

Divergent series, Borel Summation, 3-D Navier-Stokes

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Navier-Stokes existence–background

- **Global Existence of smooth 3-D Navier-Stokes solution is an important open problem.**
- **Deviation from linear stress-strain relation or incompressibility is potentially important if N-S solutions are singular**
- **Usual numerical calculations do not address this issue because errors are not controlled, rigorously.**
- **Globally smooth solutions known only when Reynolds number small**
- **Generally, smooth solutions for smooth data on $[0, T]$ known to exist, for T scaling inversely with initial data/forcing.**
- **Global weak solutions known since Leray, but not known whether they are unique. For unforced problem in \mathbb{T}^3 , such a solution becomes smooth again for $t > T_c$, T_c depends on IC**

Borel Summation—background and main idea

- Borel summation generates , under suitable conditions, a one-one correspondence between series and functions that preserve algebraic operations (Ecale, Costin,..).
- Borel sum can involve large or small variable(s)/ parameter(s).
- Formal expansion for $t \ll 1$: $v(x, t) = v_0(x) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} t^m v_m(x)$ generally divergent for the initial value problem
 $v_t = \mathcal{N}[v]$, $v(x, 0) = v_0$, \mathcal{N} being some differential operator.
- Borel Sum of this series gives actual solution, which transcends restriction $t \ll 1$
- For Navier-Stokes, the Borel sum is given by

$$v(x, t) = v_0(x) + \int_0^{\infty} U(x, p) e^{-p/t} dp$$

Equation for U obtained by inverse-Laplace transforming N-S.

Incompressible 3-D Navier-Stokes in Fourier-Space

Consider 3-D N-S in infinite geometry or periodic box. Similar results expected for finite domain with no-slip BC using eigenfunctions of Stokes operator as basis. In Fourier-Space

$$\hat{v}_t + \nu |k|^2 \hat{v} = -ik_j P_k [\hat{v}_j \hat{*} \hat{v}] + \hat{f}(k)$$

$$P_k = \left(I - \frac{k(k \cdot)}{|k|^2} \right) , \quad \hat{v}(k, 0) = \hat{v}_0(k)$$

where P_k is the Hodge projection in Fourier space, $\hat{f}(k)$ is the Fourier-Transform of forcing $f(x)$, assumed divergence free and t -independent. Subscript j denotes the j -th component of a vector. $k \in \mathbb{R}^3$ or \mathbb{Z}^3 . Einstein convention for repeated index followed. $\hat{*}$ denotes Fourier convolution.

Decompose $\hat{v} = \hat{v}_0 + \hat{u}(k, t)$, inverse-Laplace Transform in $1/t$ and invert the differential operator on the left side

Integral equation associated with Navier-Stokes

We obtain:

$$\hat{U}(k, p) = \int_0^p \mathcal{K}_j(p, p'; k) \hat{H}_j(k, p') dp' + \hat{U}^{(0)}(k, p) \equiv \mathcal{N} [\hat{U}] (k, p) \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{K}_j(p, p'; k) = \frac{ik_j \pi}{z} \{z' Y_1(z') J_1(z) - z' Y_1(z) J_1(z')\}$$

$$z = 2|k| \sqrt{\nu p}, \quad z' = 2|k| \sqrt{\nu p'}, \quad \hat{H}_j = P_k \left\{ \hat{v}_{0,j} \hat{*} \hat{U} + \hat{U}_j \hat{*} \hat{v}_0 + \hat{U}_j \hat{*} \hat{U} \right\}$$

$$\hat{U}^{(0)}(k, p) = 2 \frac{J_1(z)}{z} \hat{v}_1(k), \quad P_k = \left(I - \frac{k(k \cdot)}{|k|^2} \right)$$

$$\hat{v}_1(k) = (-\nu |k|^2 \hat{v}_0 - ik_j \mathcal{P}_k [\hat{v}_{0,j} \hat{*} \hat{v}_0]) + \hat{f}(k),$$

$\hat{*}$, denotes Fourier Convolution, $*$ denotes Laplace convolution, while $\hat{*}$ denotes Fourier followed by Laplace convolution. J_1 and Y_1 are the usual Bessel functions.

Results for Integral equation and Navier-Stokes-1

Introduce norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mu,\beta}$ and $\|\cdot\|$ for $\mu > 3, \beta \geq 0$ so that

$$\|\hat{w}\|_{\mu,\beta} = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}^3} e^{\beta|k|} (1 + |k|)^\mu |\hat{w}(k)|$$

$$\|\hat{U}\| = \sup_{p > 0} e^{-\alpha p} (1 + p^2) \|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu,\beta}$$

Lemma 1: If $\|\hat{v}_0\|_{\mu+2,\beta}$ and $\|\hat{f}\|_{\mu,\beta}$ are finite, then an upper bound for α can be found in terms of \hat{v}_0 and \hat{f} so that the integral equation (1) has a unique solution for $p \in \mathbb{R}^+$ for which $\|\hat{U}\| < \infty$.

Theorem 1: Under same conditions as in Lemma 1, the 3-D Navier-Stokes has a unique solution for $\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{t} > \alpha$. Furthermore, $\hat{v}(\cdot, t)$ is analytic for $\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{t} > \alpha$ and $\|\hat{v}(\cdot, t)\|_{\mu+2,\beta} < \infty$ for $t \in [0, \alpha^{-1})$.

Theorem 2 deals with Borel Summability and the nature of the asymptotic expansion $\hat{v} \sim \hat{v}_0 + t\hat{v}_1..$ and will not be discussed.

Remarks on Theorem 1

Remark 1: Local existence results in Theorem 1 already known through classical methods. However, in the present formulation, global existence problem can be cast into a question of asymptotics of a known solution to integral equation. A sub-exponential growth as $p \rightarrow \infty$ gives global existence.

Remark 2: Errors in Numerical solutions rigorously controlled, unlike usual N-S calculations. Discretization in p and Galerkin approximation in k results in:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{U}_\delta(k, m\delta) &= \delta \sum_{m'=0}^m \mathcal{K}_{m,m'} \mathcal{P}_N \mathcal{H}_\delta(k, m'\delta) + \hat{U}^{(0)}(k, m\delta) \\ &\equiv \mathcal{N}_\delta \left[\hat{U}_\delta \right] \quad \text{for } k_j = -N, \dots, N, \quad j = 1, 2, 3\end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{P}_N is the Galerkin Projection into N -Fourier modes. \mathcal{N}_δ has properties similar to \mathcal{N} . The continuous solution \hat{U} satisfies $\hat{U} = \mathcal{N}_\delta \left[\hat{U} \right] + E$, where E is the truncation error. Thus, $\hat{U} - \hat{U}_\delta$ can be estimated using same tools as in Theorem 1.

Numerical Solutions to integral equation

We choose the Kida initial conditions and forcing

$$v_0(\mathbf{x}) = (v_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0), v_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0), v_3(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0))$$

$$v_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = v_2(x_3, x_1, x_2, 0) = v_3(x_2, x_3, x_1, 0)$$

$$v_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0) = \sin x_3 (\cos 3x_2 \cos x_3 - \cos x_2 \cos 3x_3)$$

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{5} v_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, 0)$$

High Degree of Symmetry makes computationally less expensive

Corresponding Euler problem believed to blow up in finite time;

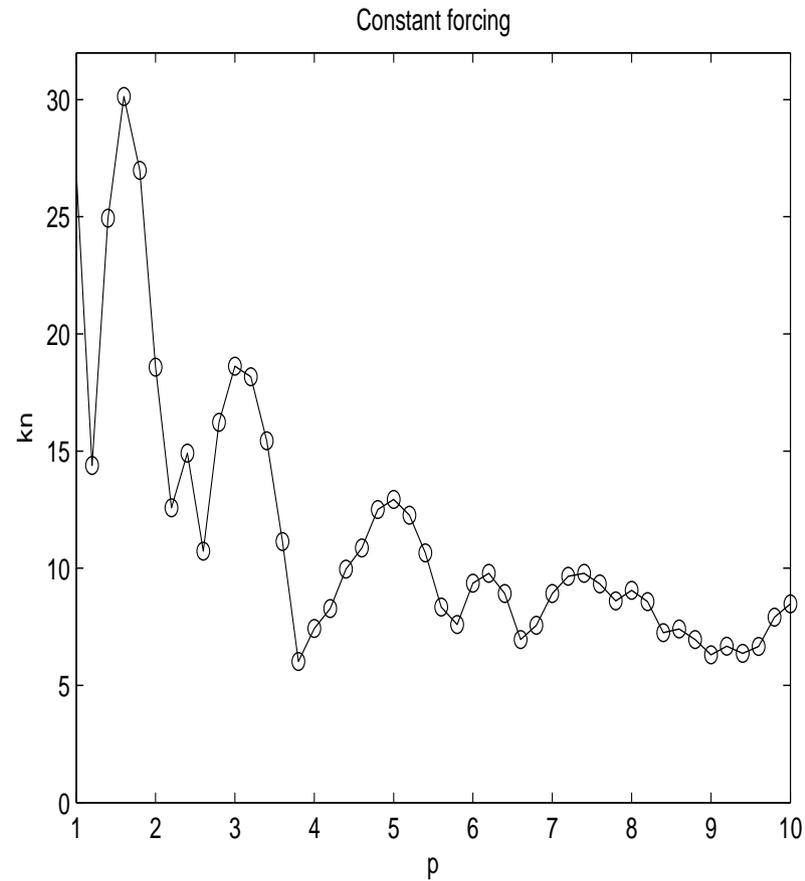
so good candidate to study viscous effects

In the plots, "constant forcing" corresponds to $f = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ as

above, while zero forcing refers to $f = 0$. Recall sub-exponential

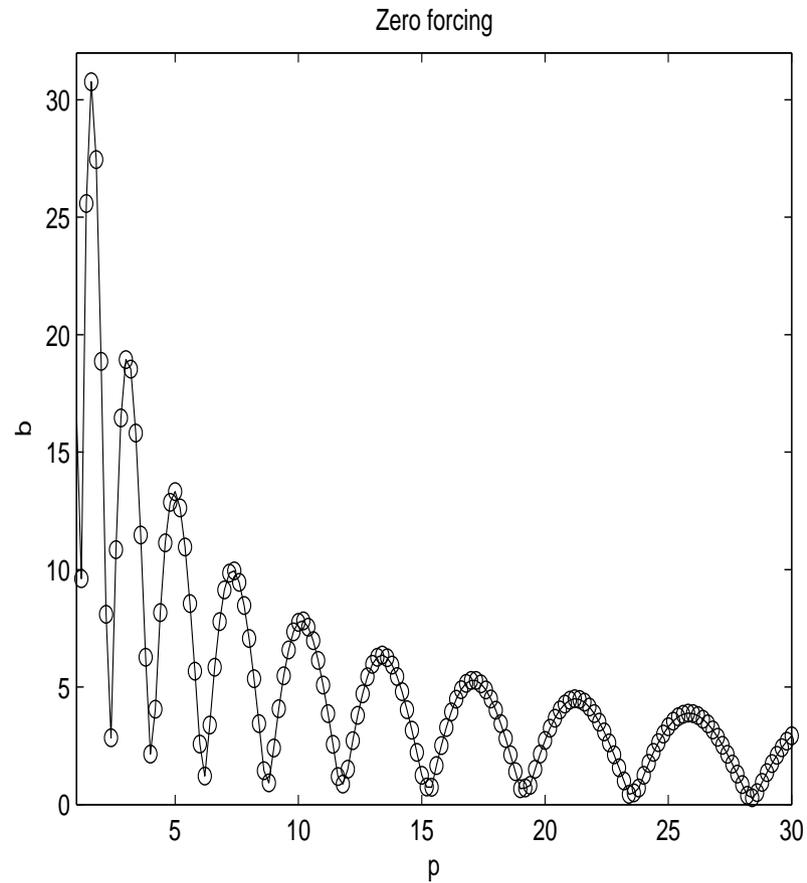
growth in p corresponds to global N-S solution.

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-1



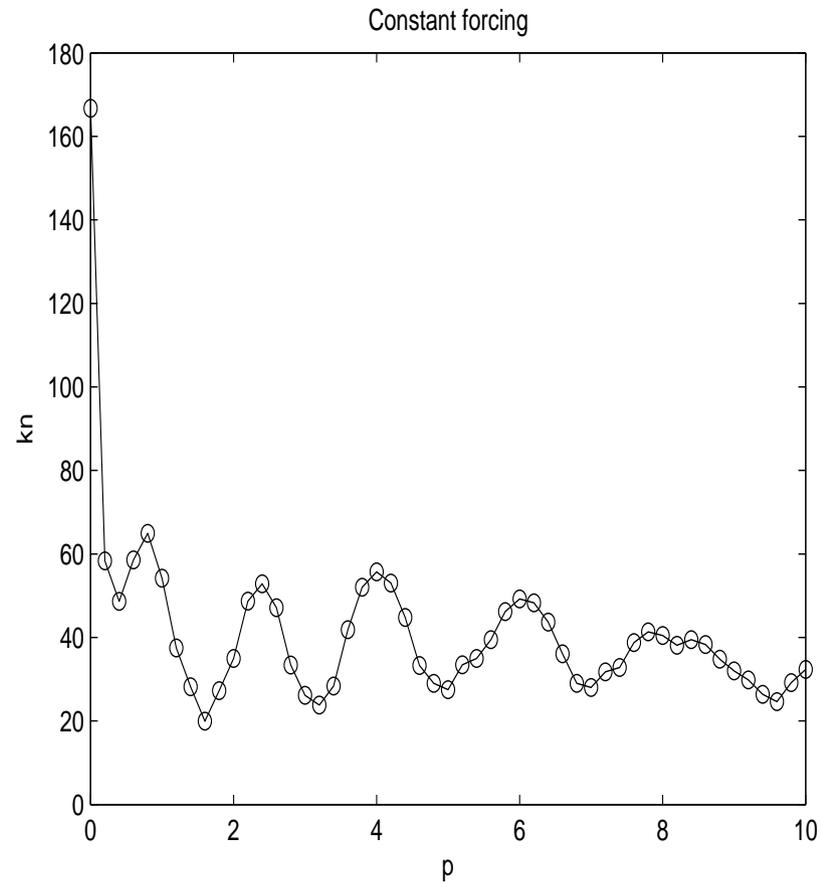
$\|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{4,0}$ vs. p for $\nu = 1$, constant forcing.

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-2



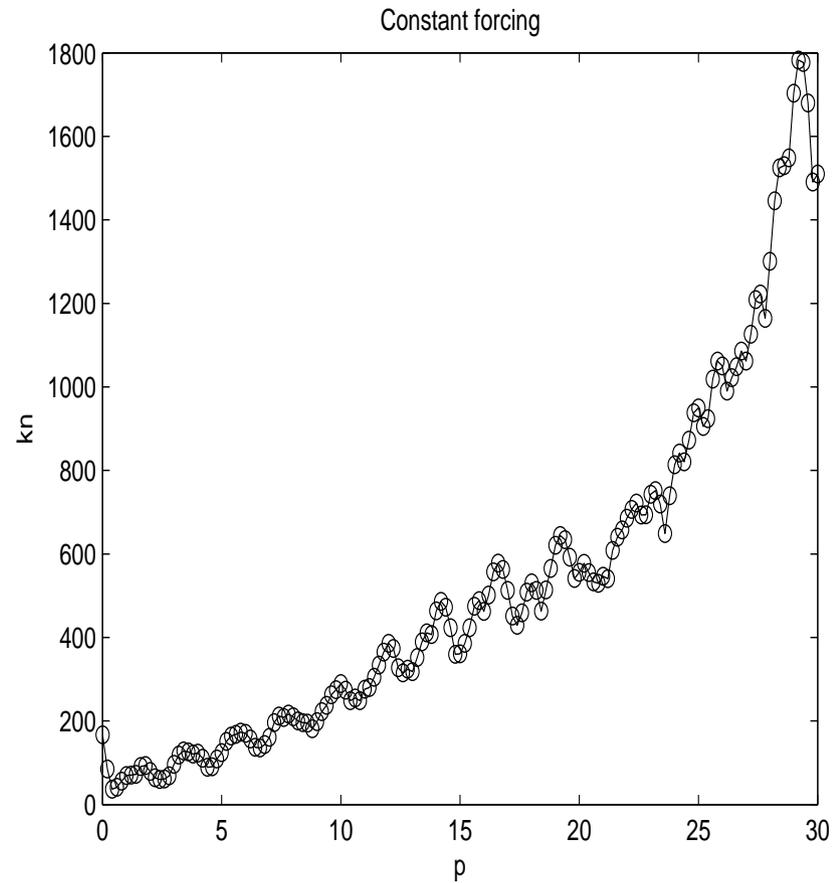
$\|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{4,0}$ vs. p for $\nu = 1$, no forcing

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-3



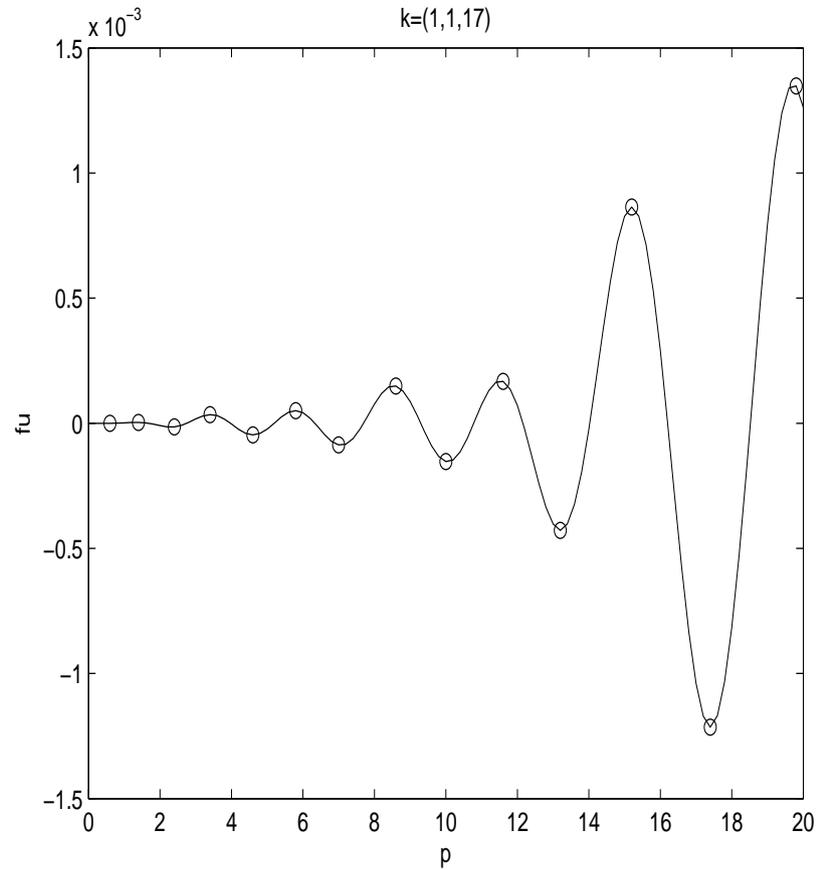
$\|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{4,0}$ vs. p for $\nu = 0.16$, constant forcing

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-4



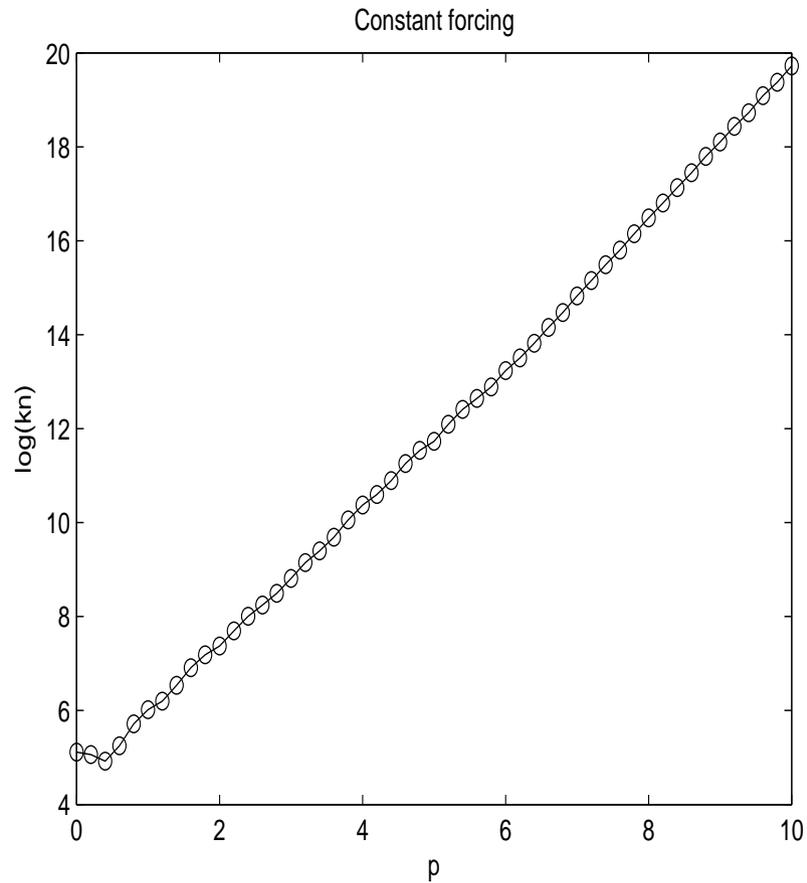
$\|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{4,0}$ vs. p for $\nu = 0.1$, constant forcing

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-5



$\hat{U}(k, p)$ vs. p for $k = (1, 1, 17)$, $\nu = 0.1$, no forcing.

Numerical solution to integral equation-plot-6



$\log \|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{4,0}$ vs. $\log p$ for $\nu = 0.001$, constant forcing

Issues raised by numerical computations

Numerical solutions to integral equation available on finite interval $[0, p_0]$, yet N-S solution requires $[0, \infty)$ interval since

$$\hat{v}(k, t) = \hat{v}_0 + \int_0^\infty e^{-p/t} \hat{U}(k, p) dp$$

Actually, the integral over $\int_0^{p_0}$ gives an approximate N-S solution, with errors that can be bounded for a time interval $[0, T]$, if computed solution to integral equation eventually decreases with p on a sufficiently large interval $[0, p_0]$.

Further, a non-increasing \hat{U} over a sufficiently large interval $[0, p_0]$ gives smaller bounds on growth rate α as $p \rightarrow \infty$.

Therefore, in such cases smooth NS solution exists over a long interval $[0, \alpha^{-1})$.

Recall for unforced problem in \mathbb{T}^3 , even weak solution to NS becomes smooth for $t > T_c$, with T_c estimated from initial data. Hence global existence follows under some conditions.

Extending Navier-Stokes interval of existence

For $\alpha_0 \geq 0$, define

$$\epsilon = \nu^{-1/2} p_0^{-1/2}, \quad a = \|\hat{v}_0\|_{\mu,\beta}, \quad c = \int_{p_0}^{\infty} \|\hat{U}^{(0)}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu,\beta} e^{-\alpha_0 p} dp$$

$$\epsilon_1 = \nu^{-1/2} p_0^{-1/2} \left(2 \int_0^{p_0} e^{-\alpha_0 s} \|\hat{U}(\cdot, s)\|_{\mu,\beta} ds + \|\hat{v}_0\|_{\mu,\beta} \right)$$

$$b = \frac{e^{-\alpha_0 p_0}}{\sqrt{\nu p_0} \alpha} \int_0^{p_0} \|\hat{U}^* \hat{U} + \hat{v}_0 \cdot \hat{U}\|_{\mu,\beta} ds$$

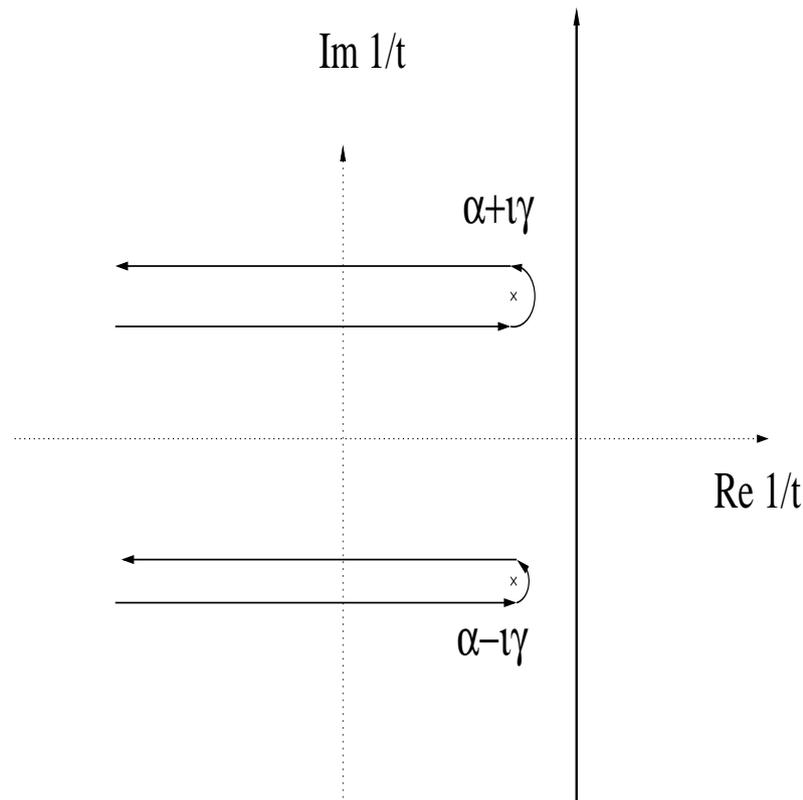
Theorem 3: A smooth solution to 3-D Navier-Stokes equation exists in the $\|\cdot\|_{\mu,\beta}$ space on the interval $[0, \alpha^{-1})$, when $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ is chosen to satisfy

$$\alpha > \epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon c + \sqrt{(\epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon c)^2 + 4b\epsilon} - \epsilon_1^2$$

Remark: If p_0 is chosen large enough, ϵ, ϵ_1 is small when computed solution in $[0, p_0]$ decays with q . Then α can be chosen rather small.

Relation of Optimal α to Navier-Stokes singularities

$$\hat{U}(k, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c_0 - i\infty}^{c_0 + i\infty} e^{p/t} [\hat{v}(k, t) - \hat{v}_0(k)] d \left[\frac{1}{t} \right]$$



Rightmost singularity(ies) of NS solution $\hat{v}(k, t)$ in the $1/t$ plane determines optimal α . γ gives dominant oscillation frequency.

Laplace-transform and accelerated representation

To get rid of the effect of complex singularity, it is prudent to seek a more general Laplace-transform involves

$$\hat{v}(k, t) = \hat{v}_0(k) + \int_0^\infty e^{-q/t^n} \hat{U}(k, q) dq$$

We have arguments to show for at least the unforced problem, if there are complex singularities t_s in the right-half plane, but not on the real axis, then a nonzero lower bound for $|\arg t_s|$ exists. Then, for sufficiently large n , no singularities in the $\tau = t^{-n}$ plane in the right-half plane. Hence, $\hat{U}(k, q)$ will not grow with q . $\hat{U}(k, q)$ satisfies an integral equation similar to the one satisfied by $\hat{U}(k, p)$ and Theorems similar to Theorem 1 follow. In the context of ODEs, change of variable $p \rightarrow q$ is called acceleration (Ecale)

Extending Navier-Stokes interval of existence

For $\alpha_0 \geq 0$, define

$$\epsilon_1 = \nu^{-1/2} q_0^{-1+1/(2n)}, \quad c = \int_{q_0}^{\infty} \|\hat{U}^{(0)}(\cdot, q)\|_{\mu, \beta} e^{-\alpha_0 q} dq$$

$$\epsilon_1 = \nu^{-1/2} q_0^{-1+1/(2n)} \left(2 \int_0^{q_0} e^{-\alpha_0 s} \|\hat{U}(\cdot, s)\|_{\mu, \beta} ds + \|\hat{v}_0\|_{\mu, \beta} \right)$$

$$b = \frac{e^{-\alpha_0 q_0}}{\sqrt{\nu} q_0^{1-1/(2n)} \alpha} \int_0^{q_0} \|\hat{U}_*^* \hat{U} + \hat{v}_0 \cdot \hat{U}\|_{\mu, \beta} ds$$

Theorem 4: A smooth solution to 3-D Navier-Stokes equation exists in the $\|\cdot\|_{\mu, \beta}$ space on the interval $[0, \alpha^{-1/n})$, when $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ is chosen to satisfy

$$\alpha > \epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon c + \sqrt{(\epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon c)^2 + 4b\epsilon - \epsilon_1^2}$$

Remark: If q_0 is chosen large enough, ϵ, ϵ_1 is small when computed solution in $[0, q_0]$ decays with q . Then α can be chosen rather small.

Conclusions

We have shown how Borel summation methods provides an alternate existence theory for N-S equation

With this integral equation (IE) approach, the global existence of NS is implied if known solution to IE has subexponential growth.

The solution to integral equation in a finite interval can be computed numerically with errors controlled rigorously

Integral equation in an accelerated variable q expected to show no exponential growth unless there is singularity on the real t -axis.

The computation over a finite $[0, q_0]$ interval, gives a better upper bound on growth rate exponent α at ∞ and hence ensures a longer existence time $[0, \alpha^{-1/n})$ to 3-D Navier-Stokes.

Unresolved issues include Rigorous control of round-off error and obtaining small enough bounds on truncation error for manageable step size.

Key points in the proof-I

Define norm : $\|\hat{f}(\mathbf{k}, p)\| = \sup_{p \geq 0} e^{-\alpha p} (1 + p^2) \|\hat{f}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu, \beta}$

Because of properties

$$\frac{e^{\alpha p}}{(1 + p^2)} * \frac{e^{\alpha p}}{(1 + p^2)} = e^{\alpha p} \int_0^p \frac{ds}{(1 + s^2)[1 + (p - s)^2]} \leq \frac{M_0 e^{\alpha p}}{1 + p^2}$$

$$\left[e^{-\beta|\mathbf{k}|} (1 + |\mathbf{k}|)^{-\mu} \right] \hat{*} \left[e^{-\beta|\mathbf{k}|} (1 + |\mathbf{k}|)^{-\mu} \right] \leq \frac{C_0(\mu) e^{-\beta|\mathbf{k}|}}{(1 + |\mathbf{k}|)^{-\mu}},$$

the following algebraic properties follow:

$$\|[\hat{f}(\mathbf{k}, p)] \hat{*} [\hat{g}(\mathbf{k})]\|_{\mu, \beta} \leq C_0 \|\hat{f}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu, \beta} \|\hat{g}\|_{\mu, \beta}$$

$$\|\hat{u} \hat{*} \hat{v}\| \leq M_0 C_0 \|\hat{u}\| \|\hat{v}\|, \quad \left\| \int_0^p |\hat{u}(\mathbf{k}, s)| ds \right\| \leq C \alpha^{-1} \|\hat{u}\|$$

Key points in the proof-II

From these relations, it is possible to conclude from the integral equation that if

$$u(p) \equiv \|\hat{U}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu, \beta} , \quad a = \|\hat{v}_0\|_{\mu, \beta} , \quad u^{(0)}(p) = \|\hat{U}^{(0)}(\cdot, p)\|_{\mu, \beta} ,$$

then

$$u(p) \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{\nu p}} \int_0^p [u * u + au](s) ds + u^{(0)}(p)$$