Derivation of steady-state solution for $D(x_s)$ $(n \le 4)$

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The steady state solutions are given by

$$L_n T_n + \delta_{0n} A = Q H_n \tag{1}$$

where $L_n = n(n+1)D + B$ and

$$H_n = H_n(x_s) = (2n+1) \int_0^1 P_n(x) a(x, x_s) S(x) dx \equiv (2n+1) J_n(x_s).$$
 (2)

Rearranging (1) and multiplying by $P_n(x)$:

$$T_n P_n = \frac{QH_n - \delta_{0n}A}{L_n} P_n(x) \tag{3}$$

$$\implies T(x) = \sum_{n \text{ even}} T_n P_n(x) = \sum_{n \text{ even}} \frac{QH_n - \delta_{0n}A}{L_n} P_n(x) = \sum_{n \text{ even}} \frac{QH_n P_n(x)}{L_n} - \frac{A}{B}. \tag{4}$$

Truncating at n = 4:

$$T(x) = Q\left(\frac{H_0 P_0(x)}{L_0} + \frac{H_2 P_2(x)}{L_2} + \frac{H_4 P_4(x)}{L_4}\right) - \frac{A}{B}$$
$$= Q\left(\frac{J_0}{B} + \frac{5J_2 P_2(x)}{6D + B} + \frac{9J_4 P_4}{20D + B}\right) - \frac{A}{B}$$

Evaluating at $x = x_s$:

$$T_s = Q \frac{J_0(6D+B)(20D+B) + 5J_2P_2B(20D+B) + 9J_4P_4B(6D+B)}{B(6D+B)(20D+B)} - \frac{A}{B}$$

where $P_m = P_m(x_s)$ and $J_m = J_m(x_s)$ is implied. Rearranging gives

$$\frac{A + BT_s}{Q}(20D + B)(6D + B) = J_0(6D + B)(20D + B) + 5J_2P_2B(20D + B) + 9J_4P_4B(6D + B),$$

which is a quadratic in D. Using $(20D+B)(6D+B) \equiv 120D^2+26BD+B^2$ and collecting terms with common factors of D^2 , D and D^0 :

$$120\left(\frac{A+BT_s}{Q}-J_0\right)D^2 + \left(\frac{26B(A+BT_s)}{Q} - 26BJ_0 - 100BJ_2P_2 - 54BJ_4P_4\right)D + \dots + \left(\frac{B^2(A+BT_s)}{Q} - B^2J_0 - 5B^2J_2P_2 - 9B^2J_4P_4\right) = 0$$

This gives the solution for $D(x_s)$ as

$$D(x_s) = \frac{-\beta \pm \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha\gamma}}{2\alpha},\tag{5}$$

where

$$\alpha = 120 \left(\frac{A + BT_s}{Q} - J_0 \right)$$

$$\beta = 2B \left(13 \left(\frac{A + BT_s}{Q} - J_0 \right) - 50J_2P_2 - 27J_4P_4 \right)$$

$$\gamma = B^2 \left(\frac{A + BT_s}{Q} - J_0 - 5J_2P_2 - 9J_4P_4 \right).$$