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# Ordered subset expectation maximization

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In [mathematical optimization](#), the **ordered subset expectation maximization** (OSEM) method is an [iterative method](#) that is used in [computed tomography](#).

In applications in [medical imaging](#), the OSEM method is used for [positron emission tomography](#), for [single photon emission computed tomography](#), and for [X-ray computed tomography](#).

The OSEM method is related to the [expectation maximization](#) (EM) method of statistics. The OSEM method is also related to methods of [filtered back projection](#).

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