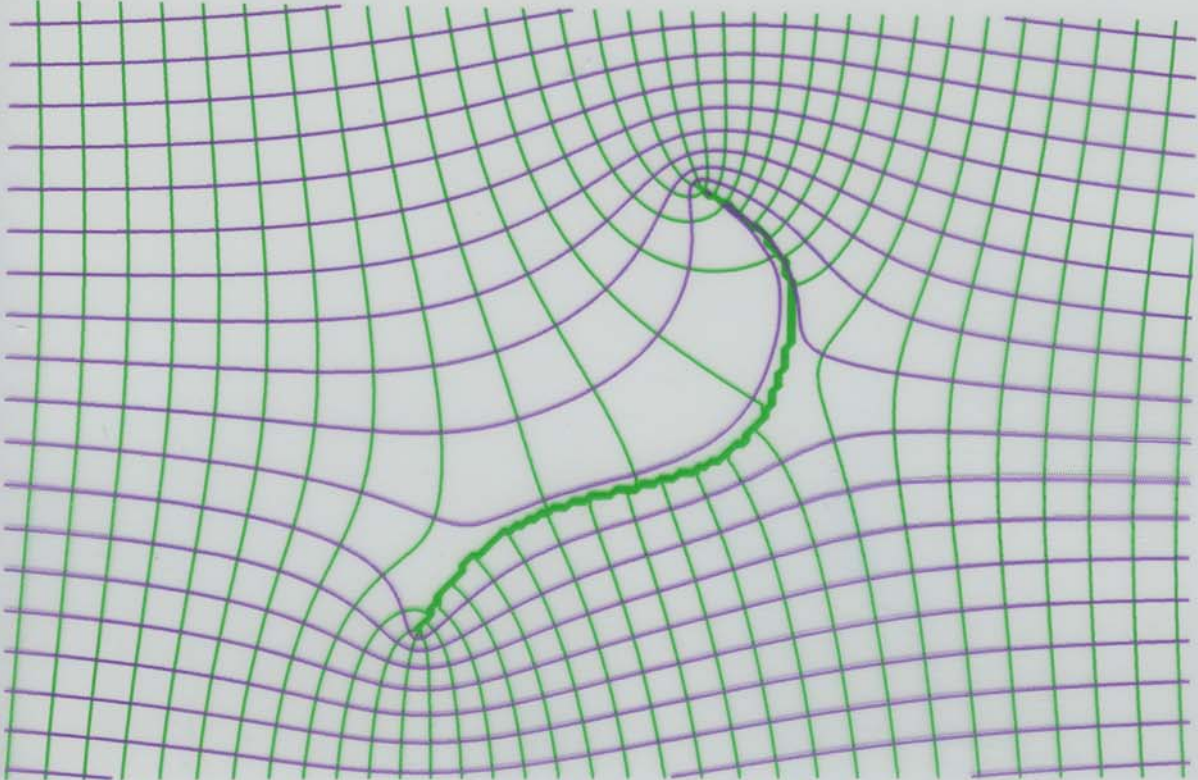


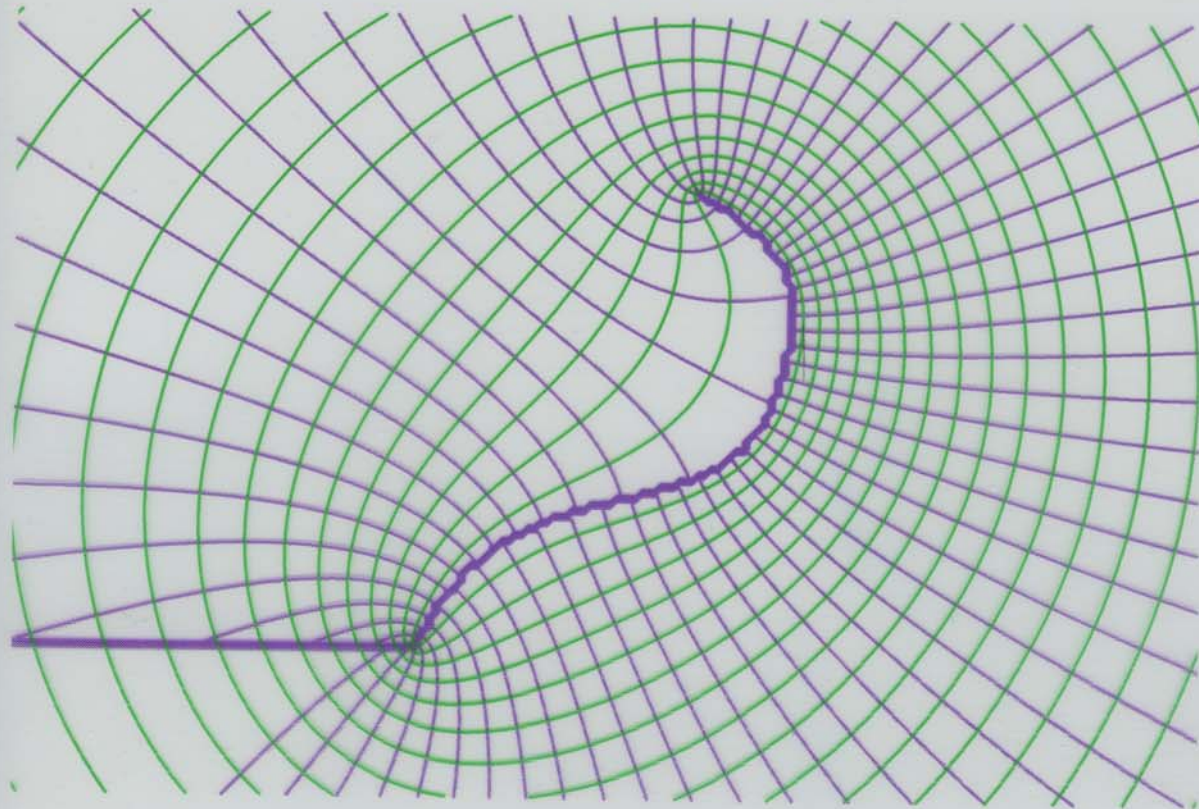
# Groundwater Modeling using the Analytic Element Method

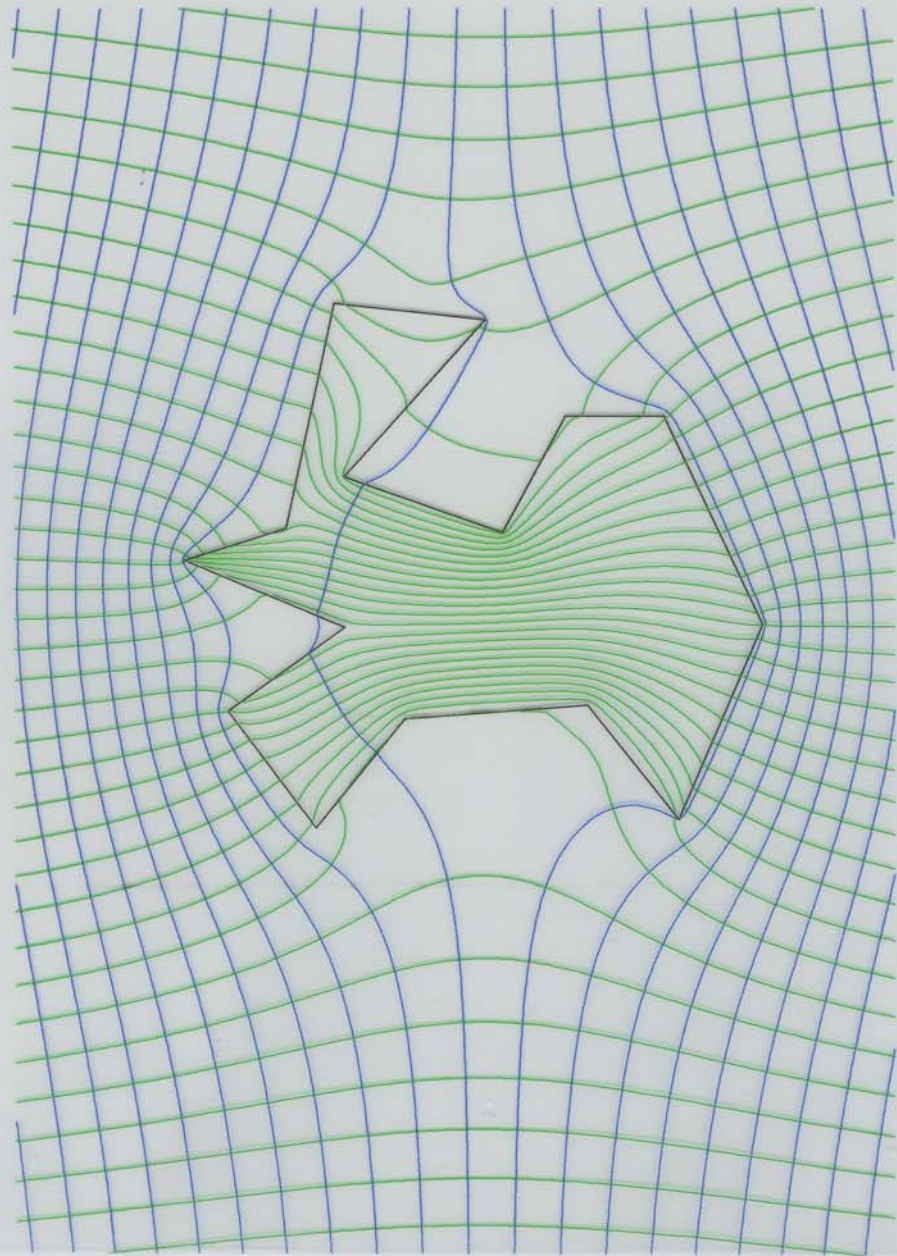
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# Leaky Wall



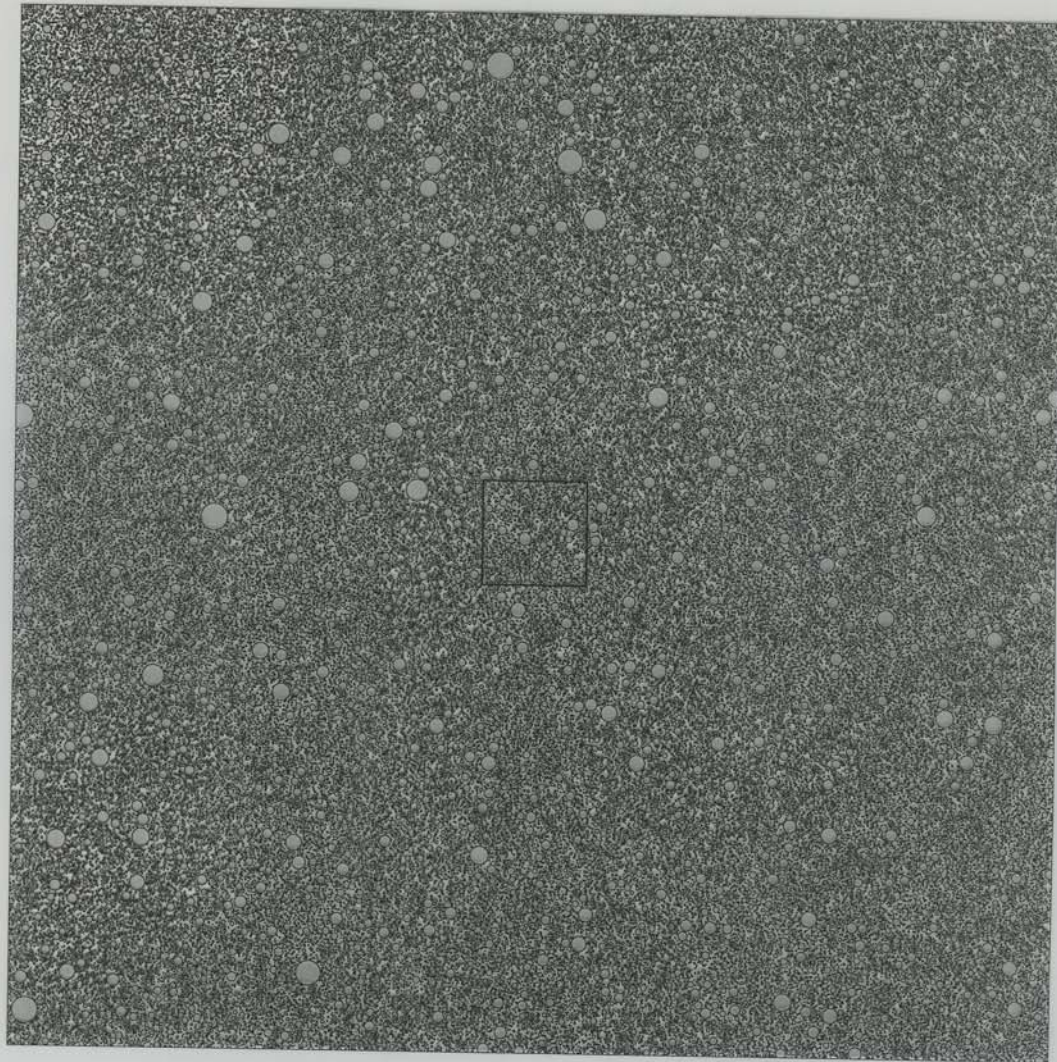
# Line Sink





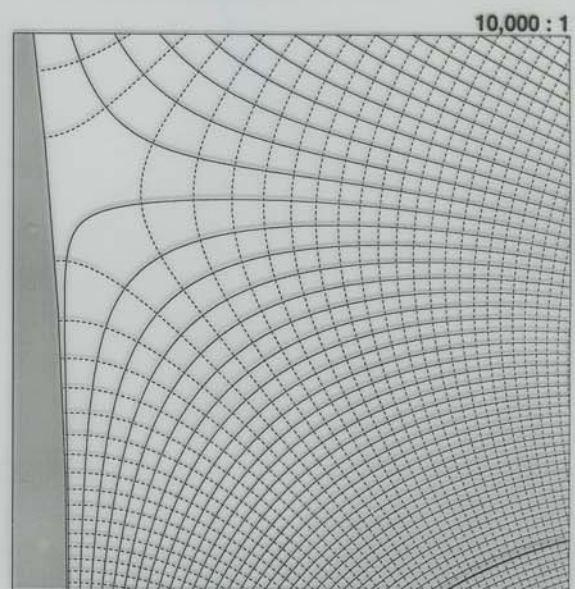
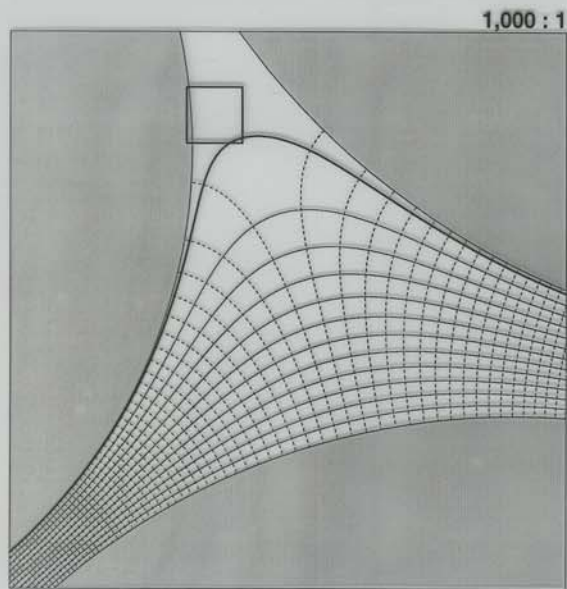
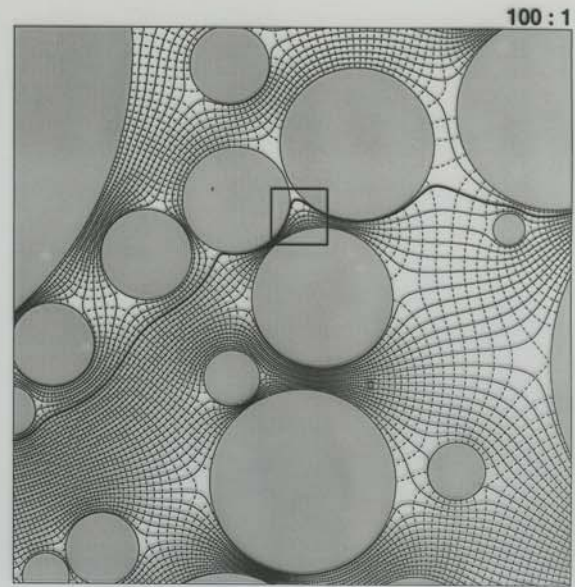
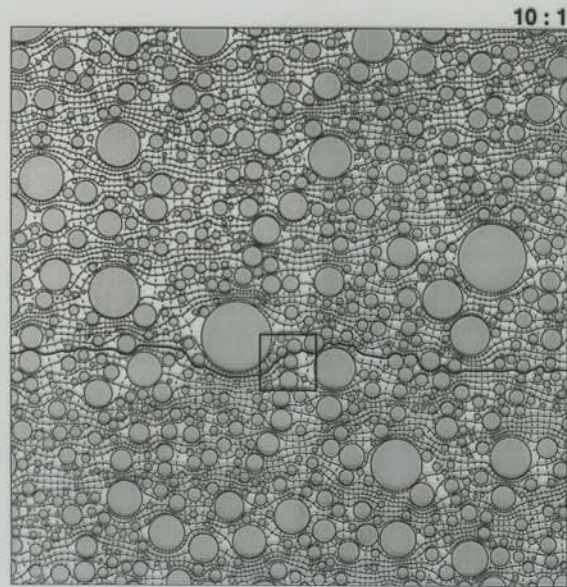
100,000 Circles ;  $6 \times 10^6$  degrees of freedom  
Solve: 19 CPU days (300MHz) ; grid 10min

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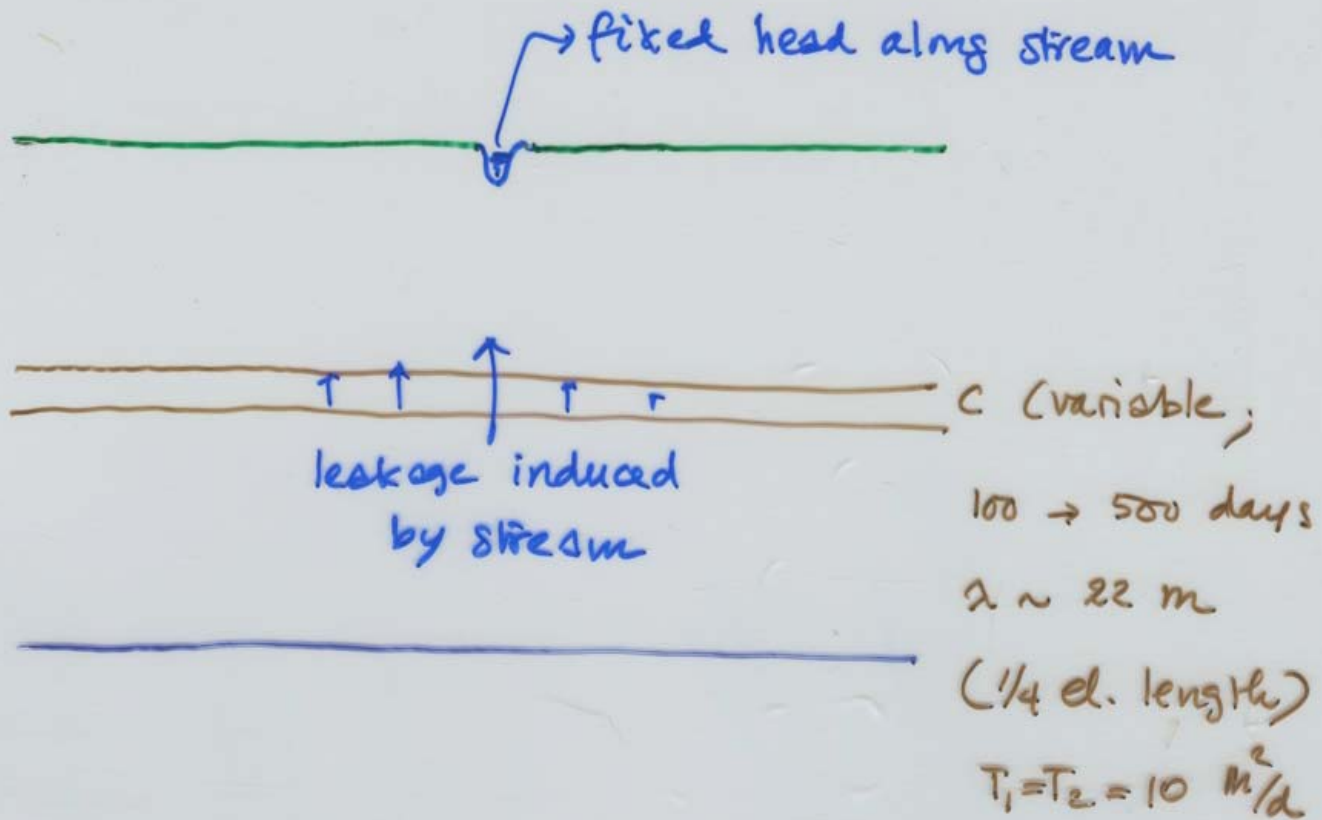


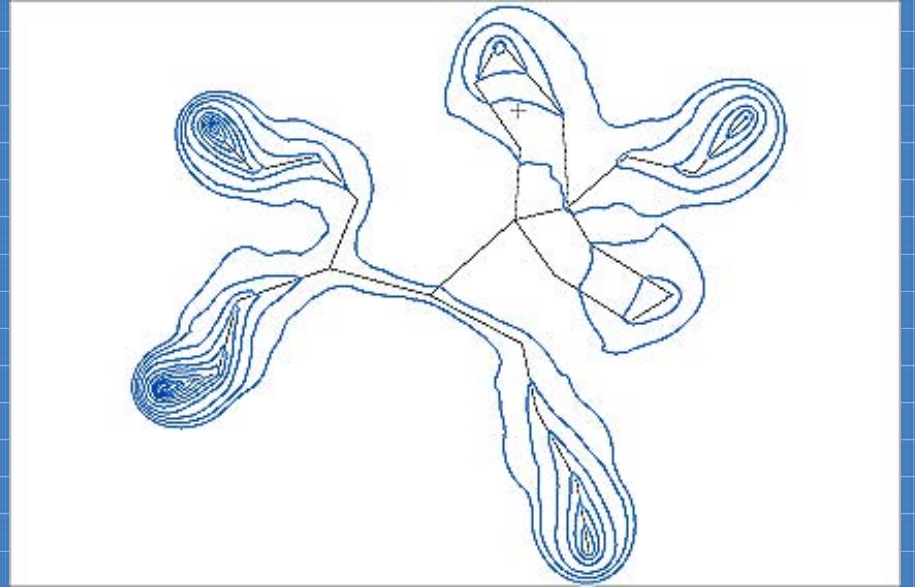
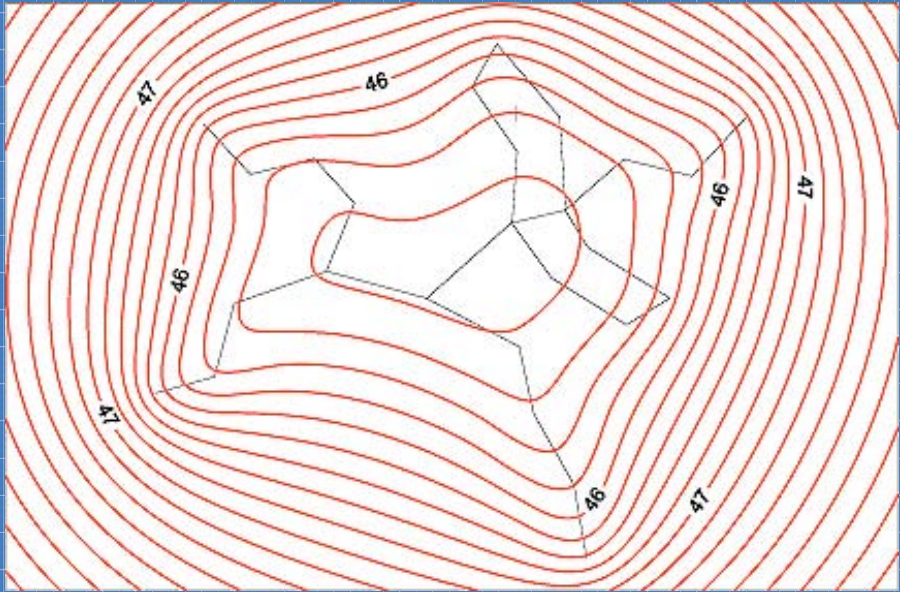
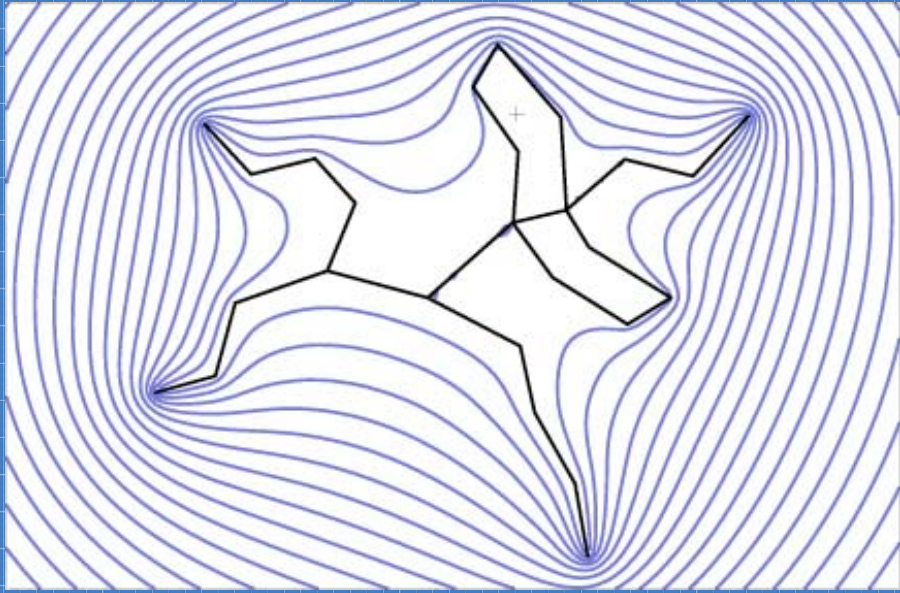
60 degrees of freedom per inhomogeneity

## 2D



# EXAMPLE : STREAM

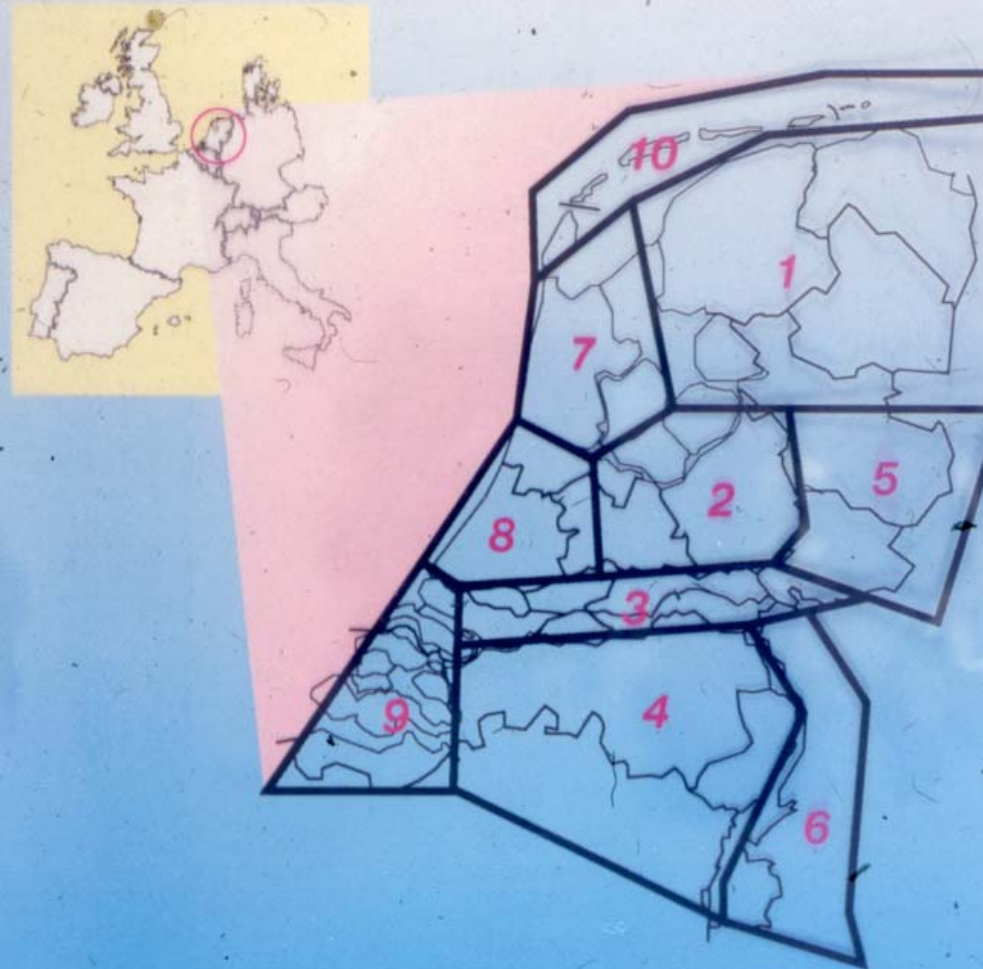








# NAGROM model domains



- |   |         |    |               |
|---|---------|----|---------------|
| 1 | Drenthe | 6  | Limburg       |
| 2 | Veluwe  | 7  | Holland noord |
| 3 | Betuwe  | 8  | Holland zuid  |
| 4 | Brabant | 9  | Zeeland       |
| 5 | Twente  | 10 | Wadden        |



Figure 7.2.8: Sub-regional mesh of area elements between the North-East Polder and the nature domains Weerribben and Wieden.

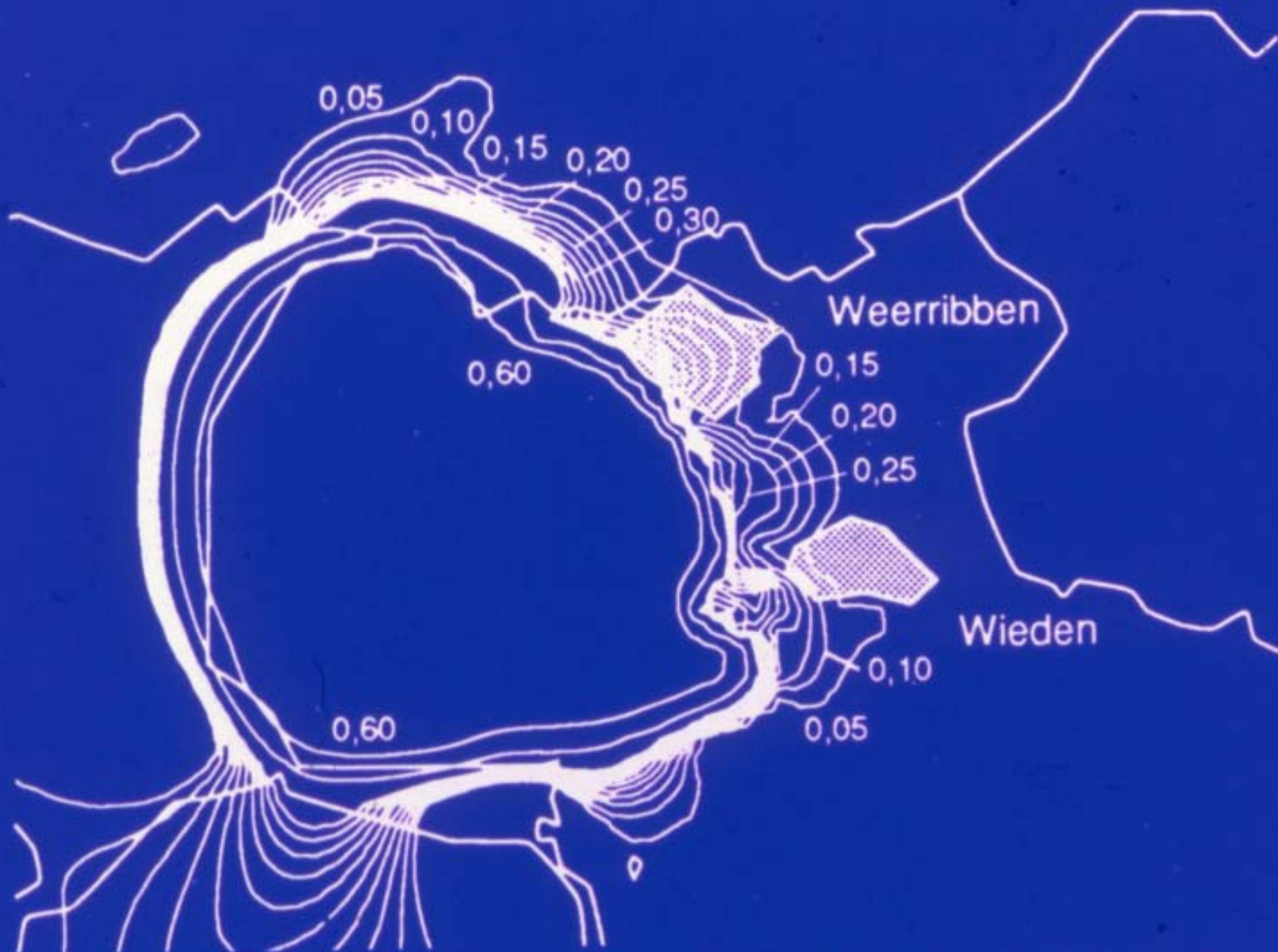


Figure 7.2.9: Computed lowering in the head in the upper aquifer caused by the reclaimed North-East Polder.

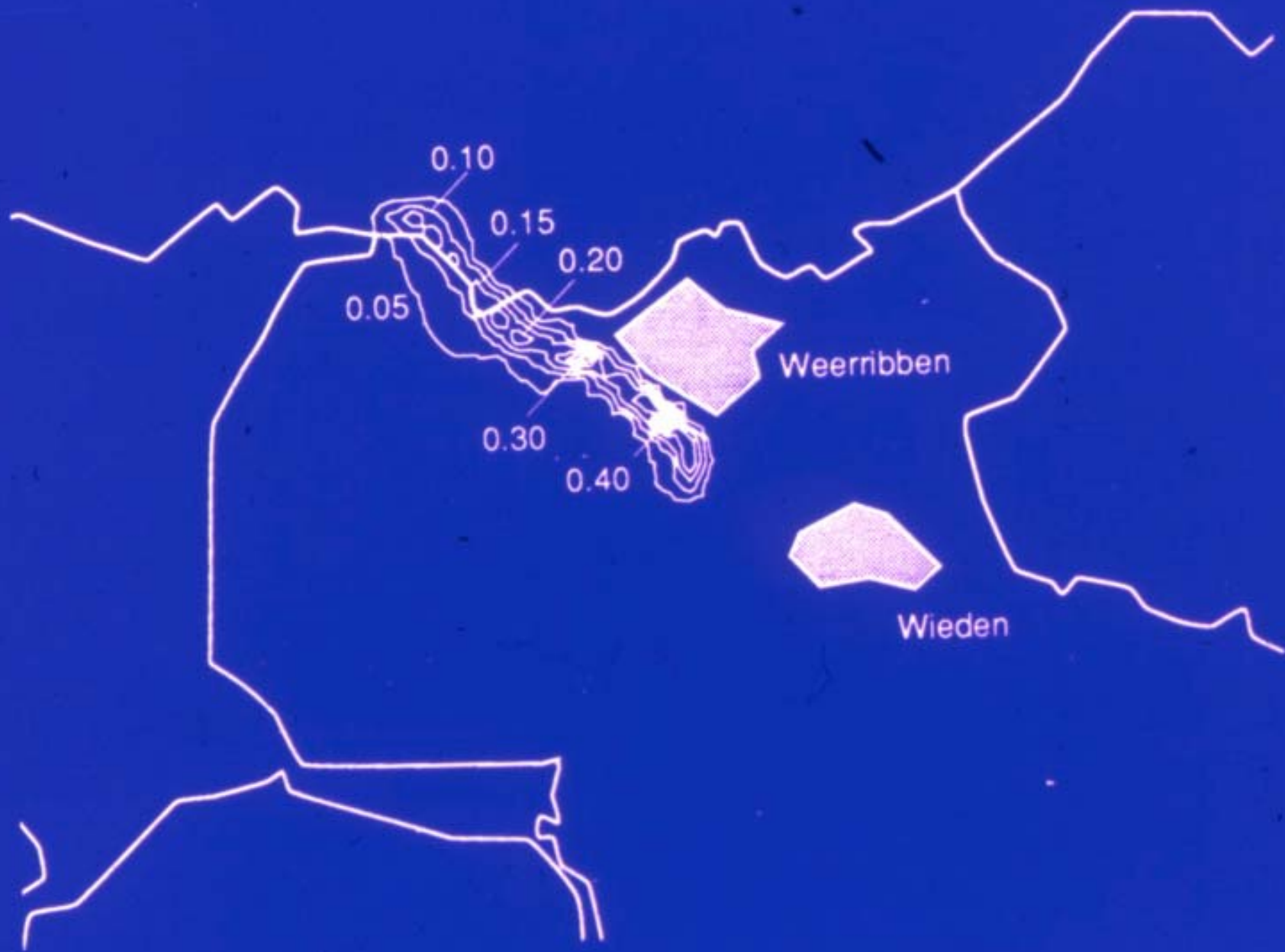


Figure 7.2.10: Effect of a narrow lake on the head in the upper aquifer.



Polders around the nature domains  
 Weerribben and Wieden

Figure 7.2.12: Effects of the polders around the Weerribben and Wieden on the head in the upper aquifer.

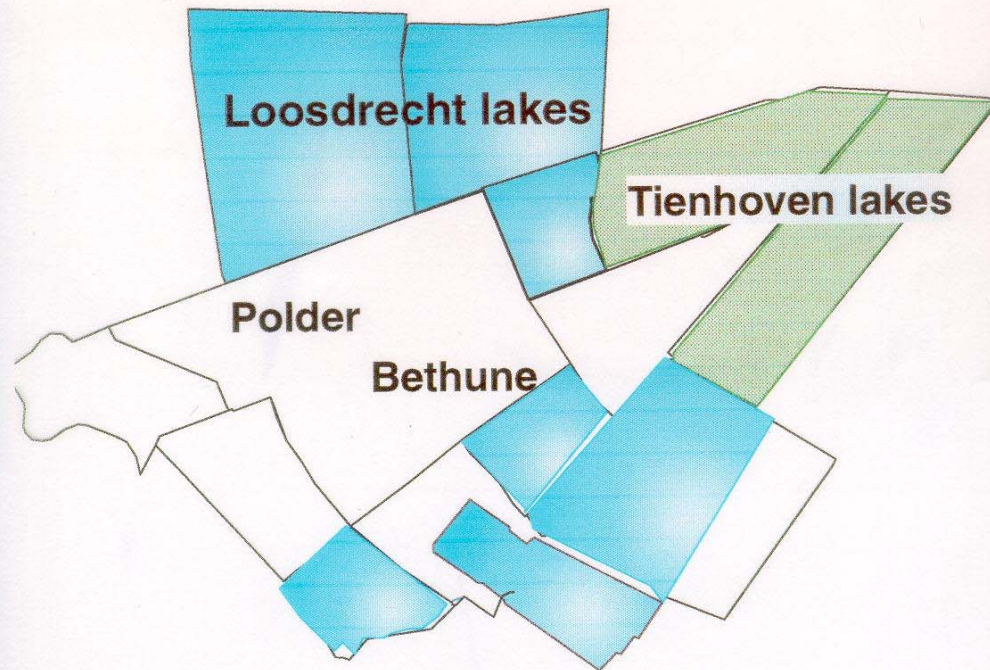
# Amsterdam Water Supply

- Amsterdam Water Supply entered into a contract in 1930 with the 'Waterschap', the 'plassencontract'. The contract was extended indefinitely in 1965.
- 30 million cubic meters per year.
- River water is pumped into surrounding nature areas.





# Plan view of southern part Vecht lakes area



lake



wetland nature reserve

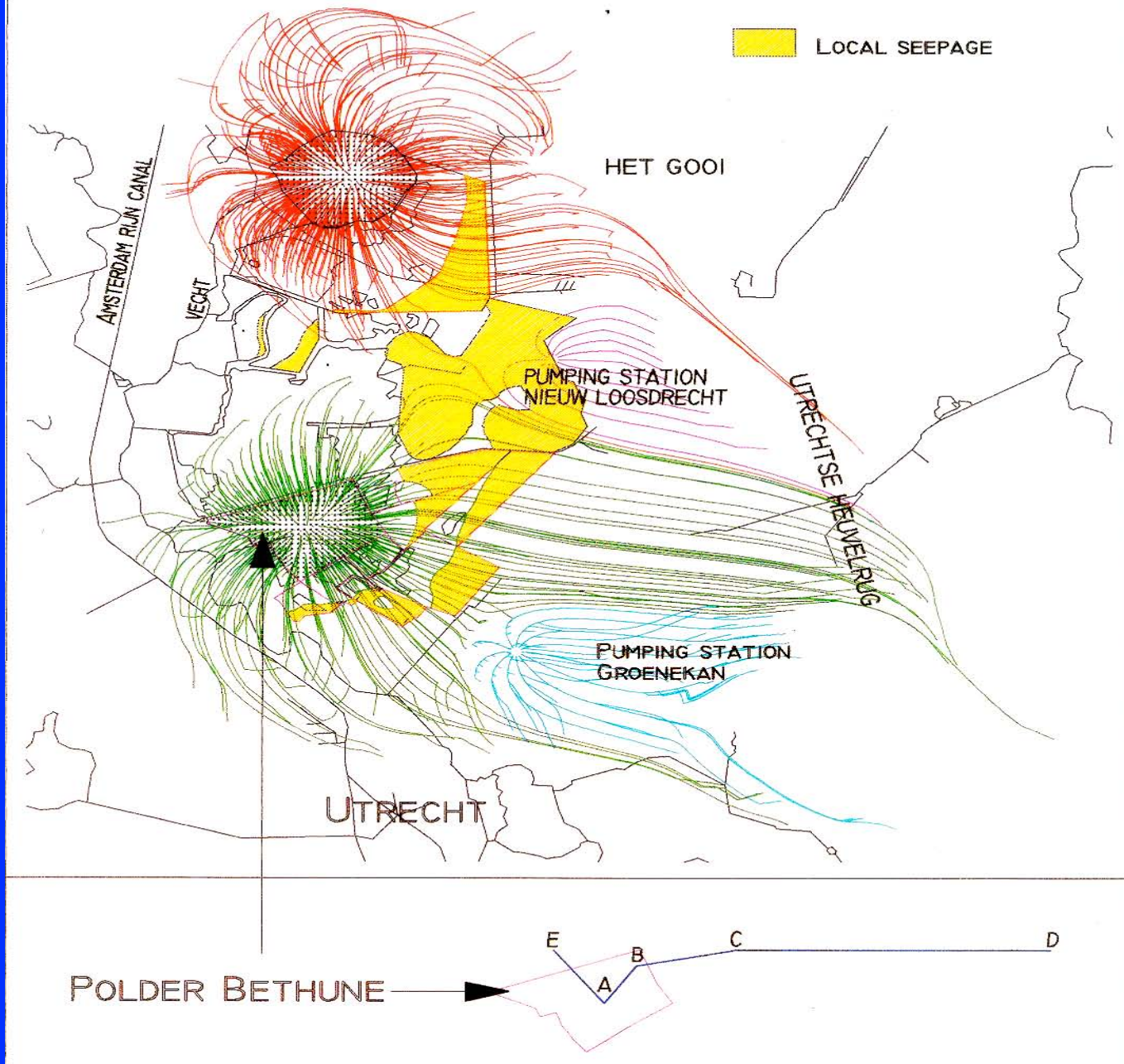
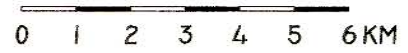
# Environmental Concerns

- Pumping large quantities of water from the Polder Bethune and infiltrating river water in the lakes surrounding it may jeopardize rare vibrating peats ('trilvenen') and floating peats ('drijvende venen') in surrounding nature reserves.
- Defense: only (infiltrated) surface water is being pumped (difference in cost: 0.37 Dfl/m<sup>3</sup>).

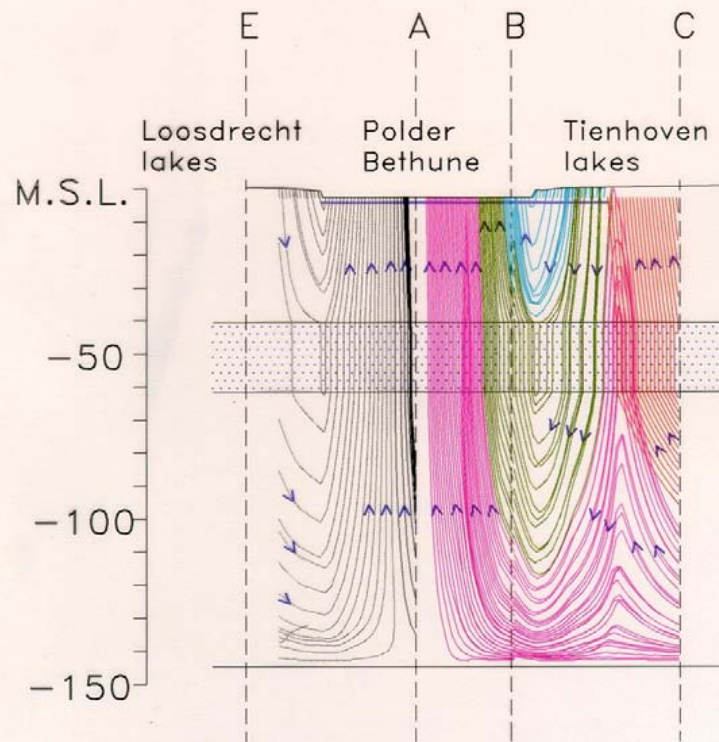
# Questions to be answered by the project



- Does pumping affect the protected nature areas (peats)?
- Where does the water pumped from the Polder Bethune originate?

# GROUNDWATER FLOW SYSTEMS SUBREGIONAL AND LOCAL

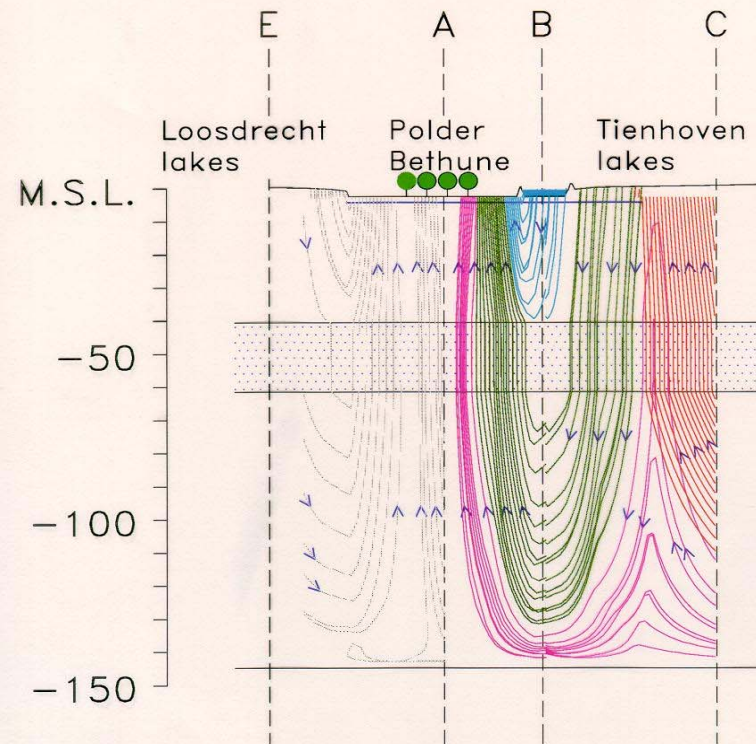






# VIEW OF PATHLINES IN CROSS-SECTION EABC

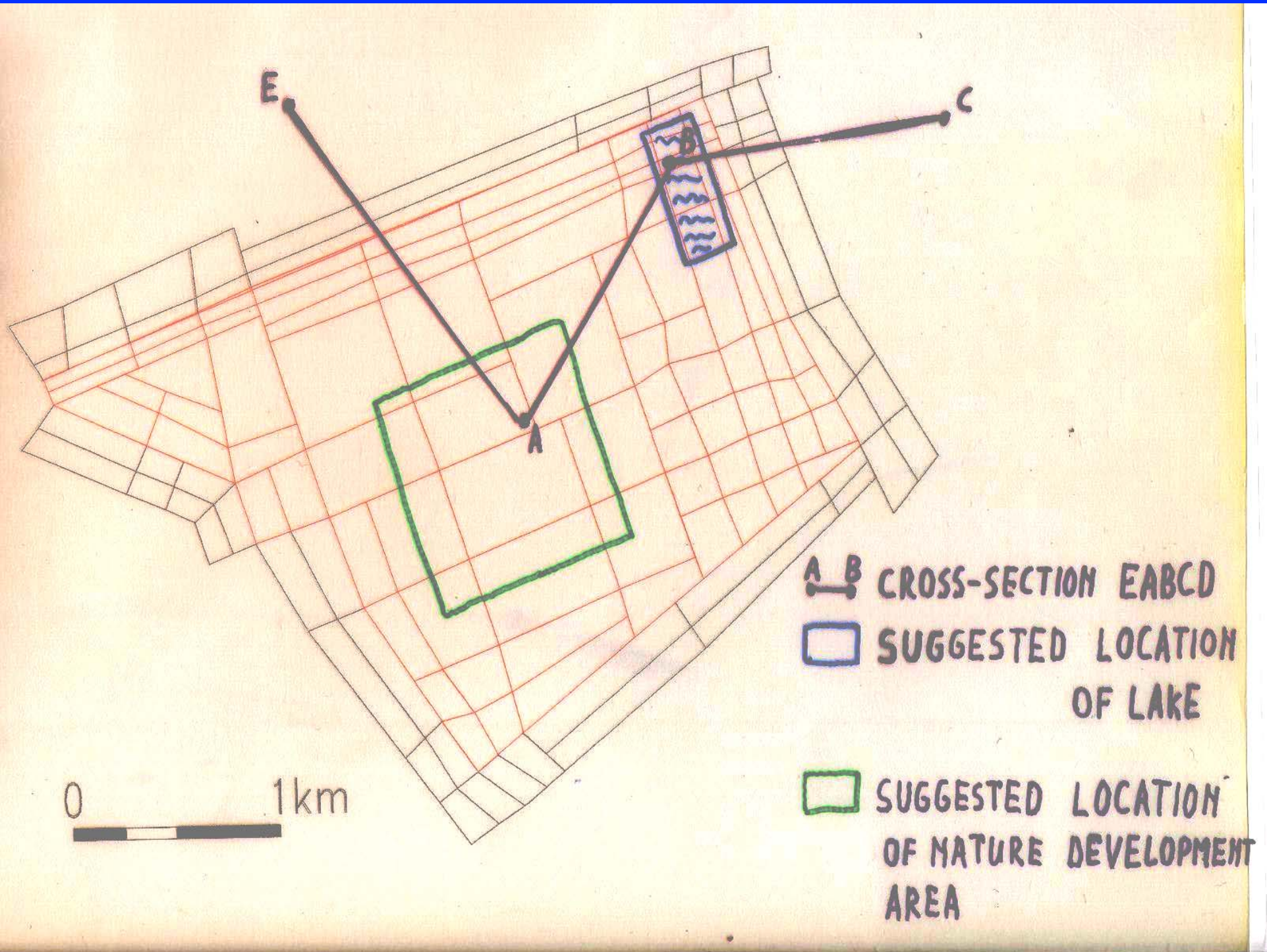


-  semipervious layer
-  peat layer

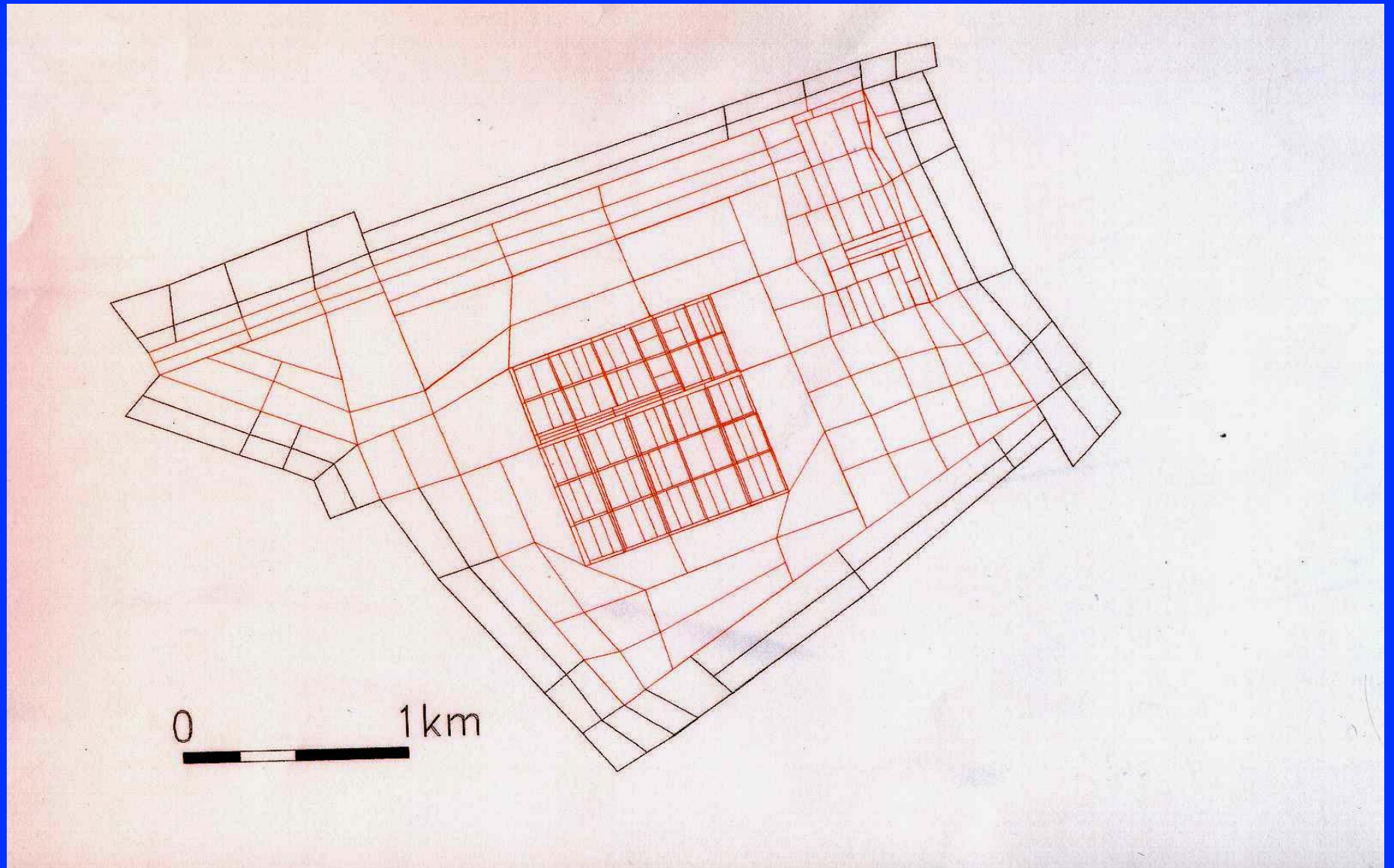
# VIEW OF PATHLINES IN CROSS-SECTION EABC



-  semipervious layer
-  peat layer
-  nature development area
-  lake

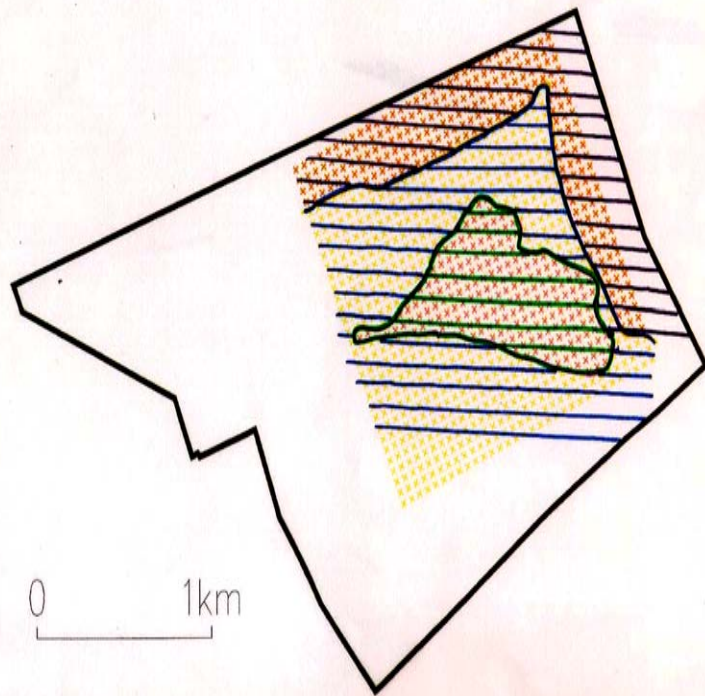


# Refined area-element grid

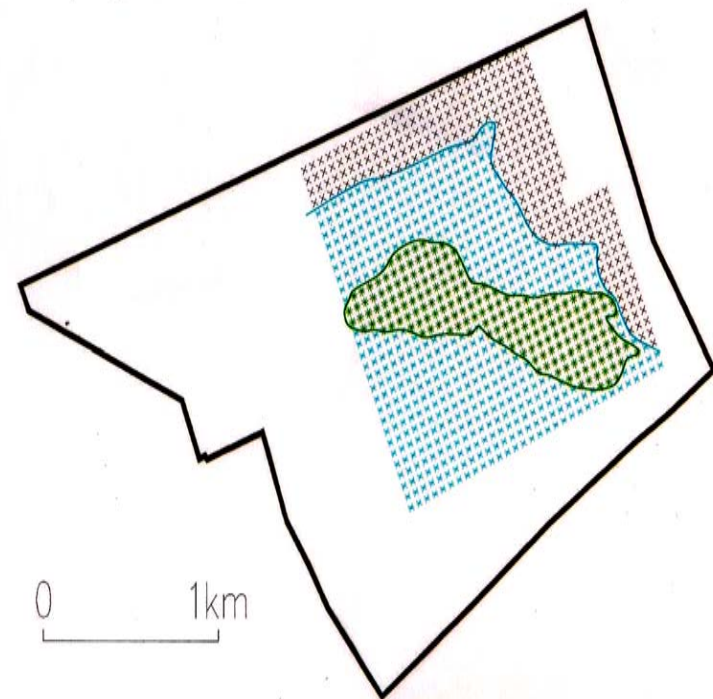


# Comparison of seepage windows before and after refinement.

Seepage windows present situation



Seepage windows after nature development





# CONCLUSIONS

- MLAEM made it possible to simulate steep gradients and subtle changes from infiltration to seepage in an outstanding manner
- The effect of the nature development could be studied effectively by filling the related parts of the model with smaller elements in an easy way.
- Three-dimensional pathline calculations showed that the regional flow system is overlain by infiltration-discharge systems.