

Some Dimensionless Estimates

In order to use the generalized energy inequality effectively, we must bound the terms on the right

$$\iint (|u|^2 + zp) u \cdot \nabla \phi$$

in terms of those on the left $\int |u|^2 \phi$ and $\iint |\nabla u|^2 \phi$.

Bounds of this type play a fundamental role in the proofs of both propositions 1 and 2.

Let

$$Q_\rho = Q_\rho(0,0) = \{ (x,t) : |x| < \rho, -\rho^2 < t < 0 \},$$

and take a pair of measurable functions u and p defined on Q_ρ . We consider the following quantities for $r < \rho$:

$$A(r) = \sup_{-r^2 < t < 0} r^{-1} \int_{B_r \times \{t\}} |u|^2, \quad (1)$$

$$D(r) = r^{-1} \iint_{Q_r} |\nabla u|^2, \quad (2)$$

$$G(r) = r^{-2} \iint_{Q_r} |u|^3, \quad (3)$$

$$L(r) = r^{-2} \iint_{Q_r} |u| |p - \bar{p}_r|, \quad (4)$$

$$K(r) = r^{-\frac{13}{4}} \int_{-r^2}^0 \left(\int_{B_r} |p| \right)^{5/4} d\tau \quad (5)$$

Here $Q_r = Q_r(0,0)$, $B_r = \{x : |x| < r\}$, and

$$\bar{p}_r = \bar{p}_r(t) = \int_{B_r} p(y,t) dy.$$

Our estimates will be applied to a SWS of the NSEs. However, we shall only use the fact that the above

quantities are finite and

$$\Delta p = - \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} u_i u_j = - \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \partial_i \partial_j u_i u_j$$

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0$$

on $B_\rho \times [t, t+\rho]$ for a.e. t , $-\rho^2 < t < 0$. Our goal is to derive estimates for $G(r)$ and $L(r)$ in terms of A , δ and K . (Note: each of (1)-(5) has been scaled to have dimension zero). (scale-invariant)

Lemma 1

$$G(r) \leq C A^{3/4}(r) \left(A^{3/4}(r) + \delta^{3/4}(r) \right)$$

Proof. We use the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality with $q=3$; $a = \frac{3}{4}(3-2) = \frac{3}{4}$

$$\int_{B_r} |u|^3 \leq C \left(\int_{B_r} |\nabla u|^2 \right)^{3/4} \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^{3/4} + \frac{C}{r^{3/2}} \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^{3/2}$$

Integrating in time and using Hölder inequality,

we obtain

$$\int_{Q_r} |u|^3 \leq C \int_{-r^2}^0 \left(\int_{B_r} |\nabla u|^2 \right)^{3/4} \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^{3/4} dt + \frac{C}{r^{3/2}} \int_{-r^2}^0 \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^{3/2} dt$$

$$\stackrel{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1 \text{ Hölder}}{\leq} C \left(\int_{Q_r} |\nabla u|^2 \right)^{3/4} \left[\int_{-r^2}^0 \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^3 dt \right]^{1/4} + \frac{C}{r^{3/2}} \int_{-r^2}^0 \left(\int_{B_r} |u|^2 \right)^{3/2} dt \leq$$

$$\leq C \left(\int_{Q_r} |\nabla u|^2 \right)^{3/4} [r^5 A^3(r)]^{1/4} + C r^2 A^{3/2}(r) =$$

$$= C A^{3/4}(r) \left(\delta^{3/4}(r) + A^{3/4}(r) \right) r^2 \text{ which gives}$$

the claimed inequality. \square

Lemma 2. Let $r \leq \frac{1}{2} \rho$ then

$$L(r) \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho} \right)^{7/5} A^{1/5}(r) G^{1/5}(r) K^{4/5}(\rho) +$$