

DYNAMICS OF THE RATIONAL DIFFERENCE EQUATION

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + Bx_{n-k} + Cx_{n-l} + \frac{bx_n x_{n-k} x_{n-l}}{dx_{n-k} - ex_{n-l}}$$

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Abstract. In this article, we study the periodicity, the boundedness and the global stability of the positive solutions of the following nonlinear difference equation

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n + Bx_{n-k} + Cx_{n-l} + \frac{bx_n x_{n-k} x_{n-l}}{dx_{n-k} - ex_{n-l}}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where the coefficients $A, B, C, b, d, e \in (0, \infty)$, while k and l are positive integers. The initial conditions $x_{-l}, \dots, x_{-k}, \dots, x_{-1}, x_0$ are arbitrary positive real numbers such that $k < l$. Some numerical examples will be given to illustrate our results.

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