

On the analysis of the Transport-Stokes system

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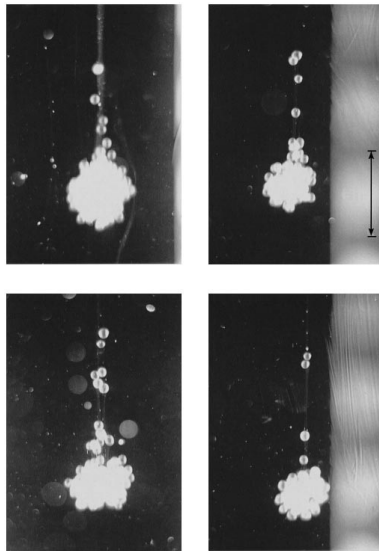


Figure: Representative photographs of blobs containing glass particles sedimenting through glycerine. Batchelor and Nitsche (1997)



Figure: Dispersed phase (thin spray) with small volume fraction

Transport-Stokes system

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$(t, x) \mapsto p(t, x)$ pressure at time $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and position $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(u\rho) = 0, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ -\Delta u + \nabla p = -\rho e_3, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ \operatorname{div} u = 0, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ \lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |u| = 0, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+, \\ \rho(0, \cdot) = \rho_0, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3. \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{TS})$$

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$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(u\rho) &= \mathbf{0}, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ u &:= -\mathcal{U} \star (\rho \mathbf{e}_3), \\ \rho(0, \cdot) &= \rho_0, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3. \end{cases}$$

\mathcal{U} the Stokes fundamental solution

$$\mathcal{U}(x) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{I}{|x|} + \frac{x \otimes x}{|x|^3} \right)$$

Well posedness results

→ R. Höfer. 2018.

- Well posedness for regular initial data $\rho_0, \nabla \rho_0 \in X_\beta, \beta > 2$.

$$X_\beta := \left\{ f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3), \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} (1 + |x|^\beta) |f(x)| < +\infty \right\}$$

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- Well posedness for $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$ initial data
- Persistence of patch solutions with propagation of $C^{1,\mu}$ regularity of the boundary
- Invariance of the spherical patch (Hadamard-Rybczinski)
- Derivation of a 1d free surface model for the evolution of the contour of axisymmetric drops and numerical simulations

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- A. M. 2020.
- R. Höfer and R. Schubert. 2020.
- A. Leblond. 2021.
- H. Grayer II. 2022
 - Well posedness for L^∞ compactly supported initial data in \mathbb{R}^2
 - Persistence of spherical patch with propagation of $C^{k+\mu}$, $k = 0, 1, 2$ regularity of the boundary
 - Numerical investigation of the evolution of patches

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Well posedness for $L^p(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ initial densities with $p \geq 3$

Theorem

Let $p \geq 3$ and $\rho_0 \in E_p := \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)$. There is a unique solution $\rho \in C([0, +\infty), E_p)$ of the (TS) equation and the associated velocity and pressure $(u, q) \in$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C([0, +\infty), W^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^3) \times W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^3)) && \text{if } p > 3 \\
 & C([0, +\infty), \dot{W}^{2,3}(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap \dot{W}^{1,3}(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap \bigcap_{q \in (3, +\infty]} L^q(\mathbb{R}^3) \times W^{1,3}(\mathbb{R}^3)) && \text{if } p = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$u \in \begin{cases} C([0, +\infty), C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{R}^3)), & \text{if } p > 3, \\ C([0, +\infty), \text{LLip}(\mathbb{R}^3)), & \text{if } p = 3. \end{cases}$$

Finally, for all $s \in [0, +\infty)$, there exists a unique

$$X(\cdot, s, \cdot) \in \begin{cases} C([0, +\infty), C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{R}^3)), & \text{if } p > 3, \\ C([0, +\infty), C^{0,r_t}(\mathbb{R}^3)), & \text{if } p = 3, \end{cases}$$

$$\mu = 1 - 3/p, \quad r_t = e^{-Ct}, \quad C = C\|\rho_0\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^3(\mathbb{R}^3)}$$

$$\rho(t, \cdot) = X(t, 0, \cdot) \# \rho_0$$

Theorem (Stability estimate)

Let $p \geq 3$. For any $R > 0$, there is $C > 0$ such that for any couple of initial densities (ρ_1^0, ρ_2^0) in E_p with $\max_{i=1,2} (\|\rho_i^0\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}, \|\rho_i^0\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)}) \leq R$, if (u_1, ρ_1) and (u_2, ρ_2) satisfy the transport-Stokes equation (TS) for any $t \geq 0$, then

$$W_1(\rho_1(t), \rho_2(t)) \leq W_1(\rho_1^0, \rho_2^0) e^{Ct}, \quad \text{if } p > 3,$$

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Stability estimates for Liouville equations

- R. Dobrushin (1979). Case of particles with a Lipschitz interacting kernel
- G. Loeper (2006). Case of the Vlasov-Poisson system
- M. Hauray (2009). Case of first order interacting system with kernel $K : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfying $|\partial^\alpha K(x)| \leq \frac{C}{|x|^{|\alpha|+s}}$, $s < d - 1$

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Known results on analyticity of trajectories for incompressible fluid models

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Idea: $\partial_t^{n+1} X(t, x) = D_t^n u(t, X(t, x))$, with $D_t := \partial_t + (u \cdot \nabla)$ the material derivative

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Lagrangian formulation

→ P. Constantin, V. Vicol and J. Wu. 2015

the 2D surface quasi-geostrophic equation
the 2D incompressible porous medium equation
the 2D and the 3D incompressible Euler equations
the 2D Boussinesq equation

Self-contained Lagrangian formulation for the TS equation

Since $\rho(t, \cdot) = X(t, \cdot) \# \rho_0$ we have for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$, $t \geq 0$

$$\dot{X}(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \mathcal{U}_3(X(t, x) - X(t, y)) \rho_0(y) dy,$$

where

$$\mathcal{U}_3(x) := \mathcal{U}(x) \mathbf{e}_3$$

satisfies for all multi-index $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$ and $x \neq 0$

$$|\partial^\alpha \mathcal{U}_3(x)| \leq \frac{C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!}{|x|^{1+|\alpha|}}$$

for some universal constant $C > 0$.

Analyticity of the trajectories in the case $p > 3$

Theorem

Let $p > 3$, ρ_0 in E_p and (u, ρ) in $C([0, +\infty), W^{2,p} \times E_p)$ the unique corresponding solution of the transport-Stokes equation (TS). Let $\mu := 1 - 3/p$. Let X the flow associated with u , then X is analytic from $[0, +\infty)$ to $C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{R}^3)$.

Proposition

There exists $T > 0$ depending only on $\|\rho_0\|_{L^1 \cap L^p}$ and C_0 depending only on $(\|\rho_0\|_{L^1 \cap L^p}, T, \mu)$ such that for $t \in [0, T]$ and $n \geq 1$,

$$\|\partial_t^n X(t, \cdot)\|_{1,\mu} \leq n! C_0^n.$$

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Exact controllability

Theorem

Let $T > 0$. Let ρ_0 and ρ_f in L^p_c with $p > 3$ and ω an open non empty set of \mathbb{R}^3 . Then there exists $(u, \rho) : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(u, \rho) \in C([0, +\infty), W^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega) \times L_p)$$

and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -\Delta u + \nabla p = -\rho e_3, \\ \operatorname{div} u = 0, & \text{on } [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega \\ \partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0, \\ \rho(0, \cdot) = \rho_0, \rho(T, \cdot) = \rho_f, & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \end{array} \right.$$

Idea of proof

Coron's return method

Proposition

Let $T > 0$, ω and ρ_0 as above. There exists $u_{aux} : (0, T) \times \mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^3$ satisfying $u_{aux} \in C_c^\infty((0, T) \times \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega; \mathbb{R}^3)$,

$$-\Delta u_{aux} + \nabla p_{aux} = \text{div } u_{aux} = 0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega,$$

and there exists $\bigcup_{i=1}^L B(x_i, r_i)$ a covering of $\text{supp } \rho_0$ such that the flow map associated to u_{aux} sends the parts $B(x_i, r_i)$ to the control zone and back to $B(x_i, r_i)$ on several time intervals $]t_i, t_{i+1}/2[$, $1 \leq i \leq L$.

Ongoing works/ Open questions

- Lagrangian controllability
- Gevrey regularity in the critical case $p = 3$?
- characterization of the spherical patch as the unique invariant patch?