Global solutions to compressible Navier-Stokes-Poisson equations on exterior domains

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Navier-Stokes-Poisson system

$$\begin{cases}
\rho_t + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0, \\
\rho(u_t + u \cdot \nabla u) + \nabla p(\rho) = \rho \nabla \Phi + \operatorname{div} S - \alpha \rho u, \\
\Delta \Phi = \rho - \bar{\rho},
\end{cases}$$
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$$\rho > 0$$
 — density, $u = (u^1, \cdots, u^n)$ — velocity,

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$$p$$
 — pressure, $p(\rho) = \rho^{\gamma}, \gamma \ge 1$,

- Φ the electrostatic potential.
- The viscous stress tensor *S* is given by $S = \mu \left(\nabla u + (\nabla u)^T \right) + \lambda \text{div} u I_n$, where μ and λ satisfy the physical conditions $\mu > 0$, $\lambda + \frac{2}{n}\mu \ge 0$.
- $\alpha \ge 0$ is a constant. When $\alpha > 0$, $\tau = \frac{1}{\alpha}$ is momentum relaxation time.
- $\bar{\rho} > 0$ is the background profile. We take $\bar{\rho} = 1$.

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Initial boundary conditions

Let Ω be an exterior domain in \mathbb{R}^n with compact smooth boundary. We consider the initial boundary value problem of (1) in the region $x \in \Omega$, $t \in [0, +\infty)$ with the following initial data

$$(\rho, u)(x, t = 0) = (\rho_0, u_0)(x),$$
 (2)

and boundary conditions

$$u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \ \nabla \Phi \cdot \nu \mid_{\partial\Omega} = 0,$$
 (3)

where v is the exterior normal vector.

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Related results on compressible Navier-Stokes equations on exterior domains

- The classical global existence of smooth solutions to the initial boundary value problem for 3-D compressible Navier-Stokes equations for initial date being small perturbations of constant states (Matsumura-Nishida, 1983 CMP).
- The decay estimate $\|\partial_x(\rho, v, \theta)\| = O(t^{-1/4})$ (Deckelnick, 1992 Math.Z.)
- The optimal rate of convergence of solutions as t → ∞ under the assumption that the initial data (ρ − ρ̄, u₀, θ₀ − θ̄₀) ∈ L¹. (Kobayashi-Shibata, 1999 CMP)
- In the radially symmetric case, for the problem on a domain exterior to a ball, the smallness constraints on the initial perturbations are removed (S.Jiang, 1996 CMP).

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Related results on compressible Navier-Stokes-Poisson equations

- The Cauchy problem (initial value problem without boundaries) of the compressible Navier-Stokes-Poisson system:
 - Optimal L^p-decay rate (p ∈ [2,∞]) of the compressible NSP system in ℝ³ (H.L.Li-Matsumura-G.J.Zhang, 2010 ARMA).
 - Optimal L^p-decay rate (p ≥ 1), multi-dimensions (n ≥ 3), (W.K.Wang-Z.G.Wu, 2010 JDE).
 - Optimal decay rate of the non-isentropic compressible NSP system in ℝ³ (G.J. Zhang-H.L. Li-C.J. Zhu, 2011 JDE).
 - The global solutions with large data to the Cauchy problem of the 1-D compressible NSP system (Z.Tan-T.Yang-H.J. Zhao-Q.Y. Zou, 2013 SIAM JMA)

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- For the asymptotic behavior when some physical parameters tend to zero, such as the quasi-neutral limit when the Debye length goes to zero, with or without physical boundaries. (L.Hsiao-T.Yang 2001; L.Hsiao-P.Markowich-S.Wang 2003; S.Wang-L.Jiang-C.Liu 2019; ···)
- The global existence of weak solutions of IBV problem of NSP on bounded domain in Sobolev framework (Donatelli 2003).

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The radially symmetric formulation of NSP

Let $\Omega \equiv \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |x| > a\},\$

$$u^{i}(x,t) = \frac{x_{i}}{r}u(r,t), \ i = 1, \cdots, n, \ \rho(x,t) = \rho(r,t), \ \Phi(x,t) = \Phi(r,t).$$

Assume that

$$\rho_0(x) = \rho_0(r), \ u_0(x) = \frac{xu_0(r)}{r},$$

Let $\beta := \lambda + 2\mu$, IBV problem (1)-(3) are reduced as:

$$\begin{cases} \rho_{t} + \partial_{r}(\rho u) + \frac{n-1}{r}\rho u = 0, & r \in (a, +\infty), \quad t > 0, \\ \rho(u_{t} + uu_{r}) + p'(\rho)\rho_{r} = \beta(u_{r} + \frac{n-1}{r}u)_{r} + \rho\Phi_{r}, \\ \Phi_{rr} + \frac{n-1}{r}\Phi_{r} = \rho - 1, \\ \rho(r, 0) = \rho_{0}(r), \ u(r, 0) = u_{0}(r), \ r \in [a, +\infty), \\ u(a, t) = 0, \ \Phi_{r}(a, t) = 0, \ t \ge 0. \end{cases}$$
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Lagrangian coordinates

The Eulerian coordinates (r, t) are connected to the Lagrangian coordinates (ζ, t) by the following relation

$$r(\zeta,t):=r_0(\zeta)+\int_0^t \tilde{u}(\zeta,\tau)d\tau,$$

where $\tilde{u}(\zeta, t) := u(r(\zeta, t), t)$ and

$$r_0(\zeta) := \eta^{-1}(\zeta), \ \eta(r) := \int_a^r s^{n-1} \rho_0(s) ds, \ r \in [a, +\infty).$$

For convenience and without the danger of confusion, $(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{\Phi})$ is still denoted by (ρ, u, Φ) and (ζ, t) by (x, t).

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The NSP systems in Lagrangian coordinates

In Lagrangian coordinates (x, t), let $v = \frac{1}{\rho}$, then (4) reads as

where $p(v) = v^{-\gamma}$, with the initial data and boundary condition

$$v(x,0) = v_0(x), \ u(x,0) = u_0(x), \ x \in [0,+\infty)$$
 (6)

$$u(0,t) = 0, \ \Phi_x(0,t) = 0, \ t \ge 0,$$
 (7)

$$v(x,t) \rightarrow 1, \ \Phi(x,t) \rightarrow 0, \ \text{ as } \ x \rightarrow +\infty,$$
 (8)

where $v_0 := \frac{1}{\rho_0}$.

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r = r(x, t) is determined by

$$r(x,t) = r_0(x) + \int_0^t u(x,\tau) d\tau, \ x \in [0,+\infty), \ t \ge 0,$$
$$r_0(x) = \left(a^n + n \int_0^x v_0(y) dy\right)^{1/n}.$$

The facts:

$$\begin{aligned} r_t(x,t) &= u(x,t), \\ r^{n-1}(x,t)r_x(x,t) &= v(x,t), \ x \in [0,+\infty), \ t \ge 0, \\ r(x,t) &\ge r(0,t) = a > 0, \ x \in [0,+\infty), \ t \ge 0. \end{aligned}$$

Main result: the global existence

Assume that

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_0^{n-1}\partial_x \Phi_0, v_0 - 1, r_0^{n-1}\partial_x v_0, r_0^{2n-2}\partial_{xx} v_0, r_0^{3n-3}\partial_{xxx} v_0 \end{pmatrix} \in L^2[0, +\infty); \\ \left(u_0, r_0^{n-1}\partial_x u_0, r_0^{2n-2}\partial_{xx} u_0, r_0^{3n-3}\partial_{xxx} u_0, r_0^{4n-4}\partial_{xxxx} u_0 \right) \in L^2[0, +\infty).$$
(9)

Theorem (L-Luo-Zhong)

Let the initial data (v_0, u_0) be compatible with the boundary conditions (7) and satisfy conditions (9). Then the initial boundary value problem (5)-(8) admits a unique smooth solution (v, u, Φ_x) on $(x, t) \in [0, +\infty) \times [0, T]$ for every T > 0.

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Difficulties

- Since the exterior domain is unbounded and the coefficients tend to infinity as x → +∞, some difficulties arise, for example, when n > 1, from the a priori estimates we could get only u(x, t) = o(x^{-1/2+1/2n}), but this is not sufficient to guarantee integration by parts where u(x, t) = o(x^{-1+1/n}) is required.
- For compressible Navier-Stokes-Poisson equations involving Φ_x , the boundedness of *v* is subtle.

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Lemma 1 (the basic energy estimate)

There is a positive constant E_0 independent of t, such that

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho |u|^2 + \tilde{A}(\rho) + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) (y, t) dy + \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \mu |\nabla u|^2 + (\mu + \lambda) (\operatorname{div} u)^2 \right\} dy ds \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho |u|^2 + \tilde{A}(\rho) + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) (y, 0) dy, \end{split}$$

where

$$\tilde{A}(\rho) = \begin{cases} \rho \ln \rho - \rho + 1, & \text{if } \gamma = 1, \\ \frac{\rho^{\gamma}}{\gamma - 1} - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}\rho + 1, & \text{if } \gamma > 1, \end{cases}$$

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or equivalently,

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{2} + A(v) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{r^{2n-2}\Phi_{x}^{2}}{v}\right)(x,t)dx + \beta \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{\left((r^{n-1}u)_{x}\right)^{2}}{v}dxds$$
$$= \int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{2} + A(v) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{r^{2n-2}\Phi_{x}^{2}}{v}\right)(x,0)dx \equiv E_{0},$$

where A(v) is defined as

$$A(v) = \begin{cases} v - \ln v - 1, & \text{if } \gamma = 1, \\ \frac{v^{-\gamma+1}}{\gamma-1} + v - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}, & \text{if } \gamma > 1. \end{cases}$$

Remark

For n = 1, the conservation of energy can also express as

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{2} + A(v) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\Phi_{x}}{v}\right)^{2}\right)(x,t)dx + \beta \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{u_{x}^{2}}{v}dxdt$$
$$= \int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{2} + A(v) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\Phi_{x}}{v}\right)^{2}\right)(x,0)dx.$$

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Lemma 2 (local bounds of the specific volume v)

For each $t \ge 0$ and for any $i \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a point $a_i(t) \in [i, i+1]$ such that

$$\alpha_1 \le v(a_i(t), t) \le \alpha_2, \quad \text{for } t \ge 0, \ i \in \mathbb{N},$$
 (10)

and

$$\alpha_1 \leq \int_i^{i+1} v(x,t) dx \leq \alpha_2, \quad \text{for } t \geq 0, \, i \in \mathbb{N}, \tag{11}$$

where $0 < \alpha_1 < 1$ and $1 < \alpha_2$ are two positive roots of the algebraic equation $A(y) = E_0$.

Lemma (Key lemma: pointwise bounds on v)

There are two positive constants \underline{v} and \overline{v} such that

 $\underline{v} \leq v(x,t) \leq \overline{v}$, for $t \in [0,T]$.

Sketch of the proof of the key lemma

With the help of

$$(\ln v)_{xt} = \left[\frac{(r^{n-1}u)_x}{v}\right]_x,$$

Then the momentum equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{\beta}r^{1-n}u_t = -\frac{1}{\beta}p_x + [\ln v]_{xt} + \frac{1}{\beta}\frac{\Phi_x}{v}.$$

$$\frac{1}{v(x,t)} \exp\left\{\frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^t p(v)(x,s) ds\right\} = \frac{1}{v(a_i(t),t)} Y_i(t) B_i(x,t), \ t \in [0,T]$$

where

$$B_{i}(x,t):=\frac{v(a_{i}(t),0)}{v(x,0)}\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\beta}\int_{a_{i}(t)}^{x}\int_{0}^{t}\left(r^{1-n}u_{t}-\frac{\Phi_{x}}{v}\right)dsdy\right\}\geq0,$$

and

$$Y_i(t) := \exp\left\{\frac{1}{\beta}\int_0^t p(v)(a_i(t),s)ds\right\} \ge 1.$$

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Goal: estimate each term of $B_i(x, t)$.

$$\left|\int_{a_{i}(t)}^{x}\int_{0}^{t}r^{1-n}u_{t}dsdy\right| = \left|\int_{a_{i}(t)}^{x}\int_{0}^{t}\frac{\partial(r^{1-n}u)}{\partial t} + (n-1)r^{-n}r_{t}udsdy\right|$$

$$\leq C(T).$$

Now, we estimate the term $\int_{a_i(t)}^x \int_0^t \frac{\Phi_x}{v} ds dy$. For case n = 1. Notice that Remark 1 implies $\left\|\frac{\Phi_x}{v}\right\| \le E_0$. Hence, by using Cauchy inequality, one has

$$\int_{a_i(t)}^x \int_0^t \frac{\Phi_x}{v} ds dy \leq \int_i^{i+1} \int_0^t \left| \frac{\Phi_x}{v} \right| ds dy \leq \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\Phi_x}{v} \right\| ds \leq C(T).$$

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For case $n \ge 2$. By using the third equation in (5) and the boundary condition (7), we get

$$\frac{\Phi_x}{v} = -r^{2-2n} \int_0^x (v-1)(y,t) dy.$$
 (12)

Let

$$w(x,t):=\int_0^x (v-1)(y,t)dy.$$

Since w is equivalent to

$$w = \int_0^1 (v-1) dy + \int_1^2 (v-1) dy + \dots + \int_{[x]}^x (v-1) dy,$$

which implies

$$\alpha_1[x] - x \le w \le \alpha_2([x] + 1) - x,$$

by (11). Hence

$$|w| \leq C_1(x+1).$$

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$$v = \left(\frac{r^n}{n}\right)_x \Rightarrow \frac{r^n(x,t)}{n} - \frac{a^n}{n} = w + x,$$

which gives us another expression for r

$$r = (n(w + x) + a^n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \ge C_2(x + 1)^{\frac{1}{n}}.$$

Therefore, for $n \ge 2$, one has

$$|r^{2-2n}w| \leq C_1 C_2^{2-2n}(x+1)^{\frac{2}{n}-1}.$$

Combining the above with (12) to obtain

$$\left| \int_{a_i(t)}^x \int_0^t \frac{\Phi_x}{v} ds dy \right| = \left| \int_{a_i(t)}^x \int_0^t r^{2-2n} w ds dy \right|$$
$$\leq \left| \int_i^{i+1} \int_0^t C_1 C_2^{2-2n} (1+x)^{\frac{2}{n}-1} ds dy \right|$$
$$\leq C(T).$$

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Lemma 4 (Sobolev-norm estimates of derivatives for u, v)

$$\int_0^t \int_0^{+\infty} \left(v_t^2 + (r^{n-1}u)_x^2 + r^{2n-2}u_x^2 \right) dx ds \le C(T),$$

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} r^{2n-2} v_{x}^{2} dx + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} r^{2n-2} v_{x}^{2} dx ds \leq C(T).$$

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} [v_t^2 + (r^{n-1}u)_x^2 + r^{2n-2}u_x^2] dx + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} u_t^2 dx ds \le C(T),$$
$$\|u\|_{L^{\infty}([0,+\infty))} \le C(T).$$

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Lemma 5(high derivatives of u, v)

$$\int_0^t \int_0^{+\infty} \left(r^{4n-4} u_{xx}^2 + r^{2n-2} v_{xt}^2 \right) dx ds \le C(T).$$

$$\|r^{n-1}\Phi_x\|_{L^{\infty}([0,+\infty))} + \int_0^{+\infty} \left\{ \left(\frac{r^{n-1}\Phi_x}{v}\right)_t^2 + r^{4n-4}\Phi_{xx}^2 + r^{2n-2}\Phi_{xt}^2 \right\} dx \le C(T).$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \rho |u_t|^2 d\mathbf{y} + \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} \left(\mu |\nabla u_t|^2 + (\mu + \lambda) |\mathsf{div} u_t|^2 \right) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{s} \leq C(T),$$

or equivalently,

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} u_t^2 dx + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(v_{tt}^2 + (r^{n-1}u)_{xt}^2 + r^{2n-2}u_{xt}^2 \right) dx ds \le C(T).$$

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Lemma 6 (high derivatives of u, v)

$$\begin{split} & \int_{0}^{+\infty} \Big(r^{2n-2} (r^{n-1}u)_{xx}^{2} + r^{4n-4}u_{xx}^{2} + r^{2n-2}v_{xt}^{2} \Big) dx \leq C(T). \\ & \int_{0}^{+\infty} \Big(r^{4n-4}v_{xx}^{2} + r^{6n-6}\Phi_{xxx}^{2} \Big) dx + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{+\infty} r^{4n-4}v_{xx}^{2} dx ds \leq C(T). \\ & \int_{\Omega} \Big(|u_{tt}|^{2} + \rho_{tt}^{2} \Big) dy + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} \Big(|\nabla u_{tt}|^{2} + |\operatorname{div} u_{tt}|^{2} \Big) dy ds \leq C(T). \end{split}$$

or equivalently,

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \left(v_{tt}^{2} + u_{tt}^{2} + r^{2n-2}u_{xt}^{2} \right) dx \le C(T).$$
$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} r^{6n-6}u_{xxx}^{2} dx \le C(T).$$

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The total estimates

$$\begin{split} &\int_{0}^{+\infty} \Big\{ u^{2} + (v-1)^{2} + r^{2n-2} \Phi_{x}^{2} + u_{t}^{2} + v_{t}^{2} + r^{2n-2} u_{x}^{2} + r^{2n-2} v_{x}^{2} \\ &+ r^{2n-2} u_{xt}^{2} + r^{2n-2} v_{xt}^{2} + r^{4n-4} u_{xx}^{2} + r^{4n-4} v_{xx}^{2} \\ &+ r^{6n-6} u_{xxx}^{2} + r^{4n-4} \Phi_{xx}^{2} + r^{6n-6} \Phi_{xxx}^{2} \Big\} dx \leq C(T). \end{split}$$

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Global existence and exponential stability of the NSP system on exterior domains

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Main theorem

Theorem (L-Luo-Zhong)

Let Ω be an exterior domain in \mathbb{R}^3 with compact smooth boundary. Assume that $\rho_0 - 1$, $u_0 \in H^3(\Omega)$ and

$$\int_{\Omega} (\rho_0 - 1) dx = 0. \tag{13}$$

For $\alpha > 0$, there exists a constant $\delta > 0$ such that if

$$\|(\rho_0 - 1, u_0)\|_3 \le \delta,$$

then there exists a unique smooth global-in-time solution (ρ , u, $\nabla \Phi$) to IBV problem (1)- (3). Moreover, there are positive constants C and σ such that

$$\Big\{\Big\|(\rho-1, u, \nabla\Phi)\Big\|_3^2 + \|\rho_t\|_2^2 + \|u_t\|_1^2\Big\}(t) \le Ce^{-\sigma t}\Big\{\Big\|(\rho-1, u, \nabla\Phi)\Big\|_3^2 + \|\rho_t\|_2^2 + \|u_t\|_1^2\Big\}(0).$$

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The linearized problem

Let
$$q = \rho - 1$$
, then we have

$$\begin{cases}
L^{0} \equiv q_{t} + \operatorname{div} u + u \cdot \nabla q = -q \operatorname{div} u \equiv f^{0}, \\
L \equiv u_{t} + \gamma \nabla q - \nabla \Phi - \mu \Delta u - (\mu + \lambda) \nabla (\operatorname{div} u) + \alpha u = f, \quad (14) \\
\Delta \Phi = q,
\end{cases}$$

where the nonlinear term is

$$f = \mu \frac{q}{q+1} \Delta u + (\mu + \lambda) \frac{q}{q+1} \nabla (\operatorname{div} u) - \gamma (\rho^{\gamma-1} - 1) \nabla q - u \cdot \nabla u.$$

(14) is enclosed with the initial data

$$(q, u)(\cdot, 0) = (q_0, u_0),$$
 (15)

and the boundary condition

$$u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \quad \nabla \Phi \cdot \nu|_{\partial\Omega} = 0. \tag{16}$$

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For clarity, we introduce

$$\mathcal{E}(t) = \|(q, u, \nabla \Phi)\|_3 + \|q_t\|_2 + \|u_t\|_1,$$

and

$$\mathcal{D}(t) = \|\boldsymbol{q}\|_{3} + \|\nabla\Phi\|_{4} + \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{4} + \|\boldsymbol{q}_{t}\|_{2} + \|\boldsymbol{u}_{t}\|_{2}.$$

Proposition (a priori estimates)

Let (q, u, Φ) be a solution of the initial boundary value problem (14)-(16) in time interval $t \in [0, T]$. Then there exists positive constants δ and σ which are independent of t, such that if

$$\sup_{0 \le t \le T} \mathcal{E}(t) \le \delta,$$

then there holds, for any $t \in [0, T]$,

 $\mathcal{E}(t) \leq C\mathcal{E}(0)e^{-\sigma t}.$

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$$divu = -\frac{dq}{dt} - qdivu \equiv -\frac{dq}{dt} + f^{0}$$
$$-\mu\Delta u + (\gamma\nabla q - \nabla\Phi) = -u_{t} + (\mu + \lambda)\nabla(divu) - \alpha u + f, \quad (17)$$
$$u|_{\partial\Omega} = u|_{\infty} = 0.$$

Lemma 1

Let Ω be any exterior domain. Then for k = 2, 3, 4

$$\|\nabla^{k} u\|^{2} + \|\nabla^{k-1} (\gamma q - \Phi)\|^{2} \leq C \Big\{ \left\| \frac{dq}{dt} \right\|_{k-1}^{2} + \|f^{0}\|_{k-1}^{2} + \|u_{t}\|_{k-2}^{2} + \|u\|_{k-2}^{2} + \|f\|_{k-2}^{2} + \|\nabla u\|^{2} \Big\},$$

where the last term on the right-hand side is necessary in the case of exterior domain.

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Firstly, notice that differentiation of the system (14) with respect to *t* will keep the boundary conditions (16). Compute the integral

$$\int_{\Omega} \left\{ \partial_t^l (L^0 - f^0) \gamma \partial_t^l q + \partial_t^l (L - f) \cdot \partial_t^l u \right\} dx = 0, \quad l = 0, 1,$$

we obtain

Lemma 2 (estimates of $(q, u, \nabla \Phi)$ and $(q_t, u_t, \nabla \Phi_t)$)

Under the conditions in Proposition, then for l = 0, 1, there exists a constant C > 0 independent of *t* such that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}\int_{\Omega}\left\{\gamma|\partial_{t}^{t}q|^{2}+|\partial_{t}^{t}u|^{2}+|\partial_{t}^{t}\nabla\Phi|^{2}\right\}dx+C\int_{\Omega}\left\{|\partial_{t}^{t}\nabla u|^{2}+\left|\partial_{t}^{t}\frac{dq}{dt}\right|^{2}+|\partial_{t}^{t}u|^{2}\right\}dx\\ &\leq C\delta\mathcal{D}^{2}(t). \end{split}$$

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Lemma 3

Assume that the conditions in Proposition hold, then there exists a constant C > 0 independent of *t* such that for k = 0, 1,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left(\mu |\partial_{t}^{k} \nabla u|^{2} + (\mu + \lambda) |\partial_{t}^{k} \operatorname{div} u|^{2} + \alpha |\partial_{t}^{k} u|^{2} \right) dx - \int_{\Omega} \gamma \partial_{t}^{k} q \partial_{t}^{k} \operatorname{div} u dx
- \int_{\Omega} \partial_{t}^{k} (\nabla \Phi) \cdot \partial_{t}^{k} u dx \right\} + C \int_{\Omega} \left(\gamma |\partial_{t}^{k} q_{t}|^{2} + |\partial_{t}^{k} u_{t}|^{2} \right) dx \qquad (18)
\leq C \int_{\Omega} \left(|\partial_{t}^{k} \nabla u|^{2} + |\partial_{t}^{k} u|^{2} \right) dx + C \delta \mathcal{D}^{2}(t).$$

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Lemma 4

Under the conditions in Proposition, then it holds that

$$\gamma ||q||^{2} + ||\nabla \Phi||^{2} + ||\nabla q||^{2} \le C \Big(||u||^{2} + ||u_{t}||^{2} + ||\Delta u||^{2} + ||\nabla \operatorname{div} u||^{2} \Big) + C \delta \mathcal{D}^{2}(t).$$

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We shall separate the estimates into that away from the boundary and that near the boundary. Let $\chi_0(x)$ be any fixed $C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ cut-off function such that $support_{\chi_0} \subset \Omega$ and $\chi_0 \equiv 1$ outside of a bounded region $O \subset \Omega$.

Lemma 5 (the estimates on the region away from the boundary)

Assume that the conditions in Proposition hold, for k = 1, 2, 3, it has

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{\gamma}{2} \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} |\nabla^{k} q|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} |\nabla^{k} u|^{2} dx + \frac{1}{2\gamma} \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} |\nabla^{k} \Phi|^{2} dx - \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} \nabla^{k} q \cdot \nabla^{k} \Phi dx \right\} \\
+ \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \chi_{0}^{2} |\nabla^{k+1} u|^{2} + \chi_{0}^{2} \left| \nabla^{k} \frac{dq}{dt} \right|^{2} + \alpha \chi_{0}^{2} |\nabla^{k} u|^{2} \right\} dx + \frac{1}{8} \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} |\gamma \nabla^{k} q - \nabla^{k} \Phi|^{2} dx \\
\leq C \int_{\Omega} \left\{ |\nabla^{k-1} u|^{2} + |\nabla^{k-1} u_{t}|^{2} + |\nabla^{k} u|^{2} \right\} dx + C \delta \mathcal{D}^{2}(t).$$
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Our next goal is to establish the estimates near the boundary $\partial\Omega$. For this purpose, we choose a finite number of bounded open sets $\{O_j\}_{i=1}^N$ in \mathbb{R}^3 such that



The local geodesic coordinates (ξ, ζ, r) will be set up in each set O_i as follows: (1) The boundary $O_i \cap \Omega$ is the image of smooth functions $z = z^i(\xi, \zeta)$ satisfying

$$|z_{\xi}| = 1, \quad z_{\xi}z_{\zeta} = 0, \quad |z_{\zeta}| \ge \widetilde{\tau} > 0,$$

where $\tilde{\tau}$ is some positive constant independent of $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$. (2) Any *x* in O_j is represented by

$$x^{i} = x^{i}(\xi,\zeta,r) = rn^{i}(\xi,\zeta) + z^{i}(\xi,\zeta), \qquad (20)$$

where $n^i(\xi, \zeta)$ is the external unit normal vector at the point of the boundary coordinate (ξ, ζ) .

Lemma 6 (the tangential derivatives $\partial = (\partial_{\xi}, \partial_{\zeta})$)

For any positive ε and k = 1, 2, 3, it holds that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{d}{dt} \Big\{ \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\chi_j \partial^k q\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\chi_j \partial^k u\|^2 + \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|\chi_j \partial^k \Phi\|^2 - \int_{\Omega} \chi_j^2 \partial^k q \cdot \partial^k \Phi dx \Big\} \\ &+ C \Big\{ \|\chi_j \nabla \partial^k u\|^2 + \|\chi_j \partial^k \frac{dq}{dt}\|^2 + \alpha \|\chi_j \partial^k u\|^2 \Big\} \\ &\leq C \Big\{ \varepsilon \|\gamma \nabla q - \nabla \Phi\|_{k-1}^2 + (1 + \varepsilon^{-1}) \|\nabla u\|_{k-1}^2 + \delta \mathcal{D}^2(t) \Big\}. \end{split}$$

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Lemma 7(the mixed derivatives)

Under the conditions in Proposition, then for k + l = 0, 1, 2, there exists a constant C > 0 independent of *t* such that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{d}{dt} \Big\{ \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} q_{r} \|^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \|\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} \Phi_{r} \|^{2} - \int_{\Omega} \chi_{j}^{2} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} q_{r} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} \Phi_{r} dx \Big\} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \|\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} (\gamma q_{r} - \Phi_{r}) \|^{2} + \frac{2\mu + \lambda}{2} \left\|\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} \left(\frac{dq}{dt}\right)_{r} \right\|^{2} \\ &\leq C \Big\{ \|\partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} u_{t} \|^{2} + \|\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} \nabla \partial u \|^{2} + \|\partial^{k} \partial_{r}^{l} u \|^{2} + \delta \mathcal{D}^{2}(t) \Big\}. \end{split}$$

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Taking $\chi_j \partial^k (k = 1, 2)$ to Stokes equation (17), we have

$$div(\chi_{j}\partial^{k}u) = \chi_{j}\partial^{k}f^{0} - \chi_{j}\partial^{k}\left(\frac{dq}{dt}\right) + \nabla\chi_{j} \cdot \partial^{k}u,$$

$$-\mu\Delta(\chi_{j}\partial^{k}u) + \nabla\left(\chi_{j}\partial^{k}(\gamma q - \Phi)\right) = -\chi_{j}\partial^{k}u_{t} - \alpha\chi_{j}\partial^{k}u + (\gamma\partial^{k}q - \partial^{k}\Phi)\nabla\chi_{j}$$

$$-\mu\Delta\chi_{j}\partial^{k}u - 2\mu\nabla\chi_{j}\partial^{k}\nabla u + \chi_{j}\partial^{k}f - (\mu + \lambda)\chi_{j}\partial^{k}\left(\nabla\frac{dq}{dt}\right) + (\mu + \lambda)\chi_{j}\partial^{k}\nabla f^{0}$$
(21)

 $\chi_j \partial^k u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$

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Lemma 8

For l = 0, 1, 2, it holds

$$\|\nabla^{2+l}u\|^{2} + \|\nabla^{1+l}(\gamma q - \Phi)\|^{2} \le C \Big\{ \left\| \frac{dq}{dt} \right\|_{1+l}^{2} + \|f^{0}\|_{1+l}^{2} + \|u_{t}\|_{l}^{2} + \alpha \|u\|_{l}^{2} + \|f\|_{l}^{2} + \|\nabla u\|^{2} \Big\}.$$

And for k = 1, 2, l + k = 1, 2, it holds

 $||\chi_j \nabla^{2+l} \partial^k u||^2 + ||\chi_j \nabla^{1+l} \partial^k (\gamma q - \Phi)||^2$

$$\leq C \Big\{ \left\| \chi_{j} \partial^{k} \frac{dq}{dt} \right\|_{1+l}^{2} + \|f^{0}\|_{1+l+k}^{2} + \|u_{t}\|_{l+k}^{2} + \|u\|_{l+k}^{2} + \|f\|_{l+k}^{2} + \|\gamma \nabla q - \nabla \Phi\|_{l+k-1}^{2} + \|\nabla u\|_{l+k}^{2} \Big\}$$

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Outlines of the proof of main theorem

Step 1. Combining the above lemmas, we arrive at

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \Big\{ \sum_{l=0}^{1} \Big(\gamma ||\partial_{t}^{l} q||^{2} + ||\partial_{t}^{l} u||^{2} + ||\nabla\partial_{t}^{l} \Phi||^{2} \Big) \\ &+ \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{l=0}^{1} \Big(\mu ||\partial_{t}^{l} \nabla u||^{2} + (\mu + \lambda) ||\partial_{t}^{l} \mathrm{div} u||^{2} + \alpha ||\partial_{t}^{l} u||^{2} - \int_{\Omega} \gamma \partial_{t}^{l} q \partial_{t}^{l} \mathrm{div} u dx - \int_{\Omega} \partial_{t}^{l} (\nabla \Phi) \cdot \partial_{t}^{l} u dx \Big) \\ &+ \frac{\eta^{2}}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{3} \Big(\gamma ||\chi_{0} \nabla^{k} q||^{2} dx + \frac{1}{\gamma} ||\chi_{0} \nabla^{k} \Phi||^{2} + ||\chi_{0} \nabla^{k} u||^{2} - 2 \int_{\Omega} \chi_{0}^{2} \nabla^{k} q \cdot \nabla^{k} \Phi dx \Big) \\ &+ \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{3} \Big(\gamma ||\chi_{j} \partial^{k} q||^{2} + ||\chi_{j} \partial^{k} u||^{2} + \frac{1}{\gamma} ||\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \Phi||^{2} - 2 \int_{\Omega} \chi_{j}^{2} \partial^{k} q \cdot \partial^{k} \Phi dx \Big) \\ &+ \frac{\eta^{2}}{2} \sum_{k+l=0}^{2} \Big(\gamma ||\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{t}^{l} q_{t}||^{2} + \frac{1}{\gamma} ||\chi_{j} \partial^{k} \partial_{t}^{l} \Phi_{t}||^{2} - 2 \int_{\Omega} \chi_{j}^{2} \partial^{k} \partial_{t}^{l} q_{t} \partial^{k} \partial_{t}^{l} \Phi_{t} dx \Big) \Big\} \\ &+ C \Big\{ ||u||_{1}^{2} + ||u_{t}||_{1}^{2} + \left\| \frac{dq}{dt} \right\|_{3}^{2} + ||q_{tt}||^{2} + ||u_{tt}||^{2} \Big\} \\ &\leq C \delta \mathcal{D}^{2}(t). \end{split}$$

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Step 2. Denote the left-hand side on the above inequality as $\frac{d}{dt}\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}^2(t) + C\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t)$, that is

$$\frac{d}{dt}\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}^{2}(t) + C\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^{2}(t) \le C\delta\mathcal{D}^{2}(t).$$
(22)

Hölder's inequality and Lemma 1 yields

$$C^{-1}\mathcal{E}^2(t) \le \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}^2(t) \le C\mathcal{E}^2(t).$$
(23)

We need to show that $\mathcal{D}^2(t) \leq C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t)$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}^2(t) &\equiv \||q\|_3^2 + \|\nabla\Phi\|_4^2 + \|u\|_4^2 + \|q_t\|_2^2 + \|u_t\|_2^2, \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) &\equiv \|u\|_1^2 + \|u_t\|_1^2 + \left\|\frac{dq}{dt}\right\|_3^2 + \|q_{tt}\|^2 + \|u_{tt}\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Noting that $||u||_4^2$ and $||u_t||_2^2$ are bounded by $C\widetilde{D}^2(t) + C\delta D^2(t)$ due to Lemma 1 and Lemma 8.

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Estimate the term $||q||_3$

Lemma 4 means that

$$\|\boldsymbol{q}\|^2 + \|\nabla \boldsymbol{q}\|^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2 \leq C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) + C \delta \mathcal{D}^2(t).$$

Noting Lemma 8 with l = 1 tells

$$\| \gamma \nabla^2 q - \nabla^2 \Phi \|^2 \leq C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) + C \delta \mathcal{D}^2(t),$$

which together with the elliptic estimate: $\|\nabla^2 \Phi\|^2 \le C(\|q\|^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2)$ yields

$$\begin{split} \|\nabla^2 q\|^2 &\leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\gamma \nabla^2 q - \nabla^2 \Phi\|^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \|\nabla^2 \Phi\|^2 \\ &\leq C \Big(\|\gamma \nabla^2 q - \nabla^2 \Phi\|^2 + \|q\|^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2 \Big) \\ &\leq C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) + C \delta \mathcal{D}^2(t). \end{split}$$

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Similarly, by using :
$$\|\nabla^3 \Phi\| \le C \Big(\|q\|_1^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2 \Big)$$
, it holds
 $\|\nabla^3 q\|^2 \le C \Big(\|\gamma \nabla^3 q - \nabla^3 \Phi\|^2 + \|q\|_1^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2 \Big)$
 $\le C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) + C \delta \mathcal{D}^2(t).$

Furthermore, the elliptic estimates implies $\|\nabla^4 \Phi\|^2 \le \|q\|_2^2 + \|\nabla \Phi\|^2$, so it arrives at

$$\mathcal{D}^2(t) \leq C\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t) + C\delta \mathcal{D}^2(t),$$

which implies

$$\mathcal{D}^2(t) \le C \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}^2(t). \tag{24}$$

Then, putting (24) and (23) into (22), we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}^2(t) + \sigma\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}^2(t) \le 0,$$

where $\sigma > 0$ is a constant independent of *t*, which gives

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}(t) \leq e^{-\sigma t} \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}(0).$$

Then

$$\mathcal{E}(t) \leq C e^{-\sigma t} \mathcal{E}(0).$$

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Thank you very much for your attention!

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