Example of equations with nonlinearity of type min[u,v]

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This paper considers a boundary-value problem for a nonlinear system of equations that are derived from a trading process model [1].

Let u(x.t), v(x,t), 0 < x < 1, t > 0, satisfy a system

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = -a_u \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} - b_u u(x,t) - c \min[u(x,t), v(x,t)],$$

$$\frac{\partial v(x,t)}{\partial t} = a_v \frac{\partial v(x,t)}{\partial x} - b_v v(x,t) - c \min[u(x,t), v(x,t)],$$
(1)

$$\frac{\partial u(0,t)}{\partial t} = d_u - a_u u(0,t) - b_u u(0,t) - c \min[u(0,t), v(0,t)],$$
(2)

$$\frac{\partial v(1,t)}{\partial t} = d_v - a_v v(1,t) - b_v v(1,t) - c \min[u(1,t), v(1,t)],$$
(3)

 $u(x,0) = u_0(x) \ge 0, \quad v(x,0) = v_0(x) \ge 0.$ (4)

Here $a_{u/v}$, $b_{u/v}$, c, $d_{u/v}$ are positive.

Theorem 1 For any initial data $u_0(x)$, $v_0(x)$ for all t > 0 there exists a unique solution to (1)-(4). As $t \to \infty$ a solution approaches a fixed point which is the unique solution to a system

$$-a_{u}\frac{\mathrm{d}u(x,t)}{\mathrm{d}x} - b_{u}u(x,t) - c\min[u(x,t),v(x,t)] = 0,$$

$$a_{v}\frac{\mathrm{d}v(x,t)}{\mathrm{d}x} - b_{v}v(x,t) - c\min[u(x,t),v(x,t)] = 0,$$
(5)

$$d_u - a_u u(0,t) - b_u u(0,t) - c \min[u(0,t), v(0,t)] = 0,$$
(6)

$$d_v - a_v v(1,t) - b_v v(1,t) - c \min[u(1,t), v(1,t)] = 0.$$
⁽⁷⁾

Remark that the type of boundary conditions (2), (3) and (6), (7) depends on sign of u - v, that makes not evident the uniqueness of solution to (5)-(7).

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