

# Linear stability of RMHD equations on 2D finite channel

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## Abstract

This is a note about linear stability of RMHD equations on 2D finite channel.

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## 1 Introduction

$\Omega = [0, 1] \times \mathbb{T}$ ,  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ . The equilibrium is  $V_s = 0$ ,  $B_s = (0, b(x))$ ,  $P_s = 0$ , total magnetic field is  $\tilde{B} = B_s + B$ , where  $B$  is the perturbation. We assume that  $b$  is monotone positive. Total velocity field is  $V_s + v = v$ , total pressure is  $P_s + p = p$ , and they are the same as the perturbations  $v, p$ , then the original RMHD system has the following form:

$$\partial_t v + v \cdot \nabla v + \nabla p = \tilde{B} \cdot \nabla \tilde{B}, \quad (1)$$

$$\partial_t \tilde{B} - \eta \Delta \tilde{B} + v \cdot \nabla \tilde{B} = \tilde{B} \cdot \nabla v, \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \cdot v = \nabla \cdot \tilde{B} = 0, \quad (3)$$

Nonlinear equations for the perturbations are

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t v_x &= -\partial_x p - (v_x \partial_x + v_y \partial_y) v_x + (B_x \partial_x + (b + B_y) \partial_y) B_x, \\ \partial_t v_y &= -\partial_y p - (v_x \partial_x + v_y \partial_y) v_y + B_x \partial_x (b + B_y) + (b + B_y) \partial_y B_y, \\ \partial_t B_x &= (B_x \partial_x + (b + B_y) \partial_y) v_x - (v_x \partial_x + v_y \partial_y) B_x + \eta \Delta B_x, \\ \partial_t B_y &= (B_x \partial_x + (b + B_y) \partial_y) v_y - v_x \partial_x (b + B_y) - v_y \partial_y B_y + \eta \Delta B_y, \\ \nabla \cdot v &= \nabla \cdot B = 0, \end{aligned}$$

Linearized equations for the perturbations are:

$$\partial_t v_x = -\partial_x p + b \partial_y B_x, \quad (4)$$

$$\partial_t v_y = -\partial_y p + b \partial_y B_y + b' B_x, \quad (5)$$

$$\partial_t B_x = b \partial_y v_x + \eta \Delta B_x, \quad (6)$$

$$\partial_t B_y = b \partial_y v_y - b' v_x + \eta \Delta B_y, \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla \cdot v = \nabla \cdot B = 0, \quad (8)$$

with Navier slip boundary conditions

$$v_x|_{x=0,1} = B_x|_{x=0,1} = 0,$$

Taking Fourier transform in  $y$ , we get for  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,

$$\partial_t \widehat{v}_x = -\partial_x \widehat{p} + i\alpha b \widehat{B}_x, \quad (9)$$

$$\partial_t \widehat{v}_y = -i\alpha \widehat{p} + i\alpha b \widehat{B}_y + b' \widehat{B}_x, \quad (10)$$

$$\partial_t \widehat{B}_x = i\alpha b \widehat{v}_x + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \widehat{B}_x, \quad (11)$$

$$\partial_t \widehat{B}_y = i\alpha b \widehat{v}_y - b' \widehat{v}_x + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \widehat{B}_y, \quad (12)$$

$$\partial_x \widehat{v}_x + i\alpha \widehat{v}_y = 0, \quad \partial_x \widehat{B}_x + i\alpha \widehat{B}_y = 0, \quad (13)$$

Eliminating  $\widehat{p}, \widehat{v}_y, \widehat{B}_y$  from [equation 10](#) gives

$$\partial_t \partial_x \widehat{v}_x = \partial_t (-i\alpha \widehat{v}_y) = -\alpha^2 \widehat{p} + i\alpha b \partial_x \widehat{B}_x - i\alpha b' \widehat{B}_x,$$

$$\partial_t \partial_x^2 \widehat{v}_x = -\alpha^2 \partial_x \widehat{p} + i\alpha \partial_x (b \partial_x \widehat{B}_x) - i\alpha \partial_x (b' \widehat{B}_x), \quad \partial_x \widehat{p} = -\partial_t \widehat{v}_x + i\alpha b \widehat{B}_x,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \partial_x^2 \widehat{v}_x &= -\alpha^2 (-\partial_t \widehat{v}_x + i\alpha b \widehat{B}_x) + i\alpha \partial_x (b \partial_x \widehat{B}_x) - i\alpha \partial_x (b' \widehat{B}_x) \\ &= -\alpha^2 (-\partial_t \widehat{v}_x + i\alpha b \widehat{B}_x) + i\alpha (b \partial_x^2 \widehat{B}_x - b'' \widehat{B}_x), \end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \widehat{v}_x = \alpha b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) i \widehat{B}_x - \alpha b'' i \widehat{B}_x, \quad \partial_t i \widehat{B}_x = -\alpha b \widehat{v}_x + \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) i \widehat{B}_x,$$

Let  $\xi = \widehat{v}_x, \psi = i \widehat{B}_x$ , we have

$$\partial_t \xi = \alpha (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1} (b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \psi - b'' \psi), \quad \partial_t \psi = -\alpha b \xi + \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \psi,$$

Denote  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha$  the linear operator of the above equations, and consider the eigenvalue problem of operator  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha$ . If  $c \in \sigma_p(\mathcal{L}_\alpha)$  with associated eigenfunctions  $\xi, \psi$ , then

$$c\xi = \alpha (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1} (b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \psi - b'' \psi), \quad c\psi = -\alpha b \xi + \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \psi,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha b \xi &= -(c - \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)) \psi, \quad c (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) \xi = \alpha (b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) - b'') \psi, \\ -c (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) b^{-1} (c - \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)) \psi &= \alpha^2 (b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) - b'') \psi, \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\psi = bg$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} b^{-1} (c - \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)) bg &= cg - c\eta b^{-1} (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) bg, \\ \alpha^2 (b (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) - b'') bg &= \alpha^2 (b^2 (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) + 2bb' \partial_x) g, \end{aligned}$$

Summing up the above two equations, we get the Orr-Sommerfeld type equation for linearized RMHD system on a 2-dimensional finite channel:

$$(c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2) (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) g + 2\alpha^2 b b' \partial_x g - c\eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) b^{-1} (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2) bg = 0,$$

Boundary conditions are

$$\psi|_{x=0,1} = 0, \quad \xi|_{x=0,1} = 0, \quad (c - \eta (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)) \psi|_{x=0,1} = 0,$$

$$g|_{x=0,1} = 0, \quad \partial_x^2 (bg)|_{x=0,1} = b \partial_x^2 g + 2b' \partial_x g|_{x=0,1} = 0,$$

Let us denote by  $OS_\alpha$  the Orr-Sommerfeld type fourth-order operator

$$OS_\alpha(g) \triangleq (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g + 2\alpha^2 b b' \partial_x g - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)bg,$$

Following [11], we study the resolvent estimates of the linearized operator under the Navier-slip boundary conditions. More precisely, we consider the equation

$$OS_\alpha(g) = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g + 2\alpha^2 b b' \partial_x g - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)bg = F,$$

$$g|_{x=0,1} = 0, \quad b\partial_x^2 g + 2b'\partial_x g|_{x=0,1} = 0,$$

Substitute  $h = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)bg = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi$ , we have

$$h|_{x=0,1} = 0, \quad g = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh,$$

$$OS_\alpha(g) = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + 2\alpha^2 b b' \partial_x b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h,$$

We investigate the case of exponential background magnetic profile  $b(x) = e^{\lambda x}$  for convenience. The Sobolev space we concern is

$$H_0^1([0, 1]) = \{u : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \|u\|_{H^1} < +\infty, u(0) = u(1) = 0\}, \quad \|u\|_{H^1}^2 = \int_0^1 \partial_x u \overline{\partial_x u} dx,$$

A set of orthonormal basis of  $H_0^1([0, 1])$  is  $\{e_k = \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin k\pi x}{k\pi}, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ , and they are all the eigenfunctions of operator  $\partial_x^2$ , with eigenvalues  $\partial_x^2 e_k = -k^2 \pi^2 e_k$ . Under the exponential background magnetic profile, we have

$$(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh = h + 2(b^{-1})'\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + (b^{-1})''(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh,$$

$$\partial_x g = \partial_x b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh = (b^{-1})'(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + b^{-1}\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh,$$

The Orr-Sommerfeld type equation in terms of  $h$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} F \triangleq OS_\alpha(g) &= (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(h + 2(b^{-1})'\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + (b^{-1})''(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh) \\ &\quad + 2\alpha^2 b b'((b^{-1})'(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + b^{-1}\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh) - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h, \end{aligned}$$

$$F = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(h - 2\lambda b^{-1}\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + \lambda^2 b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh) + 2\alpha^2 \lambda b(\partial_x - \lambda)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h,$$

$$\begin{aligned} F &= c^2(h - 2\lambda b^{-1}\partial_x(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh + \lambda^2 b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh) + \alpha^2 b^2 h - \lambda^2 \alpha^2 b(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h \\ &= c^2(h + \lambda b^{-1}(\lambda - 2\partial_x)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh) + \alpha^2 b^2 h - \lambda^2 \alpha^2 b(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h, \end{aligned}$$

While taking inner product with  $h$ , the first and the third term in the right hand side above is nontrivial. We give a closer look at the first term below:

$$(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g = h + \lambda b^{-1}(\lambda - 2\partial_x)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g, h \rangle &= \int_0^1 b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)b\bar{g} = \int_0^1 b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g(b(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\bar{g} + \lambda^2 b\bar{g} + 2\lambda b\partial_x \bar{g}) \\ &= \|(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g\|_2^2 + \lambda^2 \int_0^1 (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g\bar{g} + 2\lambda \int_0^1 (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g \cdot \partial_x \bar{g} \\ &= \|(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g\|_2^2 - \lambda^2 \|g'\|_2^2 - \alpha^2 \lambda^2 \|g\|_2^2 + 2\lambda(\langle g'', g' \rangle - \alpha^2 \langle g, g' \rangle), \\ &\quad \|(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g\|_2^2 = \|g''\|_2^2 + \alpha^4 \|g\|_2^2 + 2\alpha^2 \|g'\|_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

The third term is dealt with as follows:

$$b(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh = b\psi, \quad h = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi,$$

$$\langle b\psi, h \rangle = \int_0^1 \psi(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\bar{\psi}dx = -\|\psi'\|_2^2 - \alpha^2\|\psi\|_2^2,$$

Combining the equations above together, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F, ch \rangle &= \langle c^2(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g, ch \rangle + \bar{c}\alpha^2\|bh\|_2^2 - \bar{c}\lambda^2\alpha^2\langle b\psi, h \rangle - |c|^2\eta\langle(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h, h \rangle \\ &= |c|^2c(\|(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g\|_2^2 - \lambda^2\|g'\|_2^2 - \alpha^2\lambda^2\|g\|_2^2 + 2\lambda(\langle g'', g' \rangle - \alpha^2\langle g, g' \rangle)) \\ &\quad + \bar{c}(\alpha^2\|bh\|_2^2 + \lambda^2\alpha^2\|\psi'\|_2^2 + \lambda^2\alpha^4\|\psi\|_2^2) + |c|^2(\eta\|h'\|_2^2 + \eta\alpha^2\|h\|_2^2) \\ &= |c|^2c(\|g''\|_2^2 + (2\alpha^2 - \lambda^2)\|g'\|_2^2 + \alpha^2(\alpha^2 - \lambda^2)\|g\|_2^2 + 2\lambda(\langle g'', g' \rangle - \alpha^2\langle g, g' \rangle)) \\ &\quad + \bar{c}(\alpha^2\|bh\|_2^2 + \lambda^2\alpha^2\|\psi'\|_2^2 + \lambda^2\alpha^4\|\psi\|_2^2) + |c|^2(\eta\|h'\|_2^2 + \eta\alpha^2\|h\|_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

We see that when  $\Re(c) > 0$ ,  $-1 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , the real part of the right hand side of the above equation is strictly positive for non-zero  $h$ .

$$\|bh\|_2^2 = \|(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi\|_2^2 = \|\psi''\|^2 + 2\alpha^2\|\psi'\|_2^2 + \alpha^4\|\psi\|_2^2,$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \{(\psi, \xi), \psi, \xi \in H_0^1([0, 1])\}, \quad \|(\psi, \xi)\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = \int_0^1 \partial_x \psi \overline{\partial_x \psi} + \partial_x \xi \overline{\partial_x \xi},$$

$$\partial_t \xi = \alpha(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}(b(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi - b''\psi) = \alpha(b\psi + K_1\psi),$$

where  $K_1$  is a compact operator defined by

$$K_1\psi = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}(-2b'\partial_x\psi - 2b''\psi) = -2(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(b'\psi),$$

and we have  $\overline{K_1\psi} = K_1\bar{\psi}$ . Notice that  $v_x, B_x \in \mathbb{R}, \xi = \widehat{v}_x, \psi = i\widehat{B}_x$  only implies that  $\widehat{v}_x(\alpha) = \overline{\widehat{v}_x(-\alpha)}, \widehat{B}_x(\alpha) = \widehat{B}_x(-\alpha)$ ,  $\xi, \psi$  are complex-valued functions.

$$\int_0^1 \partial_t \xi \bar{\xi} = \int_0^1 \alpha(b\psi + K_1\psi)\bar{\xi}, \quad \int_0^1 \partial_t \psi \bar{\psi} = \int_0^1 (-\alpha b\xi + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi)\bar{\psi},$$

$$\partial_t(\|\psi\|_2^2 + \|\xi\|_2^2) = \int_0^1 \alpha(K_1\psi\bar{\xi} + \xi K_1\bar{\psi}) + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi\bar{\psi} + \psi\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\bar{\psi},$$

When  $b(x) = e^{\lambda x}$ , we have  $K_1\psi = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}(-2\lambda b\partial_x\psi - 2\lambda^2 b\psi) = -2\lambda(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(b\psi)$ .

$$\partial_t \psi = -\alpha b\xi + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi = -\alpha b(\xi(0) + \int_0^t \alpha(b\psi(t') + K\psi(t'))dt') + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\psi,$$

$$\partial_t^2 \psi = -\alpha^2 b(b\psi + K_1\psi) + \eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)\partial_t \psi,$$

Substitute  $\psi = bg$  and let  $\eta = 0, B = b^2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t^2(bg) &= -\alpha^2 b(b^2g + Kbg), \quad K_1bg = -2(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(b'bg) = -(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(B'g), \\ \partial_t^2 g + \alpha^2(b^2g + K_1bg) &= \partial_t^2 g + \alpha^2(Bg - (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(B'g)) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

the above calculation is the same as equation (2.5) in [10]. We define

$$Kg = K_1bg = -(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}\partial_x(B'g),$$

**Proposition 1** (Energy conservation on each frequency).

## 2 Spectral method

**Theorem 1.** Reference: Lecture notes on functional analysis II by Gongqing Zhang, p53 problem 5.5.10.  $\mathcal{H}$  is a Hilbert space,  $N$  is a normal operator on  $\mathcal{H}$  and its spectrum  $\sigma(N)$  is countable, then  $\mathcal{H}$  has a orthonormal basis  $B = \{y\}$  where  $y$  are eigenfunctions of  $N$ , and the Fourier expansion holds:

$$x = \sum_{y \in B} (x, y)y, \quad x \in \mathcal{H},$$

the Fourier coefficients  $(x, y)$  only have countably many nonzero elements.

*Proof.* 1) Eigenspaces of different eigenvalues are orthogonal. If  $f_1, f_2$  are two eigenfunctions of  $N$  with different eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ . When  $N$  is self-adjoint, we have  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\lambda_1 \langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \langle N f_1, f_2 \rangle = \langle f_1, N f_2 \rangle = \lambda_2 \langle f_1, f_2 \rangle,$$

Since  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ ,  $\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = 0$ . □

**Problem 1.** Eigenfunctions of  $\partial_x^2$  on  $H_0^1([0, 1])$ .

$$\partial_x^2 f = \lambda f, \quad -\xi^2 \hat{f} = \lambda \hat{f}, \quad \lambda = -\xi^2, \quad \text{supp } \hat{f} = \{\pm \xi\}, \quad f(x) = \hat{f}(\xi)e^{i\xi x} + \hat{f}(-\xi)e^{-i\xi x},$$

Boundary conditions are

$$f(0) = \hat{f}(\xi) + \hat{f}(-\xi) = 0, \quad f(1) = \hat{f}(\xi)e^{i\xi} + \hat{f}(-\xi)e^{-i\xi} = 0,$$

So we have  $e^{i\xi} = e^{-i\xi}$ ,  $\xi = k\pi$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\lambda = -k^2\pi^2$ ,  $f = C \sin k\pi x$ .

Consider the case when  $b(x)$  is a positive constant. We have

$$OS_\alpha(g) = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^2 g, \quad g|_{x=0,1} = g'|_{x=0,1} = 0,$$

Let  $h = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)g$ , we claim that when  $\Re(c) > 0$ ,  $f \in H_0^1([0, 1])$ , the solution to  $OS_\alpha(g) = f$  uniquely exists. We have

$$\mathcal{L}_\alpha h \triangleq OS_\alpha(g) = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)h - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h = f,$$

Assume that  $f = \sum_k (f, e_k)e_k$ , then  $(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)e_k = -(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)e_k$ ,

$$(f, e_k) = (h, e_k)(c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 + c\eta(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)), \quad (h, e_k) = \frac{(f, e_k)}{c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 + c\eta(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)},$$

$$(g, e_k) = -\frac{(h, e_k)}{(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)} = -\frac{(f, e_k)}{(c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 + c\eta(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2))(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)},$$

**Problem 2.** Eigenvalue problem: when  $b$  is constant, for what values of  $c$  is  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha$  not injective?

$$\mathcal{L}_\alpha h = (c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2)h - c\eta(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)h = 0,$$

When  $\eta = 0$ , eigenvalues are  $c = \pm i\alpha b$ , and their invariant space is the whole  $H_0^1([0, 1])$ . When  $\eta > 0$ , 1)  $c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 = 0$ , then  $c \neq 0$ , since  $\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2$  is injective, we have  $h = 0$ .

2)  $c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 \neq 0$ , take Fourier transform  $h = \sum_k \hat{h}_k e_k$ , we have

$$(c^2 + \alpha^2 b^2 + c\eta\alpha^2 + c\eta k^2\pi^2)\hat{h}_k = 0, \quad k \neq 0,$$

For small  $k$ ,  $\eta\alpha^2 + \eta k^2\pi^2 \leq 2|\alpha|b$ , the roots are two conjugate complex numbers with negative real parts and norm  $\alpha b$ . For large  $k$ ,  $\eta\alpha^2 + \eta k^2\pi^2 > 2|\alpha|b$ , the two real roots are

$$c_{1,2} = -\frac{\eta\alpha^2 + \eta k^2\pi^2 \pm \sqrt{(\eta\alpha^2 + \eta k^2\pi^2)^2 - 4\alpha^2 b^2}}{2},$$

$$A = \int_0^1 e^{\lambda x} \sin k\pi x dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda} k\pi \cos k\pi x dx = \frac{k\pi}{\lambda^2} - (-1)^k e^{\lambda} \frac{k\pi}{\lambda^2} - \int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda^2} k^2 \pi^2 \sin k\pi x dx,$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda^2} k^2 \pi^2 \sin k\pi x dx = \frac{k^2 \pi^2}{\lambda^2} A, \quad A = \frac{(1 - (-1)^k e^{\lambda}) k\pi}{\lambda^2 + k^2 \pi^2},$$

$$B = \int_0^1 e^{\lambda x} \cos m\pi x dx = (-1)^m \frac{e^{\lambda}}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} + \int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda} m\pi \sin m\pi x dx,$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda} m\pi \sin m\pi x dx = - \int_0^1 \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\lambda^2} m^2 \pi^2 \sin m\pi x dx = - \frac{m^2 \pi^2}{\lambda^2} B, \quad B = \frac{((-1)^m e^{\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{\lambda^2 + m^2 \pi^2},$$

When  $\lambda < 0$ , we may also use complex analysis techniques to calculate the above integrals:

$$\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\lambda x} \sin k\pi x dx = \Im \int_0^{+\infty} e^{(\lambda + ik\pi)x} dx = \Im \frac{1}{-\lambda - ik\pi} = \frac{k\pi}{\lambda^2 + k^2 \pi^2},$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\lambda x} \sin k\pi x dx = A(1 + (-1)^k e^{\lambda} + (-1)^{2k} e^{2\lambda} + \dots) = \frac{A}{1 - (-1)^k e^{\lambda}}, \quad A = \frac{(1 - (-1)^k e^{\lambda}) k\pi}{\lambda^2 + k^2 \pi^2},$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\lambda x} \cos m\pi x dx = \Re \int_0^{+\infty} e^{(\lambda + im\pi)x} dx = \Re \frac{1}{-\lambda - im\pi} = \frac{-\lambda}{\lambda^2 + m^2 \pi^2},$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\lambda x} \cos m\pi x dx = B(1 + (-1)^m e^{\lambda} + (-1)^{2m} e^{2\lambda} + \dots) = \frac{B}{1 - (-1)^m e^{\lambda}}, \quad B = \frac{((-1)^m e^{\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{\lambda^2 + m^2 \pi^2},$$

I try to express the relationship of  $h$  and  $g = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh$  on the frequency domain. Recall that  $e_k = \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin k\pi x}{k\pi}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,

$$g = \sum_k \hat{g}_k e_k, \quad \hat{g}_k = \langle g, e_k \rangle = \int_0^1 \partial_x g \overline{\partial_x e_k} dx,$$

$$h = \sum_k \hat{h}_k e_k, \quad \hat{h}_k = \langle h, e_k \rangle = \int_0^1 \partial_x h \overline{\partial_x e_k} dx,$$

$$(\widehat{bg})_k = \langle bg, e_k \rangle = \int_0^1 \partial_x (bg) \overline{\partial_x e_k} = - \int_0^1 bg \overline{\partial_x^2 e_k} = \int_0^1 bg k^2 \pi^2 \overline{e_k}$$

$$= \int_0^1 b \left( \sum_l \hat{g}_l e_l \right) k^2 \pi^2 \overline{e_k} = \sum_l \hat{g}_l \int_0^1 b k^2 \pi^2 e_l \overline{e_k},$$

$$e_l \overline{e_k} = \frac{2 \sin l\pi x \sin k\pi x}{lk\pi^2} = \frac{\cos(l-k)\pi x - \cos(l+k)\pi x}{lk\pi^2},$$

$$\int_0^1 b k^2 \pi^2 e_l \overline{e_k} = \int_0^1 b \frac{k}{l} (\cos(l-k)\pi x - \cos(l+k)\pi x),$$

$$\int_0^1 b \frac{k}{l} \cos(l-k)\pi x = \frac{k}{l} \int_0^1 e^{\lambda x} \cos(l-k)\pi x dx = \frac{k}{l} \frac{((-1)^{l-k} e^{\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{\lambda^2 + (l-k)^2 \pi^2} = B_1,$$

$$\int_0^1 b \frac{k}{l} \cos(l+k)\pi x = \frac{k}{l} \frac{((-1)^{l+k} e^{\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{\lambda^2 + (l+k)^2 \pi^2} = B_2,$$

$$B_1 - B_2 = \frac{k}{l}((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)\lambda\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2 + (l-k)^2\pi^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2 + (l+k)^2\pi^2}\right) = \frac{4k^2\pi^2((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)\lambda}{(\lambda^2 + (l^2 + k^2)\pi^2)^2 - 4l^2k^2\pi^4},$$

$$(\widehat{bg})_k = \sum_l \widehat{g}l \frac{4k^2\pi^2((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)\lambda}{(\lambda^2 + (l^2 + k^2)\pi^2)^2 - 4l^2k^2\pi^4},$$

If  $u, v \in H_0^1([0, 1])$ ,  $u = \sum_k \widehat{u}_k e_k$ ,  $v = \sum_k \widehat{v}_k e_k$  satisfy  $v = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)u$ , then their Fourier coefficients satisfy

$$\widehat{v}_k = -(k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2)\widehat{u}_k, \quad \widehat{u}_k = -\frac{\widehat{v}_k}{k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2},$$

Since  $b^{-1}(x) = e^{-\lambda x}$ , the action of multiplier  $b^{-1}$  on the Fourier side is given by

$$(\widehat{b^{-1}g})_k = \sum_l \widehat{g}l \frac{4k^2\pi^2((-1)^{l-k}e^{-\lambda} - 1)(-\lambda)}{(\lambda^2 + (l^2 + k^2)\pi^2)^2 - 4l^2k^2\pi^4},$$

We may denote

$$K_\lambda(k, l) = \frac{4k^2\pi^2}{(\lambda^2 + (l^2 + k^2)\pi^2)^2 - 4l^2k^2\pi^4},$$

Consider representing the Fourier coefficients of  $h$  in terms of Fourier coefficients of  $g$ , where  $g = b^{-1}(\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}bh$ , we have

$$v = bh, \quad \psi = (\partial_x^2 - \alpha^2)^{-1}v, \quad g = b^{-1}\psi,$$

$$\widehat{v}_k = \sum_l \widehat{h}_l((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)\lambda K_\lambda(k, l), \quad \widehat{\psi}_k = -\frac{\widehat{v}_k}{k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{g}_m &= \sum_k \widehat{\psi}_k((-1)^{l-k}e^{-\lambda} - 1)(-\lambda)K_\lambda(m, k) = \sum_k \widehat{v}_k \frac{((-1)^{l-k}e^{-\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2} K_\lambda(m, k) \\ &= \sum_{k, l} \frac{((-1)^{k-m}e^{-\lambda} - 1)\lambda}{k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2} K_\lambda(m, k)((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)\lambda K_\lambda(k, l)\widehat{h}_l \\ &= \sum_l \widehat{h}_l \sum_k \frac{\lambda^2((-1)^{k-m}e^{-\lambda} - 1)((-1)^{l-k}e^\lambda - 1)}{k^2\pi^2 + \alpha^2} K_\lambda(m, k)K_\lambda(k, l) \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Energy conservation of nonlinear RVMHD

Suppose  $u$  and  $b$  are the velocity field and magnetic field,  $p$  is the total pressure, we consider the original nonlinear RVMHD equations:

$$\partial_t(\|u\|_2^2 + \|b\|_2^2) = \partial_t \int_\Omega u \cdot u + b \cdot b = 2 \int_\Omega u \cdot (-\nabla p - u \cdot \nabla u + b \cdot \nabla b + \mu \Delta u) + b \cdot (b \cdot \nabla u - u \cdot \nabla b + \eta \Delta b),$$

$$\int_\Omega u \cdot \nabla p = \int_\Omega u \cdot \nabla p + p \nabla \cdot u = \int_\Omega \nabla \cdot (pu) = 0,$$

$$u \cdot (u \cdot \nabla u) = u \cdot \nabla \frac{|u|^2}{2}, \quad \nabla \cdot (|u|^2 u) = u \cdot \nabla |u|^2 + |u|^2 \nabla \cdot u,$$

$$\nabla \cdot (|b|^2 u) = u \cdot \nabla |b|^2 + |b|^2 \nabla \cdot u, \quad b \cdot (u \cdot \nabla) b = u \cdot \nabla \frac{|b|^2}{2},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Omega} u \cdot (u \cdot \nabla u) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (|u|^2 u) = 0, & \int_{\Omega} b \cdot (u \cdot \nabla b) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (|b|^2 u) = 0, \\
\nabla \cdot ((u \cdot b)b) &= (b \cdot \nabla)(u \cdot b) + (u \cdot b)(\nabla \cdot b), & (b \cdot \nabla)(u \cdot b) &= u \cdot (b \cdot \nabla)b + b \cdot (b \cdot \nabla)u, \\
\int_{\Omega} u \cdot (b \cdot \nabla)b + b \cdot (b \cdot \nabla)u &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot ((u \cdot b)b) = 0, \\
\int_{\Omega} u \cdot \Delta u &= - \int_{\Omega} \nabla u_x \cdot \nabla u_x + \nabla u_y \cdot \nabla u_y + \nabla u_z \cdot \nabla u_z = - \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2, & \int_{\Omega} b \cdot \Delta b &= - \int_{\Omega} |\nabla b|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

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