

Homogenization of random parabolic operators.

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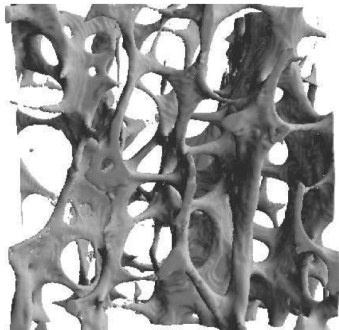
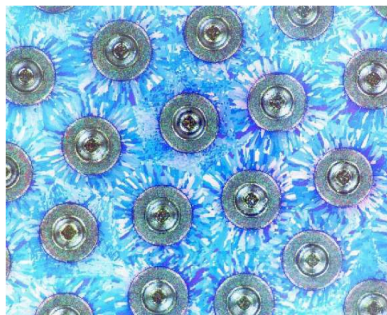
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Composite materials.

Physical parameters (conductivity, elasticity, etc.)

- Discontinuous
- Oscillate between different values characterizing each of the components
- Very rapidly oscillations.

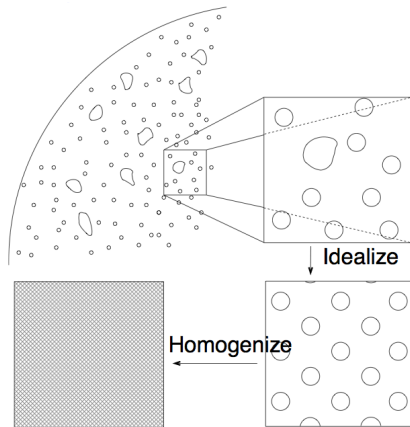
Microscopic structure: complicated.



Homogenization process.

Approximation of the macroscopic behaviour

- ε describes the fineness of the microscopic structure.
- The parameter ε tends to zero.

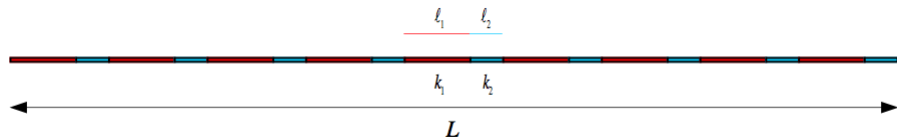


Example in dimension 1.

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{d}{dx} \left(a^\varepsilon(x) \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(a\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \frac{du}{dx} \right) = f, & \text{on } [0, L] \\ u(0) = u(L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$a : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is **periodic** and **uniformly elliptic**.

Practical example: linear piece submitted to some orthogonal force with density f , a being the rigidity of materials.



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If $0 < \alpha \leq a(x) \leq \beta < +\infty$

- Existence of a unique solution u^ε (Lax-Milgram theorem).
- Convergence (up to a subsequence) to u^0 (weakly in $H_0^1(0, L)$).
- Convergence of a^ε to the mean value $\langle a \rangle$ of a (weakly in L^2).

Belief ? u^0 solution of

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\langle a \rangle \frac{du^0}{dx} \right) = -\langle a \rangle \frac{d^2 u^0}{dx^2} = f, & \text{on } [0, L] \\ u^0(0) = u^0(L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

False in general.

Right answer.

Consider $\xi^\varepsilon = a^\varepsilon(x) \frac{du^\varepsilon}{dx}(x)$.

- Convergence in L^2 to ξ^0 .
- Implies weak convergence in L^2 of $\frac{1}{a^\varepsilon} \xi^\varepsilon$ to $\langle \frac{1}{a} \rangle \xi^0$.
- Hence: $\frac{du^0}{dx}(x) = \langle \frac{1}{a} \rangle \xi^0$.
- Since $-\frac{d\xi^\varepsilon}{dx}(x) = f$:

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\langle \frac{1}{a} \rangle} \frac{du^0}{dx}(x) \right) = -\frac{1}{\langle \frac{1}{a} \rangle} \frac{d^2 u^0}{dx^2}(x) = -A^{\text{eff}} \frac{d^2 u^0}{dx^2}(x) = f.$$

Comparison: arithmetic mean $\langle a \rangle \geq A^{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{\langle \frac{1}{a} \rangle}$ harmonic mean.

Example of the bar:

$$\langle a \rangle = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2}, \quad \text{and} \quad A^{\text{eff}} = \frac{2k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2}.$$

Find the right effective matrix.

In general, a difficult problem. Among other references:

- ▶ **Bensoussan, Lions, Papanicolaou (1978).**
 - Periodic structure.
 - Link with SDE: $u^\varepsilon(x) = \mathbb{E}^x(f(X_\tau^\varepsilon))$

$$X_t^\varepsilon = x + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^t b\left(\frac{X_r^\varepsilon}{\varepsilon}\right) dr + \int_0^t \sigma\left(\frac{X_r^\varepsilon}{\varepsilon}\right) dW_r \stackrel{law}{=} \varepsilon X_{t/\varepsilon^2}^1.$$

▶ ...

Under some assumptions, compacity argument (G-convergence in the symmetric case): existence of A^{eff} and convergence of subsequences.

A very useful technic: **asymptotic expansion using multiple scales.**

Asymptotic expansion: back to the example.

Expansion with “slow” and “fast” variables:

$$u^\varepsilon(x) = u_0(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon u_1(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon^2 u_2(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) + \dots$$

where the functions $u_i(x, y)$ are periodic in y .

Plug this into

$$\mathcal{A}^\varepsilon u^\varepsilon = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(a^\varepsilon(x) \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right) \frac{du}{dx} \right) = f$$

and use for $\phi^\varepsilon(x) = \phi(x, x/\varepsilon)$

$$\frac{\partial \phi^\varepsilon}{\partial x}(x) = \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right) \left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon} \right).$$

Remark: $z \mapsto u_i(z, z/\varepsilon) \approx z \mapsto u_i(x, z/\varepsilon)$ around x .

Asymptotic expansion: terms in ε^{-2} .

Expansion with “slow” and “fast” variables:

$$u^\varepsilon(x) = u_0\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon u_1\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \varepsilon^2 u_2\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \dots$$

For u_0 :

$$(\mathcal{A}_0 u_0)(x, x/\varepsilon) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(a \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} \right) (x, x/\varepsilon) = 0$$

- Problem: fix x as a parameter and find $u_0(x, \cdot)$ periodic s.t. $(\mathcal{A}_0 u_0)(x, y) = 0$.
- Answer: existence of $u_0(x, \cdot)$ and $u_0(x, y) = u^0(x)$.

Asymptotic expansion: terms in ε^{-1} .

Expansion with “slow” and “fast” variables:

$$u^\varepsilon(x) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon u_1(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon^2 u_2(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) + \dots$$

For u_1 : find $u_1(x, \cdot)$ periodic s.t.

$$(\mathcal{A}_0 u_1)(x, y) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(a \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} \right) (x, y) = \frac{\partial a}{\partial y}(y) \frac{\partial u^0}{\partial x}(x).$$

Solution: by separation of variables take $u_1(x, y) = \chi(y) \frac{\partial u^0}{\partial x}(x)$

- with a **corrector** χ periodic solution of

$$-\frac{d}{dy} \left(a(y) \frac{d\chi}{dy} \right) = \frac{da}{dy}.$$

Asymptotic expansion: terms in ε^0 .

Expansion with “slow” and “fast” variables:

$$u^\varepsilon(x) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon \chi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \frac{\partial u^0}{\partial x}(x) + \varepsilon^2 u_2\left(x, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) + \dots$$

For u_2 : find $u_2(x, \cdot)$ periodic s.t.

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathcal{A}_0 u_2)(x, \cdot) &= f(x) - (\mathcal{A}_1 u_1)(x, \cdot) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(a(\cdot) \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x} \right) (x, \cdot) \\ &= f(x) + \left[\left(a \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} \right) + a + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (a \chi) \right] (y) \frac{\partial^2 u^0}{\partial x^2}(x).\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Necessary (and sufficient) condition: mean of the right-hand side equal zero. Equivalent to:

$$-\langle a(y) + a(y) \frac{d\chi}{dy} \rangle \frac{\partial^2 u^0}{\partial x^2} = f.$$

Conclusion of this expansion.

Expansion with “slow” and “fast” variables:

$$u^\varepsilon(x) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon \chi(x/\varepsilon) \frac{du^0}{dx}(x) + \dots$$

- Short computation (in dimension 1):

$$\langle a(y) + a(y) \frac{d\chi}{dy} \rangle = \frac{1}{\langle 1/a \rangle}.$$

- u^0 solution of

$$-\frac{1}{\langle 1/a \rangle} \frac{d^2 u^0}{dx^2} = f$$

- χ periodic solution of

$$-\frac{d}{dy} \left(a(y) \frac{d\chi}{dy} \right) = \frac{da}{dy}.$$

Limit and rate of convergence of u^ε .

► Diff case $\alpha = 2$

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Random field:

$$-\operatorname{div}(a(x/\varepsilon, \omega) \nabla u^\varepsilon) = f.$$

where $a(x, \omega)$ is a random field:

- **Uniform ellipticity:** $\lambda Id \leq a \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} Id$
- **Ergodicity**
- ...

Some references:

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- ▶ ...

A parabolic equation.

Parabolic operator:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} a_{ij} \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi_{t/\varepsilon^\alpha} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

- $\varepsilon > 0$ small parameter and $\alpha > 0$.
- $a_{ij}(z, y)$: matrix supposed to be periodic in z and **uniformly elliptic**.
- ξ : diffusion process in \mathbb{R}^d with **invariant measure with density p** , and infinitesimal generator

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i,j} q_{ij}(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + \sum_i b_i(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i}.$$

Notation: if $\phi(z, y)$ is a periodic function in z , then

- $\langle \phi(\cdot, y) \rangle$ is the mean over a period.
- $\overline{\phi(z, \cdot)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi(z, y) p(y) dy$ is the mean w.r.t. p .

Summarize the result

Theorem (Kleptsyna-Piatnitsky, 1997)

Let $u^\varepsilon(x, t)$ be solution of $u^\varepsilon(x, 0) = g(x)$ with

$$\frac{\partial u^\varepsilon}{\partial t} - \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon u^\varepsilon = \frac{\partial u^\varepsilon}{\partial t} - \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} a_{ij} \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi t / \varepsilon^\alpha \right) \frac{\partial u^\varepsilon}{\partial x_j} = 0.$$

Then u^ε converges (in a suitable space) in probability to u^0 , solution of

$$\frac{\partial u^0}{\partial t} - \text{Trace}(A^{\text{eff}} D^2 u^0) = 0, \quad u^0(\cdot, 0) = g.$$

- 1 If $\alpha = 2$, simultaneous homogenization: $A^{\text{eff}} = \overline{\langle a + a \nabla \chi^0 \rangle}$, $(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{L})\chi_j^0 = -\text{div}(a_{j\cdot})$.
- 2 If $\alpha < 2$, periodic homogenization first: $A^{\text{eff}} = \overline{\mathbb{A}}$ where \mathbb{A} homogenized operator (w.r.t. x/ε) for the family $\text{div}(a(x/\varepsilon, y)\nabla)$ (with y as parameter).
- 3 If $\alpha > 2$, essential random effect: A^{eff} homogenized operator for $\text{div}(\tilde{a}(x/\varepsilon)\nabla)$ and $\tilde{a}(z) = \overline{a(z, \cdot)}$.

Assumptions

Denote

$$\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{L} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} a_{ij}(z, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} + q_{ij}(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + b_i(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i}$$

Conditions:

- **Uniform ellipticity** of a and q .
- a and q (and their derivatives) uniformly bounded.
- + technical condition on b to have a **unique invariant measure with density ρ** .
- + technical condition on ρ and q to obtain required estimates (**mixing properties**).
- Initial value g : smooth enough (can be weakened).

Some possible extensions.

- Add a drift (Diop et al., 2006):

$$\frac{\partial u^\varepsilon}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div} \left(a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^\alpha} \right) \nabla u^\varepsilon \right) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{1 \wedge \alpha / 2}} g \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^\alpha}, u^\varepsilon \right) + h \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^\alpha}, u^\varepsilon \right)$$

- Degenerate case (Pardoux et al., 2009).
- Itô-Lévy case and partial integro-differential equations (Rhodes & Sow, 2009).
- ...

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Case $\alpha = 2$.

Recall that u^ε converges to u^0 . Consider

$$U^\varepsilon = \frac{u^\varepsilon - u^0}{\varepsilon} - \chi^0\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \nabla u^0.$$

Theorem

U^ε converges in law in the space $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$ to the solution of:



$$dU^0 = \left[\operatorname{div} (A^{\text{eff}} \nabla U^0) + \mu \frac{\partial^3 U^0}{\partial x^3} \right] dt + \Lambda^{1/2} \frac{\partial^2 U^0}{\partial x^2} dW_t,$$

$$U^0(x, 0) = 0$$

where

- $U^0 : [0, +\infty[\times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, W is a standard n^2 -dimensional Wiener process,
- and

$$\mu \frac{\partial^3 U^0}{\partial x^3} = \sum_{i,j,k} \mu^{ijk} \frac{\partial^3 U^0}{\partial x_i \partial x_j \partial x_k}, \quad \Lambda^{1/2} \frac{\partial^2 U^0}{\partial x^2} dW_t = \sum_{ijkl} (\Lambda^{1/2})^{ijkl} \frac{\partial^2 U^0}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} dW_t^{kl}$$

Some remarks

Comments on the assumptions

- Proved for $a(z, s)$ supposed to be periodic in z and stationary ergodic in s with a good mixing property.
- Case $a(z, s) = a(z, \xi_s)$ as particular case.
- Initial condition g : should be sufficiently smooth.
- Diffusive scaling ($\alpha = 2$): crucial.

Comments on the result

- The tensors μ and $\Lambda^{1/2}$ are constant.
- The SPDE is well-posed and defines the limit law of U^ε uniquely.
- $\chi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \nabla u^0$ converges weakly in L^2 to zero. Thus the limit in law in the weak topology of $\varepsilon^{-1}(u^\varepsilon - u^0)$ is that of U^ε .

Idea of the proof

Formal asymptotic expansion

$$u^\varepsilon(x, t) = u^0(x, t) + \varepsilon u^1\left(x, t, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) + \varepsilon^2 u^2\left(x, t, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) + \dots$$

with functions $u^j(x, t, z, s)$ periodic in z , but not always stationary in s .

Collecting power-like terms

- ▶ ε^{-1} : $u^1(x, t, z, s) = \chi(z, s) \nabla_x u^0(x, t)$ with

$$\partial_s \chi - \operatorname{div}_z(a(z, s) \nabla_z \chi) = \operatorname{div}_z(a(z, s)).$$

- ▶ ε^0 : Convergence of ... in law in $C(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{R}^n))$ to $V^{0,1}$

$$dV^{0,1} = \operatorname{div}(A^{\text{eff}} \nabla V^{0,1}) dt + (\Lambda^{1/2})^{ijkl} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} u^0(x, t) dW_{t,kl}$$

- ▶ ε^1 : Convergence of ... a.s. strongly in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$ to:

$$\frac{\partial \Xi_{0,2}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(A^{\text{eff}} \nabla \Xi_{0,2}) + \mu \frac{\partial^3 u^0}{\partial x^3}, \quad \Xi_{0,2}(x, 0) = 0$$

Summarize

$$\begin{aligned} u^\varepsilon &= u^0 + \varepsilon \chi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \nabla u^0 + \varepsilon \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon} V^{\varepsilon,1} + \Xi_{\varepsilon,2} \right] \\ &+ \varepsilon \left[\text{Trace} \left(\varepsilon \chi_{2,2}\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) D^2 u^0 \right) + R^\varepsilon \right]. \end{aligned}$$

and a.s. strongly in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$

$$\varepsilon \chi_{2,2}, \quad R^\varepsilon(x, t) \rightarrow 0.$$

Conclusion:

$$\begin{aligned} U^\varepsilon &= \frac{u^\varepsilon - u^0}{\varepsilon} - \chi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \nabla u^0 \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\varepsilon} V^{\varepsilon,1} + \Xi_{\varepsilon,2} \rightarrow V^{0,1} + \Xi_{0,2} \end{aligned}$$

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When $\alpha < 2$.

Recall $u^\varepsilon(x, 0) = u^0(x) = g(x)$ and

$$\partial_t u^\varepsilon = \operatorname{div}(a(x/\varepsilon, \xi_{t/\varepsilon^\alpha}) \nabla u^\varepsilon), \quad \partial_t u^0 = A^{\text{eff}} D^2 u^0$$

with

$$A^{\text{eff}} = \bar{A} = \overline{\langle a + (a\chi^0)_z + a\chi_z^0 \rangle}, \quad \mathcal{A}\chi^0 = -a_z.$$

Theorem

Let $\delta = 2 - \alpha$ and $J_0 = \lfloor \frac{1}{\delta} - \frac{1}{2} \rfloor + 1$

$$U^\varepsilon = \varepsilon^{-\alpha/2} \left[u^\varepsilon - u^0 - \sum_{k=1}^{J_0} \varepsilon^{k\delta} u^k \right]$$

converge in law in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d \times (0, T))$ to a solution of a linear SPDE, where

$$\partial_t u^k = A^{\text{eff}} u_{xx}^k + \sum_{m=0}^{k-1} \overline{\langle f^{k-m} \rangle} u_{xx}^m, \quad u^k(x, 0) = 0.$$

with $\chi^k = \chi^k(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi_{t/\varepsilon^\alpha})$: $\mathcal{A}\chi^k = \mathcal{L}\chi^{k-1}$, and $f^k = (a\chi^k)_z + a\chi_z^k$.

Proof ($\alpha < 2$).

Write

$$V^\varepsilon = \varepsilon^{-\alpha/2} \left[u^\varepsilon - u^0 - \sum_{k=1}^{J_0} \varepsilon^{k\delta} u^k - \varepsilon \left(\sum_{r=0}^{J_0} \sum_{k=0}^{J_0} \varepsilon^{(k+r)\delta} \chi^k \nabla u^r \right) \right]$$

Apply Itô's formula. With an initial condition $V^\varepsilon(\cdot, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} dV^\varepsilon(x, t) - \operatorname{div} \left[a \left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \xi_{\frac{t}{\varepsilon^\alpha}} \right) \nabla V^\varepsilon \right] dt \\ = \varepsilon^{-\alpha/2} H^\varepsilon(x, t) dt + R^\varepsilon(x, t) dt + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \Theta^\varepsilon(x, t) dW_t. \end{aligned}$$

Estimates :

- Initial condition and remainder:

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\|V^\varepsilon(\cdot, 0)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 + \|R^\varepsilon\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d \times (0, T))}^2 \right) \leq C \varepsilon^{1-\alpha/2}.$$

- Stochastic integrals (with anticipating stochastic calculus):

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\|V_W^\varepsilon\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d \times (0, T))}^2 \right) \leq C \varepsilon^{4-2\alpha} |\log(\varepsilon)|.$$

Case $\alpha > 2$.

Define $\delta = \alpha - 2 > 0$, $J_0 = \lceil \frac{\alpha}{2} \rceil$, and $J_1 = \lfloor \frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor$.

Expansion

$$V^\varepsilon = \varepsilon^{-\alpha/2} \left\{ u^\varepsilon - u^0 - \sum_{k=1}^{J_0} \varepsilon^k u^k - \sum_{k=1}^{J_0} \varepsilon^k \sum_{n=1}^k \chi^n \left(\frac{X}{\varepsilon} \right) \nabla_x^n u^{k-n} - \sum_{k=1}^{J_1} \varepsilon^{k\delta} v^k \right\}.$$

where u^k and v^k are defined by some recurrence procedure.

Itô's formula:

$$dV^\varepsilon = (\mathcal{A}^\varepsilon V^\varepsilon) dt - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (\kappa_y^1 u_x^0 + \varepsilon^\delta H^\varepsilon + \varepsilon G^\varepsilon) q(\xi_{t/\varepsilon^\alpha}) dW_t + R^\varepsilon dt,$$

with $G^\varepsilon, R^\varepsilon = O(\varepsilon^\nu)$, $\nu > 0$ and

$$V^\varepsilon(x, 0) = - \sum_{k=1}^{N_0} \varepsilon^{k-\alpha/2} \sum_{n=1}^k \chi^n \left(\frac{X}{\varepsilon} \right) \partial_x^n u^{k-n}(x, 0) + O(\varepsilon^\nu).$$

Thank you for your attention

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