



Koopman Operator Regression: Statistical Learning Perspective to Data-driven Dynamical System



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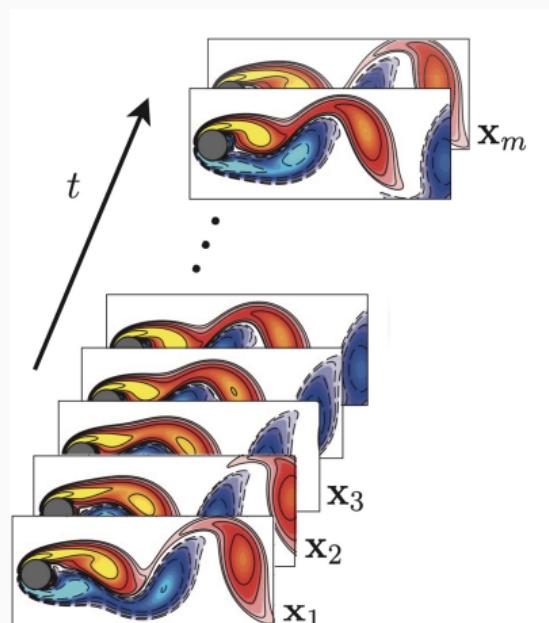
Plan

- Problem and Koopman operator approach
- Statistical learning formulation
- Numerical experiments
- Some Applications
- ERM and learning bounds
- Open problems

Problem & Our Approach

Problem

We wish to learn a **dynamical system** from data (trajectories) **in a form** that can:



- predict future states
- explain complex dynamics via recurring patterns
- interpret spacial and temporal relations of the states
- be used to control the dynamical process
- ...

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- Even when F is not linear, the mapping $f \mapsto \mathbb{E}[f(X_{t+1}) | X_t = x]$ is linear!

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- We can use **spectral theory**: if $\exists(\mu_i, g_i, f_i) \in \mathbb{C} \times \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F}$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t.

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then the **Koopman Mode Decomposition** of $f \in \text{span}\{f_1, f_2, \dots\}$:

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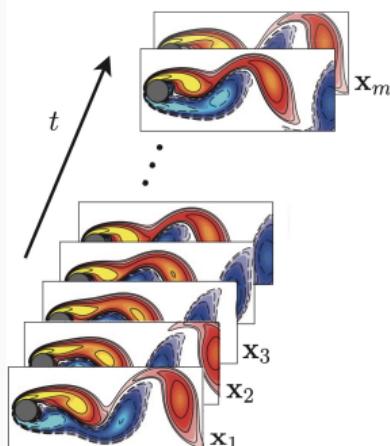
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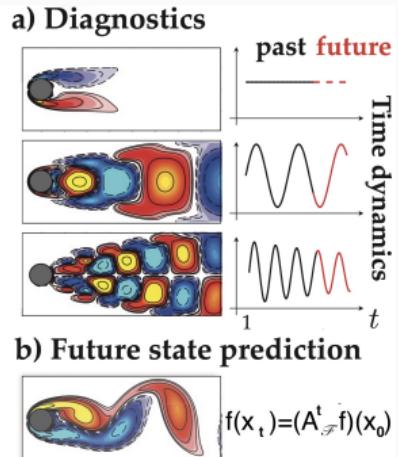
- Time oscillations λ_i^t with amplitudes $|\lambda_i|^t$ and frequencies $e^{i\text{Arg}(\lambda_i)t}$, i.e.

$$\frac{\Im(\ln \lambda_i)}{2\pi\Delta t}$$

- Static modes $\langle f, \bar{\xi}_i \rangle$ of observable f
- Terms $\psi_i(x)$ depending only on the initial condition

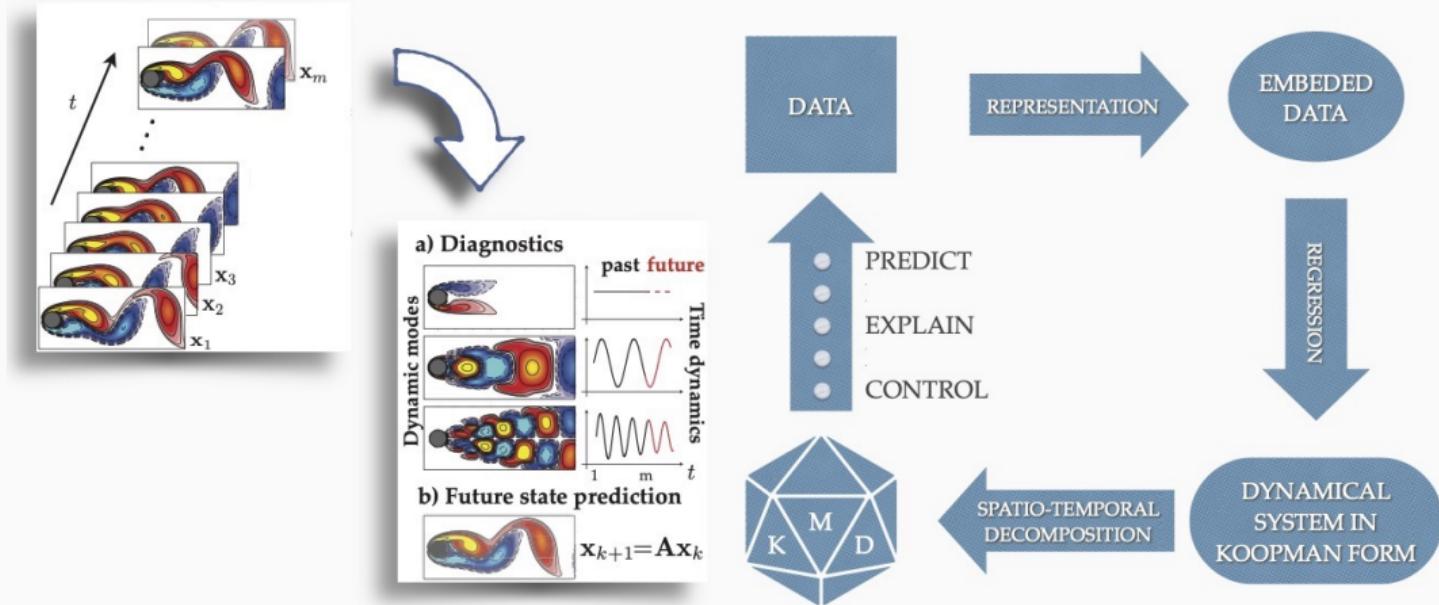


(Picture from [Kutz et al. 2016])



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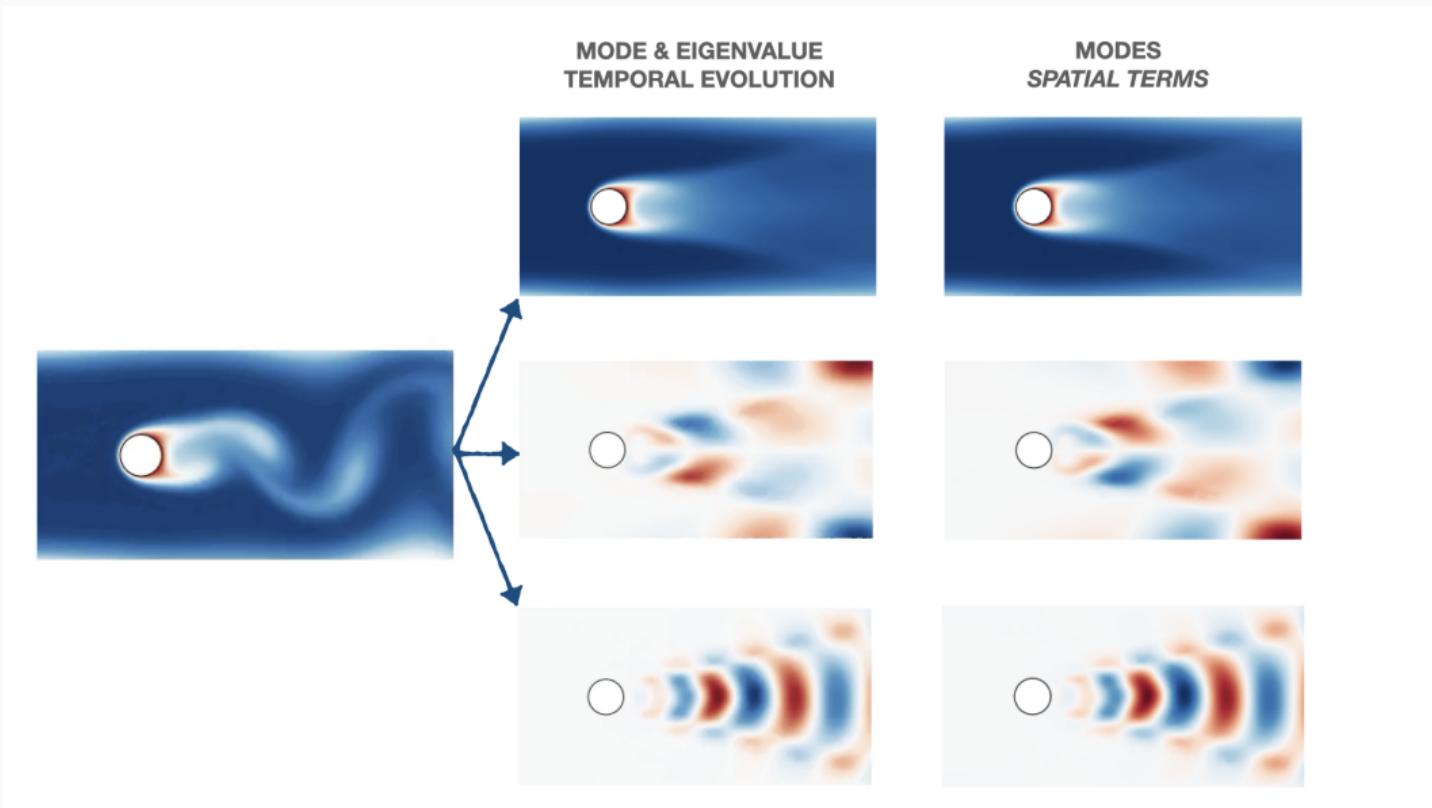
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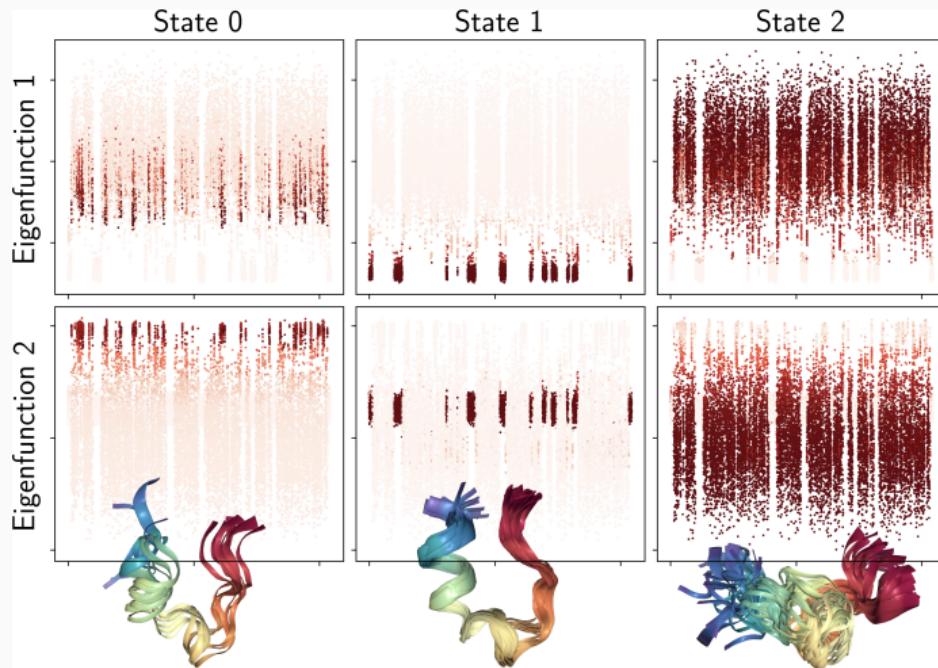
KOR GitHub page [kooplearn](#) SciKit Learn compliant & KeOps implementations

kooplearn in action...



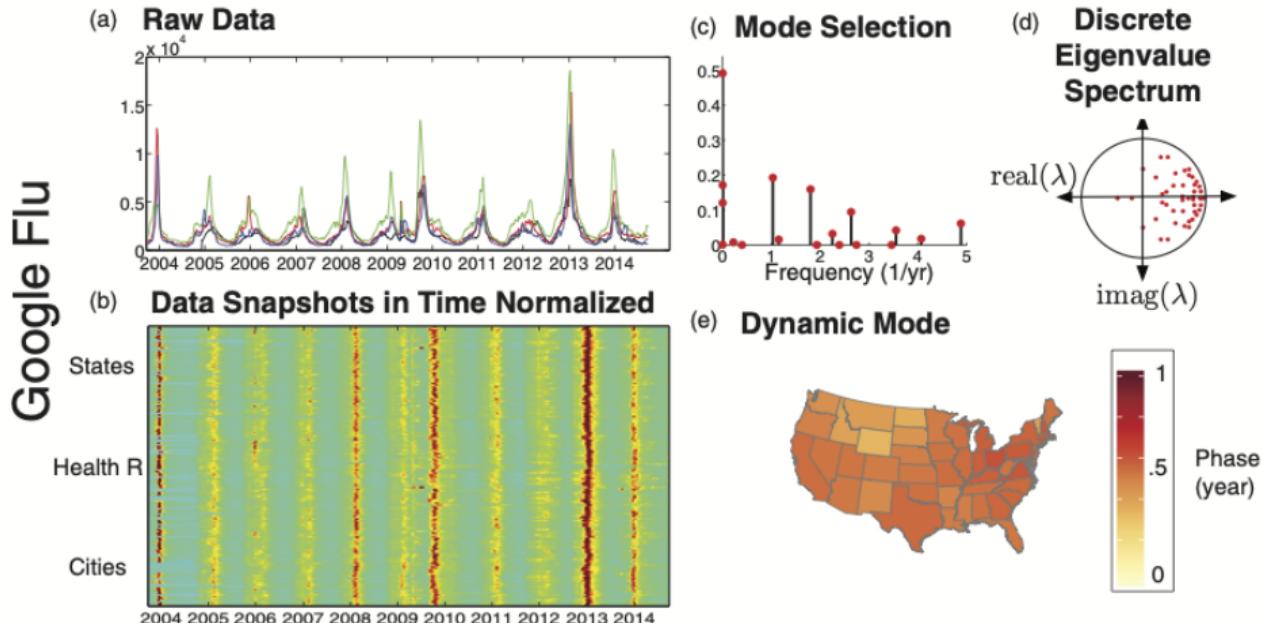
Some interesting applications

Molecular Dynamics



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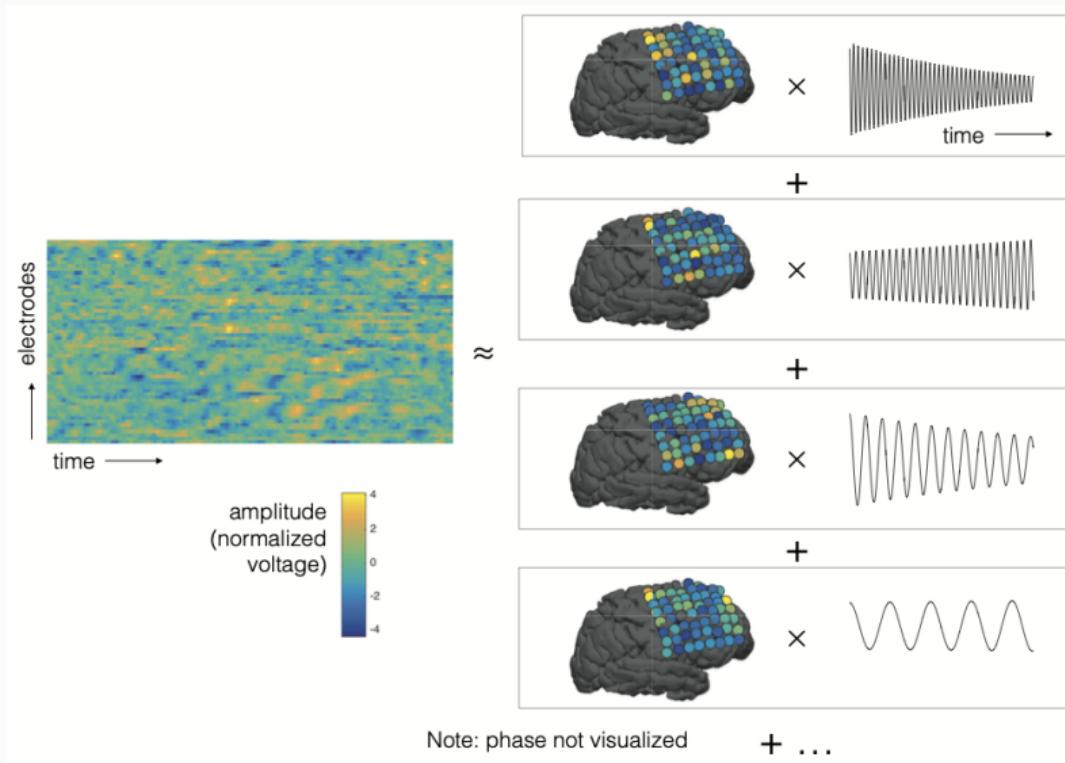
Epidemiology



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Koopman modes give insights into spatio-temporal correlations

Neuroscience



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Related Work (list by far incomplete!)

Data-driven algorithms to reconstruct dynamical systems:

- Williams, Rowley, Kevrekidis (2015). A kernel-based method for data-driven Koopman spectral analysis. *J. of Computational Dynamics*
- Kutz, Brunton, Brunton, Proctor (2016). *Dynamic Mode Decomposition*. SIAM.
- Klus, Schuster and Muandet (2019) Eigendecompositions of transfer operators in reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces. *Journal of Nonlinear Science*

Koopman operator theory:

- Brunton, Budišić, Kaiser, Kutz (2022). Modern Koopman Theory for Dynamical Systems. *SIAM Review*
- Budišić, Mohr, Mezić (2012). Applied Koopmanism. *Chaos: An Interdisciplinary J. of Nonlinear Science*
- Das and Giannakis (2020). Koopman spectra in reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces. *Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis*

Statistical learning / link to CME (see below):

- Grünewälder *et al.* (2012). Conditional mean embeddings as regressors. *ICML*
- Muandet, Fukumizu, Sriperumbudur and Schölkopf (2017). Kernel Mean Embedding of Distributions: A Review and Beyond. *Foundations and Trends in Machine Learning*
- Li, Meunier, Mollenhauer and Gretton (2022). Optimal rates for regularized conditional mean embedding learning. *NeurIPS*

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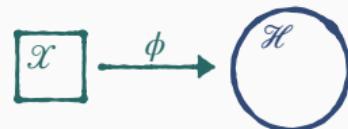
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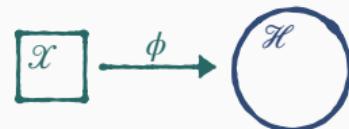
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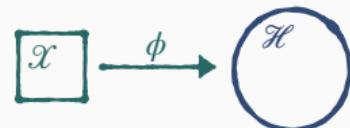
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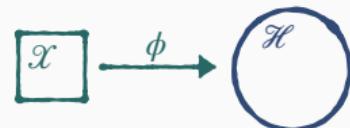
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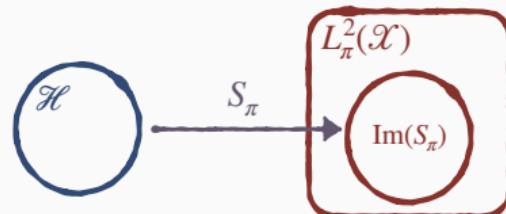
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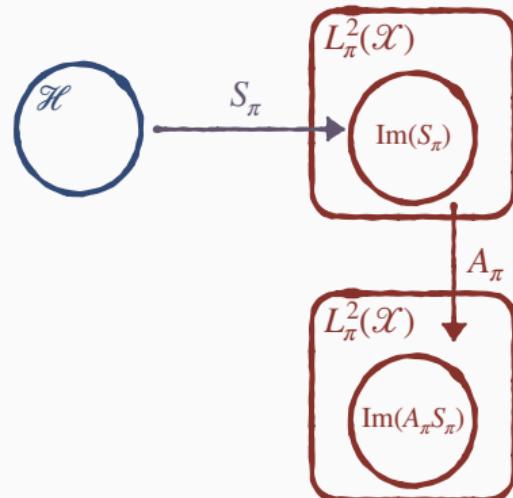
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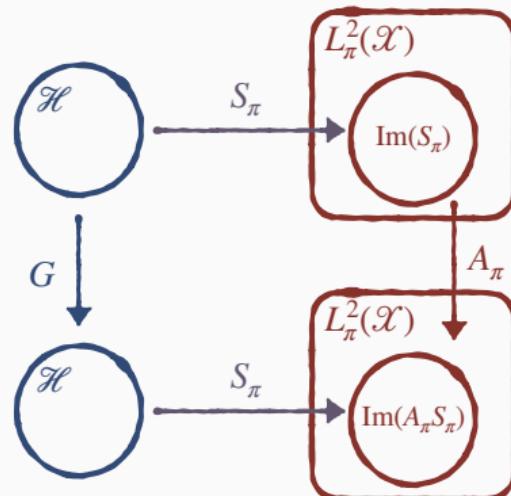
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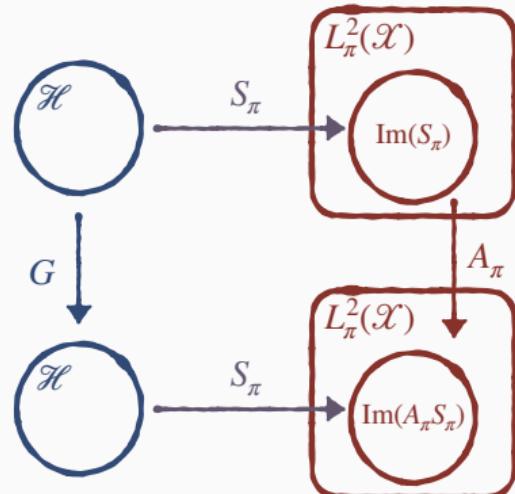
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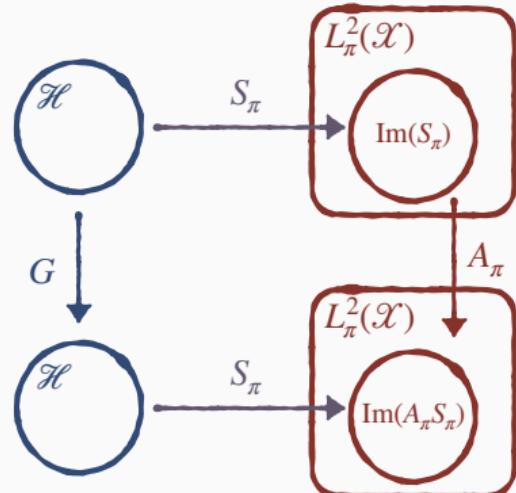
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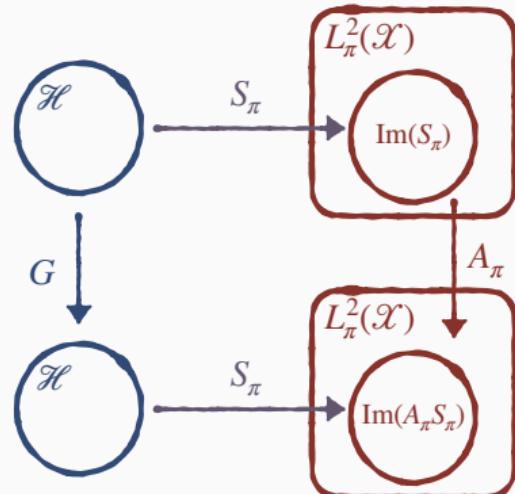


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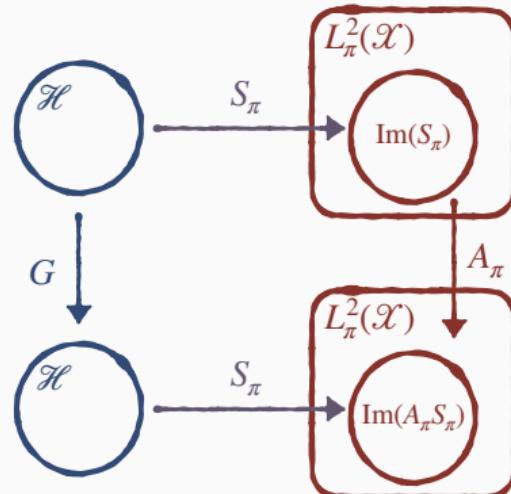
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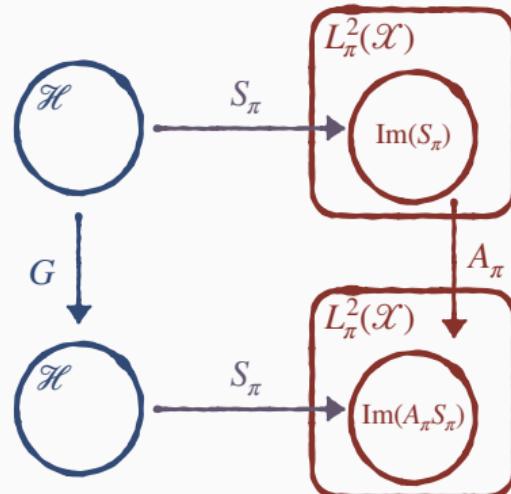
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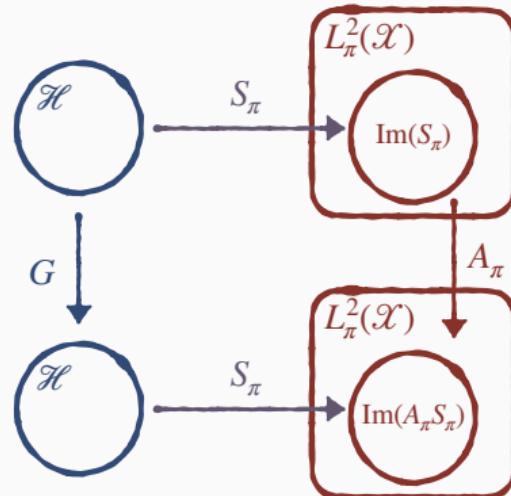
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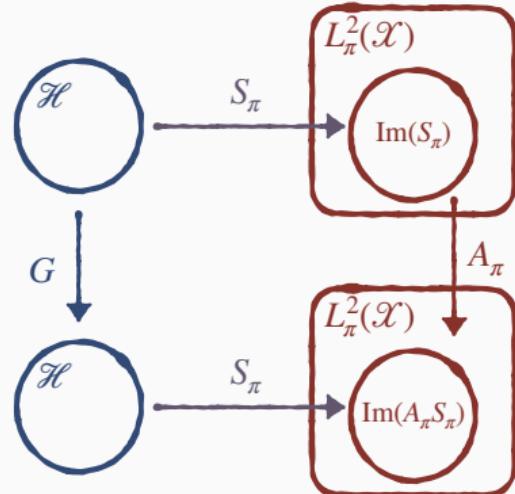


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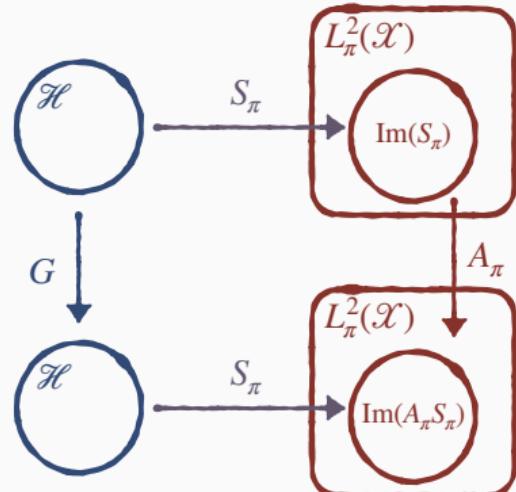
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Theorem (Spectral bounds for self-adjoint Koopman)

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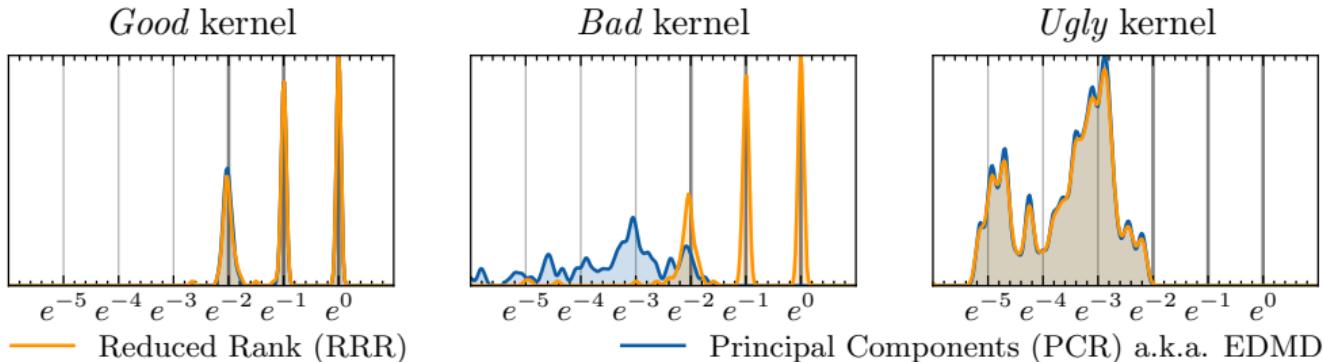
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Experiments

Example: Choice of the kernel



PCR vs. RRR in estimating slow dynamics of 1D Ornstein–Uhlenbeck process

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where $\{\epsilon_t\}_{t \geq 1}$ are independent standard Gaussians.

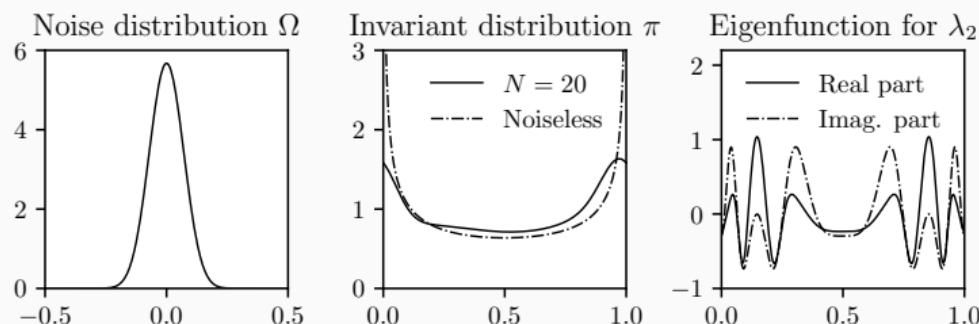
We use three different kernels over 50 independent trials. Vertical lines correspond to Koopman eigenvalues. The *good* kernel is such that its \mathcal{H} corresponds to the leading eigenspace of the Koopman operator, while the other two use permuted eigenfunctions to distort the metric and introduce slow (*bad* kernel) and fast (*ugly* kernel) spectral decay of the covariance.

Example: Noisy Logistic Map

Let $F(x) := 4x(1 - x)$ over $\mathcal{X} = [0, 1]$ and consider the discrete dynamical system

$$x_{t+1} = (F(x_t) + \xi_t) \mod 1,$$

where ξ_t are i.i.d. with law $\Omega(d\xi) \propto \cos^N(\pi\xi)d\xi$, N even



For this system we are able to evaluate the spectral decomposition of A_π : $\text{rank}(A_\pi)=N+1$ and the eigenvalues decay fast: $\lambda_1=1$, $\lambda_{2,3}=-0.193 \pm 0.191i$, and $|\lambda_{4,5}| \approx 0.027$.

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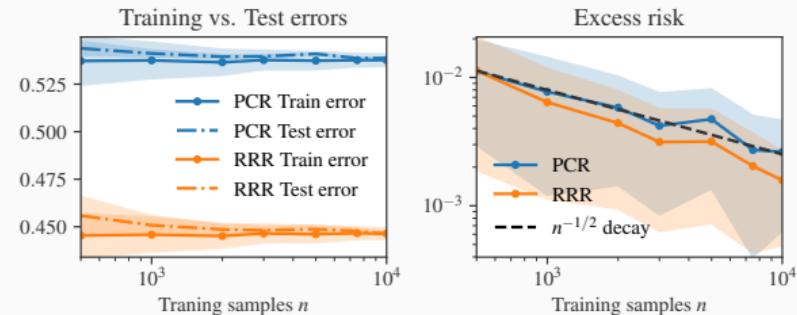
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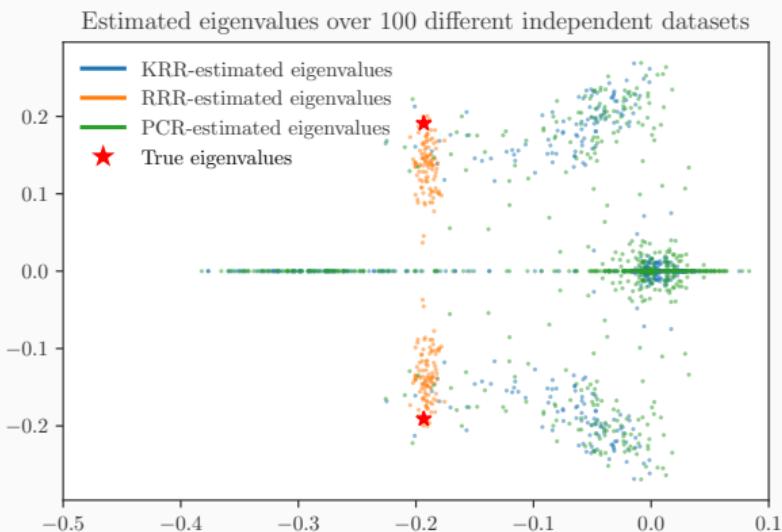


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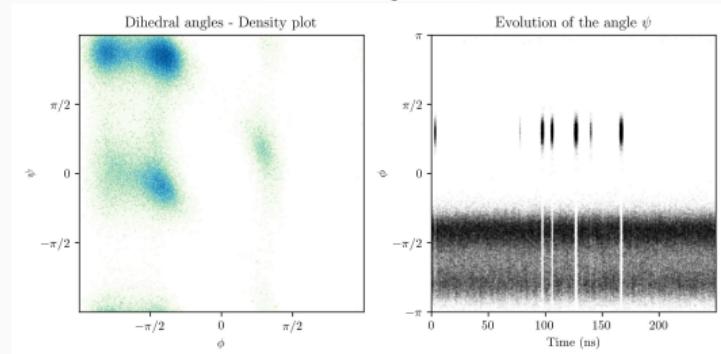
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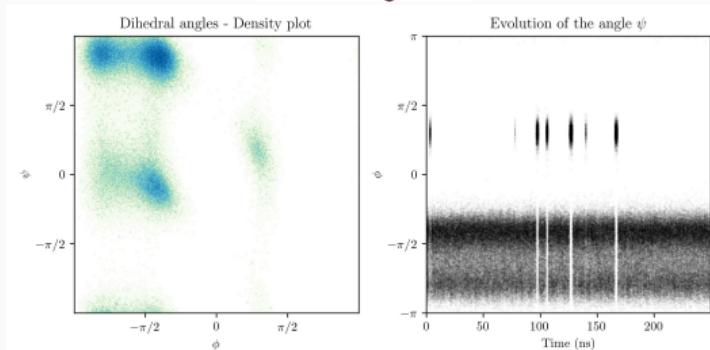
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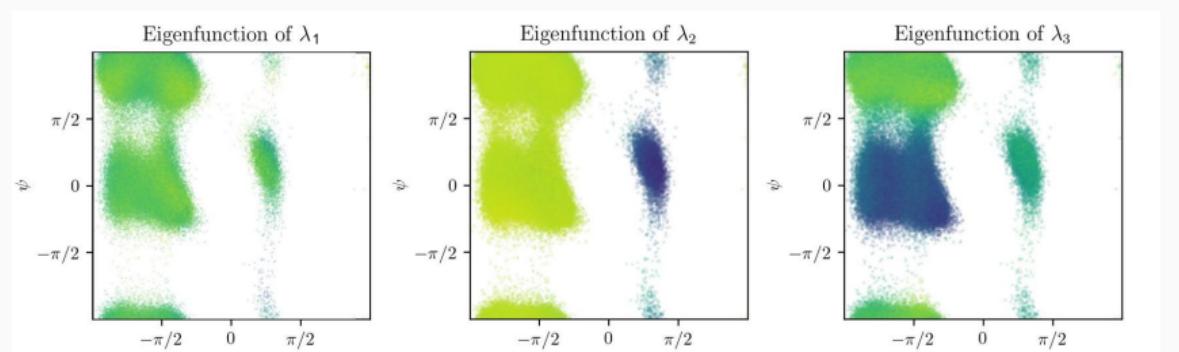
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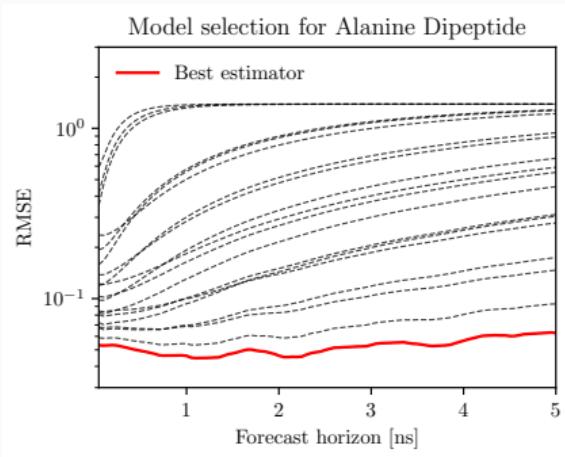
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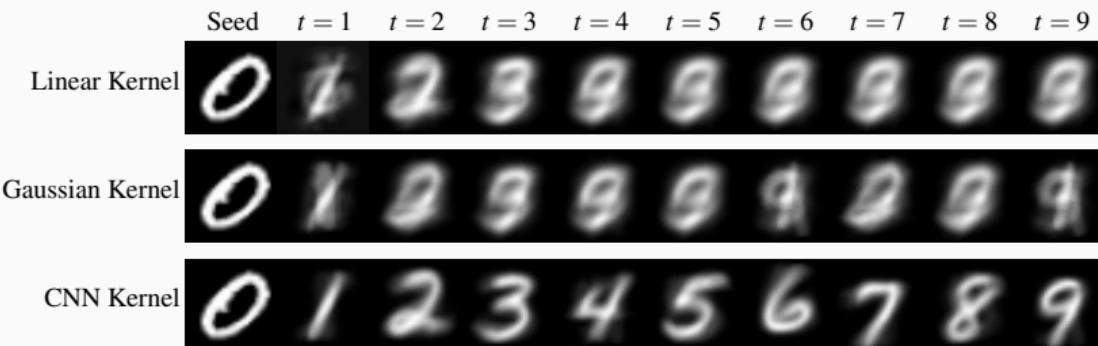
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where $\phi_{\mathbf{w}}$ is the last layer of a pretrained CNN classifier. Training data size = 1000



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and then, using covariance operators

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maximize the regularized score

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Challenges & open problems

Thank You!



Trajectory data

- With notion of beta mixing coefficients:

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we prove that for $B \in \Sigma_{[1:m]}$ $|\mu_{[1:m]}(B) - \mu_{\{1\}}^m(B)| \leq (m-1)\beta_{\mathbf{X}}(1)$, and derive

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- We generalize Prop. 2 as

Proposition 3: Let $\delta > (m-1)\beta_{\mathbf{X}}(\tau-1)$. With probability at least $1-\delta$ in the draw $x_1 \sim \pi, x_i \sim p(x_{i-1}, \cdot)$, $i \in [2:n]$,

$$\|\widehat{T} - T\| \leq \frac{48}{m} \ln \frac{4m\tau}{\delta - (m-1)\beta_{\mathbf{X}}(\tau-1)} + 12\sqrt{\frac{2\|C\|}{m} \ln \frac{4m\tau}{\delta - (m-1)\beta_{\mathbf{X}}(\tau-1)}}.$$