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**EXISTENCE OF A SOLUTION FOR A HIGHER ORDER PARABOLIC
EQUATION IN UNBOUNDED DOMAIN,
BY THE METHOD OF INTRODUCING A PARAMETER**

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In this paper we consider the initial boundary value problem for the equation $u_{tt} + A_1 u + A_2 u_t + g(u_t) = f(x, t)$ in an unbounded domain, where A_1 is a linear elliptic operator of the fourth order and A_2 is a linear elliptic operator of the second order. Using the method of introducing a parameter we obtain the conditions of the existence of the weak solution for this problem.

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Рассматривается краевая задача с начальными условиями для уравнения $u_{tt} + A_1 u + A_2 u_t + g(u_t) = f(x, t)$ в неограниченной области, где A_1 — линейный эллиптический оператор четвертого порядка, а A_2 — линейный эллиптический оператор второго порядка. С помощью метода введения параметра получены условия существования слабого решения этой задачи.

In [1]–[3] and [5]–[6], the authors have considered the Cauchy problem and initial boundary value problem for a parabolic equation of a high order and the properties of its solutions. The method of introducing a parameter has been used first of all to the uniqueness of the solution. For example in [7], the authors by introducing a parameter, have shown the uniqueness of a weak solution in the class of functions which do not grow faster than the function $e^{a|x|^\alpha}$ for $|x| \rightarrow \infty$. In [8] there was considered the long-time behaviour of a solution of the boundary value problem for the equation $\operatorname{div} \sigma(Du) + \Delta u_t - \delta^2 \Delta^2 u = u_{tt}$. In [9] there was considered the long-time behaviour of a solution of a class of nonlinear partial differential equations which model the dynamics of phase transitions in van der Waals fluid of the form $\operatorname{div} \sigma(\nabla u) + v \Delta u - \delta^2 \Delta^2 u = \rho u_{tt}$. In [10], the author proved using this method that the solution of problem (1)–(3) is unique. The main goal of this paper is to obtain by (introducing a parameter) some conditions for the existence of a weak solution for a parabolic equation of the fourth order with the second derivative with respect to time.

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an unbounded domain and $\partial\Omega \in C^1$, $\Omega \cap B_R = \Omega^R$ be a regular domain for all $R > 0$, where $B_R = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |x| < R\}$ and $Q_T = \Omega \times (0, T)$, $Q_T^R = \Omega^R \times (0, T)$, $\Omega_\tau = Q_\tau \cap \{t = \tau\}$, $Q_{\tau_0, \tau_1} = \Omega \times (\tau_0, \tau_1)$.

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We shall consider the equation of the form

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt}(x, t) + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n (a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}(x, t))_{x_k x_l} - \sum_{i,j=1}^n (a_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i}(x, t))_{x_j} - \\ - \sum_{i,j=1}^n (b_{ij}(x, t)u_{t x_i}(x, t))_{x_j} + a(x, t)u(x) + g(x, u_t) = f(x, t) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

in the domain Q_T . For this equation, we put the following boundary and initial conditions

$$u|_{S_T} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu}|_{S_T} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = u_0(x), \quad u_t|_{t=0} = u_1(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \quad (3)$$

where $S_T = \partial\Omega \times (0, T)$ and ν is a normal vector for S_T .

Let us start with some notation

$$H_{loc}^{0,k}(\bar{\Omega}) = \{u \in H^k(\Omega^R) : u|_{\partial\Omega \cap B_R} = 0, \frac{\partial^{k-1}u}{\partial \nu^{k-1}}|_{\partial\Omega \cap B_R} = 0, (\forall R > 0)\}, \quad k \in \{1, 2\},$$

$$L_{loc}^p(\bar{\Omega}) = \{u \in L^p(\Omega^R), \forall R > 0\},$$

$$H^{0,k}(\Omega^R) = \{u : \int_{\Omega^R} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} |D^\alpha u|^2 dx < \infty, u|_{\partial\Omega^R} = 0, \frac{\partial^{k-1}u}{\partial \nu^{k-1}}|_{\partial\Omega^R} = 0\}, \text{ and } k \in \{1, 2\};$$

$$D^\alpha = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}, \quad |\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n, \text{ and } \nu \text{ is the normal vector on } \partial\Omega.$$

For equation (1), we adapt the following system of assumptions:

(A) $a_{ij}^{kl}, (a_{ij}^{kl})_{x_k x_l}, (a_{ij}^{kl})_{tt} \in L^\infty(Q_T)$; $a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t) = a_{kl}^{ij}(x, t)$, $\{i, j, k, l\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ for almost all $(x, t) \in Q_T$;

$$\sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)\xi_i \xi_j \xi_k \xi_l \geq a_2 \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi_{ij}^2, \quad \{i, j, k, l\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\},$$

$$\sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n (a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t))_t \xi_i \xi_j \xi_k \xi_l \leq a_2^1 \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi_{ij}^2 \quad \text{for almost all } (x, t) \in Q_T \text{ and for all } \xi \in R^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}},$$

where $a_2 > 0$ is a constant;

$$a_{ij}, (a_{ij})_{x_j}, (a_{ij})_t \in L^\infty(Q_T), \quad \{i, j\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}; \quad a, a_t \in L^\infty(Q_T),$$

$$\text{(B)} \quad b_{ij}, (b_{ij})_{x_j}, (b_{ij})_t \in L^\infty(Q_T), \quad \{i, j\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}; \quad \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x, t)\xi_i \xi_j \geq b_0 \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^2$$

for almost all $(x, t) \in Q_T$ and for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $b_0 > 0$ is a constant;

(G) The functions $x \mapsto g(x, \xi)$, $x \mapsto g_\xi(x, \xi)$ are measurable for every $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ and the functions $\xi \mapsto g(x, \xi)$, $\xi \mapsto g_\xi(x, \xi)$ are continuous for almost all $x \in \Omega$ and satisfy the following inequalities: $(g(x, \xi) - g(x, \mu))(\xi - \mu) \geq g_0|\xi - \mu|^q$ for almost all $x \in \Omega$ and for all $\xi, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $g_0 = \text{const} > 0$;

$$|g(x, \xi)| \leq g_1|\xi|^{q-1} \quad \text{for almost all } x \in \Omega \text{ and for all } \xi \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ and some } q \in (2, +\infty).$$

Under these assumptions in paper [10], we proved that there exists a unique weak solution of the following problem

$$A(u) = f^R(x, t) \quad (4)$$

in the domain $Q_T^R = \Omega^R \times (0, T)$, $R > 1$, where

$$f^R(x, t) = \begin{cases} f(x, t), & \text{for } (x, t) \in Q_T^R, \\ 0, & \text{for } (x, t) \in Q_T \setminus Q_T^R, \end{cases} \quad R \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots\},$$

with the following boundary and initial conditions

$$u|_{t=0} = u_0^R(x), \quad u_t|_{t=0} = u_1^R(x), \quad x \in \Omega^R, \quad (5)$$

$$u|_{\partial\Omega^R \times (0,T)} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu}|_{\partial\Omega^R \times (0,T)} = 0, \quad (6)$$

where $u_0^R(x) = u_0(x) \cdot \zeta^R(x)$, $u_1^R(x) = u_1(x)\zeta^R(x)$ for $0 \leq \zeta^R(x) \leq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\zeta \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\zeta^R(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } |x| \leq R-1, \\ 0, & \text{for } |x| \geq R. \end{cases}$ We obtained the existence of a weak solution of the problem (1)–(3.)

We call a function u^R a weak solution of problem (4)–(6) if $u^R \in L^\infty((0, T); H^{0,2}(\Omega^R))$, $u_{tt}^R \in L^2((0, T); L^2(\Omega^R))$, $u_t^R \in L^2((0, T); H^{0,1}(\Omega^R)) \cap L^q(Q_T^R)$ and u^R satisfies the following integral identity:

$$\int_{Q_\tau^R} \left[u_{tt}^R w + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x,t) u_{x_i x_j}^R w_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i}^R w_{x_j} + a(x,t) u^R w + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i t}^R w_{x_j} + g(x, u^R) w \right] dx dt = \int_{Q_\tau^R} f^R(x,t) w dx dt$$

($\forall \tau \in (0, T]$) ($\forall w \in L^2((0, T); H^{0,2}(\Omega^R)) \cap L^q(Q_T^R)$) and the initial conditions (5).

We call a function u a weak solution of problem (1)–(3) if $u \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,2}(\bar{\Omega}))$, $u_t \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,1}(\bar{\Omega})) \cap L^p((0, T); L_{loc}^p(\bar{\Omega})) \cap C([0, T]; L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega}))$, and u satisfies the following integral identity:

$$\int_{\Omega} u_t(x, \tau) w(x, \tau) dx + \int_{Q_\tau} \left[-u_t w_t + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x) u_{x_i x_j} w_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) u_{x_i} w_{x_j} + a(x) u w + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i t} w_{x_j} + g(x, u_t) w \right] dx dt = \int_{Q_\tau} f(x,t) v dx dt + \int_{\Omega} u_1(x) w(x, 0) dx, \quad (7)$$

($\forall \tau \in (0, T]$) ($\forall w \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,2}(\bar{\Omega})) \cap L^p((0, T); L_{loc}^p(\bar{\Omega}))$, $w_t \in L^2((0, T); L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega}))$), where $\text{supp } w$ is bounded.

In order to prove the existence of a weak solution of the problem (1)–(3) in unbounded domain we will use the method of introducing a parameter.

Theorem 1. *If conditions (A), (B) and (G) hold, and*

$$\int_0^T \int_{B_R} |f|^2 dx dt + \int_{B_R} [|u_1| + |u_0| + \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{0x_i x_j}|^2] dx < b e^{\alpha R^2} \quad (\forall R > 1),$$

where $b, \alpha > 0$ are constants, then problem (1)–(3) has a weak solution on Q_{τ_0} .

Proof. Let $R = 2^p$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$. We extend every solution u^R of problem (4)–(6) by zero into Q_T . Hence, we obtain the sequence $\{u^p\}_{p=2}^\infty$. We prove that this sequence is a Cauchy sequence in some spaces.

Let $R_0 > 1$, $\chi > 0$. We define the functions Φ, Ψ where the function $\Phi \in C^2(R)$ is the following $\Phi_{R_0}(\zeta) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } \zeta \leq 0, \\ 0, & \text{for } \zeta \geq 1, \end{cases}$ and $\Psi_{R_0}(x) = [\Phi_{R_0}(\frac{|x|-R_0}{\chi})]^\gamma$, $\gamma > 4$.

Now we give some properties of the function Ψ : $\Psi_{R_0} \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\Psi_{R_0} = 1$ for $|x| \leq R_0$, $\Psi_{R_0} = 0$ for $|x| \geq R_0 + \chi$, $0 \leq \Psi_{R_0} \leq 1$, for $R_0 < |x| < R_0 + \chi$. There exists a constant C such that $|\Psi_{R_0}(x)_x| \leq \frac{C}{\chi} [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-1}$, $|\Psi_{R_0}(x)_{xx}| \leq \frac{C}{\chi^2} [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2}$.

Let $p > R_0 + 1$, $h > R_0 + 1$, $h \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\sigma = p$, $\sigma = h$. From equality (7) we obtain for u^σ , $\sigma \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$, $\tau \in (0, T]$, the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega_\tau} u_t^\sigma(x, \tau)w(x, \tau)dx + \int_{Q_\tau} \left(-u_t^\sigma w_t + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^\sigma w_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i}^\sigma w_{x_j} + \right. \\ & \left. + a(x, t)u^\sigma w + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i t}^\sigma w_{x_j} + g(x, u_t^\sigma)w \right) dx dt = \int_{Q_\tau} f(x, t)w dx dt + \int_{\Omega} u_1^f(x)w(x, 0)dx, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where $w \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,2}(\bar{\Omega})) \cap C([0, T]; L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega}))$, $w_t \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,1}(\bar{\Omega}))$, $\text{supp } w \subset Q_T^{R_0}$. From (8), if we choose w such that $\text{supp } w \subset \Omega_{R_0} \times (0, T]$ and denote $u^{p,h} = u^p - u^h$ then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega_\tau} u_t^{p,h}(x, \tau)w(x, \tau)dx + \int_{Q_\tau} \left(-u_t^{p,h} w_t + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h} w_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i}^{p,h} w_{x_j} + \right. \\ & \left. + a(x, t)u^{p,h} w + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i t}^{p,h} w_{x_j} + [g(x, u_t^p) - g(x, u_t^h)]w \right) dx dt = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

In (10) we take $w = u_t^{p,h}(x, t)\Psi_{R_0}(x)e^{-\mu t}$, $\mu > 0$. Hence, we will have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega_\tau} u_t^{p,h}(x, \tau)u_t^{p,h}(x, \tau)\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu\tau}dx + \int_{Q_\tau} \left(-u_t^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_t + \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{p,h}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i}^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_{x_j} + \right. \\ & \left. + a(x, t)u^{p,h}u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x, t)u_{x_i t}^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_{x_j} + \right. \\ & \left. + [g(x, u_t^p) - g(x, u_t^h)][u_t^p - u_t^h]\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t} \right) dx dt = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

If we consider the respective components of the last expression and we use that $u_0^{p,h}(x) = 0$, $x \in \Omega^{R_0}$, $f^{p,h}(x, t) = 0$, in $Q_T^{R_0}$ we will have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 + I_2 & := \int_{\Omega_\tau} u_t^{p,h}(x, \tau)u_t^{p,h}(x, \tau)\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu\tau}dx - \int_{Q_\tau} u_t^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_t dx dt = \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu\tau} dx + \frac{\mu}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \\ I_3 & := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}(u_t^{p,h}\Psi_{R_0}e^{-\mu t})_{x_k x_l} dx dt = I_3^1 + I_3^2 + I_3^3, \end{aligned}$$

where, from (A),

$$\begin{aligned} I_3^1 & := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h} u_{t x_k x_l}^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \geq \\ & \geq \frac{a_2}{2} \int_{\Omega_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu\tau} dx + \frac{1}{2}(\mu a_2 - a_2^1) \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \\ I_3^2 & := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h} u_{t x_k}^{p,h} (\Psi_{R_0})_{x_l} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ & \leq \frac{A_2 \delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n |u_{t x_i}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu\tau} dx dt + \frac{C}{2\delta_0 \chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_0 > 0$ and $A_2 = \text{ess sup}_{Q_T} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n [a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)]^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} I_3^3 & := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x, t)u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h} u_t^{p,h} (\Psi_{R_0})_{x_k x_l} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ & \leq \frac{C\delta}{2\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu\tau} dx dt + \frac{A_2}{2\delta\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Q_\tau} (u^{p,h}(x,t))^2 \Psi_{R_0}(x) e^{-\mu t} dx dt &\leq 2T^2 \int_{Q_\tau} (u_t^{p,h}(x,t))^2 \Psi_{R_0}(x) e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \\ \int_{Q_\tau} (u_{x_i}^{p,h}(x,t))^2 \Psi_{R_0}(x) e^{-\mu t} dx dt &\leq 2T^2 \int_{Q_\tau} (u_{x_i t}^{p,h}(x,t))^2 \Psi_{R_0}(x) e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we can observe that $\int_Q u_{x_i}^{p,h} u^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt = \int_\Omega (u_{x_i}^{p,h} u^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t})_{x_i} dx - \int_Q (u_{x_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt - \int_Q u_{x_i}^{p,h} u^{kl} \Psi_{R_0 x_i} e^{-\mu t} dx dt$, hence we obtain for function Ψ that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q (u_{x_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt &\leq \delta \int_\Omega (u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\delta} \int_Q (u^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{M}{\chi^2} \int_Q (u^{p,h})^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \quad \delta > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, we consider

$$I_4 := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i}^{p,h} (u_t^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t})_{x_j} dx dt = I_4^1 + I_4^2.$$

We obtain the following estimation:

$$\begin{aligned} I_4^1 &:= \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i}^{p,h} u_{tx_j}^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_{tx_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{A_1}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_{x_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \frac{\delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_{tx_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \\ &\frac{A_1}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{A_1 n}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} (u^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{Mn}{\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} (u^{p,h})^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ &\frac{\delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_{tx_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{A_1}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{A_1 n T^2}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} (u_t^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \\ &\quad + \frac{MnT^2}{\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} (u_t^{p,h})^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \\ I_4^2 &:= \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i}^{p,h} u_t^{p,h} (\Psi_{R_0})_{x_j} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \frac{A_1}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n |u_{x_i}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu \tau} dx dt + \\ &+ \frac{C}{2\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \frac{A_1}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu \tau} dx dt + \frac{T^2 A_1 n}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \\ &\quad + \frac{MT^2 n}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu \tau} dx dt + \frac{C}{2\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} I_4 &\leq \frac{\delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_{tx_i}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{A_1(1+\delta_0)}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \\ &+ \frac{A_1 T^2 n(1+\delta_0)}{2\delta_0} \int_{Q_\tau} (u_t^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{3MT^2 n + C}{2\chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu \tau} dx dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $A_1 = \text{ess sup}_{Q_T} \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}^2(x,t)$. Next, from assumption **(A)** and the initial condition we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_5 &:= \int_{Q_\tau} a(x,t) u^{p,h} u_t^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{A_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} [(u^{p,h})^2 + (u_t^{p,h})^2] \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \frac{(T^2+1)A_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} (u_t^{p,h})^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $A_0 = \text{ess sup}_{Q_T} |a(x,t)|$. Next, from **(B)** we have

$$I_6 := \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x,t) u_{x_i}^{p,h} (u_t^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t})_{x_j} dx dt = I_6^1 + I_6^2,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_6^1 &:= \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x,t) u_{tx_j}^{p,h} u_{tx_i}^{p,h} \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \geq b_0 \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{tx_i}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt, \\ I_6^2 &:= \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x,t) u_{tx_i}^{p,h} u_t^{p,h} (\Psi_{R_0})_{x_j} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{C}{2\delta_0 \chi^2} \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{B_1 \delta_0}{2} \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n |u_{tx_i}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

where $B_1 = \text{ess sup}_{Q_T} \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}^2(x,t)$. Moreover, by virtue of condition **(G)** we get

$$I_7 := \int_{Q_\tau} [g(x, u_t^p) - g(x, u_t^h)] [u_t^p - u_t^h] \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \geq g_0 \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^q \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt.$$

From the estimates of the integrals I_1, \dots, I_7 and (10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_\tau} [|u_t^{p,h}|^2 + a_2 \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2] \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu \tau} dx + \frac{1}{2} [\mu - (T^2 + 1)A_0 - \frac{A_1 T^2 n(1+\delta_0)}{\delta_0}] \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \\ &+ g_0 \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^q \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \frac{1}{2} [\mu a_2 - a_2^2 - \frac{A_1(1+\delta_0)}{\delta_0}] \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} [2b_0 - (B_1 + A_2 + 1)\delta_0] \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{tx_i}^{p,h}|^2 \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \leq \frac{1}{2} [\frac{C+A_2}{\delta_0 \chi^2}] \int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} [C\delta_0 + \frac{C}{\delta_0} + C + 3MT^2 n] \int_{Q_\tau} |u_t^{p,h}|^2 [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu t} dx dt. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Now, we choose $\delta_0 = \frac{2b_0}{(B_1 + A_2 + A_1)}$, $\mu a_2 = (\mu_0 + \mu_1) - \gamma$, $\mu_1 a_2 = \gamma$, where $\gamma = a_2^2 + \frac{A_1(1+\delta_0)}{2\delta}$.

From (12) we obtain the following inequality

$$\int_{Q_\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^n [|u_t^{p,h}|^2 + |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2] \Psi_{R_0} e^{-\mu_0 t} dx dt \leq \frac{C}{\chi^2 \mu_0} \int_0^\tau \sum_{i,j=1}^n [|u_t^{p,h}|^2 + |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2] [\Phi_{R_0}]^{\gamma-2} e^{-\mu_0 t} dx dt. \quad (12)$$

If we denote $v^{p,h} = \sum_{i,j=1}^n [|u_t^{p,h}|^2 + |u_{x_i x_j}^{p,h}|^2]$, then from (13) and assumption on the function Φ_{R_0} we obtain the following inequality

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0}} v^{p,h} e^{-\mu_0 t} dx dt \leq \frac{C}{\chi^2 \mu_0} \int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0+\chi}} v^{p,h} e^{-\mu_0 t} dx dt. \quad (13)$$

Now, we divide χ into s parts $\frac{\chi}{s}$ and assume that $\frac{Cs^2}{\chi^2 \mu_0} \leq e^{-1}$. From paper [7] and (14) we obtain

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0}} v^{p,h} dx dt \leq e^{-s+\mu_0 \tau} \int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0+\chi}} v^{p,h} dx dt. \quad (14)$$

Let $R_0 = 2^m$, $\chi = 2^m$, $R_0 + \chi = 2^{m+1}$, $\mu_0 = b \cdot 2^{2m}$, where b is some constant $s = \lambda 2^{2m}$ where $\lambda \in N$. Hence and from our assumption we get $\frac{Cs^2}{\chi^2 \mu_0} = \frac{C\lambda^2 2^{4m}}{2^{2m} 2^{2m} \cdot b} \leq e^{-1}$, and $\lambda^2 \leq \frac{e^{-1} \cdot b}{C}$.

Moreover, from (14) we obtain

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2^m}} v^{p,h} dx dt \leq e^{-s+\mu_0 \tau} \int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2^{m+1}}} v^{p,h} dx dt.$$

Therefore if $p = m + 1$, $h = m + 2$, we have

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} v^{m+1,m+2} dxdt \leq e^{-s+\mu_0\tau} \int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m+1}} [|v^{m+1}|^2 + |v^{m+2}|^2] dxdt. \tag{15}$$

If in (7) we put $w = u_t^m$ and integrating over the domain Q_τ^m we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{B_{2m}} \sum_{i,j=1}^n [|u_t^m|^2 + |u_{x_i x_j}^m|^2] \|_{t=\tau} dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} |f|^2 dxdt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{B_{2m}} \sum_{i,j=1}^n [u_1^m + u_0^m |u_{0x_i x_j}^m|^2] dx.$$

Hence

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} w_t^m \leq C \left(\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} |f|^2 dxdt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{B_{2m}} \sum_{i,j=1}^n [u_1^m + u_0^m |u_{0x_i x_j}^m|^2] dx \right).$$

The last inequality implies that

$$\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} w^{m+1,m+2} dxdt \leq C e^{-s+\mu_0\tau} \left(\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m+2}} |f|^2 dxdt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{B_{2m+2}} [u_1^{m+2} + u_0^{m+2} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n |u_{0x_i x_j}^{m+2}|^2] dx \right).$$

From assumption of Theorem we obtain $\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{2m}} w^{m+1,m+2} dxdt \leq C e^{-s+\mu_0\tau+\alpha 2^{2m+4}} = C e^{-\lambda 2^{2m} + 2^{2m} b\tau + \alpha 2^{2m+4} - \lambda 2^{2m} + 2^{2m} \tau + \alpha 2^{2m+4}} = -2^{2m}(\lambda - b\tau - 16\alpha) = -2^{2m}(16 - b\tau - 16\{\alpha\}) = -\alpha_1 2^{2m}$, where $\lambda = 16([\alpha] + 1)$, $\alpha_0 = 16(1 - \{\alpha\})$. We choose $\tau_0 < \frac{\alpha_0}{b}$ and $\alpha_1 > 0$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary small. Then we can choose R_0 such that

$$\left(\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0}} w^{m+1,m+\kappa} dxdt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \sum_{s=1}^{\kappa-1} \left(\int_0^\tau \int_{B_{R_0}} w^{m+s,m+s+1} dxdt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq C \sum_{s=1}^{\kappa-1} e^{-\alpha_1 2^m} < \epsilon. \tag{16}$$

It means that the sequence $\{u^m\}_{m=2}^\infty$ satisfies the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u^m &\rightarrow u \quad \text{in } L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,2}(\bar{\Omega})), \\ u_t^m &\rightarrow u_t \quad \text{in } L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,1}(\bar{\Omega})) \cap L^q((0, T); L_{loc}^q(\bar{\Omega})) \cap C([0, T]; L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega})), \end{aligned}$$

If we pass with m to infinity then from (8) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\Omega_\tau} u_t(x, \tau) w(x, \tau) dx + \int_{Q_\tau} \left[-u_t w_t + \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n a_{ij}^{kl}(x) u_{x_i x_j} w_{x_k x_l} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) u_{x_i} w_{x_j} + \right. \\ &\left. + \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij}(x) u_{t x_i} w_{x_j} + a_0(x) u w + g(x, u_t) w \right] dxdt = \int_{Q_\tau} f(x, t) w dxdt + \int_{\Omega_0} u_1(x) w(x, 0) dx, \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

$\forall w \in L^2((0, T); H_{loc}^{0,2}(\bar{\Omega})) \cap L^p((0, T); L_{loc}^p(\bar{\Omega}))$, $w_t \in L^2((0, T); L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega}))$, where $\text{supp } w$ is bounded. In addition $u^m(x, 0) = u_0^m(x)$, $u_0^m \rightarrow u_0$ in $L_{loc}^2(\bar{\Omega})$ hence $u(x, 0) = u_0(x)$. Moreover, $u_t^m(x, 0) = u_1^m(x)$, $u_1^m \rightarrow u_1$ in $L_{loc}^p(\bar{\Omega})$, hence $u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x)$. This means that the function u is a solution of problem (1)–(3). The proof is complete. \square

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