

# Lower Bounds for the Blow up Time to a Coupled Nonlinear Hyperbolic Type Equations

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#### Abstract

The initial and Dirichlet boundary value problem of nonlinear hyperbolic type equations in a bounded domain is studied. We established a lower bounds for the blow up time.

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper, we deal with the lower bounds of the blow up time of solutions of the following hyperbolic type equations

$$u_{tt} - div \left( \rho \left( |\nabla u|^2 \right) \nabla u \right) - \Delta u_{tt} + |u_t|^{m-1} u_t = f_1(u, v), \quad (x, t) \in \Omega \times (0, T), v_{tt} - div \left( \rho \left( |\nabla v|^2 \right) \nabla v \right) - \Delta v_{tt} + |v_t|^{r-1} v_t = f_2(u, v), \quad (x, t) \in \Omega \times (0, T), u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x), \qquad x \in \Omega, v(x, 0) = v_0(x), \quad v_t(x, 0) = v_1(x), \qquad x \in \Omega, u(x, t) = v(x, t) = 0, \qquad x \in \partial\Omega,$$
(1.1)

where  $\Omega \subset R^n$  (n = 1, 2, 3) is a bounded domain with a sufficiently smooth boundary  $\partial \Omega$ ;  $m, r \ge 1$  are constants, and  $f_i(u, v) : R^2 \to R$  (i = 1, 2) are functions which will be specified later. Also,

$$\rho(s) = b_1 + b_2 s^q, \quad q, b_1, b_2 \ge 0.$$

In the absence of the dispersion terms ( $\Delta u_{tt}$  and  $\Delta v_{tt}$ ), eq. (1.1) reduces to the following system

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - div \left( \rho \left( |\nabla u|^2 \right) \nabla u \right) - \Delta u_{tt} + |u_t|^{m-1} u_t = f_1(u, v), \\ v_{tt} - div \left( \rho \left( |\nabla v|^2 \right) \nabla v \right) - \Delta v_{tt} + |v_t|^{r-1} v_t = f_2(u, v). \end{cases}$$

$$(1.2)$$

In [1], Wu et al. considered the global existence and the blow up of the solution of the problem (1.2). Later, Fei and Hongjun [2] improved the blow up result in [1]. Finally, in [3], Pişkin and Polat studied the existence, the decay and the blow up of the solutions for the problem (1.2).

The aim of this paper note is to derive a lower bound for the blow up time occurs. Before stating our main theorem, we give some notations, lemmas and theorems.

# 2. Preliminaries

In this paper, we denote  $\|.\| = \|.\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$  and  $\|.\|_p = \|.\|_{L^p(\Omega)}$ . Moreover,  $c_i$  (i = 1, 2, ...) are arbitrary constants. Let

$$f_1(u,v) = (p+1) \left[ a |u+v|^{p-1} (u+v) + b |uv|^{\frac{p-1}{2}} v \right],$$

and

$$f_2(u,v) = (p+1) \left[ a \left| u + v \right|^{p-1} (u+v) + b \left| uv \right|^{\frac{p-1}{2}} u \right]$$

where a, b > 0 are constant and p satisfies

$$\begin{cases} 1 2. \end{cases}$$
(2.1)

By a simple calculation, we have

$$uf_1(u,v) + vf_2(u,v) = (p+1)F(u,v), \quad (u,v) \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$
(2.2)

where

$$F(u,v) = \left[a|u+v|^{p+1} + 2b|uv|^{\frac{p+1}{2}}\right].$$
(2.3)

We define

$$J(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ b_1 \left( \|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2 \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2q+2} \left[ b_2 \left( \|\nabla u\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2} + \|\nabla v\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2} \right) \right] - \int_{\Omega} F(u, v) \, dx, \tag{2.4}$$

and

$$I(t) = \left[b_1\left(\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2\right)\right] + \left[b_2\left(\|\nabla u\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2} + \|\nabla v\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2}\right)\right] - (p+1)\int_{\Omega} F(u,v)\,dx.$$
(2.5)

We also define the energy functional as follows

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \|u_t\|^2 + \|v_t\|^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left[ b_1 \left( \|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2 \right) \right] \\ + \frac{1}{2q+2} \left[ b_2 \left( \|\nabla u\|^{2q+2}_{2q+2} + \|\nabla v\|^{2q+2}_{2q+2} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left( \|\nabla u_t\|^2 + \|\nabla v_t\|^2 \right) - \int_{\Omega} F(u,v) \, dx.$$
(2.6)

We also define

$$W_{-} = \left\{ (u,v) : (u,v) \in W_{0}^{1,2q+2}(\Omega) \times W_{0}^{1,2q+2}(\Omega), \ I(u,v) < 0 \right\}.$$
(2.7)

The next lemma shows that our energy functional (2.6) is a nonincreasing function along the solution of (1.1).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Energy functional is a nonincreasing function for*  $t \ge 0$  *and* 

$$E'(t) = -\left(\|u_t\|_{m+1}^{m+1} + \|v_t\|_{r+1}^{r+1}\right) \le 0.$$
(2.8)

*Proof.* Multiplying the first equation in (1.1) by  $u_t$  and the second equation by  $v_t$ , integrating over  $\Omega$ . Then integrating by parts, we get

$$E(t) - E(0) = -\int_0^t \left( \|u_{\tau}\|_{m+1}^{m+1} + \|v_{\tau}\|_{r+1}^{r+1} \right) d\tau \text{ for } t \ge 0$$
(2.9)

Lemma 2.2. (Sobolev-Poincare inequality) [4]. Let

$$\begin{cases} 2 \le p < \infty; \quad n = 1, 2, \\ 2 \le p \le \frac{2n}{n-2}; \quad n \ge 3 \end{cases}$$

then there is a constant  $C_* = C_*(\Omega, p)$  such that

$$\left\|u\right\|_{p} \leq C_{*} \left\|\nabla u\right\|, \quad \forall u \in H_{0}^{1}\left(\Omega\right).$$

**Lemma 2.3.** [5, 6] There exist two positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that

$$\int_{\Omega} |f_1(u,v)|^2 dx \le c_1 \left( \|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2 \right)^l$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} |f_2(u,v)|^2 dx \le c_2 \left( \|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2 \right)^p$$

are satisfied.

The local existence theorem which can be established combining the arguments of [3].

**Theorem 2.4.** (*Existence-uniqueness*). Assume that (2.1) holds. Then further that  $u_0, v_0 \in W_0^{1,2q+2}(\Omega) \cap L^{p+1}(\Omega)$  and  $u_1, v_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ . Then the system (1.1) has a unique local solution

$$u,v \in C\left(\left[0,T\right); W_0^{1,2q+2}\left(\Omega\right) \cap L^{p+1}\left(\Omega\right)\right).$$

**Theorem 2.5.** [7]. Suppose that  $r > \max\{p,q\}$  and E(0) < 0 hold. Then the solution u of the system blows up in finite time  $T^*$ .

### 3. Lower bound for blow up time

In this section, our aim is to determine a lower bound for blow up time of the system (1.1).

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $u_0, v_0 \in W_0^{1,2q+2}(\Omega) \cap L^{p+1}(\Omega)$ ,  $u_1, v_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ ,  $(u_0, v_0) \in W_{-}$ , and 1 < p, q < r. Assume that (2.1) holds. Then the solutions u of the problem (1.1) become unbounded at finite time  $T^*$ . Also, the lower bounds for the blow up time is given by

$$\int_{\psi(0)}^{\infty} \frac{d\psi(z)}{\psi(\tau) + E(0) + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} (p+1)^p \psi^p(\tau)} \le T^*$$

Proof. We define

$$\Psi(t) = \int_{\Omega} F(u, v) dx$$
(3.1)

By taking a derivative of (3.1), we get

$$\Psi'(t) = \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t F_u + v_t F_v \right) dx \tag{3.2}$$

Thanks to Young's inequality, we have

$$\psi'(t) \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t^2 + v_t^2 \right) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( F_u^2 + F_v^2 \right) dx.$$

By the Lemma 3, we get

$$\Psi'(t) \le \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t^2 + v_t^2 \right) dx + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} \left( \|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2 \right)^p$$
(3.3)

Since I(t) < 0, we have

$$b_1\left(\|\nabla u\|^2 + \|\nabla v\|^2\right) + b_2\left(\|\nabla u\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2} + \|\nabla v\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2}\right) \le (p+1)\int_{\Omega} F(u,v)\,dx.$$
(3.4)

Inserting (3.4) into (3.3), we have

$$\Psi'(t) \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t^2 + v_t^2 \right) dx + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} \left( (p+1) \int_{\Omega} F(u, v) dx \right)^p \\
= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t^2 + v_t^2 \right) dx + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} (p+1)^p \left( \int_{\Omega} F(u, v) dx \right)^p \\
= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left( u_t^2 + v_t^2 \right) dx + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} (p+1)^p \Psi^p(t)$$
(3.5)

By the definition E(t), we get

$$(q+1)\left(\|u_{t}\|^{2}+\|v_{t}\|^{2}\right)+(q+1)b_{1}\left(\|\nabla u\|^{2}+\|\nabla v\|^{2}\right) +b_{2}\left(\|\nabla u\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2}+\|\nabla v\|_{2q+2}^{2q+2}\right)+(q+1)\left(\|\nabla u_{t}\|^{2}+\|\nabla v_{t}\|^{2}\right) = (2q+2)E(t)+(2q+2)\int_{\Omega}F(u,v)dx \leq (2q+2)E(0)+(2q+2)\psi(t)$$
(3.6)

Combining (3.5) and (3.6), we have

$$\psi'(t) \le \psi(t) + E(0) + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} (p+1)^p \psi^p(t).$$
(3.7)

Applying Theorem 5, we have

$$\lim_{t \to T^*} \int_{\Omega} F(u, v) \, dx = \infty \tag{3.8}$$

According to (3.7), (3.8), we have

$$\int_{\psi(0)}^{\infty} \frac{d\psi(z)}{\psi(\tau) + E(0) + \frac{c_1 + c_2}{2} (p+1)^p \psi^p(\tau)} \le T^*.$$

This completes the proof.

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