

# **Dynamical System Analysis & Forecasting of the Geodynamo**

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# Dynamical Systems: General

- differential equation sets/iterated maps
- (often) conservation law w/ set of flux/forcing terms eg. momentum, charge, continuity, induction
- relation equations or constraints eg. equation of state, symmetries
- approximations or otherwise misaligned
- even deterministic systems chaotic
- low-dimensional data eg. fluids, plasma, biochemistry, electrical systems, networks, etc..
- few analytic solutions, numerical approximation next best

# Dynamical System Definition

-Assume generalized dynamical system of the form

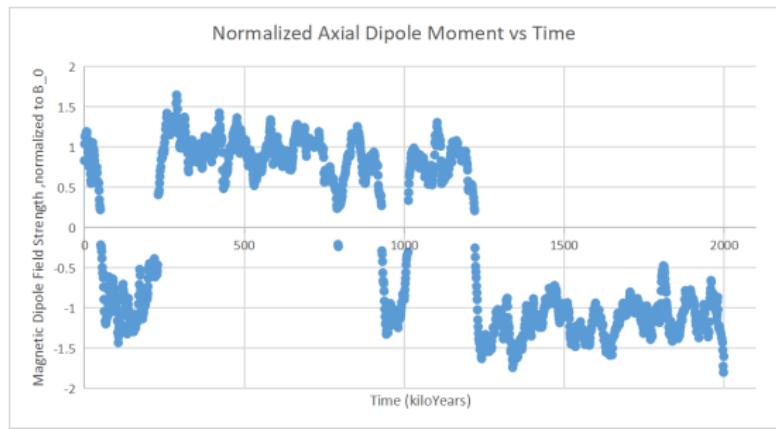
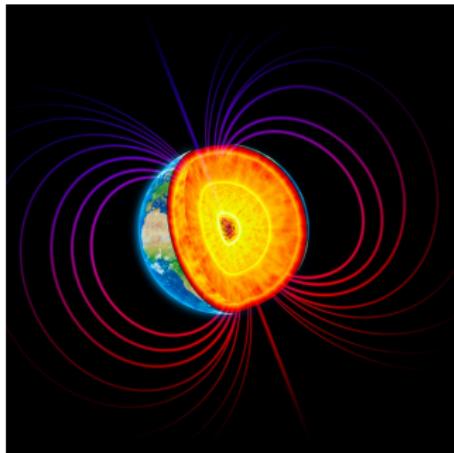
$$\frac{dx_i(t)}{dt} = f_i(\mathbf{x}(t), p)$$
$$i = 1, \dots, D$$

D is the dimension, p is the parameters

-Constructed from first principles or inferred from data

# Geodynamo Problem Setup

In coordination with SIO & other groups\*



# Differential System of Geodynamo

'Where are the physics of this system?'\*

Momentum Conservation (dimensionless)

$$\frac{E}{P_m} \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} + 2\hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \mathbf{u} = -\nabla p + (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} + E\nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \frac{R_a EP_m}{P_r} (T + \xi) \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r_{cmb}}$$

Magnetic Induction (dimensionless)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} + \nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B})$$

Heat Evolution

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{P_m}{P_r} \nabla^2 T - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla T + Q$$

# (Dynamics) Parameters and Symbols Reference

- Rayleigh number:  $R_a = \frac{g_0 \alpha \Delta T d^3}{\nu \kappa}$
- (viscous/fluid) Prandtl number:  $P_r = \frac{\nu}{\kappa}$
- Magnetic Prandtl Number:  $P_m = \frac{\nu}{\eta}$
- Ekman number:  $E = \frac{\nu}{\Omega d^2}$
- kinematic viscosity:  $\nu$
- Thermal diffusivity:  $\kappa$
- axial rotation frequency of Earth:  $\Omega$
- magnetic diffusivity:  $\eta$
- thermal expansion coefficient:  $\alpha$
- gravity at core-mantle boundary(CMB):  $g_0$
- length gap between inner-core boundary(ICB) and CMB:  $d$
- Material derivative:  $\frac{D}{Dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)$

# Research Group Method Comparison

## Data Assimilation

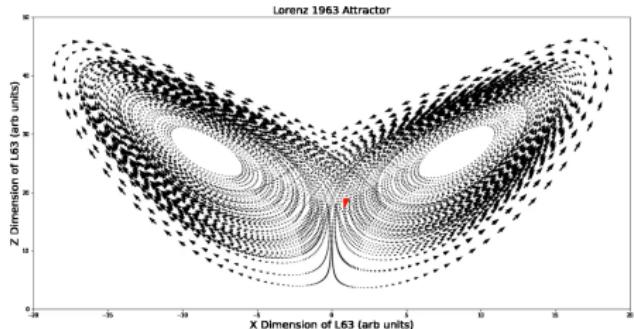
- aligns parameters of defined model approximating dynamics
- robust in ideal conditions
- difficult to train & expensive
- eg. PAHMC, MinAOne

## Data-Driven Approach

- fits ML architectural model
- may include physics informed structures
- fast & easy training
- flexible, robust, generalizable
- eg. Reservoir Computing, Data-Driven Forecasting

# Dynamical Flow Map

(Graph derived from ODEINT) 'flow map' from strange attractor (Lorenz)



However; LowD data from highD systems

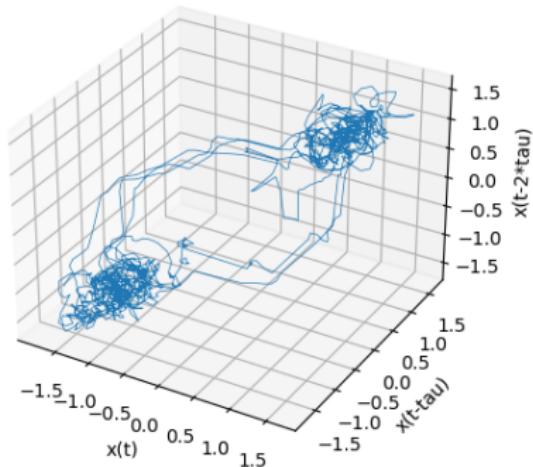
eg. magnetic dipole moment of earth rather than states of liquid metal in outer core region

# Initial Findings: Time Delay Embedding Attractor Reconstruction(only 3D)

noting double-well  $\Rightarrow$  consistent w/ 'flipping dipole'

Time Delayed Data

$$\tau = 8\Delta_t = 8000 \text{ year}$$
$$D_{E,3DPlot} = 3 < D_E \approx 5$$



# Takken's Embedding Theorem for State Space Reconstruction

Theorem: can reconstruct 'proxy' space equivalent (diffeomorphism) to original dynamical space via functional transformations of observed dimensions

generalized state reconstruction:

$$\mathbf{s}(n) = [h(\mathbf{x}(n)), h(\mathbf{g}^{T_1}(\mathbf{x}(n))), \dots, h(\mathbf{g}^{T_{D_E-1}}(\mathbf{x}(n)))]$$

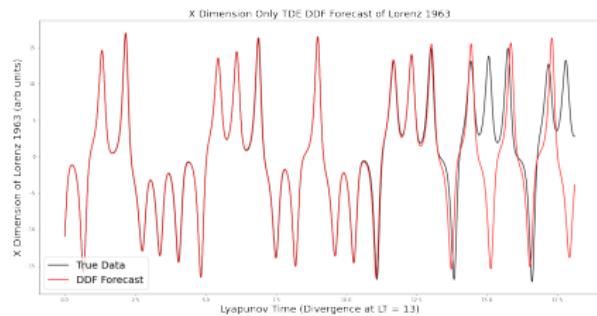
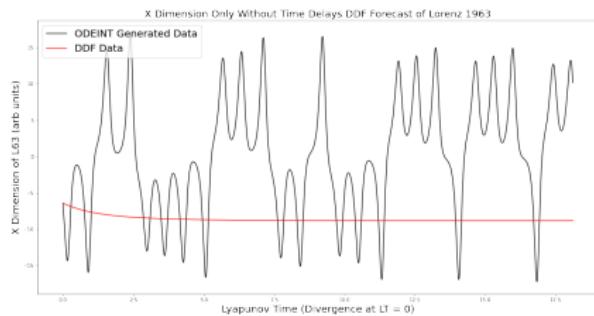
time delay embedding form:

$$\mathbf{s}(n) = [\mathbf{y}(n), \mathbf{y}(n - \tau), \dots, \mathbf{y}(n - (D_E - 1)\tau)]$$

$\tau$  time delay,  $D_E$  embedding dimension

# Why TDE?

otherwise DDF may fall short; unaware of higher dimensionality & geometry of the attractor



# Embedding Dimension $D_E$

Want 'false nearest neighbors' percentage near zero

- data 'projected' from the highD system, many points 'near' each other
- 'unfolding' attractor

$$R_{D_E}(n)^2 = \sum_d^{D_E*D_0} [s_d(n) - s_d^{NN}(n)]^2$$

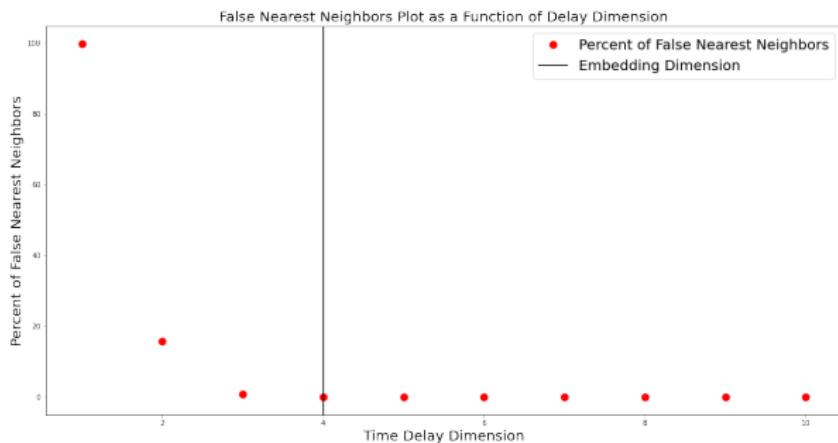
$$R_{D_E+1}(n)^2 = \sum_d^{(D_E+1)*D_0} [s_d(n) - s_d^{NN}(n)]^2$$

$$R_{nD_E} = \frac{R_{D_E+1}(n)}{R_{D_E}(n)}$$

$D_0$  dimensionality of observation,  $s_d$  state components,  $s_d^{NN}$  nearest neighbor state components

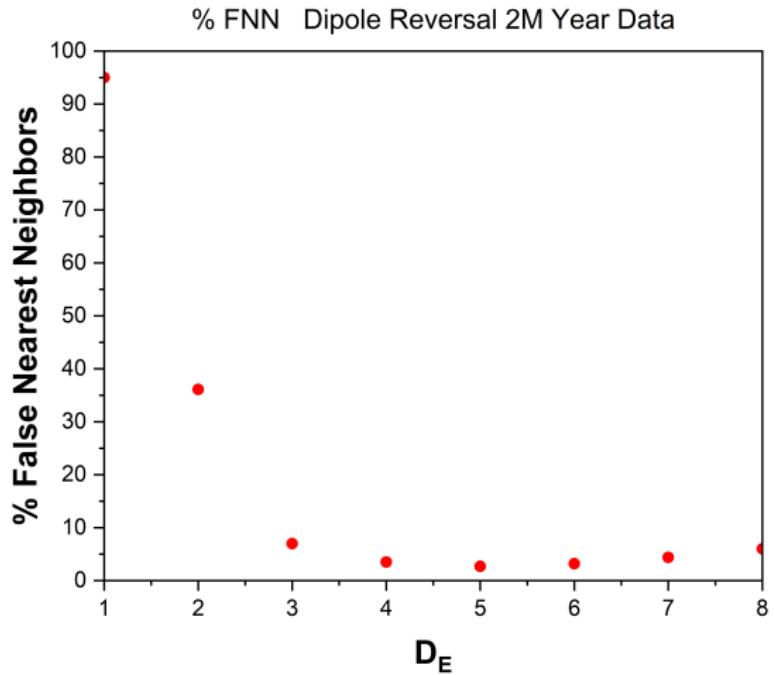
# Embedding Dimension $D_E$ Graph

FNN analysis (Lorenz 63' X)



note computational efficiency considerations, noise

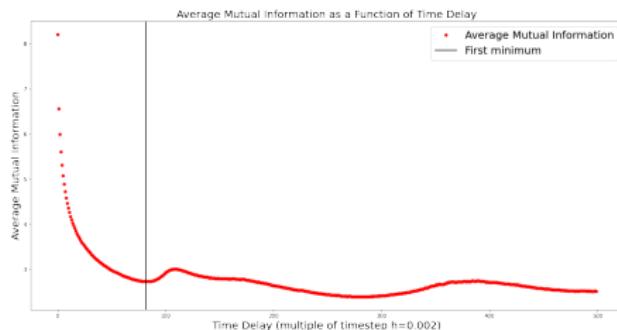
# Initial Findings: False Nearest Neighbors



# Time Delay $\tau$

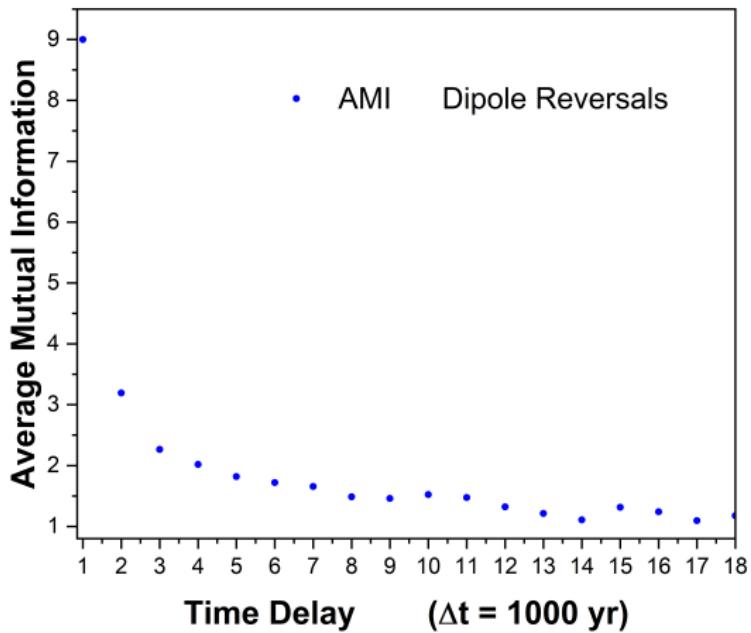
$\tau$  typically determined by average mutual information

- $I_{AB} = \sum_{\mathbf{y}(n), \mathbf{y}(n-\tau)} P(\mathbf{y}(n), \mathbf{y}(n-\tau)) \log_2 \frac{P(\mathbf{y}(n), \mathbf{y}(n-\tau))}{P(\mathbf{y}(n))P(\mathbf{y}(n-\tau))}$
- want low AMI so relatively independent without total decorrelation
- scalar multiple of observation timing ,  $\Delta T$ ,  $\tau = \zeta \Delta T$ ,  $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}$



AMI vs  $\tau$  for L63' x data

# Initial Findings: Average Mutual Information



# Lyapunov exponents

Eigenvalues of Jacobian of dynamical system

$$\mathbf{T}_{ab}(x) = \frac{\partial F_a(\mathbf{X})}{\partial x_b}$$

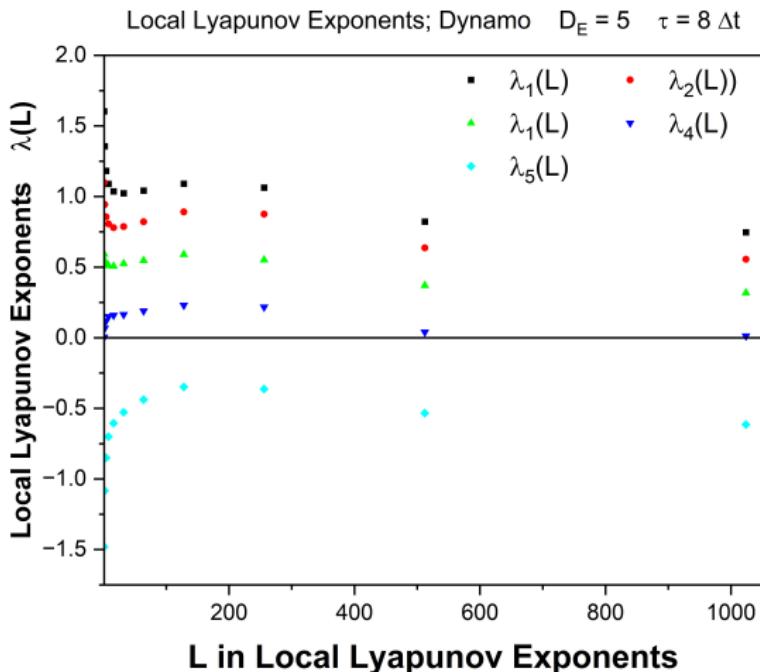
F here being update rule/map

Measure of chaotic nature of system  $e^{\lambda t}$ , predictability

Lyapunov timescale  $t_\lambda = \frac{1}{\lambda}$

# Initial Findings: Lyapunov Spectrum

noting net negativity, one of the set near zero, some positives



# Initial Data-Driven Forecasting Results

ran the PADM2M data through DDF  
high frequency noise

Proposed solutions

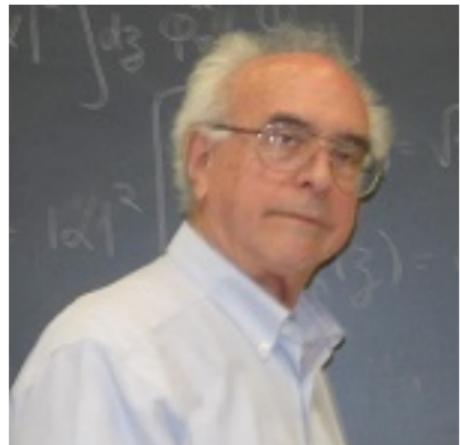
- 'Averaging out' noise in the data
- hyper-parameters;  $R, \beta$
- Interpolator
- Physical model matching

# Momentum of Project, prior to passing of Henry Abarbanel

- analyses of geodynamo data, PADM2M & simulated, in coordination with SIO group; Matthias Morzfeld, Catherine Constable, & William Davis
- DDF alignment to PADM2M & MHD simulated data
- Galerkin approximation of geodynamo outer core region
- then synchronize/align systems
- finally analyze emergent results

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- dropbox to other geodynamo project work:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/2gubylyrjehdj5ei1rsz2/h?dl=0&rlkey=rbc4cgsw0n1n8041z9jknqadf>
- dropbox to 'shared documents'(Randall's thesis draft, Henry's Geodynamo draft, my draft of paper utilizing sympy to reflect and extend Henry's geodynamo theory for use in Galerkin approximation, documents from a class project under Henry where we analyzed the geodynamo data):  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/wg9pi6jt5zqpd9imsrcl4/h?dl=0&rlkey=71sl7mhsenrls40mhxmge82y>
- github where some of our Data driven forecasting methods may be referenced:  
<https://github.com/RandarserousRex/Thesis-DDF-Code>

# image acknowledgement

- magnetic field illustration <https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fcosmosmagazine.com%2Fearth%2Fearth-sciences%2Fcore-conundrum-how-old-is-earths-magnetic-field%2F&psig=AOvVaw3QJrA1RDPo-yoKv1BSM4wx&tust=1686355651445000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CBAQjRxqFwoTCIDF2L7ytP8CFQAAAAAdAAAAABAE>

# Vorticity

Curl of momentum w/ vorticity  $\omega = \nabla \times \mathbf{u}$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega = (\omega \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} + \nabla \times \mathbf{F}$$

$\mathbf{F}$  encapsulates

$$\mathbf{F} = -2\hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} + E\nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \frac{R_a EP_m}{P_r} (T + \xi) \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r_{cmb}}$$

waiving equation of state

# Solenoidal Field Representation

Soleoidal nature of the fields

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

angular momentum operator  $\Lambda = \mathbf{r} \times \nabla$

$\mathbf{r}$  position

forming fields,  $\mathbf{u}(r, \theta, \phi, t)$  or  $\mathbf{B}(r, \theta, \phi, t)$

$$\mathbf{Field}(r, \theta, \phi) = \nabla \times (\Lambda a((r, \theta, \phi))) + \Lambda b(r, \theta, \phi)$$

Then  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{Field} = \Lambda^2 a$  and  $\Lambda \cdot \mathbf{Field} = \Lambda^2 b$

# Scalar Field Special Function Expansion

Expansion of special functions st scalar field functions a,b,d,g, and T may be represented (general scalar field symbol s)

$$s(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l S_{lmn}(t) \chi_n(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

with spherical harmonics  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$  and spherical bessel functions  
 $\chi_n(z) = Aj_n(z) + By_n(z)$

# Sympy Computational Extension of Theory

Reduce highD dynamics of core to DE's  $O(D_E)$   
sympy to systematically match Henry's theory, extend

- handles low-level math
- iterable prototyping process
- coupling w/ established systems
- potential for emergent meta-analyses

## Geodynamo Problem Setup

We wish to tune a DDF model to alignment with both this data & other comparable data sets, but at the same time explore the possibilities of a 'Galerkin approximation' akin to what Lorenz did with the atmosphere in '63

ie. reducing a high dimensional fluid/plasma dynamical system to a set of simplified differential equations

-Note existence of other geodynamo proxy models eg. double potential well, brownian motion/SDE, low dimensional DE's, etc... Then to conduct

analyses on that system in a feedback loop between data, simulation, and prediction(DDF) systems

# TISEAN analysis & Notes before Theory Deep Dive

Also noting we took some time to double check via fresh python algorithms to check these numbers as well as a short stint learning TISEAN(Nonlinear Time Series Analysis codebase), & python 'Nolds' package which serves a similar purpose

-ie. more sanity checking

concurrent results more or less, but more importantly initial steps of implementing a 'generalized dynamical system analysis algorithm' (tbd)

Rather than exhaustively show results, we'll include the papers & codes in the shared documents