A practical introduction to Bayesian inverse problems

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Uncertainty quantification (UQ) is the science of characterization and management of randomness in computational models of real world problems. UQ is paramount to enhance analysis and prediction tasks in multiple inverse problems arising in imaging, material science, spatial statistics, etc. In general, UQ for inverse problems is expressed as a Bayesian inference task where the objective is to estimate a probability distribution instead of a single parameter. This introductory course presents numerical methods for quantification of uncertainties in inverse problems using the Bayesian approach. It can be of interest to students from any discipline in applied mathematics and engineering. The course provides the mathematical background for theory and methods for solving Bayesian inverse problems, which are illustrated via Python examples.



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