

Takeshita's examples for Leray's Inequality

Teppei KOBAYASHI

(Received April 1, 2011; Revised August 18, 2011)

Abstract. It is well known that Leray's Inequality holds under stringent outflow condition (*SOC*). But Leray's Inequality does not hold under general outflow condition (*GOC*). This fact has been proved by Takeshita [8]. But, Takeshita's argument is very complicated. The author succeeds in giving an alternative proof which is simpler than Takeshita's. Moreover, the result is an improvement of Takeshita's result.

Key words: Stationary Navier-Stokes equations, Leray's Inequality.

1. Problem and Main Theorem

We consider a stationary flow of an incompressible viscous fluid with the Dirichlet boundary conditions. Let Ω be a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^2 with a smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$ which has multiply connected components $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$. $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$ lie inside of Γ_0 . Ω is filled with an incompressible viscous fluid. $\mathbf{u} = (u_1(x), u_2(x))$ is the unknown velocity of the fluid motion and $p = p(x)$ is the unknown pressure of the fluid in Ω , while $\nu > 0$ is the given kinematic viscosity. Then the fluid motion governed by the Navier-Stokes equations is

$$-\nu\Delta\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla\mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad (1.1)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad (1.2)$$

with the Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{\beta} \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega, \quad (1.3)$$

where \mathbf{f} is the prescribed external force and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ is the given function defined on $\partial\Omega$. The boundary condition $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies the compatibility condition

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = 0, \quad (1.4)$$

where \mathbf{n} is the unit outward normal to $\partial\Omega$. We call the condition (1.4) “*General Outflow Condition*”, (*GOC*) in short. Moreover if the boundary condition $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies

$$\int_{\Gamma_j} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = 0 \quad (j = 0, \dots, J), \quad (1.5)$$

the condition (1.5) is called “*Stringent Outflow Condition*”, (*SOC*) in short.

Let \mathbf{b} be an extension of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ with divergence free. The proof of existence of the solution of the Navier-Stokes equations (1.1)–(1.3) depends on whether there is an extension \mathbf{b} of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ such that the term $((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b})$ is small. For example, the following Proposition is well known.

Proposition 1.1 *Suppose that Ω is a two or three dimensional smooth and bounded domain and $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{H}^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (*SOC*).*

Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists an extension $\mathbf{b}_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{H}^1(\Omega)$ of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ with divergence free such that \mathbf{b}_ε satisfies

$$|((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}_\varepsilon)| < \varepsilon \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_2^2 \quad (\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)). \quad (1.6)$$

We introduce some function spaces.

$$\mathbb{C}_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega) = \{\boldsymbol{\varphi} \in \mathbb{C}_0^\infty(\Omega); \operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\varphi} = 0 \text{ in } \Omega\},$$

$$\mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega) = \overline{\mathbb{C}_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega)}^{\|\nabla \cdot\|}.$$

$\|\cdot\|_2$ and (\cdot, \cdot) denotes the usual $\mathbb{L}^2(\Omega)$ norm and inner product on Ω respectively.

We call the estimate (1.6) “*Leray’s Inequality*”. We refer the proof to R. Finn [2], H. Fujita [4] or R. Temam [9, chap. II Section 1. Lemma 1.8]. But in this paper for the convenience of the readers, we define strictly “*Leray’s Inequality*”.

Definition 1.1 *Suppose that the boundary condition $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies (*GOC*). We say that $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies “*Leray’s Inequality*” if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists an extension $\mathbf{b}_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{H}^1(\Omega)$ of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ with divergence free such that the estimate (1.6) holds true for any $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)$.*

If $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies (*GOC*) but not (*SOC*), A. Takeshita [8] proves that for

the two dimensional annular domain $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^2; R_1 < |x| < R_2\}$, there exists a $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)$ such that the value of $((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b})$ does not depend on extensions \mathbf{b} of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$. Furthermore he obtained the following Proposition.

Proposition 1.2 (A. Takeshita [8, Theorem 2]) *Let Ω be a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^N ($N \geq 2$) with a smooth boundary $\partial\Omega = \cup_{i=0}^J \Gamma_i$, Γ_i being the connected component of $\partial\Omega$. Suppose that for each Γ_i ($i = 0, \dots, J$) there exists a diffeomorphism φ_i of $S^{N-1} \times [0, 1]$ into $\bar{\Omega}$ such that $\varphi_i(S^{N-1} \times \{0\}) = \Gamma_i$ and $\varphi_i(S^{N-1} \times \{1\})$ is a sphere contained in Ω and $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in C^\infty(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (GOC).*

Then the necessary and sufficient condition that $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies ‘‘Leray’s Inequality’’ is $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies (SOC).

In this paper we use the following condition.

Definition 1.2 (Domain Condition) We call a domain Ω satisfies ‘‘Domain Condition’’ if there exists at least one inner boundary Γ_j of Ω such that for a certain $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $l > 0$, Γ_j is contained in the ball $B(P, l)(:= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2; |x - P| < l\})$ and the sphere $\partial B(P, l)(:= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2; |x - P| = l\}) \subset \Omega$.

Hereafter we represent this condition as (DC).

Theorem 1.1 *Let Ω be a smooth and bounded domain with two boundaries Γ_0 and Γ_1 in \mathbb{R}^2 . Suppose that Ω satisfies (DC) and $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{H}^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (GOC).*

Then $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies ‘‘Leray’s Inequality’’ if and only if $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ fulfills (SOC).

Corollary 1.1 *Let Ω be a smooth and bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^2 with several boundaries $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$. Suppose that Ω satisfies (DC), that is to say, $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_N$ are contained in $B(P, l)$ for a certain $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $l > 0$ in such a way that $\partial B(P, l) \subset \Omega$ and rests $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_{N+1}, \dots, \Gamma_J$ lie outside of $B(P, l)$, and that $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{H}^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (GOC).*

If $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies ‘‘Leray’s Inequality’’, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \int_{\Gamma_i} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = 0 \tag{1.7}$$

holds true.

Corollary 1.2 *Let Ω be a smooth and bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^2 with several boundaries $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$. Suppose that there are J balls $B(P_1, l_1)$,*

..., $B(P_J, l_J)$ such that each $B(P_i, l_i)$ contains only one Γ_i and such that $\partial B(P_i, l_i) \subset \Omega$ for all $i = 1, \dots, J$, $\beta \in \mathbb{H}^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (GOC).

Then β satisfies “Leray’s Inequality” if and only if β fulfills (SOC).

Remark 1.1 From the condition of Corollary 1.2, each of the inner boundaries $\Gamma_j (j = 1, \dots, J)$ satisfies (DC).

Remark 1.2 From Definition 1.2, for a two dimensional bounded domain we slightly loosen the condition of the boundaries $\Gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$ for Proposition 1.2. A domain Ω may not be necessarily smooth. For example, the boundaries are C^1 class or locally lipschitzian, because Gauss-Green Theorem holds true. Definition 1.2 is useful if $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_J$ are smooth but not diffeomorphically formed to the sphere.

Remark 1.3 Corollary 1.1 and Corollary 1.2 hold true for various unbounded domains. For example, exterior domains, perturbed half spaces, infinite channels, etc. But “Domain Condition” are slightly different from respective domains.

Remark 1.4 Although Theorem 1.1 does not directly imply non-existence of solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations under (GOC), it suggests us to find an essentially new approach which is different from such a usual technique as subtracting solenoidal extensions of β .

Remark 1.5 In a certain two dimensional symmetric bounded domain, C. J. Amick [1] proved that there exist the symmetric solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations with the symmetric Dirichlet boundary conditions which satisfy (GOC). Under the same conditions, H. Fujita [3] proved that any symmetric function defined on the boundary with (GOC) has the extensions which satisfy symmetric types of “Leray’s Inequality”. For two or three dimensional bounded domains, H. Fujita and H. Morimoto [5] proved that there exist a weak solution of the stationary Navier-Stokes equations with the special boundary conditions. H. Kozono and T. Yanagisawa [7] proved that in three dimensional bounded domains there exist stationary solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations with the Dirichlet boundary conditions satisfying (GOC), using Helmholtz-Weyl decomposition and the harmonic part of the solenoidal extension of the given boundary data which is sufficiently small in the \mathbb{L}^3 space compared with the viscosity constant ν .

2. Proof

2.1. Proof of Theorem 1.1

First of all, let us prove Theorem 1.1 for the following domain. For certain l and l' with $0 < l < l'$

$$\Omega = B(O, l') \setminus \overline{B(O, l)}$$

holds true, where O is the origin. Γ_0 equals $\partial B(O, l')$ and Γ_1 equals $\partial B(O, l)$. We use the basis in the polar coordinate. Since $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{H}^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)$ satisfies (GOC), we set

$$\mu_1 := \int_{\Gamma_1} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS (\neq 0).$$

Let $l < r < l'$ and $\omega_r = B(0, r) \setminus B(0, l)$. Since $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{H}^1(\Omega)$ is an arbitrary extension of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ with divergence free, we see

$$0 = \int_{\omega_r} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{b} dx = \int_{\Gamma_0} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS + \int_{|x|=r} \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS.$$

Since $\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|}$ for $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_1$, it should be

$$\mu_1 = \int_0^{2\pi} \mathbf{b}(r, \theta) \cdot \mathbf{e}_r r d\theta.$$

We take a vector \mathbf{v} which has the form

$$\mathbf{v} = v_\theta(r) \mathbf{e}_\theta.$$

If $v_\theta \in C_0^\infty(l, l')$, then $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)$. For such a \mathbf{v} , we obtain

$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} = -\frac{1}{r} v_\theta^2 \mathbf{e}_r$$

by easy computations. Then for such a \mathbf{v} , we obtain

$$((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}) = -\mu_1 \int_l^{l'} \frac{1}{r} v_\theta^2 dr. \quad (2.1)$$

Lastly, let Ω be a bounded domain satisfying (DC).

We suppose that the inner boundary Γ_1 is contained in $B(P, l)$ and $\partial B(P, l)$ is included in Ω for a certain $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $l > 0$. Then we can find a certain $l' > 0$ such that $B(P, l) \subset B(P, l')$ and $\partial B(P, l')$ is contained in Ω . Here we set

$$\mu_1 := \int_{\Gamma_1} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS.$$

Using the polar coordinate of the origin P , then we can check easily that

$$((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}) = -\mu_1 \int_l^{l'} \frac{v_\theta^2(r)}{r} dr, \quad (2.2)$$

where $\mathbf{v} = v_\theta(r)\mathbf{e}_\theta$, $v_\theta \in C_0^\infty(l, l')$.

From (2.1) and (2.2) if the boundary condition $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ satisfies ‘‘Leray’s Inequality’’, then for $\mathbf{v} = v_\theta(r)\mathbf{e}_\theta$, $v_\theta \in C_0^\infty(l, l')$ we have

$$\left| \mu_1 \int_l^{l'} \frac{v_\theta^2(r)}{r} dr \right| < \varepsilon \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_2^2.$$

Therefore $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ fulfills (SOC). □

2.2. Proof of Corollary 1.1 and 1.2

Let us prove Corollary 1.1.

Let Ω be a bounded domain satisfying (DC).

We suppose that the several inner boundaries $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_N$ ($N \leq J$) are contained in $B(P, l)$ and $\partial B(P, l)$ is included in Ω for a certain $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $l > 0$. Then we can find a certain $l' > 0$ such that $B(P, l) \subset B(P, l')$ and $\partial B(P, l')$ is contained in Ω . Here we set

$$\mu_j := \int_{\Gamma_j} \boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS \quad (j = 1, \dots, N).$$

Let use the polar coordinate of the origin P . We suppose that $\mathbf{v} = v_\theta(r)\mathbf{e}_\theta$ with $v_\theta \in C_0^\infty(l, l')$. Then $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)$ and we obtain

$$((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}) = - \sum_{j=1}^N \mu_j \int_l^{l'} \frac{v_\theta^2(r)}{r} dr. \quad (2.3)$$

Therefore if the boundary condition β satisfies "Leray's Inequality",

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i = 0$$

holds true.

Let us prove Corollary 1.2.

Suppose that there are J balls $B(P_1, l_1), \dots, B(P_J, l_J)$ such that each $B(P_i, l_i)$ contains only one Γ_i and such that $\partial B(P_i, l_i) \subset \Omega$ for all $i = 1, \dots, J$. Then we can find a certain $l'_i > 0$ such that $B(P_i, l_i) \subset B(P_i, l'_i)$ and $\partial B(P_i, l'_i)$ is contained in Ω . Let us use the polar coordinate of the origin P_i . We suppose that $\mathbf{v}_i = v_\theta^i(r) \mathbf{e}_\theta^i$ with $v_\theta^i \in C_0^\infty(l_i, l'_i)$. Then $\mathbf{v}^i \in \mathbb{H}_{0,\sigma}^1(\Omega)$ and we obtain

$$((\mathbf{v}^i \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v}^i, \mathbf{b}) = -\mu_i \int_{l_i}^{l'_i} \frac{(v_\theta^i(r))^2}{r} dr. \quad (2.4)$$

Therefore if the boundary condition β satisfies "Leray's Inequality", then β fulfills (SOC). \square

References

- [1] Amick C. J., *Existence of solutions to the nonhomogeneous steady Navier-Stokes equations*. Indiana Univ. Math. Journal **33** (1984), 817–830.
- [2] Finn R., *On steady-state solutions of Navier-Stokes equations, III*. Acta Math. **105** (1961), 197–244.
- [3] Fujita H., *On stationary solutions to Navier-Stokes equation in symmetric plane domains under general outflow condition*, Proceedings of International Conference on Navier-Stokes Equations, Theory and Numerical Methods, June 1997, Varenna Italy, Pitman Research Note in Mathematics, **388**, pp. 16–30.
- [4] Fujita H., *On the existence and regularity of the steady-state solutions of the Navier-Stokes Equation*. J. Fac. sci., Univ. Tokyo, Sec. I **9** (1961), 59–102.
- [5] Fujita H. and Morimoto H., *A remark on the existence of the Navier-Stokes flow with non-vanishing outflow conditions*. GAKUTO International Series Mathematical Sciences and Applications **10** (1997), Nonlinear Waves, pp. 53–61.
- [6] Hopf E., *Ein allgemeiner endlichkeitssatz der hydrodynamik*. Math. Annalen **117** (1941), 764–775.

- [7] Kozono H. and Yanagisawa T., *Leray's problem on the stationary Navier-Stokes equations with inhomogeneous boundary data*. Math. Z. **262** (2009), 27–39.
- [8] Takeshita A., *A remark on Leray's inequality*. Pacific Journal of Mathematics **157**(1) (1993), 151–158.
- [9] Temam R., “Navier-Stokes Equations, Theory and Numerical Analysis”, Third (revised) edition, North-Holland, Amsterdam (1984).

Teppei KOBAYASHI
Deptment of Mathematics
Meiji University
1-1-1 Tama-ku, Kawasaki, Japan, 214-0038
E-mail: teppeik@isc.meiji.ac.jp