Existence and Asymptotic Behavior of Global Solutions bf for Some Nonlinear Petrovsky System

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Abstract

The initial-boundary value problem for some nonlinear Petrovsky system with viscoelastic term in bounded domain is studied. The existence of global solutions for this problem is proved by constructing a stable set in $H_0^2(\Omega)$ and the decay of solution energy is established by applying a difference inequality due to M.Nakao.

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1 Introduction

In this paper, we are concerned with the following initial-boundary value problem of nonlinear Petrovsky system

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} + \Delta^2 u - \int_0^t g(t-s)\Delta^2 u(s)ds + a|u_t|^m u_t \\ = b|u|^p u, \quad (x,t) \in \Omega \times R^+, \\ u(x,0) = u_0(x) \in H_0^2(\Omega), \ u_t(x,0) = u_1(x) \in L^2(\Omega), \quad x \in \Omega, \\ u(x,t) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu}(x,t) = 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, t \ge 0, \end{cases}$$
(1.1)

where $m \ge 0$, p > 0 and a, b > 0 are real numbers, Ω is a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^n with smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$ so that the divergence theorem can be applied, ν is unit outward normal on $\partial\Omega$, and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu}$ denotes the normal derivation of u.

A.Guesmia [1] considered the equation

$$u_{tt} + \Delta^2 u + q(x)u + f(u_t) = 0, \quad x \in \Omega, \ t > 0,$$
(1.2)

where f is a continuous and increasing function with f(0) = 0, and $q: \Omega \longrightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is a bounded function, and he proved a global existence and a regularity result of the equation (1.2) with initial-boundary value conditions. Under suitable growth conditions on f, he also established decay results for weak and strong solutions. In addition, results similar to above system, coupled with a semi-linear wave equation, are also established by A.Guesmia [2]. As $q(x)u+f(u_t)$ in (1.2) is replaced by $\Delta^2 u_t + \Delta f(\Delta u)$, M.Aassila and A.Guesmia [3] obtained an exponential decay theorem through the use of an important lemma of V.Komornik [4]. S.A. Messaoudi [5] set up an existence result of the initial-boundary value problem of equation

$$u_{tt} + \Delta^2 u + a |u_t|^m u_t = b |u|^p u, \tag{1.3}$$

and showed that the solution continues to exist globally if $m \ge p$; however, it blows up in finite time if m < p. S.T.Wu and L.Y.Tsai [6] also study the problem (1.3), they showed that the solution is global in time under some conditions without the relation between m and p. They also proved the local solution blows up in finite time if p > m and the initial energy is positive.

In this paper, we prove the global existence for the problem (1.1) by constructing a stable set in $H_0^2(\Omega)$ and the decay of solution energy by applying a difference inequality due to M.Nakao.

We adopt the usual notations and convention. Let $H^2(\Omega)$ denote the Sobolev space with the usual scalar products and norm. Meanwhile, $H_0^2(\Omega)$ denotes the closure in $H^2(\Omega)$ of $C_0^{\infty}(\Omega)$. For simplicity of notations, hereafter we denote by $\|\cdot\|_s$ the Lebesgue space $L^s(\Omega)$ norm and $\|\cdot\|$ denotes $L^2(\Omega)$ norm, we write equivalent norm $\|\Delta \cdot\|$ instead of $H_0^2(\Omega)$ norm $\|\cdot\|_{H_0^2(\Omega)}$. Moreover, C_i $(i = 1, 2, \cdots)$ denote various positive constants which depend on the known constants and may be difference at each appearance.

2 Preliminaries

To prove our main results, we make the following assumptions.

(A1) $g: \mathbb{R}^+ \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is a bounded \mathbb{C}^1 function which satisfies

$$g(s) > 0, g'(s) \le 0, l = 1 - \int_0^{+\infty} g(s)ds > 0,$$

and there exist positive constants η_1 and η_2 such that

$$-\eta_1 g(t) \le g'(t) \le -\eta_2 g(t).$$

(A2) Supposed that p and m satisfy the following conditions:

$$2 \le p < +\infty, \ n \le 4; \ 2 < p \le \frac{4}{n-4}, \ n > 4.$$
 (2.1)

$$2 \le m < +\infty, \ n \le 4; \ 2 < m \le \frac{8}{n-4}, \ n > 4.$$
 (2.2)

Now, we define the following functionals:

$$J(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s) ds \right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} (g \circ \Delta u)(t) - \frac{b}{p+2} \|u\|_{p+2}^{p+2},$$
(2.3)

$$K(t) = \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) - b\|u\|_{p+2}^{p+2},$$
(2.4)

for $u \in H_0^2(\Omega)$, where

$$(g \circ \Delta u)(t) = \int_0^t g(t-s) \|\Delta u(s) - \Delta u(t)\|^2 ds$$

Then we introduce the stable set W by

$$W = \{ u \in H_0^2(\Omega) : \quad K(t) > 0 \} \cup \{ 0 \}.$$
(2.5)

We denote the total energy related to the equation (1.1) by

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} ||u_t||^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s) ds \right) ||\Delta u||^2 + \frac{1}{2} (g \circ \Delta u)(t) - \frac{b}{p+2} ||u||_{p+2}^{p+2} = \frac{1}{2} ||u_t||^2 + J(t)$$
(2.6)

for $u \in H_0^2(\Omega)$, $t \ge 0$ and $E(0) = \frac{1}{2}||u_1||^2 + J(0)$ is the initial total energy. For latter applications, we list up some lemmas.

Lemma 2.1 Let s be a number with $2 \le s < +\infty$ if $n \le 4$ and $2 \le s \le \frac{2n}{n-4}$ if n > 4. Then there is a constant B_1 depending on Ω and s such that

$$||u||_s \le B_1 ||\Delta u||, \ \forall u \in H^2_0(\Omega).$$

Lemma 2.2 Supposing that (A1) holds and that u(t) is a solution to the problem (1.1), then E(t) is a non-increasing function for t > 0 and

$$E'(t) = \frac{1}{2}(g' \circ \Delta u)(t) - \frac{1}{2}g(t)\|\Delta u\|^2 - a\|u_t\|_{m+2}^{m+2} \le 0.$$
(2.7)

Proof Multiplying the equation in (1.1) by u_t , and integrating over $\Omega \times [0, t]$. Then we get from integrating by parts that

$$E(t) = E(0) + \int_0^t \left[\frac{1}{2}(g' \circ \Delta u)(s) - \frac{1}{2}g(s)\|\Delta u\|^2 - a\|u_t\|_{m+2}^{m+2}\right]ds$$
(2.8)

for $t \geq 0$. Being the primitive of an integrable function, E(t) is absolutely continuous and equality (2.7) is satisfied.

We conclude this section by stating a local existence result of the problem (1.1), which can be established by combination of the arguments in [5, 7]. The readers are also referred to the references [8, 9].

Theorem 2.1(Local existence) Assuming that (A1) and (A2) hold, if $(u_0, u_1) \in H^2_0(\Omega) \times$ $L^2(\Omega)$. Then there exists T > 0 such that the problem (1.1) has a unique local solution u(t)which satisfies

$$u \in C([0,T); H_0^2(\Omega)), \quad u_t \in C([0,T); L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^{m+2}(\Omega \times [0,T)).$$

3 Global Solutions

To prove the global existence of solution to the problem (1.1), we need the following lemmas:

Lemma 3.1 Supposing that (A1) and (A2) hold, then

$$\frac{p}{2(p+2)} \left[\left(1 - \int_0^t g(s) ds \right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) \right] \le J(t),$$
(3.1)

for $u \in W$.

Proof By the definition of K(t) and J(t), we have the following identity

$$(p+2)J(t) = K(t) + \frac{p}{2} \left[\left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds \right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) \right].$$
(3.2)

Since $u \in W$, so we get $K(t) \ge 0$. Therefore, we obtain from (3.2) that (3.1) is valid.

Lemma 3.2 Let (A1) and (A2) hold, if $u_0 \in W$ and $u_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ such that

$$\theta = \frac{bB_1^{p+2}}{l} \left[\frac{2(p+2)}{pl} E(0) \right]^{\frac{p}{2}} < 1,$$
(3.3)

then $u(t) \in W$, for each $t \in [0, T)$.

Proof Since $u_0 \in W$, so K(0) > 0. Then it follows from the continuity of u(t) that

$$K(t) \ge 0, \tag{3.4}$$

for some interval near t = 0. Let $t_{\text{max}} > 0$ be a maximal time (possibly $t_{\text{max}} = T$) when (3.4) holds on $[0, t_{\text{max}})$.

We have from (2.6) and (3.1) that

$$\frac{p}{2(p+2)} \left[\left(1 - \int_0^t g(s) ds \right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) \right] \le E(t),$$
(3.5)

We get from (A1) and Lemma 2.2 that

$$\|\Delta u\|^{2} \leq \left(1 - \int_{0}^{t} g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u\|^{2} \leq \frac{2(p+2)}{p}E(0),$$
(3.6)

for $\forall t \in [0, t_{max})$.

By exploiting (A1), Lemma 2.1, (3.3) and (3.6), we easily arrive at

$$\begin{split} b\|u(t)\|_{p+2}^{p+2} &\leq bB_1^{p+2} \|\Delta u(t)\|^{p+2} \leq \frac{bB_1^{p+2}}{l} \|\Delta u(t)\|^p \cdot (l\|\Delta u(t)\|^2) \\ &\leq \frac{bB_1^{p+2}}{l} \left[\frac{2(p+2)}{pl} E(0)\right]^{\frac{p}{2}} \cdot (l\|\Delta u(t)\|^2) \leq \theta l\|\Delta u(t)\|^2 \\ &\leq \theta \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u\|^2 < \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u\|^2, \end{split}$$
(3.7)

for all $t \in [0, t_{\max})$. Therefore,

$$K(t) = \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) - b\|u\|_{p+2}^{p+2} > 0$$

on $t \in [0, t_{\text{max}})$. By repeating this procedure, and using the fact that

$$\lim_{t \to t_{\max}} \frac{bB_1^{p+2}}{l} \left[\frac{2(p+2)}{pl} E(t) \right]^{\frac{p}{2}} \le \theta < 1,$$

 t_{\max} is extended to T. Thus, we conclude that $u(t) \in W$ on [0,T).

Theorem 3.1 Assuming that (A1) and (A2) hold and that u(t) is a local solution as that obtained in Theorem 2.1. If $u_0 \in W$ and $u_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ satisfy (3.3), then the solution u(t) is a global and bounded solution of the problem (1.1).

Proof It suffices to show that $\|\Delta u(t)\|^2 + \|u_t(t)\|^2$ is bounded independently of t.

Under the hypotheses in Theorem 3.1, we get from Lemma 3.2 that $u(t) \in W$ on [0, T). So the formula (3.1) in Lemma 3.1 holds on [0, T).

Therefore, we have from (3.1) that

$$\frac{1}{2} \|u_t\|^2 + \frac{p}{2(p+2)} \left[l \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) \right] \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \|u_t\|^2 + \frac{p}{2(p+2)} \left[\left(1 - \int_0^t g(s) ds \right) \|\Delta u\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t) \right] \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \|u_t\|^2 + J(t) = E(t) \leq E(0).$$
(3.8)

Hence, we get

$$||u_t(t)||^2 + ||\Delta u(t)||^2 \le \max\left(2, \frac{2(p+2)}{pl}\right)E(0) < +\infty.$$

The above inequality and the continuation principle lead to the global existence of the solution, that is, $T = +\infty$. Thus, the solution u(x,t) is a global solution of the problem (1.1).

4 Energy Decay of Global Solution

The following lemmas play an important role in studying the energy decay estimate of global solutions for the problem (1.1).

Lemma 4.1[10] Supposing that $\varphi(t)$ is a non-increasing and nonnegative function on [0, T], T > 1, such that

$$\varphi(t)^{1+r} \le \omega_0[\varphi(t) - \varphi(t+1)], \text{ on } [0,T],$$

where ω_0 is a positive constant and r is a nonnegative constant. Then $\varphi(t)$ has the following decay properties

(i) if r > 0, then

$$\varphi(t) \le \left(\varphi(0)^{-r} + \omega_0^{-1}r[t-1]^+\right)^{-\frac{1}{r}} on \ [0,T],$$

where $[t-1]^+ = \max\{t-1, 0\}.$ (ii) if r = 0, then

$$\varphi(t) \le \varphi(0)e^{-\vartheta[t-1]^+} \text{ on } [0,T],$$

where $\vartheta = \ln \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_0 - 1}, \ \omega_0 > 1.$

Lemma 4.2 Let *u* satisfy the assumptions of Lemma 3.2. Then there exists $0 < \theta_1 < 1$ such that

$$\left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2 \le \frac{1}{\theta_1} K(t), \ t \in [0,T],$$
(4.1)

where $\theta_1 = 1 - \theta$.

Proof From (3.7), we get that

$$b\|u(t)\|_{p+2}^{p+2} \le \theta \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2, \ t \in [0,T].$$

Let $\theta = 1 - \theta_1$, then

$$b\|u(t)\|_{p+2}^{p+2} \le (1-\theta_1) \left(1 - \int_0^t g(s)ds\right) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2 + (g \circ \Delta u)(t), \ t \in [0,T].$$
(4.2)

We have from (2.4) and (4.2) that (4.1) is valid.

Theorem 4.1 Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.1, if $u_0 \in W$ and $u_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ satisfy (3.3), then the global solution $u \in W$ of the problem (1.1) satisfies the following decay properties:

- (i) If m = 0, then $E(t) \le E(0)e^{-\vartheta[t-1]^+}$.
- (ii) If m > 0, then

$$E(t) \le \left(E(0)^{-\frac{m}{2}} + \hbar[t-1]^+\right)^{-\frac{2}{m}}.$$

where ϑ and \hbar are positive constants which will be determined later.

Proof Multiplying the equation in (1.1) by u_t and integrating over $\Omega \times [t, t+1]$, we get

$$a \int_{t}^{t+1} \|u_{t}(s)\|_{m+2}^{m+2} ds - \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t+1} (g' \circ \Delta u)(s) ds + \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t+1} g(s) \|\Delta u(s)\|^{2} ds = E(t) - E(t+1).$$

$$(4.3)$$

Thus, there exist $t_1 \in [t, t + \frac{1}{4}], t_2 \in [t + \frac{3}{4}, t + 1]$ such that

$$4a \|u_t(t_i)\|_{m+2}^{m+2} - 2(g' \circ \Delta u)(t_i)$$

+2g(t_i) $\|\Delta u(t_i)\|^2 = E(t) - E(t+1), \ t = 1, 2.$ (4.4)

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On the other hand, we multiply the equation in (1.1) by u and integrate over $\Omega \times [t_1, t_2]$. We obtain

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} K(t) ds = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|u_t(s)\|^2 ds + (u_t(t_1), u(t_1)) - (u_t(t_2), u(t_2)) -a \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Omega} |u_t|^m u_t u dx ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (g \circ \Delta u)(s) ds + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t g(t-s) \Delta u(t) [\Delta u(s) - \Delta u(t)] ds dx dt.$$
(4.5)

From (4.3) and Hölder inequality, we have

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|u_t\|^2 ds \le C_3 \left(\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|u_t\|_{m+2}^{m+2} ds \right)^{\frac{2}{m+2}} \le C_3 [E(t) - E(t+1)]^{\frac{2}{m+2}}.$$
 (4.6)

We get from (3.8), (4.4), Hölder inequality and Young inequality that

$$|(u_t(t_i), u(t_i))| \le ||u_t(t_i)|| ||u(t_i)||$$

$$\le C_4 (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \le s \le t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \ i = 1, 2.$$
(4.7)

From Hölder inequality and Lemma 2.1, (3.8) and (4.3), we get

$$\left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Omega} |u_t|^m u_t u dx ds \right| \le C_5 (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{m+1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \le s \le t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
 (4.8)

By using Young inequality, we have

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t g(t-s)\Delta u(t) [\Delta u(s) - \Delta u(t)] ds dx dt$$

$$\leq \sigma \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^t g(t-s) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2 ds dt + \frac{1}{4\sigma} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (g \circ \Delta u)(s) ds,$$
(4.9)

where σ is some positive constant to be chosen later.

Therefore, we get from (4.5)-(4.9) that

$$\begin{split} &\int_{t_1}^{t_2} K(t) ds \\ &\leq C_6 \bigg[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{m+1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \leq s \leq t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &+ (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \leq s \leq t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}} \bigg] \\ &+ \sigma \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^t g(t-s) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2 ds dt + \left(\frac{1}{4\sigma} + 1\right) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (g \circ \Delta u)(s) ds. \end{split}$$
(4.10)

On the other hand, we obtain from (A1) and (4.3) that

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (g \circ \Delta u)(s) ds \le -\frac{1}{\eta_2} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (g' \circ \Delta u)(s) ds \le \frac{2}{\eta_2} (E(t) - E(t+1)).$$
(4.11)

By (A1) and Lemma 4.2, we have

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^t g(t-s) \|\Delta u(t)\|^2 ds dt \le \frac{g(0)}{l\theta_1 \eta_2} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} K(t) dt.$$
(4.12)

Choosing σ such that $\frac{\sigma g(0)}{l\theta_1\eta_2} = \frac{1}{2}$, then we get from (4.10), (4.11) and (4.12) that

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} K(t) ds$$

$$\leq C_7 \left[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \leq s \leq t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{m+1}{m+2}} \sup_{t \leq s \leq t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1)) \right].$$
(4.13)

It follows from (2.3), (2.4) and Lemma 4.2 that

$$J(t) \le \frac{p}{2(p+2)} (g \circ \Delta u)(t) + \frac{p+2\theta_1}{2(p+2)\theta_1} K(t).$$
(4.14)

We have from (2.6) and (4.14) that

$$E(t) \le \frac{1}{2} \|u_t\|^2 + \frac{p}{2(p+2)} (g \circ \Delta u)(t) + \frac{p+2\theta_1}{2(p+2)\theta_1} K(t).$$
(4.15)

By integrating (4.15) over $[t_1, t_2]$, we obtain from (4.6), (4.11) and (4.13) that

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} E(t)ds$$

$$\leq 2C_8[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))] \qquad (4.16)$$

$$+ C_8[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{m+1}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{1}{m+2}}] \sup_{t \le s \le t+1} E(s)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Integrating both sides of (2.7) over $[t, t_2]$, we obtain from (4.3) and $E(t_2) \leq 2 \int_{t_1}^{t_2} E(s) ds$ that

$$E(t) \le 2 \int_{t_1}^{t_2} E(s) ds + (E(t) - E(t+1)).$$
(4.17)

We have from (4.16) and (4.17) that

$$E(t) \leq 2C_8[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{m+1}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{1}{m+2}}]E(t)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_9[(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2}{m+2}} + (E(t) - E(t+1))].$$
(4.18)

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Therefore, we obtain from Young inequality that

$$E(t) \leq C_{10}[(E(t) - E(t+1)) + (E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2(m+1)}{m+2}} + 2(E(t) - E(t+1))^{\frac{2}{m+2}}].$$
(4.19)

When m = 0, we have

$$E(t) \le 4C_{10}[(E(t) - E(t+1))]. \tag{4.20}$$

Applying Lemma 4.1 to (4.20), we get

$$E(t) \le E(0)e^{-\vartheta[t-1]^+},$$

where $\vartheta = \ln \frac{4C_{10}}{4C_{10}-1}$. When m > 0, we obtain from (4.19) that

$$E(t) \le C_{11}[E(t) - E(t+1)]^{\frac{2}{m+2}}.$$
(4.21)

We have from (4.21) that

$$E(t)^{\frac{m+2}{2}} \le C_{12}[E(t) - E(t+1)].$$
(4.22)

Consequently, we obtain from (4.22) and Lemma 4.1 that

$$E(t) \le \left(E(0)^{-\frac{m}{2}} + \hbar[t-1]^+ \right)^{-\frac{2}{m}},\tag{4.23}$$

where $\hbar = \frac{m}{2C_{12}}$. Thus, we complete the proof of Theorem 4.1.

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