## NON BLOW-UP OF THE 3D EULER EQUATIONS FOR A CLASS OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL INITIAL DATA IN CYLINDRICAL DOMAINS\*

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Abstract. Non blow-up of the 3D incompressible Euler Equations is proven for a class of three-dimensional initial data characterized by uniformly large vorticity in bounded cylindrical domains. There are no conditional assumptions on the properties of solutions at later times, nor are the global solutions close to some 2D manifold. The approach of proving regularity is based on investigation of fast singular oscillating limits and nonlinear averaging methods in the context of almost periodic functions. We establish the global regularity of the 3D limit resonant Euler equations without any restriction on the size of 3D initial data. After establishing strong convergence to the limit resonant equations, we bootstrap this into the regularity on arbitrary large time intervals of the solutions of 3D Euler Equations with weakly aligned uniformly large vorticity at t=0.

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1. Introduction and main results. Non blow-up of the 3D incompressible Euler Equations is proven for a class of three-dimensional initial data characterized by uniformly large vorticity in bounded cylindrical domains. There are no conditional assumptions on the properties of solutions at later times, nor are the global solutions close to some 2D manifold. It is well known that fully three-dimensional initial conditions with uniformly large vorticity excite fast Poincaré vorticity waves [3], [5]. Since individual Poincaré wave modes are related to the eigenfunctions of the curl operator, they are exact time-dependent solutions of the full nonlinear 3D Euler equations. Of course, their linear superposition does not preserve this property. In this article we prove regularity on arbitrary long time intervals for fully 3D initial data which are superposition of 'slow' barotropic fields (two-dimensional velocity fields with three components) and an infinite countable spectrum of 'fast' Poincaré waves; this is achieved with a detailed mathematical analysis of multiscale phenomena which arise in the fully nonlinear interactions between 3D waves and the mean flow (barotropic fields). The techniques involve detailed investigations of fast singular oscillating limits, building on the earlier pioneering work on nonlinear averaging methods by Bogoliubov and Mitropolskii [10] and Bensoussan, Lions and Papanicolaou [8].

We study initial value problem for the three-dimensional Euler equations with initial data characterized by uniformly large vorticity:

$$\partial_t \mathbf{V} + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{V} = -\nabla p, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0, \tag{1.1}$$

$$\mathbf{V}(t,y)|_{t=0} = \mathbf{V}(0) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) + \frac{\Omega}{2}e_3 \times y$$
 (1.2)

where  $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$ ,  $\mathbf{V}(t, y) = (V_1, V_2, V_3)$  is the velocity field and p is the pressure. In Eqs. (1.1)  $e_3$  denotes the vertical unit vector and  $\Omega$  is a constant parameter. The

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field  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y)$  depends on three variables  $y_1, y_2$  and  $y_3$ . Since  $curl(\frac{\Omega}{2}e_3 \times y) = \Omega e_3$ , the vorticity vector at initial time t = 0 is

$$curl \mathbf{V}(0, y) = curl \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) + \Omega e_3, \tag{1.3}$$

and the initial vorticity has a large component weakly aligned along  $e_3$ , when  $\Omega >> 1$ . These are fully three-dimensional large initial data with large initial 3D vortex stretching.

Eqs. (1.1) are studied in cylindrical domains

$$\mathbf{C} = \{ (y_1, y_2, y_3) \in \mathbf{R}^3 : 0 < y_3 < 2\pi/\alpha, \ y_1^2 + y_2^2 < R^2 \}$$
 (1.4)

where  $\alpha$  and R are positive real numbers. If h is the height of the cylinder,  $\alpha = 2\pi/h$ .

$$\Gamma = \{ (y_1, y_2, y_3) \in \mathbf{R}^3 : 0 < y_3 < 2\pi/\alpha, \ y_1^2 + y_2^2 = R^2 \}.$$
 (1.5)

Without loss of generality, we can assume that R = 1. Eqs. (1.1) are considered with periodic boundary conditions in  $y_3$ 

$$\mathbf{V}(y_1, y_2, y_3) = \mathbf{V}(y_1, y_2, y_3 + 2\pi/\alpha) \tag{1.6}$$

and vanishing normal component of velocity on  $\Gamma$ 

$$\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma; \tag{1.7}$$

where **N** is the normal vector to  $\Gamma$ . From the invariance of 3D Euler equations under the symmetry  $y_3 \to -y_3$ ,  $V_1 \to V_1$ ,  $V_2 \to V_2$ ,  $V_3 \to -V_3$ , all results in this paper extend to cylindrical domains bounded by two horizontal plates. Then the boundary conditions in the vertical direction are zero flux on the vertical boundaries (zero vertical velocity on the plates). One only needs to restrict vector fields to be even in  $y_3$  for  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  and odd in  $y_3$  for  $V_3$ , and double the cylindrical domain to  $-h \leq y_3 \leq +h$ .

We choose  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y)$  in  $\mathbf{L}_2(\mathbf{C})$ . We introduce  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}(t,y)$  such that

$$\mathbf{V}(t,y) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}(t,y) + \frac{\Omega}{2}e_3 \times y, \ curl \mathbf{V}(t,y) = curl \tilde{\mathbf{V}}(t,y) + \Omega e_3.$$
 (1.8)

For the vorticity field  $\omega = curl \mathbf{V}$  Eqs. (1.1) become

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\omega + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \omega = \omega \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V},\tag{1.9}$$

$$\omega(0,y) = curl\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) + \Omega e_3, \tag{1.10}$$

and the initial condition induces large initial vortex stretching.

We present a simple case of results obtained in our joint work with C. Bardos and F. Golse [6], where the initial value problem is solved in more general functional spaces. We establish regularity for arbitrarily large finite times for the 3D Euler solutions for  $\Omega$  large, but *finite*. Our solutions are not close in any sense to those of the 2D or "quasi 2D" Euler and they are characterized by fast oscillations in the  $e_3$  direction, together with a large vortex stretching term  $\omega(t,y) \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V}(t,y) = \omega_1 \frac{\partial V_1}{\partial y_1} + \omega_2 \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial y_2} + \omega_3 \frac{\partial V_3}{\partial y_3}$ ,  $t \geq 0$  with leading component  $\Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial y_3} V_3(t,y) >> 1$ . There are

no assumptions on oscillations in  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$  for our solutions (nor for the initial condition  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y)$ ).

Our approach is entirely based on fast singular oscillating limits of Eqs. (1.9)-(1.10), nonlinear averaging and cancellation of oscillations in the nonlinear interactions for the vorticity field for large  $\Omega$ . This has been developed in [3], [4], [5] and [27] for the cases of periodic lattice domains and the infinite space  $\mathbf{R}^3$ . Through the canonical transformation (1.17)-(1.18) in both the field  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  and the space coordinate  $y=(y_1,y_2,y_3)$  for every  $\Omega$  (not necessary large) we map every solution  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  of Eqs. (1.1) one-to-one to a solution  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ ,  $x=(x_1,x_2,x_3)$  of

$$\partial_t \mathbf{U} + (\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla_x) \mathbf{U} + \Omega \mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{U} = -\nabla_x (p - \frac{\Omega^2}{4} |x_h|^2), \ \nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0,$$
 (1.11)

$$\mathbf{U}(t,x)|_{t=0} = \mathbf{U}(0,x) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(x),$$
 (1.12)

where x = y at t = 0 and  $x_h = (x_1, x_2)$ . For  $\Omega >> 1$  the nearly singular initial value problem (1.1)-(1.2) (that is with large initial vorticity and vortex stretching) is mapped into the problem (1.11)-(1.12) with the nearly singular Coriolis operator term restricted to solenoidal fields:

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon}e_3 \times \mathbf{U}, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0, \ \epsilon = 1/\Omega << 1. \tag{1.13}$$

As detailed in Section 2, the linear part of Eq. (1.11) is the Poincaré-Sobolev nonlocal wave equations ([2], [14], [28], [32]):

$$\partial_t \mathbf{\Phi} + \Omega \mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{\Phi} = -\nabla \pi, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Phi} = 0.$$
 (1.14)

Interactions between the Poincaré waves generated by the quadratic nonlinearity in Eq. (1.11) are ruled by resonance conditions and a small divisor problem in the limit  $\Omega \to \infty$ . With nonlinear averaging methods in the context of Banach space valued almost periodic functions we obtain fully 3D limit resonant Euler equations. We establish the global regularity of the latter without any restriction on the size of 3D initial data and bootstrap this into the global regularity of Eqs. (1.11)-(1.12) for  $\Omega$  large but finite. Then by the canonical transformation (1.17)-(1.18) of the field  $\mathbf{V}$  (which is an isometry on *curl*-based generalizations of Sobolev spaces) we establish the long-time regularity of Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) for large finite  $\Omega$ , on arbitrarily finite large time intervals.

Our results crucially use the algebra of the curl operator with boundary conditions, for the fast singular oscillating limits of  $\tilde{\omega} = curl \mathbf{U}(t, x)$ :

$$\partial_t \tilde{\omega} + \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} + \Omega \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \mathbf{U}.$$
 (1.15)

For this we rely on deep properties of  $curl^{-1}$ , extending the early pioneering results of O.A. Ladyzhenskaya, V.A. Solonnikov and co-workers which were obtained in the context of Maxwell's equations and magneto-hydrodynamics ([21], [24], [12], [13], [33]). There are three foremost issues with the analysis of (1.1)-(1.2), (1.11)-(1.15) for large parameter  $\Omega$ . First, the nature of their fast singular oscillating limit equations as  $\Omega \to +\infty$  and the global regularity of their solutions (3D resonant limit Euler equations). Second, the strong convergence of solutions of (1.11)-(1.12) to those of the limit equations; and, finally, bootstrapping from analysis of the first two questions the long-time regularity of solutions of (1.1)-(1.2) for  $\Omega$  large but finite.

We now detail the canonical transformation between the original vector field  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  and the vector field  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ . Let **J** be the matrix such that  $\mathbf{Ja} = e_3 \times \mathbf{a}$ for any vector field a. Then

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{\Upsilon}(t) \equiv e^{\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\Omega t}{2}) & -\sin(\frac{\Omega t}{2}) & 0 \\ \sin(\frac{\Omega t}{2}) & \cos(\frac{\Omega t}{2}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (1.16)

For any fixed parameter  $\Omega$  (not necessary large) we introduce the following fundamental transformation:

$$\mathbf{V}(t,y) = e^{+\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2} \mathbf{U}(t, e^{-\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2}y) + \frac{\Omega}{2} \mathbf{J}y, \ x = e^{-\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2}y.$$
 (1.17)

The transformation (1.17) is invertible:

$$\mathbf{U}(t,x) = e^{-\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2} \mathbf{V}(t, e^{+\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2}x) - \frac{\Omega}{2} \mathbf{J}x, \ y = e^{+\Omega \mathbf{J}t/2}x.$$
 (1.18)

The transformations (1.17)-(1.18) establish one-to-one correspondence between solenoidal vector fields  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  and  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ . We note that for t=0 x=y and therefore  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(x)$ . Let  $x = (x_h, x_3)$  where  $x_h = (x_1, x_2), |x_h|^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$  and similarly for y. We have:

LEMMA 1.1. The following identities hold for the vector fields  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  and  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ and pressure p:

- 1.  $\nabla_y \cdot \mathbf{V}(t, y) = \nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{U}(t, x)$ . 2.  $\nabla_y p = \mathbf{\Upsilon}(t) \nabla_x p$ .
- 3.  $\operatorname{curl}_{y} \mathbf{V}(t,y) = \mathbf{\Upsilon}(t) \operatorname{curl}_{x} \mathbf{U}(t,x) + \Omega e_{3}, \quad \operatorname{curl}_{y}^{2} \mathbf{V}(t,y) = \mathbf{\Upsilon}(t) \operatorname{curl}_{x}^{2} \mathbf{U}(t,x).$
- 4.  $\frac{D}{Dt}\mathbf{V}(t,y) = \mathbf{\Upsilon}(t) \left(\frac{D}{Dt}\mathbf{U}(t,x) + \Omega\mathbf{J}\mathbf{U} \frac{\Omega^2}{2}x_h\right)$  where  $\frac{D}{Dt}$  are the corresponding Lagrangian derivatives,  $\mathbf{J}\mathbf{U} = e_3 \times \mathbf{U}$ .

Lemma 1.1 establishes that the transformation (1.17)-(1.18) is canonical for (1.1)-(1.2). From the property 1 of Lemma 1.1 it follows that  $\nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{U}(t,x) = 0$  since  $\nabla_y \cdot \mathbf{V}(t,y) = 0$ . Now using 2-4 in the above Lemma 1.1 and the fact that  $\Upsilon(t)$  is unitary we can express each term in (1.1) in x and t variables to obtain the equations for U(t,x) (1.11)-(1.15). Under the transformation (1.17)-(1.18) Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) turn into Euler system (1.11)-(1.12) with an additional Coriolis term  $\Omega e_3 \times \mathbf{U}$  and modified initial data and pressure. The systems Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) and (1.11)-(1.12) are equivalent for every  $\Omega$  (not necessary large) and the pair of transformations (1.17)-(1.18) establishes one-to-one correspondence between their fully three-dimensional solutions. The canonical transformation (1.17)-(1.18) preserves the boundary conditions (1.7)which are transformed into

$$\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0, \text{ on } \Gamma. \tag{1.19}$$

Using elementary identities  $(\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{U} = curl\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{U} + \nabla(\frac{|\mathbf{U}|^2}{2})$  on divergence free vector fields, Eqs. (1.11) can be rewritten in the form

$$\partial_t \mathbf{U} + (curl \mathbf{U} + \Omega e_3) \times \mathbf{U} = -\nabla (p - \frac{\Omega^2}{4} |x_h|^2 + \frac{|\mathbf{U}|^2}{2}), \tag{1.20}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0, \ \mathbf{U}(t, x)|_{t=0} = \mathbf{U}(0) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(x). \tag{1.21}$$

For large  $\Omega$  the initial value condition (1.2) can be interpreted as weak alignment of the initial vorticity at t=0; in the distributional sense, for every test function  $\phi(y) \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^3)$  we have:

$$|\langle curl \mathbf{V}(0,y)/\Omega - e_3, \phi(y) \rangle| = |\langle \mathbf{V}(0,y)/\Omega - \frac{1}{2}e_3 \times y, curl \phi(y) \not\approx 1 \mid 22)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\Omega} |\langle \mathbf{U}(0,x), curl \phi(x) \rangle|,$$

with  $\Omega \geq \Omega_1$  ( $\Omega_1$  is defined in Theorem 1.2,  $\Omega_1 >> 1$ ).

The fast singular oscillating limits of Eqs. (1.20)-(1.21) are investigated as  $\Omega \to +\infty$ , after further transformation of Eqs. (1.20)-(1.21) with the Poincaré propagator. The latter is the unitary group solution  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{\Phi}(0) = \mathbf{\Phi}(t)$  in  $L_2(\mathbf{C})$  ( $\mathbf{E}(0) = \mathbf{Id}$  is the identity) to the linear Poincaré wave problem ([28], [14], [32]):

$$\partial_t \mathbf{\Phi} + \Omega \mathbf{J} \mathbf{\Phi} = -\nabla \pi, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Phi} = 0,$$
 (1.23)

or, equivalently,

$$\partial_t \mathbf{\Phi} + \Omega \mathbf{PJP} \mathbf{\Phi} = 0 \tag{1.24}$$

where  $\mathbf{P}$  is the Leray projection on divergence free vector fields; the solutions  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{\Phi}(0)$  are called Poincaré waves. Eqs. (1.23) give rise to a unitary group of transformations  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)$  on a space of square-integrable divergence-free vector fields  $L_2(\mathbf{C})$ . The spectrum of the generator of the group of motions, that is the spectrum of the skew-hermitian zero order pseudo-differential operator  $\mathbf{PJP}$  is [-i,i]. In the case of cylindrical domains considered in this paper the eigenvalues (point spectrum) of the operator  $\mathbf{PJP}$  are dense in [-i,i]. The operator  $\mathbf{PJP}$  has norm one. Since  $\mathbf{PJP}$  is bounded on  $L_2(\mathbf{C})$ , the solutions to (1.24) with initial condition  $\mathbf{\Phi}(0)$  is given by

$$\mathbf{\Phi}(t) = \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{\Phi}(0) = \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-\Omega t)^j}{j!} (-\mathbf{PJP})^j \mathbf{\Phi}(0).$$
 (1.25)

Applying to Eqs. (1.11)-(1.12) (equivalently, Eqs. (1.20)-(1.21)) the Leray projection  $\mathbf{P}$  onto divergence free vector fields, we obtain for  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{P} \ \mathbf{U}$ 

$$\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \Omega \mathbf{PJPU} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{U}),$$
 (1.26)  
 $\mathbf{U}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{U}(0) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0$ 

where

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{U}) = -\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U}) = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{U} \times curl \mathbf{U}). \tag{1.27}$$

The proofs of regularity rely on the analysis of the dispersion relations for Poincaré waves [28], [14] (solutions to Eqs. (1.23)-(1.24)). The resonance condition for the interactions generated by the Euler quadratic nonlinearity in the limit  $\Omega \to +\infty$  takes the form (see [3] and Sections 2, 3 below):

$$\pm \frac{k_3}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta(k_1,k_2,k_3)^2}{\alpha^2} + k_3^2}} \pm \frac{m_3}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta(m_1,m_2,m_3)^2}{\alpha^2} + m_3^2}} \pm \frac{n_3}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta(n_1,n_2,n_3)^2}{\alpha^2} + n_3^2}} = 0$$
 (1.28)

with the convolution conditions  $n_3 = k_3 + m_3$ ,  $n_2 = k_2 + m_2$ . Here  $m = (m_1, m_2, m_3)$  are three-dimensional wave vectors. The integers  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$  and  $m_3$  are for the radial, azimuthal and axial directions, respectively. Similarly, for k and n. Eqs. (1.28) are trivially satisfied for  $k_3 = m_3 = n_3 = 0$  which correspond to pure two-dimensional interactions (dependence on  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and no dependence on  $x_3$  in physical space). The nonlinear interactions with  $k_3m_3n_3 = 0$ ,  $k_3^2 + m_3^2 + n_3^2 \neq 0$  correspond to two-wave resonances and the interactions with  $k_3m_3n_3 \neq 0$  correspond to strict three-wave resonances. The quantities  $\beta$  are related to zeros of certain expressions involving Bessel functions (see Eq. (2.30)).

We outline the structure of the fast oscillating limit equations obtained from Eqs. (1.26) in the limit  $\Omega \to +\infty$ :

$$\partial_t \mathbf{w} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}),$$

$$\mathbf{w}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{w}(0) = \mathbf{U}(0) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0.$$
(1.29)

Details are given in Sections 2 and 3.

We denote the orthogonal decomposition  $\mathbf{w} = \overline{\mathbf{w}} + \mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  where  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t, x_1, x_2)$  is the barotropic projection (vertical averaging),

$$\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t, x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha} \int_0^{2\pi/\alpha} \mathbf{w}(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) dx_3$$
 (1.30)

and the orthogonal field  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t, x_1, x_2, x_3)$  verifies  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}^{\perp} = 0$ . Then

$$\mathbf{w} = \overline{\mathbf{w}} + \mathbf{w}^{\perp}.\tag{1.31}$$

Eqs. (1.29) conserve both energy and helicity. These equations are genuinely three-dimensional since they include all 3D modes but with wave-number interactions restricted in  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})$ . We have (see below in Sections 2 and 3)

$$\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}}) \tag{1.32}$$

implying

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) + \mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) + \mathbf{B}_{2D}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}})$$
(1.33)

where  $\mathbf{B}_{2D}$  corresponds to pure 2D interactions  $(k_3 = m_3 = n_3 = 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}$  is the 'catalytic' operator  $(k_3 = 0, m_3 n_3 \neq 0 \text{ or } m_3 = 0, k_3 n_3 \neq 0)$ . The above implies  $k_3 m_3 n_3 \neq 0$  for interactions given by  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}$ . Such interactions are called strict 3-wave interactions.

Since  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{B}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}})$  the solutions  $\mathbf{w}(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$  of the limit equations (1.29) split into an equation for  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t, x_1, x_2)$  which decouples and an equation for  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t, x_1, x_2, x_3)$  with its coefficients depending on  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}$ . The field  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t, x_1, x_2)$  satisfies the 2D-3C Euler equations (three components and dependence on two variables  $x_1, x_2$ ). Specifically,

$$\partial_t \overline{\mathbf{w}} + (\overline{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \nabla) \overline{\mathbf{w}} = -\nabla_h \overline{q}, \ \nabla_h \cdot \overline{\mathbf{w}} = 0$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{w}}|_{t=0} = \overline{\mathbf{w}}(0) = \overline{\mathbf{U}}(0)$$
(1.34)

where  $\nabla_h$  denotes the gradient in horizontal variables  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ . The component  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t, x_1, x_2, x_3)$  (orthogonal to  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}$ , that is with zero vertical average) satisfies limit equations

$$\partial_t \mathbf{w}^{\perp} = \mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) + \mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})$$

$$\mathbf{w}^{\perp}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(0) = \mathbf{U}^{\perp}(0) = \mathbf{U}(0) - \overline{\mathbf{U}}(0).$$
(1.35)

For  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t, x_1, x_2)$  we have the usual conservation laws and global existence theorems for 2D Euler ([35], [36]).

For the generic case of no strict 3 wave resonances  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}} = 0$ . In this case we have global regularity of the limit resonant equations and long time regularity of the 3D Euler equations (1.11)-(1.12) for  $\Omega$  large. The set of parameters  $\alpha$  where  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}} = 0$  has full Lebesgue measure. In such cases, global regularity of the limit resonant equations and long time regularity of the 3D Euler equations (1.11)-(1.12) is proven using the new 3D conservation laws for  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}$  (see Section 3) and the convergence Theorem 4.6 in section 4. More precisely,  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}} \neq 0$  for a countable discrete set of parameters  $\alpha$ . We now state our main existence theorem. For the cylinder, denote by h the height and R the radius. We denote by  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}(\mathbf{C})$  the usual Sobolev spaces of solenoidal vector fields in the cylinder  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $s \geq 0$ .

Theorem 1.2. Consider the initial value problem for the 3D Euler equations (1.1)-(1.2) with  $\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{V}(0,y) = \Omega e_3 + \operatorname{curl} \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y)$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) \in \mathbf{H}^s_\sigma(\mathbf{C})$ ,  $s \geq 4$ . Let  $\operatorname{curl}^j \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y) \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0$  on  $\Gamma$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq s$ . Let  $||\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0||_{\mathbf{H}^s_\sigma(\mathbf{C})} \leq M_s$ . Let  $h/R \notin \mathcal{K}^*$  where  $\mathcal{K}^*$  is a countable discrete set. Let  $T_m > 0$  fixed, arbitrary large. Then there exists  $\Omega_1(h/R, M_s, T_m)$  such that for every fixed  $\Omega \geq \Omega_1$  there exists a unique regular solution of Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) for  $0 \leq t < T_m$ :

$$||\tilde{\mathbf{V}}(t,y)||_{\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}(\mathbf{C})} \le \tilde{M}_{s}(h/R, M_{s}, T_{m}). \tag{1.36}$$

Moreover,  $\operatorname{curl}^j \mathbf{V}(t,y) \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0$  on  $\Gamma$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq s$ . For  $M_s$  fixed,  $T_m \to +\infty$  as  $1/\Omega_1 \to 0$ . Alternatively, we can take arbitrary large but bounded sets of initial data:  $M_s \to +\infty$  if  $1/\Omega_1 \to 0$ ,  $T_m$  fixed.

The above theorem establishes a class of genuinely 3D solutions of Euler equations which are regular on long time intervals even though the initial vorticity and the vortex stretching term are large.

2. Poincare-Sobolev equations in cylindrical domains. In this section we consider the eigenvalue problem for the Poincaré-Sobolev equations in the cylinder C ([2], [28], [14], [32]):

$$\partial_t \mathbf{\Phi} + \Omega \mathbf{PJP} \mathbf{\Phi} = 0, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Phi} = 0,$$
 (2.1)

The operator  $\mathbf{PJP}$  is skew-symmetric with respect to the  $\mathbf{L}_2$  inner product. From the fundamental identity

$$curl\mathbf{PJP} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\mathbf{P},$$
 (2.2)

the Poincaré problem is equivalent to the nonlocal wave operator (the Poincaré-Sobolev equation), [32] and [2]:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} curl^2 \Phi - \Omega^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_3^2} \mathbf{P} \Phi = 0; \tag{2.3}$$

its properties have been extensively investigated by the school of Sobolev (see references in [2], [20], [29]) for various domain geometries.

Theorem 2.1. ([20]). **PJP** is a bounded skew-adjoint zero-order nonlocal operator with a dense spectrum on [-i, +i].

This spectrum can be purely continuous on [-i, +i] in the case of resonant domains which are ergodically filled by the characteristics of Eqs. (2.3) ([2]). The situation is simpler in periodic domains  $\mathbf{T}^3$ , where  $\mathbf{PJP}$  does commute with the *curl* operator, hence with  $curl^{2\alpha} = (-\Delta)^{\alpha}$  on solenoidal fields, and  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) = \exp(-\Omega \mathbf{PJP}t)$  preserves all Sobolev norms ([3], [4]).

In the cylindrical domains with boundary conditions ((1.7), (1.19)), the structure of **PJP** and  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)$  is much more complex, as curl does not commute with the operator **PJP** (but does commute with **P**), whereas the operators  $\nabla$  and  $-\Delta$  do not commute with **P**. The Helmholtz projection  $\mathbf{U} \to \mathbf{PU}$  is such that (i)  $div\mathbf{PU} = 0$  and (ii)  $\mathbf{PU} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0$  on  $\Gamma$ . The Weyl-Helmholtz decomposition theorem for  $\mathbf{L}_2(D)$  where D is a bounded domain, now involves harmonic distributions:

THEOREM 2.2. Every vector field  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbf{L}_2(D)$  admits a unique decomposition:

$$\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{U} + \nabla \pi_H + \nabla \pi_0, \tag{2.4}$$

where  $\nabla \pi_H$  and  $\nabla \pi_0 \in \mathbf{L}_2(D)$  and

$$\Delta \pi_0 = div \mathbf{U}, \ \pi_0 = 0 \ on \ \partial D \tag{2.5}$$

$$\Delta \pi_H = 0, \frac{\partial \pi_H}{\partial N} = (\mathbf{U} - \nabla \pi_0) \cdot \mathbf{N} \text{ on } \partial D, \text{ in } \mathbf{H}^{-1/2}(\partial D).$$
 (2.6)

Note that the set of harmonic distributions such that  $\frac{\partial \pi_H}{\partial N} = 0$  on  $\partial D$ , reduces to  $\{0\}$ , hence the uniqueness of **PU**.

To construct the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{PJP}$  and  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)$ , we need to invert curl in the Poincaré-Sobolev equation (2.3) subject to the boundary condition (1.19). This is where the potential theoretical result on curl inversion by O.A. Ladyzhenskaya and V. A. Solonnikov are needed in an essential way ([21], [12], [13], [24]). V.A. Solonnikov in [33] has further demonstrated that in bounded geometries the curl operator is an overdetermined elliptic system on solenoidal fields and does not admit any simple maximal self-adjoint extension. Nevertheless, two different potential theoretic inverses can be constructed for curl with different domains and ranges.

Recall the lemma for integration by parts for the *curl* operator

Lemma 2.3. For  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{H}^1(D)$ 

$$\int_{D} curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} dx = \int_{D} \mathbf{U} \cdot curl \mathbf{V} dx + \int_{\partial D} (\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V}) dS, \tag{2.7}$$

where the determinant in the boundary integral is taken in the sense  $\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{H}^{1/2}(\partial D)$ , and  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{H}^{1/2}(\partial D)$  ([12], [17]).

LEMMA 2.4. ([24]). For  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{J}^0 \cap \mathbf{J}_1$  and such that  $curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{N} = curl \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0$  on  $\partial D$ , the operator curl is symmetric:

$$\int_{D} curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} \, dx = \int_{D} \mathbf{U} \cdot curl \mathbf{V} \, dx. \tag{2.8}$$

To briefly review the results in [21], [24], [12], [13] we introduce the notations of Ladyzhenskaya, where D is a bounded domain with boundary  $\partial D$ :

$$\mathbf{J} = Clos\{\mathbf{U} \in C^{\infty}(\bar{D}), div\mathbf{U} = 0\} \text{ in } ||\cdot||_{\mathbf{L}_2}, \mathbf{J} \equiv \mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^0; \tag{2.9}$$

$$\mathbf{J}_1 = {\mathbf{U} \in \mathbf{H}^1(D), div\mathbf{U} = 0} \equiv \mathbf{H}^1_{\sigma}(D); \tag{2.10}$$

$$\mathbf{J}^{0} = Clos\{\mathbf{U} \in C^{\infty}(\bar{D}), div\mathbf{U} = 0, \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0 \text{ on } \partial D\} \text{ in } ||\cdot||_{\mathbf{L}_{2}}$$
(2.11)

$$\mathbf{J}_{1,\tau}^{0} = Clos\{\mathbf{U} \in C^{\infty}(\bar{D}), div\mathbf{U} = 0, \mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{N} = 0 \text{ on } \partial D\} \text{ in } ||\cdot||_{\mathbf{H}^{1}(D)}.$$
 (2.12)

THEOREM 2.5.  $\mathbf{J}_{1,\tau}^0(D)$  is dense in  $\mathbf{J}(D)$ .

THEOREM 2.6. For every  $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{J}^0(D)$ , there exists a unique  $\Psi \in \mathbf{J}^0_{1,\tau}(D)$  such that  $\mathbf{V} = \operatorname{curl} \Psi$  and for some  $C_1, C_2 > 0$ :

$$C_1||\mathbf{V}||_{\mathbf{L}_2} \le ||\Psi||_{\mathbf{H}^1} \le C_2||\mathbf{V}||_{\mathbf{L}_2}.$$
 (2.13)

THEOREM 2.7. For every  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbf{J}(D)$  there exists a unique  $\Phi \in \mathbf{J}^0(D) \cap \mathbf{H}^1(D)$  such that  $\mathbf{W} = curl\Phi$  and for some  $C_3, C_4 > 0$ :

$$C_3||\mathbf{W}||_{\mathbf{L}_2} \le ||\Phi||_{\mathbf{H}^1} \le C_4||\mathbf{W}||_{\mathbf{L}_2}.$$
 (2.14)

Theorem 2.6 implies the existence of a bounded operator  $curl^{-1}$  with domain  $\mathbf{J}^0$ , range  $\mathbf{J}^0_{1,\tau}$ ; and similarly Theorem 2.7 defines  $curl^{-1}$  with domain  $\mathbf{J}$ , range  $\mathbf{J}^0 \cap \mathbf{H}^1$ . Note that Theorem 2.7 implies the Poincaré inequality  $||\Phi||_{\mathbf{L}_2} \leq C_4||\mathbf{W}||_{\mathbf{L}_2}$ . Theorem 2.7 has been rederived by C. Bardos (see discussion in [17]) using non-potential theoretic methods of K. Friedrichs [18].

THEOREM 2.8. ([24], [2]). When restricted to the domain:

$$\mathcal{D}(curl) = curl^{-1}\mathbf{J}^0, \tag{2.15}$$

where the vector potential  $curl^{-1}$  is taken as in Theorem 2.7, the operator curl is self-adjoint, invertible and with a compact inverse in  $\mathbf{J}^0$ .

*Proof.* Theorem 2.8 is a straightforward corollary of Theorem 2.7, with the remark that  $\mathbf{J}^0$  is a closed subspace of  $\mathbf{J}$ .  $\mathcal{D}(curl)$  is a closed proper subspace of  $\mathbf{J}_1 \cap \mathbf{J}^0$ . In fact,

$$\mathbf{J}^0 \cap \mathbf{J}_1 = curl^{-1} \mathbf{J}^0 \bigoplus curl^{-1} (\nabla \pi_H), \tag{2.16}$$

where  $curl^{-1}$  is again taken in the sense of Theorem 2.7. As  $curl^{-1}\mathbf{J}^0 \subset \mathbf{H}^1_{\sigma} \cap \mathbf{J}^0$ ,  $curl^{-1}$  is a compact operator on  $\mathbf{J}^0$ . To verify that curl as restricted in (2.15) is self-adjoint, consider (2.7) with  $\mathbf{U}$ ,  $\mathbf{V}$  in  $\mathcal{D}(curl)$  and  $\Psi_U$ ,  $\Psi_V$  in  $\mathbf{J}^0_{1,\tau}$  such that  $\Psi_U = curl^{-1}(curl\mathbf{U})$ ,  $\Psi_V = curl^{-1}(curl\mathbf{V})$ , the vector potential  $curl^{-1}$  is now taken in the sense of Theorem 2.6. Then  $\Psi_U = \mathbf{U} + \nabla \pi_H(\mathbf{U})$ ,  $\Psi_V = \mathbf{U} + \nabla \pi_H(\mathbf{V})$ , where  $\pi_H(\mathbf{U})$ ,  $\pi_H(\mathbf{V})$  are harmonic functions. Now

$$\int_{D} curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} \, dx = \int_{D} curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \Psi_{V} \, dx = \int_{D} curl \Psi_{U} \cdot \Psi_{V} \, dx \tag{2.17}$$

and, similarly,

$$\int_{D} \mathbf{U} \cdot \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{V} \, dx = \int_{D} \Psi_{U} \cdot \operatorname{curl} \Psi_{V} \, dx. \tag{2.18}$$

Then (2.7) becomes

$$\int_{D} curl \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} dx = \int_{D} \mathbf{U} \cdot curl \mathbf{V} dx + \int_{\partial D} (\mathbf{N} \times \Psi_{U} \cdot \Psi_{V}) dS, \tag{2.19}$$

and the boundary integral on the right hand side is clearly null, as  $\Psi_U \cdot \Psi_V$  are in  $\mathbf{J}_{1,\tau}^0$ .  $\square$ 

Theorem 2.8 has been rediscovered several times, from unawareness of [24] and [13]. Note that whereas the eigenfunctions of curl are complete in  $\mathbf{J}^0 \cap \mathbf{J}_1$ , only in  $\mathcal{D}(curl) \subset \mathbf{H}^1(D)$ .

We now explicit the common eigenfunctions to **PJP** and *curl* in the cylinder. In cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi, z)$  we have  $\mathbf{\Phi} = (\Phi_r, \Phi_\phi, \Phi_z)$  and Eqs. (2.1) take the form

$$\partial_t \Phi_r - \Omega \Phi_\phi = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial r}, \ \partial_t \Phi_\phi + \Omega \Phi_r = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \phi}, \ \partial_t \Phi_z = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z},$$
 (2.20)

$$\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r\Phi_r) + \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial\Phi_{\phi}}{\partial\phi} + \frac{\partial\Phi_z}{\partial z} = 0.$$
 (2.21)

The vector field  $\mathbf{\Phi}$  is  $2\pi/\alpha$  periodic in z and it satisfies  $\Phi_r|_{r=R}=0$  on  $\Gamma$ .

Applying  $\operatorname{curl}$  operator to Eqs. (1.23) and using divergence free condition, we obtain

$$\partial_t curl \mathbf{\Phi} = \Omega \partial_z \mathbf{\Phi}. \tag{2.22}$$

From Eqs. (2.22) we obtain Poincaré-Sobolev equations

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}(curl^2\mathbf{\Phi}) - \Omega^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}(\mathbf{\Phi}) = 0. \tag{2.23}$$

Eqs. (2.23) is a system of equations for three components of  $\Phi$ . For the vertical component  $\Phi_z$  we have the following scalar equation

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \Delta \Phi_z + \Omega^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \Phi_z = 0. \tag{2.24}$$

We look for normal modes in the form

$$e^{i(\Omega\sigma t + m_2\phi + m_3\alpha z)}\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}}(r). \tag{2.25}$$

Recall that without loss of generality R=1. Eqs. (2.24) imply

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2}\hat{\Phi}_z + \frac{1}{r}\frac{d}{dr}\hat{\Phi}_z + (\beta^2 - \frac{m_2^2}{r^2})\hat{\Phi}_z = 0$$
 (2.26)

where

$$\beta^2 = m_3^2 \alpha^2 (\frac{1}{\sigma^2} - 1) \text{ or equivalently } \sigma^2 = \frac{m_3^2 \alpha^2}{\beta^2 + m_3^2 \alpha^2}.$$
 (2.27)

From the boundary condition  $\Phi_r|_{r=1} = 0$  and Eqs. (2.20) we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dr}\hat{\Phi}_z + \frac{m_2}{\sigma r}\hat{\Phi}_z = 0 \text{ at } r = 1.$$
 (2.28)

Eqs. (2.26), (2.28) is a Sturm-Liouville eigenvalue problem.

From Eqs. (2.26) we have

$$\hat{\Phi}_z(r) = J_{m_2}(\beta r), \tag{2.29}$$

where  $\mathbf{J}_{m_2}(\cdot), m_2 = 0, 1, 2, ...$ , are Bessel functions of the first kind; therefore, Eqs. (2.28) imply

$$\beta J'_{m_2}(\beta) \pm m_2 J_{m_2}(\beta) \sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{m_3^2 \alpha^2} + 1} = 0.$$
 (2.30)

For fixed integers  $m_2$  (azimuthal wavenumber) and  $m_3$  (vertical direction) we solve Eqs. (2.30) to obtain  $\beta_{m_1}(m_2, m_3)$ ;  $m_1 = 1, 2, 3, ...$  Eqs. (2.30) have infinitely many solutions. Then Eqs. (2.27) imply

$$\sigma(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \pm \frac{m_3}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3)^2}{\alpha^2} + m_3^2}}.$$
 (2.31)

Clearly,  $i\sigma(m_1, m_2, m_3)$  are eigenvalues of the skew-hermitian operator **PJP**. The corresponding eigenvector functions  $\Phi_{m_1m_2m_3} = (\Phi_r, \Phi_\phi, \Phi_z)$  form a complete set in  $\mathbf{J}^0$ . They are independent of  $\Omega$  and are explicitly expressed in terms of Bessel functions (for example, see Eq. (2.29) for the radial component  $\Phi_r$ ). From Eqs. (2.22) and (2.27) it follows that the eigenfunctions  $\Phi_{m_1m_2m_3}$  with  $m_3 \neq 0$  satisfy

$$curl\Phi_{m_1m_2m_3} = \pm \sqrt{\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3)^2 + \alpha^2 m_3^2} \Phi_{m_1m_2m_3}$$

$$= \pm \lambda_{m_1m_2m_3} \Phi_{m_1m_2m_3}$$

$$= \pm \frac{m_3\alpha}{\sigma_{m_1m_2m_3}} \Phi_{m_1m_2m_3} \text{ where } \sigma_{m_1m_2m_3}^2 = \frac{m_3^2\alpha^2}{\beta_{m_1m_2m_3}^2 + m_3^2\alpha^2}.$$
(2.32)

and

$$(curl\Phi) \cdot \mathbf{N}|_{\Gamma} = 0. \tag{2.33}$$

More precisely, from  $curl \mathbf{PJPU} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathbf{U}$  (for every solenoidal field  $\mathbf{U}$ ),  $\Phi_{m_1 m_2 m_3}$  satisfies

$$curl\Phi_{m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}} = -\frac{\check{m}_{3}}{\sigma}\Phi_{m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}},$$

$$curl\Phi_{m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}} = -sign(m_{3}\sigma)\lambda_{m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}}\Phi_{m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}},$$
(2.34)

where the curl operator is complex valued on the Fourier wavenumbers  $m_2$ ,  $m_3$  and real valued with respect to the radial variable r.

The divergence free eigenvector functions  $\Phi_{m_1m_2m_3} = (\Phi_r, \Phi_\phi, \Phi_z)$  are

$$\begin{split} &\Phi_{r,m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}}=e^{i(m_{2}\phi+m_{3}\alpha z)}\frac{i\sigma}{m_{3}\alpha(1-\sigma^{2})}\;(\sigma\beta J'_{m_{2}}(\beta r)+\frac{m_{2}}{r}J_{m_{2}}(\beta r)),\\ &\Phi_{\phi,m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}}=e^{i(m_{2}\phi+m_{3}\alpha z)}\frac{-\sigma}{m_{3}\alpha(1-\sigma^{2})}\;(\beta J'_{m_{2}}(\beta r)+\frac{\sigma m_{2}}{r}J_{m_{2}}(\beta r)),\quad(2.35)\\ &\Phi_{z,m_{1}m_{2}m_{3}}=e^{i(m_{2}\phi+m_{3}\alpha z)}J_{m_{2}}(\beta r). \end{split}$$

The eigenspace corresponding to the zero eigenvalue consists of all divergence free vector fields independent of the vertical coordinate z ( $\sigma = 0$  if  $m_3 = 0$  in Eqs. (2.31)).

These eigenfunctions are vested with several symmetries, one of them especially useful for the proof of the 'operator splitting' Theorem 3.2, cf. Eqs. (1.34)-(1.35). If

$$m_2 \to -m_2, \ m_3 \to -m_3, \ \sigma \to -\sigma,$$
 (2.36)

then:

$$\beta(m_1, -m_2, -m_3) = \beta(m_1, m_2, m_3), \tag{2.37}$$

with the same indexation  $m_1$ , and:

$$\Phi^*(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \Phi(m_1, -m_2, -m_3). \tag{2.38}$$

Moreover, these two eigenfunctions correspond to the same eigenvalue of *curl*. Here \* denotes complex conjugation. Eqs. (2.36)-(2.38) are easily inferred from (2.28), (2.30), (2.31), (2.32), (2.35) and the above explicit formulas for  $\Phi_{m_1m_2m_3}$ .

We can easily obtain asymptotic expressions of eigenvalues for large  $\beta$ . We recall that we have for Bessel functions

$$J'_{l}(\xi) = \frac{l}{\xi} J_{l}(\xi) - J_{l+1}(\xi), \tag{2.39}$$

$$J_{l+1}(\xi) = \frac{2l}{\xi} J_l(\xi) - J_{l-1}(\xi), \qquad (2.40)$$

$$J_{l-1}(\xi) - J_{l+1}(\xi) = 2J'_l(\xi) \tag{2.41}$$

$$J_l(\xi) \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi \xi}} \cos(\xi - \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{l\pi}{2}) \text{ as } \xi \to +\infty.$$
 (2.42)

From Eqs. (2.30), (2.39)-(2.41) we obtain

$$\frac{J_{m_2+1}(\beta)}{J_{m_2}(\beta)} = \frac{m_2}{\beta} (1 \pm \sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{m_3^2 \alpha^2} + 1}). \tag{2.43}$$

Then from Eqs. (2.43) using asymptotic expression for Bessel functions for large  $\beta$  we have

$$\tan(\beta - \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{m_2 \pi}{2}) \approx \pm \frac{m_2}{m_3 \alpha}.$$
 (2.44)

For fixed  $m_2$ ,  $m_3$  and  $\alpha$  Eqs. (2.44) has infinitely many solutions  $\beta_{m_1}(m_2, m_3, \alpha)$ ,  $m_1 = 1, 2, ...$ 

In summary, with  $n_3 = \alpha n_3 = 2\pi n_3/h$  denoting the vertical Fourier wave number along  $x_3$ , we have established that:

Proposition 2.9.

- (i) On  $[-i,0)\cup(0,+i]$  the spectrum of **PJP** consists of a dense, but countable set of eigenvalues  $\pm i\sigma_n$ , with finite dimensional eigenspaces for each eigenvalue.
- (ii) Every eigenvector of **PJP** is an eigenvector of curl and vice-versa, with eigenvalues  $\pm i\sigma_n$  and  $\pm \lambda_n$  mapped into each other by  $\sigma_n^2 = \frac{\tilde{n}_3^2}{\lambda_n^2}$ .
- (iii)  $ker\mathbf{PJP} =$

$$\{\mathbf{U} \in \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{C}) : \mathbf{U} \equiv \overline{\mathbf{U}}(x_1, x_2) = (U_1(x_1, x_2), U_2(x_1, x_2), U_3(x_1, x_2))\}.$$

(iv) On  $(\ker \mathbf{PJP})^{\perp}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) = \exp(-\mathbf{PJP}\Omega t)$  is diagonalized in the curleigenvector functions basis, with eigenvalues  $\exp(\pm i\Omega \sigma_n t) = \exp(\pm i\Omega \frac{\tilde{n}_3}{\lambda_n} t)$ 

Completeness of the eigenfunctions of **PJP** follows from that of the *curl* eigenfunctions in  $\mathbf{J}^0$ , Eq. (2.11), and every real valued solenoidal field  $\mathbf{U}^{\perp}$  satisfying the boundary conditions (1.7), (1.19) and such that  $\overline{\mathbf{U}}^{\perp} = 0$ , can be expanded as:

$$\mathbf{U}^{\perp} = \sum_{n_1 > 0, n_2 > 0, n_2 > 0} (\mathbf{U}_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^{\perp} \Phi_{n_1, n_2, n_3} + \mathbf{U}_{n_1, -n_2, -n_3}^{\perp} \Phi_{n_1, -n_2, -n_3}), \quad (2.45)$$

where  $(\mathbf{U}_{n_1n_2n_3}^{\perp})^* = \mathbf{U}_{n_1,-n_2,-n_3}^{\perp}$ , and  $n_1$  designates the indexing of  $\beta_{n_1}(n_2,n_3,\alpha)$  for solutions of (2.30),  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$  the usual azimuthal and vertical wavenumbers. In the next sections, we use the short hand notation  $\mathbf{U}_n^{\perp} = \mathbf{U}_{n_1n_2n_3}^{\perp}$ ,  $\Phi_n = \Phi_{n_1n_2n_3}$  and for concision's sake,  $-n = (n_1, -n_2, -n_3)$ ,  $\mathbf{U}_{-n}^{\perp} = \mathbf{U}_{n_1-n_2-n_3}^{\perp}$ ,  $\Phi_{-n} = \Phi_{n_1-n_2-n_3}$ , with the

understanding that any convolution operator acts only on the Fourier wavenumbers  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$ ; for example:

$$(\mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{V})_n = \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3: m_2 + k_2 = n_2; k_1, k_2, k_3: m_3 + k_3 = n_3} (\Phi_k \times \Phi_m, \Phi_n) U_k V_m, \quad (2.46)$$

for both **U** and **V** in  $(ker\mathbf{PJP})^{\perp}$ .

Remark 2.10. We note that

$$\mathbf{V}(t,y) = \frac{\Omega}{2}e_3 \times y + \exp(\frac{\Omega}{2}\mathbf{J}t)\Phi_n(\exp(-\frac{\Omega}{2}\mathbf{J}t)y)\exp(\pm i\frac{\check{n}_3}{|\lambda_n|}\Omega t), \qquad (2.47)$$

where  $\Phi_n$  are *curl* eigenfunctions and  $\lambda_n$  the corresponding eigenvalues, are exact solutions of the full 3D nonlinear Euler equations. It follows from the fact that the second component in (2.47) is an Arnold-Beltrami-Childress (ABC) flow since  $\Phi_n$  is a *curl* eigenfunction; such 3D flows are characterized by colinear velocity and vorticity fields at every point in space and time ([2]), ([15]).

- 3. The structure and regularity of fast singular oscillating limit equations.
- 3.1. Fast singular oscillating limit equations. We introduce van der Pol transformation by setting in Eqs. (1.11)-(1.20)

$$\mathbf{U}(t) = \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}(t) \tag{3.1}$$

where  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  is the "slow envelope" variable also denoted in this paper by *Poincaré* variable. We note that  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) = \exp(-\Omega \mathbf{P} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{P} t)$  reduces to the identity operator on any barotropic (vertically averaged) field implying

$$\overline{\mathbf{U}} = \overline{\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}} = \overline{\mathbf{u}}.\tag{3.2}$$

Since  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega t)|_{t=0} = \mathbf{Id}$ 

$$\mathbf{U}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{u}|_{t=0}.\tag{3.3}$$

Eqs. (1.26) written in **u** variables have the form ([3])

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}),$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{E}(\Omega t) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) \mathbf{u})$$
(3.4)

where  $\mathbf{B}$  is given by Eqs. (1.27). We decompose

$$\mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}). \tag{3.5}$$

Here  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u})$  contains all  $\Omega t$ - dependent terms (that is non-resonant) and  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u})$  contains all resonant (that is  $\Omega t$ - independent) terms.

The fast singular oscillating limit equations ([3], [4]) are obtained from (3.4) for 'slow' Poincaré variables **w** by dropping  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u})$  in (3.5):

$$\partial_t \mathbf{w} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}), \tag{3.6}$$

$$\mathbf{w}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{w}(0) = \mathbf{U}(0) = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0. \tag{3.7}$$

Here the operator  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  is defined by (see Lemma 3.1 and section 4 for a rigorous statement)

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)) = \lim_{\Omega \to +\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \mathbf{B}(\Omega s, \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)) ds = \lim_{T \to +\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \mathbf{B}(\Omega s, \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)) ds$$

where arguments  $\mathbf{v}$  are s-independent functions; limits are taken in the sense of almost periodic functions in s with values in Banach spaces  $AP(\mathbf{R}; C^0([0,T]; \mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}))$  [9], [16]; see Section 4 for a detailed review and discussion.

The limit resonant operator  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  inherits properties of the operator  $\mathbf{B}$ :

LEMMA 3.1. ([4]): Let  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) \in H_1 \times H_1 \times H_1$ . Then

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{w}) = \lim_{\Omega \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (\mathbf{B}(\Omega s, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{w}) ds$$
(3.8)

$$= \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (\mathbf{B}(\Omega s, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{w}) ds; \tag{3.9}$$

in particular, for solenoidal fields u, v and w:

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{w}) = -(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}), \mathbf{v}). \tag{3.10}$$

From now on we shall restrict the initial data (1.12), (1.21), (1.29), (3.3), (3.7) to the closed (proper) subspace of  $\mathbf{J}^0 \cap \mathbf{H}^s_{\sigma}$ ,  $s \geq 3$ , s integer, defined by (with the potential vector  $curl^{-1}$  as in Theorem 2.7):

$$\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}(\mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{J}^{0} \cap \mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s} \cap curl^{-s}(\mathbf{J}^{0}). \tag{3.11}$$

We will similarly restrict solutions of Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) to the space  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}(\mathbf{C})$  (see Theorem 4.5).

REMARK 3.1.  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  is equivalent to  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{J}^{0} \cap \mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}$  and  $curl^{j} \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{J}^{0}, 0 \leq j \leq s$ . The complement of  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  in  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}$  includes functions such as  $curl^{-j}(\nabla \pi_{H}), 1 \leq j \leq s$  and is not dense even in  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1}$ . The case of more general initial conditions and functional spaces for Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) will be treated in [6].

We can explicit the limit resonant operator **B** with the help of the eigenfunctions  $\Phi_n = \Phi_{n_1 n_2 n_3}$  of *curl* and **PJP**, which form a basis in the space  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^s$ ; expand

$$\mathbf{u} = \sum_{n} u_n \Phi_n = \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \sum_{n} u_n^{\perp} \Phi_n, \tag{3.12}$$

and for every f in  $\mathbf{J}^0$ ,

$$\mathbf{E}(\Omega t)f = \overline{f} + \sum_{n} \exp(i\Omega\sigma_n t) f_n^{\perp} \Phi_n. \tag{3.13}$$

From the diagonalization of  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)$  and *curl* operator:

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} = \sum_{k,m:k_3,m_3 \neq 0} \overline{\mathbf{B}(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}_k^{\perp} \exp(-i\sigma_k \Omega t) \Phi_k, \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}_m^{\perp} \exp(-i\sigma_m \Omega t) \Phi_m)} +$$
(3.14)

$$\sum_{n:n_3\neq 0} \sum_{k,m:k_3,m_3\neq 0} (\mathbf{B}(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}_k^{\perp} \exp(-i\sigma_k\Omega t)\Phi_k, \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}_m^{\perp} \exp(-i\sigma_m\Omega t)\Phi_m), \Phi_n) \exp(i\sigma_n\Omega t)\Phi_n,$$

where k, m, n now index the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of *curl* and **PJP**.

The resonant nonlinear interactions of Poincaré waves with  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{U})$  are present when the Poincaré frequencies satisfy the relation  $\pm \sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n = 0$ ,  $k_3 + m_3 = n_3$ , with the resonant set K now defined in terms of vertical wavenumbers  $k_3, m_3, n_3$  and eigenvalues  $\pm \lambda_k, \pm \lambda_m, \pm \lambda_n$  of curl:

$$K = \{ \pm \frac{k_3}{\lambda_k} \pm \frac{m_3}{\lambda_m} \pm \frac{n_3}{\lambda_n} = 0, n_3 = k_3 + m_3, n_2 = k_2 + m_2 \}.$$
 (3.15)

Since the eigenvalues of curl are countable, so are the  $D_l(k, m, n) = \pm \sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n$ , where k, m, n are now indexing the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of **PJP** (and curl). This fully justifies the existence of a mean in the sense of almost periodic functions in the space  $AP(\mathbf{R}; C^0([0, T]; \mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}))$  for:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)) = \lim_{T \to +\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{0}^{T} \mathbf{E}(\Omega s) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{E}(-\Omega s) \mathbf{v}(t), \mathbf{E}(-\Omega s) \mathbf{v}(t)) ds, \quad (3.16)$$

since the frequency spectrum of  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega s)$  is countable, following the countability of  $D_l(k, m, n)$ .

Recall that  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}$  designates the projection of any  $\mathbf{w}$  onto the nullspace of  $\mathbf{PJP}$ , cf. Proposition 2.9, and  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  its projection onto the orthogonal complement of that nullspace (Eqs.(1.30)-(1.31)). We can further explicit the component  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})^{\perp}$  of the limit resonant operator  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})$ :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})^{\perp} = \mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) + \mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \tag{3.17}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}$  involves only strict two-wave resonances and  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}$  strict three-wave resonances; let:

$$\mathbf{w}^{\perp} = \sum_{m_1 m_2 m_3} w_{m_1 m_2 m_3}^{\perp} \Phi_{m_1 m_2 m_3}(r, \phi, z); \tag{3.18}$$

then

$$\mathbf{B}_{\mathrm{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})_{n} = \sum_{m, m_{3} = n_{3}, \beta_{m} = \beta_{n}} \left[ \left( curl \overline{\mathbf{w}} \times w_{m}^{\perp} \Phi_{m}, \Phi_{n} \right) + \left( w_{m}^{\perp} curl \Phi_{m} \times \overline{\mathbf{w}}, \Phi_{n} \right) \right], (3.19)$$

using the complex form of the *curl* eigenfunctions  $\Phi_{m_1,m_2,m_3} \equiv \Phi_m$  in Eqs.(2.29)-(2.31), with  $\beta_m \equiv \beta_{m_1 m_2 m_3}$ . Furthermore,

$$\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})_n = \sum_{k, m, n \in K^*} (curl\Phi_k \times \Phi_m, \Phi_n) w_k^{\perp} w_m^{\perp}; \tag{3.20}$$

here  $K^* \subset K$  designates the subset of strict 3-waves resonances,  $K^* \subset \{k, m, n \in K : k_3m_3n_3 \neq 0\}$ . In these formulas, we have explicitly used that the *curl* operator commutes with the projection operator onto the nullspace of **PJP**:

$$curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} = \overline{curl\mathbf{u}}, \ curl\mathbf{u}^{\perp} = (curl\mathbf{u})^{\perp}, \ curl\mathbf{u} = curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} + curl\mathbf{u}^{\perp}.$$
 (3.21)

These properties are important in proving that the nonlinear operator  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  commutes with vertical averaging. We have

THEOREM 3.2. The operator B commutes with vertical averaging. More precisely,

$$\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}}) = \mathbf{B}_{2D}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}}) = -\mathbf{P}(\overline{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \nabla \overline{\mathbf{w}}). \tag{3.22}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{w} = \overline{\mathbf{w}} + \mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  where the orthogonal field  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  verifies  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}^{\perp} = 0$ . Clearly,

$$\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \overline{\mathbf{w}}) + \overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})}$$
(3.23)

since  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}^{\perp} = 0$ . Thus, the theorem will be proven if we show that

$$\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})} = 0. \tag{3.24}$$

The proof actually uses skew-symmetry properties of the 2-waves resonant operator  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}$ , a corollary from the general skew-symmetry of  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  is Lemma 3.1. Let  $\overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\sigma}^{1}$  be the restriction of the Hilbert space  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1}$  to  $ker(\mathbf{PJP})$ 

$$\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1} = \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\sigma}^{1} + (\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1})^{\perp}. \tag{3.25}$$

Let  $\overline{\mathbf{u}}$  be any element in  $\overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\sigma}^1$ ,  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  any element in  $(\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^1)^{\perp}$ . To prove that  $\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})} = 0$ , it suffices to show that

$$(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = 0, \tag{3.26}$$

for any  $\overline{\mathbf{u}}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$ . Now with (, ) denoting the *complex* inner product in  $L^2$ , using  $k_3 = -m_3$ ,  $\pm k_3/\lambda_k \pm m_3/\lambda_m = 0$ ,  $|\lambda_k| = |\lambda_m|$ , hence  $\beta_k = \beta_m$ , we obtain:

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = \sum_{k, m, k_3 + m_3 = 0, \beta_k = \beta_m} (w_k curl\Phi_k \times w_m \Phi_m, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = \sum_{k, n, k_3 = n_3, \beta_k = \beta_n} (w_k curl\Phi_k \times w_{-n} \Phi_{-n}, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = -\sum_{k, m, k_3 = n_3, \beta_k = \beta_n} (w_k curl\Phi_k \times \overline{\mathbf{u}}, w_n \Phi_n), \qquad (3.27)$$

where we set m=-n, note that  $\beta_{-n}=\beta_n$ , and use  $w_n=(w_{-n})^*$ ,  $\Phi_n=(\Phi_{-n})^*$ , \* denoting complex conjugate. Here the short hand notation -n has been introduced at the end of Section 2. It then suffices to prove that the last term is identically null for every  $\overline{\mathbf{u}}$ ; this term actually involves a component of  $\mathbf{B}_{\Pi}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})$ . Apply the skew-symmetry Lemma 3.1 to  $\mathbf{u} \equiv \overline{\mathbf{u}}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}^{\perp} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \equiv \mathbf{v}^{\perp}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} \equiv \mathbf{w}^{\perp}$ ,  $\overline{\mathbf{v}} = \overline{\mathbf{w}} = 0$ , to obtain:

$$(\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^{\perp}), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) + (\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{v}^{\perp}, \mathbf{v}^{\perp}), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = -(\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \mathbf{v}^{\perp}) - (\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{v}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \mathbf{v}^{\perp}).$$
(3.28)

Set  $\mathbf{v}^{\perp} = \mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  in the above. From the expression for  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})$  in (3.20) and the skew-symmetry of the triple vector product, it can easily be proven that  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = 0$  for every  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  in  $(\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1})^{\perp}$ . Now, from the representation of  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}$  in (3.19):

$$(\mathbf{B}_{\Pi}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = \sum_{m, n, m_3 = n_3, \beta_m = \beta_n} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_m \Phi_m, w_n \Phi_n) + \sum_{k, n, k_3 = n_3, \beta_k = \beta_n} (w_k curl\Phi_k \times \overline{\mathbf{u}}, w_n \Phi_n).$$
(3.29)

We now show that the first term on the right hand side of the previous equation is null:

$$\sum_{m,n,m_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{m}=\beta_{n}} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_{m}\Phi_{m}, w_{n}\Phi_{n}) =$$

$$-\sum_{m,n,m_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{m}=\beta_{n}} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_{n}^{*}\Phi_{n}^{*}, w_{m}^{*}\Phi_{m}^{*}) =$$

$$-\sum_{m,n,m_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{m}=\beta_{n}} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_{-n}\Phi_{-n}, w_{-m}\Phi_{-m}), \qquad (3.30)$$

and relabeling -n = m, -m = n (with the short hand notations introduced at the end of Section 2), using  $\beta_{-m} = \beta_m$ ,  $\beta_{-n} = \beta_n$ ,

$$= -\sum_{m,n,m_3=n_3,\beta_m=\beta_n} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_m \Phi_m, w_n \Phi_n) = 0.$$
 (3.31)

Since  $\mathbf{B}_{II}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = 0$ , it now follows from (3.29)

$$\sum_{k,n,k_3=n_3,\beta_k=\beta_n} (w_k curl\Phi_k \times \overline{\mathbf{u}}, w_n \Phi_n) = 0,$$
(3.32)

for every  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$  in  $(\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1})^{\perp}$ . From (3.27) we conclude that

$$(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = 0, \tag{3.33}$$

for every  $\overline{\mathbf{u}}$  and every  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$ , and  $\overline{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp},\mathbf{w}^{\perp})}=0$  for every  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}$ .  $\square$ 

The above proof only uses the intrinsic algebraic properties of the resonant operators  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})^{\perp}$  and avoids using the specific formulas for the complex eigenfunctions  $\Phi_n$ , including distinguishing between the eigenvalues  $\pm \lambda_{m_1 m_2 m_3}$ .

**3.2. Strict 3-wave resonances.** In this section we show that for all values of  $\alpha$ , except a countable set, the resonant sets lie in  $\{k_3m_3n_3=0\}$ . This is generic case of no strict 3-wave resonances.

In the case of strict 3-wave resonances we have  $k_3m_3n_3\neq 0$  and the resonant equations become

$$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta_{k_1}^2(k_2, k_3\alpha)}{k_3^2\alpha^2} + 1}} \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta_{m_1}^2(m_2, m_3\alpha)}{m_3^2\alpha^2} + 1}} \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta_{n_1}^2(n_2, n_3\alpha)}{n_3^2\alpha^2} + 1}} = 0.$$
 (3.34)

We also have convolutions in the azimuthal  $\phi$  and the axial z directions implying  $n_3 = k_3 + m_3$ ,  $n_2 = k_2 + m_2$ . We recall that for every pair of integers  $k_2$  and  $k_3$  the quantities  $\beta_{k_1}(k_2, k_3\alpha)$  are found from the equation

$$\beta J_{k_2}'(\beta) \pm k_2 J_{k_2}(\beta) \sqrt{\frac{\beta_{k_1}^2(k_2, k_3\alpha)}{k_3^2\alpha^2} + 1} = 0.$$
 (3.35)

For every pair of integers  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ , Eqs. (3.35) have a countable number of solutions denoted by  $\beta(k_1, k_2, k_3\alpha)$ ;  $k_1 = 1, 2, 3...$  Similarly, for  $\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3\alpha)$  and  $\beta(n_1, n_2, n_3\alpha)$ .

Eqs. (3.34) can be written in the form

$$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{X}} \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} = 0 \tag{3.36}$$

where

$$\frac{\beta^2(k_1, k_2, k_3 \alpha)}{k_3^2 \alpha^2} + 1 = X \leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\beta J_{k_2}'(\beta)}{k_2 J_{k_2}(\beta)}\right)^2 = X,\tag{3.37}$$

with similar expressions for Y and Z.

Substituting Eqs. (3.35) in Eqs. (3.34) we obtain

$$\pm \frac{k_2 J_{k_2}(\beta(k_1, k_2, k_3 \alpha))}{\beta(k_1, k_2, k_3 \alpha) J_{k_2}'(\beta(k_1, k_2, k_3 \alpha))} \pm \frac{m_2 J_{m_2}(\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3 \alpha))}{\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3 \alpha) J_{m_2}'(\beta(m_1, m_2, m_3 \alpha))}$$

$$\pm \frac{n_2 J_{n_2}(\beta(n_1, n_2, n_3 \alpha))}{\beta(n_1, n_2, n_3 \alpha) J_{n_2}'(\beta(n_1, n_2, n_3 \alpha))} = 0. \tag{3.38}$$

In Eqs. (3.38)  $k_2$ ,  $m_2$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $k_3$ ,  $m_3$ ,  $n_3 \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $k_1, m_1, n_1 = 1, 2, 3, ...$  Also,  $n_2 = k_2 + m_2$  and  $n_3 = k_3 + m_3$ . In fact, we can think of Eqs. (3.38) as a countable set of nonlinear equations for  $\alpha$ . Clearly, for every fixed  $k_j, m_j, n_j$  Eq. (3.38) has at most a countable number of solutions  $\alpha$ . Thus, we have a countable number of equations and each equation has at most a countable number of solutions  $\alpha$ . Therefore, the set of parameters  $\alpha$ 's for which strict 3-wave resonances can occur is countable and discrete.

Proposition 3.3. The set  $K^*$  of parameters  $\alpha$ 's for which strict 3-wave resonances can occur is countable and discrete.

3.3. Regularity of fast singular oscillating limit equations. In the generic case of no strict 3-wave resonances  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{III}} = 0$  and the limit Euler equations (1.35) become

$$\partial_t \mathbf{w}^{\perp} = \mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t), \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \ \mathbf{w}^{\perp}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(0) = \mathbf{U}^{\perp}(0) = \mathbf{U}(0) - \overline{\mathbf{U}}(0).$$
 (3.39)

where  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t)$  satisfies 2D Euler equations with vertically averaged initial data  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}|_{t=0} = \overline{\mathbf{w}}(0) = \overline{\mathbf{U}}(0)$ . Eqs. (3.39) for  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t)$  are solved with periodic boundary conditions in the third coordinate and  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{N}|_{\Gamma} = 0$ . We also have  $\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{w}^{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{N}|_{\Gamma} = 0$ .

Eqs. (3.39) possess new 3D conservation laws:

THEOREM 3.4. Let  $\overline{\mathbf{w}}(t)$  be a solution of 2D-3C Euler Eqs. (1.34). Then for every  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t)$  solution of Eqs. (3.39) with initial data  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(0)$  we have:

$$||\partial_3 \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t)||^2 = ||\partial_3 \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(0)||^2,$$
 (3.40)

where  $\partial_3$  denotes the partial derivative with respect to  $x_3$ .

*Proof.* Applying  $\partial_3$  to Eqs. (3.39) and using skew-symmetry property

$$(\mathbf{B}_{\text{II}}(\overline{\mathbf{w}}, \partial_3 \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \partial_3 \mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = 0$$

we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}||\partial_3 \mathbf{w}^\perp||^2 = 0. \tag{3.41}$$

Moreover, for the initial data and solutions in the function space  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$ , we have further conservation laws:

THEOREM 3.5. Let  $\mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t)$  be solutions of the limit equations (3.39) in the space  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  defined in (3.11). We have, for  $0 \leq j \leq s$ , j even:

$$||curl^{j} \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(t)||^{2} = ||curl^{j} \mathbf{w}^{\perp}(0)||^{2}.$$
 (3.42)

*Proof.* Proceed as in the proof of Theorem 3.2, but with  $k_3 = n_3$  (and  $m_3 = 0$ ) or with  $m_3 = n_3$  (and  $k_3 = 0$ ), together with  $\lambda_k^2 = \lambda_n^2$ ,  $\beta_k^2 = \beta_n^2$  (resp.  $\lambda_m^2 = \lambda_n^2$ ,  $\beta_m^2 = \beta_n^2$ ). We have

$$(curl^{j}\mathbf{B}_{II}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), curl^{j}\mathbf{w}^{\perp}) = \sum_{m,n,m_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{m}=\beta_{n}} (curl\overline{\mathbf{u}} \times w_{m}^{\perp}\Phi_{m}, \lambda_{n}^{2j}w_{n}^{\perp}\Phi_{n}) + \sum_{k,n,k_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{k}=\beta_{n}} (w_{k}^{\perp} curl\Phi_{k} \times \overline{\mathbf{u}}, \lambda_{n}^{2j}w_{n}^{\perp}\Phi_{n}). \quad (3.43)$$

Consider the second term on the right hand side of (3.43):

$$\sum_{k,n,k_{3}=n_{3},\beta_{k}=\beta_{n}} (w_{k}^{\perp} curl \Phi_{k} \times \overline{\mathbf{u}}, \lambda_{n}^{2j} w_{n}^{\perp} \Phi_{n}) =$$

$$- \sum_{k,n,k_{3}+n_{3}=0,\beta_{k}=\beta_{n}} (w_{k}^{\perp} curl \Phi_{k} \times \lambda_{n}^{2j} w_{n}^{\perp} \Phi_{n}, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) =$$

$$- \sum_{k,n,k_{3}+n_{3}=0,\beta_{k}=\beta_{n}} (w_{k}^{\perp} curl curl^{j} \Phi_{k} \times w_{n}^{\perp} curl^{j} \Phi_{n}, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) =$$

$$- (\widetilde{\mathbf{B}} (curl^{j} \mathbf{w}^{\perp}, curl^{j} \mathbf{w}^{\perp}), \overline{\mathbf{u}}) = 0; \qquad (3.44)$$

where we have relabeled  $n \to -n$ ,  $w_{-n}^{\perp} \to w_n^{\perp}$ ,  $\Phi_{-n} \to \Phi_n$ , and used in an essential way  $\lambda_k^j = \lambda_n^j$  for j- even). From the operator splitting theorem 3.2 follows the nullity of the last term above. The nullity of the first term on the right hand side of (3.43) is proven in a similar manner.

Note that expansion along the eigenfunctions of curl and **PJP** requires their completeness at least in  $\mathbf{H}^1_{\nu}$ , cf. Remark 3.1.  $\square$ 

Note that 2D-3C Euler equations only admit conservation of energy and enstrophy. The above conservation laws (3.40)-(3.42) ensure global regularity of the limit Euler equations (3.39).

THEOREM 3.6. Let  $h/R \notin \mathcal{K}^*$ . Let  $||\mathbf{w}(0)||_{\mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}} \leq M_s, s \geq 1$ . Let  $T_1 > 0$  fixed, arbitrary large. Then there exists a unique regular solution  $\mathbf{w}(t)$  of the limit resonant 3D Euler equations (3.6)-(3.7), for  $0 \leq t \leq T_1$ :

$$||\mathbf{w}(t)||_{\mathbf{H}_{u}^{s}} \leq \tilde{M}_{s}(h/R, M_{s}, T_{1}). \tag{3.45}$$

4. Long time regularity for finite large  $\Omega$ . Two major obstacles in extending the fast singular oscillating limit methods developed in [3]-[5] from the periodic lattice case to the cylinder (as well as other axisymmetric domains) are that: (i) **PJP** is not skew-symmetric with respect to the inner product of classical Sobolev spaces  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}(\mathbf{C})$ ,  $s \geq 1$ ; (ii)  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega t)$  is not an isometry in these spaces ( $\nabla$  does not commute with **PJP** and  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega t)$ ). Item (i) implies that a priori estimates of Eqs. (1.11)-(1.12) in

Sobolev spaces are  $1/\epsilon = \Omega$  dependent; and (ii) that estimates for  $\mathbf{u}(t,x)$ , the Poincaré slow variable (van der Pol transformation of  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ , Eq.(3.1)) are not invariant for the physical variable  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$ . That invariance was used in an essential way in the convergence proofs of [3]-[5] (periodic case). The resolution of the above requires the introduction of Hilbert spaces with the metric based on the operator *curl*-norms, with norms equivalent to that of  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s}(\mathbf{C})$ , s integer,  $s \geq 1$ .

As before (cf. Eq. 3.11), we restrict ourselves to initial data and solutions in the spaces  $(s \ge 3)$ :

$$\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}(\mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{J}^{0} \cap \mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{s} \cap curl^{-s}(\mathbf{J}^{0}), \tag{4.1}$$

such that  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  implies  $\operatorname{curl}^{j} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{N} = 0$  on  $\Gamma$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq s$  More general functional spaces dense in  $\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^{1}$  will be treated in [6].

LEMMA 4.1. Let  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$ ,  $s \geq 1$ . Then there exist constants  $C_{1}, C_{2} > 0$  such that:

$$C_1||\mathbf{v}||_{\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^s} \le ||\mathbf{v}||_{\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^s} \le C_2||\mathbf{v}||_{\mathbf{H}_{\sigma}^s},\tag{4.2}$$

where

$$||\mathbf{v}||_{\mathbf{H}^s}^2 = ||curl^s \mathbf{v}||_{L_2}^2. \tag{4.3}$$

*Proof.* Iterated applications of Theorem 2.7 and 2.8, we have equivalence of the "curl-norms" with the usual Sobolev space norms.  $\square$ 

From now on, we designate by  $||\mathbf{v}||_s$  the curl-norm of  $\mathbf{v}$  defined in Eq. 4.3, and by  $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_s$  the corresponding inner product of  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}$ . We have the:

LEMMA 4.2. Let  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}, s \geq 0$ ; then we have skew-symmetry in the curl-norms:

$$\langle PJPu, v \rangle_s = -\langle u, PJPv \rangle_s$$
 (4.4)

and

$$\langle \mathbf{PJPu}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_s = 0.$$
 (4.5)

*Proof.* Obvious for s = 0; we outline the case s = 1:

$$(curl\mathbf{PJPu}, curl\mathbf{v})_{L_2} = \left(-\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial z}, curl\mathbf{v}\right)_{L_2} = \left(\mathbf{u}, curl\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial z}\right)_{L_2}$$
$$= \left(curl\mathbf{u}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial z}\right)_{L_2} = -(curl\mathbf{u}, curl\mathbf{PJPv})_{L_2},$$

since both  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial z}$  satisfies the conditions of Lemma 2.4. The cases s>1 follows a similar proof.  $\square$ 

The all important Lemmas 4.1, 4.2 allow for local estimates of solutions to the 3D Euler equations (1.11)-(1.12) which are  $1/\epsilon = \Omega$  independent.

Corollary 4.3. The Poincaré-Sobolev unitary operator  $E(\Omega t)$  is an isometry on the curl spaces  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}, s \geq 0$ ; in particular,

$$||\mathbf{U}||_s = ||\mathbf{u}||_s,\tag{4.6}$$

where  $\mathbf{U}(t) = \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}(t)$ .

COROLLARY 4.4. For every  $\mathbf{U}$ , every  $\mathbf{V}$  in the curl spaces  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$ , we have

$$||\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V})||_{s} \le ||\mathbf{U}||_{s}||\mathbf{V}||_{s+1}, \ s \ge 2;$$

$$|(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}), \mathbf{V})_{s}| \le ||\mathbf{U}||_{s}||\mathbf{V}||_{s}^{2}, \ s \ge 3;$$

$$|(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}), \mathbf{V})_{2}| \le ||\mathbf{U}||_{3}||\mathbf{V}||_{2}^{2}, \tag{4.7}$$

and the same estimates hold for  $\mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ .

*Proof.* These are exactly Kato's estimates in classical Sobolev spaces [19]. The estimates in the curl spaces  $\mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}$  immediately follow from Lemma 4.1 and Corollary 4.3.

To establish long time regularity of the 3D Euler equations Eqs. (1.20)-(1.21) on  $0 \le t \le T_M$ ,  $T_M$  fixed, arbitrary large, we first establish convergence in  $\mathbf{H}^s_{\nu}$  (as  $\Omega \to \infty$ ) of the solution to that of the limit resonant equations (1.34)-(3.39) on the interval  $[0, T_s]$ , where  $T_s$  is some local time of existence of (1.20)-(1.21). We only consider the case of "catalytic resonances",  $h/R \notin \mathcal{K}^*$ . With the help of the long time existence of solutions to the limit resonant equations on  $[0, T_M]$ , cf. Theorem 3.6, we extend local regularity on  $[0, T_s]$  to long-time regularity on  $[0, T_M]$  by partitioning  $[0, T_M]$  into subintervals of length  $T_s$  and bootstrapping estimates.

THEOREM 4.5. Let  $\mathbf{U}(0) \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{\beta}, \beta \geq 3$  and  $||\mathbf{U}(0)||_{\beta} \leq M_{0\beta}$ , where the  $\beta$ -norm is the curl-norm (4.3). Then:

(i) there exists  $T_{\beta} > 0$  such that there exists a unique regular solution of the 3D Euler equations on  $0 \le t \le T_{\beta}$  which satisfies

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{\beta}^{2} \le M_{\beta}^{2}, \quad 0 \le t \le T_{\beta}; \tag{4.8}$$

moreover  $M_{\beta}$ ,  $T_{\beta}$  do not depend on  $\Omega$ , but only on  $M_{0\beta}$ , h/R.

(ii) For every  $\alpha$  such that  $\beta \geq \alpha \geq 3$ , there exists a constant  $C(\beta)$  such that

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{\beta}^{2} \leq \left(||\mathbf{U}(0)||_{\beta}^{2}\right) \exp\left(\left(C(\beta) \int_{0}^{T_{\beta}} ||\mathbf{V}(\tau)||_{\alpha} d\tau\right) + T_{\beta}\right), \tag{4.9}$$

where  $\alpha$  can be fixed independently of  $\beta$ .

*Proof.* (i) is proven by a straightforward adaptation of the proof of Kato [19] in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  to the cylinder  $\mathbf{C}$ , replacing the usual Sobolev spaces by the spaces  $\mathbf{H}^{\beta}_{\nu}$ . Kato's method is a vanishing viscosity limit via local existence for the Navier-Stokes equations (the latter via fixed-point construction, not a Galerkin approximation). That estimates are uniform in  $\Omega$  stems from Lemma 4.1 and 4.2. (ii) can then be derived exactly as in Theorem 4.1 of [3], replacing Fourier methods by curl eigenvector function expansions.  $\square$ 

We now proceed to estimate the error between solutions  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  of Eqs. (3.4)-(3.5) with finite large  $\Omega$ 

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}),\tag{4.10}$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{E}(\Omega t)\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}) = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \quad (4.11)$$

and solutions  $\mathbf{w}(t)$  of the limit resonant 3D Navier-Stokes equations

$$\partial_t \mathbf{w} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}), \tag{4.12}$$

$$\mathbf{w}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{w}(0) = \mathbf{U}(0) = \mathbf{u}(0).$$
 (4.13)

Let

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{w}(t), \ \mathbf{r}(0) = 0. \tag{4.14}$$

Recall that  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega t)$  is an isometry on the curl spaces  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  spaces. Therefore, estimates for norms of  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  yield estimates for the norms of the error

$$\mathbf{R}(t) = \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)(\mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{w}(t)) = \mathbf{U}(t) - \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{w}(t). \tag{4.15}$$

The equation for the error  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \int_0^t \left( \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{r}) + \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega s, \mathbf{u}(s), \mathbf{u}(s)) \right) ds, \tag{4.16}$$

where

$$\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)) = \mathbf{E}(\Omega t) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t) \mathbf{u}(t)) - \mathbf{B}_{2D}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) - \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u})^{\perp}.$$
(4.17)

Note that the expansion of  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}$  along eigenfunctions of curl is exactly the expansion in the right hand side of (3.14), with  $(\mathbf{B}_{2D}(\overline{\mathbf{u}}, \overline{\mathbf{u}}) + \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u})^{\perp})$  removed. We have

THEOREM 4.6. Assume that the regular solution  $\mathbf{U}(t)$  of Eq. (1.11), (1.20) with initial condition  $||\mathbf{U}(0)||_s \leq M_{s0}$  exists on  $0 \leq t \leq T_s$ , for some  $T_s$  (not necessary small), with  $||\mathbf{U}(t)||_s \leq \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s(\mathbf{M}_{s0}, T_s, h/R)$ . Then under conditions  $\alpha \geq 2$ ,  $s - \alpha \geq 2$  we have

$$||\mathbf{r}(t)||_{\alpha} \le \delta(\Omega), \ \forall t \in [0, T_s],$$
 (4.18)

where  $\delta(\Omega) \to 0$  as  $\Omega \to +\infty$ ;  $T_s$  is independent from  $\Omega$ ;  $\delta(\Omega)$  depends on  $M_{s0}$ ,  $T_s$ ,  $\alpha$ , s, and h/R.

Recall that **PJP** is skew-symmetric under inner product in the curl-norm spaces, therefore, local small time existence for (3.4)-(3.5) is independent of  $\Omega$ .

To prove this convergence result we notice that the first two terms inside the integral on the right hand side of (4.16) are linear in  $\mathbf{r}$  and we only need to show that the contribution of  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}$  can be made arbitrary small as  $\epsilon = 1/\Omega \to 0$ . From (4.17) and (3.14) note that  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\tau/\epsilon, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$  is an almost periodic function of  $\tau$  with values in  $C^0([0, T_s]; \mathbf{H}^{\alpha}_{\nu})$  since the set  $D_l(k, m, n) = \pm \sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n$  is countable.

To prove Theorem 4.6, we will need the nontrivial Theorem 4.12 for Banach space valued almost periodic functions. We recall some basic facts for such functions [9], [16]:

DEFINITION 4.7. Let  $F \in C^0(\mathbf{R}; X)$  where X is a Banach space. F is said to be almost periodic if and only if, given an  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a length  $L(\epsilon)$  such that each interval of **R** of length L contains an almost-period p associated to  $\epsilon$ :

$$sup_{\tau \in \mathbf{R}}||F(t+p) - F(t)||_{\tau} \le \epsilon. \tag{4.19}$$

We denote by  $AP(\mathbf{R}, X)$  the set of all such functions. For  $\mathbf{R}$ - valued almost periodic functions the mean exists:

Proposition 4.8. For any almost periodic function F with values in the Banach space X there exists the mean value

$$M\{F\} = \lim_{T \to +\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{T_0}^{T_0 + T} F(\tau) d\tau \in X; \tag{4.20}$$

this limit is independent of  $T_0$ , and the convergence is uniform in  $T_0$ .

To every  $F(\tau) \in AP(\mathbf{R}, X)$  is associated a unique formal Fourier series:

$$F(\tau) \sim \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} A_k \exp(i\omega_k \tau), \ A_k \in X, \tag{4.21}$$

where the set of frequencies  $\{\omega_k\}$  is a countable set  $I_{\omega}$ . This stems from

PROPOSITION 4.9. Let  $F(\tau) \in AP(X)$ . Then the quantity  $A(\omega) = M\{F(\tau)\exp(-i\omega\tau)\}$  is different from the null element of X only for a set at most countable values of  $\omega$ ,  $\omega_k \in I_\omega$ .

In (4.21) we define  $A_k = A(\omega_k)$  for those values of  $\omega$  for which  $A(\omega) \neq 0$ . Every  $F(\tau) \in AP(X)$  can be uniformly approximated by trigonometric polynomials.

PROPOSITION 4.10. Let  $F(\tau) \in AP(X)$ , with the formal Fourier series (4.21). Then there exists a sequence of trigonometric polynomials,

$$\Pi_m(\tau) = \sum_{k=1}^{N(m)} r_{k,m} A_k \exp(i\omega_k t), \ N = N(m),$$
(4.22)

which converges uniformly to F on the whole real line in the strong topology of X. The numbers  $r_{k,m}$  are rational, depend on  $\omega_k$  and m, but not on  $A_k$ . Moreover,  $0 \le r_{k,m} \le 1$  and:

$$\lim_{m \to +\infty} r_{k,m} = 1. \tag{4.23}$$

The polynomials  $\Pi_m(\tau)$  are called the Bochner-Fejer polynomials of the function  $F(\tau)$ . Vice-versa, the property of uniform approximation by a sequence of trigonometric polynomials with a countable set of frequencies ensures that the corresponding  $F(\tau) \in AP(X)$ .

We specifically consider functions in AP(X) where  $X = C^0([0,T]; H^s_{\nu})$ , for some T > 0.

THEOREM 4.11. Let  $\alpha \geq 2$ ,  $\beta \geq \alpha + 1$ ,  $\mathbf{U}(t)$  is defined in Theorem 4.4,  $0 \leq t \leq T_{\beta}$ . Let  $\mathbf{U}(t) = \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{u}(t)$ . Then  $\mathbf{B}(\Omega \tau, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)) = \mathbf{E}(\Omega \tau)\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{E}(-\Omega \tau)\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{E}(-\Omega \tau)\mathbf{u}(t))$  is an almost periodic function in  $\tau$ , with values in  $C^0([0, T_{\beta}]; \mathbf{H}^{\omega}_{\nu})$ .

*Proof.* From the isometry properties of  $\mathbf{E}(\Omega \tau)$  on the spaces  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$ , and the estimate for the bilinear term, we have

$$||\mathbf{B}(\Omega\tau, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))||_{\mathbf{H}_{\alpha}^{\alpha}} \le const||\mathbf{U}||_{\mathbf{H}_{\alpha}^{\alpha}}||\mathbf{U}||_{\mathbf{H}_{\alpha}^{\alpha}+1}, \tag{4.24}$$

for every  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $0 \le t \le T_{\beta}$ . Almost periodicity follows from the countability of the set of frequencies  $\pm \frac{k_3}{\lambda_k} \pm \frac{m_3}{\lambda_m} \pm \frac{n_3}{\lambda_n} = \pm \sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n$ , where  $\exp(\pm i\sigma_k\Omega\tau)$  are eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{E}(\pm\Omega\tau)_k$ , and the countability of the eigenvalues  $\pm\lambda_k$  of the *curl* operator; the sufficient condition for a function to belong to AP(X) is that it is uniformly approximated by a sequence of trigonometric polynomials with a countable set of frequencies.

To prove the error estimate Theorem 4.6 we need in a crucial way the following general result for almost periodic functions, for which we could not find a proof in the literature.

THEOREM 4.12. Let  $F(t,\tau) \in AP(\mathbf{R}; C_0([0,T_0]; \mathbf{E}))$  be almost periodic functions of the variable  $\tau$ , with values in  $C_0([0,T_0]; \mathbf{E})$ ,  $t \in [0,T_0]$ ,  $\mathbf{E}$  is a Hilbert space. Let

$$F(t,\tau) \sim \sum_{j \in J} F_j(t) \exp(i\omega_j \tau),$$
 (4.25)

in the sense of Banach space valued almost periodic functions in  $\tau$ ,  $F_j(t) \in C_0([0,T_0];\mathbf{E})$ , over the (countable) set J of frequencies. If

$$\sup_{\tau \in \mathbf{R}} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_0} ||F(t,\tau)||_{\mathbf{E}} \le M_f$$
, and if  $|\omega_j| \ge \eta > 0$  on  $J$  (4.26)

and if  $F(t,\tau)$  is uniformly Lipschitz in t

$$||F(t_2,\tau) - F(t_1,\tau)||_{\mathbf{E}} \le L_F|t_2 - t_1|,$$
 (4.27)

the latter uniformly on  $[0,T_0]$  and uniformly in  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ , then:

$$\mathbf{E} - \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T F(t, t/\epsilon) dt = 0; \tag{4.28}$$

and the limit also converges uniformly on  $0 \le T \le T_0$ .

Proof of Theorem 4.12. Let  $F(t,\tau) \sim \sum_{k=1}^{N(m)} A_k(t) \exp(i\omega_k \tau/\epsilon)$ , where  $A_k(t) \in C^0([0,T_0];E)$  and

$$A_k(t) = \lim_{T \to +\infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T F(t, \tau) \exp(-i\omega_k \tau) d\tau, \tag{4.29}$$

in the topology of  $C^0([0, T_0]; E)$ . From the above, and the hypothesis of the theorem, we easily deduce

$$sup_{0 \le t \le T_0} ||A_k(t)||_E \le M_f,$$

$$||A_k(t_2) - A_k(t_1)||_E \le L_f |t_2 - t_1|, \ \forall t_1, t_2 \in [0, T_0].$$

$$(4.30)$$

Given some  $\eta^*$ , consider the Bochner-Fejer polynomial  $\Pi_m$  uniformly approximating  $F(t,\tau)$  with the error  $\eta^*$  in the topology of  $C^0([0,T_0];E)$ :

$$\Pi_{m}(t,\tau) = \sum_{k=1}^{N(m)} r_{km} A_{k}(t) \exp(i\omega_{k}\tau), 
\sup_{\tau \in \mathbf{R}} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{0}} ||F(t,\tau) - P_{m}(t,\tau)||_{E} \le \eta^{*},$$
(4.31)

in the above, set:

$$a_k(t) = r_{km} A_k(t), \tag{4.32}$$

and since  $0 \le r_{km} \le 1$ , clearly

$$sup_{0 \le t \le T_0} ||a_k(t)||_E \le M_f,$$

$$||a_k(t_2) - a_k(t_1)||_E \le L_f |t_2 - t_1|, \ \forall t_1, t_2 \in [0, T_0].$$

$$(4.33)$$

We now proceed to estimate  $\int_0^T F(t, t/\epsilon) dt$ ; replacing  $\tau$  by  $t/\epsilon$  on  $\Pi_m(t, \tau)$ , we have:

$$||\int_{0}^{T} F(t, t/\epsilon) dt||_{E} \le ||\int_{0}^{T} \Pi_{m}(t, t/\epsilon) dt||_{E} + \eta^{*} T.$$
(4.34)

We proceed to estimate the integral of  $\Pi_m(t, t/\epsilon)$ :

$$\int_{0}^{T} \Pi_{m}(t, t/\epsilon) dt = \sum_{k=1}^{N(m)} \int_{0}^{T} a_{k}(t) \exp(i\omega_{k}t/\epsilon) dt =$$

$$-\sum_{k=1}^{N} \int_{0}^{T} a_{k}(t) \exp(i\omega_{k}(t + \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}})/\epsilon) dt =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N} (\int_{0}^{T} a_{k}(t) \exp(i\omega_{k}t/\epsilon) dt - \int_{\frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}}^{T + \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}} a_{k}(t - \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}) \exp(i\omega_{k}t/\epsilon) dt) =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N} (\int_{\frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}}^{T} (a_{k}(t) - a_{k}(t - \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}})) \exp(i\omega_{k}t/\epsilon) dt +$$

$$\int_{0}^{\frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}} a_{k}(t) \exp(i\omega_{k}t/\epsilon) dt + \int_{T}^{T + \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}} a_{k}(t - \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\omega_{k}}) \exp(i\omega_{k}t) dt, \quad (4.35)$$

where in the last equation, we use the hypothesis  $\frac{1}{|\omega_k|} \leq \frac{1}{\eta}$  on the set J of frequencies, to choose  $\epsilon$  small enough to ensure  $\frac{\epsilon \pi}{|\omega_k|} << 1$ . Using uniform bounds and uniform Lipschitzianity of the  $a_k(t)$ , we obtain:

$$\left|\left|\int_{0}^{T} \Pi_{m}(t, t/\epsilon) dt\right|\right|_{E} \leq \frac{N(m)}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon \pi}{|\omega_{k}|} L_{f} T + 2 \frac{\epsilon \pi}{|\omega_{k}|} M_{f}\right) \leq \frac{N(m)}{2} \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\eta} T(L_{f} + 2M_{f}/T), \tag{4.36}$$

and

$$||\int_{0}^{T} F(t, t/\epsilon)dt||_{E} \le \frac{N(m)}{2} \frac{\epsilon \pi}{\eta} T(L_{f} + 2M_{f}/T) + \eta^{*}T.$$
(4.37)

Given any  $\delta$ , we first choose  $\eta^*$  such that  $\eta^*T_0 < \delta/3$ , which fixes m and N(m). Then given  $T_0, \eta, N(m)$ , choose  $\epsilon$  such that  $\frac{\epsilon \pi}{\eta} \frac{N(m)}{2} T_0 L_f \leq \frac{\delta}{3}$ , and  $\frac{\epsilon \pi}{\eta} N(m) M_f \leq \frac{\delta}{3}$ .  $\square$ 

Proof of Theorem 4.6. The  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{\alpha}$ -norm of  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  satisfies:

$$\frac{1}{2}||\mathbf{r}(T)||_{\alpha}^{2} = \int_{0}^{t} \left( (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{r}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha} + (\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{w}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha} + (\mathbf{B}^{osc}(t/\epsilon, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)), \mathbf{r}(t))_{\alpha} \right) dt.$$
(4.38)

From Corollary 4.4., with  $\alpha \geq 2$ :

$$|(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{r}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha}| \leq ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha} ||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha}^{2} \text{ for } \alpha \geq 3,$$

$$\leq ||\mathbf{u}||_{3} ||\mathbf{r}||_{2}^{2} \text{ for } \alpha = 2;$$

$$|(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{w}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha}| \leq ||\mathbf{w}||_{\alpha+1} ||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha}^{2} \text{ for } \alpha \geq 2,$$

$$(4.39)$$

and since s is chosen  $s \geq \alpha + 2$ ,  $||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha} \leq \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s$ ,  $||\mathbf{w}||_{\alpha+1} \leq \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T_s$ . To apply Theorem 4.12 to  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$  one needs  $|\omega_j| = |\sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n| > \eta$ 

To apply Theorem 4.12 to  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$  one needs  $|\omega_j| = |\sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n| > \eta$  uniformly in k, m, n, For this, define  $\pi_R \mathbf{u}$  (similarly  $\pi_R \mathbf{w}$ ) the projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  onto the curl eigenvector functions with  $|\lambda_k|, |\lambda_m|, |\lambda_n| \leq R$ , with:

$$||\mathbf{u} - \pi_R \mathbf{u}||_{\mathbf{H}_u^{\alpha}} \le \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s R^{\alpha - s}, \ s > \alpha.$$
 (4.40)

Then  $|\pm \sigma_k \pm \sigma_m \pm \sigma_n| > \eta(R)$  for  $\pi_R \mathbf{u}$  in Eq. (4.17), which controls the small divisor estimate ([1]). Precisely,  $1/|D_l(k, m, n)| \leq 1/\eta(R)$ , for k, m, n not in the set K, where K is the resonance set defined in (3.15), whenever  $|\lambda_k|, |\lambda_m|, |\lambda_n| \leq R$ .

 $\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$  is decomposed as

$$\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) = \pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \pi_R \mathbf{u}, \pi_R \mathbf{u}) + \pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, (I - \pi_R) \mathbf{u}) + (4.41)$$
$$\pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, (I - \pi_R) \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) + (I - \pi_R) \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}).$$

The contributions of the last three terms on the right hand side of (4.41) to the time integral of  $\mathbf{B}^{osc}$  in (4.38) are estimated with the help of (4.40) and Corollary 4.4:

$$|(\pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, (I - \pi_R)\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha}| \le ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha} \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s R^{\alpha + 1 - s} ||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha} \le 2 \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s^3 R^{\alpha + 1 - s}, \quad (4.42)$$

$$|(\pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, (I - \pi_R)\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha}| \le ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha + 1} \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s R^{\alpha - s} ||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha} \le 2\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s^3 R^{\alpha - s}, \tag{4.43}$$

$$|((I - \pi_R)\mathbf{B}^{osc}(\Omega t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha})| \le ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha} ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha+1} ||\mathbf{r}||_{s} R^{\alpha-s} \le 2\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}^{3} R^{\alpha-s}, \tag{4.44}$$

where we estimate  $||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha} \leq ||\mathbf{u}||_{\alpha} + ||\mathbf{w}||_{\alpha} \leq 2\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}$ .

Finally apply Theorem 4.12 to the integral

$$\int_0^T (\pi_R \mathbf{B}^{osc}(t/\epsilon, \pi_R \mathbf{u}(t), \pi_R \mathbf{u}(t)), \mathbf{r})_{\alpha} dt, \text{ with } \mathbf{E} = C^0([0, T]; \mathbf{R}), \text{ and } \epsilon = 1/\Omega.$$
(4.45)

Let  $F(t,t/\epsilon)$  defined as the  $\alpha$ -inner product within (4.45). The only technical point left to verify is the uniform Lipschitzianity of  $F(t,t/\epsilon)$ . This is easily established via the Lipschitz properties of  $\mathbf{u}(t)$ ,  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{w}(t)$  on  $0 \le t \le T_s$ :

$$||\mathbf{u}(t_{2}) - \mathbf{u}(t_{1})||_{\alpha} \leq \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}^{2}|t_{2} - t_{1}|, \text{ for } s \geq \alpha + 1,$$

$$||\mathbf{r}(t_{2}) - \mathbf{r}(t_{1})||_{\alpha} \leq 2\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}^{2}|t_{2} - t_{1}|, \text{ for } s \geq \alpha + 1,$$

$$||\mathbf{u}(t_{2}) - \mathbf{u}(t_{1})||_{\alpha+1} \leq \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}^{2}|t_{2} - t_{1}|, \text{ provided } s \geq \alpha + 2,$$

$$(4.46)$$

and

$$|F(t_2, \tau/\epsilon) - F(t_1, \tau/\epsilon)| \le L_F |t_2 - t_1|,$$
 (4.47)

where  $L_F \leq 5\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s^4|t_2-t_1|$ , uniformly in  $\tau$ . To complete the proof, we first choose R large enough so that  $2\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s^3(R^{\alpha+1-s}+2R^{\alpha-s})$  is small enough. Once R fixed, we choose  $\Omega = 1/\epsilon$  large enough so that the integral  $|\int_0^T F(t,t/\epsilon)dt|$  is small enough. Conclusion follows from a straightforward Gronwall's lemma applied to

$$||\mathbf{r}||_{\alpha}^{2} \leq \int_{0}^{T} 4\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}||\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{t})||_{\alpha}^{2} dt + \gamma(\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{s}, \Omega), \tag{4.48}$$

where  $\gamma(\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_s, \Omega) \to 0$  as  $\Omega \to +\infty$ .  $\square$ 

In Theorem 4.6  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  converges strongly to  $\mathbf{w}(t)$ . The original  $\mathbf{U}(t)$  also converges strongly to  $\mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{w}(t)$ . But  $\mathbf{U}(t)$  has no strong limit in  $\mathbf{H}_{\nu}^{s}$  as  $\Omega \to \infty$ , hence the singular nature of the fast oscillating limit.

From the global regularity Theorem 3.6 for the 3D resonant Euler equations and Theorems 4.5-4.6 we bootstrap long-time regularity for Eqs.(1.11)-(1.12) for  $\Omega$  large but finite.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. We complete in some detail the proof of Theorem 1.2, as the bootstrapping arguments are rather different from the usual classical procedure for Navier-Stokes equations [23]. Let  $T_m$  fixed, arbitrary large. Let  $||\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_0(y)||_s = ||\mathbf{U}_0(x)||_s \leq M_{s0}, \ s \geq 4$ . From Theorem 3.6, with  $||\mathbf{w}(0)||_{\alpha} = ||\mathbf{U}_0||_{\alpha} \leq M_{\alpha 0} \leq M_{s0}$ , for some fixed  $\alpha \geq 3, s - \alpha \geq 1$ , there exists  $\tilde{M}_{\alpha}$  such that:

$$||\mathbf{w}(t)||_{\alpha} \le \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{\alpha}(M_{s0}, T_M, h/R) \quad \text{on } 0 \le t \le T_m, \tag{4.49}$$

for the solution of the resonant 3D Euler equations. We need the:

COROLLARY 4.13. Let  $||\mathbf{U}(t_1)||_{\alpha} \leq R_{\alpha}$  at some  $t_1 \geq 0, \alpha \geq 3, R_{\alpha} > 0$  given. Then there exists  $T_{\alpha}(R_{\alpha}, h/R)$  such that

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{\alpha} \le 4R_{\alpha} \quad \text{on } [t_1, t_1 + T_{\alpha}]; \tag{4.50}$$

moreover if  $\mathbf{U}(t_1) \in \mathbf{H}_{\nu}^s$  for some  $s > \alpha$ :

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{s}^{2} \leq ||\mathbf{U}(t_{1})||_{s}^{2} \exp\left\{\left(C(s)\left(\sup_{t_{1}\leq t\leq t_{1}+T_{\alpha}}||\mathbf{U}||_{\alpha}\right)+1\right)(t-t_{1})\right\}$$

$$\leq ||\mathbf{U}(t_{1})||_{s}^{2} \exp\left\{\left(4C(s)R_{\alpha}+1\right)(t-t_{1})\right\} \quad \text{on } [t_{1},t_{1}+T_{\alpha}]. \tag{4.51}$$

*Proof.* First, apply Theorem 4.5 with  $\alpha = \beta$  to derive Eqs. (4.50). Then apply (ii) in Theorem 4.5 with  $\beta = s$ .  $\square$ 

We now choose, with  $M_{\alpha}$  given by Eqs. (4.49):

$$R_{\alpha} = 3\tilde{M}_{\alpha},\tag{4.52}$$

hence  $T_{\alpha} = T_{\alpha}(M_{s0}, T_m, \alpha, h/R)$ . Let  $Q_{\alpha} = 4C(s)R_{\alpha} + 1$ . We define:

$$\tilde{M}_{s}^{2} = M_{s0}^{2} \exp Q_{\alpha}(T_{m} + T_{\alpha}),$$
(4.53)

and we shall demonstrate that:

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_s^2 \le \tilde{M}_s^2 \quad \text{on } 0 \le t \le T_m,$$
 (4.54)

by choosing  $\Omega$  large enough to make the error  $\delta(\Omega)$  (in Theorem 4.6) uniformly small on the sequence of intervals  $[0, T_{\alpha}], [T_{\alpha}, 2T_{\alpha}], ..., [nT_{\alpha}, (n+1)T_{\alpha}]$ , where  $nT_{\alpha} \leq T_m < (n+1)T_{\alpha}$ . We apply Theorem 4.6 on the global interval  $[0, T_m]$ , assuming a priori the estimate (4.54) (which will be shown self-consistent under bootstrapping); we choose such large  $\Omega$  that  $\delta(\Omega)$  is so small and the assertion of Theorem 4.6 holds with  $T_s \equiv T_m$ , and for  $\Omega \geq \Omega_1$ , the constant  $\delta(\Omega)$  satisfies:

$$\delta(\Omega) \le R_{\alpha}/2 \quad \text{for } \Omega \ge \Omega_1(\tilde{M}_s, T_m, \alpha, s, h/R);$$

$$\tag{4.55}$$

equivalently,  $\Omega_1$  depends only on  $M_{s0}, T_m, \alpha, s, h/R$ . Hence, for  $0 \le t \le T_m$ :

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{\alpha} \le ||\mathbf{U}(t) - \mathbf{E}(-\Omega t)\mathbf{w}(t)||_{\alpha} + ||\mathbf{w}(t)||_{\alpha} \le R_{\alpha}/2 + R_{\alpha}/3 \le R_{\alpha}. \tag{4.56}$$

We now apply Corollary 4.13 on  $[0, T_{\alpha}]$ , with the choice of  $R_{\alpha}$  in Eqs. (4.52):

$$||\mathbf{U}(T_{\alpha})||_{s}^{2} \le M_{s0}^{2} \exp(Q_{\alpha}T_{\alpha}).$$
 (4.57)

From the uniform estimate (4.56) for  $||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{\alpha}$ , valid at  $t = T_{\alpha}$ , we apply again Corollary 4.13 on  $[T_{\alpha}, 2T_{\alpha}]$ :

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{s}^{2} \le M_{s0}^{2} \exp(Q_{\alpha}T_{\alpha}) \exp(Q_{\alpha}T_{\alpha}); \tag{4.58}$$

and repeating the argument on the interval  $[kT_{\alpha}, (k+1)T_{\alpha}], k \leq n$ :

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_s^2 \le M_{s0}^2 \exp(kQ_\alpha T_\alpha) \exp(Q_\alpha T_\alpha),\tag{4.59}$$

since  $||\mathbf{U}(kT_{\alpha})||_{\alpha} \leq R_{\alpha}$ . Completing the bootstrapping, the maximal estimate for  $||\mathbf{U}(t)||_{s}^{2}$  occurs on  $[nT_{\alpha}, T_{m}]$ :

$$||\mathbf{U}(t)||_s^2 \le M_{s0}^2 \exp(nQ_\alpha T_\alpha) \exp(Q_\alpha (T_m - nT_\alpha))$$
  
$$\le \tilde{M}_s^2,$$

which corroborates the self-consistency of the choice  $||\mathbf{U}(t)||_s \leq \tilde{M}_s$  in the application of Theorem 4.6 for a uniform  $\delta(\Omega)$ . The proof of Theorem 1.2 is then completed with the canonical transformation (1.17)-(1.18) between  $\mathbf{V}(t,y)$  and  $\mathbf{U}(t,x)$  and its isometry properties.  $\square$ 

The case  $h/R \in \mathcal{K}^*$  includes the quadratic resonant operator  $\mathbf{B}_{III}(\mathbf{w}^{\perp}, \mathbf{w}^{\perp})$  in Eqs. (1.35). We have not found new conservation laws for the latter besides energy and helicity. A most interesting issue is the possibility of singularity and blow-up for the full resonant Euler equations (1.35). Partial results in the periodic lattice geometry are derived in [5], where (1.35) is demonstrated to be equivalent to a countable sequence of uncoupled finite dimension dynamical systems, in the generic case.

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