

Nonlinear parabolic problem with lower order terms in Musielak-Orlicz spaces

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ABSTRACT

We prove an existence result of entropy solutions for the nonlinear parabolic problems: $\frac{\partial b(x,u)}{\partial t} + A(u) - \text{div}(\Phi(x,t,u)) + H(x,t,u, \nabla u) = f$, and $A(u) = -\text{div}(a(x,t,u, \nabla u))$ is a Leary-Lions operator defined on the inhomogeneous Musielak-Orlicz space, the term $\Phi(x,t,u)$ is a Crathéodory function assumed to be continuous on u and satisfy only the growth condition $\Phi(x,t,u) \leq c(x,t) \bar{M}^{-1} M(x, \alpha_0 u)$, prescribed by Musielak-Orlicz functions M and \bar{M} which inhomogeneous and not satisfy Δ_2 -condition, $H(x,t,u, \nabla u)$ is a Crathéodory function not satisfies neither the sign condition or coercivity and $f \in L^1(Q_T)$.

1 Introduction

Let Ω be a bounded open set of \mathbb{R}^N ($N \geq 2$), T is a positive real number, and $Q_T = \Omega \times (0, T)$. Consider the following nonlinear Dirichlet equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial b(x,u)}{\partial t} + A(u) - \text{div}(\Phi(x,t,u)) + H(x,t,u, \nabla u) = f, \\ u(x,t) = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ b(x,u)(t=0) = b(x, u_0) \quad \text{in } \Omega. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $A(u) = -\text{div}(a(x,t,u, \nabla u))$ is a Leary-Lions operator defined on the inhomogeneous Musielak-Orlicz-Sobolev space $W_0^{1,x} L_M(Q_T)$, M is a Musielak-Orlicz-function related to the growths of the Carathéodory functions $a(x,t,u, \nabla u)$, $\Phi(x,t,u)$ and $H(x,t,u, \nabla u)$ (see assumptions (12), (15) and (16)). $b : \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a Carathéodory function such that for every $x \in \Omega$, $b(x, \cdot)$ is a strictly increasing $C^1(\mathbb{R})$ -function, the data f and $b(\cdot, u_0)$ in $L^1(Q_T)$ and $L^1(\Omega)$ respectively.

Starting with the prototype equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta_p(u) + \text{div}(c(\cdot, t)|u|^{\gamma-1}u) + b|\nabla u|^\delta = f, \text{ in } Q_T.$$

In the Classical Sobolev-spaces, the authors in [1] have proved the existence of weak solutions, with $c(\cdot, \cdot) \equiv 0$. For $c(\cdot, \cdot) \in L^2(Q_T)$ and $p = 2$, in [2] have proved the existence of entropy solutions, recently in [3] have proved an existence results of renormalized solutions

in the case where $p \geq 2$ and $c(\cdot, \cdot) \in L^r(Q_T)$ with $r > \frac{N+p}{p-1}$, and by in [4] for more general parabolic term. For the elliptic version of the problem (1), more results are obtained see e.g. [5-7].

In the degenerate Sobolev-spaces an existence results is shown in [8] without sign condition in $H(x,t,u, \nabla u)$.

In the Orlicz-Sobolev spaces, the existence of entropy solutions of the problem (1) in [9] is proved where $H(x,t,u, \nabla u) \equiv 0$ and the growth of the first lower order Φ prescribed by an isotropic N-function P with $(P \ll M)$. To our knowledge, differential equations in general Musielak-Sobolev spaces have been studied rarely see [10-14], then our aim in this paper is to overcome some difficulties encountered in these spaces and to generalize the result of [4, 9, 15, 16], and we prove an existence result of entropy solution for the obstacle parabolic problem (1), with less restrictive growth, and no coercivity condition in the first lower order term Φ , and without sign condition in the second lower order H , in the framework of inhomogeneous Orlicz-Sobolev spaces $W_0^{1,x} L_M(Q_T)$, and N-function M , defining space does not satisfy the Δ_2 -condition.

This paper is organized as follows. In section 2, we recall some definitions, properties and technical lemmas about Musielak Orlicz Sobolev, In section 3 is devoted to specify the assumptions on b, Φ, f, u_0 ,

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giving the definition of an entropy solution of (1) and we establish the existence of such a solution Theorem 4. In section 4, we give the proof of Theorem 4.

2 Musielak-Orlicz space and a technical lemma

In this part we will define the musielak-Orlicz function which control the growth of our operator.

2.1 Musielak-Orlicz function

Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}^N ($N \geq 2$), and let M be a real-valued function defined in $\Omega \times \mathbb{R}_+$ and satisfying conditions:

(Φ_1): $M(x, \cdot)$ is an N-function for all $x \in \Omega$ (i.e. convex, non-decreasing, continuous, $M(x, 0) = 0$,

$M(x, 0) > 0$ for $t > 0$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \Omega} \frac{M(x,t)}{t} = 0$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{x \in \Omega} \frac{M(x,t)}{t} = \infty$).

(Φ_2): $M(\cdot, t)$ is a measurable function for all $t \geq 0$.

A function M which satisfies the conditions Φ_1 and Φ_2 is called a Musielak-Orlicz function. For a Musielak-Orlicz function M we put $M_x(t) = M(x, t)$ and we associate its non-negative reciprocal function M_x^{-1} , with respect to t , that is $M_x^{-1}(M(x, t)) = M(x, M_x^{-1}(t)) = t$. Let M and P be two Musielak-Orlicz functions, we say that P grows essentially less rapidly than M at 0 (resp. near infinity, and we write $P \ll M$, for every positive constant c , we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\sup_{x \in \Omega} \frac{P(x, ct)}{M(x, t)}) = 0$ (resp. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\sup_{x \in \Omega} \frac{P(x, ct)}{M(x, t)}) = 0$).

Remark 1 [12] If $P \ll M$ near infinity, then $\forall \epsilon > 0$ there exist $k(\epsilon) > 0$ such that for almost all $x \in \Omega$ we have $P(x, t) \leq k(\epsilon)M(x, \epsilon t) \quad \forall t \geq 0$.

2.2 Musielak-Orlicz space

For a Musielak-Orlicz function M and a measurable function $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we define the functionnal

$$\rho_{M, \Omega}(u) = \int_{\Omega} M(x, |u(x)|) dx.$$

The set $K_M(\Omega) = \{u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable} : \rho_{M, \Omega}(u) < \infty\}$ is called the Musielak-Orlicz class. The Musielak-Orlicz space $L_M(\Omega)$ is the vector space generated by $K_M(\Omega)$; that is, $L_M(\Omega)$ is the smallest linear space containing the set $K_M(\Omega)$. Equivalently

$$L_M(\Omega) = \{u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable} : \rho_{M, \Omega}(\frac{u}{\lambda}) < \infty,$$

for some $\lambda > 0\}$.

For any Musielak-Orlicz function M , we put $\overline{M}(x, s) = \sup_{t \geq 0} (st - M(x, s))$. \overline{M} is called the Musielak-Orlicz function complementary to M (or conjugate of M) in the sense of Young with respect to s . We say that a sequence of function $u_n \in L_M(\Omega)$ is modular convergent to $u \in L_M(\Omega)$ if there exists a constant $\lambda > 0$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{M, \Omega}(\frac{u_n - u}{\lambda}) = 0$.

This implies convergence for $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi L_{\overline{M}})$ (see [17]). In the space $L_M(\Omega)$, we define the following two norms

$$\|u\|_M = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \int_{\Omega} M(x, \frac{|u(x)|}{\lambda}) dx \leq 1 \right\},$$

which is called the Luxemburg norm, and the so-called Orlicz norm by

$$\|u\|_{M, \Omega} = \sup_{\|v\|_{\overline{M}} \leq 1} \int_{\Omega} |u(x)v(x)| dx,$$

where \overline{M} is the Musielak-Orlicz function complementary to M . These two norms are equivalent [17]. $K_M(\Omega)$ is a convex subset of $L_M(\Omega)$. The closure in $L_M(\Omega)$ of the set of bounded measurable functions with compact support in $\overline{\Omega}$ is denoted $E_M(\Omega)$. It is a separable space and $(E_M(\Omega))^* = L_M(\Omega)$. We have $E_M(\Omega) = K_M(\Omega)$, if and only if M satisfies the Δ_2 -condition for large values of t or for all values of t , according to whether Ω has finite measure or not.

We define

$$W^1 L_M(\Omega) = \{u \in L_M(\Omega) : D^\alpha u \in L_M(\Omega), \quad \forall \alpha \leq 1\},$$

$$W^1 E_M(\Omega) = \{u \in E_M(\Omega) : D^\alpha u \in E_M(\Omega), \quad \forall \alpha \leq 1\},$$

where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N), |\alpha| = |\alpha_1| + \dots + |\alpha_N|$ and $D^\alpha u$ denote the distributional derivatives. The space $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$ is called the Musielak-Orlicz-Sobolev space. Let $\overline{\rho}_{M, \Omega}(u) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} \rho_{M, \Omega}(D^\alpha u)$ and $\|u\|_{M, \Omega}^1 = \inf \{ \lambda > 0 : \overline{\rho}_{M, \Omega}(\frac{u}{\lambda}) \leq 1 \}$ for $u \in W^1 L_M(\Omega)$.

These functionals are convex modular and a norm on $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$, respectively. Then pair $(W^1 L_M(\Omega), \|u\|_{M, \Omega}^1)$ is a Banach space if M satisfies the following condition (see [10]),

There exists a constant $c > 0$ such that $\inf_{x \in \Omega} M(x, 1) > c$.

The space $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$ is identified to a subspace of the product $\Pi_{\alpha \leq 1} L_M(\Omega) = \Pi L_M$. We denote by $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ the Schwartz space of infinitely smooth functions with compact support in Ω and by $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega})$ the restriction of $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ on Ω . The space $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$ is defined as the $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi E_{\overline{M}})$ closure of $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ in $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$ and the space $W_0^1 E_M(\Omega)$ as the (norm) closure of the Schwartz space $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ in $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$.

For two complementary Musielak-Orlicz functions M and \overline{M} , we have [17].

- The Young inequality:

$$st \leq M(x, s) + \overline{M}(x, t) \text{ for all } s, t \geq 0, x \in \Omega.$$

- The Holder inequality

$$\left| \int_{\Omega} u(x)v(x) dx \right| \leq \|u\|_{M, \Omega} \|v\|_{\overline{M}, \Omega} \text{ for all } u \in L_M(\Omega), v \in L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega).$$

We say that a sequence of functions u_n converges to u for the modular convergence in $W^1 L_M(\Omega)$ (respectively in $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$) if, for some $\lambda > 0$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\rho}_{M, \Omega} \left(\frac{u_n - u}{\lambda} \right) = 0.$$

The following spaces of distributions will also be used

$$W^{-1} L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega) : f = \sum_{\alpha \leq 1} (-1)^\alpha D^\alpha f_\alpha \right\}$$

where $f_\alpha \in L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$,

and

$$W^{-1}E_{\overline{M}}(\Omega) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega) : f = \sum_{\alpha \leq 1} (-1)^\alpha D^\alpha f_\alpha \right.$$

where $f_\alpha \in E_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$.

Lemma 1 [17] Let Ω be a bounded Lipschitz domain in \mathbb{R}^N and let M and \overline{M} be two complementary Musielak-Orlicz functions which satisfy the following conditions:

- There exists a constant $c > 0$ such that $\inf_{x \in \Omega} M(x, 1) > c$,
- There exists a constant $A > 0$ such that for all $x, y \in \Omega$ with $|x - y| \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$\frac{M(x, t)}{M(y, t)} \leq t^{\left(\frac{A}{\log\left(\frac{1}{|x-y|}\right)}\right)} \quad \text{for all } t \geq 1,$$

- For all $y \in \Omega$, $\int_{\Omega} M(y, 1) dx < \infty$,
- There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\overline{M}(y, t) \leq C \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega.$$

Under this assumptions $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ is dense in $L_M(\Omega)$ with respect to the modular topology, $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ is dense in $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$ for the modular convergence and $\mathcal{D}(\overline{\Omega})$ is dense in $W_0^1 L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$ for the modular convergence. Consequently, the action of a distribution S in $W^{-1} L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$ on an element u of $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$ is well defined. It will be denoted by $\langle S, u \rangle$.

2.3 Truncation Operator

$T_k, k > 0$, denotes the truncation function at level k defined on \mathbb{R} by $T_k(r) = \max(-k, \min(k, r))$. The following abstract lemmas will be applied to the truncation operators.

Lemma 2 [12] Let $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be uniformly lipschitzian, with $F(0) = 0$. Let M be an Musielak-Orlicz function and let $u \in W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$ (resp. $u \in W^1 E_M(\Omega)$). Then $F(u) \in W^1 L_M(\Omega)$ (resp. $u \in W_0^1 E_M(\Omega)$). Moreover, if the set of discontinuity points D of F' is finite, then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} F(u) = \begin{cases} F'(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} & \text{a.e. in } \{x \in \Omega; u(x) \notin D\} \\ 0 & \text{a.e. in } \{x \in \Omega; u(x) \in D\} \end{cases}$$

Lemma 3 Suppose that Ω satisfies the segment property and let $u \in W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$. Then, there exists a sequence $u_n \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ such that $u_n \rightarrow u$ for modular convergence in $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega)$. Furthermore, if $u \in W_0^1 L_M(\Omega) \cap L^\infty(\Omega)$ then $\|u_n\|_\infty \leq (N + 1) \|u\|_\infty$.

Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}^N and let M be a Musielak-Orlicz function satisfying

$$\int_0^1 \frac{M_x^{-1}(t)}{t^{\frac{N+1}{N}}} dt = \infty \quad \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega, \quad (2)$$

and the conditions of Lemma (1). We may assume without loss of generality that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{M_x^{-1}(t)}{t^{\frac{N+1}{N}}} dt < \infty \quad \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega. \quad (3)$$

Define a function $M^* : \Omega \times [0, \infty)$ by $M^*(x, s) = \int_0^s \frac{M_x^{-1}(t)}{t^{\frac{N+1}{N}}} dt$ $x \in \Omega$ and $s \in [0, \infty)$.

M^* its called the Sobolev conjugate function of M (see [18] for the case of Orlicz function).

Theorem 1 Let Ω be a bounded Lipschitz domain and let M be a Musielak-Orlicz function satisfying (2),(3) and the conditions of lemma (1). Then $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L_{M^*}(\Omega)$, where M^* is the Sobolev conjugate function of M . Moreover, if Φ is any Musielak-Orlicz function increasing essentially more slowly than M^* near infinity, then the imbedding $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L_\Phi(\Omega)$, is compact.

Corollaire 1 Under the same assumptions of theorem (1), we have $W_0^1 L_M(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L_M(\Omega)$.

Lemma 4 If a sequence $u_n \in L_M(\Omega)$ converges a.e. to u and if u_n remains bounded in $L_M(\Omega)$, then $u \in L_M(\Omega)$ and $u_n \rightarrow u$ for $\sigma(L_M(\Omega), E_{\overline{M}}(\Omega))$.

Lemma 5 Let $u_n, u \in L_M(\Omega)$. If $u_n \rightarrow u$ with respect to the modular convergence, then $u_n \rightarrow u$ for $\sigma(L_M(\Omega), L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega))$.

Démonstration: Let $\lambda > 0$ such that $\int_{\Omega} M(x, \frac{u_n - u}{\lambda}) dx \rightarrow 0$. Thus, for a subsequence, $u_n \rightarrow u$ a.e. in Ω . Take $v \in L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$. Multiplying v by a suitable constant, we can assume $\lambda v \in \mathcal{L}_{\overline{M}}(\Omega)$. By Young's inequality,

$$|(u_n - u)v| \leq M(x, \frac{u_n - u}{\lambda}) + \overline{M}(x, \lambda v)$$

which implies, by Vitali's theorem, that $\int_{\Omega} |(u_n - u)v| dx \rightarrow 0$.

2.4 Inhomogeneous Musielak-Orlicz-Sobolev spaces

Let Ω an bounded open subset \mathbb{R}^N and let $Q_T = \Omega \times]0, T[$ with some given $T > 0$. Let M be an Musielak-Orlicz function, for each $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^N$, denote by ∇_x^α the distributional derivative on Q_T of order α with respect to the variable $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$. The inhomogeneous Musielak-Orlicz-Sobolev spaces are defined as follows,

$$W^{1,\alpha} L_M(Q_T) = \{u \in L_M(Q_T) : \nabla_x^\alpha u \in L_M(Q_T),$$

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^N, |\alpha| \leq 1\},$$

$$W^{1,\alpha} E_M(Q_T) = \{u \in E_M(Q_T) : \nabla_x^\alpha u \in E_M(Q_T),$$

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^N, |\alpha| \leq 1\}.$$

The last space is a subspace of the first one, and both are Banach spaces under the norm $\|u\| = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} \|\nabla_x^\alpha u\|_{M, Q_T}$. We can easily show that they form a complementary system when Ω satisfies the Lipschitz domain [17]. These spaces are considered as subspaces of the product space $\Pi L_M(Q_T)$ which have as many copies as there is α -order derivatives, $|\alpha| \leq 1$. We shall also consider the weak topologies $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi E_{\overline{M}})$ and $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi L_{\overline{M}})$. If $u \in W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ then the function $t \mapsto u(t) = u(t, \cdot)$ is defined on $(0, T)$ with values $W^1L_M(\Omega)$. If, further, $u \in W^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)$ then the concerned function is a $W^{1,x}E_M(\Omega)$ -valued and is strongly measurable. Furthermore the following imbedding holds $W^{1,x}E_M(\Omega) \subset L^1(0, T, W^{1,x}E_M(\Omega))$. The space $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ is not in general separable, if $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$, we can not conclude that the function $u(t)$ is measurable on $(0, T)$. However, the scalar function $t \mapsto \|u(t)\|_{M, \Omega}$, is in $L^1(0, T)$. The space $W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)$ is defined as the (norm) closure $W^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)$ of $\mathcal{D}(Q_T)$. We can easily show as in [8], that when Ω has the segment property, then each element u of the closure of $\mathcal{D}(Q_T)$ with respect of the weak* topology $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi E_{\overline{M}})$ is a limit, in $W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)$, of some subsequence $(u_i) \subset \mathcal{D}(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence; i.e. there exists $\lambda > 0$ such that for all $|\alpha| \leq 1$

$$\int_{Q_T} M(x, \frac{\nabla_x^\alpha u_i - \nabla_x^\alpha u}{\lambda}) dx dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } i \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4)$$

This implies that (u_i) converge to u in $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ for the weak topology $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi L_{\overline{M}})$. Consequently,

$$\overline{\mathcal{D}(Q_T)}^{\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi E_{\overline{M}})} = \overline{\mathcal{D}(Q_T)}^{\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi L_{\overline{M}})}. \quad (5)$$

This space will be denoted by $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$. Furthermore, $W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T) = W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap \Pi E_M$. We have the following complementary system $\left(\begin{matrix} W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) & F \\ W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T) & F_0 \end{matrix} \right)$ F being the dual space of $W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)$. It is also, except for an isomorphism, the quotient of $\Pi L_{\overline{M}}$ by the polar set $W_0^{1,x}E_M(Q_T)^\perp$, and will be denoted by $F = W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ and it is show that,

$$W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) = \left\{ f = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} \nabla_x^\alpha f_\alpha : f_\alpha \in L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) \right\}.$$

This space will be equipped with the usual quotient norm $\|f\| = \inf \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} \|f_\alpha\|_{\overline{M}, Q_T}$ where the infimum is taken on all possible decompositions $f = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} \nabla_x^\alpha f_\alpha$, $f_\alpha \in L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$.

The space F_0 is then given by, $F_0 = \left\{ f = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} \nabla_x^\alpha f_\alpha : f_\alpha \in E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) \right\}$ and is denoted by $F_0 = W^{-1,x}E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$.

Theorem 2 [14] Let Ω be a bounded Lipschitz domain and let M be a Musielak-Orlicz function satisfying the

same conditions of Theorem (1). Then there exists a constant $\lambda > 0$ such that $\|u\|_M \leq \lambda \|\nabla u\|_M$, $\forall u \in W_0^1L_M(Q_T)$.

Definition 1 We say that $u_n \rightarrow u$ in $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence if we can write $u_n = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} D_x^\alpha u_n^\alpha + u_n^0$ and $u = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} D_x^\alpha u^\alpha + u^0$ with $u_n^\alpha \rightarrow u^\alpha$ in $L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ for modular convergence for all $|\alpha| \leq 1$ and $u_n^0 \rightarrow u^0$ strongly in $L^1(Q_T)$

Lemma 6 Let $\{u_n\}$ be a bounded sequence in $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ such that $\frac{\partial u_n}{\partial t} = \alpha_n + \beta_n$ in $\mathcal{D}'(Q_T)$, $u_n \rightarrow u$, weakly in $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$, for $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi E_{\overline{M}})$ with $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ two bounded sequences respectively in $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ and in $\mathcal{M}(Q_T)$. Then $u_n \rightarrow u$ in $L_{loc}^1(Q_T)$. Furthermore, if $u_n \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$, then $u_n \rightarrow u$ strongly in $L^1(Q_T)$.

Theorem 3 if $u \in W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^1(Q_T)$ (resp. $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^1(Q_T)$) and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$ then there exists a sequence (v_j) in $\mathcal{D}(\overline{Q_T})$ (resp. $\mathcal{D}(\overline{Q_T}, \mathcal{D}(Q_T))$) such that $v_j \rightarrow u$ in $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ and $\frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ in $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence.

Démonstration: Let $u \in W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^1(Q_T)$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$, then for any $\epsilon > 0$. Writing $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} D_x^\alpha u^\alpha + u^0$, where $u^\alpha \in L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ for all $|\alpha| \leq 1$ and $u^0 \in L^1(Q_T)$, we will show that there exists $\lambda > 0$ (depending Only on u and N) and there exists $v \in \mathcal{D}(\overline{Q_T})$ for which we can write $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 1} D_x^\alpha v^\alpha + v^0$ with $v^\alpha, v^0 \in \mathcal{D}(\overline{Q_T})$ such that

$$\int_{Q_T} M(x, \frac{D_x^\alpha v - D_x^\alpha u}{\lambda}) dx dt \leq \epsilon, \forall |\alpha| \leq 1, \quad (6)$$

$$\|v - u\|_{L^1(Q_T)} \leq \epsilon, \quad (7)$$

$$\|v^0 - u^0\|_{L^1(Q_T)} \leq \epsilon, \quad (8)$$

$$\int_{Q_T} \overline{M}(x, \frac{v^\alpha - u^\alpha}{\lambda}) dx dt \leq \epsilon, \forall |\alpha| \leq 1 \quad (9)$$

The equation (6) flows from a slight adaptation of the arguments [17], The equations (7), (8) flows also from classical approximation results. For The equation (9) we know that $\mathcal{D}(\overline{Q_T})$ is dense in $L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence. The case where $u \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^1(Q_T)$ can be handled similarly without essential difficulty as it mentioned [17].

Remark 2 The assumption $u \in L^1(Q_T)$ in theorem (3) is needed only when Q_T has infinite measure, since else, we have $L_M(Q_T) \subset L^1(Q_T)$ and so $W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^1(Q_T) = W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$.

Remark 3 If in the statement of theorem (3) above, one takes $I = \mathbb{R}$, we have that $\mathcal{D}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$ is dense in $\{u \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) \cap L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) : \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) + L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})\}$ for the modular convergence. This trivially follows from the fact that $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{D}(\Omega)) = \mathcal{D}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$.

Remark 4 Let $a < b \in \mathbb{R}$ and Ω be a bounded open subset of \mathbb{R}^N with the segment property, then $\{u \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times (a, b)) \cap L^1(\Omega \times (a, b)) : \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times (a, b)) + L^1(\Omega \times (a, b))\} \subset \mathcal{C}([a, b], L^1(\Omega))$.

Démonstration: Let $u \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times (a, b))$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times (a, b)) + L^1(\Omega \times (a, b))$.

After two consecutive reflections first with respect to $t = b$ and then with respect to $t = a$, $\hat{u}(x, t) = u(x, t)\chi_{(a,b)} + u(x, 2b-t)\chi_{(b,2b-a)}$ in $\Omega \times (b, 2b-a)$ and $\bar{u}(x, t) = \hat{u}(x, t)\chi_{(a,2b-a)} + \hat{u}(x, 2a-t)\chi_{(3a-2b,a)}$ in $\Omega \times (3a-2b, 2b-a)$. We get function $\bar{u} \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times (3a-2b, 2b-a))$ with $\frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times (3a-2b, 2b-a)) + L^1(\Omega \times (3a-2b, 2b-a))$. Now by letting a function $\eta \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ with $\eta = 1$ on $[a, b]$ and $supp \eta \subset (3a-2b, 2b-a)$, we set $\bar{u} = \eta \bar{u}$, therefore, by standard arguments (see [19]), we have $\bar{u} = u$ on $(\Omega \times (a, b))$, $\bar{u} \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) \cap L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$ and $\frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} \in W_0^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) + L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$. Let now v_j the sequence given by theorem (3) corresponding to \bar{u} , that is,

$$v_j \rightarrow \bar{u} \quad \text{in} \quad W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$$

and

$$\frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} \quad \text{in} \quad W_0^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) + L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$$

for the modular convergence.

If we denote $S_k(s) = \int_0^s T_k(t)dt$ the primitive of T_k .

We have, $\int_{\Omega} S_1(v_i - v_j)(\tau)dx = \int_{\Omega} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} T_1(v_i - v_j)(\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t})dxdt \rightarrow 0$ as $i, j \rightarrow 0$, from which, one deduces that v_j is a Cauchy sequence in $C(\mathbb{R}; L^1(\Omega))$ and hence $\bar{u} \in C(\mathbb{R}, L^1(\Omega))$. Consequently, $u \in C([a, b]; L^1(\Omega))$.

3 Formulation of the problem and main results

Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R}^N ($N \geq 2$) satisfying the segment property, and let M and P be two Musielak-Orlicz functions such that M and its complementary \overline{M} satisfies conditions of Lemma 1, M is decreasing in x and $P \ll M$.

$b : \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a Carathéodory function such that for every, $x \in \Omega$, $b(x, \cdot)$ is a strictly increasing $\mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R})$ -function and

$$b \in L^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) \quad \text{with} \quad b(x, 0) = 0, \quad (10)$$

There exists a constant $\lambda > 0$ and functions $A \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ and $B \in L_M(\Omega)$ such that

$$\lambda \leq \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} \leq A(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \nabla_x \left(\frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} \right) \right| \leq B(x) \quad (11)$$

a.e. $x \in \Omega$ and $\forall |s| \in \mathbb{R}$.

$A : D(A) \subset W_0^1L_M(Q_T) \rightarrow W^{-1}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ defined by $A(u) = -\text{div } a(x, t, u, \nabla u)$, where $a : Q_T \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$

is caratheodory function such that for a.e. $x \in \Omega$ and for all $s \in \mathbb{R}, \xi, \xi^* \in \mathbb{R}^N, \xi \neq \xi^*$

$$|a(x, t, s, \xi)| \leq \nu(a_0(x, t) + \overline{M}_x^{-1}P(x, |s|)), \quad (12)$$

with $a_0(\cdot, \cdot) \in E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$,

$$(a(x, t, s, \xi) - a(x, t, s, \xi^*))(\xi - \xi^*) > 0, \quad (13)$$

$$a(x, t, s, \xi) \cdot \xi \geq \alpha M(x, |\xi|) + M(x, |s|). \quad (14)$$

$\Phi(x, s, \xi) : Q_T \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ is a Carathéodory function such that

$$|\Phi(x, t, s)| \leq c(x, t)\overline{M}_x^{-1}M(x, \alpha_0|s|), \quad (15)$$

where $c(\cdot, \cdot) \in L^\infty(Q_T)$, $\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} \leq \alpha$, and $0 < \alpha_0 < \min(1, \frac{1}{\alpha})$.

$H(x, t, s, \xi) : Q_T \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a Carathéodory function such that

$$|H(x, t, s, \xi)| \leq h(x, t) + \rho(s)M(x, |\xi|), \quad (16)$$

$\rho : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is continuous positive function which belong $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $h(\cdot, \cdot)$ belong $L^1(Q_T)$.

$$f \in L^1(\Omega), \quad (17)$$

and

$$u_0 \in L^1(\Omega) \text{ such that } b(x, u_0) \in L^1(\Omega). \quad (18)$$

Note that \langle, \rangle means for either the pairing between $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^\infty(Q_T)$ and $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$ or between $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ and $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$.

Weak entropy solution: The definition of a entropy solution of Problem (1) can be stated as follows,

Definition 2 A measurable function u defined on Q_T is a entropy solution of Problem (1), if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$b(x, u) \in L^\infty(0, T; L^1(\Omega)), b(x, u)(t=0) = b(x, u_0) \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega,$$

$$T_k(u) \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T), \quad \forall k > 0, \quad \forall t \in]0, T],$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v}{\partial s}; \int_0^u \frac{\partial b(x, z)}{\partial s} T'_k(z - v) dz \right\rangle ds \\ + \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{u_0} \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v(0)) ds dx \\ + \int_{Q_T} a(u, \nabla u) \nabla T_k(u - v) dx ds + \int_{Q_T} \Phi(u) \nabla T_k(u - v) dx ds \\ + \int_{Q_T} H(u, \nabla u) T_k(u - v) dx ds \leq \int_{Q_T} f T_k(u - v) dx ds \\ \forall k > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \forall v \in W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T) \cap L^\infty(Q_T) \text{ with} \\ v(T) = 0, \quad \text{such that} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T) \end{array} \right. \quad (19)$$

Theorem 4 Assume that (11) – (18) hold true . Then there exists at least one solution u of the following problem (19).

4 Proof of theorem 4

Truncated problem.

For each $n > 0$, we define the following approximations

$$b_n(x, s) = b(x, T_n(s)) + \frac{1}{n} s \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (20)$$

$$a_n(x, t, s, \xi) = a(x, t, T_n(s), \xi) \quad \text{a.e. } (x, t) \in Q_T, \quad (21)$$

$\forall s \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^N,$

$$\Phi_n(x, t, s) = \Phi(x, t, T_n(s)) \quad \text{a.e. } (x, t) \in Q_T, \forall s \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (22)$$

$$H_n(x, t, s, \xi) = \frac{H(x, t, s, \xi)}{1 + \frac{1}{n}|H(x, t, s, \xi)|}, \quad (23)$$

$$f_n \in L^1(Q_T) \text{ such that } f_n \rightarrow f \text{ strongly in } L^1(Q_T), \quad (24)$$

$$\text{and } \|f_n\|_{L^1(Q_T)} \leq \|f\|_{L^1(Q_T)},$$

and

$$u_{0n} \in C_0^\infty(\Omega) \text{ such that } b_n(x, u_{0n}) \rightarrow b(x, u_0) \quad (25)$$

strongly in $L^1(\Omega)$.

Let us now consider the approximate problem :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} - \text{div}(a_n(x, t, u_n, \nabla u_n)) - \text{div}(\Phi_n(x, t, u_n)) \\ + H_n(x, u_n, \nabla u_n) = f_n \text{ in } Q_T, \\ u_n(x, t) = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ b_n(x, u_n)(t = 0) = b_n(x, u_{0n}) \text{ in } \Omega. \end{cases} \quad (26)$$

Since H_n is bounded for any fixed $n > 0$, there exists at last one solution $u_n \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ of (26)(see [20]).

Remark 5 the explicit dependence in x and t of the functions a , Φ and H will be omitted so that $a(x, t, u, \nabla u) = a(u, \nabla u)$, $\Phi(x, t, u) = \Phi(u)$ and $H(x, t, u, \nabla u) = H(u, \nabla u)$.

Proposition 1 let u_n be a solution of approximate equation (26) such that

$$\begin{cases} T_k(u_n) \rightarrow T_k(u) \text{ weakly in } W^{1,x}L_M(Q_T), \\ u_n \rightarrow u \text{ a.e. in } Q_T, \\ b_n(x, u_n) \rightarrow b(x, u) \text{ a.e. in } Q_T \text{ and } b(x, u) \in L^\infty(Q_T), \\ a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n) \rightarrow a(T_k(u), \nabla T_k(u)) \nabla T_k(u) \\ \text{weakly in } L^1(Q_T), \\ \nabla u_n \rightarrow \nabla u \text{ a.e. in } Q_T, \\ H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \rightarrow H(u, \nabla u) \text{ strongly in } L^1(Q_T). \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

then u be a solution of problem (19).

Démonstration: Let $v \in W_0^1L_M(Q_T) \cap L^\infty(Q_T)$ such that $\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_M(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$ with $v(T) = 0$, then by theorem 3 we can take $\bar{v} = v$ on Q_T , $\bar{v} \in W^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) \cap L^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}) \cap L^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$, $\frac{\partial \bar{v}}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_M(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$, and there exists $v_j \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$ such that $v_j(T) = 0$, $v_j \rightarrow \bar{v}$ in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(\Omega \times \mathbb{R})$ and

$$\frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial \bar{v}}{\partial t} \in W^{-1,x}L_M(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T), \quad (28)$$

for the modular convergence in $W_0^1L_M(Q_T)$, with $\|v_j\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} \leq (N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}$.

Pointwise multiplication of the approximate equation (26) by $T_k(u_n - v_j)$, we get

$$\begin{cases} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial s}; T_k(u_n - v_j) \right\rangle ds \\ + \int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds \\ + \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds \\ + \int_{Q_T} H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds \\ = \int_{Q_T} f_n T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

We pass to the limit as in (29), n tend to $+\infty$ and j tend to $+\infty$:

Limit of the first term of (29):

The first term can be written

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial s}; T_k(u_n - v_j) \right\rangle ds \\ &= \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v}{\partial s}; \int_0^{u_n} \frac{\partial b_n(x, z)}{\partial s} T_k'(z - v_j) dz \right\rangle ds \\ &+ \int_\Omega \int_0^{u_n(T)} \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(T)) ds dx \\ &- \int_\Omega \int_0^{u_{0n}} \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(0)) ds dx, \end{aligned}$$

the fact that $\frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} \geq 0$ and $v_j(T) = 0$, we get

$$\int_\Omega \int_0^{u(T)} \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(T)) ds dx =$$

$$\int_\Omega \int_0^{u(T)} \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s) ds dx \geq 0$$

On the other hand, we have u_{0n} converge to u_0 strongly in $L^1(\Omega)$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_\Omega \int_0^{u_{0n}} \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(0)) ds dx$$

$$= \int_\Omega \int_0^{u_0} \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(0)) ds dx,$$

with $M = k + (N+2)\|v\|_\infty$ and $T_M(u_n)$ converges to $T_M(u)$ strongly in $E_M(Q_T)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial t}; \int_0^{u_n} \frac{\partial b_n(x, z)}{\partial s} T_k'(z - v_j) dz \right\rangle ds \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial s}; \int_0^{T_M(u_n)} \frac{\partial b_n(x, z)}{\partial s} T_k'(z - v_j) dz \right\rangle ds \\ &= \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial s}; \int_0^{T_M(u)} \frac{\partial b(x, z)}{\partial s} T_k'(z - v_j) dz \right\rangle ds, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial s}; \int_0^{T_M(u)} \frac{\partial b(x, z)}{\partial s} T_k'(z - v_j) dz \right\rangle ds \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial b(x, u_n)}{\partial s} T_k(u_n - v_j) \right\rangle ds \\ & + \int_\Omega \int_0^{u_0} \left\langle \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v_j(0)) \right\rangle ds dx, \end{aligned}$$

using (28), the definition of T_k and pass to limit as $j \rightarrow +\infty$, we deduce

$$\int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial v}{\partial s}; \int_0^{T_M(u)} \frac{\partial b(x, z)}{\partial s} T'_k(z-v) dz \right\rangle ds$$

$$\leq \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{\partial b(x, u_n)}{\partial s} T_k(u_n - v_j) \right\rangle ds$$

$$+ \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{u_0} \left\langle \frac{\partial b(x, t)}{\partial s} T_k(s - v(0)) \right\rangle ds dx.$$

- We can follow same way in [21] to prove that

$$\liminf_{j \rightarrow \infty} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{Q_T} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds$$

$$\geq \int_{Q_T} a(u, \nabla u) \nabla T_k(u - v) dx ds.$$

- For $n \geq k + (N + 2) \|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}$ $\Phi_n(u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) = \Phi(T_{k+(N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j)$. The pointwise convergence of u_n to u as n tends to $+\infty$ and (15), then $\Phi(T_{k+(N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n - v_j) \rightarrow \Phi(T_{k+(N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}(u)) \nabla T_k(u - v_j)$ weakly for $\sigma(\Pi L_M, \Pi L_{\overline{M}})$.

In a similar way, we obtain

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{Q_T} \Phi(T_{k+(N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}(u)) \nabla T_k(u - v_j) dx ds$$

$$= \int_{Q_T} \Phi(T_{k+(N+2)\|v\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}(u)) \nabla T_k(u - v) dx ds$$

$$= \int_{Q_T} \Phi(u) \nabla T_k(u - v) dx ds.$$

- Limit of $H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) T_k(u_n - v_j)$: Since $H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n)$ converge strongly to $H(x, s, u, \nabla u)$ in $L^1(Q_T)$ and the pointwise convergence of u_n to u as $n \rightarrow +\infty$, it is possible to prove that $H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) T_k(u_n - v_j)$ converge to $H(u, \nabla u) T_k(u - v_j)$ in $L^1(Q_T)$ and $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{Q_T} H(u, \nabla u) T_k(u - v_j) dx ds = \int_{Q_T} H(u, \nabla u) T_k(u - v) dx ds$.

- Since f_n converge strongly to f in $L^1(Q_T)$, and $T_k(u_n - v_j) \rightarrow T_k(u_n - v_j)$ weakly* in $L^\infty(Q_T)$, we have $\int_{Q_T} f_n T_k(u_n - v_j) dx ds \rightarrow \int_{Q_T} f T_k(u - v_j) dx ds$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and also we have $\int_{Q_T} f T_k(u - v_j) dx ds \rightarrow \int_{Q_T} f T_k(u - v) dx ds$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. Finally, the above convergence result, we are in a position to pass to the limit as n tends to $+\infty$ in equation (29) and to conclude that u satisfies (19).

It remains to show that $b(x, u)$ satisfies the initial condition. In fact, remark that, $B_M(x, u_n) = \int_0^{u_n} \frac{\partial b(x, s)}{\partial s} T_M(s - v) ds$ is bounded in $L^\infty(Q_T)$. Secondly, by (69) we show that $\frac{\partial B_M(x, u_n)}{\partial t}$ is bounded in

$W^{-1, x} L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T) + L^1(Q_T)$. As a consequence, a Lemma 4 implies that $B_M(x, u_n)$ lies in a compact set of $C^0([0, T]; L^1(\Omega))$. It follows that, $B_M(x, u_n)(t = 0)$ converges to $B_M(x, u)(t = 0)$ strongly in $L^1(\Omega)$. On the other hand, the smoothness of B_M imply that $B_M(x, u_n)(t = 0)$ converges to $B_M(x, u)(t = 0)$ strongly in $L^1(\Omega)$, we conclude that $B_M(x, u_n)(t = 0) = B_M(x, u_0)$ converges to $B_M(x, u)(t = 0)$ strongly in $L^1(\Omega)$, we obtain $B_M(x, u)(t = 0) = B_M(x, u_0)$ a.e. in Ω and for all $M > 0$, now letting M to $+\infty$, we conclude that $b(x, u)(t = 0) = b(x, u_0)$ a.e. in Ω .

Remark 6 We focus our work to show the conditions of the proposition 27, then for this we go through 4 steps to arrive at our result.

Step 1: In this step let us begin by showing

Lemma 7

Let $\{u_n\}_n$ be a solution of the approximate problem (26), then for all $k > 0$, there exists a constants C_1 and C_2 such that

$$\int_{Q_T} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \leq k C_1, \quad (30)$$

and

$$\int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)|) dx dt \leq k C_2, \quad (31)$$

where C_1 and C_2 does not depend on the n and k .

Démonstration: Fixed $k > 0$,

Let $\tau \in (0, T)$ and using $\exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ \chi_{(0, \tau)}$ as a test function in problem (26), where

$G(s) = \int_0^s \frac{\rho(r)}{\alpha'} dr$ and $\alpha' > 0$ is a parameter to be specified later, we get:

$$\int_{Q_\tau} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial s} \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ \chi_{(0, t)} dx dt \quad (32)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_\tau} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \frac{\rho(u_n)}{\alpha'} \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla u_n T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \quad (33)$$

$$+ \int_{\{0 \leq u_n \leq k\}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \quad (34)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_\tau} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla (\exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+) dx dt \quad (35)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_\tau} H(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \quad (36)$$

$$\leq k \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \|f_n\|_{L^1(Q_T)}. \quad (37)$$

For the (32), we have

$$\int_{Q_\tau} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial s} \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ \chi_{(0, \tau)} dx dt$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} B_{n, k}(x, u_n(\tau)) dx - \int_{\Omega} B_{n, k}(x, u_n(0)) dx,$$

where

$$B_{n,k}(x, r) = \int_0^r \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} \exp(G(T_k(s))) T_k(s)^+ ds.$$

By (11), we have $\int_{\Omega} B_{n,k}(x, u_n(\tau)) dx \geq 0$ and

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} B_{n,k}(x, u_n(0)) dx \leq k \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \|b(x, u_0)\|_{L^1(\Omega)}.$$

For the (35), if we use (15) and Young inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Q_{\tau}} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla(\exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+) dx dt \leq \\ & \frac{\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha'} \left[\alpha_0 \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \right. \\ & \left. + \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \right] \\ & + \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)} \alpha_0 \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)} \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)^+|) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

For the (36), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Q_{\tau}} H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & \leq k \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \int_{Q_{\tau}} |h(x, t)| dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_{\tau}} \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) M(x, \nabla T_k(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

finally using the previous inequalities and (14), we obtain

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\alpha'} \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha'} \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_{\tau}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & \leq \frac{\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha'} \left[\alpha_0 \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \right. \\ & \left. + \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \right] \\ & + \alpha_0 \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)} \int_{\{0 \leq u_n \leq k\}} M(x, u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)} \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla T_k(u_n)^+) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & + k \left[\exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) (\|f\|_{L^1(Q_T)} + \|b(x, u_0)\|_{L^1(\Omega)} \right. \\ & \left. + \int_{Q_T} |h(x, t)| dx dt \right], \end{aligned} \right. \quad (38)$$

which becomes after simplification,

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{1 - \alpha_0 \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha'} \right] \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & + \left[\frac{\alpha - \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)} - \alpha'}{\alpha'} \right] \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, \nabla u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_{\tau}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \\ & \leq \frac{\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha} \left[\alpha_0 \alpha \int_{\{0 \leq u_n \leq k\}} M(x, u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt \right. \\ & \left. + \alpha M(x, \nabla T_k(u_n)^+) \exp(G(u_n)) dx dt \right] + kC. \end{aligned} \right. \quad (39)$$

If we choose α' such that $\alpha' < \alpha - \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}$ and using again (14) in (39) we get

$$\frac{\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha'} \left[\alpha_0 \int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, u_n) \rho(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \right] \left[1 - \frac{\|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^{\infty}(Q_T)}}{\alpha} \right] \int_{Q_{\tau}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n)^+ dx dt \leq kC. \quad (40)$$

we deduce,

$$\int_{\{0 \leq u_n \leq k\}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \leq kc_1.$$

one has $\exp(G(u_n)) \geq 1$ for in $\{(x, t) \in Q_T : 0 \leq u_n \leq k\}$ then

$$\int_{\{0 \leq u_n \leq k\}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \leq kc_1. \quad (41)$$

and by (14) another again

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)^+|) dx dt \leq kc_2. \quad (42)$$

Similarly, taking $\exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^- \chi_{(0, \tau)}$ as a test function in problem (26), we get

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} \exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^- dx dt \quad (43)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_{\tau}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla(\exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^-) dx dt \quad (44)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_{\tau}} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla(\exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^-) dx dt \quad (45)$$

$$+ \int_{Q_{\tau}} H(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^- dx dt \quad (46)$$

$$\geq \int_{Q_{\tau}} f_n \exp(-G(u_n)) T_k(u_n)^- dx dt. \quad (47)$$

and using same techniques above, we obtain

$$\int_{\{-k \leq u_n \leq 0\}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \leq kc_1. \quad (48)$$

since $\exp(-G(u_n)) \geq 1$ in $\{(x, t) \in Q_T : -k \leq u_n \leq 0\}$ and

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)^-|) dx dt \leq kc_2. \quad (49)$$

Combining now (41) and (48) we get,

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \leq kc_1, \quad (50)$$

in the same with (42) and (49) we get,

$$\int_{Q_{\tau}} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)|) dx dt \leq kc_2. \quad (51)$$

we conclude that $T_k(u_n)$ is bounded in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ independently of n , and for any $k > 0$, so there exists a subsequence still denoted by u_n such that

$$T_k(u_n) \rightharpoonup \xi_k \text{ weakly in } W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T). \quad (52)$$

On the other hand, using (51), we have

$$M(x, \frac{k}{\delta}) \text{meas}\{|u_n| > k\} \leq \int_{\{|u_n| > k\}} M(x, \frac{|T_k(u_n)|}{\delta}) dx dt \leq \int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla T_k(u_n)|) dx dt \leq kC_2,$$

then

$$\text{meas}\{|u_n| > k\} \leq \frac{kC_2}{M(x, \frac{k}{\delta})},$$

for all n and for all k .

Assuming that there exists a positive function M such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M(t)}{t} = +\infty$ and $M(t) \leq \text{ess inf}_{x \in \Omega} M(x, t)$, $\forall t \geq 0$. thus, we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \text{meas}\{|u_n| > k\} = 0.$$

Now we turn to prove the almost every convergence of u_n , $b_n(x, u_n)$ and $a_n(x, t, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$.

Proposition 2 Let u_n be a solution of the approximate problem, then

$$u_n \rightarrow u \text{ a.e in } Q_T, \quad (53)$$

$b_n(x, u_n) \rightarrow b(x, u)$ a.e in Q_T and

$$b(x, u) \in L^\infty(0, T, L^1(\Omega)), \quad (54)$$

$$a_n(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \rightharpoonup \omega_k \text{ in } (L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N, \quad (55)$$

for $\sigma(\Pi L_{\overline{M}}, \Pi E_M)$,

for some $\omega_k \in (L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$.

Démonstration:

Proof of (53) and (54):

Proceeding as in [22], we have for any $S \in W^{2,\infty}(\mathbb{R})$, such that S' , has a compact support ($\text{supp} S' \subset [-K, K]$).

$$B_S^n(x, u_n) \text{ is bounded in } W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T), \quad (56)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial B_S^n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} \text{ is bounded in } L^1(Q_T) + W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T), \quad (57)$$

independently of n .

Indeed, we have first

$$|\nabla B_S^n(x, u_n)| \leq \|A_K\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} |DT_k(u_n)| \|S'\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} + K \|S'\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} \quad (58)$$

a.e. in Q_T .

As a consequence of (58) and (51) we then obtain (56).

To show that (57) holds true, we multiply the equation (26) by $S'(u_n)$, to obtain

$$\frac{\partial B_S^n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} = \text{div}(S'(u_n)a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n)) - S''(u_n)a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n)\nabla u_n \quad (59)$$

$$+ \text{div}(S'(u_n)\Phi_n(u_n)) - S''(u_n)\Phi_n(u_n)\nabla u_n$$

$$+ H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n)S'(u_n) + f_n S'(u_n) \text{ in } \mathcal{D}(Q_T).$$

where $B_S^n(x, r) = \int_0^r S'(s) \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} ds$. Since $\text{supp} S'$ and $\text{supp} S''$ are both included in $[-K, K]$, u_n may be replaced by $T_k(u_n)$ in each of these terms. As a consequence, each term in the right hand side of (59) is bounded either in $W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ or in $L^1(Q_T)$ which shows that (57) holds true.

Arguing again as in [22] estimates (56), (57) and the following remark (1), we can show (53) and (54).

Proof of (55):

The same way in [15], we deduce that $a_n(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$ is a bounded sequence in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$, and we obtain (55).

Step 2: This technical lemma will help us in the step 3 of the demonstration,

Lemma 8 If the subsequence u_n satisfies (26), then

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\{|m \leq |u_n| \leq m+1\}} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n dx dt = 0. \quad (60)$$

Démonstration: Taking the function $Z_m(u_n) = T_1(u_n - T_m(u_n))^-$ and multiplying the approximating equation (26) by the test function $\exp(-G(u_n))Z_m(u_n)$ we get

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \int_{Q_T} B_{n,m}(x, u_n(T)) dx \\ & + \int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla(\exp(-G(u_n))Z_m(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla(\exp(-G(u_n))Z_m(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(-G(u_n))Z_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & = \int_{Q_T} f_n \exp(-G(u_n))Z_m(u_n) dx dt + \int_{Q_T} B_{n,m}(x, u_{0n}) dx \end{aligned} \right. \quad (61)$$

where $B_{n,m}(x, r) = \int_0^r \frac{\partial b_n(x, s)}{\partial s} \exp(-G(s))Z_m(s) ds$.

Using the same argument in step 2, we obtain

$$\int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla Z_m(u_n)|) dx dt \leq C \left(\int_{Q_T} |h(x, t)| Z_m(u_n) dx dt + \int_{Q_T} f_n Z_m(u_n) dx dt + \int_{\{|u_{0n}| > m\}} |b_n(x, u_{0n})| dx \right).$$

where

$$C = \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha - \|c(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}}\right).$$

Passing to limit as $n \rightarrow +\infty$, since the pointwise convergence of u_n and strongly convergence in $L^1(Q_T)$ of f_n and $b_n(x, u_{0n})$ we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla Z_m(u_n)|) dx dt \leq C \left(\int_{Q_T} f Z_m(u) dx dt + \int_{Q_T} |h(x, t)| Z_m(u) dx dt + \int_{\{|u_0| > m\}} |b(x, u_0)| dx \right).$$

By using Lebesgue's theorem and passing to limit as $m \rightarrow +\infty$, in the all term of the right-hand side, we get

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla Z_m(u_n)|) dx dt = 0, \quad (62)$$

On the other hand, by (15) and Young inequality, for $n > m + 1$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Q_T} |\Phi_n(x, t, u_n) \exp(-G(u_n)) \nabla Z_m(u_n)| dx dt \\ & \leq \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \left[\int_{\{-(m+1) \leq u_n \leq -m\}} M(x, \alpha_0 |T_{m+1}(u_n)|) dx dt \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla Z_m(u_n)|) dx dt \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the pointwise convergence of u_n and by Lebesgues theorem, it follows,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} |\Phi_n(u_n) \exp(-G(u_n)) \nabla Z_m(u_n)| dx dt \\ & \leq \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1}}{\alpha'}\right) \left[\int_{\{-(m+1) \leq u \leq -m\}} M(x, \alpha_0 |T_{m+1}(u)|) dx dt \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} M(x, |\nabla Z_m(u_n)|) dx dt \right] \end{aligned}$$

passing to the limit in as $m \rightarrow +\infty$, we get

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \exp(-G(u_n)) \nabla Z_m(u_n) dx dt = 0.$$

Finally passing to the limit in (61), we get

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\{-(m+1) \leq u_n \leq -m\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n dx dt = 0,$$

In the same way we take $Z_m(u_n) = T_1(u_n - T_m(u_n))^+$ and multiplying the approximating equation (26) by the test function $\exp(G(u_n))Z_m(u_n)$ and we also obtain

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\{m \leq u_n \leq m+1\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n dx dt = 0,$$

on the above we get (60).

Step 3: Almost everywhere convergence of the gradients.

This step is devoted to introduce a time regularization of the $T_k(u)$ for $k > 0$ in order to perform the monotonicity method.

Lemma 9 (See [23]) Under assumptions (11)-(18), and let (z_n) be a sequence in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ such that:

$$z_n \rightharpoonup z \text{ for } \sigma(\Pi L_M(Q_T), \Pi E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)), \quad (63)$$

$$(a(x, t, z_n, \nabla z_n)) \text{ is bounded in } (L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N, \quad (64)$$

$$\int_{Q_T} [a(x, t, z_n, \nabla z_n) - a(x, t, z_n, \nabla z \chi_s)] [\nabla z_n - \nabla z \chi_s] dx dt \rightarrow 0, \quad (65)$$

as n and s tend to $+\infty$, and where χ_s is the characteristic function of $Q_s = \{(x, t) \in Q_T; |\nabla z| \leq s\}$ then,

$$\nabla z_n \rightarrow \nabla z \text{ a.e. in } Q_T, \quad (66)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{Q_T} a(x, t, z_n, \nabla z_n) \nabla z_n dx dt = \int_{Q_T} a(x, t, z, \nabla z) \nabla z dx dt, \quad (67)$$

$$M(x, |\nabla z_n|) \rightarrow M(x, |\nabla z|) \text{ in } L^1(Q_T). \quad (68)$$

Let $v_j \in \mathcal{D}(Q_T)$ be a sequence such that $v_j \rightarrow u$ in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence.

This specific time regularization of $T_k(v_j)$ (for fixed $k \geq 0$) is defined as follows.

Let $(\alpha_0^\mu)_\mu$ be a sequence of functions defined on Ω such that

$$\alpha_0^\mu \in L^\infty(\Omega) \cap W_0^1L_M(\Omega) \text{ for all } \mu > 0, \quad (69)$$

$$\|\alpha_0^\mu\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} \leq k, \text{ for all } \mu > 0,$$

and α_0^μ converges to $T_k(u_0)$ a.e. in Ω and $\frac{1}{\mu} \|\alpha_0^\mu\|_{M,\Omega}$ converges to 0 as $\mu \rightarrow +\infty$.

For $k \geq 0$ and $\mu > 0$, let us consider the unique solution $(T_k(v_j))_\mu \in L^\infty(Q_T) \cap W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ of the monotone problem:

$$\frac{\partial(T_k(v_j))_\mu}{\partial t} + \mu((T_k(v_j))_\mu - T_k(v_j)) = 0 \text{ in } D'(\Omega),$$

$$(T_k(v_j))_\mu(t=0) = \alpha_0^\mu \text{ in } \Omega.$$

Remark that due to

$$\frac{\partial(T_k(v_j))_\mu}{\partial t} \in W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T).$$

We just recall that, $(T_k(v_j))_\mu \rightarrow T_k(u)$ a.e. in Q_T , weakly-* in $L^\infty(Q_T)$,

$(T_k(v_j))_\mu \rightarrow (T_k(u))_\mu$ in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$ for the modular convergence as $j \rightarrow +\infty$ and $(T_k(u))_\mu \rightarrow T_k(u)$ in $W_0^{1,x}L_M(Q_T)$, for the modular convergence as $\mu \rightarrow +\infty$.

$$\|(T_k(v_j))_\mu\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} \leq \max(\|(T_k(u))\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)}, \|\alpha_0^\mu\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)}) \leq k,$$

$$\forall \mu > 0, \forall k > 0.$$

We introduce a sequence of increasing $C^1(\mathbb{R})$ -functions S_m such that $S_m(r) = 1$ for $|r| \leq m$, $S_m(r) = m + 1 - |r|$ for $m \leq |r| \leq m + 1$, $S_m(r) = 0$ for $|r| \geq m + 1$ for any $m \geq 1$ and we denote by $\epsilon(n, \mu, \eta, j, m)$ the quantities such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{\mu \rightarrow +\infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \epsilon(n, \mu, \eta, j, m) = 0,$$

the main estimate is

For fixed $k \geq 0$, let $W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j} = T_\eta(T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j))_\mu^+$ and $W_{\mu,\eta}^j = T_\eta(T_k(u) - T_k(v_j))_\mu^+$.

Multiplying the approximating equation by $\exp(G(u_n))W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j}S_m(u_n)$ and using the same technique in step 2 we obtain:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \int_{Q_T} < \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla(W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j}) S_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S'_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & - \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla(W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j}) S_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & - \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla u_n \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S'_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & \leq \int_{Q_T} f_n \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} h(x, t) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt. \end{aligned} \right. \quad (70)$$

Now we pass to the limit in (70) for k real number fixed.

In order to perform this task we prove below the following results for any fixed $k \geq 0$:

$$\int_{Q_T} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \geq \epsilon(n, \mu, \eta, j) \quad (71)$$

for any $m \geq 1$,

$$\int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla(W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j}) dx dt = \epsilon(n, j, \mu) \quad (72)$$

for any $m \geq 1$,

$$\int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \nabla u_n S'_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt = \epsilon(n, j, \mu) \quad (73)$$

for any $m \geq 1$,

$$\int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n S'_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt \quad (74)$$

$$\leq \epsilon(n, m),$$

$$\int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla(W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j}) dx dt \quad (75)$$

$$\leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, j, \mu, m),$$

$$\int_{Q_T} f_n S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt$$

$$+ \int_{Q_T} h(x, t) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \quad (76)$$

$$\leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, \eta),$$

$$\int_{Q_T} [a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) - a(x, t, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u))]$$

$$\times [\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u)] dx dt \rightarrow 0. \quad (77)$$

Proof of (71):

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$$\int_{Q_T} \frac{\partial b_n(x, u_n)}{\partial t} \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \geq \epsilon(n, \mu, \eta, \eta, j) \quad (78)$$

$m \geq 1$.

Démonstration: We adopt the same technics in the proof in [8].

Proof of (72): If we take $n > m + 1$, we get $\Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) S_m(u_n) =$

$$\Phi(T_{m+1}(u_n)) \exp(G(T_{m+1}(u_n))) S_m(T_{m+1}(u_n)),$$

then $\Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) S_m(u_n)$ is bounded in $L_{\overline{M}}(Q)$, thus, by using the pointwise convergence of u_n and Lebesgue's theorem we obtain

$$\Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) S_m(u_n) \rightarrow \Phi(u) \exp(G(u)) S_m(u),$$

with the modular convergence as $n \rightarrow +\infty$, then $\Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) S_m(u_n) \rightarrow \Phi(u) \exp(G(u)) S_m(u)$ for $\sigma(\Pi L_{\overline{M}}, \Pi L_M)$.

On the other hand $\nabla W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} = \nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla(T_k(v_j))_{\mu}$ for $|T_k(u_n) - (T_k(v_j))_{\mu}| \leq \eta$ converge to $\nabla T_k(u) - \nabla(T_k(v_j))_{\mu}$ weakly in $(L_M(Q_T))^N$,

then $\int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) S_m(u_n) \nabla W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt \rightarrow \int_{Q_T} \Phi(u) S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla W_{\mu, \eta}^j dx dt$, as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

using the modular convergence of $W_{\mu, \eta}^j$ as $j \rightarrow +\infty$ and letting μ tends to infinity, we get (72).

Proof of (73): For $n > m + 1 > k$, we have $\nabla u_n S'_m(u_n) = \nabla T_{m+1}(u_n)$ a.e. in Q_T . By the almost every where convergence of u_n we have $\exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} \rightarrow \exp(G(u)) W_{\mu, \eta}^j$ in $L^\infty(Q_T)$ weak-* and since the sequence $(\Phi_n(T_{m+1}(u_n)))_n$ converge strongly in $E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ then $\Phi_n(T_{m+1}(u_n)) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} \rightarrow \Phi(x, t, T_{m+1}(u)) \exp(G(u)) W_{\mu, \eta}^j$, converge strongly in $E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T)$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$. By virtue of $\nabla T_{m+1}(u_n) \rightarrow \nabla T_{m+1}(u)$ weakly in $(L_M(Q_T))^N$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$ we have

$$\int_{\{m \leq |u_n| \leq m+1\}} \Phi_n(T_{m+1}(u_n)) \nabla u_n S'_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{\{m \leq |u| \leq m+1\}} \Phi(u) \nabla u \exp(G(u)) W_{\mu, \eta}^j dx dt$$

as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

with the modular convergence of $W_{\mu, \eta}^j$ as $j \rightarrow +\infty$ and letting $\mu \rightarrow +\infty$ we get (73).

Proof of (74): we have

$$\int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S'_m(u_n) \nabla u_n$$

$$\times \exp(G(u_n)) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt$$

$$= \int_{\{m \leq |u_n| \leq m+1\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S'_m(u_n) \nabla u_n$$

$$\times \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx dt$$

$$\leq \eta C \int_{\{m \leq |u_n| \leq m+1\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla u_n dx dt.$$

Using (60), we get

$$\int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S'_m(u_n) \nabla u_n \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu, \eta}^{n, j} dx ds$$

$$\leq \epsilon(n, \mu, m). \quad (78)$$

Proof of (76): Since $S_m(r) \leq 1$ and $W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j} \leq \eta$ we get

$$\int_{Q_T} f_n S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j} dx dt \leq \epsilon(n, \eta),$$

$$\int_{Q_T} h(x, t) \exp(G(u_n)) W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j} S_m(u_n) dx dt \leq C\eta.$$

Proof of (75):

$$\int_{Q_T} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla W_{\mu,\eta}^{n,j} dx dt$$

$$= \int_{\{|u_n| \leq k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a_n(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$$

$$\times S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu) dx dt$$

$$- \int_{\{|u_n| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n)$$

$$\times S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu dx dt \quad (79)$$

Since $a_n(T_{k+\eta}(u_n), \nabla T_{k+\eta}(u_n))$ is bounded in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$ there exist some $\omega_{k+\eta} \in (L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$ such that $a_n(T_{k+\eta}(u_n), \nabla T_{k+\eta}(u_n)) \rightarrow \omega_{k+\eta}$ weakly in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$.

Consequently,

$$\int_{\{|u_n| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) S_m(u_n)$$

$$\exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu dx dt$$

$$= \int_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} \omega_{k+\eta}$$

$$\times S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu dx dt + \epsilon(n), \quad (80)$$

where we have used the fact that

$$S_m(u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu \chi_{\{|u_n| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}}$$

$$\rightarrow S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu \chi_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}}$$

strongly in $(E_M(Q_T))^N$.

Letting $j \rightarrow +\infty$, we obtain

$$\int_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} \omega_{k+\eta}$$

$$S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu dx dt$$

$$= \int_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(u)_\mu \leq \eta\}} \omega_{k+\eta}$$

$$S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla T_k(u)_\mu dx dt + \epsilon(n, j),$$

One easily has,

$$\int_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(u)_\mu \leq \eta\}} S_m(u) \exp(G(u)) \nabla T_k(u)_\mu \omega_{k+\eta} dx dt$$

$$= \epsilon(n, j, \mu).$$

By (70)-(76), (79) and (80) we obtain

$$\int_{\{|u_n| \leq k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a_n(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) S_m(u_n)$$

$$\exp(G(u_n)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu) dx dt$$

$$\leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, j, \mu, m),$$

we know that $\exp(G(u_n)) \geq 1$ and $S_m(u_n) = 1$ for $|u_n| \leq k$ then

$$\int_{\{|u_n| \leq k\} \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a_n(x, t, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$$

$$\times (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j)_\mu) dx dt \leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, j, \mu, m). \quad (81)$$

Proof of (77): Setting for $s > 0$, $Q^s = \{(x, t) \in Q : |\nabla T_k(u)| \leq s\}$ and $Q_j^s = \{(x, t) \in Q : |\nabla T_k(v_j)| \leq s\}$ and denoting by χ^s and χ_j^s the characteristic functions of Q^s and Q_j^s respectively, we deduce that letting $0 < \delta < 1$, define

$$\Theta_{n,k} = (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u)))$$

$$\times (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u))$$

For $s > 0$, we have

$$0 \leq \int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta dx dt = \int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt$$

$$+ \int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta \chi_{\{T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu > \eta\}} dx dt$$

The first term of the right-side hand, with the Hölder inequality,

$$\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt \leq$$

$$\left(\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt \right)^\delta \left(\int_{Q^s} dx dt \right)^{1-\delta}$$

$$\leq C_1 \left(\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt \right)^\delta$$

Also using the Hölder inequality, the second term of the right-side hand is

$$\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta \chi_{\{T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu > \eta\}} dx dt \leq \left(\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} dx dt \right)^\delta$$

$$\times \left(\int_{\{T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu > \eta\}} dx dt \right)^{1-\delta}$$

since $a(x, t, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$ is bounded in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$, while $\nabla T_k(u_n)$ is bounded in $(L_M(Q_T))^N$ then $\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta \chi_{\{T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu > \eta\}} dx dt \leq C_2 \text{meas}\{(x, t) \in Q_T : |T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu| > \eta\}^{1-\delta}$

We obtain,

$$\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k}^\delta dx dt \leq C_1 \left(\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt \right)^\delta$$

$$+ C_2 \text{meas}\{(x, t) \in Q_T : T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu > \eta\}^{1-\delta}$$

On the other hand,

$$\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta\}} dx dt$$

$$\leq \int_{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_\mu \leq \eta} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$$

$$- a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u)) \chi_s) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u)) \chi_s dx dt$$

For each $s > r, r > 0$, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \int_{Q^r \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u))) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u)) dx dt \\
 &\leq \int_{Q^s \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u))) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u)) dx dt \\
 &= \int_{Q^s \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u) \chi_s)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u) \chi_s) dx dt \\
 &\leq \int_{Q \cap \{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) dx dt \\
 &= \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) dx dt \\
 &\quad + \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad \quad \times (\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) dx dt \\
 &\quad + \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} (a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \\
 &\quad \quad - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s)) \nabla T_k(u_n) dx dt \\
 &\quad - \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \\
 &\quad \quad \times \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s dx dt \\
 &\quad + \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s dx dt \\
 &= I_1(n, j, s) + I_2(n, j) + I_3(n, j) + I_4(n, j, \mu) + I_5(n, \mu)
 \end{aligned}$$

we will go to the limit as n, j, μ , and $s \rightarrow +\infty$ $I_1 =$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad \times (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) dx dt \\
 &- \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \\
 &\quad \times (\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) dx dt \\
 &- \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \\
 &\quad \times (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) dx dt
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (81), the first term of the right-hand side, we get $\int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) dx dt$

$$\leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, m, j, s)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &- \int_{\{|u| > k\} \cap \{|T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu}| \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u), 0) \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu} dx dt \\
 &\leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, m, j, \mu)
 \end{aligned}$$

The second term of the right-hand side tends to

$$\int_{\{|T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu}| \leq \eta\}} \omega_k (\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) dx dt$$

since $a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))$ is bounded in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$, there exist some $\omega_k \in (L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$ such that (for a subsequence still denoted by u_n)

$$\begin{aligned}
 a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) &\rightarrow \omega_k \text{ in } (L_M(Q_T))^N \\
 &\text{for } \sigma(\Pi L_{\overline{M}}, \Pi E_M)
 \end{aligned}$$

In view of the fact that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} \rightarrow \\
 &(\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(v_j)_{\mu}) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} \text{ Strongly in } \\
 &(E_M(Q_T))^N \text{ as } n \rightarrow +\infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

the third term of the right-hand side tends to

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \\
 &\quad (\nabla T_k(u) - \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) dx dt
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} \rightarrow a(T_k(u), \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}}$ in $(E_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$ while

$$(\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s) \rightarrow (\nabla T_k(u) - \nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s)$$

in $(L_M(Q_T))^N$ for $\sigma(\Pi L_{\overline{M}}, \Pi E_M)$ Passing to limit as $j \rightarrow +\infty$ and $\mu \rightarrow +\infty$ and using Lebesgue's theorem, we have

$$I_1 \leq C\eta + \epsilon(n, j, s, \mu)$$

For what concerns I_2 , by letting $n \rightarrow +\infty$, we have

$$I_2 \rightarrow \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} \omega_k (\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) dx dt$$

Since $a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) \rightarrow \omega_k$ in $(L_{\overline{M}}(Q_T))^N$, for $\sigma(\Pi L_{\overline{M}}, \Pi E_M)$, while $(\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u_n) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}}$

$$\rightarrow (\nabla T_k(v_j) \chi_j^s - \nabla T_k(u) \chi^s) \chi_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(v_j)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}}$$

strongly in $(E_M(Q_T))^N$.

Passing to limit $j \rightarrow +\infty$, and using Lebesgue's theorem, we have

$$I_2 = \epsilon(n, j)$$

Similar ways as above give

$$I_3 = \epsilon(n, j)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_4 &= \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(u)_{\mu} \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u), \nabla T_k(u)) \nabla T_k(u) dx dt \\
 &\quad + \epsilon(n, j, \mu, s, m)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I_5 = \int_{\{0 \leq T_k(u) - T_k(u)_\mu \leq \eta\}} a(T_k(u), \nabla T_k(u)) \nabla T_k(u) dx dt + \epsilon(n, j, \mu, s, m)$$

Finally, we obtain,

$$\int_{Q^s} \Theta_{n,k} dx dt \leq C_1(C\eta + \epsilon(n, \mu, \eta, m))^\delta + C_2(\epsilon(n, \mu,))^{1-\delta}$$

Which yields, by passing to the limit sup over n, j, μ, s and η

$$\int_{Q^r \cap \{0 \leq T_\eta(T_k(u) - T_k(u)_\mu)\}} [(a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) - a(T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u_n))]^\delta dx dt = \epsilon(n) \quad (82)$$

Taking on the hand the function $W_{\eta, \mu}^{n,j} = T_\eta(T_k(u_n) - (T_k(v_j))_\mu)^-$ and $W_{\eta, \mu}^j = T_\eta(T_k(u) - (T_k(v_j))_\mu)^-$. Multiplying the approximating equation by $\exp(G(u_n)) W_{\eta, \mu}^{n,j} S_m(u_n)$, we obtain

$$\int_{Q^r \cap \{T_\eta(T_k(u_n) - (T_k(v_j))_\mu) \leq 0\}} [(a(x, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) - a(x, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u_n))]^\delta dx dt = \epsilon(n) \quad (83)$$

by (82) and (83) we get

$$\int_{Q^r} [(a(x, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n)) - a(x, T_k(u_n), \nabla T_k(u_n))) (\nabla T_k(u_n) - \nabla T_k(u_n))]^\delta dx dt = \epsilon(n)$$

Thus, passing to a subsequence if necessary, $\nabla u_n \rightarrow \nabla u$ a.e. in Q^r , and since r is arbitrary,

$$\nabla u_n \rightarrow \nabla u \text{ a.e. in } Q_T$$

Step 4: Equi-integrability of the nonlinearity sequence

We shall prove that $H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \rightarrow H(u, \nabla u)$ strongly in $L^1(Q_T)$.

Consider $g_0(u_n) = \int_0^{u_n} \rho(s) \chi_{\{s>h\}} ds$ and multiply (26)

by $\exp(G(u_n)) g_0(u_n)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\int_{Q_T} B_h^n(x, u_n) dx \right]_0^T + \int_{Q_T} a(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla (\exp(G(u_n)) g_0(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} \Phi_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \nabla (\exp(G(u_n)) g_0(u_n)) dx dt \\ & + \int_{Q_T} H_n(u_n, \nabla u_n) \exp(G(u_n)) g_0(u_n) dx dt \\ & \leq \left(\int_h^{+\infty} \rho(s) dx \right) \exp\left(\frac{\|\rho\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})}}{\alpha'}\right) (\|f_n\|_{L^1(Q)} + \|h(x, t)\|_{L^1(Q_T)}) \end{aligned}$$

where $B_h^n(x, r) = \int_0^r \frac{\partial b(x,s)}{\partial s} g_0(s) \exp(G(T_k(s))) ds \geq 0$ then using same technique in step 2 we can have

$$\int_{\{u_n>h\}} \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt \leq C \left(\int_h^{+\infty} \rho(s) dx \right)$$

Since $\rho \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, we get

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{\{u_n>h\}} \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt = 0$$

Similarly, let $g_0(u_n) = \int_{u_n}^0 \rho(s) \chi_{\{s<-h\}} dx$ in (26), we have also

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{\{u_n<-h\}} \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt = 0$$

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{\{|u_n|>h\}} \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt = 0 \quad (84)$$

Let $D \subset Q_T$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt & \leq \max_{\{|u_n| \leq h\}} \rho(y) \int_{D \cap \{|u_n| \leq h\}} M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt \\ & + \int_{D \cap \{|u_n| > h\}} \rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n) dx dt \end{aligned}$$

Consequently $\rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n)$ is equi-integrable. Then $\rho(u_n) M(x, \nabla u_n)$ converge to $\rho(u) M(x, \nabla u)$ strongly in $L^1(\mathbb{R})$. By (16), we get our result.

As a conclusion, the proof of Theorem (4) is complete.

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