



A global attractor for the plate equation with displacement-dependent damping

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ABSTRACT

We study the long-time behaviour of solutions of the plate equation with nonlinear damping coefficient. We prove under suitable conditions that this equation possesses a global attractor.

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1. Introduction

In this paper, we are interested in the long-time behaviour (in terms of attractors) of the solutions of the following plate equation in R^3 :

$$u_{tt} + \sigma(u)u_t + \Delta^2 u + \lambda u + f(u) = g(x). \quad (1.1)$$

The attractors for the wave equation in the form

$$u_{tt} + \sigma(u)u_t - \Delta u + f(u) = g(x), \quad (t, x) \in (0, \infty) \times \Omega \quad (1.2)$$

were studied in [1–5]. In the case when $\Omega = (0, \pi)$ the existence of global and exponential attractors for (1.2) with the homogeneous Dirichlet boundary condition was proved in [1], assuming conditions

$$f \in C^1(R), \quad \liminf_{|u| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(u)}{u} > -1,$$

and

$$\sigma \in C^1(R), \quad \sigma(u) > 0, \quad \forall u \in R.$$

For the two-dimensional case, the attractors for (1.2) were investigated in [2], under the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} f \in C^1(R), \quad \liminf_{|u| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(u)}{u} > -\lambda_1, \quad \text{where } \lambda_1 = \inf_{\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega), \varphi \neq 0} \frac{\|\nabla \varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2}{\|\varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2}, \\ |f'(u)| \leq c(1 + |u|^p), \quad \forall u \in R, \quad 0 \leq p < \infty, \\ f'(u) \geq -l, \quad \forall u \in R \\ \sigma \in C^1(R), \quad 0 < \sigma_0 \leq \sigma(u) \leq c(1 + |u|^q), \quad \forall u \in R, \quad 0 \leq q < \infty, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

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