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# Global behavior of 1D compressible isentropic Navier-Stokes equations with a non-autonomous external force

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## Abstract

In this paper, we study a free boundary problem for compressible Navier-Stokes equations with density-dependent viscosity and a non-autonomous external force. The viscosity coefficient  $\mu$  is proportional to  $\rho^\theta$  with  $0 < \theta < 1$ , where  $\rho$  is the density. Under certain assumptions imposed on the initial data and external force  $f$ , we obtain the global existence and regularity. Some ideas and more delicate estimates are introduced to prove these results.

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## 1 Introduction

We study a free boundary problem for compressible Navier-Stokes equations with density-dependent viscosity and a non-autonomous external force, which can be written in Eulerian coordinates as:

$$\rho_\tau + (\rho u)_\xi = 0, \quad \tau > 0 \quad (1.1)$$

$$(\rho u)_\tau + (\rho u^2 + P(\rho))_\xi = (\mu u_\xi)_\xi + \rho f, \quad a(\tau) < \xi < b(\tau) \quad (1.2)$$

with initial data

$$(\rho, u)(\xi, 0) = (\rho_0, u_0)(\xi), \quad a = a(0) \leq \xi \leq b(0) = b, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\rho = \rho(\xi, \tau)$ ,  $u = u(\xi, \tau)$ ,  $P = P(\rho)$  and  $f = f(\xi, \tau)$  denote the density, velocity, pressure and a given external force, respectively,  $\mu = \mu(\rho)$  is the viscosity coefficient.  $a(\tau)$  and  $b(\tau)$  are the free boundaries with the following property:

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} a(\tau) = u(a(\tau), \tau), \quad \frac{d}{d\tau} b(\tau) = u(b(\tau), \tau), \quad (1.4)$$

$$(-P(\rho) + \mu(\rho)u_\xi)(\xi, \tau) = 0, \quad \xi = a(\tau), b(\tau). \quad (1.5)$$

The investigation in [1] showed that the continuous dependence on the initial data of the solutions to the compressible Navier-Stokes equations with vacuum failed. The main reason for the failure at the vacuum is because of kinematic viscosity coefficient being independent of the density. On the other hand, we know that the Navier-Stokes equations can be derived from the Boltzmann equation through Chapman-Enskog

expansion to the second order, and the viscosity coefficient is a function of temperature. For the hard sphere model, it is proportional to the square-root of the temperature. If we consider the isentropic gas flow, this dependence is reduced to the dependence on the density function by using the second law of thermal dynamics.

For simplicity of presentation, we consider only the polytropic gas, i.e.  $P(\rho) = A\rho^\gamma$  with  $A > 0$  being constants. Our main assumption is that the viscosity coefficient  $\mu$  is assumed to be a functional of the density  $\rho$ , i.e.  $\mu = c\rho^\theta$ , where  $c$  and  $\theta$  are positive constants. Without loss of generality, we assume  $A = 1$  and  $c = 1$ .

Since the boundaries  $x = a(\tau)$  and  $x = b(\tau)$  are unknown in Euler coordinates, we will convert them to fixed boundaries by using Lagrangian coordinates. We introduce the following coordinate transformation

$$x = \int_{a(\tau)}^{\xi} \rho(y, \tau) dy, \quad t = \tau, \quad (1.6)$$

then the free boundaries  $\xi = a(\tau)$  and  $\xi = b(\tau)$  become

$$x = 0, \quad x = \int_{a(\tau)}^{b(\tau)} \rho(z, \tau) dz = \int_a^b \rho_0(z) dz \quad (1.7)$$

where  $\int_a^b \rho_0(z) dz$  is the total initial mass, and without loss of generality, we can normalize it to 1. So in terms of Lagrangian coordinates, the free boundaries become fixed. Under the coordinate transformation, Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) are now transformed into

$$\rho_t + \rho^2 u_x = 0, \quad t > 0, \quad (1.8)$$

$$u_t + P(\rho)_x = (\rho\mu(\rho)u_x)_x + f(r, t), \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad (1.9)$$

where  $r = \int_0^x \rho^{-1}(y, t) dy$ . The boundary conditions (1.4)-(1.5) become

$$(-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)(d, t) = 0, \quad d = 0, 1, \quad (1.10)$$

and the initial data (1.3) become

$$(\rho, u)(x, 0) = (\rho_0, u_0)(x), \quad x \in [0, 1]. \quad (1.11)$$

Now let us first recall some previous works in this direction. When the external force  $f \equiv 0$ , there have been many works (see, e.g., [2-9]) on the existence and uniqueness of global weak solutions, based on the assumption that the gas connects to vacuum with jump discontinuities, and the density of the gas has compact support. Among them, Liu et al. [4] established the local well-posedness of weak solutions to the Navier-Stokes equations; Okada et al. [5] obtained the global existence of weak solutions when  $0 < \theta < 1/3$  with the same property. This result was later generalized to the case when  $0 < \theta < 1/2$  and  $0 < \theta < 1$  by Yang et al. [7] and Jiang et al. [3], respectively. Later on, Qin et al. [8,9] proved the regularity of weak solutions and existence of classical solution. Fang and Zhang [2] proved the global existence of weak solutions

to the compressible Navier-Stokes equations when the initial density is a piece-wise smooth function, having only a finite number of jump discontinuities.

For the related degenerated density function and viscosity coefficient at free boundaries, see Yang and Zhao [10], Yang and Zhu [11], Vong et al. [12], Fang and Zhang [13,14], Qin et al. [15], authors studied the global existence and uniqueness under some assumptions on initial data.

When  $f \neq 0$ , Qin and Zhao [16] proved the global existence and asymptotic behavior for  $\gamma = 1$  and  $\mu = \text{const}$  with boundary conditions  $u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0$ ; Zhang and Fang [17] established the global behavior of the Equations (1.1)-(1.2) with boundary conditions  $u(0,t) = \rho(1,t) = 0$ . In this paper, we obtain the global existence of the weak solutions and regularity with boundary conditions (1.4)-(1.5). In order to obtain existence and higher regularity of global solutions, there are many complicated estimates on external force and higher derivations of solution to be involved, this is our difficulty. To overcome this difficulty, we should use some proper embedding theorems, the interpolation techniques as well as many delicate estimates. This is the novelty of the paper.

The notation in this paper will be as follows:

$L^p$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq +\infty$ ,  $W^{m,p}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $H^1 = W^{1,2}$ ,  $H_0^1 = W_0^{1,2}$  denote the usual (Sobolev) spaces on  $[0,1]$ . In addition,  $\|\cdot\|_B$  denotes the norm in the space  $B$ ; we also put  $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_{L^2([0,1])}$ .

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we shall prove the global existence in  $H^1$ . In Section 3, we shall establish the global existence in  $H^2$ . In Section 4, we give the detailed proof of Theorem 4.1.

## 2 Global existence of solutions in $H^1$

In this section, we shall establish the global existence of solutions in  $H^1$ .

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,  $\gamma > 1$ , and assume that the initial data  $(\rho_0, u_0)$  satisfies  $\inf_{[0,1]} \rho_0 > 0$ ,  $\rho_0 \in W^{1,2n}$ ,  $u_0 \in H^1$  and external force  $f$  satisfies  $f(r(x,\cdot), \cdot) \in L^{2n}([0,T], L^{2n}([0,1]))$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n(2n-1)/(2n^2+2n-1) > \theta$ , then there exists a unique global solution  $(\rho(x,t), u(x,t))$  to problem (1.8)-(1.11), such that for any  $T > 0$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < C_1^{-1}(T) \leq \rho(x,t) \leq C_1(T), \quad \rho \in L^\infty([0,T], H^1[0,1]), \\ u \in L^\infty([0,T], H^1[0,1]) \cap L^2([0,T], H^2[0,1]), \quad u_t \in L^2([0,T], L^2[0,1]). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Theorem 2.1 can be done by a series of lemmas as follows.

**Lemma 2.1** *Under conditions of Theorem 2.1, the following estimates hold*

$$\int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \rho^{\gamma-1} \right) dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2(x,s) dx ds \leq C_1(T), \quad (2.1)$$

$$\rho(x,t) \leq C_1(T), \quad (x,t) \in [0,1] \times [0,T], \quad (2.2)$$

$$\int_0^1 u^{2n} dx + n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u^{2n-2} u_x^2(x,s) dx ds \leq C_1(T) \quad (2.3)$$

where  $C_1(T)$  denotes generic positive constant depending only on  $\|\rho_0\|_{W^{1,2n}[0,1]}$ ,  $\|u_0\|_{H^1[0,1]}$ , time  $T$  and  $\|f\|_{L^{2n}([0,T],L^{2n}[0,1])}$ .

**Proof** Multiplying (1.8) and (1.9) by  $\rho^{\gamma-2}$  and  $u$ , respectively, using integration by parts, and considering the boundary conditions (1.10), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \rho^{\gamma-1} \right) dx + \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx = \int_0^1 f u dx \quad (2.4)$$

Integrating (2.4) with respect to  $t$  over  $[0, t]$ , using Young's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \rho^{\gamma-1} \right) dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx ds &\leq C_1(T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^2 dx + C_1 \int_0^t \int_0^1 f^2 dx ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^2 dx + C_1(T) \end{aligned}$$

which, by virtue of Gronwall's inequality and assumption  $f(r(x, \cdot), \cdot) \in L^{2n}([0, T], L^{2n}[0, 1])$ , gives (2.1).

We derive from (1.8) that

$$(\rho^\theta)_t = -\theta \rho^{1+\theta} u_x \quad (2.5)$$

Integrating (2.5) with respect to  $t$  over  $[0, t]$  yields

$$\rho^\theta(x, t) = \rho_0^\theta - \theta \int_0^t \rho^{1+\theta} u_x(x, s) ds. \quad (2.6)$$

Integrating (1.9) with respect to  $x$ , applying the boundary conditions (1.10), we obtain

$$\rho^{1+\theta} u_x = \int_0^x u_t dy + \rho^\gamma - \int_0^x f(r(y, t), t) dy \quad (2.7)$$

Inserting (2.7) into (2.6) gives

$$\rho^\theta + \theta \int_0^t \rho^\gamma ds = \rho_0^\theta + \theta \int_0^t \int_0^x f(r(y, s), s) dy ds - \theta \int_0^x (u - u_0) dy \quad (2.8)$$

Thus, the Hölder inequality and (2.1) imply

$$\left| \int_0^x u(y, t) dy \right| \leq C_1 \quad (2.9)$$

and (2.2) follows from (2.8) and (2.9).

Multiplying (1.9) by  $2nu^{2n-1}$  and integrating over  $x$  and  $t$ , applying the boundary conditions (1.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 u^{2n} dx + 2n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n-2} \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx ds \\ &= \int_0^1 u_0^{2n} dx + 2n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n-2} \rho^\gamma u_x dx ds + 2n \int_0^t \int_0^1 f u^{2n-1} dx ds. \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

Applying the Young inequality and condition  $f(r(x, \cdot), \cdot) \in L^{2n}([0, T], L^{2n}[0, 1])$  to the last two terms in (2.10) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 u^{2n} dx + n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n-2} \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx ds \\ & \leq C_1 + \int_0^t \int_0^1 f^{2n} dx ds + (2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n} dx ds \\ & \quad + n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n-2} \rho^{2\gamma-1-\theta} dx ds \\ & \leq C_1(T) + n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{n} \rho^{(2\gamma-1-\theta)n} + \frac{n-1}{n} u^{2n} \right) dx ds + (2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n} dx ds \\ & \leq C_1(T) + n(2n-1) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u^{2n} dx ds. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

Applying Gronwall's inequality, we conclude

$$\int_0^1 u^{2n} dx \leq C_1(T) \quad (2.12)$$

, which, along with (2.11), yields (2.3). The proof of Lemma 2.1 is complete.

**Lemma 2.2** *Under conditions of Theorem 2.1, the following estimates hold*

$$\int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \leq C_1(T), \quad (2.13)$$

$$\rho(x, t) \geq C_1^{-1}(T) > 0. \quad (2.14)$$

**Proof** We derive from (2.5) and (1.9) that

$$(\rho^\theta)_{xt} = -\theta(ut + (\rho^\gamma)_x - f). \quad (2.15)$$

Integrating it with respect to  $t$  over  $[0, t]$ , we obtain

$$(\rho^\theta)_x = (\rho_0^\theta)_x - \theta(u - u_0) - \theta \int_0^t (\rho^\gamma)_x ds + \theta \int_0^t f ds. \quad (2.16)$$

Multiplying (2.16) by  $[(\rho^\theta)_x]^{2n-1}$ , and integrating the resultant with respect to  $x$  to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx = \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n-1} (\rho^\theta)_x dx \\
 & - \theta \int_0^1 \left[ (u - u_0) + \int_0^t (\rho^\gamma)_x ds - \int_0^t f ds \right] (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n-1} dx \\
 & \leq C \left( \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{2n-1}{2n}} \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \right. \\
 & \quad + \|u - u_0\|_{L^{2n}} + \left( \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^t (\rho^\gamma)_x ds \right)^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \\
 & \quad \left. + \left( \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^t f ds \right)^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \right\} \\
 & \leq C \left( \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{2n-1}{2n}} \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} \right. \\
 & \quad + \|u - u_0\|_{L^{2n}} + \int_0^t \left( \int_0^1 (\rho^\gamma)_x^{2n} ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} dx \\
 & \quad \left. + \int_0^t \left( \int_0^1 f^{2n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2n}} ds \right\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

here, we use the inequality  $\left\| \int g(\cdot, s) \right\|_{L^p} \leq \int \|g(\cdot, s)\|_{L^p} ds$ . Using Young's inequality and assumptions of external of  $f$ , we get from (2.17) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \\
 & \quad + C \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\rho^\gamma)_x^{2n} dx ds + C \int_0^t \int_0^1 f^{2n} dx ds + C_1(T) \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\rho^\gamma)_x^{2n} dx ds + C_1(T).
 \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

Hence,

$$\int_0^1 (\rho^\theta)_x^{2n} dx \leq C_1(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\rho^\gamma)_x^{2n} dx ds \quad (2.18)$$

Using the Gronwall inequality to (2.18), we obtain (2.13).

The proof of (2.14) can be found in [3], please refer to Lemma 2.3 in [3] for detail.

**Lemma 2.3** *Under the assumptions in Theorem 2.1, for any  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , we have the following estimate*

$$\|u_x(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|u_t(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_1(T). \quad (2.19)$$

**Proof** Multiplying (1.9) by  $u_t$ , then integrating over  $[0,1] \times [0,t]$ , we obtain

$$\int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds = \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t (\rho^{1+\theta} u_x - \rho^\gamma)_x dx ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t f dx ds. \quad (2.20)$$

Using integration by parts, (1.8) and the boundary conditions (1.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t (\rho^{1+\theta} u_x - \rho^\gamma)_x dx ds &= \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_{tx} (\rho^\gamma - \rho^{1+\theta} u_x) dx ds \\ &= \int_0^1 \left\{ u_x \left( \rho^\gamma - \frac{1}{2} \rho^{1+\theta} u_x \right) - u_{0x} \left( \rho_0^\gamma - \frac{1}{2} \rho_0^{1+\theta} u_{0x} \right) \right\} dx \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \left\{ \gamma u_x^2 \rho^{\gamma+1} - \frac{1+\theta}{2} u_x^3 \rho^{2+\theta} \right\} dx ds. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx &= \int_0^1 \left\{ u_x \rho^\gamma - u_{0x} \left( \rho_0^\gamma - \frac{1}{2} \rho_0^{1+\theta} u_{0x} \right) \right\} dx \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \left\{ \gamma u_x^2 \rho^{\gamma+1} - \frac{1+\theta}{2} u_x^3 \rho^{2+\theta} \right\} dx ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t f dx ds \\ &\leq C_1(T) + \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{4} \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 + \rho^{2\gamma-1-\theta} \right) dx + C_1(T) \int_0^t \sup_{[0,1]} \rho^{\gamma-\theta} \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_x^2 dx ds \\ &\quad + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} |u_x|^3 dx ds + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 f^2 dx ds. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemmas 2.1-2.2, we derive

$$\int_0^1 u_x^2 dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds \leq C_1(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} |u_x|^3 dx ds \quad (2.21)$$

The last term on the right-hand side of (2.21) can be estimated as follows, using (1.8), conditions (1.10) and Lemmas 2.1-2.2,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} |u_x|^3 dx ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) \int_0^t \max_{[0,1]} |\rho^{1+\theta} u_x| u_x^2 dx ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) \int_0^t \max_{[0,1]} |\rho^{1+\theta} u_x - \rho^\gamma| \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 |(\rho^{1+\theta} u_x - \rho^\gamma)_x| ds \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 |u_t| ds \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 |f| ds \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 f^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \left( \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx \right)^2 ds \\
 & \leq C_1(T) + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \left( \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx \right)^2 ds.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

Inserting the above estimate into (2.21),

$$\int_0^1 u_x^2 dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_t^2 dx ds \leq C_1(T) + C \int_0^t \|u_x\|^2 \int_0^1 u_x^2 dx ds.$$

which, by virtue of Gronwall's inequality, (2.1) and (2.14), gives (2.19).

**Proof of Theorem 2.1** By Lemmas 2.1-2.3, we complete the proof of Theorem 2.1.

### 3 Global existence of solutions in $H^2$

For external force  $f(r, t)$ , we suppose

$$f(r, t) \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \quad f_r(r, t) \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \quad f_t(r, t) \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]) \tag{3.1}$$

Constant  $C_2(T)$  denotes generic positive constant depending only on the  $H^2$ -norm of initial data  $(\rho_0, u_0)$ ,  $\|f\|_{L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1])}$ ,  $\|f_r\|_{L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1])}$ ,  $\|f_t\|_{L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1])}$ , time  $T$  and constant  $C_1(T)$ .

**Remark 3.1** By (3.1), we easily know that assumptions (3.1) is equivalent to the following conditions

$$f(r(x, t), t) \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \tag{3.2}$$

$$f_r(r(x, t), t) \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \quad f_t(r(x, t), t) \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]). \tag{3.3}$$

Therefore, the generic constant  $C_2(T)$  depending only on the norm of initial data  $(\rho_0, u_0)$  in  $H^2$ , the norms of  $f$  in the class of functions in (3.2)-(3.3) and time  $T$ .



**Theorem 3.1** *Let  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,  $\gamma > 1$ , and assume that the initial data satisfies  $(\rho_0, u_0) \in H^2$  and external force  $f$  satisfies conditions (3.1), then there exists a unique global solution  $(\rho(x, t), u(x, t))$  to problem (1.8)-(1.11), such that for any  $T > 0$ ,*

$$\rho \in L^\infty([0, T], H^2[0, 1]), \quad u \in L^\infty([0, T], H^2[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^3[0, 1]), \quad (3.4)$$

$$u_t \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^1[0, 1]). \quad (3.5)$$

The proof of Theorem 3.1 can be divided into the following several lemmas.

**Lemma 3.2** *Under the assumptions in Theorem 3.1, for any  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , we have the following estimates*

$$\|u_t(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_{tx}^2(x, s) \, dx ds \leq C_2(T), \quad (3.6)$$

$$\|u_x(t)\|_L^2 + \|u_{xx}(t)\|^2 \leq C_2(T). \quad (3.7)$$

**Proof** Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $t$ , multiplying the resulting equation by  $u_t$  in  $L^2[0, 1]$ , performing an integration by parts, and using Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u_t\|^2 + \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 \, dx &= \int_0^1 \left( (\theta + 1) \rho^{\theta+2} u_x^2 - \gamma \rho^{\gamma+1} u_x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right) u_{tx} \, dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 \, dx + C_1(T) \int_0^1 (\rho^{2\theta+3} u_x^4 + \rho^{2\gamma+1-\theta} u_x^2) \, dx \\ &\quad + C_1(T) \int_0^1 ((f_r r_t)^2 + f_t^2) \, dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Integrating (3.8) with respect to  $t$ , applying the interpolation inequality, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_t(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 \, dx ds &\leq \|u_t(x, 0)\|^2 + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (u_x^4 + u_x^2 + f_r^2 u^2 + f_t^2) \, dx ds \\ &\leq \|u_t(x, 0)\|^2 + C_1(T) \int_0^t \left[ u_x^2 + \left( \|u_{xx}\|^{\frac{1}{4}} \|u_x\|^{\frac{3}{4}} + \|u_x\|^4 \right) (s) \right] \, ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \|u\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_0^1 f_r^2 \, dx ds + C_1(t) \int_0^t \int_0^1 f_t^2 \, dx ds. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

On the other hand, by (1.9), we get

$$u_{0t} = -\gamma \rho_0^{\gamma-1} \rho_0 u_x + \rho_0^{\theta+1} u_{0xx} + (\theta + 1) \rho_0^\theta \rho_0 u_{0x} + f(r_0, 0). \quad (3.10)$$

We derive from assumption (3.1) and (3.10) that

$$\int_0^1 u_{0t}^2(x) \, dx \leq C_2(T). \quad (3.11)$$

Inserting (3.11) into (3.9), by virtue of Lemmas 2.1-2.3 and assumption (3.1), we obtain (3.6). We infer from (1.9),

$$u_t = -\gamma \rho^{\gamma-1} \rho_x + \rho^{\theta+1} u_{xx} + (\theta + 1) \rho^\theta \rho_x u_x + f(r, t). \quad (3.12)$$

Multiplying (3.12) by  $u_{xx}$  in  $L^2[0,1]$ , we deduce

$$\int_0^1 \rho^{\theta+1} u_{xx}^2 \, dx = \int_0^1 u_{xx} (u_t + \gamma \rho^{\gamma-1} \rho_x - (\theta + 1) \rho^\theta \rho_x u_x - f(r, t)) \, dx. \quad (3.13)$$

Using Young's inequality and Sobolev's embedding theorem  $W^{1,1} \hookrightarrow W^\infty$ , Lemma 2.1 and (3.6), we deduce from (3.13) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 \, dx &\leq C_1(T) \int_0^1 (u_t^2 + \rho_x^2 + \rho_x^2 u_x^2 + f^2) \, dx + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 \, dx \\ &\leq C_2(T) + C_1(T) \|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_0^1 \rho_x^2 \, dx + \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 \, dx \\ &\leq C_2(T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 \, dx \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 \, dx \leq C_2(T). \quad (3.14)$$

Applying embedding theorem, we derive from (3.14) that

$$\|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \leq C_1(T) (\|u_x\|^2 + \|u_{xx}\|^2) \leq C_2(T)$$

which, along with (3.14), gives (3.7). The proof is complete.

**Lemma 3.3** *Under the assumptions in Theorem 3.1, for any  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , we have the following estimates*

$$\|\rho_{xx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|\rho_{xx}(s)\|^2 \, ds \leq C_2(T), \quad (3.15)$$

$$\int_0^t \|u_{xxx}(s)\|^2 \, dx \leq C_2(T). \quad (3.16)$$

**Proof** Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$ , exploiting (1.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tx} &= (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{xx} + \frac{df}{dx} \\ &= -\gamma(\gamma-1)\rho^{\gamma-2}\rho_x^2 - \gamma\rho^{\gamma-1}\rho_{xx} + (\theta+1)\theta\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_x^2 u_x \\ &\quad + (\theta+1)\rho^\theta \rho_{xx} u_x + 2(\theta+1)\rho^\theta \rho_x u_{xx} + \rho^{\theta+1} u_{xxx} + \frac{1}{\rho} f_r \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

which gives

$$(\rho^{\theta-1} \rho_{xx})_t + P_\rho \rho_{xx} = E(x, t), \quad (3.18)$$

with

$$E(x, t) = -P_{\rho\rho} \rho_x^2 - 2(1-\theta)\rho^\theta \rho_x u_{xx} + (1+\theta)\theta\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_x^2 u_x - 2\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_x^2 u_x - u_{tx} + \frac{1}{\rho} f_r.$$

Multiplying (3.18) by  $\rho^{\theta-1} \rho_{xx}$ , integrating the resultant over  $[0, 1]$ , using condition (3.1), Young's inequality, Lemma 3.2 and Theorem 2.1, we deduce

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\rho^{\theta-1} \rho_{xx}\|^2 + \int_0^1 \gamma \rho^{\gamma+\theta-2} \rho_{xx}^2 dx \leq C_1(T) \int_0^1 (\rho_x^4 + u_{tx}^2 + \rho_x^4 u_x^2 + \rho_x^2 u_{xx}^2 + f_r^2) dx \quad (3.19)$$

Integrating (3.19) with respect to  $t$  over  $[0, t]$ , using Theorem 2.1, Lemma 3.2 and the interpolation inequality, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\rho_{xx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|\rho_{xx}(s)\|^2 ds \\ &\leq C_2(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_0^1 \rho_x^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\rho_x^4 + u_{tx}^2) dx ds \\ &\quad + C_1(T) \int_0^t \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_0^1 u_{xx}^2 dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 f_r^2 dx ds \\ &\leq C_2(T) + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho_x^2 dx ds + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \|\rho_{xx}(s)\|^2 ds \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

which, along with Lemma 2.1, gives estimate (3.15).

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$ , we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xxx} &= \rho^{-1-\theta} (u_{tx} + \gamma(\gamma-1)) \rho^{\gamma-2} \rho_x^2 + \gamma \rho^{\gamma-1} \rho_{xx} \\ &\quad - ((\theta+1)\rho^\theta \rho_{xx} u_x + 2(\theta+1)\rho^\theta \rho_x u_{xx} + (\theta+1)\theta\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_x^2 u_x) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

Integrating (3.21) with respect to  $x$  and  $t$  over  $[0,1] \times [0,t]$ , applying the embedding theorem, Lemmas 2.1-2.3 and Lemma 3.1, and the estimate (3.15), we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \int_0^1 u_{xxx}^2 dx ds &\leq C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (u_{tx}^2 + \rho_x^4 + \rho_{xx}^2 + \rho_x^2 u_{xx}^2 + \rho_x^4 u_x^2 + \rho_{xx}^2 u_x^2 + f_r^2) dx ds \\ &\leq C_1(T) \int_0^t \|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_0^1 (\rho_{xx}^2 + \rho_x^4) dx ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|u_{xx}\|^2 ds \\ &\quad + C_1(T) \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\rho_x^4 + u_{tx}^2 + \rho_{xx}^2 + f_r^2) dx ds \\ &\leq C_2(T). \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

The proof is complete.

**Proof of Theorem 3.1** By Lemmas 3.2-3.3, Theorem 2.1 and Sobolev's embedding theorem, we complete the proof of Theorem 3.1.

#### 4 Global existence of solutions in $H^4$

For external force  $f(r,t)$ , besides (3.1), we assume that

$$f_r, f_t, f_{rr} \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \quad f_{rr}, f_{rt}, f_{ru}, f_{rrr} \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]). \quad (4.1)$$

**Remark 4.1** By (4.1), we easily know that assumptions (4.1) is equivalent to the following conditions

$$f_r(r(x, t), t), f_t(r(x, t), t), f_{rr}(r(x, t), t) \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]), \quad (4.2)$$

$$f_{rr}(r(x, t), t), f_{rt}(r(x, t), t), f_{ru}(r(x, t), t), f_{rrr}(r(x, t), t) \in L^2([0, T], L^2[0, 1]). \quad (4.3)$$

Therefore, the generic constant  $C_4(T)$  depending only on the norm of initial data  $(\rho_0, u_0)$  in  $H^4$ , the norms of  $f$  in the class of functions in (4.2)-(4.3) and time  $T$ .

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,  $\gamma > 1$ , and assume that the initial data satisfies  $(\rho_0, u_0) \in H^4$  and external force  $f$  satisfies conditions (4.1), then there exists a unique global solution  $(\rho(x, t), u(x, t))$  to problem (1.8)-(1.11), such that for any  $T > 0$ ,

$$\rho \in L^\infty([0, T], H^4[0, 1]), \quad \rho_t \in L^\infty([0, T], H^3[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^4[0, 1]), \quad (4.4)$$

$$\rho_{tt} \in L^\infty([0, T], H^1[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^2[0, 1]), \quad (4.5)$$

$$u \in L^\infty([0, T], H^4[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^5[0, 1]), \quad (4.6)$$

$$u_t \in L^\infty([0, T], H^2[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^3[0, 1]), \quad (4.7)$$

$$u_{tt} \in L^\infty([0, T], L^2[0, 1]) \cap L^2([0, T], H^1[0, 1]). \quad (4.8)$$

The proof of Theorem 4.1 can be divided into the following several lemmas.

**Lemma 4.2** *Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, the following estimates hold for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ,*

$$\|u_{tx}(x, 0)\| + \|u_{txx}(x, 0)\| + \|u_{tt}(x, 0)\| \leq C_4(T), \quad (4.9)$$

$$\|u_{tt}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|u_{txx}(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T). \quad (4.10)$$

**Proof** We easily infer from (1.9) and Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1 that

$$\|u_t(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|\rho_x(t)\| + \|f(t)\|). \quad (4.11)$$

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$  and exploiting Lemmas 2.1-2.3, we have

$$\|u_{tx}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|f_r(t)\|), \quad (4.12)$$

or

$$\|u_{xxx}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|u_{tx}(t)\| + \|f_r(t)\|). \quad (4.13)$$

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$  twice, using Lemmas 2.1-2.3, 3.2-3.3 and the embedding theorem, we have

$$\|u_{txx}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|f_r(t)\| + \|f_{rr}(t)\|), \quad (4.14)$$

or

$$\|u_{xxxx}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{tx}(t)\| + \|f_r(t)\| + \|f_{rr}(t)\|). \quad (4.15)$$

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $t$ , and using Lemmas 2.1-2.3 and (1.8), we deduce that

$$\|u_{tt}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_{tx}(t)\| + \|u_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|\rho_x(t)\| + \|u_{txx}(t)\| + \|f_r(t)\| + \|f_t(t)\|) \quad (4.16)$$

which together with (4.12) and (4.14) implies

$$\|u_{tt}(t)\| \leq C_2(T)(\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|f_r(t)\| + \|f_t(t)\| + \|f_{rr}(t)\|). \quad (4.17)$$

Thus, estimate (4.9) follows from (4.12), (4.14), (4.17) and condition (4.1).

Now differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $t$  twice, multiplying the resulting equation by  $u_{tt}$  in  $L^2([0, 1])$ , and using integration by parts, (1.8) and the boundary condition (1.10), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 u_{ttt} u_{tt} dx &= \int_0^1 \left[ (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tx} + \frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} \right] u_{tt} dx \\ &= - \int_0^1 (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tt} u_{tx} dx + \int_0^1 (f_{rr} r_t^2 + f_r r_{tt} + f_{rt} + f_{rr} r_t + f_{tt}) u_{tt} dx \\ &\leq - \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u_{tt}^2 dx \\ &\quad + C_1(T) \int_0^1 (u_x^4 + u_{tx}^2 + u_x^2 u_{tx}^2 + u_x^6 + f_r^2 u_t^2 + f_{rr}^2 + f_t^2 + f_{tt}^2) dx \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

here, we use  $\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} = f_{rr}r_t^2 + f_{rt}r_t + f_{rr}r_1^2 + f_{rt}$ . Integrating (4.18) with respect to  $t$ , applying assumption (4.1) and (4.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u_{tt}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 dx ds \\ & \leq C_4(T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \|u_{tt}(s)\|^2 ds + C_1(T) \int_0^t (\|u_x\|^2 + \|u_{tx}\|^2 + \|u_x\|_{L^6}^6 \\ & \quad + \|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|u_{tx}\|^2 + \|f_r\|^2 \|u_t\|_{L^\infty}^2) (s) ds \\ & \leq C_4(T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \|u_{tt}(s)\|^2 ds + C_2(T) \int_0^t (\|u_x\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_t\|_{H^1}^2) (s) ds \end{aligned}$$

which, with Lemmas 2.1-2.3 and Theorem 3.1, implies

$$\|u_{tt}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{tx}^2 dx ds \leq C_4(T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \|u_{tt}(s)\|^2 ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.19)$$

If we apply Gronwall's inequality to (4.19), we conclude (4.11). The proof is complete.

**Lemma 4.3** *Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, the following estimate holds for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ,*

$$\|u_{tx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|u_{txx}(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T). \quad (4.20)$$

**Proof** Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$  and  $t$ , multiplying the resulting equation by  $u_{tx}$  in  $L^2[0, 1]$ , and integrating by parts, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 u_{tx} u_{tx} dx = \int_0^1 \left( (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{txx} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial x} \right) u_{tx} dx \\ & = (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tx} u_{tx} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tx} u_{txx} dx \\ & \quad + \int_0^1 (f_{rr} r_t r_x + f_{rt} r_{tx} + f_{rr} r_x) u_{tx} dx \\ & = B_1 + B_2 + B_3 \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &= (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tx} u_{tx} \Big|_0^1, \quad B_2 = - \int_0^1 (-\rho^\gamma + \rho^{1+\theta} u_x)_{tx} u_{txx} dx, \\ B_3 &= \int_0^1 (f_{rr} r_t r_x + f_{rt} r_{tx} + f_{rr} r_x) u_{tx} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Employing Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1 Lemma 4.2 and the interpolation inequality, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &\leq C_2(T)(\|u_{xx}\|_{L^\infty} + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}\|u_x\|_{L^\infty} + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}\|u_{tx}\|_{L^\infty} + \|u_{txx}\|_{L^\infty} \\ &\quad + \|u_x\|_{L^\infty}\|u_{xx}\|_{L^\infty} + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}\|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2)\|u_{tx}\|_{L^\infty} \\ &\leq C_2(T)(B_{01} + B_{02})\|u_{tx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|u_{txx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned} \quad (4.22)$$

with

$$B_{01} = \|u_x\|_{H^2} + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}, \quad B_{02} = \|u_{tx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|u_{txx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}} + \|u_{txx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|u_{txxx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Applying Young's inequality several times, we have that for any  $\varepsilon \in (0,1)$ ,

$$C_2(T)B_{01}\|u_{tx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|u_{txx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}\|u_{txx}\|^2 + C_2(T)\varepsilon^{-3}(\|u_{tx}\|^2 + \|u_x\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}^2), \quad (4.23)$$

and

$$C_2(T)B_{02}\|u_{tx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|u_{txx}\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}\|u_{txx}\|^2 + \varepsilon^2\|u_{txxx}\|^2 + \|C_2(T)\varepsilon^{-6}\|u_{tx}\|^2. \quad (4.24)$$

Thus we infer from (4.22)-(4.24) that

$$B_1 \leq \varepsilon^2(\|u_{txx}\|^2 + \|u_{txxx}\|^2) + C_2(T)\varepsilon^{-6}(\|u_{tx}\|^2 + \|u_x\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}^2) \quad (4.25)$$

which, together with Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 4.2, implies

$$\int_0^t B_1(s)ds \leq C_2(T) + \varepsilon^2 \int_0^t (\|u_{txx}\|^2 + \|u_{txxx}\|^2)(s)ds. \quad (4.26)$$

On the other hand, differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$  and  $t$ , and using Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 4.2, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{txxx}(t)\|^2 &\leq C_2(T) \left( \|u_x\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{tx}\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{txx}\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial t} \right\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq C_2(T) (\|u_x\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{tx}\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{txx}\|^2 \\ &\quad + \|f_{tt}\|^2 + \|f_t\|^2\|u_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|f_{tt}\|^2) \end{aligned} \quad (4.27)$$

Inserting (4.27) into (4.26), employing Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 4.2, we conclude

$$\int_0^t B_1(s)ds \leq C_4(T) + \varepsilon^2 \int_0^t \|u_{txx}(s)\|^2 ds. \quad (4.28)$$

Similarly, by Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1, Lemma 4.2 and the embedding theorem, we get that for any  $\varepsilon \in (0,1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} B_2 &\leq - \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{txx}^2 dx + \varepsilon \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{txx}^2 dx \\ &\quad + C_2(T) \int_0^1 (\rho_x^2 u_x^4 + \rho_x^2 u_{tx}^2 + \rho_x^2 u_x^2 + u_{xx}^2) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (4.29)$$

By virtue of assumption (4.1), Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} B_3 &= C_1(T)(\|u\|_{L^\infty} \|f_{rr}\| + \|u_x\|_{L^\infty} \|f_r\| + \|f_{rt}\|) \\ &\leq C_2(T)(\|f_{rr}\| + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rt}\|) \end{aligned}$$

which, combined with (4.21) and (4.27)-(4.29), gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \|u_{tx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^1 \rho^{1+\theta} u_{txx}^2 dx &\leq \varepsilon^2 (\|u_{txx}\|^2 + \|u_{txxx}\|^2) \\ &+ C_2(T) (\|u_{tx}\|^2 + \|u_x\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\rho_x\|_{H^1}^2 + \|f_{rr}\|^2 + \|f_r\|^2 + \|f_{rt}\|^2). \end{aligned} \quad (4.30)$$

Integrating (4.30) with respect to  $t$ , picking  $\varepsilon$  small enough, using Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, Lemma 4.2 and assumption (4.1), we complete the proof of estimate (4.20).

**Lemma 4.4** *Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, the following estimates hold for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ,*

$$\|\rho_{xxx}(t)\|^2 + \|\rho_{xxxx}(t)\| \leq C_4(T), \quad (4.31)$$

$$\|u_{xxx}(t)\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{txx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t (\|u_{tt}\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u_{txx}\|_{H^1}^2) (s) ds \leq C_4(T), \quad (4.32)$$

$$\int_0^t \|u_{xxxx}(s)\|_{H^1}^2 ds \leq C_4(T). \quad (4.33)$$

**Proof** Differentiating (3.18) with respect to  $x$ , we have

$$(\rho^{\theta-1} \rho_{xxx})_t + P_\rho \rho_{xxx} = E_1(x, t) \quad (4.34)$$

where

$$E_1(x, t) = E_x(x, t) - P_{\rho\rho} \rho_x \rho_{xx} - (\theta - 1)(\rho^{\theta-2} \rho_x \rho_{xx})_t. \quad (4.35)$$

An easy calculation with the interpolation inequality, Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_x(t)\| &\leq C_2(T)(\|\rho_x(t)\|_{L^6}^3 + \|\rho_x \rho_{xx}\| + \|\rho_x u_{xxx}\| + \|\rho_{xx} u_{xx}\| \\ &\quad + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}^3 \|u_x\| + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|u_{xx}\| + \|u_{txx}\| + \|\rho_x\|_{L^\infty} \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\|) \\ &\leq C_2(T)(\|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|u_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{txx}\| + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\|), \end{aligned} \quad (4.36)$$

and

$$\|E_1\| \leq C_2(T)(\|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|u_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{txx}(t)\| + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\|). \quad (4.37)$$

By virtue of Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, we infer from (4.36)-(4.37), (4.20) and assumption (4.1) that

$$\int_0^t \|E_1(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.38)$$



Now multiplying (4.34) by  $\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_{xxx}$  in  $L^2[0,1]$ , we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_{xxx}\|^2 + \|\rho_{xxx}(t)\|^2 \leq C_1(T) \|E_1(T)\|^2. \quad (4.39)$$

Integrating (4.39) with respect to  $t$ , using Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, assumption (4.1) and (4.38), we can get

$$\|\rho_{xxx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|\rho_{xxx}(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.40)$$

By virtue of Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, we infer from (4.10), (4.15) and (4.40) that

$$\|u_{xxx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|u_{xxx}(s)\|_{H^1}^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.41)$$

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $t$ , using Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1 and Lemmas 4.2-4.3, we infer that for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ,

$$\|u_{tx}(t)\| \leq C_2(T) \|u_{tt}(t)\| + C_2(T) (\|u_x(t)\|_{H^1} + \|u_{tx}(t)\| + \|\rho_x(t)\|) \leq C_4(T) \quad (4.42)$$

which, combined with (4.15), (4.40) and (4.42), gives

$$\|u_{xxx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|u_{tx}(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.43)$$

Differentiating (4.34) with respect to  $x$ , we see that

$$(\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_{xxx})_t + P_\rho \rho_{xxx} = E_2(x, t), \quad (4.44)$$

with

$$E_2(x, t) = E_{1x}(x, t) - P_{\rho\rho} \rho_x \rho_{xxx} - (\theta - 1)(\rho^{\theta-2} \rho_x \rho_{xxx})_t$$

and

$$E_{1x}(x, t) = E_{xx}(x, t) - P_{\rho\rho} \rho_x \rho_{xx} - (\theta - 1)(\rho^{\theta-2} \rho_x \rho_{xx})_{tx}.$$

Using the embedding theorem, (1.8), Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1 and Lemmas 4.1-4.2, we can deduce that

$$\|E_{xx}(t)\| \leq C_4(T) (\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\| + \|f_{rrr}\|), \quad (4.45)$$

$$\|E_{1x}(t)\| \leq C_4(T) (\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{tx}(t)\|_{H^2} + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\| + \|f_{rrr}\|), \quad (4.46)$$

$$\|E_2(t)\| \leq C_4(T) (\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{tx}(t)\|_{H^2} + \|f_r\| + \|f_{rr}\| + \|f_{rrr}\|). \quad (4.47)$$

Inserting (4.46) into (4.47), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_2(t)\| &\leq C_4(T) (\|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^2} + \|u_{tx}(t)\|_{H^1} \\ &\quad + \|u_{tx}(t)\| + \|f_r(t)\| + \|f_{rr}(t)\| + \|f_{rrr}(t)\|). \end{aligned} \quad (4.48)$$

By virtue of Theorems 2.1, 3.1, Lemmas 4.2-4.3, we derive from (4.40)-(4.43) and assumption (4.1) that

$$\int_0^t \|E_2(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.49)$$

Multiplying (4.44) by  $\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_{xxxx}$  in  $L^2[0,1]$ , we get

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\rho^{\theta-1}\rho_{xxxx}\|^2 + \|\rho_{xxxx}(t)\|^2 \leq C_1(T)\|E_2(t)\|^2. \quad (4.50)$$

Integrating (4.50) with respect to  $t$ , using condition (4.1) and (4.49), we conclude

$$\|\rho_{xxxx}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \|\rho_{xxxx}(s)\|^2 ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.51)$$

Differentiating (1.9) with respect to  $x$  three times, using Theorems 2.1, 3.1, Lemmas 4.2-4.3 and the interpolation inequality, we infer

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{xxxx}(t)\| \leq C_4(T)(&\|u_{txxx}(t)\| + \|u_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|\rho_x(t)\|_{H^3} + \|f_r(t)\| \\ &+ \|f_{rr}(t)\| + \|f_{rrr}(t)\|). \end{aligned} \quad (4.52)$$

Thus we conclude from (1.8), (4.27), (4.41), (4.43), (4.51) and assumption (4.1) that

$$\int_0^t (\|u_{xxxxx}\|^2 + \|u_{txxx}\|^2)(s) ds \leq C_4(T), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.53)$$

Thus (4.31) follows from (4.40) and (4.51), we can derive estimate (4.32)-(4.33) from Theorem 2.1, Theorem 3.1, Lemmas 4.2-4.3, (4.41), (4.43) and (4.53). The proof is complete.

**Proof of Theorem 4.1** Using (1.8), Theorem 2.1, 3.1 and Lemmas 4.2-4.4 and the proper interpolation inequality, we readily get estimate (4.4)-(4.8) and complete the proof from Theorem 4.1.

**Corollary 4.5** *Under assumptions of Theorem 4.1 and some suitable compatibility conditions, the global solution  $(\rho(x,t), u(x,t))$  to problem (1.8)-(1.11) is the classical solution verifying*

$$\|\rho(t)\|_{C^{3+1/2}} + \|u(t)\|_{C^{3+1/2}} \leq C_4(T). \quad (116)$$

**Proof** By the embedding theorem, we easily prove the corollary from Theorem 4.1.

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