# Optimal Decay Rates for the Highest-Order Derivatives of Solutions for the Compressible MHD Equations with Coulomb Force<sup>∗</sup>

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Abstract For the Cauchy problem of the 3D compressible MHD equations with Coulomb force, the large time behavior of this model is further investigated in this article. Compared to the previous related works in Tan-Tong-Wang [*J. Math. Anal. Appl.* 427 (2015) 600–617], the main novelty of this paper is that we prove the optimal decay rates for the highest-order spatial derivatives of the solutions to the compressible MHD equations with Coulomb force, which are the same as those of the heat equation.

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# 1. Introduction

Considering the initial value problem of 3D isentropic MHD equations with Coulomb force for viscous compressible fluid:

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$$
\begin{cases}\n\rho_t + \operatorname{div}(\rho v) = 0, \\
(\rho v)_t + \operatorname{div}(\rho v \otimes v) + \nabla P = \operatorname{curl} H \times H + \mu \Delta v + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla \operatorname{div} v + \rho \nabla \Phi, \\
H_t - \operatorname{curl}(v \times H) - \nu \Delta H = 0, \quad \operatorname{div} H = 0, \\
\Delta \Phi = \rho - \bar{\rho},\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(1.1)

with the initial data as follows:

$$
(\rho, v, H, \nabla \Phi)(t, x)|_{t=0} = (\rho_0, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x), \tag{1.2}
$$

the far field behavior of solutions, we assume:

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$$
(\rho_0, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x) \to (\bar{\rho}, 0, 0, 0) \quad \text{as } |x| \to \infty.
$$
 (1.3)

Here the unknown functions  $\rho = \rho(t, x) \geq 0$ ,  $v = v(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $H = H(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and  $\Phi = \Phi(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are density, velocity, magnetic field and electric potential

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respectively. The pressure  $P = P(\rho)$  is a smooth function with  $P'(\rho) > 0$  for  $\rho > 0$ . The constants  $\mu$ ,  $\lambda$  are the viscosity coefficients of the flow, and they satisfy the physical restrictions  $\mu > 0$  and  $2\mu + 3\lambda \geq 0$ . The constant  $\nu > 0$  represents the magnetic diffusivity.  $\bar{\rho}$  represents the positive constant.

#### 1.1. History of the problem

Let us give some explanations about the above model. When the magnetic field and the Coulomb force are taken into account, the compressible Navier-Stokes-Poisson equations are transformed into the compressible viscous magnetohydrodynamic(MHD) equations with Coulomb force, which is of hyperbolic-parabolicelliptic mixed type. Owing to the physical importance and mathematical challenges, there is a huge literature on the investigations of well-posedness of smooth or weak solutions to the compressible MHD equations with Coulomb force, cf. [\[4,](#page-14-0)[6,](#page-14-1)[8,](#page-14-2)[10,](#page-14-3)[12\]](#page-14-4). To get straight to the point of this article, let's just give a brief overview of the results for this model. When time goes to infinity, Tan-Wang [\[8\]](#page-14-2) showed the vanishing vacuum phenomena of the finite energy weak solutions via the weak convergence method. Wang [\[9\]](#page-14-5) proved that the weak solutions decay exponentially to the equilibrium state in  $L^2$  norm. What'more, Zheng-Tan  $[10]$  obtained the optimal time decay estimate of the solutions by spectral analysis and energy methods. And Tan-Tong-Wang [\[11\]](#page-14-6) obtained the global existence and time decay rates of the solutions through a general energy method. More precisely, under the assumptions that the initial data  $\|(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x)\|_{H^3}$  is sufficiently small, one has

$$
\|(\rho - \bar{\rho}, v, H, \nabla\Phi)(t)\|_{H^N}^2 + \int_0^t \|(\rho - \bar{\rho}, \nabla v, \nabla H, \nabla\nabla\Phi)(s)\|_{H^N}^2 ds
$$
  
 
$$
\leq C \|(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, v_0, H_0, \nabla\Phi_0)\|_{H^N}^2.
$$
 (1.4)

Furthermore, if  $(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x) \in H^N \cap L^1$ , it holds that

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
\|\nabla^{\ell}(\rho - \bar{\rho}, v, H, \nabla\Phi)(t)\|_{H^{N-l}} \lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{\ell}{2}} \quad \ell = 0, 1, ..., N-1,
$$
 (1.5)

and

<span id="page-1-1"></span>
$$
\|\nabla^{\ell}(\rho - \bar{\rho})(t)\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim (1+t)^{-(\frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{2})} \quad \ell = 0, 1, ..., N - 2.
$$
 (1.6)

However, when taking  $\ell = N - 1$  in [\(1.5\)](#page-1-0), we find that the  $L^2$ -decay rate of the highest-order (i.e. N–order) spatial derivative of the solution  $(\rho - \bar{\rho}, v, H, \nabla \Phi)$  is the same as that of its lower order, which is  $(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N-1}{2}}$  and is slower than  $L^2$ -rate  $(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}}$ . Comparing the related results with those of the heat equation, it does not appear to be optimal. Therefore, to improve the time decay rate in  $(1.5)$  is an interesting and meaningful problem.

#### 1.2. Notation

Throughout this paper, we denote  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)$  and  $H^k(\mathbb{R}^3)$  as usual Lebesgue space and Sobolev spaces with norm  $\|\cdot\|_{L^p}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{H^k}$  respectively. In order to construct the low–high frequency decomposition, we will introduce some symbols in the frequency space. Let  $\phi_j \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_{\xi}^3)(j=1,\infty)$  be the following cut-off functions:

$$
\phi_1(\xi) = \begin{cases} 1 & |\xi| \le a_0, \\ 0 & |\xi| \ge A_0, \end{cases}
$$
 (1.7)

and  $\phi_{\infty}(\xi) := 1 - \phi_1(\xi)$ . Here, the two positive numbers satisfy the following relationship:  $0 < a_0 < A_0$ . Then, we can define the following operators:

$$
Q_j f = \mathfrak{F}^{-1}[\phi_j(\xi)\widehat{f}], \qquad j = 1, \infty.
$$

For the sake of simplicity, denote the low and high frequencies respectively as

$$
f^l = Q_1 f
$$
, and  $f^h = Q_\infty f$ .

In addition, we utilize the symbol  $a \lesssim b$  to represent  $a \leq Cb$  for a universal positive constant  $C$ . We use  $C_0$  to denote the positive constant depending additionally on the initial data, and we use  $\nabla^k$  with an integer  $k \geq 0$  to represent the usual arbitrary spatial derivative of order  $k$ . Besides, we adopt the following simplified notation:  $||(f, g)||_X := ||f||_X + ||g||_X.$ 

Similar to the approach developed by [\[13\]](#page-14-7), we establish the optimal decay-intime of the highest-order derivatives of the solutions in the following theorem.

#### 1.3. Main results

<span id="page-2-0"></span>**Theorem 1.1.** Suppose that the initial data  $(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x) \in H^N \cap L^1$ for any integer  $N \geq 3$  and there exists a constant  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that if

<span id="page-2-3"></span>
$$
\|(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, v_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)\|_{H^3} \le \delta_0,\tag{1.8}
$$

then the Cauchy problem [\(1.1\)](#page-0-0)-[\(1.3\)](#page-0-1) has a unique global solution ( $\rho(t), v(t), H(t), \nabla \Phi$ (t)) such that for any  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , we have the following optimal time decay rates

<span id="page-2-1"></span>
$$
\|\nabla^{N}(\rho - \bar{\rho}, v, H, \nabla\Phi)(t)\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}},
$$
\n(1.9)

and

<span id="page-2-4"></span>
$$
\|\nabla^{N-1}(\rho - \bar{\rho})(t)\|_{L^2} \lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{5}{4} - \frac{N-1}{2}}.
$$
\n(1.10)

Remark 1.1. Let's do a comparison between the Theorem [1.1](#page-2-0) and the main results  $(1.5)-(1.6)$  $(1.5)-(1.6)$  $(1.5)-(1.6)$  in [\[11\]](#page-14-6). In this paper, we establish the optimal decay rates of the highestorder spatial derivatives of the solution, which are the same as those of the heat equation. It is totally new and meaningful.

## 2. Proof of Theorem 1.1

For the Cauchy problem  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  in this section, we will rewrite the system in its perturbation form which makes it easier to study. Thus, let

<span id="page-2-2"></span>
$$
\sigma = \rho - \bar{\rho}, z = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma}v, \gamma = \sqrt{P'(\bar{\rho})}, \mu_1 = \frac{\mu}{\bar{\rho}}, \mu_2 = \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\bar{\rho}}.
$$

Then the systems  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  $(1.1)-(1.3)$  can be rewritten as

$$
\begin{cases}\n\sigma_t + \gamma \operatorname{div} z = G_1, \\
z_t - \mu_1 \Delta z - \mu_2 \nabla \operatorname{div} z + \gamma \nabla \sigma - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \nabla \Phi = G_2, \\
H_t - \nu \Delta H = G_3, \quad \operatorname{div} H = 0, \\
\Delta \Phi = \sigma,\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(2.1)

where the nonhomogeneous source terms  $G_i(i = 1, 2, 3)$  are defined as

<span id="page-3-3"></span>
$$
\begin{cases}\nG_1 = -\frac{\gamma}{\rho} (\sigma \operatorname{div} z + z \cdot \nabla \sigma), \\
G_2 = -\frac{\gamma}{\rho} z \cdot \nabla z + \left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_1\right) \Delta u + \left(\frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_2\right) \nabla \operatorname{div} z \\
+ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \left(\frac{P'(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P'(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}\right) \nabla \sigma + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} H \cdot \nabla H - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \nabla (|H|^2), \\
G_3 = \frac{\gamma}{\rho} (H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \operatorname{div} z).\n\end{cases} (2.2)
$$

The associated initial data are given by

<span id="page-3-2"></span>
$$
(\sigma, z, H, \nabla \Phi)(x, 0) = (\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}, z_0, H_0, \nabla \Phi_0)(x) \to (0, 0, 0, 0), \text{ as } |x| \to \infty.
$$
 (2.3)

Before our proofs, we need to construct the following time-weighted energy functional

<span id="page-3-0"></span>
$$
\mathfrak{M}(t) = \sup_{0 \le s \le t} (1+s)^{\frac{3}{2}+N} \|\nabla^N(\sigma, z, H, \nabla \Phi)(s)\|_{L^2}^2.
$$
 (2.4)

Due to the benefits of [\(2.4\)](#page-3-0), we only prove the following proposition to obtain the decay rate [\(1.9\)](#page-2-1) in Theorem [1.1:](#page-2-0)

<span id="page-3-1"></span>Proposition 2.1. Let the hypothesis of Theorem [1.1](#page-2-0) hold. Then we have the following conclusion:

$$
\mathfrak{M}(t) \le C(C_0 + \|U_0\|_{L^1}^2). \tag{2.5}
$$

Then, we will divide the proof of proposition [2.1](#page-3-1) into the following steps: deriving the optimal decay rates on the low-frequent parts and the high-frequent parts of the highest order derivatives of the solution. To this end, we first give a useful lemma to deal with the integration over time, the proof of which can be found in [\[1\]](#page-13-1):

<span id="page-3-4"></span>**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $l_1, l_2 > 0$ , and it holds that

$$
\int_0^{\frac{t}{2}} (1+t-s)^{-l_1} (1+s)^{-l_2} ds \le \begin{cases} C(1+t)^{-l_1}, & l_2 > 1, \\ C(1+t)^{-(l_1-\epsilon)}, & l_2 = 1, \\ C(1+t)^{-(l_1+l_2-1)}, & l_2 < 1, \end{cases}
$$

and

$$
\int_{\frac{t}{2}}^{t} (1+t-s)^{-l_1} (1+s)^{-l_2} ds \leq \begin{cases} C(1+t)^{-l_2}, & l_1 > 1, \\ C(1+t)^{-(l_2-\epsilon)}, & l_1 = 1, \\ C(1+t)^{-(l_1+l_2-1)}, & l_1 < 1, \end{cases}
$$

where  $\epsilon > 0$  is a small but fixed constant.

Next, we can state the optimal decay rate on linearized system  $(2.1)$ , whose proof can be seen in  $[3, 14]$  $[3, 14]$  $[3, 14]$ :

<span id="page-3-5"></span>**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{z}, \bar{H}, \nabla \bar{\Phi})$  be the global solution of the linearized system of [\(2.1\)](#page-2-2) with the initial data  $(\bar{\sigma}_0, \bar{z}_0, \bar{H}, \nabla \bar{\Phi}_0) \in H^{\ell}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Then if there exists a sufficiently small constant  $\delta_0 > 0$ , such that

$$
K_0 = \|(\bar{\sigma}_0, \bar{z}_0, \bar{H}, \nabla \bar{\Phi}_0)\|_{L^1} \le \delta_0, \tag{2.6}
$$

then for all  $0 \leq k \leq N$  (k be an integer), it holds that

$$
\|\nabla^{k}(\bar{\sigma}^{l},\bar{z}^{l},\bar{H},\nabla\bar{\Phi}^{l})\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{k}{2}}\|(\bar{\sigma}_{0},\bar{z}_{0},\bar{H},\nabla\bar{\Phi}_{0})\|_{L^{1}},\tag{2.7}
$$

for all  $t \geq 0$ .

For simplicity, we define  $U = (\sigma, z, H, \nabla \Phi)$  to be the global smooth solution of the Cauchy problem  $(2.1)$ – $(2.3)$ . Next, we can deduce the  $L^2$ –decay estimate for the low frequency part of the solution for the perturbation system [\(2.1\)](#page-2-2):

<span id="page-4-2"></span>Lemma 2.3. Under the assumptions of Theorem [1.1,](#page-2-0) we have the following estimates:

$$
\|\nabla^N(\sigma^l, z^l, H^l, \nabla\Phi^l)(t)\|_{L^2} \lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}}(\|U_0\|_{L^1} + \delta\sqrt{\mathfrak{M}(t)}),\tag{2.8}
$$

**Proof.** Defining  $G = (G_1, G_2, G_3)^T$ , by  $(2.1)-(2.2)$  $(2.1)-(2.2)$  $(2.1)-(2.2)$ , Lemma [2.1,](#page-3-4) Lemma [2.2,](#page-3-5) Plancherel theorem and the Hausdorff-Young's inequality, we obtain from the Duham el's principle that

$$
\|\nabla^{N}(\sigma^{l}, z^{l}, H^{l}, \nabla\Phi^{l})(t)\|_{L^{2}}\n\lesssim(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}}\|U_{0}\|_{L^{1}}+\int_{0}^{\frac{t}{2}}(1+t-s)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}}\|G^{l}(s)\|_{L^{1}}ds+\int_{\frac{t}{2}}^{t}(1+t-s)^{-\frac{5}{4}}\||\xi|^{N-1}\widehat{G}^{l}(s)\|_{L^{\infty}}ds.
$$
\n(2.9)

<span id="page-4-1"></span>To derive the decay on  $\nabla^N(\sigma^L, z^l, H^L, \nabla \Phi^L)$ , by taking advantage of low and high frequency decomposition, we can estimate the nonlinear terms in [\(2.2\)](#page-3-3) like Lemma [3.1.](#page-12-0) What's more, by the estimates [\(1.5\)](#page-1-0) and Lemma [3.2-](#page-12-1)Lemma [3.5,](#page-12-2) we have

<span id="page-4-0"></span>
$$
||G^{l}(s)||_{L^{1}} \lesssim ||\frac{\gamma}{\rho}(\sigma \operatorname{div} z + z \cdot \nabla \sigma)(s)||_{L^{1}} + ||\frac{\gamma}{\rho} z \cdot \nabla z(s)||_{L^{1}} + ||[(\frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1})\Delta z + (\frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2})\nabla \operatorname{div} z](s)||_{L^{1}} + ||\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma}(\frac{P'(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P'(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})})\nabla \sigma(s)||_{L^{1}} + ||[\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}H \cdot \nabla H - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}\nabla (|H|^{2})](s)||_{L^{1}} + ||\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}}(H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \operatorname{div} z)(s)||_{L^{1}} \lesssim ||(\sigma, z)(s)||_{L^{2}} ||\nabla(\sigma, z)(s)||_{L^{2}} + ||[(\frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1}), (\frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2})](s)||_{L^{2}} ||\Delta z(s)||_{L^{2}} + ||(\frac{P'(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P'(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})})(s)||_{L^{2}} ||\nabla \sigma(s)||_{L^{2}} + ||(z, H)(s)||_{L^{2}} ||\nabla(z, H)(s)||_{L^{2}} \lesssim (1 + s)^{-2}.
$$

Moreover, with the help of decay rate [\(1.5\)](#page-1-0), the definition [\(2.4\)](#page-3-0) of  $\mathfrak{M}(t)$ , Lemma [3.6,](#page-13-3) remark [3.1](#page-13-4) and the Hölder's and Hausdorff-Young's inequality, we can estimate the derivatives of the nonlinear term  $(2.2)$  as:

<span id="page-5-0"></span>
$$
\| |\xi|^{N-1} \hat{G}^{l}(s) \|_{L^{\infty}}\n\n\lesssim \|\nabla^{N-1} G^{l}(s) \|_{L^{1}}\n\n\lesssim \|\nabla^{N-1}(\sigma \, \text{div} z + z \cdot \nabla \sigma)(s) \|_{L^{1}} + \|\nabla^{N-1}(z \cdot \nabla z)(s) \|_{L^{1}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-2} \Big[ \Big( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \Big) \Delta z + \Big( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \Big) \nabla \, \text{div} z \Big] (s) \Big\|_{L^{1}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-1} \Big[ \Big( \frac{P^{'}(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P^{'}(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \Big) \nabla \sigma \Big] (s) \Big\|_{L^{1}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-1} \Big[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} (H \cdot \nabla H - \nabla(|H|^{2})) \Big] (s) \Big\|_{L^{1}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-1} (H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \, \text{div} z)(s) \Big\|_{L^{1}}\n\n\lesssim \|(\sigma, z)(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma, z)(s) \|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla(\sigma, z)(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N-1}(\sigma, z)(s) \|_{L^{2}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-2} \sigma(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\Delta z(s) \|_{L^{2}} + \|\sigma(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} z(s) \|_{L^{2}}\n\n+ \|\nabla^{N-1} \sigma(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla \sigma(s) \|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla H(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N-1} H(s) \|_{L^{2}}\n\n+ \|(z, H)(s) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N}(z, H)(s) \|_{L^{2}}\n\n\lesssim \delta(1 + s)^{-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{N}{2}} \sqrt{\mathfrak{
$$

Inserting estimates [\(2.10\)](#page-4-0) and [\(2.11\)](#page-5-0) into [\(2.9\)](#page-4-1), then using the monotonicity of  $\mathfrak{M}(t)$ and Lemma [2.1,](#page-3-4) we can obtain Lemma [2.3.](#page-4-2)

 $\Box$ 

Next, we will work on establishing the energy estimate at high frequency, i.e. the N-order spatial derivative of the solution. Our results are illustrated in the following Lemma:

<span id="page-5-2"></span>Lemma 2.4. Under the conditions of Theorem [1.1,](#page-2-0) the estimate

$$
\|\nabla^N(\sigma^h, z^h, H^h, \nabla\Phi^h)(t)\|_{L^2} \le C(C_0 + \delta\sqrt{\mathfrak{M}(t)})(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{N}{2}} \tag{2.12}
$$

holds.

**Proof.** By the  $\nabla^N$  energy estimate, for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}((2.1)_1)$  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}((2.1)_1)$  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}((2.1)_1)$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}((2.1)_2)$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}((2.1)_3)$  on  $\sigma^h$ ,  $z^h$ ,  $H^h$  respectively, we can see that

<span id="page-5-1"></span>
$$
\begin{cases}\n\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \gamma \langle \nabla^N \text{div} z^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle = \langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle, \\
\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\nabla^N z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \gamma \langle \nabla^N \nabla \sigma^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle - \mu_1 \langle \nabla^N \Delta z^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle \\
-\mu_2 \langle \nabla^N \nabla \text{div} z^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \langle \nabla^N \nabla \Phi^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle = \langle \nabla^N G_2^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle, \\
\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\nabla^N H^h\|_{L^2}^2 - \nu \langle \nabla^N \Delta H^h, \nabla^N H^h \rangle = \langle \nabla^N G_3^h, \nabla^N H^h \rangle.\n\end{cases} (2.13)
$$

And note that

<span id="page-6-0"></span>
$$
-\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}z^{h}\rangle = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}\text{div}z^{h}\rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}\left[\frac{1}{\bar{\rho}}\text{div}(\sigma z)+\frac{1}{\gamma}\sigma_{t}\right]^{h}\rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{1}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}\text{div}(\sigma z)^{h}\rangle - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma^{2}}\langle\nabla^{N}\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}\Delta\Phi^{h}_{t}\rangle \quad(2.14)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \frac{1}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}(\sigma z)^{h}\rangle + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma^{2}}\langle\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h}_{t}\rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma^{2}}\frac{d}{dt}\|\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \frac{1}{\gamma}\langle\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h},\nabla^{N}(\sigma z)^{h}\rangle.
$$

Thus by [\(2.13\)](#page-5-1), [\(2.14\)](#page-6-0) and integration by parts, we infer that

$$
\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma^{h}, z, H)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma^{2}} \frac{d}{dt} \|\nabla^{N} \nabla \Phi^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + (\mu_{1} + \mu_{2}) \|\nabla^{N+1} z^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \n+ \nu \|\nabla^{N+1} H^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} = \langle \nabla^{N} G_{1}^{h}, \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \rangle + \langle \nabla^{N} G_{2}^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle + \langle \nabla^{N} G_{3}^{h}, \nabla^{N} H^{h} \rangle \n- \frac{1}{\gamma} \langle \nabla^{N} \nabla \Phi^{h}, \nabla^{N} (\sigma z)^{h} \rangle.
$$
\n(2.15)

Now, let us estimate the terms in the righthand side of [\(2.15\)](#page-6-1) one by one. For the first term, we know that:

<span id="page-6-1"></span>
$$
\langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle = -\frac{\gamma}{\overline{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (\sigma \operatorname{div} z + z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle
$$
  
=  $-\frac{\gamma}{\overline{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (\sigma \operatorname{div} z)^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle - \frac{\gamma}{\overline{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle$  (2.16)  
:=  $I_1 + I_2$ .

For  $I_1$ , by  $(1.8)$  and Lemma [3.1–](#page-12-0)Lemma [3.5,](#page-12-2) we get

<span id="page-6-3"></span>
$$
|I_{1}| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma \text{div} z)^{h}\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma \text{div} z)\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim (\|\sigma\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N} \text{div} z\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} \|\text{div} z\|_{L^{\infty}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim (\|\nabla \sigma\|_{H^{1}} \|\nabla^{N} \text{div} z\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla \text{div} z\|_{H^{1}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim \delta (\|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}}^{2}),
$$
\n(2.17)

where we have used Young's and Hölder's inequalities. For the term  $I_2$ , we obtain from  $f = f^h + f^l$  that

<span id="page-6-2"></span>
$$
I_2 = -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma) - \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^l, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma^h) + \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma^l) - \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^l, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
:= I_{2,1} + I_{2,2} + I_{2,3}.
$$
\n(2.18)

In terms of the commutator notation of Lemma [3.4,](#page-12-3) one can obtain

<span id="page-7-0"></span>
$$
-\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}}\langle\nabla^N(z\cdot\nabla\sigma^h),\nabla^N\sigma^h\rangle=-\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}}\langle z\cdot\nabla\nabla^N\sigma^h,\nabla^N\sigma^h\rangle-\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}}\langle[\nabla^N,z]\nabla\sigma^h,\nabla^N\sigma^h\rangle.
$$

We can employ integrating by parts to imply

$$
|\langle z \cdot \nabla \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}, \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \rangle| = \left| \frac{1}{2} \langle \operatorname{div} z, |\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}|^{2} \rangle \right| \lesssim ||\nabla z||_{L^{\infty}} ||\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}||_{L^{2}}^{2} \leq 2.19
$$
\n
$$
\lesssim \delta ||\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}||_{L^{2}}^{2}.
$$
\n(2.19)

On the other hand, based on the estimates [\(3.5\)](#page-12-4) of Lemma [3.4,](#page-12-3) we can derive

<span id="page-7-1"></span>
$$
\begin{split} |\langle [\nabla^{N}, z] \nabla \sigma^{h}, \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \rangle| &\lesssim \|[ \nabla^{N}, z] \nabla \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \\ &\lesssim (\| \nabla z \|_{L^{\infty}} \| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} + \| \nabla^{N} z \|_{L^{6}} \| \nabla \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{3}}) \| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \\ &\lesssim (\| \nabla^{2} z \|_{H^{1}} \| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} + \| \nabla^{N+1} z \|_{L^{2}} \| \nabla \sigma^{h} \|_{H^{1}}) \| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \\ &\lesssim \delta(\| \nabla^{N} \sigma^{h} \|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \| \nabla^{N+1} z \|_{L^{2}}^{2}). \end{split} \tag{2.20}
$$

Using  $(2.19)-(2.20)$  $(2.19)-(2.20)$  $(2.19)-(2.20)$ , we have

<span id="page-7-3"></span>
$$
|I_{2,1}| \lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2}^2). \tag{2.21}
$$

For the term  $I_{2,2}$ , by the fact that  $\|\nabla^k f^l\|_{L^2} \leq \|\nabla^{k-1} f^l\|_{L^2} (k \geq 1)$ , we have:

<span id="page-7-2"></span>
$$
|I_{2,2}| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N}(z \cdot \nabla \sigma^{l})\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim (\|z\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N+1} \sigma^{l}\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N} z\|_{L^{6}} \|\nabla \sigma^{l}\|_{L^{3}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim (\|\nabla z\|_{H^{1}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla \sigma\|_{H^{1}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}}^{2}).
$$
\n(2.22)

<span id="page-7-4"></span>Similar to [\(2.22\)](#page-7-2), we have

$$
|I_{2,3}| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N}(z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^{l}\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma^{h}\|_{L^{2}}\n\lesssim \|\nabla^{N-1}(z \cdot \nabla \sigma)\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\n\lesssim (\|z\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N-1} z\|_{L^{6}} \|\nabla \sigma\|_{L^{3}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\n\lesssim (\|\nabla z\|_{H^{1}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N} z\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla \sigma\|_{H^{1}}) \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}\n\lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N} z\|_{L^{2}}^{2}).
$$
\n(2.23)

Inserting estimates  $(2.21)-(2.23)$  $(2.21)-(2.23)$  $(2.21)-(2.23)$  into  $(2.18)$ , it is easy to obtain

<span id="page-7-5"></span>
$$
|I_2| \lesssim \delta \|\left(\nabla^N \sigma, \nabla^N z, \nabla^{N+1} z\right)\|_{L^2}^2. \tag{2.24}
$$

Therefore, summing up estimates  $(2.17)$  and  $(2.24)$ , we have

<span id="page-7-6"></span>
$$
|\langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle| \lesssim \delta \| (\nabla^N \sigma, \nabla^N z, \nabla^{N+1} z) \|_{L^2}^2.
$$
 (2.25)

For the second term in the right-hand side of  $(2.15)$ , we obtain from  $(2.2)$  that

<span id="page-8-0"></span>
$$
\langle \nabla^{N} G_{2}^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle = -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \nabla^{N} (z \cdot \nabla z)^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle
$$
  
+  $\langle \nabla^{N} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \right) \nabla \text{div} z \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle$   
+  $\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \langle \nabla^{N} \left[ \left( \frac{P^{'}(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P^{'}(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \right) \nabla \sigma \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle$   
+  $\langle \nabla^{N} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} H \cdot \nabla H \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle$   
-  $\langle \nabla^{N} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \nabla (|H|^{2}) \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \rangle := \sum_{i=3}^{7} I_{i}.$  (2.26)

Next, we devote ourselves to estimating the five terms on the right-hand side of [\(2.26\)](#page-8-0). For the term  $I_3$ ,  $I_6$  and  $I_7$ , similar to the proof of [\(2.17\)](#page-6-3), we can obtain

$$
|I_3| + |I_6| + |I_7| \lesssim \delta \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} H\|_{L^2}^2.
$$
 (2.27)

<span id="page-8-1"></span> $I_4$  is estimated by

<span id="page-8-4"></span>
$$
|I_{4}| = \left| \left\langle \nabla^{N} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \right) \nabla z \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} z^{h} \right\rangle \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left| \left\langle \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \right) \nabla z \right]^{h}, \nabla^{N} \text{div} z^{h} \right\rangle \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \left\| \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \right) \nabla z \right]^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}} \left\| \nabla^{N} \text{div} z^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \left\| \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{1} \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_{2} \right) \nabla z \right] \right\|_{L^{2}} \left\| \nabla^{N+1} z^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim (\|\sigma\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N-1} \sigma\|_{L^{6}} \|\Delta z\|_{L^{3}}) \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim (\|\nabla \sigma\|_{H^{1}} \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}} + \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} \|\Delta z\|_{H^{1}}) \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}}^{2}).
$$

<span id="page-8-2"></span>Similarly, we also have

$$
|I_5| \lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^{N+1}z\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^N \sigma\|_{L^2}^2). \tag{2.29}
$$

Plugging  $(2.27)-(2.29)$  $(2.27)-(2.29)$  $(2.27)-(2.29)$  into  $(2.26)$  yields that

<span id="page-8-3"></span>
$$
|\langle \nabla^N G_2^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle| \lesssim \delta \| (\nabla^N \sigma, \nabla^{N+1} H, \nabla^{N+1} z) \|_{L^2}^2.
$$
 (2.30)

We also need to estimate the last term  $\langle \nabla^N G_3^h, \nabla^N z^h \rangle$  which is equivalent to the

following:

$$
\begin{split}\n|\langle \nabla^{N} G_{3}^{h}, \nabla^{N} H^{h} \rangle| &= \left| \frac{\gamma}{\rho} \langle \nabla^{N} (H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \text{div} z)^{h}, \nabla^{N} H^{h} \rangle \right| \\
&\lesssim \|\nabla^{N} (H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \text{div} z)^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} H^{h} \|_{L^{2}} \\
&\lesssim \|\nabla^{N} (H \cdot \nabla z - z \cdot \nabla H - H \text{div} z) \|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N+1} H \|_{L^{2}} \\
&\lesssim (\|(z, H) \|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N+1} (z, H) \|_{L^{2}} \\
&+ \|\nabla (z, H) \|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N} (z, H) \|_{L^{2}}) \|\nabla^{N+1} H \|_{L^{2}} \\
&\lesssim \delta (\|\nabla^{N} (z, H) \|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N+1} (z, H) \|_{L^{2}}^{2}).\n\end{split} \tag{2.31}
$$

The same as before

<span id="page-9-0"></span>
$$
\left| -\frac{1}{\gamma} \langle \nabla^{N} \nabla \Phi^{h}, \nabla^{N} (\sigma z)^{h} \rangle \right| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N} (\sigma z)^{h}\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \nabla \Phi^{h}\|_{L^{2}} \leq \|\nabla^{N} (\sigma z)\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N-1} \sigma^{h}\|_{L^{2}} \leq \|(\sigma, z)\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\nabla^{N} (\sigma, z)\|_{L^{2}} \|\nabla^{N} \sigma\|_{L^{2}} \leq \delta \|\nabla^{N} (\sigma, z)\|_{L^{2}}^{2}.
$$
\n(2.32)

Thus, with the aid of the estimates  $(2.25)$ ,  $(2.30)-(2.32)$  $(2.30)-(2.32)$  $(2.30)-(2.32)$ , we obtain from  $(2.15)$ that

$$
\frac{1}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma^{h}, z, H)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma^{2}}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \|\nabla^{N}\nabla\Phi^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + (\mu_{1} + \mu_{2})\|\nabla^{N+1}z^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \nu\|\nabla^{N+1}H^{h}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^{N}(\sigma, z, H)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N+1}(z, H)\|_{L^{2}}^{2}).
$$
\n(2.33)

Next, we will derive the dissipation estimate for  $\sigma^h$  to close the estimate. To end this, taking  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}(\nabla^{N-1}(2.1)_2)$  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}(\nabla^{N-1}(2.1)_2)$  $\mathcal{Q}_{\infty}(\nabla^{N-1}(2.1)_2)$  and multiplying  $\nabla^N \sigma^h$ , integrating over  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and using equation  $(2.1)<sub>1</sub>$  $(2.1)<sub>1</sub>$  and  $(2.1)<sub>4</sub>$  we have

<span id="page-9-5"></span>
$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \nabla^{N-1} z^h \nabla^N \sigma^h \mathrm{d}x + \gamma \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \|\nabla^N (\nabla \Phi)^h\|_{L^2}^2 \n= \gamma \|\nabla^N z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \mu_1 \langle \nabla^{N+1} z^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle + \mu_2 \langle \nabla^N \mathrm{div} z^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle \n+ \langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^{N-1} z^h \rangle + \langle \nabla^{N-1} G_2^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle.
$$
\n(2.34)

The Young inequality implies

<span id="page-9-4"></span><span id="page-9-1"></span>
$$
|\mu_1 \langle \nabla^{N+1} z^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N+1} z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{\gamma}{4} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2, \tag{2.35}
$$

and

<span id="page-9-2"></span>
$$
|\mu_2 \langle \nabla^N \mathrm{div} z^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle| \lesssim \|\nabla^N \mathrm{div} z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{\gamma}{4} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2. \tag{2.36}
$$

Then, we should estimate the term  $\langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^{N-1} z^h \rangle$ . From  $(2.2)_1$  $(2.2)_1$ , we can get

$$
\langle \nabla^N G_1^h, \nabla^{N-1} z^h \rangle = -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\sigma}} \langle \nabla^N (\sigma \operatorname{div} z)^h, \nabla^{N-1} z^h \rangle - \frac{\gamma}{\bar{\sigma}} \langle \nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla \sigma)^h, \nabla^{N-1} z^h \rangle
$$
  
 :=  $J_1 + J_2.$  (2.37)

<span id="page-9-3"></span>Following the idea of  $(2.17)$  and  $(2.28)$ , we can get

$$
|J_1| + |J_2| \lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^N \sigma\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^N z\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2}^2). \tag{2.38}
$$

For the last term  $\langle \nabla^{N-1}G_2, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle$ , it is easy to check that

$$
\langle \nabla^{N-1} G_2, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle = -\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\rho}} \langle \nabla^{N-1} (z \cdot \nabla z)^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \rangle + \left\langle \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_1 \right) \Delta z + \left( \frac{\lambda + \mu}{\sigma + \bar{\rho}} - \mu_2 \right) \nabla \text{div} z \right]^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \right\rangle + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \left\langle \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \left( \frac{P'(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}} - \frac{P'(\sigma + \bar{\rho})}{(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \right) \nabla \sigma \right]^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \right\rangle + \left\langle \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} H \cdot \nabla H \right]^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \right\rangle - \left\langle \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{2\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} \nabla (|H|^2) \right]^h, \nabla^N \sigma^h \right\rangle := \sum_{j=3}^7 J_j.
$$
\n(2.39)

<span id="page-10-0"></span>For the term  $J_3$ , we have

$$
|J_3| \lesssim \|\nabla^{N-1}(z \cdot \nabla z)^h\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \|\nabla^N (z \cdot \nabla z)\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim (\|z\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla^N z\|_{L^6} \|\nabla z\|_{L^3}) \|\nabla^N \sigma\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \delta(\|\nabla^N \sigma\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2}^2).
$$
\n(2.40)

Similarly, we have

$$
|J_4| + |J_5| \lesssim \delta(||\nabla^N \sigma||^2_{L^2} + ||\nabla^{N+1} z||^2_{L^2}).
$$
\n(2.41)

For the terms  $J_6$  and  $J_7$ , we can get

<span id="page-10-1"></span>
$$
|J_6| + |J_7| \lesssim \left\| \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} H \cdot \nabla H \right]^h \right\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \left\| \nabla^{N-1} \left[ \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma(\sigma + \bar{\rho})} H \cdot \nabla H \right] \right\|_{L^2} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim (\|H\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla^N H\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla^{N-1} H\|_{L^6} \|\nabla H\|_{L^3}) \|\nabla^N \sigma\|_{L^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\lesssim \delta \|\nabla^N(\sigma, H)\|_{L^2}^2.
$$
\n(2.42)

Substituting [\(2.35\)](#page-9-1)-[\(2.36\)](#page-9-2), [\(2.38\)](#page-9-3) and [\(2.40\)](#page-10-0)-[\(2.42\)](#page-10-1) into [\(2.34\)](#page-9-4) yields immediately

<span id="page-10-2"></span>
$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \nabla^{N-1} z^h \nabla^N \sigma^h \mathrm{d}x + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\gamma} \|\nabla^N (\nabla \Phi)^h\|_{L^2}^2 \n\lesssim \|\nabla^{N+1} z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \delta(\|\nabla^N (\sigma, z, H)\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z\|_{L^2}^2).
$$
\n(2.43)

Now, to close the above energy estimate, we define the following temporary energy functional:

$$
\mathfrak{E}(\mathfrak{t}) = D_0 \|\nabla^N(\sigma^h, z^h, H^h, \nabla\Phi^h)\|_{L^2}^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \nabla^{N-1} z^h \nabla^N \sigma^h \mathrm{d}x,\tag{2.44}
$$

where  $D_0$  is a large enough positive number. Then we have the equivalence relationship as follows:

$$
c_1 \|\nabla^N(\sigma^h, z^h, H^h, \nabla \Phi^h)\|_{L^2}^2 \le \mathfrak{E}(\mathfrak{t}) \le C_1 \|\nabla^N(\sigma^h, z^h, H^h, \nabla \Phi^h)\|_{L^2}^2, \qquad (2.45)
$$

where  $c_1$  and  $C_1$  are two positive constants which are independent of time. Together with the estimates [\(2.33\)](#page-9-5) and [\(2.43\)](#page-10-2), applying Lemma [3.1](#page-12-0) and the smallness of  $\delta$ , we obtain

$$
\frac{d}{dt}\mathfrak{E}(\mathfrak{t}) + \|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} H^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^N (\nabla \Phi)^h\|_{L^2}^2
$$
\n
$$
\lesssim \|(\nabla^N (\sigma^l, z^l, H^l)\|_{L^2}^2.
$$
\n(2.46)

Employing the property of the high-frequency part, we have

$$
\|\nabla^N \sigma^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} z^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^{N+1} H^h\|_{L^2}^2 + \|\nabla^N (\nabla \Phi)^h\|_{L^2}^2 \ge C_1 \mathfrak{E}(\mathfrak{t}).\tag{2.47}
$$

Then taking full advantage of the Gronwall inequality and Lemma [2.3,](#page-4-2) we can obtain

$$
\mathfrak{E}(t) \leq \mathfrak{E}(0)e^{-C_1t} + \int_0^t e^{-C_1(t-s)} \|\nabla^N(\sigma^l, z^l, H^l)(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \mathfrak{E}(0)e^{-C_1t} + C \int_0^t e^{-C_1(t-s)}(1+s)^{-\frac{3}{2}-N} \Big( \|U_0\|_{L^1}^2 + \delta^2 \mathfrak{M}(s) \Big) ds
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \mathfrak{E}(0)e^{-C_1t} + C \Big( \|U_0\|_{L^1}^2 + \delta^2 \mathfrak{M}(t) \Big) \int_0^t e^{-C_1(t-s)}(1+s)^{-\frac{3}{2}-N} ds
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq C(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{2}-N} (\mathfrak{E}(0) + \|U_0\|_{L^1}^2 + \delta^2 \mathfrak{M}(t)).
$$
\n(2.48)

Therefore, due to the equivalence relationships of  $\mathfrak{E}(t)$ , we directly complete the proof of Lemma [2.4.](#page-5-2)  $\Box$ 

<span id="page-11-0"></span>Finally, by Lemma [2.3](#page-4-2) and Lemma [2.4,](#page-5-2) it holds that

$$
\|\nabla^{N}(\sigma, z, H, \nabla\Phi)(t)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \leq \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma^{h}, z^{h}, H^{h}, \nabla\Phi^{h})(t)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\nabla^{N}(\sigma^{l}, z^{l}, H^{l}, \nabla\Phi^{l})(t)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \leq C(1+t)^{-\frac{3}{2}-N}(\mathfrak{E}(0) + \|U_{0}\|_{L^{1}}^{2} + \delta^{2} \mathfrak{M}(t)).
$$
\n(2.49)

Following the definition [\(2.4\)](#page-3-0) of  $\mathfrak{M}(t)$  and estimate [\(2.49\)](#page-11-0), one can deduce that

$$
\mathfrak{M}(t) \leq C(\mathfrak{E}(0) + \|U_0\|_{L^1}^2 + \delta^2 \mathfrak{M}(t)).
$$

Together with the smallness of  $\delta$ , it implies that  $\mathfrak{M}(t) \leq C(\mathfrak{E}(0) + ||U_0||_{L^1}^2)$ . This completes the proof of Proposition [2.1.](#page-3-1) What's more, note that  $\sigma = \text{div}\nabla\Phi$ , and then we have  $(1.10)$ .

# 3. Appendix

In our appendix, we will give some important analytical tools which are available to our proof mentioned above. To begin with, let's introduce the properties about high-low frequency decomposition.

<span id="page-12-0"></span>**Lemma 3.1.** If  $F(x) \in H^{\ell}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  (  $\ell$  is an integer), it holds that

 $\|\nabla^i F\|_{L^2} \le \|\nabla^i F^h\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla^i F^l\|_{L^2}, \quad i \ge 0,$  (3.1)

$$
\|\nabla^i F^l\|_{L^2} \le \|\nabla^{i-1} F^l\|_{L^2}, \quad i \ge 1,
$$
\n(3.2)

$$
\|\nabla^i F^h\|_{L^2} \le \|\nabla^{i+1} F^h\|_{L^2}, \quad i \ge 1.
$$
\n(3.3)

In the next few lines, we will give the well-known theorem, known as the Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequality.

<span id="page-12-1"></span>**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $0 \leq i, j \leq \ell$ . Then we have

$$
\|\nabla^i F\|_{L^p} \lesssim \|\nabla^j F\|_{L^q}^{1-\theta} \|\nabla^\ell F\|_{L^r}^\theta,
$$

where  $\theta \in [\frac{i}{\ell}, 1]$  and satisfies

$$
\frac{1}{p} - \frac{i}{3} = \left(\frac{1}{q} - \frac{j}{3}\right)(1 - \theta) + \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{\ell}{3}\right)\theta.
$$

In particular, taking  $p = q = r = 2$ , one has

$$
\|\nabla^i F\|_{L^2} \lesssim \|\nabla^j F\|_{L^2}^{\frac{\ell-i}{\ell-j}} \|\nabla^\ell F\|_{L^2}^{\frac{i-j}{\ell-j}}.
$$

**Proof.** See the article [\[7\]](#page-14-9) to get more details about this proof.

To facilitate the estimation of cross terms, we list the following Lemma, cf [\[5\]](#page-14-10).

<span id="page-12-5"></span>**Lemma 3.3.** It holds that for  $\ell \geq 0$ ,

$$
\|\nabla^{\ell}(F_1F_2)\|_{L^p}\lesssim \|F_1\|_{L^{p_1}}\|\nabla^{\ell}F_2\|_{L^{p_2}}+\|F_2\|_{L^{p_3}}\|\nabla^{\ell}F_1\|_{L^{p_4}},
$$

where  $p, p_2, p_3 \in (1, +\infty)$  and

$$
\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} = \frac{1}{p_3} + \frac{1}{p_4}.
$$

Furthermore, with the help of Lemma [3.2-](#page-12-1)Lemma [3.3,](#page-12-5) we can derive the following estimate.

<span id="page-12-3"></span>**Lemma 3.4.** Let integer  $\ell \geq 1$ . For any pair of functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  belonging to  $H^{\ell} \cap L^{\infty}$ , we can define the following commutator

$$
[\nabla^{\ell}, F_1]F_2 = \nabla^{\ell}(F_1 F_2) - F_1 \nabla^{\ell} F_2.
$$
\n(3.4)

Then we have

<span id="page-12-4"></span>
$$
\|[\nabla^{\ell}, F_1] F_2\|_{L^p} \lesssim \|\nabla F_1\|_{L^{p_1}} \|\nabla^{\ell-1} F_2\|_{L^{p_2}} + \|\nabla^{\ell} F_1\|_{L^{p_3}} \|F_2\|_{L^{p_4}}.\tag{3.5}
$$

Here  $p, p_1, p_2, p_3$  are defined in Lemma [3.2.](#page-12-1)

For convenience, we will present some Sobolev embedding inequalities.

<span id="page-12-2"></span>**Lemma 3.5.** (i) Assume that  $F(x) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Then we have:

$$
||F||_{L^6} \le C ||\nabla F||_{L^2},
$$
  
\n
$$
||F||_{L^3} \le C(||F||_{L^2} + ||F||_{L^6}) \le C ||F||_{H^1}.
$$
  
\n(ii) If  $F(x) \in H^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , then

$$
||F||_{L^{\infty}} \leq C||\nabla F||_{H^{1}}.
$$

 $\Box$ 

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In the end, we present the following Moser-type inequality.

<span id="page-13-3"></span>**Lemma 3.6.** Assume that  $F(f)$  is a smooth function of f with bounded derivatives of any order and f belongs to  $H^{\ell}$  for any integer  $\ell \geq 3$ . Then it holds that

$$
\|\nabla^{\ell}F(f)\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim \sup_{1 \leq j \leq \ell} \|F^{(j)}(f)\|_{L^{\infty}} \Big(\sum_{2 \leq k \leq \ell} \|f\|_{L^{2}}^{k-1-\frac{3(k-1)}{2\ell}} \|\nabla^{\ell}f\|_{L^{2}}^{1+\frac{3(k-1)}{2\ell}} + \|\nabla^{\ell}f\|_{L^{2}}\Big).
$$
\n(3.6)

Specifically, if f has the lower and upper bounds with  $||f||_{H^{\ell}} \leq 1$ , then we have

$$
\|\nabla^{\ell}F(f)\|_{L^2} \lesssim \|\nabla^{\ell}f\|_{L^2}.\tag{3.7}
$$

**Proof.** See the article  $[2]$  to get more details about this proof.

<span id="page-13-4"></span>**Remark 3.1.** Observe that  $\frac{\mu}{\sigma+\bar{\rho}}-\mu_1$ ,  $\frac{\lambda+\mu}{\sigma+\bar{\rho}}-\mu_2$ ,  $\frac{P^{'}(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}}-\frac{P^{'}(\sigma+\bar{\rho})}{(\sigma+\bar{\rho})}$  $\frac{\overline{\rho}(\sigma+\overline{\rho})}{(\sigma+\overline{\rho})}$  and  $\frac{\overline{\rho}}{\sigma+\overline{\rho}}$  are all smooth functions of  $\sigma$ . By virtue of Lemma [3.6,](#page-13-3) we can get

$$
\|\nabla^i \left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma+\bar{\rho}}-\mu_1\right)\|_{L^2}\lesssim \|\nabla^i \sigma\|_{L^2},\quad \|\nabla^i \left(\frac{\lambda+\mu}{\sigma+\bar{\rho}}-\mu_2\right)\|_{L^2}\lesssim \|\nabla^i \sigma\|_{L^2},
$$

and

$$
\|\nabla^i\Big(\frac{P^{'}(\bar{\rho})}{\bar{\rho}}-\frac{P^{'}(\sigma+\bar{\rho})}{(\sigma+\bar{\rho})}\Big)\|_{L^2}\lesssim \|\nabla^i\sigma\|_{L^2},\quad \|\nabla^i\Big(\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\sigma+\bar{\rho}}\Big)\|_{L^2}\lesssim \|\nabla^i\sigma\|_{L^2}.
$$

Conclusion: In this paper, we have studied the optimal decay rates for the highestorder derivatives of solutions for the compressible MHD equations under the influence of Coulomb force. In the future, we will derive the optimal decay rates of the solutions for this model in the non-isentropic case. It's worth pointing out that there is no information about the solutions to the linear systems for this case, and we will address this difficulty in our future work.

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