Title of Project : New development of mathematical theory of turbulence by collaboration of the nonlinear analysis and computational fluid dynamics

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【Purpose and Background of the Research】

The Navier-Stokes equations have been investigated widely in both theoretical and experimental fields. The mathematical study on the Navier-Stokes equations was founded by Leray.

The principal investigator Kozono and Kagei obtained several remarkable results in area of pure mathematical analysis.It turns out that the numerical simulation recently gives corresponding results which guarantee from viewpoint of fluid dynamics. In comparison with the numerical simulation, the advantage of the technique of harmonic analysis makes it possible to handle the asymptotic behavior of physical quantities as the parameter goes to infinity.

Such a mathematical method to deal with the exact quantity as the limit of those in finite regions gives us an essential breakthrough in the numerical simulation in theory of turbulence.

On the other hand, Kaneda together with Yoshimatsu has performed of the computational science and statistical theory of turbulence study. He has the results on the realization of the Direct Numerical Simulation (=DNS) in the world maximum scale about the uniformly isotropic turbulence. In addition, he proceeds to the DNS of the high Reynolds number with the world maximum size about the turbulence between two parallel flat boards.

Kaneda is evaluated as the leader developing the spectrum statistics theory of turbulence.

【Research Methods】

This project aims to establish a new theory of nonlinear dynamics for super large degree of freedom including the turbulence in the fluid mechanics in terms of the nonlinear analysis and the computational fluid dynamics. So, we propose the following four projects (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv);

(i) Harmonic analysis, singular limit and estimates of effect on the finiteness
(ii) Mathematical analysis of boundary layer and viscosity limit
(iii) Elucidation of the universal law of turbulence; small and large scales
(iv)Information abridgement technique, prediction possibility and reliable evaluation

The method dealing with infinity and the mathematical analysis such as the limiting procedure give us the elucidation of the turbulence phenomenon requiring a large-scale calculation.

We will improve a poor turbulence theory without rigorously mathematical convention, and then construct a new knowledge of turbulence with information abridgement technique.

As a result, reliable turbulence theory which do not depend on a law learned by experience or by intuition excessively will be largely accelerated.

【Expected Research Achievements and Scientific Significance】

It is well-known that the Clay Math. Institute proposes seven important Millennium problems, where the existence of the global classic solution to the Navier-Stokes equations is selected.

On the other hand, our DNS of the uniformly isotropic turbulence is by far the larger computational performance so that it can deal with the turbulent fluid with the high Reynolds number without any error of the experiment and indeterminacy.

Our study is based on the DNS of such a world highest standard of Kaneda's research group, and we are going to overcome difficulty of turbulence with the high Reynolds number.

In this way, our research projects develop the modern mathematical analysis, the applied mathematics, computational science and hydrodynamics and will lead the relevant subjects to the world-wide level.

【Publications Relevant to the Project】

・ Kozono, Harmonic analytic research on stationary and nonstationary problems for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation. (Japanese) Sugaku 67 (2015), no. 2, 113-132.
・ Kozono, Amann, Giga etal., Recent Developments of Mathematical Fluid Mechanics, Birkhaeser-Verlag 2016.

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  http://www.math.sci.waseda.ac.jp/math/