

Rarefied Hypersonic and Micro/ Nanoscale Gas Flows and Heat Transfer

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Research goal

Pushing the limit of conventional gas dynamics (Navier-Stokes theory) based on new constitutive relations

Nonlinear Coupled Constitutive Relations (NCCR) and Langmuir slip models

- ☑ A unified framework for rarefied and micro/nanoscale gases
- ☑ Validated for various benchmark problems

Developing an efficient computational model for rarefied and micro/nanoscale gases

Combination of conservation laws and NCCR

- ☑ Aiming at replacing computationally inefficient DSMC in transition regimes
- ☑ Low computational cost comparable with NS codes
- ☑ Successfully applied to two-dimensional hypersonic flow

Applications of new models to hypersonic vehicles and micro/nano devices

Prediction of aerothermodynamic coefficients (bridging formula)

- ☑ Aerodynamic characteristics of reentry space vehicles
- ☑ New theory of force-driven microscale Poiseuille gas flows based on non-Fourier law

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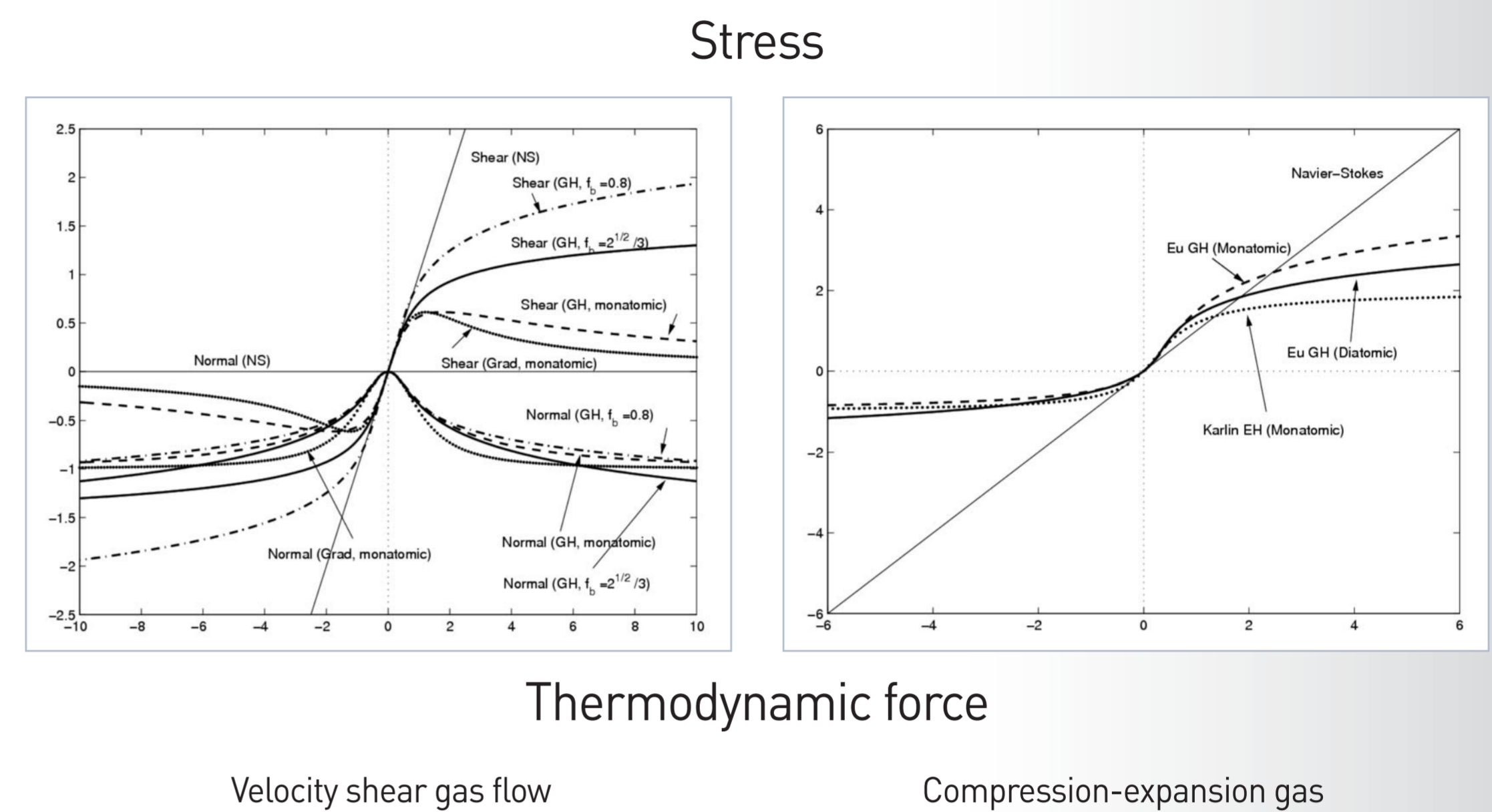
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Milestones

New nonlinear coupled constitutive relations (NCCR)



New Langmuir slip model

$$K = \frac{C_c}{C_m C_s} = \frac{N\alpha}{[p/k_B T_w] N(1-\alpha)}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta p}{1 + \beta p} \quad \text{where} \quad \beta = \frac{K}{k_B T_w}$$

$m + s \rightleftharpoons c$

The fraction of gas molecules at thermal equilibrium

Dissemination of research outcomes

Journal of Computational Physics (Elsevier; 2001,2004)
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