Stability of stochastic systems driven by Lévy processes

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Background of Lévy process

• The basic theory was established in the 1930s by Paul Lévy, but a great deal of new theoretical development as well as novel applications have appeared in recent years.

• They form special subclasses of both semimartingales and Markov processes.

• They are the simplest examples of random motions whose sample paths are right-continuous and have a number (at most countable) of random jump discontinuities occurring at random times on each finite time interval.

Background of Lévy process

• Mathematical finance, the fluctuations in the financial markests, quantum field theory, filtering, economics, control, physics, mechanics, engineering;

• Earthquakes, hurricanes, epidemics;

 Important examples: Brownian motion and Gaussian processes, Poisson processes, Compound Poisson processes, Interlacing processes, α-stable Lévy process, Subordinators.

The definition of Lévy process

Definition 1(Lévy process)

Let L(t) be a stochastic process defined on a complete probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) , then L(t) is a Lévy process if the following conditions hold:

(a)
$$L(0) = 0$$
 (a.s.);

(b) L(t) has independent and stationary increments;

(c) L(t) is stochastically continuous,

i.e. for all k > 0 and $t, s \ge 0$,

$$\lim_{t\to s} P(|L(t) - L(s)| > k) = 0;$$

Remark

Remark 1 In the presence of (a) and (b), (c) is equivalent to the following condition: for all k > 0,

$$\lim_{t\downarrow 0} P(|L(t)| > k) = 0.$$

Remark 2 L(t) has càdlàg paths (i.e., the paths are right continuous with left limits.).

Some examples of Lévy processes

1. Brownian motion: A standard Brownian motion

$$B = (B(t), t \ge 0)$$
 is a Lévy process on \mathbb{R}^d such that

- $B(t) \sim N(0, tl)$ for each $t \ge 0$,
- *B* has continuous sample paths.

The characteristic function of a standard Brownian motion is given by

$$\phi_{B(t)}(u) = \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}t|u|^2\right\},\,$$

for each $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $t \ge 0$.

Some examples of Lévy processes

2. **Poisson process:** Let $N = (N(t), t \ge 0)$ be a Poisson process with intensity $\lambda > 0$. It is a Lévy process with non-negative integer values. For each t > 0, N(t) follows a Poisson distribution with parameter λt so that

$$P(N(t) = n) = \frac{(\lambda t)^n e^{-\lambda t}}{n!}$$

for each *n* = 0, 1, 2, ...

Remark

A Poisson process has piecewise constant paths on each finite time interval and at the random times

$$\tau_n = \inf \left\{ t \ge 0 : N(t) = n \right\},\,$$

and it has jumps of size 1. Its characteristic function is given by

$$\phi_{N(t)}(u) = \exp\left[\lambda t(e^{iu} - 1)\right],$$

for each $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $t \ge 0$.

Some examples of Lévy processes

3. Compound Poisson process:

Let $N = (N(t), t \ge 0)$ be a Poisson process with intensity $\lambda > 0$ and let $(U(m), m \in N)$ be a sequence of independent, identically distributed random variables on \mathbb{R}^d , independent of N and defined on the probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with common law μ_U .

The compound Poisson process $Z = (Z(t), t \ge 0)$ is a Lévy process, where for each $t \ge 0$,

$$Z(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N(t)} U(k).$$

Some examples of Lévy processes

The characteristic function of a compound Poisson process is given by

$$\phi_{Z(t)}(u) = \exp\left\{t\left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (e^{\langle iu, y \rangle} - 1)\lambda_{\mu U}(y)\right]\right\},\$$

for each $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $t \ge 0$ and we can deduce that the Lévy measure for Z is $\lambda_{\mu U}$.

Lévy-Khintchine formula

If L(t) is a Lévy process, then for all $t \ge 0$ and $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$\mathsf{E}(\mathsf{e}^{i(u,L(t))})=\mathsf{e}^{t\eta(u)},$$

where

$$\begin{split} \eta(u) &= i(b, u) - \frac{1}{2}(u, Au) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d - \{0\}} [e^{i(u, y)} \\ &- 1 - i(u, y) I_{(0 < |y| < 1)}(y)] \nu(dy), \end{split}$$

and A is a positive definite symmetric $d \times d$ matrix.

The law of L(t) is uniquely determined by its characteristics (b, A, ν) .

Lévy Itó decomposition Theorem

If L(t) is a Lévy process, then there exist a constant $b \in \mathbb{R}^d$, a Brownian motion B_A with covariance matrix A and independent Poisson random measure N defined on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times (\mathbb{R}^d - \{0\})$ with compensator \tilde{N} , such that for every $t \ge 0$,

$$L(t) = bt + B_A(t) + \int_{|y| < c} y \widetilde{N}(t, dy) + \int_{|y| \ge c} y N(t, dy),$$

where • $\widetilde{N}(t, dy) = N(t, dy) - t\nu(dy)$,

- *N* is independent of *B* and is a Poisson random measure defined on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times (\mathbb{R}^d \{0\})$ with compensator \tilde{N} and intensity measure ν .
- ν is a Lévy measure defined on $\mathbb{R}^d \{0\}$, which satisfies

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d-\{0\}}(y^2\wedge 1)\nu(dy)<\infty,$$

- $b = E(L(1) \int_{|y| \ge c} yN(1, dy)),$
- the parameter $c \in [0,\infty)$ is a constant.
- •Usually, the pair (*B*, *N*) is called a *Lévy noise*.

Lévy martingale

• The process L(t) is a martingale, and will be called a Lévy martingale, if and only if

$$\int_{(|x|>1)} |x|\nu(dx) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad b = -\int_{(|x|>1)} x\nu(dx).$$

In this case, the process L(t) can be written as follows:

$$L(t) = B_A(t) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d - \{0\}} y \widetilde{N}(t, dy).$$

• If $L(t) = L_M(t) + bt$, where L_M is a Lévy martingale, we call L(t) a Lévy martingale with drift.

Stochastic system of Lévy processes:

Consider the following stochastic differential equation driven by Lévy processes:

$$dx(t) = f(x(t))dt + g(x(t))dL(t), \ t \ge t_0 \ge 0,$$
(1)

with the initial value $x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where *f* and *g* are two functions, and L(t) is a Lévy process.

Stochastic system of Lévy processes:

By using the Lévy Itó decomposition Theorem, we establish the following model:

$$dx(t) = f(x(t))dt + g(x(t))dB(t) + \int_{|y| < c} h_1(x(t-), y)\tilde{N}(dt, dy) + \int_{|y| \ge c} h_2(x(t-), y)N(dt, dy), \ t \ge t_0 \ge 0,$$
(2)

with the initial value $x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where the mappings $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d, g : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathcal{M}_{d,m}(\mathbb{R}), h_i(i = 1, 2) : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$, and the constant $c \in (0, \infty]$ is the maximum allowable jump size.

Here, $\mathcal{M}_{d,m}$ denotes the space of all real-valued $d \times m$ matrices with the norm $||A|| := (\sum_{i=1}^{d} \sum_{j=1}^{m} |a_{ij}a_{ji}|)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $A = (a_{ij})_{d \times m}$.

Conditions:

Assumption 1 *f*, *g*, *h*₁, *h*₂ satisfy the global Lipschitz condition, i.e., there exist four positive constants K_i (*i* = 1, 2, 3, 4) such that

$$egin{aligned} |f(x_1)-f(x_2)| &\leq \mathcal{K}_1|x_1-x_2|, \quad |g(x_1)-g(x_2)| &\leq \mathcal{K}_2|x_1-x_2|, \ &\int_{|y| \geq c} |h_1(x_1,y)-h_1(x_2,y)|
u(dy) &\leq \mathcal{K}_3|x_1-x_2|, \ &\int_{|y| \geq c} |h_2(x_1,y)-h_2(x_2,y)|
u(dy) &\leq \mathcal{K}_4|x_1-x_2|, \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Assumption 2 f(0) = 0, g(0) = 0, $h_1(0, y) = 0$ for all |y| < c, and $h_2(0, y) = 0$ for all $|y| \ge c$.

Existence and Uniqueness Theorem (I):

Remark 2 Under Assumptions 1 and 2, Theorem 1 below ensures that (2) has a unique solution x(t). In particular, $x(t) \equiv 0$ for all $t \ge t_0$ corresponding to the initial data $x(t_0) = 0$, which is often called the *trivial solution*. **Theorem 1** Under Assumptions 1 and 2, there exists a unique solution x(t) to Eq. (2) with the standard initial condition. Moreover, the solution x(t) is equals to zero for all $t \ge t_0$ corresponding to the initial data $x(t_0) = 0$, which is often called

the trivial solution.

Proof. By using the well-known Picard iteration, together with Doob's martingale inequality, Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, Gronwall's inequality, Itô's isometry and stochastic analysis theory.

Conditions:

Assumption 3 *f*, *g*, *h*₁, *h*₂ satisfy the local Lipschitz condition, i.e., for each m = 1, 2, ..., there exist four positive constants K_{im} , *i* = 1, 2, 3, 4 such that

$$egin{aligned} |f(x_1)-f(x_2)| &\leq \mathcal{K}_{1m}|x_1-x_2|, \quad |g(x_1)-g(x_2)| &\leq \mathcal{K}_{2m}|x_1-x_2|, \ &\int_{|y| &\geq c} |h_1(x_1,y)-h_1(x_2,y)|
u(dy) &\leq \mathcal{K}_{3m}|x_1-x_2|, \ &\int_{|y| &\geq c} |h_2(x_1,y)-h_1(x_2,y)|
u(dy) &\leq \mathcal{K}_{4m}|x_1-x_2|, \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d$ with $|x_1| \lor |x_2| \le m$, where $a \lor b$ represents max{a, b}.

Remark:

Remark 3 Under Assumptions 2 and 3, Eq. (2) has a unique local solution x(t). To ensure a unique global solution x(t) to Eq. (2), we need an additional condition. To present the condition, we need to the following infinitesimal generator A of x(t) defined by

$$Af(x) := \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{E^{x}[f(x(t))] - f(x)}{t}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{d},$$
(3)

where the set of functions $f : \mathbb{R}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the limit exists at x is denoted by $\mathcal{D}_A(x)$, while \mathcal{D}_A denotes the set of functions for which the limit exists for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Notations:

• $C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}_+)$ denotes the family of all nonnegative functions V(t, x) on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d$ which are continuously twice differentiable in x and differentiable in t.

$$V_t(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) = \frac{\partial V(t, \mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial t}, \quad V_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) = \left(\frac{\partial^2 V(t, \mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial \mathbf{x}_i \partial \mathbf{x}_j}\right)_{n \times n}$$
$$V_{\mathbf{x}}(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) = \left(\frac{\partial V(t, \mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial V(t, \mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial \mathbf{x}_n}\right).$$

• $\mathcal{B}_h := \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x| < h \}$ • $C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathcal{B}_h; \mathbb{R}_+)$ can be defined similarly.

Define an operator $\mathcal{G}V$:

If $V \in C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}_+)$, then according to [D. Applebaum. (2009)], we can define an operator $\mathcal{G}V$ from $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d$ to \mathbb{R} by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) &= V_t(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) + V_x(t, \mathbf{x}(t))f(\mathbf{x}(t)) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}trace[g^T(\mathbf{x}(t))V_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(t, \mathbf{x}(t))g(\mathbf{x}(t))] \\ &+ \int_{|\mathbf{y}| < c} [V(t, \mathbf{x}(t) + h_1(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{y})) - V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \\ &- h_1(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{y})V_x(t, \mathbf{x}(t))]\nu(d\mathbf{y}) \\ &+ \int_{|\mathbf{y}| \ge c} [V(t, \mathbf{x}(t) + h_2(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{y})) - V(t, \mathbf{x}(t))]\nu(d\mathbf{y}). \end{aligned}$$
(4)

Remark 4 Note that G is the infinitesimal generator of the Feller semigroup when $\{x(t), t \ge t_0\}$ is a Feller process.

Conditions:

Define
$$U_R^c := \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x| > R \}$$

Assumption 4 There exists a nonnegative function V(t, x) on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times U_R^c$ that is twice continuously differentiable in $x \in U_R^c$ for some R > 0 sufficiently large and differentiable in t, such that there exists a constant $\alpha > 0$ satisfying

$$\mathcal{G}V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \leq \alpha V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)),$$

 $\inf_{\mathbf{x}(t)>R} V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \to \infty \quad \text{as} \quad R \to \infty.$

Existence and Uniqueness Theorem (II):

Theorem 2 Under Assumptions 2,3 and 4, there exists a unique global solution x(t) to Eq. (2) with the standard initial condition.

Proof. Under Assumptions 2 and 3, there exists a unique maximal solution $x = \{x(t), 0 \le t < \sigma\}$, where σ is the explosion time. If we can prove $\sigma = \infty$, we know that x(t) is global. To this end, we define the stopping time

$$\sigma_{k} = \inf\{0 \leq t < \sigma : V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \geq k\}.$$

Obviously, σ_k is increasing on k, and so we have $\sigma_k \to \sigma_\infty$ as $k \to \infty$. Furthermore, we have $\sigma_\infty \leq \sigma$. So we only need to prove $\sigma_\infty = \infty$.

Definition 1 The trivial solution of (2) is said to stochastically stable or stable in probability if for every pair of $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and $\rho > 0$, there exists a $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon, \rho, t_0)$ such that

$$P\{|\mathbf{x}(t)| < \rho \text{ for all } t \geq t_0\} \geq 1 - \varepsilon$$

whenever $|\mathbf{x}_0| < \delta$. Otherwise it is said to be stochastically unstable.

Definition 2 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be almost surely stable if

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} x(t) = 0 \quad a.s.$$

for all $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition 3 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be asymptotically stable in the *p*th moment if

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}\mathbf{E}|x(t)|^p=0$$

for all $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition 4 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be *p*th moment exponentially stable if there is a pair of constants $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ such that

$$|\mathbf{E}|\mathbf{x}(t)|^{p} \leq \alpha |\mathbf{x}_{0}|^{p} \exp\{-\beta(t-t_{0})\}$$

for all $t \ge t_0$ and $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Remark 5 We remark that asymptotically stable in the *p*th moment is often called asymptotically stable in the mean square when p = 2. Similarly, exponentially stable in the *p*th moment is often called exponentially stable in the mean square when p = 2.

Definition 5 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be is said to be almost surely *p*th moment exponentially exponentially stable if

$$\limsup_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\log|x(t)|^p=0 \quad a.s.$$

for all $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition 6 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be continuous in probability if for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$\lim_{\delta\to 0} P\{|\mathbf{x}(t+\delta)-\mathbf{x}(t)|\geq \varepsilon\}=0.$$

Definition 7 The trivial solution of (2) is said to be continuous in the *p*th moment if

$$\lim_{\delta\to 0} \mathbf{E} |x(t+\delta) - x(t)|^p = 0$$

for all $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$. In particular, continuous in the 2th moment is usually called continuous in the mean square when p = 2.

Main results

Theorem 3 Under Assumptions 1 and 2, the trivial solution of (2) is stable in probability if there exists a positive definite function $V \in C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathcal{B}_h; \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that

$$\mathcal{G}V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \leq 0$$
 (5)

for all $x(t) \in \mathcal{B}_h$. **Proof.** Take $0 < c < \frac{h}{2}$ and define the stopping time

$$\tau = \inf\{t \ge t_0 : |\mathbf{x}(t)| \ge c\}.$$

The main tools of the proof are Itô's formula, stochastic analysis, probability inequalities techniques.

Assumption 5

One of the following two conditions holds: (i) If $0 , then for any <math>0 < q \le p$, there exist positive constants \tilde{K}_i (i = 1, 2) such that

$$\int_{|y|

$$\int_{|y|\geq c} |h_2(x,y)|^q \nu(dy) \leq \tilde{K}_2 |x|^q,$$
(6)
(7)$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$; (ii) If $p \ge 2$, then for any $2 \le q \le p$, there exist positive constants $\tilde{K}_i (i = 1, 2)$ such that (6) and (7) are satisfied for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Remark:

Remark 6 Assumption 5 is slightly weaker than the following condition:

(H) For any $0 < q \le p$, there exist positive constants \widetilde{K}_i (i = 1, 2) such that (6) and (7) are true for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Actually, when q = 0.5, p = 3, (6) and (7) are required to hold in **(H)**, but (6) and (7) are allowed to fail in Assumption 5.

Notations

• \mathcal{K}_{\triangle} denotes the family of all continuous increasing convex functions $\kappa : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ such that $\kappa(0) = 0$ while $\kappa(u) > 0$ for u > 0;

• $L^1(\mathbb{R}_+;\mathbb{R}_+)$ is the family of functions $\gamma:\mathbb{R}_+\to\mathbb{R}_+$ such that $\int_0^\infty \gamma(t)dt < \infty$;

• $\Psi(\mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$ is the family of continuous functions $\psi : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ such that for any $\delta > 0$ and any increasing sequence $\{t_k\}_{k \ge 1}, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{t_k}^{t_k + \delta} \psi(t) dt = \infty.$

Main results

Theorem 4 Under Assumptions 1, 2 and 5, the trivial solution of (2) is asymptotically stable in the *p*th moment if there exist functions $V \in C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}_+), \gamma \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+), \kappa_1, \kappa_2 \in \mathcal{K}_{\Delta}, \psi \in \Psi(\mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$ and a positive constant p > 0 such that

$$V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \ge \kappa_1(|\mathbf{x}(t)|^{\rho}), \tag{8}$$

$$\mathcal{G}V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \le \gamma(t) - \psi(t)\kappa_2(|\mathbf{x}(t)|^p)$$
(9)

for all $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Main results

Theorem 5 Under Assumptions 1, 2 and 5, the trivial solution of (2) is asymptotically stable in the *p*th moment if there exist two functions $V \in C_1^2(\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}_+), \gamma \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$ and two positive constants $p > 0, \alpha > 0$ such that

$$\mathcal{G}V(t, \mathbf{x}(t)) \le \gamma(t) - \alpha |\mathbf{x}(t)|^{\rho}$$
(10)

for all $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Proof of Theorem 5

Proof. By Itô's formula, we have that for any t > s,

$$\begin{aligned} |x(t)|^{p} &= |x(s)|^{p} + \int_{s}^{t} p|x(u-)|^{p-2}x^{T}(u-)g(x(u-))dB(u) \\ &+ \int_{s}^{t} p|x(u-)|^{p-2}x^{T}(u-)f(x(u-))du \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}p(p-2)\int_{s}^{t} |x(u-)|^{p-4}|x^{T}(u-)g(x(u-))|^{2}du \\ &+ \frac{p}{2}\int_{s}^{t} |x(u-)|^{p-2}|g(x(u-))|^{2}du \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| < c} [|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}] \tilde{N}(du, dy) + \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| \geq c} [|x(u-) + I(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}] N(du, dy) + \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| < c} [|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p} - p|x(u-)|^{p-2} x^{T}(u-) H(x(u-), y)] \nu(dy) du.$$
(11)

$$\leq |x(s)|^{p} + [K_{1}p + \frac{1}{2}p(p-2)K_{1} + \frac{p}{2}K_{1}^{2}]\int_{s}^{t}|x(u-)|^{p}du + \int_{s}^{t}p|x(u-)|^{p-2}x^{T}(u-)g(x(u-))dB(u) + \int_{s}^{t}\int_{|y|(12)$$

Thus, for any $\delta \ge 0$, we get

$$\begin{split} & \mathbf{E}\left(\sup_{s\leq t\leq s+\delta}|x(v)|^{p}\right) \\ & \leq \mathbf{E}|x(s)|^{p}+[\mathcal{K}_{1}p+\frac{1}{2}p(p-2)\mathcal{K}_{1}+\frac{p}{2}\mathcal{K}_{1}^{2}]\int_{s}^{s+\delta}\mathbf{E}|x(u-)|^{p}du \\ & +\mathbf{E}\left[\sup_{s\leq t\leq s+\delta}\int_{s}^{t}p|x(u-)|^{p-2}x^{T}(u-)g(x(u-))dB(u)\right] \end{split}$$

$$+ \mathbf{E} \{ \sup_{s \le t \le s + \delta} [\int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| < c} (|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \tilde{N}(du, dy) + \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| < c} (|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p} - p|x(u-)|^{p-2} x^{T}(u-) H(x(u-), y)) \nu(dy) du] \} + \mathbf{E} \{ \sup_{s \le t \le s + \delta} [\int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| \ge c} (|x(u-) + I(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \tilde{N}(du, dy) + \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| \ge c} (|x(u-) + I(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \nu(dy) du] \}.$$
(13)

By the Burkholder-Davis-Gundy inequality (for instance, see Mao (1997,2008) pp. 129), we have

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sup_{s \le t \le s+\delta} \int_{s}^{t} p|x(u-)|^{p-2} x^{T}(u-)g(x(u-))dB(u) \right]$$

$$\le \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{E} \left[\sup_{s \le t \le s+\delta} |x(v-)|^{p} \right] + 16p^{2} K_{1} \int_{s}^{s+\delta} \mathbf{E} |x(u-)|^{p} du.$$

On the other hand, from the Kunita's estimate (see Applebaum (2004, 2009), Kunita(1984)) and Hölder inequality we see that there exist two positive constants $c_1(p)$ and $c_2(p)$ such that

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{E} \{ \sup_{s \leq t \leq s + \delta} [\int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| < c} (|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \tilde{N}(du, dy) \\ &+ \int_{t}^{v} \int_{|y| < c} (|x(u-) + H(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \\ &- p|x(u-)|^{p-2} x^{T}(u-) H(x(u-), y)) \nu(dy) du] \} \\ &\leq c_{1}(p) \mathsf{E} \left[\left(\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^{2} \nu(dy) du \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \right] \\ &+ c_{2}(p) \mathsf{E} \left[\left(\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^{p} \nu(dy) du \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \right] \end{split}$$

$$\leq c_1(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \mathbf{E} \left[\int_s^{s+\delta} \left(\int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^2 \nu(dy) \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} du \right]$$

+ $c_2(p) \mathbf{E} \left[\left(\int_s^{s+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^p \nu(dy) du \right) \right]$
$$\leq \left[c_1(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\frac{p}{2}} + c_2(p) \mathcal{K}_2 \right] \int_s^{s+\delta} \mathbf{E} |x(u-)|^p du.$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{E} \{ \sup_{s \leq t \leq s + \delta} [\int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| \geq c} (|x(u-) + I(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p}) \tilde{N}(du, dy) \\ &+ \int_{s}^{t} \int_{|y| \geq c} (|x(u-) + I(x(u-), y)|^{p} - |x(u-)|^{p} \\ &- p|x(u-)|^{p-2} x^{T}(u-) H(x(u-), y)) \nu(dy) du] \} \\ &\leq c_{1}(p) \mathsf{E} \left[\left(\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^{2} \nu(dy) du \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \right] \\ &+ c_{2}(p) \mathsf{E} \left[\left(\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} |H(x(u-), y)|^{p} \nu(dy) du \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \right] \end{split}$$

$$\leq c_{1}(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\mathbf{E}\left[\int_{s}^{s+\delta}\left(\int_{|y|
$$+c_{2}(p)\mathbf{E}\left[\left(\int_{s}^{s+\delta}\int_{|y|
$$\leq \left[c_{1}(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1}K_{2}^{\frac{p}{2}}+c_{2}(p)K_{2}\right]\int_{s}^{s+\delta}\mathbf{E}|x(u-)|^{p}du.$$
(14)$$$$

Thus,

$$\begin{split} & \mathbf{E}\left(\sup_{s \leq v \leq s+\delta} |x(v)|^{p}\right) \\ & \leq \mathbf{E}|x(s)|^{p} + [\mathcal{K}_{1}p + \frac{1}{2}p(p-2)\mathcal{K}_{1} + \frac{p}{2}\mathcal{K}_{1}^{2}]\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \mathbf{E}|x(u-)|^{p}du \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{E}\left[\sup_{s \leq v \leq s+\delta} |x(v-)|^{p}\right] + 16p^{2}\mathcal{K}_{1}\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \mathbf{E}|x(u-)|^{p}du \\ & + \left[c_{1}(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\mathcal{K}_{2}^{\frac{p}{2}} + c_{2}(p)\mathcal{K}_{2}\right]\int_{s}^{s+\delta} \mathbf{E}|x(u-)|^{p}du, \end{split}$$

$$\mathbf{E}\left(\sup_{s \le v \le s+\delta} |x(v)|^{\rho}\right) \\
\le 2\mathbf{E}|x(t)|^{\rho} + [2K_{1}\rho + \rho(\rho-2)K_{1} + \rho K_{1}^{2} + 32\rho^{2}K_{1} \\
+ 2c_{1}(\rho)\delta^{\frac{\rho}{2}-1}K_{2}^{\frac{\rho}{2}} + 2c_{2}(\rho)K_{2}]\delta\mathbf{E}\left(\sup_{t \le v \le t+\delta} |x(v)|^{\rho}\right). (15)$$

Now choose the constant δ enough small such that

$$[2K_1p+p(p-2)K_1+pK_1^2+32p^2K_1+2c_1(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1}K_2^{\frac{p}{2}}+2c_2(p)K_2]\delta<1.$$

Then, it follows from (15) that

$$\mathsf{E}\left(\sup_{t\leq v\leq t+\delta}|x(v)|^{p}\right)\leq \frac{2}{1-C(p,\delta,K_{1},K_{2})}\mathsf{E}|x(t)|^{p},\qquad(16)$$

where $C(p, \delta, K_1, K_2) = [2K_1p + p(p-2)K_1 + pK_1^2 + 32p^2K_1 + 2c_1(p)\delta^{\frac{p}{2}-1}K_2^p + 2c_2(p)K_2^p]\delta$. Hence,

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int_{\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}}^{\frac{m\delta}{2}} \mathsf{E}\left(\sup_{t\leq v\leq t+\delta} |x(v)|^{\rho}\right) dt$$

$$\leq \frac{2}{1-C(\rho,\delta,K_{1},K_{2})} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int_{\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}}^{\frac{m\delta}{2}} \mathsf{E}|x(t)|^{\rho} dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{1-C(\rho,\delta,K_{1},K_{2})} \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathsf{E}|x(t)|^{\rho} dt < \infty, \quad (17)$$

which yields

$$\lim_{m\to\infty}\int_{\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}}^{\frac{m\delta}{2}}\mathsf{E}\left(\sup_{t\leq\nu\leq t+\delta}|x(\nu)|^{p}\right)dt=0. \tag{18}$$

Observe that

$$\mathsf{E}\left(\sup_{\frac{m\delta}{2} \le v \le \frac{(m+1)\delta}{2}} |x(v)|^{\rho}\right) \le \mathsf{E}\left(\sup_{t \le v \le t+\delta} |x(v)|^{\rho}\right) \forall t \in \left[\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}, \frac{m\delta}{2}\right]$$

Then, by (18) we get

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$$\begin{split} 0 &\leq \frac{\delta}{2} \lim_{m \to \infty} \mathsf{E} \left(\sup_{\frac{m\delta}{2} \leq v \leq \frac{(m+1)\delta}{2}} |x(v)|^{p} \right) \\ &= \lim_{m \to \infty} \int_{\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}}^{\frac{m\delta}{2}} \mathsf{E} \left(\sup_{\frac{m\delta}{2} \leq v \leq \frac{(m+1)\delta}{2}} |x(v)|^{p} \right) dt \\ &\leq \lim_{m \to \infty} \int_{\frac{(m-1)\delta}{2}}^{\frac{m\delta}{2}} \mathsf{E} \left(\sup_{t \leq v \leq t+\delta} |x(v)|^{p} \right) dt = 0, \end{split}$$

which implies

$$\lim_{m\to\infty} \mathbf{E}\left(\sup_{\frac{m\delta}{2}\leq \nu\leq \frac{(m+1)\delta}{2}} |x(\nu)|^{\rho}\right) = 0. \tag{19}$$

Obviously, from (19) it follows that

$$\lim_{v\to\infty}\mathbf{E}|x(v)|^p=0.$$

Therefore, the trivial solution of (2) is asymptotically stable in the pth moment.

Main results

Theorem 6 Suppose that the conditions of Theorem 5 hold. Then the trivial solution of (2) is almost surely asymptotically stable.

Main results

We now investigate the continuity of the trivial solution for system (2).

Theorem 7 Under Assumptions 1, 2 and 5, the trivial solution of (2) is continuous in the *p*th moment if $\mathbf{E}|x(t)|^p$ is bounded for any t > 0, i.e. there exists a positive constant *K* such that $\mathbf{E}|x(t)|^p \le K < \infty$. **Proof.**

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{E}|x(t+\delta) - x(t)|^{p} &= \mathsf{E}|\int_{t}^{t+\delta} f(x(u))du + \int_{t}^{t+\delta} g(x(u))dB(u) \\ &+ \int_{t}^{t+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} h_{1}(x(u-), y)\tilde{N}(du, dy) \\ &+ \int_{|y| \geq c} h_{2}(x(t-), y)N(dt, dy)|^{p} \end{split}$$

$$\leq 4^{p-1} \mathbf{E} |\int_t^{t+\delta} f(x(u-)) du|^p + 4^{p-1} \mathbf{E} |\int_t^{t+\delta} g(x(u-)) dB(u)|^p$$

+4^{p-1} \mathbf{E} | $\int_t^{t+\delta} \int_{|y| < c} h_1(x(u-), y) \tilde{N}(du, dy)|^p$
+4^{p-1} \mathbf{E} | $\int_t^{t+\delta} \int_{|y| \geq c} h_2(x(u-), y) N(du, dy)|^p$

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