Stochastic Navier-Stokes equations: ideas and results using nonstandard analysis

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Initially regard this as an equation in  $\mathbf{V}'$  (the dual of  $\mathbf{V}$ ) although it turns out that solutions live in  $\mathbf{H}$  (and in fact in  $\mathbf{V}$  for almost all times).

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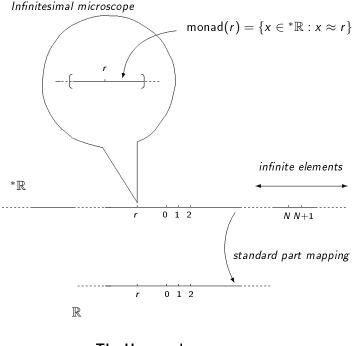
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**Examples**:  $*\mathbb{N}, *\mathbb{Z}$  and  $*\mathbb{Q}$ , the sets of *hypernatural numbers, hyperintegers* and *hyperrationals* respectively. We can talk about an infinite (hyper)natural number N.

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# Theorem

(Capiński & NJC 1999) For special forms of the noise term g(u) in the 2D sNSe there is a stochastic attractor  $A(\omega)$  (compact in the strong topology of **H**). Precise definition and proof - too long and complicated!

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**Remark** It can be shown that if  $\Omega$  is any sufficiently rich space (for example if  $\Omega$  is a Loeb space) then any process attractor A is **not** compact.

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Details: NJC & K.Grzesiak: Stochastics (2005) and AMO (2007).

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