

# Conditional regularity for an elastic shell interacting with the Navier-Stokes equations

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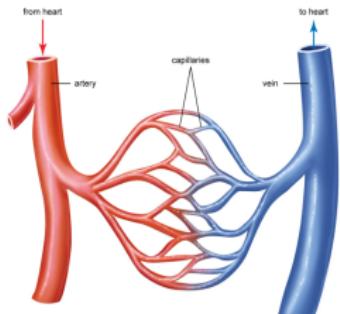
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# 1. Motivation

Examples for fluid-elastic structure interaction (FSI):



- **Modeling of fluid and structure:**

Fluid: incomp./comp.; inviscid/viscous; homoge./inhomoge.;

Structure: elastic; plate/shell; with/without dissipation;

- **Boundary conditions:** periodic/clamped boundary;

- **Fluid-structure coupling:**

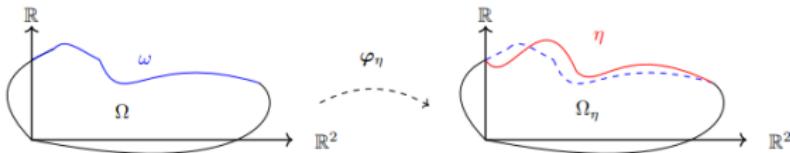
action-reaction principle; balance of forces on the interface.

- **Long-term running:** small deformation; no intersection (contact);

## 2. Problem setting

- Assumptions:

The beam located on the top of the 2D/3D canister is elastic;  
The fluid is **viscous incompressible**;



- The beam deformation  $\eta : (t, \mathbf{y}) \in I \times \omega \mapsto \eta(t, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- The **reference domain**  $\Omega$  and the **deformed domain**  $\Omega_\eta$ .
- $\omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ : The flexible part of the boundary;
- $\varphi_\eta : \omega \rightarrow \partial\Omega_\eta$  that parametrizes the boundary of the reference domain  $\Omega$ .
- The velocity field  $\mathbf{v} : (t, \mathbf{x}) \in I \times \Omega_\eta \mapsto \mathbf{v}(t, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ;
- The pressure function  $\pi : (t, \mathbf{x}) \in I \times \Omega_\eta \mapsto \pi(t, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}$ .

## 2.1 Governing equations

- Navier-Stokes equations for the fluid:

$$\begin{cases} \varrho_f (\partial_t \mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v}) = \mu \Delta \mathbf{v} - \nabla \pi & (t, \mathbf{x}) \in I \times \Omega_\eta, \\ \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0 & (t, \mathbf{x}) \in I \times \Omega_\eta, \\ \mathbf{v}(0, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{v}_0(\mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{x} \in \Omega_{\eta_0}, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- linearly elastic beam equation,  $(t, \mathbf{y}) \in I \times \omega$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \varrho_s \partial_t^2 \eta - \gamma \partial_t \Delta_{\mathbf{y}} \eta + \alpha \Delta_{\mathbf{y}}^2 \eta = \phi(\mathbf{v}, \pi, \eta)(t, \mathbf{y}), \\ \eta(0, \mathbf{y}) = \eta_0(\mathbf{y}), \quad (\partial_t \eta)(0, \mathbf{y}) = \eta_*(\mathbf{y}). \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- Interface coupling (kinematic and dynamic conditions):

$$\mathbf{v} \circ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_\eta = \partial_t \eta \mathbf{n} \quad \text{on } I \times \omega, \quad (3)$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{v}, \pi, \eta)(t, \mathbf{y}) = -\mathbf{n}^\top \boldsymbol{\tau} \circ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_\eta \mathbf{n}_\eta |\det(\nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_\eta)| \quad \text{on } I \times \omega. \quad (4)$$

- No-slip at the fixed part and clamped at  $\partial\omega$ :

$$\mathbf{v} = 0, \quad \text{on } I \times (\partial\Omega \setminus \omega);$$

$$\eta = 0, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \eta = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\omega.$$

## 2.2 Deformation principle

- ▷ For shell: The shell deforms normally

Parameterization  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ ;  $\varphi_\eta : \omega \rightarrow \partial\Omega_\eta$ ;

$$\varphi_\eta(t, \mathbf{y}) = \varphi(\mathbf{y}) + \eta(t, \mathbf{y})\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{y}), \quad \mathbf{y} \in \omega, t \in I.$$

Hanzawa transform  $\Psi_\eta : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega_\eta$  defined by

$$\Psi_\eta(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}) + (s(\mathbf{x}) + \eta(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}))\phi(s(\mathbf{x})))\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x})) & \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, \partial\Omega) < L, \\ \mathbf{x} & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$
$$s(\mathbf{x}) \in S_L := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, \partial\Omega) < L\}.$$

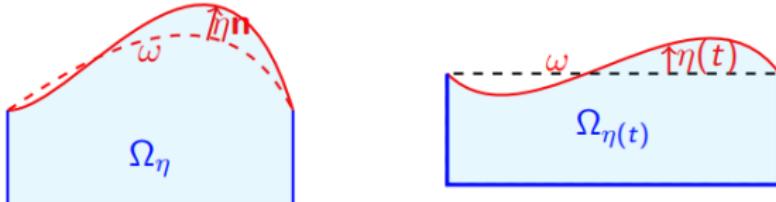
For  $\|\eta\|_{L^\infty} < \alpha < L$ , cutoff  $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $|\phi'| < L/\alpha$ ,  $\Psi_\eta^{-1}$  exists.

- ▷ For plate: The plate deforms vertically

Explicit transform:

$$\chi : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega_\eta$$

$$(x, z) \mapsto (x, (1 + \eta)z).$$



## 2.3 Related work (incompressible)

▷ For plate:

- Grandmont '08: weak solution 3D for elastic plate;
- Lequeurre '11: local strong 2D for damped plate;
- Grandmont, Hillairet '16: global strong 2D for damped plate;
- Grandmont, Hillairet, Lequeurre '19:  
local strong 2D for damped plate and wave case;
- Badra, Takahashi: '19,'21: elastic case and wave with small data;  
'22: elastic with regular data;
- Schwarzacher, Sroczinski '22: Serrin condition for plate;
- Schwarzacher, Su '23: 2D strong for elastic plate with large, less regular data.

▷ For shell:

- Muha, Canic '13: Weak solution for 2D-1D coupling;
- Lengeler, Růžička '14: weak solution 3D;
- Muha, Schwarzacher '22: additional regularity 3D;
- Breit, Mensah, Schwarzacher, Su '23: Serrin condition 3D;

## 2.4 Change of variables

- Transform to the reference domain:  $\bar{\pi} = \pi \circ \Psi_\eta$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{v} \circ \Psi_\eta$

$$\mathbf{B}_{\eta_0} : \nabla \bar{\mathbf{v}} = h_\eta(\bar{\mathbf{v}}),$$

$$\partial_t^2 \eta - \partial_t \Delta_{\mathbf{y}} \eta + \Delta_{\mathbf{y}}^2 \eta = \mathbf{n}^\top [\mathbf{H}_\eta(\bar{\mathbf{v}}, \bar{\pi}) - \mathbf{A}_{\eta_0} \nabla \bar{\mathbf{v}} + \mathbf{B}_{\eta_0} \bar{\pi}] \circ \boldsymbol{\varphi} \mathbf{n},$$

$$J_{\eta_0} \partial_t \bar{\mathbf{v}} - \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{A}_{\eta_0} \nabla \bar{\mathbf{v}}) + \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{B}_{\eta_0} \bar{\pi}) = \mathbf{h}_\eta(\bar{\mathbf{v}}) - \operatorname{div} \mathbf{H}_\eta(\bar{\mathbf{v}}, \bar{\pi})$$

- **Compatibility condition**

Incompressibility, kinematic, no-slip, clamped conditions

$$\implies \int_{\omega} \partial_t \eta d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{beam equation}} \quad \int_{\omega} \phi(\mathbf{v}, \pi, \eta) d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

Initial data:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_0 &= 0, \quad \mathbf{v}_0 = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \setminus \omega, \\ \mathbf{v}_0 \circ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\eta_0} &= \eta_*(\mathbf{y}) \mathbf{n}, \\ \int_{\omega} \eta_*(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} &= 0, \quad \text{no intersection at } t = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

For the strong solution we assume that

$$\eta_0 \in W^{3,2}(\omega), \quad \eta_* \in W^{1,2}(\omega), \quad \mathbf{v}_0 \in W_{\operatorname{div}}^{1,2}(\Omega_{\eta_0}), \tag{6}$$

### 3. Local strong solution

- Linearized system

For given  $(h, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{H})$  such that

$$h \in L^2(I; W^{1,2}(\Omega)) \cap W^{1,2}(I; W^{-1,2}(\Omega)) \cap \{h(0, \mathbf{x}) = 0\},$$

$$\mathbf{h} \in L^2(I \times \Omega), \quad \mathbf{H} \in L^2(I; W^{1,2}(\Omega)),$$

**Proposition 1.** Under the assumption for  $(\eta_0, \eta_*, \bar{\mathbf{v}}_0, h, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{H})$ , there exists a strong solution for linearized FSI system.

- 4.3 Fixed-point argument

$$X_{I_*} := (\zeta, \bar{\mathbf{w}}, \bar{q}) \in$$

$$(W^{1,\infty}(I_*; W^{1,2}(\omega)) \cap L^\infty(I_*; W^{3,2}(\omega)) \cap W^{1,2}(I_*; W^{2,2}(\omega)) \cap W^{2,2}(I_*; L^2(\omega))) \\ \times (L^\infty(I_*; W^{1,2}(\Omega)) \cap W^{1,2}(I_*; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^2(I_*; W^{2,2}(\Omega))) \times L^2(I_*; W^{1,2}(\Omega)),$$

**Theorem 2.** There exists a time  $T > 0$  and  $R > 0$ , s.t. the map  $\mathcal{T}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T} : B_R^{X_{I_*}} &\rightarrow B_R^{X_{I_*}} \\ (\zeta, \bar{\mathbf{w}}, \bar{q}) &\mapsto (\eta, \bar{\mathbf{v}}, \bar{\pi}), \end{aligned}$$

is a contraction map, which thereby possesses a fixed point in  $X_{I_*}$ .

## 4. The acceleration estimate

- Energy estimate

$$\sup_{I^*} \|\mathbf{v}\|_{L_x^2}^2 + \int_{I^*} \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_{L_x^2}^2 dt \lesssim C_0,$$

$$\sup_{I^*} \|\partial_t \eta\|_{L_y^2}^2 + \sup_{I^*} \|\Delta_y \eta\|_{L_y^2}^2 + \int_{I^*} \|\partial_t \nabla_y \eta\|_{L_y^2}^2 dt \lesssim C_0$$

**Proposition 3.** Let  $(\eta_0, \eta_*, \mathbf{v}_0)$  satisfy (5) and (6). Suppose that  $(\eta, \mathbf{v})$  is a strong solution to (1)–(4). For  $r \in [2, \infty)$ ,  $s \in (3, \infty]$

$$\mathbf{v} \in L^r(I; L^s(\Omega_\eta)), \quad \frac{2}{r} + \frac{3}{s} \leqslant 1, \quad \eta \in L^\infty(I; C^{0,1}(\omega)).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{I_*} \int_{\omega} (|\partial_t \nabla_y \eta|^2 + |\nabla_y \Delta_y \eta|^2) dy + \sup_{I_*} \int_{\Omega_\eta} |\nabla \mathbf{v}|^2 dx \\ & + \int_{I_*} \int_{\omega} (|\partial_t \Delta_y \eta|^2 + |\partial_t^2 \eta|^2) dy dt + \int_{I_*} \int_{\Omega_\eta} (|\nabla^2 \mathbf{v}|^2 + |\partial_t \mathbf{v}|^2 + |\nabla \pi|^2) dx dt \\ & \lesssim \int_{\omega} (|\nabla_y \eta_*|^2 + |\nabla_y \Delta_y \eta_0|^2) dy + \int_{\Omega_{\eta_0}} |\nabla \mathbf{v}_0|^2 dx, \end{aligned}$$

## 5. Weak-strong uniqueness

$(\mathbf{v}_1, \eta_1)$ : a weak solution and  $(\mathbf{v}_2, \eta_2)$ : a strong solution.

Transform the strong solution in the weaker domain:

$$\Psi_{\eta_2 - \eta_1} : \Omega_{\eta_1} \rightarrow \Omega_{\eta_2}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{v}}_2 := \mathbf{v}_2 \circ \Psi_{\eta_2 - \eta_1}, \quad \underline{\pi}_2 := \pi_2 \circ \Psi_{\eta_2 - \eta_1}, \quad \underline{\mathbf{f}}_2 := \mathbf{f}_2 \circ \Psi_{\eta_2 - \eta_1},$$

Theorem 4. Suppose further that

$$\eta_1 \in L^\infty(I; C^{0,1}(\omega)).$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{t \in I} \int_{\Omega_{\eta_1(t)}} |\mathbf{v}_1(t) - \underline{\mathbf{v}}_2(t)|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} + \sup_{t \in I} \int_{\omega} (|\partial_t(\eta_1 - \eta_2)(t)|^2 + |\Delta_{\mathbf{y}}(\eta_1 - \eta_2)(t)|^2) \, d\mathbf{y} \\ & + \int_I \int_{\Omega_{\eta_1(\sigma)}} |\nabla(\mathbf{v}_1 - \underline{\mathbf{v}}_2)|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \, dt + \int_I \int_{\omega} |\partial_t \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}(\eta_1 - \eta_2)|^2 \, d\mathbf{y} \, dt \\ & \lesssim \int_{\Omega_{\eta_0,1}} |\mathbf{v}_1(0) - \underline{\mathbf{v}}_2(0)|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\omega} |\partial_t(\eta_1 - \eta_2)(0)|^2 \, d\mathbf{y} + \int_{\omega} |\Delta_{\mathbf{y}}(\eta_1 - \eta_2)(0)|^2 \, d\mathbf{y} \end{aligned}$$

## 5. Weak-strong uniqueness

**Theorem 5.** Let  $T > 0$  be given. Let  $(\mathbf{v}, \eta)$  be a weak solution of (1)–(4). Suppose that we have

$$\mathbf{v} \in L^r(I; L^s(\Omega_\eta)), \quad \frac{2}{r} + \frac{3}{s} \leq 1,$$
$$\eta \in L^\infty(I; C^{0,1}(\omega)).$$

Then  $(\mathbf{v}, \eta)$  is a strong solution on  $I = (0, t)$ , where  $t < T$  only in case  $\Omega_{\eta(s)}$  approaches a self-intersection when  $s \rightarrow t$ . Moreover,  $(\mathbf{v}, \eta)$  is unique in the class of weak solutions with deformation in  $L^\infty(I, C^{0,1}(\omega))$ .

- Local strong on  $(0, T^*)$ ;
- With Lipschitz condition,  $(\mathbf{v}, \eta)$  is a strong solution;
- With Serrin condition together, apply acceleration estimate;
- Go back to the local existence to obtain the solution on  $(T^*, 2T^*), \dots$

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Ladyzhenskaya-Prodi-Serrin condition for fluid-structure interaction systems,  
arXiv: 2307.12273, 2023.

## 6. Discussion and remark

1. Does the dissipation of the shell make difference?
  - Acceleration estimate;
  - Global existence ?
3. Lipschitz condition for  $\eta$ :
  - Stokes estimate; Bogovskij operator;
  - Equivalence through  $\Psi_\eta$  ( $W^{2,2} \hookrightarrow C^{0,1}$  fails).
2. What is the difference between shell and plate?
  - Explicit expression for plate;
  - The regularity issue in the compressible case;
3. The borderline case  $s = 3$  and  $r = \infty$ , i.e.  $\mathbf{v} \in L^\infty(I; L^3(\Omega_\eta))$ ?
  - For Navier-Stokes: ([Masuda '84, Escauriaza et al. '03](#));
  - For fluid-rigid body system by [Maity and Takahashi '23](#);

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**Thanks for your attention !**

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