

# Small perturbations of non-Hermitian matrices

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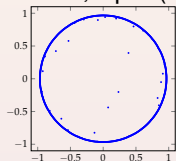
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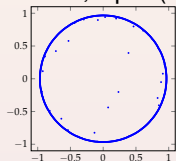
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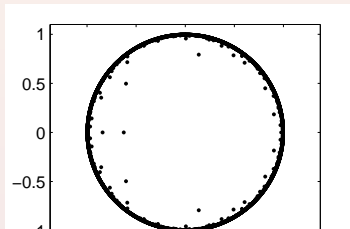
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$$L_N^{J_{a \log N, N} + N^{-\gamma} G_N} \not\rightarrow \delta_{S^1}$$

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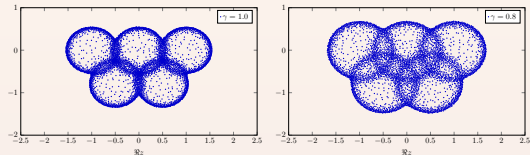
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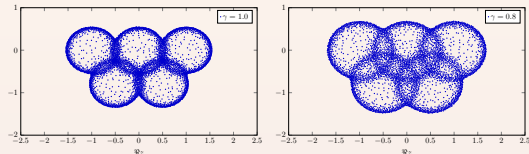
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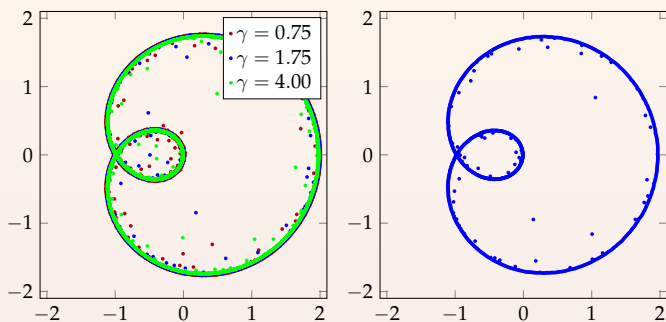
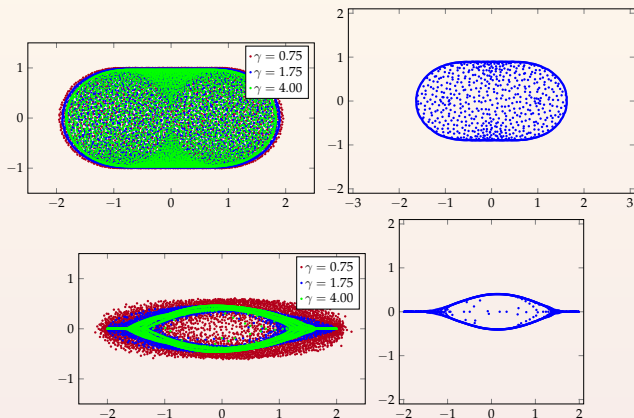


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Related (different methods, Gaussian noise - Grushin problem) - Sjöstrand and Vogel '19.

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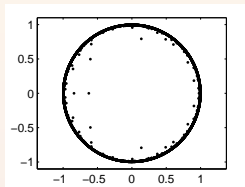
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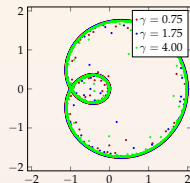


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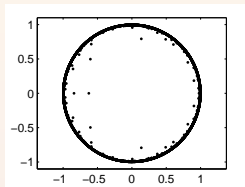


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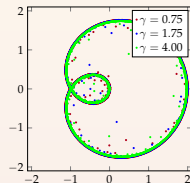


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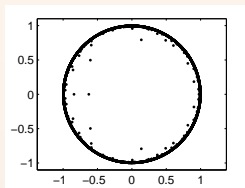
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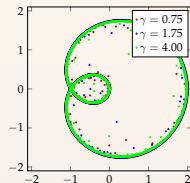
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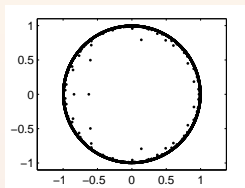


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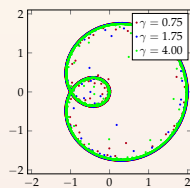
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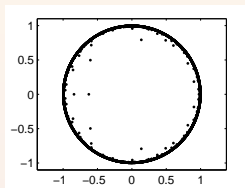


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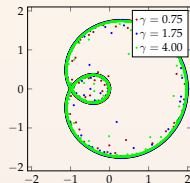
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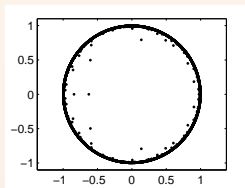


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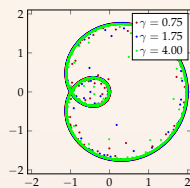
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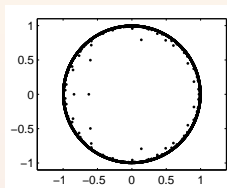


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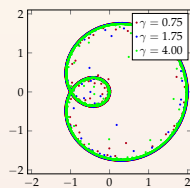
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