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## NONLINEAR UNILATERAL PARABOLIC PROBLEMS IN MUSIELAK–ORLICZ SPACES WITH $L^1$ DATA

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ABSTRACT. We study, in Musielak–Orlicz spaces, the existence of solutions for some strongly nonlinear parabolic unilateral problem with  $L^1$  data and without sign condition on nonlinearity.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain of  $\mathbb{R}^N$   $(N \geq 2)$  and let  $Q = \Omega \times (0, T)$ , T > 0. Consider the following nonlinear parabolic problem:

(1.1) 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + A(u) + g(x, t, u, \nabla u) = f & \text{in Q,} \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) & \text{in } \Omega, \end{cases}$$

where  $A(u) = -\operatorname{div} a(x,t,u,\nabla u)$  is a Leray–Lions operator defined on  $D(A) \subset W_0^{1,x}L_{\varphi}(\mathbf{Q}) \to W^{-1,x}L_{\overline{\varphi}}(\mathbf{Q})$  with  $\varphi$  and  $\overline{\varphi}$  two complementary Musielak–Orlicz functions, and g is a nonlinearity satisfying the growth condition

$$|q(x,t,s,\xi)| < c'(x,t) + b(s)\varphi(x,|\xi|),$$

where  $b: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^+$  is a continuous nondecreasing function in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and  $c'(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a given nonnegative function in  $L^1(\mathbb{Q})$ .

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