

EXPONENTIAL STABILITY OF A KIND OF STOCHASTIC DELAY DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS

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We present a Razumilchin-type theorem for stochastic delay difference equation, and use it to investigate the mean square exponential stability of a kind of nonautonomous stochastic difference equation which may also be viewed as an approximation of a nonautonomous stochastic delay integrodifferential equations (SDIDEs), and of a difference equation arises from some of the earliest mathematical models of the macroeconomic “trade cycle” with the environmental noise.

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1. Introduction

The problem of stability of stochastic difference equation has been investigated in a number of papers. We refer the readers to [2, 3, 13–17]. Some results on the asymptotic behavior of the moments were obtained in [18]. But very few results on the Razumilchin-type theorem for stochastic delay difference equation have been published. In this paper, we present a Razumilchin-type theorem for stochastic delay difference equation, and use it to investigate the mean square exponential stability of a kind of nonautonomous stochastic difference equation.

We consider the equation

$$X_{n+1} = a(n, X_{n-m}, \dots, X_n) + b(n, X_{n-m}, \dots, X_n) \Delta \mu_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (1.1)$$

where $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a(n, 0, \dots, 0) = b(n, 0, \dots, 0) = 0$, $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{0, 1, \dots\}$, and $X_n = \xi_n$ ($n \in I = \{-m, -m+1, \dots, -1, 0\}$) is the initial segment to be \mathcal{F}_0 -measurable. $\Delta \mu_n$ are independent $N(0, 1)$ -distributed Gaussian random variables.

We denote by $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{F}_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \mathbb{P})$ a complete filtered probability space, where filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is naturally generated: $\mathcal{F}_{n+1} = \sigma\{\Delta \mu_{i+1} : i = 0, 1, \dots, n\}$. Among all the sequences $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of the random variables, we distinguish those for which X_n are \mathcal{F}_n -measurable for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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2. Main result

Definition 2.1. The stochastic difference equation (1.1) is said to be p th moment exponentially stable if there are positive constants γ and N such that with initial data $\xi_n, n \in I$,

$$E |X_n|^p \leq NE \|\xi\|^p e^{-\gamma n} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (2.1)$$

where $\|\xi\| = \max_{n \in I} |\xi_n|$.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let all λ, p, c_1, c_2 be positive numbers and $q > 1$, suppose there exists a Lyapunov function $V : I \cup \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that*

$$c_1 |X|^p \leq V(t, X) \leq c_2 |X|^p \quad \forall (n, X) \in I \cup \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{R} \quad (2.2)$$

and for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$E \Delta V(n, X_n) = E(V(n+1, X_{n+1}) - V(n, X_n)) \leq -\lambda EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \quad (2.3)$$

if

$$EV(n+s, X_{n+s}) < qEV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \quad \text{on } s \in I. \quad (2.4)$$

Then for all $\xi_n, n \in I$, $\|\xi\| = \max_{n \in I} |\xi_n|$,

$$E |X_n|^p \leq \frac{c_2}{c_1} E \|\xi\|^p e^{-\gamma n} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (2.5)$$

where $0 < \gamma = \min\{\log(1+\lambda), \log q/(1+m)\}$.

Proof. Let

$$U(n) = \sup_{s \in I} \{e^{\gamma(n+s)} EV(n+s, X_{n+s})\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \quad (2.6)$$

For any $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, we affirm that

$$\Delta U(n) = U(n+1) - U(n) \leq 0. \quad (2.7)$$

Otherwise, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that

$$e^{\gamma(n+1)} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) > U(n), \quad (2.8)$$

that is,

$$e^{\gamma(n+1)} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) > e^{\gamma(n+s)} EV(n+s, X_{n+s}), \quad s \in I. \quad (2.9)$$

For any $s \in I$, the inequality (2.4) implies

$$EV(n+s, X_{n+s}) < e^{\gamma(n+1)} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) < qEV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \quad (2.10)$$

since $\gamma < \log q/(1+m)$. Thus, by condition (2.3),

$$E\Delta V(n, X_n) = E(V(n+1, X_{n+1}) - V(n, X_n)) \leq -\lambda EV(n+1, X_{n+1}). \quad (2.11)$$

We obtain that

$$EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \leq \frac{1}{1+\lambda} EV(n, X_n). \quad (2.12)$$

Multiplying both sides of above inequality by $e^{\gamma(n+1)}$ and noting that $\gamma \leq \log(1+\lambda)$, we can get

$$e^{\gamma(n+1)} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \leq e^{\gamma(n+1)} \frac{1}{1+\lambda} EV(n, X_n) \leq e^{\gamma n} EV(n, X_n). \quad (2.13)$$

From the definition of $U(n)$, we have

$$e^{\gamma(n+1)} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \leq U(n). \quad (2.14)$$

It is a contradiction with assumption (2.8), therefore, (2.7) holds. Thus, it follows from (2.7) immediately that

$$U(n) \leq U(0), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \quad (2.15)$$

From the definition of $U(n)$ and the condition (2.2), we obtain that the inequality (2.5) holds. \square

3. Application

3.1. A numerical approximation to SDIDEs. We consider the stochastic delay difference equation

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1} &= X_n + h \left[a(n)X_n + h \sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i)X_{n-i} \right] + \sqrt{h}c(n)X_{n-m}\Delta\mu_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \\ X_n &= \xi_n, \quad n \in I, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where $h > 0$ is a nonrandom parameter. For the functions $a(\cdot)$, $b(\cdot)$, and $K(\cdot, \cdot)$, suppose that

$$\begin{aligned} A(m, n, h) &= 2a(n) + a^2(n)h + m |1 + a(n)h| h^2, \\ B(m, n, h) &= c^2(n) + h(mh^2 + |1 + a(n)h|) \sum_{i=1}^m K^2(n, i) \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

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satisfy the conditions (H1) and (H2) as the following:

$$(H1) \quad A(m, n, h) + B(m, n, h) \leq -\delta(m, h) < 0 \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+;$$

$$(H2) \quad -1 < h\mu(m, h) \leq hA(m, n, h).$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} q(m, h) &= \inf_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} \left\{ \frac{B(m, nh) - A(m, n, h)}{2B(m, n, h)} \right\}, \\ \lambda(m, h) &= - \inf_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} \left\{ \frac{A(m, n, h) + B(m, n, h)}{2(1 + hA(m, n, h))} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

From the conditions (H1) and (H2), we know that

$$q(m, h) > 1, \quad \lambda(m, h) > 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Equation (3.1) may also be viewed as an approximation of the stochastic delay integrodifferential equation

$$\begin{aligned} dX(t) &= \left[a(t)X(t) + \int_{t-\tau}^t K(t, t-\theta)X(\theta)d\theta \right] dt + c(t)X(t-\tau)dW(t), \quad t > 0, \\ X(t) &= \xi(t), \quad t \in [-\tau, 0], \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

where $W(t)$ is a standard Brownian motion. Here, setting $h = \tau/m$ and approximating the differential part of (3.5) with the Euler-Maruyama method and the integral part with composite left-side rectangle rule [12], $t_n = nh$, write X_n for an approximate value to $X(nh)$, and use X_{n-m} to approximate the delayed argument $X(t_n - \tau)$. When $n \in I = \{-m, -m+1, \dots, -1, 0\}$, we have $X_n = \xi(t_n)$. Moreover, the increments $\sqrt{h}\Delta\mu_n := W(t_{n+1}) - W(t_n)$ are independent $N(0, h)$ -distributed Gaussian random variables, so $\Delta\mu_n$ are independent $N(0, 1)$ -distributed Gaussian random variables. We assume X_n to be \mathcal{F}_n -measurable at the mesh-points t_n . It is therefore to be hoped for h sufficiently small that solutions of (3.1) have similar asymptotic properties to those of (3.5). A statement of these asymptotic results for stochastic delay differential equations can be found in, for example, [1, 4–11].

Here, we use the above Razumilchin-type Theorem 2.2 to study the moment exponential stability of (3.1).

THEOREM 3.1. *Assume conditions (H1) and (H2) are satisfied, the solution sequence $\{X_n\}$ produced by the difference equation (3.1) satisfies*

$$E|X_n|^2 \leq E\|\xi\|^2 e^{-\gamma(m, h)nh} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (3.6)$$

where $0 < \gamma(m, h) = \min\{\log(1 + h\lambda(m, h))/h, \log q(m, h)/h(1 + m)\}$.

Proof. Define a Lyapunov function $V(n, X) = |X|^2$. Clearly, the condition (2.2) in Theorem 2.2 is satisfied naturally with $c_1 = c_2 = 1$, $p = 2$. We see from (3.1) that

$$\begin{aligned}
X_{n+1}^2 &= (1 + a(n)h)^2 X_n^2 + h^4 \left(\sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i) X_{n-i} \right)^2 + (\sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n)^2 X_{n-m}^2 \\
&\quad + 2(1 + a(n)h)h^2 \sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i) X_{n-i} X_n + 2(1 + a(n)h) \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n X_n X_{n-m} \\
&\quad + 2h^2 \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i) X_{n-i} X_{n-m} \\
&\leq (1 + a(n)h)^2 X_n^2 + mh^4 \sum_{i=1}^m K^2(n, i) X_{n-i}^2 + (\sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n)^2 X_{n-m}^2 \\
&\quad + |1 + a(n)h| h^2 \sum_{i=1}^m (K^2(n, i) X_{n-i}^2 + X_n^2) + 2(1 + a(n)h) \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n X_n X_{n-m} \\
&\quad + 2h^2 \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i) X_{n-i} X_{n-m} \\
&= [(1 + a(n)h)^2 + m|1 + a(n)h|h^2] X_n^2 \\
&\quad + (\sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n)^2 X_{n-m}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m [mh^4 + |1 + a(n)h|h^2] K^2(n, i) X_{n-i}^2 \\
&\quad + 2(1 + a(n)h) \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n X_n X_{n-m} + 2h^2 \sqrt{hc}(n) \Delta \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^m K(n, i) X_{n-i} X_{n-m}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Note that $E(\Delta \mu_n) = 0$, $E[(\Delta \mu_n)^2] = 1$ and X_n, X_{n-k} are \mathcal{F}_n -measurable, Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\Delta \mu_n X_{n-k} X_{n-m}) &= E(X_{n-k} X_{n-m} E(\Delta \mu_n | \mathcal{F}_n)) = 0, \\
E(\Delta \mu_n X_{n-m}^2) &= E(X_{n-m}^2 E(\Delta \mu_n | \mathcal{F}_n)) = 0, \\
E(\Delta \mu_n^2 X_{n-m}^2) &= E(X_{n-m}^2 E(\Delta \mu_n^2 | \mathcal{F}_n)) = E(X_{n-m}^2).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

From (3.7), (3.8) we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) &\leq [(1 + a(n)h)^2 + m|1 + a(n)h|h^2] EV(n, X_n) \\
&\quad + (\sqrt{hc}(n))^2 EV(n-m, X_{n-m}) \\
&\quad + h^2 (mh^2 + |1 + a(n)h|h) \sum_{i=1}^m K^2(n, i) EV(n-i, X_{n-i}).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

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Let $q = q(m, h)$, from assumption (2.4), we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
 EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) &\leq [(1+a(n)h)^2 + m|1+a(n)h|h^2]EV(n, X_n) \\
 &\quad + hq(m, h) \left[c^2(n) + h(mh^2 + |1+a(n)h|) \sum_{i=1}^m K^2(n, i) \right] EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \\
 &= (1+hA(m, n, h))EV(n, X_n) + hq(m, h)B(m, n, h)EV(n+1, X_{n+1}) \\
 &\leq (1+hA(m, n, h))EV(n, X_n) + h \frac{B(m, n, h) - A(m, n, h)}{2} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}),
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

that is,

$$E \triangle V(n, X_n) \leq h \frac{B(m, n, h) - A(m, n, h)}{2(1+hA(m, n, h))} EV(n+1, X_{n+1}). \tag{3.11}$$

By the definition of $\lambda(m, h)$ and (3.4), we get

$$E \triangle V(n, X_n) \leq -h\lambda(m, h)EV(n+1, X_{n+1}). \tag{3.12}$$

Therefore, the inequality (3.6) holds by Theorem 2.2. \square

3.2. Models of macroeconomics. Consider the following nonlinear delay difference equation:

$$x(n+1) = cx(n) + f(x(n) - x(n-m)) + \varepsilon x(n) \triangle \mu_n, \tag{3.13}$$

where $c \in [0, 1)$ and ε are constants, m is a positive integer. $\triangle \mu_n$ are independent $N(0, 1)$ -distributed Gaussian random variables. We assume that $x(n)$ are \mathcal{F}_n -measurable for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and we have $x(n) = \xi_n$ when $n \in I$. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $f(0) = 0$, $f(u) \neq 0$ for $u \neq 0$, and there exists a constant α such that

$$|f(u)| \leq \alpha |u|. \tag{3.14}$$

Such equation arises from some of the earliest mathematical models of the macroeconomic “trade cycle” with the environmental noise.

THEOREM 3.2. *Assume that the conditions (3.14) and*

$$0 \leq c < -2\alpha + \sqrt{2\alpha^2 - \varepsilon^2} - 2\alpha + 1 \tag{3.15}$$

are satisfied. Then there exists positive constants γ such that with initial data $\xi_n, n \in I$,

$$E|X(n)|^2 \leq E\|\xi\|^2 e^{-\gamma n} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \tag{3.16}$$

Proof. Also define a Lyapunov function $V(n, x) = |x|^2$. Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1, let

$$q = \frac{1 - c^2 - 2\alpha c - 2\alpha^2 - \varepsilon^2 + 2\alpha}{2\alpha(2+c)},$$

$$\lambda = \frac{[2(2+c)\alpha - 1](c^2 + 2\alpha^2 + \varepsilon^2 + 3c\alpha) + 1}{2(2+c)\alpha(c^2 + 2\alpha^2 + \varepsilon^2 + 3c\alpha)},$$
(3.17)

the inequality (3.16) with $\gamma = \min\{\log(1+\lambda), \log q/(1+k)\}$ can be completed by Theorem 2.2 easily. \square

4. Examples

4.1. A numerical approximation to autonomous SDIDEs. Consider the autonomous stochastic delay integrodifferential equation as (3.5),

$$dX(t) = \left[aX(t) + b \int_{t-\tau}^t X(\theta) d\theta \right] dt + \sqrt{hc} X(t-\tau) dW(t), \quad t > 0,$$

$$X(t) = \xi(t), \quad t \in [-\tau, 0].$$
(4.1)

Approximating the differential part of (3.5) with the Euler-Maruyama method and the integral part with composite left-side rectangle rule, we get the difference equation as follows:

$$X_{n+1} = X_n + \left(aX_n + bh \sum_{k=1}^m X_{n-k} \right) h + \sqrt{hc} X_{n-m} \Delta \mu_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$
(4.2)

Here, $h = \tau/m$ and

$$A(m, n, h) = 2a + a^2 h + \tau h |1 + ah|,$$

$$B(m, n, h) = c^2 + b^2 \tau (\tau h + |1 + ah|).$$
(4.3)

Since

$$1 + hA(m, n, h) = (1 + ah)^2 + \tau h |1 + ah| > 0,$$
(4.4)

so that the (H2) is satisfied, and if

$$2a + c^2 + b^2 \tau + (a^2 + \tau + b^2 \tau^2 - ab^2 \tau) h - a\tau h^2 < 0,$$
(4.5)

then (H1) also is satisfied.

By letting

$$q(m, h) = \frac{B(m, nh) - A(m, n, h)}{2B(m, n, h)},$$

$$\lambda(m, h) = -\frac{A(m, n, h) + B(m, n, h)}{2(1 + hA(m, n, h))}.$$
(4.6)

From Theorem 3.1 we know that the inequality (3.6) holds.

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From the above analysis and (4.5), we can get the theorem as follows.

THEOREM 4.1. *Assume condition $2a + c^2 + b^2\tau < 0$ is satisfied, then there exists an $h^* > 0$ such that for all $0 < h < h^*$, the solution sequence $\{X_n\}$ produced by (4.2) satisfies*

$$E|X_n|^2 \leq E\|\xi\|^2 e^{-\gamma(m,h)nh} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (4.7)$$

where $0 < \gamma(h) = \min\{\log(1 + h\lambda(h))/h, \log q(h)/(h + \tau)\}$, and

$$h^* = \frac{a^2 + \tau + b^2\tau^2 - ab^2\tau - \sqrt{(a^2 + \tau + b^2\tau^2 - ab^2\tau)^2 + a\tau(2a + c^2 + b^2\tau)}}{2a\tau}. \quad (4.8)$$

COROLLARY 4.2. *Assume condition $2a + c^2 + b^2\tau < 0$ is satisfied, then for any given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists an $h(\epsilon) > 0$ such that for all $0 < h < h(\epsilon)$, the numerical solution sequence $\{X_n\}$ produced by the numerical scheme (4.2) satisfies*

$$E|X_n|^2 \leq E\|\xi\|^2 e^{-(\gamma-\epsilon)nh} \quad \text{on } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \quad (4.9)$$

where $\gamma = \min\{\lambda, \log q/\tau\}$ with $\lambda = -(a + (1/2)(c^2 + b^2\tau))$ and $q = 1/2 - a/(c^2 + b^2\tau)$.

Proof. From Theorem 4.1, the corollary is a consequence of the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\log(1 + h\lambda(h))}{h} &= \lambda + O(h), \\ \frac{\log q(h)}{(h + \tau)} &= \frac{\log q}{\tau} + O(h). \end{aligned} \quad (4.10) \quad \square$$

4.2. An example of macroeconomics models. Consider the difference equation

$$x(n+1) = cx(n) + 0.25 \sin(x(n) - x(n-3)) + 0.25x(n)\Delta\mu_n, \quad (4.11)$$

we can get that if the condition

$$0 \leq c \leq 0.25 \quad (4.12)$$

is satisfied, then the inequality (3.6) holds, with $\gamma = \min\{\log(1 + \lambda), \log q/4\}$. Here

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \frac{21/8 - 2c^2 - c}{2 + c}, \\ q &= \frac{2 + c(c^2 + (3/4)c + 3/16)}{(2 + c)(c^2 + (3/4)c + 3/16)}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

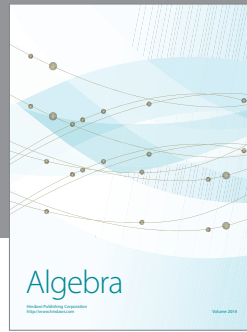
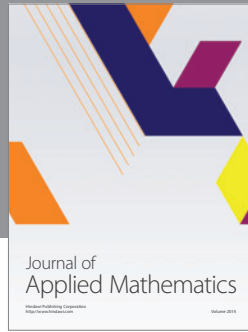
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