

16th Eawag Summer School in Bayesian Methods for Environmental Modelling (preliminary)

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Lecturers: Carlo Albert (CA), Andreas Scheidegger (AS), Dmitri Kavetski (DK), Marco Baity Jesi (MBJ), Marvin Höge (MH) and Peter Reichert (PR).

Practice sessions: Thiago Nascimento (TN), Alberto Bassi (AB), Cheng Chen (CC).

Sunday, June 15: Optional Preparatory Course

14:00 - 15:00	lecture	AS	Review of probability theory
15:15 - 15:30		AS	Introduction to exercises
15:30 - 17:00	practice	CC	Exercises

Monday, June 16 : Probabilistic Models

08:45 - 09:00		CA	Introduction to the Course
09:00 - 09:45	lecture	CA	Probabilistic modelling
09:45 - 10:15		CA, all	Introduction and expectations of participants
10:45 - 11:15	lecture	AS	Sensitivity analysis and Monte Carlo simulation
11:30 - 12:15	lecture	AS	Likelihood functions
14:30 - 17:30	practice	TN	Practice of likelihood functions and sensitivity analysis

19:00 *barbecue* *At the lake*

Tuesday, June 17 : Introduction to Bayesian Analysis

08:30 - 09:15	lecture	DK	Illustration of Bayesian inference
09:30 - 10:15	lecture	AS	Concepts of Bayesian inference
10:45 - 11:30	lecture	CA	Bayesian computation with Monte Carlo methods
11:45 - 12:30	lecture	DK	Improving models using posterior diagnostics
14:30 - 17:30	practice	CC/TN	Practice of elementary Bayesian inference

Wednesday, June 18 : Advanced Bayesian Computation

08:30 - 09:15	lecture	DK	Identifiability analysis
09:30 - 10:15	lecture	CA	Advanced Bayesian inference algorithms
10:45 - 11:30	lecture	?	Overview of ML techniques for Bayesian inference
11:45 - 12:30	lecture	MBJ	Variational inference
14:30 - 17:30	practice	AB	Practice of Bayesian inference / advanced methods

Thursday, June 19 : Triggs and Gäggs

08:30 - 09:00	lecture	DK	Optimization techniques
09:15 - 09:45	lecture	?	Emulators
10:00 - 10:30	lecture	AS	Probabilistic programming languages
10:45 - 12:30	discussion	all	Discussion of problems of the participants

			Room 1	Room 2
14:30 - 15:30	lecture/practice	HM	Inference with hierarchical models	Repetition (AS) / problems of participants
15:30 - 16:30	lecture/practice	AB	ABC inference for stochastic models	
16:30 - 17:30	lecture/practice	HM	.	

Friday, June 20 : Applications in Ecology and Hydrology

08:30 - 09:15	lecture	PR	Stochastic models in hydrology and ecology
09:30 - 10:15	lecture	DK	Hydrological modeling, uncertainty and hypothesis testing
10:45 - 11:15	discussion	all	Discussion of problems of the participants
11:30 - 12:00	discussion	all	Summary of the course
12:00 - 12:30	discussion	all	Feedback to the course
14:30 - 16:30	cleaning	all	

Link to the exercises: <https://www.eawag.ch/summerschool/exercises>