



Stability analysis of general humoral immunity HIV dynamics models with discrete delays and HAART



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Abstract

We investigate a general HIV infection model with three types of infected cells: latently infected cells, long-lived productively infected cells, and short-lived productively infected cells. We consider two kinds of target cells: CD4⁺ T cells and macrophages. We incorporate three discrete time delays into the model. Moreover, we consider the effect of humoral immunity on the dynamical behavior of the HIV. The HIV-target incidence rate, production/proliferation, and removal rates of the cells and HIV are represented by general nonlinear functions. We show that the solutions of the proposed model are nonnegative and ultimately bounded. We derive two threshold parameters which determine the stability of the three steady states of the model. Using Lyapunov functionals, we established the global stability of the steady states of the model. The theoretical results are confirmed by numerical simulations.

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1. Introduction

During the last decades several mathematical models have been proposed with the aim to understand the dynamics of HIV in the human body [1, 3–8, 10–12, 14, 16–18, 20–25, 27, 28, 30–33, 35–37, 39]. The basic and pioneering model describing the HIV dynamics is due Nowak and Bangham [33]. The model contains three compartments: uninfected CD4⁺ T cells (s), infected cells (y), and free HIV particles (p):

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{s}(t) &= \rho - \delta s(t) - \bar{\lambda} s(t)p(t), \\ \dot{y}(t) &= \bar{\lambda} s(t)p(t) - \eta y(t), \\ \dot{p}(t) &= \bar{N}\eta y(t) - gp(t),\end{aligned}\tag{1.1}$$

where ρ , δ , and $\bar{\lambda}$ represent the production, death, and infection rates of the uninfected CD4⁺ T cells, respectively; η and g are the death rate constants of the infected cells and free HIV, respectively; \bar{N} is the

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average number of HIV particles generated in the lifetime of the infected cells. A lot of considerations have been added that aim to get the best representation of the HIV infection. Most notably is latent HIV reservoirs which serve as a major barrier in curing HIV infection. In despite of antiretroviral therapy limits significantly the level of HIV in the blood, there still a low viral load due to ongoing latently infected cells reservoir reactivation. Variant models have been developed to study the dynamics of HIV in the presence of latent reservoirs (see, e.g., [2, 9, 13, 15, 29]).

In a very recent work Elaiw et al. [19] have modified model (1.1) by considering: (i) three types of infected cells, latently infected cells (w), short-lived productively infected cells (y), and long-lived productively infected cells (u); (ii) three types of time delays; (iii) antibody immune response (x); (iv) general nonlinear functions for the HIV-target incidence rate, production/proliferation and removal rates of the cells and HIV; and (v) highly active antiretroviral therapy (HAART) which combine both reverse transcriptase inhibitor and protease inhibitor. The model presented in [19] is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{s}(t) &= \pi(s(t)) - (1 - \varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}\chi(s(t), p(t)), \\ \dot{w}(t) &= (1 - \varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}_1 e^{-\mu_1\tau_1}\chi(s(t - \tau_1), p(t - \tau_1)) - (\alpha + \beta)\psi_1(w(t)), \\ \dot{y}(t) &= (1 - \varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}_2 e^{-\mu_2\tau_2}\chi(s(t - \tau_2), p(t - \tau_2)) + \alpha\psi_1(w(t)) - \eta\psi_2(y(t)), \\ \dot{u}(t) &= (1 - \varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}_3 e^{-\mu_3\tau_3}\chi(s(t - \tau_3), p(t - \tau_3)) - \nu\psi_3(u(t)), \\ \dot{p}(t) &= (1 - \varepsilon_2)\bar{N}\eta\psi_2(y(t)) + (1 - \varepsilon_2)\bar{M}\nu\psi_2(u(t)) - g\psi_4(p(t)) - \mu\psi_4(p(t))\psi_5(x(t)), \\ \dot{x}(t) &= r\psi_4(p(t))\psi_5(x(t)) - \omega\psi_5(x(t)).\end{aligned}\tag{1.2}$$

Parameter τ_1 is the time between viral entry and latent infection (i.e., the integration of viral DNA into cell's DNA has finished), while τ_2 and τ_3 are the times between viral entry and viral production from short-lived productively infected and long-lived productively infected cells, respectively. The factor $e^{-\mu_j\tau_j}, j = 1, 2, 3$ accounts for the loss of target cells during the delay period of length τ_j , where $\mu_j > 0$ is constant. The model incorporates reverse transcriptase inhibitor (RTI) with efficacy ε_1 and protease inhibitor (PI) with efficacy ε_2 , where $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \in [0, 1]$. $\chi, \pi, \psi_j, j = 1, \dots, 5$ are general nonlinear functions.

Model (1.2) has considered the interaction of the HIV with one class of target cells, $CD4^+$ T cells. It has been reported in [34] that the HIV can infect both the $CD4^+$ T cells and macrophages. To have more accurate HIV dynamics model the interaction between the HIV with the macrophages have to be considered. The aim of this paper is to propose and analyze an HIV infection model which improves model (1.2) by taking into account two classes of target cells, $CD4^+$ T cells and macrophages. We propose the following model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{s}_i(t) &= \pi_i(s_i(t)) - \lambda_i\chi_i(s_i(t), p(t)), \\ \dot{w}_i(t) &= \lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}}\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i})) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i)\psi_{1i}(w_i(t)), \\ \dot{y}_i(t) &= \lambda_{2i}e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i})) + \alpha_i\psi_{1i}(w_i(t)) - \eta_i\psi_{2i}(y_i(t)), \\ \dot{u}_i(t) &= \lambda_{3i}e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i})) - \nu_i\psi_{3i}(u_i(t)), \\ \dot{p}(t) &= \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i\eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}}\psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) + M_i\nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}}\psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))) \\ &\quad - g\psi_{4i}(p(t)) - \mu\psi_{4i}(p(t))\psi_{42}(x(t)), \\ \dot{x}(t) &= r\psi_{4i}(p(t))\psi_{42}(x(t)) - \omega\psi_{42}(x(t)),\end{aligned}\tag{1.3}$$

where $i = 1$ for the $CD4^+$ T cells and $i = 2$ for the macrophages. We have $\lambda_{m1} = (1 - \varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}_{m1}, \lambda_{m2} = (1 - f\varepsilon_1)\bar{\lambda}_{m2}$, $m = 1, 2, 3$, $N_1 = (1 - \varepsilon_2)\bar{N}_1, M_1 = (1 - \varepsilon_2)\bar{M}_1, N_2 = (1 - h\varepsilon_2)\bar{N}_2, M_2 = (1 - h\varepsilon_2)\bar{M}_2$, $\lambda_i = \lambda_{1i} + \lambda_{2i} + \lambda_{3i}$ and $f, h \in (0, 1)$. The parameters τ_{4i} and τ_{5i} represent the time necessary for producing new infectious viruses from the short-lived productively infected and long-lived productively infected cells, respectively. All the parameters are positive.

Functions $\chi_i, \pi_i, \psi_{ji}, j = 1, \dots, 4, i = 1, 2$, are continuously differentiable and satisfy the following hypotheses:

- H1 (i) there exists s_i^0 such that $\pi_i(s_i^0) = 0$, $\pi_i(s_i) > 0$ for $s_i \in [0, s_i^0]$;
(ii) $\pi'_i(s_i) < 0$ for $s_i \in (0, \infty)$;
(iii) there are $b_i > 0$ and $\bar{b}_i > 0$ such that $\pi_i(s_i) \leq b_i - \bar{b}_i s_i$ for $s_i \in [0, \infty)$;
- H2 (i) $\chi_i(s_i, p) > 0$ and $\chi_i(0, p) = \chi_i(s_i, 0) = 0$ for $s_i, p \in (0, \infty)$;
(ii) $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial s_i} > 0$, $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial p} > 0$ and, $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0)}{\partial p} > 0$ for all $s_i, p \in (0, \infty)$;
(iii) $\frac{d}{ds_i} \left(\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0)}{\partial p} \right) > 0$ for $s_i \in (0, \infty)$;
- H3 (i) $\psi_{ji}(\eta) > 0$ for $\eta \in (0, \infty)$, $\psi_{ji}(0) = 0$, $j = 1, \dots, 4$, $i = 1, 2$;
(ii) $\psi'_{ji}(\eta) > 0$, $\psi'_{42}(\eta) > 0$ for $\eta \in (0, \infty)$, $j = 1, 2, 3$, $i = 1, 2$, $\psi'_{41}(\eta) > 0$, for $\eta \in [0, \infty)$;
(iii) there are $\alpha_{ji} > 0$, $j = 1, \dots, 4$, $i = 1, 2$, such that, $\psi_{ji}(\eta) \geq \alpha_{ji}\eta$ for $\eta \in [0, \infty)$;
- H4 $\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\psi_{41}(p)}$ is decreasing function w.r.t p for $p \in (0, \infty)$.

Remark 1.1. From H1-H4 we have

$$\left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\psi_{41}(p)} - \frac{\chi_i(s_i, p^*)}{\psi_{41}(p^*)} \right) (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i, p^*)) \leq 0,$$

which gives

$$\left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p^*)} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(p^*)} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(s_i, p^*)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \leq 0.$$

We consider system (1.3) with the initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(t) &= \varphi_1(\theta), & s_2(t) &= \varphi_2(\theta), & w_1(t) &= \varphi_3(\theta), & w_2(t) &= \varphi_4(\theta), & y_1(t) &= \varphi_5(\theta), \\ y_2(t) &= \varphi_6(\theta), & u_1(t) &= \varphi_7(\theta), & u_2(t) &= \varphi_8(\theta), & p(t) &= \varphi_9(\theta), & x(t) &= \varphi_{10}(\theta), \\ \varphi_j(\theta) &\geq 0, & \theta \in [-\sigma, 0], & j &= 1, \dots, 10, \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

where $\sigma = \max\{\tau_{11}, \tau_{12}, \tau_{21}, \tau_{22}, \tau_{31}, \tau_{32}, \tau_{41}, \tau_{42}, \tau_{51}, \tau_{52}\}$ and denote by C is the Banach space of continuous functions mapping the interval $[-\sigma, 0]$ into $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and $(\varphi_1(\theta), \dots, \varphi_{10}(\theta)) \in C([- \sigma, 0], \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{10})$. Then, the uniqueness of the solution for $t > 0$ is guaranteed [26].

1.1. Preliminaries

Lemma 1.2. Let hypotheses H1-H3 be valid, then the solutions of system (1.3) is non-negative and ultimately bounded.

Proof. Let us write system (1.3) in matrix form $\dot{k}(t) = L(k(t))$, where $k = (s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)^T$, $L = (L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{10})^T$ and

$$L(k(t)) = \begin{pmatrix} L_1(k(t)) \\ L_2(k(t)) \\ \vdots \\ L_{10}(k(t)) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} L_1(k(t)) \\ L_2(k(t)) \\ \vdots \\ L_{10}(k(t)) \\ \pi_1(s_1(t)) - \lambda_1 \chi_1(s_1(t), p(t)) \\ \pi_2(s_2(t)) - \lambda_2 \chi_2(s_2(t), p(t)) \\ \lambda_{11} e^{-\mu_{11} \tau_{11}} \chi_1(s_1(t - \tau_{11}), p(t - \tau_{11})) - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \psi_{11}(w_1(t)) \\ \lambda_{12} e^{-\mu_{12} \tau_{12}} \chi_2(s_2(t - \tau_{12}), p(t - \tau_{12})) - (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) \psi_{12}(w_2(t)) \\ \lambda_{21} e^{-\mu_{21} \tau_{21}} \chi_1(s_1(t - \tau_{21}), p(t - \tau_{21})) + \alpha_1 \psi_{11}(w_1(t)) - \eta_1 \psi_{21}(y_1(t)) \\ \lambda_{22} e^{-\mu_{22} \tau_{22}} \chi_2(s_2(t - \tau_{22}), p(t - \tau_{22})) + \alpha_2 \psi_{12}(w_2(t)) - \eta_2 \psi_{22}(y_2(t)) \\ \lambda_{31} e^{-\mu_{31} \tau_{31}} \chi_1(s_1(t - \tau_{31}), p(t - \tau_{31})) - \nu_1 \psi_{31}(u_1(t)) \\ \lambda_{32} e^{-\mu_{32} \tau_{32}} \chi_2(s_2(t - \tau_{32}), p(t - \tau_{32})) - \nu_2 \psi_{32}(u_2(t)) \\ \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i} \tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i} \tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))) - g \psi_{41}(p(t)) \\ -\mu \psi_{41}(p(t)) \psi_{42}(x(t)) \\ r \psi_{41}(p(t)) \psi_{42}(x(t)) - \omega \psi_{42}(x(t)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

We have

$$L_j(k(t))|_{k(t) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{10}} \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, 10.$$

Using lemma 2 in [38], the solutions of system (1.3) with the initial states (1.4) satisfy $k(t) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{10}$ for all $t \geq 0$. The non-negativity of the model's solution implies that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup s_i(t) \leq M_{1i}$, where $M_{1i} = \frac{b_i}{\bar{b}_i}$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} T_i(t) &= N_i e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} s_i(t - \tau_{1i}) + N_i e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} s_i(t - \tau_{2i}) + M_i e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} s_i(t - \tau_{3i}) \\ &\quad + N_i w_i(t) + N_i y_i(t) + M_i u_i(t), \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_i(t) &= N_i e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} [\pi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i})) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i}))] \\ &\quad + N_i e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} [\pi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i})) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i}))] \\ &\quad + M_i e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} [\pi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i})) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i}))] \\ &\quad + N_i [\lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i})) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i(t))] \\ &\quad + N_i [\lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i})) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(w_i(t)) - \eta_i \psi_{2i}(y_i(t))] \\ &\quad + M_i [\lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i})) - \nu_i \psi_{3i}(u_i(t))] \\ &\leq N_i e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} [b_i - \bar{b}_i s_i(t - \tau_{1i})] + N_i e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} [b_i - \bar{b}_i s_i(t - \tau_{2i})] \\ &\quad + M_i e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} [b_i - \bar{b}_i s_i(t - \tau_{3i})] - N_i \beta_i \alpha_{1i} w_i(t) - N_i \eta_i \alpha_{2i} y_i(t) - M_i \nu_i \alpha_{3i} u_i(t) \\ &\leq b_i (N_i e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + N_i e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} + M_i e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}) - \sigma_i [N_i e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} s_i(t - \tau_{1i}) \\ &\quad + N_i e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} s_i(t - \tau_{2i}) + M_i e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} s_i(t - \tau_{3i}) + N_i w_i(t) + N_i y_i(t) + M_i u_i(t)] \\ &\leq b_i (2N_i + M_i) - \sigma_i T_i(t), \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma_i = \min\{\bar{b}_i, \beta_i \alpha_{1i}, \eta_i \alpha_{2i}, \nu_i \alpha_{3i}\}$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup T_i(t) \leq \frac{b_i (2N_i + M_i)}{\sigma_i}$. The non-negativity of the system's variables implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup w_i(t) &\leq \frac{b_i (2N_i + M_{2i})}{N_i \sigma_i} = M_{2i}, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup y_i(t) &\leq \frac{b_i (2N_i + M_i)}{N_i \sigma_i} = M_{2i}, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup u_i(t) &\leq \frac{b_i (2N_i + M_i)}{M_i \sigma_i} = M_{3i}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we let $T_3(t) = p(t) + \frac{\mu}{r} x(t)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_3 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))) - g \psi_{41}(p) - \frac{\mu \omega}{r} \psi_{42}(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(M_{2i}) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(M_{3i})) - g \alpha_{41} p - \frac{\mu \omega}{r} \alpha_{42} x \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i \psi_{2i}(M_{2i}) + M_i \nu_i \psi_{3i}(M_{3i})) - \sigma_3 T_3(t), \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma_3 = \min\{g \alpha_{41}, \omega \alpha_{42}\}$. Hence,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup T_3(t) \leq \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{(N_i \eta_i \psi_{2i}(M_{2i}) + M_i \nu_i \psi_{3i}(M_{3i}))}{\sigma_3} = M_{41},$$

$$\begin{aligned}\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} p(t) &\leq M_{41}, \\ \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) &\leq \frac{rM_{41}}{\mu} = M_{42}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $s_i(t)$, $w_i(t)$, $y_i(t)$, $u_i(t)$, $p(t)$, and $x(t)$ are ultimately bounded.

According to Lemma 1.2, we can show that the region

$$\Omega = \{(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x) \in \mathbb{C}^{10} : \|s_i\| \leq M_{1i}, \|w_i\| \leq M_{2i}, \\ \|y_i\| \leq M_{2i}, \|u_i\| \leq M_{3i}, \|p\| \leq M_{41}, \|x\| \leq M_{42}\},$$

is positively invariant with respect to system (1.3). \square

1.2. Steady states

We define the basic reproduction number R_0 of system (1.3) as follows:

$$R_0 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\rho_i}{\psi'_{41}(0)} \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0)}{\partial p}.$$

The steady state of (1.3) satisfies the following equations:

$$0 = \pi_i(s_i) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p), \quad (1.5)$$

$$0 = \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i, p) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i), \quad (1.6)$$

$$0 = \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i, p) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(w_i) - \eta_i \psi_{2i}(y_i), \quad (1.7)$$

$$0 = \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i, p) - \nu_i \psi_{3i}(u_i), \quad (1.8)$$

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i)) - g \psi_{41}(p) - \mu \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x), \quad (1.9)$$

$$0 = r \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x) - \omega \psi_{42}(x). \quad (1.10)$$

From Eq. (1.10) we have two possible solutions: $\psi_{42}(x) = 0$ and $\psi_{41}(p) = \omega/r$. The first possibility $\psi_{42}(x) = 0$ implies that $x = 0$. H3 implies that ψ_j^{-1} , $j = 1, \dots, 4$, $i = 1, 2$, exists, strictly increasing and $\psi_j^{-1}(0) = 0$. Let us define

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{1i}(s_i) &= \psi_{1i}^{-1} \left(\frac{\lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}}}{\lambda_i(\alpha_i + \beta_i)} \pi_i(s_i) \right), \\ \Delta_{2i}(s_i) &= \psi_{2i}^{-1} \left(\frac{\alpha_i \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}}{\lambda_i \eta_i (\alpha_i + \beta_i)} \pi_i(s_i) \right), \\ \Delta_{3i}(s_i) &= \psi_{3i}^{-1} \left(\frac{\lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}}{\lambda_i \nu_i} \pi_i(s_i) \right), \quad \Delta_4(s_i) = \psi_{41}^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\rho_i}{\lambda_i} \pi_i(s_i) \right),\end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

where $\rho_i = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{N_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} (\alpha_i \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) + M_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \lambda_{3i} (\alpha_i + \beta_i)}{g(\alpha_i + \beta_i)}$. It follows from Eqs. (1.5)-(1.9) that:

$$w_i = \Delta_{1i}(s_i), \quad y_i = \Delta_{2i}(s_i), \quad u_i = \Delta_{3i}(s_i), \quad p = \Delta_4(s_i). \quad (1.12)$$

Obviously, $\Delta_{1i}(s_i), \Delta_{2i}(s_i), \Delta_{3i}(s_i), \Delta_4(s_i) > 0$ for $s_i \in [0, s_i^0]$ and $\Delta_{1i}(s_i^0) = \Delta_{2i}(s_i^0) = \Delta_{3i}(s_i^0) = \Delta_4(s_i^0) = 0$, $i = 1, 2$. From Eqs. (1.5), (1.11), and (1.12) we obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \chi_i(s_i, \Delta_4(s_i)) - \psi_{41}(\Delta_4(s_i)) = 0. \quad (1.13)$$

Eq. (1.13) has two possible solutions, $\Delta_4 = 0$ and $\Delta_4 \neq 0$. The solution $\Delta_4 = 0$ implies $s_i = s_i^0$ which gives the infection-free steady state $\Pi_0(s_1^0, s_2^0, 0)$. The other solution $\Delta_4 \neq 0$ admits

a humoral-inactivated infection steady state $\Pi_1(\tilde{s}_1, \tilde{s}_2, \tilde{w}_1, \tilde{w}_2, \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_2, \tilde{p}, 0)$ where the coordinates satisfy the equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i) &= \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}), \\ \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) &= (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i), \\ \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) &= \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i), \nu_i \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) = \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}), \\ g \psi_{4i}(\tilde{p}) &= \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)). \end{aligned} \quad (1.14)$$

The other solution of Eq. (1.10) is $\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) = \frac{\omega}{r}$, which yields $\bar{p} = \psi_{41}^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{r}\right) > 0$. Substitute $p = \bar{p}$ in Eq. (1.5) and let $\Delta_i(s_i) = \pi_i(s_i) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, \bar{p}) = 0$. According to H1 and H2, Δ_i is strictly decreasing, $\Delta_i(0) = \pi_i(0) > 0$ and $\Delta_i(s_i^0) = -\lambda_i \chi_i(s_i^0, \bar{p}) < 0$. Thus, there exists a unique $\tilde{s}_i \in (0, s_i^0)$ such that $\Delta_i(\tilde{s}_i) = 0$. It follows from Eqs. (1.9) and (1.12) that,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{w}_i &= \Delta_{1i}(\tilde{s}_i) > 0, \quad \bar{y}_i = \Delta_{2i}(\tilde{s}_i) > 0, \quad \bar{u}_i = \Delta_{3i}(\tilde{s}_i) > 0, \\ \bar{p} &= \psi_{41}^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{r}\right) > 0, \quad \bar{x} = \psi_{42}^{-1}\left(\frac{g}{\mu} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} - 1 \right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\bar{x} > 0$ when $\sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} > 1$. Now we define the humoral immune response activation number as follows:

$$R_1 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})}.$$

If $R_1 > 1$, then $\bar{x} = \psi_{42}^{-1}\left(\frac{g}{\mu}(R_1 - 1)\right) > 0$, and there exists a humoral-activated infection steady state $\Pi_2(\tilde{s}_1, \tilde{s}_2, \bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2, \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{p}, \bar{x})$. Clearly, from H2 and H4, we have

$$R_1 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \leq \sum_{i=1}^2 \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \rho_i \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, p)}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \leq \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\rho_i}{\psi'_{41}(0)} \frac{\partial \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, 0)}{\partial p} \leq \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\rho_i}{\psi'_{41}(0)} \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0)}{\partial p} = R_0.$$

We will use the following equalities throughout the paper:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\hat{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}\right) \\ &\quad + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}{\psi_{41}(\hat{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{41}(\hat{p}) \psi_{2i}(y_i)}{\psi_{41}(p) \psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i)}\right) \\ &\quad + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{1i}(\hat{w}_i)}\right), \\ \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}\right) \\ &\quad + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{41}(\hat{p}) \psi_{2i}(y_i)}{\psi_{41}(p) \psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i)}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}{\psi_{41}(\hat{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)}\right), \\ \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\hat{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\chi_i(\hat{s}_i, \hat{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}\right) \\ &\quad + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \psi_{41}(\hat{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\hat{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \hat{p})}{\psi_{41}(\hat{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)}\right), \\ \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\hat{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\hat{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{41}(\hat{p})}\right), \\ \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)}\right) &= \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\hat{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\hat{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\hat{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \psi_{41}(\hat{p})}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.15)$$

2. Global properties

The following theorems investigate the global stability of the steady states of system (1.3).

Let us denote $(s_i, w_i, y_i, u_i, p, x) = (s_i(t), w_i(t), y_i(t), u_i(t), p(t), x(t))$.

Theorem 2.1. *If $R_0 \leq 1$ and hypotheses H1-H4 are valid, then Π_0 is GAS.*

Proof. Define a Lyapunov functional $V_0(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)$ as:

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i & \left[s_i - s_i^0 - \int_{s_i^0}^{s_i} \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(\eta, p)} d\eta + \ell_{1i} w_i + \ell_{2i} y_i + \ell_{3i} u_i \right. \\ & + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \int_0^{\tau_{1i}} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta)) d\theta + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \int_0^{\tau_{2i}} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta)) d\theta \\ & + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \int_0^{\tau_{3i}} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta)) d\theta + \ell_{4i} \eta_i \int_0^{\tau_{4i}} e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\theta)) d\theta \\ & \left. + \ell_{5i} \nu_i \int_0^{\tau_{5i}} e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\theta)) d\theta \right] + \ell_{61} p + \ell_{62} x, \end{aligned}$$

where $\ell_{1i}, \dots, \ell_{5i}, \ell_{61}$, and ℓ_{62} satisfy the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_i &= \lambda_{1i} \ell_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \lambda_{2i} \ell_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} + \lambda_{3i} \ell_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}, \quad (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \ell_{1i} = \alpha_i \ell_{2i}, \\ \ell_{2i} &= \ell_{4i} e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}}, \quad \ell_{3i} = \ell_{5i} e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}}, \quad \rho_i \ell_{4i} = N_i \ell_{61}, \quad \rho_i \ell_{5i} = M_i \ell_{61}, \quad \mu \ell_{61} = r \ell_{62}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

The solution of Eqs. (2.1) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_{1i} &= \frac{\alpha_i N_i \lambda_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}}}{\rho_i g(\alpha_i + \beta_i)}, \quad \ell_{2i} = \frac{N_i \lambda_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}}}{\rho_i g}, \quad \ell_{3i} = \frac{M_i \lambda_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}}}{\rho_i g}, \\ \ell_{4i} &= \frac{N_i \lambda_i}{\rho_i g}, \quad \ell_{5i} = \frac{M_i \lambda_i}{\rho_i g}, \quad i = 1, 2, \quad \ell_{61} = \frac{\lambda_i}{g}, \quad \ell_{62} = \frac{\mu \lambda_i}{r g}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $V_0(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x) > 0$ for all $s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x > 0$ and $V_0(s_1^0, s_2^0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$. We calculate $\frac{dV_0}{dt}$ along the trajectories of (1.3) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV_0}{dt} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i & \left[\left(1 - \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) (\pi_i(s_i) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p)) \right. \\ & + \ell_{1i} (\lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i})) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)) \\ & + \ell_{2i} (\lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i})) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(w_i) - \eta_i \psi_{2i}(y_i)) \\ & + \ell_{3i} (\lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i})) - \nu_i \psi_{3i}(u_i)) \\ & + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))) \\ & + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))) \\ & + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))) \\ & + \ell_{4i} \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} (\psi_{2i}(y_i) - \psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))) \\ & \left. + \ell_{5i} \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} (\psi_{3i}(u_i) - \psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))) \right] \\ & + \ell_{61} \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))) \\ & - \ell_{61} g \psi_{41}(p) - \ell_{61} \mu \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x) + \ell_{62} (r \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x) - \omega \psi_{42}(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Collecting terms of Eq. (2.2) and using $\pi(s_i^0) = 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dV_0}{dt} &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(s_i^0)) \left(1 - \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p) \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} - \ell_{61} g \psi_{41}(p) - \ell_{62} \omega \psi_{42}(x) \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(s_i^0)) \left(1 - \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
 &\quad + \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \lambda_i \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\psi_{41}(p)} \lim_{p \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\chi_i(s_i^0, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} - \ell_{61} g \right) \psi_{41}(p) - \ell_{62} \omega \psi_{42}(x) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(s_i^0)) \left(1 - \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0) / \partial p}{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0) / \partial p} \right) \\
 &\quad + \ell_{61} g \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\rho_i \lambda_i}{\ell_{61} g \psi'_{41}(0)} \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0) / \partial p}{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0) / \partial p} - 1 \right) \psi_{41}(p) - \ell_{62} \omega \psi_{42}(x) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(s_i^0)) \left(1 - \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0) / \partial p}{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0) / \partial p} \right) + \ell_{61} g (R_0 - 1) \psi_{41}(p) - \ell_{62} \omega \psi_{42}(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

By H1 and H2, we obtain

$$(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(s_i^0)) \left(1 - \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i^0, 0) / \partial p}{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0) / \partial p} \right) \leq 0.$$

Therefore, if $R_0 \leq 1$, then $\frac{dV_0}{dt} \leq 0$ for $s_i, p, x \in (0, \infty)$. Clearly, $\frac{dV_0}{dt} = 0$ at Π_0 . Applying LIP, we get that Π_0 is GAS. \square

Lemma 2.2. *If $R_0 > 1$ and hypotheses H1-H4 are valid, then*

$$\operatorname{sgn}(R_1 - 1) = \operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{p} - \bar{p}) = \operatorname{sgn}(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i).$$

Proof. Using hypotheses H1 and H2, for $\tilde{s}_i, \bar{s}_i, \tilde{p}, \bar{p} > 0$, we get

$$(\tilde{s}_i - \bar{s}_i)(\pi_i(\bar{s}_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) > 0, \quad (2.3)$$

$$(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i)(\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})) > 0, \quad (2.4)$$

$$(\bar{p} - \tilde{p})(\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})) > 0, \quad (2.5)$$

and from hypothesis H4, we obtain

$$(\tilde{p} - \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} \right) > 0. \quad (2.6)$$

First, we show that $\operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{p} - \bar{p}) = \operatorname{sgn}(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i)$. Suppose that $\operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{p} - \bar{p}) = \operatorname{sgn}(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i)$. Using the steady state conditions of Π_1 and Π_2 , we obtain

$$\pi_i(\bar{s}_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i) = \lambda_i [\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})] = \lambda_i [(\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})) + (\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}))].$$

Therefore, from the inequalities (2.3)-(2.5) we obtain $\operatorname{sgn}(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i) = \operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{s}_i - \bar{s}_i)$, which is a contradiction; hence, $\operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{p} - \bar{p}) = \operatorname{sgn}(\bar{s}_i - \tilde{s}_i)$. Using Eqs. (1.14) and the definition of R_1 , we get

$$R_1 - 1 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left(\frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[\frac{1}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} (\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})) + \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} \right].$$

Thus, from inequalities (2.4) and (2.6) we obtain $\operatorname{sgn}(R_1 - 1) = \operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{p} - \bar{p})$. \square

Theorem 2.3. *Suppose that hypotheses H1-H4 are valid, Π_1 exists, and $R_1 \leq 1$, then Π_1 is GAS.*

Proof. Let $V_1(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
V_1 = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[s_i - \tilde{s}_i - \int_{\tilde{s}_i}^{s_i} \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(\eta, \tilde{p})} d\eta + \ell_{1i} \left(w_i - \tilde{w}_i - \int_{\tilde{w}_i}^{w_i} \frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) \right. \\
& + \ell_{2i} \left(y_i - \tilde{y}_i - \int_{\tilde{y}_i}^{y_i} \frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) + \ell_{3i} \left(u_i - \tilde{u}_i - \int_{\tilde{u}_i}^{u_i} \frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) \\
& + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{1i}} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\
& + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{2i}} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{3i}} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\theta), p(t-\theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\
& + \ell_{4i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \int_0^{\tau_{4i}} e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\theta))}{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)} \right) d\theta \\
& \left. + \ell_{5i} \nu_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{u}_i) \int_0^{\tau_{5i}} e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\theta))}{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)} \right) d\theta \right] + \ell_{61} \left(p - \tilde{p} - \int_{\tilde{p}}^p \frac{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\eta)} d\eta \right) + \ell_{62} x.
\end{aligned}$$

We can see that, $V_1(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x) > 0$ for all $s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x > 0$ and $V_1(\tilde{s}_1, \tilde{s}_2, \tilde{w}_1, \tilde{w}_2, \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_2, \tilde{p}, 0) = 0$. Calculating $\frac{dV_1}{dt}$ along the solutions of (1.3) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_1}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[\left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) (\pi_i(s_i) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p)) \right. \\
& + \ell_{1i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(w_i)} \right) (\lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i})) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) (\lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i})) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(w_i) - \eta_i \psi_{2i}(y_i)) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) (\lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i})) - \nu_i \psi_{3i}(u_i)) \\
& + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{4i} \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \left(\psi_{2i}(y_i) - \psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) + \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \right) \\
& \left. + \ell_{5i} \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \left(\psi_{3i}(u_i) - \psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) + \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \right) \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \ell_{61} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \right) \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))) \\
& - \ell_{61} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \right) (g\psi_{41}(p) + \mu\psi_{41}(p)\psi_{42}(x)) + \ell_{62}(r\psi_{41}(p)\psi_{42}(x) - \omega\psi_{42}(x)).
\end{aligned}$$

Collecting terms of Eq. (2.7) and applying $\pi_i(\tilde{s}_i) = \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_1}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p) \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right. \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i})) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(w_i)} + \ell_{1i} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i})) \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \\
& - \alpha_i \ell_{2i} \frac{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i})) \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \\
& + \ell_{3i} \nu_i \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(x, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{4i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \\
& \left. + \ell_{5i} \nu_i \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \right] - \ell_{61} g \psi_{41}(p) \\
& - \ell_{61} \sum_{i=1}^2 N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \\
& - \ell_{61} \sum_{i=1}^2 M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} + \ell_{61} g \psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) + \mu \ell_{61} \psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) \psi_{42}(x) - \ell_{62} \omega \psi_{42}(x).
\end{aligned}$$

From the conditions of the steady state Π_1 :

$$\begin{aligned}
(\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i) &= \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}), & \ell_{2i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) &= (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}), \\
\nu_i \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) &= \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}), & \ell_{61} g \psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}),
\end{aligned}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_1}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right. \\
& + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i})) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \psi_{1i}(w_i)} \\
& - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i})) \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \psi_{2i}(y_i)} \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)} + (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i})) \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \psi_{3i}(u_i)} \\
& + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \Big] + \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \\
& - \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \\
& - \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \psi_{41}(p)} + r \ell_{62} \left(\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) - \frac{\omega}{r} \right) \psi_{42}(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Using the equalities (1.15) with $\hat{s}_i = \tilde{s}_i$, $\hat{w}_i = \tilde{w}_i$, $\hat{y}_i = \tilde{y}_i$, $\hat{u}_i = \tilde{u}_i$ and $\hat{p} = \tilde{p}$, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_1}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right. \\
& + \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} - 1 + \frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& - \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)} \right) \right) \\
& - (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \right) - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \psi_{41}(p)} - 1 \right. \\
& \left. - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \right] + r \ell_{62} (\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) - \psi_{41}(p)) \psi_{42}(x).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

Eq. (2.8) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV_1}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right. \\ & - \lambda_i \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \left(F \left(\frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) + F \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right) - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i} \tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)} \right) \\ & - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i} \tau_{1i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \\ & - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i} \tau_{2i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \\ & - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i} \tau_{3i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \\ & - (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i} \tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i} \tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \\ & \left. - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i} \tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \right] + r \ell_{62} (\psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) - \psi_{41}(\bar{p})) \psi_{42}(x). \end{aligned}$$

H1, H2, H4, Remark 1.1, Lemma 2.2, and the condition $R_1 \leq 1$ imply that

$$(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\tilde{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} \right) \leq 0, \quad \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(s_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \leq 0, \quad \psi_{41}(\tilde{p}) - \psi_{41}(\bar{p}) \leq 0.$$

It follows that, for all $s_i, y_i, p, x > 0$, we have $\frac{dV_1}{dt} \leq 0$ and $\frac{dV_1}{dt} = 0$ at Π_1 . By LIP, Π_1 is GAS. \square

Theorem 2.4. If $R_1 > 1$ and hypotheses H1-H4 are valid, then Π_2 is GAS.

Proof. Define $V_2(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)$ as

$$\begin{aligned} V_2 = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[s_i - \bar{s}_i - \int_{\bar{s}_i}^{s_i} \frac{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})}{\chi_i(\eta, \tilde{p})} d\eta + \ell_{1i} \left(w_i - \bar{w}_i - \int_{\bar{w}_i}^{w_i} \frac{\psi_{1i}(\tilde{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) \right. \\ & + \ell_{2i} \left(y_i - \bar{y}_i - \int_{\bar{y}_i}^{y_i} \frac{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) + \ell_{3i} \left(u_i - \bar{u}_i - \int_{\bar{u}_i}^{u_i} \frac{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(\eta)} d\eta \right) \\ & + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{1i}} e^{-\mu_{1i} \tau_{1i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \theta), p(t - \theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\ & + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{2i}} e^{-\mu_{2i} \tau_{2i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \theta), p(t - \theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\ & + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p}) \int_0^{\tau_{3i}} e^{-\mu_{3i} \tau_{3i}} F \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \theta), p(t - \theta))}{\chi_i(\tilde{s}_i, \tilde{p})} \right) d\theta \\ & + \ell_{4i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i) \int_0^{\tau_{4i}} e^{-\mu_{4i} \tau_{4i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \theta))}{\psi_{2i}(\tilde{y}_i)} \right) d\theta + \ell_{5i} v_i \psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i) \int_0^{\tau_{5i}} e^{-\mu_{5i} \tau_{5i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \theta))}{\psi_{3i}(\tilde{u}_i)} \right) d\theta \Bigg] \\ & + \ell_{61} \left(p - \bar{p} - \int_{\bar{p}}^p \frac{\psi_{41}(\tilde{p})}{\psi_{41}(\eta)} d\eta \right) + \ell_{62} \left(x - \bar{x} - \int_{\bar{x}}^x \frac{\psi_{42}(\tilde{x})}{\psi_{42}(\eta)} d\eta \right). \end{aligned}$$

Note that, $V_2(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x) > 0$ for all $s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, p, x > 0$ and $V_2(\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2, \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{p}, \bar{x}) = 0$. Calculating $\frac{dV_2}{dt}$ along the solutions of model (1.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[\left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) (\pi_i(s_i) - \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p)) \right. \\
& + \ell_{1i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(w_i)} \right) (\lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i})) - (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(w_i)) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) (\lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i})) + \alpha_i \psi_{1i}(w_i) - \eta_i \psi_{2i}(y_i)) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) (\lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i})) - \nu_i \psi_{3i}(u_i)) \\
& + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} (\chi_i(s_i, p) - \chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i}))) \\
& + \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{4i} \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \left(\psi_{2i}(y_i) - \psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) + \psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \right) \\
& + \ell_{5i} \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \left(\psi_{3i}(u_i) - \psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i})) + \psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \right) \\
& + \ell_{61} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \right) \sum_{i=1}^2 (N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i})) + M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))) \\
& - \ell_{61} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \right) (g \psi_{41}(p) + \mu \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x)) \\
& \left. + \ell_{62} \left(1 - \frac{\psi_{42}(\bar{x})}{\psi_{42}(x)} \right) (r \psi_{41}(p) \psi_{42}(x) - \omega \psi_{42}(x)). \right] \tag{2.9}
\end{aligned}$$

Collecting terms of Eq. (2.9) and applying $\pi_i(\bar{s}_i) = \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\bar{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(s_i, p) \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right. \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i})) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\psi_{1i}(w_i)} + \ell_{1i} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \\
& + \ell_{2i} \eta_i \psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i})) \psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \\
& - \alpha_i \ell_{2i} \frac{\psi_{1i}(w_i) \psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{3i}), p(t - \tau_{3i})) \psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i)}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \\
& + \ell_{3i} \nu_i \psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) + \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{1i}), p(t - \tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) \\
& \left. + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t - \tau_{2i}), p(t - \tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{4i}\eta_i\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \\
& + \ell_{5i}\nu_i\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i)e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \Big] - \ell_{61}g\psi_{41}(p) \\
& + \ell_{61}g\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) - \ell_{61} \sum_{i=1}^2 N_i \eta_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} \frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))\psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} \\
& - \ell_{61} \sum_{i=1}^2 M_i \nu_i e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}} \frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))\psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(p)} + \mu\ell_{61}\psi_{41}(\bar{p})\psi_{42}(x) \\
& - \ell_{62}\omega\psi_{42}(x) + \ell_{62}\omega\psi_{42}(\bar{x}) - r\ell_{62}\psi_{41}(p)\psi_{42}(\bar{x}).
\end{aligned}$$

Using the steady state conditions for Π_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}
(\alpha_i + \beta_i)\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) &= \lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}), & \ell_{2i}\eta_i\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) &= (\ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}})\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}), \\
\nu_i\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) &= \lambda_{3i}e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}), & \ell_{61}g\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i\lambda_i\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \mu\ell_{61}\psi_{41}(\bar{p})\psi_{42}(\bar{x}), \\
\ell_{61}g\psi_{41}(p) &= \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i\lambda_i\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \mu\ell_{61}\psi_{41}(p)\psi_{42}(\bar{x}),
\end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2}{dt} &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\bar{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right. \\
&\quad + \lambda_i\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) + \lambda_i\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \right) \\
&\quad + \ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})\psi_{1i}(w_i)} \\
&\quad - \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)}{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \\
&\quad - \ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)\psi_{1i}(w_i)}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)} + (\ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}})\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \\
&\quad + \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) - \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i)}{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \\
&\quad + \ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
&\quad + \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
&\quad + \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
&\quad + (\ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}})\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i}))}{\psi_{2i}(y_i)} \right) \\
&\quad \left. + \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}}\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i}))}{\psi_{3i}(u_i)} \right) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i\lambda_i\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \\
& - \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)}.
\end{aligned}$$

By the equalities (1.15) with $\hat{s}_i = \bar{s}_i$, $\hat{w}_i = \bar{w}_i$, $\hat{y}_i = \bar{y}_i$, $\hat{u}_i = \bar{u}_i$, and $\hat{p} = \bar{p}$, we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\bar{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right. \\
& + \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} - 1 + \frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \\
& - \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)} \right) \right) \\
& - (\ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right. \\
& \left. - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t-\tau_{4i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \right) \\
& \left. - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} - 1 - \ln \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t-\tau_{5i})) \psi_{41}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \psi_{41}(p)} \right) \right) \right]. \tag{2.10}
\end{aligned}$$

Eq. (2.10) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2}{dt} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \rho_i \left[(\pi_i(s_i) - \pi_i(\bar{s}_i)) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) + \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} - \frac{\psi_{41}(p)}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p})} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right. \\
& - \lambda_i \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) \left[F \left(\frac{\chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})}{\chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})} \right) + F \left(\frac{\psi_{41}(p) \chi_i(s_i, \bar{p})}{\psi_{41}(\bar{p}) \chi_i(s_i, p)} \right) \right] - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i)} \right) \\
& - \ell_{1i} \lambda_{1i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{1i}), p(t-\tau_{1i}))}{\psi_{1i}(\bar{w}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \\
& - \ell_{2i} \lambda_{2i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{2i}), p(t-\tau_{2i}))}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \\
& \left. - \ell_{3i} \lambda_{3i} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(s_i(t-\tau_{3i}), p(t-\tau_{3i}))}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p})} \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - (\ell_{1i}\lambda_{1i}e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + \ell_{2i}\lambda_{2i}e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}) \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{2i}(y_i(t - \tau_{4i}))\psi_{4i}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{2i}(\bar{y}_i)\psi_4(p)} \right) \\
& - \ell_{3i}\lambda_{3i}e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} \chi_i(\bar{s}_i, \bar{p}) F \left(\frac{\psi_{3i}(u_i(t - \tau_{5i}))\psi_{4i}(\bar{p})}{\psi_{3i}(\bar{u}_i)\psi_{4i}(p)} \right) \Big].
\end{aligned}$$

According to H1, H2, and H4 we get $\frac{dV_2}{dt} \leq 0$ and $\frac{dV_2}{dt} = 0$ at Π_2 . LIP implies that Π_2 is GAS. \square

3. Numerical simulations

We now perform some computer simulations on the following application:

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{s}_1(t) &= \rho_1 - \delta_1 s_1(t) + B s_1(t) \left(1 - \frac{s_1(t)}{s_{\max}} \right) - \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_1 s_1(t) p(t)}{1 + \vartheta_1 p(t)}, \\
\dot{s}_2(t) &= \rho_2 - \delta_2 s_2(t) - \frac{(1 - f\varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_2 s_2(t) p(t)}{1 + \vartheta_2 p(t)}, \\
\dot{w}_1(t) &= \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{11} e^{-\mu_{11}\tau_{11}} s_1(t - \tau_{11}) p(t - \tau_{11})}{1 + \vartheta_1 p(t - \tau_{11})} - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) w_1(t), \\
\dot{w}_2(t) &= \frac{(1 - f\varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{12} e^{-\mu_{12}\tau_{12}} s_2(t - \tau_{12}) p(t - \tau_{12})}{1 + \vartheta_2 p(t - \tau_{12})} - (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) w_2(t), \\
\dot{y}_1(t) &= \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{21} e^{-\mu_{21}\tau_{21}} s_1(t - \tau_{21}) p(t - \tau_{21})}{1 + \vartheta_1 p(t - \tau_{21})} + \alpha_1 w_1(t) - \eta_1 y_1(t), \\
\dot{y}_2(t) &= \frac{(1 - f\varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{22} e^{-\mu_{22}\tau_{22}} s_2(t - \tau_{22}) p(t - \tau_{22})}{1 + \vartheta_2 p(t - \tau_{22})} + \alpha_2 w_2(t) - \eta_2 y_2(t), \\
\dot{u}_1(t) &= \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{31} e^{-\mu_{31}\tau_{31}} s_1(t - \tau_{31}) p(t - \tau_{31})}{1 + \vartheta_1 p(t - \tau_{31})} - \nu_1 u_1(t), \\
\dot{u}_2(t) &= \frac{(1 - f\varepsilon_1) \bar{\lambda}_{32} e^{-\mu_{32}\tau_{32}} s_2(t - \tau_{32}) p(t - \tau_{32})}{1 + \vartheta_2 p(t - \tau_{32})} - \nu_2 u_2(t), \\
\dot{p}(t) &= (1 - \varepsilon_2) \bar{N}_1 \eta_1 e^{-\mu_{41}\tau_{41}} y_1(t - \tau_{41}) + (1 - h\varepsilon_2) \bar{N}_2 \eta_2 e^{-\mu_{42}\tau_{42}} y_2(t - \tau_{42}) \\
& + (1 - \varepsilon_2) \bar{M}_1 \nu_1 e^{-\mu_{51}\tau_{51}} u_1(t - \tau_{51}) + (1 - h\varepsilon_2) \bar{M}_2 \nu_2 e^{-\mu_{52}\tau_{52}} u_2(t - \tau_{52}) \\
& - gp(t) - \mu p(t) x(t), \\
\dot{x}(t) &= rp(t) x(t) - \omega x(t),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

where $B < \delta_1$. In this application, we consider the following specific forms of the general functions:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi_1(s_1(t)) &= \rho_1 - \delta_1 s_1(t) + B s_1(t) \left(1 - \frac{s_1(t)}{s_{\max}} \right), & \pi_2(s_2(t)) &= \rho_2 - \delta_2 s_2(t), \\
\chi_i(s_i(t), p(t)) &= \frac{s_i(t) p(t)}{1 + \vartheta_i p(t)}, & \psi_{ji}(\theta) &= \theta, \quad j = 1, \dots, 4, \quad i = 1, 2.
\end{aligned}$$

First we verify hypotheses H1-H4 for the chosen forms, then we solve the system using MATLAB. Clearly, $\pi_i(0) = \rho_i > 0$ and $\pi_i(s_i^0) = 0$, where

$$s_i^0 = \frac{s_{\max}}{2B} \left(B - \delta_1 + \sqrt{(B - \delta_1)^2 + \frac{4\rho_1 B}{s_{\max}}} \right), \quad s_2^0 = \frac{\rho_2}{\delta_2}.$$

We have

$$\pi'_1(s_1) = -\delta_1 + B - \frac{2Bs_1}{s_{\max}} < 0, \quad \pi'_2(s_2) = -\delta_2 < 0.$$

Clearly, $\pi_i(s_i) > 0$ for $s_i \in [0, s_i^0]$ and

$$\pi_1(s_1) = \rho_1 - (\delta_1 - B)s_1 - B \frac{s_1^2}{s_{\max}} \leq \rho_1 - (\delta_1 - B)s_1, \quad \pi_2(s_2) = \rho_2 - \delta_2 s_2.$$

Then H1 is satisfied. We also have $\chi_i(s_i, p) > 0$, $\chi_i(0, p) = \chi(s_i, 0) = 0$ for $s_i, p \in (0, \infty)$, and

$$\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial s_i} = \frac{p}{(1 + \vartheta_i p)}, \quad \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial p} = \frac{s_i}{(1 + \vartheta_i p)^2}, \quad \frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0)}{\partial p} = s_i.$$

Then, $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial s_i} > 0$, $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, p)}{\partial p} > 0$, and $\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0)}{\partial p} > 0$ for all $s_i, p \in (0, \infty)$. Therefore, H1 is satisfied. In addition

$$\left(\frac{\partial \chi_i(s_i, 0)}{\partial p} \right)' = 1 > 0 \text{ for all } s_i > 0.$$

It follows that, H2 is satisfied. Clearly H3 holds true. Moreover,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{\chi_i(s_i, p)}{\psi_{41}(p)} \right) = \frac{-\vartheta_i s}{(1 + \vartheta_i p)^2} < 0.$$

Therefore, H4 holds true and Theorems 2.1, 2.3, and 2.4 are applicable. The parameters R_0 and R_1 for this application are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{(\{N_i A_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} + M_i \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}}\}) s_i^0}{g(\alpha_i + \beta_i)}, \\ R_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{(\{N_i A_i e^{-\mu_{4i}\tau_{4i}} + M_i \lambda_{3i} e^{-\mu_{3i}\tau_{3i}} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) e^{-\mu_{5i}\tau_{5i}}\}) \bar{s}_i}{1 + \vartheta_i \bar{p}}, \\ A_i &= \alpha_i \lambda_{1i} e^{-\mu_{1i}\tau_{1i}} + (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \lambda_{2i} e^{-\mu_{2i}\tau_{2i}}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.1. There are several forms of the general function $\chi_i(s_i, p)$ where H1-H4 can be satisfied such as:

- (i) Holling-type incidence $\chi_i(s_i, p) = \frac{s_i p}{1 + \vartheta_i s_i}$;
- (ii) Beddington-DeAngelis incidence $\chi_i(s_i, p) = \frac{s_i p}{1 + \vartheta_i s_i + \sigma_i p}$;
- (iii) Crowley-Martin incidence $\chi_i(s_i, p) = \frac{s_i p}{(1 + \vartheta_i s_i)(1 + \sigma_i p)}$;
- (iv) Hill-type incidence $\chi_i(s_i, p) = \frac{s_i^m p}{\vartheta_i^m + s_i^m}$.

Now we are ready to perform some numerical simulations for system (3.1). The data of system (3.1) are provided in Table 1. We let $\tau_{mi} = \tau$, $\mu_{mi} = \mu_e$, $i = 1, 2$, $\bar{\lambda}_{m1} = 0.000625$, and $\bar{\lambda}_{m2} = 0.0000625$, $m = 1, 2, 3$.

Table 1: The data of example (3.1).

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
ρ_1	10	ρ_2	0.03198	η_1	0.36	η_2	0.03
δ_1	0.01	δ_2	0.005	ν_1	0.031	ν_2	0.01
B	0.0001	x_{max}	1200	g	3	μ	0.5
α_1	0.2	α_2	0.01	ω	0.1	μ_e	1
β_1	0.02	β_2	0.002	f	0.5	h	0.5
ϑ_1	0.01	ϑ_2	0.002	\bar{N}_1	20	\bar{N}_2	5
\bar{M}_1	6	\bar{M}_2	1	$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2$	varied	r, τ	variad

3.1. Stability of the steady states of the system

To discuss our global results, we choose three different initial conditions:

IC1: $(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)(0) = (900, 6, 2, 0.02, 3, 0.02, 15, 0.02, 2, 3)$;

IC2: $(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)(0) = (700, 5, 4, 0.08, 5, 0.06, 25, 0.1, 5, 5)$;

IC3: $(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)(0) = (500, 4, 6, 0.15, 6.5, 0.1, 40, 0.2, 7, 8)$;

Let us address three cases for the parameters $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \tau$, and r .

Case (I): Choose $\varepsilon_1 = 0.6, \varepsilon_2 = 0.8, \tau = 1.0$, and $r = 0.009$, which gives $R_0 = 0.1232 < 1$ and $R_1 = 0.0635 < 1$. Therefore, based on Theorem 2.1, the uninfected steady state Π_0 is GAS. As we can see from Figures 1-10 that the concentrations of the uninfected CD4⁺ T cells and macrophages are increased and approached their normal value before infection, that are, $s_1^0 = 1001.7, s_2^0 = 6.4$; while concentrations of the other compartments converge to zero for all the three initial conditions. As a result, the HIV is removed from the plasma.

Case (II): We take $\varepsilon_1 = 0.1, \varepsilon_2 = 0.2, \tau = 0.5$, and $r = 0.009$. For these values, $R_1 = 0.8910 < 1 < R_0 = 2.6577$. Consequently, based on Theorem 2.3, the humoral-inactivated infection steady state Π_1 is GAS. Figures 1-10 confirm that the numerical results support the theoretical results presented in Theorem 2.3. It can be observed that, the variables of the model eventually converge to $\Pi_1 = (443.186, 4.960, 5.143, 0.121, 6.0, 0.089, 36.497, 0.145, 8.088, 0.0)$ for all the three initial conditions. This case corresponds to a chronic HIV infection in the absence of humoral immune response.

Case (III): $\varepsilon_1 = 0.1, \varepsilon_2 = 0.2, \tau = 0.5$, and $r = 0.08$. Then, we calculate $R_0 = 2.6577 > 1$ and $R_1 = 2.1744 > 1$. According to Theorem 2.4, the humoral-activated infection steady state Π_2 is GAS. We can see from Figures 1-10 that, there is a consistency between the numerical results and theoretical results of Theorem 2.4. The states of the system converge to $\Pi_2 = (829.705, 6.118, 1.589, 0.023, 1.853, 0.017, 11.273, 0.028, 1.25, 5.99)$ for all the three initial conditions. In this case the humoral immune response is activated and can control the disease.

3.2. Effect of the time delay on the stability of the system

Choosing $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 0$ and $r = 0.08$, the initial conditions are considered to be $(s_1, s_2, w_1, w_2, y_1, y_2, u_1, u_2, p, x)(0) = (850, 6.2, 2, 0.01, 1.5, 0.01, 10, 0.015, 1, 7)$. Figures 11-20 and Table 2 show the effect of the time delay parameter τ on the stability of Π_0, Π_1 , and Π_2 . Clearly, the parameter τ has similar effect as the drug efficacies parameters ε_1 and ε_2 .

Table 2: The values of steady states, R_0 and R_1 for model (3.1) with different values of τ .

τ	steady states	R_0	R_1
0	$\Pi_2 = (814.16, 6.11, 2.86, 0.04, 3.33, 0.03, 20.27, 0.05, 1.25, 38.42)$	9.22	7.40
0.5	$\Pi_2 = (814.16, 6.11, 1.73, 0.024, 2.02, 0.02, 12.29, 0.03, 1.25, 10.34)$	3.69	2.96
1.0	$\Pi_2 = (814.28, 6.11, 1.05, 1.23, 1.19, 0.011, 7.45, 0.02, 1.25, 0.01)$	1.54	1.24
1.1	$\Pi_1 = (981.43, 6.37, 0.10, 0.00, 0.12, 0.00, 0.73, 0.00, 0.11, 0)$	1.3	1.04
1.2	$\Pi_0 = (1001.7, 6.4, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$	1.1	0.88
1.5	$\Pi_0 = (1001.7, 6.4, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$	0.68	0.54

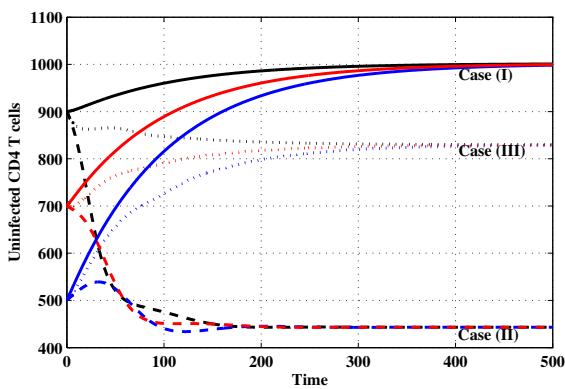


Figure 1: The concentration of uninfected CD4⁺ T cells.

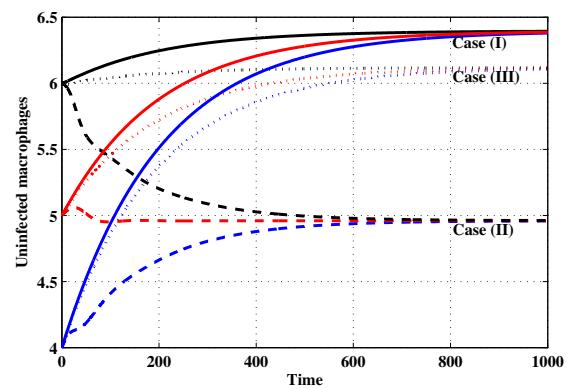


Figure 2: The concentration of uninfected macrophages.

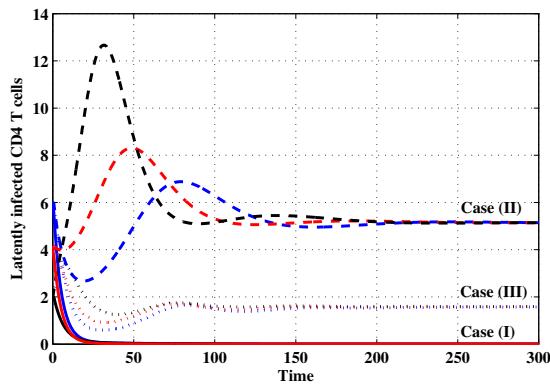


Figure 3: The concentration of latently infected $CD4^+$ T cells.

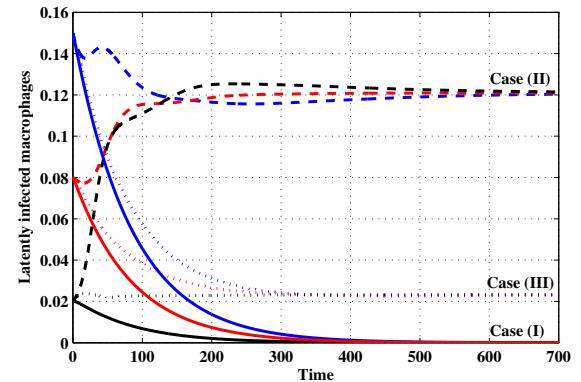


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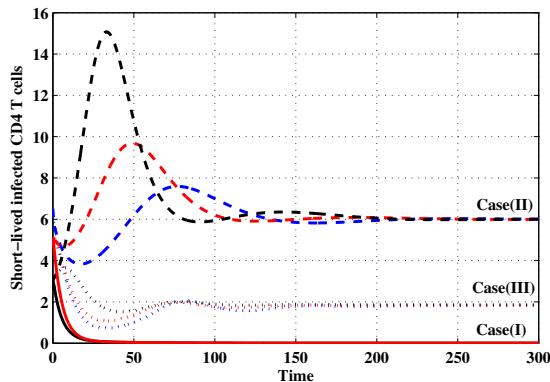


Figure 5: The concentration of short-lived productively infected $CD4^+$ T cells.

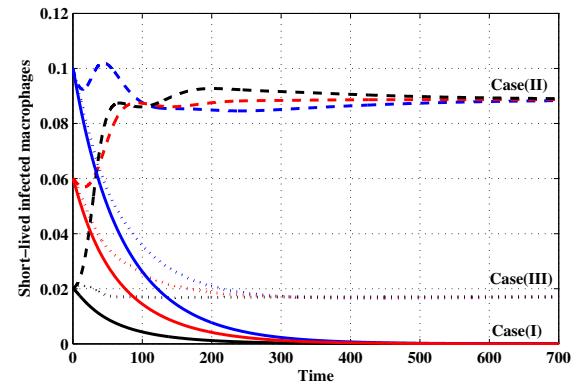


Figure 6: The concentration of short-lived productively infected macrophages.

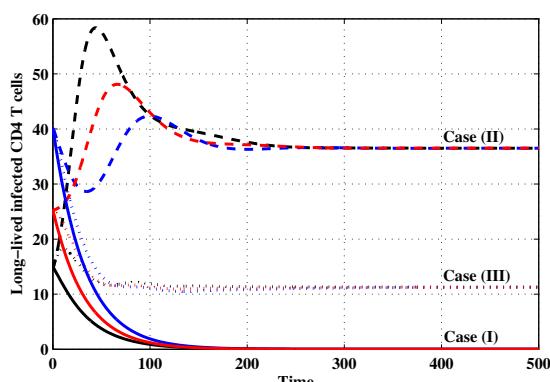


Figure 7: The concentration of long-lived productively infected $CD4^+$ T cells.

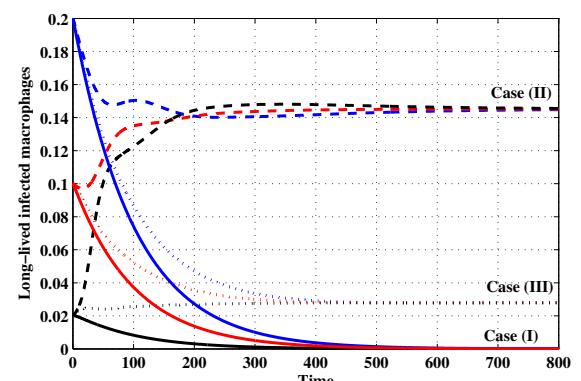


Figure 8: The concentration of long-lived productively infected macrophages.

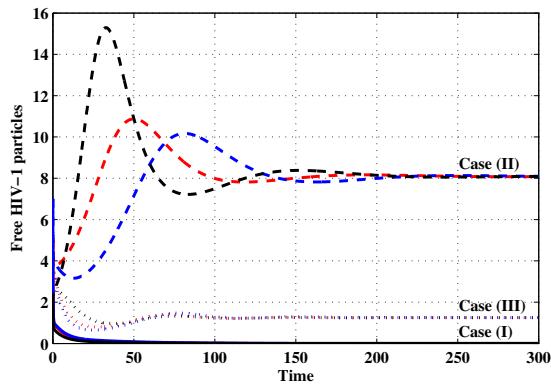


Figure 9: The concentration of free virus particles.

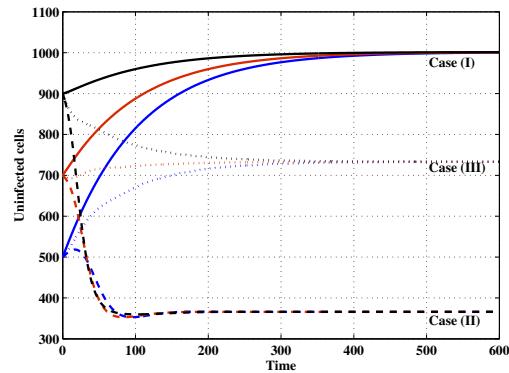


Figure 10: The concentration of B cells.

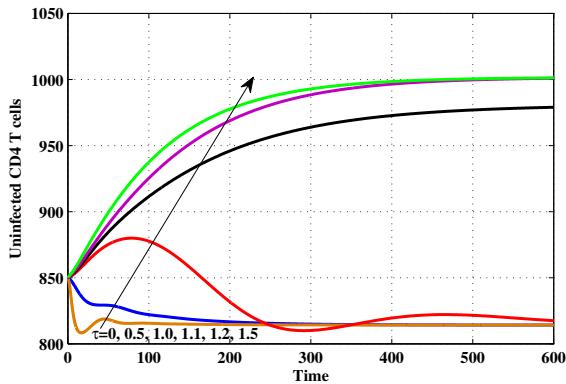
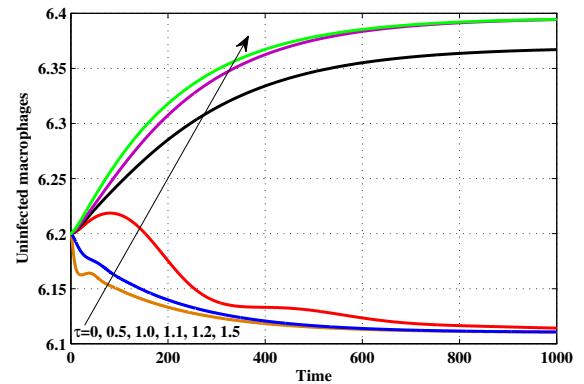
Figure 11: The concentration of uninfected CD4⁺ T cells.

Figure 12: The concentration of uninfected macrophages.

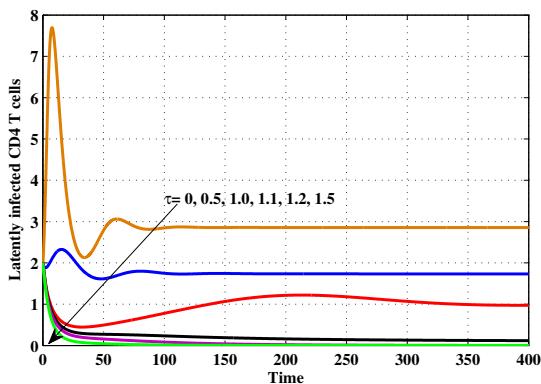
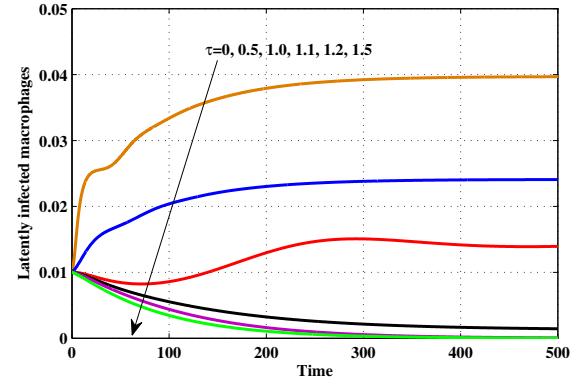
Figure 13: The concentration of latently infected CD4⁺ T cells.

Figure 14: The concentration of latently infected macrophages.

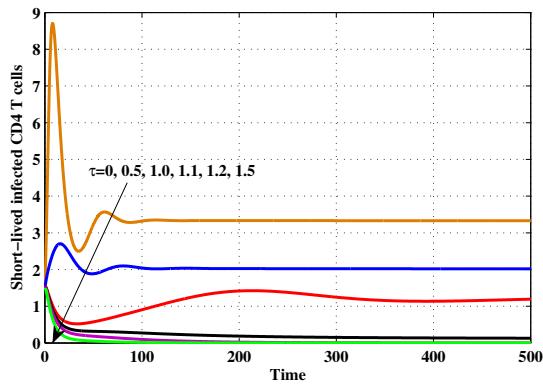


Figure 15: The concentration of short-lived productively infected CD4^+ T cells.

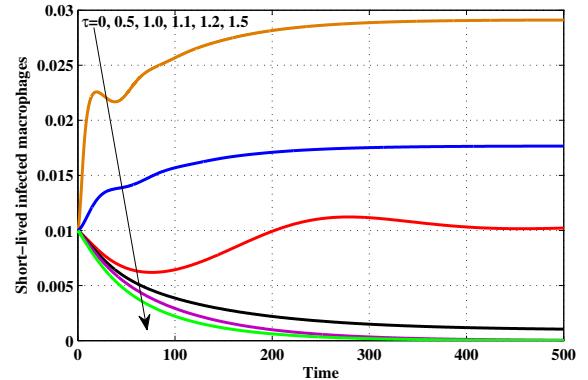


Figure 16: The concentration of short-lived productively infected macrophages.

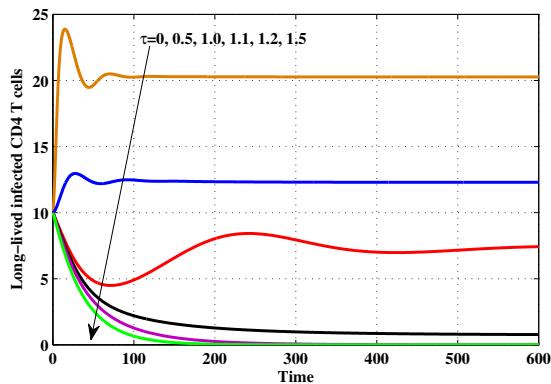


Figure 17: The concentration of long-lived productively infected CD4^+ T cells.

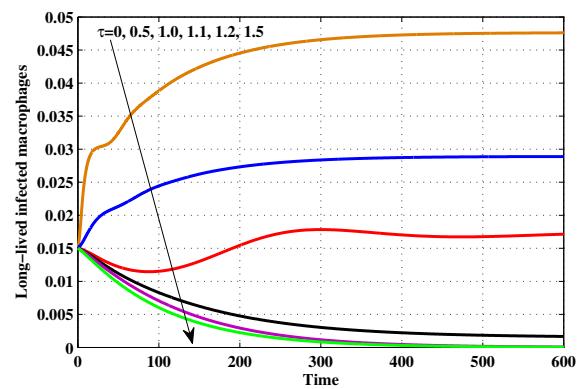


Figure 18: The concentration of long-lived productively infected macrophages.

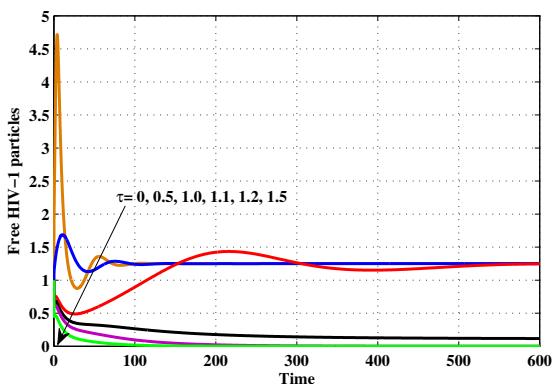


Figure 19: The concentration of free virus particles.

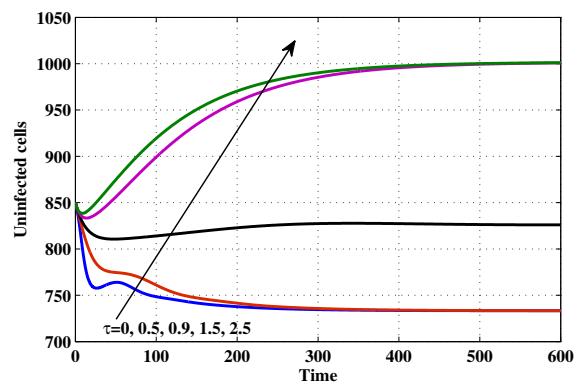


Figure 20: The concentration of B cells.

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