

As Marco Inversi and Luigi De Rosa pointed out to me, the identity (10) is not rigorously derived in the paper: the problem is that $\nabla(\varphi v)$ is not continuous (it is indeed not even bounded), while the $\lambda_t(dx)$ is a measure which is possibly singular. In particular φv is not an admissible test in the definition of measure-valued solution. In fact if we want to be literal we need $\varphi v \in C_c^\infty$ according to Definition 1 and while it is a simple exercise to show that we can also admit tests which are C_c^1 , we are not allowed to use tests which just L^p , or L^∞ . The way out is to in fact to test with a suitable regularization of v , in particular if we mollify in space and time with a standard kernel and denote by v_ε the mollified vector field, the map φv_ε becomes an admissible test. Observe that we can then write

$$-\iint \chi' \varphi \bar{v} \cdot v \, dx dt = \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} -\iint \chi' \varphi \bar{v} \cdot v_\varepsilon \, dx dt.$$

We can next write

$$\begin{aligned} -\iint \chi' \varphi \bar{v} \cdot v_\varepsilon \, dx dt &= \iint -\partial_t(\chi \varphi v_\varepsilon) \cdot \bar{v} - \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot (\operatorname{div}(v \otimes v)_\varepsilon + \nabla p_\varepsilon) \, dx dt \\ &= \iint \chi \nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon) : \langle \nu, \xi \otimes \xi \rangle - \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \operatorname{div}(v \otimes v)_\varepsilon \, dx dt \\ &\quad + \iint \chi \nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon) : \langle \nu^\infty, \theta \otimes \theta \rangle \lambda_t(dx) dt \\ &\quad - \iint \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \nabla p_\varepsilon \, dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

We next symmetrize all the terms in $\nabla(\varphi v)$ (which leaves the identity invariant because they appear in Hilbert-Schmidt products with symmetric matrices) and achieve

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \iint \chi' \varphi \bar{v} \cdot v_\varepsilon \, dx dt &= \iint \chi [\nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon) + \nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon)^T] : \langle \nu, \xi \otimes \xi \rangle - \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \operatorname{div}(v \otimes v)_\varepsilon \, dx dt \\ &\quad + \iint \chi [\nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon) + \nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon)^T] : \langle \nu^\infty, \theta \otimes \theta \rangle \lambda_t(dx) dt \\ &\quad - \iint \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \nabla p_\varepsilon \, dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

We now let $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ to conclude

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \iint \chi' \varphi \bar{v} \cdot v \, dx dt &= \iint \chi [\nabla(\varphi v) + \nabla(\varphi v)^T] : \langle \nu, \xi \otimes \xi \rangle - \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \operatorname{div}(v \otimes v) \, dx dt \\ &\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \iint \chi [\nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon) + \nabla(\varphi v_\varepsilon)^T] : \langle \nu^\infty, \theta \otimes \theta \rangle \lambda_t(dx) dt \\ &\quad - \iint \chi \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \nabla p \, dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

We now follow the remaining computations of the paper, namely we let $\varphi = \varphi_k$ where $0 \leq \varphi_k \leq 1$, $\varphi_k \equiv 1$ on $B_k(0)$. We just require additionally that $\|\varphi_k\|_{C^0} \leq Ck^{-1}$ and that the support of φ_k is contained in B_{2k} , which can be easily achieved by making the support of the cut-off sufficiently large. In place of equation (13) of

the paper we then achieve

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^T \chi'(t)F(t) dt &= \int_0^T \chi'(t)E(t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \chi' \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |v|^2 dx dt \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \iint \chi(\nabla v + \nabla v^T) : \langle \nu, (\xi - v) \otimes (\xi - v) \rangle dx dt \\
&\quad + \lim_{k \uparrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \iint \underbrace{\chi(\nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon + \nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon)^T) : \langle \nu^\infty, \theta \otimes \theta \rangle \lambda_t(dx) dt}_{=:(I)_{k,\varepsilon}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

We next estimate

$$(I)_{k,\varepsilon} \leq \int_0^T \chi(t) \|\nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon(t)) + \nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon(t))^T\|_\infty F(t) dt.$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon) + \nabla(\varphi_k v_\varepsilon)^T\|_{L_t^1 L_x^\infty} &\leq \|\nabla v_\varepsilon + \nabla v_\varepsilon(t)\|_{L_t^1 L_x^\infty} + \frac{2}{k} \|v_\varepsilon(t)\|_{L_t^1 L_x^\infty} \\
&\leq \|\nabla v(t) + \nabla v(t)^T\|_{L_t^1 L_x^\infty} + \frac{2}{k} \|v(t)\|_{L_t^1 L_x^\infty}
\end{aligned}$$

Next, as already observed in the paper, the bounds on v imply that $\|v(t)\|_\infty \leq C\|\nabla v(t) + \nabla v(t)^T\|_\infty + C\|v(t)\|_{L^2}$, from we conclude that $\|v(t)\|_\infty$ is in fact an L^1 function. In particular we can estimate

$$\lim_{k \uparrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} (I)_{k,\varepsilon} \leq \int_0^T \chi(t) \|\nabla v(t) + \nabla v(t)^T\|_\infty F(t) dt.$$

We have thus justified inequality (14) of the paper, which then yields the desired conclusion.