# Exponential attractors and inertial manifolds for the higher-order nonlinear Kirchhoff-type equation

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*Abstract*— In this paper, we consider the higher-order Kirchhoff-type equation with nonlinear strongly dissipation:

$$u_{tt} + (-\Delta)^{m} u_{t} + \phi \left( \left\| \nabla^{m} u \right\|^{2} \right) (-\Delta)^{m} u + g(u) = f(x)$$

in n dimensional space. The squeezing property of the nonlinear semi-group associated with this equation and the existence of exponential attractors are proved. The inertial manifolds are also estimated. The main result is that the nonlinear g(u) and damping coefficient  $\phi(s)$  meet

conditions 
$$0 ,  $n \ge 3$ , and  
 $\varepsilon \le m_0 \le \phi(s) \le m_1 = \frac{2\mu_1 - 1}{4}$ . In this case, exponential$$

attractors and inertial manifolds are established.

*Index Terms*— Higher-order; Squeezing property; Exponential attractors; Inertial manifold.

# I. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we research the existence of exponential attractors and inertial manifolds for the higher-order Kirchhoff-type equation with nonlinear strongly dissipation:

$$u_{tt} + (-\Delta)^{m} u_{t} + \phi \Big( \left\| \nabla^{m} u \right\|^{2} \Big) (-\Delta)^{m} u + g(u) = f(x),$$
(1.1)

 $x \in \Omega$ , t>0,m>1

$$u(x,t) = 0, \qquad \frac{\partial^{i} u}{\partial v^{i}} = 0, \quad i=1,2,\dots,m-1, x \in \partial\Omega, t>0$$
(1.2)

$$u(x,0) = u_0(x), \qquad u_t(x,0) = u_1(x)$$
 (1.3)

Where  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , with a smooth Dirichlet boundary  $\partial \Omega$  and initial data, the damping coefficient is function of the  $L_2$ -norm of the gradient m power, g(u) is a

nonlinear forcing,  $(-\Delta)^m u_t$  is a strongly dissipation.

As well as we known, the exponential attractors and inertial manifolds occupies a significant position in the study of the long-time behavior of infinite-dimensional dynamical system, because of exponential attractors possess a deeper and more practical property, it is a compact invariant and exponentially attractor all the orbits of the solution.

While an inertial manifold is a finite-dimension invariant Lipschitz surface in the phase space of the system attracting all trajectories at an exponential rate. It play an important role between infinite-dimensional dynamical system and finite-dimensional dynamical system.

In [1], Zheng Songmu and Albert Milani studied the exponential attractors and inertial manifolds for the following singular perturbations of Cahn-Hilliard equations in one dimensional of space

$$\varepsilon u_{tt} + u_t + \Delta(\Delta u - u^3 + u - \delta u_t) = 0, \qquad (1.4)$$

where  $\varepsilon \ge 0, \delta \ge 0$ . Their results allow that the dynamical systems generated by these two problems admit exponential attractors and inertial manifolds in the phase space  $H_0^1 \times H^{-1}(0, \pi)$ .

In [2], Jingzhu Wu and Guoguang Lin research the existence of inertial manifolds of two-dimensional strong damping Boussinesq equation while  $\alpha > 2$ .

$$u_{tt} - \alpha \Delta u_{t} - \Delta u + u^{2k+1} = f(x, y),$$
  
(x, y)  $\in \Omega$ , (1.5)

$$u(x, y, 0) = u_0(x, y), (x, y) \in \Omega,$$
 (1.6)

$$u(x, y, t) = u(x + \pi, y, t)$$
(1.7)

$$= u(x, y + \pi, t) = 0, (x, y) \in \Omega$$

Where  $\Omega = (0, \pi) \times (0, \pi) \subset R \times R, t > 0.$ 

Recently, in [3], Zhijian Yang, Zhiming Liu study the existence of exponential attractor for the Kirchhoff equations with strong nonlinear damping and supercritical nonlinearity  $u = \sigma(||\nabla u||^2) \Delta u = \phi(||\nabla u||^2) \Delta u + f(u)$ 

$$u_{tt} - \sigma(\|\nabla u\|) \Delta u_t - \phi(\|\nabla u\|) \Delta u + f(u)$$

$$= h(x).$$
(1.8)

$$u \mid \alpha = 0, \ u(x,0) = u_0(x),$$
  
$$u_t(x,0) = u_1(x), \ x \in \Omega.$$
 (1.9)

Where  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain in  $\Box^N$  with the smooth boundary  $\partial \Omega$ , the nonlinear functions  $\sigma(s), \phi(s)$  and f(u) and the external force term *h* will be specified later.

They acquire an exponential attractor in natural energy space by using a new method based on the weak quasi-stability estimates (rather than the strong one as usual). Chueshov[4] first studies the existence and uniqueness of solution and global attractors for problem(1.8)-(1.9). His results show that the growth exponential p of the

nonlinearity term f(u) need to be satisfied:  $p_1 ,$ 

with 
$$p_1 = \frac{N+2}{(N-2)^+}$$
,  $p_2 = \frac{N+4}{(N-4)^+}$ . However, when  $p \le p_1$ ,

he obtained an exponential attractor by virtue of the strong quasi-

stability estimates.

Ke Li, Zhijian Yang[5] studied the exponential attractors for the strongly damped wave equation

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$$u_{tt} - \Delta u_{t} - \Delta u + \varphi(u) = f, \qquad (1.10)$$

$$u(0) = u_0, u_t(0) = u_t, \tag{1.11}$$

$$\boldsymbol{u}|_{\alpha\alpha} = \mathbf{0},\tag{1.12}$$

Where 
$$f \in L^2(\Omega), \varphi \in C^2(\Omega), \varphi(0) = 0$$
.

 $(A_1) \lim_{|r| \to \infty} \inf \varphi'(r) > -\lambda_1, r \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda_1 \text{ is the first eigenvalue}$ 

of  $-\Delta$  with Dirichlet boundary condition, and  $\varphi$  is of critical growth.

$$(A_2)\varphi''(r) \le c(1+|r|^3), r \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Under suitable assumption  $(A_1), (A_2)$ . They obtain exponential attractor by the l-trajectories method, and they give an explicit upper bound of the fractal dimension of the exponential attractor.

The problem (1.10)-(1.12) was studied by Meihua Yang and Chunyou Sun in [6] when their assumption respectively are:  $(H_1)\varphi \in C^1(R), \varphi(0) = 0;$ 

$$(H_2) \text{ growth condition } |\varphi'(s)| \le c(1+|s|^p);$$
  
$$(H_3) \liminf_{|s|\to\infty} \frac{\varphi(s)}{s} > -\lambda_1, 0 \le p \le 4.$$

They result allow that for each T > 0 fixed, there is a bound (in  $H^2 \times H^1$ ) set which attracts exponentially every  $H^1 \times L^2$ bounded set w.r.t the stronger  $H^1 \times H^1$ -norm for all  $t \ge T$  and has finite fractal dimension in  $H_0^1 \times H_0^1$  for the case  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ 

Guigui Xu, Libo Wang and Guoguang Lin [7] studied global attractor and inertial manifold for the strongly damped wave equation

$$u_{tt} - \alpha \Delta u + \beta \Delta^{2} u - \gamma \Delta u_{t} + g(u) = f(x, t),$$
  
(x,t)  $\in \Omega \times R^{+},$  (1.13)

$$u(x,0) = u_0(x), u_t(x,0) = u_1(x), x \in \Omega,$$
(1.14)

$$u|_{\alpha\Omega} = 0, \Delta u |\partial\Omega = 0, (x,t) \in \partial\Omega \times R^+.$$
(1.15)

They give assumption for the nonlinearity term g satisfies the following inequality:

$$(H_1) \lim_{|s| \to \infty} \inf \frac{G(s)}{s^2} \ge 0, s \in R, G(s) = \int_0^s g(r) dr.$$

 $(H_2)$  There is some positive constant  $C_1$  such that

$$\lim_{|s|\to\infty}\inf\frac{sg(s)-C_1G(s)}{s^2}\ge 0, s\in R.$$

Under suitable assumption, they prove the dynamical system admits the inertial manifold by using the Hadamard's graph transformation method.

More research on exponential attractors and inertial manifolds, we can refer to literature [8-12].

In the present paper, the existence of the exponential attractor is easily to be proved. Concerning the inertial manifold, there exist lots of difficulties in the process of existence of inertial manifolds, in order to overcome the difficulties, we take advantage of Hadamard's graph transformation method. As a graph of a Lipschitz continuous function defined over a finite-dimensional subspace of X. Following Robinson [11], we first transform equation (1.1) into an equivalent first-order system of the form.

$$U_t + AU = F(U), \quad U \in \mathbf{X}$$
(1.16)

So as to conquer the difficulties, we need some reasonable assumption in literature [12], now, we will need the assumption of display as follows:

(1) 
$$g(u) \le C(1 + |u|^{p}), \ 0 
(2)  $\phi(s) \in C^{1}(R);$   
(3)  $\varepsilon \le m_{0} \le \phi(s) \le m_{1} = \frac{2\mu_{1} - 1}{4}$   
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$$(4) (\phi - \gamma) (\nabla^m u, \nabla^m v) \ge (\nabla^m u, \nabla^m v), \ \gamma \in (\varepsilon, m_0);$$

The main contributions of this paper are: (a) the problem considered in this paper is higher-order nonlinear equation with strongly damping term and this problem is representative; (b) the estimates are precise and the proofs are understood easily.

This paper is arranged as follows. In section 2, some notations and basic concepts are established. In section 3, it is proved that the exponential attractor exists. In section 4, we will discuss the existence of inertial manifolds.

### II. PRELIMINARIES

For convenience, we first introduce the following notations:  $H = L^{2}(\Omega), V_{1} = H_{0}^{m}(\Omega) \times L^{2}(\Omega),$ 

$$V_2=(H^{^{2m}}(\Omega)\cap H^1_0(\Omega))\times H^m_0(\Omega),$$

 $c_i$  (*i* = 0, 1, 2...) denote various positive constants and they may be different at each appearance. where (., .) and  $\|.\|$  are the inner product and norm of H. The inner product and the

the inner product and norm of H. The inner product and th norm in V<sub>1</sub> space is defined as follows:  $\forall U_i \in (u_i, v_i) \in V_i, i = 1, 2$ , we have

$$(U_1, U_2) = (\nabla^m u_1, \nabla^m u_2) + (v_1, v_2)$$
(2.1)

$$U \Big\|_{V_1}^2 = (U, U)_{V_1} = \left\| \nabla^m u \right\|^2 + \left\| v \right\|^2$$
(2.2)

Let  $U = (u, v) \in V_1, v = u_t + \varepsilon u$ ,

$$\frac{\gamma + \lambda_1^{-m}}{3} \le \varepsilon \le \min\left\{\frac{\gamma}{\lambda_1^{\frac{m}{2}} + 2}, \sqrt[4]{2}\lambda_1^{\frac{m}{4}}\right\} \quad \text{Equation} \quad (1.1) \quad \text{is}$$

equivalent to the following the evolution equation

$$U_t + AU = F(U), \tag{2.3}$$
 with

$$U = (u, v) \in V_1, v = u_t + \varepsilon u,$$
(2.4)

$$AU = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon u - v \\ \varepsilon^2 u - \varepsilon v + (-\Delta)^m v + (\phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2) - \varepsilon)(-\Delta)^m u \end{pmatrix},$$
(2.5)

$$F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ f(x) - g(u) \end{pmatrix}$$
(2.6)

We will use the following notations, let  $V_1, V_2$  are two Hilbert spaces, we have  $V_1 \mapsto V_2$  with dense and continuous injection, and  $V_1 \mapsto V_2$  is compact. Let S(t) is a map from  $V_i$  into  $V_i$ , i = 1, 2.

**Definition 2.1.**<sup>[15]</sup> The semi-group S(t) possesses a  $(V_2, V_1)$  -compact attractor A, If it exists a compact set  $A \subset V_1$ , A attracts all bounded subsets of  $V_2$ , and  $S(t)A = A, \forall t \ge 0$ .

**Definition 2.2.**<sup>[16]</sup> A compact set M is called a  $(V_2, V_1)$ -exponential attractor for the system (S(t), B), if  $A \subseteq M \subseteq B$  and

1)  $S(t)M \subseteq M, \forall t \ge 0$ ,

2) *M* has finite fractal dimension,  $d_f(M) < +\infty$ ;

3) there exist positive constants  $c_2, c_3$  such that  $dist(S(t)B, M) \le c_2 e^{-c_3 t}, t > 0,$ 

where  $dist_{V_1}(A, B) = \sup_{x \in A} \inf_{y \in B} |x - y|_{V_1}, B \subset V_1$  is a

positive invariant set of S(t).

**Definition 2.3.**<sup>[16]</sup> S(t) is said to satisfy the discrete squeezing property on *B* if there exists an orthogonal projection  $P_N$  of rank *N* such that for every *u* and *v* in *B*, either

$$|S(t_*)u - S(t_*)v|_{V_1} \le \delta |u - v|_{V_1}, \delta \in (0, \frac{1}{8}),$$

or

$$\left| Q_N(S(t_*)u - S(t_*)v) \right|_{V_1} \le \left| P_N(S(t_*)u - S(t_*)v) \right|_{V_1},$$

where  $Q_N = I - P_N$ .

**Theorem 2.1**. Assume that

1) S(t) possesses a  $(V_2, V_1)$ -compact attractor A;

2) it exists a positive invariant compact set  $B \subset V_1$  of S(t);

3) S(t) is a Lipschitz continuous map with Lipschitz constant l on B, and satisfies the discrete squeezing property on B.

Then S(t) has a  $(V_2, V_1)$  -exponential attractor  $M \supseteq A \text{ on } B$ , and  $M = \bigcup_{\substack{0 \le t \le t_*}} S(t)M_*$ ,

 $M_* = A \bigcup (\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} S(t_*)^j (E^{(k)})).$  Moreover, the fractal

dimension of *M* satisfies  $d_f(M) \le cN_0 + 1$ , where  $N_0, E^{(\kappa)}$  are defined as in [17].

**Proposition 2.1.**<sup>[16]</sup> There is  $t_0(B_0)$  such that  $B = \bigcup_{0 \le t \le t_0} S(t)B_0$  is the positive invariant set of S(t) in  $V_1$ ,

and B attracts all bounded subsets of  $V_2$ , where  $B_0$  is a closed bounded absorbing set for S(t) in  $V_2$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $B_0$ ,  $B_1$  respectively are closed bounded absorbing set of (2.3) in  $V_2$ ,  $V_1$ , then S(t) possesses a  $(V_2, V_1)$ -compact attractor A. **Definition 2.4**.<sup>[18]</sup> An inertial manifold  $\mu$  is a finite-dimensional manifold enjoying the following three properties:

1)  $\mu$  is Lipschitz,

2)  $\mu$  is positively invariant for the semi-group  $\{S(t)\}_{t>0}$ , i.e.  $S(t)\mu \subset \mu$ ,  $\forall t \ge 0$ ,

3)  $\mu$  attracts exponentially all the orbits of the solution.

**Definition 2.5**.<sup>[13]</sup> Let  $A : X \to X$  be an operator and assume that  $F \in C_b(X, X)$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition  $\|F(U) - F(V)\|_X \le l_F \|U - V\|_X$ ,  $U, V \in X$ .

The operator A is said to satisfy the spectral gap condition relative to F, if the point spectrum of the operator A can be divided into two parts  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ , of which  $\sigma_1$  is finite, and such that, if

$$\Lambda_1 = \sup\{\operatorname{Re} \lambda | \lambda \in \sigma_1\}, \quad \Lambda_2 = \inf\{\operatorname{Re} \lambda | \lambda \in \sigma_2\}, \quad (2.7)$$
  
and

$$X_i = span\{\omega_j \mid j \in \sigma_i\}, i = 1, 2.$$
(2.8)

Then

$$\Lambda_2 - \Lambda_1 > 4l_F \tag{2.9}$$

and the orthogonal decomposition

$$X = X_1 \oplus X_2 \tag{2.10}$$

holds with continuous orthogonal projections  $P_1: X \to X_1$ and  $P_2: X \to X_2$ .

**Lemma 2.1.**<sup>[1]</sup> Let the eigenvalues  $\mu_j^{\pm}$ ,  $j \ge 1$  be arranged in nondecreasing order, for all  $m \in N$ , there is  $N \ge m$  such that  $\mu_N^-$  and  $\mu_{N+1}^-$  are consecutive.

# **III. EXPONENTIAL ATTRACTORS**

**Theorem 3.1.**<sup>[14]</sup> Under of the proper assume for  $g(u), \phi(u)$ , the initial boundary value problem (1.1)-(1.3) with Dirichlet boundary exists unique smooth solution. This solution possesses the following properties:

$$\begin{split} \left\| (u,v) \right\|_{V_1}^2 &= \left\| \nabla^m u \right\|^2 + \left\| v \right\|^2 \le c(R_0), \\ \left\| (u,v) \right\|_{V_2}^2 &= \left\| \Delta^m u \right\|^2 + \left\| \nabla^m v \right\|^2 \le c(R_1). \end{split}$$

We denote the solution in Theorem 2.1, by  $S(t)(u_0, v_0) = (u(t), v(t))$ , the S(t) is a continuous semi-group in  $V_1$ , we have the ball:

$$\begin{split} B_1 &= \{(u,v) \in V_1 : \left\| (u,v) \right\|_{V_1}^2 \le c(R_0) \}, \\ B_0 &= \{(u,v) \in V_2 : \left\| (u,v) \right\|_{V_2}^2 \le c(R_1) \}. \end{split}$$

Respectively is a absorbing set of S(t) in  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

**Lemma 3.1**. For any  $U = (u, v) \in V_1$ , we have

$$(AU, U) \ge k_1 \|U\|_{V_1}^2 + k_2 \|\nabla^m v\|^2.$$

Proof. By (2.1) and (2.2), we obtain

$$(AU,U) = (\nabla^{m}(\varepsilon u - v), \nabla^{m}u) + (A, v)$$
  
=  $\varepsilon \|\nabla^{m}u\|^{2} - (\nabla^{m}v, \nabla^{m}u) + (A, v)$  (3.1)

Where 
$$A = -\varepsilon v + \varepsilon^2 u + (\phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2) - \varepsilon)(-\Delta)^m u + (-\Delta)^m v$$
  
 $(A, v) = (-\varepsilon v + \varepsilon^2 u + (\phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2) - \varepsilon)(-\Delta)^m u + (-\Delta)^m v, v)$   
 $= -\varepsilon \|v\|^2 + \varepsilon^2 (u, v) + (\phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2) - \varepsilon)(\nabla^m u, \nabla^m v) + \|\nabla^m v\|^2$ 
(3.2)

By using a new hypothesis (4). Holder inequality, Young's inequality and Poincare inequality, we can work out the following terms

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\phi(\left\|\nabla^{m}u\right\|^{2}) - \varepsilon\right)(\nabla^{m}u, \nabla^{m}v) \\ &= (\phi - \gamma)(\nabla^{m}u, \nabla^{m}v) + (\gamma - \varepsilon)(\nabla^{m}u, \nabla^{m}v) \\ &\geq (\nabla^{m}u, \nabla^{m}v) + \frac{\gamma - \varepsilon}{2}\lambda_{1}^{-\frac{m}{2}} \|v\|^{2} - \frac{\gamma - \varepsilon}{2} \|\nabla^{m}u\|^{2} \\ &\varepsilon^{2}(u, v) \geq -\varepsilon^{2}\lambda_{1}^{-m} \|\nabla^{m}u\| \|\nabla^{m}v\| \end{aligned}$$
(3.3)

$$\geq -\varepsilon^{2} \lambda_{1}^{m} \left( \frac{1}{2\varepsilon^{2}} \left\| \nabla^{m} u \right\|^{2} + \frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{2} \left\| \nabla^{m} v \right\|^{2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{1}^{m} \left\| \nabla^{m} u \right\|^{2} - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{1}^{m} \varepsilon^{4} \left\| \nabla^{m} v \right\|^{2}$$

$$(3.4)$$

Where  $\lambda_1 (> 0)$  is the first eigenvalue of the operator  $-\Delta$ .

To sum up (3.2)-(3.4), we can receive

$$(AU,U) \ge \left(\frac{\gamma-\varepsilon}{2}\lambda_{1}^{\frac{m}{2}}-\varepsilon\right)\left\|v\right\|^{2} + \left(\frac{3\varepsilon-\gamma}{2}-\frac{\lambda_{1}^{-m}}{2}\right)\left\|\nabla^{m}u\right\|^{2}$$
  
+  $\left(1-\frac{\lambda_{1}^{-m}\varepsilon^{4}}{2}\right)\left\|\nabla^{m}v\right\|^{2}$   
$$\frac{\gamma+\lambda_{1}^{-m}}{3} \le \varepsilon \le \min\left\{\frac{\gamma}{\lambda_{1}^{2}+2}, \frac{4\sqrt{2}\lambda_{1}^{\frac{m}{4}}}{\lambda_{1}^{2}+2}\right\}$$

then

$$\left(\frac{\gamma-\varepsilon}{2}\lambda_{1}^{\frac{m}{2}}-\varepsilon\right) \ge 0, \left(\frac{3\varepsilon-\gamma}{2}-\frac{\lambda_{1}^{-m}}{2}\right) \ge 0, \left(1-\frac{\lambda_{1}^{-m}\varepsilon^{4}}{2}\right) \ge 0$$

so, we can obtain

$$(AU, U) \ge k_1 \|U\|_{V_1}^2 + k_2 \|\nabla^m v\|^2$$
,  
where

$$k_1 = \min\{\left(\frac{\gamma - \varepsilon}{2}\lambda_1^{\frac{m}{2}} - \varepsilon\right), \left(\frac{3\varepsilon - \gamma}{2} - \frac{\lambda_1^{-m}}{2}\right)\}, k_2 = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_1^{-m}\varepsilon^4}{2}\right) \ge 0$$
  
The proved is ended.

Let

$$S(t)U_0 = U(t) = (u(t), v(t))^T$$
, where  $v = u_t(t) + \varepsilon u(t)$ ;  
 $S(t)V_0 = V(t) = (\tilde{u}(t), \tilde{v}(t))^T$ , where  $\tilde{v} = \tilde{u}_t(t) + \varepsilon \tilde{u}(t)$ ;  
Set

$$W(t) = S(t)U_0 - S(t)V_0 = U(t) - V(t) = (w(t), z(t))^T,$$
  
where  $z(t) = w_t(t) + \varepsilon w(t)$ , then  $W(t)$  satisfies:

$$W_{t}(t) + AU - AV + (0, g(u) - g(\tilde{u}))^{T} = 0, \qquad (3.5)$$

$$W(0) = U_0 - V_0. (3.6)$$

For the sake of attesting (1.1)-(1.3) has a exponential attractor, we first prove the dynamical system S(t) of (1.1)-(1.3) is Lipschitz continuous on B.

Lemma 3.2. (Lipschitz property) For any  $U_0, V_0 \in B, T \ge 0$ , we have

$$\left\|S(t)U_0 - S(t)V_0\right\|_{V_1}^2 \le e^{kt} \left\|U_0 - V_0\right\|_{V_1}^2.$$

Proof. Applying the inner product of the equation (3.7) with W(t) in  $V_1$ , we discover that

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}\|W(t)\|^2 + (AU - AV, W(t)) + (z(t), g(u) - g(\tilde{u})) = 0$$
(3.7)

Similar to Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$(AU - AV, W(t))_{V_1} \ge k_1 \left\| W(t) \right\|_{V_1}^2 + k_2 \left\| \nabla^m z(t) \right\|_{V_1}^2.$$
(3.8)

Using Young's inequality, Poincare inequality and Lagrange mean value theorem, we have 11.11 . ...

$$\begin{split} \left| (g(u) - g(\tilde{u}), z(t)) \right| &\leq \left| g'(\xi) \right| \left\| w(t) \right\| \left\| z(t) \right\| \\ &\leq c_4 \lambda_1^{-\frac{m}{2}} \left\| \nabla^m w(t) \right\| \left\| z(t) \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{c_4 \lambda_1^{-\frac{m}{2}}}{2} \left( \left\| \nabla^m w(t) \right\|^2 + \left\| z(t) \right\|^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{c_4 \lambda_1^{-\frac{m}{2}}}{2} \left\| W(t) \right\|^2 . \end{split}$$
(3.9)

So we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left\| W(t) \right\|^{2} + 2k_{1} \left\| W(t) \right\|^{2} + 2 \left\| \nabla^{m} z(t) \right\|^{2} \\ \leq c_{4} \lambda_{1}^{\frac{-m}{2}} \left\| W(t) \right\|^{2}.$$
(3.10)

By using Gronwall inequality, we obtain

$$\left\|W(t)\right\|^{2} \leq e^{C_{4}\lambda_{1}^{\frac{-m}{2}}} \left\|W(0)\right\|^{2} = e^{kt} \left\|W(0)\right\|^{2}, \qquad (3.11)$$

where  $k = c_4 \lambda_1^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , so we have

$$\left\| S(t)U_0 - S(t)V_0 \right\|_{V_1}^2 \le e^{kt} \left\| U_0 - V_0 \right\|_{V_1}^2.$$
  
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Now, we define the operator  $A = -\Delta : D(A) \rightarrow H$ ;  $D(A) = \{ u \in H \mid A^m u \in H \}.$ Obviously, A is an unbounded self-adjoint positive operator

and  $A^{-1}$  is compact, we find by elementary spectral theory the existence of an orthogonal basis of H consisting of eigenvectors

 $\omega_i$  of A such that

$$\begin{split} A\omega_j &= \lambda_j \omega_j \Box \quad 0 < \lambda_1 \le \lambda_2 \le \cdots \le \lambda_j \to +\infty \,. \\ \forall N \text{ denote by } P &= P_n : \text{ H} \to \text{span} \{ \omega_1, \cdots , \omega_N \} \text{ the projector }. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} &Q = Q_N = I - P_N \,. \\ &\text{Next, we will use} \\ &\left\| A^m u \right\| = \left\| \left( -\Delta \right)^m u \right\| \ge \lambda_{n+1} \left\| u \right\|, \forall u \in Q_n (H^{2m}(\Omega) \cap H^1_0(\Omega)), \\ &\left\| Q_n u \right\| \le \left\| u \right\|, u \in H \end{split}$$

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**Lemma 3.3.** For any  $U_0, V_0 \in B$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{n_0}(t) &= Q_{n_0}(U(t) - V(t)) = Q_{n_0}W(t) = (w_{n_0}, z_{n_0})^T \text{, then} \\ \left\| W_{n_0}(t) \right\|_{V_*}^2 &\le (e^{-2k_1t} + \frac{c_4\lambda_{n_0+1}^{-\frac{m}{2}}}{2k_1 + k}e^{kt}) \left\| W(0) \right\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Detailed proof of Lemma 3.3, please refer to Lemma 3.3 of literature [11]; so we will omit it.

**Lemma 3.4.** (Discrete squeezing property) For  
any 
$$U_0, V_0 \in B$$
, if  
 $\left\| P_{n_0}(S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0) \right\|_{V_1} \le \left\| (I - P_{n_0})(S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0) \right\|_{V_1}$ 

then we have

$$\left\| S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0 \right\|_{V_1} \le \frac{1}{8} \left\| U_0 - V_0 \right\|_{V_1}.$$

Proof. If

$$\left\|P_{n_0}(S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0)\right\|_{V_1} \le \left\|(I - P_{n_0})(S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0)\right\|_{V_1}$$

then

$$\begin{split} \left\| S(T^{*})U_{0} - S(T^{*})V_{0} \right\|^{2} \\ &\leq \left\| (I - P_{n_{0}})(S(T^{*})U_{0} - S(T^{*})V_{0}) \right\|_{V_{1}}^{2} \\ &+ \left\| P_{n_{0}}(S(T^{*})U_{0} - S(T^{*})V_{0}) \right\|_{V_{1}}^{2} \\ &\leq 2 \left\| (I - P_{n_{0}})(S(T^{*})U_{0} - S(T^{*})V_{0}) \right\|_{V_{1}}^{2} \\ &\leq 2 (e^{-2k_{1}T^{*}} + \frac{c_{4}\lambda_{n_{0}+1}^{-\frac{m}{2}}}{2k_{1}+k}e^{kT^{*}}) \left\| U_{0} - V_{0} \right\|^{2}. \end{split}$$
(3.12)

Let  $T^*$  be large enough

$$e^{-2k_{\rm I}T^*} \le \frac{1}{256}.\tag{3.13}$$

Also let  $n_0$  be large enough

$$\frac{c_4\lambda_{n_0+1}^{-\frac{m}{2}}}{2k_1+k}e^{kT^*} \le \frac{1}{256}.$$
(3.14)

Substituting (3.13),(3.14) into (3.12), we obtain  $\left\| S(T^*)U_0 - S(T^*)V_0 \right\|_{V_1} \le \frac{1}{8} \left\| U_0 - V_0 \right\|_{V_1}.$  (3.15)

Lemma 3.4 is proved.

**Theorem 3.2.** Under of the above assume,  $(u_0, v_0) \in V_k$ ,

$$k = 1, 2, f \in H, v = u_t + \varepsilon u, \frac{\gamma + \lambda_1^{-m}}{3} \le \varepsilon \le \min\left\{\frac{\gamma}{\lambda_1^{\frac{m}{2}} + 2}, \sqrt[4]{2}\lambda_1^{\frac{m}{4}}\right\}$$
t

hen the initial boundary value problem (1.1)-(1.3) the solution semi-group has a  $(V_2, V_1)$  -exponential attractor

on B, 
$$M = \bigcup_{0 \le t \le T^*} S(t)(A \bigcup (\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} S(T^*)^j(E^{(k)})))$$
, and

the fractal dimension is satisfied  $d_f(M) \le 1 + cN_0$ .

Proof. According to Theorem 2.1, Lemma 3.2, Lemma 3.4, Theorem 3.2 is easily proven.

# IV. INERTIAL MANIFOLD

Equation (1.1) is equivalent to the following one order evolution equation

$$U_t + HU = F(U), \tag{4.1}$$

where

$$U = (u, v), v = u_t, H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ \phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2)(-\Delta)^m & (-\Delta)^m \end{pmatrix},$$
 (4.2)

$$F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ f(x) - g(u) \end{pmatrix},$$
(4.3)

$$D(H) = \{ u \in H^{2m}(\Omega) \mid u \in L^{2}(\Omega), (-\Delta)^{m} u \in H^{2m}(\Omega) \} \times H^{m}$$

We consider the usual graph norm in X, induced by the scale product,

$$(U,V)_X = (\phi \cdot \nabla^m u, \nabla^m \overline{y}) + (\overline{z}, v), \qquad (4.4)$$
  
with  $U = (u, v), v = (v, z) \in X$   $\overline{v} \overline{z}$  respectively denote th

with  $U = (u, v), v = (y, z) \in X$ ,  $\overline{y}, \overline{z}$  respectively denote the conjugation of y and  $x, u, y \in H^{2m}(\Omega), v, z \in H_0^m(\Omega)$ ,

obviously, the operator H defined in (4.2) is monotone, for  $U \in D(H)$ ,

$$(HU,U)_{X} = ((-v,\phi \cdot (-\Delta)^{m}u + (-\Delta)^{m}v),(u,v))_{X}$$
$$= (-\phi \cdot \nabla^{m}v, \nabla^{m}\overline{u}) + (\overline{v},\phi \cdot (-\Delta)^{m}u + (-\Delta)^{m}v)$$
$$= (-\phi \cdot \nabla^{m}v, \nabla^{m}\overline{u}) + (\nabla^{m}\overline{v},\phi \cdot \nabla^{m}u) + (\nabla^{m}\overline{v},\nabla^{m}v)$$
$$= \left\|\nabla^{m}v\right\|^{2} \ge 0$$
(4.5)

Therefore,  $(HU, U)_{\chi}$  is a nonnegative and real number.

To determine the eigenvalues of H, we consider the following eigenvalue equation

$$HU = \lambda U, \quad U = (u, v) \in X \tag{4.6}$$

That is

$$\begin{cases} -v = \lambda u, \\ \phi(\left\|\nabla^{m} u\right\|^{2})(-\Delta)^{m} u + (-\Delta)^{m} v = \lambda v. \end{cases}$$

$$\tag{4.7}$$

The first equation of (4.7) is substituted into the second equation of (4.7), we obtain

$$\begin{cases} \lambda^2 u + \phi(\left\|\nabla^m u\right\|^2)(-\Delta)^m u - \lambda(-\Delta)^m u = 0, \\ u \mid_{\infty} = (-\Delta)^m u \mid_{\infty} = 0. \end{cases}$$
(4.8)

Taking u inner product with the first equation of (4.8), we have

$$\lambda^{2} \|u\|^{2} + \phi(\|\nabla^{m}u\|^{2}) \|\nabla^{m}u\|^{2} - \lambda \|\nabla^{m}u\|^{2} = 0.$$
(4.9)

(4.9) is considered an a yuan quadratic equation on  $\lambda$  , so we know

$$\lambda_{k}^{\pm} = \frac{\mu_{k} \pm \sqrt{\mu_{k}^{2} - 4\mu_{k}\phi(\mu_{k})}}{2}$$
(4.10)

Where  $\mu_k$  is the eigenvalue of  $(-\Delta)^m$  in  $H_0^m(\Omega)$ ,

then  $\mu_k = \lambda_1 k^{\frac{m}{n}}$ . If  $\mu_k \ge 4\phi(\mu_k)$ , that is,  $\mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , the eigenvalues of *H* are all positive and real numbers, the corresponding eigenfunction have the

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form  $U_k^{\pm} = (u_k, -\lambda_k^{\pm}u_k)$ . For (4.10) and future reference, we note that for all  $k \ge 1$ ,

$$\left\|\nabla^{m}u_{k}\right\| = \sqrt{\mu_{k}}, \left\|u_{k}\right\|^{2} = 1, \left\|\nabla^{-m}u_{k}\right\| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_{k}}}.$$
 (4.11)

**Lemma 4.1**  $g: H_0^m(\Omega) \to H_0^m(\Omega)$  is uniformly bounded and globally Lipschitz continuous.

Proof.  $\forall u_1, u_2 \in H_0^m(\Omega)$ , we have  $||g(u_1) - g(u_2)|| = ||g'(\xi)(u_1 - u_2)|| \le |g'(\xi)|||u_1 - u_2||$ . with  $\xi \in (u_1, u_2)$ , because of (1), we can get

 $\|g(u_1) - g(u_2)\| = \|g'(\xi)(u_1 - u_2)\| \le c_5 \|u_1 - u_2\|.$ 

Let  $l = c_5$ , then l is Lipschitz coefficient of g(u).

Theorem 4.1 The following inequalities hold while  $\mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , if *l* is Lipschitz constant of g(u), let  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  be so large such that  $N \ge N_1$ .

$$(\mu_{N+1} - \mu_N)(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1}) \ge \frac{4l}{\sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1}} + 1.$$
(4.12)

Then the operator H satisfies the spectral gap condition of (2.9).

Proof. When  $\mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , all the eigenvalues of H are real and positive, and we know that both sequences  $\{\lambda_k^-\}_{k\ge 1}$  and

 $\{\lambda_k^+\}_{k\geq 1}$  are increasing.

The whole process of proof is divided into four steps.

(1) since  $\lambda_k^{\pm}$  is arranged in nondecreasing order. According

to Lemma 2.1, given N such that  $\lambda_N^-$  and  $\lambda_{N+1}^-$  are consecutive, we separate the eigenvalue of H as

$$\sigma_{1} = \{\lambda_{j}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm} | \max\{\lambda_{j}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm}\} \le \lambda_{N} \},$$

$$\sigma_{2} = \{\lambda_{j}^{-}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm} | \lambda_{j}^{-} \le \lambda_{N}^{-} \le \min\{\lambda_{j}^{-}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm}\} \}.$$
(2) we will decomposition of X.  

$$X_{1} = span\{U_{j}^{-}, U_{k}^{\pm} | \lambda_{j}^{-}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm} \in \sigma_{1} \},$$

$$X_{2} = span\{U_{j}^{-}, U_{k}^{\pm} | \lambda_{j}^{-}, \lambda_{k}^{\pm} \in \sigma_{2} \}.$$
(4.13)
(4.14)

Our purpose is made these two subspaces orthogonal and satisfies spectral inequality (2.9).  $\Lambda_1 = \lambda_N^-, \Lambda_2 = \lambda_{N+1}^-$ , we further decompose  $X_2 = X_c \oplus X_R$ , with

$$\begin{aligned} X_c &= span\{U_j^- \left| \lambda_j^- \le \lambda_N^- < \lambda_j^+ \right\}, \\ X_R &= span\{U_R^{\pm} \left| \lambda_N^- < \lambda_k^{\pm} \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.15}$$

and let  $X_N = X_1 \oplus X_c$ . Next, we will stipulate a eigenvalue scale product of X such that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are orthogonal, so we need to introduce two functions

$$\begin{split} \Phi : X_N &\to R, \Psi : X_R \to R \,. \\ \Phi(U,V) &= 2(\nabla^m u, \nabla^m \overline{y}) + 2(\nabla^{-m} \overline{z}, \nabla^m u) \\ &+ 2(\nabla^{-m} v, \nabla^m \overline{y}) + 4(\nabla^{-m} \overline{v}, \nabla^{-m} v) \\ &- 4\phi(\left\|\nabla^m u\right\|^2)(u, y) \end{split}$$
(4.16)

 $\Psi(U,V) = (\nabla^m u, \nabla^m \bar{y}) + (\nabla^{-m} \bar{v}, \nabla^m u) - (\nabla^{-m} \bar{z}, \nabla^m y)$ (4.17) With  $U = (u, v), V = (y, z), \bar{y}, \bar{z}$  respectively denotes the conjugation of y, z.

Let 
$$U = (u, v) \in X_N$$
, then  
 $\Phi(U, U)$   
 $= 2(\nabla^m u, \nabla^m \overline{u}) + 2(\nabla^{-m} \overline{v}, \nabla^m u) + 2(\nabla^{-m} v, \nabla^m \overline{u})$   
 $+4(\nabla^{-m} \overline{v}, \nabla^{-m} v) - 4\phi(\|\nabla^m u\|^2)(u, u)$   
 $\ge 2 \|\nabla^m u\|^2 - 4 \|\nabla^{-m} v\|^2 - \|\nabla^m u\|^2 + 4 \|\nabla^{-m} v\|^2 - 4\phi \|u\|^2$ 

 $= \left\| \nabla^m u \right\|^2 - 4\phi \left\| u \right\|^2 \ge (\mu_1 - 4m_1) \left\| u \right\|^2$ Since. For any  $k, \mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , we can

Since. For any  $k, \mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , we can conclude that  $\Phi(U,U) \ge 0$ . For all  $U \in X_N$ , analogously, for  $U \in X_R$ , we have

(4.18)

$$\Psi(U,U) = (\nabla^{m}u, \nabla^{m}\bar{u}) + (\nabla^{-m}\bar{v}, \nabla^{m}u) - (\nabla^{-m}\bar{v}, \nabla^{m}u) \ge \mu_{1} \|u\|^{2} \ge 0$$

$$(4.19)$$

So, we also find that  $\Psi(U,U) \ge 0$  for all  $U \in X_R$ . Therefore, we define a scale product with  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  in X.

$$\langle\langle U, V \rangle\rangle_{X} = \Phi(P_{N}U, P_{N}V) + \Psi(P_{R}U, P_{R}V)$$
(4.20)

Where  $P_N$ ,  $P_R$  are respectively the projection:  $X \to X_N$ ,

 $X \to X_R$ , for brief, we can rewriter (4.20) as the following.

$$<< U, V >>_X = \Phi(U, V) + \Psi(U, V).$$
 (4.21)

We will show that these two subspace  $X_1, X_2$ 

Defined in (4.14) are orthogonal in regard to the scale product (4.21) in the following process, in fact  $X_N$  and  $X_c$  are orthogonal, that is  $\langle U_j^+, U_j^- \rangle \rangle_X = 0$ , for every  $U_j^+ \in X_c, U_j^- \in X_N$ , we can compute from (4.16)  $\langle U_j^+, U_j^- \rangle \rangle_X = \Phi(U_j^+, U_j^-)$  $= 2(\nabla^m u_j, \nabla^m \overline{u}_j) - 2\lambda_j^+ (\nabla^{-m} \overline{u}_j, \nabla^m u_j)$  $- 2\lambda_j^- (\nabla^{-m} u_j, \nabla^m \overline{u}_j) + 4\lambda_j^+ \lambda_j^- (\nabla^{-m} \overline{u}_j, \nabla^{-m} u_j)$  $- 4\phi ||u_j||^2$  (4.22)  $= 2 ||\nabla^m u_j||^2 - 2(\lambda_j^- + \lambda_j^+) ||u_j||^2$  $+ 4\lambda_j^+ \lambda_j^- ||\nabla^{-m} u_j||^2 - 4\phi ||u_j||^2$  $= 2\mu_j - 2(\lambda_j^- + \lambda_j^+) + 4\lambda_j^+ \lambda_j^- \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_j} - 4\phi$ 

According to (4.10), we have  $\lambda_j^+ + \lambda_j^- = \mu_j, \lambda_j^+ \lambda_j^- = \phi \mu_j$ So

$$<< U_{j}^{+}, U_{j}^{-} >>_{X} = \Phi(U_{j}^{+}, U_{j}^{-}) = 0$$
 (4.23)

(3) Next, we estimate the Lipschitz constant 
$$l_F$$
 of  $F$ ,

$$F(U) = (0, f(x) - g(u))^{T} \square g : H^{m} \to H^{m}$$
is globally.

Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant *l* , from (4.17), (4.18), for arbitrarily  $U = (u, v) \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| U \right\|_{X}^{2} &= \Phi(P_{1}U, P_{1}U) + \Psi(P_{2}U, P_{2}U) \\ &\geq (\mu_{1} - 4\phi) \left\| P_{1}u \right\|^{2} + \mu_{1} \left\| P_{2}u \right\|^{2} \\ &\geq (2\mu_{1} - 4m_{1}) \left\| u \right\|^{2} \end{aligned}$$
(4.24)

Given  $U = (u, v), V = (\hat{u}, \hat{v}) \in X$ , we have  $\|F(U) - F(V)\|_{x} = \|g(u) - g(\hat{u})\|$ 

$$\leq l \left\| u - \hat{u} \right\|$$

$$\leq \frac{l}{\sqrt{2\mu_{1} - 4m_{1}}} \left\| U - V \right\|_{X}$$

$$(4.25)$$

That we can claim that

$$l_F \le \frac{l}{\sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1}} \tag{4.26}$$

(4) Now, we need verify the spectral gap condition (2.9)holds.

Following the above mentioned  $\Lambda_1 = \lambda_N^-$  and  $\Lambda_2 = \lambda_{N+1}^-$ , we can obtain

$$\Lambda_{2} - \Lambda_{1} = \lambda_{N+1}^{-} - \lambda_{N}^{-}$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} (\mu_{N+1} - \mu_{N}) + \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{R(N)} - \sqrt{R(N+1)}$  (4.27)

Where  $R(N) = \mu_N^2 - 4\phi\mu_N$ .

We determine 
$$N_1 > 0$$
 such that for all  $N \ge N_1$ ,

Let 
$$R_1(N) = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\mu_1 - 4m_1}} - \frac{4m_1}{\mu_{N+1}(2\mu_1 - 4m_1)}$$
, we can compute

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$$\sqrt{R(N)} - \sqrt{R(N+1)} + \sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1(\mu_{N+1} - \mu_N)}$$

$$= \sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1(\mu_{N+1}R_1(N+1) - \mu_NR_1(N))}$$

$$(4.28)$$

By the former assume  $\varepsilon \le m_0 \le \varphi(s) \le m_1 = \frac{2\mu_1 - 1}{4}$ , we can easily know that

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} (\sqrt{R(N)} - \sqrt{R(N+1)} + \sqrt{2\mu_1 - 4m_1}(\mu_{N+1} - \mu_N)) = 0 \quad (4.29)$$

Then, combining (4.26) (4.27) (4.12) and (4.29), we obtain

$$\Lambda_{2} - \Lambda_{1} > (\mu_{N+1} - \mu_{N})(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2\mu_{1} - 4m_{1}}) - 1$$

$$\geq \frac{4l}{\sqrt{2\mu_{1} - 4m_{1}}} \geq 4l_{F}$$
(4.30)

So, the prove is ended.

Theorem 4.2. Under the condition of Theorem 4.1, the initial boundary value problem (1.1)-(1.3) admits an inertial manifold  $\mu$  in X of the form

$$\mu = graph(m) := \{ \zeta + m(\zeta) : \zeta \in X_1 \}, \qquad (4.31)$$

where  $X_1, X_2$  are as in (4.14) and  $m: X_1 \to X_2$  is a Lipschitz continuous function.

# V. SUMMARY

In section 4, we have proved that the inertial manifold exists when  $\mu_k \ge 4m_1$ , next, we discuss the existence of the inertial manifold when  $\mu_k < 4m_1$ .

Since  $\mu_k < 4m_1$ , the eigenvalues of *H* are complex, with Re  $\lambda_k^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_k$ , and when N is sufficiently large, discuss the results with Theorem 4.1 is similar, so the proof procedure is omitted.

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