

SOURCE-TYPE SOLUTIONS TO POROUS MEDIUM EQUATIONS WITH CONVECTION II

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ABSTRACT. Existence and uniqueness of nonnegative source-type solutions to porous medium equations with convection are investigated in one space dimension. We consider the case when both diffusion and convection nonlinearities are pure powers, namely, r^m , $m > 1$, and r^q , $q \in (1, m)$, respectively. Results on the behavior of the source-type solution for small times and estimates of its support are also provided.

1. Introduction. We investigate existence and uniqueness of nonnegative source-type solutions to degenerate convection-diffusion equations in one space dimension. More precisely, we consider the following problem:

$$(1.1) \quad u_t + (u^q)_x - (u^m)_{xx} = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbf{R} \times (0, +\infty),$$

with initial data

$$(1.2) \quad u(0) = M\delta,$$

where M is a positive real number, δ denotes the Dirac mass at $x = 0$, and q and m are nonnegative real numbers satisfying

$$(1.3) \quad m > 1, \quad q \in (1, m).$$

This paper is a continuation of [10], where existence and uniqueness of the nonnegative source-type solution to (1.1)–(1.2) are proved for $m > 1$ and $q \geq m$, while the case $m = 1$ and $q > 1$ is completely solved in [3]. These investigations were motivated by the study of the long-time behavior of the solutions to (1.1) with nonnegative and integrable initial data u_0 satisfying $|u_0|_{L^1} = M$. Indeed, when $q = m + 1$, the long-time profile of these solutions is described by the source-type solution

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