

Extinction of solution of semilinear parabolic equations with degenerate absorption potential

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The poster is devoted to the behavior of energy (generalized) solutions for a wide class of semilinear parabolic equations. We investigate a model Cauchy-Neumann problem for parabolic equations of non-stationary diffusion-semilinear absorption with a degenerate absorption potential. More precisely, the following problem is considered:

$$(|u|^{q-1}u)_t - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(|\nabla_x u|^{q-1} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \right) + a_0(x)|u|^{\lambda-1}u = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \times (0, T), \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \Big|_{\partial\Omega \times [0, T]} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad x \in \Omega. \quad (3)$$

Here $q > 1$, $0 < \lambda < 1$, and $a_0(x) \geq 0$ is an arbitrary continuous function. The initial function $u_0(x)$ is from $L_2(\Omega)$, where $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N (N \geq 1)$ is a bounded domain with C^1 - boundary. The origin belongs to Ω ($0 \in \Omega$).

The main focus of our study is the long-time extinction property for solutions to the initial-boundary problem (1), (2), (3). We obtain a sharp condition on the degeneration of the potential $a_0(x)$ that guarantees the long-time extinction.

Let $a_0(x)$ be a potential satisfying the inequality

$$a_0(x) \geq c_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\omega(|x|)}{|x|^{q+1}}\right), \quad x \in \Omega \setminus \{0\},$$

where $c_0 > 0$ is a constant, and $\omega(\cdot)$ is an arbitrary function such that

(A) $\omega(\tau) > 0 \quad \forall \tau > 0$, (B) $\omega(0) = 0$, (C) $\omega(\tau) \rightarrow 0$ as $\tau \rightarrow 0$ monotone.

Theorem. Let $u_0(x) \in L_2(\Omega)$. Let $\omega(\cdot)$ be a continuous nondecreasing function that satisfies assumptions (A), (B), (C) and the following main condition:

$$\int_0^c \frac{\omega(\tau)}{\tau} d\tau < \infty.$$

Suppose also that $\omega(\cdot)$ satisfies the technical condition

$$\frac{\tau \omega'(\tau)}{\omega(\tau)} \leq 1 - \delta \quad \forall \tau \in (0, \tau_0), \quad \tau_0 > 0, \quad 0 < \delta < 1.$$

Then an arbitrary energy solution $u(x, t)$ of problem (1), (2), (3) vanishes on Ω in a finite time $T < \infty$.

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