On the De Giorgi - Nash - Moser theorem for hypoelliptic operators joint work with H. Dietert

I would like to present a relative simple approach to show uniform boundedness and a weak Harnack inequality for general hypoelliptic operators i.e.

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$$\left(X_0 - \sum_{i,j=1}^m X_i^t a^{ij} X_j\right) u = -\sum_{i=1}^m X_i^t f^i + g.$$

where $\lambda \leq a^{ij} \leq \Lambda$ is uniformly elliptic but merely measurable and the X_i are given smooth vectorfields. Furthermore we assume that they satisfy the Hörmander condition i.e. their Lie-Algebra spans \mathbb{R}^{n+1} .

The novelty is the avoidance of a "general" Sobolev embedding and a "quantitative" Poincare inequality. Somehow our approach shows that one can somehow consider even the classical De Giorgi-Nash-Moser theorem as a "perturbation" of the poisson equation.

If time permits I would like to discuss as well how the geometry of the hypoelliptic equations come into play to obtain as a consequence the famous Hölder regularity.