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Positive, Extremal and Nodal Solutions for Nonlinear Parametric Problems

We consider a nonlinear parametric problem driven by the *p*-Laplace differential operator. For all large enough values of the parameter λ , we show that the problem has a smallest positive solution $u_{\lambda}^* \in C_0^1(\overline{\Omega})$. We examine the monotonicity and continuity properties of the map $\lambda \longmapsto u_{\lambda}^*$. Finally we establish the existence of nodal (sign changing) solutions.

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