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Developing a Jupyter Notebooks companion for a new  
textbook on  
magma/mantle dynamics

Full details here: <https://tinyurl.com/yx9eelxv>

Deep beneath volcanos, partial melting of the Earth's  
mantle

creates a two-phase aggregate: a matrix of granular  
mantle rock that

contains liquid magma in a permeable network of pores  
between

grains. Despite the physical and mathematical richness  
of this system,

there is no published book on the subject that brings together the theory and applications.

The successful applicant will develop a set of Jupyter Notebooks as a companion to a forthcoming textbook by Prof. Katz about the dynamics of partially molten rocks, to be published by Princeton University Press. S/he need not have any background in Earth Sciences, but will have experience with Python programming and numerical solutions to differential equations. S/he should have a passion for writing elegant, clear, and well- documented code. A track-record of self-motivation and independence are key selection criteria.

The work may be done remotely and without set hours. The total pay for the project is 1600 GBP, to be apportioned and paid by chapter. Work

to commence as soon as the successful applicant is ready, and to complete before the end of 2019. To apply, email a CV with names/email addresses of two referees and a 1-page (maximum) statement of interest to [richard.katz@earth.ox.ac.uk](mailto:richard.katz@earth.ox.ac.uk) before Friday 26 July 2019. PDF documents only, please. Enquiries welcome.