

# Averaging approximation to singularly perturbed nonlinear stochastic wave equations

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An averaging method is applied to derive effective approximation to the following singularly perturbed nonlinear stochastic damped wave equation  $\nu u_{tt} + u_t = \Delta u + f(u) + \nu^\alpha \dot{W}$  on an open bounded domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $1 \leq n \leq 3$ . Here  $\nu > 0$  is a small parameter characterising the singular perturbation, and  $\nu^\alpha$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$ , parametrises the strength of the noise. Some scaling transformations and the martingale representation theorem yield the following effective approximation for small  $\nu$ ,  $u_t = \Delta u + f(u) + \nu^\alpha \dot{W}$  to an error of  $\mathcal{O}(\nu^\alpha)$ .

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