

Existence and exponential stability of solutions for laminated viscoelastic Timoshenko beams

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Abstract. In this paper, we consider a laminated Timoshenko beams with a viscoelastic damping. We prove well-posedness by using Faedo-Galerkin method and establish an exponential decay result by introducing a suitable Lyapunov functional.

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1 Introduction

Hansen and Spies [5] introduced a mathematical model for 2-layered beams with structural damping due to the interfacial slip. The model is as follows

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} \rho w_{tt}(x, t) + G(\psi - w_x)_x = 0, \\ I_\rho(3S_{tt} - \psi_{tt}) - G(\psi - w_x) - D(3S_{xx} - \psi_{xx}) = 0, \\ I_\rho S_{tt}(x, t) + G(\psi - w_x) + \frac{4}{3}\gamma S + \frac{4}{3}\beta S_t - DS_{xx} = 0. \end{cases}$$

where $w(x, t)$ is the transversal displacement, $\psi(x, t)$ denotes the rotational displacement and $S(x, t)$ is proportional to the amount of slip along the interface at time t and longitudinal spatial variable x . The coefficients $\rho, G, I_\rho, D, \gamma, \beta$ represent density, shear stiffness, mass moment of inertia, flexural rigidity, adhesive stiffness, and adhesive damping parameter, respectively.

In this paper, we consider a laminated viscoelastic Timoshenko beams. We use the notion of effective rotation angle $\xi = 3S - \psi$ in (1.1) with $\frac{4}{3}\gamma = 0$ and $\frac{4}{3}\beta = \mu$. Then adding the viscoelastic terms, we have, for $(x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, +\infty)$

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{cases} \rho w_{tt}(x, t) + G(3S - \xi - w_x)_x = 0, \\ I_\rho \xi_{tt}(x, t) - G(3S - \xi - w_x) - D\xi_{xx} + \int_0^t \varpi_1(r)\xi_{xx}(t-r)dr = 0, \\ I_\rho S_{tt}(x, t) + G(3S - \xi - w_x) - DS_{xx} + \mu S_t + \int_0^t \varpi_2(r)S_{xx}(t-r)dr = 0. \end{cases}$$

Under the boundary conditions

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{cases} w(0, t) = \xi(0, t) = S(0, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ \xi_x(1, t) = S_x(1, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ 3S(1, t) - \xi(1, t) - w_x(1, t) = 0, & t > 0, \end{cases}$$

and the initial conditions

$$(1.4) \quad (w, \xi, S)|_{t=0} = (w_0, \xi_0, S_0), \quad (w_t, \xi_t, S_t)|_{t=0} = (w_1, \xi_1, S_1).$$

In the absence of the viscoelastic term (that is, if $\varpi_1 = \varpi_2 = 0$), with constant delay and boundary feedbacks B. Feng [2] considered the following Timoshenko system

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{cases} \rho w_{tt}(x, t) + G(3S - \xi - w_x)_x + a_1 w_t(x, t - \tau) = 0, \\ I_\rho \xi_{tt}(x, t) - G(3S - \xi - w_x) - D\xi_{xx} + a_2 \xi_t(x, t - \tau) = 0, \\ I_\rho S_{tt}(x, t) + G(3S - \xi - w_x) - DS_{xx} + a_3 S_t(x, t - \tau) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $(x, t) \in (0, L) \times (0, \infty)$ and under the following boundary conditions

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} G(3s(L, t) - \xi(L, t) - w_x(L, t)) &= \alpha w_t(L, t), & t > 0, \\ D\xi_x(L, t) &= -\mu \xi_t(L, t), \quad 3DS_x(L, t) = -\nu S_t(L, t) & t > 0, \\ w(0, t) &= \xi(0, t) = S(0, t) = 0, & t > 0. \end{aligned}$$

The author proved the global well-posedness of solutions and exponential decay of energy to the system. (See [4, 3])

In [9] M. I. Mustafa considered the following system

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{cases} \rho \varphi_{tt}(x, t) + G(\psi - \varphi_x)_x = 0, \\ I_\rho (3\omega - \psi)_{tt}(x, t) - G(\psi - \varphi_x) \\ \quad - D(3\omega - \psi)_{xx} + \int_0^t g(t-s)(3\omega - \psi)_{xx}(s) ds = 0, \\ I_\rho \omega_{tt}(x, t) + G(\psi - \varphi_x) + \frac{4}{3}\gamma\omega + \frac{4}{3}\beta\omega_t - DS_{xx} = 0, \end{cases}$$

in $(0, 1) \times (0, +\infty)$, the author proved the well-posedness and for a wider class of relaxation functions, a generalized stability result for this system is establish. (See [6, 8, 10, 11])

In the present paper, the well-posedness of the problem is analyzed in Section 3 using the Faedo-Galerkin method. In Section 4, we prove the exponential decay of the energy when time goes to infinity.

2 Preliminaries and statement of main results

In this section, we present some materials that will be used to prove our main results. We denote $V = \{v \in H^1(0, 1) : v(0) = 0\}$. For the relaxation functions ϖ_1, ϖ_2 , we assume

(A1) $\varpi_i \in C^1(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}_+)$ (for $i = 1, 2$) satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi_1(0) > 0, \quad 0 < \beta_1(t) &:= D - \int_0^t \varpi_1(r) dr \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < \beta_1^0 := D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_1(r) dr, \\ \varpi_2(0) > 0, \quad 0 < \beta_2(t) &:= D - \int_0^t \varpi_2(r) dr \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < \beta_2^0 := D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_2(r) dr. \end{aligned}$$

(A2) There exist non-increasing functions $\chi_i(t) \in C^1(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that

$$\varpi_i'(t) \leq -\chi_i(t)\varpi_i(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^\infty \chi_i(t) dt = +\infty, \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2.$$

(A3) The wave speeds are equal that is $\frac{\rho}{G} = \frac{I_\rho}{D}$

Remark 2.1. The hypotheses (A1)-(A3) imply that

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} \beta_1^0 \leq \beta_1(t) \leq D, \\ \beta_2^0 \leq \beta_2(t) \leq D. \end{cases}$$

Let us introduce the following notations

$$\begin{aligned} (\varpi_i * h)(t) &:= \int_0^t \varpi_i(t-r)h(r)dr, \\ (\varpi_i \circ h)(t) &:= \int_0^t \varpi_i(t-r)|h(t) - h(r)|^2 dr, \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.1. For any $\varpi, h \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$, the following equation holds

$$2[\varpi * h]h' = \varpi' \circ h - \varpi(t)|h|^2 - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\varpi \circ h - \int_0^t \varpi(s) ds |h|^2 \right).$$

The existence and uniqueness result is stated as follows

Theorem 2.2. Assume that (A1 – A3) hold. Then given $(w_0, \xi_0, S_0) \in H^2(0, 1) \cap V$, $(w_1, \xi_1, S_1) \in V$, there exists a unique regular solution w, ξ, S of problem (1.2) such that

$$(w, \xi, S) \in C([0, +\infty[, H^2(0, 1) \cap V) \cap C^1([0, +\infty[, V).$$

For any regular solution of (1.2), we define the energy as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\rho w_t^2(x, t) + I_\rho \xi_t^2(x, t) dx \\ (2.2) \quad &+ 3I_\rho S_t^2(x, t) + G|3S - \xi - w_x|^2 + \beta_1(t)\xi_x^2 + \beta_2(t)S_x^2) dx \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Our decay result reads as follows

Theorem 2.3. *Let (w, ξ, S) be the solution of (1.2). Assume that (A1) – (A3) hold. Then there exist two positive constants C and d , such that*

$$(2.3) \quad \mathcal{E}(t) \leq C e^{-d \int_0^t \chi(r) dr}, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

3 Well-posedness of the problem

In this section, we will prove the existence and uniqueness of problem (1.2) by using Faedo-Galerkin method.

Proof. We divide the proof of Theorem 2.2 into two steps: the Faedo-Galerkin approximation and the energy estimates. (See [1])

Step 1 : **Faedo-Galerkin approximation.**

We construct approximations of the solution (w, ξ, S) by the Faedo-Galerkin method as follows. For $n \geq 1$, let $V_n = \text{span} \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a Hilbert basis of the space $H^2(0, 1) \cap V$.

We choose sequences

$$(w_0^n, w_1^n, \xi_0^n, \xi_1^n, S_0^n, S_1^n)$$

in V_n such that

$$(w_0^n, \xi_0^n, S_0^n, w_1^n, \xi_1^n, S_1^n) \rightarrow (w_0, \xi_0, S_0, w_1, \xi_1, S_1)$$

strongly in $H^2(0, 1) \cap V$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

We search the approximate solutions

$$w^n(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i^n(t) v_i(x),$$

$$\xi^n(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i^n(t) v_i(x)$$

$$S^n(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i^n(t) v_i(x)$$

to the finite dimensional Cauchy problem

$$(3.1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int_0^1 (\rho w_{tt}^n v_i - G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) v_{i,x}) dx = 0, \\ \int_0^1 (I_\rho \xi_{tt}^n v_i - G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) v_i + D \xi_x^n v_{i,x}) dx \\ \quad - \int_0^1 (\varpi_1(r) * \xi_x^n) v_{i,x} dx = 0, \\ \int_0^1 (I_\rho S_{tt}^n v_i + G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) v_i + D S_x^n v_{i,x} - \mu S_t^n v_i) dx \\ \quad - \int_0^1 (\varpi_2(r) * S_x^n) v_{i,x} dx = 0, \\ (w^n(0), \xi^n(0), S^n(0)) = (w_0^n, \xi_0^n, S_0^n), \\ (w_t^n(0), \xi_t^n(0), S_t^n(0)) = (w_1^n, \xi_1^n, S_1^n). \end{array} \right.$$

According to the standard theory of ordinary differential equations, the finite dimensional problem (3.1) has solution $f_i^n(t), h_i^n(t), k_i^n(t)$ defined on $[0, t)$. The a priori estimates that follow imply that in fact $t_n = T$.

Step 2: Energy estimates.

Multiplying the first, the second and the third equation of (3.1) by $(f_i^n(t))'$, $(h_i^n(t))'$ and $3(k_i^n(t))'$ respectively, we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{cases} \int_0^1 (w_{tt}^n w_t^n - G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) w_{xt}^n) dx = 0, \\ \int_0^1 (\xi_{tt}^n \xi_t^n - G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) \xi_t^n + D \xi_x^n \xi_{xt}^n) dx \\ \quad - \int_0^1 (\varpi_1(r) * \xi_x^n) \xi_{xt}^n dx = 0, \\ \int_0^1 3(S_{tt}^n S_t^n + 3G(3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n) S_t^n + D S_x^n S_{xt}^n + 3\mu |S_t^n|^2) dx \\ \quad - \int_0^1 3(\varpi_2(r) * S_x^n) S_{xt}^n dx = 0. \end{cases}$$

Integrating (3.2) over $(0, t)$, then summing all the equations and using Lemma (2.1), we obtain

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \mathcal{E}_n(t) + 3\mu \int_0^t \int_0^1 |S_t^n|^2 dx dr - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x^n) dx dr \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 \varpi_1(t) |\xi_x^n|^2 dx ds - \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x^n) dx dr \\ & + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 \varpi_2(t) |S_x^n|^2 dx ds \\ & = \mathcal{E}_n(0), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_n(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\rho(w_t^n)^2(x, t) + I_\rho(\xi_t^n)^2(x, t) + dx \\ &+ 3I_\rho(S_t^n)^2(x, t) + G|3S^n - \xi^n - w_x^n|^2) dx \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\beta_1(t)(\xi_x^n)^2 + \beta_2(t)(S_x^n)^2) dx \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x^n) dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x^n) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we have the following estimate

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_n(t) &- \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x^n) dx dr + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 \varpi_1(t) |\xi_x^n|^2 dx ds \\ &- \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x^n) dx dr + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 \varpi_2(t) |S_x^n|^2 dx dr \\ &\leq \mathcal{E}_n(0). \end{aligned}$$

Now, since the sequences $(w_0^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(w_1^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\xi_0^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\xi_1^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(S_0^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(S_1^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converge and using (A2), in both cases, we can find a positive constant c independent of n such that

$$(3.6) \quad \mathcal{E}_n(t) \leq c.$$

Therefore, using the fact that $\beta_i(t) \geq \beta_i(0)$, the estimate (3.6) together with (3.5) give us, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $t_n = T$,

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{array}{ll} (w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ (\xi^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ (S^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ (w_t^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ (\xi_t^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ (S_t^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} & \text{is bounded in } L^\infty(0, T; V). \end{array}$$

Consequently, we conclude that

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{array}{ll} w^n \rightharpoonup^* u & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ \xi^n \rightharpoonup^* u & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ S^n \rightharpoonup^* v & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ w_t^n \rightharpoonup^* u_t & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ \xi_t^n \rightharpoonup^* v_t & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V), \\ S_t^n \rightharpoonup^* u_t & \text{in } L^\infty(0, T; V). \end{array}$$

From (3.7), we have $(w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\xi^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(S^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are bounded in $L^\infty(0, T)$. Then $(w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\xi^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(S^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are bounded in $L^2(0, T; V)$. Consequently, $(w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(S^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are bounded in $H^1(0, T; V)$. Since the embedding

$$H^1(0, T; H^1(0, 1)) \hookrightarrow L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1)),$$

is compact, using Aubin Lion's theorem [7], we can extract subsequences $(w^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $(w^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\xi^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $(\xi^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(S^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $(S^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that

$$w^k \rightarrow w \quad \text{strongly in } L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1)),$$

$$\xi^k \rightarrow \xi \quad \text{strongly in } L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1)),$$

and

$$S^k \rightarrow S \quad \text{strongly in } L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1)).$$

Therefore,

$$w^k \rightarrow w \quad \text{strongly and a.e. } (0, T) \times (0, 1),$$

$$\xi^k \rightarrow \xi \quad \text{strongly and a.e. } (0, T) \times (0, 1),$$

and

$$S^k \rightarrow S \quad \text{strongly and a.e. } (0, T) \times (0, 1),$$

The proof now can be completed arguing as in Theorem 3.1 of [7].

□

4 Exponential stability

In this section we study the asymptotic behavior of the system (1.2). For the proof of Theorem 2.3 we need a several Lemmas.

Lemma 4.1. *Let (w, ξ, S) be the solution of (1.2), then we have the inequality*

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{E}(t)}{dt} &\leq -3\mu \int_0^1 |S_t(x, t)|^2 dx - \frac{1}{2} \varpi_1(t) \int_\Omega |\xi_x(x, t)|^2 dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega (\varpi'_1 \circ \xi_x) dx - \frac{3}{2} \varpi_2(t) \int_\Omega |S_x(x, t)|^2 dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_\Omega (\varpi'_2 \circ S_x) dx \\ &\leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Multiplying the first, the second and the third equation of (1.2) by w_t , ξ_t and $3S_t$ respectively, then summing and integrating it over $(0, t)$, we obtain

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 (\rho w_t^2(x, t) + I_\rho \xi_t^2(x, t) + dx + 3I_\rho S_t^2(x, t) \\ &\quad + G|3S - \xi - w_x|^2 + D\xi_x^2 + 3DS_x^2) dx \\ &= -3\mu \int_0^1 |S_t|^2 dx + \int_0^1 \int_0^t \varpi_1(r) \xi_x(r) \xi_x(t) dr dx \\ &\quad + 3 \int_0^1 \int_0^t \varpi_2(r) S_x(r) S_x(t) dr dx. \end{aligned}$$

Owing to Lemma 2.1, the last term in the RHS of (4.2) can be rewritten as

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_0^t \varpi_1(r) \int_0^1 \xi_x(r) \xi_x(t) dr dx + \frac{1}{2} \varpi_1(t) \int_0^1 |\xi_x|^2(x, t) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(r) dr \int_0^1 |\xi_x|^2(x, t) dx - \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x)(t) dx \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi'_1 \circ \xi_x)(t) dx, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_0^t \varpi_2(r) \int_0^1 S_x(r) \xi_x(t) dr dx + \frac{1}{2} \varpi_2(t) \int_0^1 |S_x|^2(x, t) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2(r) dr \int_0^1 |S_x|^2(x, t) dx - \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x)(t) dx \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi'_2 \circ S_x)(t) dx. \end{aligned}$$

So, from (2.2), $\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt}$ becomes

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} &= -3\mu \int_0^1 |S_t|^2 dx - \frac{1}{2} \varpi_1(t) \int_0^1 |\xi_x|^2(x, t) dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi'_1 \circ \xi_x)(t) dx - \frac{3}{2} \varpi_2(t) \int_0^1 |S_x|^2(x, t) dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 (\varpi'_2 \circ S_x)(t) dx. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Now, we define a functional F_1 as follows

$$(4.6) \quad F_1(t) = - \int_0^1 (\rho w w_t + I_\rho \xi \xi_t + 3I_\rho S S_t + \frac{3}{2} \mu S^2) dx.$$

Then, we have the following estimate

Lemma 4.2.

$$(4.7) \quad \begin{aligned} F_1'(t) &\leq - \int_0^1 (\rho w_t^2 + I_\rho \xi_t^2 + 3I_\rho S_t^2) dx + G \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx \\ &\quad + c \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx + c \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Taking the derivative of $F_1(t)$ with respect to t and using (1.2), we find that

$$(4.8) \quad \begin{aligned} F_1'(t) &= - \int_0^1 (\rho w_t^2 + I_\rho \xi_t^2 + 3I_\rho S_t^2) dx + G \int_0^1 w(3S - \xi - w_x)_x dx \\ &\quad - \int_0^1 \xi \left(G(3S - \xi - w_x) + D\xi_{xx} - \int_0^t \varpi_1(r) \xi_{xx}(t-r) dr \right) dx \\ &\quad - \int_0^1 3S \left(DS_{xx} - G(3S - \xi - w_x) - \mu S_t - \int_0^t \varpi_2(r) S_{xx}(t-r) dr \right) dx \\ &\quad - 3\mu \int_0^1 S_t S dx \\ &= - \int_0^1 (\rho w_t^2 + I_\rho \xi_t^2 + 3I_\rho S_t^2) dx + G \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx \\ &\quad + D \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx + 3D \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx \\ &\quad - \int_0^1 \xi_x(x, t) \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(r) \xi_x(t-r) dr \right) dx \\ &\quad - 3 \int_0^1 S_x(x, t) \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2(r) S_x(t-r) dr \right) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that

$$(4.9) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 \int_0^t \varpi_1(r) |\xi_x(s) - \xi_x(t)| \xi_x(x, t) dr dx \\ &\leq \delta \int_0^1 |\xi_x|^2(x, t) dx + \frac{1}{4\delta} \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(r) |\xi_x(s) - \xi_x(t)| dr \right)^2 dx \\ &\leq \delta \int_0^1 |\xi_x|^2(x, t) dx + \frac{D - \beta_1(t)}{4\delta} \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x)(t) dx. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(4.10) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 \int_0^t \varpi_2(r) |S_x(s) - S_x(t)| S_x(x, t) dr dx \\ &\leq \delta \int_0^1 |S_x|^2(x, t) dx + \frac{D - \beta_2(t)}{4\delta} \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x)(t) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Inserting the estimate (4.9), (4.10) into (4.8) and using Young's, Poincaré's inequalities lead to the desired estimate.

This completes the proof. \square

Lemma 4.3. *Let (w, ξ, S) be the solution of (1.2). Assume that*

$$(4.11) \quad \frac{\rho}{G} = \frac{I_\rho}{D}.$$

Then the functional F_2 defined by

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{aligned} F_2(t) &= -I_\rho \int_0^1 (w_t \xi_x + 3w_t S_x) dx + I_\rho \int_0^1 \xi_t (3S - \xi - w_x) dx \\ &+ 3I_\rho \int_0^1 S_t (3S - \xi - w_x) dx + \frac{\rho}{G} \int_0^1 w_t \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr dx \\ &+ \frac{3\rho}{G} \int_0^1 w_t \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr dx, \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the following estimate

$$(4.13) \quad \begin{aligned} F_2'(t) &\leq - \left[(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\ &- 3 \left[(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\ &+ c \int_0^1 w_t^2 dx - I_\rho \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + c \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx + c \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx + c \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx \\ &- (2G - \frac{3}{2}\mu) \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Taking the derivative of $F_2(t)$ with respect to t , using (1.2) and some integrations by parts, we obtain

$$(4.14) \quad \begin{aligned} F_2'(t) &= - \left[(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\ &- 3 \left[(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\ &- 2G \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx - I_\rho \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + 9I_\rho \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\ &- 3\mu \int_0^1 (3S - \xi - w_x) S_t dx + \frac{\rho}{G} \varpi_1(t) \int_0^1 w_t \xi_x dx \\ &+ \frac{\rho}{G} \int_0^1 w_t \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1'(t-r) \xi_x(t-r) dr \right) dx + \frac{3\rho}{G} \varpi_1(t) \int_0^1 w_t S_x dx \\ &+ \frac{3\rho}{G} \int_0^1 w_t \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2'(t-r) S_x(t-r) dr \right) dx. \end{aligned}$$

By (4.9), (4.10) and using Young, Poincaré's inequalities lead to the desired estimate. This completes the proof. \square

Lemma 4.4. *Let $m \in C^1([0, 1])$ be a function satisfying $m(0) = -m(1) = 2$. Then there exists $c > 0$ such that, for any $0 < \varepsilon < 1$, the functional F_3 defined by*

$$(4.15) \quad \begin{aligned} F_3(t) &= \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 I_\rho m(x) \xi_t \left(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr \right) dx + \frac{4\varepsilon}{G} \int_0^1 \rho m(x) w_t w_x dx \\ &+ \frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 I_\rho m(x) S_t \left(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr \right) dx, \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the following estimate

$$(4.16) \quad \begin{aligned} F_3'(t) &\leq -\frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \left[\left(D\xi_x(1, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(1, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(D\xi_x(0, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(0, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad -\frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \left[\left(DS_x(1, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(1, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(DS_x(0, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(0, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad -4\varepsilon (w_x^2(1, t) + w_x^2(0, t)) \\ &\quad + \frac{2\rho\varepsilon c}{G} \int_0^1 w_t^2 dx + c \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + c \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\ &\quad + c \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx + c \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx + Gc \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx \\ &\quad + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx \\ &\quad + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Taking the derivative of $F_3(t)$ with respect to t , using (1.2) and some integra-

tions by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
F'_3(t) &= \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \left[\frac{1}{2} m(x) \left(D\xi_x(x, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(x, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) \left(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr \right)^2 dx \\
&\quad + \frac{G}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 m(x) (3S - \xi - w_x) \left(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r) \xi_x(r) dr \right) dx \\
&\quad - \frac{I_\rho D}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) \xi_t^2 dx \\
&\quad - \frac{I_\rho}{4\varepsilon} \varpi_1(t) \int_0^1 \xi_t \xi_x dx - \frac{I_\rho}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 m(x) \xi_t \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1'(t-r) \xi_x(t-r) dr \right) dx \\
&\quad + \frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \left[\frac{1}{2} m(x) \left(DS_x(x, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(x, t-r) dr \right)^2 \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
(4.17) \quad &\quad - \frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) \left(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr \right)^2 dx \\
&\quad - \frac{3G}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 m(x) (3S - \xi - w_x) \left(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr \right) dx \\
&\quad - \frac{3\mu}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 m(x) S_t \left(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r) S_x(r) dr \right) dx \\
&\quad - \frac{3I_\rho D}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) S_t^2 dx - \frac{3I_\rho}{4\varepsilon} \varpi_2(t) \int_0^1 S_t S_x dx \\
&\quad - \frac{3I_\rho}{4\varepsilon} \int_0^1 m(x) S_t \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2'(t-r) S_x(t-r) dr \right) dx \\
&\quad - \frac{2\varepsilon \rho D}{G} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) w_t^2 dx - 12\varepsilon \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m(x) w_x S_x dx \\
&\quad + 4\varepsilon \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m(x) w_x \xi_x dx - 4\varepsilon \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} m'(x) w_x^2 dx + 4\varepsilon \left[- (w_x^2(1, x) + w_x^2(0, x)) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Then by Young's, Poincaré's inequalities and using (4.9), (4.10) and the fact that

$$w_x^2 \leq 2(3S - \xi - w_x)^2 + 36cS_x + c\xi_x,$$

leads to the desired estimate. \square

Lemma 4.5. *Assume that (A1) hold. Then, the functional $F(t)$ defined by*

$$F(t) = F_1(t) + F_2(t) + F_3(t),$$

satisfies, along the solution, the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.18) \quad F'(t) &\leq -(\rho - 2c) \int_0^1 w_t^2 dx - (2I_\rho - c) \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx \\
&\quad + c - (3I_\rho - 2c) \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\
&\quad - \left\{ G(1 - c) - \frac{3}{2}\mu \right\} \int_0^1 |3S - \xi - w_x|^2 dx + c \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx \\
&\quad + c \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx \\
&\quad + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x) dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Using (4.7), (4.13), (4.16) and the fact that

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.19) \quad &\left[(D\xi_x - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)\xi_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
&- 3 \left[(DS_x - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r)S_x(r) dr) w_x \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \left[(D\xi_x(1, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)\xi_x(1, r) dr)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \left[(D\xi_x(0, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)\xi_x(0, r) dr)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \left[(DS_x(0, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r)S_x(0, r) dr)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{3}{4\varepsilon} \left[(DS_x(1, t) - \int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r)S_x(1, r) dr)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + 4\varepsilon \left[w_x^2(1) + w_x^2(0) \right],
\end{aligned}$$

for any $0 < \varepsilon < 1$, we obtain (4.18).

This completes the proof. \square

Next, we introduce the following functional

$$(4.20) \quad D(t) = \int_0^1 (I_\rho \xi \xi_t \psi + \rho w_t \sigma + I_\rho S S_t - \rho w_t \theta + \frac{\mu}{2} S^2) dx,$$

where σ, θ are the solutions of

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.21) \quad &-\sigma_{xx} = \xi_x, \quad \sigma(0) = \sigma(1) = 0, \\
&-\theta_{xx} = S_x, \quad \theta(0) = \theta(1) = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have the following estimate

Lemma 4.6.

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.22) \quad D(t) &\leq c(\delta) \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + \rho \delta \int_0^1 w_t^2 dx + c(\delta) \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\
&- \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_1(r) dr - \delta \right) \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx \\
&- \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_2(r) dr - \delta \right) \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx \\
&+ c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Using Equation (1.2), we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.23) \quad D'(t) &= I_\rho \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + \rho \int_0^1 w_t^2 \sigma_t dx - \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_1(r) dr \right) \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx - G \int_0^1 \xi^2 dx \\
&- G \int_0^1 \xi w_x dx + 3G \int_0^1 \xi S dx - 3G \int_0^1 \sigma S_x dx - G \int_0^1 \xi_x \sigma dx + G \int_0^1 \sigma w_{xx} dx \\
&- G \int_0^1 \sigma_t w_t dx + \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)(\xi_x(s) - \xi_x(t)) ds \right) \xi_x dx + I_\rho \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\
&- \rho \int_0^1 w_t^2 \theta_t dx - \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_2(r) dr \right) \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx - 3G \int_0^1 S^2 dx + G \int_0^1 S \xi dx \\
&+ G \int_0^1 S w_x dx + 3G \int_0^1 \theta S_x dx - G \int_0^1 \theta \xi_x dx - G \int_0^1 \theta w_{xx} dx \\
&+ \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r)(S_x(s) - S_x(t)) ds \right) S_x dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts and (4.21), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.24) \quad D'(t) &= I_\rho \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx + \rho \int_0^1 w_t^2 \sigma_t dx - \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_1(r) dr \right) \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx \\
&+ \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)(\xi_x(s) - \xi_x(t)) ds \right) \xi_x dx + I_\rho \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx - \rho \int_0^1 w_t^2 \theta_t dx \\
&- \left(D - \int_0^\infty \varpi_2(r) dr \right) \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx + \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_2(t-r)(S_x(s) - S_x(t)) ds \right) S_x dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Observing that, for $\delta > 0$

$$(4.25) \quad \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \varpi_1(t-r)(\xi_x(s) - \xi_x(t)) ds \right) \xi_x dx \leq c(\delta) \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + \delta \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx,$$

and

$$(4.26) \quad \int_0^1 \sigma_t^2 dx \leq \int_0^1 \sigma_{tx}^2 dx \leq \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx.$$

Young's inequality and (4.25), (4.26) yield then the desired result. \square

Proof. (Of Theorem 2.3) We define the Lyapunov functional

$$(4.27) \quad \mathcal{L}(t) = N_1 \mathcal{E}(t) + N_2 F(t) + D(t),$$

where N_1 and N_2 are positive constants that will be fixed later.

Taking the derivative of (4.27) with respect to t and making use of (4.1), (4.18) and (4.23), we obtain

$$(4.28) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{L}(t) \leq & -\{N_2(\rho - 2c) - \rho\delta\} \int_0^1 w_t^2 dx - \{N_2(2I_\rho - c) - c(\delta)\} \int_0^1 \xi_t^2 dx \\ & -\{3N_1\mu + N_2(3I_\rho - 2c) - c(\delta)\} \int_0^1 S_t^2 dx \\ & -\{\frac{1}{2}\varpi_1(t)N_1 + (\beta_1^0 - \delta) - cN_2\} \int_0^1 \xi_x^2 dx \\ & -\{\frac{3}{2}\varpi_2(t)N_1 + (\beta_2^0 - \delta) - cN_2\} \int_0^1 S_x^2 dx \\ & -N_2\{G(1 - c) - \frac{3}{2}\mu\} \int_0^1 |3s - \xi - w_x|^2 dx \\ & +c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_1' \circ \xi_x) dx + c \int_0^1 (\varpi_2' \circ S_x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

At this point, we choose our constants in (4.28), carefully, such that all the coefficients in (4.28) will be negative. We first choose N_2 satisfying

$$N_2(\rho - 2c) - \rho\delta > 0,$$

and

$$N_2(2I_\rho - c) - c(\delta) > 0.$$

Then, we pick the constant N_1 sufficiently large such that

$$3N_1\mu + N_2(3I_\rho - 2c) - c(\delta) > 0,$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}\varpi_1(t)N_1 + (\beta_1^0 - \delta) - cN_2 > 0,$$

and

$$\frac{3}{2}\varpi_2(t)N_1 + (\beta_2^0 - \delta) - cN_2 > 0.$$

Consequently, from the above, we deduce that there exist positive constants η_1 , η_2 and η_3 such that (4.28) becomes

$$(4.29) \quad \frac{d\mathcal{L}(t)}{dt} \leq -\eta_1 \mathcal{E}(t) + \eta_2 \int_\Omega (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + \eta_3 \int_\Omega (\varpi_2 \circ \nabla v) dx.$$

Therefore, if $\chi(t) = \min\{\chi_1(t), \chi_2(t)\}$, $\forall t \geq 0$, then using (A2) and (4.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.30) \quad \xi(t)\mathcal{L}'(t) &\leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) + \eta_2\chi(t) \int_{\Omega} (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + \eta_3\xi(t) \int_{\Omega} (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx \\
&\leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) + \eta_2\chi_1(t) \int_{\Omega} (\varpi_1 \circ \xi_x) dx + \eta_3\chi_2(t) \int_{\Omega} (\varpi_2 \circ S_x) dx \\
&\leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) + \eta_2 \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t \chi_1(t-r) \varpi_1(t-r) |\xi_x(t) - \xi_x(r)|^2 dr dx \\
&\quad + \eta_3 \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t \chi_2(t-r) \varpi_2(t-r) |S_x(t) - S_x(r)|^2 dr dx \\
&\leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) - \eta_2 \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t \varpi_1'(t-r) |\xi_x(t) - \xi_x(r)|^2 dr dx \\
&\quad - \eta_3 \int_{\Omega} \int_0^t \varpi_2'(t-r) |S_x(t) - S_x(s)|^2 dr dx \\
&\leq -\eta_1\xi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) - c\mathcal{E}'(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Which gives

$$(\chi(t)\mathcal{L}(t) + c\mathcal{E}(t))' - \chi'(t)\mathcal{L}(t) \leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t).$$

Using the fact that $\chi'(t) \leq 0$, $\forall t \geq 0$ and letting

$$(4.31) \quad J(t) = \chi(t)\mathcal{L}(t) + c\mathcal{E}(t) \sim \mathcal{E}(t),$$

we obtain

$$(4.32) \quad J'(t) \leq -\eta_1\chi(t)\mathcal{E}(t) \leq -\eta_3\chi(t)J(t).$$

A simple integration of (4.32) over $(0, t)$ leads to

$$(4.33) \quad J(t) \leq J(0)e^{-\eta_3 \int_0^t \chi(r) dr} \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

A combination of (4.31) and (4.33) leads to (2.3).

This completes the proof. \square

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