

Homogenization with defects

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Typical homogenization problem

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(a_\varepsilon \nabla u_\varepsilon) = f & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u_\varepsilon = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases}$$

Ω fixed smooth domain, a_ε conductivity, $0 < \alpha \leq a_\varepsilon(x) \leq \beta < +\infty$.
 Matrix a_ε has ε -scale oscillations : ex. $a_\varepsilon(x) = a_{(per)}\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$.



Limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$: $-\operatorname{div}(a^* \nabla u^*) = f$?

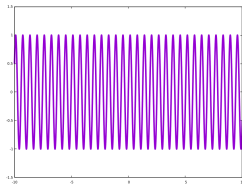
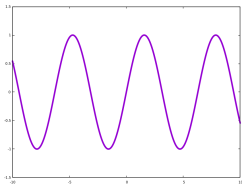
Preliminary : averages

If a is **periodic**, then $a\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \langle a \rangle = \int_Q a$ weakly.

That is, for any domain Ω , $\int_{\Omega} a\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) dx \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} |\Omega| \langle a \rangle$.

Proof in 1D: $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{N}$.

$$\int_0^1 a\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) dx = \int_0^1 a(Nx) dx = \frac{1}{N} \int_0^N a(x) dx = \langle a \rangle.$$



Dimension 1

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \frac{du_\varepsilon}{dx} \right) = f \quad \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \quad -\frac{d}{dx} \left(a^* \frac{du^*}{dx} \right) = f \quad ?$$

First guess : $a^* = \langle a \rangle$? Hum...

$$-a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \frac{du_\varepsilon}{dx} = F(x) := \int_0^x f(t) dt.$$

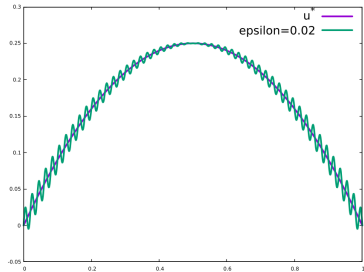
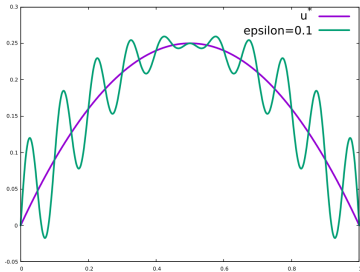
$$\frac{du_\varepsilon}{dx} = -a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right)^{-1} F(x) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} -\langle a^{-1} \rangle F(x).$$

$$\frac{du^*}{dx} = -\langle a^{-1} \rangle F(x) \Rightarrow -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\langle a^{-1} \rangle^{-1} \frac{du^*}{dx} \right) = f.$$

$$a^* = \langle a^{-1} \rangle^{-1}$$

$$u_\varepsilon(x) = - \int a\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}\right)^{-1} F(t) dt, \quad u^*(x) = - \int \langle a^{-1} \rangle F(t) dt.$$

$$\Rightarrow u_\varepsilon(x) - u^*(x) = \int \left(\langle a^{-1} \rangle - a\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}\right)^{-1} \right) F(t) dt = O(\varepsilon).$$



Large scale u^* + modulation of amplitude ε , at scale ε .

Two-scale expansion

Ansatz: $u_\varepsilon(x) = u_0\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon u_1\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon^2 u_2\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \dots$

$u_k(x, y)$ are periodic wrt y .

x = slow (macro) variable, $y = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}$ = fast (micro) variable.

Idea: as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, x and y become **independent** variables.

Differentiation rule: $\nabla_x \left(u_k \left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \right) = \nabla_x u_k \left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla_y u_k \left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right)$.

Insert this into $-\operatorname{div} \left(a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \nabla u_\varepsilon \right) = f$.

Hierarchy of equations

$$-\operatorname{div}\left(a\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \nabla u_{\varepsilon}\right) = f$$

$$u_{\varepsilon}(x) = u_0\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon u_1\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon^2 u_2\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \dots$$

$$\nabla_x\left(u_k\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)\right) = \nabla_x u_k\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla_y u_k\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right).$$

$$\varepsilon^{-2} : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y) \nabla_y u_0) = 0.$$

$$\varepsilon^{-1} : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y) \nabla_y u_1) = \operatorname{div}_y(a(y) \nabla_x u_0) + \operatorname{div}_x(a(y) \nabla_y u_0).$$

$$\varepsilon^0 : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y) (\nabla_y u_2)) = \operatorname{div}_x(a(y) (\nabla_x u_0 + \nabla_y u_1)) + \operatorname{div}_y(a(y) \nabla_x u_1) + f.$$

...

$$\varepsilon^j : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y) \nabla_y u_{i+2}) = F(u_i, u_{i+1}).$$

Periodic cell problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y)\nabla_y v) = g, \\ v \text{ periodic.} \end{cases}$$

Lemma

This problem has a solution if and only if

$$\int_Q g = 0.$$

And this solution is unique up to the addition of a constant.

Tool: Fredholm's alternative (or Lax-Milgram).

Corrector equation

$$\varepsilon^{-2} : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y)\nabla_y u_0) = 0 + \text{pbc} \Rightarrow \nabla_y u_0 = 0: u_0(x, y) = u_0(x).$$

$$\varepsilon^{-1} : -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y)\nabla_y u_1) = \operatorname{div}_y(a(y)\nabla_x u_0) + \operatorname{div}_x(\cancel{a(y)\nabla_y u_0}).$$

Introduce the **corrector problem** (e_1, \dots, e_d canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^d)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\operatorname{div}_y(a(y)\nabla_y w_i) = \operatorname{div}_y(a(y)e_i), \\ w_i \text{ periodic.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$u_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i}(x) w_i(y).$$

Homogenized equation

$$\varepsilon^0 : -\operatorname{div}_x (a(y) (\nabla_x u_0 + \nabla_y u_1)) + \operatorname{div}_y (a(y) (\nabla_x u_1 + \nabla_y u_2)) = f(x).$$

Integrate over Q : periodicity $\int_Q \operatorname{div}_y (g(y)) dy = 0$.

$$-\operatorname{div}_x \left(\int_Q a(y) (\nabla_x u_0(x) + \nabla_y u_1(x, y)) \right) = f(x).$$

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}_y (a(y) (e_j + \nabla_y w_j)) = 0, \\ w_j \text{ periodic.} \end{cases}$$

$$-\operatorname{div}_x (a^* \nabla_x u_0(x)) = f(x),$$

$$\nabla_y u_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i}(x) \nabla_y w_i(y).$$

$$a_{ij}^* = \int_Q [a(y) (\delta_{ij} + \nabla w_i(y) \cdot e_j)] dy.$$

Homogenized equation with a **formula** for a^* .

Back to 1D

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}_y (a(y) (e_i + \nabla_y w_i)) = 0, \\ w_i \text{ periodic.} \end{cases}$$

$$a_{ij}^* = \int_Q [a(y) (\delta_{ij} + \nabla w_i(y) \cdot e_j)] dy.$$

In 1D: $e_i = 1, \quad -\frac{d}{dy} \left(a(y) \left(1 + \frac{dw}{dy} \right) \right) = 0, \quad w \text{ periodic.}$

$$1 + \frac{dw}{dy} = \frac{C}{a(y)}.$$

Integrate on $[0, 1]$: $1 + \underbrace{w(1) - w(0)}_{=0} = C \langle a^{-1} \rangle. \quad 1 + \frac{dw}{dy} = \langle a^{-1} \rangle^{-1} a(y)^{-1}.$

$$a^* = \int_0^1 a(y) \left(1 + \frac{dw}{dy}(y) \right) dy = \left\langle a a^{-1} \langle a^{-1} \rangle^{-1} \right\rangle = \langle a^{-1} \rangle^{-1}.$$

Strong convergence

Theorem (Allaire, JKO, BLP, ...)

$$\left\| u_\varepsilon(x) - u_0(x) - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i}(x) w_i\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \right\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} 0,$$

that is,

$$\|u_\varepsilon - u_0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} 0,$$

$$\left\| \nabla u_\varepsilon(x) - \nabla u_0(x) - \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_j}(x) \nabla w_j\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} 0.$$

- Correctors allow for strong H^1 convergence.
- Convergence rate ε on interior domains.
- Convergence rate $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ due to boundary layers.

Theorem (Murat-Tartar, 1978)

There exists a^ , elliptic and bounded, and $u^* \in H_0^1(\Omega)$, such that, up to extraction,*

$$u_\varepsilon \rightharpoonup u^* \quad H^1(\Omega), \quad a_\varepsilon \nabla u_\varepsilon \rightharpoonup a^* \nabla u^* \quad L^2,$$

and

$$-\operatorname{div}(a^* \nabla u^*) = f \text{ in } \Omega.$$

- Much more general than periodic: a_ε elliptic bounded only.
- Possibility of including correctors.
- Limit up to extraction of a subsequence.
- No "usable" formula for a^* .

Literature

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- Jikov-Kozlov-Oleinik, 1994. periodic + stochastic + general theory
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- Tartar, 2009. general theory
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Setting of the problem

$$-\operatorname{div} \left[a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \nabla u^\varepsilon \right] = f$$

a : elliptic and bounded.

$$a(x) = a_{\text{per}}(x) + \tilde{a}(x), \quad \lim_{|x| \rightarrow +\infty} \tilde{a}(x) = 0.$$

Standard homogenization: $u^\varepsilon \rightarrow u^*$, $\nabla u^\varepsilon \rightharpoonup \nabla u^*$,

$$-\operatorname{div} [a^* \nabla u^*] = f$$

Formula for a^* ? Strong convergence in H^1 ? Corrector.

Corrector equation

$$-\operatorname{div}(a(e_j + \nabla w_j)) = 0,$$

$$a(x) = a_{per}(x) + \tilde{a}(x), \quad \lim_{|x| \rightarrow +\infty} \tilde{a}(x) = 0.$$

One expects

$$w_j = w_j^{per} + \tilde{w}_j, \quad \|\nabla \tilde{w}_j(x)\| \xrightarrow{|x| \rightarrow +\infty} 0.$$

$$a_{ij}^* = \langle a(\delta_{ij} + \nabla w_i \cdot e_j) \rangle$$

The case $\tilde{a} \in L^2$

Hypotheses:

- $a_{per} \in C^{0,\alpha}$ is periodic, elliptic and bounded.
- $\tilde{a} \in L^2 \cap L^\infty$, $a_{per} + \tilde{a}$ elliptic.

Theorem (XB/Le Bris/Lions, 2012, Milan J. Math.)

The corrector problem $-\operatorname{div} [(a_{per} + \tilde{a})(\nabla w_i + e_i)] = 0$ has a solution such that $\nabla w_i \in \mathcal{H}$. Such a solution is unique up to the addition of a constant. Further,

$$\nabla w_i = \nabla w_i^{per} + \nabla \tilde{w}_i, \quad \nabla \tilde{w}_i \in L^2.$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \left\{ f_{per} + g, \quad f_{per} \text{ periodic}, g \in L^2 \right\}$$

$\tilde{a} \in L^2$: ideas of proof

Existence: look for w_i as $w_i = w_i^{per} + \tilde{w}_i$.

$$-\operatorname{div}[(a_{per} + \tilde{a}) \nabla \tilde{w}_i] = \operatorname{div} \underbrace{[\tilde{a} (\nabla w_i^{per} + e_i)]}_{:=g \in L^2}$$

Solve this problem by regularization:

$$-\operatorname{div}[(a_{per} + \tilde{a}) \nabla \tilde{w}_{i,\gamma}] + \gamma \tilde{w}_{i,\gamma} = \operatorname{div}(g)$$

Solution in H^1 . Bounds:

$$c \|\nabla \tilde{w}_{i,\gamma}\|_{L^2}^2 + \gamma \|w_{i,\gamma}\|_{L^2}^2 \leq \|g\|_{L^2} \|\nabla \tilde{w}_{i,\gamma}\|_{L^2}.$$

Hence $\|\nabla \tilde{w}_{i,\gamma}\|_{L^2} \leq C$, and $\sqrt{\gamma} \|\tilde{w}_{i,\gamma}\|_{L^2} \leq C$.

Pass to the limit $\gamma \rightarrow 0$.

$\tilde{a} \in L^2$: Ideas of proof

Uniqueness: v_i difference of two solutions: $\nabla v_i = g_{per} + \tilde{g}$, $\tilde{g} \in L^2$.

- $\nabla v_i = \nabla v_i^{per} + \nabla \tilde{v}_i$, with $\nabla \tilde{v}_i \in L^2$.
- **If $\nabla \tilde{v}_i = 0$:** v_i^{per} solution to $-\operatorname{div} [(a_{per} + \tilde{a}) \nabla v_i^{per}] = 0$.
 Integrate over \mathcal{A}_R : $\int_{\mathcal{A}_R} |\nabla v_i^{per}|^2 \leq \text{boundary terms} = o(R^d)$.
 Hence, $\nabla v_i^{per} = 0$.
- **If $\nabla v_i^{per} = 0$:** \tilde{v}_i solution to $-\operatorname{div} [(a_{per} + \tilde{a}) \nabla \tilde{v}_i] = 0$. Integrate over \mathcal{A}_R : $\int_{\mathcal{A}_R} |\nabla \tilde{v}_i|^2 \leq \text{boundary terms} = o(1)$.
 Hence, $\nabla \tilde{v}_i = 0$.

$$\mathcal{A}_R = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d, R < |x| < 2R\}$$

Using the corrector

$$a_{ij}^* = \langle a(\delta_{ij} + \nabla w_i \cdot e_j) \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} a\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \left(\delta_{ij} + \nabla w_i\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \cdot e_j\right).$$

But : $\nabla \tilde{w}_i\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} 0$. Finer approximation of the solution:

$$u^\varepsilon - u^* \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{in } L^2$$

$$\nabla u^\varepsilon - \nabla u^* \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{in } L^2.$$

$$u^\varepsilon(x) - u^*(x) - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^d w_i\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \partial_{x_i} u^*(x) \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{in } H^1.$$

$$u^\varepsilon(x) - u^*(x) - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^d w_i\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \partial_{x_i} u^*(x) \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{in } W^{1,\infty}.$$



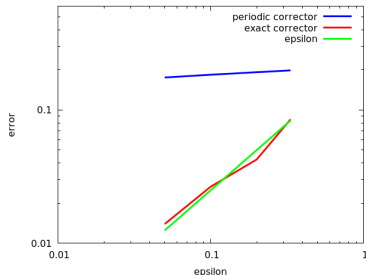
Here you need the **exact** corrector ($a_{per} + \tilde{a}$)

Error comparison

$1/\varepsilon$	δ_{per}^ε	δ^ε
3	0.198112	0.0850091
5	0.191952	0.0425306
10	0.183784	0.0266084
20	0.175248	0.0139564

$$\delta_{per}^\varepsilon = \left\| u^\varepsilon - u^* - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^d w_i^{per} \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \partial_{x_i} u^* \right\|_{W^{1,\infty}}$$

$$-\operatorname{div} \left[a_{per} \left(\nabla w_i^{per} + e_i \right) \right] = 0,$$



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$$-\operatorname{div} \left[(a_{per} + \tilde{a}) (\nabla w_i + e_i) \right] = 0.$$

The case $\tilde{a} \in L^r, r < +\infty$

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Ideas of proof

Uniqueness: v_i difference of two solutions.

- Argument as in $r = 2$ case: $\nabla v_i = \nabla v_i^{per} + \nabla \tilde{v}_i$.
- Periodic part: as in $r = 2$ case.
- Local part \tilde{v}_i : $\nabla \tilde{v}_i \in L^r$

$$-\operatorname{div}[a_{per} \nabla \tilde{v}_i] = \operatorname{div}(\underbrace{\tilde{a} \nabla \tilde{v}_i}_{\in L^{r/2}}).$$

Hence $\nabla \tilde{v}_i \in L^{r/2}$ (Avellaneda-Lin, 1987).

And so on... $\nabla \tilde{v}_i \in L^2$.

Existence: solve $-\operatorname{div}((a_{per} + \tilde{a}) \nabla \tilde{w}_i) = \operatorname{div}(\underbrace{\tilde{a} (\nabla w_i^{per} + e_i)}_{g \in L^r})$.

Riesz operator

Corollary (XB/Le Bris/Lions, 2018, Comm. PDE)

Assume:

- $a_{per} \in C^{0,\alpha}$ is periodic, elliptic and bounded.
- $\tilde{a} \in L^r \cap L^\infty$, $r < +\infty$, $a_{per} + \tilde{a}$ elliptic.
- $p \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Then, for any $f \in L^q$, $1 < q < +\infty$, the equation

$$-\operatorname{div}(a\nabla v) = \operatorname{div}(f)$$

admits a unique solution such that $\nabla v \in L^q$. Moreover, the operator $f \mapsto \nabla v$ is continuous from L^q to L^q .

Concentration-compactness method. Extension of Avellaneda-Lin, 1987.