

# On the energy decay of a weak solution of the M. H. D. equations in a three-dimensional exterior domain

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## Introduction

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded domain in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  with smooth boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . We set  $\Omega = \mathbf{R}^3 - \bar{\Omega}$ . For simplicity, we assume that  $\Omega$  is simply connected. In  $Q := \Omega \times (0, \infty)$ , we consider the following magnetohydrodynamic(M. H. D.) equations;

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \partial_t u - \Delta u + (u, \nabla) u + B \times \operatorname{rot} B + \nabla \pi = f && \text{in } Q, \\
 & \partial_t B - \Delta B + (u, \nabla) B - (B, \nabla) u = 0 && \text{in } Q, \\
 (\text{M. H. D.}) \quad & \operatorname{div} u = 0, \operatorname{div} B = 0 && \text{in } Q, \\
 & u = 0, B \cdot \nu = 0, \operatorname{rot} B \times \nu = 0, && \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, \infty), \\
 & u|_{t=0} = u_0, B|_{t=0} = B_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here  $u = u(x, t) = (u^1(x, t), u^2(x, t), u^3(x, t))$ ,  $B = B(x, t) = (B^1(x, t), B^2(x, t), B^3(x, t))$  and  $\pi = \pi(x, t)$  denote respectively the unknown velocity field of the fluid, magnetic field and pressure of the fluid,  $f = f(x, t) = (f^1(x, t), f^2(x, t), f^3(x, t))$  denotes the given external force,  $u_0 = u_0(x) = (u_0^1(x), u_0^2(x), u_0^3(x))$  and  $B_0 = B_0(x) = (B_0^1(x), B_0^2(x), B_0^3(x))$  denote the given initial data and  $\nu$  denotes the unit outward normal on  $\partial\Omega$ .

Our problem reads as follows.

### PROBLEM

*Construct a weak solution  $\{u, B\}$  of (M. H. D.) on  $(0, \infty)$  such that*

$$E(t) := (1/2) \int_{\Omega} (|u(x, t)|^2 + |B(x, t)|^2) dx$$

*tends to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .*

In this paper, we solve this problem affirmatively. To this end, we shall use the methods developed by Masuda [5] and Sohr [10] in the case of the Navier-Stokes equations.

As is shown by Masuda [5, Corollary 2], we shall show at first that if  $\{u, B\}$  is a weak solution of (M. H. D.) such that  $E(t)$  tends to some constant  $E$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $E = 0$ . For such a weak solution, we shall

construct the one satisfying the energy inequality of strong form (see Masuda [5, subsection 1.2 Remarks 3]). This procedure is due to Sohr [10].

## 1. Preliminary and Result

### 1.1 Definition of weak solution

Let us introduce some function spaces.  $C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega)$  denotes the set of all  $C^\infty$ -real vector functions  $\phi = (\phi^1, \phi^2, \phi^3)$  with compact support in  $\Omega$  such that  $\operatorname{div} \phi = 0$ .  $H$  is the completion of  $C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega)$  with respect to the  $L^2$ -norm  $\| \cdot \|$ ;  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the  $L^2$ -inner product. The Hilbert space  $V_1$  is the subspace of the Sobolev space  $H_0^1(\Omega)^3$ , consisting of all vector functions  $u$  in  $H_0^1(\Omega)^3$  with  $\operatorname{div} u = 0$ . The Hilbert space  $V_2$  is the subspace of the Sobolev space  $H^1(\Omega)^3$ , consisting of all vector functions  $B$  in  $H^1(\Omega)^3$  with  $\operatorname{div} B = 0$  in  $\Omega$  and  $B \cdot \nu = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ .

If  $X$  is a Hilbert or Banach space, then  $L^p(0, T ; X)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , denotes the set of all measurable functions  $u(t)$  with values in  $X$  such that  $\int_0^T \|u(t)\|_X^p dt < \infty$  ( $\| \cdot \|_X$  is the norm of  $X$ ).  $L^\infty(0, T ; X)$  denotes the set of all essentially bounded (in the norm of  $X$ ) measurable functions of  $t$  with values in  $X$ . In the case of  $X = L^r(\Omega)$ , we denote by  $\| \cdot \|_{r,p}$  and  $\| \cdot \|_{r,\infty}$  the norms on  $L^p(0, T ; L^r(\Omega))$  and  $L^\infty(0, T ; L^r(\Omega))$ , respectively.

Let  $C^m([s, t] ; X)$  denote the set of all  $X$ -valued  $m$ -times continuously differentiable functions of  $\tau$  ( $s \leq \tau \leq t$ ). For an interval  $I$ ,  $C_0^m(I ; X)$  is the set of all  $X$ -valued  $m$ -times continuously differentiable functions on  $I$  with compact support in  $I$ . Throughout this paper,  $C$  denotes the positive constants which may change from line to line.

We define a weak solution of (M. H. D.) for  $u_0 \in H$  and  $B_0 \in H$  as follows :

#### DEFINITION

Let  $u_0 \in H$ ,  $B_0 \in H$  and  $f \in L^1(0, \infty ; H)$ .

A pair of measurable functions  $u$  and  $B$  on  $Q$  is called a weak solution of (M. H. D.) if

- (i)  $u \in L^\infty(0, \infty ; H) \cap L_{\text{loc}}^2(0, \infty ; V_1)$ .  $B \in L^\infty(0, \infty ; H) \cap L_{\text{loc}}^2(0, \infty ; V_2)$ .
- (ii) For any  $\Phi \in C_0^1([0, \infty) ; V_1)$  and any  $\Psi \in C_0^1([0, \infty) ; V_2)$ , the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \{ -(u, \partial_t \Phi) + (\nabla u, \nabla \Phi) + ((u, \nabla) u - (B, \nabla) B, \Phi) \} dt \\ &= (u_0, \Phi(0)) + \int_0^\infty (f, \Phi) dt \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \{ -(B, \partial_t \Psi) + (\operatorname{rot} B, \operatorname{rot} \Psi) + ((u, \nabla) B - (B, \nabla) u, \Psi) \} dt \\ &= (B_0, \Psi(0)) \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

are satisfied.

Concerning the definition of weak solutions of (M. H. D.), see Sermange and Temam [8].

The following lemma is essentially due to Serrin [9]. Hence we omit the proof.

**LEMMA 1.1**

*Let  $\{u, B\}$  be a weak solution of (M. H. D.). After a suitable redefinition of  $u(t)$  and  $B(t)$  at a set of measure zero on  $(0, \infty)$ , we have that both  $u$  and  $B$  are weakly continuous in  $H$  as functions of  $t$  and that for any  $s < t$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_s^t \{-(u, \partial_\tau \Phi) + (\nabla u, \nabla \Phi) + (u, \nabla) u - (B, \nabla) B, \Phi\} d\tau \\ &= -(u(t), \Phi(t)) + (u(s), \Phi(s)) + \int_s^t (f, \Phi) d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_s^t \{-(B, \partial_\tau \Psi) + (\operatorname{rot} B, \operatorname{rot} \Psi) + ((u, \nabla) B - (B, \nabla) u, \Psi)\} d\tau \\ &= -(B(t), \Psi(t)) + (B(s), \Psi(s)) \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

for every  $\Phi \in C^1([s, t]; V_1)$  and every  $\Psi \in C^1([s, t]; V_2)$ .

## 1.2 Operators $A_{D(r)}$ and $A_{N(r)}$

Let  $H_r$  be the closure of  $C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega)$  in  $L^r(\Omega) := L^r(\Omega)^3 (r > 1)$ . As is well known, we have

$$L^r(\Omega) = H_r \oplus G_r \text{ (direct sum),}$$

where  $G_r = \{\nabla \pi \in L^r(\Omega); \pi \in L_{\text{loc}}^r(\Omega)\}$ .

Let  $P_r$  be the projection operator from  $L^r(\Omega)$  onto  $H_r$  along  $G_r$ . We define the operators  $A_{D(r)}$  and  $A_{N(r)}$  as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} D(A_{D(r)}) &= H_r \cap \{u \in W^{2,r}(\Omega); u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0\}, \\ A_{D(r)}u &= -P_r \Delta u \text{ for } u \in D(A_{D(r)}), \\ D(A_{N(r)}) &= H_r \cap \{B \in W^{2,r}(\Omega); B \cdot \nu = 0, \operatorname{rot} B \times \nu = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega\}, \\ A_{N(r)}B &= -\Delta B \text{ for } B \in D(A_{N(r)}). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $A_{N(r)}$  maps  $D(A_{N(r)})$  into  $H_r$ .

It follows from Miyakawa [6, 7] that both  $-A_{D(r)}$  and  $-A_{N(r)}$  generate the holomorphic semi-groups  $e^{-tA_{D(r)}}$  and  $e^{-tA_{N(r)}}$  in  $H_r$ . Moreover, we can define the fractional powers  $\tilde{A}_{D(r)}^\alpha$  and  $\tilde{A}_{N(r)}^\alpha$  of  $\tilde{A}_{D(r)} := 1 + A_{D(r)}$  and  $\tilde{A}_{N(r)} := 1 + A_{N(r)}$ , respectively.

REMARK 1.2

We denote  $A_{D(2)}$  and  $A_{N(2)}$  simply by  $A_D$  and  $A_N$ , respectively. Let  $a_D(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $a_N(\cdot, \cdot)$  be non-negative quadratic forms on  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively defined by

$$a_D(u, v) = (\nabla u, \nabla v) \text{ for } u, v \in V_1$$

and

$$a_N(B, C) = (\operatorname{rot} B, \operatorname{rot} C) \text{ for } B, C \in V_2.$$

Then  $A_D$  and  $A_N$  coincide with the self-adjoint operators defined by  $a_D(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $a_N(\cdot, \cdot)$ , respectively. Hence we have

$$D(A_D^{1/2}) = V_1, \|A_D^{1/2}u\|^2 = \|\nabla u\|^2 \text{ for } u \in D(A_D^{1/2}), \quad (1.5)$$

$$D(A_N^{1/2}) = V_2, \|A_N^{1/2}B\|^2 = \|\operatorname{rot} B\|^2 \text{ for } B \in D(A_N^{1/2}). \quad (1.6)$$

### 1.3 Result

We can now introduce the following assumptions.

*Assumption 1*

$u_0$  is in  $H \cap D(\tilde{A}_{D(r_0)}^{1-1/r_0+\epsilon})$  and  $B_0$  is in  $H \cap D(\tilde{A}_{N(r_0)}^{1-1/r_0+\epsilon})$ , where  $r_0 = 5/4$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ .

*Assumption 2*

$f$  is in  $L^1(0, \infty ; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^2(0, \infty ; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^{r_0}(0, \infty ; L^{r_0}(\Omega))$ .

Our result reads :

THEOREM

*Under the assumptions 1 and 2, there exists a weak solution  $\{u, B\}$  of (M. H. D.) such that*

$$E(t) := (1/2)(\|u(t)\|^2 + \|B(t)\|^2)$$

*tends to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .*

We shall prove this theorem with the aid of the following two propositions.

PROPOSITION 1

*Let  $u_0$  and  $B_0$  be in  $H$  and let  $f$  be in  $L^1(0, \infty ; L^2(\Omega))$ . Then any weak solution  $\{u, B\}$  of (M. H. D.) with*

$$\int_0^\infty \|\nabla u(\tau)\|^2 d\tau < \infty \text{ and } \int_0^\infty \|\operatorname{rot} B(\tau)\|^2 d\tau < \infty \text{ satisfies}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \{ \| (1+A_D)^{-1/4} u(t) \| + \| (1+A_N)^{-1/4} B(t) \| \} = 0. \quad (\text{W. D.})$$

**PROPOSITION 2**

*Under the assumptions of Theorem, there is a weak solution  $\{u, B\}$  of (M. H. D.) such that the energy inequality of strong form :*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u(t)\|^2 + \|B(t)\|^2 + 2 \int_s^t (\|\nabla u(\tau)\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} B(\tau)\|^2) d\tau \\ & \leq \|u(s)\|^2 + \|B(s)\|^2 + 2 \int_s^t (f(\tau), u(\tau)) d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E. I. S.})$$

*holds for almost all  $s \geq 0$ , including  $s=0$ . and all  $t > s$ .*

Propositions 1 and 2 are essentially due to Masuda [5, Theorem 4] and to Sohr [10], respectively.

#### 1.4 Proof of Theorem

For a moment, we assume that the propositions 1 and 2 hold true. We follow the arguments developed by Sohr [10].

Let  $\{u, B\}$  be the weak solution of (M. H. D.) constructed in Proposition 2. As is shown by Masuda [5, Corollary 1], it follows from (W. D.) that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_t^{t+1} E(\tau) d\tau = 0. \quad (1.7)$$

On the other hand, by (E. I. S.) we have

$$E(t) \leq E(s) + M_0 \int_s^t \|f(\tau)\| d\tau \quad (1.8)$$

for almost all  $s \geq 0$ , including  $s=0$ , and all  $t > s$ , where  $M_0 := \sup_{\tau > 0} \|u(\tau)\|$ .

For  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we choose  $s_0 = s_0(\varepsilon)$  such that  $\int_{s_0}^{\infty} \|f(\tau)\| d\tau < \varepsilon/2M_0$ . Moreover, we see that the measure of the set  $\{\tau \geq s_0 ; E(\tau) < \varepsilon/2\}$  cannot be zero, since otherwise we have  $\int_t^{t+1} E(\tau) d\tau \geq \varepsilon/2$  for any  $t \geq s_0$  and this contradicts (1.7).

Hence there is  $s_1 \geq s_0$  such that  $E(s_1) < \varepsilon/2$ . It follows from (1.8) that

$$E(t) \leq E(s_1) + M_0 \int_{s_1}^{\infty} \|f(\tau)\| d\tau < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon$$

for all  $t > s_1$ . This completes the proof of Theorem.

We shall prove the propositions 1 and 2 in sections 2 and 3, respectively.

## 2. Proof of Proposition 1

In this section, we follow Masuda [5].

At the first step, we show that zero is not an eigenvalue of  $A_D$  or  $A_N$ . In fact, by (1.5) it is easy to see that zero is not an eigenvalue of  $A_D$ . Suppose that  $A_N B = 0$  for  $B \in D(A_N)$ . Then by (1.6),  $\operatorname{rot} B = 0$  in  $\Omega$ . Since  $\operatorname{div} B = 0$  in  $\Omega$  and since  $B \cdot \nu = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ , it follows from the classical potential theory that there is a scalar function  $p$  with  $p \in L^2_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$ ,  $\nabla p \in L^2(\Omega)$  and

$$\Delta p = 0 \text{ in } \Omega, \quad \partial p / \partial \nu = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

such that  $B = \nabla p$ .

According to Miyakawa [7, Lemma 1.4], such  $p$  must satisfy that  $\nabla p = 0$  and hence  $B = 0$ . Thus zero is not an eigenvalue of  $A_N$ . At this stage, as is shown by Masuda [5], it suffices to show that there is a positive number  $C$  such that the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (1 + A_D)^{-1/4} u(t) \|^2 + \| (1 + A_N)^{-1/4} B(t) \|^2 \\ & \leq \| e^{-(t-s)A} (1 + A_D)^{-1/4} u(s) \|^2 + \| e^{-(t-s)A} (1 + A_N)^{-1/4} B(s) \|^2 \\ & C \int_s^t (\| \nabla u(\tau) \|^2 + \| \operatorname{rot} B(\tau) \|^2) d\tau + C \int_s^t \| f(\tau) \| d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

holds for all  $0 \leq s < t$ .

In fact, we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \| e^{-(t-s)A_D} (1 + A_D)^{-1/4} u(s) \|^2 = 0,$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \| e^{-(t-s)A_N} (1 + A_N)^{-1/4} B(s) \|^2 = 0$$

for any  $s \geq 0$ , since zero is not an eigenvalue of the non-negative self-adjoint operator  $A_D$  or  $A_N$ . Therefore letting  $t$  tend to infinity in (2.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \| (1 + A_D)^{-1/4} u(t) \|^2 + \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \| (1 + A_N)^{-1/4} B(t) \|^2 \\ & \leq C \int_s^\infty (\| \nabla u(\tau) \|^2 + \| \operatorname{rot} B(\tau) \|^2) d\tau + C \int_s^\infty \| f(\tau) \| d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the assumptions of this proposition that the right hand side of the above inequality tends to zero as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence we obtain the desired result.

Now we shall prove (2.1).

Suppose that  $\rho$  is a  $C^\infty$  function in  $\mathbf{R}^1$  with support in  $|t| \leq 1$  such that

$\rho(t) \geq 0$ ,  $\rho(t) = \rho(-t)$  and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(t) dt = 1$ . For  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $h > 0$ , we choose the test functions  $\Phi = \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}$  and  $\Psi = \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}$  in (1.3) and (1.4) as follows;

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) &= U_{\varepsilon}(\tau) \int_s^t \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) U_{\varepsilon}(\sigma) u(\sigma) d\sigma, \\ \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) &= V_{\varepsilon}(\tau) \int_s^t \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) V_{\varepsilon}(\sigma) B(\sigma) d\sigma, \quad (s \leq \tau \leq t)\end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_h(\tau) = (1/h)\rho_h(\tau/h)$ ,  $U_{\varepsilon}(\tau) = e^{-(t-s+\varepsilon)A_D}(1+A_D)^{-1/4}$  and  $V_{\varepsilon}(\tau) = e^{-(t-s+\varepsilon)A_N}(1+A_N)^{-1/4}$ . Then we have the followings:

- ( i )  $\Phi_{\varepsilon, h} \in C^1([s, t]; V_1) \cap C([s, t]; D(A_D))$ ,
- $\Psi_{\varepsilon, h} \in C^1([s, t]; V_2) \cap C([s, t]; D(A_N))$

and the equalities

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{\tau} \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) &= A_D \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) + U_{\varepsilon}(\tau) \int_s^t \partial_{\sigma} \rho(\tau - \sigma) U_{\varepsilon}(\sigma) u(\sigma) d\sigma, \\ \partial_{\tau} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) &= A_N \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau) + V_{\varepsilon}(\tau) \int_s^t \partial_{\sigma} \rho(\tau - \sigma) V_{\varepsilon}(\sigma) B(\sigma) d\sigma.\end{aligned}$$

hold.

- ( ii ) There is a positive constant  $M_1$  such that the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}\sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| &\leq M_1, \quad \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| \leq M_1, \\ \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^3(\Omega)} &\leq M_1, \quad \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)} \leq M_1, \\ \sup_{\tau > 0} \|A_N^{1/2} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| &\leq M_1\end{aligned}$$

hold for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $h > 0$ .

- ( iii ) There is a positive constant  $M_2$  such that the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup \int_s^t \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^2 d\tau &\leq M_2 \int_s^t \|\nabla u(\tau)\|^2 d\tau, \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup \int_s^t \|A_N^{1/2} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|^2 d\tau &\leq M_2 \int_s^t \|\operatorname{rot} B(\tau)\|^2 d\tau\end{aligned}$$

hold for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

In fact, ( i ) can be seen easily. Since  $A_D$  and  $A_N$  are non-negative self-adjoint operators in  $H$ , we have  $\|U_{\varepsilon}(\tau)\|_{B(H)} \leq 1$  and  $\|V_{\varepsilon}(\tau)\|_{B(H)} \leq 1$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $\tau \geq 0$ . Hence it follows

$$\sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| \leq \sup_{\tau > 0} \|u(\tau)\| \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| \leq \sup_{\tau > 0} \|B(\tau)\|$$

for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $h > 0$ .

Similarly, since  $\|A_N^{1/2}(1+A_N)^{-1/2}\|_{B(H)} \leq 1$ , we have

$$\sup_{\tau > 0} \|A_N^{1/2}\Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| \leq \sup_{\tau > 0} \|B(\tau)\| \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ and all } h > 0.$$

Moreover, by the Sobolev's imbedding theorem, we have  $(1+A_D)^{-1/4}\phi \in L^3(\Omega)$  and  $(1+A_N)^{-1/2}\phi \in L^6(\Omega)$  for all  $\phi \in H$ . It follows from the closed graph theorem that  $(1+A_D)^{-1/4} \in B(H, L^3(\Omega))$  with bound  $C_1$  and that  $(1+A_D)^{-1/2} \in B(H, L^6(\Omega))$  with bound  $C_2$ . ( $B(X, Y)$ : the set of all bounded linear operators from  $X$  to  $Y$ ) Then we have

$$\sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^3(\Omega)} \leq C_1^2 \sup_{\tau > 0} \|u(\tau)\| \text{ and}$$

$$\sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)} \leq C_2 \sup_{\tau > 0} \|u(\tau)\|$$

for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $h > 0$ . Hence (ii) follows.

By the Sobolev inequality and (1.5), there is a constant  $C_3$  independent of  $\varepsilon$  or  $h$  such that

$$\|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^2 \leq C_3 \int_s^t \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) \|A_D^{1/2} u(\sigma)\|^2 d\sigma. \quad (2.2)$$

Integrating both sides of (2.2) in  $\tau$  from  $s$  to  $t$  and then taking  $h \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup \int_s^t \|\Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^2 d\tau \\ & \leq C_3 \int_s^t \|A_D^{1/2} u(\tau)\|^2 d\tau = C_3 \int_s^t \|\nabla u(\tau)\|^2 d\tau, \end{aligned}$$

since  $\|\nabla u(\cdot)\| \in L^2(0, \infty)$ . Similarly by (1.6), we have

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup \int_s^t \|A_N^{1/2} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\|^2 d\tau \leq \int_s^t \|\operatorname{rot} B(\tau)\|^2 d\tau.$$

Hence (iii) follows.

Now substituting  $\Phi = \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}$  in (1.3) and  $\Psi = \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}$  in (1.4) and then adding these equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_s^t \{((u, \nabla)u + B \times \operatorname{rot} B, \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}) + ((u, \nabla)B - (B, \nabla)u, \Psi_{\varepsilon, h})\} d\tau \\ & = -(u(t), \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(t)) - (B(t), \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(t)) + (u(s), \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(s)) \\ & \quad + (B(s), \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(s)) + \int_s^t (f, \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}) d\tau, \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

since the following identities hold :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_s^t \{ -(\mathbf{u}(\tau), \partial_\tau \Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) + (\nabla \mathbf{u}(\tau), \nabla \Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) \} d\tau \\
 &= \int_s^t \{ -(\mathbf{u}(\tau), A_D \Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau) + U_\epsilon(\tau) \int_s^\tau \partial_\tau \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) U_\epsilon(\sigma) \mathbf{u}(\sigma) d\sigma) \\
 &\quad + (\mathbf{u}(\tau), A_D \Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) \} d\tau \quad (\text{by (i)}) \\
 &= - \int_s^t \int_s^\tau \partial_\tau \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) (U_\epsilon(\tau) \mathbf{u}(\tau), U_\epsilon(\sigma) \mathbf{u}(\sigma)) d\sigma d\tau \\
 &= 0 \quad (\text{by the symmetry of } \rho), \\
 & \int_s^t \{ -(B(\tau), \partial_\tau \Psi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) + (\text{rot } B(\tau), \text{rot } \Psi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) \} d\tau \\
 &= \int_s^t \{ -(B(\tau), A_N \Psi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau) + V_\epsilon(\tau) \int_s^\tau \partial_\tau \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) V_\epsilon(\sigma) B(\sigma) d\sigma) \\
 &\quad + (B(\tau), A_N \Psi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)) \} d\tau \\
 &= - \int_s^t \int_s^\tau \partial_\tau \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) (V_\epsilon(\tau) B(\tau), V_\epsilon(\sigma) B(\sigma)) d\sigma d\tau = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Hölder inequality, the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality (see, e. g., Tanabe [12, Chapter 1 Lemma 1.2.1]) and Duvaut-Lions [2, Chapter 7 Theorem 6.1], we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & | \int_s^t ((\mathbf{u}, \nabla) \mathbf{u} + B \times \text{rot } B, \Phi_{\epsilon, h}) d\tau | \\
 &\leq \int_s^t (\|\mathbf{u}\|_{L^6(\Omega)} \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\| \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}\|_{L^3(\Omega)} + \|B\|_{L^3(\Omega)} \|\text{rot } B\| \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}\|_{L^6(\Omega)}) d\tau \\
 &\leq \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^3(\Omega)} \int_s^t \|\mathbf{u}\|_{L^6(\Omega)} \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\| d\tau \\
 &\quad + C \int_s^t \|B\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^{1/2} \|B\|^{1/2} \|\text{rot } B\| \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}\|_{L^6(\Omega)} d\tau \\
 &\leq C \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^3(\Omega)} \int_s^t \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\|^2 d\tau + C \sup_{\tau > 0} \|B(\tau)\| \int_s^t \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^2 d\tau \\
 &\quad + C (\sup_{\tau > 0} \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}(\tau)\|_{L^6(\Omega)} + \sup_{\tau > 0} \|B(\tau)\|) \int_s^t \|\text{rot } B\|^2 d\tau \\
 &\leq 2CM_1 \int_s^t (\|\nabla \mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\text{rot } B\|^2 + \|\Phi_{\epsilon, h}\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^2) d\tau \quad (\text{by (ii)})
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & | \int_s^t ((\mathbf{u}, \nabla) B - (B, \nabla) \mathbf{u}, \Psi_{\epsilon, h}) d\tau | \\
 &= | \int_s^t (\text{rot } (B \times \mathbf{u}), \Psi_{\epsilon, h}) d\tau | = | \int_s^t (B \times \mathbf{u}, \text{rot } \Psi_{\epsilon, h}) d\tau | \\
 &\leq \int_s^t \|B\|_{L^3(\Omega)} \|\mathbf{u}\|_{L^6(\Omega)} \|\text{rot } \Psi_{\epsilon, h}\| d\tau \\
 &\leq C \int_s^t \|B\|^{1/2} \|B\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^{1/2} \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\| \|\text{rot } \Psi_{\epsilon, h}\| d\tau
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \int_s^t (\|\operatorname{rot} B\| + \|B\|) \|\nabla u\| \|\operatorname{rot} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}\| d\tau \\
&\leq C \sup_{\tau > 0} \|\operatorname{rot} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(\tau)\| \int_s^t (\|\operatorname{rot} B\|^2 + \|\nabla u\|^2) d\tau \\
&\quad + C \sup_{\tau > 0} \|B(\tau)\| \int_s^t (\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}\|^2) d\tau \\
&\leq 2CM_1 \int_s^t (\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} B\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}\|^2) d\tau, \quad (\text{by (ii)})
\end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $\varepsilon$  or  $h$ . Taking  $h \rightarrow 0$  in the above inequalities, we have by (iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup | \int_s^t ((u, \nabla) u + B \times \operatorname{rot} B, \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}) d\tau | \\
&\leq 4CM_1 \int_s^t (\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} B\|^2) d\tau
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup | \int_s^t ((u, \nabla) B - (B, \nabla) u, \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}) d\tau | \\
&\leq 4CM_1 \int_s^t (\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} B\|^2) d\tau
\end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Clearly the inequality

$$| \int_s^t (f, \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}) d\tau | \leq M_1 \int_s^t \|f\| d\tau \tag{2.6}$$

holds for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $h > 0$ .

Moreover, since  $U_\varepsilon(\sigma)u(\sigma)$  and  $V_\varepsilon(\sigma)B(\sigma)$  are continuous in  $\sigma \in [s, t]$  in the weak topology of  $H$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (u(t), \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(t)) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_s^t \rho_h(\tau - \sigma) (U_\varepsilon(t)u(t), U_\varepsilon(\sigma)u(\sigma)) d\sigma \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \{(1/2)\|U_\varepsilon(t)u(t)\|^2\} \\
&= (1/2)\|(1+A_D)^{-1/4}u(t)\|^2
\end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

and that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (B(t), \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(t)) = (1/2)\|(1+A_N)^{-1/4}B(t)\|^2. \tag{2.8}$$

Similarly we have

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (u(s), \Phi_{\varepsilon, h}(s)) = (1/2) \|e^{-(t-s)A_D}(1+A_D)^{-1/4}u(t)\|^2 \quad (2.9)$$

and

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (B(s), \Psi_{\varepsilon, h}(s)) = (1/2) \|e^{-(t-s)A_N}(1+A_N)^{-1/4}B(s)\|^2. \quad (2.10)$$

Now letting  $h \rightarrow 0$  and then  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  in (2.3), we get the desired estimate (2.1) by (2.4)-(2.10). This completes the proof of Proposition 1.

### 3. Proof of Proposition 2

In the case of the Navier-Stokes equations, Proposition 2 is due to Sohr [10]. Since our argument is parallel to that of [10], we shall give an outline of the proof. The  $L_r$ -estimates of the solution for linearized equations of (M. H. D.) play an important role.

We approximate (M. H. D.) by the following initial-boundary value problem (A. P.) <sub>$k$</sub> ,  $k$  being an arbitrary positive integer ;

$$(A. P.)_k \quad \begin{aligned} & \partial_t u - \Delta u + (J_k u, \nabla) u - (L_k B, \nabla) B + \nabla \pi^1 = f \text{ in } Q, \\ & \partial_t B - \Delta B + (J_k u, \nabla) B - (L_k B, \nabla) u + \nabla \pi^2 = 0 \text{ in } Q, \\ & \text{div } u = 0, \text{ div } B = 0 \quad \text{in } Q, \\ & u = 0, B \cdot \nu = 0, \text{ rot } B \times \nu = 0, \text{ on } \partial\Omega \times (0, \infty), \\ & u|_{t=0} = J_k u_0, B|_{t=0} = L_k B_0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $J_k = (1 + (1/k)\tilde{A}_D)^{-1}$  and  $L_k = (1 + (1/k)\tilde{A}_N)^{-1}$ .

Note that  $\tilde{A}_D = 1 + A_D$  and  $\tilde{A}_N = 1 + A_N$ .

Since  $H^2(\Omega) \subset L^\infty(\Omega)$ ,  $J_k u$  and  $L_k B$  are in  $L^\infty(\Omega)$  for all  $u$  and  $B$  in  $H$  ; so there exists for each  $k$  a solution  $\{u, B, \pi^1, \pi^2\} = \{u_k, B_k, \pi_k^1, \pi_k^2\}$  of (A. P.) <sub>$k$</sub>  satisfying the following properties :

( i ) For any  $T > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & u \in L^2(0, T ; D(A_D)) \cap L^\infty(0, \infty ; H), \quad u' \in L^2(0, T ; H), \\ & \nabla \pi^1 \in L^2(0, T ; L^2(\Omega)), \\ & B \in L^2(0, T ; D(A_N)) \cap L^\infty(0, \infty ; H), \quad B' \in L^2(0, T ; H), \\ & \nabla \pi^2 \in L^2(0, T ; L^2(\Omega)); \end{aligned}$$

( ii )

$$u' - \Delta u + (J_k u, \nabla) u - (L_k B, \nabla) B + \nabla \pi^1 = f \text{ in } L^2(\Omega), \quad (3.1)$$

$$B' - \Delta B + (J_k u, \nabla) B - (L_k B, \nabla) u + \nabla \pi^2 = 0 \text{ in } L^2(\Omega) \quad (3.2)$$

for almost all  $t \geq 0$  with

$$u(0) = J_k u_0, \quad B(0) = L_k B_0;$$

(iii) The inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{t \geq 0} \|u_k(t)\|^2 + \sup_{t \geq 0} \|B_k(t)\|^2 + \int_0^\infty (\|\nabla u_k(\tau)\|^2 + \|\operatorname{rot} B_k(\tau)\|^2) d\tau \\ & \leq \|a\|^2 + 2\|f\|_{L^1(0,\infty; \mathbf{L}^2)} (\|a\|^2 + \|f\|_{L^1(0,\infty; \mathbf{L}^2)}^2) \exp \|f\|_{L^1(0,\infty; \mathbf{L}^2)} \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

holds for all  $k$ .

By (3.3) there exist a subsequence of  $\{u_k, B_k\}$ , which we denote by  $\{u_k, B_k\}$  for simplicity, and functions  $u \in L^\infty(0, \infty; H) \cap L^2_{\text{loc}}(0, \infty; V_1)$  and  $B \in L^\infty(0, \infty; H) \cap L^2_{\text{loc}}(0, \infty; V_2)$  such that

$$\begin{array}{lll} u_k \rightarrow u & \text{in } L^\infty(0, \infty; H) & \text{weakly-star,} \\ & \text{in } L^2(0, T; V_1) & \text{weakly,} \\ B_k \rightarrow B & \text{in } L^\infty(0, \infty; H) & \text{weakly-star,} \\ & \text{in } L^2(0, T; V_2) & \text{weakly,} \end{array} \quad (3.4)$$

for all  $T > 0$ .

Moreover, we can choose a subsequence of  $\{u_k, B_k\}$ , which we denote by  $\{u_k, B_k\}$  for simplicity, such that

$$u_k \rightarrow u \text{ in } L^2(0, T; L^2(K)) \text{ strongly,} \quad (3.5)$$

$$B_k \rightarrow B \text{ in } L^2(0, T; L^2(K)) \text{ strongly}$$

for all  $T > 0$  and all compact set  $K$  contained in  $\Omega$ .

Indeed, for a complete orthonormal system  $\{\phi_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  ( $\phi_j \in C_{0,\sigma}^\infty(\Omega)$ ) in  $H$ , we see that for each fixed  $j$  the families  $\{(u_k(t), \phi_j)\}_{k=1}^\infty$  and  $\{(B_k(t), \phi_j)\}_{k=1}^\infty$  respectively form uniformly bounded and equicontinuous ones of continuous functions on  $[0, T]$  (see, e. g., Ladyzehenskaya [3, p. 175]). Hence by the Ascoli-Arzelà theorem and the usual diagonal argument, there exist subsequences  $u_{k_i}(t)$  and  $B_{k_i}(t)$  of  $u_k(t)$  and  $B_k(t)$  which converge respectively to some  $\bar{u}(t)$  and  $\bar{B}(t)$  uniformly in  $t \in [0, T]$  in the weak topology of  $H$ . For simplicity, we shall assume that the original sequences  $u_k$  and  $B_k$  converge respectively to  $u$  and  $B$ . Hence using the techniques of the Friedrichs inequality (Courant-Hilbert [1, p. 519]) and Duvaut-Lions [2, Chapter 7 Theorem 6.1], we have (3.5) by (3.3). See, e. g., Ladyzehenskaya [3, p. 176].

Now by (3.4) and (3.5), it is easy to see that  $\{u, B\}$  is a weak solution of (M. H. D.).

To show that this  $\{u, B\}$  is the desired solution, we need the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.1**

*For any  $T > 0$ , we have the followings :*

- (i) *The sequence  $u_k$  and the sequence  $B_k$  remain in a bounded set of  $L^{r_0}(0, T ; W^{2, r_0}(\Omega))$ . The sequence  $u'_k$  and the sequence  $B'_k$  remain in a bounded set of  $L^{r_0}(0, T ; L^{r_0}(\Omega))$ . ( $r_0 = 5/4$ )*
- (ii) *The sequence  $\nabla \pi_k^1$  and the sequence  $\nabla \pi_k^2$  remain in a bounded set of  $L^{r_0}(0, T ; L^{r_0}(\Omega))$ .*
- (iii) *The sequence  $\pi_k^1$  and the sequence  $\pi_k^2$  remain in a bounded set of  $L^{r_0}(0, T ; L^{3r_0/(3-r_0)}(\Omega))$ .*

**PROOF.**

We can rewrite the equations (3.1) and (3.2) respectively as

$$u'_k - \Delta u_k + \nabla \pi_k^1 = F_k^1 \text{ in } L^2(\Omega), \quad (3.6)$$

$$B'_k - \Delta B_k + \nabla \pi_k^2 = F_k^2 \text{ in } L^2(\Omega), \quad (3.7)$$

where  $F_k^1 = f - (J_k u_k, \nabla) u_k + (L_k B_k, \nabla) B_k$  and  $F_k^2 = -(J_k u_k, \nabla) B_k + (L_k B_k, \nabla) u_k$ . Then we have

the sequence  $F_k^1$  and the sequence  $F_k^2$  are bounded  
in  $L^{r_0}(0, T ; L^{r_0}(\Omega))$ . (3.8)

In fact, by the Hölder inequality, the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality (Tanabe [12, Chapter 1 Lemma 1.2.1]) and Duvaut-Lions [2, Chapter 7 Theorem 6.1], we get

$$\begin{aligned} \| (J_k u_k, \nabla) u_k \|_{5/4} &\leq \| J_k u_k \|_{10/3} \| \nabla u_k \| \\ &\leq C \| \nabla J_k u_k \|^{3(1/2-3/10)} \| J_k u_k \|^{1-3(1/2-3/10)} \| \nabla u_k \| \\ &\leq C \| u_k \|^{2/5} \| \nabla u_k \|^{8/5} \leq C \| u_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \| \nabla u_k \|^{8/5}, \\ \| (J_k u_k, \nabla) u_k \|_{5/4, 5/4} &\leq C \| u_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \left( \int_0^T \| \nabla u_k(t) \|^2 dt \right)^{4/5} \\ &\leq C \| u_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \| \nabla u_k \|_{2,2}^{8/5}, \\ \| (L_k B_k, \nabla) u_k \|_{5/4} &\leq \| L_k B_k \|_{10/3} \| \nabla B_k \| \\ &\leq C \| L_k B_k \|_{H^1(\Omega)}^{3(1/2-3/10)} \| L_k B_k \|^{1-3(1/2-3/10)} \| \nabla B_k \| \\ &\leq C \| B_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} (\| \text{rot } B_k \| + \| B_k \|)^{8/5} \\ &\leq C (\| B_k \|_{2,\infty}^2 + \| B_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \| \text{rot } B_k \|^{8/5}), \\ \| (L_k B_k, \nabla) B_k \|_{5/4, 5/4} &\leq C (\| B_k \|_{2,\infty}^2 + \| B_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \| \text{rot } B_k \|_{2,2}^{8/5}), \\ \| (J_k u_k, \nabla) B_k \|_{5/4} &\leq \| J_k u_k \|_{10/3} \| \nabla B_k \| \\ &\leq C \| \nabla J_k u_k \|^{3(1/2-3/10)} \| J_k u_k \|^{1-3(1/2-3/10)} \| \nabla B_k \| \\ &\leq C \| u_k \|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \| \nabla u_k \|^{3/5} \| \nabla B_k \| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|\nabla u_k\|^{3/5} (\|\operatorname{rot} B_k\| + \|B_k\|) \\
&\leq C (\|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|\nabla u_k\|^{3/5} \|\operatorname{rot} B_k\| + \|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|B_k\|_{2,\infty} \|\nabla u_k\|^{3/5}), \\
\|(J_k u_k, \nabla) B_k\|_{5/4, 5/4} &\leq C \left\{ \|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \left( \int_0^T \|\nabla u_k\|^{3/4} \|\operatorname{rot} B_k\|^{5/4} dt \right)^{4/5} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|B_k\|_{2,\infty} \left( \int_0^T \|\nabla u_k\|^{3/4} dt \right)^{4/5} \right\} \\
&\leq C (\|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|\nabla u_k\|_{2,2}^{3/5} \|\operatorname{rot} B_k\|_{2,2} + \\
&\quad \|u_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|B_k\|_{2,\infty} \|\nabla u_k\|_{2,2}^{3/5}), \\
\|(L_k B_k, \nabla) u_k\| &\leq \|L_k B_k\|_{10/3} \|\nabla u_k\| \\
&\leq C \|L_k B_k\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^{3(1/2-3/10)} \|L_k B_k\|^{1-3(1/2-3/10)} \|\nabla u_k\| \\
&\leq C \|B_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} (\|\operatorname{rot} B_k\| + \|B_k\|)^{3/5} \|\nabla u_k\|, \\
\|(L_k B_k, \nabla) u_k\|_{4/5, 4/5} &\leq C \|B_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \left\{ \int_0^T (\|\operatorname{rot} B_k\| + \|B_k\|)^{3/4} \|\nabla u_k\|^{5/4} dt \right\}^{4/5} \\
&\leq C \|B_k\|_{2,\infty}^{2/5} \|\nabla u_k\|_{2,2} (\|\operatorname{rot} B_k\|_{2,2}^2 + \|B_k\|_{2,\infty}^2)^{3/10},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $k$ . Hence we obtain (3.8) by (3.3).

On the other hand, since  $u_0 \in D(\tilde{A}_{D(r_0)}^{1-1/r_0+\epsilon})$  and since  $B_0 \in D(\tilde{A}_{N(r_0)}^{1-1/r_0+\epsilon})$ , (i) and (ii) follows from Solonnikov [1], p. 489 Corollary 2] and Ladyzhenskaya-Solonnikov-Ural'ceva [4, Theorem 10.4]. Now we shall show (iii). We set

$$\begin{aligned}
g_k^1 &= -u'_k + \Delta u_k + F_k^1 \text{ and} \\
g_k^2 &= -B'_k + \Delta B_k + F_k^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Then for all  $\phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega \times [0, T])$  with  $\operatorname{div} \phi = 0$ , we have

$$\int_0^T \int_\Omega g_k^i(x, t) \cdot \phi(x, t) dx dt = 0 \quad (i=1, 2) \tag{3.9}$$

and the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_0^T \int_\Omega g_k^i(x, t) \cdot \phi(x, t) dx dt \right| \\
& \leq \int_0^T \|g_k^i(t)\|_{r_0} \|\phi(t)\|_{r_0^*} dt \\
& \leq C \int_0^T \|g_k^i(t)\|_{r_0} \|\nabla \phi(t)\|_{3r_0/(4r_0-3)} dt \quad (\text{by the Sobolev inequality}) \\
& \leq C \|g_k^i\|_{r_0, r_0} \|\nabla \phi\|_{(3r_0/(3-r_0))^*, r_0^*},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is a constant independent of  $k$ .

(For  $r > 1$ ,  $r^* = r/(r-1)$ .)

Hence we have by (i) that

the sequences  $\{g_k^i\}_{k=1}^\infty$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) are bounded in

$$L^{r_0}(0, T; W^{1, 3r_0/(3-r_0)}(\Omega)^*).$$

( $X^*$  denotes the dual space of  $X$ .)

Since  $\nabla$  is a bounded operator from  $L^{r_0}(0, T; L^{3r_0/(3-r_0)}(\Omega))$  into  $L^{r_0}(0, T; W_0^{1, 3r_0/(4r_0-3)}(\Omega)^*)$ , it follows from (3.9) that there exist sequences  $\{\bar{\pi}_k^i\}_{k=1}^\infty$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) bounded in  $L^{r_0}(0, T; L^{3r_0/(3-r_0)}(\Omega))$  such that  $g_k^i = \nabla \bar{\pi}_k^i$ . Since we may assume that  $\pi_k^i = \bar{\pi}_k^i$ , we have (iii).

Let  $\eta_m = \eta_m(x)$  ( $m=1, 2, \dots$ ) be a sequence of  $C^\infty$ -functions in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  such that  $0 \leq \eta_m \leq 1$ ,  $|\nabla \eta_m| \leq C$ ,  $C$  being a constant independent of  $m$ , and that  $\eta_m(x) \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\nabla \eta_m(x) \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in \mathbf{R}^3$ . Now take the inner products with  $\eta_m u_k$  in (3.1) and  $\eta_m B_k$  in (3.2) respectively, add the resulting equalities and then integrate in  $\tau$  over  $[s, t]$ . Then, after integration by parts we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \eta_m (|u_k(t)|^2 + |B_k(t)|^2) dx + 2 \int_s^t \int_{\Omega} \eta_m (|\nabla u_k|^2 + |\operatorname{rot} B_k|^2) dx d\tau \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \eta_m (|u_k(s)|^2 + |B_k(s)|^2) dx + 2 \int_s^t \int_{\Omega} (f, \eta_m u_k) dx d\tau \\ &+ 2 \int_s^t \int_{\Omega} \nabla \eta_m \cdot \sum_{i=1}^3 R_k^i dx d\tau, \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

where  $R_k^1 = (1/2) \nabla |u_k|^2 + B_k \times \operatorname{rot} B_k$ ,

$R_k^2 = (u_k \cdot B_k) L_k B_k - (1/2)(|u_k|^2 + |B_k|^2) J_k u_k$  and  $R_k^3 = \pi_k^1 u_k + \pi_k^2 B_k$ .

Then it follows from (3.3) and Lemma 3.1 that  $\{R_k^1\}_{k=1}^\infty$ ,  $\{R_k^2\}_{k=1}^\infty$  and  $\{R_k^3\}_{k=1}^\infty$  remain in a bounded set of  $L^1(Q_T)^3 \cap L^{5/4}(Q_T)^3$ ,  $L^1(Q_T)^3 \cap L^{10/9}(Q_T)^3$  and  $L^1(Q_T)^3 \cap L^{29/30}(Q_T)^3$  respectively ( $Q_T = \Omega \times (0, T)$ ). We set  $q_1 = 5/4$ ,  $q_2 = 10/9$  and  $q_3 = 30/29$ . For each  $i=1, 2, 3$ , there exist a subsequence of  $R_k^i$ , which we denote by  $R_k^i$  for simplicity, and functions  $R^i \in L^1(Q_T)^3 \cap L^{q_i}(Q_T)^3$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_s^t \int_{\Omega} \nabla \eta_m \cdot R_k^i dx d\tau = \int_s^t \int_{\Omega} \nabla \eta_m \cdot R^i dx d\tau \quad (i=1, 2, 3) \quad (3.11)$$

hold for all  $m$ . Moreover, since  $|\nabla \eta_m(x) R^i(x, \tau)| \leq C |R^i(x, \tau)|$  ( $i=1, 2, 3$ ) for all  $(x, \tau) \in Q_T$  and all  $m$  and since  $|\nabla \eta_m(x) R^i(x, \tau)| \rightarrow 0$  ( $i=1, 2, 3$ ) for each  $(x, \tau) \in Q_T$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows from the Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem that the right hand side of (3.11) converges to zero as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence taking  $\liminf$  in  $k$  and then letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.10), we see by (3.4) and (3.5) that  $\{u, B\}$  satisfies (E. I. S.) for almost all  $s \geq 0$ , including  $s=0$ , and all  $t > s$ . This completes the proof.

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Added in proof :

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$u_0$  and  $B_0$  are in  $H \cap H_{r_0}$ , respectively.

Under this assumption, we can obtain the same result of Theorem in the similar manner as the above paper.

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