

Strong two-scale convergence for a two-dimensional case

Hội tụ hai-kích thước mạnh cho một trường hợp hai chiều

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Abstract

In this paper, we present definitions and some properties of the classical strong two-scale convergence for component-wise vector or matrix functions in a two-dimensional case.

Keywords: two-scale homogenization; strong two-scale convergence; two-dimensional

Tóm tắt

Trong bài báo này, chúng tôi trình bày các định nghĩa và một số tính chất của hội tụ hai-kích thước mạnh cổ điển cho các hàm vectơ hoặc ma trận trong một trường hợp hai chiều.

Từ khóa: đồng nhất hóa hai-kích thước; hội tụ hai-kích thước mạnh; hai chiều

1. Introduction

We are given in dimension two, a bounded reference domain $\Omega = \Omega^1 \times \Omega^2 \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ and a variable $\mathbf{x} = (x^1, x^2) \in \Omega$. In two-scale homogenization theory, strong two-scale convergence can be viewed as an intermediate property between the usual (one-scale) weak and strong convergence.

In light of this spirit, we first give a necessary review of the usual weak convergence in the Hilbert space $L^2(\Omega)$ then the definitions and properties of the classical strong two-scale convergence for component-wise vector or matrix

functions [1, 2], in a two-dimensional case.

2. Preliminaries

Latin indices are in the set $\{1, 2\}$. The space of functions, vector fields in \mathbb{R}^2 , and 2×2 matrix fields, defined over Ω are represented respectively by italic capitals (e.g. $L^2(\Omega)$), boldface Roman capitals (e.g. V), and special Roman capitals (e.g. \mathbb{S}).

In the rest of this paper, we use the following notations [1]:

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- $Y := [0, 1]^2$ is the reference periodic cell.
- $C_0(\Omega)$ is the space of functions that vanish at infinity.
- $C_{\text{per}}^\infty(Y)$ denotes the Y -periodic C^∞ vector-valued functions in \mathbb{R}^2 . Here, Y -periodic means 1-periodic in each variable $y^i, i = 1, 2$.
- The notation $H_{\text{per}}^1(Y)$, as the closure for the H^1 -norm of $C_{\text{per}}^\infty(Y)$, is the space of vector-valued functions $\mathbf{v} \in L^2(Y)$ such that $\mathbf{v}(y)$ is Y -periodic in \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle_Y = \frac{1}{|Y|} \int_Y \mathbf{v}(y) \, dy.$$

$$H_{\text{per}}(Y) := \{ \mathbf{v} \in H_{\text{per}}^1(Y) \mid \langle \mathbf{v} \rangle_Y = 0 \}.$$

- We use \cdot for the canonical inner products in \mathbb{R}^2 and $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, respectively.
- The notation \lesssim stands for \leq up to a multiplicative constant that only depends on Ω when applicable.

The Sobolev norm $\|\cdot\|_{W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)}$ has the form

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|_{W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)} = (\|\mathbf{v}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}};$$

here, $\|\mathbf{v}\|_{L^2(\Omega)} := \| |\mathbf{v}| \|_{L^2(\Omega)}$, where $|\mathbf{v}|$ represents the Euclidean norm of the 2-component vector-valued function \mathbf{v} , and $\|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_{L^2(\Omega)} := \| |\nabla \mathbf{v}| \|_{L^2(\Omega)}$, where $|\nabla \mathbf{v}|$ denotes the Frobenius norm of the 2×2 matrix $\nabla \mathbf{v}$. Recall that the Frobenius norm on $L^2(\Omega)$ is specified by $|\mathbf{X}|^2 := \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{X} = \text{tr}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})$.

Let ϵ be some natural small scale. For potential applications in homogenization, based on [3, 4, 5, 6], we consider $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \in W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)$ depending on x^1 only, that is, $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(x^1)$, with boundary conditions of Neumann type. As remarked in [7], we do not distinguish between a function on \mathbb{R} and its extension to \mathbb{R}^2 as a function of the first variable. It is assumed that $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon(x^1) = \mathbf{u}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right)$ is a periodic function in x^1 with

period ϵ , equivalently, $\mathbf{u}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) = \mathbf{u}(y^1)$ is a periodic function in y^1 with period 1. That is, for any integer k ,

$$\mathbf{u}_\epsilon(x^1) = \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(x^1 + \epsilon) = \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(x^1 + k\epsilon),$$

equivalently,

$$\mathbf{u}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) = \mathbf{u}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon} + 1\right) = \mathbf{u}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon} + k1\right) = \mathbf{u}(y^1 + k).$$

3. Weak convergence

In the Hilbert space $L^2(\Omega)$, we describe the basic notions of the usual weak convergence, which is defined below [8].

Consider a sequence of functions $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon \in L^2(\Omega)$. Then, (\mathbf{u}_ϵ) is said to be bounded in $L^2(\Omega)$ if

$$\limsup_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_\Omega |\mathbf{u}_\epsilon|^2 \, dx \leq c < \infty,$$

for some positive constant c .

By definition, a sequence $(\mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x})) \in L^2(\Omega)$ is weakly convergent to $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2(\Omega)$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, denoted by $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon \rightharpoonup \mathbf{u}$, if

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_\Omega \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi} \, dx = \int_\Omega \mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi} \, dx, \quad (1)$$

for any test function $\boldsymbol{\phi} \in L^2(\Omega)$.

Furthermore, a sequence (\mathbf{u}_ϵ) in $L^2(\Omega)$ is called strongly convergent to $\mathbf{u} \in L^2(\Omega)$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, denoted by $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon \rightarrow \mathbf{u}$, if

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_\Omega \mathbf{u}_\epsilon \cdot \mathbf{v}_\epsilon \, dx = \int_\Omega \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dx, \quad (2)$$

for every sequence $(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) \in L^2(\Omega)$ which is weakly convergent to $\mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)$.

The following are well-known weak convergence properties in $L^2(\Omega)$.

- Any weakly convergent sequence is bounded in $L^2(\Omega)$.
- Compactness principle: any bounded sequence in $L^2(\Omega)$ has a weakly convergent subsequence.
- If a sequence (\mathbf{u}_ϵ) is bounded in $L^2(\Omega)$ and (1) is satisfied for all $\boldsymbol{\phi} \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$, then $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon \rightharpoonup \mathbf{u} \in L^2(\Omega)$.

(d) If $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon \rightharpoonup \mathbf{u} \in L^2(\Omega)$ and $\mathbf{v}_\epsilon \rightharpoonup \mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)$, then

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{u}_\epsilon \cdot \mathbf{v}_\epsilon \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dx.$$

(e) Weak convergence of (\mathbf{u}_ϵ) to \mathbf{u} in $L^2(\Omega)$ together with

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |\mathbf{u}_\epsilon|^2 \, dx = \int_{\Omega} |\mathbf{u}|^2 \, dx$$

is equivalent to strong convergence of (\mathbf{u}_ϵ) to \mathbf{u} in $L^2(\Omega)$.

Hereafter, we denote by $Y = [0, 1]^2$ the cell of periodicity. (In our paper, a periodic cell has the form $Y = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$.) The mean value of a 1-periodic function $\boldsymbol{\psi}(y^1)$ is denoted by $\langle \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle$, that is,

$$\langle \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle \equiv \int_{Y^1} \boldsymbol{\psi}(y^1) \, dy^1.$$

Recall that $y^1 = \epsilon^{-1} x^1$, and we do not distinguish between a function on Y^1 and its extension to Y as a function of the first variable only.

Also, in our paper, the symbol $L^2(Y)$ is used not only for functions defined on Y but also for the space of functions in $L^2(Y)$ extended by 1-periodicity to all \mathbb{R}^2 . Similarly, $C_{\text{per}}^\infty(Y)$ represents the space of infinitely differentiable 1-periodic functions on the entire \mathbb{R}^2 .

For later use, we need the following classical result.

Lemma 3.1 (The mean value property). *Let $\mathbf{h}(y^1)$ be a 1-periodic function on \mathbb{R} and $\mathbf{h} \in L^2(Y^1)$. Then, for any bounded domain Ω , there holds the weak convergence*

$$\mathbf{h}\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) \rightharpoonup \langle \mathbf{h} \rangle \text{ in } L^2(\Omega) \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0. \quad (3)$$

Proof. The proof is based on property (c) and can be found in [8].

4. Weak two-scale convergence

We have the following definition of weak two-scale convergence in $L^2(\Omega)$ (introduced by in 1989 by Nguetseng) [1, 2].

Definition 4.1. *Let (u_ϵ) be a bounded sequence in $L^2(\Omega)$. If there exist a subsequence, still denoted by u_ϵ , and a function $u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \in L^2(\Omega \times Y^1)$, where $Y^1 = [0, 1]$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \left(\phi(\mathbf{x}) h\left(\frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) \right) \, dx \\ = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) (\phi(\mathbf{x}) h(y^1)) \, dx \, dy^1 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

for any $\phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ and any $h \in C_{\text{per}}^\infty(Y^1)$, then such a sequence u_ϵ is said to weakly two-scale converge to $u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$. This convergence is denoted by $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$.

For vectors \mathbf{u}_ϵ , equation (4) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(\mathbf{x}, \frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) \, dx \\ = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \, dx \, dy^1, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

for every $\boldsymbol{\Phi} \in L^2(\Omega; C_{\text{per}}(Y^1))$, whose choice is explained in [9] (p. 8).

5. Strong two-scale convergence

The further extension of the class of test functions in Definition 4.1 leads to the basis of the following notion of the classical strong two-scale convergence [8, 10].

Definition 5.1. *A bounded sequence $u_\epsilon \in L^2(\Omega)$ is called strongly two-scale convergent if there exists $u = u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \in L^2(\Omega \times Y^1)$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \, dx \\ = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) v(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \, dx \, dy^1 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

for any bounded sequence $v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2(\Omega)$ such that $v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup v(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \in L^2(\Omega)$. This convergence is denoted by $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$.

For vector (or matrix) \mathbf{u}_ϵ , equation (6) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{u}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \, dx \\ = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \, dx \, dy^1. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

In the next well-known results, weak and strong two-scale convergence can be viewed as intermediate properties between the usual (one-scale) weak and strong convergence.

Proposition 5.2. *Let (u_ϵ) be a sequence in $L^2(\Omega)$ and $u \in L^2(\Omega \times Y^1)$. Then,*

$$(i) \quad u_\epsilon \rightarrow u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega) \implies u_\epsilon \rightharpoonup u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega \times Y^1),$$

whenever u is independent of y^1 , the converse also holds,

$$(ii) \quad u_\epsilon \rightharpoonup u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega \times Y^1) \implies u_\epsilon \rightarrow u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega \times Y^1),$$

$$(iii) \quad u_\epsilon \rightharpoonup u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega \times Y^1) \implies u_\epsilon \rightharpoonup \int_{Y^1} u(\cdot, y^1) dy^1 \text{ in } L^2(\Omega).$$

Proof. For (i), the proof is readily followed from Definition 4.1, the mean value property (3), and the property (d) of convergence in L^2 .

For (ii), it is obvious. Indeed, it suffices to take, in Definition 5.1,

$$v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \phi(\mathbf{x})h(\epsilon^{-1}x^1),$$

$\phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$, $h \in L^2(Y^1)$, and recall (3), to derive (4) as desired. Moreover, from $u_\epsilon \rightharpoonup u$ in $L^2(\Omega \times Y^1)$ (6), taking $v_\epsilon = u_\epsilon$, one obtains the relation

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x})|^2 dx = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} |u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)|^2 dx dy^1. \tag{8}$$

For (iii), by the definition of weak two-scale convergence 4.1, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \Phi\left(\mathbf{x}, \frac{x^1}{\epsilon}\right) dx \\ = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \Phi(\mathbf{x}, y^1) dx dy^1, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

for every $\Phi \in L^2(\Omega; C_{\text{per}}(Y^1))$. Choosing $\Phi = 1$ in (9) and applying the property (c) of weak convergence, one obtains

$$u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup \int_{Y^1} u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) dy^1 = \langle u(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) \rangle, \tag{10}$$

which implies that one can reach the usual weak limit from the two-scale limit by taking the average over the cell of periodicity.

The converse of (ii) is also true as follows [8].

Lemma 5.3. *Weak two-scale convergence $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$ together with the relation (8) implies strong two-scale convergence $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$.*

Proof. The proof is based on [8]. Consider an arbitrary subsequence (still denoted by ϵ) $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ such that there exist limits

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) dx = \alpha, \quad \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x})|^2 dx = \beta,$$

where $v_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup v(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$. Then, using the lower semicontinuity property [8] for $tv_\epsilon + u_\epsilon$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |tv_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) + u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x})|^2 dx \\ \geq \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} |tv(\mathbf{x}, y^1) + u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)|^2 dx dy^1. \end{aligned}$$

Applying (8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} t^2\beta + 2t\alpha \geq t^2 \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} |v|^2 dx dy^1 \\ + 2t \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} uv dx dy^1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} 2t \left(\alpha - \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} uv dx dy^1 \right) \\ \geq t^2 \left(-\beta + \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} |v|^2 dx dy^1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

On the right hand side of this inequality, we apply the lower semicontinuity property [8] again for v_ϵ . Then, with the arbitrariness of t , we must have

$$\alpha = \int_{\Omega \times Y^1} uv dx dy^1,$$

which is our desired result.

The following theorem is stated and proved in [8].

Theorem 5.4. *Let $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2(\Omega)$, $u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rightharpoonup u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$. Suppose in addition that $u(\mathbf{x}, y^1)$ is a Carathéodory function, $u(\mathbf{x}, y^1) \leq \Phi_0(y^1)$, $\Phi_0 \in L^2(Y^1)$. Then,*

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |u_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{x}, \epsilon^{-1}x^1)|^2 dx = 0. \tag{11}$$

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