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# Propagation reversal for bistable differential equations on trees

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We study traveling wave solutions to the bistable differential equations on infinite  $k$ -ary trees in the form

$$\dot{u}_i = d(ku_{i+1} - (k+1)u_i + u_{i-1}) + g(u_i; a),$$

in which  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $d > 0$  and  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a bistable nonlinearity of the Nagumo type, e.g.,

$$g(s; a) = s(1-s)(s-a), \quad a \in (0, 1).$$

In this talk, we discuss how comparison principles and construction of explicit lower and upper solution can be used to obtain information about the dependence of the wave speed  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  on the parameters  $a, d, k$ .

In particular, we show that for certain range of the detuning parameter  $a$  the changes to the diffusion parameter  $d$  lead to a reversal of the propagation direction.

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