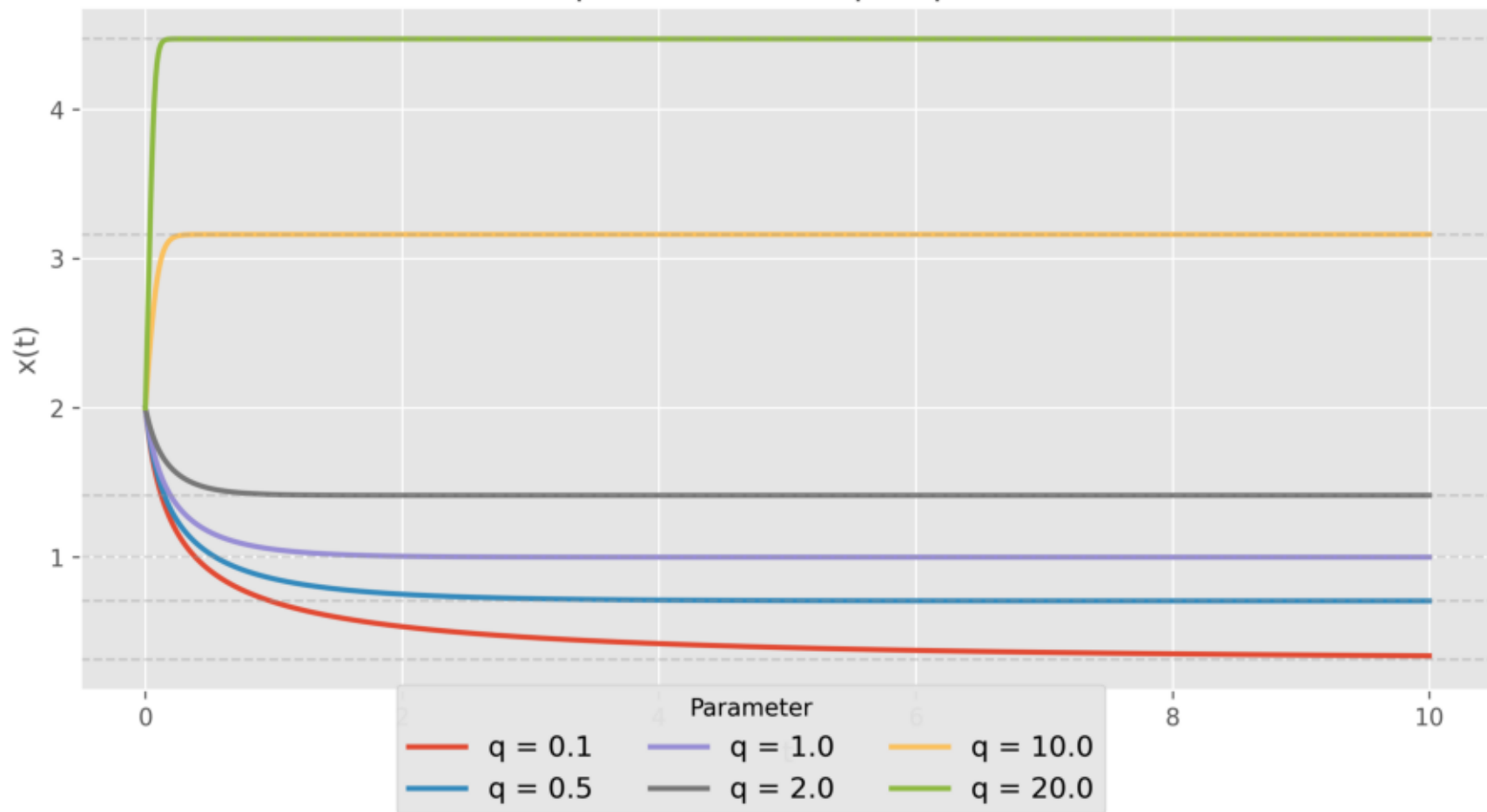
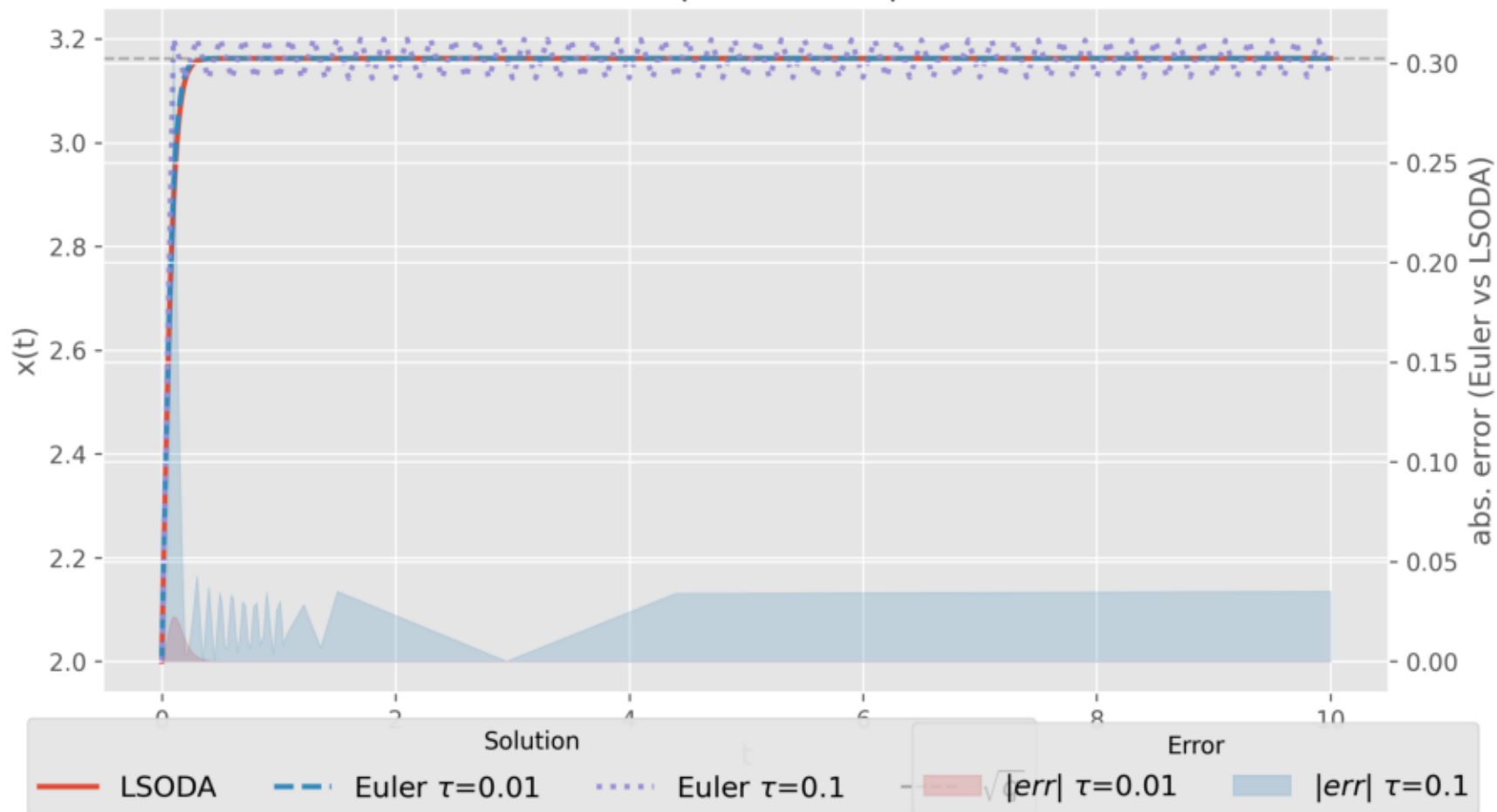


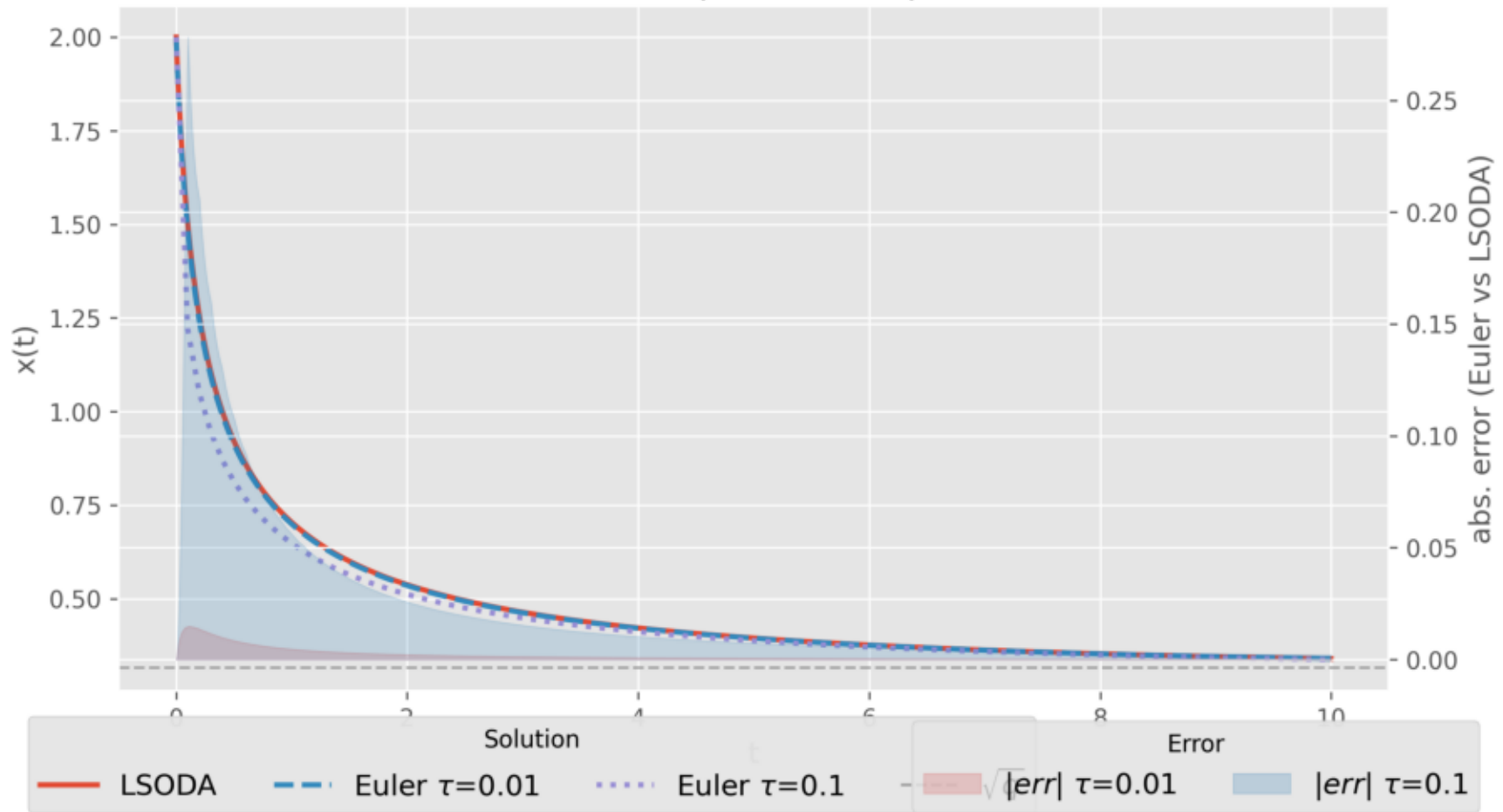
Cubic ODE parameter sweep (equilibria shown)



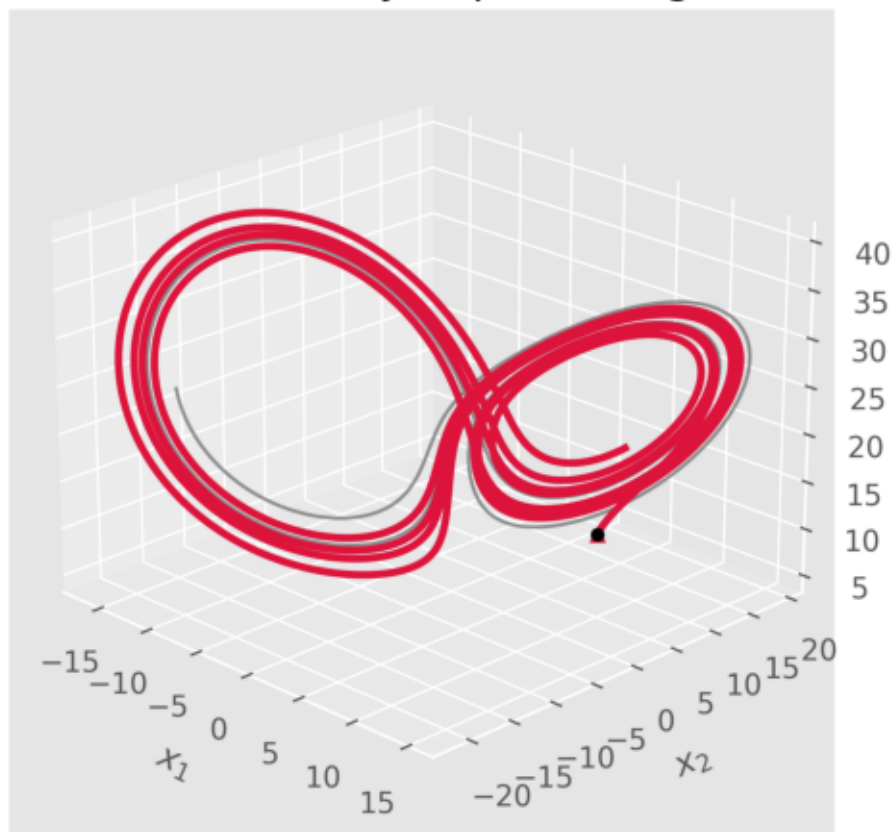
Method comparison for  $q = 10.0$



Method comparison for  $q = 0.1$

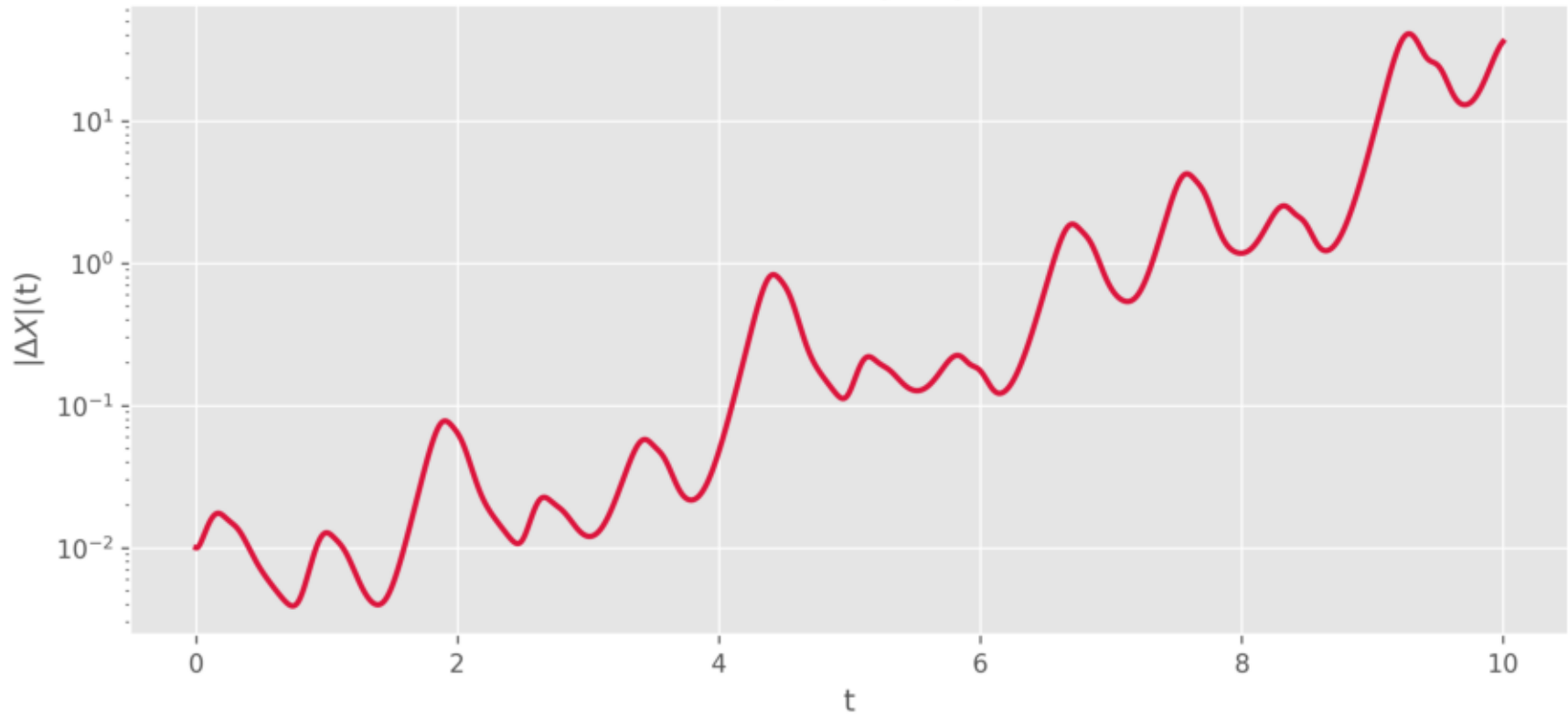


# Lorenz sensitivity to perturbing $x_2(0)$



— Baseline      —  $x_2(0) = 5.01$  perturbed

Lorenz trajectory separation



(b) Long-term behavior vs  $q$   
For  $\dot{x} = q - x^3$  with  $x(0)=2$  and  $q>0$ , the solution tends to the stable equilibrium  $\sqrt[3]{q}$ . If  $q<4$  ( $\sqrt[3]{q}<2$ ), it decreases from 2 down to  $\sqrt[3]{q}$ . If  $q=4$ , it stays constant at 2 (add this case and the curve is flat at 2). If  $q>4$  ( $\sqrt[3]{q}>2$ ), it increases from 2 up to  $\sqrt[3]{q}$ . This matches the plot; for small  $q$  the approach is slow so at  $T=10$  it can still be above  $\sqrt[3]{q}$ .

(c) Observations; change from  $q=10$  to  $q=0.1$

Euler is first order (global error  $\sim O(\tau)$ ). Near the stable equilibrium, the linearization gives  $\dot{y} = -3x^2 y$ ; explicit Euler is stable only if  $\tau < 1/q$ .

For  $q=10$ ,  $\tau=0.1$  is at the stability boundary, so Euler( $\tau=0.1$ ) shows large error and oscillatory artifacts vs LSODA, while  $\tau=0.01$  is accurate.

For  $q=0.1$ , both  $\tau=0.1$  and  $\tau=0.01$  are deep inside the stable region and the dynamics are slow, so both Euler curves are close to LSODA and look very similar.

This is exactly what the plots show.

(d) Sensitivity in the Lorenz system

Yes, it changes significantly. With  $x_2(0)=5$  vs  $5.01$ , the two trajectories start close but then diverge clearly, consistent with sensitive dependence on initial conditions (positive Lyapunov exponent). The 3D plot shows the divergence as expected.