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# Global Well-Posedness and Long Time Decay of Fractional Navier-Stokes Equations in Fourier-Besov Spaces

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We study the Cauchy problem of the fractional Navier-Stokes equations in critical Fourier-Besov spaces  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$ . Some properties of Fourier-Besov spaces have been discussed, and we prove a general global well-posedness result which covers some recent works in classical Navier-Stokes equations. Particularly, our result is suitable for the critical case  $\beta = 1/2$ . Moreover, we prove the long time decay of the global solutions in Fourier-Besov spaces.

## 1. Introduction

We study the mild solutions to the fractional Navier-Stokes equations in  $R^+ \times R^3$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t + \mu(-\Delta)^\beta u + (u \cdot \nabla) u + \nabla \pi &= 0, \quad (t, x) \in R^+ \times R^3; \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0, \quad (t, x) \in R^+ \times R^3; \\ u(0, x) &= u_0(x), \quad x \in R^3. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Here  $u(t, x) = (u_1(t, x), u_2(t, x), u_3(t, x))$  denotes the velocity vector,  $\mu > 0$  is the viscosity coefficient, and the scalar function  $\pi$  denotes the pressure. The initial data  $u_0$  is a divergence free vector field and the operator  $(-\Delta)^\beta$  is the Fourier multiplier with symbol  $|\xi|^{2\beta}$ .

The fractional Navier-Stokes equations, which are also called generalized Navier-Stokes equations, enjoy an invariance under the scaling

$$\begin{aligned} u_\lambda(t, x) &= \lambda^{2\beta-1} u(\lambda^{2\beta} t, \lambda x), \\ p_\lambda(t, x) &= \lambda^{4\beta-2} p(\lambda^{2\beta} t, \lambda x), \\ u_{0,\lambda} &= \lambda^{2\beta-1} u_0(\lambda x). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

We say that a function space is  $\beta$ -critical for (1) if its norm is invariant under the scaling  $u_0(x) \rightarrow \lambda^{2\beta-1} u_0(\lambda x)$ . There are many examples of critical spaces, for instance,  $BMO^{-(2\beta-1)}$ ,  $\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^{-(2\beta-1)}$ , and the spaces we will discuss in this paper.

The classical incompressible Navier-Stokes equations (i.e.,  $\beta = 1$ ) have been intensively studied. Leray first [1] introduced the concept of weak solutions and obtained the global existence of weak solutions. Fujita and Kato [2] gave a different approach to study the equations in their equivalent form of integral equations and proved the well-posedness in the space frame  $\dot{H}^{1/2}$ . A series study of mild solutions in different function spaces then arose, for instance, Kato [3] in Lebesgue space  $L^3(R^3)$ , Cannone [4] in Besov space  $\dot{B}_{p,\infty}^{-1+3/p}$ , and the important well-posedness in  $BMO^{-1}$  by Koch and Tataru [5]. These works naturally lead one to study the well-posedness in the largest critical space  $\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^{-1}$ . In fact, all the above spaces are critical spaces and satisfy the following continuous embeddings in the 3 dimensions:

$$\dot{H}^{1/2} \hookrightarrow L^3 \hookrightarrow \dot{B}_{p,\infty(p<\infty)}^{-1+3/p} \hookrightarrow BMO^{-1} \hookrightarrow \dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^{-1}. \quad (3)$$

However, in the space  $\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^{-1}$ , the Navier-Stokes equations are ill-posedness (see Bourgain and Pavlović [6] and Cheskidov and Shvydkoy [7]).

As for the generalized case (1), Lions [8] proved the global existence of classical solutions in 3 dimensions when  $\beta \geq 5/4$  (see also Wu [9] in  $n$  dimensions). For the important case  $\beta < 5/4$ , Wu [10, 11] studied the well-posedness in  $\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p}$ . Inspired by Xiao [12] in the classical case ( $\beta = 1$ ), Li and Zhai [13, 14] studied (1) in some critical Q-type spaces for  $\beta \in (1/2, 1)$ , and Zhai [15] showed the well-posedness in  $BMO^{-(2\beta-1)}$  when  $\beta \in (1/2, 1)$ . For the biggest critical space  $\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^{-(2\beta-1)}$ , Yu and Zhai [16] proved the well-posedness when  $\beta \in (1/2, 1)$ , Cheskidov and Shvydkoy [17] showed the ill-posedness when  $\beta \in [1, 5/4)$ . Very recently, Deng and Yao [18] studied (1) in Triebel-Lizorkin spaces  $\dot{F}_{\alpha,r}^{-\beta}$  and obtained the well-posedness in  $\dot{F}_{3/(\beta-1),2}^{-\beta}$  and ill-posedness in  $\dot{F}_{3/(\beta-1),r}^{-\beta}$  ( $r > 2$ ) in the case  $\beta \in (1, 5/4)$ .

In this paper, we will study (1) in the Fourier-Besov spaces  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$ . We observe that although the Fourier-Besov spaces  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$  appear in the literature very recently, they have received a lot of attentions in studying Navier-Stokes equations, although sometime people gave these spaces several different names. An early paper by Cannone and Karch [19] worked in the space  $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{M}^a$ , which is in fact the space  $F\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^a$  (see Section 2 for details). Biswas and Swanson [20] studied the Gevrey regularity of Navier-Stokes equations in  $F\dot{B}_{p,p}^{2-3/p}$ . Konieczny and Yoneda [21] used  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$  to study the Navier-Stokes equations with Coriolis (see also Fang et al. [22]). Lei and Lin [23] proved global existence of mild solutions in  $\mathcal{X}^{-1}$ , which is in fact equal to the space  $F\dot{B}_{1,1}^{-1}$ . Cannone and Wu [24] extended the result in [23] to the Fourier-Herz spaces  $\dot{\mathcal{B}}_q^s$ . We may notice that  $\dot{\mathcal{B}}_q^s = F\dot{B}_{1,q}^{-1}$ . Also, some properties of solutions in the space  $\mathcal{X}^{-1}$  have been studied recently; see Zhang and Yin [25] for the blow-up criterion and Benameur [26] for the long time decay. All the above-mentioned works are involved in the classical Navier-Stokes equations. Those indicate that the Fourier-Besov spaces  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$  might be good work frames in the study of Navier-Stokes equations. Inspired by these observations, in this paper, we will study generalized Navier-Stokes equations in  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$ . We obtain a global well-posedness result which is more general than those in [23, 24]. Particularly, our well-posedness is also valid in the critical case  $\beta = 1/2$ . Moreover, the long time decay of the solutions in Fourier-Besov spaces is also proved, which fully extends the result of [26].

Throughout this paper, the notation  $A \sim B$  means that there exist positive constants  $C_1 \leq C_2$  such that  $C_1A \leq B \leq C_2A$ . We use  $\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$  to denote the classical homogenous Besov spaces and  $\dot{H}^s$  the homogenous Sobolev spaces. Also,  $C$  denotes a positive constant which may differ in lines if not being specified;  $p'$  is the number satisfying  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$  for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . The inverse Fourier transform is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}$ .

We organize the paper as follows. In Section 2 we give the definition of Fourier-Besov spaces and discuss some basic properties of these spaces. Our main results are also stated in

this section. In Section 3 we prove the global well-posedness and in Section 4 we prove the long time decay property.

## 2. Preliminaries and Main Results

We first introduce the definition of Fourier-Besov spaces in  $n$  dimensions. Let  $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be a radial real-valued smooth function such that  $0 \leq \varphi(\xi) \leq 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp } \varphi &\subset \left\{ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : \frac{3}{4} \leq |\xi| \leq \frac{8}{3} \right\}, \\ \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi(2^{-j}\xi) &= 1, \\ &\text{for any } \xi \neq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

We denote  $\varphi_j(\xi) = \varphi(2^{-j}\xi)$  and  $\mathbb{P}$  the set of all polynomials. The space of tempered distributions is denoted by  $S'$ .

*Definition 1.* For  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ , set

$$\|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s} = \begin{cases} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{jsq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^p}^q \right)^{1/q}, & q < \infty; \\ \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{js} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^p}, & q = \infty. \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

One defines the homogeneous Fourier-Besov space  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$  as

$$F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s = \left\{ f \in S' : \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s} < \infty \right\}. \tag{6}$$

We see that the Fourier-Besov spaces are defined in a similar way with the classical homogeneous Besov spaces, but there are lack of the inverse Fourier transform. This allows us to derive estimates by Hölder's inequality directly, instead of using Bernstein's inequality. Now we explain that Fourier-Besov spaces contain some known spaces applied in studying Navier-Stokes equations.

Cannone and Karch [19] introduced the spaces  $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{M}^a$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}\mathcal{M}^a &= \left\{ v \in S' : \widehat{v} \in L_{loc}^1, \right. \\ &\left. \|v\|_{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{M}^a} = \text{esssup}_{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\xi|^a |\widehat{v}(\xi)| < \infty \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

We easily see that  $\mathcal{P}\mathcal{M}^a = F\dot{B}_{\infty,\infty}^a$ .

The norm of Fourier-Herz spaces  $\dot{\mathcal{B}}_q^s$  in [24] is defined as

$$\|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{B}}_q^s} = \begin{cases} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{jsq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^1}^q \right)^{1/q}, & q < \infty; \\ \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{js} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^1}, & q = \infty. \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

Obviously, we have  $\dot{\mathcal{B}}_q^s = F\dot{B}_{1,q}^s$ .

The space  $\mathcal{X}^{-1}$  introduced by Lei and Lin [23] is

$$\mathcal{X}^{-1} = \left\{ f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n) : \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\xi|^{-1} |\widehat{f}| d\xi < \infty \right\}. \tag{9}$$

We claim that  $\mathcal{X}^{-1} = F\dot{B}_{1,1}^{-1}$ . This fact can be seen by the following proposition (proof in [21]).

**Proposition 2.** Define the spaces  $\mathcal{X}^s$  as

$$\mathcal{X}^s = \left\{ f \in \frac{S'}{\mathbb{P}} : \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\xi|^{sp} |\widehat{f}|^p d\xi \right)^{1/p} < \infty \right\}. \quad (10)$$

Then one has  $\mathcal{X}^s = F\dot{B}_{p,p}^s$  and the norms are equivalent:

$$\|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,p}^s} \sim \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\xi|^{sp} |\widehat{f}|^p d\xi \right)^{1/p}. \quad (11)$$

We discuss some inclusion relationships in  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s$ .

**Proposition 3.** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ . One has the following.

- (1) If  $p = 2$ , then  $F\dot{B}_{2,q}^s = \dot{B}_{2,q}^s$ .
- (2) If  $p < 2$ , then  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s \subset \dot{B}_{p',q}^s$ .
- (3) If  $q_1 \leq q_2$ , then  $F\dot{B}_{p,q_1}^s \subset F\dot{B}_{p,q_2}^s$ .
- (4) If  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ ,  $1 \leq p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \infty$ , and  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $s_1 + n/p_1 = s_2 + n/p_2$ , then

$$F\dot{B}_{p_2,q}^{s_2} \subset F\dot{B}_{p_1,q}^{s_1}. \quad (12)$$

- (5) If  $s = (1 - \theta)s_1 + \theta s_2$ ,  $1/p = (1 - \theta)/p_1 + (1 - \theta)/p_2$ , and  $1/q = (1 - \theta)/q_1 + (1 - \theta)/q_2$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ , then

$$\|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s} \leq \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_1,q_1}^{1-\theta}}^{1-\theta} \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_2,q_2}^\theta}. \quad (13)$$

*Proof.* (1) is a consequence of Plancherel's identity, and Hausdorff-Young's inequality gives (2). Equation (3) is just the inclusion  $l^{q_1} \subset l^{q_2}$  for  $1 \leq q_1 \leq q_2 \leq \infty$ . To conclude (4), we use Hölder's inequality to get

$$\|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_1}} \leq C 2^{jn(1/p_1 - 1/p_2)} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_2}}. \quad (14)$$

Since  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  satisfy  $s_1 + n/p_1 = s_2 + n/p_2$ , we immediately get

$$2^{js_1} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_1}} \leq C 2^{js_2} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_2}}. \quad (15)$$

Taking the  $l^q$ -norm on the above inequality we have

$$\|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_1,q}^{s_1}} \leq C \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_2,q}^{s_2}}. \quad (16)$$

To prove (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s} &= \left( \sum_j 2^{jsq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|^{1-\theta} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|^\theta \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_j 2^{j(1-\theta)s_1 q} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_1}}^{(1-\theta)q} 2^{j\theta s_2 q} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^{p_2}}^{\theta q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_1,q_1}^{1-\theta}}^{1-\theta} \|f\|_{F\dot{B}_{p_2,q_2}^\theta}. \quad \square \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Now we are ready to state our main results. From now on in this paper we take the dimension  $n = 3$ .

**Definition 4.** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ , and  $I = [0, T)$ ,  $T \in (0, \infty]$ . The space-time norm is defined on  $f(t, x)$  by

$$\|f(t, x)\|_{\mathcal{L}^r(I; F\dot{B}_{p,q}^s)} := \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{jsq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^r(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q}. \quad (18)$$

Our first result is on the well-posedness of (1).

**Theorem 5.** Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ , and  $1/2 < \beta < \min\{1 + 3/p', 5/2\}$ . Then there exists a constant  $C_0 = C_0(\beta, p, q)$  such that, for any  $u_0 \in F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$  with  $\nabla \cdot u_0 = 0$  satisfying

$$\|u_0\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} < C_0 \mu, \quad (19)$$

the Cauchy problem (1) admits a unique global mild solution  $u$  and

$$u \in \mathcal{C} \left( [0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \right) \cap \mathcal{L}^1 \left( [0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'} \right), \quad (20)$$

and it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} + \mu \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})} \\ \leq 2 \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \|u_0\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Particularly, our result also holds in the critical case  $q = 1$  and  $\beta = 1/2$ .

**Remark 6.** We emphasize that the case  $\beta = 1/2$  is important, since it is also the critical case for the fractional Navier-Stokes equations. Note that when  $\beta = 1/2$ , the function spaces we work on are  $F\dot{B}_{p,1}^{3/p'}$ . All these spaces are embedded into  $F\dot{B}_{1,1}^0$ , which is the space that consists of all functions whose Fourier transforms are in  $L^1$  (see Proposition 2).

**Remark 7.** Note that  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \subset \dot{B}_{\infty, \infty}^{-2\beta-1}$  by Proposition 3 and the space  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$  are also critical spaces. In fact, for  $u_{0,\lambda} = \lambda^{2\beta-1} u_0(\lambda x)$ , we have  $\widehat{u_{0,\lambda}} = \lambda^{2\beta-4} \widehat{u_0}(\lambda^{-1} \xi)$ . Set

$$g_j(\xi) := \varphi \left( 2^{-j+\lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor - \log_2 \lambda} \xi \right) \widehat{u_{0,\lambda}}(\xi). \quad (22)$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{j(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|g_j\|_{L^p} &= 2^{j(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|\varphi \left( 2^{-j+\lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor - \log_2 \lambda} \xi \right) \lambda^{2\beta-4} \widehat{u_0}(\lambda^{-1} \xi)\|_{L^p} \\ &= 2^{(\lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor - \log_2 \lambda)(1-2\beta+3/p')} \\ &\quad \times 2^{(j - \lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor)(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|\varphi \left( 2^{-j+\lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor} \eta \right) \widehat{u_0}(\eta)\|_{L^p} \\ &\sim 2^{(j - \lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor)(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|\varphi \left( 2^{-j+\lfloor \log_2 \lambda \rfloor} \eta \right) \widehat{u_0}(\eta)\|_{L^p}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

This implies that

$$\left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{jq(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|g_j\|_{L^p}^q \right)^{1/q} \sim \|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \quad (24)$$

On the other hand, by

$$\varphi_j(\xi) \widehat{u_{0,\lambda}}(\xi) = \sum_{|k-j| \leq 2} \varphi_j(\xi) g_k(\xi), \quad (25)$$

we can easily deduce that

$$\|u_{0,\lambda}\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \sim \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{jq(1-2\beta+3/p')} \|g_j\|_{L^p}^q \right)^{1/q}. \quad (26)$$

Unfortunately, Theorem 5 is not suitable for the case  $\beta = 1, p = 1$ , in which similar existence has been proved by Cannone and Wu [24]. To address this case, we also get the following theorem.

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq 2$  and  $\beta \in (1/2, 1 + 3/2p']$ . Then there exists a constant  $C_0 = C_0(\beta, p, q)$  such that, for any  $u_0 \in \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$  with  $\nabla \cdot u_0 = 0$  satisfying*

$$\|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} < C_0 \mu, \quad (27)$$

the Cauchy problem (1) admits a unique global mild solution  $u$  and

$$u \in \mathcal{C}([0, \infty); \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}) \cap \mathcal{L}^1([0, \infty); \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'}), \quad (28)$$

and it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty([0, \infty); \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} + \mu \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([0, \infty); \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})} \\ & \leq 2 \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

Particularly, our result also holds in the critical case  $p = q = 1$  and  $\beta = 1/2$ .

**Remark 9.** In comparison with Theorem 5, although we have a limitation  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq 2$ , the regularity index  $\beta$  in Theorem 10 lies in a larger interval when  $p = 1$ .

Our third result is on the decay property of the global solutions

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq 2$  and  $\beta \in (5/6, 1]$ . Assume that  $u \in C([0, \infty); \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})$  is a global solution of (1). One has*

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|u(t)\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} = 0. \quad (30)$$

**Remark 11.** Recently, Benameur [26] obtained the same property in the space  $\mathcal{X}^{-1} = \dot{F}B_{1,1}^{-1}$  for the classical Navier-Stokes equations ( $\beta = 1$ ). Our result improves and extends his result.

### 3. The Well-Posedness

First, we study the linear estimates of (1). For this purpose we consider the dissipative equation:

$$u_t + \mu(-\Delta)^\beta u = F(t, x), \quad (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^3; \quad (31)$$

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

It is easy to see that the equivalent integral equation of (31) is

$$u(t, x) = e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0 - \int_0^t e^{-\mu(t-\tau)(-\Delta)^\beta} F(\tau, x) d\tau. \quad (32)$$

By taking  $F(t, x) = 0$  or  $u_0(x) = 0$ , we obtain the linear term or the nonlinear term of the equation, respectively. This indicates that the following lemma is very useful in our later proof.

**Lemma 12** (linear estimate). *Let  $I = [0, T)$ ,  $0 < T \leq \infty$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p$ , and  $q \leq \infty$ . Assume that  $u_0 \in \dot{F}B_{p,q}^s$  and  $F \in \mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^s)$ . Then the solution  $u(t, x)$  to the Cauchy problem (31) satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^s)} + \mu \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{s+2\beta})} \\ & \leq \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \left( \|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^s} + \|F\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^s)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

*Proof.* By taking the Fourier transform we have

$$\partial_t \widehat{u} + \mu |\xi|^{2\beta} \widehat{u} = \widehat{F}. \quad (34)$$

Multiplying  $\varphi_j$  and taking the  $L^p$ -norm on both sides,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\widehat{u}_j\|_{L^p} + \left( \frac{9}{16} \right)^\beta \mu 2^{2\beta j} \|\widehat{u}_j\|_{L^p} \leq \|\widehat{F}_j\|_{L^p}, \quad (35)$$

where we denote  $\widehat{u}_j = \varphi_j \widehat{u}$ . Integrating with respect to time on  $[0, t)$ , we get

$$\|\widehat{u}_j\|_{L^p} + \left( \frac{9}{16} \right)^\beta \mu 2^{2\beta j} \|\widehat{u}_j\|_{L^1(0,t;L^p)} \leq \|\widehat{u_{0j}}\|_{L^p} + \|\widehat{F}_j\|_{L^1(I;L^p)}. \quad (36)$$

By the definition of  $\dot{F}B_{p,q}^s$  and the triangle inequality for  $l^q$ , it is easy to obtain our desired inequality.  $\square$

Next we consider the bilinear estimate, which is the key estimate in solving the Navier-Stokes equations.

**Lemma 13** (bilinear estimate). *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ , and  $1/2 < \beta < \min\{1 + 3/p', 5/2\}$  and set*

$$X = \mathcal{L}^\infty(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}) \cap \mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'}), \quad (37)$$

with the norm

$$\|u\|_X = \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} + \mu \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \quad (38)$$

Then there exists some constant  $C = C(\beta, p, q) > 0$  depending on  $\beta, p$ , and  $q$  such that

$$\|\nabla \cdot (u \otimes v)\|_{\mathcal{S}^1(I; FB_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \leq C\mu^{-1} \|u\|_X \|v\|_X. \quad (39)$$

Particularly, it is true for the cases  $q = 1$  and  $\beta = 1/2$ .

*Proof.* We will use the technique of the paraproduct. Set

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\Delta}_j u &= (\mathcal{F}^{-1} \varphi_j) * u, \\ \dot{S}_j &= \sum_{k \leq j-1} \dot{\Delta}_k u, \\ \tilde{\Delta}_j u &= \sum_{|k-j| \leq 1} \dot{\Delta}_k u, \\ &\text{for } \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

By Bony's decomposition, we have for fixed  $j$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\Delta}_j (uv) &= \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} \dot{\Delta}_j (\dot{S}_{k-1} u \dot{\Delta}_k v) \\ &\quad + \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} \dot{\Delta}_j (\dot{S}_{k-1} v \dot{\Delta}_k u) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k \geq j-3} \dot{\Delta}_j (\dot{\Delta}_k u \tilde{\Delta}_k v) \\ &:= I_j + II_j + III_j. \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

For simplicity, we can view  $\nabla \cdot (u \otimes v)$ , as the first derivative of two scale functions  $u, v$ . Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial(uv)\|_{\mathcal{S}^1(I; FB_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} &\leq \frac{8}{3} \left( \sum_j 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')jq} 2^{jq} \|\widehat{\dot{\Delta}_j(uv)}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{8}{3} \left[ \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{\dot{\Delta}_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{II_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{III_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

The terms  $I_j$  and  $II_j$  are symmetrical. Using Young's inequality and Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\widehat{I_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} &\leq \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} \|\widehat{\dot{S}_{k-1} u \dot{\Delta}_k v}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \\ &\leq \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} \|\widehat{v_k}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \sum_{l \leq k-2} \|\widehat{u_l}\|_{L^\infty(I; L^1)} \\ &\leq \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} \|\widehat{v_k}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l \leq k-2} 2^{(1-2\beta)lq} \|\widehat{u_l}\|_{L^\infty(I; L^1)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l \leq k-2} 2^{(2\beta-1)lq'} \right)^{1/q'} \\ &\leq C \sum_{|k-j| \leq 4} 2^{(2\beta-1)k} \|\widehat{v_k}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \|u\|_{\mathcal{S}^\infty(I; FB_{1,q}^{1-2\beta})}. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Using the conclusion  $FB_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \subset FB_{1,q}^{1-2\beta}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{I_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \|u\|_{\mathcal{S}^\infty(I; FB_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|v\|_{\mathcal{S}^1(I; FB_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

In a similar way we can prove that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{II_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq C \|v\|_{\mathcal{S}^\infty(I; FB_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|u\|_{\mathcal{S}^1(I; FB_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

For the remaining term, we first consider the case  $p \leq 2$  in which  $\beta < 1 + 3/p'$ . By Hölder's inequality with  $1/p = 1/p' + 1/p - 1/p'$  and by Young's inequality with  $1 + 1/p - 1/p' = 1/p + 1/p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')j} \|\widehat{III_j}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')j} 2^{(3/p')j} \left\| \widehat{u_k} * \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} \widehat{v_l} \right\|_{L^1(I; L^{pp'/(p'-p)})} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(2-2\beta+6/p')j} \|\widehat{u_k}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} \|\widehat{v_l}\|_{L^\infty(I; L^p)} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(2-2\beta+6/p')(j-k)} 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')k} \|\widehat{u_k}\|_{L^\infty(I; L^p)} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} 2^{(1+3/p')l} \|\widehat{v_l}\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

When  $q > 2$ , we take  $l^q$ -norm of both sides of (46) and use Young's inequality with  $1 + 1/q = 1/q' + 2/q$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{\Pi\Pi}_j\|_{L^1(I;L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq C \left\| 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')k} \widehat{u}_k \right\|_{L^\infty(I;L^p)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} 2^{(1+3/p')l} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1(I;L^p)} \Big\|_{l^{q/2}(k)} \\ & \leq C \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|v\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

When  $q \leq 2$ , since  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'} \subset F\dot{B}_{p,q'}^{1+3/p'}$ , we take  $l^q$ -norm of both sides of (46) and use Young's inequality with  $1 + 1/q = 1 + 1/q$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{\Pi\Pi}_j\|_{L^1(I;L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq C \left\| 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')k} \widehat{u}_k \right\|_{L^\infty(I;L^p)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} 2^{(1+3/p')l} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1(I;L^p)} \Big\|_{l^1(k)} \\ & \leq C \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|v\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q'}^{1+3/p'})} \\ & \leq C \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|v\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

Next we consider the case  $p > 2$  and hence  $\beta \leq 5/2$ . By Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')j} \|\widehat{\Pi\Pi}_j\|_{L^1(I;L^p)} \\ & \leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')j} 2^{(3/p)j} \left\| \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right\|_{L^1(I;L^\infty)} \\ & \leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(5-2\beta)j} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^\infty(I;L^{p'})} \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1(I;L^p)} \\ & \leq C \sum_{k \geq j-3} 2^{(5-2\beta)(j-k)} 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')k} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^\infty(I;L^p)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} 2^{(1+3/p')l} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1(I;L^p)}. \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

Following the same steps as in the case  $p \leq 2$ , we obtain the same estimate for  $p > 2$ . Collecting the above estimates we finish our proof.  $\square$

Next we introduce an abstract lemma on the existence of fixed point solutions [16, 24].

**Lemma 14.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|_X$  and let  $B : X \times X \mapsto X$  be a bounded bilinear operator satisfying*

$$\|B(u, v)\|_X \leq \eta \|u\|_X \|v\|_X, \quad (50)$$

for all  $u, v \in X$  and a constant  $\eta > 0$ . Then for any fixed  $y \in X$  satisfying  $\|y\|_X < \epsilon < 1/4\eta$ , the equation  $x := y + B(x, x)$  has a solution  $\bar{x}$  in  $X$  such that  $\|\bar{x}\|_X \leq 2\|y\|_X$ . Also, the solution is unique in  $\bar{B}(0, 2\epsilon)$ . Moreover, the solution depends continuously on  $y$  in the sense that if  $\|y'\|_X < \epsilon$ ,  $x' = y' + B(x', x')$ , and  $\|x'\|_X < 2\epsilon$ , then

$$\|\bar{x} - x'\|_X \leq \frac{1}{1 - 4\epsilon\eta} \|y - y'\|_X. \quad (51)$$

This lemma allows us to solve the Cauchy problem (1) with bounded bilinear form and small data. The mild solution of (1) is the solution to the equivalent integral form:

$$\begin{aligned} u(t, x) &= e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0 - \int_0^t e^{-\mu(t-\tau)(-\Delta)^\beta} \mathcal{P} \nabla \\ & \quad \cdot (u \otimes u)(\tau, x) d\tau \\ &= e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0 + B(u, u), \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

where  $\mathcal{P} = I + \nabla(-\Delta)^{-1} \operatorname{div}$  is the Leray-Hopf projector. To make  $B(u, v)$  become a bilinear form, we simply take  $(1/2)u \otimes v + (1/2)v \otimes u$  instead of  $u \otimes v$  in the integral.

*Proof of Theorem 5.* We begin with the bilinear operator  $B(u, v)$ . Observing that  $B(u, v)$  can be viewed as the solution to the dissipative equation (31) with  $u_0 = 0, F = -\mathcal{P} \nabla \cdot (u \otimes v)$ . Thus we can use Lemma 12 with  $s = 1 - 2\beta + 3/p'$  and Lemma 13 to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \|B(u, v)\|_X \\ & \leq \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \|-\mathcal{P} \nabla \cdot (u \otimes v)\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I;F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \\ & \leq \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) C \mu^{-1} \|u\|_X \|v\|_X. \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

By Lemma 14 we know that if  $\|e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0\|_X < R$  with  $R = \mu/4(1 + (16/9)^\beta)C$ , then (52) has a unique solution in  $B(0, 2R)$ , where

$$B(0, 2R) := \{x \in X : \|x\|_X \leq 2R\}. \quad (54)$$

Now we need to derive  $\|e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0\|_X < R$ . Similarly,  $e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0$  is the solution to the dissipative equation (31) with  $u_0 = u_0$  and  $F = 0$ . By Lemma 12 we obtain

$$\|e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0\|_X \leq \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \|u_0\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \quad (55)$$

Thus we conclude that if  $\|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} < C_0\mu$  with  $C_0 = (4(1 + (16/9)^\beta)^2 C)^{-1}$ , then (52) has a unique global solution  $u \in X$  satisfying

$$\|u\|_X \leq 2 \left\| e^{-\mu t(-\Delta)^\beta} u_0 \right\|_X \leq 2 \left( 1 + \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^\beta \right) \|u_0\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \quad (56)$$

The continuity with respect to time is standard and thus we finish our proof.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 8.* The method is the same with the proof of Theorem 5. But we substitute Lemma 13 by the following lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 15.** *Let  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq 2$  and  $\beta \in (1/2, 1 + 3/2p')$  and  $X$  is the same as in Lemma 13. Then there exists some constant  $C = C(\beta, p, q) > 0$  depending on  $\beta, p,$  and  $q$  such that*

$$\|\nabla \cdot (u \otimes v)\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \leq C\mu^{-1} \|u\|_X \|v\|_X. \quad (57)$$

Particularly, it is true for the cases  $p = q = 1$  and  $\beta = 1/2$ .

*Proof.* The proof is also same with Lemma 13. In fact by Bony's decomposition, we divide  $\Delta_j(uv)$  into three parts  $I_j, II_j,$  and  $III_j$ . The parts  $I_j$  and  $II_j$  satisfy the same estimate. Hence it is sufficient to deal with the part  $III_j$ . In fact when  $q \geq p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_j 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\widehat{III}_j\|_{L^1(I; L^p)}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left\| \sum_{k \geq j-3} \int_I \left\| 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')j} \varphi_j(\xi) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \times \left[ \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right] \Big\|_{L_\xi^p} \Big\|_{l^q(j)} \\ & \leq \sum_k \int_I \left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')pj} \right. \\ & \quad \times |\varphi_j(\xi)|^p \left[ \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right]^p d\xi \Big\|_{l^p(j)}^{1/p} dt \\ & \leq \sup_\xi \left( \sum_j \varphi_j(\xi)^q \right)^{1/q} \sum_k 2^{(2-2\beta+3/p')(k+3)} \\ & \quad \times \int_I \left\| \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right\|_{L_\xi^p} dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq 2^{3(2-2\beta+3/p')} \sum_k 2^{(1-2\beta)k} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^\infty(I; L^1)} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{|l-k| \leq 1} 2^{(1+3/p')(k-l)} 2^{(1+3/p')l} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1(I; L^p)} \\ & \leq C \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty(I; \dot{F}B_{1,q}^{1-2\beta})} \|v\|_{\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

In the last inequality we use a similar conclusion with (3) in Proposition 3; that is,  $\mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1+3/p'}) \subset \mathcal{L}^1(I; \dot{F}B_{p,q'}^{1+3/p'})$ , when  $q \in [1, 2]$ .

#### 4. The Decay Property

We introduce some lemmas which have interest in themselves.

**Lemma 16.** *Let  $\beta < 5/4, s > 5/2 - 2\beta$ , and  $1 \leq p, q \leq 2$ . Then we have*

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \leq C \|f\|_{L^2}^{1-(5/2-2\beta)/s} \|f\|_{\dot{H}^s}^{(5/2-2\beta)/s}. \quad (59)$$

*Proof.* By definition and Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \\ & = \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^p}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{(1-2\beta+3/p')jq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^2}^q 2^{(3/p-3/2)jq} \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left( \sum_{j \leq M} 2^{(5/2-2\beta)jq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^2}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \quad + \left( \sum_{j \geq M} 2^{(5/2-2\beta-s)jq} 2^{sjq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^2}^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq C_1 2^{(5/2-2\beta-s)M} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \quad + C_2 2^{(5/2-2\beta-s)M} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{sjq} \|\varphi_j \widehat{f}\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

Since  $\dot{B}_{2,2}^s = \dot{H}^s$  and  $\dot{B}_{2,2}^0 = L^2$  and by Proposition 3, we know that  $\dot{F}B_{2,2}^s = \dot{B}_{2,2}^s$ ; we finish our proof by taking  $M$  such that  $2^M = (\|f\|_{\dot{H}^s} / \|f\|_{L^2})^{1/s}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 17.** *Let  $\beta \in (1/2, 1]$  and  $1 \leq p, q \leq 2$ . Consider*

$$\|uv\|_{\dot{H}^{1-\beta}} \leq C \|u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-\beta+3/p'}} + C \|u\|_{\dot{H}^\beta} \|v\|_{\dot{F}B_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}. \quad (61)$$

*Proof.* We use the equivalence  $\dot{H}^s = \dot{B}_{2,2}^s = \dot{F}\dot{B}_{2,2}^s$ . To conclude the result we only need to show that

$$\|uv\|_{\dot{H}^{1-\beta}} \leq C\|u\|_{L^2}\|v\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{p,2}^{1-\beta+3/p'}} + C\|u\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}\|v\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{1,2}^{1-2\beta}}, \quad (62)$$

since we have the conclusions  $\dot{F}\dot{B}_{p,2}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \subset \dot{F}\dot{B}_{1,2}^{1-2\beta}$  and  $\dot{F}\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \subset \dot{F}\dot{B}_{p,2}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$  by Proposition 3. The method is similar with the proof of Lemma 13. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|uv\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{2,2}^{1-\beta}} &\leq \left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{I}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{II}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{III}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

where  $I_j$ ,  $II_j$ , and  $III_j$  are the same with the proof of Lemma 13. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|\widehat{I}_j\|_{L^2} &\leq \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{S}_{k-1}u\widehat{\Delta}_k v\|_{L^2} \\ &\leq \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{v}_k\|_{L^2} \sum_{l\leq k-2} \|\widehat{u}_l\|_{L^1} \\ &\leq C \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{v}_k\|_{L^2} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l\leq k-2} 2^{(1-2\beta)l2} \|\widehat{u}_l\|_{L^1}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l\leq k-2} 2^{(2\beta-1)l2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} 2^{(2\beta-1)k} \|\widehat{v}_k\|_{L^2} \|u\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{1,2}^{1-2\beta}}. \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

Thus we get

$$\left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{I}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq C\|v\|_{\dot{H}^\beta} \|u\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{1,2}^{1-2\beta}}. \quad (65)$$

To estimate the term  $II_j$ , we make a minor modification to get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\widehat{II}_j\|_{L^2} &\leq \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{S}_{k-1}v\widehat{\Delta}_k u\|_{L^2} \\ &\leq \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^p} \sum_{l\leq k-2} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^{2p/(3p-2)}} \\ &\leq C \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^p} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l\leq k-2} 2^{-2l(3/p')} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^{2p/(3p-2)}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{l\leq k-2} 2^{2l(3/p')} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \sum_{|k-j|\leq 4} 2^{(3/p')k} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^p} \|v\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{2p/(3p-2),2}^{-3/p'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

By (4) in Proposition 3, we know that  $L^2 = \dot{F}\dot{B}_{2,2}^0 \subset \dot{F}\dot{B}_{2p/(3p-2),2}^{-3/p'}$ . Thus

$$\left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{II}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq C\|u\|_{\dot{F}\dot{B}_{p,2}^{1-\beta+3/p'}} \|v\|_{L^2}. \quad (67)$$

Finally we derive the estimate of the last part as

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \sum_j 2^{(1-\beta)j2} \|\widehat{III}_j\|_{L^2}^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{k\geq j-3} \left\| 2^{(1-\beta)j} \varphi_j(\xi) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \times \left[ \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right] \right\|_{L_\xi^2} \right\|_{l^2(j)} \\ &\leq \sum_k \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{j\leq k+3} 2^{(1-\beta)2j} |\varphi_j(\xi)|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left[ \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right]^2 d\xi \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \sup_\xi \left( \sum_j \varphi_j(\xi)^2 \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \sum_k 2^{(1-\beta)(k+3)} \left\| \widehat{u}_k * \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} \widehat{v}_l \right\|_{L^2_\xi} \\
 & \leq C \sum_k 2^{\beta k} \|\widehat{u}_k\|_{L^2} \sum_{|l-k|\leq 1} 2^{(1-2\beta)(k-l)} 2^{(1-2\beta)l} \|\widehat{v}_l\|_{L^1} \\
 & \leq C \|u\|_{\dot{H}^\beta} \|v\|_{F\dot{B}_{1,2}^{1-2\beta}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

□

Now we can begin our proof of Theorem 10. The method is based on the work from Gallagher-Iftimie-Planchon [27].

*Proof of Theorem 10.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be any constant small enough such that  $\epsilon \leq C_0\mu$ , where  $C_0$  is the constant in Theorem 5 and  $\mu$  is the viscosity coefficient in (1). For  $k \in N^+$ , define

$$\mathcal{A}_k := \{ \xi \in R^3 : |\xi| \leq k \text{ and } |\widehat{u}_0(\xi)| \leq k \}. \tag{69}$$

Obviously  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}(\chi_{\mathcal{A}_k} \widehat{u}_0)$  converges to  $u_0$  in  $F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}$ . So there exists some  $k \in N^+$  such that

$$\left\| u_0 - \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\chi_{\mathcal{A}_k} \widehat{u}_0) \right\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} < \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \tag{70}$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{0,k} &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\chi_{\mathcal{A}_k} \widehat{u}_0), \\
 w_{0,k} &= u_0 - \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\chi_{\mathcal{A}_k} \widehat{u}_0).
 \end{aligned} \tag{71}$$

Thus  $u_{0,k} \in F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'} \cap L^2$  and we have shown that  $\|w_{0,k}\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} < \epsilon/2$ . Now we consider the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_t + \mu(-\Delta)^\beta w + (w \cdot \nabla) w \\
 + \nabla \pi &= 0, \quad (t, x) \in R^+ \times R^3; \\
 \nabla \cdot w &= 0, \quad (t, x) \in R^+ \times R^3; \\
 w(0, x) &= w_{0,k}(x), \quad x \in R^3.
 \end{aligned} \tag{72}$$

Since  $\epsilon/2 \leq C_0\mu/2 \leq C_0\mu$ , by Theorem 5, there exists a unique global solution  $w_k$  of (72) such that

$$w_k \in \mathcal{C}([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}) \cap \mathcal{L}^1([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'}). \tag{73}$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|w_k\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} + \mu \|w_k\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})} \\
 & \leq C \|w_{0,k}\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{74}$$

An easy computation gives  $w_k \in C([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})$  and for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|w_k(t)\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} + \mu \|w_k\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([0, t]; F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})} \\
 & \leq C \|w_{0,k}\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{75}$$

Now put  $u_k = u - w_k$ . Then  $u_k \in C([0, \infty); F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})$  and it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial_t u_k + \mu(-\Delta)^\beta u_k + (u_k \cdot \nabla) u_k + (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k \\
 + (w_k \cdot \nabla) u_k + \nabla \pi - \nabla \pi_k &= 0, \\
 \nabla \cdot u_k &= 0, \\
 u_k(0, x) &= u_{0,k}(x),
 \end{aligned} \tag{76}$$

where  $\pi$  and  $\pi_k$  are the correspond pressures to the solutions  $u$  and  $w_k$ , respectively. Taking the  $L^2$  inner product with  $u_k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 + \mu \|(-\Delta)^{\beta/2} u_k\|_{L^2}^2 \\
 \leq | \langle (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k + (w_k \cdot \nabla) u_k, u_k \rangle |.
 \end{aligned} \tag{77}$$

To estimate  $| \langle (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k, u_k \rangle |$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 | \langle (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k, u_k \rangle | &= | \langle \nabla \cdot (u_k \otimes w_k), u_k \rangle | \\
 &\leq \|(-\Delta)^{1/2-\beta/2} (u_k \otimes w_k)\|_{L^2} \\
 &\quad \times \|(-\Delta)^{\beta/2} u_k\|_{L^2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{78}$$

By Lemma 17, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 | \langle (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k, u_k \rangle | \\
 \leq C \|w_k\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-\beta+3/p'}} \|u_k\|_{L^2} \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta} \\
 + C \|w_k\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}^2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{79}$$

By (75), we have  $\|w_k\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \leq C\epsilon/2$ . We further assume  $\epsilon$  small enough such that  $C^2\epsilon \leq \mu/4$ . Using  $ab \leq a^2/2 + b^2/2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 | \langle (u_k \cdot \nabla) w_k, u_k \rangle | &\leq \frac{2C^2}{\mu} \|w_k\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-\beta+3/p'}}^2 \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 \\
 &\quad + \frac{\mu}{4} \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}^2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{80}$$

Thus we conclude that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 + \mu \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}^2 \leq \frac{8C^2}{\mu} \|w_k\|_{F\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-\beta+3/p'}}^2 \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2. \tag{81}$$

Gronwall lemma gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 + \mu \int_0^t \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}^2 &\leq \|u_{0,k}\|_{L^2}^2 \\ &\times \exp \left\{ \frac{8C^2}{\mu} \int_0^t \|w_k\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}^2 \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{82}$$

Since  $q \leq 2$ , by Minkowski's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \|w_k\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}^2 &\leq \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{j(1-\beta+3/p')q} \right. \\ &\times \left. \left( \int_0^t \|\varphi_j \widehat{w}_k\|_{L^p}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right)^{2/q} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{j(1-2\beta+3/p')q/2} \|\varphi_j \widehat{w}_k\|_{L^\infty([0,t];L^p)}^{q/2} \right. \\ &\times \left. 2^{j(1+3/p')q/2} \|\varphi_j \widehat{w}_k\|_{L^1([0,t];L^p)}^{q/2} \right)^{2/q} \\ &\leq \|w_k\|_{\mathcal{L}^\infty([0,t];\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})} \|w_k\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([0,t];\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})}. \end{aligned} \tag{83}$$

Thus, combining with (74) we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 + \mu \int_0^t \|u_k\|_{\dot{H}^\beta}^2 &\leq \|u_{0,k}\|_{L^2}^2 \exp \left\{ \frac{8C^4}{\mu^2} \|w_{0,k}\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}^2 \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{84}$$

Using Lemma 16 with  $s = \beta$  and (75), we know that  $u_k \in L^{4\beta/(5-4\beta)}([0, +\infty); \dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'})$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \|u_k\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}^{4\beta/(5-4\beta)} &\leq C^{4\beta/(5-4\beta)} \mu^{-1} \|u_{0,k}\|_{L^2}^{4\beta/(5-4\beta)} \\ &\times \exp \left\{ \frac{16C^4 \beta}{\mu^2 (5-4\beta)} \|w_{0,k}\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}}^2 \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{85}$$

So by continuity, there is a time  $t_0$  such that  $\|u_k(t_0)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \leq \epsilon/2$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(t_0)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} &\leq \|u_k(t_0)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \\ &+ \|w_k(t_0)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \epsilon. \end{aligned} \tag{86}$$

Finally, we consider the fractional Navier-Stokes equations starting at  $t = t_0$ ; by Theorem 5 and using a method as estimating (75) we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(t)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} + \mu \|u\|_{\mathcal{L}^1([t_0,t];\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1+3/p'})} &\leq C \|u(t_0)\|_{\dot{B}_{p,q}^{1-2\beta+3/p'}} \leq C\epsilon. \end{aligned} \tag{87}$$

for all  $t > t_0$ . Thus we finish our proof.  $\square$

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