

# EXISTENCE AND DECAY OF SOLUTIONS OF A NONLINEAR VISCOELASTIC PROBLEM WITH A MIXED NONHOMOGENEOUS CONDITION

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ABSTRACT. We study the initial-boundary value problem for a nonlinear wave equation given by

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t - s)u_{xx}(s)ds + |u_t|^{q-2}u_t = f(x, t, u),$$
  

$$u_x(0, t) = u(0, t), u_x(1, t) + \eta u(1, t) = g(t),$$
  

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x), u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x),$$

where  $\eta \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 2$  are given constants and  $u_0, u_1, g, k, f$  are given functions. In this paper, we consider two main parts. In Part 1, under a certain local Lipschitzian condition on f with  $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1) \in H^1 \times L^2; \ k,g \in H^1(0,T), \ \eta \geq 0; \ q \geq 2$ , a global existence and uniqueness theorem is proved. The proof is based on the paper [10] associated to a contraction mapping theorem and standard arguments of density. In Part 2, the asymptotic behavior of the solution u as  $t \to +\infty$  is studied, under more restrictive conditions, namely  $g=0,\ f(x,t,u)=-|u|^{p-2}u+F(x,t),\ p\geq 2,\ F\in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+;L^2)\cap L^2(\mathbb{R}_+;L^2),\ \int_0^{+\infty}e^{\sigma t}\|F(t)\|^2dt<+\infty,$  with  $\sigma>0,$  and  $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1)\in H^1\times L^2,\ k\in H^1(\mathbb{R}_+),$  and some others  $(\|\cdot\|$  denotes the  $L^2(0,1)$  norm). It is proved that under these conditions, a unique solution u(t) exists on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\|u'(t)\|+\|u_x(t)\|$  decay exponentially to 0 as  $t\to +\infty$ . Finally, we present some numerical results.

# 1. Introduction

In this paper we will consider the following initial and boundary value problem:

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t-s)u_{xx}(s)ds + |u_t|^{q-2}u_t = f(x,t,u), 0 < x < 1; 0 < t < T,$$
(1.1)

$$u_x(0,t) = u(0,t), u_x(1,t) + \eta u(1,t) = g(t), \tag{1.2}$$

$$u(x,0) = u_0(x), u_t(x,0) = u_1(x), (1.3)$$

where  $\eta \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 2$  are given constants and  $u_0, u_1, g, k, f$  are given functions satisfying conditions specified later.

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In a recent paper [1], Berrimia and Messaoudi considered the problem

$$u_{tt} - \Delta u + \int_0^t k(t-s)\Delta u(s)ds = |u|^{p-2}u, x \in \Omega, t > 0,$$
 (1.4)

$$u = 0$$
, on  $\partial \Omega$ , (1.5)

$$u(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_0(x), u_t(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_1(x), x \in \Omega,$$
 (1.6)

where p > 2 is a constant, k is a given positive function, and  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $(n \geq 1)$ , with a smooth boundary  $\partial \Omega$ . This type of problems have been considered by many authors and several results concerning existence, nonexistence, and asymptotic behavior have been established. In this regard, Cavalcanti et al. [3] studied the following equation

$$u_{tt} - \Delta u + \int_0^t k(t-s)\Delta u(s)ds + |u|^{p-2}u + a(t)u_t = 0, \text{ in } \Omega \times (0,\infty),$$
 (1.7)

for  $a:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}_+$ , a function, which may be null on a part of the domain  $\Omega$ . Under the conditions that  $a(x)\geq a_0>0$  on  $\omega\subset\Omega$ , with  $\omega$  satisfying some geometry restrictions and

$$-\zeta_1 k(t) = k'(t) = -\zeta_2 k(t), t \ge 0, \tag{1.8}$$

the authors established an exponential rate of decay.

In [2] Bergounioux, Long and Dinh studied problem (1.1), (1.3) with k = 0, q = 2, f(x, t, u) = -Ku + F(x, t), and the mixed boundary conditions (1.2) standing for

$$u_x(0,t) = g(t) + hu(0,t) - \int_0^t H(t-s)u(0,s)ds,$$
(1.9)

$$u_x(1,t) + K_1 u(1,t) + \lambda_1 u_t(1,t) = 0, \tag{1.10}$$

where  $h \geq 0$ ,  $K, \lambda, K_1, \lambda_1$  are given constants and g, H are given functions.

In [7], Long, Dinh and Diem obtained the unique existence, regularity and asymptotic expansion of the problem (1.1), (1.3), (1.9) and (1.10) in the case of k = 0,  $f(x,t,u) = -K|u|^{p-2}u + F(x,t)$ , with  $p \ge 2$ ,  $q \ge 2$ ;  $K, \lambda$  are given constants.

In [8], Long, Ut and Truc gave the unique existence, stability, regularity in time variable and asymptotic expansion for the solution of problem (1.1)- (1.3) when k=0, q=2, f(x,t,u)=-Ku+F(x,t) and  $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1)\in H^2\times H^1$ . In this case, the problem (1.1)- (1.3) is the mathematical model describing a shock problem involving a linear viscoelastic bar.

In [9], Long and Giai obtained the unique existence and asymptotic expansion for the solution of problem (1.1), (1.3) when k = 0, q = 2, f(x, t, u) = -Ku + F(x, t) and  $(\widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{u}_1) \in H^1 \times L^2$ , and the mixed boundary conditions (1.2) standing for

$$u_x(0,t) = g(t) + K_1 |u(0,t)|^{\alpha-2} u(0,t) + \lambda_1 |u_t(0,t)|^{\beta-2} u_t(0,t)$$

$$- \int_0^t H(t-s)u(0,s)ds,$$

$$u(1,t) = 0,$$
(1.11)

where K,  $\lambda$ ,  $K_1$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  are given constants and g, H are given functions. In this case, the problem (1.1), (1.3), (1.11), (1.12) is the mathematical model describing a shock problem involving a nonlinear viscoelastic bar.

In [10], Long and Truong obtained the unique existence and asymptotic expansion for the solution of problem (1.1) -(1.3) when  $f(x,t,u) = -K|u|^{p-2}u + F(x,t)$ ,

 $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1) \in H^2 \times H^1$ ;  $F, F_t \in L^2(Q_T)$ ,  $k \in W^{2,1}(0,T)$ ,  $g \in H^2(0,T)$ ;  $K, \eta \ge 0$ ,  $\eta_0 > 0$ ;  $p, q \ge 2$ .

In this paper, we consider two main parts. In Part 1, under a certain local Lipschitzian condition on f with  $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1)\in H^1\times L^2;\ k,g\in H^1(0,T),\lambda>0,\ \eta_0>0;\ \eta\geq 0;\ q\geq 2,$  a global existence and uniqueness theorem is proved. The proof is based on the paper [10] associated to a contraction mapping theorem and standard arguments of density. In Part 2, the asymptotic behavior of the solution u as  $t\to\infty$  is studied, under more restrictive conditions, namely  $f(x,t,u)=-|u|^{p-2}u+F(x,t),$   $p\geq 2,\ F\in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+;L^2)\bigcap L^2(\mathbb{R}_+;L^2),\ \int_0^{+\infty}e^{\sigma t}\|F(t)\|^2dt<+\infty,$  with  $\sigma>0,$  and  $(\widetilde{u}_0,\widetilde{u}_1)\in H^1\times L^2,\ g=0,\ k\in H^1(\mathbb{R}_+,$  and some others  $(\|\cdot\|$  denotes the  $L^2(0,1)$  norm). It is proved that under these conditions, a unique solution u(t) exists on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\|u'(t)\|+\|u_x(t)\|$  decay exponentially to 0 as  $t\to+\infty$ . The results obtained here relatively are in part generalizations of those in [1-3, 6-10]. Finally, we present some numerical results.

## 2. Preliminary Results

Put  $\Omega=(0,1),\,Q_T=\Omega\times(0,T),\,T>0$ . We omit the definitions of usual function spaces:  $C^m(\overline{\Omega}),\,L^p(\Omega),\,W^{m,p}(\Omega)$ . We denote  $W^{m,p}=W^{m,p}(\Omega),\,L^p=W^{0,p}(\Omega),\,H^m=W^{m,2}(\Omega),\,1\leq p\leq \infty,\,m=0,1,\ldots$  The norm in  $L^2$  is denoted by  $\|\cdot\|$ . We also denote by  $\langle\cdot,\cdot\rangle$  the scalar product in  $L^2$  or pair of dual scalar product of continuous linear functional with an element of a function space. We denote by  $\|\cdot\|_X$  the norm of a Banach space X and by X' the dual space of X. We denote by  $L^p(0,T;X),\,1\leq p\leq \infty$  for the Banach space of the real functions  $u:(0,T)\to X$  measurable, such that

$$||u||_{L^p(0,T;X)} = \left(\int_0^T ||u(t)||_X^p dt\right)^{1/p} < \infty \text{ for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$

and

$$||u||_{L^{\infty}(0,T;X)} = \underset{0 < t < T}{\text{ess sup }} ||u(t)||_{X} \text{ for } p = \infty.$$

Let u(t),  $u'(t) = u_t(t)$ ,  $u''(t) = u_{tt}(t)$ ,  $u_x(t)$ , and  $u_{xx}(t)$  denote u(x,t),  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t)$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(x,t)$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x,t)$ , and  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x,t)$ , respectively.

Without loss of generality, we can suppose that  $\eta_0 = \lambda = 1$ . For every  $\eta \geq 0$ , we put

$$a_{\eta}(u,v) = \int_{0}^{1} u_{x}(x)v_{x}(x)dx + u(0)v(0) + \eta u(1)v(1), \forall u, v \in H^{1},$$
 (2.1)

$$||v||_{\eta} = (a_{\eta}(v,v))^{1/2}.$$
 (2.2)

On  $H^1$  we shall use the following equivalent norm

$$||v||_1 = \left(v^2(0) + \int_0^1 |v_x(x)|^2 dx\right)^{1/2}$$
 (2.3)

Then we have the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** The imbedding  $V \hookrightarrow C^0([0,1])$  is compact and

$$||v||_{C^0([0,1])} \le ||v||_V$$
, for all  $v \in V$ . (2.4)

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\eta \geq 0$ . Then, the symmetric bilinear form  $a_{\eta}(\cdot, \cdot)$  defined by (2.1) is continuous on  $H^1 \times H^1$  and coercive on  $H^1$ , i.e.,

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) \; |a_{\eta}(u,v)| = C_{\eta} \|u\|_{1} \|v\|_{1}, & \textit{for all} \quad u,v \in H^{1}, \\ (ii) \; a_{\eta}(v,v) = \|v\|_{1}^{2}, & \textit{for all} \quad v \in H^{1}, \end{array}$ 

where  $C_{\eta} = 1 + 2\eta$ .

The proofs of these lemmas are straightforward, and we omit the details.

We also note that on  $H^1$ ,  $||v||_1$ ,  $||v||_{H^1} = (||v||^2 + ||v'||^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $||v||_{\eta} = \sqrt{(a_{\eta}(v,v))}$  are three equivalent norms.

$$||v||_1^2 \le ||v||_\eta^2 \le C_\eta ||v||_1^2$$
, for all  $v \in H^1$ , (2.5)

$$\frac{1}{3}\|v\|_{H^1}^2 \le \|v\|_1^2 \le 3\|v\|_{H^1}^2, \quad \text{for all} \quad v \in H^1, \tag{2.6}$$

## 3. The Existence and uniqueness theorem of the solution

In this section we study the global existence of solutions for problem (1.1)-(1.3). For this purpose, we consider, first, a related nonlinear problem. Then, we use the well-known Banach's fixed point theorem to prove the existence of solutions to the nonlinear problem (1.1)-(1.3).

We make the following assumptions:

- (H1)  $\eta \ge 0, q \ge 2$ ,
- (H2)  $k, g \in H^1(0, T),$
- (H3)  $\widetilde{u}_0 \in H^1$  and  $\widetilde{u}_1 \in L^2$ ,
- (H4)  $f \in C^0(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R})$  satisfies the conditions  $D_2 f, D_3 f \in C^0(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R})$ .

For each T > 0, we put

$$W(T) = v \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^{1}) : v_{t} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^{2}) \cap L^{q}(Q_{T}).$$
(3.1)

Then W(T) is a Banach space with respect to the norm (see[5]):

$$||v||_{W(T)} = ||v||_{L^{\infty}(0,T;H^{1})} + ||v_{t}||_{L^{\infty}(0,T;L^{2})} + ||v_{t}||_{L^{q}(Q_{T})}, v \in W(T).$$
(3.2)

For each  $v \in W(T)$ , we associate with the problem (1.1)-(1.3) the following variational problem.

Find  $u \in W(T)$  which satisfies the variational problem

$$< u^{//}(t), w > +a_{\eta}(u(t), w) - \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a_{\eta}(u(s), w)ds + < \psi_{q}(u^{/}(t)), w >$$

$$= g_{1}(t)w(1) + < f(\cdot, t, v(\cdot, t)), w > \text{ for all } w \in H^{1},$$
(3.3)

$$u(0) = \widetilde{u}_0, u_t(0) = \widetilde{u}_1,$$
 (3.4)

where

$$\psi_q(z) = |z|^{q-2}z, g_1(t) = g(t) - \int_0^t k(t-s)g(s)ds.$$
 (3.5)

Then, we have the following theorem

**Theorem 3.1.** Let (H1)-(H4) hold. Then, for every T > 0 and  $v \in W(T)$ , problem (3.3)- (3.5) has a unique solution  $u \in W(T)$  and such that

$$u^{//}, u_{xx} \in L^{q'}(0, T; (H^1)^{/}), \quad where \quad q' = q/(q-1).$$
 (3.6)

Furthermore, we have

$$||u'(t)||^2 + ||u(t)||_{\eta}^2 + 2\int_0^t ||u'(s)||_{L^q}^q ds \le C_{1T} \exp(TC_{2T}), \forall t \in [0, T],$$
 (3.7)

where

$$C_{1T} = C_{1T}(v, \widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{u}_1, k, g) = 2 \left[ \|\widetilde{u}_1\|^2 + \|\widetilde{u}_0\|_{\eta}^2 + 2|g_1(0)\widetilde{u}_0(1)| + 6\|g_1\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T)}^2 + 2\|g_1'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + \int_0^T \|f(\cdot, s, v(s))\|^2 ds \right],$$

$$(3.8)$$

$$C_{2T} = C_{2T}(k) = 2 \left[ 3 + 2|k(0)| + 6||k||_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} + T||k'||_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} \right],$$
 (3.9)

and

$$g_1(t) = g(t) - \int_0^t k(t-s)g(s)ds.$$
 (3.10)

Proof of theorem 3.1. The proof consists of steps two steps

**a.** The existence of solution. We approximate  $\widetilde{u}_0$ ,  $\widetilde{u}_1$ , k, g by sequences  $\{u_{0m}\} \subset C_0^{\infty}(\overline{\Omega}), u_{1m} \subset C_0^{\infty}(\Omega), k_m, g_m \subset C_0^{\infty}([0,T]), \text{ respectively, such that}$ 

$$u_{0m} \to \widetilde{u}_0$$
 strongly in  $H^1$ ,  
 $u_{1m} \to \widetilde{u}_1$  strongly in  $L^2$ ,  
 $k_m \to k$  strongly in  $H^1(0,T)$ ,  
 $g_m \to g$  strongly in  $H^1(0,T)$ .

Then we consider the following variational problem: Find  $u_m \in W(T)$  which satisfies the variational problem

$$\langle u_m^{//}(t), w \rangle + a_{\eta}(u_m(t), w) - \int_0^t k_m(t - s)a_{\eta}(u_m(s), w)ds$$

$$+ \langle \psi_g(u_m^{/}(t)), w \rangle = g_{1m}(t)w(1) + \langle f(\cdot, t, v(\cdot, t)), w \rangle, \forall w \in H^1,$$
(3.12)

$$u(0) = u_{0m}, u'(0) = u_{1m},$$
 (3.13)

and

$$u_m \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^2), u_m^{/} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^1), u_m^{//} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2),$$
 (3.14)

where

$$g_{1m}(t) = g_m(t) - \int_0^t k_m(t-s)g_m(s)ds.$$
 (3.15)

The existence of a sequence of solutions  $u_m$  satisfying (3.12)-(3.15) is a direct result of the theorem 2.1 in [10]. We shall prove that  $u_m$  is a Cauchy sequence in W(T). (i) A priori estimates.

We take  $w = u'_m(t)$  in (3.12), afterwards integrating with respect to the time variable from 0 to t, we get after some rearrangements

$$\sigma_{m}(t) = \sigma_{m}(0) - 2g_{1m}(0)u_{0m}(1) + 2g_{1m}(t)u_{m}(1,t)$$

$$-2\int_{0}^{t} g_{1m}^{\prime}(r)u_{m}(1,r)dr - 2k_{m}(0)\int_{0}^{t} \|u_{m}(r)\|_{\eta}^{2}dr$$

$$+2\int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{m}(s),u_{m}(t))ds$$

$$-2\int_{0}^{t} dr \int_{0}^{r} k_{m}^{\prime}(r-s)a_{\eta}(u_{m}(s),u_{m}(r))ds$$

$$+2\int_{0}^{t} < f(\cdot,s,v(\cdot,s)), u_{m}^{\prime}(s) > ds,$$

$$(3.16)$$

where

$$\sigma_m(t) = \|u_m'(t)\|^2 + \|u_m(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2\int_0^t \|u_m'(s)\|_{L^q}^q ds.$$
 (3.17)

Proving in the same manner as in [10], we have the following results:

$$\sigma_m(t) = C_{1T}(m) + C_{2T}(m) \int_0^t \sigma_m(s) ds, \forall t \in [0, T],$$
 (3.18)

where

$$C_{1T}(m) = 2 \left[ \|u_{1m}\|^2 + \|u_{0m}\|_{\eta}^2 + 2|g_{1m}(0)u_{0m}(1)| + 6\|g_{1m}\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T)}^2 + 2\|g_{1m}'\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^2 + \int_0^T \|f(\cdot,s,v(s))\|^2 ds \right],$$

$$(3.19)$$

$$C_{2T}(m) = 2 \left[ 3 + 2|k_m(0)| + 6||k_m||_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + T||k_m'||_{L^2(0,T)}^2 \right].$$
 (3.20)

From the assumptions (H1)-(H4), afterwards using Gronwall's lemma, we deduce from (3.11), that

$$\sigma_m(t) \le \widetilde{C}_T$$
, for all  $m$  and  $t \in [0, T]$ , (3.21)

where  $C_T$  is a constant independent of m.

On the other hand, we deduce from (3.12), (3.21), that, for all  $w \in H^1$ , we have

$$|\langle u_{m}^{\prime\prime}(t), w \rangle| \leq ||u_{m}(t)||_{\eta} ||w||_{\eta} + \int_{0}^{t} |k_{m}(t-s)||u_{m}(s)||_{\eta} ||w||_{\eta} ds$$

$$+ ||\psi_{q}(u_{m}^{\prime})||_{L^{q^{\prime}}(\Omega)} ||w||_{L^{q}(\Omega)} + |g_{1m}(t)|||w||_{\eta}$$

$$+ ||f(\cdot, t, v(\cdot, t))|||w||$$

$$\leq C_{T} \sqrt{(3C_{\eta})} \left[1 + ||\psi_{q}(u_{m}^{\prime})||_{L^{q^{\prime}}(\Omega)}\right] ||w||_{H^{1}}.$$
(3.22)

This implies that

$$||u_m^{\prime\prime}(t)||_{(H^1)^{\prime}} = \sup_{0 \neq w \in H^1} \frac{\left| \langle u_m^{\prime\prime}(t), w \rangle \right|}{||w||_{H^1}}$$

$$\leq C_T \sqrt{3C_{\eta}} \left[ 1 + ||\psi_q(u_m^{\prime})||_{L^{q^{\prime}}(\Omega)} \right].$$
(3.23)

Hence

$$\|u_{m}^{\prime\prime}\|_{L^{q'}(0,T;(H^{1})^{\prime})}^{q'} = \int_{0}^{T} \|u_{m}^{\prime\prime}(t)\|_{(H^{1})^{\prime}}^{q'} dt$$

$$\leq \left(C_{T}\sqrt{3C_{\eta}}\right)^{q'} 2^{q'-1} \int_{0}^{T} \left[1 + \|u_{m}^{\prime}(t)\|_{L^{q}(\Omega)}^{q}\right] dt$$

$$\leq C_{T}, \tag{3.24}$$

where  $C_T$  always indicating a constant depending on T.

(ii) The convergence of sequence  $\{u_m\}$ 

We shall prove that  $u_m$  is a Cauchy sequence in W(T). Let  $\hat{u} = u_m - u_\mu$ . Then  $\hat{u}$  satisfies the variational problem

$$< u^{//}(t), w > +a_{\eta}(\widehat{u}(t), w) - \int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(\widehat{u}(s), w)ds$$

$$- \int_{0}^{t} \widehat{k}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s), w)ds + < \psi_{q}(u'_{m}(t)) - \psi_{q}(u'_{\mu}(t)), w >$$

$$= g_{1}(t)w(1) \quad \text{for all} \quad w \in H^{1},$$

$$(3.25)$$

$$\widehat{u}(0) = \widehat{u}_0, \widehat{u}'(0) = \widehat{u}_1, \tag{3.26}$$

where

$$\widehat{u}_{0} = u_{0m} - u_{0\mu}, \widehat{u}_{1} = u_{1m} - u_{1\mu},$$

$$\widehat{k} = k_{m} - k_{\mu}, \widehat{g} = g_{m} - g_{\mu}, \widehat{g}_{1} = g_{1m} - g_{1\mu},$$

$$\widehat{g}_{1}(t) = \widehat{g}(t) - \int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)\widehat{g}(s)ds - \int_{0}^{t} \widehat{k}(t-s)g_{\mu}(s)ds.$$
(3.27)

We take w = u'(t) in (3.25), after integrating with respect to the time variable from 0 to t, we get after some rearrangements

$$Z(t) = Z(0) - 2\widehat{g}_{1}(0)\widehat{u}_{0}(1) + 2\widehat{g}_{1}(t)\widehat{u}(1,t) - 2\int_{0}^{t} \widehat{g}1^{/}(r)\widehat{u}(1,r)dr$$

$$-2k_{m}(0)\int_{0}^{t} \|\widehat{u}(r)\|_{\eta}^{2}dr + 2\int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(\widehat{u}(s),\widehat{u}(t))ds$$

$$-2\int_{0}^{t} dr \int_{0}^{r} k_{m}^{/}(r-s)a_{\eta}(\widehat{u}(s),\widehat{u}(r))ds$$

$$-2\widehat{k}(0)\int_{0}^{t} a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s),\widehat{u}(s))ds + 2\int_{0}^{t} \widehat{k}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s),\widehat{u}(t))ds$$

$$-2\int_{0}^{t} dr \int_{0}^{r} \widehat{k}^{/}(r-s)a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s),\widehat{u}(r))ds,$$

$$(3.28)$$

where

$$Z(t) = \|\widehat{u}'(t)\|^2 + \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2\int_0^t \langle \psi_q(u'_m(s)) - \psi_q(u'_{\mu}(s)), u'_m(s) - u'_{\mu}(s) \rangle ds.$$
(3.29)

Using the following inequality

$$\forall q \ge 2, \exists C_q > 0 : (|x|^{q-2}x - |y|^{q-2}y)(x-y) \ge C_q|x-y|^q, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R},$$
 (3.30)

it follows from (3.29) that

$$Z(t) \ge \|\widehat{u}'(t)\|^2 + \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2C_q \int_0^t \|\widehat{u}'(s)\|_{L^q}^q ds. \tag{3.31}$$

Using the inequality

$$2ab \le \epsilon a^2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon}b^2, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \epsilon > 0, \tag{3.32}$$

and the following inequalities

$$|a_{\eta}(u,v)| \le ||u||_{\eta} ||v||_{\eta}, \forall u, v \in H^{1},$$
 (3.33)

$$|\widehat{u}(1,t)| \le \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_{C^0(\Omega)} \le \sqrt{2} \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_1 \le \sqrt{2} \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_{\eta} \le \sqrt{2Z(t)},$$
 (3.34)

we shall estimate respectively the following terms on the right-hand side of (3.28) as follows

$$Z(0) - 2\widehat{g}_1(0)\widehat{u}_0(1) \le ||u_{1m} - u_{1\mu}||^2 + ||u_{0m} - u_{0\mu}||_{\eta}^2 + 2|q_{1m}(0) - q_{1\mu}(0)||u_{0m}(1) - u_{0\mu}(1)|,$$
(3.35)

$$2\widehat{g}_1(t)\widehat{u}(1,t) \le 8\|\widehat{g}_1\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T)}^2 + \frac{1}{4}Z(t), \text{ with } \epsilon = \frac{1}{8},$$
 (3.36)

$$-2\int_{0}^{t}\widehat{g}_{1}'(r)\widehat{u}(1,r)dr \leq 2\|\widehat{g}_{1}'\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} + \int_{0}^{t}Z(r)dr, \tag{3.37}$$

$$2\int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(\widehat{u}(s),\widehat{u}(t))ds \leq \frac{1}{8}Z(t) + 8\|k_{m}\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} \int_{0}^{t} Z(s)ds, \qquad (3.38)$$

$$-2k_m(0)\int_0^t \|\widehat{u}(r)\|_{\eta}^2 dr \le 2|k_m(0)|\int_0^t Z(r)dr, \tag{3.39}$$

$$-2\int_0^t dr \int_0^r k_m'(r-s)a_\eta(\widehat{u}(s),\widehat{u}(r))ds \le \left(1 + T\|k_m'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2\right) \int_0^t Z(s)ds, \quad (3.40)$$

$$2\int_{0}^{t} \widehat{k}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s),\widehat{u}(t))ds \leq \frac{1}{8}Z(t) + 8\widetilde{C}_{T} \|\widehat{k}\|_{L^{1}(0,T)}^{2}, \tag{3.41}$$

$$-2\widehat{k}(0)\int_{0}^{t} a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s), \widehat{u}(s))ds \le T\widetilde{C}_{T}|\widehat{k}(0)|^{2} + \int_{0}^{t} Z(s)ds, \tag{3.42}$$

$$-2\int_0^t dr \int_0^r \widehat{k}'(r-s)a_{\eta}(u_{\mu}(s),\widehat{u}(r))ds \le T^2 \widetilde{C}_T \|\widehat{k}'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + \int_0^t Z(s)ds. \quad (3.43)$$

Combining (3.28), (3.29), (3.31) and (3.35)-(3.43), we obtain

$$Z(t) \le \rho_{1T}(m,\mu) + \rho_{2T}(m) \int_0^t Z(s)ds, \forall t \in [0,T],$$
 (3.44)

where

$$\rho_{1T}(m,\mu) = 2 \left[ \|\widehat{u}_1\|^2 + \|\widehat{u}_0\|_{\eta}^2 + 2|\widehat{g}_1(0)\widehat{u}_0(1)| + 8\|\widehat{g}_1\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T)}^2 \right] 
+ 2\|\widehat{g}_1'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + 8\widetilde{C}_T \|\widehat{k}\|_{L^1(0,T)}^2 + T\widetilde{C}_T |\widehat{k}(0)|^2 + T^2\widetilde{C}_T \|\widehat{k}'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 \right],$$

$$\rho_{2T}(m) = 2 \left[ 4 + 2|k_m(0)| + 8\|k_m\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + T\|k_m'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 \right].$$
(3.45)

By Gronwall's lemma, we deduce from (3.31), (3.44), (3.45), that

$$\|\widehat{u}'(t)\|^{2} + \|\widehat{u}(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + 2C_{q} \int_{0}^{t} \|u'(s)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} ds \leq Z(t)$$

$$\leq \rho_{1T}(m, \mu) exp(T\rho_{2T}(m)), \quad \text{for all} \quad t \in [0, T].$$
(3.46)

By (3.11), (3.27) and (3.45), we obtain  $\rho_{1T}(m,\mu)exp(T\rho_{2T}(m)) \to 0$  as  $m,\mu \to +\infty$ . Hence, it follows from (3.46) that  $\{u_m\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in W(T). Therefore there exists  $u \in W(T)$  such that

$$u_m \to u$$
 strongly in  $W(T)$ . (3.47)

On the other hand, by (3.47) and the continuity of  $\psi_q$ , we obtain

$$\psi_q(u_m^{\prime}) \to \psi_q(u^{\prime}) \quad \text{a.e.} \quad (x,t) \in Q_T.$$
 (3.48)

By means of (3.21), it follows that

$$\|\psi_q(u_m')\|_{L^{q'}(Q_T)}^{q'} = \|u_m'\|_{L^q(Q_T)}^q \le \frac{1}{2}\widetilde{C}_T,$$
 (3.49)

for all m. By Lions's lemma [5, Lemma 1.3, p. 12], it follows from (3.48) and (3.49) that

$$\psi_q(u_m^{\prime}) \to \psi_q(u^{\prime})$$
 in  $L^{q^{\prime}}(Q_T)$  weakly. (3.50)

Noticing  $(3.11)_3$  and (3.47) we have

$$\left| \int_{0}^{T} dt \int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{m}(s), w(t))ds \right|$$

$$- \int_{0}^{T} dt \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a_{\eta}(u(s), w(t))ds$$

$$\leq \left| \int_{0}^{T} dt \int_{0}^{t} k_{m}(t-s)a_{\eta}(u_{m}(s)-u(s), w(t))ds \right|$$

$$+ \left| \int_{0}^{T} dt \int_{0}^{t} [k_{m}(t-s)-k(t-s)]a_{\eta}(u(s), w(t))ds \right|$$

$$\leq 3C_{\eta} \|w\|_{L^{1}(0,T;H^{1})} \left[ \|k_{m}\|_{L^{1}(0,T)} \|u_{m}-u\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T;H^{1})} + \|k_{m}-k\|_{L^{1}(0,T)} \|u\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T;H^{1})} \right] \to 0$$
(3.51)

for all  $w \in L^1(0, T; H^1)$ .

On the other hand, by  $(3.11)_{3,4}$  and (3.15), we also obtain

$$g_{1m} \to g_1$$
 strongly in  $H^1(0,T)$ . (3.52)

From (3.24), we deduce the existence of a subsequence of  $\{u_m\}$ , still denoted by  $\{u_m\}$ , such that

$$u_m^{//} \to u^{//}$$
 in  $L^{q'}(0, T; (H^1)^{/})$  weak. (3.53)

Passing to the limit in (3.12), (3.13) by (3.47) and (3.50)-(3.53) we have u satisfying the equation

$$\left\langle u^{//}(t), w \right\rangle + a_{\eta}(u(t), w) - \int_{0}^{t} k(t - s) a_{\eta}(u(s), w) ds + \left\langle \psi_{q}(u^{/}(t)), w \right\rangle$$

$$= g_{1}(t)w(1) + \langle f(\cdot, t, v(\cdot, t)), w \rangle, \forall w \in H^{1}, \text{ in } L^{q^{/}}(0, T) \text{ weak,}$$

$$(3.54)$$

and

$$u(0) = \widetilde{u}_0, u'(0) = \widetilde{u}_1.$$
 (3.55)

On the other hand, we deduce from (3.54), that

$$u_{xx}(t) - \int_0^t k(t-s)u_{xx}(s)ds = \phi(t), \tag{3.56}$$

where

$$\phi(t) = u^{//}(t) + |u^{/}|^{q-2}u^{/} - f(\cdot, t, v(\cdot, t)) \in L^{q/}(0, T; (H^{1})^{/}). \tag{3.57}$$

Hence, it follows from (3.56) and (3.57), that

$$||u_{xx}(t)||_{(H^{1})^{/}}^{q^{/}} \leq \left( ||\phi(t)||_{(H^{1})^{/}} + \int_{0}^{t} |k(t-s)|||u_{xx}(s)||_{(H^{1})^{/}} ds \right)^{q^{/}}$$

$$\leq 2^{q^{/}-1} \left[ ||\phi(t)||_{(H^{1})^{/}}^{q^{/}} + \left( \int_{0}^{t} |k(t-s)|||u_{xx}(s)||_{(H^{1})^{/}} ds \right)^{q^{/}} \right]$$

$$\leq 2^{q^{/}-1} \left[ ||\phi(t)||_{(H^{1})^{/}}^{q^{/}} + ||k||_{L^{q}(0,T)}^{q^{/}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} ||u_{xx}(s)||_{(H^{1})^{/}}^{q^{/}} ds \right) \right].$$

$$(3.58)$$

This implies that

$$\int_{0}^{r} \|u_{xx}(t)\|_{(H^{1})^{\prime}}^{q^{\prime}} dt \leq 2^{q^{\prime}-1} \|\phi\|_{L^{q^{\prime}}(0,T;(H^{1})^{\prime})}^{q^{\prime}} + 2^{q^{\prime}-1} \|k\|_{L^{q}(0,T)}^{q^{\prime}} \int_{0}^{r} dt \int_{0}^{t} \|u_{xx}(s)\|_{(H^{1})^{\prime}}^{q^{\prime}} ds \tag{3.59}$$

Using Gronwall's lemma, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{r} \|u_{xx}(t)\|_{(H^{1})^{\prime}}^{q^{\prime}} dt \leq 2^{q^{\prime}-1} \|\phi\|_{L^{q^{\prime}}(0,T;(H^{1})^{\prime})}^{q^{\prime}} exp\left(2^{q^{\prime}-1} \|k\|_{L^{q}(0,T)}^{q^{\prime}}r\right) \leq C_{T},$$
(3.60)

where  $C_T$  always indicating a constant depending on T

$$u_{xx} \in L^{q'}(0, T; (H^1)').$$
 (3.61)

On ther other hand, the estimate (3.7) hold by means of (3.11), (3.18), (3.19), (3.20), (3.47). The existence of the theorem is proved completely.

**b.** Uniqueness of the solution. First, we shall now require the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let u be the weak solution of the following problem

$$u'' - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t - s)u_{xx}(s)ds = \Phi, 0 < x < 1, 0 < t < T,$$

$$u_x(0, t) = u(0, t), u_x(1, t) + \eta u(1, t) = 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = \widetilde{u}_0(x), u'(x, 0) = \widetilde{u}_1(x),$$

$$u \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^1), u'?L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2),$$

$$k \in H^1(0, T), \Phi \in L^2(Q_T).$$

$$(3.62)$$

Then we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \|u'(t)\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|u_1\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u_0\|_{\eta}^2 - k(0) \int_0^t \|u(r)\|_{\eta}^2 dr 
+ \int_0^t k(t-s)a(u(s), u(t))ds - \int_0^t dr \int_0^r k'(r-s)a(u(s), u(r))ds 
+ \int_0^t < \Phi(s), u'(s) > ds, \quad a.e. \quad t \in [0, T].$$
(3.63)

Furthermore, if  $u_0 = u_1 = 0$  there is equality in (3.63).

The idea of the proof is the same as in [4, Lemma 2.1, p. 79].

We now return to the proof of the uniqueness of a solution of the problem (3.3)-(3.5). Let  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$  be two weak solutions of problem (3.3)-(3.5), such that

$$u_i \in W(T), u_i^{\prime\prime}, u_{ixx} \in L^{q'}(0, T; (H^1)^{\prime}), i = 1, 2.$$
 (3.64)

Then  $u = u_1 - u_2$  is the weak solution of the following problem

$$u'' - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t - s)u_{xx}(s)ds + \psi_q(u_1') - \psi_q(u_2') = 0,$$

$$u_x(0, t) - u(0, t) = u_x(1, t) + \eta u(1, t) = 0,$$

$$u(0) = u'(0) = 0,$$

$$u \in W(T), u'', u_{xx} \in L^{q'}(0, T; (H^1)').$$
(3.65)

By using Lemma 3.2 with  $u_0 = u_1 = 0$ ,  $\Phi = -\psi_q(u_1^{\prime}) + \psi_q(u_2^{\prime})$ , we have

$$\sigma(t) = 2 \int_0^t k(t-s)a(u(s), u(t))ds - 2k(0) \int_0^t ||u(r)||_{\eta}^2 dr - 2 \int_0^t dr \int_0^r k'(r-s)a(u(s), u(r))ds,$$
(3.66)

where

$$\sigma(t) = \|u'(t)\|^2 + \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2\int_0^t \left\langle \psi_q(u_1'(s)) - \psi_q(u_2'(s)), u'(s) \right\rangle ds.$$
 (3.67)

By using the same computations as in the above part we obtain from (3.66) that

$$\sigma(t) = 2\left(1 + 2\|k\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} + 2|k(0)| + \|k'\|_{L^{1}(0,T)}^{2}\right) \int_{0}^{t} \sigma(r)dr.$$
 (3.68)

By Gronwall's lemma, we deduce that  $\sigma(t)=0$  and Theorem 3.1 is completely proved.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let T > 0 and (H1) - (H4) hold. Then there exists  $T_1 \in (0,T)$  such that problem (1.1)- (1.3) has a unique weak solution  $u \in W(T_1)$  and such that

$$u^{//}, u_{xx} \in L^{q'}(0, T_1; (H^1)^{/}).$$
 (3.69)

*Proof.* For each  $T_1 > 0$ , we put

$$W_1(T_1) = \left\{ v \in L^{\infty}(0, T_1; H^1) : v_t \in L^{\infty}(0, T_1; L^2) \right\}. \tag{3.70}$$

Then  $W_1(T_1)$  is a Banach space with respect to the norm (see [5]):

$$||v||_{W_1(T_1)} = ||v||_{L^{\infty}(0,T_1;H^1)} + ||v_t||_{L^{\infty}(0,T_1;L^2)}, v \in W_1(T_1).$$
(3.71)

For M > 0 and  $T_1 > 0$ , we put

$$B(M, T_1) = \left\{ v \in W_1(T_1) : \|v\|_{W_1(T_1)} \le M \right\}. \tag{3.72}$$

We also define the operator F from  $B(M, T_1)$  into  $W(T_1)$  by u = F(v), where u is the unique solution of problem (3.3)- (3.5). We would like to show that F is a contraction operator from  $B(M, T_1)$  into itself. Applying the contraction mapping theorem, the operator F has a fixed point in  $B(M, T_1)$  that is also a weak solution of the problem (1.1)- (1.3).

First, by Theorem 3.1, we note that the unique solution of problem (3.3)- (3.5) satisfies (3.7), (3.8), (3.9). On the other hand, it follows from (H3), that

$$\int_{0}^{t} \|f(\cdot, s, v(s))\|^{2} ds \leq 2 \int_{0}^{t} \|f(\cdot, s, v(s)) - f(\cdot, s, 0)\|^{2} ds 
+ 2 \int_{0}^{t} \|f(\cdot, s, 0)\|^{2} ds 
\leq 2T_{1} K_{1}^{2} M^{2} + 2 \int_{0}^{T} \|f(\cdot, s, 0)\|^{2} ds,$$
(3.73)

where

$$K_1 = K_1(M, T, f)$$

$$= \sup \left\{ |D_3 f(x, t, u)| : 0 \le x \le 1, 0 \le t \le T, |u| \le \sqrt{2M} \right\}.$$
(3.74)

It follows from (3.7)-(3.10) and (3.73) that

$$||u'(t)||^{2} + ||u(t)||_{\eta}^{2} + 2 \int_{0}^{t} ||u'(s)||_{L^{q}}^{q} ds$$

$$\leq (C_{1T} + 2T_{1}K_{1}^{2}M^{2}) \exp(T_{1}C_{2T}), \forall t \in [0, T_{1}],$$
(3.75)

where

$$C_{1T} = C_{1T} \left( \widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{u}_1, k, g \right) = 2 \left[ \|\widetilde{u}_1\|^2 + \|\widetilde{u}_0\|_{\eta}^2 + 2 |g_1(0)\widetilde{u}_0(1)| + 6 \|g_1\|_{L^{\infty}(0,T)}^2 + 2 \|g_1'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + 2 \int_0^T \|f(\cdot, s, 0)\|^2 ds \right],$$

$$C_{2T} = C_{2T}(k) = 2 \left[ 3 + 2|k(0)| + 6 \|k\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + T \|k'\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 \right].$$

$$(3.76)$$

By choosing M > 0 large enough so that  $C_{1_T} = \frac{1}{4}M^2$ , then  $T_1$  sufficiently small so that

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}M^2 + 2T_1K_1^2M^2\right)\exp(T_1C_{2T}) \le \frac{1}{2}M^2,\tag{3.77}$$

and

$$2\sqrt{2T_1}K_1exp\left[T_1\left(2+2|k(0)|+2\|k\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2+\|k'\|_{L^1(0,T)}^2\right)\right]<1.$$
 (3.78)

From (3.75), (3.77) we have  $||u||_{W_1(T_1)} \leq M$ , hence  $u \in B(M, T_1)$ . This shows that F maps  $B(M, T_1)$  into itself.

Next, we verify that F is a contraction. Let  $u_1 = F(v_1)$ ,  $u_2 = F(v_2)$ , where  $v_1, v_2 \in B(M, T_1)$ . Put  $U = u_1 - u_2$  and  $V = v_1 - v_2$ . Then U is the weak solution

of the following problem

$$U^{//} - U_{xx} + \int_{0}^{t} k(t - s)U_{xx}(s)ds + \psi_{q}(u_{1}^{/}) - \psi_{q}(u_{2}^{/})$$

$$= f(x, t, v_{1}(t)) - f(x, t, v_{2}(t)), 0 < x < 1, 0 < t < T_{1},$$

$$U_{x}(0, t) - U(0, t) = U_{x}(1, t) + \eta U(1, t) = 0,$$

$$U(0) = U^{/}(0) = 0,$$

$$U \in W(T_{1}); U^{//}, U_{xx} \in L^{q^{/}}(0, T_{1}; (H^{1})^{/}).$$

$$(3.79)$$

By using Lemma 3.2 with  $\widetilde{u}_0 = \widetilde{u}_1 = 0$ ,  $\Phi = -\psi_q(u_1') + \psi_q(u_2') + f(x, t, v_1(t)) - f(x, t, v_2(t))$ , we have

$$\delta(t) = -2k(0) \int_0^t ||U(r)||_{\eta}^2 dr + 2 \int_0^t k(t-s)a(U(s), U(t)) ds$$

$$-2 \int_0^t dr \int_0^r k'(r-s)a(U(s), U(r)) ds \qquad (3.80)$$

$$+2 \int_0^t \langle f(\cdot, s, v_1(s)) - f(\cdot, s, v_2(s)), U'(s) \rangle ds, \text{ a.e. } t \in [0, T1],$$

where

$$\delta(t) = \|U'(t)\|^2 + \|U(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2\int_0^t \left\langle \psi_q(u_1') - \psi_q(u_2'), U'(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$\geq \|U'(t)\|^2 + \|U(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + 2C_q \int_0^t \|U'(s)\|_{L^q}^q ds. \tag{3.81}$$

By the assumption (H4), we have

$$2\int_{0}^{t} \left\langle f(\cdot, s, v_{1}(s)) - f(\cdot, s, v_{2}(s)), U'(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{t} \|U'(s)\|^{2} ds + \int_{0}^{t} \|f(\cdot, s, v_{1}(s)) - f(\cdot, s, v_{2}(s))\|^{2} ds \qquad (3.82)$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{t} \|U'(s)\|^{2} ds + 2T_{1}K_{1}^{2}\|V\|_{W_{1}(T_{1})}^{2},$$

Therefore, we can prove in a similar manner as above that

$$\delta(t) \leq 2T_1 K_1^2 ||V||_{W_1(T_1)}^2 + 2\left(2 + 2|k(0)| + 2||k||_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + ||k'||_{L^1(0,T)}^2\right) \int_0^t \delta(s)ds.$$
(3.83)

By Gronwall's lemma, we obtain from (3.83) that

$$\delta(t) = 2 \left( \rho_1(k, K_1, T, T_1) \|V\|_{W_1(T_1)} \right)^2, \tag{3.84}$$

where

$$\rho_1(k, K_1, T, T_1) = \sqrt{2T_1} K_1 exp \left[ T_1 \left( 2 + 2|k(0)| + 2||k||_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + ||k'||_{L^1(0,T)}^2 \right) \right].$$
(3.85)

It follows from (3.81), (3.84) and (3.85) that

$$||U||_{W_1(T_1)} \le 2\rho_1(k, K_1, T, T_1)||V||_{W_1(T_1)}, \tag{3.86}$$

where

$$2\rho_1(k, K_1, T, T_1) < 1, (3.87)$$

since (3.78) and (3.85).

Hence, (3.86) shows that  $F: B(M,T_1) \to B(M,T_1)$  is a contraction. Applying the contraction mapping theorem, the operator F has a fixed point in  $B(M,T_1)$ that is also a weak solution of the problem (1.1)- (1.3).

The solution of the problem (1.1)- (1.3) is unique, that can be showed using the same arguments as in the proof of Theorem 3.1. The proof of Theorem 3.3 is completed.

**Remark 3.4.** In the case of  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $f(x,t,u) = |u|^{p-2}u$ , p > 2,  $k \in W^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ ,  $k \ge 0$ , k(0) > 0,  $0 < \int_0^{+\infty} k(t)dt < 1$ ,  $k/(t) + \zeta k(t) \le 0$  for all  $t \ge 0$ , with  $\zeta > 0$ , and the boundary condition u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0 standing for (1.2), S. Berrimia, S. A. Messaoudi [1] has obtained a global existence and uniqueness theorem.

## 4. Decay of solution

In this part, we will consider the problem of global existence and asymptotic behavior for  $t \to +\infty$ . We assume that g(t) = 0,  $f(x,t,u) = F(x,t) - |u|^{p-2}u$ ,  $p \geq 2$  and consider the following problem

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t-s)u_{xx}(s)ds + |u|^{p-2}u + |u_t|^{q-2}u_t$$

$$= F(x,t), 0 < x < 1, t > 0,$$

$$u_x(0,t) = u(0,t), u_x(1,t) + \eta u(1,t) = 0,$$

$$u(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_0(x), u_t(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_1(x),$$

$$(4.1)$$

We make the following assumptions:

- $(H1) \eta > 0, p, q > 2,$
- $(\widetilde{H}2)$   $k \in W^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}_+), k \geq 0$ , satisfying
  - (i)  $k(0) > 0, 0 < 1 \int_0^{+\infty} k(t)dt = k_{\infty} < 1,$
  - (ii) there exists a positive constant  $\zeta$  such that  $k'(t) + \zeta k(t) \leq 0$  for all  $t \ge 0$ ,
- $(\widetilde{H}3)$   $\widetilde{u}_0 \in H^2$  and  $\widetilde{u}_1 \in H^1$ ,
- $(\widetilde{H}4)$   $F \in L^1(0,\infty;L^2) \cap L^2(0,\infty;L^2), F_t \in L^1(0,\infty;L^2),$   $(\widetilde{H}5)$  There exists a constant  $\sigma > 0$  such that  $\int_0^\infty e^{st} ||F(t)||^2 dt < +\infty.$

Under assumptions (H1)-(H4) and let T>0, by theorem 2.3, the problem (4.1)has a unique weak solution u(t) such that

$$u \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^2), u_t \in L^{\infty}(0, T; H^1), u_{tt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2).$$
 (4.2)

Then, we have the following

**Lemma 4.1.** Suppose that  $(\widetilde{H}1) - (\widetilde{H}4)$  hold. Then there is a unique solution u(t)of problem (4.1) defined on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . Moreover

$$||u'(t)|| + ||u(t)||_{\eta} \le C \quad \text{for all} \quad t \ge 0,$$
 (4.3)

where C is a positive constant depending only on  $\widetilde{u}_0$ ,  $\widetilde{u}_1$ , F,  $k_{\infty}$  and p.

*Proof.* By multiplying the equation  $(4.1)_1$  by  $u_t$  and integrate over  $(0,1)\times(0,t)$  we obtain

$$E(t) + 2 \int_{0}^{t} \|u'(s)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} ds + \int_{0}^{t} k(s) \|u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$- \int_{0}^{t} dr \int_{0}^{r} k'(r-s) \|u(s) - u(r)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$= E(0) + 2 \int_{0}^{t} \langle F(s), u'(s) \rangle ds,$$

$$(4.4)$$

where

$$E(t) = \|u'(t)\|^2 + \left(1 - \int_0^t k(s)ds\right) \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^2 + \frac{2}{p} \|u(t)\|_{L^p}^p + \int_0^t k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^2 ds.$$

$$(4.5)$$

On the other hand, by  $(\tilde{H}4)$  and the Cauchy's inequality, we obtain

$$2\int_{0}^{t} \left\langle F(s), u'(s) \right\rangle ds \le \int_{0}^{t} \|F(s)\| ds + \int_{0}^{t} \|F(s)\| \|u'(s)\|^{2} ds$$

$$\le \int_{0}^{+\infty} \|F(s)\| ds + \int_{0}^{t} \|F(s)\| E(s) ds. \tag{4.6}$$

By Gronwall's lemma, we obtain from (4.4) and (4.6) that

$$E(t) \le \left( E(0) + \int_0^{+\infty} ||F(s)|| ds \right) exp\left( \int_0^t ||F(s)|| ds \right)$$

$$\le \left( E(0) + \int_0^{+\infty} ||F(s)|| ds \right) exp\left( \int_0^{+\infty} ||F(s)|| ds \right) = C, \forall t \ge 0.$$
(4.7)

By  $(\widetilde{H}3, i)$ , we have

$$E(t) \ge \|u'(t)\|^2 + \left(1 - \int_0^t k(s)ds\right) \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^2 \ge \|u'(t)\|^2 + k_{\infty} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^2. \tag{4.8}$$

Then we obtain (4.3) from (4.7) and (4.8). This completes the proof of Lemma 4.1.

In this section we state and prove decay result.

**Theorem 4.2.** Suppose that  $(\widetilde{H}1) - (\widetilde{H}5)$  hold. Then the solution u(t) of problem (4.1) decays exponentially to zero as  $t \to +\infty$  in the following sense: there exist the positive constants N and  $\gamma$  such that

$$||u'(t)|| + ||u(t)||_n \le Ne^{-\gamma t}$$
 for all  $t \ge 0$ . (4.9)

*Proof.* We use the following functional

$$\Gamma(t) = \Gamma(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, t) = E(t) + \varepsilon_1 E_1(t) + \varepsilon_2 E_2(t), \tag{4.10}$$

where

$$E_1(t) = \langle u(t), u'(t) \rangle,$$
 (4.11)

$$E_2(t) = -\int_0^t k(t-s) \left\langle u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds.$$
 (4.12)

Estimating  $\Gamma(t)$ .

By (2.3), (2.4), we obtain from  $(\widetilde{H}2, i)$  that

$$|E_1(t)| = \left| \langle u(t), u'(t) \rangle \right| \le \frac{1}{2} ||u'(t)||^2 + ||u(t)||_{\eta}^2,$$
 (4.13)

$$|E_{2}(t)| = \left| \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left\langle u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||u'(t)||^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ||u(t) - u(s)|| ds \right)^{2}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||u'(t)||^{2} + (1 - k_{\infty}) \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ||u(t) - u(s)||_{\eta}^{2} ds.$$

$$(4.14)$$

Hence, it follows from (4.10)-(4.14) that for  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\varepsilon_2$  small enough, there exist two positive constants  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$ , such that

$$\alpha_1 E(t) \le \Gamma(t) \le \alpha_2 E(t).$$
 (4.15)

Estimating  $\Gamma^{/}(t)$ .

Now differentiating (4.4) with respect to t, we have

$$E'(t) = -2\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} + \int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$-k(t)\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + 2\left\langle F(t), u'(t)\right\rangle$$

$$\leq -2\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} + \int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds + 2\left\langle F(t), u'(t)\right\rangle,$$

$$(4.16)$$

since  $k(t) \geq 0$ .

By multiplying the equation  $(4.1)_1$  by u and integrate over (0,1) we obtain

$$E_{1}'(t) = \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} - \|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \langle F(t), u(t) \rangle$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a(u(s), u(t))ds - \langle |u'(t)|^{q-2}u'(t), u(t) \rangle$$

$$= \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} - \|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \langle F(t), u(t) \rangle + I_{1}(t) + I_{2}(t).$$

$$(4.17)$$

We now estimate the last two terms in the right side of (4.17) as follows

Estimating  $I_1(t)$ .

Using the inequality

$$ab \le \frac{\delta}{r}a^r + \frac{r-1}{r}\delta^{\frac{-r}{r-1}}b^{\frac{r}{r-1}}, \forall a, b \ge 0, \forall r > 1, \forall \delta > 0, \tag{4.18}$$

we have

$$\begin{split} I_{1}(t) &= \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a(u(s), u(t))ds \\ &= \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a\left(u(s) - u(t), u(t)\right)ds + \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2}ds \\ &\leq \delta_{1}\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{1}} \left(\int_{0}^{t} k(s)ds\right) \left(\int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2}ds\right) \\ &+ \left(\int_{0}^{t} k(s)ds\right)\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} \\ &\leq \delta_{1}\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1-k_{\infty}}{4\delta_{1}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2}ds \\ &+ (1-k_{\infty})\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} \\ &\leq (\delta_{1} + 1 - k_{\infty})\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1-k_{\infty}}{4\delta_{1}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2}ds, \end{split}$$

$$(4.19)$$

for all  $\delta_1 > 0$ .

Estimating  $I_2(t)$ .

We again use inequality (4.18) we obtain from (4.3) that

$$\begin{split} I_{2}(t) &= -\left\langle |u'(t)|^{q-2}u'(t), u(t)\right\rangle \leq \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q-1}\|u(t)\|_{L^{q}} \\ &\leq \frac{\delta_{1}^{q}}{q}\|u(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} + \frac{q-1}{q}\delta_{1}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} \\ &\leq 2\frac{\delta_{1}^{q}}{q}\left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{q-2}\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{q-1}{q}\delta_{1}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q}, \end{split} \tag{4.20}$$

for all  $\delta_1 > 0$ .

By combining (4.17), (4.19) and (4.20), we obtain

$$E_{1}'(t) \leq -\|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \left(k_{\infty} - \delta_{1} - 2\frac{\delta_{1}^{q}}{q}\left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{q-2}\right)\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{q-1}{q}\delta_{1}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} + \frac{1-k_{\infty}}{4\delta_{1}}\int_{0}^{t}k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2}ds + \langle F(t), u(t)\rangle.$$

$$(4.21)$$

Then, we can always choose the constant  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that

$$\gamma_1 = k_\infty - \delta_1 - 2\frac{\delta_1^q}{q} \left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{q-2} > 0.$$
 (4.22)

This implies that

$$E_{1}'(t) \leq -\|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \gamma_{1}\|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \gamma_{2}\|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} + \gamma_{3} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)\|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds + \langle F(t), u(t) \rangle,$$

$$(4.23)$$

where

$$\gamma_2 = \frac{q-1}{q} \delta_1^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}, \gamma_3 = \frac{1-k_\infty}{4\delta_1}.$$
 (4.24)

Direct calculations give

$$E_{2}'(t) = -\left(\int_{0}^{t} k(s)ds\right) \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s) \left\langle u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a(u(t), u(t) - u(s))ds$$

$$- \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a \left(\int_{0}^{t} k(t-\tau)u(\tau)d\tau, u(t) - u(s)\right) ds$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left\langle |u(t)|^{p-2}u(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left\langle |u'(t)|^{q-2}u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$- \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left\langle F(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds = \sum_{i=1}^{7} J_{i}(t).$$

$$(4.25)$$

Similarly to (4.17), we estimate respectively the following terms on the right-hand side of (4.25) as follows.

Estimating  $J_1(t)$ .

Since k is continuous and k(0) > 0 then there exists  $t_0 > 0$ , such that

$$\int_0^t k(s)ds \ge \int_0^{t_0} k(s)ds = k_0 > 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad t \ge t_0.$$
 (4.26)

Hence,

$$J_1(t) = -\left(\int_0^t k(s)ds\right) \|u'(t)\|^2 \le -k_0 \|u'(t)\|^2 \quad \text{for all} \quad t \ge t_0.$$
 (4.27)

Estimating  $J_2(t)$ .

$$J_{2}(t) = -\int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s) \left\langle u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \|u'(t)\|^{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} |k'(t-s)| ds \right) \left( \int_{0}^{t} |k'(t-s)| \|u(s) - u(t)\|^{2} ds \right)$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \|u'(t)\|^{2} + \frac{1}{2\delta_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} |k'(t-s)| ds \right) \left( \int_{0}^{t} |k'(t-s)| \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds \right)$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \|u'(t)\|^{2} - \frac{k(0)}{2\delta_{2}} \int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds.$$

$$(4.28)$$

Estimating  $J_3(t)$ .

$$J_{3}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a(u(t), u(t) - u(s)) ds$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(s)ds \right) \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds \right)$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1 - k_{\infty}}{4\delta_{2}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$(4.29)$$

Estimating  $J_4(t)$ .

$$J_{4}(t) = -\int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)a \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-\tau)u(\tau)d\tau, u(t) - u(s) \right) ds$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{t} k(t-\tau)||u(\tau)||_{\eta}d\tau \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)||u(s) - u(t)||_{\eta}ds$$

$$\leq \delta_{2} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-\tau)||u(\tau)||_{\eta}d\tau \right)^{2}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)||u(s) - u(t)||_{\eta}ds \right)^{2}$$

$$\leq 2\delta_{2} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-\tau)||u(\tau)||_{\eta}d\tau \right)^{2}$$

$$+ \left( 2\delta_{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \right) \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)||u(s) - u(t)||_{\eta}ds \right)^{2}$$

$$\leq 2\delta_{2}(1-k_{\infty})^{2}||u(t)||_{\eta}^{2}$$

$$+ \left( 2\delta_{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \right) (1-k_{\infty}) \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s)||u(s) - u(t)||_{\eta}^{2}ds.$$

$$(4.30)$$

Estimating  $J_5(t)$ .

$$J_{5}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \langle |u(t)|^{p-2} u(t), u(t) - u(s) \rangle ds$$

$$\leq 2 \left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{p-2} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ||u(t)||_{\eta} ||u(t) - u(s)||_{\eta} ds$$

$$\leq 2 \left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{p-2} \left[ \delta_{2} ||u(t)||_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ||u(t) - u(s)||_{\eta} ds \right)^{2} \right]$$

$$\leq 2 \left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{p-2} \left[ \delta_{2} ||u(t)||_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} (1 - k_{\infty}) \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ||u(t) - u(s)||_{\eta}^{2} ds \right].$$

$$(4.31)$$

Estimating  $J_6(t)$ . We again use inequality (4.18) with  $r=q, \ \delta=\delta_2$ , we obtain from (4.3) that

$$\left\langle |u'(t)|^{q-2}u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle \leq ||u'(t)||_{L^{q}}^{q-1}||u(t) - u(s)||_{L^{q}}$$

$$\leq \frac{\delta_{2}^{q}}{q}||u(t) - u(s)||_{L^{q}}^{q} + \frac{q-1}{q}\delta_{2}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}||u'(t)||_{L^{q}}^{q}$$

$$\leq 2\frac{\delta_{2}^{q}}{q}\left(2\sqrt{2}C\right)^{q-2}||u(t) - u(s)||_{\eta}^{2} + \frac{q-1}{q}\delta_{2}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}||u'(t)||_{L^{q}}^{q}.$$

$$(4.32)$$

It follows from (4.32) that

$$J_{6}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left\langle |u'(t)|^{q-2} u'(t), u(t) - u(s) \right\rangle ds$$

$$\leq 2 \frac{\delta_{2}^{q}}{q} \left( 2\sqrt{2}C \right)^{q-2} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$+ \frac{q-1}{q} \delta_{2}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}} \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ds$$

$$\leq 2 \frac{\delta_{2}^{q}}{q} \left( 2\sqrt{2}C \right)^{q-2} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$+ \frac{q-1}{q} \delta_{2}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}} (1-k_{\infty}) \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q}$$

$$(4.33)$$

Estimating  $J_7(t)$ 

$$J_{7}(t) = -\int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \langle F(t), u(t) - u(s) \rangle ds$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|F(t)\| \|u(t) - u(s)\| ds$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \|F(t)\|^{2} + \delta_{2} \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) ds \right) \left( \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|^{2} ds \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \|F(t)\|^{2} + 2\delta_{2} (1 - k_{\infty}) \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds.$$

$$(4.34)$$

By combining (4.25), (4.27)-(4.31), (4.33) and (4.34), we obtain

$$E_{2}'(t) = -(k_{0} - \delta_{2}) \|u'(t)\|^{2} + \delta_{2} \widehat{\gamma}_{1} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + \widehat{\gamma}_{2} \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q}$$

$$+ \widehat{\gamma}_{3} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds$$

$$- \widehat{\gamma}_{4} \int_{0}^{t} k'(t-s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds + \frac{1}{4\delta_{2}} \|F(t)\|^{2},$$

$$(4.35)$$

where

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{1} = 1 + 2(1 - k_{\infty})^{2} + 2\left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{p-2},$$

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{2} = \frac{q}{q-1}\delta_{2}^{\frac{-q}{q-1}}(1 - k_{\infty}),$$

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{3} = 2\frac{\delta_{2}^{q}}{q}\left(2\sqrt{2}C\right)^{q-2} + (1 - k_{\infty})\left[\frac{1}{2\delta_{2}}\left(\sqrt{2}C\right)^{p-2} + \left(4\delta_{2} + \frac{1}{2\delta_{2}}\right)\right],$$

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{4} = \frac{k(0)}{2\delta_{2}}.$$

$$(4.36)$$

Combining of (4.10), (4.16), (4.23) and (4.35), we obtain

$$\Gamma^{/}(t) + \varepsilon_{1} \|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + ((k_{0} - \delta_{2})\varepsilon_{2} - \varepsilon_{1}) \|u^{/}(t)\|^{2} 
+ (\varepsilon_{1}\gamma_{1} - \varepsilon_{2}\delta_{2}\widehat{\gamma}_{1}) \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + (2 - \varepsilon_{1}\gamma_{2} - \varepsilon_{2}\widehat{\gamma}_{2}) \|u^{/}(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} 
- (\varepsilon_{1}\gamma_{3} + \varepsilon_{2}\widehat{\gamma}_{3}) \int_{0}^{t} k(t - s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds 
- (1 - \varepsilon_{2}\widehat{\gamma}_{4}) \int_{0}^{t} k^{/}(t - s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds 
\leq \left\langle F(t), 2u^{/}(t) + \varepsilon_{1}u(t) \right\rangle + \frac{\varepsilon_{2}}{4\delta_{2}} \|F(t)\|^{2}.$$
(4.37)

Whence  $\delta_1$  is fixed, choosing

$$\delta_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k(0)\gamma_1}{\gamma_1 + \hat{\gamma}_1}, \varepsilon_2 = \frac{2}{k_0} \varepsilon_1, \quad \text{where} \quad \varepsilon_1 > 0 \quad \text{is arbitrary}, \tag{4.38}$$

we deduce from (4.37) and (4.38) that

$$\Gamma'(t) + \varepsilon_{1} \|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \frac{\varepsilon_{1} \widehat{\gamma}_{1}}{\gamma_{1} + \widehat{\gamma}_{1}} \|u'(t)\|^{2} + \frac{\varepsilon_{1} \gamma_{1}^{2}}{\gamma_{1} + \widehat{\gamma}_{1}} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} 
+ \left(2 - \varepsilon_{1} \left(1 + \frac{2}{k(0)} \widehat{\gamma}_{2}\right)\right) \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} 
- \varepsilon_{1} \left(\gamma_{3} + \frac{2}{k(0)} \widehat{\gamma}_{3}\right) \int_{0}^{t} k(t - s) \|u(t) - u(s)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds 
- \left(1 - \frac{2}{k(0)} \varepsilon_{1} \widehat{\gamma}_{4}\right) \int_{0}^{t} k'(t - s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds 
\leq \left\langle F(t), 2u'(t) + \varepsilon_{1} u(t) \right\rangle + \frac{\varepsilon_{1}}{k_{0}^{2}} \left(1 + \frac{\widehat{\gamma}_{1}}{\gamma_{1}}\right) \|F(t)\|^{2}.$$
(4.39)

Next, we choose  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ , with

$$\varepsilon_1 < \min\left\{\frac{\zeta}{\gamma_3 + \frac{2}{k_0}\widehat{\gamma}_3 + \frac{2}{k_0}\widehat{\gamma}_4\zeta}, \frac{2}{1 + \frac{2}{k_0}\widehat{\gamma}_2}\right\}$$

and (4.15) is satisfied, then by the assumption  $(\widetilde{H}2, ii)$ , we deduce that

$$\Gamma'(t) + \varepsilon_{1} \|u(t)\|_{L^{p}}^{p} + \frac{\varepsilon_{1} \widehat{\gamma}_{1}}{\gamma_{1} + \widehat{\gamma}_{1}} \|u'(t)\|^{2} + \frac{\varepsilon_{1} \gamma_{1}^{2}}{\gamma_{1} + \widehat{\gamma}_{1}} \|u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} + k_{1} \|u'(t)\|_{L^{q}}^{q} 
+ k_{2} \int_{0}^{t} k(t - s) \|u(s) - u(t)\|_{\eta}^{2} ds 
\leq \left\langle F(t), 2u'(t) + \varepsilon_{1} u(t) \right\rangle + k_{3} \|F(t)\|^{2},$$
(4.40)

where

$$k_{1} = 2 - \varepsilon_{1} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{k_{0}} \widehat{\gamma}_{2} \right) > 0,$$

$$k_{2} = \zeta \left( 1 - \frac{2}{k_{0}} \varepsilon_{1} \widehat{\gamma}_{4} \right) - \varepsilon_{1} \left( \gamma_{3} + \frac{2}{k_{0}} \widehat{\gamma}_{3} \right) > 0,$$

$$k_{3} = \frac{\varepsilon_{1}}{k_{0}^{2}} \left( 1 + \frac{\widehat{\gamma}_{1}}{\gamma_{1}} \right).$$

$$(4.41)$$

By combining (4.5), (4.15) and (4.40), we can always choose the constant  $\tilde{\gamma} > 0$  is independent of t such that

$$\Gamma'(t) + 2\widetilde{\gamma}\Gamma(t) \le \left\langle F(t), 2u'(t) + \varepsilon_1 u(t) \right\rangle + k_3 \|F(t)\|^2, \tag{4.42}$$

for all  $t \geq t_0$ .

On ther other hand,

$$\langle F(t), 2u'(t) + \varepsilon_1 u(t) \rangle + k_3 ||F(t)||^2 \le \widetilde{N} ||F(t)||^2 + \widetilde{\gamma} \Gamma(t),$$
 (4.43)

for some constant  $\widetilde{N} > 0$ . Therefore

$$\Gamma'(t) + \widetilde{\gamma}\Gamma(t) \le \widetilde{N} ||F(t)||^2 \quad \text{for all} \quad t \ge t_0.$$
 (4.44)

Putting  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}min\{\sigma, \tilde{\gamma}\}\$ . A simple integration of (4.44) over  $(t_0, t)$  gives

$$\Gamma(t) \le \left[ \Gamma(t_0) e^{\sigma t_0} + \widetilde{N} \int_{t_0}^{+\infty} e^{\sigma s} ||F(s)||^2 ds \right] e^{-2\gamma t} = N_1 e^{-2\gamma t}, \tag{4.45}$$

for all  $t \geq t_0$ .

By the boundedness of  $\Gamma(t)$  on  $[0, t_0]$ , we deduce from (4.45) that

$$\Gamma(t) = \|\Gamma\|_{L^{\infty}(0,t_0)} e^{-2\gamma(t-t_0)} + N_1 e^{-2\gamma t} = N_2 e^{-2\gamma t}, \tag{4.46}$$

for all t > 0.

By (4.15), it follows from (4.46) that

$$E(t) \le \frac{1}{\alpha_1} \Gamma(t) \le \frac{1}{\alpha_1} N_2 e^{-2\gamma t}$$
, for all  $t \ge 0$ . (4.47)

This completes the proof of Theorem 4.2.

**Remark 4.3.** The estimate (4.9) holds for any regular solution corresponding to  $(\widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{u}_1) \in H^2 \times H^1$ . This remains holds for solutions corresponding to  $(\widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{u}_1) \in H^1 \times L^2$  by simple density argument.

#### 5. Numerical results

Consider the following problem:

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} + \int_0^t k(t-s)u_{xx}(s)ds + u_t^3 = u^2 + F(x,t), 0 < x < 1, 0 < t < T, \quad (5.1)$$

with boundary conditions

$$u_x(0,t) = u(0,t), u_x(1,t) + u(1,t) = 0, (5.2)$$

and initial conditions

$$u(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_0(x), u_t(x,0) = \widetilde{u}_1(x),$$
 (5.3)

where

$$\widetilde{u}_0(x) = -x^2 + x + 1, \widetilde{u}_1(x) = -\widetilde{u}_0(x), k(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-t},$$
(5.4)

$$F(x,t) = (2-t)e^{-t} + U_{ex}(1 - U_{ex} - U_{ex}^2),$$
(5.5)

where

$$U_{ex}(x,t) = (-x^2 + x + 1)e^{-t}. (5.6)$$

The exact solution of the problem (5.1)-(5.3) with  $\tilde{u}_0(x)$ ,  $\tilde{u}_1(x)$ , k(t) and F(x,t) defined in (5.4) and (5.5) respectively, is the function  $U_{ex}$  given in (5.6). To solve

problem (5.1)-(5.3) numerically, we consider the differential system for the unknowns  $u_j(t)=u(x_j,t),\ v_j(t)=\frac{du_j}{dt}(t),$  with  $x_j=jh,\ h=\frac{1}{N},\ j=0,1,...,N$ :

$$\frac{du_{j}}{dt}(t) = v_{j}(t), j = 0, 1, ..., N,$$

$$\frac{dv_{0}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ -(1+h)u_{0}(t) + u_{1}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{1}{h^{2}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left[ -(1+h)u_{0}(s) + u_{1}(s) \right] ds - v_{0}^{3}(t) + u_{0}^{2}(t) + F(x_{0}, t),$$

$$\frac{dv_{j}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ u_{j-1}(t) - 2u_{j}(t) + u_{j+1}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{1}{h^{2}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left[ u_{j-1}(s) - 2u_{j}(s) + u_{j+1}(s) \right] ds$$

$$-v_{j}^{3}(t) + u_{j}^{2}(t) + F(x_{j}, t), j = 1, 2, ..., N - 1,$$

$$\frac{dv_{N}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ u_{N-1}(t) - (1+h)u_{N}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{1}{h^{2}} \int_{0}^{t} k(t-s) \left[ u_{N-1}(s) - (1+h)u_{N}(s) \right] ds - v_{N}^{3}(t) + u_{N}^{2}(t) + F(x_{N}, t),$$

$$u_{j}(0) = \tilde{u}_{0}(x_{j}), v_{j}(0) = \tilde{u}_{1}(x_{j}), j = 0, 1, ..., N.$$

$$(5.7)$$

To solve the nonlinear differential system (5.7), we use the following linear recursive scheme generated by the nonlinear term

$$\frac{du_{j}^{(n)}}{dt}(t) = v_{j}^{(n)}(t), j = 0, 1, ..., N,$$

$$\frac{dv_{0}^{(n)}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ -(1+h)u_{0}^{(n)}(t) + u_{1}^{(n)}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{\Delta t}{h^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}-1} k(t-i\Delta t) \left[ -(1+h)u_{0}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) + u_{1}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) \right]$$

$$-\left(v_{0}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{3} + \left(u_{0}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{3} + F(x_{0}, t),$$

$$\frac{dv_{j}^{(n)}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ u_{j-1}^{(n)}(t) - 2u_{j}^{(n)}(t) + u_{j+1}^{(n)}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{\Delta t}{h^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}-1} k(t-i\Delta t) \left[ u_{j-1}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) - 2u_{j}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) + u_{j+1}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) \right]$$

$$-\left(v_{j}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{3} + \left(u_{j}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{2} + F(x_{j}, t), j = 1, 2, ..., N - 1,$$

$$\frac{dv_{N}^{(n)}}{dt}(t) = \frac{1}{h^{2}} \left[ u_{N-1}^{(n)}(t) - (1+h)u_{N}^{(n)}(t) \right]$$

$$-\frac{\Delta t}{h^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}-1} k(t-i\Delta t) \left[ u_{N-1}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) - (1+h)u_{N}^{(n)}(i\Delta t) \right]$$

$$-\left(v_{N}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{3} + \left(u_{N}^{(n-1)}(t)\right)^{2} + F(x_{N}, t),$$

$$u_{j}^{(n)}(0) = \widetilde{u}_{0}(x_{j}), v_{j}^{(n)}(0) = \widetilde{u}_{1}(x_{j}), j = 0, 1, ..., N,$$

and where  $u_j^{(n)}(i\Delta t)$ ,  $i=1,...,N_1-1$ , j=0,1,...,N, of the system (5.8) being calculated at the time  $t=N_1\Delta t$ .

The latter system is solved by a spectral method and since the matrix of this system is very ill-conditioned so we have to regularize it by adding to the diagonal terms a small parameter in order to have a good accuracy of the convergence.

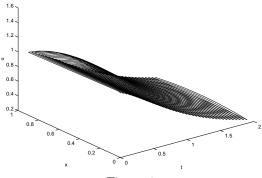


Figure 1

In fig. 1 we have drawn the approximated solution of the problem (5.1)-(5.5) while fig.2 represents his corresponding exact solution (5.6).

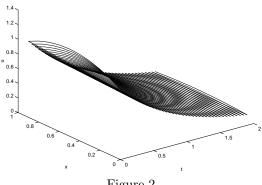
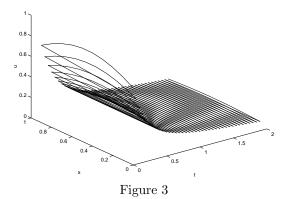


Figure 2

The fig.3 corresponds to the surface  $(x,t) \mapsto u(x,t)$  approximated solution in the case where F(x,t) = 0. So in both cases we notice the very good decay of these surfaces from T=0 to T=2.



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