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ON SOME ESTIMATIONS OF SOLUTIONS FOR DEGENERATE ELLIPTIC-PARABOLIC EQUATIONS

Abstract

We prove some a priori estimates of solutions for degenerate elliptic-parabolic equations.

1. Introduction

Let Ω is a bounded open set in R^n and $Q_T = \Omega \times (0, T), T > 0$. We consider following initial boundary value problems

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(a_{ij}(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} \right) - \Psi(x,t) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} - c(t,x)u = 0, \quad (t,x) \in Q_T \tag{1}$$

$$u(t,x) = f(t,x), \quad (t,x) \in \Gamma = (0,T) \times \partial\Omega \tag{2}$$

$$u(0,x) = h(x), \quad x \in \Omega. \tag{3}$$

Problems of the form (1)-(3) arise as mathematical models of various applied problems, for instance reaction-drift-diffusion processes of electrically charged species phase transition processes and transport processes in porous media. Investigations of boundary value problems for second order degenerate elliptic-parabolic equations ascend to the work by Keldysh [1], where correct statements for boundary value problems were considered for the case of one space variable as well as existence and uniqueness of solutions. In the work by Fichera [2] boundary value problems were given for multidimensional case. He proved existence of generalized solutions to these boundary value problems.

The equation (1) is degenerate because the function $\Psi(x,t)$ and coefficient $a_{ij}(x,t)$ can tend to zero. Initial boundary problems for degenerate parabolic equations have been studied by many authors (see for example [3], [4], [5], [6]). But the structure of the equation (1) is different from that one considered in these papers. Boundary value problems for the degenerate equation also were studied in the stationary case in [7] and in the nonstationary case in [8].

We consider problem (1)-(3) under standard conditions for the functions $a_{ij}(x,t)$ and some conditions for the function $a(t,x)$.

We formulate on assumptions in section 2. First a priori estimations for solutions you are given in Section 3. We assume following regularity condition on the boundary $\partial\Omega$ of the set Ω . There exist positive numbers χ, R_0 , such that for an arbitrary point $x \in \partial\Omega$ the inequality meas $\{B(x,R) \setminus \Omega\} \geq \chi R^n$ holds, where $0 < R \leq R_0$ and $B(x,R)$ is a ball of radius R with center x .

Let the coefficients from (1)-(3) satisfy following assumptions. $\|a_{ij}(x,t)\|$ a real symmetrical matrix and for any $(x,t) \in Q_T$ and $\xi \in R^n$ the following inequality are true

$$\gamma\omega(x) |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) \xi_i \xi_j \leq \gamma^{-1}\omega(x) |\xi|^2, \tag{4}$$

where $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ $a_{ij}(x, t)$, $c(x, t)$ $b_i(x, t)$, $i, j = \overline{1, n}$ are measurable functions with respect to t, x for every $(t, x) \in Q_T$. Also

$$c(x, t) \leq 0, \quad c(x, t) \in L_{n+1}(Q_T) \quad (5)$$

$$|b(x, t)| \in L_{n+2}(Q_T), \quad |b(x, t)|^2 + Kc(x, t) \leq 0. \quad (6)$$

Assume that the following conditions are true for the weighted functions

$$\Psi(x, t) = \omega(x) \lambda(t) \varphi(T - t),$$

where $\omega(x) \in A_p$ satisfy Makeuhoupt condition (see [9]) $\lambda(t) \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(t) \in C^1[0, T], \quad \varphi(z) \geq 0, \quad \varphi'(z) \geq 0, \quad \varphi(z) \in C^1[0, T], \\ \varphi(0) = \varphi'(0) = 0, \quad \varphi(z) \geq \beta z \varphi'(z) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where β —positive constants.

We consider problem (1)-(3) which data such that

$$f(t, x) \in L^\infty(Q_T) \cap L^\infty(0, T, W_\infty^1(\Omega)) \cap L_1(0, T, W_\infty^1(\Omega))$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \in L_1(0, T, L_\infty(\Omega)) \quad (8)$$

$$h(x) \in L_\infty(\Omega). \quad (9)$$

We introduce some space of functions in Q_T with finite norm

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{W_{2,\omega}^1(Q_T)} &= \left(\int_{Q_T} \omega(x) \left(u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 \right) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \|u\|_{W_2^2(Q_T)} &= \left(\int_{Q_T} \left(u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i x_j}^2 \right) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \|u\|_{W_2^{2,1}(Q_T)} &= \|u\|_{W_2^2(Q_T)} + \|u_t\|_{h_2(Q_T)} \\ \|u\|_{W_{2,\Psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)} &= \left(\left(\int_{Q_T} \omega(x) \left(u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 + \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{x_i x_j}^2 \right) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + u_t^2 + \Psi^2(x, t) u_{tt}^2 + \Psi(x, t) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{it}^2 \right) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \|u\|_{W_{2,\Psi}^{1,1}(Q)} &= \left(\left(\int_{Q_T} \omega(x) \left(u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 \right) + u_t^2 + \Psi^2(x, t) u_{tt}^2 \right) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$W_{2,\Psi}^{1,1}(Q_T)$ -subspace of space $W_{2,\Psi}^{1,1}(Q_T)$ is closure all functions from $C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T)$, vanising to zero on $\Gamma(Q_T)$.

A function $u \in L^2(0, T, W_{2, \Psi}^{1,1}(\Omega))$ is called solution of problem (1)-(3) the integral identities

$$\int_0^T \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \varphi dx dt + \int_{\Omega} \left[\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x,t) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \right) \varphi + c(x,t) u \varphi \right] dx \right) dt + \int_0^T \int_{\Omega} \Psi^2(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx dt = 0 \quad (10)$$

hold for arbitrary functions $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T)$ vanishing near Γ and almost every

$$\tau \in (0, \tau) u - f(t, x) \in \left(L_2(0, \tau, \overset{0}{W}_{2, \omega}^1(\Omega)) \right).$$

Remark 1. Let u be a solution of problem (1)-(3). Since the set of functions from $C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T)$ vanishing near Γ is dense in $L^2(0, T, \overset{0}{W}_{2, \Psi}^{1,1}(\Omega))$, the integral identity (10) holds for all $\varphi \in L_2(0, \tau, \overset{0}{W}_{2, \Psi}^{1,1}(\Omega))$ such that

$$\int_{Q_T} \left(\omega(x) \left| \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt + \int_{Q_T} \Psi(x,t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 dx dt \right) < \infty.$$

Besides of (1) use consider the regularized equation, where instead $\omega(x) = \omega_\varepsilon(x)$, $\Psi(x, t) = \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t)$,

$$\omega_\varepsilon(x, t) = \max \left\{ \omega(x), \omega \left(-\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \right\}$$

for

$$\varepsilon \in (0, 1], \omega_0(x) = \omega(x) \quad (11)$$

$\Psi_\varepsilon(x, t)$ is defined so: for any fixed $\varepsilon \in (0, \tau)$

$$\Psi_\varepsilon(z) = \Psi(\varepsilon) - \frac{\Psi'(\varepsilon)\varepsilon}{m} + \frac{\Psi'(\varepsilon)}{m\varepsilon^{m-1}} z^m$$

at $z \in (0, \varepsilon)$, $\Psi_\varepsilon(z) = \Psi(z)$ at

$$z \in [\varepsilon, \tau], m = \frac{2}{\beta}. \quad (12)$$

Everywhere further we consider the case when $\Psi(z) > 0$ at $z > 0$. If $\Psi(z) \equiv 0$ then the equation (1)-parabolic.

We understand solution of the auxiliary problem (1)-(3) with weight $\omega_\varepsilon(x)$, $\Psi_\varepsilon(x, t)$ in the sence of definition solution after replacing $\omega(x)$ and $\Psi(x, t)$ by $\omega_\varepsilon(x)$, $\Psi_\varepsilon(x, t)$.

In what follows we understand as known parameters all numbers from the conditions, norm of functions $f, \varphi(x)$ in respective spaces and numbers that depend only on $n, \chi, R_0, \Omega, \omega(x'), \Psi(x, t)$.

Theorem1. *Let the conditions (4)-(9) be satisfied. Then there exists a constant M_1 depending only on known parameters and independent of $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ such that each solution u of problem (1)-(3) with weight $\omega_\varepsilon(x), \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t)$ satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in (0, T) \Omega} \int \{ \Lambda_1(u(t, x)) + \Lambda_2(u(t, x)) \} dx + \int \omega_\varepsilon(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt + \\ & + \int \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 dx dt \leq M_1 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where

$$\Lambda_1(u) = \int_0^u s \omega(s) ds, \quad \Lambda_2(u) = \int_0^u s \Psi(s) ds. \quad (14)$$

Proof of Theorem1. Let $u(t, x)$ be the solution regularized problem (1)-(3). We extend function $u(t, x)$ by setting $u(t, x) = \varphi(x)$ for $t < 0, x \in \Omega$. Denote

$$\tilde{u}(t, x) = u(t, x) - f(t, x).$$

Testing (10) with $\varphi(x) = \tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)$, we obtain for $\tau \in (0, T), s \in (0, T - \tau)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-s\Omega}^{\tau} \int \left\{ \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial t} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] + \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial x_j} \right. \\ & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] + \\ & \left. + [c(t, x) \tilde{u}|t+s^x| - \tilde{u}(t, x)] \right\} dx dt + \\ & + \int_{-s\Omega}^{\tau} \int \Psi(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] dx dt = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get by simple calculation

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\tau}^{\tau+s} \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] dx dt + \int_{\tau}^{\tau+s} \int a_{ij}(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt - \\ & - s \int_{\Omega} a_{ij}(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt \int_{-s\Omega}^{\tau} \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [u(t+s, x) - u(t, x)] dx \Big) dt + \\ & + \int_{-s\Omega}^{\tau} \int c(t, x) [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(t, x)] dx dt + \\ & + \int_{-s\Omega}^{\tau} \int \Psi(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\tilde{u}(t+s, x) - \tilde{u}(x, t)] dx dt = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where denote by $v_0(x)$ the solution of problem (1)-(3) for $t = 0$ with $u(0, x)$ defined by (3).

Dividing this equality by s and passing to the limit $s \rightarrow 0$, we obtain for almost every $\tau \in (0, T)$ and doing some calculations

$$\int_{\Omega} a_{ij}(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 - \int_{\Omega} a_{ij}(x) \left| \frac{\partial v_0(x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x, t) \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x_i} dx dt \leq \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} c(t, x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt \quad (15)$$

Using (10) we can write in (15)

$$\int_{\Omega} \omega_{\varepsilon}(x) \left| \frac{\partial u(\tau, x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx + \int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} u(t, x) dt + \int \Psi_{\varepsilon}(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u(\tau, x)}{\partial t} \right|^2 dx \leq \leq C_1 \left\{ 1 + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt \right\}. \quad (16)$$

Here and in what follows C_i denote constants depending only on known parameters. The conditions (8), (9) and Remark 1 allow us to substitute $\varphi = \tilde{u}$ in the regularized identity (10).

By (16) this gives

$$\int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (u(x, t) - f(x, t)) dt + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}(t, x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} + c(x, t) \tilde{u} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \tilde{u} \right\} dx dt \leq \leq \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} - c(x, t) u \right\} + c_1 \left\{ 1 + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 \right\} dx dt. \quad (17)$$

We write the first integral from (17) in the form

$$\int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (u - f(x, t)) dx = \int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (|u|_{-m}^m - f(x, t)) dt + \int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (u - |u|_{-m}^m) dt \quad (18)$$

with $m \geq \|f(x, t)\|_{L_{\infty}(Q_T)}$, $|u|_{-m}^m = \max\{\min[u, m], -m\}$.

Then we can evaluate the first and the second integral of the right hand side of (18) by using Lemmas 2,1 respectively [9]. So we obtain

$$\int_0^{\tau} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} (u - f(x, t)) dt = \int_0^{\tau} \left\{ \int_0^{u(x, \tau)} s \omega(s) ds - \int_0^{h(x)} s \omega(s) ds \right\} dx + \int_0^{\tau} \left\{ \int_0^{u(x, \tau)} s \Psi(s) ds - \int_0^{h(x)} s \Psi(s) ds \right\} dx + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} |u - h(x)| \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dx dt - \int_{\Omega} [u(\tau, x) - h(x)] f(\tau, x) dx. \quad (19)$$

Immediately from the definition of $\Lambda_1(u)$, $\Lambda_2(u)$. We deduce

$$u < \varepsilon_1 (\Lambda_1(u) + \Lambda_2(u)) + c_{\varepsilon_1} \quad (20)$$

for $u \geq 0$ with arbitrary positive number ε and a constant c_ε depending only on ε_1 and the functions $\omega(x), \Psi(x, t)$. Using the condition (4)-(6), (8)-(9) and the conditions on $\omega(x), \Psi(x, t)$ and the inequality (20), we obtain with arbitrary positive number ε_1 and some function $\mu(t) \in L_1(0, T)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \omega_\delta(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 \frac{\partial f(x, t)}{\partial x_j} dx dt \right| + \left| \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \right| dx dt \right| \leq \\ & \leq \varepsilon_1 \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \omega_\delta(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt + \varepsilon_1 \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 dx dt + \\ & \quad + \frac{c_2}{\varepsilon_1} \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega (\Lambda_1(u) + \Lambda_2(u)) \mu(t) dx dt \quad (21) \\ & \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega u \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dx dt \leq c_2 \left\{ 1 + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega (\Lambda_1(u) + \Lambda_2(u)) \mu(t) dx dt \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\int u(\tau, x) f(\tau, x) dx \leq c_2 \{ \varepsilon_1 \int (\Lambda_1(u(\tau, x)) + \Lambda_2(u(\tau, x))) dx + c_{\varepsilon_1} \}.$$

We estimate terms in (17) involving the function α in standard way by using (4)-(6), (8)-(9). Now from (17), (19), (21) and evident estimates for another terms in (19), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_\Omega (\Lambda_1(u(\tau, x)) + \Lambda_2(u(\tau, x))) dx + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega \left[\omega_\delta(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dx dt \leq \\ & \leq c_3 \left\{ 1 + \int_0^\tau \int_\Omega [1 + \mu(t)] [\Lambda_1(u) + \Lambda_2(u)] dx dt \right\} \quad (22) \end{aligned}$$

Now the last inequality and Gronwall's lemma complete the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. *Let the assumptions of Theorem 1 be satisfied. Then there exists a constant M_2 , depending only on known parameters and independent of $\varepsilon \in [0, 1]$, such that each solution of regularized problem (1)-(3) satisfies*

$$\int_{Q_T} \left[\omega_\varepsilon(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dx dt \leq M_2. \quad (23)$$

In order to prove Theorem 2 we need auxiliary estimates.

Lemma 1. *Assume that the conditions of Theorem 1 are satisfied and following inequality*

$$\operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in (0, \tau)} \int_\Omega u^q(t, x) dx \leq K_1 \quad (24)$$

is fulfilled with some numbers $q \in \left(\frac{2n}{n+2}, \frac{n}{2} \right)$, K_1 depending only on known parameters. Then the estimate

$$\operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in (0, \tau)} \left\{ \int_\Omega |u(t, x)|^{\frac{pn}{n-2}} dx + \int_\Omega |u(t, x)|^{p-2} \left| \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx \right\} \leq K_2 \quad (25)$$

holds with a number $p > 2$ defined by the equality

$$\rho \frac{n}{n-2} = (p-1) \frac{q}{q-1} \quad (26)$$

and with a constant K_2 depending only on known parameters.

Proof. Denote

$$m_0 = \|f(x, t)\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} + \|h(x)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} + 1 \tag{27}$$

and use following notations for $K \in R^1$ and arbitrary function β defined on Q_T

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_k(t, x) &= [\beta(t, x)]_k = \min\{\beta(t, x), k\}, \\ \beta_+(t, x) &= [\beta(t, x)]_+ = \max\{\beta(t, x), 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

We test the integral identity (10) with $\varphi(x, t) = \text{signu}[|u|_k - m_0]^{p-1}$ with $k > m_0$. Using the condition (4)-(6), (8)-(9) and Holder inequality we obtain

$$\int_{\Omega} [|u|_k - m_0]_+^{p-2} \left| \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx \leq C_4 \left\{ \int_{\Omega} [|u| - m_0]_+^{(p-1)\frac{q}{q-1}} dx \right\}^{\frac{q-1}{q}}. \tag{28}$$

From this inequality and the embedding theorem we have

$$\left\{ \int_{\Omega} [|u|_k - m_0]_+^{\frac{pn}{n-2}} dx \right\}^{\frac{n-2}{n}} \leq C_5 \left\{ \int_{\Omega} [|v|_k - m_0]_+^{(p-1)\frac{q}{q-1}} dx \right\}^{\frac{q-1}{q}}. \tag{29}$$

Taking into account the restriction on q and the choice of p we deduce (25) from (28), (29), (13) and the proof is completed.

Proof of Theorem 2. We assume firstly that $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} \frac{\ln}{2}$. It is simple to check [8] imply

$$|u| \leq C_0 \text{ for } u < 0. \tag{30}$$

For proving regularity properties of the function u we need following growth condition

$$\rho_1^{-1}(u^\gamma + 1) \leq u \leq \rho_1(u^\gamma + 1), \quad u > 0, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < \frac{2}{n-2} \tag{31}$$

with some positive constants ρ_1 . (31) implies $u \leq \rho_1 \left(\frac{u^{\gamma+1}}{\gamma+1} + u \right)$ for $u > 0$ with $\gamma + 1 < \frac{n}{n-2}$. Remark that such type condition arized in [5] for $n > 2$ together with the stronger restriction $\gamma + 1 < \frac{2}{n-2}$.

From (30) and (31) we find

$$|u|^{q_0} \leq C_7 [\Lambda_1(u) + \Lambda_2(u) + 1]$$

with

$$q_0 = \frac{2 + \gamma}{1 + \gamma}. \tag{32}$$

Using (32), (13) and Lemma 1, we obtain (25) with ρ_0 defined by the equality

$$\rho_0 \frac{n}{n-2} = (\rho_0 - 1)(2 + \gamma).$$

This ρ_0 satisfies the inequality $\rho_0 - 2 > \frac{n}{n-2} > \gamma$.

Consequently, (25), (31) imply

$$\iint_{\{|u| < 2|u|\}} \left[\omega_\varepsilon(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon(x) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq C_8. \tag{33}$$

Here $\{|u| \leq 2|u|\} = \{(t, x) \in Q_T : |u(t, x)| \leq 2|u(t, x)|\}$ and analogous notations we shall use further.

We want to establish a estimate analogous to (33) with respect to set $|u| > 2u$. Taking into account that $\omega_\varepsilon(u) \leq 1 + \omega(0)$ for $u < 0$, we can restrict ourselves to the set $\{|u| > 2u\}$. We substitute the test function

$$\varphi = \left\{ [u - |u|_+]_k + |u|_k + m_0 \right\} \text{sign} u$$

with $k > m_0$, $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ in (10). After standard calculations we obtain

$$I_1 \equiv \iint_{\{|u| < k\}} \left\{ [u - |u|_+]_k + |u|_k + m_0 \right\}^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \leq C_9 (I_2 + I_3) \quad (34)$$

where

$$I_2 = \iint_{\{|u|_k < u\}} (|u|_k + m_0) \left\{ [u - |u|_k]_k + |u|_k + m_0 \right\}^{\bar{\gamma}-1} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right| \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right| dxdt$$

$$I_3 = \iint_{Q_T} \left\{ (u_+ + 1)^{\gamma-1} \right\} (|u|_k + 1) \left\{ |u_+|_{2k} + |u|_k + 1 \right\}^{\bar{\gamma}} dxdt.$$

The integral I_2 will be estimated is different ways for $\bar{\gamma} \leq 1$ and for $\bar{\gamma} > 1$. For $\bar{\gamma} \leq 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &\leq \iint_{\{|u|_k < u\}} \left\{ (u + m_0)^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right\} dxdt \leq \\ &\leq 3 \iint_{\{u > 0\}} \left\{ (u + m_0)^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + (|u| + m_0)^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 \right\} dxdt \leq c_{10}. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Here we used (25) and the inequality

$$\text{ess sup}_{t \in (0, T)} \int_{\Omega} u_+^{2+\gamma}(t, x) dx + \iint_{\{u > 0\}} (1 + u)^\gamma \left[\left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq c_{11} \quad (36)$$

that follows from (13), (31).

For $\bar{\gamma} > 1$ we estimate I_2 by using the evident inequality

$$\left[[[u - |u|_+]_+]_k \right] + |u|_k + m_0 \leq 2|u|_k + m_0$$

on the set $\{|u| \geq k\}$. Then we have

$$I_2 \leq \varepsilon_1 I_1 + C_{12} \iint_{\{u > 0\}} \left\{ (u + m_0)^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1^{q-1}} (|u| + m_0)^q \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right\} dxdt \quad (37)$$

where the last integral can be estimated analogously to (35).

Using Holdrs inequality and the embedding theorem we obtain for $\delta \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Q_T} |[u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)|^{(2+\gamma)\frac{2}{n}+2+\delta} dxdt &\leq \int_0^T \left\{ \int_{\Omega} |[u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)|^{2+\gamma} dx \right\}^{\frac{2}{n}} \cdot \\ &\cdot \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \left(|[u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)|^{1+\frac{\delta}{2}} \right)^{\frac{2n}{n-2}} dx \right\}^{\frac{n-2}{n}} dt \leq \\ &\leq c_{13} \left\{ \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in (0, T)} \int_{\Omega} |[u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)|^{2+\gamma} dx \right\}^{\frac{2}{n}} \cdot \\ &\cdot \int_{Q_T} |[u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)|^{\delta} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} ([u_+]_k - f_+(x, t)) \right|^2 dxdt. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Choosing $\delta = 0$, the inequalities (13), (34) and condition (8) imply

$$\int_{Q_T} u_+^{(2+\gamma)\frac{2}{n}+2} dxdt \leq C_{14} \quad (39)$$

We estimate I_3 by Young's inequality and condition (8), obtain

$$I_3 \leq C_{15} \left\{ 1 + \int_{Q_T} u_+^{\gamma+\bar{\gamma}+2} dxdt + \int_{Q_T} |u|^{\gamma+\bar{\gamma}+2} dxdt \right\}. \quad (40)$$

The integral with u can be estimated by a constant in virtue of the inequality (25) in the case that $\bar{\gamma} \in [0, \gamma]$. If γ is such that

$$2\gamma + 2 \leq (2 + \gamma) \frac{2}{n} + 2,$$

the integral with u_+ and $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma$ in (40) can be also estimated by a constant because of the inequality (39). In the opposite case we choose $\bar{\gamma}$ satisfying the condition

$$\gamma + \bar{\gamma} + 2 \leq (2 + \gamma) \cdot \frac{2}{n} + 2.$$

For example we can take $\bar{\gamma} = \bar{\gamma}_1 = \frac{2}{n}$. For such choise of $\bar{\gamma}$ we get from (34), (36), (37), (40) $I_1 \leq C_{10}$, which implies

$$\int_{|u|>\{u\}} \left(u - |u|^{\bar{\gamma}} \right) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \leq C_{17}$$

and consequently

$$\int_{|u|>2\{u\}} [u(t, x)]^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \leq C_{18}. \quad (41)$$

From (13), (33), (41) we obtain

$$\int_{Q_T} |u|^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \leq C_{19}, \quad \int_{Q_T} |u|^{\bar{\gamma}} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 dxdt \leq C_{19} \quad (42)$$

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and this ends the proof of Theorem 2 in the case $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} < \frac{n}{2}$, $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma$.

If $\bar{\gamma} = \bar{\gamma}_1 < \gamma$, we can iterate our discussions with respect to $\bar{\gamma}$. Using (42) we obtain from (38)

$$\int_{Q_T} u_+^{(2+\gamma)\frac{n}{2}+2+\bar{\gamma}_1} dxdt \leq C_{20},$$

that allows us to choose $\bar{\gamma}_2 = \min\{\gamma, \frac{1}{n}\}$. Repeating this argument, if necessary, we can chose $\bar{\gamma}_3 = \gamma$ and we proved the Theorem if $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} < \frac{n}{2}$.

If $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} = \frac{n}{2}$ we can use Lemma 1 with $q^1 < q$ instead of q . We can choose such q^1 that the corresponding p^1 satisfies $p^1 - 2 > \gamma$ and then we keep all discussions of the previous proof. If $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} > \frac{n}{2}$, then the boundedness of solutions of the equation (1) and the assumption formulated above is will known [5]. Theorem 2 is proved.

Lemma 2. Assume that the conditions of Theorems are satisfied and

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in (0, T)} \int_{\Omega} u_+^q(t, x) dx + \int \int_{\{u > 1\}} \left[\omega_\varepsilon^2(x) u^{q-2} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \Psi_\varepsilon^2(x, t) u^{q-2}(x, t) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq K_3 \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

holds with numbers $q \in \left[\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}, \frac{n}{2} \right]$, K_3 depending only on known parameters. Then there exist positive constants

$$\int_{\{u > 1\}} \left[\omega_\varepsilon^2(x) u^{q-2+\beta} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon^2(x, t) u^{q-2+\beta} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq K_4. \quad (44)$$

Proof. By Theorem 2 follows that (43) holds for $q = q_0 = \frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}$. We shall prove (44) for this value of q . The proof of the lemma for $\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} < q < \frac{n}{2}$ is the same as for $q = \frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}$. From Lemma 1 with $q = \frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}$ we obtain analogously to (33)

$$\int_{\{|u| < 2|u|\}} \left[\omega_\varepsilon^2(x) u^{q_0-2+\beta_1} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon^2(x, t) u^{q_0-2+\beta_1} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq C_{21}, \quad (45)$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{2 - (n-2)\gamma}{(1+\gamma)(n-2)}.$$

For the proof of (44) it is sufficient to check that the integral I_1 in (34) can be estimated by a constant for $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma + (1+\gamma)\beta_2$ with positive β_2 depending only on γ, u . This estimation of I_1 runs analogously to the corresponding estimation in the proof of Theorem 2. Hence we make only some remarks.

We change the inequality (35) for $\bar{\gamma} \leq 1$, $\bar{\gamma} \leq \gamma + \frac{1}{2}(\rho_0 - 2 - \gamma)$, $\rho_0 = \frac{q_0(n-2)}{n-2q_0} > 2 + \frac{2}{n-2}$, in the following way

$$I_2 \leq 3 \int_{\{u > 0\}} \left\{ (u + m_0)^\gamma \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + (|u| + m_0)^{\rho_0-2} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 \right\} dxdt \leq C_{22} \quad (46)$$

after using Theorem 2 and Lemma 1. Analogously we change (37) for $\bar{\gamma} > 1$. In order to estimate I_3 we remark that (38) and Theorem 2 imply

$$\int_{Q_T} u_+^{(2+\gamma)(1+\frac{2}{n})} dxdt \leq c_{2319}. \tag{47}$$

From (40), (47), (25) we see that the integral I_3 can be estimated by a constant, provided

$$\gamma + \bar{\gamma} + 2 \leq (2 + \gamma) \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right), \quad \gamma + \bar{\gamma} + 2 \leq \frac{\rho_0 n}{n - 2}.$$

But both of these restrictions can be satisfied with $\bar{\gamma} = \gamma + (1 + \gamma) \beta_3$ and some positive β_3 depending only on n, γ . Therefore we can chose positive β_2 such that the integral I_1 with $\gamma = \bar{\gamma} + 1 + (1 + \gamma) \beta_2$ is estimated by a constant depending only on known parameters. From this estimate and (45) we obtain the inequality (44).

Lemma 3. *Assume that the conditions of Theorem 2 are satisfied. Then there exist numbers \bar{q}, K_3 depending only on known parameters, such that $\bar{q} > \frac{n}{2}$ and*

$$ess \sup_{t \in (0, T)} \int_{\Omega} u_+^{\bar{q}}(t, x) dx + \int \int_{\{u > 1\}} \left[\omega_\varepsilon^2(x) u^{\bar{q}-2} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \Psi_\varepsilon^2(x, t) u^{\bar{q}-2} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq K_3. \tag{48}$$

Proof. We substitute the function

$$\varphi + [u_k - m_0]_+^2 \left\{ 1 + [u_k - m_0]^3 \right\}^r, \quad r \in \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \infty \right)_{19} \tag{49}$$

in the integral identity (10). Then using Lemma1 from [5], we can evaluate the first summand of (49) to obtain

$$\int_0^\tau \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \varphi dt = \int_{\Omega} \Lambda^{(\tau)}(u(\tau, x)) dx \tag{50}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^{(\tau)}(u) &= \int_0^u (\omega(s) + \Psi(s, x)) \left([S_k - m_0]_+^2 \right) \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + [S_k - m_0]^3 r \right\} ds \geq \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3(r+1)} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + [u_k - m_0]^3 \right\}^{r+1} \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

for $u > m_0$. Here $S_k = \min[s, k]$ and the value of u is analogous. We write the derivative of φ in the form

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} = \left[\overset{\sim}{\Phi}^{(r)}(u_k) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \right] \chi(m_0 < u < k) \tag{52}$$

where $\chi(m_0 < u < k)$ is the characteristic function of the set $\{m_0 < u < k\}$ and the function $\overset{\sim}{\Phi}^{(r)}(u)$ satisfies for $r > -\frac{2}{3}$ the estimate

$$c_{24} k(r) \overset{\sim}{\Phi}^{(r)}(u) \omega(x) \leq \overset{\sim}{\Phi}^{(r)}(u) \leq c_{25} (r+1) \overset{\sim}{\Phi}^{(r)}(u) \omega(x) \tag{53}$$

with $k(r) = \min(1, 2 + 3r)$,

$$\Phi^{(r)}(u) = [u - m_0]_+ \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + [u - m_0]^3 \right\}^r. \tag{54}$$

Using (50)-(53) and conditions (4)-(6), (8) we obtain from (10) with the function φ defined by (49)

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + [u_k(\tau, x) - m_0]_+^3 \right\}^{r+1} dx + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \omega_{\varepsilon}^2(x) \Phi^{(r)}(u_k) \chi(m_0 < u < k) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 dx dt + \\ & + \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \Psi_{\varepsilon}^2(x, t) \Phi^{(r)}(u_k) \chi(m_0 < u < k) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|^2 dx dt + \\ & + \frac{r+1}{k(r)} \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} (1 + |u|) [u_k - m_0] \Phi^{(r)}(u_k) dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

Let us assume now that for some $q \in \left[\frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}, \frac{n}{2} \right]$ the inequality (43) is fulfilled. Then we obtain from Lemma2 that the first integral of the right hand side of (55) can be estimated by a constant independent on k for $r = \frac{1}{2} [q - 3 + \beta]$. We shall check now that the second integral of the right hand site of (55) for $r = \frac{1}{3} [q - 3 + \beta']$ and some positive β' depending only on γ can be also estimated by a constant independent on k . Analogously to inequalities (38), (39) we obtain from (43)

$$\int_{Q_T} u_+^{q(1+\gamma)(1+\frac{2}{n})} dx dt \leq C_{27}. \tag{56}$$

From (43) and Lemma 1 we have

$$ess \sup_{t \in (0, \tau)} \int_{\Omega} |u(t, x)|^{\frac{qn}{n-2q}} dx \leq C_{28} \tag{57}$$

(56), (57) imply the needed estimate for the last integral in (55) provided

$$\beta' \leq \frac{1}{1+\gamma} \left\{ q(1+\gamma) \left(1 + \frac{2}{n} \right) + \gamma \right\} - q, \quad \beta' \leq \frac{1}{1+\gamma} \left\{ \frac{qn}{n-2q} + \gamma \right\} - q.$$

For that purpose it is sufficient to chose $\beta' = \frac{\gamma}{1+\gamma}$. We proved that for $\bar{\beta} = \min(\beta, \beta')$ the left hand side of (55) is estimated by constant depending only on known parameters if $r = \frac{1}{3} (q - 3 + \bar{\beta})$. This estimate implies that the inequality (43) is fulfilled with $q + \bar{\beta}$ instead of q . We can guarantee also by small change of $\bar{\beta}$ that the number $\frac{1}{\bar{\beta}} \left[\frac{n}{2} - \frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma} \right]$ is not integer, and denote by N its integer part. Recalling that the estimate (43) is fulfilled with $q = q_0 = \frac{2+\gamma}{1+\gamma}$ and choosing the sequence $q_i = q_0 + i\bar{\beta}$. We obtain after $N + 1$ iterations our previous discussiong that the inequality (43) is fulfilled with $q = q_{N+1} > \frac{n}{2}$. onsequently the inequality (48) is satisfied with \bar{q}_{N+1} and this ends the proof of Lemma 3.

Theorem 3. *Let the assumptions of Theorem 2 be satisfied. Then the estimates*

$$\|u(x, t)\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} \leq M_3, \quad \left| u(t, x') - u(t, x'') \right| \leq M_4 \left| x' - x'' \right|^\eta \quad (58)$$

hold for arbitrary $t \in [0, \tau]$, $x', x'' \in \Omega$ with $\eta \in (0, 1)$ and constants M_3, M_4, φ depending only on known parameters and independent of ε .

Proof. The result of Theorems follows immediately from the estimates (30), (48), the conditions (4)-(6), (8) and the assumption on the set Ω . It is necessary to apply only well known results on regularity of solutions of elliptic equations to equation (1) (see, for example, [5]).

$$\omega'(z) \leq \rho_2 \omega(z), \quad \rho_2 > 0 - \text{const} \tan t. \quad (59)$$

Theorem 4. *Let the conditions (4)-(6), (7), (8)-(9), (31), (59) be satisfied. Then there exists a constant M_5 , depending only on known parameters and independent of $\varepsilon \in \left[0, \frac{1}{M_5}\right]$, such that each solution of problem (1)-(3) satisfies*

$$\text{ess sup} \{|u(t, x)| : (t, x) \in Q_T\} \leq M_5. \quad (60)$$

Theorem 5. *Let the conditions (4)-(6), (7), (8)-(9), (31) (59) be satisfied. Then the initial-boundary value problem (1)-(3) has at least one solution in the sense of (10).*

Theorem 6. *Let the conditions (4)-(6), (7), (8)-(9), (31), (59) be satisfied and assume additionally that the functions $a_{ij}(x, t)$, $b(x, t)$, $c(x, t)$ are locally Lipschitzian with respect to x . Then the initial-boundary value problem (1)-(3) has a unique solution.*

For proof we use. Proof of existence of solutions.

Theorem 4 we consider for $\delta = \left[\frac{1}{M_5}\right]$ the initial boundary value problem (10). By Theorem 4 arbitrary solutions u of modify problem (10) satisfy the a priori estimate (60). We see that a solution of modify problem with $\delta = \frac{1}{M_5}$ is automatically a solution of problem (1)-(3).

Proof of uniqueness.

For proving the uniqueness of the solution for problem (1)-(3) we assume that there exists two solutions u_1, u_2 . By Theorem 2, 3, we have for $j = 1, 2$

$$\|u_j\|_{L^\infty(Q_T)} + \left\| \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x} \right\|_{L_2, \omega(Q_T)}^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} \right\|_{L_2, \Psi(Q_T)}^2 \leq M \quad (61)$$

with some constant M .

The proof of Theorem 6 will be given in four steps corresponding to four different choices of test functions in the integral identities (10)

First step. We test (10) for $u = u_1$

$$\varphi_1 = \frac{1}{\omega(x) \Psi(x, t)} [u_1 - u_2]$$

and for $u = u_2$ with $\varphi_2 = u_1 - u_2$.

The result we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |u_1(\tau, x) - u_2(\tau, x)|^2 dx + \int_{Q_T} \left[\left| \frac{\partial(u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial(u_1 - u_2)}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right] dxdt \leq \\ \leq c_{29} \int_{Q_T} \left[\left(1 + \left| \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \right| \right) + 1 + \alpha(t, x) \right] |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt. \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

Second step. We test the integral identity (10) for $u = u_i$, $i = 1, 2$ with $\varphi_2 = u_1 - u_2$. Taking the difference of the obtained equalities, applying condition (4)-(6) and the inequalities of Cauchy and Poincare, we get

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{\partial(u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 \leq C_{30} \int (u_1 - u_2)^2 dx. \quad (63)$$

Third step. We test the integral identity (10) for $u = u_1$ with

$$\varphi_3 = \frac{1}{\omega(x)} \Psi(x, t) [\exp(Nu_1) - \exp(Nu_2)] \quad (64)$$

and for $u = u_2$ with

$$\varphi_4 = N [u_1 - u_2]_+ \exp(Nu_2) \quad (65)$$

where N is a positive number depending only on known parameters and satisfying

$$N\omega^2(s) + 2\omega'(s) + N\Psi^2(s, t) + 2\Psi(s, t) \geq 1$$

for

$$|s| \leq M$$

with the constant M from (61).

Finally we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |u_1(\tau, x) - u_2(\tau, x)|^2 dx + \int_{Q_T} |u_1 - u_2|^2 \left(\left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 \right) dxdt \leq \\ \leq C_{30} \int_{Q_T} \left\{ \left[\left| \frac{\partial(u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} \right|^2 \right] |u_1 - u_2|^2 + \right. \\ \left. + (1 + \gamma(t, x)) |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

Fourth step. Let $\varphi_j(x)$ $j = 1, \dots, J$ be a partition satisfying the conditions

$$\sum_{j=1}^J \varphi_j^2(x) = 1, \quad \left| \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial x} \right| < \frac{K_0}{R}$$

for $x \in \Omega$

$$\varphi_j(x) \in C^\infty(R^n), \quad \text{sup } \varphi_j < B(x_j, R), \quad J \leq \frac{K_0}{R^n}, \quad R < 1, \quad (67)$$

where $B(x_j, R)$ is a ball of radius R with to be fixed chosen later on. We the integral identity (10) for $u = u_1$ with

$$\varphi = \sum_{i=1}^J \varphi_j^2 |u_1 - u_2|^2. \tag{68}$$

After some calculations imply immediately

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Q_T} |u_1 - u_2|^2 \left(\left| \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right) dxdt &\leq C_{31} \int_{Q_T} \left\{ R^\gamma \left(\left| \frac{\partial u_1 - u_2}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \right. \right. \\ &\left. \left. + \left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right) + \left(\frac{1}{R^2} \right) |u_1 - u_2|^2 \right\} dxdt. \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

Proof of Theorem 6. Applying Cauchys inequality to the term in (62) involving the derivative of u_1 and choosing a suitable value of R , we obtain from (69), (66), (62), (63)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |u_1(\tau, x) - u_2(\tau, x)|^2 dx + \int_{Q_+} \left(\left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right) dxdt &\leq \\ &\leq c_{32} \int (1 + |\alpha|) |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt. \end{aligned} \tag{70}$$

We estimate the integral on the right hand site of (70) by Holders inequality and use condition on α , to get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ess sup}_{\tau \in (0, \theta)} \int_{\Omega} |u_1(\tau, x) - u_2(\tau, x)|^2 dx + \int_{Q_\theta} \left(\left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial t} \right|^2 \right) dxdt &\leq \\ &\leq C_{33} \left\{ \int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^{2p'_1} dxdt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} + C_{34} \int_0^\theta \left\{ \int_{\Omega} |u_1 - u_2|^{2p'_2} dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} dt \end{aligned} \tag{71}$$

for an arbitrary $\theta \in (0, T)$. Estimating the first integral on the right hand site of (71) by Holders inequality, using the embedding $V^2(Q_T) \subset L^{\frac{2(n+2)}{n}}(Q_T)$ (comp.[5]) and setting $q_1 = n + 2 - p'_1 n$, we find for arbitrary $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and a constant C_{33} depending only on n

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^{2p'_1} dxdt \right\}^{1/p'_1} \leq \\ &\leq \left(\int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt \right)^{\frac{q_1}{2p'_1}} \left(\int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^{\frac{2(n+2)}{n}} dxdt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1} - \frac{q_1}{2p'_1}} \leq \\ &\leq \varepsilon^{-\frac{2p'_1}{q_1}} \int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt + C_{33} \varepsilon^{\frac{2p'_1}{2p'_1 - q_1}} \left\{ \text{ess sup}_{\tau \in (0, \theta)} \int_{\Omega} |u_1(\tau, x) - u_2(\tau, x)|^2 dx + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{Q_\theta} \left| \frac{\partial (u_1 - u_2)}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{72}$$

In analogous way we estimate the last integral in (71). We define γ to be solution of the equation

$$\frac{2 - \gamma}{2p_1' - \gamma} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{p_1'} + \frac{n - 2}{n} \right).$$

We find

$$\int_0^\theta \left\{ \int_\Omega |u_1 - u_2|^{2p_2'} dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p_1'}} dt \leq C_{35} \left\{ \varepsilon^{-\frac{2p_1'}{\gamma}} \int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt + \varepsilon^{\frac{2p_1'}{2p_1' - \gamma}} \left[\operatorname{ess\,sup}_{\tau \in (0, \theta)} \int_\Omega |u_1 - u_2|^2 dx + \int \left| \frac{\partial |u_1 - u_2|}{\partial x} \right|^2 dxdt \right] \right\}. \quad (73)$$

The inequalities (71)-(73) imply with suitable ε

$$\int_\Omega |u_1(\theta, x) - u_2(\theta, x)|^2 dx \leq C_{36} \int_{Q_\theta} |u_1 - u_2|^2 dxdt \quad (74)$$

for arbitrary $\theta \in (0, \tau)$. Finally, Gronwall's lemma yields $u_1 = u_2$.

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