

## OSCILLATION THEORY FOR IMPULSIVE PARTIAL DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we consider impulsive partial difference equation with continuous variables of the form

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 z(x+a, y+b) + p_2 z(x+a, y) + p_3 z(x, y+b) - p_4 z(x, y) \\ + P(x, y)z(x-\tau, y) + Q(x, y)z(x, y-\sigma) \\ + R(x, y)z(x-\tau, y-\sigma) = 0, \quad (x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \setminus J, \\ z(x_n^+, y) - z(x_n^-, y) = L_n z(x_n^-, y), \quad (x_n, y) \in J. \end{aligned}$$

Sufficient conditions for all solutions of this equation to be oscillatory are established.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Partial difference equations arise in applications involving population dynamics with spatial migrations, chemical reactions, mathematical physics, as well as finite difference schemes [1, 8, 10, 12]. The qualitative theory of partial difference equations has received much attention in the past few years (see the survey paper [13] and the references cited therein). In particular, oscillation of partial difference equations with continuous variables has been investigated in the papers [2, 7, 14–16]. On the other hand, impulsive differential equations appear as a natural description of observed evolution phenomena of several real world problems [9,11]. But, only a few papers have been published on the oscillation of impulsive partial differential-difference equations [3–6]. The purpose of this paper is to establish sufficient conditions for the oscillation

of solutions of a certain impulsive partial difference equation with continuous variables. We note that our results generalize some known theorems for partial difference equation to impulsive partial difference equations [2, 7].

Let  $0 < x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < x_{n+1} < \dots$  be fixed points with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \infty$ . Define  $J_{imp} = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \mathbb{R}^+ = [0, \infty), J = \{(x, y) : x \in J_{imp}, y \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ . In this paper we shall consider the following impulsive partial difference equation with continuous variables

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 z(x+a, y+b) + p_2 z(x+a, y) + p_3 z(x, y+b) - p_4 z(x, y) \\ + P(x, y)z(x-\tau, y) + Q(x, y)z(x, y-\sigma) \\ + R(x, y)z(x-\tau, y-\sigma) = 0, \quad (x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \setminus J, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$z(x_n^+, y) - z(x_n^-, y) = L_n z(x_n^-, y), \quad (x_n, y) \in J, \quad (2)$$

where  $z(x_n^+, y) = \lim_{(q,s) \rightarrow (x_n, y) \atop q > x_n} z(q, s), z(x_n^-, y) = \lim_{(q,s) \rightarrow (x_n, y) \atop q < x_n} z(q, s)$ .

In what follows, we shall assume that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $p_1 \geq 0, p_2, p_3 \geq p_4 > 0$  are real constants,  $P, Q, R \in C(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{0\})$ ,
- (ii)  $\{L_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + L_n) = L < \infty$ ,
- (iii)

$$U(x, y) = \min \{P(s, t) : x \leq s \leq x+a, y \leq t \leq y+b\},$$

$$V(x, y) = \min \{Q(s, t) : x \leq s \leq x+a, y \leq t \leq y+b\},$$

$$W(x, y) = \min \{R(s, t) : x \leq s \leq x+a, y \leq t \leq y+b\},$$

$$F(x, y) = \min \{U(x, y), V(x, y), W(x, y)\},$$

and  $0 < \limsup_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y) < \infty$ .

**Definition 1.** A function  $z : [-\tau, \infty) \times [-\sigma, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called a solution of (1)–(2) if

- (a) for  $(x, y) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+) \setminus J$ ,  $z$  is continuous and satisfies (1),
- (b) for  $(x, y) \in J$ ,  $z(x^+, y)$  and  $z(x^-, y)$  exist,  $z(x^-, y) = z(x, y)$ , and satisfy (2).

**Definition 2.** A solution  $z(x, y)$  of (1)–(2) said to be eventually positive if  $z(x, y) > 0$  for all large  $x$  and  $y$ , eventually negative if  $z(x, y) < 0$  for all large  $x$  and  $y$ . It is said to be oscillatory if it is neither eventually positive nor eventually negative.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

For  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$ , define a set  $E$  by

$$E = \left\{ \lambda > 0 : p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x, y) > 0, \text{ eventually} \right\}. \quad (3)$$

Here, the symbol  $\prod_{x_0 < x_m < u} a_m$  denotes the product of the members of the sequence  $\{a_m\}$  over  $m$  such that  $x_m \in (x_0, u) \cap J_{imp}$ . If  $(x_0, u) \cap J_{imp} = \emptyset$ , or  $x_0 \geq u$ , then we assume that  $\prod_{x_0 < x_m < u} a_m = 1$ . Let  $\tau = ka + \theta$ ,  $\sigma = lb + \eta$ , where  $k, l$  are nonnegative integers,  $a > 0, b > 0$  are real numbers, and  $\theta \in [0, a)$ ,  $\eta \in [0, b)$ . The proof of the following Lemmas 1 and 2 is similar to that of Lemma 1 in [3], and hence we omit the details.

**Lemma 1.** Assume that  $z(x, y)$  be an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2). Define

$$w(x, y) = \int_x^{x+a} \int_y^{y+b} \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < u} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) z(u, v) dv du, \quad (4)$$

then  $w(x, y) > 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \leq 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \leq 0$  for all large  $x$  and  $y$ .

**Lemma 2.** Assume that  $z(x, y)$  be an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2). Then  $w(x, y)$  defined in (4) is an eventually positive solution of the following difference inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) \\ & - p_4 \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x, y) \\ & + U(x, y)w(x - \tau, y) + V(x, y)w(x, y - \sigma) \\ & + W(x, y)w(x - \tau, y - \sigma) \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} & p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) \\ & - p_4 \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x, y) \\ & + U(x, y)w(x - ka, y) + V(x, y)w(x, y - lb) \\ & + W(x, y)w(x - ka, y - lb) \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

**Lemma 3.** Let  $a = b$ . Assume that Eq. (1)–(2) have an eventually positive solution. Then for  $Y \geq y_0$ , inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) u(x) \\ & - \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m) - \inf_{y \geq Y} U(x - a, y - a) \right) u(x - a) \leq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

and

$$\left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) u(x)$$

$$-\left(p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m) - \inf_{y \geq Y} V(x - a, y - a)\right) u(x - a) \leq 0 \quad (8)$$

have eventually positive solutions.

**Proof.** Let  $z(x, y)$  be an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2). Then by Lemma 2, for  $a = b$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 w(x + a, y + a) + p_2 w(x + a, y) + p_3 w(x, y + a) \\ - p_4 \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x, y) \\ + U(x, y)w(x - \tau, y) + V(x, y)w(x, y - \sigma) \\ + W(x, y)w(x - \tau, y - \sigma) \leq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

has an eventually positive solution. This inequality implies that

$$p_2 w(x + a, y) < p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) w(x, y)$$

and

$$p_3 w(x, y + a) < p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) w(x, y),$$

i.e.,

$$p_2 w(x, y) < p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m) w(x - a, y)$$

and

$$p_3 w(x, y) < p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) w(x, y - a).$$

Using above inequalities in (9) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) w(x, y) \\ & - p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m) w(x - a, y - a) \\ & + U(x - a, y - a)w(x - \tau - a, y - a) \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Let

$$u(x) = \int_{x-a}^x w(x, y) dy.$$

Integrating (10) with respect to  $y$  from  $x - a$  to  $x$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) u(x) \\ & - p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m) u(x - a) + \inf_{y \geq Y} U(x - a, y - a) u(x - a) \leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

eventually. So,  $u(x)$  is a positive solution of (7). Similarly it can be shown that  $u(x)$  is a positive solution of (8).  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** Let  $a = b$ . Assume that Eq. (1)–(2) have an eventually positive solution. Then for  $Y \geq y_0$ , inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) u(x) - p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m)u(x-a) \\ & + \inf_{y \geq Y} W(x-a, y-a)u(x-\sigma-a) \leq 0, \quad \text{if } \tau \geq \sigma > 0, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) u(x) - p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m)u(x-a) \\ & + \inf_{y \geq Y} W(x-a, y-a)u(x-\tau-a) \leq 0, \quad \text{if } \sigma \geq \tau > 0, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

have eventually positive solutions.

We shall now prove the following two results which modify Theorems 1 and 3 in [3] respectively.

**Theorem 1.** Assume that there exist  $X \geq x_0$ ,  $Y \geq y_0$  such that if  $k > l > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\lambda \in E, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \left\{ \lambda \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ & \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \\ & \times \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(l+j-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x-(l+j)a, y-lb) \right) \Big\} \\ & < p_2^{k-l}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

and if  $l > k > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\lambda \in E, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \left\{ \lambda \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ & \times \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \\ & \times \prod_{j=1}^{l-k} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(k+j-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x-ka, y-(k+j)b) \right) \Big\} \\ & < p_3^{l-k}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Proof.** Suppose, to the contrary, that there is a nonoscillatory solution of (1)–(2). Without loss of generality we may assume that  $z(x, y)$  is an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2). Let  $w(x, y)$  be defined as in Lemma 1. We now define a subset  $S(\lambda)$  of the positive numbers as follows:

$$S(\lambda) = \left\{ \lambda > 0 : p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) - \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x, y) \right) w(x, y) \leq 0, \text{ eventually} \right\}.$$

Since  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \leq 0$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \leq 0$ , from (6) we obtain

$$p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) - \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - F(x, y) \right) w(x, y) \leq 0$$

which implies that  $1 \in S(\lambda)$ . Hence  $S(\lambda)$  is nonempty. For  $\lambda \in S(\lambda)$ , we eventually have

$$p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda F(x, y) > 0$$

and therefore  $S(\lambda) \subset E$ . Since in view of conditions (i)–(iii),  $E$  is bounded, we find that  $S(\lambda)$  is bounded. Now from (6), we have

$$p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) < p_4 \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x, y),$$

and hence,

$$\begin{aligned} w(x+a, y+b) &\leq \frac{p_4}{p_2} \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x, y+b), \\ w(x+a, y+b) &\leq \frac{p_4}{p_3} \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+2a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x+a, y). \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Let  $\mu \in S(\lambda)$ . Then using (15), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+2a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) w(x+a, y+b) \\ &\leq p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) \\ &\leq \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x, y) \right) w(x, y). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

*Case 1:* If  $k > l > 0$ , then from (16), we have

$$w(x, y) \leq \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ia, y - ib) \right) \\ & \times w(x - la, y - lb) \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} w(x - la, y - lb) & \leq \frac{1}{p_2} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - la} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - la - a, y - lb) \right) \\ & \quad \times w(x - la - a, y - lb) \\ & \leq \dots \leq p_2^{l-k} \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (l+j-1)a} (1 + L_m) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \mu F(x - (l+j)a, y - lb) \right) w(x - ka, y - lb). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Hence, substituting (18) into (17), we get

$$\begin{aligned} w(x, y) & \leq p_2^{l-k} \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \\ & \quad \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ia, y - ib) \right) \\ & \quad \times \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (l+j-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - (l+j)a, y - lb) \right) \\ & \quad \times w(x - ka, y - lb). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

On the other hand, from (15) we have

$$w(x, y) \leq \left( \frac{p_4}{p_2} \right)^k \prod_{i=1}^k \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m) \right) w(x - ka, y), \quad (20)$$

and

$$w(x, y) \leq \left( \frac{p_4}{p_3} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right)^l w(x, y - lb). \quad (21)$$

Using (19), (20) and (21), from (6) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & p_1 w(x + a, y + b) + p_2 w(x + a, y) + p_3 w(x, y + b) \\ & - \left\{ p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - F(x, y) \left[ \left( \frac{p_2}{p_4} \right)^k \left( \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \left( \frac{p_3}{p_4} \right)^l \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-l} \right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + p_2^{k-l} \left[ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\
& \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \\
& \times \left. \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(l+j-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-(l+j)a, y-lb) \right) \right]^{-1} \Bigg] \Bigg\} \\
& \times w(x, y) \leq 0,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{p_2}{p_4} \right)^k \left( \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) \right)^{-1} + \left( \frac{p_3}{p_4} \right)^l \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1+L_m)^l \right)^{-1} \\
& + p_2^{k-l} \left[ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\
& \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \\
& \left. \times \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(l+j-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-(l+j)a, y-lb) \right) \right]^{-1} \in S(\lambda).
\end{aligned}$$

If  $\lambda_1 \in S(\lambda)$ , then  $\lambda_2 \leq \lambda_1$  implies  $\lambda_2 \in S(\lambda)$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned}
& p_2^{k-l} \left[ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\
& \times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \\
& \left. \times \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(l+j-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-(l+j)a, y-lb) \right) \right]^{-1} \in S(\lambda). \quad (22)
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand (13) implies that there exists  $\alpha_1 \in (0, 1)$  such that when  $\lambda = \mu$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1} \leq p_2^{k-l} \left\{ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\
\times \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\times \prod_{j=1}^{k-l} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (l+j-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - (l+j)a, y - lb) \right) \right\}^{-1}. \quad (23)$$

Hence, it follows from (22)–(23) that  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1} \in S(\lambda)$ . Repeating the above arguments with  $\mu$  replaced by  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1}$ , we get  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \in S(\lambda)$ , where  $\alpha_2 \in (0, 1)$ . Continuing in this way, we obtain  $\frac{\mu}{\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i} \in S(\lambda)$ , where  $\alpha_i \in (0, 1)$ . This contradicts the boundedness of  $S(\lambda)$ .

*Case 2.* If  $l > k > 0$ , then from (16) we have

$$\begin{aligned} w(x, y) &\leq p_3^{k-l} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ia, y - ib) \right) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{j=1}^{l-k} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (k-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ka, y - (k+j)b) \right) \\ &\quad \times w(x - ka, y - lb). \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Using (20), (21) and (24), from (6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &p_1 w(x + a, y + b) + p_2 w(x + a, y) + p_3 w(x, y + b) \\ &- \left\{ p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - F(x, y) \left[ \left( \frac{p_2}{p_4} \right)^k \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right. \right. \\ &+ \left( \frac{p_3}{p_4} \right)^l \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m)^{-l} \\ &+ p_3^{l-k} \left[ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2 p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-2)a} (1 + L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ &\times \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ia, y - ib) \right) \\ &\times \left. \left. \left. \left. \prod_{j=1}^{l-k} \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x - (k-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu F(x - ka, y - (k+j)b) \right) \right]^{-1} \right] \right\} \\ &\times w(x, y) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of Case 1, and hence omitted. Analogously, if  $z(x, y)$  is an eventually negative solution of (1)–(2), then also we get a contradiction.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** Assume that there exist  $X \geq x_0$ ,  $Y \geq y_0$  such that if  $k = l > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\lambda \in E, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \lambda \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \\ & \times \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \lambda F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) < 1. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Proof.** Suppose, to the contrary, that there is a nonoscillatory solution of (1)–(2). Without loss of generality we may assume that  $z(x, y)$  is an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2). Let  $\mu \in S(\lambda)$ . Then from (15) and (16) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{p_2}{p_4} \right)^k \prod_{i=1}^k \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right) w(x, y) \leq w(x-ka, y), \\ & \left( \frac{p_3}{p_4} \right)^k \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^k w(x, y) \leq w(x, y-kb), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ & \times \left. \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \right]^{-1} w(x, y) \\ & \leq w(x-ka, y-kb). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting above inequalities in (6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) \\ & - \left\{ p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1+L_m) - F(x, y) \left[ \left( \frac{p_2}{p_4} \right)^k \prod_{i=1}^k \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right) \right. \right. \\ & + \left( \frac{p_3}{p_4} \right)^k \left( \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^k \\ & + \left. \left[ \sup_{x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4} \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-2)a} (1+L_m)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right. \right. \\ & \times \left. \left. \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1+L_m) - \mu F(x-ia, y-ib) \right) \right]^{-1} \right\} \\ & \times w(x, y) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 1, and hence omitted.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** Assume that if  $k > l > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} F(x,y) = q > \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4L} \right)^{-l} \frac{k^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}} (p_4L)^{k+1} p_2^{l-k}, \quad (26)$$

if  $l > k > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} F(x,y) = q > \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4L} \right)^{-k} \frac{l^l}{(l+1)^{l+1}} (p_4L)^{l+1} p_3^{k-l}, \quad (27)$$

and if  $k = l > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} F(x,y) = q > \left( p_1 + \frac{2p_2p_3}{p_4L} \right)^{-k} \frac{k^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}} (p_4L)^{k+1}. \quad (28)$$

Then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Proof.** We note that

$$\max_{0 < \lambda < p_4L/q} \lambda(p_4L - \lambda q)^k = \frac{(p_4L)^{k+1}}{q} \frac{k^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}}.$$

Hence, (26), (27) and (28) imply (13), (14) and (25) respectively. Thus, by Theorems 1 and 2, every solution of (1)–(2) oscillates.

The following theorems extend the results established in [7].

**Theorem 3.** Let  $0 < \limsup_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} U(x,y) < \infty$ . Assume that there exist  $X \geq x_0$ ,  $Y \geq y_0$  such that

$$\sup_{\lambda \in E_U, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \lambda \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda U(x-ia, y) \right) < p_2^k, \quad (29)$$

where

$$E_U = \left\{ \lambda > 0 : p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda U(x, y) > 0, \text{ eventually} \right\}.$$

Then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Proof.** Suppose, to the contrary,  $z(x,y)$  is an eventually positive solution of (1)–(2).

Let  $w(x,y)$  be as in Lemma 1. Then from (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3(x, y+b) \\ & - p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) w(x, y) + U(x, y) w(x-ka, y) \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} S_U(\lambda) = & \left\{ \lambda > 0 : p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3(x, y+b) \right. \\ & \left. - \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda U(x, y) \right) w(x, y) \leq 0, \text{ eventually} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

It can be seen that  $S_U(\lambda) \subset E_U$  is not empty and  $E_U$  is bounded. Let  $\mu \in S_U(\lambda)$ . Then we have

$$p_2 w(x+a, y) < \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \mu U(x, y) \right) w(x, y)$$

and

$$p_2^k w(x, y) < \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu U(x-ia, y) \right) w(x-ka, y).$$

From (30) and the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 w(x+a, y+b) + p_2 w(x+a, y) + p_3 w(x, y+b) - \left\{ p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) \right. \\ - U(x, y) p_2^k \left[ \sup_{\lambda \in E_U, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu U(x-ia, y) \right) \right]^{-1} \left. \right\} \\ \times w(x, y) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$p_2^k \left[ \sup_{\lambda \in E_U, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu U(x-ia, y) \right) \right]^{-1} \in S_U(\lambda). \quad (31)$$

On the other hand, from (29) there exists  $\alpha_1 \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\sup_{\lambda \in E_U, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \lambda \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda U(x-ia, y) \right) \leq p_2^k \alpha_1.$$

Hence, when  $\lambda = \mu$ , we have

$$\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1} \leq p_2^k \left[ \sup_{\lambda \in E_U, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x-(i-1)a} (1 + L_m) - \mu U(x-ia, y) \right) \right]^{-1}.$$

Considering above inequality with (31), we get  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1} \in S_U(\lambda)$ . Repeating the above arguments with  $\mu$  replaced by  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1}$ , it follows that there exists  $\alpha_2 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\frac{\mu}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \in S_U(\lambda)$ . Continuing in this way, we obtain  $\frac{\mu}{\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i} \in S_U(\lambda)$ ,  $\alpha_i \in (0, 1)$ . This contradicts the boundedness of  $S_U(\lambda)$ . Similarly, if  $z(x, y)$  is an eventually negative solution of (1)–(2), then get a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** If

$$\liminf_{x, y \rightarrow \infty} U(x, y) = q > (p_4 L)^{k+1} \frac{k^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}} p_2^{-k},$$

then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $0 < \limsup_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} V(x,y) < \infty$ . Assume that there exist  $X \geq x_0$ ,  $Y \geq y_0$  such that

$$\sup_{\lambda \in E_V, x \geq X, y \geq Y} \lambda \prod_{i=1}^l \left( p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda V(x, y - ib) \right) < p_3^l, \quad (32)$$

where

$$E_V = \left\{ \lambda > 0 : p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x+a} (1 + L_m) - \lambda V(x, y) > 0, \text{ eventually} \right\}.$$

Then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

The proof of Theorem 4 is similar to that of Theorem 3, and hence omitted.

**Corollary 3.** If

$$\liminf_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} V(x,y) = q > (p_4 L)^{l+1} \frac{l^l}{(l+1)^{l+1}} p_3^{-l},$$

then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $a = b$ . If there exists  $Y \geq y_0$  such that one of the following hypotheses hold:

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \inf_{y \geq Y} U(x-a, y-a) \right\} > p_4 L, \quad (33)$$

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \inf_{y \geq Y} V(x-a, y-a) \right\} > p_4 L, \quad (34)$$

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \inf_{y \geq Y} W(x-a, y-a) \right\} > p_4 L, \quad (35)$$

then every solution of (1)–(2) is oscillatory.

**Proof.** Let  $z(x, y)$  be a positive solution of (1)–(2). If  $a = b$ , then from (7) we get

$$\inf_{y \geq Y} U(x-a, y-a) < p_4 \prod_{x_0 < x_m < x} (1 + L_m), \text{ eventually.}$$

This inequality implies that

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \inf_{y \geq Y} U(x-a, y-a) \right\} \leq p_4 L,$$

which contradicts (33). If (34) holds, the proof is similar and we omit it. For the last case, we note that  $u'(x) \leq 0$ , since  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \leq 0$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \leq 0$ . So,  $u(x-\sigma-a) \geq u(x-a)$  and  $u(x-\tau-a) \geq u(x-a)$ . The rest of the proof is similar to the first case. If  $z(x, y)$  is an eventually negative solution of (1)–(2), then get a similar contradiction.  $\square$

**Example 1.** Consider the impulsive partial difference equation with continuous variables

$$\begin{aligned} z(x+1, y+2) + ez(x+1, y) + z(x, y+2) - z(x, y) + z(x-3, y) \\ + (e^5 + e^2 + 1)z(x, y-2) \\ + (e^3 - e^2)z(x-3, y-2) = 0, \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus J, \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

$$z(x_n^+, y) - z(x_n^-, y) = \frac{1}{2^n} z(x_n^-, y), \quad (x_n, y) \in J, \quad (37)$$

where  $J = \{(x, y) : x \in J_{imp}, y \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ ,  $J_{imp} = \{3n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ . It can be seen that Eq. (36)–(37) satisfy all conditions of Corollary 3. So, every solution of (36)–(37) is oscillatory. Indeed,  $z(x, y) = \left( \prod_{0 < x_m < x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^m}\right) \right) e^{x+y} \cos \pi x$  is such a solution.

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