REGULARITY CRITERION OF THE 4D NAVIER-STOKES EQUATIONS INVOLVING TWO VELOCITY FIELD COMPONENTS

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Abstract. We study the Serrin-type regularity criteria for the solutions to the four-dimensional Navier-Stokes equations and magnetohydrodynamics system. We show that the sufficient condition for the solution to the four-dimensional Navier-Stokes equations to preserve its initial regularity for all time may be reduced from a bound on the four-dimensional velocity vector field to any two of its four components, from a bound on the gradient of the velocity vector field to the gradient of any two of its four components, from a gradient of the pressure scalar field to any two of its partial derivatives. Results are further generalized to the magnetohydrodynamics system. These results may be seen as a four-dimensional extension of many analogous results that exist in the three-dimensional case and also component reduction results of many classical results.

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1. Introduction

We study the $N$-dimensional ($N \geq 2$) Navier-Stokes equations (NSE) and magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) system defined respectively as follows:

\begin{align}
\frac{du}{dt} + (u \cdot \nabla)u + \nabla \pi &= \nu \Delta u, \\
\nabla \cdot u &= 0, \quad u(x, 0) = u_0(x),
\end{align}

\begin{align}
\frac{du}{dt} + (u \cdot \nabla)u + \nabla \pi &= \nu \Delta u + (b \cdot \nabla)b, \\
\frac{db}{dt} + (u \cdot \nabla)b &= \eta \Delta b + (b \cdot \nabla)u, \\
\nabla \cdot u &= \nabla \cdot b = 0, \quad (u, b)(x, 0) = (u_0, b_0)(x),
\end{align}

where $u = (u_1, \ldots, u_N) : \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}^N$, $b = (b_1, \ldots, b_N) : \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}^N$, $\nu : \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ represent the velocity vector field, magnetic vector field and pressure scalar field respectively. We denote by the parameters $\nu, \eta \geq 0$ the viscosity and magnetic diffusivity respectively. Hereafter, we also denote $\frac{d}{dt}$ by $\partial_t$ and $\frac{d}{dx}$ by

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\[ \frac{\partial_i, i = 1, \ldots, N}{\nabla_{i,j}} \text{ the gradient vector field with } \partial_i, \partial_j \text{ on the } i\text{-th, } j\text{-th component respectively and zero elsewhere and } \Delta_{i,j} \text{ the sum of second derivatives in the } i\text{-th and } j\text{-th directions, e.g. } \nabla_{1,2} = (\partial_1, \partial_2, 0, \ldots, 0), \Delta_{1,2} = \sum_{k=1}^2 \partial_{kk}^2. \]

The importance and difficulty of the global regularity issue of the solution to these two systems are well known. In short, this is because the systems are both energy-supercritical in any dimension bigger than two even with \( \nu, \eta > 0 \). Indeed, it can be shown e.g. that if \((u, b)(x, t)\) solves the system (2a)-(2c), then so does \((u_\lambda, b_\lambda)(x, t)\) \(\lambda(u, b)(\lambda x, \lambda^2 t)\) while \(\|u_\lambda(x, t)\|^2_{L^2} + \|b_\lambda(x, t)\|^2_{L^2} = \lambda^{2-N}(\|u(x, \lambda^2 t)\|^2_{L^2} + \|b(x, \lambda^2 t)\|^2_{L^2}). \) Thus, it is standard to classify the two-dimensional NSE and the MHD system as energy-critical while for any dimension higher, energy-supercritical; in fact, it can be considered that the super-criticality increases in dimension.

In two-dimensional case with \( \nu, \eta > 0 \), the authors in [21, 25] have shown the uniqueness of the solution to the NSE and the MHD system respectively. In fact, in the two-dimensional case due to the simplicity of the form after taking curls, when the dissipative and diffusive terms are replaced by fractional Laplacians, their powers may be reduced furthermore below one; we refer interested readers to [32] for the NSE with \( \nu = 0 \), [6] and references found therein for the MHD system). In any dimension strictly higher than two, the problem concerning the global regularity of the strong solution and the uniqueness of the weak solution to both systems remain open and hence much effort has been devoted to provide criterion so that they hold. We now review some of them, emphasizing on those of most relevance to the current manuscript.

Initiated by the author in [26] it has been established that if a weak solution \( u \) of the NSE with \( \nu > 0 \) satisfies

\[ u \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)), \quad \frac{N}{p} + \frac{2}{r} \leq 1, \quad p \in (N, \infty], \tag{3} \]

then \( u \) is smooth (see [8, 10] for the endpoint case). In [2], the author showed that if \( u \) solves the NSE (1a)-(1b) with \( \nu > 0 \) and

\[ \nabla u \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)), \quad N \geq 3, \quad \frac{N}{p} + \frac{2}{r} = 2, \quad 1 < r \leq \min\{2, \frac{N}{N-2}\}, \tag{4} \]

then \( u \) is a regular solution. For the MHD system, the authors in [14, 35] independently showed that the sufficient condition for the regularity of the solution pair \((u, b)\) to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) may be reduced to just \( u \). For many more important results in this direction of research, all of which we cannot list here, we refer to the prominent work of [1, 13] and references found therein. We do mention that the author in [36] showed that only in case \( N = 3, 4 \), \( u \), the solution to the NSE (1a)-(1b) with \( \nu > 0 \), is regular and unique if

\[ \nabla \pi \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)), \quad \frac{N}{p} + \frac{2}{r} \leq 3, \quad \frac{N}{3} \leq p \leq \infty. \tag{5} \]

We now survey some component reduction results of such criterion. The authors in [19] showed that if \( u \) solves the NSE with \( N = 3, \nu > 0 \) and
\( u_3 \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)), \quad \frac{3}{p} + \frac{2}{r} \leq \frac{5}{8}, \quad r \in \left[\frac{54}{23}, \frac{18}{5}\right], \) (6)

or \( \nabla u_3 \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)), \quad \frac{3}{p} + \frac{2}{r} \leq \frac{11}{6}, \quad r \in \left[\frac{24}{5}, \infty\right], \) (6)

then the solution is regular (see also [3, 37] for similar results on \( u_3, \nabla u_3 \)). For the MHD system, in particular the authors in [16] showed that if \( u \) solves (2a)-(2c) with \( N = 3, \nu, \eta > 0 \) and

\( u_3, b \in L^r(0, T; L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)), \quad \frac{3}{p} + \frac{2}{r} \leq \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2p}, \quad p > \frac{10}{3}, \) (7)

then the solution pair \( (u, b) \) remains smooth for all time. In [28], the author reduced this constraint on \( u_3, b \) to \( u_3, b_1, b_2 \) in special cases making use of the special structure of (2b). For more interesting component reduction results of the regularity criterion, we refer to e.g. [4, 5, 11, 15, 20, 23, 27, 29, 34]. In relevance to our discussion below, we already emphasize however that every component reduction result listed here is of the case \( N = 3 \).

We now motivate our results specifically. It has been realized by many mathematicians working in the research direction of the NSE that the dimension four is critical and deserves special attention (see e.g. Section 4 [17]). The criticality of the fourth dimension for the NSE (and six-dimensional stationary NSE) has motivated much investigation in the research direction of partial regularity theory (see e.g. [7, 9, 24]); we also recall (5) which holds only for \( N = 3, 4 \). In fact, fourth dimension being critical to the component reduction regularity criteria can be seen clearly. To the best of the author’s knowledge, all such component reduction results to the systems (1a)-(1b) and (2a)-(2c) are obtained through an \( H^1 \)-estimate (for more details see Remark 1.1 (1)). Due to Lemma 2.3, higher regularity follows once we show that the solution e.g. \( u \) in the case of the NSE (1a)-(1b) satisfies

\[ \int_0^T \|\nabla u\|^2_{L^N(\mathbb{R}^N)} d\tau < \infty. \]

This implies that because \( H^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \hookrightarrow L^N(\mathbb{R}^N) \) only for \( N = 2, 3, 4 \) but not \( N > 4 \) by Sobolev embedding, \( H^1 \)-bound is sufficient for higher regularity only if \( N = 2, 3, 4 \). Thus, in dimension strictly higher than four, one needs to bound beyond \( H^1 \)-norm; however, because the decomposition of the nonlinear terms is the most important ingredient of component reduction results (see Proposition 3.1), this will complicate the proof significantly. To the best of the author’s knowledge, component reduction results for dimension strictly larger than three do not exist in the literature either. We now present our results:

**Theorem 1.1.** Let \( N = 4 \) and

\( u \in C([0, T); H^s(\mathbb{R}^4)) \cap L^2([0, T); H^{s+1}(\mathbb{R}^4)) \) (8)

be the solution to the NSE (1a)-(1b) for a given \( u_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^4), s > 4 \). Suppose \( u_3, u_4 \) with their corresponding \( p_i, r_i, i = 3, 4 \) satisfy the following roles of \( f \):

\[ \int_0^T \|f\|_{L^p_i}^2 d\tau \leq c, \quad \frac{4}{p_i} + \frac{2}{r_i} \leq \frac{1}{p_i} + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 6 < p_i \leq \infty, \] (9)

or \( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_{L^6} \) being sufficiently small. Then \( u \) remains in the same regularity class (8) on \([0, T']\) for some \( T' > T \).
Theorem 1.2. Let \( N = 4 \) and \( u \) in the regularity class of (8) be the solution to the NSE (1a)-(1b) for a given \( u_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^4), s > 4 \). Suppose \( \nabla u_3, \nabla u_4 \) with their corresponding \( p_i, r_i, i = 3, 4 \) satisfy the following roles of \( f \):

\[
\int_0^T \| f \|_{L^{p_i}}^{r_i} \, dt \leq c, \quad \frac{4}{p_i} + \frac{2}{r_i} \leq \begin{cases} \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{p_i}, & \text{if } \frac{12}{5} < p_i \leq 4, \\ 1 + \frac{2}{p_i}, & \text{if } 4 < p_i \leq \infty, \end{cases}
\]

or \( \sup_{t \in [0,T]} \| f(t) \|_{L^6} \) being sufficiently small. Then \( u \) remains in the same regularity class (8) on \([0, T']\) for some \( T' > T \).

Theorem 1.3. Let \( N = 4 \) and

\[
u, b \in C([0, T); H^s(\mathbb{R}^4)) \cap L^2([0, T); H^{s+1}(\mathbb{R}^4))
\]

be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) for a given \( u_0, b_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^4), s > 4 \). Suppose \( u_3, u_4, b \) with their corresponding \( p_i, r_i, i = 3, 4, b \) satisfy the following roles of \( f \):

\[
\int_0^T \| f \|_{L^{p_i}}^{r_i} \, dt \leq c, \quad \frac{4}{p_i} + \frac{2}{r_i} \leq \frac{1}{p_i} + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 6 < p_i \leq \infty,
\]

or \( \sup_{t \in [0,T]} \| f(t) \|_{L^6} \) being sufficiently small. Then \( u, b \) remain in the same regularity class (11) on \([0, T']\) for some \( T' > T \).

Theorem 1.4. Let \( N = 4 \) and \( u, b \) in the regularity class of (11) be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) for a given \( u_0, b_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^4), s > 4 \). Suppose \( \nabla u_3, \nabla u_4, \nabla b \) with their corresponding \( p_i, r_i, i = 3, 4, b \) satisfy the following roles of \( f \):

\[
\int_0^T \| f \|_{L^{p_i}}^{r_i} \, dt \leq c, \quad \frac{4}{p_i} + \frac{2}{r_i} \leq \begin{cases} \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{p_i}, & \text{if } \frac{12}{5} < p_i \leq 4, \\ 1 + \frac{2}{p_i}, & \text{if } 4 < p_i \leq \infty, \end{cases}
\]

or \( \sup_{t \in [0,T]} \| f(t) \|_{L^6} \) being sufficiently small. Then \( u, b \) remain in the same regularity class (11) on \([0, T']\) for some \( T' > T \).

Theorem 1.5. Let \( N = 4 \) and \( u \) in the regularity class of (8) be the solution to the NSE (1a)-(1b) for a given \( u_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^4), s > 4 \). Suppose \( \partial_3 \pi, \partial_2 \pi \) with their corresponding \( p_i, r_i, i = 3, 4 \) satisfy the following roles of \( f \):

\[
\int_0^T \| f \|_{L^{p_i}}^{r_i} \, dt \leq c, \quad \frac{4}{p_i} + \frac{2}{r_i} \leq \frac{8}{3}, \quad \frac{12}{7} < p_i \leq 6.
\]

Then \( u \) remains in the same regularity class (8) on \([0, T']\) for some \( T' > T \).

Remark 1.1. (1) Let us briefly elaborate on the proof of these results. In the case of the NSE (1a)-(1b) with \( N = 3, \nu > 0 \), the standard procedure to obtain a criteria in terms of \( u_3 \) may be to, e.g. first estimate every partial derivative except the last and hence \( \| \nabla u_3 \|_{L^2} \) and in this process separate \( u_3 \) in the non-linear term:

\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u \leq c \int |u_3| \| \nabla u \| \| \nabla \nabla_{1,2} u \|
\]

(cf. [19] Lemma 2.3). Thereafter, upon a full gradient and hence an \( H^1 \)-estimate, on the non-linear term one separates \( |\nabla_{1,2} u| : \)
\[ \int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta u \leq c \int |\nabla_{1,2}u||\nabla u|^2 \]  \hspace{1cm} (16) 

(cf. [37]) so that the \( \|\nabla_{1,2}u\|_{L^2} \) estimate may be applied.

In the case \( N = 4 \), it seems difficult to separate \( u_3 \) or even \( u_3 \) and \( u_4 \) in \( \int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2,3}u \). Our first key observation is that we can separate \( u_3, u_4 \) from \( \int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u \) (See Proposition 3.1). However, this leaves two other directions instead of only one in contrast to the case \( N = 3 \) and disables us to obtain an inequality analogous to (16) upon the full \( H^1 \)-estimate. Our second key observation was that the non-linear term contains \( u \cdot \nabla = \sum_{i=1}^{4} u_i \partial_i = \sum_{i=1}^{2} u_i \partial_i + \sum_{i=3}^{4} u_i \partial_i \) so that in the first sum, the \( \nabla_{1,2} \) estimate may be applied while in the second, use our hypothesis on \( u_3, u_4 \) (see (43) and also (46)).

(2) In comparison of Theorem 1.1 with (3), Theorem 1.2 with (4), Theorem 1.5 with (5), we may consider the results of this manuscript as component reduction of many previous work. Moreover, in comparison of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 with (6), Theorem 1.3 with (7), we may consider the results of this manuscript as four-dimension extension of many previous work in three-dimension.

(3) There are many results that exist for the regularity criteria component reduction theory of the three-dimensional NSE and the MHD system that we may look forward to being generalized to the four-dimensional case. We remark however that some of such results did not seem readily generalizable. We also note that to reduce our two-component regularity criterion for the four-dimensional NSE to one component or to extend it to higher dimension such as five, it seems to require a new approach.

(4) The Lemma 2.3 of [19] has found much applications, e.g. in the study on the anisotropic NSE (e.g. [33]). We note that our Proposition 3.1 can be readily generalized further to any \( \mathbb{R}^N, N \geq 3 \); we chose to state the case \( N = 4 \) for the simplicity of presentation.

(5) In [31], the author showed that for dimensions \( N = 3, 4, 5 \), \( N \)-component regularity criteria may be reduced to \( (N - 1) \) many components for the generalized MHD system following the method in [27]; the results in [31] and this manuscript do not cover each other. In [30] the author also obtained a regularity criteria of \( N \)-dimensional porous media equation governed by Darcy’s law in terms of one partial derivative of the scalar-valued solution. The method in [30] cannot be applied to \((1a)-(1b), (2a)-(2c)\).

In the Preliminaries section, we set up notations and state key facts. Local theory is well-known (cf. [22]); hence, by the standard argument of continuation of local theory, we only need to obtain \( H^s \)-bounds. We present the proofs of Theorems 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5. Because the NSE is the MHD system at \( b \equiv 0 \), the proofs of Theorem 1.3 and 1.4 immediately deduce Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 respectively.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout the rest of the manuscript, we shall assume \( \nu, \eta = 1 \) for simplicity. We write \( A \lesssim_{a,b} B \) when there exists a constant \( c \geq 0 \) of significant dependence only on \( a, b \) such that \( A \leq cB \), similarly \( A \approx_{a,b} B \) in case \( A = cB \). We denote the fractional Laplacian operator \( \Lambda^s \equiv (-\Delta)^{s/2} \) and
Proof. This is a standard computation; we sketch it for completeness. We apply Young’s inequalities and (18). Thus, after absorbing, Gronwall’s inequality completes the proof of Lemma 2.3.

Lemma 2.1. Let \( f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^4) \). Then

\[
\|f\|_{L^4} \lesssim \|\partial_1 f\|_{L^2}^2 \|\partial_2 f\|_{L^2}^2 \|\partial_3 f\|_{L^2}^2 \|\partial_4 f\|_{L^2}^2.
\] (17)

We will use the following elementary inequality frequently:

\[
(a + b)^p \leq 2^p(a^p + b^p), \quad \text{for } 0 \leq p < \infty \text{ and } a, b \geq 0.
\] (18)

We obtain the basic energy bounds: e.g. for the MHD system (2a)-(2c), taking \( L^2 \)-inner products with \( (u, b) \) on (2a)-(2b) respectively, integrating in time leads to

\[
\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left( \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) + \int_0^T \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \, d\tau \lesssim u_0, b_0.
\] (19)

We use the following commutator estimate to prove another lemma concerning higher regularity:

Lemma 2.2. (cf. [18]) Let \( f, g \) be smooth such that \( \nabla f \in L^{p_1}, \Lambda_s \Lambda_s^{-1} g \in L^{p_2}, \Lambda_s f \in L^{p_3}, g \in L^{p_4}, p \in (1, \infty), \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} = \frac{1}{p_3} + \frac{1}{p_4} \), \( p_2, p_3 \geq 1, s > 0 \). Then

\[
\|\Lambda_s^s (fg) - f \Lambda_s^s g\|_{L^p} \lesssim \left( \|\nabla f\|_{L^{p_1}} \|\Lambda_s \Lambda_s^{-1} g\|_{L^{p_2}} + \|\Lambda_s f\|_{L^{p_3}} \|g\|_{L^{p_4}} \right).
\]

Lemma 2.3. Let \( (u, b) \) be the solution to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) in \([0, T]\) with \( u_0, b_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^N), N \geq 3, s > 2 + \frac{N}{2} \). Then if \( \int_0^T \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \, d\tau \leq 1 \), then

\[
\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left( \|\Lambda_s^s u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda_s^s b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) + \int_0^T \|\Lambda_s \nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda_s \nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \, d\tau \leq 1.
\]

Proof. This is a standard computation; we sketch it for completeness. We apply \( \Lambda^s \) on (2a)-(2b), take \( L^2 \)-inner products with \( \Lambda^s u, \Lambda^s b \) respectively to obtain

\[
\frac{1}{2} \partial_t \left( \|\Lambda^s u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) + \|\Lambda^s \nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s \nabla b\|_{L^2}^2
\]

\[
= -\int \left[ \Lambda^s((u \cdot \nabla)u) - u \cdot \nabla \Lambda^s u \right] \cdot \Lambda^s u - \int \left[ \Lambda^s((u \cdot \nabla)b) - u \cdot \nabla \Lambda^s b \right] \cdot \Lambda^s b
\]

\[
+ \int \left[ \Lambda^s((b \cdot \nabla)b) - b \cdot \nabla \Lambda^s b \right] \cdot \Lambda^s u + \int \left[ \Lambda^s((b \cdot \nabla)u) - b \cdot \nabla \Lambda^s u \right] \cdot \Lambda^s b
\]

\[
\lesssim \left( \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) \left( \|\Lambda^s u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) \left( \|\Lambda^s u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s b\|_{L^2}^2 \right)
\]

\[
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \|\Lambda^s \nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s \nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) + c \left( \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2 \right) \left( \|\Lambda^s u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Lambda^s b\|_{L^2}^2 \right)
\]

by Hölder’s inequalities, Lemma 2.2, Sobolev embedding of \( H^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \hookrightarrow L^{\frac{2N}{N-2}}(\mathbb{R}^N) \), Young’s inequalities and (18). Thus, after absorbing, Gronwall’s inequality completes the proof of Lemma 2.3.

Due to Lemma 2.3, the proof of our theorems are complete once we obtain \( H^1 \)-bound.
3. Proof of Theorem 1.3

3.1. \( \| \nabla_{1,2}u \|_{L^2}^2 + \| \nabla_{1,2}b \|_{L^2}^2 \)-estimate. We first prove an important decomposition which we present as a proposition:

**Proposition 3.1.** Let \( N = 4 \) and \((u, b)\) be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c). Then

\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u + (u \cdot \nabla)b \cdot \Delta_{1,2}b - (b \cdot \nabla)b \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u - (b \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}b
\]

\[
\lesssim \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2}u| + |b|(|\nabla u| + |\nabla b|)(|\nabla \nabla_{1,2}u| + |\nabla \nabla_{1,2}b|). \quad (20)
\]

Moreover,

\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u + (u \cdot \nabla)b \cdot \Delta_{1,2}b - (b \cdot \nabla)b \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u - (b \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}b
\]

\[
\lesssim \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2}u| + |\nabla b| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2}b| |\nabla u|. \quad (21)
\]

**Proof.** We write components-wise and integrate by parts to obtain

\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla)u \cdot \Delta_{1,2}u
\]

\[
= \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j
\]

\[
= \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i,k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j
\]

\[
= \sum_{i,j,k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j.
\]

For the second and third integrals of (22), we integrate by parts to obtain

\[
- \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j
\]

\[
= \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i,k=1}^{2} \int u_j \partial_i (\partial_k u_j \partial_k u_j) + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \int u_i \partial_k (\partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j)
\]

\[
\lesssim \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2}u|.
\]

On the other hand, we write the first integral of (22) explicitly
\(- \sum_{i,j,k=1}^{2} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j \) \quad (24)

\[- \int (\partial_1 u_1)^3 + \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_1 + \partial_1 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 \partial_1 u_2 + \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_2 + \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_1 + \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \partial_2 u_1 + \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \partial_2 u_1 + (\partial_2 u_2)^3 \approx \sum_{i=1}^{8} I_i.\]

We combine and use the incompressibility condition of \(u\) to obtain

\[I_1 + I_8 = - \int (\partial_1 u_1)^3 + (\partial_2 u_2)^3 \quad (25)\]

\[= \int (\partial_1 u_1)^2 \partial_2 u_2 + (\partial_1 u_1)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) + (\partial_2 u_2)^2 \partial_1 u_1 + (\partial_2 u_2)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4).\]

We combine the first and third terms to obtain

\[\int (\partial_1 u_1)^2 \partial_2 u_2 + (\partial_2 u_2)^2 \partial_1 u_1 = - \int \partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4)\]

so that we may continue (25) by

\[I_1 + I_8 = - \int \partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \quad (26)\]

\[+ \int (\partial_1 u_1)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) + (\partial_2 u_2)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4)\]

\[= \int u_3 \partial_3 (\partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_2) + u_4 \partial_4 (\partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_2)\]

\[- \int u_3 \partial_3 (\partial_1 u_1)^2 + (\partial_2 u_2)^2 \]

\[\lesssim \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} u|.\]

Similarly,

\[I_2 + I_6 = - \int \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_1 + \partial_2 u_2 \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \]

\[\approx \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} u|,\]

\[I_5 + I_7 = - \int \partial_1 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 \partial_1 u_2 + \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_2 \partial_2 u_2 \]

\[\approx \int (|u_3| + |u_4|)|\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} u|,\]
we go back to (22) and estimate the second and third integrals by
\[ I_4 + I_5 = -\int \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_2 + \partial_1 u_2 \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_1 \] (29)
\[ = \int \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \lesssim \int (|u_3| + |u_4|) |\nabla u| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u|. \]

Next, we may estimate the other three terms as follows:
\[ \int (u \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b - (b \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u - (b \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b \] (30)
\[ = - \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k b_j + \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k b_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k u_j + \partial_k b_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k b_j \]
\[ = \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k b_j - \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k b_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k u_j + b_i \partial_k (\partial_i u_j \partial_k b_j) \]
\[ \lesssim \int |b||\nabla u| |\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u| + |\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b|. \]

Applying (26)-(29) in (24), considering (22), (23) and (30) we obtain (20). Now we go back to (22) and estimate the second and third integrals by
\[ - \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j \] (31)
\[ \lesssim \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int |\partial_k u||\nabla u_j||\partial_k u_j| + \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int |\nabla u_i||\nabla u||\partial_k u| \lesssim \int (|\nabla u_3| + |\nabla u_4|)|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u| |\nabla u| \]
whereas continuing from (26),
\[ I_1 + I_8 = - \int \partial_1 u_1 \partial_2 u_2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) + ((\partial_1 u_1)^2 + (\partial_2 u_2)^2) (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \] (32)
\[ \lesssim \int |\nabla_{1,2} u|^2 (|\partial_3 u_3| + |\partial_4 u_4|), \]
continuing from (27),
\[ I_2 + I_6 = \int (\partial_2 u_2)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \lesssim \int |\nabla_{1,2} u|^2 (|\partial_3 u_3| + |\partial_4 u_4|), \] (33)
continuing from (28),
\[ I_3 + I_7 = \int (\partial_1 u_2)^2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \lesssim \int |\nabla_{1,2} u|^2 (|\partial_3 u_3| + |\partial_4 u_4|), \] (34)
and continuing from (29),
\[ I_4 + I_5 = \int \partial_2 u_1 \partial_1 u_2 (\partial_3 u_3 + \partial_4 u_4) \lesssim \int |\nabla_{1,2} u|^2 (|\partial_3 u_3| + |\partial_4 u_4|). \] (35)
Thus, considering (31)-(35) in (22), we have shown
\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u \lesssim \int (|\nabla u_3| + |\nabla u_4|)|\nabla_{1,2} u| |\nabla u|.
\] (36)

Next, we estimate continuing from (30)

\[
\int (u \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b - (b \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u - (b \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b
\] (37)

\[= - \sum_{i,j=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^2 \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j b_j \partial_k b_i - \partial_k b_i \partial_j b_j \partial_k u_j - \partial_k b_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k b_j \lesssim \int |\nabla_b||\nabla_{1,2} b||\nabla u|.
\]

Considering (36) and (37), we obtain (21). This completes the proof of Proposition 3.1.

With this proposition, we now obtain our first estimate:

**Proposition 3.2.** Let \( N = 4 \) and \((u, b)\) be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) that satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 1.3. Then \( \forall t \in (0, T), p_i \in [6, \infty), \)

\[
\sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W(\tau) + \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau
\]

\[\leq W(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{2p_i-4} X_{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i}} Z_{\frac{2}{p_i-2}} (\tau) + \|b\|_{L^{p_i}}^{2p_i-4} X_{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i}} Z_{\frac{2}{p_i-2}} (\tau) d\tau
\]

with the usual convention at the case \( p_i = \infty, i = 3, 4, b \); i.e. \( \frac{2p_i}{p_i-2} = 1, \frac{p_i-4}{p_i-2} = 0. \)

**Proof.** We treat the case \( 6 \leq p_i < \infty \forall i = 3, 4, b \) first. We take \( L^2 \)-inner products on (2a)-(2b) with \(-\Delta_{1,2} u, -\Delta_{1,2} b\) respectively to obtain in sum

\[
\frac{1}{2} \partial_t W(t) + Y(t)
\]

\[\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \int |u_i||\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} u| + |b||\nabla b|(|\nabla u| + |\nabla b|)(|\nabla_{1,2} u| + |\nabla_{1,2} b|) \triangleq I_1 + I_2
\]

by (20). Now we estimate

\[I_1 \approx \sum_{i=3}^4 \int |u_i||\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} u| \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i-2}}} \|\nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}
\]

\[\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i-2}}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}
\]

\[\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i-2}}} \|\nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{p_i-2}} \|\Delta u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{p_i}}
\]

\[\lesssim \frac{1}{4} \|\nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}^2 + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{2p_i-4} X_{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i}} Z_{\frac{2}{p_i-2}} (t)
\]

by Hölder’s and interpolation inequalities, (17) and Young’s inequalities. Similarly,
In fact simpler: we have

$$ II_2 \approx \int |b|(|\nabla u| + |\nabla b|)(|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u| + |\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b|) $$

$$ \lesssim \|b\|_{L^p} (\|\nabla u\|_{L^p}^{\frac{p-4}{2}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^p}^{\frac{p-4}{2}}) (\|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^2}) $$

$$ \lesssim \|b\|_{L^p} X_T^{\frac{p-4}{2}} (t) (\|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p}{2}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p}{2}} + \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p}{2}} \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p}{2}}) Y^\frac{1}{2} (t) $$

$$ \leq \frac{1}{4} Y(t) + c \|b\|_{L^{p,\infty}}^2 X_T^{\frac{p-4}{2}} (t) Z_T^{\frac{p-4}{2}} (t) $$

by Hölder’s and interpolation inequalities, (18), (17) and Young’s inequality. In sum of (39) and (40) in (38), after absorbing and integrating over time $[0, T], t \in (0, T]$, we obtain the desired result in case $6 \leq p_i < \infty$. In case, $p_i = \infty$, the estimate is in fact simpler: we have

$$ II_1 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|u_i\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}^2 + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2; $$

$$ II_2 \lesssim \|b\|_{L^p} (\|\nabla u\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}) (\|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^2}) \leq \frac{1}{4} Y(t) + c \|b\|_{L^{p,\infty}}^2 X(t). $$

Thus, in case $p_i = \infty$, Proposition 3.2 holds with $\frac{2p_i}{p_i - 2} = 2, \frac{p_i - 4}{p_i - 2} = 1, \frac{2}{p_i - 2} = 0$.

3.2. $\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2$-estimate. The next important step of the proof is to make use of the $\|\nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^2}^2$-estimate to obtain the bound on $\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^2$, which requires another key decomposition (see (43), (46)).

**Proposition 3.3.** Let $N = 4$ and $(u, b)$ be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) that satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 1.3. Then

$$ \sup_{t \in [0, T]} X(t) + \int_0^T Z(\tau) d\tau \lesssim 1. $$

**Proof.** Firstly, we assume $6 \leq p_i < \infty$ again. We take $L^2$-inner products on (2a)-(2b) with $(-\Delta u, -\Delta b)$ respectively to obtain

$$ \frac{1}{2} \partial_t X(t) + Z(t) $$

$$ = \int (u \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u + (u \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{3,4} u + (u \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b + (u \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{3,4} b $$

$$ - (b \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{1,2} u - (b \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{3,4} u - (b \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{1,2} b - (b \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{3,4} b \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^{8} III_i. $$

From (38)-(40), we already have the estimates of
\[ III_1 + III_3 + III_5 + III_7 \lesssim II_1 + II_2 \]  
\[ \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \| u_i \|_{L^{p_1}} \| \nabla u \|_{L^2}^{p_1 - 4} \| \nabla \nabla_{1,2} u \|_{L^2}^{2 + p_1} \| \Delta u \|_{L^2}^{2} + \| b \|_{L^{p_2}} X^{\frac{p_1 - 4}{2}} (t) \frac{1}{Z^{\frac{1}{4}} (t)} \frac{Y^{\frac{1}{4}}}{Z^{\frac{1}{4}} (t)} (42) \]

\[ \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} (\| u_i \|_{L^{p_1}}^{2} + \| b \|_{L^{p_2}}^{2}) X(t) \]

by Young’s inequalities. Next, we work on \( III_2 \), which we first integrate by parts and decompose as follows:

\[ III_2 = \int (u \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{3,4} u = - \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j \]

\[ = - \sum_{i=1}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j - \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_j u_j \partial_k u_j \]

\[ = - \sum_{i=1}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j + \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int u_i \partial_k (\partial_i u_j \partial_k u) \]

\[ \lesssim \int |\nabla u|^2 |\nabla_{1,2} u| + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int u_i |\nabla u| |\nabla^2 u| \triangleq IV_1 + IV_2. \]

We estimate

\[ IV_1 \approx \int |\nabla_{1,2} u| |\nabla u|^2 \lesssim \| \nabla_{1,2} u \|_{L^2} \| \nabla u \|_{L^4}^2 \]

\[ \lesssim \| \nabla_{1,2} u \|_{L^2} \| \nabla \nabla_{1,2} u \|_{L^2} \| \Delta u \|_{L^2} \lesssim W^{\frac{1}{2}} (t) Y^{\frac{1}{2}} (t) Z^{\frac{1}{2}} (t) \]  

by Hölder’s inequalities and (17). On the other hand,

\[ IV_2 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \| u_i \|_{L^{p_1}} \| \nabla u \|_{L^{2 p_1 / 2}} \| \nabla^2 u \|_{L^2} \]

\[ \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \| u_i \|_{L^{p_1}} \| \nabla u \|_{L^2}^{1 - \frac{1}{p_1}} \| \Delta u \|_{L^2}^{1 + \frac{1}{p_1}} \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \| u_i \|_{L^{p_1}}^{2} X(t) \]

by Hölder’s, Gagliardo-Nirenberg and Young’s inequalities. Next, again we carefully decompose
\[ III_4 = \int (u \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{3,4} b = - \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_l b_j \partial_k b_j \] (46)

\[ = - \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_l b_j \partial_k b_j - \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i,k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_l b_j \partial_k b_j \]

\[ = - \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=3}^{4} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_l b_j \partial_k b_j + \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sum_{i,k=3}^{4} \int u_i \partial_k (\partial_l b_j \partial_k b_j) \]

\[ \lesssim \int |\nabla u| |\nabla_{1,2} b| |\nabla b| + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |u_i| |\nabla b| |\nabla^2 b| \triangleq IV_3 + IV_4. \]

We estimate

\[ IV_3 \approx \int |\nabla u| |\nabla_{1,2} b| |\nabla b| \lesssim \|\nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^p} \|\nabla u\|_{L^4} \|\nabla b\|_{L^4} \] (47)

\[ \lesssim \|\nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^p} \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} u\|_{L^p} \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2} b\|_{L^p} \|\Delta u\|_{L^2} \|\Delta b\|_{L^2} \lesssim W^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Y^{\frac{1}{3}}(t) Z^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) \]

by Hölder’s inequalities, (17) and Young’s inequalities. On the other hand, we estimate similarly to \( IV_2 \) in (45),

\[ IV_4 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla b\|_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i-2}}} \|\nabla^2 b\|_{L^2} \] (48)

\[ \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^{1-\frac{4}{p_i}} \|\Delta b\|_{L^2}^{1+\frac{4}{p_i}} \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|u_i\|_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i-2}}} X(t) \]

by Hölder’s, Gagliardo-Nirenberg and Young’s inequalities. Finally, similarly to \( IV_2 \) in (45) again

\[ III_6 + III_8 = - \int (b \cdot \nabla) b \cdot \Delta_{3,4} u + (b \cdot \nabla) u \cdot \Delta_{3,4} b \] (49)

\[ \lesssim \|b\|_{L^{p_b}} (\|\nabla b\|_{L^2}^{1+\frac{4}{p_b}} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^{1+\frac{4}{p_b}}) (\|\Delta u\|_{L^2}^{1+\frac{4}{p_b}} + \|\Delta b\|_{L^2}^{1+\frac{4}{p_b}}) \]

\[ \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \|b\|_{L^{\frac{2p_b}{p_b-2}}} X(t) \]

by Hölder’s, Gagliardo-Nirenberg and Young’s inequalities. Thus, applying (42)-(49) in (41), we obtain after absorbing

\[ \frac{1}{2} \partial_t X + \frac{1}{2} Z(t) \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} (\|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{2p_i} + \|b\|_{L^{\frac{2p_b}{p_b-2}}}^{2p_b}) X(t) + W^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Y^{\frac{1}{3}}(t) Z^{\frac{1}{2}}(t). \] (50)

Now we assume \( 6 < p_i < \infty \). Integrating over \([0,t], t \in (0,T]\), we obtain
\[
X(t) + \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \\
\leq X(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \left( ||u_i||_{L^{p_i}}^2 + ||b||_{L^{p_0}}^2 \right) X(\tau) d\tau + c \int_0^t W^{\frac{1}{2}}(\tau) Y^{\frac{1}{2}}(\tau) Z^{\frac{1}{2}}(\tau) d\tau.
\]

We focus only on the last integral which we bound by a constant multiples of

\[
\sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
\leq \left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t ||u_i||_{L^{p_i}}^2 X^{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i-2}}(\tau) Z^{\frac{p_i}{p_i-2}}(\tau) + ||b||_{L^{p_0}}^2 X^{\frac{p_0-4}{p_0-2}}(\tau) Z^{\frac{p_0}{p_0-2}}(\tau) d\tau \right) \\
\times \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
\leq \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \int_0^t ||u_i||_{L^{p_i}}^2 X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i-2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_i}{p_i-2}} \\
+ \left( \int_0^t ||b||_{L^{p_0}}^2 X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_0-4}{p_0-2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_0}{p_0-2}} \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \int_0^t ||u_i||_{L^{p_i}}^2 X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_i-4}{p_i-2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_i}{p_i-2}} \\
+ \left( \int_0^t ||b||_{L^{p_0}}^2 X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_0-4}{p_0-2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{p_0}{p_0-2}} \right) \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \left( ||u_i||_{L^{p_i}}^2 + ||b||_{L^{p_0}}^2 \right) X(\tau) d\tau \right)
\]

by Hölder's inequalities, Proposition 3.2, Young's inequalities and (19). After absorbing, Gronwall's inequality implies the desired result in case \(6 < p_i < \infty, r_i < \infty\).

We now consider the case \(p_i = \infty\), assuming for the simplicity of presentation that \(p_3 = p_4 = p_0 = \infty\). Firstly, we could have computed in contrast to (42), (43), (46) and (49) respectively

\[
III_1 + III_3 + III_5 + III_7 \lesssim II_1 + II_2
\]

\[
\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( ||u_i||_{L^\infty} ||\nabla u||_{L^2} ||\Delta u||_{L^2} + ||b||_{L^\infty} (||\nabla u||_{L^2} + ||\nabla b||_{L^2}) ||\Delta u||_{L^2} + ||\Delta b||_{L^2} \right)
\]

\[
\leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 (||u_i||_{L^\infty}^2 + ||b||_{L^\infty}^2) X(t),
\]
III_2 \leq IV_1 + IV_2
\\leq \|\nabla v\|_{L^2}^2 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^2 u\|_{L^2} - \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \left( W^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Y^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Z^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 X(t) \right),

III_4 \leq IV_3 + IV_4
\leq \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^1 b\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^1 b\|_{L^2} + \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla b\|_{L^2} \|\Delta b\|_{L^2}
\leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \left( W^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Y^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) Z^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 X(t) \right),

III_6 + III_9 \leq \|b\|_{L^\infty} (\|\nabla b\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}) (\|\nabla^2 u\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla^2 b\|_{L^2})
\leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2 X(t)

all by Hölder’s and Young’s inequalities and (17) only in (52) and (53). Thus applying (51)-(54) in (41), absorbing and integrating in time \([0, t]\), we obtain

\begin{align*}
X(t) + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau
\leq & X(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2) X(\tau) d\tau + c \sup_{\tau \in [0, t]} W^{\frac{1}{2}}(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
\leq & \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2) X(\tau) d\tau \\
& + c \left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2) X(\tau) d\tau \right)^2 \\
\leq & \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \left( \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2) X(\tau) d\tau + 1 \right) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|u_i\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|b\|_{L^\infty}^2) X(\tau) d\tau
\end{align*}

by Hölder’s inequality, Proposition 3.2, Young’s inequality, (18) and (19). This completes the proof in case \(p_i = \infty\).

We now prove the second statement of Theorem 1.3, namely the smallness result when \(p_i = 6, r_i = \infty\). For simplicity of presentation, we assume \(p_i = 6 \forall i = 3, 4, b\). We integrate in time on \((50)\) to obtain
\[ X(t) + \int_0^t Z(t) d\tau \]
\[ \leq X(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} (\| u_i \|_{L^6}^6 + \| b \|_{L^6}^6) (\tau) \int_0^t X(\tau) d\tau + \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W^\frac{4}{3}(t) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \times \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \]
\[ \leq 1 + \left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t (\| u_i \|_{L^6}^6 + \| b \|_{L^6}^6) X^{\frac{2}{3}}(\tau) Z^\frac{2}{3}(\tau) d\tau \right) \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \]
\[ \leq 1 + \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} (\| u_i \|_{L^6}^6 + \| b \|_{L^6}^6) (\tau) \left( \int_0^t X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right) \]
\[ \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \]
for \( \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} (\| u_i \|_{L^6}^6 + \| b \|_{L^6}^6) (\tau) \) sufficiently small where we used Hölder’s inequality, Proposition 3.2, Young’s inequality and (19). Absorbing, Gronwall’s inequality completes the proof of Theorem 1.3.

4. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.4

We assume for simplicity of presentation that \( \forall i = 3, 4, b, p_i \in \left[ \frac{12}{5}, 4 \right] \) or \( p_i \in [4, \infty] \). A combination of mixed cases can be obtained following the proofs below.

Proposition 4.1. Let \( N = 4 \) and \((u, b)\) be the solution pair to the MHD system \((2a)-(2c)\) that satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 1.4. Then \( \forall t \in (0, T) \),

\[ \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W(\tau) + \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \]
\[ \leq \begin{cases} 
W(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}}^{4p_i} \right) X^{\frac{4}{3}p_i - 2} (\tau) Z^{\frac{4}{3}p_i - 4} (\tau) \, d\tau \\
+ \| \nabla b \|_{L^{p_i}}^{4p_i} \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}}^{4p_i} \right) X^{\frac{4}{3}p_i - 2} (\tau) Z^{\frac{4}{3}p_i - 4} (\tau) 
\end{cases} \]

\[ \leq W(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t (\| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}} \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L^{p_i}} \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}}) X(\tau) d\tau, \quad \text{if } p_i \in \left[ \frac{12}{5}, 4 \right], \]

\[ \leq 1 + \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} \left( \| u_i \|_{L^6}^6 + \| b \|_{L^6}^6 \right) (\tau) \left( \int_0^t X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right) \]

with the usual convention at \( p_i = \infty, i = 3, 4, b \); i.e. \( \frac{p_i}{p_i - 2} = 1 \).

Proof. We first assume \( p_i \in \left[ \frac{12}{5}, 4 \right] \). We take \( L^2 \)-inner products of \((2a)-(2b)\) with \(-\Delta_{1,2} u, -\Delta_{1,2} b\) respectively and estimate

\[ \frac{1}{2} \partial_t W(t) + Y(t) \leq 4 \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |\nabla u_i| |\nabla_{1,2} u| |\nabla u| + |\nabla b| |\nabla_{1,2} b| |\nabla u| \]

by (21). Now we estimate
\[
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u_i| & \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{2}} \frac{4 - p_i}{4 - p_i} 
\end{aligned}
\]
(56)

by Hölder’s inequalities, Sobolev embedding of \( \dot{H}^1(\mathbb{R}^4) \hookrightarrow L^4(\mathbb{R}^4) \), interpolation inequality, (17) and Young’s inequality. Similarly, we obtain

\[
\begin{aligned}
\int |\nabla b| |\nabla \cdot b| |\nabla u| & \lesssim \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}} \|\nabla \cdot b\|_{L^{2}} \frac{4 - p_b}{4 - p_b} 
\end{aligned}
\]
(57)

With (56) and (57) applied to (55), absorbing and integrating in time lead to

\[
W(t) + \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \leq W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \frac{4 - p_i}{4 - p_i} X^{\frac{4(p_i - 2)}{4 - p_i}} (\tau) Z^{\frac{4 - p_i}{4 - p_i}} (\tau) d\tau.
\]
(58)

We now work on the case \( 4 < p_i < \infty \):

\[
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u_i| & \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{2}} \frac{4 - p_i}{4 - p_i} 
\end{aligned}
\]
(59)
\[
\int |\nabla b| |\nabla_{1,2}b| |\nabla u| \lesssim \|\nabla b\|_{L^p}\|\nabla_{1,2}b\|_{L^\frac{p}{2}}\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}
\]
\[
\lesssim \|\nabla b\|_{L^p}\|\nabla_{1,2}b\|_{L^\frac{p}{2}}\|\nabla \nabla_{1,2}b\|_{L^2}\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}
\]
\[
\lesssim \frac{1}{4} Y(t) + c\|\nabla b\|_{L^p} X(t). \tag{60}
\]

We apply (59) and (60) in (55), absorb and integrate in time to obtain

\[
W(t) + \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \leq W(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{\frac{p_i}{2}}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{\frac{p_b}{2}}} \right) X(\tau) d\tau. \tag{61}
\]

The case \(p_i = \infty\) requires only a standard modification as done in the proof of Theorem 1.3; that is,

\[
\sum_{i=3}^4 \int \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{\frac{p_i}{2}}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^\infty} X(t),
\]

so that summing and integrating in time leads to the desired result. This completes the proof of Proposition 4.1.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let \(N = 4\) and \((u, b)\) be the solution pair to the MHD system (2a)-(2c) that satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 1.4. Then

\[
\sup_{t \in [0,T]} X(t) + \int_0^T Z(\tau) d\tau \lesssim 1. \]

**Proof.** Similarly to the proof of Theorem 1.3, we estimate from (41). For \(p_i \in [\frac{12}{5}, 4]\), we continue our estimate from (55), (56) and (57) to obtain

\[
III_1 + III_3 + III_5 + III_7 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^4 \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla \nabla_{1,2}u\|_{L^\frac{p_i}{2}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^\frac{2(p_i-2)}{p_i}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}} Y^{\frac{4-p_b}{2p_b}} (t) X^{\frac{p_b-2}{p_b}} (t) \|\nabla u\|_{L^\frac{2(p_i-2)}{p_i}}
\]

\[
\lesssim \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}} \right) X(t)
\]

by Young’s inequality. We now decompose integrating by parts...
$III_2 = - \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=1}^{3} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k u_j$  

$$\leq \int |\nabla u|^2 |\nabla_{1,2} u| + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |\nabla u_i| |\nabla u|^2 \triangleq V_1 + V_2$$

where $V_1$ is estimated identically as $IV_1$ in (44) while we estimate

$$V_2 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u\|^2_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i - 2}}}$$  

$$\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla u\|^2_{L^2} \|\Delta u\|_{L^2}^{2(\frac{2}{p_i})} \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{\frac{p_i}{p_i - 2}} \times (t)$$

by Hölder’s, Gagliardo-Nirenberg and Young’s inequalities. Next, we decompose

$III_4 = - \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=1}^{3} \int \partial_k u_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k b_j$  

$$\leq \int |\nabla u||\nabla_{1,2} b||\nabla b| + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int |\nabla u_i| |\nabla b|^2 \triangleq V_3 + V_4$$

where we estimate $V_3$ as $IV_3$ in (47) while same estimate of $V_2$ in (64) lead to

$$V_4 \lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla b\|^2_{L^{\frac{2p_i}{p_i - 2}}}$$  

$$\lesssim \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \|\nabla b\|^2_{L^2} \|\Delta b\|_{L^2}^{2(\frac{2}{p_i})} \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \sum_{i=3}^{4} \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{\frac{p_i}{p_i - 2}} \times (t).$$

Finally,

$III_6 + III_8 = \sum_{i,j=1}^{4} \sum_{k=1}^{3} \int \partial_k b_i \partial_i b_j \partial_k u_j + \partial_k b_i \partial_i u_j \partial_k b_j$  

$$\lesssim \int |\nabla b|^2 |\nabla u|$$

$$\lesssim \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}} \|\nabla b\|^2_{L^{\frac{2p_b}{p_b - 2}}} \|\nabla u\|^2_{L^{\frac{2p_b}{p_b - 2}}} \|\Delta b\|_{L^2}^{2(\frac{2}{p_b})} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p_b}{p_b - 2}} \|\Delta u\|_{L^2}^{\frac{p_b}{p_b - 2}} \leq \frac{1}{16} Z(t) + c \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}}^{\frac{p_b}{p_b - 2}} \times (t)$
by Hölder’s, Gagliardo-Nirenberg and Young’s inequalities. Thus, we obtain by applying (62)-(67) in (41), absorbing and integrating in time,

$$X(t) + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\leq 1 + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{4/p_i - 1} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}}^{4/p_b - 1}) X(\tau) d\tau + \sup_{\tau \in [0, t]} W^\pm(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where we also used Hölder’s inequality. Now we assume $p_i \in \left( \frac{12}{5}, 4 \right)$. For the last term only, we bound it by a constant multiples of

$$\left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \int_0^t \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{4/p_i - 1} X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sup_{\tau \in [0, t]} W^\pm(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^{4} \left( \int_0^t \|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{4/p_i - 1} X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{4(p_i - 2)}{3(4p_i - 14)}} + \left( \int_0^t \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}}^{4/p_b - 2} X(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{4(p_i - 2)}{3(4p_i - 14)}} \right)$$

$$\leq 1 + \frac{1}{16} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + \frac{1}{16} \left( \sum_{i=3}^{4} (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{4/p_i - 1} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{p_b}}^{4/p_b - 2}) X(t) \right)$$

by Young’s inequality. The rest of the estimates of $III_1, III_3, III_5, III_7$ all go through as in the case $p_i \in \left[ \frac{12}{5}, 4 \right]$. Indeed, continuing from (63), we bound $III_2 \lesssim V_1 + V_2$ where $V_1$ is estimated as $IV_1$ in (44) and $V_2$ is estimated identically as (64). The estimates of $III_4$ also goes through as in (65): $III_4 \lesssim V_3 + V_4$ where $V_3$ is estimated as $IV_3$ in (47) and $V_4$ in (66). Finally, we use the estimate of $III_6 + III_8$ in (67). Thus, in sum, after absorbing, integrating in time, we obtain
\[ X(t) + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \leq X(0) + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L_{p_i}^{p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L_{p_b}^{p_b}} \right) X(\tau) d\tau \\
+ c \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W^2(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \]

by Hölder’s inequality. We bound the last term by

\[ c(W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L_{p_i}^{p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L_{p_b}^{p_b}} \right) X(\tau) d\tau \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \]

\[ \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \int_0^t \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L_{p_i}^{p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L_{p_b}^{p_b}} \right) X(\tau) d\tau \right)^2 \right) \]

\[ \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau) d\tau + c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L_{p_i}^{2p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L_{p_b}^{2p_b}} \right)^2 X(\tau) d\tau \right) \]

by Proposition 4.1, Young’s and Hölder’s inequalities and (19). After absorbing, Gronwall’s inequality implies the desired result. We now consider the case \( p_i = \infty \).

For simplicity, we assume \( p_i = \infty \) for \( i = 3, 4, b \). We continue from (41) where we estimate in contrast to (69),

\[ \| \nabla u_i \|_{L_{1,2}^{1,2}} \| \nabla b \|_{L_{1,2}^{1,2}} \| \nabla u \| \leq \sum_{i=3}^4 \left( \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}} + \| \nabla b \|_{L^{p_b}} \right) X(t) \]

due to (55), Hölder’s and Young’s inequalities. Moreover, from \( III_2 \leq V_1 + V_2 \) of (63), we estimate \( V_1 \) is estimated as \( IV_1 \) in (44) and

\[ V_2 \approx \sum_{i=3}^4 \int |\nabla u_i| \| \nabla u \|^2 \leq \sum_{i=3}^4 \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}} \| \nabla u \|_{L^{2}}^2. \]

Moreover, from \( III_4 \leq V_3 + V_4 \) of (65), we have \( V_3 \) estimated as \( IV_3 \) in (47) while

\[ V_4 \approx \sum_{i=3}^4 \int |\nabla u_i| \| \nabla b \|^2 \leq \sum_{i=3}^4 \| \nabla u_i \|_{L^{p_i}} \| \nabla b \|_{L^{2}}^2. \]

Finally, continuing our estimate from (67),

\[ III_6 + III_8 \leq \int |\nabla b|^2 \| \nabla u \| \leq \| \nabla b \|_{L^{p_b}} \| \nabla b \|_{L^{2}} \| \nabla u \|_{L^{p_b}} \| \nabla b \|_{L^{2}} \leq \| \nabla b \|_{L^{p_b}} X(t). \]

In sum, integrating in time we obtain
\[
X(t) + 2 \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \\
\lesssim X(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^\infty} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^\infty}) X(\tau)d\tau + \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W^4(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2}
\]

\[
\lesssim X(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^\infty} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^\infty}) X(\tau)d\tau \\
+ \left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}}) X(\tau)d\tau \right) \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2} \\
\leq \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau + c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}} + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}})^2 X(\tau)d\tau \right)
\]

by Hölder’s inequality, Proposition 4.1, Young’s inequality and (19).

Finally, we prove the smallness result in the case \( p_i = \frac{12}{5}, r_i = \infty \), for which for simplicity of presentation, we assume \( r_i = \infty, p_i = \frac{12}{5}, \forall i = 3, 4, b \). We continue from (68):

\[
X(t) + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \\
\lesssim X(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}}^6 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}}^6) X(\tau)d\tau + \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} W^4(\tau) \left( \int_0^t Y(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2} \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2}
\]

\[
\lesssim X(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}}^6 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}}^6) X(\tau)d\tau \\
+ \left( W(0) + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{3_p}}^3 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{3_p}}^3) X^\frac{1}{2}(\tau) Z^\frac{1}{2}(\tau)d\tau \right) \left( \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \right)^\frac{1}{2} \\
\leq \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{3_p}}^3 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{3_p}}^3)^2 X(\tau)d\tau \\
+ c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \int_0^t (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{3_p}}^3 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{3_p}}^3)^2 X^\frac{1}{2}(\tau) Z^\frac{1}{2}(\tau)d\tau \right) \\
\leq \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau + c \sum_{i=3}^4 \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}}^6 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}}^6)(\tau) \int_0^t X(\tau)d\tau \\
+ c \left( 1 + \sum_{i=3}^4 \sup_{\tau \in [0,t]} (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{6_p}}^6 + \|\nabla b\|_{L^{6_p}}^6)(\tau) \int_0^t X(\tau)d\tau \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau \right) \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Z(\tau)d\tau + c
\]
for $\sum_{i=1}^{4} \sup_{t \in [0,T]} (\|\nabla u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^6 + \|\nabla b_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^6) (t)$ sufficiently small where we used Hölder’s inequality, Proposition 4.1, Young’s inequality, (18) and (19). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.4.

5. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.5

We fix $q_i \in (\frac{6}{p_i}, 6)$ and then $p_i = 6 + \epsilon$ for $\epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small so that $\frac{2(6+\epsilon)}{6+\epsilon+1} < q_i$ and also $q_i < 6 < p_i$. This implies that $\forall \epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small, we have $q_i \in (\frac{2p_i}{p_i+1}, p_i)$. Now we multiply the $i$-th component of (1a) with $|u_i|^{p_i-2} u_i$, integrate in space to obtain

$$\frac{1}{p_i} \partial_t \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i} + c(p_i) \|u_i\|_{L^{2p_i}}^{p_i} \lesssim \|\partial_i \pi\|_{L^{p_i}} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i-1} \frac{L}{(p_i-1)q_i}$$

$$\lesssim \|\partial_i \pi\|_{L^q} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} \frac{1}{L^{p_i}}$$

$$\lesssim \frac{c(p_i)}{2} \|u_i\|_{L^{2p_i}}^{p_i} + c \|\partial_i \pi\|_{L^q} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i} \left( \frac{p_i q_i - 2p_i + q_i}{p_i q_i} \right)$$

where we used the lower bound estimate on the dissipative term of

$$c(p_i) \|u_i\|_{L^{2p_i}}^{p_i} \approx \|\nabla u_i\|_{s}^2 \lesssim \|u_i\|_{H^s}^2 \approx \frac{(p_i-1)4}{p_i^2} \int |\nabla u_i|^2 = - \int \Delta u_i |u_i|^{p_i-2} u_i$$

for some constant $c(p_i)$ that depends on $p_i$, Hölder’s, interpolation and Young’s inequalities. We absorb and obtain

$$\frac{1}{p_i} \partial_t \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i} + \frac{c(p_i)}{2} \|u_i\|_{L^{2p_i}}^{p_i} \lesssim \|\partial_i \pi\|_{L^q} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i} \left( 1 + \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}}^{p_i} \right)$$

by Young’s inequality. By hypothesis of Theorem 1.5 and Gronwall’s inequality, $\forall \epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small we have $\sum_{i=1}^{4} \sup_{t \in [0,T]} \|u_i\|_{L^{p_i}} (t) \lesssim 1$ where $p_i = 6 + \epsilon$.

By Theorem 1.1, the proof of Theorem 1.5 is complete.

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