

# Multiresolution homogenization of operators in separated form

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## The Numerical Homogenization Problem

Let  $S_h$  be a discretization of a differential operator w/scale parameter (step size)  $h$ .

(Examples of interest are  $\mu(\mathbf{x})\Delta$  or  $\nabla \cdot (\mu(\mathbf{x})\nabla)$ ).

*Numerical homogenization problem:*

- Find  $S_{2h}$  so that the action of  $S_{2h}$  approximates that of  $S_h$  on some (possibly even coarser) subspace.
- If possible, identify  $S_{2h}$  as a discretization of an operator of the same or related form.
- Otherwise, find algorithms for efficient computation of  $S_{2h}$ .
- Go to even coarser scales ( $4h, 8h, \dots$ )

## Outline

1. Overview of multiresolution (wavelet-based) homogenization
2. Explicit formulas for coefficients of homogenized operators
3. Homogenization of operators in separated form

# The Numerical Homogenization Problem

## Multiscale Representation of Operators

Let  $H$  and  $G$  be orthogonal projection matrices where  $HH^T + GG^T = I$ .

If  $H$  and  $G$  are derived from a wavelet basis, they represent projections onto a *coarse scale* and the complementary wavelet space.

Alternatively,  $H$  may be viewed as a local-averaging operator;  $G$  is a local difference operator.

Vectors are decomposed as  $s_v = Hv$  and  $d_v = Gv$ .

For a matrix  $S$ , we use the *standard form*:

$$\mathbf{A}_S = GSG^T, \quad \mathbf{B}_S = GSH^T$$

$$\mathbf{C}_S = HSG^T, \quad \mathbf{T}_S = HSH^T$$

In 2D, we use tensor products:  $H_2 = H \otimes H$ ,  $G_2 = (H \otimes G, G \otimes H, G \otimes G)$ ; similarly in 3D and higher.

## Schur complement homogenization

Given equation

$$S_h u = f$$

we write it in standard form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{S_h} & \mathbf{B}_{S_h} \\ \mathbf{C}_{S_h} & \mathbf{T}_{S_h} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_u \\ s_u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_f \\ s_f \end{pmatrix}$$

and (formally) eliminate  $d_u$ :

$$(\mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h} \mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1} \mathbf{B}_{S_h}) s_u = s_f - \mathbf{C}_{S_h} \mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1} d_f$$

So, we have  $S_{2h} = \mathbf{R}_{S_h} = \mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h} \mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1} \mathbf{B}_{S_h}$ .

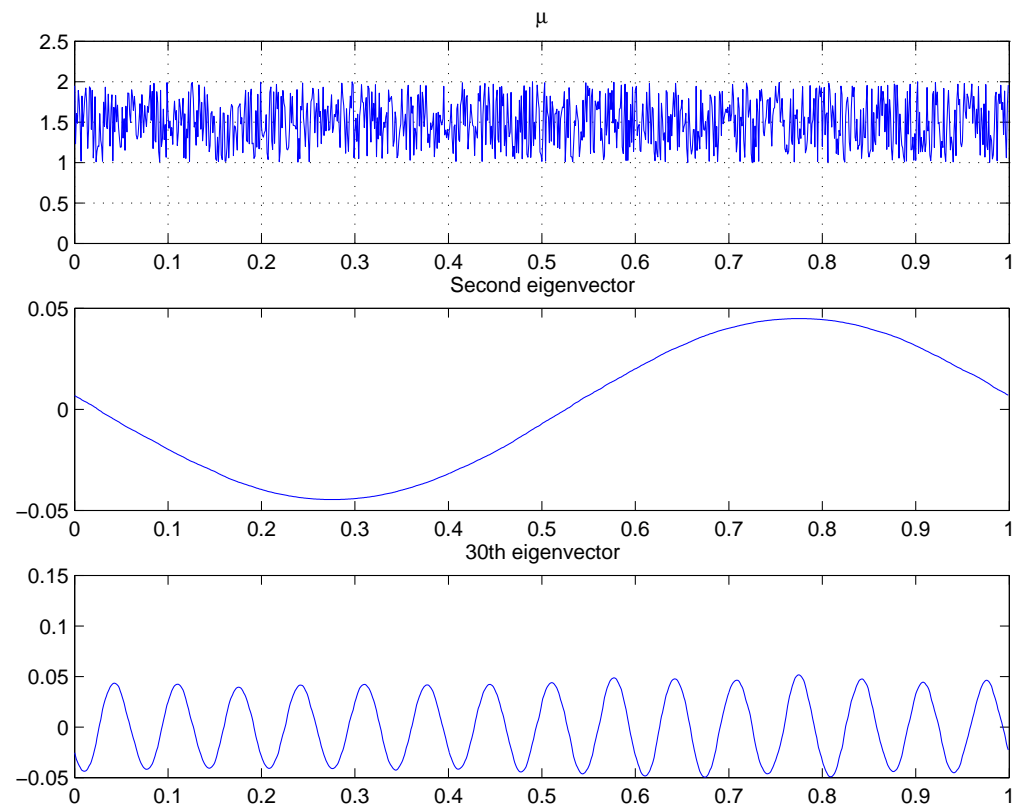
(Later, we use a convenient property of the Schur complement:)

$$\mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h} \mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1} \mathbf{B}_{S_h} = (\mathbf{T}_{(S_h)^{-1}})^{-1}$$

## Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Our homogenization procedure finds  $S_{2h}$  so that its *smaller* eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors are good approximations of those of  $S_h$ .

For discretizations of  $\mu(\mathbf{x})\Delta$  or  $\nabla \cdot (\mu(\mathbf{x})\nabla)$ , these eigenspaces correspond to longer-wavelength, less oscillatory subspaces.



## Wavelet-based Homogenization of Eigenvalue Problems

Given eigenvalue problem

$$S_h u = \lambda u \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{S_h} & \mathbf{B}_{S_h} \\ \mathbf{C}_{S_h} & \mathbf{T}_{S_h} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} du \\ su \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} du \\ su \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

eliminate fine-scale variable to achieve

$$(\mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h}(\mathbf{A}_{S_h} - \lambda I)^{-1}\mathbf{B}_{S_h})su = \lambda su.$$

Linear approximation in  $\lambda$ :

$$(\mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h}\mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1}\mathbf{B}_{S_h})su = \lambda su \quad (2)$$

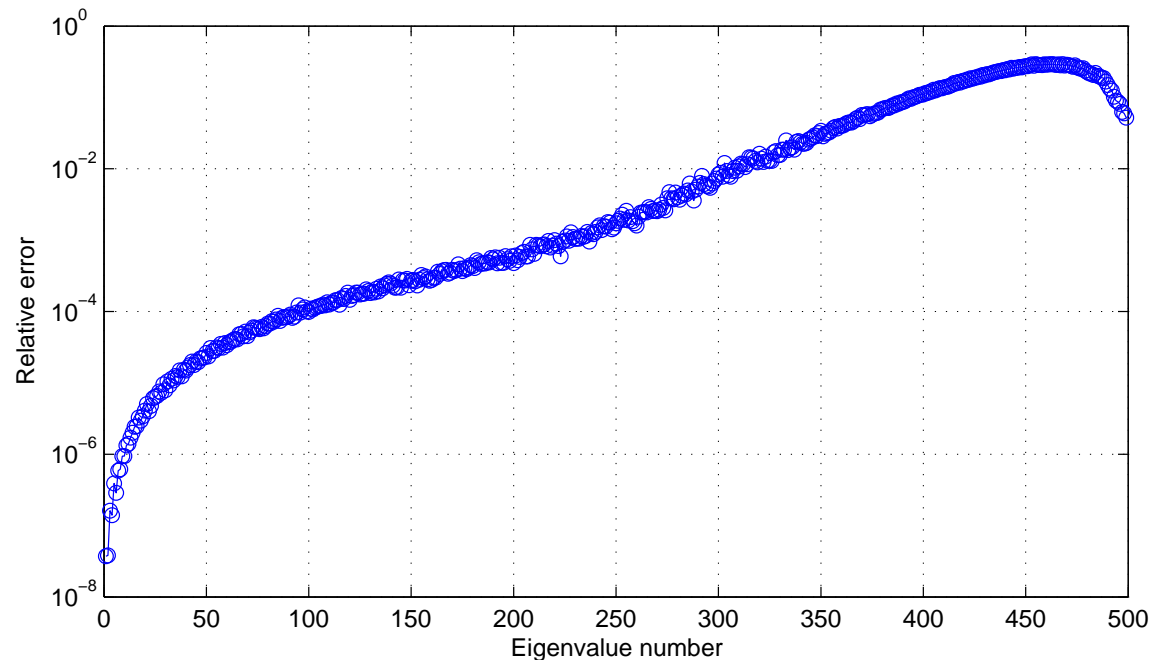
or

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} su = \lambda su$$



## Eigenvalue approximation

Smaller eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  are known to be good approximations of those of  $S_h$ . (Coult 1997, Beylkin + Coult 1998)



Here we use  $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$ ,  $V$  diagonal w/pseudorandom entries,  $h = \frac{1}{1000}$ , wavelets with 8 vanishing moments. Eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  and  $S_h$  are compared. (Using more vanishing moments results in better accuracy for larger eigenvalues.)

## Wavelet-based (multiresolution) homogenization

- Use Schur complement to eliminate fine-scale variables and compute a coarse-scale operator  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$
- $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  has smaller eigenvalues that approximate those of  $S_h$  well
- $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  has a sparse (banded) approximation

How can we characterize  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  as an *operator*?

Can we extract a coarse-scale *medium* from  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$ ?

What separability properties does  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  have?

## **Explicit formulas for homogenized coefficients**

## Homogenization of $\mu$

Given  $S_h$  as a discretization of  $\mu(\mathbf{x})\Delta$  or  $\nabla \cdot (\mu(\mathbf{x})\nabla)$ , what can be said about the *form* of  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$ ? Can it be identified as a discretization of some (possibly different) differential operator?

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Engquist et. al. showed that if  $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$ , then  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h} = \Delta_- \tilde{V} \Delta_+$  where  $\tilde{V}$  is strongly diagonally-dominant (and similarly in 2D) when using the Haar basis and first-order finite-differences for  $\Delta_{\pm}$ .

Others have explored various approximations of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ , or found explicit formulae for  $\tilde{V}$  in the case of periodic coefficients.

## Explicit formula for homogenized coefficients

We consider two cases:

1.  $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$  (discretization of  $\frac{d}{dx}\mu(x)\frac{d}{dx}$ )

2.  $S_h = VL$  (discretization of  $\mu(x)\Delta$  in any dimension)

In both cases we derive an approximation of  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  which includes an *explicit formula* for the homogenized coefficients.

## Homogenized coefficients of $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$

Assume  $(S_h)^{-1}$  exists (or restrict it to a subspace where it does); define  $K = \Delta_+^{-1}$ . Using properties of Schur complements, we find

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} = \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_-} \mathbf{N}^{-1} \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+}$$

where

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} \mathbf{C}_K \mathbf{A}_W \mathbf{C}_K^T \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_-} + \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} \mathbf{C}_K \mathbf{B}_W + \mathbf{C}_W \mathbf{C}_K^T \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_-} + \mathbf{T}_W$$

and

$$W = V^{-1}.$$

$\mathbf{R}_{\Delta_{\pm}}$  is a differentiation matrix of the same approximation order as  $\Delta_{\pm}$ .

$\mathbf{N}$  is diagonally dominant. We seek to identify  $\mathbf{N}$  with pointwise multiplication by some vector;  $\mathbf{N}$  is not diagonal so we must make another approximation to do this.

## Homogenized coefficients of $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$

We approximate  $\mathbf{N}$  via *mass-lumping*; in place of  $\mathbf{N}$  we use a diagonal matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{N}}$  whose action on constant vectors is the same as  $\mathbf{N}$ .

If  $o$  is a vector of ones, then  $\mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} o = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_W o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} H w$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_W o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} G w$ , where  $w = \text{diag}(W)$ .

We find

$$\text{diag}(\tilde{\mathbf{N}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H v^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} \mathbf{C}_K G v^{-1})$$

where  $v$  is the diagonal of  $V$ .

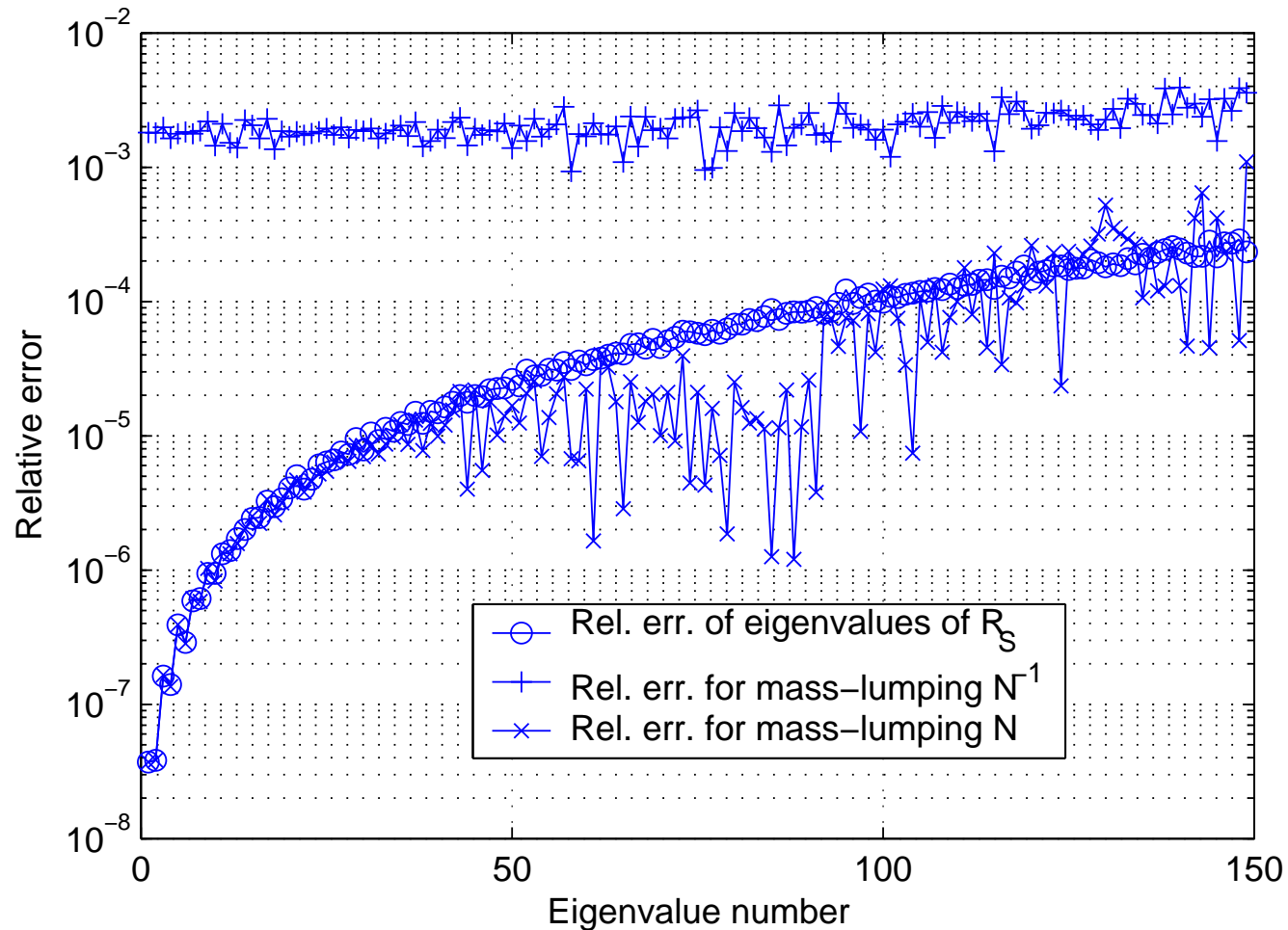
Thus we have

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} \approx \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_-} \tilde{\mathbf{V}} \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+}$$

where the diagonal of  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$  is given by

$$\sqrt{2} (H v^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} \mathbf{C}_K G v^{-1})^{-1}$$

## Eigenvalue approximation



Our approximation appears to provide similar (or even slightly better) accuracy of eigenvalues as the exact  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$ , though we have no proof yet. Note that mass-lumping  $N^{-1}$  results in very poor accuracy.



## Homogenized coefficients of $S_h = \Delta_- V \Delta_+$

Homogenized coefficients via mass-lumping:

$$\sqrt{2}(Hv^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+} \mathbf{C}_K Gv^{-1})^{-1}$$

Some remarks:

- If  $Gv^{-1}$  is constant, the formula reduces to  $\sqrt{2}(Hv^{-1})^{-1}$ , a *local harmonic mean*.
- If  $v^{-1}$  is cell-periodic w/period 2, the formula reduces exactly to the harmonic mean.
- $\mathbf{R}_{\Delta_+}$  and  $\mathbf{C}_K$  have sparse (banded) approximations.

## Homogenized coefficients of $S_h = VL$

We define  $Q = L^{-1}$  ( $Q$  is a discretization of  $\Delta^{-1}$ ; this will be important later). We derive

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} = \mathbf{Z}^{-1} \mathbf{R}_L$$

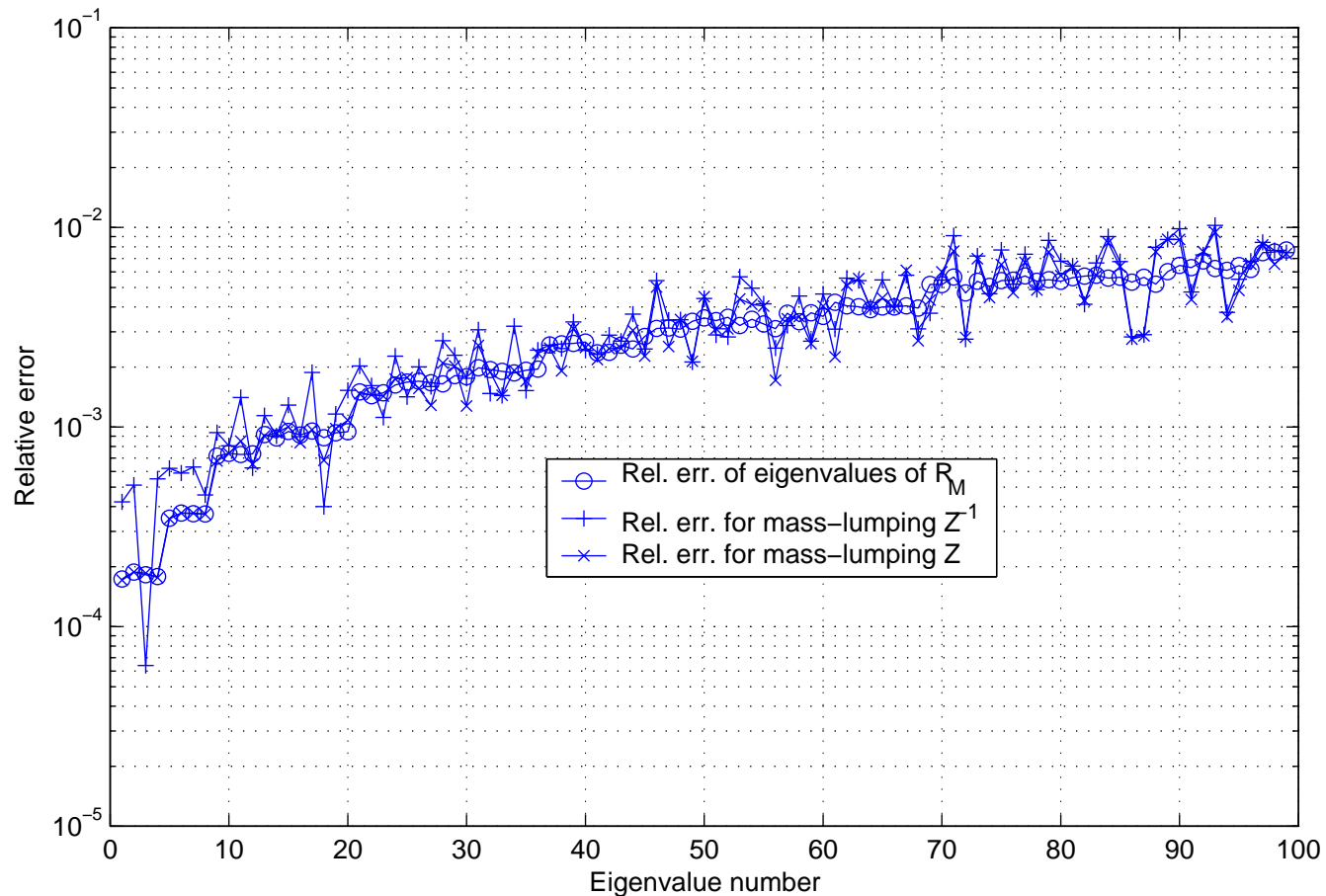
where  $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{R}_L \mathbf{C}_Q \mathbf{B}_W + \mathbf{T}_W$ . We approximate  $\mathbf{Z}$  via mass-lumping to achieve

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} \approx \tilde{\mathbf{V}} \mathbf{R}_L$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$  is diagonal w/ entries

$$\sqrt{2}(Hv^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_L \mathbf{C}_Q Gv^{-1})^{-1}$$

## Eigenvalue approximation



$S_h = VL$ ,  $V$  diagonal w/random entries,  $40 \times 40$  spatial discretization. Again, our approximation appears to provide similar accuracy of eigenvalues as the exact  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$ , though we have no proof yet.

## Homogenized coefficients of $S_h = VL$

$$\sqrt{2}(Hv^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_L \mathbf{C}_Q Gv^{-1})^{-1}$$

Remarks:

- This result holds in any number of dimensions.
- $\mathbf{R}_L$  is a discretization of  $\Delta$  of same approximation order as  $L$ .
- Reduces to local harmonic mean/harmonic mean in certain cases.
- $\mathbf{R}_L$  and  $\mathbf{C}_Q$  have sparse approximations.
- Homogenized medium is *isotropic*.

## **Homogenization of operators in separated form**

## Separated representations: $S = VL$

We have  $S = VL = V(D_-^x D_+^x + D_-^y D_+^y)$ , and  $V = \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k x_k \otimes y_k$ , so

$$S = \left( \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k (x_k D_-^x D_+^x \otimes y_k + x_k \otimes D_-^y D_+^y y_k) \right)$$

with separation rank  $\rho(S) \leq 2r$ . (We use *rank* as shorthand for *separation rank*.)

What can be determined about  $\rho(\mathbf{R}_S)$ ?

We use

$$\mathbf{R}_S \approx \tilde{V} \mathbf{R}_L$$

where

$$\text{diag}(\tilde{V}) = \sqrt{2}(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{v}^{-1} + \mathbf{R}_L \mathbf{C}_Q \mathbf{G}\mathbf{v}^{-1})^{-1}$$

Note that  $\rho(\tilde{V} \mathbf{R}_L) \leq \rho(\tilde{V}) \rho(\mathbf{R}_L)$ .

## Separated representations: $S = VL$

We have

$$\rho(\tilde{V}\mathbf{R}_L) \leq \rho(\tilde{V})\rho(\mathbf{R}_L).$$

and

$$\rho(\tilde{V}^{-1}) \leq \rho(Hv^{-1}) + \rho(\mathbf{R}_L\mathbf{C}_Q Gv^{-1})$$

$H$  and  $G$  are totally separated, so  $\rho(Hv^{-1}) \leq \rho(v^{-1}), \rho(Gv^{-1}) \leq \rho(v^{-1})$ .

The main influence on  $\rho(\tilde{V}^{-1})$  thus appears to be  $\rho(\mathbf{R}_L\mathbf{C}_Q)$

## Estimates of $\rho(\mathbf{C}_Q)$ , $\rho(\mathbf{R}_L)$ , and $\rho(\tilde{V})$

Recall that since  $Q$  is a discretization of  $\Delta^{-1}$ , we may find a separated representation valid on the annulus  $(\sum_{i=1}^d \xi_i^2)^{1/2} \in [\delta D, D]$  where the rank depends logarithmically on  $\delta$ .

In 1D, the Fourier symbol of  $\mathbf{C}_Q = \mathcal{O}(\xi^{m-2})$ , where  $m$  is the number of vanishing moments of the wavelet basis.

In 2D and higher we achieve similar results - thus  $\mathbf{C}_Q$ , w/ accuracy  $\mathcal{O}(\delta D)^{m-2}$ , is the restriction of  $\Delta^{-1}$  to a subset of the annulus  $[\delta D, D]$ .

We expect  $\rho(\mathbf{R}_L) = d$  since  $\mathbf{R}_L$  is a discretization of  $\Delta$ . So, we hope to achieve the bound

$$\rho(\tilde{V}^{-1}) \leq (1 + d\rho(\mathbf{C}_Q))\rho(v^{-1})$$

For a *vector*  $f$ , what is the relationship between  $\rho(f)$  and  $\rho(f^{-1})$ ?



$$S_h = \Delta_-^x V \Delta_+^x + \Delta_-^y V \Delta_+^y$$

Except for special cases, (e.g. periodic  $v$ ) a mass-lumped approximation for homogenized coefficients has not been found. We do know:

- $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  has a sparse representation in wavelet basis
- $\mathcal{O}(N = n^d)$  algorithms exist for computing  $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$
- $\mathbf{R}_{S_h}$  has eigenvalue-approximating property
- The homogenized operator may be *anisotropic*

## Homogenization in separated form

Even banded approximations arising from sparse wavelet representations are *expensive* in multiple dimensions.

So we represent  $S_h$  in separated form, and compute

$$\mathbf{R}_{S_h} = \mathbf{T}_{S_h} - \mathbf{C}_{S_h} \mathbf{A}_{S_h}^{-1} \mathbf{B}_{S_h}$$

using separated linear algebra.

## Inverse via Newton-Schulz iteration

$$M_{i+1} = 2M_i - M_i \mathbf{A} M_i$$

If  $\|\mathbf{A}M_0 - I\| < 1$  then  $M_i$  converges quadratically to  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

Algorithm:

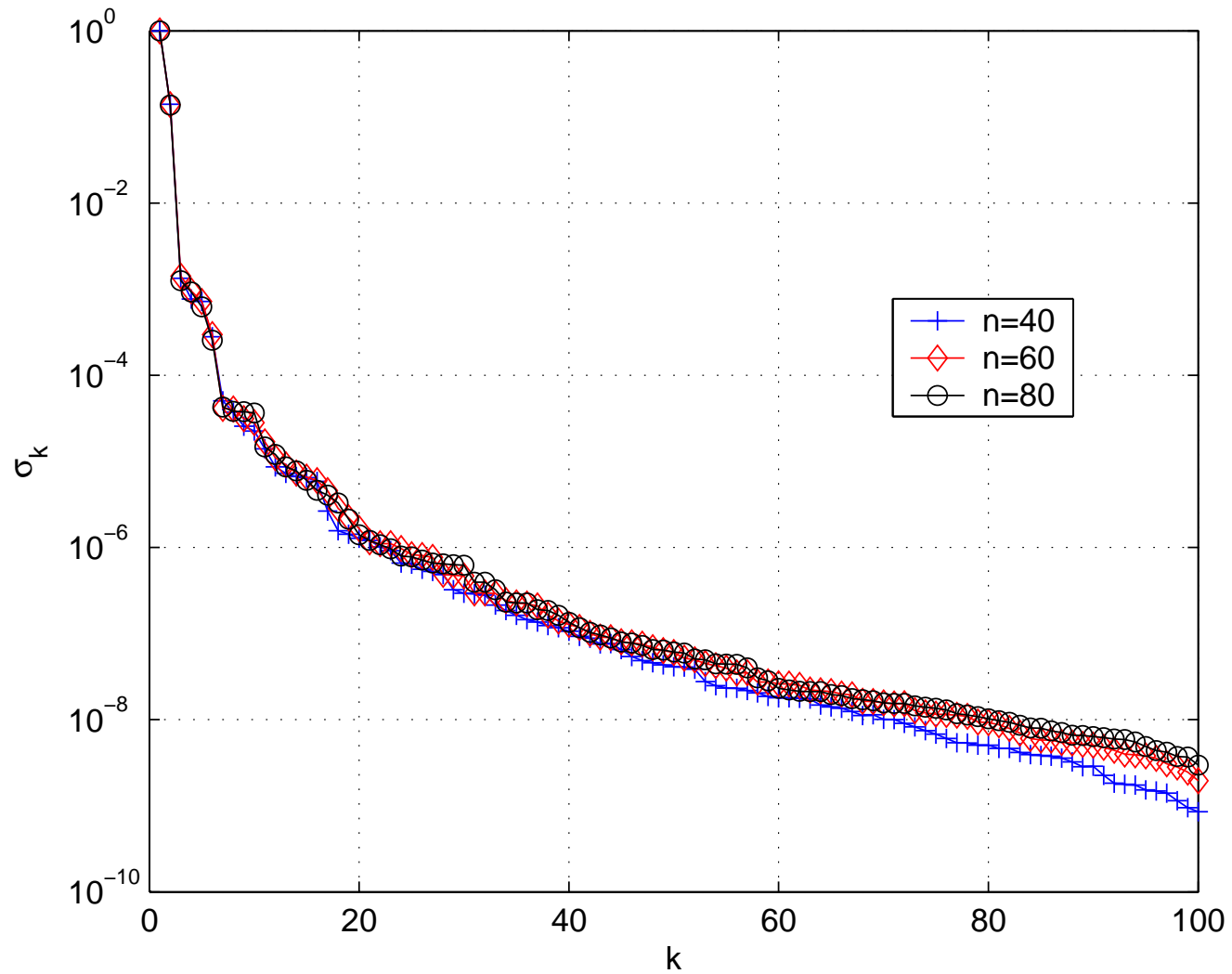
1. Compute  $M_{i+1} = 2M_i - M_i \mathbf{A} M_i$  using separated matrix-matrix multiply.
2. Apply rank reduction to  $M_{i+1}$ ; repeat from 1 until  $\|M_{i+1} - M_i\| \leq \epsilon$ .

*For fixed-rank banded matrices, cost per iteration is  $\mathcal{O}(N^{\frac{1}{d}})$ .*

*Number of iterations depends only weakly on  $N$  since  $\mathbf{A}$  is well-conditioned.*

Even if  $\rho(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\rho(\mathbf{A}^{-1})$  are small, how do we keep intermediate ranks small?

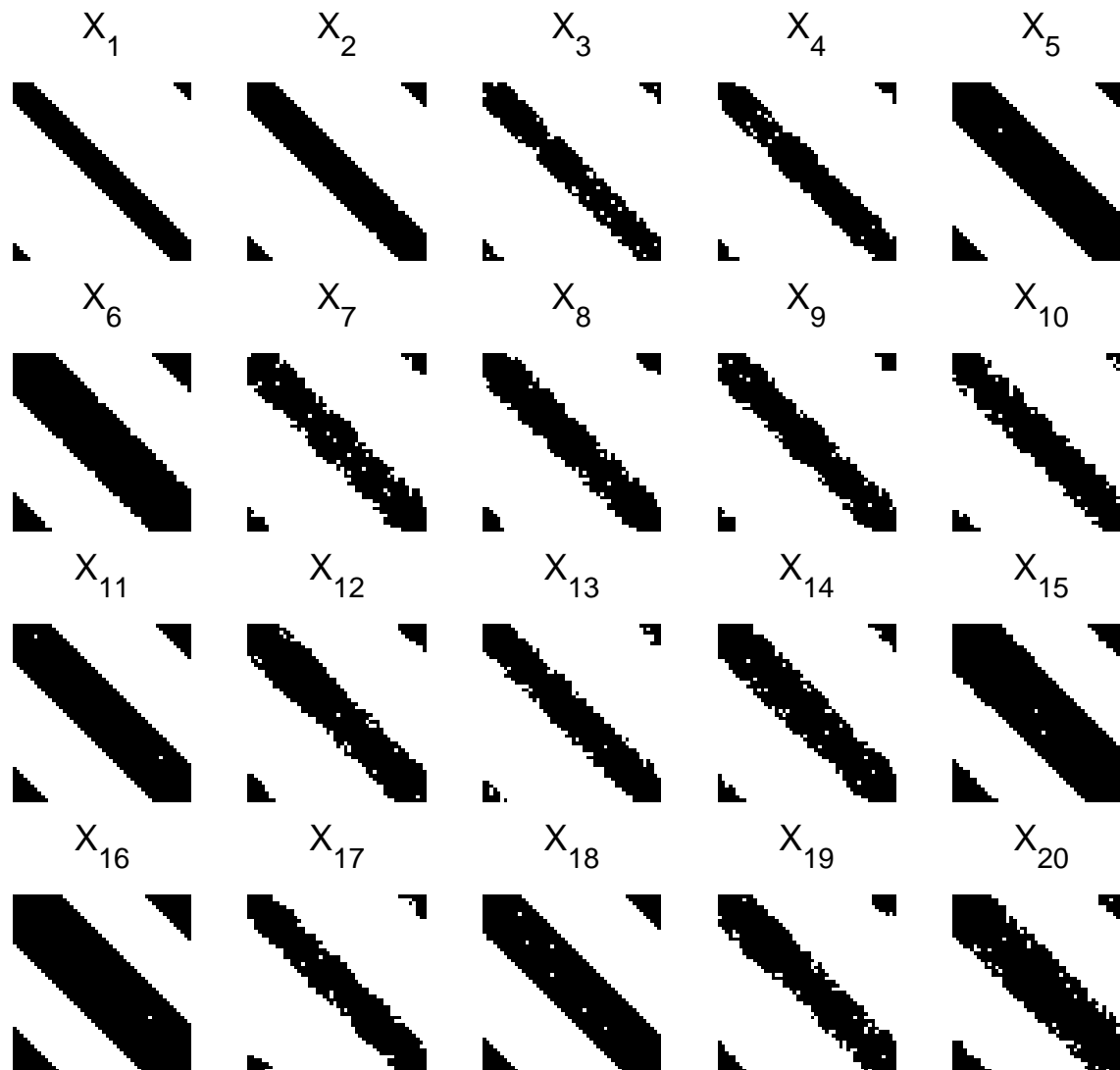
## Numerical results: $\rho(\mathbf{R})$ vs. $n$



$$S = D_-^x V D_+^x + D_-^y V D_+^y, n = 40, 60, 80, \rho(S) = 4.$$

$V$  chosen to be pseudorandom.

## Banded matrices

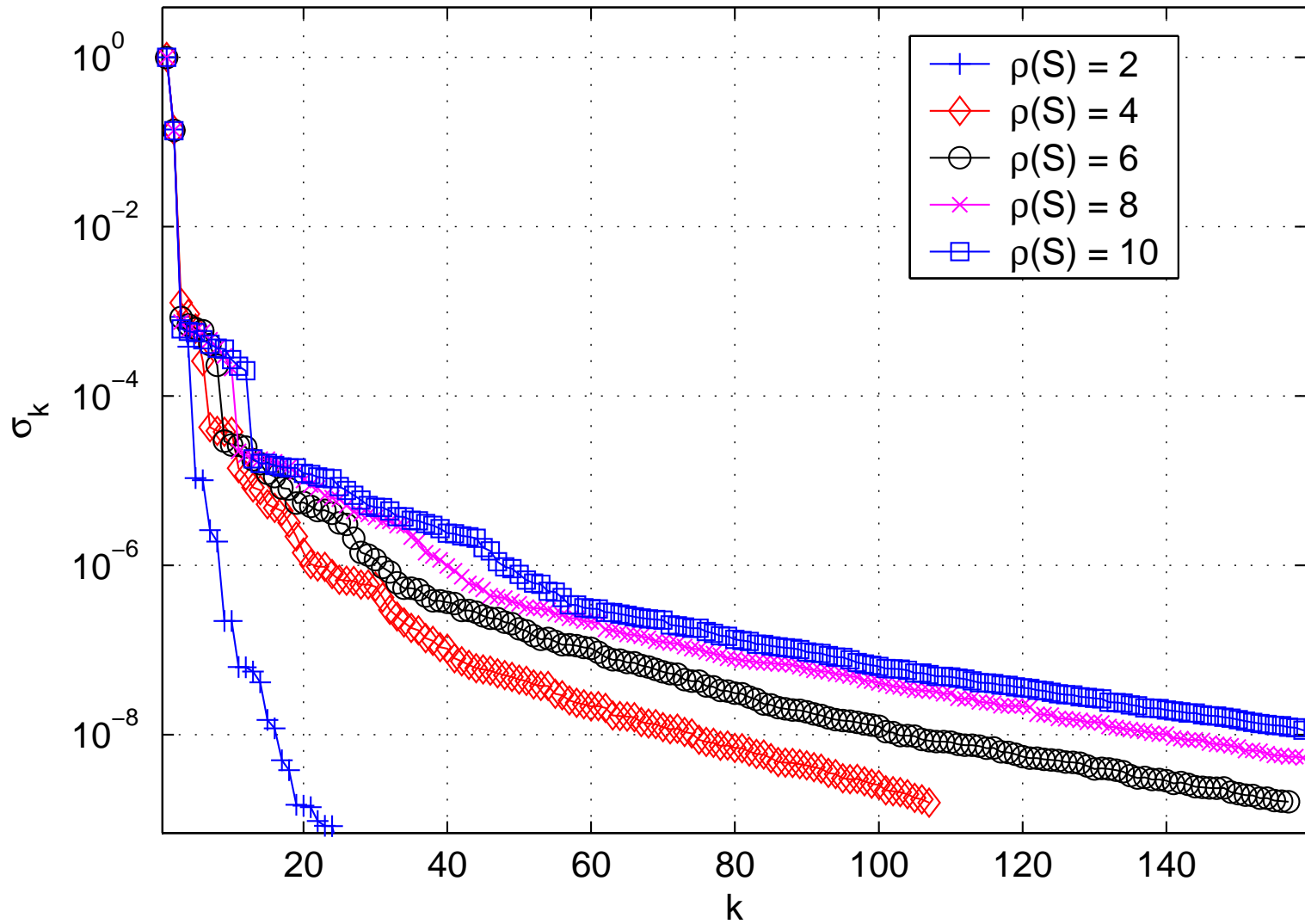


$$n = 50, \rho(S) = 4, \rho(R) = 20$$

matrix entries truncated below threshold value.

$\rho(\mathbf{R})$  vs.  $\rho(S)$

$$S = D_-^x V D_+^x + D_-^y V D_+^y, n = 80.$$



### $\rho(S)$ vs. $\rho(R)$

At a given truncation level, the relationship between  $\rho(S)$  and  $\rho(R)$  appears nearly linear:

At  $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$ , we have

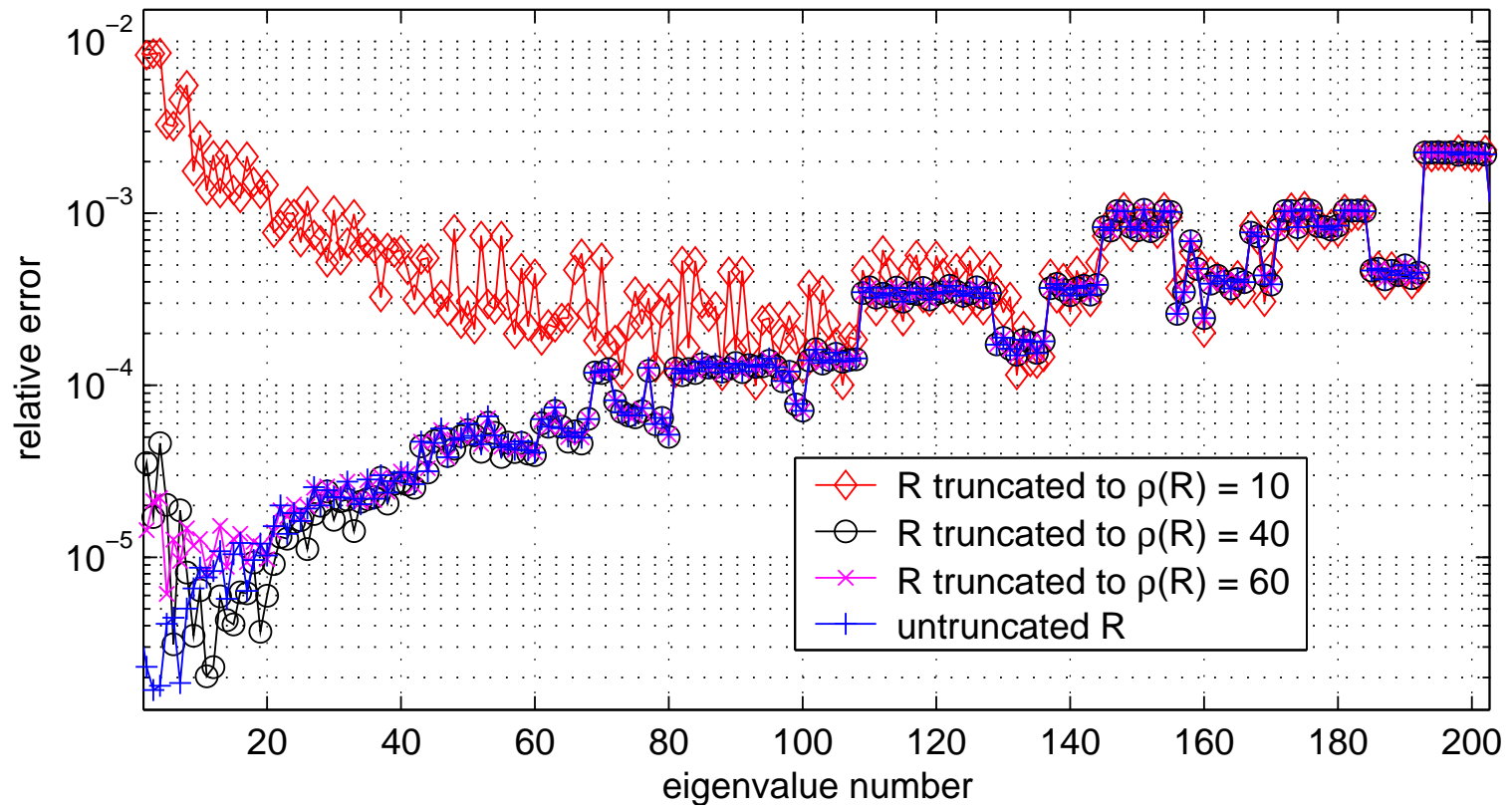
$\rho(S)$	4	6	8	10
$\rho(R)$	6	8	10	12

At  $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$ , we have

$\rho(S)$	4	6	8	10
$\rho(R)$	21	30	39	47

## Eigenvalue approximation

The smaller eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{R}$  approximate those of  $S$  well (see Beylkin + Coult 1998). Truncating separation values of  $\mathbf{R}$  perturbs the eigenvalues.



$$n = 80, \rho(S) = 4.$$



## Future Work

- More general estimates of  $\rho(S)$  vs.  $\rho(\mathbf{R}_S)$ .
- Homogenized coefficients for  $\nabla \cdot (\mu(\mathbf{x})\nabla)$
- Efficient 3D implementation.
- Wave propagation in highly heterogeneous media.

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