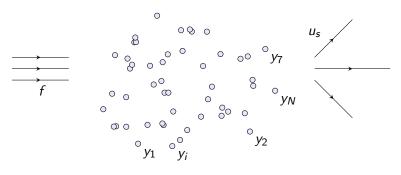
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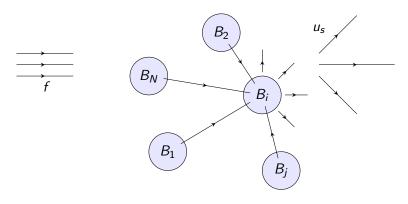
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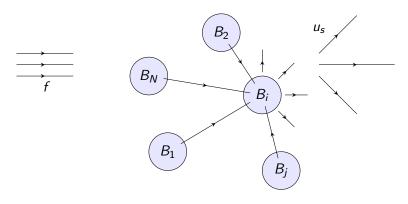
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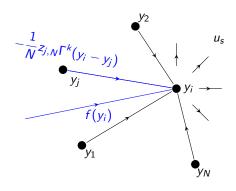


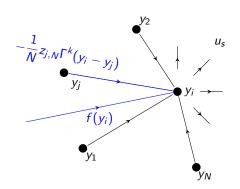






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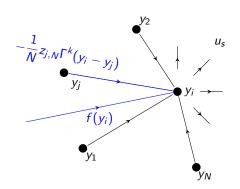
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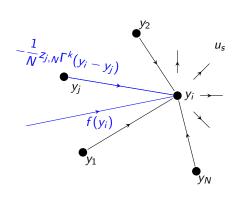
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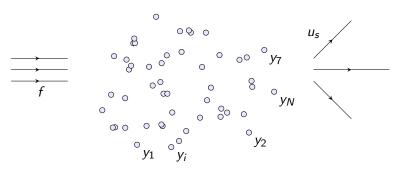
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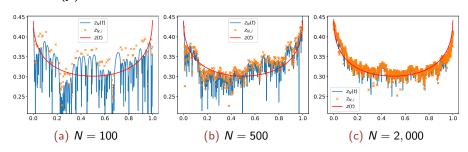
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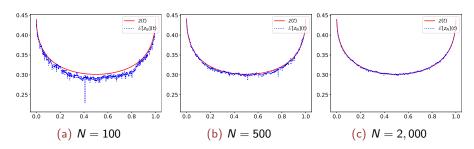


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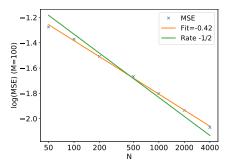
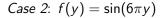
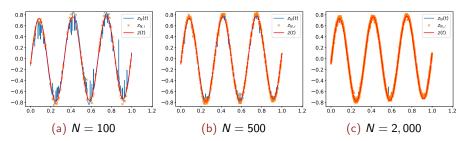
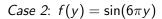


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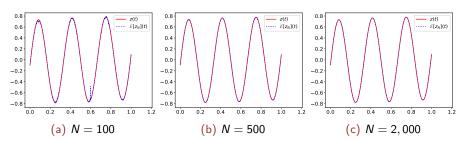


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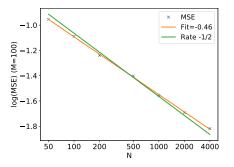


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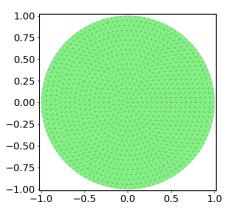
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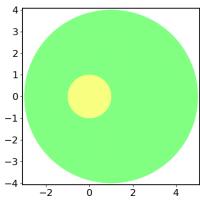
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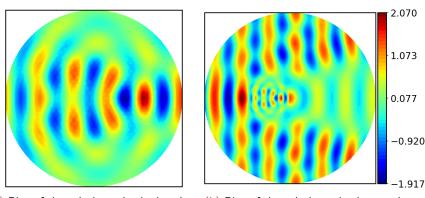
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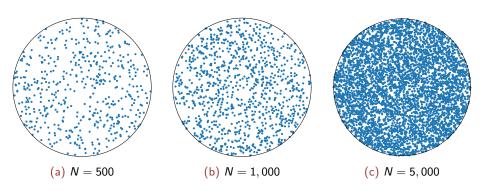


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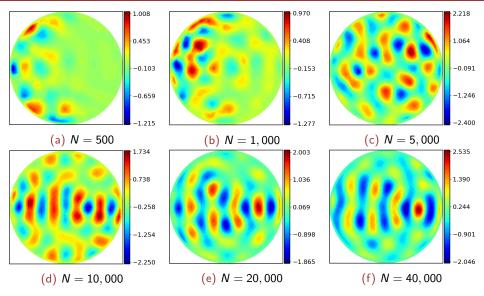


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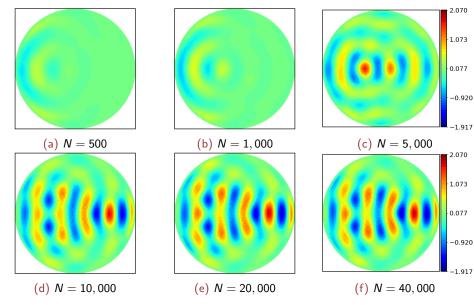


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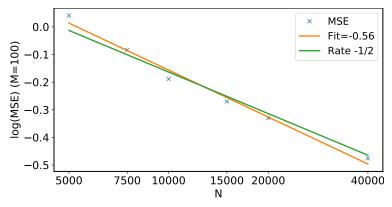


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## Result 2: convergence of the Nystrom interpolant

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Let  $z_N(y)$  be the Nystrom interpolant

$$z_N(y) := f(y) - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} k(\cdot, y_i) z_{N,i}, \qquad y \in \Omega.$$

#### Proposition

There exists an event  $\mathcal{H}_{N_0}$  satisfying  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{H}_{N_0}) \to 1$  as  $N_0 \to +\infty$  such that

- 1. (1) is invertible for  $N \geqslant N_0$  when  $\mathcal{H}_{N_0}$  is realized
- 2.  $z_N$  converges to z at rate  $O(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})$  in a mean-square sense:

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with  $z_N=(z_{i,N})_{1\leq i\leq N}$  and  $F=(f(y_i))_{1\leq i\leq N}$  and where  $(A_N)_{1\leq i,j\leq N}$  is the random matrix defined by

$$A_{N,ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N} k(y_i, y_j) & \text{if } i \neq j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

#### Proposition

Assume (i), (ii) and (iii). Then with probability one, there exists  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that the matrix  $I + A_N$  is invertible for any  $N \geqslant N_0$ , and there exists a constant C > 0 independent of N such that

$$\forall N \geqslant N_0, |||(\mathbf{I} + A_N)^{-1}|||_2 \le C$$

where  $||| \cdot |||_2$  is the operator norm ( $|||A|||_2 := \sup_{||x||_2=1} ||Ax||_2$ ).

So (1) is well-posed if the continuous problem is well-posed.

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with  $\mathbb{E}[|r_N|_2^2] = O(N^{-1/2})$ , we obtain the point-wise bound.

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