

# Initial profile for the slow decay of the Navier-Stokes flow in the half-space

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# Navier-Stokes equations in $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ ( $x_n > 0$ )

Let  $n \geq 2$ .

$$(N-S) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u + u \cdot \nabla u + \nabla p = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^n \times (0, \infty) \\ \operatorname{div} u = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^n \times (0, \infty) \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\mathbb{R}_+^n \times (0, \infty) \\ u(0) = a & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^n, \end{cases}$$

$u(x, t) = (u^1(x, t), \dots, u^n(x, t))$ : unknown velocity vector

$p(x, t)$ : unknown pressure

$a(x) = (a^1(x), \dots, a^n(x))$ : given initial data

$$u \cdot \nabla := \sum_{j=1}^n u^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = u^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \dots + u^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}$$

# Leray's problem: energy decay (1934)

$$\|u(t)\|_{L^2} := \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u(x, t)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \rightarrow 0? \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

- Masuda first proved this problem  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|u(t)\|_{L^2} = 0$  (1984), provided

$$(SE) \quad \|u(t)\|_{L^2}^2 + 2 \int_s^t \|\nabla u(\tau)\|_{L^2}^2 d\tau \leq \|u(s)\|_{L^2}^2$$

for a.e.  $s > 0$ ,  $s = 0$ , for all  $t \geq s \geq 0$ .

- Fujigaki - Miyakawa (2001, 2002) showed decay rate  $\|u(t)\|_{L^2} = O(t^{-\frac{n+2}{4}})$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}_+^n$ .

# Aim of this talk

Behavior of nonlinear Duhamel term

Kajikiya-Miyakawa '86  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ; Borchers-Miyakawa '88  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$

If  $a \in L^2_\sigma(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap L^r(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $r \approx 1$ , then

$$\|u(t) - e^{-tA}a\|_2 = O(t^{-\frac{n+2}{4}}), \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

## Aim

Find initial profile for  $a$  so that

$$\|u(t)\|_2 \geq Ct^{-\alpha}, \quad \frac{n}{4} \leq \alpha < \frac{n+2}{4}$$

The linear stokes flow  $e^{-tA}a$  is dominant.

# Known results; lower bound ( $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

Schonbek, 1986

$$\|u(t)\|_{L(\mathbb{R}^3)} \geq Ct^{-\frac{3}{4}}, \quad \text{if } a \in L^r(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \text{ with } |\hat{a}(\xi)| \geq C \text{ near } \xi = 0$$

Miyakawa–Schonbek, 2001

$$\|u(t)\|_{L(\mathbb{R}^n)} \geq Ct^{-\frac{n}{4}}, \quad \text{if } \liminf_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{S^{n-1}} |\hat{a}(r, \omega)|^2 d\omega > 0$$

O., 2009, 2010

$$\|u(t)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \geq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}}, \quad \frac{n}{4} \leq \frac{n+2\gamma}{4} < \frac{n+2}{4}$$

if  $a \in L^r(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $|\hat{a}(\xi)| \geq C|\xi_n|^\gamma$  near  $\xi = 0$

# Half-space $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ : By Ukai's solution formula

- (A1)  $a(x) = (a^1(x), \dots, a^{n-1}(x), 0)$   $x = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n)$
- (A2)  $a'(x) = (a^1(x), \dots, a^{n-1}(x)) = a''(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})\eta(x_n)$
- (A3)  $\eta(-x_n) = -\eta(x_n)$  with  $|\hat{\eta}(\xi_n)| \geq C > 0$  near  $\xi_n = 0$
- (A4)  $|\hat{a}''(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n-1})| \geq C|\xi_{n-1}|^\gamma$  near  $(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n-1}) = 0$ ,  $\gamma > 0$

## Prop. (the Stokes flow in $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ )

Let  $n \geq 3$ . If  $a \in L_\sigma^2$  satisfies from (A1) to (A4), then

$$\|e^{-tA}a\|_2 \geq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}}, \quad t \geq 1.$$

## Problem

- $n = 2?$  (since  $(a^1, a^2) = (0, 0)$ )
- Profile of perturbations to  $n$ -th component?

# Main result

(P1)  $a^n(x) = \tilde{a}^n(x')\varphi(x_n)$  with  $|\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}(\xi')| \leq C|\xi'|^\beta$  near a.e.  $\xi' = 0$ , and  $\varphi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^1(\mathbb{R})$  odd function such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 + |x_n|) |\partial_n \varphi(x_n)| dx_n < \infty.$$

(P2)  $1 \leq \exists i_0 \leq n - 1$  s.t.  $a^{i_0}(x) = \tilde{a}^{i_0}(x')\eta(x_n)$  with  $|\widehat{\tilde{a}^{i_0}}(\xi')| \geq C|\xi_{n-1}|^\gamma$  and  $|\widehat{\eta}(\xi_n)| \geq C$  near a.e.  $\xi = 0$ .

## Theorem (Navier-Stokes flow)

Let  $n \geq 2$ . Let  $a \in L_\sigma^2 \cap L^r$  satisfy (P1) and (P2) for

- (i)  $1 < r \leq 2n/(n+2)$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma < 1$ ,
- (ii)  $2n/(n+2) < r < 2n/(n+1)$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma < 2n/r - n - 1$ .

If  $\gamma < \beta$  then,  $\|u(t)\|_2 \geq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}}$ ,  $t \gg 1$ .

## Remark

- (A1), ..., (A4) is essential for the lower bound in our method.

$$a(x', x_n) = (a''(x')\eta(x_n), 0), \quad |\widehat{a}''(\xi')| \geq C|\xi'|^\gamma, \quad |\widehat{\eta}(\xi_n)| > C.$$

- Another perturbation (Fujigaki-Miyakawa profile)

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} (1 + |y_n|)|a(y)|dy < \infty$$

is available for  $n \geq 3$ , but not for  $n = 2$ .

- If  $C_1|\xi_{n-1}|^\gamma \leq |\widehat{a}^{i_0}(\xi')| \leq C_2|\xi'|^\gamma$ ,  $C_1 \leq |\widehat{\eta}(\xi_n)| \leq C_2$  near a.e.  $\xi = 0$ , then

$$C_1 t^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}} \leq \|u(t)\|_2 \leq C_2 t^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}}$$

The proof of our theorem is consist of two part:  
the lower bound part + the perturbation part



Stokes flow  $e^{-tA}a = v(t) = (v'(t), v^n(t))$  in  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$

## Ukai's formula 1987

Let  $v(t) = (v'(t), v^n(t)) = e^{-tA}a$  be the Stokes flow in  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ .

$$v^n(t) = Ue^{-tB}[a^n + S \cdot a'] \quad v'(t) = e^{-tB}[a' - Sa^n] + Sv^n(t).$$

$$U \in \mathbf{B}(L^r),$$

$$S = (S_1, \dots, S_{n-1}): \text{Riesz transform over } \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \quad \sigma(S_j) = \frac{-i\xi_j}{|\xi' |}$$

$$e^{-tB}f = e^{t\Delta}f^*|_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}, \text{ where } f^* : \text{odd extension w.r.t. } x_n$$

$$f^*(x', x_n) = \begin{cases} f(x', x_n) & x_n > 0 \\ -f(x', -x_n) & x_n < 0. \end{cases}$$

$$x', \xi' \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}.$$

## The lower bound part:

- (A1)  $a(x) = (a^1(x), \dots, a^{n-1}(x), 0)$   $x = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n)$
- (A2)  $a'(x) = (a^1(x), \dots, a^{n-1}(x)) = a''(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})\eta(x_n)$
- (A3)  $\eta(-x_n) = -\eta(x_n)$  with  $|\hat{\eta}(\xi_n)| \geq C > 0$  near  $\xi_n = 0$
- (A4)  $|\hat{a}''(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n-1})| \geq C|\xi_{n-1}|^\gamma$  near  $(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n-1}) = 0$

### Lemma (the Stokes flow in $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ )

Let  $n \geq 3$ . If  $a \in L_\sigma^2$  satisfies from (A1) to (A4), then

$$\|v(t)\|_2 \geq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{4}}, \quad t \geq 1.$$

### Remark

Conditions (A1), ..., (A4) can be generalized as (P2) in the main theorem.

# Outline of proof: the lower bound part

$$v^n(t) = Ue^{-tB}[a^n + S \cdot a'] \quad v'(t) = e^{-tB}[a' - Sa^n] + Sv^n(t).$$

$v^n(t) \equiv 0$ . Since  $a^n = 0$  (A1) and  $\operatorname{div} a = 0$ ,

$$\widehat{\operatorname{div} a}(\xi', x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \widehat{\partial_j a^j}(\xi', x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} i\xi_j \widehat{a^j}(\xi', x_n) = 0$$

$$\widehat{S \cdot a'}(\xi', x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{-i\xi_j}{|\xi'|} \widehat{a^j}(\xi', x_n) = 0$$

$$v'(t) = e^{-tB} a' = e^{t\Delta} (a')^* \Big|_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$$

Recall  $a'(x', x_n) = a''(x')\eta(x_n)$  (A2),  $\eta(-x_n) = -\eta(x_n)$  (A3)

$$(a')^* = a''\eta^* = a''\eta$$

$v'(t) = e^{t\Delta}[a''\eta]$  : odd w.r.t  $x_n$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|v(t)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}_+^n)}^2 &= \|v'(t)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}_+^n)}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|v'(t)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-2t|\xi|^2} |\widehat{a}''(\xi') \widehat{\eta}(\xi_n)|^2 d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} e^{-2t|\xi'|^2} |\widehat{a}''(\xi')|^2 d\xi' \right) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2t\xi_n^2} |\widehat{\eta}(\xi_n)|^2 d\xi_n \right) \\ &=: \frac{1}{2} J_1 \cdot J_2 \end{aligned}$$

$J_1$ : Since  $|\widehat{a}''(\xi')| \geq C_1 |\xi_{n-1}|^\gamma$  near  $\xi = 0$  by (A4)

$$J_1 \geq Ct^{-\frac{(n-1)+2\gamma}{2}} \quad t \geq 1.$$

## Estimate of $J_2$

$$|\hat{\eta}(\xi_n)| > C \quad \text{near } \xi_n = 0 \quad (A3).$$

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &\geq \int_{|\xi_n| \leq \delta} e^{-2t\xi_n^2} |\hat{\eta}(\xi_n)|^2 d\xi_n \\ &\geq C^2 \int_{|\xi_n| \leq \delta} e^{-2t\xi_n^2} d\xi_n \\ &= \int_0^{\sqrt{t}\delta} e^{-2\rho^2} \frac{d\rho}{\sqrt{t}} \geq Ct^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

for  $t \geq 1$ .

Therefore

$$\|v(t)\|_2^2 \geq CJ_1 \cdot J_2 \geq Ct^{-\frac{(n-1)+2\gamma}{2}} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} = Ct^{-\frac{n+2\gamma}{2}}, \quad t \geq 1$$

# Key idea: perturbation part

- In previous result, for  $(a^1, \dots, a^{n-1}, 0)$ ,

$$v^n(t) \equiv 0,$$

$$v'(t) = e^{-tB} a'$$

- Regard  $v^n(t)$  as a perturbation, i.e., rapid decay.

However, by Ukai's formula,

$$v^n(t) = Ue^{-tB}[a^n + S \cdot a']$$

$$v'(t) = e^{-tB}[a' - Sa^n] + Sv^n(t).$$

Note that since  $\operatorname{div} a = 0$

$$\widehat{S \cdot a'}(\xi', x_n) = \frac{-\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}(\xi') \partial_n \varphi(x_n)}{|\xi'|}$$

$$v^n(t) = Ue^{-tB}[a^n + S \cdot a'] \quad v'(t) = e^{-tB}[a' - Sa^n] + Sv^n(t).$$

Since  $a^n(x) = \tilde{a}^n(x')\varphi(x_n)$  and  $\varphi \in L^1$ : odd

$$\|e^{-tB}a^n\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} = \frac{1}{2}\|e^{t\Delta}\tilde{a}^n\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \frac{1}{2}\|e^{-t|\xi|^2}\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}\widehat{\varphi}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

Since  $|\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}(\xi')| \leq C|\xi'|^\beta$  near  $\xi' = 0$  and  $\widehat{\varphi}(0) = 0$ ,

$\therefore \|e^{-tB}a^n\| \leq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\beta}{4}}$ . The same way valid for  $e^{-tB}Sa^n$ .

$$\widehat{S \cdot a'} = \frac{\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}\partial_n\varphi}{|\xi'|},$$

$$e^{-tB}\widehat{S \cdot a'}(\xi) = e^{-t|\xi|^2} \frac{\widehat{\tilde{a}^n}(\xi')(\widehat{\partial_n\varphi})^*(\xi_n)}{|\xi'|}$$

Since  $(\widehat{\partial_n\varphi})^*(0) = 0$  and differentiable at  $\xi_n = 0$ , i.e.,

$$|(\widehat{\partial_n\varphi})^*(\xi_n)| \leq C|\xi_n| \text{ near } \xi_n = 0. \quad \|e^{-tB}S \cdot a'\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} \leq Ct^{-\frac{n+2\beta}{4}}.$$