

Homogenization
of Monotone Operators with
Oscillating Exponent of Nonlinearity

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The simplest problems of Homogenization.

Problem

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{div}(a(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \nabla u^\varepsilon) = \operatorname{div} g \text{ in } \Omega, \quad g \in L^2(\Omega) \\ u^\varepsilon|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

- { Ω is a Lipschitz bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^d
- { $a(y)$ is a symmetric measurable matrix,
- 1-periodic in y_1, \dots, y_d ; $\square = [0,1]^d$ is a cell of periodicity;
- { $\exists \lambda: \lambda |\xi|^2 \leq a(y)\xi \cdot \xi \leq \lambda^{-1} |\xi|^2 \quad \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$a(\frac{x}{\varepsilon})$ is highly oscillating as $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$

$$u^\varepsilon \in W_0^{1,2}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} a(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \nabla u^\varepsilon \cdot \nabla \varphi \, dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \nabla \varphi \, dx \quad \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega) \quad (1)$$

$(\varphi \in W_0^{1,2}(\Omega))$

$$u^\varepsilon \rightharpoonup u \text{ in } W^{1,2}(\Omega)$$

$u = ?$ How to pass to the limit in (1) ?

The main question: $a(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \nabla u^\varepsilon \xrightarrow{\perp^2} ?$

(The convergence of fluxes)

Homogenized (limit) problem:

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{div} a^* \nabla u = \operatorname{div} g \text{ in } \Omega \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{cases}$$

a^* is a constant symmetric positive matrix, s.t.

$$a^* e_j = \int_{\square} a(y) (e_j + \nabla N^j(y)) dy, \quad j=1, \dots, d$$

$$N^j \in W_{\text{per}}^{1,2}(\square), \quad \operatorname{div}(a(y)(e_j + \nabla N^j(y))) = 0 \quad (\text{Cell Problem})$$

e_1, \dots, e_d is a canonical basis in \mathbb{R}^d .

$$u \in W_0^{1,2}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} a^* \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \nabla \varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} a^* \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \nabla \varphi dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \nabla \varphi dx \\ & \leq \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ & \leq \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \|\varphi\|_{W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{div} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right) = \operatorname{div} g \text{ in } \Omega, \quad g \in L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^d \\ u^\varepsilon|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\alpha' = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}, \quad \alpha > 1$$

$A(y, \xi): \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is a Carathéodory function,

1-periodic in y_1, \dots, y_d ,

satisfying the conditions (monotonicity, coerciveness, boundedness)

$$(A(y, \xi) - A(y, \eta)) \cdot (\xi - \eta) > 0, \quad \xi \neq \eta,$$

$$A(y, \xi) \cdot \xi \geq c_1 |\xi|^\alpha - c_0,$$

$$|A(y, \xi)|^{\alpha'} \leq c_2 |\xi|^\alpha + c_0,$$

(CB-conditions
with exponent α')

$$c_1, c_2 > 0, \quad c_0 \geq 0.$$

$$u^\varepsilon \in W_0^{1,\alpha}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right) \cdot \nabla \varphi dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \nabla \varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c^1(\Omega) \quad (\varphi \in W_0^{1,\alpha}(\Omega))$$

$$\|u^\varepsilon\|_{W_0^{1,\alpha}(\Omega)}, \quad \|A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right)\|_{L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)} \leq C$$

$$u^\varepsilon \rightarrow u \text{ in } W^{1,\alpha}(\Omega), \quad A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right) \rightarrow w \text{ in } L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^d$$

What is a relation between u and w ?

(Problem of convergence of the fluxes).

$w = a(\nabla u)$, i.e.

$$A(\xi, \nabla u^\varepsilon) \xrightarrow{L^{\alpha'}} a(\nabla u)$$

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{div} a(\nabla u) = \operatorname{div} g \text{ in } \Omega \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = v \end{cases} \quad (\text{Hom. Problem})$$

$a(\xi): \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is continuous and satisfies:

$$(a(\xi) - a(\eta)) \cdot (\xi - \eta) > 0, \xi \neq \eta$$

$$a(\xi) \cdot \xi \geq c_1 |\xi|^\alpha - c_0,$$

$$|a(\xi)|^{\alpha'} \leq c_2 |\xi|^\alpha + c_0,$$

($\subset B$ -conditions
with the exponent α)

$$a(\xi) = \int_{\Omega} A(y, \xi + \nabla N(y)) dy$$

$N(y) = N(y, \xi)$ is a solution of the CP

$$N \in W_{per}^{1,\alpha}(\Omega), \quad \operatorname{div} A(y, \xi + \nabla N(y)) = 0 \quad (\text{Cell Problem})$$

Problem 3 (the main problem)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{div} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{\partial u^\varepsilon}{\partial x}\right) = \operatorname{div} g \text{ in } \Omega, \quad g \in L^\infty(\Omega)^d, \\ u^\varepsilon|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

$A(y, \xi)$ is a Carathéodory function, monotone in ξ ,
1-periodic in y_1, \dots, y_d

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A(y, \xi) \cdot \xi \geq c_1 |\xi|^{p(y)} - c_0, \\ |A(y, \xi)|^{p'(y)} \leq c_2 |\xi|^{p(y)} + c_0, \quad p'(y) = \frac{p(y)}{p(y)-1} \end{array} \right. ,$$

(CB-conditions with the
variable exponent $p(y)$)

where

$p(y)$ is measurable on \mathbb{R}^d , 1-periodic in y_1, \dots, y_d ,

$$1 < \alpha \leq p(y) \leq \beta < \infty$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi\right) \cdot \xi \geq c_1 \left|\xi\right|^{p\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)} - c_0, \\ |A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi\right)|^{p'\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)} \leq c_2 \left|\xi\right|^{p\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)} + c_0, \end{array} \right. ,$$

(CB-conditions
with the oscillating
exponent $p^\varepsilon(x) = p\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$)

Setting of the problem ($\varepsilon=1$)

1) Lebesgue-Orlicz and Sobolev-Orlicz spaces

$$L^{P(\cdot)}(\Omega) = \left\{ v \in L^1(\Omega)^d : \int_{\Omega} |v(x)|^{P(x)} dx < \infty \right\}$$

$$\|v\|_{L^{P(\cdot)}(\Omega)} = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{v}{\lambda} \right|^P dx \leq 1 \right\}$$

✓ $W = W_0^{1,P(\cdot)}(\Omega) = \left\{ u \in W_0^{1,1}(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^P dx < \infty \right\}$

$$\|u\|_{W_0^{1,P(\cdot)}(\Omega)} = \|\nabla u\|_{L^{P(\cdot)}(\Omega)}$$

$$L^\beta(\Omega) \subset L^{P(\cdot)}(\Omega) \subset L^\alpha(\Omega)$$

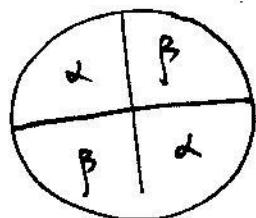
$$W_0^{1,\beta}(\Omega) \subset W_0^{1,P(\cdot)}(\Omega) \subset W_0^{1,\alpha}(\Omega)$$

$C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ is not necessarily dense in $W_0^{1,P(\cdot)}(\Omega)$ \parallel

✓ $H = H_0^{1,P(\cdot)}(\Omega)$ is a closure of $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ in W

$$H \neq W$$

Example (Zhikov, 1984) $d=2$, $\Omega = \{ |x| < 1 \}$



$$p(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & x_1 x_2 \leq 0 \\ \beta, & x_1 x_2 > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha < 2 < \beta$$



$H = W$ if $p(x)$ satisfies log-condition (Fan X., Zhikov 1990)

$$\exists k: |p(x) - p(y)| \leq \frac{k}{\log \frac{1}{|x-y|}} \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega, |x-y| \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

2) Classification of solutions

Definition 1 u is a W -solution (or solution of the 1st type), if

$$u \in W, \quad \int\limits_{\Omega} A(x, Du) \cdot D\varphi dx = \int\limits_{\Omega} g \cdot D\varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in W$$

($\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$)

Definition 2 u is a H -solution (or solution of the 2nd type), if

$$u \in H, \quad \int\limits_{\Omega} A(x, Du) \cdot D\varphi dx = \int\limits_{\Omega} g \cdot D\varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in H$$

($\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$)

Lavrentiev phenomenon: $\exists g$ such that H -solution $\neq W$ -solution

Let V be intermediate: $H \subseteq V \subseteq W$, V solution

All V -solutions are "variational"

Theorem $\exists!$ V -solution

There are other solutions, different of "variational"

Definition u is a weak solution, if

$$u \in W, \quad \int\limits_{\Omega} A(x, Du) \cdot D\varphi dx = \int\limits_{\Omega} g \cdot D\varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$$

Let $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

Theorem The Dirichlet problem (1) has unique W -solution (H -solution), s.t.

$$\int\limits_{\Omega} |Du^\varepsilon|^{p_\varepsilon(x)} dx \leq C, \quad \int\limits_{\Omega} |\lambda(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, Du^\varepsilon)|^{p_\varepsilon'(x)} dx \leq C,$$

$u^\varepsilon \rightarrow u$ in $W^{1,2}(\Omega)$

$$C = \text{const}(c_0, c_1, c_2, \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)})$$

$$\lambda(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, Du^\varepsilon) \rightarrow w \text{ in } L^{p'_*(\Omega)}$$

What is a relation between u and w ? (problem of convergence of fixers)

$$f_i(\xi) = \Gamma_i - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} f_\varepsilon(x, \xi), \quad f_\varepsilon(x, \xi) = f\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi\right), \quad f(y, \xi) = |y|^{p(y)}.$$

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$$f_i(\xi) = \min_{N \in V_i(0)} \int_{\square} f(y, \xi + \nabla N(y)) dy = \int_{\square} f(y, \xi + \nabla N_i(y)) dy$$

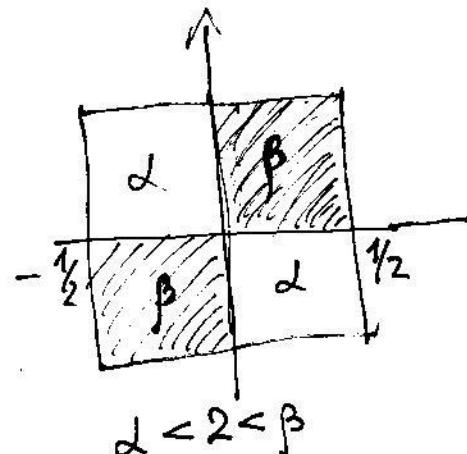
$$V_1(\square) = W_{per}^{1,p(\cdot)}(\square) = \{u \in W_{per}^{1,1}(\square) : \int_{\square} |\partial u|^{p(y)} dy < \infty, \int_{\square} u dy = 0\}$$

$V_2(\square)$ is a closure of $C_{per}^\infty(\square)$ in $W_{per}^{1,p(\cdot)}(\square)$

$$f_1(\xi) \leq f_2(\xi)$$

Example: $f_1 = f_2$

$d=2$, $p(y)$ has a chessboard structure



liminf-property for Γ_i -limit:

$$\liminf_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\square} |\partial u_\varepsilon|^{p_\varepsilon(x)} dx \geq \int_{\square} f_i(\partial u) dx$$

Whenever $u_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{W^{1,d}} u$, $u_\varepsilon \in V_i$

Properties of $f = \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} f_\xi$, $f_\xi(x, \xi) = |\xi|^{P(\frac{x}{\xi})}$

- $f = f(\xi)$ is continuous, convex, even in \mathbb{R}^d
- $f \geq 0$, $f(\xi) = 0 \iff \xi = 0$
- Δ_2 -condition: $f(2\xi) \leq c f(\xi)$

$$L^f = \left\{ \psi \in L^1(\Omega)^d : \int \int f(\psi) dx < \infty \right\}$$

$$\|\psi\|_{L^f} = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \int \int f(\lambda^{-1}\psi) dx \leq 1 \right\}$$

$$W_0^f = \left\{ \varphi \in W_0^{1,1}(\Omega) : \int \int f(\nabla \varphi) dx < \infty \right\}, \|\varphi\|_{W_0^f} = \|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^f}$$

$C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ is dense in W_0^f

f is uniformly convex $\Rightarrow L^f, W_0^f$ are uniformly convex
 } reflexive

$$(L^f)^* = L^{f^*}, \quad f^*(\eta) = \sup_{\xi} [\eta \cdot \xi - f(\xi)]$$

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Return to the monotone equation

$$u^\varepsilon \in W_0^{1,p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \partial u^\varepsilon\right) \cdot \partial \varphi dx = \int_{\Omega} g \cdot \partial \varphi dx \quad \forall \varphi \in W_0^{1,p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\partial u_\varepsilon|^{p_\varepsilon} dx \leq c, \quad \int_{\Omega} |A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \partial u^\varepsilon\right)|^{p_\varepsilon'} dx \leq c$$

$$u_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{W^{1,2}} u$$

$$u \in W_0^f$$

$$A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \partial u^\varepsilon\right) \xrightarrow{L^{p'_*}} w$$

$$w \in L^{f^*}$$

$$a(\xi) = \int_{\Omega} A(y, \xi + DN(y)) dy$$

$$N \in W_{per}^{1,p(\cdot)}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} A(y, \xi + DN) \cdot \partial \varphi dy = 0 \quad \forall \varphi \in W_{per}^{1,p(\cdot)}(\Omega)$$

$a(\xi)$ is continuous

$$(a(\xi) - a(\eta)) \cdot (\xi - \eta) > 0, \quad \xi \neq \eta$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a(\xi) \cdot \xi \geq c_1 f(\xi) - c_0 \\ f^*(a(\xi)) \leq c_2 f(\xi) + c_0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{CB-conditions} \\ \text{of the new type} \end{array}$$

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Limit Problem: for $g \in L^{f^*}(\Omega)$ find
 $u \in W_0^f$, $\operatorname{div} a(\nabla u) = \operatorname{div} g$ (in the sense of distributions)

Theorem $\forall f \in L^{f^*}$ $\exists!$ solution of the limit problem.

Theorem of homogenization (Zh.P., 2011)

Let u^ε be a W -solution of the problem (*).

Then $u^\varepsilon \rightarrow u$ in $W^{1,2}(\Omega)$, $A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right) \rightarrow a(\nabla u)$ in $L^{\frac{p'}{2}}(\Omega)^d$

$$\int_{\Omega} A\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \nabla u^\varepsilon\right) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon dx \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} a(\nabla u) \cdot \nabla u dx,$$

where u is a solution of the limit problem

To prove this result we use monotonicity method + compensated compactness arguments

Compensated Compactness Lemma. Assume

a) $u_\varepsilon \in H_0^{1, p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega)$, $w_\varepsilon \in L_{\text{sol}}^{p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega)$;

b) $\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_\varepsilon|^{p_\varepsilon} dx, \int_{\Omega} |w_\varepsilon|^{p_\varepsilon} dx \leq C < \infty$;

c) $\nabla u_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{L^2} \nabla u$, $w_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{L^{p_\varepsilon}} w$;

d) $\{u_\varepsilon\}_\varepsilon$ is compact in $L^{\frac{p}{2}}(\Omega)$.

Then there holds the convergence of measures

$$w^\varepsilon \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon dx \rightarrow w \cdot \nabla u dx \quad (*)$$

The convergence (*) holds also if a) is replaced with

a') $u_\varepsilon \in W_0^{1, p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega)$, $w_\varepsilon \in L_{\text{sol}, 2}^{p_\varepsilon(\cdot)}(\Omega)$

If $p_\varepsilon \equiv \text{const}$, this is Tartar-Murat Lemma

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Extensions for } vector problems } demand
 } Elasticity Theory problems }

additional condition:

$$1 < \alpha < \beta < d_* = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{d-1-\alpha} & \text{for } \alpha < d-1 \\ +\infty & \text{for } \alpha \geq d-1 \end{cases}$$

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