

SOLUTION PROPERTIES OF A 3D STOCHASTIC EULER FLUID EQUATION

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ABSTRACT. We prove local well posedness in regular spaces and a Beale-Kato-Majda blow-up criterion for a recently derived stochastic model of the 3D Euler fluid equation for incompressible flow. This model describes incompressible fluid motions whose Lagrangian particle paths follow a stochastic process with cylindrical noise and also satisfy Newton's 2nd Law in every Lagrangian domain.

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1. INTRODUCTION

This paper investigates the existence, uniqueness and singularity properties of a recently derived stochastic model of the Euler fluid equations for incompressible flow [16]. For this purpose, we combine methods from geometric mechanics, functional analysis and stochastic analysis. In the model under investigation, stochasticity is introduced in the Stratonovich sense into the transport velocity of the Euler fluid equations. That is, one assumes the Lagrangian particle paths in the fluid motion $x_t = \eta_t(X)$ with initial position $X \in \mathbb{R}^3$ each follow a Stratonovich stochastic process given by

$$d\eta_t(X) = u(\eta_t(X), t)dt + \sum_i \xi_i(\eta_t(X)) \circ dB_t^i, \quad (1.1)$$

where the B^i with $i \in \mathbb{N}$ are scalar independent Brownian motions, and the ξ_i represent spatial correlations, given by $C_{ij} = \xi_i \xi_j^T$ for a velocity-velocity correlation matrix C_{ij} . The stochastic process η_t is a temporally stochastic curve on the space of smooth invertible maps. That is, the time dependence of η_t in (1.1) is not differentiable, but its spatial dependence is assumed to be smooth. Equation (1.1) will lead to a stochastic PDE driven by cylindrical noise [4, 30, 32, 35], corresponding to model uncertainty in the Euler fluid equations for incompressible flow, as introduced in [16].

The Eulerian transport velocity for this flow is given by the Stratonovich stochastic vector field,

$$dy_t(x) = u(x, t)dt + \sum_i \xi_i(x) \circ dB_t^i = d\eta_t \eta_t^{-1}(x). \quad (1.2)$$

Thus, the stochastic process $d\eta_t(X)$ in (1.1) is the pullback by the diffeo η_t of the stochastic vector field $dy_t(x)$ in (1.2). That is, $\eta_t^* dy_t(x) = d\eta_t(X)$. Likewise, the stochastic vector field in (1.2) is the Eulerian representation in fixed spatial coordinates x of the stochastic process in (1.1) for the Lagrangian fluid parcel paths, labelled by their Lagrangian coordinates X .

The stochastic Euler fluid equations we study here possess a Kelvin circulation theorem of the form,

$$d \oint_{c(t)} v_j(x, t) dx^j = \oint_{c(t)} \rho^{-1} F_j dx^j, \quad (1.3)$$

in which the closed loop $c(t)$ follows the stochastic Stratonovich stochastic process in (1.1), so it moves with stochastic material velocity dy_t in (1.2). Here, the mass density is denoted as ρ , and F_j denotes the j -th component of the force exerted on the flow. In the present work, the mass density ρ will be assumed to be constant. Notice that the covariant vector with components $v_j(x, t)$ in (1.3) is not the transport velocity in (1.2). Instead, $v_j(x, t)$ is the j -th component of the momentum per unit mass. In addition, the force per unit mass $\rho^{-1} F_j = -\rho^{-1} \partial_j p$ will be taken as proportional to the pressure gradient. For this force, the Kelvin loop integral in (1.3) for the stochastic Euler fluid case will be preserved in time for any material loop whose motion is governed by the Stratonovich stochastic process (1.1).

In the case of the stochastic Euler fluid treated here in Euclidean coordinates, applying the Stokes theorem to the Kelvin loop integral in (1.3) yields the equation for $\omega = \text{curl } v$ proposed in [16], as

$$d\omega + (dy_t \cdot \nabla)\omega - (\omega \cdot \nabla)dy_t = 0, \quad \omega|_{t=0} = \omega_0, \quad (1.4)$$

where the loop integral on the right hand side of (1.3) vanishes for pressure forces with constant mass density.

Main results. This paper shows that two well-known analytical properties of the deterministic 3D Euler fluid equations are preserved under the stochastic modification (1.4) we study here. First, the 3D stochastic Euler fluid vorticity equation (1.4) is locally well-posed in the sense that it possesses local in time existence and uniqueness of solutions, for initial vorticity in the space $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ [6]. See Lichtenstein [21] as mentioned in [12] for a historical precedent for local existence and uniqueness for the Euler fluid equations. Second, the vorticity equations (1.4) also possess a Beale-Kato-Majda (BKM) criterion for blow up which is identical to the one proved for the deterministic Euler fluid equations in [1].

Theorem 1 (Existence and uniqueness). *Given initial vorticity $\omega_0 \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a local solution in $W^{2,2}$ of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (1.4). Namely, if $\omega^{(1)}, \omega^{(2)} : \Xi \times [0, \tau] \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are two solutions defined up to the same stopping time τ , then $\omega^{(1)} = \omega^{(2)}$.*

Our result corresponding to the celebrated Beale-Kato-Majda characterization of blow-up [1] is stated in the following.

Theorem 2 (Beale-Kato-Majda criterion for blow up). *Given initial $\omega_0 \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a stopping time $\tau_{\max} : \Xi \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ and a process $\omega : \Xi \times [0, \tau_{\max}] \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ with the following properties:*

i) (ω is a solution) The process $t \mapsto \omega(t \wedge \tau_{\max}, \cdot)$ has trajectories that are almost surely in the class $C([0, \tau_{\max}]; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$ and equation (1.4) holds as an identity in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. In addition, τ_{\max} is the largest stopping time with this property; and

ii) (Beale-Kato-Majda criterion [1]) If $\tau_{\max} < \infty$, then

$$\int_0^{\tau_{\max}} \|\omega(t)\|_{\infty} dt = +\infty$$

and, in particular, $\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\omega(t)\|_{\infty} = +\infty$.

Plan of the paper.

- Section 2 briefly reviews the derivation of the stochastic Euler equations introduced in [16] from the viewpoints of Newton's 2nd Law and the Kelvin circulation theorem. The deterministic (resp. stochastic) equations of motion are derived using the pullback of Newton's 2nd Law by the deterministic (resp. stochastic) diffeomorphism describing the Lagrange-to-Euler map. The Kelvin circulation theorems for both cases are then derived from their corresponding Newtonian 2nd Laws. The importance of the distinction between transport velocity and transported momentum is emphasized for both the deterministic and stochastic Newton's Laws and Kelvin's circulation theorems.
- Section 3 discusses our assumptions and summarizes the main results of the paper.
 - Subsection 3.1 formulates our objectives and sets the notation.
 - Subsection 3.2 discusses the cylindrical noise properties of (1.1) and provides basic bounds on the Lie derivatives needed in proving the main analytical results.
 - Subsection 3.3 provides additional definitions needed in the context of explaining the main results of the paper.
- Section 4 provides proofs of the main results
 - Subsections 4.1 and 4.3 prove the uniqueness properties needed for establishing Theorem 1.
 - Subsection 4.5 introduces a cut-off function which is instrumental in the proof of the BKM theorem for the stochastic Euler equations given in Subsection 4.4.

- Section 5 summarizes the proofs of several key technical results which are summoned in establishing Theorem 1 and Theorem 2.
 - Subsection 5.1 discusses fractional Sobolev regularity in time.
 - Subsection 5.2 provides the *a priori* bounds needed to prove estimate (4.19).
 - Subsection 5.3 proves the bounds needed to complete the proof that the estimate (4.19) is uniform in time.
 - Subsection 5.4 establishes the key estimates for the bounds involving Lie derivatives that are needed in the proofs.

Remark 3. *This paper shows that the analytical properties of the stochastic model of Euler fluid dynamics introduced in [16] are essentially the same as the deterministic case. We believe this fidelity of the stochastic model to the analytical properties of the deterministic case bodes well for the potential use of this model in uncertainty quantification of fluid flow. The need for such a model can be illustrated, for example, by examining data from satellite observations collected in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) “Global Drifter Program”, a compilation of which is shown in Figure 1.*

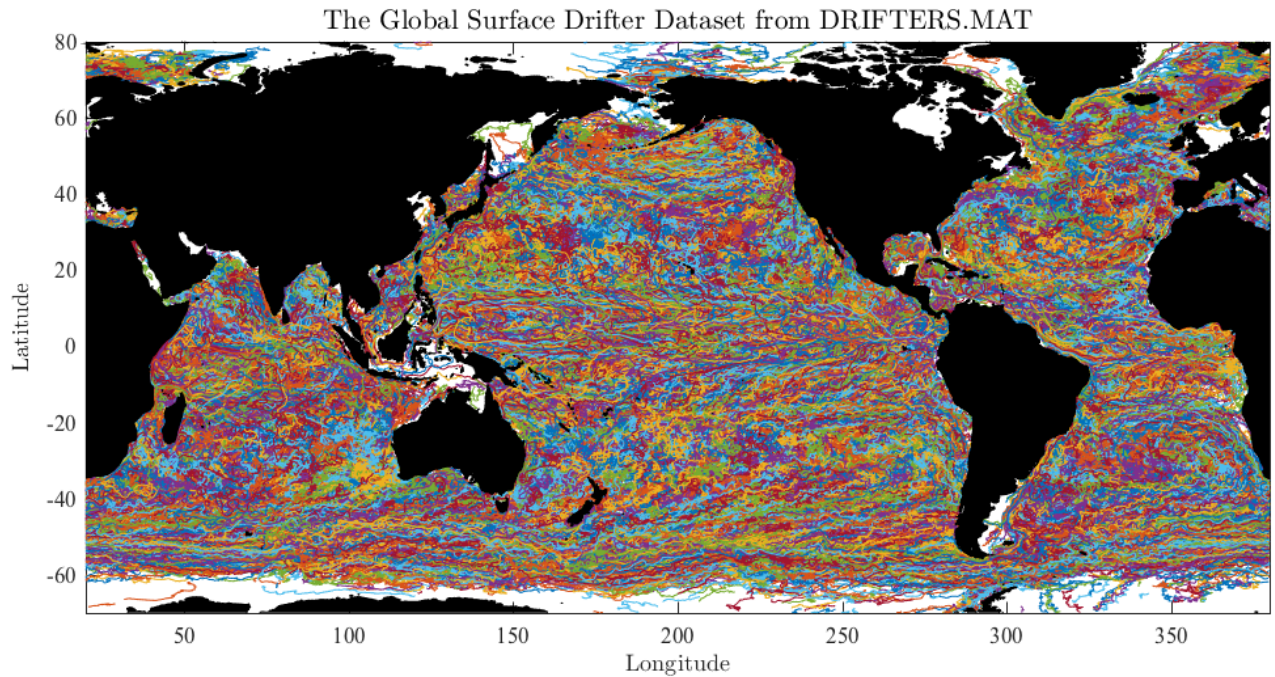


FIGURE 1.1. Trajectories in latitude and longitude are shown from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Global Drifter Program. Each colour corresponds to a different drifter, see [22].

Figure 1 (courtesy of [22]) displays the global array of surface drifter displacement trajectories from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s “Global Drifter Program” (www.aoml.noaa.gov/phod/dac). In total, more than 10,000 drifters have been deployed since 1979, representing nearly

30 million data points of positions along the Lagrangian paths of the drifters at six-hour intervals. This large spatiotemporal data set is a major source of information regarding ocean circulation, which in turn is an important component of the global climate system. For a recent discussion, see for example [36]. This data set of spatiotemporal observations from satellites of the spatial paths of objects drifting near the surface of the ocean provides inspiration for further development of data-driven stochastic models of fluid dynamics of the type discussed here. An important feature of this data is that the ocean currents show up as persistent spatial correlations, easily recognised visually by the concentrations of colours representing individual paths. These spatial correlations, may be represented in a velocity-velocity correlation matrix $C_{ij}(x, y) = \xi_i(x)\xi_j^T(y)$, $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$, whose eigenvectors are the functions $\xi_i(x)$ in the stochastic process (1.1). These correlations exhibit a variety of spatial scales for the trajectories of the drifters, indicating the variety of spatiotemporal scales in the evolution of the ocean currents which transport the drifters. This feature of the data is worthy of further study. For a method of determining the $\xi_i(x)$ in (1.1) from fine scale simulations, see [3]. For a method of modelling non-stationary correlation statistics, see [13].

2. DERIVATION OF THE STOCHASTIC EULER EQUATIONS

2.1. Review of the deterministic case.

Newton's 2nd Law, Reynolds transport theorem, pullbacks and Lie derivatives.

The fundamental equations of fluid dynamics derive from Newton's 2nd Law,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}(t)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega(t)} \mathbf{m} d^3x = \int_{\Omega(t)} \mathbf{F} d^3x = \mathcal{F}(t), \quad (2.1)$$

which sets the rate of change in time t of the total momentum $\mathbf{M}(t)$ of a moving volume of fluid $\Omega(t)$ equal to the total volume-integrated force \mathcal{F} applied on it; thereby producing an equation whose solution determines the time dependent flow η_t governing $\Omega(t) = \eta_t\Omega(0)$.

The fluid flows η_t considered here will be smooth invertible time-dependent maps with a smooth inverses. Such maps are called *diffeomorphisms*, and are often simply referred to as *diffeos*. One may regard the map η_t as a time-dependent curve on the space of diffeos. The corresponding Lagrangian particle path of a fluid parcel is given by the smooth, invertible, time-dependent map,

$$\eta_t X = \eta(X, t) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \text{for initial reference position } x(X, 0) = \eta_0 X = X. \quad (2.2)$$

This subsection deals with the deterministic derivation of the Eulerian ideal fluid equations. So the map η_t is deterministic here. The next subsection will deal with parallel arguments for the stochastic version of η_t in equation (1.1), and we will keep the same notation for the diffeos in both subsections.

In standard notation from, e.g., Marsden and Hughes [26], we may write the i -th component of the total fluid momentum $M_i(t)$ in a time-dependent domain of \mathbb{R}^3 denoted $\Omega(t) = \eta_t\Omega(0)$, as

$$M_i(t) = \int_{\Omega(t)} \mathbf{m}(x, t) \cdot \mathbf{e}_i(x) d^3x = \int_{\Omega(t)} m_j(x, t) e^j_i(x) d^3x \quad (2.3)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_t^* \left(\mathbf{m}(x, t) \cdot \mathbf{e}_i(x) d^3x \right) = \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_t^* \left(m_j(x, t) e^j_i(x) d^3x \right). \quad (2.4)$$

Here the $\mathbf{e}_i(x)$ are coordinate basis vectors and the operation η_t^* denotes *pullback* by the smooth time-dependent map η_t . That is, the *pullback* operation in the formulas above for the total momentum “pulls back” the map η_t through the functions in the integrand. For example, in the fluid momentum density $\mathbf{m}(x, t)$ at spatial position $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ at time t , we have $\eta_t^* \mathbf{m}(x, t) = \mathbf{m}(\eta(X, t), t)$.

Lie derivative. The time derivative of the pullback of η_t for a scalar function $\theta(x, t)$ is given by the chain rule as,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\eta_t^*\theta(x, t) = \frac{d}{dt}\theta(\eta_t X, t) = \partial_t\theta(\eta(X, t), t) + \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial\eta^j} \frac{d\eta^j(X, t)}{dt} = \eta_t^* \left(\partial_t\theta(x, t) + \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial x^j} u^j(x, t) \right). \quad (2.5)$$

The Eulerian velocity vector field $u(x, t) = u^j(x, t)\partial_{x^j}$ in (2.5) generates the flow η_t and is tangent to it at the identity, i.e., at $t = 0$. The time-dependent components of this velocity vector field may be written in terms of the flow η_t and its pullback η_t^* in several equivalent notations as, for example,

$$\frac{d\eta^j(X, t)}{dt} = u^j(\eta(X, t), t) = \eta_t^* u^j(x, t) = u^j(\eta_t^* x, t), \quad \text{or simply} \quad u = \dot{\eta}_t \eta_t^{-1}. \quad (2.6)$$

The calculation (2.5) also defines the *Lie derivative formula* for the scalar function θ , namely [26]

$$\frac{d}{dt}\eta_t^*\theta(x, t) = \eta_t^* (\partial_t\theta(x, t) + \mathcal{L}_u\theta(x, t)), \quad (2.7)$$

where \mathcal{L}_u denotes Lie derivative along the time-dependent vector field $u = u^j(x, t)\partial_{x^j}$ with vector components $u^j(x, t)$. In this example of a scalar function θ , evaluating formula (2.7) at time $t = 0$ gives the standard definition of Lie derivative of a scalar function $\theta(x)$ by a time-independent vector field $u = u^j(x)\partial_{x^j}$, namely,

$$\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \eta_t^*\theta(x) = \mathcal{L}_u(x)\theta(x) = u^j(x) \frac{\partial\theta(x)}{\partial x^j}. \quad (2.8)$$

Remark 4. To recap, in equations (2.3) and (2.4) for the total momentum, the Eulerian spatial coordinate $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is fixed in space, and the Lagrangian body coordinate $X \in \Omega(t)$ is fixed in the moving body. The Lagrangian particle paths $\eta_t^* x = \eta(X, t) = \eta_t X \in \mathbb{R}^3$ with $x(X, 0) = \eta_0 X = X$ may be regarded as time-dependent maps from a reference configuration where points in the fluid are located at X to their current position $\eta_t^* x = \eta(X, t)$. Introducing the pullback operation enables one to transform the integration in (2.3) over the current fluid domain $\Omega(t)$ with moving boundaries into an integration over the fixed reference domain $\Omega(0)$ in (2.4). This transformation allows the time derivative to be brought inside the integral sign to act on the pullback of the integrand by the flow map η_t . Taking the time derivatives inside the integrand then produces Lie derivatives with respect to the vector field representing the flow velocity.

The coordinate basis vectors $\mathbf{e}_i(x)$ in (2.3) for the moving domain and the corresponding basis vectors in the fixed reference configuration $\mathbf{E}_i(X)$ are spatial gradients of the Eulerian and Lagrangian coordinate lines in their respective domains. The coordinate basis vectors \mathbf{e}_i in the moving frame and \mathbf{E}_i in the fixed reference frame are related to each other by contraction with the Jacobian matrix of the map η_t ; namely, [26]

$$\eta_t^* e^j_i(x) = \frac{\partial\eta^j(X, t)}{\partial X^A} E^A_i(X) = \left(\eta_t^* \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial X^A} \right) E^A_i(X) =: (\eta_t^* J^j_A) E^A_i(X). \quad (2.9)$$

As a consequence of the definition of Eulerian velocity in equation (2.6), the defining relation (2.9) for $\eta_t^* e^j_i(x)$ implies the following evolution equation for the Eulerian coordinate basis vectors,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(\eta_t^* e^j_i(x)) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial X^A} \frac{d\eta^j(X, t)}{dt} E^A_i(X) \\ &= \eta_t^* \left(\frac{\partial u^j}{\partial x^k} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial X^A} \right) E^A_i(X) \\ &= \eta_t^* \left(\frac{\partial u^j}{\partial x^k} J^k_A \right) E^A_i(X) \\ &= \eta_t^* \left(\frac{\partial u^j}{\partial x^k} e^k_i \right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Likewise, the mass of each volume element will be conserved under the flow, η_t . In terms of the pullback, this means

$$\eta_t^*(\rho(x, t) d^3x) = \rho(\eta(X, t), t) \det(J) d^3X = \rho_0(X) d^3X, \tag{2.11}$$

where the function $\rho(x, t)$ represents the current mass distribution in Eulerian coordinates in the moving domain, and the function $\rho_0(X)$ represents the mass distribution in Lagrangian coordinates in the reference domain at the initial time, $t = 0$. Consequently, the time derivative of the mass conservation relation (2.11) yields the *continuity equation* for the Eulerian mass density,

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\eta_t^*(\rho(x, t) d^3x)) = \eta_t^*((\partial_t \rho + u^j \partial_{x^j} \rho + \rho \partial_{x^j} u^j) d^3x) = \eta_t^*((\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u)(\rho d^3x)) = 0, \tag{2.12}$$

and again, as expected, the Lie derivative \mathcal{L}_u appears. In this example of a density, evaluating the formula (2.12) at time $t = 0$ gives the standard definition of Lie derivative of a density, $\rho(x) d^3x$, by a time-independent vector field $u = u^j(x) \partial_{x^j}$, namely,

$$\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \eta_t^*(\rho(x) d^3x) = \mathcal{L}_{u(x)}(\rho(x) d^3x) = \operatorname{div}(\rho(x) \mathbf{u}(x)) d^3x. \tag{2.13}$$

Next, we insert the mass conservation relation (2.11) into equation (2.4) and introduce the covector $v_j(x, t) := m_j(x, t)/\rho(x, t)$ in order to distinguish between the momentum per unit mass $v(x, t)$ and the velocity vector field $u(x, t)$ defined in (2.6) for the flow η_t , which transports the Lagrangian particles. In terms of v , we may write the total momentum in (2.4) as

$$M_i(t) = \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_t^*(v_j(x, t) e^j_i(x) \rho(x, t) d^3x). \tag{2.14}$$

Introducing the two transformation relations (2.9) for $e^j_i(x)$ and (2.11) for $\rho(x, t) d^3x$, yields

$$M_i(t) := \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_t^* \left(v_j(x, t) \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial X^A} \right) E^A_i(X) \rho_0(X) d^3X \tag{2.15}$$

$$= \int_{\Omega(0)} \left(v_j(x, t) \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial X^A} \right) \delta(x - \eta(X, t)) E^A_i(X) \rho_0(X) d^3X, \tag{2.16}$$

where in the last line we have inserted a delta function $\delta(x - \eta(X, t))$ for convenience in representing the pullback of a factor in the integrand to the Lagrangian path.

Newton's 2nd Law for fluids. We aim to explicitly write Newton's 2nd Law for fluids, which takes the form

$$\frac{dM_i(t)}{dt} = \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho^{-1} F_j e^j{}_i(x) \rho d^3x, \quad (2.17)$$

for an assumed force density $F_i e^j{}_i(x) d^3x$ in a coordinate system with basis vectors $e^j{}_i(x)$. To accomplish this, we of course must compute the time derivative of the total momentum $M_i(t)$ in (2.15). The result for the time derivative $dM_i(t)/dt$ is the following,

$$\frac{dM_i(t)}{dt} = \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_i^* \left(\left(\partial_t v_j(x, t) + \frac{dx^k}{dt} v_{j,k} + v_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \frac{dx^k}{dt} \right) \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial X^A} \right) E^A{}_i(X) \rho_0(X) d^3X. \quad (2.18)$$

Upon defining $u^k := \frac{dx^k}{dt}$ (in a slight abuse of notation) and using equations (2.9) and (2.11) this calculation now yields

$$\frac{dM_i(t)}{dt} = \int_{\Omega(0)} \eta_i^* \left(\rho(x, t) \left(\partial_t v_j(x, t) + u^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} u^k \right) e^j{}_i(x) d^3x \right) \quad (2.19)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho(x, t) \left(\partial_t v_j(x, t) + u^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} u^k \right) e^j{}_i(x) d^3x. \quad (2.20)$$

Perhaps not unexpectedly, one may also deduce the Lie-derivative relation

$$\frac{dM_i(t)}{dt} = \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho(x, t) \left(\partial_t v_j(x, t) + u^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} u^k \right) e^j{}_i(x) d^3x \quad (2.21)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega(t)} (\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u) \left(v_j(x, t) e^j{}_i(x) \rho(x, t) d^3x \right), \quad (2.22)$$

where, in the last step, we have applied the Lie derivative of the continuity equation in (2.12). We note that care must be taken in passing to Euclidean spatial coordinates, in that one must first expand the spatial derivatives of $e^j{}_i(x)$, before setting $e^j{}_i(x) = \partial_i x^j = \delta_i^j$. One may keep track of these basis vectors by introducing a 1-form basis. Upon using the continuity equation (2.12), one may then write Newton's 2nd Law for fluids in equation (2.17) as a local 1-form expression,

$$\left(\partial_t v_i(x, t) + u^k \partial_k v_i + v_k \partial_i u^k \right) dx^i = (\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u) (v_i(x, t) dx^i) = \rho^{-1} F_i dx^i. \quad (2.23)$$

Remark 5 (Distinguishing between u and v). *In formula (2.23), two quantities with the dimensions of velocity appear, denoted as u and v . The fluid velocity u is a contravariant vector field (with spatial component index up) which transports fluid properties, such as the mass density in the continuity equation (2.12). In contrast, the velocity v is the transported momentum per unit mass, corresponding to a velocity 1-form $v_i dx^i$ (the circulation integrand in Kelvin's theorem) and it is covariant (spatial component index down).*

In general, these two velocities are different, they have different physical meanings (velocity versus specific momentum) and they transform differently under the diffeos. Mathematically, they are dual to each other, in the sense that insertion (i.e., substitution) of the vector field u into the 1-form v yields a real number, $u^k v_k$, where we sum repeated indices over their range. Only in the case when the kinetic energy is given by the L^2 metric and the coordinate system is Cartesian with a Euclidean metric can the components of the two velocities u and v be set equal to each other, as vectors.

And, as luck would have it, this special case occurs for the Euler fluid equations in \mathbb{R}^3 . Consequently, when we deal with the stochastic Euler fluid equations in \mathbb{R}^3 in the later sections of the paper, our notation will simplify, because we will not need to distinguish between the two types of velocity u and

v . That is, in the later sections of the paper, when stochastic Euler fluid equations are considered in \mathbb{R}^3 , the components of the velocities u and v will be denoted by the same \mathbb{R}^3 vector, which we will choose to be \mathbf{v} .

Deterministic Kelvin circulation theorem. Formula (2.22) is the *Reynolds Transport Theorem* (RTT) for a momentum density. When set equal to an assumed force density, the RTT produces Newton's 2nd Law for fluids in equation (2.23). Further applying equation (2.23) to the time derivative of the Kelvin circulation integral $I(t) = \oint_{c(t)} v_j(x, t) dx^j$ around a material loop $c(t)$ moving with Eulerian velocity $u(x, t)$, leads to [17]

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dI(t)}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \oint_{c(t)} (v_j(x, t) dx^j) = \frac{d}{dt} \oint_{c(0)} \eta^* (v_j(x, t) dx^j) \\
&= \int_{c(0)} \eta_t^* \left((\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u)(v_j(x, t) dx^j) \right) \\
&= \oint_{c(0)} \eta_t^* \left((\partial_t v_j(x, t) + u^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} u^k) dx^j \right) \\
&= \oint_{c(t)} (\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u)(v_j(x, t) dx^j) \\
&= \oint_{c(t)} \rho^{-1} F_i dx^i.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.24}$$

Perhaps not surprisingly, the Lie derivative appears again, and the line-element stretching term in the deterministic time derivative of the Kelvin circulation integral in the third line of (2.24) corresponds to the transformation of the coordinate basis vectors in the RTT formula (2.21). Moreover, the last line of (2.24) follows directly from the Newton 2nd Law for fluids in equation (2.23).

The deterministic Euler fluid motion equations. The simplest case comprises the deterministic Euler fluid motion equations for incompressible, constant-density flow in Euclidean coordinates on \mathbb{R}^3 ,

$$\partial_t u_i(x, t) + u^k \partial_k u_i + u_k \partial_i u^k = -\partial_i p, \quad \text{with} \quad \partial_j u^j = 0, \tag{2.25}$$

for which the two velocities are the same and the only force is the gradient of pressure, p .

Upon writing the Euler motion equation (2.25) as a 1-form relation in vector notation,

$$(\partial_t + \mathcal{L}_u)(\mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{x}) = -dp, \tag{2.26}$$

one easily finds the dynamical equation for the vorticity, $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \text{curl } \mathbf{u}$, by taking the exterior differential of (2.26), since $\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = d(\mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{x})$ and the differential d commutes with the Lie derivative \mathcal{L}_u . Namely,

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{\omega} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{\omega} - (\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = 0. \tag{2.27}$$

In terms of vector fields, this vorticity equation may be expressed equivalently as

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{\omega} + [u, \boldsymbol{\omega}] = 0, \tag{2.28}$$

where $[u, \boldsymbol{\omega}]$ is the commutator of vector fields.

2.2. Stochastic Reynolds Transport Theorem (SRTT) for Fluid Momentum. For the stochastic counterpart of the previous calculation we replace $u = \dot{\eta}_t \eta_t^{-1}$ written above in equation (2.6) with the *Stratonovich* stochastic vector field

$$dy_t^k = u^k(x, t)dt + \sum_i \xi_i^k(x) \circ dB_t^i = d\eta_t \eta_t^{-1}, \quad (2.29)$$

where the B_t^i with $i \in \mathbb{N}$ are scalar independent Brownian motions. This vector field corresponds to the Stratonovich stochastic process

$$d\eta_t^k(X) = u^k(\eta_t(X), t)dt + \sum_i \xi_i^k(\eta_t(X)) \circ dB_t^i, \quad (2.30)$$

where η_t is a temporally stochastic curve on the diffeos. This means that the time dependence of η_t is rough, in that time derivatives do not exist. However, being a diffeo, its spatial dependence is still smooth.

Consequently, upon following the corresponding steps for the deterministic case leading to equation (2.20), the Stratonovich stochastic version of the deterministic RTT in equation (2.20) becomes

$$dM_i(t) = \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho(x, t) \left(dv_j(x, t) + dy_t^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} dy_t^k \right) e^j{}_i(x) d^3x. \quad (2.31)$$

We compare (2.31) with the Lie-derivative relation, cf. equation (2.22),

$$\left(dv_j(x, t) + dy_t^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} dy_t^k \right) dx^j = (dy + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(v_j(x, t) dx^j). \quad (2.32)$$

Here, \mathcal{L}_{dy_t} denotes Lie derivative along the Stratonovich stochastic vector field $dy_t = dy_t^j(x, t) \partial_{x^j}$ with vector components $dy_t^j(x, t)$ introduced in (2.29). We also introduce the stochastic versions of the auxiliary equations (2.8) for a scalar function θ and (2.12) for a density ρd^3x , and we compare these two formulas with their equivalent stochastic Lie-derivative relations,

$$d(\eta_t^* \theta(x, t)) = \eta_t^* (d\theta(x, t) + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t} \theta(x, t)), \quad (2.33)$$

$$d(\eta_t^* (\rho(x, t) d^3x)) = \eta_t^* \left((d\rho + \partial_{x^j} (\rho dy_t^j(x, t))) d^3x \right) = \eta_t^* ((d + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(\rho d^3x)) = 0. \quad (2.34)$$

Stochastic Newton's 2nd Law for fluids. The stochastic Newton's 2nd Law for fluids will take the form

$$dM_i(t) = \int_{\Omega(t)} \rho^{-1} F_i e^j{}_i(x) \rho d^3x, \quad (2.35)$$

for an assumed force density $F_i e^j{}_i(x) d^3x$ in a coordinate system with basis vectors $e^j{}_i(x)$. Because of the stochastic RTT in (2.31), the expression (2.32) in a 1-form basis and the mass conservation law for the stochastic flow in (2.34), one may write the stochastic Newton's 2nd Law for fluids in equation (2.35) as a 1-form relation,

$$\left(dv_j(x, t) + dy_t^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} dy_t^k \right) dx^j = (d + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(v_j(x, t) dx^j) = \rho^{-1} F_j dx^j dt. \quad (2.36)$$

Stochastic Kelvin circulation theorem. The stochastic Newton's 2nd Law for fluids in the 1-form basis in (2.36) introduces the line-element stretching term previously seen in the stochastic Kelvin circulation theorem in [16].

Proof. Inserting relations (2.31) and (2.32) for the stochastic RTT into the Kelvin circulation integral $I(t) = \oint_{c(t)} v_j(x, t) dx^j$ around a material loop $c(t)$ moving with stochastic Eulerian vector field dy_t in (2.29), leads to the following, cf. [16],

$$\begin{aligned} dI(t) &= d \oint_{c(t)} (v_j(x, t) dx^j) = d \oint_{c(0)} \eta^* (v_j(x, t) dx^j) \\ &= \int_{c(0)} \eta_t^* \left((d + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(v_j(x, t) dx^j) \right) \\ &= \oint_{c(0)} \eta_t^* \left((dv_j(x, t) + dy_t^k \partial_{x^k} v_j + v_k \partial_{x^j} dy_t^k) dx^j \right) \\ &= \int_{c(t)} (d + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(v_j(x, t) dx^j). \end{aligned} \tag{2.37}$$

Substituting the stochastic Newton's 2nd Law for fluids in the 1-form basis in (2.36) into the last formula in (2.37) yields the stochastic Kelvin circulation theorem in the form of [16], namely,

$$dI(t) = d \oint_{c(t)} v_j(x, t) dx^j = \oint_{c(t)} \rho^{-1} F_j dx^j dt. \tag{2.38}$$

□

Remark 6. *As we have seen, the development of stochastic fluid dynamics models revolves around the choice of the forces appearing in Newton's 2nd Law (2.35) and Kelvin's circulation theorem (2.38). For examples in stochastic turbulence modelling using a variety of choices of these forces, see [27, 33], whose approaches are the closest to the present work that we have been able to identify in the literature.*

The stochastic Euler fluid motion equations in three dimensions. The simplest 3D case comprises the stochastic Euler fluid motion equations for incompressible, constant-density flow in Euclidean coordinates on \mathbb{R}^3 which was introduced and studied in [16]. These equations are given in (2.37) by

$$dv_i(x, t) + dy_t^k \partial_k v_i + v_k \partial_i dy_t^k = -\partial_i p dt, \quad \text{with} \quad \partial_i(dy_t^i) = 0, \tag{2.39}$$

in which the stochastic transport velocity (dy_t) corresponds to the vector field in (2.29), the only force is the gradient of pressure, p , and the density ρ is taken to be constant.

The transported momentum per unit mass with components v_j , with $j = 1, 2, 3$, appears in the circulation integrand in (2.38) as $v_j dx^j = \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$. The 3D stochastic Euler motion equation (2.39) may be written equivalently by using (2.37) as a 1-form relation

$$(d + \mathcal{L}_{dy_t})(\mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{x}) = -dp dt, \tag{2.40}$$

where we recall that (d) denotes the stochastic evolution operator, while (d) denotes the spatial differential. We may derive the stochastic equation for the vorticity 2-form, defined as

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot d\mathbf{S} := d(\mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{x}) = (v_{j,k} - v_{k,j}) dx^k \wedge dx^j =: \omega_{jk} dx^k \wedge dx^j =: \text{curl } \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{S},$$

with $dx^j \wedge dx^k = -dx^k \wedge dx^j$, by taking the exterior differential (d) of (2.40) and then invoking the two properties that (i) the spatial differential d commutes with the Lie derivative $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{dy}_t}$ of a differential form and (ii) $d^2 = 0$, to find

$$0 = (d + \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{dy}_t})(\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot d\mathbf{S}) = \left(d\boldsymbol{\omega} - \text{curl}(\mathbf{dy}_t \times \boldsymbol{\omega}) \right) \cdot d\mathbf{S}. \quad (2.41)$$

In Cartesian coordinates, all of these quantities may be treated as divergence free vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , that is, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0 = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{dy}_t$. Consequently, equation (2.41) recovers the vector SPDE form of the 3D stochastic Euler fluid vorticity equation (1.4),

$$d\boldsymbol{\omega} + (\mathbf{dy}_t \cdot \nabla)\boldsymbol{\omega} - (\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{dy}_t = 0. \quad (2.42)$$

In terms of volume preserving vector fields in \mathbb{R}^3 , this vorticity equation may be expressed equivalently as

$$d\boldsymbol{\omega} + [\mathbf{dy}_t, \boldsymbol{\omega}] = 0, \quad (2.43)$$

where $[\mathbf{dy}_t, \boldsymbol{\omega}]$ is the commutator of vector fields, $\mathbf{dy}_t := \mathbf{dy}_t \cdot \nabla$ and $\boldsymbol{\omega} := \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla$. Equation (2.43) for the vector field $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ implies

$$d(\eta_t^* \boldsymbol{\omega}) = \eta_t^* (d\boldsymbol{\omega} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{dy}_t} \boldsymbol{\omega}) = 0, \quad (2.44)$$

where $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{dy}_t} \boldsymbol{\omega} = [\mathbf{dy}_t, \boldsymbol{\omega}]$. In vector components, this implies the pullback relation

$$\eta_t^* (\omega^j(x, t)) = \eta_t^* \left(\frac{\partial x^j}{\partial X^A} \right) \omega_0^A(X), \quad \text{or} \quad \omega^j(\eta(X, t), t) = \left(\frac{\partial \eta^j(X, t)}{\partial X^A} \right) \omega_0^A(X), \quad (2.45)$$

where $\omega_0^A(X)$ is the A -th Cartesian component of the initial vorticity, as a function of the Lagrangian spatial coordinates X of the reference configuration at time $t = 0$, and η_t^* is the pullback by the stochastic process in (1.1). Equation (2.45) is the stochastic generalization of Cauchy's 1827 solution for the vorticity of the deterministic Euler vorticity equation, in terms of the Jacobian of the Lagrange-to-Euler map. See [12] for a historical review of the role of Cauchy's relation in deterministic hydrodynamics.

Foundational results for other SPDEs for hydrodynamics related to (2.42) can be found in [7, 8, 11] and references therein.

Summary of the setting for this paper.

The generalisation from deterministic Reynolds Transport Theorem (RTT) for momentum to its Stratonovich stochastic version has preserved the geometric Lie derivative structure of the RTT. The Lie derivative structure of the Stratonovich stochastic RTT for the vector momentum density $m_j(x, t)e^j_i(x) d^3x$ has turned out to be the same as the expression appearing in the stochastic Kelvin circulation theorem of [16]. Combining the Stratonovich stochastic RTT with Newton's 2nd Law for fluid dynamics has provided a family of stochastic fluid equations, the simplest of which in 3D was introduced in [16] and is the subject of further study here.

3. ASSUMPTIONS AND MAIN RESULTS

3.1. Formulating objectives and setting notation. Our aim from now on will be to prove local-in-time existence and uniqueness of regular solutions of the stochastic Euler vorticity equation

$$d\boldsymbol{\omega} + \mathcal{L}_v \boldsymbol{\omega} dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \boldsymbol{\omega} \circ dB_t^k = 0, \quad \boldsymbol{\omega}|_{t=0} = \boldsymbol{\omega}_0, \quad (3.1)$$

which was proposed in [16]. Here, $\mathcal{L}_v\omega$ (resp. $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega$) denotes the Lie derivative with respect to the vector fields v (resp. ξ_k) as in (2.27) applied to the vorticity vector field. In particular,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega = (\xi_k \cdot \nabla)\omega - (\omega \cdot \nabla)\xi_k = [\xi_k, \omega]. \quad (3.2)$$

A natural question is whether we should sum only over a finite number of terms or, on the contrary, it is important to have an infinite sum, and not only for generality. An important remark is that a finite number of eigenvectors arises in the relevant case associated to a “data driven” model based on what is resolvable in either numerics or observations; and it would simplify some technical issues (we do not have to assume (3.11) below). However, an infinite sum could be of interest in regularization-by-noise investigations: see an example in [5] (easier than 3D Euler equations) where a singularity is prevented by an infinite dimensional noise. However, it is also true that in some cases a finite dimensional noise is sufficient also for regularization by noise, see examples in [9], [10], [11].

As mentioned in Remark 5, for the case of the *Euler fluid equations treated here in Cartesian \mathbb{R}^3 coordinates*, the two velocities denoted u and v in the previous section may be taken to be identical vectors for the case at hand in \mathbb{R}^3 . Consequently, for the remainder of the present work, in a slight abuse of notation, we simply let v denote the both fluid velocity and the momentum per unit mass. Then $\omega = \text{curl } v$ is the vorticity, and ξ_k comprise N divergence-free prescribed vector fields, subject to the assumptions stated below. The processes B^k with $k \in \mathbb{N}$ are scalar independent Brownian motions. The result we present next will extend the known analogous result for deterministic Euler equations to the stochastic case.

To simplify some of the arguments, we will work on a torus $\mathbb{T}^3 = [0, L]^3$. However, the results should also hold in the full space, \mathbb{R}^3 .

The stochastic Euler vorticity equation (3.1) above is stated in Stratonovich form. The corresponding Itô form is

$$d\omega + \mathcal{L}_v\omega dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega dt, \quad \omega|_{t=0} = \omega_0, \quad (3.3)$$

where we write

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega = \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega) = [\xi_k, [\xi_k, \omega]],$$

for the double Lie bracket of the divergence-free vector field ξ_k with the vorticity vector field ω . Indeed, let us recall that Stratonovich integral is equal to Itô integral plus one-half of the corresponding cross-variation process:¹

$$\int_0^t \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega_s \circ dB_s^k = \int_0^t \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega_s dB_s^k + \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega, B^k]_t.$$

By the linearity and the space-independence of B^k , $[\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega, B^k]_t = \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}[\omega, B^k]_t$. As ω_t has the form $d\omega_t = a_t dt + \sum_h b_t^h \circ dB_t^h$, where B^h are independent, the cross-variation process $[\omega, B^k]_t$ is given by

$$[\omega, B^k]_t = \int_0^t b_s^k ds.$$

In our case $b_s^k = -\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega_s$, hence

$$[\omega, B^k]_t = - \int_0^t \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega_s ds.$$

¹The subscript t on the square brackets distinguishes between the cross-variation process and Lie bracket of vector fields. To avoid confusion between these two uses of the square bracket, we will denote the Lie bracket operation $[\xi_k, \cdot]$ by the symbol $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\cdot$, as in equation (3.2).

Finally

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \left[\omega, B^k \right]_t = - \int_0^t \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_s ds$$

and therefore, in differential form,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_t \circ dB_t^k = \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_t dB_t^k - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_t dt.$$

Among different possible strategies to study equation (3.3), some of them based on stochastic flows, we present here the extension to the stochastic case of a classical PDE proof, see for instance [18], [24], [25].

The proof is based on *a priori* estimates in high order Sobolev spaces. The deterministic classical result proves well-posedness in the space $\omega(t) \in W^{3/2+\epsilon,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$, for some $\epsilon > 0$, when ω_0 belongs to the same space. Here we simplify (due to a number of new very non-trivial facts outlined below in section 5.2) and work in the space $\omega(t) \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. Consequently, we may consider $\Delta\omega(t)$ (to avoid fractional derivatives) and investigate existence and uniqueness in the class of regularity $\Delta\omega(t) \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

In the sequel we write $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} f(x) \cdot g(x) dx$. We work on the torus, which simplifies some definitions and properties; thus we write $(1 - \Delta)^{s/2} f$ for the function having Fourier transform $(1 + |\xi|)^{s/2} \widehat{f}(\xi)$ ($\widehat{f}(\xi)$ being the Fourier transform of f); similarly we write $\Delta^{-1} f$ for the function having Fourier transform $|\xi|^{-1} \widehat{f}(\xi)$. The spaces $W^{s,p}$ are defined, on the torus \mathbb{T}^3 , as the spaces of functions f such that $(1 - \Delta)^{s/2} f \in L^p$ endowed with the norm $\|f\|_{W^{s,p}} = \|(1 - \Delta)^{s/2} f\|_{L^p}$. When suitable, we will use the abridged notation $\|f\|_{s,p} = \|f\|_{W^{s,p}}$ and $\|f\|_p = \|f\|_{L^p}$. The space $W_\sigma^{s,p}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ is the space of all divergence free vector fields having all components in $W^{s,p}$.

The Biot-Savart operator is the reconstruction of a divergence free vector field u from a divergence free vector field ω such that $\text{curl } u = \omega$. On the torus it is given by $u = -\text{curl } \Delta^{-1} \omega$. It is known that it maps continuously fields $\omega \in W_\sigma^{s,p}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ into fields $u \in W_\sigma^{s+1,p}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, for all $s \geq 0$ and $p \in (1, \infty)$ (see [34]). Thus we have, up to a constant $C_{s,p}$

$$\|u\|_{W_\sigma^{s+1,p}} \leq C_{s,p} \|\omega\|_{W_\sigma^{s,p}}. \quad (3.4)$$

We shall denote the dual operator of the Lie derivative \mathcal{L}_α of a vector field as \mathcal{L}_α^* , defined by the identity

$$\langle \mathcal{L}_\alpha^* \beta, \gamma \rangle = \langle \beta, \mathcal{L}_\alpha \gamma \rangle,$$

for all smooth vector fields α, β, γ . When $\text{div } \alpha = 0$ the dual Lie operator is given in vector components by

$$(\mathcal{L}_\alpha^* \gamma)_i := - \sum_j (\alpha^j \partial_j \gamma_i + \gamma_j \partial_i \alpha^j). \quad (3.5)$$

3.2. Assumptions on $\{\xi_k\}$ and basic bounds on Lie derivatives. We assume that the vector fields $\xi_k : \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are of class C^4 and satisfy

$$\left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f \right\|_{L^2}^2 \leq C \|f\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \quad (3.6)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle \leq C \|f\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \quad (3.7)$$

for all $f \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|\xi_k\|_{W^{3,2}}^2 < \infty. \quad (3.8)$$

These properties will be used below, both to give a meaning to the stochastic terms in the equation and to prove certain bounds. In addition, a recurrent energy-type scheme in our proofs requires comparisons of quadratic variations and Stratonovich corrections. Making these comparisons leads to sums of the form $\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, f \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle$. In dealing with them, we have observed the validity of two striking bounds, which *a priori* may look surprising. They are:

$$\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, f \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle \leq C_k^{(0)} \|f\|_{L^2}^2 \quad (3.9)$$

$$\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle \leq C_k^{(2)} \|f\|_{W^{2,2}}^2, \quad (3.10)$$

for suitable constants $C_k^{(0)}, C_k^{(2)}$. For these estimates to hold, the regularity of f must be, respectively, $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and $W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. The proofs of estimates (3.9) and (3.10) are given in Section 5.4 below.

Concerning inequality (3.9), it is clear that the second order terms in $\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, f \rangle$ and $\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle$ will cancel. However, the cancellations among the first order terms are not so obvious. Remarkably, though, these terms do cancel each other, so that only the zero-order terms remain. Similar remarks apply to the other inequality.

In addition, we must assume

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k^{(0)} < \infty, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k^{(2)} < \infty. \quad (3.11)$$

Because the constants $C_k^{(i)}$ are rather complicated, we will not write them explicitly here. In the relevant case of a finite number of ξ_k 's, there is obviously no need of this assumption. In the case of infinitely many terms, see a sufficient condition in Remark 32 of Section 5.4.

3.3. Statement of the main results. Let $\{B^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of independent Brownian motions on a filtered probability space $(\Xi, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, P)$. We do not use the most common notation Ω for the probability space, since ω is the traditional notation for the vorticity. Thus the elementary events will be denoted by $\theta \in \Xi$. Let $\{\xi_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of vector fields, satisfying the assumptions of section 3.2. Consider equations (3.3) on $[0, \infty)$.

Definition 7 (Local solution). *A local solution in $W_{\sigma}^{2,2}$ of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3) is given by a pair (τ, ω) consisting of a stopping time $\tau : \Xi \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and a process $\omega : \Xi \times [0, \tau] \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that a.e. the trajectory is of class $C([0, \tau]; W_{\sigma}^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, $\omega(t \wedge \tau, \cdot)$, is adapted to (\mathcal{F}_t) , and equation (3.3) holds in the usual integral sense; More precisely, for any bounded stopping time $\bar{\tau} \leq \tau$*

$$\omega_{\bar{\tau}} - \omega_0 + \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \mathcal{L}_v \omega dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega dt \quad (3.12)$$

holds as an identity in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

Definition 8 (Maximal solution). *A maximal solution of (3.3) is given by a stopping time $\tau_{\max} : \Xi \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ and a process $\omega : \Xi \times [0, \tau_{\max}) \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that: i) $P(\tau_{\max} > 0) = 1$, $\tau_{\max} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n$ where τ_n is an increasing sequence of stopping times, and ii) (τ_n, ω) is a local solution for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$;*

In addition, τ_{\max} is the largest stopping time with properties i) and ii). In other words, if (τ', ω') is another pair that satisfies i) and ii) and $\omega' = \omega$ on $[0, \tau' \wedge \tau_{\max})$, then, $\tau' \leq \tau_{\max}$ P -almost surely.

Remark 9. Due to assumptions (3.6) and (3.7) and the regularity of ω , the two terms related to the noise in equation (3.3) are well defined, as elements of $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

Remark 10. Recall that, for every $\alpha \geq 0$, $\omega(t) \in W^{\alpha,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ implies $v(t) \in W^{\alpha+1,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. Hence solutions in $W^{2,2}$ have paths such that $v \in C([0, \tau]; W^{3,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$. Moreover, recall that $W^{\alpha,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3) \subset C(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ for $\alpha > 3/2$. Therefore $\omega \cdot \nabla v \in C([0, \tau] \times \mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and $v \cdot \nabla \omega$ is at least in $C([0, \tau]; W^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, hence at least

$$[v, \omega] \in C([0, \tau]; W^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

which explains why the term $[v, \omega]$ is in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. (Recall that Definition 7 instructs us to interpret equation (3.3) as an identity in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.)

Remark 11. If $\omega : \Xi \times [0, \tau] \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ has the regularity properties of Definition 7 and satisfies equation (3.3) only in a weak sense, namely, for any bounded stopping time $\bar{\tau} \leq \tau$

$$\langle \omega(\bar{\tau}), \phi \rangle + \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \langle \omega(s), \mathcal{L}_{v(s)}^* \phi \rangle ds + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \langle \omega(s), \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* \phi \rangle B_s^k = \langle \omega_0, \phi \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} \langle \omega(s), \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* \phi \rangle ds$$

for all $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$, then, by integration by parts, it satisfies equation (3.3) as an identity in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

Theorem 12. Given $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a maximal solution (τ_{\max}, ω) of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3). Moreover if (τ', ω') is another maximal solution of (3.3), then necessarily $\tau_{\max} = \tau'$ and $\omega = \omega'$ on $[0, \tau_{\max})$. Moreover either $\tau_{\max} = \infty$ or $\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\omega(t)\|_{W^{2,2}} = +\infty$.

In this paper, we will also prove a corresponding result to the celebrated Beale-Kato-Majda criterion for blow-up of vorticity solutions of the deterministic Euler fluid equations.

Theorem 13. Given $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, if $\tau_{\max} < \infty$, then

$$\int_0^{\tau_{\max}} \|\omega(t)\|_\infty dt = +\infty.$$

In particular, $\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\omega(t)\|_\infty = +\infty$.

Remark 14. As in the deterministic case, Theorem 13 can be used as a criterion for testing whether a given numerical simulation has shown finite-time blow up. Following [14], the classical Beale-Kato-Majda theorem implies that algebraic singularities of the type $\|\omega\|_\infty \geq (t^* - t)^{-p}$ must have $p \geq 1$. In our paper, we have shown that a corresponding BKM result also applies for the stochastic Euler fluid equations; hence, the same criterion applies here. In [2], the L^∞ condition in the BKM theorem was reduced to L^p , for finite p , at the price of imposing constraints on the direction of vorticity. We hope to obtain a similar result for the stochastic 3D-Euler equation in future work.

In sections 4.1 and 4.2 we prove uniqueness. The rest of the paper will be devoted to proving existence of the global solution and Theorem 13.

4. PROOFS OF THE MAIN RESULTS

4.1. Local uniqueness of the solution of the stochastic 3D Euler equation. In the following proposition, we prove that any two local solutions of the stochastic 3D Euler equation (3.3) that are defined up to the *same* stopping time must coincide. The proof hinges on the bound (3.9) and the assumption (3.11).

Proposition 15. *Let τ be a stopping time and $\omega^{(1)}, \omega^{(2)} : [0, \tau) \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be two solutions with paths of class $C\left([0, \tau); W_{\sigma}^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)\right)$ that satisfy the stochastic 3D Euler equation (3.3). Then $\omega^{(1)} = \omega^{(2)}$ on $[0, \tau)$.*

Proof. We have that²

$$d\omega^{(i)} + \mathcal{L}_{v^{(i)}}\omega^{(i)} dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega^{(i)} dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega^{(i)} dt, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where $\omega^{(i)} = \text{curl } v^{(i)}$. The difference $\Omega = \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}$ satisfies

$$d\Omega + \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\omega^{(1)} dt - \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}}\omega^{(2)} dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\Omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\Omega dt$$

and thus (set also $V = v^{(1)} - v^{(2)}$)

$$d\Omega + \mathcal{L}_V\omega^{(1)} dt + \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}}\Omega dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\Omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\Omega dt.$$

It follows

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} d\|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \langle \mathcal{L}_V\omega^{(1)}, \Omega \rangle dt + \langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}}\Omega, \Omega \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\Omega, \Omega \rangle dB_t^k \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\Omega, \Omega \rangle dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\Omega, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\Omega \rangle dt. \end{aligned}$$

We rewrite

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \mathcal{L}_V\omega^{(1)}, \Omega \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}}\Omega, \Omega \rangle \\ &= \langle V \cdot \nabla\omega^{(1)}, \Omega \rangle - \langle \omega^{(1)} \cdot \nabla V, \Omega \rangle + \langle v^{(2)} \cdot \nabla\Omega, \Omega \rangle - \langle \Omega \cdot \nabla v^{(2)}, \Omega \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and use the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \langle V \cdot \nabla\omega^{(1)}, \Omega \rangle \right| &\leq \|\Omega\|_{L^2} \|V\|_{L^4} \left\| \nabla\omega^{(1)} \right\|_{L^4} \leq C \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \\ \left| \langle \omega^{(1)} \cdot \nabla V, \Omega \rangle \right| &\leq \|\Omega\|_{L^2} \|\nabla V\|_{L^2} \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \leq C \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \\ \langle v^{(2)} \cdot \nabla\Omega, \Omega \rangle &= 0 \\ \left| \langle \Omega \cdot \nabla v^{(2)}, \Omega \rangle \right| &\leq \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(2)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \leq C \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2. \end{aligned}$$

²The following identity and all the subsequent ones hold as identities in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and represent the differential form of their integral version in the same way as equation (3.3) is the differential form of (3.12).

Here and below we repeatedly use the Sobolev embedding theorems

$$W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3) \subset C_b(\mathbb{T}^3), \quad W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3) \subset W^{1,4}(\mathbb{T}^3) \quad (4.1)$$

and the fact that Biot-Savart map $\omega \mapsto v$ maps $W^{\alpha,p}$ into $W^{\alpha+1,p}$ for all $\alpha \geq 0$ and $p \in (1, \infty)$. Using also (3.11), we get

$$d \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Omega \rangle dB_t^k \leq C \left(1 + \|\omega^{(1)}\|_{W^{2,2}} + \|\omega^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \right) \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 dt.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} d \left(e^Y \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \right) &= -e^Y \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 C \left(1 + \|\omega^{(1)}\|_{W^{2,2}} + \|\omega^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \right) + e^Y d \|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 \\ &\leq -2e^Y \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Omega \rangle dB_t^k, \end{aligned}$$

where Y is defined as

$$Y_t := - \int_0^t C \left(1 + \|\omega_s^{(1)}\|_{W^{2,2}} + \|\omega_s^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \right) ds.$$

The inequality (recall $\Omega_0 = 0$)

$$e^{Y_{\bar{\tau}}} \|\Omega_{\bar{\tau}}\|_{L^2}^2 \leq -2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\bar{\tau}} e^{Y_s} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega_s, \Omega_s \rangle dB_s^k$$

holds for every bounded stopping time $\bar{\tau} \in [0, \tau]$. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{Y_{t \wedge \tau}} \|\Omega_{t \wedge \tau}\|_{L^2}^2 &\leq -2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} e^{Y_s} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega_s, \Omega_s \rangle dB_s^k \\ &= -2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t 1_{s \leq \tau} e^{Y_s} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega_s, \Omega_s \rangle dB_s^k. \end{aligned}$$

In expectation, denoted \mathbb{E} , this implies

$$\mathbb{E} \left[e^{Y_{t \wedge \tau}} \|\Omega_{t \wedge \tau}\|_{L^2}^2 \right] \leq 0$$

namely $\mathbb{E} \left[e^{Y_{t \wedge \tau}} \|\Omega_{t \wedge \tau}\|_{L^2}^2 \right] = 0$ and thus, for every t ,

$$e^{Y_{t \wedge \tau}} \|\Omega_{t \wedge \tau}\|_{L^2}^2 = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Since $Y_{t \wedge \tau} < \infty$ a.s., we get $\|\Omega_{t \wedge \tau}\|_{L^2}^2 = 0$ a.s. and thus

$$\omega_{t \wedge \tau}^{(1)} = \omega_{t \wedge \tau}^{(2)} \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Recalling the continuity of trajectories, this implies

$$\omega^{(1)} = \omega^{(2)} \quad \text{a.s.}$$

The proof of the proposition is complete. □

4.2. Existence of a maximal solution. Given $R > 0$, consider the modified Euler equations

$$d\omega_R + \kappa_R(\omega_R) \mathcal{L}_{v_R} \omega_R dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R dt, \quad \omega_R|_{t=0} = \omega_0, \quad (4.2)$$

where $\omega_R = \text{curl } v_R$. In (4.2), $\kappa_R(\omega) := f_R(\|\nabla v\|_{\infty})$, where f_R is a smooth function, equal to 1 on $[0, R]$, equal to 0 on $[R+1, \infty)$ and decreasing in $[R, R+1]$.

Lemma 16. *Given $R > 0$ and $\omega_0 \in W_{\sigma}^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, let $\omega_R : \Xi \times [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a global solution in $W^{2,2}$ of equation (4.2). Let*

$$\tau_R = \inf \left\{ t \geq 0 : \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq \frac{R}{C} \right\},$$

where C is a constant chosen so that

$$\|\nabla v\|_{\infty} \leq C \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}.$$

Finally, let $\omega : \Xi \times [0, \tau_R] \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the restriction of ω_R . Then ω is a local solution in $W_{\sigma}^{2,2}$ of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3)

Proof. Obvious, because for $t \in [0, \tau_R]$ we have $\|\nabla v\|_{\infty} \leq C \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \leq R$ and thus $\kappa_R(\omega_R) = 1$, namely the equations are the same. \square

The following proposition is the cornerstone of the existence and uniqueness of a maximal solution of the stochastic 3D Euler equation (3.3)

Proposition 17. *Given $R > 0$ and $\omega_0 \in W_{\sigma}^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a global solution in $W_{\sigma}^{2,2}$ of equation (4.2). Moreover, if $\omega_R^{(1)}, \omega_R^{(2)} : \Xi \times [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are two global solutions in $W_{\sigma}^{2,2}$ of equation (4.2), then $\omega_R^{(1)} = \omega_R^{(2)}$.*

We postpone the proof of Proposition 17 to the later sections. For now let us show how it implies the existence of a maximal solution.

Theorem 18. *Given $\omega_0 \in W_{\sigma}^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a maximal solution (τ_{\max}, ω) of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3). Moreover, either $\tau_{\max} = \infty$ or $\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\tilde{\omega}(t)\|_{W^{2,2}} = +\infty$.*

Proof. Choose $R = n$ in Lemma 16, then (τ_n, ω_n) is a local solution in $W_{\sigma}^{2,2}$ of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3). Moreover, define $\tau_{\max} := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n$ and define ω as $\omega|_{[0, \tau_n)} := \omega_{Cn}|_{[0, \tau_n)}$. By uniqueness $\omega_m|_{[0, \tau_n)} := \omega_n|_{[0, \tau_n)}$ for any $m \geq n$. So ω is consistently defined.

The statement that either $\tau_{\max} = \infty$ or $\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\tilde{\omega}(t)\|_{W^{2,2}} = +\infty$ is obvious: if $\tau_{\max} < \infty$, then by the continuity of $\tilde{\omega}$ on $[0, \tau_{\max})$, there exists some random times $\tilde{\tau}_n < \tau_n$ such that $\tau_n - \tilde{\tau}_n \leq \frac{1}{n}$ and that $\|\tilde{\omega}(\tilde{\tau}_n)\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq \frac{n-1}{C}$. Then

$$\limsup_{t \uparrow \tau_{\max}} \|\tilde{\omega}(t)\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq \limsup_{n \uparrow \infty} \|\tilde{\omega}(\tilde{\tau}_n)\|_{W^{2,2}} = \infty.$$

We prove by contradiction that (τ_{\max}, ω) is a maximal solution. Assume that there exists a pair (τ', ω') such that $\omega' = \omega$ on $[0, \tau' \wedge \tau_{\max})$, and $\tau' > \tau_{\max}$ with positive probability. This can only happen if $\tau_{\max} < \infty$, therefore by the continuity of ω' on $[0, \tau')$ on the set $\{\tau' > \tau_{\max}\}$

$$\infty = \limsup_{n \uparrow \infty} \|\tilde{\omega}(\tilde{\tau}_n)\|_{W^{2,2}} = \limsup_{n \uparrow \infty} \|\tilde{\omega}'(\tilde{\tau}_n)\|_{W^{2,2}} = \|\tilde{\omega}'(\tau_{\max})\|_{W^{2,2}} < \infty,$$

which leads to a contradiction. Hence, necessarily, $\tau' \leq \tau$ P -almost surely, therefore (τ, ω) is a maximal solution. \square

4.3. Uniqueness of the maximal solution. Let us start by justifying the uniqueness of the solution truncated Euler equation (4.2). The proof is similar with that of Proposition 15 so we only sketch it here. Let $\omega_R^{(1)}, \omega_R^{(2)} : \Xi \times [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{T}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are two global solutions in $W_\sigma^{2,2}$ of equation (4.2). We preserve the same notation as in the proof of Proposition 15, i.e. denote by $\Omega = \omega_R^{(1)} - \omega_R^{(2)}$ and $V = v_R^{(1)} - v_R^{(2)}$. We also assume that the truncation function f_R is Lipschitz and we will denote by K_R

$$K_R = f_R(\|\omega_R^{(1)}\|_{2,2}) - f_R(\|\omega_R^{(2)}\|_{2,2})$$

and observe that,³

$$\begin{aligned} |K_R| &\leq C \left(\left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_\infty - \left\| \nabla v^{(2)} \right\|_\infty \right) \\ &\leq C (\|\nabla V\|_\infty) \\ &\leq C \|\Delta \Omega\|_{2,2}^2 \end{aligned}$$

as f_R is Lipschitz. To simplify notation we will omit the dependence on R in the following.

We are looking to prove uniqueness using the $W^{2,2}$ -topology, therefore we need to estimate the sum $\|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta \Omega\|_{L^2}^2$. Then

$$d\Omega + \Phi dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega dt,$$

where

$$\Phi := \kappa \left(\omega^{(1)} \right) \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \omega^{(1)} - \kappa \left(\omega^{(2)} \right) \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}} \omega^{(2)}$$

and thus

$$d\Omega + \langle \Phi, \Omega \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega dt.$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{2} d\|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \langle \Phi, \Omega \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Omega \rangle dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega, \Omega \rangle dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega \rangle dt.$$

On the set $\tau^{(2)} \leq \tau^{(1)}$ observe that Φ is 0 if $\|\omega^{(1)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq \frac{R}{C}$. It follows that, on this set there exists a constant c_R such that (recall that $0 \leq \kappa \leq 1$)

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle \Phi, \Omega \rangle| &= \left| K \left\langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \omega^{(1)}, \Omega \right\rangle + \kappa \left(\omega^{(2)} \right) \left\langle \mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(1)}, \Omega \right\rangle + \kappa \left(\omega^{(2)} \right) \left\langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}} \Omega, \Omega \right\rangle \right| \\ &\leq c_R \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 + \left| \left\langle \mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(1)}, \Omega \right\rangle \right| + |\langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}} \Omega, \Omega \rangle| \end{aligned}$$

and, similar to the proof of Proposition 15 we deduced that

$$d\|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Omega \rangle dB_t^k \leq C \left(1 + \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} + \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \right) \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} dt. \quad (4.3)$$

³Here and everywhere else the value of the constant C can change from one line to another.

Similarly, on the set $\tau^{(2)} \leq \tau^{(1)}$ observe that Φ vanishes, if $\|\omega^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq \frac{R}{C}$ and 4.3 holds true, as seen by observing that there exists a constant c_R such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle \Phi, \Omega \rangle| &= \left| K \langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}} \omega^{(2)}, \Omega \rangle + \kappa \left(\omega^{(1)} \right) \langle \mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(2)}, \Omega \rangle + \kappa \left(\omega^{(1)} \right) \langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \Omega, \Omega \rangle \right| \\ &\leq c_R \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 + \left| \langle \mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(2)}, \Omega \rangle \right| + |\langle \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \Omega, \Omega \rangle|. \end{aligned}$$

Next we have

$$d\Delta\Omega + \Delta\Phi dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega dt$$

from which we deduce that

$$\frac{1}{2} d \|\Delta\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \langle \Delta\Phi, \Delta\Omega \rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle dB_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega \rangle dt.$$

From the Lemma 29 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}} \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle| &\leq C \left\| \nabla v^{(2)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 + C \|\Omega\|_{L^\infty} \left\| \nabla v^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ &\leq C \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by similar arguments,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(1)}, \Delta\Omega \rangle \right| &\leq C \|\nabla V\|_{L^\infty} \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} + C \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla V\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ &\leq C \|\nabla V\|_{W^{2,2}} \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ &\leq C \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Similar estimates hold true for $|\langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_V \omega^{(2)}, \Delta\Omega \rangle|$ and $|\langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle|$. Next, as above, on the set $\tau^{(2)} \leq \tau^{(1)}$ observe there exists a constant c_R such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| K \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \omega^{(1)}, \Delta\Omega \rangle \right| &\leq C \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} + C \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{L^\infty} \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ &\leq c_R \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, on the set $\tau^{(2)} \leq \tau^{(1)}$,

$$\left| K \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}} \omega^{(1)}, \Delta\Omega \rangle \right| \leq c_R \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

Summarizing, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} d \|\Delta\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle dB_t^k &\leq C \left(1 + \left\| \omega^{(1)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} + \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}} \right) \|\Omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega, \Delta\Omega \rangle dt &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega, \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Omega \rangle dt. \end{aligned}$$

It is then sufficient to repeat the argument of the proof of Proposition 15 to control $\|\Omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta\Omega\|_{L^2}^2$ and obtain the uniqueness of the truncated Euler equation. The computation required here requires more regularity in space than what we have for our solutions (we have to compute, although only transiently, $\Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \Omega$). In order to make the computation rigorous one has to regularize solutions by

mollifiers or Yosida approximations and do the computations on the regularizations. In this process, commutators will appear and one has to check at the end that they converge to zero. The details are tedious, but straightforward and we do not write all of them here.

We are now ready to prove the general uniqueness result contained in Theorem 12. More precisely we prove the following

Theorem 19. *Let $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ and (τ_{\max}, ω) be the maximal solution of the stochastic 3D Euler equations (3.3) introduced in Theorem 18. Moreover, let $(\tau, \tilde{\omega})$ be another maximal solutions of the same equation with the same initial condition $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$. Then necessarily $\tau = \tau_{\max}$ and $\omega = \tilde{\omega}$ on $[0, \tau_{\max})$.*

Proof. From the local uniqueness result proved above we deduce that $\omega = \tilde{\omega}$ on $[0, \min(\tau, \tau_{\max}))$. By an argument similar to the one in Theorem 18, we cannot have $\tau_{\max} < \tau$ on any non-trivial set. Hence $\tau < \tau_{\max}$. But then from the maximality property of $(\tau, \tilde{\omega})$ it follows that necessarily $\tau = \tau_{\max}$ and therefore $\omega = \tilde{\omega}$ on $[0, \tau_{\max})$. \square

4.4. Proof of the Beale-Kato-Majda criterion. In this section we prove Theorem 13. In the following, we will use the fact that there exists two constants C_1 and C_2 such that

$$C_1 \|\omega\|_{2,2} \leq \|v\|_{3,2} \leq C_2 \|\omega\|_{2,2}. \quad (4.4)$$

The first inequality follows from that fact that $\omega = \text{curl } v$, whilst the second inequality follows from (3.4).

Lemma 20. *There is a constants C such that*

$$\|\nabla v\|_\infty \leq C \left(1 + \log \left(\|\omega\|_{2,2}^2 + e\right)\right) \|\omega\|_\infty. \quad (4.5)$$

Proof. Cf. [1] the following inequality holds true

$$\|\nabla v\|_\infty \leq C \left(1 + \left(1 + \log^+ \|v\|_{3,2}\right) \|\omega\|_\infty\right) + \|\omega\|_2. \quad (4.6)$$

The result is then obtained from (4.4), the obvious inequality $1 + \log^+ a \leq \log(a + 1)$ and the fact that $\|\omega\|_2 \leq C \|\omega\|_\infty$ on a torus. \square

Theorem 21. *Let τ^1 and τ^2 be the following stopping times*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n^1 \text{ where } \tau_n^1 = \inf_{t \geq 0} \left\{ t \geq 0 \mid \|\omega_t\|_{2,2} \geq n \right\}, \\ \tau^2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n^2 \text{ where } \tau_n^2 = \inf_{t \geq 0} \left\{ t \geq 0 \mid \int_0^t \|\omega_s\|_\infty ds \geq n \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, P -almost surely $\tau^1 = \tau^2$.

Proof. Step 1. $\tau^1 \leq \tau^2$.

From the imbedding $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3) \subset C(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists C such that $\|\omega\|_\infty \leq C \|\omega\|_{2,2}$. Then

$$\int_0^{\tau_n^1} \|\omega_s\|_\infty ds \leq ([C] + 1) \sup_{s \leq \tau_n^1} \|\omega_s\|_{2,2} \leq ([C] + 1) n.$$

Hence $\tau_n^1 \leq \tau_{([C]+1)n}^2 \leq \tau^2$ and therefore the claim holds true.

Step 2. $\tau^2 \leq \tau^1$. *P*-a.s.

We prove that for any $n, k > 0$ we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\log \left(\left(\sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \|\omega_t\|_{2,2} \right)^2 + e \right) \right] < \infty. \quad (4.7)$$

In particular $\sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \|\omega_t\|_{2,2}$ is a finite random variable *P*-almost surely, that is

$$\mathbb{P} \left(\sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \|\omega_t\|_{2,2} < \infty \right) = 1.$$

Since

$$\left\{ \sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \|\omega_t\|_{2,2} < \infty \right\} = \bigcup_N \left\{ \sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \|\omega_t\|_{2,2} < N \right\} \subset \bigcup_N \{ \tau_n^2 \wedge k < \tau_N^1 \} \subset \{ \tau_n^2 \wedge k \leq \tau^1 \}$$

we deduce that $\tau_n^2 \wedge k \leq \tau^1$ *P*-almost surely. Then

$$\{ \tau^2 \leq \tau^1 \} = \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n^2 \leq \tau^1 \right\} = \bigcap_n \{ \tau_n^2 \leq \tau^1 \} = \bigcap_n \bigcap_k \{ \tau_n^2 \wedge k < \tau^1 \}$$

and therefore the second claim holds true since all the sets in the above intersection have full measure.

To prove (4.7) we proceed as follows: For arbitrary $R > 0$, and $\nu \in (0, 1)$, let ω_R^ν the solution of equation

$$d\omega_R^\nu + \kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu) \mathcal{L}_{\nu \omega_R^\nu} \omega_R^\nu dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu dB_t^k = \nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu dt$$

with $\omega_R^\nu|_{t=0} = \omega_0$. We know from the analysis in the next section that if $\omega_0 \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$, then $\omega_t \in W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. To simplify notation, in the following we will omit the dependence on ν and R of ω_R^ν and denote it by ω . We have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} d \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \kappa_R(\omega) \langle \mathcal{L}_\nu \omega, \omega \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle dB_t^k \\ &= \nu \langle \Delta^5 \omega, \omega \rangle dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega, \omega \rangle dt + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \rangle) dt. \\ & \frac{1}{2} d \|\Delta \omega\|_{L^2}^2 + \kappa_R(\omega) \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_\nu \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle dB_t^k \\ &= \nu \langle \Delta^6 \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \rangle) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Next we will use the following set of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta^5 \omega, \omega \rangle &= - \left\| \Delta^{5/2} \omega \right\|_{L^2}^2 \leq 0, \quad \langle \Delta^6 \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle = - \left\| \Delta^{7/2} \omega \right\|_{L^2}^2 \leq 0 \\ |\langle \mathcal{L}_\nu \omega, \omega \rangle| &\leq \|\nabla v\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2, \quad |\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_\nu \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle| \leq C (\|\omega\|_\infty + \|\nabla v\|_\infty) \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2. \end{aligned}$$

The first two inequalities are obvious. The third one comes from the fact that in $\langle \mathcal{L}_v \omega, \omega \rangle$ the term $\langle v \cdot \nabla \omega, \omega \rangle$ vanishes and the term $|\langle \omega \cdot \nabla v, \omega \rangle|$ is bounded by $\|\nabla v\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2$. The last one, the most delicate one, comes from Lemma 29:

$$|\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_v \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle| \leq C \|\nabla v\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2 + C \|\omega\|_\infty \|\nabla v\|_{2,2} \|\omega\|_{2,2}$$

and then we use $\|\nabla v\|_{2,2} \leq \|v\|_{3,2} \leq C \|\omega\|_{2,2}$, see (3.4).

Hence

$$d \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle dB_t^k \leq C (1 + \|\omega\|_\infty + \|\nabla v\|_\infty) \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2 dt \quad (4.8)$$

$$d \|\Delta \omega\|_{L^2}^2 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle dB_t^k \leq C (1 + \|\omega\|_\infty + \|\nabla v\|_\infty) \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2 dt, \quad (4.9)$$

where we used the inequalities (3.9), (3.10) coupled with the assumption (3.11) to control

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega, \omega \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \rangle).$$

Using Itô's formula and the fact that $\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 \leq \|\omega_t\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta \omega_t\|_{L^2}^2$ we deduce, from (4.8)+(4.9), that

$$\begin{aligned} d \log \left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) &\leq \frac{1}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)} d \|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(|\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle| + |\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle| \right)^2 \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)} (1 + \|\omega\|_\infty + \|\nabla v\|_\infty) \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2 dt + dM_t, \end{aligned}$$

where M is the (local) martingale defined as

$$M_t := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \frac{2 (\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle)}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)} dB_s^k$$

We use now (4.5) to deduce

$$d \log \left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \leq mC (1 + \|\omega\|_\infty) \log \left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) dt + dM_t.$$

which, in turn, implies that

$$e^{-CY_t} \log \left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \leq \log \left(\|\omega_0\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta \omega\|_{L^2}^2 + e \right) + \int_0^t e^{-CY_s} dM_s, \quad (4.10)$$

where

$$Y_t = \int_0^t (1 + \|\omega\|_\infty) ds$$

and we use the conventions $e^{-\infty} = 0$ and $0 \times \infty = 0$.

Again, by using the fact $|\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle|$ is controlled by $\|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{L^2}^2$ and that $|\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle|$ is controlled by $\|\xi_k\|_{3,2} \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2$ following Lemma 29, we deduced that

$$|\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle| \leq C \|\xi_k\|_{3,2} \|\omega\|_{2,2}^2. \quad (4.11)$$

From (4.11) and assumption (3.8) we deduce the following control on the quadratic variation of stochastic integral in (4.10)

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\int_0^\cdot e^{-CY_s} dM_s \right]_t &= 4 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t e^{-2CY_s} \frac{(\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \omega \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta \omega \rangle)^2}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)^2} ds \\ &\leq 4C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|\xi_k\|_{3,2}^2 \int_0^t \frac{\|\omega\|_{2,2}^4}{\left(\|\omega_t\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right)^2} ds \\ &\leq Ct. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequality (see, e.g., Theorem 3.28, page 166 in [20]), we deduce that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} \left| \int_0^s e^{-CY_r} dM_r \right| \right] \leq C\sqrt{t}.$$

This means there exists a constant C independent of ν and R such that, upon reverting to the notation ω_R^ν , we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} e^{-\int_0^s C(1 + \|\omega_R^\nu\|_\infty) dr} \log \left(\|\omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \right] \leq \log \left(\|\omega_0\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta \omega\|_{L^2}^2 + e \right) + C\sqrt{t}$$

By Fatou's lemma, it follows that the same limit holds for the limit of ω_R^ν as ν tends to 0 and R tends to ∞ , hence

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} e^{-\int_0^s C(1 + \|\omega_r\|_\infty) dr} \log \left(\|\omega_s\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \right] < \infty.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-Ck(1+n)} \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} \log \left(\|\omega(s)\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \right] &\leq \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, \tau_n^2 \wedge k]} e^{-CY_s} \log \left(\|\omega(s)\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \right] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, k]} e^{-CY_s} \log \left(\|\omega(s)\|_{2,2}^2 + e \right) \right] \\ &\leq \log \left(\|\omega_0\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\Delta \omega\|_{L^2}^2 + e \right) + C\sqrt{t} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

which gives us (4.7). The proof is now complete. \square

Remark 22. *The original Beale-Kato-Majda result refers to a control of the explosion time of $\|v\|_{3,2}$ in terms of $\|\omega\|_\infty$. Our result refers to a control of the explosion time for $\|\omega\|_{2,2}$ in terms of $\|\omega\|_\infty$. However, due to (4.4), we can restate our result in terms of $\|v\|_{3,2}$ as well.*

4.5. Global existence of the truncated solution. Consider the following regularized equation with cut-off, with $\nu, R > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} d\omega_R^\nu + \kappa_R (\omega_R^\nu) \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu} \omega_R^\nu dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu dB_t^k \\ = \nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu dt, \quad \omega_R^\nu|_{t=0} = \omega_0, \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

where $\omega_R^\nu = \text{curl } v_R^\nu$, $\text{div } v_R^\nu = 0$. On the solutions of this problem we want to perform computations involving terms like $\Delta \mathcal{L}_v^2 \omega(t)$, so we need $\omega(t) \in W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. This is why we introduce the strong regularization $\nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu$; the precise power 5 can be understood from the technical computations of Step 1 below. While not optimal, it is a simple choice that allows us to avoid more heavy arguments.

This regularized problem has the following property.

We understand equation (4.12) either in the mild semigroup sense (see below the proof) or in a weak sense over test functions, which are equivalent due to the high regularity of solutions. However $\Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu$ cannot be interpreted in a classical sense, since the solutions, although very regular, will not be in $W^{10,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. The other terms of equation (4.12) can be interpreted in a classical sense.

Lemma 23. *For every $\nu, R > 0$ and $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$, there exists a pathwise unique global strong solution ω_R^ν , of class $L^2(\Xi; C([0, T]; W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)))$ for every $T > 0$. Its paths have a.s. the additional regularity $C([\delta, T]; W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, for every $T > \delta > 0$.*

Proof. Step 1 (preparation). In the following we assume to have fixed $T > 0$ and that all constants are generically denoted by $C > 0$ any constant, with the understanding that it may depend on T .

Let $D(A) = W_\sigma^{10,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and $A : D(A) \subset L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ be the operator $A\omega = \nu \Delta^5 \omega$; $L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ denotes here the closure of $D(A)$ in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ (the trace of the periodic boundary condition at the level of L^2 spaces can be characterized, see [34]). The operator A is self-adjoint and negative definite. Let e^{tA} be the semigroup in $L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ generated by A . The fractional powers $(I - A)^\alpha$ are well defined, for every $\alpha > 0$, and are bi-continuous bijections between $W_\sigma^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ and $W_\sigma^{\beta-10\alpha,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$, for every $\beta \geq 10\alpha$, in particular

$$\|f\|_{W^{10\alpha,2}} \leq C_\alpha \|(I - A)^\alpha f\|_{L^2}$$

for some constant $C_\alpha > 0$, for all $f \in W_\sigma^{10\alpha,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

In the sequel we write $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} f(x) \cdot g(x) dx$. We work on the torus, which simplifies some definitions and properties; thus we write $(1 - \Delta)^{s/2} f$ for the function having Fourier transform $(1 + |\xi|)^{s/2} \widehat{f}(\xi)$ ($\widehat{f}(\xi)$ being the Fourier transform of f); similarly we write $\Delta^{-1} f$ for the function having Fourier transform $|\xi|^{-1} \widehat{f}(\xi)$.

The fractional powers commute with e^{tA} and have the property (from the general theory of analytic semigroups, see [31]) that for every $\alpha > 0$ and $T > 0$

$$\|(I - A)^\alpha e^{tA} f\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{C_\alpha}{t^\alpha} \|f\|_{L^2}$$

for all $t \in (0, T]$ and $f \in L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$.

From these properties it follows that, for $p = 2, 4$

$$\left\| \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f(s) ds \right\|_{W^{p,2}}^2 \leq C \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^{p/10}} \|f(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds \leq CT^{1-\frac{p}{10}} \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(s)\|_{L^2}^2 \quad (4.13)$$

for all $f \in C([0, T]; L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$ and $t \in [0, T]$, because

$$\left\| \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f(s) ds \right\|_{W^{p,2}} \leq C \left\| (I - A)^{p/10} \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f(s) ds \right\|_{L^2} \leq C \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^{p/10}} \|f(s)\|_{L^2} ds.$$

In particular the map $f \mapsto \left(\int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f(s) ds \right)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is linear continuous from $C([0, T]; L_\sigma^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$ to $C([0, T]; W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$. Moreover, for $p = 2, 4$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f_k(s) dB_s^k \right\|_{W^{p,2}}^2 \right] &\leq C \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^{p/5}} \|f_k(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds \right] \\ &= CT^{1-p/5} \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, T]} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k(s)\|_{L^2}^2 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A} f_k(s) dB_s^k \right\|_{W^{p,2}}^2 \right] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t (I - A)^{p/10} e^{(t-s)A} f_k(s) dB_s^k \right\|_{L^2}^2 \right] \\ &\leq C \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \left\| (I - A)^{p/10} e^{(t-s)A} f_k(s) \right\|_{L^2}^2 ds \right] \leq C \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^{p/5}} \|f_k(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It is here that we use the power 5 of Δ , otherwise a smaller power would suffice.

Step 2 (preparation, cont.) The function $\omega \mapsto \kappa_R(\omega) \mathcal{L}_v \omega$ from $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ to $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ is Lipschitz continuous and it has linear growth (the constants in both properties depend on R). Let us check the Lipschitz continuity; the linear growth is an easy consequence, applying Lipschitz continuity with respect to a given element ω^0 .

It is sufficient to check Lipschitz continuity in any ball $B(0, r)$, centered at the origin of radius r , in $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. Indeed, when it is true, one can argue as follows. Take $\omega^{(i)}$, $i = 1, 2$, in $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. If they belong to $B(0, R + 2)$, we have Lipschitz continuity. The case that both are outside $B(0, R + 2)$ is trivial, because the cut-off function vanishes. If one is inside $B(0, R + 2)$ and the other outside, consider the two cases: if the one inside is outside $B(0, R + 1)$, it is trivial again, because the cut-off function vanishes for both functions. If the one inside, say $\omega^{(1)}$, is in $B(0, R)$, then $\mathcal{L}_{v(1)} \omega^{(1)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(1)}) - \mathcal{L}_{v(2)} \omega^{(2)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(2)}) = \mathcal{L}_{v(1)} \omega^{(1)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(1)})$; one has $\|\mathcal{L}_{v(1)} \omega^{(1)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(1)})\|_{L^2} \leq C_R$ (same computations done below) and $\|\omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}} \geq c_R$, for two constants $c_R, C_R > 0$, hence

$$\left\| \mathcal{L}_{v(1)} \omega^{(1)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(1)}) - \mathcal{L}_{v(2)} \omega^{(2)} \kappa_R(\omega^{(2)}) \right\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{C_R}{c_R} \|\omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}\|_{W^{2,2}}.$$

Therefore, let us prove that the function $\omega \mapsto \kappa_R(\omega) \mathcal{L}_v \omega$ from $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ to $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ is Lipschitz continuous on $B(0, r) \subset W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$. Given $\omega^{(i)} \in B(0, r)$, $i = 1, 2$, let us use the

decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\omega^{(1)}\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \mathcal{L}_{v^{(2)}}\omega^{(2)}\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) \\ &= \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\left(\omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}\right)\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) + \mathcal{L}_{(v^{(1)}-v^{(2)})}\omega^{(2)}\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) + \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\omega^{(2)}\left(\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\left(\omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}\right)\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \\ & \leq \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right)^2 \left\| v^{(1)} \right\|_{\infty}^2 \left\| \nabla\left(\omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)}\right) \right\|_{L^2}^2 + \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right)^2 \left\| \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{L^4}^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{L^4}^2 \\ & \leq \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right)^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{\infty}^2 \left\| \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 + \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right)^2 \left\| \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{\infty}^2 \\ & \leq R^2 \left\| \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2; \end{aligned}$$

similarly

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \mathcal{L}_{(v^{(1)}-v^{(2)})}\omega^{(2)}\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \\ & \leq \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right)^2 \left\| \nabla\left(v^{(1)} - v^{(2)}\right) \right\|_{\infty}^2 \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \\ & \leq Cr^2 \left\| v^{(1)} - v^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{3,2}}^2 \leq Cr^2 \left\| \omega^{(1)} - \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

by the Sobolev embedding theorem and (3.4). Finally

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \mathcal{L}_{v^{(1)}}\omega^{(2)}\left(\kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right)\right) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \\ & \leq \left| \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) \right|^2 \left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{\infty}^2 \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \\ & \leq C \left| \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) \right|^2 \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^4 \\ & \leq Cr^4 \left| \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(1)}\right) - \kappa_R\left(\omega^{(2)}\right) \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

because $\left\| \nabla v^{(1)} \right\|_{\infty}^2 \leq C \left\| \omega^{(2)} \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$ as above, and then we use the Lipschitz continuity of the function $\omega \mapsto \kappa_R(\omega)$.

Step 3 (local solution by fixed point). Given $\omega_0 \in L^2\left(\Xi; W_{\sigma}^{2,2}\left(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3\right)\right)$, \mathcal{F}_0 -measurable, consider the mild equation

$$\omega(t) = (\Gamma\omega)(t)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} (\Gamma\omega)(t) &= e^{tA}\omega_0 - \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{v(s)}\omega(s)\kappa_R(\omega(s))ds \\ &+ \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\frac{1}{2}\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega(s)ds - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(s)dB_s^k \end{aligned}$$

with, as usual, $\text{curl } v = \omega$, $\text{div } v = 0$. Set $\mathcal{Y}_T := L^2\left(\Xi; C\left([0, T]; W^{2,2}\left(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3\right)\right)\right)$. The map Γ , applied to an element $\omega \in \mathcal{Y}_T$, gives us an element $\Gamma\omega$ of the same space. Indeed:

- i) e^{tA} is bounded in $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)$ (for instance because it commutes with $(I - A)^{1/5}$) hence $e^{tA}\omega_0$ is in \mathcal{Y}_T ;
- ii) $\mathcal{L}_v\omega\kappa_R(\omega) \in L^2(\Xi; C([0, T]; L^2_\sigma(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)))$ by Step 2, hence $\int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{v(s)}\omega(s)\kappa_R(\omega(s))ds$ is an element of \mathcal{Y}_T , by property (4.13) of Step 1;
- iii) $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega \in L^2(\Xi; C([0, T]; L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)))$ from assumption (3.6), hence $\int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\frac{1}{2}\sum_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega(s)ds$ is in \mathcal{Y}_T by property (4.13);
- iv) since, by assumption (3.7),

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(s)\|_{L^2}^2 \leq C \|\omega(s)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$$

we apply property (4.14) and get that $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(s)dB_s^k$ is in $L^2(\Xi; C([0, T]; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)))$.

The proof that Γ is Lipschitz continuous in \mathcal{Y}_T is based on the same facts, in particular the Lipschitz continuity proved in Step 2. Then, using the smallness of the constants for small T in properties (4.13) and (4.14) of Step 1, one gets that Γ is a contraction in \mathcal{Y}_T , for sufficiently small $T > 0$.

Step 4 (*a priori* estimate and global solution). The length of the time interval of the local solution proved in Step 2 depends only on the $L^2(\Xi; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ norm of ω_0 . If we prove that, given $T > 0$ and the initial condition ω_0 , there is a constant $C > 0$ such that a solution ω defined on $[0, T]$ has $\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C$, then we can repeatedly apply the local result of Step 2 and cover any time interval.

Thus we need such *a priori* bound. Let ω be such a solution, namely satisfying $\omega = \Gamma\omega$ on $[0, T]$. From the bounds (4.13) and (4.14) of Step 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] &\leq C\mathbb{E} \left[\|e^{tA}\omega_0\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] + C\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{v(s)}\omega(s)\kappa_R(\omega(s))ds \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \\ &\quad + C\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\frac{1}{2}\sum_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega(s)ds \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] + C\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \sum_{k=1}^\infty \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A}\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(s)dB_s^k \right\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \\ &\leq C\mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_0\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] + C\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^{2/5}} \|\omega(s)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 ds \right] \end{aligned}$$

hence we may apply a generalized version of the Grönwall lemma and conclude that

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C.$$

Step 5 (regularity). Let ω be the solution constructed in the previous steps; it is the sum of the four terms given by the mild formulation $\omega = \Gamma\omega$. By the property $e^{tA}\omega_0 \in D(A)$ for all $t > 0$ and $\omega_0 \in L^2_\sigma(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ (see [31]), we have $e^{tA}\omega_0 \in C([\delta, T]; W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, for every $T > \delta > 0$. The two Lebesgue integrals in $\Gamma\omega$ belong, pathwise a.s., to $C([0, T]; W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, for every $T > 0$, because of property (4.13), and the fact that $\mathcal{L}_v\omega\kappa_R(\omega)$ and $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2\omega$ are, pathwise a.s., elements of $C([0, T]; L^2(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$, as showed in Step 2. Finally, the stochastic integral in $\Gamma\omega$ belongs to $L^2(\Xi; C([0, T]; W^{4,2}(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)))$ by property (4.14), and the fact that $\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \in [0, T]} \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(s)\|_{L^2_\sigma}^2 \right] < \infty$, as showed again in Step 2. \square

Definition 24. On a complete separable metric space (X, d) , a family $F = \{\mu_\nu\}_{\nu>0}$ of probability measures is called *tight* if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there is a compact set $K_\epsilon \subset X$ such that $\mu_\nu(K_\epsilon) \geq 1 - \epsilon$ for all $\nu > 0$.

Remark 25. The Prohorov theorem states that, for a tight family of probability measures, one can extract a sequence $\{\mu_{\nu_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ which weakly converges to some probability measure,

$$\mu : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X \varphi d\mu_{\nu_n} = \int_X \varphi d\mu,$$

for all bounded continuous functions $\varphi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. We repeatedly use these facts below.

In order to prove Proposition 18, we want to prove that the family of solutions $\{\omega_R^\nu\}_{\nu>0}$ (R is given) provided by Lemma 23 is compact in a suitable sense and that a converging subsequence extracted from this family converges to a solution of equation (4.17). Since $\{\omega_R^\nu\}_{\nu>0}$ are random processes, the classical method we follow is to prove compactness of their laws $\{\mu_\nu\}_{\nu>0}$. For this purpose, we have to prove that $\{\mu_\nu\}_{\nu>0}$ is tight and we have to apply Prohorov theorem, as recalled above. The metric space where we prove tightness of the laws will be the space E given by (4.15) below. For that purpose, we denote by $C_w([0, T]; W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ the space $C([0, T]; W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ endowed with the weak-star topology in time.

Lemma 26. Let $T > 0$, $R > 0$ and $\omega_0 \in W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ be given. Assume that the family of laws of $\{\omega_R^\nu\}_{\nu>0}$ is tight in the space

$$E = L^2(0, T; W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)) \cap C_w([0, T]; W_\sigma^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)) \quad (4.15)$$

for some $\beta > \frac{3}{2}$. Then the existence claim of Proposition 17 holds true, and thus Theorem 12 is proved.

Proof.

Step 1 (Gyongy-Krylov approach). We base our proof on classical ingredients, but also on the following fact proved in [15], Lemma 1.1. Let $\{Z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of random variables (r.v.) with values in a Polish space (E, d) endowed with the Borel σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(E)$. Assume that the family of laws of $\{Z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is tight. Moreover, assume that the limit in law of any pair $\left(Z_{n_j^{(1)}}, Z_{n_j^{(2)}}\right)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ of subsequences is a measure, on $E \times E$, supported on the diagonal of $E \times E$. Then $\{Z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in probability to some r.v. Z .

We take as Polish space E the space (4.15) above, as random variables $\{Z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence $\left\{\omega_R^{1/n}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, whose family of laws is tight by assumption. We have to check that the limit in law of any pair $\left(\omega_R^{1/n_j^{(1)}}, \omega_R^{1/n_j^{(2)}}\right)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is supported on the diagonal of $E \times E$. For this purpose, we shall use global uniqueness.

Step 2 (Preparation by the Skorokhod theorem). Let us enlarge the previous pair by the noise and consider the following triple: the sequence $\left\{\omega_R^{1/n_j^{(1)}}, \omega_R^{1/n_j^{(2)}}, \{B^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\right\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges in law to a probability measure μ , on $E \times E \times C([0, T])^\mathbb{N}$. We have to prove that the marginal $\mu_{E \times E}$ of μ on $E \times E$ is supported on the diagonal. By the Skorokhod representation theorem, there exists a probability space $(\tilde{\Xi}, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}, \tilde{P})$ and $E \times E \times C([0, T])^\mathbb{N}$ -valued random variables $\left\{\tilde{\omega}_R^{1,j}, \tilde{\omega}_R^{2,j}, \{\tilde{B}^{k,j}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\right\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and

$(\tilde{\omega}_R^1, \tilde{\omega}_R^2, \{\tilde{B}^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}})$ with the same laws as $\left\{ \omega_R^{1/n_j^{(1)}}, \omega_R^{1/n_j^{(2)}}, \{B^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and μ , respectively,⁴ such that as $j \rightarrow \infty$ one has $\tilde{\omega}_R^{1,j} \rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_R^1$ in E , $\tilde{\omega}_R^{2,j} \rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_R^2$ in E , $\tilde{B}^{k,j} \rightarrow \tilde{B}^k$ in $C([0, T])$, a.s. In particular, $\{\tilde{B}^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of independent Brownian motions.

Since the pairs $(\omega_R^{1/n_j^{(i)}}, \{B^k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}})$, $i = 1, 2$, solve equation (4.12) and $(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}, \{\tilde{B}^{k,j}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}})$ have the same laws (being marginals of vectors with the same laws), by a classical argument (see for instance [4]) the pairs $(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}, \{\tilde{B}^{k,j}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}})$, $i = 1, 2$, also solve equation (4.12), with $\nu_j^{(i)} := 1/n_j^{(i)}$, $i = 1, 2$, respectively. In other words,

$$d\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} + \kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}) \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^{i,j}} \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} d\tilde{B}_t^{k,j} = \nu_j^{(i)} \Delta^5 \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} dt \quad (4.16)$$

with $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}|_{t=0} = \omega_0$, where $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} = \text{curl } \tilde{v}_R^{i,j}$.

Step 3 (property of being supported on the diagonal). The passage to the limit in equation (4.16) when there is strong convergence (\tilde{P} -a.s.) in $L^2(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ is relatively classical, see [8]. We sketch the main points in Step 4 below. One deduces

$$d\tilde{\omega}_R^i + \kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i) \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^i} \tilde{\omega}_R^i dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \tilde{\omega}_R^i d\tilde{B}_t^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \tilde{\omega}_R^i dt \quad (4.17)$$

in the weak sense explained in Remark 11. Since $\tilde{\omega}_R^i$ have paths in $C([0, T]; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$, the derivatives can be applied on $\tilde{\omega}_R^i$ by integration by parts and we get the equation in the strong sense. Now we apply the pathwise uniqueness of solutions for equation (4.2) in $W^{2,2}$ as deduced in Section 4.3 to deduce $\tilde{\omega}_R^1 = \tilde{\omega}_R^2$. This means that the law of $(\tilde{\omega}_R^1, \tilde{\omega}_R^2)$ is supported on the diagonal of $E \times E$. Since this law is equal to $\mu_{E \times E}$, we have that $\mu_{E \times E}$ is supported on the diagonal of $E \times E$.

Step 4 (convergence). In this step we give a few details about the passage to the limit, as $j \rightarrow \infty$, from equation (4.16) to equation (4.17). We do not give the details about the linear terms, except for a comment about the term $\nu_j^{(i)} \Delta^5 \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}$. Namely, in weak form we write it as (with $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$)

$$\nu_j^{(i)} \int_0^t \langle \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s), \Delta^5 \phi \rangle ds$$

and use the pathwise convergence in $L^2(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ of $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s)$ plus the fact that $\nu_j^{(i)} \rightarrow 0$.

The difficult term is the nonlinear one, also because of the cut-off term $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i(s))$. We want to prove that, given $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$,

$$\int_0^t \kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s)) \langle \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s), \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^{i,j}}^* \phi \rangle ds \xrightarrow{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i(s)) \langle \tilde{\omega}_R^i(s), \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^i}^* \phi \rangle ds \quad (4.18)$$

with probability one. We know that, \tilde{P} -a.s., $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j} \rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_R^i$ strongly in $L^2(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$, hence $\tilde{v}_R^{i,j} \rightarrow \tilde{v}_R^i$ strongly in $L^2(0, T; W^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$. From formula (3.5) for \mathcal{L}^* , we have

$$\langle \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(\cdot), \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^{i,j}}^* \phi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \tilde{\omega}_R^i(\cdot), \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^i}^* \phi \rangle$$

⁴In particular, for each j , $\{\tilde{B}^{k,j}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of independent Brownian motions.

in $L^1(0, T)$. In fact we have a higher order of integrability, uniform in j , due to the weak-star convergence in $C_w([0, T]; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$, which implies that, \tilde{P} -a.s., $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(\cdot)$ are equibounded in (t, x) (recall also the embedding $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \subset C(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$). Consequently, \tilde{P} -a.s., $\langle \tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(\cdot), \mathcal{L}_{\tilde{v}_R^{i,j}}^* \phi \rangle$ are equibounded in $L^2(0, T)$. Hence, if we prove that $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s)) \rightarrow \kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i(s))$ for a.e. $s \in [0, T]$, and because these functions are bounded by 1, we can take the limit in (4.18). Therefore it remains to prove that, \tilde{P} -a.s., $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s))$ converges to $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i(s))$ for a.e. $s \in [0, T]$, or at least in probability w.r.t. time. This is true because strong convergence in $L^2(0, T)$ in time implies convergence in probability w.r.t. time; and we have strong convergence in $L^2(0, T)$, of $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}(s))$, because κ_R is bounded continuous, $\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j}$ converges strongly in $L^2(0, T; W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$, hence $\nabla \tilde{v}_R^{i,j}$ converges strongly in $L^2(0, T; W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ hence in $L^2(0, T; C(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$ by Sobolev embedding theorem. Hence, $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^{i,j})$ converges to $\kappa_R(\tilde{\omega}_R^i)$ in probability w.r.t. time, and the proof is complete. \square

Based on this lemma, we need to prove suitable bounds on $\{\omega_R^\nu\}_{\nu>0}$.

Theorem 27. *Assume that, for some $N \geq 0$ and $\alpha > 0$,*

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C_1 \quad (4.19)$$

$$\mathbb{E} \int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\|\omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2}{|t-s|^{1+2\alpha}} dt ds \leq C_2 \quad (4.20)$$

for all $\nu \in (0, 1)$. Then the family of laws of $\{\omega_R^\nu\}_{\nu \in (0,1)}$ is tight in the space E given by (4.15).

Proof. We shall use the following variant of Aubin-Lions lemma, that can be found in [23], or in [8]. Recall that, given an Hilbert space W , a norm on $W^{\alpha,2}(0, T; W)$ is the square root of

$$\int_0^T \|f(t)\|_W^2 dt + \int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\|f(t) - f(s)\|_W^2}{|t-s|^{1+2\alpha}} dt ds.$$

Assume that V, H, W are separable Hilbert spaces with continuous dense embedding $V \subset H \subset W$. Assume that $V \subset H$ is a compact embedding. Assume $\alpha > 0$. Then

$$L^2(0, T; V) \cap W^{\alpha,2}(0, T; W)$$

is compactly embedded into $L^2(0, T; H)$. We apply it to the spaces

$$H = W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3), \quad V = W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3), \quad W = W^{-N,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$$

where $\beta \in (\frac{3}{2}, 2)$. The constraint $\beta < 2$ is imposed because we want to use the compactness of the embedding $W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \subset W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$. The constraint $\beta > \frac{3}{2}$ is imposed because we want to use the embedding $W^{\beta,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \subset C(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$.

Let $\{Q_\nu\}$ be the family of laws of $\{\omega_R^\nu\}$, supported on

$$E_0 := C([0, T]; W^{2,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)) \cap W^{\alpha,2}(0, T; W^{-N,2}(\mathbb{T}^3, \mathbb{R}^3))$$

by the assumption of the theorem. We want to prove that $\{Q_\nu\}$ is tight in E . The sets K_{R_1, R_2, R_3} defined as

$$\left\{ f : \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \leq R_1, \int_0^T \|f(t)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2 dt \leq R_2, \int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\|f(t) - f(s)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2}{|t-s|^{1+2\alpha}} dt ds \leq R_3 \right\}$$

with $R_1, R_2, R_3 > 0$ are relatively compact in E . Let us prove that, given $\epsilon > 0$, there are $R_1, R_2, R_3 > 0$ such that

$$Q_\nu(K_{R_1, R_2, R_3}^c) \leq \epsilon$$

for all $\nu \in (0, 1)$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_\nu \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 > R_1 \right) &= P \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right]}{R_1} \leq \frac{C_1}{R_1} \end{aligned}$$

and this is smaller than $\epsilon/3$ when R_1 is large enough. Similarly we get

$$Q_\nu \left(\int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\|f(t) - f(s)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2}{|t-s|^{1+2\alpha}} dt ds > R_3 \right) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

when R_3 is large enough. Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_\nu \left(\int_0^T \|f(t)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2 dt > R_2 \right) &\leq Q_\nu \left(T \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2 dt > R_2 \right) \\ &\leq Q_\nu \left(CT \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 dt > R_2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

for a constant $C > 0$ such that $\|f(t)\|_{W^{-N,2}}^2 \leq C \|f(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$. Hence also this quantity is smaller than $\frac{\epsilon}{3}$ when R_2 is large enough. We deduce $Q_\nu(K_{R_1, R_2, R_3}^c) \leq \epsilon$ and complete the proof. \square

The difficult part of the estimates above is bound (4.19). Thus, let us postpone it and first show bound (4.20).

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5.1. Fractional Sobolev regularity in time. In this section we show that bound (4.20), with $N = 1$, follows from (an easier version of) bound (4.19).

Lemma 28. *Assume*

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C.$$

Then the bound in (4.20), with $N = 3$ and any $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, holds true.

Proof. Step 1 (Preparation). In the sequel, we take $t \geq s$ and denote by $C > 0$ any constant. From equation (4.12) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s) &= - \int_s^t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu(r) dB_r^k \\ &\quad + \int_s^t \left(\nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu(r) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu(r) - \kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu(r)) \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu(r)} \omega_R^\nu(r) \right) dr \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] &\leq 4(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu(r)) \left\| \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu(r)} \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + 4(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + 4(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + 4\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \int_s^t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu(r) dB_r^k \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that $\|f\|_{W^{-3,2}} \leq C \|f\|_{L^2}$, which follows by duality from $\|f\|_{L^2} \leq C \|f\|_{W^{3,2}}$. Hence, again denoting any of the constants in the calculation below as $C > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] &\leq C(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu(r)) \left\| \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu(r)} \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + C(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + C(t-s) \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \right] dr \\ &\quad + C\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \int_s^t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu(r) dB_r^k \right\|_{L^2}^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The only term where $W^{-3,2}$ is necessary is the term $\|\Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2$; we keep it also in the first term, but this is not essential. Now let us estimate each term.

Step 2 (Estimates of the deterministic terms). We have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle v_R^\nu \cdot \nabla \omega_R^\nu, \phi \rangle| &= |\langle \omega_R^\nu, v_R^\nu \cdot \nabla \phi \rangle| \\ &\leq \|\phi\|_{W^{1,2}} \|v_R^\nu\|_{L^2} \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty} \\ &\leq C \|\phi\|_{W^{1,2}} \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty} \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^2} \\ &\leq C \|\phi\|_{W^{1,2}} \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty} \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\|v_R^\nu \cdot \nabla \omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

Moreover, also

$$\|\omega_R^\nu \cdot \nabla v_R^\nu\|_{L^2} \leq \|\omega_R^\nu\|_\infty \|\nabla v_R^\nu\|_{L^2} \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

Summarizing

$$\left\| \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu(r)} \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

Therefore

$$\kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu(r)) \left\| \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu(r)} \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

For the next term, we have

$$\|\Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu\|_{H^{-3}}^2 \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$$

hence

$$\int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] dr \leq C \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] dr \leq C$$

because we have the property $\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C$.

For the subsequent term we have

$$\left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \leq C \|\omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$$

by assumption (3.6) and therefore

$$\int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu(r) \right\|_{L^2}^2 \right] dr \leq C \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] dr \leq C$$

as above.

Step 3 (Estimate of the stochastic term). One has

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \int_s^t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu(r) dB_r^k \right\|_{L^2}^2 \right] &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{L^2}^2 \right] dr \\ &\leq C \int_s^t \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(r)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] dr \end{aligned}$$

by assumption (3.7),

$$\leq C \mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_0^\nu\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] (t - s)$$

by the assumption of this lemma.

Step 4 (Conclusion). From the previous steps we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\|\omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2 \right] \leq C(t - s).$$

Hence

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\|\omega_R^\nu(t) - \omega_R^\nu(s)\|_{W^{-3,2}}^2}{|t - s|^{1+2\alpha}} dt ds \right] \leq \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{C}{|t - s|^{2\alpha}} dt ds \right] \leq C$$

for all $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$. □

5.2. Some *a priori* estimates. In order to complete the proof of Theorem 12, we still need to prove estimate (4.19). To be more explicit, since now a long and difficult computation starts, what we have to prove is that, given $R > 0$, called for every $\nu \in (0, 1)$ by ω_R^ν the solution of equation

$$d\omega_R^\nu + \kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu) \mathcal{L}_{v_R^\nu} \omega_R^\nu dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega_R^\nu dB_t^k = \nu \Delta^5 \omega_R^\nu dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega_R^\nu dt$$

with $\omega_R^\nu|_{t=0} = \omega_0$, there is a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\omega_R^\nu(t)\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 \right] \leq C$$

for every $\nu \in (0, 1)$.

In order to simplify notations, we shall simply write

$$\begin{aligned} \omega & \text{ for } \omega_R^\nu \\ v & \text{ for } v_R^\nu \\ \kappa & \text{ for } \kappa_R(\omega_R^\nu) \end{aligned}$$

not forgetting that all bounds have to be uniform in $\nu \in (0, 1)$.

Difficulty compared to the deterministic case. In the deterministic case $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx$ is equal to the sum of several terms. Using Sobolev embedding theorems (4.1) one can estimate all terms as

$$\leq C \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx,$$

except for the term with higher order derivatives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (v \cdot \nabla \Delta \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx.$$

However, this term vanishes, being equal to

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (v \cdot \nabla) |\Delta \omega|^2 dx = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega|^2 \operatorname{div} v dx = 0.$$

In the stochastic case, though, we have many more terms, coming from two sources:

i) the term $\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega dt$, which is a second order differential operator in ω , hence much more demanding than the deterministic term $\mathcal{L}_v \omega$;

ii) the Itô correction term in Itô formula for $d \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx$.

A quick inspection in these additional terms immediately reveals that the highest order terms compensate (one from (i) and the other from (ii)) and cancel each other. These terms are of “order 6” in the sense that, globally speaking, they involve 6 derivatives of ω . The new outstanding problem is that there remains a large amount of terms of “order 5”, hence not bounded by $C \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx$ (which is of “order 4”). After a few computations one is naïvely convinced that these terms are too numerous to compensate and cancel one another.

But this is not true. A careful algebraic manipulation of differential operators, as well as their commutators and adjoint operators, finally shows that all terms of “order 5” do cancel each other. At the end we are able to estimate remaining terms again by $C \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx$ (now in expectation) and obtain the *a priori* estimates we seek.

Preparatory remarks. By again using the regularity result of Lemma 23, we may write the identity

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\omega(t) &= \Delta\omega_0 + A \int_0^t \omega(s) ds - \int_0^t \kappa(s) \Delta\mathcal{L}_v\omega(s) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \Delta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega(s) ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega(s) dB_s^k\end{aligned}$$

and we may apply a suitable Itô formula in the Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{T}^3)$ (see [19]) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2}d \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta\omega(t, x)|^2 dx + \nu \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta^2\omega|^2 dx dt &= -\kappa(t) \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta\mathcal{L}_v\omega \cdot \Delta\omega dx \right) dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega \cdot \Delta\omega dx \right) dt \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta\omega dx \right) dB_t^k \\ &\quad + \text{Itô correction.}\end{aligned}\tag{5.1}$$

Being $\Delta\omega(t)$ of the form $d(\Delta\omega(t, x)) = a_t(x) dt + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_t^k(x) dB_t^k$, with $b_t^k(x) = -\Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(t)$, one has

$$d\frac{1}{2}|\Delta\omega(t, x)|^2 = \Delta\omega(t, x) \cdot d(\Delta\omega(t, x)) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_t^k(x)|^2 dt$$

hence the Itô correction above is given by (we have to integrate in dx the previous identity)

$$\text{Itô correction} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}\omega(t)|^2 dx dt.$$

Let us list the main considerations about the identity (5.1).

- (1) The term $\nu \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta^2\omega|^2 dx$ will not be used in the estimates, since they have to be independent of ν ; we only use the fact that this term has the right sign.
- (2) The term

$$\kappa(t) \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta\mathcal{L}_v\omega \cdot \Delta\omega dx\tag{5.2}$$

can be estimated by $C \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta\omega(t, x)|^2 dx$ exactly as in the deterministic theory. The computations are given in subsection 5.2 below.

- (3) The term $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta\omega dx \right) dB_t^k$ is a local martingale. Rigorously, we shall introduce a sequence of stopping times and then, taking expectation, this term will disappear. Then the stopping times will be removed by a straightforward limit.
- (4) The main difficulty comes from the term

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 \omega, \Delta\omega \rangle + \langle \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega, \Delta\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \rangle \right),\tag{5.3}$$

since it includes, as mentioned above in section 5.2, various terms which are of “order 6” and of “order 5”, where “order” means the global number of spatial derivatives. These terms cannot be estimated by $C \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx$. As it turns out, the terms of “order 6” cancel each other: this is straightforward and expected. But a large number of intricate terms of “order 5” still remain, which, naïvely, may give the impression that the estimate cannot be closed. On the contrary, though, they also cancel each other: this is the content of section 5.4, summarised in assumption (3.11).

Estimate of the classical term (5.2). The following lemma deals with the control of the classical term (5.2).

Lemma 29. *Given $u \in W_\sigma^{3,2}, \omega \in W_\sigma^{2,2}$ (not necessarily related by $\text{curl } u = \omega$), one has*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_u \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right| &\leq C \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2 + C \|\omega\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla u\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ &\leq C (\|\nabla v\|_{L^\infty} + \|\omega\|_{L^\infty}) \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since the second inequality is derived from the first and the fact that $\|\nabla u\|_{W^{2,2}} \leq C \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}$ we concentrate on the first. We use tools and ideas from the classical deterministic theory, see for instance [1, 18, 24, 25]. We have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_v \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta (v \cdot \nabla \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \Delta (\omega \cdot \nabla v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\Delta v \cdot \nabla \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (v \cdot \nabla \Delta \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + 2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{\alpha} (\partial_{\alpha} v \cdot \nabla \partial_{\alpha} \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx \\ &+ \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\Delta \omega \cdot \nabla v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\omega \cdot \nabla \Delta v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + 2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{\alpha} (\partial_{\alpha} \omega \cdot \nabla \partial_{\alpha} v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx. \end{aligned}$$

The term $\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (v \cdot \nabla \Delta \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx$ is equal to zero, being equal to $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} v \cdot \nabla |\Delta \omega|^2 dx$ which is zero after integration by parts and using $\text{div } v = 0$. The terms

$$2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{\alpha} (\partial_{\alpha} v \cdot \nabla \partial_{\alpha} \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\Delta \omega \cdot \nabla v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx$$

are immediately estimated by $C \|\nabla v\|_{L^\infty} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$. The term $\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\omega \cdot \nabla \Delta v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx$ is easily estimated by $C \|\omega\|_{L^\infty} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$. It remains to understand the other two terms. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\Delta v \cdot \nabla \omega) \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right| &\leq C \|\Delta v \cdot \nabla \omega\|_{L^2} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \\ \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\partial_{\alpha} \omega \cdot \nabla \partial_{\alpha} v) \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right| &\leq C \|\partial_{\alpha} \omega \cdot \nabla \partial_{\alpha} v\|_{L^2} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we only need to prove that

$$\|\partial_{\alpha} \omega \partial_{\beta} \partial_{\gamma} v\|_{L^2} \leq C (\|\nabla v\|_{L^\infty} + \|\omega\|_{L^\infty}) \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \quad (5.4)$$

for every $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = 1, 2, 3$. Recall the following particular case of Gagliardo-Nirenberg interpolation inequality:

$$\|\partial_{\alpha} f\|_{L^4}^2 \leq C \|f\|_{L^\infty} \|f\|_{W^{2,2}},$$

which implies

$$\|\partial_\alpha \omega \partial_\beta \partial_\gamma v\|^2 \leq C \|\omega\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \|\nabla v\|_\infty \|\nabla v\|_{W^{2,2}}.$$

Moreover, due to the relation between v and ω , we also have $\|\nabla v\|_{W^{2,2}} \leq C \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_\alpha \omega \partial_\beta \partial_\gamma v\| &\leq C \|\omega\|_\infty^{1/2} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^{1/2} \|\nabla v\|_\infty^{1/2} \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}}^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \|\omega\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} + C \|\nabla v\|_\infty \|\omega\|_{W^{2,2}} \end{aligned}$$

and inequality (5.4) has been proved. The proof of the lemma is complete. \square

5.3. Estimates uniform in time. We introduce the following notations

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_t &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\omega(t, x)|^2 dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\Delta \omega(t, x)|^2 dx \\ M_t &= \int_0^t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right) dB_s^k. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, following from the estimates of the previous section and assumption (3.11), we have

$$\alpha_t \leq \alpha_0 + 2M_t + C_R \int_0^t \alpha_s ds$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{s \in [0, t]} \alpha_s &\leq e^{C_R t} (\alpha_0 + 2 \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |M_s|) \\ \mathbb{E}[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} \alpha_s^2] &\leq 4e^{C_R t} (\alpha_0^2 + \mathbb{E}[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} |M_s|^2]). \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

By the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequality (see, e.g., Theorem 3.28, page 166 in [20]), we have that

$$\mathbb{E}[\sup_{s \in [0, t]} |M_s|^2] \leq K_2 \mathbb{E}[[M]_t], \quad (5.6)$$

where $[M]$ is the quadratic variation of the local martingale M and

$$[M]_t = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right)^2 ds.$$

Lemma 30. *Under the assumption (3.8), there is a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$[M]_t \leq C \alpha_t^2.$$

Proof. Since $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega = \xi_k \cdot \nabla \omega - \omega \cdot \nabla \xi_k$, we have

$$\Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega = \xi_k \cdot \nabla \Delta \omega + R_k \omega$$

where $R_k \omega$ contains several terms, each one with at most second derivatives of ω . Since $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi_k \cdot \nabla \Delta \omega \Delta \omega dx = 0$, we deduce

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right| \leq C_k \alpha_s$$

for some constant $C_k > 0$. Hence

$$[M]_t = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \omega dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega \cdot \Delta \omega dx \right)^2 ds \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k^2 \int_0^t \alpha_s^2 ds.$$

With a few more computations it is possible to show that

$$C_k \leq C \|\xi_k\|_{W^{3,2}}.$$

Hence we use assumption (3.8). □

From Lemma 30, we deduce

$$\mathbb{E}[[M]_t] \leq C \int_0^t \mathbb{E}[\sup_{r \in [0,s]} \alpha_r^2] dr \quad (5.7)$$

and thus finally from (5.5), (5.6) and (5.7) and Grönwall's inequality we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}[\sup_{s \in [0,t]} \alpha_s^2] \leq C,$$

independently of $\epsilon > 0$. This proves bound (4.19) and completes the necessary *a priori* bounds, modulo the estimates of the next section.

5.4. Bounds on Lie derivatives. Recall the notation \mathcal{L}_{ξ_k} , $k = 1, \dots, \infty$ for the (first order) operators $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \omega = [\xi_k, \omega]$, $k = 1, \dots, \infty$.

Lemma 31. *Inequality (3.9) holds for every vector field f of class $W^{2,2}$.*

Proof. Step 1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* &= -\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} + S_2, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 &= S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} - S_4, \end{aligned}$$

where S_2 and S_4 are certain zero order operators (see below for a proof). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [\xi_k, f], [\xi_k, f] \rangle + \langle [\xi_k, [\xi_k, f]], f \rangle &= \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, f \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* f \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle - \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 f \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 f \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

However, since $\langle f, S_2 f' \rangle = \langle S_2 f, f' \rangle$ for any f, f' two square integrable vector fields (see below for a proof)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 f \rangle &= \langle f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* S_2 f \rangle = -\langle f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 f \rangle + \langle f, S_2^2 f \rangle \\ &= -\langle f, S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle f, S_4 f \rangle + \langle f, S_2^2 f \rangle \\ &= -\langle S_2 f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle f, S_4 f \rangle + \langle f, S_2^2 f \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\langle [\xi_k, f], [\xi_k, f] \rangle + \langle [\xi_k, [\xi_k, f]], f \rangle = \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 f \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle f, (S_2^2 + S_4) f \rangle$$

Step 2. Now we prove that $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* = -\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} + S_2$ and that $\langle f, S_2 f' \rangle = \langle S_2 f, f' \rangle$ for any two square integrable vector fields f, f' . We also have by integration by parts and using $\nabla \cdot \xi_k = 0$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, f' \rangle &= \sum_i \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_i(x) f'_i(x) dx^3 \\
&= \sum_i \sum_j \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\xi_k^j \partial_j f_i - f_j \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) f'_i(x) dx^3 \\
&= \sum_i \sum_j \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (-\xi_k^j \partial_j f'_i)(x) f_i(x) dx^3 - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) f_j(x) f'_i(x) dx^3 \right) \\
&= - \sum_i \sum_j \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\xi_k^j \partial_j f'_i - f'_j \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) f_i(x) dx^3 + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\partial_i \xi_k^j + \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) f_j(x) f'_i(x) dx^3 \right) \\
&= - \langle f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f' \rangle + \langle f, S_2 f' \rangle,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\langle f, S_2 f' \rangle = \langle S_2 f, f' \rangle = - \sum_i \sum_j \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\partial_i \xi_k^j + \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) f_j(x) f'_i(x) dx^3.$$

Step 3. Finally we prove that $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 = S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} - S_4$. We have $(S_2 f)_i(x) = \sum_j a_{ij}(x) f_j(x)$, where $a_{ij}(x) = a_{ji}(x) = -(\partial_i \xi_k^j + \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 f)_i &= \sum_j (\xi_k^j \partial_j (S_2 f)_i - (S_2 f)_j \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) \\
&= \sum_j \sum_l (\xi_k^j \partial_j (a_{il} f_l) - a_{jl} f_l \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) \\
&= \sum_j \sum_l (\xi_k^j a_{il} \partial_j f_l + \xi_k^j f_l \partial_j a_{il} - a_{jl} f_l \partial_j \xi_k^i)(x) \\
&= \sum_j \sum_l (\xi_k^j a_{il} \partial_j f_l)(x) + \sum_l b_{il} f_l(x),
\end{aligned}$$

where $b_{il} = \sum_j (\xi_k^j \partial_j a_{il} - a_{jl} \partial_j \xi_k^i)$. Similarly, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
(S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_i &= \sum_l a_{il}(x) (\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_l \\
&= \sum_j \sum_l a_{il}(x) (\xi_k^j \partial_j f_l - f_j \partial_j \xi_k^l)(x) \\
&= \sum_j \sum_l (\xi_k^j a_{il} \partial_j f_l)(x) - \sum_j c_{ij} f_j(x),
\end{aligned}$$

where $c_{ij} = \sum_l a_{il}(x) \partial_j \xi_k^l$. Hence $(S_4 f)_i \equiv (S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_i - (\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 f)_i = -\sum_l (b_{il} + c_{il}) f_l$. \square

Remark 32. From this computation one can easily deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{ij}|_\infty &\leq 2 \|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty, \\ |b_{ij}|_\infty &\leq 6 \left(\|\xi_k\|_\infty \|\xi_k\|_{2,\infty} + \|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty^2 \right), \\ |c_{ij}|_\infty &\leq 6 \|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty^2, \\ C_k^{(0)} &= c \left(\|\xi_k\|_\infty \|\Delta \xi_k\|_\infty + \|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty^2 \right), \end{aligned}$$

where c is an independent constant ($c = 48$). Therefore, the first of assumptions (3.11) is fulfilled, provided

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\|\xi_k\|_\infty \|\Delta \xi_k\|_\infty + \|\nabla \xi_k\|_\infty^2 \right) < \infty.$$

The condition for the second assumption in (3.11) is similar.

Remark 33. A typical example arises when ξ_k are multiples of a complete orthonormal system $\{e_k\}$ of L^2 , namely $\xi_k = \lambda_k e_k$. In the case of the torus, if e_k are associated to sine and cosine functions, they are equi-bounded. Moreover, if instead of indexing with $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we use $k \in \mathbb{Z}^3$, typically $|\nabla e_k| \leq C|k|$ and $|\Delta e_k| \leq C|k|^2$. In such a case, the previous condition becomes

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^3} \lambda_k^2 |k|^2 < \infty,$$

which is a verifiable condition.

Lemma 34. Inequality (3.10) holds for every vector field f of class $W^{4,2}$.

Proof. Let us define S_1 to be the following operator $S_1 f := \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f - \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f$. By a direct computation, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} (S_1 f)_i &:= (\Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f - \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f)_i \\ &= \sum_{j,l} \partial_l^2 \left(\xi_k^j \partial_j f_i - f_j \partial_j \xi_k^i \right) - \left(\xi_k^j \partial_j \partial_l^2 f_i - \partial_l^2 f_j \partial_j \xi_k^i \right) \\ &= \sum_{j,l} \partial_l^2 \xi_k^j \partial_j f_i + 2 \partial_l \xi_k^j \partial_l \partial_j f_i - f_j \partial_l^2 \partial_j \xi_k^i - 2 \partial_l f_j \partial_l \partial_j \xi_k^i, \\ &= A f_i + B_i f. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, S_1 is a second order operator, whose dominant part may be expressed as

$$A := \sum_{j,l} 2 \partial_l \xi_k^j \partial_l \partial_j,$$

where B_i is a first order operator. Similarly, the computation

$$(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_i = \sum_j \left(\xi_k^j \partial_j f_i - f_j \partial_j \xi_k^i \right) = C f_i - D_i f$$

shows that $C f_i - D_i f$ is a first order differential operation, whose dominant part may be expressed as the operator

$$C := \sum_j \xi_k^j \partial_j$$

and D_i is a zero order operator. Let $S_3 := S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} - \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_1$. Then, one computes

$$\begin{aligned} (S_3 f)_i &= ((S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} - \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_1) f)_i \\ &= A(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f)_i + B_i(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f) - C(S_1 f)_i + D_i(S_1 f) \\ &= AC f_i - AD_i f + B_i(\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f) - C(Af_i + B_i f) + D_i(S_1 f) \\ &= (AC - CA) f_i + E_i f. \end{aligned}$$

We now note that both $(AC - CA)$ and E_i are second order operators. Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, \Delta f \rangle &= \langle (\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta + S_1) \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle \\ &= \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle \\ &= -\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle \\ &= -\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle = \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle.$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle &= \langle \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f, S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle \\ &= \langle \Delta f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^* S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_1 f \rangle \\ &= -\langle \Delta f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_1 f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_2 S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_1 f \rangle \\ &= \langle \Delta f, S_3 f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_2 S_1 f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_1 f \rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{5.8}$$

The last term satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle &= \langle (\mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta + S_1) f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle \\ &= -\langle \Delta f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} S_2 \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_2^2 \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle \\ &= -\langle \Delta f, S_2 \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_4 \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_2^2 \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle \\ &= -\langle S_2 \Delta f, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_4 \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta f, S_2^2 \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_1 f, S_2 \Delta f \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\langle S_2 \Delta f, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (\langle S_4 \Delta f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_2^2 \Delta f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle S_2 \Delta f, S_1 f \rangle). \tag{5.9}$$

Since the terms in both expressions (5.8) and (5.9) can be controlled by $\|f\|_{W^{2,2}}^2$, it follows that indeed, there exists $C_k^{(2)} = C_k^{(2)}(\|\xi_k\|_{2,\infty})$ such that

$$|\langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k}^2 f, \Delta f \rangle + \langle \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f, \Delta \mathcal{L}_{\xi_k} f \rangle| \leq C_k^{(2)} \|f\|_{W^{2,2}}^2.$$

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