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Abstract

In this paper, we study the oscillation properties of solutions for the scalar second order nonlinear ODE: $(|u'|^l u')' + d|u|^\beta u = c|u'|^\alpha u'$, where α, β, l, c, d are positive constants.

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1 Introduction

We consider the scalar second order nonlinear ODE

$$(|u'|^l u')' + d|u|^\beta u = c|u'|^\alpha u', \quad (1.1)$$

where l, d, c, β, α are positive constants.

For dissipative ordinary differential equation of the type

$$(|u'|^l u')' + d|u|^\beta u + c|u'|^\alpha u' = 0, \quad (1.2)$$

In [1] Abdelli and Haraux proved the existence and uniqueness of a global solution $u(t)$ of (1.2) with initial data $(u_0, u_1) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. They established the decay rate and used a method introduced by Haraux [4] to study the oscillatory or non-oscillatory properties of nontrivial solutions. This method is based on a polar coordinate system and the oscillation properties appear to depend on the relation between α and $\frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$.

The results of [1] can be summarized as follows:

Let (A_1) , (A_2) , (A_3) and (A_4) be the assumptions defined as follows:

$$(A_1) \quad \alpha > \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$$

$$(A_2) \quad \alpha = \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2} \text{ and } c < d(\beta+2) \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(\beta+1)(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}$$

$$(A_3) \quad \alpha < \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$$

$$(A_4) \quad \alpha = \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2} \text{ and } c \geq d(\beta+2) \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(\beta+1)(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}$$

- i) If (A_1) or (A_2) is satisfied, then any non-null solution $u(t)$ of (1.2) and its derivative $u'(t)$ have non-constant sign on each interval (T, ∞) .
- ii) If (A_3) is satisfied, any non-null solution $u(t)$ of (1.2) has a finite number of zeroes on $(0, \infty)$. Moreover, for t large enough, $u(t)$ and $u'(t)$ have opposite sign and $u(t)$ and $u''(t)$ have the same sign.
- iii) If (A_4) is satisfied, then any non-null solution $u(t)$ of (1.2) has at most one zero on $(0, \infty)$.

We can also consider the equation

$$u'' + |u|^\beta u = \tilde{g}(u'), \quad (1.3)$$

where \tilde{g} is a locally Lipschitz continuous function satisfying the following hypotheses

$$\exists c > 0, \quad \forall v, \quad |g(v)| \leq c|v|^{\alpha+1} \quad (1.4)$$

$$\exists \eta > 0, \quad \forall v, \quad g(v)v \geq \eta|v|^{\alpha+1}, \quad (1.5)$$

The equation (1.3) has been studied by Aloui [2]. By using a method different from the ones from Souplet [5] and Balabane, Jazar and Souplet [6], the author recovers the oscillation (or non-oscillation) properties of the solution of (1.3) near the blow-up time T by the same method as [4] when $1 < \alpha < \beta$. Moreover, the author generalized the results to (1.3) with g a general function satisfying (1.4)-(1.5).

The results of [2] can be summarized as follows:

i) The energy defined by $E(t) = \frac{u'^2}{2} + \frac{|u|^{\beta+2}}{\beta+2}$ blows-up as soon as $u \not\equiv 0$ and we have, denoting by T the blow-up time

$$\text{a) If } 0 < \alpha \leq \frac{\beta}{\beta+2}, \quad C_0(T-t)^{-\frac{2}{\alpha}} \leq E(t) \leq C_1(T-t)^{-\frac{2}{\alpha}},$$

$$\text{b) If } \frac{\beta}{\beta+2} < \alpha < \beta, \quad E(t) \leq C'(T-t)^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}}.$$

as $t \rightarrow T$, for some $C_0, C_1, C' > 0$.

ii) If $0 < \alpha < \frac{\beta}{\beta+2}$ or $\alpha = \frac{\beta}{\beta+2}$, $c < (\beta+2)\left(\frac{\beta+2}{2\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}$, then all nontrivial solutions have an oscillatory finite-time blow-up T and

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = -\infty, \quad \limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = +\infty$$

iii) If $\frac{\beta}{\beta+2} < \alpha < \beta$, $g \in \mathcal{C}^1$ and $g' > 0$, then all nontrivial solutions have a non-oscillatory finite-time blow-up T and u, u' have the same sign as $t \rightarrow T$.

iv) If $\alpha = \frac{\beta}{\beta+2}$, $c \geq c_0 = (\beta+2)\left(\frac{\beta+2}{2\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}$. Then any solution $u(t)$ of (1.3) blows-up in finite time T and has a finite number of zeroes in $[0, T]$.

Note that (1.3) with $\tilde{g}(v) = c|v|^{\alpha}v$ is a special case of (1.1) when $l = 0$.

The objective of this paper is to recover the oscillatory (or non-oscillatory) properties of solutions of (1.1) when $t \in [0, T]$ by the same method as in [1] when $l < \alpha < \beta$. Moreover, we use the techniques from [2].

The plan of the paper is as follows. In section 2 we prove the local existence of the solution of (1.1). In section 3, we show that any solution has an unbounded energy for any nontrivial initial data. In section 4 we show that, under natural conditions, all nontrivial solutions are blowing up and we obtain precise energy estimates of solutions when $t \rightarrow T$, with T the blow-up time. Finally, oscillatory and non-oscillatory behavior's are delimited in section 5 and 6.

2 Local existence

In this section, we shall discuss the local existence for the initial value problem associated to equation (1.1)

Proposition 2.1. *assume that $l \leq \inf\{\alpha, \beta\}$. Then for any $(u_0, u_1) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, there exists $T > 0$ for which problem (1.1) has a solution on $[0, T]$ in the following sense:*

$$u \in \mathcal{C}^1[0, T], \quad |u'|^l u' \in \mathcal{C}^1[0, T] \quad \text{and} \quad u_0 = u(0), \quad u_1 = u'(0). \quad (2.6)$$

Proof. To show the existence of the solution for (2.6), we consider for $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$

$$\begin{cases} (\varepsilon + (l+1)|u'_\varepsilon|^l)u''_\varepsilon + d|u_\varepsilon|^\beta u_\varepsilon = c|u'_\varepsilon|^\alpha u'_\varepsilon \\ u_\varepsilon(0) = u_0, \quad u'_\varepsilon(0) = u_1. \end{cases} \quad (2.7)$$

The existence and uniqueness of u_ε in the class $\mathcal{C}^2[0, T]$ for some $T > 0$ is classical. Multiplying (2.7) by u'_ε , we have the following energy identity

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{\varepsilon}{2} |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^2 + \frac{l+1}{l+2} |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^{l+2} + \frac{d}{\beta+2} |u_\varepsilon(t)|^{\beta+2} \right] = c|u'_\varepsilon|^{\alpha+2}. \quad (2.8)$$

Introducing

$$E_\varepsilon(t) = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^2 + \frac{l+1}{l+2} |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^{l+2} + \frac{d}{\beta+2} |u_\varepsilon(t)|^{\beta+2},$$

we have as a consequence of (2.8)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} E_\varepsilon(t) &\leq c \frac{l+2}{l+1} E_\varepsilon(t)^{\frac{\alpha+2}{l+2}} \\ &\leq c \frac{l+2}{l+1} E_\varepsilon(t)^{1+\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l} \frac{d}{dt} \left[E_\varepsilon(t) \right]^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} &\leq c \frac{l+2}{l+1} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \left[E_\varepsilon(t) \right]^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} &\geq -c \frac{\alpha-l}{l+1} \end{aligned}$$

By integrating over $(0, t)$, we have

$$E_\varepsilon(t)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} \geq -c \frac{\alpha-l}{l+1} t + \frac{1}{E_\varepsilon(0)^{\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}}}.$$

Hence, we can estimate an existence time for u_ε as a consequence of the inequality

$$E_\varepsilon(t) \leq \left(-c \frac{\alpha-l}{l+1} t + \frac{1}{E_\varepsilon(0)^{\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}}} \right)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}}, \quad \forall 0 \leq t \leq T_\varepsilon = \frac{l+1}{c(\alpha-l)E_\varepsilon(0)^{\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}}}.$$

Introducing $T_0 = \frac{l+1}{c(\alpha-l)E_\varepsilon(0)^{\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}}}$, it is clear that $T_0 < T_\varepsilon$ and for ε small enough, we have

$$\forall t \in [0, T_0], \quad |u_\varepsilon(t)| \leq M_1, \quad |u'_\varepsilon(t)| \leq M_2. \quad (2.9)$$

where M_1, M_2 are positive constants independent of ε . Then $u_\varepsilon, u'_\varepsilon$ are uniformly bounded. From (2.7), we obtain $\forall t \in [0, T_0]$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \left(|u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l u'_\varepsilon(t) \right)' \right| &= (l+1) |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l |u''_\varepsilon(t)| \\ &\leq \left| (\varepsilon + (l+1) |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l) u''_\varepsilon(t) \right|, \end{aligned}$$

by using (2.9), we deduce

$$\forall t \in [0, T_0], \quad \left| \left(|u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l u'_\varepsilon(t) \right)' \right| \leq M_3. \quad (2.10)$$

Therefore the function $w_\varepsilon(t) := |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l u'_\varepsilon(t)$ is uniformly Lipschitz on $[0, T_0]$ independently of ε . Then the family of functions $u'_\varepsilon(t) = |w_\varepsilon(t)|^{\frac{1}{l+1}} \operatorname{sgn} w_\varepsilon(t)$ is uniformly equicontinuous (actually Hölder continuous) on $[0, T_0]$.

We can now pass to the limit as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. As a consequence of Ascoli's theorem and a priori estimate (2.9), we may extract a subsequence which is still denoted for simplicity by (u_ε) for which

$$u_\varepsilon \rightarrow u \quad \text{in } \mathcal{C}^1[0, T_0]$$

as ε tends to 0. Integrating (2.7) over $(0, t)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |u'_\varepsilon(t)|^l u'_\varepsilon(t) - |u'_\varepsilon(0)|^l u'_\varepsilon(0) &= c \int_0^t |u'_\varepsilon(s)|^\alpha u'_\varepsilon(s) ds - d \int_0^t |u_\varepsilon(s)|^\beta u_\varepsilon(s) ds - \varepsilon \int_0^t u''_\varepsilon(s) ds \\ &= c \int_0^t |u'_\varepsilon(s)|^\alpha u'_\varepsilon(s) ds - d \int_0^t |u_\varepsilon(s)|^\beta u_\varepsilon(s) ds - \varepsilon (u'_\varepsilon(t) - u_1). \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

From (2.11), we then have, as ε tends to 0

$$|u'_\varepsilon|^l u'_\varepsilon \rightarrow c \int_0^t |u'(s)|^\alpha u'(s) ds - d \int_0^t |u(s)|^\beta u(s) ds + |u'(0)|^l u'(0) \quad \text{in } \mathcal{C}^0[0, T_0].$$

Hence

$$|u'|^l u' = c \int_0^t |u'(s)|^\alpha u'(s) ds - d \int_0^t |u(s)|^\beta u(s) ds + |u'(0)|^l u'(0), \quad (2.12)$$

and $|u'|^l u' \in \mathcal{C}^1[0, T_0]$. Finally by differentiating (2.12) we conclude that u is a solution of (1.1). Hence, the result with $T = T_0$. \square

3 The maximal solution

In this section, we still assume $0 \leq l \leq \inf\{\alpha, \beta\}$. Then as a consequence of [1] the solution u of (1.1) with $u(0) = u_0$ and $u'(0) = u_1$ is unique on $[0, T_0]$. Moreover, if v is another solution of the same problem on $[0, T_1]$ with $T_1 > T_0$, then $u = v$ on $[0, T_0]$. This allows us to obtain a maximal solution on $[0, T^*)$ with $0 < T^* \leq +\infty$.

Remark 3.1. Integrating (2.8) over $(0, t)$, we then have, by passing to the limit as ε tends to 0

$$E(t) - E(0) = c \int_0^t |u'(s)|^{\alpha+2} ds,$$

where

$$E(t) = \frac{l+1}{l+2} |u'(t)|^{l+2} + \frac{d}{\beta+2} |u(t)|^{\beta+2}.$$

It follows that E is differentiable at any point $t \in [0, T^*)$ and

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(t) = c |u'(t)|^{\alpha+2}.$$

Proposition 3.2. Let $(u_0, u_1) \neq (0, 0)$ be such that the unique solution of (2.6) is global. Then, u is unbounded and $E(t) \rightarrow \infty$ as t tends to ∞ .

Proof. Assuming u to be global and bounded, we can introduce the compact metric space $\mathbb{Z} = \overline{\bigcup_{t \geq 0} \{u(t), u'(t)\}}^{\mathbb{R}^2}$ endowed with the distance associated to the euclidian norm in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let $\{S(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ be the dynamical system such that

$$\begin{aligned} S(t) : \mathbb{Z} &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ (v_0, v_1) &\mapsto (v(t), v'(t)) \end{aligned}$$

where v is the solution of problem (1.1) with $v_0 = v(0)$ and $v'(0) = v_1$. For $(\varphi, \psi) \in \mathbb{Z}$, we set

$$\Phi(\varphi, \psi) = -E(\varphi, \psi) = -\left(\frac{l+1}{l+2} |\psi|^{l+2} + \frac{d}{\beta+2} |\varphi|^{\beta+2}\right).$$

Then if $(\varphi(t), \psi(t)) = S(t)(\varphi_0, \psi_0)$, we have as previously shown in remark 3.1:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Phi(\varphi(t), \psi(t)) = -c |\psi(t)|^{\alpha+2} \leq 0.$$

In particular

$$\Phi(S(t)(\varphi, \psi)) \leq \Phi(\varphi, \psi), \quad \forall (\varphi, \psi) \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Let $\omega(u_0, u_1)$ be the ω -limit set of the $(u(t), u'(t))$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$. It is clear that

$$\omega(u_0, u_1) \subset \{(v_0, v_1) \in \mathbb{Z}, (v(t), v'(t)) \text{ is global and bounded where } (v(t), v'(t)) = S(t)(v_0, v_1)\}.$$

Since $\Phi(u(t), u'(t))$ is non-increasing and bounded, it has a limit L as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence,

$$\forall (v_0, v_1) \in \omega(u_0, u_1), \quad \Phi(S(t)(v_0, v_1)) = L, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Because

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Phi(v(t), v'(t)) = -c |v'(t)|^{\alpha+2} = 0, \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

this implies $v' \equiv 0$ on \mathbb{R}^+ and by the equation (1.1) we derive $v \equiv 0$.

We now know that $\omega(u_0, u_1) = \{0, 0\}$. In particular, as $t \rightarrow \infty$ $\Phi(u(t), u'(t)) \rightarrow \Phi(0, 0) = 0$. But by hypothesis $\Phi(u(t), u'(t))$ is non-increasing and $\Phi(u(0), u'(0)) < 0$. This is contradictory hence $E(t)$ cannot be bounded. \square

4 Blow-up of nontrivial solutions and energy estimates near blow-up

Theorem 4.1. *Let $\beta > \alpha > l$ and let $u \neq 0$ be a solution of (1.1), then u blows-up in a finite time. Moreover, if $T > 0$ denotes the blow-up time,*

i) If $l < \alpha \leq \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, then there exist $C_0, C_1 > 0$ such that

$$C_0(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}} \leq E(t) \leq C_1(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}}, \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow T, \quad (4.13)$$

ii) If $\frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2} < \alpha < \beta$, then there exists $C' > 0$ such that

$$E(t) \leq C'(T-t)^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}}, \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow T. \quad (4.14)$$

Proof. We consider the functional:

$$F(t) = E(t) - \epsilon |u|^\gamma |u|^{l+2} |u'|^l |u'|,$$

where $l > 0$, $\gamma > 0$ and $\epsilon > 0$.

By using Young's inequality with exponents $l+2$ and $\frac{l+2}{l+1}$, we obtain

$$\left| |u|^\gamma |u|^{l+2} |u'|^l |u'| \right| \leq c_1 |u|^{(\gamma+1)(l+2)} + c_2 |u'|^{l+2},$$

we assume that

$$(\gamma+1)(l+2) \leq \beta+2,$$

which reduces to the condition

$$\gamma \leq \frac{\beta-l}{l+2}, \quad (4.15)$$

therefore

$$\forall u \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |u|^{(\gamma+1)(l+2)} \leq \max\{|u|^{\beta+2}, 1\} \leq |u|^{\beta+2} + 1.$$

Then, we obtain the existence of $K > 0$ such that

$$-C_1 + E(t)(1 - K\epsilon) \leq F(t) \leq E(t)(1 + K\epsilon) + C_2,$$

for ϵ small enough, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}E(t) - C_1 \leq F(t) \leq 2E(t) + C_2, \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (4.16)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &= \frac{d}{dt}E(t) - \epsilon(|u|^\gamma u)' |u'|^l |u'| - \epsilon |u|^\gamma u (|u'|^l |u'|)' \\ &= c |u'|^{\alpha+2} + d\epsilon |u|^{\gamma+\beta+2} - \epsilon(\gamma+1) |u|^\gamma |u'|^{l+2} - c\epsilon |u|^\gamma u |u'|^\alpha u'. \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

By using Young's inequality in the third term with exponents $\frac{\alpha+2}{\alpha-l}$ and $\frac{\alpha+2}{l+2}$, we obtain

$$|u|^\gamma |u'|^{l+2} \leq \delta |u|^{\gamma(\frac{\alpha+2}{\alpha-l})} + c(\delta) |u'|^{\alpha+2}, \quad (4.18)$$

we assume that

$$\gamma \left(\frac{\alpha+2}{\alpha-l} \right) \leq \gamma + \beta + 2,$$

this is equivalent to the condition

$$\gamma \leq (\beta + 2) \left(\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} \right), \quad (4.19)$$

in order that

$$\forall u \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |u|^{\gamma(\frac{\alpha+2}{\alpha-l})} \leq |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} + 1.$$

Taking δ small enough, we have for some $P > 0$ and $\rho_1 > 0$

$$-\epsilon(\gamma+1) |u|^\gamma |u'|^{l+2} \geq -\frac{d\epsilon}{4} |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} - \epsilon P |u'|^{\alpha+2} - \rho_1. \quad (4.20)$$

By using Young's inequality in the last term with exponents $\alpha+2$ and $\frac{\alpha+2}{\alpha+1}$, we obtain

$$|u|^\gamma u |u'|^\alpha u' \leq \delta |u|^{(\gamma+1)(\alpha+2)} + c'(\delta) |u'|^{\alpha+2},$$

we assume that

$$(\gamma+1)(\alpha+2) \leq \beta + \gamma + 2,$$

which reduces to the condition

$$\gamma \leq \frac{\beta - \alpha}{\alpha + 1}. \quad (4.21)$$

Then, we have

$$\forall u \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |u|^{(\gamma+1)(\alpha+2)} \leq |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} + 1.$$

Taking δ small enough, we have for some $P' > 0$ and $\rho_2 > 0$

$$-\epsilon |u|^\gamma u |u'|^\alpha u' \geq -\frac{d\epsilon}{4} |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} - \epsilon P' |u'|^{\alpha+2} - \rho_2. \quad (4.22)$$

Using (4.20) and (4.22), we have from (4.17)

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &\geq (c - P\epsilon - P'\epsilon) |u'|^{\alpha+2} + \frac{d\epsilon}{2} |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} - M \\ &\geq (c - Q\epsilon) |u'|^{\alpha+2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2} - M, \end{aligned}$$

where $Q = P + P'$.

we have for ϵ small enough,

$$F'(t) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} (|u'|^{\alpha+2} + |u|^{\beta+\gamma+2}) - M,$$

set

$$\gamma = \min \left\{ (\beta + 2) \frac{\alpha - l}{l + 2}, \frac{\beta - \alpha}{\alpha + 1}, \frac{\beta - l}{l + 2} \right\},$$

and

$$\sigma = \min \left\{ \frac{\alpha + 2}{l + 2}, 1 + \frac{\beta - \alpha}{(\beta + 2)(\alpha + 1)} \right\}.$$

Then , by using (4.16) and the inequality $(x + y)^\sigma \leq c(\sigma)(x^\sigma + y^\sigma)$ for $x, y \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &\geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} c^{-1}(\sigma) c_1 E(t)^\sigma - M \\ &\geq \frac{\epsilon}{4} c_2 F(t)^\sigma - M', \end{aligned}$$

where $c_2 = c^{-1}(\sigma) c_1$ and $M' > 0$.

First $T_{\max} < \infty$. Assuming $T_{\max} = \infty$, since E is unbounded and nondecreasing, E tends to infinity as $t \rightarrow T_{\max}$ and by (4.16) so is F , thus there exists T^* for which $\frac{\epsilon}{4} c_2 F(t)^\sigma > 2M'$ for $t \geq T^*$. Therefore,

$$F'(t) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{4} c_3 F(t)^\sigma, \quad (4.23)$$

a contradiction. Then $T_{\max} = T < \infty$.

Then, we distinguish two cases:

i) $l < \alpha \leq \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, so that $(\beta + 2) \frac{\alpha - l}{l + 2} \leq \frac{\beta - l}{l + 2}$ and

$$\frac{\beta - \alpha}{\alpha + 1} - \frac{\beta - l}{l + 2} = \frac{(\beta - \alpha)(l + 2) - (\beta - l)(\alpha + 1)}{(\alpha + 1)(l + 2)} = \frac{\beta(l + 1) + l - \alpha(\beta + 2)}{(\alpha + 1)(l + 2)} \geq 0.$$

We choose

$$\gamma = \frac{(\beta + 2)(\alpha - l)}{l + 2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = \frac{\alpha + 2}{l + 2}.$$

By using (4.23), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} (F(t))^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} &= -\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} F'(t) F(t)^{-\frac{\alpha+2}{l+2}} \\ &\leq -\frac{\alpha-l}{4(l+2)} \epsilon c_3, \end{aligned}$$

by integrating the above inequality from t to τ , we obtain

$$F(\tau)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} - F(t)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} \leq -\epsilon c_4 (\tau - t),$$

where $c_4 = \frac{\alpha-l}{4(l+2)} c_3$.

Since $F(\tau) \rightarrow +\infty$ if $\tau \rightarrow T$, then $F(\tau)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} \rightarrow 0$. Therefore by letting $\tau \rightarrow T$, we obtain

$$F(t) \leq \epsilon^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}} c_4' (T - t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}},$$

assuming $c_5 = \epsilon^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}} c'_4$, we have

$$F(t) \leq c_5(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}},$$

using (4.16), we have

$$E(t) \leq C_1(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}}, \quad (4.24)$$

with $C_1 > 2c_5$.

For the converse inequality, we have

$$E'(t) = c|u'|^{\alpha+2} \leq cK E(t)^{\frac{\alpha+2}{l+2}}.$$

Then

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(t)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} = -\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} \frac{d}{dt} E(t) E(t)^{-\frac{\alpha+2}{l+2}} \geq -\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} cK,$$

by integrating the above inequality from t to τ , we obtain

$$E(\tau)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} - E(t)^{-\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2}} \geq -K \frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} c(\tau-t).$$

Since $E(\tau) \rightarrow +\infty$ if $\tau \rightarrow T$, we have

$$E(t) \geq C_0(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}}. \quad (4.25)$$

Therefore by (4.24) and (4.25), we obtain

$$C_0(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}} \leq E(t) \leq C_1(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{\alpha-l}}, \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

ii) if $\frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2} < \alpha < \beta$, we have $\frac{\beta-\alpha}{\alpha+1} < \frac{\beta-l}{l+2}$ and $(\beta+2)\frac{\alpha-l}{l+2} > \frac{\beta-l}{l+2}$.

We choose

$$\gamma = \frac{\beta-\alpha}{\alpha+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = 1 + \frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}.$$

From (4.23), we obtain

$$F'(t) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{4} c_3(\alpha, \beta) F(t)^{1+\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}}, \quad (4.26)$$

by (4.26), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} F(t)^{-\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}} = -\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)} \frac{d}{dt} F(t) F(t)^{-1-\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}} \leq -\epsilon c_6,$$

by integrating the above inequality from t to τ , we have

$$F(\tau)^{-\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}} - F(t)^{-\frac{\beta-\alpha}{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}} \leq -\epsilon c_6(\tau-t),$$

if $\tau \rightarrow T$, we obtain

$$F(t) \leq \epsilon^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}} c'_6 (T-t)^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}},$$

assuming $C' = \epsilon^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}} c'_6$

$$E(t) \leq C'(T-t)^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}}.$$

The proof of Theorem 4.1 is now completed. \square

5 Oscillatory blow-up of solutions to (1.1) for α small

In this section, we establish the oscillatory blow-up of nontrivial solutions of (1.1). We can use the method from [2], we obtain the following result.

Theorem 5.1. *Assume that*

$$l < \alpha < \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$$

or

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}, \quad c < (\beta+2) \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(\beta+1)(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}},$$

then, all nontrivial solutions of (1.1) have oscillatory blow-up at time $T < \infty$ and

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = +\infty, \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = -\infty.$$

Proof. We proceed in 2 steps.

Step 1. For $T > 0$, $u'(t)$ has at least a zero on $[0, T]$. Assume the contrary, which means that $u'(t)$ has a constant sign on $[0, T]$.

For $t \in [0, T]$, we introduce the polar coordinate as follows

$$\left(\frac{d(l+2)}{(\beta+2)(l+1)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} |u|^{\frac{\beta}{2}} u = r(t) \cos \theta(t), \quad |u'|^{\frac{1}{2}} u' = r(t) \sin \theta(t), \quad (5.27)$$

where r and θ are two C^1 functions and $r(t) = \left(\frac{l+2}{l+1} E(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0$.

A simple calculations shows that θ satisfies at any non-singular point, the differential equation

$$\theta' = Ar^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} \sin \theta \cos \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} - Br^{\frac{2(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}}, \quad (5.28)$$

where

$$A = c \frac{l+2}{2(l+1)}, \quad B = \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} \frac{l+2}{2(l+1)}.$$

Since $l < \alpha < \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, we have $\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2} < \frac{2(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)}$ and if $t \rightarrow T$, $r(t) \sim C(T-t)^{-\frac{l+2}{2(\alpha-l)}}$.

Then, if $t \rightarrow T$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} r(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}+1} \cos \theta &= r(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2(\alpha+1)}{l+2} - \frac{l}{l+2}} \cos \theta \\ &\leq \varrho r(t)^{\frac{2(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)}} |\sin \theta|^{-\frac{l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\theta' \leq -\xi(T-t)^{-\gamma} |\sin \theta|^{-\frac{l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}, \quad \text{if } t \rightarrow T,$$

where $\xi > 0$ and

$$\gamma = \frac{l+2}{\alpha-l} \frac{\beta-l}{(\beta+2)(l+2)} > 1.$$

In the case $\alpha = \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, we have

$$\theta' = -\frac{l+2}{2(l+1)}r(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}}|\sin\theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}}|\cos\theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}\left\{\left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c|\sin\theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}+1}|\cos\theta|^{1-\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}\right\},$$

since $\alpha = \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, we have $\frac{\beta}{\beta+2} = \frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}$.
Then

$$\theta' \leq -\frac{l+2}{2(l+1)}r(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}}|\sin\theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}}|\cos\theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}\left\{\left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c|\sin\theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}+1}|\cos\theta|^{1-\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}}\right\},$$

assuming $f(\theta) = |\sin\theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}+1}|\cos\theta|^{1-\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}}$, $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then, we have

$$\max_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} f(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta+2}} \left(\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}. \quad (5.29)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c|\sin\theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}+1}|\cos\theta|^{1-\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} \\ & \geq \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c\left(\frac{1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta+2}}\left(\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} \\ & \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c\left(\frac{1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{1}{\beta+2}}\left(\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} > 0 \Leftrightarrow c < (\beta+2)\left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(\beta+1)(l+2)}\right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}}, \end{aligned}$$

then, we find in all cases for $t \rightarrow T$,

$$\theta' \leq -\xi(T-t)^{-1}|\sin\theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}}|\cos\theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}.$$

We introduce the function

$$H(s) = \int_a^s \frac{|\sin u|^{\frac{l}{l+2}}}{|\cos u|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}}} du,$$

suppose that u does not vanish if $t \rightarrow T$ and for $t \in [t_0, T]$, we may assume for instance $\theta(t) \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ and $H(\theta(t)) = F(t)$

$$\forall t_0 \leq t \leq T, F'(t) \leq -\xi(T-t)^{-1},$$

we integrate from t_0 to t

$$H(\theta(t)) \leq H(\theta(t_0)) - \xi \log(T-t_0) + \xi \log(T-t),$$

if $t \rightarrow T$, we find $H(\theta(t)) \rightarrow -\infty$. Or $H(\theta(t))$ is non-negative, then, we obtain a contradiction. Therefore, u' has a zero on each half-line.

Step 2. Applying Step 1, we know that u' has an infinite sequence of zeroes tending to infinity.

We claim that between two successive zeroes of u' there is a zero of u . Indeed let $u'(a) = u'(b) = 0$ with $a < b$ and $u' \neq 0$ in (a, b) . If u has a constant sign in (a, b) , by the equation $(|u'|^l u)'$ has the same sign for $t = a$ and $t = b$, which implies that $(|u'|^l u)'$ have opposite signs on $(a, a + \eta)$ and $(b - \eta, b)$ for $\eta > 0$ small enough, a contradiction with $u' \neq 0$ in (a, b) . Finally, by (4.13) we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow T} u^2(t) + u'(t) = +\infty$. From the existence of infinitely many zeroes of $u(t)$ and $u'(t)$ as $t \rightarrow T$ it is easy to deduce that

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \limsup_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = +\infty,$$

and

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \liminf_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = -\infty.$$

The proof of Theorem 5.1 is now completed. \square

6 Non-oscillatory blow-up of solutions to (1.1) for α large

Theorem 6.1. *Assume $l \leq \alpha$ and $\frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2} < \alpha < \beta$. Then any solution $u(t)$ has a finite number of zeroes in $(T - \epsilon, T)$, for some $\epsilon > 0$ and blows-up as $t \rightarrow T$, where T is the blow-up time.*

Proof. We introduce

$$G(s) = \int_0^s |\sin v|^{\frac{2\alpha+l}{l+2}} \sin v \cos v \, dv.$$

First we observe that $G \circ \theta$ is \mathcal{C}^1 on any interval where u' does not vanish. Indeed on such an interval, θ is \mathcal{C}^1 and

$$[G(\theta(t))]' = Ar(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} \cos^2 \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{4(\alpha+1)}{l+2} + \frac{l}{l+2}} - Br(t)^{\frac{2(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha}{l+2}} \sin \theta \cos \theta.$$

Then we observe that when $\sin \theta$ vanishes, the right hand side of the above equality is 0. Actually it is also continuous at points where $\sin \theta$ vanishes, so that finally $G \circ \theta$ is \mathcal{C}^1 everywhere. Now using Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & Br(t)^{\frac{2(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)} - \frac{2(l+1)}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha}{l+2}} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ & \leq \frac{B^2}{A} r(t)^{\frac{4(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)} - \frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} + Ar(t)^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{4(\alpha+1)}{l+2} + \frac{l}{l+2}} \cos^2 \theta, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$[G(\theta(t))]' \geq -Cr(t)^{\frac{4(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)} - \frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}}.$$

Since $\beta > \alpha > \frac{\beta(l+1)+l}{\beta+2}$, from (4.14), we have $r(t) \leq C'(T-t)^{-\frac{(\beta+2)(\alpha+1)}{\beta-\alpha}}$ for t close enough to T , then

$$[G(\theta(t))]' \geq -C'(T-t)^{-\lambda},$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= \left(\frac{4(\beta-l)}{(\beta+2)(l+2)} - \frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2} \right) \frac{(\alpha+1)(\beta+2)}{\beta-\alpha} \\ &= 1 + \alpha \left[\frac{\beta(l+1) + l - \alpha(\beta+2)}{(\beta-\alpha)(l+2)} \right] < 1.\end{aligned}$$

To finish the proof we shall use the following Lemma (cf.[4] for proof).

Lemma 6.2. *Let $\theta \in \mathcal{C}^1(a, T)$ and G be a non constant τ -periodic function. We assume $G \circ \theta \in \mathcal{C}^1(a, T)$ and for some $h \in L^1(a, T)$*

$$[G(\theta(t))]' \geq h(t), \quad \forall t \in [a, T].$$

Then, for $t_1 \leq t < T$, $\theta(t)$ remains in some interval of length $\leq \tau$. In addition, if G' has finite number of zeroes on $[0, \tau]$, then $\theta(t)$ has a limit for $t \rightarrow T$.

The proof of Theorem 6.1. From Lemma 6.2, $\theta(t) \rightarrow \Theta$ as $t \rightarrow T$. We distinguish two cases:

Case 1: If $\Theta \neq \frac{\pi}{2} \pmod{[\pi]}$, $u \sim Cr^{\frac{2}{\beta+2}} > 0$ if $t \rightarrow T$, then u has a constant sign.

Case 2: If $\Theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \pmod{[\pi]}$, $|u'| \sim r(t)^{\frac{2}{l+2}} > 0$ if $t \rightarrow T$, then $u'(t)$ does not vanish and $u(t)$ has a constant sign if $t \rightarrow T$.

Let t_0 be such that u has a constant sign on (t_0, T) , if $u'(t)$ has several zeroes in $(T - \epsilon, T)$ for $\epsilon > 0$ small enough, then $(|u'(t)|^l u'(t))'$ must have different signs at two successive zeroes $|u'(t)|^l u'(t)$. From equation (1.1) u must have different signs also, which is impossible. Thus, $u'(t)$ has a constant sign as $t \rightarrow T$.

$E(t)$ is unbounded, then $E(t) \rightarrow \infty$ as t tends to T . Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T} u(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow T} u'(t) = \pm \infty,$$

Since $u(t)$ and $u'(t)$ have the same sign if $t \rightarrow T$. □

Theorem 6.3. *Assuming $l \leq \alpha$ and*

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta(1+l)+l}{\beta+2}, \quad c \geq c_0 = (\beta+2) \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(\beta+1)(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}},$$

then any solution $u(t)$ of (1.1) blows-up in finite time T and has a finite number of zeroes in $[0, T]$.

Proof. If $\alpha = \frac{\beta(1+l)+l}{\beta+2}$, then clearly $\frac{\beta}{\beta+2} = \frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}$. In this case

$$\begin{aligned}\theta' &= -\frac{l+2}{2(l+1)} r^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}} \left\{ \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+2}} - c \sin \theta \cos \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{l+2}{2(l+1)} r^{\frac{2(\alpha-l)}{l+2}} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} \left\{ \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c \sin \theta \cos \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{-\beta}{\beta+2}} \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

We set

$$K(\theta) = \frac{l+2}{2(l+1)} |\sin \theta|^{\frac{-l}{l+2}} \left\{ \left(\frac{(\beta+2)(l+1)}{d(l+2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} - c \sin \theta \cos \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} \right\}$$

i) If $c = c_0$, using (5.29), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\beta + 2)(l + 1)}{d(l + 2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c \sin \theta \cos \theta |\sin \theta|^{\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{\frac{-\beta}{\beta+2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{(\beta + 2)(l + 1)}{d(l + 2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c_0 |\sin \theta|^{1+\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} |\cos \theta|^{1-\frac{2\alpha-l}{l+2}} \\ &\geq \left(\frac{(\beta + 2)(l + 1)}{d(l + 2)} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} - c_0 \left(\frac{1}{\beta + 2} \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta+2}} \left(\frac{\beta + 1}{\beta + 2} \right)^{\frac{\beta+1}{\beta+2}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$K(\theta) > 0$, so that θ is non-increasing. The distance of two consecutive zeroes of $K(\theta)$ other than $\frac{\pi}{2} \pmod{\pi}$ is not more than π , therefore we have two cases:

Case 1: if $\theta(t)$ remains in an interval of length less than π , then θ is bounded from above and is non-increasing thus it converges to a limit as $t \rightarrow T$ and achieves at most one a value for which u vanishes.

Case 2: if $\theta(t)$ coincides with one of these zeros for a finite value of t , due to existence and uniqueness for the ODE satisfies by $\theta(t)$ near the non-trivial equilibria, $\theta(t)$ is constant and u never vanishes.

ii) If $c > c_0$, $K(\theta) < 0$. We have two cases:

Case 1: if $\theta(t) \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$, then, it is bounded and since $K(\theta) < 0$ near the trivial zeros, $\theta(t)$ is monotone, and therefore it is convergent as $t \rightarrow T$.

Case 2: if $\theta(t) = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then it remains constant and u never vanishes.

□

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