

A Mathematical Model for Assessing How Obesity-Related Factors Aggravate Diabetes

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Abstract

Obesity-related factors have been associated with beta cell dysfunction, potentially leading to Type 2 diabetes. To address this issue, we developed a comprehensive obesity-based diabetes model incorporating fat cells, glucose, insulin, and beta cells. We established the model's global existence, non-negativity, and boundedness. Additionally, we introduced a delay to examine the effects of impaired insulin production resulting from beta-cell dysfunction. Bifurcation analyses were conducted for delay and non-delay models, exploring the model's dynamic transitions through backward and forward Hopf bifurcations. Utilizing the maximal Pontryagin principle, we formulated and evaluated an optimal control problem to mitigate diabetic complications by reducing the prevalence of overweight individuals and halting disease progression. Comparative graphical outputs were generated to demonstrate the beneficial effects of glucose-regulating medication and regular exercise in managing diabetes.

Keywords Type 2 diabetes · Obesity · Bifurcation · Diet control · Delay · Optimal control

1 Introduction

Diabetes is a long-term (chronic) health condition that affects how the body transforms food into energy. Most food is broken down into sugar (glucose) by the body and released into the bloodstream. When blood sugar levels rise, the pancreas releases insulin, which is necessary for transporting blood sugar into cells for use as energy. Type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes, and gestational diabetes are the three forms of diabetes ([https://www.cdc.gov/](https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/basics/gestational.html) [diabetes/basics/gestational.html\)](https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/basics/gestational.html).

1. Type 1 diabetes is caused by an autoimmune reaction (the body accidentally fights itself). Insulin synthesis is halted as a result of this response.

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- 2. With type 2 diabetes, the body does not utilize insulin well and cannot maintain normal blood sugar levels.
- 3. Pregnant women who have never had diabetes acquire the third type of diabetes, i.e., gestational diabetes.

In our work, we focused on the mechanism of type 2 diabetes. Diabetes mellitus type 2 (T2DM) is a major global health concern linked to the obesity pandemic. Insulin resistance is widely regarded as the primary cause of type 2 diabetes. Insulin resistance raises plasma fatty acids, decreasing glucose delivery into muscle cells and boosting fat breakdown, increasing hepatic glucose production. Diabetes type 2 must result from insulin resistance and pancreatic cell failure [\[1](#page-32-0)]. People with type 2 diabetes mellitus are at an increased risk for both microvascular complications (such as retinopathy, nephropathy, and neuropathy) and macrovascular complications (such as cardiovascular comorbidities) due to hyperglycemia and individual components of the insulin resistance (metabolic) syndrome [\[2](#page-32-0)].

Interdisciplinary research of chronic disease dynamics has grown rapidly in recent decades. Mathematical, physics, biology, computer science, statistics, and epidemiological contributions are critical for improving public health [\[3](#page-32-0)]. Mathematical modeling is very important. In this setting, mathematical modeling is critical for understanding the complexities of disease dynamics [\[4,](#page-32-0) [5\]](#page-32-0). Many mathematical models have been developed to understand the mechanism of type 2 diabetes $[2, 6-10]$ $[2, 6-10]$. In 2000, Topp et al. [\[6](#page-32-0)] created a model illustrating beta-cell mass dynamics along with the evolution of type 2 diabetes. The model was a foundation for various diabetes progression models [\[6\]](#page-32-0). De Winter et al. [\[11\]](#page-32-0) created a population pharmacodynamic model comprised of glucose, insulin, and glycosylated hemoglobin differential equations to characterize the impact of treatment on the time course of insulin sensitivity and gradually reduced beta-cell function. Banzi et al. [\[12\]](#page-32-0) devised a mathematical model to explore the dynamic behavior of glucose-insulin which is specific for type 2 diabetic patients. Bergman et al. [\[13\]](#page-32-0) proposed a simple compartmental model of diabetes dynamics in 1981. This mathematical model has been employed in diabetic research [\[14](#page-32-0)]. To explain why fasting hyperinsulinemia can occur decades before hyperglycemia, Joon et al. [[15](#page-32-0)] expanded Topp's model by connecting beta-cell proliferation to beta-cell secretory burden, which can magnify the impact of modest changes in glucose. The model accurately predicted the effect of weight loss and bariatric surgery on the glucose-regulating system. Despite these efforts, a model that depicts the long-term history of diabetes while incorporating diabetogenic elements (such as an obesogenic environment) is only a few. Recently, Yang et al. [\[7\]](#page-32-0) developed a mathematical model to study the role of beta-cell dysfunction on diabetes progression. Environmental and genetic factors contribute to the pathophysiological abnormalities that cause poor glucose homeostasis in type 2 diabetes mellitus [\[2](#page-32-0), [7\]](#page-32-0).

According to various studies [\[2,](#page-32-0) [7](#page-32-0)], obesity, physical inactivity, a high-fat diet, and a diet rich in saturated fatty acids have all been associated with an elevated risk of diabetes. Obesity has become a major global concern due to its rising prevalence and the accompanying cluster of diseases degrading life quality and longevity. It is the abnormal fat deposition in the adipose tissue due to prolonged overeating, limited physical activity, or inherited factors [[10](#page-32-0)]. It raises the chance of developing type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, cancer, and dying prematurely. The global obesity and type 2 diabetes epidemic is worsening. According to the World Health Organisation (WHO) data, global obesity has nearly doubled since 1990 [\[16](#page-32-0)]. Over 1.1 billion individuals are considered overweight, with approximately 320 million classified as obese [\[17\]](#page-32-0). Obesity and diabetes are firmly connected, with around 80% of people with diabetes being obese. Obesity worsens the glucose content in the bloodstream; as a result, the pancreas becomes overworked and wears out. It begins to produce

less insulin. Diabetes develops and rapidly worsens if fat resistance persists ([https://health.](https://health.clevelandclinic.org/diabesity-the-connection-between-obesity-and-diabetes/) [clevelandclinic.org/diabesity-the-connection-between-obesity-and-diabetes/](https://health.clevelandclinic.org/diabesity-the-connection-between-obesity-and-diabetes/)).

The current paper focuses on how beta-cell dysfunction due to the obesity-related factor can worsen the diabetic condition. The following is the outline for the paper: The model is framed in Sect. 2. Section [3](#page-4-0) contributes to the model's analysis (boundedness, equilibrium points, and stability analysis). Section [4](#page-12-0) contributes to the bifurcation analysis. In Sect. [5](#page-16-0), we extend our model and incorporate a delay term. This section is also devoted to the analysis of the delay model. Section [6](#page-21-0) deals with the optimal control problem. Numerical results for both non-delay and delay models are illustrated in Sect. [7.](#page-25-0) Section [8](#page-29-0) is where we interpret our results.

2 Formulation of Model

Obesity and diabetes are complex; however, many studies show that obesity and being overweight increase the likelihood of acquiring type 2 diabetes [[7,](#page-32-0) [18,](#page-32-0) [19](#page-32-0)]. Mathematical models are used for depicting the progression and analyzing its nature. It is a combination of low pancreatic-cell insulin production and peripheral insulin resistance. Saturated fats have been linked to insulin resistance and beta-cell malfunction, according to [\[9](#page-32-0)]. To function normally, the human body relies on strict management of blood glucose levels. Insulin, produced in the pancreas by beta cells, stimulates glucose utilization by target cells and is essential for blood glucose control. High blood glucose levels stimulate the release of insulin from betacell secretory granules, which aids in the restoration of glucose concentrations to normal. When the glucose level drops, insulin secretion eventually stops. The glucose regulatory system can maintain glucose homeostasis for individuals free from diabetogenic events [[7\]](#page-32-0).

What happens when a person is obese is still a controversial question. However, findings suggest that if a person is obese or overweight, the amount of glucose level increases in his body [\[1](#page-32-0)]. Increased glucose levels, combined with increased NEFA (non-esterified fatty acids), can synergistically affect beta-cell health and insulin function [\[20,](#page-32-0) [21](#page-33-0)]. Type 2 diabetes is a heterogeneous condition characterized most commonly by insulin resistance, which is a state of decreased insulin-mediated glucose absorption caused by the pancreatic beta cells' failure to make and produce adequate insulin to fulfill the required demands [[17](#page-32-0), [22](#page-33-0)]. The findings suggest that increased fat breakdown leads to increased hepatic glucose generation [\[1](#page-32-0)]. When blood glucose levels rise, beta-cells in the pancreatic islets secrete insulin, further decreasing blood glucose levels by acting on specific tissues [\[8](#page-32-0)]. Few math-ematical models are designed in this direction [[7,](#page-32-0) [23\]](#page-33-0).

Motivated by the above-described mechanism, we have formulated an obesity-based diabetes model. The model is organized into four compartmental representations of the human body, with each compartment representing an organ or tissue that is connected by blood flow, namely, glucose concentration *(G)*, insulin concentration *(I)*, beta-cell mass *(B)*, and obesity-related factor (F) . In this work, we have considered the following assumptions:

- As glucose growth and death occur naturally, the parameter *a* represents the average daily glucose infusion rate (with meal consumption as the primary source), including hepatic glucose generation. The term d_1G refers to the insulin-independent elimination of glucose [\[6](#page-32-0)].
- Yang et al., [\[7](#page-32-0)], designed the enhanced hepatic glucose production to be a power function of obesity-related factor as *F^α*, which can be estimated by the extent to which the pathogenic factor affects the rate of glucose generation. In our work, we employ the same

$$
\overline{1+pG+qF}
$$

power function by assuming *α* as 1 ($F¹$) to show the role of obesity-related factors in glucose growth.

- We suggest a novel functional response, $\frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF}$, to imitate the mechanism of insulin and fat-dependent glucose swings. It is similar to the Holling type 2 functional response but includes an additional term that describes mutual interference by an obesityrelated factor (qF) . Glucose consumption saturates the Holling type II functional response, and glucose has high per-capita mortality at low densities and falling mortality as density increases. Here, *b* denotes the rate of decrease in glucose level due to insulin, *q* describes the rate of mutual interference by the obesity-related factor, and *p* is the glucose saturation constant. Figure 1, describes the behavior of the function. We can observe that the function attains its maxima when no obesity-related factors are present and glucose levels are normal. This means that the natural glucose removal process due to insulin is working effectively. However, at high-fat levels, the function's value tends to zero, thus depicting low removal of glucose due to hampering insulin function by obesity-related factors.
- We have considered Holling type-II functional response, $\frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G}$, to model the interaction between glucose and beta-cells, which results in insulin production. This functional response accounts for the fact that beta and glucose interaction produces insulin; however, the production rate saturates at high glucose levels, and declining glucose levels can increase insulin density.
- Holling type-II response, $\frac{hG}{k_2 + G}$, is also considered to model glucose and beta-cell interaction resulting in beta-cell growth.
- There is growing evidence that accumulating harmful compounds within beta-cells in obese patients promotes beta-cell death, eventually leading to diabetes [\[7\]](#page-32-0). We have demonstrated that beta-cell dysfunction is caused by an obesity-related component (δF^2B) .
- Considering that obesity-related factors grow slowly to a maximum limit in humans, we employ logistic growth [\[7](#page-32-0)].

The ODE model is developed and illustrated below based on the aforementioned assumptions:

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = a - \frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G,\tag{1}
$$

$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G} - d_2 I,\tag{2}
$$

$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = \left(\frac{hG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 - d_3\right)B,\tag{3}
$$

$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = rF\left(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}\right). \tag{4}
$$

All of the model's parameters are positive, and their descriptions are shown in Table 1. In addition, Fig. [2](#page-5-0) depicts the schematic diagram of the obesity-based diabetes model.

3 Analysis of the Model

In this section, we examine the boundedness, positivity, existence, and stability behavior of the system's $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ steady-state solutions.

3.1 Boundedness

To ensure that the model [\(1](#page-3-0))-(4) is well-posed, we examine the boundedness in this section.

Theorem 3.1 *Assume that all the initial conditions are non-negative and the condition* $h\bar{G}$ $\frac{d\tilde{G}}{d_{\tilde{K}_2}} < d_3$, *holds*, *where* $\tilde{G} = max\left(G(0), \frac{a+c\tilde{F}}{d_1}\right)$, *then the solutions of the system* [\(1](#page-3-0))*-* (4) *is bounded in* \mathbb{R}^4_+ .

Fig. 2 Schematic diagram for obesity-based diabetes model ([1\)](#page-3-0)-([4\)](#page-4-0)

Proof From Eq. ([4](#page-4-0)), we have

$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = rF\left(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}\right)
$$

Hence, we get

$$
\limsup_{t\to\infty} F(t) \leq k_3.
$$

Then, we call the upper bound of *F* as

$$
\bar{F} = max(F(0), k_3). \tag{5}
$$

From Eq. (1) , we have

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = a - \frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G
$$

\n
$$
\leq a + c\overline{F} - d_1G, \quad \text{where } \overline{F} \text{ is taken from Eq. (5)}
$$

Hence, we have

$$
G(t) \leq \frac{a+c\bar{F}}{d_1} + C_4 e^{-d_1t},
$$

where C_4 is a constant. Taking,

$$
\limsup_{t\to\infty} G(t) \leq \frac{a+c\bar{F}}{d_1}.
$$

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Hence, we get the upper bound of *G* as

$$
\bar{G} = max\left(G(0), \frac{a + c\bar{F}}{d_1}\right).
$$
\n(6)

From Eq. (3) , we have

$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = \frac{hBG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 B - d_3 B
$$

$$
\leq \frac{hB\bar{G}}{k_2} - d_3 B, \qquad \text{where } \bar{G} \text{ is defined in Eq. (6)}
$$

Hence, we have

$$
B(t) \leq e^{\left(\frac{h\bar{G}}{k_2} - d_3\right)t} + e^{C_6}
$$

where C_6 is a constant.

Taking,

$$
\limsup_{t\to\infty} B(t) \leq e^{C_6} \text{ if } \frac{h\bar{G}}{k_2} < d_3.
$$

Then, we get the upper bound of *B* as

$$
\bar{B} = \max(B(0), e^{C_6}).\tag{7}
$$

From Eq. [\(2\)](#page-4-0), we have

$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G} - d_2I,
$$

\n
$$
\leq \frac{\mu \bar{B}\bar{G}}{k_1} - d_2I,
$$
 where \bar{G} and \bar{B} is taken from Eq. (6) and Eq. (7)

Hence, we get

$$
I(t) \leq \frac{\mu \bar{B}\bar{G}}{k_1 d_2} + C_5 e^{-d_2 t},
$$

where C_5 is a constant. Taking,

$$
\limsup_{t\to\infty} I(t) \leq \frac{\mu\bar{B}\bar{G}}{k_1d_2}.
$$

Hence, we have the upper bound of *I* as

$$
\bar{I} = max(I(0), \frac{\mu \bar{B}\bar{G}}{k_1 d_2}).
$$
\n(8)

Hence, from above, we conclude that our system is bounded. \Box

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3.2 Positivity of the Solutions

To ensure that the system solution ([1](#page-3-0))-([4\)](#page-4-0) is positive for all $t \ge 0$, we calculate the lower bound as follows:

From the first equation of the system $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$, we have,

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = a - \frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G,
$$

\n
$$
\geq -b\overline{I}G - d_1G, \text{ where } \overline{I} \text{ is taken from Eq. (8)}
$$

Hence, we have

$$
G(t) \geq C_0 e^{-(b\bar{I} + d_1)t},
$$

where C_0 is a constant.

Taking $\lim t \to \infty$, we get

 $G(t) \geq 0$.

From the second equation of the system $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$, we have,

$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G} - d_2I
$$

$$
\ge -d_2I
$$

Hence, we have

$$
I(t) \geq C_1 e^{-d_2 t},
$$

where C_1 is a constant.

Taking $\lim t \to \infty$, we get

 $I(t) \geq 0$.

From third equation of the system $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$, we have,

$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = \frac{hBG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 B - d_3 B,
$$

\n
$$
\geq -\delta \bar{F}^2 B - d_3 B,
$$
 where \bar{F} is taken from Eq. (5)

Hence, we have

$$
B(t) \geq C_2 e^{-(d_3 + \delta \bar{F}^2)t},
$$

where C_2 is a constant.

Taking $\lim t \to \infty$, we get

 $B(t) \geq 0$.

From the last equation of the system $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$, we have,

$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = rF(1 - \frac{F}{k_3})
$$

Hence, we have

$$
F(t) \geq C_3 e^{-rt},
$$

where C_3 is a constant.

Taking $\lim t \to \infty$, we get

 $F(t) > 0$.

3.3 Existence of Equilibrium Points

Proposition 1 *For system* [\(1](#page-3-0))*-*([4](#page-4-0)), *there exist four potential equilibrium points as follows*:

1. *Totally glucose point:* $E_1 = (G_1, I_1, B_1, F_1) = \frac{a}{4}$ $\left(\frac{a}{d_1}, 0, 0, 0\right)$ has only glucose level present and it always exist.

2. *Glucose and obesity-related factor point* : $E_2 = (G_2, I_2, B_2, F_2) = \left(\frac{a + ck_3}{4}\right)$ $\left(\frac{+ck_3}{d_1}, 0, 0, k_3 \right)$

has only glucose level and obesity-related factor present, and it always exists.

3. *Free from obesity-related factor point* :

$$
E_3=(G_3, I_3, B_3, F_3)=\left(-\frac{d_3k_2}{d_3-h}, \frac{XY}{bd_3(d_3-h)k_2}, -\frac{ZXY}{bd_3^2(d_3-h)k_2^2\mu}, 0\right),\,
$$

where $X = (ad_3 - ah + d_1d_3k_2)$, $Y = (h + d_3k_2p - d_3)$ and $Z = d_2(d_3k_1 - hk_1 - d_3k_2)$ is free from obesity-related factor and it exists if the following condition holds: $d_3 < h$ and $d_3(a + d_1k_2) < ah$.

4. *Disease-endemic point* :

$$
E_4 = (G_4, I_4, B_4, F_4) = \left(\frac{d_3k_2 + \delta k_2k_3^2}{h - d_3 - \delta k_3^2}, \frac{UW}{bk_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2)(h - d_3 - \delta k_3^2)}, \frac{TUW}{V}, k_3\right),
$$

where $U = ad_3 - ah + d_1d_3k_2 + cd_3k_3 - chk_3 + a\delta k_3^2 + d_1\delta k_2k_3^2 + c\delta k_3^3$, $V = bk_2^2(d_3 +$ $(\delta k_3^2)^2(h - d_3 - \delta k_3^2)\mu$, $T = d_2(d_3k_1 - hk_1 - d_3k_2 + \delta k_1k_3^2 - \delta k_2k_3^2)$ and $W = d_3 - h +$ $\delta k_3^2 - d_3k_2p - \delta k_2k_3^2p + d_3k_3q - hk_3q + \delta k_3^3q$ has all factors present and it exists if the following condition holds: $h > d_3 + \delta k_3^2$, $\left(a > 0 \text{ and } c \geq -\frac{d_1 k_2 (d_3 + \delta k_3^2)}{k_1 (d_3 - k_1 + \delta k_2^2)}\right)$ $k_3(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)$.

3.4 Stability Analysis

The general Jacobian form of $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ model is as follows:

$$
J = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{bGIp}{(1+Gp+Fq)^2} - \frac{bI}{1+Gp+Fq} & -\frac{bG}{1+Gp+Fq} - d_1 & 0 & c + \frac{bGIq}{(1+Gp+Fq)^2} \\ \frac{B\mu}{G+k_1} - \frac{BG\mu}{(G+k_1)^2} & -d_2 & \frac{G\mu}{G+k_1} & 0 \\ \frac{B\hbar}{G+k_2} - \frac{BG\hbar}{(G+k_2)^2} & 0 & \frac{G\hbar}{G+k_2} - d_3 - \delta F^2 & -2B\delta F \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & (1 - \frac{F}{k_3})r - \frac{Fr}{k_3} \end{pmatrix}
$$

To test the stability of the equilibrium points, we execute the following:

- 1. For the equilibrium point *E*₁: The eigenvalues are $\left(-d_1, -d_2, \frac{ah}{a + d_1k_2} d_3, r\right)$. Here, one of the eigenvalue is positive so E_1 is always unstable.
- 2. For the equilibrium point *E*₂: The eigenvalues are $\left(-d_1, -d_2, \frac{h(a+ck_3)}{a+d_1k_2+ck_3} d_3 \frac{h(a+ck_3)}{a+d_1k_3+ck_3} \right)$ δk_3^2 , $-r$) and *E*₂ is stable if the following condition hold $d_3 > \frac{h(a + ck_3)}{a + d_1k_2 + ck_3}$.
- 3. For the equilibrium point E_3 : The eigenvalues are $(r, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$, where λ_i 's are roots of the characteristic polynomial

$$
\lambda^3 + R_1 \lambda^2 + R_2 \lambda + R_3
$$

where

$$
R_1 = \frac{a(d_3 - h)^2 + d_3k_2(d_2(h - d_3) + (d_1 + d_2)d_3k_2p)}{d_3k_2(h + d_3(k_2p - 1))},
$$

\n
$$
R_2 = \frac{d_1d_2d_3k_2(d_3^2k_2^2p - (d_3 - h)^2k_1) + ad_2(d_3 - h)^2(2hk_1 + d_3(k_2 + k_1k_2p - 2k_1))}{d_3k_2(hk_1 + d_3(k_2 - k_1))(h + d_3(k_2p - 1))},
$$

\n
$$
R_3 = \frac{d_2(d_3 - h)(a(d_3 - h) + d_1d_3k_2)}{hk_2}.
$$

One of the eigenvalues, i.e., $'r'$, is always positive, so E_3 is always unstable.

4. For the equilibrium point E_4 : The eigenvalues are $(-r, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3)$, where σ_i 's are roots of the characteristic polynomial

$$
F(\sigma) = \sigma^3 + S_1 \sigma^2 + S_2 \sigma + S_3 \tag{9}
$$

where

$$
S_1 = d_2 + \frac{d_1 k_2^2 (d_3 + \delta k_3^2)^2 p + a(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)^2 (1 + k_3 q) + ck_3 (d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)^2 (1 + k_3 q)}{k_2 (d_3 + \delta k_3^2) (h(1 + k_3 q) - d_3 (1 - k_2 p + k_3 q) - \delta k_3^2 (1 - k_2 p + k_3 q))},
$$

\n
$$
S_2 = \frac{A}{k_2 (d_3 + \delta k_3^2) (h k_1 + d_3 C + \delta C k_3^2)}
$$

\n
$$
B
$$

\n
$$
h(1 + k_3 q) - d_3 (1 - k_2 p + k_3 q) - \delta k_3^2 (1 - k_2 p + k_3 q),
$$

where

$$
A = d_2(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)(d_1k_1k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2) + a(2d_3k_1 - 2hk_1 - d_3k_2 + \delta(2k_1 - k_2)k_3^2) + c k_3(2d_3k_1 - 2hk_1 - d_3k_2 + \delta(2k_1 - k_2)k_3^2),
$$

\n
$$
B = d_2(d_1k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2) + a(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2) + ck_3(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2))p,
$$

\n
$$
C = k_2 - k_1,
$$

\n
$$
S_3 = \frac{d_2(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)(d_1k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2) + a(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2) + ck_3(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2))}{hk_2}.
$$

The first eigenvalue is always negative and from Routh-Hurwitz conditions [\[24\]](#page-33-0), *E*⁴ is locally asymptotically stable if

$$
S_1 > 0, S_2 > 0, S_3 > 0, S_1 S_2 - S_3 > 0
$$

holds.

Proposition 2 *If* $S_1 > 0$, $S_2 > 0$, $S_3 > 0$, and $S_1S_2 - S_3 > 0$ hold, the equilibrium point E_4 *is locally asymptotically stable*.

3.5 Global Stability

The following theorem gives us sufficient conditions for the equilibrium point E_4 to be globally asymptotically stable.

Theorem 3.2 *Assume that the following conditions hold*

$$
a \geq \frac{2G_4k_3}{r} \left(\left(\frac{c}{\bar{G}} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1 + p\bar{G} + q\bar{F})(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)} \right)^2, \frac{cF_4d_2}{2G_4} \geq \frac{\mu^2k_1^2}{(k_1 + \bar{G})^2(k_1 + G_4)^2},
$$

\n
$$
d_2d_3 \geq \frac{2\mu^2G_4^2}{(k_1 + \bar{G})^2},
$$

\n
$$
b p \geq \frac{hk_2^2(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}{(k_2 + \bar{G})^2(k_2 + G_4)G_4},
$$

\n
$$
r \geq \frac{2\delta F_4^2k_3}{\bar{F}^2}.
$$

\n(10)

where \bar{F} *and* \bar{G} *are defined in Eqs.* ([5](#page-5-0)) *and* ([6\)](#page-6-0) *respectively.*

Then the equilibrium point $E_4 = (G_4, I_4, B_4, F_4)$ *of system* [\(1\)](#page-3-0)-[\(4](#page-4-0)) *is globally asymptotically stable*.

Proof Let us choose a positive definite function,

$$
V(t) = G - G_4 - G_4 \ln\left(\frac{G}{G_4}\right) + \frac{1}{2} (I - I_4)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (B - B_4)^2 + F - F_4 - F_4 \ln\left(\frac{F}{F_4}\right).
$$

Finding the derivatives along the positive solution of system $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ $(1)-(4)$ yields

$$
\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dG}{dt} \left(\frac{G - G_4}{G} \right) + \frac{dI}{dt} (I - I_4) + \frac{dB}{dt} (B - B_4) + \frac{dF}{dt} \left(\frac{F - F_4}{F} \right),
$$

$$
= \left(\frac{G - G_4}{G} \right) \left[a - \frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G \right] + (I - I_4) \left[\frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G} - d_2I \right]
$$

$$
+ (B - B_4) \left[\left(\frac{hG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 - d_3 \right) B \right] + \left(\frac{F - F_4}{F} \right) \left[rF(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}) \right].
$$

Hence, we obtain

$$
\frac{dV}{dt} = -\left[\frac{a}{GG_4}(G - G_4)^2 - \left(\frac{c}{G} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1 + pG + qF)(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}\right)(F - F_4)(G - G_4) + \frac{r}{2k_3}(F - F_4)^2\right]
$$

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$$
-\left[\frac{cF_4}{GG_4}(G-G_4)^2 - \frac{\mu k_1 B}{(k_1+G)(k_1+G_4)}(G-G_4)(I-I_4) + \frac{d_2}{2}(I-I_4)^2\right] -\left[\frac{d_2}{2}(I-I_4)^2 - \frac{\mu G_4}{k_1+G}(I-I_4)(B-B_4) + d_3(B-B_4)^2\right] -\left[-\frac{-hG_4}{(k_2+G_4)}(B-B_4)^2 - \frac{k_2 hB}{(k_2+G_4)(k_2+G)}(B-B_4)(G-G_4) \right] -\frac{bpl}{(1+pG+qF)(1+pG_4+qF_4)}(G-G_4)^2
$$
\n
$$
-\left[\delta F^2(B-B_4)^2 + \delta B(F+F_4)(F-F_4)(B-B_4) + \frac{r}{2k_3}(F-F_4)^2\right].
$$

Let $A_0^* = \frac{a}{GG_4}, B_0^* = \frac{r}{2k_3}, C_0^* = \frac{c}{G} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1 + pG + qF)(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}$. For $\frac{dV}{dt}$ to be negative definite we must have the following,

$$
A_0^* B_0^* - C_0^{*^2} \ge 0 \Longrightarrow \frac{a}{GG_4} \frac{r}{2k_3} - \left(\frac{c}{G} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1 + pG + qF)(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}\right)^2 \ge 0
$$

$$
\Longrightarrow \frac{a}{G_4} \frac{r}{2k_3} - \left(\frac{c}{\bar{G}} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1 + p\bar{G} + q\bar{F})(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}\right)^2 \ge 0,
$$

where \bar{F} and \bar{G} are defined in Eqs. [\(5](#page-5-0)) and ([6\)](#page-6-0)

$$
\implies a \geq \frac{2G_4k_3}{r} \left(\frac{c}{\bar{G}} + \frac{bqI_4}{(1+p\bar{G}+q\bar{F})(1+pG_4+qF_4)} \right)^2.
$$

Again, let $A_1^* = \frac{cF_4}{GG_4}$, $B_1^* = \frac{d_2}{2}$, $C_1^* = \frac{\mu k_1 B}{(k_1 + G)(k_1 + G_4)}$. Similarly,

$$
A_1^* B_1^* - C_1^{*^2} \ge 0 \implies \frac{cF_4}{GG_4} \frac{d_2}{2} - \left(\frac{\mu k_1 B}{(k_1 + G)(k_1 + G_4)}\right)^2 \ge 0,
$$

$$
\implies \frac{cF_4 d_2}{2G_4} \ge \frac{\mu^2 k_1^2}{(k_1 + \bar{G})^2 (k_1 + G_4)^2}, \text{ where } \bar{G} \text{ is defined in Eq. (6)}.
$$

Again, let $A_2^* = \frac{d_2}{2}$, $B_2^* = d_3$, $C_2^* = \frac{\mu G_4}{(k_1 + G)}$. Similarly,

$$
A_2^* B_2^* - C_2^{*^2} \ge 0 \Longrightarrow \frac{d_2 d_3}{2} - \left(\frac{\mu G_4}{k_1 + G}\right)^2 \ge 0
$$

$$
\Longrightarrow d_2 d_3 \ge \frac{2\mu^2 G_4^2}{(k_1 + \bar{G})^2}, \text{ where } \bar{G} \text{ is defined in Eq. (6).}
$$

Again, let

$$
A_3^* = -\frac{hG_4}{(k_2 + G_4)}, \qquad B_3^* = -\frac{bpI}{(1 + pG + qF)(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)},
$$

$$
C_3^* = -\frac{k_2hB}{(k_2 + G)(k_2 + G_4)}.
$$

Similarly,

$$
A_3^* B_3^* - C_3^{*^2} \ge 0 \Longrightarrow \frac{hG_4}{(k_2 + G_4)} \frac{b p I}{(1 + pG + qF)(1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}
$$

$$
- \left(-\frac{k_2 h B}{(k_2 + G)(k_2 + G_4)} \right)^2 \ge 0
$$

$$
\Longrightarrow b p \ge \frac{h k_2^2 (1 + pG_4 + qF_4)}{(k_2 + \bar{G})^2 (k_2 + G_4) G_4}, \text{ where } \bar{G} \text{ is defined in Eq. (6).}
$$

Again, let $A_4^* = \delta F^2$, $B_4^* = \frac{r}{2k_3}$, $C_4^* = -\delta B(F + F_4)$. Similarly,

$$
A_4^* B_4^* - C_4^{*2} \ge 0 \Longrightarrow \delta F^2 \frac{r}{2k_3} - (-\delta B(F + F_4))^2 \ge 0
$$

$$
\Longrightarrow r \ge \frac{2\delta F_4^2 k_3}{\bar{F}^2}, \text{ where } \bar{F} \text{ is defined in Eq. (5)}.
$$

Under the assumption [\(10\)](#page-10-0), we have $\frac{dV(t)}{dt} < 0$. As a result of Lasalle's invariance prin-ciple [[25](#page-33-0)], the global asymptotic stability of E_4 follows. This completes the proof. \Box

4 Bifurcation Analysis

The bifurcations and related dynamical behaviors of many human disease models are studied thoroughly by many researchers [\[23,](#page-33-0) [26\]](#page-33-0). In this section, we will also investigate the existence of bifurcation in model system ([1\)](#page-3-0)-[\(4\)](#page-4-0).

Theorem 4.1 Let
$$
d_{1c} = \frac{(a + ck_3)(h - d_3 - \delta k_3^2)}{k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2)}
$$
. For system (1)-(4), the equilibrium point
 $E_2\left(\frac{a + ck_3}{d_1}, 0, 0, k_3\right)$ is

- *stable if* $d_1 > d_{1c}$.
- *unstable if* $d_1 < d_{1c}$.
- *a saddle node if* $d_1 = d_{1c}$.

Proof From the Jacobian (*J*) provided in Sect. [3.4,](#page-8-0) we get the characteristic equation at $E_2\left(\frac{a + ck_3}{l}\right)$ $\frac{f + ck_3}{d_1}$, 0, 0, k_3 as

$$
(d_1 + \lambda)(d_2 + \lambda)(r + \lambda)(d_1k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2 + \lambda) + a(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2 + \lambda) + ck_3(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2 + \lambda)) = 0,
$$

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Table 2 Parameter values used for numerical simulation

Fig. 3 Bifurcation diagram at E_2 for bifurcating parameter *d*1. Here, BP, represents the saddle point. When d_1 < BP, E_2 is unstable, when $d_1 > BP$, E_2 is stable

which have three negative roots i.e. $\lambda_1 = -d_1$, $\lambda_2 = -d_2$, $\lambda_3 = -r$ and the fourth root is $\lambda_4 = \frac{h(a + ck_3)}{a + d_1k_2 + ck_3} - d_3 - \delta k_3^2$, therefore $\lambda_4 = 0$ if $d_1 = d_{1c} = -\frac{(a + ck_3)(d_3 - h + \delta k_3^2)}{k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2)}$ $k_2(d_3 + \delta k_3^2)$ and $\lambda_4 > 0$ (< 0) if $d_1 < (>) d_{1c}$.

This analysis shows that when d_1 crosses a critical value d_{1c} , E_2 becomes locally asymptotically stable. It may be noted that below this critical point, two equilibriums E_2 and E_4 exist. However, the equilibrium E_4 vanishes as $d_1 > d_{1c}$.

Example 4.1 Consider $d_1 = 0.091$, $d_2 = 0.075$, $k_2 = 900$, $\delta = 0.01$, $k_3 = 5.7$ and other parameters as defined in Table 2. We note that a saddle point occurs (represented by BP) at $d_1 = d_{1c} = 11.882115$. At this critical point the eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = -11.8821$, $\lambda_2 = -0.075$, $\lambda_3 = -0.55$, $\lambda_4 = 0$. When $d_1 < d_{1c}$, the equilibrium point E_2 is unstable, and as $d_1 > d_{1c}$, E_2 becomes stable, i.e., a stable branch is observed (c.f. 3).

Theorem 4.2 *The equilibrium point* $E_4(G_4, I_4, B_4, F_4)$ *undergoes two Hopf bifurcation with respect to bifurcation parameter d*3.

Proof The equilibrium point E_4 has two pure complex eigenvalues if

$$
S_2S_1=S_3,
$$

let these two eigenvalues be represented as

$$
\sigma_{1,2}=\pm i\alpha,
$$

for some positive real number *α*.

Since the sum of three zeros of Eq. [\(9\)](#page-9-0) is $\sum_{i=1}^{3} \sigma_i = -S_1$, then we get $\sigma_3 = -S_1$. Then we have $F(\sigma_3) = 0$, which gives us the critical values of d_3 ,

i.e.

$$
d_3 = d_{3c_1}
$$
 and $d_3 = d_{3c_2}$.

Now, to verify the transversality condition, let us consider,

$$
F(\sigma_j) \equiv \sigma_j^3 + S_1 \sigma_j^2 + S_2 \sigma_j + S_3 = 0
$$
, for $j = 1, 2$

therefore,

$$
\frac{\partial F}{\partial d_3} = (3\sigma_j^2 + 2\sigma_j S_1 + S_2) \frac{\partial \sigma_j}{\partial d_3} + \sigma_j^2 S_1' + \sigma_j S_2' + S_3' = 0,
$$

hence

$$
\frac{\partial \sigma_j}{\partial d_3} = -\frac{\sigma_j^2 S_1' + \sigma_j S_2' + S_3'}{S_2 + 2S_1 \sigma_j + 3\sigma_j^2},
$$

we get

$$
\Re\left(\frac{\partial\sigma_j}{\partial d_3}\right)\Big|_{d_3=d_{3_{c_{1,2}}}}=-\frac{(3\alpha^4S'_1-\alpha^2S'_1S_2-3S'_3\alpha^2+S'_3S_2+2\alpha^2S'_2S_1)}{(S_2-3\alpha^2)^2+4\alpha^2S_1^2}\neq 0.
$$

Hence, the system undergoes Hopf bifurcation at E_4 for some critical values of d_3 .

It is difficult to find the critical points analytically, thus prompting the exploration of numerical alternatives. Subsequently, we validate these findings numerically. Following the procedure presented in [[27](#page-33-0)] and considering the parameters value same as discussed in Ex-ample [4.1](#page-13-0), the equilibrium point $E_4(G_4, I_4, B_4, F_4)$, in terms of d_3 is given by

$$
G_4 = \frac{292.41 + 900.d_3}{(1.6591 - d_3)},
$$

\n
$$
I_4 = \frac{d_3(68851.5d_3 - 85584.7) - 39044.3}{(d_3 - 1.6591)(0.3249 + d_3)},
$$

\n
$$
B_4 = \frac{d_3(d_3(46.4854d_3 - 16.3292) - 77.8892) - 23.5075}{(d_3 + 0.3249)^2(d_3 - 1.6591)},
$$

\n
$$
F_4 = 5.7.
$$

The feasibility condition for E_4 to exist requires $0 < d_3 < 1.59792$ (see Fig. [4\)](#page-15-0). In this d_3 feasible range, S_1 is positive and S_3 is positive whenever E_4 is feasible, that is, in the range $d_3 \in$ *(*0*,* 1*.*59792*)* while *S*1*S*² −*S*³ is positive for *d*³ ∈ *(*0*,* 0*.*109415*)* and *d*³ ∈ *(*1*.*52208*,* 1*.*59792*)* (see Fig. 5 and for magnified version see Fig. 6).

Since the existence of this equilibrium point E_4 is upto $d_3 = 1.59792$, hence we discuss the scenario of stability for $d_3 \in (0, 1.59792)$.

• At $d_3 = d_{3c_1} = 0.109415$, we have

$$
S_1 > 0
$$
, $S_2 > 0$ and $S_1 S_2 - S_3 \approx 0$ with $\frac{d}{d d_3} (S_1 S_2 - S_3) \Big|_{d_3 = d_{3c_1}} \neq 0$.

Fig. 4 Feasible region of d_3 for the co-existence of all the four densities

Fig. 5 Plot showing the occurrence of Hopf bifurcation at $H_1 = 0.109415$ and $H_2 = 1.52205$ when curve $S_1 S_2 - S_3$ crosses the *x*-axis

This establishes the first Hopf bifurcation point *(H*1*)*.

• At $d_3 = d_{3c_2} = 1.52205$, we have

$$
S_1 > 0
$$
, $S_2 > 0$ and $S_1 S_2 - S_3 \approx 0$ with $\frac{d}{d d_3} (S_1 S_2 - S_3) \Big|_{d_3 = d_{3c_2}} \neq 0$.

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Fig. 6 (a) Plot showing the magnified version of region R_1 of Fig. [5](#page-15-0). This figure clearly shows the occurrence of 1st Hopf Bifurcation (*H*₁) at $d_3 = d_{3c_1} = 0.109415$, (b) Plot showing the magnified version of region R_2 of Fig. [5](#page-15-0). This figure shows the occurrence of 2nd Hopf Bifurcation (*H*₂) at $d_3 = d_{3c_2} = 1.52205$

This establishes the second Hopf bifurcation point (H_2) .

Fig. [7\(](#page-17-0)a, c) shows the branch of E_4 and its stability w.r.t bifurcation parameter d_3 . We observe that the equilibrium point $E_4(G_4, I_4, B_4, F_4)$ is stable for $d_3 < d_{3c_1}$ and unstabilizes through Hopf-bifurcation *(H₁)* at $d_3 = d_{3c_1} = 0.109415$ and it again stabilizes through Hopf-bifurcation (*H*₂) giving us another critical value of d_3 i.e. $d_3 = d_{3c} = 1.52205$. In the bifurcation diagram [7](#page-17-0) the variations of the glucose and beta-cells densities are examined in the ranges of $0 < G < 30000$ and $0 < B < 7000$, as a function of d_3 which varies in the range $0 < d_3 < 2$.

We will now plot the phase portrait and time series around two Hopf-bifurcations (*H*¹ and H_2)

- when $d_3 \in (0, d_{3c_1})$ i.e. $d_3 < d_{3c_1}$, a stable behaviour is observed around E_4 (see Fig. [8](#page-17-0)).
- when $d_{3c_1} < d_3 < d_{3c_2}$, we observe a stable limit cycle as a result of 1st supercritical Hopf bifurcation (see Fig. [9\)](#page-18-0).
- At $d_3 = d_{3c_2}$ the system encounters 2nd Hopf Bifurcation and as the result of it when $d_3 > d_3$, system restores its stability (see Fig. 10). $d_3 > d_{3c_2}$, system restores its stability (see Fig. [10\)](#page-18-0).

5 Delayed Model and Its Dynamics

The lags, referred to as delays, can group along complex biological processes, merely indicating the time required for these processes to occur [\[28](#page-33-0)]. Time-delay models are becoming more familiar and widespread in several biological modeling fields [\[29\]](#page-33-0). These models have been seen in epidemiology [[30](#page-33-0)], chemostat model theory [\[31\]](#page-33-0), brain networks [[32](#page-33-0), [33\]](#page-33-0), circadian rhythms [[34](#page-33-0)], diabetes [\[6](#page-32-0)]. Chuedoung et al. [\[35\]](#page-33-0) investigated the oscillatory behavior of the glucose and insulin dynamic system as a single-compartment model.

In diabetic patients, as glucose level increases, beta-cell come under more pressure to work, leading to its disruption, affecting insulin production. Beta cells usually work in start-

Fig. 7 (a) Bifurcation analysis (*G* vs *d*3) showing occurrence of two supercritical hopf points. (b) Same as in (a) to visualize the family of limit cycles bifurcating between the Hopf point H_1 and H_2 . (c) Bifurcation analysis (B vs d_3) showing occurrence of two supercritical hopf points. (d) Same as in (c) but shown on a different scale to visualize the family of limit cycles bifurcating between the Hopf point H_1 and H_2 . The dotted line represents unstable branch and the solid line represents stable branch

Fig. 8 (a) Phase Portrait, (b) Time series solution of system [\(1](#page-3-0))–([4\)](#page-4-0). Both diagrams are plotted with $d_3 = 0.06$ $(d_3 < d_{3c_1})$. Here, we observe that the system is stable

ing, but they disrupt as the load increases. To investigate the consequences of the time delay in handling increased glucose levels, we introduced lag in insulin production due to beta-cell

Fig. 9 (a) Phase Portrait, (b) Time series solution of system [\(1\)](#page-3-0)–([4\)](#page-4-0). Both diagrams are plotted with $d_3 = 1$ $(d_{3c_1} < d_3 < d_{3c_2})$. Here, we observe that the equilibrium point E_4 becomes unstable giving rise to stable limit cycle ranging between two Hopf bifurcation points $(H_1 \text{ and } H_2)$

Fig. 10 (a) Phase Portrait, (b) Time series solution of system ([1\)](#page-3-0)–[\(4](#page-4-0)). Both diagrams are plotted with $d_3 = 1.53$ ($d_3 > d_{3c_2}$). Here, we observe that the system again regains stability as it exceeds 2nd Hopf bifurcation point (H_2)

disruption. The modified model (1) – (4) (4) with delay term is given as follows:

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = a - \frac{bIG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G,\tag{11}
$$

$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\mu B(t - \tau)G}{k_1 + G} - d_2 I,\tag{12}
$$

$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = \left(\frac{hG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 - d_3\right)B,\tag{13}
$$

$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = rF\left(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}\right). \tag{14}
$$

with initial conditions $G(\zeta) = \phi_1(\zeta) \geq 0$, $I(\zeta) = \phi_2(\zeta) \geq 0$, $B(\zeta) = \phi_3(\zeta) \geq 0$, $F(\zeta) =$ $φ_4(\zeta) ≥ 0$, $\zeta ∈ [-τ, 0]$, $φ_i(0) > 0$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, where $(φ_1(\zeta), φ_2(\zeta), φ_3(\zeta), φ_4(\zeta)) ∈$

C($[-\tau, 0]$, R_{+0}^{4}) is the Banach space of continuous functions mapping the interval $[-\tau, 0]$ 0] into R_{+0}^4 , where $R_{+0}^4 = \{(G, I, B, F) : G \ge 0, I \ge 0, B \ge 0, F \ge 0\}.$

τ denotes the time delay in insulin synthesis due to beta cell dysfunction, and all other parameters are same as described in Table [1.](#page-4-0)

5.1 Stability Analysis of Delay Model

The system (11) (11) (11) - (14) (14) has been linearized around E_4 and represented as follows:

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = A_{11}G(t) + A_{12}I(t) + A_{13}B(t) + A_{14}F(t),
$$
\n(15)

$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = A_{21}G(t) + A_{22}I(t) + A_{23}B(t - \tau) + A_{24}F(t),
$$
\n(16)

$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = A_{31}G(t) + A_{32}I(t) + A_{33}B(t) + A_{34}F(t),
$$
\n(17)

$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = A_{41}G(t) + A_{42}I(t) + A_{43}B(t) + A_{44}F(t).
$$
\n(18)

where the values of *A*11, *A*12, *A*13, *A*14, *A*21, *A*22, *A*23, *A*24, *A*31, *A*32, *A*33, *A*34, *A*41, *A*42, *A*43, *A*⁴⁴ are discussed in appendix [A](#page-30-0). The characteristic equation of lineralized system $(15)-(18)$ is given as,

$$
\eta^4 + p_1 \eta^3 + p_2 \eta^2 + p_3 \eta + p_4 + e^{-\eta \tau} (q_1 \eta + q_2) = 0, \tag{19}
$$

where the values of p_1 , p_2 , p_3 , p_4 , q_1 and q_2 are mentioned in appendix [A.](#page-30-0)

The requirement for E_4 to be asymptotically stable with $\tau = 0$ is given by proposition [2](#page-10-0), and the solutions approach E_4 as the time $t \to \infty$.

Now, to analyze the condition that guarantees system [\(11\)](#page-18-0)–[\(14](#page-18-0)) to remain stable as *τ* increases from zero. By the continuity of τ , equation (19) will have roots with a positive real part if it crosses the imaginary axis. It is clear that $\eta = \iota \omega$ ($\iota = \sqrt{-1}$, $\omega > 0$) is a root of equation (19) if and only if

$$
(\iota\omega)^4 + p_1(\iota\omega)^3 + p_2(\iota\omega)^2 + p_3\iota\omega + p_4 + e^{-\iota\omega\tau}(q_1(\iota\omega) + q_2) = 0.
$$

By Euler's formula, $e^{-i\omega \tau} = \cos(\omega \tau) - i \sin(\omega \tau)$, we have

$$
\omega^4 - \omega^2 p_2 + p_4 + q_2 \cos(\omega \tau) + q_1 \omega \sin(\omega \tau) = 0,
$$

$$
-\omega^3 p_1 + p_3 \omega + q_1 \omega \cos(\omega \tau) - q_2 \sin(\omega \tau) = 0.
$$
 (20)

Now, we have from above equation

$$
\sin \tau \omega = \frac{\omega^3 (p_2 q_1 - q_2 p_1) - \omega^5 q_1 - p_4 q_1 \omega + p_3 q_2 \omega}{q_1^2 \omega^2 + q_2^2}
$$

and

$$
\cos \tau \omega = -\frac{q_1 p_3 \omega^2 - q_1 \omega^4 p_1 + q_2 \omega^4 - \omega^2 p_2 q_2 + p_4 q_2}{q_1^2 \omega^2 + q_2^2},
$$

using the trigonometric property $\sin^2 \omega \tau + \cos^2 \omega \tau = 1$, we get

$$
\omega^8 + \omega^6(p_1^2 - 2p_2) + \omega^4(p_2^2 - 2p_1p_3 + 2p_4) + \omega^2(p_3^2 - q_1^2 - 2p_2p_4) + p_4^2 - q_2^2 = 0.
$$
 (21)

By Descarte's rule of signs, Eq. (21) has at least one positive real root defined by ω_0 . Thus, from Eq. (20) (20) (20) we have

$$
\tan \tau \omega = -\frac{\omega^3 (p_2 q_1 - q_2 p_1) - \omega^5 q_1 - p_4 q_1 \omega + p_3 q_2 \omega}{q_1 p_3 \omega^2 - q_1 \omega^4 p_1 + q_2 \omega^4 - \omega^2 p_2 q_2 + p_4 q_2}.
$$

Therefore,

$$
\tau_j^* = \frac{1}{\omega_0} \tan^{-1} \left[-\frac{\omega_0^3 (p_2 q_1 - q_2 p_1) - \omega_0^5 q_1 - p_4 q_1 \omega_0 + p_3 q_2 \omega_0}{q_1 p_3 \omega_0^2 - q_1 \omega_0^4 p_1 + q_2 \omega_0^4 - \omega_0^2 p_2 q_2 + p_4 q_2} \right] + \frac{2\pi j}{\omega_0} \tag{22}
$$

where $j = 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots$ Let $\tau_0 = \tau_0^*$ be the first critical value for equation [\(19](#page-19-0)) to have roots on the imaginary axis.

*E*₄ remains stable for $\tau \in [0, \tau_0^*)$ and unstable for $\tau > \tau_0^*$. The system stability [\(11\)](#page-18-0)–([14](#page-18-0)) is changed at the critical value of delay τ_0^* and cannot occur again for greater delays [\[36](#page-33-0)]. We choose τ as the bifurcation parameter because system ([11](#page-18-0))–[\(14\)](#page-18-0) loses stability at $\tau = \tau_0^*$. We demonstrated that, equation [\(19\)](#page-19-0) has roots on the imaginary axis, namely $\eta = \iota \omega_0$ at each $\tau = \tau_0^*$.

Now, in order to establish the Hopf bifurcation condition [[37](#page-33-0)], we check the transversality requirement. Differentiating (19) (19) (19) w.r.t. *τ*, we get

$$
(4\eta^3 + 3\eta^2 p_1 + 2\eta p_2 + p_3 + q_1 e^{-\eta \tau} - \tau e^{-\eta \tau} (q_1 \eta + q_2)) \frac{d\eta}{\tau} = \eta e^{-\eta \tau} (q_1 \eta + q_2)
$$

Using $e^{-\eta \tau} = -\frac{\eta^4 + p_1 \eta^3 + p_2 \eta^2 + p_3 \eta + p_4}{q_1 \eta + q_2}$, we get

$$
\left(\frac{d\eta}{d\tau}\right)^{-1} = \frac{4\eta^3 + 3\eta^2 p_1 + 2\eta p_2 + p_3}{-\eta(\eta^4 + p_1\eta^3 + p_2\eta^2 + p_3\eta + p_4)} + \frac{q_1}{\eta(q_1\eta + q_2)} - \frac{\tau}{\eta}
$$

Since for $\tau = \tau_0^*$ and $\eta = \iota \omega_0$, we have

$$
\frac{\tau}{\eta} = -\iota \frac{\tau_0^*}{\omega_0},
$$

\n
$$
\eta(q_1\eta + q_2) = iq_2\omega_0 - q_1\omega_0^2,
$$

\n
$$
4\eta^3 + 3\eta^2 p_1 + 2\eta p_2 + p_3 = 2\iota\omega_0 p_2 + p_3 - 4\iota\omega_0^3 - 3\omega_0^2 p_1,
$$

\n
$$
-\eta(\eta^4 + p_1\eta^3 + p_2\eta^2 + p_3\eta + p_4) = -(\iota\omega_0^5 + p_1\omega_0^4 - p_2\iota\omega_0^3 - p_3\omega_0^2 + i p_4\omega_0).
$$

Then

$$
\left[\Re\left(\frac{d\eta}{d\tau}\right)^{-1}\right]_{\tau=\tau_0^*} = \left[\frac{4\eta^3 + 3\eta^2 p_1 + 2\eta p_2 + p_3}{-\eta(\eta^4 + p_1\eta^3 + p_2\eta^2 + p_3\eta + p_4)} + \frac{q_1}{\eta(q_1\eta + q_2)} - \frac{\tau}{\eta}\right]_{\eta=\omega_0}
$$

$$
= \frac{1}{\omega_0^2} \left[\frac{3\omega_0^2 p_1 - p_3}{p_1\omega_0^2 - p_3} - 1\right]
$$

$$
=\frac{2p_1}{p_1\omega_0^2 - p_3}
$$

Hence,

$$
sign\left\{\frac{d\Re(\eta(\tau))}{d\tau}\right\}_{\tau=\tau_0^*}>0
$$

if

$$
p_1w_0^2 - p_3 > 0.
$$

Therefore, a Hopf bifurcation is established at the equilibrium point E_4 when $\tau = \tau_0^*$.

Theorem 5.1 *Considering the system* ([11](#page-18-0))*-*([14](#page-18-0)),

• As τ *increases from zero, there exists* τ_j^* *given by equation* [\(22\)](#page-20-0) *such that* $\tau_0 = \tau_0^*$ *is the initial critical-value of delay*. *The disease-endemic equilibrium E*⁴ *is locally asymptotically stable for* $\tau \in [0, \tau_0^*)$ *and unstable when* $\tau > \tau_0^*$ *. Furthermore, the system undergoes Hopf bifurcation at* E_4 *when* $\tau = \tau_0^*$.

6 The Optimal Control Problem

A crucial part of health facilities is the prevention of diabetes complications. The financial cost of diabetes is mostly related to long-term diabetic implications in terms of medication. This section proposes an optimal control strategy to lower the incidence and consequences of diabetes while keeping the relative cost of applying measures as low as possible. We quantify two forms of control interventions in this paper, namely, $w_1(t)$ and $w_2(t)$. Each intervention is discussed as follows:

Let [0, T] denote the time when the optimal control technique is applied to the system ([1\)](#page-3-0)–([4](#page-4-0)). In this study, we quantify two types of control interventions: $w_1(t)$ and $w_2(t)$. Each intervention is explained as follows:

- Control variable $w_1(t)$: Due to the prevalence of the disease, the control $w_1(t)$ is used to lower glucose production by using medication such as Metformin, the best prescription to reduce blood glucose levels and help keep blood sugar levels at a healthy range.
- Control variable $w_2(t)$: This intervention reduces the obesity-related factor by exercising daily, buying exercise equipment, eating healthy food, following a regular diet, and keeping a healthy weight.

Due to limited medical resources, it is necessary to put some boundaries on controls, such as $0 \leq w_1(t)$, $w_2(t) \leq 1$. If $w_1(t)$ and $w_2(t)$ are zero, no effort is placed into these controls at time *t*, whereas one represents the maximum capacity of applied interventions. Considering the preceding assumptions, the system (1) – (4) is modified as follows to customize control variables:

$$
\frac{dG}{dt} = a - \frac{w_1(t)IG}{1 + pG + qF} + cF - d_1G,
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\mu BG}{k_1 + G} - d_2I,
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dB}{dt} = \left(\frac{hG}{k_2 + G} - \delta F^2 - d_3\right)B,
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = (1 - w_2(t))F\left(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}\right).
$$
\n(23)

For our convenience, we write $w_1(t) = w_1$ and $w_2(t) = w_2$ for future analysis.

6.1 Controls Cost Construction and Characterization

This section is divided into two parts. These involve determining the total cost of disease and its controls and the analytical forms of the controls.

6.1.1 Total Cost Determination

Here, we calculate the overall cost incurred as a result of the control measures that are to be minimised.

(i.) **Cost incurred in lowering the glucose level:** Cost involved in treatment policy is given as: $\int_0^T A^* w_1^2 dt$.

The term $A^*w_1^2$ refers to the cost of treatment policy and related activities such as medicine, diagnostic expenses, and hospitalization. For the cost of the treatment policy, we used typical quadratic non-linearity w_1^2 .

(ii.) **Cost related to obesity-related factor and its treatment:** The overall cost resulting from disease burden and treatment policy is stated as: $\int_0^T \left[U_1 F(t) + D^* w_2^2 \right] dt$.

Consider the control problem of minimizing the objective function over time *T* .

$$
L(w_1, w_2) = \int_0^T \left[U_1 F(t) + A^* w_1^2 + D^* w_2^2 \right] dt
$$
 (24)

subject to the model system (23) .

where $U_1 > 0$, $A^* > 0$, $D^* > 0$ are positive weight constants that balance the unit of integrands and measure the relative costs.

Our target is to search the optimal controls w_1^* , w_2^* such that

$$
L(w_1^*, w_2^*) = \min_{w_1, w_2 \in U} L(w_1, w_2)
$$

where *U* is the set of admissible controls defined by

$$
U = \{w_1, w_2 \mid 0 \le w_1, w_2 \le 1, t \in [0, T] \}.
$$

The controls in this situation are bounded and measurable.

6.1.2 Existence of an Optimal Control

To begin, we demonstrate the existence of optimal control functions that minimize the cost function in a finite period. We follow the results proven in [\[38–40\]](#page-33-0) to achieve this. This problem's Lagrangian is described as follows:

$$
L_1(G, I, B, F, w_1, w_2) = U_1 F(t) + A^* w_1^2 + D^* w_2^2.
$$

The following conclusion ensures the existence of the ideal control functions.

Theorem 6.1 *Consider the control problem with system* [\(23\)](#page-22-0), ∃ *an optimal control* (w_1^*, w_2^*) ∈ *U such that* $L(w_1^*, w_2^*) = \min_{w_1, w_2 \in U} L(w_1, w_2)$.

Proof The existence of the optimal control can be determined using Theorem 4.1 of [\[41\]](#page-33-0).

- For each bounded control coming from the control set U , all state variables are bounded, as was previously explained. The right-hand portion of the model system ([23](#page-22-0)), about state variables, also satisfies the Lipschitz criterion.
- The model system [\(23\)](#page-22-0) is linear in control variables, and the control variable set *U* is convex and closed by definition.
- The integrand $L_1(G, I, B, F, w_1, w_2) = U_1 F(t) + A^* w_1^2 + D^* w_2^2$, is convex in U due to quadratic nature of control variables. Also, $L_1(G, I, B, F, w_1, w_2) = U_1 F(t) + A^* w_1^2 +$ $D^*w_2^2 \ge A^*w_1^2 + D^*w_2^2$. Now, we consider $e_1 = min(A^*, D^*) > 0$ and $g(w_1, w_2) =$ $e_1(w_1^2 + w_2^2)$. Hence, $L_1 \geq g(w_1, w_2)$ is true and *g* is continuous and satisfies $|(w_1, w_2)|^{-1} g(w_1, w_2)$ → ∞ whenever $|(w_1, w_2)| \to \infty$.

Therefore, all conditions for the existence of controls are fulfilled. Hence, the result. \Box

6.1.3 Characterization of Optimal Control Functions

Here, we employ Pontryagin's Maximum Principle to create the prerequisites for ideal control functions and examine the routes of ideal control functions for the control system ([23](#page-22-0))- ([24](#page-22-0)). For this, the associated Hamiltonian H is defined by

$$
\mathcal{H} = L_1 + \lambda_1 \frac{dG}{dt} + \lambda_2 \frac{dI}{dt} + \lambda_3 \frac{dB}{dt} + \lambda_4 \frac{dF}{dt}
$$
 (25)

where $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4)^T$ is known as adjoint variable. In the following theorem, we characterize the optimal controls.

Theorem 6.2 *Let* w_1^* *and* w_2^* *, be two optimal control functions, and* G^* *, I*^{*}*, B*^{*} *and* F^* *are the state variables of the optimal control problem* ([23](#page-22-0))*-*([24](#page-22-0)). *Then* ∃ *adjoint variable* $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4)^T \in \mathbb{R}^4$ *which satisfies the following canonical equations:*

$$
\frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} = \left(d_1 - \frac{GIpw_1}{(1 + pG + qF)^2} + \frac{Iw_1}{(1 + pG + qF)}\right)\lambda_1 \n- \left(\frac{B\mu}{k_1 + G} - \frac{BG\mu}{(k_1 + G)^2}\right)\lambda_2 - \left(\frac{hB}{k_2 + G} - \frac{hGB}{(k_2 + G)^2}\right)\lambda_3, \n\frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} = d_2\lambda_2 + \left(\frac{Gw_1}{1 + pG + qF}\right)\lambda_1, \n\frac{d\lambda_3}{dt} = \left(d_3 + \delta F^2 - \frac{hG}{k_2 + G}\right)\lambda_3 - \left(\frac{\mu G}{k_1 + G}\right)\lambda_2, \n\frac{d\lambda_4}{dt} = \left(\frac{F(1 - w_2)}{k_3} - \left(1 - \frac{F}{k_3}\right)(1 - w_2)\right)\lambda_4 - U_1 + 2B\delta F\lambda_3 \n- \left(c + \frac{GIqw_1}{(1 + pG + qF)^2}\right)\lambda_1.
$$
\n(26)

with transversality conditions

$$
\lambda_i(T) = 0 \,\forall \, 1 \le i \le 4. \tag{27}
$$

Also, *the corresponding optimal controls w*[∗] ¹ *and w*[∗] ² *are given as*,

$$
w_1^* = \min\left\{\max\left\{0, \left(\frac{\lambda_1 G^* I^*}{2A^*(1 + pG^* + qF^*)}\right)\right\}, 1\right\},\newline w_2^* = \min\left\{\max\left\{0, \frac{\lambda_4 F^*}{2D^*} \left(1 - \frac{F^*}{k_3}\right)\right\}, 1\right\}.
$$
\n(28)

Proof Let w_1^* and w_2^* be the given optimal control functions and G^* , I^* , B^* and F^* are the corresponding optimal state variables of the system ([23](#page-22-0)), which minimize the cost functional [\(24\)](#page-22-0). Then by the Pontryagin's Maximum Principle, ∃ adjoint variable $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4)^T \in \mathbb{R}^4$ which satisfies the following canonical equations:

$$
\frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial G}, \quad \frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial I}, \quad \frac{d\lambda_3}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial B} \text{ and } \frac{d\lambda_4}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial F}
$$

with transversality conditions (27) .

Here, H is the Hamiltonian and given in ([25](#page-23-0)). Then, we get the adjoint system (26) with transversality conditions (27).

Now, using the optimality condition, we have

$$
\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial w_i} = 0, \ \ at \ w_i = w_i^* \ for \ i = 1, 2.
$$

Hence, we get

$$
w_1^* = \frac{1}{2A^*} \lambda_1 \left(\frac{G^* I^*}{1 + pG^* + qF^*} \right) \text{ and } w_2^* = \frac{1}{2D^*} \lambda_4 \left(F^* \left(1 - \frac{F^*}{k_3} \right) \right).
$$

By following the above also with the properties of the control group.

By following the above along with the properties of the control space *U*, we have the optimal controls w_1^* and w_2^* as given in (28).

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Fig. 11 Solution for system [\(1](#page-3-0))-[\(4](#page-4-0)) with parameter values given in the Table [2](#page-13-0) and when (a) $\delta = 0.00001$, (b) $\delta = 0.0001$, (c) $\delta = 0.001$. These figures indicates as obese related death among beta cells increases, glucose levels correspondingly increase

7 Numerical Analysis

Numerical analysis is used to examine the global dynamical behavior of the systems [\(1\)](#page-3-0)-[\(4](#page-4-0)), $(11)-(14)$ $(11)-(14)$ $(11)-(14)$ $(11)-(14)$ $(11)-(14)$ and (23) (23) (23) . Table [2](#page-13-0) mentions the parameter value and is either assumed or derived from the literature.

7.1 ODE Simulation: Effect of *δ*

In this part, we simulate numerically the (1) (1) – (4) (4) system. The numerical results in this section were produced using MATLAB's built-in ODE 45 function with the initial conditions (100, 20, 300, 0.01). Here, we vary δ , i.e., the death rate of beta-cells due to obese-related factors. We consider three values of δ : (i) $\delta = 0.00001$, (ii) $\delta = 0.0001$, and (iii) $\delta = 0.001$ for our simulation, and the other parameters are the same as given in Table [2.](#page-13-0) At a low death rate of beta-cells due to obesity-related factors, say $\delta = 0.00001$, we observe high insulin level and beta-cell density. However, one can keep a low level of glucose (see Fig. 11 (a)). This is due to proper beta-cell functioning, showing healthy conditions. When *δ* slightly increases to 0.0001, the beta-cells with insulin density start decreasing with a corresponding rise in

Fig. 1[2](#page-13-0) Solution for system ([1\)](#page-3-0)-([4\)](#page-4-0) with parameter values given in the Table 2 and when (a) $r = 0.01$, (b) $r = 0.1$. These figures suggest that excessive fat disrupts beta cells, leading to unchecked glucose levels

glucose level (see Fig. [11](#page-25-0) (b)). Finally, when δ increases to 0.001, the beta-cells with insulin density start to decrease rapidly with a corresponding increase in glucose level, showing the worst scenario (see Fig. [11](#page-25-0) (c)). This simulation clearly states that an obesity-related factor increases the glucose level in the bloodstream.

Our findings suggest that when the death rate of beta-cells due to obese-related factors is less (negligible), glucose levels can be controlled in the body, and this represents the healthy condition everyone wants, i.e., free from type 2 diabetes, and for this, one needs to follow a proper well-maintained routine like by having a nutritious diet, by proper daily exercise, whether by performing yoga or doing it with the help of gym equipment.

7.2 ODE Simulation: Effect of r

Here, we vary r, i.e., the growth rate of obese-related factors. We consider r as: (i) $r =$ 0.01 and (ii) $r = 0.1$ for our simulation, and the other parameters are the same as given in Table [2](#page-13-0). Here, when $r = 0.01$ (see Fig. 12 (a)), we see insulin as well as beta-cell density increases with time. However, glucose levels decrease, showing healthy conditions. When *r* is increased to $r = 0.1$ after a few days, the glucose level crosses a critical value, resulting in beta-cell dysfunction, thus causing low insulin production (see Fig. 12 (b)). An uncontrolled growth in glucose is observed after the disruption of beta cells. By this simulation, we can clearly state that beta-cell dysfunctions as the growth rate of obese-related factors increases. Due to this, insulin production decreases, resulting in insulin resistance. As a result, glucose level increases in the body and hyperglycemia occurs, and the condition of a person who suffers from type two diabetes worsens.

Our result suggests that when *r* is less, i.e., there is a control level of obese-related factor in the body, then beta-cells function properly, and this is the healthiest condition everyone wants, i.e., free from type 2 diabetes, and to achieve this, one needs to perform a healthy diet and routine and avoid the chances of getting obesity.

7.3 Numerical Simulation of the Model with Delay

Delay differential equations are an exciting type of differential equation with numerous applications, particularly in biology and medicine. In this section, a numerical analysis is

Fig. 13 Bifurcation diagram for system [\(11](#page-18-0))-[\(14](#page-18-0)) considering τ as a bifurcation parameter. At $\tau = \tau_0^* = 0.68$ occurrence of Hopf bifurcation leading to period doubling is observed

performed to investigate the dynamical behavior of the system (11) - (14) (14) (14) . We have considered the same initial conditions as in the case without delay. We took the same parameters as discussed in Example [4.1](#page-13-0).

Here, we vary τ from 0.01 to 1.2. The simulation showed periodic doubling bifurcation occurs when delay crosses a critical value (see Fig. 13). A period-doubling bifurcation in dynamical systems theory happens when a slight change in a system's parameters results in the emergence of a new periodic trajectory from an existing one, the new one having twice the original period. The numerical values acquired by the system repeat themselves twice as slowly with a twofold period. For $\tau \in [0.01, 0.68)$, the density of glucose level, insulin, and beta cells converge to a stable fixed point. And once $\tau \geq 0.68$, the component's densities break in two, oscillating back and forth between two values and never settling to a single constant value. The cycle then continues. These are period-doubling bifurcations since the cycle's or period's duration has doubled. Also, from here, we note that the critical value of $\tau = \tau_0^* = 0.68$; also, we identify a critical delay point at $\tau = 0.68$ ($\omega = 0.547134$), marking the transition of the system's stability from a stable state to an unstable state. Figure [14](#page-28-0) show the system [\(11\)](#page-18-0)-[\(14\)](#page-18-0) solution corresponding to $\tau = 0.3$ and $\tau = 4.5$ illustrating the impact of the time delay in generating periodic solutions; from here, when $\tau < \tau_0^*$, we observe the stable behavior of our system (see Fig. [14](#page-28-0)(a)). As $\tau > \tau_0^*$, we see the oscillatory behavior of the system (see Fig. [14\(](#page-28-0)b)).

From a biological perspective, we may argue that as τ grows, the density of all the components oscillates, with more followed by less, and so on.

Fig. 14 Solution of the system [\(11](#page-18-0))-([14\)](#page-18-0) showing the impact of different rate of delays (τ), (a) $\tau = 0.3$; (b) $\tau = 4.5$

7.4 Numerical Simulation of the Optimal Control Problem

This part focuses on running numerical simulations for the control problem to investigate how control interventions affect disease transmission dynamics. To verify the predictability of the controlled system (23) , a graph compares the evolution of glucose levels in a diabetic patient without control to a diabetic patient with control.

To compile the numerical simulations, we set $k_3 = 15$, and others are the same as dis-cussed in Example [4.1.](#page-13-0) The time period for controls to be applied is $T = 300$ days, along with the same initial conditions [100, 20, 300, 0.01]. We choose the positive weight parameters as $A^* = 10$, $U_1 = 30$, $D^* = 5$.

From Fig. 15, it is clear that due to measures like medication, exercise, and having a healthy diet, the glucose level starts to decrease, showing the positive effect of measures that are imposed.

This represents the importance of control in disease transmission. It is observed that as controls are imposed, disease invasion is controlled. If the individual suffers from diabetes and does not adopt any measures, his/her health may worsen due to uncontrolled glucose rise.

8 Conclusion

A mathematical model has been developed to elucidate the interaction between obesity and diabetes. The primary objective of this study is to demonstrate the significant role of obesity in the progression of type 2 diabetes. The constructed model exhibits four biologically plausible equilibria. Our investigation encompasses both local and global stability analyses. Local and global stability conditions are defined using the Routh-Hurwitz criterion and constructing appropriate Lyapunov function. We have established that the system's positive equilibrium is globally asymptotically stable under specific parameter assumptions. Furthermore, we have provided analytical evidence for the existence of Hopf bifurcations. Numerical simulations have been conducted to validate these findings.

Bifurcation analysis reveals that a lower death rate of beta cells (d_3) ensures the proper cyclic elimination of glucose. The intricate balance of anabolism and catabolism in response to variations in calorie intake, food composition, and physical activity influences the equilibrium of insulin and blood glucose levels. However, when this rate exceeds a critical value, glucose removal does not occur periodically due to beta cell dysfunction, necessitating external insulin administration. Our numerical simulations also indicate that an excessive growth rate of obesity-related factors impairs beta cells, leading to uncontrolled glucose levels.

Beta cells, responsible for producing and releasing insulin in response to glucose levels, may exhibit impaired function in individuals with type 2 diabetes. Consequently, this dysfunction can lead to delays in insulin secretion, disrupting the delicately balanced feedback mechanisms responsible for regulating blood glucose levels. We have introduced a time delay term to our proposed model to integrate this fact. This delay factor accounts for beta cell dysfunction in insulin production. Our analysis demonstrates that the system exhibits stable behavior when the delay parameter (τ) is in the range [0, 0.68). However, beyond the critical value of 0.68, the system undergoes period doubling, transforming stable dynamics into periodic dynamics in the presence of delay. Period doubling exhibits non-linear behavior and thus, underscores the complex interplay between insulin dynamics, beta cell function, and glucose regulation in type 2 diabetes. We simulate the effect of reducing obesity through exercise and medication and formulate an optimal control model using the Pontryagin maximum principle to identify the best control solution [[42](#page-33-0)]. This analysis is conducted with a sense of urgency, recognizing the imperative need for prompt action to curb the advancement of diabetes and to introduce accessible treatment solutions to counteract this alarming trend. Our findings corroborate this urgency, as evidenced by the results in Fig. [15.](#page-28-0) It is evident that the glucose level gradually decreases over time with the implementation of control measures. This reduction aligns with our objectives, as it signifies the effective management of the disease dynamics. By adhering to lifestyle modifications such as regular exercise and maintaining a healthy diet, individuals can control the disease's progression. Conversely, failure to adopt these healthy lifestyle measures can exacerbate the condition of diabetic individuals. Thus, our analysis underscores the critical importance of proactive intervention and lifestyle management in mitigating the adverse effects of diabetes and improving overall health outcomes.

While our model exhibits several strengths, it is not without its limitations. One significant challenge is measuring beta-cell mass, a pivotal parameter within the model. Obtaining precise measurements of beta-cell mass presents inherent difficulties, as current methodologies often lack the necessary sensitivity and specificity. Moreover, reliable data about beta-cell mass are frequently scarce or unavailable, further complicating efforts to validate and refine the model. Furthermore, the scarcity of empirical evidence necessitates assuming certain parameter values within the model. While necessary for model development, these assumptions introduce uncertainty to the analysis and interpretation of results. The complex nature of the disease epidemic, encompassing multifaceted interactions between various physiological, genetic, environmental, and behavioral factors, underscores the need for ongoing research efforts. Addressing the intricacies of diabetes requires a comprehensive approach that extends beyond the scope of any single model. Future research endeavors must elucidate the complex mechanisms underlying diabetes pathogenesis and progression, integrating diverse datasets and methodologies to capture the full spectrum of disease dynamics. Continued research efforts are imperative to overcome these challenges and refine our understanding of diabetes, ultimately paving the way for more effective prevention and management strategies.

The global prevalence of diabetes is rapidly escalating, with an alarming increase in mortality rates associated with the disease. Factors such as obesity, unhealthy dietary habits, and sedentary lifestyles are identified as key contributors to this epidemic. These factors are largely preventable, underscoring the importance of raising public awareness about their detrimental effects. Research studies [\[1](#page-32-0), [43–45](#page-33-0)] highlight the profound impact of these lifestyle choices on the onset and progression of diabetes. Surgical interventions, particularly bariatric surgery, emerge as highly effective strategies for addressing both obesity and type 2 diabetes [\[45\]](#page-33-0). These procedures offer promising outcomes in weight loss and glycemic control, emphasizing the potential for targeted interventions to mitigate the burden of diabetes. The findings presented in this paper collectively support the conclusion that the developed model is physiologically consistent and holds promise as a valuable tool for advancing our understanding of diabetes. By delving deeper into the intricacies of diabetes dynamics and exploring innovative interventions, we can strive to mitigate the economic and humanistic burden of this widespread disease.

Appendix A

$$
A_{11} = \frac{bGIp}{(1+Gp+Fq)^2} - \frac{bI}{1+Gp+Fq} - d_1,
$$

\n
$$
A_{12} = -\frac{bG}{1+Gp+Fq},
$$

\n
$$
A_{13} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{14} = c + \frac{bGIq}{(1+Gp+Fq)^2},
$$

\n
$$
A_{21} = \frac{B\mu}{G+k_1} - \frac{BG\mu}{(G+k_1)^2},
$$

\n
$$
A_{22} = -d_2,
$$

\n
$$
A_{23} = \frac{G\mu e^{-\eta \tau}}{G+k_1},
$$

$$
A_{24} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{31} = \frac{Bh}{G + k_2} - \frac{B G h}{(G + k_2)^2},
$$

\n
$$
A_{32} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{33} = \frac{Gh}{G + k_2} - d_3 - \delta F^2,
$$

\n
$$
A_{34} = -2B\delta F,
$$

\n
$$
A_{41} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{42} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{43} = 0,
$$

\n
$$
A_{44} = (1 - \frac{F}{k_3})r - \frac{Fr}{k_3}.
$$

$$
p_1 = d_1 + d_2 + d_3 + \delta F^2 - \frac{Gh}{G+k_2} - \frac{bGlp}{v^2} + \frac{bI}{v} - r + \frac{2Fr}{k_3}, \text{ and } v = (1 + Gp + Fq),
$$

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$$
p_2 = \frac{bG^2hIp}{(G+k_2)v^2} - \frac{bdsGlp}{v^2} - \frac{b\delta F^2Glp}{v^2} + \frac{bdsI}{w} + \frac{b\delta F^2I}{(G+k_2)v} - \frac{bGhl}{(G+k_2)v} - d_3r - \frac{GF^2R^2r}{(G+k_2)^2} + \frac{2d_5Fr}{k_3} - \frac{2FGhr}{(G+k_2)k_3} + \frac{bGlpr}{v^2} - \frac{2bFGlpr}{k_3v^2} - \frac{blr}{k_3v} + \frac{2bFlr}{k_3v} + \frac{d_1}{k_3v} + \frac{d_1}{k_
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