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We consider the initial-boundary value problem for the one-dimensional in space dissipative Boussinesq equation in a noncylindrical domain of \mathbb{R}^2 , namely

$$u_{tt}(x, t) - \left(u(x, t) + u_t(x, t) + u^2(x, t) \right)_{xx} + u_{xxxx}(x, t) = 0 \quad \text{in } \widehat{\mathcal{Q}}, \quad (1)$$

$$u(\alpha(t), t) = u(\beta(t), t) = u_x(\alpha(t), t) = u_x(\beta(t), t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t \geq 0, \quad (2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x); \quad u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x) \quad \text{for } x \in [\alpha_0, \beta_0]. \quad (3)$$

Here α and β are real functions defined on $[0, \infty)$, $\alpha(0) = \alpha_0 < \beta_0 = \beta(0)$ and

$$\widehat{\mathcal{Q}} = \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \alpha(t) < x < \beta(t) \quad \text{and} \quad t \geq 0\}$$

is a noncylindrical domain. The noncylindrical domain $\widehat{\mathcal{Q}}$ means that the beam at rest is model by the interval $[\alpha_0, \beta_0]$ and its ends change in time according the functions $\alpha(t)$ and $\beta(t)$, due for instance by a temperature variation. We prove the global solvability to this problem and the exponential decay for the associated energy as $t \rightarrow \infty$. (Received January 22, 2008)