

• Sonus 2 - Periodic homogenization of certain fully nonlinear PDEs

inspired by the article of Evans, '92.

Consider:

$$(P) \begin{cases} F(D^2 u_\varepsilon, Du_\varepsilon, u_\varepsilon, x, \frac{\cdot}{\varepsilon}) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u_\varepsilon = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

in the viscosity sense, where  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a nice set, and  $F$  is periodic in the last variable.

→ is that an effective limit eq.?

→ if  $F$  linear → cell problem

→ if  $F$  nonlinear → similar ideas!

To be more precise:

let

$$F: \text{Sym} \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{S} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

s.t.

i)  $\gamma \mapsto F(R, P, u, x, \gamma)$  periodic

ii)  $\exists \theta > 0$  s.t.  $\theta |\xi|^2 \leq -\frac{\partial F}{\partial R_j} \xi_j \xi_j \quad \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$

iii)  $F(R+S, P, u, x, \gamma) + \text{trace}(S) \leq F(R, P, u, x, \gamma)$

$$\forall S \geq 0$$

iii)  $\exists \mu > 0$  s.t.  $u \mapsto F(R, p, u, x, y) - \mu u$   
 is non-decreasing

iv)  $F$  is Lipschitz

• It is possible to prove, under these hypothesis, that  
 $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\sup_{\varepsilon > 0} \|u_\varepsilon\|_{C^{0,\delta}} < +\infty.$$

Then, up to subsequence,  $u_\varepsilon \rightarrow u_0$  uniformly.

$\rightarrow$  Does the  $u_0$  satisfy a limiting equation?

In order to understand it, let us recall the linear case:

$$F(R, p, u, x, y) = a_{ij}(x, y) R_{ij} - f(x).$$

$\xi$  by a formal asymptotic expansion

$$\bar{a}_{ij}(x) u_{ij}(x) - f(x) = 0$$

where:

$$\bar{a}_{ij}(x) := \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} a_{ij}(x, y) m(y) dy,$$

where  $m$  solves:

$$\begin{cases} (a_{ij} m)_{x_i x_j} = 0, \\ \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} m(y) dy = 1. \end{cases}$$

$\leadsto$  the adjoint problem for  $a$

→ | can we write the cell problem in a way that  
| it involves  $F$ ?

It holds that:

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} F(R + D_{yy}^2 v, p, u, x, \gamma) = \lambda \\ v \text{ periodic} \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{this is the} \\ \text{analogous of} \\ \text{the cell problem} \end{array} \right]$$

has a solution  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda = \bar{a}_{ij}(x) R_{ij} - f(x)$ .

[the argument is by Fredholm alternative:

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{has a solution} \Leftrightarrow 0 = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} [a_{ij}(x) R_{ij} - f(x) - \lambda] dx$$

Thus from this heuristic perspective, we guess that

$$\bar{F}(R, p, u, x) = \lambda(R, p, u, x)$$

s.t.  $\Leftrightarrow$  has a solution.

## • Results:

### • Thm 1:

$\forall R \in \text{Sym}, p \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \exists! \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\Leftrightarrow$   
has a solution.

### • Thm 2:

$\bar{F}$  satisfies (i), (ii), (iii).

• Thm 3:

$$u_0 \text{ is a solution of } \begin{cases} F(D^2 u_0, Du_0, u_0, x) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u_0 = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases}$$

Let us take a look at the proof of this last thm:  
take a test function  $\varphi \in C^\infty$  s.t.

$$(u - \varphi)(x_0) = 0$$

is a strict local maximum for  $u - \varphi$ .

claim:

$$F(D^2 \varphi(x_0), D\varphi(x_0), u(x_0), x_0) \leq 0.$$

Assume not.  $= \theta > 0$ .

Let  $v$  be a solution of:

$$\begin{cases} F(D^2 \varphi(x_0) + D_Y^2 v, D\varphi(x_0), u(x_0), x_0) = \theta \\ v \text{ periodic.} \end{cases}$$

Define:

$$\varphi_\varepsilon(x) := \varphi(x) + \varepsilon^2 v\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right).$$

Then (at least heuristically),

$$\begin{aligned} & F(D^2 \varphi_\varepsilon, D\varphi_\varepsilon, \varphi_\varepsilon, x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) = \\ & = F(D^2 \varphi + D_Y^2 v, D\varphi + \varepsilon Dv, \varphi + \varepsilon^2 v, x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \\ & \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow x_0} F(D^2 \varphi(x_0) + D_Y^2 v, D\varphi(x_0), \varphi(x_0), x_0, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \\ & = \theta > 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists r > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in B_r(x_0)$$

$$F(D^2\varphi_\varepsilon(x), D\varphi_\varepsilon(x), \varphi_\varepsilon(x), x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \geq \frac{\rho}{2} > 0$$

↓  
by maximum principle

Also:  $F(D^2u_\varepsilon, Du_\varepsilon, u_\varepsilon, x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (u_\varepsilon - \varphi_\varepsilon)(x_0) \leq \max_{x \in \partial B_r(x_0)} (u_\varepsilon - \varphi_\varepsilon)(x)$$

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⇒  $\nabla$  in contradiction with the hypothesis that  $x_0$  is a point of strict local maximum.

→ in the same way, it's possible to prove the opposite inequality.

Let us consider the proof of Thm 2:

• let  $\delta > 0$  and let  $u_\delta$  be the periodic solution of

$$\delta u_\delta + F(D_y^2 u_\delta + R, p, u, x, y) = 0. \quad \left[ \text{it exists by using (ii) \& Poincaré's method} \right]$$

It holds:

$$\| \delta u_\delta \|_{L^\infty} \leq \| F(R, p, u, \cdot, \cdot) \|_{L^1}$$

$$\sup_{0 < \delta < 1} \| u_\delta \|_{C^{0,\alpha}} < +\infty.$$

Let  $v_s := v_s - \min v_s$ .

Then, up to a subsequence:

$$\cdot \delta \rightarrow 0$$

$$\cdot v_s \rightarrow v$$

$$\cdot \delta v_s \rightarrow -\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

and  $v$  solves:

$$-\lambda + F(D_y^2 v + R, p, u, x, y) = 0.$$

• For uniqueness, assume you have  $\bar{\lambda} > \lambda$  and solutions  $\bar{v}$  and  $v$  of the corresponding p.b.s.

Up to adding a constant, we may assume that  $v > \bar{v}$ .

Moreover, for  $\varepsilon$  small enough, we have

$$\varepsilon \bar{v} + \underbrace{F(D_y^2 \bar{v} + R, p, u, x, y)}_{= \bar{\lambda}} > \varepsilon v + \underbrace{F(D_y^2 v + R, p, u, x, y)}_{= \lambda}$$

But now we can apply the comparison principle, to get that  $\bar{v} \geq v$ .

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