GLOBAL SOLUTIONS AND THEIR ASYMPTOTIC BEHAVIOR FOR BENJAMIN-ONO-BURGERS TYPE EQUATIONS

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1. Introduction. This paper studies an initial-value problem for the generalized Benjamin-Ono-Burgers equation (BOB)

$$u_t + P(u)_x - \nu u_{xx} - \mathbb{H}(u_{xx}) = 0, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, \ t > 0, \tag{1.1}$$

$$u(x,0) = f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \tag{1.2}$$

where $P(u) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a given C^{∞} function satisfying certain growth conditions to be specified below, and \mathbb{H} is the Hilbert transform defined by the principal-value integral

$$\mathbb{H}u(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} PV \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{u(y)}{x - y} \, dy. \tag{1.3}$$

In equation (1.1), subscripts denote partial differentiation, u(x, t) is a realvalued function, and ν is a positive number. Using PDE techniques, the following results are obtained about the solution and its long time asymptotic behavior of the above initial value problem:

1. Let P(u) satisfy either of the following two restrictions,

$$\limsup_{u \to +\infty} \frac{|P'(u)|}{|u|^2} \le C,\tag{1.4}$$

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