

Estimates of the blowup time for a stochastic semilinear wave equation with white noise

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In view of equation, our main aims are analytic properties of solution:

- Well-posedness
- Blowup
- Longtime behavior
- Regularity
- etc.

Main problems of blowup are

- Blow up?
- Blowup criterion
- Estimates of the blowup time
- Blowup points
- After the blowup
- etc.

Present ways of blowup

- Transformation, $cu dW$
- Probability, $cu dW$
- Branch process

1. Equation

Consider

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t^2 u + \alpha \partial_t u - \phi(x) \nabla^2 u - f(u) = \sigma(u, \partial_t u, \nabla u, x, t) \partial_t W(t, x), & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ u(t, x)|_{t=0} = u_0(x), \partial_t u(t, x)|_{t=0} = u_1(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N. \end{cases} \quad (0.1)$$

Here $\alpha \geq 0$ is a constant; $\{W(t, x), t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$ is a Wiener random field with respect to $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}; \mathbb{P})$ with mean zero, which will be defined precisely later; $\{u(t, x), t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$ is a continuous \mathcal{F}_t -adapted random field; $f : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$; $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$; $\phi : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow (0, \infty)$; $u_0, u_1 : \mathbb{R}^N \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are \mathcal{F}_0 -measurable; ∇ is the gradient operator; ∇^2 is the Laplace operator; $\sigma(u, \partial_t u, \nabla u, x, t) \partial_t W(t, x)$ is white noise of Itô type.

2. Physical background

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Throughout the talk, $N \geq 3$ and

(A1) $g(x) := (\phi(x))^{-1}$ and $g \in C^\delta(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^{\frac{N}{2}}(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$, for some $\delta \in (0, 1)$.

3. Mathematical background

For $\alpha = 0$, $\phi = 1$, $N \leq 3$, $f(u) = \lambda u^3 - \gamma^2 u$ ($\lambda > 0$) and the additive noise term $\sigma(x, t) \partial_t W(t, x)$, in 2002, P.L. Chow proved the existence of explosive solution in mean L^2 -norm for the wave equation under the assumption that $\int_0^t \sigma(x, s) d_t W(s, x)$ is a zero-mean $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ -martingale, where $d_t W(t, x)$ is the Itô differential of $W(t, x)$ on t .

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But, if u blows up before the time t with positive probability, then $\int_0^t \sigma(u(s), \nabla u(s), x, s) d_t W(s, x)$ is meaningless.

Main difficulties:

- $\mathbb{E} \int_0^t \sigma(u(s), \nabla u(s), x, s) d_t W(s, x) = 0?$
- Do better?

4. An idea

Two prior times T and T_1 are presented by (nonrandom) initial data and parameters of a stochastic differential equation, where $T_1 > T > 0$. Under the assumption that the solution exists almost surely after the time T_1 , a pair of contradiction can be found at the time T , which implies that the solution blows up before or at the time T_1 with positive probability.

5. Functional Spaces

Define two spaces $L_g^2(\mathbb{R}^N)$, $\mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and their product space $\mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N) \times L_g^2(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

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Let $h_1, h_2 : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. The inner product of h_1 and h_2 is denoted by

$$(h_1, h_2)_{L_g^2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g h_1 h_2 dx.$$

The space $L_g^2(\mathbb{R}^N)$ is defined as the closure of $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ functions with respect to the norm $\|h\|_{L_g^2} = (h, h)_{L_g^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

Define

$$\mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N) = \{h \in L^{\frac{2N}{N-2}}(\mathbb{R}^N) : \nabla h \in (L^2(\mathbb{R}^N))^N\}$$

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$$\|h\|_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}} = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla h|^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

which can induced by the inner product

$$(h_1, h_2)_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}} = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \nabla h_1 \cdot \nabla h_2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

for $h_1, h_2 \in \mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

Let $H = \mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N) \times L_g^2(\mathbb{R}^N)$ be the product space of $\mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and $L_g^2(\mathbb{R}^N)$, whose norm

$$\|\varphi\|_H = (\|\varphi_1\|_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}}^2 + \|\varphi_2\|_{L_g^2}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and inner product

$$(\varphi, \psi)_H = (\varphi_1, \psi_1)_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}} + (\varphi_2, \psi_2)_{L_g^2}, \quad \varphi = (\varphi_1, \varphi_2)^T, \psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)^T \in H.$$

There exists a complete system of eigensolutions $\{\phi_n, \mu_n\}$ in L_g^2 with the following properties

$$\begin{cases} -\phi \nabla^2 \phi_j = \mu_j \phi_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, \phi_j \in \mathcal{D}^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^N), \\ 0 < \mu_1 \leq \mu_2 \leq \dots, \quad \mu_j \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } j \rightarrow \infty. \end{cases}$$

6. Wiener field

Define $W(t, x)$ as

$$W(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j W_j(t) \phi_j(x)$$

where γ_j is nonrandom, $\{W_j(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is a sequence of independent standard Wiener processes. The spatial correlation function $r(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j^2 \phi_j(x) \phi_j(y)$ is assumed to be integrable on $\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N$ and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g(x) r(x, x) dx = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g(x) \phi_j^2(x) dx < \infty.$$

Suppose $\{y(t, x), t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$ is a continuous \mathcal{F}_t -adapted random field satisfies

$$d_t y(t, x) = b(t, y(t, x))dt + \mathbf{a}(t, y(t, x))d_t W(t, x)$$

for $t > t_0 \geq 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$.

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7. Assumptions

Assume, in addition to **(A1)** that

(A2) $|f(\xi)| \leq c_1 (1 + |\xi|^\beta)$, $|f(\xi_1) - f(\xi_2)| \leq c_1 (|\xi_1|^{\beta-1} + |\xi_2|^{\beta-1}) |\xi_1 - \xi_2|$, $\xi, \xi_1, \xi_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, where $\beta \in [1, \frac{N+2}{N-2}]$ and $c_1 > 0$ are constants.

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(A3) For any constant $t_0 > 0$ and $t \in [0, t_0]$,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g(x) \sigma^2(\xi, \eta, \zeta, x, t) r(x, x) dx \leq c_2 \left(1 + \|\xi\|_{L_g^{2\gamma}}^{2\gamma} + \|\eta\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \|\zeta\|_{L_g^2}^2 \right),$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g(x) (\sigma(\xi_1, \eta_1, \zeta_1, x, t) - \sigma(\xi_2, \eta_2, \zeta_2, x, t))^2 r(x, x) dx \\ & \leq c_2 \left(\|\xi_1 - \xi_2\|_{L_g^2}^2 \left(\|\xi_1\|_{L_g^{2(\gamma-1)}}^{2(\gamma-1)} + \|\xi_2\|_{L_g^{2(\gamma-1)}}^{2(\gamma-1)} \right) + \|\eta_1 - \eta_2\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \|\zeta_1 - \zeta_2\|_{L_g^2}^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

for $(\xi, \eta, \zeta), (\xi_i, \eta_i, \zeta_i) \in L_g^{2\gamma} \times L_g^2 \times (L_g^2)^N$, $i = 1, 2$; $\gamma \in [1, \frac{N}{N-2}]$ and $c_2 = c_2(t_0) > 0$ are constants.

8. Solutions

Theorem 0.1

*Under the assumptions **(A1)**-**(A3)**, there exists a unique mild solution $(u, \partial_t u) \in C([0, \tau]; H)$ of (0.1) for any \mathcal{F}_0 -measurable $(u_0, u_1) \in H$, where $\tau > 0$ is a stopping time and $[0, \tau)$ is the maximal existing interval of $(u, \partial_t u)$.*

Definition 0.1

A stopping time $\tau > 0$ is said to be a finite blowup time of the solution $u(t, x)$ to (0.1), if the following three conditions are fulfilled:

- $\mathbb{P}(\tau < \infty) > 0$,
- For any $t < \tau$, $\|u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \|\partial_t u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2 < \infty$,
- $\lim_{t \rightarrow \tau^-} (\|u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \|\partial_t u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2) = \infty$ in $\{\tau < \infty\}$.

Definition 0.2

$T_{bc} = \inf\{t > 0 : \mathbb{P}(\tau \leq t) > 0\}$ is the blowup critical time of (0.1), where τ is the blowup time of the solution $u(t, x)$ to (0.1).

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Obviously, $T_{mbc} \leq T_{bc}$ if T_{bc} exists.

9. Main results

For the nonlinear power f in (0.1), throughout the paper, the following assumption is made: there exists some constant $\epsilon > 0$ such that

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$$f(s) = |s|^{\beta-1}s - m^2s, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 1 < \beta < \frac{N+2}{N-2}.$$

Let $\sigma(s) = \sigma(u(s), \partial_t u(s), \nabla u(s), x, s)$ and τ be always as in Theorem 0.1. The assumptions **(A1)**-**(A3)** are always satisfied.

We always let r_0 , r_1 and $E(0)$ be constants in this section, where

$$r_0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} g|u_0|^2 dx, \quad r_1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} gu_0 u_1 dx$$

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \|\partial_t u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u(t)\|_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}}^2 - (\mathcal{F}(u(t)), 1)_{L_g^2} + \alpha \int_0^t \|\partial_t u(s)\|_{L_g^2}^2 ds.$$

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$$\sigma_1(x, t) = \sup_{\xi, \eta, \zeta} \sigma(\xi, \eta, \zeta, x, t) \text{ exists, } \sigma_\infty = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty (\sigma_1^2(s), r)_{L_g^2} ds < \infty. \quad (0.3)$$

Theorem 0.2

Let

$$T_1 = -\frac{(2(1 + \alpha r_0) + \epsilon(|r_1| - r_1))^2 - 2\epsilon^2 r_0(E(0) + \sigma_\infty)}{\epsilon^2(E(0) + \sigma_\infty)(2 + \epsilon|r_1|)}.$$

Suppose (0.3) holds and $E(0) + \sigma_\infty < 0$. Then, $T_{bc} \leq T_1$.

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Set

$$T_2 = \frac{8(2 + \epsilon)(\alpha r_0 + 1)^2 + 2\epsilon^3 \mu_1 r_0^2}{\epsilon^3 \mu_1 r_0 (2 + \epsilon r_1)}.$$

Suppose (0.3) holds, $r_0 > 0$, $r_1 \geq 0$ and $E(0) + \sigma_\infty = 0$. Then, $T_{bc} \leq T_2$.

Theorem 0.4

Define

$$T_3 = \frac{8(2 + \epsilon)(1 + \alpha r_0)^2 + 2\epsilon^2 r_0(\epsilon\mu_1 r_0 - 2(2 + \epsilon)(E(0) + \sigma_\infty))}{\epsilon^2(\epsilon\mu_1 r_0 - 2(2 + \epsilon)(E(0) + \sigma_\infty))(2 + \epsilon r_1)}$$

If (0.3) holds, $I(0) < 0$, $r_1 \geq 0$ and $r_0 > \frac{2(2+\epsilon)}{\epsilon\mu_1}(E(0) + \sigma_\infty) > 0$, then $T_{bc} \leq T_3$.

10. Other results

Suppose

$$\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(\xi, \eta, \zeta, x, t)r(x, x) \leq \alpha|\eta|^2, \quad t > 0 \quad (0.4)$$

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$$\mathcal{E}(t) = \frac{1}{2}\|\partial_t u(t)\|_{L_g^2}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|u(t)\|_{\mathcal{D}^{1,2}}^2 - (\mathcal{F}(u(t)), 1)_{L_g^2}.$$

The following three theorems deal with other assumption on σ .

Theorem 0.5

Set

$$T_4 = \frac{(1 + |r_1| - r_1)^2 - 2r_0\mathcal{E}(0)}{-\epsilon\mathcal{E}(0)(1 + |r_1|)}.$$

Suppose (0.4) holds and $\mathcal{E}(0) < 0$. Then, $T_{bc} \leq T_4$.

Theorem 0.6

Let

$$T_5 = \frac{2(2 + \epsilon + \epsilon\mu_1 r_0^2)}{\epsilon^2 \mu_1 r_0 (1 + r_1)}.$$

If (0.4) holds, $r_0 > 0$, $r_1 \geq 0$ and $\mathcal{E}(0) = 0$, then $T_{bc} \leq T_5$.

Theorem 0.7

Define

$$T_6 = \frac{2(2 + \epsilon + \epsilon\mu_1 r_0^2 - 2(2 + \epsilon)\mathcal{E}(0)r_0)}{\epsilon(\epsilon\mu_1 r_0 - 2(2 + \epsilon)\mathcal{E}(0))(1 + r_1)}$$

Suppose (0.4) holds, $l(0) < 0$, $r_1 \geq 0$ and $r_0 > \frac{2(2+\epsilon)}{\epsilon\mu_1}\mathcal{E}(0) > 0$. Then, $T_{bc} \leq T_6$.

Remark 0.1

After some light modification, blowup problems for other stochastic semilinear wave equations with white noises can also be solved, e.g. with strong damping, in bounded domains, or time white noises, etc.

11. Further research

- $f(u) = 0, \sigma(u)dW?$

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