

# Potential problems with HYDRA

Basis and application of the Potential Theory for  
temperature conductors and ground water currents

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# Potential problems

- Classical potential problem
  - Heat conduction (convection)  
incl. radiation border conditions
  - Ground water currents
  - Electrical and magnetical fields
  - Membrane-Solutions
  - Torsions/Shear problems at the cross-section
- However not solvable
  - Navier-Stokes Equations (Fluid-Mechanic)
  - Bi-Potential equations (Slabs, disks)
  - Transport problems (convection, aggressive substance diffusion)

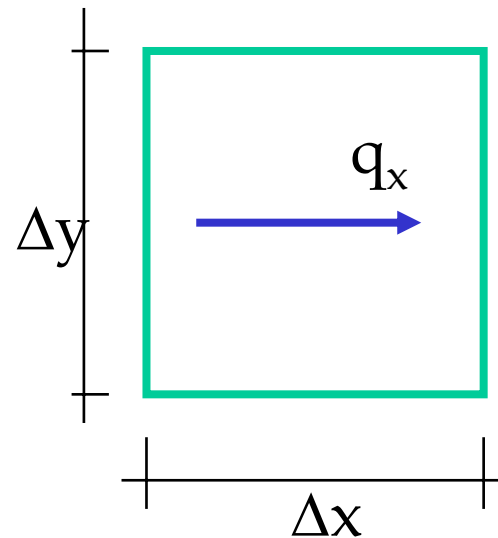
# Heat conduction 2D

Searched:  
Temperature field  $T(x,y)$

Heat conductivity  $k$

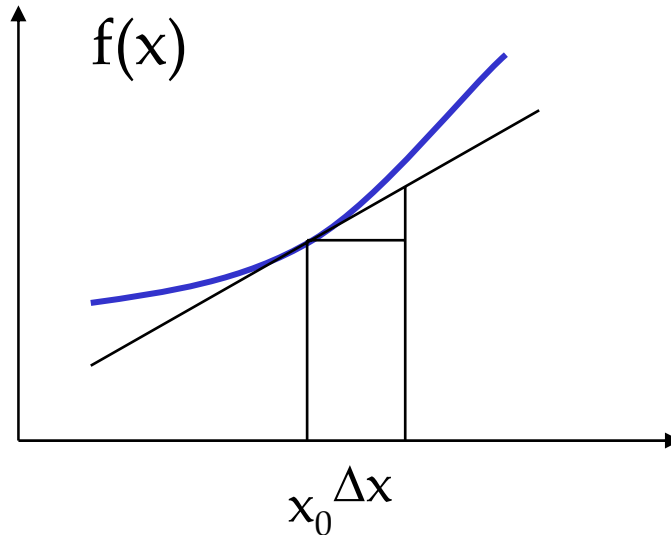
$$q_x = k \cdot \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta x} \Rightarrow q_x = k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$

$$q_y = k \cdot \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta y} \Rightarrow q_y = k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}$$



Partial Differential

# Series expansion

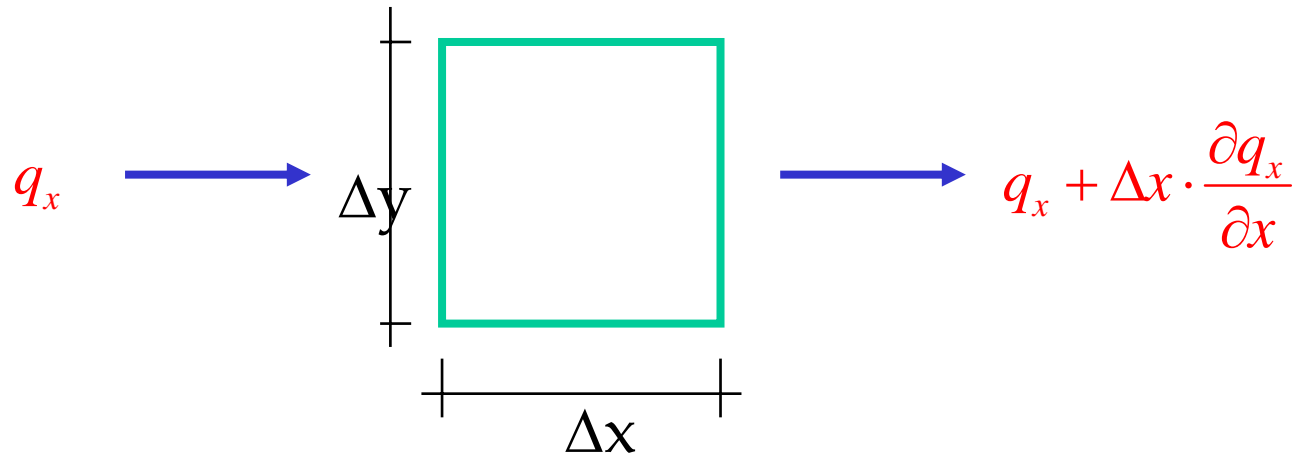


$$f(x + \Delta x) = f(x_0) + \Delta x \cdot \frac{df(x_0)}{dx} + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2!} \cdot \frac{d^2 f(x_0)}{dx^2} + \dots$$

*Taylorreihe*

(für  $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$  Any term of a higher order disappears!)

# Amounts of heat



$$\Delta y \cdot \left( q_x + \Delta x \cdot \frac{\partial q_x}{\partial x} - q_x \right) + \Delta x \cdot \left( q_y + \Delta y \cdot \frac{\partial q_y}{\partial y} - q_y \right) = 0$$

# Laplace Differential equations

$$\Delta y \cdot \left( q_x + \Delta x \cdot \frac{\partial q_x}{\partial x} - q_x \right) + \Delta x \cdot \left( q_y + \Delta y \cdot \frac{\partial q_y}{\partial y} - q_y \right) = 0$$

$$q_x = k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \quad q_y = k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( k \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot \Delta T = 0$$

# Solving the Laplace-Equation

- Analytical  
Any function of a complex variable in the Real- and imaginary part represent a solution of the Laplace DGL. (conform representation)

$$F(z) = g(z) + i * h(z)$$

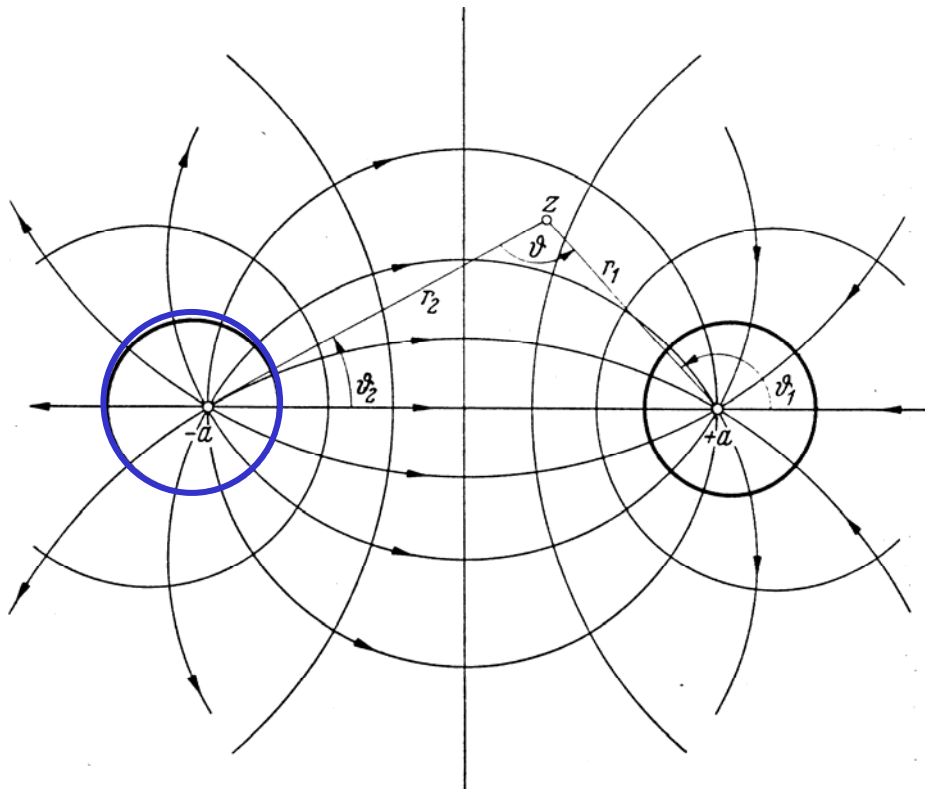
i.e.

$$\text{Ln}(z) = \ln(x^2+y^2) + i * \text{atan} (y/z)$$

# Two point current

- By combining the functions further solutions appear:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{z+a}{z-a} \right)$$



# Solving the Laplace-Equation

- Problem: Border conditions  
Apart from a few cases, it's not possible to find simple functions which comply with the border conditions.
- Principal solution possibilities:  
Several functions are taken in order to try to comply approximately with the border conditions – either average or point-wise. (here not in deep)  
Example: Integral equation procedure



# Alternative wording

- Variation computation  
Integral over the area  $\Omega$  and the border  $\Gamma$

$$\iint k \cdot \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)^2 + k \cdot \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)^2 d\Omega - \int q \cdot T d\Gamma = \textit{Minimum}$$

A little support:

The kinetic energy is as you know  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$

It looks as if this is also an energy term.



# Mathematical terms

- **Scalable Field**

A scalable size  $U$ , which has certain (unique) values at any point of the room, is called a scalable field (i.e. temperature, potential, stress)

- **Vector field**

A size  $u$ , which has been defined as vector at any point of the room (i.e. displacement, current velocities) is called a vector field



# Mathematical terms

- By the derivation of a scalable field one receives i.a. a vector field

$$u = \text{grad}U = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Mathematical terms

- A conservative or potential field is a vector field in which the curve integral  $\int_C \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  is independent of the integration way between two points A and B.
- A conservative field is free of eddies which means the circling integral with  $A=B$  equals zero.
- However, if two sources are in the system, the circling integral equals to the sum of the sources (eddies).
- Note:  
Usually the potential is only unique when a reference value was given

# Mathematical terms

- By the derivation of a vector field we receive a divergence and a rotation

$$\operatorname{div} u = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\operatorname{rot} u = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \end{array} \right]$$

# Mathematical terms

- The Laplace-equation can also be written down:

$$\Delta U = \operatorname{div} \operatorname{grad} U$$

- **Maximum principle**

A conservative field always takes on the largest and the smallest potential value on the border.

- **Natural border conditions**

On the borders where references were not given (free border) we have the border conditions that the current is vertical 0 to the border.

# Heat conduction

$$\operatorname{div}(-K \cdot \operatorname{grad} T) = q - \rho \cdot c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$



- Potential = Temperature T  
(Kelvin or Celsius or Fahrenheit don't matter)
- Gradient = Temperature down gradient [Kelvin/m]
- Conductivity K in [W/Kelvin/m]
- Heat stream v = Conductivity \* Gradient [W/m<sup>2</sup>]
- Density [kg/m<sup>3</sup>] and specific Heat capacity c<sub>p</sub> [W/K/kg] are combined to S [W/K/ m<sup>3</sup>]
- Possible conversion with 1 kcal = 4186.8 Wsec

# Border conditions

- Temperature  $T = T_0$
- Stream line  $v = -K \text{ grad } T = v_0$   
especially the adiabate border with  $v \cdot n = 0$
- Interim conditions (Interface element)  
$$v = \alpha ( T - T_u )$$
- Radiation border conditions (Boltzmann-Law)  
$$v = \varepsilon K ( T^4 - T_u^4 )$$
- Temperature depending material constants

# Example cooling off

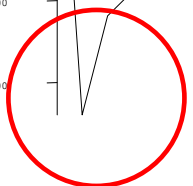
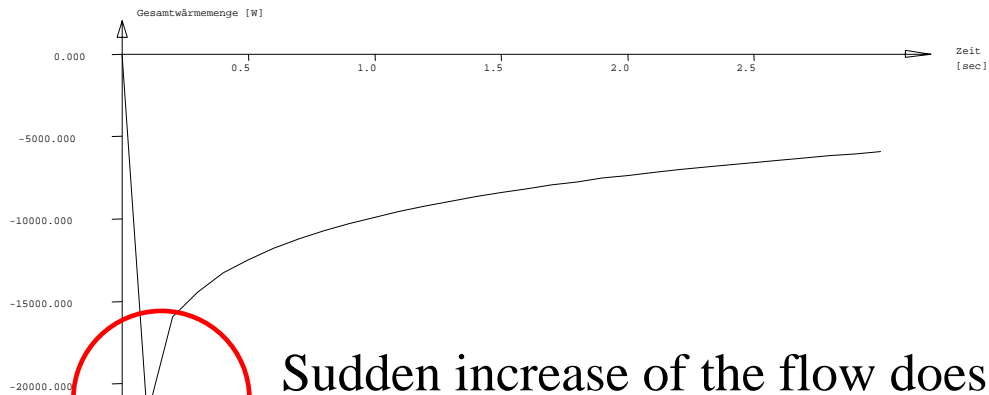
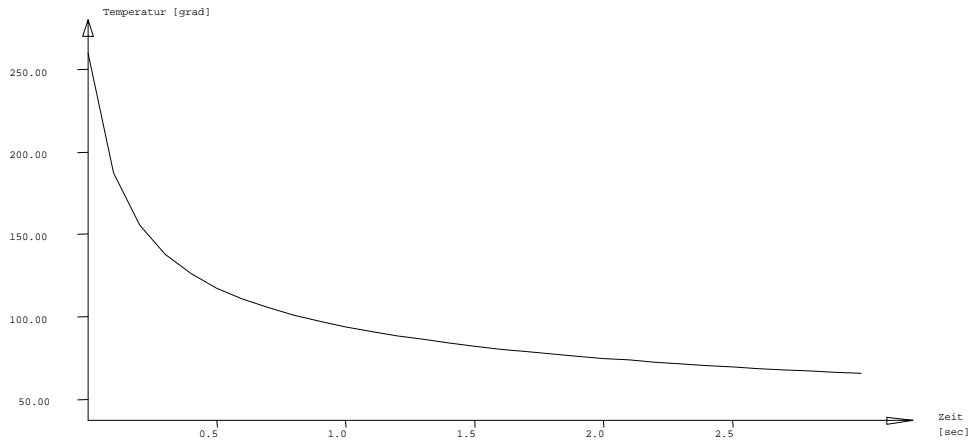


- A hot block is thrown into a cooling off bath (HYDRA – Manual 6.2.2.)

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LF 4 ; PLF HP 260 ; STEU SCON 2
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- A lap (hop) is in the heat stream, therefore the time steps should be changed dynamically (HOPT).

# Temperature course



Sudden increase of the flow does require smaller time step

# Example: Behavior in case of fire

- HYDRA Example 6.2.3.
- Steel loses its resistance in the case of fire.
- Therefore steel is often cased with concrete, which keeps off the heat.
- To proof the resistance the temperature course after 90 min is required (fire resistance F90)





# Parameters for analysis

- Time (in-stationary) analysis
- Standard fire curve  $T=T(t)$
- Radiation border condition
- Temperature depending conductivities
- Evaporation of the interstitial fluids in the concrete at 100 degrees



# HYDRA - Highlights

- In-stationary analysis with automatical selection of the time step
- Continuation of primary states  
(Changing of the border conditions or re-treating of the concrete)
- Equilibrating the amounts group-wise
- Temperature depending material constants
- Radiation border conditions
- Analysis of the time course of any sizes for DYNR (GRAF-Licence)
- Taking over the loads in ASE/TALPA



# HYDRA – Drawbacks

- Insolvable: Convection problems
  - Exhaust of smoke gases
  - Hot water heater
  - Up current
- Not yet solvable: Limit load of cross section
  - Special program for Geilinger round supports
  - Workaround:  
different materials in AQUA
  - FEM-Cross section in AQUA/AQB planned



# Ground water currents

$$\operatorname{div}(-K \cdot \operatorname{grad} H) = q - S \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial t}$$



- Potential = standpipe level  $H$  [m] = Sum of
  - Geodatical height  $z$
  - Pressure height  $p/\gamma$
  - velocity height  $v^2/2g$Name due to measurability of free water levels
- Gradient = Potential down gradient [m/m]
- Conductivity  $K$  acc. to Darcy in [m/sec]
- Velocity  $v$  = Conductivity \* Gradient [m/sec]
- Accumulation coefficient [1/m]

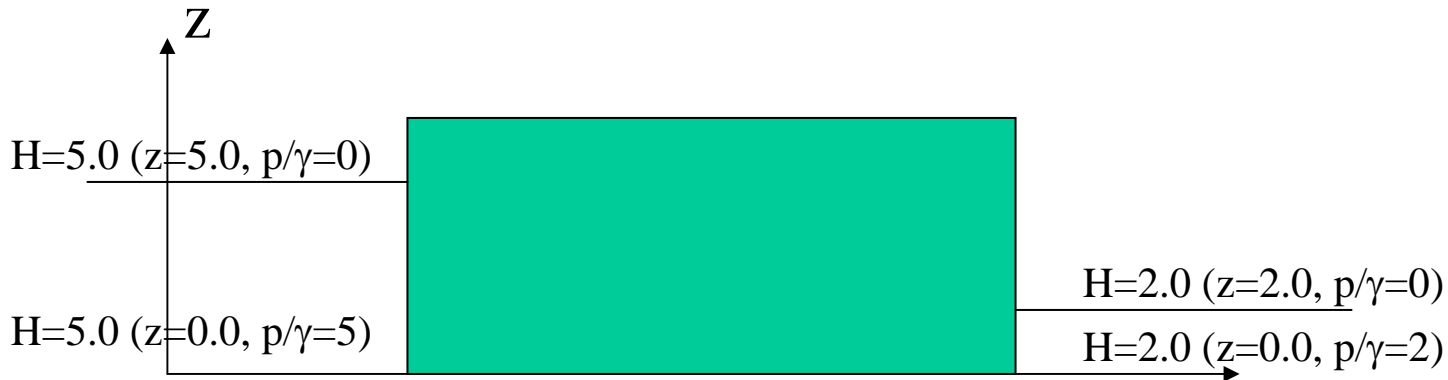
# Accumulation coefficient S

- Indicates how much fluid can be stored in a volume if the pressure changes
  - Portion due to compression of the aggregate structure
  - Portion due to compression of the fluid
  - Portion due to filling up the dry cavities
- Last portion, If present, about 3 to 5 to the tenth power larger
- Extreme complex task: This portion should be analyzed in 3D.



# Potential

- Current takes place from the high to the low potential
- Potential is constant for any meshed borders



# Dead load direction

- Factor has effect on the geodatical height this means: that is the potential has the same value!



# Border conditions



- Potential value  $H = H_0$
- Stream line  $v = v_0$   
Especially the impermeable border with  $v^n=0$
- Percolation area  $H = z$  or  $p = 0$   
(automatical control  $Q < 0$  in nodes)
- Free surface (Position is not known in advance)
- Leakage border conditions (Interface element)  
$$v = \alpha ( H - H_u )$$
- Integral well conditions  $\Sigma Q = Q_0$
- Pressure depending material constants to describe the partially saturated currents

# Special elements

- Dupuit-Hypothesis  
For large ground water conductors the vertical variation of the potential can be neglected.
- The approximated horizontal QUAD element has a one-sided thickness (Circulation wise!) and therefore it can be analyzed stressed or with free surface.



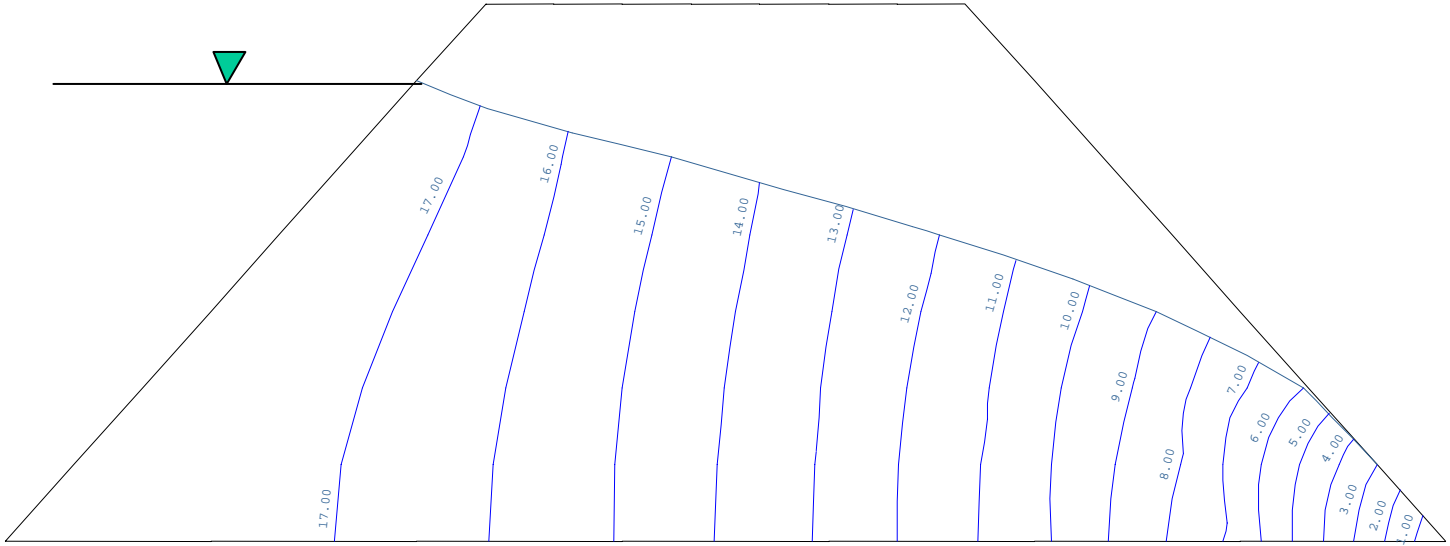
# Pipe- and drain channel elements

- Non-linear element

$$\Delta h = \lambda \cdot \frac{L \cdot v^2}{R \cdot 8 \cdot g}$$

- Fully filled pipe acc. to Prandtl-Colebrook
- Open drain channel acc. to Darcy-Weißbach
- Special program ROHR
  - Only stationary
  - But erg Pumps, vaulves

# Example: Dam percolating currents



# HYDRA - Highlights

- In-stationary analysis with automatical selection of the time step
- Continuation of primary states (Changing of border conditions)
- Equilibrating the amounts group-wise
- Stress depending material constants
- Partially saturated currents
- Also pipes and open channel drainages
- Analysis of time course of any size for DYNR (with GRAF License)
- Taking over the current pressures in ASE/TALPA



# HYDRA – Highlights

- Special model for Dupuit hypothesis
- Well border conditions
- Non-linear elasto-plastic models (Forchheimer/Misbach)
- Special modeling ground water models (every node has own constants)

Drawback: No proper gauging



# Special notes

- SYST – Entry of amounts and time dimensions
- STEU – Many options for convergence
- Iterative solver without special approval
- Distance velocity  $v_a = v/n$   
i.e. for drinking water protection zones
- Surfaces for border conditions for volume elements
- Loads (GRUP)  
Pressure difference = current pressure + hydrostatic uplift
- $P = -\gamma_w \text{ grad } (H - z)$

# Possible problems

- Range (Sichardt)  
Any solution with the logarithm has to have a given potential reference value – in the finite (3D in infinite or non-critical)
- Difference of the permeability can become very large
- Steep free surfaces are numerically sensitive
- Dryness latches due to false primary state or border conditions
- Percolation / partially saturated currents

# Entry

- Second run for a statical system giving the materials and border conditions in HYDRA.
- Complete CADINP-Entry with RAST/CUBE in HYDRA, linear regression of the parameters is possible.
- MONET supports HYDRA for ground water (not perfectly, but substantially)
- SOFiMSHB  
The border conditions can be applied to SOFiMSHB/SOFiPLUS structures (Lines/area numbers)



# Seminar lectures about HYDRA

- Brandverhalten nach EC (Katz, Vol. I S. 361)  
“Behavior in the case of fire acc. to EC”
- Der Boden als Wärmespeicher  
(Friedl/Fahrendholz Vol. III S 363)  
“The soil as heat storage”
- Dammberechnungen (Linse, 2000 Vol. IV)  
“Embanqument analysis”
- Hydratation von massiven Bauwerken  
(Fritsche/Bödefeldt, 2001 Vol. IV )  
“Hydration of massive structures”
- As well as porjects Büro Katz & Bellmann
  - Sluice Eberswalde for BAW
  - Building pits in Berlin Potsdammer Platz
  - Ground water model Airport MUC

