

Inverse problems and applications

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Abstract

An inverse problem may be described as a problem of determination of model parameters of an object (for example, its conductivity) based on measured or observed data from the exterior/boundary of the object. This requires sending waves such as X-rays, light waves, pressure waves or sound waves through the object of interest, measuring the response at the boundary, and analyzing it to determine the object parameters. We present a broad overview of inverse problems and its applications in several fields such as medical, seismic and sonar imaging and non-destructive material testing to name a few.

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