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Department, New Orleans, LA 70125. *Global asymptotic behavior of certain class of nonlinear  
nonautonomous difference equations.*

In this paper we study the global asymptotic behavior of positive solutions of the nonlinear nonautonomous difference equation of the form

$$x_{n+1} = a_n x_n f(x_{n-k}), n = 0, 1, \dots$$

with positive initial conditions where the sequence  $a_n$  is positive and periodic with period  $p$ , and the function  $f$  satisfies some additional conditions. Results are applied to some periodically forced classical population models. (Received September 06, 2017)