

# An Asymptotic Solution for the Navier-Stokes Equation

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We have used as the velocity field of a fluid the functional form derived in Casuso (2007), obtained by studying the origin of turbulence as a consequence of a new description of the density distribution of matter as a modified discontinuous Dirichlet integral. As an interesting result we have found that this functional form for velocities is a solution to the Navier-Stokes equation when considering asymptotic behaviour, i.e. for large values of time.

## 1 Introduction

The Euler and Navier-Stokes equations describe the motion of a fluid. These equations are to be solved for an unknown velocity vector  $\vec{u}(\vec{r}, t)$  and pressure  $P(\vec{r}, t)$ , defined for position  $\vec{r}$  and time  $t \geq 0$ . We restrict attention here to incompressible fluids filling all real space. Then the Navier-Stokes equations are: a) Newton's law  $\vec{f} = m\vec{a}$  for a fluid element subject to the external force  $\vec{g}$  (gravity) and to the forces arising from pressure and friction, and b) The condition of incompressibility. A fundamental problem in the analysis is to find any physically reasonable solution for the Navier-Stokes equation, and indeed to show that such a solution exists. Many numerical computations appear to exhibit blowup for solutions of the Euler equations (the same as Navier-Stokes equations but for zero viscosity), but the extreme numerical instability of the equations makes it very hard to draw reliable conclusions (see Bertozzi and Majda 2002 [1]). Important progress has been made in understanding weak solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations (Leray 1934 [2], Khon and Nirenberg 1982 [3], Scheffer 1993 [4], Schnirelman 1997 [5], Caffarelli and Lin 1998 [6]). This type of solutions means that one integrates the equation against a test function, and then integrates by parts to make the derivatives fall on the test function. In the present paper we test directly the validity of a solution which was obtained previously from the study of turbulence.

## 2 Demonstration of validity of the asymptotic solution

We start from the Navier-Stokes equation for one-dimension:

$$\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial t} + u_x \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + g, \quad (1)$$

where  $\nu$  is a positive coefficient (viscosity) and  $g$  means a nearly constant gravitational force per unit mass (an externally applied force).

Taking from Casuso, 2007 [7], the functional form derived for the velocity of a fluid

$$u_x = - \sum_k \frac{\sin(x_k t)}{it^2} e^{it(x+k)} + \text{const}, \quad (2)$$

where  $-x_k \leq x + k \leq x_k$ ,  $k$  describe the central positions of real matter structures such as atomic nuclei and  $x_k$  means the size of these structures. Assuming a polytropic relation between pressure  $P$  and density  $\rho$  via the sound speed  $s$  we have:

$$P = s^2 \rho = \frac{s^2}{\pi} \sum_k \int \frac{\sin(x_k t)}{t} e^{it(x+k)} dt. \quad (3)$$

Putting equations (2) and (3) into equation (1) we obtain:

$$A + B = C + g, \quad (4)$$

where

$$A = - \sum_k \left[ \frac{\cos(x_k t)}{it^2} x_k + \frac{(x+k)}{t^2} \sin(x_k t) + 2 \frac{\sin(x_k t)}{t^3} \right] e^{it(x+k)}, \quad (5)$$

$$B = \left[ - \sum_k \frac{\sin(x_k t)}{it^2} e^{it(x+k)} + \text{const} \right] \times \left[ - \sum_k \frac{\sin(x_k t)}{t} e^{it(x+k)} \right], \quad (6)$$

$$C = \nu \left[ - \sum_k i \sin(x_k t) e^{it(x+k)} \right] - \frac{is^2}{\pi} \sum_k \int \sin(x_k t) e^{it(x+k)} dt. \quad (7)$$

Now taking the asymptotic approximation, at very large time  $t$ , we obtain

$$\nu \sin(x_k t) e^{it(x+k)} = - \frac{s^2}{\pi} \int \sin(x_k t) e^{it(x+k)} dt + g, \quad (8)$$

and differentiating and taking only the real part, we have

$$x_k \cos(x_k t) = - \frac{s^2}{\pi \nu} \sin(x_k t), \quad (9)$$

which is the same as

$$- \frac{x_k \pi \nu}{s^2} = \tan(x_k t) \quad (10)$$

then, in the limiting case (real case)  $x_k \rightarrow 0$  and, again at very

large time  $t$ , we have the solutions

$$x_k t = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots, n\pi \quad (11)$$

with  $n$  being any integer number. So we have demonstrated that the equation (2) is a solution for the Navier-Stokes equation in one dimension.

Now, for the general case of 3-dimensions we have to generalize the functional form which describes the nature of matter in Casuso, 2007 [7], in the sense of taking a new form for the density

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_k \int \frac{\sin(r_k t)}{t} e^{it(r+k)} dt, \quad (12)$$

where  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ , and applying the continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho u_x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho u_y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho u_z). \quad (13)$$

Using the condition of incompressibility included in Navier-Stokes equations

$$\text{div} \vec{u} = 0 \quad (14)$$

and assuming isotropy for the velocity field  $u_x \simeq u_y \simeq u_z$ , we have

$$u_x = u_y = u_z = -\frac{r}{\pi(x+y+z)} \times \sum_k \frac{\sin(r_k t)}{it^2} e^{it(r+k)} + \text{const}, \quad (15)$$

where  $-r_k \leq r+k \leq r_k$ . Including this expression for the velocity in the 3-dimensional Navier-Stokes main equation (taking into account the condition  $\text{div} \vec{u} = 0$ )

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u_x = \nu \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] u_x - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + g, \quad (16)$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{r}{\pi(x+y+z)} \sum_k e^{it(r+k)} \times \\ & \times \left[ \frac{r_k \cos(r_k t)}{it^2} + \frac{(r+k) \sin(r_k t)}{t^2} - \frac{2 \sin(r_k t)}{it^3} \right] = \\ & = \nu \Delta u_x - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + g, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where  $\Delta$  means  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$ . Again taking the approximation of very large time, we have

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = g, \quad (18)$$

i.e.

$$i \frac{s^2 x}{\pi r} \sum_k \int \sin(r_k t) e^{it(r+k)} dt = g. \quad (19)$$

Taking the partial derivative with respect to time we obtain

$$i \frac{s^2 x}{\pi r} \sum_k \sin(r_k t) e^{it(r+k)} = 0 \quad (20)$$

or (which is the same),

$$e^{it(r+k)} \sin(r_k t) = 0, \quad (21)$$

i.e.

$$(\cos[(r+k)t] - i \sin[(r+k)t]) \sin(r_k t) = 0. \quad (22)$$

Taking only the real part

$$\sin(r_k t) \cos[(r+k)t] = 0. \quad (23)$$

So, we have two solutions: (a)  $r_k t = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots, n\pi$ , and (b)  $(r+k)t = \frac{\pi}{2}, 3\frac{\pi}{2}, \dots, (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$ . We must note that the solution (a) is similar to the 1-dimension solution.

### 3 Conclusions

By using a new discontinuous functional form for matter density distribution, derived from consideration of the origin of turbulence, we have found an asymptotic solution to the Navier-Stokes equation for the three dimensional case. This result, while of intrinsic interest, may point towards new ways of deriving a general solution.

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