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Abstract

Under the acoustic boundary conditions, the initial boundary value problem of a wave equation with multiple nonlinear source terms is considered. This paper gives the energy functional of regular solutions for the wave equation and proves the decreasing property of the energy functional. Firstly, the existence of a global solution for the wave equation is proved by the Faedo–Galerkin method. Then, in order to obtain the nonexistence of global solutions for the wave equation, a new functional is defined. When the initial energy is less than zero, the special properties of the new functional are proved by the method of contraction. Finally, the conditions for the nonexistence of global solutions of the wave equation with acoustic boundary conditions are analyzed by using these special properties.

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1 Introduction

Wave equation is a partial differential equation describing wave phenomenon, it can be used in many different fields, such as acoustics, electromagnetics, fluid mechanics, and so forth. The existence of global solutions has been one of the key issues in the study of wave equation. As we all know, there are three kinds of boundary conditions commonly used in wave equation, namely Dirichlet condition, Neumann condition, and mixed boundary condition; however, the three conditions signify that the waves travel in the same medium. In fact, when the sound waves enter from one medium to another, some of the sound waves will be reflected back and some of them will be transmitted through, so it is necessary to discuss the wave equation under the acoustic boundary conditions. In this paper, we analyze the existence and blow-up of the global solution of the wave equation under the acoustic boundary conditions. We consider the following wave equation with acoustic boundary conditions:

 $u_{tt} - \alpha \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{m-2} \nabla u) - \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_t) - \gamma \Delta u_t$

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$$=\sum_{i=1}^{l_1}a_i|u|^{p_i-2}u-\sum_{j=1}^{l_2}b_j|u|^{q_j-2}u, \quad x\in\Omega, t>0,$$
(1)

the initial boundary conditions are as follows:

$$\begin{cases}
u|_{\Gamma_{0}\times(0,+\infty)} = 0, \\
\gamma \frac{\partial u_{t}}{\partial n} + \alpha |\nabla u|^{m-2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + |\nabla u_{t}|^{\beta-2} \frac{\partial u_{t}}{\partial n} = h(x)y_{t}, \quad (x,t) \in \Gamma_{1} \times (0,+\infty), \\
u_{t} + f(x)y_{t} + q(x)y = 0, \quad (x,t) \in \Gamma_{1} \times (0,+\infty), \\
u(x,0) = u_{0}(x), \quad u_{t}(x,0) = u_{1}(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \\
y(x,0) = y_{0}(x), \quad x \in \Gamma_{1},
\end{cases}$$
(2)

where $\alpha, \gamma, a_i, b_j > 0$, $2 < \beta < m$, and $2 < q_{l_2} < \cdots < q_2 < q_1 < p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_{l_1} < r^*$ are constants, $r^* = \frac{nm}{n-m}$ is the critical Sobolev index of the space $W^{1,m}(\Omega)$. $\Omega \subset R^n$ $(n \ge 3)$ is a bounded domain with the smooth boundary $\Gamma = \Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1$, where Γ_0 and Γ_1 are disjoint and closed. The unit outward normal vector to the boundary is denoted by $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \cdot f, q, h : \Gamma_1 \to R^+$ are bounded essential functions, satisfying $0 < q_0 \le q(x)$ and $0 < h_0 \le h(x)$ for any $x \in \Gamma_1$. The differentiable function y indicates the material of the surface.

The second and third equations in (2) are known as acoustic boundary conditions, and they simulate a porous boundary. For decades, many achievements have been achieved on the wave equations with Dirichlet conditions, Neumann condition, or mixed boundary condition; however, these conditions cannot perfectly deal with the problem of wave propagation in mixed media. Hence, acoustic boundary conditions with intuitive models began to be widely considered by scholars. Morse and Ingard [1] introduced acoustic boundary conditions in 1968. Beale and Rosencrans [2] firstly proposed a general form of acoustic boundary conditions and proved the existence and regularity of the solution of wave equation under acoustic boundary conditions. Recently, many results have been obtained under acoustic boundary conditions. For instance, Gerbi and Sai-Houari studied a class of semi-linear wave equations and proved the existence of local solutions by the Faedo–Galerkin approximation and contraction mapping theorem in [3]. Frigeri analyzed the global asymptotic behavior of solutions of a class of wave equations in [4]. The decay rate of viscoelastic wave equations are discussed in [5]. The existence and nonexistence of global solutions for viscoelastic wave equations are analyzed in [6]. Nonlinear and quasi-linear viscoelastic wave equations are studied in [7] and [8], respectively. Jeong et al. obtained the nonexistence conditions of global solutions for a class of quasi-linear wave equations with acoustic boundary conditions by using the energy functional method in [9]. The global solutions of wave equations with time delay are analyzed in [10]. More studies on the wave equation with acoustic boundary conditions can be found in [11-13].

For the wave equation with positive definite energy $u_{tt} - \Delta u = -|u|^{p-2}u$, the existence of solutions can be proved by the Galerkin approximation method. For the wave equation with nonpositive definite energy $u_{tt} - \Delta u = |u|^{p-2}u$, the global existence of solutions was proved by using potential well method in 1968 [14], and the existence, blowup behavior, and vacuum isolation of solutions were also discussed in [15] and [16]. In 2007, [17] and [18] introduced a class of wave equations with different sign source terms, $u_{tt} - \Delta u = a|u|^{p-2}u - b|u|^{q-2}u$, and investigated the existence and blow-up of global solutions. Recently, [19] proposed a class of wave equations with multiple nonlinear source terms and studied the existence and nonexistence of global solutions. [20] and [21] applied multiple nonlinear source terms to Schrodinger equation and Boussinesq equation, and proved the existence and blow-up of global solutions. Wave equations with multiple non-linear source terms are also investigated in [22] and [23]. The nonlinear wave equation with weak and strong damping terms and logarithmic source term is discussed in [24]. However, the mentioned wave equations with multiple nonlinear source terms are under Dirichlet condition, Neumann condition, or mixed boundary condition, and there are few results under the acoustic boundary conditions. In this paper, the existence and nonexistence of global solutions of Eq. (1) are considered under acoustic boundary conditions, the method used in this paper is partly from that in [9] and [25].

Since Eqs. (1)–(2) include multiple nonlinear source terms and acoustic boundary conditions, the potential well theory in [17–23] cannot be used directly. In addition, *m* and β order Laplacian term makes the problem more complicated. The difficulty of this paper is to estimate $||u_{tt}||_2$ and $||u(t)||_{p_i}$, we need to deduce more precisely by using Minkowski's inequality, Hölder's inequality, and Young's inequality. Finally, the existence and nonexistence of the global solutions of the equation are obtained.

2 Existence theorem

Many results have been obtained on the existence of global solutions for wave equations with acoustic boundary conditions [3, 5, 7, 8, 12], the Faedo–Galerkin method is one of the most used methods to prove the existence of solutions. [25] and [26] respectively proved the existence of solutions for two different kinds of wave equations with acoustic boundary conditions by using the Faedo–Galerkin method, but these two kinds of equations contain neither multiple nonlinear source terms nor *m* and β order Laplacian operators. In this paper, we use the Faedo–Galerkin method to prove the existence of global solutions of Eqs. (1)–(2).

Some notations are given as follows:

$$W_{\Gamma_0}^{1,s}(\Omega) = \left\{ u \in W^{1,s}(\Omega) | u|_{\Gamma_0} = 0 \right\}, \qquad (u,v) = \int_{\Omega} uv \, dx,$$
$$(u,v)_{\Gamma_1} = \int_{\Gamma_1} uv \, d\Gamma, \qquad \|v\|_p = \left(\int_{\Omega} |u|^p \, dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

The energy functional corresponding to Eqs. (1)–(2) is

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx + \frac{1}{m} \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx - \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \frac{a_i}{p_i} \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx + \sum_{j=1}^{l_2} \frac{b_j}{q_j} \int_{\Omega} |u|^{q_j} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) q(x) y^2(t) d\Gamma.$$
(3)

For the convenience of calculation, the letter *C* in different formulas stands for a different positive constant. We first give the monotonicity theorem of energy functional as follows.

Lemma 1 If u is a regular solution of Eq. (1)-(2), then the energy functional satisfies

$$E'(t) = -\gamma \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^2 dx - \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^\beta dx - \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) f(x) y_t^2(t) d\Gamma \le 0$$
(4)

and

$$E(t) \le E(0), \quad (t \ge 0).$$
 (5)

Proof Multiplying Eq. (1) by u_t and integrating on Ω , we can get the conclusion from the initial boundary conditions.

Remark 1 Formula (5) represents the energy inequality of the wave equation. It can be seen from formula (4) that the energy is nonincreasing with respect to *t*. The proof of the energy inequality of the wave equation with acoustic boundary conditions is similar to that in [6, 10, 27], and [28]. In this lemma, the energy functional has a more complicated form than in the previous literature works.

Theory 1 Suppose that the initial values of Eqs. (1)–(2) satisfies $u_0(x) \in W_{\Gamma_0}^{1,m}(\Omega)$ and $u_1(x) \in W_{\Gamma_0}^{1,\beta}(\Omega)$, if $p_{l_1} \leq \beta$, then there exists a set of global solutions (u(x,t), y(x,t)), satisfying

$$u \in L^{\infty}(0, T; W^{1,m}(\Omega) \cap L^{q_{l_2}}(\Omega)), \qquad u_t \in L^{\infty}(0, T; W^{1,\beta}(\Omega)),$$
$$u_{tt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$$

and $y, y_t, y_{tt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_1))$ for any T > 0.

Proof Let $\{w_s\}$ and $\{\xi_s\}$ be the basic functions of the Sobolev space $W_{\Gamma_0}^{1,m}(\Omega)$. The approximate solutions of Eqs. (1)–(2) are constructed by the Faedo–Galerkin method as follows:

$$u_{l\varepsilon}(x,t) = \sum_{s=1}^{l} d_{l}^{s}(t)w_{s}(x), \qquad y_{l\varepsilon}(x,t) = \sum_{s=1}^{l} b_{l}^{s}(t)\xi_{s}(x), \tag{6}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} (u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'', w_{s}) + \alpha(|\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}|^{m-2}\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}, \nabla w_{s}) + (|\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'|^{\beta-2}\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}, \nabla w_{s}) + \gamma(\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}', \nabla w_{s}) \\ - (h(x)y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}', w_{s})_{\Gamma_{1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i}(|u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}|^{p-2}u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}, w_{s}) - \sum_{i=1}^{l_{2}} b_{i}(|u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}|^{q_{j}-2}u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}, w_{s}), \\ \varepsilon(y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}', \xi_{s})_{\Gamma_{1}} + (h(x)[u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' + f(x)y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' + q(x)y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}], \xi_{s})_{\Gamma_{1}} = 0, \\ u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}(0) = \sum_{s=1}^{l} (u_{0}, w_{s})w_{s}, \qquad u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0) = \sum_{s=1}^{l} (u_{1}, w_{s})w_{s}, \\ y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}(0) = -\frac{u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0) + f(x)y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0)}{q(x)}, \\ y_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0) = \frac{\gamma \frac{\partial u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0)}{\partial n} + \alpha|\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}(0)|^{m-2} \frac{\partial u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}(0)}{\partial n} + |\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0)|^{\beta-2} \frac{\partial u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(0)}{\partial n}}. \end{cases}$$

$$(7)$$

(1) First step estimation.

Multiplying (7) by the functions $d_l^{\prime s}(t)$ and $b_l^{\prime s}(t)$, respectively, and summing with respect to *s*, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{1}{2}\int_{\Omega}u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2}dx + \frac{\alpha}{m}\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m}dx - \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}}\frac{a_{i}}{p_{i}}\int_{\Omega}|u_{l\varepsilon}|^{p_{i}}dx + \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}}\frac{b_{j}}{q_{j}}\int_{\Omega}|u_{l\varepsilon}|^{q_{j}}dx + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\int_{\Gamma_{1}}y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2}d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2}\int_{\Gamma_{1}}hqy_{l\varepsilon}^{2}d\Gamma\right) + \int_{\Gamma_{1}}hfy_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2}d\Gamma$$

$$=-\gamma\int_{\Omega}\left|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'\right|^{2}dx-\int_{\Omega}\left|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'\right|^{\beta}dx.$$

Integrating from 0 to *t*, we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2} dx + \frac{\alpha}{m} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\epsilon}|^{m} dx - \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} \frac{a_{i}}{p_{i}} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\epsilon}|^{p_{i}} dx$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} \frac{b_{j}}{q_{j}} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\epsilon}|^{q_{j}} dx + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_{1}} y_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2} d\Gamma$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hqy_{l\epsilon}^{2} d\Gamma + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hfy_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2} d\Gamma d\tau$$

$$+ \gamma \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\epsilon}|^{\prime 2} dx d\tau + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\epsilon}|^{\beta} dx d\tau$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2}(0) dx + \frac{\alpha}{m} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\epsilon}(0)|^{m} dx - \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} \frac{a_{i}}{p_{i}} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\epsilon}(0)|^{p_{i}} dx$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} \frac{b_{j}}{q_{j}} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\epsilon}(0)|^{q_{j}} dx$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_{1}} y_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2}(0) d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hqy_{l\epsilon}^{\prime 2}(0) d\Gamma.$$
(8)

Let us estimate the functional $\sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \frac{a_i}{p_i} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\varepsilon}|^{p_i} dx$ by use of the method in [9] and [22]. The following formula can be obtained by simple calculation:

$$u_{l\varepsilon}(t) = u_{l\varepsilon}(0) + \int_0^t u'_{l\varepsilon}(\tau) d\tau.$$

Using Minkowski's inequality and Hölder's inequality, it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}(t) \right\|_{p_{i}} &\leq \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}(0) \right\|_{p_{i}} + \int_{0}^{t} \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}'(\tau) \right\|_{p_{i}} d\tau, \\ \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}(t) \right\|_{p_{i}}^{p_{i}} &\leq 2^{p_{i}} \left[\left\| u_{l\varepsilon}(0) \right\|_{p_{i}}^{p_{i}} + \left(\int_{0}^{t} \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}'(\tau) \right\|_{p_{i}} d\tau \right)^{p_{i}} \right] \\ &\leq 2^{p_{i}} \left[\left\| u_{l\varepsilon}(0) \right\|_{p_{i}}^{p_{i}} + t^{p_{i}-1} \int_{0}^{t} \left\| u_{l\varepsilon}'(\tau) \right\|_{p_{i}}^{p_{i}} d\tau \right]. \end{aligned}$$
(9)

The following inequality can be obtained by use of Young's inequality and the known condition $p_i < \beta$:

$$t^{p_i-1} \left| u_{l\varepsilon}' \right|^{p_i} \le \kappa \frac{p_i}{\beta} \left| u_{l\varepsilon}' \right|^{\beta} + C_{1i}(\kappa) \frac{\beta - p_i}{\beta} t^{\frac{\beta(p_i-1)}{\beta - p_i}}$$

for any $\kappa > 0$, where $C_{1i}(\kappa) = \kappa^{\frac{p_i}{p_i - \beta}}$. Then, by using Sobolev's embedding inequality, we can get

$$\begin{split} t^{p_i-1} \int_0^t \left\| u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'(\tau) \right\|_{p_i}^{p_i} d\tau &\leq \kappa \frac{p_i}{\beta} \int_0^t \left\| u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \right\|_{\beta}^{\beta} d\tau + C_{1i}(\kappa) \frac{\beta - p_i}{\beta} t^{\frac{\beta(p_i-1)}{\beta - p_i} + 1} |\Omega| \\ &\leq \kappa \frac{p_i}{\beta} C_* \int_0^t \left\| \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \right\|_{\beta}^{\beta} d\tau + C_{1i}(\kappa) \frac{\beta - p_i}{\beta} t^{\frac{p_i(\beta-1)}{\beta - p_i}} |\Omega|, \end{split}$$

where C_* is the Sobolev embedding constant. Hence, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \frac{a_i}{p_i} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\varepsilon}|^{p_i} dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \frac{a_i}{p_i} 2^{p_i} \|u_{l\varepsilon}(0)\|_{p_i}^{p_i} + \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \kappa \frac{a_i}{\beta} C_* 2^{p_i} \int_0^t \|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'\|_{\beta}^{\beta} d\tau + \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} C_{1i}(\kappa) a_i \frac{\beta - p_i}{\beta p_i} t^{\frac{p_i(\beta - 1)}{\beta - p_i}} 2^{p_i} |\Omega|.$$
(10)

We can select the appropriate value κ to make $\sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \kappa \frac{a_i}{\beta} C_* 2^{p_i} = \frac{1}{2}$ and substitute (10) into (8), then there exists a constant $M_1(T) > 0$ such that

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2} dx + \frac{\alpha}{m} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m} dx + \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} \frac{b_{j}}{q_{j}} \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\varepsilon}|^{q_{j}} dx + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_{1}} y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2} d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hq y_{l\varepsilon}^{2} d\Gamma
+ \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hf y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime 2} d\Gamma d\tau + \gamma \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime}|^{2} dx d\tau + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime}|^{\beta} dx d\tau
\leq M_{1}(T).$$
(11)

(2) Second step estimation.

We firstly estimate $u_{l\varepsilon}''(0)$ and $y_{l\varepsilon}''(0)$. Taking t = 0, $w = u_{l\varepsilon}''(0)$, and $\xi = y_{l\varepsilon}''(0)$ in Eq. (7), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \left\| u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right\|_{2}^{2} &= \alpha \left(\operatorname{div} \left(\left| \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0) \right|^{m-2} \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0) \right), u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right) + \left(\operatorname{div} \left(\left| \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}'(0) \right|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}'(0) \right), u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right) \\ &+ \gamma \left(\Delta u_{l_{\varepsilon}}'(0), u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i} \left(\left| u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0) \right|^{p_{i}-2} u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0), u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right) \\ &- \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} b_{j} \left(\left| u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0) \right|^{q_{j}-2} u_{l_{\varepsilon}}(0), u_{l_{\varepsilon}}''(0) \right) \end{split}$$

and $\varepsilon \|y_{l\varepsilon}''(0)\|_{2,\Gamma_1}^2 + (h(x)[u_{l\varepsilon}'(0) + f(x)y_{l\varepsilon}'(0) + q(x)y_{l\varepsilon}(0)], y_{l\varepsilon}''(0))_{\Gamma_1} = 0.$

Using the known conditions and Hölder's inequality, it follows that there exists a constant C > 0 such that $\|u_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{"}(0)\|_{2} \leq C$ and $\|y_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{"}(0)\|_{2,\Gamma_{1}}^{2} = 0$.

Differentiating Eq. (7) with respect to t and replacing w_s and ξ_s with $u''_{l_e}(t)$ and $y''_{l_e}(t)$, respectively, it holds

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left[\frac{1}{2}\int_{\Omega}u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime\prime2}\,dx + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\int_{\Gamma_{1}}y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime\prime2}\,d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2}\int_{\Gamma_{1}}hqy_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime2}\,d\Gamma\right] + \int_{\Omega}\left|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}\right|^{\beta-2}\left|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}\right|^{\prime\prime2}\,dx$$

$$+ (\beta - 2) \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \right|^{\beta - 4} \left(\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \cdot \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' \right)^{2} dx + \gamma \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \right|^{2} dx + \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hfy_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'^{2} d\Gamma$$

$$= -\alpha \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \right|^{m - 2} \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \cdot \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' dx$$

$$- \alpha (m - 2) \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \right|^{m - 4} \left(\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \cdot \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' \right) \left(\nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \cdot \nabla u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' \right) dx$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i}(p_{i} - 1) \int_{\Omega} \left| u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \right|^{p_{i} - 2} u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}' u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' dx - \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} b_{j}(q_{j} - 1) \int_{\Omega} \left| u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}} \right|^{q_{j} - 2} u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' u_{l_{\mathcal{E}}}'' dx.$$

$$(12)$$

Using Hölder's inequality and Young's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| -\alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-2} \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}' \cdot \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'' dx \\ &- \alpha (m-2) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-4} (\nabla u_{l\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}') (\nabla u_{l\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'') dx \right| \\ &\leq \left| \alpha (m-1) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-2} \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}' \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'' dx \right| \\ &\leq \alpha (m-1) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-2} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}' \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}''| dx \\ &\leq \alpha (m-1) \left(\int_{\Omega} (|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-2} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}''|)^{2} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'|^{2} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \alpha (m-1) \kappa \left(\int_{\Omega} (|\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}|^{m-2} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}''|)^{2} dx \right) + \alpha (m-1) C_{1}(\kappa) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_{l\varepsilon}'|^{2} dx \tag{13}$$

and

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i}(p_{i}-1) \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\varepsilon}|^{p_{i}-2} u_{l\varepsilon}' u_{l\varepsilon}'' dx \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i}(p_{i}-1) \kappa \int_{\Omega} \left(|u_{l\varepsilon}|^{p_{i}-2} u_{l\varepsilon}'' \right)^{2} dx + \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} a_{i}(p_{i}-1) C_{1}(\kappa) \int_{\Omega} u_{l\varepsilon}'^{2} dx, \quad (14)$$

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} b_{j}(q_{j}-1) \int_{\Omega} |u_{l\varepsilon}|^{q_{j}-2} u_{l\varepsilon}' u_{l\varepsilon}'' dx \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}} b_{i}(q_{i}-1) \kappa \int_{\Omega} \left(|u_{l\varepsilon}|^{q_{i}-2} u_{l\varepsilon}'' \right)^{2} dx + \sum_{i=1}^{l_{2}} b_{j}(q_{j}-1) C_{1}(\kappa) \int_{\Omega} u_{l\varepsilon}'^{2} dx \quad (15)$$

for any $\kappa > 0$. Let κ be sufficiently small, we have the following inequality by use of Eqs. (12)–(15):

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime\prime 2} dx + \frac{1}{\beta} \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime} \right|^{\beta} dx + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} y_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime\prime 2} d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hq y_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime 2} d\Gamma \right] + \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hf y_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime\prime 2} d\Gamma$$
$$\leq C \left[\int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime} \right|^{2} dx + \int_{\Omega} \left| u_{l_{\varepsilon}}^{\prime} \right|^{2} dx \right].$$

Integrating from 0 to t and using Eq. (11), it follows that there exists a constant $M_2(T) > 0$ such that

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime\prime2} dx + \frac{1}{\beta} \int_{\Omega} \left| \nabla u_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime} \right|^{\beta} dx + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime\prime2} d\Gamma + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hq y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime2} d\Gamma + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Gamma_{1}} hf y_{l\varepsilon}^{\prime\prime2} d\Gamma d\tau \\ \leq M_{2}(T).$$
(16)

Finally, combining with (10), (11), and (16) and using the Lions–Aubin theorem [29], we notice that $M_1(T)$ and $M_2(T)$ are independent of time, so we can obtain the existence of global solutions of Eqs. (1)–(2) by taking the limit of Eq. (7) with the similar method in [25], and the global solutions satisfy

$$u \in L^{\infty}(0, T; W^{1,m}(\Omega) \cap L^{q_{l_2}}(\Omega)), \qquad u_t \in L^{\infty}(0, T; W^{1,\beta}(\Omega)),$$
$$u_{tt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$$
and $y, y_t, y_{tt} \in L^{\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_1)).$

Remark 2 The nonlinear term in Eq. (1) is more complicated than that of the viscoelastic wave equation in [6]. This paper uses different methods to deal with the nonlinear terms and Laplacian operators. And a similar method is used to solve the double dispersive-dissipative wave equation with the Neumann condition in [27].

3 Nonexistence theorem

Let H(t) = -E(t), using Eqs. (3) and (5), we have

$$H(0) \le H(t) \le \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \frac{a_i}{p_i} \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx$$
(17)

for any $t \ge 0$. Let

$$L(t) = H^{(1-\sigma)}(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u u_t \, dx - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) f(x) y^2(t) \, d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) u(t) y(t) \, d\Gamma, \qquad (18)$$

where ε and σ are constants.

Lemma 2 Suppose that u(x,t) is a regular solution of Eq. (1) under condition (2), and the initial energy satisfies E(0) < 0. If $\sigma < \min\{\frac{m-2}{p_{l_1}}, \frac{m-\beta}{p_{l_1}(\beta-1)}, 1\}$, then there exists a positive constant r such that

$$L'(t) \ge r\varepsilon \left(H(t) + \|\nabla u\|_{m}^{m} + \|u_{t}\|_{2}^{2} + \int_{\Gamma_{1}} h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t) \, d\Gamma \right).$$
(19)

Proof Differentiating (18), the following equality can be obtained:

$$\begin{split} L'(t) &= (1-\sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u u_{tt} \, dx - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)f(x)y(t)y_t(t) \, d\Gamma \\ &- \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u_t(t)y(t) \, d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u(t)y_t(t) \, d\Gamma. \end{split}$$

Using Eqs. (1)-(2) and Green's first formula, we obtain

$$\begin{split} L'(t) &= (1-\sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx \\ &+ \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u \bigg[\alpha \operatorname{div} (|\nabla u|^{m-2} \nabla u) + \operatorname{div} (|\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_t) + \gamma \Delta u_t \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i |u|^{p_i-2}u - \sum_{j=1}^{l_2} b_j |u|^{q_j-2}u \bigg] dx \\ &- \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)f(x)y(t)y_t(t) d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u_t(t)y(t) d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u(t)y_t(t) d\Gamma \\ &= (1-\sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx \\ &- \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx - \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_t \nabla u \, dx - \varepsilon \gamma \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla u_t \, dx \\ &+ \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i \int_{\Omega} |u|^{q_i} dx \\ &- \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)f(x)y(t)y_t(t) d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} [\gamma \frac{\partial u_t}{\partial n} + \alpha |\nabla u|^{m-2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + |\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \frac{\partial u_t}{\partial n}] u \, d\Gamma \\ &- \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)f(x)y(t)y_t(t) d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u_t(t)y(t) d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u(t)y_t(t) d\Gamma \\ &= (1-\sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx \\ &- \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx - \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_t \nabla u \, dx \\ &- \varepsilon \gamma \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla u_t \, dx + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx \\ &- \varepsilon \gamma \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla u_t \, dx + \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) d\Gamma. \end{split}$$

We can obtain the following inequalities from Young's inequality and Hölder's inequality:

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \nabla u_t \, dx \le \frac{1}{4\kappa} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 \, dx + \kappa \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^2 \, dx,\tag{21}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta-2} \nabla u_t \nabla u \, dx \le \frac{\delta^{\beta}}{\beta} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} \, dx + \frac{\beta-1}{\beta} \delta^{-\frac{\beta}{\beta-1}} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta} \, dx.$$
(22)

Hence,

$$L'(t) \ge (1 - \sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx - \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx$$
$$-\varepsilon \frac{\delta^{\beta}}{\beta} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} dx - \varepsilon \frac{\beta - 1}{\beta} \delta^{-\frac{\beta}{\beta - 1}} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta} dx$$

$$\begin{split} &-\frac{\varepsilon\gamma}{4\kappa}\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}\,dx-\varepsilon\gamma\kappa\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u_{t}|^{2}\,dx+\varepsilon\sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}}a_{i}\int_{\Omega}|u|^{p_{i}}\,dx\\ &-\varepsilon\sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}}b_{j}\int_{\Omega}|u|^{q_{j}}\,dx+\varepsilon\int_{\Gamma_{1}}h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t)\,d\Gamma. \end{split}$$

Taking $\kappa = M_1 H^{-\sigma}(t)$ and $\delta^{-\frac{\beta}{\beta-1}} = M_2 H^{-\sigma}(t)$, and using f(x), h(x), H(t) > 0, we obtain

$$\begin{split} L'(t) &\geq (1-\sigma)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx - \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx - \frac{\varepsilon \gamma}{4M_1} H^{\sigma}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 \, dx \\ &- \varepsilon \gamma M_1 H^{-\sigma}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^2 \, dx - \frac{\varepsilon M_2^{-(\beta-1)}}{\beta} H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} \, dx \\ &- \varepsilon \frac{\beta - 1}{\beta} M_2 H^{-\sigma}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u_t|^{\beta} \, dx \\ &+ \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} \, dx - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{l_2} b_j \int_{\Omega} |u|^{q_j} \, dx + \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) q(x) y^2(t) \, d\Gamma. \end{split}$$

Let $M = \gamma M_1 + \frac{\beta - 1}{\beta} M_2$, using the energy functional (4), we have

$$L'(t) \geq (1 - \sigma - \varepsilon M)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx - \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx$$

$$- \frac{\varepsilon \gamma}{4M_1} H^{\sigma}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx$$

$$- \frac{\varepsilon M_2^{-(\beta-1)}}{\beta} H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} dx + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{l_2} b_j \int_{\Omega} |u|^{q_j} dx$$

$$+ \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) d\Gamma + \varepsilon M H^{-\sigma}(t) \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)f(x)y_t^2(t) d\Gamma$$

$$\geq (1 - \sigma - \varepsilon M)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx - \varepsilon \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx$$

$$- \frac{\varepsilon M_2^{-(\beta-1)}}{\beta} H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} dx + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} a_i \int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx$$

$$- \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{l_2} b_j \int_{\Omega} |u|^{q_j} dx + \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) d\Gamma.$$
(23)

From the definition of H(t), it follows that there is a constant k such that

$$L'(t) \ge (1 - \sigma - \varepsilon M) H^{-\sigma}(t) H'(t) + kH(t) + \left(\varepsilon + \frac{k}{2}\right) \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx$$
$$+ \left(\frac{k}{m} - \varepsilon\right) \alpha \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx$$

$$+\sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}}\left(\varepsilon-\frac{k}{p_{i}}\right)a_{i}\int_{\Omega}|u|^{p_{i}}dx+\sum_{j=1}^{l_{2}}\left(\frac{k}{q_{j}}-\varepsilon\right)b_{j}\int_{\Omega}|u|^{q}dx$$
$$+\left(\frac{k}{2}+\varepsilon\right)\int_{\Gamma_{1}}h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t)d\Gamma$$
$$-\frac{\varepsilon}{\beta}M_{2}^{-(\beta-1)}H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t)\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{\beta}dx-\frac{\varepsilon\gamma}{4M_{1}}H^{\sigma}(t)\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{2}dx.$$
(24)

Using $W^{1,m}(\Omega) \to H^1(\Omega)$, $W^{1,m}(\Omega) \to L^{p_i}(\Omega)$, $m \ge \beta$, and Inequality (17), after simple calculation, it can be concluded

$$H^{\sigma}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{2} dx \leq C \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} \left(\frac{a}{p_{i}}\right)^{\sigma} \left(\int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_{i}} dx\right)^{\sigma} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{2} dx$$
$$\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{l_{1}} \left(\frac{a}{p_{i}}\right)^{\sigma} \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{m} dx\right)^{\frac{\sigma p_{i}+2}{m}}$$
(25)

and

$$H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t)\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^{\beta}\,dx \le C\sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \left(\frac{a_i}{p_i}\right)^{\sigma(\beta-1)} \left(\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^m\,dx\right)^{\frac{p_i\sigma(\beta-1)+\beta}{m}}.$$
(26)

For any constants $z \ge 0$ and M > 0, the algebraic inequality

$$z^{\nu} \le z + 1 \le \left(1 + \frac{1}{M}\right)(z + M), \quad (0 < \nu < 1)$$
 (27)

holds. Using the known condition $\sigma < \min\{\frac{m-2}{p_{l_1}}, \frac{m-\beta}{p_{l_1}(\beta-1)}\}$, we have $\sigma < \frac{m-2}{p_l}$ and $\sigma < \frac{m-\beta}{p_l(\beta-1)}$ for any $1 \le i \le l_1$. Hence from (27) the following inequalities can be acquired:

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx\right)^{\frac{\sigma p_l + 2}{m}} \le \left(1 + \frac{1}{H(0)}\right) \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx + H(0)\right)$$
$$\le \left(1 + \frac{1}{H(0)}\right) \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx + H(t)\right),\tag{28}$$

and

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx\right)^{\frac{p_i \sigma(\beta-1)+\beta}{m}} \le \left(1 + \frac{1}{H(0)}\right) \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + H(t)\right). \tag{29}$$

From Inequalities (25) and (26), we can obtain that there exist two positive constants N_1 and N_2 such that

$$\frac{\varepsilon\gamma}{4M_1}H^{\sigma}(t)\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^2\,dx\leq\varepsilon N_1\left(\int_{\Omega}|\nabla u|^m\,dx+H(t)\right)\tag{30}$$

and

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\beta} M_2^{-(\beta-1)} H^{\sigma(\beta-1)}(t) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{\beta} \, dx \le \varepsilon N_2 \bigg(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + H(t) \bigg). \tag{31}$$

Consequently, taking $k = \frac{1}{2}(N_1 + N_2 + \frac{mN_1}{\alpha} + \frac{mN_2}{\alpha} + m + p_1 + q_1)\varepsilon$, we obtain from (24) that there exists a positive constant *r* such that

$$L'(t) \geq (1 - \sigma - \varepsilon M)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t) + (k - N_1\varepsilon - N_2\varepsilon)H(t) + \left(\varepsilon + \frac{k}{2}\right)\int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx$$

+ $\left(\frac{k}{m} - \varepsilon - \frac{N_1}{\alpha}\varepsilon - \frac{N_2}{\alpha}\varepsilon\right)\alpha\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx + \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} \left(\varepsilon - \frac{k}{p_i}\right)a_i\int_{\Omega} |u|^{p_i} dx$
+ $\sum_{j=1}^{l_2} \left(\frac{k}{q_j} - \varepsilon\right)b_j\int_{\Omega} |u|^q dx + \left(\frac{k}{2} + \varepsilon\right)\int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t)\,d\Gamma$
 $\geq (1 - \sigma - \varepsilon M)H^{-\sigma}(t)H'(t)$
+ $r\varepsilon \left[H(t) + \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m dx + \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t)\,d\Gamma\right].$ (32)

Taking $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1-\sigma}{M}$, we can get the following formula from (18):

$$\begin{split} L(0) &= H^{(1-\sigma)}(0) + \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} u_0(x) u_1(x) \, dx - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) f(x) y^2(0) \, d\Gamma - \varepsilon \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) u(0) y(0) \, d\Gamma \\ &> 0. \end{split}$$

Using Inequality (32), it holds

$$L'(t) \geq r\varepsilon \bigg[H(t) + \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) \, d\Gamma \bigg].$$

After integral, we can get $L(t) \ge L(0) > 0$, $(\forall t \ge 0)$.

Theory 2 Suppose $\alpha, \gamma, a_i, b_j > 0$ and $2 < \beta < m < q_{l_2} < \cdots < q_2 < q_1 < p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_{l_1} < r^*$, where r^* is the critical Sobolev index in $W^{1,m}(\Omega)$. If the initial energy E(0) < 0, then any regular solutions of Eqs. (1)–(2) must blow up in finite time.

Proof Firstly, it is proved that when $0 < \sigma < \frac{m-2}{2m}$, there exists a positive constant C such that

$$L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \le C\left(H(t) + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + \int_{\Omega} |u_t|^2 \, dx + \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) \, d\Gamma\right). \tag{33}$$

In fact, using (18) and f, h > 0, we get

$$L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \le C(\varepsilon,\sigma) \bigg[H(t) + \left(\int_{\Omega} u u_t \, dx \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} + \left(\int_{\Gamma_1} h(x) u(t) y(t) \, d\Gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \bigg]. \tag{34}$$

Furthermore, by using Hölder's inequality and Young's inequality, we can get

$$\begin{split} \left(\int_{\Omega} u u_t \, dx\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} &\leq \left(\int_{\Omega} u^2 \, dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2(1-\sigma)}} \left(\int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2(1-\sigma)}} \\ &\leq C \bigg(\int_{\Omega} |u|^m \, dx\bigg)^{\frac{1}{m(1-\sigma)}} \bigg(\int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx\bigg)^{\frac{1}{2(1-\sigma)}} \\ &\leq C \bigg[\left(\int_{\Omega} |u|^m \, dx\right)^{\frac{\mu}{m(1-\sigma)}} + \left(\int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx\right)^{\frac{\theta}{2(1-\sigma)}} \bigg], \end{split}$$

where $\frac{1}{\mu} + \frac{1}{\theta} = 1$. Taking $\theta = 2(1 - \sigma)$, we have $\mu = \frac{2(1 - \sigma)}{1 - 2\sigma}$. By Poincare's inequality, it follows

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} u u_t \, dx\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C \left[\left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx\right)^{\frac{2}{m(1-2\sigma)}} + \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx \right]. \tag{35}$$

If $0 < \sigma < \frac{m-2}{2m}$, then we get $0 < \frac{2}{m(1-2\sigma)} < 1$. From (17), (27), and (35), we obtain

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} u u_t \, dx\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + H(0) + \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx\right)$$
$$\leq C \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + H(t) + \int_{\Omega} u_t^2 \, dx\right). \tag{36}$$

On the other hand, by Hölder's inequality and $W_0^{1,m}(\Omega) \to L^2(\Gamma_1)$, we have

$$\begin{split} \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)u(t)y(t) \, d\Gamma &= \left| \int_{\Gamma_1} \frac{h(x)q(x)}{q(x)} u(t)y(t) \, d\Gamma \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\|h\|_{\infty}^{\frac{1}{2}} \|q\|_{\infty}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{q_0} \left(\int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) \, d\Gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\Gamma_1} u^2(t) \, d\Gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq C \left(\int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) \, d\Gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx \right)^{\frac{1}{m}}. \end{split}$$

Hence, using (27) and the similar method above, it can be obtained

$$\left(\int_{\Gamma_{1}} h(x)u(t)y(t)\,d\Gamma\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} \leq C\left(\int_{\Gamma_{1}} h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t)\,d\Gamma\right)^{\frac{1}{2(1-\sigma)}} \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{m}\,dx\right)^{\frac{1}{m(1-\sigma)}}$$
$$\leq C\left[\int_{\Gamma_{1}} h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t)\,d\Gamma + \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{m}\,dx\right)^{\frac{2}{m(1-2\sigma)}}\right]$$
$$\leq C\left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^{m}\,dx + H(t) + \int_{\Gamma_{1}} h(x)q(x)y^{2}(t)\,d\Gamma\right).$$
(37)

From (34), (36), and (37), we get

$$L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \leq C\left(H(t) + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^m \, dx + \int_{\Omega} |u_t|^2 \, dx + \int_{\Gamma_1} h(x)q(x)y^2(t) \, d\Gamma\right),$$

where *C* is only related to σ , ε , q_0 , $||q||_{\infty}$, $||h||_{\infty}$, and H(0).

Taking $\sigma < \min\{\frac{m-2}{p_{l_1}}, \frac{m-\beta}{p_{l_1}(\beta-1)}, \frac{m-2}{2m}, 1\}$, by Inequalities (33) and (19) in Lemma 2, it follows that there exists a constant $\xi > 0$ such that

$$L'(t) \ge \xi L^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}(t) \tag{38}$$

for any $t \ge 0$. Integrating the above formula with respect to *t* on [0, t], we get

$$L^{\frac{\sigma}{1-\sigma}}(t) \ge \frac{1}{L^{\frac{-\sigma}{1-\sigma}}(0) - \frac{\sigma\xi}{1-\sigma}t}$$
(39)

for any $t \ge 0$. Hence there exists $T^* \le \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma \xi L \frac{1-\sigma}{1-\sigma}(0)}$ such that $\lim_{t\to T^*} L(t) = \infty$, that means the regular solution u(x, t) must blow up in finite time.

Remark 3 Compared with the quasilinear viscoelastic wave equation in [8] and [9], we not only prove the existence of global solutions of the equation, but also give the more complex nonlinear terms.

4 Conclusion

When the wave equation has nonlinear source terms, m and β order Laplacian operators, we discuss the initial boundary problem of the wave equation under acoustic boundary conditions. We firstly prove that the energy corresponding to any regular solutions is non-increasing with respect to t. Combined with the theory of convergence, the existence of the global solution is proved by using the approximate solutions constructed by the Faedo–Galerkin method. On the other hand, we investigate the nonexistence of global solutions and give the sufficient conditions of blow-up of any regular solutions in finite time.

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