

# Global existence and blow-up for the Euler-Poincaré equations with a class of initial data

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**Abstract:** In this paper we investigate the Cauchy problem of d-dimensional Euler-Poincaré equations. By choosing a class of new and special initial data, we can transform this d-dimensional Euler-Poincaré equations into the Camassa-Holm type equation in the real line. We first obtain some global existence results and then present a new blow-up result to the system under some different assumptions on this special class of initial data.

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## 1 Introduction

In this paper, we consider the Cauchy problem of the following higher dimensional Euler-Poincaré equations

$$\partial_t m + u \cdot \nabla m + (\nabla u)^\top \cdot m + (\operatorname{div} u)m = 0, \quad m = (1 - \Delta)u, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .  $u(t, x) = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_d)(t, x)$  denotes the velocity of the fluid and  $m(t, x) = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_d)(t, x)$  represents the momentum. The notation  $(\nabla u)^\top$  denotes the transpose of the matrix  $\nabla u$ . It is useful to recast equation (1.1) in the component-wise form as

$$\partial_t m_i + \sum_{j=1}^d u_j \partial_{x_j} m_i + \sum_{j=1}^d (\partial_{x_i} u_j) m_j + m_i \sum_{j=1}^d \partial_{x_j} u_j = 0.$$

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While the Euler-Poincaré equations (1.1) is also called the higher dimensional Camassa-Holm equations. In one dimension, the system (1.1) is the classical Camassa-Holm (CH) equation

$$\partial_t m + u \partial_x m + 2m \partial_x u = 0, \quad m = (1 - \partial_{xx})u.$$

Like the KdV equation, the CH equation describes the unidirectional propagation of waves at the free surface of shallow water under the influence of gravity [4, 5, 16]. It is completely integrable [4, 8], has a bi-Hamiltonian structure [7, 21], and admits exact peaked solitons of the form  $ce^{-|x-ct|}$  ( $c > 0$ ), which are orbitally stable [18]. It is worth mentioning that the peaked solitons present the characteristic for the travelling water waves of greatest height and largest amplitude and arise as solutions to the free-boundary problem for incompressible Euler equations over a flat bed, cf. [10, 14, 15, 34]. The local well-posedness and ill-posedness for the Cauchy problem of the CH equation in Sobolev spaces and Besov spaces was discussed in [11, 12, 19, 20, 22, 28, 33]. It was shown that there exist global strong solutions to the CH equation [9, 11, 12] and finite time blow-up strong solutions to the CH equation [9, 11–13]. The global conservative and dissipative solutions of CH equation were discussed in [2, 3].

The Euler-Poincaré equations arise in diverse scientific applications and enjoy several remarkable properties both in the one-dimensional and multi-dimensional cases. The Euler-Poincaré equations were first studied by Holm, Marsden, and Ratiu in 1998 as a framework for modeling and analyzing fluid dynamics [24, 25], particularly for nonlinear shallow water waves, geophysical fluids and turbulence modeling. Later, the Euler-Poincaré equations have many further interpretations beyond fluid applications. For instance, in 2-D, it is exactly the same as the averaged template matching equation for computer vision [23]. Also, the Euler-Poincaré equations have important applications in computational anatomy, it can be regarded as an evolutionary equation for a geodesic motion on a diffeomorphism group and it is associated with Euler-Poincaré reduction via symmetry (see, e.g., [26, 35]).

The rigorous analysis of the Euler-Poincaré equations with  $d \geq 1$  was initiated by Chae and Liu [6] who obtained the local well-posedness in Hilbert spaces  $m_0 \in H^{s+\frac{d}{2}}$ ,  $s \geq 2$  and also gave a blow-up criterion, zero  $\alpha$  limit and the Liouville type theorem. Li, Yu and Zhai [27] proved that the solution to higher dimensional Camassa-Holm equations with a large class of smooth initial data blows up in finite time or exists globally in time, which reveals the nonlinear depletion mechanism hidden in the Euler-Poincaré system. Luo and Yin [32] obtained a new blow-up result to the periodic Euler-Poincaré system for a special class of smooth initial data by using the rotational invariant properties of the system. By means of the Littlewood-Paley theory, Yan and Yin [36] established the local existence and uniqueness in Besov spaces  $B_{p,r}^s$  with  $s > \max\{\frac{3}{2}, 1 + \frac{d}{p}\}$  and  $s = 1 + \frac{d}{p}$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq 2d$ ,  $r = 1$ . For more results of the Euler-Poincaré equations, we refer the reads to see [29–31, 37]. In this paper, we consider the Euler-Poincaré equations in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with a class of special initial data be of the form  $f(x_1 + x_2 + \cdots x_d)$  and study the global existence and blow-up property of the corresponding solution under certain assumptions on this initial data.

## 1.1 Reduction of System

Let us assume that

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t n + dv \partial_x n + 2dv_x n = 0, & (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}, \\ n = (1 - d\partial_x^2)v, \\ n(0, x) = n_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

Then we can find that

$$m(t, x) = n(t, x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_d) \vec{e} \quad \text{with} \quad \vec{e} := (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_d),$$

$$u(t, x) = v(t, x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_d) \vec{e},$$

satisfy the following higher dimensional Euler-Poincaré equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t m + u \cdot \nabla m + (\nabla u)^\top \cdot m + (\operatorname{div} u)m = 0, & (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ m = (1 - \Delta)u, \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^d. \end{cases} \quad (\text{EP})$$

Precisely speaking, the Cauchy Problem of higher dimensional Euler-Poincaré equations (EP) is transformed into that of the new Camassa-Holm type equation (1.2) in the real-line. Furthermore, we can rewrite the equation (1.2) as follows

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t v + dvv_x = -\partial_x(1 - d\partial_x^2)^{-1} \left( dv^2 + \frac{d^2}{2}(\partial_x v)^2 \right), & (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}, \\ v(0, x) = v_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad (\text{d-CH})$$

From now, we mainly focus on the equation (d-CH).

## 1.2 Main results

First, following the similar proofs for the Camassa-Holm equation in [19, 33], we can obtain the well-posedness result for (d-CH) as follows.

**Theorem 1.1** (Local well-posedness). *Let  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$ . Then there exists a time  $T^* > 0$  and a unique strong solution  $v(t, x) \in C([0, T^*]; H^s(\mathbb{R})) \cap C^1([0, T^*]; H^{s-1}(\mathbb{R}))$  of the Cauchy problem (d-CH).*

**Remark 1.1.** *Let  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > 2$ . Assume that  $u_0(x) = v_0(x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_d) \vec{e}$ , by the embedding  $H^s(\mathbb{R}) \hookrightarrow C^{s-\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R})$ , where we take  $\varepsilon = 0$  if  $s - \frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $\varepsilon = 0^+$  if  $s - \frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then we have  $u_0(x) \in C^{s-\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Moreover, we can obtain the unique solution  $u(t, x) = v(t, x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_d) \vec{e} \in C([0, T^*]; C^{s-\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d))$  of the Cauchy problem (EP) with initial data  $u_0(x)$ . Based on the above observation, we can transform the global existence or blow-up property of solutions for the Cauchy problem (EP) into that for the Cauchy problem (d-CH).*

Finally, we state the following two global existence results and one blow-up result.

**Theorem 1.2** (Global existence). *Let  $n_0 = v_0 - d\partial_x^2 v_0$  with  $d \geq 1$ . Assume that  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  satisfying one of the following*

(1)  $n_0 \geq 0$  on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ ;

(2)  $n_0 \leq 0$  on  $(-\infty, x_0]$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$  on  $[x_0, +\infty)$  for some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Then the corresponding solution of the Cauchy problem (d-CH) exists globally in time.*

**Corollary 1.1.** *Let  $d \geq 1$ . Assume that  $u_0(x_0) = v_0(x_1^0 + x_2^0 + \cdots + x_d^0)\vec{e}$  with  $v_0$  satisfying the assumption of Theorems 1.2. Then the corresponding solution of the Euler-Poincaré equations (EP) exists globally in time.*

**Theorem 1.3** (Formation of singularities). *Let  $d \geq 1$ . Assume that  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  satisfying that for some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$*

$$v_0'(x_0) < -\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}|v_0(x_0)|. \quad (1.3)$$

*Then the corresponding solution of the Cauchy problem (d-CH) blows up in finite time.*

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $d \geq 1$ . Assume that  $u_0(x_0) = v_0(x_1^0 + x_2^0 + \cdots + x_d^0)\vec{e}$  with  $v_0$  satisfying the assumption of Theorems 1.3. Then the corresponding solution of the Euler-Poincaré equations (EP) blows up in finite time.*

When assuming that the initial condition is stronger than (1.3), we have

**Corollary 1.3.** *Let  $d \geq 1$ . Assume that  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  satisfying  $n_0 = v_0 - d\partial_x^2 v_0 \geq 0$  on  $(-\infty, x_0]$  and  $n_0 \leq 0$  on  $[x_0, +\infty)$  for some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $n_0$  changes sign. Then the corresponding solution of the Cauchy problem (d-CH) blows up in finite time.*

## 2 Preliminaries

Now let us consider the associated Lagrangian flow

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dq}{dt} = dv(t, q(t, x)), & (t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R}, \\ q(0, x) = x, & x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad (2.4)$$

Following the similar proofs for Camassa-Holm equation in [9], we can obtain the following results:

**Lemma 2.1.** *Assume that  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  and  $T$  is the existence time of the corresponding solution of (d-CH). Then one has, with  $n = (1 - d\partial_x^2)v$ ,*

$$n(t, q(t, x))q_x^2(t, x) = n_0(x), \quad (t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R},$$

*where  $q(t, x) \in C^1([0, T), \mathbb{R})$  is a unique solution of the Cauchy problem (2.4) and satisfies that*

$$q_x(t, x) = \exp\left(d \int_0^t v_x(\tau, q(\tau, x))d\tau\right) > 0, \quad t \in [0, T).$$

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  and  $T$  is the maximal existence time of the corresponding solution of (d-CH). Then the corresponding solution of (d-CH) blows up in finite time if and only if

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow T} \left( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} v_x(t, x) \right) = -\infty.$$

That is, singularities can arise only in the form of wave breaking.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $v_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$  and  $T$  is the maximal existence time of the corresponding solution of (d-CH). Then for any  $t \in [0, T)$ , we have

$$\|v(t)\|_{L^2}^2 + d\|\partial_x v(t)\|_{L^2}^2 = \|v_0\|_{L^2}^2 + d\|\partial_x v_0\|_{L^2}^2 \leq 2d\|v_0\|_{H^1}^2.$$

### 3 Proof of Theorems

In this section, inspired by [1, 9], we shall prove our main results. The proof of Theorem 1.1 is standard, we omit the details. Next, we begin to prove the remaining Theorems.

#### 3.1 Proof of Theorem 1.2

**Case 1:**  $n_0 \geq 0$  on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ .

By the assumption of  $n_0$  and Lemma 2.1, one has

$$n(t, x) \geq 0, \quad (t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Since  $(1 - d\partial_x^2)^{-1} f = p_d * f$  for any  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  with  $p_d(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|}{\sqrt{d}}\right)$ , one has

$$v(t, x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}} e^{-\frac{|x|}{\sqrt{d}}} * n(t, x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{|x-\xi|}{\sqrt{d}}} n(t, \xi) d\xi.$$

Thus due to Lemma 2.3, we have for  $(t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_x v(t, x)| &= \left| \frac{1}{2d} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sgn}(x - \xi) e^{-\frac{|x-\xi|}{\sqrt{d}}} n(t, \xi) d\xi \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2d} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{|x-\xi|}{\sqrt{d}}} n(t, \xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} v(t, x) \\ &\leq \sqrt{\frac{\|v(t, x)\|_{L^2}^2 + d\|\partial_x v(t, x)\|_{L^2}^2}{2d}} \leq \|v_0\|_{H^1}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of Lemma 2.2, this shows the existence time  $T = \infty$  and completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.

**Case 2:**  $n_0 \leq 0$  on  $(-\infty, x_0]$  and  $n_0 \geq 0$  on  $[x_0, +\infty)$  for some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $q(t, x)$  is an increasing diffeomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}$  for  $t \in [0, T)$ , we deduce from Lemma 2.1 that

$$\begin{cases} n(t, x) \leq 0, & \text{if } x \leq q(t, x_0), \\ n(t, x) \geq 0, & \text{if } x \geq q(t, x_0), \end{cases} \quad (3.5)$$

and  $n(t, q(t, x_0)) = 0$ . Then, we have for  $x \geq q(t, x_0)$

$$v_x(t, x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}v(t, x) + \frac{1}{d}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} n(t, \xi) d\xi \geq -\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}v(t, x), \quad (3.6)$$

while  $x \leq q(t, x_0)$

$$v_x(t, x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}v(t, x) - \frac{1}{d}e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} n(t, \xi) d\xi \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}v(t, x). \quad (3.7)$$

It thus follows from the relations (3.6)-(3.7) and Lemma 2.3 that

$$v_x(t, x) \geq -\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}|v(t, x)| \geq -\|v_0\|_{H^1}, \quad (t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R}.$$

In view of Lemma 2.2, this shows the existence time  $T = \infty$  and completes the proof of Theorem 1.3.

### 3.2 Proof of Theorem 1.3

We only need to show that blow-up results hold for initial data  $v_0 \in H^3(\mathbb{R})$ . Then the continuous dependence on initial data ensures the validity for all  $H^s(\mathbb{R})$  with  $s > \frac{3}{2}$ . Let  $v \in C([0, T), H^3(\mathbb{R})) \cap C^1([0, T), H^2(\mathbb{R}))$  be the solution of (d-CH). Since  $p_d(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|}{\sqrt{d}}\right)$ , one has

$$(1 - d\partial_x^2)^{-1} f = p_d * f, \quad f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}).$$

Differentiating Eq (d-CH)<sub>1</sub> with respect to  $x$  yields

$$\partial_t v_x + dvv_{xx} = -\frac{d}{2}v_x^2 + v^2 - p_d * \left(v^2 + \frac{d}{2}(\partial_x v)^2\right). \quad (3.8)$$

We introduce two new functions

$$w := \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}v \quad \text{and} \quad V := v_x.$$

Then we can obtain from (3.8) that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t V + dVv_x &= -\frac{d}{2}V^2 + dw^2 - dp_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right), \\ \partial_t w + dvw_x &= -d^{\frac{3}{2}}\partial_x p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right). \end{aligned}$$

From (2.4) and the above, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}V(t, q(t, x)) &= \left(-\frac{d}{2}V^2 + dw^2 - dp_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right)\right)(t, q(t, x)), \\ \frac{d}{dt}w(t, q(t, x)) &= -d^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\partial_x p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right)\right)(t, q(t, x)), \end{aligned}$$

which implies directly that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}(w+V)(t, q(t, x)) &= d\left(-\frac{1}{2}V^2 + w^2 - F(w, V)\right)(t, q(t, x)), \\ \frac{d}{dt}(w-V)(t, q(t, x)) &= -d\left(-\frac{1}{2}V^2 + w^2 - G(w, V)\right)(t, q(t, x)),\end{aligned}$$

where we set

$$\begin{aligned}F(w, V) &:= p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) + \sqrt{d}\partial_x p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right), \\ G(w, V) &:= p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) - \sqrt{d}\partial_x p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right).\end{aligned}$$

Now we claim that

$$F(w, V)(t, x) \geq \frac{1}{2}w^2(t, x) \quad \text{and} \quad G(w, V)(t, x) \geq \frac{1}{2}w^2(t, x), \quad (3.9)$$

which in turn gives that

$$p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) = \frac{1}{2}(F(w, V)(t, x) + G(w, V)) \geq \frac{1}{2}w^2(t, x). \quad (3.10)$$

In fact, one has

$$\begin{aligned}p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) d\xi \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) d\xi\end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{d}\partial_x p_d * \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) d\xi \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) d\xi.\end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

On the one hand, performing (3.11)-(3.12) yields that

$$F(w, V) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left(w^2 + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) d\xi.$$

It is not difficult to verify that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} (w^2 + V^2) d\xi &\geq -\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} (2wV) d\xi \\ &\geq w^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}e^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} w^2 d\xi,\end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$F(w, V) \geq \frac{1}{2}w^2. \quad (3.13)$$

On the other hand, performing (3.11)–(3.12) yields that

$$G(w, V) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left( w^2 + \frac{1}{2} V^2 \right) d\xi.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} (w^2 + V^2) d\xi &\geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} (2wV) d\xi \\ &\geq w^2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} w^2 d\xi, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{-x}{\sqrt{d}}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{d}}} \left( w^2 + \frac{1}{2} V^2 \right) d\xi \geq \frac{1}{2} w^2. \quad (3.14)$$

Combing (3.13) and (3.14) yields (3.9).

Using (3.10), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} V(t, q(t, x)) \leq \left( -\frac{d}{2} V^2 + dw^2 - \frac{1}{2} dw^2 \right) (t, q(t, x)) \leq \frac{d}{2} (w^2 - V^2) (t, q(t, x)), \quad (3.15)$$

and using (3.9)

$$\frac{d}{dt} (w + V) (t, q(t, x)) \leq \frac{d}{2} (w^2 - V^2) (t, q(t, x)), \quad (3.16)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (w - V) (t, q(t, x)) \geq -\frac{d}{2} (w^2 - V^2) (t, q(t, x)). \quad (3.17)$$

Solving the above inequalities, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{\frac{d}{2} \int_0^t B(\tau, x) d\tau} A(t, x) \right) &\geq 0, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{-\frac{d}{2} \int_0^t A(\tau, x) d\tau} B(t, x) \right) &\leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where, for simplicity we set

$$A(t, x) = (w - V)(t, q(t, x)) \quad \text{and} \quad B(t, x) = (w + V)(t, q(t, x)).$$

Since  $B(0, x_0) < 0 < A(0, x_0)$ , then we have  $B(t, x_0) < 0 < A(t, x_0)$ . Moreover, we obtain from (3.16)–(3.17) that

$$\begin{aligned} A(t, x_0) &\geq e^{\frac{d}{2} \int_0^t B(\tau, x_0) d\tau} A(0, x_0) \geq A(0, x_0) > 0, \\ B(t, x_0) &\leq e^{-\frac{d}{2} \int_0^t A(\tau, x_0) d\tau} B(0, x_0) \leq B(0, x_0) < 0. \end{aligned}$$



For simplicity, we denote

$$g(t) := V(t, q(t, x_0)), \quad A(t) := A(t, x_0) \quad \text{and} \quad B(t) := B(t, x_0).$$

Then, from (3.15), we have

$$g'(t) \leq \frac{d}{2}A(t)B(t) \leq \frac{d}{2}A(0)B(0). \quad (3.18)$$

Now we assume that the solution  $v(t)$  of (1.2) exists globally in time  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , that is,  $T = \infty$ . We next show this leads to a contradiction.

Integrating (3.18) on  $[0, t]$  yields

$$g(t) \leq g(0) + \frac{d}{2}A(0)B(0)t. \quad (3.19)$$

Since  $A(0)B(0) < 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = -\infty.$$

But

$$\|v(t)\|_\infty \leq \|v_0\|_{H^1} < \infty, \quad t \in [0, \infty).$$

Hence there exists some  $t_0 > 0$  such that

$$g^2(t) \geq \frac{2}{d}\|v_0\|_{H^1}^2, \quad t \in [t_0, \infty).$$

Combining the latter inequality with (3.18), we have derived the inequality

$$g'(t) \leq \frac{d}{2}A(t)B(t) = -\frac{d}{2}g^2(t) + \frac{1}{2}v^2 \leq -\frac{d}{4}g^2(t), \quad t \in [t_0, \infty).$$

On the other hand, by the assumptions (1.3), we have

$$g(0) = v'_0(x_0) < 0.$$

It then follows from (3.19) that  $g(t) < 0$  for all  $t \geq 0$ . The differential inequality (3.18) can be therefore solved easily for the solution  $g(t)$ ,  $t \in [t_0, \infty)$ , that is

$$\frac{1}{g(t_0)} - \frac{1}{g(t)} + \frac{d}{4}(t - t_0) \leq 0, \quad t \in [t_0, \infty).$$

Since  $-\frac{1}{g(t)} > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{g(t_0)} + \frac{d}{4}(t - t_0) < \frac{1}{g(t_0)} - \frac{1}{g(t)} + \frac{d}{4}(t - t_0) < 0, \quad t \in [t_0, \infty),$$

which leads to a contradiction as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . This shows that  $T < \infty$  and the proof of Theorem 1.3 is complete.

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