A Cauchy problem for a class of nonlocal and nonlinear equations arising in elasticity

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We will discuss the integro-differential Cauchy problem

$$u_{tt} = (\beta * (u + g(u)))_{xx} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \ t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = \phi(x), \qquad u_t(x, 0) = \psi(x) \qquad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where β is some integrable function whose Fourier transform satisfies a growth condition of the form

$$0 \le \widehat{\beta}\left(\xi\right) \le C\left(1+\xi^2\right)^{-r/2}.$$

For certain choices of the convolution kernel β , the problem reduces to the well investigated Boussinesq type equations.

We prove general local well-posedness as well as global existence and blow-up results depending on β and on the behaviour of the nonlinear term g(u).

The presentation is about the ongoing work, with Nilay Duruk (Sabancı University) and Hüsnü Ata Erbay (Işık University).