

Dynamics of a Stochastic Delayed Predator-Prey System with Beddington-DeAngelis Functional Response

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Abstract

This paper is concerned with a stochastic predator-prey system with Beddington-DeAngelis functional response and time delay. Firstly, we show that this system has a unique positive solution as this is essential in any population dynamics model. Secondly, the validity of the stochastic system is guaranteed by stochastic ultimate boundedness of the analyzed solution. Finally, by constructing suitable Lyapunov functions, the asymptotic moment estimation of the solution was given. These properties of the solution can provide theoretical support for biological resource management.

Keywords

Beddington-DeAngelis Response, Stochastic Perturbation, Stochastic Ultimate Boundedness, Asymptotic Moment Estimation

1. Introduction

The dynamical relationship between prey and predator has long been and will continue to be a dominant theme in ecology due to its universal importance and existence. One important component of the predator-prey is functional response, *i.e.* the rate of prey consumption by an average predator. The functional response can be classified into two types: predator-dependent and prey-dependent. The classical Holling types I-III [1] [2] are strictly prey-dependent functional response; The main predator-dependent functional response has Crowley-Martin type [3], Hassell-Varley type [4], as well as Beddington-DeAngelis type by Beddington [5] and DeAngelis *et al.* [6]. There is much significant evidence to suggest that Beddington-DeAngelis functional response occurs quite frequently in natural systems and laboratory (see e.g. [7] [8]). The classical predator-prey model with

Beddington-DeAngelis functional response can be expressed as follows

$$\begin{cases} dx(t) = x(t) \left[a_1 - b_1 x(t) - \frac{c_1 y}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] dt, \\ dy(t) = y(t) \left[a_2 - b_2 y(t) + \frac{c_2 x(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] dt. \end{cases} \tag{1.1}$$

where $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ represent the size of the prey and predator populations at time t , respectively. The parameter a_1 denotes the intrinsic growth rate of the prey population and a_2 denotes the death rate of the predator population. The parameter b_1 and b_2 are the density-dependent coefficients of the prey and predator populations, respectively. The parameter c_1 and c_2 represent the capturing rate of the predator and the rate of conversion of nutrients into the reproduction for the predator, respectively.

However, the model is deterministic, and does not incorporate the effect of environmental noise, which is always present. In the real world, population models are always affected by the environmental noise, which is an important component in an ecosystem [9] [10]. Thus, it is interesting to study how the environmental noise affects the population models. To fit the reality better, many authors have introduced white noise into the population dynamics to reveal the effects of the white noise [11] [12]. Inspired by the above facts, in this paper, we assume that fluctuations in the environment mainly affect the intrinsic growth rate a_1 and the death rate a_2 , that is

$$a_1 \rightarrow a_1 + \alpha_1 \dot{W}_1(t), \quad a_2 \rightarrow a_2 + \alpha_2 \dot{W}_2(t).$$

Then we obtain the following stochastic system

$$\begin{cases} dx(t) = x(t) \left[a_1 - b_1 x(t) - \frac{c_1 y}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] dt + \alpha_1 x(t) dW_1(t), \\ dy(t) = y(t) \left[a_2 - b_2 y(t) + \frac{c_2 x(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] dt + \alpha_2 y(t) dW_2(t). \end{cases} \tag{1.2}$$

On the other hand, more realistic and interesting models of population interactions should take the effects of time delay into account [13] [14] [15] [16]. In general, delay differential equations can exhibit much more complicated dynamics than differential equations without delay. Liu [17] has investigated global asymptotic stability of the positive equilibrium about stochastic predator-prey system with Beddingtons-DeAngelis and time delay. However, so far as we know a very little amount of work has been done with the stochastic predator-prey system with Beddingtons-DeAngelis and time delay. Therefore it is interesting and important to study the following stochastic delayed predator-prey model with Beddington-DeAngelis functional response.

$$\begin{cases} dx(t) = x(t) \left[a_1 - b_1 x(t - \tau_1) - \frac{c_1 y}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] dt + \alpha_1(t) dW_1(t), \\ dy(t) = y(t) \left[a_2 - b_2 y(t - \tau_2) + \frac{c_2 x(t - \tau_3)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} \right] dt + \alpha_2 y(t) dW_2(t). \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

with the initial conditions

$$x_0(\theta) = \phi_1(\theta) > 0, \quad y_0(\theta) = \phi_2(\theta) > 0, \quad \theta \in [-\tau, 0], \quad \tau = \max\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3\}.$$

where $\tau > 0$ denotes the delay;

$$\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2) \in C([-\tau, 0], R_+^2), \quad R_+^2 = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0\},$$

$$\|\phi\| = \max\{|\phi(\theta)| : \theta \in [-\tau, 0]\}.$$

and $|\phi|$ is any norm in R_+^2 . As usual, we use the notation $x_t(\theta) = x(t + \theta)$ for $\theta \in [-\tau, 0]$.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we show that system (1.3) has a global positive solution. In Section 3, stochastic ultimate boundedness is studied. In Section 4, we investigate the asymptotic moment estimation. In Section 5, we present numerical simulations to illustrate our mathematical findings. We close the paper with conclusions and discussions in Section 6.

2. Global Positive Solutions

Throughout this paper, unless otherwise specified, let $(\Omega, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}, \mathcal{P})$ be a complete probability space with a filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ satisfying the usual conditions (i.e. it is right continuous and \mathcal{F}_0 contains all \mathcal{P} -null sets). Moreover, let $W_i(t), (i = 1, 2)$ be standard Brownian motions defined on this probability space. Also let $R_+^n = \{x \in R^n : x_i > 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

In order for a stochastic differential equation to have a global solution for any given initial condition, it is generally necessary to data the coefficients of the equation are generally required to satisfy the liner growth condition and local Lipschitz condition (see e.g. [18]). However, the coefficients of (1.3) neither obey the linear growth condition nor local Lipschitz condition. The existence of local positive solutions is given by variable substitution and Itô's formula.

Lemma 2.1. For any initial value $\{(x(t), y(t)) : -\tau \leq t \leq 0\} \in C([-\tau, 0]; R_+^2)$, there is a unique positive local solution $(x(t), y(t)), t \in [-\tau, \tau_e)$ of system (1.3), where $\tau = \max\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3\}$ and τ_e is the explosion time.

Proof. Consider the following system

$$\begin{cases} df(t) = \left[a_1 - b_1 e^{f(t-\tau_1)} - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_1^2 e^{2f(t)} - \frac{c_1 e^{g(t)}}{1 + m_1 e^{f(t)} + m_2 e^{g(t)}} \right] dt + \alpha_1 dW_1(t), \\ dg(t) = \left[a_2 - b_2 e^{g(t-\tau_2)} - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_2^2 e^{2g(t)} + \frac{c_2 e^{f(t-\tau_3)}}{1 + m_1 e^{f(t-\tau_3)} + m_2 e^{g(t-\tau_3)}} \right] dt + \alpha_2 dW_2(t). \end{cases} \quad (2.1)$$

with initial value $f(0) = \log x_0, g(0) = \log y_0$. It is clear that the coefficient of system (2.1) satisfy local Lipschitz condition, then there is an unique local solution $(f(t), g(t)), t \in [0, \tau_e)$ of system (2.1). Therefore, by Itô's formula, it is easy to find that $(x(t) = e^{f(t)}, y(t) = e^{g(t)})$ is the unique positive local solution of the system (1.3) with the initial value $x_0 > 0, y_0 > 0$.

Next, give the existence of the positive solution.

Theorem 2.1. For any given initial value

$$\{(x(t), y(t)) : -\tau \leq t \leq 0\} \in C([- \tau, 0]; R_+^2),$$

there is a unique solution $(x(t), y(t))$ of system (1.3) on $t \geq 0$, and the solution will remain in R_+^2 with probability 1.

Proof. Since, Lemma 2.1 shows that there is a positive local solution $(x(t), y(t)), t \in [0, \tau_e)$ of system (1.3), then to show this solution is global, we only need to show that $\tau_e = \infty, a.s.$, Let $m_0 \geq 0$ be sufficiently large so that both x_0 and y_0 lie within the interval $[1/u_0, u_0]$. For each integer $u > u_0$, define the stopping time

$$\tau_u = \inf \{t \in [0, \tau_e) : x(t) \notin (1/u, u), \text{ or } y(t) \notin (1/u, u)\}.$$

where throughout this paper, we set $\inf \Phi = \infty$ (as usual Φ denotes the empty set). Clearly, τ_u is increasing as $u \rightarrow \infty$. Set $\tau_\infty = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \tau_u$, Whence $\tau_\infty < \tau_e, a.s.$. If we can show that $\tau_\infty = \infty, a.s.$, Then $\tau_e = \infty$ and $(x(t), y(t)) \in R_+^2, a.s.$. For if this statement is false, then there are a pair of constants $T > 0$ and $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$, such that

$$P\{\tau_u \leq T\} > \varepsilon.$$

Hence there is an integer $U_1 \geq U_0$ such that

$$P\{\tau_u \leq T\} \geq \varepsilon, u \geq U_1. \tag{2.2}$$

Define a C^2 -function $V : R_+^2 \rightarrow \bar{R}_+$ by

$$V_1(x(t), y(t)) = (\sqrt{x} - 1 - 0.5 \log x) + (\sqrt{y} - 1 - 0.5 \log y).$$

$$V_2(x(t), y(t)) = V_1(x(t), y(t)) + \int_{t-\tau_1}^t |x(s)|^2 ds + \int_{t-\tau_2}^t |y(s)|^2 ds.$$

The non-negativity of $V_1(x(t), y(t))$ can be seen from

$$\sqrt{u} - 1 - 0.5 \log u \geq 0, \forall u > 0.$$

Using Itô's formula, we get

$$\begin{aligned} dV_2 &= d \left[V_1(x(t), y(t)) + \int_{t-\tau_1}^t |x(s)|^2 ds + \int_{t-\tau_2}^t |y(s)|^2 ds \right] \\ &= 0.5 \left(x^{-0.5}(t) - x^{-1}(t) \right) x(t) \left[\left(a_1 - b_1 x(t - \tau_1) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{c_1 y(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right) dt + \alpha_1 dW_1(t) \right] \\ &\quad + 0.5 \alpha_1^2 x^2(t) \left(-0.25 x^{-1.5}(t) + 0.5 x^{-2}(t) \right) dt \\ &\quad + 0.5 \left(y^{-0.5}(t) - y^{-1}(t) \right) y(t) \left[\left(a_2 - b_2 y(t - \tau_1) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{c_2 x(t - \tau_3)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} \right) dt + \alpha_2 dW_2(t) \right] \\ &\quad + 0.5 \alpha_2^2 y^2(t) \left(-0.25 y^{-1.5}(t) + 0.5 y^{-2}(t) \right) dt \\ &\quad + \left[|x(t)|^2 - |x(t - \tau_1)|^2 + |y(t)|^2 - |y(t - \tau_2)|^2 \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 0.5(x^{0.5}(t)-1) \left[\left(a_1 - b_1x(t-\tau_1) - \frac{c_1y(t)}{1+m_1x(t)+m_2y(t)} \right) dt + \alpha_1 dW_1(t) \right] \\
 &\quad + 0.5\alpha_1^2(-0.25x^{0.5}(t)+0.5)dt + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t)-1) \left[\left(a_2 - b_2y(t-\tau_1) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{c_2x(t-\tau_3)}{1+m_1x(t-\tau_3)+m_2y(t-\tau_3)} \right) dt + \alpha_2 dW_2(t) \right] \\
 &\quad + 0.5\alpha_2^2(-0.25y^{0.5}(t)+0.5)dt \\
 &\quad + \left[|x(t)|^2 - |x(t-\tau_1)|^2 + |y(t)|^2 - |y(t-\tau_2)|^2 \right] dt \\
 &= \left\{ |x(t)|^2 - |x(t-\tau_1)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_1x^{0.5}(t) - b_1x(t-\tau_1)x^{0.5}(t) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{c_1y(t)x^{0.5}(t)}{1+m_1x(t)+m_2y(t)} - a_1 + \frac{c_1y(t)}{1+m_1x(t)+m_2y(t)} - 0.25\alpha_1^2x^{0.5}(t) + 0.5\alpha_1^2 \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 0.5b_1x(t-\tau_1) \right\} dt + \left\{ |y(t)|^2 - |y(t-\tau_2)|^2 \right. \\
 &\quad + 0.5 \left[a_2y^{0.5}(t) - b_2y(t-\tau_2)y^{0.5}(t) + \frac{c_2x(t-\tau_3)y^{0.5}(t)}{1+m_1x(t-\tau_3)+m_2y(t-\tau_3)} - a_2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{c_2x(t-\tau_3)y^{0.5}(t)}{1+m_1x(t-\tau_3)+m_2y(t-\tau_3)} - 0.25\alpha_2^2y^{0.5}(t) + 0.5\alpha_2^2 \right] + 0.5b_2y(t-\tau_2) \left\} dt \\
 &\quad + 0.5(x^{0.5}(t)-1)dW_1(t) + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t)-1)dW_2(t) \\
 &\leq \left\{ |x(t)|^2 - |x(t-\tau_1)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_1x^{0.5}(t) + \frac{c_1y(t)}{1+m_1x(t)+m_2y(t)} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - 0.25\alpha_1^2x^{0.5}(t) + 0.5\alpha_1^2 \right] + (0.25b_1)^2 + |x(t-\tau_1)|^2 \right\} dt \\
 &\quad + \left\{ |y(t)|^2 - |y(t-\tau_2)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_2y^{0.5}(t) + \frac{c_2x(t-\tau_3)y^{0.5}(t)}{1+m_1x(t-\tau_3)+m_2y(t-\tau_3)} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - 0.25\alpha_2^2y^{0.5}(t) + 0.5\alpha_2^2 \right] + (0.25b_2)^2 + |y(t-\tau_2)|^2 \right\} dt \\
 &\quad + 0.5(x^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_1dW_1(t) + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_2dW_2(t) \\
 &\leq \left\{ |x(t)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_1x^{0.5}(t) + c_1/m_2 + 0.5\alpha_1^2 + 0.125b_1^2 - 0.25\alpha_1^2x^{0.5}(t) \right] \right\} dt \\
 &\quad + \left\{ |y(t)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_2y^{0.5}(t) + c_2y^{0.5}(t)/m_1 + 0.5\alpha_2^2 + 0.125b_2^2 - 0.25\alpha_2^2y^{0.5}(t) \right] \right\} dt \quad (2.3) \\
 &\quad + 0.5(x^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_1dW_1(t) + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_2dW_2(t) \\
 &= M(x(t), y(t))dt + 0.5(x^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_1dW_1(t) + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t)-1)\alpha_2dW_2(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 &M(x(t), y(t)) \\
 &= \left\{ |x(t)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_1x^{0.5}(t) + c_1/m_2 + 0.5\alpha_1^2 + 0.125b_1^2 - 0.25\alpha_1^2x^{0.5}(t) \right] \right\} \\
 &\quad + \left\{ |y(t)|^2 + 0.5 \left[a_2y^{0.5}(t) + c_2y^{0.5}(t)/m_1 + 0.5\alpha_2^2 + 0.125b_2^2 - 0.25\alpha_2^2y^{0.5}(t) \right] \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$M(x(t), y(t)) \leq M^*,$$

Because next inequality exists, we can get (2.3)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}b_1x(t-\tau_1) &\leq \left(\frac{1}{4}b_1\right)^2 + |x(t-\tau_1)|^2, \\ \frac{1}{2}b_2y(t-\tau_2) &\leq \left(\frac{1}{4}b_2\right)^2 + |y(t-\tau_2)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

To sum up, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} &dV_2(x(t), y(t)) \\ &= d\left[V_1(x(t), y(t)) + \int_{t-\tau_1}^t |x(s)|^2 ds + \int_{t-\tau_2}^t |y(s)|^2 ds\right] \\ &\leq M(x(t), y(t)) + 0.5(x^{0.5}(t) - 1)\alpha_1 dW_1(t) + 0.5(y^{0.5}(t) - 1)\alpha_2 dW_2(t). \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Integrating both sides of the above inequality from 0 to $\tau_u \wedge T$ and then taking the expectations leads to

$$E\left\{\int_0^{\tau_u \wedge T} d\left[V_1(x(t), y(t)) + \int_{t-\tau_1}^t |x(s)|^2 ds + \int_{t-\tau_2}^t |y(s)|^2 ds\right]\right\} \leq M^* E(\tau_u \wedge T),$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} &E\left[\int_{\tau_u \wedge T - \tau_1}^{\tau_u \wedge T} |x(s)|^2 ds + \int_{\tau_u \wedge T - \tau_2}^{\tau_u \wedge T} |y(s)|^2 ds\right] + E[x(\tau_u \wedge T), y(\tau_u \wedge T)] \\ &\leq E\int_{-\tau_1}^0 |x(s)|^2 ds + E\int_{-\tau_2}^0 |y(s)|^2 ds + V_1(x(0), y(0)) + M^* E(\tau_u \wedge T), \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} &E[x(\tau_u \wedge T), y(\tau_u \wedge T)] \\ &\leq E\int_{-\tau_1}^0 |x(s)|^2 ds + E\int_{-\tau_2}^0 |y(s)|^2 ds + V_1(x(0), y(0)) + M^* T < +\infty. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

Set $\Omega_u = \{\tau_u \leq T\}$ for $u \geq U_1$, then by (2.2), we know $P(\Omega_u) \geq \varepsilon$. Note that for every $\omega \in \Omega_u$, there is at least one of $x(\tau_u, \omega), y(\tau_u, \omega)$ equal either u or $1/u$, then $V_1(x(\tau_u), y(\tau_u))$ is no less than $\min\left\{(u-1-\log u), \left(\frac{1}{u}-1+\log u\right)\right\}$.

It then follows from (2.2) and (2.5) that

$$\begin{aligned} &E\int_{-\tau_1}^0 |x(s)|^2 ds + E\int_{-\tau_2}^0 |y(s)|^2 ds + V_1(x(0), y(0)) + M^* E(\tau_u \wedge T) \\ &\geq E\left[1_{\Omega_u(\omega)}(x(\tau_u, \omega), y(\tau_u, \omega))\right] \geq \varepsilon \min\left\{(u-1-\log u), \left(\frac{1}{u}-1+\log u\right)\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

where $1_{\Omega_u(\omega)}$ is the indicator function of Ω_u . Letting $u \rightarrow \infty$ leads to the contradiction that

$$+\infty > E\int_{-\tau_1}^0 |x(s)|^2 ds + E\int_{-\tau_2}^0 |y(s)|^2 ds + V_1(x(0), y(0)) + M^* E(\tau_u \wedge T) = +\infty.$$

So we must have $\tau_\infty = \infty, a.s.$

3. Stochastic Ultimate Boundedness

Define 3.1. The solution of system (1.3) is random and ultimately bounded, if

there exists an any positive constant $H = H(\varepsilon)$ so that for any initial value $\{(x(t), y(t)) : -\tau \leq t \leq 0\} \in C([- \tau, 0]; R_+^2)$, it satisfies

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} P\{|x(t), y(t)| > H\} < \varepsilon.$$

Lemma 3.1. For any initial value $\{(x(t), y(t)) : -\tau \leq t \leq 0\} \in C([- \tau, 0]; R_+^2)$, $(x(t), y(t))$ is a solution of the system (1.3), there exists positive constants $H(\rho), 0 < \rho < 1$ satisfies

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E\{|(x(t), y(t))|^\rho\} = H(\rho).$$

Proof. Define $V_3(x) = x^\rho(t) + y^\rho(t)$, If $(x(t), y(t)) \in R_+^2$, we have

$$dV_3(x(t), y(t)) = LV(x(t), y(t))dt + \rho\alpha_1 x^\rho(t)dW_1(t) + \rho\alpha_2 y^\rho(t)dW_2(t). \tag{3.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & LV_3(x(t), y(t)) \\ &= \rho x^\rho \left[a_1 - b_1 x(t - \tau_1) - \frac{c_1 y(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] + \frac{\rho(\rho - 1)}{2} \alpha_1^2 x^\rho(t) \\ &+ \rho y^\rho \left[a_2 - b_2 y(t - \tau_2) + \frac{c_2 y(t - \tau_3)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} \right] + \frac{\rho(\rho - 1)}{2} \alpha_2^2 y^\rho(t) \\ &\leq a_1 \rho x^\rho(t) - \frac{\rho(1 - \rho)\alpha_1^2}{2} x^\rho(t) + a_2 \rho y^\rho(t) \\ &+ \frac{c_2 \rho x(t - \tau_3) y^\rho(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} - \frac{\rho(1 - \rho)\alpha_2^2}{2} y^\rho(t). \end{aligned}$$

Because of $0 < \rho < 1, \rho(1 - \rho) > 0$, so

$$\begin{aligned} & LV_3(x(t), y(t)) \\ &\leq a_1 \rho x^\rho(t) - \frac{\rho(1 - \rho)\alpha_1^2}{2} x^\rho(t) + x^\rho(t) + a_2 \rho y^\rho(t) - \frac{\rho(1 - \rho)\alpha_2^2}{2} y^\rho(t) \\ &+ \frac{c_2 \rho x(t - \tau_3) y^\rho(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} + y^\rho(t) - V_3(x(t), y(t)) \\ &\leq H - V_3(x(t), y(t)). \end{aligned}$$

where H is a positive number, substitute it into Equation (3.2) to get

$$\begin{aligned} & dV_3(x(t), y(t)) \\ &\leq [H - V_3(x(t), y(t))]dt + \rho\alpha_1 x^\rho(t)dW_1(t) + \rho\alpha_2 y^\rho(t)dW_2(t). \end{aligned}$$

Applying Itô's formula again, get

$$\begin{aligned} & d[e^t V_3(x(t), y(t))] \\ &= e^t [V_3(x(t), y(t)) + dV_3(x(t), y(t))] \\ &\leq e^t H dt + \rho\alpha_1 e^t x^\rho(t)dW_1(t) + \rho\alpha_2 e^t y^\rho(t)dW_2(t). \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Taking the expectation of both sides of above inequality (3.2)

$$e^t E V_3(x(t), y(t)) \leq V_3(x(0), y(0)) + H(e^t - 1).$$

Namely

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E V_3(x(t), y(t)) \leq H.$$

And because

$$\left| (x(t), y(t)) \right|^\theta \leq 2^{\rho/2} \max \{ x^\rho(t), y^\rho(t) \} \leq 2^{\rho/2} V_3(x(t), y(t)),$$

So

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right|^\rho \leq 2^{\rho/2} \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E V_3(x(t), y(t)) \leq 2^{\rho/2} H.$$

Therefore

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right|^\rho \leq H_1,$$

Among them

$$H_1 = 2^{\rho/2} H.$$

Further considering the stochastic ultimate boundedness of the solution, the following properties hold true.

Theorem 3.1. The solution of system (1.3) is finally bounded by randomness.

Proof. Applying Lemma 3.1, set $\rho = 1/2$, then there exists $K > 0$, so that

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} E \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right|^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq K.$$

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, setting $H_1 = \lceil K/\varepsilon \rceil^{\frac{1}{\rho}}$, an application of Chebyshev's inequality, there is

$$P \left\{ \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right| > H_1 \right\} < \frac{E \left[\left| (x(t), y(t)) \right|^\rho \right]}{H_1^\rho} \leq \varepsilon,$$

So

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} P \left\{ \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right| > H_1 \right\} \leq K \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{K} = \varepsilon.$$

Namely

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} P \left\{ \left| (x(t), y(t)) \right| \leq H_1 \right\} > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

which is the desired assertion.

4. Asymptotic Moment Estimation

Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 3.1 show that, for any given initial condition, system (1.3) has a unique global positive solution and the solution is random and finally has upper bounded. The asymptotic moment of the solution is estimated below.

Theorem 4.1. For any given $\theta \in (0, 1)$, there is positive constant $K = K(\theta)$ such that the solutions of system (1.3) with the initial condition $\{(x(t), y(t)) : -\tau \leq t \leq 0\} \in C([- \tau, 0]; R_+^2)$, have the following property

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T E[x^\theta(s) + y^\theta(s)] ds \leq K. \quad (4.1)$$

where $K(\theta)$ is in dependent of the initial value.

Proof. Define a C^2 -function

$$V_4(x(t), y(t)) = x^\theta(t) + y^\theta(t), \quad (x(t), y(t)) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2.$$

By Itô's formula, one can see that

$$dV_4(x(t), y(t)) = LV_4(x(t), y(t))dt + \theta\alpha_1 x^\theta(t)dW_1(t) + \theta\alpha_2 y^\theta(t)dW_2(t). \quad (4.2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & LV_4(x(t), y(t)) \\ &= \theta x^\theta(t) \left[a_1 - b_1(t - \tau_1) - \frac{c_1 y(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t) + m_2 y(t)} \right] + \frac{\theta(\theta - 1)\alpha_1^2}{2} x^\theta(t) \\ & \quad + \theta y^\theta(t) \left[a_2 - b_2(t - \tau_2) + \frac{c_2 x(t - \tau_3)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} \right] + \frac{\theta(\theta - 1)\alpha_2^2}{2} y^\theta(t) \\ & \leq a_1 \theta x^\theta(t) - \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_1^2}{2} x^\theta(t) + a_2 \theta y^\theta(t) \\ & \quad + \frac{c_2 \theta x(t - \tau_3) y^\theta(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} - \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_2^2}{2} y^\theta(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & LV_4(x(t), y(t)) + \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_1^2}{4} x^\theta(t) + \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_2^2}{4} y^\theta(t) \\ & \leq a_1 \theta x^\theta(t) - \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_1^2}{4} x^\theta(t) + a_2 \theta y^\theta(t) \\ & \quad + \frac{c_2 \theta x(t - \tau_3) y^\theta(t)}{1 + m_1 x(t - \tau_3) + m_2 y(t - \tau_3)} - \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_2^2}{4} y^\theta(t) \\ & \leq M. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

where M is a positive number, if we take $\alpha^2 = \min\{\alpha_1^2, \alpha_2^2\}$, from (4.1), we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & LV_4(x(t), y(t)) + \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha^2}{4} (x^\theta(t) + y^\theta(t)) \\ & \leq LV_4(x(t), y(t)) + \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_1^2}{4} x^\theta(t) + \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha_2^2}{4} y^\theta(t) \leq M. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

Substituting Equation (4.4) into (4.2)

$$\begin{aligned} dV_4(x(t), y(t)) & \leq \left[M - \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha^2}{4} (x^\theta(t) + y^\theta(t)) \right] dt \\ & \quad + \theta\alpha_1 x^\theta(t) dW_1(t) + \theta\alpha_2 y^\theta(t) dW_2(t), \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & dV_4(x(t), y(t)) + \left[\frac{\theta(1 - \theta)\alpha^2}{4} (x^\theta(t) + y^\theta(t)) \right] dt \\ & \leq M dt + \theta\alpha_1 x^\theta(t) dW_1(t) + \theta\alpha_2 y^\theta(t) dW_2(t). \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of the above inequality from 0 to $\tau_u \wedge T$ and then taking the expectations leads to

$$E V_4(x(t), y(t)) + \frac{\theta(1-\theta)\alpha^2}{4} \int_0^T E[x^\theta(s) + y^\theta(s)] ds \leq V_4(x(0), y(0)) + MT.$$

Namely

$$\int_0^T E[x^\theta(s) + y^\theta(s)] ds \leq \frac{4}{\theta(1-\theta)\alpha^2} (V(x(0), y(0)) + MT).$$

Dividing both sides by T

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T E[x^\theta(s) + y^\theta(s)] ds \leq \frac{4}{\theta(1-\theta)\alpha^2} \left(\frac{V(x(0), y(0))}{T} + M \right).$$

If we set

$$K = \frac{4M}{\theta(1-\theta)\alpha^2}.$$

We get Equation (4.1), which is the desired assertion.

5. Numerical Simulations

Utilize the Milstein method (see e.g., [19]) to verify the theoretical results.

Considering the following discretization equations:

$$\begin{cases} dx_{i+1} = x_i + x_i \left[a_1 - b_1 x_{(i-s_1)} - \frac{c_1 y_i}{1 + m_1 x_i + m_2 y_i} \right] dt + \alpha_1 x_i \sqrt{\Delta t} \eta_{1,i}, \\ dy_{i+1} = y_i + y_i \left[a_2 - b_2 y_{(i-s_2)} + \frac{c_2 x_{(i-s_3)}}{1 + m_1 x_{(i-s_3)} + m_2 y_{(i-s_3)}} \right] dt + \alpha_2 y_i \sqrt{\Delta t} \eta_{2,i}. \end{cases} \tag{5.1}$$

where $\eta_{1,i}$ and $\eta_{2,i}$ are Gaussian random variables that are independent of each other and follow the standard normal distribution $N(0,1)$. Set $\Delta t = 0.01$, step length is 300, select

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 = 0.8, \quad b_1 = 0.5, \quad c_1 = 0.2, \quad m_1 = 0.2, \quad \tau = \max\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3\}, \quad \tau = 1, \\ a_2 = 0.3, \quad b_2 = 0.2, \quad c_2 = 0.1, \quad m_2 = 0.1. \end{aligned}$$

And assume that the parameters below are the same as above.

Suppose initial data

$$\phi(\theta) = (0.6, 0.6),$$

Select $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0.1$, it can be seen from Theorem 3.1 that system (5.1) is stochastic ultimate boundedness (See green line in **Figure 1(a)** and **Figure 2(a)**). In order to discuss the influence of random white noise, $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ is selected to obtain the deterministic system corresponding to system (5.1), which is ultimately bounded (See red line in **Figure 1(a)** and **Figure 2(a)**). The blue lines represent the probability density functions of x and y at time 300 (in **Figure 1(b)** and **Figure 2(b)**).

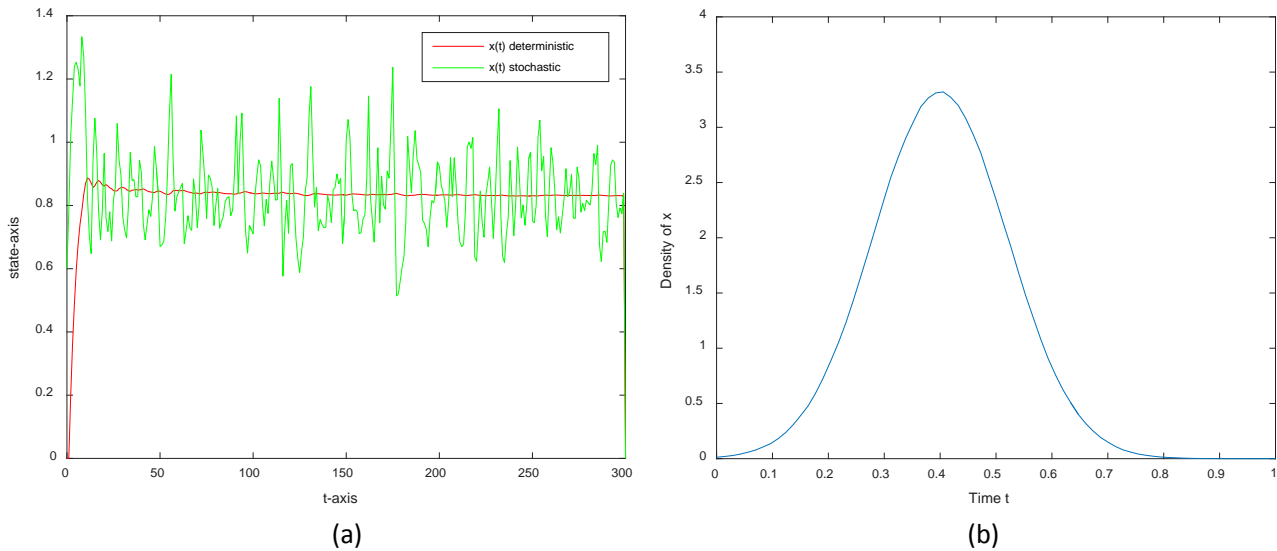


Figure 1. System (5.1) take the initial data $\phi(\theta) = (0.6, 0.6)$, (a) Green line: $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0.1$, red line: $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$. (b) The blue line represents the probability functions of x .

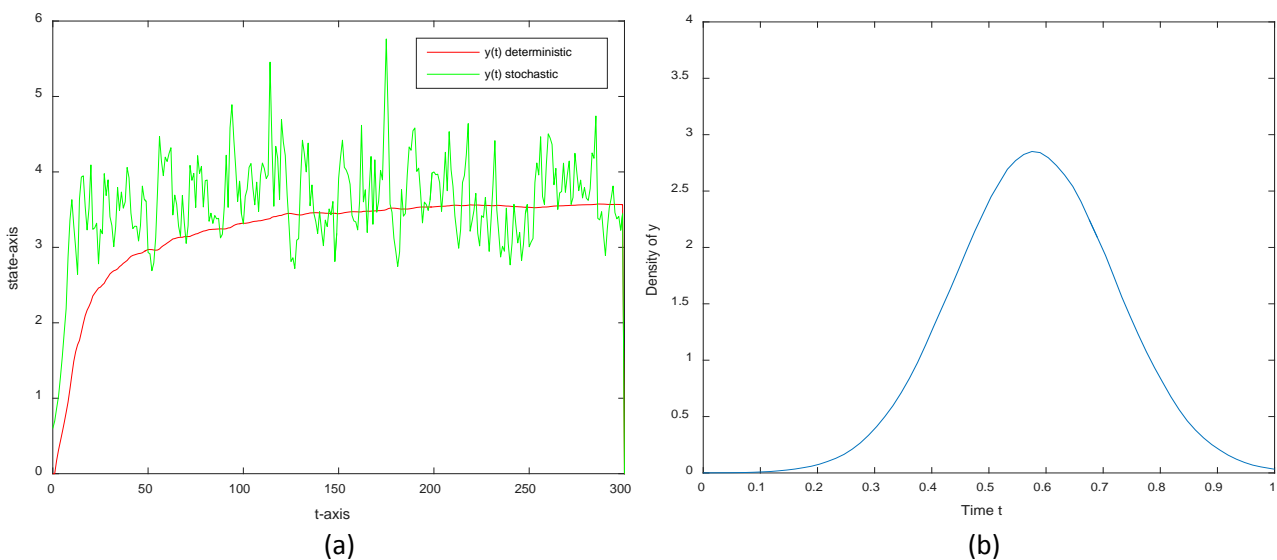


Figure 2. System (5.1) take the initial data $\phi(\theta) = (0.6, 0.6)$, (a) Green line: $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0.1$, red line: $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$. (b) The blue line represents the probability functions of y .

6. Conclusion

The research of predator-prey system has certainly theory and application value. In this paper, we study a stochastic delayed predator-prey system with Beddington-DeAngelis functional response and discuss some properties of the system solution, which include existence and uniqueness of the global positive solution, stochastic ultimate boundedness of the solution, and asymptotic moment estimate. These properties provide a theoretical basis for the management of population dynamic system. Based on this work, we can also study population dynamics system with time delay and other types of functional responses.

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