

Hydroinformatik - SoSe 2025

UW-BHW-414-I1: Partielle Differentialgleichungen

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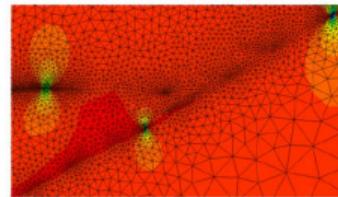
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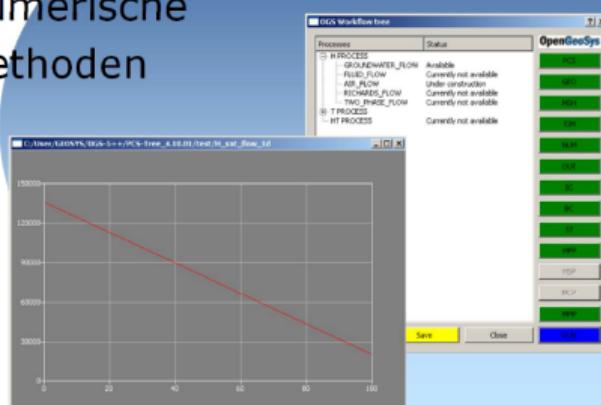
Vorlesungskonzept

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}^E \nabla \psi$$



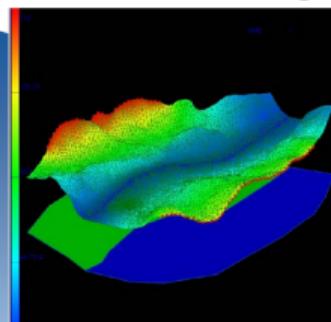
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Programmierung
Visual C++

0 Kontinuums- und Hydromechanik

- 1 Konzept: Generelle Erhaltungsgesetze (Mechanik) zur Mathematik (PDEs)
- 2 Partielle Differentialgleichungen (PDE)
- 3 Klassifikationen
- 4 Einfache Beispiele (Python-Übungen)
- 5 Anfangs- und Randbedingungen

- 6 Näherungsverfahren (numerische Verfahren)

Navier-Stokes Equation (NSE)

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{f}^e - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \Delta \mathbf{v}} \quad (1)$$

Ableitungen:

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2}$$

K-Krage: Erläutern Sie die physikalische Bedeutung der Terme der NSE.

Mathematical Classification (1.5)

A common formulation of a PDE in \mathcal{R}^3 is

$$L(\psi) = F(t, x_i, \psi, \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i}, \dots, \frac{\partial^n \psi}{\partial x_i^n}) = 0 \quad , \quad i = 3 \quad (2)$$

where L is a differential operator. Second-order PDE with two independent variables are given by

$$A \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + B \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial y} + C \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + D \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} + E \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} + F \psi + G = 0 \quad (3)$$

Second-order PDEs with more independent variables can be classified by examination of the eigenvalues of the matrix a_{ij} .

$$\sum_i \sum_j a_{ij} \frac{\partial \psi^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + G = 0 \quad , \quad a_{ii} = \lambda_i \quad \text{Eigenvalues} \quad (4)$$

Mathematical Classification (1.5)

PDE type	Discriminant	Eigenvalues	Canonical form	Example
Elliptic	$B^2 - 4AC < 0$ complex characteristics	$\forall \lambda > 0$ equal signs	$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \eta^2} = 0$	Laplace equation
Parabolic	$B^2 - 4AC = 0$	$\exists \lambda = 0$	$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \eta^2} = G$	Diffusion, Burgers equations
Hyperbolic	$B^2 - 4AC > 0$ real characteristics	$\exists \lambda < 0$ different signs	$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \eta^2} = 0$	Wave equation

General Balance Equation (1.1.7)

- ▶ Integral form

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \frac{d\psi}{dt} d\Omega &= \\ \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi) d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^{\psi} \nabla \psi) d\Omega &= \\ \int_{\Omega} Q^{\psi} d\Omega \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

- ▶ Differential form

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi) - \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^{\psi} \nabla \psi) = \mathbf{Q}^{\psi} \tag{6}$$

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi) - \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^\psi \nabla \psi) = Q^\psi \quad (7)$$

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where L is a differential operator.

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi) - \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^\psi \nabla \psi) = Q^\psi \quad (9)$$

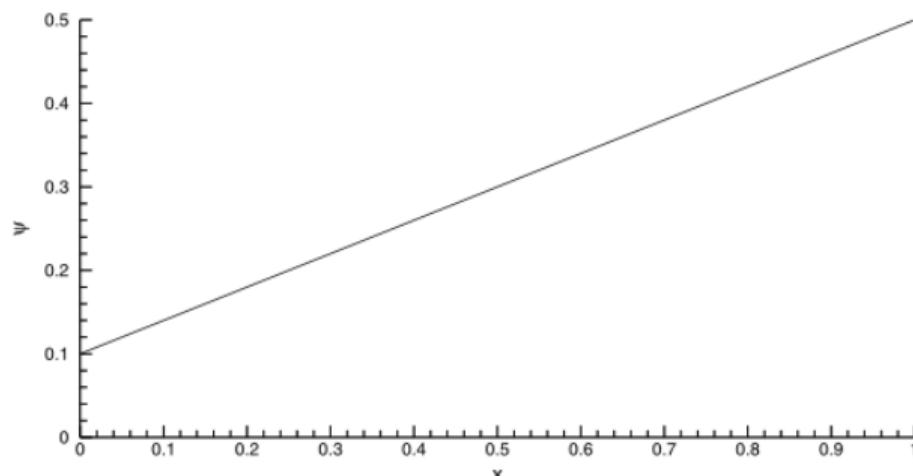
Physical problem	Math. problem	Examples
Equilibrium problems	Elliptic equations	Irrational incompressible flow Inviscid incompressible flow Steady state heat conduction
Propagation problems (infinite propagation speed)	Parabolic equations	Unsteady viscous flow Transient heat transfer
Propagation problems (finite propagation speed)	Hyperbolic equations	Wave propagation (vibration) Inviscid supersonic flow

- ▶ Parabolisch: Diffusion, Gerinne (nichtlinear)
- ▶ Elliptisch: Grundwasser (stationär)

PDE: Elliptic Equation 1-D

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$\psi = ax + b \quad (11)$$



The prototype of an elliptic equation is the Laplace equation.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (12)$$

By substitution it can be easily verified that the exact solution of the Laplace equation is

$$\psi = \sin(\pi x) \exp(-\pi y) \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \pi \cos(\pi x) \exp(-\pi y), \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = \dots, \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \dots, \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = \dots \quad (14)$$

⇒ Hausaufgabe (am Ende)

PDE: Elliptic Equation 2-D

The prototype of an elliptic equation is the Laplace equation.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$\psi(x, y) = \int \left(\frac{x - L}{(x - L)^2 + y^2} - \frac{x + L}{(x + L)^2 + y^2} \right) dx dy \quad (16)$$

$$v_x = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{x - L}{(x - L)^2 + y^2} - \frac{x + L}{(x + L)^2 + y^2} \quad (17)$$

$$v_y = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{(x - L)^2 + y^2} - \frac{y}{(x + L)^2 + y^2} \quad (18)$$

⇒ Randbedingungen sind wichtig

Divergenzfreie Strömung

Übung: EX04-divergenzfreie-stroemung.py

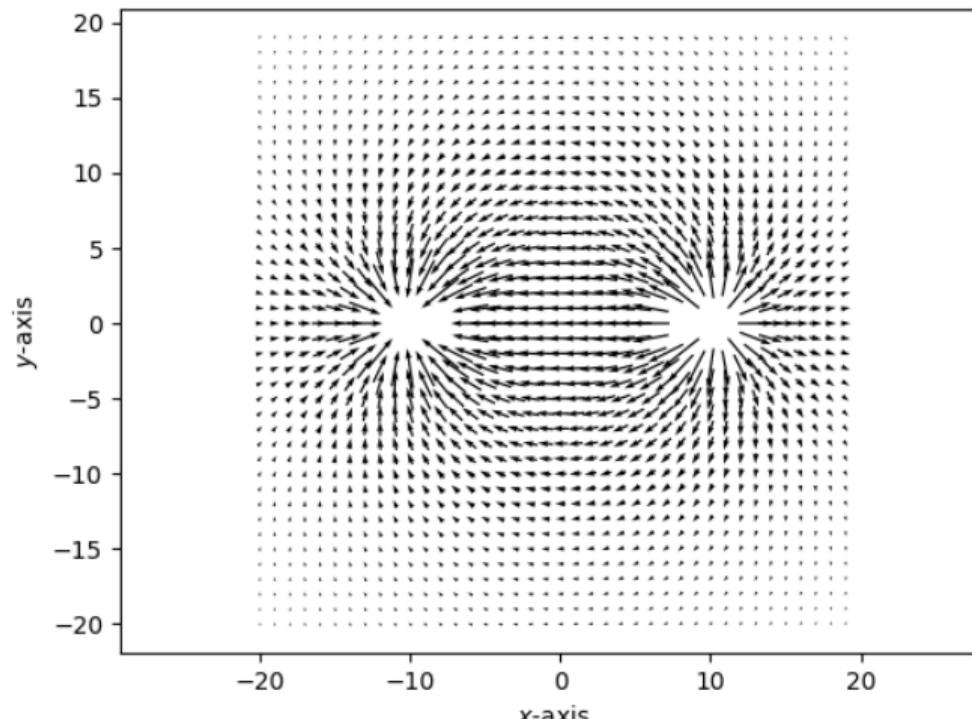
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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 # set up a normalized grid:
4 dim= 20
5 xarray= np.arange(-dim,dim)
6 yarray= np.arange(-dim,dim)
7 # (fluid) flow from a source at L to a sink at -L:
8 L = dim/2
9 x,y = np.meshgrid(xarray,yarray)
10 vx = (x-L)/((x-L)**2+y**2) - (x+L)/((x+L)**2 +y**2)
11 vy = y/((x-L)**2+y**2) - y/((x+L)**2 +y**2)
12 # plot the flow lines:
13 plt.figure()
14 plt.quiver(x,y, vx, vy, pivot='mid')
15 plt.xlabel("$x$-axis")
16 plt.ylabel("$y$-axis")
17 plt.axis('equal')
18 plt.show()
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Source: https://auckland.figshare.com/articles/dataset/Chapter_6_Divergence_of_a_vector_field/5732421

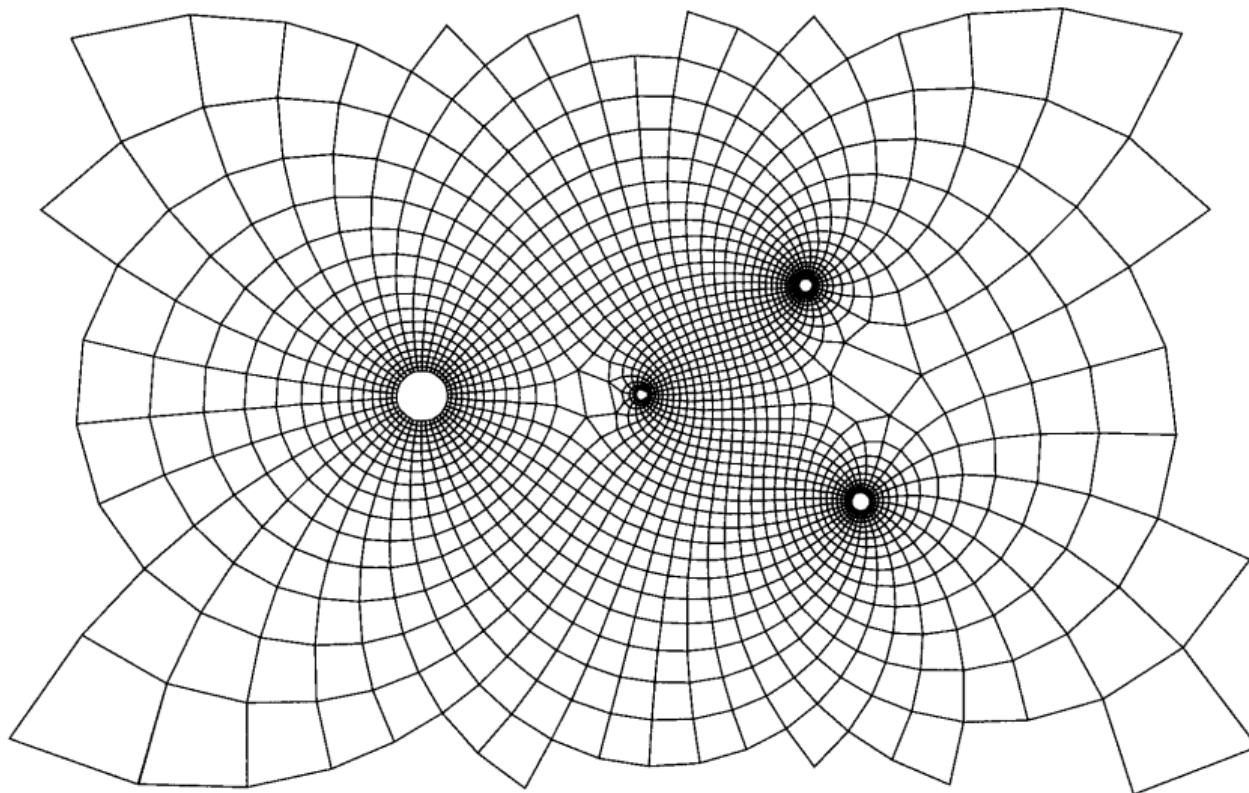
Listing: Python code for divergence-free flow (div v equals 0)

Divergenzfreie Strömung

Übung: EX04-divergenzfreie-stroemung.py



PDE: Elliptic Equation 2-D



PDE: Parabolic Equation 1-D

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \quad (19)$$

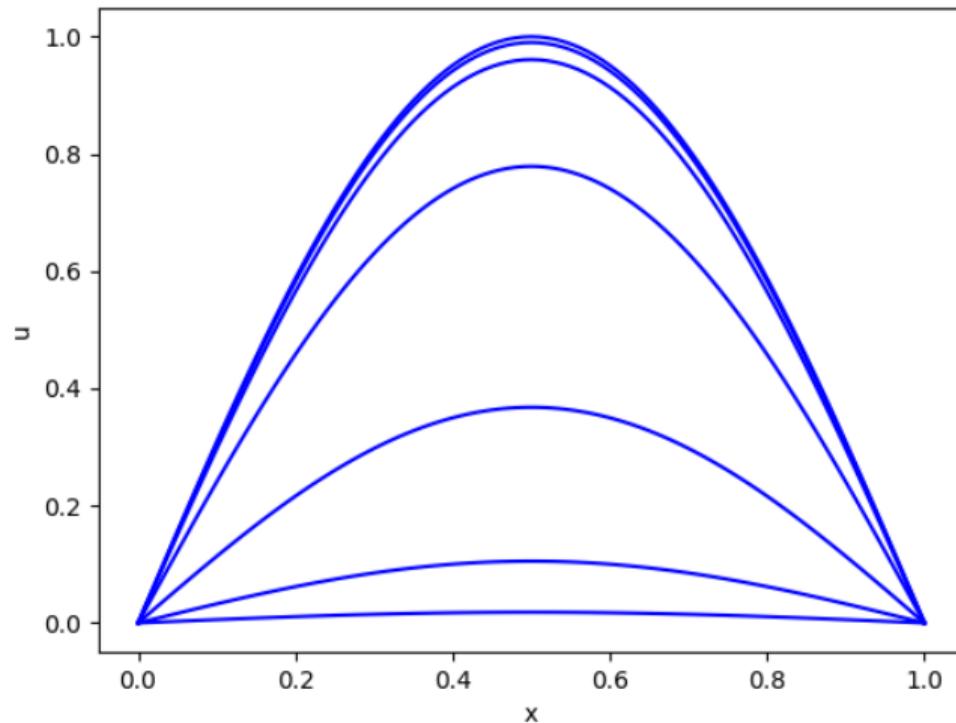
Proof the following solutions on correctness:

$$\psi(t, x) = \sin(\sqrt{\pi\alpha}x) \exp(-\pi t) \quad (20)$$

$$\psi(t, x) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\alpha}}x\right) \exp(-\pi^2 t) \quad (21)$$

$$\psi(t, x) = \sin(\pi x) \exp(-\alpha\pi^2 t) \quad (22)$$

PDE: Parabolic Equation 1-D



<https://github.com/OlafKolditz/Hydroinformatik-II/blob/master/EX06-parabolische-gleichung-1D.py>

PDE: Hyperbolic Equation 1-D

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - v_x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (23)$$

⇒ Übung

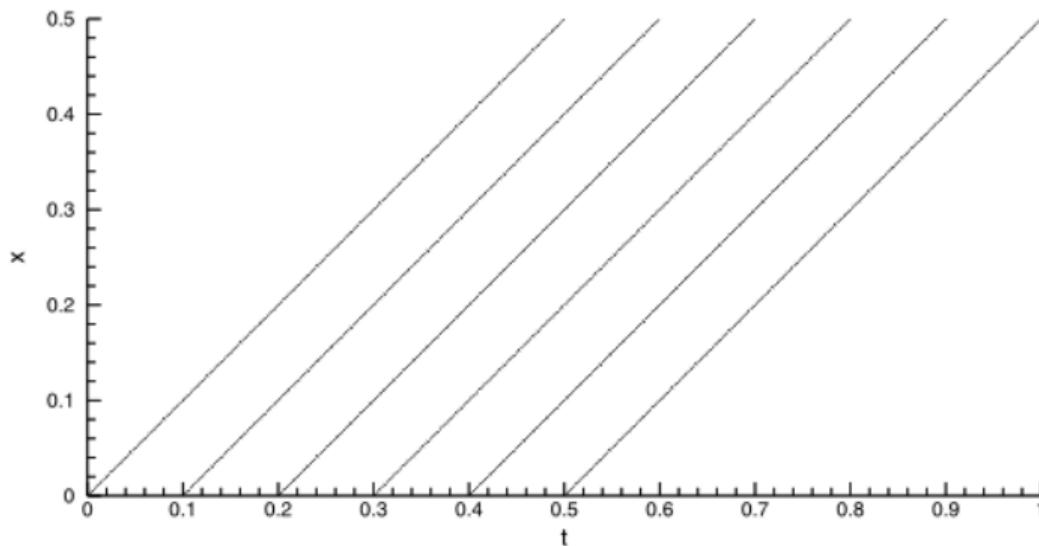
PDE: Hyperbolic Equation 1-D

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$\psi(t, x) = a \cos\left(\frac{\pi c t}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \quad (25)$$

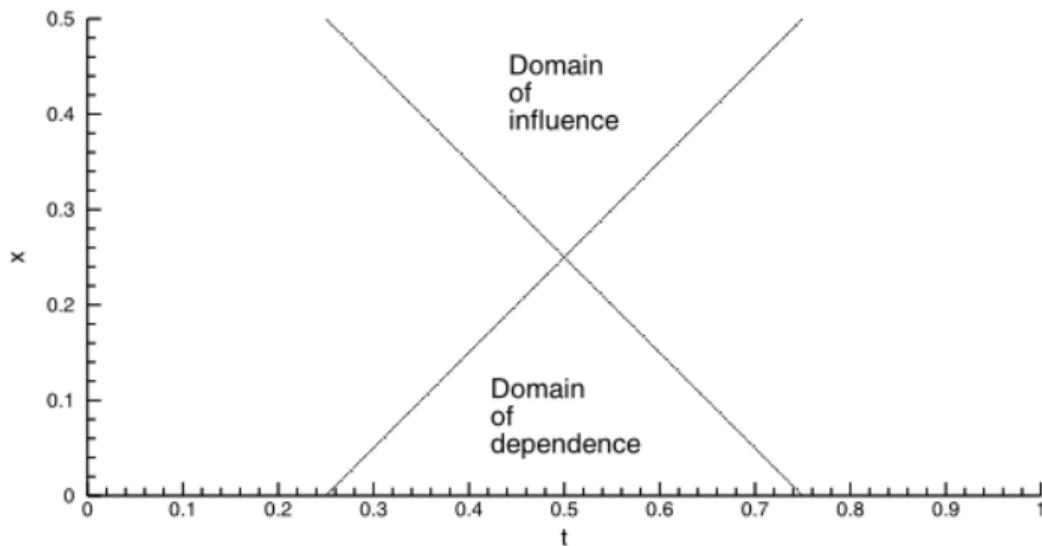
PDE: Hyperbolic Equation 1-D - Characteristics

$$A \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - B \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (26)$$



PDE: Hyperbolic Equation 1-D - Characteristics

$$A \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - B \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (27)$$



PDE: Hyperbolic-Parabolic Equation 1-D

Transportgleichung (advection-diffusion equation ADE)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - v_x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} + D_{xx} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (28)$$

⇒ Übung

PDE: Hyperbolic-Parabolic Equation 1-D

Transportgleichung (advection-diffusion equation ADE)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - v_x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} + D_{xx} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (28)$$

⇒ Übung

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi) - \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^\psi \nabla \psi) = \mathbf{Q}^\psi \quad (29)$$

PDE: Equation Types

The following table gives typical examples of balance equations for the denoted quantities and their PDE types.

Physics	Equation structure	Examples
Continuity	$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = 0$	Laplace equation
Mass/energy	$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0$	Fokker-Planck equation
Momentum	$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \psi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\alpha(\psi) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}] = 0$	Navier-Stokes equation

Boundary Conditions I

The following table gives an overview on common boundary condition types and its mathematical representation.

Table: Boundary conditions types

Type of BC	Mathematical Meaning	Physical Meaning
Dirichlet type	ψ	prescribed value potential surface
Neumann type	$\nabla\psi$	prescribed flux stream surface
Cauchy type	$\psi + A\nabla\psi$	resistance between potential and stream surface

Boundary Conditions II

To describe conditions at boundaries we can use flux expressions of conservation quantities.

Table: Fluxes through surface boundaries

Quantity	Flux term
Mass	$\rho \mathbf{v}$
Momentum	$\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} - \sigma$
Energy	$\rho e \mathbf{v} - \lambda \nabla T$

Aufgabe: Prüfen sie die Gültigkeit der Lösungen für die partiellen Differentialgleichungen: (14), (20), (21), (22), (25).

Lösungsweg: Berechnen sie hierfür die entsprechenden partiellen Ableitungen und setzen sie diese dann in die entsprechenden Gleichungen (14), (20), (21), (22), (25) ein.

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \dots , \quad \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \dots \tag{30}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \dots , \quad \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = \dots \tag{31}$$

Vorlesung

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Übungen: Hydroinformatik

Hydroinformatik II - HyBHW-1-02 <https://github.com/OlafKolditz/HYDROINFORMATIK-II>

- EX01: Jupyter Notebook
- EX02: Python: matplotlib
- EX03: Kontinuumsmechanik: Skalarprodukt
- EX04: Hydromechanik: Divergenzfreie Strömung
- EX05: Analytische Lösung: Elliptische Gleichung
- EX06: Analytische Lösung: Parabolische Gleichung (Diffusion)
- EX07: Analytische Lösung: Transportgleichung (ADE)
- EX08: Finite-Differenzen-Methode (FDM) explizit
- EX09: Finite-Differenzen-Methode (FDM) implizit
- EX10: Gerinnehydraulik

¹ Quellcode

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Listing: Quellcode für Übungen (C++ und Python)

Hausaufgaben

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Hydroinformatik II - HyBHW-1-02

- 1 Skalarprodukt: Schreiben sie das Skalarprodukt $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$ in Komponentenschreibweise.
- 2 Mechanik: Was ist $\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \psi$? Physikalische Bedeutung des Terms
- 3 Mechanik: Was ist Φ^ψ ? Physikalische Bedeutung des Terms
- 4 Hydromechanik: Komponentenschreibweise $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\psi)$
- 5 Hydromechanik: Komponentenschreibweise $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}^\psi \nabla \psi)$
- 6 Analytik: Prüfen Sie die Gültigkeit einer der Lösungen für die Diffusionsgleichung: (20), (21), (22) (siehe Vorlesung 5 >> HyBHW-S2-01-V05).
- 7 Analytik: Stellen Sie die ausgewählte analytische Lösung für die 1-D parabolische Differentialgleichung unter Verwendung der Übung EX06-parabolische-gleichung-1D.py dar. Ergänzen Sie Ihren Namen oder Matrikelnummer mit dem Befehl `plt.title("Name oder Matrikelnummer")`.
- 8 Numerik: Darstellung der numerischen Lösung (explizite FDM) für die 1-D parabolische Differentialgleichung (EX08-fdm-explicit-python). Produzieren Sie eine stabile und instabile Lösung.
- 9 Numerik: Darstellung der numerischen Lösung (implizite FDM) für die 1-D parabolische Differentialgleichung (EX09-fdm-implicit-python). Produzieren Sie die stationäre Lösung.

Hausaufgaben: Hydroinformatik

Beispiel: Aufgaben 7-9

- zum Internet-Repository gehen (Webseite)
- Python-File editieren (Matrikel-Nummer oder Name)
- Programme zum Rechnen und Darstellen ausführen
- Ergebnis (Abbildung) in die Hausaufgaben einfügen

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UW-BHW-I2: Einführung in Näherungsverfahren

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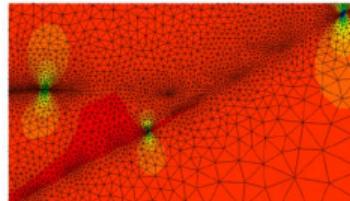
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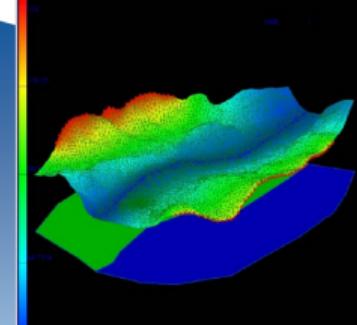
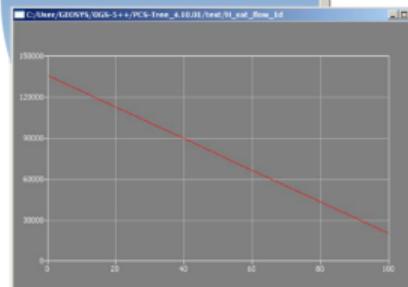
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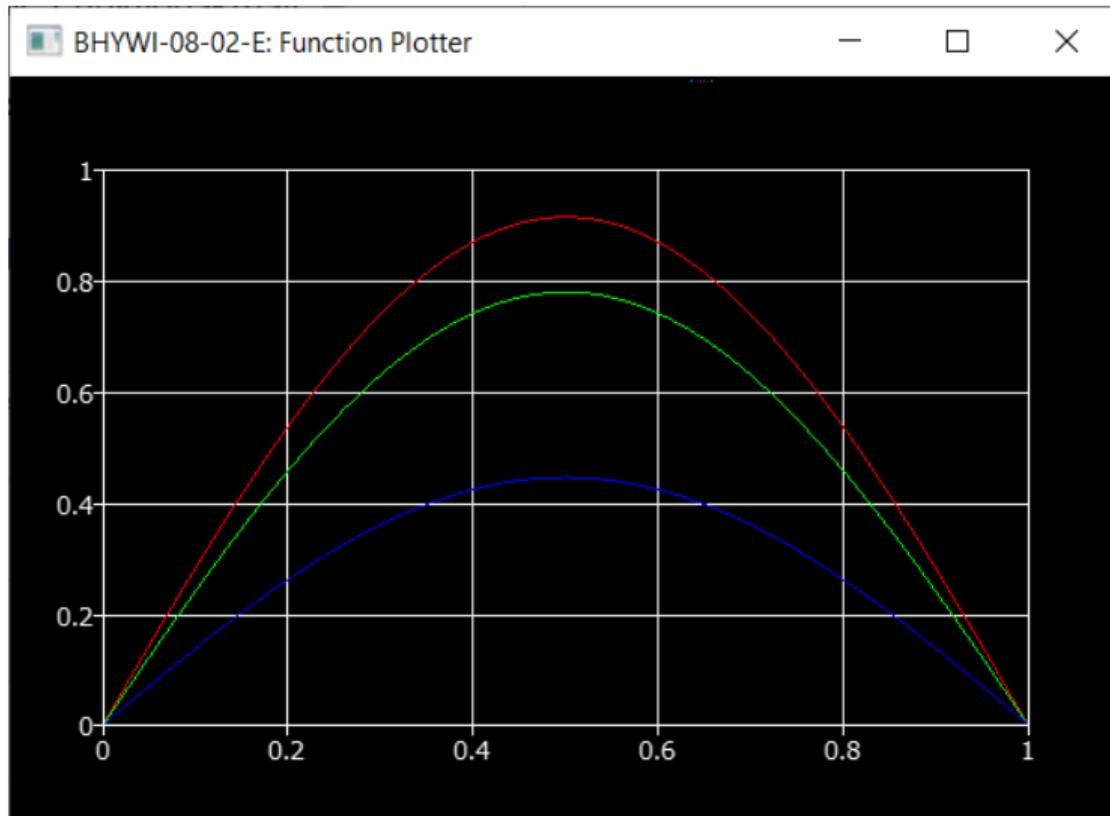
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 - 6 Lösen von Gleichungssystemen

 - 7 Finite-Differenzen-Verfahren
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Demo: Funktionsrechner

Übung: BHYWI-08-02-E: Funktionsrechner



Parabolic equation

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \quad (1)$$

Python: EX06-parabolische-Gleichung

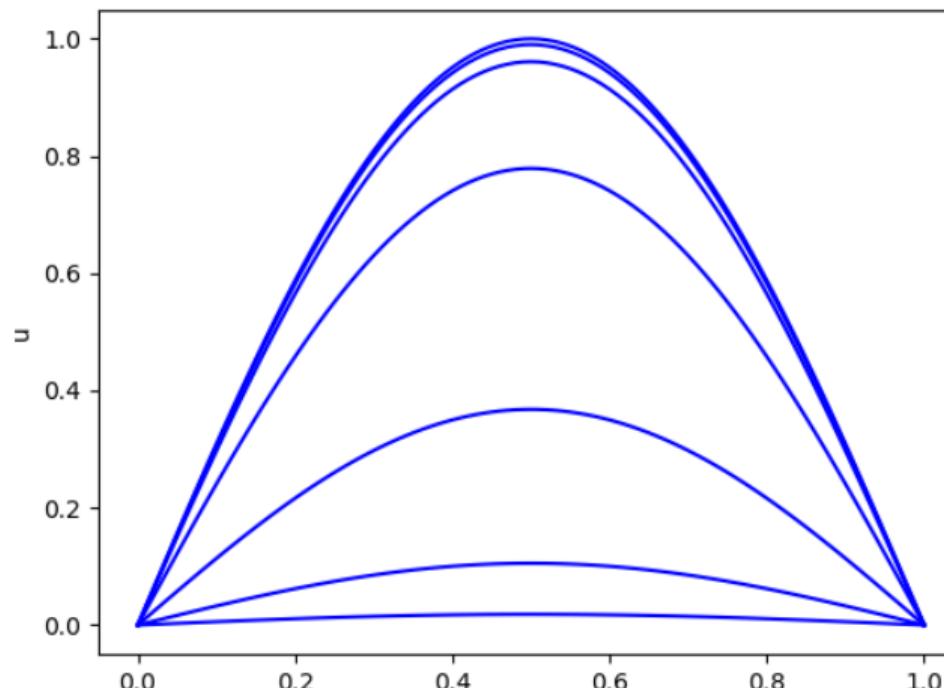
<https://github.com/OlafKolditz/Hydroinformatik-II/>

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1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 PI = 3.14159265358979323846
3 numPoints = 100
4 alpha = 1.0
5 t = [0.01,0.1,0.2,0.5,1.0,1.5,2.0]
6 x = []
7 y = []
8 for n in t:
9     for i in range(0,numPoints+1):
10         x.append(float(i)/float(numPoints))
11         #y.append(math.sin(PI*x[i]) * math.exp(-alpha*n*n))
12         y.append(math.sin(math.pi*x[i]) * math.exp(-alpha*n*n))
13     plt.plot(x,y,color='blue')
14     x = []
15     y = []
16 plt.xlabel('x')
17 plt.ylabel('u')
18 plt.axis('tight')
19 plt.savefig("diffusion-equation.png")
20 plt.show()
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Listing: Python code for parabolic equation

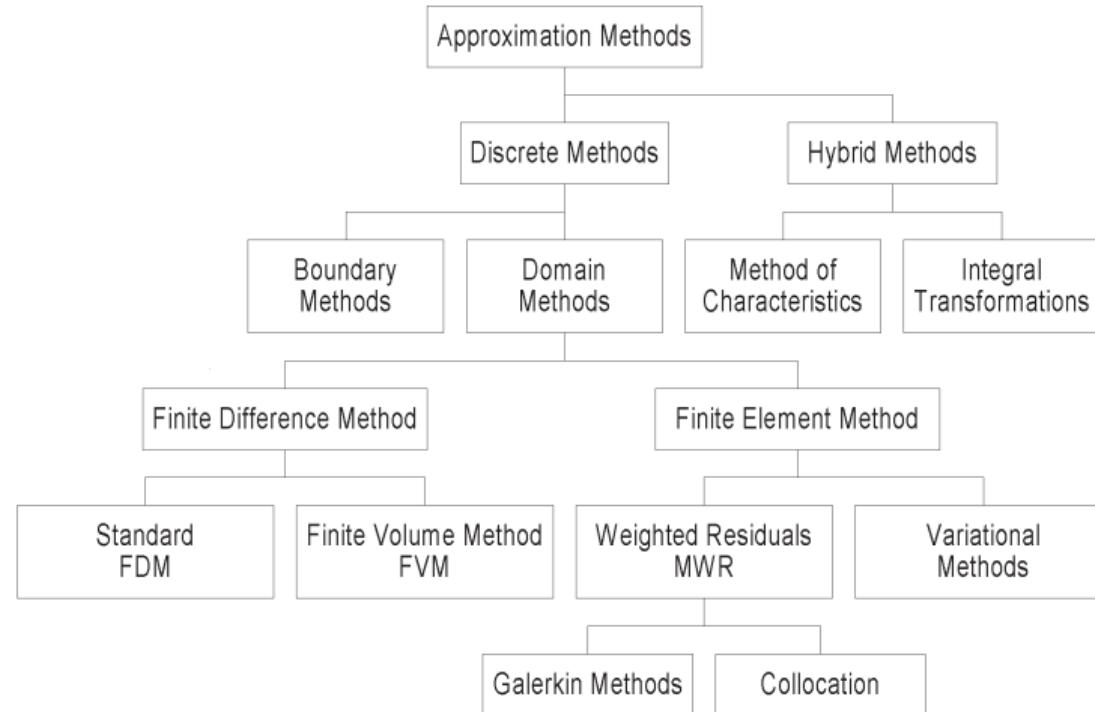
Python: EX06-parabolische-Gleichung: Funktionsrechner

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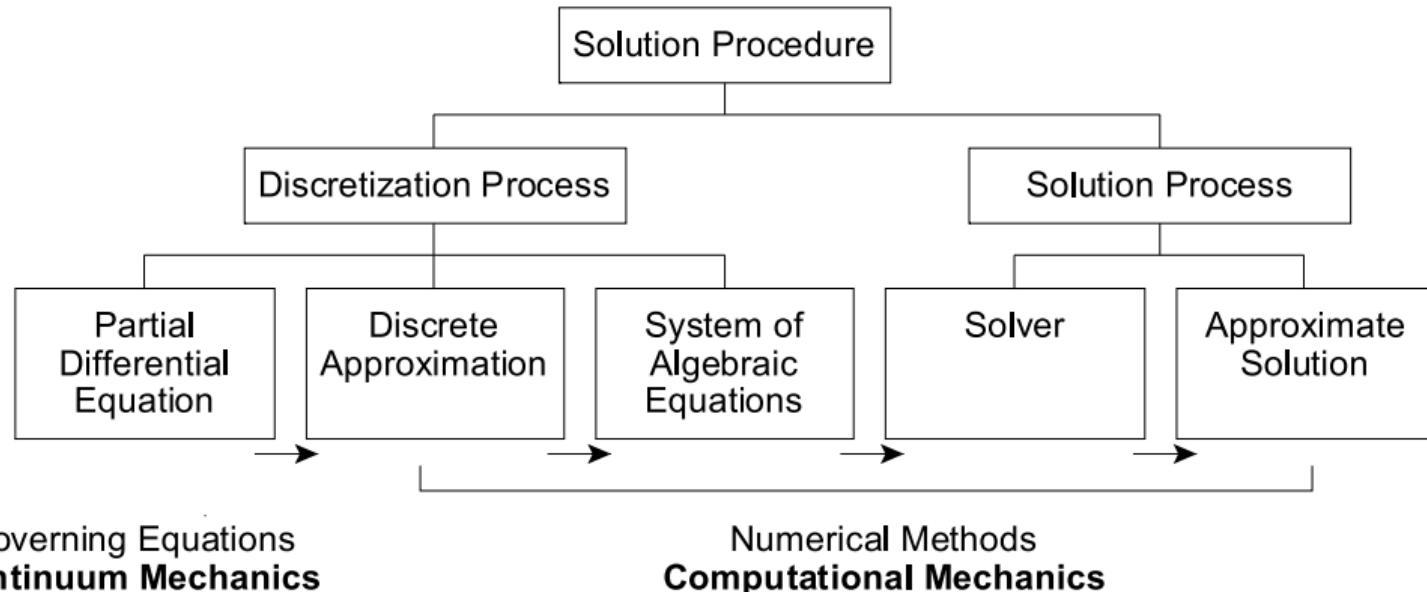


Näherungsverfahren

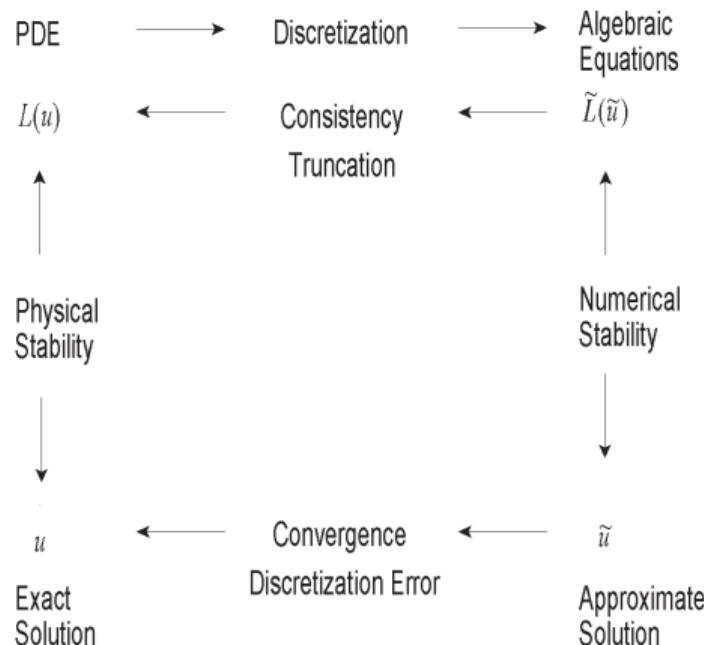
Näherungsverfahren



Lösungsverfahren



Definitionen



Definition: A solution of the algebraic equations which approximate a given PDE is said to be convergent if the approximate solution approaches the exact solution of the PDE for each value of the independent variable as the grid spacing tends to zero. Thus we require

$$\lim_{\Delta t, \Delta x \rightarrow 0} | u_j^n - u(t_n, x_j) | = 0 \quad (3)$$

Or in other words, the approximate solution converges to the exact one as the grid sizes becomes infinitely small. The difference between exact and approximate solution is the solution error, denoted by

$$\varepsilon_j^n = | u_j^n - u(t_n, x_j) | \quad (4)$$

Definition: The system of algebraic equations (SAE) generated by the discretization process is said to be consistent with the original partial differential equation (PDE) if, in the limit that the grid spacing tends to zero, the SAE is equivalent to the PDE at each grid point. Thus we require

$$\lim_{\Delta t, \Delta x \rightarrow 0} | \tilde{L}(u_j^n) - L(u[t_n, x_j]) | = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \alpha \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (6)$$

- ▶ Courant-Zahl

$$Cr = \frac{v \Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1 \quad (7)$$

- ▶ Peclet-Zahl

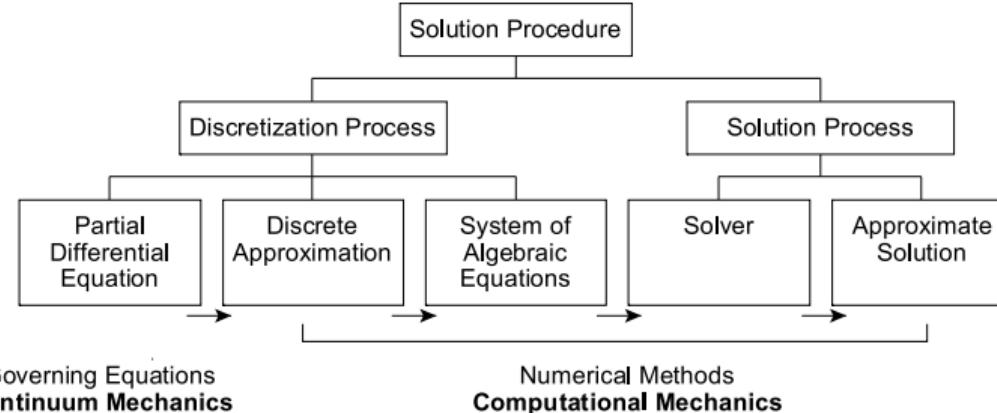
$$Pe = \frac{v \Delta x}{\alpha} \leq 2 \quad (8)$$

- ▶ Neumann-Zahl

$$Ne = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad (9)$$

$$0 < Cr^2 < Ne < 1$$

Gleichungssysteme



$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (11)$$

The following list reveals an overview on existing methods for solving linear algebraic equation systems.

- ▶ Direct methods
 - ▶ **Gaussian elimination**
 - ▶ Block elimination (to reduce memory requirements for large problems)
 - ▶ Cholesky decomposition
 - ▶ Frontal solver
- ▶ Iterative methods
 - ▶ Linear steady methods (Jacobian, **Gauss-Seidel**, Richardson and block iteration methods)
 - ▶ Gradient methods (CG) (also denoted as Krylov subspace methods)

Lösen linearer Gleichungen

Application of direct methods to determine the solution of equation

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{b} \quad (12)$$

requires an efficient techniques to invert the system matrix.

As a first example we consider the Gaussian elimination technique. If matrix \mathbf{A} is not singular (i.e. $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$), can be composed in following way.

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U} \quad (13)$$

with a permutation matrix \mathbf{P} and the lower \mathbf{L} as well as the upper matrices \mathbf{U} in triangle forms.

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{n1} & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & \cdots & u_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & u_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

Lösen linearer Gleichungen - Direkte Verfahren

Gauss-Verfahren (Eliminierungsverfahren)

► 1

$$a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 = b_1 \quad (15)$$

$$a_{21}u_1 + a_{22}u_2 = b_2 \quad (16)$$

► 2

$$a_{21}\frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}u_1 + a_{22}\frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}u_2 = \frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}b_2 \quad (17)$$

► 3: (19) - (17)

$$\left(\frac{a_{22}a_{11}}{a_{21}} - a_{12} \right) u_2 = \frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}b_2 - b_1 \quad (18)$$

► 4

$$u_2 = \frac{\frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}b_2 - b_1}{\frac{a_{22}a_{11}}{a_{21}} - a_{12}} \quad (19)$$

Lösen linearer Gleichungen - Iterative Verfahren

High resolution FEM leads to large equation systems with sparse system matrices. For this type of problems iterative equation solver are much more efficient than direct solvers. Concerning the application of iterative solver we have to distinguish between symmetrical and non-symmetrical system matrices with different solution methods. The efficiency of iterative algorithms, i.e. the reduction of iteration numbers, can be improved by the use of pre-conditioning techniques).

Symmetric Matrices	Non-symmetric Matrices
CG	BiCG
Lanczos	CGStab
Gauss-Seidel , Jacobian, Richards	GMRES
SOR and block-iteration	CGNR

The last two rows of solver for symmetric problems belong to the linear steady iteration methods. The algorithms for solving non-symmetrical systems are also denoted as Krylov subspace methods.