

Introduction to homogenization

Pb. Find macroscopic equations describing phenomena with fast oscillations at the microscopic scale:

PDEs with oscillating coeff.:
$$F\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}, x, u, Du^\epsilon, D^2u^\epsilon\right) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

 + BC

Q: $u^\epsilon \rightarrow u$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ & u solves
$$\bar{F}(x, u, Du, D^2u) = 0$$

 for some \bar{F} ? EFF. BVIP + BC

Basic classical model: PERIODIC MEDIA: $\exists T > 0$:

$$F(y, x, r, p, \bar{x}) = F(y + kT, r, p, \bar{x}) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^n \quad \forall y, x, r, p, \bar{x} \dots$$

After rescaling: $T=1$, all data \mathbb{Z}^n -periodic in $y = \frac{x}{\epsilon}$.

FIRST EXAMPLES:

LINEAR ODES • $u_x^\epsilon = l\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)$ stationary transport

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$$\left(-a\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)u_x^\epsilon\right)_x = f_1(x) + f_2\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) \quad a > 0 \quad \text{elliptic div. form}$$

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$$-a\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)u_{xx}^\epsilon + b\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)u_x^\epsilon = f\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) \quad a > 0 \quad \text{elliptic non-div. form}$$

N.B. f $\frac{x}{\epsilon}$ -periodic $f\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) \rightarrow \bar{f}$ pointwise $\Leftrightarrow f \equiv \text{const.}$

Ex. 1
$$u^\epsilon(x) - u^\epsilon(0) = \int_0^x l\left(\frac{\xi}{\epsilon}\right) d\xi = \epsilon \int_0^{\frac{x}{\epsilon}} l(y) dy =$$

$$= x \frac{\epsilon}{x} \int_0^{\frac{x}{\epsilon}} l(y) dy \rightarrow \langle l \rangle$$

where $\langle l \rangle = \int_0^1 l(y) dy$ because $\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T l dy \rightarrow \langle l \rangle \quad \forall l$ periodic