# Homogenization for Poisson equations in domains with concentrated holes

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**Abstract.** We consider solutions  $u^{\varepsilon}$  of Poisson problems with the Dirichlet condition on domains  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  with holes concentrated at subsets of a domain  $\Omega$  nonperiodically. We show  $u^{\varepsilon}$  converges to a solution of a Poisson problem with a simple function potential. This is a generalized result of a sample model given by Cioranescu and Murat (1997). They showed a result for case that holes are distributed at  $\Omega$  periodically.

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# §1. Introduction

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d, d \geq 2$  be open and bounded with  $C^2$  boundary. We consider a union  $T_{\varepsilon}$  of holes concentrated at subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  as Figure 1, and domains  $\Omega_{\varepsilon} = \Omega \setminus T_{\varepsilon}$ . We consider Poisson problems on  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  with the homogeneous Dirichlet condition with  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ , that is,

(1.1) 
$$u^{\varepsilon} \in H_0^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon}), \quad -\Delta u^{\varepsilon} = f.$$

We will see  $u^{\varepsilon}$  converge to u as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  which satisfies

(1.2) 
$$u \in H_0^1(\Omega), \quad (-\Delta + V)u = f,$$

where V is a simple function. Details of assumptions for  $T_{\varepsilon}$  and the main result are given in Section 2.1.

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Figure 1: A domain  $\Omega$  and holes  $T_{\varepsilon}$ .

## 1.1. Known results

There are many contributions to characterize the limit u of solutions  $u^{\varepsilon}$  on domains  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  when  $\Omega_{\varepsilon} \to \Omega$  in a proper sense. The PDE of the form (1.2) is often used to characterize the limit u. Many examples with V = 0 are introduced at [6], for example,  $\Omega_{\varepsilon} \to \Omega \setminus K$  metrically with thin K.

On the other hand, there are examples for which  $V \neq 0$ . The case when  $T_{\varepsilon} = \bigcup_{i \in 2\varepsilon \mathbb{Z}^d} \overline{B(i, a_{\varepsilon})}$  with the critical radius  $a_{\varepsilon}$  is introduced at [1, Example 2.1], where  $a_{\varepsilon}$  satisfies the same condition for  $a_{\varepsilon,k}$  of (2.3) below. In this case, V is a constant. A similar result for Robin condition is given by [5] with a different critical radius and a different constant V. These results can be regarded as a strong resolvent convergence of Laplacian, and they were improved to a norm resolvent convergence of Laplacian with Dirichlet, Robin and Neumann conditions by [2]. In these cases, V is still a constant.

Other examples for which  $V \neq 0$  are also introduced at [1, Example 2.9]. If  $T_{\varepsilon}$  is a union of holes on a hyper plane, V is a Dirac measure supported on the hyper plane.

As for randomly perforated domains, convergence of solutions in a proper sense with holes whose centers are generated by either Poisson or stationary point process is given by [3], [4] with a constant V.

## §2. Assumption and the main result

#### 2.1. Assumption

We denote Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  by  $|\cdot|$ . We use a class  $\mathcal{J}$  of sets to determine where holes concentrate.

### **Definition 1.** Let

$$\mathcal{J} = \{ E \subset \mathbb{R}^d \mid |\partial E| = 0 \}.$$

**Remark 1.** If  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $|\overline{E}| < \infty$ ,  $E \in \mathcal{J}$  if and only if  $|\overline{E}| = |\mathring{E}|$  by  $\partial E = \overline{E} \setminus |\mathring{E}|$ . Elements of  $\mathcal{J}$  are measurable by completeness of Lebesgue measure.

We shall construct holes  $T_{\varepsilon}$  as follows (see Figure 2). Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\{F_k\}_{k=1}^m \subset \mathcal{J}$  be a collection of disjoint sets and  $\{N_k\}_{k=1}^m \subset \mathbb{N}$ . We use  $\bigsqcup$  instead of  $\bigcup$  for the disjoint union of sets. Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be measurable and bounded, and  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be countable such that

(2.1) 
$$\mathbb{R}^{d} = \bigsqcup_{i \in \Lambda} (A+i) \ (A+i = \{x+i \mid x \in A\}).$$

For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and R > 0, we denote  $B(x, R) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid |x - y| < R\}$ . Choose small C > 0 with

(2.2) 
$$|A| > \max_{k \le m} N_k |B(0,C)|.$$

We denote  $A_i^{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon(A+i) = \{\varepsilon x \mid x \in A+i\}$ . Remark  $\mathbb{R}^d = \bigsqcup_{i \in \Lambda} A_i^{\varepsilon}$  follows from (2.1) for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

**Definition 2.** For  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let

$$\Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E) = \{ i \in \Lambda \mid A_{i}^{\varepsilon} \subset E \}, \quad \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{+}(E) = \{ i \in \Lambda \mid A_{i}^{\varepsilon} \cap E \neq \emptyset \}.$$

For  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_k)$  (such k is unique for each i), consider centers of holes  $\{x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon} \mid j = 1, ..., N_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $\bigsqcup_{j=1}^{N_k} B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, C\varepsilon) \subset A_i^{\varepsilon}$  for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$ . We omit to write  $(\varepsilon \to 0)$  for convergence of sequences indexed by  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Consider radii of holes  $a_{\varepsilon,k}$  with the following condition for  $1 \le k \le m$ :

(2.3) 
$$\varepsilon^{-d} \times \begin{cases} (-\log a_{\varepsilon,k})^{-1} & (d=2)\\ (a_{\varepsilon,k})^{d-2} & (d\geq 3) \end{cases} \to \tilde{\mu_k} \in [0,\infty).$$

We recall that  $\Omega$  is bounded, open with  $C^2$  boundary. We denote

$$T_{\varepsilon,k} = \bigsqcup_{i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_{k}), j \leq N_{k}} \overline{B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, a_{\varepsilon,k})}, \quad T_{\varepsilon} = \bigsqcup_{k=1}^{m} T_{\varepsilon,k}, \quad \Omega_{\varepsilon} = \Omega \setminus T_{\varepsilon}.$$

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Figure 2: Construction of holes  $T_{\varepsilon}$  with m = 2,  $N_1 = 6$ ,  $N_2 = 2$ .

## 2.2. Result

Using the surface area  $S_d$  of  $\partial B(0,1)$ , we write  $\mu_d = \frac{S_d}{|A|} \times \begin{cases} 1 & (d=2) \\ d-2 & (d \ge 3) \end{cases}$ . For  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , we denote  $1_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & (x \in E) \\ 0 & (x \notin E) \end{cases}$ . Our main result is stated as follows.

**Theorem 1.** Under the assumptions as in Section 2.1,  $u^{\varepsilon}$  in (1.1) converges to u weakly in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  and the limit u solves (1.2) with

$$V = \mu_d \sum_{k=1}^m \tilde{\mu_k} N_k \mathbf{1}_{F_k}.$$

**Remark 2.** [1, Example 2.1] is just Theorem 1 with  $F_1 = \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $A = [-1, 1)^d$ ,  $\Lambda = 2\mathbb{Z}^d$ ,  $N_1 = 1, x_{i,1}^{\varepsilon} = i\varepsilon$ . It means holes are distributed on  $\Omega$  periodically. We generalized it for the case where holes distributed concentrated at  $F_k$  non-periodically. Moreover, each  $F_k$  can have different density  $\tilde{\mu}_k N_k$ .

# 2.3. Outline of proof

The proof of our main result is based on the theorem below.

**Theorem 2** ([1, Theorem 1.2]). Assume that  $T_{\varepsilon} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is closed for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Assume there is a sequence

(H.1) 
$$\{w^{\varepsilon}\} \subset H^1(\Omega)$$

satisfying

(H.2) 
$$w^{\varepsilon} = 0 \text{ on } T_{\varepsilon} \text{ for each } \varepsilon > 0,$$

(H.3) 
$$w^{\varepsilon} \to 1 \text{ weakly in } H^1(\Omega),$$

and there is

(H.4) 
$$V \in W^{-1,\infty}(\Omega)$$

(thus,  $V \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$ ) such that

(H.5) 
$$\begin{array}{l} \langle -\Delta w^{\varepsilon}, \varphi v^{\varepsilon} \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \to \langle V, \varphi v \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \\ if \varphi \in C_0^{\infty}(\Omega), \ v^{\varepsilon} = 0 \ on \ T_{\varepsilon}. \ v^{\varepsilon} \to v \ weakly \ in \ H^1(\Omega). \end{array}$$

Then,  $u^{\varepsilon}$  in (1.1) converges to  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  weakly in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  where u is solution to (1.2).

We check the conditions (H.1)-(H.5) to prove Theorem 1. As mentioned in [1], it is not unusual that assuming the condition (H.5).

We first prepare some lemmas in Section 3.1, and we introduce  $w^{\varepsilon}$  and verify the conditions (H.1)–(H.4) in Section 3.2. Finally, we check the condition (H.5) in Section 3.3 and complete the proof of Theorem 1.

# §3. Proof

## **3.1.** Approximation of sets by tiles $A_i^{\varepsilon}$

We first state some properties for  $\mathcal{J}$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $E_1, E_2 \in \mathcal{J}$ , then  $|\overline{E_1 \cap E_2}| = |(E_1 \cap E_2)^\circ|$ .

*Proof.* A distributive property for sets shows  $\overline{E_1 \cap E_2} \subset \overline{E_1} \cap \overline{E_2} = (\mathring{E_1} \sqcup \partial E_1) \cap (\mathring{E_2} \sqcup \partial E_2) = (\mathring{E_1} \cap \mathring{E_2}) \cup E = (E_1 \cap E_2)^\circ \cup E$  with some E satisfying |E| = 0.

**Definition 3.** For  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let

$$A_{\varepsilon}^{\pm}(E) = \bigsqcup_{i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{\pm}(E)} A_{i}^{\varepsilon}.$$

We remark that  $A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E) \subset E \subset A_{\varepsilon}^{+}(E)$ . We will see that they are approximations of E by Lemmas 2 and 3 below.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be measurable and bounded, and satisfy  $|E| = |\overline{E}|$ . Then  $|A_{\varepsilon}^+(E)| \to |E|$ .

*Proof.* Let  $d_{\varepsilon} = \operatorname{diam}(\varepsilon A)$ . Then  $d_{\varepsilon} \to 0$ . Let  $E_{\varepsilon} = \bigcup_{x \in E} \overline{B(x, d_{\varepsilon})}$ . Then  $\bigcap_{\varepsilon > 0} E_{\varepsilon} = \overline{E}$  and  $|E_{\varepsilon}| < \infty$ . Thus  $|E_{\varepsilon}| \to |\overline{E}| = |E|$ . The assertion follows from it and  $E_{\varepsilon} \supset A_{\varepsilon}^+(E) \supset E$ .

**Lemma 3.** Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a measurable set such that  $|\mathring{E}| = |E|$ . Then  $|A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E)| \to |E|$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V = \mathring{E}, g(x) = \text{dist}(x, \partial V), \ d_{\varepsilon} = \text{diam}(\varepsilon A)$  and

$$V_{-\varepsilon} = V \cap g^{-1}((d_{\varepsilon}, \infty)).$$

Then  $\bigcup_{\varepsilon>0} V_{-\varepsilon} = V$  since V is open. The assertion follows from  $V_{-\varepsilon} \subset A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(V) \subset E$ . We verify  $V_{-\varepsilon} \subset A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(V)$ . Let  $x \in V_{-\varepsilon}$ . There is  $i \in \Lambda$  that  $x \in A_{\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon}$ . We show  $i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(V)$ . It is equivalence with  $\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus V \subset \mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus A_{\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon}$ . If  $y \notin V$ , we can get  $p \in \partial V$  from line segment which contain  $\{x, y\}$ . It is  $p_{t} = (1-t)x + ty$  with minimal  $t \in [0, 1]$  that  $p_{t} \notin V$ . Construction of p imply  $|x-y| = |x-p| + |p-y| \ge \operatorname{dist}(x, \partial V) > d_{\varepsilon}$ . Thus  $y \notin A_{\varepsilon}^{\varepsilon}$ . Thus  $i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(V)$ .  $\Box$ 

We can count how many tiles  $A_{\varepsilon}^{\pm}(E)$  has.

**Lemma 4.** For  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the number of elements of  $\Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{\pm}(E)$  is  $\frac{|A_{\varepsilon}^{\pm}(E)|}{\varepsilon^d |A|}$ .

We say E is a cube if  $E = [0, R)^d + x$  with some  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d, R > 0$ . We prepare lemmas related to weak star topology of  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d) = L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)^*$ . We denote  $\langle g, h \rangle_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)^*} = \int ghdx$  for  $g \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d) = L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)^*, h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**Lemma 5.** Let  $\{g_{\varepsilon}\} \subset L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be bounded and  $g \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . If

$$\langle g_{\varepsilon}, 1_E \rangle_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)^*} \to \langle g, 1_E \rangle_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)^*}$$

for any cube  $E, g_{\varepsilon} \to g$  weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

*Proof.* If follows from the fact that the vector space generated by  $\{1_E | E : \text{cube}\}$  is dense at  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . And the fact follows from the facts that the set of simple functions on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is dense in  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , the Lebesgue measure is outer regular and any open set can be represented as the union of disjoint countable cubes.

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**Lemma 6.** If  $f_{\varepsilon} \to f$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $|f_{\varepsilon}| \leq 1$  for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$  and  $g_{\varepsilon} \to g$  weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , we have  $f_{\varepsilon}g_{\varepsilon} \to fg$  weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

*Proof.* The existence of a subsequence of  $f_{\varepsilon}$  converging to f a.e. gives  $|f| \leq 1$  a.e. The assertion follows from  $c := \sup_{\varepsilon > 0} \|g_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty$ , Lemma 5, and  $|\langle f_{\varepsilon}g_{\varepsilon} - fg, 1_E \rangle| \leq c \|f_{\varepsilon} - f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \|1_E\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} + |\langle g_{\varepsilon} - g, f1_E \rangle|$  for any cube E.

# **3.2.** Error corrector $w^{\varepsilon}$

By (2.3), we have  $\frac{\max_k a_{\varepsilon,k}}{\varepsilon} \to 0$ . Thus  $\max_{k \leq m} a_{\varepsilon,k} < C\varepsilon$  for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$  (recall C > 0 is chosen to satisfy (2.2)). Let

$$w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{\log a_{\varepsilon,k} - \log r}{\log a_{\varepsilon,k} - \log C\varepsilon} & (d=2), \\ \frac{(a_{\varepsilon,k})^{-d+2} - r^{-d+2}}{(a_{\varepsilon,k})^{-d+2} - (C\varepsilon)^{-d+2}} & (d\ge3), \end{cases} (a_{\varepsilon,k} \le r \le C\varepsilon), \\ B_{\varepsilon,k} = \bigsqcup_{i\in\Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_{k}), j\le N_{k}} B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, C\varepsilon), \quad B_{\varepsilon} = \bigsqcup_{k=1}^{m} B_{\varepsilon,k}, \\ w^{\varepsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & (x \in T_{\varepsilon}), \\ w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(|x - x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}|) & (x \in B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, C\varepsilon) \setminus B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, a_{\varepsilon,k})), \\ 1 & (x \notin B_{\varepsilon}). \end{cases}$$

Then we have

(3.1) 
$$\Delta w^{\varepsilon} = 0 \text{ on } B_{\varepsilon} \setminus T_{\varepsilon}.$$

and (H.2). We need the limit of  $1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}$  to analyze  $w^{\varepsilon}$ .

Lemma 7. 
$$1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}} \to \frac{N_k |B(0,C)|}{|A|} 1_{F_k} = \frac{N_k C^d S_d}{d|A|} 1_{F_k}$$
 weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

*Proof.* Let *E* be a cube. By  $|B_{\varepsilon,k} \cap A_i^{\varepsilon}| = \begin{cases} N_k |B(0, C\varepsilon)| & (i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^-(F_k)) \\ 0 & (i \notin \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^-(F_k)) \end{cases}$ . Lemma 4 and  $B_{\varepsilon,k} \subset F_k$ , we have

$$\frac{|A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E \cap F_{k})|}{\varepsilon^{d}|A|}N_{k}|B(0,C\varepsilon)| = |B_{\varepsilon,k} \cap A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E \cap F_{k})| \le \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, 1_{E} \right\rangle_{L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{d})^{*}} \le \frac{|A_{\varepsilon}^{+}(E \cap F_{k})|}{\varepsilon^{d}|A|}N_{k}|B(0,C\varepsilon)|.$$

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By Lemmas 1 to 3,

$$\frac{|A_{\varepsilon}^{-}(E\cap F_{k})|}{\varepsilon^{d}|A|}N_{k}|B(0,C\varepsilon)| \to \frac{|E\cap F_{k}|N_{k}|B(0,C)|}{|A|} = \left\langle \frac{N_{k}|B(0,C)|}{|A|}1_{F_{k}}, 1_{E} \right\rangle.$$

These, Lemma 5 and  $|B(0,C)| = \frac{S_d C^d}{d}$  imply the assertion.

Lemma 8. We have (H.1) and (H.3)

*Proof.* For  $i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_k)$ ,  $j \leq N_k$ ,  $k \leq m$ , We have

$$\begin{split} \|\boldsymbol{\nabla}\boldsymbol{w}^{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(B(\boldsymbol{x}_{i,j}^{\varepsilon},C\varepsilon)\setminus\overline{B(\boldsymbol{x}_{i,j}^{\varepsilon},a_{\varepsilon,k})})}^{2} &= S_{d}\int_{a_{\varepsilon,k}}^{C\varepsilon}|\partial_{r}\boldsymbol{w}_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(r)|^{2}r^{d-1}dr\\ &= S_{d}\begin{cases} \frac{1}{\log C\varepsilon - \log a_{\varepsilon,k}} & (d=2),\\ \frac{d-2}{(a_{\varepsilon,k})^{-d+2} - (C\varepsilon)^{-d+2}} & (d\geq3), \end{cases} \end{split}$$

which along with  $|w^{\varepsilon}| \leq 1$  implies  $w^{\varepsilon}$  is an extension of an  $H^1_{loc}(B_{\varepsilon} \setminus T_{\varepsilon})$  function by the boundary values on  $\partial(B_{\varepsilon} \setminus T_{\varepsilon})$ . Thus,  $\nabla w^{\varepsilon}$  in the distributional sense coincides with the pointwise, classical derivative and

$$\|\boldsymbol{\nabla} w^{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(A_{i}^{\varepsilon})}^{2} = \begin{cases} \frac{N_{k}S_{d}}{\log C\varepsilon - \log a_{\varepsilon,k}} & (i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_{k}), \ d = 2), \\ \frac{N_{k}S_{d}(d-2)}{(a_{\varepsilon,k})^{-d+2} - (C\varepsilon)^{-d+2}} & (i \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_{k}), \ d \ge 3), \\ 0 & (i \notin \bigcup_{k \le m} \Lambda_{\varepsilon}^{-}(F_{k})). \end{cases}$$

Using (2.3) for them, we have  $c := \sup_{\varepsilon > 0, i \in \Lambda} \varepsilon^{-d} \| \nabla w^{\varepsilon} \|_{L^{2}(A_{i}^{\varepsilon})}^{2} < \infty$ . Thus  $\| \nabla w^{\varepsilon} \|_{L^{2}(A^{\varepsilon})}^{2} \le c \varepsilon^{d}$ . It and Lemmas 2 and 4 imply

$$\|\boldsymbol{\nabla} w^{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq \|\boldsymbol{\nabla} w^{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(A^{+}_{\varepsilon}(\Omega))}^{2} \leq \frac{|A^{+}_{\varepsilon}(\Omega)|}{\varepsilon^{d}|A|} c\varepsilon^{d} \leq \frac{c|\bigcup_{x\in\Omega} B(x,1)|}{|A|} \ (\varepsilon\ll 1),$$

which together with  $|w^{\varepsilon}| \leq 1$  implies (H.1), and  $\{w^{\varepsilon}\} \subset H^{1}(\Omega)$  is bounded.

Consider any subsequences of  $\{w^{\varepsilon}\}$  (we still denote  $w^{\varepsilon}$ ) which converge weakly in  $H^1(\Omega)$ , and let  $w = \text{w-}\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} w^{\varepsilon}$ . We show w = 1. Let  $F = \bigsqcup_k F_k$ . Rellich's theorem gives  $w^{\varepsilon} \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus F} = \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus F}$  tend to  $w \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus F} = \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus F}$  in  $L^2(\Omega)$ . Thus, w = 1 a.e. on  $\Omega \setminus F$ . On the other hand, Lemma 7 gives  $\mathbb{1}_{F_k \setminus B_{\varepsilon,k}} = \mathbb{1}_{F_k}(1 - \mathbb{1}_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}) \to \mathbb{1}_{F_k}(1 - c_k \mathbb{1}_{F_k}) = (1 - c_k)\mathbb{1}_{F_k}$  weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  where  $c_k = \frac{N_k |B(0,C)|}{|A|}$ . Hence  $w^{\varepsilon} \mathbb{1}_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_{F_k \setminus B_{\varepsilon,k}} = \mathbb{1}_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_{F_k \setminus B_{\varepsilon,k}}$  tends to  $w \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(1 - c_k)\mathbb{1}_{F_k} = \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(1 - c_k)\mathbb{1}_{F_k}$  weakly star in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for each k by Lemma 6. Since  $0 < c_k < 1$ by (2.2), we have w = 1 on  $\Omega \cap F_k$ . Since  $\mathbb{R}^d = (\mathbb{R}^d \setminus F) \cup (\sqcup_k F_k)$ , we have w = 1 on  $\Omega$ . We use a special function to analyze a distribution  $-\Delta w^{\varepsilon}$ . Let

$$q_0^{\varepsilon}(r) = \frac{r^2 - (C\varepsilon)^2}{2} \ (0 \le r \le C\varepsilon),$$
$$q^{\varepsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} q_0^{\varepsilon}(|x - x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}|) & (x \in B(x_{i,j}^{\varepsilon}, C\varepsilon))\\ 0 & (x \notin B_{\varepsilon}) \end{cases}.$$

Then we have

(3.2) 
$$-\Delta q^{\varepsilon} = -d \ (x \in B_{\varepsilon}), \ \partial_r q_0^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon) = C\varepsilon, \ q_0^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon) = 0.$$

Now we decompose the restricted distribution  $(-\Delta w^{\varepsilon})|_{H^1_0(\Omega_{\varepsilon})}$  by using  $q^{\varepsilon}$ . Lemma 9. Suppose  $v \in H^1_0(\Omega_{\varepsilon})$ . Then we have

$$\langle -\Delta w^{\varepsilon}, v \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} = \sum_{k \le m} \frac{\partial_r w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon)}{C\varepsilon} \left( \int_{B_{\varepsilon,k}} \nabla q^{\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla v dx + d \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right).$$

*Proof.* By (3.2) and integration by parts,

$$\int_{B_{\varepsilon,k}} \boldsymbol{\nabla} q^{\varepsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} v dx = C \varepsilon \int_{\partial B_{\varepsilon,k}} v d\sigma - d \left\langle \mathbf{1}_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

for  $v \in H_0^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon})$ . By assumption,  $\int_{\partial T_{\varepsilon,k}} v d\sigma = 0$ . Using them and (3.1), we have

$$\begin{split} \langle -\Delta w^{\varepsilon}, v \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} &= \sum_{k \leq m} \int_{B_{\varepsilon,k} \setminus T_{\varepsilon,k}} \nabla w^{\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla v dx = \sum_{k \leq m} \partial_r w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon) \int_{\partial B_{\varepsilon,k}} v d\sigma \\ &= \sum_{k \leq m} \frac{\partial_r w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon)}{C\varepsilon} \left( \int_{B_{\varepsilon,k}} \nabla q^{\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla v dx + d \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

The following lemma is very similar to (H.5).

**Lemma 10.** Suppose that  $v^{\varepsilon} \in H_0^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon})$  and  $v^{\varepsilon} \to v$  weakly in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ , Then

$$\langle -\Delta w^{\varepsilon}, v^{\varepsilon} \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \rightarrow \left\langle \mu_d \sum_{k=1}^m \tilde{\mu}_k N_k \mathbf{1}_{F_k}, v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

*Proof.* By (2.3), we have  $\frac{\partial_r w_{0,k}^{\varepsilon}(C\varepsilon)}{C\varepsilon} \to \frac{\tilde{\mu_k}}{C^d} \times \begin{cases} 1 & (d=2) \\ d-2 & (d \ge 3) \end{cases}$ . We also have

$$\left|\int_{B_{\varepsilon,k}} \boldsymbol{\nabla} q^{\varepsilon} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} v^{\varepsilon} dx\right| \leq C \varepsilon \sup_{\delta > 0} \left\| v^{\delta} \right\|_{W^{1,1}(\Omega)} \to 0.$$

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Rellich's theorem gives  $|\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v^{\varepsilon} - v \rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}| \leq ||1||_{L^{2}(\Omega)} ||v^{\varepsilon} - v||_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \to 0.$ It and Lemma 7 give

$$\begin{split} \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v^{\varepsilon} \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} &= \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, v^{\varepsilon} - v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} + \left\langle 1_{B_{\varepsilon,k}}, 1_{\Omega} v \right\rangle_{L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{d})^{*}} \\ &\to \left\langle \frac{N_{k} C^{d} S_{d}}{d|A|} 1_{F_{k}}, v \right\rangle_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}. \end{split}$$

The assertion follows from these limit and Lemma 9.

# 3.3. Proof of Theorem 1

Proof. Since  $V = \mu_d \sum_{k=1}^m \tilde{\mu_k} N_k \mathbf{1}_{F_k} \in L^{\infty}(\Omega) = L^1(\Omega)^* \subset W^{-1,\infty}(\Omega)$ , we have (H.4). We shall verify (H.5). Indeed, the multiplier of  $\varphi : H^1(\Omega) \to H^1_0(\Omega)$  is a bounded operator. Thus,  $\varphi v^{\varepsilon} \to \varphi v$  weakly in  $H^1_0(\Omega)$ . It and Lemma 10 imply (H.5). Since we already checked (H.1)–(H.3) in Section 3.2, Theorem 1 follows from Theorem 2.

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