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#### Abstract.

This paper constitutes a continuation and an improvement of the study [11] on the stationary statistical solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations in bounded domains. Also it contains some new results pertaining to the asymptotic behaviour of the non stationary individual solutions or to the global behaviour of the stationary individual solutions. A discussion on the possible meaning in the theory of the turbulence of the results we establish here, is also given.

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#### §.1. Introduction.

1.1. Among the most tantalizing problems of the nowadays mathematical physics is that of the occurrence of turbulent phenomena (quoted by P.D. Lax [21] as one of the three typical pattern of the physical meaningful nonlinear problems) in the evolution of the solutions of equations of the Navier-Stokes type. Therefore it seems

whorth to look for a better understanding of the global and the asymptotic behaviour of the solutions of the initial value problem for the Navier-Stokes equations

(1.1.1) 
$$\begin{cases} \partial_{\mathbf{t}} u_{\mathbf{i}} - \nu \Delta u_{\mathbf{i}} + \sum_{\mathbf{i}}^{\mathbf{n}} u_{\mathbf{j}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{j}}} u_{\mathbf{i}} = -\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{i}}} p + g_{\mathbf{i}} & (\mathbf{i} = 1, 2, ..., n), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{i}}^{\mathbf{n}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{j}}} u_{\mathbf{j}} = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times [0, \infty), \text{ and} \\ u_{\mathbf{i}} = 0 & (\mathbf{i} = 1, 2, ..., n) & \text{on } \partial \Omega \times (0, \infty), \end{cases}$$

where  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (n = 2,3), v>0 and g = {g<sub>1</sub>,...,g<sub>n</sub>} represent the kinematic viscosity, resp. the external body forces and p the pressure. We will assume that

$$g \in (L^2(\Omega))^n$$

Our belief is that an efficient way of answering to the above expressed axis is to study the statistical solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations, especially the stationary ones.

Heuristically these solutions can be defined as follows (see for instance [23], Ch.I, §.6): The equations (1.1.1) are viewed as an evolution equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{u}}{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{t}} + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{u}) = 0$$

in a suitable real infinite dimensional Hilbert space H, where A(u) is a specific continuous (non linear) map from a subspace  $H^1 \subset H$  (dense in H and endowed with a supplementary stronger norm) into its dual  $H^{-1} \supset H$  (for details, see n° 2.3 below). Roughly speaking, a stationary statistical solution of (1.1.1-2) is a Borel probability measure  $\mu$  in H, carried by  $H^1$  which is invariant under the infinitezimal translation

$$T_{\delta t} : u \mapsto T_{\delta t} u = u - A(u) \delta t$$

along the vector field A(u)  $(u \in H^1)$  in  $H^{-1}$ . A simple non rigorous computation leads easily to the equation

(1.1.3) 
$$\int \langle A(u), \phi'(u) \rangle d\mu(u) = 0$$

for an enough large class of adequate functionals  $\phi$  on H , where  $\phi'(u)$  denotes the Fréchet derivatives of  $\phi$ , while <.,.> denotes the duality between  $H^{-1}$  and  $H^{-1}$ . (For the rigourous definitions see n°2-4 below). Though probability measures on H which actually are stationary statistical solutions of (1.1.1-2) explicitly occur in [17], [31], and [32], their first rigourous and systematic study is (as far as we are aware) contained in [11]. The present paper continues this study, substantially improving parts of [11] and exhibiting new properties of these solutions, concerning their generation as ergodic means (§.3) and the structure of their supports (§§.4-5).

(announced in [15])
1.2. The main new results√of the paper are contained in §§.5-6, where we prove that for two-dimensional fluids (i.e. for n=2) all stationary statistical solutions are carried by the stationary individual solutions (settling thus a question raised, fourteen years ago, by G. Prodi [31]) and that "in general" the number of the latter ones is finite.

We also give some three-dimensional versions of these results which seem to redeem Leray's point of view on the occurence of turbulence.

1.3. The justification of the preceding statement as well as a discussion of the possible meaning and for the corresponding consequences, of our results for the theory of turbulence, will be given in §.7; this paragraph should also be considered as a postface to this paper.

# § 2. The framework.

2.1. Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded domain in  $R^n$  (n=2 or 3) with a  $C^2$ -boundary  $\partial\Omega$  and let H, rep.  $H^1$ , be the closure in  $(L^2(\Omega))^n$ , resp  $(H^1(\Omega))^n$ , of

$$H_0 = \left\{ v : v \in \left( C_0^{\infty} \left( \Omega \right) \right)^n, \text{ div } v = \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_j \vee_j = 0 \right\}.$$

The spaces H, resp. H1 are endowed with the scalar products

$$(\mathbf{u},\mathbf{v}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathbf{u}_{j} \mathbf{v}_{j} \right) d\mathbf{x}, \text{ resp. } ((\mathbf{u},\mathbf{v})) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \partial_{x} \mathbf{u}_{j} \cdot \partial_{y} \mathbf{v}_{j} \right) d\mathbf{x},$$

and the corresponding norms  $|u| = (u,u)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , resp.  $||u|| = ((u,u))^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Let A be the Friedrichs' extension of  $-\Delta |H_0$ . Then

(2.1.1) 
$$D_{A^{\pm}} - H^{1}$$
 and  $||u|| = |A^{\pm}u|$  ( $u \in D_{A^{\pm}}$ )

(2.1.2) 
$$D_A = H^1 \cap (H^2(\Omega))^n$$
 and  $c_1^{-1} \|u\|_{(H^2(\Omega))^n} \le \|Au\| \le c_1 \|u\|_{(H^2(\Omega))^n} \quad (u \in D_A).$ 

where  $D_{\square}$  represents the domain of the operator  $\square$  and  $c_{4}$  (as well as the different constants  $c_{j}$ ,  $c_{j}$ ,  $c_{j}$ , etc., occurring in the sequel) is a constant depending only on  $\Omega$ . The relation (2.1.1) is a direct consequence of the definition of  $H^{1}$  and  $\Lambda$ , while (2.1.2) results easily from the Cattabriga-Solonnikov-Vorovich-Yudovich theorem ([6], [40]; see [42],  $\S$  2.3).

By Rellich's lemma,  $A^{-1}$  is compact, hence there exists an orthonormal basis  $\{w_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  in H such that (2.1.3) Aw<sub>m</sub> =  $\sum_{m} w_m$  (m=1,2,...) and  $0 < \lambda_1 \le \lambda_2 \le \ldots$ . We have

(2.1.4). 
$$\lambda_m \geqslant c_2 m^{2/n} \quad (m = 1, 2, ...)$$

where as already stated above,  $c_2$  is a constant depending only on  $\Omega$ . This can be easily obtained by a method of Agmon (see [1], ), using (2.1.2); as sample, see [11], § 7, where the case n=2 is proved.

In the sequel  $P_m$  (m=1,2,...) will always denote the orthogonal projection of H onto the space spanned by  $w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_m$ .

2.2. For  $u,v,w \in H^1$  we set

$$(2.2.1) \quad b(u,v,w) = \int_{\Omega} \left( \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} u_{j} \cdot \partial_{j} v_{k} \right) dx$$

which is a bilinear continuous functional on H1 such that

$$(2.2.2)$$
  $b(u,v,w) = -b(u,w,v);$ 

this is readily verified, first on Ho.

Moreover we have the following useful inequalities

$$|b(u,v,w)| \leq c_3 \quad |A^{\alpha}u| \cdot |A^{\beta}v| \cdot |A^{\beta}w|$$

$$(for all \ u \in D_{A^{\alpha}}, \ v \in D_{A^{\beta}}, \ w \in D_{A^{\beta}})$$
where  $0 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta \leq 1$  and  $\alpha + \beta + \beta' = \frac{1}{4}$  in case  $n=3$ .
$$(and in this case the constant \ c_3 \ depends also on \ \epsilon).$$

Let us sketch the proof of (2.2.3) in case n=2. (For the analogous proof of (2.2.3) in case n=3, see [12], Chap.I ) To this aim we notice that by (2.1.1-2) and the Sobolev's embedding theorem  $H^1(\Omega) \subset L^q(\Omega)$  (for all  $l \leq q < \infty$ ), the maps  $u=(u_j)_{j=1}^2 \longmapsto u_j$ ,  $u \mapsto \partial_{\kappa} u_j$  are continuous from

 $D_{A^{1/2}}$  (resp.  $D_{A}$ ) into  $L^{9}(\Omega)$ ; plainly they are also continuous from  $H = D_{A^{0}}$  (resp.  $D_{A^{1/2}}$ ) into  $L^{2}(\Omega)$ . Thus for

 $q \geqslant 2$ , we infer by interpolation (see [-24], ) that these maps are also continuous from  $D_A^{0/2}$  (resp.  $D_A^{1+0/2}$  into  $L^r$  ( $\Omega$ ) (for any  $0 \le \theta \le 1$ ) with  $r = r_{\Theta} = 2q$ . ( $2\theta + q - q \theta$ ): Therefore for  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\epsilon$  as in (2.2.3), taking  $q = 2 + \epsilon^{-1}$  we will have  $|b(u, v, w)| \le \sum_{j,k} ||u_k||_{L^{r_{2\alpha}}(\Omega)} ||\partial_k v_j||_{L^{r_{2\beta}-r}(\Omega)} ||w_j||_{L^{r_{2\beta}-r}(\Omega)} \le c_3 |A^{\alpha}u| \cdot |A^{\beta}v| \cdot |A^{\beta}v|$  for any  $u \in D_{A^{\alpha}}$ ,  $v \in D_{A^{\beta}}$ ,  $w \in D_{A^{\beta}}$ .

In the case n = 2 we can supplement (2.2.3) with the following

following 
$$\begin{cases} |b(u,v,w)| \leq c_{4} |A^{\alpha_{1}}u|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |A^{\alpha_{2}}u|^{\frac{1}{2}} |A^{\beta_{1}}v|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |A^{\beta_{2}}v|^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \cdot |A^{\gamma_{1}}w|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |A^{\gamma_{2}}w|^{\frac{1}{2}} & (\text{for all } u \in D_{A^{\alpha_{1}}} \cap D_{A^{\alpha_{2}}}) \\ v \in D_{A^{\beta_{1}}} \cap D_{A^{\beta_{2}}} \cdot w \in D_{A^{\gamma_{1}}} \cap D_{A^{\gamma_{2}}}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Where } \{\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\} = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}, 1 \leq \beta_{1}, \beta_{2} \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ \alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2} + \beta_{1} + \beta_{2} + \beta_{1} + \delta_{2} = 2 \text{ and } \\ \max \{\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\} = 1 \text{ in case } \beta_{1} + \beta_{2} = 1 \end{cases}$$

These inequalities result directly from the following well-known inequalities:

Inequalities:
$$\|u_{j}\|_{L^{4}(\Omega)} \leq 2^{1/4} |u|^{1/2} ||u||^{1/2} for u = (u_{j})_{j=1}^{2} \in H^{2},$$

$$\|\partial_{k} u_{j}\|_{L^{4}(\Omega)} \leq C_{5} ||u||^{1/2} |Au|^{1/2} for u = (u_{j})_{j=1}^{2} \in D_{A},$$

$$\|u_{j}\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \leq C_{6} ||u||^{1/2} ||Au||^{1/2} for u = (u_{j})_{j=1}^{2} \in D_{A};$$

for the first two, see [19] and [13], respectively, while for the last one see (2.1.2) and [1], §.13,

Moreover in case n=3, we can use instead of the last inequality the following

$$||u_j|| \le c_\delta |u|^{3/4} \cdot |Au|^{3/4} \quad \text{for} \quad u = (u_j)_{j=1}^3 \in D_A$$
 (see [1]. §.13 ), obtaining readily

Let  $H^{-1}$  be the dual of  $H^1$  and for  $\varphi \in H^{-1}$   $\alpha \in H^1$ let denote arphi(u) by  $\langle arphi, u 
angle$  . We embed H into H-1 through the identification  $\langle h, u \rangle = (h, u)$  (for  $h \in H$ ,  $u \in H^{-1}$ ). Plainly, the operator A can be extended by continuity to a continuous operator from  $H^1$  into  $H^{-1}$  (actually, onto). For  $u,v \in H^1$ , let  $B(u,v) \in H^{-1}$  be defined by

(2.2.6) 
$$\langle B(u,v),w \rangle = b(u,v,w)$$
 for all  $w \in H^1$ .

We remark that (2.2.3) (with the choice  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\beta = \frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\gamma = 0$ ) yields

(2.2.7) 
$$B(H^1, D_A) \subset H.$$

The precise form of the operator A(u) in (1.1.2) is

(2.3.1) 
$$A(u) = \nu Au + B(u,u) - f$$
  $(u \in D_A)$ 

where f is the orthogonal projection on H of the  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued function g occurring in (1.1.1). Plainly A(u) applies  $D_A$ into H and  $H^{4}$  into  $H^{-1}$ . In case we want to emphasize the dependence of A(u) on  $\gamma > 0$  and  $f \in H$ , we will write  $A(u; f, \gamma)$ instead of A(u).

We shall be concerned with the initial value problem (2.3.2)  $\frac{du}{dt} + A(u) = 0 \text{ for } t > 0 \text{ . } u(0) = u_0 \in H.$ 

By a solution (or an individual solution) of

(2.3.2) we mean a function u(t) from  $[0,\infty)$  to H which is weakly continuous at any  $t_0 \in [0,\infty)$  and strongly continuous from the right at any to  $t_0 \in [0,\infty) \setminus \mathcal{T}$  (where  $\mathcal{T} = (0,\infty)$  depends on the solution and meas  $\mathcal{T} = 0$ ), and which satisfies

(2.3.3)  $u(t) \in H^4$  a.e. on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $\int_0^t ||u(\tau)||^2 d\tau < \infty$   $(t \in [0, \infty)],$ 

(2.3.4)  $\frac{1}{2} |u(t)|^2 + \gamma \int_{t_0}^{t} |u(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2} |u(t_0)|^2 + \int_{t_0}^{t} (f, u(t)) dt$  (for all  $t \in (0, \infty)$  and  $t_0 \in [0, t] \setminus \mathcal{D}$ ),

(2.3.5)  $u(t) = u_0 + \int_0^t u'(t)dt$ ,  $u'(t) \in L^2(0,t;H^{-1})$  (+  $\epsilon(0,\infty)$ ),

(2.3.6)  $u^{k}(t) + A(u(t)) = 0$  a.e. on  $(0, \infty)$ .

where (2.3.5-6) are considered relations in  $H^{-1}$  (see [23] , Ch. I. § 6 and especially [12], §.II.1). It can be proved (as in [23], Chap.I, §.6 or [12], §.II.1) that for any  $u_0 \in H$  there exists at least one solution of (2.3.2). Moreover if the n=2, one easily verifies that this solution

is unique (see for instance [23], Chap.I, §.6).

A time-independent solution  $u(t)=u_0$  (or rather  $u_0$ ) is called a stationary (individual) solution; that is,  $u_0$  H is a stationary solution of (2.3.2) if  $u_0 \in H^1$  and  $A(u_0)=0$  (in  $H^{-1}$ ). Plainly

(2.2.2-3) yield

(2.3.7) 
$$||u_0|| \leq \bar{\lambda}_1^{1/2} \gamma^{-1} |f|$$
.

2.4. In order to define the stationary statistical solutions of (2.3.2) let us agree to call test functional any real function

nal  $\phi(u)$  on H enjoying the following properties: 1° For any  $u \in H^1$ , the Fréchet derivative  $\phi'(u)$ of  $\phi$ , taken in H along  $H^1$  exists (that is  $\frac{1}{|V|} |\phi(u+V) - \phi(u) - (\phi'(u), V)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } V \in H^1, |V| \rightarrow 0).$ 

 $2^{\circ}$   $\phi^{\bullet}(u) \in H^{2}$  for all  $u \in H^{1}$  and, as function from  $H^{1}$  into  $H^{2}$ ,  $\phi^{\bullet}$  is continuous and bounded.

Let now  $\mu$  denote a Borel probability measure on H such that

$$(2.4.1) \qquad \qquad \int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) < \infty$$

(where  $\|u\|$  is taken =  $\infty$  for  $u \in H \setminus H^1$ ). Then, for any test functional  $\phi$ , the function  $(2.4.2) \langle A(u), \phi'(u) \rangle = \nu ((u, \phi'(u))) + \langle B(u, u), \phi'(u) \rangle - (f, \phi'(u))$ 

is continuous on H and satisfies (by (2.2.3))  $|\langle A(u), \phi'(u) \rangle| \leq \nu \|u\| \cdot \|\phi'(u)\| + c_3 \|u\|^{1/2} \|A'^{1/2}u\|^{1/2} \|u\| \cdot \|\phi'(u)\| + \|f\| \cdot \|\phi'(u)\| \leq (\gamma \|u\| + c_3 \lambda_1^{1/4} \|u\|^2 + \lambda_1^{1/2} \|f\|) \sup_{v \in H^1} \|\phi'(v)\| \quad (\text{for all } u \in H^1),$ 

Thus by (2.4.1), the integral

makes sense. By definition a stationary statistical solution of (2.3.2) is any Borel probability measure  $\mu$  on H satisfying (2.4.1.) such that

(2.4.3) 
$$\int \langle A(u), \phi(u) \rangle d\mu(u) = 0$$

for any test functional # , and

(2.4.4) 
$$\int [x ||u||^2 - (f, u)] d\mu(u) \leq 0$$
 
$$\{ E_i \leq |u|^2 < E_j \}$$

for any  $0 \le E_1 \le E_2 \le \infty$  (see [11], § 6). The equation (2.4.3) is the rigorous form of the equation (1.1.3)

introduced in an heuristic manner in the  $\S$  1, while (2.6.4) is a strengtened energy inequality, which has the following direct consequences (see [11], §.6):

$$(2.4.5) \qquad \int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) \leq \nu^{-2} \lambda_i^{-1} |f|^2$$

where  $\operatorname{supp}\mu$  denotes the support of  $\mu$  (i.e. the smallest closed set F in H such that  $\mu(F)=1$ ).

2.5. In case n=2 , then, as already said above, the individual solution u(t) of (2.3.2) is uniquely determined by its initial data u(0) = u\_0; moreover it is easy to verify that, if S(t\_0) u\_0 denotes the value u(t\_0) at the time t\_0>0 of u(t), then S(t\_0) is a continuous map from H into H¹ (see for instance; [12] , §.III.2 ). We showed in [11] , §.6 that a Borel probability measure  $\mu$  on H is a stationary statistical solution of (2.3.2) if and only if it is invariant with respect to the functional flow  $\{S(t)\}_{t \geqslant 0}$ .

that is, if

(2.5.1) 
$$\begin{cases} \mu(S(t)^{-1}\omega) = \mu(\omega) \text{ for all } t \ge 0 \text{ and all} \\ \text{Borel subsets } \omega \text{ of H.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover any such  $\mu$  has its support compact in H<sup>1</sup> (see  $\mu$  (see  $\mu$  ); in particular one can prove that

- (2.5.2)  $\sup \mu \subset \{\|u\|\| \leq c_7 \, \gamma^{-1} \, \|f\| \cdot \exp \left(c_8 \, \gamma^{-8} \, \|f\|^4\right) \}$  where (as already stated in Sec. 2.1).  $c_{7-8}$  are some constants depending only on  $\Omega$ .
- 2.6. In case n=3, a similar functional flow might not exist; therefore in this case a more laborious discussion is necessary in order to clarify our definition of the stationary

statistical solutions.

Let us begin this discussion by agreeing to call <u>regular</u> on [0,T] (T>0) any individual solution u(t) such that  $u(t) \in C([0,T];H^1).$ 

One can verify that u(t) is regular on [0,T] if and only if  $u(t) \in [\infty] (0,T; H^1)$  and that if u(t) is regular on [0,T] then any individual solution of (2.3.2) with the same initial date as u(t) coincides with u(t) on [0,T] (see for instance [12] §.III.1).

we can define the map  $RS(t_0)$ , on the set  $D_{RS(t_0)}$  of those  $u_0 \in H^1$  for which there exists an individual solution u(t), regular on  $[o,t_0]$  such that  $u(0)=u_0$ , by  $RS(t_0)u_0=u(t_0)$ . One can also verify that  $D_{RS(t_0)}$  is an open subset of  $H^1$  such that

(2.6.1) 
$$\begin{cases} u_0 \in \mathcal{D}_{RS(t_0)} \text{ for } u_0 \in H^2 \text{ and} \\ t_0 = c_{10} v^3 \min \left\{ (v^- \lambda_1^{-1/2} |f|)^{-4}, ||u_0||^{-4} \right\} \end{cases}$$

and that RS(t<sub>0</sub>), as a map from  $D_{RS(t_0)}$ , endowed with the topology of H<sup>1</sup>, into H<sup>1</sup>, is continuous (see [32], or [12], §.III.1). Therefore for any Borel subset  $\omega$  of H the set

is also a Borel set in H. In [11], §.6 it was proved that if  $\mu$  is a Borel probability measure in H, the support of which is bounded in H<sup>1</sup>, then  $\mu$  is a stationary statistical solution of (2.3.2) if and only if

(2.6.2) 
$$\begin{cases} \mu(RS(t)\omega) = \mu(\omega) \text{ for all } t \ge 0 \text{ and} \\ \text{all Borel subsets } \omega \text{ of } H. \end{cases}$$

In this case  $\left\{ \mathrm{RS(t)} \right\}_{t\geqslant 0}$  defines on  $\mathrm{supp}\mu$  a functional

flow with respect to which  $\mu$  is invariant.

2.7. Let us denote by  $S(f; \mathbf{y})$ , resp.  $\mathcal{G}(f; \mathbf{y})$  the set of all stationary individual, resp. statistical, solutions of (2.3.2). In virtue of (2.3.7) it is plain that any Borel probability mesure carried by the set  $S(f; \mathbf{y})$  belongs to  $\mathcal{G}(f; \mathbf{y})$ . Also in virtue of the relation

$$(2.7.1) \qquad \gamma^2 A(u; f, \nu) = A(\gamma u; \gamma^2 f, \gamma \nu) \qquad (\gamma > 0)$$

it is plain that

(2.7.2) 
$$\gamma S(f; \nu) = S(\gamma^2 f, \gamma \nu) \quad (\gamma > 0).$$

Moreover, if for a Borel measure  $\bar{\mu}$  on H and  $\gamma > 0$  we denote by  $\bar{\mu} \circ \gamma^{-1}$  the measure :  $\omega \mapsto \bar{\mu}(\gamma^{-1}\omega)$  (for all Borel sets  $\omega \subset H$ ), then it follows readily that

(2.7.3) 
$$f(f;\nu) \circ \gamma^{-1} = f(\gamma^2 f, \gamma^2 \nu)$$
  $(\gamma > 0)$ .

In particular, we have

(2.7.4) 
$$f(f; v) = f(v^{-2}f; 1) \circ v^{-1}$$

## $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ 3. Generation of stationary statistical solutions

3.1. It is a classical fact that  $S(f; \nu) \neq \emptyset$  (see for instance [23], Ch. I,  $\S 6$ , ), so that  $S(f; \nu) \neq \emptyset$  too. Therefore the problem concerning the existence of stationary statistical solutions has to be replaced by that of their occurence; namely we shall show that stationary statistical solutions naturally occur in studying the asymptotic behaviour of any (non-stationary) individual solution. To this aim we shall agree on a precise meaning for a time average of an individual solution u(t) of (2.3.2).

Let & denote the space of all (real) functionals on H, weakly continuous on any (bounded) ball in H. Since (2.3.4) implies

(3.1.1) 
$$|u(t)|^2 \le e^{-\gamma \lambda_1 t} |u_0|^2 + \gamma^{-2} \lambda_1^2 |f|^2 \quad (t \in (0, \infty))$$
it results that

(3.1.2) 
$$\mathcal{M}_{t}(\phi) = \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} \phi(u(\tau))d\tau$$
  $(t \in (0,\infty))$ 

makes sense for any  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}$  . Using the fact that

$$K_0 = \{ u \in H : |u|^2 \le |u_0|^2 + \nu^{-2} \lambda_i^{-2} |f|^2 \}$$

endowed with the weak topology of H, is a separable compact space, we can infer that for any sequence of t's tending to  $\infty$  there exists a subsequence  $\{t_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  such that

(3.1.3) 
$$\lim m_{t,\cdot}(\phi) = m(\phi) \text{ exists}$$
 for any  $\phi \in C$ , or what is the same, for every  $\phi \in C(K_0)$ 

( = the space of all continuous real functions on  $K_0$ ). Therefore, by the Riesz-Kakutani representation theorem we obtain a Borel probability measure  $\mu$  on  $K_0$  such that (3.1.4)  $\mathcal{M}(\phi) = \int_{K_0} \phi d\mu \qquad (\phi \in \mathcal{C}).$ 

But a subset  $K \subset K_0$  is a Borel set in  $K_0$  if and only if it is a Borel set in H (endowed with its norm topology). Thus we can consider that  $\mu$  is a Borel probability measure on H with supp  $\mu$   $\subset$   $K_0$ . Any such measure will be called a time average of the individual solution u(t).

3.2. Theorem. Any time average of an individual solution is a stationary statistical solution.

<u>Proof.</u> Ad (2.4.1). Set  $\phi(u) = \|P_m u\|^2$  (where  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ ; see Sec. 2.1). Then  $\phi \in \mathcal{C}$ , thus

$$\int ||P_m u||^2 d\mu(u) = \lim_{t_j \to \infty} \frac{1}{t_j} \int_0^{t_j} ||P_m u(\tau)||^2 d\tau$$

for a suitable sequence  $\{t_{\hat{j}}\}_{\hat{j}=j}^{\infty}$  , tending to . From

(2.3.4) we infer easily

(3.2.1) 
$$\int_{0}^{t_{f}} \|P_{m}u(t)\|^{2} dt \leq \int_{0}^{t_{f}} \|u(t)\|^{2} d$$

whence

$$\int \|P_m u\|^2 d\mu(u) \leq \nu^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2 \qquad (m=1,2,\dots).$$

Letting m  $\rightarrow \infty$ , we can apply B. Levi's convergence theorem, since  $\|P_m u\|^2 / \|u\|^2$ , obtaining (3.2.2)  $\int \|u\|^2 d\mu(u) \leq v^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2.$ 

Ad (2.4.3). Let  $\phi$  be a test functional and for

some 
$$k, m(=1,2,...)$$
, set  $\psi(u) = \phi(P_m u)$  and 
$$b(u) = b(P_k u, P_k u, \psi(u)) \qquad (u \in H).$$

Then the functional

$$\mathcal{O}(u) = \nu \left( (u, \psi'(u)) + b(u) - (f, \psi'(u)) \right)$$
 belongs to  $\mathcal{C}$  , thus

(3.2.3) 
$$\int \mathcal{O}(u)d\mu(u) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t_j} \int \mathcal{O}(u(t))dt$$
.

It is easy to verify that, since  $P_m$  is a linear continuous map from  $H^{-1}$  into  $H^{\mathbf{i}}$ , the function  $\mathscr{V}(u(t))$  is absolutely continuous on any compact interval of  $[0,\infty)$  and

$$\frac{d}{dt} \psi(u(t)) + \langle A(u(t)), \psi(u(t)) \rangle = 0$$
 a.e. on  $(0, \infty)$ ,

so that

(3.24) 
$$\frac{1}{t_{i}} \int_{0}^{t_{i}} \langle A(u(\tau)), \psi'(u(\tau)) \rangle d\tau = \frac{\psi(u_{0}) - \psi(u(t_{i}))}{t_{i}} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Or, by (2.2.2-3), we obtain

(3.2.5)  $|\langle A(u), \psi'(u) \rangle - \mathcal{D}(u)| = |b(u_{1}u, \psi'(u)) - b(u)| \leq$ 

$$\leq |b(P_{k}u, \psi'(u), u - P_{k}u)| + |b(u - P_{k}u, \psi'(u), u)| \leq$$

$$\leq 2 \left(\sup_{v \in H^{1}} |A^{34}\psi'(v)|\right) c_{3} ||u|| |u - P_{k}u| \leq 2c_{3} \lambda_{m}^{1/4} \left(\sup_{v \in H^{1}} |\psi'(v)|\right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\cdot \|u\| \|(I-P_{k})u\| \leq 2c_{3}' \, \lambda_{m}^{1/4} \, \lambda_{k+1}^{-1/2} \, \|u\| - \|(I-P_{k})u\| \leq \\ &\leq 2c_{3}' \, \lambda_{m}^{1/4} \, \lambda_{k+1}^{-1/2} \, \|u\|^{2} \quad (u \in H^{2}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_3$  is a constant depending on  $\Omega$  and also on  $\emptyset$  . The relations (3.2.3-5) yield

$$\begin{split} \left| \int \langle A(u), \psi'(u) \rangle d\mu(u) \right| &\leq 2 c_3^{\prime} \lambda_{m}^{1/4} \lambda_{k+1}^{-1/2} \int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) + \\ &+ \left| \lim_{t_{j} \to \infty} \frac{1}{t_{j}} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} \Theta(u(t)) d\tau \right| \leq \\ &\leq 2 c_3^{\prime} \lambda_{m}^{\prime\prime\prime} \lambda_{k+1}^{-1/2} \left[ \int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) + \lim_{t_{j} \to \infty} \frac{1}{t_{j}} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} ||u||^2 d\tau \right], \end{split}$$

so that, by (3.2.1-2) we obtain

$$\left| \int \langle A(u), \psi'(u) \rangle d\mu(u) \right| \leq \frac{4c_1^2 \lambda_m^{1/4} |f|^2}{v^2 \lambda_1} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_{k+1}^{1/2}} \to 0$$

for  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . It results

$$\int \langle A(u), P_m \phi'_{\square}(P_m u) \rangle d\mu(u) = 0.$$

Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  and using (2.4.1-2), the property 2°, in Sec. 2.4, of  $\phi$  and Lebesgue's dominated convergence we obtain (2.4.3).

Ad (2.4.4). Let  $\varphi$  (5 ) be a non-decreasing twice continuously differentiable bounded function on  $[0,\infty)$ . Let

 $t_{jo} = 0 < t_{ji} < - \cdot \cdot < t_{jkj} = t_{j}$  be such that the  $t_{jk}$  's do not belong to the exceptional set in (2.3.4). We have

$$\varphi(|u(t_{j})|^{2}) - \varphi(|u_{0}|^{2}) = \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \left[\varphi(|u(t_{j,k+1})|^{2}) - \varphi(|u(t_{j,k})|^{2})\right] = \\
= \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \varphi'((I-\theta_{jk})|u(t_{jk})|^{2} + \theta_{jk}|u(t_{j,k+1})|^{2}) \left[|u(t_{j,k+1})|^{2} - |u(t_{jk})|^{2}\right] \leq \\
\leq \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \varphi'(--) \int_{jk}^{t_{j,k+1}} 2\left[(f,u(t)) - \nu||u(t)||^{2}\right] dt \longrightarrow \\
= \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \varphi'(--) \int_{jk}^{t_{j,k+1}} 2\left[(f,u(t)) - \nu||u(t)||^{2}\right] dt \longrightarrow \\
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= \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \varphi'(--) \int_{jk}^{t_{j,k+1}} 2\left[(f,u(t)) - \nu||u(t)||^{2}\right] dt \longrightarrow \\
= \sum_{k=0}^{k_{0}-1} \varphi'(--) \int_{jk}^{t_{j,k+1}} 2\left[(f,u(t)) - \nu||u(t)||^{$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \int_{0}^{t_{j}} q'(|u(\tau)|^{2}) I(f, u(\tau)) - \nu ||u(\tau)||^{2} d\tau$$

as  $\max_{k} (t_{j,k+1} - t_{jk}) \rightarrow 0$ , because  $|u(t)|^2$  is

continuous from the right in any point outside the exceptional set in (2.3.4). (Here above  $0 < \frac{6}{5}k < 1$ ,  $k = 0, 1, ..., k_1 - 1$ , are suitably chosen.) We can thus infer that

$$(3.2.6) \lim_{t_{j}\to\infty} \frac{1}{t_{j}} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} \varphi'(|u(\tau)|^{2}) [f, u(\tau)] - \nu || Ru(\tau) ||^{2}] d\tau >$$

$$\geq \lim_{t_{j}\to\infty} \frac{1}{t_{j}} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} \varphi'(|u(\tau)|^{2}) [f, u(\tau)] - \nu ||u(\tau)||^{2}] d\tau \geq 0$$

for any k = 1, 2, ... Let us suppose moreover that  $\varphi''(\sigma)$  is bounded on  $[\sigma, \infty)$ . Then for a fixed  $\ell(=1, 2, ...)$  we will have

(3.2.7) 
$$\left|\frac{1}{t_{j}}\int_{0}^{t_{j}} [\varphi'(|u(\tau)|^{2}) - \varphi'(|P_{e}u(\tau)|^{2})] \cdot [(f, u(\tau)) - V||P_{e}u(\tau)||^{2}] d\tau \le c(1+\lambda_{k}) \frac{1}{t_{j}}\int_{0}^{t_{j}} |(I-P_{e})u(\tau)|^{2} d\tau = c(1+\lambda_{k}) \frac{1}{t_{j}} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} |(I-P_{e})u(\tau)|^{2} d\tau = c(1+\lambda_{k}$$

where (see (3..1)) the constant C depends on  $Q.f.\nu$  and  $\varphi''$ , but not on  $\ell.k$  or j. For p=1,2,... let denote by  $d_{j,p}$  the set of those  $t \in [0, t_j]$  for which  $u(t) \in \mathcal{B}_p = \{u \in \mathcal{H}^L : ||u|| \le p\}$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_{p,\ell} = \sup\{|(I-P_\ell)u|^2 : u \in \mathcal{B}_p\}$ 

Then 
$$\mathcal{E}_{p,\ell} \longrightarrow 0$$
 for  $\ell \longrightarrow \infty$  and, by (3.1.1) and (3.2.1) we get

$$(3.2.8) \quad \text{T}_{j,\ell} \leq \varepsilon_{p,\ell} + c' \frac{1}{t_j} \quad \text{meas} \left( [o,t_j] \land d_{j,p} \right) \leq$$

$$\leq \varepsilon_{p,\ell} + c' \frac{1}{p^2} \quad \text{t}_j \quad \int ||u(\tau)||^2 d\tau \leq$$

$$\leq \varepsilon_{p,\ell} + \frac{c''}{p^2}$$

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where c'-c" are some constants independent of j,k, $\ell$ ,p. In virtue of (3.2.6-8) we have

(3.2.9) 
$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \int_{0}^{t_{j}} \varphi'(|P_{\ell}u(t)|^{2}) [(f, u(t)) - \nu ||P_{k}u(t)||^{2}] dt \ge 1$$
  
 $\geq -c(1+\lambda_{k}) \lim_{t\to\infty} T_{j,\ell} \geq -c(1+\lambda_{k}) (\varepsilon_{p,\ell} + \frac{c''}{p^{2}}).$ 

But  $\varphi'(l_{\ell}^{p}ul^{2}) \int_{0}^{\infty} (f,u) - v \| P_{k}u \|^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} belongs to C$ , thus (3.2.9) yields

$$\int \varphi'(|P_{t}u|^{2}) [f,u) - \nu ||P_{t}u||^{2}] d\mu(u) \ge$$

$$\ge - c(1+\lambda_{k}) (\varepsilon_{p,\ell} + c''p^{-2}).$$

Letting first  $\ell\!\to\!\infty$  , secondly p  $\to\!\infty$  and finally  $k\to\!\infty$  we obtain

(3.2.10) 
$$\int \varphi'(|u|^2) [(f,u) - \nu ||u||^2] d\mu(u) \ge 0.$$

In (3.2.10),  $\varphi$  is any non-decreasing twice continuously differentiable function on  $[0, \infty)$  such that

Consequently (3.2.10) will remain valid also in case  $\varphi'$  is any non-negative continuous function with compact support in  $\Gamma$ 0.  $\infty$ ); we can therefore easily infer (2.4.4) from (3.2.10). This achives the proof of the theorem.

3.3. For any set  $\omega \subset H$  let denote by  $\omega(t_0)$   $(t_0 \geqslant 0)$  the set of all values  $u(t_0)$  of all solutions u(t) which have their initial date  $u_0$  in  $\omega$ . It can be shown that whenever  $\omega$  is a Borel subset of H, the set  $\omega(t_0)$  is measurable with respect to any Borel measure on H (see [12], § II.2). This allows us to make the following definition: A Borel probability measure  $\mu$  on H will be called accretive if

(3.3.1) 
$$\mu(\omega(t)) \geqslant \mu(\omega)$$
 (for all  $t \geqslant 0$  and Borel sets  $\omega \subset \mathcal{H}$ .)

Since for any set  $\omega \subset H$  we have

(3.3.2) 
$$\omega(t_1)(t_2) \subset \omega(t_1+t_2)$$
  $(t_1,t_2 \ge 0)$ 

it results easily that if  $\mu$  is accretive then actually  $\mu$  ( $\omega$  (t)) is a nondecreasing function of t  $\in$  [o,  $\infty$ ), for any Borel subset  $\omega$  of H.

In case n = 2 (see Sec. 2.5), then any statishary statistical solution is accretive, since

$$\mu(\omega(t)) = \mu(s(t)\omega) = \mu(s(t)^{-1}(s(t)\omega)) \ge \mu(\omega)$$

for any  $t \ge 0$  and Borel set  $\omega \subset H$ .

3.4. Theorem. Any time average of an individual solution is accretive.

<u>Proof.</u> Let u(t) be an individual solution,  $t_o > 0$  and K a bounded subset of H, closed in  $H^{-1}$ . For  $u \in H$  and t > 0 let  $d_t(u)$  denote the distance in  $H^{-1}$  from u(t) to K(t); for fixed t,  $d_t(u)$  is continuous in the topology induced on H by  $H^{-1}$ , thus weakly continuous on the bounded sets of H. Moreover for every  $p = 1, 2, \ldots$ , there exists a  $q = 1, 2, \ldots$  such that

(3.4.1) 
$$d_{t_0}(u(t+t_0)) \le \frac{1}{p^2}$$
 whenever  $d_0(u(t)) \le \frac{1}{9}$  and  $t \ge 0$ .

(The proof of this fact will be given in the next section.) Thus if we set

$$\varphi(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } & d_0(u) \ge \frac{1}{q} \\ q d_0(u) & \text{if } & d_0(u) < \frac{1}{q} \end{cases}, \ \psi(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d_1(u) \ge \frac{1}{p} \\ p d_1(u) & \text{if } d_1(u) < \frac{1}{p}, \end{cases}$$

then

(3.4.2) 
$$\psi(u(t+t_0)) > \frac{1}{\beta}$$
 implies  $\psi(u(t)) > 1$  (for any  $t \ge 0$ )

But  $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{C}$ ; therefore, for a suitable sequence  $\{t_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  converging to  $\infty$ , we have

$$\int \psi(u)d\mu(u) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \int \psi(u(t))dt = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \int \psi(u(t+t_0))dt$$

and

$$\int \varphi(u)d\mu(u) = \lim_{j\to\infty} \frac{1}{t_j} \int \varphi(u(t))dt$$

where, in virtue of (3.4.2)

$$\frac{1}{t_j} \int_0^{t_j} \psi(u(t+t_0))dt \leq \frac{meas\{t \in [0,t_j]: \psi(u(t+t_0)) > 1/p\}}{t_j}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&+\frac{1}{p} \leq \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{t_j} \cdot meas\{t \in I_0, t_j, J; \varphi(u(t)) > 1\} \leq \\
&\leq \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{t_j} \int_0^{t_j} \varphi(u(t)) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

We can conclude that

$$\int \gamma(u)d\mu(u) \leq \frac{1}{F} + \int \gamma(u)d\mu(u) \leq \frac{1}{F} + \mu(H \setminus K).$$

Letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  we finally obtain

Let  $\omega$  be any Borel subset of H. Then there exists a sequence  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$ , .. of bounded subsets of H. closed in  $H^{-1}$  such that  $\mu$  ( $\omega$ \  $\mathcal{O}_{j=/}$   $K_j$ ) = 0, because  $\mu$  regarded, as Borel measure on  $H^{-1}$ , is regular (see [8], Chap.III, §.9); consequently

 $\mu(\omega) = \lim_{j \to \infty} \mu(K_j) \leq \lim_{j \to \infty} \mu(K_j(t_0)) \leq \mu(\omega(t_0)),$  where we used the obvious property  $K_j(t_0) \leq \omega(t_0)$  (j = 1, 2, ...). This achives the proof of the theorem.

3.5. Proof of (3.4.1). Suppose that the property (3.4.1) does not hold. Then there exist  $t_k \in [0, \infty)(k=1,2...)$  such that (3.5.1)  $d_t(u(t_k+t_0)) > \frac{1}{p}$  and  $d_t(u(t_k)) \to 0$  for  $k \to \infty$ ; since  $d_t(u(t+t_0))$  and  $d_t(u(t))$  are continuous (because  $d_t(u(t))$  is weakly continuous in H), we can suppose that u(t) is

strongly continuous from the right at each  $t_k(k=1,2,...)$ . Therefore if  $v_k(t) = u(t+t_k)$  for  $t \in L_0, \infty$  ) then  $v_k(t)$  is an individual solution of (2.3.2) for any k=1,2,...Therefore, by (3.1.1) and (3.2.1), we have

$$(3.5.2) \begin{cases} |v_{k}(t)| \leq \rho = (|u_{0}|^{2} + \nu^{-2} \lambda_{1}^{-2} |f|^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} & (t \geq 0), \\ t \\ \int ||v_{k}(\tau)||^{2} d\tau \leq \nu^{-1} \rho + \nu^{-2} \lambda_{1}^{-1} |f|^{2} t & (t \geq 0), \end{cases}$$

for any k=1,2,... Moreover for  $0 \le t_1 \le t_2 < \infty$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|v_{k}(t_{2})-v_{k}(t_{1})\|_{H^{-1}} \leq \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}\|v_{k}'(t)\|_{H^{-1}}dt = \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}\|A(v_{k}(t))\|_{H^{-1}}dt \leq \\ &\leq \nu \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}\|v_{k}(t)\|dt + c_{3}\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}|v_{k}(t)|^{\frac{t_{2}}{2}}\|v_{k}(t)\|^{\frac{3}{2}}dt + \\ &+ \lambda_{1}^{\frac{t_{2}}{2}}\|f\|(t_{2}-t_{1}) \leq \nu (t_{2}-t_{1})^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{1}}\|v_{k}(t)\|^{\frac{2}{2}}dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \\ &+ c_{3}\rho^{\frac{t_{2}}{2}}(t_{2}-t_{1})^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{1}}|v_{k}(t)|^{\frac{2}{2}}dt\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \lambda_{1}^{\frac{1}{2}}\|f\|(t_{2}-t_{1}), \end{aligned}$$

from which we can infer that  $v_k(t)(k=1,2,...)$  are equicontinuous (on any compact interval  $\subset$   $\Gamma$ 0, $\infty$  )) as  $H^{-1}$ -valued functions. Since  $\{u \in H: |u| \leq \rho\}$  is compact in  $\mathrm{H}^{-2}$  , the Arzela-Ascoli theorem allows us to select a subsequence  $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} v_{kj} & \text{(t)} \\ k_i < k_2 < \cdots \end{array} \right\}$  converging in H<sup>-1</sup>. uniformly on every compact interval  $\subset [0, \infty)$ . Let  $v(t) = (0, \infty)$ =  $\lim_{j\to\infty} v_{kj}$  (t) for  $t \ge 0$ , where the limit is taken in H<sup>-1</sup>. Since on bounded subsets of  $H_{j}$  the strong topology of  $H^{-1}$  and the weak topology of H coincide, v(t) is an H-valued weakly continuous function on  $[0,\infty)$ . Moreover in virtue of (3.5.2) we can also suppose that  $\{v_k\}$  (t) $\}_k$  is weakly convergent in  $L^2(0,t;H^{\perp})$  for all t>0. Using these properties we can infer now, as in the proofs of the existence of individual solutions (see [23].Ch.I. § 6 and [12].§.II.2), that v(t) is an individual solution of (2.3.2).

Since  $v_k(0) = u(t_k)$  and  $d_0(u(t_k)) \rightarrow 0$ , it results  $v(0) \in K$ . Therefore  $v(t_0) \in K(t_0)$ . Consequently, because  $v_k(t_0) \rightarrow v(t_0)$  in  $H^{-1}$ , we obtain (see (3.5.1))

$$\frac{1}{p} \leq d_{t_0}(u(t_{k_j} + t_0)) = d_{t_0}(v_{k_j}(t_0)) \leq ||v_{k_j}(t_0) - v(t_0)||_{H^{-1}} \rightarrow 0,$$

that is, a contradiction.

This concludes our proof.

3.6. Let n = 3 and define  $t(u_0)$  by

(3.6.1) 
$$t(u_0) = \begin{cases} \sup\{t_0: u_0 \in D_{RS(t_0)}\} & \text{if } u_0 \in H^1, \\ 0 & \text{if } u_0 \in H \setminus H^1. \end{cases}$$

Then (see Sec. 2.6), t(u) is a Borel function on H, since  $\{u: t(u) > t_0\} = D_{RS(t_0)}$  is open in  $H^1$  (for any  $t_0 > 0$ )

and thus a Borel set in H.

3.7. Proposition. Let  $\mu$  be an accretive Borel probability on H. Then

(3.7.1) either 
$$\int \frac{1}{t(u)} d\mu(u) = \infty$$
 or  $\int \frac{1}{t(u)} d\mu(u) = 0$ .

In the last case,  $\mu$  is invariant with respect to  $\{RS(t)\}_{t\geqslant 0}$ .

Proof. Let us suppose that

$$(3.7.2) \qquad I = \int \frac{1}{t(u)} d\mu(u) < \infty$$

and let  $t_0$  be fixed,  $t_0 > 0$ . It is clear that

$$I = \lim_{k \to \infty} \sum_{j=k+l}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(j-k)t_0} \mu\left(\left\{u \in H: \frac{j-k-1}{k} t_0 < t(u) \leq \frac{j-k}{k} t_0\right\}\right)$$

and that, for j>k+1,

$$\left\{u\in H: \frac{j-1}{k} t_o < t(u) \leq \frac{j}{k} t_o\right\} (t_o) \subset \left\{u\in H: \frac{j-k-1}{k} t_o < t(u) \leq \frac{j-k}{k} t_o\right\}.$$

Therefore, by the fact that  $\,\mu\,$  is accretive, we obtain

$$\begin{split} \underline{T}_k &= \sum_{j=k+l}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(j-k)t_0} \, \mu\left(\{u \in H : \frac{j-l}{k} t_0 < t(u) \leq \frac{j}{k} t_0\}\right) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{j=k+l}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(j-k)t_0} \, \mu\left(\{u \in H : \frac{j-k-l}{k} t_0 < t(u) \leq \frac{j-k}{k} t_0\}\right), \end{split}$$

whence  $(3.7.3) \qquad \int [t(u) - t_o]^{-1} d\mu(u) = \lim_{k \to \infty} I_k \leq I.$ 

{u∈H: t(u)>to}

Integrating (3.7.3) with respect to  $t_0 \in [0,T]$  , we obtain, by the Fubini theorem,

$$TI = \int \left\{ \int_{0}^{T} [t(u) - t_{0}]^{-1} \chi_{\{v \in H: t(v) > t_{0}\}}(u) dt_{0} \right\} d\mu(u) =$$

$$= \int \left\{ \int_{0}^{min\{T, t(u)\}} [t(u) - t_{0}]^{-1} dt_{0} \right\} d\mu(u) =$$

$$= \int \left\{ \int_{0}^{T} [t(u) - t_{0}]^{-1} dt_{0} \right\} d\mu(u) + \int_{0}^{\infty} d\mu(u) =$$

$$= \int \left[ log \frac{t(u)}{t(u) - T} \right] d\mu(u) + \int_{0}^{\infty} d\mu(u) + \int_{0}^{\infty} d\mu(u) + \int_{0}^{\infty} d\mu(u) = T \right\}$$

which plainly implies that  $\mu(\{u \in H: t(u) \leq T\})=0$ . It results readily that  $t(u)=\infty, \mu$ -a.e.; plainly, the last conclusion is equivalent to the second alternative in (3.7.1).

In order to prove the second statement, let  $\omega$  be a Borel subset of H and let  $\omega_o = \mathrm{RS}(\mathsf{t}_o)^{-1}\omega$ , where  $\mathsf{t}_o > 0$ .

Then

(3.7.4) 
$$\mu(\omega) \geqslant \mu(RS(t_0)\omega_0) = \mu(\omega_0(t)) \geqslant \mu(\omega_0) = \mu(RS(t_0)^{-1}\omega)$$

and analogously

(3.7.5) 
$$\mu(H\setminus\omega) \geq \mu(RS(t_0)^{-1}(H\setminus\omega)).$$

Since

$$H \setminus \{ [RS(t_0)^{-1}\omega] \cup [RS(t_0)^{-1}(H \setminus \omega)] \} = H \setminus D_{RS(t_0)}$$

is of null  $\mu$ -measure, (3.7.4-5) imply that

(3.7.6) 
$$\mu(\omega) = \mu(RS(t_0)^{-1}\omega).$$

Because in (3.7.6),  $t_0 > 0$  and the Borel set  $\omega \subset H$  are arbitrary, we have thus proved that  $\mu$  is invariant with respect to  $\{\mathcal{RS}(t)\}_{t>0}$ .

Remark . In virtue of (2.6.1), the second alternative in (3.7.1) will occur whenever

$$(3.7.7) \qquad \int ||u||^4 d\mu(u) < \infty.$$

This fact was essentially already known by G. Prodi long time ago (see [33] ).

3.8. Let  $X \subset H$  (or  $X \subset H^1$ ) be given. An individual solution u(t) is weakly, resp. strongly, asymtotically convergent in H (or in  $H^1$ ) to X if

(3.8.1) 
$$\lim_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\int_0^t\chi_G(u(\tau))\ d\tau=1$$

for every neighbourhood G of X , in the weak, resp. strong topology of H (resp.  $\mathrm{H}^1$ ) .

The set X = H will be called an asymptotic attractor if

- (a) X is weakly closed in H;
- $(\alpha\alpha)$  there exists a weak neighbourhood  $V_X$  of X in H such that any individual solution u(t) starting from  $V_X$  (i.e. such that  $u(0) \in V_X$ ) weakly asymptotically converges in H to X;
  - $(\alpha\alpha\alpha)$  if Y = X satisfies the properties ( $\alpha$ ) and ( $\alpha\alpha$ ), then Y = X.
- 3.9. Theorem. Every asymptotic attractor is the weak closure of the support of an accretive stationary statistical solution.

Proof. Since any individual solution u(t) satisfies

(3.9.1) 
$$\overline{\lim}_{t\to\infty} |u(t)| \leq \frac{|f|}{v\lambda_1},$$

the set  $Y = X \cap \{u \in H : |u| < v^{-1} \lambda_1^{-1} |f| \}$  will also enjoy  $(\alpha)$ ,  $(\alpha\alpha)$ . Thus by  $(\alpha\alpha\alpha)$  we must have Y = X, i.e.

(3.9.2) 
$$X \subset \{u \in H : |u| \leq v^{-1} \lambda_1^{-1} |f| \}$$
.

Let  $K = \{u \in H : |u| \le v^{-1} \lambda_1^{-1} |f| + 1\}$ . K is a compact metrizable space in H endowed with its weak topology, thus there exists a countable system  $\{G_1, G_2, \ldots, G_p, \ldots\}$  of weakly open sets in H such that  $G_1 \cap K$ ,  $G_2 \cap K$ , ...,  $G_p \cap K$ , ... form a basis for the (weak) topology of K. Let us assume that for a fixed  $G_1$ , we have

(3.9.3) 
$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t X_{G_j}(u(\tau)) d\tau = 0$$

for any individual solution u(t). Then it is plain that  $X \cdot G_j$  will enjoy  $(\alpha)$  and  $(\alpha\alpha)$ ; with  $V_{X \cdot G_j} = V_X$ , thus, by  $(\alpha\alpha\alpha)$ ,  $X \cdot G_j = X$ , i.e.  $G_j \cap X = \emptyset$ . Therefore for every  ${}^j G_j$  such that  $G_j \cap X \neq \emptyset$  there exists an individual

solution u<sub>j</sub>(t) satisfying

(3.9.4) 
$$\frac{\lim_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\int_0^t \chi_{G_j} \wedge V_X^{(u_j(\tau))} d\tau > 0;$$

in virtue of (3.9.1) the  $\overline{\text{lim}}$  in (3.9.4) will remain unchange if we replace  $G_j$  by  $G_i \cap K$ . Thus we can infer that

(3.9.5) 
$$\lim_{p \to \infty} \frac{1}{t_{ip}} \int_{0}^{t_{jp}} \chi_{G_{j}} \cap V_{X} \cap K^{(u_{j}(\tau))} d\tau = \chi_{j} > 0$$

for an adequate sequence t. < t. < ...  $\rightarrow \infty$  . By n°3.1-5 we can even assume that

(3.9.6) 
$$\lim_{p\to\infty} \frac{1}{t_{jp}} \int_{0}^{t_{jp}} \phi(u_{j}(\tau)) d\tau = \int \phi(u) d\mu_{j}(u)$$

for every real (functional  $\phi$  (weakly) continuous on K, where  $\mu_j$  is an accretive stationary statistical solution. Since individual solutions are (weakly) continuous, it is plain that (replacing, if necessary,  $u_j(t)$  by an adequate time translation  $u_j(t+t_{oj})$ ) we can assume  $u_j(0) \in V_X$ . Let now  $\phi$  be any (weakly) continuous functional on K such that  $0 \le \phi \le 1$ ,  $\phi(u) = 1$  in a (weak) neighbourhood  $G \cap K$  of X in K. Then by (3.8.1), (3.9.1) and (3.9.6) we have

$$\int \phi \ d\mu_{\mathbf{j}} = \lim_{\mathbf{p} \to \infty} \frac{1}{\mathsf{t}_{\mathbf{j}\mathbf{p}}} \int_{\mathbf{0}}^{\mathsf{t}_{\mathbf{j}\mathbf{p}}} \phi(\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{j}}(\tau)) \ d\tau > \lim_{\mathbf{p} \to \infty} \frac{1}{\mathsf{t}_{\mathbf{j}\mathbf{p}}} \int_{\mathbf{0}}^{\mathsf{t}_{\mathbf{j}\mathbf{p}}} \chi_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{j}}(\tau)) \ d\tau = 1 .$$

In this manner

$$(3.9.7) \qquad \qquad \int \phi \ d\mu_{\mathbf{j}} \, \geqslant \, 1$$

for any (weakly) continuous functional  $\phi$  on K,  $0 < \phi < 1$ ,  $\phi = 1$  in a (weak) neighbourhood of X in K. This implies obviously that  $\mu_j(X) = 1$ . Since X is weakly closed, it is also strongly closed, thus we can infer that

(3.9.8) supp 
$$\mu_i \subset X$$
.

We will prove now that

(3.9.9) (supp 
$$\mu_i$$
)  $\cap$   $H_i \neq \emptyset$ 

where H, denotes the (weak) closure of  $G_j \cap K$ . (Recall that we are considering the case  $G_j \cap X \neq \emptyset$ !)

Indeed let  $\psi_j$  be a functional as is  $\phi$  in (3.9.7) but with X replaced by H. in its definition. Then as above we will infer from (3.9.5) (instead of (3.8.1)), (3.9.1) and (3.9.6) that

$$(3.9.10) \qquad \int \psi_{\mathbf{j}} \ d\mu_{\mathbf{j}} \geq x_{\mathbf{j}} .$$

Again, since  $\psi_{\mathbf{j}}$  , up to its designed properties, is arbitrary, from (3.9.10) it follows readily that

$$\mu_{\mathbf{j}}^{(\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{j}})} \gg \alpha_{\mathbf{j}}$$
,

whence also (3.9.9). Let us set

(3.9.11) 
$$\mu = \sum_{G_{j} \cap X \neq \emptyset} \epsilon_{j} \mu_{j} \text{ with } \sum_{G_{j} \cap X \neq \emptyset} \epsilon_{j} = 1, \epsilon_{j} > 0 \text{ (for } G_{j} \cap X \neq \emptyset)$$

It is plain that  $\mu$  is an accretive stationary statistical solution, which by (3.9.8), satisfies supp  $\mu \subset X$ . On the other hand (3.9.9) shows that

(supp 
$$\mu$$
)  $\bigcap$   $H_j \neq \emptyset$  for any  $j$  such that  $G_j \cap X \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $\{H_j \cap X : G_j \cap X \neq \emptyset\}$  is a basis for the (weak) topology of X it results that supp  $\mu$  is weakly dense in X. This achieves the proof.

3.10. Corollary. Any asymptotic attractor bounded in  $H^1$  is the support of an invariant stationary statistical solution; in case n=2, any asymptotic attractor is bounded in  $H^1$ .

<u>Proof.</u> If X is an asymptotic attractor, bounded in  $H^1$ , then (with the notations of n° 3.9) supp  $\mu$  will be bounded in  $H^1$ . In case n=2, even without any supplementary assumption on X, supp  $\mu$  will be bounded in  $H^1$  (see n° 2.5). Thus in both cases, supp  $\mu$  is compact in H, thus also a compact subset of K endowed with the weak topology of H. In particular this implies that supp  $\mu$  is weakly cloded thus, by the preceding theorem, supp  $\mu$  = X.

### \$4. Analytic properties

4.1. In order to unify the notation we shall set, in case n = 2,  $t(u_0) = \infty$  and  $RS(t)u_0 = S(t)u_0$  for all  $u_0 \in H^1$  and  $t \gg 0$ ; this is justified by the fact that in this case  $S(t)u_0 \in$  $\in C([0,\infty); H^1).$ 

Thus we can state our next results in an unified manner, for both cases n = 2 and n = 3.

4.2. Lemma. For  $u_0 \in H^1$  let

$$(4.2.1) \quad t_0(u_0) = y^3 \text{ min } \left\{ \left( y^{-1} \lambda_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \mid f \mid \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}, \left\| u_0 \right\|^{-\frac{4}{3}} \right\} \text{ (see (2.6.1))}$$

There exists a constant  $c_{11}$  such that  $t(u_0) \geqslant c_{11}$   $t_0(u_0)$ .

 $RS(t)u_0$  is analytic on  $(0,c_{11}t_0(u_0)]$  as a  $D_A$  - valued

function (DA being normed by Au) and

$$|ARS(t)u_0| \leq C_{12} \gamma^{-1} \left\{ \lambda_1^{1/2} t^{-1} + \nu^{-1} \right.$$

$$\left. \left[ \max \left\{ \lambda_1^{1/2} \gamma^{-1} |f|, ||u_0|| \right\} \right]^2 \right\} \cdot \max \left\{ \lambda_1^{1/2} \nu^{-1} |f|, ||u_0|| \right\} +$$

+ 
$$\gamma^{-1}|f|$$
 for all  $0 < t \le c_{11} t_0(u_0)$ 

(where  $c_{11-12}$  depend only on  $\Omega$ ).

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $H_{C}$ , resp.  $H_{C}^{\pm 1}$ , denote the complexified space of H, resp.  $H^{\pm 1}$  , that is the space of those  $C^n$ -valued distributions  $\{u_j + iv_j\}_{j=1}^n$  on  $\Omega$  such that  $u_j, v_j \in H$ . resp.  $u_j, v_j \in H^{\pm 1}$  (1  $\leq j \leq n$ ). By linearity, A ,P<sub>m</sub> and extend to a selfadjoint operator in H , resp. to the orthonormal projection of H on  $\mathbb{C} w_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{C} w_m$  and respectively to a bilinear operator from  $H^{2}_{C} \times H^{2}_{C}$  into  $H^{-1}_{C}$ .

Consider now in  $P_mH_{\mathfrak{C}}$  the following differential system

$$(4.2.3)$$
  $\frac{d}{ds} u_m(s) + V A u_m(s) + P_m B(u_m(s), u_m(s)) = P_m f$ 

which for small |S| has an analytic solution with values in  $P_mH$  and such that  $u_m(0)=P_mu_0$ . For  $|\theta|<\pi/2$  and  $S=\lambda e^{i\theta}$  we can easily infer from (4.2.3) that  $\frac{d}{ds} ||u_m(se^{i\theta})||^2 = Re\left(\left(\frac{du_m(s)}{ds}, u_m(s)\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{du_m(s)}{ds}, u_m(s)\right)$ 

$$= Re e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{du_{m}(s)}{ds}, Au_{m}(s) \right) =$$

$$= -Re e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{du_{m}(s)}{ds}, Au_{m}(s) \right)^{2} - Re e^{i\theta} \left( B(u_{m}(s), u_{m}(s)), Au_{m}(s) \right)$$

$$+ Re e^{i\theta} \left( f, Au_{m}(s) \right) \leq - (v \cos \theta) |Au_{m}(s)|^{2} +$$

$$+ c_{3} ||u_{m}(s)||^{3/2} |Au_{m}(s)|^{3/2} + |f| \cdot |Au_{m}(s)| \leq$$

$$\leq - \frac{v \cos \theta}{2} |Au_{m}(s)|^{2} + \frac{|f|^{2}}{v \cos \theta} + \frac{27 c_{3}^{4}}{4 u_{3}^{3} c_{3}^{3} \theta} ||u_{m}(s)||^{6}$$

that is

 $(4.2.4) \frac{d}{ds} ||u_m(5)||^2 + (v\cos\theta)||Au_m(5)||^2 = \frac{2|f|^2}{v\cos\theta} + \frac{27c_3^4}{2v^3\cos^3\theta} \cdot ||u_m(5)||_5^6$ whence

Integrating this differential inequality we obtain easily that

(4.2.5) 
$$\|U_m(se^{i\theta})\|^2 \leq 4 \max\{\lambda_i^{-1}\nu^{-2}\frac{|f|^2}{\cos^2\theta}, \|U_0\|^2\}$$

as long as

$$(4.2.6) \quad 0 \leq S = 8C_{1} \left(v^{3} \cos^{3}\theta\right) \min\left\{\left(\lambda_{1}^{-1} v^{-2} \frac{|f|^{2}}{\cos^{2}\theta}\right)^{-2}, ||u_{0}||^{-4}\right\},$$

where  $c_{11}$  is a suitable constant depending only on  $c_{3}$ . i.e. only on  $\Omega$ ; plainly we can suppose that  $\mathcal{S}c_{11} < c_{10}$  (see (2.6.1)). The preceding conclusion (4.2.5-6) shows that  $u_{m}(5)$  which was defined and analytic in a neighbourhood of S=0, actually extends to an analytic solution of (4.2.3) in a neighbourhood of

(4.2.7) 
$$\Delta(u_0) = \{ se^i : 0 \le s \le s(u_0; \theta) = \}$$

$$=8c_{11}\left(v^{3}\cos^{3}\theta\right)\min\left[\left(\lambda_{1}^{1}v^{-2}\frac{|f|^{2}}{\cos^{2}\theta}\right)^{-2}||u_{0}||^{-4}\right],|\theta|<\frac{\pi}{2}\right\}.$$

Also by (4.2.5-7) we can extract a subsequence  $\{u_{m_1}(5)\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  such that it converges in  $H_{\mathbb{C}}$  (by the vector version of the classical Vitali's theorem, which can be applied since  $\{u \in H_{\mathbb{C}}^1 : \|u\| \leq \rho\}$  is compact in  $H_{\mathbb{C}}$  for any  $0 \leq \rho < \infty$ ), uniformly on every compact set included in the interior  $\Delta(u_0)^{\circ}$  of  $\Delta(u_0)$ , to an analytic  $H_{\mathbb{C}}$  -valued function  $u_0(5)$ . But we can prove, as in [10],  $\{u_0, u_0\}$ , that the sequence  $\{u_m(t)\}$  converges in  $u_0(5)$ , that the sequence  $\{u_m(t)\}$  converges in  $\{u_0, u_0\}$ , is the analytic  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  we can therefore infer that  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  is the analytic  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  implies now that actually  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  is convergent in  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  implies now that actually  $\{u_0, u_0\}$  is convergent in  $\{u_0, u_0\}$ . Therefore the same is true for the following convergence in  $\{u_0, u_0\}$ . Therefore the same is true for the following convergence in  $\{u_0, u_0\}$ .

where K = 1,2,... is fixed. It results that for any compact set  $K \subset (u_0)^0$  we have, by (4.2.4-7),

$$\int |AP_{k} u_{o}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta = \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |AP_{k} u_{m}|5|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{2} d|5| d\theta \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int |Au_{m}(5)|^{$$

where C(K), resp.  $c(K; \gamma, f)$  are some adequate constants depending only on K, resp.  $K, \gamma$  and f. Thus we infer that

(4.2.8) sup 
$$\int |AP_{k}u_{0}(5)|^{2}|5|d|5|d\theta < \infty$$

The sequence  $\left\{|AP_{k}u_{0}(5)|^{2}\right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  being increasing it results that

(4.2.9) 
$$\lim_{k\to\infty} |AP_k u_0(5)|^2 < \infty \quad \text{a.e. on } K.$$

It is easy to check that if for a  $v_0 \in H_C$  we have  $\lim_{k \to \infty} |AP_k v_0|^2 < \infty$  then  $v_0 \in D_A$  and

(4.2.10) 
$$\lim_{k\to\infty} |Av_0 - AP_k v_0|^2 = \lim_{k\to\infty} (|Av_0|^2 - |AP_k v_0|^2) = 0.$$

In this manner (4.2.9) implies that  $u_0(\zeta) \in D_A$  a.e. in  $\Delta(u_0)^0$  (since K is an arbitrary compact  $\subset \Delta(u_0)^0$ ). Moreover (4.2.8) and (4.2.10) imply that

and consequently also that

$$(4.2.11) \qquad \int_{\mathbf{k}} |Au_{o}(5) - AP_{u_{o}}(5)|^{2} |5| d|5| d\theta =$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ |Au_{o}(5)|^{2} - |AP_{k}u_{o}(5)|^{2} \right] |5| d|5| d\theta =$$

for any compact  $K \subset \Delta(u_0)^{\circ}$ .

Since  $AP_ku_0(5)$  is analytic on  $\Delta(u^0)^0$  for any k=1,2,...,

the convergence (4.2.11) implies that the function  $\mathrm{Au}_0(\zeta)$  is also an analytic H<sub>C</sub>-valued function on the whole  $\Delta(u_0)^0$ . Thus, in particular RS(t)u<sub>0</sub> is a D<sub>A</sub>-analytic function on  $(0, c_{11} t_0(u_0)) \subset (0, s(u_0; 0)) \subset \Delta(u_0)^0$ .

In order to obtain the relation (4.2.2), let us first remark that the disk  $\{5:|5-t|\leq \frac{1}{2}t\}$  is, for  $0< t\leq c_{11}t_0(u_0)$ , contained in  $\Delta(u_0)^0$ , so that for such a t, by the Cauchy formula and (4.1.5),

$$|\frac{du_{0}(t)}{dt}| = \left|\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|S-t| = \frac{1}{2}t} \int_{|S-t| = \frac{1}{2}t} \frac{5}{t\lambda_{1/2}} \cdot \max\left\{\lambda_{1/2}^{1/2} - 1\right\} \int_{|S-t| = \frac{1}{2}t} \frac{5}{t\lambda_{1/2}^{1/2}} \cdot \min\left\{\lambda_{1/2}^{1/2} - 1\right\} \int_{|S-t| = \frac{1}{2}t} \frac{5}{t\lambda_{1/2}^{1/2}} \cdot \min\left\{\lambda_{1$$

Using now the equation (2.3.6) (which is satisfied everywhere on (0,  $s(u_0;0)$ ) because of the analyticity of u(t), Au(t) there) and the relations (2.2.3) and (4.1.12) we obtain (again for  $0 < t \le c_1 t_0(u_0)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \nu |Au_{o}(t)| &\leq \left| \frac{du_{o}(t)}{dt} \right| + \left| B(u_{o}(t), u_{o}(t)) \right| + \left| f \right| \leq \\ &\leq \left| \frac{du_{o}(t)}{dt} \right| + c_{3} \left\| u_{o}(t) \right\| \cdot \left| A^{3/4} u_{o}(t) \right| + \left| f \right| \leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \left| \frac{du_{o}(t)}{dt} \right| + c_{3} \left\| u_{o}(t) \right\|^{3/2} \left| Au_{o}(t) \right|^{3/2} + 1fl \leq$$

$$\leq \left| \frac{du_{o}(t)}{dt} \right| + \frac{v}{2} \left| Au_{o}(t) \right| +$$

$$+ \frac{c_{3}^{2}}{2v} \left\| u_{o}(t) \right\|^{3} + |f|,$$

whence (4.2.2) results in virtue of (4.2.5).

4.3. Corollary. For  $u \in H^1$ , RS(t)u is a  $D_A$ -valued analytic function on (0,t(u)). In case n=2 and  $u \in H$ , then S(t)u is also a  $D_A$ -valued analytic function on  $(0,\infty)$ .

The first statement is a direct consequence of preceding lemma, while for the second one we use the fact that in case n=2 we have (see Sec. 2.5 and 4.1)  $S(t+t_0)u = RS(t)S(t_0)u$  for any  $u \in H$  and  $t,t_0 > 0$ .

4.4. Theorem. If for a stationary statistical solution

<u>then</u>

$$(4.4.2) \qquad \text{supp } \mu \subset \{u \in \mathcal{D}_a : |Au| \leq b_3\}$$

where

$$(4.4.3) \quad b_2 = c_{13} \sqrt{\lambda^{1/2}} \left( \max \left\{ \sqrt{-2} \lambda_1^{-1/2} \left( f \right\}, \sqrt{-1} b_1 \right\} \right) \left[ \lambda_1^{-1/2} \left( \max \left\{ \sqrt{-2} \lambda_1^{-1/2} \left( f \right\}, \sqrt{-1} b_1 \right\} \right) \left[ \lambda_1^{-1/2} \left( \max \left\{ \sqrt{-2} \lambda_1^{-1/2} \left( f \right\}, \sqrt{-1} b_1 \right\} \right) \right]^2$$

(here  $c_{13}$  is a suitable constant depending only on  $\Omega$ ).

Proof. By Lemma 4.2. if 
$$||u_0|| \le b_1$$
 and  $(4.4.4)$   $t_1 = c_{11} \nu^3 \min \{ (\nu^{-1} \lambda_1^{1/2} |f|)^{-4}, b_1^{-4} \},$ 

then

with  $b_2$  as in (4.4.3), where  $c_{13}$  is chosen a suitable large constant, depending only  $c_{12}$ , thus only on  $\Omega$ . Since supp  $\mu$  is bounded in  $H^4$ ,  $\mu$  is invariant with respect to  $\left\{ \text{RS}(t) \right\}_{t \geq 0}$  (see Sec. 2.6), hence, by (4.4.5),

$$1 \ge \mu(\{u \in \mathcal{D}_{A} : |Au| \le b_{2}\}) = \mu(RS(t_{1})^{-1}\{u \in \mathcal{D}_{A} : |Au| \le b_{2}\}) \ge \mu(\{u \in H^{1} : ||u|| \le b_{2}\}) = 1.$$

We can now infer (4.4.3) because  $\{u \in D_A : |Au| \le b_2\}$  is compact in H.

4.5. As a direct consequence of the preceding theorem we obtain readily from (2.5.2) the following

Corollary. Let n = 2. Then any stationary statistical solution  $\mu$  has the support bounded in  $D_A$ ; more precisely (4.5.) supp  $\mu \subset \{u \in \mathcal{D}_A : |Au| \leq c_{i+1} v^{-1}|f| \exp(c_{i+1} v^{-1}|f|)\}$ 

(where  $c_{14-15}$  are some suitable constants depending only  $\Omega$  ).

4.6. Another consequence (however less obvious) of Theorem 4.4 is the following

Corollary. Let  $\mu$  be a stationary statistical solution with a bounded support in H<sup>1</sup>. Then for any  $t \ge 0$ , we have (4.6.1) RS(t) supp  $\mu$  = supp  $\mu$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $b_1$  and  $t_1$  be as in (4.4.1), resp. in (4.4.4); then it is sufficient to prove (4.6.1) for  $0 \le t \le t_1$ . Since, supp  $\mu$  is closed in  $H^1$  and, by Theorem 4.4, bounded in  $D_A$ , supp  $\mu$  is compact in  $H^1$ . But RS(t) is for  $0 \le t \le t_1$  continuous from  $D_{RS}(t)$  (endowed by the  $H^1$ -topology) into  $H^1$ . But, again in virtue of Theorem 4.4,

 $D_{RS(t)} \supset \sup \mu$  for  $0 \le t \le t_1$ . We can therefore infer that  $RS(t) \sup \mu$  is compact in  $H^1$ , and so much the more closed in H, for any  $0 \le t \le t_1$ . Fix such a t. By the invariance of  $\mu$  we have  $\mu(RS(t) \sup \mu) = 1$ , thus  $RS(t) \sup \mu \supset \sup \mu$ . On the other hand if  $G = RS(t)^{-1}$  ( $H^1 \setminus \sup \mu$ ) then G is open in  $D_{RS(t)}$ , henceforth in  $H^1$ . By the invariance of  $\mu$  we have  $\mu(G)=1$ , hence for  $K=(H\setminus G) \cap \sup \mu=(H^1\setminus G) \cap \sup \mu$ , which is closed in  $H^1$ , we have  $\mu(K)=1$ . But K, being closed in a compact subset of  $H^1$  (namely  $\sup \mu$ ) is compact in  $H^1$ , and so much the more it is closed in H. Therefore  $K \supset \sup \mu$  (since  $\mu(K)=1$ ). Consequently  $K=\sup \mu$  which obviously implies that  $RS(t) \sup \mu \subset \sup \mu$ .

4.7. Theorem. Let  $\mu$  be a stationary statistical solution with a bounded support in  $H^4$ . Then on supp  $\mu$  the topologies induced by H,  $H^4$  and  $D_A$  coincide. (Thus supp  $\mu$  is also compact in  $D_A$ !)

Proof. By Corollary 4.6 and Lemma 4.2 there exists an  $\eta > 0$  such that for any  $u \in \operatorname{supp} \mu$ , RS(t)u can be extended to an H -valued analytic function u(S) defined on a whole strip  $\Sigma = \{S \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Im}_S| < 2\eta\}$  and  $|\operatorname{Au}(S)| \leq \alpha$  for any  $S \in \Sigma$  and some constant  $\alpha < \infty$  depending on  $\mu$ , but independent of  $u \in \operatorname{supp} \mu$  and  $S \in \Sigma$ ; plainly, we will have also that

$$RS(t_0)u(t) = u(t+t_0) \qquad (t_0 \ge 0, -\infty < t < \infty).$$

Therefore, if  $u,v \in \text{supp}_{\mu}$ , we can infer, for w(t) = w(t) - v(t) and any  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ , that

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \| w(t) \|^2 + \gamma |Aw(t)|^2 = -b(u(t), w(t), Aw(t)) -$$

- b (w(t), v(t), Aw(t)) 
$$\leq c_3 \|u(t)\| \cdot |A^{3/4} w(t)| \cdot |Aw(t)| + c_3 \|w(t)\| \cdot |A^{3/4} w(t)| \cdot |Aw(t)| \leq c_3 \lambda_1^{-1/2} \alpha \|w(t)\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |Aw(t)|^{3/2} + c_3 \lambda_1^{-1/4} \alpha \|w(t)\| \cdot |Aw(t)| \leq c_3 \lambda_1^{-1/4} \alpha \|w(t)\| \cdot |Aw(t)| \leq c_3 \lambda_1^{-1/4} \alpha \|w(t)\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |Aw(t)|^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |Aw(t)|^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where  $\gamma$  is a constant (with respect to u,v  $\in$  supp $\mu$  and  $-\infty <$  t <  $\infty$  ). Thus we can easily conclude, first

 $||w(t)||^2 \le e^{2\delta'(t-t_0)} ||w(t_0)||^2 \qquad (-\infty \le t \le t < \infty)$  and then, secondly,

$$\int_{t_0}^{t} |Aw(\tau)|^2 d\tau \leq y^{-1} e^{2\delta(t-t_0)} \|w(t_0)\|^2 \quad (-\infty < t_0 \leq t < \infty);$$

this last relation obviously implies

$$(4.7.1) \qquad \int_{0}^{\gamma} |Aw(\tau)|^{2} d\tau \leq \gamma_{1} |w(0)|$$

where  $\gamma_1 = 2 \sqrt{-1} \propto e^{2\gamma \eta}$ . Consider, for  $|S| = \eta$ ,

$$F(5) = \int_{Q}^{5} Aw(z) dz.$$

Then F(5) is analytic in  $\{5:|5|-\eta\}$ ,  $|F(5)| \le 2\alpha$  for  $|5| \le \eta$  and

(4.7.2)  $|F(t)| \leq \chi_1^{1/2} \eta^{1/2} |w(o)|^{1/2}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq \eta$ . Let  $\omega$  denote the maximum on the circle  $\{5:|5|=\frac{1}{2}\eta\}$  of the harmonic function  $\omega(5)$  in  $\{5:|5|<\eta$ ,  $5 \notin C_0,17\}$  such that  $\omega(5)=0$  on  $\{5:|5|=\eta\}$  and  $\omega(5)=1$  for  $5 \in C_0,17$ . Then the Nevanlinna's classical maximum principle yields

$$|F(5)| \leq [\max\{1, (2\alpha)^{1-\omega}\}] \cdot [\min\{1, (\chi''^2 \eta''^2 | w(0)|'^2)^{\omega}\}]$$

for all 5,  $|5| = \frac{1}{2}\eta$ . Thus (with switable constants  $\chi_2, \chi_3$ )  $|Aw(0)| = |F'(0)| \leq \gamma^{-1}\chi_2 |w(0)|^{\omega/2} = \chi_3 |w(0)|^{\omega/2}$ 

whenever  $|w(0)| \leq \chi_1^{-1} \eta^{-7}$ . We can finally conclude that for some positive constants  $\chi_4$  (depending on  $\Omega$ ,  $\gamma$ , f; and on  $\mu$  in case n = 3!) and  $\omega > 0$ , we have (4.7.3)  $|Au - Av| \leq \chi_4 |u-v|^{\omega/2}$  for all  $u, v \in \text{supp} \mu$ . It is plain that (4.7.3) is sufficient for the validity of the theorem.

4.8. As a direct consequence of Corollary 3.10 and Theorem 4.7 we have the following

4.9. In the case n=2, Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.8 concern any stationary statistical solution, resp. any asymptotic attractor. In the case n=3, these proposition concern only those stationary statistical solutions, resp. asymptotic attractors, which have bounded supports in  $H^1$ , resp. are bounded in  $H^1$  Moreover as far as we are concerned the existence of nontrivial such entities is in this case (n=3) not known. However we have the following

Proposition. Let n = 3 and let  $\mu$  be a time average of an individual solution (see sec. 3.1-3). Then

(4.9.1) 
$$\int |Au|^{2/5} d\mu(u) < \infty$$

(Thus, so much the more,

(4.9.2) 
$$\mu(\mathfrak{D}_{A}) = 1$$
.)

<u>Proof.</u> Let u(t) be a fixed individual solution. For every  $t \in (0,\infty)$  such that  $\|u(t_0)\| < \infty$  (i.e.  $u(t_0) \in H^1$ ) we have, by virtue of Lemma 4.2,

$$|Au(t)| \le c_{12}^{\prime} [((t-t_0)^{-1}+1+||u(t_0)||^2)(1+||u(t_0)||)+1]$$

for all t such that

$$t_o < t \le t_o + c_{11}'(1+||u(t_o)||^4)^{-1}$$

where  $c_{11-12}^{\prime}$  are constants independent of  $t_{0}$  and t (but depending on  $\Omega$ ,  $\nu$  and f). We can easily infer that if for some  $p=1,2,\ldots$  we have

(4.9.3) 
$$\|\mathbf{u}(t_0)\|^2 < p$$

then

(4.9.4) 
$$\left| \text{Au}(t_0 + \tau_p) \right|^{2/5} \le c_{12}^{\dagger}(1+p)$$
,

where

(4.9.5) 
$$\tau_{p} = c_{11}^{*} (1+p^{2})^{-1}$$

and  $c_{12}^{"}$  is a constant independent of  $t_0$  and p . We set

$$\alpha_{p}(t) = \{0 \le t_{o} \le t : p - 7 \le \|u(t_{o})\|^{2} < p\}$$

and

$$\beta_{p}(t) = \left[\alpha_{p}(t) + \tau_{p}\right] \cap \left[0, t\right]$$
.

Then

(4.9.6) meas 
$$\alpha_p(t) \gg \text{meas } \beta_p(t) \gg \text{meas } \alpha_p(t) - \tau_p$$
.

Taking into account (4.9.3-6) we obtain (for any m = 1,2,...)

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} |AP_{m}u(\tau)|^{2/5} d\tau = \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{\infty} \beta_{p}(t) |AP_{m}u(\tau)|^{2/5} d\tau + \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{\infty} [0,t] \int_{0}^{\infty} \beta_{p}(t) |AP_{m}u(\tau)|^{2/5} d\tau \\
\leq \frac{1}{t} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} |Au(\tau)|^{2/5} d\tau \\
+ \frac{\lambda_{m}}{t} \sup_{0 \leq \tau \leq t} |u(\tau)|^{2/5} \max([0,t] \int_{p=1}^{\infty} \beta_{p}(t))$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} \left| \text{AP}_{m} u(\tau) \right|^{2/5} d\tau & \leq \frac{1}{t} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} c_{12}''(1+p) \text{ meas } \beta_{p}(t) + \frac{\lambda_{m}^{2/5}}{t} \left( \left| u(0) \right|^{2} + \frac{\left| f \right|^{2}}{2} \frac{1}{2^{2}} \right)^{1/5} \\ & \cdot \text{ meas}(\left[0,t\right] \bigvee_{p=1}^{\infty} \beta_{p}(t)) \\ & = \frac{c_{12}''}{t} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left( 1+p \right) \text{ meas } \beta_{p}(t) + \frac{c_{12}''}{t} \left( t - \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \text{ meas } \beta_{p}(t) \right) \\ & \leq \frac{c_{12}''}{t} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left( 1+p \right) \text{ meas } \alpha_{p}(t) + \frac{c_{12}'''}{t} \left[ t - \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left( \text{meas } \alpha_{p}(t) - \tau_{p} \right) \right] \\ & = \frac{c_{12}''}{t} \left[ 2t + \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left( p-1 \right) \text{ meas } \alpha_{p}(t) \right] + \frac{c_{12}''}{t} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \tau_{p} \\ & \leq c_{12}'' \left( 2 + \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} \left\| u(\tau) \right\|^{2} d\tau \right) + \frac{c_{12}'''}{t} \end{split}$$

where  $c_{12}^{\prime\prime\prime}$  are two suitable constants independent of t (depending however on  $\Omega$ ,  $\nu$ , f, u(0) and m). Using (3.2.1) we finally obtain

(4.9.7) 
$$\frac{1}{\lim_{t\to\infty}} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t |AP_m u(t)|^{2/5} d\tau \leq c_{12}'' (2 + \frac{|f|^2}{\lambda_1 v^2})$$

But  $\phi(u) = |AP_m u|^{2/5}$  is weakly continuous on any bounded set of H , so that from (4.9.7) we can readily infer that

(4.9.8) 
$$\int |AP_{m}u|^{2/5} d\mu(u) \leq c_{12}''(2 + \frac{|f|^{2}}{\lambda_{1}v^{2}})$$

for every time average  $\mu$  of u(t) and every  $m=1,2,\ldots$  (4.9.1) follows obviously from (4.9.8), by letting  $m\to\infty$ .

<u>Remark</u>. The preceding proof shows that the integral in (4.9.1) is bounded by a constant (for instance  $c_{12}''(2+\lambda^{-1/2}v^{-2}|f|^{-2}$ ; see (4.9.8)) which depends only on  $\Omega$ ,  $\nu$  and f but neither on the individual solution u(t) nor on its time average  $\mu$ 

4.10. Finally let us also remark a useful proprety of S(f;v) which is a direct consequence of Lemma 4.2, the estimation (2.3.7) and the fact that  $RS(t)u_0 = u_0$ , (t>0), for any  $u_0 \in S(f;v)$ , namely:

(4.10.1) 
$$\sup\{|Au| : u \in S(t;v)\} < \infty$$
.

## §.5. Structure of stationary statistical solutions.

5.1. We shall denote by  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;v)$  the set formed by all accretive stationary solutions; obviously

(5.1.1) 
$$\mathcal{G}_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{f}; \mathbf{v}) \subset \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{f}; \mathbf{v})$$

and  $\mathcal{S}_a(f;\nu)=\mathcal{S}(f;\nu)$  if n=2. Let moreover  $K_o=\{u\in H:|u|\leq \nu^{-1}\;\lambda_1^{-1}|f|\}$  be endowed with the weak topology of H and let  $C(K_o)$  denote the space of all real continuous functions on  $K_o$ . Plainly we can identify in a natural way (as we did for instance in sec. 3.1), the sets  $\mathcal{S}(f;\nu)$  and  $\mathcal{S}_a(f;\nu)$  with subsets of the dual  $C(K_o)$ ' of  $C(K_o)$ . Moreover we endow  $C(K_o)$ ', with its  $\sigma(C(K_o))$ ',  $C(K_o)$ ) topology.

# 5.2. Proposition. $\mathcal{G}(f;v)$ and $\mathcal{G}_a(f;v)$ are convex compact subsets of $C(K_0)'$ .

<u>Proof.</u> That  $\mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$  are convex is obvious. Since  $\mathcal{G}(f;\nu)\subset M_1=\{\mu\in C(K_0)':\|\mu\|\leqslant 1\}$  and the latter is compact in  $C(K_0)'$ , it remains to prove that  $\mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$  are closed. Using the fact that  $M_1$  is metrizable, we can consider the cases when  $\mu_j\to\mu$  in  $M_1$  and  $\{\mu_j\}_{j=1}^\infty\subset\mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  or  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ . In the first case, since for all fixed k, m=1,2... the restriction to  $K_0$  of the functionals  $\phi_{km}(u)=\langle A(P_ku), P_m \phi'(P_mu) \rangle$  belong also to  $C(K_0)$  for any test functional  $\phi$ , we can infer that

$$(5.2.1) \qquad \int \langle A(P_{k}u), P_{m}\phi'(P_{m}u) \rangle \ d\mu(u) \ = \ \lim_{j \to \infty} \int \langle A(P_{k}u), P_{m}\phi'(P_{m}u) \rangle \ d\mu_{j}(u) \ .$$

On the other hand for  $k \ge m$  (see sec. 3.2; formula (3.2.5))

$$|\langle A(P_k u), P_m \phi'(P_m u) \rangle - \langle A(u), P_m \phi'(P_m u) \rangle| \leq 2 c_3^{\prime} \lambda_m^{1/4} \lambda_{k+1}^{-1/2} ||u||^2 \quad (u \in H^1)$$

where  $c_3^*$  is (as in sec. 3.2) a constant depending only on  $\Omega$  and  $\phi$ . But, since (the restriction to  $K_0$  of)  $\phi_k(u) = \|P_k u\|^2$  also belongs to  $C(K_0)$  we have (see (2.4.5))

$$\int \left\| P_{k}^{u} \right\|^{2} \ \mathrm{d}\mu\left(u\right) \ = \ \lim_{i \to \infty} \int \left\| P_{k}^{u} \right\|^{2} \ \mathrm{d}\mu_{j}\left(u\right) \ \leqslant \ \mathcal{N}^{-2} \ \lambda_{1}^{-1} \left| f \right|^{2}$$

whence (letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$ )

(5.2.3) 
$$\int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) < v^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2.$$

Taking into account (5.2.1-3), (2.4.5), (2.4.3) (the last two for  $\mu_{\mathbf{j}}$ ) and the fact that

$$\phi'(P_m \square) = P_m \phi'(P_m \square) \qquad (u \in H^1)$$

we obtain at once

$$\left| \int \langle A(P_{k}u), P_{m}\phi'(P_{m}u) \rangle d\mu(u) \right| \leq \frac{4c_{3}^{1} \lambda_{m}^{1/4}}{\lambda_{k+1}^{1/2}} \frac{|f|^{2}}{v^{2} \lambda_{1}}$$

whenever  $k\!\geqslant\! m$  . Letting  $k\to\infty$  and then  $m\to\infty$  we obtain the relation (2.4.3) for  $\mu$  . The relation (2.4.4) for  $\mu$  can be obtained easily using the functionals

$$\phi_{\ell,k}(u) = \phi'(|P_{\ell}u|^2)[(f,u)-||P_{k}u||^2] \quad (u \in K)$$

which belong to  $C(K_0)$   $(k, \ell=1,2,...)$  in a manner similar to that in sec. 3.2. It remains to prove that if  $\{\mu_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  then  $\mu$  is accretive. By an argument similar to that at the end of sec. 3.4 we can infer that it is sufficient to prove

(5.2.4) 
$$\mu(K(t)) \geqslant \mu(K)$$
 (t>0)

for any bounded subset of H, closed in  $H^{-1}$ . For p,q = 1,2,..., let us set

$$K_{p,q} = \{u \in H^1 : ||u|| \le p, d_K(u) \le \frac{1}{q}\}$$

where for a subset X  $\subset$  H and  $u \in$  H we denote by  $d_X(u)$  the distance in  $H^{-1}$  from u to X . Obviously K is compact in H (thus also closed in  $H^{-1}$ ); consequently by [12], Lemma II.2.5, K  $_{p,q}(t)$  is closed in  $H^{-1}$ . Let  $\psi_r$  denote the function (from  $[0,\infty)$  to  $[0,\infty)$ ) defined by  $\xi \mapsto (1-k\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}} \neq (k=1,2...)$ , and let

$$K_q = \bigcup_{p=1}^{K} K_{p,q}$$
.

Then  $\psi_r(d_{K_0}(u))$  and  $\psi_r(d_{K_0}(u))$  (as function of  $u \in K_0$ ) belong to  $\mathcal{C}(K_0)$  for every  $k = 1, 2, \ldots$ ) so that we have

that is

$$\mu(K) \leq \frac{1}{p^2} v^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2 + \int \psi_r(d_{K_{p,q}(t)}(u)) d\mu(u)$$
.

Letting  $r \to \infty$  and taking into account that  $K_{p,q}(t)$  is closed in  $H^{-1}$  we obtain

(5.2.5) 
$$\mu(K) \leq \frac{1}{p^2} v^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2 + \mu(K_{p,q}(t)).$$

It is obvious that

(5.2.6) 
$$K_{p,1}(t) > K_{p,2}(t) > \dots$$

In virtue of [12], Lemma 2.5, we have also

(5.2.7) 
$$\bigcap_{q=1}^{\infty} K_{p,q}(t) \subset K(t) .$$

Making  $q \rightarrow \infty$  in (5.2.5) and taking into account (5.2.6-7) we obtain

$$\mu(K) \leq \frac{1}{p^2} v^{-2} \lambda_1^{-1} |f|^2 + \mu(K(t))$$
,

whence (5.2.4) follows at once (by letting p  $\rightarrow$   $\infty$ ). This finishes the proof.

#### 5.3. Theorem. If

(5.3.1) supp 
$$\mu$$
 is bounded in  $H^1$  for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}(f; \nu)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{G}_a(f; \nu)$ ) then

(5.3.2) supp 
$$\mu \in S(f;\nu)$$
 for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ ).

[In other words if every stationary statistical (resp. accretive stationary statistical) solution has a bounded support in  $\mathbb{H}^1$ , then actually the supports are included in the set of the stationary individual solutions. Let us also emphasize that the assumption (5.3.1) always holds for the case n=2, i.e. for plane fluids; see (2.5.2).

Proof. Under the assumption (5.3.1), all measures  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ ) are invariant with respect to  $\{RS(t)\}_{t\geqslant 0}$  (see sec. 3.7-8). But then the extremal elements of  $\mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ ) are these measures  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}(f;\nu)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ ) for which the functional flow  $\{RS(t)\}_{t\geqslant 0}$  is ergodic (see [7], p. ). Let  $\mu$  be such a measure. In virtue of sec. 4.2 and 4.6, for every  $u \in \text{supp } \mu$  we can extend RS(t)u to a  $\mathcal{D}_{A_{\mathbb{C}}}$  -valued analytic function  $RS(\xi)u$  defined in a strip  $\sigma = \{\xi \in \mathbb{C} : |m\xi| < \eta\}$  (where  $\eta$  depends on  $\Omega$ ,  $\nu$ ; f and  $h_1 = \{\|u\| : u \in \text{supp } \mu\}$ , but is independent of  $u \in \text{supp } \mu$ ) satisfying also the following properties :

$$|A_{\mathfrak{C}} \operatorname{RS}(\zeta) \mathbf{u}| \leq b_2 + 1 \qquad (\zeta \in \sigma)$$

(see sec. 4.4 and again the proof in sec. 4.2) and

(5.3.4) 
$$RS(t)u \in supp \quad \mu \qquad (-\infty < t < \infty).$$

By analyticity it follows at once

$$RS(t)u = (RS(-t) | supp \mu)^{-1}u$$
  $(t<0, u \in supp \mu)$ ,

so that  $\{RS(t) \text{ supp } \mu\}_{-\infty < t < \infty}$  forms a group of homeomorphic maps of supp  $\mu$ , with respect to which  $\mu$  is still invariant. We shall consider now some remarkable functions (the first one suggested by [3], [4]), namely

$$\phi(t) = \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (RS(t)u,u) d\mu(u) \qquad (-\infty < t < \infty),$$

(5.3.4) 
$$\phi_1(t) = \int_{\text{supp } \mu} ((RS(t)u,u)) d\mu(u)$$
 (-\infty < t < \infty)

and

(5.3.5) 
$$\psi(s,t) = \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (B(RS(t)u,RS(t)u),u) \qquad (-\infty < s,t < \infty).$$

In virtue of the properties of RS( $\zeta$ )u for  $u \in \text{supp } \mu$  , these functions are

analytic. Moreover, by the invariance property of u we have

$$\phi(-t) = \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (RS(-t)u, u) \ d\mu(u)$$

$$= \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (RS(-t) \ RS(t)u, \ RS(t)u) \ d\mu(u)$$

$$= \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (u, RS(t)u) \ d\mu(u) = \phi(t)$$

(and analogously for  $\Phi_1$ ), that is

(5.3.6) 
$$\phi(t) = \phi(-t), \ \phi_1(t) = \phi_1(-t) \ (-\infty < t < \infty);$$
also 
$$\psi(s-t,-t) = \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (B(RS(s-t)u,RS(-t)u),u) \ d\mu(u)$$

$$= \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (B(RS(s-t)RS(t)u,RS(-t)RS(t)u),RS(t)u) \ d\mu(u)$$

$$= \int_{\text{supp } \mu} (B(RS(s)u,u),RS(t)u) \ d\mu(u)$$

$$= -\int_{\text{supp } \mu} (B(RS(s)u,RS(t)u),u) \ d\mu(u) = -\psi(s,t) ,$$

(where we used (2.2.2) and (2.2.6))

(5.3.7) 
$$\psi(s-t,t) - \psi(s,t) = 0$$
  $(-\infty < s,t < \infty)$ .

From (5.3.7) we infer, by recurrence,

(5.3.8) 
$$\frac{\partial^{K}}{\partial t^{K}} \psi(s,t) - (-1)^{K} \sum_{j=0}^{K} {K \choose j} \frac{\partial^{K}}{\partial \xi^{j} \partial \eta^{K-j}} \psi(\alpha,\beta) = 0 \quad \alpha = s-t, \beta = -t$$

for all  $-\infty$ <s,t< $\infty$  . But (5.3.1) also yields  $\psi(s,0) \equiv 0$  , so that for t=0 the relation (5.3.8) becomes

(5.3.9) 
$$\left(\frac{\partial^{K}}{\partial t^{K}}\psi\right)(s,0)\left[1+(-1)^{K}\right] = 0 \quad (K = 0,1,2,..., -\infty < s < \infty)$$

In particular the relations (5.3.9) (for s=0) show that the analytic function  $\psi(0,t)$  is odd. Thus

$$\psi(t,t) = -\psi(0,-t)$$

is also an odd function; on the other hand (5.3.6) shows that the functions  $\phi(t)$ 

and  $\phi_1(t)$  are even. But, for  $t\geqslant 0$  , we have

$$\int_{0}^{t} \left[ (f,u) - v\phi_{1}(\tau) - \psi(\tau,\tau) \right] d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} \left[ \int_{\sup p} \frac{\left( \frac{d}{dt} RS(\tau)u, u \right) d\mu(u)}{dt} \right] d\tau$$

$$= \int_{\sup p} \left[ \int_{0}^{t} \frac{\left( \frac{d}{dt} RS(\tau)u, u \right) d\tau}{dt} \right] d\mu(u)$$

$$= \int_{\sup p} \frac{\left( RS(t)u, u \right) d\mu(u)}{dt} - \int_{0}^{t} \left[ u \right]^{2} d\mu(u)$$

where again we used the analytical properties of  $RS(\tau)u$  and sec. 4.4, but also the form (2.3.1), (2.3.6) of the Navier-Stokes equations.

It results that

(5.3.10) 
$$\phi'(t) + v\phi_1(t) + \psi(t,t) = (f, \int u \, d\mu(u)) \quad (-\infty < t < \infty)$$
.

Since the function involved in (5.3.10) are analytic, some odd and other even, the equation (5.3.10) splits into its odd and even part. This latter part is

$$v\phi_1(t) = (f, \int u \ d\mu(u)) \qquad (-\infty < t < \infty) ,$$

i.e.

(5.3.11) 
$$v \int_{\tilde{S}upp \ \mu} ((RS(t)u,u)) \ d\mu(u) = (f, \int u \ d\mu(u)) \quad (-\infty < t < \infty) .$$

For t=0, (5.3.11) yields

(5.3.12) 
$$v \int ||u||^2 d\mu(u) = (f_1, \int u d\mu(u)).$$

Moreover, from (5.3.11) it follows easily that

(5.3.13) 
$$v \int_{\text{SUPP } u} ((\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} RS(\tau)u \ d\tau, u)) d\mu(u) = (f, \int_{0}^{t} u \ d\mu(u))$$
 (0\lest\left\left\rightarrow).

Now because of the ergodicity we have on supp  $\mu$  that for every  $v\in \mathbb{H}^1$ 

(5.3.14) 
$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} ((RS(\tau)u,v)) d\tau \longrightarrow ((\int w d\mu(w),v))$$

for all  $u \notin E_v$  where  $E_v \subset \operatorname{supp} \mu$ ,  $\mu(E_v) = 0$  . But, for  $u \in \operatorname{supp} \mu$  ,

$$\left\{\frac{1}{t}\int_{0}^{t} RS(\tau) u d\tau; t\geqslant 0\right\}$$

is bounded in  $H^1$  . Therefore if  $E = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_{w_j}$  we can easily infer that for  $t \to \infty$ 

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t RS(\tau)u \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} w \ d\mu(w) \text{ weakly in } H^1 \text{ for all } u \in \text{supp } \mu \backslash E \ .$$

Thus from (5.3.13) we obtain by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem

(5.3.15) 
$$v \| \int w \ d\mu(w) \|^2 = v \int ((\int w \ d\mu(w), u) \ d\mu(u) = (f, \int w \ d\mu(w)).$$

Substracting (5.3.15) form (5.3.12) we obtain

$$\int \|u\|^2 \ d\mu = \|\int w \ d\mu(w)\|^2 \ , \ i.e. \ \int \|u - \int w \ d\mu(w)\|^2 \ d\mu(u) = 0 \ .$$

This shows that  $\mu$  is the Dirac measure concentrated in  $u_0 = \int w \ d\mu(w)$ ; consequently (see sec. 4.6, for instance)  $u_0 \in S(f;v)$  (i.e. is an individual stationary solution. The theorem follows now directly from the general barycentric representation theorem of Choquet (see [7], p. ).

- 5.4. Theorem. If the assumption (5.3.1) holds for  $\mathcal{S}_a(f;\nu)$  (in particular if n=2, i.e. if the fluid is two dimensional), then:
- (i) Every asymptotic attractor is included in the set S(f;v) of the stationary individual solutions.
- (ii) Every individual solution is weakly asymptotically convergent in H to S(f;v).
- (iii) Every weakly almost periodic individual solution (in particular every periodic or quasi-periodic solution) is stationary (i.e. time-independent).

(An individual solution u(t) is called weakly almost periodic if it is defined on all  $(-\infty,\infty)$  and for every  $v \in H$ , the function (u(t),v) is a real almost periodic function; see [2]).

<u>Proof.</u> If  $X \subset H$  is an symptotic attractor then, by Theorem 3.9, X is the weak closure of supp  $\mu$ ,  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ , thus, by Theorem 5.3, X is included in the weak closure of  $S(f;\nu)$ , which being compact in H (see, for instance, (2.3.7)) is also weakly closed, thus  $X \subset S(f;\nu)$ . This proves the statement (i).

Assume now that there exists an individual solution u(t) which is not asymptotically convergent to  $S(f;\nu)$ . Then, if d(u) denotes the distance in  $H^{-1}$  from  $u\in H$  to  $S(f;\nu)$ , we have

$$\chi = \lim_{t\to\infty} \sup_{t\to\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t d(u(\tau)) d\tau > 0.$$

Since  $d(u)\in\mathcal{C}$ , from sec. 3.1, 3.2 and 3.4 it follows that there exists  $\mu\in\mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$  such that

$$\int d(u) d\mu(u) = \chi > 0$$

which shows that supp  $\mu \notin S(f;\nu)$ , in contradiction with Theorem 5.3. This proves the statement (ii).

Concerning (iii), the shortest proof runs as follows: let u(t) denote also the extension to the whole  $(-\infty,\infty)$  of our individual solution enjoying the property indicated before the proof. Then u(t) extends by continuity to a uniquely determined weakly continuous H-valued function  $U(\theta)$  defined on the Bohr compactification  $\mathbb{R}^{AA}$  of  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty,\infty)$  (see for instance [2]). It is easy to check that if t measure  $\mu$  on H is defined by

$$\int \phi(u) \ d\mu(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{11}} \phi(U(\theta)) \ d\theta \qquad (\phi \in \mathcal{C}) ,$$

then (see [2]),

(5.4.2) 
$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \phi(u(\tau)) d\tau = \int_0^t \phi(u) d\mu(u) \qquad (\phi \in \mathcal{C}) ,$$

so that, in virtue of sec. 3.1, 3.2 and 3.4, we can infer that  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}_a(f;v)$ . Therefore, by Theorem 5.3. supp  $\mu \in S(f;v)$ , whence

It follows that  $U(\theta) \in S(f;v)$  for all  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{\wedge \wedge}$ ; in particular  $u(0) \in S(f;v)$ . But in this case u(t) = RS(t) u(0) = u(0)  $(t \in [0,\infty))$  so that  $u(t) \equiv u(0)$  is a stationary individual solution. This finishes the proof of the Theorem.

5.5. Corollary. In case n=2, every individual solution is strongly asymptotically convergent in  $H^1$  to S(f;v).

<u>Proof.</u> In the case n=2, it is known (see [13]) that for every individual solution u(t) the following holds:

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}\sup \|u(t)\|<\infty$$

From Lemma 4.2 we can thus infer that

(5.5.1) 
$$\lim \sup_{t \to \infty} |Au(t)| = \gamma < \infty$$

Let us denote by  $d_1(u)$  the distance in  $H^1$  from  $u \in H$  to S(f;v) (where we set  $d_1(u) = \infty$  if  $u \in H \setminus H^1$ ). Since instead of u(t) we can consider u(t+1), we can assume from the beginning that  $u(0) \in H^1$ ; thus

$$\delta(t) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t d_1(u(\tau)) d\tau \qquad (t>0)$$

will make sense. It will be sufficient to prove that

(5.5.2) 
$$\delta(t) \to 0 \text{ for } t \to \infty.$$

To this purpose we notice that for u(t) there exists  $v_t \in S(f;v)$  such that  $\|u(t) - v_t\|_{H^{-1}} = d(u(t))$  (see the proof of the statement (ii) in sec. 5.4). Therefore

$$\begin{split} d_{1}(u(t)) &\leq \|u(t) - v_{t}\| \leq \|u(t) - v_{t}\|_{H^{-1}}^{1/4} |A(u(t) - v_{t})|^{3/4} \\ &\leq d(u(t))^{1/4} [|Au(t)| + \sup\{|Av| : v \in S(f; v)\}]^{3/4} \end{split}$$

whence, by Corollary 4.3 and formula (5.5.1), (4.10.1),

$$d_1(u(t)) \leq \gamma_1 d(u(t))^{1/4}$$
 (for  $t \ge 1$ )

where  $\gamma_1$  is constant with respect to the time  $\,\,t\,$  . We can infer now that

$$0 \le \delta(t) \le \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{1} d_{1}(u(\tau)) d\tau + (\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} d(u(\tau)) d\tau)^{1/4} \gamma_{1}$$

where the latter term tends to 0 (for t  $\rightarrow$   $\infty$ ), by Theorem 5.4 (ii). Hence (5.5.2) is valid.

5.6. As we already pointed out the results in sec. 5.3-5 are always valid in case n=2, i.e. for two dimensional fluids. In the more interesting case n=3, i.e. that of three dimensional fluids (the real ones!) we will now show that the basic assumption (5.3.1) for  $\mathcal{G}_a(f;v)$  is connected with the preservation of the regularity for the individual solutions. Precisely, we have the following.

5.7. Theorem. Let n=3 and assume that

(5.7.1) 
$$t(u) = \infty \text{ for every } u \in H^1$$

(see (3.6.1)). Then

- (i) This assumption (5.3.1) holds for  $\mathcal{L}_{a}(f;v)$ .
- (ii) Every individual solution is strongly asymptotically convergent in  $H^1$  to  $S(f;\nu)$  .

<u>Proof.</u> Since the proof statement (ii) is similar to that of Corollary 5.6 (once the statement (i) is proved) we shall omit it. In order to prove the statement (i) we will firstly prove that (5.7.1) <u>implies</u>

(5.7.2) 
$$\sup\{\|RS(t)u\| : 0 \le t \le T, \|u\| \le R\} < \infty$$

for every fixed T, R  $\in$  (0, $\infty$ ). Let us assume the contrary. Then there exists  $u_j \in H^1$ ,  $\|u_j\| < R$  and  $t_j \in (0,T_j]$  (j=1,2,...) such that

(5.7.3) 
$$\|RS(t_j)u_j\| \rightarrow \infty \text{ for } j \rightarrow \infty.$$

In virtue of Lemma 4.2, there exists  $t_0 \in (0,T)$  such that

(5.7.4) 
$$\sup\{\|RS(t)u_j\| : 0 \le t \le t_0, j=1,2,...\} < \infty$$

(5.7.5) 
$$\sup\{|ARS(t_0)u_j| : j=1,2,...\} < \infty$$
.

Plainly, we can also assume: that  $t_j \to t_\infty \in [0,T]$  and that  $u_j$  converges weakly in  $H^1$  to some  $u_\infty \in H^1$ ,  $\|u_\omega\| < R$ . From (5.7.4) it follows  $t_\infty \in [t_0,T]$ . On the other hand, by an argument similar to that in sec. 3.5 [16], we can infer that a subsequence of  $\{RS(t)u_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  (which will again denoted as the initial one) is weakly convergent in H, uniformly on every compact interval  $\subset [0,\infty)$  (in particular on [0,T]) to an individual solution u(t) such that  $u(0)=u_\infty$ . By the uniqueness theorem for the regular solution and the assumption (5.7.1) we have  $u(t)=RS(t)u_\infty$  (for al t>0). But since by (5.7.5)  $\{RS(t_0)u_j:j=1,2,\ldots\}$  is bounded in  $\mathfrak{D}_A$  it is relatively compact in  $H^1$ . This fact joint to the weak convergence in H of  $RS(t_0)u_j$  to  $u(t_0)$  yields that

(5.7.6) 
$$\|RS(t_0)u_j - u(t_0)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } j \rightarrow \infty$$
.

Moreover for  $t \in [t_0,T]$  and  $v_j(t) = RS(t)u_j - u(t)$  we obtain easily (from (2.3.6), (2.2.3) and (2.2.5))

$$(5.7.7) \qquad \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \| \mathbf{v}_{j} \|^{2} + \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} |^{2} = -\langle \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_{j}), \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{v}_{j}, \mathbf{u}), \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{v}_{j}, \mathbf{v}_{j}), \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} \rangle$$

$$\leq (c_{3} + c_{4}) \| \mathbf{u} \| \| \mathbf{v}_{j} \|^{1/2} | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} |^{3/2} + c_{3} \| \mathbf{v}_{j} \|^{3/2} | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} |^{3/2}$$

$$\leq \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_{j} |^{2} + c(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}_{\infty}) \| \mathbf{v}_{j} \|^{2} (1 + \| \mathbf{v}_{j} \|^{4})$$

where  $c(v,u_{\infty})$  is a constant depending on  $\Omega$  (by the  $c_{3-4}$ ), v and  $\max\{\|RS(t)u_{\infty}\|: t_0 \leqslant t \leqslant T\}$ . Integrating (5.7.7) we obtain

(5.7.8) 
$$\frac{\|\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{j}}(t)\|^{4}}{1 + \|\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{j}}(t)\|^{4}} \leqslant \frac{\|\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{j}}(t_{o})\|^{4}}{1 + \|\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{j}}(t_{o})\|^{4}} \cdot \exp[2c(v, u_{\infty})(T - t_{o})] \quad (t \in [t_{o}, T]) .$$

Since  $t_{\infty} \in [t_0,T]$ , in (5.7.8) we can take  $t=t_j$  for j large enough. Letting afterwards  $j \to \infty$ , we obtain in virtue of (5.7.6) that for  $j \to \infty$ 

$$\|RS(t_j)u - u(t_\infty)\| \le \|v(t_j)\| + \|u(t_j) - u(t_\infty)\| \rightarrow \infty$$

in contradiction with (5.7.3). Thus, we conclude that (5.7.2) is valid.

We return now to the proof of the statement (i). Let thus  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}_a(f;\nu)$ , and let  $\rho$  denote the upper bound in (5.7.2) corresponding to the choice T=1 and

(5.7.9) 
$$R = (2\lambda_1^{-1}, v^{-1}|f|^2 + 1)^{1/2}.$$

Let moreover u(t) be any individual solution starting from supp  $\mu$  , i.e. such that u(0)  $\in$  supp  $\mu$  . Then from (2.3.4) and (2.4.6) it follows plainly

$$\int_{0}^{1} ||u(t)||^{2} dt \leq 2\lambda_{1}^{-1} v^{-1} |f|^{2}$$

so that the set

$$\{t \in (0,1) : ||u(t)|| \leq R\}$$

is of positive measure. Thus we can chose a point  $t_0$  in this set at which u(t) is strongly continuous (in H) from the right (see the definition of an individual solution in sec. 2.3). Then, since  $u(t+t_0)$  (for t>0) is also an individual solution (with initial value  $u(t_0)$ ) we have  $u(t+t_0) = RS(t) u(t_0)$  for all t>0

and consequently, by (5.7.2),

$$\|u(1)\| = \|RS(1-t_0) u(t_0)\| \le \rho$$
.

It follows

(5.7.10) 
$$(\sup \mu)(1) \subset \{u \in H^1 : ||u|| \leq \rho\}$$
.

Recalling that  $\mu$  is accretive, we have firstly

$$\mu(\{u \in H^1 : ||u|| < \rho\}) = 1$$

and then, secondly

supp 
$$\mu \subset \{u \in H^1 : ||u|| \leq \rho\}$$
,

achieving our proof.

#### §.6. Structure of the set of stationary individual solutions.

6.1. We want now to describe the structure of the set S(f;v) of the stationary individual solutions, i.e. the set of  $u \in H^1$  such that

(6.1.1) 
$$A(u) = v Au + B(u,u) - f = 0.$$

The main results are Theorems 6.3 and 6.8.1.

We recall that for n=2 or 3, by reiteration of the regularity results for the Stokes problem  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 40 \end{bmatrix}$  it can be shown (see for instance  $\begin{bmatrix} 41 \end{bmatrix}$ ) that any solution  $u \in H^1$  of (6.1.1) actually belongs to  $D_A$ ; thus

(6.1.2) 
$$S(f;v) \subset D_{A}.$$

This result can be also deduced from Lemma 4.2: let  $u_0 \in S(f; v)$ ; then  $u_0 \in \mathbb{H}^1$  and  $u_0 \in RS(t)u_0$ , so that  $u_0 \in D_A$ .

6.2. Lemma. There exists a constant  $c_1$  depending only on  $\Omega$  and n (n=2,3) such that if

(6.2.1) 
$$(m+1)^{2/n} \ge c_1 \frac{|f|^4}{2^8}$$

then the restriction of P to S(f;v) is a one to one mapping.

<u>Proof.</u> We first show that S(f;v) is bounded in  $D_A$ . Let uv belongs to S(f;v); taking the scalar product of (6.1.1) with Au, we obtain

$$v|Au|^2 = (f,Au) - b(u,u,Au)$$
.

If n=2 we apply (2.2.4) with  $\alpha_1 = \gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_2 = \beta_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\beta_1 = 1$ :

$$|b(u,u,Au)| \le c_2 ||u||^{3/2} |Au|^{3/2}$$
.

For n=3, we deduce the same inequality from (2.2.3) written with  $\alpha=\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\beta=\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\Upsilon=0$  and the inequality

$$|A^{3/4}u| \le c |A^{1/2}u|^{1/2} |Au|^{1/2} \le c' ||u|| ||Au|^{1/2}$$
.

Whence

$$|\operatorname{Au}|^{2} \leq |f| |\operatorname{Au}| + c_{2} ||u||^{3/2} |\operatorname{Au}|^{3/2}$$

$$\leq (\operatorname{from} (2.3.7))$$

$$\leq |f| |\operatorname{Au}| + c \frac{|f|^{3/2}}{\sqrt{3/2}} |\operatorname{Au}|^{3/2}$$

$$\leq \frac{\sqrt{4}}{4} |\operatorname{Au}|^{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} |f|^{2} + \frac{\sqrt{4}}{4} |\operatorname{Au}|^{2} + c' \frac{|f|^{6}}{\sqrt{9}}$$

so that

(6.222) 
$$|Au| \le c_3 \frac{|f|}{v} (1 + \frac{|f|^2}{v^4}),$$

with some suitable constant  $c_3$  depending only on  $\Omega$ .

Let now  $u, v \in S(f; v)$ , and let w = u - v. We take the scalar product in H of A(u) - A(v) with  $Q_m w$   $(Q_m = I - P_m)$  and we obtain (m an arbitrary integer):

$$\begin{aligned} \|Q_{mw}\|^{2} &= -b(u,u,Q_{m}w) + b(v,v,Q_{m}w) \\ &= -b(u,w,Q_{m}w) - b(w,v,Q_{m}w) \\ &= +b(u,Q_{m}w,P_{m}w) + b(P_{m}w,Q_{m}w,v) + b(Q_{m}w,v,Q_{m}w) \end{aligned}$$

For the first two terms we apply the first inequality (2.2.5); the third term is majorized with (2.2.3) (  $\alpha = \gamma = \frac{3}{8}$ ,  $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $|A^{3/8}u| < c|u|^{1/4}|A^{1/2}u|^{3/4} < c'|u|^{1/4}||u||^{3/4}$ ).

$$\begin{split} & v \left\| Q_{m} w \right\|^{2} \leqslant \left. c \left( \left| u \right|^{1/4} \left| A u \right|^{3/4} + \left| v \right|^{1/4} \left| A v \right|^{3/4} \right) \, \left\| Q_{m} w \right\| \left| P_{m} w \right| + c \left\| v \right\| \left\| Q_{m} w \right\|^{3/2} \quad \left| Q_{m} w \right|^{1/2} \\ & \leqslant \left. c \, \frac{\left| f \right|}{v} \left( 1 \, + \, \frac{\left| f \right|^{2}}{v^{4}} \right)^{3/4} \left\| Q_{m} w \right\| \left| P_{m} w \right| \, + .c_{4} \, \frac{\left| f \right|}{v} \left\| Q_{m} w \right\|^{3/2} \left| Q^{m} w \right|^{1/2} \\ & \leqslant \frac{v}{2} \, \left\| Q_{m} w \right\| \, + \, c^{\tau} \, \frac{\left| f \right|^{2}}{v^{3}} \, \left( 1 \, + \, \frac{\left| f \right|^{2}}{v^{4}} \right)^{3/2} \, \left| P_{m} w \right|^{2} \, + \, \frac{c_{4}}{v} \, \frac{\left| f \right|}{v} \, \left\| Q_{m} w \right\|^{2} \, \, , \end{split}$$

and thus,

We arrive to

(6.2.3) 
$$(\frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{2} - c_4 \frac{|f|}{\sqrt{\lambda_{m+1}^{1/4}}} \|Q_m w\|^2 \le c'' \frac{|f|^2}{\sqrt{3}} (1 + \frac{|f|^2}{\sqrt{4}})^{3/2} |P_m w|^2 .$$

For

(6.2.4) 
$$\lambda_{m+1}^{1/4} \ge 4c_4 \frac{|f|}{\sqrt{2}}$$

we obtain

(6.2.5) 
$$\|Q_{m}(u-v)\|^{2} \le 4c_{5} \frac{|f|^{2}}{v^{4}} (1 + \frac{|f|^{2}}{v^{4}})^{3/2} |P_{m}(u-v)|^{2}$$
.

Plainly (6.2.4) together with (2.1.4) show that if m satisfies (6.2.1) with a suitable constant  $c_1$  depending only on  $\Omega$ , then  $P_m$  is injective on  $S(f;\nu)$ .

More generally, for any  $u, v \in S(f; v)$ 

(6.2.6) 
$$|u-v|^2 \le \left[1 + \frac{c_6}{(m+1)^{2/n}} \frac{|f|^2}{v^4} \left(1 + \frac{|f|^2}{v^4}\right)^{3/2}\right] |P_m(u-v)|^2$$

6.3. Theorem. S(f;v) is homomorphic to a compact set of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , m sufficently large so that (6.2.1) is fulfilled.

<u>Proof.</u> S(f;v) is a compact set of H , and  $P_m$  S(f;v) , for m satisfying (6.2.1) is compact too. Hence  $P_m^{-1}$  is continuous on the image and the result follows.

6.4. Before continuing, it will be usefull to establish a majoration similar to (6.2.5) for the  $H^2$ -norm. Let  $u, v \in S(f;v)$  and w = u - v. We have

$$v Aw + B(w,u) + B(v,w) = 0$$
  
 $v Aw + B(P_m w + Q_m w,u) + B(v,P_m w + Q_m w) = 0$ 

and taking the scalar product in H with  $A_{\mathbb{Z}}Q_{m}^{-}w$  , we find

$$|A Q_{m}w|^{2} \le |(B(w,u), A Q_{m}w)| + |(B(v,w), A Q_{m}w)|$$

$$\le c |P_{m}w|^{1/2} ||P_{m}w||^{1/2} ||u||^{1/2} ||Au|^{1/2} ||A Q_{m}w||$$

$$+ c |Q_{m}w|^{1/2} ||A Q_{m}w|^{1/2} ||u||^{1/2} ||A Q_{m}w||$$

$$+ c |v|^{1/2} ||Av|^{1/2} ||P_{m}w|| ||A Q_{m}w||$$

+ 
$$c|v|^{1/2}|Av|^{1/2}|Q_{m}v||A Q_{m}v|$$
  
 $\leq \frac{c'}{\lambda_{1}}|AP_{m}v||A Q_{m}v|(|Au|+|Av|)$   
+  $\frac{c'}{\lambda_{m+1}^{1/2}}|A Q_{m}v|^{2}(|Au|+|Av|)$ .

By virtue of (2.1.5) and (6.2.2) we easily deduce that

(6.4.1) 
$$|A Q_m(u-v)| \le c_7 \frac{|f|}{v^2} (1 + \frac{|f|^2}{v^4}) |A P_m(u-v)|, u,v, \in S(f;v)$$

provided

(6.4.2) 
$$(m+1)^{2/n} \ge c_8 \frac{|f|^2}{v^4} (1 + \frac{|f|^2}{v^4})^2$$

6.5. We introduce the complexified space of H denoted  $H_C$  and let  $A_C$ ,  $B_C$ ,  $P_{m,C}$ ,..., be the operators in  $H_C$  characterised as the linear extensions of the operators A, B,  $P_m$ ,... All the relations (2.2.3-4-5) are still valid if we replace B by  $\frac{1}{8}$   $B_C$ .

<u>Lemma 1.</u> Let  $v_0, \rho_0 > 0$  be fixed and let

(6.5.1) 
$$(m+1)^{2/n} > \frac{c_9}{v_0} (\rho_0 + \frac{|f| + \rho_0^2}{v_0} + (|f| + \rho_0^2)^{1/2})$$

Then for each  $v \in C$ ,  $|v| \gg v_0$ , and  $a \in \mathcal{D}_{A_C}$ ,  $|A_C a| \leqslant \rho_0$ , the equation

(6.5.2) 
$$v A_{C^{W}} + Q_{m,C} B_{C}(w+a,w+a) = Q_{m,C}f$$
,

possesses one and only one solution w = w (a), such that

(6.5.3) 
$$Q_{m,C}^{W} = W \in \mathcal{D}_{A_{C}}, |A_{C}^{W}| \leq \frac{c_{10}^{2}}{v_{0}^{2}} (|f| + |\rho_{0}|^{2}).$$

<u>Proof.</u> (For simplicity we omit in this proof the subscripts C, and we note A, B,  $Q_m$ ,..., instead of  $A_C$ ,  $B_C$ ,  $Q_m$ ,C,...).

Let us consider the function

$$w \mapsto F(w) = v^{-1} A^{-1} - Q B(w+a, w+a) + Q f$$
,

from Q  $H_C \cap \mathcal{D}_A$  into itself, this space being equiped with the norm |Au|. We infer from (2.2.5):

$$\begin{split} \left| \text{AF}(w) \right| &\leqslant \frac{1}{\nu_{o}} \left( \left| f \right| + \left| \text{B}(a, a) \right| + \left| \text{B}(a, w) \right| + \left| \text{B}(w, a) \right| + \left| \text{B}(w, w) \right| \right) \\ &\leqslant \frac{1}{\nu_{o}} \left( \left| f \right| + c \left| a \right|^{1/2} \left\| a \right\| \left| \text{Aa} \right|^{1/2} + c \left| a \right|^{1/2} \left| \text{Aa} \right|^{1/2} \left\| w \right\| + c \left| w \right|^{1/2} \left\| w \right\|^{1/2} \left\| a \right\|^{1/2} \left| \text{Aa} \right|^{1/2} \\ &\quad + c \left| w \right|^{1/2} \left\| w \right\| \left| \text{Aw} \right|^{1/2} \right) \\ &\leqslant \frac{1}{\nu_{o}} \left( \left| f \right| + \frac{c\rho_{o}}{\lambda_{1}} + \frac{c\rho_{o}}{\lambda_{1}^{1/2}} \left\| w \right\| + \frac{c\rho_{o}}{\lambda_{1}^{1/4}} \left| w \right|^{1/2} \left\| w \right\|^{1/2} + c \left| w \right|^{1/2} \left\| w \right\| \left| \text{Aw} \right|^{1/2} \right) \\ &\leqslant \frac{c'}{\nu_{o}} \left( \left| f \right| + \rho_{o}^{2} + \frac{\rho_{o}}{\lambda_{m+1}^{1/2}} \left| \text{Aw} \right| + \frac{\rho_{o}}{\lambda_{m+1}^{3/4}} \left| \text{Aw} \right| + \frac{1}{\lambda_{m+1}} \left| \text{Aw} \right|^{2} \right) \\ &\leqslant \frac{c_{11}}{\nu_{o}} \left( \left| f \right| + \rho_{o}^{2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{m+1}} \left| \text{Aw} \right|^{2} \right) \end{split}$$

(where as always c, c', c, are various constants depending only on  $\Omega$ ). Therefore using (2.1.4)

(6.5.4) 
$$\left| AF(w) \right| \leq \frac{c_{12}}{v_o} \left( |f| + \rho_o^2 + \frac{1}{(m+1)^{2/n}} |Aw|^2 \right)$$

where  $c_{12}$  is an appropriate constant > 1 . In a similar manner, we write m = 8000

$$|AF(w) - AF(w')| \le \frac{1}{v_o} ||B(a, w-w')| + |B(w-w', a)| + |B(w-w', w)| + |B(w', w-w')|$$

$$\le \frac{c}{v_o} (|a|^{1/2} |Aa|^{1/2} ||w-w'|| + |w-w'|^{1/2} |A(w-w')|^{1/2} ||a||$$

$$+ |w-w'|^{1/2} |A(w-w')|^{1/2} ||w|| + |w'|^{1/2} |Aw'|^{1/2} ||w-w'||$$

$$\le \frac{c'}{v_o} (\frac{\rho_o}{\lambda_1^{1/2} \lambda_{m+1}^{1/2}} + \frac{|Aw| + |Aw'|}{\lambda_{m+1}}) |Aw-Aw'|$$

Thus

(6.5.5) 
$$|AF(w) - AF(w')| \le \frac{c_{13}}{v_0(m+1)^{1/n}} (\rho_0 + |Aw| + |Aw'|) |A(w-w')|$$
.

We take  $c_{10} = (2c_{12})$ . Then, because of (6.5.4), if

(6.5.6) 
$$(1+m)^{2/n} > \frac{c_{10}^2}{v_0^2} (|f| + \rho_0^2)$$

the function F maps the following set  $W_0$  into itself

$$W_{o} = \{ w \in H_{C} \cap \mathcal{D}_{A} | |Aw|^{2} \le \frac{c_{10}^{2}}{v_{0}} (|f| + \rho_{0}^{2}) .$$

With an appropriate constant  $c_{14} > c_{13}$ , (6.5.5) implies

(6.5.7) 
$$|A(F(w)-F(w'))| \leq \frac{c}{v_0(m+1)^{1/n}} (\rho_0 + \frac{|f| + \rho_0^2}{v_0^2}) |A(w-w')|$$

for each w, w  $\in$  W<sub>o</sub>. Chosing the constant  $^c_9 > \max(c_{10}, c_{14})$ , we immediately see that if m satisfies (6.5.1) then F is a strict contraction from W<sub>o</sub> into itself and thus there exists a unique  $w \in W_o$  such that F(w) = w.

This complete the proof of the Lemma.

Lemma 2. Under the assumptions of Lemma 1, let

(6.5.8) 
$$(m+1)^{1/n} \geqslant \frac{c_{15}}{v_0} \left(\rho_0 + \frac{|f| + \rho^2}{v_0^2} + (|f| + \rho_0^2)^{1/2}\right)$$

Proof. (In this proof again we omit the subscripts C).

For m satisfying (6.5.1), a, b  $\in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $|Aa| < \rho_0$  and  $\nu \in C$ ,  $|\nu| > \nu_0$ , we consider the following equation with unknown  $z \in Q \mapsto_C \cap \mathcal{D}_A$ :

(6.5.9) 
$$v Az + Q B(b+z,a+w) + Q B(a+w,b+z) = 0$$

where  $w = w_m(a)$ . For the mapping

$$z \mapsto G(z) = -v^{-1}A^{-1}[Q B(b+z,a+w) + Q B(a+w,b+z)]$$

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(6.5.10) 
$$|AG(z)| \leq \frac{c_{16}}{v_0} \left[ \rho_0 + \frac{c_{10}^2(|f| + \rho_0^2)}{v_0^2} \right] \left[ |Ab| + \frac{|Az|}{(m+1)^{1/n}} \right]$$

(6.5.11) 
$$|A(G(z)-G(z'))| \leq \frac{c_{17}}{(m+1)^{1/n} v_o} \left[ \rho_o + \frac{c_{10}^2(|f|+\rho_o^2)}{v_o^2} \right] |A(z-z')|.$$

Now if  $c_{18} = \max(c_{16}, c_{17})$  and if

(6.5.12) 
$$(m+1)^{2/n} \geqslant \frac{2c_{18}}{v_o^2} (\rho_o + \frac{c_{10}^2 (|f| + \rho_o^2)}{v_o^2})$$

we easily deduce from (6.5.10-11) that there exists a unique  $z=z_m(a)b$  which is solution of (6.5.9), i.e. G(z)=z, and such that

(6.5.13) 
$$|Az| \leq \frac{2c_{18}}{v_0} \left[ \rho_0 + \frac{c_{10}^2(|f|\rho_0^2)}{v_0^2} \right] |Ab|.$$

It follows from (6.5.11) that z is uniquely determined by (6.5.9), if we impose to z to satisfy furthermore (6.5.13). We conclude that  $b \mapsto z_m(a)b$  defines a linear continuous mapping from  $Q \mapsto \mathbb{E}_{C} \cap \mathcal{D}_{A}$  into itself (the space being normed by |Au|).

Now we will show that if m is sufficently large, then a  $\mapsto$  w = w<sub>m</sub>(a) is Frechet differentiable in  $\mathcal{D}_A$ , at each  $a \in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $|Aa| < \rho_0$ , and that  $w_m^i(a) = z_m(a)$ . In virtue of [28], this implies that  $w_m(a)$  is analytic in a . First we observe that we can prove without any difficulty (the technics are similar to those leading to (6.5.1)) that

(6.5.14) 
$$|A w_m(a+b) - A w_m(a)| \le \frac{c_{18}'}{v_o} \left[ \rho_o + \frac{c_{10}^2(|f| + \rho_o^2)}{v_o^2} \right] |Ab|,$$

for every a, b  $\in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $|Aa| < \rho_o$  and m satisfying (6.5.1). For m satisfying (6.5.1) and (6.5.12), let a,b  $\in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $|Aa| < \rho_o$ ,  $|A(a+b)| \le \rho_o$ ; we set  $w_1 = w_m(a+b)$ ,  $w = w_m(a)$  and  $z = z_m(a).b$ . Then

Using (2.1.5), (6.5.3) and (6.5.14) we obtain

$$|\nabla_{o}|A(w_{1}-w-z)| \leq c_{19}|Ab|^{2} \left\{ \frac{c_{18}^{\prime}}{v_{o}} \left[\rho_{o} + \frac{c_{10}^{2}(|f|+\rho_{o}^{2})}{v_{o}^{2}}\right] + 1 \right\}^{2}$$

$$+ \frac{c_{20}}{(m+1)}|A(w_{1}-w-z)| \left\{\rho_{o} + \frac{c_{10}^{2}}{v_{o}^{2}}(|f|+\rho_{o}^{2})\right\}$$

Thus taking in (6.5.8),  $c_{15} = c_{9} + 2c_{18}, c_{10}^2 + 2c_{20}(1+c_{10}^2)$ , the relation (6.5.15) can be writen

$$|A[w_{m}(a+b)-w_{m}(a)-z_{m}(a).b]| \le \frac{c_{21}}{v_{o}^{3}} (\rho_{o} + \frac{|f|+\rho_{o}^{2}}{v_{o}}) |Ab|^{2}$$

as is verified as soon as m verifies (6.5.8). This implies that  $w_m^*(a)$  exists and is equal to  $z_m(a)$ , and completes the proof of the Lemma.

Let now  $D_{m}(v_{0}, \rho_{0}) \subset C^{m+1}$  be the open set

(6.5.16) {
$$v \in C$$
,  $|v| > v_0$ } × { $\zeta \in C^m$ ,  $|A_{C}P_m\zeta| < \rho_0$ }

where for  $\zeta = \{\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_m\} \in C^m$ , we set

(6.5.17) 
$$p_{m} \zeta = \zeta_{1} w_{1} + \ldots + \zeta_{m} w_{m} .$$

Lemma 3. Under the assumptions of Lemma 2, we define the mapping  $\Theta(\nu,\zeta) = \Theta_{m}(\nu,\zeta,\nu_{0},\rho_{0})$  from  $D_{m}(\nu_{0},\rho_{0})$  in  $C^{m}$  by setting

(6.5.18) 
$$\Theta(v,\zeta) = P_{m,C} [vA_C p_m \zeta + B_C (p_m \zeta + w_m (v, p_m \zeta), p_m \zeta + w_m (v, p_m \zeta)) - f]$$

where  $w_m(v, p_m \zeta)$  represents the solution of (6.5.2) given by Lemma 1 for  $a = p_m \zeta$ .

Then the function  $\{v, \zeta\} \mapsto \Theta(v, \zeta)$  is analytic.

<u>Proof.</u> We have shown in Lemma 2 that  $w_m(v,a)$  is differentiable with respect to a . It is much easier to show with similar methods that, under the assumptions of Lemma 2,  $w_m(v,a)$  is also differentiable with respect to v,  $|v| > v_0$ . Hence,  $\Theta(v,\zeta)$  is separately analytic in v and  $\zeta$ . It follows then from a classical theorem of Hartogs that  $\Theta(v,\zeta)$  is analytic in  $\{v,\zeta\}$ .

6.6. <u>Lemma (Representation of stationary solutions)</u>.

We assume that

(6.6.1) 
$$0 < v_0 < c_{10}^2 \text{ and } \rho_0 > c_3 \frac{|f|}{v} (1 + \frac{|f|^2}{v})$$

where m satisfies to (6.5.8) and  $v > v_0$ .

Then  $u \in S(v)$  if and only if

(6.6.2) 
$$u = p_{m}\zeta + w_{m}(v, p_{m}\zeta),$$

where

(6.6.3) 
$$S \in D_{m}(v_{0},\rho_{0}) \cap \mathbb{R}^{m} \quad \underline{\text{and}} \quad \theta_{m}(v,\zeta,v_{0},\rho_{0}) = 0.$$

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $u \in S(f; v)$  and let  $\zeta \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be defined by  $P_m u = \zeta_1 w_1 + \ldots + \zeta_m w_m$ Because of (6.2.2)  $|Au| < \rho_0$ , and the assumptions (6.6.1) imply that

$$|A P_{m}u| \leq |Au| < \rho_{O},$$

(6.6.5) 
$$|A Q_{m}^{u}| < \rho_{o} < \frac{c_{10}}{v_{o}^{1/2}} (|f| + \rho_{o}^{2})^{1/2}$$
:

Applying the operator  $Q_m$  to (6.1.1) we obtain the equation (6.5.2) with  $a=P_m u=p_m \zeta$  and  $w=Q_m u$ . Due to Lemma 6.5.1, and (6.6.5), we see that  $Q_m u=w_m(p_m \zeta)$ . Introducing this value of  $w_m$  in (6.5.2) and applying  $P_m$  to the relation that we obtain, we arrive to  $\theta_m(v,\zeta;v_0,\rho_0)=0$ .

Conversely if u satisfies (6.6.2-3) then it is obvious that  $u \in S(f;v)$  since the mappings  $p_m$ ,  $w_m$ ,  $\theta_m$  are real (i.e.  $p_m \phi$ ,  $w_m (v, \psi) \in H$ ,  $\theta_m (v, \zeta) \in H$ , if  $\phi \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , resp.  $\{v, \psi\} \in \mathbb{R} \times H$ ,  $\{v, \zeta\} \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ ).

Taking into account Lemma 6.6 and Lemmas 6.5.2-3, we obtain the following

6.7. Corollary. The set S(v) = S(f;v) is for a fixed v (and  $f \in H$ ) a real analytical set of finite dimension in H (\*)

Moreover, proving as in Lemma 6.5.3 that  $w_m(v,p_m\xi)$  is analytic with

<sup>(\*)</sup> We use the usual definition of an analytical set; see for instance [28], ch.V.

respect to  $\{v,5\}$ ,  $\{v,5\} \in D_m(v_0,\rho_0)$ , we can prove as well that  $\bigcup_{v>v} S(f;v)$  is a real analytical set (in H) of finite dimension which has only one irreductible unbounded component (of dimension 1).

6.8. After Theorem 6.3, our main result on the structure of the set S(f;v) will be now the following.

Theorem 1. Let  $\forall > 0$  be fixed. Then for every generic f (i.e. for each  $f \in H \setminus E$ , where E is some rare set of H), the set  $S(f; \vee)$  of stationary solutions of Navier-Stokes equations (cf. (6.1.1)) is finite.

In fact we will prove a more precise result. Before stating this result, let us make preliminary remarks. In order to emphasize the dependance in f of the solution w of (6.5.2), we will denote this solution  $w_n(v,a;f)$  or  $w_n(a;f)$  instead of  $w_n(v,a)$ . For  $\rho>0$ , let us define  $\rho_0$  by

(6.8.1) 
$$\rho_0 = 1 + c_3 \frac{\rho}{v_0} \left(1 + \frac{\rho}{v_0^4}\right)$$

where  $v_0 = \frac{1}{2} \min \{c_{10}^2, v\}$ . With this choice of  $e_0$ , let m be the first integer m such that

(6.8.2) 
$$(m+1)^{2/n} \geqslant \frac{c_8 \rho^2}{v^4} (1 + \frac{\rho^2}{v^4})^2 + \frac{c_{15}}{v_0} + \frac{c_{15}}{v_0^2} (\rho_0^2 + \frac{\rho + \rho^2}{v_0})$$

(see (6.4.2) and (6.5.8).

We set then

(6.8.3) 
$$B(\rho) = \{f \in H, |f| < \rho\}$$

and let  $B_m(\rho)$  be the subset of  $f \in B(\rho)$  such that S(v,f) is finite and such that for each  $u \in S(v,f)$ , the following condition holds

If 
$$v \in \mathcal{D}_A$$

$$(6.8.4) \quad v \text{ Av} + B(u,v) + B(v,u) = 0$$
and
$$(6.8.5) \quad Q_m v = \left[\frac{D}{DS} w_m (p_m \varsigma; f) \middle|_{p_m \varsigma = P_m u}\right] \cdot \eta ,$$
where  $p_m \eta = P_m v$ , then  $v = 0$ .

Let 
$$B_{reg}(\rho) = \bigcup_{m=m\rho}^{\infty} B_m(\rho)$$
. Then

Theorem 2.  $B(\rho) \setminus B_{reg}(\rho)$  is rare in  $B(\rho)$  equiped with the strong topology of H.

Theorem 2 provides immediately a proof of Theorem 1 for which we can take

$$E = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} [B(k) \setminus B_{reg}(k)] .$$

For this reason the remaining part of this section is devoted to the proof of Theorem 2.

6.9. We first prove that if the set S(v,f) is not finite for some  $f \in B(\rho)$ , then necessarily there exists  $u_o \in S(f;v)$  and  $v_o \in \mathcal{G}_A$ ,  $v_o \ne 0$ , such that  $u = u_o$ ,  $v = v_o$  satisfy (6.8.4-5).

Assume that S(f;v) is not finite. Since it is a compact set of H , there exists a sequence  $u_j \in S(v)$  , (j=1,2,...) with mutually different elements, such that  $u_j$  converges strongly in H to some element  $u_j$  of S(f;v). The relations (6.8.2) and (6.4.1-2) give

$$(6.9.1) \begin{cases} |A(u_{j}-u_{o})|^{2} = |AP_{m}(u_{j}-u_{o})|^{2} + |AQ_{m}(u_{j}-u_{o})|^{2} \\ \leq \left[1 + c_{7}^{2} \frac{|f|^{2}}{\sqrt{4}} \left(1 + \frac{|f|^{2}}{\sqrt{4}}\right)^{2}\right] |AP_{m}(u_{j}-u_{o})|^{2} \\ \leq \left[1 + c_{7}^{2} \frac{\rho^{2}}{\sqrt{4}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho^{2}}{\sqrt{4}}\right)^{2}\right] \lambda_{m}^{2} |u_{j}-u_{o}|^{2}. \end{cases}$$

Thus if  $v_j = (u_j - u_o) |u_j - u_o|^{-1}$ , the sequence  $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded in  $\mathfrak{D}_A$ . We can extract a subsequence (still denoted  $v_j$ ) which converges weakly in  $\mathfrak{D}_A$  to some element  $v_o$ , i.e. A  $v_j$  converges weakly in H to Av<sub>o</sub>. By compacity,  $v_j$  converges to  $v_o$  strongly in H<sup>1</sup> and H, and  $|v_o| = 1$ . On the other hand

(6.9.2) 
$$|v| Av_{j} + B(u_{o}, v_{j}) + B(v_{j}, u_{o})| = |u_{j} - u_{o}| |B(v_{j}, v_{j})|$$

$$\leq c |u_{j} - u_{o}| |Av_{j}|^{1/2} ||v_{j}|^{1/2}$$

$$\leq c \lambda_{1}^{-1/2} |u_{j} - u_{o}| |Av_{j}|$$

and this converges to zero since  $|Av_j|$  is bounded (cf. (6.9.1)). We infer from the 3rd and 5th inequalities (2.2.5) that  $\phi \mapsto B(u_0, \phi)$  and  $\phi \mapsto B(\phi, u_0)$  are linear continuous mappings from  $H^1$  into H. Thus  $B(u_0, v_j) \to B(u_0, v_0)$ ,  $B(v_j, u_0) \to B(v_0, u_0)$  strongly in H, and, from (6.9.2)  $\vee$  A  $_j$  converges strongly in H to

$$v Av_{o} = - B(u_{o}, v_{o}) - B(v_{o}, u_{o})$$
.

There remains to prove that  $u = u_0$ , and  $v = v_0$  satisfy (6.8.5) too.

Let  $\xi_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , (j=0,1,2,...) be fefined by  $P_m u_j = P_m \xi_j$ . Then, in virtue of Section 6.6

$$\begin{cases} Q_{m} v_{j} = |u_{j} - u_{o}|^{-1} (Q_{m} u_{j} - Q_{m} u_{o}) = |u_{j} - u_{o}|^{-1} [w_{m} (p_{m} \xi_{j}, f) - w_{m} (p_{m} \xi_{o}, f)] \\ = |u_{j} - u_{o}|^{-1} \left\{ \left[ \frac{D}{D\xi_{o}} w_{m} (p_{m} \xi_{o}, f) \right] (\xi_{j} - \xi_{o}) + \varepsilon_{j} |p_{m} \xi_{j} - p_{m} \xi_{o}| \right\} \end{cases}$$

where  $|\epsilon_j| \to 0$  as  $j \to \infty$ . Let us set  $\eta_j = (\xi_j - \xi_o) |u_j - u_o|^{-1}$  and let  $\eta_o \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be defined by  $p_m \eta_o = P_m v_o$ . Then  $|p_m (\eta_j - \eta_o)| = |P_m (v_j - v_o)| \to 0$  as  $j \to \infty$ . Hence, letting  $j \to \infty$  in (6.9.3), we obtain (6.8.5) with  $u = u_o$ ,  $v = v_o$ , and this completes the proof of our assertion.

6.10. We now prove that  $B(\rho) \setminus B_m(\rho)$  is closed in  $B(\rho)$  (for the strong topology of H) .

Let  $f_j$  be a sequence of  $B(\rho) \setminus B_m(\rho)$  strongly convergent in H to some element f. As a consequence of the results of Section 6.9, for each j there exists  $u_j \in S(f_j, v)$  and  $v_j \in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $|v_j| = 1$ , such that  $u = u_j$  and  $v = v_j$  satisfy (6.8.4-5). Due to (6.2.2), we have

(6.10.1) 
$$M = \sup_{j} |Au_{j}| < + \infty.$$

Then, by extracting perhaps a subsequence, we can assume  $u_j$  is weakly convergent in  $\mathcal{D}_A$  to some limit  $u_o$ , i.e.  $Au_j \rightarrow Au_o$  weakly in H . On the other hand because of (2.2.2), (2.2.5) and (6.8.2)

Whence

(6.10.2) 
$$M_1 = \sup_{j} |Av_{j}| \le (c' Mv^{-1})^2 < + \infty.$$

After extraction of a subsequence, we can also assume that  $v_i$  converges weakly in  $\mathcal{Y}_A$  to some limit  $v_o$  (i.e.  $Av_j \rightarrow Av_o$  weakly in H). Now by compacity,  $u_j$  (resp.  $v_j$ ) converges to  $u_o$  (resp.  $v_o$ ) strongly in H<sup>1</sup> and H. Using again (2.2.5) and (6.10.1-2), we can write:

$$\begin{split} | \, B(v_{j}, u_{j}) \, - \, B(v_{o}, u_{o}) | \, & < \, | \, B(v_{j} - v_{o}, u_{j}) | \, + \, | \, B(v_{o}, u_{j} - u_{o}) | \\ & < \, c | \, v_{j} - v_{o} |^{1/2} \| v_{j} - v_{o} \|^{1/2} \| u_{j} \|^{1/2} \, M^{1/2} \, + \, c \, M_{1}^{1/2} \| u_{j} - u_{o} \| \, \, . \end{split}$$

Thus  $B(v_j,u_j) \to B(v_o,u_o)$ , strongly in H , and in the same manner we can prove that  $B(u_j,v_j) \to B(u_o,v_o)$  for the norm of H . This implies that

$$v Av_{i} = -B(v_{i},u_{i}) - B(u_{i},v_{i})$$

converges strongly in H to its limit  $\nu Av_0$ ,

$$v Av_{o} = - B(v_{o}, u_{o}) - B(u_{o}, v_{o})$$
,

and consequently u, v satisfy (6.8.4).

Finally it is easy to deduce from Lemmas 6.5.1-2, that

$$(w_{m}(a,f))_{a}^{!} = z_{m}(y_{a}^{!},f)$$
,

is continuous from  $\{a\in\mathcal{D}_A,\ |a|<\rho_o\}\times B(\rho)$  into the space of linear continuous operators on H (for instance we prove this fact for the mapping  $\{a,f\}\longrightarrow w(a,f)$  which is analytic on  $\{a\in\mathcal{D}_A,\ |a|<\rho_o\}\times \{f\in H_C,\ |f|<\rho\}$ , and we apply the

vectoriel form of the classical theorem of Cauchy; see  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ). Setting then  $f = f_j$ ,  $u = u_j$  and  $v = v_j$  in (6.8.5), we can easily let  $j \longrightarrow \infty$ , and conclude at the limit that  $u = u_o$ ,  $v = v_o$  satisfy (6.8.5).

Hence  $f \in B(\rho) \setminus B_m(\rho)$  and this completes the proof of this second assertion  $(B(\rho) \setminus B_m(\rho))$  is closed).

6.11. In order to achieve the proof of Theorem 2 it will be sufficent to show that the set  $B_{reg}(\rho)$  is dense in  $B(\rho)$ . But since

$$\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} (B(\rho) \cap P_N^H)$$

is dense in B(p) and since for  $m \gg \max \left\{ N \,, m_{\,p} \right\}$  , we have

$$\mathtt{B}(\rho) \; \cap \; \mathtt{P}_{N}\mathtt{H} \; \subset \; \mathtt{B}(\rho) \; \cap \; \mathtt{P}_{m}\mathtt{H} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathtt{B}_{m}(\rho) \subset \mathtt{B}_{\text{reg}}(\rho)$$

it will suffice to prove that for such an m ,  $B(\rho) \bigcap P_m^{}H$  is in the closure (in  $B(\rho))$  of  $B_m^{}(\rho)$  .

For proving that we first observe that since the mapping

$$Q: u \mapsto \forall Au + B(u,u)$$

is continuous form  $\mathcal{D}_A$  into H , the set  $\mathfrak{A}^{-1}$   $B_m(\rho)$  is open in  $\mathcal{D}_A$  . On the other hand, in virtue of section 6.6,  $u\in\mathfrak{A}^{-1}\big[B(\rho)\cap P_mH\big]$  if and only if for one  $g\in B(\rho)\cap P_mH$  , we have

(6.11.1) 
$$P_m u = P_m f$$
 and  $Q_m u = w_m (P_m f, g)$ ,

where  $\mathcal{G}$  satisfies (6.6.4). Since  $Q_{m,C}g=Q_mg=0$ ,  $w_m$  is independent of  $g\in B(\rho)\cap P_mH$  and the condition (6.6.5) becomes (see (6.5.1))

(6.11.2) 
$$g = P_m [v Ap_m + B(p_m + w_m(p_m + g), p_m + w_m(p_m + g))]$$
.

Hence the mapping  $u\to \mathcal{G}=\mathbb{N}u$ , where u and  $\mathcal{G}$  are linked by (6.11.1), is an homeomorphism from  $\mathfrak{A}^{-1}[B(\rho)\cap P_mH]$  on some open set G of  $\{\mathcal{G}\in\mathbb{R}^m, |Ap_m\mathcal{G}|<\rho_o\}$  Furthermore if  $\mathcal{U}$  denotes the mapping  $\mathbb{N}^{-1}$  form G into  $\mathfrak{A}^{-1}[B(\rho)\cap P_mH]$  we will have

(6.11.3) 
$$U(\zeta) = p_m \zeta + w_m(p_m \zeta, g)$$
,

and, by Lemma 5.5.2,  $\mathfrak U$  is analytic from G into  $\mathfrak D_A$ . It is then clear that the function  $\zeta \longmapsto \mathfrak Q \, \mathfrak U(\zeta)$  is differentiable with differential (apply the chain rule differentiation)

$$(6.11.4) \quad \frac{D}{D\zeta} \, \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{U}(\zeta)) \cdot \eta = v \, A \, \mathcal{U}'(\zeta) \cdot \eta + B(\mathcal{U}(\zeta), \mathcal{U}'(\zeta)_{\eta}) + B(\mathcal{U}'(\zeta) \cdot \eta, \mathcal{U}(\zeta))$$

$$(\zeta \in G, \, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^{m}) \, .$$

Let now  $\Phi$  denote the analytic function  $\zeta \mapsto \eta$  from G into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , where  $\eta$  is determined by  $p_m \zeta = P_m \mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{A}(\zeta))$ . Because of (6.11.2) we have

(6.11.5) 
$$\alpha(\mathcal{U}(\zeta)) = p_m \phi(\zeta) \qquad (\zeta \in G)$$

and therefore

(6.11.6) 
$$p_{m} \Phi(G) = B(\rho) \bigcap P_{m} H = p_{m} \{ n \in \mathbb{R}^{m}, | P_{m \zeta} | < \rho \} .$$

Now let  $G_1$  be the subset of points of G where the Jacobian  $\det \phi'(\zeta)$  of  $\phi$  is 0. We infer from the classical theorem of Sard (see [39], p.13) that the Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  of  $\phi(G_1)$  is 0. Consequently  $p_m[\phi(G) \land \phi(G_1)]$  is dense in  $B(\rho) \cap P_mH$ , and the proof will be complete if we show that

$$(6.11.7) p_{m}[\phi(G) \setminus \phi(G_{1})] \subset B_{m}(\rho) .$$

If this inclusion is not true, Section 6.9 shows us the existence of  $f \in p_m[\phi(G) \setminus \phi(G_1)]$ ,  $u \in S(\nu,f)$ ,  $v \in \mathcal{D}_A$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , satisfying (6.8.4-5). Then (6.8.5) and (6.11.3) imply that  $v = \mathfrak{U}'(\varsigma) \cdot \eta$ , and because of (6.11.3-5) and (6.8.4) we have

$$p_{m} \phi'(\zeta) \cdot n = v Av + B(u,v) + B(v,u) = 0$$

and necessarily  $\zeta \in G_1$  ,  $f = p_m \ \phi(\zeta) \in \phi(G_1)$  which contradicts the definition of f.

The proof of Theorem 2 is complete.

### §.7. Connections with the theory of turbulence.

7.1. There are several distinct mathematical points of view on the turbulence. Some do not involve the Navier-Stokes equations (example: [25]; see also [26], [27]) others do involve the Navier-Stokes equations, but essentially without any boundary conditions (as for instance in the case of the theory of homogeneous turbulence [5], [30]). Finally there are some points of view which are a priori suited also for the Navier-Stokes equations on bounded fixed domains. Since this is the boundary problem considered in the present paper we will try now to discuss some of these last points of view in the light of our previous results and methods.

First of all these last points of view can be further divided into two groups. The first group contains those views which consider that the irregularity and the randomness of the turbulent flows are due to the same character of their initial states. The second group contains those views which consider that these irregularity and randomness are produced by the Navier-Stokes equations even if the initial states are neither irregular nor random. As we will show below the results of this paper are pertinent to this second group. (For the first group we refer to [17], [29], [10], [14],...)

7.2. The oldest mathematical attempt is due to Reynolds [34], who proposed the study of the time averages

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t u(\tau) d\tau = \left\{ \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t u_j(\tau, x) d\tau \right\}_{j=1}^n$$

of a flow  $u(t) = \{u(t,x)\}_{j=1}^n$  (n=2 or 3), for convenient large t. Plainly, in virtue of the results in sections 3.1-4, this study is equivalent to that of the means

$$\overline{\mathbf{u}} = \int \mathbf{u} \ d\mu(\mathbf{u})$$

where µ stands for an accretive stationary statistical solution. Thus the study of these statistical solutions will include any Reynolds type theory.

Another old point of view on turbulence belongs to Leray [22], for whom an individual solution u(t) is turbulent whenever it is not regular on any interval  $[0,T]\subset [0,\infty]$  though  $u(0)=u_0\in H^1$ . In other words, turbulence in Leray's sense exists if and only if  $t(u_0)<\infty$  (see sections 2.6 and 3.6) for some  $u_0\in H^1$ .

- 7.3. Other views on the occurrence of turbulence was proposed by Landau (see for instance [20]) and Hopf [16]. Essentially these views can be reduced to the following: for given >>0 there exists an asymptotic attractor (see sec. 3.8) M, uniquely determined, enjoying the following properties:
  - (i) M, is a finite dimensional manifold.
- (ii)  $M_v$  is the closure of its almost periodic trajectories (i.e. the closure in H of the union of the sets  $\{U(t): -\infty < t < \infty\}$ , where U(t) is an almost periodic H-valued function and  $U(t+t_o)$  is an individual solution for any  $t_o \in (-\infty,\infty)$
- (iii) If  $d_{\nu} = \dim M_{\nu} > 0$  there exists at least one non stationary individual solution lying in  $M_{\nu}$ .
- (iv)  $d_v / \infty$  for v > 0 (this assumption corresponds to the development of more turbulence with the increase of the Reynolds number).

We will refer in the sequel to this kind of behaviour as <u>turbulence in the</u> sense of Landau-Hopf.

- 7.4. A related view on turbulence was proposed by Ruelle and Takens [35], [36], [37], which in our frame can be sumarized as follows: For v>0 enough small there exists an asymptotic attractor. A with a number of strange properties, among which we quote the following: A is the closure of its non-stationary periodic trajectories. This behaviour will be called in the sequel, turbulence in the sense of Ruelle-Takens.
- 7.5. It is well known that in the case n=2 (i.e. the case of plane fluids), turbulence in the sense of Leray does not occur. Our Theorems 5.4 (i), (iii) and 5.7 plainly implies that in this case also turbulences in the sense of Landau-Hopf or Ruelle-Takens do not occur.

These mathematical facts seem to confirm the experimental point of view that in laboratory no plane turbulence can occur.

7.6. One of the hardest open problem in the study of the Navier-Stokes equations is that of the existence of the turbulence in some of the above senses, for three dimensional fluids (i.e. the case n=3). There seems to exist a strong believe that one of the turbulence in the sense of Landau-Hopf or Ruelle-Takens does not exist in this case (see for instance [9]). It is plain that our Theorem 5.4 (i), (iii) and 5.7 yields also the following: In case n=3, if turbulence in the sense of Landau-Hopf or in the sense of Ruelle-Takens does not exist, then there exists also turbulence in the sense of Leray.

7.7. We wish now to discuss also another view on turbulence due to Bass [4]. In order to present it, let us call <u>pseudo-random</u> an  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued bounded function  $\phi(t) = (\phi_j(t))_{j=1}^n$  (n=2 or 3) defined on  $[0,\infty)$  satisfying the following conditions

(i) 
$$\lim_{T\to\infty}\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T\phi_i(t+\tau)\ \phi_j(t)\ dt=\phi_{ij}(\tau)\ \text{ exists for any }\tau\in[0,\infty)\ \text{ and }$$

 $1 \le i, j \le n$ ;

(ii) 
$$(\Phi_{ij}(\tau))_{i,j=1}^{n} \neq 0 \text{ on } (0,\infty);$$

(iii) 
$$\Phi_{ij}(\tau) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } \tau \rightarrow \infty$$

for any  $1 \le i, j \le n$ . For Bass a flow  $u(t) = \{u_j(t,x)\}_{j=1}^n$  is turbulent if the  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued function  $t \mapsto \{u_j(t,x_0)\}_{j=1}^n$  is pseudo-random for at least some  $x_0 \in \Omega$ . We will refer to such a flow as <u>turbulence</u> in the sense of Bass (Actually the definition of Bass is more restringent, but for our purposes the above one is sufficient.)

7.8. Proposition. (i) In case n=2, there exists no turbulence in the sense of Bass.

(ii) In case n=3, if turbulence in the sense of Bass exists, there exists also turbulence in the sense of Leray.

<u>Proof.</u> Let us assume that turbulence in the sense of Leray does not exist. (In the case n=2 this assumption is automatically satisfied.) Then if  $C_1(T,R)$  denotes the supremum (5.7.2) we have for any individual solution u(t), such that  $u(0) = u_0 \in H^1$ , the following global estimate

(7.8.1) 
$$\|u(t)\| \leq C_1(1,R_{u_0})$$

where

(7.8.2) 
$$R_{u_o}^2 = \max \{ \|u_o\|^2, \frac{1}{\nu} |u_o|^2 + \frac{|f|^2}{\nu^2 \lambda_1} \}.$$

Indeed for  $t \in [0,1]$  we have  $\|u(t)\| \le C_1(1,\|u_0\|) \le C(1,R_u)$ . Moreover for  $t \in [1,\infty]$  we have (by (2.3.5))

$$\int_{t-1}^{t} \|\mathbf{u}(\tau)\|^{2} d\tau \leq \frac{1}{\nu} e^{-\lambda_{1} t} |\mathbf{u}(0)|^{2} + \frac{|\mathbf{f}|^{2}}{\nu^{2} \lambda_{1}} \leq R_{\mathbf{u}_{0}}^{2}$$

henceforth there exists  $t_0 \in (t-1,t)$  such that  $\|u(t_0)\| \le R_u$  and consequently  $\|u(t)\| = \|RS(t-t_0)u(t_0)\| \le C_1(1,R_u)$ . Thus (7.8.1-2) is checked. Using Lemma 4.2 we can now easily infer that

(7.8.3) 
$$u(t) \in C((0,\infty), \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda})$$

and

(7.8.4) 
$$|Au(t+1)| \le C_2(R_u)$$
 (t>0)

where  $C_{2}(R)$  is a finite real function defined on  $\left[0,\infty\right]$  .

Let now  $u_o(t) = \{u_{oj}(t,x)\}_{j=1}^n$  be an individual solution turbulent in the sense of Bass and let  $x_o \in \Omega$  be a point such that  $\{u_{oj}(t,x_o)\}_{j=1}^n$  is pseudorandom (in the sense defined in sec. 7.7). This in particular means that

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}\frac{1}{T}\int_{1}^{T}u_{oj}(t+\tau,x_{o})u_{oj}(t,x_{o})dt = \beta_{ij}(\tau)$$

exists for any  $\tau \in \left[0,\infty\right]$  and  $1 \leqslant i,j \leqslant n$ , or equivalently

(7.8.5) 
$$|\sum_{i,j=1}^{n} (\beta_{ij}(\tau,T) - \beta_{ij}(\tau)) \xi_{i} \eta_{j}| \leq \varepsilon_{1}(T) (\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2})^{1/2} (\sum_{i=1}^{n} \eta_{i}^{2})^{1/2}$$

where  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are arbitrary,  $\epsilon_1(T) \longrightarrow 0$  for  $T \longrightarrow \infty$  and

(7.8.6) 
$$\beta_{ij}(\tau,T) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{0}^{T} u_{oi}(t+\tau,x_{o}) u_{oj}(t,x_{o}) dt \qquad (T>1) .$$

Let now  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be fixed and let  $\Delta_p \in L^2(\Omega)$  (p=1,2,...) be such that

(7.8.7) 
$$\|\delta_{\mathbf{x}_0} - \Delta_{\mathbf{p}}\| = \epsilon_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{p}) \longrightarrow 0 \text{ for } \mathbf{p} \longrightarrow \infty,$$

where  $\delta_{\mathbf{x}_0}$  denotes the Dirac functional in  $\mathbf{x}_0$  which obviously  $\in (\mathbb{H}^2(\Omega))'$ . Set  $h_p = P(\xi \otimes \Delta_p)$ ,  $k_p = P(\eta \otimes \Delta_p)$ , where as usual P denotes the orthogonal projection of  $(L^2(\Omega))^n$  on H and where, for instance,  $\xi \otimes \Delta_p$  denotes the  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued function  $\{\xi_j \Delta_p(\mathbf{x})\}_{j=1}^n$ , obviously belonging to  $(L^2(\Omega))^n$ . Finally let us se

$$\beta_{p}(\tau,T) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{1}^{T} (u_{o}(t+\tau),h_{p})(u_{o}(t),k_{p}) dt$$
 (T>1).

Then (for  $T \ge 1$ )

$$\begin{split} \left| \hat{\beta}_{p}^{n}(\bar{\tau}, T) - \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \hat{\beta}_{ij}(\tau) \; \xi_{i} \eta_{j} \right| &\leq \frac{1}{T} \left| \int_{1}^{T} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \left[ \langle \Delta_{p}, u_{oi}(t+\tau) \rangle \langle \Delta_{p}, u_{oj}(t) \rangle - u_{oi}(t+\tau, x_{o}) \right] \\ & \cdot u_{oj}(t, x_{o}) \right] \xi_{i} \; \eta_{j} \; dt \right| \\ & + \left| \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \left( \beta_{ij}(\tau, T) - \beta_{ij}(\tau) \right) \xi_{i} \; \eta_{j} \right| \\ &\leq 2 \varepsilon_{2}(p) \; C_{2}(R_{u_{o}(0)})^{2} \; \sup \left\| \Delta_{p} \right\|_{(H^{2}(\Omega))}, \; \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \left| \xi_{i} \right| \left| \eta_{j} \right| \\ & + \varepsilon_{1}(T) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \eta_{j}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \end{split}$$

that is

$$(7.8.8) \qquad \left|\beta_{p}(\tau,T) - \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{ij}(\tau)\xi_{i} \eta_{j}\right| \leq (\epsilon_{3}(p) + \epsilon_{1}(T)) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2}\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \eta_{j}^{2}\right)^{1/2}$$

where  $\epsilon_3(p) \to 0$  for  $p \to \infty$ , and neither  $\epsilon_3$  nor  $\epsilon_1$  do not depend on  $\tau \in \left[0,\infty\right]$ . On the other hand, if for  $m,p=1,2,\ldots$  and  $\tau \in \left[0,\infty\right)$  fixed we set

(7.8.9) 
$$\phi(u) = (RS(\tau) P_m u, h_p)(u, k_p),$$

the functional  $\Phi$  belongs to  $\mathscr C$  (see sec. 3.1). Thus if  $\mu$  is any time average of the individual solution  $u_0(t)$  (see sec. 3.1), there exists a sequence  $1 \leqslant T_1 < T_2 < \ldots \longrightarrow \infty$  such that

(7.8.10) 
$$\int \Phi(u) \ d\mu(u) = \lim_{j \to \infty} \frac{1}{T_j} \int_{0}^{T_j} \Phi(u_0(t)) \ dt .$$

But, in virtue of sections 3.2-5,  $\mu \in \mathcal{S}_a(f;v)$ , so that, by Theorems 5.3 and 5.7,

supp 
$$\mu \subset S(f, \nu)$$

It results

(7.8.11) 
$$\int \phi(u) \ d\mu(u) = \int (P_m u, h_p)(u, k_p) \ d\mu(u) .$$

Since

$$\begin{split} \left|\frac{1}{T_{\mathbf{j}}}\int_{1}^{T_{\mathbf{j}}} \Phi\left(u_{o}(t)\right) \mathrm{d}t &-\beta_{p}(\tau, T_{\mathbf{j}}) \right| \leqslant \frac{1}{T_{\mathbf{j}}} (C_{2}(R_{u_{o}(0)}))^{2} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \left|\xi_{i}\right| \left|\eta_{j}\right|\right) \left(\sup_{D} \left\|\Delta_{p}\right\|_{(H^{2}(\Omega))}\right)^{2} \\ &\cdot \int_{1}^{T_{\mathbf{j}}} \left|A\left[RS(\tau) \ u_{o}(t) - RS(\tau) \ P_{m} \ u_{o}(t)\right]\right| \ \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leqslant C\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2}\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \eta_{j}^{2}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{T_{\mathbf{j}}} \int_{0}^{C} \left|A\left[RS(\tau) \ u_{o}(t) - RS(\tau) \ P_{m} \ u_{o}(t)\right] \right| \ \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leqslant C_{o}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2}\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \eta_{j}^{2}\right)^{1/2} C\left(\tau, m\right) , \end{split}$$

where  $C_{0}$  is a constant with respect to j, p, m and  $\tau$  , while

(7.8.12) 
$$C(\tau,m) = \sup\{|A[RS(\tau)u - RS(\tau)P_mu] : |Au| \le C_2(R_{u_0}(0))\},$$

from (7.8.8-11), we can plainly infer

$$\begin{split} & \left| \int (P_{m}u,h_{p})(u,k_{p}) d\mu(u) - \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{ij}(\tau)\xi_{i} \eta_{j} \right| \\ & \leq \left[ \varepsilon_{3}(p) + C_{o} \cdot C(\tau,m) \right] \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \eta_{j}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \end{split}$$

whence

(7.8.B) 
$$|\beta_{ij}(\tau_1) - \beta_{ij}(\tau_2)| \le 2 \varepsilon_3(p) + C_0[C(\tau_1,m) + C(\tau_2,m)]$$

for any  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2 \in [0,\infty]$  and  $1 \le i$ ,  $j \le n$ . In (7.8.13), p and m (= 1,2,...) are at our disposal. Letting p, m  $\longrightarrow \infty$ , and using the fact that

$$C(\tau,m) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } m \rightarrow \infty \quad (\tau>0)$$

(which results readily from (5.7.4-5) and Corollary 1.9, (1.9.3) of  $[\ ]$ , Ch.III), we obtain

(7.8.14) 
$$\beta_{ij}(\tau_1) = \beta_{ij}(\tau_2)$$
  $(\tau_1, \tau_2 \in (0, \infty), 1 \le i, j \le n)$ .

Since  $\{u_{0j}(t,x_0)\}_{j=1}^n$  is pseudo-random we must have (see sec. 7.7.(iii)),  $\beta_{ij}(\tau) \rightarrow 0$  for  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ , thus, by (7.8.14),

(7.8.15) 
$$(\beta_{ij}(\tau))_{i,j=1}^{n} \equiv 0 \text{ on } (0,\infty),$$

in contradiction with the property (ii) in sec. 7.7. Thus, if turbulence in the sense of Leray does not exist, neither does exist turbulence in the sense of Bass.

7.9. The results in §.5 explain why whenever Bifurcation Theory was successfully applied to produce periodic, or more general almost periodic, individual solutions for the Navier-Stokes equations (see for instance [18] and [38]), the boundary value problem involved was different of the classical Dirichlet type one we considered in this paper. Indeed for this classical boundary value problem our results show that, at least in case n=2, no non stationary periodic or almost periodic individual solutions exist. In particular this implies, via the Bifurcation Theory (see for instance [38]), a very peculiar spectral behaviour of the operator

(7.9.1) 
$$A_{u}v = v Au + B(u,v) + B(v,u)$$
  $(v \in \mathcal{D}_{A})$ 

in H, where  $u \in \mathcal{D}_A$  plays the role of a parameter. Therefore this raises the question if, again in case n=2, the set S(f,v) of all stationary individual solutions is not a singleton. This would constitute a substantial improvement of our results in §.6. However this seems rather improbable to happen.

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