Existence and polynomial growth
of periodic solutions to KdV-type equations

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Abstract. We establish local and global existence of periodic solutions for KdV type equations, employing Fourier series and a fixed point argument. We also investigate the polynomial growth of the solutions.

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1. Introduction

In this paper, we study the existence and the polynomial bound of periodic solutions for the nonlinear dispersive equation of the Korteweg-de Vries type:

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \partial_x^\alpha u + u^k \partial_x u = 0, & (t,\,x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{T}; \\ u(0,\,x) = \phi(x), \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where ϕ is a real function, α a real number, k a positive integer and ∂_x^α the fractional derivative defined by, via Fourier transform,

$$\widehat{\partial_x^\alpha} = i|\xi|^\alpha \mathrm{sgn}\xi. \tag{2}$$

The function u considered here is a real-valued and space-periodic function. The method used here is the fixed point argument applied to the corresponding integral equation

$$u(t) = W(t)\phi - \int_0^t W(t-\tau)w(\tau)d\tau, \tag{3}$$

where $W(t) = e^{-t\partial_x^\alpha}$ and $w = u^k \partial_x u$, see [B2] and [FG].

The original KdV equation,

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x^3 u + u\partial_x u = 0, \tag{4a}$$

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was derived in 1895 by Korteweg and de Vries as an approximate model of shallow water waves, see [KdV]. It also has been derived in plasma physics and in the studies of anharmonic lattices, see [MGKr]. Some generalizations of KdV equation has been used to describe certain physical problems, e.g. KdV-type equations in certain crystalline lattices, see [ABFS]. In 1975, P. Lax [L] constructed a large class of special solutions of the KdV equation which are periodic in space and almost periodic in time. In 1993, Bourgain [B2] proved existence of periodic solutions for generalized KdV equations,

$$\partial_x^3 u + u^k \partial_x u = 0. \tag{4b}$$

In 1995, Bourgain [B3] extended the result of local solutions to more general KdV equation,

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x^{2j+1} u + F(u, \text{lower order terms}) = 0. \tag{4c}$$

On the other hand, some fifth order (even 7th order) KdV-type equations,

$$\partial_t u + u^p \partial_x u + \partial_x^3 u + \partial_x^5 u = 0, \tag{4d}$$

also has been considered, see [K]. In 1996, Bourgain [B4] obtained a polynomial bound of higher Sobolev norm of solutions for generalized KdV equations. In 1997, Staffilani [S] improved the existence result and the polynomial bound of solution for equation (4b). In 2004, Colliander *eta* [CKSTT] gave multilinear estimates for for periodic case and their applications.

It is well known that the KdV equation and some KdV-type equations possess solitary waves and infinitely many conservation laws, see [L] and [MGKr]. For the equation (1), there are three quantities are conserved, namely,

$$\begin{cases} \int_{\mathbb{T}} u(t) dx, \\[2mm] \int_{\mathbb{T}} u^2(t) dx, \quad \text{and} \\[2mm] \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{1}{2} (\partial_x^{(\alpha-1)/2} u)^2(t) dx - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} u^{k+2}(t) dx. \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

In the nonperiodic case there have been some good results on questions of existence and regularity, see [KPV1]~[KPV3] and [BKPSV].

The outline of this paper is that we first show the local existence result

for the initial value problem (1) with $k = 1$. The essence of the proof is an a priori estimate inspired by work of J. Bourgain, see [B2] and [B3]. It can be understood as a multiplier estimate on the set of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}$. However the proof of the estimate presented here is different from those of [B2]. It essentially relies on an idea of Zygmund [Z]. Once the local existence is proved, we invoke a conservation law to get global existence. Next we discuss the existence results for the initial value problem (1), (hereafter we write IVP), with higher order nonlinearity $k \geq 2$. In Section 4, we will give a straightforward proof of the a priori estimate. Finally we will discuss the polynomial bound for solution of IVP (1). The main results of this paper are the following theorems.

Theorem A *Let $\alpha \geq 3$. If the initial data of (1) is in L^2 for $k = 1$ and in $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$ (and small) for $k \geq 2$, then the initial value problem of (1) is globally well-posed.*

Theorem B *Let $\alpha \geq 3$ and $3/2 \leq (\alpha - 1)/2 < s$. If the initial data is in H^s and small, then the global solution u satisfies*

$$\|u(t)\|_{H^s} \leq C|t|^{2s}. \tag{6}$$

2. Existence Results

Throughout this paper we call

$$A(\xi) = |\xi|^\alpha \operatorname{sgn}\xi \quad \text{and} \quad S = |\tau - A(\xi)| + 1; \tag{7}$$

denote by

$$\widetilde{g}(t,\,\xi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ix\xi} g(t,\,x) dx$$

and by

$$\widehat{g}(\tau,\,\xi) = \int_R e^{-it\tau} \widetilde{g}(t,\,\xi) dt$$

the Fourier coefficients and the Fourier transforms with respect to the space variable and to both the space-time variables, respectively. First we state the local existence result for IVP (1) with $k = 1$:

Theorem 1 *If $\alpha \geq 3$ and the initial data $\phi \in L^2$ (H^s, $s \geq 0$), then the IVP of (1) is locally well-posed.*

To prove the above theorem, we use a fixed point argument and the following a priori estimate whose proof will be given later.

Theorem 2   *If $\alpha \geq 2$, then we have the following estimates*

$$\|f\|_{L^4(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})} \leq C\big\|S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)}\widehat{f}\big\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})} \tag{8a}$$

and its dual

$$\|\widehat{f}/S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{4/3}(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})}. \tag{8b}$$

Before proving Theorem 1, we consider the corresponding linear problem:

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \partial_x^\alpha u + w = 0, \quad (t,\, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times S^1; \\ u(0,\, x) = \phi(x). \end{cases} \tag{9}$$

The periodic solution of (9) can be expressed in integral form as follows.

$$u(t,\, x) = \sum_\xi \widehat{\phi}(\xi) e^{i(x\xi+tA)}$$

$$+ 2i \sum_\xi e^{ix\xi} \int \frac{e^{it\tau} - e^{itA}}{\tau - A} \widehat{w}(\tau,\, \xi) d\tau. \tag{10}$$

Call $U(t,\, x)$ and $V(t,\, x)$ the linear and nonlinear parts of u respectively,

$$\begin{cases} U(t,\, x) = \sum_\xi \widehat{\phi}(\xi) e^{i(x\xi+tA)}; \\[2mm] V(t,\, x) = 2i \sum_\xi e^{ix\xi} \int \frac{e^{it\tau} - e^{itA}}{\tau - A} \widehat{w}(\tau,\, \xi) d\tau. \end{cases} \tag{11}$$

We want to study the nonlinear part first. Choose cut-off functions $\widehat{a}$ and $\widehat{b}$ such that $\widehat{a} + \widehat{b} = 1$, $\operatorname{supp}\widehat{a} \subset [-2R,\, 2R]$ and $\operatorname{supp}\widehat{b} \subset \{x \colon |x| \geq R\}$. Make a decomposition of $V(t,\, x)$ in the following way.

$$V(t,\, x) = H(t,\, x) + \Psi_1(t,\, x) + \Psi_2(t,\, x), \tag{12}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \widehat{H}(\tau,\,\xi) = \dfrac{\widehat{b}(\tau-A)}{\tau-A}\widehat{w}(\tau,\,\xi), \\[3mm] \widehat{\Psi}_1(\tau,\,\xi) = \delta(\tau-A)\displaystyle\int\dfrac{\widehat{b}(\lambda-A)}{\lambda-A}\widehat{w}(\lambda,\xi)d\lambda, \\[3mm] \widehat{\Psi}_2(\tau,\,\xi) = \displaystyle\sum_k \delta^{(k)}(\tau-A)\widehat{G}_k(\xi), \\[3mm] \widehat{G}_k(\xi) = \dfrac{i^k(2R)^{k-1}}{k!}\displaystyle\int\left(\dfrac{\lambda-A}{2R}\right)^{k-1}\widehat{a}(\lambda-A)\widehat{w}(\lambda,\,\xi)d\lambda, \end{cases} \tag{13}$$

where $\delta(\tau)$ is the delta function and $\delta^{(k)}$ is its k-th derivative.

Since the solution does not decay in time, it is necessary to localize it in time. We assume that ψ is a cutoff function supported in a neighborhood of 0 and denote $\psi_\delta(t) = \psi(t/\delta)$, where δ is a small number to be determined later. Let

$$u_\delta(t,\,x) = \psi_\delta(t)(\Psi_1+\Psi_2)(t,\,x)+F(t,\,x). \tag{14}$$

The norm used here is defined by

$$N(u) = \|S^{1/2}\widehat{u}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})}. \tag{15}$$

We want to prove the following result first.

Theorem 3 *Let u_δ be defined as in (14), we have the estimate*

$$N(u_\delta) \le C\left\|\frac{\widehat{w}}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})} + C\left\{\sum_\xi\left|\int\frac{|\widehat{w}|}{S}d\lambda\right|^2\right\}^{1/2}. \tag{16}$$

Proof. For the term H, since $S^2|\widehat{b}(\tau-A)|^2/(\tau-A)^2 \le 1$, we get

$$\|S^{1/2}\widehat{H}\|_{L^2}^2 \le C\left\|\frac{\widehat{w}}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2}. \tag{17a}$$

For the term Ψ_1, since $\int S|\widehat{\psi}_\delta(\tau-A)|^2 d\tau \le C(\psi)$, we have

$$\|S^{1/2}(\widehat{\psi}_\delta*\widehat{\Psi}_1)\|_{L^2} \le C\left\{\sum_\xi\left|\int\frac{|\widehat{w}|}{S}d\lambda\right|^2\right\}^{1/2}. \tag{17b}$$

For the last term, using the facts that

$$\|S^{1/2}\widehat{t^k\psi_\delta}\|_{L^2} \leq C(\psi)(2\delta)^k \quad \text{and} \quad \|\widehat{G}_k\|_{L^(Z)} \leq C\frac{(2R)^k}{k!}\left\|\frac{\widehat{w}}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2},$$

we obtain

$$\|S^{1/2}(\widehat{\psi}_\delta * \widehat{\Psi}_2)\|_{L^2} \leq C(\psi)e^{4R\delta}\left\|\frac{\widehat{w}}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2}.$$

$\square$

We divide the proof for Theorem 1 into several steps. First we state and prove two lemmas. Notice that now $w = u\partial_x u$.

Lemma 4

$$\left\|\frac{\widehat{w}}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})} \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/8\alpha}N(u)^2. \tag{18}$$

Lemma 5

$$\left\{\sum_\xi\left|\int\frac{|\widehat{w}|}{S}d\lambda\right|^2\right\}^{1/2} \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/8\alpha}N(u)^2. \tag{19}$$

Proof of Lemma 4.   Observe that $|\widehat{w}(\tau, \xi)|$ is bounded by

$$|\xi|\sum_\eta\int|\widehat{u}(\lambda, \eta)||\widehat{u}(\tau-\lambda, \xi-\eta)|. \tag{20}$$

To cancel out the factor $|\xi|$, notice that

$$\left|(\tau - A(\xi)) - [(\lambda - A(\eta)) + (\tau - \lambda - A(\xi - \eta))]\right|$$
$$= \left|-A(\xi) + A(\eta) + A(\xi - \eta)\right| \geq C|\xi|^{\alpha-1}, \tag{21}$$

provided $\xi \neq 0$, $\eta \neq 0$ and $\xi \neq \eta$. Also observe that $\widehat{w}(\tau, 0) = 0$. Assume the average of u is zero, i.e. $\widehat{u}(\tau, 0) = 0$, temporarily so that we have (21). (This assumption will be removed later.) For the sake of convenience, we denote

$$\begin{cases} C(\lambda, \eta) = (|\lambda - A(\eta)| + 1)^{1/2}|\widehat{u}(\lambda, \eta)| = S^{1/2}|\widehat{u}(\lambda, \eta)|, \\ \widehat{F}(\lambda, \eta) = |\widehat{u}(\lambda, \eta)| \text{ and } \widehat{G}(\lambda, \eta) = C(\lambda, \eta) = S^{1/2}|\widehat{u}(\lambda, \eta)| \end{cases} \tag{22}$$

Thus we can bound $\widehat{w}/S^{1/2}$ by

$$\int \sum_{\eta} \frac{|\xi| C(\lambda, \eta) C(\tau - \lambda, \xi - \eta)}{(|\tau - A(\xi)| + 1)^{1/2}(|\lambda - A(\eta)| + 1)^{1/2}}$$
$$\times \frac{1}{(|\tau - \lambda - A(\xi - \eta)| + 1)^{1/2}} d\lambda \quad (23)$$

From (21) one of the following cases happens.

$$\begin{cases} |\tau - A(\xi)| \geq \dfrac{C}{3}|\xi|^{\alpha - 1}, \\[2mm] |\lambda - A(\eta)| \geq \dfrac{C}{3}|\xi|^{\alpha - 1}, \quad \text{and} \\[2mm] |\tau - \lambda - A(\xi - \eta)| \geq \dfrac{C}{3}|\xi|^{\alpha - 1}. \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

For the first case of (24), we have

$$\int \sum_{\eta} \frac{C(\lambda, \eta) C(\tau - \lambda, \xi - \eta)}{|\xi|^{(\alpha - 3)/2}(|\lambda - A(\eta)| + 1)^{1/2}(|\tau - \lambda - A(\xi - \eta)| + 1)^{1/2}} d\lambda$$
$$\leq \widehat{F^2}(\tau, \xi). \quad (25)$$

Taking L^2 norm on $\widehat{F^2}$ and applying Theorem 2, we get

$$\|\widehat{F^2}\|_{L^2} \leq N(u)^{(\alpha+1)/\alpha} \|u\|_{L^2}^{(\alpha-1)/\alpha}. \quad (26)$$

Assume that u is supported by $[-\delta, \delta] \times T$, since $(\alpha + 1)/(4\alpha) < 1/2$, we have

$$\|u\|_{L^2} \leq \delta^{1/4} \|u\|_{L^4} \quad (27)$$

which implies

$$\|F\|_{L^4} \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} N(u). \quad (28)$$

For the second case of (24), we have

$$\int \sum_{\eta} \frac{C(\lambda, \eta) C(\tau - \lambda, \xi - \eta)}{(|\tau - A(\xi)| + 1)^{1/2} |\xi|^{(\alpha-3)/2}(|\tau - \lambda - A(\xi - \eta)| + 1|^{1/2}} d\lambda$$
$$\leq \frac{\widehat{FG}(\tau, \xi)}{S^{1/2}}.$$

Taking L^2 norm on $\widehat{FG}/S^{1/2}$, we have

$$\left\|\frac{\widehat{FG}(\tau,\,\xi)}{S^{1/2}}\right\|_{L^2} \le C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)}N(u)^2.$$

The proof of the last case of (24) is similar to the second one.   □

Remark   To remove the condition that the solution is of zero average, $\widehat{u}(\tau,\,0) = 0$, we may modify the problem (1) by replacing ϕ by $\phi_1 + \phi_0$ and u by $u_1 + \phi_0$, where $\phi_0 = \int \phi(x)dx = \int u(t,\,x)dx$. All arguments go through if $A(\xi)$ is replaced by $A(\xi) - \phi_0\xi$.

Proof of Lemma 5.   Observe that $|\widehat{w}|/S$ is bounded by

$$\int \sum_\eta \frac{|\xi|C(\lambda,\,\eta)C(\tau-\lambda,\,\xi-\eta)}{(|\tau - A(\xi)| + 1)(|\lambda - A(\eta)| + 1)^{1/2}}$$

$$\times \frac{1}{(|\tau - \lambda - A(\xi-\eta)| + 1)^{1/2}}d\lambda \quad (29)$$

We use the notations denoted in the previous Lemma and distinguish again the cases in (24).

For the first case of (24), we have

$$\left\{\sum_\xi \left(\int \frac{|\widehat{w}(\tau,\,\xi)|}{|\tau - A| + 1}d\tau\right)^2\right\}^{1/2} \sim \left\{\sum_\xi \left(\int \frac{|\xi|\widehat{F^2}(\tau,\,\xi)}{|\tau - A| + |\xi|^{\alpha-1}}d\lambda\right)^2\right\}^{1/2}.$$

Let $a(\xi)$ be a nonnegative sequence with unit l^2-norm, i.e. $\sum_\xi a^2(\xi) = 1$. Using the first one in (24) and

$$\int \frac{\xi^2}{(|\tau - A| + |\xi|^{\alpha-1})^2}d\tau \le C, \quad (30)$$

we can estimate

$$\sum_\xi \int \frac{a(\xi)|\xi|\widehat{F^2}(\tau,\,\xi)}{|\tau - A| + |\xi|^{\alpha-1}}d\tau \le C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(4\alpha)}N(u)^2. \quad (31)$$

Use a duality argument, we get (18).

For the second case of (24), we have

$$\int \sum_\eta \frac{C(\lambda,\,\eta)C(\tau-\lambda,\,\xi-\eta)}{(|\tau - A(\xi)| + 1)|\xi|^{(\alpha-3)/2}(|\tau - \lambda - A(\xi-\eta)| + 1|^{1/2}}d\lambda$$

$$\leq \frac{\widehat{FG}(\tau, \xi)}{S}.$$

Taking l^2 norm on the integral $\int \widehat{FG}/S d\tau$, we get

$$\left\{\sum_\xi \left(\int \frac{\widehat{FG}(\tau, \xi)}{S} d\tau\right)^2\right\}^{1/2} \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} N(u)^2. \tag{32}$$

The proof of the last case of (24) is again similar to the second one. $\square$

Here we come to the stage that we can prove Theorem 1.

Proof of Theorem 1.   First we combine the results of Theorem 3 and Lemmas 4 and 5 to get, for the nonlinear part $V(t, x)$ of the solution,

$$\|S^{1/2}\widehat{u}_\delta\|_{L^2} \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} N(u)^2. \tag{33}$$

Define the map by

$$Tu(t, x) = \psi_\delta(t)U(t, x) + \psi_\delta(t)V(t, x). \tag{34}$$

Thus the N norm of Tu is bounded by

$$C\big(\|\phi\|_{L^2} + \delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} N(u)^2\big). \tag{35}$$

By choosing sufficiently large M, we have, for suitable δ and R,

$$N(u) \leq M \implies N(Tu) \leq M, \tag{36}$$

provided that $C(\phi) + \delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} M^2 \leq M$.

Next we estimate the difference of Tu and Tv and get

$$N(Tu - Tv) \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} \big(N(u) + N(v)\big) N(u - v). \tag{37}$$

Therefore, again for suitable δ and R, we obtain

$$N(Tu - Tv) \leq \frac{1}{2} N(u - v), \tag{38}$$

provided that $C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(8\alpha)} \big(N(u) + N(v)\big) \leq 1/2$ which can be satisfied by choosing δ small for given M. By Picard's theorem, the map T is a contraction with respect to the norm $N(u)$, hence it has a unique fixed point. $\square$

Remarks   The nonlinear term can be replaced by $\partial_x^\gamma u^2$, but $1 \leq \gamma \leq (\alpha - 1)/2$.

To get global existence we need a conservation law, i.e.$\|u(t)\|_{L^2}$ is constant for all time t. Then we are able to extend the result to global existence.

Theorem 6 *Let $\alpha \geq 3$. If the initial data of (1) is in L^2 (H^s, $s \geq 0$), then there is a unique periodic solution for the IVP of (1) which exists for all time.*

Remarks The method used here can be applied to the following extension of equation (1)

$$u_t + \partial_x^\alpha u + \partial_x^\beta u + u \partial_x u = 0, \tag{39}$$

where $1 < \beta < \alpha$ and $3 \leq \alpha$. (See [K] for a particular case called the fifth order KdV-type equation.)

3. Further Results

In this section, we want to discuss the IVP of (1) for $k \geq 2$. First we consider the case $k = 2$, then $k \geq 3$.

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \partial_x^\alpha u + u^2 \partial_x u = 0, \quad (t,\, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{T}, \\ u(0,\, x) = \phi(x), \end{cases} \tag{40}$$

where $\alpha \geq 3$.

Theorem 7 *For $k = 2$, the IVP of (1) is locally well-posed for data in H^1 (H^s, $s \geq 1$), and for specified $\int_T \phi^2 dx$.*

To prove the Theorem7, we need the followings.

Lemma 8 (Bourgain [B2])

$$\left(f^2 - \int_{\mathbb{T}} f^2 dx \right) \partial_x f =$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \sum_{\substack{\xi - \zeta \neq 0 \\ \xi - \eta \neq 0 \\ \eta + \zeta \neq 0}} \xi \widehat{f}(\eta) \widehat{f}(\zeta) \widehat{f}(\xi - \eta - \zeta) e^{i\xi x} - \sum_{\xi} \widehat{f}(\xi)^2 \widehat{f}(-\xi) e^{i\xi x}.$$

To estimate w we introduce the following norm and notation.

$$|||u|||^2 = \sum (1 + |\xi|^2) \int S |\widehat{u}(\tau,\, \xi)|^2 d\tau \tag{41}$$

$$+ \sum (1 + |\xi|^2) \left(\int |\widehat{u}(\tau, \, \xi)| d\tau \right)^2;$$

$$S = 1 + |\tau - B(\xi)| = 1 + |\tau - A(\xi) + c\xi|.$$

Proposition 9 *For u_δ, we can estimate it as follows.*

$$|||u_\delta|||^2 \leq \sum (1 + |\xi|^2) \int \frac{|\widehat{w}(\tau, \, \xi)|^2}{S} d\tau$$

$$+ \sum (1 + |\xi|^2) \left(\int \frac{|\widehat{w}(\tau, \, \xi)|}{S} d\tau \right)^2.$$

This proposition can be proved in a similar manner as that in [B2].

Proof.   Due to the conservation law, $\int_{\mathbb{T}} u^2(t, \, x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi^2(x) dx$, we denote

$$c = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi^2(x) dx \tag{42}$$

and consider the IVP

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \partial_x^\alpha u + c\partial_x u = 0, \\ u(0, \, x) = \psi(x) \end{cases} \tag{43}$$

for which the solution can be written as

$$u(t, \, x) = S_t \psi(x) = \sum_\xi \widehat{\psi}(\xi) e^{i(\xi x + (A - c\xi)t)}. \tag{44}$$

Consider the integral equation

$$u(t) = S_t \phi + \int_0^t S(t - \tau) w(\tau) d\tau, \tag{45}$$

where $w = [\int_{\mathbb{T}} u^2 dx - u^2] \partial_x u$, which is equivalent to the IVP

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \partial_x^\alpha + c\partial_x u = \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} u^2 dx - u^2 \right) \partial_x u, \\ u(0, \, x) = S_0 \phi = \phi. \end{cases} \tag{46}$$

We construct a sequence of functions $\{u_k\}$ by

$$u_{k+1} = \sum_\xi \widehat{\phi}(\xi) e^{i(\xi x + Bt)} + \sum_\xi e^{i\xi x} \int \widehat{w}_k(\xi, \, \tau) \frac{e^{it\tau} - e^{iBt}}{\tau - B} d\tau \tag{47}$$

where $w_k = [\int_{\mathbb{T}} u_k^2 dx - u_k^2]\partial_x u_k$, and $B = A - c$. Observe that

$$\left|(\tau - B(\xi)) - [(\lambda - B(\eta)) + (\theta - B(\zeta))\right.$$
$$\left. + (\tau - \lambda - \theta - B(\xi - \eta - \zeta))]\right|$$
$$\sim \left||\xi|^\alpha - |\eta|^\alpha - |\zeta|^\alpha - |\xi - \eta - \zeta|^\alpha\right| \qquad (48)$$

To find a lower bound of (48), assume that $\eta + \zeta \neq 0$, $\xi - \eta \neq 0$, and $\xi - \zeta \neq 0$.

Case I: if one or two of $|\xi|$, $|\eta|$, $|\zeta|$ are larger than the others, then

$$(48) \geq \left(|\eta| + |\zeta| + |\xi - \eta - \zeta|\right)^{\alpha-1}. \qquad (49)$$

Case II: if $|\eta| \sim |\zeta| \sim |\xi - \eta - \zeta|$,

$$(48) \geq \left(|\eta| + |\zeta| + |\xi - \eta - \zeta|\right)^{\alpha-2}. \qquad (50)$$

Apply Bourgain's lemma and use the notation $\Omega(\xi) = \{(\eta, \zeta) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 : \eta + \zeta \neq 0, \xi - \eta \neq 0, \xi - \zeta \neq 0\}$, we can rewrite

$$\widehat{w}(\tau, \xi) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\eta, \zeta \in \Omega(\xi)} \xi \int \widehat{u}(\eta, \lambda)\widehat{u}(\zeta, \theta)\widehat{u}(\xi - \eta - \zeta, \tau - \lambda - \theta)d\lambda d\theta$$
$$- \xi \int \widehat{u}(\xi, \lambda)\widehat{u}(\xi, \theta)\widehat{u}(-\xi, \tau - \lambda - \theta)d\lambda d\theta. \qquad (51)$$

Call

$$\widehat{w}_1(\tau, \xi) = \frac{|\xi|}{3} \sum_{\eta, \zeta \in \Omega(\xi)} \int |\widehat{u}|(\eta, \lambda)|\widehat{u}|(\zeta, \theta)|\widehat{u}|(\xi - \eta - \zeta, \tau - \lambda - \theta)d\lambda d\theta$$

$$\widehat{w}_2(\tau, \xi) = |\xi| \int |\widehat{u}|(\xi, \lambda)|\widehat{u}|(\xi, \theta)|\widehat{u}|(-\xi, \tau - \lambda - \theta)d\lambda d\theta$$

So it is sufficient to estimate, for $j = 1, 2$,

$$\sum(1 + |\xi|^2) \int \frac{|\widehat{w}_j(\tau, \xi)|^2}{S} d\tau \quad \text{and}$$
$$\sum(1 + |\xi|^2)\left(\int \frac{|\widehat{w}_j(\tau, \xi)|}{S} d\tau\right)^2, \qquad (52)$$

For the Case I, we distinguish four cases,

$$\begin{cases} |\tau - B(\xi)| \geq |\xi|^{\alpha-1}, \\ |\lambda - B(\eta)| \geq |\xi|^{\alpha-1}, \\ |\theta - B(\zeta)| \geq |\xi|^{\alpha-1}, \\ |\tau - \lambda - \theta - B(\xi - \eta - \zeta)| \geq |\xi|^{\alpha-1}. \end{cases} \tag{53}$$

For the Case II, we employ the inequality $(1 + |\xi|)|\xi| < C|\eta||\zeta|$. We can control the solution u by the norm $||| \cdot |||$ and get

$$|||Tu||| \leq C\delta^{(\alpha-1)/(4\alpha)}|||u|||^3. \tag{54}$$

Fixed point argument ensures the existence and uniqueness of the solution. □

To get global existence we need conservation laws. We first discuss briefly how to derive those conserved quantities given in (5). For the first one, it is straightforward to get that $\int_{\mathbb{T}} u(t)dx = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi dx$. The second one can be proved as follows. Multiplying the equation (1) by u and integrating by parts, we get

$$\int \frac{1}{2}\partial_t(u^2)dx + \int u\partial_x^\alpha u dx = 0.$$

Using the identity $|\widetilde{u}(t, -\xi)| = |\widetilde{u}(t, \xi)|$, we can prove that the second integral above is 0 which implies that $\|u(t)\|_{L^2}$ is conserved. For the last one, we first take the integral operator ∂_x^{-1} on the equation, multiply by u_t and then integrate by parts.

Next we apply those conservation laws to obtain the boundedness of $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$ norm of solution. We first use interpolation inequalities to bound H^1-norm of u, cf. [L]. Let us assume that u is a smooth periodic function temporarily and denote by

$$\begin{cases} \int_{\mathbb{T}} u^2 dx = F_0, \quad \max|u(x)| = M, \\ \int_{\mathbb{T}} \big(\partial_x^{(\alpha-1)/2}u\big)^2 - \frac{2u^{k+2}}{(k+1)(k+2)}dx = F_1, \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} u_x^2 dx = S. \end{cases} \tag{55}$$

Since u is smooth, there exists a point x_0 such that

$$u^2(x_0) = \int_T u^2(x)dx = F_0, \tag{56}$$

we apply the identity $u(x) = u(x_0) + \int_{x_0}^{x} u_x dx$ to get

$$u^2(x) \leq 2u^2(x_0) + 2\int u_x^2 dx \leq 2F_0 + 2S.$$

This implies that $M^2 \leq 2F_0 + 2S$. On the other hand, we can bound S as follows.

$$S = \int_{\mathbb{T}} u_x^2 dx \leq C\left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\partial_x^{(\alpha-1)/2} u\right)^2 dx + \int_T u^2 dx\right)$$
$$\leq C\left(F_1 + F_0 + \frac{2M^k}{(k+1)(k+2)}F_0 dx\right).$$

Hence we have

$$M^2 \leq 2F_0 + 2C(F_1 + F_0) + \frac{2CF_0}{(k+1)(k+2)}M^k. \qquad (57)$$

Thus we can deduce that M is bounded by some constant $C = C(F_0, F_1)$, provided that F_0 and F_1 are small. Also we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\partial_x^{(\alpha-1)/2} u\right)^2 dx \leq F_1 + \frac{2C(F_0, F_1)^k}{(k+1)(k+2)}F_0. \qquad (58)$$

Another approach to bound the $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$-norm of solution u is that we interpolate between the L^2 and $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$-norms, see [B1]. Using Hölder and Sobolev inequalities, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\partial_x^{(\alpha-1)/2} u\right)^2 dx = F_1 + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{2u^{k+2}}{(k+1)(k+2)}dx$$
$$\leq F_1 + C\|u\|_{L^2}\|u\|_{L^{2(k+1)}}^{k+1} \qquad (59)$$
$$\leq F_1 + C\|\phi\|_{L^2}\|u\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}}^{k+1}.$$

This implies that if $\|\phi\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}}$ is small, then we have

$$\|u(t)\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}} \leq C \quad \text{for all } t. \qquad (60)$$

Thus we have proved

Theorem 10 *For $k = 2$, the IVP of (1) is globally well-posed for small data in $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$ (H^S, $s \geq (\alpha-1)/2$), and for specified $\int_T \phi^2 dx$.*

For the case $k \geq 3$, besides ideas in [B2], we use those in [S] as well.

Definition i) The space $Y^{s,b}$, $s, b \geq 0$, is the closure of the Schwartz functions $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R})$, with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{Y^{s,b}} = \max_{i=1,2,3} \nu_i^{(s,b)}(f), \tag{61}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \nu_1^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{f}|(\tau, \xi) d\tau \right)^2 \\[2ex] \nu_2^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{f}|^2(\tau, \xi)(1 + |\tau - A(\xi)|)^{2b} d\tau \\[2ex] \nu_3^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s-2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{f}|^2(\tau, \xi)(1 + |\tau - A(\xi)|)^{2b+1} d\tau. \end{cases} \tag{62}$$

Denote the space $Y^{s,b}[-\delta, \delta]$ of functions defined on $\mathbb{T} \times [-\delta, \delta]$ with the restriction norm

$$\|f\|_{Y^{s,b}[-\delta, \delta]} = \inf \|F\|_{Y^{s,b}}, \tag{63}$$

where the infimum is taken over all the extensions F of f on $\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$.

ii) The space $\overline{Y}^{s,b}$, $s, b \geq 0$, is the closure of the Schwartz functions $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R})$, with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{\overline{Y}^{s,b}} = \max_{i=1,2,3,4} \mu_i^{(s,b)}(f), \tag{64}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \mu_1^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s} \left(\int_{|\tau - A(\xi)>|\xi|} |\widehat{f}|(\tau, \xi) d\tau \right)^2 \\[2ex] \mu_2^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s} \int_{|\tau - A(\xi)>|\xi|} |\widehat{f}|^2(1 + |\tau - A(\xi)|)^{2b} d\tau \\[2ex] \mu_3^{(s,b)}(f)^2 = \sum_\xi (1 + |\xi|)^{2s-2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{f}|^2(\tau, \xi)(1 + |\tau - A(\xi)|)^{4b} d\tau \\[2ex] \mu_4^{(s,b)}(f) = \|\partial_x^s f\|_{L_t^\infty L_x^2}. \end{cases} \tag{65}$$

As in i), we have the space $\overline{Y}^{s,b}[-\delta, \delta]$.

iii) Let f and g be functions on $\mathbb{T} \times [-\delta, \delta]$ and F and G be the

extensions on $\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$. Denote

$$\begin{cases} \beta_F(t) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} F^k(t, x) dx \\ \mathcal{F}(F)(\tau, \xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-it\tau} e^{i\xi \int_0^t \beta_F(\sigma) d\sigma} \widetilde{F}(t, \xi) dt \end{cases} \qquad (66)$$

$$\begin{cases} d_1^s(F, G)^2 = \sum_{\xi} (1+|\xi|)^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\mathcal{F}(F) - \mathcal{F}(G)|(\tau, \xi) d\tau \right)^2 \\ d_2^s(F, G)^2 = \sum_{\xi} (1+|\xi|)^{2s} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\mathcal{F}(F) - \mathcal{F}(G)|^2 (1+|\tau - A|)^{2b} d\tau \quad (67) \\ d_3^s(F, G)^2 = \sum_{\xi} (1+|\xi|)^{2s} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\mathcal{F}(F) - \mathcal{F}(G)|^2 (1+|\tau - A|)^{4b} d\tau. \end{cases}$$

Then denote the metric space by $X_k^{s, b}[-\delta, \delta]$ with respect to the metric

$$d_*^s(F, G) = \inf_{FG} \left\{ \sum_i d_i^s(F, G) \right\}. \qquad (68)$$

The space $X_k^{s, b}[-\delta, \delta]$ is a complete metric space, $s \geq 1/2$, $b \geq 0$, see [S].

Theorem 11   *Consider the IVP* (1) *for* $k \geq 3$. *If* $\phi \in H^s$, $s \geq (\alpha - 1)/2$, *then there exists* $\delta = \delta(\|\phi\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}})$ *and a unique solution* u *in the space* $X_k^{s, b}[-\delta, \delta]$ *such that*

$$d_*^s(u, 0) \leq C\|\phi\|_{H^s}. \qquad (69)$$

To prove Theorem 11, we consider the associated problem of IVP (1),

$$\begin{cases} v_t + \partial_x^\alpha v + \left(v^k - \int_{\mathbb{T}} v^k dx \right) \partial_x v = 0, \quad (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{T}; \\ v(0, x) = \phi(x), \end{cases} \qquad (70)$$

Consider

$$\widetilde{u}(t, \xi) = e^{i\xi \int_0^t \beta_v(\sigma) d\sigma} \widetilde{v}(t, \xi). \qquad (71)$$

The importance of the IVP (70) is that if v is a solution for the problem, then u given by above is a solution for IVP (1).

Proposition 12 *Let $\phi \in H^s$ and $s \geq (\alpha - 1)/2$. Then there exists $\delta = \delta(\|\phi\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}})$ such that the problem (70) is well posed in $Y^{s,1/2}[-\delta, \delta]$ and the solution satisfies the bound*

$$\|v\|_{Y^{s,1/2}[-\delta,\delta]} \leq C\|\phi\|_{H^s}. \tag{72}$$

The proof relies on Bourgain's ideas and following lemma.

Lemma 13 (Bourgain, [B2]) *If $w \in Y^{s,1/2}$, $s \geq 1$ and denote*

$$P(\tau, \xi) = [\psi_\delta(w^k - \beta_w)\partial_x w]^\sim(\tau, \xi), \tag{73}$$

$$\begin{cases} \left(\sum_\xi \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 + |\xi|)^{2s-2}|P(\tau, \xi)|^2 d\tau \right)^{1/2} \\ \qquad\qquad\qquad \leq C\delta^\epsilon \|w\|_{Y^{1,1/2}}\|w\|^k_{Y^{s,1/2}} \\ \left(\sum_\xi \int_{\tau - A(\xi) \leq (|\xi|^2)/200} (1 + |\xi|)^{2s}|P|^2 d\tau \right)^{1/2} \\ \qquad\qquad\qquad \leq C\delta^\epsilon \|w\|_{Y^{1,1/2}}\|w\|^k_{Y^{s,1/2}}, \end{cases} \tag{74}$$

for some $\epsilon > 0$.

Proof of Proposition 12. Define the map T on $Y^{s,1/2}[-\delta, \delta]$ such that

$$\widetilde{T(v)}(t, \xi) = \psi(t)e^{-itA(\xi)}\widehat{\phi}(\xi)$$

$$+ \psi_\delta(t) \int_0^t e^{-i(t-s)A(\xi)}\mathcal{F}\big((v^k - \beta_v)\partial_x v\big)(s, \xi)ds. \tag{75}$$

We want to show that the map T is a contraction.

As in Theorem 1, we first split $T(v)$ into linear and nonlinear parts and denoted by U and V respectively.

$$\begin{cases} \widetilde{U}(t, \xi) = \psi(t)e^{-itA(\xi)}\widehat{\phi}(\xi) \\ \widetilde{V}(t, \xi) = \psi_\delta(t) \int_0^t e^{-i(t-s)A(\xi)}\mathcal{F}\big((v^k - \beta_v)\partial_x v\big)(s, \xi)ds. \end{cases} \tag{76}$$

To estimate U, we follow arguments in [KPV1] and [S] obtain, for $j = 1, 2, 3$,

$$\nu_j^s(U) \leq C\|\phi\|_{H^s}. \tag{77}$$

To estimate V, we follow Bourgain's argument, and use Lemma 13 and

$$\|\partial_X^s w\|_{L_t^\infty L_x^2}^2 \le \sum_\xi \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} (1+|\xi|)^s |\widetilde{w}(\tau, \xi) d\tau \right)^2. \tag{78}$$

We have, for $j = 1, 2, 3$,

$$\nu_j^s(V)^2 \le C\delta^{2\gamma} \|v\|_{Y^{1,\,1/2}}^2 \|v\|_{Y^{s,\,1/2}}^{2k}. \tag{79}$$

Hence we obtain

$$\|T(v)\|_{Y^{s,\,1/2}[-\delta,\,\delta]} \le C\|\phi\|_{H^s} + \delta^\gamma \|v\|_{Y^{1,\,1/2}[-\delta,\,\delta]} \|v\|_{Y^{s,\,1/2}[-\delta,\,\delta]}^k. \tag{80}$$

Thus if $\delta = \delta(\|\phi\|_{H^1})$ is small, then, for $R = C(\|\phi\|_{H^s})$, T is a contraction from a ball B_R into itself.

Next we observe that

$$\mathcal{F}(Tu - Tv)(t, \xi) = \psi_\delta(t) \int_0^t e^{-i(t-s)A(\xi)} \cdot$$
$$\mathcal{F}([(u-v)P_{k-1}(u, v) - (\beta_u - \beta_v)]\partial_x v) \cdot$$
$$\mathcal{F}((u^k - \beta_u)\partial_x(u-v))ds \tag{81}$$

which suggest that we can consider the integral equation

$$\widetilde{w}(t, \xi) = \psi_\delta(t) \int_0^t e^{-i(t-s)A(\xi)} \cdot$$
$$\mathcal{F}([wP_{k-1}(u, v) - \theta(s)]\partial_x v)\mathcal{F}(u^k - \beta_u)\partial_x w)ds, \tag{82}$$

where $P_{k-1}(u, v)$ is a polynomial of degree $k-1$ and $\theta(t) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} wP_{k-1}(u, v)dx$. Let Φ be the operator defined on $Y^{s,\,1/2}[-\delta_1, \delta_1]$, $\delta_1 < \delta$, by the above integral equation. We can show that there exists $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\|u\|_{Y^{s,1/2}}, \|v\|_{Y^{s,1/2}})$ such that Φ is a contraction from a ball B_ρ into itself, for arbitrary ρ. By uniqueness, we have $u = v$ almost everywhere on $[-\delta_1, \delta_1]$. Repeating the argument finite times, we conclude the proof. $\square$

The proof of Theorem 11 is basically the same as that given in [S].

Theorem 14 *For $k > 2$, the IVP of (1) is globally well-posed for data in $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$ (H^s, $s \ge (\alpha-1)/2$), with sufficiently small $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$-norm.*

4. Proof of A priori Estimate

In this part, we want to prove Theorem 2.

Theorem 2 *If $\alpha \geq 2$, then we have the following estimates*

$$\begin{cases} \|f\|_{L^4(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})} \leq C\big\|S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)}\widehat{f}\big\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})}, \\[2mm] \big\|\dfrac{\widehat{f}}{S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)}}\big\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{Z})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{4/3}(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})}. \end{cases} \tag{83}$$

Proof. First we split the function f into positive and negative parts with respect to the dual of space variable and denote

$$f = f^+ + f^- = \sum_{\xi \geq 0} e^{ix\xi}\widetilde{f}(t,\,\xi) + \sum_{\xi < 0} e^{ix\xi}\widetilde{f}(t,\,\xi). \tag{84}$$

It suffices to prove that f^+ and f^- both satisfy the estimate. We will only prove the case of f^+ since the proof for f^- is similar. Hence we replace f^+ by f and decompose the function in the following way. Choose a smooth function $\widehat{a}$ with support in $[2^{-1},\,2]$. Let $\widehat{a}_j(\tau) = \widehat{a}(2^{-j}\tau)$ and $\widehat{a}_0 = 1 - \sum\widehat{a}_j$. Consider

$$f(t,\,x) = \sum_j f_j(t,\,x), \quad \text{where } \widehat{f}_j(\tau,\,\xi) = \widehat{a}_j(\tau - |\xi|^\alpha)\widehat{f}(\tau,\,\xi). \tag{85}$$

Thus we have

$$\|f\|_{L^4}^2 \leq \sum_{j,\,k}\|f_j f_k\|_{L^2}. \tag{86}$$

Observe that $(f_j f_k)(t,\,x)$ can be written as

$$\iint \sum_{\xi_1\xi_2} e^{i(t(\tau_1+\tau_2)+x(\xi_1+\xi_2))}\widehat{f}_j(\tau_1,\,\xi_1)\widehat{f}_k(\tau_2,\,\xi_2)d\tau_1 d\tau_2. \tag{87}$$

We choose a change of variables

$$\begin{cases} \tau = \tau_1 + \tau_2, \quad \xi = \xi_1 + \xi_2, \\ p = p_1 + p_2, \quad q = p_2, \end{cases} \tag{88}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} p_1 = \tau_1 - |\xi_1|^\alpha \in \Delta_j = [2^{j-1},\,2^{j+1}], \\ p_2 = \tau_2 - |\xi_2|^\alpha \in \Delta_k = [2^{k-1},\,2^{k+1}]. \end{cases} \tag{89}$$

(Without loss of generality, we assume that p_1 and p_2 are both positive. The case of negative p_1 and p_2 can be treated in the same manner.) Thus,

$f_j f_k$ can be rewritten as follows.

$$(f_j f_k)(t,\,x) = \int \sum_{\xi} e^{i(t\tau + x\xi)} \widehat{G}_{jk}(\tau,\,\xi) d\tau, \tag{90}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \widehat{G}_{jk}(\tau,\,\xi) = \displaystyle\int_{\Delta_k} \sum_{p \in \Lambda_j} (\widehat{f}_j \widehat{f}_k)(\tau,\,\xi,\,q,\,p) dq & \text{and} \\ \Lambda_j(\tau,\,\xi,\,q) = \left\{ p \in \Delta_j + q \colon \xi_1,\,\xi_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \right\}. \end{cases} \tag{91}$$

Applying Plancherel's Theorem, we have

$$\|f_j f_k\|_{L^2} = \|\widehat{G}_{jk}\|_{L^2}. \tag{92}$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that $j > k$. Observe that

$$\|\widehat{G}_{jk}\|_{L^2}^2 = \int \sum_{\xi} \left| \int_{\Delta_k} \sum_{p \in \Lambda_j} (\widehat{f}_j \widehat{f}_k)(\tau,\,\xi,\,q,\,p) dq \right|^2 d\tau. \tag{93}$$

Claim

$$\sup_{\tau,\,\xi,\,q} |\Lambda_j| \le C 2^{j/\alpha}. \tag{94}$$

Assuming the claim, we get

$$\|\widehat{G}_{jk}\|_{L^2}^2 \le \frac{1}{2^{\{(\alpha-1)/(2\alpha)\}(j-k)}} \cdot$$
$$\left\| S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)} \widehat{f}_j \right\|_{L^2}^2 \left\| S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)} \widehat{f}_k \right\|_{L^2}^2. \tag{95}$$

The case of $j < k$ can be treated in a similar fashion. Thus we have

$$\|f^+\|_{L^4}^2 \le \sum_{jk} \frac{1}{2^{\{(\alpha-1)/(2\alpha)\}|j-k|}} \left\| S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)} \widehat{f} \right\|_{L^2}^2. \tag{96}$$

Therefore we obtain

$$\|f\|_{L^4}^2 \le \left\| S^{(1+\alpha)/(4\alpha)} \widehat{f} \right\|_{L^2}^2 \sum_{jk} \frac{1}{2^{\{(\alpha-1)/(2\alpha)\}|j-k|}} \tag{97}$$

which implies that f satisfies the estimate. $\qquad\qquad\square$

Proof of the Claim. Since

$$\Lambda_j(\tau,\,\xi,\,q) = \big\{ p \in \Delta_j + q \colon \xi_1,\,\xi_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \big\}, \tag{98}$$

we can deduce that

$$\tau - q - 2^{j+1} \le \xi_1^\alpha + \xi_2^\alpha \le \tau - q - 2^{j-1}. \tag{99}$$

Denote

$$\begin{cases} A = \tau - q - 2^{j+1}, \quad M = 3 \cdot 2^{j-1}, \\ d(a,\,b) = |a - b| \colon \text{the distance between point } a \text{ and point } b. \end{cases} \tag{100}$$

Thus we can rewrite the above inequality as

$$A \le \xi_1^\alpha + \xi_2^\alpha \le A + M, \tag{101}$$

and distinguish the cases, $A \gg M$, $A \sim M$ and $A \ll M$.

Let C_1 and C_2 be the graphs of level curves of $|\xi_1|^\alpha + |\xi_2|^\alpha$ at A and $A + M$ respectively.

$$\begin{cases} C_1 = \{(\xi_1,\,\xi_2) \colon |\xi_1|^\alpha + |\xi_2|^\alpha = A\}; \\ C_2 = \{(\xi_1,\,\xi_2) \colon |\xi_1|^\alpha + |\xi_2|^\alpha = A + M\}. \end{cases} \tag{102}$$

Notice that we can only consider the first quadrant. It can be shown easily that, along each level curve, the farthest point to the origin is on the line $\xi_1 = \xi_2$ and the nearest points to the origin are on the axes. Hence $|\Lambda_j(\tau,\,\xi,\,q)|$ can be interpreted as the number of lattice points which lie on the straight line $\xi_1 + \xi_2 = \xi$ and fall into the region between curves C_1 and C_2.

For the case $A \gg M$, let C_3 be a circumscribed circle to the curve C_2,

$$C_3 = \left\{ (\xi_1,\,\xi_2) \colon \xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 = 2 \sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{(A+M)^2}{4}} \right\}, \tag{103}$$

then the largest possible line segment in the region is on the line l,

$$l = \left\{ (\xi_1,\,\xi_2) \colon \xi_1 + \xi_2 = 2 \sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{A}{2}} \right\}, \tag{104}$$

which is tangent to the curve C_1, see Fig. 1. Let a and b be the intersections
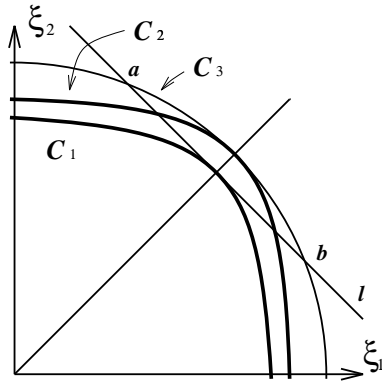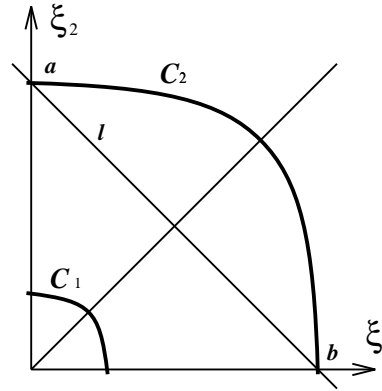
Fig. 1   Fig. 2

of the line l and the circle C_3, then we get

$$d^2 \sim \sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{A^2}{4}} - \left(2\sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{A^2}{4}} - \sqrt[\alpha]{\frac{(A+M)^2}{4}} \right) \leq C \sqrt[\alpha]{M^2}. \qquad (105)$$

For the case $A \sim M$, the previous argument goes through.

For the case $A \ll M$, since C_1 is small, we can take the line segment l between two intercepts of C_2,

$$l = \{(\xi_1, \xi_2): \xi_1 + \xi_2 = \sqrt[\alpha]{A+M}\}, \qquad (106)$$

see Fig. 2, and estimate

$$d \sim \sqrt[\alpha]{A+M} \leq C 2^{j/\alpha}. \qquad (107)$$

$\square$

Remark It is known that the L^6-norm estimate is not true. In fact, Bourgain proved the estimate

$$\left\| \sum_{|n|<N} a_n e^{i(nx+n^3 t)} \right\|_6 \ll N^\epsilon \left(\sum |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \qquad (108)$$

in his paper [B2]. The optimal estimate should be a L^p estimate for $4 \leq p < 6$, see [B1] and [FG].

5. The Polynomial Bound

In the final part, we discuss a polynomial bound for H^s-norm of the global solution. First we recall two technical lemmas.

Lemma 15 (Kenig-Ponce-Vega, [KPV3]) *Assume that $0 \leq \rho \leq 1/2$ and $\epsilon > 0$ is small. Assume also that $\nu_2^{(-\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2)}(u)$ and $\nu_2^{(-\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2)}(v)$ are bounded and $\int_{\mathbb{T}} u(t,\,x)dx = \int_{\mathbb{T}} v(t,\,x)dx = 0$. Then*

$$\nu_2^{(-\rho-\epsilon,\,(-1/2)+\epsilon)}(\partial_x(uv)) \leq C\nu_2^{(-\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2)}(u)\nu_2^{(-\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2)}(v). \qquad (109)$$

Lemma 16 (Staffilani, [S]) *Assume that $\rho \geq 0$, $\epsilon > 0$ is small and $k \geq 3$. Then*

$$\nu_2^{(\rho+\epsilon,\,(1/2)-\epsilon)}(\mathcal{X}_{[0,\,1]}u^k) \leq C\|u\|_{Y^{1+\rho,\,1/2}}\|u\|_{Y^{1,\,1/2}}^{k-1}. \qquad (110)$$

Instead of proving Theorem B, we state and prove a more general result.

Theorem 17 *Consider IVP (1) and assume that there exists an a-priori bound for the $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$-norm of u. Then if $\phi \in H^s$ and $s \geq (\alpha-1)/2$, the global solution satisfies the bounds*

$$\begin{cases} \|u(t)\|_{H^s} \leq C|t|^{s/\rho} \quad \textit{provided} \quad \rho + 1 \leq \dfrac{\alpha-1}{2} < S; \\[2mm] \|u(t)\|_{H^s} \leq C|t|^{4s/(2\rho+(\alpha-3))} \quad \textit{provided} \quad \dfrac{\alpha-1}{2} < \rho + 1 < S. \end{cases} \qquad (111)$$

Proof. It is sufficient to show that, for all $t \in [0,\,\delta/2]$,

$$\|\partial_x^s u(t)\|_{L_x^2} \leq \|\partial_x^s \phi\|_{L_x^2} + C\|\partial_x^s \phi\|_{L_x^2}^{1-\delta}, \qquad (112)$$

where δ^{-1} is the exponents in Proposition 9. Since

$$\|\partial_x^s u(t)\|_{L_x^2}^2 = \|\partial_x^s \phi\|_{L_x^2}^2 + \int_0^t \frac{d}{d\sigma}\|\partial_x^s u(\sigma)\|_{L_x^2}^2 d\sigma$$

$$= \|\partial_x^s \phi\|_{L_x^2}^2 - \int_{\mathbb{R}}\int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{X}_{[0,\,t]}u^k \partial_x(\partial_x^s u)^2 dx d\sigma$$

$$+ \text{ lower order terms.}$$

Call

$$J = \int_{\mathbb{R}}\int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathcal{X}_{[0,\,t]}u^k \partial_x(\partial_x^s u)^2 dx d\sigma \qquad (113)$$

and set

$$\widetilde{w}(t,\,\xi) = e^{i\xi \int_0^t \beta_u(\sigma)d\sigma}\widetilde{u}(t,\,\xi). \tag{114}$$

Taking Fourier transform with respect to space variable, multiplying by $e^{i\xi \int_0^t \beta_u d\sigma}$, then taking Fourier transform with respect to time variable, we have

$$J = \sum_\xi \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\widehat{\mathcal{X}_{[0,t]}w^k}}(\tau,\,\xi)\partial_x\widehat{(\partial_x^s w)^2}(\tau,\,\xi)d\tau$$

$$\le \sum_\xi \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{\mathcal{X}_{[0,t]}w^k}|(\tau,\,\xi)(1+|\xi|)^{\rho+\epsilon}(1+|\tau-A(\xi))^{1/2-\epsilon} \cdot$$

$$|\partial_x\widehat{(\partial_x^s w)^2}|(\tau,\,\xi)(1+|\xi|)^{-\rho-\epsilon}(1+|\tau-A(\xi))^{-1/2+\epsilon}d\tau$$

$$\le \nu_2^{(\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2-\epsilon)}(\mathcal{X}_{[0,1]}u^k)\nu_2^{(-\rho-\epsilon,\,-1/2+\epsilon)}(\partial_x(\partial_x^s u)^2).$$

Employing Lemmas, Theorem 7, and interpolation between the $H^{(\alpha-1)/2}$ and the H^s norms, we obtain

$$J \le C\|w\|_{Y^{1+\rho,\,1/2}}\|w\|_{Y^{1,\,1/2}}^{k-1}[\nu_2^{(-\rho+\epsilon,\,1/2)}(\partial_x^s w)]^2$$

$$\le Cd_*^{1+\rho}(u,\,0)d_*^1(u,\,0)^{k-1}d_*^{s-\rho+\epsilon}(u,\,0)^2$$

$$\le C\|\phi\|_{H^{1+\rho}}\|\phi\|_{H^1}^{k-1}\|\phi\|_{H^{s-\rho+\epsilon}}^2.$$

For $\rho + 1 \le (\alpha-1)/2 < S$, interpolation gives

$$J \le C(\|\phi\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}})\|\phi\|_{H^s}^{2(1-2(\rho-\epsilon)/\{2s-(\alpha-1)\})}. \tag{115}$$

If we choose $\epsilon = \rho((\alpha-1)/(2s))$, we have

$$\|u(t)\|_{H^s} \le C|t|^{s/\rho}. \tag{116}$$

For $(\alpha-1)/2 < \rho + 1 < S$, interpolation gives

$$J \le C(\|\phi\|_{H^{(\alpha-1)/2}})\|\phi\|_{H^s}^{2(1-\{\rho+(\alpha-3)/2-2\epsilon\}/\{2s-(\alpha-1)\})}. \tag{117}$$

Choose $\epsilon = \{(\alpha-1)(\rho+(\alpha-3)/2)\}/\{4s\}$, we have

$$\|u(t)\|_{H^s} \le C|t|^{\{4s\}/\{2\rho+(\alpha-3)\}}. \tag{118}$$

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