# CLASSICAL SOLUTIONS OF THE SECOND BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM FOR EOUATIONS OF UNSTEADY FRES CONVECTION 

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Substantiation is given for the use of the method of consecutive approximations to determine the velocity of the remperature distributions when unsteady free convection takes place in a closed convex region, at the surface of which the thermal flux density is specified. The domains of applicability of this method and the method of small parameter, coincide. The convergence of the approximate solution to the exact solution is proved and an estimate of the error is given. The local existence theorem and the uniqueness theorem are proved.

1. Let a convex region $\Omega$ be completely filled with an incompressible viscous fluid of constant initial temperature $b_{0}$. Let for $t_{1}>0$ a heat flux distribution $q_{1}\left(x_{18}, t_{1}\right)$ be specified at the surface $S^{\prime}$ of the vessel. We derive equations describing unsteady free convection in a bounded region with the boundary conditions of the second kind.

In the Bussinesq [1] approximation the equation of state assumes the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho(b)=\rho(\langle b\rangle)[1-\beta(\langle b\rangle)(b-\langle b\rangle)] \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\rho$ is the density, $\beta$ the thermal expansion coefficient, $b$ the temperarure and〈b〉 the volume-averaged temperature of the fluid. It was shown experimentally in [2] that

$$
\left|\langle b\rangle-b_{1}\right|\langle | b-\langle b\rangle \mid
$$

and from the formula for $\beta(b)$ in the Bussinesq approximation it follows that $\beta(\langle b\rangle) \simeq$ $\beta$ ( $b_{1}$ )

$$
\left|\rho(\langle b\rangle)-\rho\left(b_{1}\right)\right|=\rho\left(b_{1}\right) \beta\left(b_{1}\right)\left|\langle b\rangle-b_{1}\right| \& \beta(\langle b\rangle) \rho\left(b_{1}\right)|b-\langle b\rangle|<\rho\left(b_{1}\right)
$$

where $b_{1}$ denotes the average temperature of the fluid. Consequently $\rho(\langle b\rangle)=\rho\left(b_{1}\right)=$ $\rho_{0}$ and the equation of state assumes the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho(b)=\rho_{0}\left[1-\beta_{0}(b-\langle b\rangle)\right]\left(\beta_{0}=\beta\left(b_{1}\right)\right) \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Transforming the continuity and heat transfer equations of Navier-Stokes in the usual manner employed in deriving the equations of steady free convection [1] and reducing them to the dimensionless form, we obtain the following system of equations as well as the initial and boundary conditions on $S$ :

$$
\begin{gather*}
\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t}+(\mathbf{V} \cdot \operatorname{grad}) \mathrm{V}=-\operatorname{grad} p-G \sigma^{2}(T-\langle T\rangle) \mathrm{i}+\sigma \Delta \mathbf{V} \\
\operatorname{div} \mathbf{V}=0, \quad \partial T / \partial t+(\mathbf{V} \cdot \operatorname{grad} T)=\Delta T  \tag{1.3}\\
\left.\mathbf{V}\right|_{\mathrm{t}=0}=0,\left.\quad \mathrm{~V}\right|_{\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{s}}}=0,\left.\quad T\right|_{t=0}=0,\left.\quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial n}\right|_{\mathrm{x}_{3}}=q\left(\mathrm{x}_{3}, t\right) \tag{1.4}
\end{gather*}
$$

Here

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{x}=\frac{\mathbf{x}_{1}}{l}, \quad t=\frac{a_{0} t_{1}}{l^{2}}, \quad p=\frac{\left(P_{1}-P_{0}\right) l^{2}}{\rho_{0} a_{0}^{2}}, \quad \mathrm{~V}=\frac{\mathrm{V} l}{a_{0}} \\
& T=\frac{\left(b-b_{n}\right) \lambda_{0}}{q_{0} l}, \quad\langle T\rangle=\frac{\left(\langle b\rangle-b_{0}\right) \lambda_{0}}{q_{0} l}=\frac{Q t^{\cdot}}{\Omega_{n}}\left[{ }^{\mathrm{a}, 4}\right] \\
& \sigma=\frac{v_{0}}{a_{0}}, \quad C=\frac{g \beta_{0} q_{0} l^{4}}{\lambda_{0} v_{0}^{2}}, \quad q=\frac{q_{1}}{q_{0}}, \quad q_{0}=\max _{(\mathbf{x}, t) \in S_{t}} q_{1} \\
& \cdot \mathrm{x} \in \Omega, \quad \mathrm{x}_{s} \in S, \quad S_{t}=S \times[0, t], \quad Q=\int_{S} q d s
\end{aligned}
$$

where $l$ is the characteristic linear dimension, $\Omega_{0}$ is the dimensionless volume, $V$ is the velocity, $P_{1}$ and $P_{0}$ are the pressure and hydrostatic pressure, $\lambda_{0}$ is the thermal conductivity, $a_{0}$ is the thermal diffusivity and $v_{0}$ is the kinematic viscosity. The above notation relates to the fluid under investigation.

The validity of Eqs. (1.3) is indirectly confirmed by the good agreement of the approximate solution of the initial boundary value problem (1.3), (1.4) with the experimental data obtained for a number of vessels in [3-5].

We shall call the functions $V, p$ and $T$ the classical solution of the problem (1.3), (1.4) provided that these functions as well as the derivatives of $T$ with respect to the spatial coordinates are continuous over the set of variables $x$ and $t$ in $\Omega_{i_{e}}=\Omega^{*} \times\left[0, t_{0}\right]$, have derivatives with respect to the set of variables $x$ and $t$ in $\Omega_{1_{0}}{ }^{\prime}=\Omega^{\prime} \times\left[0, t_{0}\right]$, which are all continuous, appear in the system of equations (1.3) and satisfy the conditions (1.4) where $\Omega^{\prime} \simeq \Omega$ and $\Omega^{*}$ is the closure of region $\Omega$.
2. Theorem 1. If $\Omega$ is a convex region, $S$ is a twice continuously differentiable surface, $q\left(x_{s}, t\right) \subset H^{i, 1 / 2}\left(S_{i_{0}}\right)[6]$ and $q\left(x_{s}, 0\right)=0$, then a classical solution of the problem (1.3), (1.4) exists in $\Omega_{t_{0}}$ and can be obtained by the method of successive approximations, where $S_{t_{0}}=S \times\left[0, \dot{t}_{0}\right]$.

Proof. Consider the sequences of functions $V_{k}, T_{k}$ and $p_{k}$ satisfying the following systems of equations

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{V}_{0}=0, \quad p_{0}=0, \quad \frac{\partial T_{0}}{\partial t}=\Delta T_{0} \\
\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_{i k}}{\partial t}-J \Delta \mathbf{V}_{i:}=-\operatorname{grad} p_{k}-\left(\mathbf{V}_{k-1} \cdot \operatorname{grad}\right) \mathbf{V}_{k-1}-G \sigma^{2}\left(T_{k}-\langle T\rangle\right) \mathbf{i}, \quad \operatorname{div} \mathbf{V}_{i}=0 \\
\frac{\partial T_{k}}{\partial t}=\Delta T_{k}-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\left(V_{j, k-1} T_{k-1}\right) \quad(k \geqslant 1)
\end{gathered}
$$

with the initial and boundary conditions

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.T_{n}\right|_{t=0}=0,\left.\quad \frac{\partial T_{k}}{\partial n}\right|_{\mathbf{x}_{3}}=q\left(\mathbf{x}_{s}, t\right),\left.\quad \mathbf{V}_{k}\right|_{t=0}=0,\left.\quad \mathbf{V}_{k}\right|_{\mathbf{x}_{s}}=0, \quad(k \geq 0) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let us obtain the estimates for the functions $V_{k}$ and $T_{k}$. We denote

$$
\begin{gather*}
U_{k}(t)=\max _{(i=1,2,3)}^{\max _{x \in \Omega^{*}}\left|V_{i, k}\right|}  \tag{2.3}\\
W_{k}(t)=\max _{x \in \Omega^{*}}\left\{\left|\frac{V^{*} k}{\partial x_{1}}\right|,\left|\frac{\partial T_{k}}{\partial x_{2}}\right|,\left|\frac{\partial T_{k}}{\partial x_{3}}\right|,\left|T_{i}\right|\right\}
\end{gather*}
$$

Using the results of [7] we estimate the functions $U_{k}(t)$

$$
U_{k+1} \leqslant C_{1} G \sigma^{2} \int_{0}^{t} W_{k}(\tau)\left[\frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{\beta}}+e^{C_{0}(t-\tau)}\right] d \tau+C_{1} G \sigma^{2} \int_{0}^{t}\langle T(\tau)\rangle\left[\frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{\beta}}+e^{C_{0}(t-\tau)}\right] d \tau+
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{2} \int_{0}^{1} U_{\kappa^{2}}\left[\frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{\gamma}}+e^{C_{\sigma}(t-\tau)}\right] d \tau \quad\left(\gamma=\frac{1+3}{2}\right) \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here $\beta$ is an arbitrarily small positive number, $C_{0}, C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$ are constants depending only on the region $\Omega$.

Using the a priori estimate given in [6], we estimate $T_{k+1}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|T_{k+1}\right\|_{Q_{t}}^{(2)} \leqslant C\left[U_{k}(t) \sum_{n=1}^{3} \max _{(x, t) \in \Omega_{t} *}\left|\frac{\partial T_{k}}{\partial x_{n}}\right|+\|q\|_{S_{t}}^{(1)}\right] \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here $\Omega_{t}=\Omega \times[0, t]$ and $C$ is a constant which depends on the region $\Omega$ and the surface $S$; definitions $\left\|T_{k+1}\right\| \stackrel{(2)}{\Omega_{t}}$ and $\|q\| \stackrel{(1)}{S_{t}}$ are given in [6]. From (2.3) and (2.5) follows

$$
\begin{equation*}
W_{k+1} \leqslant C\left[\|q\|_{S_{t}}^{(1)}+3 U_{k} W_{k}\right] \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently for $k \geqslant 0$ the functions $U_{k+1}(t)$ and $W_{k+1}(t)$ satisfy the inequalities

$$
\begin{gather*}
U_{k+1}^{(t)} \leqslant \int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(t-\tau) W_{k}(\tau) d \tau+\int_{0}^{t} K_{2}(t-\varepsilon) U_{k}^{2}(\tau) d \tau+E_{0}(t), \quad U_{0}=0  \tag{2.7}\\
W_{k+1}(t) \leqslant D_{0}(t)+3 C U_{k}(t) W_{k}(t), W_{0}(t) \leqslant D_{0}(t)
\end{gather*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{gathered}
K_{1}(t-\tau)=C_{1} G \sigma^{2}\left[\frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{\beta}}+e^{C_{0}(t-\tau)}\right] \\
K_{2}(t-\tau)=C_{2}\left[\frac{1}{(t-\tau)^{Y}}+e^{C_{0}(t-\tau)}\right] \\
E_{0}(t)=\int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(t-\tau)\langle T(\tau)\rangle d \tau, \quad D_{0}(t)=C\|q\|_{S_{t}}^{(1)}
\end{gathered}
$$

Let us set

$$
D_{1}(t)=4 E_{0}(t)+4 \int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(t-\tau) D_{0}(\tau) d \tau
$$

and denote by $t_{0}$ the least interval of time for which the unequalities

$$
\begin{align*}
& \int_{i}^{t} K_{2}(t-\tau) D_{1}^{2}(\tau) d \tau<\frac{1}{2} D_{1}(t), \quad \int_{0}^{t} K_{2}(\tau) d \tau+6 C\left[\left(\frac{1}{12}-\frac{1}{6 C} \int_{0}^{t} K_{2}(\tau) d \tau\right)^{2}+\right. \\
& \left.2 C D_{0}(t) \int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(\tau) d \tau\right]^{2 / 2}<\frac{11}{12} C, 6 C D_{1}(t)<1 \tag{2.8}
\end{align*}
$$

hold.
Using the method of mathematical induction we can show that for any $k \geqslant 0$. the following inequalities hold for $t \in\left[0, t_{0}\right]$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
U_{K}(t)<D_{1}(t), \quad W_{K}(t)<2 D_{0}(t) \tag{2.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently $T_{k}, \quad V_{k}$ and $\partial T_{k} / \partial x_{j}$ are functions which are uniformly bounded for $t \in$ $\left[0, t_{0}\right](j=1,2,3)$.

We shall show that the sequences $V_{k}, T_{k}$ and $\partial T_{k} / \partial x_{j}(j=1,2,3)$ converge as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Using (2.1) and (2.2) we obtain a system of eqautions which are satisfied by the functions $V_{n+1}-V_{n}$ and $T_{n+1}-T_{n}$ with the zero initial and boundary conditions, Let us set

$$
P_{n+1}=\max _{(i=1,2,3)} \max _{(x, l) \in \Omega_{f_{0}}}\left|V_{n+1, i}-V_{n, i}\right|
$$

$$
q_{n+1}=\max _{(x, i) \in \alpha_{i_{*}} \cdot}\left\{\left|T_{n+1}-T_{n}\right|,\left|\frac{\partial\left(T_{n+1}-T_{n}\right)}{\partial x_{i}}\right|\right\} \quad(i=1,2,3)
$$

Using the fact that $T_{k}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{k}}$ are bounded uniformly, we obtain

$$
\begin{gather*}
P_{n+1} \leqslant \varepsilon_{n} \int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(\tau) d \tau+\frac{P_{n}}{3 C} \int_{0}^{t} K_{2}(\tau) d \tau \\
q_{n+1} \leqslant \frac{q_{n}}{6}+2 C D_{0} P_{n} \tag{2.10}
\end{gather*}
$$

Let us denote

$$
\mathrm{X}_{n}=\left\|\begin{array}{l}
P_{n} \\
q_{n}
\end{array}\right\|, \left.\quad \mathrm{A}=\| \begin{array}{ll}
\frac{1}{3 C} \int_{0}^{t} K_{2}(\tau) d \tau & \int_{0}^{t} K_{1}(\tau) d \tau \\
2 C D_{0} & 1 / 6
\end{array} \right\rvert\,
$$

Then (2.10) reduces to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{X}_{n+1} \leqslant \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X}_{n} \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using [8] we obtain from (2.11)

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|X_{n+1}\right| \leqslant\left|A X_{n}\right| \leqslant\|A\|\left|X_{n}\right| \leqslant \lambda_{\max }\left|X_{n}\right| \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here $\lambda_{\text {max }}$ is the largest eigenvalue of the marix $A$ and $\left|X_{n}\right|=\sqrt{P_{n}^{2}+q_{n}^{2}}$. By (2.8) $\lambda_{\text {max }}<1$. From (2.12) we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|X_{n}\right| \leqslant \lambda_{\max }^{n}\left|X_{0}\right| \\
P_{n} \leqslant \lambda_{\max }^{n}\left|X_{0}\right|, g_{n} \leqslant \lambda_{\max }^{n}\left|X_{0}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

Since $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{\max }^{n}=0$, we find that $\lim P_{n}=0$ and $\lim q_{n}=0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
Consequently the sequences $\mathrm{V}_{n}, T_{n}$ and $\partial T_{n} / \partial x_{j}$ represent the fundamental sequences of the functions. Therefore, since $V_{n}, T_{n}$ and $\partial T_{n} / \partial x_{j}$ are uniformly bounded functions, the following limits exist when $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$
\lim V_{n}=V^{\prime}, \quad \lim T_{n}=T^{\prime}, \lim \frac{\partial T_{n}}{\partial x_{j}}=T_{i}^{\prime}
$$

Using [7, 9] it can be shown that $\mathrm{V}_{n}$ and $T_{n}$ represent the classical solution of the problem (2.1), (2.2).

Since $V_{k}, T_{k}$ and $\partial T_{k} / \partial x_{m}$ are continuous functions over the variables $\mathbf{x}, t$ up to the boundary of the region $\Omega_{t_{0}}$ and converge uniformly to $\mathrm{V}^{\prime}, T^{\prime}$ and $T_{m}{ }^{\prime}$ when $k \rightarrow \infty$, then $\mathrm{V}^{\prime}, T^{\prime}$ and $T_{m}{ }^{\prime}$ are continuous functions over the variables x and $t$ up to the boundary of $\Omega_{t_{0}}$ and assume the initial and boundary values on $S$ in a continuous manner.

We shall show that the functions $V^{\prime}$ and $T^{\prime}$ represent a solution of the problem (1.3), (1.4). Consider the following system cf equations:

$$
\begin{gather*}
\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t}-\sigma \Delta \mathrm{V}=-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{s}}\left(\mathrm{~V}^{\prime} \mathrm{V}_{s^{\prime}}\right)-G s^{2}(T-\langle T\rangle \mathrm{i}-\operatorname{grad} p  \tag{2.13}\\
\operatorname{div} \mathrm{V}=0, \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}-\Delta T=-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{s}}\left(\mathrm{~V}_{s}^{\prime} T^{\prime}\right)
\end{gather*}
$$

with the initial and boundary conditions on $S$

$$
\left.\mathbf{v}\right|_{l=0}=0,\left.\quad \mathbf{v}\right|_{\mathrm{x}_{s}}=0,\left.\quad T\right|_{l=0}=0,\left.\quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial n}\right|_{\mathrm{x}_{s}}=q\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{s}}, t\right)
$$

Making use of the fact that $V^{\prime}$ and $T^{\prime}$ are bounded and applying the method employed in obtaining the estimates for $\mathbf{V}_{k}$ and $T_{\mathrm{k}}$, we can show that

$$
\left|V_{i}\right|<D_{1}, \quad|T|<2 D_{0}, \quad\left|\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_{i}}\right|<2 D_{0} \quad(i=1,2,3)
$$

Subtracting (2.13) from (2.1) we obtain a system of equations satisfied by the functions $\underline{\mathbf{V}}_{n+1}-\mathbf{V}$ and $T_{n+1}-T$. Obtaining for

$$
\begin{gathered}
\max _{(i=1,2,3)} \max _{\left(x_{i}\right) \in \in \alpha_{i t}}\left|V_{n+1, i}-V_{i}\right|, \max _{\left(x_{i} t\right) \in a_{t}:}\left\{\left|T_{n+1}-T\right|,\left|\frac{\partial\left(T_{n+1}-T\right)}{\partial x_{m}}\right|\right\} \\
(m=1,2,3)
\end{gathered}
$$

the estimates analogous to those obtained for $P_{n+1}$ and $q_{n+1}$, making use of the facts that $V_{n}, V^{\prime}, T_{n}$ and $T^{\prime}$ are bounded and that $\lim V_{n}=V^{\prime}$ and $\lim T_{n}=T^{\prime \prime}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and performing in the inequality analogous to (2.11) the passage to the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we arrive at

$$
\begin{gathered}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \max _{(i=1,2,3)} \max _{(x, t) \in a_{0_{0}} 0^{*}}\left|V_{i}-V_{n+1, i}\right|=0 \\
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \max _{\left(x_{0}\right)} \max _{t_{0_{0}^{*}}}\left\{\left|T_{n+1}-T\right|\left|\frac{\partial\left(T_{n+1}-T\right)}{\partial x_{m}}\right|\right\}=0
\end{gathered}
$$

Consequently we find that as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$
\mathbf{V}^{\prime}=\lim \mathrm{V}_{n}=\mathrm{V}, \quad T^{\prime}=\lim T_{n}=T\left(T_{j}^{\prime}=\partial T / \partial x_{j}\right)
$$

Therefore the functions $V$ and $T$ satisfy the system (1.3) and the initial and boundary conditions (1.4) on $S$ in a continuous manner. This implies that $V$ and $T$ represent the classical solution of the problem (1.3),(1.4) in $\Omega_{1_{0}}$, and the a priori estimates

$$
\left|V_{i}\right|<D_{1}, \quad|T|<2 D_{0}, \quad\left|\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_{i}}\right|<2 D_{0} \quad(i=1,2,3)
$$

hold in $\Omega_{t_{4}}$.
Since $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{f}}, T$ and $\operatorname{grad} p$ satisfy the system (1.3) in $\Omega_{t_{0}}$, thengrad $p$ is a function continuous in $x$ and $t$ in $\Omega_{t_{0}}$. Consequently the pressure $p$ is also a function continuous in $x$ and $t$ in $\Omega_{t_{a}}$. Using the property of continuty of the functions $p$ and $\operatorname{grad} p$ in $\Omega_{t_{0}}{ }^{\prime}$ we can show that the pressure $p$ is a continuous function in $\Omega_{t_{0}}{ }^{*}$.

Thus we have proved the theorem of existence of a classical solution of the problem (1.3).(1.4) local with respect to time, and shown an approximate method of obtaining this solution, The method consists of solving the system of linear equations (2,1) up to a certain value of $k$, and approximating the true solutions with the approximate ones.

Let us now estimate the rate at which the approximate solution converges to the exact solution. To do this we subtract from Eqs. (2.1) the corresponding Eqs. (1.3) and denote

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \max _{(1,1,2.3)} \max _{\left(x_{0} t\right) \in \Omega_{l_{0}}^{*}}\left|V_{i}-V_{k, i}\right|=E_{k}, \left.\quad \oplus_{k}=\| \begin{array}{c}
E_{k} \\
F_{k}
\end{array} \right\rvert\, \\
& \max _{(x . t) \in a_{t_{*}}}\left\{\left|T-T_{k}\right|,\left|\frac{\partial\left(T-T_{k}\right)}{\partial x_{m}}\right|\right\}=F_{k} \quad(m=1,2,3)
\end{aligned}
$$

Performing estimates analogous to (2.10) we find, that $\Phi_{k+1} \leqslant A \Phi_{k}$. Solving this inequality as we solved (2.11), we obtain

$$
\left|\Phi_{x}\right| \leqslant \lambda_{\text {max }}^{k}\left|\Phi_{0}\right|, \quad t \in\left[0, t_{0}\right]
$$

which yield the following estimate of the error:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|V_{j}-V_{j, k}\right| \leqslant 2 \max _{t \in\left[0, t_{0}\right]} \lambda_{\max }^{k} \max _{t \in\left[0, t_{0}\right]}\left\{D_{1}, 2 D_{0}\right\} \\
& \left|T-T_{k}\right| \leqslant 2 \max _{t \in\left[0, t_{d}\right]} \lambda_{\max }^{k} \max _{t \in\left[0, t_{0}\right]}\left\{D_{1}, 2 D_{0}\right\}
\end{aligned} \quad(j=1,2,3)
$$

Note. From Theorem 1 and the formulas (2.8) it follows that the method of conse. cutive approximations can be used not only for computing week unsteady free convection $\left(t_{0} \gg 1, R=G \sigma \ll 1\right)$, but also to compute a developed unsteady free convection $\left\langle t_{0}<1, R \geqslant 1\right.$ ). Thus the domains of applicability of the method of successive approximation and the method of small parameter ( $R$ is a small parameter) coincide, although the former is simpler for computations.
3. Theorem 2. The classical solution of the problem (1.3), (1.4) is unique. Proof. Assume that two solutions ( $V, T, p$ ) and ( $V^{\prime}, T^{\prime}, p^{\prime}$ ) exist. We denote $W=$ $\mathrm{V}-\mathrm{V}^{\prime}, \quad \tau=T-T^{\prime}$ and $P=p-p^{\prime}$. Then, using (1.3), (1.4) we obtain the following system of equations for $W, \tau$ and $P$ :

$$
\begin{gather*}
\frac{\partial W}{\partial t}-\sigma \Delta W=-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{k}}\left(V_{k} \mathbf{W}+V^{\prime} W_{k}\right)-\operatorname{grad} P-G \sigma^{2} \tau i,  \tag{3.1}\\
\operatorname{div} \mathbf{W}=0  \tag{3.2}\\
\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t}-\Delta \tau=-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{k}}\left(V_{k} \tau+T W_{k}\right) \tag{3.3}
\end{gather*}
$$

with homogeneous initial and boundary conditions. Multiplying (3.1) by $W$ and (3.3) by $\tau$ and integrating the resulting expressions over $\Omega$ we find, with the help of $(3,2)$ and the boundary conditions, the following respective expressions

$$
\begin{gather*}
\frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} W^{2} d \Omega+2 \sigma \int_{\Omega} \sum_{\Omega=1}^{3}\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial x_{z}}\right)^{2} d \Omega=2 \int_{\Omega} V^{\prime} W_{k} W_{x k} d \Omega-2 \sigma^{2} G \int_{\Omega} \tau(\mathbf{W}, \mathrm{i}) d \Omega  \tag{3.4}\\
\frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} \tau^{2} d \Omega+2 \int_{\Omega} \sum_{k=1}^{3}\left(\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x_{k}}\right)^{2} d \Omega=\int_{\Omega} \tau_{x_{k}} T W_{k} d \Omega \tag{3.5}
\end{gather*}
$$

Estimating the integrals appearing in the right-hand sides of (3.4) and (3.5), using the fact that $V^{\prime}$ and $T$ are bounded and the Cauchy-Buniakowski inequalities for the sums and.integrals, and substituting the estimates obtained into (3.4) and (3.5), respectively, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{W}^{2} d \Omega+(2 \sigma-C \varepsilon) \int_{\Omega} \sum_{s=1}^{3}\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial x_{s}}\right)^{2} d \Omega \leqslant \frac{C}{\varepsilon} \int_{\Omega} W^{2} d \Omega+G \sigma^{2} \int_{\Omega}\left(\tau^{2}+\mathbf{W}^{2}\right) d \Omega  \tag{3.6}\\
& \quad \frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} \tau^{2} d \Omega+\left(2-\varepsilon_{1} C_{1}\right) \int_{\Omega} \sum_{k=1}^{3}\left(\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x_{k}}\right)^{2} d \Omega \leqslant \frac{C_{1}}{\varepsilon_{2}} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{W}^{2} d \Omega \quad\left(e>0, \varepsilon_{1}>0\right) \tag{3.7}
\end{align*}
$$

Here $\ell$ is a constant depending on $D_{1}, \Omega$ and $\varepsilon$, while $C_{1}$ is a constant depending on $D_{0}, \Omega$ and $\varepsilon_{1}$. Taking $2<2 \sigma / C$ and $\varepsilon_{1}<2 / C_{1}$ we obtain from $(3.6)$ and $(3.7)$ the following inequalities:

$$
\frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} W^{2} d \Omega \leqslant\left(\frac{C}{\varepsilon}-G J^{2}\right) \int_{\Omega} W^{2} d \Omega+G s^{2} \int_{\Omega} \tau^{2} d \Omega, \quad \frac{d}{d t} \int_{\Omega} \tau^{2} d \Omega \leqslant \frac{C_{1}}{\varepsilon_{1}} \int_{\Omega} W^{2} d \Omega
$$

which combined together yield

$$
d y / d t \leqslant k y
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(t)=\int_{\Omega}\left(\mathbf{W}^{2}+\tau^{2}\right) d \Omega, \quad k=\frac{C}{\varepsilon}+\frac{C_{1}}{\varepsilon_{1}}+G \sigma^{2} \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Solving (3.8) under the condition that $y(0)=0$, we find that $y(t) \leqslant y(0) e^{-k t}=0$. Consequently $y(t) \equiv 0$ for any $t>0$, which means that $\mathrm{V}=\mathrm{V}^{\prime}, T=T^{\prime}$ and $p=$ $p^{\prime}+$ const.

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