

Inverting for Near Coastal Bathymetry from Surface Wave Properties

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Many coastal processes are affected by bathymetry

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Bathymetry is submarine topography

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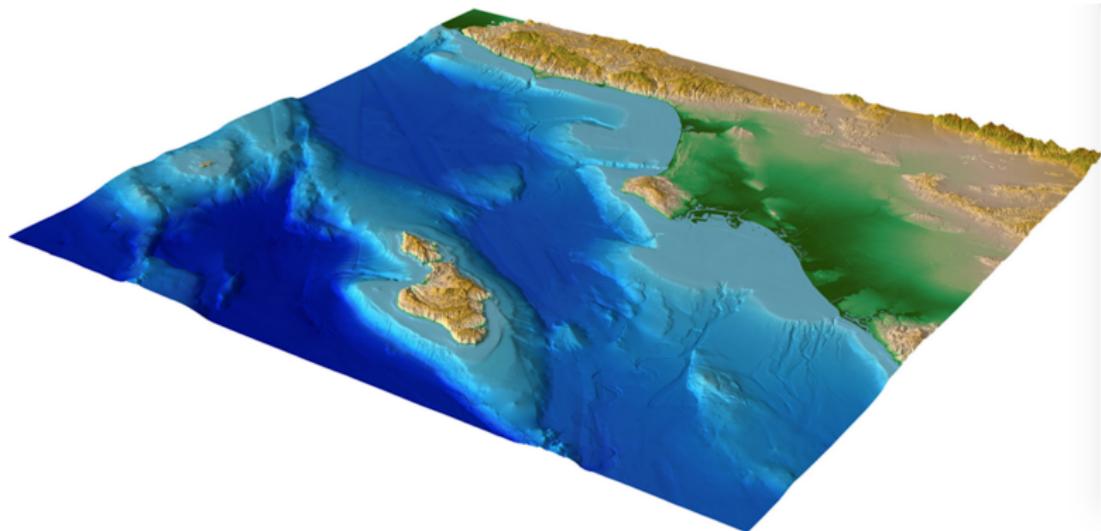
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Direct measurements are expensive and challenging

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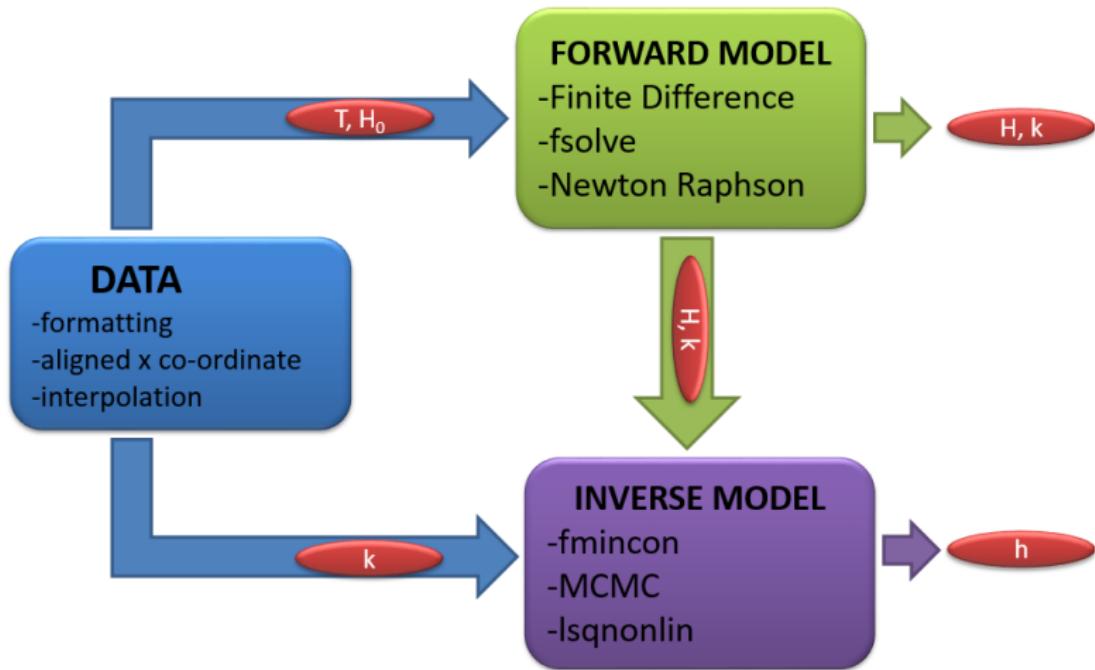
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Inverse models estimate depth using data & physics



Bathymetry is related to surface wave properties

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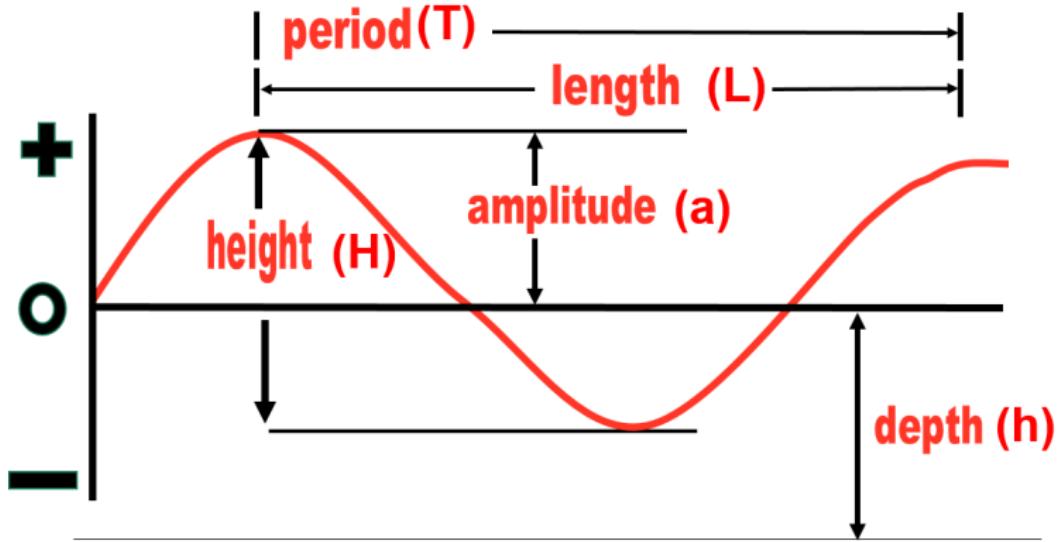
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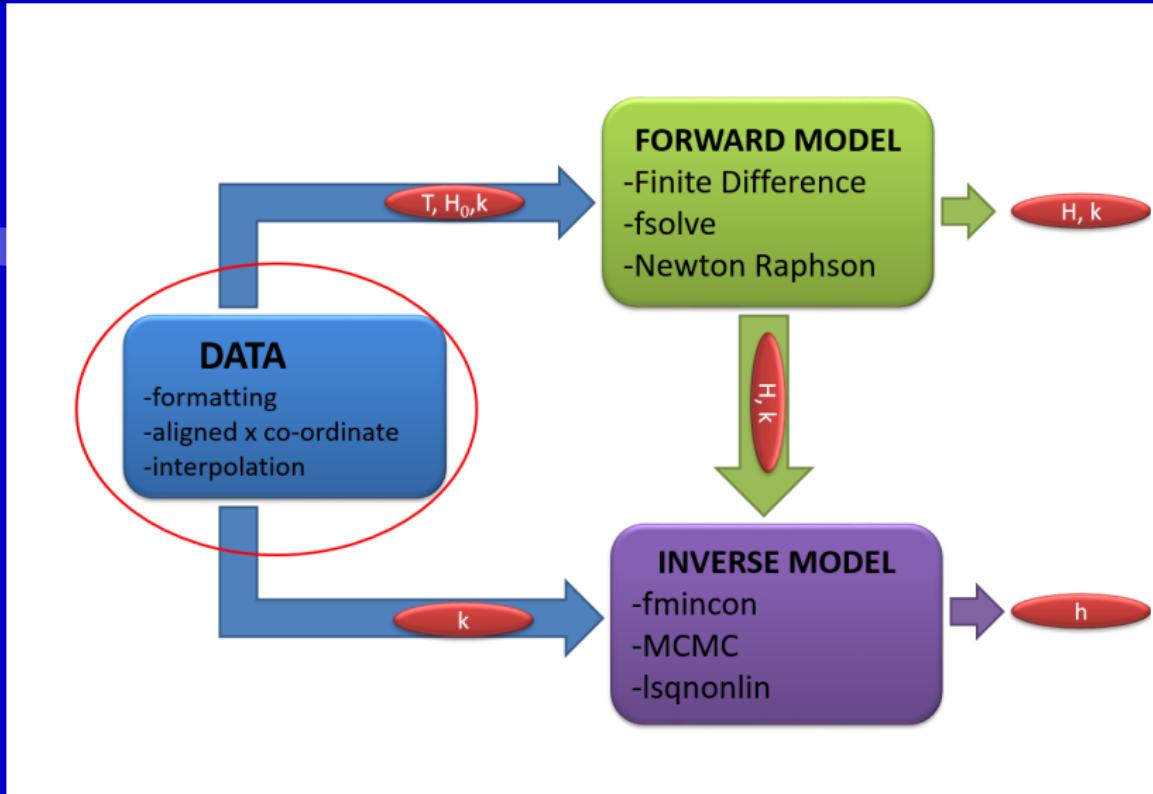
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$$k = \frac{2\pi}{L} \quad (1)$$

Before we invert we need data



Data was collected by the USACE in Duck, NC

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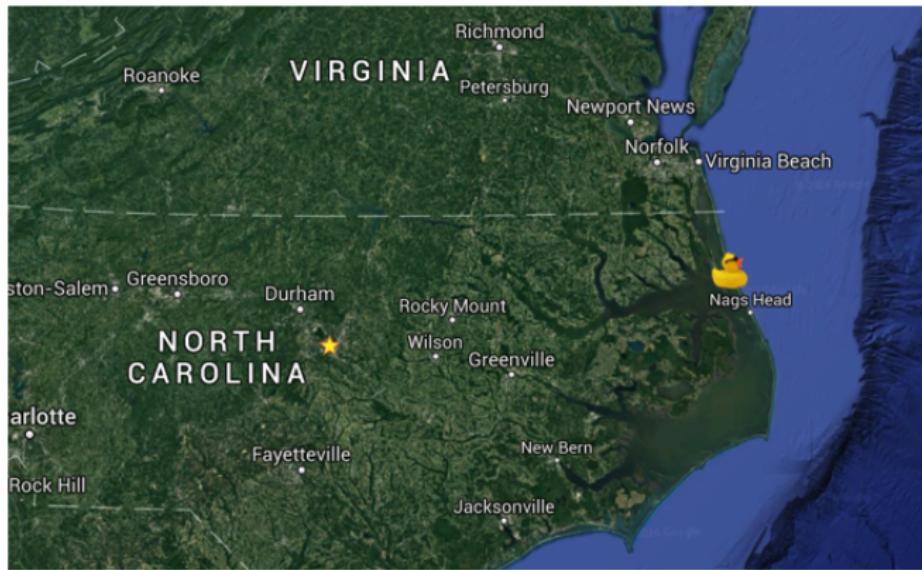
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Data includes T , H at offshore boundary, 1D k

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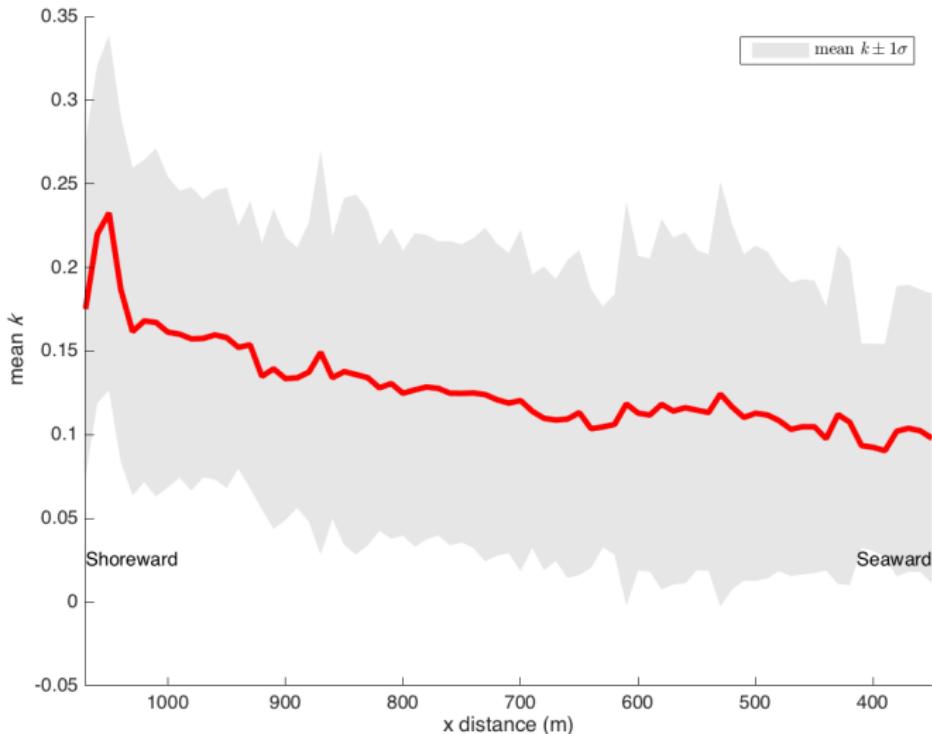
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Known bathymetry is used for testing our results

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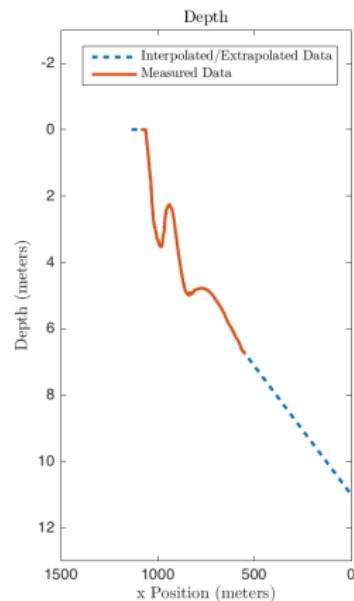
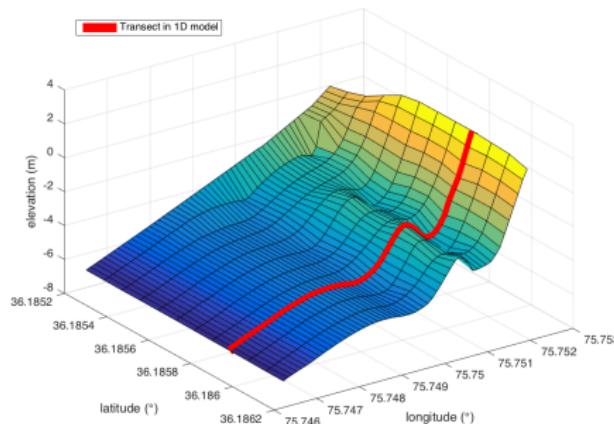
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Forward model computes k assuming h_{guess} & BC

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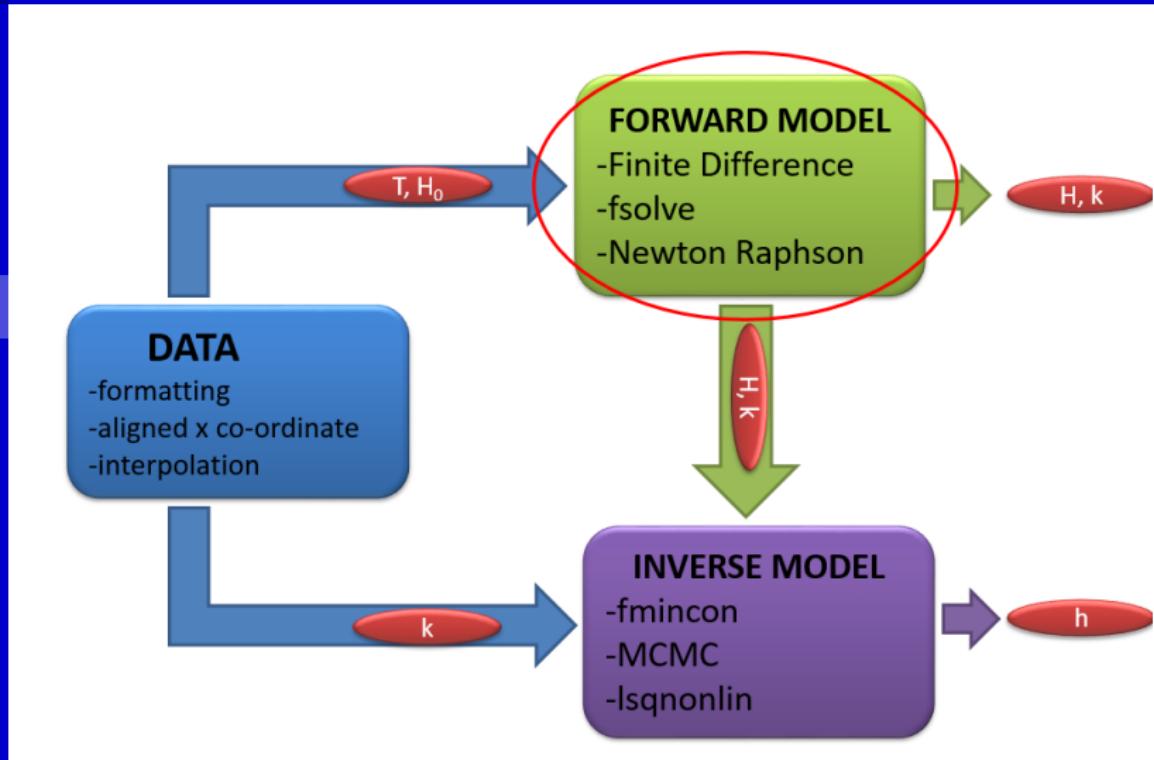
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1D wave physics is known for near-coastal regions

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Assume linear wave theory:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dx} (EC_g) = -\delta, \\ \sigma^2 = gk \tanh(kh), \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\lambda}{k} \left(1 + \frac{2kh}{\sinh(2kh)} \right) H^2 \right) = -\delta$$

where,

E : Wave Energy, C_g : Group celerity,

c : Wave celerity, σ : Angular frequency,

g : Gravitational acceleration, k : Wave number

We invert for bathymetry given the surface data and physics

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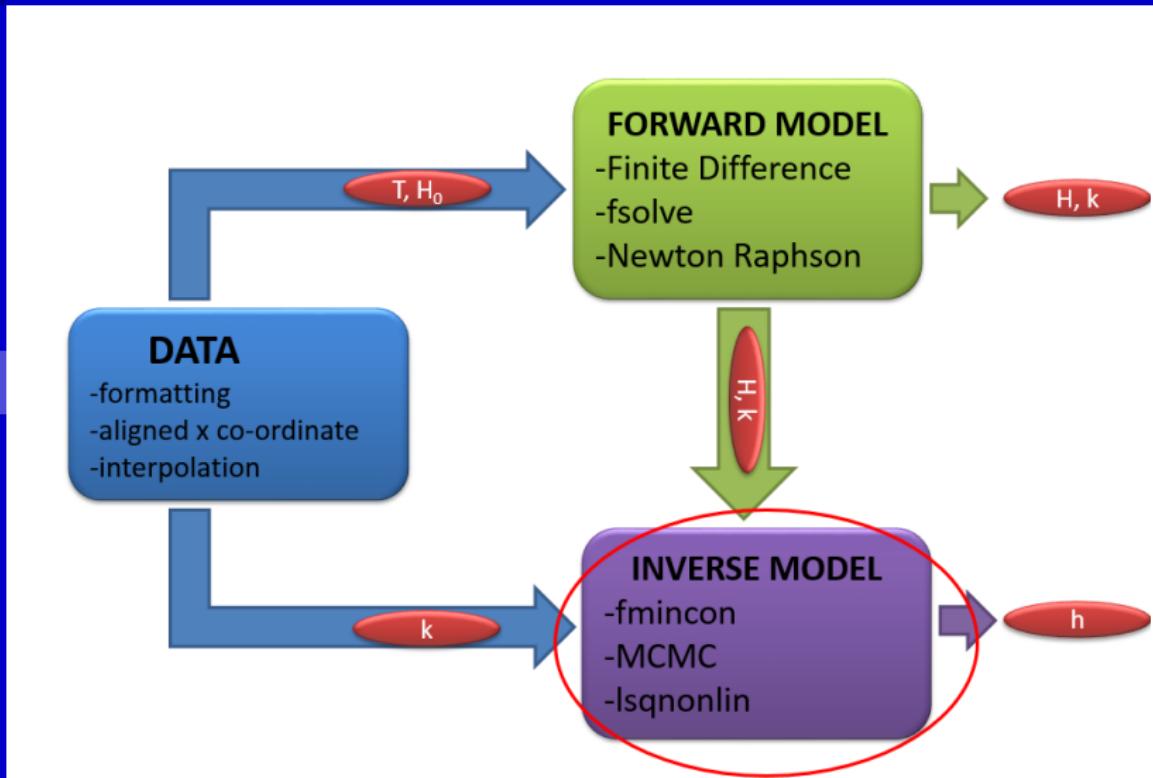
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- Nonlinear Least Squares
- MCMC
- fmincon

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Synthetic Results plots for each

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Future Directions

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- Use of wave heights
- Regularization methods
- 2D problem

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Additive Gaussian Noise Model

Gaussian noise ϵ corrupted measurements \mathbf{d} with variance ν is given by

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{h}_t + \epsilon.$$

- \mathbf{d} = a vector of measurements,
- \mathbf{A} = a linear forward operator,
- \mathbf{h}_t = the true bathymetry.

fmincon: Tikhonov Method

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Uses a regularized solution with prior information

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}_p\|_2^2,$$

Bayesian Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) Method

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The MCMC method creates a posterior distribution of depth profiles, given wave number by using the Bayes relationship

$$P(h|k) \propto \Pi(h)L(h|k), \quad (2)$$

MCMC Method: Metropolis Algorithm

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- Prior and likelihood are combined to compute an initial posterior probability distribution of h

$$P(h|k) = \log(\Pi(h)) + \log(L(h|k)) \quad (3)$$

- Uses a markov chain random walk to arrive at a posterior distribution of h profiles

Nonlinear Least Squares: Trusted Region-Reflective Method

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$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{h}) = \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2, \quad (4)$$

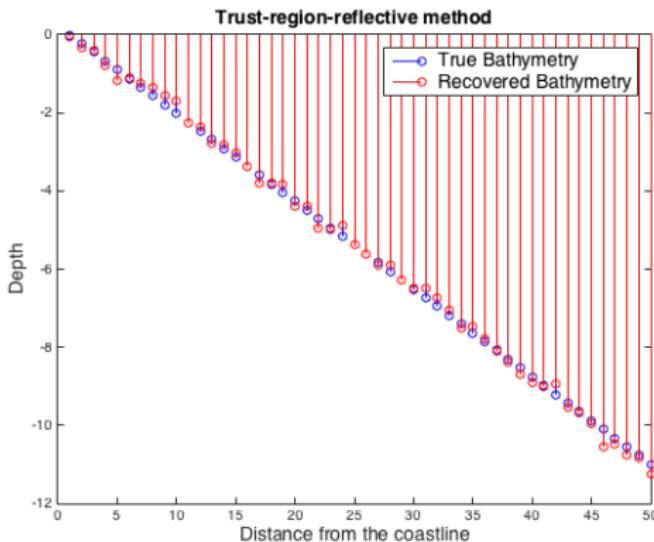
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MCMC Method: Log-Likelihood Function

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Loglikelihood function compares simulated and observed k values

$$\log L(h|k) = \log e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_{m,i} - k_{d,i})^2}{2\sigma_d^2}} \quad (5)$$