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# EXPONENTIAL STABILITY OF A CLASS OF STOCHASTIC DELAY RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORK

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**Abstract:** The moment exponential stability for a stochastic delay recurrent neural networks is discussed by means of a nonnegative semi-martingale convergence theorem and Lyapunov functional method. The new algebraic criteria of the moment exponential stability for a stochastic delay recurrent neural network is derived, and these algebraic criteria are simple and practical. An example is also given for illustration.

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#### 1 Introduction

Stability of stochastic differential delay equations was studied widely and reader is referred, for example, to Arnold [1], Friedman [2], and Mao [3]. However, stability of stochastic neural network was initiated to study by Liao and Mao [4], [5]. Recently, Hu, Liao and Mao [6] discussed stability of stochastic Hopfield neural network. Zhang, Xu and Deng [7] studied the exponential stability of stochastic reaction-diffusion neural network with time-varyings.

Blythe, Mao and Liao [8] studied the almost sure stability of stochastic Hopfield neural networks as following

 $dx(t) = (-Dx(t) + Bg(x_{\tau}(t)))dt + \sigma(x(t), x_{\tau}(t), t)dW(t).$ 

Zhang and Xu [9] were further to discuss almost sure exponential stability of the stochastic recurrent neural networks with time-varying delays as following (1.1).

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This paper discusses moment exponential stability of stochastic recurrent neural networks with time-varying delays as following

$$dx(t) = (-Dx(t) + Af(x(t))) + Bg(x_{\tau}(t)))dt + \sigma(x(t), x_{\tau}(t), t)dW(t),$$
  

$$x(s) = \xi(s) \text{ on } -\overline{\tau} \le s \le 0,$$
(1.1)

where  $D = \operatorname{diag}(d_1, \cdots, d_n), A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}, B = (b_{ij})_{n \times n},$ 

$$f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \cdots, f_n(x))^T,$$
  

$$g(x_{\tau}(x)) = (g_1(x_1(t-\tau_1)), g_2(x_2(t-\tau_2)), \cdots, g_n(x_n(t-\tau_n)))^T,$$
  

$$\sigma(x(t), x_{\tau}(t), t) = (\sigma_{ij}(x(t), x_{\tau}(t), t))_{n \times m}, x_{\tau}(t) = (x_1(t-\tau_1), x_2(t-\tau_2), \cdots, x_n(t-\tau_n))^T,$$

 $W(t) = (W_1(t), \dots, W_m(t))^T$  is an *m*-dimensional Brownian motion which is defined on a complete probability space  $(\Omega, F, P)$  with a natural filtration  $\{F_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  (i.e.,  $F_t = \sigma\{W(s) : 0 \leq s \leq t\}$ ), and  $\xi(s)$  ( $\overline{\tau} \leq s \leq 0$ ) is a continuous  $R^n$ -valued stochastic process such that every  $\xi(s)$  is  $F_0$ -measurable and  $E|\xi(s)|^2 < \infty$ , where *n* denotes the number of neurons in a neural network,  $x_i(t)$  corresponds to the state of the *i*th neuron at time *t*,  $f_j(x_j(t))$ ,  $g_j(x_j(t))$  denote the activation functions of the *j*th neuron at time *t*,  $a_{ij}$  denotes the constant connection weight of the *j*th neuron on the *i*th neuron at time  $t - \tau_j$ ,  $d_i > 0$  represents the rate with which the *i*th neuron will rest its potential to the resting state in isolation when disconnected from the networks and external inputs.  $\sigma_{ij}$  denotes the intensity of the stochastic perturbation.

Denote by  $|\cdot|$  the Euclidean norm. If A is a vector or matrix, its transpose is denoted by  $A^T$ . If A is a matrix, denote by ||A|| its operator norm, i.e.  $||A|| = \sup\{|Ax|: |x|=1\}$ .

Assume f, g and  $\sigma$  be locally Lipschitz continuous and satisfy the linear growth condition as well. So it is known that Eq. (1.1) has a unique global solution on  $t \ge 0$ , which is denoted by  $x(t;\xi)$ . Moreover, assume also that f(0) = 0, g(0) = 0 and  $\sigma(0,0,t) \equiv 0$  for the stability purpose of this paper. So Eq. (1.1) admits an equilibrium solution x(t;0) = 0.

#### 2 Main Results

Let  $C^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$  denote the family of all nonnegative functions V(x, t) on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$ which are continuously twice differentiable in x and once differentiable in t. For each  $V \in C^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$ , define an operator  $\mathcal{L}V$ , associated with the stochastic delay recurrent neural network (1.1), from  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  by

$$\mathcal{L}V = V_t(x,t) + V_x(x,t)[-Dx + Af(x) + Bg(y)] + \frac{1}{2}[\sigma^T(x,y,t)V_{xx}\sigma(x,y,t)],$$

where  $V_t(x,t) = \frac{\partial V(x,t)}{\partial t}, V_x(x,t) = (\frac{\partial V(x,t)}{\partial x_1}, \cdots, \frac{\partial V(x,t)}{\partial x_n})^T, V_{xx} = (\frac{\partial^2 V(x,t)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j})_{n \times n}$ . Let  $C(R^n, R_+)$  denote the family of all continuous functions from  $R^n$  to  $R_+$ , while

Let  $C(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}_+)$  denote the family of all continuous functions from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}_+$ , while  $C([-\overline{\tau}, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$  denote the  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued continuous functions from  $[-\overline{\tau}, 0]$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\overline{\tau} = \max\{\tau_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

In order to prove our results, we need the following semi-martingale convergence theorem established by Liptser and Shiryayev [10].

**Lemma 2.1** Let A(t) and U(t) be two continuous adapted increasing processes on  $t \ge 0$  with A(0) = U(0) = 0 a.s.. Let M(t) be a real-valued continuous local martingale with M(0) = 0 a.s.. Let  $\zeta$  be a nonnegative  $F_0$ -measurable random variable with  $E\zeta < \infty$ . Define  $X(t) = \zeta + A(t) - U(t) + M(t)$  for  $t \ge 0$ . If X(t) is nonnegative, then  $\{\lim_{t\to\infty} A(t) < \infty\} \subset \{\lim_{t\to\infty} X(t) < \infty\} \cap \{\lim_{t\to\infty} U(t) < \infty\}$  a.s., where  $B \subset D$  a.s. means  $P(B \cap D^c) = 0$ . In particular, if  $\lim_{t\to\infty} A(t) < \infty$  a.s., then for almost all  $\omega \in \Omega$ 

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}X(t,\omega)<\infty \ \text{and} \ \lim_{t\to\infty}U(t,\omega)<\infty,$$

that is both X(t) and U(t) converge to finite random variables.

**Lemma 2.2** Let M(t) be a real-valued continuous local martingale with M(0) = 0a.s.. Let  $\zeta$  be a nonnegative  $F_0$ -measurable random variable with  $E\zeta < \infty$ . Define  $X(t) = \zeta + M(t)$  for  $t \ge 0$ . If X(t) is nonnegative, then X(t) is sample bounded a.s.,  $EX(t) \le E\zeta$ , and M(t) is convergence a.s. when  $t \longrightarrow \infty$ .

**Proof** Let  $\tau_n$  be infinitely stopping time consequences such that  $M(t \wedge t_n)$  is martingale. By Fatou theorem and controlled converged theorem, one have that

$$EX(t) = EX(\lim_{n \to \infty} t \wedge t_n) \le \underline{\lim}_{n \to \infty} EX(t \wedge t_n) \le \underline{\lim}_{n \to \infty} E\zeta = E\zeta.$$

The sample bound of X(t) and convergence of M(t) can be derived from Lemma 2.1.

Because each differential equation in stochastic delay neural networks has own characteristic it is desirable to obtain stability criteria that make full use of these characteristics.

**Theorem 2.3** Assume that there exist a number of functions  $V \in C^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$ ,  $\phi_i \in C(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}_+)$ ,  $\psi_i \in C(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}_+)$   $(1 \le i \le n)$  and 3n constants  $\lambda_i > \mu_i > 0$ ,  $\rho_i > 0$   $(1 \le i \le n)$  such that

$$\mathcal{L}V(x,y,t) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-\lambda_i \phi_i(x_i) + \mu_i \psi_i(y_i)), \ (x,y,t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+,$$
(2.1)

$$V(x,t) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho_i \phi_i(x_i), \ (x,t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+,$$
(2.2)

$$\psi_i(x_i) \le \phi_i(x_i), \ x \in R.$$
(2.3)

Then, for every  $\xi \in C([-\overline{\tau}, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \bigcap L^2_{F_0}(\Omega, C)$ , the solution of eq.(1.1) has the property

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \sup \frac{1}{t} \log(EV(x(t;\xi),t)) \le -\gamma \text{ a.s.},$$

where  $\gamma$  is the root of the equation

$$\gamma = \min_{1 \le i \le n} \frac{\lambda_i - \mu_i e^{\gamma \overline{\tau}}}{\rho_i}.$$

**Proof** Fix initial data  $\xi \in C([-\overline{\tau}, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \bigcap L^2_{F_0}(\Omega, C)$  arbitrarily and write simply  $x(t; \xi) = x(t)$ . Define

$$U(x,t) = e^{\gamma t} V(x,t) \text{ for } (x,t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+,$$

which is in  $C^{2,1}(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+)$  obviously. We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}U(x,y,t) &= \gamma e^{\gamma t} V(x,t) + e^{\gamma t} V_t(x,t) + e^{\gamma t} V_x(x,t) [-Dx + Af(x) + Bg(y)] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} e^{\gamma t} [\sigma^T(x,y,t) V_{xx} \sigma(x,y,t)] \\ &= e^{\gamma t} [\gamma V(x,t) + \mathcal{L}V(x,y,t)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using conditions (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$\mathcal{L}U(x,y,t) \le e^{\gamma t} \left[-\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\lambda_i - \rho_i \gamma)\phi_i(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_i \psi_i(y_i)\right].$$

The It $\hat{o}$  formula shows that for any  $t\geq 0$ 

$$e^{\gamma t} V(x,t) = V(x(0),0) + \int_{0}^{t} \mathcal{L}U(x(s), x_{\tau}(s), s) ds + \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} V_{x}(x(s), s) \sigma(x(s), x_{\tau}(s), s) dW(s) \leq V(\xi(0),0) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\lambda_{i} - \rho_{i}\gamma) \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} \phi_{i}(x_{i}(s)) ds + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{i} \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} \psi_{i}(x_{i}(s - \tau_{i})) ds + \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} V_{x}(x(s), s) \sigma(x(s), x_{\tau}(s), s) dW(s).$$
(2.4)

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{t-\tau_i}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds = \int_{-\tau_i}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds - \int_0^t e^{\gamma(s-\tau_i)} \psi_i(x_i(s-\tau_i)) ds \\ &\leq \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds - e^{-\gamma \tau_i} \int_0^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s-\tau_i)) ds \\ &\leq \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds - e^{-\gamma \bar{\tau}} \int_0^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s-\tau_i)) ds. \end{split}$$

This implies

$$\int_0^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s-\tau_i)) ds \le \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds - e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \int_{t-\tau_i}^t e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds.$$
(2.5)

It then follows from (2.4) and (2.5) that

$$e^{\gamma t}V(x,t) \leq V(\xi(0),0) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\lambda_{i} - \gamma \rho_{i} - \mu_{i}e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}}) \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} \phi_{i}(x_{i}(s))ds + e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{i} \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^{0} \psi_{i}(\xi_{i}(s))ds + e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{i} \int_{t-\tau_{i}}^{t} e^{\gamma s} \psi_{i}(x_{i}(s))ds + \int_{0}^{t} e^{\gamma s} V_{x}(x(s),s)\sigma(x(s),x_{\tau}(s),s)dW(s).$$

Furthermore, we have that

$$e^{\gamma t} V(x(t), t) + e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_i \int_{t-\tau_i}^{t} e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(x_i(s)) ds \le X(t),$$
(2.6)

where

$$X(t) = \zeta + \int_0^t e^{\gamma s} V_x(x(s), s) \sigma(x(s), x_\tau(s), s) dW(s),$$
  
$$\zeta = V(\xi(0), 0) + e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^0 e^{\gamma s} \psi_i(\xi_i(s)) ds,$$

which is a nonnegative semi-martingale, and Lemma 2.2 shows  $EX(t) \leq E\zeta$ . It therefore follows from (2.6) that

$$E[e^{\gamma t}V(x,t)] = e^{\gamma t}EV(x,t) \le E\zeta,$$

which implies

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \sup \frac{1}{t} \log(EV(x(t;\xi),t)) \le -\gamma \quad \text{a.s.}$$

as required. The proof is complete.

To obtain our results, we give the following assumption:

- H1: there exist positive constants  $\alpha_i$  such that  $|f(x_i)| \leq \alpha_i |x_i|, i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ .
- H2: there exist positive constants  $\beta_i$  such that  $|g(x_i)| \leq \beta_i |x_i|, i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ .

**Theorem 2.4** Let (H2) hold. Assume there exist symmetric nonnegative-definite matrices  $C_1, C_2, C_3 = \text{diag}(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n)$  and  $C_4$  such that

$$\operatorname{trace}[\sigma^{T}(x, y, t)\sigma(x, y, t)] \leq x^{T}C_{1}x + g^{T}(y)C_{2}g(y) + y^{T}C_{3}y, \qquad (2.7)$$

$$x^T A f(x) + f^T(x) A^T x \le x^T C_4 x \tag{2.8}$$

for all  $(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$ . Assume also that there exists a positive-definite diagonal matrix  $G = \text{diag}(g_1, \cdots, g_n)$  such that the symmetric matrix

$$H := \begin{pmatrix} -2D + C_1 + C_3 + C_4 + \bar{D} & B \\ B^T & -G + C_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is negative-definite, where  $\overline{D} = \text{diag}(g_1\beta_1^2, \cdots, g_n\beta_n^2)$ . Let  $-\lambda = \lambda_{\max}(H)$ , the biggest eigenvalue of H. So  $\lambda > 0$ . Then, for every  $\xi \in C([-\overline{\tau}, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \bigcap L^2_{F_0}(\Omega, C)$ , the moment Lyapunov-exponent of the solution of eq.(1.1) can be estimated as

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \sup \frac{1}{t} \log(E|x(t;\xi)|) \le -\frac{\gamma}{2} \quad \text{a.s.},$$
(2.9)

where  $\gamma > 0$  is the root of the equation

$$\gamma = \min_{1 \le i \le n} \{ (\lambda + \delta_i + g_i \beta_i^2) - (\delta_i + g_i \beta_i^2 - \lambda \beta_i^2) e^{\gamma \bar{\tau}} \}.$$
(2.10)

**Proof** Let  $V(x,t) = |x|^2$ . Then the operator  $\mathcal{L}V$  has the form

$$\mathcal{L}V = 2x^T [-2D + Af(x) + Bg(y)] + \operatorname{trace}[\sigma^T(x, y, t)\sigma(x, y, t)].$$

Compute, by the hypotheses,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}V(x,y,t) &\leq -2x^{T}Dx + x^{T}C_{4}x + x^{T}Bg(x) + g^{T}(x)B^{T}x + x^{T}C_{1}x + g^{T}(y)C_{2}g(y) + y^{T}C_{3}y \\ &= (x^{T} \ g^{T}(y))H\begin{pmatrix} x \\ f(x) \end{pmatrix} - x^{T}(C_{3} + \bar{D})x + y^{T}C_{3}y + g^{T}(y)Gg(y) \\ &\leq -\lambda(|x|^{2} + |g(y)|^{2}) - x^{T}(C_{3} + \bar{D})x + y^{T}C_{3}y + g^{T}(y)Gg(y) \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^{n}(\lambda + \delta_{i} + g_{i}\beta_{i}^{2})x_{i}^{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n}(\delta_{i}y_{i}^{2} + (g_{i} - \lambda)g_{i}^{2}(y)). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see from the construction of H that  $\lambda \leq g_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Using H2 one can then derive that

$$\mathcal{L}V(x, y, t) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-(\lambda + \delta_i + g_i \beta_i^2) x_i^2 + (\delta_i y_i^2 + (g_i - \lambda) \beta_i^2 y_i^2)).$$

In order to apply Theorem 2.3, define  $\phi_i, \ \psi_i \in C(R; R_+)$  by

$$\phi_i(x_i) = x_i^2, \ \psi_i(y_i) = y_i^2, \ \lambda_i = \lambda + \delta_i + g_i \beta_i^2, \ \mu_i = \delta_i + (g_i - \lambda) \beta_i^2.$$

It is obvious that

$$V(x,t) = |x|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(y_i), \ \lambda_i > \mu_i.$$

Moreover,

$$\mathcal{L}V(x, y, t) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-\lambda_i \phi_i(x_i) + \mu_i \psi_i(y_i)).$$

By Theorem 2.3, for every  $\xi \in C([-\overline{\tau}, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \bigcap L^2_{F_0}(\Omega, \mathbb{C})$ , the solution of eq.(1.1) has the property

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \sup \frac{1}{t} \log(E|x(t;\xi)|^2) \le -\gamma \quad \text{a.s.}$$

and the required assertion (2.9) follows. The proof is completed.

In the following, we shall make use of the characteristics of recurrent networks to obtain further results.

**Corollary 2.5** Let (2.8) and (H2) hold. Assume that there exist nonnegative numbers  $\theta_i$  and  $\delta_i$  such that

$$\operatorname{trace}[\sigma^{T}(x, y, t)\sigma(x, y, t)] \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} [\theta_{i}x_{i}^{2} + \delta_{i}y_{i}^{2}]$$
(2.11)

for all  $(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$ . Assume also that there exists a positive-definite diagonal matrix  $G = \text{diag}(g_1, \dots, g_n)$  such that the symmetric matrix

$$\bar{H} := \left( \begin{array}{cc} -2D + C_4 + \bar{D} & B \\ B^T & -G \end{array} \right)$$

is negative-definite, where  $\overline{D} = \text{diag}(g_1\beta_1, \cdots, g_1\beta_1)$ . Let  $-\overline{\lambda} = \lambda_{max}(\overline{H})$ , the biggest eigenvalue of  $\overline{H}$ . So  $\overline{\lambda} > 0$ . If

$$\theta_i + \delta_i < \bar{\lambda}, \ 1 \le i \le n, \tag{2.12}$$

then the stochastic delay recurrent neural network (1.1) is moment exponentially stable. Moreover, for every  $\xi \in C([-\overline{\tau}, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \bigcap L^2_{F_0}(\Omega, C)$ , the moment Lyapunov-exponent of the solution of eq.(1.1) can be estimated as

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \sup \frac{1}{t} \log(E|x(t;\xi)|) \le -\frac{\gamma}{2} \quad \text{a.s.},$$
(2.13)

where  $\gamma > 0$  is the root of the equation (2.10), as long as the  $\lambda$  in (2.10) is determined by

$$\lambda = \min_{1 \le i \le n} [\bar{\lambda} - (\theta_i + \delta_i)].$$
(2.14)

**Proof** Set  $C_1 = \text{diag}(\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n), C_2 = 0, C_3 = \text{diag}(\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_n)$ . Then (12) can be written as

trace[
$$\sigma^T(x, y, t)\sigma(x, y, t)$$
]  $\leq x^T C_1 x + g^T(y)C_2 g(y) + y^T C_3 y$ .

In view of Theorem 2.4, it is sufficient to verify that the matrix H defined there is negativedefinite. To do so, for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , compute

$$\begin{aligned} (x^T \ y^T)H\begin{pmatrix} x\\ y \end{pmatrix} &= (x^T \ y^T)\begin{pmatrix} -2D + C_1 + C_3 + C_4 + \bar{D} & B\\ B^T & -G + C_2 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} x\\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (x^T \ y^T)\bar{H}\begin{pmatrix} x\\ y \end{pmatrix} + (x^T \ y^T)\begin{pmatrix} C_1 + C_3 & 0\\ 0 & C_2 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} x\\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &\leq -\bar{\lambda}(|x|^2 + |y|^2) + \sum_{i=1}^n (\theta_i + \delta_i)x_i^2 \\ &\leq -\lambda(|x|^2 + |y|^2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda$  is defined by (2.14) and is positive due to (2.12). The proof is therefore completed.

**Lemma 2.6** (see [9]) Let P be a invertible matrix then

$$2x^{T}Ay \le x^{T}PP^{T}x + y^{T}(P^{-1}A)^{T}(P^{-1}A)y.$$
(2.15)

**Corollary 2.7** Let H1, H2 and (2.11) hold. Assume there exist a invertible matrix P and positive-definite diagonal matrix  $G = \text{diag}(g_1, \dots, g_n)$  such that

$$H_1 := \begin{pmatrix} -2D + PP^T + (P^{-1}AL)^T (P^{-1}AL) + \bar{D} & B \\ B^T & -G \end{pmatrix}$$

is negative-definite, where  $\overline{D} = \text{diag}(g_1\beta_1^2, \cdots, g_1\beta_n^2), L = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n)$ . Let  $-\overline{\mu} = \lambda_{\max}(H_1)$ , the biggest eigenvalue of  $H_1$ , so  $\overline{\mu} > 0$ . If

$$\theta_i + \delta_i < \bar{\mu} \quad (1 \le i \le n), \tag{2.16}$$

then the stochastic delay recurrent neural networks (1.1) is moment exponentially stable. Moreover, the moment Lyapunov exponent can be estimated by (2.13), as long as the  $\lambda$  in (2.10) is determined by

$$\lambda = \min_{1 \le i \le n} [\bar{\mu} - (\theta_i + \delta_i)]. \tag{2.17}$$

**Proof** Choose  $C_4 = PP^T + (P^{-1}AL)^T (P^{-1}AL)$ . The conclusion of this corollary follows from Corollary 2.5. The proof is completed.

**Corollary 2.8** Let H1, H2 and (2.11) hold. Assume there exist two positive-definite diagonal matrixes  $P = \text{diag}(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$  and  $G = \text{diag}(g_1, \dots, g_n)$  such that

$$H_2 := \begin{pmatrix} -2D + PP^T + (AL)^T P^{-1} (AL) + \bar{D} & B \\ B^T & -G \end{pmatrix}$$

is negative-definite, where  $\overline{D} = \text{diag}(g_1\beta_1^2, \cdots, g_1\beta_n^2), L = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n)$ . Let  $-\overline{\nu} = \lambda_{\max}(H_2)$ , the biggest eigenvalue of  $H_2$ , so  $\overline{\nu} > 0$ . If

$$\theta_i + \delta_i < \bar{\nu} \quad (1 \le i \le n), \tag{2.18}$$

then the stochastic delay recurrent neural networks (1.1) is moment exponentially stable. Moreover, the moment Lyapunov exponent can be estimated by (2.13), as long as the  $\lambda$  in (2.10) is determined by

$$\lambda = \min_{1 \le i \le n} [\bar{\nu} - (\theta_i + \delta_i)]. \tag{2.19}$$

**Proof** Choose  $P = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\varepsilon_1}, \cdots, \sqrt{\varepsilon_n})$ . The conclusion of this corollary follows from Corollary 2.7. The proof is completed.

### 3 Example

**Example 1** Consider a two-dimensional stochastic delay recurrent neural network

$$dx(t) = [-Dx(t) + Af(x(t)) + Bg(x_{\tau}(t))]dt + B_1g(x_{\tau}(t))dW(t),$$
(3.1)

where W(t) is a real-valued scalar Brownian motion,  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  both positive numbers,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & -0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma(x, y, t) = (0.2y_2, 0.5y_1)^T,$$

while

$$f_i(x_i) = (\alpha_i x_i \wedge 1) \vee (-1)$$
 with  $\alpha_1 = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 0.3$ ,  $g_i(y_i) = \frac{1 - e^{-y_i}}{1 + e^{-y_i}}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

It is easily shown that H1 is satisfied with  $\alpha_1 = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 0.3$  and H2 is satisfied with  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1$ , respectively. To apply Theorem 2.4, note in this example such that

$$C_1 = C_2 = 0, \ C_3 = \text{diag}(0.25, 0.04), \ L = \text{diag}(0.4, 0.3), \ \sigma^T(x, y, t)\sigma(x, y, t) = 0.25y_1^2 + 0.04y_2^2.$$

Choosing P = diag(0.2, 0.2) in Corollary 2.6, then  $P^{-1} = \text{diag}(5, 5)$ , we have

$$x^{T}Af(x) + f^{T}(x)Ax \leq x^{T}(PP^{T} + (P^{-1}AL)^{T}(P^{-1}AL))x,$$
  

$$C_{4} = PP^{T} + (P^{-1}AL)^{T}(P^{-1}AL) = \text{diag}(0.12, 0.085), \ \bar{D} = G,$$
  

$$-2D + C_{1} + C_{3} + C_{4} = \text{diag}(-7.63, -3.875).$$

Now, choose D = diag(3.815, 1.9375). The matrix H defined in Theorem 2.4 becomes

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -3.815 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & -1.9375 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3.815 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & -1.9375 \end{pmatrix}$$

Compute  $\lambda_{\max}(H) = -0.1512$  which means that H is negative-definite. By Theorem 2.4, the stochastic delay recurrent neural network (3.1) is moment exponentially stable. To estimate the moment Lyapunov-exponent, compute, by (2.10),  $\gamma$  satisfied

$$\gamma = 4.2162 - 3.9138e^{\bar{\tau}\gamma}.$$
(3.2)

If both  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are 0.1 then  $\bar{\tau} = 0.1$  and (3.1) has a unique root  $\gamma = 0.2166$ . Therefore, Theorem 2.4 shows that the moment Lyapunov-exponent of the solution of network (3.1) should not be greater than -0.1033.

If A = 0 in (3.1), the model (3.1) changes into the Hopfield neural network. Choosing G = diag(3.875, 1.98), we have

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -3.875 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & -1.98 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3.875 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & -1.98 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Compute  $\lambda_{\max}(H) = -0.1957$  which means that H is negative-definite. By Theorem 2.4, the the stochastic delay Hopfield neural network (3.1) is moment exponentially stable. To estimate the moment Lyapunov exponent, compute, by (2.10),  $\gamma$  satisfied

$$\gamma = 4.3207 - 3.9293 e^{\bar{\tau}\gamma}.$$
(3.3)

If both  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are 0.1 then  $\bar{\tau} = 0.1$  and (3.3) has a unique root  $\gamma = 0.2798$ . Therefore, Theorem 2.4 shows that the moment Lyapunov-exponent of the solution of stochastic delay Hopfield neural network (3.1) should not be greater than -0.1399.

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# 一类随机时滞递归神经网络的指数稳定性

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摘要: 本文研究了一类随机时滞递归神经网络的指数稳定性问题.利用非负鞅收敛定理 和Lyapunov泛函的方法,获得了这类神经网络矩指数稳定性的新的代数准则,所给代数准则简单易用. 一个具体实例用来说明稳定性判别准则的应用.

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