

# Fujita-type Phenomenon of the Nonlocal Diffusion Equations with Localized Source

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**Abstract** In this paper, we investigate the Cauchy problem for the nonlocal diffusion system with localized source  $u_t = J * u - u + a(x)v^p$ ,  $v_t = J * v - v + a(x)u^q$ . We first prove that the Fujita curve is  $(pq)_c = 1 + \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$  based on whether there exist global solutions, that is, if  $1 < pq < (pq)_c$ , then every nonnegative solution blows up in finite time, but for  $pq > (pq)_c$ , there exist both global and non-global solutions to the problem. Furthermore, we establish the secondary critical curve on the space-decay of initial value at infinity.

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider the Cauchy problem for a nonlocal diffusion system

$$\begin{cases} u_t = J * u - u + a(x)v^p, & x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0, \\ v_t = J * v - v + a(x)u^q, & x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), v(x, 0) = v_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where  $J \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$  is nonnegative, radially symmetric and decreasing, with unit integral,  $*$  stands for usual convolution in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $a(x)$  is a nonnegative continuous function with compact support containing the origin, and  $u_0, v_0 \in L^r(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  are radially symmetric and decreasing in  $(0, \infty)$  with  $r > 1$ . As we all know, the nonlocal diffusion system (1.1) can be used to describe a variety of nonlocal diffusion processes for generation populations [1–4], deblurring-denoising of images [5], etc.

For nonlinear nonlocal diffusion systems, García-Melián and Quirós [6] proved that the following problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t = J * u - u + u^p, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

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has the same critical exponent  $p_c = 1 + \frac{2}{N}$  as the classical nonlinear heat equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta u + u^p, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N. \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

Namely, (i) If  $1 < p \leq p_c$ , the solution of (1.2) blows up in finite time for every nonnegative and nontrivial initial data  $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ , (ii) But for  $p > p_c$ , there exist both global and blow-up solutions depending on the size of the initial data  $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ . The study of the critical exponent  $p_c$  originated from Fujita [7]. Moreover, to describe the critical space-decay rate of initial data in the co-existence parameter region of global and blow-up solutions, Lee and Ni [8] introduced the second critical exponent for the system (1.3). That is, assuming  $u_0(x) \sim |x|^{-a}$ ,  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$  in the case  $p > p_c$ , there exist both global and blow-up solutions of (1.3) for  $a > a_0 = \frac{2}{p-1}$  and  $0 < a < a_0$ .

For the coupled heat system

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta u + v^p, & v_t = \Delta v + u^q, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & v(x, 0) = v_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \tag{1.4}$$

Escobedo and Herrero [9] achieved the critical Fujita curve as  $(pq)_c = 1 + \frac{2}{N} \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$ , namely, if  $1 < pq \leq (pq)_c$ , every solution blows up in finite time; but for  $pq > (pq)_c$ , there exist both global and blow-up solutions. Letting  $u_0(x) \sim |x|^{-a}$ ,  $v_0(x) \sim |x|^{-b}$ ,  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ , Mochizuki [10] proved in the coexistence region  $pq > (pq)_c$  that there exist global solutions if  $a > a_0 = \frac{2(p+1)}{pq-1}$  and  $b > b_0 = \frac{2(q+1)}{pq-1}$ , while every solution of (1.4) blows up in finite time when  $0 < a < a_0$  or  $0 < b < b_0$ .

Concerning the coupled nonlocal diffusion system

$$\begin{cases} u_t = J * u - u + v^p, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ v_t = J * v - v + u^q, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & v(x, 0) = v_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \tag{1.5}$$

where  $p, q > 1$ ,  $u_0$  and  $v_0$  are nonnegative and bounded. Yang [11] has achieved that the critical Fujita curve of (1.5) is  $(pq)_c = 1 + \frac{2}{N} \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$ . That is, every nonnegative nontrivial solution of the system (1.5) blows up in finite time if  $1 < pq \leq (pq)_c$ , but for  $pq > (pq)_c$ , there exist both global and blow-up solutions depending on the size of the initial data. Letting  $u_0(x) = \lambda\psi(x)$ ,  $v_0(x) = \mu\varphi(x)$ ,  $\lambda, \mu > 0$ , assuming  $pq > (pq)_c$ , if  $a > a_0 = \frac{2(p+1)}{pq-1}$  and  $b > b_0 = \frac{2(q+1)}{pq-1}$  with  $\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \psi(x) < \infty$  and  $\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^a \varphi(x) < \infty$ , there exist both global and non-global solutions. While any solution of (1.5) blows up in finite time for  $0 < a < a_0$  or  $0 < b < b_0$ .

For the single nonlocal diffusion equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t = J * u - u + a(x)u^p, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \tag{1.6}$$

where  $a(x)$  is a nonnegative continuous function with compact support containing the origin. Yang and Zhou [12] deduced that the critical Fujita exponent of (1.6) is  $p_c = 2$  if  $N = 1$ , and the critical exponent is  $p_c = 1$  if  $N > 1$ . That is, there is no nontrivial global solution if  $1 < p \leq p_c$ ;

but for  $p > p_c$ , there exist oth global and blow-up solutions depending on the size of the initial data. Letting  $N = 1$ ,  $u_0(x) = \lambda\varphi(x)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ . Assuming  $p > p_c = 2$ , if  $0 < b < b_0 = \frac{1}{p-1}$  with  $\liminf_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \psi(x) > 0$ , then any solution of (1.6) blows up in finite time, but for  $b_0 < b < 1$  with  $\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \psi(x) < \infty$ , there exist both global and non-global solutions relying on the size of the initial data. Letting  $N > 1$ ,  $u_0 = \lambda\varphi(x)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \psi(x) < \infty$ , then the solution of (1.6) is global with  $\lambda$  small enough.

Motivated by these works, we will deal with the Cauchy problem (1.1) and study its Fujita curve. Now we state the main results in this paper.

**Theorem 1.1** *The critical Fujita curve of the system (1.1) is*

$$(pq)_c = 1 + \max\{p + 1, q + 1\},$$

*that is, the system (1.1) has no nontrivial global solutions if  $1 < pq \leq (pq)_c$ ; but for  $pq > (pq)_c$ , there exist global solutions for small initial data.*

To study the secondary critical curve, we need the following notation:

$$\mathbb{I}_b = \{\phi(x) \in C_b(\mathbb{R}) \mid \phi(x) \geq 0, \liminf_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \phi(x) > 0\},$$

$$\mathbb{I}^b = \{\phi(x) \in C_b(\mathbb{R}) \mid \phi(x) \geq 0, \limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^b \phi(x) < \infty\},$$

where  $C_b(\mathbb{R})$  denotes the whole bounded continuous functions in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Hence we have the following results.

**Theorem 1.2** *Assume  $(u, v)$  is a solution to system (1.1),  $pq > (pq)_c = 1 + \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$ ,  $u_0(x) = \lambda\psi(x)$ ,  $v_0(x) = \tau\varphi(x)$  with  $\lambda, \tau > 0$ , and  $a_0 = \frac{p+1}{pq-1}$ ,  $b_0 = \frac{q+1}{pq-1}$ .*

(i) *If  $0 < a < a_0$  or  $0 < b < b_0$ ,  $\psi \in \mathbb{I}_a$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathbb{I}_b$ , then the solution of (1.1) blows up in finite time.*

(ii) *If  $a > a_0$  and  $b > b_0$ ,  $\psi \in \mathbb{I}^a$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathbb{I}^b$ , then there exists a global solution of (1.1) provided that  $\lambda$  and  $\tau$  are small enough.*

**Remark 1.3** *Theorem 1.2 implied that the secondary critical curve of system (1.1) is  $\min\{a - a_0, b - b_0\} = 0$ .*

In the following, we will prove the Theorem 1.1 in Section 2, while we prove the Theorem 1.2 in Section 3.

## 2. Critical Fujita curve

In this section, we will deal with the critical Fujita curve to the system (1.1).

**Proof of Theorem 1.1** Let  $\phi_R$  be the principal eigenfunction to the problem

$$\begin{cases} J * \phi_R - \phi_R = -\lambda_1(B_R)\phi_R, & x \in B_R = (-R, R), \\ \phi_R = 0, & x \in R \setminus B_R, \end{cases}$$

normalized with  $\|\phi_R\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} = 1$  and  $\phi_R > 0$  in  $B_R$ . Denote

$$\Phi(t) = \int_{-R}^R u\phi_R dx, \quad \Psi(t) = \int_{-R}^R v\phi_R dx.$$

By Fubini's theorem, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi'(t) &\geq \int_{-R}^R \int_{-R}^R J(x-y)(\phi_R(y) - \phi_R(x)) dy u(x) dx + \int_{-R}^R av^p \phi_R dx \\ &= -\lambda_1(B_R)\Phi(t) + \int_{-R}^R av^p \phi_R dx. \end{aligned}$$

By the comparison principle, the solution  $(u, v)$  is also radially decreasing under the assumption that both  $u_0(x)$  and  $v_0(x)$  are radially symmetric and decreasing. We assume that  $a(x)$  achieve its maximum at  $x = 0$ , then let  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ , we can get that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-R}^R av^p \phi_R dx &\geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} av^p \phi_R dx + \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} v^p \phi_R dx \\ &\geq \frac{a(\delta)}{2} v^p(\delta, t) \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \left( \int_{-R}^{-\delta} + \int_{\delta}^R \right) \phi_R dx + \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} v^p \phi_R dx \\ &\geq \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \left( \int_{-R}^{-\delta} + \int_{\delta}^R \right) v^p \phi_R dx + \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} v^p \phi_R dx \\ &\geq \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \int_{-R}^R v^p \phi_R dx, \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

and hence

$$\Phi'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)\Phi(t) + \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \Psi^p(t).$$

Similarly, we can also derive that

$$\Psi'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)\Psi(t) + \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx \Phi^q(t).$$

Consequently, let  $\mu = \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx$ . We have

$$\begin{cases} \Phi'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)\Phi(t) + \mu\Psi^p(t), \\ \Psi'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)\Psi(t) + \mu\Phi^q(t). \end{cases}$$

We assume that  $F(t) = \mu^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}}\Phi(t)$ ,  $G(t) = \mu^{\frac{q+1}{pq-1}}\Psi(t)$ , then we can achieve that

$$\begin{cases} F'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)F(t) + G^p(t), \\ G'(t) \geq -\lambda_1(B_R)G(t) + F^q(t). \end{cases}$$

Without loss of generality, let  $p \geq q$ . We can get from [13] that the solution of (1.1) blows up in finite time if

$$F(0) > A\lambda_1(B_R)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \text{ or } G(0) > B\lambda_1(B_R)^{\frac{q+1}{pq-1}}, \tag{2.2}$$

where and in the following, both  $A$  and  $B$  are constants. If  $R_0 \in (0, R)$ , we can get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru_0\phi_R dx \\ & \geq \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru_0\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) dx \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

with  $\phi_R$  is radially decreasing [6]. Let  $\Gamma$  be the principal eigenfunction to the problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta\Gamma = \mu_1\Gamma, & x \in B_1 = (-1, 1), \\ \Gamma = 0, & x \in \partial B_1 \end{cases}$$

with  $\|\Gamma\|_{B_1} = 1$ . By [14, Theorem 1.5] and [15, Proposition 3.2], we have

$$R\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) \rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{x}{R_0}\right) \text{ in } L^1(B_1) \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty. \tag{2.4}$$

Via Fatou’s lemma with (2.3) and (2.4), letting  $R \rightarrow \infty$  first and then  $R_0 \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\liminf_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru_0\phi_R dx \geq \left(\frac{\delta a(\delta)}{2}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \Gamma^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}}(0) \int_{-R_1}^{R_1} u_0 dx \geq C \tag{2.5}$$

for every  $R_1 > 0$ , where and in the sequel,  $C$  represents positive constants independent of  $R$ . We also know by [14, Theorem 1.5 ] that

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} R^2\lambda_1(B_R) = \mu_1, \tag{2.6}$$

and hence

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (R^2\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq-p-2}{pq-1}} = 0$$

provided  $pq < (pq)_c = 1 + \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$ . This with (2.5) can get that

$$\left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru_0\phi_R dx > (\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}} \tag{2.7}$$

with  $R$  large enough. Namely,

$$\left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \Phi(0) > A\lambda_1(B_R)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}},$$

we can get that  $(u, v)$  blows up in finite time with  $R$  large enough.

Next we will concern the critical case  $pq = (pq)_c = 1 + \max\{p + 1, q + 1\}$ , namely, we will prove that every nontrivial solution of (1.1) must blow-up. Suppose for a contradiction that there exists a nonnegative nontrivial global solution  $(u, v)$  to (1.1), then

$$\left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru(t)\phi_R dx \leq (\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}}$$

for any  $t > 0$  via (2.7). If  $R_0 \in (0, R)$ , we can get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru(t)\phi_R dx \\ & \geq \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru(t)\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $R \rightarrow \infty$  first, and then  $R_0 \rightarrow \infty$ , by Fatou's lemma and (2.4), we can achieve that

$$\liminf_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R \phi_R dx \right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R Ru(t) \phi_R dx \geq \left( \frac{\delta a(\delta)}{2} \right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \Gamma^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}}(0) \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(t) dx.$$

Noticing that

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (R^2 \lambda_1)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq-p-2}{pq-1}} = C > 0,$$

we can get

$$\sup_{t>0} \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(\cdot, t) dx \leq C. \tag{2.8}$$

Take  $\zeta(x) \in \mathcal{D}(B_1)$  and  $\eta(t) \in \mathcal{D}((-1, 1))$  satisfying  $\zeta \equiv 1$  in  $B_{1/2}$ ,  $\eta \equiv 1$  in  $[0, 1/2)$ . Denote

$$\zeta_R(x) = \zeta\left(\frac{x}{R}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \psi_R(t) = \eta^m\left(\frac{t}{R^2}\right), \quad t \geq 0.$$

From [11], we can achieve that

$$|\psi'_R(t)| = |mR^{-2} \eta^{m-1}\left(\frac{t}{R^2}\right) \eta'\left(\frac{t}{R^2}\right)| \leq CR^{-2} \psi^{\frac{1}{q}}_R(t) \mathcal{X}_{\{\frac{1}{2}R^2 \leq t \leq R^2\}}. \tag{2.9}$$

And then we can get that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_t(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t) dx dt &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_0(x) \zeta_R(x) dx - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi'_R(t) dx dt \\ &\leq CR^{-2} \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi^{\frac{1}{q}}_R(t) dx dt - \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_0(x) \zeta_R(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the first equation of (1.1) by  $\zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t)$  and integrating in  $Q$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_p(R) &:= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x) v^p(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t) dx dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_t(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t) dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} (J * u - u)(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t) dx dt \\ &\leq - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi'_R(t) dx dt - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} (J * \zeta_R - \zeta_R)(x) u(x, t) \psi_R(t) dx dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

We can also have from (2.9) that

$$- \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi'_R(t) dx dt \leq CR^{-2} \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u(x, t) dx dt. \tag{2.11}$$

Furthermore, by Taylor's formula,

$$\begin{aligned} (J * \zeta_R - \zeta_R)(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} J(z) \left( \zeta\left(\frac{x+z}{R}\right) - \zeta\left(\frac{x}{R}\right) \right) dz \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} J(z) \left( \frac{z}{R} \zeta_x\left(\frac{x}{R}\right) + \frac{z^2}{2R^2} \zeta_{xx}\left(\frac{x+\theta z}{R}\right) \right) dz, \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ . According to the symmetry of  $J$ , it follows that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} J(z) z dz = 0, \quad A(J) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} J(z) |z|^2 dz > 0.$$

We can have that

$$|(J * \zeta_R - \zeta_R)(x)| = \frac{1}{2R^2} \left| \int_{B_1} J(z) z^2 \zeta_{xx}\left(\frac{x+\theta z}{R}\right) dz \right| \leq CR^{-2} \mathcal{X}_{\{\frac{1}{2}R-1 \leq |x| \leq R+1\}}.$$

Consequently, let  $R$  large enough such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} (J * \zeta_R - \zeta_R)(x) u(x, t) \psi_R(t) dx dt &\leq CR^{-2} \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{2}R-1 \leq |x| \leq R+1} u(x, t) dx dt \\
 &\leq CR^{-2} \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u(x, t) dx dt. \tag{2.12}
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (2.10)–(2.12) and Hölder’s inequality that

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_p(R) &\leq CR^{-2} \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u(x, t) dx dt + \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u(x, t) dx dt \right) \\
 &\leq CR^{2-\frac{4}{q}} \left[ \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u^q(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left( \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u^q(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \\
 &\leq CR^{2-\frac{4}{q}} \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u^q(x, t) dx dt + \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u^q(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \tag{2.13}
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can also derive that

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_q(R) &:= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x) u^q(x, t) \zeta_R(x) \psi_R(t) dx dt \\
 &\leq CR^{2-\frac{4}{p}} \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} v^p(x, t) dx dt + \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} v^p(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \tag{2.14}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thanks to that  $a(x)$  is a compact support containing the origin, combining (2.13) and (2.14), we can achieve that

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_q(R/4) &\leq CR^{2-\frac{4}{p}} (K_p(R))^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &\leq CR^{2-\frac{4}{p}} \left( CR^{2-\frac{4}{q}} \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u^q(x, t) dx dt + \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u^q(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &= C \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}R^2}^{R^2} \int_{|x| \leq R} u^q(x, t) dx dt + \int_0^{R^2} \int_{\frac{1}{4}R \leq |x| \leq 2R} u^q(x, t) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{pq}},
 \end{aligned}$$

this with (2.8) and letting  $R \rightarrow \infty$ , we can have

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}} u^q(x, t) dx = 0,$$

a contradiction.  $\square$

The global existence in the case  $pq > (pq)_c$  can be achieved in Theorem 1.2, we will study it in the next section.

### 3. Second critical curve

In this section, we will prove that the secondary critical curve of system (1.1) is  $\min\{a - a_0, b - b_0\} = 0$ .

**Proof of Theorem 1.2** (i) Assume  $0 < a < a_0$  or  $0 < b < b_0$ , we will prove that the solutions of the system (1.1) blow up in finite time under large initial data. From (2.3)–(2.5), we can also

have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R R\phi_R R^{a-1} u_0 dx \\ & \geq \left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} R\phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \int_{-R}^R R u_0 \phi_R\left(\frac{Rx}{R_0}\right) R^{a-1} dx \\ & \geq \left(\frac{\delta a(\delta)}{2}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \Gamma^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}}(0) \int_{-R_1}^{R_1} u_0 R^{a-1} dx \geq C. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have with (2.6) that

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{\frac{pq+p}{pq-1}+a-1} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (R^2 \lambda_1(B_R))^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} R^{a-\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} = 0,$$

Namely,

$$\left(\frac{a(\delta)}{2} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \phi_R dx\right)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}} \Phi(0) > A \lambda_1(B_R)^{\frac{p+1}{pq-1}},$$

this with (2.2) can get that the solution of system (1.1) blows up in finite time.

(ii) Next, assume  $a_0 < a < 1$  and  $b_0 < b < 1$  with  $u_0 = \lambda\psi \in \mathbb{I}^a$ ,  $v_0 = \mu\varphi \in \mathbb{I}^b$ . We will achieve global mild solutions if  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are small enough. Choose  $\bar{a} \in (a_0, a)$ ,  $\bar{b} \in (b_0, b)$  satisfying

$$\bar{a}q - 2 > \bar{b}, \quad \bar{b}p - 2 > \bar{a},$$

and set the Banach space

$$X = \{(u, v) \mid \|(u, v)\|_X \leq \varepsilon\},$$

with

$$\|(u, v)\|_X := \sup_{t \in (0, \infty)} \{(1+t)^{\frac{\bar{a}}{2}} \|u(t)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R})} + (1+t)^{\frac{\bar{b}}{2}} \|v(t)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R})}\}.$$

Then set the operator  $\mathcal{M}[(u, v)] := (\mathcal{M}_1[(u, v)], \mathcal{M}_2[(u, v)])$  with

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{M}_1[(u, v)(x, t)] := e^{-t}u_0 + W(x, t) * u_0 + \int_0^t e^{-(t-s)} av^p ds + \int_0^t W(x, t-s) * av^p ds, \\ \mathcal{M}_2[(u, v)(x, t)] := e^{-t}v_0 + W(x, t) * v_0 + \int_0^t e^{-(t-s)} au^q ds + \int_0^t W(x, t-s) * au^q ds, \end{cases}$$

where

$$W(x, t) = e^{-t} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} J^{*n}(x).$$

Obviously, we can achieve for  $(u, v) \in X$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{M}_1[(u, v)](x, t)\| & \leq e^{-t} \|u_0\|_\infty + \left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}} W(x-y, t) u_0 dy \right\|_\infty + \\ & \int_0^t e^{-(t-s)} \|av^p(s)\|_\infty ds + \int_0^t \left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}} W(x-y, t-s) av^p dy \right\|_\infty ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

By [16, Proposition 1],

$$\left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}} W(x-y, t) u_0 dy \right\|_\infty \leq C(1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{a}}{2}} (\|u_0\|_\infty + \|u_0\|_{\bar{a}, \infty}) \tag{3.2}$$

with  $\|u_0\|_{\bar{a},\infty} = \limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^{\bar{a}} u_0(x)$ . Consequently,

$$\int_0^t e^{-(t-s)} \|av(s)\|_{\infty}^p ds \leq C e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \|(u, v)\|_X^p + C(1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{a}p}{2}} \int_{\frac{t}{2}}^t e^{-(t-s)} ds \|(u, v)\|_X^p. \tag{3.3}$$

Noticing  $\|W\|_1 \leq 1$ ,  $\|W\|_{\infty} \leq Ct^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  (see [17]), by Young's inequality with convolution, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}} W(x-y, t-s) av^p dy \right\|_{\infty} ds &\leq \int_0^t \|v^p\|_{\infty} \left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}} W(x-y, t-s) a(y) dy \right\|_{\infty} ds \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^{\frac{t}{2}} + \int_{\frac{t}{2}}^t \right) (1+s)^{-\frac{\bar{a}p}{2}} (1+t-s)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds \|(u, v)\|_X^p \\ &\leq C((1+t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + (1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{a}p+1}{2}}) \|(u, v)\|_X^p \\ &\leq C((1+t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + (1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{a}p+1}{2}}) \varepsilon^p. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

It follows from (3.1)–(3.4) with  $\bar{a} > a_0 = \frac{p+1}{pq-1}$  that

$$\|\mathcal{M}_1(u, v)\|_{\infty} \leq C(1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{a}}{2}} (\|u_0\|_{\infty} + \|u_0\|_{\bar{a},\infty} + \varepsilon^p),$$

similarly, we can also derive that

$$\|\mathcal{M}_2(u, v)\|_{\infty} \leq C(1+t)^{-\frac{\bar{b}}{2}} (\|v_0\|_{\infty} + \|v_0\|_{\bar{b},\infty} + \varepsilon^q).$$

Consequently,

$$\|\mathcal{M}(u, v)\|_{\infty} \leq C(\|u_0\|_{\infty} + \|u_0\|_{\bar{a},\infty} + \|v_0\|_{\infty} + \|v_0\|_{\bar{b},\infty} + \varepsilon^p + \varepsilon^q).$$

Take  $\lambda$ ,  $\tau$  and  $\varepsilon$  small enough such that  $\mathcal{M}$  maps  $X$  into itself. Furthermore, by standard method, it can be achieved that  $\mathcal{M}$  is a strict contraction with  $\varepsilon$  very small, which ensures  $(u, v)$  is a mild solution to the Cauchy problem (1.1).  $\square$

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