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$$w_t = \Delta w - \nabla \cdot (\chi w \nabla v) + \chi w \nabla v \cdot \nabla v$$

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1. Introduction and main results

As a natural extension of the Lotka–Volterra model, the following system of equations is considered, where $(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3_+$ and $t \geq 0$ denote the population densities of the prey, the predator, and the predator of the predator, respectively. The system is given by

$$\begin{cases} u_t = u(1-u) - f_1(u, v)v, \\ v_t = f_1(u, v)v - f_2(v, w)w - \theta_1 v, \\ w_t = f_2(v, w)w - \theta_2 w, \end{cases} \quad t > 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where $(u, v, w) := (u, v, w)(t)$ and $f_i (i = 1, 2)$ are continuous functions satisfying $f_i(0) = 0$ and $f_i(u, v) \geq 0$ for $u, v \geq 0$. The functions $f_i (i = 1, 2)$ are assumed to be of the form

$$f_i(y, z) = \frac{a_i}{b_i + y} \quad (a_i, b_i > 0), \quad (1.1)$$

or

$$f_i(y, z) = \frac{y}{y + m_i z} \quad (m_i > 0), \quad (1.1)$$

where a_i, b_i, m_i are positive constants. The system (1.1) is studied in [12, 22, 24, 26, 25, 32].

It is well known that the system (1.1) has a unique solution (u, v, w) for any initial data $(u_0, v_0, w_0) \in \mathbb{R}^3_+$. The solution (u, v, w) is nonnegative and bounded. The system (1.1) is studied in [13].

Let $f_i (i = 1, 2)$ be of the form (1.1). Then the system (1.1) can be written as

$$f_i(y, z) = \frac{y}{1 + A_i y + B_i z} \quad (A_i, B_i > 0), \quad (1.1)$$

where A_i, B_i are positive constants. The system (1.1) is studied in [30, 46].

$$f_1(u, v) = u, \quad f_2(v, w) = v. \quad (1.2)$$

$$\begin{cases} u_t = d_1 \Delta u + u(1 - u) - b_1 uv, & x \in \Omega, t > 0 \\ v_t = d_2 \Delta v - \nabla \cdot (\xi v \nabla u) + uv - b_2 vw - \theta_1 v, & x \in \Omega, t > 0 \\ w_t = \Delta w - \nabla \cdot (\chi w \nabla v) + vw - \theta_2 w, & x \in \Omega, t > 0, \\ \partial_\nu u = \partial_\nu v = \partial_\nu w = 0, & x \in \partial\Omega, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), v(x, 0) = v_0(x), w(x, 0) = w_0(x), & x \in \Omega, \end{cases} \quad (1.3)$$

where $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a bounded domain with smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$, $n \geq 1$.

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- u, v, w are non-negative functions, $u, v, w \in C^{2,1}(\bar{\Omega} \times [0, \infty))$;
- d_1, d_2 are positive constants, $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$;
- ξ, χ are non-negative functions, $\xi, \chi \in C^1(\bar{\Omega} \times [0, \infty))$;
- b_1, b_2 are non-negative constants, $b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$;
- θ_1, θ_2 are non-negative constants, $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

where $\nabla \cdot$ denotes the divergence operator.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (u_s, v_s, w_s) \\
 & = \begin{cases} (0, 0, 0) & (1, 0, 0), & \theta_1 \geq 1, \\ (0, 0, 0) & (1, 0, 0) & (\theta_1, \frac{1-\theta_1}{b_1}, 0), & \theta_1 < 1 \text{ n } \theta_1 + b_1\theta_2 \geq 1, \\ (0, 0, 0) & (1, 0, 0) & (\theta_1, \frac{1-\theta_1}{b_1}, 0) & (u_*, v_*, w_*) & \theta_1 < 1 \text{ n } \theta_1 + b_1\theta_2 < 1, \end{cases} \\
 & (u_*, v_*, w_*) = \begin{cases} (1 - b_1\theta_2, \theta_2, \frac{1 - b_1\theta_2 - \theta_1}{b_2}) \end{cases}. \quad (1.4)
 \end{aligned}$$

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 & (0, 0, 0) \text{ n } (1, 0, 0) \text{ n } (\theta_1, \frac{1-\theta_1}{b_1}, 0) \\
 & \text{ n } (u_*, v_*, w_*) \text{ n } \\
 & \text{ n } \|v\|_{L^\infty} \text{ n } 1.1 \text{ n } \\
 & \text{ n } \chi > 0 \text{ (3.5). n }
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.2 (Global stabilization). Assume the conditions in Theorem 1.1 hold. Let (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3) obtained in Theorem 1.1 and let $K = \{1, \|u_0\|_{L^\infty}\}$. Then the following results hold true.

- If $\theta_1 > 1$, the steady state $(1, 0, 0)$ is globally asymptotically stable;
- If $\theta_1 < 1$ and $\theta_1 + b_1\theta_2 > 1$, the steady state $(\theta_1, \frac{1-\theta_1}{b_1}, 0)$ is globally asymptotically stable provided

$$\xi^2 < \frac{4d_1d_2\theta_1}{(1 - \theta_1)K^2}.$$

- If $\theta_1 < 1$ and $\theta_1 + b_1\theta_2 < 1$, the steady state (u_*, v_*, w_*) defined by (1.4) is globally asymptotically stable provided

$$\xi^2 < \frac{4d_1d_2u_*}{b_1K^2v_*} \text{ and } \chi^2 < \frac{4d_1d_2u_*v_* - \xi^2b_1K^2v_*^2}{b_2d_1u_*w_*\|v\|_{L^\infty}^2}, \quad (1.5)$$

where $\|v\|_{L^\infty}$ depends on b_1, b_2, θ_1 but is independent of χ .

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 & 21 \text{ n } (1, 2, 6, 10, 17, 19, 27, 36, 38 \text{ 41, 44, 45 } \text{ n }) \text{ n } \\
 & \text{ n } (1.3) \\
 & L^\infty \text{ n } w, \text{ n } \\
 & \|\nabla v\|_{L^\infty} \text{ n } w \text{ n } u. \text{ n } L^\infty \text{ n } \nabla v \\
 & \|v\|_{L^1} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \text{ n } \|v\|_{L^\infty}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\| \nabla v \|_{L^\infty} \leq C \| \nabla u \|_{L^\infty} + C \| \nabla w \|_{L^\infty} \quad (1.7)$

$u_0 \in W^{2,\infty}(\Omega) \quad (1.2)$

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2. Local existence and preliminaries

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Lemma 2.1 (Local existence). *Let the assumptions in Theorem 1.1 hold. Then there exists a constant $T_{\max} \in (0, \infty]$ such that the problem (1.3) has a unique classical solution*

$$(u, v, w) \in [C^0(\bar{\Omega} \times [0, T_{\max})) \cap C^{2,1}(\bar{\Omega} \times (0, T_{\max}))]^3$$

satisfying $u, v, w > 0$ for all $t > 0$. Moreover,

$$\text{if } T_{\max} < \infty, \text{ then } \lim_{t \nearrow T_{\max}} \|u(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} + \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} + \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} = \infty.$$

Lemma 2.2. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold. Then the solution of (1.3) satisfies*

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \quad (2.1)$$

where $K = \{1, \|u_0\|_{L^\infty}\}$.

Proof. (2.1) follows from (1.1), (1.2), (1.3), (1.4), (1.5), (1.6), (1.7), (1.8), (1.9), (1.10), (1.11), (1.12), (1.13), (1.14), (1.15), (1.16), (1.17), (1.18), (1.19), (1.20). $\square$

Lemma 2.3. Suppose the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold. Then the solution of (1.3) satisfies

$$\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} + \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} \leq K_1, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \quad (2.2)$$

where $K_1 > 0$ is a constant independent of t, ξ and χ .

Proof. From (1.3), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} (u + b_1 v + b_1 b_2 w) = \int_{\Omega} u(1 - u) - b_1 \theta_1 \int_{\Omega} v - b_1 b_2 \theta_2 \int_{\Omega} w. \quad (2.3)$$

By (2.1), we have

$$2 \int_{\Omega} u \leq \int_{\Omega} u^2 + |\Omega|,$$

and from (2.3) we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} (u + b_1 v + b_1 b_2 w) + \int_{\Omega} u + b_1 \theta_1 \int_{\Omega} v + b_1 b_2 \theta_2 \int_{\Omega} w \leq |\Omega|. \quad (2.4)$$

Let $\sigma_1 = \max\{1, \theta_1, \theta_2\}$, then

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} (u + b_1 v + b_1 b_2 w) + \sigma_1 \int_{\Omega} (u + b_1 v + b_1 b_2 w) \leq |\Omega|,$$

which implies that $\int_{\Omega} (u + b_1 v + b_1 b_2 w) \leq |\Omega| e^{-\sigma_1 t}$. (2.2). $\square$

By Lemma 2.2 and (2.2), we have $\int_{\Omega} u \leq |\Omega| e^{-\sigma_1 t}$. (2.2). $\square$

Lemma 2.4. Let $T > 0$, $\tau \in (0, T)$, $a > 0$ and $b > 0$. Suppose that $y : [0, T) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is absolutely continuous and fulfills

$$y'(t) + ay(t) \leq h(t) \quad \text{for all } t \in (0, T),$$

with some nonnegative function $h \in L^1_{loc}([0, T))$ satisfying $\int_t^{t+\tau} h(t) \leq b$ for all $t \in [0, T - \tau)$. Then

$$y(t) \leq y(0) + b, \frac{b}{a\tau} + 2b \quad \text{for all } t \in (0, T).$$

Lemma 2.5 ([29]). Let Ω be a bounded domain in $\mathbb{R}^2$ with smooth boundary and $f \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$. Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $C_\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$\|f\|_{L^3}^3 \leq \varepsilon \|\nabla f\|_{L^2}^2 \|f\|_{L^1} + C_\varepsilon (\|f\|_{L^1}^2 \|f\|_{L^1} + \|f\|_{L^1}).$$

Lemma 2.6 ([28]). Assume that Ω is a bounded domain, and let $g \in C^2(\bar{\Omega})$ satisfy $\frac{\partial g}{\partial \nu} = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Then we have

$$\frac{\partial |\nabla g|^2}{\partial \nu} \leq 2\kappa |\nabla g|^2,$$

where $\kappa = \kappa(\Omega)$ is an upper bound of the curvatures of $\partial\Omega$.

Lemma 2.7. Let $\phi \in C^2(\bar{\Omega})$ be a positive function satisfying $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \nu} = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Then there exists a constant $\kappa_1 > 0$ such that

$$\kappa_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 \phi|^2}{\phi} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3} \leq \int_{\Omega} \phi |D^2 \nabla \phi|^2. \quad (2.5)$$

Proof. By (4.3),

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3} \leq (2 + \sqrt{2})^2 \int_{\Omega} \phi |D^2 \nabla \phi|^2. \quad (2.6)$$

$$\nabla |\nabla \phi|^2 = 2D^2 \phi \cdot \nabla \phi, \quad \nabla \phi \cdot \nu = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3} &= \int_{\Omega} |\nabla \nabla \phi|^2 \nabla \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla \phi \\ &= - \int_{\Omega} \phi \nabla |\nabla \nabla \phi|^2 \cdot \nabla \nabla \phi - \int_{\Omega} \phi |\nabla \nabla \phi|^2 \Delta \nabla \phi \\ &= -2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{(D^2 \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla \phi) \cdot \nabla \phi}{\phi} - \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^2 \Delta \nabla \phi}{\phi} \\ &\leq 2 \int_{\Omega} \phi |D^2 \nabla \phi|^2 \int_{\Omega}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3} + \int_{\Omega} \phi |\Delta \nabla \phi|^2 \int_{\Omega}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3} \\ &\leq (2 + \sqrt{2}) \int_{\Omega} \phi |D^2 \nabla \phi|^2 \int_{\Omega}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{|\nabla \phi|^4}{\phi^3}, \end{aligned}$$

(2.6).

$$(a - b)^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}a^2 - b^2 \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \nabla$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \phi |D^2 \nabla \phi|^2 = \int_{\Omega} \phi \sum_{k,l=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{\phi} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_k \partial x_l} - \frac{1}{\phi^2} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_l} \right]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left| \phi \sum_{k,l=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\phi} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_k \partial x_l} \right)^2 - \phi \left(\frac{1}{\phi^2} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_l} \right)^2 \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |D^2 \phi|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|v\|_{C_0^\infty(\Omega)} \leq \|v\|_{L^q(\Omega)} \quad (2.8) \quad \text{for } z \in L^q(\Omega) \quad 1 \leq q < \infty$$

3. Proof of Theorem 1.1

$$\|v\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|v\|_{L^q} \quad \text{for } q \geq 1$$

3.1. Boundedness of $\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty}$

$$\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|v\|_{L^q} \quad \text{for } q \geq 1$$

Lemma 3.1. *Let (u, v, w) be the solution obtained in Lemma 2.1. Then it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v \ln v + d_1 \int_{\Omega} u |D^2 u|^2 + \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \right] \\ & \leq \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1(K + \theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v \ln v| + \frac{K_1 b_1}{\xi} \frac{b_2}{e} + K, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

for all $t \in (0, T_{\max})$, where K and K_1 are presented in (2.1) and (2.2), respectively.

Proof. By (1.3) and (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{\Omega} \frac{u_t}{u} \Delta u + d_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta u|^2}{u} &= \int_{\Omega} (u-1) \Delta u + b_1 \int_{\Omega} v \Delta u \\ &= - \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 - b_1 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

By

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{\Omega} \frac{u_t}{u} \Delta u &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla (u)_t \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \frac{\nabla u}{u} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{(|\nabla u|^2)_t}{u} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} u \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + d_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} u_t - b_1 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v. \quad (3.4)$$

By (1.3), we have, for $t \in (0, T_{\max})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} u_t &= \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2(1-u)}{u} - \frac{b_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2 v}{u} \\ &= \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 - \frac{b_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2 v}{u}, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from (3.4).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + d_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta u|^2}{u} + \frac{3}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{b_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2 v}{u} \\ = \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u - b_1 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

By (3.5), we have, for $t \in (0, T_{\max})$,

$$\nabla u \cdot \nabla \Delta u =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Omega} u |D^2 u|^2 &= \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} - 2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{u^2} D^2 u \cdot \nabla u \cdot \nabla u \\
&= \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{u^2} \nabla(|\nabla u|^2) \cdot \nabla u \\
&= \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u - 2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} \\
&= \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} - \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

By (3.6) and (3.7),

$$\frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} \Delta u = d_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta u|^2}{u} + \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS - d_1 \int_{\Omega} u |D^2 u|^2 \tag{3.8}$$

$t \in (0, T_{\max})$, and by (3.5),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{3}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + d_1 \int_{\Omega} u |D^2 u|^2 + \frac{b_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2 v}{u} \\
&= \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} - b_1 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

By (1.3), $\frac{b_1(nv+1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \leq 0$, $t \in (0, T_{\max})$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{b_1}{\xi} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} v \nabla v + \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\
&= b_1 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} uv(nv+1) - \frac{b_1 \theta_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v(nv+1) - \frac{b_1 b_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} wv(nv+1).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

By (3.9) and (3.10), we have $0 < u \leq K$, $\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} \leq K_1$, $\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} \leq K_1$ and $v \nabla v \geq -\frac{1}{e}$, $v \geq 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v \nabla v + \frac{3}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 \\
&+ d_1 \int_{\Omega} u |D^2 u|^2 + \frac{b_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2 v}{u} + \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} uv(\nu + 1) \\
&\quad - \frac{b_1 \theta_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v(\nu + 1) - \frac{b_1 b_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} wv(\nu + 1) \\
&\leq \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1(K + \theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v - \nu| + \frac{K_1 b_1 b_2}{e\xi} + \frac{b_1 K K_1}{\xi} \\
&t \in (0, T_{\max}), \quad \quad \quad (3.1). \quad \quad \quad 3.1. \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3.2. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3). Then one has*

$$\|v - \nu(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} + \|\nabla u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2} \leq K_2, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}) \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$\int_t^{t+\tau} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} + \int_t^{t+\tau} \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^2 \leq K_3 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \quad (3.12)$$

where K_2 and K_3 are positive constants independent of χ and

$$\tau := \min\left\{1, \frac{1}{2}T_{\max}\right\} \quad \text{and} \quad T_{\max} := \begin{cases} T_{\max} - \tau, & T_{\max} < \infty, \\ \infty, & T_{\max} = \infty. \end{cases} \quad (3.13)$$

Proof. $\triangleright$ [\(2.7\)](#), $\int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} \leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3}$, $c_1 = d_1 \kappa_1$,

$$d_1 \int_{\Omega} u |D^2 \nu u|^2 \geq c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

we have $\int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} \leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3}$ [\(3.1\)](#).

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v - \nu \int_{\Omega} + c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\
&\leq \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1(K + \theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v - \nu| + \frac{b_1 K_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{e} + K
\end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

$$t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad \triangleright \quad \text{By [\(2.6\)](#) and [\(3.1\)](#), we have [\(3.4\)](#), [\(52.9\)](#) } \quad (3.15)$$

$$\|z\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)} \leq \varepsilon \|\nabla z\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + C_{\varepsilon} \|z\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \text{for } \varepsilon > 0, \quad (3.15)$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d_1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{u} dS &\leq \kappa d_1 \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} dS = 4\kappa d_1 \|\nabla u^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{c_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + c_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector.

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \frac{c_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\ &\leq \frac{1+2c_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1(K+\theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}| + \frac{b_1 K_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{e} + K \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\|\mathbf{u}(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K$, $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector.

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1+2c_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} \leq (1+c_2) \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \frac{c_1}{4} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \frac{(1+c_2)^2 K |\Omega|}{c_1} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\|v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2} = \|v\|_{L^1}^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq K_1^{\frac{1}{2}}$ (see (2.3)), $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector.

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{b_1}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} v \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \frac{b_1(K+\theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}| \leq \frac{b_1(1+K+\theta_1)}{\xi} \int_{\Omega} |v \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}| \\ &\leq \frac{c_3}{\xi} \|v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^3}^3 + \frac{c_3}{\xi} \\ &\leq \frac{c_4}{\xi} (\|\nabla v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2} \|v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2}^2 + \|v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2}^3) \\ &\leq \frac{c_4 K_1}{\xi} \|\nabla v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2} + \frac{c_4 K_1^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\xi} \\ &\leq \frac{b_1 d_2}{\xi} \|\nabla v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{c_5}{\xi} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

where $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)^\top$ is the unit normal vector, $t \in (0, T_{\max})$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} v \ln v \right) + \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} + \frac{b_1}{\xi} v \ln v \right) \\ & + \frac{c_1}{4} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 u|^2}{u} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^4}{u^3} + \frac{3b_1 d_2}{4\xi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \leq c_6, \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^4 + 2d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla u|^2|^2 + 4d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 |D^2 u|^2 \\ &= 2d_1 \int_{\partial \Omega} |\nabla u|^2 \frac{\partial |\nabla u|^2}{\partial \nu} dS \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4(\sqrt{2} + 2)b_1 K \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla u|^2 |D^2 u|^2 \\
&\leq 2d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 |D^2 u|^2 + \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 b_1^2 K^2}{d_1} \int_{\Omega} v^2 |\nabla u|^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned}$$

By (3.25), (3.26) and (3.22),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^4 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^4 + d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla u||^2 + 2d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 |D^2 u|^2 \\
&\leq \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 b_1^2 K^2}{d_1} \int_{\Omega} v^2 |\nabla u|^2 + c_3 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

By (1.3), $v, u \in C([0, T_{\max}]; L^\infty(\Omega))$, $\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K$, $t \in (0, T_{\max})$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} v^2 + d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 + b_2 \int_{\Omega} v^2 w + \theta_1 \int_{\Omega} v^2 = \xi \int_{\Omega} v \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} u v^2 \\
&\leq \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 + \frac{\xi^2}{2d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^2 |\nabla u|^2 + K \int_{\Omega} v^2,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} v^2 + \int_{\Omega} v^2 + d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \leq \frac{\xi^2}{d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^2 |\nabla u|^2 + (2K + 1) \int_{\Omega} v^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.28)$$

Let $y(t) := \int_{\Omega} v^2 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^4$, by (3.27) and (3.28),

$$\begin{aligned}
&y'(t) + y(t) + d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 + d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla u||^2 + 2d_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 |D^2 u|^2 \\
&\leq \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 b_1^2 K^2 d_2 + \xi^2 d_1}{d_1 d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^2 |\nabla u|^2 + (2K + 1) \int_{\Omega} v^2 + c_3
\end{aligned} \quad (3.29)$$

$$\leq \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 b_1^2 K^2 d_2 + \xi^2 d_1}{d_1 d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^{\frac{2}{3}} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^6 + (2K + 1) |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{3}} \int_{\Omega} v^{\frac{2}{3}} + c_3$$

$$\leq c_4 \|v\|_{L^3}^2 (\|\nabla u\|_{L^6}^2 + 1) + c_3 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

$$c_4 = \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 b_1^2 K^2 d_2 + \xi^2 d_1}{d_1 d_2} + (2K + 1) |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

By (3.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla u\|_{L^6}^2 &= \|\nabla u\|_{L^3}^2 \leq c_5 \|\nabla|\nabla u|^2\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{3}} \|\nabla u\|_{L^1}^{\frac{1}{3}} + c_5 \|\nabla u\|_{L^1}^2 \\ &\leq c_5 K_2^{\frac{2}{3}} \|\nabla|\nabla u|^2\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{3}} + c_5 K_2^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

By (3.30), we have

$$\begin{aligned} c_4 \|v\|_{L^3}^2 (\|\nabla u\|_{L^6}^2 + 1) &\leq c_4 c_5 K_2^{\frac{2}{3}} \|v\|_{L^3}^2 \|\nabla|\nabla u|^2\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{3}} + c_4 (c_5 K_2^2 + 1) \|v\|_{L^3}^2 \\ &\leq d_1 \|\nabla|\nabla u|^2\|_{L^2}^2 + c_6 \|v\|_{L^3}^3 + c_7 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_6 \|v\|_{L^3}^3 &\leq d_1 \|\nabla|\nabla u|^2\|_{L^2}^2 + c_7 \\ &\leq K_2 \chi(t) \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2), \quad 2.3$$

2.5,

$$c_6 \|v\|_{L^3}^3 \leq d_2 \|\nabla v\|_{L^2}^2 + c_8 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.32)$$

By (3.31) and (3.32), we have

$$y'(t) + y(t) \leq c_3 + c_7 + c_8 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

By (3.20), we have

3.3. $\square$

Lemma 3.4. Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3). Then there exists a constant $K_5 > 0$ independent of χ and t such that

$$\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^3} \leq K_5 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.33)$$

Proof. By (1.3) and (3.20), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{3} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} v^3 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^2 + \theta_1 \int_{\Omega} v^3 \\ &= 2\xi \int_{\Omega} v^2 \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} uv^3 - b_2 \int_{\Omega} v^3 w \\ &\leq d_2 \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^2 + \frac{\xi^2}{d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^3 |\nabla u|^2 + K \int_{\Omega} v^3 \\ &\leq d_2 \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^2 + \frac{\xi^2}{d_2} \int_{\Omega} v^6 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^4 + K \int_{\Omega} v^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla u(\cdot, t) = \nabla e^{d_1 t \Delta} u_0 + \int_0^t \nabla e^{d_1(t-s)\Delta} [u(1-u) - b_1 u v] ds \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.37)$$

$$\text{for } 0 < u \leq K \text{ and } \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^3} \leq K_5, \text{ for all } t \in [0, T_{\max}).$$

$$\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|v_0\|_{L^\infty} + \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)(d_2\Delta - \theta_1)} \nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)\|_{L^\infty} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)(d_2\Delta - \theta_1)} uv\|_{L^\infty} ds \\ & \leq \|v_0\|_{L^\infty} + \gamma_4 \xi \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-(\lambda_1 d_2 + \theta_1)(t-s)} \|v \nabla u\|_{L^3} ds \\ & \quad + \gamma_3 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{-\theta_1(t-s)} \|uv\|_{L^3} ds \\ & \leq \|v_0\|_{L^\infty} + \gamma_4 \xi (c_1 + K) K_5 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-\theta_1(t-s)} ds \\ & \quad + \gamma_3 (c_1 + K) K_5 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{-\theta_1(t-s)} ds \\ & \leq \|v_0\|_{L^\infty} + (c_1 + K) K_5 \left[\frac{\gamma_4}{\theta_1} \xi (1 + \theta_1^{\frac{5}{6}} \Gamma(1/6)) + \frac{\gamma_3}{\theta_1} (1 + \theta_1^{\frac{1}{3}} \Gamma(2/3)) \right] \\ & \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.36).$$

3.5. $\square$

3.2. Boundedness of $\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty}$

$$\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|w_0\|_{L^\infty} + \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)(d_2\Delta - \theta_1)} \nabla \cdot (w \nabla u)\|_{L^\infty} ds$$

Lemma 3.6. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of the system (1.3). Then there exists a constant $K_7 > 0$ independent of t such that and for all $p > 1$*

$$\|D^2 u\|_{L^p}^p \leq K_7 \quad t \in (0, \bar{T}_{\max}) \quad (3.43)$$

and

$$e^{-p(t-s)} \|\Delta u\|_{L^p}^p \leq K_7 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}), \quad (3.44)$$

where τ and $\bar{T}_{\max}$ are defined in (3.13).

$$\frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v^2} \Delta v = d_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta v|^2}{v} + \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial|\nabla v|^2}{\partial\nu} \frac{1}{v} dS - d_2 \int_{\Omega} v |D^2 \nabla v|^2. \quad (3.48)$$

$$, \text{ by (2.7), } \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \leq \kappa_1 d_2 > 0, \quad (3.49)$$

$$c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} \leq d_2 \int_{\Omega} v |D^2 \nabla v|^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.49)$$

$$\text{By (3.47), (3.48) and (3.49) and (3.46), we have}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} + c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + \frac{b_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 w}{v} + \frac{\theta_1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\ & \leq \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial|\nabla v|^2}{\partial\nu} \frac{1}{v} dS - \frac{\xi}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla u}{v^2} - \frac{\xi}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 \Delta u}{v} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 u}{v} \\ & + \xi \int_{\Omega} \frac{\nabla v \cdot \nabla u \Delta v}{v} + \xi \int_{\Omega} \Delta u \cdot \Delta v - \int_{\Omega} u \Delta v - b_2 \int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla w \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.50)$$

$$\text{By (1.3) and } \frac{b_2}{\chi} (\nabla w + 1), \text{ we have } \int_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot \nabla w \leq \int_{\Omega} w (\nabla w + 1), \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).$$

$$\frac{b_2}{\chi} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w (\nabla w + 1) + \frac{b_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{w} = b_2 \int_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot \nabla w + \frac{b_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} w (\nabla w + 1) - \frac{b_2 \theta_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} w (\nabla w + 1). \quad (3.51)$$

$$\text{By (3.51) and (3.50), we have } \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^1} \leq K_1 \text{ ((2.2)), } \|u\|_{L^\infty} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty} + \|v\|_{L^\infty} \leq c_2 \text{ ((2.1), (3.36) and (3.39)),}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{\chi} w (\nabla w + 1) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{\chi} w (\nabla w + 1) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\ & + c_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + \frac{b_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{w} \\ & \leq \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial|\nabla v|^2}{\partial\nu} \frac{1}{v} dS + \frac{\xi(c_2 + 1)}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^3}{v^2} + \frac{\xi}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 |\Delta u|}{v} + \frac{c_2 + 1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\ & + \xi c_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v| |\Delta v|}{v} + \xi \int_{\Omega} |\Delta u| |\Delta v| + c_2 \int_{\Omega} |\Delta v| \\ & + \frac{b_2(c_2 + 1)}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} w (\nabla w + 1) \leq 576.007577571658.908314.13 \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

By (2.6), (3.15) and (3.16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial |\nabla v|^2}{\partial \nu} \frac{1}{v} dS &\leq \kappa d_2 \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} dS = 4\kappa d_2 \|\nabla v^{\frac{1}{2}}\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{c_1}{8} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_3 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \\ &\leq \frac{c_1}{6} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_4. \end{aligned} \quad (3.53)$$

By (3.53) and (3.16), we have

$$\frac{\xi c_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^3}{v^2} \leq \frac{c_1}{8} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_5 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \leq \frac{c_1}{6} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_6 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max})$$

By

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\xi}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2 |\Delta u|}{v} + \frac{c_2 + 1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} + \xi c_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v| |\Delta v|}{v} + \xi \int_{\Omega} |\Delta u| |\Delta v| + c_2 \int_{\Omega} |\Delta v| \\ \leq \frac{c_1}{6} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_7 \int_{\Omega} v |\Delta u|^2 + v \\ \leq \frac{c_1}{6} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|D^2 v|^2}{v} + \frac{|\nabla v|^4}{v^3} + c_8 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^2 + c_9 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned}$$

By (3.16) and (3.17), we have

$$\frac{b_2(c_2 + 1 + \theta_2)}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} |w \cdot \nabla w| \leq c_{10} \int_{\Omega} w^{\frac{3}{2}} + c_{11} \leq \frac{b_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{w} + c_{12} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.54)$$

By (3.53)–(3.54) and (3.52), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{\chi} w \cdot \nabla w + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} + \int_{\Omega} \frac{b_2}{\chi} w \cdot \nabla w + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \leq c_8 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^2 + c_{13},$$

By (3.12) and (2.4), we have

$$\frac{b_2}{\chi} \int_{\Omega} w \cdot \nabla w + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} \leq c_{14} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} w \nabla w \leq c_{15} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \\ & \int_{\Omega} w \nabla w \geq -\frac{1}{e} \quad w \geq 0. \quad \square \end{aligned} \quad (3.45)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} (w^2 + |\nabla v|^4).$$

Lemma 3.8. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3). Then there is a constant $K_9 > 0$ such that*

$$\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^4} \leq K_9, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.55)$$

Proof. By (1.3) and (3.36), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w^2 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + \theta_2 \int_{\Omega} w^2 &= \chi \int_{\Omega} w \nabla v \cdot \nabla w + \int_{\Omega} v w^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 \\ &+ \frac{\chi^2}{2} \int_{\Omega} w^2 |\nabla v|^2 + K_6 \int_{\Omega} w^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w^2 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + \int_{\Omega} w^2 \leq \chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^2 |\nabla v|^2 + (2K_6 + 1) \int_{\Omega} w^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.56)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} w^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + c_1, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.57)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w^2 + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + \int_{\Omega} w^2 \leq \chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^2 |\nabla v|^2 + c_1 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \quad (3.57)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla \Delta v \cdot \nabla v| = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \Delta |\nabla v|^2 - \int_{\Omega} |D^2 v|^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 &= \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla v_t \\ &= d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla \Delta v - \xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)) + \int_{\Omega} \nabla (uv - b_2 vw - \theta_1 v) \cdot \nabla v |\nabla v|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \frac{\partial |\nabla v|^2}{\partial \nu} dS - \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 - d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 \\
&\quad - \xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)) - \int_{\Omega} (b_2 w + \theta_1) |\nabla v|^4 + \int_{\Omega} u |\nabla v|^4 \\
&\quad + \int_{\Omega} v (\nabla u - b_2 \nabla w) \cdot \nabla v |\nabla v|^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),
\end{aligned}$$

By (3.36) and (3.39), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + 4d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + 4 \int_{\Omega} (b_2 w + \theta_1) |\nabla v|^4 \\
&= 2d_2 \int_{\partial\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \frac{\partial |\nabla v|^2}{\partial \nu} dS - 4\xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)) \\
&\quad + 4 \int_{\Omega} v (\nabla u - b_2 \nabla w) \cdot \nabla v |\nabla v|^2 + 4 \int_{\Omega} u |\nabla v|^4 \quad (3.58) \\
&\leq 2d_2 \int_{\partial\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \frac{\partial |\nabla v|^2}{\partial \nu} dS - 4\xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)) \\
&\quad + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w| |\nabla v|^3 + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 + 4K \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.6 and (3.15), we have

$$2d_2 \int_{\partial\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \frac{\partial |\nabla v|^2}{\partial \nu} dS \leq 4\kappa d_2 \int_{\partial\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 dS \leq \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + c_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 \quad (3.59)$$

for $t \in (0, T_{\max})$. Also, by (3.58), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + 4d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + 4 \int_{\Omega} (b_2 w + \theta_1) |\nabla v|^4 \leq \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&- 4\xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot (v \nabla u)) \\
&= 4\xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla (v \nabla u) + 4\xi \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \Delta v \nabla \cdot (v \nabla u) \\
&\leq c_3 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v| |\nabla |\nabla v|^2| (|\nabla v| + |\Delta u|) + c_3 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v| (|\nabla v| + |\Delta u|) \quad (3.60)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \leq d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + \frac{c_3^2}{d_2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \frac{c_3^2}{d_2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |\Delta u|^2 \\
& \leq d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4.
\end{aligned}$$

By (3.59), (3.60) and (3.58), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + 2d_2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 \\
& \leq (4K + c_2 + c_4) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 |\nabla w| \\
& \leq c_5 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 |\nabla w| + c_6 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 |\nabla w|, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.61}$$

By (3.61), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(c_5 + 2) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 &= (c_5 + 2) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla v \\
&= -(c_5 + 2) \int_{\Omega} v \nabla |\nabla v|^2 \cdot \nabla v - (c_5 + 2) \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^2 \Delta v \\
&\leq (c_5 + 2) K_6 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2| |\nabla v| + (c_5 + 2) K_6 \sqrt{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v| \\
&\leq \frac{d_2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + c_7 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 \\
&\leq \frac{d_2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 \\
&\quad + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \frac{c_7^2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$(c_5 + 1) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 \leq \frac{d_2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + \frac{d_2}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 + \frac{c_7^2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \tag{3.62}$$

By (3.62), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 \nabla v \cdot \nabla v \\
& = -2 \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^2 \nabla |\nabla v|^2 \cdot \nabla v - \int_{\Omega} v |\nabla v|^4 \Delta v \\
& \leq 2K_6 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 |\nabla |\nabla v|^2| + \sqrt{2}K_6 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 |D^2 v| \\
& \leq \frac{3}{8} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 + 4K_6^2 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla |\nabla v|^2|^2 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 |D^2 v|^2 \geq c_8 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \quad (3.63)$$

By (3.62) and (3.63) and (3.61), we have $|\Delta u| \leq \sqrt{2}|D^2 u|$, $t \in (0, T_{max})$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \frac{c_8 d_2}{4} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 & \leq c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_1 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^3 |\nabla w| + c_9 \\
& \leq c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + \frac{c_8 d_2}{8} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 + c_{10} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + c_{11},
\end{aligned}$$

$t \in (0, T_{max})$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 + \frac{c_8 d_2}{8} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 \leq c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_{10} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + c_{11}. \quad (3.64)$$

By (3.57) and (3.64),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} (4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4) + \int_{\Omega} (4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4) + c_{10} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + \frac{c_8 d_2}{8} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 \\
& \leq 4c_{10}\chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^2 |\nabla v|^2 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_{12} \\
& \leq \frac{c_8 d_2}{8} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^6 + c_{13} \int_{\Omega} w^3 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2 u|^4 + c_{12} \quad t \in (0, T_{max}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} 4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4 + \int_{\Omega} 4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4 + c_{10} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 \\ \leq c_{13} \int_{\Omega} w^3 + c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2u|^4 + c_{12} \int_{\Omega} w^3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.65)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By (2.5), (2.2) and (3.45), we have} \\ \int_{\Omega} c_{13} w^3 \leq c_{10} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 + c_{13} \int_{\Omega} w^3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.66)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By (3.66) and (3.65), we have} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} 4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4 + \int_{\Omega} 4c_{10}w^2 + |\nabla v|^4 \leq c_4 \int_{\Omega} |D^2u|^4 + c_{14} \int_{\Omega} w^3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \\ \text{By (3.67), we have} \\ \int_{\Omega} |D^2u|^4 \leq c_{15} \int_{\Omega} w^{t+\tau} \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.67)$$

Lemma 3.9. Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3). Then we can find a constant $K_{10} > 0$ independent of t such that

$$\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^3} \leq K_{10} \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \quad (3.68)$$

Proof. By (1.3), we have

$$\frac{1}{3} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w^3 + 2 \int_{\Omega} w |\nabla w|^2 + \theta_2 \int_{\Omega} w^3 = 2\chi \int_{\Omega} w^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla w + \int_{\Omega} v w^3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \quad (3.69)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By (3.69) and (3.68), we have} \\ 2\chi \int_{\Omega} w^2 \nabla v \cdot \nabla w + \int_{\Omega} v w^3 \leq 2\chi \int_{\Omega} w^2 |\nabla v| |\nabla w| + K_6 \int_{\Omega} w^3 \\ \leq \int_{\Omega} w |\nabla w|^2 + \chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^3 |\nabla v|^2 + K_6 \int_{\Omega} w^3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.70)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By (3.70) and (3.69), we have} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} w^3 + 3 \int_{\Omega} w |\nabla w|^2 + \int_{\Omega} w^3 \leq 3\chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^3 |\nabla v|^2 + (3K_6 + 1) \int_{\Omega} w^3 \end{aligned} \quad (3.71)$$

$$\text{By (3.71), we have} \\ \int_{\Omega} w^3 \leq K_9 \int_{\Omega} w^3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}). \quad (3.72)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\Omega} 3\chi^2 w^3 |\nabla v|^2 &\leq 3\chi^2 \int_{\Omega} w^6 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^4 \\
 &\leq 3\chi^2 K_9^2 \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^4}^2 \\
 &\leq 3\chi^2 K_9^2 c_1 (\|\nabla w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^2}^{\frac{4}{3}} \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^{\frac{4}{3}}}^{\frac{2}{3}} + \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^{\frac{4}{3}}}^2) \\
 &\leq \int_{\Omega} w |\nabla w|^2 + c_2 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.72}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (3K_6 + 1) \int_{\Omega} w^3 &= (3K_6 + 1) \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^2}^2 \\
 &\leq c_3 \|\nabla w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{3}} \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^{\frac{4}{3}}}^{\frac{4}{3}} + \|w^{\frac{3}{2}}\|_{L^{\frac{4}{3}}}^2 \\
 &\leq \int_{\Omega} w |\nabla w|^2 + c_4 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}).
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.73}$$

By (3.72) and (3.73) and (3.71), $\int_{\Omega} \frac{d}{dt} w^3 + \int_{\Omega} w^3 \leq c_3 + c_4$,
 (3.68) $\int_{\Omega} w^3 \leq c_3 + c_4$. $\square$

Lemma 3.10. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of the system (1.3). Then there exists a constant $K_{11} > 0$ independent of t such that*

$$\|\nabla v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K_{11}, \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \tag{3.74}$$

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 (3.13). n n (3.74) $t \in (\tau, T_{\max})$.
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$$v_t - d_2 \Delta v + v = -\xi \nabla v \cdot \nabla u - \xi v \Delta u + uv - b_2 v w + (1 - \theta_1) v. \quad (5.1) \tag{5.72 53.74}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} &\leq \|\nabla e^{(t-\tau)(d_2\Delta-1)}v(\cdot, \tau)\|_{L^\infty} + \xi \int_{\tau}^t \|\nabla e^{(t-s)(d_2\Delta-1)}(\nabla v \cdot \nabla u + v\Delta u)\|_{L^\infty} ds \\
&\quad + \int_{\tau}^t \|\nabla e^{(t-s)(d_2\Delta-1)}[uv - b_2vw + (1-\theta_1)v]\|_{L^\infty} ds \\
&\leq c_1 + \xi\gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{3}{4}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|\nabla v \cdot \nabla u\|_{L^4} ds \\
&\quad + \xi\gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{2}{3}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|v\Delta u\|_{L^6} ds \\
&\quad + \gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|uv - b_2vw + (1-\theta_1)v\|_{L^3} ds \\
&:= c_1 + I_1 + I_2 + I_3 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.76}$$

$$\|\nabla u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} + \|\nabla v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^4} \leq c_2 \quad (3.39) \quad \text{n} \quad (3.55), \quad \text{n}$$

$$\|\nabla v \cdot \nabla u\|_{L^4} \leq \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla v\|_{L^4} \leq c_2^2, \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max})$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
I_1 &= \xi\gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{3}{4}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|\nabla v \cdot \nabla u\|_{L^4} ds \\
&\leq c_2^2 \xi\gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{3}{4}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} ds \\
&\leq c_3 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.77}$$

$$\text{n} \quad \text{n} \quad \text{n}, \quad \text{n} \quad \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K_6 \quad \text{n} \quad \int_{\tau}^t e^{-6(t-s)} \|\Delta u\|_{L^6}^6 ds \leq K_7 \quad (3.5) \quad \text{n} \quad (3.6),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
I_2 &= \xi\gamma_2 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{2}{3}})e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|v\Delta u\|_{L^6} ds \\
&\leq \xi\gamma_2 K_6 \int_{\tau}^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{2}{3}})^{\frac{6}{5}} e^{-\frac{6d_2\lambda_1}{5}(t-s)} ds \int_{\tau}^t e^{-6(t-s)} \|\Delta u\|_{L^6}^6 ds^{\frac{1}{6}} \quad (3.78)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq K_7^{\frac{1}{6}} \xi \gamma_2 K_6 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{2}{3}})^{\frac{6}{5}} e^{-\frac{6d_2\lambda_1}{5}(t-s)} ds \\ & \leq c_4 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K \quad (2.2), \quad \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K_6 \quad (3.5) \quad \text{and} \quad \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^3} \leq K_{10} \quad (3.9), \quad \text{and}$$

$$\|uv - b_2vw + (1 - \theta_1)v\|_{L^3} \leq K K_6 |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{3}} + b_2 K_6 K_{10} + (1 + \theta_1) K_6 |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{3}} \leq c_5 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= \gamma_2 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|uv - b_2vw + (1 - \theta_1)v\|_{L^3} ds \\ &\leq c_5 \gamma_2 \int_0^t (1 + (t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-(d_2\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} ds \\ &\leq c_6 \quad t \in (\tau, T_{\max}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.79)$$

By (3.77), (3.78) and (3.79) and (3.76) and (3.74) and (3.75), we have $\square$.

Lemma 3.11. *Let the assumptions in Lemma 2.1 hold and (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3). Then it holds that*

$$\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq K_{12} \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}), \quad (3.80)$$

where $K_{12} > 0$ is a constant independent of t .

Proof. By (1.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w(\cdot, t) &= e^{t(\Delta-1)} w_0 - \int_0^t e^{(t-s)(\Delta-1)} \nabla \cdot (\chi w \nabla v) ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)(\Delta-1)} w (1 - \theta_2 + v) ds \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\|w(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} \leq \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^3} + \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq c_1 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

$$\|\chi w \nabla v\|_{L^3} \leq \chi \|\nabla v\|_{L^\infty} \|w\|_{L^3} \leq c_1 \quad t \in (0, T_{\max}),$$

and

$$\|w(1 - \theta_2 + v)\|_{L^3} \leq (1 + \theta_2 + \|v\|_{L^\infty})\|w\|_{L^3} \leq c_2 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}).$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|e^{t(\Delta-1)} w_0\|_{L^\infty} + \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)(\Delta-1)} \nabla \cdot (\chi w \nabla v)\|_{L^3} ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)(\Delta-1)} w(1-\theta_2+v)\|_{L^\infty} ds \\
& \leq \|w_0\|_{L^\infty} + \int_0^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-(\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} \|\chi w \nabla v\|_{L^3} ds \\
& \quad + \int_0^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{-(t-s)} \|w(1-\theta_2+v)\|_{L^3} ds \\
& \leq \|w_0\|_{L^\infty} + c_1 \int_0^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{5}{6}}) e^{-(\lambda_1+1)(t-s)} ds \\
& \quad + c_2 \int_0^t (1+(t-s)^{-\frac{1}{3}}) e^{-(t-s)} ds \\
& \leq c_3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}),
\end{aligned}$$

(3.80). n 3.11 $\square$

Proof of Theorem 1.1. $\square_n - \square_n = 2.2 \square_n$ (3.39).

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} \leq c_1 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}).$$

$$\|v(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} \leq c_2.$$

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} + \|v(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,\infty}} + \|w(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty} \leq c_3 \quad t \in (0, T_{max}),$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} \quad 2.1 \quad 1.1. \quad \square$$

4. Global stability

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9) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$ (see [1, 17]).

4.1. Case of prey-only

Let $x(t)$ be the solution of (1) with $x(0) = x_0$ and $y(0) = 0$. Then $x(t) \geq 0$ and $y(t) = 0$ for all $t \geq 0$. (1) becomes

4.3. Case of coexistence

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{E}_3(t) := \mathcal{E}_3(u, v, w) = \mathcal{J}_u(t) + b_1 \mathcal{J}_v(t) + b_1 b_2 \mathcal{J}_w(t), \\ & \mathcal{J}_\ell(t) = \int_{\Omega} \ell - \ell_* - \ell_* \ln \frac{\ell}{\ell_*}, \quad \ell = u, v, w. \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_3(t) := \mathcal{E}_3(u, v, w) = \mathcal{J}_u(t) + b_1 \mathcal{J}_v(t) + b_1 b_2 \mathcal{J}_w(t),$$

$$\mathcal{J}_\ell(t) = \int_{\Omega} \ell - \ell_* - \ell_* \ln \frac{\ell}{\ell_*}, \quad \ell = u, v, w.$$

Lemma 4.3. Let (u, v, w) be the solution of (1.3) obtained in Theorem 1.1. Then if the parameters satisfy $\theta_1 < 1$ and $\theta_1 + b_1 \theta_2 < 1$ as well as

$$4d_1 d_2 u_* v_* > \xi^2 b_1 v_*^2 \|u\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \chi^2 b_2 d_1 u_* w_* \|v\|_{L^\infty}^2. \quad (4.6)$$

Then it holds that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\|u - u_*\|_{L^\infty} + \|v - v_*\|_{L^\infty} + \|w - w_*\|_{L^\infty}) = 0.$$

Proof. B

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_3(u_*, v_*, w_*) = 0 \quad \mathcal{E}_3(u, v, w) > 0 \quad (u, v, w) \neq (u_*, v_*, w_*). \\ 1 - u_* - b_1 v_* = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (4.1) \quad (1.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{J}_u(t) &= \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{u_*}{u}\right) u_t \\ &= -d_1 u_* \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} + (u - u_*)(1 - u - b_1 v) \\ &= -d_1 u_* \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} - (u - u_*)^2 - b_1 (u - u_*)(v - v_*). \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

$$, \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_1 = u_* - b_2 w_*$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_1 \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{J}_v(t) &= b_1 \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{v_*}{v}\right) v_t \\ &= -d_2 b_1 v_* \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v^2} + \xi v_* b_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{\nabla u \cdot \nabla v}{v} + b_1 (v - v_*)(u - b_2 w - \theta_1) \\ &= -d_2 b_1 v_* \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v^2} + \xi v_* b_1 \int_{\Omega} \frac{\nabla u \cdot \nabla v}{v} + b_1 (u - u_*)(v - v_*) \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} (v - v_*)(w - w_*) \\
& v_* = \theta_2 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \quad (1.3), \\
& b_1 b_2 \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{J}_w(t) = b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{w_*}{w}\right) w_t \\
& = -w_* b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{w^2} + w_* b_1 b_2 \chi \int_{\Omega} \frac{\nabla v \cdot \nabla w}{w} + \int_{\Omega} (w - w_*)(v - \theta_2) \\
& = -w_* b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{w^2} + \chi w_* b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} \frac{\nabla v \cdot \nabla w}{w} + b_1 b_2 \int_{\Omega} (v - v_*)(w - w_*).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

By (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_3(t) = - \int_{\Omega} X_2 A_2 X_2^T - \int_{\Omega} (u - u_*)^2, \\
& X_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\nabla u}{u}, \frac{\nabla v}{v}, \frac{\nabla w}{w} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{in } A_2 \\
& A_2 := \begin{pmatrix} d_1 u_* & -\frac{\xi b_1 v_* u}{2} \\ -\frac{\xi b_1 v_* u}{2} & d_2 b_1 v_* \end{pmatrix} \quad 0
\end{aligned} \tag{4.10}$$

By (4.11) and (4.10), we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_3(t) \leq -\alpha_2 \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} + \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v^2} + \frac{|\nabla w|^2}{v^2} \right) - \int_{\Omega} (u - u_*)^2,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_3(t) \leq 0 \quad \text{if } u, v, w \text{ satisfy } u = u_*, \nabla v = 0 \text{ and } \nabla w = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_3(t) = 0.$$

$$v = \tilde{v}_* \quad \text{and} \quad w = \tilde{w}_*,$$

$\tilde{v}$

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