# A GLOBAL NONEXISTENCE RESULT FOR THE NONLINEARLY DAMPED MULTI-DIMENSIONAL BOUSSINESQ EQUATION 

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## الخلاصــة

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#### Abstract

In this paper we consider a multi-dimensional nonlinear initial-boundary value problem related to the Boussinesq equation and prove a global nonexistence result. This work improves an earlier one by Gmira and Guedda [1].


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Boussinesq equation

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\begin{equation*}
u_{t t}+\alpha u_{x x x x}-u_{x x}=\beta\left(u^{2}\right)_{x x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t>0 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\alpha, \beta>0$, was first derived by Boussinesq [2] in 1872 and since then very many mathematicians have studied it and used it to model real world problems such as the propagation of long waves on shallow water and oscillations of nonlinear elastic beams. Varlamov [3] considered the damped equation of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{t t}-2 b u_{t x x}+\alpha u_{x x x x}-u_{x x}=\beta\left(u^{2}\right)_{x x}, \quad x \in(0, \pi), \quad t>0 \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

for small initial data and constructed, for the case $\alpha>b^{2}$, the solution in the form of a Fourier series. He also showed that, on $[0, T), T<\infty$, the solution of (1.1) is obtained by letting $b$ go to zero. In 2001, Varlamov [4] improved his earlier result by considering the three-dimensional version of (1.2) in the unit ball and used the eigenfunctions of the Laplace operator to construct solutions. He examined the problem, for homogeneous boundary conditions and small initial data, and obtained global mild solutions in appropriate Sobolev spaces. He also addressed the issue of the uniqueness and the long-time behavior of the solution. Lai and Wu [5] considered the following more generalized equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{t t}-a u_{t t x x}-2 b u_{t x x}+c u_{x x x x}-u_{x x}=-p^{2} u+\beta\left(u^{2}\right)_{x x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t>0 \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $a, b, c>0, p \neq 0$, and $\beta$ is a real number. They used the Fourier transform and the perturbation theory to establish the well-posedness of global solutions to small initial data for the Cauchy problem. The same techniques have been applied by Lai et al. [6] to establish a global existence and an exponential decay results for an initial-boundary value problem related to (1.3).

For the nonexistence, we mention the result of Levine and Sleeman [7], in which the authors considered an initial boundary value problem related to the eqaution

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{t t}=3 u_{x x x x}+u_{x x}-12\left(u^{2}\right)_{x x} \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and showed that, under appropriate conditions for the initial data, no positive weak or classical solution can exist for all time. Recently Bayrack and Can [8] studied the behavior of a one-dimensional riser vibrating due to effects of waves and current involving linear dissipation. Precisely, they looked into the following problem

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
u_{t t}+\alpha u_{t}+2 \beta u_{x x x x}-2\left[(a x+b) u_{x}\right]_{x}+\frac{\beta}{3}\left(u_{x}^{3}\right)_{x x x}  \tag{1.5}\\
-\left[(a x+b) u_{x}^{3}\right]_{x}-\beta\left(u_{x x}^{2} u_{x}\right)_{x}=f(u),(x, t) \in(0,1) \times(0, T) \\
u(x, 0)=u_{0}(x), u_{t}(x, 0)=u_{1}(x), x \in(0,1) \\
u(0, t)=u(1, t)=0, u_{x x}(0, t)=u_{x x}(1, t)=0, t \in(0, T)
\end{array}\right.
$$

and proved that, under suitable conditions on $f$ and the initial data, all solutions of (1.5) blow up in finite time in the $L^{2}$ space. To establish their result, the authors used the standard concavity method due to [9]. Gmira and Guedda [1] extended the result of [8] to the multi-dimensional version of the problem (1.5). So, they considered

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
u_{t t}+\rho(x) u_{t}+\beta \triangle^{2} u-\operatorname{div}(g(x) \nabla u)+\Gamma \triangle\left(|\nabla u|^{2} \triangle u\right)  \tag{1.6}\\
-\operatorname{div}\left(h(x)|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u\right)-\Gamma \operatorname{div}\left((\triangle u)^{2} \nabla u\right)=f(u)
\end{array}\right.
$$

and established a nonexistence result, under suitable conditions on $u_{0}, u_{1}, f$, by using the "modified" concavity method introduced in [10]. The use of the latter method by Gmira and Guedda allowed them to remove the condition of cooperative initial data $\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x>0\right)$ imposed by Bayrack and Can [8]. However, some conditions can be further weakened.

In this paper we are concerned with the following nonlinearly damped problem

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
u_{t t}+\rho(x)\left|u_{t}\right|^{m-2} u_{t}+\beta \triangle^{2} u-\operatorname{div}(g(x) \nabla u)+\Gamma \triangle\left(|\nabla u|^{2} \triangle u\right)  \tag{1.7}\\
-\operatorname{div}\left(h(x)|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u\right)-\Gamma \operatorname{div}\left((\triangle u)^{2} \nabla u\right)=|u|^{l-2} u, \quad x \in \Omega, \quad t>0 \\
u(x, 0)=u_{0}(x), \quad u_{t}(x, 0)=u_{1}(x), x \in \Omega \\
u(x, t)=\frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta}(x, t)=0, x \in \partial \Omega, \quad t>0
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n}, n \geq 1$, is a bounded domain with sufficiently smooth boundary, $\eta$ is the unit outer normal on $\partial \Omega, \rho \geq 0$, is a smooth bounded function given on $\Omega, g, h \in C^{1}\left(\bar{\Omega}, \mathbb{R}^{+}\right), p, l, m \geq 1$, and $\beta$ and $\Gamma$ are nonnegative constants. In addition to allowing the damping to be nonlinear, we establish a blow up result under weaker conditions, than those required in [1], on the initial data as well as the constants $p, l$, and $m$. To achieve our goal we exploit the method of Georgiev and Todorova [11] (see also [12]). This work is divided into three sections. In Section two we state and demonstrate our main result. In Section three, the linear damping $(m=2)$ case is treated.

## 2. MAIN RESULT

In order to state and prove our result, we introduce the energy functional

$$
\begin{align*}
E(t)= & \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\frac{\beta}{2} \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x  \tag{2.1}\\
& +\frac{\Gamma}{2} \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2}|\nabla u|^{2} d x+\frac{1}{p} \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p}-\frac{1}{l} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{align*}
$$

Theorem 1. Assume that $m, p \geq 1$, and $l>\max \{4, m, p\}$. Assume further that

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(0)<0 \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then any classical solution of (1.7) blows up in finite time.

Remark 2.1. In [1], the authors require that $l>2(4+\gamma)>p, \gamma>0$, which is obviously stronger than our requirements on both $l$ and $p$. (See (2.4) of [1]). Moreover in [1], $l$ may depend on $\|\rho\|_{\infty}$ since $\gamma$ does (See (2.6) of [1] again).

Remark 2.2. The result can be established for weak solution by means of density.
Proof. A multiplication of Equation (1.7) by $u_{t}$ and integration over $\Omega$ yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
E^{\prime}(t)=-\int_{\Omega} \rho(x)\left|u_{t}\right|^{m} d x \leq 0 \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

By setting $H(t)=-E(t)$, we get from (2.1) and (2.2),

$$
\begin{equation*}
0<H(0) \leq H(t) \leq \frac{1}{l} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x, \quad \forall t \geq 0 \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

We then define

$$
\begin{equation*}
L(t)=H^{1-\sigma}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u u_{t} d x \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\varepsilon$ small to be chosen later and

$$
\begin{equation*}
0<\sigma \leq \min \left(\frac{l-m}{l(m-1)}, \frac{l-2}{2 l}\right) \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

By taking a derivative of (2.5) we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\prime}(t)=(1-\sigma) H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u u_{t t} d x \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using (1.7), Equation (2.7) becomes

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t)= & (1-\sigma) H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x  \tag{2.8}\\
& -\beta \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} \rho\left|u_{t}\right|^{m-2} u_{t} u d x \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x-2 \Gamma \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\Delta u)^{2} d x \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{align*}
$$

We then exploit Young's inequality to get

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Omega} \rho\left|u_{t}\right|^{m-1} u d x & \leq \frac{\lambda^{m}}{m} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x+\frac{m-1}{m} \lambda^{-m /(m-1)} \int_{\Omega}\left|\rho^{1 /(m-1)} u_{t}\right|^{m} d x \\
& \leq \frac{\lambda^{m}}{m} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x+b \frac{m-1}{m} \lambda^{-m /(m-1)} \int_{\Omega} \rho\left|u_{t}\right|^{m} d x
\end{aligned}
$$

where $b=\|\rho\|_{\infty}^{1 /(m-1)}$. This yields, by substitution in (2.8),

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & (1-\sigma) H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x \\
& -\beta \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon \frac{\lambda^{m}}{m} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x \\
& -\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} \lambda^{-m /(m-1)} \int_{\Omega} \rho\left|u_{t}\right|^{m} d x  \tag{2.9}\\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x-2 \Gamma \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, choosing $\lambda$ so that

$$
\lambda^{-m /(m-1)}=M H^{-\sigma}(t)
$$

for large $M$ to be specified later, and substituting in (2.9), we arrive at

$$
\begin{aligned}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & (1-\sigma) H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x \\
& -\beta \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{m} H^{\sigma(m-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x \\
& -\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)-\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x \\
& -2 \Gamma \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x
\end{aligned}
$$

That is

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & {\left[(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right] H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x } \\
& -\beta \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{m} H^{\sigma(m-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x-2 \Gamma \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x  \tag{2.10}\\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{align*}
$$

We then use the embedding $L^{l}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^{m}(\Omega)$ to get

$$
\int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{m / l}
$$

where $C$ is a positive constant depending on $\Omega$ only. So we have, from (2.4),

$$
H^{\sigma(m-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{m} d x \leq \frac{C}{l}\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\sigma(m-1)+(m / l)} .
$$

By using (2.6) and the inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\nu} \leq z+1 \leq\left(1+\frac{1}{a}\right)(z+a), \quad \forall z>0,0<\nu \leq 1, a \geq 0 \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

we have the following

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\sigma(m-1)+(m / l)} & \leq d\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(0)\right)  \tag{2.12}\\
& \leq d\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(t)\right), \forall t \geq 0
\end{align*}
$$

where $d=1+1 / H(0)$. Inserting the estimate (2.12) into (2.10) we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & {\left[(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right] H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x } \\
& -\beta \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x-\varepsilon C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(t)\right) \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x-2 \Gamma \varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x \\
& -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{aligned}
$$

By using (2.1) and $H(t)=-E(t)$, we can write, for some positive constant $K$,

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & {\left[(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right] H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\left(\frac{K}{2}+\varepsilon\right) \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x }  \tag{2.13}\\
& +\beta\left(\frac{K}{2}-\varepsilon\right) \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\left(K-\varepsilon C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) H(t) \\
& +\left(\varepsilon-\frac{K}{l}-\varepsilon C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\left(\frac{K}{2}-\varepsilon\right) \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x \\
& +\Gamma\left(\frac{K}{2}-2 \varepsilon\right) \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\left(\frac{K}{p}-\varepsilon\right) \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x
\end{align*}
$$

At this point we choose $K=r \varepsilon$, for $r=\max \{p, 4\}$; hence (2.13) becomes

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & {\left[(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right] H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{2}+1\right) \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x } \\
& +\beta \varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{2}-1\right) \int_{\Omega}(\Delta u)^{2} d x+\varepsilon\left(r-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) H(t)  \tag{2.14}\\
& +\varepsilon\left(1-\frac{r}{l}-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{2}-1\right) \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x \\
& +\Gamma \varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{2}-2\right) \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\Delta u)^{2} d x+\varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{p}-1\right) \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x \\
\geq & {\left[(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right] H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon\left(\frac{r}{2}+1\right) \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x } \\
& +\varepsilon\left(r-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) H(t)+\varepsilon\left(1-\frac{r}{l}-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}\right) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x .
\end{align*}
$$

We then choose $M$ large enough so that

$$
a_{1}=r-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}>0, \quad a_{2}=1-\frac{r}{l}-C d \frac{M^{-(m-1)}}{l m}>0 .
$$

Therefore (2.14) yields

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq & \left((1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M\right) H^{-\sigma}(t) H^{\prime}(t)  \tag{2.15}\\
& +\gamma \varepsilon\left[H(t)+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right]
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\gamma=\max \left\{a_{1}, a_{2}, \frac{r}{2}+1\right\} .
$$

Once $M$ is fixed (hence $\gamma$ ), we choose $\varepsilon$ sufficiently small that

$$
(1-\sigma)-\varepsilon b \frac{m-1}{m} M \geq 0
$$

and

$$
L(0)=H^{1-\sigma}(0)+\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x>0 .
$$

Therefore we have, from (2.15),

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq \gamma \varepsilon\left[H(t)+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right] \tag{2.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
L(t) \geq L(0)>0, \quad \forall t \geq 0
$$

Next, it is clear that

$$
L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \leq 2^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}\left\{H(t)+\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}\right\}
$$

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and the embedding of the $L^{p}(\Omega)$ spaces we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right| & \leq\left(\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2} \\
& \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{1 / l}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}
\end{aligned}
$$

which implies

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{1}{(1-\sigma) l}}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{1}{2(1-\sigma)}} .
$$

Also Young's inequality gives

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C\left[\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{\mu}{(1-\sigma) l}}+\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{\theta}{2(1-\sigma)}}\right]
$$

for $1 / \mu+1 / \theta=1$. We take $\theta=2(1-\sigma)$, (hence $\left.\mu=\frac{2(1-\sigma)}{(1-2 \sigma)}\right)$ to get

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C\left[\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2}{(1-2 \sigma) l}}+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right] .
$$

Again by using (2.6) and (2.11) we deduce, as in (2.12),

$$
\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2}{(1-2 \sigma)}} \leq d\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(t)\right)
$$

Therefore,

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C\left[H(t)+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right], \forall t \geq 0
$$

consequently

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \leq C_{1}\left[H(t)+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right] \tag{2.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $C_{1}$ is positive constant. A combination of (2.16) and (2.17) , thus, yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq \xi L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0 \tag{2.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\xi=\gamma \varepsilon / C_{1}$. Integration of (2.18) over $(0, t)$ gives

$$
L^{\frac{\sigma}{1-\sigma}}(t) \geq \frac{1}{L^{\frac{-\sigma}{1-\sigma}}(0)-\frac{\xi \sigma}{(1-\sigma)} t}
$$

hence $L(t)$ blow up in a time

$$
\begin{equation*}
T^{*} \leq \frac{1-\sigma}{\xi \sigma L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(0)} . \tag{2.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

This completes the proof.

## 3. THE LINEAR DAMPING CASE

The next result improves the one given in Remark 3.3 of [1]. In fact we will show that the blow up for solutions of (1.7), when the damping is linear $(m=2)$, takes places if $\int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x>-\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \rho u_{0}^{2} d x$ instead of $\int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x>0$.

Theorem 2. Assume that $p \geq 1$ and $l>\max \{4, p\}$. Assume further that

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(0) \leq 0, \quad \int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x>-\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \rho u_{0}^{2} d x . \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then the solution of (1.7), for $m=2$, blows up in finite time.

Proof. Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
L(t)=\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \rho(x) u^{2} d x . \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

By taking a derivative of (3.2) and using (1.7) we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t)= & \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x-\beta \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x \\
& -\int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x-2 \Gamma \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x \\
& -\int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x . \tag{3.3}
\end{align*}
$$

For some positive constant $K$, (3.3) takes the form

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\prime}(t)= & \left(\frac{K}{2}+1\right) \int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\beta\left(\frac{K}{2}-1\right) \int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+K H(t) \\
& +\left(\frac{K}{2}-1\right) \int_{\Omega} g|\nabla u|^{2} d x+\Gamma\left(\frac{K}{2}-2\right) \int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}(\triangle u)^{2} d x \\
& +\left(\frac{K}{p}-1\right) \int_{\Omega} h|\nabla u|^{p} d x+\left(1-\frac{K}{l}\right) \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x . \tag{3.4}
\end{align*}
$$

We choose $K$ so that $l>K>\max \{4, p\}$, then we have from (3.4),

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq\left(1-\frac{K}{l}\right)\left[\int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(t)\right] . \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore

$$
L(t) \geq L(0)=\int_{\Omega} u_{0} u_{1} d x+\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \rho u_{0}^{2} d x>0, \quad \forall t \geq 0 .
$$

Next, it is clear that

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\frac{2 L}{t+2}}(t) \leq C\left\{\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right)^{\frac{2 l}{t+2}}+\left(\int_{\Omega} \rho u^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{2 l}{t+2}}\right\} . \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right| & \leq\left(\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2} \\
& \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{1 / l}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}
\end{aligned}
$$

which implies

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}} \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2}{l+2}}\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{l}{l+2}} .
$$

With the help of Young's inequality, we get

$$
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}} \leq C\left[\left(\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2 \mu}{l+2}}+\left(\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{\theta l}{l+2}}\right],
$$

for $1 / \mu+1 / \theta=1$. Choosing $\theta=\frac{l+2}{l}$, (hence $\mu=\frac{l+2}{2}$ ), we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\int_{\Omega} u_{t} u d x\right|^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}} \leq C\left[\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x\right] . \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Similarly we also have

$$
\int_{\Omega} \rho u^{2} d x \leq\left(\int_{\Omega}(\rho u)^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}\left(\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right)^{1 / 2}
$$

which gives

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(\int_{\Omega} \rho u^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}} & \leq C\left(\int_{\Omega}(\rho u)^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2}{l+2}}\left(\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{l}{l+2}} \\
& \leq C\left[\left(\int_{\Omega}|\rho u|^{l} d x\right)^{\frac{2 \mu}{l+2}}+\left(\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{\theta l}{l+2}}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

With the same choice of $\theta$ and $\mu$ as in above and the use of the boundary conditions, we easily deduce

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(\int_{\Omega} \rho u^{2} d x\right)^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}} & \leq C\left[\int_{\Omega}|\rho u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right] \\
& \leq C\left[\|\rho\|_{\infty}^{l} \int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right] \\
& \leq C_{1}\left[\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega} u^{2} d x\right] \\
& \leq C_{2}\left[\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+\int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x\right] . \tag{3.8}
\end{align*}
$$

Combining (3.7) and (3.8), we have

$$
\begin{align*}
L^{\frac{2 l}{t+2}}(t) & \leq C\left[\int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x\right]  \tag{3.9}\\
& \leq C\left[\int_{\Omega}(\triangle u)^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega} u_{t}^{2} d x+\int_{\Omega}|u|^{l} d x+H(t)\right] .
\end{align*}
$$

A combination of (3.5) and (3.9) leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{\prime}(t) \geq \frac{1}{C}\left(1-\frac{K}{l}\right) L^{\frac{2 l}{l+2}}(t) . \tag{3.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

A simple integration of (3.10) yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
L^{(l+2) /(l-2)}(t) \geq \frac{1}{L^{-(l+2) /(l-2)}(0)-a t}, \tag{3.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $a=(1 / C)[2 l /(l-2)][1-(K / l)]$. Therefore (3.11) shows that $L$ blows up in finite time.

Remark 3.1. The above result remains valid if $|u|^{l-2} u$ if replaced by $f(u)$ provided that

$$
u f(u)-K F(u) \geq \delta|u|^{l}, \quad \delta>0 \quad F(u)=\int_{0}^{u} f(s) d s
$$

Again this is a weaker requirement than (2.4) of [1].

Remark 3.2. We do not require that $u_{1} \neq 0$ as in Theorem 2.1 of [1].

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