

# On the inviscid limit problem for viscous incompressible flows in the half plane - Approach from vorticity formulation

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## Abstract

**The note is mainly for personal record, if you want to read it, please be careful.** This Notes was taken when Prof. Yasunori Maekawa ( Tohoku University, Japan ) visiting Taiwan. I followed his lecture and took the note.

Overviews:

$$(NS) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla u - \nu \Delta u + \nabla p = 0 & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nabla \cdot u = 0 & t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u = 0 & t \geq 0, x \in \partial \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u = a & t = 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathbb{R}_+^2 = \{(x_1, x_2) | x_2 > 0\}$ ,  $u = (u_1, u_2)$ : velocity,  $a = (a_1, a_2)$ : initial velocity,  $p$ : pressure and  $\nu > 0$ : kinematic viscosity (constant).  $u = 0$  on  $\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2$ : no-slip B.C..  $\omega = \partial_1 u_2 - \partial_2 u_1 := \text{Rot } u$ : vorticity. Note that  $\text{Rot} \Delta u = \Delta \text{Rot } u$ ,  $\text{Rot}(u, \nabla u) = u \cdot \nabla \text{Rot } u$  (since  $\nabla \cdot u = 0$ ),  $\text{Rot}(\nabla p) = 0$ . Then these imply

$$\partial_t \omega + u \cdot \nabla \omega - \nu \Delta \omega = 0, t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2.$$

- Vorticity is useful if there is no boundary (e.g.  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T^2$ ), which is well-studied.
- Behavior near the boundary? No-slip B.C. on  $u$  is a source of the vorticity on the boundary.

Basic question: B.C. on  $\omega$ ? (vorticity formulation of (NS)): Topic 1.  
For typical flows,  $\nu$  is very small (for water  $20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\nu \sim 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ).

Problem: Behavior of  $u = u^{(\nu)}$  in the limit  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ . Formally we obtain the Euler equation: For  $u_E = (u_{E,1}, u_{E,2})$ ,

$$(E) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u_E + u_E \cdot \nabla u_E + \nabla p_E = 0 & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nabla \cdot u_E = 0 & t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u_{E,2} = 0 & t \geq 0, x \in \partial \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u_E = a & t = 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}.$$

In general,  $u_{E,1} \neq 0$  on  $\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2$ , while  $u^{(\nu)} = 0$  and  $a = 0$  on  $\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2$ .  
⇒ Boundary layer appears.

Formal estimate of the boundary layer thickness  $\delta$  (Parndtl 1904).

$\partial_t u_1 + u \cdot \nabla u_1 - \nu \Delta u_1 + \partial_1 p = 0$ ,  $\partial_1 u_1 + \partial_2 u_2 = 0$ . Near the boundary, we expect  $u_1, \partial_1 u_1, \partial_1^2 u_1, \partial_t u_1 \sim O(1)$ ,  $\partial u_2 \sim O(\frac{1}{\delta})$ ,  $\partial_2^2 u_1 \sim O(\frac{1}{\delta^2})$ ,  $\partial_1 p \sim O(1)$ . From  $\nabla \cdot u = 0$ , we have  $\partial_2 u_2 \sim O(1) \Rightarrow u_2 \sim O(\delta)$ ,  $u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \sim O(\delta) \cdot O(\frac{1}{\delta}) = O(1)$ ,  $u_1 \partial_1 u_1 \sim O(1) \Rightarrow \frac{\nu}{\delta^2} \sim O(1)$ ,  $\therefore \delta = \nu^{1/2}$ .

Near the boundary  $u^{(\nu)} \sim u_p^{(\nu)} = (v_{p,1}(t, x_1, \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}}), u_{p,2}(t, x_1, \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}}))$ ,  $x = (x_1, X_2)$  where  $X_2 = \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}}$ .

$$(P) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t v_{p,1} - \partial_{X_2}^2 v_{p,1} + v_p \cdot \nabla_x v_{p,1} + \partial_1 \pi_p = 0, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nabla_x \cdot v_p = 0, \partial_{X_2} \pi_p = 0, v_p|_{t=0} = 0 \\ v_p|_{X_2=0} = 0, \lim_{X_2 \rightarrow 0} v_{p,1} = u_{E,1}|_{x_2=0}, \lim_{X_2 \rightarrow \infty} \pi_p = p_E|_{x_2=0} \end{cases}.$$

We want to justify  $u^{(\nu)} \sim \begin{cases} u_E, & \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}} \gg 1 \\ u_p^{(\nu)}, & \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}} \ll 1 \end{cases}$  at least locally in time. Sammartino-

Caffisch (CMP, 98): Given data (initial velocity)  $a$  is analytic. This result is not applicable for, e.g.,  $a \in C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^2)$ .

Now, we justify  $u^{(\nu)} \sim \begin{cases} u_E, & \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}} \gg 1 \\ u_p^{(\nu)}, & \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}} \ll 1 \end{cases}$  when the initial vorticity  $b = \text{Rot} a$  satisfies  $\text{dist}(\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2, \text{supp } b) > 0$  and Sobolev regularity: Topic 2.

# 1 Vorticity formulation for NS equation in $\mathbb{R}_+^2$

## 1.1 Derivation

Vorticity field  $\omega = \partial_1 u_2 - \partial_2 u_1$  and  $\nabla \cdot u = 0$  imply  $-\Delta u = \nabla^\perp \omega$ , where  $\nabla^\perp = (\partial_2, -\partial_1)$ . Biot-Savart law gives  $u = \nabla^\perp (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega$ , where  $h = (-\Delta_D)^{-1} f$  is the solution of  $\begin{cases} -\Delta h = f & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ h = 0 & \text{on } \partial \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$ , Note that  $\nabla \cdot \nabla^\perp (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega = 0$ ,  $\text{Rot} \nabla^\perp (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega = \omega$ ,  $\gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_1 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega = 0$  (trace).

(Derivation of vorticity B.C.)

Requirement:  $\gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega = 0$ .

In  $\mathbb{R}_+^2$ ,  $\omega$  satisfies  $\partial_t \omega + u \cdot \nabla \omega - \nu \Delta \omega = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}_+^2$ , therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \partial_t \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \omega \\ &= \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} \partial_t \omega \\ &= \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} (\nu \Delta \omega - u \cdot \nabla \omega) \\ &= \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} (\nu \Delta (\omega - \omega_{har}) - u \cdot \nabla \omega) \\ &= -\nu \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} (\omega - \omega_{har}) - \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial (-\Delta_D)^{-1} (u \cdot \nabla \omega) \\ &= -\nu \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 \omega - \nu (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2} \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \omega - \gamma_{\partial \mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2 (-\Delta_D)^{-1} (u \cdot \nabla \omega) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\omega_{har}$  satisfies  $\begin{cases} \Delta\omega_{har} = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \omega_{har} = \omega & \text{on } \partial\mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$  and the last equation comes from the Dirichlet-to-Neumann map on the half-plane property.  $\therefore \nu(\partial_2\omega + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\omega) = -\partial(-\Delta_D)^{-1}(u \cdot \nabla\omega)$  on  $\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2$ .

$$(V) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t\omega + M(\omega, \omega) - \nu\Delta\omega = 0 & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nu(\partial_2\omega + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\omega) = N(\omega, \omega) & t > 0, x \in \partial\mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \omega = \text{Rota} & t = 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$$

where  $M(f, g) = J(f) \cdot \nabla g$ ,  $J(f) = \nabla^\perp(-\Delta_D)^{-1}f$ ,  $N(f, g) = -\gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} J_1(M(f, g))$ . Then  $(NS) \Leftrightarrow (V) + \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} a = 0$  (Note that we have used the fractional Laplacian, so the nonlocal property automatically holds).

## 1.2 Solution formula for linearization

$$(LV) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t\omega - \nu\Delta\omega = f & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nu(\partial_2\omega + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\omega) = g & t > 0, x \in \partial\mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \omega = b & y = 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$$

and we have  $\widehat{(-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\omega}(\xi) = |\xi_1|\widehat{\omega}(\xi, \cdot)$  and  $b = 0$  for simplicity, where  $\tilde{\omega}(s, \xi_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2}} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} \omega(t, x) e^{-ix_1\xi_1 - ts} dx_1 dt$ . Then we have

$$\begin{cases} \partial_2^2\tilde{\omega} - \left(\frac{s}{\nu} + \xi^2\right)\tilde{\omega} = -\frac{1}{\nu}\tilde{f} & x_2 > 0 \\ \partial_2\tilde{\omega} + |\xi_1|\tilde{\omega} = \frac{\tilde{g}}{\nu} & x_2 = 0, \tilde{\omega} \rightarrow 0 \quad (x_2 \rightarrow \infty). \end{cases}$$

$G(t, x) = \frac{1}{4\pi t} e^{-|x|^2/4t}$ ,  $E(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \log|x|$ ,  $(h_1 \star h_2)$  is the standard convolution, and  $(h_1 * h_2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} h_x(x - y^*)h_2(y)dy$ , where  $y^* = (y_1, -y_2)$ .  $h * (gH_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}^1)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} h(x_1 - y_1, x_2)g(y_1)dy_1$ ,  $\Gamma(t, x) = 2(\partial_1^2 + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\partial_2)(E * G(t))(x)$ ,  $e^{t\Delta_N}f = G(t) * f + G(t) \star f$ ,  $\Gamma(0) \star f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \Gamma(t) \star f = 2(\partial_1^2 + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2}\partial_2)E \star f$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** *The solution formula for (LV) is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(t) &= e^{\nu t B}b - \Gamma(0) \star b + \int_0^t e^{\nu(t-s)B}(f(s) - g(s)H_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}^1)ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \Gamma(0) \star (f(s) - g(s)H_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}^1)ds \end{aligned}$$

where  $e^{\nu t B} := e^{\nu t \Delta_N} + \Gamma(\nu t) \star$ .

Refer to “Solution formula for the Stokes equation: Solonnikov (AMS Transl 68(, Ukai (CPAM 87). “

**Proposition 1.2.** *If  $g = \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} J_1(f) = \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} \partial_2(-\Delta_D)^{-1}f$ , then  $\Gamma(0) \star (f - gH_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}^1) = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}_+^2$ . In particular, if  $\gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} J_1(b) = 0$ , then  $\Gamma(0) \star b = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}_+^2$ .*

(Note:  $\nabla \cdot a = 0$ ,  $b = \text{Rota}$ ,  $\gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} a = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} J(b) = 0$ .

*Proof.* (Prop 1.2)

$$\begin{aligned}
E * (f - gH_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}^1) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} E(x - y^*) f(y) dy + \int_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} E(x - y^*) \partial_{11}(-\Delta_D)^{-1} f d\nu_y^1 \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} \nabla_y E(x - y^*) \cdot \nabla_y (-\Delta_D)^{-1} f dy \\
&= - \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} \Delta_y E(x - y^*) f(y) dy = 0
\end{aligned}$$

if  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ . □

**Proposition 1.3.**  $\Gamma(\nu t) * b - \Gamma(0) * b = -\nu \int_0^t \Im G(\nu s) ds * b$  in  $\mathbb{R}_+^2$  and  $\Im = 2(\partial_1^2 + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2} \partial_2)$ .

*Proof.* RHS =  $\int_0^t \Im(-\Delta_{\mathbb{R}^2})^{-1} \partial_\xi(G(\nu s)) ds * b = \Im E * G(\nu t) * b - \Im E * b$ . □

### 1.3 Properties of $\{e^{tB}\}_{t \geq 0}$

Set  $\dot{W}_{0,\sigma}^{1,q}(\mathbb{R}_+^2) = \overline{C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^2)}^{\|\nabla a\|_{L^q}}$ ,  $1 < q < \infty$ .  $X_q = \{\text{Rota } a \in L^q(\mathbb{R}_+^2) | a \in \dot{W}_{0,\sigma}^{1,q}(\mathbb{R}_+^2)\}$ .

**Theorem 1.4.**  $\{e^{tB}\}_{t>0}$  defines a  $C_0$ -analytic semigroup in  $X_q$ . Moreover, its generator  $B_q$  is given by

$$D(B_q) = \{f \in X_q \cap W^{2,q}(\mathbb{R}_+^2) | \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2}(\partial_2 f + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2} f) = 0\},$$

and  $B_q f = \Delta f$  when  $f \in D(B_q)$ . Moreover,  $\|\nabla^2 f\|_{L^q} \leq C \|B_q f\|_{L^q}$ ,  $f \in D(B_q)$ .

## 2 Inviscid limit problem

### 2.1 Result

$$(NS) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u^{(\nu)} + u^{(\nu)} \cdot \nabla u^{(\nu)} - \nu \Delta u^{(\nu)} + \nabla p^{(\nu)} = 0 & t \in (0, T), x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \nabla \cdot u = 0 & t \in (0, T), x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u = 0 & t \in (0, T), x \in \partial\mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ u = a & t = 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{cases}$$

$v_p$ : velocity of the Prandtl flow,  $\tilde{v}_p = (\tilde{v}_{p,1}, \tilde{v}_{p,2})$ ,  $\tilde{v}_{p,1} = v_{p,1} - \gamma_{\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2} u_{E,1}$ ,  $\tilde{v}_{p,2} = \int_{x_2}^\infty \partial_1 \tilde{v}_{p,1} dY_2$ .

(Velocity of the modified Prandtl flow)

$$\tilde{u}_{p,1}^{(\nu)}(t, x) = \tilde{v}_{p,1}(t, x_1, \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}}), \tilde{u}_{p,2}^{(\nu)}(t, x) = \nu^{1/2} \tilde{v}_{p,2}(t, x_1, \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}}).$$

**Theorem 2.1.** (*M., to appear in CPAM*)

Let  $a \in \dot{W}_{0,\sigma}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}_+^2) \cap W^{4,2}(\mathbb{R}_+^2)$  for some  $1 < p < 2$  and  $b = \partial_1 a_2 - \partial_2 a_1 \in W^{4,1}(\mathbb{R}_+^2) \cap W^{4,2}(\mathbb{R}_+^2)$ . Assume that  $d_0 = \text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{R}_+^2, \text{suppb}) > 0$ . Then  $\exists T, C > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{0 < t < T} \|u^{(\nu)}(t) - u_E(t) - \tilde{u}_p^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq C \nu^{1/2}$$

for sufficiently small  $\nu > 0$ . The time  $T$  is estimated from below as  $T \geq c \min\{d_0, 1\}$  with  $c > 0$  depending only on  $\|b\|_{W^{4,1} \cap W^{4,2}}$ .

(Away the boundary, (NS) is estimated by Euler equation,; Near the boundary, (NS) is estimated by Prandtl equation)

We assume  $0 < d_0 \ll 1$ , for simplicity.

Note:  $\omega_E = \text{Rot} u_E \in C^1([0, T] \times \mathbb{R}_+^2) \cap L^\infty(0, T; W^{4,1} \cap W^{4,2}) \forall T > 0$  satisfies  $\partial_t \omega_E + u_E \cdot \nabla \omega_E = 0$ .

In particular,  $\cup_{0 < t < T_0} \text{supp } \omega_E(t) \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 | x_2 \geq \frac{d_0}{2}\}$  for  $T_0 = c_0 d_0$  with some  $C_0 > 0$  depending only on  $\|b\|_{W^{4,1} \cap W^{4,2}}$ .

- Key observations for the proof of theorem 2.1:

(1) Analyticity of the data near the boundary (from the Prandtl)  $\Rightarrow$  Local solvability of the Prandtl equation (cf. Sammartino-Caflisch (CMP '98), Lombardo-Cannone-Sammartino (SIMA JMA '03), Kukavica-Vicol (CMS '13)).

(2) Exponential smallness in  $\nu^{-1}$  of the vorticity in the region between the boundary layer and  $\text{supp } \omega_E \Rightarrow$  Small direct interaction between the vorticity of the outer flow and the vorticity created on the boundary.

We make the ansatz  $\omega^{(\nu)} = \omega_E + R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} \omega_p + R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} \omega_{IP}^{(\nu)} + \omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}$ , the last two are remainder terms,  $(R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f)(t, x) = \frac{1}{\nu^{1/2}} f(t, x_2, \frac{x_2}{\nu^{1/2}})$ .

$$(V_E) \begin{cases} \partial_t \omega_E + M(\omega_E, \omega_E) = 0 \\ \omega_E|_{t=0} = \text{Rota} \end{cases}$$

where  $M(f, g) = J(f) \cdot \nabla g$ ,  $J(f) = \nabla^\perp (-\Delta_D)^{-1} f$ .

$$(V_P) \begin{cases} \partial_t \omega_p - \partial_{X_2}^2 \omega_p = -v_p \cdot \nabla_X \omega_p & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \\ \partial_t \omega_p = -\int_0^\infty v_p \cdot \nabla_X \omega_p dY_2 + N(\omega_E, \omega_E) & \text{on the boundary} \\ \omega_p|_{t=0} = 0 \end{cases}$$

## 2.2 Function spaces

- $\mu, \rho, \theta \geq 0$ : parameters.
- $\xi_1$ : wave number in  $x_1$  direction.
- $X_2 = \nu^{-1/2} x_2$ .
- $(\alpha)_+ = \max(\alpha, 0)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu,\rho)} &= \exp \left( \frac{(\mu - \nu^{1/2} X_2)_+ |\xi_1|}{4} + \rho X_2^2 \right), \\ \varphi_{E,\nu}^{(\mu,\rho)}(\xi_1, X_2) &= \exp \left( \frac{(\mu - x_2)_+}{4} |\xi_1| + \frac{\theta}{\nu} \left( \frac{d_0}{8} - x_2 \right)_+^2 \right), \\ \hat{f}(\xi_1, x_2) &= \mathcal{F}_{x_1 \rightarrow \xi_1} [f(\cdot, x_2)(\xi_1)], \| \hat{f} \|_{L_{\xi_1}^p L_{x_2}^q} = (\int_{\mathbb{R}} (\int_0^\infty |\hat{f}(\xi_1, x_2)|^q dx_2)^{p/q} d\xi_1)^{1/p}, \\ \| f \|_{X_{IP_{\nu,0}}^{(\mu,p)}} &= \sum_{k=0,1} \| \varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu,\rho)} X_2^{k/2} \hat{f} \|_{L_{\xi_1}^2 L_{x_2}^{1+k}}, \| f \|_{X_{IP_{\nu,j}}^{(\mu,p)}}, j = 1, 2: \text{additional Sobolev} \\ \text{regularity. } \| f \|_{X_{p,2}^{(\mu,p)}} &:= \| f \|_{X_{IP_{0,2}}^{(\mu,p)}} (\nu = 0), \| f \|_{X_{IE_{\nu,0}}^{(\mu,\theta)}} = \| \varphi_{E,\nu}^{(\mu,\theta)} \hat{f} \|_{L_{\xi_1}^2, L_{x_2}^2} + \\ \| \varphi_{E,\nu}^{(0,\theta)} f \|_{L_x^1}, \| f \|_{X_{IE_{\nu,j}}^{(\mu,\theta)}}, j = 1, 2: \text{additional Sobolev regularity.} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.2.**  $\exists C, T, \mu, \rho, \theta > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{0 < t < T} \|\omega_p(t)\|_{X_p^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})}} &\leq C, \\ \sup_{0 < t < T} (\|\omega_{IP}^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{X_{IP_{\nu,1}}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})}} + \|\omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{X_{IE_{\nu,1}}^{(\mu, \frac{\theta}{t})}}) &\leq C\nu^{1/2}. \\ u^{(\nu)} &= J(\omega^{(\nu)}). \end{aligned}$$

### 2.3 Biot-Savart law

**Lemma 2.3.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(\partial_1(-\Delta_D)^{-1}f)(\xi_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{i\xi_1}{|\xi_1|} \left\{ \int_0^\infty e^{-|\xi_1|(x_2-z_2)} (1 - e^{-2|\xi_1|z_2}) \hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2) dz_2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^\infty e^{-|\xi_1|(z_2-x_2)} (1 - e^{-2|\xi_1|x_2}) \hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2) dz_2 \right\}, \\ \mathcal{F}(\partial_2(-\Delta_D)^{-1}f)(\xi_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ - \int_0^{x_2} e^{-|\xi_1|(x_2-z_2)} (1 - e^{-2|\xi_1|z_2}) \hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2) dz_2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{x_2}^\infty e^{-|\xi_1|(z_2-x_2)} (1 + e^{-2|\xi_1|x_2}) \hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2) dz_2 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note: If  $\text{supp } f \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x_2 \geq m > 0\}$ , then for  $x_2 < m$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{F}[\partial_j(-\Delta_d)^{-1}f](\xi_1, x_2)| &\leq c \int_m^\infty e^{-|\xi_1|(z_2-x_2)} |\hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2)| dz_2 \\ &\leq e^{-|\xi_1|(m-x_2)} \int_0^\infty |\hat{f}(\xi_1, z_2)| dz_2. \end{aligned}$$

- Key ingredient of the proof:
  - (1) Solution formula for linearized (vorticity) problem. Weighted norm estimates for linear and bilinear maps.
  - (2) Pointwise estimate for the Green function of  $\partial_t - \nu\Delta + u \cdot \nabla$  under the Neumann boundary condition.
  - (3) Abstract Cauchy-Kowalevsky theorem.
- Key propositions

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $0 < s < t$ ,  $\mu > 0$ ,  $0 < \rho, \theta \ll 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|R_\nu e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f\|_{X_{IP_{\nu,o}}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})}} &\lesssim \|f\|_{X_{IP_{\nu,o}}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{s})}}, \\ \|e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} f\|_{X_{IE_{\nu,o}}^{(\mu, \frac{\theta}{t})}} &\lesssim \|f\|_{X_{IE_{\nu,o}}^{(\mu, \frac{\theta}{s})}}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Set  $g(t, X_2) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{1/2}} e^{-x_2^2/4t}$ ,  $g_N(t, X_2, Y_2) = g(t, X_2 - Y_2) + g(t, X_2 + Y_2)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}[R_\nu e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f](\xi_1, X_2) &= e^{-\nu(t-s)\xi_1^2} \int_0^\infty g_N(t-s, X_2, Y_2) \hat{f}(\xi_1, Y_2) dY_2 \\ &= e^{-\nu(t-s)\xi_1^2} \int_0^\infty g_N(t-s, X_2, Y_2) e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\mu-\nu^{1/2}Y_2)_+} \\ &\quad \times e^{|\xi_1|} \varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu,0)} \hat{f} dY_2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})} \mathcal{F}[R_\nu e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f](\xi_1, X_2)| &\lesssim \frac{e^{\frac{p}{t}X_2^2}}{(t-s)^{1/2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\nu(t-s)\xi_1^2 - \frac{|X_2-Y_2|^2}{4(t-s)}} \\ &\times e^{\frac{(\mu-\nu^{1/2}X_2)_+ - (\mu-\nu^{1/2}Y_2)_+}{4}} |\xi_1| |\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu,0)} \hat{f}| dY_2. \end{aligned}$$

By

$$\begin{aligned} \mu - \nu^{1/2}X_2)_+ |\xi_1| &\leq (\mu - \nu^{1/2}Y_2)_+ |\xi_1| + \nu^{1/2}|X_2 - Y_2| |\xi_1| \\ &\leq (\mu - \nu^{1/2}Y_2)_+ |\xi_1| + \nu(t-s)\xi_1^2 + \frac{|X_2 - Y_2|^2}{4(t-s)} \\ &\lesssim \frac{e^{\frac{p}{t}X_2^2}}{(t-s)^{1/2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{3}{4}\nu(t-s)\xi_1^2} e^{-\frac{|X_2-Y_2|^2}{8(t-s)}} |\varphi_{p,\nu} \hat{f}| dY_2, \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Young-type inequality with weights gives

$$\|\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})} \mathcal{F}[R_\nu e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f]\|_{L_{X_2}^1} \lesssim \|\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\nu, \frac{p}{s})} \hat{f}(\xi_1)\|_{L_{X_2}^1}$$

and

$$\|\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\mu, \frac{p}{t})} \mathcal{F}[R_\nu e^{\nu(t-s)\Delta_N} R_{\frac{1}{\nu}} f]\|_{L_{\xi_1}^2 L_{X_2}^1} \lesssim \|\varphi_{p,\nu}^{(\nu, \frac{p}{s})} \hat{f}(\xi_1)\|_{L_{\xi_1}^2 L_{X_2}^1}.$$

□

$\omega^{(\nu)} = \omega_E + R_{\frac{1}{\nu}}\omega_p + R_{\frac{1}{\nu}}\omega_{IP}^{(\nu)} + \omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}$ , the last term is the remainder of the outer flow.

$$(V_{IE,\nu}) \begin{cases} \partial_t \omega_{IE} - \nu \Delta \omega_{IE} + M(\omega^{(\nu)}, \omega_{IE}) = H^{(\nu)} \\ \partial_2 \omega_{IE} = 0 \\ \omega_{IE}|_{t=0} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{on the boundary}$$

and  $M(\omega^{(\nu)}, \omega_{IE}) = u^{(\nu)} \cdot \nabla \omega_{IE}, \nu(\partial_2 \omega^{(\nu)} + (-\partial_1^2)^{1/2} \omega^{(\nu)}) = \text{Nonlinear} \Rightarrow \partial_2 \omega_{IE} = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} H^{(\nu)} &= -M(R_{\frac{1}{\nu}}\omega_{IP}^{(\nu)} + \omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}, \omega_E) + \nu \Delta \omega_E \\ &= -J(R_{\frac{1}{\nu}}\omega_{IP}^{(\nu)} + \omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}) \cdot \nabla \omega_E + \nu \Delta \omega_E, \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \cup_{0 < t < T} \text{supp } H^{(\nu)}(t) \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x_2 \geq \frac{d_0}{2}\}.$$

**Proposition 2.5.**  $\omega_{IE}^{(\nu)} = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} P_{u^{(\nu)}}^{(\nu)}(t, x; s, y) H^{(\nu)}(s, y) dy ds, 0 < P_{u^{(\nu)}}^{(\nu)}(t, x; s, y) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi\nu(t-s)} \exp\left(-\frac{(|x-y| - \int_s^t \|u^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{L^\infty})_+^2}{4\nu(t-s)}\right)$ .

(From Carlen-Loss '95 Duke)

Exponential decay in  $\nu^{-1}$  of  $\omega_{IE}$  near boundary is observed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} |\omega_{IE}^{(\nu)}(t, x)| &\lesssim \int_0^t \int_{\frac{d_0}{2}}^\infty \frac{1}{\nu(t-s)} \exp\left(-\frac{(|x-y| - \int_s^t \|u^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{L^\infty})_+^2}{4\nu(t-s)}\right) \\ &\times |H^{(\nu)}| dy ds. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  If  $x_2 \leq \frac{d_0}{4}$  and  $0 < t < T = O(d_0) \ll 1$ ,  $\sup_{0 < t < T} \|u^{(\nu)}(t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq C$ , then

$$|\omega_{IE}(t, x)| \lesssim d_0^{-2} e^{-\frac{d_0^2}{8\nu t}} \int_0^t \|H^{(\nu)}\|_{L^1} ds.$$

For the third part, Cauchy-Kowalevsky theorem. (Nirenberg '72, Nishida '77 ...)