

# Oscillatory and Nonoscillatory Behaviour of Third order Neutral Delay Difference Equations

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## ABSTRACT

In this note we consider the nonlinear third order neutral delay difference equation  

$$\Delta(p_n \Delta^2(y_n + h_n y_{n-k})) + q_n f(y_{n-l}) = 0 \text{-----(1)}$$
 Examples are given to illustrate the results.

**KEY WORDS:** Difference equation, oscillation, neutral Delay.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

We are concerned with the oscillatory properties of all the solutions of a third order nonlinear neutral delay difference equation of the form

$$\Delta(p_n \Delta^2(y_n + h_n y_{n-k})) + q_n f(y_{n-l}) = 0 \text{-----(1)}$$

Where  $\Delta$  is the forward difference operator defined by  $\Delta y_n = y_{n+1} - y_n$ , where  $k, l$  are fixed nonnegative integers and  $\{p_n\}, \{q_n\}$  &  $\{h_n\}$  are real sequences with respect to the difference equations (1) throughout we shall assume that the following conditions hold

(H<sub>1</sub>)  $\{p_n\}, \{q_n\}$  and  $\{h_n\} \geq 0$  and  $q_n \neq 0$  for infinitely many value of  $n$

(H<sub>2</sub>)  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and  $yf(y) \geq 0$  for all  $y \neq 0$

(H<sub>3</sub>) There exists a real valued function  $g$  such that  $f(u) - f(v) = g(u, v)(u - v)$  for all  $u \neq 0$  and  $v \neq 0$  and  $g(u, v) \geq L \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$

(H<sub>4</sub>)  $M = \max\{k, l\}$  and  $n_0$  be a fixed non negative integers

(H<sub>5</sub>)  $R_+ = \{ \{y_n\} \in S : \text{there exists an integer } N \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } y_n \Delta y_n \geq 0 \text{ for all } n \geq N \}$  and  $S$  is the set of all nontrivial solution of (1). By a solution of equation (1) we mean a real sequence  $\{y_n\}$  satisfying (1) for  $n \geq n_0$ .

A solution of  $\{y_n\}$  is said to be oscillatory if it is neither eventually negative otherwise it is called non-oscillatory.

For more details on oscillatory behaviour of difference equations one can refer (Selvaraj, 2010; Greaf, 1999; Thandapani, 1994, 1995, 2004).

## 2. METHODS & MATERIALS

1. Variation of parameter

2. Annihilator method

3. Oscillation and Nonoscillation

## 3. RESULTS

**Theorem 1:** With respect to the difference equation (1) assumes that the following hold:

(C<sub>1</sub>)  $\{h_n\}$  is nonnegative and non- decreasing for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

(C<sub>2</sub>)  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{s=n_0}^{n-1} q_{s+1} = \infty; n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$

(C<sub>3</sub>)  $\sum_{s=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{q_s} = \sum_{s=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{h_s} = \infty$

Then  $R_+ = \emptyset$

**Proof:** Suppose that the equation (1) has a solution  $\{y_n\} \in R_+$  since  $y_n \Delta y_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq N$  implies that  $\{y_n\}$  is a nonoscillatory without loss of generality we can assume that exists an integer  $n_1 \geq n_0$  such that

$y_n \geq 0, \Delta y_n \geq 0,$

$y_{n-m} \geq 0$  &  $\Delta y_{n-m} \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq n_1$ .

In fact for all  $y_n \leq 0, y_{n-m} \leq 0$  for all large  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

the proof is similar

set  $z_n = y_n + h_n y_{n-k}$  then in view of

(C<sub>1</sub>)  $z_n \geq 0, \Delta z_n \geq 0$  and  $\Delta^2 z_n \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq n_1$ .

Dividing equation (1) by  $f(x_{n-l})$  and summing from  $n_1$  to  $n-1$  we have

$$\frac{p_n \Delta^2 z_n}{f(x_{n-l})} - \frac{p_{n_1} \Delta^2 z_{n_1}}{f(x_{n_1-l})} + \sum_{s=n_1}^{n-1} \frac{p_s \Delta^2 z_s g(y_{s+1-l}, y_{s-l}) \Delta y_{s-l}}{f(y_{s+1-l}) f(y_{s-l})} = - \sum_{s=n_1}^{n-1} q_{s+1}$$

and hence

$$\frac{p_n \Delta^2 z_n}{f(x_{n-l})} - \frac{p_{n_1} \Delta^2 z_{n_1}}{f(x_{n_1-l})} \leq - \sum_{s=n_1}^{n-1} q_{s+1}$$

Thus from (C<sub>2</sub>) we find  $p_n \Delta^2 z_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This implies that

$P_n \Delta^2 z_n < -k_1, k > 0$

Summing this last inequality from  $n_2$  to  $n - 1$  we obtain

$$P_n \Delta^2 z_n < -k_1, k_1 \geq 0$$

Summing the last inequality from

$N_2$  to  $n - 1$  we obtain

$$\Delta^2 z_n < -k_1 \sum_{s=n_2}^{n-1} \frac{1}{p_s} + p_{n_2} \Delta^2 z_{n_2} \geq n_1$$

Thus from  $(C_3)$   $\Delta^2 z_n \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Which is contradict is the assumption that

$$\Delta^2 z_n \geq 0 \text{ for all large } n$$

Example: consider the difference equation

$$\Delta((n+1)\Delta^2(y_n + \frac{n-1}{n}y_{n-1})) + 2(3n+2)f(y_n) = 0 \text{---(A)}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1) = \infty, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2(3n+2) = \infty$$

Hence all the assumption of theorem holds. Hence the equation (A) has a

Solution  $\{y_n\} = \{1/n\} \in \mathbb{R}$  such  $y_n \Delta y_n \leq 0$

**Theorem 2:** With respect to the difference equation (1) assume that in addition to the Condition  $(c_3)$  the following holds

$$(c_4) k \geq 1 \text{ and } -1 \leq h_n \leq 0$$

$$(c_5) q_n \geq 0 \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$

$$(c_6) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{s=n_0}^{n-1} q_{s+1} = \infty$$

Then  $R_+ = \emptyset$

**Proof:** As in theorem as have a solution

$$\{y_n\} \in R_+ \text{ such that } y_n > 0$$

$$\Delta y_n \geq 0,$$

$$y_{n-m} \geq 0 \text{ at } \Delta y_{n-m} \geq 0 \text{ for all } n \geq n_1 \geq n_0$$

$$\text{Again set } z_n = y_n + h_n y_{n-k}$$

than in view of  $(c_4)$  and the fact that  $\{y_n\} \in R_+$

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We have  $z_n = y_{n-k} + h_n y_{n-k} \geq 0$  for all  $n \geq n_1$ . Since equation (1) is the same as

$$\Delta(p_n \Delta^2 z_n) = -q_{n+1} f(x_{n+1-l}), n \geq n_1$$

from condition  $(c_5)$  it follows that  $\{p_n \Delta^2 z_n\}$  is non increasing for all  $n \geq n_1$

Now suppose that  $p_n \Delta^2 z_n < 0$  for all  $n \geq n_1$

$$p_n \Delta^2 z_n < -k_2, k_2 > 0$$

summing the last inequality from  $n_3$  to  $n - 1$  we have  $\Delta^2 z_n \leq -k_2 \sum_{s=n_3}^{n-1} \frac{1}{p_s} + \Delta^2 z_{n_2} \quad n_3 \geq n_1$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and because of  $(c_3)$  to see that

$\Delta^2 z_n \rightarrow -\infty$  that  $\Delta^2 z_n \leq -k_3, k_3 > 0$  summing the last inequality from  $n_4$  to  $n - 1$  we obtain

$$Z_n \leq -k_3 \sum_{s=n_4}^{n-1} \sum_{k=n_4}^{s-1} \frac{1}{p_k s} + z_{n_4} \quad n \geq n_4$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and because of  $c_3$  we see that  $z_n \rightarrow \infty$  a contradicts

Thus  $p_n \Delta^2 z_n \geq 0$  now following as in theorem and using the condition

$$(c_5) \text{ we obtain } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n \Delta^2 z_n}{f(x_{n-l})} = \infty$$

which is the required contradiction

**Example:** Consider the difference equation  $\frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n^2/n+1}{3} \right) \Delta^2 (y_{n-2} y_{n-1}) + \frac{1}{n^2-1} f(y_n) = 0, n > 1$  and  $f(x) = x$ .----(B)

Here  $q_n = \frac{1}{n^2-1}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_{n-1} = \frac{1}{n^2-1} < \infty$ .

For the difference equation, assumption  $(C_3)$  and  $(C_5)$  hold:

but  $(C_4)$  and  $(C_6)$  are violated. Hence the equation (B) has a solution

$$\{y_n\} = \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n} \right\} \in R_+, \text{ since } y_n \Delta y_n \geq 0$$

#### 4. CONCLUSION

Based on Theorems 1, the equation (1) is oscillatory and by theorems 2 the equation (1) is non Oscillatory.

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