

# Numerical methods in (non-hyperbolic) chaos

Part 4: Koopman and transfer operator  
discretisations II

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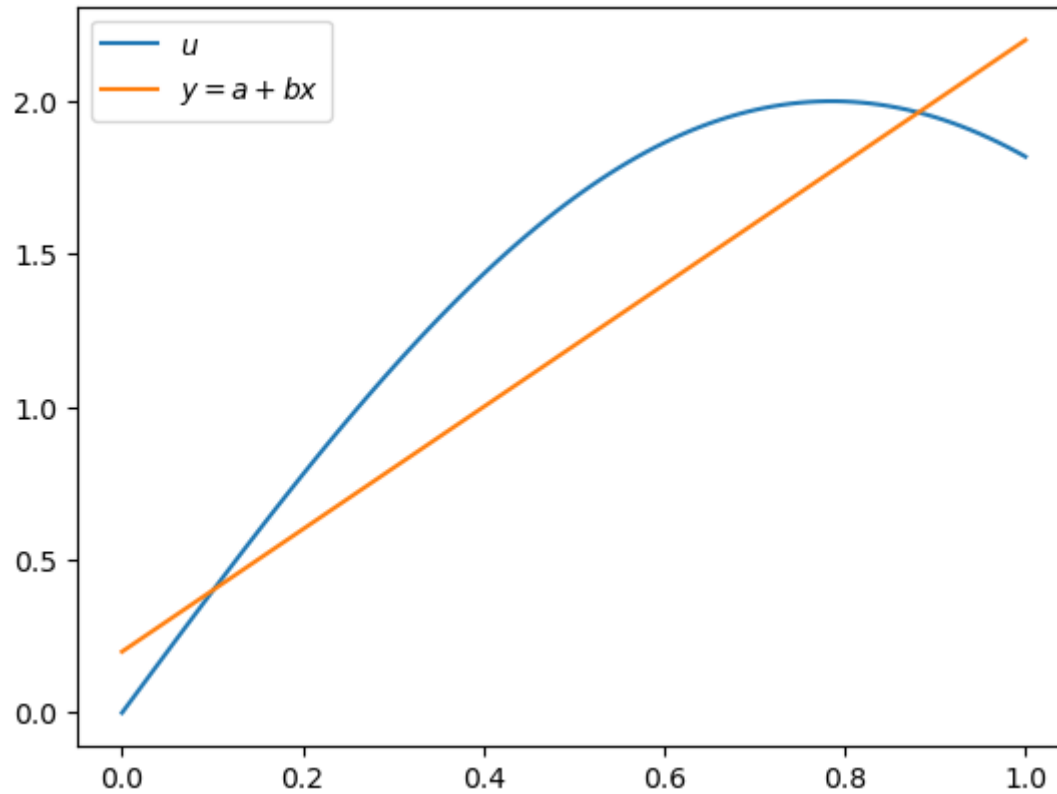
**Yesterday:** Galerkin approximation is a common means of approximation. It is just fancy least squares.

A very simple, classic example is trying to do a linear approximation:

In [2]:

```
u(x) = 2sin(2x)
a = 0.2; b = 2

plot(0:0.01:1,u.(0:0.01:1),label="\$u\$")
plot([0,1],a .+ b*[0,1],c="C1",label="\$ y = a + bx\$")
legend();
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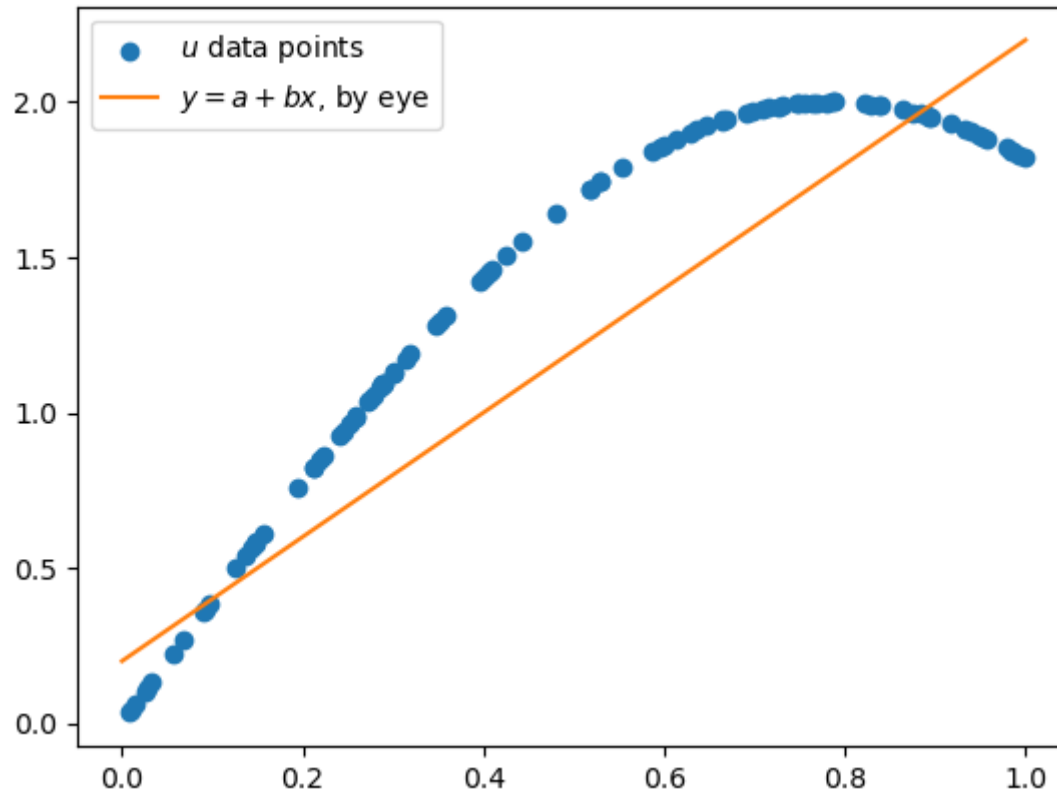


On a computer (or from data) though, we might only have a finite number of points  $\{x_n\}_{n=1,\dots,N}$  with which to do this:

In [3]:

```
x = rand(100)
ux = u.(x)

scatter(x,ux,label="\$u\$ data points")
plot([0,1],a .+ b*[0,1],c="C1",label="\$ y = a + bx\$ , by eye")
legend();
```



How to best choose parameters  $a, b$ ? Maybe try to minimise the mean squared error:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (u(x_n) - (a + bx_n))^2$$

If we write

$$\Psi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

you may remember from statistics that the best choice of  $a, b$  are

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = (\Psi_0^* \Psi_0)^{-1} \Psi_0^* \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$$

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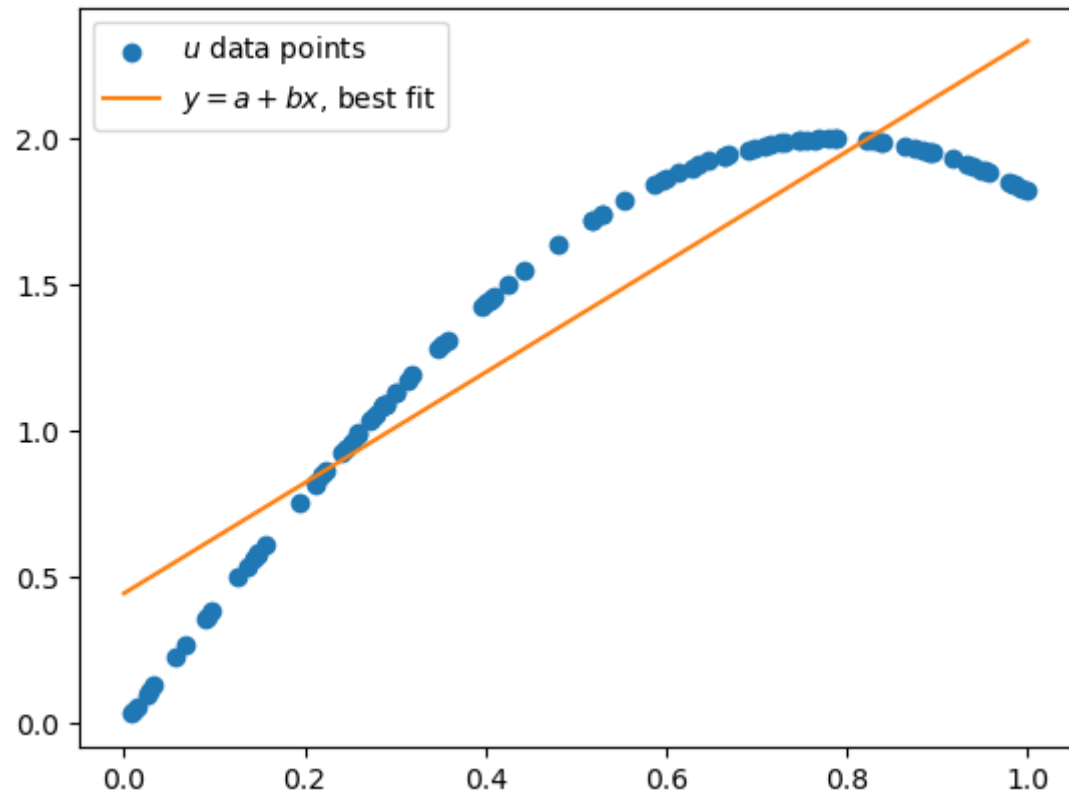
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Psi0 = [ones(100) x]
ab_vector = (Psi0' * Psi0) \ Psi0' * ux
a,b = ab_vector[1], ab_vector[2]
```

Out[4]:

```
(0.4451948291899738, 1.8887215843244562)
```

In [5]:

```
scatter(x,ux,label="\u$ data points")
plot([0,1],ab_vector[1] .+ ab_vector[2]*[0,1],c="C1",label="\$ y = a + bx\$, best fit")
legend();
```





Let's now imagine  $u$  is some linear transformation of a function in our dictionary  $\{1, x\}$ :

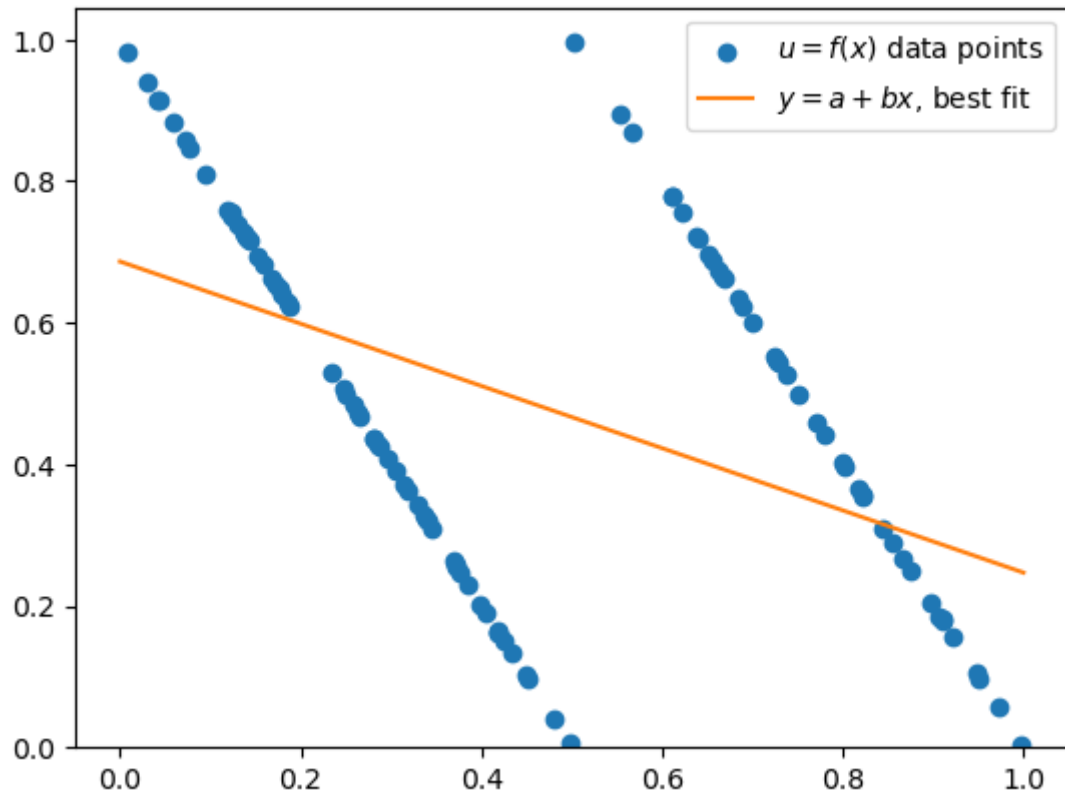
$$u = \alpha + \beta f(x)$$

In [6]:

```
alpha = 1; beta = -1;
f(x) = mod(2x,1)
x = rand(100)
ux = alpha .+ beta*f.(x)
scatter(x,ux,label="\$u = f(x)\$ data points")

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legend(); ylim(ymin=0)
```



Out[6]:

(0.0, 1.045342796476386)

We could write

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This series of  $\Psi$ 's is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix encoding the action of composition by  $f$  (i.e. the Koopman operator of the doubling map), approximated in this basis  $\{1, x\}$

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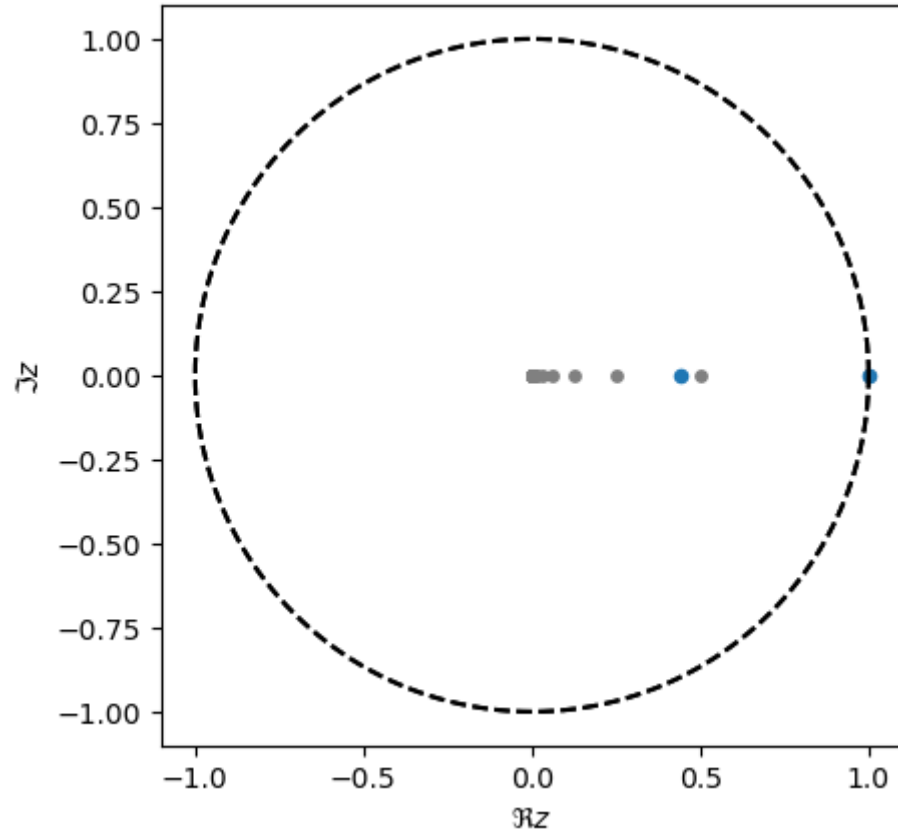
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Psi1 = [ones(100) f.(x)]  
Koop = (Psi0' * Psi0) \ (Psi0' * Psi1)
```

Out[7]:

2x2 Matrix{Float64}:

In [8]:

```
using LinearAlgebra
spectrumpoint(0.5.^(0:100),s=15,c="grey")
spectrumpoint(eigvals(Koop),s=20);
```



The second eigenvalue is accurately captured!

With these linear functions  $\{1, x\}$  we are doing **Dynamical Mode Decomposition**.

For many high-dimensional systems, it works reasonably well.

In our case, it works because  $\{1, x\}$  is a closed subspace of the Koopman operator's  $L^2(dx)$  adjoint transfer operator.

**Exercise:** show this.

More generally, we will use a different "dictionary" of functions  $\{\psi_k\}$ :

$$\Psi_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(x_1) & \psi_2(x_1) & \cdots & \psi_K(x_1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \psi_1(x_N) & \psi_2(x_N) & \cdots & \psi_K(x_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

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and apply the same ideas.

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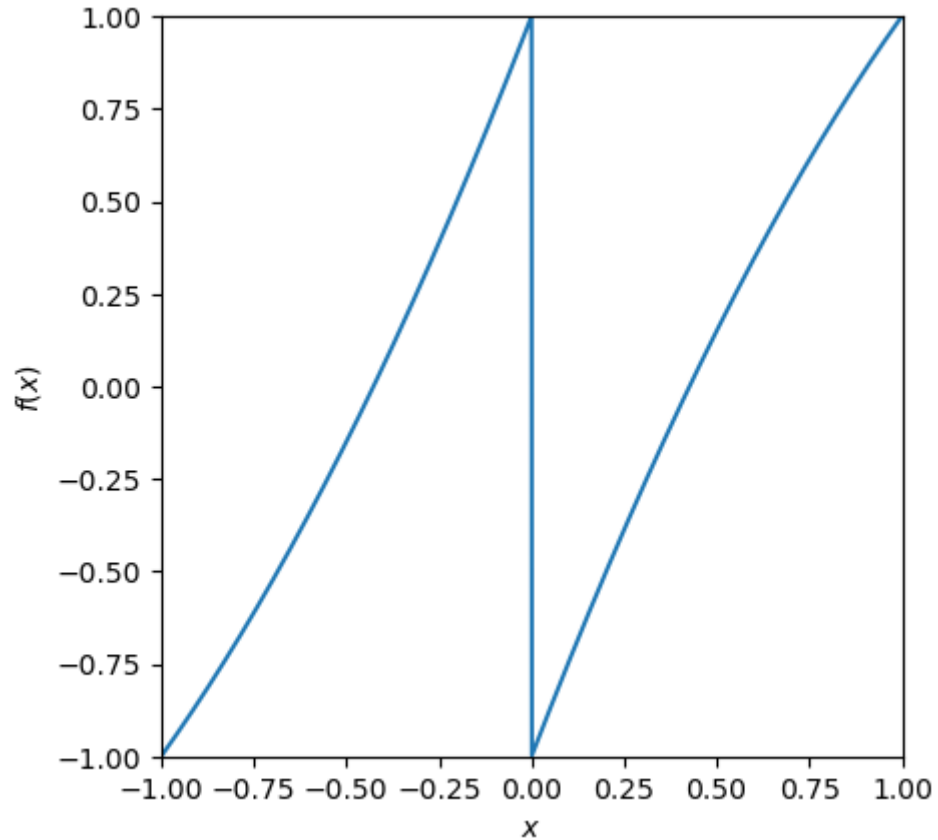
Often these special methods have some nice structure that makes things algorithmically, e.g.  $\Psi_0^* \Psi_0$  is diagonal, or  $\Psi_1^* \Psi_0$  is sparse, or...

Example: Ulam's method

Let's use the map from yesterday:

In [28]:

```
f(x) = (x>0 ? 2x-1 : 2x+1)+0.6(x*(1-abs(x)))  
plot(-1:0.001:1,f.(-1:0.001:1));  
xlim(-1,1);ylim(-1,1);xlabel("\$x\$");ylabel("\$f(x)\$")  
gca().set_aspect("equal")
```



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```
K = 50 # number of basis functions
P = collect(range(-1,1,length=K+1)) # our Ulam partition
println(P)
```

```
[-1.0, -0.96, -0.92, -0.88, -0.84, -0.8, -0.76, -0.72,
-0.68, -0.64, -0.6, -0.56, -0.52, -0.48, -0.44, -0.4, -
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In [37]:

```
N = 105
x = range(-1,1,length=N) #evenly spaced on [-1,1]
Psi0 = [P[j]<=x[n]<P[j+1] for n = 1:N, j = 1:K]
Psi1 = [P[j]<=f(x[n])<P[j+1] for n = 1:N, j=1:K]

Psi0' * Psi0
```

Out[37]:

```
50×50 Matrix{Int64}:
 2000      0      0      0      0      0  ...      0      0
 0         0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
      0  2000      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
 0         0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
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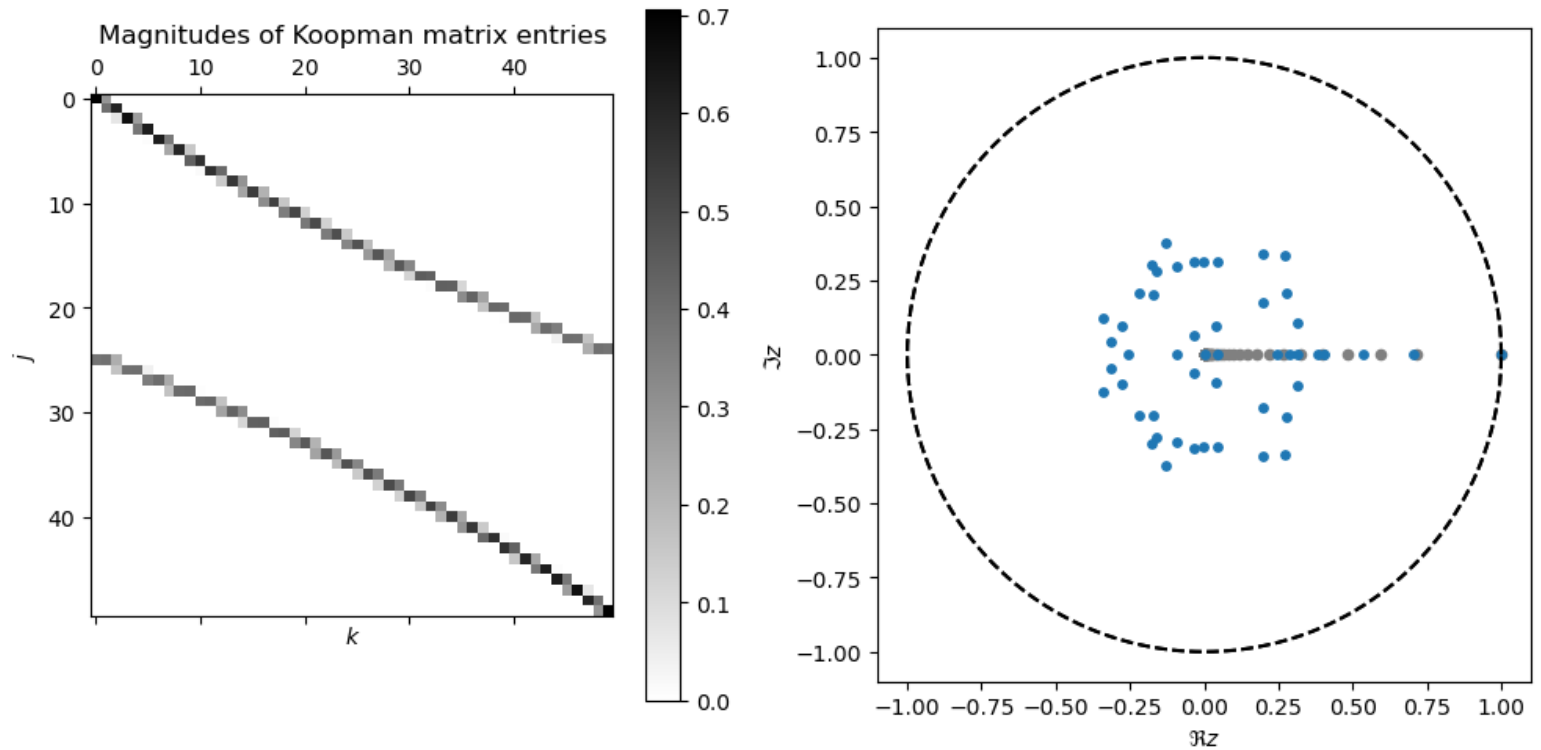




0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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In [32]:

```
Koop = Psi0 \ Psi1
figure(figsize=(10,5));
ax1 = subplot(121)
colorbar(ax1.matshow(Koop,cmap="binary"),ax=ax1)
title("Magnitudes of Koopman matrix entries")
xlabel("\$k\$");ylabel("\$j\$")
subplot(122)
spectrumpplot(true_eigs,c="grey",s=20) # true eigenvalues
spectrumpplot(eigvals(Koop),s=15);
tight_layout()
```



Recall that the Koopman is the adjoint of the transfer operator.

We can often also approximate the action of the transfer operator as

$$(\Psi_0^* \Psi_0)^{-1} (\Psi_1^* \Psi_0).$$

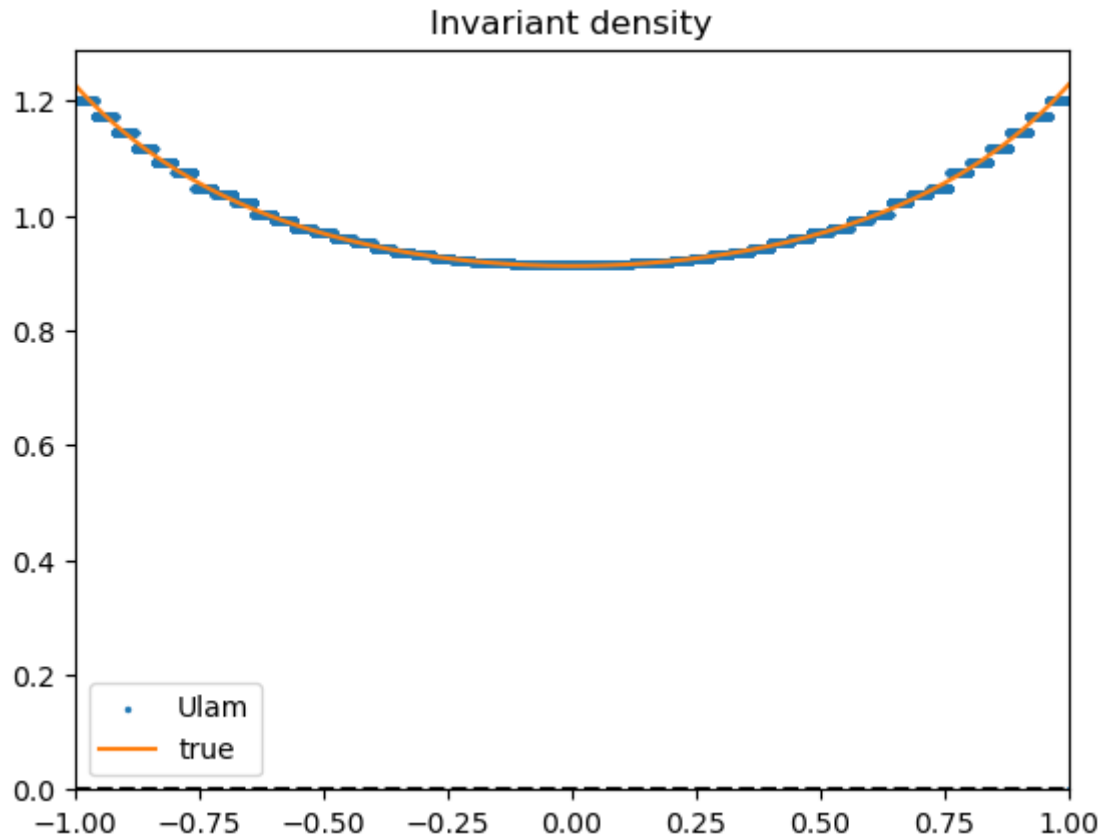
Idea here is that we take the transpose of the usual  $\Psi_0^* \Psi_1$ , but need  $(\Psi_0^* \Psi_0)^{-1}$  in the same place to re-orthogonalise the basis.

In [33]:

```
Transf = (Psi0'*Psi0) \ (Psi1' * Psi0);
```

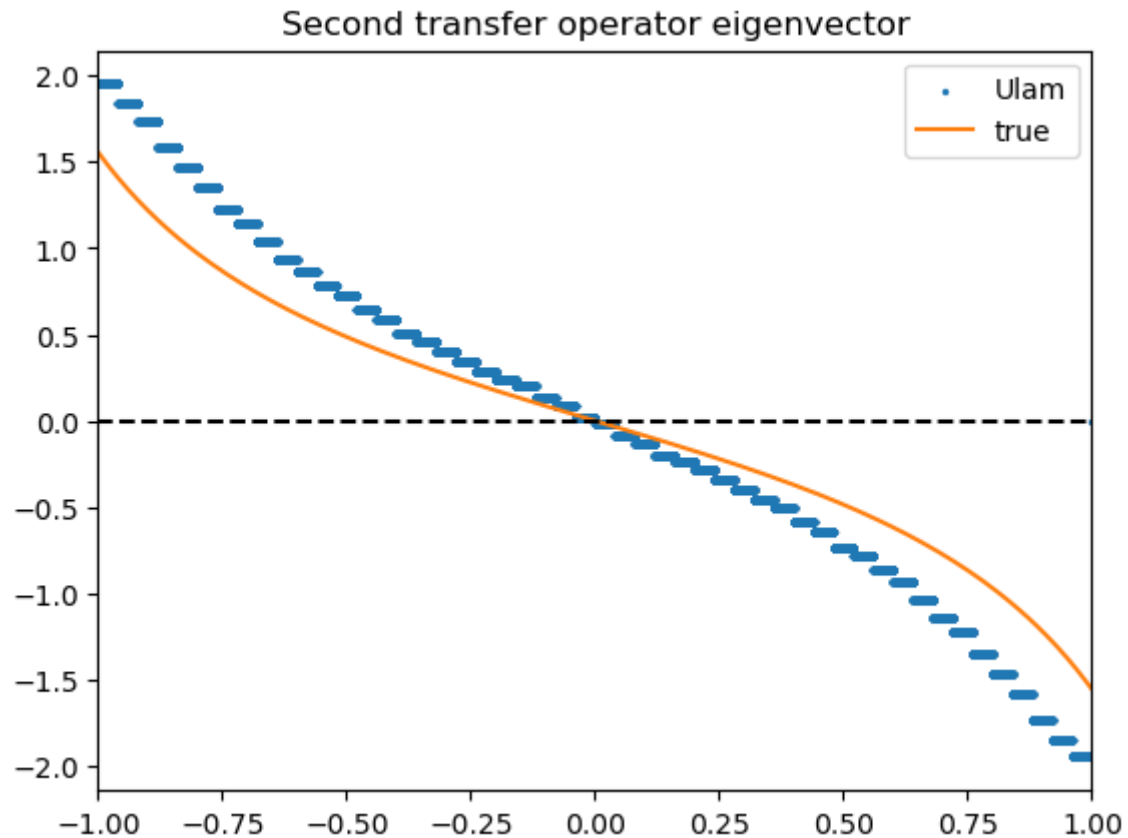
In [15]:

```
physmeas_estimate = real(eigvecs(Transf)[: ,end]);  
physmeas_estimate /= mean(Psi0*physmeas_estimate) # normalise to mean 1  
scatter(x, Psi0*physmeas_estimate, label="Ulam", s=2)  
plot(-1:0.01:1, true_ev1, (-1:0.01:1), label="true", c="C1") # true physical measure I prepared earlier  
plot([-1,1],[0,0], "k--"); xlim(-1,1); ylim(ymin=0);  
legend()  
title("Invariant density");
```



In [38]:

```
transfer_eig2 = real(eigvecs(Transf)[: ,end-1]);
transfer_eig2 /= -sqrt(mean((Psi0*transfer_eig2).^2)) # normalise to l2 norm 1
scatter(x,Psi0*transfer_eig2,label="Ulam",s=2)
plot(-1:0.01:1,true_ev2.(-1:0.01:1),label="true",c="C1") # true transfer operator eigenvector I prepared earlier
plot([-1,1],[0,0],"k--");xlim(-1,1);
legend();
title("Second transfer operator eigenvector");
```

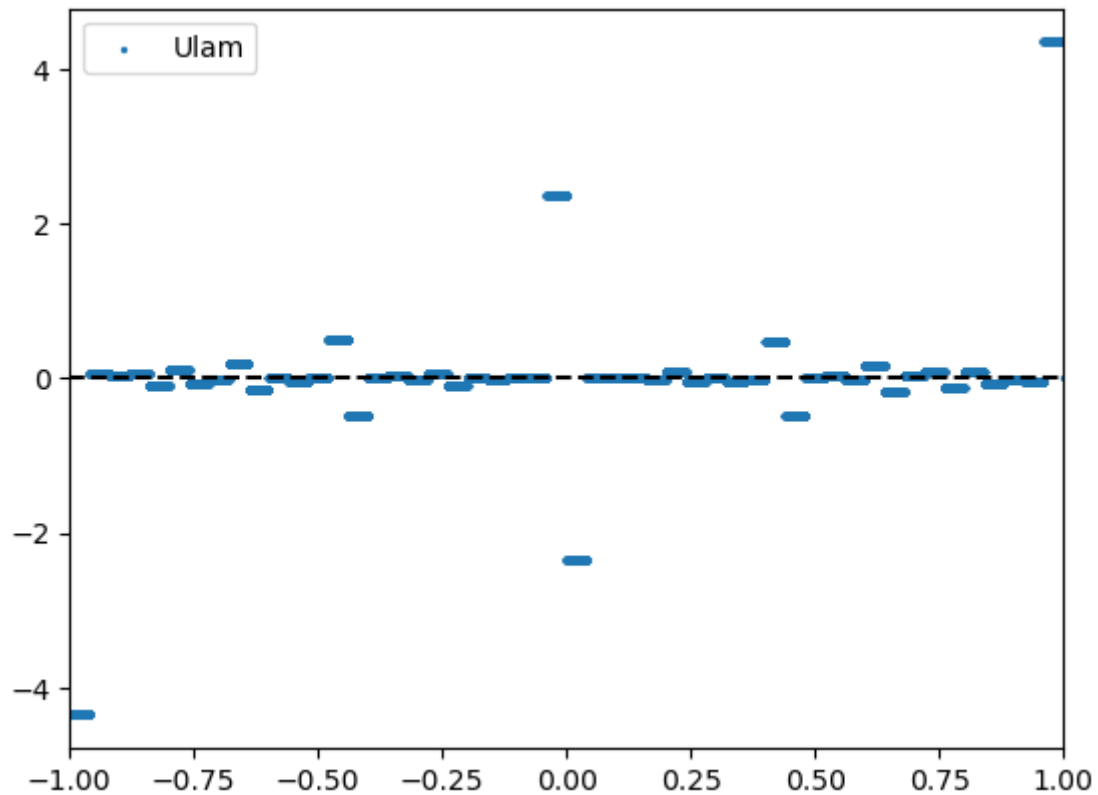


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transfer_eig2 /= sqrt(mean((Psi0*transfer_eig2).^2)) # normalise to l2 norm 1  
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# Convergence rates

We have two parameters to work with:

- The number of basis functions  $K$
- The number of points  $N$ .

To study convergence, let's start by fixing  $K$  and taking  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

(This is because  $N \rightarrow \infty$  is a much easier question.)



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Entries are given by

$$G_{jk} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \psi_j(x_n) \psi_k(x_n)$$

$$H_{jk} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \psi_j(x_n) \psi_k(f(x_n))$$

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In particular, assuming the  $\psi_k$  are at least  $BV$ , we expect  $|H_{jk} - H_{jk}^\infty|$  to be:

- $\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{N})$  if  $\{x_n\}$  are randomly sampled
- $\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{N})$  if  $\{x_n\}$  is a chaotic time series from an exponentially mixing system.
- $\mathcal{O}(1/N)$  if  $x_n$  are evenly spaced with  $\mu = \text{Lebesgue}$
- Potentially much better for smooth  $\psi, f$  and very special choices of  $\{x_n\}, \mu, \dots$

So, we know that the entries of  $G, H$  converge to some limits  $G^\infty, H^\infty$ .

If the  $\psi_k$  are linearly independent on the support of  $\mu$ , then  $G^\infty$  is invertible.

So we expect our Koopman approximation

$$\text{Koop} = \underbrace{(\Psi_0^* \Psi_0)^{-1}}_{G^{-1}} \underbrace{(\Psi_0^* \Psi_1)}_H$$

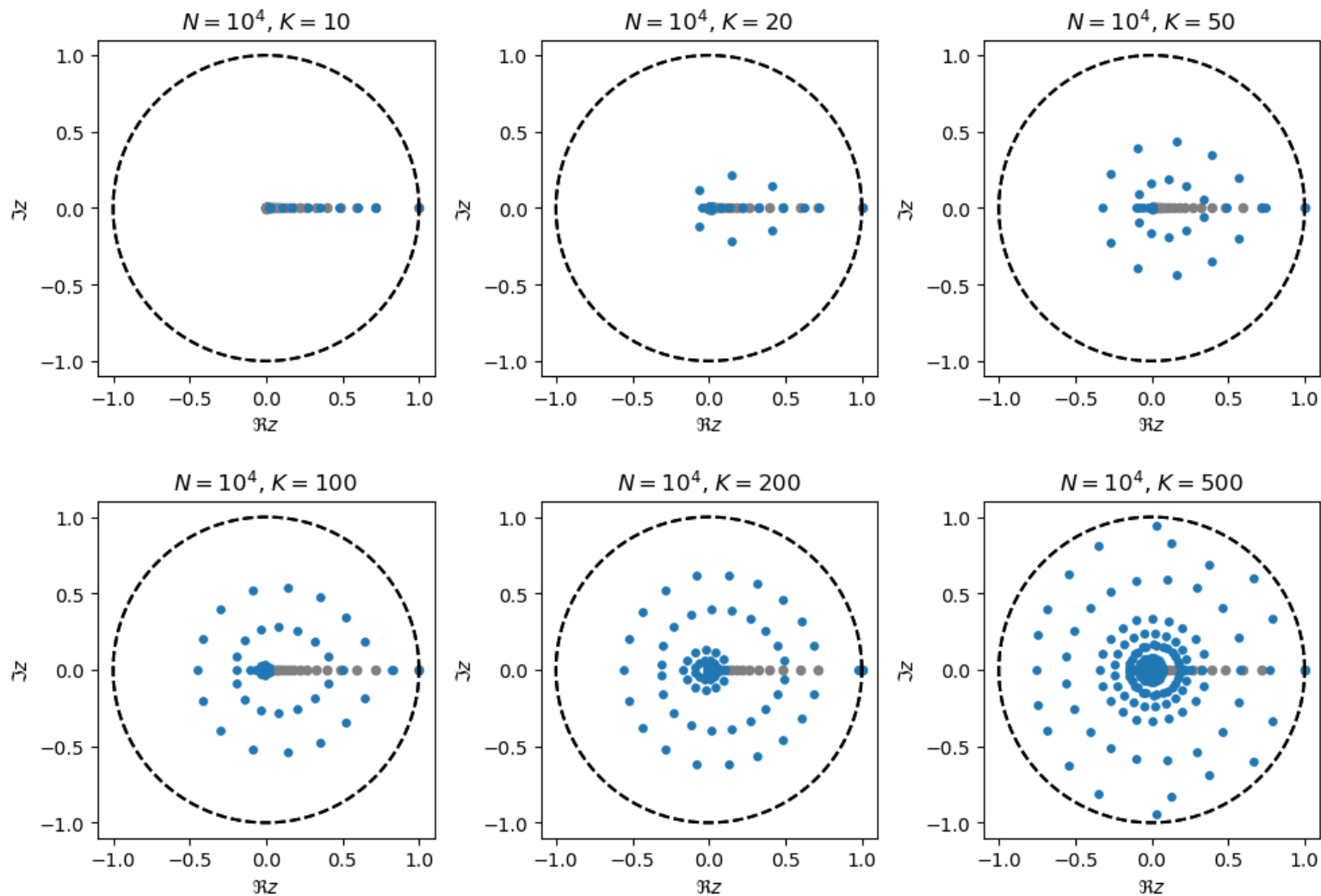
to converge to a continuum limit  $\text{Koop}_\infty$  as  $\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{N})$  etc. In what norm doesn't matter as it's finite dimensional.

However!! There is going to be some dependence on  $K$  here. For example, for randomly selected  $\{x_n\}$ :

In [20]:

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varyingKgraph_slides
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Out[20]:





Unproven fact (conjecture?): for chaotic dynamics and  $x_n$  randomly sampled, the error for some eigenvalue

$$|\lambda_{N,K} - \lambda_{\infty,K}| = \mathcal{O}(K^s / \sqrt{N})$$

with  $s$  increasing as  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ .

This is because to study smaller eigenvalues you need to approximate in  $C^r$  for larger  $r$ . This works badly with random sampling.

# Convergence in $K$

Let's consider what happens as we have taken  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , so our data points  $\{x_n\}$  become a continuum with measure  $\mu$ .

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So, we just have to understand the convergence of  $\mathcal{P}_K^\mu \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ .

Taking the  $L^2(\mu)$  adjoint, this is the same as  $\mathcal{L} \mathcal{P}_K^\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  in some suitable sense.

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Of course, this is the nicest possible setting and convergence will be a lot slower for anything not analytic, uniformly hyperbolic...

Thank you!

