

Homogenization of parabolic convolution type operators with periodic coefficients randomly evolving in time. Higher order approximation

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with $\varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

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In other words, we consider a periodic environment that evolves in time, and the evolution is random, stationary and ergodic.

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Studying the large time behaviour of such systems naturally leads to homogenization problems for the corresponding non-local functionals and operators.

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$$\Lambda = \Lambda(x, y), \quad \Lambda(x, y) = \Lambda(y, x), \quad a(-z) = a(z)$$

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The family u^ε satisfies the following uniform estimate:

$$\|u^\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{R}^d))}^2 - \int_0^T (A^\varepsilon u(\cdot, t), u(\cdot, t)) dt \leq C \|u_0\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}^2.$$

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$$\|A^\varepsilon(t)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \frac{2}{\varepsilon^2} \Lambda^+.$$

If the coefficient $\Lambda(x, y, t)$ is periodic in all the variables, then the following result holds:

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The family $u^\varepsilon\left(x + \frac{c}{\varepsilon}t, t\right)$ converges in law, as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, in the space $L^2(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{R}^d))$ to a solution of the effective SPDE that reads

$$du = \operatorname{div}(\Xi^{\text{eff}} \nabla u) dt - \nabla u \cdot \sigma dW_t, \quad u(x, 0) = u_0(x).$$

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From now on we assume that, in addition to the above assumptions, $a(z)$ has a **finite third moment**:

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