ON A STOCHASTIC NONLINEAR EQUATION IN ONE-DIMENSIONAL VISCOELASTICITY

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we discuss an initial-boundary value problem for a stochastic nonlinear equation arising in one-dimensional viscoelasticity. We propose to use a new direct method to obtain a solution. This method is expected to be applicable to a broad class of nonlinear stochastic partial differential equations.

0. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we will discuss an initial-boundary value problem associated with one-dimensional viscoelasticity of rate type with random force. The equation is of the following form:

$$(0.1) \quad u_{tt} = \eta(u_x, u_{tx})_x + \xi + f,$$

where $u(t, x)$ is the displacement, η is the stress function depending on the deformation gradient u_x and its time derivative u_{tx} , ξ is a random perturbation depending on u_{tx} , and f represents a given random body force. When $\xi \equiv 0$, f is deterministic and η is linear in u_{tx} , solutions were obtained by Greenberg, MacCamy and Mizel [8] and Andrews [1]. When η is nonlinear in u_{tx} , Dafermos [4] proved the existence and uniqueness of a solution. Here the principal part of the equation is patterned after the equation discussed in [4], but with random force. There are many known results on semi-linear stochastic evolution equations. In particular, semi-linear parabolic equations have been extensively investigated. See references in Da Prato and Zabczyk [5]. The major tool in this case is the stochastic convolution. This approach was also adopted in de Bouard and Debussche [6], and Printems [13]. For quasi-linear stochastic equations, only a particular class of equations has been analyzed. The main reason is that we do not have compactness of approximate solutions which ensures strong convergence, which is crucial to handle the nonlinearity. Let us elaborate on this. For deterministic equations, we typically obtain uniform estimates for a sequence of approximate solutions in a Banach space $\mathcal{X}$ which is compactly imbedded into another Banach space $\mathcal{Y}$. Then, we can extract a subsequence which converges strongly in $\mathcal{Y}$. In case of a stochastic version of the same equation, typical estimates are obtained in the space $L^p(\Omega; \mathcal{X})$ where Ω is a probability space. Unfortunately, the embedding $L^p(\Omega; \mathcal{X}) \rightarrow L^p(\Omega; \mathcal{Y})$ is not compact. But if the property of a monotone operator can be used, then weak convergence is enough to obtain a solution by Minty's method. This is exactly the

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case with the class of quasi-linear stochastic equations that has been analyzed in the past. We will briefly review what has been known. The general form of an equation in this class is

$$(0.2) \quad v_t = A(t, v) + f,$$

where f is random. To formulate the conditions on the nonlinear term $A(t, v)$, we consider a Hilbert space H , and a Banach space V and its dual V' such that there is a continuous injection: $V \rightarrow H \rightarrow V'$. The typical assumptions on A are as follows.

- (i) For some constants $M > 0$, and $p \geq 2$, $\|A(t, v)\|_{V'} \leq M\|v\|_V^{p-1}$ holds for all t and $v \in V$.
- (ii) For all t and $v_1, v_2 \in V$, $\langle A(t, v_1) - A(t, v_2), v_1 - v_2 \rangle_{V', V} \leq 0$ holds.
- (iii) For some positive constants M and λ , $\langle A(t, v), v \rangle_{V', V} \leq -M\|v\|_V^p + \lambda|v|_H^2$ holds for all $v \in V$ and all t .
- (iv) For each t , the operator $A(t, \cdot)$ is hemicontinuous from V into V' , and for each $v \in V$, $A(\cdot, v)$ is strongly measurable.

Here $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{V', V}$ is the duality pairing between V' and V . When f is deterministic, a prototype for quasi-linear equations was fully investigated in Lions [9]. Stochastic versions were discussed in Benssousan and Temam [2], Métivier and Pistone [10], Métivier and Viot [11], and Pardoux [12]. The above conditions were essentially used. Here the condition (i) is a growth condition and p is usually larger than 2. The condition (ii) requires that A is monotone. It can be a little relaxed by considering $ve^{\lambda t}$ in place of v in (0.2). The coercive condition (iii) combined with (i) imposes a severe restriction on the form of $A(t, v)$. However, if sufficient a priori estimates can be obtained without (i) or (iii), the argument of Minty's method can be still used only by (ii) and (iv). Nevertheless this monotonicity condition can be essentially broken by various random nonlinear terms of lower order. In such cases, Minty's method cannot be used. The particular equation discussed in this work is such an example.

The main goal of this work is to find an alternative method to overcome the difficulty due to the lack of compactness explained above. Perhaps one alternative is first to obtain a uniform estimate of approximate solutions in $L^p(\Omega; \mathcal{X})$, and construct a martingale solution with values in $\mathcal{Y}$ via the Skorokhod theorem, where $\mathcal{X}$ is compactly embedded into $\mathcal{Y}$. Then, the pathwise uniqueness yields a solution of the original problem with values in $\mathcal{Y}$. This highly nontrivial result was proved by Yamada and Watanabe [18], and the procedure was extended to stochastic partial differential equations by Viot [16]. This approach was used for a semilinear heat equation by Viot [14], and for the stochastic KdV equation by Printems [13].

Here we propose to use a more direct method to construct solutions. As usual, we first set up a scheme of Galerkin approximation and obtain a priori estimates. But the method of constructing a pathwise solution is entirely different from all the previous methods. We use a very simple measure-theoretic argument combined with the pathwise uniqueness. This approach bypasses martingale solutions and dispenses with other heavy machinery. Furthermore, the solution has values in the smaller space $\mathcal{X}$ in the above setting. Our method is expected to have applications to many other nonlinear stochastic partial differential equations. The problem will be formulated and the main result will be presented in Section 1, and the technical proof will be given in Section 2.

1. FORMULATION OF THE PROBLEM AND THE MAIN RESULT

We will follow the stochastic functional setting in Walsh [17]. Let $\mathcal{B}([0, \infty) \times [0, 1])$ be the set of all Borel subsets of $[0, \infty) \times [0, 1]$, and μ be the Lebesgue measure over R^2 . Let $\{W(h)\}$ with $h \in L^2([0, \infty) \times [0, 1], \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ be a centered Gaussian family of random variables on a complete probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ such that the covariance is given by

$$(1.1) \quad E(W(g)W(h)) = \langle g, h \rangle_{L^2([0, \infty) \times [0, 1], \mathcal{B}, \mu)}.$$

Let $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ be a right-continuous filtration on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ such that $\mathcal{F}_0$ contains all P -negligible sets and $W(\chi_{[0, t] \times A})$ is $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable for each $A \in \mathcal{B}([0, 1])$ and $t \geq 0$. Here $\chi_{[0, t] \times A}$ is the characteristic function of the set $[0, t] \times A$. Then, $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, P)$ is our stochastic basis and W is the white noise. A Brownian sheet is defined by

$$(1.2) \quad B(t, x) = W(\chi_{[0, t] \times [0, x]}).$$

We assume that the random force f in (0.1) is given by

$$(1.3) \quad f = \Phi \frac{\partial^2 B(t, x)}{\partial t \partial x},$$

where Φ is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator from $L^2(0, 1)$ into $H^1(0, 1)$. Similar random force was also used in de Bouard and Debussche [6]. An example of such a force is

$$(1.4) \quad f = \sum_{j=1}^N c_j(x) \frac{d}{dt} b_j(t),$$

where each $c_j \in H^1(0, 1)$ and b_j 's are the standard Brownian motions which are mutually independent and adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$. Throughout this paper, we denote by $H^s(0, 1)$ the usual Sobolev space of order s over the open interval $(0, 1)$. We also make the following assumptions on η .

[I] $\eta \in C^1(R^2)$ and $\eta(0, 0) = 0$ with the following properties:
for some positive constants M_1, M_2 and M_3 ,

$$(1.5) \quad \eta_q(p, q) \geq M_1, \quad \text{for all } p, q,$$

$$(1.6) \quad |\eta_p(p, q)| \leq M_2 \sqrt{\eta_q(p, q)}, \quad \text{for all } p, q,$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad |\eta(p, q)| \leq M_3(1 + |p| + |q|)^5, \quad \text{for all } p, q,$$

where $\eta_p = \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \eta$, and $\eta_q = \frac{\partial}{\partial q} \eta$. The assumptions on $\xi = \xi(t, \omega, h)$ are as follows.

[II] For each $t \geq 0$ and $h \in R$, $\xi(t, \omega, h)$ is $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable.

[III] For P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$, $\xi(t, \omega, h)$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial h} \xi(t, \omega, h)$ are continuous in (t, h) such that

$$(1.8) \quad \xi(t, \omega, 0) \in L^1(\Omega; L^\infty(0, \infty)), \quad \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial h}(t, \omega, h) \in L^{6/5}(\Omega; L^\infty((0, \infty) \times R)).$$

We formulate the initial-boundary value problem as follows.

$$(1.9) \quad u_{tt} = \eta(u_x, u_{tx})_x + \xi(t, \omega, u_{tx}) + \Phi \frac{\partial^2 B(t, x)}{\partial t \partial x}, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0,$$

$$(1.10) \quad u_x = 0, \quad \text{at } x = 0, 1, \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

$$(1.11) \quad u = \hat{u}_0, \quad u_t = \hat{u}_1, \quad \text{at } t = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1.$$

Here (1.10) is the traction-free boundary conditions, because $\eta(0, 0) = 0$.

We adopt the following definition of a solution to (1.9) - (1.11).

Definition 1.1. Let $T > 0$ be given. A $H^1(0, 1)$ -valued continuous process u adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$ is called a solution of (1.9) - (1.11) if $u_{tx} \in L^\infty(0, T; L^2(0, 1)) \cap L^2(0, T; H_0^1(0, 1)) \cap L^6(0, T; H^{1/3}(0, 1))$, for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$, and if for each $\phi \in C^\infty([0, 1])$ with $\phi_x(0) = \phi_x(1) = 0$,

$$(1.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle u_t(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi \rangle = & - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(u_x, u_{sx}) \phi_x \, dx \, ds \\ & + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, u_{sx}) \phi \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* \phi \, dW \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $t \in [0, T]$, for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$, and $u(0) = \hat{u}_0$ holds for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$.

Here, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the $L^2(0, 1)$ -product, and Φ^* is the adjoint of Φ , i.e., for all $g \in L^2(0, 1)$ and $h \in H^1(0, 1)^*$, $\langle \Phi g, h \rangle_{H^1, H^1*} = \langle g, \Phi^* h \rangle$, where the bracket in the left-hand side is the duality pairing between $H^1(0, 1)$ and $H^1(0, 1)^*$, which is the dual of $H^1(0, 1)$. In particular, when $h \in L^2(0, 1)$, it holds that $\langle \Phi g, h \rangle_{H^1, H^1*} = \langle \Phi g, h \rangle$. Since Φ is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator from $L^2(0, 1)$ into $H^1(0, 1)$, its operator norm is given by

$$(1.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \|\Phi\| &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j |\langle \Phi(e_k), e_j \rangle|^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |\langle \Phi(e_k), e_0 \rangle|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j |\langle e_k, \Phi^*(e_j) \rangle|^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |\langle e_k, \Phi^*(e_0) \rangle|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where λ_j 's and e_j 's are defined by (2.2) below.

In the meantime, dW stands for the orthogonal martingale measure induced by the white noise above. Under the above assumptions, our main result is the following.

Theorem 1.2. Suppose that $\hat{u}_0$ is $\tilde{H}^2(0, 1)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable and $\hat{u}_1$ is $H^1(0, 1)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable such that $\hat{u}_0 \in L^6(\Omega; \tilde{H}^2(0, 1))$ and $\hat{u}_1 \in L^6(\Omega; H^1(0, 1))$. Then, for any given $T > 0$, there is a unique solution of (1.9) - (1.11).

Here we use the notation

$$(1.14) \quad \tilde{H}^2(0, 1) = \{f \mid f, f_x, f_{xx} \in L^2(0, 1) \text{ and } f_x(0) = f_x(1) = 0\}.$$

The solution is said to be unique if any two solutions are indistinguishable. The proof will be presented in the next section.

2. PROOF OF THE MAIN RESULT

We outline the general strategy. First we set up an approximation scheme using a special orthonormal basis for $L^2(0, 1)$. We then derive basic a priori estimates. Finally, a pathwise solution is constructed, and necessary properties for the solution are verified.

2.1. Approximation and a priori estimates. We choose a complete orthonormal basis $\{e_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$ for $L^2(0, 1)$ from the eigenvalue problem

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} -\nabla^2 e_k = \lambda_k e_k, \\ \nabla e_k(0) = \nabla e_k(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Here $\nabla = \frac{d}{dx}$. In fact, we have

$$(2.2) \quad \lambda_0 = 0, \quad e_0(x) = 1, \quad \lambda_k = k^2 \pi^2, \quad e_k(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos(k\pi x), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Next we approximate ξ by using (1.8). Let us write

$$(2.3) \quad \zeta_N(h) = \begin{cases} h, & \text{for } |h| \leq N, \\ N \operatorname{sign}(h), & \text{for } |h| > N, \end{cases}$$

and define

$$(2.4) \quad \xi_N(t, \omega, h) = \zeta_N(\xi(t, \omega, 0)) + \int_0^h \zeta_N\left(\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y}(t, \omega, y)\right) dy.$$

We then consider the Galerkin approximation. Let us write for each $m = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$(2.5) \quad u_m(t, x, \omega) = \sum_{k=0}^m d_{mk}(t, \omega) e_k(x),$$

and

$$(2.6) \quad c_{mk}(t, \omega) = \partial_t d_{mk}(t, \omega).$$

We fix $m \geq 1$, and discuss the following system of stochastic integral equations.

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} c_{mk}(t) - \langle \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_{mj} \nabla e_j, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j \right) \nabla e_k dx ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi_m(s, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j) e_k dx ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad k = 0, \dots, m, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.8) \quad d_{mk}(t) = \langle \hat{u}_0, e_k \rangle + \int_0^t c_{mk}(s) ds, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad k = 0, \dots, m.$$

For a priori estimates, we first note that for some positive constants K_1, K_2 ,

$$(2.9) \quad -(\eta(p_1, q_1) - \eta(p_2, q_2))(q_1 - q_2) \leq -K_1(q_1 - q_2)^2 + K_2(p_1 - p_2)^2, \\ \text{for all } (p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2) \in R^2,$$

which follows from (1.5), (1.6) and the mean value theorem. We will also use the fact that

$$(2.10) \quad B_j(t) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_j dW$$

is a continuous martingale adapted to $\mathcal{F}_t$. It follows from the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequalities that

$$(2.11) \quad E\left(\sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} |B_j(t)|^p\right) \leq C_p E\left(\left(\int_0^T \int_0^1 |\Phi^* e_j|^2 dx dt\right)^{p/2}\right),$$

for some positive constant C_p depending only on $p > 1$. Since the function η may not grow linearly in its arguments, the standard result on the existence of solutions for stochastic differential equations cannot be applied. But a result of Métivier and Pistone [10] can be used. For this, let us introduce a R^{2m} -valued random function $X(t)$ whose components are defined by

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{cases} X_k(t) = e^{-\lambda t} (c_{mk}(t) - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW), & k = 1, \dots, m, \\ X_{m+k}(t) = d_{mk}(t) e^{-\lambda t}, & k = 1, \dots, m. \end{cases}$$

The above system (2.7) and (2.8) for $1 \leq k \leq m$ can be put in the form

$$(2.13) \quad X(t, \omega) = Y(\omega) + \int_0^t A_\lambda(s, \omega, X(s, \omega)) ds,$$

where the R^{2m} -valued function A_λ is defined as follows. For $1 \leq k \leq m$, the k -th component of $A_\lambda(t, \omega, X(t, \omega))$ is

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} & - \int_0^1 e^{-\lambda t} \eta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m e^{\lambda t} X_{m+j} \nabla e_j, \sum_{j=1}^m (e^{\lambda t} X_j + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_j dW) \nabla e_j \right) \nabla e_k dx \\ & + \int_0^1 e^{-\lambda t} \xi_m \left(t, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m (e^{\lambda t} X_j + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_j dW) \nabla e_j \right) e_k dx - \lambda X_k \end{aligned}$$

and the $(m+k)$ -th component is

$$(2.15) \quad -\lambda X_{m+k} + X_k + e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW.$$

The components of the initial value Y are given by

$$(2.16) \quad Y_k = \langle \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{m+k} = \langle \hat{u}_0, e_k \rangle, \quad 1 \leq k \leq m.$$

It is apparent that Y is $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable and belongs to $L^6(\Omega)$. It is also obvious that for each $\lambda \geq 0$ and each $h \in R^{2m}$, $A_\lambda(t, \omega, h)$ is a predictable process, i.e., measurable with respect to the σ -algebra generated by all continuous adapted processes. By virtue of (2.3), (2.4), (2.9) and the fact that $B_j(t)$ is continuous for P -almost all ω , we can choose a positive number λ depending only on K_1, K_2 and m , and find a subset $\tilde{\Omega}$ with $P(\tilde{\Omega}) = 1$ such that for each $t \in [0, T]$ and each $\omega \in \tilde{\Omega}$, $A_\lambda(t, \omega, h)$ is continuous in h , and for all $h_1, h_2 \in R^{2m}$,

$$(2.17) \quad \langle A_\lambda(t, \omega, h_1) - A_\lambda(t, \omega, h_2), h_1 - h_2 \rangle_{R^{2m}} \leq 0.$$

Furthermore, it follows from (1.7), (2.4) and (2.11) that for each $L > 0$, there is a predictable process $\phi_L(t, \omega)$ such that

$$(2.18) \quad |A_\lambda(t, \omega, h)| \leq \phi_L(t, \omega), \quad \text{for all } h \in R^{2m} \text{ with } |h| \leq L$$

and

$$(2.19) \quad \phi_L \in L^6(\Omega; C([0, T])).$$

According to the result of [10], we have

Lemma 2.1. *There is a unique continuous adapted process X which satisfies (2.13) on the interval $[0, T]$, for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$. Furthermore, $X(t, \omega)$ is $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable and belongs to $L^6(\Omega; C([0, T]))$.*

The last assertion follows easily from (2.13) and (2.17) - (2.19). We now have a solution of (2.7) and (2.8) on the interval $[0, T]$. Here c_{m0} is determined by c_{mk} , $k = 1, \dots, m$, through (2.7).

For later use, we will clarify measurability of c_{mk} 's. We first define our terminology.

Definition 2.2. Let $\mathcal{U}$ be a Banach space and $\mathcal{G}$ be a σ -algebra over Ω . A function $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ is said to be $\mathcal{U}$ -valued $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable if $g^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{G}$ for every open subset V of $\mathcal{U}$.

Lemma 2.3. Fix any $t^* \in (0, T]$. Each c_{mk} is $C([0, t^*])$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable, and also, $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable.

Proof. Let us fix $m \geq 1$ and $k \geq 1$, and define

$$(2.20) \quad q_N(t) = c_{mk}(0)\chi_{\{0\}} + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{mk}(t_{j-1})\chi_{(t_{j-1}, t_j]}(t),$$

where $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = t^*$, $t_j - t_{j-1} = t^*/N$, and χ stands for a characteristic function. Since c_{mj} is a continuous process adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$, each q_N is $L^\infty(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. In the meantime, for P -almost all ω ,

$$(2.21) \quad \|q_N - c_{mk}\|_{L^\infty(0, t^*)} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $\mathcal{F}_0$ contains all P -negligible sets, c_{mk} is $L^\infty(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. But for P -almost all ω , c_{mk} is continuous in t , and $C([0, t^*])$ is a closed subspace of $L^\infty(0, t^*)$. Thus, c_{mk} is $C([0, t^*])$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. Since $\hat{u}_0$ is $\tilde{H}^2(0, 1)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable and $\hat{u}_0 \in L^6(\Omega, \tilde{H}^2(0, 1))$, it follows from (2.8) that d_{mk} is also $C([0, t^*])$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. Next we consider (2.7) and (2.8). For fixed ω , the mapping

$$(2.22) \quad (d_{m1}, \dots, d_{mm}, c_{m1}, \dots, c_{mm}) \mapsto - \int_0^{(\cdot)} \int_0^1 \eta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_{mj} \nabla e_j, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j \right) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds$$

is continuous from $(C([0, t^*]))^{2m}$ into $H^1(0, t^*)$, for each $k = 1, \dots, m$. Since c_{mk} 's and d_{mk} 's are $C([0, t^*])$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable, the first integral in the right-hand side of (2.7) is $H^1(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable for $k = 1, \dots, m$. For the second integral in (2.7), we need more work. The integral

$$\int_0^1 \xi_m(t, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m h_j(t) \nabla e_j) e_k \, dx$$

is continuous in t for P -almost all ω , and is adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$ if each deterministic $h_j(t)$ is continuous in t . Hence, by the same argument as above, it is $C([0, t^*])$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable if $h_j \in C([0, t^*])$, $j = 1, \dots, m$. In the meantime, the mapping

$$(2.23) \quad g \mapsto \int_0^{(\cdot)} g(s) \, ds$$

is continuous from $C([0, t^*])$ into $H^1(0, t^*)$. Therefore, the function $Q(\omega, h)$ defined by

$$(2.24) \quad Q(\omega, h)(t) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi_m(t, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m h_j(t) \nabla e_j) e_k dx ds$$

is $H^1(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable for each $h = (h_1, \dots, h_m) \in (C([0, t^*]))^m$. It is easy to see that for P -almost all ω , the mapping $h \mapsto Q(\omega, h)$ is continuous from $(C([0, t^*]))^m$ to $H^1(0, t^*)$. Since $(C([0, t^*]))^m$ is a separable Banach space, each $(C([0, t^*]))^m$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable function ψ can be approximated by a sequence of simple functions $\{\phi_N\}_{N=1}^\infty$ of the form

$$(2.25) \quad \phi_N(t, \omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N g_{N,k}(t) \chi_{N,k}(\omega),$$

where each $g_{N,k} \in (C([0, t^*]))^m$, and each $\chi_{N,k}$ is a $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable characteristic function such that $\chi_{N,k}(\omega) \chi_{N,j}(\omega) = 0$, for $j \neq k$ and $\sum_{k=1}^N \chi_{N,k}(\omega) = 1$, for all ω . Here ϕ_N converges to ψ in $(C([0, t^*]))^m$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, for each ω . Now we note that

$$(2.26) \quad Q_N = Q(\omega, \phi_N) = \sum_{k=1}^N Q(\omega, g_{N,k}(t)) \chi_{N,k}(\omega)$$

is $H^1(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable and converges to $Q(\omega, \psi)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ strongly in $H^1(0, t^*)$ for P -almost all ω . Consequently, the second integral in (2.7) is $H^1(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. Next we rewrite (2.10):

$$B_k(t) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW, \quad k = 0, \dots, m.$$

Since $B_k(t)$ is a continuous martingale adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$, it is $\mathcal{B}([0, t^*]) \otimes \mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable as a function on $[0, t^*] \times \Omega$, where $\mathcal{B}([0, t^*])$ is the Borel σ -algebra over $[0, t^*]$. It is easy to see that

$$(2.27) \quad E \left(\int_0^{t^*} \int_0^{t^*} \frac{|B_k(t_2) - B_k(t_1)|^2}{|t_2 - t_1|^{1+1/2}} dt_1 dt_2 \right) \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of t^* and k . This implies that for P -almost all ω , B_k is $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ -valued. Let

$$(2.28) \quad \gamma_N(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N (2/t^*) \left(\int_0^{t^*} B_k(s) \sin(j\pi s/t^*) ds \right) \sin(j\pi t/t^*).$$

Since B_k is $\mathcal{B}([0, t^*]) \otimes \mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable, the integral term in (2.28) is $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable, and hence, γ_N is $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. Meanwhile, for P -almost all ω , γ_N converges strongly to B_k in $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Consequently, B_k is $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable. We now conclude that c_{mk} is $H^{1/4}(0, t^*)$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable for $k = 1, \dots, m$. By the same argument as above, the measurability of $c_{m0}(t)$ follows easily from its representation formula:

$$(2.29) \quad c_{m0}(t) = \langle \hat{u}_1, e_0 \rangle + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi_m(s, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j) e_0 dx ds + B_0(t).$$

□

Next we establish a priori estimates.

Lemma 2.4. *Let u_m be defined by (2.5) - (2.8), and $\hat{u}_0, \hat{u}_1$ be given as in Theorem 1.2. Then, it holds that*

$$(2.30) \quad \|\partial_t \nabla u_m\|_{L^6(\Omega; L^\infty(0, T; L^2(0, 1)))} \leq M,$$

$$(2.31) \quad \|\partial_t \Delta u_m\|_{L^6(\Omega; L^2(0, T; L^2(0, 1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constants M independent of m .

Proof. First we note that the quadratic variation of $B_j(t)$ defined by (2.10) is

$$(2.32) \quad \langle B_j, B_k \rangle_t = \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\Phi^* e_j)(\Phi^* e_k) dx ds.$$

Let us fix m and apply Ito's rule to the functional

$$(2.33) \quad \|\partial_t \nabla u_m\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k c_{mk}^2(t).$$

It follows that for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$,

$$(2.34) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|\partial_t \nabla u_m(t)\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 - \|\partial_t \nabla u_m(0)\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 \\ &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 2 \left(\nabla \eta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_{mj} \nabla e_j, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j \right) \right) \partial_t \Delta u_m dx ds \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^t \int_0^1 2 \lambda_k c_{mk} (\Phi^* e_k) dW + \sum_{k=1}^m \int_0^t \int_0^1 \lambda_k (\Phi^* e_k)^2 dx ds. \end{aligned}$$

Here, by virtue of (2.1), it holds that for P -almost all ω and all t ,

$$(2.35) \quad \int_0^1 \xi_m(t, \omega, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j) \partial_t \Delta u_m dx = 0.$$

We will estimate the first integral in the right-hand side of (2.34). By means of (1.5) and (1.6), it is easy to see that for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$,

$$(2.36) \quad \begin{aligned} & - \int_0^t \int_0^1 2 \left(\nabla \eta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_{mj} \nabla e_j, \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} \nabla e_j \right) \right) \partial_t \Delta u_m dx ds \\ & \leq -C_1 \int_0^t \|\partial_s \Delta u_m(s)\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 ds + C_2 \int_0^t \|\Delta u_m(s)\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 ds \end{aligned}$$

for some positive constants C_1, C_2 independent of m, ω . Next we will estimate the second integral. Since it is a continuous martingale, we can use the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequalities to find that for all $t \in [0, T]$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.37) \quad & E \left(\sup_{s \in [0, t]} \left| \int_0^s \int_0^1 \sum_{k=1}^m 2\lambda_k c_{mk}(\Phi^* e_k) dW \right|^3 \right) \\
 & \leq C_3 E \left(\left(\int_0^t \int_0^1 \left| \sum_{k=1}^m 2\lambda_k c_{mk}(\Phi^* e_k) \right|^2 dx ds \right)^{3/2} \right) \\
 & \leq C_3 E \left(\left(\int_0^t \left(\sum_{k=1}^m 4\lambda_k c_{mk}^2 \right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k \|\Phi^* e_k\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \right) ds \right)^{3/2} \right) \\
 & \leq C_3 E \left(\left(\int_0^t 4\|\partial_s \nabla u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \|\Phi\|^2 ds \right)^{3/2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

for some positive constant C_3 independent of m . It follows from Hölder's inequality that for any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$(2.38) \quad E \left(\left(\int_0^t \|\partial_s \nabla u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 ds \right)^{3/2} \right) \leq \epsilon E \left(\left(\int_0^t \|\partial_s \Delta u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 ds \right)^3 \right) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}.$$

It is also easy to see that for P -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$ and all $t \in [0, T]$,

$$(2.39) \quad \|\Delta u_m(t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \leq 2\|\Delta u_m(0)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 + 2T \int_0^t \|\partial_s \Delta u_m(s)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 ds.$$

Since $E(\|\Delta u_m(0)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^6 + \|\partial_t \nabla u_m(0)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^6) \leq M$, for some positive constant M independent of m , we can derive from (2.34) - (2.39)

$$(2.40) \quad E \left(\left(\int_0^t \|\partial_s \Delta u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 ds \right)^3 \right) \leq C_5 + C_6 \int_0^t E \left(\left(\int_0^s \|\partial_\sigma \Delta u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 d\sigma \right)^3 \right) ds$$

where C_5 and C_6 are positive constants independent of m . By Gronwall's inequality, it holds that

$$(2.41) \quad E \left(\left(\int_0^T \|\partial_t \Delta u_m\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 dt \right)^3 \right) \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Combining this with (2.34) and (2.36) - (2.39), we find

$$(2.42) \quad E \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\partial_t \nabla u_m(t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^6 \right) \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . This completes the proof of Lemma 2.4. $\square$

We will need some more regularity with respect to the time variable. This will be found with the help of the above estimates. First we recall some facts on interpolation. Let $\mathcal{U}$ be a Banach space and $\hat{L}^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{U})$ be the completion of $\mathcal{U}$ -valued simple functions in the sup-norm. Let $L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{U})$ be the usual space of $\mathcal{U}$ -valued essentially bounded functions. If $\mathcal{U}$ is of infinite dimension, $\hat{L}^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{U})$ is a proper closed subspace of $L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{U})$.

Lemma 2.5. *The function class $\hat{L}^\infty(0, T; L^2(0, 1)) \cap L^2(0, T; H^1(0, 1))$ is imbedded into $L^6(0, T; H^{1/3}(0, 1))$.*

Proof. See Bergh and Löfström [3]. $\square$

By virtue of the structure of each u_m , it follows from (2.41), (2.42) and Lemma 2.5 that

$$(2.43) \quad \|\partial_t \nabla u_m\|_{L^6(\Omega; L^6((0,T) \times (0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . This yields

$$(2.44) \quad \|\nabla u_m\|_{L^6(\Omega; L^6((0,T) \times (0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Now we use (1.7) to obtain

$$(2.45) \quad \|\eta(\nabla u_m, \partial_t \nabla u_m)\|_{L^{6/5}(\Omega; L^{6/5}((0,T) \times (0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Since $H^{1/3}(0,1)$ is densely imbedded into $L^6(0,1)$, $L^{6/5}(0,1)$ is imbedded into $H^{-1/3}(0,1)$, which can be characterized by

$$(2.46) \quad H^{-1/3}(0,1) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sqrt{2} \sin(k\pi x) \mid \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k^{-1/3} |a_k|^2 < \infty \right\}.$$

Let Λ_m denote the projection on $H^{-1/3}(0,1)$ defined by

$$(2.47) \quad \Lambda_m \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sqrt{2} \sin(k\pi x) \right) = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \sqrt{2} \sin(k\pi x)$$

so that we can write

$$(2.48) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^m \left(- \int_0^1 \eta \nabla e_k dx \right) e_k &= \sum_{k=1}^m \left(\int_0^1 \eta \sqrt{2\lambda_k} \sin(k\pi x) dx \right) e_k \\ &= \nabla \sum_{k=1}^m \left(\int_0^1 \eta \sqrt{2} \sin(k\pi x) dx \right) \sqrt{2} \sin(k\pi x) \\ &= \nabla \left(\Lambda_m \eta(\nabla u_m, \partial_t \nabla u_m) \right) \end{aligned}$$

But it follows from (2.45) and (2.47) that

$$(2.49) \quad \|\nabla \Lambda_m \eta(\nabla u_m, \partial_t \nabla u_m)\|_{L^{6/5}(\Omega; L^{6/5}(0,T; H^{-4/3}(0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . It is easy to derive from (2.7) and (2.48) that for all $t \in [0, T]$,

$$(2.50) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_t u_m(t) - \mathcal{P}_m \hat{u}_1 &= \int_0^t \nabla \left(\Lambda_m \eta(\nabla u_m, \partial_s \nabla u_m) \right) ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \mathcal{P}_m \xi_m(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla u_m) ds \\ &\quad + \Psi_m(t), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(2.51) \quad \Psi_m(t) = \sum_{k=0}^m \left(\int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW \right) e_k$$

and $\mathcal{P}_m$ is the projection of $L^2(0, 1)$ onto the subspace spanned by $\{e_0, \dots, e_m\}$. Since $\{e_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$ is a complete orthonormal basis in $L^2(0, 1)$, it is apparent that

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(\|\Psi_m(t_2) - \Psi_m(t_1)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2\right) &= \sum_{k=0}^m E\left(\left|\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k dW\right|^2\right) \\ (2.52) \qquad &= E\left(\left|\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum_{k=0}^m \|\Phi^* e_k\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 dt\right|\right) \\ &\leq M |t_2 - t_1|, \end{aligned}$$

for some positive constant M independent of m , t_1 , t_2 , which yields, for each $0 < \epsilon < 1/2$,

$$(2.53) \qquad \int_0^T \int_0^T E\left(\frac{\|\Psi_m(t_2) - \Psi_m(t_1)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2}{|t_2 - t_1|^{1+2\epsilon}}\right) dt_1 dt_2 \leq M_\epsilon,$$

for some positive constant M_ϵ independent of m . By taking $\epsilon = 1/4$, we derive from (2.53)

$$(2.54) \qquad \|\Psi_m\|_{L^2(\Omega; H^{1/4}(0,T; L^2(0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Next we derive from (1.8), (2.4) and (2.30)

$$(2.55) \qquad \|\mathcal{P}_m \xi_m(t, \omega, \partial_t \nabla u_m)\|_{L^1(\Omega; L^\infty(0,T; L^2(0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Consequently, it follows from (2.49), (2.50), (2.54) and (2.55) that

$$(2.56) \qquad \|\partial_t u_m\|_{L^1(\Omega; H^{1/4}(0,T; H^{-4/3}(0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . Finally, we again use (1.8), (2.4), (2.29) and (2.30) to obtain

$$(2.57) \qquad \|\partial_t u_m\|_{L^1(\Omega; L^\infty(0,T; L^2(0,1)))} \leq M,$$

for some positive constant M independent of m . These estimates will be used to construct a pathwise solution.

2.2. Construction of a pathwise solution. We first observe the following fact.

Lemma 2.6. *There is $\tilde{\Omega} \subset \Omega$ with $P(\tilde{\Omega}) = 1$ such that for each $\omega \in \tilde{\Omega}$,*

$$(2.58) \qquad \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_j dW \quad \text{is continuous in } t \text{ for all } e_j \text{'s,}$$

$$(2.59) \qquad \hat{u}_0(\cdot, \omega) \in \tilde{H}^2(0, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{u}_1(\cdot, \omega) \in H^1(0, 1),$$

$$(2.60) \qquad \begin{aligned} &\xi(t, \omega, h) \text{ and } \frac{\partial}{\partial h} \xi(t, \omega, h) \text{ are continuous in } (t, h), \text{ and} \\ &\frac{\partial}{\partial h} \xi(t, \omega, h) \text{ is bounded, and (2.7) and (2.8) hold for all} \\ &t \in [0, T], \text{ for every } m. \end{aligned}$$

From now on, $\tilde{\Omega}$ stands for the above subset.

Lemma 2.7. For $0 \leq s < 3/2$, $H^s(0, 1)$ can be characterized by

$$(2.61) \quad H^s(0, 1) = \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k e_k \mid |a_0|^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k^s |a_k|^2 < \infty \right\}.$$

Proof. See Fujiwara [7]. $\square$

Lemma 2.8. Fix any $\omega \in \tilde{\Omega}$. Suppose that for $j = 1, 2$, $\partial_t v_j \in L^2(0, T; \tilde{H}^2(0, 1)) \cap L^6(0, T; H^{4/3}(0, 1))$, $v_j(0) = \hat{u}_0(\cdot, \omega)$, and

$$(2.62) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v_j(t) - \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle = & - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v_j, \partial_s \nabla v_j) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds \\ & + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_j) e_k \, dx \, ds \\ & + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k \, dW \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $t \in [0, T]$ and all e_k 's. Then, $v_1 = v_2$.

Proof. Let us set

$$(2.63) \quad v = v_1 - v_2.$$

It follows from (2.62) that

$$(2.64) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v, e_k \rangle = & - \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\eta(\nabla v_1, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \eta(\nabla v_2, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds \\ & + \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) e_k \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

holds for all t and all e_k 's. Choose any $h \in H^{4/3}(0, 1)$. Then, by Lemma 2.7,

$$(2.65) \quad \sum_{k=0}^N \langle h, e_k \rangle e_k \rightarrow h \quad \text{strongly in } H^{4/3}(0, 1), \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $H^{1/3}(0, 1) \subset L^6(0, 1)$, $\partial_t v \in L^2(0, T; \tilde{H}^2(0, 1))$, and

$$\eta(\nabla v_1, \partial_t \nabla v_1) - \eta(\nabla v_2, \partial_t \nabla v_2) \in L^{6/5}((0, T) \times (0, 1)),$$

it follows from (2.64) and (2.65) that

$$(2.66) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v, h \rangle = & - \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\eta(\nabla v_1, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \eta(\nabla v_2, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) \nabla h \, dx \, ds \\ & + \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) h \, dx \, ds, \end{aligned}$$

for almost all t (with respect to the Lebesgue measure). Since the right-hand side is continuous in t , the left-hand side is also continuous and (2.66) holds for all t .

We can infer from (2.66) that

$$(2.67) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_t \langle \partial_t v, h \rangle = & - \int_0^1 (\eta(\nabla v_1, \partial_t \nabla v_1) - \eta(\nabla v_2, \partial_t \nabla v_2)) \nabla h \, dx \\ & + \int_0^1 (\xi(t, \omega, \partial_t \nabla v_1) - \xi(t, \omega, \partial_t \nabla v_2)) h \, dx \end{aligned}$$

holds in $L^{6/5}(0, T)$ for each $h \in H^{4/3}(0, 1)$, and hence,

$$(2.68) \quad \partial_{tt}v \in L^{6/5}(0, T; H^{4/3}(0, 1)^*),$$

where $H^{4/3}(0, 1)^*$ is the dual of $H^{4/3}(0, 1)$. Since $\partial_t v \in L^6(0, T; H^{4/3}(0, 1))$, it follows from (2.67) that

$$(2.69) \quad \begin{aligned} e^{-\lambda t} \|\partial_t v(t)\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \lambda e^{-\lambda s} (\partial_s v)^2 dx ds \\ &\quad - 2 \int_0^t \int_0^1 e^{-\lambda s} (\eta(\nabla v_1, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \eta(\nabla v_2, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) \partial_s \nabla v dx ds \\ &\quad + 2 \int_0^t \int_0^1 e^{-\lambda s} (\xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_1) - \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_2)) \partial_s v dx ds \end{aligned}$$

for all $t \in [0, T]$. By considering (2.9) and (2.60), we can choose sufficiently large positive λ in (2.69), which yields

$$(2.70) \quad \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\partial_s \nabla v)^2 dx ds \leq K \int_0^t \int_0^1 (\nabla v)^2 dx ds,$$

for all $t \in [0, T]$ with some positive constant K . This, together with (2.69), yields that

$$(2.71) \quad v = 0$$

on $[0, T]$, and the proof is complete. $\square$

We are now ready to construct a pathwise solution. Let us define

$$(2.72) \quad \mathcal{X} = H^{1/4}(0, T; H^{-4/3}(0, 1)) \cap L^\infty(0, T; H^1(0, 1)) \cap L^2(0, T; \tilde{H}^2(0, 1)).$$

By virtue of (2.41), (2.42), (2.56) and (2.57), we have, for some positive constant M ,

$$(2.73) \quad \|\partial_t u_m\|_{L^1(\Omega; \mathcal{X})} \leq M,$$

for all m , which implies

$$(2.74) \quad P(\{\|\partial_t u_m\|_{\mathcal{X}} > L\}) \leq M/L,$$

for all m and all $L > 0$. Consequently, it is evident that

$$(2.75) \quad P\left(\bigcap_{L=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=k}^{\infty} \{\|\partial_t u_m\|_{\mathcal{X}} > L\}\right) = 0.$$

We now write

$$(2.76) \quad \hat{\Omega} = \tilde{\Omega} \cap \left(\bigcup_{L=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{m=k}^{\infty} \{\|\partial_t u_m\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq L\}\right),$$

where $\tilde{\Omega}$ was chosen in Lemma 2.6. It follows from (2.75)

$$(2.77) \quad P(\hat{\Omega}) = 1.$$

Fix any $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. Then, there is some $L \geq 1$ and a subsequence $\{u_{m_\nu}\}$ such that

$$(2.78) \quad \|\partial_t v_\nu\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq L,$$

for all $\nu \geq 1$, where $v_\nu = u_{m_\nu}$. For each $\nu \geq 1$,

$$(2.79) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v_\nu(t) - \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v_\nu, \partial_s \nabla v_\nu) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi_{m_\nu}(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v_\nu) e_k \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k \, dW \end{aligned}$$

for all $t \in [0, T]$ and for all $k = 0, \dots, m_\nu$. Also, we have

$$(2.80) \quad \langle v_\nu(t) - \hat{u}_0, e_k \rangle = \int_0^t \langle \partial_s v_\nu, e_k \rangle \, ds,$$

for all $k = 0, \dots, m_\nu$. By Lemma 2.5 and (2.78), we can further extract a subsequence still denoted by $\{v_\nu\}$ such that for some function v with $v(0) = \hat{u}_0(\cdot, \omega)$ and $\partial_t v \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$(2.81) \quad \nabla v_\nu \text{ and } \partial_t \nabla v_\nu \text{ converge to } \nabla v \text{ and } \partial_t \nabla v, \text{ respectively, weakly in } L^6(0, T; H^{1/3}(0, 1)),$$

$$(2.82) \quad \partial_t v_\nu \text{ converges to } \partial_t v \text{ strongly in } L^2(0, T; H^{3/2}(0, 1)),$$

$$(2.83) \quad \xi_{m_\nu}(t, \omega, \partial_t \nabla v_\nu) \text{ converges to } \xi(t, \omega, \partial_t \nabla v) \text{ weakly in } L^2((0, T) \times (0, 1))$$

and

$$(2.84) \quad \eta(\nabla v_\nu, \partial_t \nabla v_\nu) \text{ converges to } \eta(\nabla v, \partial_t \nabla v) \text{ weakly in } L^{6/5}((0, T) \times (0, 1)).$$

Here we have also used the following facts proved in Lions [9].

Lemma 2.9. *Let g and g_k 's, $k \geq 1$, belong to $L^p((0, T) \times (0, 1))$, $1 < p < \infty$. Suppose that*

$$(2.85) \quad \|g_k\|_{L^p((0, T) \times (0, 1))} \leq M, \quad \text{for some } M > 0 \text{ independent of } k,$$

and, as $k \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(2.86) \quad g_k \rightarrow g, \quad \text{for } \mu\text{-almost all } (t, x).$$

Then, g_k converges to g weakly in $L^p((0, T) \times (0, 1))$, as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Lemma 2.10. *Suppose that $\mathcal{E}_1$, $\mathcal{E}_2$ and $\mathcal{E}_3$ are Hilbert spaces such that $\mathcal{E}_1$ is compactly embedded into $\mathcal{E}_2$ and $\mathcal{E}_2$ is embedded into $\mathcal{E}_3$. Then, $H^{1/4}(0, T; \mathcal{E}_3) \cap L^2(0, T; \mathcal{E}_1)$ is compactly embedded into $L^2(0, T; \mathcal{E}_2)$.*

Next we fix any $k \geq 0$, and consider (2.79) for $m_\nu \geq k$. Multiply both sides of (2.79) by any $\psi(t) \in C_0^\infty((0, T))$ and integrate in t over $(0, T)$. By passing $\nu \rightarrow \infty$ with help of (2.82) - (2.84), we arrive at

$$(2.87) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_0^T \psi(t) \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle \, dt &= \int_0^T \psi(t) \left(- \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) e_k \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k \, dW \right) \, dt. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$(2.88) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, e_k \rangle &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla e_k \, dx \, ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) e_k \, dx \, ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* e_k \, dW \end{aligned}$$

holds in the sense of distribution over $(0, T)$. Since the right-hand side is continuous in t , so is the left-hand side, and (2.88) holds for all $t \in [0, T]$ and for all $k \geq 0$. Since v was constructed so that for the above fixed ω ,

$$(2.89) \quad v(0) = \hat{u}_0(\cdot, \omega),$$

it follows from Lemma 2.8 that v is determined regardless of any particular subsequence. Thus, for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$, we can choose v unambiguously such that $\partial_t v \in \mathcal{X}$, and (2.88) and (2.89) hold. It remains to show that this v is indeed a solution according to Definition 1.1.

Lemma 2.11. *Suppose that $v = v(\cdot, \omega)$ has been constructed for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$ according to the above procedure. Then, v is a $H^1(0, 1)$ -valued continuous process adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$.*

Proof. For each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$, we have $\partial_t v \in \mathcal{X}$. Hence, $v(\cdot, \omega)$ is $\tilde{H}^2(0, 1)$ -valued continuous in $t \in [0, T]$ for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. Next we fix any arbitrary $t^* \in (0, T]$, and define

$$(2.90) \quad \mathcal{X}_* = H^{1/4}(0, t^*; H^{-4/3}(0, 1)) \cap L^\infty(0, t^*; H^1(0, 1)) \cap L^2(0, t^*; \tilde{H}^2(0, 1)).$$

By virtue of Lemma 2.3 and the special structure of $\partial_t u_m$ given by (2.5) and (2.6), it is easy to see that each $\partial_t u_m$ is $\mathcal{X}_*$ -valued $\mathcal{F}_{t^*}$ -measurable and, for some positive constant M ,

$$(2.91) \quad \|\partial_t u_m\|_{L^1(\Omega; \mathcal{X}_*)} \leq M,$$

for all m . Now we choose an arbitrary open ball $b_r(z)$ in $H^1(0, 1)$, where z is the center and $r > 0$ is the radius. We will show that

$$(2.92) \quad \begin{aligned} &\hat{\Omega} \cap \{v(t^*) \in b_r(z)\} \\ &= \bigcup_{L=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{m=k}^{\infty} \left(\{u_m(t^*) \in b_{r-1/n}(z)\} \cap \{\|\partial_t u_m\|_{\mathcal{X}_*} \leq L\} \cap \hat{\Omega} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $b_{r-1/n}(z)$ means an empty set if $r \leq 1/n$. Suppose ω^* belongs to the left-hand side. By recalling how v was constructed at ω^* , we find that there is a subsequence $\{u_{m_\nu}\}$ such that $u_{m_\nu}(t^*)$ converges strongly to $v(t^*)$ in $H^1(0, 1)$ at ω^* , and, for some integer $L \geq 1$,

$$(2.93) \quad \|\partial_t u_{m_\nu}\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq L,$$

for all ν , and hence,

$$(2.94) \quad \|\partial_t u_{m_\nu}\|_{\mathcal{X}_*} \leq L,$$

for all ν . Consequently, ω^* belongs to the right-hand side. We next show the opposite inclusion. Let ω^* belong to the right-hand side. Then, there are $L^* \geq 1$, $n^* \geq 1$, and a subsequence $\{u_{m_\nu}\}$ such that

$$(2.95) \quad u_{m_\nu}(t^*) \in b_{r-1/n^*}(z), \quad \text{for all } \nu$$

and

$$(2.96) \quad \|\partial_t u_{m_\nu}\|_{\mathcal{X}^*} \leq L^*, \quad \text{for all } \nu.$$

By Lemma 2.8 with T replaced by t^* , we find that there is a subsequence $\{v_j\}$ of $\{u_{m_\nu}\}$ such that at ω^* ,

$$(2.97) \quad v_j(t^*) \text{ converges strongly to } v(t^*) \text{ in } H^1(0, 1),$$

and

$$(2.98) \quad v_j(t^*) \in b_{r-1/n^*}(z), \quad \text{for all } j \geq 1.$$

Thus, $v(t^*) \in b_r(z)$ and $\omega^* \in \hat{\Omega} \cap \{v(t^*) \in b_r(z)\}$, and (2.92) has been established. Since each u_m is a $H^1(0, 1)$ -valued continuous process adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$, and $\mathcal{F}_0$ contains all P -negligible sets, (2.92) implies that

$$(2.99) \quad \{v(t^*) \in b_r(z)\} \in \mathcal{F}_{t^*}.$$

Now the proof of Lemma 2.11 is complete. $\square$

Next we show that v satisfies (1.12). Choose any $\phi \in C^\infty([0, 1])$ with $\nabla\phi(0) = \nabla\phi(1) = 0$. Then, the sequence $\{\phi_k\}$ defined by

$$(2.100) \quad \phi_k = \sum_{j=0}^k \langle \phi, e_j \rangle e_j$$

converges to ϕ strongly in $\tilde{H}^2(0, 1)$. Let us write

$$(2.101) \quad \Psi_k(t) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* \phi_k dW, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots,$$

and

$$(2.102) \quad \Psi(t) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* \phi dW.$$

All Ψ_k 's and Ψ are continuous martingales, and it follows from the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequalities that

$$(2.103) \quad E \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\Psi_k(t) - \Psi(t)|^2 \right) \leq \int_0^T \|\Phi^*(\phi_k - \phi)\|_{L^2(0, 1)}^2 dt.$$

Hence, there is a subsequence still denoted by $\{\Psi_k(t)\}$ such that

$$(2.104) \quad \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\Psi_k(t) - \Psi(t)| \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{for } P\text{-almost all } \omega.$$

By (2.88), we have

$$(2.105) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi_k \rangle &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla \phi_k dx ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) \phi_k dx ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* \phi_k dW, \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \geq 0$, all $t \in [0, T]$ and all $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. Since $\eta(\nabla v, \partial_t \nabla v) \in L^{6/5}((0, T) \times (0, 1))$ for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$, it is evident that as $k \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(2.106) \quad \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla \phi_k dx ds \rightarrow \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla \phi dx ds$$

strongly in $C([0, T])$, for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. Also, as $k \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(2.107) \quad \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) \phi_k dx ds \rightarrow \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) \phi dx ds$$

strongly in $C([0, T])$, for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. Meanwhile, since $\partial_t v \in L^\infty(0, T; H^1(0, 1))$ for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$, it follows that

$$(2.108) \quad \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi_k \rangle \rightarrow \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi \rangle,$$

as $k \rightarrow \infty$, strongly in $L^\infty(0, T)$ for each $\omega \in \hat{\Omega}$. By virtue of (2.105), we find that $\langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi_k \rangle \in C([0, T])$, for all k , and hence, by (2.108),

$$(2.109) \quad \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi \rangle \in C([0, T]).$$

It now follows from (2.104) - (2.108) that

$$(2.110) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t v(t) - \hat{u}_1, \phi \rangle &= - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \eta(\nabla v, \partial_s \nabla v) \nabla \phi dx ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_0^1 \xi(s, \omega, \partial_s \nabla v) \phi dx ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 \Phi^* \phi dW \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $t \in [0, T]$, for P -almost all ω . This completes the proof of existence of a solution. If there are two solutions v_1 and v_2 , we can use the same argument as in Lemma 2.8 to find that $v_1 = v_2$ for P -almost all ω . This ends the proof of our main result.

Remark. We could also include a random perturbation of the form $\xi(t, \omega, u_x)$ if ξ satisfies the conditions [II] and [III] above with (1.8) replaced by

$$(2.111) \quad \begin{cases} \xi(t, \omega, h) \in L^6(\Omega; L^\infty((0, \infty) \times R)), \\ \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial h}(t, \omega, h) \in L^{6/5}(\Omega; L^\infty((0, \infty) \times R)). \end{cases}$$

Under these conditions, the perturbation may look very mild, but the monotonicity is essentially broken by randomness of $L^p(\Omega; L^\infty((0, \infty) \times R))$ because $p < \infty$. If $p = \infty$, randomness does not cause any obstacle. We also note that the Dirichlet boundary conditions can be handled by the same procedure. But (1.8) should be replaced by (2.111).

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