



## Einladung

Im Rahmen des Schwerpunktskolloquiums „Analysis und Numerik“ hält

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am **Donnerstag, dem 18. Oktober 2012**, einen Vortrag zum Thema:

### Continuous and Discrete Helmholtz-type Decompositions

Der Vortrag findet um **17:00 Uhr** in Raum **F 426** statt.

Es wird Gelegenheit gegeben, sich vorher (ab 16.30 Uhr)  
im Common Center F 441 bei Tee und Kaffee zu treffen.

Alle Interessenten sind herzlich eingeladen.

Andrea Barjasic

Beauftragte für das Kolloquium

**Abstract:** The term Helmholtz-type decomposition of  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{curl}, \Omega)$  refers to stable splittings of the form  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{curl}, \Omega) + (H^1(\Omega))^3 + \mathbf{grad} H^1(\Omega)$ . First mentioned in a work by Birman and Solomyak, splittings of this type have quickly become a key tool in both the theoretical and numerical analysis of  $\mathbf{curl}$ -conforming vectorfields and related variational boundary value problems. They proved instrumental in

- the investigation of extension theorems and trace spaces for  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{curl}, \Omega)$ ,
- the derivation and regularity and compactness results
- the analysis of boundary integral formulations related to Maxwell's equations,
- the design of auxiliary space preconditioners for  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{curl}, \Omega)$ -elliptic variational boundary value problems
- the development of a multigrid convergence theory for edge elements.

My presentation will start with a proof of the existence of Helmholtz-type decompositions. Then I am going to outline a few of the applications.

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