

# Asymptotic spectral analysis in nanowires with axial heterogeneities

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# Motivation

We consider the *stationary Schrödinger equation* with zero potential in a

**thin bounded tubular domain of thickness  $\delta$  :  $\Omega_\delta \subset \mathbb{R}^3$**

To find the **spatial wave function  $\psi_\delta$**  and the **energy levels  $E$**  reduces to solve :

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta\psi_\delta = E \psi_\delta, & \text{in } \Omega_\delta, \\ \psi_\delta = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega_\delta, \end{cases}$$

or, in a standard mathematical notation, forgetting the constants,

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta v_\delta = \lambda^\delta v_\delta, & \text{in } \Omega_\delta, \\ v_\delta = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega_\delta. \end{cases}$$

where  $0 < \lambda_1^\delta \leq \lambda_2^\delta \leq \dots \rightarrow +\infty$

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If the thin tube is **non-homogeneous**, the particle behaves as if its mass  $m(x)$  varies and we are lead to consider the stationary **Schrödinger effective-mass equation**, with zero potential :

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{1}{m(x)} \nabla \psi_\delta(x) \right) = E \psi_\delta(x), & x \in \Omega_\delta, \\ \psi_\delta(x) = 0 & x \in \partial\Omega_\delta, \end{cases}$$

or, following a more general notation  $\left( A(x) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 m(x)} \mathbb{I} \right)$

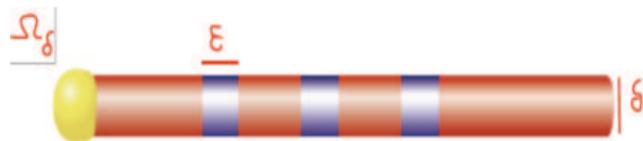
$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div} (A \nabla v_\delta) = \lambda^\delta v_\delta, & \text{in } \Omega_\delta, \\ v_\delta = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega_\delta. \end{cases}$$

where again  $0 < \lambda_1^\delta \leq \lambda_2^\delta \leq \dots \rightarrow +\infty$

- If the properties of the tube vary with high frequency, having  **$\varepsilon$ -periodic heterogeneities**, the energy levels will depend strongly on  $\delta$  (or  $\varepsilon$ ) and on the ratio  $\delta/\varepsilon$

# Problem

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(A_\varepsilon \nabla v_\varepsilon^\delta) = \lambda_\varepsilon^\delta v_\varepsilon^\delta, & \text{in } \Omega_\delta, \\ v_\varepsilon^\delta \in H_0^1(\Omega_\delta) \end{cases}$$



$$0 < \lambda_\varepsilon^{\delta,0} \leq \lambda_\varepsilon^{\delta,1} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_\varepsilon^{\delta,i} \leq \lambda_\varepsilon^{\delta,i+1} \leq \dots$$

$$\delta \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_\varepsilon^{\delta,i} \rightarrow +\infty, \quad \forall i$$

- We analyse  $\varepsilon$ -periodic axial heterogeneities :  
 $A_\varepsilon(x) = A(x_3/\varepsilon)$ ,  $A$  is  $[0,1]$ -periodic in  $\mathbb{R}$
- We study the behavior of spectrum as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  and  $\delta \rightarrow 0$
- We look for the 1D limit problem

# Notations and hypothesis

$\delta, \varepsilon > 0$  small parameters

$$\Omega_\delta := \delta\omega \times I, \quad \omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2, \quad I := (0, L)$$

$$x^\delta = (\delta\bar{x}, x_3) \in \Omega_\delta, \quad \bar{x} = (x_1, x_2) \in \omega, \quad x_3 \in I, \quad Y := [0, 1]$$

$$u' := \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_3}, \quad \bar{\Delta}u := \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^2}$$

$A \in [L^\infty(\mathbb{R})]^{3 \times 3}$ , **diagonal**,  **$Y$ -periodic**,

$$A(y) = \text{diag}(b(y), b(y), a(y))$$

$$\eta \leq a(y), b(y) \leq \zeta,$$

for a.e.  $y \in Y$  and for some  $0 < \eta < \zeta$

$$A_\varepsilon(x_3) = \text{diag}(b_\varepsilon(x_3), b_\varepsilon(x_3), a_\varepsilon(x_3))$$

$$a_\varepsilon(x_3) = a\left(\frac{x_3}{\varepsilon}\right), \quad b_\varepsilon(x_3) = b\left(\frac{x_3}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

# Rescaled problem

**Usual procedure** : change of variables, setting the problem in the fixed domain  $\omega \times I$  :

$$x^\delta = (\bar{x}^\delta, x_3) \in \Omega_\delta = \delta\omega \times I \mapsto x = \left( \frac{\bar{x}^\delta}{\delta}, x_3 \right) \in \omega \times I$$

$$\tilde{v}_\varepsilon^\delta(x^\delta) = v_\varepsilon^\delta(x)$$

obtaining the **rescaled problem** :

$$\begin{cases} -\left(a_\varepsilon(v_\varepsilon^\delta)'\right)' - \frac{b_\varepsilon}{\delta^2} \bar{\Delta} v_\varepsilon^\delta = \lambda_\varepsilon^\delta v_\varepsilon^\delta, & \text{a.e. in } \omega \times I, \\ v_\varepsilon^\delta \in H_0^1(\omega \times I) \end{cases}$$

**3 cases** :  $\delta = \varepsilon^\tau$  ( $\delta/\varepsilon = \varepsilon^{(\tau-1)}$ )

$\varepsilon \approx \delta$  :  $\tau = 1$

$\varepsilon \ll \delta$  :  $\tau < 1$

$\varepsilon \gg \delta$  :  $\tau > 1$

# Cellular and cross section problems

3 cases :  $\varepsilon \approx \delta$  :  $\tau = 1$ ;  $\varepsilon \ll \delta$  :  $\tau < 1$ ;  $\varepsilon \gg \delta$  :  $\tau > 1$

We introduce the 1<sup>st</sup> normalized eigenpair  $(\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}, \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau})$  of the 1D cell problem

$$\begin{cases} -\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)} \left( a(\phi_{\varepsilon}^{\tau})' \right)' + b \rho_0 \phi_{\varepsilon}^{\tau} = \mu_{\varepsilon}^{\tau} \phi_{\varepsilon}^{\tau}, & \text{in } Y, \\ \phi_{\varepsilon}^{\tau} \in H_{\#}^1(Y), \end{cases}$$

where  $\rho_0$  is the 1<sup>st</sup> eigenvalue of the following 2D problem in the cross section  $\omega$  :

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta \theta = \rho \theta, & \text{in } \omega, \\ \theta \in H_0^1(\omega), \end{cases}$$

$\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}$  and  $\rho_0$  are real, positive and simple, and the associated normalized eigenfunctions  $\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}$  and  $\theta_0$  may be chosen to be a strictly positive.

$\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}$  is absolutely continuous.

# Auxiliar results

## Proposition 1

For each fixed  $\tau, \varepsilon$ , we reduce the **3D** eigenvalue pb to a family of **1D** eigenvalue pbs, parametrized by the **2D** eigenvalues in the cross section  $\omega$ .

For  $n$  fixed, let  $\{\lambda_k^{(n)}\}_{k \geq 0}$  be the  $k$ -sequence of eigenvalues for the **1D** spectral pb :

$$\begin{cases} -\left(a\varphi'\right)' + b\rho_n\varphi = \lambda\varphi, & \text{a.e. in } I, \\ \varphi \in H_0^1(I), \end{cases}$$

where  $\{\rho_n\}$  is the sequence of eigenvalues of the **2D** cross section pb.

Then,  $\{\lambda_k^{(n)}\}_{k,n \geq 0}$  coincides with the sequence  $\{\tilde{\lambda}_m\}$  of eigenvalues, repeated according to their multiplicity, of the **3D** pb

$$\begin{cases} -\left(av'\right)' - b\bar{\Delta}v = \lambda v, & \text{a.e. in } \omega \times I, \\ v \in H_0^1(\omega \times I). \end{cases}$$

The corresponding modes  $\{v_k^{(n)}\}_{k,n \geq 0}$  are products  $\theta_n(\bar{x}) \varphi_k^{(n)}(x_3)$ . □

# Auxiliar results

## Proposition 2

Fix  $\tau, \varepsilon > 0$ . Let  $(\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau, \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau)$  be the 1<sup>st</sup> normalized eigenpair of the 1D cell pb. Relate  $v$  and  $u$  by the formula

$$v(x_3) = \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) u(x_3), \text{ a.e. } x_3 \in I.$$

Then

- $v \in H_0^1(I) \iff u \in H_0^1(I)$
- $\int_I \left( a_\varepsilon |v'|^2 + \frac{b_\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} \rho_0 |v|^2 - \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} |v|^2 \right) dx_3 = \int_I \left( a_\varepsilon \left[ \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) \right]^2 |u'|^2 \right) dx_3$
- $\lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau$  ( $\nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau$  are eigenvalues of right hand side pb)

**Remark :** The crucial point is to analyse the behavior of the 1<sup>st</sup> eigenpair  $(\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau, \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau)$  of the cell pb, when  $\tau \neq 1$  □

## Proposition 3 (Vishik - Lyusternik)

Let  $L : H \rightarrow H$  be a linear compact self-adjoint operator in a Hilbert space  $H$ , and suppose that  $\lambda > 0$  and  $f \in H$  are such that

$$\|Lf - \lambda f\|_H \leq \gamma.$$

Then

- There exists an eigenvalue  $\bar{\lambda}$  of  $L$  :

$$|\bar{\lambda} - \lambda| \leq \gamma \|f\|_H^{-1}$$

- For  $d > \gamma \|f\|_H^{-1}$ , there exists a  $\bar{f}$ ,  $\|\bar{f}\|_H = \|f\|_H$ , linear combination of eigenvectors associated with the eigenvalues lying in the interval  $[\lambda - d, \lambda + d]$ , satisfying

$$\|\bar{f} - f\|_H \leq 2d^{-1}\gamma$$



## Case $\delta = \varepsilon$

- $\delta = \varepsilon$  ( $\tau = 1$ )
- $(\mu_0, \phi_0)$  is the 1<sup>st</sup> normalized eigenpair of the cell pb :

$$\begin{cases} -\left(a(y)\phi_0'\right)' + b(y)\rho_0 \phi_0 = \mu_0\phi_0, & \text{in } Y, \\ \phi_0 \in H_{\#}^1(Y) \end{cases}$$

- $\mu_0 > 0$  simple
  - $\phi_0 > 0$ ,  $\phi_0 \in H_{\#}^1(Y)$ , continuous
- 
- $\tilde{\alpha}^h := \left( \frac{1}{|Y|} \int_Y \frac{1}{a(y)[\phi_0(y)]^2} dy \right)^{-1}$

## Case $\delta = \varepsilon$

### Theorem 1 ( $\delta = \varepsilon$ )

Let  $(\lambda_{\varepsilon,k}, \nu_{\varepsilon,k})$  be the  $k^{\text{th}}$  eigenpair of the rescaled pb for  $\delta = \varepsilon$ .

Then

$$\lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon^2} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}$$

$$\nu_{\varepsilon,k} \rightarrow \nu_k$$

$$\nu_{\varepsilon,k} \rightarrow \theta_0(\bar{x}) \varphi_k(x_3) \text{ in } L^2(\omega \times I)$$

where  $(\nu_k, \varphi_k)$  is a  $k^{\text{th}}$  eigenpair :

$$\begin{cases} -\tilde{a}^h \varphi'' = \nu \varphi \\ \varphi \in H_0^1(I) \end{cases}$$

and conversely. □

## Case $\delta \gg \varepsilon$

- $\delta = \varepsilon^\tau$ ,  $0 < \tau < 1$
- $(\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau, \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau)$  normalized 1<sup>st</sup> eigenpair :

$$\begin{cases} -\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)} \left( a(y) \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \right)' + b(y) \rho_0 \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau = \mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau, & \text{in } Y, \\ \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \in H_{\#}^1(Y) \end{cases}$$

- $\psi_0 \equiv 1$  in  $Y$ ,  $\gamma_j := \rho_0 \int_Y b(y) \psi_j(y) dy$  ( $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ )

$\psi_j$  solutions of the recurrence problems in  $H_{\#}^1(Y)$

$$\begin{cases} -\left( a(y) \psi_j \right)' = -b(y) \rho_0 \psi_{j-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \gamma_k \psi_{j-1-k}, \\ \int_Y \psi_j(y) dy = 0 \end{cases}$$

- $a^h := \left( \frac{1}{|Y|} \int_Y \frac{1}{a(y)} dy \right)^{-1}$

## Case $\delta \gg \varepsilon$

### Theorem 2 ( $\delta \gg \varepsilon$ )

Let  $(\lambda_{\varepsilon,k}, \nu_{\varepsilon,k})$  be the  $k^{\text{th}}$  eigenpair of the rescaled pb and  $i \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{i-1}{i} < \tau \leq \frac{i}{i+1}$ .

Then, as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau} \rightarrow \gamma_0 = \rho_0 \int_Y b(y) dy, \quad \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}(\bar{x}/\varepsilon) \rightarrow \psi_0 \equiv 1 \text{ (uniformly)}$$

$$\lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^{\tau} = \sum_{j=0}^i \frac{\gamma_j}{\varepsilon^{2[\tau(j+1)-j]}} + \rho_{\varepsilon,i}^{\tau} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^{\tau}$$

- $\rho_{\varepsilon,i}^{\tau} \rightarrow 0, \quad \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^{\tau} \rightarrow \nu_k^{\tau},$
- $\nu_{\varepsilon,k} \rightarrow \theta_0(\bar{x}) \varphi_k(x_3), \quad \text{in } L^2(\omega \times I)$
- $(\nu_k, \varphi_k)$  a  $k^{\text{th}}$  eigenpair :

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$$\tau = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\gamma_0}{\varepsilon} + \gamma_1 + \nu_{\varepsilon,k} + \rho_{\varepsilon,1}^{\tau};$$

- $\rho_{\varepsilon,i}^{\tau} \rightarrow 0, \quad \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^{\tau} \rightarrow \nu_k^{\tau},$
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$$\tau = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\gamma_0}{\varepsilon} + \gamma_1 + \nu_{\varepsilon,k} + \rho_{\varepsilon,1}^{\tau};$$

$$\tau = \frac{2}{3}, \quad \lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\gamma_0}{\varepsilon^{4/3}} + \frac{\gamma_1}{\varepsilon^{2/3}} + \gamma_2 + \nu_{\varepsilon,k} + \rho_{\varepsilon,2}^{\tau}$$

- $\rho_{\varepsilon,i}^{\tau} \rightarrow 0, \quad \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^{\tau} \rightarrow \nu_k^{\tau},$
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### Remark

If  $\sum_{j \geq 0} \|\psi_j\|_{L^2(Y)} < +\infty$  then

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} |\gamma_j| < +\infty \quad \sum_{j \geq 0} \gamma_j = \mu_0, \quad \sum_{j \geq 0} \psi_j = \frac{\phi_0}{\int_Y \phi_0 \, d\bar{y}}.$$

( $(\mu_0, \phi_0)$  is the 1st eigenpair of the cell pb for  $\tau = 1$ )

Since  $\frac{i-1}{i} < \tau \leq \frac{i}{i+1} < 1$  :

$$\sum_{j=0}^i \frac{\gamma_j}{\varepsilon^{\tau(2j+2)-2j}} (\tau < 1) \rightarrow \frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon^2} (\tau = 1)$$

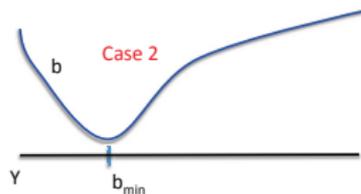
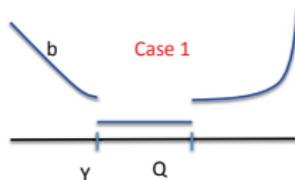
for fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$  and as  $\tau \rightarrow 1^-$  ( $i \rightarrow +\infty$ ).

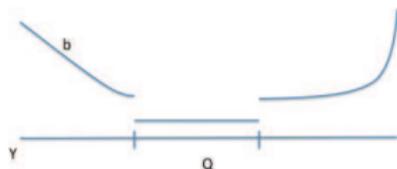
## Cases $\delta \ll \varepsilon$

- $\delta = \varepsilon^\tau, \tau > 1$
- This case is more delicate to handle due to the **degeneracy** of the cell pb :

$$\begin{cases} -\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)} \left( a(y) \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \right)' + b(y) \rho_0 \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau = \mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau, & \text{in } Y, \\ \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \in H_{\#}^1(Y), \end{cases}$$

- The asymptotic behavior of  $\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau$  **depends strongly on the behavior of the potential  $b$** .
- We will show **two cases**, for two different behaviors of  $b$



$\delta \ll \varepsilon$  - case 1

- Let  $a$  be smooth
- $\exists Q$ , open interval,  $Q \subset\subset Y$  :
  - $b \equiv b_{\min} := \min_Y b$  on  $Q$
  - $b$  is smooth,  $b > b_{\min}$  on  $Y \setminus Q$
- Let  $(\nu_0, q_0)$  be the normalized 1st eigenpair of pb

$$\begin{cases} -(a q')' = \nu q, \text{ a.e. in } Q, \\ q \in H_0^1(Q) \end{cases}$$

# $\delta \ll \varepsilon$ - case 1

**Theorem 3** ( $\delta \ll \varepsilon$  - case 1) Let  $i \in \mathbb{N} : i \geq \frac{2}{\tau-1}$ . Then, as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ ,

- $\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \rightarrow b_{\min} \rho_0$ ,  $\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \rightarrow q_0$  in  $H^1(Y)$
- $\lambda_{\varepsilon,0} = \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau = \frac{b_{\min} \rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \frac{\nu_0}{\varepsilon^2} + \varepsilon^{\tau-3} \mu_1 + \dots + \varepsilon^{i(\tau-1)-2} \mu_i + \rho_{\varepsilon,i}^\tau + \nu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau$

$$|\rho_{\varepsilon,i}^\tau| \leq C \varepsilon^{(i+\frac{1}{2})\tau - (i+\frac{5}{2})} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\nu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau := \inf_{\substack{\psi \in H_0^1(I) \\ \|\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau(\frac{\cdot}{\varepsilon})\psi\|_{L^2(I)}=1}} \left\{ \int_{\omega} \left| \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) \right|^2 a \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) |\psi'|^2 dx_3 \right\} \rightarrow 0^+$$

$$\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau(y) = \varepsilon^{\tau-1} P_\varepsilon(y) + r_{i,\varepsilon}, \quad y \in Y \setminus Q$$

$$\|r_{i,\varepsilon}\|_{L^2(Y \setminus Q)} \leq c_i \varepsilon^{2+\frac{1}{i}}; \quad |P_\varepsilon(y)|^2 \leq \sum_{m=1}^i a_m \left( \frac{y}{\varepsilon} \right)^{j_m} e^{-b_m \frac{y}{\varepsilon}},$$

$a_m, b_m \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $j_m \in \mathbb{N}$  independent of  $\varepsilon$

□

## Remark

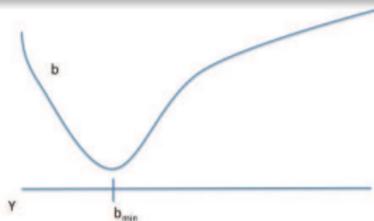
This is valid under weaker regularity hypotheses on the coefficients. It suffices that

- $a$  are  $C^{i+2}(Y)$ ,
- $b$  is  $C^{i+2}(Y \setminus \mathcal{Q})$ ,  
where  $i$  is the smallest natural number satisfying  $i \geq \frac{2}{\tau-1}$ .

The smaller  $\tau - 1 > 0$  is, the more regularity is required

## $\delta \ll \varepsilon$ - case 2

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- Let  $b$  have a strict minimum in an interior point  $y_0 \in Y$ 
  - $b(y_0) = b_{\min} := \min_Y b$
  - $b'(y_0) = 0$
  - $b''(y_0) > 0$
- Let  $a$  be smooth and  $b$  smooth in a neighborhood of  $y_0$
- Let  $(\nu_0, \psi_0)$  be the 1st normalized eigenpair of the **harmonic oscillator**

$$\begin{cases} -a(y_0) \psi'' + \frac{b''(y_0) \rho_0}{2} t^2 \psi = \nu \psi, \text{ a.e. in } \mathbb{R}, \\ \psi \in H_0^1(\mathbb{R}) \end{cases}$$

## $\delta \ll \varepsilon$ - case 2

**Theorem 4** ( $\delta \ll \varepsilon$  - case 2) Let  $i \in \mathbb{N} : i \geq \frac{\tau+3}{\tau-1}$ . Then, as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ ,

- $\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \rightarrow b_{\min} \rho_0$

- $\lambda_{\varepsilon,0} = \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau =$

$$\frac{b_{\min} \rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \frac{\nu_0}{\varepsilon^{\tau+1}} + \frac{\mu_3}{\varepsilon^{\frac{\tau+3}{2}}} + \dots + \varepsilon^{\frac{i+2}{2}(\tau-1)-2\tau} \mu_{i+2} + \rho_{\varepsilon,i}^\tau + \nu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau$$

$$|\rho_{\varepsilon,i}^\tau| \leq C \varepsilon^{\frac{(i+3)(\tau-1)}{4\tau}} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\nu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau := \inf_{\substack{\psi \in H_0^1(I) \\ \|\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau(\frac{\cdot}{\varepsilon})\psi\|_{L^2(I)}=1}} \left\{ \int_{\omega} \left| \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) \right|^2 a \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) |\psi'|^2 dx_3 \right\} \rightarrow 0^+$$

$$\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau(y) = \varepsilon^{-(\tau-1)/4} \psi_0 \left( \frac{y-y_0}{\varepsilon^{(\tau-1)/2}} \right) \sigma_\varepsilon(y) + R_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau$$

$$\|R_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau\|_{L^2(Y)} \leq c \varepsilon^{(\tau-1)/2}$$

$(\nu_0, \psi_0)$  is the 1<sup>st</sup> normalized eigenpair of the **harmonic oscillator**

$\sigma_\varepsilon$  is a convenient cut-off function in  $Y$ . □

# Idea of the proofs

## Main steps

- Using **Proposition 1** we turn the rescaled problem for  $\delta = \varepsilon^\tau$  :

$$\begin{cases} -(a_\varepsilon v'_\varepsilon)' - \frac{b_\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} \bar{\Delta} v_\varepsilon = \lambda_\varepsilon^\delta v_\varepsilon, & \text{a.e. in } \omega \times I, \\ v_\varepsilon \in H_0^1(\omega \times I) \end{cases}$$

into the 1D pb

$$\begin{cases} -(a_\varepsilon v'_\varepsilon)' + \frac{b_\varepsilon \rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} v_\varepsilon = \lambda_\varepsilon^\delta v_\varepsilon, & \text{a.e. in } I, \\ v_\varepsilon \in H_0^1(I) \end{cases}$$

- Using **Proposition 2** we obtain that :

$$\int_I \left( a_\varepsilon |v'|^2 + \frac{b_\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} \rho_0 |v|^2 - \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} v \right) dx = \int_I \left( a_\varepsilon \left[ \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau \left( \frac{x_3}{\varepsilon} \right) \right]^2 |u'|^2 \right) dx$$

$$\lambda_{\varepsilon,k} = \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau}{\varepsilon^{2\tau}} + \nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau \quad (\nu_{\varepsilon,k}^\tau \text{ are eigenvalues of right hand side pb.})$$

- The crucial point is to analyse the behavior of the 1<sup>st</sup> eigenpair  $(\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}, \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau})$  of the cell pb, when  $\tau \neq 1$  :

$$\begin{cases} -\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)} \left( a(y) \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau} \right)' + b(y) \rho_0 \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau} = \mu_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau} \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau}, & \text{in } Y, \\ \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^{\tau} \in H_{\#}^1(Y) \end{cases}$$

- We use **classical homogenization** results, **formal expansions** and **Proposition 3**, to justify the development of the eigenpair
- The development must attain an order superior to  $2\tau$
- In the degenerate cases  $\tau > 1$  we must also use **convenient changes of variables**, **depending on the behavior of the potential  $b$** .

# Idea of the proofs

$\tau > 1$ - case 2 :

- For the particular case  $a$  constant and  $b(y) = b_{\min} + c(y - 1/2)^2$ , the cell pb will behave like the **quantum harmonic oscillator** :

$$-a(\phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau)'' + \frac{c\rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)}}(y - 1/2)^2 \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau = \left( \frac{\mu_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau - b_{\min} \rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)}} \right) \phi_{\varepsilon,0}^\tau$$

This give us a hint of how to analyze the general case.

- When the coefficient  $\nu_0 = \sqrt{\frac{c\rho_0}{\varepsilon^{2(\tau-1)}}$  is of order  $1/\varepsilon^{(\tau-1)}$ , then the corresponding principal mode  $\psi_0$  behaves like a function of  $t/\sqrt{\varepsilon^{\tau-1}}$ , divided by  $\sqrt[4]{\varepsilon^{\tau-1}}$ .

This justifies the following change of variables, forgetting the fixed index  $\tau$  :

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\varepsilon^{\tau-1}}, \quad t = \frac{y - y_0}{\varepsilon}, \quad \varphi_\varepsilon(t) = \phi_\varepsilon^\tau(y_0 + \varepsilon t), \quad t \in \left[ \frac{-y_0}{\varepsilon}, \frac{1 - y_0}{\varepsilon} \right]$$

# Idea of the proofs

$\tau > 1$ - case 2 :

- Cell pb becomes :

$$\begin{cases} -\epsilon^2 \left( a(y_0 + \epsilon t) (\varphi_\epsilon)' \right)' + b(y_0 + \epsilon t) \rho_0 \varphi_\epsilon = \mu_\epsilon \varphi_\epsilon, \\ \varphi_\epsilon \in H_{\#}^1 \left( \frac{-y_0}{\epsilon}, \frac{1-y_0}{\epsilon} \right). \end{cases}$$

- We assume the expansions :

$$\mu_\epsilon = b_{\min} \rho_0 + \epsilon^2 \mu_2 + \epsilon^3 \mu_3 + \dots + \epsilon^k \mu_k + \dots$$

$$\varphi_\epsilon(t) = \varphi_0(t) + \epsilon \varphi_1(t) + \epsilon^2 \varphi_2(t) + \dots + \epsilon^{k-2} \varphi_{k-2}(t) + \dots$$

$$a(y_0 + \epsilon t) = a(y_0) + \epsilon a'(y_0) t + \epsilon^2 \frac{a''(y_0)}{2} t^2 + \dots + \epsilon^{k-1} \frac{a^{(k-1)}(y_0)}{(k-1)!} t^{k-1} + \epsilon^k \frac{a^{(k)}(\theta)}{(k)!} t^k$$

$$b(y_0 + \epsilon t) = b_{\min} + \epsilon^2 \frac{b''(y_0)}{2} t^2 + \epsilon^3 \frac{b'''(y_0)}{3!} t^3 + \dots + \epsilon^{k-1} \frac{b^{(k-1)}(y_0)}{(k-1)!} t^{k-1} + \epsilon^k \frac{b^{(k)}(\xi)}{(k)!} t^k$$

- We apply the usual asymptotic techniques.

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