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# Exponential Decay of Energy for Some Nonlinear Hyperbolic Equations with Strong Dissipation 

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The initial boundary value problem for a class of hyperbolic equations with strong dissipative term $u_{t t}-\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\partial / \partial x_{i}\right)\left(\left|\partial u / \partial x_{i}\right|^{p-2}\left(\partial u / \partial x_{i}\right)\right)-a \Delta u_{t}=b|u|^{r-2} u$ in a bounded domain is studied. The existence of global solutions for this problem is proved by constructing a stable set in $W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$ and showing the exponential decay of the energy of global solutions through the use of an important lemma of V. Komornik.

## 1. Introduction

We are concerned with the global solvability and exponential asymptotic stability for the following hyperbolic equation in a bounded domain:

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{t t}-\Delta_{p} u-a \Delta u_{t}=b|u|^{r-2} u, \quad x \in \Omega, \quad t>0 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

with initial conditions

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(x, 0)=u_{0}(x), \quad u_{t}(x, 0)=u_{1}(x), \quad x \in \Omega \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

and boundary condition

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(x, t)=0, \quad x \in \partial \Omega, t \geq 0 \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Omega$ is a bounded domain in $R^{n}$ with a smooth boundary $\partial \Omega, a, b>0$ and $r, p>2$ are real numbers, and $\Delta_{p}=\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\partial / \partial x_{i}\right)\left(\left|\partial / \partial x_{i}\right|^{p-2}\left(\partial / \partial x_{i}\right)\right)$ is a divergence operator (degenerate Laplace operator) with $p>2$, which is called a $p$-Laplace operator.

Equations of type (1.1) are used to describe longitudinal motion in viscoelasticity mechanics and can also be seen as field equations governing the longitudinal motion of a viscoelastic configuration obeying the nonlinear Voight model [1-4].

For $b=0$, it is well known that the damping term assures global existence and decay of the solution energy for arbitrary initial data [4-6]. For $a=0$, the source term causes finite time blow up of solutions with negative initial energy if $r>p$ [7].

In [8-10], Yang studied the problem (1.1)-(1.3) and obtained global existence results under the growth assumptions on the nonlinear terms and initial data. These global existence results have been improved by Liu and Zhao [11] by using a new method. As for the nonexistence of global solutions, Yang [12] obtained the blow up properties for the problem (1.1)-(1.3) with the following restriction on the initial energy $E(0)<\min \left\{-\left(r k_{1}+p k_{2} / r-\right.\right.$ $\left.p)^{1 / \delta},-1\right\}$, where $r>p$ and $k_{1}, k_{2}$, and $\delta$ are some positive constants.

Because the $p$-Laplace operator $\Delta_{p}$ is nonlinear operator, the reasoning of proof and computation are greatly different from the Laplace operator $\Delta=\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\partial^{2} / \partial x_{i}^{2}\right)$. By means of the Galerkin method and compactness criteria and a difference inequality introduced by Nakao [13], Ye [14, 15] has proved the existence and decay estimate of global solutions for the problem (1.1)-(1.3) with inhomogeneous term $f(x, t)$ and $p \geq r$.

In this paper we are going to investigate the global existence for the problem (1.1)(1.3) by applying the potential well theory introduced by Sattinger [16], and we show the exponential asymptotic behavior of global solutions through the use of the lemma of Komornik [17].

We adopt the usual notation and convention. Let $W^{k, p}(\Omega)$ denote the Sobolev space with the norm $\|u\|_{W^{k, p}(\Omega)}=\left(\sum_{|\alpha| \leq k}\left\|D^{\alpha} u\right\|_{L^{p}(\Omega)}^{p}\right)^{1 / p}$ and $W_{0}^{k, p}(\Omega)$ denote the closure in $W^{k, p}(\Omega)$ of $C_{0}^{\infty}(\Omega)$. For simplicity of notation, hereafter we denote by $\|\cdot\|_{p}$ the Lebesgue space $L^{p}(\Omega)$ norm, $\|\cdot\|$ denotes $L^{2}(\Omega)$ norm, and write equivalent norm $\|\nabla \cdot\|_{p}$ instead of $W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$ norm $\|\cdot\|_{W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)}$. Moreover, $M$ denotes various positive constants depending on the known constants, and it may be different at each appearance.

## 2. The Global Existence and Nonexistence

In order to state and study our main results, we first define the following functionals:

$$
\begin{gather*}
K(u)=\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-b\|u\|_{r}^{r}, \\
J(u)=\frac{1}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r} \tag{2.1}
\end{gather*}
$$

for $u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$. Then we define the stable set $H$ by

$$
\begin{equation*}
H=\left\{u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega), \quad K(u)>0, \quad J(u)<d\right\} \cup\{0\} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
d=\inf \left\{\sup _{\lambda>0} J(\lambda u), \quad u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega) /\{0\}\right\} . \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

We denote the total energy associated with (1.1)-(1.3) by

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(t)=\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{1}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r}=\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+J(u) \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega), t \geq 0$, and $E(0)=(1 / 2)\left\|u_{1}\right\|^{2}+J\left(u_{0}\right)$ is the total energy of the initial data.
Definition 2.1. The solution $u(x, t)$ is called the weak solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.3) on $\Omega \times[0, T)$, if $u \in L^{\infty}\left(0, T ; W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)\right)$ and $u_{t} \in L^{\infty}\left(0, T ; L^{2}(\Omega)\right)$ satisfy

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(u_{t}, v\right)-\int_{0}^{t}\left(\Delta_{p} u, v\right) d \tau+a(\nabla u, \nabla v)=b \int_{0}^{t}\left(|u|^{r-2} u, v\right) d \tau+\left(u_{1}, v\right)+a\left(\nabla u_{0}, \nabla v\right) \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $v \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$ and $u(x, 0)=u_{0}(x)$ in $W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega), u_{t}(x, 0)=u_{1}(x)$ in $L^{2}(\Omega)$.
We need the following local existence result, which is known as a standard one (see [14, 18, 19]).

Theorem 2.2. Suppose that $2<p<r<n p /(n-p)$ if $p<n$ and $2<p<r<\infty$ if $n \leq p$. If $u_{0} \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega), u_{1} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$, then there exists $T>0$ such that the problem (1.1)-(1.3) has a unique local solution $u(t)$ in the class

$$
\begin{equation*}
u \in L^{\infty}\left([0, T) ; W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)\right), \quad u_{t} \in L^{\infty}\left([0, T) ; L^{2}(\Omega)\right) \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

For latter applications, we list up some lemmas.
Lemma 2.3 (see $[20,21]$ ). Let $u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$, then $u \in L^{q}(\Omega)$, and the inequality $\|u\|_{q} \leq$ $C\|u\|_{W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)}$ holds with a constant $C>0$ depending on $\Omega, p$, and $q$, provided that, (i) $2 \leq q<+\infty$ if $2 \leq n \leq p$ and (ii) $2 \leq q \leq n p /(n-p), 2<p<n$.

Lemma 2.4. Let $u(t, x)$ be a solution to problem (1.1)-(1.3). Then $E(t)$ is a nonincreasing function for $t>0$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d t} E(t)=-a\left\|\nabla u_{t}(t)\right\|^{2} \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. By multiplying (1.1) by $u_{t}$ and integrating over $\Omega$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{d t}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{1}{p} \frac{d}{d t}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r} \frac{d}{d t}\|u\|_{r}^{r}=-a\left\|\nabla u_{t}(t)\right\|^{2} \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

which implies from (2.4) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d t} E(u(t))=-a\left\|\nabla u_{t}(t)\right\|^{2} \leq 0 \tag{2.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore, $E(t)$ is a nonincreasing function on $t$.
Lemma 2.5. Let $u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$; if the hypotheses in Theorem 2.2 hold, then $d>0$.
Proof. Since

$$
\begin{equation*}
J(\lambda u)=\frac{\lambda^{p}}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b \lambda^{r}}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r} \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

so, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d \lambda} J(\lambda u)=\lambda^{p-1}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-b \lambda^{r-1}\|u\|_{r}^{r} \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $(d / d \lambda) J(\lambda u)=0$, which implies that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda_{1}=b^{-1 /(r-p)}\left(\frac{\|u\|_{r}^{r}}{\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}}\right)^{-1 /(r-p)} \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

As $\lambda=\lambda_{1}$, an elementary calculation shows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d^{2}}{d \lambda^{2}} J(\lambda u)<0 \tag{2.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, we have from Lemma 2.3 that

$$
\begin{align*}
\sup _{l \geq 0} J(\lambda u) & =J\left(\lambda_{1} u\right)=\frac{r-p}{r p} b^{-p /(r-p)}\left(\frac{\|u\|_{r}}{\|\nabla u\|_{p}}\right)^{-r p /(r-p)}  \tag{2.14}\\
& \geq \frac{r-p}{r p}\left(b C^{r}\right)^{-p /(r-p)}>0 .
\end{align*}
$$

We get from the definition of $d$ that $d>0$.
Lemma 2.6. Let $u \in H$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}<J(u) \tag{2.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. By the definition of $K(u)$ and $J(u)$, we have the following identity:

$$
\begin{equation*}
r J(u)=K(u)+\frac{r-p}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \tag{2.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $u \in H$, so we have $K(u)>0$. Therefore, we obtain from (2.16) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \leq J(u) \tag{2.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

In order to prove the existence of global solutions for the problem (1.1)-(1.3), we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.7. Suppose that $2<p<r<n p /(n-p)$ if $p<n$ and $2<p<r<\infty$ if $n \leq p$. If $u_{0} \in H, u_{1} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$, and $E(0)<d$, then $u \in H$, for each $t \in[0, T)$.

Proof. Assume that there exists a number $t^{*} \in[0, T)$ such that $u(t) \in H$ on $\left[0, t^{*}\right)$ and $u\left(t^{*}\right) \notin H$. Then, in virtue of the continuity of $u(t)$, we see that $u\left(t^{*}\right) \in \partial H$. From the definition of $H$ and the continuity of $J(u(t))$ and $K(u(t))$ in $t$, we have either

$$
\begin{equation*}
J\left(u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=d, \tag{2.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
K\left(u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=0 \tag{2.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

It follows from (2.4) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
J\left(u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=\frac{1}{p}\left\|\nabla u\left(t^{*}\right)\right\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\left\|u\left(t^{*}\right)\right\|_{r}^{r} \leq E\left(t^{*}\right) \leq E(0)<d \tag{2.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

So, case (2.18) is impossible.
Assume that (2.19) holds, then we get that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d \lambda} J\left(\lambda u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=\lambda^{p-1}\left(1-\lambda^{r-p}\right)\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \tag{2.21}
\end{equation*}
$$

We obtain from $(d / d \lambda) J\left(\lambda u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=0$ that $\lambda=1$.
Since

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\frac{d^{2}}{d \lambda^{2}} J\left(\lambda u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)\right|_{\lambda=1}=-(r-p)\left\|\nabla u\left(t^{*}\right)\right\|_{p}<0 \tag{2.22}
\end{equation*}
$$

consequently, we get from (2.20) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sup _{\lambda \geq 0} J\left(\lambda u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)=\left.J\left(\lambda u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)\right|_{\lambda=1}=J\left(u\left(t^{*}\right)\right)<d, \tag{2.23}
\end{equation*}
$$

which contradicts the definition of $d$. Therefore, case (2.19) is impossible as well. Thus, we conclude that $u(t) \in H$ on $[0, T)$.

Theorem 2.8. Assume that $2<p<r<n p /(n-p)$ if $p<n$ and $2<p<r<\infty$ if $n \leq p . u(t)$ is a local solution of problem (1.1)-(1.3) on $[0, T)$. If $u_{0} \in H, u_{1} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$, and $E(0)<d$, then the solution $u(t)$ is a global solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.3).

Proof. It suffices to show that $\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}$ is bounded independently of $t$.
Under the hypotheses in Theorem 2.8, we get from Lemma 2.7 that $u(t) \in H$ on $[0, T)$. So formula (2.15) in Lemma 2.6 holds on $[0, T)$. Therefore, we have from (2.15) and Lemma 2.4 that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \leq \frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+J(u)=E(t) \leq E(0)<d . \tag{2.24}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \leq \max \left(2, \frac{r p}{r-p}\right) d<+\infty \tag{2.25}
\end{equation*}
$$

The above inequality and the continuation principle lead to the global existence of the solution, that is, $T=+\infty$. Thus, the solution $u(t)$ is a global solution of the problem (1.1)(1.3).

Now we employ the analysis method to discuss the blow-up solutions of the problem (1.1)-(1.3) in finite time. Our result reads as follows.

Theorem 2.9. Suppose that $2<p<r<n p /(n-p)$ if $p<n$ and $2<p<r<\infty$ if $n \leq p$. If $u_{0} \in H, \quad u_{1} \in L^{2}(\Omega)$, assume that the initial value is such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(0)<Q_{0}, \quad\|u(0)\|_{r}>S_{0} \tag{2.26}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{0}=\frac{r-p}{r p} C^{p r /(p-r)}, \quad S_{0}=C^{p /(p-r)} \tag{2.27}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $C>0$ is a positive Sobolev constant. Then the solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.3) does not exist globally in time.

Proof. On the contrary, under the conditions in Theorem 2.9, let $u(x, t)$ be a global solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.3); then by Lemma 2.3, it is well known that there exists a constant $C>0$ depending only on $n, p$, and $r$ such that $\|u\|_{r} \leq C\|\nabla u\|_{p}$ for all $u \in W_{0}^{1, p}(\Omega)$.

From the above inequality, we conclude that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \geq C^{-p}\|u\|_{r}^{p} . \tag{2.28}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using (2.28), it follows from the definition of $E(t)$ that

$$
\begin{align*}
E(t) & =\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+J(u(t))=\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{1}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r} \\
& \geq \frac{1}{p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r} \geq \frac{1}{p C^{p}}\|u\|_{r}^{p}-\frac{b}{r}\|u\|_{r}^{r} . \tag{2.29}
\end{align*}
$$

Setting

$$
\begin{equation*}
s=s(t)=\|u(t)\|_{r}=\left\{\int_{\Omega}|u(x, t)|^{r} d x\right\}^{1 / r}, \tag{2.30}
\end{equation*}
$$

we denote the right side of (2.29) by $Q(s)=Q\left(\|u(t)\|_{r}\right)$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q(s)=\frac{1}{p C^{p}} s^{p}-\frac{b}{r} s^{r}, \quad s \geq 0 . \tag{2.31}
\end{equation*}
$$

We have

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q^{\prime}(s)=C^{-p} s^{p-1}-b s^{r-1} . \tag{2.32}
\end{equation*}
$$

Letting $Q^{\prime}(t)=0$, we obtain $S_{0}=\left(b C^{p}\right)^{1 /(p-r)}$.
As $s=S_{0}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.Q^{\prime \prime}(s)\right|_{s=S_{0}}=\left.\left(\frac{p-1}{C^{p}} s^{p-2}-b(r-1) s^{r-2}\right)\right|_{s=S_{0}}=(p-r)\left(b^{p-2} C^{(r-2) p}\right)^{1 /(p-r)}<0 . \tag{2.33}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently, the function $Q(s)$ has a single maximum value $Q_{0}$ at $S_{0}$, where

$$
\begin{equation*}
Q_{0}=Q\left(S_{0}\right)=\frac{1}{p C^{p}}\left(b C^{p}\right)^{p /(p-r)}-\frac{b}{r}\left(b C^{p}\right)^{r /(p-r)}=\frac{r-p}{r p}\left(b^{p} C^{p r}\right)^{1 /(p-r)} . \tag{2.34}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since the initial data is such that $E(0), s(0)$ satisfies

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(0)<Q_{0}, \quad\|u(0)\|_{r}>S_{0} . \tag{2.35}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore, from Lemma 2.4 we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(u(t)) \leq E(0)<Q_{0}, \quad \forall t>0 . \tag{2.36}
\end{equation*}
$$

At the same time, by (2.29) and (2.31), it is clear that there can be no time $t>0$ for which

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(u(t))<Q_{0}, \quad s(t)=S_{0} . \tag{2.37}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence we have also $s(t)>S_{0}$ for all $t>0$ from the continuity of $E(u(t))$ and $s(t)$.
According to the above contradiction, we know that the global solution of the problem (1.1)-(1.3) does not exist, that is, the solution blows up in some finite time.

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.9.

## 3. The Exponential Asymptotic Behavior

Lemma 3.1 (see [17]). Let $y(t): R^{+} \rightarrow R^{+}$be a nonincreasing function, and assume that there is a constant $A>0$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{s}^{+\infty} y(t) d t \leq A y(s), \quad 0 \leq s<+\infty \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

then $y(t) \leq y(0) e^{1-(t / A)}$, for all $t \geq 0$.
The following theorem shows the exponential asymptotic behavior of global solutions of problem (1.1)-(1.3).

Theorem 3.2. If the hypotheses in Theorem 2.8 are valid, then the global solutions of problem (1.1)(1.3) have the following exponential asymptotic behavior:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \leq E(0) e^{1-(t / M)}, \quad \forall t \geq 0 \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. Multiplying by $u$ on both sides of (1.1) and integrating over $\Omega \times[S, T]$ gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
0=\int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega} u\left[u_{t t}-\Delta_{p} u-a \Delta u_{t}-b u|u|^{r-2}\right] d x d t \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $0 \leq S<T<+\infty$.
Since

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega} u u_{t t} d x d t=\left.\int_{\Omega} u u_{t} d x\right|_{S} ^{T}-\int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left|u_{t}\right|^{2} d x d t \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

so, substituting the formula (3.4) into the right-hand side of (3.3) gives

$$
\begin{align*}
0= & \int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left(\left|u_{t}\right|^{2}+\frac{2}{p}|\nabla u|_{p}^{p}-\frac{2 b}{r}|u|^{r}\right) d x d t \\
& -\int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left[2\left|u_{t}\right|^{2}-a \nabla u_{t} \nabla u\right] d x d t+\left.\int_{\Omega} u u_{t} d x\right|_{S} ^{T}  \tag{3.5}\\
& +b\left(\frac{2}{r}-1\right) \int_{S}^{T}\|u\|_{r}^{r} d t+\frac{p-2}{p} \int_{S}^{T}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} d t
\end{align*}
$$

By exploiting Lemma 2.3 and (2.24), we easily arrive at

$$
\begin{align*}
b\|u(t)\|_{r}^{r} & \leq b C^{r}\|\nabla u(t)\|_{p}^{r}=b C^{r}\|\nabla u(t)\|_{p}^{r-p}\|\nabla u(t)\|_{p}^{p} \\
& <b C^{r}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p}\left\|\nabla u(t)_{p}^{p}\right\| \tag{3.6}
\end{align*}
$$

We obtain from (3.6) and (2.24) that

$$
\begin{align*}
b\left(1-\frac{2}{r}\right)\|u\|_{r}^{r} & \leq b C^{r}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p} \frac{r-2}{r}\|\nabla u(t)\|_{p}^{p} \\
& \leq b C^{r}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p} \frac{r-2}{r} \cdot \frac{r p}{r-p} E(t)  \tag{3.7}\\
& =\frac{b p(r-2) C^{r}}{r-p}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p} E(t), \\
\frac{p-2}{p} \int_{S}^{T}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} d x d t & \leq \frac{r(p-2)}{r-p} \int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t .
\end{align*}
$$

It follows from (3.7) and (3.5) that

$$
\begin{gather*}
{\left[2-\frac{b p(r-2) C^{r}}{r-p}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p}-\frac{r(p-2)}{r-p}\right] \int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t}  \tag{3.8}\\
\quad \leq \int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left[2\left|u_{t}\right|^{2}-a \nabla u_{t} \nabla u\right] d x d t-\left.\int_{\Omega} u u_{t} d x\right|_{S} ^{T}
\end{gather*}
$$

We have from Hölder inequality, Lemma 2.3 and (2.24) that

$$
\begin{gather*}
\left|-\int_{\Omega} u u_{t} d x\right|_{S}^{T}\left|\leq\left|\left(\frac{C^{p} r p}{r-p} \cdot \frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p}+\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}\right)\right|_{S}^{T}\right|  \tag{3.9}\\
\left.\leq \max \left(\frac{C^{p} r p}{r-p}, 1\right)|E(t)|_{S}^{T} \right\rvert\, \leq M E(S)
\end{gather*}
$$

Substituting the estimates of (3.9) into (3.8), we conclude that

$$
\begin{gather*}
{\left[2-\frac{b p(r-2) C^{r}}{r-p}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p}-\frac{r(p-2)}{r-p}\right] \int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t}  \tag{3.10}\\
\quad \leq \int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left[2\left|u_{t}\right|^{2}-a \nabla u_{t} \nabla u\right] d x d t+\operatorname{ME}(S)
\end{gather*}
$$

We get from Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.4 that

$$
\begin{align*}
2 \int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega}\left|u_{t}\right|^{2} d x d t & =2 \int_{S}^{T}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2} d t \leq 2 C^{2} \int_{S}^{T}\left\|\nabla u_{t}\right\|^{2} d t  \tag{3.11}\\
& =-\frac{2 C^{2}}{a}(E(T)-E(S)) \leq \frac{2 C^{2}}{a} E(S)
\end{align*}
$$

From Young inequality, Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4, and (2.24), it follows that

$$
\begin{align*}
-a \int_{S}^{T} \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla u_{t} d x d t & \leq a \int_{S}^{T}\left(\varepsilon C^{2}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{2}+M(\varepsilon)\left\|\nabla u_{t}\right\|^{2}\right) d t \\
& \leq \frac{a C^{2} r p \varepsilon}{r-p} \int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t+M(\varepsilon)(E(S)-E(T))  \tag{3.12}\\
& \leq \frac{a C^{2} r p \varepsilon}{r-p} \int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t+M(\varepsilon) E(S)
\end{align*}
$$

Choosing $\varepsilon$ small enough, such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{b p(r-2) C^{r}}{r-p}\left(\frac{r p d}{r-p}\right)^{(r-p) / p}+\frac{r(p-2)}{r-p}+\frac{a C^{2} r p \varepsilon}{r-p}\right]<1 \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

and, substituting (3.11) and (3.12) into (3.10), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{S}^{T} E(t) d t \leq M E(S) \tag{3.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

We let $T \rightarrow+\infty$ in (3.14) to get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{S}^{+\infty} E(t) d t \leq M E(S) \tag{3.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore, we have from (3.15) and Lemma 3.1 that

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(t) \leq E(0) e^{1-(t / M)}, \quad t \in[0,+\infty) \tag{3.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

We conclude from $u \in H$, (2.4) and (3.16) that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{2}\left\|u_{t}\right\|^{2}+\frac{r-p}{r p}\|\nabla u\|_{p}^{p} \leq E(0) e^{1-(t / M)}, \quad \forall t \geq 0 \tag{3.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

The proof of Theorem 3.2 is thus finished.

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