

# Small-amplitude homogenisation of parabolic equations

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the limit being measurable in  $\mathbf{x}$ , and analytic in  $\gamma$ .

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The method also works on the system of linearised elasticity (see Tartar's paper in the Proceedings of SIAM conference in Leesburgh, Dec 1988)

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Things to check:

1. H-convergence and G-convergence (in particular, analytical dependence of the H-limit on a parameter)
2. Parabolic variant of H-measures
3. What result do we get for small-amplitude homogenisation in this case (possible applications)

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With such coefficients the problem is well posed:

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The set of all such operators  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$  we denote by  $\mathcal{P}(\lambda_0, \Lambda_0, M)$ .

For  $A(t) = -\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{A}(t, \cdot), \cdot)$  we write  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{A}}$  instead of  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$ .

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If each  $A_n$  is of the form:  $A_n(t)u = -\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{A}_n(t, \cdot) \nabla u)$ ,  $u \in V$ , the limit is of the same form, where the matrix coefficients  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfy the same type of bounds, but with different constants. Also, in such a case, on the subsequence we have the convergence

$$\mathbf{A}_{n'} \nabla u_{n'} \rightharpoonup \mathbf{A} \nabla u \quad \text{in } L^2(Q; \mathbf{R}^d) .$$

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On  $X$ , define the weakest topology such that  $R_f$  and  $Q_f$  are continuous.

It is not metrisable.

However, the relative topology on  $\mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta; Q)$  is metrisable.

# Analytical dependence

**Theorem.** *Let  $P \subseteq \mathbf{R}$  be an open set and the sequence  $\mathbf{A}_n : Q \times P \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_{d \times d}(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\mathbf{A}_n(\cdot, p) \in \mathcal{M}(\alpha, \beta; Q)$  for  $p \in P$ . Moreover, suppose that  $p \mapsto \mathbf{A}_n(\cdot, p)$  is analytic mapping from  $P$  to  $L^\infty(Q; \mathbb{M}_{d \times d}(\mathbf{R}))$ .*

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H-measures generalise defect measures: they detect the difference between strong and weak convergence.

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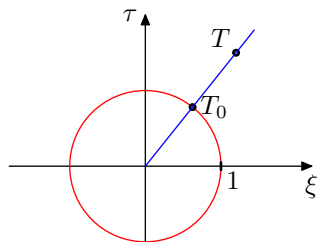
For simplicity (2D):  $(t, x) = (x^0, x^1) = \mathbf{x}$  and  $(\tau, \xi) = (\xi_0, \xi_1) = \boldsymbol{\xi}$

$\hat{\cdot}$  or  $\mathcal{F}$ : the Fourier transform with  $e^{-2\pi i(t\tau + x\xi)}$ ,

$\overline{\mathcal{F}}$ : the inverse

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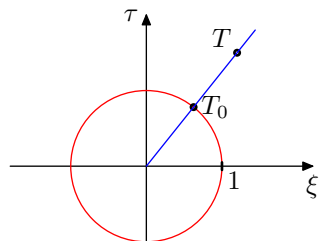
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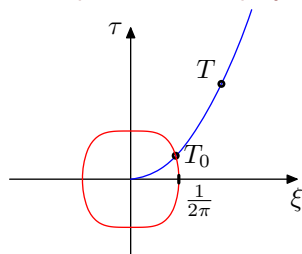
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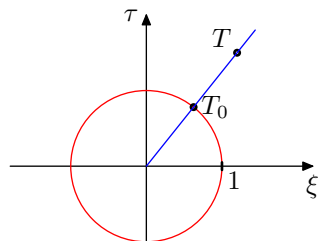
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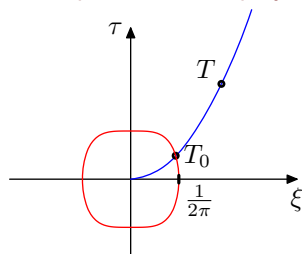
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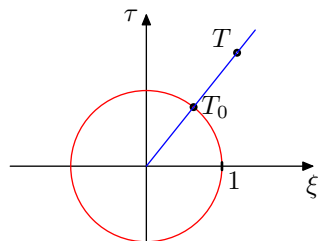
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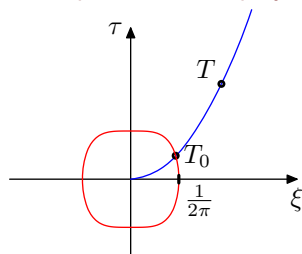
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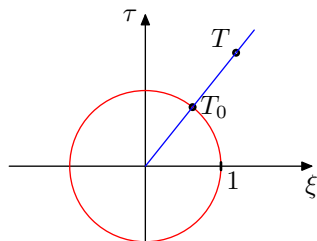
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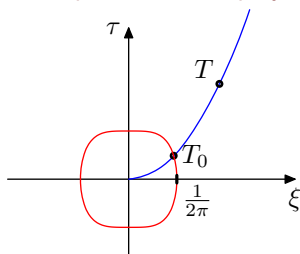
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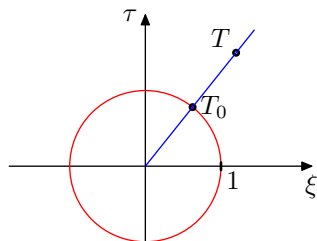
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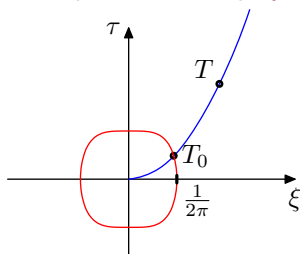
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