

On the relative relative energy method for the compressible Navier-Stokes system

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Part 2 : Towards numerical schemes and error estimates
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Compressible Navier-Stokes equations

We consider in $[0, T) \times \Omega$, $\Omega \subset R^3$ (a bounded Lipschitz domain) the following system of equations

Continuity equation

$$\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}_x(\varrho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

Momentum equation

$$\partial_t(\varrho \mathbf{u}) + \operatorname{div}_x(\varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \nabla_x p(\varrho) = \operatorname{div}_x \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x \mathbf{u}) \quad (2)$$

Boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{u} \Big|_{(0,T) \times \partial\Omega} = 0 \quad (3)$$

Initial conditions

$$\varrho(0, x) = \varrho_0(x), \quad \varrho \mathbf{u}(0, x) = \varrho_0 \mathbf{u}_0(x). \quad (4)$$

Viscous stress

$$\mathbb{S}(\nabla_x \mathbf{u}) = \mu \left(\nabla_x \mathbf{u} + (\nabla_x \mathbf{u})^T - \frac{2}{3} \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{u} \mathbb{I} \right) + \eta \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{u} \mathbb{I}, \quad (5)$$

Pressure 1 : monotonicity and regularity

$$p \in C[0, \infty) \cap C^2(0, \infty), \quad p'(\varrho) > 0 \quad (6)$$

Pressure 2 : growth at infinity

$$\lim_{\varrho \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p'(\varrho)}{\varrho^{\gamma-1}} = p_\infty > 0, \quad \gamma > \frac{3}{2} \quad (7)$$

Helmholtz function H

$$\varrho H'(\varrho) - H(\varrho) = p(\varrho), \quad H(\varrho) = \varrho \int_1^\varrho \frac{p(s)}{s^2} ds$$

Relative (potential) energy function E

$$E(\varrho, r) = H(\varrho) - H'(r)(\varrho - r) - H(r)$$

$$E(\varrho, r) \geq 0, \quad E(\varrho, r) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \varrho = r$$

Weak solutions

Functional spaces

$\varrho(t, x) \geq 0$ for a.a. $(t, x) \in (0, T) \times \Omega$, $\varrho \in L^\infty(0, T; L^\gamma(\Omega))$,
 $\varrho \mathbf{u} \in L^\infty(0, T; L^{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma+1}}(\Omega; R^3))$, $\varrho \mathbf{u}^2 \in L^\infty(0, T; L^1(\Omega))$,
 $\mathbf{u} \in L^2(0, T; W_0^{1,2}(\Omega; R^3))$.

Continuity equation

$\varrho \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^\gamma(\Omega))$ and equation (1) is replaced by the family of integral identities

$$\int_{\Omega} \varrho \varphi \, dx \Big|_0^\tau = \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \left(\varrho \partial_t \varphi + \varrho \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_x \varphi \right) \, dx \, dt \quad (8)$$

for all $\tau \in [0, T]$ and for any $\varphi \in C^1([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega})$;

Momentum equation

$\varrho \mathbf{u} \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma+1}}(\Omega; R^3))$ and momentum equation (2) is satisfied in the sense of distributions, specifically,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \varrho \mathbf{u} \cdot \varphi \, dx \Big|_0^\tau &= \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} (\varrho \mathbf{u} \cdot \partial_t \varphi + \varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u} : \nabla_x \varphi) \, dx dt \quad (9) \\ &\quad + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} (p(\varrho) \operatorname{div}_x \varphi - \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x \mathbf{u}) : \nabla_x \varphi) \, dx dt \end{aligned}$$

for all $\tau \in [0, T]$ and for any $\varphi \in C_c^1([0, T] \times \Omega; R^3)$;

Energy inequality

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho \mathbf{u}^2 + E(\varrho, \bar{\varrho}) \right) \, dx \Big|_0^\tau + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x \mathbf{u}) : \nabla_x \mathbf{u} \, dx dt \leq 0, \quad (10)$$

for a.a. $\tau \in (0, T)$, where $\bar{\varrho} > 0$.

Existence of weak solution

Finite energy initial data

$$0 \neq \varrho_0 \geq 0, \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \varrho_0 \mathbf{u}_0^2 + E(\varrho_0 | \bar{\varrho}) \, dx < \infty. \quad (11)$$

Weak solutions : Lions, 98 ($\gamma \geq \frac{9}{5}$), Feireisl, Petzeltova, N., 02 ($\gamma > \frac{3}{2}$)

Under assumptions on the initial data (11) and pressure (6), (7) with $\gamma > 3/2$, the compressible Navier-Stokes system (1–5) admits at least one weak solution.

Dissipative solutions

Relative entropy

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} \mid r, \mathbf{U}) = \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}|^2 + E(\varrho \mid r) \right) dx$$

Relative energy inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{E}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} \mid r, \mathbf{U})(\tau) + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U})) : \nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) dx dt \\ & \leq \mathcal{E}(\varrho_0, \mathbf{u}_0 \mid r(0), \mathbf{U}(0)) + \int_0^\tau \mathcal{R}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} \mid r, \mathbf{U}) dt \end{aligned}$$

where the remainder \mathcal{R} is given by the r.h.s. of formula (13) and the test functions are the same as in formula (13).

Relative entropy (relative energy) inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}|^2 + E(\varrho | r) \right) dx \Big|_0^\tau \\ & + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U})) : \nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) dx dt \\ & \leq \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} (\mathbb{S}(\nabla_x \mathbf{U}) : \nabla_x(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u})) dx dt \\ & + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \varrho (\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{U}) \cdot (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u}) dx dt \\ & \quad - \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} p(\varrho) \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{U} dx dt \\ & + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{r - \varrho}{r} \partial_t p(r) - \frac{\varrho}{r} \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_x p(r) \right) dx dt \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

for all

$$r \in C_c^1([0, T] \times \bar{\Omega}), \quad r > 0, \quad \mathbf{U} \in C_c^1([0, T] \times \Omega).$$

Existence of dissipative solutions

Dissipative solutions : Feireisl, Sun, N., 2011

Under assumptions on initial data (11) and pressure (6), (7) with $\gamma > 3/2$, the compressible Navier-Stokes system (1–5) admits at least one dissipative solution.

Weak solutions are dissipative : Feireisl, Jin, N., 2012

Under assumptions on initial data(11) and pressure (6), any weak solution of the compressible Navier-Stokes system (1–5) is a dissipative one.

Relative entropy with (r, U) strong solution of CNSE

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}|^2 + E(\varrho | r) \right) dx \Big|_0^\tau \\ & + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U})) : \nabla_x(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) dx dt \\ & \leq \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} (\varrho - r) \left(\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{U} \right) \cdot (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u}) dx dt \\ & \quad - \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \varrho (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{U} \cdot (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u}) dx dt \\ & - \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \left(p(\varrho) - p'(r)(\varrho - r) - p(r) \right) \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{U} dx dt \\ & + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \frac{r - \varrho}{r} (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) \cdot \nabla_x p(r) dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Weak strong uniqueness, stability Feireisl, Jin, N. 2012

Let the pressure be $C^2(0, \infty)$ function satisfying (6), (7) with $\gamma \geq \frac{3}{2}$.

Let (ϱ, \mathbf{u}) be a weak solution to the compressible Navier-Stokes equations (1-5) emanating from the initial data $(\varrho_0, \mathbf{u}_0)$, and let (r, \mathbf{U}) be a strong solution of the same system emanating from the initial data (r_0, \mathbf{U}_0) . Then there exists $c = c(\Omega, T, \|r^{-1}\|_{0,\infty}, \|r\|_{1,\infty}, \|\mathbf{U}\|_{1,\infty})$ such that

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} \mid r, \mathbf{U}) \leq c \mathcal{E}(\varrho_0, \mathbf{u}_0 \mid r_0, \mathbf{U}_0).$$

Some bibliographic remarks (non exhausting)

Relative entropy method was introduced to the fluid mechanics by [Dafermos](#) (90's) in the context of conservation laws. It was broadly used for the Boltzman equation ([Golse, Saint-Raymond, Ukai, ...](#)). Inequalities of this type were employed ad-hoc with specific test functions in the case of compressible Navier-Stokes equations for the investigation of low Mach-high Reynolds number limits ([Masmoudi, Jiang, Wang, ...](#)). Weak strong uniqueness is a challenging problem mentioned in [Lions](#) (98), tempted by [Desjardin](#), 2002 [Germain](#), 2008, who obtained conditional results. The notion of dissipative solutions has been introduced by [Lions](#) (98) for the incompressible euler equations, and weak-strong uniqueness in this case has been proved. Theorems on weak solutions, dissipative solutions, relative entropy inequality, weak-strong uniqueness, ... can be obtained also for the complete Navier-Stokes-Fourier system (describing heat conducting flows) in the conservation of energy formulated in terms of the balance of entropy, [Feireisl, N.](#), 2009,2012. Can be generalized to unbounded domains and other boundary conditions [Jeslé, Jin](#). Weak-strong uniqueness theorem can be viewed as an "compressible" counterpart of celebrated [Prodi-Serrin](#) conditions for incompressible Navier-Stokes equations.

Compressible Navier-Stokes equations on thin domains

We consider the barotropic Navier-Stokes system describing the motion of a compressible viscous fluid confined to a straight layer $\Omega_\varepsilon = \omega \times (0, \varepsilon)$, where ω is a particular 2-D domain (a periodic cell, bounded domain or the whole 2 – D space).

$$\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}(\varrho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega_\varepsilon, \quad (14)$$

$$\partial_t(\varrho \mathbf{u}) + \operatorname{div}(\varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \nabla p(\varrho) = \operatorname{div} \mathbb{S}(\nabla \mathbf{u}) \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega_\varepsilon. \quad (15)$$

Equations are completed with the initial conditions

$$\varrho(0, x) = \tilde{\varrho}_{0,\varepsilon}(x), \quad \mathbf{u}(0, x) = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{0,\varepsilon}(x), \quad x \in \Omega_\varepsilon \quad (16)$$

and boundary conditions that will be specified later.

Goal : investigate the limit process $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, provided the initial data $[\varrho_{0,\varepsilon}, \mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon}](x)$ converge in a certain sense to $[r_0, \mathbf{v}_0](x) = [\mathbf{v}_{0,h}, 0](x_h)$.

Will the sequence $[\varrho_\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon](t, x)$ of (weak) solutions converge to $[r, \mathbf{V}](t, x_h)$, $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{w}, 0]$, where the couple $[r(t, x_h), \mathbf{w}(t, x_h)]$ solves the 2 – D compressible Navier-Stokes equations on the domain ω :

$$\partial_t r + \operatorname{div}_h(r\mathbf{w}) = 0 \text{ in } (0, T) \times \omega, \quad (17)$$

$$r\partial_t \mathbf{w} + r\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla_h \mathbf{w} + \nabla_h p(r) = \operatorname{div}_h \mathbb{S}_h(\nabla_h \mathbf{w}) \text{ in } (0, T) \times \omega, \quad (18)$$

$$r(0, x_h) = r_0(x_h), \quad \mathbf{w}(0, x_h) = \mathbf{w}_0 := \mathbf{v}_{0,h}(x_h), \quad x_h \in \omega, \quad (19)$$

where

$$\mathbb{S}_h(\nabla_h \mathbf{w}) = \mu \left(\nabla_h \mathbf{w} + (\nabla_h \mathbf{w})^T - \operatorname{div}_h \mathbf{w} \right) + \left(\eta + \frac{\mu}{3} \right) \operatorname{div}_h \mathbf{w} \mathbb{I}_h,$$

Our goal is to justify the above (formal) limit in the framework of weak solutions of the *primitive system* (14), (15), (25).

Several geometrical situations :

- Periodic layers.
- Layers over bounded domains ω with no-slip conditions on $\partial\omega$.
- Layers over bounded domains with slip conditions.
- Some particular cases of unbounded layers.

Compressible Navier-Stokes system (14-25) on $\Omega_\varepsilon = \omega \times (0, \varepsilon)$,
where $\omega \subset R^2$ is a bounded domain.

$$\mathbf{u}|_{\partial\omega \times (0, \varepsilon)} = 0, \quad \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\omega \times \{0, \varepsilon\}} = 0, \quad [\mathbb{S}(\nabla \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{n}] \times \mathbf{n}|_{\omega \times \{0, \varepsilon\}} = 0. \quad (20)$$

Rescaling of the equations to a fixed domain.

$$\Omega_\varepsilon \ni (x_h, \varepsilon x_3) \mapsto (x_h, x_3) \in \Omega := \Omega_1, \quad \text{where } x_h = (x_1, x_2), \quad (21)$$

Here and hereafter, we denote

$$\nabla_\varepsilon = (\nabla_h, \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_{x_3}), \quad \nabla_h = (\partial_{x_1}, \partial_{x_2}),$$

$$\operatorname{div}_\varepsilon \mathbf{u} = \operatorname{div}_h \mathbf{v}_h + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_{x_3} v_3, \quad \mathbf{v}_h = (v_1, v_2), \quad \operatorname{div}_h \mathbf{v}_h = \partial_{x_1} v_1 + \partial_{x_2} v_2.$$

Denoting the new density and velocity again by ϱ , \mathbf{u} , we may rewrite system (14–25) as follows :

$$\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}_\varepsilon(\varrho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega, \quad (22)$$

$$\partial_t(\varrho \mathbf{u}) + \operatorname{div}_\varepsilon(\varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \nabla_\varepsilon p(\varrho) = \operatorname{div}_\varepsilon \mathbb{S}(\nabla_\varepsilon \mathbf{u}) \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega, \quad (23)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{u}|_{\partial\omega \times (0,1)} = 0, \quad \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\omega \times \{0,1\}} = 0, \quad [\mathbb{S}(\nabla \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{n}] \times \mathbf{n}|_{\omega \times \{0,1\}} = 0. \quad (24)$$

$$\varrho(0, x) = \varrho_{0,\varepsilon}(x) \quad \mathbf{u}(0, x) = \mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon}(x), \quad x \in \Omega \quad (25)$$

(where $\varrho_{0,\varepsilon}(x) = \tilde{\varrho}_{0,\varepsilon}(x_h, \varepsilon x_3)$, $\mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon}(x) = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{0,\varepsilon}(x_h, \varepsilon x_3)$, cf. (??)).

Definition

We say that $[\varrho, \mathbf{u}]$ is a finite energy weak solution to the compressible Navier-Stokes (14 - 15) with initial conditions (25) and boundary conditions (24) in the space time cylinder $(0, T) \times \Omega$ if the following holds :

- the functions $[\varrho, \mathbf{u}]$ belong to the regularity class

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varrho \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^\gamma(\Omega)), \quad \varrho \geq 0 \text{ a.a. in } (0, T) \times \Omega, \quad \gamma > \frac{3}{2}, \\ \mathbf{u} \in L^2(0, T; W_{\mathbf{n}}^{1,2}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^3)), \quad \varrho \mathbf{u}^2 \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^1(\Omega)); \end{array} \right\} \quad (26)$$

- $\varrho \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^\gamma(\Omega))$ and the continuity equation (14) is satisfied in the weak sense,

$$\int_{\Omega} \varrho \varphi \, dx(\tau) - \int_{\Omega} \varrho_{\varepsilon, 0} \varphi(0, \cdot) \, dx = \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \varrho \left(\partial_t \varphi + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_{\varepsilon} \varphi \right) \, dx \, dt. \quad (27)$$

for all $\tau \in [0, T]$ and any test function $\varphi \in C_c^\infty([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega})$;

Definition

- $\varrho \mathbf{u} \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^{2\gamma/(\gamma+1)}(\Omega))$ and the momentum equation (15) holds in the sense that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \varrho \mathbf{u} \cdot \varphi \, dx(\tau) - \int_{\Omega} \varrho_{\varepsilon,0} \mathbf{u}_{\varepsilon,0} \varphi(0, \cdot) \, dx \\ &= \int_0^T \int_{\Omega} \left(\varrho \partial_t \varphi + \varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u} : \nabla_{\varepsilon} \varphi + p(\varrho_{\varepsilon}) \operatorname{div}_{\varepsilon} \varphi \right) dx \, dt \\ & \quad - \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_{\varepsilon} \mathbf{u}) : \nabla_{\varepsilon} \varphi \, dx \, dt \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

for all $\tau \in [0, T]$ and for any $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{R}^3)$, $\varphi_3|_{\omega \times \{0,1\}} = 0$;

- the energy inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \left[\frac{1}{2} \varrho |\mathbf{u}|^2 + H(\varrho) \right] (\tau) \, dx + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{S}(\nabla_{\varepsilon} \mathbf{u}) : \nabla_{\varepsilon} \mathbf{u} \, dx \, dt \\ & \leq \int_{\Omega} \left[\frac{1}{2} \varrho_{0,\varepsilon} |\mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon}|^2 + H(\varrho_{0,\varepsilon}) \right] \, dx \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

holds for a.a. $\tau \in (0, T)$

Existence of weak solutions

There exists weak solutions for the above problem with \mathbb{S} , p and $[\varrho_{\varepsilon,0}, \mathbf{u}_{\varepsilon,0}]$ verifying assumptions (11), (6), provided the domain ω is Lipschitz. Moreover, any weak solution satisfies below relative entropy inequality (30) with the remainder (31),

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} | r, \mathbf{U})(\tau) + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \left(\mathbb{S}(\nabla_\varepsilon(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U})) : \nabla_\varepsilon(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}) \right) dx dt \quad (30)$$

$$\mathcal{R}(\varrho, \mathbf{u}, r, \mathbf{U}) := \int_\Omega \varrho \left(\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_\varepsilon \mathbf{U} \right) \cdot (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u}) dx \quad (31)$$

$$+ \int_\Omega \mathbb{S}(\nabla_\varepsilon \mathbf{U}) : \nabla_\varepsilon(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{u}) dx$$

$$+ \int_\Omega ((r - \varrho) \partial_t H'(r) + \nabla_\varepsilon H'(r) \cdot (r \mathbf{U} - \varrho \mathbf{u})) dx - \int_\Omega \operatorname{div}_\varepsilon \mathbf{U} (p(\varrho) - p(r)) dx,$$

where the test functions satisfy

$$r \in C^1([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega}), \quad r > 0 \quad (32)$$

$$\mathbf{U} \in C^1([0, T] \times \overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{R}^3), \quad \mathbf{U}|_{\partial\omega \times (0,1)} = 0, \quad U_3|_{\omega \times \{0,1\}} = 0.$$



Target system and the main result

The expected target system is system (17–19) endowed with the no slip boundary conditions :

$$\mathbf{w}|_{\partial\omega} = 0. \quad (33)$$

Target system [Valli, Zajaczkowski](#)

Let D be a positive constant. Suppose that $p \in C^2(0, \infty)$, $\partial\omega \in C^3$ and that

$$r_0 \in W^{2,2}(\omega), \inf_{\omega} r_0 > 0, \mathbf{w}_0 \in W^{3,2}(\omega; \mathbb{R}^2), \quad (34)$$

$$\frac{1}{r_0} \left(\nabla_h p(r_0) - \operatorname{div}_h \mathbb{S}_h(\nabla_h \mathbf{w}_0) + r_0 \mathbf{w}_0 \cdot \nabla_h \mathbf{w}_0 \right) \Big|_{\partial\omega} = 0. \quad (35)$$

Target system

Then there exists $T = T_{\max}(D)$ such that if

$$\|r_0\|_{W^{2,2}(\omega)} + \|\mathbf{w}_0\|_{W^{3,2}(\omega; R^2)} + 1/\inf_{\omega} r_0 \leq D,$$

then the problem (17–19), (33) admits a unique strong solution (in the sense a.e. in $(0, T) \times \omega$) in the class (36), (37).

$$r \in C([0, T); W^{2,2}(\omega)), \quad \mathbf{w} \in C([0, T); W^{2,2}(\omega; R^2)) \cap L^2(0, T; W^{3,2}(\omega; R^2)) \quad (36)$$

$$\partial_t r \in C([0, T); W^{1,2}(\omega)), \quad \partial_t \mathbf{w} \in L^2(0, T; W^{2,2}(\omega; R^2)).$$

In particular,

$$0 < \underline{r} \equiv \inf_{(t,x_h) \in (0,T) \times \omega} r(t, x_h) \leq \sup_{(t,x_h) \in (0,T) \times \omega} r(t, x_h) \equiv \bar{r}. \quad (37)$$

Main result

Let $\partial\omega \in C^3$, p satisfies hypotheses (6), r_0, \mathbf{w}_0 satisfy assumptions (34), (35) and let $T_{\max} > 0$ be the life time of the strong solution to problem (17–19), (33) corresponding to $[r_0, \mathbf{w}_0]$.

Let $[\varrho_\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon]$ be a sequence of weak solutions to the $3 - D$ compressible Navier Stokes equations (14-25), (24) emanating from the initial data $[\varrho_{0,\varepsilon}, \mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon}]$. Suppose that initial data satisfy

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho_{0,\varepsilon}, \mathbf{u}_{0,\varepsilon} \mid r_0, \mathbf{V}_0) \rightarrow 0, \quad (38)$$

where $\mathbf{V}_0 = [\mathbf{w}_0, 0]$.

Then

$$\text{esssup}_{t \in (0, T_{\max})} \mathcal{E}(\varrho_\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \mid r, \mathbf{V}) \rightarrow 0, \quad (39)$$

where $\mathbf{V}(t, x) = [\mathbf{w}(t, x_h), 0]$ and where the couple (r, \mathbf{w}) satsifies the $2 - D$ compressible Navier-Stokes system (17–19) with the boundary conditions (33) on the time interval $[0, T_{\max}]$.

Corollary

$\varrho_\varepsilon \rightarrow r$ **strongly in** $L^\infty(0, T; L^\gamma(\Omega))$,

$\sqrt{\varrho_\varepsilon} \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \rightarrow \sqrt{r} \mathbf{V}$ **strongly in** $L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega; R^3))$,

$\varrho_\varepsilon \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \rightarrow r \mathbf{V}$ **strongly in** $L^\infty(0, T; L^{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma+1}}(\Omega; R^3))$.

Main ideas of the proof

-Estimate the left hand side of the relative entropy inequality (30) with test functions $[r, \mathbf{V}]$, $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{w}, 0]$ from below by

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho, \mathbf{u} \mid r, \mathbf{V})(\tau) + c \int_0^\tau \|\mathbf{u}_{\varepsilon h} - \mathbf{V}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; R^2)}^2 dt - c' \int_0^\tau \mathcal{E}(\varrho_\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \mid r, \mathbf{V}) dt \quad (40)$$

-Estimate the right hand side from above by

$$h_\varepsilon(\tau) + \delta \int_0^\tau \|\mathbf{u}_{\varepsilon h} - \mathbf{V}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 dt + c'(\delta) \int_0^\tau a(t) \mathcal{E}(\varrho_\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \mid r, \mathbf{V}) dt \quad (41)$$

with any $\delta > 0$, where $c > 0$ is independent of δ , $c' = c'(\delta) > 0$,
 $a \in L^1(0, T)$ and

$$h_\varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } L^\infty(0, T).$$

Approximating system

$$\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}(\varrho \mathbf{u}) - \varepsilon \Delta \varrho = 0,$$

$$\partial_n \varrho|_{\partial\Omega} = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t(\varrho \mathbf{u}) + \operatorname{div}(\varrho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \nabla_x(p(\varrho) + \delta \varrho^4) + \varepsilon \nabla_x \varrho \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{u} \\ = \mu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \left(\frac{\mu}{3} + \eta \right) \nabla_x \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Weak solutions are obtained letting first $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ and then $\delta \rightarrow 0$. This is not exploitable in the numerics !

Finite element/finite volume set-up [Gallouet, Herbin, Eymard, Latché, ...](#), since 2009, [Karlsen, Karper](#), since 2010

Convergence proof to the weak equations in the steady Stokes equations (GHEL), weak solutions to the compressible Stokes (KK, GHEL) and Navier-Stokes equations (KK) of several types of numerical schemes, always with limitation $\gamma > 3$. No error estimates are available for the investigated schemes.

Notations

$K \in \mathcal{T}$ - regular partition of Ω into tetrahedrals of size h .

$\sigma = K|L \in \mathcal{E}$ - set of sides of tetrahedrals.

$0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n < \dots < T$ - time discretisation of step Δt .

$\varrho(t_n, x) \approx \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \varrho_K^n 1_K(x) \in L_h$ - space of piecewise constants.

$\mathbf{u}(t_n, x) \approx \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}} u_{i,\sigma}^n \phi_\sigma(x) e_i \in W_h = V_h^3$ - the Crouzeix-Raviart finite element space.

Upwind :

$$\varrho_\sigma^{\text{up}} = \begin{cases} \varrho_K & \text{if } \mathbf{u}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_K > 0 \\ \varrho_L & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad \text{where } \sigma = K|L.$$

Mean values :

$$\hat{V}_K = \frac{1}{|K|} \int_K V \mathrm{d}x, \quad \hat{V}_\sigma = \frac{1}{|\sigma|} \int_\sigma V \mathrm{d}S$$

Projections

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$$\Pi_h^V : W^{1,p}(\Omega) \rightarrow V_h, \quad \Pi_h^V(U) \equiv U_h \equiv \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}} \hat{U}_\sigma \phi_\sigma$$

$$\Pi_h^L : L^p(\Omega) \rightarrow L_h, \quad \Pi_h^L(r) \equiv r_h \equiv \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \hat{r}_K 1_K$$

Estimates involving projections

Let $s = 1, 2, 1 \leq p \leq \infty$. There exists $c > 0$ independent of h such that for all $K \in \mathcal{T}$:

$$\forall r \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|r_h - r\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch \|\nabla_x r\|_{L^p(K)},$$

$$\forall U \in W^{s,p}(K), \quad \|U_h - U\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch^s \|\nabla_x^s U\|_{L^p(K)}$$

$$\forall U \in W^{s,p}(K), \quad \|\nabla_x U_h - \nabla_x U\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch^{s-1} \|\nabla_x^s U\|_{L^p(K)}.$$

Some auxiliary estimates

Poincaré type inequalities

Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. There exists $c > 0$ independent of h such that for all $K \in \mathcal{T}$:

$$\forall U \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|U_h - \hat{U}_{h,K}\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch\|\nabla_x U_h\|_{L^p(K)},$$

$$\forall U \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|U - \hat{U}_K\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch\|\nabla_x U\|_{L^p(K)}$$

$$\forall U \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|U_h - \hat{U}_\sigma\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch\|\nabla_x U\|_{L^p(K)}.$$

Sobolev type inequalities

Let $2 \leq p \leq 6$. There exists $c > 0$ independent of h such that for all $K \in \mathcal{T}$:

$$\forall U \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|U - \hat{U}_K\|_{L^p(K)} \leq ch^{\frac{3}{p} - \frac{1}{2}}\|\nabla_x V\|_{L^2(K)},$$

$$\forall U \in W^{1,p}(K), \quad \|U - \hat{U}_\sigma\|_{L^p(K)} \leq h^{\frac{3}{p} - \frac{1}{2}}\|\nabla_x U\|_{L^p(K)}$$

Numerical scheme

$$\begin{aligned} & |K| \frac{\varrho_K^n - \varrho_K^{n-1}}{\Delta t} + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \mathbf{u}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_K = 0, \\ & \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} |K| \frac{\varrho_K^n \hat{u}_{i,K}^n - \varrho_K^{n-1} \hat{u}_{i,K}^{n-1}}{\Delta t} \hat{\phi}_{\sigma',K} + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \hat{u}_{i,K,\sigma}^{n,\text{up}} \mathbf{u}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_K \hat{\phi}_{\sigma',K} dS \\ & \quad - \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| p(\varrho_K^n) n_{i,K} \delta_{\sigma,\sigma'} \\ & + \mu \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \int_K \nabla_x \mathbf{u}^n : (\nabla_x \phi_{\sigma'} \otimes \mathbf{e}_i) dx + \left(\frac{\mu}{3} + \eta \right) \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \int_K \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}^n : \partial_i \phi_{\sigma'} dx = 0, \\ & \sigma' \in \mathcal{E}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \\ & \mathbf{u}_\sigma = 0 \quad \text{if } \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_{\text{ext}}. \end{aligned}$$

This a non linear algebraic equation. Existence of a solution

$$(\varrho_K > 0, u_{i,\sigma})_{K \in \mathcal{T}, \sigma \in \mathcal{E}, i=1,2,3}$$

follows from the topological degree fixed point theory.

Energy inequality - continuous case

"Continuous" energy inequality

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \varrho \mathbf{u}^2 dx \Big|_0^\tau + \int_0^\tau \int_{\Omega} \mu |\nabla_x \mathbf{u}|^2 dx dt \leq 0$$

Energy inequality - discrete case

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_K \frac{1}{2} \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \left(\varrho_K^n |\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n|^2 - \varrho_K^{n-1} |\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^{n-1}|^2 \right) + \sum_K \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \left(H(\varrho_K^n) - H(\varrho_K^{n-1}) \right) \\ & + \sum_K \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \varrho_K^{n-1} \frac{|\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^{n-1}|^2}{2} + \sum_K \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} H''(\varrho_K^{n-1,n}) \frac{|\varrho_K^n - \varrho_K^{n-1}|^2}{2} \\ & + \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} \frac{1}{4} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_L^n)^2 |\mathbf{u}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}| \\ & + \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} \frac{1}{4} |\sigma| H''(\varrho_{KL}^n) \left(\varrho_K^n - \varrho_L^n \right)^2 |\mathbf{u}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}| \\ & + \sum_K \left(\mu \int_K |\nabla_x \mathbf{u}|^2 dx + \left(\frac{\mu}{3} + \eta \right) \int_K |\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}|^2 dx \right) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Discrete relative energy

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_K \frac{1}{2} \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \left(\varrho_K^n |\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n|^2 - \varrho_K^{n-1} |\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^{n-1} - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^{n-1}|^2 \right) \\ & + \sum_K \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \left(E(\varrho_K^n | \hat{r}_K^n) - E(\varrho_K^{n-1} | \hat{r}_K^{n-1}) \right) \\ & + \sum_K \left(\mu \int_K |\nabla_x (\mathbf{u}^n - \mathbf{U}_h^n)|^2 dx + \left(\frac{\mu}{3} + \eta \right) \int_K |\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u}^n - \mathbf{U}_h^n)|^2 dx \right) \\ & \preceq \sum_K \left(\mu \int_K \nabla_x \mathbf{U}_h : \nabla_x (\mathbf{U}_h - \mathbf{u}) dx + \left(\frac{\mu}{3} + \eta \right) \int_K \operatorname{div} \mathbf{U}_h \operatorname{div} (\mathbf{U}_h - \mathbf{u}) dx \right) \\ & + \sum_K \frac{|K|}{\Delta t} \left(\varrho_K^{n-1} (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^{n-1} - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{h,K}^{n-1}) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^{n-1}) + (\hat{r}_K^n - \varrho_K) (H'(\hat{r}_K^n) - H'(\hat{r}_K^{n-1})) \right) \\ & \quad + \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,\sigma}^{n,\text{up}} - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \\ & \quad - \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| p(\varrho_K) (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,\sigma}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) - \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} H'(\hat{r}_K^n) (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \end{aligned}$$

Formulation of the error estimates

Discrete relative energy functional

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho^n, \mathbf{u}^n | r, U) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{1}{2} \varrho_K^n (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n)^2 + E(\varrho_K^n | \hat{r}_K^n)$$

Example of an error estimate

Let e.g. $p(\varrho) = \varrho^\gamma$ and $\gamma > 3/2$. Let (r, \mathbf{U}) be a strong solution of the compressible Navier-Stokes equations emanating from the finite energy initial data (r_0, \mathbf{U}_0) . Let (ϱ, \mathbf{u}) be the KK approximation of the compressible Navier system emanating from the initial data $(\varrho_0 | \mathbf{u}_0)$. Then there exists $c > 0$ independent of $h, \Delta t, \varrho, \mathbf{u}$, such that

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho^n, \mathbf{u}^n | r, U) \leq c \left(\mathcal{E}(\varrho_0, \mathbf{u}_0 | r_0, \mathbf{U}_0) + h^\alpha + \Delta t \right),$$

where

$$\alpha = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{2\gamma-3}{2} & \text{if } 3/2 < \gamma < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } \gamma \geq 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Sketch of the proof : Treatment of the Red term

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,\sigma}^{n,\text{up}} - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \\ & \approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,\sigma}^{n,\text{up}} - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \\ & \approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_\sigma^{n,\text{up}} \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \\ & \approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_K^n \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) (\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}) \\ & \approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_K^n \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) \left(\mathbf{u}_\sigma^n - \mathbf{U}_\sigma^n \right) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K} \\ & \quad + \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_K^n \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) \mathbf{U}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \varrho_K^n \left(\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}^n - \hat{\mathbf{u}}_K^n \right) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} - \mathbf{U}_\sigma) \mathbf{U}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K}$$

$$\sum_K \int_K r \partial_t \mathbf{U} \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}_h) + \sum_K \int_K r \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}_h) + \dots = \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_K \int_K r \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{U}_h) &\approx \sum_K \int_K \hat{r}_K \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \\ &\approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} \int_\sigma \hat{r}_K \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K} (\mathbf{U} - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \\ &\approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \hat{r}_K \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K} (\mathbf{U}_\sigma - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \\ &\approx \sum_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} |\sigma| \hat{r}_K (\mathbf{U}_\sigma - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K - \hat{\mathbf{U}}_{h,K}) \hat{\mathbf{U}}_\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\sigma,K} \end{aligned}$$