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### OPTIMAL DECAY RATES FOR A TIMOSHENKO SYSTEM IN BOUNDED DOMAIN

#### Abstract

We consider a bar of length  $L$ . Denoting by  $\phi(x, t)$  the vertical displacement of the equilibrium state and  $\psi(x, t)$  the rotation angle of a transversal section, the Timoshenko system we will study is given by the equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_1 \phi_{tt} - \kappa_1 (\phi_{xx} + \psi_x) &= 0, \\ \rho_2 \psi_{tt} - \kappa_2 \psi_{xx} + \kappa_1 (\phi_x + \psi) - \kappa_0 \psi_{txx} &= 0.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

The initial data are

$$\phi(x, 0) = \phi_0(x), \quad \phi_t(x, 0) = \phi_1(x), \quad \psi(x, 0) = \psi_0(x), \quad \psi_t(x, 0) = \psi_1(x),\tag{2}$$

for  $x \in ]0, L[$ , and we consider the following boundary conditions:

$$\phi(0, t) = 0, \quad \phi(L, t) = 0, \quad \psi_x(0, t) = 0, \quad \psi_x(L, t) = 0.$$

The main goal of this work is to find optima decay rates for the solutions of the system (1)-(2).

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