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Approximation of invariant measure for a stochastic population model with Markov chain and diffusion in a polluted environment

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Abstract: In the paper, we propose a novel stochastic population model with Markov chain and diffusion in a polluted environment. Under the condition that the diffusion coefficient satisfies the local Lipschitz condition, we prove the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for the model. Moreover, we also discuss the existence and uniqueness of numerical invariance measure for stochastic population model under the discrete-time Euler-Maruyama scheme, and prove that numerical invariance measure converges to the invariance measure of the corresponding exact solution in the Wasserstein distance sense. Finally, we give the numerical simulation to show the correctness of the theoretical results.

Keywords: stochastic population model; invariant measure; Markov chain; spatial diffusion; environmental pollution

1. Introduction

With the rapid development of industry and agriculture, the environment pollution has caused many serious ecological problems (see [1-3]), such as the reduction of species diversity and the extinction of some species. Therefore, it motivates many scholars' interest to study dynamic behavior of population in a polluted environment by establishing mathematical models. The population model in a polluted environment was first proposed by Hallam et al. [4, 5]. From then on, more investigations and discussions on the dynamic behavior of the deterministic population model can be found (see [6-10]). But in practical problems, population changes are affected not only by

environmental noise but also by sudden changes of temperature and climate. Thus, several scholars have introduced random perturbations into population model to study dynamic behavior. For example, Liu and Wang [11] established the stochastic population model with impulsive toxicant input and obtained sufficient conditions on extinction, persistence, stability in the mean. Subsequently, Yu et al. [12] proved the existence of global positive solution for the stochastic population model with Allee effect under regime switching and established the threshold. In [13], Wei et al. proposed a stochastic population model with partial tolerance, discussed the conditions for population the extinction and proved the stationary distribution with ergodicity by constructing the Lyapunov function. Liu et al. [14] considered the significance of white noise and color noise on population persistence and extinction and studied stochastic population model with Markov switching. More research results on the persistence, extinction, and stability of random population models and others have been presented (see [15–19]). However, the above mentioned references didn't consider the invariant measure of population system with diffusion.

In fact, in the real world, the population and toxins in the ecology spread around the medium such as soil and water. In addition, we also know that the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure is one of the important properties for stochastic population model with Markov switching and diffusion. Nevertheless, if we introduce diffusion into stochastic population model, the corresponding Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck (KFP) equation will become more complicated. Furthermore, the invariant measure of stochastic population model with Markov switching and diffusion is difficult to obtain. Therefore, it is of great significance to choose an effective numerical approximation method. To the best of our knowledge, the explicit Euler-Maruyama (EM) method has the advantages of easy calculation and small calculation amount. Motivated by [20, 21], in the paper, we first develop a new stochastic population model with Markov switching and diffusion. Under suitable regularity assumptions, we discuss the existence and uniqueness of numerical invariant measure generated by the EM method. Subsequently, we prove that numerical invariant measure converges to the invariant measure of exact solution in the Wasserstein distance sense. In particular, the main contributions of the paper are as follows:

- We establish a novel stochastic population model with diffusion and Markov switching in a polluted environment. By using the Chebyshev's inequality, we obtain the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for the model.
- Under local Lipschitz conditions, we study the approximation of numerical invariant measure generated by the EM method for the newly developed model.

The structure of this article is as follows: In Section 2, we introduce some necessary preliminary knowledge results for the following analysis. In Section 3, based on the Perron-Frobenius theorem, we study existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for the exact solution. In Section 4, we mainly study the existence and uniqueness of numerical invariant measure for the EM scheme. In addition, we also prove that the numerical invariant measure of the EM scheme converges to invariant measure of exact solution. In Section 5, the numerical example is given to verify our theoretical results. In Section 6, we give the conclusions of this study.

2. Preliminaries

In this paper, we introduce Markov switching and spatial diffusion into the model mentioned by Liu and Wang [15], and obtain the following model

$$\begin{aligned} dX_{1}(t,x) &= [k_{1}(t,x)\Delta X_{1}(t,x) + \beta(t,x,X_{2}(t,x),\Lambda_{t})X_{1}(t,x)]dt \\ &-\mu(t,x,X_{2}(t,x),\Lambda_{t})X_{1}(t,x)dt + g(t,X_{1}(t,x),\Lambda_{t})dW_{t}, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ dX_{2}(t,x) &= [k_{2}(t,x)\Delta X_{2}(t,x) + K(\Lambda_{t})X_{3}(t,x) - (l(\Lambda_{t}) + m(\Lambda_{t}))X_{2}(t,x)]dt, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ dX_{3}(t,x) &= [k_{3}(t,x)\Delta X_{3}(t,x) - M(\Lambda_{t})X_{3}(t,x) + u(t,x)]dt, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ X_{1}(0,x) &= s_{1}(x), X_{2}(0,x) = s_{2}(x), X_{3}(0,x) = s_{3}(x), & in \quad x \in \Gamma, \\ X_{1}(t,x) &= 0, X_{2}(t,x) = 0, X_{3}(t,x) = 0, & on \quad (0,T] \times \partial\Gamma, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.1)$$

where $\mathcal{L} := (0, T) \times \Gamma$, Γ is a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^3 with smooth boundary $\partial \Gamma$, $t \in (0, T)$; $X_1(t, x)$ denotes the population density at the location x at time t. $X_2(t, x)$ is the concentration of toxicant in the organism at time t and in spatial position x. The concentration of toxicant in the environment at the location x at time t is described by $X_3(t, x)$. $K(\Lambda_t)$ is the net organismal uptake rate of toxicant from the environment at time t. $M(\Lambda_t)$ is the total loss rate of the toxicant from the environment. $\mu(t, x, X_2(t, x), \Lambda_t)$ denotes the decreasing rate function of the population at time t and in spatial position x. $k_i > 0, i = 1, 2, 3$ is the diffusion coefficient. $\beta(t, x, X_2(t, x), \Lambda_t)$ denotes the exogenous total toxicant input into environment at time t and in spatial position x. u(t, x) denotes the exogenous total toxicant function of the population at time t and in spatial position x. u(t, x) denotes the exogenous total toxicant input into environment at time t and in spatial position x. $l(\Lambda_t)$ is the net organismal excretion rate of toxicant input into environment at time t and in spatial position x. $l(\Lambda_t)$ is the net organismal excretion rate of toxicant and $m(\Lambda_t)$ is depuration rate of toxicant due to metabolic process and other losses.

Throughout the paper, Let $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ and $(H, |\cdot|)$ be two separable Hilbert spaces, with norm denoted by $\|\cdot\|$ and $|\cdot|$, respectively. *V* is viewed as a subspace of *H* with a continuous dense embedding. $V \Subset H$ represents the embedding is compact. *V'* and *H'* are the dual of *V*, *H*. We set $H_3 := H \times H \times H$. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a complete probability space with $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{0 \le t \le T}$ the natural filtration generated by the Brownian motion W_t , which means $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma\{W_s; 0 \le s \le t\}$ augmented with all \mathbb{P} -null sets of \mathcal{F}_0 . To construct such a filtration, we denote by \mathcal{N} the collection of \mathbb{P} -null sets, i.e. $\mathcal{N} = \{B \in \mathcal{F} : \mathbb{P}(B) = 0\}$. In the paper, C > 0 represents different positive constants. Let $\Lambda_t, t > 0$, be a right-continuous Markov chain on the probability space taking values in a finite state $S = \{1, 2, ..., N\}$ for some positive integer $\mathcal{N} < \infty$. The generator of $\{\Lambda_t\}_{t>0}$ is specified by $Q = (q_{ij})_{N \times N}$, such that for a sufficiently small Δ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(\Lambda_{t+\Delta} = j | \Lambda_t = i) = \begin{cases} q_{ij}\Delta + o(\Delta), & i \neq j, \\ 1 + q_{ii}\Delta + o(\Delta), & i = j, \end{cases}$$
(2.2)

where $\Delta > 0$, $o(\Delta)$ satisfies $\lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{o(\Delta)}{\Delta} = 0$. Here q_{ij} is the transition rate from *i* to *j* satisfying $q_{ii} = -\sum_{i \neq j} q_{ij}$. We assume that the Markov chain $\{\Lambda_t\}$ defined on the probability space above is independent of the standard Brownian motion $\{W_t\}_{t\geq 0}$ and the *Q* matrix is irreducible and conservative. Therefore, the Markov chain $\{\Lambda_t\}_{t\geq 0}$ has a unique stationary distribution $\pi := (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_N)$ which can be determined by solving the linear equation

$$\pi Q = \mathbf{0}$$
 subject to $\sum_{i=1}^{N} \pi_i = 1$ with $\pi_i > \mathbf{0}$.

Let $\mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ stand for the family of all probability measures on $H_3 \times \mathbb{S}$. For $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3)^* \in H_3$, $\xi \gg \mathbf{0}$ means each component $\xi_i > 0$, i = 1, 2, 3.

Next, let's give some necessary assumptions:

(\mathbb{H} 1) Setting $X_{k,t}^{s_k,i} := X_k^{s_k,i}(t,x), k = 1, 2, 3$, there exists a positive constant ρ_i such that for $i \in \mathbb{S}$, $(t, x) \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\|g(t, X_{1,t}^{s_{1},i}, i) - g(t, X_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1},i}, i)\|^{2} \le \rho_{i} |X_{1,t}^{s_{1},i} - X_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1},i}|^{2},$$
(2.3)

where s_1 and \bar{s}_1 are the different initial values of the first equation for system (2.1).

From (\mathbb{H} 1), for each $i \in \mathbb{S}$ and $X_{1,t}^{s_1,i} \in H$, we can obtain that for $(t, x) \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\|g(t, X_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}}, i)\|^2 \le C + \rho_i |X_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}}|^2,$$
(2.4)

where *C* depends on the initial value of the function $g(t, X_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, i)$. ($\mathbb{H}2$) For each $i \in \mathbb{S}$, there exist positive constants $\overline{M}, \overline{\beta}$ and $\overline{\mu}$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \bar{M} := \max_{i} \{ M(\Lambda_{i}) \}, & 0 < \bar{M} < \infty; \\ 0 \le \beta(t, x, X_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}}, \Lambda_{i}) \le \bar{\beta} < \infty; \\ 0 \le \mu_{0} \le \mu(t, x, X_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}}, \Lambda_{i}) \le \bar{\mu} < \infty. \end{cases}$$
(2.5)

(H3) u(t, x) is non-negative measurable in \mathcal{L} , there exists a positive constant \bar{u} such that

$$0 \le u_0 \le u(t, x) \le \bar{u} < \infty. \tag{2.6}$$

We replace $((X_{1,t}, X_{2,t}, X_{3,t}), \Lambda_t)$ with $((X_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, X_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, X_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$, especially the initial value

$$((X_1^0, X_2^0, X_3^0), \Lambda_0) = ((s_1, s_2, s_3), i).$$

For any $p \in (0, 1]$, we set $s := (s_1, s_2, s_3)$ and define a metric on $H_3 \times S$ as follows

$$d_p((s,i),(\bar{s},i)) := \int_{H_3} \sum_{k=1}^3 |s_k - \bar{s}_k|^p + I_{\{i \neq j\}}, \quad (s,i), (\bar{s},i) \in H_3 \times \mathbb{S},$$

where I_A denotes the indicator function of the set A, and $\bar{s} := (\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3)$ is different initial value. For $p \in (0, 1]$, we define the Wassertein distance between $v \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ and $v' \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ by

$$W_p(\nu,\nu') = \inf \mathbb{E}d_p(X_k, X_{k'}),$$

where the infimum is taken over all pairs of random variables X_k , $X_{k'}$ on $H_3 \times \mathbb{S}$ with respective laws v, v'. Let $\mathbb{P}_t((s_1, s_2, s_3), i; \cdot)$ be the transition probability kernel of the pair $((X_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, X_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, X_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$, a time homogeneous Markov process (see [22]). Recall that $\pi \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ is called an invariant measure of $((X_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, X_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, X_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$ if

$$\pi(A \times \{i\}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \int_{H_3} \mathbb{P}_t((s_1, s_2, s_3), j; A \times \{i\}) \pi(d(s_1, s_2, s_3) \times \{j\}), t \ge 0, A \in H_3, i \in \mathbb{S}$$
(2.7)

holds. For any p > 0, let

diag(
$$\rho$$
) \triangleq diag(ρ_1, \dots, ρ_N), $Q_p \triangleq Q + \frac{p}{2}$ diag(ρ), $\eta_p \triangleq -\max_{\gamma} Re\gamma.$ (2.8)

where ρ_i is introduced in the assumptions and $\gamma \in \text{spec}(Q_p)$, $\text{spec}(Q_p)$ denotes the spectrum of Q_p (i.e., the multi-set of its eigenvalues). *Re* γ is the real part of γ and $\text{diag}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_N)$ denotes the diagonal matrix whose diagonal entries are ρ_1, \dots, ρ_N , respectively.

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3. Existence and uniqueness of invariant measures

In this section, we mainly prove the existence and uniqueness of the invariant measure for the exact solution, under the assumption conditions ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$). Firstly, in order to prove the existence and uniqueness of the underlying invariant measure, we prepare the following lemma.

Lemma 3.1. (see [22]) Let $N < \infty$ and assume further that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i \rho_i < 0, \tag{3.1}$$

where μ_i is the stationary distribution of Markov chain $\{\Lambda_t\}_{t\geq 0}$, and ρ_i is introduced in the assumption ($\mathbb{H}1$). Then

(1) $\eta_p > 0$ if $\max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} \rho_i \le 0$; (2) $\eta_p > 0$ for $p < \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}, \rho_i > 0} \{-2q_{ii}/\rho_i\}$ if $\max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} \rho_i > 0$.

Remark 1: The system (2.1) is said to be attractive " in average " if Eq (3.1) holds. The Lemma 3.1 provides great convenience to study the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for exact solution, i.e., the proof of Theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.1. Let $N < \infty$ and assume further that ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$) hold with $\max_{i \in S} \rho_i > 0$. Then the exact solution of system (2.1) admits a unique invariant measure $\pi \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$.

Proof. The key point of proof is to divide the whole proof into two parts of existence and uniqueness.

(*I*) Existence of invariant measure. Let $((Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$ be the exact solution of system (2.1) with $((s_1, s_2, s_3), i)$ as initial value, where $((s_1, s_2, s_3), i) \in H_3 \times \mathbb{S}$. A simple application of the Feynman-Kac formula show that let $Q_{p,t} = e^{tQ_p}$, where Q_p is given in Eq (2.8). Then, the spectral radius Ria $(Q_{p,t})$ (i.e., Ria $(Q_{p,t}) = \sup_{\lambda \in \text{Spec}(Q_{p,t})} |\lambda|$) of $Q_{p,t}$ equals to $e^{-\eta_p t}$. Since all coefficients of Q_p , are positive, by the Perron-Frobenius theorem (see [23]) yields that $-\eta_p$ is a simple eigenvalue of Q_p , all other eigenvalues have a strictly smaller real part. Note that the eigenvector of $Q_{p,t}$ corresponding to $e^{-\eta_p t}$ is a leo on eigenvector of Q_p corresponding to $-\eta_p$. According to Perron-Frobenius theorem, for Q_p it can be found that there is a positive eigenvector $\xi^{(p)} = (\xi_1^{(p)}, \dots, \xi_N^{(p)}) \gg \mathbf{0}$ corresponding to the eigenvalue $-\eta_p$, and $\xi^{(p)} \gg \mathbf{0}$ means that each component $\xi_i^{(p)} > 0$. Let

$$p_0 = 1 \wedge \min_{i \in \mathbb{S}, \rho_i > 0} \{-2q_{ii}/\rho_i\},\tag{3.2}$$

where $1 \wedge \min_{i \in \mathbb{S}, \rho_i > 0} \{-2q_{ii}/\rho_i\} := \min\{1, \min_{i \in \mathbb{S}, \rho_i > 0} \{-2q_{ii}/\rho_i\}\}$. Combined with Lemma 3.1, we can get

$$Q_p \xi_i^{(p)} = -\eta_p \xi_i^{(p)} \ll \mathbf{0}.$$
(3.3)

In order to investigate the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for exact solution, we need to prove the boundedness of exact solution for system (2.1). In other words, we need to prove whether the following inequality holds.

$$\mathbb{E}(1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}}|^{p}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}}|^{p}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}}|^{p}) \leq C.$$

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First, using the Itô's formula (see [24], Theorem 1.45 of p.48), we can have

$$\begin{split} &e^{\eta_{p}t}\mathbb{E}((1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{i}}^{(p)}) \\ =&(1+|s_{1}|^{2}+|s_{2}|^{2}+|s_{3}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\xi_{i}^{p}+\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\left\{\eta_{p}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}\right. \\ &+(Q\xi^{(p)})(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})\right\}d\epsilon+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}\left\{2\langle Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i},K(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}\right. \\ &-(l(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})+m(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}))Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}\rangle+2\langle Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i},k_{1}\Delta Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}+\beta Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}-\mu Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}\rangle+2\langle Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i},-M(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}\\ &+u_{\epsilon}+k_{3}\Delta Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}\rangle+2\langle Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i},k_{2}\Delta Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}\rangle\right\}d\epsilon+\frac{p}{2}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}\mathbb{E}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\\ &\times\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}\Big\{(p-2)(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{-1}||Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}\times g(\epsilon,Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i},\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})||^{2}+||g(\epsilon,Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i},\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})||^{2}\Big\}d\epsilon. \end{split}$$

Using p(p-2)/2 < 0, due to $p \in (0, p_0)$, and combining with the following inequality,

$$\int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} k(t, x) \Delta Y_{k,\epsilon} Y_{k,\epsilon} dx d\epsilon$$

= $-\int_{0}^{t} \int_{\Omega} k(t, x) \nabla Y_{k,\epsilon} \nabla Y_{k,\epsilon} dx d\epsilon$
 $\leq -k_{0} \int_{0}^{t} ||Y_{k,\epsilon}||^{2} d\epsilon, \quad k = 1, 2, 3$ (3.4)

where $0 \le k_0 \le k(t, x) < \infty$ (k_0 is a constant). Further, we have

$$\begin{split} e^{\eta_{p}t} \mathbb{E}((1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{i}}^{(p)}) \\ \leq & (1+|s_{1}|^{2}+|s_{2}|^{2}+|s_{3}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\xi_{i}^{(p)}+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\Big\{2\langle Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i},\beta Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}\rangle \\ & -\mu Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}\rangle+\varepsilon_{1}(K(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}))^{2}|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{1}}|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2}+2(l(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})+m(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}))|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+\varepsilon_{2}|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2}+\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{2}}|u_{\epsilon}|^{2} \\ & +2\bar{M}|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2}\Big\}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}d\epsilon+\frac{p}{2}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}\mathbb{E}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}-1}||g(s,Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i},\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})||^{2}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}d\epsilon \\ & +\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\Big\{\eta_{p}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}+(Q\xi^{(P)})(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})\Big\}d\epsilon. \end{split}$$

Therefore, based on assumption conditions ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$) and the inequality $2ab \leq \varepsilon a^2 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}b^2$, $\varepsilon > 0$ we can obtain

$$\begin{split} &e^{\eta_{p}t}\mathbb{E}((1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{i}}^{(p)})\\ \leq &(1+|s_{1}|^{2}+|s_{2}|^{2}+|s_{3}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\xi_{i}^{(p)}+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}-1}\Big\{c+[2(\bar{\beta}\\ &-\mu_{0})+\rho_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}]|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+[2(l(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})+m(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}))+\varepsilon_{1}\bar{K}^{2}]|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+[2\bar{M}+\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{2}}+\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{1}}]|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2}+\varepsilon_{2}|u_{\epsilon}|^{2}\Big\}d\epsilon\\ &+\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\Big\{\eta_{p}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}+(Q\xi^{(P)})(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})\Big\}d\epsilon,\end{split}$$

where $\bar{K} := \max_{i} \{K(\Lambda_i)\}$, for all $i \in \mathbb{S}$, $0 < \bar{K} < \infty$. Then, setting $C_1 := 2(\bar{\beta} - \mu_0) + \rho_0$, $\rho_0 := \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} |\rho_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^i}|$ $C_2 := \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} 2(l(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^i) + m(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^i)) + \varepsilon_1 \bar{K}^2$ and $C_3 := 2\bar{M} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1}$, $C_4 := \varepsilon_2 + c$ are different constants and

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using the inequality

$$(|a|+|b|)^{r} \le 2^{r-1}(|a|^{r}+|b|^{r}), \quad r \ge 1, \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R},$$
(3.5)

we can further estimate

$$\begin{split} &e^{\eta_{p}t}\mathbb{E}((1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{(p)}}^{(p)})\\ \leq &c(1+|s_{1}|^{p}+|s_{2}|^{p}+|s_{3}|^{p})+\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\Big\{\eta_{p}\xi_{\Lambda_{s}^{i}}^{(p)}+(Q\xi^{(P)})(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})\Big\}d\epsilon\\ &+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\Big\{\frac{C_{1}|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+C_{2}|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}}{(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})}\Big\}d\epsilon\\ &+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}\Big\{\frac{C_{3}|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2}+C_{4}|u_{\epsilon}|^{2}}{(1+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i}|^{2})}\Big\}d\epsilon. \end{split}$$

Finally, by the Gronwall's lemma, we can get the result

$$e^{\eta_p t} \mathbb{E}((1+|Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}|^2+|Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}|^2+|Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}|^2)^{p/2} \xi_{\Lambda_t^i}^{(p)}) \le C e^{CT},$$
(3.6)

and further estimates can be obtained as follows

$$\sup_{t \ge 0} \mathbb{E}((|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}}|^p + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}}|^p + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}}|^p) \le C.$$
(3.7)

For $\forall t > 0$, we can define a probability measure

$$\chi_t(A) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \mathbb{P}_{\epsilon}(s, i; A) d\epsilon, \quad A \in (H_3 \times \mathbb{S}).$$

Then, let $Y_t^{s,i} := (Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i})$, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, by Eq (3.7) and Chebyshev's inequality, there exists an r > 0 sufficiently large such that

$$\chi_t(K_r \times \mathbb{S}) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \mathbb{P}_{\epsilon}(s, i; K_r \times \mathbb{S}) d\epsilon \ge 1 - \frac{\sup_{t \ge 0} (E|Y_t^{s,i}|^p)}{r^p} \ge 1 - \varepsilon.$$
(3.8)

Hence, χ_t is tight since the compact embedding $V \in H$, then $K_r = \{s \in H_3; |s| \le r\}$ is a compact subset of H_3 (see [25], Definition 2, p.27) for each $i \in S$. Combined with the Fellerian property of transition seingroup for $\mathbb{P}_t(s, i; \cdot)$ and according to Krylov-Bogoliubov theorem (see [26]), $((Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$ has an invariant measure (see [27]). Next, we prove the uniqueness of the invariant measure for $((Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$.

(*II*) Uniqueness of invariant measure. First, let $((Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$ and $((Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$ be the solutions of the system (2.1) satisfying the initial values $((s_1, s_2, s_3), i)$ and $((\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3), i)$, respectively. Under assumption conditions ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$), we take $\forall \varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and use Itô's formula,

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combined with Eq (3.4), we have

$$\begin{split} &e^{\eta_{p}t}\mathbb{E}((\varepsilon+|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}}-Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{l}}^{(p)})\\ \leq &(\varepsilon+|s_{1}-\bar{s}_{1}|^{2}+|s_{2}-\bar{s}_{2}|^{2}|+|s_{3}-\bar{s}_{3}|^{2}|)^{p/2}\xi_{t}^{(p)}\\ &+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(\varepsilon+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3,i}}-Y_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2})^{p/2-1}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{l}}^{(p)}\\ &\times\left\{[2(\bar{\beta}-\mu_{0})+\rho_{\Lambda_{t}^{l}}]|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+\varepsilon_{1}\bar{K}^{2}|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{1}}+\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{2}}+2\bar{M}]|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3,i}}-Y_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2}\right\\ &+2(l(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i})+m(\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}))|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+\varepsilon_{2}|u_{\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}-u_{\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2}\right\}d\epsilon\\ \leq &(\varepsilon+|s_{1}-\bar{s}_{1}|^{2}+|s_{2}-\bar{s}_{2}|^{2}|+|s_{3}-\bar{s}_{3}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{t}^{(p)}\\ &+\frac{p}{2}\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t}e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(\varepsilon+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}-Y_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{(p)}}^{(p)}\\ &\times\left\{\frac{C_{1}|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+c_{2}|Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+|Y_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3,i}}-X_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2}+\varepsilon_{2}|u_{\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2}}{\varepsilon+|Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1,i}}-Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{2}+|X_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2,i}}-Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{2}+|X_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3,i}}-X_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{2}}\right\}d\epsilon, \end{split}$$

where C_i , i = 1, 2, 3 have been explained before and $\rho_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^i}$ is introduced in the assumption (H1). In addition, using the result of Eqs (3.5) and (3.6), we can get

$$e^{\eta_{p}t}\mathbb{E}((\varepsilon + |Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1},i}|^{2} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2},i}|^{2} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i} - X_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{t}^{i}}^{(p)})$$

$$\leq (\varepsilon + |s_{1} - \bar{s}_{1}|^{2} + |s_{2} - \bar{s}_{2}|^{2} + |s_{3} - \bar{s}_{3}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{i}^{(p)}$$

$$+ \frac{p}{2}C\mathbb{E}\int_{0}^{t} e^{\eta_{p}\epsilon}(\varepsilon + |Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i} - Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1},i}|^{2} + |Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i} - X_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2},i}|^{2} + |X_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i} - X_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3},i}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{\Lambda_{\epsilon}^{i}}^{(p)}$$

$$\times \left\{1 - \varepsilon(\varepsilon + |Y_{1,\epsilon}^{s_{1},i} - Y_{1,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{1},i}|^{2} + |Y_{2,\epsilon}^{s_{2},i} - Y_{2,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{2},i}|^{2} + |X_{3,\epsilon}^{s_{3},i} - X_{3,\epsilon}^{\bar{s}_{3},i}|^{2})^{-1}\right\}d\epsilon$$

$$\leq (\varepsilon + |s_{1} - \bar{s}_{1}|^{2} + |s_{2} - \bar{s}_{2}|^{2}| + |s_{3} - \bar{s}_{3}|^{2})^{p/2}\xi_{i}^{(p)} + C\varepsilon^{p/2}e^{\eta_{p}t},$$
(3.9)

when $\varepsilon \to 0$, we can get the following result

$$\mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,i}}|^{p} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,i}}|^{p} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,i}}|^{p}) \\
\leq C(|s_{1} - \bar{s}_{1}|^{p} + |s_{2} - \bar{s}_{2}|^{p} + |s_{3} - \bar{s}_{3}|^{p})e^{-\eta_{p}t}.$$
(3.10)

Define the stopping time

$$\tau = \inf\{t \ge 0 : \Lambda_t^i = \Lambda_t^j\}.$$

According to the definition of S and irreducibility of Q, there exists $\theta > 0$ such that

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau > t) \le e^{-\theta t}, \qquad t > 0. \tag{3.11}$$

Due to $p \in (0, p_0)$, and choose q > 1 such that $0 < pq < p_0$, where p_0 is introduced in Eq (3.2).

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Using Hölder's inequality, we can have

$$\mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{p} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p})$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}}) + \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \le t/2\}}) + \mathbb{E}(|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}})$$

$$+ \mathbb{E}(|Y_{2,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}}) + \mathbb{E}(|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}}) + \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \le t/2\}})$$

$$\leq (\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{pq} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}})^{1/q} (\mathbb{P}(\tau > t/2))^{1/p} + \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \le t/2\}}\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,t-\tau}^{s_{1,\tau}^{s_{1,j}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{j}} - Y_{1,t-\tau}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}^{s_{1,j}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{j}}|^{p})$$

$$+ (\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{pq} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}})^{1/q} (\mathbb{P}(\tau > t/2))^{1/p} + \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \le t/2\}}\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,t-\tau}^{s_{2,t}^{s_{3,i}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{i}} - Y_{2,t-\tau}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}^{s_{3,j}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{j}}|^{p})$$

$$+ (\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{pq} \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau > t/2\}})^{1/q} (\mathbb{P}(\tau > t/2))^{1/p} + \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \le t/2\}}\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,t-\tau}^{s_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{i}} - Y_{3,t-\tau}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}^{s_{3,j}},\Lambda_{\tau}^{j}}|^{p}).$$

Applying the result of Eq (3.11), we further obtain

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{p} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p}) \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t} (\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{pq})^{\frac{1}{q}} + C\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \leq t/2\}}e^{-\eta_{p}(t-\tau)}\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,\tau}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p}) \\ & + e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t} (\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{pq})^{\frac{1}{q}} + C\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \leq t/2\}}e^{-\eta_{p}(t-\tau)}\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,\tau}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{2,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p}) \\ & + e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t} (\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{pq})^{\frac{1}{q}} + C\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{\{\tau \leq t/2\}}e^{-\eta_{p}(t-\tau)}\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,\tau}^{s_{3,i}} - X_{3,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p}) \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t} (\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{pq})^{\frac{1}{q}} + Ce^{-\frac{\eta_{p}}{2}t}\mathbb{E}|Y_{1,\tau}^{s_{1,i}} - Y_{1,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{p} + e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t}(\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{pq})^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + Ce^{-\frac{\eta_{p}}{2}t}\mathbb{E}|Y_{2,\tau}^{s_{2,i}} - Y_{2,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{p} + e^{-\frac{q-1}{2q}\theta t}(\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{pq})^{1/q} + Ce^{-\frac{\eta_{p}}{2}t}\mathbb{E}|Y_{3,\tau}^{s_{3,i}} - Y_{3,\tau}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{p} \\ & \leq C(1+|s_{1}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{1}|^{p}+|s_{2}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{2}|^{p}+|s_{3}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{3}}|^{p})e^{-\sigma t}, \end{split}$$

where $\sigma := \frac{(q-1)\theta}{2q} \wedge \frac{\eta_p}{2}$, and in the last step, it follows from Eqs (3.7) and (3.10) such that

$$\sup_{t\geq 0} \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1,t}}|^{pq} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2,t}}|^{pq} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3,t}}|^{pq}) \leq C,$$

and

$$\sup_{t\geq 0} \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1,j}}|^{pq} + |Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2,j}}|^{pq} + |Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3,j}}|^{pq}) \leq C.$$

Thus, we also have assertion

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_1,j}|^p + |Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_2,j}|^p + |Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_3,j}|^p) = 0.$$

Then, according to Eq (3.11), we can get

$$\mathbb{P}(\Lambda_t^i \neq \Lambda_t^j) = \mathbb{P}(\tau > t) \le e^{-\theta t} \quad t > 0.$$
(3.14)

Next, according to Eqs (3.14) and (3.13) that

$$\begin{split} W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{t},\delta_{((\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3}),j)}\mathbb{P}_{t}) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}(|Y_{1,t}^{s_{1},i} - Y_{1,t}^{\bar{s}_{1},j}|^{p} + |Y_{2,t}^{s_{2},i} - Y_{2,t}^{\bar{s}_{2},j}|^{p} + |Y_{3,t}^{s_{3},i} - Y_{3,t}^{\bar{s}_{3},j}|^{p}) + \mathbb{P}(\Lambda_{t}^{i} \neq \Lambda_{t}^{j}) \\ &\leq C(1 + |s_{1}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{1}|^{p} + |s_{2}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{2}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{3}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{3}|^{p})e^{-\sigma t} + e^{-\theta t} \\ &\leq Ce^{-\sigma^{*}t}, \end{split}$$
(3.15)

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where $\sigma^* := \sigma \land \theta$. Assume $\pi, \nu \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ are invariant measures of $((Y_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, Y_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, Y_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$, it follows from Eq (3.15) that

$$W_{p}(\pi,\nu) = W_{p}(\pi\mathbb{P}_{t},\nu\mathbb{P}_{t})$$

$$\leq \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} \int_{H_{3}\times\mathbb{S}} \int_{H_{3}\times\mathbb{S}} \pi(d(s_{1},s_{2},s_{3})\times\{i\})\nu(d(\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3})\times\{j\})W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{3}),i)}P_{t},\delta_{((\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3}),j)}P_{t})$$

When $t \to \infty$, we find $W_p(\pi, \nu) \to 0$. Hence, uniqueness of invariant measure follows immediately. The proof of Theorem 3.1 has been completed.

In the following section, we will investigate existence and uniqueness of numerical invariant measure and prove the convergence of numerical invariant measure.

4. Numerical invariant measure

In this section, we mainly discuss existence and uniqueness of numerical invariant measure for system (2.1) under the assumption conditions ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$). In order to facilitate the discussion, we consider the numerical solution in the discrete-time for system (2.1). For a given step size $\delta \in (0, 1)$, we define the discrete-time Euler-Maruyama (EM) scheme associated with model (2.1) as follows

$$\begin{cases} \bar{X}_{1,(n+1)\delta}^{s_{1},i} = \bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i} + [k_{1}(n\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i} + \beta(n\delta, x, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i}, \Lambda_{n\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i}]\delta \\ -\mu(n\delta, x, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i}, \Lambda_{n\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i}\delta + g(n\delta, \bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i}, \Lambda_{n\delta}^{i})\Delta W_{n}, \\ \bar{X}_{2,(n+1)\delta}^{s_{2},i} = \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i} + [k_{2}(n\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i} + K(\Lambda_{n\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_{3},i} - (l(\Lambda_{n\delta}^{i}) + m(\Lambda_{n\delta}^{i}))\bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i}]\delta, \\ \bar{X}_{3,(n+1)\delta}^{s_{3},i} = \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_{3},i} + [k_{3}(n\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_{3},i} - M(\Lambda_{n\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_{3},i} + u(n\delta, x)]\delta, \end{cases}$$
(4.1)

where $n \ge 0$ and $\Delta W_n \triangleq W_{(n+1)\delta} - W_{n\delta}$ denotes Brownian motion increment, $\Delta \bar{X}_{k,n\delta}^{s_k,i}$ is the Laplace of $\bar{X}_{k,n\delta}^{s_k,i}$, with the initial data $((\bar{X}_1^0, \bar{X}_2^0, \bar{X}_3^0), \Lambda_0) = ((s_1, s_2, s_3), i) \in H_3 \times \mathbb{S}$ which is introduced before. Equations (4.1) and (4.2) are the discrete-time EM scheme and continuous-time EM scheme of the corresponding system (2.1), respectively. For convenience, we define the corresponding approximate solution to the system (2.1) on continuous time.

$$\begin{cases} X_{1,t}^{s_{1,i}} = s_{1} + \int_{0}^{t} [k_{1}(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{1,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{s_{1,i}} + \beta(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, x, \bar{X}_{2,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{s_{2,i}}, \Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i}]\bar{X}_{1,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{s_{1,i}}]d\epsilon \\ - \int_{0}^{t} \mu(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, x, \bar{X}_{2,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{s_{2,i}}, \Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{1,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{s_{1,i}}d\epsilon + \int_{0}^{t} g(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, \bar{X}_{1,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{1,i}}, \Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i})dW_{\epsilon}, \\ X_{2,t}^{s_{2,i}} = s_{2} + \int_{0}^{t} [k_{2}(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{2,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{2,i}} + K(\Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{3,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{3,i}}]d\epsilon \\ - \int_{0}^{t} (l(\Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i}) + m(\Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i}))\bar{X}_{2,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{2,i}}d\epsilon, \\ X_{3,t}^{s_{3,i}} = s_{3} + \int_{0}^{t} [k_{3}(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, x)\Delta\bar{X}_{3,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{3,i}} - M(\Lambda_{\lfloor\epsilon/\delta\rfloor\delta}^{i})\bar{X}_{3,\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta}^{s_{3,i}} + u(\lfloor\epsilon/\delta]\delta, x)]d\epsilon, \end{cases}$$

$$(4.2)$$

where $t > 0, \Lambda_0^i = i \in \mathbb{S}, \forall b \ge 0, \lfloor b \rfloor$ is the interger part of *b*. Obviously, by a straightforward calculation, we can have $(X_{1,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_1,i}, X_{2,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_2,i}, X_{3,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_3,i}) = (\bar{X}_{1,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_1,i}, \bar{X}_{2,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_2,i}, \bar{X}_{3,\lfloor \epsilon/\delta \rfloor \delta}^{s_3,i})$.

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Let $\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}((s_1, s_2, s_3), j; \cdot)$ be the transition probability kernel of $((\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_1,i}, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_2,i}, \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_{n\delta}^i)$. If $\pi^{\delta} \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ satisfies the following equation

$$\pi^{\delta}(A \times \{i\}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \int_{H_3} \mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}((s_1, s_2, s_3), j; A \times \{i\}) \pi^{\delta}(d(s_1, s_2, s_3) \times \{j\}), t \ge 0, A \in H_3, i \in \mathbb{S},$$
(4.3)

then we call $\pi^{\delta} \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ an invariant measure of $((\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_1,i}, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_2,i}, \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_{n\delta}^i)$ or a numerical invariant measure of $((X_{1,t}^{s_1,i}, X_{2,t}^{s_2,i}, X_{3,t}^{s_3,i}), \Lambda_t^i)$. Let

$$q_{0} := \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} (-q_{ii}), \ \rho_{0} = \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} |\rho_{i}|, \ \hat{\xi}_{0} \triangleq \max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} \xi_{i}^{(p)}, \ \check{\xi}_{0} \triangleq (\max_{i \in \mathbb{S}} \xi_{i}^{(p)})^{-1}.$$

Our main result in this section is as follows

Lemma 4.1. Under the conditions of Lemma 3.1 and combining Eq (3.2) with (3.3), it holds that

$$\mathbb{E}(|\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_{1},i} - \bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_{1},j}|^{p} + |\bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_{2},i} - \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_{2},j}|^{p} + |\bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_{3},i} - \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_{3},j}|^{p}) \leq C(1 + |s_{1}|^{p} + |s_{2}|^{p} + |s_{3}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{1}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{2}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{3}|^{p})e^{-\eta_{p}n\delta},$$

$$(4.4)$$

for any $p \in (0, p_0)$, $(s, i) = ((s_1, s_2, s_3), i)$, $(\bar{s}, j) = ((\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3), j) \in H_3 \times S$. p_0 is given in Eq (3.2).

Lemma 4.1 shows that numerical solution $(\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{s_1,i}, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{s_2,i}, \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{s_3,i})$ tends to $(\bar{X}_{1,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_1,j}, \bar{X}_{2,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_2,j}, \bar{X}_{3,n\delta}^{\bar{s}_3,j})$ when $n \to \infty$ and $\delta \to 0$ under different initial values and states. This lemma provides a great convenience for the proof of Theorem 4.1. Applying a method similar to Theorem 3.1 can prove the conclusion of Lemma 4.1, so it is omitted.

Theorem 4.1. Under the conditions of Theorem 3.1, there exists a sufficiently small δ^* such that for any $\delta \in (0, \delta^*)$, the solutions of the EM method (4.2) converge to a unique invariant measure $\pi^{\delta} \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ with some exponential rate $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ in the Wassertein distance.

Proof. In fact, for any the initial data (s_1, s_2, s_3) , by Eq (4.2) and the Chebyshev's inequality, we derive that $\{\delta_{(s_1, s_2, s_3)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}\}$ is tight. Therefore, there exists an exact subsequence which converges weakly to an invariant measure denoted by $\pi^{\delta} \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$. According to the Eq (3.14), we have the following result

$$\mathbb{P}(\Lambda_{n\delta}^{i} \neq \Lambda_{n\delta}^{j}) = \mathbb{P}(\tau^{\delta} > n) \le e^{-\theta n\delta}.$$
(4.5)

For any n > 0, combining with Eq (4.4), it is not difficult to get

$$\begin{split} W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta},\delta_{((\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3}),j)}\mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}(|\bar{X}^{s_{1},i}_{1,n\delta} - \bar{X}^{\bar{s}_{1},j}_{1,n\delta}|^{p} + |\bar{X}^{s_{2},i}_{2,n\delta} - \bar{X}^{\bar{s}_{2},j}_{2,n\delta}|^{p} + |\bar{X}^{s_{3},i}_{3,n\delta} - \bar{X}^{\bar{s}_{3},j}_{3,n\delta}|^{p}) + \mathbb{P}(\Lambda^{i}_{n\delta} \neq \Lambda^{j}_{n\delta}) \\ &\leq C(1 + |s_{1}|^{p} + |s_{2}|^{p} + |s_{3}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{1}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{2}|^{p} + |\bar{s}_{3}|^{p})e^{-\bar{\gamma}n\delta}, \end{split}$$
(4.6)

where $\bar{\gamma} := \rho \wedge \theta$, and using the Kolmogorov-Chapman equation and Eq (4.6), for any n, m > 0, we have

$$\begin{split} W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta},\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{(n+m)\delta}^{\delta}) \\ &= W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta},\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}\mathbb{P}_{m\delta}^{\delta}) \\ &\leq \int_{H_{3}\times\mathbb{S}} W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta},\delta_{((\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3}),j)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta})\mathbb{P}_{m\delta}^{\delta}((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i;d(\bar{s}_{1},\bar{s}_{2},\bar{s}_{3}),j)) \\ &\leq \sum_{j\in\mathbb{S}} \int_{H_{3}} C(1+|s_{1}|^{p}+|s_{2}|^{p}+|s_{3}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{1}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{2}|^{p}+|\bar{s}_{3}|^{p})e^{-\bar{\gamma}n\delta}H_{1} \\ &\leq Ce^{-\bar{\gamma}n\delta}, \end{split}$$
(4.7)

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where $H_1 = \mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{m\delta}((s_1, s_2, s_2), i; d(\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3), j)$, then taking $m \to \infty$ such that

$$W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}, \pi^{\delta}) \to 0, \quad n \to \infty,$$
(4.8)

in other words, π^{δ} is the unique invariant measure of $\{\delta_{(s_1,s_2,s_3)}\mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}\}$. $\forall \pi^{\delta}, \nu^{\delta} \in \mathcal{P}(H_3 \times \mathbb{S})$ are invariant measures of $((\bar{X}^{s_1,i}_{1,n\delta}, \bar{X}^{s_2,i}_{2,n\delta}, \bar{X}^{s_1,j}_{3,n\delta}, \bar{X}^{s_2,j}_{2,n\delta}, \bar{X}^{s_3,j}_{3,n\delta}), \Lambda^{j}_{n\delta})$, respectively. Further, we have

$$W_{p}(\pi^{\delta}, \nu^{\delta}) = W_{p}(\pi^{\delta} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}, \nu^{\delta} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta})$$

$$\leq \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} \int_{H_{3} \times \mathbb{S}} \int_{H_{3} \times \mathbb{S}} \pi^{\delta}(d(s_{1}, s_{2}, s_{3}) \times \{i\}) \nu^{\delta}(d(\bar{s}_{1}, \bar{s}_{2}, \bar{s}_{3}) \times \{j\}) W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1}, s_{2}, s_{3}), j)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}, \delta_{((\bar{s}_{1}, \bar{s}_{2}, \bar{s}_{3}), j)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}).$$
(4.9)

The uniqueness for the numerical invariant measure have been completed. Therefore, the proof of Theorem 4.1 is complete.

To show that the numerical invariant measure π^{δ} converges to the invariant measure of the corresponding exact solution under the Wasserstein distance, the following theorem is given.

Theorem 4.2. Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1 and Eq (4.8), for $\delta \in (0, 1)$ there exists C > 0 such that

$$W_p(\pi,\pi^{\delta}) \le C\delta^{\frac{p}{2}}, \quad p \in (0,p_0),$$

where $p_0 > 0$ is defined in Eq (3.2).

Proof. For $p \in (0, p_0)$, due to

$$W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}, \pi) \le \int_{H_3 \times S} \pi(d(\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3) \times \{j\}) W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}, \delta_{((\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3), j)} P_{n\delta}^{\delta})$$

and

$$W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}, \pi^{\delta}) \le \int_{H_3 \times S} \pi(d(\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3) \times \{j\}) W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}^{\delta}_{n\delta}, \delta_{((\bar{s}_1, \bar{s}_2, \bar{s}_3), j)} P^{\delta}_{n\delta})$$

Then based on the assumption conditions of ($\mathbb{H}1$)–($\mathbb{H}3$) and Eq (4.8), there exists a sufficiently small δ^* such that for any $\delta \in (0, \delta^*)$, there is n > 0 sufficiently large such that

$$W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta},\pi) + W_{p}(\delta_{((s_{1},s_{2},s_{2}),i)}\mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta},\pi^{\delta}) \le C\delta^{\frac{\nu}{2}},$$
(4.10)

For fixed n > 0 and using the triangle inequality, and by the similar way of [22], we can obtain $\lim_{\delta \to 0} W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}, \delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}) = 0.$ In other words, there exists a positive constant $\bar{\nu}$ such that $W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}, \delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}) \leq Ce^{\bar{\nu}\delta n} \delta^{\frac{p}{2}}.$ According to Theorem 3.1 and Eq (4.8), we can get the following result

$$W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}, \pi) + W_p(\delta_{((s_1, s_2, s_2), i)} \mathbb{P}_{n\delta}^{\delta}, \pi^{\delta}) \le C e^{-\gamma^* n\delta},$$
(4.11)

where $\gamma^* := \sigma^* \wedge \bar{\gamma}$. Let \bar{C} be the integer part of constant $-p \ln \delta / [2(\bar{\nu} + \gamma^*)\delta]$, obviously, $\bar{C} \to 0$ as $\delta \to 0$. On the other hand, we have $e^{\bar{\nu}\bar{C}\delta}\delta^{\frac{p}{2}} \le \delta^{\frac{p\sigma^*}{2}} \le \delta^{\frac{p}{2}}$, $e^{-\sigma^*\bar{C}\delta} \le e^{\gamma^*\delta^*}\delta^{\frac{p}{2}}$. Therefore, $W_p(\pi, \pi^{\delta}) \le C\delta^{\frac{p}{2}}$ holds.

Further, to illustrate the validity of our theory which are discussed in the previous section, we will give a numerical example.

5. Numerical examples

Let Λ_t be a Markov chain with the state space $\mathbb{S} = \{1, 2\}$, and the generator

$$\Gamma = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 3 & -3 \\ -4 & 4 \end{array}\right).$$

It is easy to show that its unique stationary distribution $\pi = (\pi_1, \pi_2)$ is given by $\pi_1 = 1/2, \pi_1 = 1/2$. On the other hand, we give the following setting: $V(\Lambda_t) := l(\Lambda_t) + m(\Lambda_t)$, when $\Lambda_t = 1$, we choose $M(1) = \frac{1}{2} \exp(\frac{2}{1+2t})$, $K(1) = 0.01 \sin(\frac{1}{(3+0.2t)^2})$ and V(1) = l(1) + m(1) = 1.99; when $\Lambda_t = 2$, we choose $M(2) = \frac{9}{10}(\frac{1}{1+t})$, $K(2) = 0.05 \sin(\frac{1}{(3+0.2t)^2})$ and V(2) = l(2) + m(2) = 1.6. In the state 1 and 2, setting T = 1, $t \in (0, 1)$, $\beta := \beta(t, x, X_2(t, x), \Lambda_t) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \frac{0.5X_2(t, x)}{0.5(1+X_2(t, x))})(1 - \frac{x}{5+x})$, $\mu := \mu(t, x, X_2(t, x), \Lambda_t) = \frac{3}{10}(0.5 - \frac{0.8X_2(t, x)}{1+0.5X_2(t, x)})(1 - \frac{x}{0.5+x})$, $g := g(t, x, X_1(t, x), \Lambda_t) = 0.05 + 0.3X_1(t, x)$, and taking $k_1 = 0.005$, $k_2 = k_3 = 0.05$, $s_1(x) = s_2(x) = \frac{0.2}{(1+x)^2}$, $s_3(x) = \frac{0.2}{(1+1.5x)^2}$, the system (2.1) is described as follows

$$\begin{cases} dX_{1}(t,x) = [0.005\Delta X_{1}(t,x) + \beta X_{1}(t,x) - \mu X_{1}(t,x)]dt + gdW_{t}, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ dX_{2}(t,x) = [0.05\Delta X_{2}(t,x) + K(\Lambda_{t})X_{3}(t,x) - V(\Lambda_{t})X_{2}(t,x)]dt, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ dX_{3}(t,x) = [0.05\Delta X_{3}(t,x) - M(\Lambda_{t})X_{3}(t,x) + u(t,x)]dt, & in \quad (0,T) \times \Gamma, \\ X_{1}(0,x) = X_{2}(0,x) = \frac{0.2}{(1+x)^{2}}, & X_{3}(0,x) = \frac{0.2}{(1+1.5x)^{2}}, & in \quad x \in \Gamma, \\ X_{1}(t,x) = 0, & X_{2}(t,x) = 0, & X_{3}(t,x) = 0, \\ \end{array}$$
(5.1)

First, for the system (5.1), we use the discrete-time EM method for numerical simulation. Figure 1 is a simulation of Markov chain which describes switching between different states.



Figure 1. simulation of a single path of Markov chain Λ_t

Then, taking T = 1, N = 100, $|W_{i+1} - W_i| = \sqrt{\delta}$ and $t \in (0, 1)$, step sizes $\delta = 0.005$. Among them, the values of $X_3(t, x)$ and $X_2(t, x)$ do not exceed 0.4. This satisfies the practical significance, i.e., $0 \le X_2(t, x) \le 1, 0 \le X_3(t, x) \le 1$.

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As far as we know, the exact solution for system (5.1) is difficult to find. Inspired by [30] and based on the method of [28], we can take the "explicit solution" $Y_1(t, x) = \exp(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{t^2}{2})(1 + \Delta W)$, $Y_2(t, x) = K \int_0^t Y_3(t, x) \exp\{(l+m)(s-t)\} ds + C_{Y_2} \exp\{-(l+m)t\}$ and $Y_3(t, x) = \int_0^t u(t, x) \exp\{h(s-t)\} ds + C_{Y_3} \exp\{-ht\}$ replace exact solution, where C_{Y_2}, C_{Y_3} are initial values of Y_2 and Y_3 , respectively. Setting $C_{Y_3} = \frac{0.2}{(1+1.5x)^2}, C_{Y_2} = \frac{0.2}{(1+x)^2}, K = 0.05, l+m = 1.9$ and $h = 0.5, u(t, x) = \frac{1}{5}(\frac{4}{(1+2x)^2} - \frac{1}{2})(1-t)^3$. Then, The simulation results are presented separately in Figure 2(a), Figure 4(a) and Figure 6(a). In Figure 6(b) and Figure 4(b) reflect the numerical simulation of $X_3(t, x)$ and $X_2(t, x)$ with Markov switching when the step size is 0.005 under the state "1" and "2" switching.

In addition, Figure 7, Figure 5 and Figure 3 show mean-square error between "explicit solutions Y_3 , Y_2 and Y_1 " and the corresponding numerical solutions X_3 , X_2 and X_1 (Figure 6(b), Figure 4(b) and Figure 2(b)) of stochastic population with diffusion and Markov switching in a polluted environment system (5.1), when we take step sizes $\delta = 0.005, 0.0001$. Obviously, when the step size δ changes from 0.005 to 0.0001, the error values decreases from 0.14, 0.4 and 0.04 to 0.012, 0.025 and 0.02, respectively. Combining Figure 7, Figure 5 and Figure 3, we have the assertion that the smaller the step size, the smaller the error. Hence, it is not difficult to conclude that when $\delta \rightarrow 0$, the numerical solution $X_3(t, x)$, $X_2(t, x)$, $X_1(t, x)$ under discrete-time EM method converges to the explicit solution $Y_3(t, x)$, $Y_2(t, x)$, $Y_1(t, x)$, respectively.



Figure 2. (a) is numerical simulation of "explicit solution" $Y_1(t, x)$ for system (5.1); (b) is numerical simulation of EM numerical solution $X_1(t, x)$ for system (5.1) (when $\delta = 0.005$).



Figure 3. Mean-square error simulation between EM numerical solution for $X_1(t, x)$ and "explicit solution" $Y_1(t, x)$ under step size $\delta = 0.005, 0.0001$, respectively.



Figure 4. (a) "explicit solution" $Y_2(t, x)$ for system (5.1); (b) is a simulation of EM numerical solution $X_2(t, x)$ under the state " $\Lambda_t = 1$ and $\Lambda_t = 2$ " switching (when $\delta = 0.005$).



Figure 5. Mean-square error simulation between EM numerical solution $X_2(t, x)$ and "explicit solution" $Y_2(t, x)$ different step size $\delta = 0.005, 0.0001$, respectively.



Figure 6. (a) "explicit solution" $Y_3(t, x)$; (b) is a simulation of EM numerical solution $X_3(t, x)$ under the state " $\Lambda_t = 1$ and $\Lambda_t = 2$ " switching (when $\delta = 0.005$).



Figure 7. Mean-square error simulation between EM numerical solution for $X_3(t, x)$ and "explicit solution" $Y_3(t, x)$ under step size $\delta = 0.005, 0.0001$, respectively.

6. Concluding remarks

In this paper, we establish a new stochastic population model with Markov chain and diffusion in a polluted environment. Based on the Perron-Frobenius theorem, when the diffusion coefficient satisfies the local Lipschitz, the criterion on the existence and uniqueness of invariant measure for the exact solution is given. Moreover, we also discuss the existence and uniqueness of numerical invariance measure for model (2.1) under the discrete-time Euler-Maruyama scheme, and prove that numerical invariance measure converges to invariance measure of the corresponding exact solution in the Wasserstein distance sense. At the end of this paper, the accuracy of the theoretical results is verified by numerical simulation.

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