

On the Hénon-Lane-Emden conjecture

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We consider Liouville-type theorems for the following Hénon-Lane-Emden system

$$-\Delta u = |x|^a v^p \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^N,$$

$-\Delta v = |x|^b u^q \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^N$, when $p, q > 1$, $p, q, a, b \geq 0$. The main conjecture states that there is no non-trivial non-negative solution whenever (p, q) is under the critical Sobolev hyperbola, i.e. $\frac{N+a}{p+1} + \frac{N+b}{q+1} > N-2$.

We show that this is indeed the case in dimension $N=3$ provided the solution is also assumed to be bounded, extending a result established recently by Phan-Souplet in the scalar case.

Assuming stability of the solutions, we could then prove Liouville-type theorems in higher dimensions.

For the scalar cases, albeit of second order ($a=b$ and $p=q$) or of fourth order ($a \geq 0=b$ and $p > 1=q$), we show that for all dimensions $N \geq 3$ in the first case (resp., $N \geq 5$ in the second case), there is no positive solution with a finite Morse index, whenever p is below the corresponding critical exponent, i.e. $1 < p < \frac{N+2+2a}{N-2}$ (resp., $1 < p < \frac{N+4+2a}{N-4}$). Finally, we show that non-negative stable solutions of the full Hénon-Lane-Emden system are trivial provided

$$N < 2 + 2 \left(\frac{p(b+2)+a+2}{pq-1} \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{pq(q+1)}{p+1}} + \sqrt{\frac{pq(q+1)}{p+1}} - \sqrt{\frac{pq}{(q+1)(p+1)}} \right).$$

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