# Chaos in Space and Time

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# Why study chaos in space and time?



Many phenomena in nature are systems far-from equilibrium and exhibit chaotic dynamics in both space and time



NASA images



Falkowski Nature (2012)



NASA image



Lattice map with "diffusive" coupling

- Difference equations
- Calculating Lyapunov vectors
  - System of ODEs
- Transport in complex flow
  - Governing PDEs
- Conclusions
- Future directions

$$x_{i,j}^{(n+1)} = f(x_{i,j}^n) + D[\frac{1}{2}(f(x_{i+1,j}^n) + f(x_{i-1}^n) + f(x_{i,j-1}^n) + f(x_{i,j+1}^n)) - f(x_{i,j}^n)]$$

$$\begin{split} \delta x_{i,j}^{(n+1)} &= f'(x_{i,j}^n) \delta x_{i,j}^{(n)} + D[\frac{1}{2} (f'(x_{i+1,j}^n) \delta x_{i+1,j}^{(n)}) \\ &+ f'(x_{i-1,j}^n) \delta x_{i-1,j}^{(n)} + f'(x_{i,j+1}^n) \delta x_{i,j+1}^{(n)} \\ &+ f'(x_{i,j-1}^n) \delta x_{i,j-1}^{(n)}) - f'(x_{i,j}^n) \delta x_{i,j}^{(n)}] \end{split}$$





$$f(x_i^n) = ax_i^n(1-x_i^n)$$

#### Gram-Schmidt Method

In a chaotic system, each vector tends to fall along the local direction of most rapid growth



#### **One-dimensional**







#### Two-dimensional



D = 0.4



 $D_\lambda \propto \Gamma^d$ 

# Lyapunov Vectors

# Covariant Lyapunov Vectors

### Pros:

- True direction in phase space.
- Reflect the direction of perturbation
- Test hyperbolicity Cons:
- Difficult to calculate
- Algorithm only recently available(Ginelli (2007) and Pazo (2007))

Orthogonal Lyapunov Vectors

Pros:

- Easy to calculate
- Leading order Lyapunov vector is in correct direction
- Can calculate fractal dimension

Cons

• Lose all direction except leading order

### Lorenz System





# Results of Covariant Lyapunov Vectors



The direction of the second covariant Lyapunov vector and the direction of the tangent vector should be same.



# Results of Covariant Lyapunov Vectors in Coupled Map Lattice 1D



The Lyapunov exponents from different algorithm should agree with each other.



# Hyperbolicity in Coupled Map Lattice 1D





### Transport in Complex Flows

**Boussinesq Equations** 

$$\sigma^{-1}(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\vec{u}) = -\vec{\nabla}p + \vec{\nabla}^{2}\vec{u} + RT\hat{z}$$
$$(\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla})T) = \vec{\nabla}^{2}T$$
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

#### Advection-Diffusion Equation

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla})c = L \vec{\nabla}^2 c$$

$$R = \frac{\alpha g d^3}{\nu \kappa} \Delta T \qquad L = \frac{D}{\kappa}$$





# **Direct Numerical Simulations**



Pr= 1



Pr= 1



# Spreading of Species



⊷q = 4

- q = 6

⊷q = 8

t 60

70

80

90

100

110





### **Enhanced Transport**



# **Conclusions and Future Directions**

- Fractal dimension proportional to map lattice size
- Hyperbolicity was not influenced by lattice size
- Two transport enhancement regimes due to spatiotemporal chaotic flow field
- Calculate covariant Lyapunov vectors in Rayleigh-Bénard convection
- Conduct formal study on influence of system size