

Week 2

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Monday 6/5

Met with Dr. Spiller, decided to choose the Lorenz '96 equations as the higher dimensional non-linear system to study. The equations go as follows:

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = x_{i-1}(x_{i+1} - x_{i-2}) - x_i + F - \frac{hc}{b} \sum_{j=J(i-1)+1}^{iJ} y_j \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy_j}{dt} = -cb y_{j+1}(y_{j+2} - y_{j-1}) - cy_j + \frac{hc}{b} x_{\text{floor}[(j-1)/J]+1} \quad (2)$$

[Leib-Lappen]

The first goal is to solve the system, similarly to Leib-Lappen and Danforth in their paper. I additionally continued to read and annotate Morgan Frank, Lewis Mitchell, Peter Dodds, and Christopher M. Danforth's article from last week. In preparation for weeks to come, I found additional articles referring to Kalman Filters, they are "Ensemble-Based Atmospheric Data Assimilation: A Tutorial" by Thomas M. Hamill and "Introduction to Ensemble Kalman Filters and the Data Assimilation Research Testbed" by Jeffrey Anderson, Tim Hoar, and Nancy Collins.

Tuesday 6/6

Attended the Ethical Research (RCR) Seminar given by Dr. Dennis Brylow. I learned many important aspects of ethical research practices that will protect me as I continue my research here at Marquette and potentially in the future.

Continued reading and thinking about the solutions to the Lorenz '96 equations.

Wednesday 6/7

Spent time drawing out and attempting to solve the Lorenz '96 equations using MatLab. From Leib-Lappen and Danforth, I discovered that they used the Runge-Kutta method. I found and read the following articles regarding the Runge-Kutta method:

- "Error estimates for Runge-Kutta type Solutions to systems of ordinary differential equations" by R. England
- <http://lpsa.swarthmore.edu/NumInt/NumIntFourth.html> by Eric Cheever
- https://math.okstate.edu/people/yqwang/teaching/math4513_fall11/Notes/rungekutta.pdf by unknown

Thursday 6/8

Continued to read and try to understand the Runge-Kutta method. Referred to Dr. Spiller who believes that I should try to solve the system using the MatLab function ODE45, so the knowledge is not entirely needed. Began the coding for the system. Spent time writing the system by hand to discover the problematic equations $i=1,2,I$ and $j=1,IJ-1,IJ$ and saw the cyclic relationships

Friday 6/9

Continued studying and toying with the system on paper and on MatLab, did not yield results that I was expecting. Tried first by coding a program for only the x_i equations, without the summation of the y_j 's. Was unsuccessful. Planning on seeking guidance from Dr. Spiller in the upcoming week.