

Characteristic Equation

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The characteristic equation will look like the following:

$$\frac{e^{(\lambda t + \frac{v}{2D})} \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}}{2D}\right)(v^2 + 2D^2)}{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}} - \frac{v\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)} \left(Re^{(\frac{v}{D})} - \cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}}{2D}\right) \right)}{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}} = 0 \quad (1)$$

The denominator is the same on both sides. Therefore, we solve for the numerators first to obtain a potential solution:

$$e^{(\lambda t + \frac{v}{2D})} \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}}{2D}\right)(v^2 + 2D^2) - v\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)} \left(Re^{(\frac{v}{D})} - \cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{v^2 - 4D(k-\lambda)}}{2D}\right) \right) = 0 \quad (2)$$

and then check the following:

1. The denominator does not go to zero close to the obtained solution. In this case, the potential solution is a solution for the original equation.
2. The denominator goes to zero close to the obtained solution. In this case, the following must be checked:

$$e^{(\lambda t + \frac{v}{2D})} (D + 2(k-\lambda)) - v \left(Re^{(\frac{v}{D})} - 1 \right) = 0 \quad (3)$$

which is the $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \frac{N(\lambda)}{D(\lambda)}$, where λ_0 is the potential solution. λ_0 is the solution to the original equation only if the above expression holds true.