

(a) **Taylor series of solutions of Lorenz system**

First I build formulas for the Taylor expansions of the solution components.

For 4th order, this takes a couple of seconds to execute.

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1 import sympy as sp
2 sp.init_printing()
3 t = sp.symbols('t')
4 h = sp.symbols('h')
5 x = sp.Function('x')
6 y = sp.Function('y')
7 z = sp.Function('z')
8
9 de = {x(t).diff(t): 10*y(t) - 10*x(t),
10       y(t).diff(t): 28*x(t) - y(t) - x(t)*z(t),
11       z(t).diff(t): -8*z(t)/5 + x(t)*y(t) } # changed from 8/3 to 8/5 for s22
12
13 xders = [x(t), de[x(t).diff(t)]]
14 yders = [y(t), de[y(t).diff(t)]]
15 zders = [z(t), de[z(t).diff(t)]]
16
17 for i in range(4):
18     for item in [xders, yders, zders]:
19         item.append(item[-1].diff(t))
20         item[-1] = item[-1].subs( de )
21
22 tx = sp.simplify(sum([ xders[i]*h**i/sp.factorial(i) for i,xder in enumerate(xders) ] ))
23 ty = sp.simplify(sum([ yders[i]*h**i/sp.factorial(i) for i,yder in enumerate(yders) ] ))
24 tz = sp.simplify(sum([ zders[i]*h**i/sp.factorial(i) for i,zder in enumerate(zders) ] ))
25 nextY = sp.lambdify( (x(t),y(t),z(t),t,h), (tx,ty,tz), "numpy" )
26
27 # numerical version of the DE
28 def f(t,Y):
29     x,y,z = Y
30     return np.array([ 10*y - 10*x, 28*x - y - x*z, -8*z/5 + x*y ])

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Sanity check of the function I made to deliver the result of taking one step of size h :

```

1 nextY(-5.          , -8.          , 15.          ,0,.02)
(-5.653747374453333, -9.189686442674136, 15.42831540097754)

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plotting and numpy imports

```

1 from matplotlib import rcdefaults
2 rcdefaults() # restore default matplotlib rc parameters
3 %config InlineBackend.figure_format='retina'
4 import seaborn as sns # wrapper for matplotlib that provides prettier styles and more
5 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # use matplotlib functionality directly
6 %matplotlib inline
7 sns.set()
8
9 import numpy as np

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function to generate Euler or Taylor approximate numerical solution and plot it

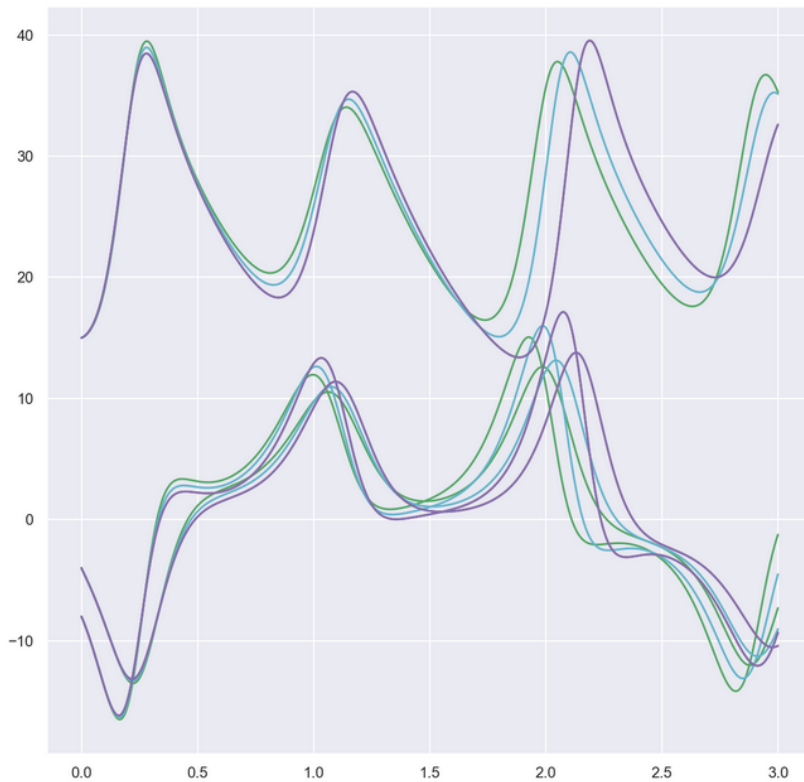
```
1 def numerical_solution(m,Y0,T,method,color='k',plot_type='time'):  
2  
3     global nexty,f,ax  
4  
5     t = 0  
6     y = np.array(Y0)  
7  
8     h = (T-t)/m  
9  
10    ta = np.empty(m+1)  
11    ta[0] = t  
12  
13    ya = np.empty((len(Y0),m+1)) # a 2d array  
14    ya[:,0] = y  
15    for k in range(m): # 0, 1, 2, ...  
16        if method=='euler':  
17            y = y + h*f(t,y) # scalar mult and addition done element-wise  
18        elif method=='taylor':  
19            y = nextY(y[0],y[1],y[2],t,h)  
20        else:  
21            assert(False) # exit if unimplemented method requested  
22        t += h  
23        ta[k+1] = t  
24        ya[:,k+1] = y  
25  
26    if plot_type == 'time':  
27        d = len(Y0)  
28        for i in range(d):  
29            ax.plot(ta,ya[i,:],'-',color=color) # plot ith component vs t  
30    elif type(plot_type) == list:  
31        i,j = plot_type  
32        ax.plot(ya[i,:],ya[j,:],'-',color=color) # plot ith component vs jth  
33  
34    return t,y # return the final point  
35  
36
```

Generate the numerical approximate solutions

I am going to do two step sizes for each of Euler (green, cyan) and Taylor (red, purple).

```
1 Y0 = np.array([-4.,-8.,15.])
2 T = 1.
3 doplot = True
4
5 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
6 ax = plt.subplot(111)
7
8 colors = 'gcrm'
9 nc = 0
10 for method in ['euler','taylor']:
11     for m in [600,1200]:
12         print(m)
13         t1,y1 = numerical_solution(m,Y0,3.0,method,color=colors[nc])
14         nc += 1
15         print(y1) # to see final value of y
```

```
600
[-7.29821011 -1.23697072 35.29220732]
1200
[-9.0372689 -4.50379722 35.13665865]
600
(-10.416387751599878, -9.339072685430786, 32.61181927320872)
1200
(-10.416387749870921, -9.339073794231501, 32.61181788493598)
```



* We see that the two Euler approximations are greatly different, while the two Taylor approximations are coincident on the plot, and in fact agree to 6 digits. Thus at this step size Taylor method has converged, while Euler is not even close.

Now the xy , xz, and yz plots:

```

1 Y0 = np.array([-4.,-8.,15.])
2 T = 1.
3 doplot = True
4
5 #fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15,10))
6 fig,axes = plt.subplots(1,3, figsize=(15,5))
7
8 colors = 'rm'
9 nc = 0
10 for method in ['taylor']:
11     for m in [600,1200]:
12         print(m)
13         ax = axes[0]; t1,y1 = numerical_solution(m,Y0,3.0,method,color=colors[nc],plot_type=[0,1])
14         ax.set_xlabel('x'); ax.set_ylabel('y')
15         ax = axes[1]; t1,y1 = numerical_solution(m,Y0,3.0,method,color=colors[nc],plot_type=[0,2])
16         ax.set_xlabel('x'); ax.set_ylabel('z')
17         ax = axes[2]; t1,y1 = numerical_solution(m,Y0,3.0,method,color=colors[nc],plot_type=[1,2])
18         ax.set_xlabel('y'); ax.set_ylabel('z')
19         nc += 1
20         print(y1) # to see final value of y

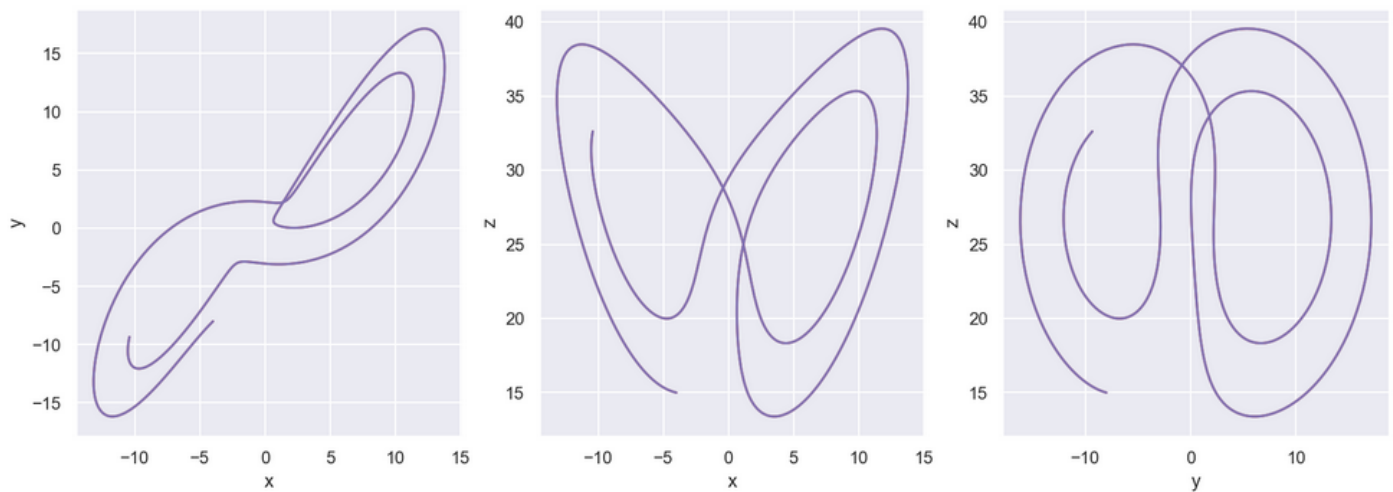
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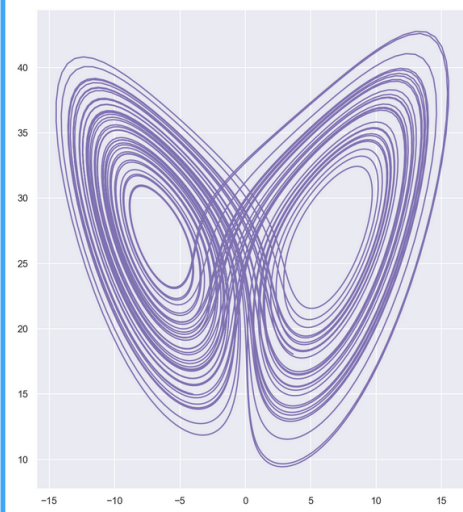
(b)

Taylor method for a longer stretch of time

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1 Y0 = np.array([-4.,-8.,15.])
2 tfac = 20
3 T = 3.*tfac
4 doplot = True
5
6 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
7 ax = plt.subplot(111,aspect=1)
8
9 t1,y1 = numerical_solution(300*tfac,Y0,T,method,color='m',plot_type=[0,2])
10

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2. 3rd order 3-stage RK

$$y^{(0)} = y^{\otimes}$$

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$$K^{(1)} = f(y^{\otimes}) \quad y^{(1)} = y^{\otimes} + hb_{21}K^{(1)}$$

$$K^{(2)} = f(y^{(1)}) \quad y^{(2)} = y^{\otimes} + hb_{31}K^{(1)} + hb_{32}K^{(2)}$$

$$K^{(3)} = f(y^{(2)}) \quad y^{(3)} = y^{\otimes} + hb_{41}K^{(1)} + hb_{42}K^{(2)} + hb_{43}K^{(3)} = y^{(\otimes+1)}$$

RK formula:

$$y_i^{(\otimes+1)} = y_i^{\otimes} + hb_{41}f_i(y^{\otimes}) + hb_{42}f_i(y^{\otimes} + \underbrace{hb_{21}f(y^{\otimes})}_{v^*}) + hb_{43}f_i(y^{\otimes} + \underbrace{hb_{31}f(y^{\otimes}) + hb_{32}f(y^{\otimes} + \underbrace{hb_{21}f(y^{\otimes})}_{v^*})}_{v^*})$$

Taylor expansion for 2-variable function:

$$f_i(y^{\otimes} + v) = f_i(y^{\otimes}) + \partial_1 f_i \cdot v_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot v_2 + \frac{1}{2!} (\partial_1^2 f_i \cdot v_1^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i \cdot v_1 v_2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot v_2^2) + \dots$$

where all the derivatives are evaluated at y^{\otimes} .

$$y_i^{(\otimes+1)} = y_i^{\otimes} + hb_{41}f_i + hb_{42} \left[f_i + \partial_1 f_i \cdot hb_{21}f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot hb_{21}f_2 + \frac{1}{2!} (\partial_1^2 f_i (hb_{21}f_1)^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i (hb_{21}f_1)(hb_{21}f_2) + \partial_2^2 f_i (hb_{21}f_2)^2) + O(h^3) \right] + hb_{43} \left[f_i + \partial_1 f_i \{ hb_{31}f_1 + hb_{32} [f_1 + \partial_1 f_1 \cdot hb_{21}f_1 + \partial_2 f_1 \cdot hb_{21}f_2 + O(h^2)] \} + \partial_2 f_i \{ hb_{31}f_2 + hb_{32} [f_2 + \partial_1 f_2 \cdot hb_{21}f_1 + \partial_2 f_2 \cdot hb_{21}f_2 + O(h^2)] \} + \frac{1}{2!} (\partial_1^2 f_i (hb_{31}f_1 + hb_{32}f_1 + O(h^2))^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i (hb_{31}f_1 + hb_{32}f_1 + O(h^2))(hb_{31}f_2 + hb_{32}f_2 + O(h^2)) + \partial_2^2 f_i (hb_{31}f_2 + hb_{32}f_2 + O(h^2))^2) + O(h^3) \right]$$

$$= y_i^{\otimes} + h(b_{41} + b_{42} + b_{43})f_i + h^2 [b_{42}b_{21}(\partial_1 f_i \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_2) + b_{43}(b_{31} + b_{32})(\partial_1 f_i \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_2)] + h^3 \left[b_{42} \frac{1}{2} b_{21}^2 (\partial_1^2 f_i \cdot f_1^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_1 f_2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_2^2) + b_{43} b_{32} b_{21} \{ \partial_1 f_i (\partial_1 f_1 \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_1 \cdot f_2) + \partial_2 f_i (\partial_1 f_2 \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_2 \cdot f_2) \} + b_{43} \frac{1}{2} (b_{31} + b_{32})^2 (\partial_1^2 f_i \cdot f_1^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_1 f_2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_2^2) \right] + O(h^4)$$

On the other hand,

$$y_i(t_n + h) = y_i(t_n) + hy_i'(t_n) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y_i''(t_n) + \frac{h^3}{3!} y_i'''(t_n) + O(h^4) = y_i^{\otimes} + hf_i + \frac{h^2}{2!} (\partial_1 f_i \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_2) + \frac{h^3}{3!} \left[\partial_1^3 f_i \cdot f_1^3 + \partial_2 \partial_1^2 f_i \cdot f_1^2 f_2 + \partial_1 f_i (\partial_1^2 f_1 + \partial_2 f_1) + \partial_1 \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_1 f_2^2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_2^3 + \partial_2 f_i (\partial_1^2 f_2 + \partial_2^2 f_2) \right] + O(h^4)$$

	RK	Solution
$O(1)$	y_i^{\otimes}	y_i^{\otimes}
$O(h)$	$b_{43} + b_{42} + b_{41}$	1
$O(h^2)$	$\{b_{42}b_{21} + b_{43}(b_{31} + b_{32})\}(\partial_1 f_i \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_2)$	$\frac{1}{2!}(\partial_1 f_i \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_2)$
$O(h^3)$	$\{b_{42} \frac{1}{2} b_{21}^2 + b_{43} \frac{1}{2} (b_{31} + b_{32})^2\}(\partial_1^2 f_i \cdot f_1^2 + 2\partial_1 \partial_2 f_i \cdot f_1 f_2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_2^2) + b_{43} b_{32} b_{21} \{ \partial_1 f_i (\partial_1 f_1 \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_1 \cdot f_2) + \partial_2 f_i (\partial_1 f_2 \cdot f_1 + \partial_2 f_2 \cdot f_2) \}$	$\frac{1}{3!}(\partial_1^3 f_i \cdot f_1^3 + 2\partial_2 \partial_1^2 f_i \cdot f_1^2 f_2 + \partial_1 f_i (\partial_1^2 f_1 + \partial_2 f_1) + \partial_1 \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_1 f_2^2 + \partial_2^2 f_i \cdot f_2^3 + \partial_2 f_i (\partial_1^2 f_2 + \partial_2^2 f_2))$

So error = $O(h^4)$ iff

$$\begin{aligned} b_{43} + b_{42} + b_{41} &= 1 \\ b_{42}b_{21} + b_{43}(b_{31} + b_{32}) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ b_{42} \frac{1}{2} b_{21}^2 + b_{43} \frac{1}{2} (b_{31} + b_{32})^2 &= \frac{1}{6} \\ b_{43} b_{32} b_{21} &= \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

This is 4 equations in 6 degrees of freedom.

We would expect a 2-parameter family of methods.

The Wikipedia page presents a 1-parameter family called "generic third-order method". I checked that the values of that method satisfy my 4 equations for all values of their parameter.

But it seems there's a whole other dimension of methods.

(b) There are many solutions of the above 4 equations in 6 unknowns. Sympy solve finds the following 4 options if we set $b_{41}=1/4$ and $b_{42}=3/4$. My examples have irrational coefficients. There seems to be a preference for methods with rational coefficients.

```
1 import sympy as sp
2 sp.init_printing()
```

```
1 b43,b42,b41,b32,b31,b21 = sp.symbols('b43,b42,b41,b32,b31,b21')
```

```
1 eqs6 = [b43+b42+b41,
2         b42*b21 + b43*(b31+b32) - sp.Rational(1,2),
3         b42*b21**2 + b43*(b31+b32)**2 - sp.Rational(1,3),
4         b43*b32*b31 - sp.Rational(1,6)]
```

```
1 eqs6
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$$\left[b_{41} + b_{42} + b_{43}, b_{21}b_{42} + b_{43}(b_{31} + b_{32}) - \frac{1}{2}, b_{21}^2b_{42} + b_{43}(b_{31} + b_{32})^2 - \frac{1}{3}, b_{31}b_{32}b_{43} - \frac{1}{6} \right]$$

```
1 o2 = sp.Rational(1,2)
2 o3 = sp.Rational(1,3)
3 o4 = sp.Rational(1,4)
4
5 eqs = [eq.subs({b41:o4,b42:3*o4}) for eq in eqs6]
6 sp.solve(eqs)
```

$$\left[\left\{ b_{21} : -\frac{14}{3}, b_{31} : -2 + \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{32} : -\frac{5\sqrt{6}}{6} - 2, b_{43} : -1 \right\}, \right. \\ \left\{ b_{21} : -\frac{14}{3}, b_{31} : -\frac{5\sqrt{6}}{6} - 2, b_{32} : -2 + \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{43} : -1 \right\}, \\ \left. \left\{ b_{21} : \frac{2}{3}, b_{31} : -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{32} : \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{43} : -1 \right\}, \left\{ b_{21} : \frac{2}{3}, b_{31} : \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{32} : -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, b_{43} : -1 \right\} \right]$$