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# Diffusion versus absorption in semilinear parabolic problems

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## Abstract

We study the limit, when  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , of the solutions  $u = u_k$  of (E)  $\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)u^q = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$ ,  $u_k(\cdot, 0) = k\delta_0$ , with  $q > 1$ ,  $h(t) > 0$ . If  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$  where  $\omega > 0$  satisfies to  $\int_0^1 \sqrt{\omega(t)}t^{-1} dt < \infty$ , the limit function  $u_\infty$  is a solution of (E) with a single singularity at  $(0, 0)$ , while if  $\omega(t) \equiv 1$ ,  $u_\infty$  is the maximal solution of (E). We examine similar questions for equations such as  $\partial_t u - \Delta u^m + h(t)u^q = 0$  with  $m > 1$  and  $\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)e^u = 0$ . **To cite this article:** A. Shishkov, L. Véron, *C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris, Ser. I 342 (2006)*.

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## Résumé

**Diffusion versus absorption dans des problèmes paraboliques semi-linéaires.** Nous étudions la limite, quand  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , des solutions  $u = u_k$  de (E)  $\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)u^q = 0$  dans  $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$ ,  $u_k(\cdot, 0) = k\delta_0$  avec  $q > 1$ ,  $h(t) > 0$ . Nous montrons que si  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$  où  $\omega > 0$  vérifie  $\int_0^1 \sqrt{\omega(t)}t^{-1} dt < \infty$ , la fonction limite  $u_\infty$  est une solution of (E) avec une singularité isolée en  $(0, 0)$ , alors que si  $\omega(t) \equiv 1$ ,  $u_\infty$  est la solution maximale de (E). Nous examinons des questions semblables pour des équations de type suivants  $\partial_t u - \Delta u^m + h(t)u^q = 0$  avec  $m > 1$  et  $\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)e^u = 0$ . **Pour citer cet article :** A. Shishkov, L. Véron, *C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris, Ser. I 342 (2006)*.

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## Version française abrégée

Soit  $q > 1$  et  $h : \mathbb{R}_+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}_+$  une fonction continue, croissante telle que  $h(t) > 0$  pour  $t > 0$ . Il est facile de vérifier que toute solution positive  $u$  de

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)u^q = 0 \quad \text{dans } \mathbb{R}^N \times ]0, +\infty[ \quad (1)$$

satisfait à

$$u(x, t) \leq U(t) := \left( (q-1) \int_0^t h(s) ds \right)^{-1/(q-1)} \quad \forall (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times ]0, +\infty[. \quad (2)$$

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Si  $h \in L^1(0, 1, t^{Nq/2} dt)$ , il est classique que pour tout  $k > 0$  il existe une unique solution (dite fondamentale)  $u = u_k$  de (1) sur  $\mathbb{R}^N \times ]0, +\infty[$  vérifiant  $u_k(\cdot, 0) = k\delta_0$ . Par le principe du maximum  $k \mapsto u_k$  est croissant et deux cas peuvent se produire :

(i) ou bien  $u_\infty = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = U$ . *Explosion initiale complète.*

(ii) ou bien  $u_\infty$  est une solution de (1) singulière en  $(0, 0)$  vérifiant  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} u_\infty(x, t) = 0$  pour tout  $x \neq 0$ . *Explosion initiale ponctuelle.*

**Théorème 1.** (I) Si  $h(t) = e^{-\sigma/t}$  pour un  $\sigma > 0$ , alors  $u_\infty = U$ .

(II) Si  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$  où  $\omega$  est monotone croissante sur  $]0, +\infty[$  et vérifie, pour un  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$ ,  $\inf\{\omega(t)/t^\alpha : 0 < t \leq 1\} > 0$  et  $\int_0^1 \sqrt{\omega(t)} t^{-1} dt < \infty$ , alors  $u_\infty$  a une explosion initiale ponctuelle.

Dans le cas de l'équation

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t) e^u = 0 \quad \text{dans } \mathbb{R}^N \times ]0, +\infty[, \quad (3)$$

nous montrons.

**Théorème 2.** (I) Si  $h(t) = e^{-e^\sigma/t}$  pour un  $\sigma > 0$ , alors  $u_\infty = \tilde{U}$ .

(II) Si  $h(t) = e^{-e^{\omega(t)}/t}$  où  $\omega$  vérifie les conditions du Théorème 1, alors  $u_\infty$  a une explosion initiale ponctuelle.

Nos méthodes nous permettent aussi de traiter l'équation des milieux poreux avec absorption.

## 1. Main results

Let  $q > 1$  and  $h : (0, \infty) \mapsto (0, \infty)$  be a continuous nondecreasing function. It is easy to prove that any positive solution  $u$  of

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t) u^q = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, +\infty) \quad (1)$$

verifies

$$u(x, t) \leq U(t) := \left( (q-1) \int_0^t h(s) ds \right)^{-1/(q-1)} \quad \forall (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty). \quad (2)$$

If  $h \in L^1(0, 1, t^{Nq/2} dt)$ , it is classical that, for any  $k > 0$ , there exists a unique solution (called fundamental)  $u = u_k$  of (1) on  $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$  such that  $u_k(\cdot, 0) = k\delta_0$ . By the maximum principle  $k \mapsto u_k$  is increasing and the following alternative occurs:

(i) either  $u_\infty = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = U$ . *Complete initial blow-up.*

(ii) or  $u_\infty$  is a solution of (1) singular at  $(0, 0)$  such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} u_\infty(x, t) = 0$  for all  $x \neq 0$ . *Single-point initial blow-up.*

**Theorem 1.** (I) If  $h(t) = e^{-\sigma/t}$  for some  $\sigma > 0$ , then  $u_\infty = U$ .

(II) If  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$  where  $\omega$  is nondecreasing on  $(0, +\infty)$  and verifies, for some  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ ,  $\inf\{\omega(t)/t^\alpha : 0 < t \leq 1\} > 0$  and

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{\omega(t)} dt}{t} < +\infty, \quad (3)$$

then  $u_\infty$  has single-point initial blow-up.

Concerning equation

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t) e^u = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, +\infty), \quad (4)$$

any solution  $u$  verifies

$$u(x, t) \leq \tilde{U}(t) := -\ln\left(\int_0^t h(s) ds\right) \quad \forall (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, +\infty) \tag{5}$$

and the existence of a fundamental solution  $u = u_k$  is ensured if  $h(t) = e^{-b(t)}$  where  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t^{N/2}b(t) = +\infty$ .

**Theorem 2.** (I) If  $h(t) = O(e^{-\sigma/t})$  for some  $\sigma > 0$ , then  $u_\infty = \tilde{U}$ .

(II) If  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$  where  $\omega$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 1, then  $u_\infty$  has single-point initial blow-up.

Our methods apply to equations of porous media type

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u^m + h(t)u^q = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty), \tag{6}$$

with  $m > 1, q > 1$  and  $h : (0, \infty) \mapsto (0, \infty)$  is nondecreasing. As above, any positive solution satisfies (2). If  $h \in L^1((0, 1; t^{-(q-1)/(m-1+2N-1)}) dt)$ , for any  $k > 0$  there exists a solution  $u = u_k$  of (6) such that  $u_k(\cdot, 0) = k\delta_0$ . Since  $k \mapsto u_k$  is increasing, the same alternative as in case of (1) occurs concerning  $u_\infty$ .

**Theorem 3.** Assume  $q > m > 1$ . (I) If  $h(t) = O(t^{(q-m)/(m-1)})$ , then  $u_\infty = U$ .

(II) If  $h(t) = t^{(q-m)/(m-1)}\omega^{-1}(t)$  where  $\omega$  is nondecreasing and positive on  $(0, +\infty)$  and verifies

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\omega^\theta(t) dt}{t} < +\infty, \tag{7}$$

where  $\theta = \frac{m^2-1}{(N(m-1)+2(m+1))(q-1)}$ , then  $u_\infty$  has single-point initial blow-up.

**Sketch of the proofs.** The complete initial blow-up results are proved by constructing local subsolutions by modifying the very singular solutions of some related equations. Since for Eq. (1), the proof is already given in [3] we shall outline the (more complicated) construction for Eq. (4).

**Lemma 4.** If  $h(t) = \sigma t^{-2}e^{\sigma t^{-1}-e^{-\sigma/t}}$  for some  $\sigma > 0$ , complete initial blow-up occurs for Eq. (4).

**Proof.** Writing  $h(t) = e^{-a(t)}$  is first observed that fundamental solutions  $u_k$  of (4) exist for all  $k > 0$  if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t^{N/2}a(t) = \infty$ . For  $\ell > 1$ , let  $v = v_{\infty, \ell}$  be the very singular solution of

$$\partial_t v - \Delta v + ct^{\alpha_\ell} v^\ell = 0 \tag{8}$$

in  $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$ , where  $\alpha_\ell$  and  $c$  are positive constants. The choice of  $\alpha_\ell = (N + 2)/(\ell - 1)/2 - 1$  ensures the existence of  $v_{\infty, \ell}$ . Furthermore, if we write

$$v_{\infty, \ell}(x, t) = \left(\frac{2c}{N+2}\right)^{1/(\ell-1)} t^{-(1+N/2)} f_\ell(x/\sqrt{t}),$$

then  $f_\ell(\eta) \leq 1$  for  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and

$$\Delta f_\ell + \frac{1}{2} Df_\ell \cdot \eta + \frac{N+2}{2} f_\ell - f_\ell^\ell = 0. \tag{9}$$

By the maximum principle  $0 < f_\ell < f_{\ell'} \leq 1$  for  $\ell' > \ell > 1$ . For the particular choice  $\ell^* = (N + 4)/(N2)$ , we can use the expression of the asymptotic expansion of the very singular solution given in [1],

$$f_{\ell^*}(\eta) = C|\eta|^2 e^{-|\eta|^2/4} (1 + o(1)) \quad \text{as } |\eta| \rightarrow \infty,$$

from which follows  $f_\ell(\eta) \geq f_{\ell^*}(\eta) \geq \delta^*(|\eta|^2 + 1) e^{-|\eta|^2/4}$  for some  $\delta^* > 0$ , any  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $\ell \geq \ell^*$ . Thus there exists  $\delta > 0$  depending only on  $N$  such that

$$v_{\infty, \ell}(x, t) \geq \delta c^{1/(\ell-1)} t^{-1-N/2} (|x|^2 + t) e^{-|x|^2/4t} \quad \forall (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty). \tag{10}$$

Because any positive solution  $u$  of (4) satisfies (5), we have to prove that we can fix  $c$  and  $\tau > 0$  such that

$$ct^{\alpha\ell}(\rho^\ell + 1) \geq h(t)e^\rho \quad \forall (t, \rho) \in (0, \tau] \times [0, \tilde{V}(t)]. \tag{11}$$

Writing  $h$  under the form  $h(t) = -\omega'(t)e^{\omega(t)}$  where  $\omega(t) = e^{\gamma(t)}$  and  $\gamma$  is a positive decreasing  $C^1$  function, infinite at  $t = 0$ , we first notice that it is sufficient to prove this inequality for  $\rho = \tilde{U}(t)$ , and in that case

$$ct^{\alpha\ell}(e^{\ell\gamma(t)} + 1) \geq -\gamma'(t)e^{\gamma(t)} \quad \forall t \in (0, \tau]. \tag{12}$$

We take now  $\gamma(t) = \sigma/t$ , and prove that there exists  $\beta > 0$ , depending only on  $N$  such that, for any  $0 < \tau \leq \beta\sigma$ , estimate (11) holds with

$$c = e^{(1-\ell)\sigma/\tau - 2^{-1}(\ell(N+2)-N)\ln\tau}.$$

The maximum principle and (11) imply that for any  $\ell > 1$  and  $k > 0$  the solutions  $u = u_k$  of (4) and  $v = \tilde{v}_k$  of

$$\partial_t v - \Delta v + ct^{\alpha\ell}(v^\ell + 1) = 0$$

with initial data  $k\delta_0$  verifies  $0 \leq \tilde{v}_{k,\ell} \leq u_k$ , on  $(0, \tau]$ . Therefore  $v_{\infty,\ell} \leq u_\infty + ct^{\alpha\ell+1}/(\alpha\ell + 1)$  on  $(0, \tau]$  leads to

$$u_\infty(x, \tau) \geq \delta\tau^{-1-N/2}(|x|^2 + \tau) e^{\frac{4\sigma-|x|^2}{4\tau} - \frac{\ell(N+2)-N}{2(1-\ell)}\ln\tau}.$$

Thus  $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} u_\infty(x, \tau) = \infty$ , locally uniformly in  $B_{2\sqrt{\sigma}}$ , which implies the result.  $\square$

The proof of Theorem 2 follows from the fact that for any  $\sigma > \sigma' > 0$  there exists an interval  $(0, \theta]$  where  $\sigma't^{-2}e^{\sigma't-1-e^{-\sigma'/t}} \geq e^{-e^{\sigma'/t}}$ .

The single-point initial blow-up is proved by local energy methods (see [2,5,6] for other types of applications). Because of their high degree of technicality we shall just give a short sketch of them in the simplest case of Theorem 1. For  $k > 0$ , let  $u_k = u$  be the solution of the next result.

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u + h(t)|u|^{q-1}u = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty), \\ u(x, 0) = u_{0,k}(x) = M_k^{1/2}k^{-N/2}\eta_k(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \tag{13}$$

where  $\eta_k \in C(\mathbb{R}^N)$  is nonnegative, has compact support in  $B_{k-1}$ , converges weakly to  $\delta_0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $\{M_k\}$  satisfies  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k^{-N/2}M_k = \infty$ . Furthermore it can be assumed that  $\|\eta_k\|_{L^2} \leq c_0k^{N/2}$ . The single-point initial blow-up will be a consequence of

**Lemma 5.** *For any  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $C = C(\delta)$  such that:*

$$\sup_{t \in [0,1]} \int_{|x| \geq \delta} u_k^2(x, t) dx + \int_0^1 \int_{|x| \geq \delta} (|\nabla u_k|^2 + u_k^2) dx dt \leq C \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{14}$$

**Proof.** For  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\tau \geq 0$  we set  $\Omega(\tau) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N : |x| > \tau\}$ ,  $Q^r(\tau) = \Omega(\tau) \times (0, r]$ ,  $Q_r(\tau) = \Omega(\tau) \times (r, 1)$  and  $Q_r = \mathbb{R}^N \times (r, 1)$ , and denote  $I_1(r) = \iint_{Q_r} |\nabla u|^2 dx dt$ ,  $I_2(r) = \iint_{Q_r} u^2 dx dt$ ,  $I_3(r) = \iint_{Q_r} h(t)|u|^{q+1} dx dt$ . If we multiply the equation by  $u(x, t)e^{(r-t)/(2-r)}$ , integrate on  $Q_r$  and use Hölder's inequality, we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^2(x, 1) dx + I_1(r) + I_2(r) + I_3(r) &\leq c \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^2(x, r) dx \\ &\leq c\tau^{\frac{N(q-1)}{q+1}} h(r)^{\frac{-2}{q+1}} (-I_3'(r))^{\frac{2}{q+1}} + c \int_{\Omega(\tau)} u^2(x, r) dx. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Let  $\tau \mapsto \mu(\tau)$  be a smooth decreasing function, we define

$$E_1^\mu(r, \tau) = \iint_{Q^r(\tau)} (|\nabla u|^2 + \mu^2 u^2(x, t)) e^{-\mu^2 t} dx dt,$$

$$E_2(r, \tau) = \iint_{Q^r(\tau)} u^2 dx dt \quad \text{and} \quad f_\mu(r, \tau) = \sup \left\{ e^{-\mu^2 t} \int_{\Omega(\tau)} u^2(x, t) dx : 0 \leq t \leq r \right\}$$

and  $f(r) = f_0(r, 0)$ . Then we introduce a parameter in the equation as in [4] by multiplying it by  $u(x, t) \exp(-\mu^2(\tau)t)$  and integrating in the domain  $Q^r(\tau)$  with  $\tau > k^{-1} Q^r(\tau)$  and  $\tau > k^{-1}$ . After some simple computations we deduce:

$$f_\mu(r, \tau) + 2E_1^\mu(r, \tau) \leq \frac{2}{\mu} \int_0^r \int_{\partial\Omega(\tau)} (|\nabla u|^2 + \mu^2 u^2(x, t)) e^{-\mu^2 t} dS dt \quad \forall \tau > k^{-1}.$$

Assuming  $1 - 2\mu'/\mu^2 > 1/2$ , we deduce from last inequality:

$$f_\mu(r, \tau) + E_1^\mu(r, \tau) \leq -\frac{2}{\mu(\tau)} \frac{dE_1^\mu(r, \tau)}{d\tau} \quad \forall \tau > k^{-1},$$

and by integration

$$f_\mu(r, \tau_2) \left( e^{\int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \frac{\mu(\tau) d\tau}{2}} - 1 \right) + E_1^\mu(r, \tau_2) e^{\int_{\tau_1}^{\tau_2} \frac{\mu(\tau) d\tau}{2}} \leq E_1^\mu(r, \tau_1) \quad \forall \tau_2 > \tau_1 > k^{-1}.$$

The choice  $\mu(\tau) = r^{-1}(\tau - k^{-1})/8$  ( $\tau > k^{-1}$ ) yields to

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega(\tau)} u^2(x, r) dx + \iint_{Q^r(\tau)} \left( |\nabla_x u|^2 + \frac{(\tau - k^{-1})^2}{64r^2} u^2 \right) dx dt \\ & \leq c_1 e^{-\frac{(\tau - k^{-1})^2}{64r}} \times \iint_{Q^r(\tau_0^k)} \left( |\nabla_x u|^2 + \frac{u^2}{2r} \right) dx dt \quad \forall \tau \geq \tilde{\tau}_0^k := k^{-1} + 8\sqrt{r} > \tau_0^k := k^{-1} + 4\sqrt{2r}. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

We will need standard global energy estimate of solution of problem (13) too:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |u(x, r)|^2 dx + \int_{Q^r} (|\nabla_x u|^2 + |u|^2 + h(t)|u|^{q+1}) dx dt \leq c \|u_{0,k}\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^N)}^2 \leq \bar{c} M_k \quad \forall r > 0. \tag{17}$$

Estimating the right-hand side terms in (15) and (16) by (17), we derive:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r) \leq c_1 \tau^{\frac{N(q-1)}{q+1}} h(r)^{\frac{-2}{q+1}} (-I_3'(r))^{\frac{2}{q+1}} + \frac{c_2 M_k}{r} e^{-(\tau - k^{-1})^2/64r} \quad \forall \tau \geq \tilde{\tau}_0^k(r), \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & f_0(r, \tau) + E_1^0(r, \tau) + \frac{\tau - k^{-1}}{64r^2} E_2(r, \tau) \leq \frac{c_2 M_k}{r} e^{-(\tau - k^{-1})^2/64r} \quad \forall \tau \geq \tilde{\tau}_0^k(r). \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Next we choose  $M_k = e^{\epsilon k}$ , fix  $\epsilon_0 \in (0, e^{-1})$  and define a pair  $(r_k, \tau_k)$  by the following relations:  $r_k = \sup\{r: I_1(r) + I_2(r) + I_3(r) > 2M_k^{\epsilon_0}\}$ ;  $c_2 r_k^{-1} \exp(-\frac{\tau_k^2}{64r_k}) M_k = M_k^{\epsilon_0} \Leftrightarrow \tau_k = 8\sqrt{r_k(1 - \epsilon_0) e^k + \ln(c_2/r_k)}$ . Taking  $\tau = \tau_k + k^{-1}$  in (18)(i) and solving the corresponding O.D.E. yields the estimate:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r) \leq c_3 (\tau_k + k^{-1}) (H(r))^{-2/(q-1)} \quad \forall r \leq r_k, \quad H(r) = \int_0^r h(s) ds. \tag{19}$$

If we write  $h(t) = e^{-\omega(t)/t}$ , the assumption  $\inf\{\omega(t)/t^\alpha : 0 < t \leq 1\} > 0$  implies that  $H(r) \geq c_0 e^{-\omega(r)/r} r^2/\omega(r)$  and, replacing  $\tau_k$  by its expression, (19) turns into

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r) \leq c_4 \left( \sqrt{r_k(1 - \epsilon_0) e^k + \ln(c_2/r_k)} + k^{-1} \right)^N \left( \frac{\omega(r) e^{-\omega(r)/r}}{r^2} \right)^{2/(q-1)} \quad \forall r \leq r_k.$$

Thus  $r_k \leq b_k$ , where  $b_k$  is solution of equation:

$$c_4 \left( \sqrt{r_k(1 - \epsilon_0) e^k + \ln(c_2/b_k)} + k^{-1} \right)^N \left( \frac{\omega(b_k) e^{-\omega(b_k)/b_k}}{b_k^2} \right)^{2/(q-1)} = 2M_k^{\epsilon_0} = 2e^{\epsilon_0 e^k}.$$

From this inequality, using additionally assumption on  $\omega(t)$ , we obtain:  $c_5 e^k \geq \omega(b_k)/b_k \geq c_6 e^k$ ,  $c_6 > 0$ ;  $b_k \geq e^{-c_7 k}$ ,  $c_7 > 0$ . These inequalities yield:

$$\tau_k \leq c_8 \sqrt{\omega(c_9 e^{-k})}. \tag{20}$$

Using the definition of  $r_k$ , inequality (18)(ii), the fact that  $3M_k^{\epsilon_0} \leq \bar{c}M_{k-1} \forall k \geq k_0(\bar{c})$  ( $\bar{c}$  is from (17),  $0 < \epsilon_0 < e^{-1}$ ), we deduce the main result of first round of computations:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r_k) + f_0(r_k, \tau_k + k^{-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^2 E_i(r_k, \tau_k + k^{-1}) \leq 3M_k^{\epsilon_0} \leq \bar{c}M_{k-1}. \tag{21}$$

Next we organize the second round of estimates with  $\mu(\tau) = (\tau - \tau_k - k^{-1})/8$ ,  $r_{k-1}$  and  $\tau_{k-1}$  be defined similarly as  $r_k$  and  $\tau_k$ , up to the change of indices, using obtained estimate (21) instead of (17). As result we derive:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r_{k-1}) + f_0(r_{k-1}, \tau_k + \tau_{k-1} + k^{-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^2 E_i(r_{k-1}, \tau_k + \tau_{k-1} + k^{-1}) \leq \bar{c}M_{k-2}. \tag{22}$$

Fixing arbitrary  $n > k_0(\bar{c})$  and repeating the above described round of computations  $k - n$  times, we obtain:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 I_i(r_n) + f_0\left(r_n, \sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \tau_{k-j} + k^{-1}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^2 E_i\left(r_n, \sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \tau_{k-j} + k^{-1}\right) \leq \bar{c}M_{n-1}, \tag{23}$$

and, since by induction  $\tau_{k-j}$  satisfies (20) with  $k$  replaced by  $k - j$ , we obtain

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \tau_{k-j} \leq c_8 \sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \sqrt{\omega(c_9 e^{-(k-j)})} \leq c_{10} \int_{c_9 e^{-k}}^{c_9 e^{-n}} \frac{\sqrt{\omega(s)} ds}{s}. \tag{24}$$

We denote  $\tau^*(n) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_8 \sum_{j=0}^{k-n} \sqrt{\omega(c_9 e^{-(k-j)})}$ . We derive from (23) by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\sup_{0 < t \leq r_n} \int_{|x| \geq \tau^*(n)} u^2(x, t) dx + \int_0^{r_n} \int_{|x| \geq \tau^*(n)} (|Du|^2 + u^2) dx dt \leq \bar{c}M_{n-1}. \tag{25}$$

Due to assumption (4)  $\tau^*(n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , therefore inequality (25) implies the result.

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