# Calculation of building damage due to high groundwater levels with the model GRUWAD

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# Groundwater situation in the city of Dresden - Groundwater-surface distance at different times

11/2000 (MW)

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## Structural Model GRUWAD







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## Groundwater flow model



#### **River flood:**

Boundary condition of groundwater flow model

#### **Rising groundwater:**

Groundwater flow are calculated

- in consideration of the river flood
- by finite-volume method
- in 3 dimensions (PCGEOFIM)

Source: Dresden Groundwater Research Centre (DGFZ e.V.)







#### vulnerability of buildings

# Identification of building types









vulnerability of buildings

## Residential building: fraction of floor area

		Urban-Structure-Type						
		free standing buildings (with one main entrance)				lines and blocks of buildings (each with one entrance)		
		single unit	multi unit			single unit	multi unit	
		EE	HM	L	ME	ER	MRG	MRO
<b>before 1870</b> timber frame construction	1							
<b>before 1870</b> brickwork	2			L2				
<b>1870-1918</b> brickwork	3	EE3			ME3		MR3	
<b>1919-1945</b> basically brickwork	4	EE4			ME4	ER4	MR4	
<b>1946-1990</b> brickwork	5	EE5					MR5	
<b>1970-1990</b> prefab. concrete building	6				ME6		MR6	
<b>after 1990</b> basically brickwork	7	EE7			ME7	ER7	MR7	

fraction of floor area differentiated by building types:





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Depth-damage function due to groundwater inundation - Procedure to generate the depth-damage functions







Depth-damage function due to groundwater inundation - floodsteps groundwater



water and moisture damages

due to groundwater inundation caused by:

- leakage through basement wall, bottom of cellar
- leakage on house service connections





vulnerability of buildings

#### Depth-damage function of residential building - examples of single and multi family houses

EΕ

- single family, detached houses
- differentiate by construction period

#### MR

- multi family, terraced houses
- differentiate by construction period





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#### Calculation Module of GRUWAD





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#### results of the calculation

# Subterranean building damage - caused by groundwater inundation







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## Conclusions

- Damage calculation with the model GRUWAD is based on the level of building polygon → high spatial resolution of the damage simulation
- The risks of groundwater inundation may be determined for different intensities and frequencies of surface water floods.
- The calculation of depth-damage function based on a synthetic method. The advantages are especially site specific formulation, consistency of the calculation of refurbishment as well as the possible implementation of mitigation measures.
- The results of damage modelling are a basis for cost benefit analysis.
- The modular system can be adapted to the available database and to specific objectives.









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