

4. 
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + aw + bw^m$$
.

 $1^{\circ}$ . Traveling-wave solutions (the signs are chosen arbitrarily):

$$w(x,t) = \left[\pm \beta + C \exp(\lambda t \pm \mu x)\right]^{\frac{2}{1-m}},$$

where C is an arbitrary constant and  $\beta = \sqrt{-\frac{b}{a}}, \ \lambda = \frac{a(1-m)(m+3)}{2(m+1)}, \ \mu = \sqrt{\frac{a(1-m)^2}{2(m+1)}}.$ 

 $2^{\circ}$ . For a=0, there is a self-similar solution of the form  $w(x,t)=t^{1/(1-m)}U(z)$ , where  $z=xt^{-1/2}$ .

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