

**149. On the Apriori Estimate for the Solution of Some
Semi-Linear Wave Equation for Higher
Space Dimension**

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We have considered [1] already the equation of the following type;

$$(1) \quad \Delta u = u_{tt} + g(u)$$

and obtained an apriori estimate for the solution of the Cauchy problem for 3 space dimension under the condition:

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{i) } & G(u) = \int_0^u g(u) du \geq -L \\ \text{ii) } & |g'(u)| \leq c|u|^2 \quad (|u| \geq k) \quad c \text{ is a constant.} \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we shall obtain the analogous results for the space dimension n higher than 3 assuming that the solution belongs to the space $D_{L^2}^{[\frac{n}{2}]+2}$. Our conditions for these cases are the following;

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{i) } & G(u) = \int_0^u g(u) du \geq -L \quad (L > 0) \\ \text{ii) } & |g'(u)| \leq c|u|^{\frac{2}{n-2}} \quad 2 < n \leq 6 \quad (|u| \geq k) \\ \text{iii) } & |g''(u)| \leq M, \quad |g'''(u)| \leq M_1. \end{aligned}$$

At first we introduce new unknown functions and we obtain a system of equations (4).

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= v & \left(p_i &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \right) \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_{ix_i} - g(u) \\ \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, n). \end{aligned}$$

Our initial conditions for the Cauchy problem for u, v, p_i are $u(x, 0), v(x, 0), p_i(x, 0) \in C_{0x}^{[\frac{n}{2}]+2}, C_{0x}^{[\frac{n}{2}]+1}, C_{0x}^{[\frac{n}{2}]+1}$ respectively and we suppose $g(u) \in C_u^3$; here we denote C_0^n the function space of the functions with continuous derivatives of n th order and with compact supports.

If we introduce an energy $E_0(t)$ of the solution u by the following integral form, we can easily prove its conservation, that is to say

$$(5) \quad E_0(t) = \int \left[G(u) + \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2 \right] dx$$

dx means n dimensional space element.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE_0}{dt} &= \int \left[g(u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial t} \right] dx \\ &= + \int \left[g(u)v + \sum_{i=1}^n p_{ix_i} v + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} - g(u)v \right] dx \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

then, we have

(6) $E_0(t) = \text{const.}$ (the conservation of energy).

Next step is the estimation of energy of first order defined by

(7)
$$E_1(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int \left[\sum_{j=1}^n v_j^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n p_{ij}^2 \right] dx,$$

where v_j means $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x_j}$ and p_{ij} means $\frac{\partial p_i}{\partial x_j}$ (that is $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$).

In order to obtain the estimation of this energy, differentiating the system (4) we have

(8)
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} = v_j \\ \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t} = \sum_{s=1}^n p_{ssj} - g'(u)p_j & \left(p_{ssj} = \frac{\partial p_{ss}}{\partial x_j} \right) \\ \frac{\partial p_{ij}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} & \left(\begin{matrix} i=1, \dots, n \\ j=1, \dots, n \end{matrix} \right) \end{cases}$$

and we obtain,

$$\int_m |g'(u)p_j v_j| dx \leq C \left[\int |u|^{\frac{2n}{n-2}} \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} \left[\int |p_j|^{\frac{2n}{n-2}} \right]^{\frac{n-2}{2n}} \left[\int |v_j|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(m is the set of x for which $|u(x, t)| \geq k$).

Applying the Sobolev's lemma for u and p_j , we obtain

$$\int_m |g'(u)p_j v_j| dx \leq C E_0^{1/(n-2)} E_1^{1/2} E_1^{1/2} \leq C E_0^{1/(n-2)} E_1$$

and obviously,

$$\int_{cm} |g'(u)p_j v_j| dx \leq \frac{g_k}{2} E_0 + \frac{g_k}{2} E_1 \quad g_k = \text{Max}_{|x| \leq k} |g'(u)|.$$

We have

$$\frac{dE_1}{dt} \leq \left(C E_0^{1/(n-1)} + \frac{g_k}{2} \right) E_1 + \frac{g_k}{2} E_0$$

where C, E_0, g_k are constants,

(9)
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE_1}{dt} &\leq C_1 E_1 + \frac{g_k}{2} E_0 \\ E_1(t) &\leq e^{c_1 t} E_1(0) + \frac{E_0}{2} g_k \left[\frac{e^{c_1 t}}{C_1} - \frac{1}{C_1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Third step is to obtain the estimation of the energy of 2nd order;

(10)
$$E_2(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int \sum_{jk} [v_{jk}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n p_{ijk}^2] dx.$$

We differentiate the system (8) except the first equation.

$$(11) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial v_{kj}}{\partial t} = \sum_{s=1}^n p_{ssjk} - g'(u)u_{jk} - g''(u)u_k u_j \\ \frac{\partial p_{ijk}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial v_{jk}}{\partial x_i} \quad (i, j, k=1, 2, \dots, n) \end{cases}$$

and we have

$$\frac{dE_2}{dt} = - \sum_{j,k}^{n,n} \int g'(u)u_{jk}v_{kj}dx - \sum_{j,k}^{n,n} \int g''(u)u_k u_j v_{kj}dx.$$

i) At first, we estimate the first term ($u_{jk} = p_{jk}$).

$$\begin{aligned} & \int |g'(u)p_{jk}v_{jk}|dx \\ & \leq \left[c \int |u|^{\frac{2n}{n-2}} dx \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} \left[\int |p_{jk}|^{\frac{2n}{n-2}} dx \right]^{\frac{n-2}{2n}} \left[\int v_{kj}^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \leq cE_0^{1/(n-2)} E_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

ii) $\int |g''(u)u_k u_j v_{kj}|dx = \int |g''(u)p_k p_j v_{kj}|dx$

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq M \left[\int p_k^{\frac{n}{2}} dx \right]^{\frac{2}{n}} \left[\int p_j^{\frac{2n}{n-4}} dx \right]^{\frac{n-4}{2n}} \left[\int v_{jk}^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \leq ME_1^{1/2} E_2(t) \quad \text{for } \left[\frac{n}{2} \leq \frac{2n}{n-2} \text{ that is } n \leq 6 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dE_2(t)}{dt} \leq ME_1(t)^{1/2} E_2(t) + E_0^{1/(n-2)} E_2(t)$$

$$ME_1(t)^{1/2} + E_0^{1/(n-2)} = F(t) \quad (\text{bounded function})$$

$$(12) \quad E_2(t) \leq E_2(0) e_0^{\int_0^t F(\tau) d\tau}.$$

Fourth step is the estimation of the energy of 3rd order;

$$(13) \quad E_3(t) = \sum_{j,k,e}^{n,n,n} \frac{1}{2} \int \left[v_{kje}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n p_{ijk}^2 \right] dx$$

Differentiating the system (11),

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v_{kje}}{\partial t} &= \sum_{s=1}^n p_{ssjke} - g'(u)p_{jke} - g''(u)p_e p_{jk} \\ &\quad - g''(u)p_{ke} p_j - g''(u)p_k p_{je} - g'''(u)p_e p_k p_j \\ \frac{\partial p_{ijk}}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial v_{jke}}{\partial x_i} \quad (i, j, k, e=1, 2, \dots, n) \\ \frac{dE_3(t)}{dt} &= \sum_{i,k,e=1}^n \left[- \int g'(u)p_{jke}v_{kje} dx - l \int g''(u)p_{ke}p_j v_{jke} dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int g'''(u)p_e p_k p_j v_{jke} dx \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The question is to evaluate the third integrals,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int |g'''(u)p_e p_k p_j v_{jke}|dx \\ & \leq M_1 \int |p_e p_k p_j v_{jke}|dx \\ & \leq M_1 \left[\int p_e^2 p_k^2 p_j^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\int v_{jke}^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq M_1 \left[\int p_e^{\frac{2n}{n-4}} dx \right]^{\frac{n-4}{2n}} \left[\int p_k^{\frac{2n}{n-4}} dx \right]^{\frac{n-4}{2n}} \left[\int p_j^{\frac{2n}{8-n}} dx \right]^{\frac{8-n}{2n}} \left[\int v_{jke}^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq M_1 E_2 E_3^{1/2} E_3^{1/2} \leq M_1 E_2(t) E_3(t) \quad (4 < n \leq 6). \end{aligned}$$

Then we conclude

$$\frac{dE_3}{dt} \leq F_1(t) E_3(t) \quad (F_1(t) \text{ is one bounded function})$$

$$(15) \quad E_3(t) \leq C_3 E_3(0).$$

Finally, we obtain the apriori bound for $u(x, t)$ by the Sobolev's lemma.

For $n \leq 5$, $\|u(x, t)\|_2^{(8)}$ is bounded means that $u(x, t)$ is bounded.
 $n = 6$, $\|u(x, t)\|_2^{(4)}$ is bounded means that $u(x, t)$ is bounded.

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