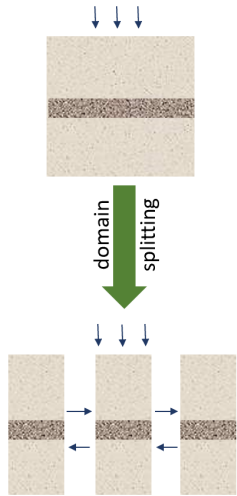


## Proposal – Master Thesis

### A Knowledge-Driven Reduced Order Biphasic Model for Fluid-Saturated Deformable Porous Materials

**Motivation:**

Fluid-saturated poro-elastic materials, such as soil or biological tissues, are modeled using a biphasic model with strongly coupled differential equations. Solving these equations is of high computational complexity, mainly for nondeterministic models or data-driven evaluations. Therefore, applying model order reduction methods is crucial to reduce the complexity.



For thin porous materials, a reduced order model has been derived by means of asymptotic analysis in [Armiti-Juber and Ricken, 2021]. It provides reliable solutions in thin domains, while accuracy is limited in non-thin domains with effective dynamics in transverse direction. It is expected that the accuracy of the reduced model can be improved in non-thin domains by splitting them into several interacting thin sub-domains. Then, the reduced model can be applied for each sub-domain by taking into account the interaction between them.

**Goal:**

This thesis aims to extend the applicability of the reduced model in [Armiti-Juber and Ricken, 2021] to non-thin domains.

**Tasks:**

- 1) Understand the asymptotic analysis for the reduced model.
- 2) Set up a numerical scheme based on the FEM for the extended reduced model in a several interacting thin domains.
- 3) Implement the discretized extended reduced model and perform several numerical comparisons.

**Requirements:**

- 1) Knowledge of fluid dynamics and/or solid mechanics
- 2) Knowledge of numerical simulation and FEM
- 3) Programming experience



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