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# INITIAL VALUE PROBLEM OF FIRST ORDER RANDOM DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

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# ABSTRACT

In this paper, we prove the existence of extremal solution for the first order initial value problem of random differential equation through random fixed point theory.

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# **1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBLEM**

Let R denote the real line and let J = [0,T] be a closed and bounded interval in R. let  $C^1(J,R)$  denote the class of real - valued functions defined and continuously differentiable on J. Given a measurable space  $(\Omega, A)$  and for a given measurable function  $q_0 : \Omega \to R$ , consider the initial value problem of first order ordinary random differential equation (in short RDE),

 $\begin{aligned} x'(t,\omega) &= f(t, x(t,\omega), \omega) \quad a.e.t \in J, \\ x(0,\omega) &= q_0(\omega), \\ \text{for all } \omega \in \Omega, \text{ where } f: J \times R \times \Omega \to R \end{aligned}$ (1.1)

By a random solution of the RDE. (1.1), we mean a measurable function  $x: \Omega \to AC^1(J, R)$  that satisfies the equation in (1.1) where  $AC^1(J, R)$  is the space of real valued functions defined and absolutely continuously differentiable on J.

The RDE (1.1) is not new to the theory random differential equations. When the random parameter  $\omega$  is absent, the RDE (1.1) reduces to the classical RDE of first order ordinary differential equations (ODE),

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= f(t, x(t)) \quad a.e.t \in J, \\ x(0) &= x_0, \\ \text{where } f: J \times R \to R. \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

The classical ODE (1.2) has been studied in the literature by several authors for different aspects of the solutions. See for example, Heikkilä and Lakshikantham [7] and the references therein. In this paper, we discuss the RDE (1.1) for existence of extremal solution under suitable conditions of the non-linearity f which thereby generalize several existence results of the RDE (1.2) proved in the above papers, through non-linear alternative of Leray-Schauder type(Dhage[4,5] and an algebraic random fixed point theorem of Dhage[4] and also see D. S. Palimkar [10, 11].

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# 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1:** (*Carath'eodory*) Let  $Q: \Omega \times E \to E$  be a mapping such that Q(., x) is measurable for all  $x \in E$ and  $Q(\omega, .)$  is continuous for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Then the map  $(\omega, x) \to Q(\omega, x)$  is jointly measurable.

The following lemma is useful in the study of first order initial value problems of ordinary random differential equations via fixed point techniques.

**Lemma 2.1:** For any function  $h: J \to L^1(J, R)$ , a function  $x: J \to C^1(J, R)$  is a solution to the differential equation,

$$x'(t) = h(t)$$
 a.e.  $t \in J$ ,  
 $x(0) = q_0$ , (2.1)

if and only if it is a solution of the integral equation.

$$x(t) = q_0 + \int_0^t h(s) ds$$
 (2.2)

#### **3. EXISTENCE RESULTS**

**Definition 3.1:** A Function  $f: J \times R \times \Omega \rightarrow R$  is called random Carathe'odory, if the following conditions are satisfied:-

(i) the map  $(t, \omega) \rightarrow (t, x, \omega)$  is jointly measurable for all  $x \in R$ , and

(ii) the map  $x \to f(t, x, \omega)$  is continuous for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

**Definition 3.2:** A Carathe'odory function  $f: J \times R \times \Omega \to R$  is called random  $L^1$ -Carathe'odory, if for each real number r > 0 there is a measurable and bounded function  $h_r: \Omega \to L^1(J, R)$  such that

 $\left| f(t, x, \omega) \right| \le h_r(t, \omega)$  a.e.  $t \in J$ 

for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $x \in R$  with  $|x| \le r$ . Similarly, a Carathe'odory function f is called random  $L_R^1$ -Carath'eodory if there is a measurable and bounded function  $h: \Omega \to L^1(J, \mathbb{R})$  such that

 $|f(t, x, \omega)| \le h(t, \omega)$  a.e.  $t \in J$ for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $x \in R$ .

**Definition 3.3:** A closed set K of the Banach space E is called a cone if:

(i)  $K + K \subseteq K$ ,

(ii)  $\lambda K \subset K$  for all  $\lambda \in R_{\perp}$ , and

(iii) 
$$\{K\} \cap K = \{\theta\}$$
,

where  $\theta$  is the zero element of E. We introduce an order relation  $\leq$  in E with the help of the cone K in E as follows. Let  $x, y \in E$ , then we define

$$x \leq y \Leftrightarrow y - x \in K$$
.

A cone K in the Banach space E is called normal, if the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is semi-monotone on K i. e., if  $x, y \in K$ , then  $\|x+y\| \le \|x\| + \|y\|$ . Again a cone K is called a regular, if every non decreasing order buounded sequence in E converges in norm. The details of different types of cones and their properties appear in Deimling [3], Heikilla and Lakshmikantham [7].

**Definition 3.4:** An operator  $Q: \Omega \times E \to E$  is called non-decreasing if  $Q(\omega)x \le Q(\omega)y$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and for all  $x, y \in E$  for which  $x \le y$ .

We use the following random fixed point theorem of Dhage [4, 5] in follows.

**Theorem 3.1:** (Dhage [4]) Let  $(\Omega, A)$  be a measurable space and let[a,b] be a random order interval in the separable Banach space E.Let $Q: \Omega \times [a,b] \rightarrow [a,b]$  be a completely continuous and nondecreasing random operator. Then Q has a least fixed point  $x_*$  and a greatest random fixed point  $y^*$  in[a,b]. Moreover, the sequences  $\{Q(\omega)x_n\}$  with  $x_o = a$  and  $\{Q(\omega)y_n\}$  with  $y_o = a$  converges to  $x_*$  and  $y^*$  respectively.

We need the following definitions in the sequel.

**Definition 3.6:** A measurable function  $a: \Omega \to C(J, R)$  is called a lower random solution for the PBVP (1.1) if  $a'(t, \omega) \leq f(t, a(t, \omega), \omega)$  a.e.  $t \in J$ ,  $a(0, \omega) \leq q_0(\omega)$ ,

for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Similarly, a measurable function  $b: \Omega \to C(J, R)$  is called an upper random solution for the IVP (1.1) if  $b'(t, \omega) \ge f(t, b(t, \omega), \omega)$  a.e.  $t \in J$ ,  $b(0, \omega) \ge q_0(\omega)$ , for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Note that a random solution for the random RDE (1.1) is lower as well as upper random solution for the random RDE (1.1) defined on J.

**Definition 3.7:** A random solution  $r_M$  for the random RDE (1.1) is called maximal if for all random solutions of the random RDE (1.1), one has  $x(t, \omega) \le r_M(t, \omega)$  all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Similarly, a minimal random solution to the IVP (1.1) on J is defined.

**Definition 3.8:** A function  $f: J \times R \times \Omega \rightarrow R$  is called random non-decreasing Carathe'odory if:

(i) The map  $(t, \omega) \rightarrow f(t, x, \omega)$  is jointly measurable,

(ii) The map  $x \to f(t, x, \omega)$  is continuous and non-decreasing for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

**Definition 3.9:** A function  $f(t, x, \omega)$  is called random non-decreasing  $L^1$ -Carathe'odory if for each real number r > 0there exists a measurable function  $h_r : \Omega \to L^1(J, R)$  such that for for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  $|f(t, x, \omega)| \le h_r(t, \omega)$  a.e.  $t \in J$  for all  $x \in R$  with  $|x| \le r$ .

We consider the following set of assumptions:

(A<sub>1</sub>) The functions f is random Carathe'odory on  $J \times R \times \Omega$ .

(A<sub>2</sub>) There exists a measurable and bounded function  $\gamma : \Omega \to L^1(J, R)$  and a continuous and non-decreasing function  $\gamma : R_+ \to (0, \infty)$  such that

$$|f(t, x, \omega)| \le \gamma(t, \omega) \psi(|x|)$$
 a.e.  $t \in J$ 

for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and  $x \in R$ . Moreover, we assume that  $\int_{C}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{\psi(r)} = \infty$  for all  $C \ge 0$ 

(A<sub>3</sub>) The function f is random non-decreasing Carathe'odory on  $J \times R \times \Omega$ .

(A<sub>4</sub>) The RDE (1.1) has a lower random solution a and upper random solution b with  $a \le b$  on J.

(A<sub>5</sub>) The function  $h: J \times \Omega \to R_+$  defined by  $h(t, \omega) = |f(t, a(t, \omega), \omega)| + |f(t, b(t, \omega), \omega)|$  is Lebesgue integrable in t for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

**Remark 3.1:** If the hypotheses (A<sub>3</sub>) and (A<sub>5</sub>) hold, then for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

$$|f(t, a(t, \omega), \omega)| \le h(t, \omega)$$

for all  $t \in J$  and  $x \in [a, b]$  and the map  $\omega \to h(t, \omega)$  is measurable on  $\Omega$ .

**Remark 3.2:** Hypothesis (A<sub>3</sub>) is natural and used in several research papers on random differential and integral equations (see Dhage [4, 5] and the references given therein). Hypothesis (A<sub>4</sub>) holds, in particular, if there exist measurable functions  $u, v: \Omega \rightarrow C(J, R)$  such that for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,

 $u(t,\omega) \le f(t,x,\omega) \le v(t,\omega)$ 

for all  $t \in J$  and  $x \in R$ . In this case, the lower and upper random solutions to the random RDE(1.1) are given by

$$a(t,\omega) = q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t u(s,\omega) \, ds$$

and

$$b(t,\omega) = q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t u(t,s)v(s,\omega) \, ds$$

respectively. The details about the lower and upper random solutions for different types of random differential equations may be found in Ladde and Lakshmikantham [9]. Finally, hypothesis (A<sub>5</sub>) remains valid if the function f is  $L^1$ -Carathe'odory on  $J \times R \times \Omega$ .

**Theorem 3.2:** Assume that the hypothesis (A<sub>1</sub>), (A<sub>3</sub>) to (A<sub>5</sub>) hold. Then the RDE (1.1) has a minimal random solution  $r(\omega)$ 

and maximal random solution 
$$y^{*}(\omega)$$
 defined on  $J$ . Moreover,  
 $x_{*}(t,\omega) = \lim_{n \to \infty} x_{n}(t,\omega)$  and  $y^{*}(t,\omega) = \lim_{n \to \infty} y_{n}(t,\omega)$ 

for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ , where random sequences  $\{x_n(\omega)\}$  and  $\{y_n(\omega)\}$  are given by,

$$x_{n+1}(t,\omega) = q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t x_n(s,\omega), \omega \, ds \, , n \ge 0 \quad \text{with } x_0 = a$$

and

$$y_{n+1}(t,\omega) = q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t y_n(s,\omega), \omega \, ds \, , n \ge 0 \quad \text{with } y_0 = b,$$
  
for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega_{-}$ .

**Proof:** Set E = C(J, R) and define a mapping  $Q : \Omega \times [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  by  $Q(\omega)x(t) = q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s, \omega), \omega) \, ds$  (3.1) for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Now the map  $t \to q_0(\omega)$  is continuous for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Again, as the indefinite integral is continuous on J,  $Q(\omega)$  defines a mapping  $Q: \Omega \times [a,b] \to [a,b]$ .

We show that Q satisfies all the conditions of Theorem 3.1 on [a,b].

First, we show that Q is random operator on E. Since  $f(t, x, \omega)$  is random Carathe'odory, the map  $\omega \to f(t, x, \omega)$  is measurable in view of Theorem 2.1 Similarly, the product  $f(s, x(s, \omega), \omega)$  of a continuous and a measurable function is again measurable. Further, the integral is a limit of a finite sum of measurable functions, therefore, the map

$$\omega \to q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s, \omega), \omega) \, ds = Q(\omega) x(t) \quad \text{is measurable. As a result, } Q \text{ is a random operator on} \\ Q: \Omega \times [a, b] \to [a, b].$$

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Then, it is random non-decreasing  $L^1$ -Carathe'odory. First, we show that  $Q(\omega)$  is non-decreasing on [a,b].Let  $x, y: \Omega \to [a,b]$  be arbitrary such that  $x \le y$  on  $\Omega$ .Then,

$$Q(\omega)x(t) \le q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s, x(s, \omega)) ds$$
$$\le q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s, y(s, \omega)) ds$$
$$\le Q(\omega)y(t)$$

for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . As a result,  $Q(\omega)x \leq Q(\omega)y$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$  and that Q is non-decreasing random operator on [a,b].

Secondly, by hypothesis  $(H_4)$ 

$$a(t,\omega) \leq Q(\omega)a(t)$$
  

$$\leq q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s,a(s,\omega)) ds$$
  

$$\leq q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s,x(s,\omega)) ds$$
  

$$\leq Q(\omega)x(t)$$
  

$$\leq Q(\omega)b(t)$$
  

$$\leq q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t f(s,b(s,\omega)) ds$$
  

$$\leq b(t,\omega)$$

for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . As a result Q defines random operator  $Q : \Omega \times [a,b] \rightarrow [a,b]$ .

Next, since  $(A_5)$  holds, the hypothesis  $(A_2)$  is satisfied with  $\gamma(t, \omega) = h(t, \omega)$  for all  $(t, \omega) \in J \times \Omega$  and  $\psi(r) = 1$  for all real number  $r \ge 0$ . Now , we show that the random operator  $Q(\omega)$  is completely continuous on [a,b] in to itself.

Let *B* be a bounded subset of [a,b], then there is real number r > 0 such that  $||x|| \le r$  for all  $x \in B$ . Next, we show that the random operator  $Q(\omega)$  is continuous on *B*. let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of points in *B* converging to the point  $x \in B$ . Then it is enough to prove that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} Q(\omega) x_n(t) = Q(\omega) x(t)$  for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . By the dominated convergence theorem, we obtain,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Q(\omega) x_n(t) = q_0(\omega) + \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_0^t f(s, x_n(s, \omega), \omega) ds$$
$$= q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t \lim_{n \to \infty} [f(s, x_n(s, \omega), \omega)] ds$$
$$= q_0(\omega) + \int_0^t [f(s, x(s, \omega), \omega)] ds$$
$$= Q(\omega) x(t)$$

for all  $t \in J$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . This shows that  $Q(\omega)$  is a continuous random operator on [a, b].

Now, we show that  $Q(\omega)$  is a totally bounded random operator on [a,b]. We prove that  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is a totally bounded subset of [a,b] for each bounded subset B of [a,b]. To finish, it is enough to prove that  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is a

uniformly bounded and equi-continuous set in E for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Since the map  $\omega \to \gamma(t, \omega)$  is bounded, by hypothesis (A<sub>1</sub>), there is a constant c such that  $\|\gamma(\omega)\|_{L^1} \leq c$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Let  $\omega \in \Omega$  be fixed. Then for any  $x: \Omega \to B$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} \left| Q(\omega)x(t) \right| &\leq \left| q_0(\omega) \right| + \int_0^t \left| f\left( s, x(s, \omega), \omega \right) \right| ds \\ &\leq \left| q_0(\omega) \right| + \int_0^t \gamma(s, \omega) \psi\left( \left| x(s, \omega) \right| \right) ds \\ &\leq Q_0 + \int_0^T \gamma(s, \omega) \psi\left( \left\| x(s, \omega) \right\| \right) ds \\ &\leq Q_0 + \int_0^T \gamma(s, \omega) \psi(r) ds \\ &\leq Q_0 + \left\| \gamma(\omega) \right\|_{L^1} \psi(r) \\ &\leq K_1, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $t \in J$ , where  $K_1 = Q_0 + c\psi(r)$ . This shows that  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is a uniformly bounded subset of [a, b] for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Next, we show that  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is an equi-continuous set in [a,b]. Let  $x \in B$  be arbitrary. Then, for any  $t_1, t_2 \in J$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} \left| Q(\omega)x(t_1) - Q(\omega)x(t_2) \right| &\leq \left| \int_0^{t_1} f\left(s, x(s, \omega), \omega\right) ds - \int_0^{t_2} f\left(s, x(s, \omega), \omega\right) ds \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_0^T f\left(s, x(s, \omega), \omega\right) ds \right| + \left| \int_{t_2}^{t_1} f\left(s, x(s, \omega), \omega\right) ds \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^T \gamma(s, \omega) \psi \left| x(s, \omega) \right| ds + \int_{t_2}^{t_1} \gamma(s, \omega) \psi \left| x(s, \omega) \right| ds \\ &\leq \left\| \gamma(\omega) \right\|_{L^1} \psi(r) + \left| p(t_1, \omega) - p(t_2, \omega) \right| \\ &\leq c \psi(r) + \left| p(t_1, \omega) - p(t_2, \omega) \right| \end{aligned}$$
(3.2)

for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , where  $p(t, \omega) = \int_{0}^{1} \gamma(s, \omega) \psi(r) ds$ .

Hence, for all  $t_1, t_2 \in J$ ,

$$|Q(\omega)x(t_1) - Q(\omega)x(t_2)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t_1 \rightarrow t_2,$$

uniformly for all  $x \in B$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Therefore,  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is an equi-continuous set in [a,b]. As  $Q(\omega)(B)$  is uniformly bounded and equi-continuous, it is compact by the Arzela-Ascolli theorem for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Consequently,  $Q(\omega)$  is a completely continuous random operator on  $B_{\perp}$ .

Thus, the random operator  $Q(\omega)$  satisfied all the conditions of Theorem3.1and so the random operator equation  $Q(\omega)x = x(\omega)$  has a least and a greatest random solution in [a,b]

Consequently, the RDE(1.1) has a minimal and a maximal random solution defined on J

This completes the proof.

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