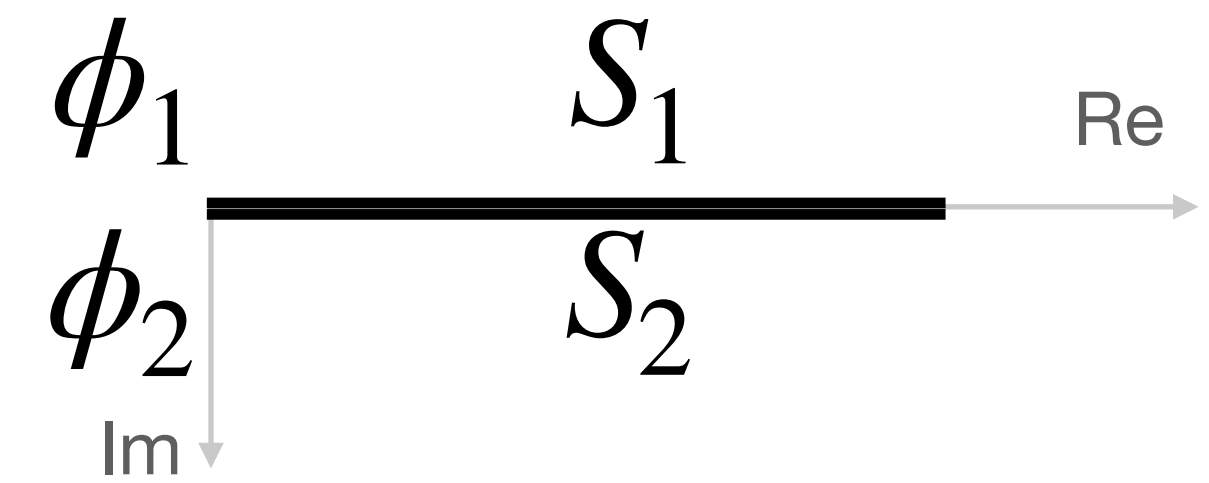
- Strongly coupled quantum anharmonic oscillator with $m = 1$, $\lambda = 24$ (same as in Berges, Borsanyi, Sexty, Stamatescu, 2007)
- Regulator: $\theta = 0.6$, Contour: $\beta = 1.0$, $x_0^{\max} = 0.5$
- $G_{++}(\xi) = \langle \phi(0)\phi(\xi) \rangle - \langle \phi(0) \rangle \langle \phi(\xi) \rangle$ for $\xi \leq 0.5$
- $G_E(\xi) = \langle \phi(0)\phi(\xi) \rangle - \langle \phi(0) \rangle \langle \phi(\xi) \rangle$ for $\xi \geq 1$

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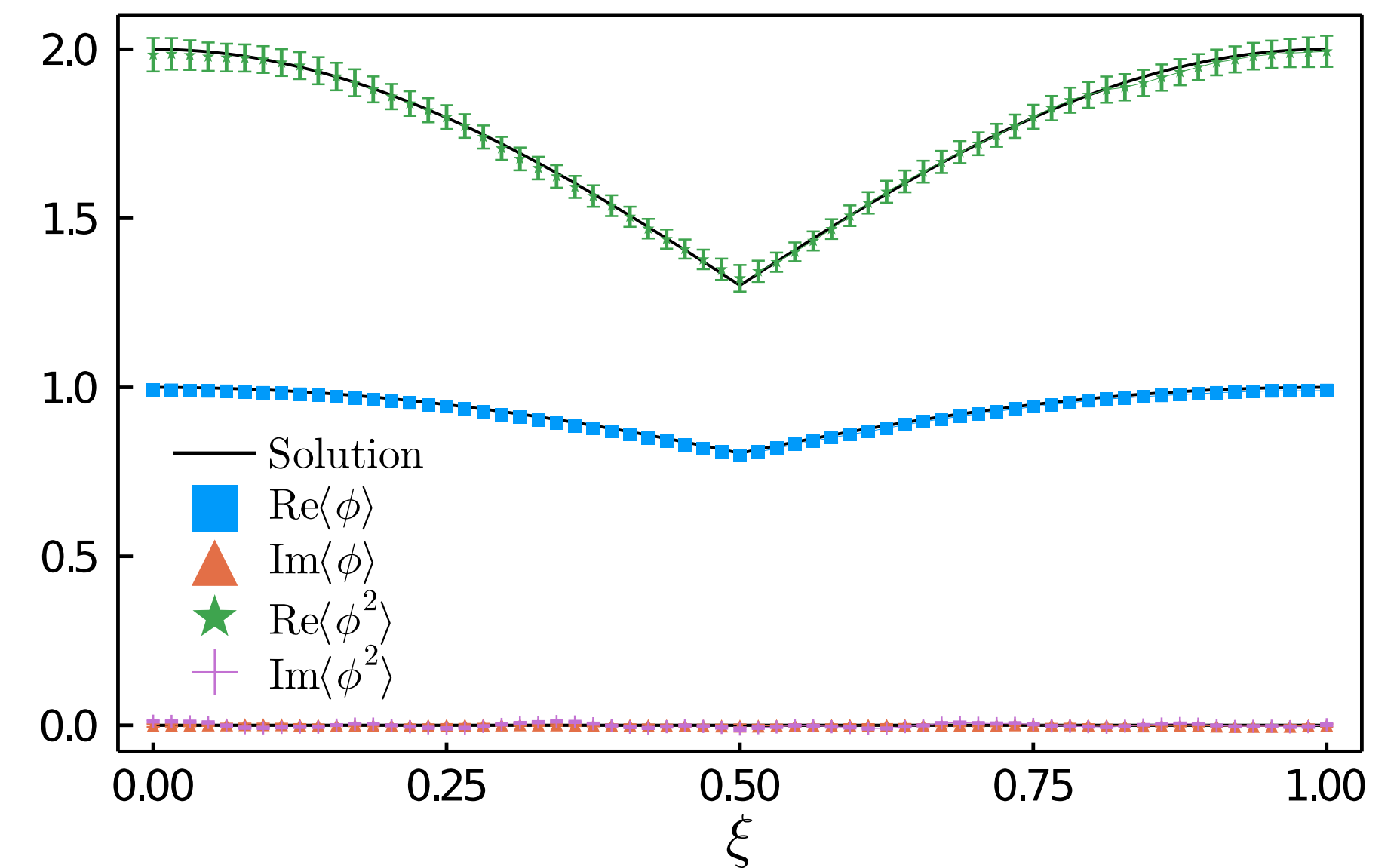
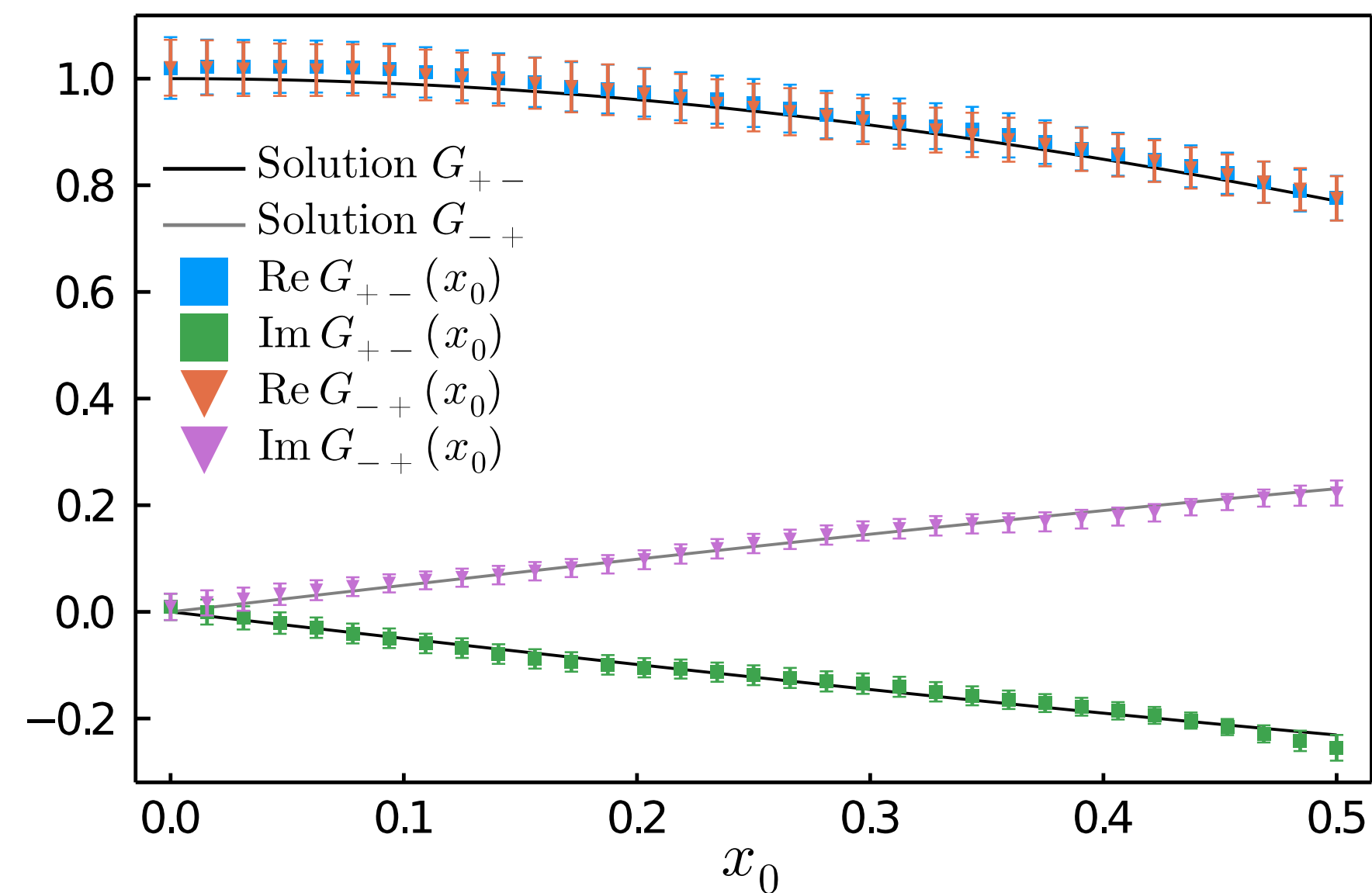
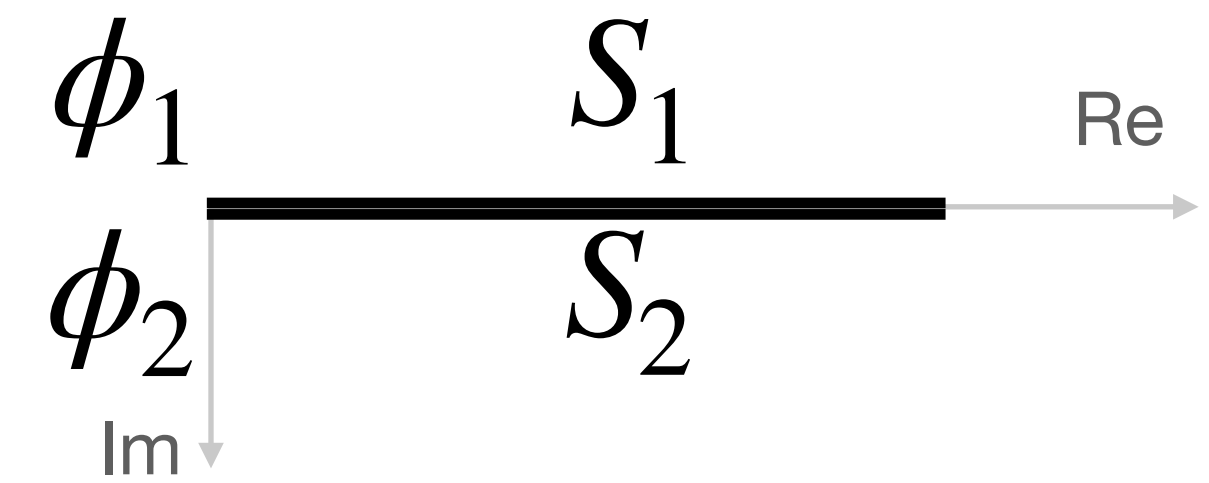
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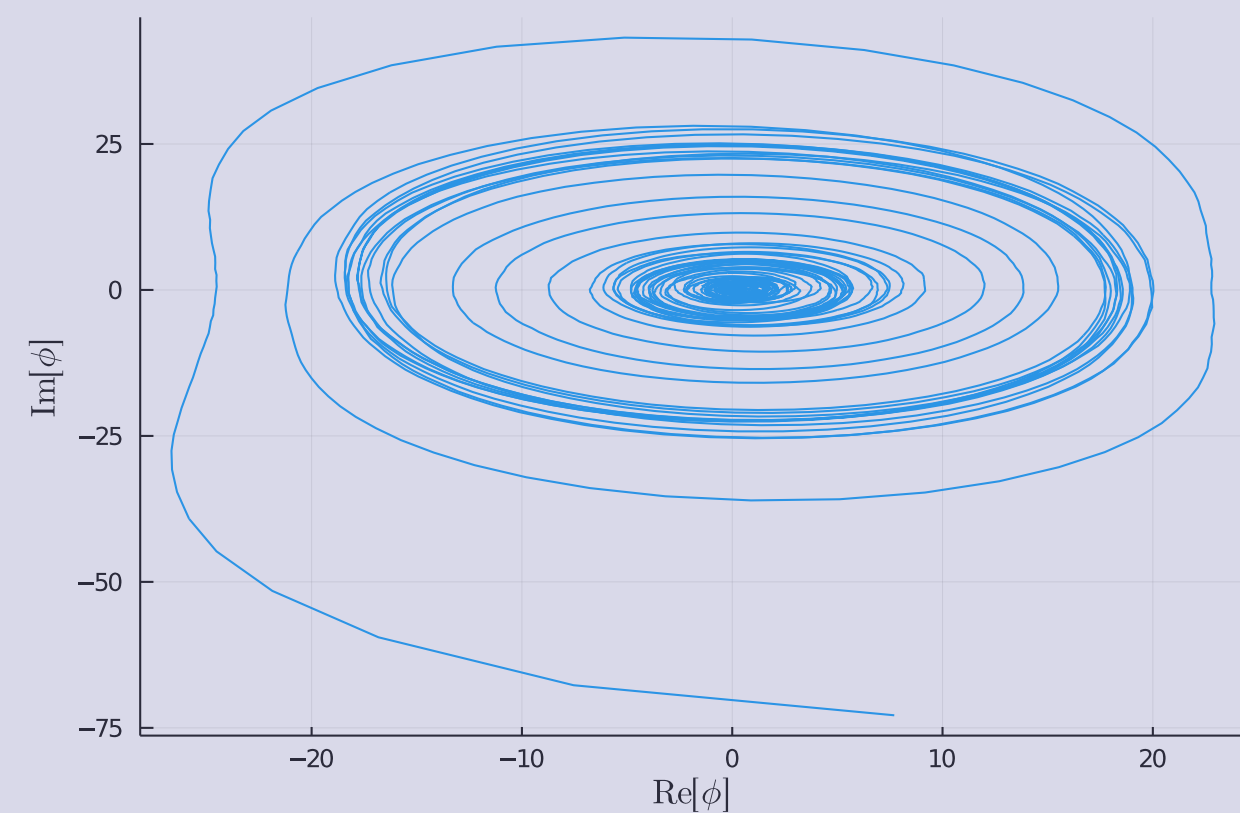
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Numerics now under control

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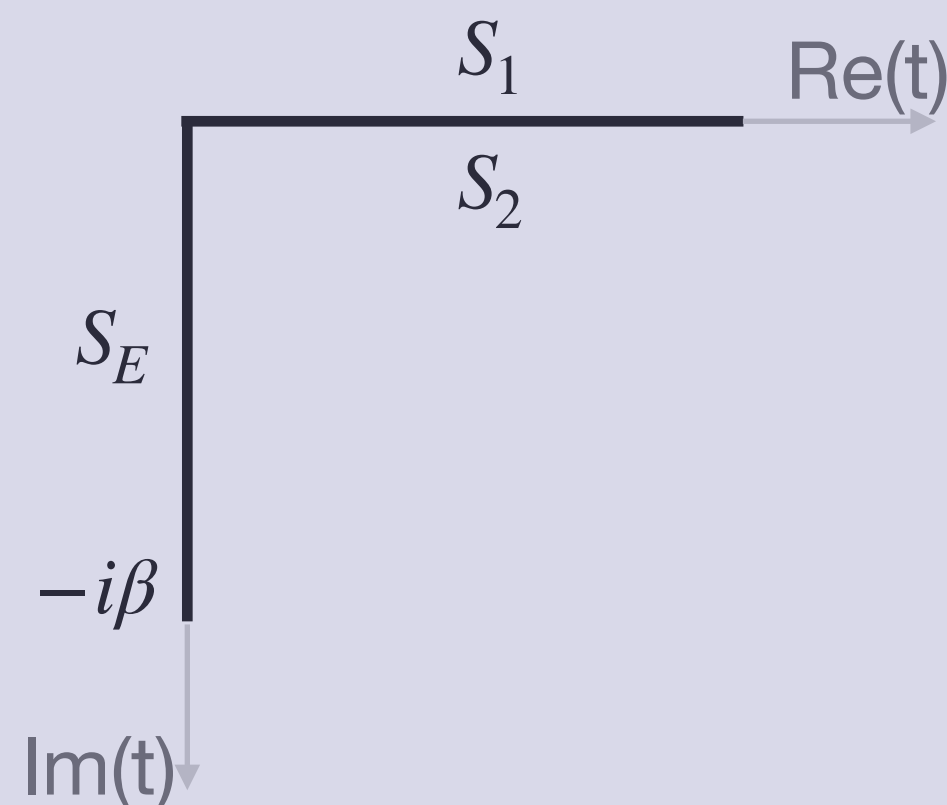
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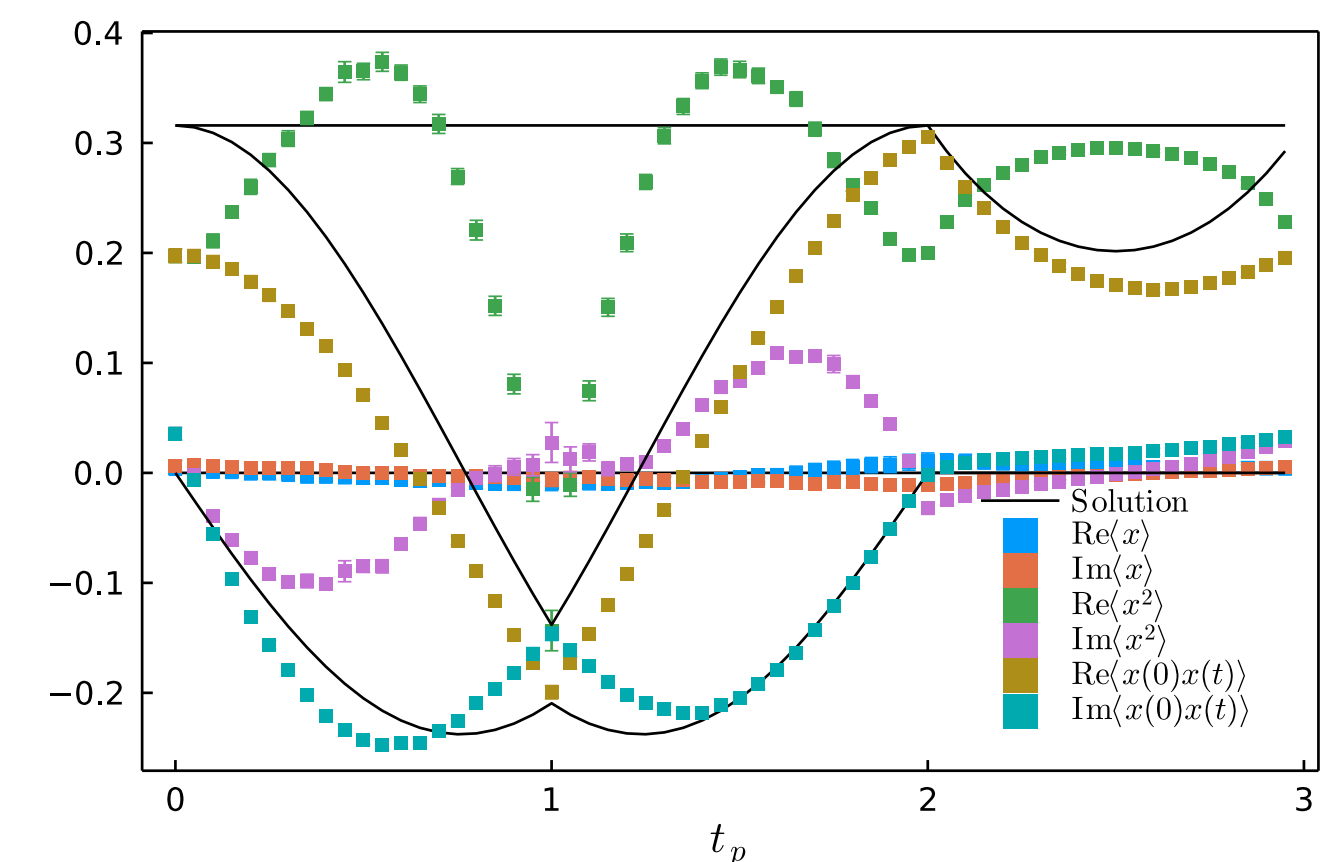
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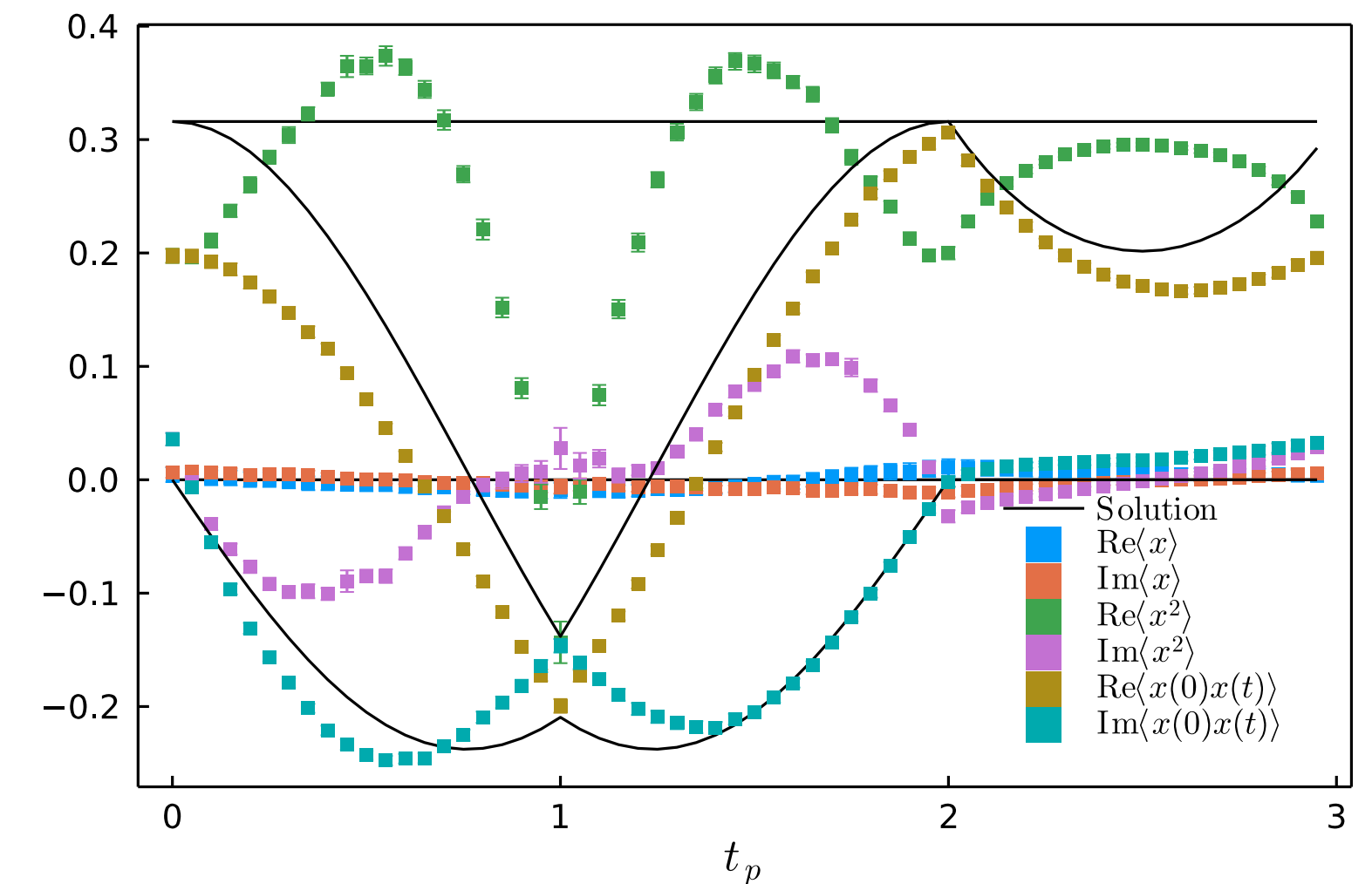


Convergence to the wrong solution problem

Problem of wrong convergence

- Taking $\Delta\tau \rightarrow 0$ (Langevin time-step) not solution
- Eigenvalues of Fokker-Planck equation
 - Fokker-Planck equilibrium distribution not e^{iS}
- Fixing the problem
 - Boundary terms, Gauge Cooling, Dynamical stabilisation
 - Modification to CLE
 - Coordinate Transformations
 - Kernels

$$-D_{x,\nu}^a S[U] \rightarrow -D_{x,\nu}^a S[U] + i\alpha_{DS} M_x^a$$



Kernelled complex Langevin

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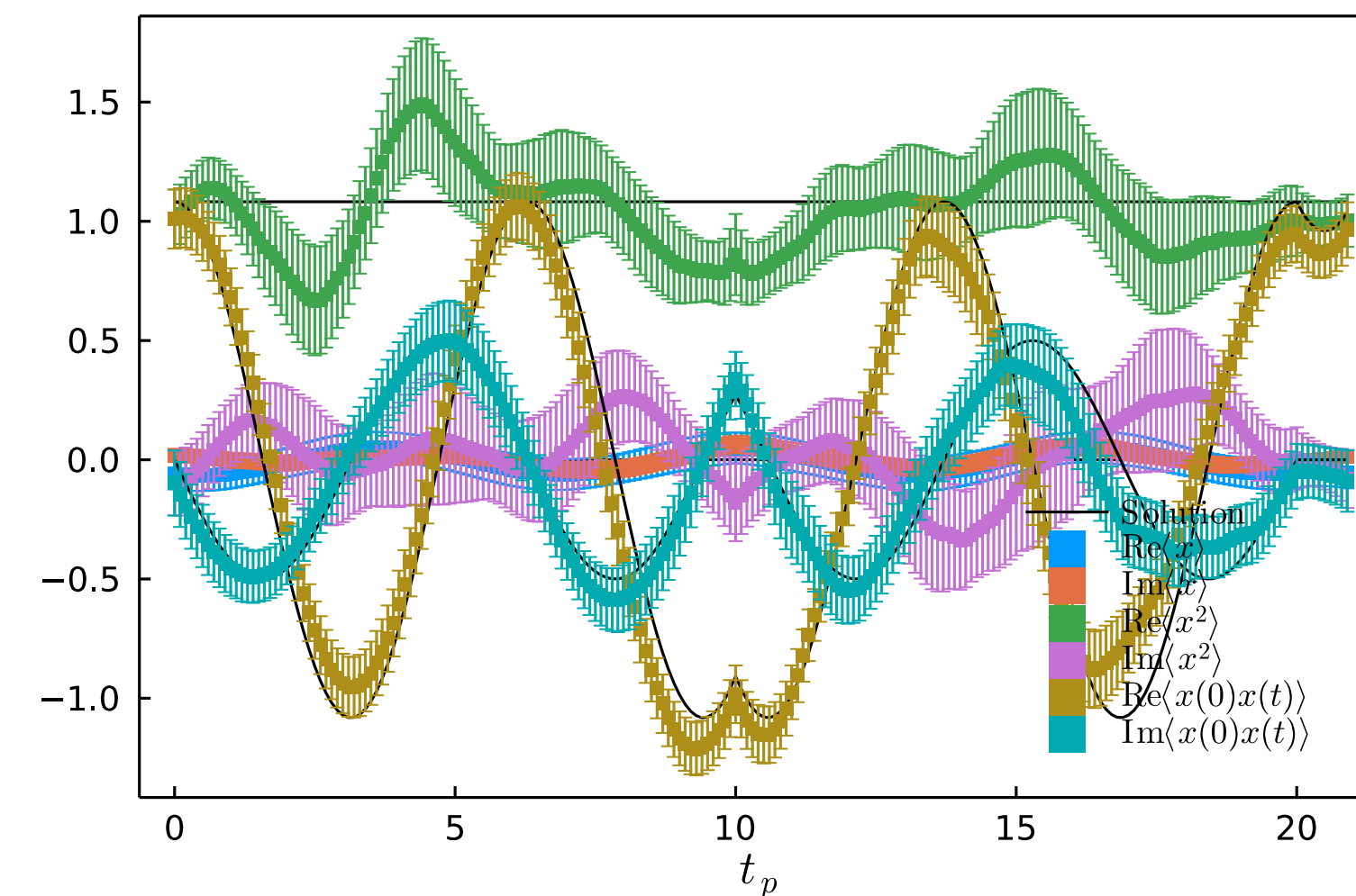
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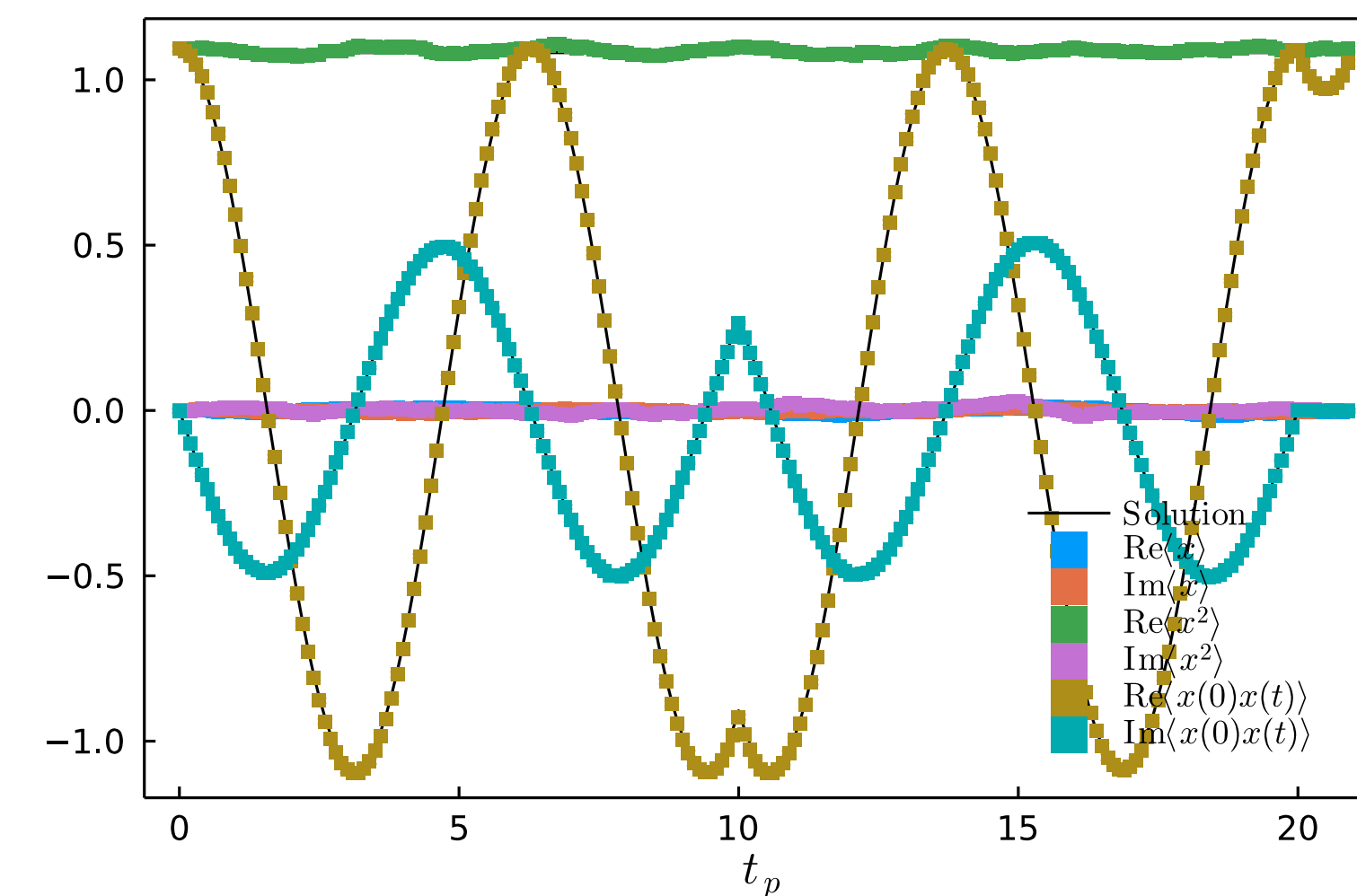
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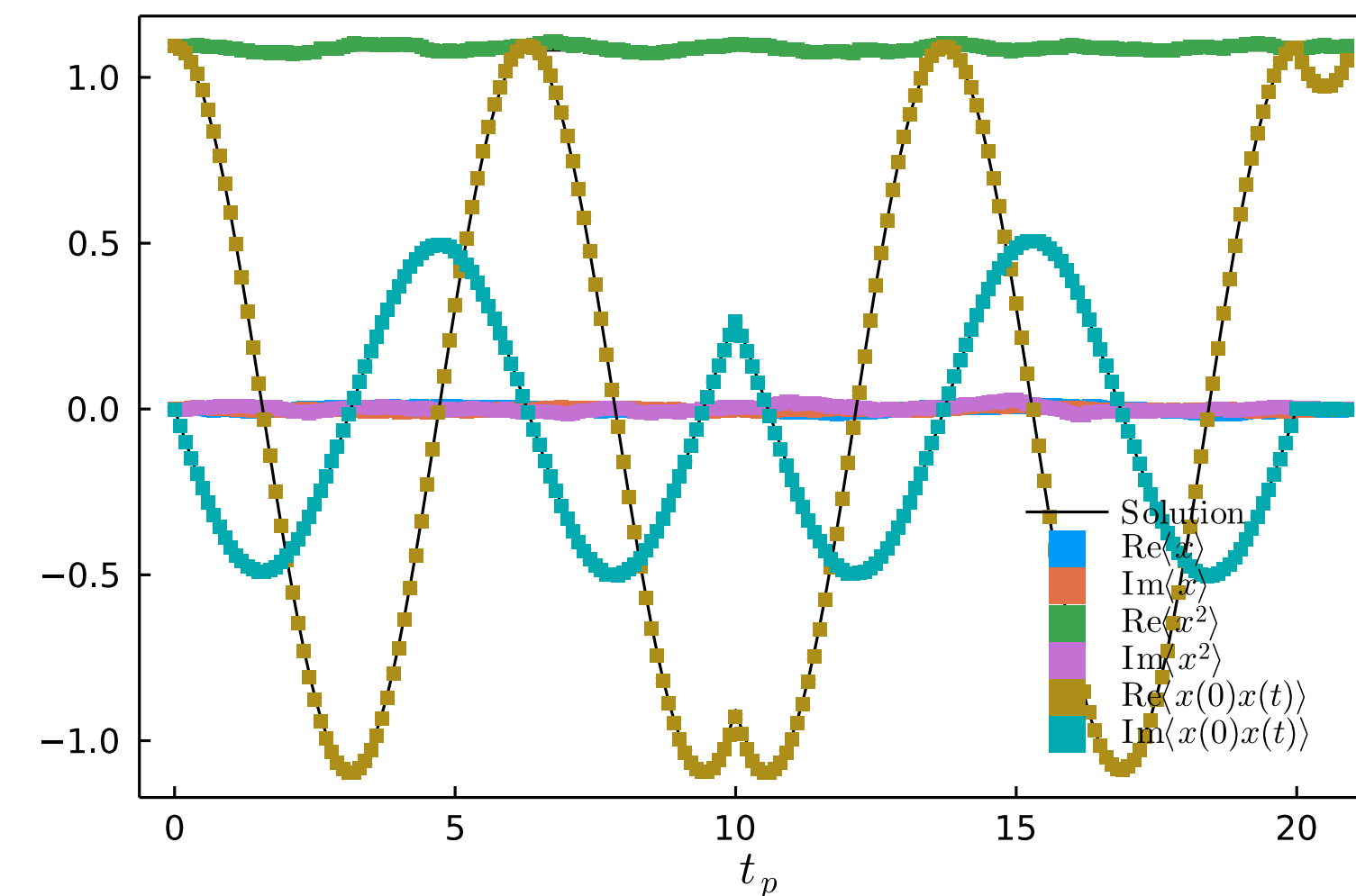
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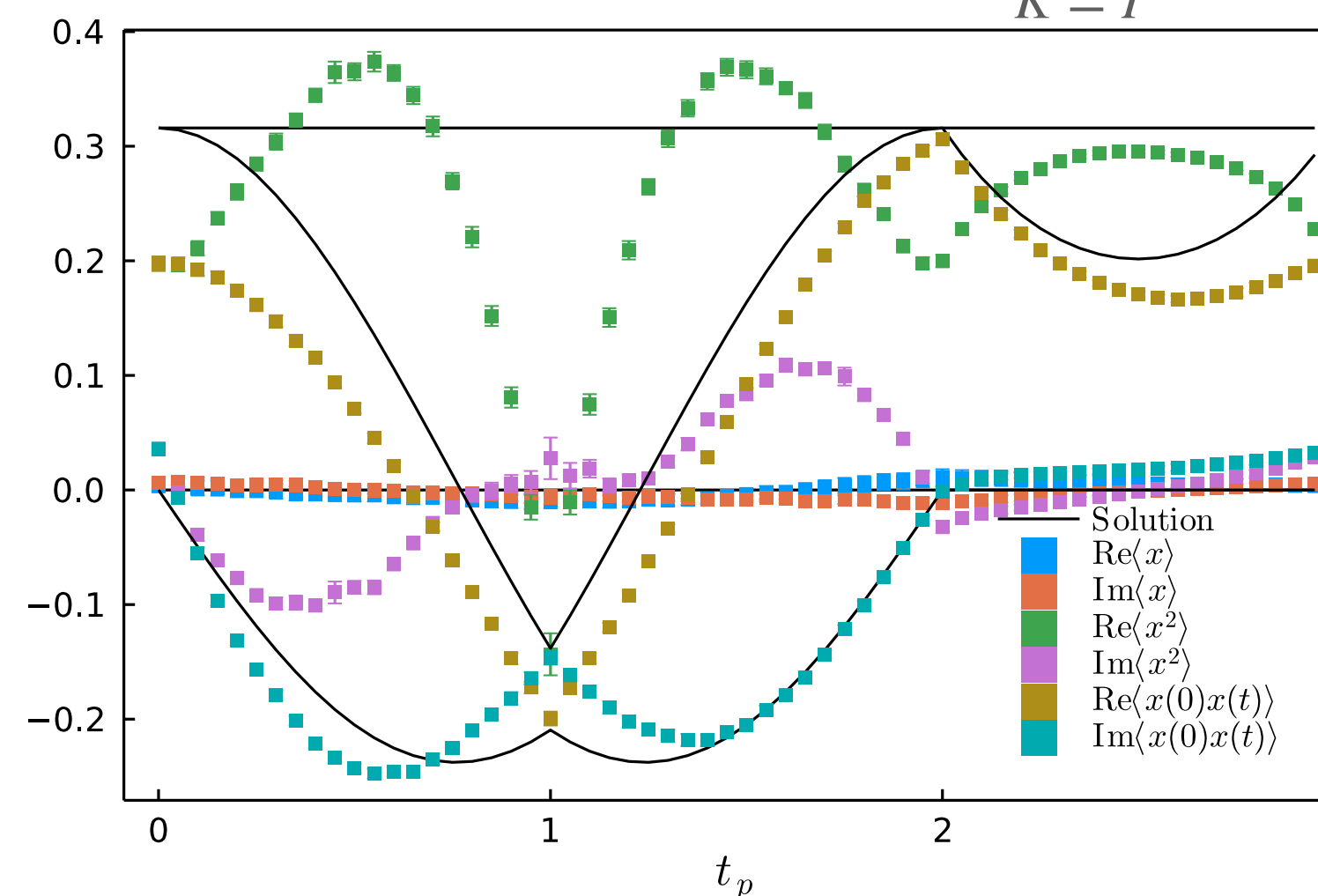
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Interactive theory
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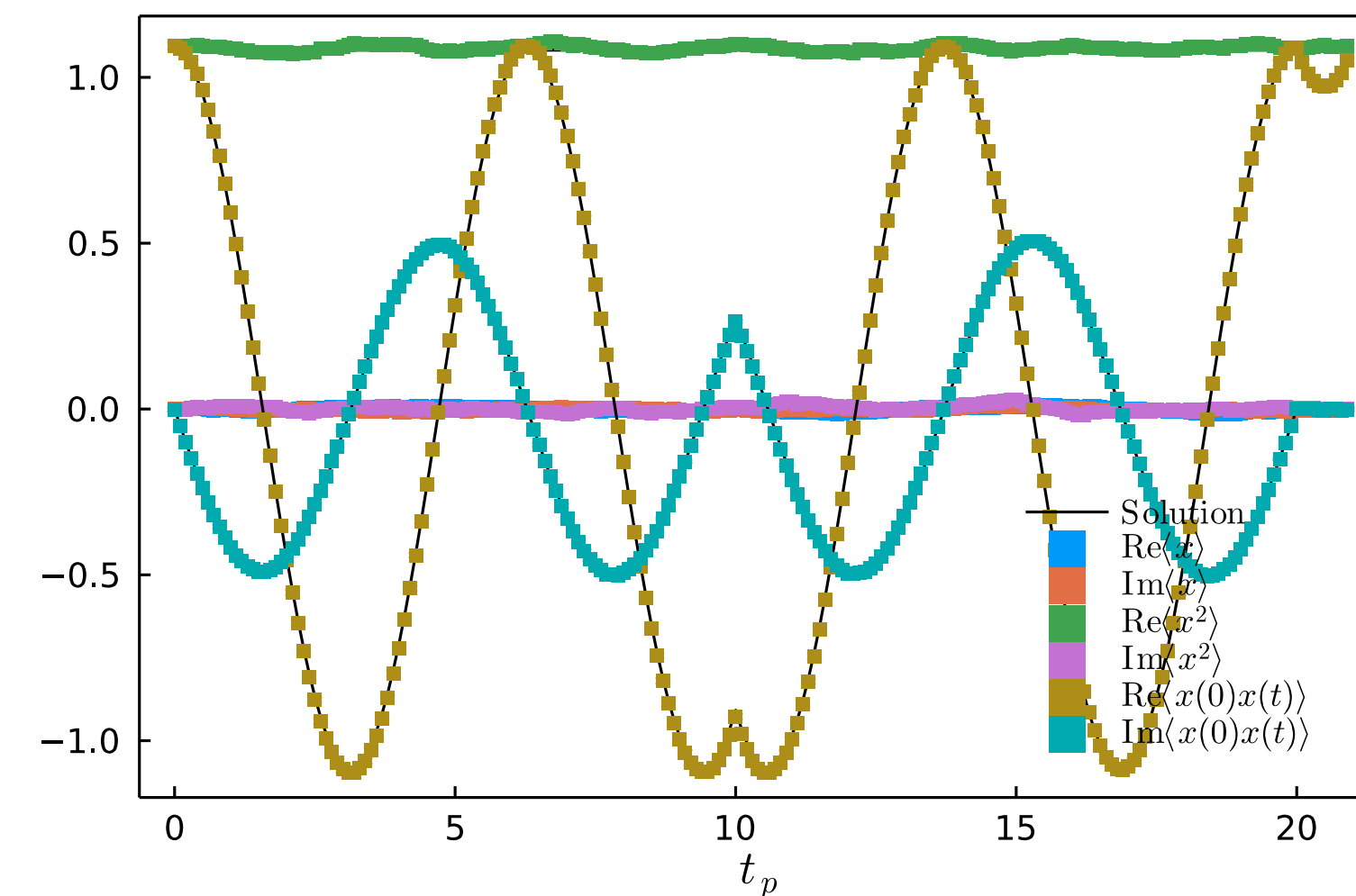
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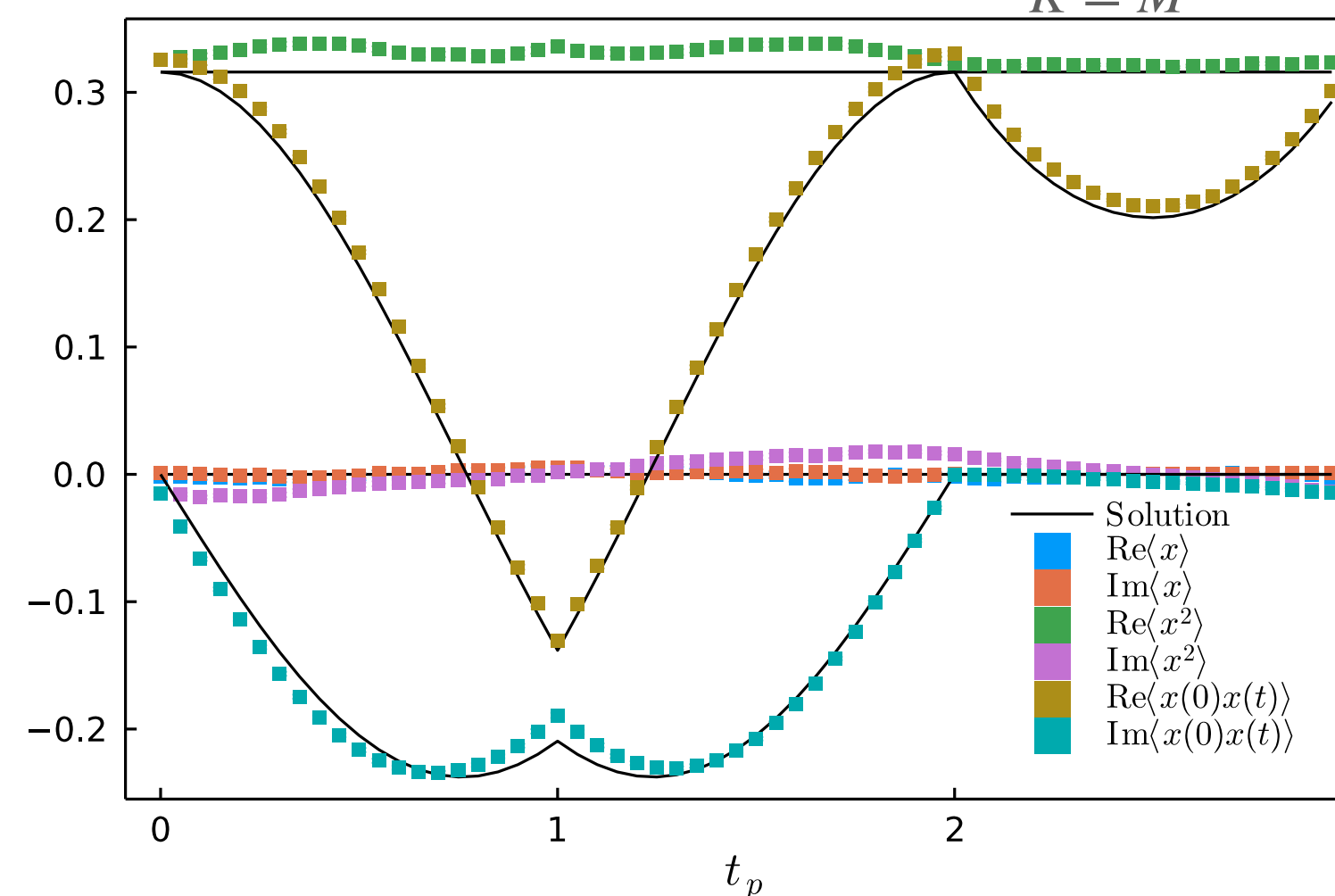
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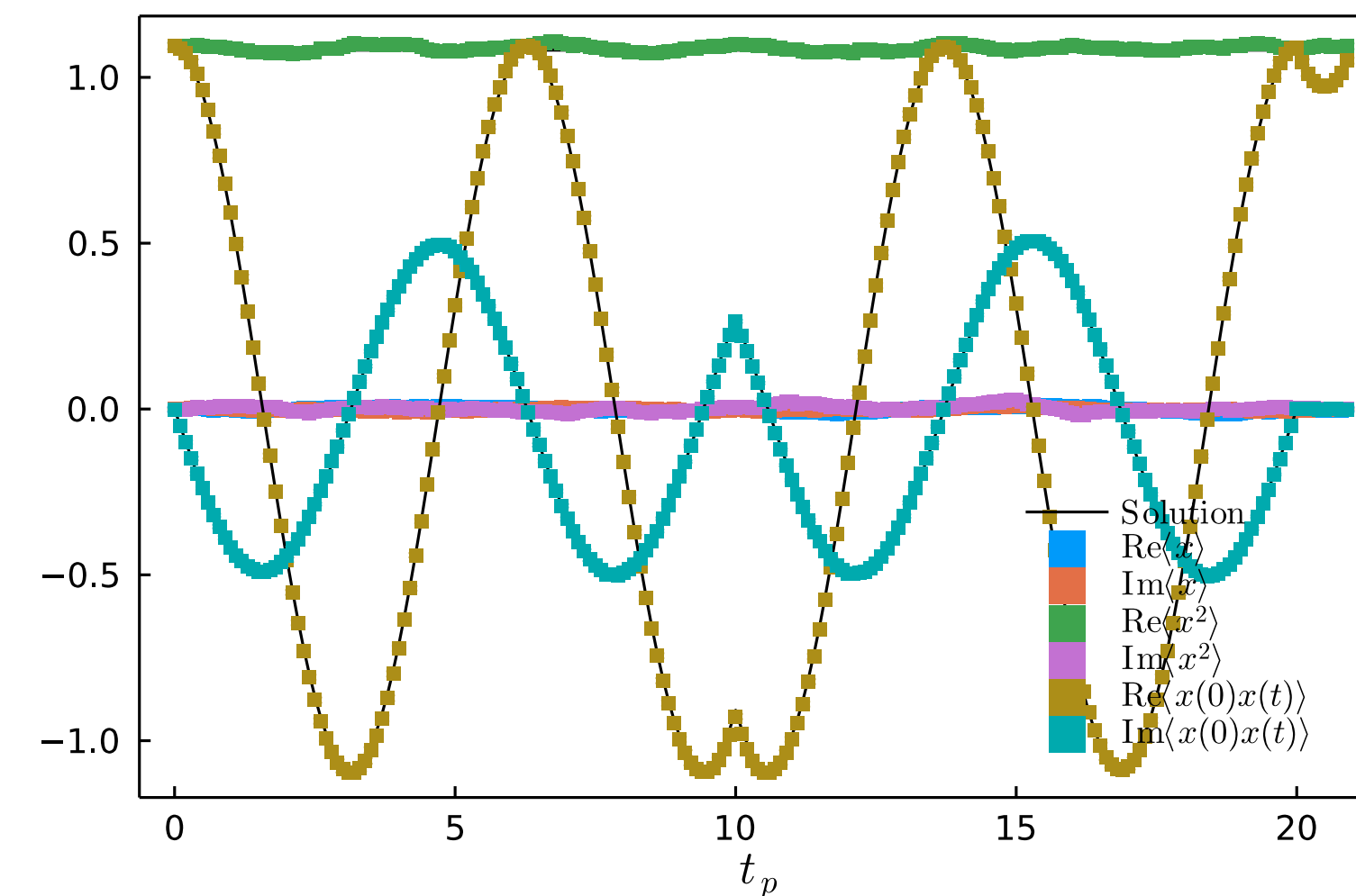
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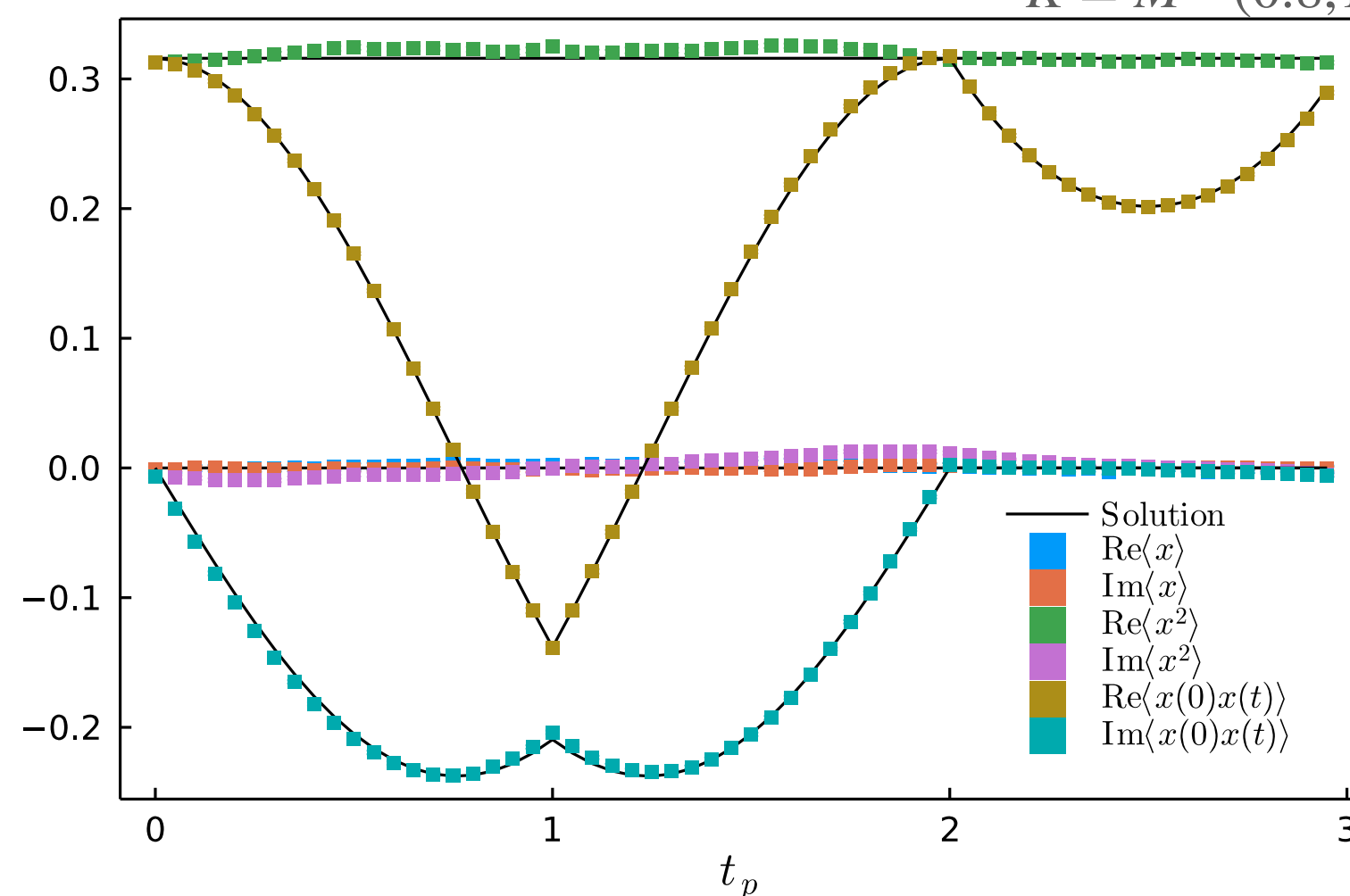
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Systematic scheme to construct kernels

Free theory
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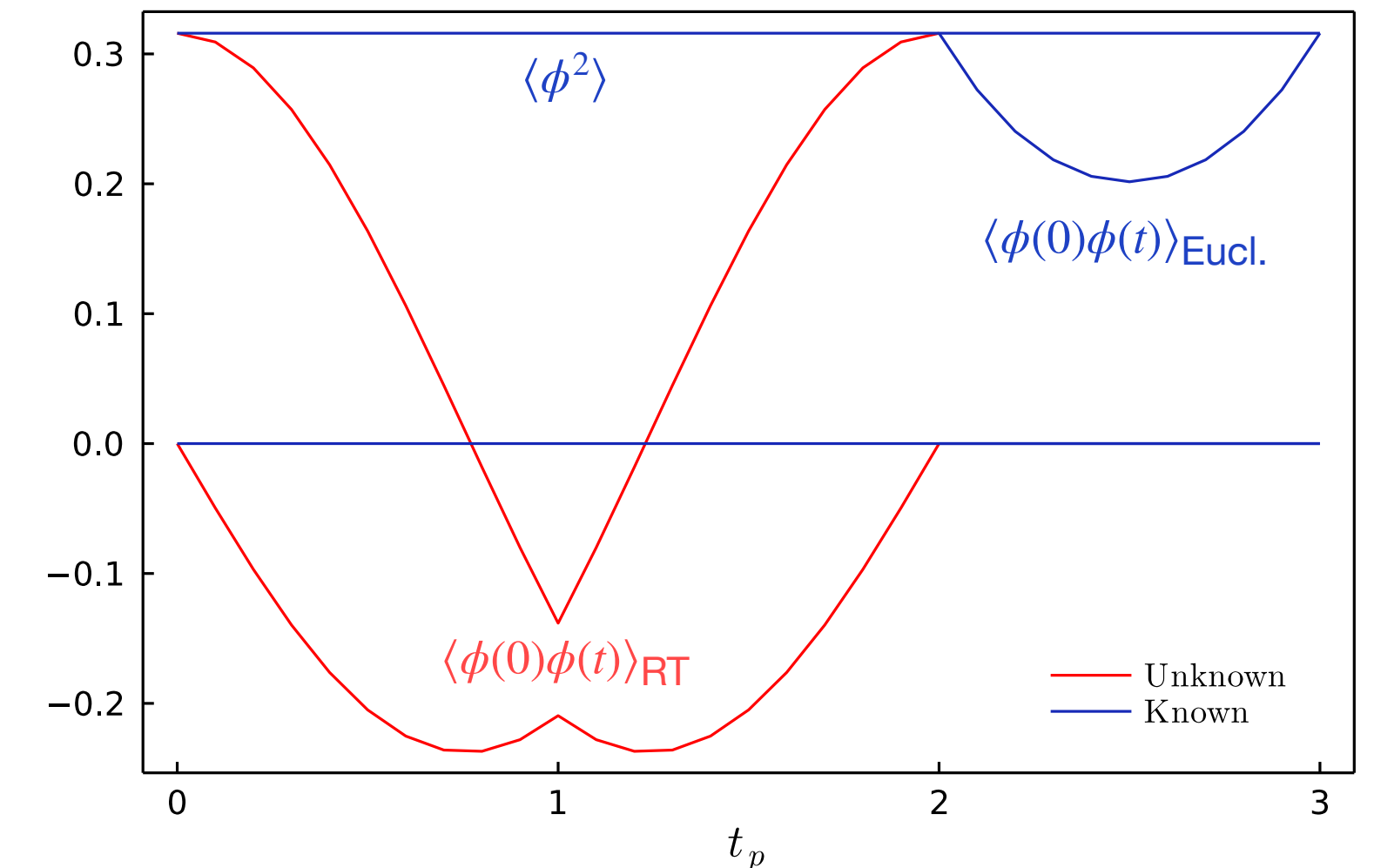


Interactive theory
 $K = M^{-1}(0.8, 1.8)$



Construct kernel

- Can we find a kernel by using prior knowledge about the Complex Langevin and the model
- Known information
 - L^{Sym} : Symmetries of the model, ex. $\langle \phi^n \rangle = \text{const.}$ (known from Euclidean simulation)
 - L^{Eucl} : Euclidean part of real-time contour
 - L^{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)

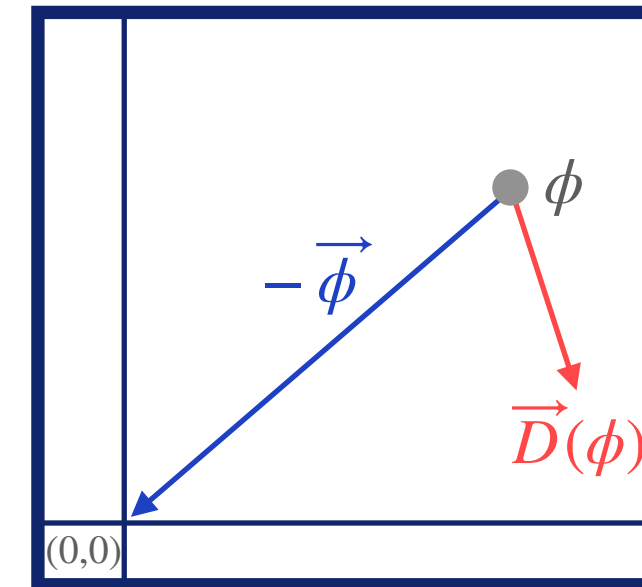


Local loss function

- 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^{Sym} , L^{Eucl} , L^{BT} to test result from minimising L_D
- Minimising L_D same as minimising boundary terms: L^{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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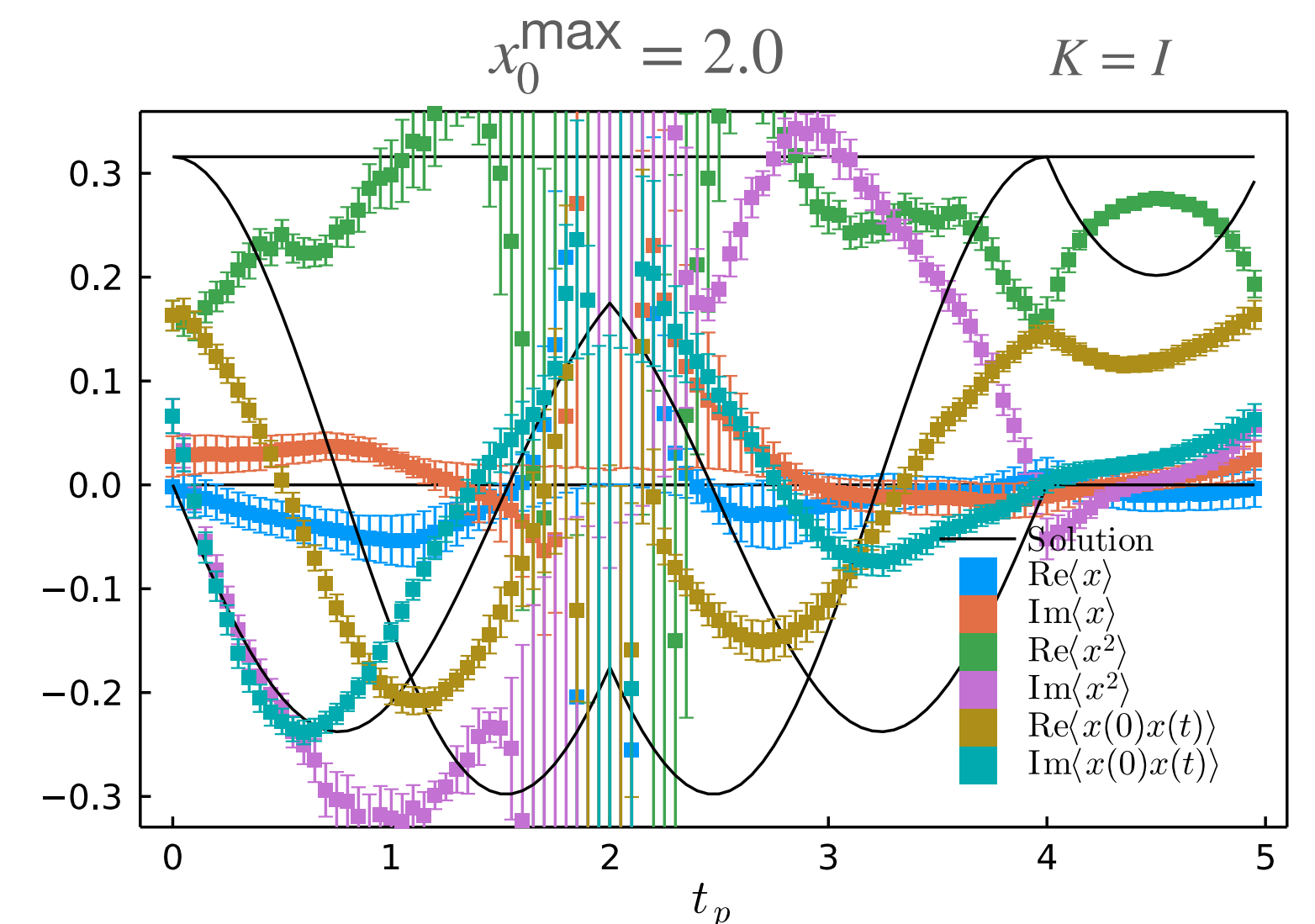
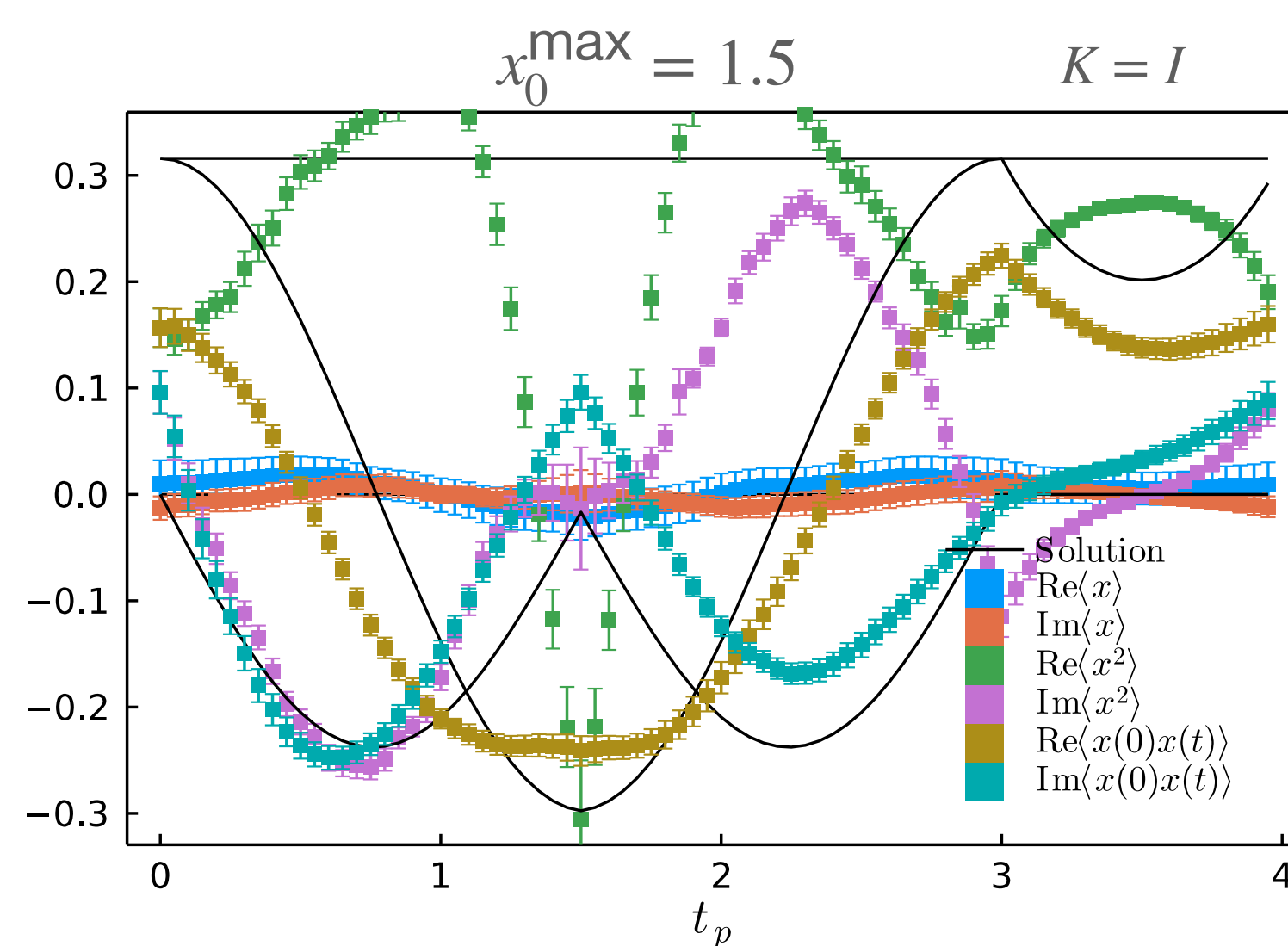
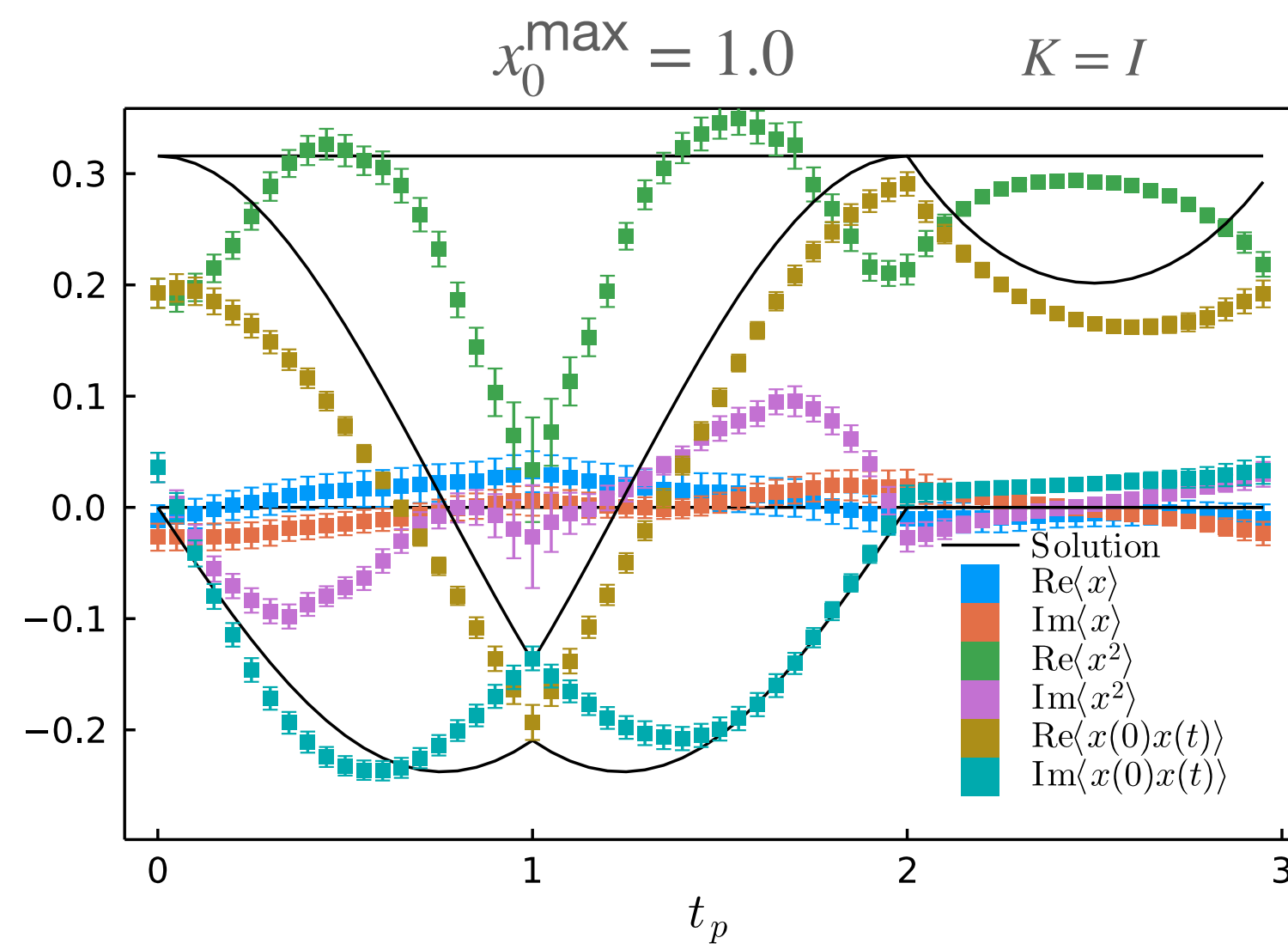
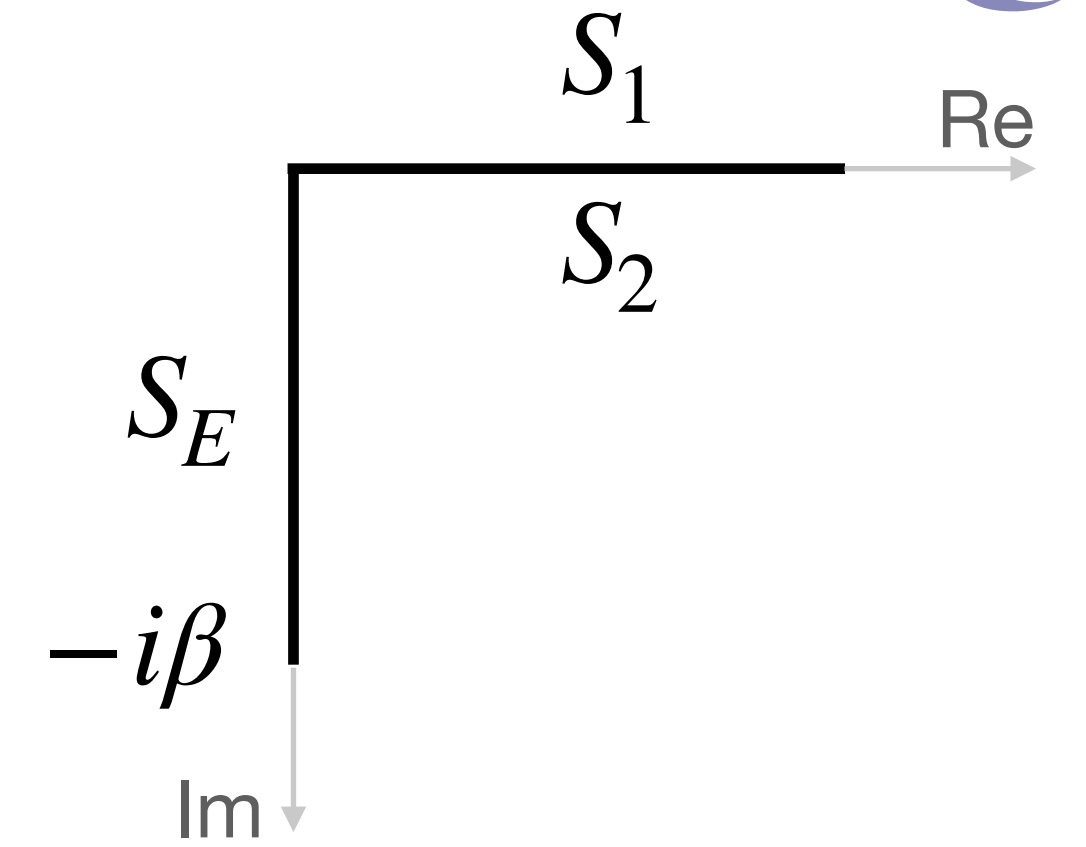
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Measure L^{Sym} , L^{Eucl} , L^{BT}

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

Real-time interactive theory results

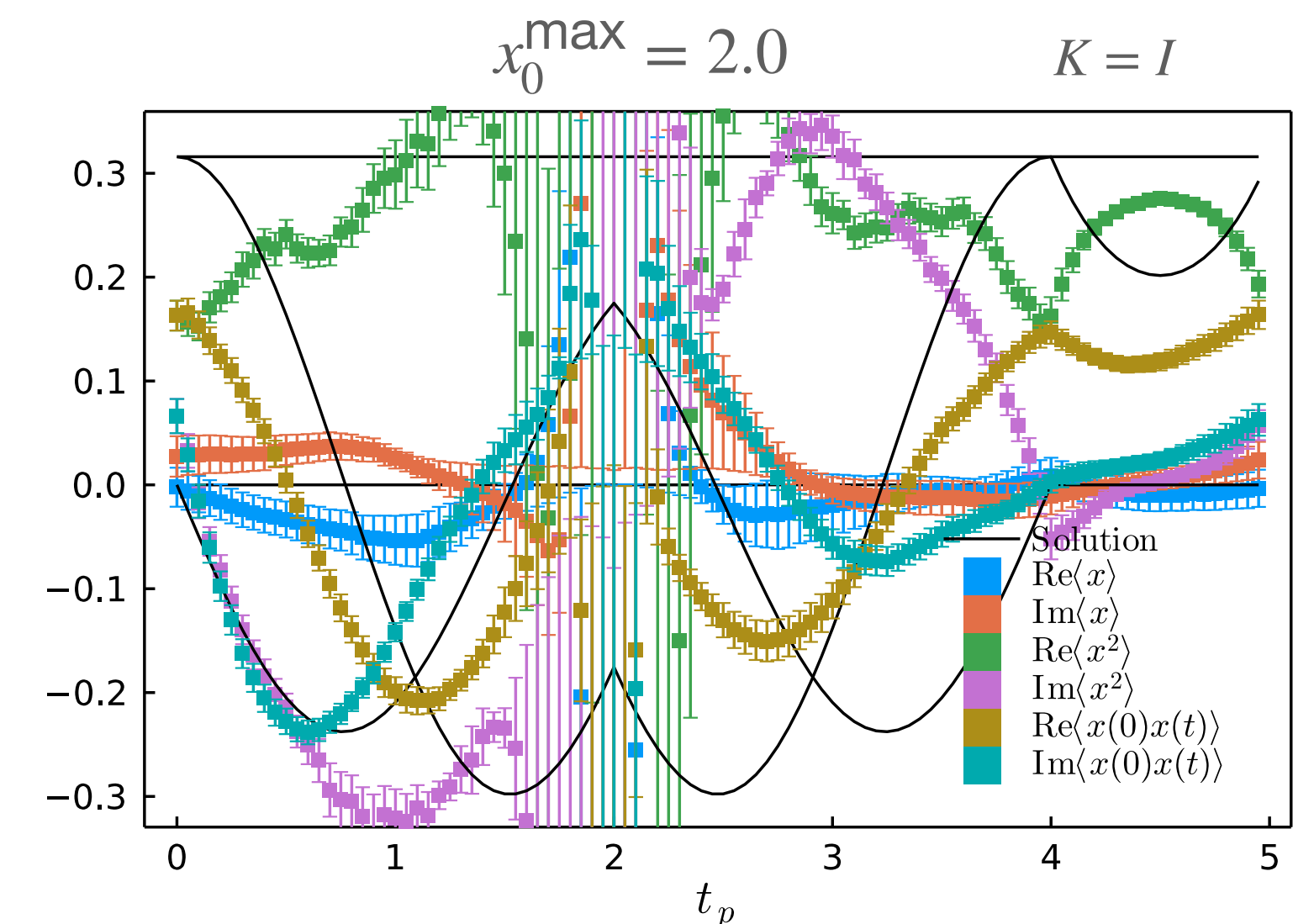
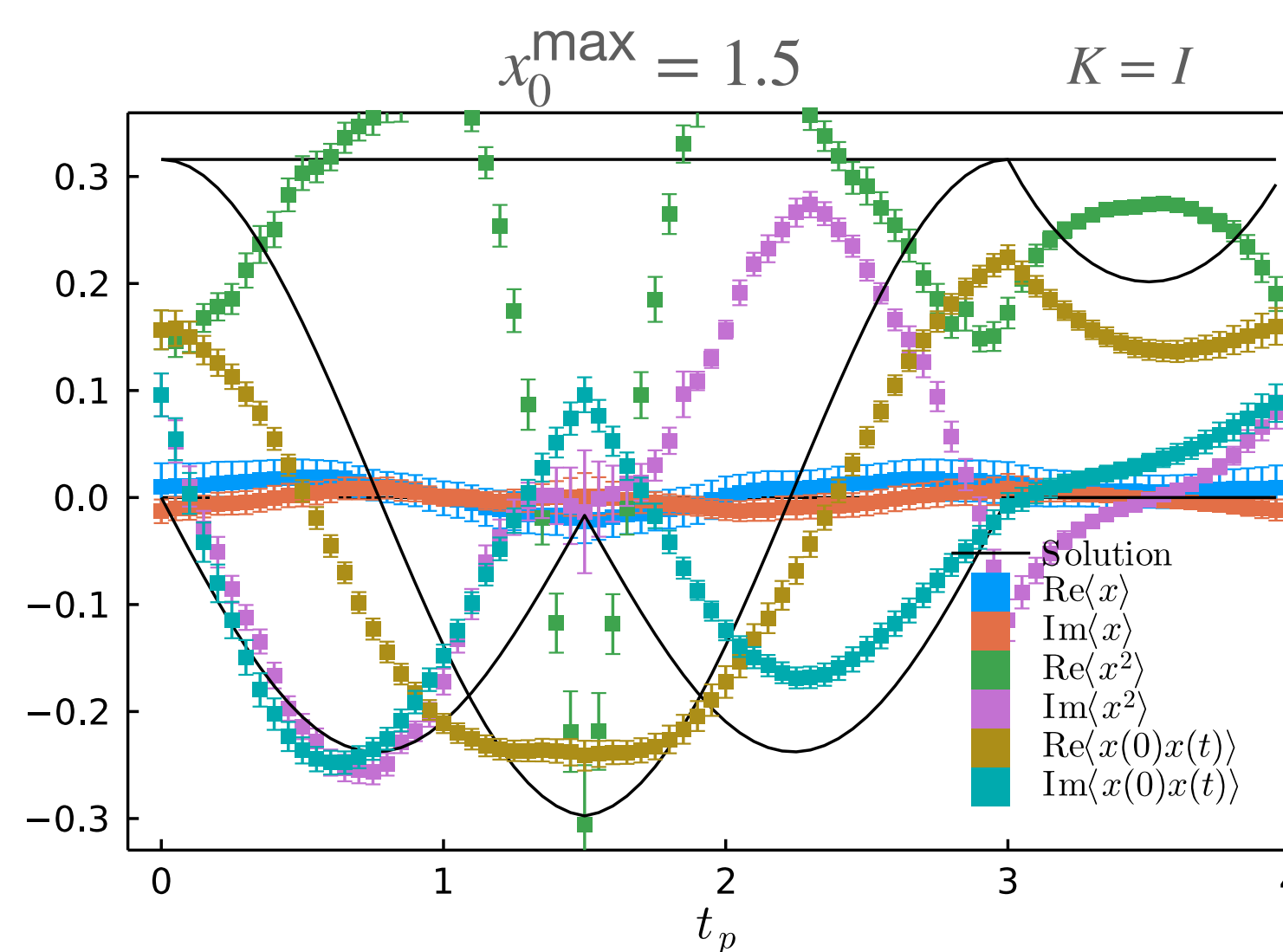
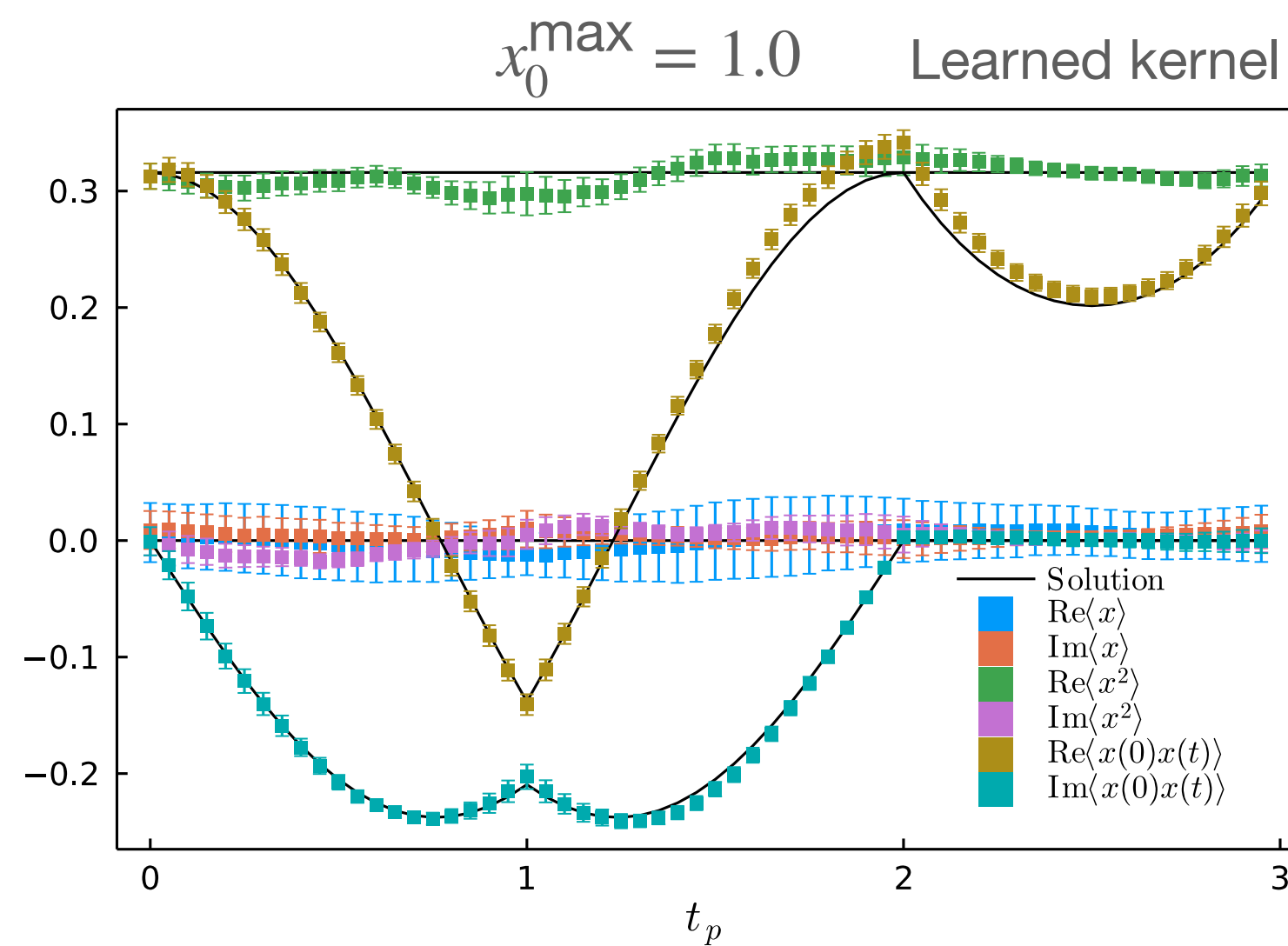
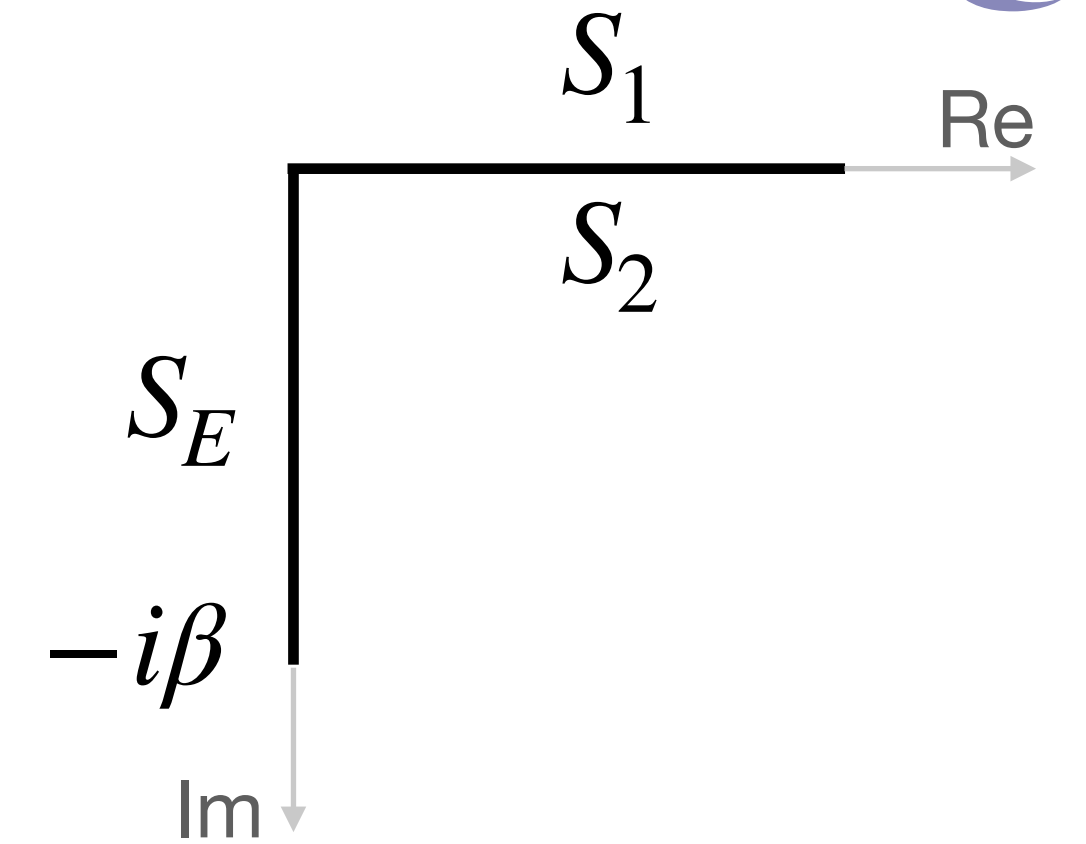
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- Form of the kernel $K = e^{A+iB}$ where A and B are real matrices
- Optimisation using L_D , selecting iteration with best $L^{\text{Sym}} + L^{\text{Eucl.}}$
- Critical points away from the origin: $\frac{dS[\phi]}{d\phi} = 0$



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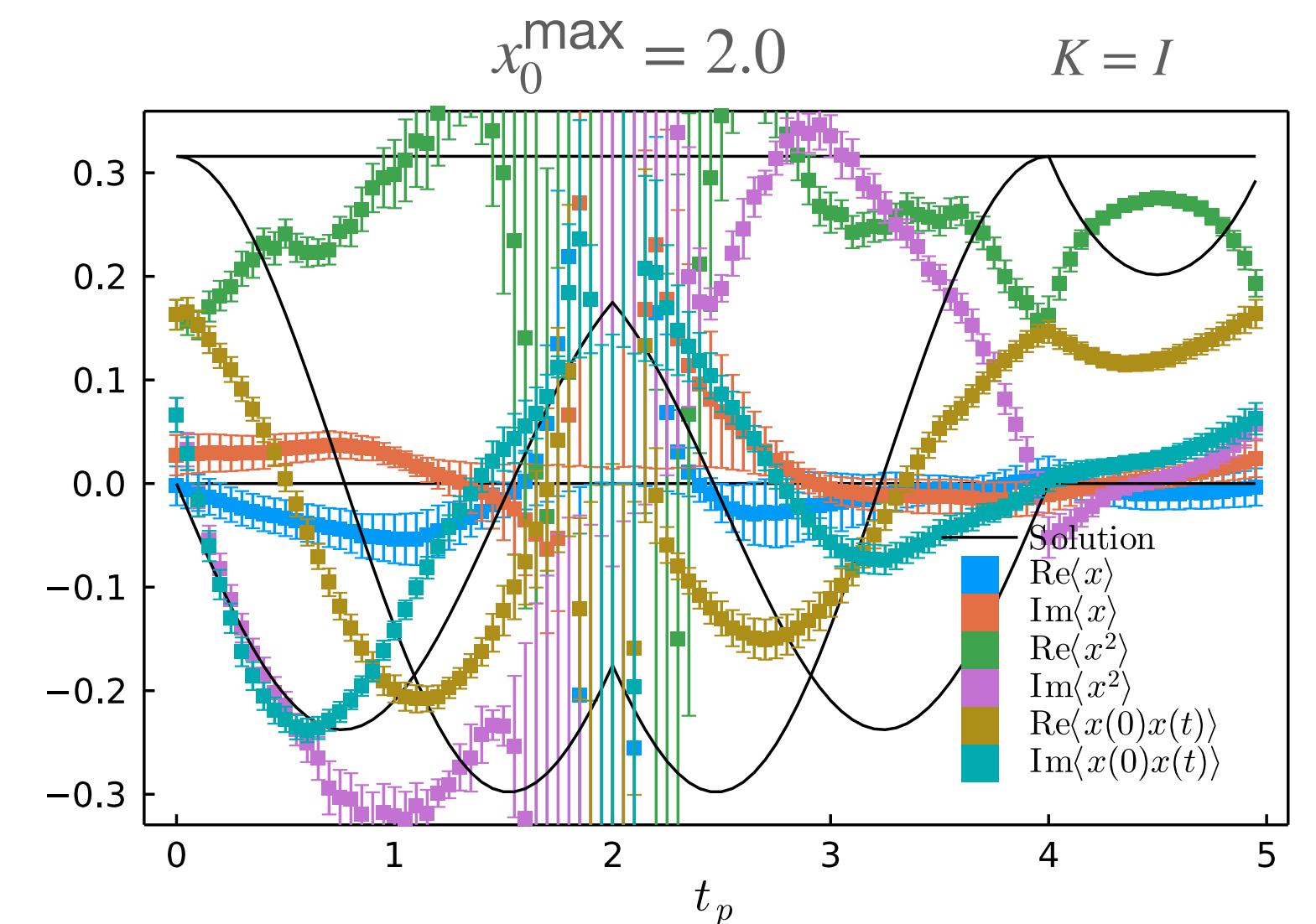
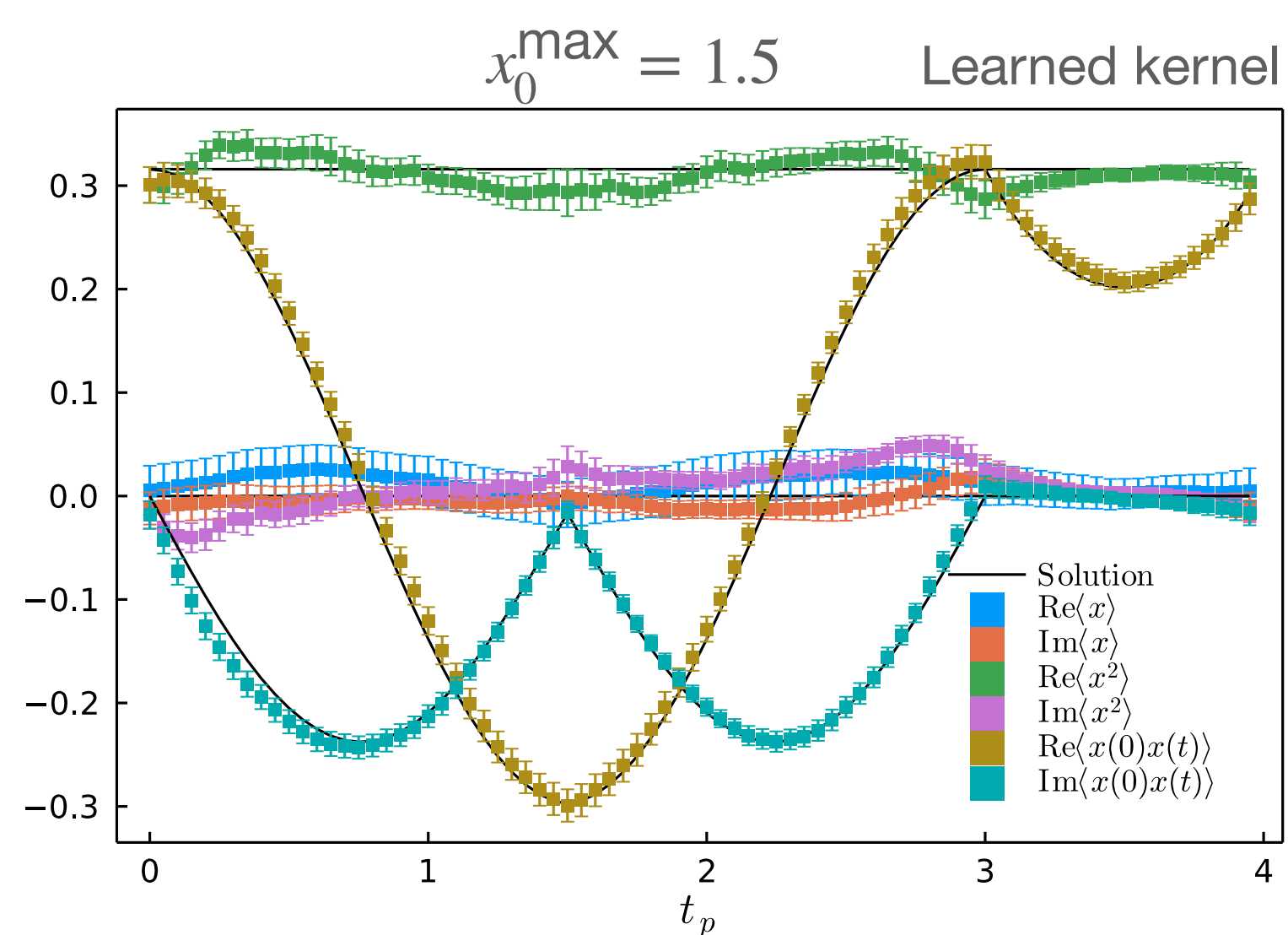
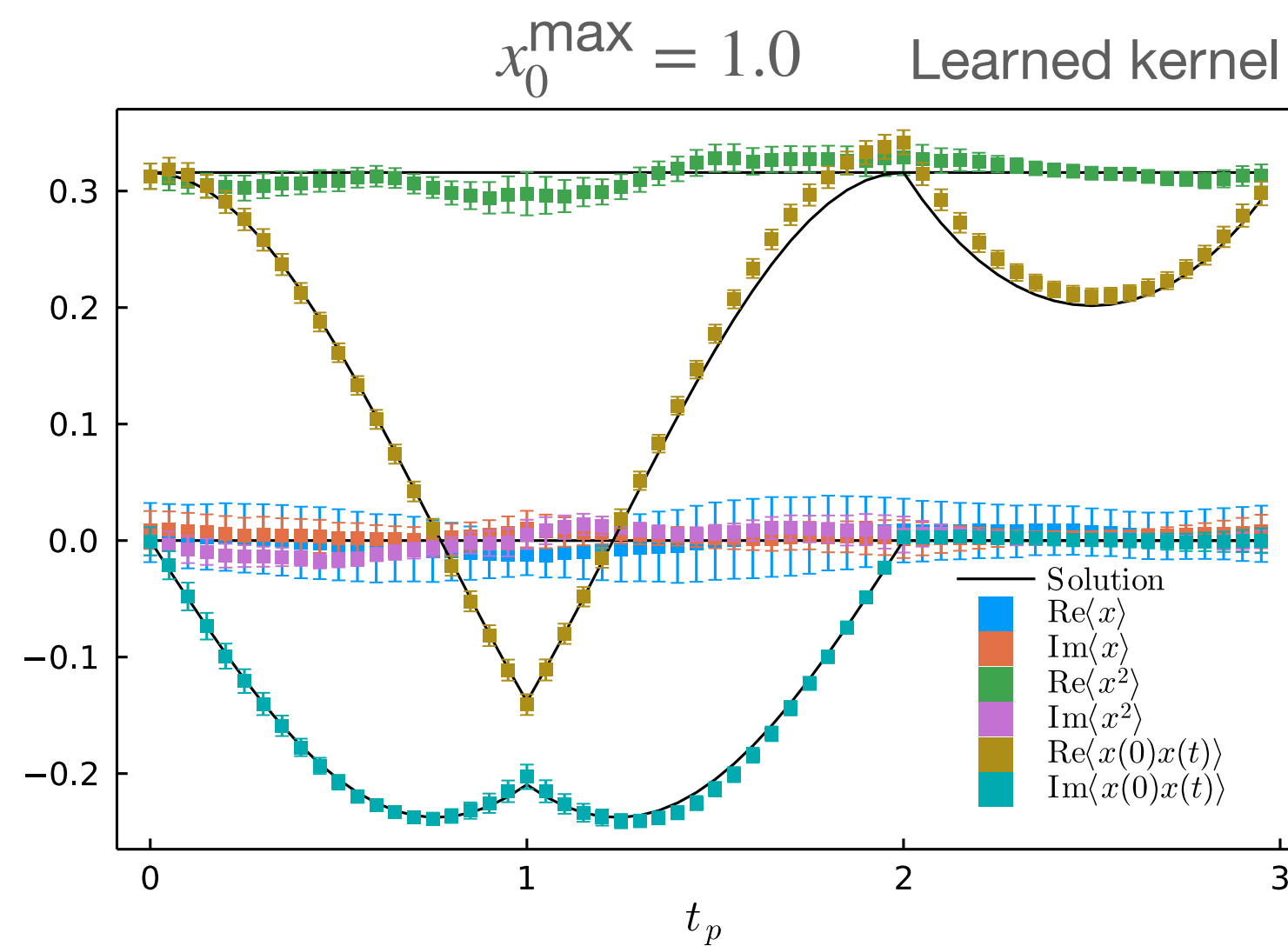
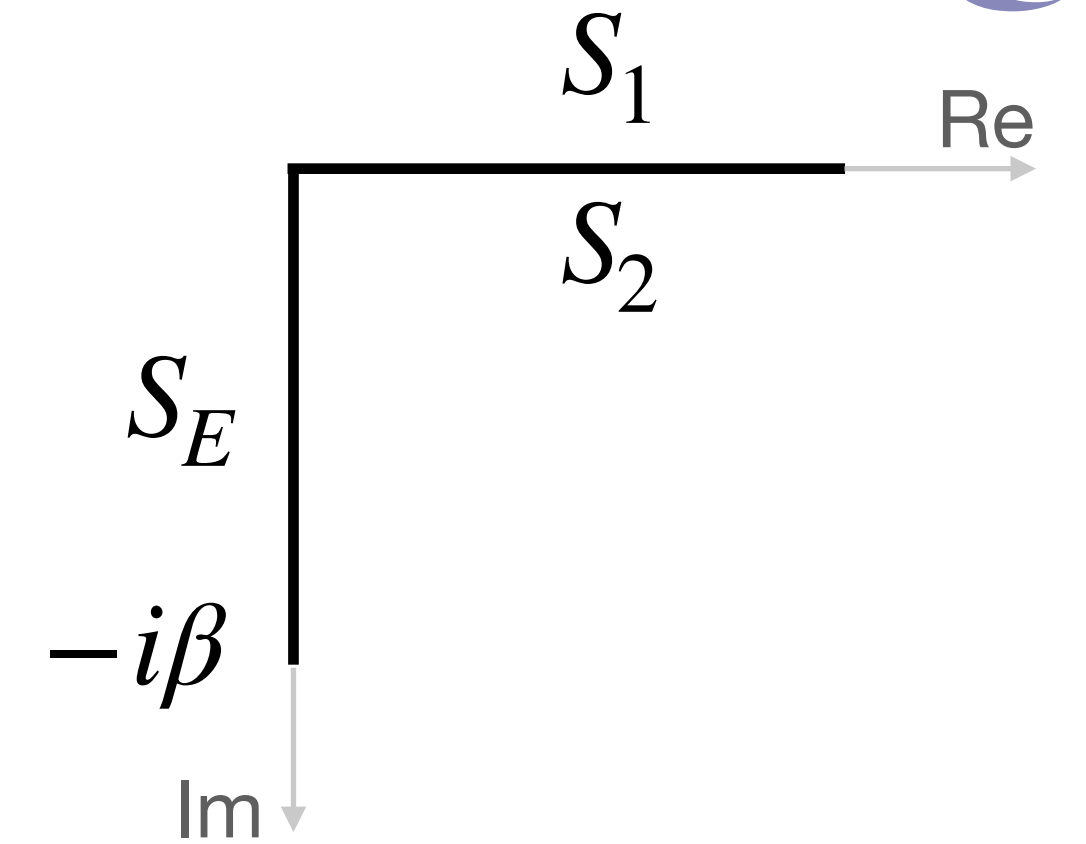


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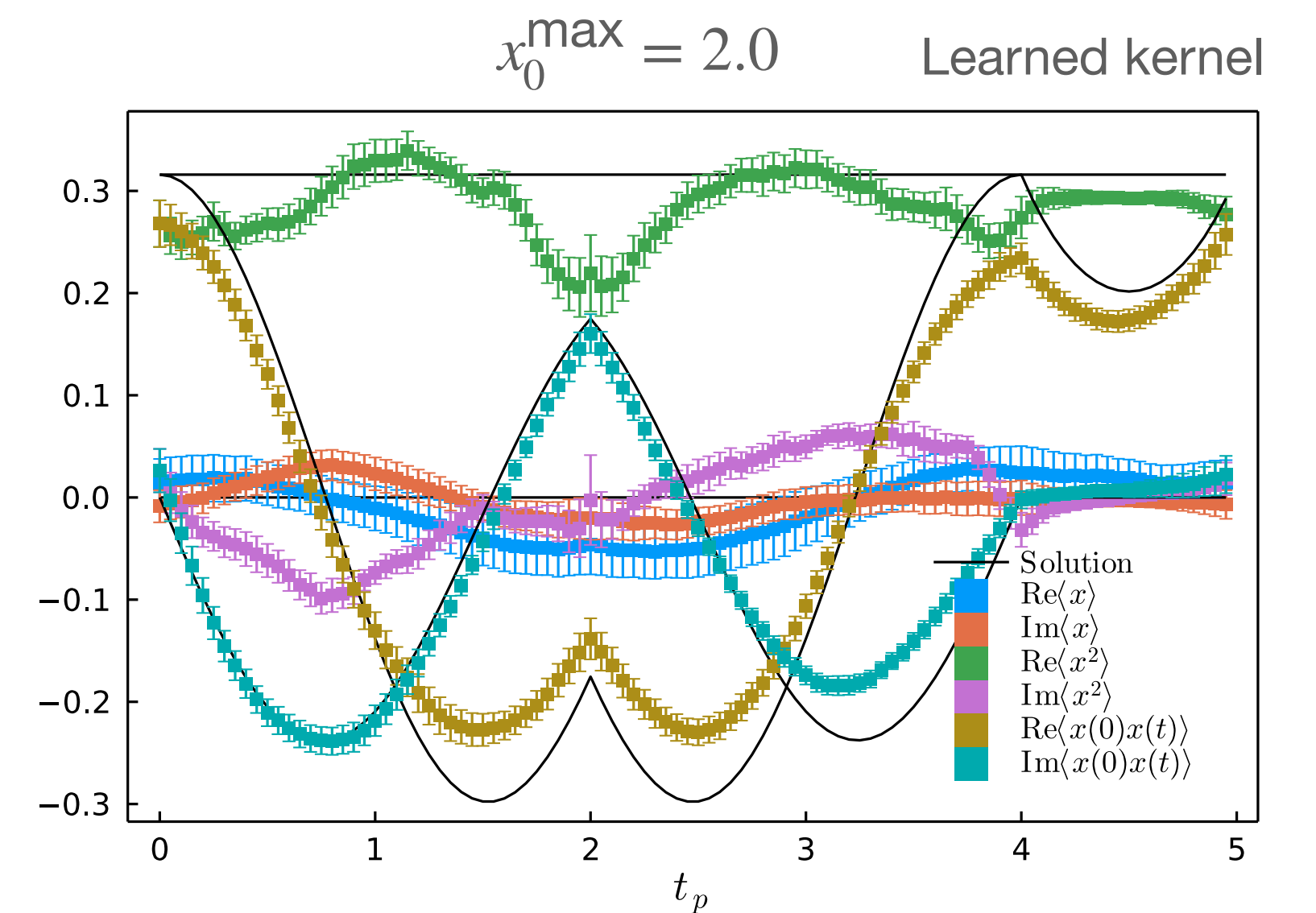
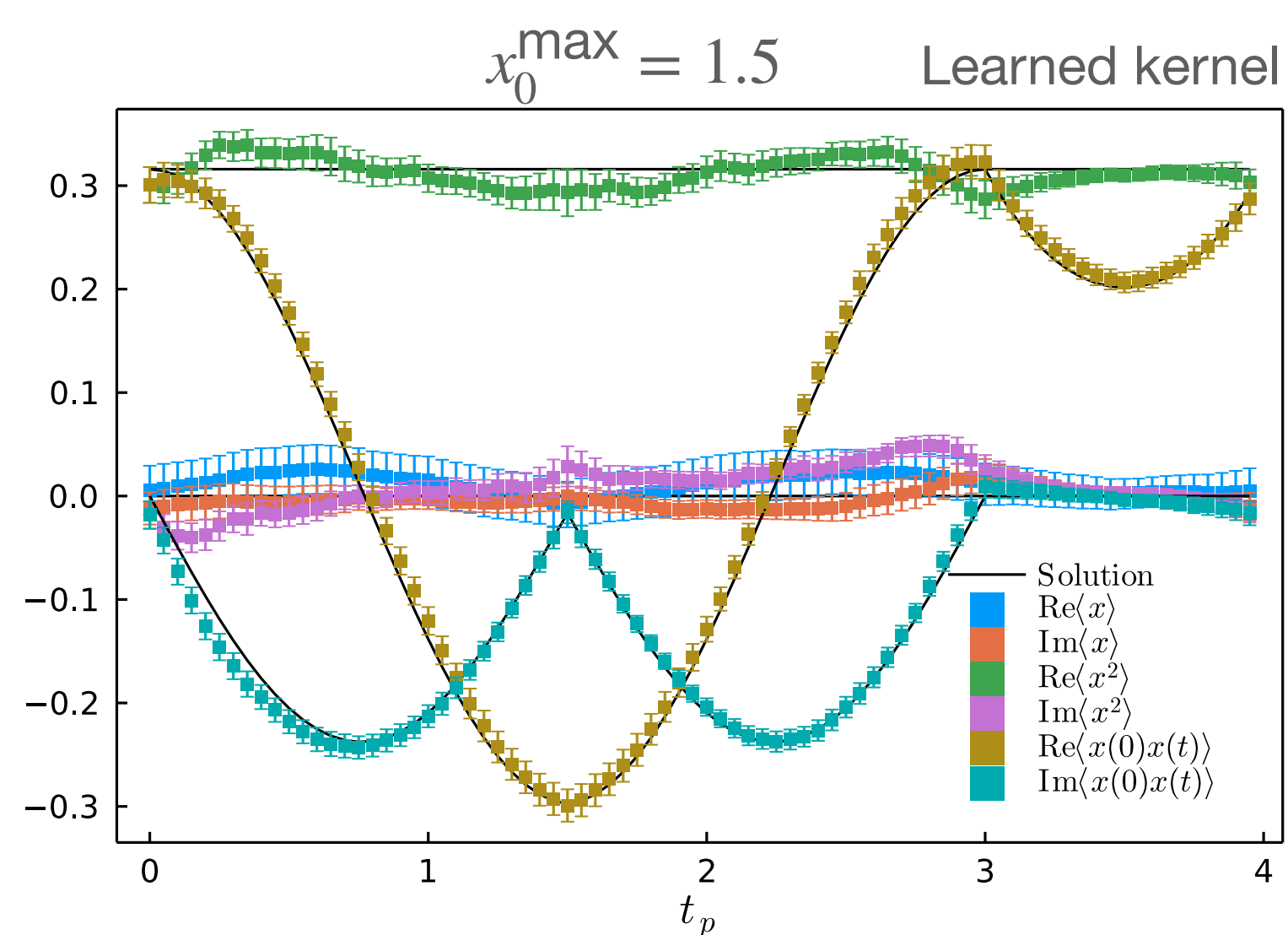
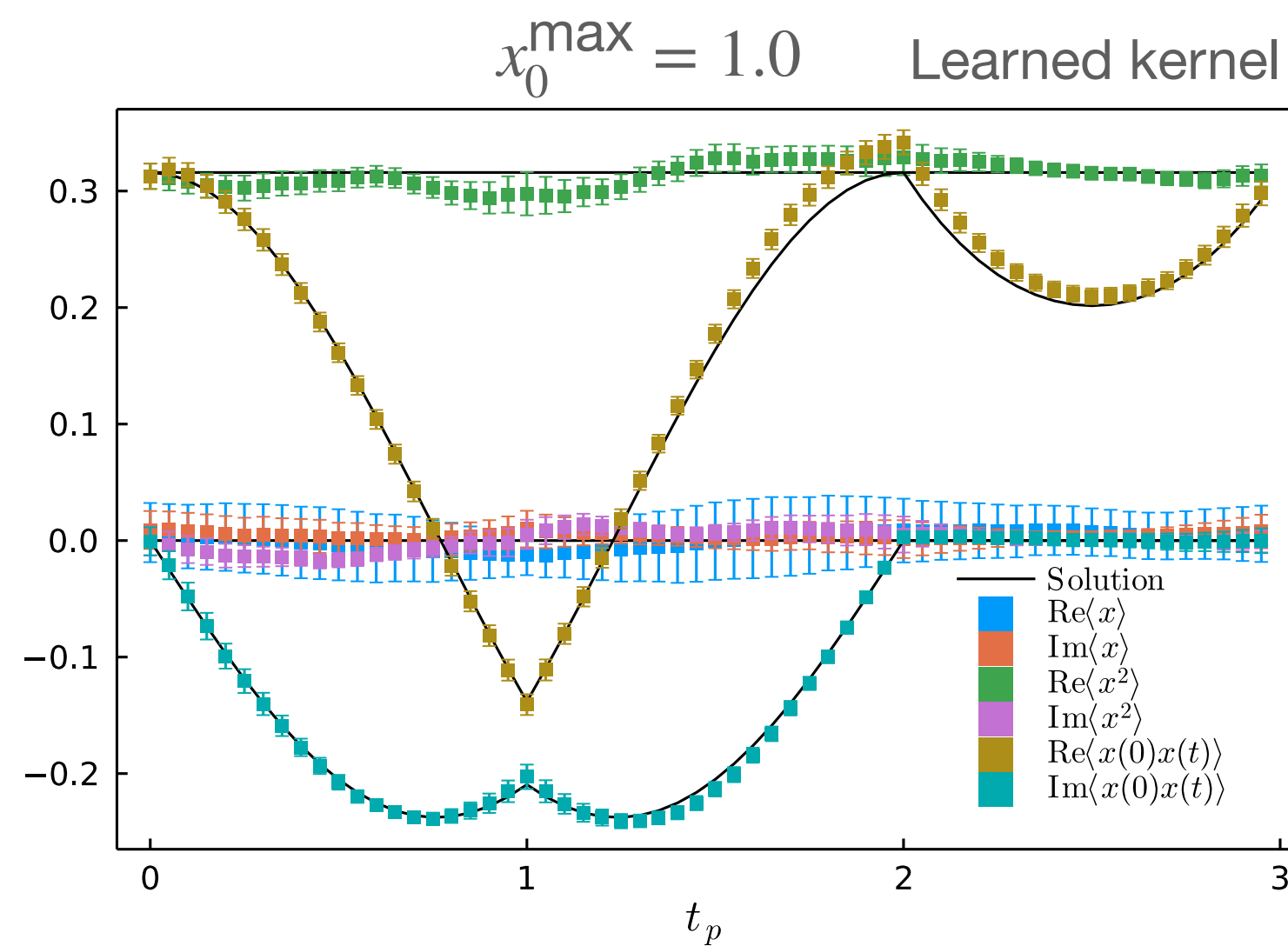
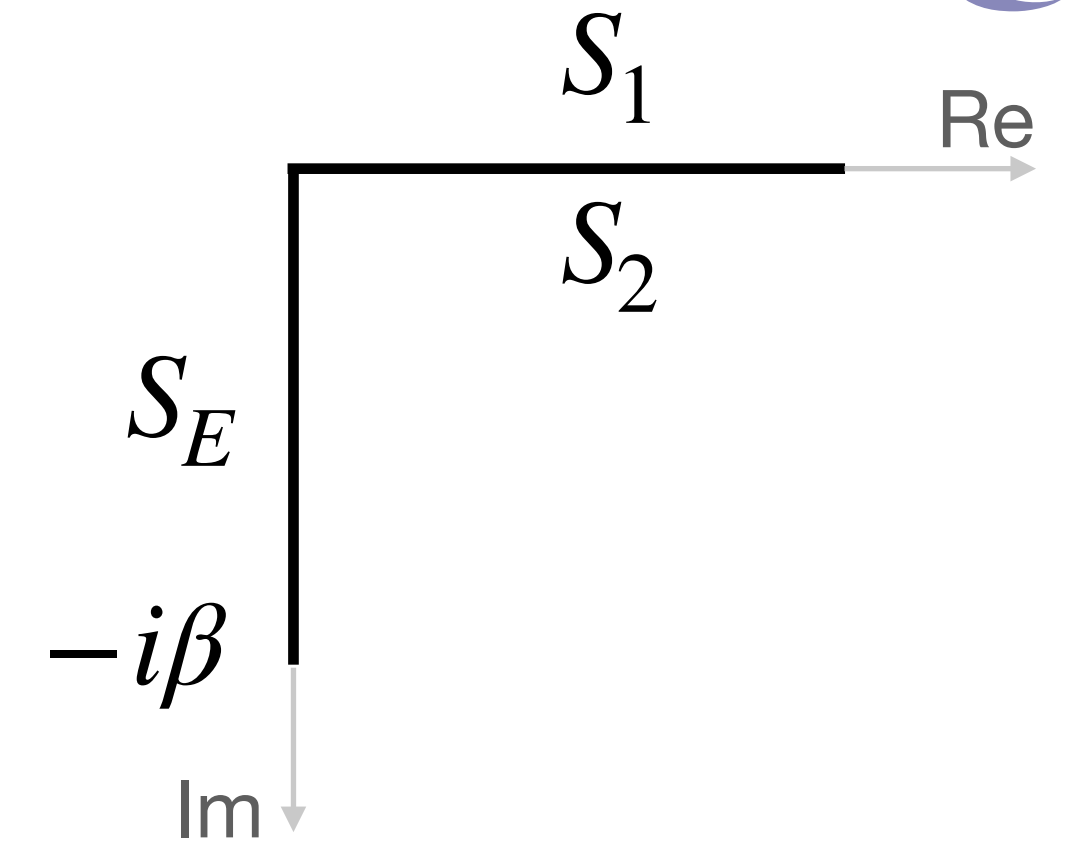
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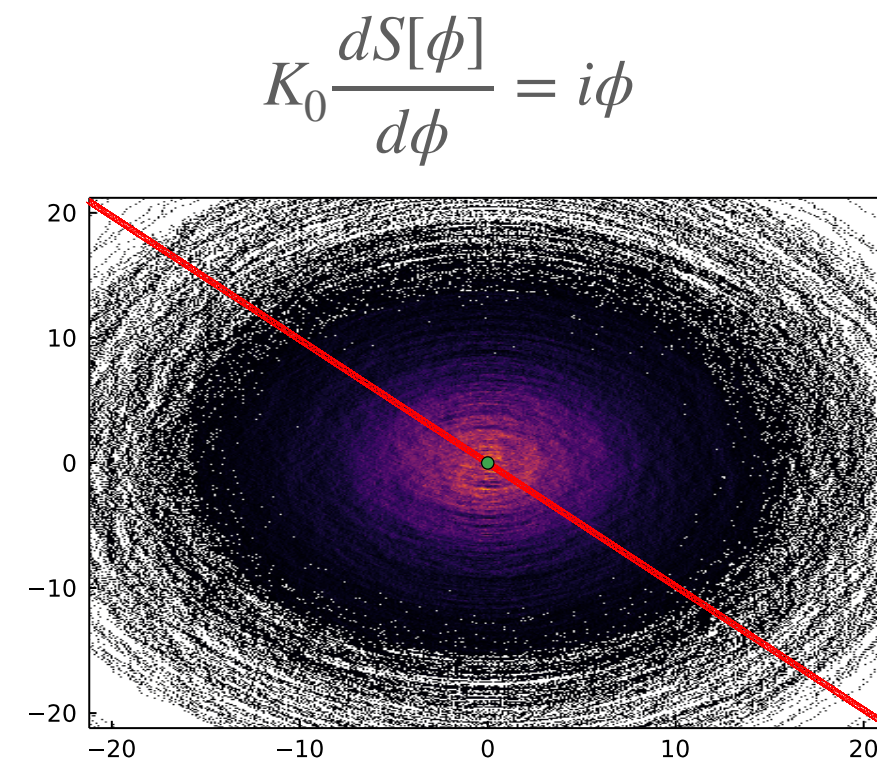
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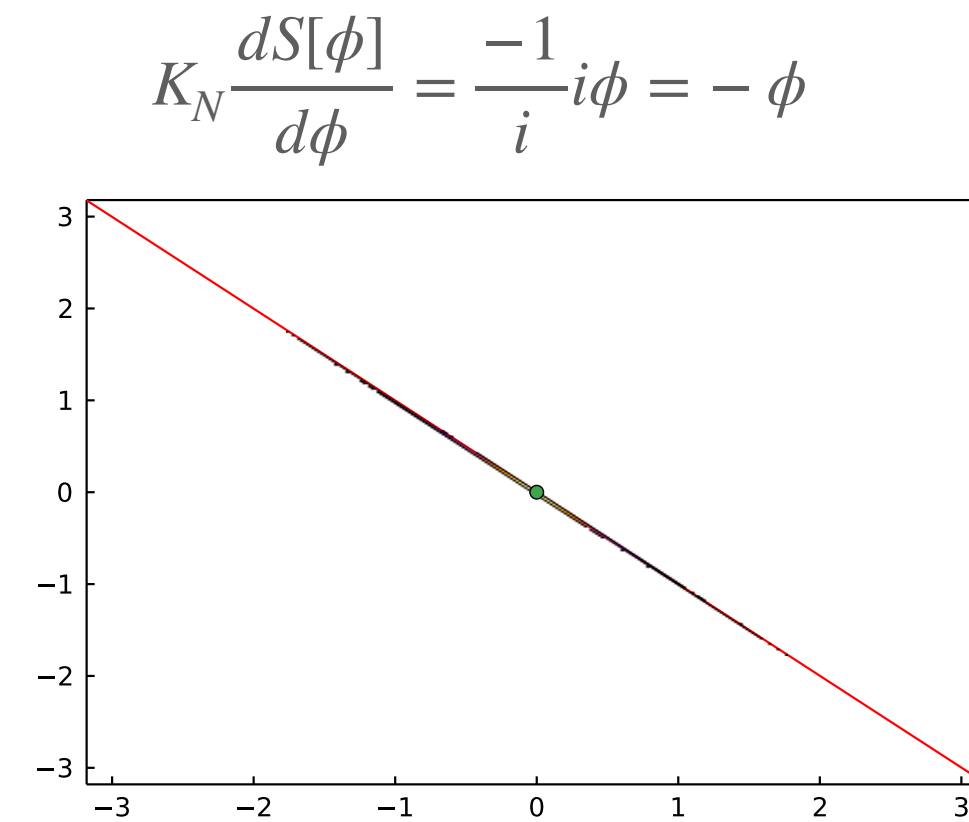
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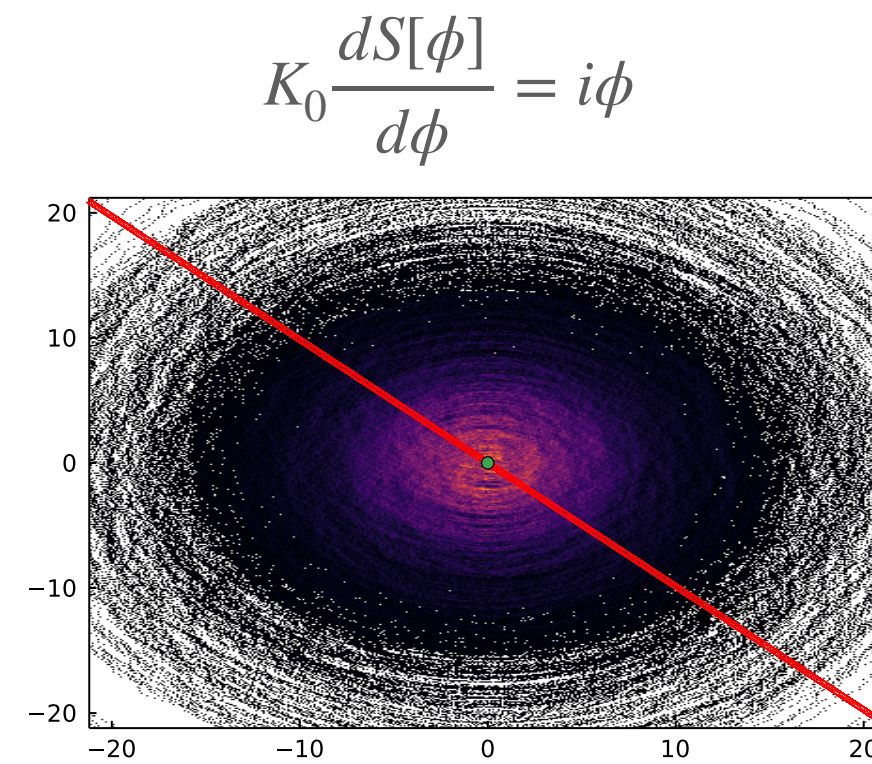
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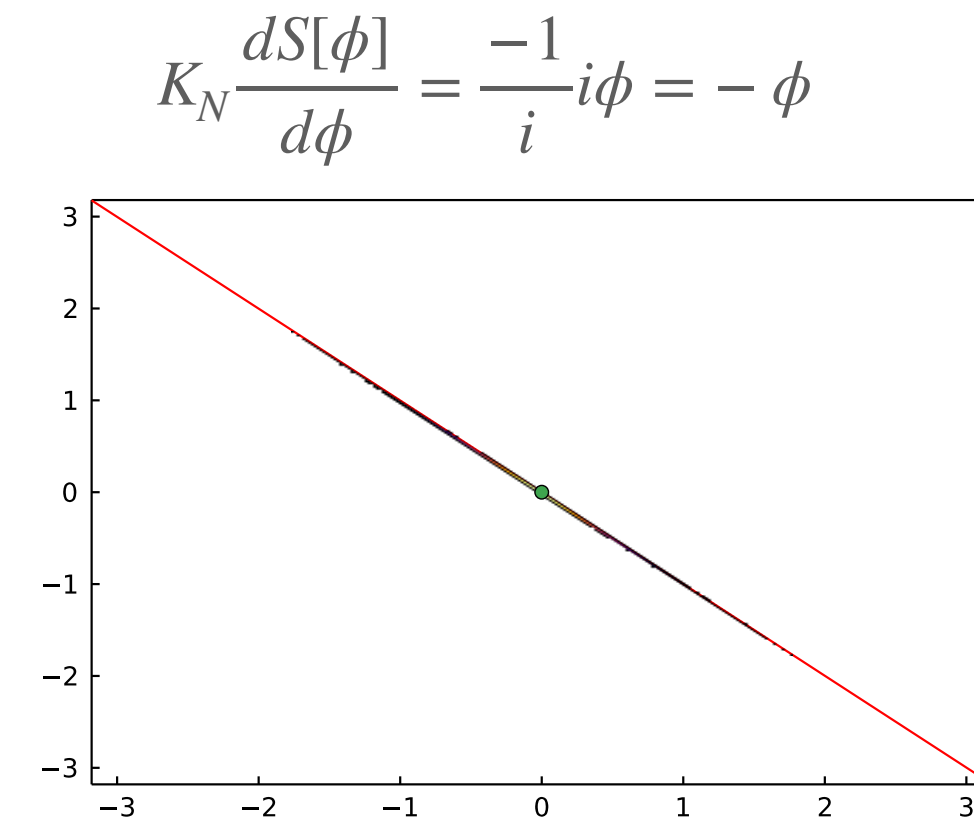
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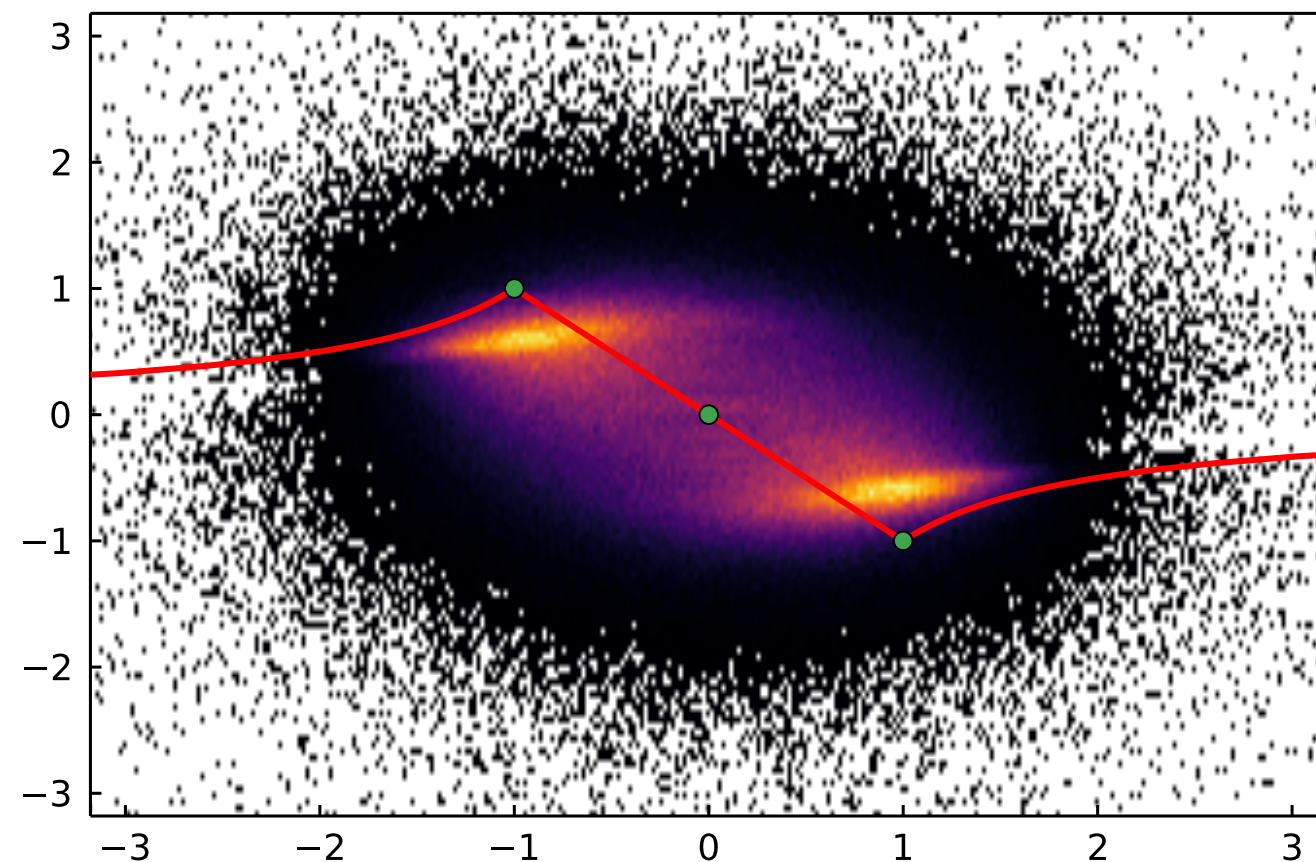


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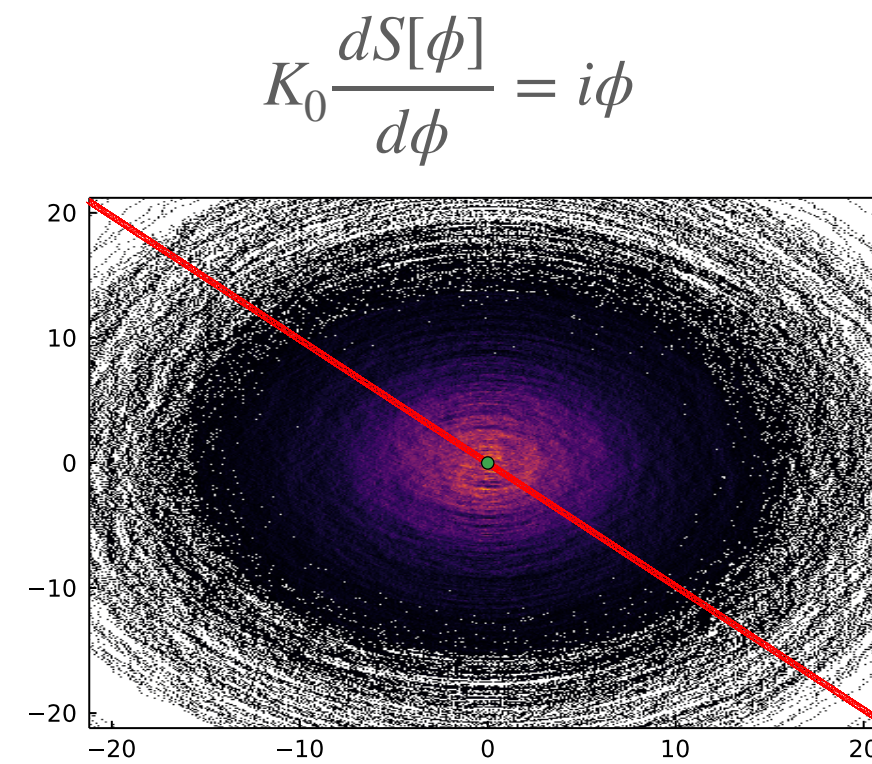
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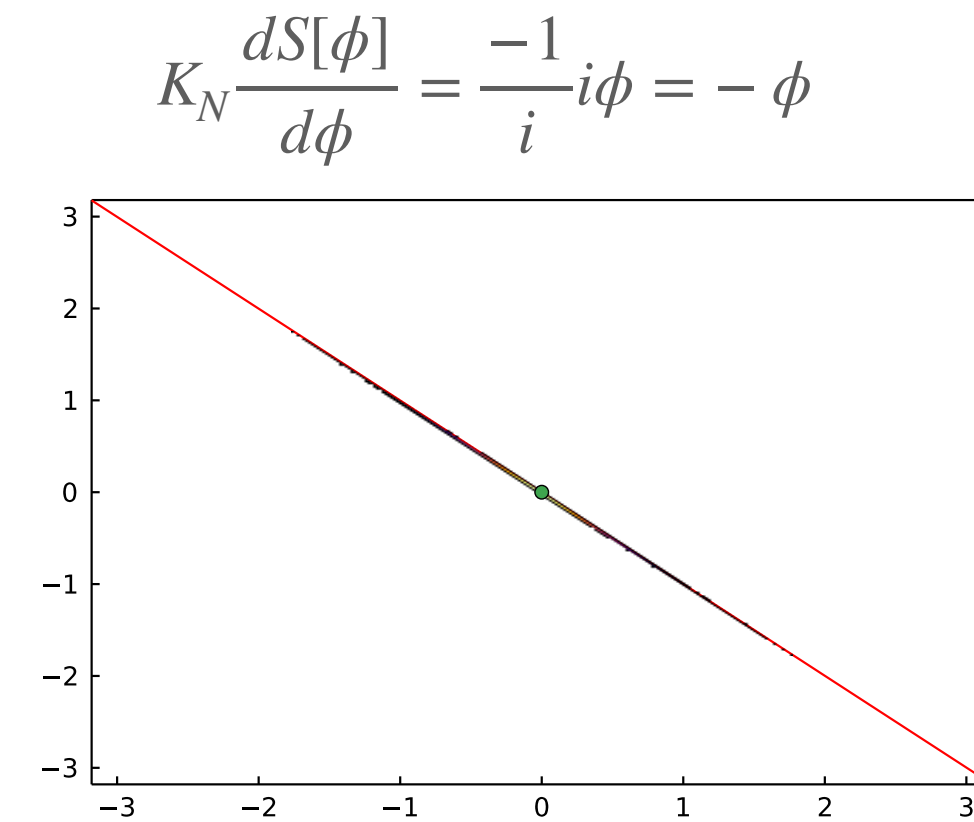
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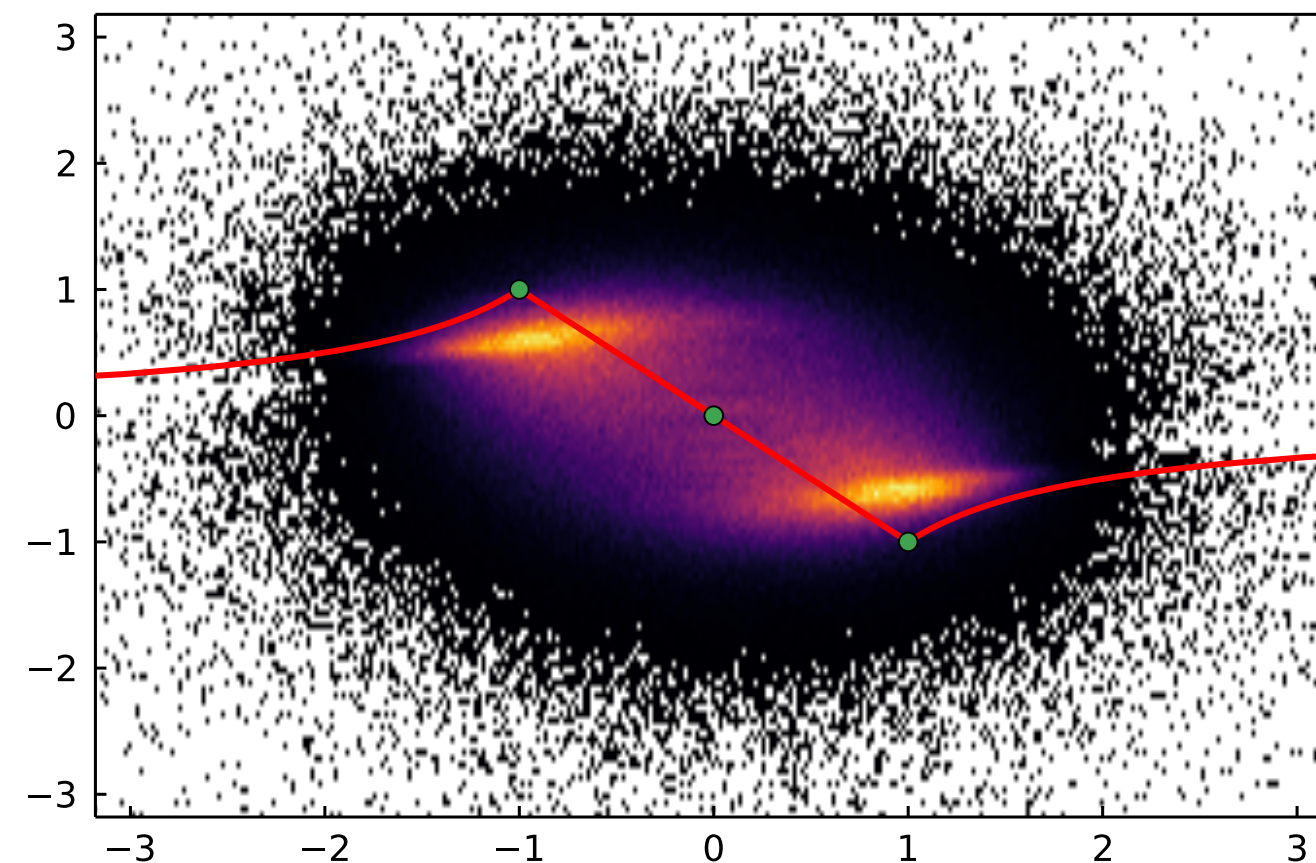


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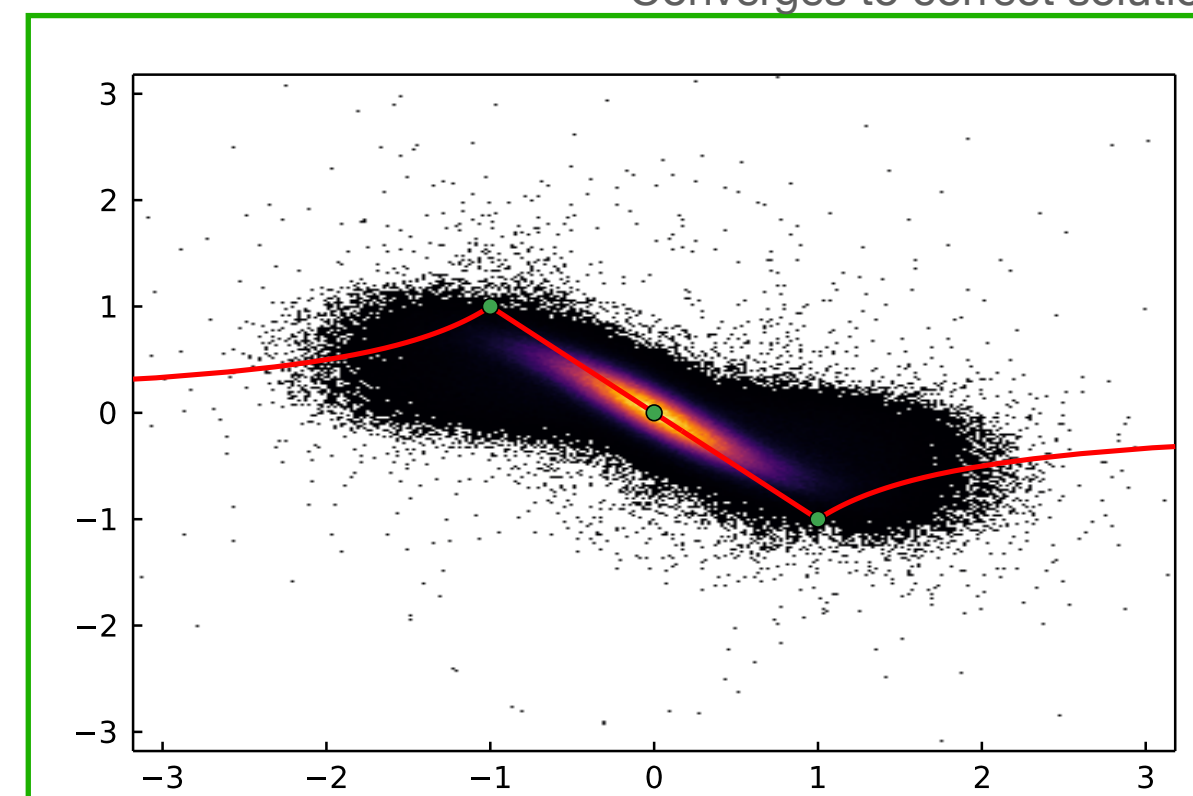
Optimising L_D for a constant kernel
 $K = e^{i\theta}$

Two minimas

Fokker-Planck eigenvalues

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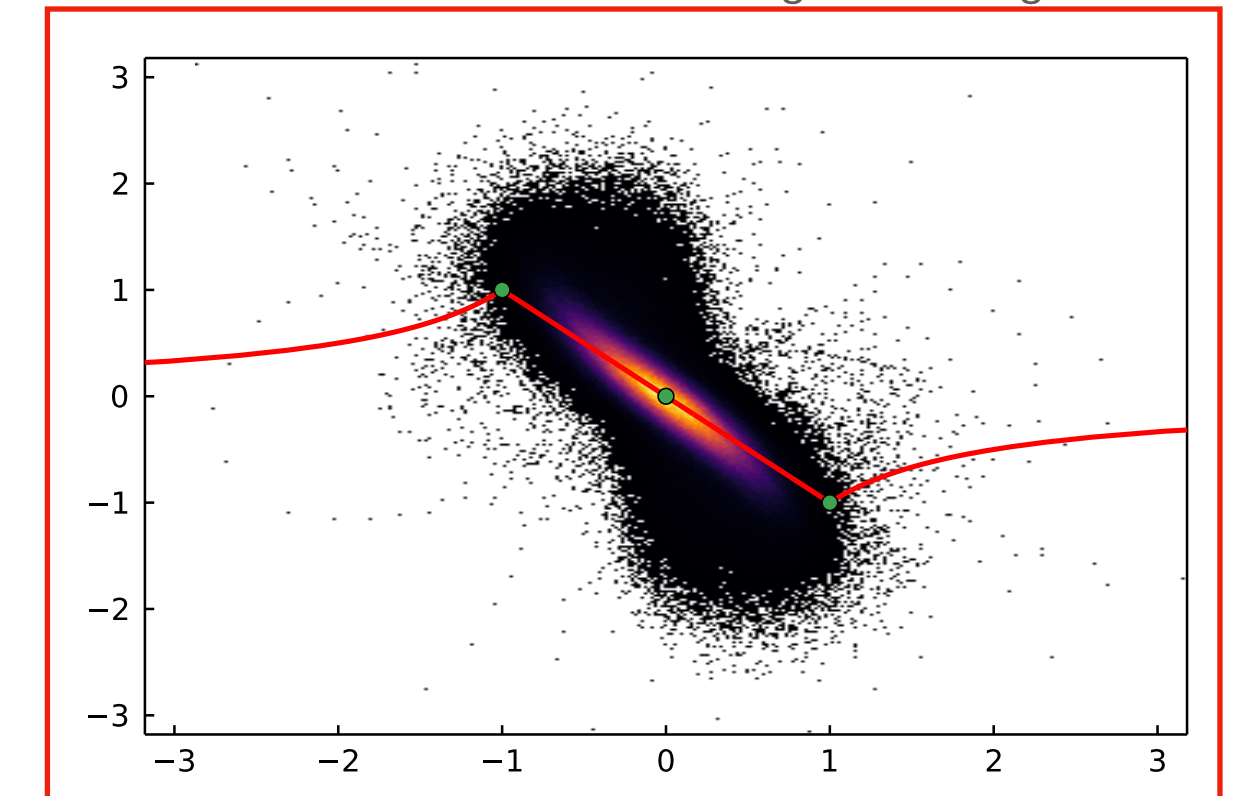
Converges to correct solution



$K_N \frac{dS[\phi]}{d\phi} = e^{-i\frac{\pi}{3}}(4i\phi + 2\phi^3)$
 $L_{\text{True}} = 0.0057 \pm 0.0061$

And

Converges to wrong solution



$K_N \frac{dS[\phi]}{d\phi} = e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{3}}(4i\phi + 2\phi^3)$
 $L_{\text{True}} = 0.3086 \pm 0.0059$

Boundary terms and kernels

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

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



- Minimising L_D minimise the boundary terms:

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

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

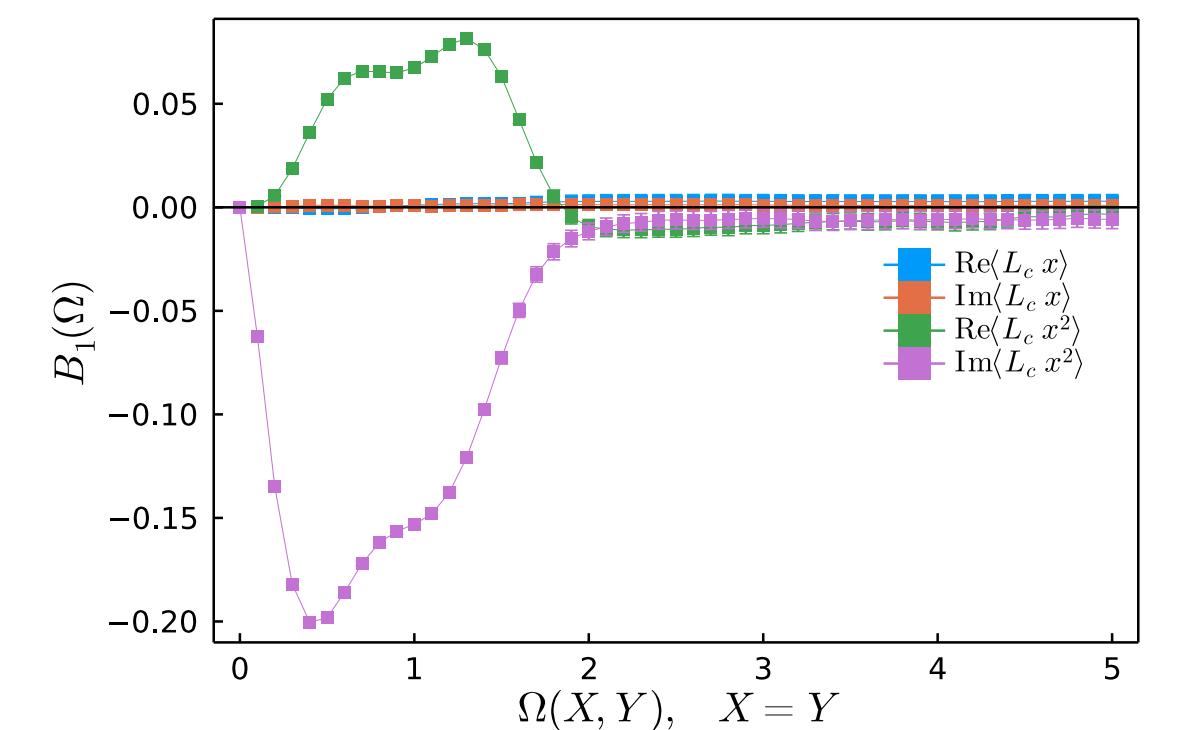
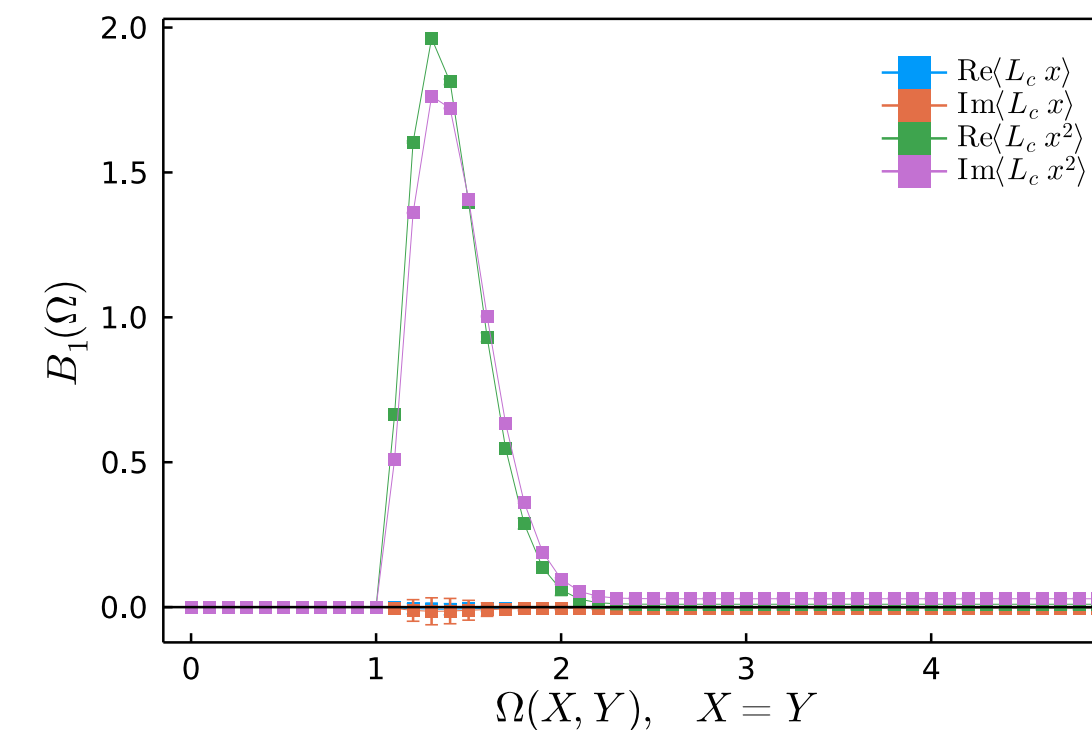
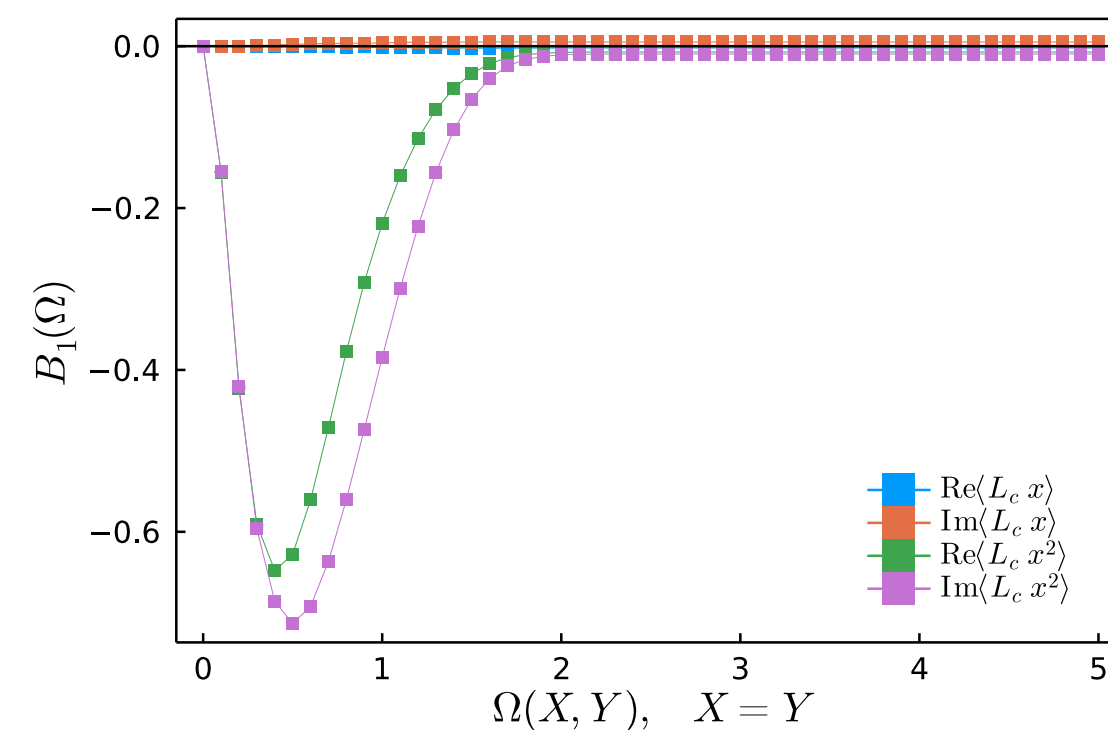
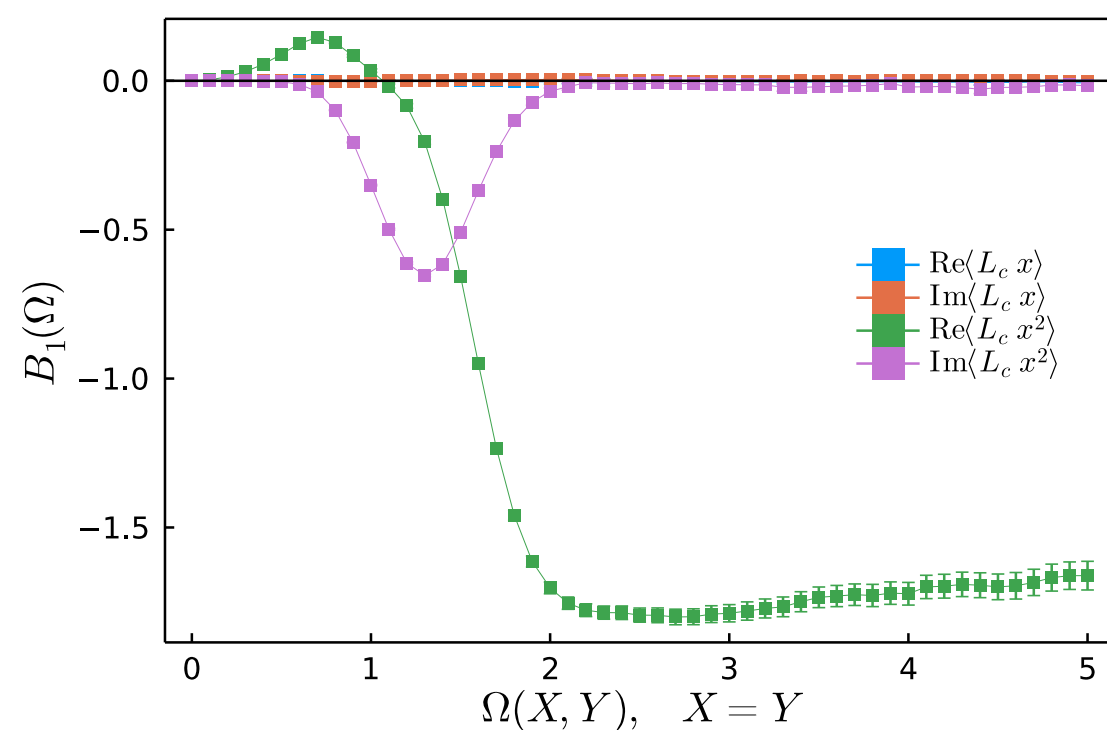
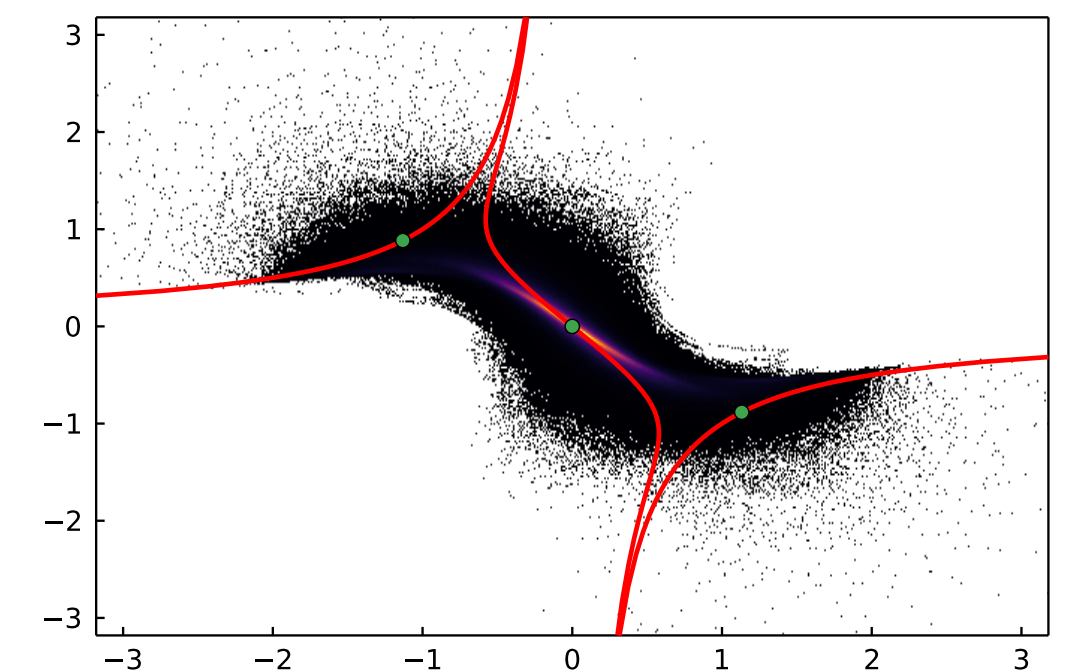
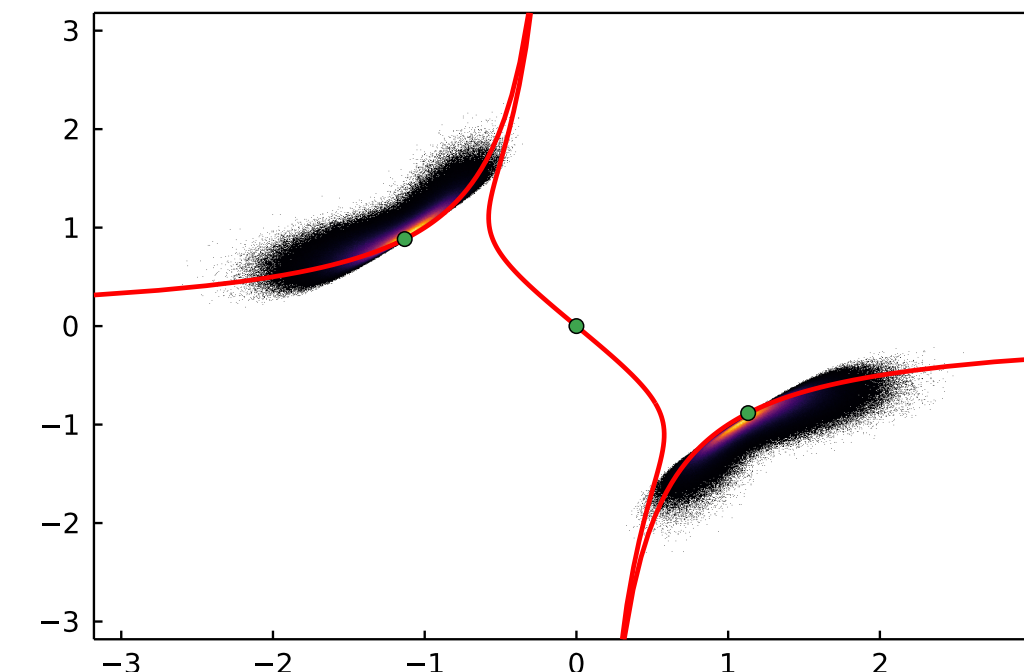
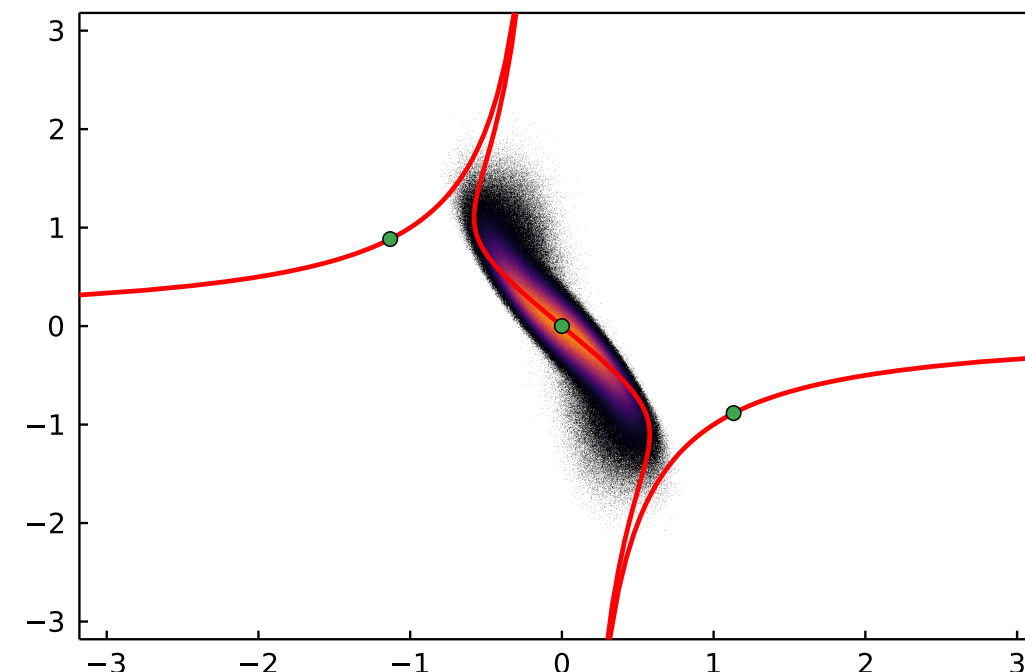
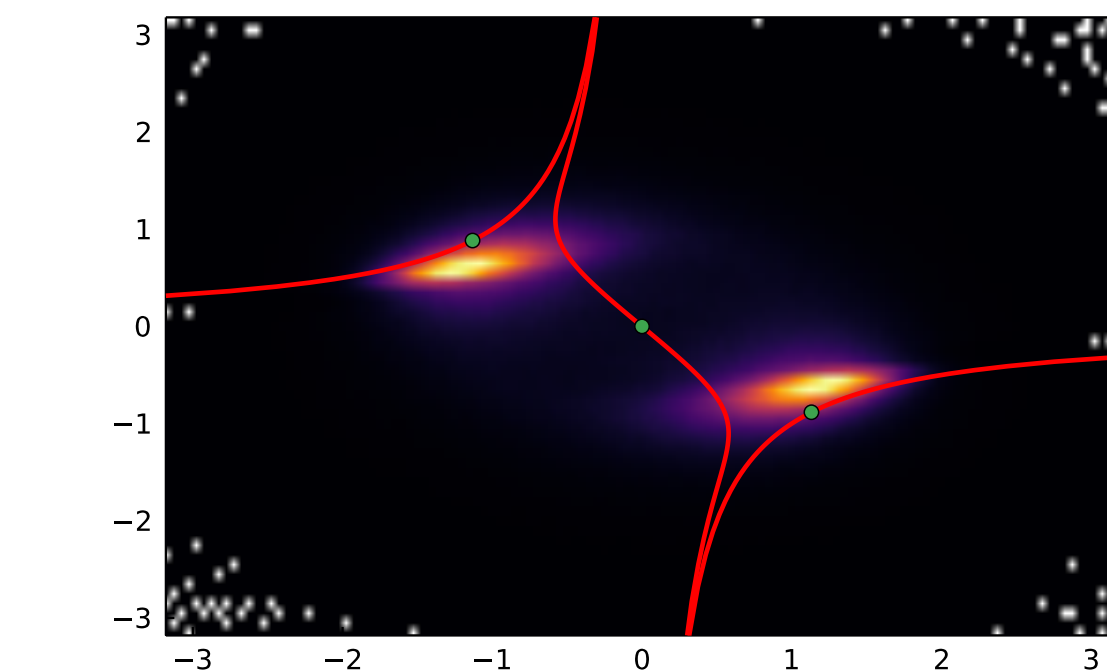
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$K = 1$

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

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Field dependent kernel



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

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

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

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

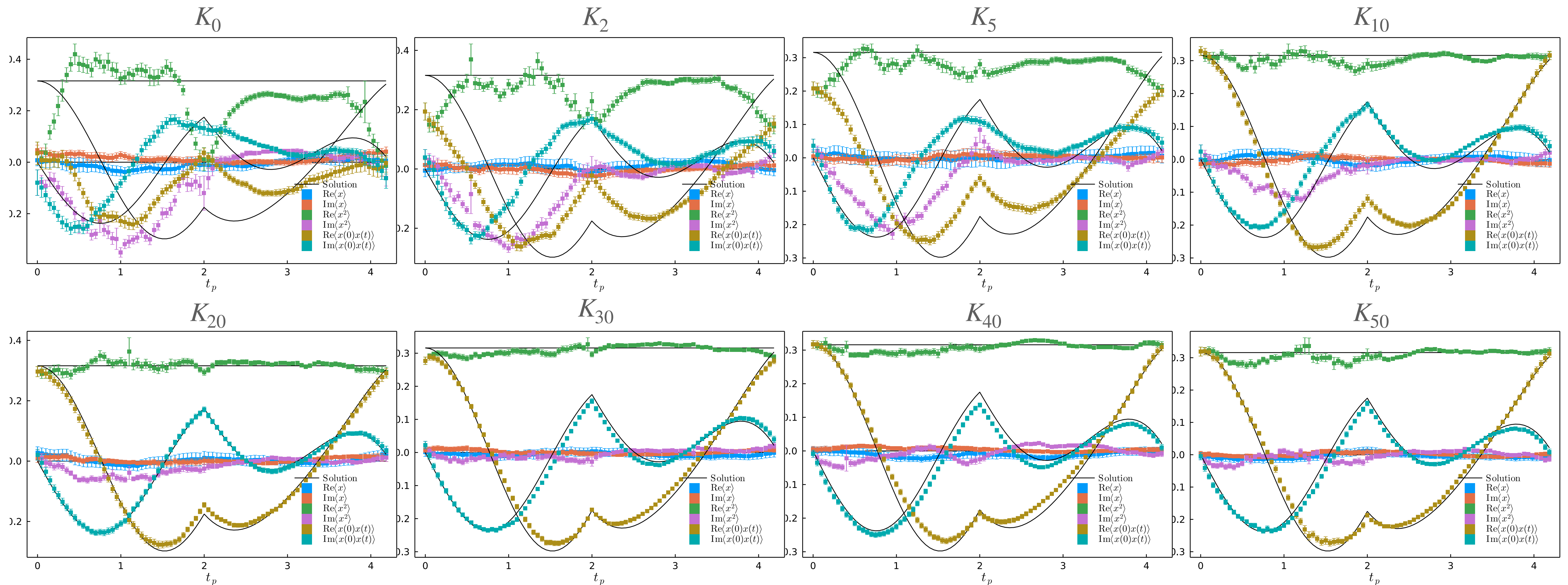
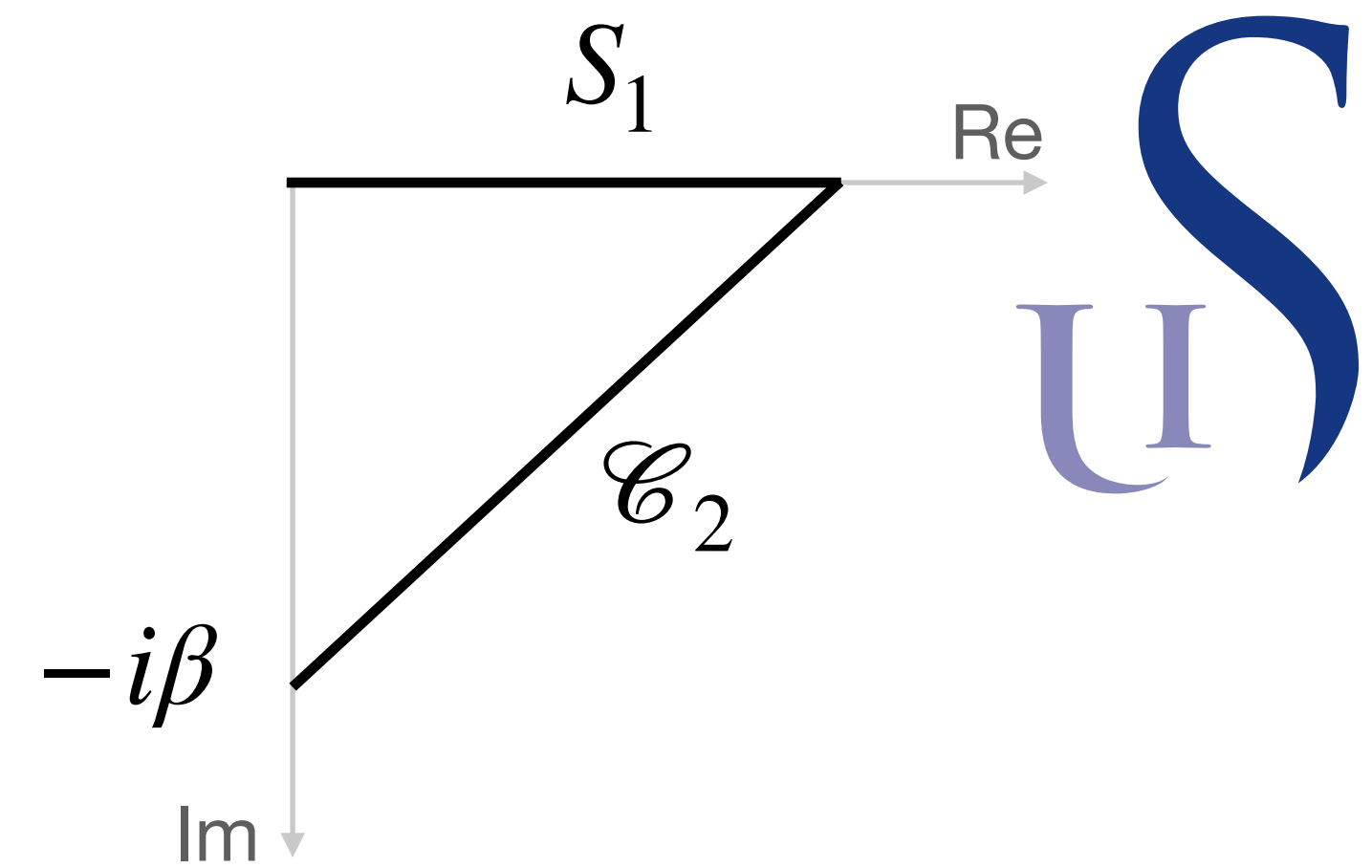
Summary and outlook



- Implicit scheme; Stabilise and regularise real-time CL
- Goal: extending real-time convergence CL
- Kernel controlled complex Langevin
 - No convergence problem for free scalar theory
 - Learning kernel in thermal ϕ^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

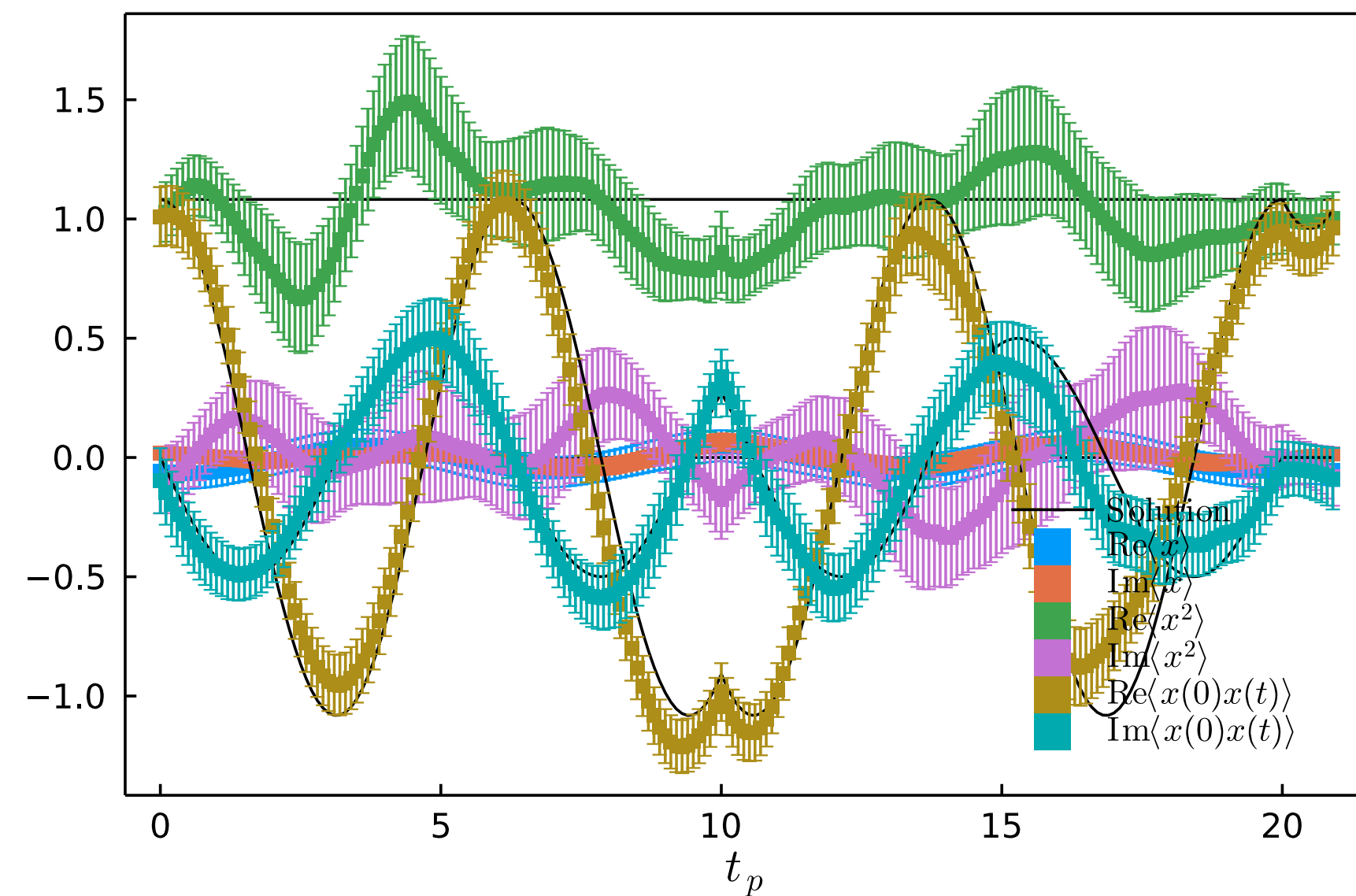
Tilted contour

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



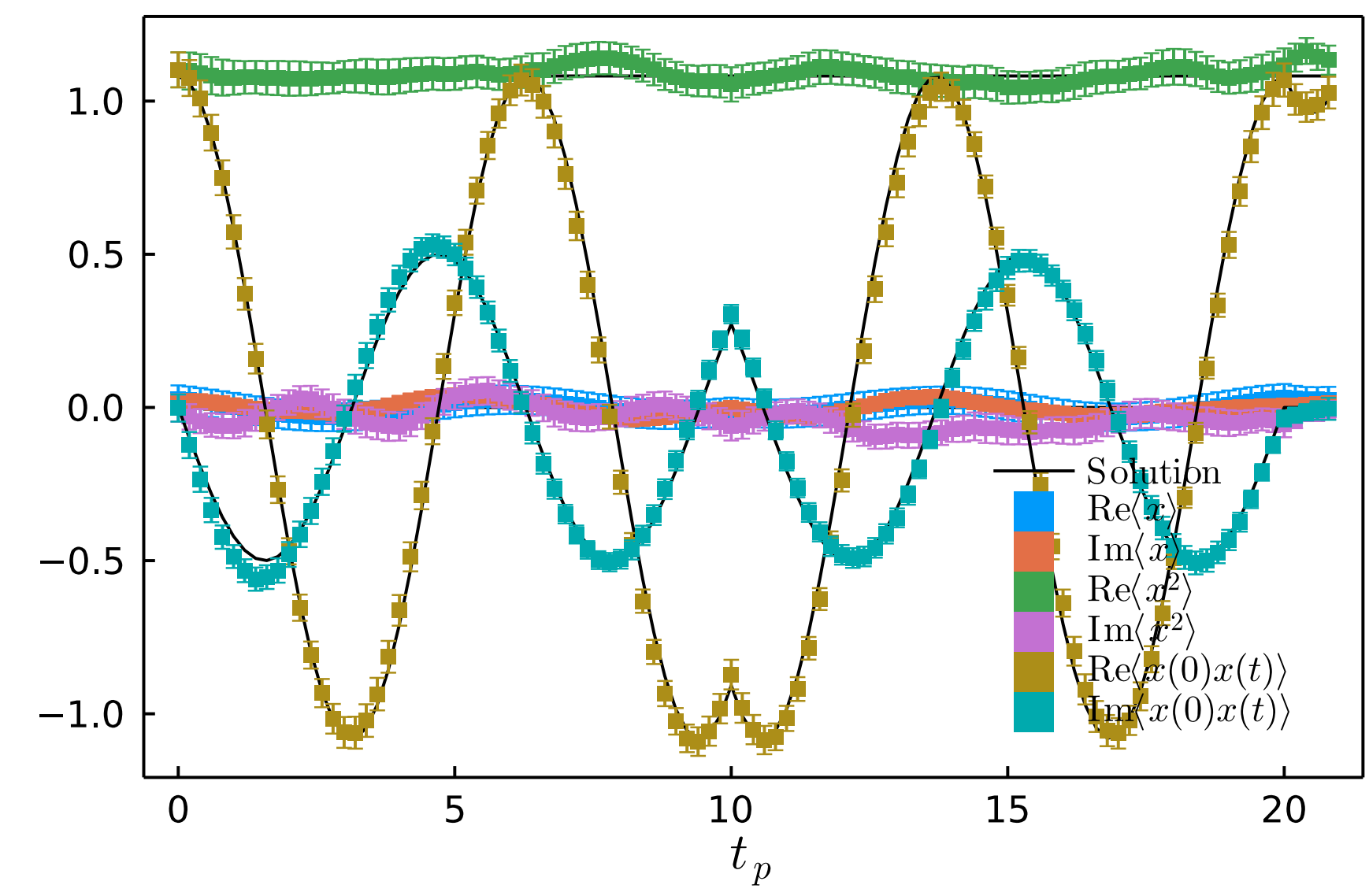
Learning free theory kernel

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



Optimising L_D using
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30 iterations



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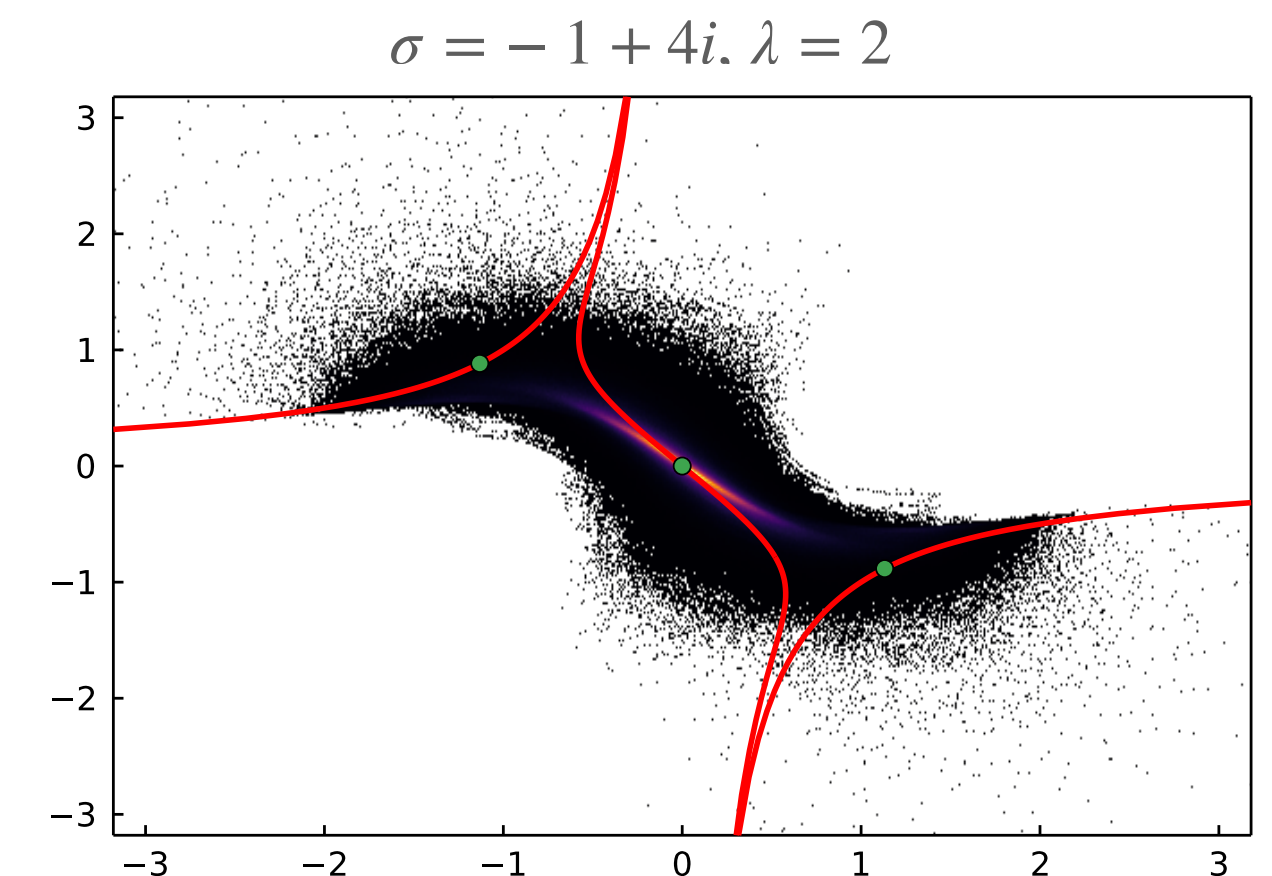
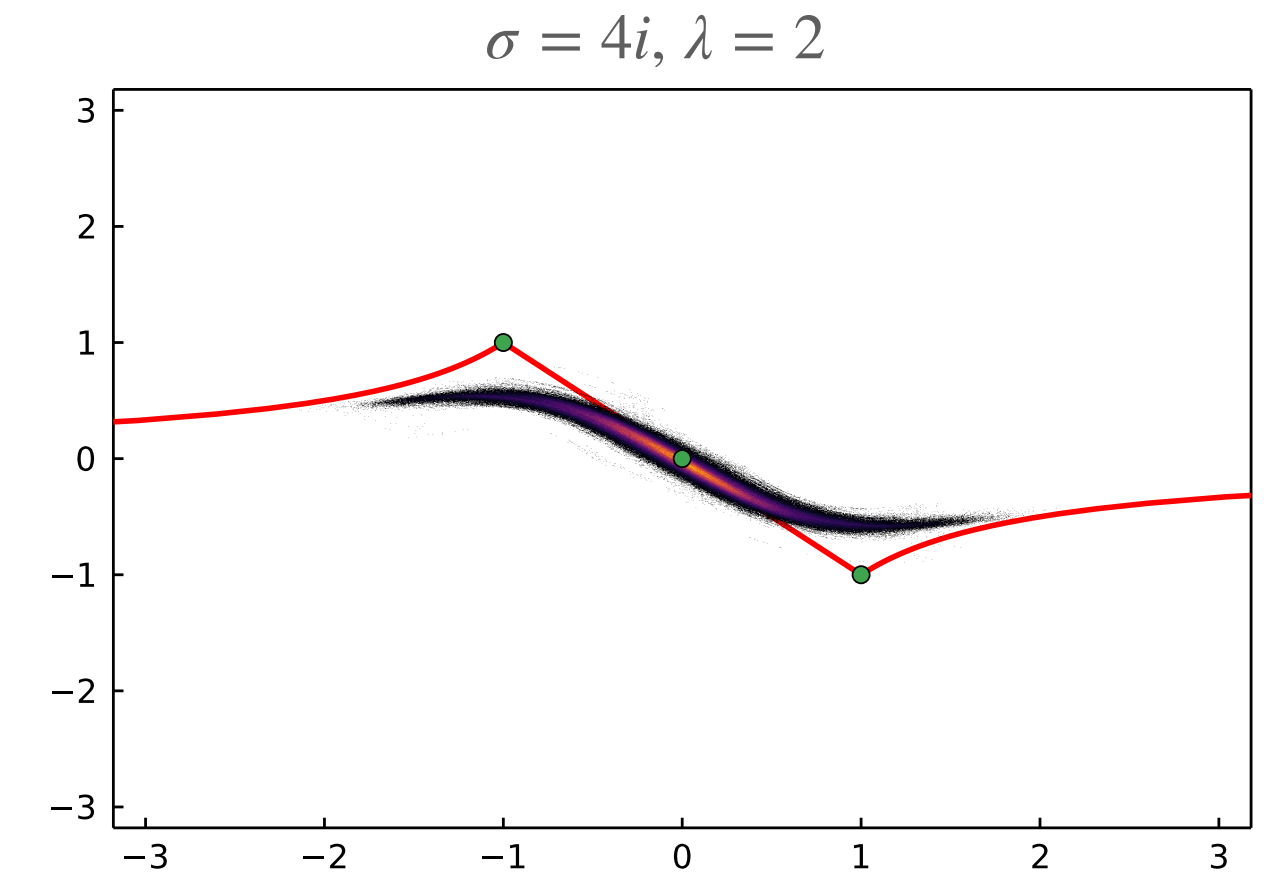
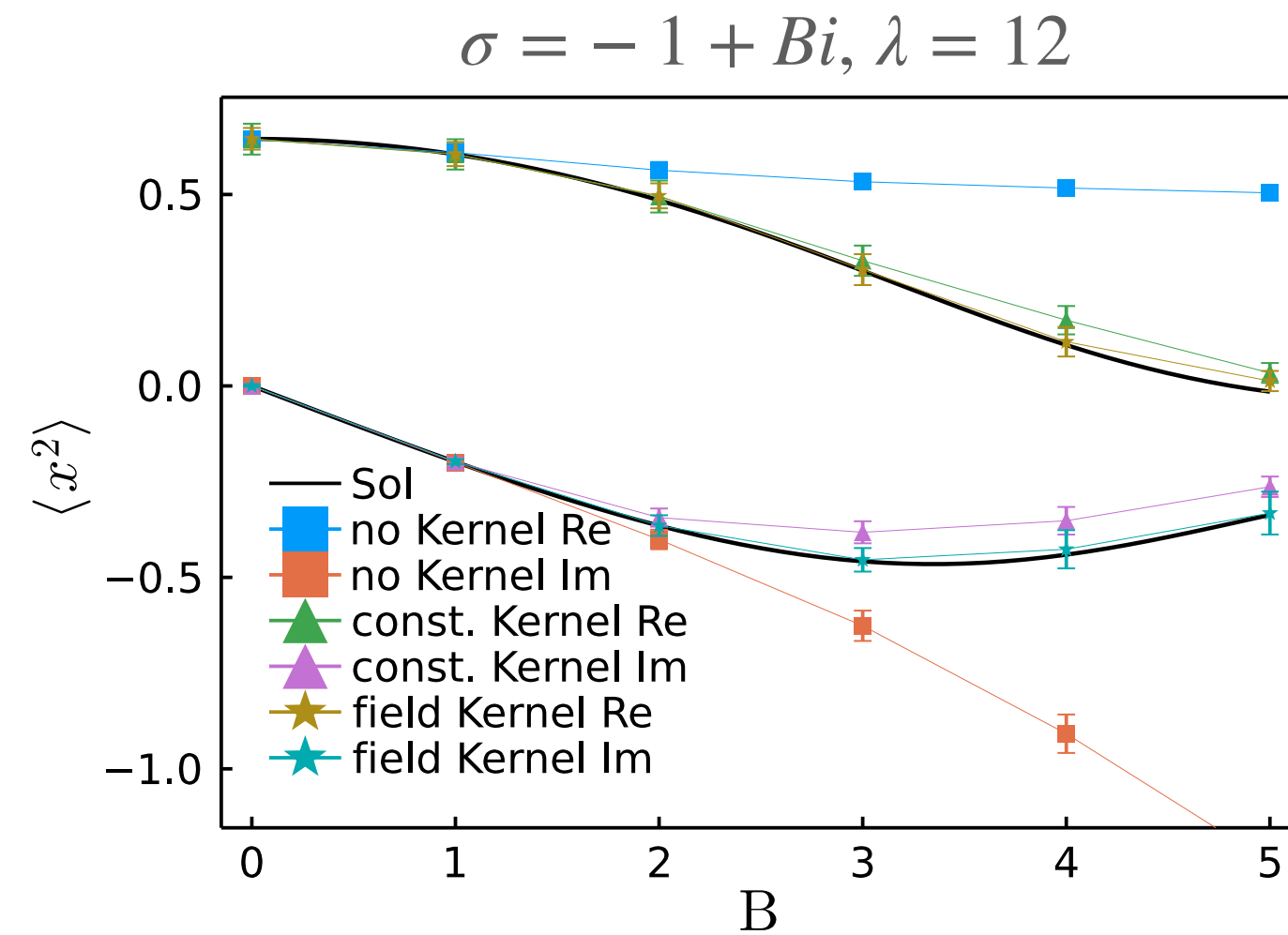


- Need to add extra derivative term

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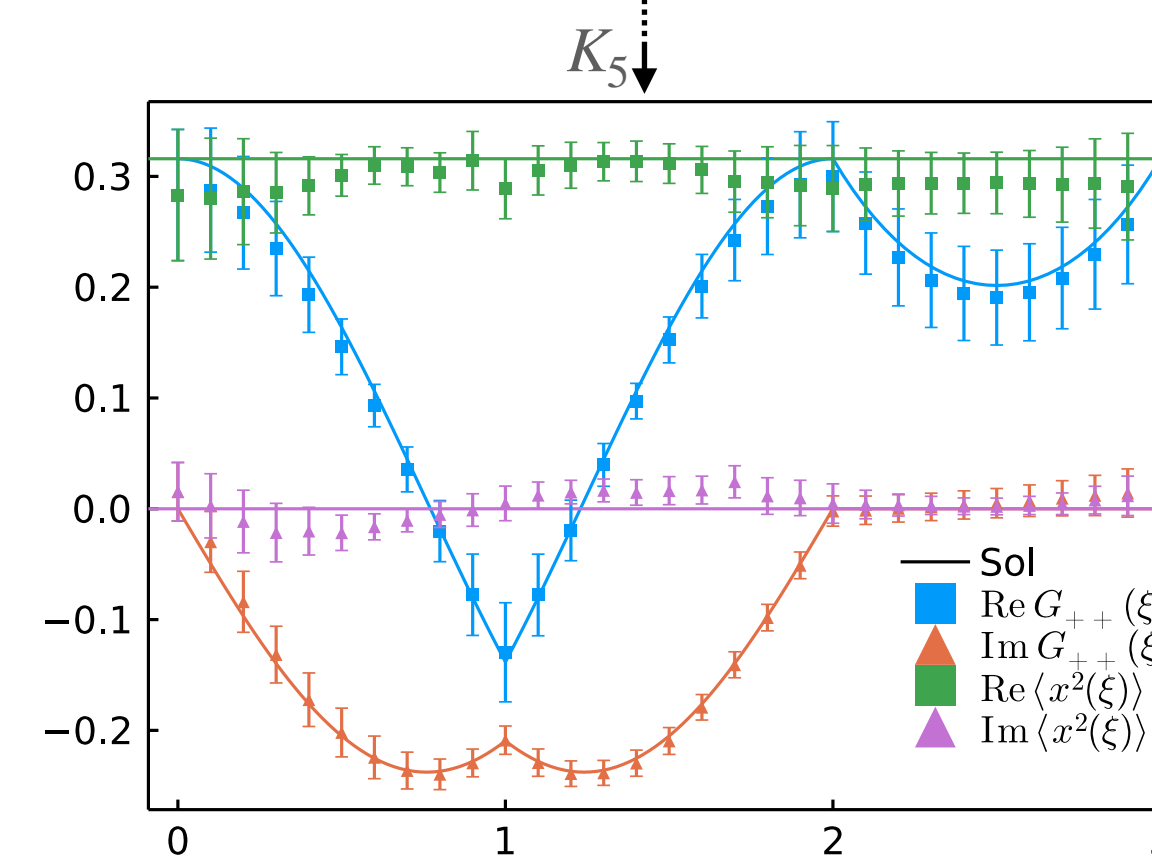
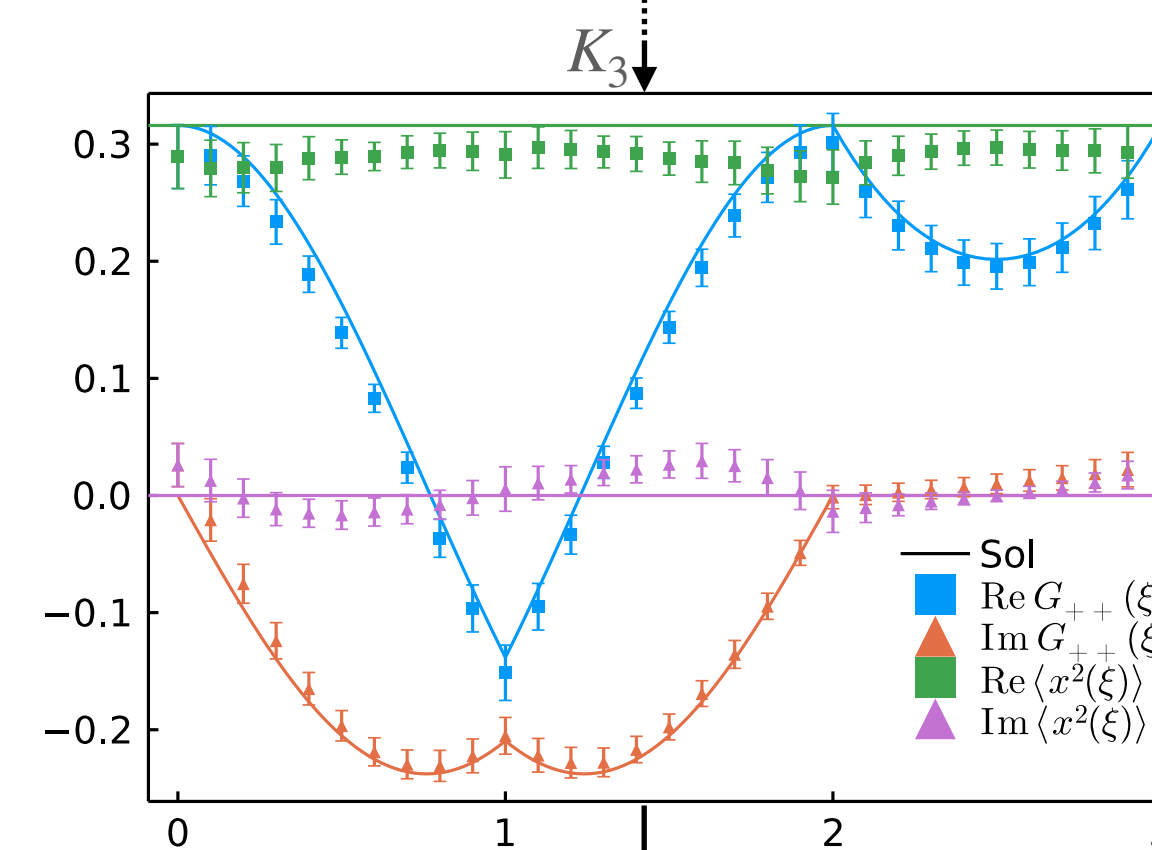
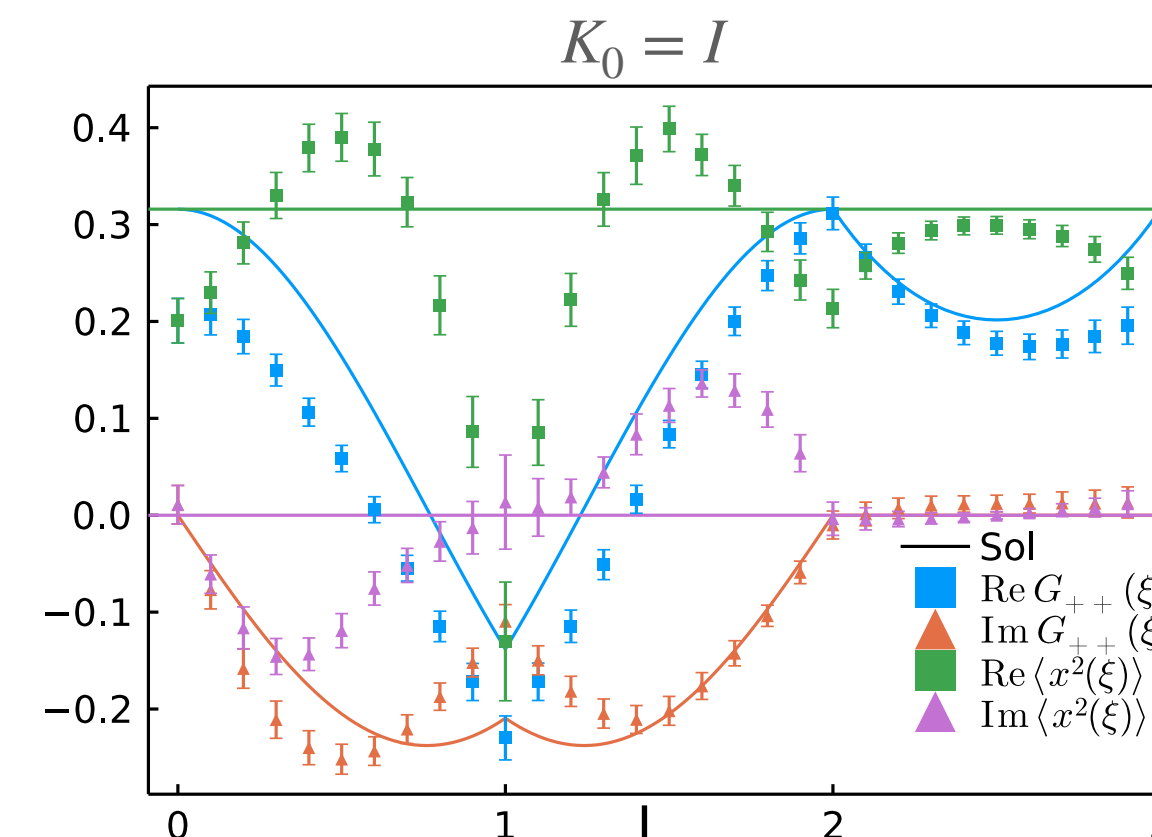
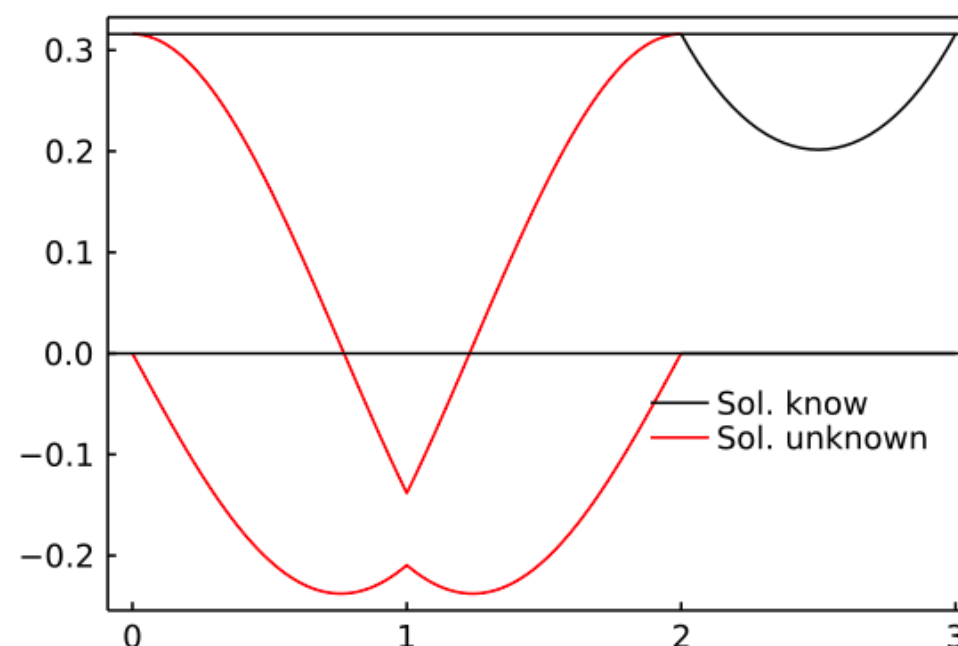
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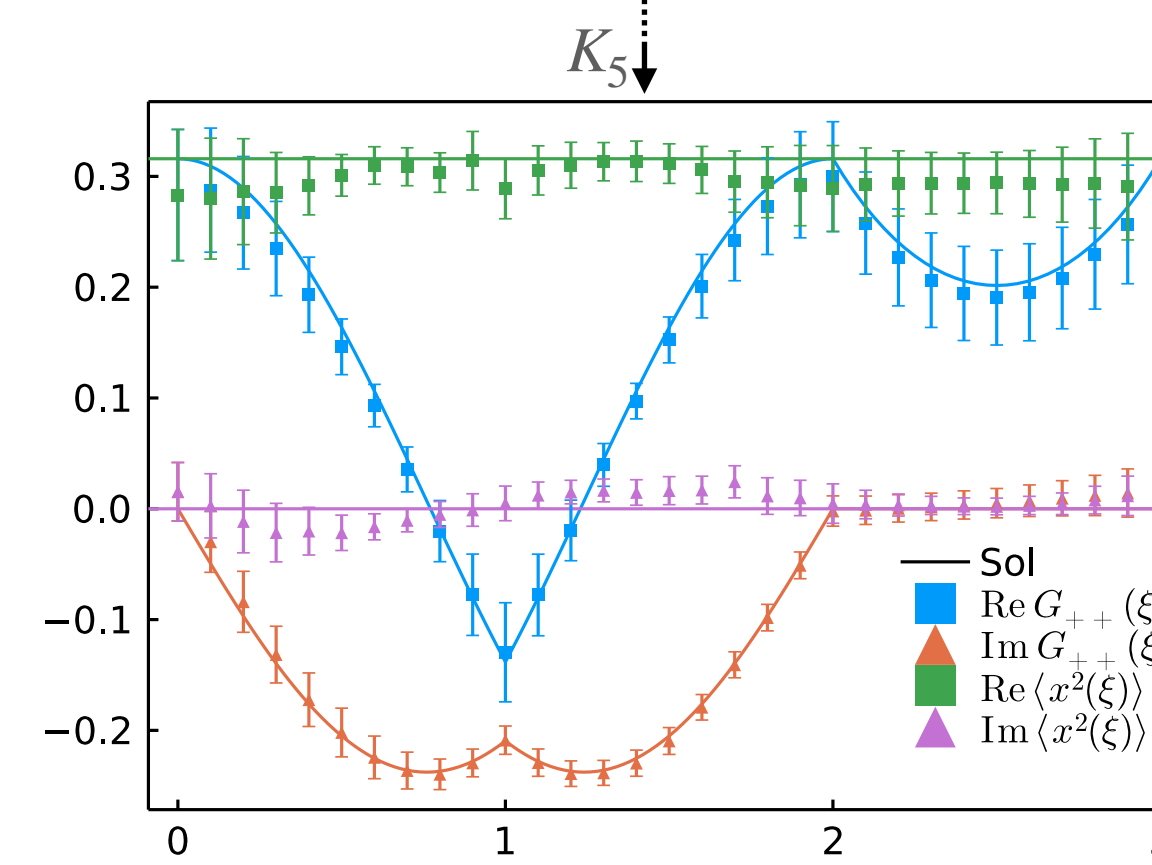
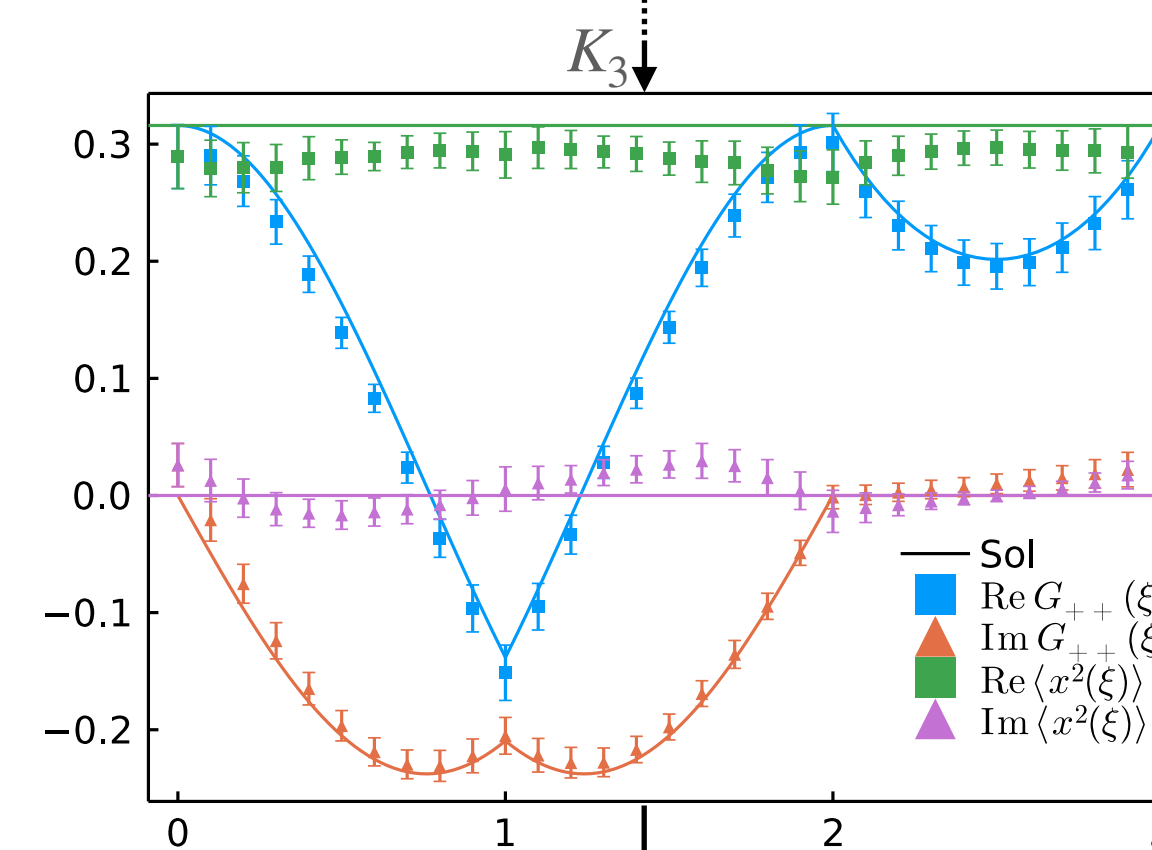
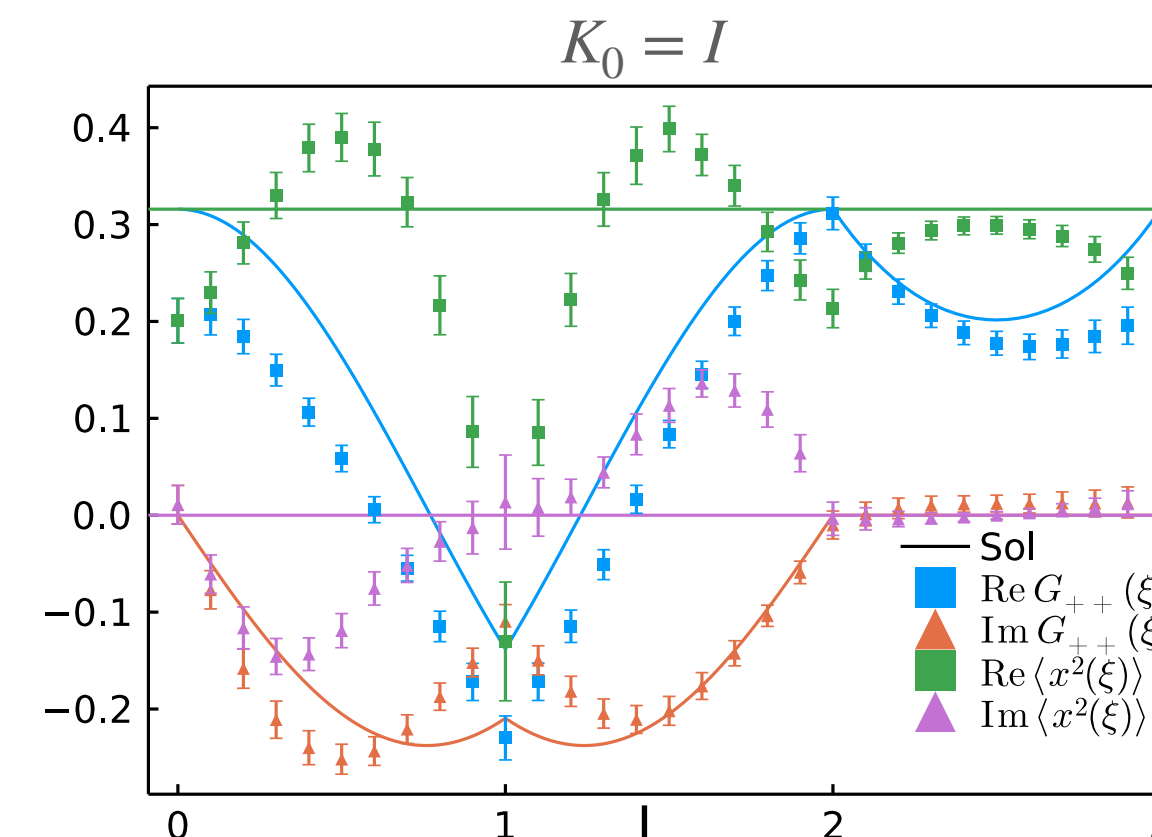
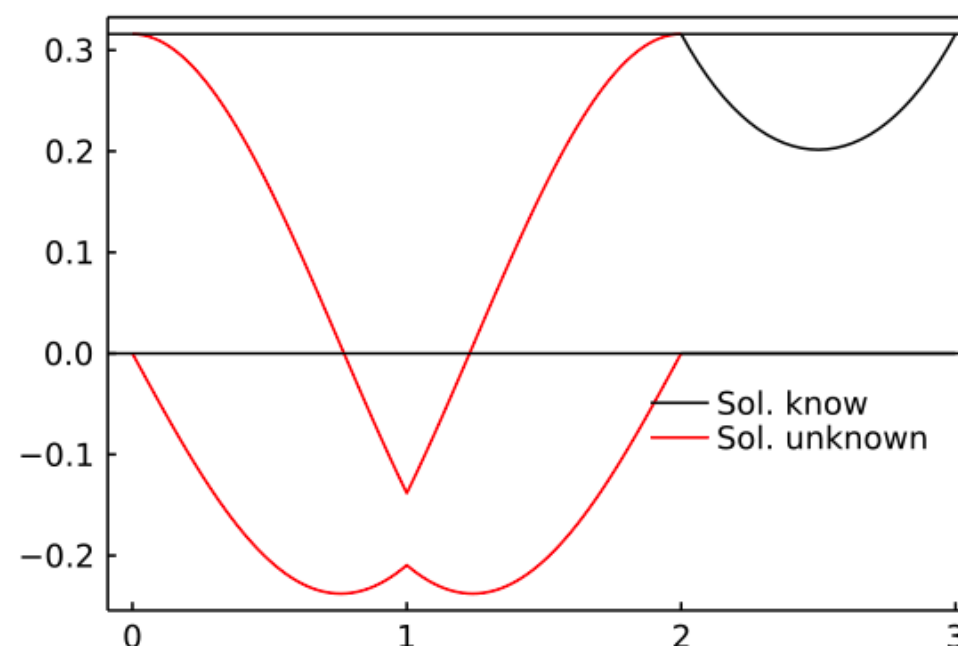
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More info about simple model results



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