Gevrey spaces and nonlinear inviscid damping for 2D Euler.

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Gevrey norms

Gevrey classes. Maurice Gevrey (1884-1957)

In 1918, Maurice Gevrey defined the following:

Definition: Let $m \ge 1$. $G^m(\mathbb{T})$ (Gevrey space of class m) is the set of f = f(x) s.t.

$$\exists C, \tau > 0, \quad |f^{(k)}(x)| \leq C \tau^{-k} (k!)^m, \quad C, \tau > 0, \quad \forall k, x.$$

Remark:

• m = 1: analytic functions.

• m > 1: $G^m(\mathbb{T})$ contains compactly supported functions.

Proposition: $f \in G^m(\mathbb{T})$ iff

 $\exists C, \sigma > 0, \quad |\hat{f}(k)| \leq C e^{-\sigma k^{1/m}}$

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In physical space

$$\|f\|_{G^{m,\sigma}_{\tau}}^{2} := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \left(\tau^{j}(j!)^{-m} j^{\sigma}\right)^{2} \|\partial^{j} f\|_{L^{2}}^{2}$$
(1)

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{G}_{\tau}^{m,\sigma}}^{2} := \||\xi|^{\sigma} e^{\tau |\xi|^{1/m}} \hat{f}(\xi)\|_{L^{2}}^{2}$$
(2)

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m is the Gevrey class σ is a Sobolev correction τ is the *radius* of analyticity when m = 1.

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- Gevrey norms

Gevrey norms (mostly for analytic regularity) are used in many PDE problems :

- Temam-Foias
- Bardos-BenAchour
- Ferrari-Titi
- Levermore-Oliver-Titi
- Sammartino and Caflisch
- Kukavica-Temam-Vicol-Ziane
- Rauch

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Prandtl system: Ludwig Prandtl (1875 -1953)

Aerodynamic boundary layers were first introduced by Ludwig Prandtl in a paper presented on August 12, 1904 at the third International Congress of Mathematicians in Heidelberg, Germany. It divided the flow field into two areas:

1) One inside the boundary layer, dominated by viscosity and creating the majority of drag experienced by the boundary body (Prandtl system),

2) One outside the boundary layer, where viscosity can be neglected without significant effects on the solution (Euler)

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D'Alembert's paradox. D'Alembert (1717-1783)

In particular, this gave an answer to the D'Alembert's (1717-1783) paradox (or the hydrodynamic paradox). This paradox was a contradiction reached in 1752 by French mathematician Jean le Rond D'Alembert who proved that for incompressible and inviscid potential flow the drag force is zero on a body moving with constant velocity relative to the fluid.

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Starting point: Navier-Stokes in a half-plane ($\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2_+$).

Dimensionless form:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \rho - \varepsilon \Delta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}. \end{cases}$$
(NS)

 $\varepsilon = \frac{\nu}{UL}$ (ε^{-1} is the *Reynolds number*)

Flow around an airplane wing: $\varepsilon \sim 10^{-5}$ - 10^{-6} .

Tempting simplification : $\varepsilon = 0$.

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = 0, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0. \end{cases}$$
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Case $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2$: this simplification can be justified *in general* in the case without boundaries (Swann, Kato, Constantin, ...).

Case
$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2_+$$
: not so clear !

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Problem with the boundary condition.

If $\varepsilon = 0$ (Euler): *non-penetration* condition:

$$\mathbf{u}\cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega} = \mathbf{0}$$

If $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ (Navier-Stokes): *no-slip* condition:

$$\boldsymbol{u}|_{\partial\Omega}~=~0$$

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Strong velocity gradients, near the boundary: boundary layer.

Question: How does concentration in the boundary layer affect the asymptotics $\overline{\varepsilon \to 0}~?$

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Prandtl boundary layer theory (1904)

Asymptotic model, involving two different asymptotic expansions of the solution $u^{\ensuremath{\varepsilon}}$:

away from the boundary: Euler:

$$\mathbf{u}^{\varepsilon} \approx \mathbf{u}_{E} = (u_{E}, v_{E})(t, x, y).$$

• near the boundary: concentration at scale $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$:

$$\mathbf{u}^{\varepsilon} \approx \left(u\left(t, x, y/\sqrt{\varepsilon}\right), \sqrt{\varepsilon} v\left(t, x, y/\sqrt{\varepsilon}\right) \right)$$

where u = u(t, x, Y), v = v(t, x, Y), $(x, Y) \in \mathbb{R} \times [0, +\infty[$.

Formally (with y instead of Y):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t u + u \partial_x u + v \partial_y u + \partial_x p - \partial_y^2 u = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \ y > 0, \\ \partial_y p = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \ y > 0, \\ \partial_x u + \partial_y v = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \ y > 0. \end{array} \right.$$

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Boundary conditions:

• no-slip:
$$u(t, x, 0) = v(t, x, 0) = 0$$
.

matching to the Euler flow:

$$u(t, x, +\infty) = U_E(t, x) := u_E(t, x, 0),$$

$$p(t, x, +\infty) = P_E(t, x) := p_E(t, x, 0).$$

Finally, Prandtl equation reads (with $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2_+$):

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + u \partial_x u + v \partial_y u - \partial_y^2 u = -\partial_x P_E, \\ \partial_x u + \partial_y v = 0, \\ u|_{y=0} = v|_{y=0} = 0, \\ u|_{y=+\infty} = U_E. \end{cases}$$
(P)

<u>Questions:</u> Experimental evidence ? Mathematical justification ? More precisely: is (P) well-posed ? Asymptotic expansion of \mathbf{u}^{ε} ?

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Many experimental studies (flows around obstacles)...



23. Symmetric plane flow past an airfoil. An NACA 64A015 profile is at zero incidence in a water tunnel. The Reynolds number is 7000 based on the chordlength. Streamlines are shown by colored fluid introduced up

stream. The flow is evidently laminar and appears to be unseparated, though one might anticipate a small separated region near the trailing edge. ONERA photograph, Werle 1974

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... which exhibit many instabilities.

Example: Boundary layer separation.



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Explanation for the separation: *adverse pressure gradient*.

 $U_E > 0$, $-\partial_x P_E < 0$. Loss of monotonicity (in y), followed by separation.



Figure 1. Décollement de la couche limite

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Cauchy problem for Prandtl

Positive results:

- Analytic data (w.r.t. x): locally well-posed ([Sammartino and Caflisch 1998], [Lombardo-Cannone and Sammartino 2003], [Kukavica and Vicol 2012]).
- Monotonic data (w.r.t. y): *locally well-posed, globally if* $\partial_x P_E < 0$ ([Oleinik 1968], [Xin-Zhang 2004] (Crocco transform). [Alexandre-Wang-Xu and Yang 2012], [Masmoudi and Wong 2012]).

Questions: Non-monotonic data ? Sobolev theory ?

Studied in [Gérard-Varet and Dormy 2010]. For better understanding:

Linearization around a shear flow (U(y), 0).

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + U \partial_x u + v U' - \partial_y^2 u = 0, & \text{in } \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}^+.\\ \partial_x u + \partial_y v = 0, & \text{in } \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}^+,\\ (u, v)|_{y=0} = (0, 0), & \lim_{y \to +\infty} u = 0. \end{cases}$$
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Theorem (Gevrey well-posedness [Gérard-Varet and M])

Let $\tau_0 > 0$, $s \gg 1$ even, $\sigma \ge \gamma + \frac{1}{2} \gg 1$. Let

$$u_0 \in G^{7/4}_{ au_0}(\mathbb{T}; \ H^{s+1}_{\gamma-1}), \quad \omega_0 \ := \ \partial_y u_0 \in G^{7/4}_{ au_0}(\mathbb{T}; \ H^s_{\gamma}),$$

satisfying: $u_0|_{y=0} = 0$, as well as (H1), (H2). Then there exists T > 0, $0 < \tau \le \tau_0$ and a unique solution

$$u \in L^{\infty}\big(0, T; G_{\tau}^{7/4}(\mathbb{T}; H^{s+1}_{\gamma-1})\big), \quad \omega \in L^{\infty}\big(0, T; G_{\tau}^{7/4}(\mathbb{T}; H^{s}_{\gamma})\big),$$

of (P), with initial data u_0 .

 H_{γ}^{s} is a weighted Sobolev space.

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Two main points :

- The Gevrey requirement is due to an instability in the linearized problem
- The proof used the physical space representation of the Gevrey norm because the cancellation of Tak Kwong Wong and M is given in physical space.

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Sommerfeld (1868-1951) paradox (or turbulence paradox) says that mathematically the Couette flow (linear shear) is linearly stable (spectral stability) for all Reynolds numbers, but experimentally transition to turbulence is observed under perturbations of any size when the Reynolds number is large.



One of the main explanation was given by W. Orr (1866-1934) in 1907 and is based on the Orr mechanism.

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- We will be studying this question in the simplest setting: $(x, y) \in \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$.

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- The decay of the velocity field in 2D Euler is referred to as *inviscid damping*.

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Stability and Instability in hydrodynamics

Many mathematical results

- C.C.-Lin
- Drazin-Howard and Drazin-Reid

- Arnold
- Friedlander-Strauss-Vishik
- Grenier
- Bardos-Guo-Strauss
- Z. Lin

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The vorticity ω , and the velocity $\nabla^{\perp}\psi$ it creates through the Biot-Savart law, are the perturbation from the background shear flow.

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Mixing as a linear decay estimate

Linearizing 2D Euler around Couette flow gives the passive transport:

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- The transient amplification that occurs at $\eta = kt$ and subsequent decay is called the *Orr mechanism*. We call the time $t = \frac{\eta}{k}$ the 'Orr critical time'.

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Recall that in the moving frame the streamfunction is given by

$$\hat{\phi}(k,\eta)=-rac{\hat{\omega}_0(k,\eta)}{k^2+ert\eta-ktert^2}.$$

Consider a pure plane wave with $\eta \gg k$ being sheared (based on a picture of Boyd):



Figure: The center image occurs at the *critical time* $t = \eta/k$

The right half is mixing and losing kinetic energy but the left-half is un-mixing.

Nonlinear inviscid damping

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Theorem (Bedrossian - Masmoudi 2013)

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Moreover, the velocity field U converges strongly in L^2 to the shear flow $(y + u_{\infty}(y), 0)$:

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$$\|A(t,\nabla)f\|_2^2 = \sum_k \int_{\eta} |A(t,k,\eta)f(t,k,\eta)|^2 d\eta.$$

The multiplier A has several components :

$$A_k(t,\eta) = e^{\lambda(t)|k,\eta|^s} \langle k,\eta \rangle^\sigma J_k(t,\eta) B_k(t,\eta).$$

The index $\lambda(t)$ is the bulk Gevrey $-\frac{1}{s}$ regularity and will be chosen to satisfy

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = - \mathcal{K}_\lambda rac{\epsilon}{\langle t
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for some K_{λ} and q > 1.

The main multiplier for dealing with the Orr mechanism and the nonlinear growth it yields is

$$J_k(t,\eta) = rac{e^{\mu |\eta|^{1/2}}}{w_k(t,\eta)} + e^{\mu |k|^{1/2}}$$

where $w_k(t, \eta)$ describes the expected 'worst-case' growth due to nonlinear interactions at the critical times

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Energy estimate

With this special norm, we can define our main energy:

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In a sense, there are two coupled energy estimates we need to make: the one on Af and the one on $A\partial_t v$.

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$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}\int |Af|^2\,dx = -CK_\lambda - CK_w - CK_B + \int AfA(u\cdot\nabla f)dx,\qquad(14)$$

where the CK stands for 'Cauchy-Kovalevskaya' since these three terms arise from the progressive weakening of the norm in time, and are expressed as

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The rest of the proof is to control Transport and Reaction terms....

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- Elliptic estimates to invert $\Delta_t \phi = f$
- Control of $[\partial_t v]$ which appears in E(t)

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Theorem (Bedrossian, Masmoudi, Mouhot 2013)

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$$\sum_{\alpha \in N^{d} : |\alpha| \le M} \| \mathbf{v}^{\alpha} h_{in} \|_{\lambda_0; s}^2 < \epsilon^2 \le \epsilon_0^2,$$

then there exists a mean-zero f_{∞} satisfying

$$\|h(t, x + vt, v) - f_{\infty}(x, v)\|_{\lambda'; s} \lesssim \epsilon e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\lambda_0 - \lambda')t^s},$$
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Ideas of proof : We introduce a multiplier A

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We 'mod out' by the lack of compactness of the free transport and work in the coordinates z = x - vt with g(t, z, v) = h(t, x, v). Then (17a) becomes equivalent to $g(t) \rightarrow f_{\infty}$ strongly in Gevrey $-\frac{1}{s}$.

We use a Bootstrap argument to propagate the following control:

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{d}: |\alpha| \le M} \|\langle \nabla_{z, \nu} \rangle A(\nu^{\alpha} g)(t)\|_{2}^{2} \le 4K_{1} \langle t \rangle^{7} \epsilon^{2}$$
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