



# Global solution of reaction diffusion system with full matrix

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## Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to prove the global existence in time of solutions for the strongly coupled reaction-diffusion system:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - d_1 \Delta u - d_2 \Delta v = f(u, v) & \text{in } R^+ \times \Omega \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - d_3 \Delta u - d_4 \Delta v = g(u, v) & \text{in } R^+ \times \Omega \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial \eta} = 0 & \text{in } R^+ \times \Omega \\ u(., 0) = u_0(.), v(., 0) = v_0(.) & \text{in } \Omega \end{cases}$$

with full matrix of diffusion coefficients. Our techniques of proof are based on Lyapunov functional methods and some  $L^p$  estimates. we show that global solutions exist. Our investigation applied for a wide class of the nonlinear terms  $f$  and  $g$ .

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper we study the following semilinear parabolic system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - d_1 \Delta u - d_2 \Delta v = f(u, v) & \text{in } R^+ \times \Omega \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - d_3 \Delta u - d_4 \Delta v = g(u, v) & \text{in } R^+ \times \Omega \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

Where  $\Omega$  is a regular and bounded domain of  $R^n$ , ( $n \geq 1$ ),  $u = u(t, x)$   
 $v = v(t, x)$ ,  $x \in \Omega, t > 0$  are real valued functions,  $\Delta$  denotes the Laplacian operator, and the constants of diffusion  $d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4$  are assumed to be nonnegative.

System (1.1) is subjected to the following boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial \eta} = 0 \quad \text{in } R^+ \times \partial \Omega \quad (1.2)$$

and the initial data

$$u(., 0) = u_0(.), v(., 0) = v_0(.) \quad \text{in } \Omega \tag{1.3}$$

which are assumed to be nonnegative.

The above system (1.1)–(1.3) arises in physics, chemistry and various biological processes including population dynamics. ( See [6], [23] and references therein). condition (1.2) means that there is no species of immigration .

Concerning the functions  $f$  and  $g$ , we assume the following hypothesis:

**(H1)**  $f(r, s)$  and  $g(r, s)$  are continuously differentiable on  $R^+ \times R^+$ , such that

$$f(0, s) \geq 0, g(r, 0) \geq 0 \forall r, s \geq 0 \tag{1.4}$$

**(H2)** Assume further that there exists an integer  $\forall p \geq 1$  such that

$$K^{2i-1} f(r, s) + g(r, s) \leq C(r + s + 1) \quad i = 1, \dots, p \tag{1.5}$$

For all  $r, s \geq 0$  and a real  $m \geq 1$  such that:

$$\sup(|f(r, s)|, |g(r, s)|) \leq C(r + s + 1)^m, \forall r, s \geq 0 \tag{1.6}$$

The main question we want to address is the existence of global solutions for system (1.1)–(1.3). In fact the subject of the global existence of reaction diffusion systems has received a lot of attention in the last decades and several outstanding results have been proved by some of the major experts in the field. See [3, 5, 14].

This question has been investigated by many authors by considering special forms of the nonlinear terms  $f$  and  $g$ .

In the trivial case where  $d_2 = d_3 = d_1 - d_4 = 0$ ; nonnegative solutions exist globally in time.

In diagonal case where  $d_2 = d_3 = 0$  Note that, Alikakos[1], treated the following system

$$\begin{cases} u_t - d_1 \Delta u = f(u, v) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega \\ v_t - d_4 \Delta v = g(u, v) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega \end{cases} \tag{1.7}$$

with the same boundary conditions (1.2) and initial condition (1.3), where

$$f(u, v) = -g(u, v) = -uv^\sigma$$

and gave a positive answer to the problem of the global existence of system (1.7), (1.2), (1.3) under the assumption

$$1 < \sigma < \sigma_0 \tag{1.8}$$

where

$$\sigma_0 = 1 + \frac{2}{n} \tag{1.9}$$

The method used in [1] is based on some Sobolev embedding theorems.

Note that the exponent  $\sigma_0$  given in (1.9) is exactly the critical exponents given by Fujita [7] for the parabolic problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta u + u^\sigma \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{cases} \tag{1.10}$$

where  $u_0$  in (1.10) is a nonnegative. Fujita proved that if

$$1 < \sigma < \sigma_0$$

then(1.10) possesses no global nonnegative solutions while if  $\sigma > \sigma_0$  , both global and nonglobal nonnegative solutions exist, depending on the nature of the initial energy. Hollis, Martin, and Pierre [10] established global existence of positive solutions for system (1.1)-(1.2) with the boundary conditions

$$\lambda_1 u + (1 - \lambda_1) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} = \beta_1, \lambda_2 v + (1 - \lambda_2) \frac{\partial v}{\partial \eta} = \beta_2 \text{ on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times \partial \Omega$$

where

$$0 < \lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 1 \text{ or } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1 \text{ and } \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 \geq 0$$

or

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$$

under the conditions  $f(r, s) + g(r, s) \leq C(r, s)(r + s + 1); \forall r, s \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, p$

In [20] Masuda obtained a global existence result for a large class of the parameter  $\sigma$ . In fact, by using some  $L^p$  estimates, he showed that the solution of problem (1.1)–(1.3) exists globally in time if  $\sigma > 1$ .

The same result in [20] was obtained by Hollis et al [19] by exploiting the duality arguments on  $L^p$  techniques, allowing to derive the uniform boundeness of the solution.

Following Masuda’s approach, Haraux and Youkana [9] established a global existence result of system (1.1)–(1.3) for a large class of the function  $f$  and  $g$ . More precisely they showed that for

$$f(u, v) = -g(u, v) = -u\Phi(v) \tag{1.11}$$

the problem (1.1)–(1.3) admits a global solution provided that the following condition holds:

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log(1 + \Phi(v))}{v} = 0$$

In the general case, that is to say for

$$f(u, v) = -g(u, v) \tag{1.12}$$

the positivity of the function  $g(u, v)$  together with the maximum principle of the heat operator give the following uniform estimate of the solution in  $L^\infty(\Omega)$

$$\|u(t)\|_\infty \leq \|u_0(t)\|_\infty \forall t \in [0, T_{max}[$$

Where  $T_{max}$  is the maximal time of existence. See Pazy [24] for more details. Based on the Lyapunov functional method and for  $f$  and  $g$  satisfying (1.12), Kouachi [12] proved that the solution of problem (1.1)–(1.3) exists globally in time if

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log(1 + f(u, v))}{v} < \frac{8\alpha\beta}{n(\alpha - \beta)^2 \|u_0\|_\infty}$$

Moumeni and Salah Derradji [21] have established the existence of global solution using an approach that involves the Lyapunov’s functional for the system (1.1)–(1.3) where the functions  $f$  and  $g$  are assumed to satisfy the condition  $f(r, s) + g(r, s) \leq C(r + s + 1)$ .

If  $d_1 \neq d_4$ , an important particular case is that when  $f \leq 0$ , which means that the first substance is absorbed by the reaction, in this case, the problem of the global existence of system (1.7) reduces to obtaining a uniform estimate for  $v$ , since by the maximal principle we have  $u(x, t) \leq \|u_0\|_\infty$ .

Here the global existence when  $d_1 > d_4$  has been treated by Kanel and Kirane [12] for a bounded domain and by Martin and Pierre [14] for whole space  $R^n$ .

Still in the case  $d_1 \neq d_4$ , but without assuming  $d_1 > d_4$ , the answer is again positive to the problem of the global existence of system (1.7) under condition (1.13) and a polynomial growth assumption on  $g$ :

$$g(u, v) \leq C(u + v + 1)^\gamma, \text{ for all } u, v \geq 0 \text{ and some } \gamma \geq 1, \text{ see [10] for more details.}$$

If the diffusion coefficients are the same, that is, if  $d_1 = d_4$ , then system (1.7) has a global solution under the condition

$$f(u, v) + g(u, v) \leq 0 \tag{1.13}$$

,which is known as the mass dissipative structure condition. Indeed if

$$d_1 = d_4, \text{ then the solution } (u, v) \text{ of (1.7) satisfies (by summing up the two equations in (1.7))}$$

$$\frac{\partial(u+v)}{\partial t} - d_1(u+v) = f + g \leq 0$$

Then the maximal principle implies

$$0 \leq u + v \leq \|u_0\|_\infty + \|v_0\|_\infty$$

Therefore, the global existence follows.

In tridiagonal case where  $d_3 > 0$  and  $d_2 = 0$ , Moumeni and Salah Derradji [22] have established the existence of global solution of the problem (1.1)–(1.3) using the Lyapunov method combined with some  $L^p$  estimates.

For  $d_3 > 0$  and  $d_2 > 0$  In [12] J. I. Kanel and M. Kirane proved the global existence of solutions for a strongly coupled reaction-diffusion system with homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions and

$$f(u, v) = -g(u, v) = uv^m, m > 0$$

$m$  is an odd integer, Later they improved their results in [13] where they obtained the global existence with

$$f(u, v) = -g(u, v) = uF(v)$$

On the same direction, S. Kouachi [17] has proved the global existence of solutions for two-component reaction-diffusion systems with a general full matrix of diffusion coefficients, nonhomogeneous boundary conditions and polynomial growth conditions on the nonlinear terms and he obtained in [18] the global existence of solutions for the same system with homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions and

$$g(u, v) = \rho F(u, v), f(u, v) = -\sigma F(u, v) \rho > 0, \sigma > 0$$

B. Rebiai and S. Benachour[25] treat the case of a general full matrix of diffusion coefficients with the homogeneous boundary conditions with nonlinearities of exponential growth .

finally in [4] K. Boukerrioua generalize a result obtained in [22]. Our techniques are based on invariant regions and Lyapunov functional methods.

In the present work we consider problem (1.1)–(1.3) with  $d_2 > 0$  and  $d_3 > 0$ , where the function  $f$  and  $g$  are assumed to satisfy the condition (1.6), and by adopting the Lyapunov method combined with some  $L^p$  estimates we establish a global existence result of the solution .

The content of this paper is as follows. In section 2, we introduce some notations and give a local existence result. Our main result is stated in section 3.

## 2. Local existence

Throughout this work, we denote by  $\|\cdot\|_p, p \in [1; +\infty)$  the norm in  $L^p$  and  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  the norm in  $C(\bar{\Omega})$  or  $L^\infty$ , respectively, defined by  $\|u\|_p = \int_\Omega |u|^p dx^{\frac{1}{p}}$  and  $\|u\|_\infty = \text{esssup}_{x \in \Omega} |u(x)|$

The study of local existence and uniqueness of solutions  $(u; v)$  of (1.1)–(1.3) follows from the basic existence theory for parabolic semi linear equations (see, e.g., [2], [10], [24] and [27]). As a consequence, for any initial data in  $L^\infty$  there exists a  $T_{\max} \in (0; +\infty]$  such that (1.1)–(1.3) has a unique classical solution on  $(0, T_{\max}[ \times \Omega$ . Furthermore,

if  $T_{\max} < \infty$  then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow T_{\max}} \{\|u(t, \cdot)\|_\infty, \|v(t, \cdot)\|_\infty\} = +\infty$

Therefore, if there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that

$$\|u(t, \cdot)\|_\infty + \|v(t, \cdot)\|_\infty \leq C \quad \forall t \in [0, T_{\max}) \text{ then } T_{\max} = +\infty$$

### Remark 2.1

Under condition **(H1)**, it follows from the invariant region method that system (1.1)–(1.3) preserves positivity. In other words, if the initial data  $u_0$  and  $v_0$  in (1.3) are nonnegative, then the functions  $u$  and  $v$  of the corresponding solution of (1.1)–(1.3) are also nonnegative on  $]0, T_{\max}[ \times \Omega$ . See [10].

## 3. Statement of the main results

### 3.1. Existence of global solutions

In this section, we state and prove our global existence result of system (1.1)–(1.3). Our main theorem reads as follows.

**Theorem3.1**

Let  $p > \frac{mn}{2}$ . Assume that condition (H2) are satisfied. Then the solution  $(u(t, \cdot), v(t, \cdot))$  of (1.1)–(1.3) with initial positive condition in  $L^\infty(\Omega)$  exists globally in time.

We note that to prove Theorem 3.1 it is sufficient to derive a uniform estimate of  $\sup(\|f(u, v)\|_q, \|g(u, v)\|_q)$  for some  $q > n/2$ . (See [10] for more details).

The following lemma is a useful tool in the proof of the Theorem 3.1.

**Lemma3.1**

Let  $(u(t, \cdot), v(t, \cdot))$  be the solution of (1.1)–(1.3) and let  $L(t) = \int_\Omega \sum_{i=0}^p C_p^i K^{i^2} u^i v^{p-i} dx$  with  $p$  a positive integer and  $K$  is a serie of positive numbers such that  $K \succeq \max(\frac{d_1+d_4}{2\sqrt[3]{d_1d_4}}, \frac{d_2+d_3}{2\sqrt[3]{d_3d_2}})$  then the functional  $L$  is uniformly bounded on the interval  $[0, T^*]$   $T^* \preceq T_{\max}$

**Proof**

Differentiating  $L$  with respect to  $t$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} L'(t) &= \int_\Omega \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p (iC_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i}) u_t + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} ((p-i)C_p^i K^{i^2} u^i v^{p-i-1}) v_t \right] dx \\ &= \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p (iC_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i})(d_1 \Delta u + d_2 \Delta v + f(u, v)) dx + \\ &\quad \int_\Omega \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} ((p-i)C_p^i K^{i^2} u^i v^{p-i-1})(d_3 \Delta u + d_4 \Delta v + g(u, v)) dx \end{aligned}$$

A simple computation leads

$$\begin{aligned} L'(t) &= \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p (iC_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i})(d_1 \Delta u + d_2 \Delta v + f(u, v)) dx + \\ &\quad \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p ((p-i+1)C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i})(d_3 \Delta u + d_4 \Delta v + g(u, v)) dx \end{aligned}$$

From the above equality, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} L'(t) &= \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p d_1 i C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \Delta u dx + \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p d_4 (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \Delta v dx \\ &\quad + \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p d_2 i C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \Delta v dx + \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p d_3 (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \Delta u dx \\ &\quad + \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p i C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} f(u, v) dx + \int_\Omega \sum_{i=1}^p (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} g(u, v) dx \\ &= I + J + H \end{aligned}$$

By a simple use of Green’s formula we have:

$$I = - \int_\Omega \left( A |\nabla u|^2 + B \nabla u \nabla v + C |\nabla v|^2 \right) dx \tag{3.1}$$

where:

$$A = \sum_{i=2}^p d_1 i (i-1) C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i}$$

$$B = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_1 i (p-i) C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1} + \sum_{i=2}^p d_4 (i-1) (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i}$$

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_4 (p-i) (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

Using the fact that :

$$i C_p^i = (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} = p C_{p-1}^{i-1} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, p \quad (3.2)$$

and also since

$$i(i-1) C_p^{i+1} = i(p-i) C_p^i = (p-i)(p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} = p(p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} \quad (3.3)$$

we get

$$A = \sum_{i=2}^p d_1 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{i^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_1 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1} + \sum_{i=2}^p d_4 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i} \\ &= B_1 + B_2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_4 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

Putting :  $j = i - 2$ , we have :

$$A = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_1 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+2)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

$$B_2 = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_4 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+1)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

and Putting :  $j = i - 1$ , we get :

$$B_1 = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_1 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+1)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

$$C = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_4 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{j^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

Then :

$$I = -p(p-1) \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} C_{p-2}^j \int_{\Omega} u^j v^{p-j-2} \times \Psi(\nabla u, \nabla v) dx \quad (3.4)$$

where

$$\Psi(\nabla u, \nabla v) = d_1 K^{(j+2)^2} |\nabla u|^2 + (d_1 + d_4) K^{(j+1)^2} \nabla u \nabla v + d_4 K^{j^2} |\nabla v|^2$$

The quadratic forms are positive since :

$$((d_1 + d_4) K^{(j+1)^2})^2 - 4d_1 d_4 K^{j^2} K^{(j+2)^2} \leq 0 \quad j = 0, \dots, p-2 \quad (3.5)$$

$$\text{Using the relation } K \geq \max\left(\frac{d_1+d_4}{2\sqrt[3]{d_1 d_4}}, \frac{d_2+d_3}{2\sqrt[3]{d_3 d_2}}\right)$$

Then

$$I \leq 0 \quad (3.6)$$

By a simple use of Green's formula we have:

$$J = - \int_{\Omega} \left( D |\nabla v|^2 + E \nabla v \nabla u + F |\nabla u|^2 \right) dx \quad (3.7)$$

where:

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_2 i (p-i) C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

$$E = \sum_{i=2}^p d_2 i (i-1) C_p^i K^{i^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_3 (p-i) (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

$$F = \sum_{i=2}^p d_3 (i-1) (p-i+1) C_p^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i}$$

Using the relation (3.2) we get

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_2 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{i^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

$$E = \sum_{i=2}^p d_2 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{i^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} d_3 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-1} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-1} v^{p-i-1}$$

$$E_1 + E_2$$

and

$$F = \sum_{i=2}^p d_3 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^{i-2} K^{(i-1)^2} u^{i-2} v^{p-i}$$

putting :  $j = i - 1$  , we have :

$$D = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_2 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+1)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

$$E_2 = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_3 p (p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{j^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

and putting :  $j = i - 2$  , we get :

$$E_1 = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_2 p(p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+2)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

$$F = \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} d_3 p(p-1) C_{p-2}^j K^{(j+1)^2} u^j v^{p-j-2}$$

Then :

$$J = -p(p-1) \sum_{j=0}^{p-2} C_{p-2}^j \int_{\Omega} u^j v^{p-j-2} \times \Phi(\nabla v, \nabla u) dx \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$\Phi(\nabla v, \nabla u) = d_2 K^{(j+1)^2} |\nabla v|^2 + (d_2 K^{(j+2)^2} + d_3 K^{j^2}) \nabla v \nabla u + d_3 K^{(j+1)^2} |\nabla u|^2$$

The quadratic forms are positive since :

$$((d_2 K^{(j+2)^2} + d_3 K^{j^2}))^2 - 4d_2 d_3 K^{(j+1)^2} K^{(j+1)^2} \leq 0 \quad j = 0, \dots, p-2 \tag{3.9}$$

Using the relation  $K \geq \max(\frac{d_1+d_4}{2\sqrt[3]{d_1 d_4}}, \frac{d_2+d_3}{2\sqrt[3]{d_3 d_2}})$

Then

$$J \leq 0 \tag{3.10}$$

Using the relation (3.2), in the third integral, yields :

$$H = \int_{\Omega} \left[ p \sum_{i=1}^p (K^{i^2} f(u, v) + K^{(i-1)^2} g(u, v)) C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \right] dx$$

Using the relation(1.5) we deduce

$$H \leq c_3 \int_{\Omega} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p (u + v + 1) C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \right] dx$$

To prove that the functional  $L$  is uniformly bounded on the interval  $[0, T^*]$  first we write

$$L'(t) \leq c_3 \int_{\Omega} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^i v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=1}^p C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^{i-1} v^{p-i+1} + \sum_{i=1}^p C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^{i-1} v^{p-i} \right] dx$$

$$L'(t) \leq c_3 \int_{\Omega} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p C_{p-1}^{i-1} u^i v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} C_{p-1}^i u^i v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} C_{p-1}^i u^i v^{p-i-1} \right] dx$$

$$L'(t) \leq c_3 \int_{\Omega} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^p C_p^i u^i v^{p-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} C_{p-1}^i u^i v^{p-i-1} \right] dx$$

Using the fact that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} C_{p-1}^i u^i v^{p-i-1} = (u + v)^{p-1}$$

Therefore, the last inequality can be written as

$$L'(t) \leq c_1(p)L(t) + c_3 \int_{\Omega} (u + v)^{p-1}$$

Applying Hölder's inequality to the second term in the right hand side of the above inequality, we obtain

$$L'(t) \leq c_1(p)L(t) + c_3(\text{mes}\Omega)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{\Omega} (u + v)^p dx \right)^{\frac{(p-1)}{p}}$$

Since the following inequality holds,

$$(u + v)^p = \sum_{i=0}^p C_p^i u^i v^{p-i} \leq \frac{\sup_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i}{\min_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i K^{i^2}} \sum_{i=0}^p C_p^i K^{i^2} u^i v^{p-i}$$

Then, we have

$$L'(t) \leq c_1(p)L(t) + c_3(\text{mes}\Omega)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{\sup_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i}{\min_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i K^{i^2}} \right)^{\frac{(p-1)}{p}} (L(t))^{\frac{(p-1)}{p}} \quad \forall t < T_{\max}$$

Hence,  $L(t)$  the functional satisfies the following differential inequality:

$$L'(t) \leq c_1(p)L(t) + c_2(p)(L(t))^{\frac{(p-1)}{p}} \quad \forall t < T_{\max}$$

where

$$c_2(p) = c_3(\text{mes}\Omega)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{\sup_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i}{\min_{0 \leq i \leq p} C_p^i K^{i^2}} \right)^{\frac{(p-1)}{p}}$$

which gives us, by a simple integration

$$(L(t))^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left[ (L(0))^{\frac{1}{p}} + \frac{c'_2(p)}{c'_1(p)} \right] \exp(c'_1(p)t) - \frac{c'_2(p)}{c'_1(p)} \tag{3.11}$$

where

$$c'_1(p) = \frac{c_1(p)}{p} \quad c'_2(p) = \frac{c_2(p)}{p}$$

By using the inequality

$$L(t) = \int_{\Omega} \left( \sum_{i=0}^p C_p^i K^{i^2} u^i v^{p-i} \right) dx \geq \int_{\Omega} (C_p^p K^{p^2} u^p + C_p^0 K^{0^2} v^p) dx$$

it follows that

$$L(t) \geq \min(C_p^0 K^{0^2}, C_p^p K^{p^2}) \sup \left( \int_{\Omega} u^p dx, \int_{\Omega} v^p dx \right)$$

Hence,

$$(L(t))^{\frac{1}{p}} \geq [\min(C_p^0 K^{0^2}, C_p^p K^{p^2})]^{\frac{1}{p}} \sup \left( \left( \int_{\Omega} u^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \left( \int_{\Omega} v^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right)$$

And therefore,

$$\sup (\|u(t, \cdot)\|_p, \|v(t, \cdot)\|_p) \leq \frac{(L(t))^{\frac{1}{p}}}{[\min(C_p^0 K^{0^2}, C_p^p K^{p^2})]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \quad \forall t < T_{\max} \tag{3.12}$$

With (3.11) and (3.12) we obtain :

$$\sup(\|u(t, \cdot)\|_p, \|v(t, \cdot)\|_p) \leq c(t) \quad \forall t < T_{\max} \tag{3.13}$$

where

$$c(t) = \frac{1}{[\min(C_p^0 K^{0^2}, C_p^p K^{p^2})]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left\{ \left[ (L(0))^{\frac{1}{p}} + \frac{c'_2(p)}{c'_1(p)} \right] \exp(c'_1(p)t) - \frac{c'_2(p)}{c'_1(p)} \right\}$$

The proof of Lemma 3.1 is complete.

**Proof of theorem 3.1**

From (1.6) we have

$$\sup(|f(u, v)|, |g(u, v)|) \leq c_2 (u + v + 1)^m$$

Then, it follows that

$$\sup\left(\int_{\Omega} |f(u, v)|^{\frac{p}{m}} dx, \int_{\Omega} |g(u, v)|^{\frac{p}{m}} dx\right) \leq c_2^{\frac{p}{m}} \int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx$$

which implies :

$$\sup(\|f(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}, \|g(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}) \leq c_2^{\frac{p}{m}} \int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx \tag{3.14}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{k=0}^p C_p^k (u + v)^k dx$$

$$\int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx = \int_{\Omega} [1 + (u + v)^p] dx + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} C_p^k \int_{\Omega} (u + v)^k$$

An application of Hölder's inequality leads

$$\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} C_p^k \int_{\Omega} (u + v)^k \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} C_p^k \left[ \int_{\Omega} \left(1^{\frac{p}{p-k}} dx\right)^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} \left(\int_{\Omega} (u + v)^p dx\right)^{\frac{k}{p}} \right]$$

Hence

$$\int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx \leq \text{mes}(\Omega) + \int_{\Omega} (u + v)^p dx + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} C_p^k \left[ (\text{mes}(\Omega))^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} \left(\int_{\Omega} (u + v)^p dx\right)^{\frac{k}{p}} \right] \tag{1}$$

using (3.13) we get:

$$\left(\int_{\Omega} (u + v)^p dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \|u(t, \cdot) + v(t, \cdot)\|_p \leq \|u(t, \cdot)\|_p + \|v(t, \cdot)\|_p \leq 2c(t)$$

and the inequality (3.15) can be written as follows

$$\int_{\Omega} (u + v + 1)^p dx \leq \text{mes}(\Omega) + 2^p(c(t))^p + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} C_p^k [(\text{mes}(\Omega))^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} (2c(t))^k]$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=0}^p C_p^k [(\text{mes}(\Omega))^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} (2c(t))^k]$$

Therefore

$$\sup(\|f(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}, \|g(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}) \leq c^{\frac{p}{m}} \sum_{k=0}^p C_p^k [(mes(\Omega))^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} (2c(t))^k] \quad (3.16)$$

which gives that

$$\sup(\|f(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}, \|g(u, v)\|_{\frac{p}{m}}) \leq c_{p,m}(t) \quad \forall t < T_{\max} \quad (3.17)$$

where

$$c_{p,m}(t) = c \left[ \sum_{k=0}^p 2^k C_p^k [(mes(\Omega))^{\frac{(p-k)}{p}} (c(t))^k] \right]^{\frac{p}{m}}$$

### Remark 3.1

From both Lemma 3.1 and Theorem 3.1, we have obtained an uniform estimate of  $\sup(\|f(u, v)\|_q, \|g(u, v)\|_q)$  with  $q = p/m > n/2$ . By the preliminary remarks, we conclude that the solution of the given problem exists globally in time.

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