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Jaffar Ali, Mythily Ramaswamy and Ratnasingham Shivaji* (shivaji@ra.msstate.edu), Department of Mathematics, P.O.Drawer MA, Mississippi State, MS 39762. *Multiple positive* solutions for classes of elliptic systems with combined nonlinear effects.

We study the existence of multiple positive solutions to systems of the form

 $-\Delta u = \lambda f(v), \Omega,$ $-\Delta v = \lambda g(u), \Omega,$ $u = 0 = v, \partial \Omega.$

Here Δ is the Laplacian operator, λ is a positive parameter, Ω is a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^n with smooth boundary and f, g belongs to a class of positive functions that have a combined sublinear effect at ∞ . Our results also easily extend to the corresponding p-Laplacian systems. We prove our results by the method of sub and super solutions.

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