Navier-Stokes Equations for Compressible Fluids: Global Existence and Qualitative Properties of the Solutions in the General Case

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Abstract. We consider the equations which describe the motion of a viscous compressible fluid, taking into consideration the case of inflow and/or outflow through the boundary. By means of some a priori estimates we prove the existence of a global (in time) solution. Moreover, as a consequence of a stability result, we show that there exist a periodic solution and a stationary solution.

1. Introduction

In this paper the motion of a viscous compressible fluid is considered. The motion in a bounded domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is described by the following equations

$$\varrho[u_t + u \cdot \nabla u - b] = -\nabla p - Au \quad \text{in} \quad Q_T, \\
\varrho_t + u \cdot \nabla \varrho + \varrho \operatorname{div} u = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad Q_T, \\
\varrho c_v [\theta_t + u \cdot \nabla \theta] + \theta p_\theta \operatorname{div} u \\
= \varrho r + \chi \Delta \theta + \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_{i,j} (D_i u^j + D_j u^i)^2 + (v - \mu) (\operatorname{div} u)^2 \quad \text{in} \quad Q_T, \\
u_{|t=0} = u_0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega, \\
u_{|\partial\Omega} = \bar{u}_{|\partial\Omega} \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma_T, \\
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where $-A \equiv \mu \Delta + \nu \nabla$ div. (See, for instance, Serrin [23].)

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