

Calderón-Zygmund theory for nonlinear partial differential equations

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I. Review on Calderón-Zygmund regularity theory and research problems

Review of regularity theory for PDE

- **Calderón-Zygmund's theory** (1952): If u is a weak solution of the linear equation

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}_0(x, t)\nabla u] = \operatorname{div}[F], \quad \text{in } Q_2 := B_2 \times (-4, 4),$$

and if \mathbb{A}_0 is **uniformly elliptic and continuous**, it holds that ($q \geq 2$)

$$\left(\int_{Q_1} |\nabla u|^q dxdt \right)^{1/q} \leq C(n, q) \left\{ \left(\int_{Q_2} |\nabla u|^2 dxdt \right)^{1/2} + \left(\int_{Q_2} |F|^q dxdt \right)^{1/q} \right\}$$

- **Remark 1**: The class of equations, and the estimates are invariant under the scalings and dilations:

$$u \mapsto \hat{u} := u/\lambda, \quad \text{and} \quad u \mapsto u_r(x, t) := u(rx, r^2t)/r.$$

- **Remark 2**: Techniques in the proof rely on the scalings and dilations.

- The C-Z theory has been extended to the class of nonlinear equations

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t, \nabla u)] = \operatorname{div}[F]$$

Refs: F. Chiarenza-M. Frasca-A. Longo (1991), L. Caffarelli-I. Peral (1998); Maugeri - D.K. Pagalachev - L. G. Softova (2003), E. Acerbi- G. Mingione (2007), N. Krylov (2000s), S. Byun - L. Wang (2004 -2017),...

- Though nonlinear, this class of equations is **invariant under the scalings and dilations**.
- This is essential because the proof relies on the scalings and dilations.

- **Goals:** Establish estimates of C-Z type for more general class of nonlinear (elliptic/parabolic) equations

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t, u, \nabla u) + \mathbf{b}u] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f.$$

- **Obvious issue:** Due to the dependent of \mathbb{A} on u , this class of equations is **not invariant under the scalings and the dilations.**

II. Calderón-Zygmund regularity results for cross-diffusion systems

A class of nonlinear diffusion equations

- Consider the equation (Gurney and Nisbet - 1975)

$$v_t - \operatorname{div}[(1 + \gamma v)\nabla v] = v[1 - g(x, t) - v] \quad \text{in } \Omega_T := \Omega \times (0, T),$$

where $g : \Omega_T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a given measurable function, and $\gamma \geq 0$.

- When $\gamma = 0$, the equation is just the standard reaction-diffusion equation.
- **Remark 1:** In our setting $\mathbb{A}(x, t, v, \nabla v) = (1 + \gamma v)\nabla v$. Hence, \mathbb{A} depends on v as its variable.
- **Remark 2:** If $g \in L^q$, with $q > (n + 2)/2$, the De Giorgi-Nash-Moser theory implies that **bounded solution** v is C^α .
- **Goal:** To control $\|\nabla v\|_{L^q}$ by $\|g\|_{L^q}$. This is important b/c **when** $q \leq (n + 2)/2$ the De Giorgi-Nash-Moser theory does not apply.

Nonlinear C-Z estimate

Theorem (L. Hoang, T. Nguyen, T. P. - SIMA (2015))

Let \mathbb{A}_0 be uniformly elliptic measurable matrix, $v_0 \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ be non-negative, and let $g \in L^q(\Omega_T)$ be non-negative with $q \geq 2$. There exists unique weak bounded solution v of

$$v_t = \operatorname{div}[(1 + v)\mathbb{A}_0(x, t)\nabla v] + v[1 - g(x, t) - v] \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T)$$

with homogeneous Neumann boundary condition and with $v(\cdot, 0) = v_0(\cdot)$. Moreover, if $[[\mathbb{A}_0]]_{\text{BMO}} \ll 1$, then for $\bar{t} \in (0, T)$

$$\|\nabla v\|_{L^q(\Omega \times (\bar{t}, T))} \leq C(n, T, \bar{t}, q, \|v\|_{L^\infty}) \left[1 + \|g\|_{L^q(\Omega \times (0, T))} \right].$$

Proof.

Key ingredients: Perturbation technique, “scaling parameter equation technique”, and maximum principle. □

An application: SKT cross-diffusion model

- Let $u(x, t)$ and $v(x, t)$ be two physical/biological quantities (population densities).
- The two species compete, diffuse randomly and move to avoid overcrowding.
- *Shigesada-Kawasaki-Teramoto* model (1979):

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta[(d_1 + a_{11}u + a_{12}v)u] + u(a_1 - b_1u - c_1v), & \Omega \times (0, T), \\ v_t = \Delta[(d_2 + a_{22}v)v] + v(a_2 - b_2u - c_2v), & \Omega \times (0, T), \end{cases}$$

with the initial condition

$$u(\cdot, 0) = u_0(\cdot) \geq 0, \quad v(\cdot, 0) = v_0(\cdot) \geq 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

- $d_k, a_k, b_k, c_k > 0$ and $a_{ij} \geq 0$ are constants.

- H. Amann (series of 3 papers (1988 - 1990)): For $q > n$, and initial data $u_0, v_0 \in W^{1,q}(\Omega)$, there is $T_{\max} > 0$ such that the system has unique non-negative solution:

$$(u, v) \in C((0, T_{\max}), W^{1,q}(\Omega) \times W^{1,q}(\Omega)).$$

- Lou-Ni-Wu (1998): Unique global-time smooth solution when $n = 2$
- Other work: Y. Choi-R. Lui-Y. Yamada (2003-2004), D. Le (2003-2005), P. During, A. Jungel, J. U. Kim, S.-A. Shim, A. Yagi, ...: Restrictive conditions on the coefficients or $n \leq 4$.
- T. P. (2007-2008): $n \leq 9$.
- When $n \geq 10$, the existence of global-time smooth solutions was an open question.

Global-time smooth solutions of the SKT system

Theorem (L. Hoang, T. Nguyen, T. P. - SIMA (2015))

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be open, bounded and smooth for *any* $n \geq 2$, and let $u_0, v_0 \in W^{1,q}(\Omega)$ and non-negative with $q > n$. Then, the system

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta[(d_1 + a_{11}u + a_{12}v)u] + u(a_1 - b_1u - c_1v), & \Omega \times (0, \infty), \\ v_t = \Delta[(d_2 + a_{22}v)v] + v(a_2 - b_2u - c_2v), & \Omega \times (0, \infty), \end{cases}$$

together with homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions and initial conditions $u(x, 0) = u_0(x)$, $v(x, 0) = v_0(x)$ has *unique, global-time* smooth solution u, v with

$$u, v \in C([0, \infty); W^{1,q}(\Omega)) \cap C^\infty(\bar{\Omega} \times (0, \infty)).$$

Note: This theorem solves an open problem initiated by H. Amann (1988), and asked by Y. Yamada (2009).

- Our system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta[(d_1 + a_{11}u + a_{12}v)u] + u(a_1 - b_1u - c_1v), \\ v_t = \Delta[(d_2 + a_{22}v)v] + v(a_2 - b_2u - c_2v). \end{cases}$$

- By H. Amann's theorem, we need to control the local-time solution (with $q > n$)

$$\sup_{0 < t < T} \left[\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,q}(\Omega)} + \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,q}(\Omega)} \right] < \infty?$$

- When $n = 2$, Lou-Ni-Wu carefully used energy estimates, interpolation inequalities to obtain the estimate with some $q > 2$.
- The problem is more challenging for large n .

Our approach

- The first equation can be rewritten as

$$u_t = \operatorname{div}[(d_1 + 2a_{11}u + a_{12}v)\nabla u + a_{12}u\nabla v] + u(a_1 - b_1u - c_1v).$$

Lemma 1: There exists $\alpha = \alpha(n) > 1$ such that

$$\|u\|_{L^{\alpha q}(\Omega_T)} \leq C(n, q, T) \left[1 + \|\nabla v\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)} \right], \quad \forall q \geq 2.$$

- The second equation is rewritten as

$$v_t = \operatorname{div}[(d_2 + 2a_{22}v)\nabla v] + v(a_2 - b_2u - c_2v).$$

This is the Gurney-Nisbet equation that we considered.

Lemma 2: Our C-Z theorem gives

$$\|\nabla v\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)} \leq C(n, T, q) \left[1 + \|u\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)} \right], \quad \forall q \geq 2.$$

- Iterate the two lemmas, we can control $\|u\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)}, \|\nabla v\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)}$ for q that is as large as we want.

Summary (of Part II)

Summary:

- C-Z estimate is established for **bounded, weak solutions** of

$$v_t = \operatorname{div}[(1 + v)\mathbb{A}_0(x, t)\nabla v] + v(1 - g - v), \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T)$$

- The theory is applied to solve an open problem for the SKT system.

Questions:

- $W^{1,q}$ -regularity theory for **bounded weak solutions** of more general class of equations

$$u_t = \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t, u, \nabla u)] + \operatorname{div}[F] + f(x, t).$$

(Note: Only C^α and $C^{1,\alpha}$ theory is extensively studied.)

- Can we relax the **boundedness** assumption on the solutions?

III. Calderón-Zygmund regularity results for general nonlinear p -Laplacian equations

Nonlinear elliptic equations

- Consider the equation

$$-\operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, u, \nabla u)] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f, \quad \text{in } B_2.$$

- Assume that there is $p > 1$ and $\Lambda > 0$ such that

$$\Lambda^{-1}|\xi|^p \leq \langle \mathbb{A}(x, u, \xi)\xi, \xi \rangle, \quad |\mathbb{A}(x, u, \xi)| \leq \Lambda|\xi|^{p-1}.$$

i.e. \mathbb{A} grows in ξ as p -Laplacian.

- Motivation: calculus of variations, porous media, homogenization, geometric analysis, mathematical biology,...
- **Goal:** Develop the theory to estimate ∇u in L^q -spaces.
- **Issues:** Maximum principle (comparison principle), and invariance under scalings and dilations.

Theorem (T. Nguyen - T. P. - CVPDE (2016); T. P. (submitted))

Let $q \geq p > 1$ and $M_0 > 0$. Then, there exists $\delta = \delta(p, q, n) > 0$ such that if \mathbb{A} grows as p -Laplacian, $[[\mathbb{A}]]_{\text{BMO}} \leq \delta$, then for every weak solution of

$$-\text{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, u, \nabla u)] = \text{div}[F] + f, \quad \text{in } B_2$$

satisfying $[[u]]_{\text{BMO}(B_1)} \leq M_0$, it holds that

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^q(B_1)}^{p-1} \leq C(p, q, n, M_0) \left[\|F\|_{L^{\frac{q}{p-1}}(B_2)} + \|f\|_{L^{\frac{qn}{q+n(p-1)}}(B_2)} + \|u\|_{L^p(B_2)}^{p-1} \right]$$

- **Remark 1:** Boundary regularity theory, global regularity theory for both elliptic and and parabolic p -Laplacian type equations are also obtained.
- **Remark 2:** The results recover known results in which \mathbb{A} is independent on u .

- In T. Nguyen - T. P. (CVPDE-2016), it is assumed that $\|u\|_{L^\infty(B_1)} \leq M_0$. We used comparison principle (J. Leray-J.-L. Lions (1965), J.-L. Lions(1969)).
- My new papers develop the theory to the borderline case: replacing $\|u\|_{L^\infty(B_1)} \leq M_0$ by $\|u\|_{\text{BMO}} \leq M_0$.
 - A new approach, **which does not rely on comparison principle**, is introduced. Many regularity conditions on \mathbb{A} are relaxed/dropped.
 - **The theorem is important in critical cases**. For example, in the study of n -Laplacian equations, the weak solutions are in $W^{1,n}$, so they are in BMO already.
- This regularity theory for BMO-solutions is completely new.

Technique: Equations with scaling parameter

- Instead of studying the class of equations

$$-\operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, u, \nabla u)] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f, \quad \text{in } B_2.$$

- We study the family of equations with scaling parameter

$$-\operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, \lambda u, \nabla u)] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f, \quad \text{in } B_2, \quad \lambda \geq 0.$$

- This class of equations is invariant under the scalings and dilations. For example, if u is a solution, then $\hat{u} = \frac{u}{\tau}$ is a solution of

$$-\operatorname{div}[\hat{\mathbb{A}}(x, \hat{\lambda} \hat{u}, \nabla \hat{u})] = \operatorname{div}[\hat{F}] + \hat{f}, \quad \text{in } B_2,$$

where $\hat{\lambda} = \lambda\tau$, $\hat{\mathbb{A}}(x, u, \xi) = \mathbb{A}(x, u, \tau\xi)/\tau^{p-1}$, $\hat{F} = F/\tau^{p-1}$ and $\hat{f} = f/\tau^{p-1}$.

- **Note 1:** $\hat{\mathbb{A}}$ satisfies the same conditions as \mathbb{A} (with the same ellipticity constant Λ).
- **Note 2:** $\|\lambda u\|_{L^\infty}$ is invariant under the scalings and dilations:

$$\|\hat{\lambda} \hat{u}\|_{L^\infty} = \|\lambda u\|_{L^\infty}.$$

IV. Calderón-Zygmund regularity results for equations with singular drifts

Equations with singular divergence-free drifts

- Let \mathbb{A}_0 be symmetric matrix. Consider the equation with drifts:

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}_0(x, t)\nabla u + \mathbf{b}u] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f,$$

where the drift vector field \mathbf{b} is divergence-free.

- Refs: V. Liskevich-Y. Semenov (2000), H. Berestycki-F. Hamel-N. Nadirashvili (2005), L. A. Caffarelli - A. Vasseur (2010),...
- Under some conditions,

$$\mathbf{b}(x, t) = \operatorname{div}[D(x, t)],$$

where D is a skew-symmetric matrix, i.e. $D^* = -D$.

- In this case, the equation becomes

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t)\nabla u] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f,$$

where $\mathbb{A}(x, t) = \mathbb{A}_0(x, t) + D(x, t)$.

Existence - uniqueness result

Theorem (T. P. - JDE (2017))

Let $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_0 + D$ where \mathbb{A}_0 is symmetric and uniformly elliptic, and $D \in L_t^\infty(\text{BMO})$. Then, for $u_0 \in L^2(\Omega_T)$ and $f \in L^2((0, T), H_0^{-1}(\Omega))$, there exists unique weak solution u of

$$\begin{cases} u_t &= \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t)\nabla u] + f, & \text{in } \Omega_T = \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u &= 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(\cdot, 0) &= u_0(\cdot), & \text{on } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

and the solution satisfies the *usual energy estimate*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{t \in (0, T)} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\Omega_T)} + \|u_t\|_{L^2((0, T), H_0^{-1}(\Omega))} \\ & \leq C \left[\|f\|_{L^2((0, T), H_0^{-1}(\Omega))} + \|u_0\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Note: \mathbb{A} is singular b/c $\|D\|_{L^\infty(\Omega_T)}$ could be ∞ . When $D = 0$, the theorem recovers the classical results.

Key ideas in the proof

- We need to show that the bilinear form $a : H_0^1(\Omega) \times H_0^1(\Omega)$ defined by

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathbb{A}(x, t) \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx$$

is **coercive and bounded** (uniformly in time).

- Note that $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_0 + D$. Since $D^* = -D$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, u) &= \int_{\Omega} \langle [\mathbb{A}_0(x, t) + D(x, t)] \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle dx \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathbb{A}_0(x, t) \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle dx \geq \Lambda^{-1} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^2. \end{aligned}$$

- Also, by the boundedness of \mathbb{A}_0

$$\left| \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathbb{A}_0(x, t) \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx \right| \leq \Lambda \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla v\|_{L^2}.$$

Key ideas in the proof (cont.)

- It remains to prove that (**this is the most delicate part**)

$$\left| \int_{\Omega} \langle D(x, t) \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx \right| \leq C \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla v\|_{L^2} ?$$

- For simplicity, consider $n = 2$. Since $D^* = -D$, we can write

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d(x, t) \\ -d(x, t) & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } d \in L_t^\infty(\text{BMO})$$

- Then, $\langle D(x, t) \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle = d(x, t)[u_{x_1} v_{x_2} - u_{x_2} v_{x_1}]$, and note that

$$u_{x_1} v_{x_2} - u_{x_2} v_{x_1} = \det \begin{pmatrix} u_{x_1} & u_{x_2} \\ v_{x_1} & v_{x_2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- By the div-curl theorem of [R. Coifman, P.-L. Lions, Y. Meyer, S. Semmes](#) (1993), $u_{x_1} v_{x_2} - u_{x_2} v_{x_1}$ is in the Hardy space \mathcal{H}^1 .
- By [C. Fefferman](#) (1971) (see also [C. Fefferman - E. Stein](#) (1972)): The dual of \mathcal{H}^1 is BMO.

Regularity theory for equations with singular drifts

Theorem (T. P. - JDE (2017))

Let $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_0 + D$ as before. For $q \geq 2$, there exists $\delta = \delta(n, q) > 0$ such that if $[[\mathbb{A}]]_{\text{BMO}} \leq \delta$ and if u is a weak solution of

$$\begin{cases} u_t &= \operatorname{div}[\tilde{\mathbb{A}}(x, t, u, \nabla u)] + \operatorname{div}(F), & \text{in } \Omega_T = \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u &= 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(\cdot, 0) &= u_0(\cdot), & \text{on } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}(x, t, u, \xi) \sim \mathbb{A}(x, t)\xi$ when $|\xi| \rightarrow \infty$ (i.e. asymptotically Uhlenbeck), it holds that

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^q(\Omega \times (\bar{t}, T))} \leq C(n, \bar{t}, T, q)[1 + \|F\|_{L^q(\Omega_T)}].$$

- This theorem is new even for linear equations.
- It provides the $W^{1,q}$ -analogue of C^α -theory (linear equations): Q.-S. Zhang (2004); G. Seregin - L. Silvestre - V. Sverak - A. Zlatos (2012).

- Note that $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{A}_0 + D$ and our theorem requires $[[\mathbb{A}]]_{\text{BMO}} \ll 1$.
- When $D = 0$, it is known that the condition $[[\mathbb{A}]]_{\text{BMO}} \ll 1$ is necessary. Ref: N.G. Meyers (1963).

- Is it necessary to require $[[D]]_{\text{BMO}} \ll 1$? Observe that $\mathbf{b} = \text{div}[D]$ and hence

$$[[D]]_{L^\infty((0,T),\text{BMO})} = \|\mathbf{b}\|_{L^\infty((0,T),\text{BMO}^{-1})}.$$

- **Next goal:** Study the regularity estimate for large \mathbf{b} . Our interesting case is $\mathbf{b} \sim \frac{1}{|x|}$, $x \in B_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

Lorentz spaces

- For given $q > 1$, recall that

$$\|f\|_{L^q(U)} = \left\{ q \int_0^\infty s^q \left| \{(x, t) \in U : |f(x, t)| > s\} \right| \frac{ds}{s} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

- If $1 < r < \infty$, the Lorentz quasi-norm is defined by

$$\|f\|_{L^{q,r}(U)} = \left\{ q \int_0^\infty s^r \left| \{(x, t) \in U : |f(x, t)| > s\} \right|^{r/q} \frac{ds}{s} \right\}^{1/r},$$

and

$$\|f\|_{L^{q,\infty}(U)} = \sup_{s>0} s \left| \{(x, t) \in U : |f(x, t)| > s\} \right|^{1/q}.$$

- Note: $L^{q,q}(U) = L^q(U)$, and $L^{q,r_1}(U) \subset L^{q,r_2}(U)$ for all $q > 0$ and $0 < r_1 < r_2 \leq \infty$.
- Note that $\frac{1}{|x|}$ is not in $L^3(B_1)$ for $B_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, but it is in $L^{3,\infty}(B_1)$.

Nonlinear C-Z theory in Lorentz spaces

Theorem (T. P. - EJDE (2017); T.P. - CJM (2017, accepted))

For given $q > 2$, $1 < r \leq \infty$ and $M > 0$, there exists $\delta = \delta(n, q, r, M) > 0$ sufficiently small such that if $[\mathbb{A}]_{\text{BMO}(Q_1)} < \delta$. Then, if u is a weak solution of

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \nabla u) + \mathbf{b}u] = \operatorname{div}[F] + f, \quad \text{in } Q_2,$$

with $[[u]]_{\text{BMO}(Q_1)} \leq M$, it holds that

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^{q,r}(Q_1)} \leq C \left[\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(Q_2)} + [[u]]_{\text{BMO}} \|\mathbf{b}\|_{L^{q,r}(Q_2)} + \|F\|_{L^{q,r}(Q_2)} + \|f\|_{L^{\frac{(n+2)q}{n+4}, \frac{(n+2)r}{n+4}}(Q_2)} \right],$$

where $C = C(n, q, r, M)$.

Local boundary regularity, and global regularity are also established.

- In the linear setting with $F = 0$ and $f = 0$:

$$u_t - \operatorname{div}[\mathbb{A}(x, t)\nabla u] = -\operatorname{div}[\mathbf{b}u], \quad \text{in } Q_2.$$

The classical C-Z estimates give

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^q(Q_1)} \leq C \left[\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(Q_2)} + \|u\|_{L^\infty(Q_2)} \|\mathbf{b}\|_{L^q(Q_2)} \right].$$

Our estimate is

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^{q,r}(Q_1)} \leq C \left[\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(Q_2)} + [[u]]_{\text{BMO}} \|\mathbf{b}\|_{L^{q,r}(Q_2)} \right].$$

Hence, our theorem not only covers the singular case, but also improves the classical result to the critical borderline case.

- When $\mathbf{b} = 0$, the theorem recovers known results (E. Acerbi - G. Mingione; S.-S. Byun - L. Wang, H.-Dong-D.-Kim)

The condition $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{b} = 0$ is vital:

$$\int_Q u \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \varphi \, dx \, dt = \int_Q [u - \bar{u}_Q] \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \varphi \, dx \, dt.$$

Then, using Hölder's inequality and John-Nirenberg's theorem

$$\left| \int_Q u \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla \varphi \, dx \, dt \right| \leq C(n, \alpha) [[u]]_{\text{BMO}} \|\mathbf{b}\|_{L^\alpha(Q)} \|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^2(Q)}$$

for some $\alpha > 2$.

Key ideas (cont.)

- The proof is based on the ideas originated by Calderón-Zygmund (1952).
- Recent perturbation technique developed by N. Krylov (1990s, 2008); Caffarelli-Peral(1998); and Acerbi-Mingione (2007).
- My new developed techniques in the perturbation method.
- Real analysis techniques such as Vitali's covering lemma are used; **stopping-time argument** is employed.
- The approach should work when Ω is a manifold.

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