



# Alignment via Friction for Nonisothermal Multicomponent Fluid Systems

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## Abstract

The derivation of an approximate Class–I model for nonisothermal multicomponent systems of fluids, as the high-friction limit of a Class–II model is justified, by validating the Chapman–Enskog expansion performed from the Class–II model towards the Class–I model. The analysis proceeds by comparing two thermomechanical theories via relative entropy.

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## 1 Introduction

Multicomponent systems of fluids, i.e. systems of fluids composed of several constituents, are common in nature and industry, with applications including gas separation, catalysis, sedimentation, dialysis, electrolysis, and ion transport [14]. Due to the complexity of such systems, one distinguishes among different classes (or types) of models, depending on how much information is assumed on the modeling stage. More detailed models have the advantage that they describe the physical phenomena more accurately, but at the same time the number of unknowns makes it difficult to analyze the systems, implement numerical algorithms, and it is impossible to measure experimentally certain of the quantities involved. It is thus expedient to understand the methods of passage from more detailed models to less detailed ones, as the latter are simpler and easier to comprehend. Ample understanding exists

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Dedicated to Shi Jin on the occasion of his 60th birthday with friendship and admiration.

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in the literature concerning the mechanical aspects of modeling, considerations of consistency with thermodynamics, and modeling of dissipation mechanisms for multicomponent systems, see [1, 9] and references therein. The focus here is on the effect of friction as a mechanism of passage to simplified models.

In the literature, Class-II models refers to models assuming detailed knowledge of the constituent velocities  $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  while Class-I models refers to those models using the barycentric velocity  $v$  for the description of motion of the mixture. The reduction from Class-II to Class-I models proceeds via relaxation induced by friction from the constituent velocities to the common barycentric velocity. The mathematical theory of relaxation was initiated in the works [4, 12] and in the context of problems with friction may lead to diffusion equations [10, 13]. In the context of reduction from Class-II to Class-I models, the relevant mechanism is one of alignment through friction to a common barycentric velocity and it is best captured through the Chapman-Enskog expansion [11, 15]. In this work we describe this mechanism and provide a quantitative convergence result in a context of nonisothermal models.

To focus ideas, let  $n$  be the number of components of the system. We consider the Class-II model consisting of  $n$  mass balances,  $n$  momentum balances and a single energy balance:

$$\partial_t \rho_i + \operatorname{div}(\rho_i v_i) = 0, \tag{1.1}$$

$$\partial_t(\rho_i v_i) + \operatorname{div}(\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i) = \rho_i b_i - \nabla p_i - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \theta \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j), \tag{1.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \left( \rho e + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \rho_j v_j^2 \right) + \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \rho_j e_j + p_j + \frac{1}{2} \rho_j v_j^2 \right) v_j \right) \\ = \operatorname{div}(\kappa \nabla \theta) + \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j b_j \cdot v_j + \rho r, \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . For simplicity we consider the problem on  $\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)$ , where  $\mathbb{T}^3$  denotes the three dimensional torus, that is with space-periodic boundary conditions. The same analysis can be performed in a bounded domain  $\Omega$ , with no-flux boundary conditions, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_i v_i \cdot \nu = 0, \quad (\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i + p_i \mathbb{I}) \nu = 0, \\ \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \rho_j e_j + p_j + \frac{1}{2} \rho_j v_j^2 \right) v_j - \kappa \nabla \theta \right) \cdot \nu = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , on the parabolic boundary  $\partial\Omega \times [0, \infty)$ , where  $\nu$  denotes the outward normal to the boundary  $\partial\Omega$ .

The variables of the model are the  $n$  partial densities  $\rho_i$ , the  $n$  partial velocities  $v_i$  and the temperature  $\theta$ , which is assumed to be the same for all components. The remaining quantities of the model are  $b_i$  the external force exerted on the  $i$ -th component,  $p_i$  the partial pressure and  $\rho_i e_i$  the internal energy of the  $i$ -th component. Moreover, we define

$$\rho = \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j, \quad v = \frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j, \quad p = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j, \quad \rho e = \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j e_j, \quad \rho b = \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j b_j$$

to be respectively the total mass density  $\rho$ , the barycentric velocity  $v$ , the total pressure  $p$ , the (total) internal energy  $\rho e$  and the total force  $\rho b$ . Finally,  $\kappa$  is the thermal conductivity,  $\rho r$

the radiative heat supply and  $b_{ij}$  are positive and symmetric coefficients, modeling binary interactions between the components, with a strength that is measured by  $\epsilon > 0$ .

The thermodynamics of the model is described by a set of constitutive relations, assuming that the Helmholtz free energy functions  $\rho_i \psi_i$  are given, which are

$$\rho_i \psi_i = \rho_i \psi_i(\rho_i, \theta), \tag{1.5}$$

$$\rho_i \eta_i = \rho_i e_i - \rho_i \eta_i \theta, \tag{1.6}$$

$$\mu_i = (\rho_i \psi_i)_{\rho_i} \tag{1.7}$$

$$\rho_i \eta_i = -(\rho_i \psi_i)_{\theta} \tag{1.8}$$

where  $\rho_i \eta_i$  are the partial entropies,  $\mu_i$  the chemical potentials and we denote partial derivatives by subscripts, e.g.  $f_{\rho_i}$  stands for  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho_i}$ . The Gibbs-Duhem relation, determining the pressure, is given by

$$\rho_i \psi_i + p_i = \rho_i \mu_i. \tag{1.9}$$

Given equations (1.1)–(1.3) and the constitutive relations (1.5)–(1.9), one can derive the balance of the total entropy  $\rho \eta = \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j \eta_j$ , that reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\rho \eta) + \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j \eta_j v_j \right) &= \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \kappa \nabla \theta \right) + \frac{1}{\theta^2} \kappa |\nabla \theta|^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 + \frac{\rho r}{\theta} \end{aligned} \tag{1.10}$$

and a derivation of (1.10) can be found in [1, Sect. 5] or [7, Appendix C].

The above model was derived and studied in [2, 11] in the isothermal case and in [1] in a more general setting including chemical reactions and viscosity, in the case  $\epsilon = 1$ . It was further shown that, if we introduce the diffusional velocities  $u_i := v_i - v$ , (1.1)–(1.3) can be approximated by a simplified model ignoring terms of order  $|u_i|^2$ , which contains only the barycentric velocity  $v$  and the diffusional velocities  $u_i$  (and not the partial velocities  $v_i$ ). The approximate model, which is a Class-I model, reads:

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_i + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}) = -\operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i), \tag{1.11}$$

$$\partial_t(\bar{\rho} \bar{v}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho} \bar{v} \otimes \bar{v}) = \bar{\rho} \bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p}, \tag{1.12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \left( \bar{\rho} \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \right) + \operatorname{div} \left( (\bar{\rho} \bar{e} + \bar{p} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2) \bar{v} \right) &= \operatorname{div} \left( \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} - \sum_{j=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_j \bar{e}_j + \bar{p}_j) \bar{u}_j \right) \\ &+ \bar{\rho} \bar{r} + \bar{\rho} \bar{b} \cdot \bar{v} + \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{b}_j \cdot \bar{u}_j, \end{aligned} \tag{1.13}$$

where  $\bar{u}_i$  is determined by solving the Maxwell–Stefan system:

$$-\sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\theta} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{u}_i - \bar{u}_j) = \epsilon \left( \frac{\bar{\rho}_i}{\bar{\rho}} (\bar{\rho} \bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p}) - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i + \nabla \bar{p}_i \right), \tag{1.14}$$

subject to the constraint

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i = 0, \tag{1.15}$$

which ensures that the total mass density is conserved. The thermodynamics of the model is described by the same laws (1.5)–(1.9) and the entropy balance now takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\bar{\rho}\bar{\eta}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}\bar{\eta}\bar{v}) &= \operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{\theta}}\bar{\kappa}\nabla\bar{\theta} - \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j\bar{\eta}_j\bar{u}_j\right) + \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2}\bar{\kappa}|\nabla\bar{\theta}|^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\epsilon}\sum_{i=1}^n\sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij}\bar{\rho}_i\bar{\rho}_j|\bar{u}_i - \bar{u}_j|^2 + \frac{\bar{\rho}\bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.16}$$

The method used to derive the model (1.11)–(1.15) in [1] is of algebraic nature and tailored to the specific model. To provide a systematic method, the authors of [11] view this problem as a relaxation process in the collisional time  $\epsilon > 0$ : they rescale the last term in (1.2) (which corresponds to friction) and investigate the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  via a Chapman–Enskog expansion. As  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the friction forces the partial velocities  $v_i$  to align to a single velocity  $v$ , the barycentric velocity describing the motion of the center of mass, and the Class–I model emerges as the  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$ –approximation in the Chapman–Enskog expansion. The methodological approach of relative entropy was developed for hyperbolic conservation laws in [6] and generalized to hyperbolic/parabolic systems in [5]. It is used in [11] in order to compare dissipative weak solutions to the Class–II model with strong solutions to the Class–I model thus validating the Chapman–Enskog expansion.

Here, we employ a similar perspective in the context of non-isothermal models that include the balance of energy equation and entropy production inequality. As shown in [7], the Chapman–Enskog expansion applied to the Class–II model (1.1)–(1.3) produces at an  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$ –approximation the Class–I system (1.11)–(1.15), with the diffusional velocities  $u_i$  being of order  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ . We here develop a relative entropy identity for Class–II models and use it to justify the limiting process. This validates the high–friction limit in the weak–strong solution context, i.e. we compare a weak solution of the Class–II model with a strong solution of the Class–I model. It is shown that, as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the weak solution converges to the strong one, in the relative entropy sense. Such a result assumes that a strong solution to the Class–I model truly exists, which has been established near equilibrium, [9]. More precisely, there exists a unique strong solution to Class–I models, which is local–in–time for general initial data and can be extended for all positive times for initial data close to an equilibrium state (see [9, Chap. 9] for more details).

## 2 The Relative Entropy Inequality for Class–II Systems

Let  $\omega = (\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta)$  and  $\bar{\omega} = (\bar{\rho}_1, \dots, \bar{\rho}_n, \bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n, \bar{\theta})$  be two solutions of the Class–II system. Motivated by [5] and [7], we define the relative entropy of  $\omega$  and  $\bar{\omega}$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) + (\rho\eta - \bar{\rho}\bar{\eta})(\theta - \bar{\theta}) \right) dx \tag{2.1}$$

$$(\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) = \rho_i \psi_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i - (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) - (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}).$$

Throughout this paper, we use the convention  $\bar{f} = f(\bar{\omega})$  and therefore when we write  $\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i$ , we mean  $(\rho_i \psi_i)(\bar{\omega})$ , while  $(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i)_{\rho_i} = \frac{\partial(\rho_i \psi_i)}{\partial \rho_i} \Big|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}}$  and similarly  $(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\psi}_i)_{\theta} = \frac{\partial(\rho_i \psi_i)}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}}$ .

If  $\rho_i \psi_i$  are  $C^3$  on the set

$$U = \{0 \leq \rho_i \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \rho \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \theta \leq M, \quad \text{for some } \gamma, M > 0\},$$

such that

$$(\rho_i \psi_i)_{\rho_i \rho_i} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\rho_i \psi_i)_{\theta \theta} < 0, \tag{2.2}$$

then according to [7], there exists  $C > 0$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) + (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta})(\theta - \bar{\theta}) \geq C \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right). \tag{2.3}$$

Therefore, the relative entropy defined in (2.1) can serve as a measure of the distance between  $\omega$  and  $\bar{\omega}$ . We note, that the conditions in (2.2) (known as Gibbs thermodynamic stability conditions) are natural in thermodynamics, as they follow from the basic assumptions that the temperature is a strictly positive quantity and that the energy is a convex function of the entropy, satisfied for example for the ideal gas (for more details see [7, Appendix A]).

**Remark 1** The assumption  $\rho_i \psi_i \in C^3(U)$  does not cover many free energy functions that are useful. The interesting case of the ideal gas,

$$\psi_i = R_i \theta \log \rho_i - c_i \theta \log \theta, \quad \text{with } R_i, c_i > 0 \text{ constants,}$$

is not  $C^3$  unless both  $\rho_i$  and  $\theta$  are bounded away from zero, for instance on the set

$$\tilde{U} = \{0 < \gamma \leq \rho_i \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \rho \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \theta \leq M, \quad \text{for some } \gamma, M > 0\}.$$

We refer to [7, Chap. 5] for a detailed explanation on which term is problematic. We note the popular model of the ideal gas violates the third law of thermodynamics [3, Sect. 1.10, Sect. 3.4], namely that the entropy vanishes when the absolute temperature goes to zero.

Let

$$H(\omega|\bar{\omega}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{2} \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + (\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) + (\rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)(\theta - \bar{\theta}) \right]$$

and

$$Q(\omega|\bar{\omega}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{2} \rho_i v_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + (\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) v_i + (\rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)(\theta - \bar{\theta}) v_i + (p_i - \bar{p}_i)(v_i - \bar{v}_i) \right].$$

We want to obtain an identity of the form:

$$\partial_t H(\omega|\bar{\omega}) + \text{div } Q(\omega|\bar{\omega}) = \text{RHS}. \tag{2.4}$$

Carrying out the differentiations and using the equations (3.1), (3.5), (3.7) and (3.4), along with the thermodynamic relations (1.6)–(1.9), we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RHS} = & -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |(v_i - v_j) - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)|^2 - \bar{\theta} \kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 \\
 & - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i ((v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla) \bar{v}_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (b_i - \bar{b}_i) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \\
 & - \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) (\partial_s \bar{\theta} + \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} (\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i) + \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \\
 & + (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta} (\theta \bar{\kappa} - \bar{\theta} \kappa) + \operatorname{div} ((\theta - \bar{\theta}) (\kappa \nabla \log \theta - \bar{\kappa} \nabla \log \bar{\theta})) \\
 & - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i,
 \end{aligned}$$

where the relative quantities are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega}) &= p_i - \bar{p}_i - (\bar{p}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) - (\bar{p}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \\
 (\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) &= \rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i - (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) - (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}).
 \end{aligned}$$

The details of the computation proceed along the lines of [7, Appendix D] and are not presented here. While the computation there concerns Class-I models, the formal computation can be adapted to the present case of Class-II modes in a straightforward way. A rigorous derivation of (2.4) between a weak and a strong solution is presented in Sect. 3.3.

### 3 Asymptotic Derivation of Class-I Systems

The goal is to show how Class-I models are derived as asymptotic high-friction limits in a context of nonisothermal models. We proceed as follows: (i) First, we interpret a Class-I model as a Class-II system with error terms. (ii) Using the relative entropy formula we compare an exact solution to an approximate solution of a Class-II system. (iii) This needs to be done at some prescribed level of solutions; this is made precise in Sect. 3.2, in which we give the definitions of weak and strong solutions. (iv) Finally, the derivation of the convergence result is done in Sects. 3.3 and 3.4.

### 3.1 Reformulation of the Class-I Model

First, we embed a solution of a Class-I model into an approximate solution of a Class-II model. The equations of the Class-II model contain the partial velocities  $v_i$ , while the equations of the Class-I model contain the barycentric velocity  $v$  and the diffusional velocities  $u_i$ .

Let  $(\bar{\rho}_1, \dots, \bar{\rho}_n, \bar{v}, \bar{\theta})$  be a solution of (1.11)–(1.13). Then we set

$$\bar{v}_i = \bar{v} + \bar{u}_i$$

and (1.11)–(1.13) and (1.16) read:

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho}_i + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) = 0 \tag{3.1}$$

$$\partial_t(\bar{\rho} \bar{v}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho} \bar{v} \otimes \bar{v}) = \bar{\rho} \bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p} \tag{3.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \left( \bar{\rho} \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \right) + \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_j \bar{e}_j + \bar{p}_j) \bar{v}_j + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \bar{v} \right) \\ = \operatorname{div}(\bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{b}_j \cdot \bar{v}_j + \bar{\rho} \bar{r}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) + \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{\eta}_j \bar{v}_j \right) = \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\theta^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 + \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\theta}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Next, we rewrite (3.2) and (3.3) in a form that resembles the equations of the Class-II model. We reformulate (3.2) as:

$$\partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i \otimes \bar{v}_i) = \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i - \nabla \bar{p}_i - \frac{\bar{\theta}}{\epsilon} \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) + \bar{R}_i, \tag{3.5}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_i = \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}) + \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{v}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{u}_i) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{v}) \\ + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{u}_i) - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i + \nabla \bar{p}_i + \frac{\bar{\theta}}{\epsilon} \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j). \end{aligned}$$

Using (1.14), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_i = \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}) + \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{v}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{u}_i) \\ + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{v}) + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{u}_i) - \frac{\bar{\rho}_i}{\bar{\rho}} (\bar{\rho} \bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p}) \end{aligned}$$

and by virtue of  $\partial_t \bar{\rho} + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}\bar{v}) = 0$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}) + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{v}) &= (\partial_t \bar{\rho}_i + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}))\bar{v} + \bar{\rho}_i(\partial_t \bar{v} + (\bar{v} \cdot \nabla)\bar{v}) \\ &= -\text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i)\bar{v} + \frac{\bar{\rho}_i}{\bar{\rho}}(\partial_t(\bar{\rho}\bar{v}) + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}\bar{v} \otimes \bar{v})) \\ &= -\text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i)\bar{v} + \frac{\bar{\rho}_i}{\bar{\rho}}(\bar{\rho}\bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p}) \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$\bar{R}_i = -\text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i)\bar{v} + \partial_t(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i) + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{v} \otimes \bar{u}_i) + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{v}) + \text{div}(\bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i \otimes \bar{u}_i). \tag{3.6}$$

Similarly, we reformulate (3.3) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \left( \bar{\rho}\bar{e} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) + \text{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \bar{\rho}_j \bar{e}_j + \bar{p}_j + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) \bar{v}_j \right) \\ = \text{div}(\bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{b}_j \cdot \bar{v}_j + \bar{\rho}\bar{r} + \bar{Q}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{Q} &= -\partial_t \left( \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \right) - \text{div} \left( \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \bar{v} \right) + \partial_t \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) + \text{div} \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \bar{v}_j \right) \\ &= \partial_t \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2 \right) + \text{div} \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2 \bar{u}_j \right) + \text{div} \left( \frac{3}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2 \bar{v} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

because due to (1.15)

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \bar{v}_j - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \bar{v}^2 \bar{v} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2 \bar{u}_j + \frac{3}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j^2 \bar{v}.$$

The equations of the Class-I model are thus reformulated as equations of a Class-II model (namely equations (3.1), (3.5), (3.7)), with the terms  $\bar{R}_i$  and  $\bar{Q}$  given by (3.6) and (3.8), respectively. The latter are viewed as error terms. The Maxwell–Stefan system

$$\begin{aligned} -\sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\theta} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{u}_i - \bar{u}_j) &= \epsilon \left( \frac{\bar{\rho}_i}{\bar{\rho}} (\bar{\rho}\bar{b} - \nabla \bar{p}) - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i + \nabla \bar{p}_i \right) \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{u}_j &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$



is uniquely solvable [8, 11], which implies  $\bar{u}_i = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$  and thus for smooth solutions  $\bar{R}_i$  and  $\bar{Q}$  are of order  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  respectively.

### 3.2 Notions of Solutions

In the following, we give the definitions of solutions that will be used. We use the notation  $\omega = ((\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta))$ .

**Definition 2** A function  $(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta)$  is called a weak solution of the Class-II model (1.1)–(1.3), if for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \rho_i &\in C^0([0, \infty); L^1(\mathbb{T}^3)), \quad \rho_i v_i \in C^0([0, \infty); L^1(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3)), \\ \rho_i v_i \otimes v_i &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3), \quad p_i \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)), \\ \rho_i b_i &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3), \\ 0 < \theta &\in C^0([0, \infty); L^1(\mathbb{T}^3)), \quad (\rho_i e_i + \frac{1}{2} \rho_i v_i^2) \in C^0([0, \infty); L^1(\mathbb{T}^3)), \\ (\rho_i e_i + p_i + \frac{1}{2} \rho_i v_i^2) v_i &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3), \quad \kappa \nabla \theta \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3), \\ (\rho_i b_i \cdot v_i + \rho r) &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)), \quad \theta \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3) \end{aligned}$$

and  $(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta)$  solves for all test functions  $\psi_i, \xi \in C_c^\infty([0, \infty); C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3))$  and  $\phi_i \in C_c^\infty([0, \infty); C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3; \mathbb{R}^3))$ :

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i(x, 0) \psi_i(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i \partial_t \psi_i dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i v_i \cdot \nabla \psi_i dx dt &= 0, \tag{3.10} \\ - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i)(x, 0) \phi_i(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i v_i \cdot \partial_t \phi_i dx dt \\ - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i + p_i \mathbb{I}) : \nabla \phi_i dx dt &\tag{3.11} \\ = \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i b_i \phi_i dx dt - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \theta \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \phi_i dx dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2)(x, 0) \xi(x, 0) dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2) \partial_t \xi dx dt \\ - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{j=1}^n (\rho_j e_j + p_j + \frac{1}{2} \rho_j v_j^2) v_j \cdot \nabla \xi dx dt = - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \kappa \nabla \theta \cdot \nabla \xi dx dt \tag{3.12} \\ + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j b_j \cdot v_j + \rho r) \xi dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3** A function  $(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta)$  is called an entropy weak solution of the Class-II model (1.1)–(1.3), if it is a weak solution according to Definition 2 with the additional regularity

$$\begin{aligned} \rho\eta &\in C^0([0, \infty); L^1(\mathbb{T}^3)), \quad \rho_i\eta_i v_i \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3), \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ \kappa \nabla \log \theta &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty); \mathbb{R}^3), \quad \kappa |\nabla \log \theta|^2 \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)), \\ \frac{\rho r}{\theta} &\in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)), \quad \sum_{i,j} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{T}^3 \times [0, \infty)) \end{aligned}$$

that satisfies the weak form of the integrated entropy inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &-\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho\eta)(x, 0) \chi(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho\eta \partial_t \chi dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j \eta_j v_j \cdot \nabla \chi dx dt \\ &\geq -\int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\theta} \kappa \nabla \theta \cdot \nabla \chi dx dt + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\theta^2} \kappa |\nabla \theta|^2 \chi dx dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 \chi dx dt + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\rho r}{\theta} \chi dx dt, \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

holds for all test functions  $\chi \in C_c^\infty([0, \infty); C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^3))$ , with  $\chi \geq 0$ .

**Definition 4** A function  $(\bar{\rho}_1, \dots, \bar{\rho}_n, \bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n, \bar{\theta})$  is called a strong solution of the Class-I model (1.11)–(1.15), if (1.11)–(1.16) hold almost everywhere on  $\mathbb{T}^3$  and for all  $t > 0$ .

### 3.3 Derivation of the Relative Entropy Inequality

Next, we derive the relative entropy inequality comparing a weak with a strong solution:

**Proposition 5** *Let  $\omega$  be an entropy weak solution of the Class-II model (1.1)–(1.3) and  $\bar{\omega}$  a strong solution of the Class-I model (1.11)–(1.16). Then, the following relative entropy inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |(v_i - v_j) - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)|^2 dx ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} \kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 dx ds \leq \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i ((v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla) \bar{v}_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i (b_i - \bar{b}_i) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) (\partial_s \bar{\theta} + \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta}) dx ds + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{R}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} (\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i) dx ds - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta} (\theta \bar{\kappa} - \bar{\theta} \kappa) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{Q} dx ds \tag{3.14} \\
 & - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

holds for every  $t > 0$ , where  $\bar{R}_i$  and  $\bar{Q}$  are given by (3.6) and (3.8).

**Remark 6** The proof is done for periodic entropy weak solutions defined on  $\mathbb{T}^3 \times (0, \infty)$ . The same proof would carry over to solutions defined on a bounded domain  $\Omega \times (0, \infty)$  that satisfy the no-flux boundary conditions (1.4). Concerning solutions of Class-II models defined on the whole space  $\mathbb{R}^3 \times (0, \infty)$ , the reader will note that the integrals in the relative entropy identity (3.14) are still well defined for classical solutions that approach the same constant states  $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{v}_i, \bar{\theta})$  at infinity, provided the functions decay sufficiently fast to the constant state as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ . For such classical solutions one can still derive the relative entropy inequality and it would be useful if the error terms  $\bar{R}_i$  and  $\bar{Q}$  are integrable.

**Proof** Multiply (3.1), (3.5), (3.7) and (3.4) by the test functions  $\psi_i, \phi_i, \xi, \chi$  respectively, as in the weak formulation of the equations of the Class-II model, integrate them over  $\mathbb{T}^3 \times (0, \infty)$  and subtract them from (3.10)–(3.13), in order to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i)(x, 0) \psi_i(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \partial_t \psi_i dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \\
 & \quad - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \psi_i dx dt = 0, \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i)(x, 0) \phi_i(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \partial_t \phi_i dx dt \\
 & - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i + p_i \mathbb{I} - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i \otimes \bar{v}_i - \bar{p}_i \mathbb{I}) : \nabla \phi_i dx dt = \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i b_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i) \cdot \phi_i dx dt \\
 & - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \theta \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) - \bar{\theta} \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \right) \cdot \phi_i dx dt \\
 & - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{R}_i \cdot \phi_i dx dt,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2 - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) (x, 0) \xi(x, 0) dx \\
 & - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2 - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) \partial_t \xi dx dt \\
 & + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\kappa \nabla \theta - \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \xi dx dt \\
 & - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{j=1}^n \left( (\rho_j e_j + p_j + \frac{1}{2} \rho_j v_j^2) v_j - (\bar{\rho}_j \bar{e}_j + \bar{p}_j + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2) \bar{v}_j \right) \cdot \nabla \xi dx dt \\
 & = \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho r + \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j b_j \cdot v_j - \bar{\rho} \bar{r} - \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{b}_j \cdot \bar{v}_j \right) \xi dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{Q} \xi dx dt
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta})(x, 0) \chi(x, 0) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \partial_t \chi dx dt \\
 & - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{j=1}^n (\rho_j \eta_j v_j - \bar{\rho}_j \bar{\eta}_j \bar{v}_j) \cdot \nabla \chi dx dt \geq - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \kappa \nabla \theta - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \right) \cdot \nabla \chi dx dt \\
 & + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 \right) \chi dx dt \\
 & + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta^2} \kappa |\nabla \theta|^2 - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) \chi dx dt + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) \chi dx dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

We choose the test functions  $\psi_i = (\bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2) \zeta$ ,  $\phi_i = \bar{v}_i \zeta$ ,  $\xi = -\zeta$  and  $\chi = \bar{\theta} \zeta$  where

$$\zeta(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq s < t \\ \frac{t-s}{\delta} + 1 & t \leq s < t + \delta, \\ 0 & s \geq t + \delta \end{cases}$$

and let  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i)(x, 0) \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) (x, 0) dx - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \partial_s \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) dx ds \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) dx = 0, \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i)(x, 0) \bar{v}_i(x, 0) dx - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \partial_s \bar{v}_i dx ds + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \bar{v}_i dx \\
 & - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i + p_i \mathbb{I} - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i \otimes \bar{v}_i - \bar{p}_i \mathbb{I}) : \nabla \bar{v}_i dx ds = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i b_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \theta \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) - \bar{\theta} \sum_{j \neq i} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \right) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx ds \\
 & - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{R}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx ds, \\
 & \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2 - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) (x, 0) \, dx \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j v_j^2 - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{v}_j^2 \right) \, dx \\
 & = - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho r + \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j b_j \cdot v_j - \bar{\rho} \bar{r} - \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\rho}_j \bar{b}_j \cdot \bar{v}_j \right) \, dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{Q} \, dx ds \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta})(x, 0) \bar{\theta}(x, 0) \, dx - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} \, dx ds + \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \bar{\theta} \, dx \\
 & - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{j=1}^n (\rho_j \eta_j v_j - \bar{\rho}_j \bar{\eta}_j \bar{v}_j) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \, dx ds \geq - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \kappa \nabla \theta - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \right) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \, dx ds \\
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 \right) \bar{\theta} \, dx ds \\
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta^2} \kappa |\nabla \theta|^2 - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) \bar{\theta} \, dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) \bar{\theta} \, dx ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, summing everything up and by virtue of the computation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \bar{v}_i \\
 & + \left( \rho e + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i v_i^2 - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i^2 \right) \\
 & - (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \bar{\theta} = - \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{\mu}_i \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \bar{v}_i^2 - 2\rho_i v_i \cdot \bar{v}_i + \rho_i v_i^2) + (\rho e - \bar{\rho} \bar{e}) - (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \bar{\theta} \\
 & = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \psi_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) + \rho e - \bar{\rho} \bar{e} - \rho \eta \bar{\theta} + \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta} \bar{\theta} \\
 & = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \psi_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) + (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta})(\theta - \bar{\theta}) = \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})
 \end{aligned}$$

one gets the inequality:

$$\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) \leq \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) + I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 + I_5 + I_6 + I_7$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \cdot \partial_s \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) dx ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \partial_s \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho \eta - \bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds, \\ I_2 &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \left( \bar{\mu}_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i^2 \right) dx ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \otimes v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i \otimes \bar{v}_i) : \nabla \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i v_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i \bar{\eta}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds, \\ I_3 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 dx ds \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 dx ds, \\ I_4 &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \kappa \nabla \theta - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \right) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{1}{\theta^2} \kappa |\nabla \theta|^2 - \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) \bar{\theta} dx ds, \\ I_5 &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i b_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \rho r + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i b_i \cdot v_i - \bar{\rho} \bar{r} - \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{b}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i \right) dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) \bar{\theta} dx ds, \\ I_6 &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (p_i - \bar{p}_i) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i dx ds \end{aligned}$$

$$I_7 = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{R}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{Q} dx ds$$

and the plan is to rearrange the above terms in five steps.

*Step 1: We rearrange the terms  $I_1, I_2$  and  $I_6$ . We start with  $I_1$  and carry out the following calculation:*

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) ((\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \partial_s \bar{\rho}_i + (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\theta} \partial_s \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \partial_s \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds \\ &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) ((\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \partial_s \bar{\rho}_i + (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\theta} \partial_s \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \partial_s \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i) (\omega|\bar{\omega}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds \end{aligned}$$

and since

$$(\rho_i \eta_i)_{\rho_i} = -(\rho_i \psi_i)_{\rho_i} = -((\rho_i \psi_i)_{\rho_i})_{\theta} = -(\mu_i)_{\theta} \tag{3.15}$$

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \partial_s \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i) (\omega|\bar{\omega}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \partial_s \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \partial_s \bar{\rho}_i dx ds \\ &=: I_{11} + \dots + I_{14}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_{13} &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \partial_s (\bar{\rho} \bar{\eta}) (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \partial_s \bar{\rho}_i dx ds \\ &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i \bar{v}_i \right) (\theta - \bar{\theta}) + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \cdot \nabla (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \nabla \bar{\rho}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \end{aligned}$$

$$- \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \bar{\rho}_i \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds =: I_{131} + \dots + I_{137}$$

and we have used (3.1) and (3.4) and an integration by parts in the term  $I_{132}$ .

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} I_{131} &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i) \cdot \bar{v}_i (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds \\ &=: I_{1311} + I_{1312}. \end{aligned}$$

Again using (3.1),

$$\begin{aligned} I_{14} &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \nabla \bar{\rho}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \bar{\rho}_i \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\theta} \nabla \bar{\theta} \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\rho_i} \bar{\rho}_i \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds =: I_{141} + \dots + I_{143}. \end{aligned}$$

We now write  $I_2$  as

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

and if we add and subtract the term with the relative pressure:

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i (\omega | \bar{\omega}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{p}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{p}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i v_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (p_i - \bar{p}_i) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\ &=: I_{21} + \dots + I_{28}, \end{aligned}$$



where  $I_{28}$  cancels out with  $I_6$ , while

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{27} &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i) \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \eta_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds \\
 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i) (\omega | \bar{\omega}) \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\rho_i} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds \\
 &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \eta_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds \\
 &=: I_{271} + \dots + I_{274}
 \end{aligned}$$

and thus  $I_{272}$  cancels out with  $I_{142}$  and  $I_{1311}$  cancels out with  $I_{136}$  and  $I_{273}$ . Furthermore, due to

$$\nabla p_i = \rho_i \nabla \mu_i + \rho_i \eta_i \nabla \theta \tag{3.16}$$

which can be obtained by applying the gradient operator to (1.9) and using (1.7) and (1.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{21} &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \cdot (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) v_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \cdot \bar{\rho}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \cdot (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \bar{\mu}_i \cdot (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i \nabla \bar{\theta} \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \bar{p}_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 &=: I_{211} + \dots + I_{214},
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $I_{212}$  cancels out with  $I_{141}$  and

$$I_{213} + I_{274} = - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i - \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\eta}_i) (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds.$$

Regarding  $I_{11}$ , using (3.5) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{11} &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{b}_i dx ds \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{p}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds =: I_{111} + \dots + I_{115}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $I_{111}$  cancels out with  $I_{23}$  and

$$I_{214} + I_{113} = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}_i} \nabla \bar{p}_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i)(\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i),$$

which combined with  $I_{211}$  gives, due to (3.16),

$$I_{214} + I_{113} + I_{211} = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\eta}_i (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i)(v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} dx ds$$

and hence

$$I_{214} + I_{113} + I_{211} + I_{213} + I_{274} = - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} (\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i) dx ds.$$

Finally, (1.5)–(1.8) imply

$$(p_i)_{\rho_i} = \rho_i (\mu_i)_{\rho_i} \tag{3.17}$$

$$(p_i)_{\theta} = \rho_i \eta_i + \rho_i (\mu_i)_{\theta} \tag{3.18}$$

and due to (3.18),

$$I_{1312} + I_{26} = - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\rho}_i (\bar{\mu}_i)_{\theta} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i dx ds$$

which cancels out with  $I_{137}$ , because of (3.15), while due to (3.17),  $I_{25}$  cancels out with  $I_{143}$ .

Putting together  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$  and  $I_6$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 + I_2 + I_6 = & - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i dx ds - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{v}_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{b}_i dx ds \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega})(\partial_s \bar{\theta} + \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta}) dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \cdot \nabla (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} (\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\ & - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

The rest of the steps consist in combining the terms on the right–hand–side of (3.19) with  $I_3$ ,  $I_4$ ,  $I_5$  and  $I_7$ :

Step 2: Combine  $I_3$  with the last and third-to-last term on the right-hand-side of (3.19). We start by noticing that

$$I_3 = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 dx ds.$$

The reason is that due to the symmetry of  $b_{ij}$

$$-\frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 dx ds$$

and thus the second and fourth terms of  $I_3$  cancel out with each other. Therefore, we have:

$$F := I_3 + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 dx ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \theta \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 dx ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} \bar{\theta} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 dx ds =: F_1 + \dots + F_5$$

and we start by collecting only the terms that are multiplied by  $\bar{\theta}$ :

$$F_2 + F_5 + F_3 = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j|^2 dx ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j |\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j|^2 dx ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds =: f_1 + \dots + f_5,
 \end{aligned}$$

where the last two terms are added and subtracted.

Now, write the third term as

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_3 &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \rho_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds =: f_{31} + f_{32}
 \end{aligned}$$

and combine  $f_{32}$  with  $f_4$ , in order to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_4 + f_{32} &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot ((v_i - v_j) - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)) dx ds \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |(v_i - v_j) - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)|^2 dx ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we write

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds, \\
 F_4 &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds, \\
 f_1 &= -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot v_i dx ds, \\
 f_2 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds, \\
 f_5 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 & - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$F_1 + F_4 + f_1 + f_2 + f_5 = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - v_j) \cdot v_i dx ds \\
 & +\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & +\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds
 \end{aligned}$$

and, due to symmetry,

$$-\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_j dx ds,$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 + F_4 + f_1 + f_2 + f_5 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_j dx ds - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \theta b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot v_i dx ds + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot v_j dx ds \\
 & +\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & +\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_j \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds
 \end{aligned}$$

and a rearrangement of the terms gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 + F_4 + f_1 + f_2 + f_5 &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j v_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j \bar{v}_i \cdot \bar{v}_j dx ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{v}_j \, dx \, ds \\
 & -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \bar{\rho}_i \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\
 & = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 F & = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |(v_i - v_j) - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)|^2 \, dx \, ds \\
 & - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} (\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i) \bar{\rho}_j (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\theta - \bar{\theta}) b_{ij} \rho_i (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) \cdot \bar{v}_i \, dx \, ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Step 3: Combine  $I_4$  with the sixth and eighth term on the right-hand-side of (3.19):*

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_4 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\theta} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \bar{\theta} \cdot \nabla (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{\bar{\theta}^2} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \bar{\theta}|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds \\
 & = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\kappa \nabla \log \theta - \bar{\kappa} \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\kappa |\nabla \log \theta|^2 - \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2) \bar{\theta} \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\kappa} \nabla \log \bar{\theta} \cdot (\nabla \theta - \nabla \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\kappa} |\nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \, dx \, ds \\
 & = - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} \kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 \, dx \, ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} \kappa \, dx \, ds \\
 & + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta} \bar{\kappa} \, dx \, ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} \kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 dx ds \\
 &\quad - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta} (\theta \bar{\kappa} - \bar{\theta} \kappa) dx ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Combine  $I_5$  with the fourth and tenth terms on the right-hand-side of (3.19):

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_5 &- \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{b}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds \\
 &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (b_i - \bar{b}_i) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \frac{\rho r}{\theta} - \frac{\bar{\rho} \bar{r}}{\bar{\theta}} \right) (\theta - \bar{\theta}) dx ds
 \end{aligned}$$

and finally,

Step 5: Combine  $I_7$  with the second term on the right-hand-side of (3.19):

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_7 &- \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds \\
 &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{R}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{Q} dx ds - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting everything together, we arrive at (3.14). □

### 3.4 Validation of the High-Friction Limit

A careful estimation of the terms on the right-hand side of (3.14) implies the following theorem:

**Theorem 7** *Let  $\omega$  be an entropy weak solution of the Class-II model (1.1)–(1.3) and  $\bar{\omega}$  a strong solution of the Class-I model (1.11)–(1.15). We assume that the weak solution satisfies*

$$0 \leq \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \rho \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \theta \leq M$$

and the strong solution satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 < \gamma \leq \bar{\rho}_1, \dots, \bar{\rho}_n \leq M, \quad |\bar{v}_1|, \dots, |\bar{v}_n| \leq M, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq \bar{\theta} \leq M \\
 |\nabla \bar{v}_1|, \dots, |\nabla \bar{v}_n| \leq M, \quad |\partial_t \bar{\theta}| \leq M, \quad |\nabla \bar{\theta}| \leq M
 \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma, M > 0$ . Moreover, assume that  $\kappa$  and  $\frac{\rho r}{\theta}$  are Lipschitz functions of  $(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, \theta)$ , with  $\kappa$  bounded away from zero,  $b_i$  are Lipschitz functions of  $(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n, v_1, \dots, v_n, \theta)$ , for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and the free energy functions  $\rho_i \psi_i \in C^3(U)$  satisfy (2.2), for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then, if the initial data are such that  $\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we have that  $\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) \rightarrow 0$ , for all  $t > 0$ , as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

**Remark 8** In the case of the ideal gas, Theorem 7 is still valid under the additional assumption  $0 < \gamma \leq \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n \leq M$  (see Remark 1 or [7, Sect. 5] for more details).

**Proof** Having obtained the relative entropy inequality (3.14), Theorem 7 is a direct application of Young’s inequality and Grönwall’s Lemma. In particular, we estimate each term on the right-hand side of (3.14), as follows:

We start by noticing that, according to [7, Lemma 4.1], due to the smoothness of the free energy and the bounds on the strong solution, we have the following bounds:

$$|p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega})| \leq C (|\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2)$$

and

$$|(\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega})| \leq C (|\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2),$$

which imply that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i \eta_i)(\omega|\bar{\omega}) (\partial_s \bar{\theta} + \bar{v}_i \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta}) dx ds \right| \\ & \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left| - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i(\omega|\bar{\omega}) \operatorname{div} \bar{v}_i dx ds \right| \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds.$$

Again by the smoothness of the free energy, and thus the entropy, we obtain

$$|\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i| \leq C (|\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i| + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|)$$

and thus by Young’s inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \nabla \bar{\theta} (\eta_i - \bar{\eta}_i) dx ds \right| \\ & \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by Young’s inequality and the Lipschitz continuity of  $b_i$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i (b_i - \bar{b}_i) \cdot (v_i - \bar{v}_i) dx ds \right| \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (\rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + \rho_i |b_i - \bar{b}_i|^2) dx ds \\ & \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\left| - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} (\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta} (\theta \bar{\kappa} - \bar{\theta} \bar{\kappa}) dx ds \right|$$



$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\sqrt{\bar{\theta}}\sqrt{\kappa}(\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta}(\kappa - \bar{\kappa}) \frac{\theta}{\sqrt{\bar{\theta}\kappa}}| dx ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} |\sqrt{\bar{\theta}}\sqrt{\kappa}(\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}) \cdot \nabla \log \bar{\theta}(\theta - \bar{\theta}) \frac{\sqrt{\kappa}}{\sqrt{\bar{\theta}}}| dx ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta}\kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 dx ds + C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds \end{aligned}$$

by Young’s inequality, the lower bounds of  $\bar{\theta}$  and  $\kappa$  and the Lipschitz continuity of  $\kappa$ .

Also, by (3.6) and  $\sum_i \bar{\rho}_i \bar{u}_i = 0$ , we have  $\bar{R}_i = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ ,  $\sum_i \bar{R}_i = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  and  $\bar{Q} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$ . Thus,  $\sum_i \bar{R}_i \bar{v}_i = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  and

$$\left| \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{R}_i \cdot \bar{v}_i - \bar{Q} \right) dx ds \right| \leq \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot \bar{R}_i dx ds \right| \\ &\quad \leq C \left( \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 dx ds + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i \frac{\bar{R}_i^2}{\bar{\rho}_i^2} dx ds \right) \\ &\quad \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 dx ds + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2). \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i (v_i - \bar{v}_i) \cdot (\rho_j - \bar{\rho}_j) (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) dx ds \right| \\ &\quad \leq C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 \right) dx ds \end{aligned}$$

and  $C$  does not depend on  $\epsilon$ , because  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}(\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j) = \mathcal{O}(1)$  and the remaining terms are treated in a similar fashion.

Putting everything together, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta} b_{ij} \rho_i \rho_j |v_i - v_j - (\bar{v}_i - \bar{v}_j)|^2 dx ds \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \bar{\theta}\kappa |\nabla \log \theta - \nabla \log \bar{\theta}|^2 dx ds \leq \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) \tag{3.20} \\ &\quad + C \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), \end{aligned}$$

where by virtue of (2.1) and (2.3),

$$\int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho_i - \bar{\rho}_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i |v_i - \bar{v}_i|^2 + |\theta - \bar{\theta}|^2 \right) dx ds \leq C \int_0^t \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(s) ds.$$

The dissipation terms on the left-hand side of (3.20) are non-negative and thus can be neglected, yielding

$$\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) \leq [\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)] + C \int_0^t \mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(s) ds,$$

where  $C > 0$  is independent of  $\epsilon$ .

By Grönwall's Lemma

$$\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) \leq [\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)] e^{Ct},$$

where  $C > 0$  does not depend on  $\epsilon$ . Letting  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(0) \rightarrow 0$  and thus  $\mathcal{H}(\omega|\bar{\omega})(t) \rightarrow 0$ , for all  $t > 0$  and the proof is completed.  $\square$

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