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computations and open-source numerical codes in Mathematica, and sharing simple tricks and warnings collected during the author's research experience. At the end of this path, the reader will be in possess of all the fundamental skills and tools to learn by him/herself more advanced techniques and to produce independent and novel research in the field.