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# Formal Instability of 3D Inviscid flows

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## Outline

### I. Background

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2. The Lagrangian specification  $(L, V)$
3. Conservation laws
4. The canonical Hamilton's equations  $(L, V)$

### II. Stability analysis using the energy-momentum method

## I-1. The energy-momentum method

Momentum map  $P$  Poisson manifold,  $\mathfrak{g}$  Lie algebra  
acts on  $P$  canonically,  $J: P \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$

$$\langle J(z), \xi \rangle = J(\xi)z, \xi \in \mathfrak{g}, z \in P$$

where  $J: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(P)$   $X_{J(\xi)} = \xi_P$

The energy-momentum method

Hamiltonian system  $\dot{z} = X_H(z)$

1.  $X_H(z_e)$  is in the group direction
2. Let  $A = H - \langle J, \xi \rangle$
3.  $\delta A(z_e) = 0$
4.  $\delta^2 A(z_e)$  definite

Then  $z_e$  is formally stable

- By Simo, Posbergh and Marsden, Simo, Lewis and Marsden (1991) (1990)
- Step 4 can be modified by the Arnold convexity analysis (useful for  $\infty$ -D systems)

## I-2. The Lagrangian specification of 3D inviscid flows

Assumptions : Incompressible, homogeneous ( $\rho = 1$ )  
inviscid

Configuration space  $Q = G = \text{Diff}_{\text{vol}}(\mathcal{D}) \quad \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$

$l$  - position of fluid particle at  $t=0$

$x$  - position .. .. ..  $t=t$

$$x = \eta(l, t), \quad l = L(x, t) = \eta^{-1}(x, t)$$

$$V(l, t) = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} \quad v = v(x, t) = V(l(x, t), t)$$

$$(\eta, \dot{\eta}) \in TG, \quad v \in q^*, \quad l \in G$$

$$(l, v) \in G \times q^* \cong T^*G \quad \text{canonical Ham. eqns}$$

$(l, v)$  Lagrangian specification

$T^*G$ , Lie-Poisson  
reduction

Reconstruction  $v$  Eulerian specification

$q^*$  Euler-Poincaré  
eqns

Equations of motion on  $q^*$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + v \cdot \nabla v = - \nabla p + v \times \text{curl } R(x)$$

$$\nabla \cdot v = 0$$

Steady flow (Eulerian equilibrium states)

$$\begin{cases} v \cdot \nabla v_e + \nabla p_e = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot v_e = 0 \end{cases}$$

NOT Lagrangian  
equilibrium states

### I-3. Conservation laws

Kelvin's thm

$$\frac{d}{dt} \oint_{Y(t)} \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \iint_{A(t)} \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n} dA = 0$$

Ertel's thm Let  $S(x, t)$  be conserved along fluid particles . i.e.

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla S = 0$$

Then  $\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla S$  is conserved along fluid particles

i.e.  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla S) + \mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla S) = 0$

Corollary  $\frac{d}{dt} [(\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla)^n S] = 0$

corollary  $\Omega = |\mathbf{D}|^{-1} \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla L$  is conserved

$$L \text{ is conserved } \mathbf{D} = \nabla L \quad |\mathbf{D}| \equiv \det(\mathbf{D})$$

corollary  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is smooth &  $C = \int_{\mathcal{D}} F(\Omega) d$

then  $\frac{dC}{dt} = 0$

## I-4. The canonical Hamilton's equations

Let  $D = D_i^b = \frac{\partial l^b}{\partial x^i} = \nabla l$      $|D| \equiv \det(D)$

Let  $H = \int_D \left[ \frac{1}{2} |D| v^2 + p(D-1) \right] d^3x = H(l, v)$

$\{F(l, v), G(l, v)\}$  - canonical Poisson bracket

$$= \int_D \left[ \frac{\delta F}{\delta l} \cdot D \cdot \frac{\delta G}{\delta v} - \frac{\delta G}{\delta l} \cdot D \cdot \frac{\delta F}{\delta v} + \omega \cdot \left( \frac{\delta F}{\delta v} \times \frac{\delta G}{\delta v} \right) \right] \cdot |D|^{-1} d^3x$$

The Hamilton's equations (canonical)       $\omega = \nabla \times v$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t}(x, t) = -\nabla \left( \frac{v^2}{2} + p \right) + v \times \omega$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial t}(x, t) = -v \cdot \nabla l$$

$$\frac{\partial |D|}{\partial t} = -\operatorname{div}(v|D|) \rightarrow \nabla \cdot v = 0$$

$$= \omega \cdot \nabla l$$

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t}(x, t) = -v \cdot \nabla \Omega \quad \Omega := |D|^{-1} \omega \cdot \nabla l$$

- Remark
1. homogeneous, incompressible flow     $|D| = 1$
  2. Eulerian equilibrium states     $v = v(x)$      $p = p(x)$

But  $l = l(x, t)$  !

## II. Stability analysis using the energy-momentum method

### II-1 Eulerian equilibrium states

$$0 = -\nabla \left( \frac{\bar{v}^2}{2} + \bar{P} \right) + \bar{v} \times \bar{\omega}$$

$$0 = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \bar{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \bar{l} (x, t)$$

$$0 = \nabla \cdot \bar{v}$$

$$0 = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \bar{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \Omega (x, t) \quad \Omega = \omega \cdot \nabla l$$

II-2  $\Omega = |D|^{-1} \omega \cdot \nabla l$  is a momentum map

$$(l, v) \in P = G \times \mathfrak{g}^* \cong T^*G$$

identify  $\Omega$  w/ an element in  $\mathfrak{g}^*$

$$\Omega: P \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^* \quad \text{Let } \xi \in \mathfrak{g}$$

$$\text{then } \langle \Omega(l, v), \xi \rangle = \int_{\mathcal{D}} (\Omega, \xi) d^3x$$

To use the energy-momentum method, instead of letting  $A = H - \langle \Omega, \xi \rangle$ . we define

$$A = H + C \quad C = \int_{\mathcal{D}} F(\Omega) |D| d^3x$$

$$\text{II-3. } A = H + C = \int_{\Omega} \left( \frac{1}{2} D V^2 + p(D-1) \right) d^3x \\ + \int_{\Omega} F(\Omega) |D| d^3x$$

$\delta A = 0 \Rightarrow$  Eulerian equilibrium states

$$\delta^2 A = \int_{\Omega} \left[ |\bar{D}| (\delta v)^2 + 2 \bar{v} \cdot \delta v \delta |D| + 2 \delta p \delta |D| \right. \\ \left. + \bar{F}_a (2 \delta \Omega^a \delta D + |\bar{D}| \delta^2 \Omega^a) + |\bar{D}| \bar{F}_{ab} \delta \Omega^a \delta \Omega^b \right. \\ \left. + \delta^2 D \left( \frac{1}{2} \bar{V}^2 + \bar{P} + \bar{F} \right) \right] d^3x$$

where  $\bar{F} = F(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $\bar{F}_a = \frac{\partial \bar{F}}{\partial \bar{\Omega}^a}$ ,  $\bar{F}_{ab} = \frac{\partial^2 \bar{F}}{\partial \bar{\Omega}^a \partial \bar{\Omega}^b}$

$$D=1 \Rightarrow \delta D=0, \delta^2 D=0$$

$$\delta \Omega^a = (\delta \omega)^i D_i^a + \omega^i (\delta D)_i^a$$

$$(\delta \omega)^i = (\text{curl } \delta v)^i, (\delta D)_i^a = \frac{\partial \delta \Omega^a}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\delta v|^2 d^3x = \int_{\Omega} \delta \omega \cdot \left( -\frac{1}{\nabla^2} \right) \cdot \delta \omega d^3x$$

$$\delta^2 A = \int [sw^i, (\delta D)^a_{;i}] \begin{bmatrix} M_{ij} \\ -\frac{\delta_{ij}}{\nabla^2} + D_i^c F_{cm} D_j^{m*} \\ F_b \delta_{ij} + D_i^c F_{cb} w^j \\ F_a \delta_{ij} + D_i^c F_{ac} w^i \\ w^i F_{ab} w^j \end{bmatrix} d^3x$$

$$\text{Let } M_{ij} = -\frac{\delta_{ij}}{\nabla^2} + D_i^a F_{ab} D_j^b$$

① Suppose  $M > 0$  Consider the following deformation

$$w^i \delta D_i^a = (w \cdot \nabla) \delta l^a = 0$$

$$\text{then } \delta^2 A = \int (\delta w^i M_{ij} \delta w^j + 2 \delta w^i F_a \nabla_j \delta l^a) d^3x$$

Let  $\lambda > 0$  &  $\psi_\lambda^i(x)$  be the eigenvalue and eigenfunction of  $M_{ij}$

$$\delta w^i(x) = \int c_\lambda \psi_\lambda^i(x) d\lambda$$

$$\delta^2 A = \int (\lambda |c_\lambda|^2 \int |\psi_\lambda|^2 d^3x + 2 c_\lambda^* \int F_a \psi_\lambda^* \cdot \nabla \delta l^a d^3x) d\lambda < 0$$

$$\text{If } \int F_a \psi_\lambda^* \cdot \nabla \delta l^a d^3x < -\frac{\lambda}{2} c_\lambda \int |\psi_\lambda(x)|^2 d^3x$$

②  $M_{ij}$  is not definite. Then let  $\delta l = 0$   $\delta w^i \neq 0$   
giving indefinite  $\delta^2 A$

Remark :

1. In ① we require the projection of  $F_a \nabla \delta l^a$  onto  $\psi_\lambda(x)$  is negative enough. i.e.  $\delta w \cdot (F_a \nabla \delta l^a)$  is large enough.  $(\delta w \cdot \nabla) \delta l$  is the vortex stretching of distortions in particle labels.
2. For 2D flow, the vortex stretching term is zero.  
We have the Casimir function  $C = \int_D \Phi(\omega) d^2$   
So that we can use the energy-Casimir method to analyze the stability without referring to the canonical variables  $(l, v)$ , directly on  $\Omega^*$