

Recent results on porous medium equations with nonlocal pressure

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Preliminaries on the PME

Derivation of the Porous Medium Equation

- Physical Model: a continuum (fluid or population) with density distribution $u(x, t) \geq 0$ and velocity field $\mathbf{v}(x, t)$.
- Continuity equation $u_t = \nabla(u \cdot \mathbf{v})$.
- Darcy's law: \mathbf{v} derives from a potential (fluids in porous media):
 $\mathbf{v} = -\nabla p$.
- The relation between p and u : for gasses in porous media, Leibenzon and Muskat (1930) derived a relation in the form of the state law

$$p = f(u),$$

where f is a nondecreasing scalar function. $f(u)$ is linear when the flow is isothermal and is a higher power of u when the flow is adiabatic, i.e. $f(u) = cu^{m-1}$ with $c > 0$ and $m > 1$.

- The linear dependence $f(u) = cu \rightarrow$ Boussinesq (1903) modelling water infiltration in an almost horizontal soil layer $\rightarrow u_t = c\Delta u^2$.
- The model $u_t = (c/m)\Delta u^m$.
- The Porous Medium Equation $u_t = \Delta u^m$.

Porous Medium Equation / Fast Diffusion Equation

$$\text{PME/FDE} \quad u_t(x, t) = \Delta u^m(x, t) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0$$

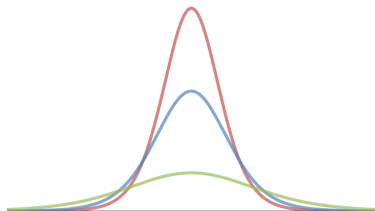
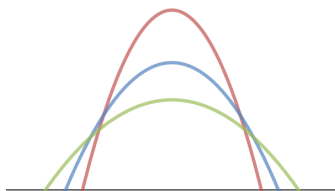
$$\text{Self Similar solutions: } \mathcal{U}(x, t) = t^{-\frac{N}{N(m-1)+2}} F(|x| t^{-\frac{1}{N(m-1)+2}})$$

Slow Diffusion $m > 1$

Fast Diffusion $m < 1$

$$F(y) \sim (R^2 - |y|^2)_+^{1/(m-1)}$$

$$F \sim (R^2 + |y|^2)^{-1/(1-m)}$$



The Fractional Version

Definition of the Fractional Laplacian

Several equivalent definitions of the nonlocal operator $(-\Delta)^s$ (Laplacian of order $2s$):

- ① Fourier transform $\widehat{(-\Delta)^s g}(\xi) = (2\pi|\xi|)^{2s} \hat{g}(\xi)$.

[can be used for positive and negative values of s]

- ② Singular Kernel $(-\Delta)^s g(x) = c_{N,s} \text{ P.V. } \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{g(x) - g(z)}{|x - z|^{N+2s}} dz$

[can be used for $0 < s < 1$, where $c_{N,s}$ is a normalization constant.]

- ③ Heat semigroup

$$(-\Delta)^s g(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-s)} \int_0^\infty (e^{t\Delta} g(x) - g(x)) \frac{dt}{t^{1+s}}.$$

- ④ Generator of the $2s$ -stable Levy process:

$$(-\Delta)^s g(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \mathbb{E}[g(x) - g(x + X_h)].$$

Porous medium with nonlocal pressure

- The pressure $p = (-\Delta)^{-s}(u)$, $0 < s < 1$:

$$(-\Delta)^{-s}(u) = K_s \star u = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{u(y)}{|x-y|^{N-2s}} dy, \quad K_s(x) = C_{N,s}|x|^{-(N-2s)}.$$

- The model:

$$\partial_t u = \nabla \cdot (u \nabla p), \quad p = (-\Delta)^{-s}(u).$$

Difficulties: no maximum principle, no uniqueness.

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Porous Medium with nonlocal pressure

$$\partial_t u = \nabla \cdot (u^{m-1} \nabla p), \quad p = (-\Delta)^{-s}(u). \quad (\text{M1})$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $t > 0$, $N \geq 1$. We take $m > 1$, $0 < s < 1$ and $u(x, t) \geq 0$.

The initial data $u(x, 0) = u_0(x)$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $u_0 : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is assumed to be a bounded integrable function.



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Existence of solutions

New idea: existence for all $m > 1$ when $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$

Based on suitable energy methods.

Formally:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u_0^p(x) dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u(x, t)^p dx &= C_1 \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^{m+p-2} (-\Delta)^{1-s} u \, dx \, dt \\ &\geq C_2 \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left| (-\Delta)^{\frac{1-s}{2}} u^{\frac{m+p-2}{2}} \right|^2 dx \, dt \end{aligned}$$

by the Stroock-Varopoulos Inequality.

Here $C_1 = (p-1)/(m+p-2)$.

New approximation method

$$u_t = \nabla \cdot (u^{m-1} \nabla (-\Delta)^{-1} (-\Delta)^{1-s} u) \quad (P)$$

Then we approximate the operator $\mathcal{L} = (-\Delta)^{1-s}$ by

$$\mathcal{L}_\epsilon^{1-s}(u)(x) = C_{N,1-s} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{u(x) - u(y)}{(|x - y|^2 + \epsilon^2)^{\frac{N+2-2s}{2}}} dy.$$

- **Convergence:** $\mathcal{L}_\epsilon^{1-s}[u] \rightarrow (-\Delta)^{1-s}u$ pointwise in \mathbb{R}^N as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$
- **Generalized Stroock-Varopoulos Inequality for \mathcal{L}_ϵ^s :** Let $u \in H_\epsilon^s(\mathbb{R}^N)$. Let $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\psi \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $\psi' \geq 0$. Then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \psi(u) \mathcal{L}_\epsilon^s[u] dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left| (\mathcal{L}_\epsilon^s)^{\frac{1}{2}} [\psi(u)] \right|^2 dx,$$

where $\psi' = (\Psi')^2$.

Approximating problem

We consider the approximating problem $(P_{\epsilon\delta\mu R})$

$$\begin{cases} (U_1)_t = \delta\Delta U_1 + \nabla \cdot ((U_1 + \mu)^{m-1} \nabla (-\Delta)^{-1} \mathcal{L}_\epsilon^{1-s}[U_1]) & \text{for } (x, t) \in B_R \times (0, T) \\ U_1(x, 0) = \widehat{u}_0(x) & \text{for } x \in B_R, \\ U_1(x, t) = 0 & \text{for } x \in \partial B_R, \quad t \in (0, T) \end{cases}$$

with parameters $\epsilon, \delta, \mu, R > 0$.

- **Existence of solutions of $(P_{\epsilon\delta\mu R})$** \rightarrow fixed points of the following map given by the Duhamel's formula

$$\mathcal{T}(v)(x, t) = e^{\delta t \Delta} u_0(x) + \int_0^t \nabla e^{\delta(t-\tau)\Delta} \cdot G(v)(x, \tau) d\tau,$$

where $G(v) = (v + \mu)^{m-1} \nabla (-\Delta)^{-1} \mathcal{L}_\epsilon^s[v]$ and $e^{t\Delta}$ is the Heat Semigroup.

- **Existence of solutions of (P)**

$$(P_{\epsilon\delta\mu R}) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (P_{\delta\mu R}) \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} (P_{\delta\mu}) \xrightarrow{\mu \rightarrow 0} (P_\delta) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (P).$$

Existence of weak solutions for $m > 1$

Theorem. Let $1 < m < \infty$, $N \geq 1$, and let $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and nonnegative. Then we prove:

- **Existence of a weak solution** $u \geq 0$ of Problem (M1) with initial data u_0 .

- **Conservation of mass:** For all $0 < t < T$: $\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u(x, t) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u_0(x) dx$.

- **L^∞ estimate:** $\|u(\cdot, t)\|_\infty \leq \|u_0\|_\infty$, $\forall 0 < t < T$

- **L^p energy estimate:** For all $1 < p < \infty$ and $0 < t < T$ we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^p(x, t) dx + C(m, p) \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left| (-\Delta)^{\frac{1-s}{2}} u^{\frac{m+p-1}{2}} \right|^2 dx dt \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u_0^p(x) dx.$$

- **Second energy estimate:** For all $0 < t < T$ we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left| (-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}} u(t) \right|^2 dx + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^{m-1} \left| \nabla (-\Delta)^{-s} u(t) \right|^2 dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left| (-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}} u_0 \right|^2 dx.$$

Smoothing effect

Theorem

Let $u \geq 0$ be a weak solution of Problem (M1) with $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$, $u_0 \geq 0$, as constructed before. Then

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)} \leq C_{N,s,m,p} t^{-\gamma_p} \|u_0\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)}^{\delta_p} \quad \text{for all } t > 0,$$

$$\text{where } \gamma_p = \frac{N}{(m-1)N+2p(1-s)}, \quad \delta_p = \frac{2p(1-s)}{(m-1)N+2p(1-s)}.$$

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Existence for measure data

Let $1 < m < \infty$, $N \geq 1$ and $\mu \in \mathcal{M}^+(\mathbb{R}^N)$. Then there exists a weak solution $u \geq 0$ of Problem (M1) s.t. the smoothing effect holds for $p = 1$:

$$\|u(\cdot, t)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)} \leq C_{N,s,m} t^{-\gamma} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N)^\delta \quad \text{for all } t > 0,$$

Moreover:

- **Regularity:** $u \in L^\infty((\tau, \infty) : L^1(\mathbb{R}^N)) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N \times (\tau, \infty)) \cap L^\infty((0, \infty) : \mathcal{M}^+(\mathbb{R}^N))$ for all $\tau > 0$
- **Conservation of mass:** For all $0 < t < T$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u(x, t) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} d\mu(x)$.
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Positivity results

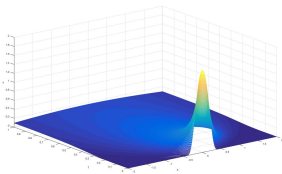


Figure: $m = 1.5$, $s = 0.25$

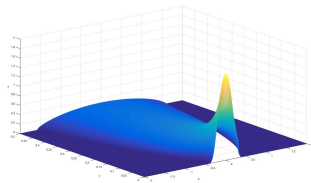


Figure: $m = 2$, $s = 0.25$

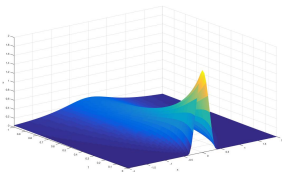


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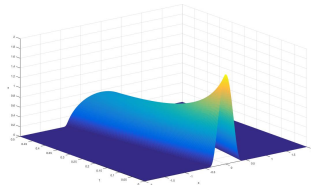


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Infinite vs. finite speed of propagation

Finite speed of propagation for $m \geq 2$

Theorem

Assume that u_0 has compact support and $u(x, t)$ is bounded for all x, t . Then $u(\cdot, t)$ is compactly supported for all $t > 0$.

If $0 < s < 1/2$ and

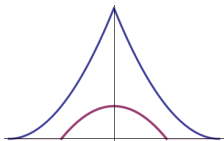
$$u_0(x) \leq U_0(x) := a(|x| - b)^2,$$

then there is a constant C large enough s.t.

$$u(x, t) \leq \mathcal{U}(x, t) := a(Ct - (|x| - b))^2.$$

For $1/2 \leq s < 2 \Rightarrow C = C(t)$ is an increasing function of t .

Consequence: Free Boundaries!



Infinite speed of propagation for $m \in (1, 2)$ and $N = 1$

Theorem. Let $m \in (1, 2)$, $s \in (0, 1)$ and $N = 1$. Let u be the solution of Problem (PMFP) with initial data $u_0 \geq 0$ radially symmetric and monotone decreasing in $|x|$. Then $u(x, t) > 0$ for all $t > 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Idea of the proof: Prove that

$$v(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^x u(y, t) dy > 0 \quad \text{for } t > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The integrated problem

$$\partial_t v = -|v_x|^{m-1} (-\Delta)^{1-s} v \quad (IP)$$

The initial data is given by

$$v_0(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x u_0(y) dy.$$

Initial data $v_0(x)$ satisfies:

$$v_0(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } x < -\eta,$$

$$v_0(x) = M \quad \text{for } x > \eta,$$

$$v'_0(x) \geq 0 \quad \text{for } x \in (-\eta, \eta).$$

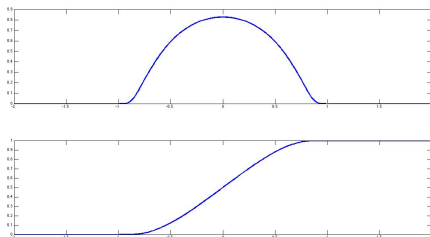


Figure: Typical initial data for models (P) and (IP).

Transformations

Porous Medium with Fractional Pressure

$$V_t = \nabla \cdot (V^{m-1} \nabla (-\Delta)^{-s} V)$$

Self Similar Solutions

$$V(x, t) = t^{-\alpha_2} F_2(t^{-\beta_2} x) \quad \text{with} \\ \alpha_2 = N\beta_2, \quad \beta_2 = \frac{1}{N(m-1)+2-2s},$$

$$\nabla \cdot (F_2^{m-1} \nabla (-\Delta)^{-s} F_2) = -\beta_2 \nabla \cdot (y F_2).$$

Fractional Porous Medium Equation

$$U_t + (-\Delta)^\sigma U^q = 0$$

Self Similar Solutions

$$U(x, t) = t^{-\alpha_1} F_1(t^{-\beta_1} x) \quad \text{with} \\ \alpha_1 = N\beta_1, \quad \beta_1 = \frac{1}{N(q-1)+2\sigma},$$

$$(-\Delta)^\sigma F_1^q = \beta_1 \nabla \cdot (y F_1).$$



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Theorem. Transformation of self similar solutions

If $q > N/(N + 2\sigma)$, $\sigma \in (0, 1)$ then

$$F_2(x) = (\beta_1/\beta_2)^{\frac{q}{1-q}} (F_1(x))^q$$

is a solution to the profile equation (PF2) if we put $m = (2q - 1)/q$ and $s = 1 - \sigma$.

- FPME: The profile $F_1(y)$ is a smooth, positive and radial function in \mathbb{R}^N , $F'(r) < 0$ and for $q > N/(N + 2\sigma)$, $F_1(y) \sim |y|^{-(N+2\sigma)}$ for large $|y|$.

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\implies Infinite Propagation for Self-Similar Solutions of the PMFP in \mathbb{R}^N , $N \geq 1$, $m < 2$.

Similar results are proved for smaller values of parameters.

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Transformation. From (M1) we obtain self-similar solutions to (M3)

$$\psi := \frac{1}{c} F_2^{m-2}, \quad \bar{m} = \frac{1}{m-2}, \quad c = \left(\frac{\beta_2}{b} \right)^{1/(m-1)}$$

Asymptotic Behavior

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Uniqueness of weak solutions is proved in the one-dimensional case.

Theorem

Let $m \in (1, +\infty)$, $s \in (0, 1)$, $N = 1$ and $\mu \in \mathcal{M}^+(\mathbb{R}^N)$. Then there exists a unique weak solution to Problem (M1).

The proof is done via the integrated problem.

Theorem

Let $m \in (1, \infty)$, $s \in (0, 1)$ and $N = 1$. Assume that $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, $\|u_0\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} = M$ and let u be the corresponding weak solution of (M1). Then

$$t^{\frac{N(1-\frac{1}{p})}{(m-1)N+2-2s}} \|u(\cdot, t) - U_M(\cdot, t)\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

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Proof. Rescale $u_\lambda(x, t) = \lambda^N u(\lambda x, \lambda^b t)$, for $\lambda > 0$. Then use the four step method:

- (I) compactness estimates + convergence in $L^2(B_R)$,
- (II) tail control in $\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B_R$,
- (III) convergence in $L^p(\mathbb{R})$,
- (IV) Put $t = 1$ and then λ is the new time.

Conclusions

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- Recently, the problem posed in a bounded domain was considered in [NguyenVaz 2017] for dimension $N \geq 1$. Further work is to be done on that issue.

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