



Embracing the Chaos

Sensitivity Analysis on Chaotic Dynamical Systems by NILSS

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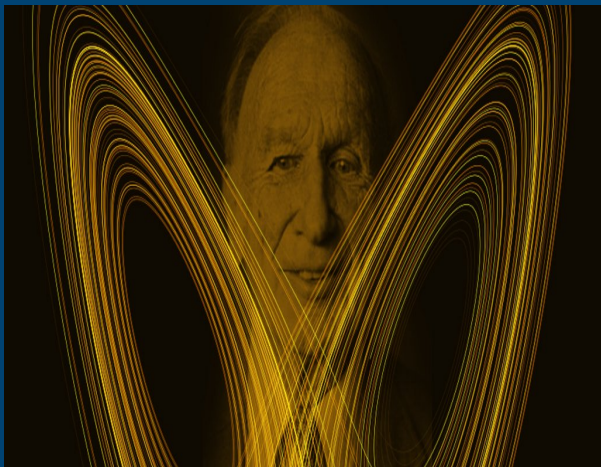
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*“Chaos was the law of nature; Order was the dream of man.”
— Henry Adams*



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The Lorenz equations

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The Lorenz 63 system is a 3 variable system with three parameters σ , ρ , and β .

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sigma(y - x) \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x(\rho - z) - y \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = xy - \beta z \quad (3)$$

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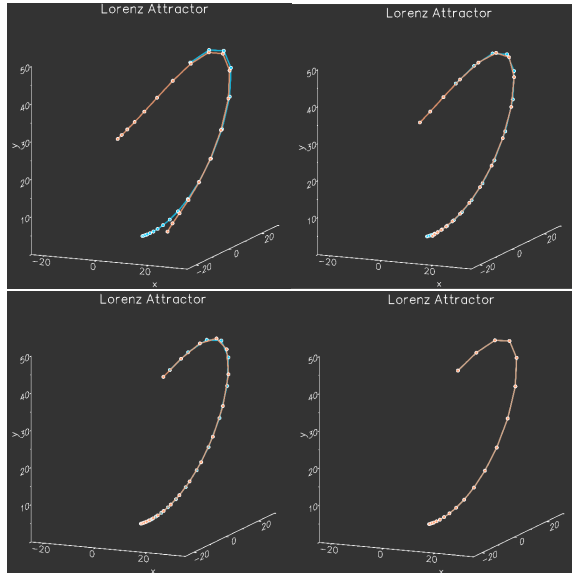
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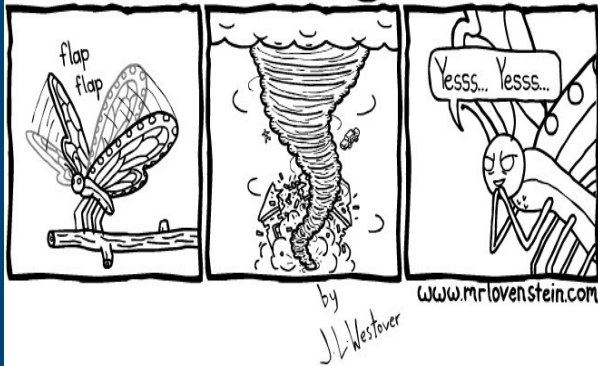
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The Butterfly Effect.



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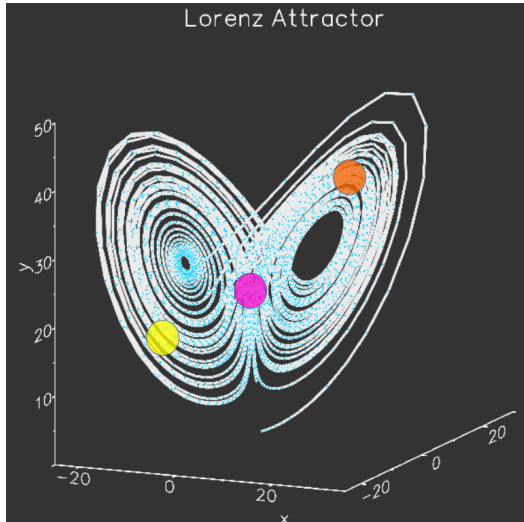
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Three highlighted zones

There is hope after all

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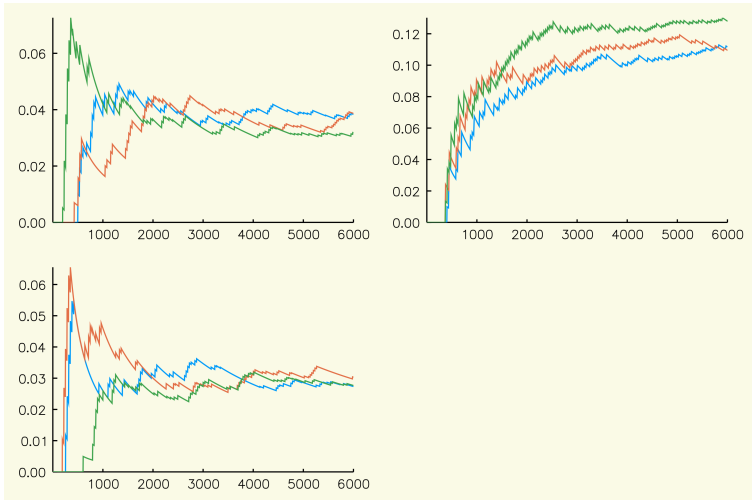
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Time spent on average around this zones



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Dynamical systems and sensitivities

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The governing equation of a dynamical system is

$$\frac{du}{dt} = f(u, s), \quad u(t = 0) = u_0, \quad (4)$$

We want to analyze the changes of a long-time averaged quantity represented by $J(u, s)$.

$$\langle J \rangle_\infty := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T J(u, s) dt. \quad (5)$$

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We want to calculate $\frac{d}{ds} \langle J \rangle_\infty$ the problem is...

¹This competes hand in hand with string theory for the prize for worst predictions of all time.

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We want to calculate $\frac{d}{ds}\langle J \rangle_\infty$ the problem is...

$$\frac{d}{ds}\langle J \rangle_\infty \neq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial s}\langle J \rangle_T(s, \phi, T). \quad (6)$$

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The usual methods diverge most of the time, sometimes they exceed by 10^{100} the expected value.¹

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Vary initial conditions vs time evolution

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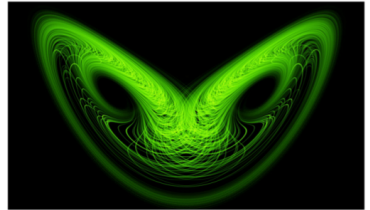
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- We are looking to build trajectories with parameters ρ and $\rho + \delta\rho$ such that they don't diverge from each other.
- Their difference contains only the long-time effect.
- Therefore we can reveal the long time effect with shorter trajectories.

Decomposing our equation

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To detect variations due changes on the parameters we differentiate the governing equation and decouple into homogeneous and inhomogeneous part

$$\frac{dv^*}{dt} - \partial_u f v^* = \partial_s f, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{dw}{dt} - \partial_u f w = 0. \quad (8)$$

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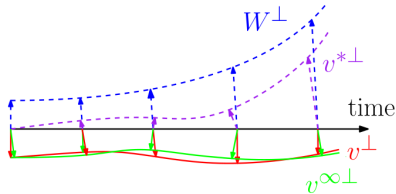
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Now we only need to solve a minimization problem.

$$v^{\perp} = v^{*,\perp} + W^{\perp} a \approx v^{\infty,\perp}, \quad (9)$$

$$\min_a \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T (v^{*,\perp} + W^{\perp} a)^T (v^{*,\perp} + W^{\perp} a) \quad (10)$$

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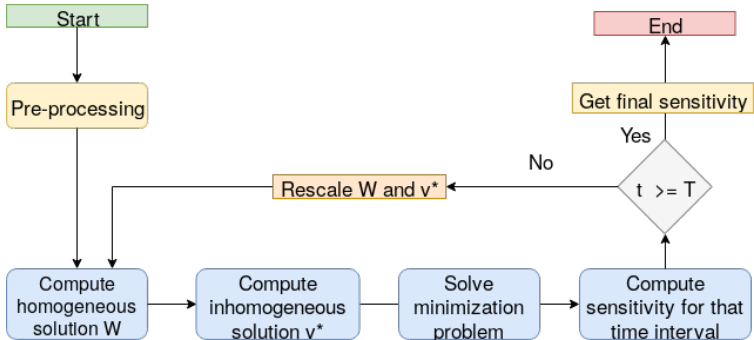
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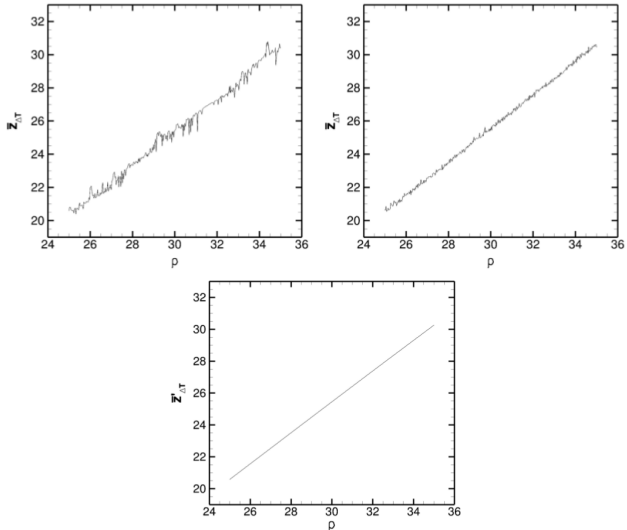
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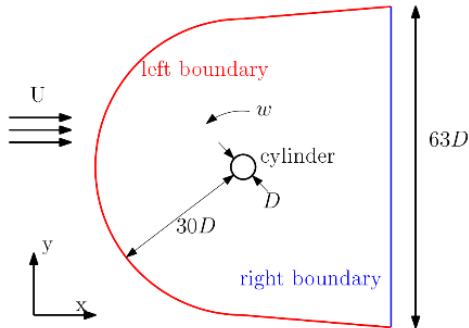
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3D Flow past a cylinder



Cylinder can rotate

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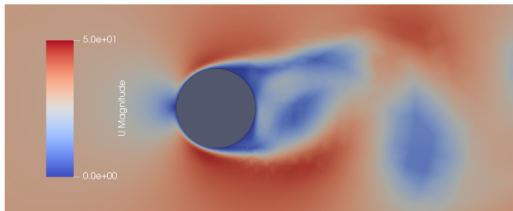
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Snapshot of the flow

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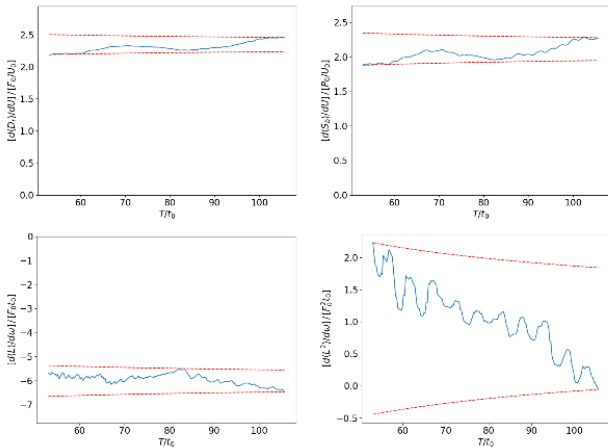
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- Easy to implement if you already have a solver.
- Low cost in comparison to other methods.
- Therefore faster.
- Uses less memory.

Where are sensitivities used?

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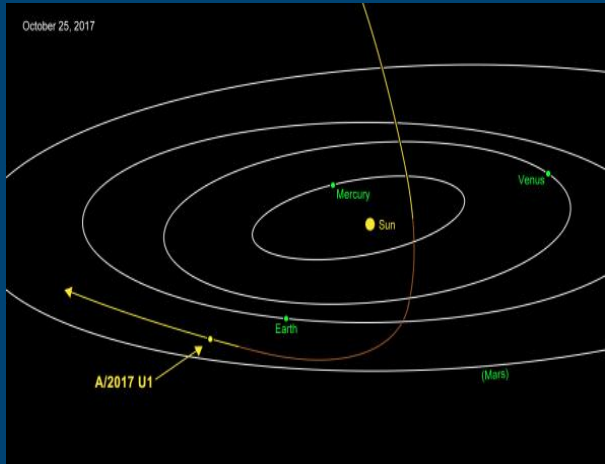
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Sensitivities help us to

- Control processes and systems.
- Solve inverse problems (e.g. CAT scan images).
- Estimate simulation errors.
- Quantify uncertainties.



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