

Assignment 2

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When a problem asks you to do a simulation, include your code in your answer.

1. LYAPUNOV EXPONENTS IN THE LOGISTIC MAP For a one-dimensional map Φ , the Lyapunov exponent is the limiting time-average of the log derivative:

$$\lambda = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \log |\Phi'(x_t)|$$

- (a) Use this fact to write a program to calculate the Lyapunov exponent of the logistic map as a function of r .
 - (b) Plot λ as a function of r .
 - (c) Explain how this plot is related to the bifurcation diagram. *Hint:* make a new plot of λ , with r confined to the chaotic region.
2. THE RÖSSLER ATTRACTOR Install the `tseriesChaos` package from CRAN. (Be sure to install any required packages as well.) Run the command

```
rossler.ts <- sim.cont(rossler.syst, start=0, end=650,  
                      dt=0.1, start.x=c(0,0,0),  
                      parms=c(0.15, 0.2, 10))
```

(Or type `example(sim.cont)` to see this again.) This generates a time series from the dynamical system known as the Rössler equations. You could look them up, but then you wouldn't learn much from this exercise.

- (a) Reconstruct the attractor using the method of false nearest neighbors. Explain how you determined the time lag and the embedding dimension. (It is no more than 9.) Include a plot of the reconstructed attractor, if physically possible.
- (b) The embedding dimension k can also be thought of as a setting to be chosen by cross-validation. Which embedding dimension, in the range of 1 to 9, gives the smallest cross-validated prediction error

for 1-nearest-neighbor prediction? If this answer is not the same as in the previous part, why do you think they differ?

Hints/warnings: Look carefully at how the Lorentz system example was done in the notes. Also, be sure to allow your computer a *lot* of time to think about this. (There will be partial, but not full, credit if you can write a correct piece of code for this but can't get it to run in time.)

3. MIXING ON THE HÉNON ATTRACTOR For simplicity, consider only the distribution of the x coordinate, so that you can make one-dimensional histograms.
- (a) Find, by simulation, the long-run distribution of points visited from a single trajectory of the Hénon map when $a = 1.29$, $b = 0.3$. Does the answer depend on the initial condition?
 - (b) Experiment with different ensembles of initial conditions; how much does the distribution of points at $t = 100$ vary?
 - (c) Show by simulation that the time-average of x_t converges to the same value, independent of the initial condition.
 - (d) Does $\sqrt{T} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T X_t$ go towards a Gaussian distribution for large T ?