

## ON HIGHER-ORDER GENERALIZED EMDEN-FOWLER DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH DELAY ARGUMENT

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We consider a differential equation

$$u^{(n)}(t) + p(t)|u(\tau(t))|^{\mu(t)} \operatorname{sign} u(\tau(t)) = 0. \quad (*)$$

It is assumed that  $n \geq 3$ ,  $p \in L_{\text{loc}}(R_+; R_-)$ ,  $\mu \in C(R_+; (0, +\infty))$ ,  $\tau \in C(R_+; R_+)$ ,  $\tau(t) \leq t$  for  $t \in R_+$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \tau(t) = +\infty$ . In the case  $\mu(t) \equiv \text{const} > 0$ , the oscillatory properties of equation (\*) are extensively studied, whereas for  $\mu(t) \not\equiv \text{const}$ , to the best of authors' knowledge, problems of this kind were not investigated at all. We also establish new sufficient conditions for the equation (\*) to have Property **B**.

### 1. Introduction

The present work deals with the oscillatory properties of solutions of a functional differential equations of the form

$$u^{(n)}(t) + p(t)|u(\tau(t))|^{\mu(t)} \operatorname{sign} u(\tau(t)) = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} n \geq 3, \quad p \in L_{\text{loc}}(R_+; R_-), \quad \mu \in C(R_+; (0, +\infty)), \quad \tau \in C(R_+; R_+), \\ \tau(t) \leq t \quad \text{for } t \in R_+ \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \tau(t) = +\infty. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

It is always assumed that the condition

$$p(t) \leq 0 \quad \text{for } t \in R_+ \quad (1.3)$$

is satisfied.

Let  $t_0 \in R_+$ . A function  $u : [t_0; +\infty) \rightarrow R$  is said to be a proper solution of equation (1.1) if it is locally absolutely continuous together with its derivatives up to the order  $n - 1$ , inclusively,

$$\sup\{|u(s)| : s \in [t, +\infty)\} > 0$$

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for  $t \geq t_0$ , and there exists a function  $\bar{u} \in C(R_+; R)$  such that  $\bar{u}(t) \equiv u(t)$  on  $[t_0, +\infty)$  and the equality

$$\bar{u}^{(n)}(t) + p(t)|\bar{u}(\tau(t))|^{\mu(t)} \text{sign } \bar{u}(\tau(t)) = 0$$

holds almost everywhere for  $t \in [t_0, +\infty)$ . A proper solution  $u : [t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow R$  of equation (1.1) is said to be oscillatory if it has a sequence of zeros tending to  $+\infty$ . Otherwise, the solution  $u$  is said to be nonoscillatory.

**Definition 1.1.** We say that equation (1.1) has Property **A** if any proper solution  $u$  is oscillatory for even  $n$  and is either oscillatory or satisfies

$$|u^{(i)}(t)| \downarrow 0 \text{ as } t \uparrow +\infty, \quad i = 0, \dots, n - 1, \tag{1.4}$$

for odd  $n$ .

**Definition 1.2.** We say that equation (1.1) has Property **B** if any proper solution  $u$  is either oscillatory, or satisfies (1.4), or satisfies

$$|u^{(i)}(t)| \uparrow +\infty \text{ as } t \uparrow +\infty, \quad i = 0, \dots, n - 1, \tag{1.5}$$

for even  $n$  and is either oscillatory or satisfies (1.5) for odd  $n$ .

**Definition 1.3.** We say that equation (1.1) is almost linear if the condition  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \mu(t) = 1$  is satisfied. At the same time, if  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \mu(t) \neq 1$  or  $\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \mu(t) \neq 1$ , then we say that the analyzed equation is an essentially nonlinear differential equation.

The oscillatory properties of almost linear and essentially nonlinear differential equations with advanced argument were sufficiently well studied in [1–6]. For the Emden–Fowler differential equations with deviating arguments, an essential contribution was made in [7–13]. In the present paper, sufficient conditions are established for the equation (1.1) to have Property **B**. Analogous results for Property **A** are presented in [14].

## 2. Some Auxiliary Lemmas

The following notation is used throughout the work:  $\widetilde{C}_{\text{loc}}^{n-1}([t_0, +\infty))$  denotes the set of all functions  $u : [t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow R$  absolutely continuous in any finite subinterval of  $[t_0, +\infty)$  together with their derivatives of the orders up to and including  $n - 1$ ;

$$\alpha = \inf\{\mu(t), t \in R_+\}, \quad \beta = \sup\{\mu(t), t \in R_+\}, \tag{2.1}$$

$$\tau_{(-1)}(t) = \sup\{s \geq 0; \tau(s) \leq t\}, \quad \tau_{(-k)} = \tau_{(-1)} \circ \tau_{(-(k-1))}, \quad k = 2, 3, \dots \tag{2.2}$$

Clearly,  $\tau_{(-1)}(t) \geq t$  and  $\tau_{(-1)}$  is nondecreasing and coincides with the inverse of  $\sigma$  if the latter exists.

**Lemma 2.1** [12]. Let  $u \in \widetilde{C}_{\text{loc}}^{n-1}([t_0, +\infty))$ ,  $u(t) > 0$ ,  $u^{(n)}(t) \geq 0$  for  $t \geq t_0$  and let  $u^{(n)}(t) \not\equiv 0$  in any neighborhood of  $+\infty$ . Then there exist  $t_1 \geq t_0$  and  $\ell \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\ell + n$  is even and

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(i)}(t) &> 0 \text{ for } t \geq t_1, \quad i = 0, \dots, \ell - 1, \\ (-1)^{i+\ell} u^{(i)}(t) &\geq 0 \text{ for } t \geq t_1, \quad i = \ell, \dots, n. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3\ell}$$

In the case  $\ell = 0$ , only the second inequality in (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ) holds. At the same time, for  $\ell = n$ , only the first inequality holds and  $u^{(n)}(t) \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 2.2** [15]. *Let  $u \in \widetilde{C}_{loc}^{n-1}([t_0, +\infty))$ , let  $u^{(n)}(t) \geq 0$ , and let (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied for some  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$ , where  $\ell + n$  is even. Then*

$$\int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{n-\ell-1} u^{(n)}(t) dt < +\infty. \tag{2.4}$$

Moreover, if

$$\int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{n-\ell} u^{(n)}(t) dt = +\infty, \tag{2.5_{\ell}}$$

then there exists  $t_1 \geq t_0$  such that

$$u(t) \geq \frac{t^{\ell-1}}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \text{ for } t \geq t_1, \tag{2.6}$$

$$\frac{u^{(i)}(t)}{t^{\ell-i}} \downarrow, \quad \frac{u^{(i)}(t)}{t^{\ell-i-1}} \uparrow, \quad i = 0, \dots, \ell - 1, \tag{2.7_i}$$

and

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \frac{t}{(n-\ell)!} \int_t^{+\infty} s^{n-\ell-1} u^{(n)}(s) ds + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_1}^t s^{n-\ell} u^{(n)}(s) ds. \tag{2.8}$$

**Definition 2.1.** *Let  $t_0 \in R_+$ . By  $\mathbf{U}_{\ell, t_0}$  we denote the set of all solutions of equation (1.1) satisfying the condition (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ).*

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let conditions (1.2), (1.3) be satisfied, let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , and let equation (1.1) have a positive proper solution  $u : [t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  such that  $u \in \mathbf{U}_{\ell, t_0}$ . Moreover, let  $\alpha \geq 1$  and let*

$$\int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{n-\ell} (c \tau^{\ell-1}(t))^{\mu(t)} |p(t)| dt = +\infty \text{ for } c \in (0, 1]. \tag{2.9_{\ell, c}}$$

Then, for any  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ , there exists  $t_* > t_0$  such that, for any  $k \in N$ ,

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \rho_{k, \ell, t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \text{ for } t \geq \tau_{(-k)}(t_*), \tag{2.10}$$

where

$$\rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) = \ell! \exp \left\{ \gamma_\ell(\alpha) \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \right\}, \quad (2.11_\ell)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{i,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) &= \ell! + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{i-1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds, \quad i = 2, \dots, k, \end{aligned} \quad (2.12_\ell)$$

$$\gamma_\ell(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} & \text{if } \alpha = 1, \\ \gamma & \text{if } \alpha > 1, \end{cases} \quad (2.13_\ell)$$

and  $\alpha$  is given by the first equality in (2.1).

**Proof.** Let  $t_0 \in R_+$ ,  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell+n$  and let  $u \in \mathbf{U}_{\ell,t_0}$ . According to (1.1), (2.3 $_\ell$ ), and (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), it is clear that condition (2.5 $_\ell$ ) is satisfied. Indeed, by (2.3 $_\ell$ ), there exist  $t_1 > t_0$  and  $c \in (0, 1]$  such that

$$u(\tau(t)) \geq c(\tau(t))^{\ell-1} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1.$$

Thus, it follows from (1.1) that

$$\int_{t_1}^t s^{n-\ell} u^{(n)}(s) ds \geq \int_{t_1}^t s^{n-\ell} \left( c \tau^{\ell-1}(s) \right)^{\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1.$$

Passing to the limit in this inequality, by virtue of (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), we get (2.5 $_\ell$ ).

According to Lemma 2.2, there exists  $t_2 > t_1$  such that conditions (2.6)–(2.8) are satisfied for  $t \geq t_2$  and

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(\ell-1)}(t) &\geq \frac{t}{(n-\ell)!} \int_t^{+\infty} s^{n-\ell-1} (u(\tau(s)))^{\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_2)}^t s^{n-\ell} (u(\tau(s)))^{\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-1)}(t_2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.6), we find

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_2)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)}$$

$$\times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-1)}(t_2). \tag{2.14}$$

According to (2.7<sub>ℓ-1</sub>) and (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>), we choose  $t_* > \tau_{(-1)}(t_2)$  such that

$$\frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_2)}^{t_*} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1}(\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > \ell!. \tag{2.15}$$

By (2.14) and (2.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(\ell-1)}(t) &\geq \ell! + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1}(\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*. \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

Let  $\alpha = 1$ . Since  $u^{(\ell-1)}(t)/t$  is a nonincreasing function, from (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(\ell-1)}(t) &\geq \ell! + \frac{1}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2}(\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times u^{(\ell-1)}(\xi) |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*. \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

By the second condition in (2.7<sub>ℓ-1</sub>), it is obvious that

$$x'(t) \geq \frac{u^{(\ell-1)}(t)}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2}(\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi, \tag{2.18}$$

where

$$x(t) = \ell! + \frac{1}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2}(\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} u^{(\ell-1)}(\xi) |p(\xi)| d\xi ds. \tag{2.19}$$

Thus, according to (2.17), (2.18), and (2.19), we get

$$x'(t) \geq \frac{x(t)}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2}(\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*.$$

Therefore, since  $x(t_*) = \ell!$ , we conclude that

$$x(t) \geq \ell! \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \right\} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*.$$

Hence, by (2.16) and (2.19),

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(t) \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*, \tag{2.20}$$

where

$$\rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(t) = \ell! \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \right\}. \tag{2.21}$$

Therefore, in view of (2.14) and (2.20),

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \rho_{i,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(t) \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-i)}(t_*), \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \tag{2.22}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{i,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(t) &= \ell! + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-i)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{i-1,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad i = 2, \dots, k. \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

We now assume that  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ . Since  $u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \uparrow +\infty$  as  $t \uparrow +\infty$ , without loss of generality, we can assume that

$$\left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\tau(t)) \right)^{\alpha-1} \geq \ell!(n-\ell)! \gamma$$

for  $t \geq t_*$ . It follows from (2.16) that

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \ell! + \gamma \int_{t_*}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} u^{(\ell-1)}(\xi) |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*. \tag{2.24}$$

By (2.24), as above, we can show that if  $\alpha > 1$ , then

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-k)}(t_*), \tag{2.25}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) = \ell! \exp \left\{ \gamma \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \right. \\ \left. \times |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \right\} \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-1)}(t_*), \end{aligned} \tag{2.26}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{i,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) = \ell! + \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-i)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{i-1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-i)}(t_*), \quad i = 2, \dots, k. \end{aligned} \tag{2.27}$$

In view of (2.20)–(2.23) and (2.25)–(2.27), it is clear that, for any  $\alpha \geq 1$ ,  $k \in N$ , and  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ , there exists  $t_* \in R_+$  such that (2.10) holds, where  $\gamma_\ell(\alpha)$  is given by (2.13 $_\ell$ ), which proves the validity of the lemma.

**Remark 2.1.** It is obvious that if  $\beta < +\infty$  and (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ) holds, then, for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ , condition (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) is satisfied.

**Remark 2.2.** Condition (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ) is not sufficient for condition (2.5) to be satisfied. Therefore, in this case, it may happen that Lemma 2.3 is incorrect. Indeed, let  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ . Consider equation (1.1), where  $n$  is odd and

$$\tau(t) \equiv t, \quad p(t) = -\frac{n! t^{\log_{1/\delta} t}}{t^{n+1} (\delta t - 1)^{\log_{1/\delta} t}}, \quad \mu(t) = \log_{1/\delta} t, \quad t \geq \frac{2}{\delta}.$$

It is clear that the function

$$u(t) = \delta - \frac{1}{t}$$

is a solution of equation (1.1) and satisfies condition (2.3 $_1$ ) for  $t \geq \frac{2}{\delta}$ . On the other hand, condition (2.9 $_{1,1}$ ) holds but condition (2.5 $_1$ ) is not satisfied.

### 3. Necessary Conditions for the Existence of Solutions of Type (2.3 $_\ell$ )

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) and

$$\int_0^{+\infty} t^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(t))^{\ell\mu(t)} |p(t)| dt = +\infty \tag{3.1 $_\ell$ }$$

be satisfied, and let

$$U_{\ell,t_0} \neq \emptyset$$

for some  $t_0 \in R_+$ . Then there exists  $t_* > t_0$  such that if  $\alpha = 1$ , then, for any  $k \in N$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = 0 \tag{3.2}$$

and if  $\alpha > 1$ , then, for any  $k \in N$ ,  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ , and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ ,

$$\int_{\tau_{(-i)}(t_*)}^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds < +\infty, \tag{3.3}$$

where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first equality in (2.1) and  $\rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}$  is given by (2.11)–(2.13).

**Proof.** Let  $t_0 \in R_+$ ,  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$ ,  $U_{\ell,t_0} \neq \emptyset$ , and  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ . By the definition (see Definition 2.1), equation (1.1) has a proper solution  $u \in U_{\ell,t_0}$  satisfying condition (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ) with some  $t_1 \geq t_0$ . In view of (1.1), (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ), and (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), it is obvious that condition (2.5 $_{\ell}$ ) holds. Thus, by Lemma 2.2, there exists  $t_1 > t_0$  such that conditions (2.6) and (2.7 $_i$ ) are satisfied. On the other hand, according to Lemma 2.3 (and its proof), there exist  $t_2 > t_1$  and  $t_* > t_2$  such that

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{t_2}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (u(\tau(\xi)))^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_2 \tag{3.4}$$

and relation (2.10) is true. Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $\tau(t) \geq t_2$  for  $t \geq t_*$ . Therefore, by (2.10), it follows from (3.4) that

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds. \tag{3.5}$$

Assume that  $\alpha = 1$ . Thus, by (2.10) and (3.5), we obtain

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t) \geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-k)}(t_*). \tag{3.6}$$

On the other hand, according to (2.7 $_{\ell-1}$ ) and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ), it is clear that

$$u^{(\ell-1)}(t)/t \downarrow 0 \quad \text{for } t \uparrow +\infty. \tag{3.7}$$

Therefore, by using (3.7), and (3.6), we get



$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = 0. \tag{3.8}$$

We now assume that  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ . Then, by (2.7 $_{\ell-1}$ ), (2.10), and (3.7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(\ell-1)}(t) &\geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\xi) \right)^\delta |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \\ &\geq \frac{1}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(\xi) \right)^\delta \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (v(t))^\delta &\geq \frac{1}{(\ell!(n-\ell)!)^\delta} \left( \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t v^\delta(s) \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \right)^\delta, \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

where

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{\ell!} u^{(\ell-1)}(t).$$

In view of (3.1 $_\ell$ ), it is clear that there exists  $t_1 > \tau_{(-k)}(t_*)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t v^\delta(s) \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} \\ \times |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0 \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it follows from (3.9) that

$$\int_{t_1}^t \frac{\varphi'(s) ds}{(\varphi(s))^\delta} \geq \frac{1}{(\ell!(n-\ell)!)^\delta} \int_{t_1}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \times \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1, \quad (3.10)$$

where

$$\varphi(t) = \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t (v(s))^\delta \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(s)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds.$$

By using (3.10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_1}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \\ & \leq \frac{(\ell!(n-\ell)!)^\delta}{\delta-1} \left( \varphi^{1-\delta}(t_1) - \varphi^{1-\delta}(t) \right) \leq \frac{(\ell!(n-\ell)!)^\delta}{\delta-1} \varphi^{1-\delta}(t_1) \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\int_{t_1}^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds \leq +\infty. \quad (3.11)$$

According to (3.8) and (3.11), conditions (3.2) and (3.3) are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ), and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied, and let  $U_{\ell,t_0} \neq \emptyset$  for some  $t_0 \in R_+$ . Then, for any  $\gamma > 1$  there exists  $t_* > t_0$  such that if  $\alpha = 1$ , then relation (3.2) holds for any  $k \in N$  and if  $\alpha > 1$ , then relation (3.3) holds for any  $k \in N$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are defined by (2.1) and  $\rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}$  is given by (2.11)–(2.13).

**Proof.** According to Remark 2.1, it suffices to note that, since  $\beta < +\infty$ , conditions (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) is satisfied by (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ) for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ .

#### 4. Sufficient Conditions for the Nonexistence of Solutions of the Type (2.3 $_{\ell}$ )

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied. Moreover, assume that, for  $\alpha = 1$ ,

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0 \quad (4.1_{\ell})$$

for large  $t_* \in R_+$  and some  $k \in N$  and, for  $\alpha > 1$ ,

$$\int_{\tau_{(-k)}(t_*)}^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} \left( \frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(\xi)) \right)^{\mu(\xi)-\delta} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty \tag{4.2\ell}$$

for some  $k \in N$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ . Then  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first equality in (2.1), and  $\rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}$  is given by (2.11)–(2.13).

**Proof.** Assume the contrary, i.e., that there exists  $t_0 \in R_+$  such that  $U_{\ell,t_0} \neq \emptyset$  (see Definition 2.1). Then equation (1.1) has a proper solution  $u : [t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow R$  satisfying condition (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ). Since the conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied, there exists  $t_* > t_0$  such that if  $\alpha = 1$  ( $\alpha > 1$ ), then condition (3.2) [condition (3.3)] is satisfied, which contradicts (4.1 $_{\ell}$ ) [(4.2 $_{\ell}$ )]. The obtained contradiction proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 4.1'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ) and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied, and let  $\beta < +\infty$ . Moreover, if  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\alpha > 1$ , for any large  $t_* \in R_+$  and, for some  $k \in N$  (for some  $k \in N$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ ), relation (4.1 $_{\ell}$ ) [(4.2 $_{\ell}$ )] holds, then  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** It suffices to note that, since  $\beta < +\infty$ , condition (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) is satisfied by (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ) for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ . Therefore, all conditions of Theorem 4.1 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Corollary 4.1.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let  $\alpha = 1$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied, and let

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0. \tag{4.3\ell}$$

Then, for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ ,  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$ , where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first equality in (2.1).

**Proof.** Since

$$\rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(t)) \geq \ell \quad \text{for large } t,$$

it suffices to note that, by (4.3 $_{\ell}$ ), condition (4.1 $_{\ell}$ ) is satisfied for  $\alpha = 1$  and  $k = 1$ .

**Corollary 4.1'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (4.3 $_{\ell}$ ), and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied. In this case, if  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , then  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** To prove the corollary, it suffices to note that, since  $\beta < +\infty$ , condition (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) holds by (4.3 $_{\ell}$ ).

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3) and (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) be satisfied, let  $\alpha = 1$ , and let

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \int_t^{+\infty} s^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(s))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(s)} |p(\xi)| ds = \gamma > 0. \tag{4.4\ell}$$

If, in addition, for some  $\varepsilon \in (0, \gamma)$ ,

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{\mu(\xi) \left( \ell - 1 + \frac{\gamma - \varepsilon}{\ell!(n-\ell)!} \right)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \tag{4.5_\ell}$$

then  $U_{\ell, t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is given by the first equality in (2.1).

**Proof.** Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, \gamma)$ . According to (4.4\_\ell), (2.11), and (2.13), it is clear that

$$\rho_{1, \ell, t_*}^{(1)}(\tau(t)) \geq \ell! (\tau(t))^{\frac{\gamma - \varepsilon}{\ell!(n-\ell)!}}$$

for large  $t$ . Therefore, by (4.5\_\ell), relation (4.1\_\ell) holds for  $k = 1$ , which proves the validity of the corollary.

**Corollary 4.2'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (3.1\_\ell), (4.4\_\ell), and (4.5\_\ell) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , then  $U_{\ell, t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** To prove the corollary, it suffices to note that condition (2.9\_{\ell, c}) is satisfied because  $\beta < +\infty$  by (4.4\_\ell).

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9\_{\ell, c}), and (3.1\_\ell) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha > 1$  and, for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ ,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta + (\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{4.6_\ell}$$

then  $U_{\ell, t_0} = \emptyset$ , for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** By virtue of (4.6\_\ell), condition (4.2\_\ell) holds for  $k = 1$ , which proves the validity of the corollary.

**Corollary 4.3'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (3.1\_\ell), (2.9\_{\ell, 1}), and (4.6\_\ell) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , then  $U_{\ell, t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** According to Corollary 4.3, it suffices to note that, since  $\beta < +\infty$  by (2.9\_{\ell, 1}), condition (2.9\_{\ell, c}) holds for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ .

**Corollary 4.4.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9\_{\ell, c}), (3.1\_\ell), (4.4\_\ell), and (4.6\_\ell) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha > 1$  and there exists  $m \in N$  such that

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\tau^m(t)}{t} > 0, \tag{4.7}$$

then  $U_{\ell, t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** By virtue of (4.4<sub>ℓ</sub>), there exist  $c > 0$  and  $t_1 \in R_+$  such that

$$t \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi \geq c \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1. \tag{4.8}$$

Let

$$\delta = \frac{1 + \alpha}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad m_0 = \frac{\delta(m - 1)}{c(\alpha - \delta)}.$$

Thus, by (4.8) and (2.26), there exists  $t_* > t_1$  such that

$$\rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq t^{m_0 c} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_*.$$

Therefore, for large  $t$  we find

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\tau(t)}{t}\right)^\delta \left(\frac{1}{\ell!} \rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(\tau(t))\right)^{\mu(t)-\delta} &\geq \left(\frac{\tau(t)}{t}\right)^\delta \left(\frac{1}{\ell!} \tau^{m_0 c}(t)\right)^{\alpha-\delta} \\ &= \frac{1}{(\ell!)^{\alpha-\delta}} \left(\frac{(\tau(t))^{1+\frac{m_0 c(\alpha-\delta)}{\delta}}}{t}\right)^\delta = (\ell!)^{\delta-\alpha} \left(\frac{\tau^m(t)}{t}\right)^\delta. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (4.7) and (4.6<sub>ℓ</sub>), it is obvious that (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds, which proves the corollary.

**Corollary 4.4'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>), (4.6<sub>ℓ</sub>), and (4.7) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , then  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** Since  $\beta < +\infty$ , it suffices to note that all conditions of Corollary 4.4 are satisfied.

In a similar way, one can prove the following corollary:

**Corollary 4.5.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) and (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) be satisfied, and let  $\alpha > 1$ . If, in addition,

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \ln t \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-2} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi > 0 \tag{4.9<sub>ℓ</sub>}$$

and, for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$  and  $m \in N$ ,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} (\ln \tau(\xi))^m |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{4.10<sub>ℓ</sub>}$$

then  $U_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is specified by the first equality in (2.1).

**Corollary 4.5'.** Let  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{\ell,1}$ ), (4.9 $_{\ell}$ ), and (4.10 $_{\ell}$ ) be satisfied. If, in addition,  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , then  $\mathbf{U}_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Corollary 4.6.** Let  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$  and let conditions (1.2), (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ), and (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) be satisfied. If, in addition, there exist  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t^\gamma \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi > 0, \tag{4.11_{\ell}}$$

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\tau(t)}{t^r} > 0 \tag{4.12}$$

and, at least one of the conditions

$$r \alpha \geq 1 \tag{4.13}$$

or  $r \alpha < 1$  is satisfied and, for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha)$ ,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1-\delta-\varepsilon+\frac{r(1-\gamma)(\alpha-\delta)}{1-\alpha r}} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{4.14_{\ell}}$$

then  $\mathbf{U}_{\ell,t_0} = \emptyset$  for any  $t_0 \in R_+$ , where  $\alpha$  is specified by the first equality in (2.1).

**Proof.** It suffices to show that condition (4.2 $_{\ell}$ ) is satisfied for some  $k \in N$ . Indeed, according to (4.11 $_{\ell}$ ) and (4.12), there exist  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ ,  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,  $c > 0$ , and  $t_1 \in R_+$  such that

$$t^\gamma \int_t^{+\infty} \xi^{n-\ell-1} (\tau(\xi))^{(\ell-1)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi \geq c \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1 \tag{4.15}$$

and

$$\tau(t) \geq c t^r \quad \text{for } t \geq t_1. \tag{4.16}$$

By (2.12 $_{\ell}$ ), (2.11 $_{\ell}$ ), and (4.15), we obtain

$$\rho_{2,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq \frac{c}{(n-\ell)!} \int_{\tau_{(-1)}(t_*)}^t s^{-\gamma} ds = \frac{c \left( t^{1-\gamma} - \tau_{(-1)}^{1-\gamma}(t_*) \right)}{(n-\ell)!(1-\gamma)} \quad \text{for } t \geq \tau_{(-1)}(t_*).$$

We now choose  $t_2 > \tau_{(-1)}(t_*)$  and  $c_1 \in (0, c)$  such that

$$\rho_{2,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq c_1 t^{1-\gamma} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_2.$$

Therefore, in view of (4.15) and (4.16), we can find  $t_3 > t_2$  and  $c_2 \in (0, c_1)$  such that, according to (2.12), we get

$$\rho_{3,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq c_2 t^{(1-\gamma)(1+\alpha r)} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_3.$$

Hence, for any  $k_0 \in N$ , there exist  $t_{k_0}$  and  $c_{k_0-1} > 0$  such that

$$\rho_{k_0,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq c_{k_0-1} t^{(1-\gamma)(1+\alpha r+\dots+(\alpha r)^{k_0-2})} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_{k_0}. \tag{4.17}$$

Assume that (4.13) is satisfied. We choose  $k_0 \in N$  such that

$$k_0 - 1 \geq \frac{\delta}{r(\alpha - \delta)(1 - \gamma)}.$$

Thus, by (4.16), (4.17), and (2.9<sub>ℓ,1</sub>), condition (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds for  $k = k_0$ .

In this case, the validity of the corollary has already been proved.

Further, assume that  $\alpha r < 1$  and, for some  $\varepsilon \in (0, (1 - \gamma(\alpha - \delta)r)$ , relation (4.14<sub>ℓ</sub>) is satisfied. We choose  $k_0 \in N$  such that

$$1 + \alpha r + \dots + (\alpha r)^{k_0-2} \geq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha r} - \frac{\varepsilon}{(1 - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)r}.$$

Thus, by (4.14<sub>ℓ</sub>), (4.16), and (4.17), it is clear that (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds for  $k = k_0$ . The proof the corollary is complete.

### 5. Differential Equations with Property B

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let conditions (1.2) and (1.3) be satisfied, let, for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with even  $\ell+n$ , conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) and (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) hold, and let (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>) be satisfied for even  $n$ . Moreover, let, for any large  $t_* \in R_+$  and  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell+n$ , condition (4.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) be true for some  $k \in N$  if  $\alpha = 1$  or, for some  $k \in N$ ,  $\gamma \in (1, +\infty)$ , and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ , relation (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) hold when  $\alpha > 1$ . Then equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first condition in (2.1) and  $\rho_{k,\ell,t_*}^{(\alpha)}$  is given by (2.11)–(2.13).*

**Proof.** Assume that equation (1.1) has a proper nonoscillatory solution  $u : [t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  [the case  $u(t) < 0$  is similar]. Then, by (1.2), (1.3), and Lemma 2.1, there exists  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\ell+n$  is even and condition (2.3<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds. Since, for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell+n$ , the conditions of Theorem 4.1 are satisfied, we have  $\ell \notin \{1, \dots, n-2\}$ . Let  $\ell = n$ . Thus, by (2.3<sub>n</sub>), it is clear that there exists  $c \in (0, 1]$  such that, for large  $t$ ,

$$u(\tau(t)) \geq c\tau^{n-1}(t).$$

Hence, by (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), it follows from (1.1) that

$$u^{(n-1)}(t) \geq \int_{t_1}^t (c\tau^{n-1}(s))^{\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds \rightarrow +\infty \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow +\infty,$$

where  $t_1$  is a sufficiently large number. This means that condition (1.4) is satisfied. We now assume that  $\ell = 0$ ,  $n$  is even, and there exists  $c \in (0, 1]$  such that  $u(t) \geq c$  for  $t \geq t_2$ , where  $t_2$  is a sufficiently large number. According

to (2.3<sub>0</sub>), from (1.1), we get

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (n-i-1)! t_1 |u^{(i)}(t_1)| \geq \int_{t_1}^t s^{n-1} c^{\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds \quad \text{for } t \geq t_2.$$

The last inequality contradicts conditions (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>). The obtained contradiction proves that condition (1.5) holds and, therefore, equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**.

**Theorem 5.1'.** *Let conditions (1.2) and (1.3) be satisfied, let conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,1</sub>) and (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) be satisfied for any ℓ ∈ {1, . . . , n} with even ℓ + n, and let (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>) hold for even n. Moreover, let β < +∞ and let, for any large t\* ∈ R+ and ℓ ∈ {1, . . . , n - 2} with even ℓ + n, condition (4.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) be satisfied for some k ∈ N if α = 1 or relation (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) hold for some k ∈ N, γ ∈ (1, +∞), and δ ∈ (1, α] if α > 1. Then equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**, where α and β are defined by the first condition in (2.1) and ρ<sub>k,ℓ,t\*</sub><sup>(α)</sup> is given by (2.11<sub>ℓ</sub>)–(2.13<sub>ℓ</sub>).*

**Proof.** Since β < +∞, by (2.9<sub>ℓ,1</sub>) for any ℓ ∈ {1, . . . , n} with even ℓ + n, condition (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) is satisfied. This means that conditions of Theorem 5.1 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let α > 1, let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>) be satisfied, and let*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(\tau(t))^{\mu(t)}}{t} > 0. \tag{5.1}$$

*If, in addition, for some δ ∈ (1, α),*

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-2-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^\delta |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{5.2}$$

*when n is odd, or*

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-3-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{5.3}$$

*when n is even, then equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**, where α is given by the first condition in (2.1).*

**Proof.** According to (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1), it is obvious that, for any ℓ ∈ {1, . . . , n}, conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) and (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) hold. On the other hand, by (5.1), (5.2), and (5.3), for any ℓ ∈ {1, . . . , n - 2} with even ℓ + n, condition (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) is satisfied. This means that if α > 1, then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 hold, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.2'.** *Let α > 1, let β < +∞, and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1) be satisfied. Moreover, assume that, for some δ ∈ (1, α], condition (5.2) holds if n is odd and condition (5.3) holds if n is even. Then equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**, where α and β are given by (2.1).*

**Proof.** Since β < +∞, by virtue of (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), it is clear that, for any c ∈ (0, 1], condition (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>) is satisfied. Thus, all conditions of Theorem 5.2 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.



**Corollary 5.1.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1) be satisfied, and let*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \int_t^{+\infty} s^{n-3} \tau(s) |p(s)| ds > 0. \tag{5.4}$$

Moreover, if, for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$  and  $\gamma > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-2-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+\gamma(\mu(\xi)-\delta)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \tag{5.5}$$

then equation (1.1) possesses Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** Since  $\alpha > 1$ , by (5.4), (2.11<sub>1</sub>), and (2.13<sub>1</sub>), for any  $\gamma > 0$ , there exists  $t_\gamma \in R_+$  such that

$$\rho_{1,1,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq \ell ! t^\gamma$$

for  $t \geq t_\gamma$ . Therefore, by (5.4), (5.5), and (5.1), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  condition (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds. Thus, for  $\alpha > 1$ , all conditions of Theorem 5.1' are satisfied. Hence, according to the same theorem, equation (1.1) has Property **B**.

By Corollary 5.1, Theorem 5.2' can be proved similarly.

**Corollary 5.1'.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), and (5.4) be satisfied. Moreover, if, for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$  and  $\gamma > 0$ , condition (5.5) is true, then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

**Corollary 5.2.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), and (5.4) be satisfied, and let there exist  $m \in N$  such that condition (4.7) holds. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is defined by the first condition in (2.1).*

**Proof.** By (5.1), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.4), it is clear that, for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>), and (4.6<sub>ℓ</sub>) are satisfied.

Assume that equation (1.1) has a nonoscillatory proper solution  $u : (t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ . Then, by (1.2), (1.3), and Lemma 2.1, there exists  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\ell + n$  is even and condition (2.3<sub>ℓ</sub>) is satisfied. By Corollary 4.4,  $\ell \notin \{1, \dots, n-2\}$ . If  $\ell = n$  (if  $n$  is even and  $\ell = 0$ ), then, by (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>) [(2.9<sub>1,c</sub>)] as in Theorem 5.1, we can show that condition (1.4) [condition (1.5)] holds, i.e., equation (1.1) has Property **B**.

**Corollary 5.2'.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), and (5.4) be satisfied. If, in addition, there exists  $m \in N$  such that condition (4.10) holds, then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

**Corollary 5.3.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1) be satisfied. Assume, moreover, that there exist  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$  such that conditions (4.14<sub>1</sub>) and (4.15) hold and, at least one of the conditions (4.16) or  $r\alpha < 1$  and, for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha)$ , (4.17<sub>1</sub>) are satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).*

**Proof.** Suppose that equation (1.1) has a proper nonoscillatory solution  $u : (t_0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ . Then, by (1.2), (1.3), and Lemma 2.1, there exists  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\ell + n$  is even and condition (2.3 $_{\ell}$ ) holds. Since by (2.9 $_{1,c}$ ), (3.1 $_1$ ), (4.14 $_1$ ), and (5.1), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$ , conditions (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ), (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) and (4.14 $_{\ell}$ ) are satisfied, according to Corollary 4.6, we get  $\ell \notin \{1, \dots, n-2\}$ . On the other hand, by analogy with Theorem 5.1, we can show that if  $\ell = 0$  ( $\ell = n$ ), then condition (1.4) [(1.5)] is satisfied, i.e., equation (1.1) has Property **B**.

**Corollary 5.3'.** Let  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta < +\infty$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{1,1}$ ), (3.1 $_1$ ), and (5.1) be satisfied, and let conditions (4.14 $_1$ ) and (4.15) hold for some  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$ . Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Theorem 5.3.** Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{n,c}$ ), and (3.1 $_{n-1}$ ) be satisfied, and let

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(\tau(t))^{\mu(t)}}{t} < +\infty. \quad (5.6)$$

If, in addition, for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ ,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(n-3)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty, \quad (5.7)$$

then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** According to (2.9 $_{n,c}$ ), (3.1 $_{n-1}$ ), and (5.6), it is obvious that, for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ , conditions (2.9 $_{\ell,c}$ ) and (3.1 $_{\ell}$ ) are satisfied. On the other hand, by (5.6) and (5.7), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ , condition (4.2 $_{\ell}$ ) holds. Hence, if  $\alpha > 1$ , then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.3'.** Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{n,1}$ ), (3.1 $_{n-1}$ ), and (5.6) be satisfied, and let condition (5.7) hold for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha)$ . Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).

**Proof.** Since  $\beta < +\infty$ , by (2.9 $_{n,1}$ ) it is obvious that, for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ , conditions (2.9 $_{n,c}$ ) hold. Thus, all conditions of Theorem 5.3 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Corollary 5.4.** Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9 $_{n,c}$ ), (3.1 $_{n-1}$ ) and (5.6) be satisfied, and let

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \int_t^{+\infty} (\tau(s))^{1+(n-3)\mu(s)} |p(s)| ds > 0. \quad (5.8)$$

If, moreover,

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{-1-\delta} (\tau(\xi))^{\delta+(n-3)\mu(\xi)+\gamma(\mu(\xi)-\delta)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds = +\infty \quad (5.9)$$

for some  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$  and  $\gamma > 0$ , then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** Since  $\alpha > 1$ , by (5.8), (2.11<sub>n-2</sub>), and (2.13<sub>n-2</sub>), for any  $\gamma > 0$  there exists  $t_* \in R_+$  such that

$$\rho_{1,n-2,t_*}^{(\alpha)}(t) \geq \ell ! t^\gamma$$

for  $t \geq t_\gamma$ . Therefore, by (5.6), (5.8), and (5.9), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  conditions (4.2<sub>ℓ</sub>) are satisfied. Hence, according to the same theorem, equation (1.1) has Property **B**.

**Corollary 5.4'.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), (5.8), and (5.9) be satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

In view of (5.6), by repeating the arguments used in Corollary 5.3, we easily prove that the following corollary is true:

**Corollary 5.5.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), and (5.6) be satisfied. Moreover, assume that there exist  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$  such that conditions (4.14<sub>n-2</sub>), (4.15), and at least one of the conditions (4.16) or  $r\alpha < 1$  and, for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ , (4.17<sub>n-2</sub>) are satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).*

**Corollary 5.5'.** *Let  $\alpha > 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), and (5.6) be satisfied. Moreover, assume that there exist  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$  such that conditions (4.14<sub>n-2</sub>), (4.15), and at least one of conditions (4.16) or  $r\alpha < 1$  and, for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta \in (1, \alpha]$ , (4.17<sub>n-2</sub>) are satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>) and (5.1) be satisfied. If, in addition,*

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-2} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \tag{5.10}$$

when  $n$  is odd, and

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-3} (\tau(\xi))^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \tag{5.11}$$

when  $n$  is even, then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** According to (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) and (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) are satisfied. On the other hand, by (5.1), (5.10), and (5.11), condition (4.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n - 2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ . Hence, if  $\alpha = 1$ , then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.4'.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), (5.10), and (5.11) be satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

**Proof.** Since  $\beta < +\infty$ , by (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), condition (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>) holds for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ . Thus, all conditions of Theorem 5.4 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.5.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), and (5.1) be satisfied. If, in addition,*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-3} \tau(\xi) |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > \max \left( \frac{\ell!(n-\ell)!}{\omega^{\ell-1}}, \ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-2\} \right) \tag{5.12}$$

and

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi^{n-2} (\tau(\xi))^{\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \tag{5.13}$$

then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where

$$\omega = \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(\tau(t))^{\mu(t)}}{t}. \tag{5.14}$$

**Proof.** By (5.12), (5.14), and (2.11<sub>ℓ</sub>), it is obvious that, for large  $t$ , we get

$$\rho_{1,\ell,t_*}^{(1)}(t) \geq \ell!t, \quad \ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}. \tag{5.15}$$

On the other hand, according to (2.9<sub>1,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), (5.14), (5.15), and (5.13), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ , conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) and (4.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) are satisfied. Thus, if  $\alpha = 1$ , then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 are true, which proves the validity of the theorem.

The proof of Theorem 5.4 has been used as a guide in proving Theorem 5.4'. In exactly the same way, the proof of Theorem 5.5 is used as a guide in proving the next theorem.

**Theorem 5.5'.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>1,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>1</sub>), (5.1), (5.12), and (5.13) be satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\omega$  is given by condition (5.14).*

**Theorem 5.6.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>) and (5.6) be satisfied. If, in addition,*

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi (\tau(\xi))^{(n-3)r(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \tag{5.16}$$

then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  is given by the first condition in (2.1).

**Proof.** According to (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), and (5.6), conditions (2.9<sub>ℓ,c</sub>) and (3.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) hold for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ . On the other hand, by (5.6) and (5.16), condition (4.1<sub>ℓ</sub>) holds for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-2\}$  with even  $\ell + n$ . Hence, if  $\alpha = 1$ , then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 are satisfied, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.6'.** *Let  $\alpha = 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), (5.6), and (5.16) be satisfied. Then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given by (2.1).*

**Proof.** Since  $\beta < +\infty$ , it suffices to show that, by (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), for any  $c \in (0, 1]$  condition (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>) is satisfied.

**Theorem 5.7.** Let  $\alpha = 1$  and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), and (5.6) be satisfied. If, in addition,

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} (\tau(\xi))^{1+(n-3)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > \max \left( \frac{\ell!(n-\ell)!}{\omega^{n-\ell-2}}, \ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-2\} \right), \quad (5.17)$$

then the condition

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_s^{+\infty} \xi (\tau(\xi))^{(n-2)\mu(\xi)} |p(\xi)| d\xi ds > 0, \quad (5.18)$$

is sufficient for equation (1.1) to have Property **B**, where

$$\omega = \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{t}{(\tau(t))^{\mu(t)}}. \quad (5.19)$$

**Proof.** By (5.17), (5.19), and (2.11), it is clear that, for large  $t$ , condition (5.15) holds.

On the other hand, according to (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), (5.6), (5.15), (5.18), and (5.19), for any  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ , conditions (2.9<sub>\ell,c</sub>), (3.1<sub>\ell</sub>), and (4.1<sub>\ell</sub>) are satisfied. Thus, if  $\alpha = 1$ , then all conditions of Theorem 5.1 are true, which proves the validity of the theorem.

**Theorem 5.7'.** Let  $\alpha = 1$ , let  $\beta < +\infty$ , and let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), (3.1<sub>n-1</sub>), and (5.6) be satisfied. If, moreover, conditions (5.17) and (5.18) hold, then equation (1.1) has Property **B**, where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\omega$  are given by (2.1) and (5.19).

**Proof.** Since  $\beta < +\infty$ , it suffices to show that, by (2.9<sub>n,1</sub>), conditions (2.9<sub>n,c</sub>) are satisfied for any  $c \in (0, 1]$ .

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