





## **Mathematisches Kolloquium**

## The Allen-Cahn equations and mean curvature flow

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Mean curvature flow models the slow relaxation of grain boundaries in polycrystals, a coarsening process called grain growth. The Allen-Cahn equations are a system of reaction-diffusion equations, which were first motivated in the scalar case as a model for anti-phase boundaries in liquid-liquid phase transitions. In this talk, I will give a broad background, emphasizing the underlying gradient-flow structure of both equations. Then I will discuss recent convergence and weak-strong uniqueness results based on this structure.