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Sommario/riassunto	The proton exchange membrane fuel cell is an electrochemical energy conversion device, which transforms a fuel such as hydrogen and an oxidant such as oxygen in ambient air into electricity with heat and water byproducts. The device is more efficient than an internal combustion engine because reactants are directly converted into energy through a one-step electrochemical reaction. Fuel cells combined with water electrolyzers, which electrochemically split water into hydrogen and oxygen using renewable energy sources such as solar, mitigate global warming concerns with reduced carbon dioxide emissions. This collection of papers covers recent advancements in fuel cell technology aimed at reducing cost, improving performance, and extending durability, which are perceived as crucial for a successful commercialization. Almost all key materials, as well as their integration into a cell, are discussed: the bus plates that collect the electrical current, the gas diffusion medium that distributes the reactants over catalysts promoting faster reactions, and the membrane separating oxygen and hydrogen gases and closing the electrical circuit by transporting protons. Fuel cell operation below the freezing point of water and with impure reactant streams, which impacts durability, is also discussed.

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 2.2. Comments on techniques for micro-macro upscaling
 2.2.1. Homogenization techniques for separated length scales; 2.2.2. The ideal homogenization method; 2.3. Statistical modeling; 2.4. Method of multiple scale expansions; 2.4.1. Formulation of multiple scale problems; 2.4.1.1. Homogenizability conditions; 2.4.1.2. Double spatial variable; 2.4.1.3. Stationarity, asymptotic expansions; 2.4.2. Methodology; 2.4.3. Parallels between macroscopic models for materials with periodic and random structures; 2.4.3.1. Periodic materials; 2.4.3.2. Random materials with a REV
 2.4.4. Hill macro-homogeneity and separation of scales
 2.5. Comments on multiple scale methods and statistical methods; 2.5.1. On the periodicity, the stationarity and the concept of the REV; 2.5.2. On the absence of, or need for macroscopic prerequisites; 2.5.3. On the homogenizability and consistency of the macroscopic description; 2.5.4. On the treatment of problems with several small parameters; Chapter 3. Homogenization by Multiple Scale Asymptotic Expansions; 3.1. Introduction; 3.2. Separation of scales: intuitive approach and experimental visualization
 3.2.1. Intuitive approach to the separation of scales
 3.2.2. Experimental visualization of fields with two length scales; 3.2.2.1. Investigation of a flexible net; 3.2.2.2. Photoelastic investigation of a perforated plate; 3.3. One-dimensional example; 3.3.1. Elasto-statics; 3.3.1.1. Equivalent macroscopic description; 3.3.1.2. Comments; 3.3.2. Elasto-dynamics; 3.3.2.1. Macroscopic dynamics: $PI = O(2)$; 3.3.2.2. Steady state: $PI = O(3)$; 3.3.2.3. Non-homogenizable description: $PI = O()$; 3.3.3. Comments on the different possible choices for spatial variables
 3.4. Expressing problems within the formalism of multiple scales

Sommario/riassunto

Both naturally-occurring and man-made materials are often heterogeneous materials formed of various constituents with different properties and behaviours. Studies are usually carried out on volumes of materials that contain a large number of heterogeneities. Describing these media by using appropriate mathematical models to describe each constituent turns out to be an intractable problem. Instead they are generally investigated by using an equivalent macroscopic description - relative to the microscopic heterogeneity scale - which describes the overall behaviour of the media. Fundamental que