

The goal of these few lectures will be

(1) to introduce the general case of

Hydrodynamic Stability

(2) State some precise theorems, including Bebernes-Ho-Fefferman

(3) Focus on concrete energy methods introduced

by linear / inviscid dynamics in simpler settings

## Lecture 1 - Overview of Three Physical Phenomena

Goal: Two asymptotic problems classical in fluid dynamics

(1)  $t \rightarrow \infty$ : large time asymptotic stability of non-stationary solutions. Mechanisms:

Inviscid Damping

Enhanced Dissipation

(2)  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ : In the presence of boundary layers, the

## Inviscid Limit

becomes challenging on any time scale due to boundary layers.

NS:

$$\partial_t \vec{u} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} + \nabla p = \nu \Delta \vec{u}$$

$$\operatorname{div}(\vec{u}) = 0$$

$$\vec{u}|_{t=0} = \vec{u}_w(x, y)$$

(BC's TBD)

Velocity,  $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u(x, y) \\ v(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$

Vorticity  $\omega = \partial_y u - \partial_x v$

$\mathbb{T}^2 \times [0, 1]$  or  $\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{R}$

"Channel"

NS in Vorticity Formulation:

$$\partial_t \omega + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \omega = \nu \Delta \omega$$

$$\omega|_{t=0} = \omega_w(x, y)$$

$$\vec{u} = \nabla^\perp f$$

$$\Delta f = \omega \quad (\text{Biot-Savart})$$

BC's TBD

• Observe that  $\vec{u}(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} b(y) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , shear flows, or stationary solutions to 2D Euler for any function  $b(y)$ .

• The specific choice  $b(y) = y$  is called the Couette flow, which also solves NS.

• The aim is to study small perturbations of Couette,

$$\omega_{\text{Total}} = \underbrace{1}_{\text{Couette}} + \varepsilon \underbrace{\omega}_{\text{perturbation}}$$

$$\partial_t \omega + y \partial_x \omega - \nu \Delta \omega = -u \cdot \nabla \omega$$

$$\omega|_{t=0} = \omega_{in}(y)$$

$$u = \nabla^\perp \Delta^{-1} \omega \quad (\text{Biot-Savart})$$

BC's:

$$\nabla^\perp \cdot [-1, 1].$$

Asymptotes as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\underbrace{\partial_t \omega + \gamma \partial_x \omega}_{\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)} - \underbrace{\nu \Delta \omega}_{\mathcal{O}(\nu \varepsilon)} = - \underbrace{\nu \Gamma(\omega)}_{\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)}$$

$$\|\omega_m\|_X \leq \varepsilon$$

(1) Uniform in  $\nu$ : We can look for asymptotic stability for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$ , but independent of  $\nu$ .

The relaxation mechanism has to have been inverted.

(2) Threshold Theorem: We can assume  $\varepsilon = \mathcal{O}(\nu^p)$  for some power  $p$ . (Higher  $p \Rightarrow$  easier than).

Remark: There is noise in both, as the space  $X$  may be different.

Then the state is uniform, but it relaxes on threshold as a substep ( $t \gg \nu^{-1/3-\varepsilon}$ ).

Boundary      Conditions      and       $\omega \rightarrow 0$ :

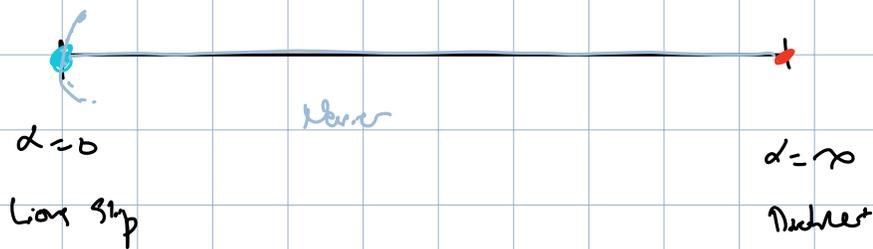
Navier BCs:  $\omega|_{y=\pm 1} = 0$ ,  $\psi|_{y=\pm 1} = 0$

Creates weak BCs, in our case no BC.

Dirichlet BCs:  $u|_{y=\pm 1} = 0$ ,  $f|_{y=\pm 1} = 0$   
(no slip)

Creates strong boundary layers, too difficult for us.

Power:  $(\omega + du)|_{y=\pm 1} = 0$



Linear    Inverse    Damping

$$\begin{array}{l} \cdot \quad \partial_t w + y \partial_x w = 0 \\ \quad \Delta f = w \end{array} \quad \Bigg| \quad \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$$

• Method of Characteristics:

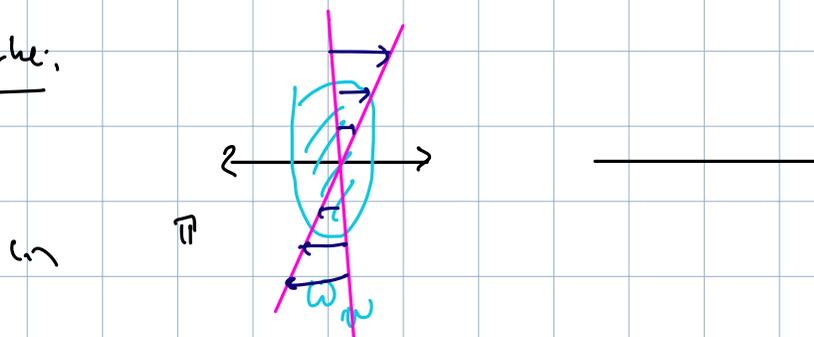
$$z = x - ty, \quad w(t, x, y) = f(t, z, y) = f(t, x - ty, y)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \partial_t w = f_t - y f_z \\ y \partial_x w = y \partial_z f \end{array} \quad \Bigg| \quad \partial_t f(t, z, y) = 0$$

$$\cdot \quad w(t, x, y) = f(t, z, y) = f_{1,w}(z, y) = w_w(x - ty, y)$$

$$\hookrightarrow w(t, x, y) = w_w(x - ty, y)$$

Anmerkung:



Physical Interpretation is "Sherry" by  
the Balgund flow

(1)  $\omega$  itself does not decay in amplitude!  
 $\omega$  is transported.

(2) However, we will see that  $\omega$  exhibits  
weak convergence.

$$\hat{\omega}(t, k, n) =$$



Fourier variable  
of  $x \in \mathbb{T}$ , so  
 $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Fourier variable  
of  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , so  
 $n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\partial_t \hat{\omega}(t, k, n) - k \partial_n \hat{\omega}(t, k, n) = 0$$

(Transport in  
freq. space)

$$\hat{\omega}(t, k, n) = \hat{\omega}_{|n}(k, n + kt)$$

Remark:

(4) Physical interpretation is linear in time  
transfer of energy to higher frequencies

The explicit weak convergence: coefficients will go to 0.

$$z = x - iy, \quad f(z, \bar{z}) = \omega(x, y), \quad \bar{f}(z, \bar{z}) = \bar{f}(x, y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t f &= 0 \\ \left[ \partial_z^2 + (\partial_{\bar{z}} - t \partial_z)^2 \right] \phi &= f \end{aligned} \quad |$$

$$\hat{\phi}(z, k, n) = \frac{\hat{\omega}_n(k, n)}{k^2 + (n - kt)^2}$$

$\frac{1}{t^2}$  decay

Prop'n: (Linear Invert. Pumping):

$$\| P_{T_0} \phi \|_{L^2} \leq \frac{1}{\langle t \rangle^2} \| \omega_n \|_{H^2}$$

$$\| P_{T_0} u \|_{L^2} \leq \frac{1}{\langle t \rangle} \| \omega_n \|_{H^3}$$

$$\| P_{T_0} v \|_{L^2} \leq \frac{1}{\langle t \rangle^2} \| \omega_n \|_{H^4}$$

PP:

$$\| \phi \|_{L^2} \leq \left\| \frac{\omega_n}{k^2 + (n - kt)^2} \right\|_{L^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{h^2 + (n-h)^2} \leq \frac{\langle n \rangle^2}{(h+1)^2}$$

$$\text{if } |n| < \frac{1}{2}|h+1| \quad \text{or} \quad |n| > 2|h+1|$$

$$\text{then } (n-h)^2 \geq C|h+1|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{h^2 + (n-h)^2} \lesssim \frac{1}{(h+1)^2}$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{2}|h+1| < |n| < 2|h+1|, \quad \text{then}$$

$$\frac{1}{h^2 + (n-h)^2} \leq \frac{1}{h^2} = \frac{|n|^2}{|n|^2 h^2} \leq \frac{\langle n \rangle^2}{(h+1)^2}$$

□

Remarks:

- (1) Elliptic Regularity usually gives smooth  $f_n$  if two derivatives smaller than regularity. However, here we lose two derivatives to get decay  $\frac{1}{(h+1)^2}$ .

"Decay with Regularity"

(2)  $u = \partial_y f$  has non-integral decay  $\frac{1}{|z|}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_y f &= \partial_y \phi(t, x - ty, y) \\ &= (\partial_y - \underline{t} \partial_x) \phi\end{aligned}$$

Each  $\partial_y$  decreases order  $\langle t \rangle$ .

(3) Commuting vector field:

$$\partial_t \omega + y \partial_x \omega = 0$$

$\partial_y$  is not a commuting vector field.

$\Pi = \partial_y - t \partial_x$  is a commuting vector field.

(4) The role of  $P_{\neq 0}$ : For  $P_{=0}$ , no shearing effect ( $k=0$ ).

Linear      Enhanced      Dissipation

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \quad & \partial_t w + y \partial_x w - \nu \Delta w = 0 \quad | \quad \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R} \\ & \Delta w = w \end{aligned}$$

• Heat Eqn Time scales:

$$\partial_t w - \nu \partial_y^2 w = 0 \quad | \quad y \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{or} \quad y \in \mathbb{T}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \|w\|^2 \leq -\nu \|\nabla w\|^2 \leq -c \|w\|^2$$

↑ Poincaré type inequality

$$\hookrightarrow \|w\|^2 \leq e^{-\nu t} \|w_{i=0}\|^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Half-life is } \boxed{t = \frac{1}{\nu}}$$

• Oscillation  $\rightarrow$  Decay:

$$(\partial_t - \partial_y^2) w_l = 0$$

$$w_l \Big|_{t=0} = \sin(x)$$

$$(\partial_t - \partial_y^2) w_r = 0$$

$$w_r \Big|_{t=0} = \sin(10x)$$

$$\omega_1(x) = e^{-k \sin(x)}$$

$$\omega_{100}(x) = e^{-100k \sin(100x)}$$

(From energy standpoint high power modes  $\Rightarrow$  better power line)

Idea of Entangled Resonance:

$$(\partial_t + v \partial_x - \nu \Delta) \omega = 0$$

Sends info. to higher freqs
   
 Response to higher oscillation by incoherent decay.

We follow Kohn (1987)

$$\partial_t f = \nu \partial_x^2 f + \nu (\partial_y - t \partial_z)^2 f$$

$$\partial_t \hat{f} + \nu (k^2 + (n - tk)^2) \hat{f} = 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$

Integrating factor

$$\hat{f}(t, k, n) = \hat{\omega}_{in}(k, n) \exp\left(-\nu \int_0^t (|k|^2 + |n - ks|^2) ds\right)$$



$$\| \hat{f}(h_n) \|_{L_n^2} \leq e^{-cvt^3}$$