

# Fully nonlinear equations in thin domains: a test function approach

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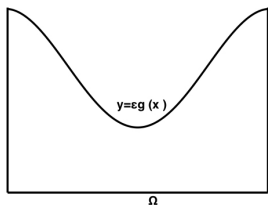
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The classical result of Hale and Raugel in thin domains studies the asymptotic behaviour, as  $\varepsilon$  goes to zero, of  $u_\varepsilon$ , solution of

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where  $\Omega_\varepsilon = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R} : x \in \Omega, 0 < y < \varepsilon g(x)\}$ , for some



$g$  such that  $0 < \inf_{\Omega} g \leq \sup_{\Omega} g < \infty$ .

Hale and Raugel (1989) have proved:

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If  $g \in C^3(\bar{\Omega})$  then  $u_\varepsilon$  converges to  $u_o$  solution of

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This result has been extended in a wide variety of related problems all in a variational setting:

- **Arrieta, Pereira** *Homogenization in a thin domain with an oscillatory boundary* J. Math. Pure Appl (2011)
- **Arrieta, Nogueira, Pereira**.... *oscillatory boundaries* Comput. Math. Appl. (2019)
- **Arrieta, Villanueva-Pesqueira**..... *doubly weak oscillatory boundary*, Preprint 2024
- **Arrieta, Nakasato, Villanueva-Pesqueira** *Homogenization in 3D thin domains ...* Preprint 2024

$$-\Delta u_\varepsilon + u_\varepsilon = f(x, y) \rightarrow -(\Delta u_o + \frac{Dg \cdot Du_o}{g}) + u_o = f(x, 0)$$

Where does the "new term" come from? If we make the change of variables  $X = x$ , and  $Y = y\varepsilon g(x)$  i.e.  $\Omega_\varepsilon$  becomes the flat cylindrical set  $Q = \Omega \times (0, 1)$  then the equation becomes

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{1}{g} \operatorname{div}(B_\varepsilon Dv_\varepsilon) + v_\varepsilon = f & \text{in } Q \\ \partial_\nu v_\varepsilon = 0 & \text{on } \partial Q \end{cases}$$

with

$$B_\varepsilon Dv_\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} gDv - yv_y Dg \\ -yDg \cdot Dv + \frac{v_y}{\varepsilon^2 g} (1 + \varepsilon^2 |Dg|^2 y) \end{bmatrix}.$$

So using the weak solution formulation:

$$\int_Q \left( \frac{1}{g} B_\varepsilon Dv_\varepsilon \cdot D\varphi - B_\varepsilon \frac{Dv_\varepsilon \cdot Dg}{g^2} \varphi \right) dx dy + \int_Q v_\varepsilon \varphi dx dy = \int_Q f(x, \varepsilon g(x)y) \varphi dx dy$$

By a priori bounds,  $\partial_y v_\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  and hence the limit equation becomes

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But if the equation is not variational, what happens? how do we recover the limit equation. Use [L. C. Evans test function](#) approach.

# Heuristic

Where does the term come from without integration by part?

Recall that for  $v_\varepsilon(x, y) := u_\varepsilon(x, \varepsilon g(x)y)$ :

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So we may use the following *ansatz*:

$$v_\varepsilon(x, y) = w(x) + \varepsilon^2 k(x) \frac{y^2}{2} + o(\varepsilon^2).$$

Substituting the ansatz in the equation, we let, formally  $\varepsilon$  go to zero, after a tedious but simple computation it is easy to see that we obtain

$$-\operatorname{tr}\left(\begin{pmatrix} D^2 w(x) & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{k(x)}{g^2(x)} \end{pmatrix}\right) + w = f.$$

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Passing to the limit we find

$$k(x) = g(x) Dg(x) \cdot Dw(x) \text{ i.e. } \frac{k(x)}{g^2} = \frac{Dg(x) \cdot Dw(x)}{g}$$

i.e. the limit equation is indeed.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\text{tr} \left( \begin{pmatrix} D^2 w & 0 \\ 0 & Dg \cdot Dw/g \end{pmatrix} \right) + w = f(x, 0) \text{ in } \Omega, \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial \nu} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega. \end{array} \right.$$

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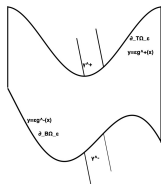
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For  $\varepsilon$  small,  $\Omega_\varepsilon = \{(x, y) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R} : \varepsilon g^-(x) < y < \varepsilon g^+(x)\}$ ,  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ . We denote by

- $\partial_T \Omega_\varepsilon$  the top boundary i.e.  $y = \varepsilon g^+(x)$ ,
- $\partial_B \Omega_\varepsilon$  the bottom of the domain i.e.  $y = \varepsilon g^-$
- $\partial_L \Omega_\varepsilon$  the lateral boundary i.e.  $\partial\Omega \times [\varepsilon g^-, \varepsilon g^+]$ .



We suppose that  $g^\pm \in C^1(\overline{\Omega})$  and  $g^- < g^+$ .

Because of the corners, in the framework of viscosity solutions, we will need to treat with special care the boundary.

# Oblique boundary condition-BBI. The operator.

We treat fully nonlinear equations in thin domains i.e.

$$F(D^2u, Du, u, (x, y)) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega_\varepsilon$$

where  $F : \mathcal{S}(N+1) \times \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \times \mathbb{R} \times \Omega_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a proper functional in the sense of the User's guide

$$(H2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F \in C(\mathcal{S}(N+1) \times \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \times \mathbb{R} \times \Omega_\varepsilon, \mathbb{R}), \\ F(X, p, r, (x, y)) \leq F(Y, p, s, (x, y)) \text{ for } r \leq s, \text{ and } Y \leq X. \end{array} \right.$$

Furthermore, we strengthen the monotonicity condition on  $F$  in the above as follows.

(H3) There exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$\alpha(r - s) \leq F(X, p, r, (x, y)) - F(X, p, s, (x, y))$$

$$\text{for } r \geq s \text{ and } (X, p, (x, y)) \in \mathcal{S}(N+1) \times \mathbb{R}^{N+1} \times \Omega_\varepsilon.$$

We shall call these operators "proper".

# The boundary condition

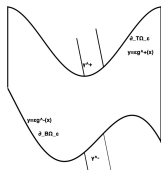
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In general we can treat operators that are **degenerate** elliptic or non linear, but for clarity sake, in this talk, I will begin by presenting the results for  $F(D^2u, u) = -\Delta u + u$  i.e. we consider problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u + u = f & \text{in } \Omega_\varepsilon \\ \gamma \cdot Du = \beta & \text{on } \partial\Omega_\varepsilon \end{cases}$$

Where the boundary condition will be meant in the viscosity sense and will be written:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^+ \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^+ & \text{ on } \partial_T \Omega_\varepsilon & \text{and} & & \gamma^- \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^- & \text{ on } \partial_B \Omega_\varepsilon, \\ \gamma_L \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta_L & & & & & \text{on } \partial_L \Omega_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$



# Oblique boundary condition

Concerning conditions

$$\gamma^+ \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^+ \quad \text{on } \partial_T \Omega_\varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma^- \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^- \quad \text{on } \partial_B \Omega_\varepsilon,$$

we require that  $\gamma^\pm \cdot \nu_\varepsilon > 0$ . Hence if we write

$$\gamma^\pm = (\gamma_1^\pm, \gamma_2^\pm) \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_1(x, y)^\pm \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_2(x, y)^\pm \in \mathbb{R}$$

Then without loss of generality, since  $\pm \gamma_2^\pm > 0$ , we can choose  $\gamma_2^\pm = \pm 1$ .

$$\gamma_1^+ \cdot D_x u^\varepsilon + u_y^\varepsilon = \beta^+ \quad \text{on } \partial_T \Omega_\varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_1^- \cdot D_x u^\varepsilon - u_y^\varepsilon = \beta^- \quad \text{on } \partial_B \Omega_\varepsilon,$$

We assume that for some  $k^\pm \in C(\overline{\Omega}, \mathbb{R}^N)$  and  $l^\pm \in C(\overline{\Omega}, \mathbb{R})$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_1^\pm(x, y) = \gamma_1^\pm(x, 0) + k^\pm(x)y + o(|y|) \\ \beta^\pm(x, y) = \beta^\pm(x, 0) + l^\pm(x)y + o(|y|), \end{cases}$$

as  $y \rightarrow 0$ , where  $o(|y|)/|y| \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on  $\overline{\Omega}$  as  $y \rightarrow 0$ .

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$$\beta^+(x, 0) = -\beta^-(x, 0) := \beta_o(x) \text{ and } \gamma_1^+(x, 0) = -\gamma_1^-(x, 0) := \gamma_o(x).$$

Under the above conditions on the boundary

### Theorem (I.B., A. Briani, H. Ishii)

Let  $u^\varepsilon$  be a viscosity solution to  $-\Delta u^\varepsilon + u^\varepsilon = f$  in  $\Omega_\varepsilon$  with boundary conditions  $\gamma \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta$  as in (17) for  $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0]$ . Then,  $u^\varepsilon$  converges to  $u^0$  a solution in  $\Omega$  of

$$-\Delta u - D^2u \gamma_o(x) \cdot \gamma_o(x) - b(x) \cdot Du - c(x)u + u = f(x, 0).$$

Satisfying  $\gamma_L(x, 0) \cdot u = \beta_L(x, 0)$  on  $\partial\Omega$ . Furthermore

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \max_{(x,y) \in \overline{\Omega_\varepsilon}} |u^\varepsilon(x, y) - u^0(x)| = 0.$$

The values of  $b(x)$  and  $c(x)$  will be written in the next slide.

For general operators  $F$ , for which we require only to be proper, the convergence may not be uniform.



Precisely

$$b(x) = \gamma_o(D\gamma_o)^T - \frac{1}{g^+ - g^-} (g^+ k^+ + g^- k^-), \quad (1)$$

$$c(x) = -\gamma_o \cdot D\beta_o + \frac{1}{g^+ - g^-} (g^+ l^+ + g^- l^-). \quad (2)$$

Recall that  $\gamma^\pm = (\gamma_1^\pm, \pm 1)$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_1^\pm(x, y) = \pm \gamma_o(x) + k^\pm(x)y + o(|y|) \\ \beta^\pm(x, y) = \pm \beta_o(x) + l^\pm(x)y + o(|y|), \end{cases}$$

In the general case, if we consider the problem  $(P_\varepsilon)$

$$F(D^2u_\varepsilon, Du_\varepsilon, u_\varepsilon, (x, y)) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega_\varepsilon, \quad \gamma \cdot Du_\varepsilon = \beta \text{ on } \partial\Omega_\varepsilon,$$

and we call  $S_\varepsilon$  the set of viscosity solutions of this problem.

The limit equation will be defined through

$G : \mathcal{S}(N) \times \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R} \times \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$G(D^2u, Du, u, x) = F(A + B + C, (Du, \beta_o - \gamma_o \cdot Du), u, (x, 0)),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{pmatrix} D^2u & -D^2u\gamma_o(x)^T \\ -\gamma_o(x)D^2u & \gamma_o(x)D^2u\gamma_o(x)^T \end{pmatrix}, \\ B &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -(DuD\gamma_o(x))^T \\ -DuD\gamma_o(x) & b(x) \cdot Du \end{pmatrix}, \\ C &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & D\beta_o(x)^T \\ D\beta_o(x) & c(x) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

So we call  $(P_o)$ , the problem

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Assume that  $F$  is proper, that  $\Omega_\varepsilon$ ,  $g^\pm$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  satisfy the conditions described above. Let  $S_\varepsilon$  be the set of viscosity solutions to the problem  $(P_\varepsilon)$  If we define the half relaxed limits  $u^\pm$  by

$$u^+(x) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \sup_{u \in S_\varepsilon} \{u(\xi, \eta) : (\xi, \eta) \in \overline{\Omega_\varepsilon}, 0 < \varepsilon < r, |\xi - x| < r\},$$

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### Corollary (I.B., A. Briani, H. Ishii)

If  $(P_o)$  satisfies the comparison principle,  $u^+ = u^- = u_o$  and the convergence of  $u_\varepsilon$  to  $u_o$  is uniform.

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$$u^\varepsilon(x, y) = \frac{1}{e^\varepsilon - e^{-\varepsilon}} (e^y + e^{-y}) + 1,$$

which is not bounded as  $\varepsilon$  goes to zero.

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Even in the case of the Laplacian the result is stronger than Hale and Raugel, because they require  $g$  to be  $C^3$

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Instead, if  $u_\varepsilon$  is the solution of

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it will converge to  $u_o$  solution of

$$-(u_o)_{x_1 x_1} + u_o = f(x, 0) \text{ in } \Omega, \quad \partial_\nu u_o = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega.$$

**Pucci operator:** Uniformly elliptic but fully nonlinear.

Let  $0 < \lambda \leq \Lambda$ :

$$-\mathcal{M}_{\lambda, \Lambda}^+ u_\varepsilon + u_\varepsilon = f(x, y) \quad \text{in } \Omega_\varepsilon^{HR} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u_\varepsilon}{\partial \nu_\varepsilon} = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega_\varepsilon^{HR},$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda, \Lambda}^+(D^2 u) := \sup_{\lambda I \leq A \leq \Lambda I} (\text{tr} A(D^2 u)) := \lambda \sum_{e_i \leq 0} e_i + \Lambda \sum_{e_i \geq 0} e_i$$

where  $e_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $D^2 u$ .

In this case the limit equation becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} -\mathcal{M}_{\lambda, \Lambda}^+(D^2 w(x)) - \Lambda \left( \frac{Dg(x) \cdot Dw(x)}{g(x)} \right)^+ + \lambda \left( \frac{Dg(x) \cdot Dw(x)}{g(x)} \right)^- + \\ + w(x) = f(x, 0). \end{aligned}$$

## Heuristic 2: For the oblique condition $\gamma \cdot \nabla u = \beta$

Intrinsic approach, à la Evans, is to consider the development:

$$u^\varepsilon(x, y) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon u^1(x, y/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon^2 u^2(x, y/\varepsilon) + \dots,$$

so that

$$\begin{cases} D^2 u^\varepsilon &= \begin{pmatrix} D_x^2 u^0 & (D_x u_y^1)^T \\ D_x u_y^1 & \varepsilon^{-1} u_{yy}^1 + u_{yy}^2 \end{pmatrix} + o(1), \\ Du^\varepsilon &= (D_x u^0, u_y^1) + o(1), \quad u^\varepsilon = u^0(x) + o(1). \end{cases}$$

Hence a natural ansatz here, to obtain a PDE for  $u^0 = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} u^\varepsilon$ , is to impose that

$$u_{yy}^1(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{for } x \in \bar{\Omega}, g^-(x) < y < g^+(x).$$

To achieve this, we assume that there is a function  $v : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$u^1(x, y) = v(x)y \quad \text{for } y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Using now the development of the boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_1^\pm(x, y) = \gamma_1^\pm(x, 0) + k^\pm(x)y + o(|y|) \\ \beta^\pm(x, y) = \beta^\pm(x, 0) + l^\pm(x)y + o(|y|). \end{cases}$$

From the ansatz we obtain, by imposing that the zero order term in the expansion in  $\varepsilon$  of the boundary condition is zero:

$$0 = \gamma_1^\pm(x, 0) \cdot Du^0(x) \pm v(x) - \beta^\pm(x, 0),$$

It yields:

$$v(x) = \beta^+(x, 0) - \gamma_1^+ \cdot Du^0(x) = -\beta^-(x, 0) + \gamma_1^- \cdot Du^0(x).$$

This is well defined if condition

$$\beta^+(x, 0) = -\beta^-(x, 0) := \beta_o(x) \text{ and } \gamma_1^+(x, 0) = -\gamma_1^-(x, 0) := \gamma_o(x).$$

holds, and it determines the value for  $v$  as

$$v(x) := \beta_o - \gamma_o \cdot Du^0(x),$$

$$u^\varepsilon(x, y) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon u^1(x, y/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon^2 u^2(x, y/\varepsilon) + \dots,$$

The value of  $u_1(x, y) = (\beta_o - \gamma_o \cdot Du^0(x))y$  has been found just by considering null the zero order term in the expansion in  $\varepsilon$  of the boundary condition.

Similarly, in order to determine  $u^2$  in terms of  $u_o$ ..etc..we need to impose that the first order term in the expansion in  $\varepsilon$  of the boundary condition is zero. And we obtain:

$$u^2(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(y - g^-(x))^2 w^+(x) + \frac{1}{2}(y - g^+(x))^2 w^-(x)$$

where

$$w^\pm(x) = \frac{g^\pm}{(g^+ - g^-)} (l^\pm(x) - k^\pm(x) \cdot Du^0(x) \mp \gamma_o \cdot Dv),$$

With the knowledge of  $u^1$  and  $u^2$ , we are now in a position to guess the limit equation since

$$\begin{cases} D^2 u^\varepsilon &= \begin{pmatrix} D_x^2 u^0 & (D_x u_y^1)^T \\ D_x u_y^1 & \varepsilon^{-1} u_{yy}^1 + u_{yy}^2 \end{pmatrix} + o(1), \\ Du^\varepsilon &= (D_x u^0, u_y^1) + o(1), \quad u^\varepsilon = u^0(x) + o(1). \end{cases}$$

Of course now that we have the Ansatz

$$u^\varepsilon(x, y) = u^0(x) + \varepsilon u^1(x, y/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon^2 u^2(x, y/\varepsilon) + \dots,$$

with  $u_1(x, y) = (\beta_o - \gamma_o \cdot Du^0(x))y$  and  $u^2(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(y - g^-(x))^2 w^+(x) + \frac{1}{2}(y - g^+(x))^2 w^-(x)$ . The Evans test function approach consist, in a very simplified sense, to construct sub and super solutions to the equation at  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by replacing, in the ansatz,  $u_o$  by the test functions of the limit equation. And then proceed.....



The presence of **corners** with oblique boundary conditions require some attention. Let us give the definition of viscosity solution for problem:

$$F(D^2u, Du, u, (x, y)) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega_\varepsilon$$

satisfying condition

$$\gamma \cdot Du = \beta \text{ on } \partial\Omega_\varepsilon.$$

Intending

$$\gamma^+ \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^+ \text{ on } \partial_T\Omega_\varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma^- \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta^- \text{ on } \partial_B\Omega_\varepsilon,$$

$$\gamma_L \cdot Du^\varepsilon = \beta_L \text{ on } \partial_L\Omega_\varepsilon.$$

We suppose that

$\gamma^\pm \in C(\bar{\Omega} \times [-1, 1], \mathbb{R}^{N+1})$ ,  $\gamma_L \in C(\partial\Omega \times [-1, 1], \mathbb{R}^{N+1})$  be such that the right structural conditions are satisfied.

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Replacing “max”, “ $\leq$ ”, and “upper semicontinuous envelope”, with “min”, “ $\geq$ ”, and “lower semicontinuous envelope” respectively, in the above condition yields the right definition of viscosity supersolution. Viscosity solutions are functions which are both viscosity sub and super solutions.

With this definition we do not require the viscosity solution to be continuous.

Because the conditions are on the upper and lower semicontinuous envelope not directly on the solution. The reason being that with corner we don't have comparison principle.

# Main existence result (Fixed $\varepsilon$ ).

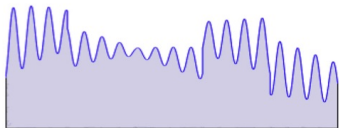
## Proposition

Assume that  $F$  is proper. Then, there exist positive constants  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $C_0$  such that for each  $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_1$ , there is a viscosity solution  $u^\varepsilon$  to

$$\begin{aligned} F(D^2u^\varepsilon, Du^\varepsilon, u^\varepsilon, (x, y)) &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega_\varepsilon \\ \gamma_1^+ \cdot D_x u^\varepsilon + u_y^\varepsilon &= \beta^+ && \text{on } \partial_T \Omega_\varepsilon \\ \gamma_1^- \cdot D_x u^\varepsilon - u_y^\varepsilon &= \beta^- && \text{on } \partial_B \Omega_\varepsilon, \\ \gamma \cdot Du^\varepsilon &= \beta, && \text{on } \partial_L \Omega_\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

and furthermore any solution  $u^\varepsilon$  will satisfy  $\sup_{\overline{\Omega_\varepsilon}} |u^\varepsilon| \leq C_0$ .

- Consider the case where  $g$  is not continuous, (disegno)
- $\Omega_\varepsilon = \{(x, y), x \in (0, 1), 0 < y < \varepsilon(a(x) + b(x)g(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}))\}$ ,  $g$



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- Different shapes of thin domains
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We want to recall the works of Arrieta, Pereira, Nogueira, Nakasato, Villanueva-Pesqueira.

But also we would like to understand the relationship with the results on "thin domains" in other contest. e.g. the work of Percivale, Buttazzo, Acerbi (1988) and the sequent ones, or Fonseca, Francfort, G. Leoni..... on "thin elastic films"



Merci de votre attention

