

HOMOGENIZATION OF LINEAR SPATIALLY PERIODIC ELECTRONIC CIRCUITS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we establish a simplified model of general spatially periodic linear electronic analog networks. It has a two-scale structure. At the macro level it is an algebro-differential equation and a circuit equation at the micro level. Its construction is based on the concept of two-scale convergence, introduced by the author in the framework of partial differential equations, adapted to vectors and matrices. Simple illustrative examples are detailed by hand calculation and a numerical simulation is reported.

1. Introduction. It is well known that when the size of an analog electronic network increases too much, the size of the unknown vectors, namely the voltages, the currents and the electric node's voltage, become very large and the system of equation becomes impossible to solve on existing computers. In this paper, we are concerned by such large systems of electronic equations arising in the case of spatially periodic architectures of analog electronic circuits. Among the applications that we have in mind, some of them are for purely analog electronic systems or for Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MEMS) arrays which have always a periodic structure and include or will include in a near future an electronic network. The MEMS arrays are used for a wide range of applications in various scientific or technological areas as biology, medicine, communications, aeronautics, etc... . Due to the small place available in those architectures, analog circuits are preferred in comparison with digital circuits. Other motivations of using arrays of analog circuits are their good computing power per unit area (when moderated resolutions are required) accompanied with a low energy consumption. Some applications to Smart Structures may also be found in the cases where the actuators and sensors are numerous and distributed in a periodic way in their host structure, see for example [7] and [6].

The method for the simplified model derivation that we present here refers to the general homogenization which has been intensively developed in mechanics for composite materials modelling. Various approaches have been investigated under various denominations. We will not make a comparison of them, we only mention that the more general and rigorous one was based on an asymptotic expansion with respect to the vanishing cells size (or equivalently to the number of cells that is assumed to tend to infinity). It was introduced by E. Sanchez-Palencia and then widely developed in the reference book [11]. This theory has been rigorously

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justified in [2] and later its domain of applications has been expanded and the proofs significantly simplified by the introduction of the two-scale convergence in [1] and later by the introduction of the two-scale transform and a new two-scale convergence in [8]. This last improvement has allowed the treatment of network equations which was not encompassed by the other approaches. Furthermore, it has led to a so simple and natural technique that later it has been rediscovered independently by two other groups [3] and [5] in the context of partial differential equations.

In our first works on the electronic networks homogenization [8], [9] and [10], we have formulated the electric network equations under the form of partial differential equations under variational form. Its well posedness has been proved by a combination of functional analysis arguments commonly used in the field of partial differential equations and some graph theory properties. Then, the two-scale limit of the transposed incidence matrix, which was expressed as a spatial derivative along the network, has been carefully formulated. This was the corner-stone of the two-scale models construction from which the homogenized models have been built. This program has been achieved for general network topologies but limited to static problems and to some particular linear devices, passive devices in [8], passive devices plus linear VCVS in [9] and passive devices plus linear VCCS in [10].

Let us turn to this paper contributions. First, the two-scale transform and convergence which was formulated in the context of functions and partial differential equations are now rewritten for vectors and matrices which is the usual framework in electronics. It is the first time that the fundamental properties of the two-scale transform of vector and of matrices are stated and proved. Second, the asymptotic of the Kirchhoff voltage law is carefully analyzed. This is the more difficult and technical part. The technic of this proof is new. It is more general and adaptable that the former thus it may be easier to extend to complex systems including electronics as well as thermal or mechanical effects for instance. Third, this paper covers general linear multi-port devices under the condition that all their ports belong to a same cell. We say that they are local. Fourth, the condition under which the model is justified and its solution exists are made in details. Fifth, three illustrative examples are presented. They have been chosen very simple so that to allow hand calculations with the hope that they are sufficiently illustrative. The solution of the third example was numerically simulated so we report a comparison between the complete solution and the solution of our simplified model. Through this example we also underline the interest of the simplified model in term of computing time.

The paper is organized as follows. In the second section, the problem is introduced and the three examples are stated. The third section is devoted to the statement of the assumptions and of the simplified model itself. Then the definition and the properties of the two-scale transform for vectors and for matrices are stated and partially proved in the fourth section. Some technical points are postponed in annex. The derivation of the model is detailed in the fifth section. Finally, in the sixth section, the simplified model is applied to the three examples and the numerical results are reported.

2. Presentation of the problem. In this section we start by introducing standard circuit equations in § 2.1, then we describe what is called a periodic circuit § 2.2 and we end by three examples of such circuits in § 2.3-2.5.

2.1. Circuit equations. A graph associated with an electrical circuits is denoted by $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{N})$ where \mathcal{E} is the branch set and \mathcal{N} the node set. We denote by $\varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$, $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ and $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ the nodal voltages (or electric potential), the branch voltages and the currents where $|Z|$ represents the number of elements belonging to a set Z . The circuit equations used in this paper are:

- the Kirchhoff voltage law:

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathcal{A}^T \varphi, \quad (1)$$

- the Tellegen theorem:

$$\mathbf{i}^T \mathcal{A}^T \boldsymbol{\psi} = 0 \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{\psi} \in \Psi, \quad (2)$$

- the branch equations characterizing the circuit devices:

$$\mathcal{M}\mathbf{v} + \mathcal{R}\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{u}_s, \quad (3)$$

- and the ground node equations:

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{I}} = 0 \text{ for all node } n_{\mathcal{I}} \in \mathcal{N}_0 \quad (4)$$

where $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ is the incidence matrix, $\mathcal{N}_0 \subset \mathcal{N}$ is the subset of ground nodes,

$$\Psi = \{\boldsymbol{\psi} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|} \text{ such that } \boldsymbol{\psi}_{\mathcal{I}} = 0 \text{ for all } n_{\mathcal{I}} \in \mathcal{N}_0\}$$

is the set of admissible potentials, \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{R} are two square matrices with $|\mathcal{E}|$ rows and columns and $\mathbf{u}_s \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ represents voltages and currents sources regrouped in a single vector.

In the following, we reformulate this set of equations in a condensed form:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &\in \Psi, \mathbf{v} = \mathcal{A}^T \varphi, \\ \mathcal{M}\mathcal{A}^T \varphi + \mathcal{R}\mathbf{i} &= \mathbf{u}_s, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{i}^T \mathcal{A}^T \boldsymbol{\psi} = 0 \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{\psi} \in \Psi.$$

These equations may take into account general multi-port linear devices in statics. Linear circuit equations of evolution may also be written on this form when applying the Laplace transform.

2.2. Periodic circuit. Now let us consider the class of circuits that are distributed in $d \geq 1$ space directions so that their graph is periodic in all these directions. Electrical devices are assumed to be periodically distributed excepted on the boundary where specific devices may be installed so that to realize specific boundary conditions. Each branch is assumed to belong entirely to one and only one cell. If it is not the case, the circuit must be rearranged in a convenient manner.

We assume that the circuit is confined in a bounded set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and that the number of its periods is large in all the d directions. For simplicity, it is assumed that Ω is an unit square $\Omega = (0, 1)^d$ and that in all directions the period lengths are equal to an identical small parameter ε .

A unit graph is built by picking one cell of the complete graph, expanding it by a factor $1/\varepsilon$ and shifting it so that to occupy the unit cell $Y = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^d$. The unit graph is denoted by $G = (E, N)$. From the above assumption, it turns out that E is a set of entire branches. Because \mathcal{N} is εY -periodic, each node $n \in N$ located on the boundary of Y has its counterpart n' on the opposite side. For instance, on the Figure 1 $n'_1 = n_3$, $n'_3 = n_1$, $n'_2 = n_4$ and $n'_4 = n_2$. We assume that n and n' are linked by at least one path (a sequence of connected branches) that does not

include any ground node. Such a path is called a crossing path. Let us introduce the subset E_C of “crossing branches”.

Criterion: *The subset $E_C \subset E$ is constituted of all branches of some of the crossing paths. For each n and n' defined as above the branches of at least one crossing path linking n to n' among many must belong to E_C .*

It may be noticed that this criterion do not determine totally E_C . A complementary criterion is given in the remark 1. The complementary set $E - E_C$ is denoted by E_{NC} . The subset E_C is partitioned in its n_c connected components $E_C = \cup_{k=1}^{n_c} E_{Ck}$.

The subsets N_C and N_{NC} of N are defined as the set of nodes involved in at least one of the branch of E_C and E_{NC} respectively. It is worth pointing out that these two subsets are not a partition of N because in general $N_C \cap N_{NC} \neq \emptyset$ as soon as E_C have E_{NC} common nodes.

The set \mathcal{N}_0 of ground nodes is shared in two parts, the first $\mathcal{N}_{0\Gamma}$ referring to ground nodes located on the boundary Γ of the whole domain Ω and the other being distributed periodically in the graph. The corresponding set of this later in N is denoted by N_0 . The ground nodes in $\mathcal{N}_{0\Gamma}$ correspond to some nodes in N located on the cell boundary. Therefore they belong to N_C which have been separated in many connected components N_{Ck} which in turn define a partition of $\mathcal{N}_{0\Gamma} = \cup_{k=1}^{n_c} \mathcal{N}_{0\Gamma k}$. We denote by Γ_{0k} the part of Γ where the nodes $\mathcal{N}_{0\Gamma k}$ are distributed.

The solution of the simplified model introduced in this paper realizes an approximation of the solution of 5 for small values of ε ($\varepsilon \ll 1$). It is derived as a limit of the latter when the cells length ε diminishes towards zero.

2.3. Example 1: A regular grid of resistors. The first example of periodic circuit has been extensively studied in the literature. It is a two-dimensional regular mesh of resistors. The elementary cell is made of four resistors (with the same resistance in all cells) that realize two crossing paths in the two directions and one source of current that may vary from one cell to the other. Thus E_C is made of the resistors and E_{NC} of the current source. The nodes located on the part Γ_0 of the boundary are connected to the earth. The complementary part of the boundary is denoted by Γ_1 . Making an adapted choice of resistance $r = \varepsilon r_0$ and of current sources $\mathbf{i}_s = \varepsilon \mathbf{i}_s^0$, this circuit realizes the discretization by the finite differences method of the Laplace equation with mixed (Dirichlet and Neumann) boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta\varphi^0 &= f \text{ in } \Omega \\ \varphi^0 &= 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_0 \text{ and } \nabla\varphi^0 \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1 \end{aligned}$$

where $f = 2r_0 i_s^0$, i_s^0 is a field distributed in Ω and \mathbf{i}_s^0 is the vector constituted of the values of i_s^0 at the cell centers. It turns out that the components of the nodal voltage φ at the center of the cells are some approximations of φ^0 at those points. The model presented in this paper recover this result and in addition provides the expressions of the currents and voltages in all branches of the circuit. Evidently, our model is very general so it encompasses much more general situations.

2.4. Example 2: Disconnected circuits. In that example the sub-circuits of a cell is disconnected from the sub-circuit of the other so $E_C = \emptyset$. The reference cell is made of a voltage source and of a resistor. The voltage source \mathbf{v}_s may take different values in different cells but not the resistor. The circuit equations can be

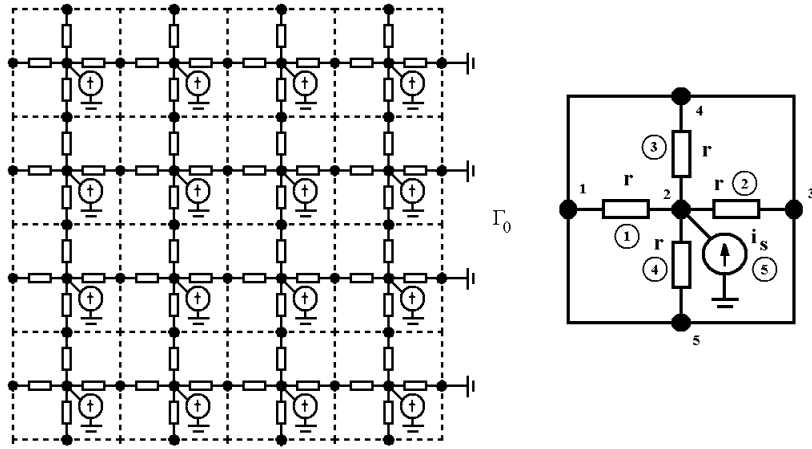


FIGURE 1. Example 1

solved independently in each cell, it comes that

$$\varphi = -v_s \text{ and } \mathbf{i} = -\frac{\mathbf{V}_s}{r}.$$

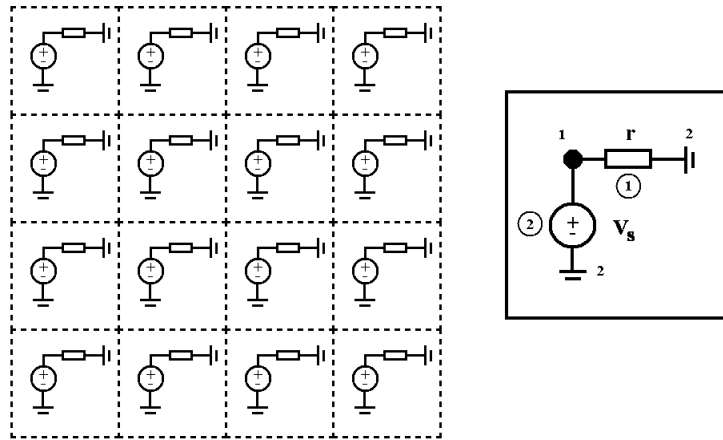


FIGURE 2. Example 2

If the vector \mathbf{v}_s is an approximation of a continuous field v_s^0 for $\varepsilon \ll 1$ then the vectors φ and \mathbf{i} are some approximations of the continuous fields $-v_s^0$ and $-\frac{v_s^0}{R}$. This trivial result is encompassed by our model that can represent general periodic disconnected circuits.

2.5. Example 3: Active and passive devices. The first two examples are elementary illustrations of crossing and non crossing circuits with passive devices. It could be possible to choose more complex circuits to illustrate the interest of the simplified model presented hereafter. But in this paper we prefer to stay simple as much as we can. From that simple examples, the interested reader will be able to foresee more complex applications. So the third example is also elementary

and is made of passive and active devices, of crossing sub-circuits and non crossing sub-circuits, see the figure. Here E_C is made of resistors and of a actively controlled current source when E_{NC} is constituted of a passive voltage source and of the amplifier's input.

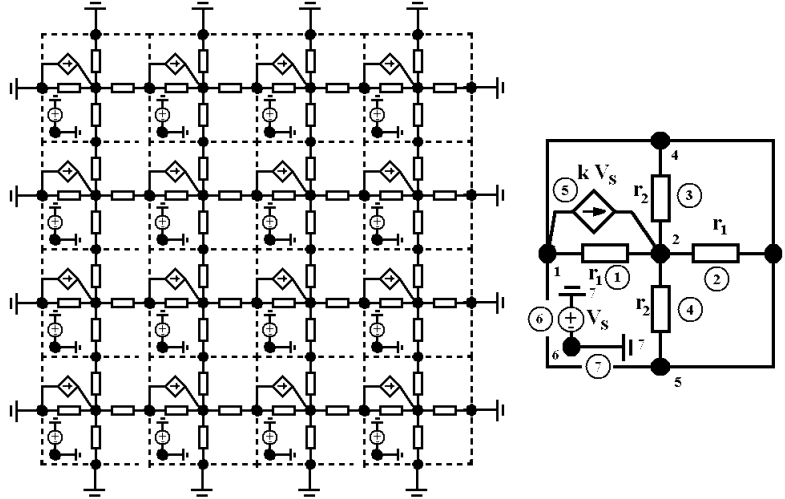


FIGURE 3. Example 3

3. Statement of the simplified model. Before to state the model in § 3.3 we introduce in § 3.1 the concept of two-scale transform and in § 3.2 the assumption on which the model is justified.

3.1. Two-scale transform. The multi-integer $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_d)$ enumerates all the cells Y_μ^ε in Ω and takes its values in $\{1, \dots, m\}^d$. The center of a cell Y_μ^ε is denoted by x_μ^ε . We define the concept of two-scale transform relatively to a set \mathcal{Z} of objects being distributed εY -periodically in Ω . It must be understood that \mathcal{Z} may represent either \mathcal{N} or \mathcal{E} . Similarly, Z represents either N or E . The objects of \mathcal{Z} are indexed by $\mathcal{I} \in \{1, \dots, |\mathcal{Z}|\}$ and those of Z by $j \in \{1, \dots, |Z|\}$. Each object is referenced by an unique index \mathcal{I} , but it can also be referred by a multi-integer μ referring to the cell which it belongs to and by an index j in Z . This correspondence is denoted by $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$ and is not one to one in general. Using this correspondence, for each vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ one may define a unique tensor $U_{\mu j}$ with $(\mu, j) \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d \times \{1, \dots, |Z|\}$ by $U_{\mu j} = \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{I}}$ for $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$.

By another way, we introduce the set $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)$ of piecewise constant functions on each cell of Ω : $f(x) = \sum_i \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) f_i$, each f_i being a scalar coefficient and $\chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$ being the characteristic function of the set Y_μ^ε equal to 1 when $x \in Y_\mu^\varepsilon$ and 0 otherwise. We denote by $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|Z|}$ the set of vectors having $|Z|$ components, each of them being in $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)$. It is easy to verify that $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)$ is included in $L^2(\Omega)$ the set of square integrable functions in Ω .

Definition 1. The two-scale transform of a vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ is the vector of functions $\hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|Z|}$ defined by

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) U_{\mu j} \text{ for all } x \in \Omega \text{ and } j \in \{1, \dots, |Z|\}$$

where $U_{\mu j} = \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{I}}$ with $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$. The linear map $\mathbf{u} \mapsto \widehat{\mathbf{u}}$ from $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ to $\mathbb{P}(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|} \subset L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ is denoted by $T_{\mathcal{Z}}$.

Let us illustrate this concept on the example 2 where $d = 2$, $|E| = 2$ and $|\mathcal{E}| = 2m^2$. The components of the two-scale transform $\widehat{\mathbf{v}}(x) = (\widehat{\mathbf{v}}_1(x), \widehat{\mathbf{v}}_2(x)) \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^2$ of branch voltages $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{2m^2}$ have the form $\widehat{\mathbf{v}}_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in Y_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}} \chi_{Y_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}}(x) V_{\mu j}$ for $j = 1, 2$ where $V_{\mu j}$ represent the voltages in the 2 branches of the cell Y_{μ}^{ε} .

In the following, we will constantly refer to the concept of local matrices $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$, \mathcal{Z}_1 and \mathcal{Z}_2 being two periodic sets, which transform a vector having its non vanishing components in one cell into a vector having also its non vanishing components in the same cell.

Definition 2. (i) \mathcal{B} is said to be local if $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{I}\mathcal{J}} = 0$ for all $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$ and $\mathcal{J} \sim (\lambda, l)$ when $\mu \neq \lambda$.

(ii) Let $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$ be a local matrix, if there exist a matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$ such that $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{I}\mathcal{J}} = \delta_{\mu\lambda} B_{jl}$ for all $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$ and $\mathcal{J} \sim (\lambda, l)$ then \mathcal{B} is said to be local and εY -periodic. The matrix B is called the reduced matrix of \mathcal{B} .

Here $\delta_{\mu\lambda}$ is the Kronecker symbol equal to 1 when $\mu = \lambda$ and equal to zero otherwise. In other words, a local εY -periodic matrix is a bloc diagonal matrix so that all its blocs are identical.

Example 1. Since we have assumed that each branch belong to only one cell it comes that the transpose of the incidence matrix \mathcal{A}^T involved in the Kirchhoff Voltage Law (1) is local and εY -periodic. Its reduced matrix is denoted by A^T . Remark that this is not the case for the incidence matrix itself.

The linear space $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ admits a scalar product and a norm

$$(u, v) = \int_{\Omega \times Z} u_j(x) v_j(x) d(x, j) \text{ and } \|u\| = (u, u)^{1/2}$$

where we use the notation

$$\int_{\Omega \times Z} f_j(x) d(x, j) = \sum_{j/z_j \in Z} \int_{\Omega} f_j(x) dx$$

z_j describing an element of Z . This notation is constantly used in this paper for Z being E , N or one of their parts. The proposition 1 shows that for $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{E}$ and $Z = E$ the two-scale transform preserves the norm,

$$\varepsilon^d \mathbf{u}^T \cdot \mathbf{u} = \varepsilon^d \sum_{\mathcal{I}} |\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{I}}|^2 = \|\widehat{\mathbf{u}}\|^2 \text{ for all } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}. \tag{6}$$

The linear space $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ being normed and ε being a parameter tending to zero, one will say that a sequence $u^{\varepsilon} \in L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ indexed by ε converges strongly in $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ towards a limit u^0 , which necessarily belongs to $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$, if $\|u^{\varepsilon} - u^0\|$ vanishes when ε tends to zero. The sequence is said to be weakly convergent in $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ towards u^0 if the scalar product $(u^{\varepsilon} - u^0, v)$ vanishes when ε tends to zero for all $v \in L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$, see [12] for more details. The strong convergence implies the weak convergence but the converse is generally false. For example, the sequence $\sin(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}) \in L^2(\Omega)$ is bounded in $L^2(\Omega)$, it is weakly convergent towards 0, but it does not converge strongly towards any limit in $L^2(\Omega)$.

The weak convergence plays an important role in our approach because the model is stated on the weak limits of the voltage's and current's two-scale transforms. The existence of such weak limits comes from the following lemma (see [12]).

Lemma 1. *From any bounded sequence in $L^2(\Omega)$ one may extract a subsequence that is weakly convergent in $L^2(\Omega)$.*

3.2. Assumptions. Before to state further assumptions, let us summarize those made in the past sections.

(H0) A branch $e \in \mathcal{E}$ can intersect the boundary of a cell only with its tips.

(H1) Each opposite nodes n and n' are linked by at least one crossing path that do not come across the ground. Furthermore, they do not belong to any corner of the cell.

The next assumptions state that not only the graph is periodic but also the distribution of devices in the circuit as well as their coefficients.

(H2) The matrices \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{R} are local and εY -periodic. Their reduced matrices are denoted by M and R .

The next assumption says that the voltages and the currents are respectively of the order of ε and 1 in E_C and of the order of 1 and ε in E_{NC} . We formulate this by using the scaling matrices S_v , S_c and S_s applied to the two-scale transforms

$$\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon = S_c \widehat{\mathbf{i}}, \widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon = S_v \widehat{\mathbf{v}}, \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon = S_s \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s, \widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon = \widehat{\varphi}. \quad (7)$$

(H3) The norms $\|\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon\|$, $\|\widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon\|$, $\|\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon\|$, $\|\widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon\|$ are bounded and the data $\widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon$ converges weakly in $L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ towards a limit u_s^0 .

The $|E| \times |E|$ scaling matrices are

$$S_v = \varepsilon^{-1} I_{E_C} + I_{E_{NC}}, S_c = I_{E_C} + \varepsilon^{-1} I_{E_{NC}} \text{ and } S_s = \Pi_c S_c + \Pi_v S_v \quad (8)$$

where for any subset E_1 of E the $|E| \times |E|$ matrix I_{E_1} is the projector on E_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} (I_{E_1})_{jk} &= \delta_{jk} \text{ if } e_j \in E_1 \\ &= 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

Each branch equation in (3) being homogeneous or to a current or to a voltage, from this distinction we deduce a partition of E in two subsets. The $|E| \times |E|$ matrices Π_c and Π_v (for currents and voltages respectively) are defined as the projectors on these two subsets.

The reduced matrices M and R of \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{R} are scaled in a consistent manner

$$M^\varepsilon = S_s M S_v^{-1} \text{ and } R^\varepsilon = S_s R S_c^{-1}. \quad (9)$$

(H4) The scaled reduced matrices M^ε and R^ε converge towards some limit M^0 and R^0 .

Remark 1. As indicated in the criterion of section 2.2, E_C is made of all the branches of some crossing paths and for each couple (n, n') at least one crossing path linking n and n' must be part of E_C . In the case where many crossing paths are linking n and n' the designer is free to decide which are included in E_C and which are not, with regard to the assumption (H2).

Let us introduce the so-called cell problem (or problem micro). For two given vectors $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$, $u_s \in \mathbb{R}^{|E|}$ and a given matrix $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ the vectors $i, v \in \mathbb{R}^{|E|}$ and $(\varphi_C, \varphi_{NC}) \in \Psi^m(\eta)$ are solution of the cell problem

$$\begin{aligned} v &= I_{E_C} A^T \varphi_C + I_{E_{NC}} A^T \varphi_{NC} \\ R^0 i + M^0 v &= u_s - M^0(\tau\theta + I^0 \eta) \\ \text{and } i^T w &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

for all vector $w = I_{E_C} A^T \psi_C + I_{E_{N_C}} A^T \psi_{N_C}$ with $(\psi_C, \psi_{N_C}) \in \Psi^m$, the admissible nodal voltage set for the cell problem being

$$\Psi^m = \{(\psi_C, \psi_{N_C}) \in \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|N|} \text{ such that } I_{N_C^0 \cup N - N_C} \psi_C = 0, I_{N_C \cup N_0} \psi_{N_C} = 0\}.$$

The tensor τ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{lkp} &= \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } n_j \in N_{Cp}} y_k(n_j) A_{jl} \text{ for } e_l \in E_{Cp} \\ &= 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where $y(n) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is the coordinates vector of a node $n \in N$. Throughout this paper, we will use the tensor product notation where the summation is on the two last indexes of τ

$$(\tau\theta)_l = \sum_k \sum_p \tau_{lkp} \theta_{kp}. \quad (12)$$

Moreover, I^0 is a matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{|N|} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} I_{jp}^0 &= 1 \text{ if } n_j \in N_{Cp} \\ &= 0 \text{ otherwise,} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

N_C^0 is a set of n_c nodes constituted of one arbitrary node of each connected component N_{Cp} . Finally

$$\mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|} = \{\phi \in \mathbb{R}^{|N|} \text{ such that } \phi_j = \phi_{j'} \text{ for all couple } (n_j, n_{j'}) \text{ of opposite nodes}\}. \quad (14)$$

(H5) For each $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$, $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ and $u_s \in \mathbb{R}^{|E|}$ the cell problem (10) has a unique solution $(\varphi_C, \varphi_{N_C}, i, v)$.

From (H5) and the map $(\eta, \theta, u_s) \mapsto (i, v, \varphi_{N_C})$ being linear there exists some matrices \mathcal{L}_x , \mathcal{H}_x and a third order tensor \mathcal{P}_x such that

$$\mathcal{L}_i \eta + \mathcal{P}_i \theta + \mathcal{H}_i u_s = i, \mathcal{L}_\varphi \eta + \mathcal{P}_\varphi \theta + \mathcal{H}_\varphi u_s = \varphi_{N_C} \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_v \eta + \mathcal{P}_v \theta + \mathcal{H}_v u_s = v \quad (15)$$

where $\mathcal{P}_x \theta$ is defined according to (12).

3.3. The model. From the assumption (H3) and the lemma 1 there exists at least one extracted subsequence of $(\hat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, \hat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon, \hat{\varphi}^\varepsilon)$ that is weakly converging towards some limits (i^0, v^0, φ^0) in L^2 . The model satisfied by the latter is stated in this subsection. It constitutes the main result of the paper.

Theorem 1. (i) *If the assumptions (H0-H3) are fulfilled then $I_{E_C} A^T \varphi^0 = 0$ or equivalently there exist $\varphi_C^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^{n_c}$ such that*

$$\varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0 + \varphi_{N_C}^0 \quad (16)$$

where $\varphi_{N_C}^0 := I_{N - N_C} \varphi^0$. Moreover there exists $\varphi_C^1 \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|})$ such that

$$v^0 = \partial_\tau \varphi_C^0 + I_{E_C} A^T \varphi_C^1 + I_{E_{N_C}} A^T \varphi^0 \text{ and } I_{N - N_C} \varphi_C^1 = 0. \quad (17)$$

This is the asymptotic Kirchhoff Voltage Law.

(ii) *Furthermore, if the assumptions (H4) and (H5) are satisfied then $\varphi_C^0 \in \Psi^H$ is solution of the algebro-differential equation, so-called homogenized circuit equations,*

$$Q^H \nabla \varphi_C^0 + S^H \varphi_C^0 = F^H u_s^0 \text{ and } A^H (\mathcal{P}_i \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{L}_i \varphi_C^0) = -A^H \mathcal{H}_i u_s^0 \text{ in } \Omega \quad (18)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$\varphi_{Cp}^0 = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_{0p} \text{ and } (\mathcal{P}_i \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{L}_i \varphi_C^0) n_\tau = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma - \Gamma_{0p}.$$

(iii) Finally $(\varphi_C^1, \varphi_{NC}^0, i^0, v = I_{EC} A^T \varphi_C^1 + I_{ENC} A^T \varphi_{NC}^0)$ is solution of the cell problem (10) with $(\eta, \theta, u_s) = (\varphi_C^0, \nabla \varphi_C^0, u_s^0)$.

The homogenized matrices Q^H, S^H, F^H and operator A^H are defined by

$$Q^H = R^0 \mathcal{P}_i + M^0(\tau + \mathcal{L}_v), \quad S^H = R^0 \mathcal{L}_i + M^0(I_{EC} A^T I^0 + \mathcal{L}_v),$$

$$F^H = I - R^0 \mathcal{H}_i - M^0 \mathcal{H}_v \text{ and } A^H = -\partial_{\tau^*} + I^{0T} A I_{ENC}$$

where $\partial_{\tau^*} i = \tau^* \nabla i$ with $\tau_{pkl}^* = \tau_{lkp}$ and the use of notation (12). The derivative $\partial_{\tau} \varphi_C^0$ and the normal n_{τ} are defined by

$$\partial_{\tau} \varphi_C^0 = \tau \nabla \varphi_C^0 \text{ and } (n_{\tau})_{lp} = \sum_{k=1}^d \tau_{lkp} n_k$$

∇ being the gradient $(\partial_{x_k})_{k=1..d}$ and $n = (n_k)_{k=1..d}$ being the outward normal vector to the boundary Γ of Ω . Finally, the admissible set of macroscopic potential is

$$\Psi^H = \{\psi \in L^2(\Omega)^{n_c} \text{ such that } \partial_{\tau} \psi \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|} \text{ and } \psi_k(x) = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_{0k}\}.$$

4. Properties of the two-scale transform. We prove the fundamental properties of the two-scale transform which are useful for the model derivation.

4.1. Adjoint of T_E and norm preservation. First the adjoint T_E^* of the two-scale transform T_E is established. Then the relationship between the scalar product $[\cdot, \cdot]$ and the norm $|\cdot|$ in $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$, defined by

$$[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}] = \varepsilon^{-d} \mathbf{u}^T \cdot \mathbf{v} \text{ and } |\mathbf{v}| = [\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}]^{1/2} \text{ for all } \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|},$$

and the scalar product and the norm in $L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ is derived.

Proposition 1. (i) Under the assumption (H0) the adjoint T_E^* is equal to

$$(T_E^* u)_{\mathcal{I}} = \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}} u_j(x) dx \text{ for } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j) \tag{19}$$

for all $u \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$.

(ii) Furthermore, the restriction T_E^* to $\mathbb{P}(\Omega)^{|E|}$ is

$$(T_E^* u)_{\mathcal{I}} = U_{\mu j} \text{ for } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$$

for all $u \in \mathbb{P}(\Omega)^{|E|}$ so that $u_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \chi_{Y_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}}(x) U_{\mu j}$.

(iii) $T_E^* T_E = I_{\mathcal{E}}$ on $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$.

(iv) $T_E T_E^* = I_E$ on $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|E|}$.

(v) T_E is one to one from $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ to $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|E|}$ and T_E^* is its inverse.

(vi) The scalar product as well as the norm are conserved through the two-scale transform

$$(T_E \mathbf{u}, T_E \mathbf{v}) = [\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}] \text{ and } \|T_E \mathbf{u}\| = |\mathbf{u}| \text{ for all } \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}. \tag{20}$$

Proof. (i) For $u \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ $T_E^* u$ is defined through the equality $[T_E^* u, v] = (T_E v, u)$ for all $v \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$. But

$$(T_E \mathbf{v}, u) = \int_{\Omega} (T_E \mathbf{v}) \cdot u(x) dx = \varepsilon^d \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \sum_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{E}|} \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}} u_j(x) dx V_{\mu j}$$

which leads to the characterization of T_E^* because the correspondence \sim is one to one.

The point (ii) is a straightforward consequence of the point (i).

(iii) Let $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}^\varepsilon|}$ and $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$ $(T_E^* T_E \mathbf{u})_{\mathcal{I}} = T_{\mathcal{I}}^* (\sum_{\lambda \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} U_{\lambda j} \chi_{Y_\lambda^\varepsilon}(x)) = \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon} \sum_{\lambda \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \chi_{Y_\lambda^\varepsilon}(x) dx U_{\lambda j} = U_{\mu j} = \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{I}}$.

(iv) Let $u \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|})$ so that $u_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} U_{\mu j} \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$ then

$(T_E T_E^* u)_j(x) = (T_E(\varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon} u_j(x') dx'))_j(x)$ which is equal to $\sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon} u_j(x') dx' \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$. Replacing u by its expression yields
 $= \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \sum_{\lambda \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} \varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon} \chi_\lambda(x') dx' U_{\lambda j} \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$. Finally we use the fact that $\varepsilon^{-d} \int_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon} \chi_\lambda(x') dx' = \delta_{\mu\lambda}$ to conclude that $(T_E T_E^* u)_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} U_{\mu j} \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) = u_j(x)$.

(v) is just a consequence of (iii) and of (iv).

The proof of (vi) is straightforward $(T_E \mathbf{u}, T_E \mathbf{v}) = [T_E^* T_E \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}] = [\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]$ from which the equality of norms follows by posing $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}$. \square

4.2. Two-scale transform of matrices. We start this section by providing the definition of the two-scale transform of a matrix operating on $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ providing that the assumption H0 holds. We continue by stating some of its properties in the particular case of $|\mathcal{E}| \times |\mathcal{E}|$ matrices. Since we wish to apply the two-scale transform to the incidence matrix \mathcal{A}^T which operate on $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ we end this section by defining the two-scale transform of general local εY -periodic matrices which evidently applies to \mathcal{A}^T .

Definition 3. Assuming that H0 holds, then the two-scale transform of a matrix $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ is the linear operator defined from $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ to $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|} \subset L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{Z}|}$ by

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}} = T_Z \mathcal{B} T_E^*.$$

Let us focus on matrices $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$. Its two-scale transform $\widehat{\mathcal{B}} = T_E \mathcal{B} T_E^*$ is a linear operator from $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ to $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|} \subset L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$, however, in the following statement we consider only its restriction defined from $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ to itself. The norm of such a matrix is $|\mathcal{B}| = \sup_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}} \frac{|\mathcal{B}\mathbf{u}|}{|\mathbf{u}|}$.

Proposition 2. For \mathcal{B} a $|\mathcal{E}| \times |\mathcal{E}|$ matrix and $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ the following properties hold:

- (i) $(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{u}) = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}\widehat{\mathbf{u}}$;
- (ii) $(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\widehat{\mathbf{u}}, \widehat{\mathbf{v}}) = [\mathcal{B}\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]$;
- (iii) $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}^T = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}^*$;
- (iv) $\|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\| = |\mathcal{B}|$.

Proof. (i) $(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{u}) = T_E \mathcal{B} \mathbf{u} = T_E \mathcal{B} T_E^* T_E \mathbf{u} = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}\widehat{\mathbf{u}}$.

(ii) $(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\widehat{\mathbf{u}}, \widehat{\mathbf{v}}) = (T_E \mathcal{B} T_E^* T_E \mathbf{u}, T_E \mathbf{v}) = [\mathcal{B}\mathbf{u}, T_E^* T_E \mathbf{v}] = [\mathcal{B}\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]$.

(iii) $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}^T = T_E \mathcal{B}^T T_E^* = (T_E \mathcal{B} T_E^*)^* = \widehat{\mathcal{B}}^*$.

(iv) $\|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\| = \sup_{u \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|})} \frac{\|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}u\|}{\|u\|_E}, \|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}u\| = \|T_E \mathcal{B} T_E^* u\| = |\mathcal{B} T_E^* u|$ and $\|u\|_E = |T_E^* u|$ yield $\|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\| = \sup_{u \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|})} \frac{|\mathcal{B} T_E^* u|}{|T_E^* u|} = \sup_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}} \frac{|\mathcal{B}\mathbf{v}|}{|\mathbf{v}|} = |\mathcal{B}|$ because T_E^* is one to one from $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|})$ to $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$. \square

We cannot define the two-scale transform of a general matrix $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$ but we can do it for local εY -periodic matrices providing that \mathcal{Z}_1 and \mathcal{Z}_2 are two periodic sets.

Definition 4. If $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$ is a local εY -periodic matrix and B is its reduced matrix then the two-scale transform $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}$ of \mathcal{B} is defined by

$$(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\phi)_j(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|} B_{jk} \phi_k(x) \text{ for all } \phi \in \mathbb{P}^0(\mathcal{Z})^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}.$$

Based on this definition the following property holds.

Lemma 2. *If $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_1|} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{Z}_2|}$ is a local εY -periodic matrix then*

$$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\phi = \widehat{\widehat{\mathcal{B}}\phi}.$$

4.3. Two-scale convergence of Kirchhoff Voltage Law. This section is devoted to the derivation of the point (i) of the main theorem 1. The proof is a little technical, so it has been decomposed. One part requiring detailed explanation regarding the two-scale transform for nodes as well as tricky operations is postponed in annex.

Let us recall that the sets \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{E} of nodes and of branches depend on the number of cells in the circuit or equivalently depend on the parameter ε . For a given ε we consider a vector of nodal voltages $\varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \mathcal{A}^T \varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ the branch voltages. By doing so, φ and \mathbf{v} are also depending on ε and all together constitute a sequence indexed by ε . The same thing can be said about their scaled two-scale transforms $\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon = \widehat{\varphi}$ and $\widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon = S_v \widehat{\mathbf{v}}$ where the dependence on ε is made more visible. When their norms $\|\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon\|$ and $\|\widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon\|$ are bounded, thanks to the lemma 1, one may extract a subsequence of the couple still denoted by $(\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, \widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon)$ which converges weakly in $L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{N}|} \times L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ towards a limit (φ^0, v^0) .

Lemma 3. *The weak limits (φ^0, v^0) satisfy $I_{E_C} A^T \varphi^0 = 0$ or equivalently there exists $\varphi_C^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^{n_c}$ such that*

$$I_{N_C} \varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0$$

then

$$\varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0 + \varphi_{N_C}^0 \text{ where } \varphi_{N_C}^0 = I_{N-N_C} \varphi^0$$

and there exists $\varphi_C^1 \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|\mathcal{N}|})$ such that

$$v^0 = \partial_\tau \varphi_C^0 + I_{E_C} A^T \varphi_C^1 + I_{E_{NC}} A^T (\varphi_{N_C}^0 + I^0 \varphi_C^0).$$

Proof. (i) We start by proving that $I_{N_C} \varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0$. The fact that $\|\widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon\|$ is bounded and the lemma 2 imply together that $\varepsilon^{-1} \|I_{E_C} A^T \widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon\|$ is bounded and by passing to the limit in $(I_{E_C} A^T \widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, w) \leq C\varepsilon \|w\|$ for all $w \in L^2(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{E}|}$ that $I_{E_C} A^T \varphi^0 = 0$. This is equivalent to say that φ^0 is constant on each connected component E_{Ck} of E_C or equivalently that there exists a vector $\varphi_C^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^{n_c}$ such that $I_{N_C} \varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0$.

(ii) Let us establish that $I_{E_{NC}} v^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T (\varphi_{N_C}^0 + I^0 \varphi_C^0)$ where

$$\varphi_{N_C}^0 = I_{N-N_C} \varphi^0.$$

The fact that $\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon$ and $\widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon$ converge weakly towards φ^0 and v^0 implies that the equality $I_{E_{NC}} \widehat{\mathbf{v}}^\varepsilon = I_{E_{NC}} A^T \widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon$ converges weakly towards $I_{E_{NC}} v^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T \varphi^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T (\varphi_{N_C}^0 + I^0 \varphi_C^0)$.

(iii) The end of the proof is devoted to the derivation of the expression of v^0 in E_C :

$$I_{E_C} v^0 = \partial_\tau \varphi^0 + I_{E_C} A^T \varphi_C^1.$$

The subset of N of nodes belonging to the boundary of the cell Y is denoted by ∂N . Let us define the subspace $\mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|N|}$ of $\mathbb{R}^{|N|}$

$$\mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|N|} = \{\phi \in \mathbb{R}^{|N|} \text{ such that } \phi_j = -\phi_{j'} \text{ for all } n_j \in \partial N\} \quad (21)$$

and let us pose $v = I_{EC}v^0 - \partial_\tau \varphi_C^0$. From the lemma 4, $(v, \mu) = 0$ for $\mu \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega)^{|E|}$ such that $A\mu(x) \in \mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|N|}$ and $I_{N-\partial N}A\mu(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \Omega$ or in another word such that $\mu(x) \in KerB$, B being the $|N| \times |E|$ matrix defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (B\mu)_j &= (A\mu)_j + (A\mu)_{j'} \text{ for } n_j \in \partial N \\ &= (A\mu)_j \text{ for } n_j \in N - \partial N. \end{aligned}$$

Since $KerB = (\text{Im } B^T)^\perp$ thus $v(x) \in \text{Im } B^T$ i.e. there exists $\phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{|N|}$ such that $v(x) = B^T\phi(x)$. But

$$(B^T\phi)_j = \sum_{k=1}^{|N|} A_{kj}((I_{N-\partial N}\phi)_k + (I_{\partial N}\phi)_k + (I_{\partial N}\phi)_{k'})$$

then by posing $\varphi_C^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{|N|}$ with components $\varphi_{Ck}^1 = (I_{N-\partial N}\phi)_k + (I_{\partial N}\phi)_k + (I_{\partial N}\phi)_{k'}$ yields $v = A^T\varphi_C^1$, $\varphi_C^1(x) \in \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|}$. Moreover $I_{EC}v = 0$ implies that $I_{N-NC}\varphi_C^1 = 0$. This complete the proof. \square

Lemma 4. *If $\mu \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega)^{|E|}$ satisfies*

$$A\mu(x) \in \mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|N|} \text{ and } I_{N-\partial N}A\mu(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \Omega$$

then

$$(I_{EC}v^0 - \partial_\tau \varphi_C^0, \mu) = 0.$$

Proof. Since the components of $I_{EC}v^0 - \partial_\tau \varphi_C^0$ vanish on E_{NC} there is no loss of generality to consider that $I_{E_{NC}}\mu = 0$ and to prove that

$$(v^0, \mu) = (\partial_\tau \varphi_C^0, \mu). \quad (22)$$

In the one side $(v^0, \mu) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} (\widehat{v}^\varepsilon, \mu)$ and in the other side $(\widehat{v}^\varepsilon, \mu) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, A\mu) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, \psi)_{\partial N}$ with $\psi = A\mu$. Then $(v^0, \mu) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, \psi)_{\partial N}$ and by using the lemma 7,

$$\begin{aligned} (v^0, \mu) &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \widehat{\varphi}_j^\varepsilon(x) \psi_j(x) d(x, j) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} - \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \widehat{\varphi}_j^\varepsilon(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) d(x, j) + b(\widehat{\varphi}^\varepsilon, \psi) \\ &= - \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \varphi_j^0(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) d(x, j) + \int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \varphi_j^0(x) \psi_j(x) ds(x, j) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\partial(\Omega, N) = \{(x, n) \in \Gamma \times \partial N \text{ such that } n_Y(n) = n_\Omega(x)\}.$$

(i) Let us prove that

$$\int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \varphi_j^0(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) d(x, j) = (\varphi_C^0, \partial_{\tau^*} \mu)$$

with

$$(\partial_{\tau^*} \mu)_p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^d \sum_{l=1}^{|E|} \tau_{lkp} \partial_{x_k} \mu_l(x) \text{ for } p \in \{1, \dots, n_c\}.$$

From $\partial N \subset N_C$ and $I_{N_C}\varphi^0 = I^0\varphi_C^0$ comes

$$\int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \varphi_j^0(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) d(x, j) = \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} (I^0\varphi_C^0)_j(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) d(x, j).$$

Combined with the facts that $I_{N_C - \partial N}(\tau \cdot \nabla_x \psi) = 0$ and $I_{N - N_C} I^0\varphi_C^0 = 0$ yields

$$= (I^0\varphi_C^0, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi) = (\varphi_C^0, I^{0T}(y \cdot \nabla_x A\mu)) = (\varphi_C^0, \partial_{\tau^*}\mu).$$

(ii) For all $\nu \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}_{\text{antiper}}$ and $x \in \Gamma$ let us prove that:

$$\sum_{j/(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)} \nu_j = \sum_{j/n_j \in \partial N} \nu_j y(n_j) n_{\Omega}(x)$$

where $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}_{\text{antiper}}$ is defined in (21). We remark that if $(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)$ then $n_Y(n_j) \cdot n_{\Omega}(x) = 1$ and $\nu_j = \nu_j n_Y(n_j) \cdot n_{\Omega}(x)$. Moreover $n_Y(n_{j'}) = -n_Y(n_j)$ and $\nu_{j'} = -\nu_j$ imply that $\nu_j n_Y(n_j) = \nu_{j'} n_Y(n_{j'})$.

Thus $\nu_j = \frac{1}{2}(\nu_j n_Y(n_j) + \nu_{j'} n_Y(n_{j'})) n_{\Omega}(x) = (\nu_j y(n_j) + \nu_{j'} y(n_{j'})) n_{\Omega}(x)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j/(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)} \nu_j &= \sum_{j/(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)} (\nu_j y(n_j) + \nu_{j'} y(n_{j'})) n_{\Omega}(x) \\ &= \sum_{j/n_j \in \partial N} \nu_j y(n_j) n_{\Omega}(x). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Let us derive the formula:

$$\int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \varphi_j^0(x) \psi_j(x) ds(x, j) = \int_{\Gamma \times N} (I^0\varphi_C^0)_j(x) (y \cdot n_{\Omega} A\mu)_j(x) ds(x, j).$$

with $(y \cdot n_{\Omega} A\mu)_j(x) = \sum_{k=1}^d \sum_{l=1}^{|E|} y_k(n_j) n_{\Omega k}(x) A_{jl} \mu_l(x)$. Since $I_{E_C} \varphi^0 = I^0 \varphi_C^0$

$$\int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \varphi_j^0(x) \psi_j(x) ds(x, j) = \sum_{k=1}^{n_c} \int_{\Gamma} \varphi_{Ck}^0(x) \sum_{j/(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)} I_{jk}^0 \psi_j(x) ds(x).$$

But (ii) with $\nu_j = I_{jk}^0 \psi_j(x)$ (k being frozen), providing that $\psi = A\mu$, says that

$$\sum_{j/(x, n_j) \in \partial(\Omega, N)} I_{jk}^0 \psi_j(x) = \sum_{j/n_j \in \partial N} I_{jk}^0 (A\mu)_j(x) y(n_j) \cdot n_{\Omega}(x).$$

Thus

$$\int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \varphi_j^0(x) \psi_j(x) ds(x, j) = \int_{\Gamma \times \partial N} (I^0\varphi_C^0)_j(x) (y \cdot n_{\Omega} A\mu)_j(x) ds(x, j).$$

A reasoning similar to this made in (i) yields

$$= \int_{\Gamma \times N} (I^0\varphi_C^0)_j(x) (y \cdot n_{\Omega} A\mu)_j(x) ds(x, j).$$

(iv) The end of the proof is done using (i), (iii) and the Green like formula:

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_{p=1}^{n_c} \int_{\Omega} \varphi_{Cp}^0(x) (\partial_{\tau^*}\mu)_p(x) dx + \sum_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{N}|} \int_{\Gamma} (I^0\varphi_C^0)_j(x) (y \cdot n_{\Omega} A\mu)_j(x) ds(x) \\ = \sum_{l=1}^{|E|} \int_{\Omega} (\partial_{\tau^*}\varphi_C^0)_l(x) \mu_l(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

□

4.4. Convergence of test functions. Let us introduce the set of admissible two-scale potentials

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \{(\psi_C^0, \psi_C^1, \psi_{N_C}^0) \in L^2(\Omega)^{n_c} \times L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|}) \times L^2(\Omega)^{|N|} \\ &\text{s.t. } \partial_\tau \psi_C^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}, I_{N-N_C} \psi_C^1 = 0, I_{N_C \cup N_0} \psi_{N_C}^0 = 0, \\ &\psi_{C_p}^0(x) = 0 \forall x \in \Gamma_{0p} \text{ for all } p = 1..n_c\}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

For $(\psi_C^0, \psi_C^1, \psi_{N_C}^0) \in \Psi \cap \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega)^{n_c} \times \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}_{per}^{|N|}) \times \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega)^{|N|}$ let us define ψ^0 and ψ^1 in $\mathbb{R}^{|N|}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\mathcal{I}}^0 &= \psi_{C_p}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) \text{ for } n_j \in N_{C_p} \text{ for } p = 1, \dots, n_c \\ &= \psi_{N_C j}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \text{ for } n_j \in N - N_C, \\ \psi_{\mathcal{I}}^1 &= \psi_{C_j}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \text{ for } n_j \in N - \partial N \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\psi_{C_j}(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + \psi_{C_{j'}}(x_{\mu'}^\varepsilon)) \text{ for } n_j \in \partial N \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$ and (μ', j') , (see in annex for details regarding (μ', j')).

Lemma 5. (i) $\widehat{\psi}^0 = I^0 \psi_C^0 + \psi_{N_C}^0 + O(\varepsilon)$.

(ii) $S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = \partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + I_{E_{N_C}} A^T (\psi_{N_C}^0 + I^0 \psi_C^0) + O(\varepsilon)$.

(iii) $\widehat{\psi}^1 = \psi_C^1 + O(\varepsilon)$.

(iv) $I_{E_C} A^T \widehat{\psi}^1 = I_{E_C} A^T \psi_C^1 + O(\varepsilon)$.

Proof. (i) Let us prove successively that $I_{N_C} \widehat{\psi}^0(x) = I^0 \psi_C^0(x) + O(\varepsilon)$ and that $I_{N-N_C} \widehat{\psi}^0 = \psi_{N_C}^0 + O(\varepsilon)$. Let us start with $I_{N_C} \widehat{\psi}^0$. For $n_j \in N_{C_p}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\psi}_j^0(x) &= \sum_{\mu} \psi_{C_p}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) = \sum_{\mu} \psi_{C_p}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + O(\varepsilon) \\ &= \sum_{\mu} \psi_{C_p}^0(x) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + O(\varepsilon) = \psi_{C_p}^0(x) + O(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Now we continue with $I_{N-N_C} \widehat{\psi}^0$. For $n_j \in N - N_C$:

$$\begin{aligned} (I_{N-N_C} \widehat{\psi}^0)_j(x) &= \sum_{\mu} \psi_{N_C j}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) = \sum_{\mu} \psi_{N_C j}^0(x) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + O(\varepsilon) \\ &= \psi_{N_C j}^0(x) + O(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Let us establish successively that $I_{E_C} S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = \partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + O(\varepsilon)$ and that $I_{E_{N_C}} S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = I_{E_{N_C}} A^T (\psi_{N_C}^0 + I^0 \psi_C^0) + O(\varepsilon)$. Using $I_{E_C} S_v = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} I_{E_C}$, for $e_l \in E_C$:

$$\begin{aligned} (I_{E_C} S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0)_l(x) &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \sum_{j=1}^{|N|} A_{jl} \widehat{\psi}_j^0(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{p=1}^{n_c} \sum_{j=1 \text{ s.t. } n_j \in N_{C_p}}^{|N|} A_{jl} \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x). \end{aligned}$$

But $\psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) = \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + \sum_{k=1}^d \partial_{x_k} \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \varepsilon y_k(n_j) + \varepsilon O(\varepsilon)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{p=1}^{n_c} \sum_{j=1}^{|N|} \sum_{\text{s.t. } n_j \in N_{C_p}} A_{jl} \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^d A_{jl} \partial_{x_k} \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \varepsilon y_k(n_j) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + \varepsilon O(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_{j=1}^{|N|} \sum_{\text{s.t. } n_j \in N_{C_p}} A_{jl} = 1 - 1 = 0$ for all l and $\partial_{x_k} \psi_j^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) = \partial_{x_k} \psi_j^0(x) + O(\varepsilon)$ for $x \in Y_\mu^\varepsilon$ it remains

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \sum_{p=1}^{n_c} \sum_{j=1}^{|N|} \sum_{\text{s.t. } n_j \in N_{C_p}} \sum_{k=1}^d A_{jl} \partial_{x_k} \psi_j^0(x) \varepsilon y_k(n_j) + \varepsilon O(\varepsilon) = (\partial_\tau \psi_C^0)_l + O(\varepsilon).$$

Now, $I_{E_{NC}} S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T \widehat{\psi}^0 = I_{E_{NC}} A^T I_{N_{NC}} \widehat{\psi}^0$. But

$$\begin{aligned} (I_{N_{NC}} \widehat{\psi}^0)_j(x_\mu^\varepsilon) &= \psi_{NCj}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \text{ for } n_j \in N - N_C \\ &= \psi_{Cp}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) \text{ for } n_j \in N_{Cp} \cap N_{NC}. \end{aligned}$$

But $\psi_{Cp}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon y(n_j)) = \psi_{Cp}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon)$ $(I_{N_{NC}} \widehat{\psi}^0)(x_\mu^\varepsilon) = \psi_{NC}^0(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + I^0 \psi_C^0 + O(\varepsilon)$. Thus

$$(I_{E_{NC}} S_v A^T \widehat{\psi}^0)(x) = I_{E_{NC}} S_v A^T (\psi_{NC}^0 + I^0 \psi_C^0)(x) + O(\varepsilon).$$

This complete the proof of (ii).

(iii) For $n_j \in N_C - \partial N$

$$\widehat{\psi}_j^1(x) = \sum_{\mu} \psi_{Cj}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) = \sum_{\mu} \psi_{Cj}^1(x) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + O(\varepsilon) = \psi_{Cj}^1(x) + O(\varepsilon).$$

For $n_j \in \partial N$

$$\widehat{\psi}_j^1(x) = \sum_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (\psi_{Cj}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + \psi_{Cj'}^1(x_{\mu'}^\varepsilon)) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$$

but $\psi_{Cj'}^1(x_{\mu'}^\varepsilon) = \psi_{Cj}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon) = \psi_{Cj}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon)$ due to periodicity. Then

$$= \sum_{\mu} \psi_{Cj}^1(x_\mu^\varepsilon) \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x) + O(\varepsilon) = \psi_{Cj}^1(x) + O(\varepsilon).$$

The global result $\widehat{\psi}_j^1 = \psi_{Cj}^1 + O(\varepsilon)$ follows.

(iv) comes from (iii) by applying $I_{E_C} A^T$ on each side of the equality. \square

5. Proof of the Theorem 1. The point (i) has been established in the lemma 3. In order to state (ii) and (iii), we establish the so called two-scale model which is posed on both the cell circuit and the macroscopic domain Ω . From (i) we know that φ^0 and of v^0 can be expressed with respect to the fields φ_C^0 , φ_C^1 and φ_{NC}^0 so that they satisfy the expression (16) and (17).

Lemma 6. *Under the assumptions (H0-H4), $(\varphi_C^0, \varphi_C^1, \varphi_{NC}^0) \in \Psi$ and $i^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ are solution of the two-scale circuit equations*

$$\begin{aligned} R^0 i^0(x) + M^0 v^0(x) &= u_s^0(x) \text{ for all } x \in \Omega \\ (i^0, \partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + I_{E_C} A^T \psi_C^1 + I_{E_{NC}} A^T (\psi_{NC}^0 + I^0 \psi_C^0)) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

for all $(\psi_C^0, \psi_C^1, \psi_{NC}^0) \in \Psi$ with Ψ defined in (23).

In order to prove (iii), we replace v^0 by its expression and pose $\psi_C^0 = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} v &= I_{EC} A^T \varphi_C^1 + I_{ENC} A^T \varphi_{NC}^0 \\ R^0 i^0(x) + M^0 v(x) &= u_s^0(x) - M^0 (\partial_\tau \varphi_C^0 + I_{ENC} A^T I^0 \varphi_C^0)(x) \text{ for all } x \in \Omega \\ (i^0, I_{EC} A^T \psi_C^1 + I_{ENC} A^T \psi_{NC}^0) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This proves that $(\varphi_C^1, \varphi_{NC}^0, i^0, v)$ is solution of the cell problem (10) with $(\eta, \theta, u_s) = (\varphi_C^0, \nabla \varphi_C^0, u_s^0)(x)$ at a given x and $(\psi_C, \psi_{NC}) := (\psi_C^1, \psi_{NC}^0)$.

Remark that $I_{NC \cup N_0} \psi_{NC}^0 = 0$ has been replaced by $I_{N_C^0 \cup N_{-NC}} \psi_C = 0$ for the sake of uniqueness of φ_C .

(ii) Thanks to the assumption (H5) and to (iii) we know that

$$\begin{aligned} i^0 &= \mathcal{L}_i \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{P}_i \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{H}_i u_s^0, \\ \varphi_{NC} &= \mathcal{L}_\varphi \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{P}_\varphi \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{H}_\varphi u_s^0, \\ \text{and } v &= \mathcal{L}_v \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{P}_v \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{H}_v u_s^0. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing in the two-scale branch equations leads to

$$\begin{aligned} (R^0 \mathcal{P}_i + M^0 (\tau + \mathcal{L}_v)) \nabla \varphi_C^0 + (R^0 \mathcal{L}_i + M^0 (I_{ENC} A^T I^0 + \mathcal{L}_v)) \varphi_C^0 \\ = (I - R^0 \mathcal{H}_i - M^0 \mathcal{H}_v) u_s^0 \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently to $Q^H \nabla \varphi_C^0 + S^H \varphi_C^0 = F^H u_s^0$. Now, posing $\psi_C^1 = \psi_{NC}^0 = 0$ it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega \times E} (\mathcal{P}_i \nabla \varphi_C^0 + \mathcal{L}_i \varphi_C^0)_j(x) (\partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + I_{ENC} A^T I^0 \psi_C^0)_j(x) \, d(x, j) \\ = - \int_{\Omega \times E} (\mathcal{H}_i u_s^0)_j(x) (\partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + I_{ENC} A^T I^0 \psi_C^0)_j(x) \, d(x, j) \text{ for all } \psi_C^0 \in \Psi^H. \end{aligned}$$

Applying standard argument in related to variational formulations of partial differential equations yields to the partial differential equation (18₂) and its associated boundary conditions.

It remains to prove the lemma 6.

Proof. The fact that $(\varphi_C^0, \varphi_C^1, \varphi_{NC}^0) \in \Psi$ comes from the lemma 3. It remains to derive the equations (24). We start from the circuit equations (5). Let us apply the two-scale transform and the lemma 2 to the first equation and the scalar product preservation (20) and the lemma 2 to the second equation:

$$M \widehat{\mathbf{v}} + R \widehat{\mathbf{i}} = \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s \text{ and } (\widehat{\mathbf{i}}, A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}) = 0.$$

Introducing the scaled two-scale transforms (7) and (9) of vectors and matrices

$$M^\varepsilon S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}^\varepsilon + R^\varepsilon \widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon = \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon \text{ and } (\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}) = 0.$$

The scalar product between the first equation and a test function $j \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ yields

$$(M^\varepsilon S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}^\varepsilon, j) + (R^\varepsilon \widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, j) = (\widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon, j) \text{ and } (\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}) = 0$$

or equivalently

$$(S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}^\varepsilon, M^{\varepsilon T} j) + (\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, R^{\varepsilon T} j) = (\widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon, j) \text{ and } (\widehat{\mathbf{i}}^\varepsilon, S_v A^T \widehat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}) = 0.$$

Thanks to (H3) and (H4) and the lemma 5 one may pass to the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$(v^0, M^{0T} j) + (i^0, R^{0T} j) = (u_s^0, j) \text{ and } (i^0, w^0) = 0.$$

The first equation being valid for all $j \in L^2(\Omega)^{|E|}$ is also equivalent to $R^0 i^0 + M^0 v^0 = u_s^0$. According to the lemma 5 for each $(\psi_C^0, \psi_C^1, \psi_{NC}^0) \in \Psi$, there exists such a w^0 with

$$w^0 = \partial_\tau \psi_C^0 + I_{EC} A^T \psi_C^1 + I_{ENC} A^T (I^0 \psi_C^0 + \psi_{NC}^0).$$

Plugging this expression in the second equation ends the proof. \square

6. Examples. Let us establish in detail the homogenized models for the three examples.

6.1. Example 1. The nodes and branches are numbered according to the figure, $n_c = 1$, $E_C = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$, $E_{NC} = \{e_5\}$, $N_C = \{n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5\}$, $N_{NC} = \{n_2, n_6\}$, $N_0 = \{n_6\}$, $N_C^0 = \{n_2\}$ (arbitrary choice in N_C). The local matrices are

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \begin{pmatrix} rI_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M = M^\varepsilon = M^0 = \begin{pmatrix} -I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s = \begin{pmatrix} 0_4 \\ \widehat{\mathbf{i}}_s \end{pmatrix}, \\ S_v &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_c = \begin{pmatrix} I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Pi_c = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{4 \times 4} & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \Pi_v &= \begin{pmatrix} I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_s = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} I_5, \quad R^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} r I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \widehat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 0_4 \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \widehat{\mathbf{i}}_s \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

So we assume that $r = \varepsilon r^0$ and $\widehat{\mathbf{i}}_s = \varepsilon(i_s^0 + O(\varepsilon))$ then $R^0 = \begin{pmatrix} r^0 I_4 & 0_{4 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$,

$u_s^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0_4 \\ i_s^0 \end{pmatrix}$. The incidence matrix is

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here $\psi_{NC} = 0$, then $\Psi^m = \{\psi_C \in \mathbb{R}^6 / \psi_C = J\psi_C^* \text{ where } \psi_C^* \in \mathbb{R}^2\}$ with $J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$. Moreover $y(n) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\tau = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$, $I^0 = (1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0)^T$, $u_s^0 = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ i_s^0)^T$.

The problem micro has the form $K(i, \varphi_C^*)^T = L(\theta, \eta, i_s)^T$ (here we prefer to work with i_s^0 in place of the whole u_s^0). An explicit calculation shows that $G = K^{-1}L = \begin{pmatrix} G_{11} & 0_{4 \times 2} \\ 0_{3 \times 2} & G_{22} \end{pmatrix}^T$ with $G_{11} = -\frac{1}{2r^0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$ and $G_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$.

Thus \mathcal{L}_i , \mathcal{P}_v and \mathcal{H}_v vanish, $\mathcal{P}_i = \frac{1}{2r^0} \tau$, $\mathcal{H}_i = \mathcal{L}_v = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1)^T$. Then, Q^H , S^H and F^H vanish and φ_C^0 is governed by the Laplace equation

$$\Delta \varphi_C^0 = 2r^0 i_s^0 \text{ in } \Omega$$

with the boundary conditions $\varphi_C^0 = 0$ on Γ_0 and $\nabla \varphi_C^0 \cdot n = 0$ on $\Gamma - \Gamma_0$. Finally, the two-scale current and voltages are given by

$$\begin{aligned} i^0 &= (\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0 \ i_s^0)^T \\ v^0 &= (\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0 \ \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0 \ \varphi_C^0)^T. \end{aligned}$$

6.2. Example 2. Here $n_c = 0$, $E_C = \emptyset$, $E_{NC} = \{e_1, e_2\}$, $N_C = \emptyset$, $N_{NC} = \{n_1, n_2\}$. The local matrices are $R = \begin{pmatrix} r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $M = M^\varepsilon = M^0 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_s = \hat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{i}}_s \end{pmatrix}$, $S_v = I_2$, $S_c = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}I_2$, $\Pi_c = 0$, $\Pi_v = I_2$, $S_s = I_2$, $R^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. So we assume that $r = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}r^0$ and $\hat{\mathbf{i}}_s = v_s^0 + O(\varepsilon)$ then $R^0 = \begin{pmatrix} r^0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $u_s^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_s^0 \end{pmatrix}$. Since $E_C = \emptyset$ there is no macroscopic model and (i^0, v, φ_{NC}^0) solves only the cell problem with $\Psi^m = \{\psi_{NC} \in \mathbb{R}^2 / \psi_{NC} = J\psi_{NC}^* \text{ where } \psi_{NC}^* \in \mathbb{R}\}$ with $J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. So The problem micro has the form $K(i, \varphi_{NC}^{0*})^T = L(v_s)^T$ which leads to $i^0 = -\frac{v_s^0}{r^0}(1, 1)^T$ $\varphi_{NC}^0 = -v_s^0$ and $v = v_s^0(-1, 1)^T$.

6.3. Example 3. Here $n_c = 1$, $E_C = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5\}$, $E_{NC} = \{e_6, e_7\}$, $N_C = \{n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5\}$, $N_{NC} = \{n_6, n_7\}$, $N_0 = \{n_7\}$, $N_C^0 = \{n_2\}$ (arbitrary choice in N_C), $R = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{R} & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & \delta_{11} + \delta_{33} \end{pmatrix}$, $\tilde{R} = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 I_2 & 0_{2 \times 2} \\ 0_{2 \times 2} & r_1 I_2 \end{pmatrix}$,

$$M = M^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} -I_4 & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & k\delta_{13} + \delta_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_s = \begin{pmatrix} 0_5 \\ \hat{\mathbf{i}}_s \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, S_v = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varepsilon}I_5 & 0_{5 \times 2} \\ 0_{2 \times 5} & I_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$S_c = \begin{pmatrix} I_5 & 0_{5 \times 2} \\ 0_{2 \times 5} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon}I_2 \end{pmatrix}, \Pi_c = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{4 \times 4} & 0_{4 \times 2} \\ 0_{2 \times 4} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(\delta_{11} + \delta_{33}) \end{pmatrix}, \Pi_v = \begin{pmatrix} I_4 & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & \delta_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$S_s = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varepsilon}rI_4 & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & \delta_{11} + \delta_{22} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\delta_{33} \end{pmatrix}, R^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\varepsilon}rI_4 & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & \delta_{11} + \delta_{33} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_s^\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 0_5 \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_s \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where we used the submatrix δ_{ij} having all its entries vanishing excepted the entry (i, j) . The size of such a submatrix is known by its surrounding submatrices. So we assume that $r_q = \varepsilon r_q^0$, $\tilde{R} = \varepsilon \tilde{R}^0$, $k = k^0$ and $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_s = v_s^0 + O(\varepsilon)$

then $R^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{R}^0 I_4 & 0_{4 \times 3} \\ 0_{3 \times 4} & \delta_{11} + \delta_{33} \end{pmatrix}$, $u_s^0 = (0_5, v_s^0, 0)^T$. The incidence matrix is $A^T =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } X_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, X_{12} = 0_{4 \times 2}, X_{21} = \delta_{11} -$$

$$\delta_{12}, X_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, y(n) \text{ is the same than in example 1, } I^0 = I_{N_C} \text{ and } \tau =$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T. \text{ Here } \Psi^m = \{(\psi_C, \psi_{NC}) = (J_C \psi_C^*, J_{NC} \psi_{NC}^*)$$

where $(\psi_C^*, \psi_{NC}^*) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}\}$ with $J_C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$ and $J_{NC} =$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$. The problem micro has the form $K(i, \varphi_C^*, \varphi_{NC}^*)^T = L(\theta, \eta, v_s^0)^T$ (here we prefer to work with v_s^0 in place of the whole u_s^0). An explicit

calculation shows that $G = K^{-1}L = \begin{pmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ 0_{6 \times 2} & G_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ with

$$G_{11} = -\frac{1}{2r^0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T, \quad G_{12} = \frac{1}{2k^0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $G_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ k^0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}k^0r^0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Since

$$i = \mathcal{T}_i(\theta, \eta, v_s)^T,$$

$$v = I_{EC} A^T J_C \varphi_C^* + I_{ENC} A^T J_{NC} \varphi_{NC}^* = \mathcal{T}_v(\theta, \eta, v_s)^T,$$

$$\text{and } \varphi_{NC} = J_{NC} \varphi_{NC}^* = \mathcal{T}_\varphi(\theta, \eta, v_s)^T$$

with $\mathcal{T}_i = [K^{-1}L]_{\{1,\dots,7\} \times \cdot}$, $\mathcal{T}_\varphi = J_{NC}[K^{-1}L]_{\{10\} \times \cdot}$ and $\mathcal{T}_v = I_{EC} A^T J_C [K^{-1}L]_{\{8,9\} \times \cdot} + I_{ENC} A^T J_{NC} [K^{-1}L]_{\{10\} \times \cdot}$.

$$\text{Then } \mathcal{P}_i = [\mathcal{T}_i]_{\cdot \times \{1,2\}} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{r_1^0} & \frac{1}{r_1^0} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{r_2^0} & \frac{1}{r_2^0} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T, \quad \mathcal{L}_i = [\mathcal{T}_i]_{\cdot \times \{3\}} =$$

0, $\mathcal{H}_i = [\mathcal{T}_i]_{\cdot \times \{4\}} = \frac{k^0}{2}(-1, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0)^T$, $\mathcal{P}_v = [\mathcal{T}_v]_{\cdot \times \{1,2\}} = 0$, $\mathcal{L}_v = [\mathcal{T}_v]_{\cdot \times \{3\}} = 0$ and

$\mathcal{H}_v = [\mathcal{T}_v]_{\cdot \times \{4\}} = (-\frac{r_1^0 k^0}{2}, \frac{r_1^0 k^0}{2}, 0, 0, \frac{r_2^0 k^0}{2}, 1, -1)^T$, $\mathcal{P}_\varphi = [\mathcal{T}_\varphi]_{\cdot \times \{1,2\}} = 0$, $\mathcal{L}_\varphi = [\mathcal{T}_\varphi]_{\cdot \times \{3\}} = 0$ and $\mathcal{H}_\varphi = [\mathcal{T}_\varphi]_{\cdot \times \{4\}} = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0)^T$. Q^H , S^H and F^H vanishes and φ_C^0 is governed by the Laplace equation

$$\left(\frac{1}{r_1^0} \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 + \frac{1}{r_2^0} \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2\right) \varphi_C^0 = k^0 \partial_{x_1} v_s^0 \text{ in } \Omega \quad (25)$$

with the boundary conditions $\varphi_C^0 = 0$ on Γ_0 and $\nabla \varphi_C^0 \cdot n = 0$ on $\Gamma - \Gamma_0$. Finally, the two-scale current and voltages are given by

$$i^0 = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0}{r_1^0} + \frac{k^0 v_s^0}{2}, \frac{\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0}{r_1^0} - \frac{k^0 v_s^0}{2}, \frac{\partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0}{r_2^0}, \frac{\partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0}{r_2^0}, -2k^0 v_s^0, 0, 0 \right)^T, \quad (26)$$

$$v^0 = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 + r_1^0 k^0 v_s^0, \partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 - r_1^0 k^0 v_s^0, \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0, \partial_{x_2} \varphi_C^0, \quad (27)$$

$$\partial_{x_1} \varphi_C^0 + r_1^0 k^0, -2v_s^0, 2v_s^0)^T$$

and $\varphi_{NC}^0 = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0)^T v_s^0$. (28)

7. Numerical validation. This section is devoted to some validations of the two-scale model stated in the theorem 1 based on comparisons of solutions of the complete periodic electronic circuit, also called Direct Circuit Simulation (DCS), with solutions of the two-scale model. Our study is done on the third example detailed above for various voltage source distributions and various parameters.

In each case, the assumptions H0-H5 are fulfilled, so that the application of theorem 1 is well justified. In particular, the assumption H3, saying that the data and the DCS/s solution must be bounded, has been checked numerically for an increasing number of cells. This has been done by running the DCS for a sequence of circuit with an increasing number of cells. Thus, the norms of the scaled two-scale transforms of voltages and currents have been plotted as functions of the circuit size. In each case, it has been found that those norms remain almost constant.

For each of the following test, one starts by choosing a continuous distribution of voltage sources $(v_s^0(x))_{x \in \Omega}$ then the voltage sources applied to the periodic circuit are deduced through the inverse two-scale transform (19) and scaling (8):

$$\mathbf{v}_s = T_E^* S_v^{-1} v_s^0.$$

Simply speaking the voltage source in a cell is equal to the scaled mean value of v_s^0 over the cell. Once the solution (v^0, i^0) of the two-scale model (25-27) are available, the voltages and the currents may be approximated through

$$\mathbf{v} \approx T_E^* S_v^{-1} v^0 \text{ and } \mathbf{i} \approx T S_i^{-1} i^0.$$

The associated errors of approximation in a branch $e_j \in E$ are

$$r_{v,j} = \left(\sum_{\mu} (\mathbf{v} - T_E^* S_v^{-1} v^0)_{\mathcal{I}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \text{ and } r_{i,j} = \left(\sum_{\mu} (\mathbf{i} - T S_i^{-1} i^0)_{\mathcal{I}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \text{ for } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j)$$

when the global errors are

$$r_v = \sum_{j=1}^7 \left(\sum_{\mu} r_{v,j}^2 \right)^{1/2} \text{ and } r_i = \sum_{j=1}^7 \left(\sum_{\mu} r_{i,j}^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

The approximation of the node voltages φ is realized on a different manner. From the solution φ_C^0 of (25) the approximation of the node voltages is build as follows

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{I}} \approx \varphi_C^0(x_{\mu}^{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon y(n_j)) \text{ for } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, j) \text{ and } n_j \in N_C.$$

The corresponding local and global errors are

$$r_{\varphi,j} = \left(\sum_{\mu} (\varphi_{\mathcal{I}} - \varphi_C^0(x_{\mu}^{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon y(n_j)))^2 \right)^{1/2} \text{ and } r_{\varphi} = \left(\sum_{\mu} r_{\varphi,j}^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

For the voltage at the sixth node which belong to a non crossing path the approximation is more simple because it does not need to refer to the spatial location in the cell

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{I}} \approx \varphi_C^0(x_{\mu}^{\varepsilon}) \text{ for } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, 6).$$

We limit this presentation to some continuously distributed voltage sources v_s^0 so that the equation (25) can be solved explicitly. However, we will also refer to its resolution by a Finite Element Method (FEM) with triangular P^1 elements. Its mesh is taken regular and constituted of $N \times N$ squares, each being divided in two triangles.

Let us start with the distributed current source

$$v_s^0(x) = \frac{\pi(r_1^0 + r_2^0)}{k^0 r_1^0 r_2^0} \cos(\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2)$$

so that

$$\varphi_C^0(x) = \sin(\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2) \quad (29)$$

from which the currents and voltages are easily deduced through the relation (26-27). In all the subsequent study $k^0 = r_1^0 = 1$ and we start by choosing $r_2^0 = 1$.

The first column of the figure 4 represents the voltage distribution at the first node (first row) and of the first branch (second row) computed for a 15x15 cells DCS. The same fields computed with a FEM with $N = 15$ are plotted on the second column. These results show a good qualitative agreement between the solutions of both models.

Quantitative results are reported on the figure 5. The first and second graphs present the relative local errors for the first node's voltage and the first branch's voltage

$$\frac{r_{\varphi,1}}{\left(\sum_{\mu} (\varphi_C^0(x_{\mu}^{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon y(n_1)))^2 \right)^{1/2}} \text{ and } \frac{r_{v,1}}{\left(\sum_{\mu} (T_E^* S_v^{-1} v^0)_{\mathcal{I}}^2 \right)^{1/2}} \text{ with } \mathcal{I} \sim (\mu, 1).$$

The results are related to three circuits with 10×10 , 15×15 and 20×20 cells for the DCS and three meshes with $N = 10$, 15 and 20 for the FEM. For simplicity we

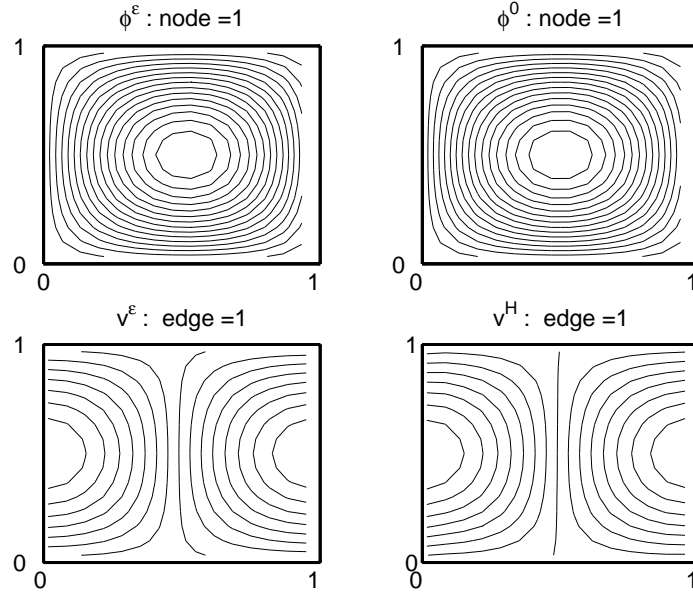


FIGURE 4. Comparison of the complete model and the two-scale model

have reported results only for the first node and the first branch. However the same experiments for other nodes and branches have been carried out and have provided the same kind of results. All of them show a significant decrease in the difference between both solutions when the number of cells increases. This says that the two-scale model is an increasingly better approximation of the DCS when the number of cells increases. This is in agreement with the statement of the theorem 7. By another way, the results show also that the approximation is not much sensitive to a mesh refinement, which means that a relatively coarse mesh is enough to give a correct approximation of φ as well as the local fields \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{i} . In short, the results show that the two-scale model can be considered as an efficient approximation of the DCS at a low cost. Regarding the question of computational cost, the graph to the right presents the ratio of the computation time t^H for the two-scale model versus the computation time t^ϵ of the DCS for the three circuits and the three meshes. Let us quote that only the order of magnitude are meaningful because our code is not fully optimized. More the number of cells increases more the computation time of the two-scale model is low compared to this of the DCS. For example for 20×20 cells and $N = 10$ the ratio t^H/t^ϵ is less than $1/10$. Through our experiments we have also noticed that this ratio is even better when the circuit complexity is increased.

The above presentation is focused on the comparison of the DCS and the FEM for the two-scale model regarding the voltages of the first node and of the first branch. Now we extend the study to the analysis of the global relative error

$$\frac{r_v}{\left(\sum_{\mathcal{I}} (T_E^* S_v^{-1} v^0)_{\mathcal{I}}^2\right)^{1/2}}$$

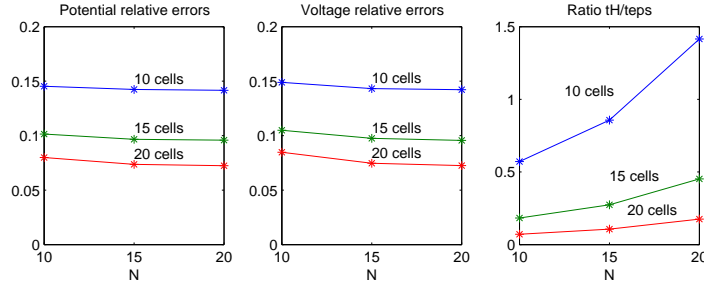


FIGURE 5. Errors and simulation times

as well as to the partial relative errors

$$\frac{r_{v,j}}{(\sum_I (T_E^* S_v^{-1} v^0)_I^2)^{1/2}}$$

for $j = 1, 2, 3$ when v^0 is computed exactly from (29-27). It is worthwhile to notice that the voltages are equal on the first and the fifth branches, they are opposite on the sixth and seventh branches and they are also equal on the third and the fourth branches in this particular example. The voltage on the sixth branch being imposed it is not of interest for our analysis. It is so for the currents because they are easily deduced from the voltages by some simple linear relations. Finally, only the partial relative errors related to the voltages of the first, the second and the third branches are reported. Those relative errors as functions of the number of cells are presented on the left graph of the Figure 6. Let us first remark that all partial errors and then the global error diminish to zero when the number of cell increases. By doing the simulation we have observed a sensitivity of the results with respect to the ratio r_1^0/r_2^0 . In the right graph convergence results related to $r_2^0 = 10$ are reported. Indeed we observe an improved rate of convergence at least on the first and second branches.

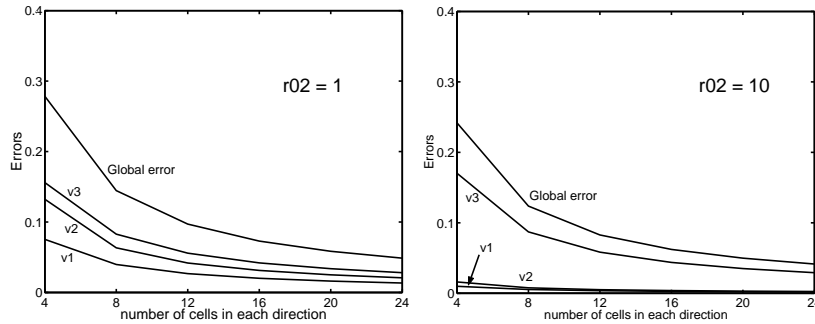


FIGURE 6. Global and partial relative errors

From the result reported in the Figure 4, it may be deduced that the the distribution of errors is relatively uniform in the whole domain. We found that this is no more the case for some other choices of distributed voltage source v_s^0 . As an example, we consider a uniform voltage source distribution $v_s^0(x) = 1$ for which

$\varphi_C^0(x) = 0$ and $v_1^0 = -\frac{1}{2}$ when $r_1^0 = r_2^0 = 1$. The global and partial errors are represented to the left of the Figure 7. All of them decrease to zero which validate the theorem 1. However, from the right graph, where the distribution of errors for the voltage on the first branch is plotted for a 24x24 cells circuit, one see a concentration of error near the four corners. We also have observed that more the number of cells increases more the error is concentrated near the corners. This example illustrate the need for further exploration of the error analysis as well as the need of an improvement of the model in order to avoid such localized errors.

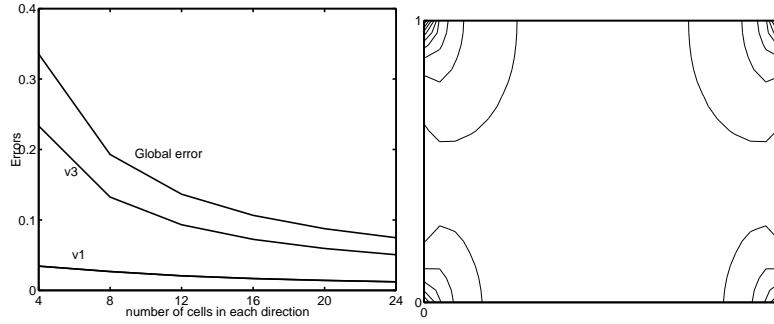


FIGURE 7. Global and partial relative errors for $v_s^0 = 1$

8. **Annex.** The proof of the lemma 4 necessitates the fundamental lemma 7 stated and proved hereafter. It requires additional results on two-scale transform for nodes that we establish at first. The proof includes quite long calculations that we do not want to see in the core of the paper. However, we must emphasize that it constitutes an important part of our work.

8.1. **Properties of the two-scale transform T_N .** Let us recall that the set \mathcal{N} is made of nodes $n_{\mathcal{I}}$ with $\mathcal{I} \in \{1, \dots, |\mathcal{N}|\}$ and the set N of nodes n_j with $j \in \{1, \dots, |N|\}$. The subset of N of nodes belonging to the boundary of the cell Y is denoted by ∂N . Because \mathcal{N} is εY -periodic, it turns out that each node $n \in \partial N$ has its counterpart $n' \in \partial N$ on the opposite side. If the former's index is j then the latter's one is denoted by j' . The outward normal vector to the boundary of Y at n being denoted by $n_Y(n)$, it turns out that $n_Y(n') = -n_Y(n)$. For a given multi-integer $\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d$ we define the multi-integer

$$\mu' = \mu + n_Y(n)$$

associated to n and μ . Let I and (μ, j) be linked through the relation $I \sim (\mu, j)$. If $n_{\mathcal{I}}$ belongs to only one cell then there exists a unique such (μ, j) . If $n_{\mathcal{I}}$ is located at the interface between two cells then I is associated to two couples (μ, j) and (μ', j') with μ' and j' derived as above from μ and j . In short we say that $I \sim (\mu, j)$ and $I \sim (\mu', j')$. Conversely if two couples (μ, j) and (λ, l) correspond to the same I then j is the index of a node located on the boundary of the cell and $(\lambda, l) = (\mu', j')$. These statements are condensed in the next proposition.

Proposition 3. *Two couples (μ, j) and (λ, l) come from a same index I if and only if $n_j \in \partial N$ and $(\lambda, l) = (\mu', j')$.*

The map that send a vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}^\varepsilon|}$ towards a tensor $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m^d} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ has been well defined in § 3.1. From the above discussion, it is clear that it is not onto. There exist some $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m^d} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ that does not have a counter-image $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}^\varepsilon|}$.

Proposition 4. *A tensor $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m^d} \times \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ is the image of $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}^\varepsilon|}$ if and only if $U_{\mu j} = U_{kl}$ for all couples $(\mu, j), (\lambda, l)$ such that $n_j \in \partial N$ and $(\lambda, l) = (\mu', j')$.*

Proof. We must prove that $U_{\mu j} = U_{kl}$ for all couples (μ, j) and (λ, l) associated a same index I. The proposition 3 yields the conclusion. \square

It becomes clear that if $\partial N \neq \emptyset$ then T_N is not onto in $\mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{N}|}$. Let us state the compatibility conditions on $v \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ insuring that it has a counter-image by T_E . For a given $x \in \Omega$ and node $n \in \partial N$ we define

$$x' = x + \varepsilon n_Y(n).$$

Proposition 5. *A function $v \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|})$ is the two-scale transform of a vector of $\mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}^\varepsilon|}$ if and only if*

$$v_{j'}(x') = v_j(x)$$

for all $(x, n_j) \in \Omega \times \partial N$ and for $x' = x + \varepsilon n_Y(n_j)$.

Proof. Since $v \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ it may be written $v_j(x) = \sum_{\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d} V_{\mu j} \chi_{Y_\mu^\varepsilon}(x)$. From the proposition 3 there exists $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}^\varepsilon|}$ such that $U_{\mu j} = V_{\mu j}$ if and only if $V_{\mu j} = V_{\mu' j'}$ for all $\mu \in \{1, \dots, m\}^d$ and $j \in \partial N$. In other words $v_j(x_\mu^\varepsilon) = v_{j'}(x_{\mu'}^\varepsilon)$ or equivalently $v_j(x_\mu^\varepsilon) = v_{j'}(x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon n_Y(n_j))$ because $x_{\mu'}^\varepsilon = x_\mu^\varepsilon + \varepsilon n_Y(n_j)$. The result follows remarking that v is piecewise constant with respect to x . \square

For a given node $n \in \partial N$, the largest subset of $x \in \Omega$ such that $x' \in \Omega$ is denoted by $\Omega(n)$:

$$\Omega(n) = \{x \in \Omega \text{ such that } x' \in \Omega\}.$$

Because $n_Y(n') = -n_Y(n)$ one may observe that $x = x' + n_Y(n')$, so $x \in \Omega(n)$ if and only if $x' \in \Omega(n')$.

The outward normal vector to the boundary Γ of Ω in a point $x \in \Gamma$ is denoted by $n_\Omega(x)$ and the subset of couples $(x, n) \in \Gamma \times \partial N$ having the same normal $n_Y(n)$ and $n_\Omega(x)$ is denoted by

$$\partial(\Omega, N) = \{(x, n) \in \Gamma \times \partial N \text{ such that } n_Y(n) = n_\Omega(x)\}.$$

A straightforward characterization of the complementary set $\Omega - \Omega(n)$ of $\Omega(n)$ follows:

$$\Omega - \Omega(n) = \{x = \bar{x} - \varepsilon \theta n_Y(n) \text{ where } \theta \in (0, 1) \text{ and } (\bar{x}, n) \in \partial(\Omega, N)\}. \quad (30)$$

Fundamental lemma

Lemma 7. *If $\phi \in \mathbb{P}^0(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{N}|})$ belongs to the range of T_N and $\psi \in \mathcal{C}^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|\mathcal{N}|})$ then*

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \phi_j(x) \psi_j(x) \, d(x, j) = - \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \phi_j(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) \, d(x, j) + b(\phi, \psi) + O(\varepsilon)$$

more precisely

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \phi_j(x) \psi_j(x) \, d(x, j) + \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \phi_j(x) (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) \, d(x, j) - b(\phi, \psi) \right| \\ & \leq \varepsilon (e_1(\phi, \psi) + e_2(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi) + e_2(\phi, \psi)). \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned}
y \cdot \nabla_x \psi &\in \mathcal{C}^0(\Omega)^{|\mathcal{N}|}, \quad (y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_j(x) = \sum_{l=1}^d y_l(n_j) \partial_{x_l} \psi_j(x), \\
b(\phi, \psi) &= \sum_{j \in \partial N} \int_{\Gamma} \chi_{\partial(\Omega, N)}(\bar{x}, j) \phi_j(\bar{x}) \int_0^1 \psi(\bar{x} - \varepsilon \theta n_Y(n_j)) d\theta \, d\bar{x} \\
e_1(\phi, \psi) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\phi\|_{\partial N} \left(\left\| \frac{\Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi - n_Y \cdot \nabla_x \psi}{\varepsilon} \right\|_{\partial N} + \left\| \left(y - \frac{n_Y}{2} \right) \nabla_x \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi \right\|_{\partial N} \right) \\
e_2(\phi, \psi) &= \left(\int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \phi_j^2(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{\partial(\Omega, N)} \int_0^1 \psi_j^2(\bar{x} - \varepsilon \theta n_Y) \, d\theta \, d\bar{x} \right)^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

where $n_Y(n)$ is set to zero for $n \notin \partial N$, $(\Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi)_j(x) = \frac{\psi_j(x + \varepsilon n_Y(n_j)) - \psi_j(x)}{\varepsilon}$, $\mathbb{R}_{antiper}^{|\mathcal{N}|}$ is defined in (21) and for shortness we have used the notations

$$(\phi, \psi)_{\partial N} = \int_{\Omega \times \partial N} \phi_j(x) \psi_j(x) \, d(x, j) \quad \text{and} \quad \|\phi\|_{\partial N} = (\phi, \phi)_{\partial N}^{1/2}.$$

Proof. For each $n \in \partial N$ we use the partition of Ω in $\Omega(n)$ and its complementary so that

$$(\phi, \psi)_{\partial N} = a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + a_b(\phi, \psi)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{int}(\phi, \psi) &= \sum_{n_j \in \partial N} \int_{\Omega(n_j)} \phi_j(x) \psi_j(x) \, d(x, j) \\
\text{and } a_b(\phi, \psi) &= \sum_{n_j \in \partial N} \int_{\Omega - \Omega(n_j)} \phi_j(x) \psi_j(x) \, d(x, j).
\end{aligned}$$

- (i) The characterization (30) of $\Omega - \Omega(n)$ yields $|a_b(\phi, \psi)| = |\varepsilon b(\phi, \psi)| \leq \varepsilon e_2(\phi, \psi)$.
- (ii) Let us prove that

$$a_{int}(\phi, \psi) = -a_{int}(\phi, \psi(x + \varepsilon n_Y(n))).$$

In the one side ϕ belongs to the range of T_E and the proposition 5 tell us that $\phi_j(x) = \phi_{j'}(x')$ and in the other side $\psi_j = -\psi_{j'}$. Then

$$a_{int}(\phi, \psi) = - \sum_{n_j \in \partial N} \int_{\Omega(n_j)} \phi_{j'}(x') \psi_{j'}(x) \, dx.$$

For a given j let us first apply the variable change $x \rightarrow x' = x + \varepsilon n_Y(n_j)$ which maps $\Omega(n_j)$ to $\Omega(n_{j'})$ and in a second step let us replace the numbering by j with a numbering by j' it comes

$$= - \sum_{n_{j'} \in \partial N} \int_{\Omega(n_{j'})} \phi_{j'}(x') \psi_{j'}(x) \, dx' = -a_{int}(\phi, \psi(x')) = -a_{int}(\phi, \psi(x + \varepsilon n_Y(n))).$$

- (iii) Let us deduce that

$$\left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + a_{int}(\phi, (y \cdot \nabla_x) \psi) \right| \leq \varepsilon e_1(\phi, \psi). \quad (31)$$

Thanks to (ii),

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) = \frac{a_{int}(\phi, \psi) - a_{int}(\phi, \psi(x'))}{2\varepsilon} = -\frac{1}{2} a_{int}(\phi, \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi). \quad (32)$$

For $n \in \partial N$, we make use of the decomposition $y(n) = [y(n)] + \{y(n)\}$ in its periodic part $\{y(n)\} = (y(n) + y(n'))/2$ and its counter-periodic parts $[y(n)] = (y(n) - y(n'))/2$. For $n \in N - \partial N$, $[y(n)]$ and $\{y(n)\}$ are set to 0. From the triangular inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + a_{int}(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi) \right| &\leq \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + a_{int}(\phi, [y] \cdot \nabla_x \psi) \right| \\ &\quad + |a_{int}(\phi, [y] \cdot \nabla_x \psi) - a_{int}(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)| \end{aligned}$$

combined with (32) and the fact that $n_Y(y) = 2[y]$:

$$\leq \left| \frac{1}{2} a_{int}(\phi, \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi - n_Y \cdot \nabla_x \psi) \right| + |a_{int}(\phi, \{y\} \cdot \nabla_x \psi)|.$$

Applying (32) with $\psi_j := \{y(n_j)\} \nabla_x \psi_j$:

$$a_{int}(\phi, \{y\} \nabla_x \psi) = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} a_{int}(\phi, \{y\} \cdot \nabla_x \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|\phi\|_{\partial N} \|\{y\} \cdot \nabla_x \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi\|_{\partial N}$$

thus

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|\phi\|_{\partial N} \left(\left\| \frac{\Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi - n_Y \cdot \nabla_x \psi}{\varepsilon} \right\|_{\partial N} + \|\{y\} \cdot \nabla_x \Delta_{\varepsilon n_Y} \psi\|_{\partial N} \right)$$

which is the wanted result (31).

(iv) Thus

$$\left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + (\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_{\partial N} \right| \leq \varepsilon (e_1(\phi, \psi) + e_2(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)).$$

after remarking that

$$(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_{\partial N} - a_{int}(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi) = a_b(\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)$$

and by using (i).

(v) The conclusion comes from

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (\phi, \psi)_{\partial N} + (\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_{\partial N} - b(\phi, \psi) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_{int}(\phi, \psi) + (\phi, y \cdot \nabla_x \psi)_{\partial N} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a_b(\phi, \psi) - b(\phi, \psi) \right| \end{aligned}$$

and by using (i) and (iv). \square

Conclusion: A two-scale model of spatially periodic linear electronic circuit have been stated, proved and illustrated by few simple examples. Its statement and derivation are based on the concept of two-scale transform and convergence of vector and matrices also introduced in this paper. The numerical results prove the interest of the method in terms of computation cost. We think that this kind of model which gives a global view of the whole system could also be very useful in a process of circuit design.

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