

# Stochastic homogenisation of high-contrast media

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# Classical periodic homogenisation

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**Operators with periodic coefficients**

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Equivalently,

$$\xi \cdot a^{\text{hom}} \xi = \inf_{\psi \in H_{\text{per}}^1(Q)} \int_Q (\xi + \nabla_y \psi) \cdot a(y) (\xi + \nabla_y \psi) dy$$

## Probability framework

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a complete probability space.

### Definition

A family  $(T_x)_{x \in \mathbf{R}^n}$  of measurable bijective mappings  $T_x : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$  on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is called a dynamical system on  $\Omega$  with respect to  $P$  if:

- ①  $T_x \circ T_y = T_{x+y} \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n;$
- ②  $P(T_x F) = P(F) \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n, F \in \mathcal{F};$
- ③  $\mathcal{T} : \mathbf{R}^n \times \Omega \rightarrow \Omega, (x, \omega) \mapsto T_x(\omega)$  is measurable (for the standard  $\sigma$ -algebra on the product space, where on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  we take the Lebesgue  $\sigma$ -algebra).

### Definition

A dynamical system is called ergodic if one of the following equivalent conditions is fulfilled:

- ④  $f$  measurable,  
 $f(\omega) = f(T_x \omega) \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \text{ a.e. } \omega \in \Omega \implies f(\omega) \text{ is constant } P\text{-a.e. } \omega \in \Omega.$
- ⑤  $P((T_x B \cup B) \setminus (T_x B \cap B)) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n \implies P(B) \in \{0, 1\}.$
- ⑥  $T_x B = B \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n \implies P(B) \in \{0, 1\}$

# Stochastic homogenisation

## Operators with stochastic coefficients

Let  $a \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ ,  $\xi \cdot a(\omega)\xi \geq C|\xi|^2$ ,  $C > 0$ .

We write  $a(y, \omega) := a(T_y\omega)$ , defining the realisation of random coefficients.

$$\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon := -\nabla \cdot a(x/\varepsilon, \omega) \nabla, \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon u_\varepsilon = f$$

## Probabilistic gradient

$$D_i f(\omega) := \lim_{x_i \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(T_{x_i}\omega) - f(\omega)}{x_i}, \quad f \in L^2(\Omega),$$

$D_i$  is the infinitesimal generator of the unitary group  $U_{x_i}$

$$\nabla_\omega := (D_1, \dots, D_n)^T, \quad T_x \nabla_\omega f(\omega) = \nabla f(x, \omega) = \nabla(T_x f(\omega))$$

## The “cell” problem

$$\nabla_\omega \cdot a(\omega)(\mathbf{e}_k + \nabla_\omega N_k(\omega)) = D_i a_{ij}(\omega)(\delta_{jk} + D_j N_k(\omega)) = 0$$

## Homogenised operator

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# High-contrast periodic homogenisation

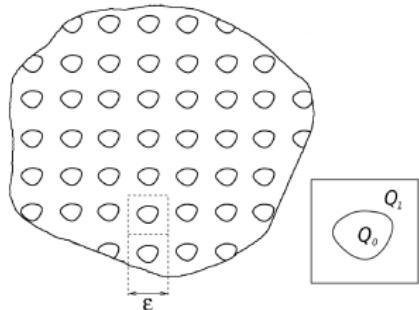
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Asymptotics of the solution

$$u_\varepsilon(x) \approx u(x, x/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon u_1(x, x/\varepsilon) + \dots$$



$$u(x, y) = u_0(x) + v(x, y) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n) + L^2(\mathbb{R}^n; H_0^1(Q_0))$$

Homogenised operator is two-scale

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{hom}} u(x, y) = f(x, y)$$

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0(x) = \langle f(x, y) \rangle_y, & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ -\Delta_y v = f(x, y), & y \in Q_0. \end{cases}$$

$$\xi \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \xi = \inf_{\psi \in H_{\text{per}}^1(Q_1)} \int_{Q_1} (\xi + \nabla_y \psi) \cdot a_1(y) (\xi + \nabla_y \psi) dy$$

# High-contrast periodic homogenisation

Band-gap spectrum in high-contrast periodic homogenisation

$$\begin{aligned}-\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0 &= \lambda (u_0 + \langle v \rangle), \\ -\Delta_y v &= \lambda (u_0 + v).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}v(x, y) &= \lambda u_0(x) b(y) \\ -\Delta_y b &= 1 + \lambda b\end{aligned}$$

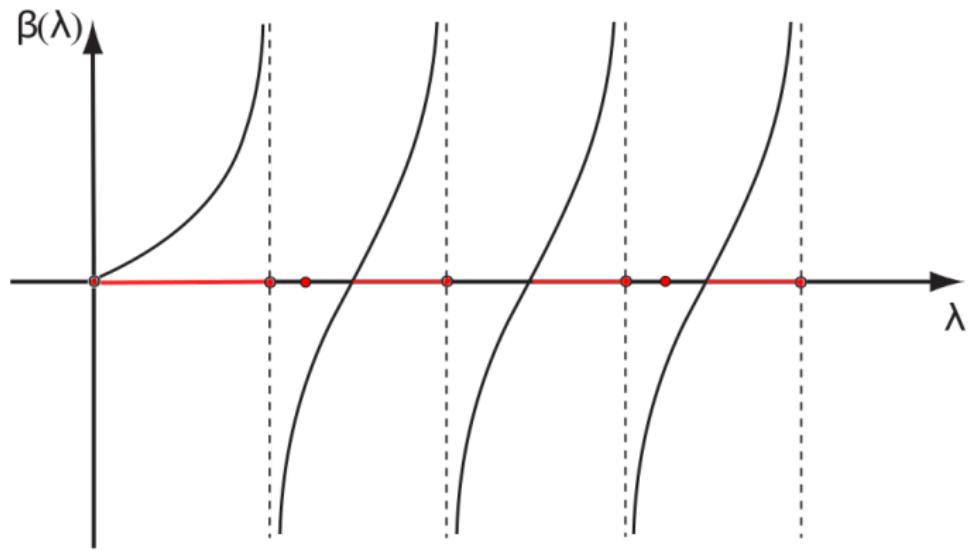
Decoupling:

$$-\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0 = \beta(\lambda) u_0$$

$$\beta(\lambda) := \lambda + \lambda^2 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\langle \varphi_j \rangle^2}{\nu_j - \lambda}.$$

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}_{\text{hom}}) = \{\lambda : \beta(\lambda) \geq 0\} \cup \{\nu'_1, \nu'_2, \dots\}$$

The spectrum of  $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$  has gaps for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon$  (Zhikov (2000, 2004)).



# Stochastic high-contrast homogenisation

Operators with stochastic high-contrast coefficients

$$\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon := -\nabla \cdot a(x, \varepsilon, \omega) \nabla$$

$$a(x, \varepsilon, \omega) := \begin{cases} \varepsilon^2, & x \in S_0^\varepsilon(\omega) \\ a_1, & x \in S_1^\varepsilon(\omega) \end{cases}$$

$S_0^\varepsilon(\omega)$  is a set of randomly distributed inclusions (balls, for example).

Let  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\lambda < 0$ ,  $f^\varepsilon \in L^2(S)$ ,  $u^\varepsilon \in H_0^1(S)$

$$-\nabla \cdot a(x, \varepsilon, \omega) \nabla u^\varepsilon - \lambda u^\varepsilon = f^\varepsilon, \quad x \in S.$$

## Theorem

Let  $f^\varepsilon \xrightarrow{2} f \in L^2(S \times \Omega)$ . Then for a.e.  $\omega \in \Omega$  one has

$u^\varepsilon \xrightarrow{2} u(x, \omega) = u_0(x) + u_1(x, \omega)$ , where  $u_0 \in H_0^1(S)$ ,  $u_1 \in L^2(S, H_0^1(\mathcal{O}))$  satisfy

$$-\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0 - \lambda(u_0 + \langle u_1 \rangle_\Omega) = \langle f \rangle_\Omega, \quad x \in S,$$

$$-\Delta_\omega u_1(x, \omega) - \lambda(u_0(x) + u_1(x, \omega)) = f(x, \omega), \quad \omega \in \mathcal{O}.$$

$$\xi \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \xi = \inf_{\psi \in H^1(\Omega \setminus \mathcal{O})} \int_{\Omega \setminus \mathcal{O}} (\xi + \nabla_\omega \psi) \cdot a_1(\xi + \nabla_\omega \psi) dP$$

$$-\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0(x) - \lambda(u_0(x) + \langle u_1 \rangle_{\Omega}) = \langle f \rangle_{\Omega},$$

$$\Delta_{\omega} u_1(x, \omega) - \lambda(u_0(x) + u_1(x, \omega)) = f(x, \omega).$$

Decoupling ( $S_0^\varepsilon$  consists of identical inclusions):

$$u_1(x, \omega) = \lambda u_0(x) v(\omega)$$

$$-\Delta_{\omega} v = \lambda v + 1.$$

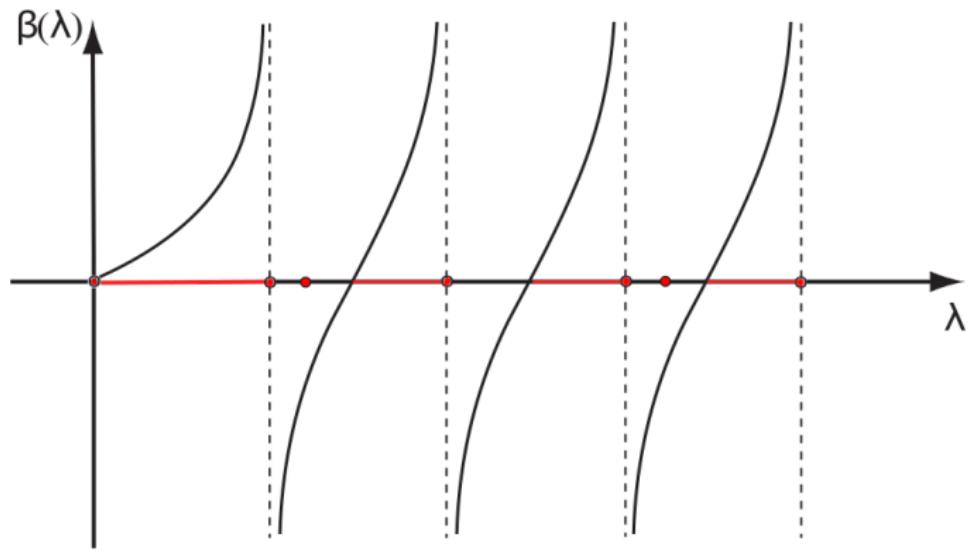
$$-\operatorname{div} a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0 = \beta(\lambda) u_0$$

where

$$\beta(\lambda) := \lambda(1 + \lambda \langle v \rangle_{\Omega}) = \lambda + \lambda^2 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\langle \varphi_j \rangle_y^2}{\nu_j - \lambda} P(\{\tilde{\omega} : \tilde{\omega}_0 = 1\})$$

is a stochastic version of the “Zhikov’s  $\beta$ -function”.

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}_{\text{hom}}) = \{\lambda : \beta(\lambda) \geq 0\} \cup \{\nu'_1, \nu'_2, \dots\} \quad (\text{if } S = \mathbb{R}^n)$$



$$-\nabla \cdot a_1^{\text{hom}} \nabla u_0(x) - \lambda(u_0(x) + \langle u_1 \rangle_{\Omega}) = \langle f \rangle_{\Omega},$$

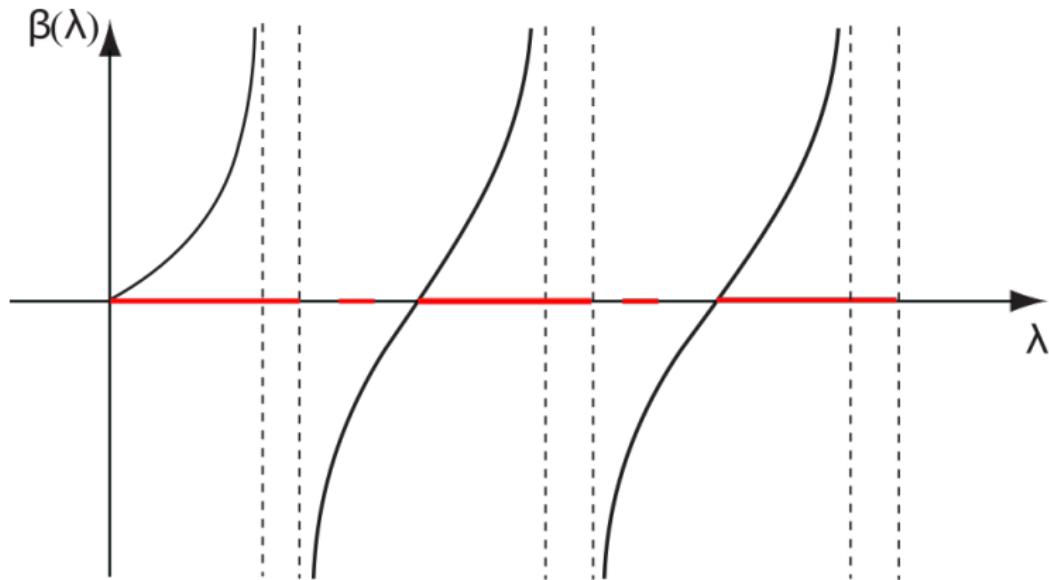
$$\Delta_{\omega} u_1(x, \omega) - \lambda(u_0(x) + u_1(x, \omega)) = f(x, \omega).$$

Decoupling ( $S_0^\varepsilon$  consists of scaled inclusions of the same geometrical shape,  $Y_r := rY$ ,  $r \in [r_1, r_2]$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x, \omega) &= \lambda u_0(x) v(\omega) \\ -\Delta_{\omega} v &= \lambda v + 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta(\lambda) := \lambda(1 + \lambda \langle v \rangle_{\Omega}) = \lambda + \lambda^2 \int_{\{\tilde{\omega}_0 \in [r_1, r_2]\}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\langle \varphi_{j, \tilde{\omega}_0} \rangle_y^2}{\nu_{j, \tilde{\omega}_0} - \lambda} dP(\tilde{\omega}).$$

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}_{\text{hom}}) = \{\lambda : \beta(\lambda) \geq 0\} \cup \{\nu_{1,r}, \nu_{2,r}, \dots\} \cup \{\nu'_{1,r}, \nu'_{2,r}, \dots\} \quad (\text{if } S = \mathbb{R}^n)$$



# Thank you!