

On the Existence of Vanishing at Infinity Solutions to a Second Order Differential Equation with Hyperbolic Nonlinearity

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For the differential equation

$$y''(x) = p(x)y(x)^{-\lambda}, \quad (1)$$

where $\lambda > 0$, and p is a positive continuous on $(-\infty; +\infty)$ function satisfying

$$\int_{x_0}^{\infty} xp(x)dx < \infty, \quad (2)$$

sufficient conditions are given for the existence of vanishing at infinity positive solutions to equation (1).

Theorem 1. *Suppose q is a C^2 function tending to 0 as $x \rightarrow \infty$, and for any $\beta > 0$ the function q^β has a monotone derivative. Then equation (1) with $\lambda > 0$ and $p = q''$ has a solution tending to 0 as $x \rightarrow \infty$.*

Theorem 1 contains a partial solution to the problem set by I.T. Kiguradze.