

# Some mathematical aspects of fluid-solid interaction

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Problem: Impact of this boundary layer on the asymptotics  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ ?

This problem can be further specified:

**Theorem** [Kato, 1983]

Let  $\Omega$  a bounded open domain. Let  $\mathbf{u}_\nu$  and  $\mathbf{u}_0$  regular solutions of (NS)-(D) and Euler, with the same initial data. Then

$\mathbf{u}_\nu \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_0$  in  $L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$  if and only if

$$\nu \int_0^T \int_{d(\mathbf{x}, \partial\Omega) \leq \nu} |\nabla \mathbf{u}_\nu|^2 \rightarrow 0.$$

Remarks:

- Yields a quantitative and optimal criterium for convergence.
- The convergence is related to concentration at scale  $\nu$  (and not at parabolic scale  $\sqrt{\nu}$ ).

Still, the convergence from NS to Euler is (mostly) an open question.

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## Prandtl's approach

Case  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ : we introduce

- curvilinear coordinates  $(x, y)$  near the boundary:

$$\mathbf{x} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}(x) + y \mathbf{n}(x), \quad \text{with } \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in \partial\Omega, \quad x \text{ arc length, } y \geq 0.$$

- Frénet decomposition:

$$\mathbf{u}_\nu(t, \mathbf{x}) = u_\nu(t, x, y) \mathbf{t}(x) + v_\nu(t, x, y) \mathbf{n}(x),$$

Idea [Prandtl 1904]:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\nu(t, x, y) &\approx u_0(t, x, y) + u_{BL}(t, x, y/\sqrt{\nu}), \\ v_\nu(t, x, y) &\approx v_0(t, x, y) + \sqrt{\nu} v_{BL}(t, x, y/\sqrt{\nu}), \end{aligned}$$

(Ans)

- $\mathbf{u}_0 = u_0 \mathbf{t} + v_0 \mathbf{n}$ : solution of the Euler equation,
- $(u_{BL}, v_{BL}) = (u_{BL}, v_{BL})(t, x, Y)$ : *boundary layer corrector*.

Prandtl equation: it is the equation satisfied formally by

$$\begin{aligned}u(t, x, Y) &:= u_0(t, x, 0) + u_{BL}(t, x, Y), \\v(t, x, Y) &:= Y \partial_y v_0(t, x, 0) + v_{BL}(t, x, Y).\end{aligned}$$

Formally, for  $Y > 0$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t u + u \partial_x u + v \partial_Y u - \partial_Y^2 u = (\partial_t u_0 + u_0 \partial_x u_0)|_{y=0}, \\ \partial_x u + \partial_Y v = 0, \\ (u, v)|_{Y=0} = (0, 0), \quad \lim_{Y \rightarrow +\infty} u = u_0|_{y=0}. \end{array} \right.$$

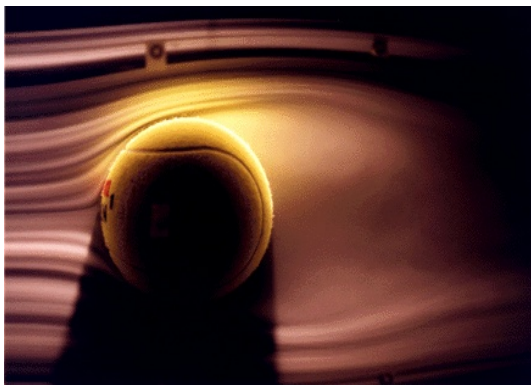
Remarks:

- No curvature term in the operators ( $\neq 3D$ ).
- Curvature is involved through  $u_0$ , and through the domain of definition of  $x$ . Classical choices:
  - a)  $x \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{T}$  (local study in  $x$ , outside of a convex obstacle)
  - b)  $x \in (0, L)$ , with an “initial” condition at  $x = 0$ .

Question: Is the Ansatz (Ans) justified ?

Credo: Yes, but only locally in space-time. Experiments show a lot of instabilities.

Example: Boundary layer separation



# Mathematical results

Problem 1: Cauchy theory for Prandtl ?

Problem 2: Justification of (Ans) ?

For both pbs, *the choice of the functional spaces is crucial.*

*Problem 1:*

- $(x, Y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$ , *analyticity in  $x$ . Well-posed locally in time* ([Sammartino 1998], [Cannone 2003]).
- $(x, Y) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}_+$ , *monotonicity in  $y$ . Well-posed locally in time, globally under further assumptions* ([Oleinik 1967], [Xin 2004]).

Remark: Without monotonicity, there are solutions that blow up in finite time: [E 1997].

*Problem 2:*

- Analytic framework: the asymptotics holds [Sammartino 1998].
- Sobolev framework: the asymptotics does not always hold in  $H^1$  [Grenier,2000]. Relies on Rayleigh instability.

Natural question: Is Prandtl well-posed in Sobolev type spaces ?

We consider the case:  $x \in \mathbb{T}$ ,  $u^0 = 0$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t u + u \partial_x u + v \partial_y u - \partial_y^2 u = 0, \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \\ \partial_x u + \partial_y v = 0, \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \\ (u, v)|_{y=0} = (0, 0). \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{P})$$

## Well- or ill-posed ?

Pb: To guess the correct answer !

*No standard estimate available for the linearized system.*

Example: Let  $U(t, y)$  satisfying  $\partial_t U - \partial_y^2 U = 0$ ,  $U|_{y=0} = 0$ .

The field  $(U(t, y), 0)$  satisfies (P).

Linearized equation:

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$L^2$  estimate: the annoying term is  $\int v \partial_y U u \sim O(\int |\partial_x u| |u|)$ .

*A priori*, loss of an  $x$ -derivative.



Another clue for ill-posedness: Freezing the coefficients, leads to the dispersion relation

$$\omega = k_x U + i \partial_y U \frac{k_x}{k_y} - i k_y^2.$$

*Suggests that the equation is strongly ill-posed ...* But this is misleading !

Simpler situation: no vertical diffusion,  $U = U'_s(y)$ :

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- Frozen coefficients: bad dispersion relation.
- But an explicit computation yields

$$u(t, x, y) = u_0(x - U_s(y)t, y) + t U'_s(y) \int_0^y \partial_x u_0(x - U_s(z)t, z) dz.$$

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## Theorems

The main theorem is on the linearization (PL) (around  $U = U_s(y)$ )

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### Theorem (Linear ill-posedness in the Sobolev setting) (with E. Dormy)

There exists  $U_s \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+)$  such that: for all  $T > 0$ , one can find  $u_0$  satisfying

- 1  $e^y u_0 \in H^\infty(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+)$
- 2 Equation (PL) has no distributional solution  $u$  with

$$u \in L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+)), \quad \partial_y u \in L^2(0, T \times \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+)$$

and initial data  $u_0$ .

'The k-th Fourier mode grows like  $e^{c\sqrt{kt}}$ '

Pondering on this linear result, one can establish a nonlinear result (joint work with T. NGuyen)

*"If the nonlinear Prandtl equation (P) generates a flow, this flow is not Lipschitz continuous from bounded sets of  $e^{-y} H^m(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+)$  to  $H^1(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}_+)$ , for arbitrarily small times."*

## A few hints at the proof of the linear result

- 1 *The non-existence of solutions for some initial data amounts to the non-continuity of the semigroup.*

Simple consequence on the closed graph theorem.

- 2 Proof of non-continuity.

- 1 High frequency analysis of (PL) in the  $x$  variable:

Construction of a quasimode, of WKB type. Allows to reduce the instability pb to a spectral problem for a differential operator on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- 2 Resolution of the spectral problem.
- 3 Consequence on the semigroup.

### High frequency analysis

Key Assumption:  $U'_s(y_c) = 0, \quad U''_s(y_c) < 0.$

One looks for solutions that read 
$$\begin{cases} u(t, x, y) = i e^{i \frac{\omega(\varepsilon)t+x}{\varepsilon}} v'_\varepsilon(y), \\ v(t, x, y) = \varepsilon^{-1} e^{i \frac{\omega(\varepsilon)t+x}{\varepsilon}} v_\varepsilon(y). \end{cases}$$

System:

$$\begin{cases} (\omega(\varepsilon) + U_s)v'_\varepsilon - U'_s v_\varepsilon + i\varepsilon v_\varepsilon^{(3)} = 0, & y > 0, \\ v_\varepsilon|_{y=0} = 0, & v'_\varepsilon|_{y=0} = 0. \end{cases}$$

Remark: Singular perturbation problem in  $y$ .

Simpler case:  $\varepsilon = 0$  (inviscid version):

$$\begin{cases} (\omega + U_s)v' - U'_s v = 0, & y > 0, \\ v|_{y=0} = 0. \end{cases}$$

One parameter family of eigenelements:

$$\omega = \omega_a := -U_s(a), \quad v = v_a := H(y - a)(U_s - U_s(a)).$$

Remarks:

- Whether  $a$  is a critical point or not,  $v_a$  is more or less regular at  $y = a$ .
- $\omega_a \in \mathbb{R}$ : high frequency oscillations  $e^{i\frac{\omega_a t}{\varepsilon}}$ .

How are these oscillations affected by the singular perturbation  $i\varepsilon v_\varepsilon^{(3)}$  ?

Remark: Similar question for the incompressible limit of the Navier-Stokes equation in bounded domains:

- The high frequency oscillations are the acoustic waves,  $e^{i\lambda_k t/\varepsilon}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- The singular perturbation is the diffusion in Navier-Stokes.

[Desjardins et al 1999]: *Diffusion induces a correction  $O(\sqrt{\varepsilon})$  of  $\lambda_k$ , with positive imaginary part.*

*Leads to a damping of the waves, with typical time  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ .*



Prandtl case: For  $a = y_c$ ,  $\omega_a$  undergoes a correction of order  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ , but with negative imaginary part.

Leads to exponential growth, with typical time  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ .

Ansatz:

- “Eigenvalue”: correction of order  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ :

$$\omega(\varepsilon) \approx -U_s(y_c) + \sqrt{\varepsilon}\tau$$

- “Eigenvector”: correction has two parts:
  - a “large scale” part, satisfying the equation up to  $O(\varepsilon)$ , away from  $y = y_c$ .
  - a “shear layer” part, which compensates for discontinuities at  $y = y_c$ .

$$v_\varepsilon(y) \approx H(y - y_c) (U_s(y) - U_s(y_c) + \sqrt{\varepsilon}\tau) + \sqrt{\varepsilon}V \left( \frac{y - y_c}{\varepsilon^{1/4}} \right).$$

Formally:  $V = V(z)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{R}$ , satisfies:

$$\begin{cases} \left( \tau + U_s''(y_c) \frac{z^2}{2} \right) V' - U_s''(y_c) z V + i V^{(3)} = 0, & z \neq 0, \\ [V]_{|z=0} = -\tau, & [V']_{|z=0} = 0, & [V'']_{|z=0} = -U''(a), \\ \lim_{\pm\infty} V = 0. \end{cases}$$

Remark: Too many constraints, so the parameter  $\tau$ .

Idea: There is a solution  $(\tau, V)$  with  $\text{Im}\tau < 0$ .

Integrating factor:

$$V(z) = \left( \tau + U_s''(y_c) \frac{z^2}{2} \right) W(z) - \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{R}_+}(z) \left( \tau + U_s''(y_c) \frac{z^2}{2} \right).$$

Change of variable:

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$$\boxed{(\tau - z^2)^2 \frac{d}{dz} W + i \frac{d^3}{dz^3} \left( (\tau - z^2) W \right) = 0,} \quad \text{(ODE)}$$

such that  $\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} W = 0$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} W = 1$ .

The spectral condition (SC)

Remark: (ODE) is an equation on  $X = W'$ :

$$\boxed{i(\tau - z^2)X'' - 6izX' + \left( (\tau - z^2)^2 - 6i \right) X = 0.} \quad \text{(EDO2)}$$

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such that  $\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} W = 0$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} W = 1$ .

The spectral condition (SC)

Remark: (ODE) is an equation on  $X = W'$ :

$$\boxed{i(\tau - z^2)X'' - 6izX' + \left( (\tau - z^2)^2 - 6i \right) X = 0.} \quad (\text{EDO2})$$

Step 1: consider an auxiliary eigenvalue problem:

$$Au := \frac{1}{z^2 + 1} u'' + \frac{6z}{(z^2 + 1)^2} u' + \frac{6}{(z^2 + 1)^2} u = \alpha u$$

### Proposition

$A : D(A) \mapsto \mathcal{L}^2$  selfadjoint, with

$$D(A) := \left\{ u \in \mathcal{H}^1, Au \in \mathcal{L}^2 \right\},$$

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$A$  has a positive eigenvalue.

Proof: One has  $Au = A_1u + A_2u$ , with

$$A_1u := \frac{1}{z^2 + 1}u'' + \frac{6z}{(z^2 + 1)^2}u',$$

selfadjoint and negative in  $\mathcal{L}^2$ , and

$$A_2u := \frac{6}{(z^2 + 1)^2}u$$

selfadjoint and  $A_1$ -compact. So  $\Sigma_{\text{ess}}(A) = \Sigma_{\text{ess}}(A_1) \subset \mathbb{R}_-$ .

Moreover,  $(Au, u) > 0$  for  $u(z) = e^{-2z^2}$ .

Change of variable: There is  $\tau < 0$ , and  $Y$  solving

$$(\tau - z^2) Y'' - 6zY' + ((\tau - z^2)^2 - 6)Y = 0.$$

Step 2:

### Proposition

i)  $Y$  can be extended into a holomorphic solution in

$$U_\tau := \mathbb{C} \setminus \left( \left[ -i\infty, -i|\tau|^{1/2} \right] \cup \left[ i|\tau|^{1/2}, +i\infty \right] \right).$$

ii) In the sectors

$$\arg z \in (-\pi/4 + \delta, \pi/4 - \delta), \text{ and } \arg z \in (3\pi/4 + \delta, 5\pi/4 - \delta), \delta > 0,$$

$$|Y(z)| \leq C_\delta \exp(-z^2/4).$$

The proof relies on standard results of complex analysis. In each sector, one has even an asymptotic expansion of the solution as  $|z| \rightarrow +\infty$ .

Allows to consider

$$z := e^{-i\pi/8} z', \quad z' \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \tau := e^{-i\pi/4} \tau', \quad X(z') := Y(z).$$

Yields a solution  $(\tau, X)$  of (EDO2), with  $\operatorname{Im} \tau < 0$ , and  $X \xrightarrow{\pm\infty} 0$ .

Step 3:

To go from  $X$  to  $W$  through integration. One must check that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} X \neq 0$ .

Reductio ad absurdum: if  $\int X = 0$ ,

$$V := (\tau - z^2) \int_{-\infty}^z X$$

satisfies the energy estimate

$$\operatorname{Im} \tau \int_{\mathbb{R}} |V''|^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |V^{(3)}|^2$$

Contradicts  $\operatorname{Im} \tau < 0$ .



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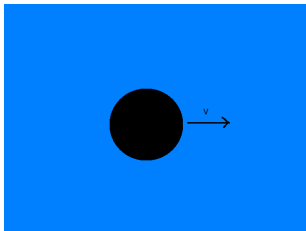
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Theorem (Ladyzhenskaya 1969, Heywood 1974)

Let  $\Omega$  be the exterior of the unit disk, and  $u$  be a weak solution of the Stokes equation satisfying

$$u|_{\partial\Omega} = V, \quad \int_{\Omega} |D(u)|^2 < +\infty$$

Then,  $u \equiv V$  over  $\Omega$

In particular,  $u$  does not go to zero at infinity.

**Proof:** The field  $v = u - V$  satisfies

$$-\Delta v + \nabla p = 0 \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

Hence,

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla \varphi = 0, \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{\sigma}(\Omega).$$

But

$$\mathcal{D}_{\sigma}(\Omega) \text{ is dense in } \{v \in \dot{H}^1(\Omega), \quad v|_{\partial\Omega} = 0\}.$$

so that  $\int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 = 0$ .

Remarks:

- The density result does not hold in 3d, the same for Stokes paradox.
- The Stokes approximation is not justified: the low Reynolds number limit has no meaning (no typical scale in the problem).
- As soon as the Navier-Stokes flow, or the linear Oseen flow is considered, the paradox does not hold.

## Example 2: The non-collision paradox

*In a NS flow, rigid bodies sink, but never hit the bottom !*

This paradox will be discussed later.

## Governing equations

Framework:

- One rigid solid, in a cavity full of an incompressible viscous fluid.
- Both the solid and the fluid are homogeneous.

Cavity: domain  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d = 2$  or  $3$ :

$$\Omega := \overline{S(t)} \cup F(t)$$

$S(t)$ ,  $F(t)$ : solid and fluid subdomains at time  $t$ .

- Navier-Stokes equations in  $F(t)$ :

$$\begin{cases} \rho_F (\partial_t u_F + u_F \cdot \nabla u_F) - \mu \Delta u_F = -\nabla p + \rho_F f, \\ \operatorname{div} u_F = 0. \end{cases} \quad (\text{NS})$$



- Classical mechanics for the solid.

- ▶ Rigid velocity field:

$$u_S(t, x) = \dot{x}(t) + \omega(t) \times (x - x(t))$$

- ▶ Conservation of the linear momentum

$$m_S \ddot{x}(t) = \int_{\partial S(t)} \Sigma n d\sigma + \int_{S(t)} \rho_S f,$$

- ▶ Conservation of the angular momentum

$$\frac{d}{dt} (J_S(t) \dot{\omega}(t)) = \int_{\partial S(t)} (x - x(t)) \times (\Sigma n) d\sigma + \int_{S(t)} (x - x(t)) \times \rho_S f$$

Notations:  $x(t)$ : center of mass,  $m_S$  : total mass of the solid,

$\Sigma$  : stress tensor at the solid surface,  $J_S$  : inertial tensor.

$$J_S(t) = \int_{S(t)} (|x - x(t)|^2 - (x - x(t)) \otimes (x - x(t)))$$

Remark:  $J_S(t) = Q(t)J_S(0)Q(t)^{-1}$ ,  $Q(t)$ : orthogonal matrix.

- Continuity constraints at the fluid solid interface

$$\begin{cases} (\Sigma n)|_{\partial S(t)} = (2\mu D(u)n - pn)|_{\partial S(t)} \\ u_F|_{\partial S(t)} = u_S|_{\partial S(t)} \end{cases}$$

- No slip condition at the boundary.

$$u_F|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

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## Definitions

Many works on the well-posedness of viscous fluid-solid systems.

Key : *Global variational formulation over  $\Omega$* . Let

$$u(t, x) := u_S(t, x) \text{ si } x \in S(t), \quad u_F(t, x) \text{ if } x \in F(t),$$

$$\rho(t, x) = \rho_S \mathbf{1}_{S(t)}(x) + \rho_F \mathbf{1}_{F(t)}(x), \quad \chi^S(t, x) = \chi_S \mathbf{1}_{S(t)}(x).$$

- Constraints:

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0, \quad u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \quad \chi^S D(u) = 0. \quad (\text{Co})$$

- Conservation of mass: for all  $T > 0$

$$\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0, \quad \partial_t \chi^S u + \operatorname{div}(\chi^S u) = 0. \quad (\text{CM})$$

- Conservation of momentum in weak form: for all  $T > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^T \int_{\Omega} \left( \rho u \cdot \partial_t \varphi + \rho u \otimes u : D(\varphi) - \mu D(u) : D(\varphi) + \rho f \cdot \varphi \right) dx ds + \int_{\Omega} \rho_0 u_0 \cdot \varphi(0) = 0, \quad (\text{VF})$$

for all  $\varphi$  in the test space

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ \varphi \in \mathcal{D}([0, T] \times \Omega), \quad \nabla \cdot \varphi = 0, \quad \chi^S(t) D(\varphi) = 0, \quad \forall t \right\}$$

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Data:  $S(0) \in \Omega$ ,  $u^0 \in L^2_\sigma(\Omega)$ ,  $f \in L^2_{loc}(0, +\infty; L^2(\Omega))$ .

### Definition (weak solution)

A *weak solution* over  $(0, T)$ ,  $T > 0$ , is a triple  $(S, F, u)$  such that :

- $S(t)$  is a connected open set  $\Omega$ , for all  $0 < t < T$ , and  $F(t) = \Omega \setminus \overline{S(t)}$ .
- The field  $u$ , and functions  $\rho$ ,  $\chi^S$  as above, satisfy

$$u \in L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^2(0, T; H^1_0(\Omega)), \quad \rho, \chi^S \in L^\infty(0, T \times \Omega)$$

as well as equations (Co), (VF).

- The following energy inequality holds for a.e.  $t \in (0, T)$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega \rho(t) |u(t)|^2 + \mu \int_0^t \int_\Omega |\nabla u(s)|^2 ds \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega \rho_0 |u_0|^2 + \int_0^t \rho f(s) \cdot u(s) ds$$

## Definition (strong solution)

A *strong solution* over  $(0, T)$ ,  $T > 0$ , is a weak solution with additional regularity:

$$u \in L^\infty(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega)) \cap L^2(0, T; W^{1,p}(\Omega)) \text{ for all finite } p, \\ \partial_t u \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Omega)).$$

Remark: The situation is similar to the one of Navier-Stokes. Broadly

- Weak solutions are defined globally in time, even after possible collision between the solid and the boundary of the cavity.
- They are unique up to collision in 2d.
- They are not unique after collision (lack of a bouncing law).
- Strong solutions exist locally in time, up to collision in 2d.



# Existence of weak solutions

## Theorem

There exists a weak solution over  $(0, T)$  for all  $T$ .

Refs : [Desjardins et al, 1999], [Hoffman et al, 1999], [San Martin et al, 2002], [Feireisl, 2003].

A few ideas from the proof.

Borrows to the inhomogeneous Navier-Stokes. Approximations are constructed by *relaxing the rigidity constraint inside the solid*.

Typically:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho^n + \operatorname{div}(\rho^n u^n) = 0, & \partial_t \chi_S^n + \operatorname{div}(\chi_S^n u^n) = 0 \\ \partial_t(\rho^n u^n) + \dots - \operatorname{div}(\mu^n D(u^n)) = \dots, \end{cases}$$

with  $\mu^n := \mu(1 - \chi_S^n) + n\chi_S^n$ .

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*One needs the Hausdorff convergence of  $S^n$ , not only the convergence of the characteristic functions.*

⇒ The transport equation on  $\chi_S^n$  must be modified.

Idea: Instead of transporting  $S_0$  by  $u^n$ , one can:

- transport the  $\delta$ -interior of  $S_0$  by  $\rho_\delta \star u^n$
- take the  $\delta$ -exterior of the transported solid.

At fixed  $\delta$ : smooth transport field. The Hausdorff convergence holds.

Asymptotically in  $n$ , one will have a rigid limit field  $u^\delta$  over  $S^\delta$ . Now:

$$\rho_\delta \star u^\delta = u^\delta \quad \text{in the } \delta\text{-interior of } S.$$

⇒  $\delta$  is not harmful !

Back to the strong compactness of  $u^n$ : let

$P_{S(\tau)}^s$  the projector in  $H_\sigma^s(\Omega)$  on the subspace of all rigid fields over  $S(\tau)$ ,  
and  $P_{S(\tau)}^{s,*}$  its dual operator.

- One proves, locally around each time  $\tau$ , some strong compactness for  $\left(P_{S(\tau)}^{s,*}(\rho u^n)\right)$ ,  $s < 1$ .
- One shows that  $P_{S(\tau)}^s(u^n)$  is "uniformly close" to  $u^n$ .

Combining both yields the strong convergence of  $(u^n)$ .

## Related Problem: slip boundary conditions

In link with the no-collision paradox, it can be a good idea *to allow for some slip at the solid boundaries*.

Idea: to replace the *Dirichlet conditions*

$$(u_F - u_S)|_{\partial S(t)} = 0, \quad u_F|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

by the *Navier conditions*:

- No penetration:  $(u_F - u_S) \cdot n|_{\partial S(t)} = 0, \quad u_F \cdot n|_{\partial S(t)} = 0.$

- Tangential stress

$$\begin{cases} (u_F - u_S) \times n|_{\partial S(t)} = -2 \beta_S D(u)n \times n|_{\partial S(t)}, \\ u_F \times n|_{\partial\Omega} = -2 \beta_\Omega D(u)n \times n|_{\partial\Omega}. \end{cases}$$

$\beta_S, \beta_P > 0$ : slip lengths.

Existence of weak solutions ?

The main problem is the discontinuity of  $u$  across the fluid-solid interface.

⇒ the global velocity  $u \notin H^1$ .

⇒ No uniform  $H^1$  bound on approximations  $u^n$ .

The same approach as before, based on an analogy with density dependent Navier-Stokes and DiPerna-Lions results, is not available as such.

*Recent joint work with M. Hillairet: "Existence of weak solutions up to collision".*

*Approximate transport equation:*

$$\partial_t \chi^{n,S} + \operatorname{div} (u_S^n \chi^{n,S}) = 0, \quad \rho^n := \rho_F(1 - \chi_S^n) + \rho_S \chi_S^n.$$

where  $u_S^n$  is a rigid velocity field.

Namely,  $u_S^n$  is the orthogonal projection of  $u^n$  in  $L^2(S^n)$  over the space of rigid velocity fields

Remark: The transport equation is nonlinear in the unknown  $\chi_S^n$ .

Advantages

- Space regularity is not a problem: DiPerna-Lions theory applies
- Hausdorff convergence of  $S^n$  will be automatic.



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The same problem holds for continuous test functions  $\varphi^n$ , converging to discontinuous test functions  $\varphi$ .

$\Rightarrow$  One has to construct with care  $v^n, \varphi^n$ .

Although there is concentration near  $\partial S^n$ ,  $u^n$  has still  $H^s$  uniform bounds for small  $s$ . Gives some compactness in space ...

## Strong solutions

We restrict to 2d.

### Theorem

Under the following regularity assumptions

- $u_0 \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ ,  $\nabla \cdot u_0 = 0$ ,  $D(u_0) = 0$  in  $S(0)$ ,
- $f \in L_{loc}^2(0, +\infty; W^{1,\infty}(\Omega))$ ,
- $\Omega$  and  $S(0)$  have  $C^{1,1}$  boundaries.

there is a maximal  $T_*$  and a unique strong solution on  $(0, T)$  for all  $T < T_*$ . Moreover,

a) either  $T_* = +\infty$  and  $\text{dist}(S(t), \partial\Omega) > 0$ , for all  $t$ .

b) or  $T_* < +\infty$  and  $\text{dist}(S(t), \partial\Omega) > 0$ , for all  $t < T_*$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T_*} \text{dist}(S(t), \partial\Omega) = 0.$$

Refs : Existence : [Desjardins et al, 1999]. Uniqueness : [Takahashi, 2003].

Remark : Important  $C^{1,1}$  assumption.

Used in the fluid domain  $F(t)$  :

$$-\Delta u + \nabla p = \mathcal{F} = f - \partial_t u - u \cdot \nabla u, \quad \nabla \cdot u = 0.$$

Elliptic regularity  $L^2 \mapsto H^2$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T \int_{F(t)} |\nabla^2 u|^2(t, \cdot) &\leq C \int_0^T \int_{F(t)} |\mathcal{F}(t, \cdot)|^2 \\ &\leq C \left( \|f\|_{L^2 L^2}^2 + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^2 L^2}^2 + \int_0^T \|u\|_{L^4}^2 \|\nabla u\|_{L^4}^2 \right) \\ &\leq C \left( \|f\|_{L^2 L^2}^2 + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^2 L^2}^2 + \|u\|_{L^\infty H^1}^2 \|\nabla u\|_{L^2 L^4}^2 < +\infty \right) \end{aligned}$$

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where the supremum is taken over all open balls  $B$  in  $\mathcal{O}$ .

We denote

$$\|f\|_{\text{BMO}(\mathcal{O})} := \sup_B \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |f(x) - \bar{f}_B| dx \text{ (semi-norm)}.$$

Remark :  $H^{d/2}(\mathcal{O}) \mapsto \text{BMO}(\mathcal{O})$ ,  $\mathcal{O}$  ouvert de  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

Remark :  $\|u\|_{L^q} \leq C \|u\|_{L^p}^\theta (\|u\|_{\text{BMO}} + \|u\|_{L^1})^{1-\theta}$ ,  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{\theta}{p}$ ,  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ .

## Proposition

Let  $\mathcal{O}$  a bounded open set  $C^{1,\alpha}$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Let

$$F \in L^2(\mathcal{O}) \cap \text{BMO}(\mathcal{O}), \quad g \in L^2(\mathcal{O}) \cap \text{BMO}(\mathcal{O}).$$

Then, the weak solution  $(u, p)$  of the Stokes system

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u + \nabla p = \text{div } F, & x \in \mathcal{O}, \\ \text{div } u = g, & x \in \mathcal{O}, \\ u|_{\partial\mathcal{O}} = 0, \end{cases}$$

satisfies

$$\|(\nabla u, p)\|_{\text{BMO}(\mathcal{O})} \leq C \left( \|(F, g)\|_{\text{BMO}(\mathcal{O})} + \|(F, g)\|_{L^2(\mathcal{O})} \right).$$

Remark:  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : use the continuity of Riesz transforms over BMO.

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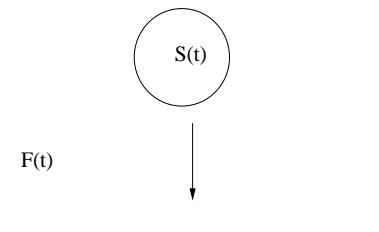
- D'Alembert's paradox (1752)
- Boundary layer theory

## 2 Viscous fluids

- Navier-Stokes type models
- Weak and strong solutions
- Drag computation and the no-collision paradox

## Motivations

One homogeneous rough solid, in a viscous fluid, above a wall.



Fluid and solid at time  $t$  :  $F(t), S(t)$ .

Aim : To describe solid's dynamics near the wall.

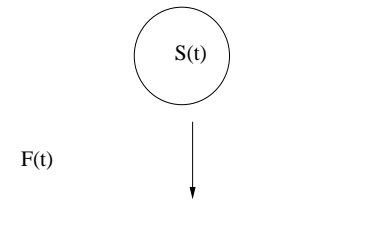
Question : Effect of solid roughness on the drag ?

At least two reasons to wonder about the roughness effect:

Reason 1: The no-collision paradox

Remark: Fluid-solid interaction is full of paradoxes !

Example: Immersed sphere, falling above a wall under the action of gravity.



Question: Will the sphere touch the wall ?

Archimedes ( $\sim 265$  B.C.): If  $\rho_S > \rho_F$ , collision.

Relies on the hydrostatic approximation :

$$\text{Stress tensor : } \Sigma := (-p_{atm} - \rho_F g z) l_3.$$

Force on the disk :

$$f = -\rho_S g e_z |S(t)| + \int_{\partial S(t)} \Sigma n = (\rho_F - \rho_S) g |S(t)| e_z.$$

Pb : The drag due to molecular pressure and viscosity is neglected.

Refined model: The one we have seen :

- Stokes or Navier-Stokes for the liquid.
- Classical laws of mechanics for the solid.
- *The stress tensor at the solid surfaces includes the newtonian tensor of the fluid.*

Surprise : *In this framework, there is no collision between the sphere and the wall !!*

Refs: Stokes : [Brenner et al, 1963], [Cooley et al, 1969]. NS : [Hillairet, 2007]

Question : What is the flaw of the model ?

Refs : [Davis et al, 1986], [Barnocky et al, 1989], [Smart et al, 1989], [Davis et al, 2003].

*Most popular idea:*

*Nothing is as smooth as a sphere. The irregularity of the solid surface can change the solids' dynamics.*

⇒ *Need to compute the drag, notably for rough boundaries.*

## Reason 2: Microfluidics

Goal: To make fluids flow through very small devices.

Example: Microchannels with diameter  $\sim \mu\text{m}$ .

Pb: The Reynolds number is very small.

*To minimize (viscous) friction at the walls is crucial.*

Many theoretical and experimental works.

Refs : [Tabeling, 2004], [Bocquet, 2007 and 2012], [Vinogradova, 2009 and 2012].

Summary: At such scales, the no-slip condition usually satisfied by a viscous fluid at a wall is not always satisfied. *Some rough surfaces (hydrophobic) increase the slip.*

Pb:

- To maximize slip (shape optimization).
- To derive an equivalent macroscopic boundary condition (*wall law*).

Idea [Vinogradova, 2009]

- measure of the drag exerted on a solid that gets closer and closer to the rough surface.
- comparison with the asymptotics predicted by the wall laws.

⇒ *To obtain an approximate expression for the drag, for various models of roughness.*



## Main models and results

One rough solid above a rough wall.

$S(t)$ : rough sphere.  $P$ : rough plane. Fluid:  $F(t)$ .

We denote  $h(t) := \text{dist}(S(t), P)$ .

Restriction: the solid translates along a vertical axis.

Remarks: For this constraint to be preserved with time:

- One needs good symmetry properties for the solid and the wall. They will be satisfied in our models.
- The mathematical model must have a good Cauchy theory (uniqueness problem).

Remark: the geometry of the domain is characterized by  $h$ :

$$S(t) = S_{h(t)} = h(t) e_z + S, \quad F(t) = F_{h(t)},$$

$S_h = h e_z + S$ ,  $F_h$ : domains frozen at distance  $h$ .

## Equations:

- Stokes equations in the fluid:  $x \in F(t), t > 0$ :

$$-\Delta u + \nabla p = 0, \quad \operatorname{div} u = 0.$$

- Classical mechanics for the solid:

$$\ddot{h}(t) = \int_{\partial S(t)} (2D(u)n - pn) d\sigma \cdot e_z$$

$n$  : outward normal,  $D(u) = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla u + (\nabla u)^t)$ .

Boundary conditions: will have the following general form:

- No penetration:  $u \cdot n|_P = 0, \quad (u - \dot{h}(t) e_z) \cdot n|_{\partial S(t)} = 0.$

- Tangential stress

$$\begin{cases} u \times n|_P = -2 \beta_P D(u)n \times n|_P, \\ (u - \dot{h}(t) e_z) \times n|_{\partial S(t)} = -2 \beta_S D(u)n \times n|_{\partial S(t)}. \end{cases}$$

$\beta_S, \beta_P \geq 0$ : slip lengths.

If  $= 0$ : no-slip (Dirichlet). If  $> 0$ : slip (Navier).

Crucial remark: This system turns into an ODE

$$\ddot{h}(t) = -\dot{h}(t) f_{h(t)}. \quad (\text{ED})$$

with drag

$$f_h = - \int_{\partial S_h} (2D(u_h)n - p_h n) d\sigma \cdot e_z$$

where  $(u_h, p_h)$  solution of

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u_h + \nabla p_h = 0, & \operatorname{div} u_h = 0, \\ u_h \cdot n|_P = 0, & (u_h - e_z) \cdot n|_{\partial S_h} = 0, \\ u_h \times n|_P = -2\beta_P D(u_h)n \times n|_P \\ (u_h - e_z) \times n|_{\partial S_h} = -2\beta_S D(u_h)n \times n|_{\partial S_h} \end{cases} \quad (\text{S})$$

Remark: One can forget about the dynamics.

Goal: Study of  $f_h$ ,  $h$  small, for various models of roughness.

Model 1: Non-smooth surface.

Cylindrical coordinates :  $(r, \theta, z)$ .

- $P : \{z = 0\}$
- $S$  : ball of radius 1, perturbed near the south pole by a  $C^{1,\alpha}$  "tip",  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Locally, for  $r < r_0$ :

$$z = 1 - \sqrt{1 - r^2} + \varepsilon r^{1+\alpha}$$

- $\beta_P = \beta_S = 0$ .

Remark: With this irregularity,  $(\nabla u_h, p_h)$  is not  $H^1$  near the boundary.

But one can show that :  $(\nabla u_h, p_h) \in W^{s,\tau}$  for some  $s, \tau$  with  $s > 1/\tau$ .

Allows to define  $f_h$ .

Model 2: Wall law of Navier type.

- $P : \{z = 0\}$ .
- $S$  : ball of radius 1.
- $\beta_P$  or  $\beta_S > 0$ .

Model 3: Oscillations of small amplitude and wavelength.

- $P : \{z = \varepsilon\gamma\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon}\right)\}$ ,  
with  $\gamma$  periodic, smooth,  $\leq 0$ ,  $\gamma(0, 0) = 0$ .
- $S$  : ball of radius 1.
- $\beta_P = \beta_S = 0$ .

Remark: The study is limited to the case  $\varepsilon \ll h$ .

Remark: Limit case :  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0, \beta_S, \beta_P \rightarrow 0$ :

One recovers the well-known case of a sphere and a plane. Cooley-O'Neil, Cox-Brenner:

$$f_h \sim \frac{6\pi}{h}, \quad h \rightarrow 0.$$

(which implies no-collision).

Pb: Relies on the computation of the exact solution. Heavy and restricted to simple geometries.

The study of roughness effects requires another approach ...

## Proposition (Expression of the drag for model 1):

Let  $\beta := \varepsilon h^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}}$ .

- In the regime  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\beta \rightarrow 0$ :

$$f_h \sim \frac{6\pi}{h} (1 + c\beta) \quad c = c(\alpha) \text{ explicit.}$$

- In the regime  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$  (and  $\varepsilon = O(1)$ ):

- ▶ If  $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_h \sim c \varepsilon^{\frac{-4}{1+\alpha}} h^{-\frac{3\alpha-1}{\alpha+1}} \quad c = c(\alpha) \text{ explicit.}$$

- ▶ If  $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_h \sim c \varepsilon^{-3} |\ln h| \quad c \text{ explicit.}$$

- ▶ If  $\alpha < \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_h = c \varepsilon^{\frac{-2}{1-\alpha}} + O(|\ln \varepsilon|) \quad c = c(\alpha) \text{ explicit.}$$

### Remarks:

- Collisions are allowed by the model for all  $\alpha < 1$ . Not allowed for  $C^{1,1}$  boundaries.
- The more the boundary is irregular, the less the drag is.
- One recovers the classical result as  $\varepsilon = 0$  (with a much simpler proof).

### Proposition (Expression of the drag for model 2):

- In the regime  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\beta_S, \beta_P = O(1)$ , with  $h/\beta_S$  or  $h/\beta_P$  uniformly lower bounded, one has

$$\boxed{\frac{c}{h} \leq f_h \leq \frac{C}{h}} \quad c, C > 0.$$

- In the regime  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\beta_S, \beta_P = O(1)$ , with  $h/\beta_S \rightarrow 0$  and  $h/\beta_P \rightarrow 0$ , one has

$$\boxed{f_h = 2\pi \left( \frac{1}{\beta_S} + \frac{1}{\beta_P} \right) |\ln h| + O\left( \frac{1}{\beta_S} + \frac{1}{\beta_P} \right)}$$



Remark:

- This roughness model also allows for collision, if  $\beta_P$  and  $\beta_S > 0$ .
- Agrees with formal calculations of Hocking (1973)

Proposition (Expression of the drag for model 3):

In the regime  $\varepsilon \ll h \ll 1$ :

$$\frac{6\pi}{h + c\varepsilon} + O(|\ln(h + \varepsilon)|) \leq f_h \leq \frac{6\pi}{h} + O(|\ln h|)$$

Remark: With homogenization techniques, one has

$$f_h \sim \frac{6\pi}{h + \alpha\varepsilon}$$

(if  $\varepsilon/h \rightarrow 0$  fast enough.)

$\alpha$  explicit, associated to some boundary layer problem.

## Sketch of proof

Step 1: Variational characterization of the drag

$$f_h = \min_{u \in \mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{E}_h(u) = \mathcal{E}_h(u_h).$$

for a good energy functional  $\mathcal{E}_h$  and a good admissible set  $\mathcal{A}_h$ .

Dirichlet case (Models 1 and 3):  $\mathcal{E}_h(u) := \int_{F_h} |\nabla u|^2$ , and

$$\mathcal{A}_h := \left\{ u \in H_{loc}^1(F_h), \quad \operatorname{div} u = 0, \quad u|_P = 0, \quad u|_{\partial S_h} = e_z \right\}.$$

Navier case (Model 2):

$$\mathcal{E}_h(u) := \int_{F_h} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{1}{\beta_P} \int_P |u \times n|^2 + \left( \frac{1}{\beta_S} + 1 \right) \int_{\partial S_h} |(u - e_z) \times n|^2,$$

$$\mathcal{A}_h := \left\{ u \in H_{loc}^1(F_h), \quad \operatorname{div} u = 0, \quad u \cdot n|_P = (u - e_z) \cdot n|_{\partial S_h} = 0 \right\}.$$

Step 2: Approximate computation of  $f_h$ , via some relaxed minimization problem.

Rough idea: To find  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_h \leq \mathcal{E}_h$ , and  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_h \supset \mathcal{A}_h$ , such that:

- 1  $\min_{u \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_h} \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_h(u)$  and the associate minimizer can be computed easily.
- 2 The minimizer  $\tilde{u}_h$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}_h$ .

It will follow that:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_h(\tilde{u}_h) \leq f_h \leq \mathcal{E}_h(\tilde{u}_h)$$

If the relaxed pb is close enough to the original one, it will yield a good approximation of the drag.

Remark: this rough idea requires a few adaptations: modification of the minimizer  $\tilde{u}_h$  to have it belong to  $\mathcal{A}_h$ , ...

Remark: The difficulty lies in the choice of the good relaxed problem.

Example: Model 1 ( $C^{1,\alpha}$  tip).

Idea: Simplification due to axisymmetry. The minimizer  $u = u_h$  reads

$$\boxed{u = -\partial_z \phi(r, z) e_r + \frac{1}{r} \partial_r(r\phi) e_z.} \quad (\text{R})$$

with  $\phi = -\int_0^z u_r$ . One restricts to fields in  $\mathcal{A}_h$  of the type (R).

Boundary conditions on  $\phi$ :

- Wall:

$$\partial_z \phi(r, 0) = 0, \quad \phi(r, 0) = 0, \quad (\text{cl1})$$

- Near the south pole:

$$\partial_z \phi(r, h + \gamma_\varepsilon(r)) = 0, \quad \phi(r, h + \gamma_\varepsilon(r)) = \frac{r}{2}, \quad r < r_0 \quad (\text{cl2})$$

where  $\gamma_\varepsilon(r) = 1 - \sqrt{1 - r^2} + \varepsilon r^{1+\alpha}$ .

$$\mathcal{E}_h(u) = \int_{F_h} |\partial_z^2 \phi|^2 + \int_{F_h} |\partial_{rz}^2 \phi|^2 + \dots$$

Idea: The first term is the leading one. Only the zone near  $r = 0$  matters.

Relaxed problem:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_h = \left\{ u \in H_{loc}^1(F_h), \text{ satisfying (R)-(cl1)-(cl2)} \right\},$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_h(u) = \int_0^{r_0} \int_0^{\gamma_\varepsilon(r)} |\partial_z^2 \phi|^2 dz dr$$

1D minimization problems in  $z$ , parametrized by  $r$ . Minimizer:

$$\tilde{\phi}_h(r, z) = \frac{r}{2} \Phi\left(\frac{z}{h + \gamma_\varepsilon(r)}\right), \quad \Phi(t) = t^2(3 - 2t).$$

The minimum for the relaxed problem (lower bound for  $f_h$ ) is

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_h &= 12\pi \int_0^1 \frac{r^3 dr}{(h + \gamma_\varepsilon(r))^3} dr \\ &= 12\pi \int_0^1 \frac{r^3 dr}{(h + \frac{r^2}{2} + \varepsilon r^{1+\alpha})^3} dr + \dots = \mathcal{I}(\beta) + \dots\end{aligned}$$

with  $\beta := \varepsilon h^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}}$ , and

$$\mathcal{I}(\beta) := \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{s^3 dr}{(1 + \frac{s^2}{2} + \beta s^{1+\alpha})^3}.$$

Integral with a parameter, the asymptotics of which can be computed in all regimes.

*Similar drag computations are available for the other models.*

## Extension to Navier-Stokes (Dirichlet)

One solid  $S(t)$  in a cavity  $\Omega$  (bounded domains). Fluid:  $F(t) := \Omega \setminus \overline{S(t)}$ .

- *Navier-Stokes equations in  $F(t)$ :*

$$\begin{cases} \rho_F (\partial_t u_F + u_F \cdot \nabla u_F) - \Delta u_F = -\nabla p - \rho_F g e_z, \\ \operatorname{div} u_F = 0. \end{cases} \quad (\text{NS})$$

- *Solid mechanics in  $S(t)$ :*

$$\begin{cases} u_S(t, x) = U(t) + \omega(t) \times (x - x(t)), & \text{with} \\ m_S \dot{U}(t) = \int_{\partial S(t)} \Sigma n \, d\sigma + \int_{S(t)} \rho_S g e_z, \\ J_S \dot{\omega}(t) = J_S \omega(t) \times \omega(t) + \int_{\partial S(t)} (x - x(t)) \times (\Sigma n) \, d\sigma \\ + \int_{S(t)} (x - x(t)) \times \rho_S g e_z \end{cases} \quad (\text{MS})$$

- Conditions at the interface :

$$\begin{cases} (\Sigma n)|_{\partial S(t)} = (2D(u)n - pn)|_{\partial S(t)} - \rho_F g n|_{\partial S(t)} \\ u_F|_{\partial S(t)} = u_S|_{\partial S(t)} \end{cases} \quad (\text{In})$$

- No slip conditions at the boundary of the cavity :

$$u_F|_{\partial\Omega} = 0. \quad (\text{Pa})$$

## Dynamics of the solid near $\partial\Omega$

One considers "model 1":  $\partial\Omega$  is locally flat, the sphere  $S(t)$  has a  $C^{1,\alpha}$  tip and is in vertical translation.

### Theorem

For any weak solution satisfying the assumptions of model 1, the solid touches the wall in finite time iff  $\alpha < 1$ .



Remark: Similar results in dimension 2. Collision in finite time iff  $\alpha < 1/2$ .

### Idea for the proof

Choose  $\varphi(t, x) = u_{h(t)}(x)$  in the variational formulation.

One has:

$$-\mathcal{F}(h(t)) + (\rho_s - \rho_F) g |S(0)| t = R(t)$$

where

$$\mathcal{F}(h) = \int_{h_0}^h f_{h'} dh'.$$

and  $R(t)$  is a "remainder", coming from the transport in the Navier-Stokes equation.

Pb:  $u_h$  is not available.

Key: Replace  $u_h$  by  $\tilde{u}_h$ , minimizer of the relaxed problem.