# HIERARCHICAL UPSCALING AND MODEL REDUCTION TECHNIQUES FOR MULTISCALE DUAL-CONTINUUM SYSTEMS

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#### ABSTRACT

Simulation in media with multiple interacting continua is often challenging due to distinct properties of the continua, multiple scales and high contrast. Thus, some type of model reduction is required. One of the approaches is a multi-continuum technique, where every process in each continuum is modeled separately and an interaction term is added. Direct numerical simulation in multiscale multi-continuum media is very expensive as it requires a large number of degrees of freedom to completely resolve the micro-scale variation. In this work, we present efficient upscaling and model reduction methods for multiscale dual-continuum systems.

We first consider the numerical homogenization of a multiscale dual-continuum system where the interaction terms between the continua are scaled as  $O(1/\epsilon^2)$  where  $\epsilon$  is the microscopic scale. Computing the effective coefficients of the homogenized equations can be expensive because one needs to solve local cell problems for a large number of macroscopic points. We develop a hierarchical approach for solving these cell problems at a dense network of macroscopic points with an essentially optimal computation cost. The method employs the fact that neighboring representative volume elements (RVEs) share similar features; and effective properties of the neighboring RVEs are close to each other. The hierarchical approach reduces computation cost by using different levels of resolution for cell problems at different macroscopic points. Solutions of the cell problems which are solved with a higher level of resolution are employed to correct the solutions at neighboring macroscopic points that are computed by approximation spaces with a lower level of resolution.

We then consider the case where the interaction terms of the dual-continuum system are scaled as  $O(1/\epsilon)$ . We derive the homogenized problem that is a dual-continuum system which contains features that are not in the original two scale problem. In particular, the homogenized dual-continuum system contains extra convection terms and negative interaction coefficients while the interaction coefficient between the continua in the original two scale system obtains both positive and negative values. We prove rigorously the homogenization convergence and homogenization convergence rate. Homogenization of dual-continuum system of this type has not been considered before. We present the numerical examples for computing effective coefficients using hierarchical finite element methods.

We assume the above mentioned homogenized equation still possess some degree of multiscale and high contrast features caused by channels in the media. This motivates us to develop the generalized multiscale finite element method (GMsFEM) for an upscaled multiscale dual-continuum equations with general convection and interaction terms. GMs-FEM systematically generates either uncoupled or coupled multiscale basis, via establishing local snapshots and spectral decomposition in the snapshot space. Then the global problem is solved in the constructed multiscale space with a reduced dimensional structure. Convergence analysis of the proposed GMsFEM is accompanied with the numerical results, which support the theoretical results.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Fluid flow simulation was early known to be based on the concept of porous medium as a single continuum. However, in nature, a porous medium (as stratum or fissured rock) may possess some degree of fracturing. This hence motivated the notion of dual continua, or more generally, multi-continua (see [1], for instance), thanks to mean characteristics (porosity, permeability, pressure, ...) of the media and flow. For example (see [1]), a dual-continuum background can consist of a matrix (first continuum) and a system of naturally connected fractures (second continuum). In such heterogeneous media, the simulation of flow is hard, mainly because of the distinct properties of continua, multiple scales and high contrast and it requires some model reduction techniques. In multi-continuum approach, [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] the equations for each continuum are written separately with some interaction terms (exchange terms) that represent interrelations between the continua.

In many scientific problems involving multi-continuum media, each continuum possesses multiscale feature. Direct numerical simulation in multiscale multi-continuum media is very expensive as it requires a large number of degrees of freedom to completely resolve the fine-scale features. For this reason, some type of upscaling or multiscale method is needed to average or capture the micro-scale effect on the macro-scales. In this work, we study efficient upscaling and model reduction methods for multiscale dual-continuum systems.

When there is a scale separation and the coefficients of the multiscale equations are periodic or locally periodic, the equations can be approximated by the corresponding homogenized equations whose coefficients do not vary rapidly. The theory of homogenization has a long and successful history. We mention only those now classical references Bensoussan et al. [7], Bakhvalov and Panasenko [8] and Jikov et al. [9]. However, for multiscale multi-continuum systems, there has been very little literature. The homogenization of these systems can result in very interesting effective phenomena that are not often seen in homogenization literature.

Homogenization of multiscale multicontinuum systems have not been paid much attention. We contribute in this work the first rigorous results on homogenization of a two scale two continuum system where the interaction between the continua is scaled as  $1/\epsilon^2$ where  $\epsilon$  represents the microscopic scale of the medium. We derive the homogenized problem from the two-scale asymptotic expansion [7, 8, 9]. We show that for this scale of the interaction term, we obtain the same limit for both continua. Other scaling regimes of this term give rise to other limiting behaviours which will be studied in our forthcoming publications. The effective coefficients of the homogenized equation are established via the solutions of cell problems which are systems of equations of a similar form as the two continuum system. Since the two scale coefficients depend on both macro- and microscale variables, a different set of cell equations needs to be solved at each macroscopic point. The number of equations to be solved is thus very large. Solving them using the same fine mesh at every macroscopic point is extremely expensive.

One of the main contributions of the dissertation is the development of a hierarchical approach to solve these cell problems to obtain the effective coefficients for the multicontinuum system for a large number of macroscopic points, using an optimal number of degrees of freedom, without sacrificing the accuracy. It solves cell problems for a dense hierarchical network of macroscopic points with different levels of resolution. The problems at those points belonging to a lower level in the hierarchy are solved with a higher level of accuracy. For the solution at a macroscopic point at a higher level in the hierarchy macroscopic points that are solved with a higher level of accuracy to correct the error. We show that this hierarchical FE approach obtains the same level of accuracy at every macroscopic point as that obtained when every cell problem is solved with the highest level of resolution (we will refer to this as the full reference solve below), but uses only an essentially optimal number of degrees of freedom that is equal to that required to solve only one cell problem at the finest level of resolution (apart from a possible logarithmic factor).

In the second part of the dissertation, we study the homogenization of the two-scale dual-continuum system with the interaction terms scaled as  $O(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$  where  $\epsilon$  represents the micro-scale. We show that the homogenized equation for this case is very interesting and complicated. The homogenized dual-continuum system consists of convection continuum interacting terms which do not appear in the original two-scale system. Furthermore, the homogenized dual-continuum system has negative interaction coefficients while the interaction coefficients of the original two scale system can have both positive and negative values. The phenomenon of the convection term in the homogenization limit has been discovered before, e.g. in Allaire and Piatnitski [10] when homogenization of a reaction-diffusion equation with a large reaction term is studied. However, in [10], this term is due to the dependence on the  $\epsilon^2$  microscopic time scale. In this work, we have a convection term in the homogenized equation is without this microscopic time scale.

We provide a rigorous proof of homogenization convergence. The proof is new and difficult because of the  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -scale of the interaction terms in our system and the complicated homogenization limit. We also derive a homogenization error under regularity conditions for the solutions to the cell problems and the homogenized equation. Such a homogenization error has never been derived for multiscale multi-continuum systems before.

Although the homogenization technique is effective for simulations in media with scale separation or periodic structure, it is limited to the problems where the media of interest locally has a few important modes. In order to overcome the limits of homogenization technique as well as integrate the heterogeneity of the multicontinua and reduce the computational cost, based on the multiscale finite element method (MsFEM) as in [11, 12], the generalized multiscale finite element method (GMsFEM) was developed ([13]). This method allows one to systematically construct multiple multiscale basis functions, by adding new degrees of freedom (basis functions) in each coarse block. These new basis functions are calculated by constructing the local snapshots and performing local spectral decomposition in the snapshot space. That is, the producing eigenfunctions can convey the local characteristics to the global ones, via the multiscale basis functions in coarse grid.

The generalized multiscale finite element methods (GMsFEM) ([13]) has been successfully applied to a number of multiscale multi-continuum problems. A recent example is about shale gas transport in dual-continuum background consisting of organic and inorganic materials ([14]). In this spirit, a third continuum can be added to dual continua as an extension (see [15], for instance). More generally, flow simulation in heterogeneously varying multicontinua was investigated (see [6, 16, 17], for instance). Additionally, there are various and active studies on new model reduction techniques including constraint energy minimizing GMsFEM (CEM-GMsFEM) ([18, 19, 20]) and related numerical methods for multi-continuum systems ([21]) including non-local multi-continuum method (NLMC) ([22, 23, 24, 25]). These methods construct multiscale basis functions solving well-designed local constrained energy minimization problems. The basis functions of reduced system are related to the solutions on each continuum in each coarse elements and these approaches effectively handle high-contrast as well as multiscale features in multi-continuum media.

Herein, we develop the GMsFEM for an upscaled multiscale multi-continuum system. We consider the special case where the multiple continua occur at many scales. Starting from a microscopic scale, the multi-continua are upscaled via homogenization, to reach an intermediate scale. At this stage, the multicontinua still possess some degree of multiscale. Hence, they are then simulated by the GMsFEM, to arrive at coarse-grid (macroscopic) level. More specifically, being motivated my the homogenized equation derived in the second part of the dissertation, we develop the GMsFEM for a multiscale upscaled dual-continuum system with general convection and interaction terms. The GMsFEM has never been utilized for this type of upscaled dual-continuum equations.

The dissertation is organized as follows. In Chapter 2, we study the homogenization and the hierarchical finite element algorithm for a multiscale dual-continuum system where the interaction between the continua is scaled as  $\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$ . We outline the hierarchical finite element algorithm for solving the cell problems at all macroscopic points. We present a rigorous error estimates and the numerical results. We rigorously prove the homogenization convergence. In Chapter 3, We study the homogenization of a multiscale dualcontinuum system where the interaction term is scaled as  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ . We perform the two scale asymptotic expansion to derive the homogenized dual-continuum systems. We then state the main results on the convergence of the solution of the multiscale multi-continuum system to the solution of the homogenized multi-continuum system. We derive a corrector and prove a homogenization error estimate. In Chapter 4, We utilize the GMsFEM for an upscaled dual-continuum system derived in Chapter 3. We provide an overview of the uncoupled and coupled GMsFEM. We derive convergence analysis, for both uncoupled and coupled GMsFEM. Then we present the numerical results. Finally, the appendix in the end of the dissertation contains the proofs of the existence and uniqueness of solutions to both the original two scale system and the homogenized equations in Chapter 3.

Throughout the dissertation, by  $\nabla$ , we denote the gradient with respect to x of a function that depends only on the variable x, or the variables x and t. By  $\nabla_x$ , we denote the partial gradient with respect to x of a function that depends on x, t and also other variables. Repeated indices indicate summation. The notation # denotes spaces of periodic functions.

## 2. HIERARCHICAL MULTISCALE FINITE ELEMENT METHOD FOR MULTI-CONTINUUM MEDIA

\* The hierarchical finite element method has been developed to solve the cell problems and compute the effective coefficients for multiscale equations. In [26], the method was developed for the effective coefficients of deterministic two-scale Stokes-Darcy systems in a slowly varying porous medium. In [27], they use the hierarchical algorithm for a twoscale ergodic random homogenization problem without assuming microscopic periodicity. In this chapter, we follow the framework of these papers, but we utilize the hierarchical approach to compute homogenization coefficients for a two-scale dual-continuum system where the interaction terms are scaled as  $O(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2})$ . The interaction terms give the interesting cell problems (2.4) in the form of a system of coupled equations.

### 2.1 **Problem formulation**

### 2.1.1 Homogenization of multi-continuum systems

In multi-continuum approaches, equations for each continuum are written separately. We denote by  $u_i$  the solution for *i*th continuum. In the general case where each continuum interacts with every other continuum, we have the following system of equations introduced in [6]

$$\mathcal{C}^{\epsilon}_{ii}(x)\frac{\partial u^{\epsilon}_{i}(t,x)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa^{\epsilon}_{i}(x)\nabla u^{\epsilon}_{i}(t,x)) + Q^{\epsilon}_{i}(u^{\epsilon}_{1}(t,x),...,u^{\epsilon}_{N}(t,x)) + q_{i}, \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is a domain (d = 2, 3),  $\kappa_i^{\epsilon}$  are the multiscale permeability and  $C_{ii}^{\epsilon}$  are the multiscale porosities,  $q_i$  are the source terms, and the functions  $Q_i^{\epsilon}$  of  $(u_1, ..., u_N)$  are

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exchange terms (see [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) that describe the interaction of continua;  $\epsilon$  represents the microscopic scale of the local variation.

In this chapter, we consider a dual-continuum system. Let Y be the unit cube in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Let  $C_{ii}(x, y)$ ,  $\kappa_i(x, y)$  (i = 1, 2) be continuous functions on  $\Omega \times Y$  which are Y-periodic with respect to y and q be a function in  $L^2(\Omega)$ . We assume further that there is a constant c > 0 such that for all  $x \in \Omega, y \in Y$ 

$$\mathcal{C}_{ii}(x,y) \ge c, \ \kappa_i(x,y) \ge c, \ Q(x,y) \ge c.$$
(2.1)

We define the two scale coefficients as

$$\mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon}(x) = \mathcal{C}_{ii}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ \kappa_i^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ Q^{\epsilon}(x) = Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$

We consider in this work the case where the interaction terms are scaled as  $O(1/\epsilon^2)$ ; this case has the most interesting cell problems in the form of a coupled system. We consider the multiscale dual-continuum system

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x)\frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + q, \\
\mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x)\frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + q,$$
(2.2)

with the Dirichlet boundary condition  $u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) = 0$  for  $x \in \partial\Omega$ , and with the initial condition  $u_1^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_1$ ,  $u_2^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_2$  where  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are in  $L^2(\Omega)$ . We consider the following two-scale asymptotic expansion of  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$ .

$$u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{10}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \cdots,$$
  
$$u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{20}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \cdots,$$

where the functions  $u_{1i}(t, x, y)$  and  $u_{2i}(t, x, y)$  are periodic with respect to y. Performing the two-scale asymptotic expansion, from (2.2) we obtain

$$C_{11} \frac{\partial (u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots)}{\partial t} = (\operatorname{div}_x + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \operatorname{div}_y)(\kappa_1 (\nabla_x + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \nabla_y)(u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q(u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} - u_{10} - \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots) + q,$$

$$C_{22} \frac{\partial (u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots)}{\partial t} = (\operatorname{div}_x + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \operatorname{div}_y)(\kappa_2 (\nabla_x + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \nabla_y)(u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q(u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} - u_{20} - \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots) + q,$$
(2.3)

For the  ${\cal O}(\epsilon^{-2})$  terms, we obtain,

$$\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y)\nabla_{y}u_{10}(t,x,y)) + Q(x,y)(u_{20}(t,x,y) - u_{10}(t,x,y)) = 0$$
$$\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,y)\nabla_{y}u_{20}(t,x,y)) + Q(x,y)(u_{10}(t,x,y) - u_{20}(t,x,y)) = 0.$$

From this, we have

$$-\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} u_{10} \cdot \nabla_{y} u_{10} dy + \int_{Y} Q(u_{20} - u_{10}) u_{10} dy = 0$$
$$-\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} u_{20} \cdot \nabla_{y} u_{20} dy + \int_{Y} Q(u_{10} - u_{20}) u_{20} dy = 0$$

Adding these two equations, we obtain

$$\int_{Y} \kappa_1 \nabla_y u_{10} \cdot \nabla_y u_{10} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2 \nabla_y u_{20} \cdot \nabla_y u_{20} dy + \int_{Y} Q(u_{20} - u_{10})^2 dy = 0.$$

This implies  $\nabla_y u_{10} = 0$ ,  $\nabla_y u_{20} = 0$ . i.e.  $u_{10}$  and  $u_{20}$  are independent of y, and  $u_{10}(t, x) = u_{20}(t, x) = u_0(t, x)$  as  $Q(x, y) > c > 0 \ \forall x \in \Omega, y \in Y$ . For the  $O(\epsilon^{-1})$  terms in (2.3),

we have,

$$\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}\nabla_{y}u_{10}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}\nabla u_{10}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}\nabla_{y}u_{11}) + Q(u_{21} - u_{11}) = 0$$
$$\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}\nabla_{y}u_{20}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}\nabla u_{20}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}\nabla_{y}u_{21}) + Q(u_{11} - u_{21}) = 0$$

Since  $u_{10}$  and  $u_{20}$  are independent of y, we have

$$div_y(\kappa_1 \nabla_y u_{11}) + Q(u_{21} - u_{11}) = -div_y(\kappa_1 \nabla u_0)$$
$$div_y(\kappa_2 \nabla_y u_{21}) + Q(u_{11} - u_{21}) = -div_y(\kappa_2 \nabla u_0)$$

Thus  $u_{11} = \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i} N_1^i$  and  $u_{21} = \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i} N_2^i$  where  $N_1^i(x, \cdot) \in H^1_{\#}(Y)/\mathbb{R}$ , and  $N_2^i(x, \cdot) \in H^1_{\#}(Y)/\mathbb{R}$  are solutions of the cell problem

$$div_y(\kappa_1(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i)) + Q(x,y)(N_2^i - N_1^i) = 0$$
  

$$div_y(\kappa_2(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i)) + Q(x,y)(N_1^i - N_2^i) = 0,$$
(2.4)

where  $e^i$  is the *i*th unit vector in the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . For the  $O(\epsilon^0)$  terms in (2.3), integrating over Y, one has

$$\begin{split} &\int_Y \mathcal{C}_{11} \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} dy \\ &= \int_Y \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_1 \nabla u_0) dy + \int_Y \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_1 \nabla_y u_{11}) dy + \int_Y Q(u_{22} - u_{12}) dy + \int_Y q dy, \\ &\int_Y \mathcal{C}_{22} \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} dy \\ &= \int_Y \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_2 \nabla u_0) dy + \int_Y \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_2 \nabla_y u_{21}) dy + \int_Y Q(u_{12} - u_{22}) dy + \int_Y q dy. \end{split}$$

Adding these two equations, one obtains the homogenized equation

$$\left(\int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy + \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy\right) \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1^* \nabla u_0) + \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2^* \nabla u_0) + \int_{Y} 2q dy \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad (2.5)$$

where the x-dependent permeabilities are defined as

$$\kappa_{1ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_1(x,y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_1^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i}) dy, \quad \kappa_{2ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_2(x,y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_2^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i}) dy$$
(2.6)

We will show later that the matrix  $\kappa_{1ij}^*(x) + \kappa_{2ij}^*(x)$  is symmetric and positive definite. We will also show that the initial condition for  $u_0$  is

$$u_0(0,x) = \frac{\langle C_{11} \rangle g_1(x) + \langle C_{22} \rangle g_2(x)}{\langle C_{11} \rangle + \langle C_{22} \rangle}$$
(2.7)

where  $\langle C_{ii} \rangle = \int_Y C_{ii}(y) dy$  for i = 1, 2. Equation (2.5) together with initial condition (2.7) has a unique solution (see, e.g., [28]).

## 2.1.2 Uniqueness of solution to the cell problem

We write the system (2.4) in the variational form as

$$\begin{split} \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x,y) \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy &- \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (N_{2}^{i} - N_{1}^{i}) \phi_{1}(y) dy \\ &= -\int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x,y) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy \\ \int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x,y) \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy - \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (N_{1}^{i} - N_{2}^{i}) \phi_{2}(y) dy \\ &= -\int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x,y) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy \end{split}$$
(2.8)

where  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in H^1_{\#}(Y)$ . Let W be the space  $H^1_{\#}(Y) \times H^1_{\#}(Y)/(c,c), c \in \mathbb{R}$ . The space W is equipped with the norm

$$|||(\phi_1,\phi_2)||| = \|\nabla_y \phi_1\|_{L^2(Y)} + \|\nabla_y \phi_2\|_{L^2(Y)} + \|\phi_1 - \phi_2\|_{L^2(Y)}.$$

For  $x \in \Omega$ , we define the bilinear form  $B(x; \cdot, \cdot) : W \times W \to \mathbb{R}$  as

$$B(x; (\phi_1, \phi_2), (\psi_1, \psi_2)) = \int_Y \kappa_1(x, y) \nabla_y \phi_1(y) \cdot \nabla_y \psi_1(y) dy + \int_Y \kappa_2(x, y) \nabla_y \phi_2(y) \cdot \nabla_y \psi_2(y) dy + \int_Y Q(x, y) (\phi_1(x, y) - \phi_2(x, y)) (\psi_1(x, y) - \psi_2(x, y)) dy$$

for  $(\phi_1, \phi_2) \in W$  and  $(\psi_1, \psi_2) \in W$ . From (2.1), we deduce that the bilinear form B is uniformly coercive and bounded with respect to  $x \in \Omega$ , i.e. there are constants  $c_1 > 0$  and  $c_2 > 0$  such that

$$B(x; (\phi_1, \phi_2), (\phi_1, \phi_2)) \ge c_1 |||(\phi_1, \phi_2)|||^2,$$
  

$$B(x; (\phi_1, \phi_2), (\psi_1, \psi_2)) \le c_2 |||(\phi_1, \phi_2)||| \cdot |||(\psi_1, \psi_2)|||,$$
(2.9)

for all  $(\phi_1, \phi_2) \in W$  and  $(\psi_1, \psi_2) \in W$ . Adding the two equations in (2.8), we obtain

$$B(x; (N_1^i, N_2^i), (\phi_1, \phi_2)) = -\int_Y \kappa_1(x, y) e^i \cdot \nabla_y \phi_1(y) dy - \int_Y \kappa_2(x, y) e^i \cdot \nabla_y \phi_2(y) dy.$$

**Theorem 2.1.1.** Problem (2.8) has a unique solution  $(N_1^i, N_2^i) \in W$ .

*Proof.* The conclusion follows from the boundedness and coerciveness of the bilinear form B and the Lax-Milgram lemma.

### 2.2 Hierarchical finite element algorithm

Computing effective coefficients  $\kappa_i^*(x)$  requires the solutions of the cell problems (2.4) at many macroscopic points which can be very expensive. We develop in this section the hierarchical FE method which computes the solution of the cell problems at a dense network of macroscopic points using only an essentially optimal number of degrees of freedom which is equal to that for solving one cell problem (apart from a multiplying logarithmic factor). We assume that the coefficients are sufficiently smooth with respect to the macroscopic variable x. We make the following assumption.

**Assumption 2.2.1.** There is a constant C > 0 such that for all  $x, x' \in \Omega$ ,

$$\|\kappa_1(x,\cdot) - \kappa_1(x',\cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Y)} \le C|x-x'|, \ \|\kappa_2(x,\cdot) - \kappa_2(x',\cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Y)} \le C|x-x'|,$$
  
and  $\|Q(x,\cdot) - Q(x',\cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Y)} \le C|x-x'|.$ 

*Remark.* The main necessary condition for our proposed method to work is that the two scale coefficients possess Lipschitz (or Holder) smoothness with respect to the macro-scopic variable. However, this assumption is reasonable as the macroscopic properties of the media normally vary smoothly.

### 2.2.1 Overview of hierarchical algorithm

We develop an efficient hierarchical finite element algorithm to solve the coupled cell problem (2.4) numerically and to approximate the effective properties  $\kappa_i^*(x)$  in (2.6) for a dense network of macroscopic points  $x \in \Omega$ . We follow the algorithm introduced in [26].

We outline the algorithm as follows.

Step 1 : Build nested finite element spaces. We employ Galerkin FE to obtain an approximation of the solution  $(N_1^i, N_2^i) \in W$  of (2.4) for each macroscopic point  $x \in \Omega$ using FE spaces of different levels of resolution. We assume that there exists a hierarchy of FE spaces  $\mathcal{V}_0 \subset \mathcal{V}_1 \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{V}_L \subset H^1_{\#}(Y)$  where the integer index L denotes the resolution level. We assume further the following approximation properties: for  $w \in$  $H^2_{\#}(Y)$ ,

$$\inf_{\phi \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}} \|\nabla_y (w - \phi)\|_{L^2(Y)} + 2^{L-l} \|w - \phi\|_{L^2(Y)} \le C 2^{-L+l} \|w\|_{H^2(Y)},$$
(2.10)

where the constant C is independent of L and l.

Step 2 : Build a hierarchy of macrogrids. We solve the cell equations at different macroscopic points  $x \in \Omega$  with different levels of accuracy. We use the solutions solved with a higher accuracy level to correct the solutions obtained with a lower accuracy level. We achieve this by solving the cell problems at different macroscopic points using different FE spaces in the hierarchy in Step 1. This can be done by constructing a hierarchy of macro-grid points. We construct a nested macro-grid,  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subset \mathcal{T}_1 \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{T}_L \subset \Omega$  as follows. First, we build an initial grid  $\mathcal{T}_0$  with a proper grid spacing H, the maximal distance between neighboring nodes. We then inductively construct  $\mathcal{T}_l$ , a refinement of  $\mathcal{T}_{l-1}$ , with grid spacing  $H2^{-l}$ . Then, we define the hierarchy of macro-grids,  $\{S_0, S_1, \cdots, S_L\}$ as  $S_0 = \mathcal{T}_0, S_1 = \mathcal{T}_1 \backslash S_0$ , and for each l > 1, we have

$$S_l = \mathcal{T}_l \Big\backslash \left( \bigcup_{k < l} S_k \right).$$

We call the nodes in the lowest level grid  $S_0$  the anchor points. In this way, we obtain a dense hierarchy of the macro-grids. That is, each point  $x \in S_l$  has at least one point from one of the previous levels,  $x' \in \bigcup_{k < l} S_k$  such that  $dist(x, x') < O(H2^{-l})$ . Figures 2.1 and 2.2 show an example of 3-level hierarchy of macrogrids  $\mathcal{T}_l$ ,  $S_l$ , l = 1, 2, 3, constructed in  $\Omega = [0, 1]^2$ .

Step 3 : Calculating the correction term. We relate the nested FE spaces and the hierarchy of macrogrids for our algorithm. We first solve the cell problems at anchor points using the standard Galerkin FE with FE space  $\mathcal{V}_L$ . That is, for the points in the coarsest macro-grid  $S_0$ , we solve the cell problems with the finest mesh. More precisely, we find  $\bar{N}_1^i(x, \cdot), \bar{N}_2^i(x, \cdot) \in \mathcal{V}_L$ , such that

$$B(x; (\bar{N}_{1}^{i}, \bar{N}_{2}^{i}), (\phi_{1}, \phi_{2})) = -\int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x, y)e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y}\phi_{1}(y)dy - \int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x, y)e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y}\phi_{2}(y)dy$$



Figure 2.2: 3-level hierarchy of macrogrids

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_L$ . Proceeding inductively, for  $x \in S_l$   $(l = 1, \dots, L)$ , we choose the points  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \in (\bigcup_{l' < l} S_{l'})$  so that the distance between x and each point in  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  is  $O(H2^{-l})$ . This is possible from the assumption for the hierarchy of macroscopic points above. We define the *l*-th macro-grid interpolation by

$$I_l^x(N_k^i) = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j N_k^i(x_j, \cdot),$$

where the coefficients  $c_j$  satisfy  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j = 1$  (k = 1, 2). We refer to the *l*-th macro-grid interpolation of Galerkin approximations as  $I_l^x(\bar{N}_k^i) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j \bar{N}_k^i(x_j, \cdot)$ . We solve the

following problem: Find  $\bar{N_1^i}^c(x, \cdot), \bar{N_2^i}^c(x, \cdot) \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  such as

$$B(x; (\bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}, \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}), (\phi_{1}, \phi_{2}))$$

$$= -\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} \int_{Y} (\kappa_{1}(x, y) - \kappa_{1}(x_{j}, y)) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x_{j}, y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy$$

$$-\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} \int_{Y} (\kappa_{1}(x, y) - \kappa_{1}(x_{j}, y)) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy$$

$$-\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} \int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x, y) - \kappa_{2}(x_{j}, y)) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x_{j}, y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy$$

$$-\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} \int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x, y) - \kappa_{2}(x_{j}, y)) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy$$

$$+\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} \int_{Y} (Q(x_{j}, y) - Q(x, y)) (\bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x_{j}, y) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x_{j}, y)) (\phi_{1}(y) - \phi_{2}(y)) dy,$$
(2.11)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$ . Note that right-hand side data is all known since we have already computed  $\{\overline{N}_k^i(x_j, \cdot)\}_{j=1}^n$  inductively using finer mesh spaces at macro-grid points in  $(\bigcup_{l' < l} S_{l'})$ . We let

$$\bar{N}_{k}^{i}(x,\cdot) = \bar{N}_{k}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) + I_{l}^{x}(\bar{N}_{k}^{i}), \qquad (2.12)$$

be the FE approximation for  $N_k^i(x, \cdot)$  where k = 1, 2. A main goal of this chapter is to prove that the approximation (2.12) for  $N_k^i(x, \cdot)$  has the same order of accuracy compared to the approximation we obtain by solving (2.8) using the finest FE space  $\mathcal{V}_L$  at all macroscopic points. We also prove that we reduce the computation cost with the approximation (2.12) to the optimal level.

*Remark.* In the following, for simplicity, we use a simple 1-point interpolation to compute the correction term  $(\bar{N}_1^{i^c}, \bar{N}_2^{i^c})$ . More precisely, for  $x \in S_l$  we choose  $x' \in (\bigcup_{l' < l} S_{l'})$ 

such that  $\operatorname{dist}(x, x') < O(H2^{-l})$ . We let

$$I_l^x(\bar{N}_k^i) = \bar{N}_k^i(x', \cdot), \ k = 1, 2$$

be the macro-grid interpolation. The FE approximation is

$$\bar{N}_k^i(x,\cdot) = \bar{N}_k^{i^c}(x,\cdot) + \bar{N}_k^i(x',\cdot), \ k = 1, 2.$$

*Remark.* Note that as the level *l* goes higher, we use coarser FE spaces for the corresponding finer macro grids. This balance guarantees that although we use coarser FE spaces, the FE error is still optimal, but with much less computation cost.

### 2.2.2 Error estimates

We require that the coefficients  $\kappa_i$  and Q satisfy Assumption 2.2.1 and (2.1). We prove that the hierarchical method achieves the same order of accuracy as the full solve. For simplicity, we consider 1-point interpolation for our proof; the proof for the general case is similar.

**Lemma 2.2.1.** There exists a positive number C such that  $|||(N_1^i(x, \cdot), N_2^i(x, \cdot))||| \leq C$ for all  $x \in \Omega$ .

*Proof.* From (2.8), we obtain

$$B(x; (N_1^i(x, \cdot), N_2^i(x, \cdot)), (N_1^i(x, \cdot), N_2^i(x, \cdot))) = -\int_Y \kappa_1(x, y)e^i \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i(x, y)dy - \int_Y \kappa_2(x, y)e^i \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i(x, y)dy$$

Using the uniform coercivity of the bilinear form  $B(x; \cdot, \cdot)$  with respect to x, we get

$$C|||(N_1^i(x,\cdot),N_2^i(x,\cdot))||| \le (||\nabla_y N_1^i(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} + ||\nabla_y N_2^i(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)})$$

for C > 0. From this we get the conclusion.

Let 
$$N_k^{i^c}(x,\cdot) = N_k^i(x,\cdot) - N_k^i(x',\cdot)$$
. We have that  $(N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot), N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot)) \in W$  satisfies

$$B(x; (N_1^{i^c}, N_2^{i^c}), (\phi_1, \phi_2)) = -\int_Y (\kappa_1(x, y) - \kappa_1(x', y)) \nabla_y N_1^i(x', y) \cdot \nabla_y \phi_1(y) dy$$
(2.13)

$$-\int_{Y} (\kappa_{1}(x,y) - \kappa_{1}(x',y))e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y}\phi_{1}(y)dy$$
  

$$-\int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x,y) - \kappa_{2}(x',y))\nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x',y) \cdot \nabla_{y}\phi_{2}(y)dy$$
  

$$-\int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x,y) - \kappa_{2}(x',y))e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y}\phi_{2}(y)dy$$
  

$$+\int_{Y} (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y))(N_{1}^{i}(x',y) - N_{2}^{i}(x',y))(\phi_{1}(y) - \phi_{2}(y))dy \quad (2.15)$$

 $\forall (\phi_1, \phi_2) \in W.$ 

**Proposition 2.2.2.** *There exists* C > 0 *such that* 

$$|||(N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot), N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot))||| \le C|x-x'|$$
(2.16)

for  $x \in \mathcal{T}_L$ .

*Proof.* From (2.15), for  $(\phi_1, \phi_2) = (N_1^{ic}(x, \cdot), N_2^{ic}(x, \cdot)) \in W$  we have

$$\begin{split} B(x;(N_1^{i^c},N_2^{i^c}),(N_1^{i^c},N_2^{i^c})) \\ &= -\int_Y (\kappa_1(x,y) - \kappa_1(x',y)) \nabla_y N_1^i(x',y) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^{i^c}(x,y) dy \\ &- \int_Y (\kappa_1(x,y) - \kappa_1(x',y)e^i \cdot \nabla_y N_1^{i^c}(x,y) dy \\ &- \int_Y (\kappa_2(x,y) - \kappa_2(x',y)) \nabla_y N_2^i(x',y) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^{i^c}(x,y) dy \\ &- \int_Y (\kappa_2(x,y) - \kappa_2(x',y))e^i \cdot \nabla_y N_2^{i^c}(x,y) dy \\ &+ \int_Y (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y)) (N_1^i(x',y) - N_2^i(x',y)) (N_1^{i^c}(x,y) - N_2^{i^c}(x,y)) dy. \end{split}$$

As  $\nabla_y N_1^i(x', \cdot)$  and  $\nabla_y N_2^i(x', \cdot)$  are uniformly bounded in  $L^2(Y)$  with respect to  $x \in \Omega$  by Lemma 2.2.1. From Assumption 2.2.1we have

$$\begin{aligned} &|||(N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot),N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot))|||^2 \\ &\leq C|x-x'|(||\nabla_y N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} + ||\nabla_y N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} + ||N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot) - N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$|||(N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot), N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot))||| \le C|x-x'|$$
(2.17)

where the constant C is independent of x.

**Lemma 2.2.3.** *There is a positive constant C such that* 

$$||\Delta_y N_1^i(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} + ||\Delta_y N_2^i(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} \le C$$
(2.18)

for all  $x \in \Omega$ .

*Proof.* We rewrite cell problem (2.4) as

$$\kappa_1 \Delta_y N_1^i + \nabla_y \kappa_1 \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i + \operatorname{div}_y(\kappa_1 e^i) + Q(x, y)(N_2^i - N_1^i) = 0$$
  
$$\kappa_2 \Delta_y N_2^i + \nabla_y \kappa_2 \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i + \operatorname{div}_y(\kappa_2 e^i) + Q(x, y)(N_1^i - N_2^i) = 0.$$

Rearranging these equations, we have,

$$\Delta_y N_1^i = -\frac{1}{\kappa_1} (\nabla_y \kappa_1 \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i + \operatorname{div}_y (\kappa_1 e^i) + Q(x, y) (N_2^i - N_1^i))$$
  
$$\Delta_y N_2^i = -\frac{1}{\kappa_2} (\nabla_y \kappa_2 \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i + \operatorname{div}_y (\kappa_2 e^i) + Q(x, y) (N_1^i - N_2^i)).$$

By the uniform boundedness of  $|||(N_1^i(x, \cdot), N_2^i(x, \cdot))|||$  with respect to x and Lemma 2.2.1, we deduce that  $||\Delta_y N_1^i(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)}$  and  $||\Delta_y N_2^i(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)}$  are uniformly bounded for all  $x \in \Omega$ .

Lemma 2.2.4. There exists a positive constant C such that

$$||\Delta_y N_1^{i^c}(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} \le C|x - x'|, \ ||\Delta_y N_2^{i^c}(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} < C|x - x'|$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{T}_L$ .

*Proof.* From (2.15), we have

$$\kappa_{1}(x,y)\Delta_{y}N_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y) + \nabla_{y}\kappa_{1}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y) = -Q(x,y)(N_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,y) - N_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y))$$
$$- \nabla_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y) - \kappa_{1}(x',y)) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x',y) - (\kappa_{1}(x,y) - \kappa_{1}(x',y))\Delta_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x',y)$$
$$- \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y) - \kappa_{1}(x',y)e^{i}) + (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y))(N_{2}^{i}(x',y) - N_{1}^{i}(x',y)),$$

$$\kappa_{2}(x,y)\Delta_{y}N_{2}^{ic}(x,y) + \nabla_{y}\kappa_{2}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{ic}(x,y) = -Q(x,y)(N_{1}^{ic}(x,y) - N_{2}^{ic}(x,y))$$
$$- \nabla_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,y) - \kappa_{2}(x',y)) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x',y) - (\kappa_{2}(x,y) - \kappa_{2}(x',y))\Delta_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x',y)$$
$$- \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,y) - \kappa_{2}(x',y)e^{i}) + (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y))(N_{1}^{i}(x',y) - N_{2}^{i}(x',y)).$$

Therefore,

$$\Delta_y N_1^{i^c}(x,y) = \frac{1}{\kappa_1} \{ -\nabla_y \kappa_1(x,y) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^{i^c}(x,y) - Q(x,y) (N_2^{i^c}(x,y) - N_1^{i^c}(x,y)) \\ - \nabla_y (\kappa_1(x,y) - \kappa_1(x',y)) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i(x',y) - (\kappa_1(x,y) - \kappa_1(x',y)) \Delta_y N_1^i(x',y) \\ - \operatorname{div}_y (\kappa_1(x,y) - \kappa_1(x',y)e^i) + (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y)) (N_2^i(x',y) - N_1^i(x',y)) \},$$

$$\Delta_y N_2^{ic}(x,y) = \frac{1}{\kappa_2} \{ -\nabla_y \kappa_2(x,y) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^{ic}(x,y) - Q(x,y) (N_1^{ic}(x,y) - N_2^{ic}(x,y)) \\ - \nabla_y (\kappa_2(x,y) - \kappa_2(x',y)) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^{i}(x',y) - (\kappa_2(x,y) - \kappa_2(x',y)) \Delta_y N_2^{i}(x',y) \\ - \operatorname{div}_y (\kappa_2(x,y) - \kappa_2(x',y)e^i) + (Q(x',y) - Q(x,y)) (N_1^{i}(x',y) - N_2^{i}(x',y)) \}.$$

From Lemma 2.2.1 and Proposition 2.2.2, we have

$$||\Delta_y N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)}, ||\Delta_y N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} \le C|x-x'|.$$

for some constant C > 0.

We choose  $(N_1^{i^c},N_2^{i^c}) \in W$  such that

$$\int_{Y} (N_1^{i^c} + N_2^{i^c}) dy = 0.$$

We then have

**Lemma 2.2.5.** There is a positive constant C such that  $||N_1^{i^c}(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$  and  $||N_2^{i^c}(x, \cdot)||_{L^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{T}_L$ .

*Proof.* We note that

$$2(||N_1^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2 + ||N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2) = ||N_1^{i^c} + N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2 + ||N_1^{i^c} - N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2.$$
(2.19)

Since  $\int_Y (N_1^{i^c} + N_2^{i^c}) dy = 0$ , by Poincare inequality, and (2.17), the following inequalities hold.

$$\begin{split} ||N_1^{i^c} + N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)} &\leq C ||\nabla_y (N_1^{i^c} + N_2^{i^c})||_{L^2(Y)} \leq C (||\nabla_y N_1^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)} + ||\nabla_y N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}) \\ &\leq C |x - x'| \end{split}$$

And then by (2.19),

$$2(||N_1^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2 + ||N_2^{i^c}||_{L^2(Y)}^2) \le C|x - x'|^2.$$

**Proposition 2.2.6.** There is a constant C > 0 such that  $||N_1^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$  and  $||N_2^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{T}_L$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a domain such that  $Y \subset \omega$ . Let  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}_0^{\infty}(\omega)$  be such that  $\phi = 1$  in Y. We have

$$\Delta_y(\phi N_1^{i^c}) = \Delta_y \phi N_1^{i^c} + 2\nabla \phi \cdot \nabla N_1^{i^c} + \phi \Delta_y N_1^{i^c}.$$

Since  $\phi N_1^{ic} = 0$  on  $\partial \omega$ , applying elliptic regularity, we have

$$||N_1^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} \le ||\phi N_1^{i^c}||_{H^2(\omega)} \le ||\Delta_y \phi N_1^{i^c} + 2\nabla_y \phi \cdot \nabla_y N_1^{i^c} + \phi \Delta_y N_1^{i^c}||_{L^2(\omega)}.$$
 (2.20)

By Proposition 2.2.2, Lemmas 2.2.4 and 2.2.5, and the Y-periodicity of  $N_1^{ic}$ ,

$$||N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(\omega)} \le C|x-x'|, ||\nabla_y N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(\omega)} \le C|x-x'|, ||\Delta_y N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot)||_{L^2(\omega)} \le C|x-x'|$$
  
$$\le C|x-x'|$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{T}_L$ . Then from (2.20),  $||N_1^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$ . Similarly,  $||N_2^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} \leq C|x - x'|$  for C > 0.

We consider the problem: Find  $\overline{\bar{N}}_1^{i^c}(x,y) \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  and  $\overline{\bar{N}}_2^{i^c}(x,y) \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  such that

$$\begin{split} B(x; (\bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}, \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}), (\phi_{1}, \phi_{2})) \\ &= -\int_{Y} (\kappa_{1}(x, y) - \kappa_{1}(x', y)) \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x', y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy \\ &- \int_{Y} (\kappa_{1}(x, y) - \kappa_{1}(x', y)) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy \\ &- \int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x, y) - \kappa_{2}(x', y)) \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(x', y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy \\ &- \int_{Y} (\kappa_{2}(x, y) - \kappa_{2}(x', y)) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy \\ &+ \int_{Y} (Q(x', y) - Q(x, y)) (N_{1}^{i}(x', y) - N_{2}^{i}(x', y)) (\phi_{1}(y) - \phi_{2}(y)) dy, \end{split}$$
(2.23)

for all  $\phi_1 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  and  $\phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$ . This is the FE approximation of (2.15). We then have the following result.

**Lemma 2.2.7.** There is a positive constant  $C^0$  such that

$$|||(N_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot) - \bar{\bar{N}}_1^{i^c}(x,\cdot), N_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot) - \bar{\bar{N}}_2^{i^c}(x,\cdot))||| \le C^0 2^{-L}.$$

Proof. It follows from Cea's Lemma, Proposition 2.2.6 and (2.10) that

$$|||(N_1^{i^c} - \bar{N}_1^{i^c}, N_2^{i^c} - \bar{N}_2^{i^c})||| \le C2^{-(L-l)}(||N_1^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)} + ||N_2^{i^c}||_{H^2(Y)})$$
$$\le C2^{-(L-l)}|x - x'| \le C^02^{-L}.$$

**Proposition 2.2.8.** There is a constant  $c_l > 0$  which only depends on the level  $S_l$  of  $x \in T_L$  such that

$$|||(\bar{N}_1^i(x,\cdot) - N_1^i(x,\cdot), \bar{N}_2^i(x,\cdot) - N_2^i(x,\cdot))||| \le c_l 2^{-L}.$$

*Proof.* We will prove the proposition by induction. The conclusion holds for l = 0. We assume that for all  $x' \in S_{l'}$  where  $l' \leq l - 1$ .

$$|||(\bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x',\cdot) - N_{1}^{i}(x',\cdot), \bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x',\cdot) - N_{2}^{i}(x',\cdot))||| \le c_{l-1}2^{-L}.$$
(2.24)

From (2.11) and (2.23), we have

$$\begin{split} B(x;(\bar{N_1^{i}}^c(x,\cdot)-\bar{\bar{N}_1^{i}}^c(x,\cdot),\bar{N_2^{i}}^c(x,\cdot)-\bar{\bar{N}_2^{i}}^c(x,\cdot)),(\phi_1,\phi_2)) \\ &= -\int_Y (\kappa_1(x,y)-\kappa_1(x',y))\nabla_y(\bar{N_1^{i}}(x',y)-N_1^i(x',y))\cdot\nabla_y\phi_1(y)dy \\ &-\int_Y (\kappa_2(x,y)-\kappa_2(x',y))\nabla_y(\bar{N_2^{i}}(x',y)-N_2^i(x',y))\cdot\nabla_y\phi_2(y)dy \\ &+\int_Y (Q(x',y)-Q(x,y))((\bar{N_1^{i}}(x',y)-\bar{N_2^{i}}(x',y))-(N_1^{i}(x',y)-N_2^i(x',y))) \\ \cdot(\phi_1(y)-\phi_2(y))dy \end{split}$$

for all  $\phi_1 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  and  $\phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$ . From Assumption 2.2.1 and the induction hypothesis,

we have

$$|||(\bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{\bar{N}}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot), \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{\bar{N}}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot))||| \leq \gamma c_{l-1} 2^{-L-l}.$$
(2.25)

where  $\gamma > 0$  is independent of x and l. By Lemma 2.2.7 and (2.25),

$$|||(N_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot), N_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot))|||$$

$$\leq |||(N_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot), N_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot))|||$$

$$+ |||(\bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot), \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,\cdot))|||$$

$$\leq C^{0}2^{-L} + \gamma c_{l-1}2^{-L-l}.$$
(2.26)

Using  $\bar{N}^i_k(x,y) = \bar{N}^{i^c}_k(x,y) + \bar{N}^i_k(x',y)$ , We have

$$|||(N_1^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_1^i(x,\cdot), N_2^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_2^i(x,\cdot))||| \le c_l 2^{-L},$$

where

$$c_l = \gamma c_{l-1} 2^{-l} + c_{l-1} + C^0.$$
(2.27)

**Theorem 2.2.9.** Under Assumption 2.2.1 and the uniform boundedness of  $\kappa_i(x, y)$  and Q(x, y), there is a positive constant  $C_*$  which depends only on the functions  $\kappa_1$ ,  $\kappa_2$  and Q so that,

$$|||(N_1^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_1^i(x,\cdot), N_2^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_2^i(x,\cdot))||| \le C_* l 2^{-L}$$
(2.28)

for  $x \in S_l$ .

*Proof.* We let  $\bar{l}$  be an integer independent of L such that  $l2^{-l} < \frac{1}{2\gamma}$  for  $l > \bar{l}$ . And let

$$C_* = \max\left\{\max_{0 \le l \le \overline{l}} \left\{\frac{c_l}{l}\right\}, 2C^0\right\},\tag{2.29}$$

where  $C^0$  and  $c_l$  are the constants in Lemma 2.2.7 and Proposition 2.2.8. Now we prove

$$|||(N_1^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_1^i(x,\cdot), N_2^i(x,\cdot) - \bar{N}_2^i(x,\cdot))||| \le C_* l 2^{-L}$$
(2.30)

by induction. From (2.29), this holds for all  $l \leq \overline{l}$ . Suppose that (2.30) holds for all  $l' \leq l$ . Then from (2.27), we obtain

$$c_l \le ((l-1)C_* + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\gamma C_* + \frac{C_*}{2}) = C_*l.$$
 (2.31)

**Theorem 2.2.10.** The total number of degrees of freedom required to solve (2.8) for all points in  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_L$  is  $\mathcal{O}((L+1)2^{dL})$  for the hierarchical solve while it is  $\mathcal{O}((2^{dL})^2)$  in the full solve where cell problems are solved with the finest mesh level at all macrogrid points.

*Proof.* Since the number of macroscopic points in  $S_l$  is  $\mathcal{O}(2^{dl})$ , and the space  $\mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  is of dimension  $\mathcal{O}(2^{d(L-l)})$ , the total number of degrees of freedom for solving (2.8) for all points in  $S_l$  is  $\mathcal{O}(2^{dl})\mathcal{O}(2^{d(L-l)}) = \mathcal{O}(2^{dL})$ . Therefore, the total number of degrees of freedom required to solve (2.8) for all points in  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_L$  is  $\mathcal{O}((L+1)2^{dL})$ .

### 2.3 Numerical example

In this section, we apply the hierarchical finite element algorithm to a numerical example for computing the effective coefficients of a multiscale multi-continuum system at a dense network of macrogrid points. To show the accuracy of the algorithm, we compare the results to the approximations to the effective coefficients obtained from solving the cell problems using the finest meshes at all macroscopic points.

### 2.3.1 Numerical Implementation

We let  $\Omega = [0,1]^2$  be the macroscopic domain and  $Y = [0,1]^2$  be the unit cell. We consider the locally periodic coefficients

$$\kappa_1(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (2 - ax_1)\cos(2\pi y_1)\sin(2\pi y_2) + 3$$
  

$$\kappa_2(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (2 - ax_1)\sin(2\pi y_1)\cos(2\pi y_2) + 3$$
  

$$Q(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (1 + ax_1)\sin(2\pi y_1)\sin(2\pi y_2) + 3$$

where the constant a is chosen below. We use 4 square meshes in  $[0, 1]^2$  to construct a nested sequence of FE spaces,  $\{\mathcal{V}_{3-l}\}_{l=0}^3$  so that the mesh size of each space is  $h_l = 2^l \cdot 2^{-4}$  for l = 0, 1, 2, 3. Since  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  and Q are independent of  $x_2$ , we only consider 1-dimensional macrogrids in [0, 1]. The nested macrogrids  $\{\mathcal{T}_l\}_{l=0}^L \subset [0, 1]$  and the subsequent macrogrid hierarchy,  $\{S_l\}_{l=0}^3$  are constructed as follows. We first let  $\mathcal{T}_0 = S_0 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$ . Considering that our macrogrids have grid spacing  $H2^{-l}$  for l = 0, 1, 2, 3, where  $H = \frac{1}{2}$  in this case, we have following hierarchy of macrogrids.

$$S_0 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}, \ S_1 = \{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\}, \ S_2 = \{\frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{8}, \frac{7}{8}\}, \ S_3 = \{\frac{1}{16}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{5}{16}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{9}{16}, \frac{11}{16}, \frac{13}{16}, \frac{15}{16}\}$$

Figure 2.3 indicates how these macrogrids and the approximation spaces are related in numerical implementation.

We implement the algorithm as follows. For  $x' \in S_0 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$ , we solve (2.8) for  $\bar{N}_1^i(x', \cdot), \bar{N}_2^i(x', \cdot) \in \mathcal{V}_3$ , for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_3$  by the standard Galerkin FEM. We then use a simple 1-point interpolation to compute the correction terms. That is, for  $x \in S_l$  we


Figure 2.3: The hierarchy of one dimensional macrogrids and corresponding mesh size of FE spaces for 1-pt interpolation method. The lines indicates correction relations. The squares indicate the points at which the solutions are corrected with the lower level solutions and used once more to correct upper level solutions.

choose  $x' \in (\bigcup_{k < l} S_k)$  such that  $|x' - x| \le 2^{-l}$ . We let the *l*th macrogrid interpolation be

$$I_l^x(\bar{N}_k^i) = \bar{N}_k^i(x', \cdot), \ (k = 1, 2).$$

We find  $\bar{N_1^{i}}^c(x,y)$  and  $\bar{N_2^{i}}^c(x,y)$  in  $\mathcal{V}_{L-l}$  such that

$$\int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x,y) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy - \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (\bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,y) - \bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y)) \phi_{1}(y) dy \\
= -\int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x,y) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x',y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy - \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x,y) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{1}(y) dy \\
+ \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (\bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x',y) - \bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x',y)) \phi_{1}(y) dy,$$
(2.32)

and

$$\begin{split} &\int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x,y) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy - \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (\bar{N}_{1}^{i^{c}}(x,y) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i^{c}}(x,y)) \phi_{2}(y) dy \\ &= -\int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x,y) \nabla_{y} \bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x',y) \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy - \int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x,y) e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} \phi_{2}(y) dy \\ &+ \int_{Y} Q(x,y) (\bar{N}_{1}^{i}(x',y) - \bar{N}_{2}^{i}(x',y)) \phi_{2}(y) dy, \end{split}$$
(2.33)

for  $\forall \phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{V}_{L-l}$ . We let

$$\bar{N}_{k}^{i}(x,\cdot) = \bar{N}_{k}^{i}(x',\cdot) + \bar{N}_{k}^{i}{}^{c}(x,\cdot), \ (k=1,2)$$

be the approximation to  $N_k^i(x, \cdot)$ . We continue inductively. For example, for  $x = \frac{1}{2} \in S_0$ , we compute  $\bar{N}_1^i(\frac{1}{2}, \cdot)$ ,  $\bar{N}_2^i(\frac{1}{2}, \cdot)$  using the standard Galerkin FEM. Then for  $\frac{3}{8} \in S_1$ , we find the correction terms  $\bar{N}_1^{i^c}(\frac{3}{8}, \cdot)$ ,  $\bar{N}_2^{i^c}(\frac{3}{8}, \cdot) \in \mathcal{V}_{L-1}$  that satisfy (2.32) and (2.33), where  $x' = \frac{1}{2}$ . And we let the solutions at  $x = \frac{3}{8}$  be

$$\bar{N}_k^i(\frac{3}{8}, y) = \bar{N}_k^i(\frac{1}{2}, y) + \bar{N}_k^{i^c}(\frac{3}{8}, y), \ (k = 1, 2).$$

We continue this procedure based on Figure 2.3.

Tables 3.1 and 2.2 indicate  $\kappa_{111}^*$  and  $\kappa_{211}^*$  obtained by both the hierarchical solve and the full solve where the finest mesh is used for all cell problems, at each  $x_1$  and the relative errors between them, where relative errors are calculated by  $\frac{100|\kappa_{full}^* - \kappa_{hier}^*|}{\kappa_{full}^*}$  with obvious notations for a = 1 and a = 0.1 respectively. The results show clearly that the effective coefficients obtained from the hierarchical algorithm are very closed to the reference effective coefficients. We can see from the tables that relatively large errors occur at the highest level macroscopic points where more than one layer of corrections is performed, i.e. the corrector itself is corrected by the solution at a macroscopic point belonging to a lower level. We note that the error for the case a = 0.1 is much smaller as the change of  $\kappa_i$ in x is much smaller. That is, large Lipschitz constants in Assumption 2.2.1 tend to result in large errors. The results in Tables 3.1 and 2.2 are obtained when only one corrector point is employed. If we use more corrector points, the error can be reduced significantly. In Table 2.3 we show the relative errors, in comparison to the coefficients obtained from the full solve where the finest mesh is used for all the cell problems, for the effective coefficients obtained from the hierarchical solve for the two cases where one-point and two-point interpolations are used. The table shows that the result can be improved by employing two-point interpolation.

r.	$\kappa_{111}^*(x_1)$			$\kappa_{211}^*(x_1)$			
$x_1$	Full	Hierarchical	Errors (%)	Full	Hierarchical	Errors (%)	
0	2.8211	2.8211	0.0000	2.8304	2.8304	0.0000	
$\frac{1}{16}$	2.8333	2.8267	0.2312	2.8413	2.8397	0.0582	
$\frac{1}{8}$	2.8448	2.8408	0.1414	2.8518	2.8491	0.0968	
$\frac{3}{16}$	2.8559	2.8593	0.1184	2.8619	2.8624	0.0159	
$\frac{1}{4}$	2.8664	2.8641	0.0803	2.8716	2.8707	0.0322	
$\frac{5}{16}$	2.8765	2.8690	0.2605	2.8809	2.8787	0.0764	
$\frac{3}{8}$	2.8860	2.8887	0.0933	2.8898	2.8919	0.0712	
$\frac{7}{16}$	2.8952	2.8998	0.1608	2.8983	2.8995	0.0390	
$\frac{1}{2}$	2.9038	2.9038	0.0000	2.9065	2.9065	0.0000	
$\frac{9}{16}$	2.9120	2.9078	0.1450	2.9143	2.9133	0.0349	
$\frac{5}{8}$	2.9199	2.9178	0.0706	2.9217	2.9201	0.0564	
$\frac{11}{16}$	2.9273	2.9319	0.1572	2.9288	2.9303	0.0496	
$\frac{3}{4}$	2.9343	2.9351	0.0288	2.9355	2.9361	0.0180	
$\frac{13}{16}$	2.9409	2.9383	0.0857	2.9419	2.9416	0.0093	
$\frac{7}{8}$	2.9471	2.9485	0.0476	2.9479	2.9492	0.0414	
$\frac{15}{16}$	2.9530	2.9558	0.0979	2.9536	2.9543	0.0229	
1	2.9584	2.9584	0.0000	2.9598	2.9590	0.0000	

Table 2.1: a = 1, the effective coefficients  $\kappa_{111}^*(x_1)$  and  $\kappa_{211}^*(x_1)$  computed by full mesh reference and hierarchical solve along with percentage relative errors between those.

### 2.4 **Proof of homogenization convergence**

In this section, we prove rigorously the homogenization convergence, i.e. the convergence of the solution of the two-scale equation (2.2) to the solution of the homogenized equation (2.5). Throughout this section, we denote the spaces  $L^2(\Omega)$  and  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  as H and V respectively. We recall the two-scale multi-continuum system

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)) = q, \qquad (2.34)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)) = q.$$
(2.35)

<i>m</i>	$\kappa_{111}^*(x_1)$			$\kappa_{211}^*(x_1)$			
$x_1$	Full	Hierarchical	Errors (%)	Full	Hierarchical	Errors (%)	
0	2.8210	2.8211	0.0000	2.8304	2.8304	0.0000	
$\frac{1}{16}$	2.8224	2.8217	0.0241	2.8315	2.8314	0.0061	
$\frac{1}{8}$	2.8236	2.8231	0.0161	2.8326	2.8323	0.0107	
$\frac{3}{16}$	2.8248	2.8252	0.0125	2.8337	2.8338	0.0020	
$\frac{1}{4}$	2.8261	2.8257	0.0112	2.8348	2.8347	0.0040	
$\frac{5}{16}$	2.8273	2.8263	0.0347	2.8359	2.8356	0.0099	
$\frac{3}{8}$	2.8285	2.8289	0.0154	2.8370	2.8373	0.0103	
$\frac{7}{16}$	2.8297	2.8303	0.0232	2.8381	2.8383	0.0059	
$\frac{1}{2}$	2.8309	2.8309	0.0000	2.8392	2.8392	0.0000	
$\frac{9}{16}$	2.8321	2.8314	0.0230	2.8403	2.8401	0.0058	
$\frac{5}{8}$	2.8333	2.8328	0.0150	2.8413	2.8410	0.0101	
$\frac{11}{16}$	2.8345	2.8354	0.0327	2.8424	2.8427	0.0095	
$\frac{3}{4}$	2.8356	2.8359	0.0100	2.8435	2.8436	0.0037	
$\frac{13}{16}$	2.8368	2.8364	0.0125	2.8445	2.8445	0.0019	
$\frac{7}{8}$	2.8380	2.8384	0.0144	2.8456	2.8459	0.0098	
$\frac{15}{16}$	2.8391	2.8398	0.0222	2.8466	2.8468	0.0056	
1	2.8403	2.8403	0.0000	2.8477	2.8477	0.0000	

Table 2.2: a = .1, the effective coefficients  $\kappa_{111}^*(x_1)$  and  $\kappa_{211}^*(x_1)$  computed by full mesh reference and hierarchical solve along with percentage relative errors between those.

# 1-pt interpolation

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2-pt interpolation
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r.	Relative	Errors (%)	œ	Relative Errors (%)		
$x_1$	$\kappa^*_{111}$	$\kappa^*_{211}$	$x_1$	$\kappa^*_{111}$	$\kappa^*_{211}$	
$\frac{1}{16}$	0.2312	0.0582	$\frac{1}{16}$	0.0072	0.0022	
$\frac{1}{8}$	0.1414	0.0968	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.0091	0.0030	
$\frac{3}{16}$	0.1184	0.0159	$\frac{3}{16}$	0.099	0.0026	
$\frac{1}{4}$	0.0803	0.0322	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.0068	0.0013	
$\frac{5}{16}$	0.2605	0.0764	$\frac{5}{16}$	0.0080	0.0021	
$\frac{3}{8}$	0.0933	0.0712	$\frac{3}{8}$	0.0061	0.0020	
$\frac{7}{16}$	0.1608	0.0390	$\frac{7}{16}$	0.0042	0.0013	
$\frac{9}{16}$	0.1450	0.0349	$\frac{9}{16}$	0.0026	0.0008	
$\frac{5}{8}$	0.0706	0.0564	$\frac{5}{8}$	0.0031	0.0011	
$\frac{11}{16}$	0.1572	0.0496	$\frac{11}{16}$	0.0033	0.0009	
$\frac{3}{4}$	0.0288	0.0180	$\frac{3}{4}$	0.0021	0.0004	
$\frac{13}{16}$	0.0857	0.0093	$\frac{13}{16}$	0.0026	0.0007	
$\frac{7}{8}$	0.0476	0.0414	$\frac{7}{8}$	0.0020	0.0007	
$\frac{15}{16}$	0.0979	0.0229	$\frac{15}{16}$	0.0014	0.0004	

Table 2.3: Percentage relative errors between full mesh reference solve and hierarchical solve when a = 1.

We have the following theorem.

**Lemma 2.4.1.** The solution  $(u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon})$  of (2.34) and (2.35) are uniformly bounded in  $L^{\infty}(0, T; H)$ and  $L^2(0, T; V)$ .

*Proof.* Multiplying  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2 \in V$  to (2.34) and (2.35) respectively and integrating over  $\Omega$ , one has

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_1 dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon} - u_1^{\epsilon}) \phi_1 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_1 dx,$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_2 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_2 dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon} - u_2^{\epsilon}) \phi_2 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_2 dx.$$
(2.36)

Summing these equations, we get

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_1 dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon}(t) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_1 dx \\
+ \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}(t) \phi_2 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_2 dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon}(t) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_2 dx \quad (2.37) \\
= \int_{Q} q(t) \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} q(t) \phi_2 dx$$

 $\forall \phi_1, \phi_2 \in V$ . Substituting  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  into  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  in (2.37) respectively, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} u_1^{\epsilon}(t) dx + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} u_2^{\epsilon}(t) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon}(t) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t))^2 dx = \int_{\Omega} q u_1^{\epsilon}(t) + \int_{\Omega} q u_2^{\epsilon}(t) dx. \end{split}$$

Integrating this equation over  $(0, \tau)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\tau, x)|^{2} dx &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\tau, x)|^{2} dx + \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2}} \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} q u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} q u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |u_{1}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |u_{2}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.38)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\tau, x)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\tau, x)|^{2} dx \\ &+ \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} |q|^{2} dx dt + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} |u_{1}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} |q|^{2} dx dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} |u_{2}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} |\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}| |u_{1}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx + \int_{\Omega} |\mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}| |u_{2}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx. \end{split}$$

Using the uniform boundedness from below of  $C_{11}^\epsilon$  and  $C_{22}^\epsilon,$  we have

$$\begin{split} c\|u_1^\epsilon(\tau,\cdot)\|_H^2 + c\|u_2^\epsilon(\tau,\cdot)\|_H^2 + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla u_1^\epsilon dx dt + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot \nabla u_2^\epsilon dx dt \\ &\leq c_1 \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_0^T \|u_1^\epsilon(t,\cdot)\|_H^2 dt + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_0^T \|u_2^\epsilon(t,\cdot)\|_H^2 dt. \end{split}$$

Choosing  $\varepsilon$  sufficiently large, we deduce that  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  are uniformly bounded in  $L^{\infty}(0, T; H)$ and  $L^2(0, T; V)$ .

Note that because of the 5th term of equation (2.38),  $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} u_1^{\epsilon} = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} u_2^{\epsilon}$ . Thus, there exist subsequences of  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$ , which we still denote by  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$ , and  $u_0$  such that

$$u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon} \rightharpoonup u_0$$
 in  $L^2(0, T; V)$ .

Recall that  $(N_1^i,N_2^i) \in W$  is the solution of cell problem.

$$div_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y)(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,y))) + Q(x,y)(N_{2}^{i}(x,y) - N_{1}^{i}(x,y)) = 0$$
  

$$div_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,y)(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,y))) + Q(x,y)(N_{1}^{i}(x,y) - N_{2}^{i}(x,y)) = 0.$$
(2.39)

We assume that  $N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$  are sufficiently smooth with respect to both x and y. Let  $\omega_1(x) = \frac{x_i}{\epsilon} + N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})$  and  $\omega_2(x) = \frac{x_i}{\epsilon} + N_2^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})$ . We define  $\omega_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $\omega_2^{\epsilon}$  as

$$\omega_1^{\epsilon}(x) = \epsilon \omega_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ \omega_2^{\epsilon}(x) = \epsilon \omega_2(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$

Assuming that  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$  are sufficiently smooth, for all  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in V$  we have

$$\begin{split} &-\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_{1}^{\epsilon}(x))\psi_{1}(x)dx - \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2}}\int_{\Omega}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(\omega_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) - \omega_{1}^{\epsilon}(x))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_{\Omega}Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \epsilon\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}(N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &= -\epsilon\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{1}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{1}(x)dx \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} &-\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_{2}^{\epsilon}(x))\psi_{2}(x)dx - \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2}}\int_{\Omega}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(\omega_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) - \omega_{2}^{\epsilon}(x))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_{\Omega}Q(x,y)(N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) - N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \epsilon\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &= -\epsilon\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx\\ &- \int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))\psi_{2}(x)dx \end{split}$$

due to (2.39). Let  $\phi_1(x) = \phi(x)\omega_1^{\epsilon}(x)$ ,  $\phi_2(x) = \phi(x)\omega_2^{\epsilon}(x)$  where  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$  in (2.36), we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \omega_2^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \omega_1^{\epsilon}) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \omega_2^{\epsilon}) dx \\
+ \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon} - u_2^{\epsilon}) (\omega_1^{\epsilon} - \omega_2^{\epsilon}) \phi dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_2^{\epsilon} dx.$$
(2.42)

Let  $\psi_1(x)$  and  $\psi_2(x)$  in (2.40) and (2.41) be  $\phi u_1^\epsilon$  and  $\phi u_2^\epsilon$  respectively. We have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi u_{1}^{\epsilon}) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi u_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx + \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2}} Q^{\epsilon} (\omega_{1}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{2}^{\epsilon}) (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \phi dx \\ &= -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} (\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx - \epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx - \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx. \end{split}$$

$$(2.43)$$

Let  $\in C_0^{\infty}(0,T)$ . We multiply (2.42) and (2.43) by  $\psi$  and intergrate over (0,T) with respect to t. After subtracting the resulting equations by each other, we obtain

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \epsilon \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{1}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{1}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}))) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon})) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon})) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt. \end{split}$$

We have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.4.2.** The functions  $\int_0^T (t)u_1^{\epsilon}(x,t)dt$  and  $\int_0^T (t)u_2^{\epsilon}(x,t)dt$  converge strongly in H to  $\int_0^T \psi(t)u_0(x,t)dt$ .

**Proof** This is the standard result in Jikov et al. [9]. As  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  is uniformly bounded in  $L^2(0,T;V)$ ,  $\int_0^T (t)u_1^{\epsilon}(x,t)dt$  is uniformly bounded in V when  $\epsilon \to 0$ . Thus we can extract a subsequence which converges weakly in V and strongly in H. As for all  $\phi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} \int_{0}^{T} (t) u_{1}^{\epsilon}(x,t) \phi(x) dt dx \to \int_{\Omega} \int_{0}^{T} \psi(t) u_{0}(x,t) \phi(x) dt dx,$$

the limit is  $\int_0^T \psi(t) u_0(x,t) dt$ .

We have

$$\int_0^T \int_\Omega C_{11}^\epsilon \frac{\partial u_1^\epsilon}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_1^\epsilon dx dt = -\int_\Omega C_{11}^\epsilon \left( \int_0^T u_1^\epsilon \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt \right) \phi \omega_1^\epsilon dx.$$

As  $C_{11}^{\epsilon}$  converges weakly to  $\int_{Y} C_{11}(x, y) dy$  in H,  $\int_{0}^{T} u_{1}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt$  converges weakly to  $\int_{0}^{T} u_{0} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt$  in V, we have

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx dt = -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y C_{11}(x, y) dy \right) u_0 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \phi x_i dx dt$$
$$= \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y C_{11}(x, y) dy \right) \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} \psi \phi x_i dx dt.$$

We note that

$$\kappa_1^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_1^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_1(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\big((e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) + \epsilon\nabla_x N_1^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\big),$$
  
$$\kappa_2^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_2^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_2(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\big((e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) + \epsilon\nabla_x N_2^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\big).$$

Also, note that due to Y-periodicity of  $\kappa$  and  $N^i,$  we have

$$\kappa_1(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) \rightharpoonup \int_Y \kappa_1(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,y))dy$$
  
$$\kappa_2(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) \rightharpoonup \int_Y \kappa_2(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,y))dy \text{ in } H$$

We observe that  $x_i + \epsilon N_1^i \to x_i$  strongly in H and  $\int_{\Omega} q\phi \omega_k^{\epsilon} dx \to \int_{\Omega} q\phi x_i dx$  since  $\omega_k^{\epsilon} \phi \rightharpoonup \phi_k^{\epsilon} dx$ 

 $x_i \phi$  in *H*. Passing to the limit in (2.44), we obtain from Lemma 2.4.2,

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt 
- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}) dy \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_{0} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt 
+ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}) dy \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_{0} dx dt 
= 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{1} (\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i} (\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}))) \phi \psi u_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt 
+ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2} (\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i} (\cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon}))) \phi \psi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt.$$
(2.45)

Let  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  in (2.36) be  $\phi x_i$  where  $\phi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$ . Adding the two equations, we have

$$\begin{split} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \mathcal{C}_{11}^\epsilon \frac{\partial u_1^\epsilon}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_i dx dt &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \mathcal{C}_{22}^\epsilon \frac{\partial u_2^\epsilon}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_i dx dt + \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla (\phi x_i) \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot \nabla (\phi x_i) \psi dx dt = 2 \int_0^T \int_\Omega q \phi \psi x_i dx dt. \end{split}$$

Passing to the limit, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \cdot (\phi x_{i}) \psi dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi x_{i}) \psi dx dt \qquad (2.46)$$
$$= 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q(\phi x_{i}) \psi dx dt.$$

Using (2.45) and (2.46), one obtains

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 (e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_0 dx dt \\ &- \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_0 dx dt \\ &- \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \operatorname{div}_x (\kappa_1 (x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i (x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi \psi u_1^\epsilon dx dt \\ &- \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \operatorname{div}_x (\kappa_2 (x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i (x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi \psi u_2^\epsilon dx dt. \end{split}$$

Since  $\kappa_1$ ,  $\kappa_2$ ,  $N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$  are independent of t, by Lemma 2.4.2, we have

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 (e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_0 dx dt \\ &- \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_0 dx dt \\ &- \int_0^T \int_\Omega \operatorname{div} \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 (e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \phi \psi u_0 dx dt \\ &- \int_0^T \int_\Omega \operatorname{div} \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) dy \right) \phi \psi u_0 dx dt. \end{split}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \left( \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi dx \right) \psi dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \left( \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi dx \right) \psi dt \\ &= \int_0^T \left( \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 (e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_0 \phi dx \right) \psi dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \left( \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_0 \phi dx \right) \psi dt \end{split}$$

From this, we deduce

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt \right] \\
= \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot e^{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot e^{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt \right] \\
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x, y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_{1}^{i}(x, y)}{\partial y_{j}}) dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x_{j}} (x) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt \\
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(x, y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_{2}^{i}(x, y)}{\partial y_{j}}) dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x_{j}} (x) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt$$
(2.47)

For consistency with formula (2.6), we note the following result.

**Lemma 2.4.3.**  $\int_{Y} \kappa_1 \frac{\partial N_1^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2 \frac{\partial N_2^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i} dy = \int_{Y} \kappa_1 \frac{\partial N_1^i(x,y)}{\partial y_j} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2 \frac{\partial N_2^i(x,y)}{\partial y_j} dy$ 

Proof. From the cell problem, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^j dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^j dy \\ &+ \int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^j dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^j dy = 0 \\ &\int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^j + \nabla_y N_1^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^j + \nabla_y N_2^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i dy \\ &+ \int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^j + \nabla_y N_1^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^j + \nabla_y N_2^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i dy = 0 \end{split}$$

Thus,

$$\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \frac{\partial N_{1}^{j}}{\partial y_{i}} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}) \cdot \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{j} dy 
+ \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}) \cdot \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{j} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \frac{\partial N_{2}^{j}}{\partial y_{i}} dy 
= \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \frac{\partial N_{1}^{i}}{\partial y_{j}} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} (e^{j} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{j}) \cdot \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i} dy 
+ \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{j} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{j}) \cdot \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i} dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \frac{\partial N_{2}^{i}}{\partial y_{j}} dy.$$
(2.48)

Now we show

$$\int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^j dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^j dy$$
$$= \int_{Y} \kappa_2(e^j + \nabla_y N_2^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_1^i dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_1(e^j + \nabla_y N_1^j) \cdot \nabla_y N_2^i dy.$$

From the cell problem, we know that

$$\begin{split} &\int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{j}dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(e^{i} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{j}dy \\ &= \int_{Y} Q(N_{1}^{i} - N_{2}^{i})N_{1}^{j} + Q(N_{2}^{i} - N_{1}^{i})N_{2}^{j}dy \\ &= \int_{Y} Q(N_{1}^{i}N_{1}^{j} - N_{2}^{i}N_{1}^{j} + N_{2}^{i}N_{2}^{j} - N_{1}^{i}N_{2}^{j})dy \\ &= \int_{Y} Q(N_{1}^{j} - N_{2}^{j})N_{1}^{i} + Q(N_{2}^{j} - N_{1}^{j})N_{2}^{i}dy \\ &= \int_{Y} \kappa_{2}(e^{j} + \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{j}) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}dy + \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(e^{j} + \nabla_{y}N_{1}^{j}) \cdot \nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}dy. \end{split}$$
(2.49)

Thus, by (2.48) and (2.49), we have the result.

**Theorem 2.4.4.** Assume that the solution  $N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$  of cell problem (2.8) belong to  $C^2(\bar{\Omega}, C^2(\bar{Y}))$  and the coefficients  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  belong to  $C^1(\bar{\Omega}, C^1(\bar{Y}))$ . The limit function  $u_0$  of the sequences  $u_1^{\epsilon}$ ,  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  is the unique solution of the homogenized equation (2.5) with the initial condition (2.7).

*Proof.* Note that from the equation (2.34), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \mathcal{C}_{11}^\epsilon \frac{\partial u_1^\epsilon}{\partial t} \phi dx \psi dt &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla \phi dx \psi dt + \int_0^T \int_\Omega \mathcal{C}_{22}^\epsilon \frac{\partial u_2^\epsilon}{\partial t} \phi dx \psi dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot \nabla \phi dx \psi dt = 2 \int_0^T \int_\Omega q \phi dx \psi dt. \end{split}$$

for all  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}_{0}(\Omega)$  and  $\psi \in C^{\infty}_{0}((0,T))$ . Passing to the limit, from (2.47), Lemmas 2.4.2

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and 2.4.3, we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \{ (\int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy) + (\int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy) \} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \phi dx \psi dt$$
  
= 
$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{0}) \phi dx \psi dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{0}) \phi dx \psi dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} 2q \phi dx \psi dt,$$

where

$$\kappa_{1ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_1(x,y)(\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_1^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i})dy$$
  
$$\kappa_{2ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_2(x,y)(\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_2^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i})dy.$$

We now show the initial condition. Adding (2.34) and (2.35), we have

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}) - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}) = 2q.$$

As  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  are bounded in  $L^2(0,T;V)$ , we deduce that  $C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + C_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0,T;V')$ . Let  $\psi(t,x) \in C_0^{\infty}(0,T;V)$ , i.e.  $\psi(0,x) = \psi(T,x) = 0$ . We have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \right) \psi dx dt = -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2}^{\epsilon} \right) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt$$
$$\rightarrow -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) u_{0} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt.$$

This shows that the weak limit of  $C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + C_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  in  $L^2(0,T;V')$  is  $(\langle C_{11} \rangle + \langle C_{22} \rangle) \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t}$ . Now we choose  $\psi \in C^{\infty}(0,T;V)$  so that  $\psi(T,x) = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \right) \psi dx dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2}^{\epsilon} \right) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} (0, x) + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2}^{\epsilon} (0, x) \right) \psi (0, x) dx \\ &\to -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) u_{0} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle g_{1} + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle g_{2} \right) \psi (0, x) dx. \end{split}$$

On the other hand

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} + \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \right) \psi dx dt \to \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt.$$
  
$$= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) u_{0} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \left( \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle \right) u_{0}(0, x) \psi(0, x) dx.$$

This shows that  $(\langle C_{11} \rangle + \langle C_{22} \rangle) u_0(0, x) = \langle C_{11} \rangle g_1(x) + \langle C_{22} \rangle g_2(x)$ . i.e. the initial condition of  $u_0$  is

$$u_0(0,x) = \frac{\langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle g_1(x) + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle g_2(x)}{\langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{C}_{22} \rangle}$$
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# 3. HOMOGENIZATION OF A MULTISCALE MULTI-CONTINUUM SYSTEM

In this chapter, we study the homogenization of a multiscale dual-continuum system where the interaction terms are scaled as  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$ . We first derive an interesting homogenization equation using two-scale asymptotic expansion. Then we provide a rigorous proof of the homogenization convergence and convergence rate which are stated in Theorems 3.1.1 and 3.1.2.

# 3.1 Problem formulation

# **3.1.1** Two scale multicontinuum problem

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Let Y be a unit cube in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Let Q(x, y),  $C_{ii}(x, y)$ and  $\kappa_i(x, y)$  (i = 1, 2) be continuous functions on  $\Omega \times Y$  which are Y-periodic with respect to y. We assume that

$$\int_{Y} Q(x,y)dy = 0.$$
(3.1)

Let T > 0. Let q be a function in  $L^2((0,T) \times \Omega)$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be a small quantity that represents the microscopic scale the coefficients depend on. We define the two scale coefficients as

$$\mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon}(x) = \mathcal{C}_{ii}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ \kappa_i^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ i = 1, 2, \ \text{and} \ Q^{\epsilon}(x) = Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.2)

Let H denote the space  $L^2(\Omega)$  and V denote the space  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ . We consider the following dual-continuum system.

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x)\frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + q, \quad x \in \Omega, \\
\mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x)\frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) + q, \quad x \in \Omega, \\
(3.3)$$

with the Dirichlet boundary condition  $u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) = 0$  for  $x \in \partial\Omega$ , and with the initial condition  $u_1^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_1(x)$ ,  $u_2^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_2(x)$  where  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are in H. We assume there exist positive constants  $\underline{C}$ ,  $\underline{\kappa}$  such that

$$C_{ii}(x,y) \ge \underline{C}, \ \kappa_i(x,y) \ge \underline{\kappa}.$$
 (3.4)

*Remark.* Throughout this chapter, we assume  $\int_Y Q(x, y) dy = 0$ . This assumption makes the presentation clearer and more concise. However, in realistic models, we have Q(x, y) > 0. One can handle this case under following assumption:  $Q(x, y) = \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^*(x, y) + \bar{Q}(x)$ , where

$$Q^*(x,y) = Q(x,y) - \int_Y Q(x,y)dy$$
 and  $\bar{Q}(x) = \int_Y Q(x,y)dy.$  (3.5)

Obviously, now we have  $\int_Y Q^*(x, y) dy = 0$ . The term  $\overline{Q}(x)$  will contribute to the homogenized equation and  $Q^*(x, y)$  will play the role of Q(x, y) in this chapter.

In the weak form, equations (3.3) are of the form

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_1 dx - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon} - u_1^{\epsilon}) \phi_1 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_1 dx,$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_2 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_2 dx - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon} - u_2^{\epsilon}) \phi_2 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_2 dx.$$
(3.6)

for all  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  in  $C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$ . We use  $L^2(0,T;X)$ ,  $L^{\infty}(0,T;X)$  to represent the Bochner space with the norm

$$\|v\|_{L^{2}(0,T;X)} := \left(\int_{0}^{T} \|v\|_{X}^{2} dt\right)^{1/2},$$
$$\|v\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T;X)} := \sup_{0 \le t \le T} \|v\|_{X},$$

where  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  is a Banach space. Also, we define

$$H^1(0,T;X) := \left\{ v \in L^2(0,T;X) : \partial_t v \in L^2(0,T;X) \right\} \,.$$

We will prove in the appendix that system (3.3) has a unique solution  $(u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon}) \in L^2(0, T; V) \cap H^1(0, T; V') \times L^2(0, T; V) \cap H^1(0, T; V')$  which satisfies

$$||u_1^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;V)} + ||u_1^{\epsilon}||_{H^1(0,T;V')} + ||u_2^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;V)} + ||u_2^{\epsilon}||_{H^1(0,T;V')} \le C$$
(3.7)

for a constant C > 0 independent of  $\epsilon$ .

# 3.1.2 Homogenization of multi-continuum system

We study homogenization of this multi-continuum system by using the standard two scale asymptotic expansion. We consider the two scale asymptotic expansion of  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$ 

$$u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{10}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \cdots$$
  

$$u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{20}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \cdots,$$
(3.8)

where the functions  $u_{1j}(t, x, y)$  and  $u_{2j}(t, x, y)$  are Y-periodic with respect to y. From (3.3), we have

$$C_{11} \frac{\partial (u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots)}{\partial t}$$

$$= (\operatorname{div}_{x} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \operatorname{div}_{y})(\kappa_{1}(\nabla_{x} + \frac{1}{\epsilon}\nabla_{y})(u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots))$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q(u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} - u_{10} - \epsilon u_{11} + \cdots) + q,$$

$$C_{22} \frac{\partial (u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots)}{\partial t}$$

$$= (\operatorname{div}_{x} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \operatorname{div}_{y})(\kappa_{2}(\nabla_{x} + \frac{1}{\epsilon}\nabla_{y})(u_{20} + \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots))$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q(u_{10} + \epsilon u_{11} - u_{20} - \epsilon u_{21} + \cdots) + q.$$
(3.9)

Collecting the  $\epsilon^{-2}$  terms, we obtain

$$\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y)\nabla_{y}u_{10}(t,x,y)) = 0$$
  
$$\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,y)\nabla_{y}u_{20}(t,x,y)) = 0.$$
  
(3.10)

From this, we deduce  $u_{10}$  and  $u_{20}$  are independent of y. Collecting the  $\epsilon^{-1}$  terms we obtain

$$div_y(\kappa_1 \nabla u_{10}) + div_y(\kappa_1 \nabla_y u_{11}) + Q(u_{20} - u_{10}) = 0$$
  

$$div_y(\kappa_2 \nabla u_{20}) + div_y(\kappa_2 \nabla_y u_{21}) + Q(u_{10} - u_{20}) = 0.$$
(3.11)

Therefore,

$$u_{11}(t,x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} N_1^i(x,y) \frac{\partial u_{10}(t,x)}{\partial x_i} + M_1(x,y)(u_{20}(t,x) - u_{10}(t,x))$$
  

$$u_{21}(t,x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} N_2^i(x,y) \frac{\partial u_{20}(t,x)}{\partial x_i} + M_2(x,y)(u_{10}(t,x) - u_{20}(t,x)),$$
(3.12)

where  $N_1^i(x, y)$ ,  $N_2^i(x, y)$  (i = 1, ..., d),  $M_1(x, y)$  and  $M_2(x, y)$ , as functions of y are the solutions of the following cell problems respectively.

$$div_y(\kappa_1(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,y))) = 0$$
  

$$div_y(\kappa_1(x,y)\nabla_y M_1(x,y)) + Q(x,y) = 0$$
  

$$div_y(\kappa_2(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,y))) = 0$$
  

$$div_y(\kappa_2(x,y)\nabla_y M_2(x,y)) + Q(x,y) = 0$$
  
(3.13)

with the periodic boundary condition, where  $e^i$  is the *i*th standard basis vector of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Problems (3.13 (a),(c)) have a unique solution in  $H^1_{\#}(Y)/\mathbb{R}$ ; problems (3.13 (b),(d)) have a unique solution since  $\int_Y Q(x, y) dy = 0$ . Collecting the  $\epsilon^0$  terms, we have,

$$C_{11} \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1} \nabla u_{10}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1} \nabla_{x} u_{11}) + \operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} u_{11}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} u_{12}) + Q(u_{21} - u_{11}) + q C_{22} \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2} \nabla u_{20}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2} \nabla_{x} u_{21}) + \operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} u_{21}) + \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} u_{22}) + Q(u_{11} - u_{21}) + q.$$
(3.14)

Integrating with respect to y over Y and using (3.12), we have

$$\left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{10}) + \operatorname{div}\left( \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \right)$$

$$+ \left( \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} \right) - \int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy (u_{20} - u_{10}) + q$$

$$\left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{20}) + \operatorname{div}\left( \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \right)$$

$$+ \left( \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} \right) - \int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy (u_{10} - u_{20}) + q,$$

$$(3.15)$$

where

$$\kappa_{1ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_1(x, y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_1^j(x, y)}{\partial y_i}) dy$$
  

$$\kappa_{2ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_2(x, y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_2^j(x, y)}{\partial y_i}) dy.$$
(3.16)

We note that  $\kappa_{1ij}^*(x)$  and  $\kappa_{2ij}^*(x)$  are standard homogenized coefficients for elliptic problems [7]. They are symmetric and positive definite ([7]). We will show in Section 3.2 that the initial conditions for  $u_{10}$ ,  $u_{20}$  are

$$u_{10}(0,x) = g_1(x), \ u_{20}(0,x) = g_2(x).$$
 (3.17)

In the appendix, we show that the homogenized problem (3.15) with these initial conditions has a unique solution.

*Remark.* The case where the continuum interacting term is scaled as  $1/\epsilon$  considered in this chapter has the most interesting homogenization limit, in comparison to other scalings, e.g. the  $1/\epsilon^2$  scale case considered in [29]. It can be shown that the continuum interacting coefficient  $-\int_Y Q(M_1 + M_2) dy$  in (3.15) is always negative while the interaction coefficient  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}Q$  in the two-scale problem can be both positive and negative due to Assumption (3.1). The homogenized equation (3.15) has convection terms, which is different from the original equation (3.3).

We have the following homogenization results.

**Theorem 3.1.1.** Assume that the solution  $N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$  (i = 1, ..., d) of cell problem (3.13 (a),(c)) belong to  $C^2(\bar{\Omega}, C^2(\bar{Y}))$  and the coefficients  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  belong to  $C^1(\bar{\Omega}, C^1(\bar{Y}))$ . The sequence  $(u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon})$  of the solutions to (3.3) converges weakly to  $(u_{10}, u_{20})$ in  $L^2(0, T; V) \times L^2(0, T; V)$ , where  $(u_{10}, u_{20})$  is the solution of the homogenized equations (3.15) with initial conditions (3.17). Since  $\int_Y Q(x, y) dy = 0$ , there is a vector function Q(x, y) which is periodic with respect to y such that  $Q(x, y) = \operatorname{div}_y Q(x, y)$  (see [9], section 1.1). We have the following result on homogenization convergence rate.

**Theorem 3.1.2.** Assume  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2 \in C^1(\bar{\Omega}; C(\bar{Y}))$ ,  $u_{10}, u_{20} \in C([0, T]; C^2(\bar{\Omega})) \cap C^1([0, T]; C^1(\bar{\Omega}))$ ,  $N_k^i, M_k \in C^1(\bar{\Omega}, C^1(\bar{Y}))$ , (i = 1, ..., d, k = 1, 2),  $\mathcal{Q} \in C^2(\bar{\Omega}; C^1(\bar{Y}))^2$ . Then we have

$$||\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla u_{10} - \nabla_{y} u_{11}(\cdot, \cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon})||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)} + ||\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla u_{20} - \nabla_{y} u_{21}(\cdot, \cdot, \frac{\cdot}{\epsilon})||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
(3.18)

where the constant c is independent of  $\epsilon$ .

We prove Theorems 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 in Sections 3 and 4 respectively.

#### **3.2 Proof of homogenization convergence**

In this section, we prove Theorem 3.1.1 on homogenization convergence for the solution of the two scale multi-continuum system (3.3). From (3.7), there exists a subsequence of  $(u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon})$ , which we still denote by  $(u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon})$ ,  $u_{10}$  and  $u_{20}$  such that

$$u_1^{\epsilon} \rightharpoonup u_{10}, u_2^{\epsilon} \rightharpoonup u_{20} \text{ in } L^2(0,T;V).$$
 (3.19)

We show that  $(u_{10}, u_{20})$  satisfies the homogenized problem (3.15). Recall  $N_1^i$ ,  $N_2^i$ ,  $M_1$ and  $M_2$  in  $H_{\#}^1(Y)$  as functions of y are the solutions of the cell problems (3.13). Fixing  $i = 1, \ldots, d$ , we consider

$$\omega_1^{\epsilon}(x) = x_i + \epsilon N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \text{ and } \omega_2^{\epsilon}(x) = x_i + \epsilon N_2^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.20)

Under regularity conditions for  $\kappa_1$ ,  $\kappa_2$ ,  $N_1^i$  and  $N_2^i$ , we have

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_{1}^{\epsilon}(x))$$

$$=-\frac{1}{\epsilon}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))-\epsilon\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))$$

$$-\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))-\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))$$
(3.21)

and

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_{2}^{\epsilon}(x))$$

$$=-\frac{1}{\epsilon}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))-\epsilon\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))$$

$$-\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})))-\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})).$$
(3.22)

Let  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}_{0}(\Omega)$ . From (3.6), we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \omega_1^{\epsilon}) dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon} - u_1^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx, \quad (3.23)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \omega_2^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \omega_2^{\epsilon}) dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon} - u_2^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_2^{\epsilon} dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_2^{\epsilon} dx.$$
(3.24)

Multiplying (3.21) and (3.22) by  $\phi u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $\phi u_2^{\epsilon}$  respectively and integrate over  $\Omega$  we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi u_1^{\epsilon}) dx = -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_x N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_1^{\epsilon} dx - \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_x(\kappa_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi u_1^{\epsilon} dx - \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_y(\kappa_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_x N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_1^{\epsilon} dx,$$
(3.25)

and

$$\int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi u_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx = -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx$$
$$- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}))) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx - \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} (\kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} dx.$$
(3.26)

Let  $\in C_0^{\infty}(0,T)$ . Subtracting (3.25), (3.26) from (3.23) and (3.24) respectively, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot (\nabla \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \psi dx dt 
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \epsilon \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left( \kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \qquad (3.27) 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left( \kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} \left( \kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{1}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt$$

and

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot (\nabla \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \psi dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \epsilon \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left( \kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \right) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \qquad (3.28) \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left( \kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) \right) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} \left( \kappa_{2}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} N_{2}^{i}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \right) \phi u_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt. \end{split}$$

We have the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.1.** The functions  $\int_0^T (t)u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)dt$  and  $\int_0^T (t)u_2^{\epsilon}(t,x)dt$  converge strongly in H to  $\int_0^T \psi(t)u_{10}(t,x)dt$  and  $\int_0^T \psi(t)u_{20}(t,x)dt$  respectively, for  $\psi \in C_0^{\infty}(0,T)$ .

**Proof** This is the standard result in Jikov et al. [9]. As  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  is uniformly bounded in  $L^2(0,T;V)$ , we have that  $\int_0^T (t)u_1^{\epsilon}(t,x)dt$  is uniformly bounded in V. Thus we can extract a subsequence which converges weakly in V and strongly in H. As for all  $\phi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} \int_0^T (t) u_1^{\epsilon}(t, x) \phi(x) dt dx \to \int_{\Omega} \int_0^T \psi(t) u_{10}(t, x) \phi(x) dt dx,$$

the limit is  $\int_{\Omega} \psi(t) u_{10}(t, x) dt$ .

We have

$$\int_0^T \int_\Omega C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx dt = -\int_\Omega C_{11}^{\epsilon} \left( \int_0^T u_1^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt \right) \phi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx.$$

Note that  $C_{11}^{\epsilon}$  converges weakly to  $\int_{Y} C_{11}(x, y) dy$  in H, and  $\int_{0}^{T} u_{1}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt$  converges strongly to  $\int_{0}^{T} u_{10} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dt$  in H. Thus

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi \omega_1^{\epsilon} dx dt = -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y C_{11}(x, y) dy \right) u_{10} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \phi x_i dx dt \\ = \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y C_{11}(x, y) dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \psi \phi x_i dx dt.$$

Note that we have

$$\kappa_1^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_1^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\big((e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) + \epsilon\nabla_x N_1^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\big),$$
  

$$\kappa_2^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\omega_2^{\epsilon}(x) = \kappa_2(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\big((e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})) + \epsilon\nabla_x N_2^i(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\big).$$
(3.29)

Also, note that due to Y-periodicity of  $\kappa$  and  $N^i,$  we have

$$\kappa_1(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) \rightharpoonup \int_Y \kappa_1(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i(x,y))dy,$$

$$\kappa_2(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) \rightharpoonup \int_Y \kappa_2(x,y)(e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i(x,y))dy \text{ in } H.$$
(3.30)

Passing to the limit in (3.27), (3.28), we obtain from Lemma 3.2.1,

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_{10} dx dt 
+ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \right) 
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi x_{i} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}) dy \right) \phi u_{10} \psi dx dt$$
(3.31)

and

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_{20} dx dt \\
+ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \phi \omega_{2}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt \right) \\
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi x_{i} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i}) dy \right) \phi u_{20} \psi dx dt.$$
(3.32)

Letting  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  in (3.6) be  $\phi x_i$  for  $\phi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$ , we get

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi x_{i}) \psi dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt.$$
(3.33)

Passing to the limit when  $\epsilon \to 0,$  we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi x_{i}) \psi dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \psi x_{i} dx dt \right)$$
(3.34)  
$$= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi x_{i} \psi dx dt.$$

Subtracting (3.34) from (3.31), one obtains

$$-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i})dy\right)\cdot\nabla\phi\psi u_{10}dxdt$$
  
$$-\lim_{\epsilon\to0}\left(\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}\cdot e^{i}\phi\psi dxdt+\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}Q^{\epsilon}(u_{2}^{\epsilon}-u_{1}^{\epsilon})N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\phi\psi dxdt\right) \quad (3.35)$$
  
$$=-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i})dy\right)\cdot\nabla(u_{10}\phi)\psi dxdt.$$

Using Lemma 3.2.1, we get

$$-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i})dy\right)\cdot\nabla\phi\psi u_{10}dxdt$$
  
$$-\lim_{\epsilon\to0}\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}\cdot e^{i}\phi\psi dxdt - \int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}QN_{1}^{i}dy\right)(u_{20}-u_{10})\phi\psi dxdt \quad (3.36)$$
  
$$=-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(e^{i}+\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i})dy\cdot\nabla(u_{10}\phi)\psi dxdt.$$

From this, we have

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi u_{10} dx dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla (u_{10} \phi) \psi dx dt \\ &- \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y Q N_1^i dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1(e^i + \nabla_y N_1^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{10} \phi \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 \nabla_y M_1 \cdot e^i dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt, \end{split}$$
(3.37)

where we use (3.13 (a),(b)) for the last term of (3.37). Similarly,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot e^i \phi \psi dx dt$$

$$= \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 (e^i + \nabla_y N_2^i) dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{20} \phi dx \psi dt$$

$$+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 \nabla_y M_2 \cdot e^i dy \right) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \phi \psi dx dt.$$
(3.38)

From (3.37), one obtains

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} (e^{i} + \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}) dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{10} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} \cdot e^{i} dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_{i}} \psi dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{10} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi (u_{20} - u_{10}) dx dt, \end{split}$$
(3.39)

where we have used the standard result on the symmetry of the homogenized coefficient  $\kappa_1^*$  defined in (3.16) (see, e.g., [7]). Similarly, we deduce

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^\epsilon \nabla u_2^\epsilon \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt 
= \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_2^* \nabla u_{20} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt + \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 \nabla_y M_2 dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi \psi (u_{10} - u_{20}) dx dt,$$
(3.40)

where  $\kappa_2^*$  is defined in (3.16). We define  $\gamma_1^\epsilon$  and  $\gamma_2^\epsilon$  as

$$\gamma_1^{\epsilon}(x) = \epsilon M_1(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ \gamma_2^{\epsilon}(x) = \epsilon M_2(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.41)

Under the smoothness conditions for  $\kappa_1,\,M_1,$  we have

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla\gamma_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)) = -\frac{1}{\epsilon}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) - \epsilon\operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) - \operatorname{div}_{x}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})) - \operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\nabla_{x}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})).$$

$$(3.42)$$

Letting  $\phi_1(x) = \phi(x)\gamma_1^{\epsilon}(x)$  where  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$  in (3.6), we obtain

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \gamma_1^{\epsilon} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \gamma_1^{\epsilon}) dx - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon} - u_1^{\epsilon}) \phi \gamma_1^{\epsilon} dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi \gamma_1^{\epsilon} dx.$$
(3.43)

Let  $\psi \in C_0^{\infty}((0,T))$ . From (3.42) we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi(x) u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi(t) dx dt = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi(x) u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi(t) dx dt 
+ \epsilon \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi(x) u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi(t) dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{y} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi(x) u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi(t) dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi(x) u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi(t) dx dt.$$
(3.44)

Adding (3.43) and (3.44), we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla (\phi \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon}) \psi dx dt 
- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \gamma_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
+ \epsilon \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{y} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} \left(\kappa_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \nabla_{x} M_{1}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon})\right) \phi u_{1}^{\epsilon} \psi dx dt.$$
(3.45)

We note that on the left hand side of (3.45),

$$\int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla (\phi \gamma_1^\epsilon) \psi dx dt + \int_0^T \int_\Omega \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla \gamma_1^\epsilon) \phi u_1^\epsilon \psi dx dt = \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla u_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla \phi \gamma_1^\epsilon \psi dx dt - \int_0^T \int_\Omega \kappa_1^\epsilon \nabla \gamma_1^\epsilon \cdot \nabla \phi u_1^\epsilon dx dt$$

Passing (3.45) to the limit, using Lemma 3.2.1, one obtains

$$-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(x,y)\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,y)dy\right)\cdot\nabla\phi(x)u_{10}\psi(t)dxdt$$
  
$$-\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}Q(x,y)M_{1}(x,y)dy\right)(u_{20}-u_{10})\phi(x)\psi(t)dxdt$$
  
$$=-\lim_{\epsilon\to0}\frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\phi(x)u_{1}^{\epsilon}\psi(t)dxdt$$
  
$$+\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\operatorname{div}\left(\int_{Y}\kappa_{1}(x,y)\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,y)dy\right)\phi(x)u_{10}\psi(t)dxdt$$
  
$$+\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\left(\int_{Y}\operatorname{div}_{y}(\kappa_{1}(x,y)\nabla_{x}M_{1}(x,y))dy\right)\phi(x)u_{10}\psi(t)dxdt.$$
  
(3.46)

Due to periodicity, the last term on the right hand side equals 0. We thus have

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^T \int_\Omega Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) u_1^\epsilon \phi(x) \psi(t) dx dt = \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y Q M_1 dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt - \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 \nabla_y M_1 dy \right) \cdot \nabla(\phi u_{10}) \psi dx dt + \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 \nabla_y M_1 dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi u_{10} \psi dx dt = \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y Q M_1 dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt - \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_1 \nabla_y M_1 dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{10} \phi \psi dx dt.$$
(3.47)

Similarly, we obtain

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^T \int_\Omega Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) u_2^\epsilon \phi(x) \psi(t) dx dt$$
  
= 
$$\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y Q M_2 dy \right) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \phi \psi dx dt - \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y \kappa_2 \nabla_y M_2 dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{20} \phi \psi dx dt.$$
  
(3.48)

Thus

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi(x) \psi(t) dx dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{20} \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) \cdot \nabla u_{10} \phi \psi dx dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi(x) \psi(t) dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} \phi dx \psi dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} e^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} \phi dx \psi dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} \phi \psi dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} N_{2}^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} \phi \psi dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i} \cdot \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} \phi \psi dx dt \end{split}$$
(3.49)

where we have used cell problems (3.13 (a),(c)). Using cell problems (3.13 (b),(d)), we have

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^T \int_\Omega Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (u_2^\epsilon - u_1^\epsilon) \phi \psi dx dt$$

$$= -\int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y Q(M_1 + M_2) dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt$$

$$+ \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y QN_2^i dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_i} \phi \psi dx dt - \int_0^T \int_\Omega \left( \int_Y QN_1^i dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_i} \phi \psi dx dt.$$
(3.50)

We are now ready to prove Theorem 3.1.1.
Proof of Theorem 3.1.1

From (3.6)  

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi \psi dx dt \\
= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \psi dx dt.$$
(3.51)

for all  $\phi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$  and  $\psi \in C_0^{\infty}((0,T))$ . Passing to the limit, from (3.39), (3.50), Lemma 3.2.1, we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{11} dy \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi (u_{20} - u_{10}) \psi dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} \right) \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy \right) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi \psi dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \psi dx dt.$$
(3.52)

Similarly, we derive

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{22} dy \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} \phi dx \psi dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{20} \cdot \nabla \phi \psi dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy \right) \cdot \nabla \phi (u_{10} - u_{20}) \psi dx dt 
- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} \right) \phi \psi dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy \right) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \phi \psi dx dt. = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi \psi dx dt,$$
(3.53)

where

$$\kappa_{1ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_1(x,y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_1^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i}) dy, \quad \kappa_{2ij}^*(x) = \int_Y \kappa_2(x,y) (\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial N_2^j(x,y)}{\partial y_i}) dy.$$
(3.54)

We now prove the initial condition of  $u_{10}$ ,  $u_{20}$ . From (3.3) and Theorem A.0.1, we deduce that  $C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0, T; V')$ . Similarly,  $C_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0, T; V')$ . Let  $\psi(t, x) \in C_0^{\infty}(0, T; V)$ , i.e.  $\psi(0, x) = \psi(T, x) = 0$ . As  $\epsilon \to 0$ , we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt = -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt \rightarrow -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle u_{10} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt \qquad (3.55)$$

where  $\langle \cdot \rangle$  denotes the integral average over Y. Note that we used Lemma 3.2.1. This shows that the weak limit of  $C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  in  $L^2(0,T;V')$  is  $\langle C_{11} \rangle \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t}$ . Now we choose  $\psi \in C^{\infty}(0,T;V)$  so that  $\psi(T,x) = 0$ . Then

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt = -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} (0, x) \psi(0, x) dx \rightarrow -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle u_{10} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle g_{1} \psi(0, x) dx.$$
(3.56)

On the other hand

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt \to \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \psi dx dt$$

$$= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle u_{10} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{C}_{11} \rangle u_{10}(0, x) \psi(0, x) dx.$$
(3.57)

This shows that  $\langle C_{11} \rangle u_{10}(0,x) = \langle C_{11} \rangle g_1(x)$ . i.e. the initial condition of  $u_{10}$  is  $u_{10}(0,x) = g_1(x)$ . Similarly, we have initial condition  $u_{20}(0,x) = g_2(x)$ .

## 3.3 Homogenization error

We prove Theorem 3.1.2 in this section. Let

$$u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{10}(t,x) + \epsilon u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{20}(t,x) + \epsilon u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.58)

Using (3.12) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) &+ \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \\ &= \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla u_{10}) + \epsilon \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{x}u_{11}) + \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(u_{20} - u_{10}) \\ &+ Q^{\epsilon}(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) + Q^{\epsilon}(M_{2}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))(u_{10} - u_{20}) \\ &= \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla u_{10}) + \epsilon \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{x}u_{11}) + \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) + \operatorname{div}(Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) \\ &- \operatorname{div}_{x}(Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) + Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}))(u_{10} - u_{20}) \\ &= \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla u_{10}) + \epsilon \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{x}u_{11}) + \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) + \operatorname{div}(Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) \\ &- \operatorname{div}_{x}(Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) - \operatorname{div}(\int_{Y}Q(x,y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y}M_{1}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{20} - u_{10})) + \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y})dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}\nabla_{y})dy(u_{20} - u_{10}) + \operatorname{div}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\sqrt{\int_{Y}Q(x,y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) + Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\sqrt{\int_{Y}Q(x,y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) + Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\sqrt{\int_{Y}Q(x,y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) + Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}) \\ &+ \operatorname{div}(\sqrt{\int_{Y}Q(x,y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})) + Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(N_{2}^{i}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i$$

We let F(t, x, y) be defined as

$$F(t, x, y) = \kappa_{1}(x, y) \nabla u_{10}(t, x) + \kappa_{1}(x, y) \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x, y) \frac{\partial u_{10}(t, x)}{\partial x_{i}} + \kappa_{1}(x, y) \nabla_{y} M_{1}(x, y) (u_{20}(t, x) - u_{10}(t, x)) + \mathcal{Q}(x, y) (u_{20}(t, x) - u_{10}(t, x)) - \int_{Y} \mathcal{Q}(x, y) dy (u_{20}(t, x) - u_{10}(t, x)) - \left(\int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x, y) dy \nabla u_{10}(t, x) + \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x, y) \nabla_{y} N_{1}^{i}(x, y) dy \frac{\partial u_{10}(t, x)}{\partial x_{i}} + \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}(x, y) \nabla_{y} M_{1}(x, y) dy (u_{20}(t, x) - u_{10}(t, x)) \right).$$
(3.60)

We let

$$G(t, x, y) = -\operatorname{div}_{x}(\mathcal{Q}(x, y)(u_{20} - u_{10})) + \operatorname{div}\left(\int_{Y} \mathcal{Q}(x, y)dy(u_{20} - u_{10})\right) + Q(x, y)\left(N_{2}^{i}(x, y)\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - N_{1}^{i}(x, y)\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}\right) + Q(x, y)(M_{2}(x, y) + M_{1}(x, u))(u_{10} - u_{20}) - \left(\int_{Y} Q(x, y)N_{2}^{i}(x, y)dy\frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - \int_{Y} Q(x, y)N_{1}^{i}(x, y)dy\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}\right) - \int_{Y} Q(x, y)(M_{2}(x, y) + M_{1}(x, y))(u_{10} - u_{20})dy.$$
(3.61)

Note that from (3.13), we deduce  $\operatorname{div}_y F(t, x, y) = 0$ . Further, we have  $\int_Y F_i(t, x, y) dy = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, d$ . From the hypothesis of the theorem,  $F_i(t, x, y) \in C(0, T; C^1(\overline{\Omega}; C(\overline{Y})))$ . Thus, from p.6 of [9], there are functions  $\alpha_{ij}(t, x, y) \in C(0, T; C^1(\overline{\Omega}; C^1(\overline{Y})))$  such that

$$\alpha_{ij} = -\alpha_{ji} \text{ and } F_i(t, x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, y),$$
(3.62)

for  $i, j = 1, \ldots, d$ . From this, we have

$$F_i(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) = \epsilon \frac{d}{dx_j} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) - \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \qquad (3.63)$$

where  $\frac{d}{dx_j}$  is the total partial derivative with respect to  $x_j$  of a function of t and x. Then for any  $\phi(x) \in V$ , we have

$$\int_{\Omega} F_{i}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \phi(x) dx 
= \int_{\Omega} \left( \epsilon \frac{d}{dx_{j}} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) - \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \phi(x) dx 
= -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \frac{\partial^{2} \phi(x)}{\partial x_{j} \partial x_{i}} dx - \epsilon \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \phi(x) dx 
= -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \alpha_{ij}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \phi(x) dx.$$
(3.64)

As  $\int_Y G(t, x, y) dy = 0$ , there exists a vector function  $\mathcal{G} \in C(0, T; C^1(\overline{\Omega}; C^1(\overline{Y})))$  which is Y-periodic with respect to y such that  $\operatorname{div}_y \mathcal{G} = G$ . Thus for any  $\phi(x) \in V$ , we have

$$\int_{\Omega} G(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi dx = \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{y} \mathcal{G}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi dx$$
  
=  $\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \mathcal{G}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi dx - \epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{G}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi dx$  (3.65)  
=  $-\epsilon \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{G}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla \phi dx - \epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{G}(t, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \phi dx.$ 

From (3.58), we have

$$\left\| \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{11}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}(t) - \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t}(t) \right\|_{V'} \le c\epsilon$$
(3.66)

where c is independent of t. From (3.59), (3.64), (3.65) and (3.66), we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{11}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}(t) - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x)\nabla u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) - u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)) \right) - \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t}(t) - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{*}\nabla u_{10}(t)) - \operatorname{div}\left( \int_{Y} \kappa_{1}\nabla_{y} M_{1} dy(u_{20}(t) - u_{10}(t)) \right) - \left( \int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}}(t) - \int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}(t) \right) + \int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy(u_{20}(t) - u_{10}(t)) \right) \right\|_{V} \leq c\epsilon. \end{split}$$

$$(3.67)$$

Let  $\tau^\epsilon \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  be such that

$$\tau^{\epsilon}(x) = 0$$
 if  $d(x, \partial \Omega) \le \epsilon$ ,  $\tau^{\epsilon}(x) = 1$  if  $d(x, \partial \Omega) \ge 2\epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon |\nabla \tau^{\epsilon}(x)| \le C$ ,

where C is independent of  $\epsilon$ . We define the functions

$$\omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{10}(t,x) + \epsilon \tau^{\epsilon}(x)u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}), \quad \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) = u_{20}(t,x) + \epsilon \tau^{\epsilon}(x)u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.68)

Using the smoothness asumptions of the theorem, we have

$$\nabla(u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x))$$

$$= -\epsilon \nabla \tau^{\epsilon}(x) u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon(1 - \tau^{\epsilon}(x)) \nabla_{x} u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + (1 - \tau^{\epsilon}(x)) \nabla_{y} u_{11}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}),$$

$$\nabla(u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x))$$

$$= -\epsilon \nabla \tau^{\epsilon}(x) u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \epsilon(1 - \tau^{\epsilon}(x)) \nabla_{x} u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) + (1 - \tau^{\epsilon}(x)) \nabla_{y} u_{21}(t,x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.69)

It follows from (3.69) that

$$\|u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}, \ \|u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
(3.70)

where the constant c is independent of t. From (3.70), we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial (u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x))}{\partial t} \phi(x) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla (u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \cdot \nabla \phi(x) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) ((u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - (u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x))) \nabla \phi(x) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) ((\nabla u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - (\nabla u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x))) \phi(x) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) ((u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - (u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x))) \phi(x) dx \\ &\leq c \bigg( \left\| \frac{\partial (u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t))}{\partial t} \right\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} + \left\| u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) \right\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \\ &+ \left\| u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) \right\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \bigg) \|\phi\|_{V} \leq c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\phi\|_{V} \end{split}$$
(3.71)

for all  $\phi \in V$ , where c > 0 is independent of t. Then we obtain

$$\left\| \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) - \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(\omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) \right\|_{V'} \leq c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

$$(3.72)$$

From (3.3), (3.15), (3.67) and (3.72), we obtain

$$\left\| \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) - \left( \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(\omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) \right\|_{V'} \leq c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$(3.73)$$

where c is independent of t. Similarly,

$$\left\| \left( \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) - \left( \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(\omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \right) \right\|_{V'} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

$$(3.74)$$

Let  $\lambda > 0$ . Let  $\hat{u}_i^{\epsilon}(t, x) = u_i^{\epsilon}(t, x)e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\hat{\omega}_{i1}^{\epsilon}(t, x) = \omega_{i1}^{\epsilon}(t, x)e^{-\lambda t}$  for i = 1, 2. From (3.73) and (3.74), we deduce

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \left( \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left( \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon} \right) dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \left( \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left( \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon} \right) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \left( (\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \left( (\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \left( (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \left( (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) dx \\ &\leq c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( || \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) ||_{V} + || \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) ||_{V} \right). \end{split}$$

$$(3.75)$$

As  $u_i^{\epsilon}(t,x) = \hat{u}_i^{\epsilon}(t,x)e^{\lambda t}, \ \omega_{i1}^{\epsilon}(t,x) = \hat{\omega}_{i1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)e^{\lambda t}$ 

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) dx + \lambda \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) dx + \lambda \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx \\ &- 2 \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \left( (\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \right) dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right)^{2} dx \\ &\leq c e^{-\lambda t} \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( ||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{V} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{V} \right). \end{split}$$

(3.76)

Integrating over  $\left[0,T\right]$  we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(T))^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(T))^{2} dx dt \\
+ \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt \\
- 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \left( (\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right) \right) dx dt \\
- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \left( (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}) - (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}) \right)^{2} dx dt \\
\leq c \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} || \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t) ||_{V} + || \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t) ||_{V} dt \right) \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(0))^{2} dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(0))^{2} dx dt$$
(3.77)

By Cauchy Schwartz and Young's inequalities, using the boundedness of  $\mathcal{Q}(x,y)$ , one obtains

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(T))^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\
+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} C_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(T))^{2} dx dt \\
+ \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} |\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}|^{2} dx dt \\
- \frac{1}{2\epsilon} (||\nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \nabla \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}) \\
- \frac{\epsilon}{2} (||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}) \\
- c_{1} (||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}) \\
\leq c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \left( \int_{0}^{T} ||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{V}^{2} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \int_{0}^{T} ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(t) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(t)||_{V}^{2} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(0))^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} C_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(0))^{2} dx$$
(3.78)

where the constant  $\frac{1}{2\varepsilon} > 0$  can be chosen to be smaller than  $\underline{\kappa}$  in (3.4). Choosing  $\lambda$  large enough, we obtain from (3.4),

$$c_{2}(||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(T)||_{H}^{2} + c||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(T) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(T)||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla\hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\nabla\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla\hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}) \leq c_{3}(\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}||\nabla\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla\hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)} + \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}||\nabla\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla\hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)} + ||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{11}^{\epsilon}(0)||_{H}^{2} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(0) - \hat{\omega}_{21}^{\epsilon}(0)||_{H}^{2}).$$

$$(3.79)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} ||u_{1}^{\epsilon}(T) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(T)||_{H}^{2} + ||u_{2}^{\epsilon}(T) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(T)||_{H}^{2} \\ + ||\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} \\ &\leq \frac{c_{3}}{c_{2}} (\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} ||\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)} + \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} ||\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} \\ &+ ||u_{1}^{\epsilon}(0) - \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}(0)||_{H}^{2} + ||u_{2}^{\epsilon}(0) - \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}(0)||_{H}^{2}). \end{aligned}$$
(3.80)

Since  $u_i^{\epsilon}(0) = u_{i0}(0) = g_i(x)$ , we deduce that

$$u_{i}^{\epsilon}(0) - \omega_{i1}^{\epsilon}(0) = u_{i}^{\epsilon}(0) - u_{i0}(0) - \epsilon \tau u_{i1}(0, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) = -\epsilon \tau u_{i1}(0, x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$$
(3.81)

As  $u_{i1}(t, x, y) \in C([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega} \times \overline{Y})$ , we have  $||u_i^{\epsilon}(0) - \omega_{i1}^{\epsilon}(0)||_H \leq c\epsilon$ . From this we obtain

$$||\nabla u_1^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;H)} + ||\nabla u_2^{\epsilon} - \nabla \omega_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;H)} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(3.82)

From (3.70), we have

$$||\nabla u_1^{\epsilon} - \nabla u_{11}^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;H)} + ||\nabla u_2^{\epsilon} - \nabla u_{21}^{\epsilon}||_{L^2(0,T;H)} \le c\epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(3.83)

The conclusion follows.

#### 3.4 Numerical example

In this section, we apply hierarchical finite element algorithm to a numerical example for a multi-continuum system with highly oscillatory coefficients. We will utilize our algorithm to numerically approximate the effective coefficients for macroscopic points. To show the accuracy of the algorithm, we will compare the results to the approximations to the effective coefficients obtained from full reference solve that uses the finest meshes at all macroscopic points.

#### 3.4.1 Numerical Implementation

We let  $\Omega = [0,1]^2$  be the macroscopic domain and  $Y = [0,1]^2$  be the unit cell. We suppose that we are given

$$\kappa_1(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (2 - ax_1)\cos(2\pi y_1)\sin(2\pi y_2) + 3$$
  

$$\kappa_2(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (2 - ax_1)\sin(2\pi y_1)\cos(2\pi y_2) + 3$$
  

$$Q(x_1, y_1, y_2) = (1 + ax_1)\sin(2\pi y_1)\sin(2\pi y_2)$$
  
(3.84)

We use 4 square meshes in  $[0, 1]^2$  to construct a nested sequence of FE spaces,  $\{\mathcal{V}_{3-l}\}_{l=0}^3$ so that the mesh size of each space is  $h_l = 2^l(2^{-4})$  for l = 0, 1, 2, 3. Since  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  and Qare independent of  $x_2$ , we only consider 1-dimensional macrogrids in [0, 1]. We develop the nested macrogrids  $\{\mathcal{T}_l\}_{l=0}^L \subset [0, 1]$  and the subsequent macrogrid hierarchy,  $\{S_l\}_{l=0}^3$ . We first let  $\mathcal{T}_0 = S_0 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$ . Considering that our macrogrids have grid spacing  $H2^{-l}$ for l = 0, 1, 2, 3, where  $H = \frac{1}{2}$  in this case, we have following hierarchy of macrogrids.

$$S_0 = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}, \ S_1 = \{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\}, \ S_2 = \{\frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{8}, \frac{7}{8}\}, \ S_3 = \{\frac{1}{16}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{5}{16}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{9}{16}, \frac{11}{16}, \frac{13}{16}, \frac{15}{16}\}$$
(3.85)

#### 1-pt interpolation

2-pt interpolation

$x_1$	Relative Errors (%)		m	Relative Errors (%)	
	$\kappa^*_{111}$	$Q^*$	$x_1$	$\kappa^*_{111}$	$Q^*$
$\frac{1}{16}$	0.2356	5.2251	$\frac{1}{16}$	0.0076	0.0710
$\frac{1}{8}$	0.1469	1.9858	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.0097	0.0991
$\frac{3}{16}$	0.1172	3.8566	$\frac{3}{16}$	0.0105	0.1016
$\frac{1}{4}$	0.0849	0.7521	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.0073	0.0782
$\frac{5}{16}$	0.2680	4.9487	$\frac{5}{16}$	0.0085	0.0808
$\frac{3}{8}$	0.0965	1.4295	$\frac{3}{8}$	0.0066	0.0651
$\frac{7}{16}$	0.1633	3.8556	$\frac{7}{16}$	0.0044	0.0376
$\frac{9}{16}$	0.1473	3.5702	$\frac{9}{16}$	0.0027	0.0221
$\frac{5}{8}$	0.0730	1.1951	$\frac{5}{8}$	0.0033	0.0353
$\frac{11}{16}$	0.1605	3.6592	$\frac{11}{16}$	0.0036	0.0348
$\frac{3}{4}$	0.0302	0.3319	$\frac{3}{4}$	0.0023	0.0307
$\frac{13}{16}$	0.0860	2.7865	$\frac{13}{16}$	0.0028	0.0267
$\frac{7}{8}$	0.0490	0.9929	$\frac{7}{8}$	0.0021	0.0224
$\frac{15}{16}$	0.0992	2.9284	$\frac{15}{16}$	0.0015	0.0098

Table 3.1: 1-pt and 2-pt interpolation : Percentage relative errors between full mesh reference solve and hierarchical solve when a = 1.

Figure 2.3 indicates how these macrogrids and the approximation spaces are related in numerical implementation. Table 3.1, 2.2 indicate  $\kappa_{111}^*$  and  $Q^*$  obtained by both hierarchical and full solve at each  $x_1$  and relative errors between them, where  $Q^* = \int_Y Q(M_1 + M_2) dy$  and relative errors are calculated by  $\frac{100|\kappa_{full}^* - \kappa_{hier}^*|}{\kappa_{full}^*}$  with obvious notations.



Figure 3.1: hierarchical solve "-o-" vs. full mesh solve "-"

# 4. MULTISCALE SIMULATION FOR UPSCALED MULTI-CONTINUUM FLOWS

\* The generalized multiscale finite element methods (GMsFEM) ([30],[13]) is a multiscale model reduction technique for solving problems with multiscale and high contrast. The GMsFEM uses a coarse grid and constructs a local reduced-order model for each coarse region. The main idea is to systematically select important degrees of freedom for the solution in each coarse block. This is achieved by constructing local snapshot spaces and selecting multiscale basis functions. Snapshot spaces are constructed by solving local problems subject to proper boundary conditions. The multiscale basis functions are obtained by well-designed local spectral problems. In this chapter we utilize the GMsFEM for solving the upscaled multiscale dual-continuum system derived in Chapter 3.

#### 4.1 Function spaces

Let  $\Omega$  be our computational domain in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . The spaces of functions, vector fields in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $2 \times 2$  matrix fields defined over  $\Omega$  are respectively denoted by italic capitals (e.g.,  $L^2(\Omega)$ ), boldface Roman capitals (e.g., V), and special Roman capitals (e.g.,  $\mathbb{S}$ ).

Consider the space  $V := H_0^1(\Omega) = W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)$ . Its dual space (also called the adjoint space), which consists of continuous linear functionals on  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ , is denoted by  $H^{-1}(\Omega)$ , and the value of a functional  $f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$  at a point  $v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  is denoted by the inner product  $\langle f, v \rangle$ .

The Sobolev norm  $\|\cdot\|_{W^{1,2}_{0}(\Omega)}$  is of the form

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

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Here,  $\|\nabla v\|_{L^2(\Omega)} := \||\nabla v|\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ , where  $|\nabla v|$  denotes the Euclidean norm of the 2component vector-valued function  $\nabla v$ ; and for  $\boldsymbol{v} = (v_1, v_2)$ ,  $\|\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^2(\Omega)} := \||\nabla \boldsymbol{v}|\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ , where  $|\nabla \boldsymbol{v}|$  denotes the Frobenius norm of the 2 × 2 matrix  $\nabla \boldsymbol{v}$ . We recall that the Frobenius norm on  $\mathbb{L}^2(\Omega)$  is defined by  $|\boldsymbol{X}|^2 := \boldsymbol{X} \cdot \boldsymbol{X} = \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{X})$ .

The dual norm to  $\|\cdot\|_{H^1_0(\Omega)}$  is  $\|\cdot\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$ , that is,

$$||f||_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} = \sup_{v \in H^{1}_{0}(\Omega)} \frac{|\langle f, v \rangle|}{||v||_{H^{1}_{0}(\Omega)}}$$

For every  $1 \leq r < \infty$ , we use  $\boldsymbol{L}^r(0,T;\boldsymbol{X})$  to represent the Bochner space with the norm

$$\|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{r}(0,T;\boldsymbol{X})} := \left(\int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{X}}^{r} \mathrm{d}t\right)^{1/r} < +\infty,$$
$$\|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{\infty}(0,T;\boldsymbol{X})} := \sup_{0 \le t \le T} \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{X}} < +\infty,$$

where  $(\boldsymbol{X}, \|\cdot\|_{\boldsymbol{X}})$  is a Banach space. Also, we define

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{1}(0,T;\boldsymbol{X}) := \left\{ \boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{L}^{2}(0,T;\boldsymbol{X}) : \partial_{t}\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{L}^{2}(0,T;\boldsymbol{X}) \right\} \,.$$

To shorten notation, we denote the space for  $\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,t) = (u_1(\cdot,t), u_2(\cdot,t))$  by  $\boldsymbol{V} = V \times V = H_0^1(\Omega) \times H_0^1(\Omega)$ , where  $t \in [0,T], T > 0$ .

#### 4.2 **Problem formulation**

In [29, 31], Park and Hoang have studied homogenization of multi-continuum systems (see [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], for instance). Specially, in [31], homogenization was developed for a two-scale dual-continuum system

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})\frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})(u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + f_{1}, \\
\mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})\frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}Q^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})(u_{1}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_{2}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + f_{2},$$
(4.1)

where  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f_1, f_2 \in L^2(\Omega)$ ,  $\epsilon$  represents the microscopic scale of the local variation, and the interaction terms are scaled as  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-1})$ . Let Y be a unit cube in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . The coefficients  $\mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon}$ ,  $\kappa_i^{\epsilon}$  and  $Q^{\epsilon}$  are defined as

$$C_{ii}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x}) = C_{ii}\left(\boldsymbol{x}, \frac{\boldsymbol{x}}{\epsilon}\right), \ \kappa_{i}^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \kappa_{i}\left(\boldsymbol{x}, \frac{\boldsymbol{x}}{\epsilon}\right) \text{ and } Q^{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{x}) = Q\left(\boldsymbol{x}, \frac{\boldsymbol{x}}{\epsilon}\right), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad (4.2)$$

where  $C_{ii}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ ,  $\kappa_i(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$  and  $Q(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$  are Y-periodic functions from  $\Omega \times Y$ . The following homogenized equations of the system (4.1) were derived in [31]:

$$\left(\int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{1,0}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{1,0}) + \operatorname{div}\left[\left(\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) (u_{2,0} - u_{1,0})\right] \\ + \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left[\left(\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{2,0}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left(\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{1,0}}{\partial x_{i}}\right] \\ - \left(\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) \,\mathrm{d}y\right) (u_{2,0} - u_{1,0}) + f_{1}, \\ \left(\int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} \mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{2,0}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{2,0}) + \operatorname{div}\left[\left(\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) (u_{1,0} - u_{2,0})\right] \\ + \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left[\left(\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{1,0}}{\partial x_{i}} - \left(\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} \,\mathrm{d}y\right) \frac{\partial u_{2,0}}{\partial x_{i}}\right] \\ - \left(\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) \,\mathrm{d}y\right) (u_{1,0} - u_{2,0}) + f_{2},$$

$$\left(\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) \,\mathrm{d}y\right) (u_{1,0} - u_{2,0}) + f_{2},$$

where  $\kappa_1^*$  and  $\kappa_2^*$  are symmetric and positive definite,  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are in  $L^2(\Omega)$ . The coefficients  $\int_Y \kappa_i \nabla_y M_i \, dy$  and  $\int_Y Q N_j^i \, dy$  (where i, j = 1, 2) can be either positive or negative, and  $\left(-\int_Y Q(M_1 + M_2) \, dy\right)$  is uniformly negative in  $\Omega$ . These homogenized equations still possess some degree of multiscale. This motivates our research (herein) on numerical multiscale simulation for a dual-continuum system with general convection and reaction

terms:

$$\mathcal{C}_{11}(\boldsymbol{x}) \frac{\partial u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + Q_1(\boldsymbol{x})(u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) = f_1(\boldsymbol{x}), \mathcal{C}_{22}(\boldsymbol{x}) \frac{\partial u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + Q_2(\boldsymbol{x})(u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) = f_2(\boldsymbol{x}),$$
(4.4)

in  $\Omega \times (0, T)$ , with the Dirichlet boundary condition  $u_1(\boldsymbol{x}) = u_2(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega \times (0, T)$ , and with suitable initial conditions (when t = 0, T), given  $\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}) = (f_1(\boldsymbol{x}), f_2(\boldsymbol{x})) \in$  $\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)$ . We will show later that (4.4) has a unique solution under certain conditions. One of the main difficulties as well as contributions of this work is that in (4.4), we use different  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  rather than the same Q in (4.3). Note that  $C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$  is dense in V. The variational form of (4.4) is as follows: Find  $\boldsymbol{u} = (u_1, u_2) \in \boldsymbol{V}$  such that

$$\int_{\Omega} C_{11} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_1 - u_2) \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_1(\boldsymbol{x})(u_1 - u_2) \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_1 \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x , \int_{\Omega} C_{22} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_2 - u_1) \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(\boldsymbol{x})(u_2 - u_1) \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_2 \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x ,$$
(4.5)

for all  $\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2) \in V$ , for a.e.  $t \in (0, T)$ . Before studying this problem, we first consider the following interesting static dual-continuum system:

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_{1}(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_{1}(\boldsymbol{x})) + \boldsymbol{b}_{1}(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_{1}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{2}(\boldsymbol{x})) + Q_{1}(\boldsymbol{x})(u_{1}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{2}(\boldsymbol{x})) = f_{1}(\boldsymbol{x}),$$
  
$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_{2}(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_{2}(\boldsymbol{x})) + \boldsymbol{b}_{2}(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_{2}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{1}(\boldsymbol{x})) + Q_{2}(\boldsymbol{x})(u_{2}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{1}(\boldsymbol{x})) = f_{2}(\boldsymbol{x}),$$
  
(4.6)

in  $\Omega$ , with the Dirichlet boundary condition  $u_1(\boldsymbol{x}) = u_2(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ , where  $\kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x})$  and  $\kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x})$  are permeability coefficients in high contrast media, provided  $\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}) = (f_1(\boldsymbol{x}), f_2(\boldsymbol{x})) \in \boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)$ .

For later use, we define

$$\boldsymbol{b}_{s} = \frac{\boldsymbol{b}_{1} + \boldsymbol{b}_{2}}{2}, \quad \boldsymbol{b}_{a} = \frac{\boldsymbol{b}_{1} - \boldsymbol{b}_{2}}{2}, \quad Q_{s} = \frac{Q_{1} + Q_{2}}{2}, \quad Q_{a} = \frac{Q_{1} - Q_{2}}{2}, \quad (4.7)$$

in variable x .

Throughout this section, we assume the following.

Assumption 4.2.1. There are some positive constants  $\overline{C}, \underline{C}, \overline{b}, \overline{Q}$  and  $\overline{\kappa}, \underline{\kappa}$  such that  $\overline{C} \geq C_{ii} \geq \underline{C}, |\mathbf{b}_i| \leq \overline{b}, |Q_i| \leq \overline{Q}, \overline{\kappa} \geq \kappa_i \geq \underline{\kappa} \ (i = 1, 2), and we further assume that <math>1 > \overline{b}/\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}, |\mathbf{b}_s| \gg |\mathbf{b}_a|$  and  $|Q_s| \gg |Q_a|$ .

The system (4.6) can be written in the variational form

$$\int_{\Omega} \kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int \boldsymbol{b}_1 \cdot \nabla (u_1(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} Q_1(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_1(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\Omega} f_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} , \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2 \cdot \nabla (u_2(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_2(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\Omega} f_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} ,$$
(4.8)

for all  $\phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}), \ \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \in V$ . We define a norm  $||\cdot||_a$  on the space  $\boldsymbol{V}$  as

$$||(u_1, u_2)||_a = \left( \left\| \kappa_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_1 \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \left\| \kappa_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_2 \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(4.9)

We define a bilinear form  $b(\cdot, \cdot) : \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{V} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1 \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2 \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla v_2 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_1 \cdot \nabla (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2 \cdot \nabla (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx \qquad (4.10) + \int_{\Omega} Q_1 (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} Q_2 (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx .$$

### 4.2.1 Existence and uniqueness of weak solutions

In this section, we will show that each of the systems (4.8) and (4.5) has a unique solution under certain conditions.

**Lemma 4.2.1.** Under Assumption 4.2.1, there are some positive constants K,  $\alpha$  and  $C_b$  such that for all  $\boldsymbol{u} = (u_1, u_2), \boldsymbol{v} = (v_1, v_2) \in \boldsymbol{V}$ , we have

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le C_b ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a ||\boldsymbol{v}||_a , \qquad (4.11)$$

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) + K ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2 \ge \alpha ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a^2.$$
(4.12)

*Proof.* First, we prove (4.11). Note that

$$b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \|v_{j}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \bar{Q} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} ||u_{i}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)} ||v_{j}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}.$$

$$(4.13)$$

By the Poincaré inequality, there exits a positive constant  $C_p(\Omega)$  such that

$$||v_i||_{L^2(\Omega)} \le C_p ||\nabla v_i||_{L^2(\Omega)} \le \frac{C_p}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \left\|\kappa_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_i\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}, \qquad (4.14)$$

for all  $v_i \in H^1_0(\Omega), \; i=1,2$  . Thus, we get

$$b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \frac{\bar{b}C_{p}}{\kappa} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \kappa_{j}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_{j} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \frac{\bar{Q}C_{p}^{2}}{\kappa} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \kappa_{j}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_{j} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq \left( \left( 1 + \frac{2\bar{b}C_{p}}{\kappa} + \frac{2\bar{Q}C_{p}^{2}}{\kappa} \right) \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left( \left( 1 + \frac{2\bar{b}C_{p}}{\kappa} + \frac{2\bar{Q}C_{p}^{2}}{\kappa} \right) \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla v_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

From (4.15), we obtain the boundedness of  $b(\cdot, \cdot)$  as in (4.11).

To prove (4.12), we first note that

$$\begin{split} b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (u_{1}, u_{2})) &= \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1} \nabla u_{1} \cdot \nabla u_{1} \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2} \nabla u_{2} \cdot \nabla u_{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_{1} \cdot \nabla (u_{1} - u_{2}) u_{1} \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_{2} \cdot \nabla (u_{2} - u_{1}) u_{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} Q_{1}(u_{1} - u_{2}) u_{1} \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_{2}(u_{2} - u_{1}) u_{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} - \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \| u_{j} \|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &- \bar{Q} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left\| u_{i} \|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} - \frac{\bar{b}}{2\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left( \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| u_{j} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} - \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left( \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| u_{j} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} - \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right) \\ &- 2\bar{Q} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \\ &= \left( 1 - \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| \kappa_{i}^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} - \left( \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} + 2\bar{Q} \right) \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left\| u_{i} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} . \end{split}$$
(4.16)

Thus, we deduce that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) + K \sum_{i=1}^2 ||u_i||_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \ge \alpha \sum_{i=1}^2 \left\|\kappa_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_i\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2, \quad (4.17)$$

where  $K = \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} + 2\bar{Q}$  and  $1 - \frac{\bar{b}}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}} \ge \alpha > 0$  by Assumption 4.2.1. Hence, (4.12) holds.

The following assumption is made for later use.

**Assumption 4.2.2.** We assume that  $\alpha > \frac{KC_p}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}}$ , where  $C_p$ , K and  $\alpha$  are from the proof of Lemma 4.2.1.

We now present the main results of this section under Assumptions 4.2.1 and 4.2.2.

Lemma 4.2.2. Under Assumption 4.2.1 and 4.2.2, we have

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) \ge C_c ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a^2,$$
(4.18)

for some constant  $C_c > 0$ .

*Proof.* From (4.17) in the proof of Lemma 4.2.1 and the Poincaré inequality (4.14), we obtain

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) + \frac{K C_p}{\sqrt{\kappa}} \sum_{i=1}^2 \left\| \kappa_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_i \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \ge \alpha \sum_{i=1}^2 \left\| \kappa_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \nabla u_i \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2.$$
(4.19)

Then, it follows that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) \ge C_c ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a^2,$$
(4.20)

where 
$$C_c = \alpha - \frac{K C_p}{\sqrt{\kappa}} > 0$$
 by Assumption 4.2.2.

**Theorem 4.2.3.** Under Assumption 4.2.1 and 4.2.2, we have a unique solution of the problem (4.8) with respect to  $|| \cdot ||_a$ .

*Proof.* The theorem directly results from Lemmas 4.2.1, 4.2.2 and the Lax-Milgram Theorem.

Also for later use, note that under Assumption 4.2.1 and 4.2.2, the following assumptions are satisfied.

**Assumption 4.2.3.** There exist constants  $C_1$ ,  $C_2 > 0$  such that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le C_1 ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a ||\boldsymbol{v}||_a,$$
  

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) \ge C_2 ||\boldsymbol{u}||_a^2,$$
(4.21)

for all  $u = (u_1, u_2), v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$ .

**Theorem 4.2.4.** Under Assumption 4.2.1, the problem (4.5) has a unique solution.

*Proof.* We refer to [28, 31] and Lemma 4.2.1 for the proof.

#### 4.2.2 Fine-scale finite element discretization

We provide finite element approximation of the solutions to (4.8) and (4.5). Let  $V_h = V_h^1 \times V_h^2 = V_h \times V_h (\subset V)$ , a Cartesian product space, be the first-order Galerkin finite element basis space, with respect to the fine grid  $\mathcal{T}_h$ . That is, in this chapter,  $V_h^i = V_h$  is a conforming finite element space of each continuum i (for i = 1, 2) on  $\mathcal{T}_h$ .

We first consider the proposed static case (4.6), that is, solving the following problem for  $u_h = (u_{h,1}, u_{h,2}) (\in V_h)$ :

$$\int_{\Omega} \kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{h,1}(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{h,1}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{h,2}(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} Q_1(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{h,1}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{h,2}(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\Omega} f_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} , \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{h,2}(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{h,2}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{h,1}(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{h,2}(\boldsymbol{x}) - u_{h,1}(\boldsymbol{x})) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\Omega} f_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \phi_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} ,$$
(4.22)

for all  $(\phi_1, \phi_2) \in V_h$ .

**Lemma 4.2.5.** Assuming  $\boldsymbol{u} \in \boldsymbol{H}^2(\Omega)$ , we have

$$\inf_{\boldsymbol{v}\in\boldsymbol{V}_h}\|\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{v}\|_a\leq C_A(\bar{\kappa})h\,\|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{\boldsymbol{H}^2(\Omega)}\,,$$

where  $\bar{\kappa} \geq \kappa_i$  (as in Assumption 4.2.1 for i = 1, 2).

*Proof.* The proof is quite standard by the definition (4.9) of norm  $\|\cdot\|_a$  and the Bramble-Hilbert Lemma.

Let  $\langle \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)} := \int_{\Omega} u_1 v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} u_2 v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x$ , where  $\boldsymbol{u} = (u_1, u_2), \ \boldsymbol{v} = (v_1, v_2) \in \boldsymbol{V}$ . We consider the adjoint problem of (4.8) : Find  $\boldsymbol{w} \in \boldsymbol{V}$  that satisfies

$$b(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) = \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}, \quad \text{for all } \boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}.$$
(4.23)

**Theorem 4.2.6.** Assume that each of the problem (4.8) and its corresponding adjoint problem has a unique solution in V. We further assume that the solution  $w = (w_1, w_2) \in V$ of the above adjoint problem (4.23) satisfies

$$\|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{H}^{2}(\Omega)} \leq C_{R} \|\boldsymbol{f}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}, \qquad (4.24)$$

for all  $\mathbf{f} = (f_1, f_2) \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega)$ . Let  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{V}$  be the solution of (4.8). Then, there are positive constants  $h_0$  and C such that for all  $h \leq h_0$ , the problem (4.22) has a unique solution  $\mathbf{u}_h = (u_{h,1}, u_{h,2}) \in \mathbf{V}_h$  that satisfies

$$||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a \le C \inf_{\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}_h} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}||_a, \qquad (4.25)$$

where we may take  $C = 2C_b/\alpha$ , with  $C_b$  and  $\alpha$  from Lemma 4.2.1.

Proof. The Theorem is proved based on the procedure in [32]. From Lemma 4.2.1, we get

$$\alpha ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a^2 \le b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h, \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h) + K ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2, \qquad (4.26)$$

where K and  $\alpha$  are as in the proof of Lemma 4.2.1. From (4.22), for any  $v \in V_h$ , we

always have  $b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h, \boldsymbol{v}) = 0$ . Thus,

$$b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h, \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h) + K ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||^2_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}$$
  
=  $b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h, \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}) + K ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||^2_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}$   
 $\leq C_b ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}||_a + K ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||^2_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)},$  (4.27)

where the last inequality follows from (4.11). Let  $w \in V$  be the solution to the problem (4.23) with  $f = u - u_h$ , that is,  $b(v, w) = \langle u - u_h, v \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}$  for all  $v \in V$ . Then, for any  $w_h \in V_h$ , we obtain

$$\|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} = \langle \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}, \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h} \rangle_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)} = b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}, \boldsymbol{w}) = b(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{w}_{h})$$

$$\leq C_{b} \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{a} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{w}_{h}\|_{a}.$$
(4.28)

By Lemma 4.2.5 for  $||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{w}_h||_a$ , (4.28) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq C_b C_A h \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_a \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{\boldsymbol{H}^2(\Omega)} \\ &\leq C_b C_A C_R h \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_a \||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}, \end{aligned}$$
(4.29)

where the last inequality follows from assumption (4.24). Simplifying (4.29), we get

$$\|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)} \le C_b C_A C_R h \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_a.$$
(4.30)

From this inequality and (4.27), we derive from (4.26) that

$$\alpha ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a^2 \le C_b ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}||_a + K (C_b C_A C_R h)^2 ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a^2.$$
(4.31)

For  $h \leq h_0$ , where  $h_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\sqrt{2K}C_bC_AC_R}$ , we obtain

$$||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_h||_a \le \frac{2C_b}{\alpha} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}||_a, \qquad (4.32)$$

for all  $v \in V_h$ , and the desired result (4.25) follows. The proof of uniqueness of the solution to (4.22) is quite straightforward ([32]).

We now investigate the dynamic case, that is, the variational problem (4.5) of (4.4) for  $u_h = (u_{h,1}, u_{h,2}) \in V_h$ :

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11} \frac{\partial u_{h,1}}{\partial t} \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{h,1} \cdot \nabla \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{h,1} - u_{h,2}) \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_1(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{h,1} - u_{h,2}) \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_1 \phi_1 \, \mathrm{d}x , \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22} \frac{\partial u_{h,2}}{\partial t} \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{h,2} \cdot \nabla \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{h,2} - u_{h,1}) \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{h,2} - u_{h,1}) \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_2 \phi_2 \, \mathrm{d}x ,$$
(4.33)

for all  $(\phi_1, \phi_2) \in V_h$  and a.e.  $t \in (0, T)$ . We define the following bilinear forms in  $V \times V$ :

$$c((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} C_{11} u_1 v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} C_{22} u_2 v_2 \, dx ,$$
  

$$a((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1 \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2 \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla v_2 \, dx .$$
(4.34)

Let us hence define the norms  $||\boldsymbol{u}||_c^2 = c(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) = \langle \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u} \rangle_c$  and  $||\boldsymbol{u}||_a^2 = a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) = \langle \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u} \rangle_a$ .

Lemma 4.2.7. Under Assumption 4.2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}||_{a}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq C \inf_{\boldsymbol{w}\in\boldsymbol{V}_{h}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.35)$$

where u and  $u_h$  satisfy (4.5) and (4.33), respectively.

*Proof.* The proof is based on [15, 6]. From the systems (4.5), (4.33), c as in (4.34) and b as in (4.10), we get

$$c\left(\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}_h)}{\partial t},\boldsymbol{v}\right)+b(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}_h,\boldsymbol{v})=0, \qquad (4.36)$$

for all  $v \in V_h$ .

Given  $w \in V_h$ , let  $v = w - u_h \in V_h$ . For the constants  $C_1, C_2 > 0$  in Assumption 4.2.3, from (4.36), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_c^2 + C_2 || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_a^2$$

$$= c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h)}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \right) + C_2 || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_a^2$$

$$\leq c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h)}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \right) + b (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h)$$

$$= c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \right) + b (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h)$$

$$\leq \left| c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \right) \right| + C_1 || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u} ||_a || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_a$$

$$\leq \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_c || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_c + C_1 || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u} ||_a || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h ||_a,$$

where the last inequality follows from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

Applying Young's inequality for the right hand side of the last inequality of (4.37), we

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{c}^{2} + C_{2} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{a}^{2} 
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{c}^{2} + \frac{C_{1}^{2}}{3C_{2}} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a}^{2} + \frac{3C_{2}}{4} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{a}^{2}.$$
(4.38)

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_c^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_c^2 + \frac{C_2}{4} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h\|_a^2 
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_c^2 + \frac{C_1^2}{3C_2} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_a^2.$$
(4.39)

Multiplying both sides of (4.39) by multiplicative integrating factor  $e^{\int (-1) dt} = e^{-t}$ , we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{d}{dt} \| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \|_c^2 \right) e^{-t} - e^{-t} \| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \|_c^2 \right) + e^{-t} \frac{C_2}{4} \| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_h \|_a^2 
\leq e^{-t} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_c^2 + \frac{C_1^2}{3C_2} \| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u} \|_a^2 \right).$$
(4.40)

Taking  $\int_0^T \cdot dt$  both sides of (4.40), we get

$$\frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} e^{-T} + \int_{0}^{T} e^{-t} \frac{C_{2}}{4} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}||_{a}^{2} dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} e^{-t} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} + \frac{C_{1}^{2}}{3C_{2}} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{a}^{2}\right) dt.$$
(4.41)

get

Note that  $e^{-T} \leq e^{-t} \leq 1, \; \forall t \in [0,T].$  Let

$$M = \frac{\max\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{C_1^2}{3C_2}\right\}}{\min\left\{\frac{e^{-T}}{2}, \frac{e^{-T}C_2}{4}\right\}}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)\|_{c}^{2} &+ \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{a}^{2} \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq M \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + \|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,0)\|_{c}^{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$
(4.42)

We define the initial value  $\boldsymbol{u}_h(\cdot, 0)$  such that  $c(\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0), \boldsymbol{v}) = c(\boldsymbol{u}_h(\cdot, 0), \boldsymbol{v})$ , so  $||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0) - \boldsymbol{u}_h(\cdot, 0)||_c = 0$  for all  $\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}$ . By triangle inequality, we thus have

$$||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_h(\cdot,0)||_c \le ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_c.$$
(4.43)

From (4.42) and (4.43), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}||_{a}^{2} dt \\ &\leq 2(||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}||_{a}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{a}^{2} dt) \\ &\leq 2M \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt + 2M \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{a}^{2} dt + 2||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} \\ &+ 2 \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{a}^{2} dt + 2M ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2}. \end{aligned}$$
(4.44)

To simplify the above inequality, we note that

$$\left\|\int_{0}^{T} \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \,\mathrm{d}t\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq T \int_{0}^{T} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t \,. \tag{4.45}$$

Indeed, let

$$\boldsymbol{z} = \boldsymbol{z}(\cdot) = (\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot, T) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, T)) - (\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot, 0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0)) = \int_0^T \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \,\mathrm{d}t \,. \quad (4.46)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c}^{2} &= \langle \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle_{c} = \left\langle \boldsymbol{z}, \int_{0}^{T} \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \, \mathrm{d}t \right\rangle_{c} = \int_{0}^{T} \left\langle \boldsymbol{z}, \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\rangle_{c} \, \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c} \, \mathrm{d}t = \|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c} \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c} \, \mathrm{d}t \, .\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c} \leq \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c} \mathrm{d}t \,. \tag{4.47}$$

Now, by Hölder's inequality for the right hand side of (4.47), we get

$$\|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c}^{2} \leq \left(\int_{0}^{T} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c} \cdot 1 \,\mathrm{d}t\right)^{2} \leq T\left(\int_{0}^{T} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t\right),$$

which is (4.45).

Therefore, from (4.46), we get

$$\begin{aligned} ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} &= \|\boldsymbol{z} + (\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0))\|_{c}^{2} \\ &\leq 2\|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{c}^{2} + 2||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2} \\ &\leq 2T \int_{0}^{T} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + 2||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Finally, there exists C > 0 such that (4.44) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \|\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}(\cdot,T)\|_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{h}\|_{a}^{2} dt \\ \leq C \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a}^{2} dt + \|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)\|_{c}^{2} \right), \end{aligned}$$
(4.48)

and (4.35) follows.

Let us define additional bilinear forms before proceeding to the next section. For  $u = (u_1, u_2) \in V$ , using notation from (4.7), the problem (4.5) can be written as

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1 \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_s \cdot \nabla (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_a \cdot \nabla (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_s (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_a (u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_1 v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x , \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2 \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_s \cdot \nabla (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x - \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_a \cdot \nabla (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} Q_s (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x - \int_{\Omega} Q_a (u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_2 v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x .$$
(4.49)

Also, we define the following bilinear forms in  $V \times V$ :

$$\beta((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_1 \cdot \nabla(u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{b}_2 \cdot \nabla(u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx ,$$

$$q((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} Q_1(u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx ,$$

$$q_s((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} Q_s(u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} Q_s(u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx ,$$

$$q_a((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = \int_{\Omega} Q_a(u_1 - u_2) v_1 \, dx - \int_{\Omega} Q_a(u_2 - u_1) v_2 \, dx ,$$

$$a_{Q_s}((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = a((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) + q_s((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) ,$$

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) = a((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) + \beta((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) + q((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) .$$
(4.50)

Here,

$$a_{i}^{(j)}(u_{i}, v_{i}) = \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \nabla u_{i} \cdot \nabla v_{i} \, \mathrm{d}x \,,$$

$$a^{(j)}((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) = a_{1}^{(j)}(u_{1}, v_{1}) + a_{2}^{(j)}(u_{2}, v_{2}) \,,$$

$$a_{Q_{s}}^{(j)}((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) = a^{(j)}((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) + q_{s}^{(j)}((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})),$$
(4.51)

where  $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 \in H_0^1(\omega_j) = V(\omega_j)$ . Note that  $q_s(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) = q_s(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{u})$ . We define the norm  $||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_s}} = a_{Q_s}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u})$ .

#### 4.3 Overview of the GMsFEM

We refer the readers to [13] for the details of the GMsFEM, and [33, 6] for a brief overview of the GMsFEM. Broadly speaking, solving Eq. (4.6) on a fine grid using the standard FEM method is very expensive (due to heterogeneous coefficients). If we use coarse grid with the FEM, the solution is not accurate because of the loss of some important local information. Thus, we utilize the GMsFEM, where local problems are solved in each coarse neighborhood, to systematically construct multiscale basis functions containing local heterogenity information. More specifically, by first solving local snapshot and local eigenvalue problems, we then deduce a so-called multiscale space as global offline space  $V_{ms}$  (consisting of multiscale basis functions). Hence, for all  $v = (v_1, v_2) \in V_{ms}$ , the GMsFEM solution  $u_{ms} = (u_{ms,1}, u_{ms,2}) (\in V_{ms})$  is defined via the following system:

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11} \frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{ms},1}}{\partial t} v_1 \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{\mathrm{ms},1} \cdot \nabla v_1 \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{\mathrm{ms},1} - u_{\mathrm{ms},2}) v_1 \,\mathrm{d}x \\ + \int_{\Omega} Q_1(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{\mathrm{ms},1} - u_{\mathrm{ms},2}) v_1 \,\mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_1 v_1 \,\mathrm{d}x \,, \\ \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22} \frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{ms},2}}{\partial t} v_2 \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \nabla u_{\mathrm{ms},2} \cdot \nabla v_2 \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla (u_{\mathrm{ms},2} - u_{\mathrm{ms},1}) v_2 \,\mathrm{d}x \\ + \int_{\Omega} Q_2(\boldsymbol{x}) (u_{\mathrm{ms},2} - u_{\mathrm{ms},1}) v_2 \,\mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} f_2 v_2 \,\mathrm{d}x \,.$$

$$(4.52)$$

#### 4.3.1 Coarse and fine grids

First, let  $\mathcal{T}^H$  be a coarse grid, with grid size H. In  $\mathcal{T}^H$ , each coarse block can be denoted by  $K_i$ . A refinement of  $\mathcal{T}^H$  is called a fine grid  $\mathcal{T}_h$ , with grid size  $h \ll H$ . We denote by N the total number of coarse blocks, and  $N_v$  the total number of interior vertices of  $\mathcal{T}^H$ . Let  $\{\boldsymbol{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$  be the set of all vertices in  $\mathcal{T}^H$ . The *j*th coarse neighborhood is defined by

$$\omega_j = \bigcup \{ K_i \in \mathcal{T}^H : \boldsymbol{x}_j \in \overline{K_i} \}.$$
(4.53)

Next, we will present the definitions of the uncoupled multiscale basis functions (uncoupled GMsFEM) and the coupled multiscale basis functions (coupled GMsFEM). For each case, based on the above general procedure, we first generate a local snapshot space for each coarse neighborhood  $\omega_j$ , then solve an appropriate local spectral problem defined on the snapshot space, to establish a multiscale (offline) space. There are several choices of snapshot spaces (see [13, 33], for instance). In this work, for each case, its snapshot space is a set of **harmonic basis functions** (to be specified in the next subsections), which are solutions for the corresponding harmonic extension problem. Note that the snapshot functions and the basis functions are time-independent.

#### 4.3.2 Uncoupled GMsFEM

As in [33], let  $V_h^i(\omega_j) = V_h(\omega_j)$  be a fine-scale FEM space, which is the restriction in  $\omega_j$  the conforming space  $V_h^i = V_h$  (introduced in Section 4.2.2), for the *i*th continuum (i = 1, 2). Let  $J_h(\omega_j)$  be the set of all nodes of the fine grid  $\mathcal{T}_h$  belonging to  $\partial \omega_j$ . We denote by  $J_j$  the cardinality of  $J_h(\omega_j)$ .

For the case of uncoupled GMsFEM, multiscale basis functions will be established for each *i*th continuum separately, by taking into account only the permeability  $\kappa_i$  and neglecting the transfer functions.

More specifically, on each coarse neighborhood  $\omega_j$ , for each *i*th continuum, we first find the *k*th snapshot function  $\phi_{k,i}^{(j),\text{snap}} \in V_h(\omega_j)$  such that

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_i \nabla \phi_{k,i}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}}) = 0 \quad \text{in } \omega_j,$$
  
$$\phi_{k,i}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}} = \delta_{k,i} \quad \text{on } \partial \omega_j,$$
  
$$(4.54)$$

where  $\delta_{k,i}$  is a discrete delta function such that

$$\delta_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x}_l^j) = \begin{cases} 1 & l = k, \\ 0 & l \neq k, \end{cases}$$

for all  $x_l^j$  in  $J_h(\omega_j)$ ,  $1 \le k \le J_j$ . The solutions of this problem (4.54) are called harmonic basis functions. Then, the local snapshot space on  $\omega_j$  for the *i*th continuum is defined as

$$V_{\operatorname{snap}}^{i}(\omega_{j}) = \operatorname{span}\{\phi_{k,i}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}} \mid 1 \le k \le J_{j}\}, \qquad (4.55)$$

where  $J_j$  is the cardinality of  $J_h(\omega_j)$  as above.

To construct local multiscale basis functions on  $\omega_j$  corresponding to the *i*th continuum (i = 1, 2), we now solve local spectral problems: Find the eigenfunctions  ${}^{(j)}_{k,i} \in V^i_{\text{snap}}(\omega_j)$  and eigenvalues  $\lambda_{k,i}^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$a_i^{(j)}(\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}, v_i) = \lambda_{k,i}^{(j)} s_i^{(j)}(\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}, v_i) , \qquad (4.56)$$

for all  $v_i$  in  $V_{\text{snap}}^i(\omega_j)$ , where  $s_i^{(j)}$  is defined as follows ([33, 6]):

$$s_i^{(j)}(u_i, v_i) = \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^2 \right) u_i v_i \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \tag{4.57}$$

where each  $\chi_{j,i}$  is a standard multiscale finite element basis function for the coarse node  $x_j$  (that is, with linear boundary conditions for cell problems) in the *i*th continuum, and  $\{\chi_{j,i}\}_{j=1}^{N_v}$  is a set of partition of unity functions (for coarse grid) supported in the intersection of  $\omega_j$  and the *i*th continuum. More specifically, based on [34],

$$-\operatorname{div}(\kappa_i \nabla \chi_{j,i}) = 0 \text{ in } K \in \omega_j,$$
  

$$\chi_{j,i} = \chi_{j,i}^0 \text{ on } \partial K, \quad \forall K \in \omega_j,$$
(4.58)

where each  $\chi_{j,i}^0$  is a standard linear (and continuous) partition of unity function, and note that  $\chi_{j,i}^0 = 0$  on  $\partial \omega_j$ .

After sorting the eigenvalues  $\lambda_{k,i}^{(j)}$  (for  $k = 1, 2, \cdots$ ) from (4.56) in ascending order, we choose the first corresponding  $L_j$  eigenfunctions from (4.56), and still denote them by  ${}^{(j)}_{1,i}, \cdots, \psi_{L_j,i}^{(j)}$ . At the last step, the *k*th multiscale basis function for the *i*th continuum on the coarse neighborhood  $\omega_j$  is defined by

$$_{k,i}^{(j),\rm ms} = \chi_{j,i}\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}, \qquad (4.59)$$
where  $1 \le k \le L_j$ , and  $\{\chi_{j,i}\}_{j=1}^{N_v}$  is from (4.58).

We define the local auxiliary offline multiscale space  $V_{ms}^i(\omega_j)$  for the coarse neighborhood  $\omega_j$  corresponding to the *i*th continuum, using the first  $L_j$  multiscale basis functions as follows:

$$V_{\rm ms}^i(\omega_j) = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} {}^{(j),{\rm ms}}_{k,i} \mid 1 \le k \le L_j \right\} \,. \tag{4.60}$$

Then, the global offline space for the *i*th continuum is

$$V_{\rm ms}^i = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} V_{\rm ms}^i(\omega_j) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{array}{c} {}^{(j),{\rm ms}}_{k,i} \mid 1 \le j \le N_v \,, 1 \le k \le L_j \right\}$$

The multiscale space  $V_{\rm ms}$  can be taken as the global offline space:  $V_{\rm ms} = V_{\rm ms}^1 \times V_{\rm ms}^2$ .

# 4.3.3 Coupled GMsFEM

In the coupled GMsFEM, the multiscale basis functions will be created by first solving a coupled problem for snapshot space, then applying a spectral decomposition.

Note that for the case of coupled GMsFEM, the interaction terms  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  from (4.5) will be taken into account. For eigenvalue problem, the operator should be symmetric. Therefore, we wish to only consider the dominant symmetric part  $Q_s$  (of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ ) and ignore  $Q_a$  from (4.49), which is equivalent to (4.5). In order to do so, we will utilize Assumption 4.2.1 (that is,  $|\mathbf{b}_s| \gg |\mathbf{b}_a|$  and  $|Q_s| \gg |Q_a|$ ) and Lemma 4.4.8 in Section 4.4.

More specifically, we find the snapshot functions  $\phi_{k,r}^{(j),\text{snap}} = \left(\phi_{k,1,r}^{(j),\text{snap}}, \phi_{k,2,r}^{(j),\text{snap}}\right)$  in  $V_h(\omega_j) = V_h(\omega_j) \times V_h(\omega_j)$  (the spaces are from Subsections 4.2.2 and 4.3.2) such that

$$-\operatorname{div}\left(\kappa_{1}\nabla\phi_{k,1,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}}\right) + Q_{s}\left(\phi_{k,1,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}} - \phi_{k,2,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}}\right) = 0 \quad \operatorname{in} \omega_{j},$$
  
$$-\operatorname{div}\left(\kappa_{2}\nabla\phi_{k,2,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}}\right) + Q_{s}\left(\phi_{k,2,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}} - \phi_{k,1,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}}\right) = 0 \quad \operatorname{in} \omega_{j},$$
  
$$\phi_{k,r}^{(j),\operatorname{snap}} = \boldsymbol{\delta}_{k,r} \quad \operatorname{on} \partial\omega_{j},$$
  
$$(4.61)$$

where each  $\delta_{k,r}$  is defined as

$$\boldsymbol{\delta}_{k,r}(\boldsymbol{x}_l) = \delta_k(\boldsymbol{x}_l)\boldsymbol{e}_r, \quad r = 1, 2, \qquad (4.62)$$

in which  $\{e_r | r = 1, 2\}$  is a standard basis in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $1 \le k \le J_j$ . The solutions of this problem (4.61) are called harmonic basis functions. Then, the local snapshot space is defined as

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{\text{snap}}(\omega_j) = \text{span}\left\{\boldsymbol{\phi}_{k,r}^{(j),\text{snap}} \mid 1 \le k \le J_j, \ 1 \le r \le 2\right\}.$$
(4.63)

Next, local eigenvalue problems are solved, to construct local multiscale basis functions. That is, we find the eigenfunctions  $\psi_k^{(j)} = \begin{pmatrix} (j) \\ k,1 \end{pmatrix} \psi_{k,2}^{(j)} \in V_{\text{snap}}(\omega_j)$  and eigenvalues  $\lambda_k^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$a_{Q_s}^{(j)}\left(\boldsymbol{\psi}_k^{(j)}, \boldsymbol{v}\right) = \lambda_k^{(j)} s^{(j)}\left(\boldsymbol{\psi}_k^{(j)}, \boldsymbol{v}\right), \qquad (4.64)$$

for all  $\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}_{snap}(\omega_j)$ , where  $s^{(j)}$  is defined as follows ([33, 6]):

$$s^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} s_{i}^{(j)}(u_{i}, v_{i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^{2} \right) u_{i} v_{i} \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \tag{4.65}$$

in which  ${\chi_{j,i}}_{j=1}^{N_v}$  is from (4.58).

After arranging the eigenvalues  $\lambda_k^{(j)}$  (for  $k = 1, 2, \cdots$ ) from (4.64) in ascending order, we take the first corresponding  $L_j$  eigenfunctions from (4.64), and still denote them by  $\psi_1^{(j)}, \cdots, \psi_{L_j}^{(j)}$ . At the final step, we define the *k*th multiscale basis functions for the coarse region  $\omega_j$  by

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}_{k}^{(j),\text{ms}} = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{j,1} & {}^{(j)}_{k,1}, \chi_{j,2} & {}^{(j)}_{k,2} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{4.66}$$

where  $1 \le k \le L_j$ , and  $\{\chi_{j,i}\}_{j=1}^{N_v}$  is from (4.58).

The local auxiliary offline multiscale space  $V_{
m ms}(\omega_j)$  is defined by using the first  $L_j$ 

multiscale basis functions as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{\rm ms}(\omega_j) = \operatorname{span}\left\{\boldsymbol{\psi}_k^{(j),{\rm ms}} \,\middle|\, 1 \le k \le L_j\right\}\,. \tag{4.67}$$

Then, the multiscale space  $V_{\rm ms}$  can be taken as the global offline space:

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{\mathrm{ms}} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \boldsymbol{V}_{\mathrm{ms}}(\omega_j) = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \boldsymbol{\psi}_k^{(j),\mathrm{ms}} \, \big| \, 1 \le j \le N_v \,, 1 \le k \le L_j \right\} \,.$$

## 4.4 Convergence Analysis (GMsFEM)

In this section, we show convergence analysis for both uncoupled and coupled GMs-FEM. First, best (a-priori) error estimate is provided, for our semi-discrete problem. We will compare the difference between the reference weak solution  $u \in V$  defined in (4.5) and the multiscale solution  $u_{ms} \in V_{ms}$  defined in (4.52), by using the projection error of uonto  $V_{ms}$  in various norms.

**Lemma 4.4.1.** Under Assumption 4.2.3, for u and  $u_{ms}$  defined in (4.5) and (4.52), respectively, where  $V_{ms}$  is constructed via the uncoupled GMsFEM, we have the following result:

$$\begin{aligned} ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}||_{a}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq C \inf_{\boldsymbol{w}\in\boldsymbol{V}_{\mathrm{ms}}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}t + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.68)$$

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Lemma 4.2.7.  $\Box$ 

In the spirit of this Lemma, based on [6], to complete the convergence proof for our proposed approach, we will find an appropriate function w in the multiscale space  $V_{ms}$ ,

then estimate the error w - u (the so-called projection error of u onto  $V_{\rm ms}$ ) in various norms on the right hand side of (4.68). More specifically, we will define an approximation  $u_{\rm snap} \in V_{\rm snap}$  (called snapshot projection) of u in the snapshot space (which is the set of all snapshot functions). We can express  $w - u = w - u_{\rm snap} + u_{\rm snap} - u$ , where the last term  $u_{\rm snap} - u$  corresponds to an irreducible error of our method, and can be assumed to be very small by utilizing a large enough collection of snapshot functions. It hence suffices to only estimate  $w - u_{\rm snap}$  by choosing a suitable function  $w \in V_{\rm ms}$ .

We will define  $w \in V_{\rm ms}$  as the projection of  $u_{\rm snap}$  onto the multiscale space  $V_{\rm ms}$ . In particular, first, in the case of uncoupled GMsFEM, the snapshot projection  $u_{\rm snap}$  (in  $V_{\rm snap}$ ) of u can be represented by the set of  ${}^{(j)}_{k,i}(x)$  from (4.56) as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = (u_{\text{snap},1}, u_{\text{snap},2}), \quad u_{\text{snap},i} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_k d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\chi_{j,i}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,. \tag{4.69}$$

We define the local component of  $u_{\operatorname{snap},i}^{(j)}$  by

$$u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = \sum_{k} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,, \quad \text{with } u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}|_{\partial\omega_{j}} = u_{i}|_{\partial\omega_{j}} \,. \tag{4.70}$$

Then, the projection w of  $u_{\text{snap}}$  in the multiscale space  $V_{\text{ms}}$  is defined as

$$\boldsymbol{w}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = (w_1, w_2), \quad w_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_{k=1}^{L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \, \psi_{k,i}^{(j),\text{ms}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_{k=1}^{L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \, \chi_{j,i}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,,$$
(4.71)

where the collection of local multiscale basis functions  $\left\{\psi_{k,i}^{(j),\text{ms}}(\boldsymbol{x}) \mid 1 \leq k \leq L_j\right\}$  is from (4.59).

Second, in the case of coupled GMsFEM, the snapshot projection  $u_{\text{snap}}$  (in  $V_{\text{snap}}$ ) of u

can be represented by the set of  $\psi_k^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} (j) \\ k,1 \end{pmatrix}$  from (4.64) as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = (u_{\text{snap},1}, u_{\text{snap},2}), \quad u_{\text{snap},i} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_k d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\chi_{j,i}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}). \tag{4.72}$$

We define the local component of  $u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}$  by

$$u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = \sum_{k} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,, \quad \text{with } u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}|_{\partial\omega_{j}} = u_{i}|_{\partial\omega_{j}} \,. \tag{4.73}$$

Then, the projection w of  $u_{
m snap}$  in the multiscale space  $V_{
m ms}$  is defined as

$$\boldsymbol{w}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = (w_1, w_2), \quad w_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_{k=1}^{L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j),\mathrm{ms}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} \sum_{k=1}^{L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\chi_{j,i}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,,$$
(4.74)

where the collection of local multiscale basis functions  $\left\{ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{k}^{(j),\text{ms}}(\boldsymbol{x}) \mid 1 \leq k \leq L_{j} \right\}$  is from (4.66).

Now, we present the main results of this section.

# 4.4.1 Uncoupled GMsFEM

Convergence analysis is presented for the uncoupled GMsFEM. We will compare the difference between the reference weak solution u defined in (4.5) and the multiscale solution  $u_{ms}$  defined in (4.52) from the uncoupled GMsFEM.

Lemma 4.4.2. For the uncoupled GMsFEM, if u in (4.5) satisfies

$$\int_{\omega_j} \kappa_1 \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_2 \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\omega_j} f_1 v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega_j} f_2 v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \qquad (4.75)$$

for all  $\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}(\omega_j)$ , then we have

$$\int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{1} \chi_{j,1}^{2} |\nabla u_{1}|^{2} dx + \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{2} \chi_{j,2}^{2} |\nabla u_{2}|^{2} dx 
\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( \int_{\omega_{j}} \frac{\chi_{j,i}^{4}}{\kappa_{i} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^{2}} f_{i}^{2} dx + \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^{2} u_{i}^{2} dx \right).$$
(4.76)

*Proof.* We base on [6] for the proof. Take  $v_i = (\chi^2_{j,i})u_i$  (for i = 1, 2), we obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i(\nabla u_i) \cdot \nabla(\chi_{j,i}^2 u_i) \,\mathrm{d}x = \sum_{i=1}^2 \int_{\omega_j} f_i(\chi_{j,i}^2) u_i \,\mathrm{d}x \,.$$

This leads to

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \chi_{j,i}^{2} |\nabla u_{i}|^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} f_{i} \frac{\chi_{j,i}^{2}}{(\nabla \chi_{j,i})\sqrt{\kappa_{i}}} \sqrt{\kappa_{i}} u_{i} \nabla \chi_{j,i} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &- 2 \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i}(\chi_{j,i}) (\nabla u_{i}) \cdot (\nabla \chi_{j,i}) u_{i} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} f_{i}^{2} \frac{\chi_{j,i}^{4}}{|\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^{2} \kappa_{i}} \, \mathrm{d}x + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} (u_{i} \nabla \chi_{j,i})^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &+ \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \chi_{j,i}^{2} |\nabla u_{i}|^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} (u_{i} \nabla \chi_{j,i})^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \, , \end{split}$$

where the last inequality follows from Young's inequality. Let  $\epsilon = 1/2$ , and move the third term on the right hand side to the left hand side of the above inequality. Then, for some constant C > 0, the desired inequality (4.76) holds.

We finally have the following error estimate.

**Theorem 4.4.3.** Let u be the solution of (4.5),  $u_{snap}$  and w be defined in (4.69) and (4.71),

respectively. Then, we obtain the following result:

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}||_{a}^{2} dt + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot, 0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\cdot, 0)||_{c}^{2} \\
\leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{1}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} \right\|_{a}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a}^{2} dt + ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0)||_{a}^{2} \right),$$
(4.77)

where  $\Lambda_1 = \min_{j,i} \{\lambda_{L_j+1,i}^{(j)}\}.$ 

*Proof.* We base on [6, 15] for the proof of this Theorem. That is, our proof follows from Lemmas 4.4.11, 4.4.12 and 4.4.13 at the end of this section.

## 4.4.2 Coupled GMsFEM

Convergence analysis is provided for the coupled GMsFEM. We will compare the difference between the reference weak solution u defined in (4.5) and the multiscale solution  $u_{\rm ms}$  defined in (4.52) from the coupled GMsFEM.

We will utilize the notation from (4.50) and (4.51). Assume that there is some positive constant  $\overline{Q_s}$  such that  $|Q_s| \leq \overline{Q_s}$ . Then, it is easy to show that

$$\left(1 - \frac{2\overline{Q_s}C_p^2}{\underline{\kappa}}\right)a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) \le a_{Q_s}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) \le \left(1 + \frac{2\overline{Q_s}C_p^2}{\underline{\kappa}}\right)a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}), \quad (4.78)$$

where  $C_p(\Omega)$  is from (4.14). We now have the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.4.4.** Assume  $\left(1 - \frac{2\overline{Q_s}C_p^2}{\underline{\kappa}}\right) > 0$ . Then, there exist constants  $m_1, m_2 > 0$  such that

$$m_1 a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) \le a_{Q_s}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) \le m_2 a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}).$$
(4.79)

Throughout this section, we always assume that  $\left(1 - \frac{2\overline{Q_s}C_p^2}{\underline{\kappa}}\right) > 0$  holds. Recall that  $a_{Q_s}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) = a_{Q_s}(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{u}).$ 

**Lemma 4.4.5.** Let K,  $\alpha$  and  $C_b$  be defined as in Lemma 4.2.1 and its proof.

$$b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2})) \leq C_{b} \left(1 - \frac{2\overline{Q_{s}}C_{p}^{2}}{\underline{\kappa}}\right)^{-1} ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_{s}}} ||\boldsymbol{v}||_{a_{Q_{s}}},$$
  
$$b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (u_{1}, u_{2})) + K||\boldsymbol{u}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \geq \alpha \left(1 + \frac{2\overline{Q_{s}}C_{p}^{2}}{\underline{\kappa}}\right)^{-1} ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2},$$
  
(4.80)

for all  $(u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2) \in V$ .

*Proof.* The result follows from Lemma 4.2.1 and (4.78).

The following assumption is for later theorem.

**Assumption 4.4.1.** We assume that  $\alpha \left(1 + \frac{2\overline{Q_s}C_p^2}{\underline{\kappa}}\right)^{-1} > \frac{KC_p}{\sqrt{\underline{\kappa}}}$  where K,  $\alpha$  and  $C_p$  are from the proof of Lemma 4.2.1.

**Theorem 4.4.6.** Under Assumptions 4.2.1 and 4.4.1, we have a unique solution of the problem (4.8) with respect to  $|| \cdot ||_{a_{Q_s}}$ .

*Proof.* The result follows from Lemma 4.4.5, the Poincaré inequality and the Lax-Milgram Theorem.

Under Assumptions 4.2.1 and 4.4.1, the following assumptions are satisfied.

**Assumption 4.4.2.** There exists constants  $D_1$ ,  $D_2 > 0$  such that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le D_1 ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_s}} ||\boldsymbol{v}||_{a_{Q_s}},$$
  

$$b((v_1, v_2), (v_1, v_2)) \ge D_2 ||\boldsymbol{v}||_{a_{Q_s}}^2,$$
(4.81)

for all  $u = (u_1, u_2), v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$ .

**Lemma 4.4.7.** Under Assumption 4.4.2, in the coupled GMsFEM, for u and  $u_{ms}$  respectively defined in (4.5) and (4.52), we have the following result:

$$\|\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}(\cdot,T)\|_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \mathrm{d}t$$

$$\leq C \inf_{\boldsymbol{w}\in\boldsymbol{V}_{\mathrm{ms}}} \left(\int_{0}^{T} \left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2}\right).$$
(4.82)

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Lemma 4.2.7.

We hence obtain the following convergence result, under weaker condition on the bilinear form *b*.

**Lemma 4.4.8.** Assume that there exist positive constants  $\overline{Q_a}$ ,  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  such that  $|Q_a| \leq \overline{Q_a}$  and

$$D_2 ||\boldsymbol{v}||_{a_{Q_s}}^2 \le b((v_1, v_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le D_1 ||\boldsymbol{v}||_{a_{Q_s}}^2,$$
(4.83)

for all  $v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$ . For u and  $u_{ms}$  respectively defined in (4.5) and (4.52) from the coupled GMsFEM, the following result holds:

$$\begin{aligned} ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,T) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}(\cdot,T)||_{c}^{2} + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq C \inf_{\boldsymbol{w}\in\boldsymbol{V}_{\mathrm{ms}}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \mathrm{d}t \\ &+ \bar{b} \int_{0}^{T} ||\nabla \boldsymbol{w} - \nabla \boldsymbol{u}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \mathrm{d}t \\ &+ \overline{Q_{a}} \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \mathrm{d}t + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}(\cdot,0)||_{c}^{2} \right), \end{aligned}$$
(4.84)

where  $\overline{b}$  is from Assumption 4.2.1.

Note that the constant C in this Lemma can be different from the one in Lemma 4.4.7.

*Proof.* Recall that for all  $\boldsymbol{v} = (v_1, v_2) \in \boldsymbol{V}_{ms}$ , from (4.5) and (4.52), we have

$$c\left(\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms})}{\partial t},\boldsymbol{v}\right)+b(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms},\boldsymbol{v})=0.$$
(4.85)

Given  $w \in V_{ms}$ , we let  $v = w - u_{ms} \in V_{ms}$ . Using notation from (4.50), and Young's inequality, we note that

$$\beta(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms}) = \beta((w_1 - u_1, w_2 - u_2), (w_1 - u_{\rm ms,1}, w_2 - u_{\rm ms,2}))$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_1 \cdot \nabla((w_1 - u_1) - (w_2 - u_2))(w_1 - u_{\rm ms,1}) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

$$+ \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{b}_2 \cdot \nabla((w_2 - u_2) - (w_1 - u_1))(w_2 - u_{\rm ms,2}) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{c_1} \bar{b} ||\nabla \boldsymbol{w} - \nabla \boldsymbol{u}||_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{c_1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms}||_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2, \qquad (4.86)$$

for some  $c_1 > 0$ . Also,

$$q_{a}(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}) \leq \frac{1}{d_{1}}\overline{Q_{a}} ||\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}||_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{d_{1}}{2}||\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{ms}}||_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}, \qquad (4.87)$$

for some  $d_1 > 0$ . Hence, for  $D_2$  from (4.83), utilizing (4.85), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} ||_{c}^{2} + D_{2} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} ||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \\ &= c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right) + D_{2} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} ||_{a_{Q_{s}}} \\ &\leq c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right) + b(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &= c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right) + a(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) + \beta(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &+ q(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &= c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right) + a_{Q_{s}}(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) + \beta(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &+ q_{a}(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &\leq \left| c \left( \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right) \right| + \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} + \beta(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &+ q_{a}(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms} \right\|_{c} + \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} \\ &+ q_{a}(\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}) \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}\|_{c} + \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}} \\ &+ \frac{1}{c_{1}} \bar{b} ||\nabla \boldsymbol{w} - \nabla \boldsymbol{u}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{c_{1}}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{d_{1}} \overline{Q_{a}} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{d_{1}}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} , \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.88)$$

where the last inequality follows from (4.86) and (4.87).

From the Poincaré inequality (4.14), there exists  $C_p, D > 0$  such that

 $\|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq C_{p}^{2} \|\nabla \boldsymbol{z}\|_{\boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq D \|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2}, \forall \boldsymbol{z} \in \boldsymbol{V} \subset \boldsymbol{L}^{2}(\Omega).$  Thus, in the last inequality of (4.88),

$$\frac{c_1 + d_1}{2} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms} ||_{\boldsymbol{L}^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \frac{D(c_1 + d_1)}{2} || \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\rm ms} ||_{a_{Q_s}}^2.$$

We define the initial value  $\boldsymbol{u}_{ms}(\cdot, 0)$  such that  $c(\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0), \boldsymbol{v}) = c(\boldsymbol{u}_{ms}(\cdot, 0), \boldsymbol{v})$ , so  $||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{ms}(\cdot, 0)||_c = 0$  for all  $\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}$ . Then, the rest of the proof is similar to that of Lemma 4.2.7.

Lemma 4.4.9. For the coupled GMsFEM, if u from (4.5) satisfies

$$\int_{\omega_j} \kappa_1 \nabla u_1 \cdot \nabla v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_2 \nabla u_2 \cdot \nabla v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x + q_s(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) = \int_{\omega_j} f_1 v_1 \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\omega_j} f_2 v_2 \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \quad (4.89)$$

for all  $\boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V}(\omega_j)$ , we have

$$\int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{1} \chi_{j}^{2} |\nabla u_{1}|^{2} \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{2} \chi_{j}^{2} |\nabla u_{2}|^{2} \,\mathrm{d}x + q_{s}((u_{1}, u_{2}), (\chi_{j,1}^{2} u_{1}, \chi_{j,2}^{2} u_{2})) \\
\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( \int_{\omega_{j}} \frac{\chi_{j}^{4}}{\kappa_{i} |\nabla \chi_{j}|^{2}} f_{i}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} |\nabla \chi_{j}|^{2} u_{i}^{2} \,\mathrm{d}x \right).$$
(4.90)

*Proof.* The proof of this Lemma readily follows from that of Lemma 4.4.2 and thanks to [6].

**Theorem 4.4.10.** Let u be the solution of (4.5),  $u_{snap}$  and w be defined in (4.72) and (4.74), respectively. Then, we have the following estimate:

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} dt + ||\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot, 0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\cdot, 0)||_{c}^{2} \\
\leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} \right\|_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} dt + \int_{0}^{T} ||\boldsymbol{u}||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} dt + ||\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot, 0)||_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} \right),$$
(4.91)

where  $\Lambda_2 = \min_j \{\lambda_{L_j+1}^{(j)}\}$ .

*Proof.* Following the proof in [6, 15], our proof is derived from Lemmas 4.4.11, 4.4.12 and 4.4.13.  $\Box$ 

### **4.4.3** Lemmas for the main convergence results

In this part, we provide and prove some Lemmas that Theorems 4.4.3 and 4.4.10 directly follow from. **Lemma 4.4.11.** Let u,  $u_{snap}$ , w,  $\Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2$  be defined in Theorems 4.4.3 and 4.4.10. For the uncoupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt \leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{1}} \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} \right\|_{a}^{2} dt.$$
(4.92)

For the coupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial (\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} dt \leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{2}} \int_{0}^{T} \left\| \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} \right\|_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2} dt.$$
(4.93)

*Proof.* Based on [6, 15], we will first derive the proof for the case of uncoupled GMsFEM. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{w}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}}{\partial t} \right\|_{c}^{2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{ii} \left( \frac{\partial w_{i}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial u_{\text{snap},i}}{\partial t} \right)^{2} dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{ii} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \chi_{j,i}(\boldsymbol{x}) \psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \right)^{2} dx \\ &\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^{2} \right) \left( \sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} |_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \right)^{2} dx \\ &= C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} s_{i}^{(j)} \left( \sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} |_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}), \sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} |_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \right). \end{aligned}$$
(4.94)

By the spectral problem (4.56) and the orthogonality of eigenfunctions  $\{\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x})\}_k$ , we

have

$$s_{i}^{(j)}\left(\sum_{k>L_{j}}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x}), \sum_{k>L_{j}}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x})\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{(j)}}a_{i}^{(j)}\left(\sum_{k>L_{j}}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x}), \sum_{k>L_{j}}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x})\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{(j)}}a_{i}^{(j)}\left(\sum_{k}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x}), \sum_{k}\frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \quad {}^{(j)}_{k,i}(\boldsymbol{x})\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{j}}a_{i}^{(j)}\left(\frac{\partial u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}\right).$$
(4.95)

Therefore, (4.94) becomes

$$\left\|\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{w}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{snap}}}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{j}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(\frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}\right).$$
(4.96)

Since  $u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}$  is the projection of  $u_i$  in each  $\omega_j$  by the definition (4.69), it follows that

$$a_i^{(j)}(u_i, v_i) = a_i^{(j)} \left( u_{\operatorname{snap}, i}^{(j)}, v_i \right) , \quad \forall v_i \in V_{\operatorname{snap}}^i(\omega_j) .$$

More specifically, let  $v_i = u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} a_{i}^{(j)} \left( u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}, u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)} \right) &= a_{i}^{(j)} \left( u_{i}, u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)} \right) \,, \\ & \left\| u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)} \right\|_{a_{i}^{(j)}}^{2} \leq \left\| u_{i} \right\|_{a_{i}^{(j)}} \left\| u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)} \right\|_{a_{i}^{(j)}} \,. \end{split}$$

Hence,

$$a_i^{(j)}\left(u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}, u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}\right) \le a_i^{(j)}(u_i, u_i) \,. \tag{4.97}$$

Similarly,

$$a_i^{(j)}\left(\frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}}{\partial t}\right) \leq a_i^{(j)}\left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t}\right) \,.$$

Thus, from (4.96), we get

$$\left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{(j)}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(\frac{\partial u_{i}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_{i}}{\partial t}\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{C}{\min_{j,i} \{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{(j)}\}} a\left(\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t}\right)$$

$$= \frac{C}{\min_{j,i} \{\lambda_{L_{j}+1,i}^{(j)}\}} \left\|\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t}\right\|_{a}^{2}.$$
(4.98)

For the case of coupled GMsFEM, recall that  $s^{(j)}(\cdot, \cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} s_i^{(j)}(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Applying the same arguments, we get

$$\left\|\frac{\partial(\boldsymbol{w}-\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}})}{\partial t}\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq C \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} s_{i}^{(j)} \left(\sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \left|_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}), \sum_{k>L_{j}} \frac{\partial d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t)}{\partial t} \right|_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x})\right).$$

**Lemma 4.4.12.** Let u,  $u_{snap}$ , w,  $\Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2$  be defined in Theorems 4.4.3 and 4.4.10. For the uncoupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\int_0^T \left\| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}} \right\|_a^2 \, \mathrm{d}t \le \frac{C}{\Lambda_1} \int_0^T \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_a^2 \, \mathrm{d}t \,. \tag{4.99}$$

For the coupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\int_0^T \left\| \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}} \right\|_{a_{Q_s}}^2 \, \mathrm{d}t \le \frac{C}{\Lambda_2} \int_0^T \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{a_{Q_s}}^2 \, \mathrm{d}t \,. \tag{4.100}$$

Proof. This Lemma's proof is based on [6, 15].

For the case of uncoupled GMsFEM, we define

$$e_i^{(j)} = \sum_{k>L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \,\psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x}) \,.$$

By (4.71) and (4.69), we have

$$\begin{split} \|\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}\|_{a}^{2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{i} \left| \nabla(w_{i} - u_{\text{snap},i}) \right|^{2} dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{i} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \sum_{k>L_{j}} \nabla\left(d_{k,i}^{(j)}(t) \chi_{j,i} \left|_{k,i}^{(j)}\right) \right|^{2} dx \\ &\leq N_{v} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \left| \nabla\left(\chi_{j,i}e_{i}^{(j)}\right) \right|^{2} dx \\ &\leq 2N_{v} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \left( \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \left| \nabla\chi_{j,i} \right|^{2} \left| e_{i}^{(j)} \right|^{2} dx + \int_{\omega_{j}} \kappa_{i} \left| \chi_{j,i} \right|^{2} \left| \nabla e_{i}^{(j)} \right|^{2} dx \right) . \end{split}$$
(4.101)

Note that

$$\int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i \left| \nabla \chi_{j,i} \right|^2 \left| e_i^{(j)} \right|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x \le \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} |\nabla \chi_{j,i}|^2 \right) \left| e_i^{(j)} \right|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x = s_i^{(j)} \left( e_i^{(j)}, e_i^{(j)} \right) \,.$$

From this, Lemma 4.4.2 and (4.54), there exists some positive constant  $D_3$  such that

$$\int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i |\chi_{j,i}|^2 \left| \nabla e_i^{(j)} \right|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x \le D_3 \int_{\omega_j} \kappa_i \left| \nabla \chi_{j,i} \right|^2 \left| e_i^{(j)} \right|^2 \le D_3 s_i^{(j)} \left( e_i^{(j)}, e_i^{(j)} \right) \,.$$

Therefore,

$$\|m{w}-m{u}_{ ext{snap}}\|_a^2 \leq D_4 \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^{N_v} s_i^{(j)} \left(e_i^{(j)}, e_i^{(j)}
ight)\,.$$

Finally, based on bilinearity of  $a_i^{(j)}$  and  $s_i^{(j)}$  as well as the orthogonality of  $\{\psi_{k,i}^j\}_k$ , and the definition of the eigenprojection, for the case of uncoupled GMsFEM, as in (4.97), we get

$$\begin{split} s_i^{(j)} \left( e_i^{(j)}, e_i^{(j)} \right) &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_j+1,i}^{(j)}} a_i^{(j)} \left( e_i^{(j)}, e_i^{(j)} \right) \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_j+1,i}^{(j)}} a_i^{(j)} \left( u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)}, u_{\mathrm{snap},i}^{(j)} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{L_j+1,i}^{(j)}} a_i^{(j)} \left( u_i, u_i \right) \,. \end{split}$$

Hence, the desired result (4.99) follows.

For the case of coupled GMsFEM, similar arguments are applied for

$$e^{(j)} = \sum_{k>L_j} d_k^{(j)}(t) \, \psi_k^{(j)}(x)$$

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**Lemma 4.4.13.** Let u,  $u_{snap}$ , w,  $\Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2$  be defined in Theorems 4.4.3 and 4.4.10. For the uncoupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\cdot,0)\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{1}} \left\|\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)\right\|_{a}^{2}.$$
(4.102)

For the coupled GMsFEM, we have

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\cdot,0)\right\|_{c}^{2} \leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{2}} \left\|\boldsymbol{u}(\cdot,0)\right\|_{a_{Q_{s}}}^{2}.$$
(4.103)

Proof. For the case of uncoupled GMsFEM, as in Lemma 4.4.12, we let

$$e_{0,i}^{(j)} = \sum_{k>L_j} d_{k,i}^{(j)}(0) \psi_{k,i}^{(j)}(\boldsymbol{x})$$

Then, following the proof of Lemma 4.4.12, we get

$$\begin{split} \|\boldsymbol{w}(\cdot,0) - \boldsymbol{u}_{\text{snap}}(\cdot,0)\|_{c}^{2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{ii} \left\|u_{\text{snap},i}(\cdot,0) - w_{i}(\cdot,0)\right\|^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{ii} \left\|\sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \chi_{j,i} e_{0,i}^{(j)}\right\|^{2} \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \left\|\sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \chi_{j,i} e_{0}^{(j)}\right\|_{c}^{2} \\ &\leq D_{6} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} \left\|e_{0}^{(j)}\right\|_{c}^{2} \\ &\leq D_{6} D_{7} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{1}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(e_{0,i}^{(j)}, e_{0,i}^{(j)}\right) \\ &\leq D_{6} D_{7} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{1}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}(\cdot,0), u_{\text{snap},i}^{(j)}(\cdot,0)\right) \\ &\leq D_{6} D_{7} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{1}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(u_{i}(\cdot,0), u_{i}(\cdot,0)\right) \\ &\leq C_{6} \int_{7} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{1}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{v}} a_{i}^{(j)} \left(u_{i}(\cdot,0), u_{i}(\cdot,0)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\Lambda_{1}} \left\|u(\cdot,0)\right\|_{a}^{2} \,. \end{split}$$

For the case of coupled GMsFEM, similar arguments are utilized for

$$m{e}_{0}^{(j)} = \sum_{k>L_{j}} d_{k}^{(j)}(0) m{\psi}_{k}^{(j)}(m{x}) \,.$$

# 4.5 Numerical results

In this section, we present numerical results for both coupled and uncoupled GMsFEM.

Let  $\Omega = [0, 1]^2$ , and consider the following problem:

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t}(\boldsymbol{x},t) - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \boldsymbol{b}_1(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) 
+ Q_1(u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) = 1, 
\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t}(\boldsymbol{x},t) - \operatorname{div}(\kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x})\nabla u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t)) + \boldsymbol{b}_2(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \nabla(u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) 
+ Q_2(u_2(\boldsymbol{x},t) - u_1(\boldsymbol{x},t)) = 1,$$
(4.105)

where we let

$$b_1(x) = 10 \left( (1 - \cos(2\pi x_1)) \sin(2\pi x_2), -\sin(2\pi x_1)(1 - \cos(2\pi x_2)) \right),$$
  

$$b_2(x) = 10 \left( -\sin(2\pi x_1)(1 - \cos(2\pi x_2)), (1 - \cos(2\pi x_1)) \sin(2\pi x_2) \right).$$
(4.106)

The above equations represent a model problem where we deal with fluid flow through two continua. First, we note that the model is of **mathematical interest** as it is for a system of equations with multiscale coefficients. The model problem can be derived from upscaling of highly heterogeneous media using Representative Volume Element (RVE) approach described in [35]. In that paper, the authors use sub RVE scale to formulate a multi-continuum model at fine-grid scale, which is further upscaled. In this work, we assume that the resulting multi-continuum model can have highly heterogeneous coefficients. For example, with respect to the second continuum, the first continuum has much higher permeability fields in channels, which are much larger compared to RVE scales. In general, our proposed approach can handle any variations of permeability fields  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$ . In this work, we consider some model problems. In the future, we plan to study more realistic examples.

Figs. 4.1a and 4.1b indicate that the high-contrast permeability coefficients  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  are used. We compare the fine-scale solutions with the multiscale ones, by computing

relative errors in weighted  $L^2$  norm and  $H^1$  semi-norm. In particular, we use

$$\frac{100 ||u_{\text{ms},i} - u_{h,i}||_{L^2_{a_i}} / ||u_{h,i}||_{L^2_{a_i}}, 
(4.107)$$

$$\frac{100 ||u_{\text{ms},i} - u_{h,i}||_{H^1_{a_i}} / ||u_{h,i}||_{H^1_{a_i}},$$

where

$$||u_i||_{L^2_{a_i}} = \int_{\Omega} \kappa_i u_i^2 \, \mathrm{d}x, \qquad ||u_i||_{H^1_{a_i}} = \int_{\Omega} \kappa_i |\nabla u_i|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x,$$

(for i = 1, 2).

We denote by  $DOF_{\text{fine}}$  the number of degrees of freedom (basis functions) for finescale FEM. Tables 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 represent the errors obtained from the coupled and uncoupled GMsFEM with various  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  (see Figs. 4.2a and 4.2b). From Tables 4.1 and 4.2, we observe that the coupled GMsFEM has higher accuracy compared with the uncoupled GMsFEM, when  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are large and positive. Tables 4.3 and 4.4 show that both of the coupled and uncoupled GMsFEM still have good convergence with some negative  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . A fine-scale reference solution  $u_1$  (obtained from the FEM) is plotted Fig. 4.3a, while Fig. 4.3b represents solution  $u_1$  obtained from the GMsFEM.



(a)  $\kappa_1(\boldsymbol{x})$ . The value in each channel is  $10^4$ . (b)  $\kappa_2(\boldsymbol{x})$ . The value in each channel is 100. Figure 4.1: Permeability coefficients  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  for numerical implementation.



(a) FEM,  $u_1$  as a fine-scale reference solu- (b) Coupled GMsFEM,  $u_1$  as a coarse-scale tion,  $DOF_{\text{fine}} = 32768$ . solution,  $\dim(V_{\text{ms}}) = 2700$ .

Figure 4.3: Solutions using the FEM and Coupled GMsFEM.



(a)  $\hat{Q}(\boldsymbol{x})$ . The value in each channel is 10<sup>7</sup>. (b)  $\tilde{Q}(\boldsymbol{x})$ . The value in each channel is 10. Figure 4.2: Interaction coefficients  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  for numerical implementation.

$\dim(V_{\rm ms})$	$u_1$			
	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)
1800	11.619	1.162	10.246	1.173
2700	6.994	0.449	6.811	0.456
3600	6.129	0.335	5.832	0.340
4500	5.214	0.223	4.768	0.228
5400	3.726	0.117	3.532	0.120
7200	2.253	0.045	2.186	0.047

Table 4.1: Coupled GMsFEM,  $Q_1 = Q_2 = \hat{Q}$ ,  $DOF_{\text{fine}} = 32768$ .

$\dim(V_{\rm ms})$	$u_1$		$u_2$	
	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)
1800	16.170	2.987	17.450	2.998
2700	8.213	1.020	9.976	1.026
3600	6.630	0.756	8.637	0.760
4500	5.554	0.544	7.490	0.547
5400	4.717	0.435	6.776	0.438
7200	2.712	0.237	5.065	0.239

Table 4.2: Uncoupled GMsFEM,  $Q_1 = Q_2 = \hat{Q}$ ,  $DOF_{\text{fine}} = 32768$ .

$\dim(V_{\rm ms})$	$u_1$		$u_2$	
	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)
1800	16.051	2.250	17.558	2.547
2700	8.232	0.571	7.957	0.567
3600	6.621	0.375	6.579	0.381
4500	5.567	0.255	5.374	0.252
5400	4.729	0.195	4.578	0.179
7200	2.696	0.064	2.628	0.061

Table 4.3: Coupled GMsFEM,  $Q_1 = -10\tilde{Q}, Q_2 = -\tilde{Q}, DOF_{\text{fine}} = 32768.$ 

$\dim(V_{\rm ms})$	$u_1$		$u_2$	
	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)	$H^1$ Errors(%)	$L^2$ Errors(%)
1800	16.233	2.314	15.873	2.266
2700	8.213	0.581	7.951	0.566
3600	6.620	0.377	6.54	0.381
4500	5.563	0.258	5.371	0.252
5400	4.733	0.196	4.558	0.180
7200	2.693	0.064	2.626	0.061

Table 4.4: Uncoupled GMsFEM,  $Q_1 = -10\tilde{Q}, Q_2 = -\tilde{Q}, DOF_{\text{fine}} = 32768.$ 

#### 5. CONCLUSIONS

In this dissertation, we developed an efficient algorithm for computing the effective coefficients of a coupled multiscale multi-continuum system where the interaction terms are scaled as  $O(\frac{1}{e^2})$ . We solved the cell problems using hierarchical finite element algorithm and used the solutions to compute the effective coefficients. To establish the hierarchical FE algorithm, we first constructed a dense hierarchy of macrogrids and the corresponding nested FE spaces. Based on the hierarchy, we solve the cell problems using different resolution FE spaces at different macroscopic points. We use solutions solved with a higher level of accuracy to correct solutions obtained with a lower level of accuracy at nearby macroscopic points. We rigorously showed that this hierarchical FE method achieves the same order of accuracy as the reference full solve where cell problems at every macroscopic point are solved with the highest level of accuracy, at a significantly reduced computation cost, using an essentially optimal number of degrees of freedom. The algorithm was implemented on macroscopic points in a one dimensional domain. The numerical results strongly support the error estimates.

We analyzed the homogenization of a two-scale dual-continuum system. The coupled exchange terms are scaled as  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$ . This scale gives an interesting homogenization limit which contains convection, coupled reaction terms with negative interaction coefficients while the original two scale system does not contain these features. We proved rigorously the homogenization convergence. We proved rigorously also the homogenization convergence rate. These proofs of homogenization convergence and error are significantly more complicated than those for the scaling  $O(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2})$  considered in Chapter 1 due to the complicated form of the homogenized equation. The effective coefficients are approximated implementing hierarchical algorithm introduced in Chapter 2.

We proposed a generalized multiscale finite element method (GMsFEM), to speedily and effectively solve an upscaled multiscale dual-continuum system motivated by the homogenized equation derived in Chapter 3. The GMsFEM systematically produces either uncoupled or coupled multiscale basis functions (called uncoupled or coupled GMsFEM, respectively). That is, multiscale basis functions are constructed for separately for each solution (uncouple GMsFEM), or jointly for the system (coupled GMsFEM). Our numerical results show that the combination of the GMsFEM and dual-continuum approach is able to compute solutions with high efficiency and accuracy, which are even higher when the coupled multiscale basis functions are applied. In a future contribution, we will extend this strategy to a dual-continuum system of homogenized nonlinear equations.

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## APPENDIX A

# EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF WEAK SOLUTIONS

In this appendix, we present the proof of the existence and uniqueness of a weak solution of (3.3) and (3.15). We recall that the spaces  $L^2(\Omega)$  and  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  are denoted by H and V respectively. We first note that for  $u \in L^2(0,T;V) \cap H^1(0,T;V')$ , we have  $u \in C(0,T;H)$  ([28], p.394). This will make sense of the initial conditions (A.2). Considering the fact that  $C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$  is dense in V and (3.6), we have the variational problem : Find  $u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon} \in L^2(0,T;V)$  such that  $\frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \in L^2(0,T;V')$  and

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt \\ + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon}(x) (u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt \\ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x)}{\partial t} \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x) \cdot \nabla \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt \\ + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon}(x) (u_{2}^{\epsilon}(t,x) - u_{1}^{\epsilon}(t,x)) \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt$$
(A.1)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in L^2(0,T;V)$ , and

$$u_1^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_1(x) \in H \text{ and } u_2^{\epsilon}(0,x) = g_2(x) \in H.$$
 (A.2)

Note that as  $u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon} \in C(0, T; H)$ , it is possible to use the pointwise values of them in H at t = 0 to impose the initial conditions.
Let W be the space  $V \times V$ . We define a bilinear form  $a: W \times W \to \mathbb{R}$  as

$$\begin{aligned} a((u_{1}(t), u_{2}(t)), (v_{1}(t), v_{2}(t))) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}(t) \cdot \nabla v_{1}(t) dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}(t) \cdot \nabla v_{2}(t) dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1}(t) - u_{2}(t)) v_{1}(t) dx \\ &+ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}(t) - u_{1}(t)) v_{2}(t) dx. \end{aligned}$$
(A.3)

Recall that since  $\int_Y Q(x, y) dy = 0$ , there is a vector function Q(x, y) which is periodic with respect to y such that  $Q(x, y) = \operatorname{div}_y Q(x, y)$ . We have the following theorem.

**Theorem A.0.1.** Assume that the vector function Q(x, y) is in  $C^1(\overline{\Omega}; C^1(\overline{Y}))^2$ . Then the sequences  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  satisfying (3.3) are uniformly bounded in  $L^{\infty}(0, T; H)$  and  $L^2(0, T; V)$ .

*Proof.* As div  $\mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) = \operatorname{div}_x \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \operatorname{div}_y \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}), \ Q(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) = \epsilon \operatorname{div} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) - \epsilon \operatorname{div}_x \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}).$  Note that

$$\int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon}(x)(u_{2}^{\epsilon}-u_{1}^{\epsilon})\phi_{1}dx = -\epsilon \int_{\Omega} Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla(u_{2}^{\epsilon}-u_{1}^{\epsilon})\phi_{1}dx$$

$$-\epsilon \int_{\Omega} Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla\phi_{1}(u_{2}^{\epsilon}-u_{1}^{\epsilon})dx - \epsilon \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} Q(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})(u_{2}^{\epsilon}-u_{1}^{\epsilon})\phi_{1}dx,$$
(A.4)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}_0(\Omega)$ . Thus, from (3.6), we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} dx dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1} dx dt. \end{split}$$
(A.5)

We let  $\hat{u}_1^{\epsilon} = u_1^{\epsilon} e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\hat{u}_2^{\epsilon} = u_2^{\epsilon} e^{-\lambda t}$  and  $\check{\phi}_1 = \phi_1 e^{\lambda t}$ . Then,

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt \\ &= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}) \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{1} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}) dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}) \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \check{\phi}_{1} e^{-\lambda t} dx dt. \end{split}$$
(A.6)

Similarly, we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt$$

$$= -\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{2} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt \quad (A.7)$$

$$-\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \check{\phi}_{2} e^{-\lambda t} dx dt.$$

Let  $\check{\phi}_1 = \hat{u}_1^{\epsilon}$ ,  $\check{\phi}_2 = \hat{u}_2^{\epsilon}$ . Taking the sum of the above two equations we get

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\ &= 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q e^{-\lambda t} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} + \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt. \end{split}$$
(A.8)

Thus,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(T,x)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(T,x)|^{2} dx + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} (\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\ &= 2 \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) \cdot \nabla (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q e^{-\lambda t} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} + \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}(0, x)|^{2} dx. \end{split}$$

$$(A.9)$$

Since  $Q(x,y) \in C^1(\bar{\Omega}; C^1(\bar{Y}))^2$ , using Cauchy Schwartz and Young's inequalities, we have

$$2\int_{0}^{T}\int_{\Omega}\mathcal{Q}(x,\frac{x}{\epsilon})\cdot\nabla(\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}-\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})(\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}-\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})dxdt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;V)}^{2}+||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;V)}^{2})+\varepsilon(||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}+||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}).$$
(A.10)

Similarly,

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{x} \mathcal{Q}(x, \frac{x}{\epsilon}) (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} - \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon})^{2} dx dt \le c_{2} (||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2})$$
(A.11)

and

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q e^{-\lambda t} (\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon} + \hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}) dx dt \le c_{3} + c_{4} (||\hat{u}_{1}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2} + ||\hat{u}_{2}^{\epsilon}||_{L^{2}(0,T;H)}^{2}).$$
(A.12)

Choosing  $\varepsilon$  and  $\lambda$  sufficiently large, we deduce  $\hat{u}_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $\hat{u}_2^{\epsilon}$ , thus,  $u_1^{\epsilon}$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}$  are uniformly bounded in  $L^{\infty}(0,T;H)$  and  $L^2(0,T;V)$ .

**Lemma A.0.2.** Assume  $Q(x,y) \in L^{\infty}(\Omega \times Y)$  and  $\kappa_i(x,y) \in L^{\infty}(\Omega \times Y)$ . There exists

C > 0 such that

$$a((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le C(||\nabla u_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla u_2||_H^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (||\nabla v_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla v_2||_H^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
(A.13)

for  $(u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2) \in W$ . And there exists  $k \ge 0$  such that

$$a((\phi_1,\phi_2),(\phi_1,\phi_2)) + k||\phi_1||_H^2 + k||\phi_2||_H^2 \ge \alpha(||\nabla\phi_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla\phi_2||_H^2),$$
(A.14)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in V$ . Here, C and k depend on  $\epsilon$ .

*Proof.* It is not difficult to show (A.13). Since  $Q \in C(\overline{\Omega} \times \overline{Y})$ , we have

$$a((u_{1}, u_{2}), (u_{1}, u_{2}))$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1} \cdot \nabla u_{1} dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2} \cdot \nabla u_{2} dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1} - u_{2})^{2} dx \qquad (A.15)$$

$$\geq \underline{\kappa} (\|\nabla u_{1}\|_{H}^{2} + \|\nabla u_{2}\|_{H}^{2}) - k(\|u_{1}\|_{H}^{2} + \|u_{2}\|_{H}^{2})$$

for some k > 0 depending on  $\epsilon$ . The last inequality follows from Cauchy-Schwarz and Young's inequalities.

**Theorem A.0.3.** Let Q(x, y),  $C_{ii}(x, y)$  and  $\kappa_i(x, y)$  (i = 1, 2) be in  $C(\overline{\Omega} \times \overline{Y})$ . There exists a unique solution for problem (A.1).

*Proof.* We follow the standard proof for parabolic equations in [28]. We note that  $u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon}$  are weak solutions of (3.3) if for almost all  $t \in [0, T]$ 

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_1 dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon}(t) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_1 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_1 dx$$
$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \phi_2 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_2 dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon}(t) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_2 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_2 dx$$
(A.16)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in V$ ,  $u_1^{\epsilon}(0, x) = g_1(x) \in H$  and  $u_2^{\epsilon}(0, x) = g_2(x) \in H$ . Let  $\{\omega_k\}$  be an orthogonal basis of V and an orthonormal basis of H. For fixed integer m > 0, we consider functions

$$u_{1m}^{\epsilon}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{m} d_{1m}^{k}(t)\omega_{k}, \quad u_{2m}^{\epsilon}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{m} d_{2m}^{k}(t)\omega_{k}, \quad (A.17)$$

where the coefficients  $d_{1m}^k$ ,  $d_{2m}^k$  satisfy

$$d_{1m}^k(0) = \int_{\Omega} g_1 \omega_k dx, \ d_{2m}^k(0) = \int_{\Omega} g_2 \omega_k dx$$
(A.18)

and

a.e. on [0,T], where  $k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, ..., m$ . This problem can be written as a system of ODEs

$$\sum_{l=1}^{m} [M_1]_{kl} \frac{d}{dt} d_{1m}^k(t) + \sum_{l=1}^{m} [A_1 + M_Q]_{kl} d_{1m}^l(t) - \sum_{l=1}^{m} [M_Q]_{kl} d_{2m}^l(t) = \int q\omega_k dx$$

$$\sum_{l=1}^{m} [M_2]_{kl} \frac{d}{dt} d_{2m}^k(t) + \sum_{l=1}^{m} [A_2 + M_Q]_{kl} d_{2m}^l(t) - \sum_{l=1}^{m} [M_Q]_{kl} d_{1m}^l(t) = \int a\omega_k dx$$
(A.20)

for k = 1, 2, ..., m, where

$$[M_i]_{kl} = \int_{\Omega} C_{ii}^{\epsilon} \omega_k \omega_l dx, \ [M_Q]_{kl} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} \omega_k \omega_l dx, \ [A_i]_{kl} = \int_{\Omega} \kappa_i^{\epsilon} \nabla \omega_k \cdot \nabla \omega_l dx.$$
(A.21)

Since  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are positive definite and symmetric Gram matrices, they are invertible. Hence, (A.20) has unique solutions.

It can be shown that  $u_{1m}^{\epsilon}, u_{2m}^{\epsilon}$  are uniformly bounded in both  $L^2(0, T; V), L^{\infty}(0, T; H)$ and  $C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1m}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}, C_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2m}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t}$  are uniformly bounded in  $L^2(0, T; V')$  for all m. The proof is similar to that of A.0.1 and 3.1.1.

From these results, we deduce that there exist functions  $u_1^\epsilon, u_2^\epsilon, \eta_1^\epsilon, \eta_2^\epsilon$  such that

$$u_{im}^{\epsilon} \rightharpoonup u_i^{\epsilon} \text{ in } L^2(0,T;V), \quad \mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{im}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \rightharpoonup \eta_i^{\epsilon} \text{ in } L^2(0,T;V'), \quad i = 1, 2.$$
 (A.22)

Let  $\psi_1(t), \psi_2(t) \in C^1[0,T]$  with  $\psi_1(T) = \psi_2(T) = 0$ . Let  $\phi_{1k} = \psi_1 \omega_k, \phi_{2k} = \psi_2 \omega_k$ . From (A.19) we get

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1m}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_{1k} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1m}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1m}^{\epsilon} - u_{2m}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1k} dx dt \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} C_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2m}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_{2k} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2m}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2m}^{\epsilon} - u_{1m}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{2k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2k} dx dt.$$
(A.23)

Since  $\phi(T)=0,$  integrating by parts we obtain

$$-\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1m}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \phi_{1k}}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1m}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1m}^{\epsilon} - u_{2m}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1m}^{\epsilon}(0) \phi_{1k}(0) dx - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2m}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \phi_{2k}}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2m}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2m}^{\epsilon} - u_{1m}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{2k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2m}^{\epsilon}(0) \phi_{2k}(0) dx.$$
(A.24)

Note that  $u_{1m}^{\epsilon}(0) \to g_1, u_{2m}^{\epsilon}(0) \to g_2$  in H as  $m \to \infty$ . Passing to the limit,  $m \to \infty$ , we obtain

$$-\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \phi_{1k}}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} g_{1} \phi_{1k}(0) dx, - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \phi_{2k}}{\partial t} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{2k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} g_{2} \phi_{2k}(0) dx.$$
(A.25)

We partially integrate the first terms of the equations in (A.25) and obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{1}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_{1k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_{1}^{\epsilon}(0) \phi_{1k}(0) dx + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{1}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{1}^{\epsilon} - u_{2}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{1k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} g_{1} \phi_{1k}(0) dx, \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_{2}^{\epsilon}}{\partial t} \phi_{2k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_{2}^{\epsilon}(0) \phi_{2k}(0) dx + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon} \nabla u_{2}^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2k} dx dt + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_{2}^{\epsilon} - u_{1}^{\epsilon}) \phi_{2k} dx dt = \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2k} dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} g_{2} \phi_{2k}(0) dx.$$
(A.26)

As this holds for all  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \mathcal{D}((0,T))$ , it follows that

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \omega_k dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \omega_k dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon}(t) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t)) \omega_k dx = \int_{\Omega} q \omega_k dx,$$
$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \omega_k dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \omega_k dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon}(t) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t)) \omega_k dx = \int_{\Omega} q \omega_k dx.$$
(A.27)

a.e. on [0,T], and

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} u_1^{\epsilon}(0) \omega_k(0) dx = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} g_1 \omega_k(0) dx, \quad \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} u_2^{\epsilon}(0) \omega_k(0) dx = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} g_2 \omega_k(0) dx$$
(A.28)

for all k. Thus, from (A.27) and (A.28), we deduce

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_1^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \phi_1 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_1^{\epsilon} \nabla u_1^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_1 dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_1^{\epsilon}(t) - u_2^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_1 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_1 dx,$$
$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial u_2^{\epsilon}(t)}{\partial t} \phi_2 dx + \int_{\Omega} \kappa_2^{\epsilon} \nabla u_2^{\epsilon}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi_2 dx + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon} (u_2^{\epsilon}(t) - u_1^{\epsilon}(t)) \phi_2 dx = \int_{\Omega} q \phi_2 dx$$
(A.29)

a.e. on [0,T], for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in V$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon} u_i^{\epsilon}(0) = \mathcal{C}_{ii}^{\epsilon} g_i$ , hence,  $u_i^{\epsilon}(0) = g_i$ . Thus,  $u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon}$  are solutions of (A.1). We now show the uniqueness of the solutions. Assume  $u_1^{\epsilon}, u_2^{\epsilon}, v_1^{\epsilon}, v_2^{\epsilon}$ 

are two solution sets of (A.1). We let  $u_1^{\epsilon} - v_1^{\epsilon} = \delta_1$ ,  $u_2^{\epsilon} - v_2^{\epsilon} = \delta_2$ . Then from (A.1), we get

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial \delta_{1}(t,x)}{\partial t} \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla \delta_{1}(t,x) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon}(x) (\delta_{1}(t,x) - \delta_{2}(t,x)) \phi_{1}(t,x) dx dt = 0, \\ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon}(x) \frac{\partial \delta_{2}(t,x)}{\partial t} \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{\epsilon}(x) \nabla \delta_{2}(t,x) \cdot \nabla \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} Q^{\epsilon}(x) (\delta_{2}(t,x) - \delta_{1}(t,x)) \phi_{2}(t,x) dx dt = 0 \end{split}$$
(A.30)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in L^2(0, T; V)$ . Letting  $\hat{\delta}_1(t) = \delta_1(t)e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\hat{\delta}_2(t) = \delta_2(t)e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\check{\phi}_1 = \phi_1 e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\check{\phi}_2 = \phi_2 e^{\lambda t}$ , we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{1}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{2}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} \hat{\delta}_{1} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} \hat{\delta}_{2} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} a((\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)), (\check{\phi}_{1}(t), \check{\phi}_{2}(t))) dt = 0.$$
(A.31)

Letting  $\check{\phi}_i = \hat{\delta}_i$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{1}(T)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{2}(T)|^{2} dx + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{1}|^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{2}|^{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} a((\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)), (\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t))) dt = 0.$$
(A.32)

Note that  $\hat{\delta}_i(0) = 0$ . By Lemma A.0.2, choosing sufficiently large  $\lambda$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{1}(T)|^{2} dx &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{2}(T)|^{2} dx + \alpha \int_{0}^{T} (||\nabla \hat{\delta}_{1}(t)||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)||_{H}^{2}) dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{1}(T)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{2}(T)|^{2} dx + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{11}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{1}|^{2} dx dt \quad (A.33) \\ &+ \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}_{22}^{\epsilon} |\hat{\delta}_{2}|^{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} a((\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)), (\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t))) dt = 0. \end{split}$$

This implies  $\hat{\delta}_1 = \hat{\delta}_2 = 0$ , thus,  $\delta_1 = \delta_2 = 0$  a.e. on  $[0, T] \times \Omega$ . We deduce  $u_1^{\epsilon} = v_1^{\epsilon}$ ,  $u_2^{\epsilon} = v_2^{\epsilon}$ .

Now we show the uniqueness of a solution of the homogenized system (3.15). The homogenized problem (3.15) can be written in variational form. We find  $u_{10}, u_{20} \in L^2(0,T;V)$  such that  $\frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} \in L^2(0,T;V')$  satisfying

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial t} \phi_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{10} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} (u_{20} - u_{10}) dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} QN_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} QN_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{1} dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \phi_{1} dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{1} dx dt, \end{split}$$
(A.34)

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \right) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial t} \phi_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{20} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} (u_{10} - u_{20}) dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{2} dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi_{2} dx dt \\ &= \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} q \phi_{2} dx dt, \end{split}$$
(A.35)

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in L^2(0,T;V)$ . We define the bilinear form  $b: W \times W \to \mathbb{R}$  by

$$\begin{split} b((u_{10}(t), u_{20}(t)), (\phi_{1}(t), \phi_{2}(t))) &= \\ &\int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla u_{10} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} dx + \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} (u_{20} - u_{10}) dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{1} dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (u_{10} - u_{20}) \phi_{1} dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla u_{20} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} dx + \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} (u_{10} - u_{20}) dx \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{20}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial u_{10}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{2} dx \\ &- \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (u_{20} - u_{10}) \phi_{2} dx. \end{split}$$
(A.36)

**Lemma A.0.4.** Assume  $Q, \kappa_j \in C(\overline{\Omega}; C(\overline{Y})), N_j^i, M_j \in C(\overline{\Omega}; C^1(\overline{Y}))$  for j = 1, 2. There exists C > 0 such that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2)) \le C(||\nabla u_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla u_2||_H^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (||\nabla v_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla v_2||_H^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
(A.37)

for  $(u_1, u_2), (v_1, v_2) \in W$ . There exists  $k \ge 0$  such that

$$b((u_1, u_2), (u_1, u_2)) + k||u_1||_H^2 + k||u_2||_H^2 \ge \alpha(||\nabla u_1||_H^2 + ||\nabla u_2||_H^2)$$
(A.38)

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in V$ , for a constant  $\alpha > 0$ .

*Proof.* We first show (A.37). We have

$$b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (v_{1}, v_{2}))$$

$$\leq c_{1}(||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||\nabla v_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla v_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla v_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} + ||v_{1}||_{H} + ||v_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla v_{2}||_{H} + ||v_{2}||_{H} + ||v_{2}||_{H}^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \leq 4c_{1}(||\nabla v_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla v_{2}||_{H}^{2} + ||v_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||v_{2}||_{H}^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \leq C(||\nabla v_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla v_{2}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla v_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla v_{2}||_{H}^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(A.39)

The last inequality follows from Poincare inequality. We now prove (A.38). As  $\kappa_1^*$  and  $\kappa_2^*$  are positive definite, we have

$$\begin{split} b((u_{1}, u_{2}), (u_{1}, u_{2})) \\ &\geq c_{1}(||\nabla u_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H}^{2}) - c_{2}(||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} \\ &+ ||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} \\ &+ ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{1}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} + ||\nabla u_{1}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} \\ &+ ||u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} + ||u_{2}||_{H} \cdot ||u_{2}||_{H} ) \\ &\geq c_{1}(||\nabla u_{1}||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla u_{2}||_{H}^{2}) - (\varepsilon_{1}||\nabla u_{1}||_{H}^{2} + \delta_{1}||u_{1}||_{H}^{2} + \varepsilon_{2}||\nabla u_{2}||_{H}^{2} + \delta_{2}||u_{2}||_{H}^{2}). \end{split}$$

$$(A.40)$$

The last inequality follows from Young's inequality,  $ab \leq \frac{a^2}{2\varepsilon} + \frac{\varepsilon b^2}{2}$ , valid for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Thus, we can choose  $\varepsilon_1, \ \varepsilon_2$  small enough and get the conclusion.

**Theorem A.0.5.** Assume  $Q, \kappa_j \in C(\overline{\Omega}; C(\overline{Y})), N_j^i, M_j \in C(\overline{\Omega}; C^1(\overline{Y}))$  for j = 1, 2. There exists a unique solution for problem (A.34).

*Proof.* The existence follows from Theorem 3.1.1. We only prove the uniqueness. Assume  $(u_{10}, u_{20}), (v_{10}, v_{20})$  are two solutions of (A.34). We let  $u_{10} - v_{10} = \delta_1, u_{20} - v_{20} = \delta_2$ . From (A.34), we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{11} dy \frac{\partial \delta_{1}}{\partial t} \phi_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla \delta_{1} \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{1} (\delta_{2} - \delta_{1}) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} QN_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \delta_{1}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} QN_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \delta_{2}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{1} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (\delta_{1} - \delta_{2}) \phi_{1} dx dt = 0, (A.41) \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{22} dy \frac{\partial \delta_{2}}{\partial t} \phi_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla \delta_{2} \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy) \cdot \nabla \phi_{2} (\delta_{1} - \delta_{2}) dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} QN_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \delta_{2}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} QN_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \delta_{1}}{\partial x_{i}}] \phi_{2} dx dt - \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q(M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (\delta_{2} - \delta_{1}) \phi_{2} dx dt = 0$$

for all  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in L^2(0,T;V)$ . Let  $\hat{\delta}_1(t) = \delta_1(t)e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\hat{\delta}_2(t) = \delta_2(t)e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\check{\phi}_1 = \phi_1 e^{\lambda t}$  and  $\check{\phi}_2 = \phi_2 e^{\lambda t}$ . We have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{1}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy \hat{\delta}_{1} \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{1}^{*} \nabla \hat{\delta}_{1} \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{1} \nabla_{y} M_{1} dy) \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{1} (\hat{\delta}_{2} - \hat{\delta}_{1}) dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{1}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{2}}{\partial x_{i}}] \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (\hat{\delta}_{1} - \hat{\delta}_{2}) \check{\phi}_{1} dx dt = 0, \\ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{2}}{\partial t} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy \hat{\delta}_{2} \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \kappa_{2}^{*} \nabla \hat{\delta}_{2} \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt + \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} \kappa_{2} \nabla_{y} M_{2} dy) \cdot \nabla \check{\phi}_{2} (\hat{\delta}_{1} - \hat{\delta}_{2}) dx dt \\ &+ \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} [(\int_{Y} Q N_{2}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{2}}{\partial x_{i}} - (\int_{Y} Q N_{1}^{i} dy) \frac{\partial \hat{\delta}_{1}}{\partial x_{i}}] \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt \\ &- \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} (\int_{Y} Q (M_{1} + M_{2}) dy) (\hat{\delta}_{2} - \hat{\delta}_{1}) \check{\phi}_{2} dx dt = 0. \end{split}$$

We let  $\check{\phi}_i = \hat{\delta}_i$ . Since  $\hat{\delta}_i(0) = 0$ , adding above 2 equations, we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{11} dy |\hat{\delta}_{1}(T)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{22} dy |\hat{\delta}_{2}(T)|^{2} dx 
+ \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{11} dy |\hat{\delta}_{1}|^{2} dx dt + \lambda \int_{0}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} C_{22} dy |\hat{\delta}_{2}|^{2} dx dt 
+ \int_{0}^{T} b((\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)), (\hat{\delta}_{1}(t), \hat{\delta}_{2}(t))) dt = 0.$$
(A.43)

Choosing  $\lambda$  large enough, we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{11} dy |\hat{\delta}_{1}(T)|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_{Y} \mathcal{C}_{22} dy |\hat{\delta}_{2}(T)|^{2} dx + \alpha \int_{0}^{T} (||\nabla \hat{\delta}_{1}(t)||_{H}^{2} + ||\nabla \hat{\delta}_{2}(t)||_{H}^{2}) dt = 0,$$
(A.44)

by Lemma A.0.4. We deduce  $\hat{\delta}_1 = \hat{\delta}_2 = 0$  thus  $\delta_1 = \delta_2 = 0$ . We have  $u_{10} = v_{10}$ ,

 $u_{20} = v_{20}.$