

## STRATONOVICH STOCHASTIC INCLUSION

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**ABSTRACT.** The purpose of the paper is to investigate the existence of strong solutions for the Stratonovich type stochastic inclusion with maximal monotone and upper separated set-valued functions.

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### 1. PRELIMINARIES

The purpose of the paper is to prove the existence of strong solutions for the following Stratonovich type stochastic inclusion with maximal monotone  $A$  and upper separated set-valued functions  $F$  and  $G$ :

$$x(t) \in x(0) + \int_0^t F(x(s)) \circ dz(s) + \int_0^t G(x(s)) da(s) - \int_0^t A(x(s)) d[m, m](s),$$

where  $z$  is a continuous semimartingale,  $[m, m]$  is a quadratic variation process of a local continuous martingale part of a semimartingale  $z$  and  $a$  is a continuous finite variation process. Let us notice that classical existence results dealing with the Stratonovich type stochastic equation require  $C^2$ -regularity of coefficients (see e.g., [6]). J. San Martin in [7] considered the single dimensional Stratonovich equation with coefficients taken from the class of uniformly antiderivative functions (*UAD*). M. Michta and J. Motyl in [3] introduced the concept of upper separated set-valued functions and proved the existence of solutions to the following inclusion:

$$x(t) \in x(0) + \int_0^t F(x(s)) \circ dz(s) + \int_0^t G(x(s)) da(s)$$

with set-valued functions  $F, G$  taking their values in  $Comp\mathbb{R}$ , the space of nonempty, compact and convex subsets of reals. On the other hand, R. Petterson in [4] proved the existence of solutions to the inclusion of the type:

$$x(t) \in x(0) + \int_0^t b(s, x(s)) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, x(s)) dB(s) - \int_0^t A(x(s)) ds$$

with  $b, \sigma$  being Lipschitz and single valued functions and  $A$ -maximal monotone set-valued operator. The inclusion considered in the paper generalizes results obtained in [7] and [3] in the direction inspired by [4].

## 2. UPPER SEPARATED SET-VALUED FUNCTIONS

The paper is devoted the investigation of the existence of strong solutions of the Stratonovich stochastic inclusion. To this end, it is essential to define first a set-valued Stratonovich integral. We describe the class of upper separated set-valued functions for which a set-valued Stratonovich integral is well defined

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $F$  be a set-valued function from  $\mathbb{R}$  into nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ . We define upper and lower bounds of  $F$  by the following formulas

$$U_F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad U_F(x) = \sup\{b_1 : b_1 \in F(x)\}$$

$$L_F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad L_F(x) = \inf\{b_2 : b_2 \in F(x)\}.$$

We say that  $F$  is upper separated if for every  $x$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a hyperplane  $H_{x,\epsilon}$  strongly separating a point  $(x, L_F(x) - \epsilon)$  from the set  $Epi(U_F) = \{(x, b) \in X \times \mathbb{R} : U_F(x) \leq b\}$ .

Let  $Comp\mathbb{R}$  denote a space of all nonempty compact and convex subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** *The upper separated set-valued function  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow Comp\mathbb{R}$  admits a convex and locally Lipschitz selection.*

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.4 of [3] the upper separated set-valued function  $F$  admits a convex selection  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Let us notice that such  $f$  is continuous ([5] Proposition 1.19). By Proposition 1.6 of [5] it follows that a convex and continuous function is locally Lipschitz.  $\square$

We will give one more useful property of a convex selection of an upper separated set-valued function. In order to do that we define the following class of functions.

**Definition 2.3.** ([2]) A function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  belongs to the antiderivative class ( $AD$ ) if  $f$  is absolutely continuous and  $f'$  admits a càdlàg version, that is  $f' = h \, dx - a.e.$ , for some

$$h \in D = \{h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : h \text{ is right continuous with left limits}\}.$$

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow Comp\mathbb{R}$  be an upper separated set-valued function. Then it admits a selection  $f \in AD$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.2 of [7] it suffices to show that  $f$  is continuous and its right derivative is càdlàg. The upper separated set-valued function  $F$  admits a convex and continuous selection  $f$ . Convexity of the selection  $f$  provides that the right derivative of  $f$  is càdlàg by [5, Th. 1.16].  $\square$

## 3. SET-VALUED INTEGRALS

Let  $I = [0, T]$  and let  $(\Omega, \mathbf{F}, \{\mathbf{F}_t\}_{t \in I}, P)$  be a complete filtered probability space satisfying the usual hypothesis, i.e.,  $\{\mathbf{F}_t\}_{t \in I}$  is an increasing and right continuous family of  $\sigma$ -subalgebras of  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{F}_0$  contains all  $P$ -null sets. The stochastic process  $x$  is  $\{\mathbf{F}_t\}_{t \in I}$ -adapted or shortly adapted if  $x(t)$  is  $\mathbf{F}_t$ -measurable for each  $t \in I$ . A stochastic process  $x$  is called *cádlág* if its almost all sample paths are right continuous, with left limits. A stochastic adapted and *cádlág* process  $x$  is called a continuous semimartingale, if it can be decomposed into a sum  $x = m + v$ , where  $m$  is a continuous local martingale with respect to  $\{\mathbf{F}_t\}_{t \in I}$  while  $v$  is a continuous  $FV$ -process, i.e., an adapted process with paths of a finite variation.

We define set-valued integrals, which will be used in the next Section.

**Definition 3.1.** Let a set-valued function  $G : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Comp}\mathbb{R}$  be given. For a given semimartingale  $x$  and an  $FV$ -process  $a$  we denote by  $S(G \circ x, da)$  the set of  $a$ -integrable selections of  $G \circ x$ , i.e.,

$$S(G \circ x, da) := \{h : h(s) \in G(x(s)), \quad s \in I, \quad a.s., \\ \text{and } \int_0^T |h(s)| |da(s)| < \infty\}.$$

If the set  $S(G \circ x, da)$  is nonempty, we define the set-valued integral

$$\int_0^t G(x(s)) da(s) = \left\{ \int_0^t h(s) da(s) : h \in S(G \circ x, da) \right\}.$$

**Remark 3.2.** If a set-valued function  $G$  is upper separated,  $x$  is a continuous semimartingale and  $a$  is a continuous  $FV$ -process, it follows from Proposition 2.2 that the set  $S(G \circ x, da)$  is nonempty.

**Definition 3.3.** A set-valued function  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}}$  is maximal monotone if

$$\forall s, t \in I \quad \forall u \in A(s), v \in A(t) \quad (u - v)(s - t) \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Range}(Id + A) = \mathbb{R},$$

where  $Id$  denotes the identity operator. By  $A^0(x)$  we denote the minimal norm element from the set  $A(x)$ .

Let  $x = m + v$  be a continuous semimartingale.

**Remark 3.4.** Since  $h(s) = A^0(x(s))$  is a composition of a nondecreasing function  $A^0(\cdot)$  and continuous function  $x(\cdot, \omega)$  on  $I$  we deduce that the set

$$S(A \circ x, d[m, m]) := \{h : h(s) \in A(x(s)), \quad s \in I, \quad a.s., \\ \text{and } \int_0^t |h(s)| d[m, m](s) < \infty \text{ for each } t \in I\}$$

is nonempty.

The single valued Stratonovich integral of a semimartingale  $h$  with respect to a continuous semimartingale  $z$  is meant as

$$\int_0^t h(s) \circ dz(s) = \int_0^t h(s)_- dz(s) + \frac{1}{2}[h, z]^c(t),$$

where  $[h, z]^c(t)$  denotes the path by path continuous part of  $[h, z]$ . Now we are able to define a set-valued Stratonovich integral.

**Definition 3.5.** Let a set-valued function  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Conv}\mathbb{R}$  be given. For a continuous semimartingale  $x$  we denote by  $S(F \circ x, dz)$  the set of Stratonovich integrable selections of  $F \circ x$ , i.e.,

$$S(F \circ x, dz) = \{h : h(s) \in F(x(s)), \quad s \in I, \text{ a.s.},$$

$$\text{and } \int_0^t h(s) \circ dz(s) < \infty \text{ for each } t \in I\}.$$

If the set  $S(F \circ x, dz)$  is nonempty, we define the set-valued integral

$$\int_0^t F(x(s)) \circ dz(s) = \left\{ \int_0^t h(s) \circ dz(s) : h \in S(F \circ x, dz) \right\}.$$

**Remark 3.6.** Let us notice that an upper separated set-valued function  $F$  admits a convex selection  $f$  by Proposition 2.2. Since convex functions preserve semimartingales (e.g., [6, Th. IV.47]), then  $h(s) = f(x(s))$  is a semimartingale, too. Therefore, the set  $S(F \circ x, dz)$  is nonempty and  $\int_0^t F(x(s)) \circ dz(s)$  is well defined.

#### 4. STOCHASTIC STRATONOVICH INCLUSION

We prove the existence of strong solutions to the Stratonovich stochastic inclusion related to set-valued stochastic integrals defined in the previous section.

Let set-valued functions  $F, G : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Comp}\mathbb{R}$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Conv}\mathbb{R}$ , continuous semimartingales  $x$  and  $z$ , a continuous FV-process  $a$  and  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  be given. Let  $[m, m]$  denote a quadratic variation process of a local martingale part of  $z$ .

**Definition 4.1.** By the Stratonovich stochastic inclusion we denote the following relation

$$(SI) \quad x(t) \in x_0 + \int_0^t F(x(s)) \circ dz(s) + \int_0^t G(x(s)) da(s) - \int_0^t A(x(s)) d[m, m](s)$$

and we say that process  $x$  is a strong solution to the inclusion **(SI)** up to explosion time  $\tilde{T} \leq T$  if there exist  $f \in S(F \circ x, dz)$ ,  $g \in S(G \circ x, da)$ ,  $h \in S(A \circ x, d[m, m])$  and  $x$  is a continuous semimartingale satisfying

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f(s) dz(s) + \frac{1}{2}[f, z](t) + \int_0^t g(s) da(s) - \int_0^t h(s) d[m, m](s)$$

for every  $t \in [0, \tilde{T}]$  a.s.

Let us mention that upper separated set-valued functions need not satisfy the linear growth condition. Therefore, one can expect that solutions of inclusion (SI) may have explosions. Recall, a stopping time  $\tilde{T}$  is an explosion time for a solution process  $x$  if  $x$  is a solution to inclusion (SI) on  $[0, \tilde{T})$ ,  $x(\tilde{T}) = +\infty$  P.1 on  $\{\tilde{T} \leq T\}$  and  $\tilde{T} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n$ , where  $T_n := \inf\{t \in [0, T] : |x(t)| > n\}$ , for  $n \geq 1$ . If  $P(\tilde{T} > T) = 1$ , then a process  $x$  is a nonexploding solution of a Stratonovich inclusion.

For convenience of the reader we recall definitions and lemmas, which will be used in the proof of our main result.

**Definition 4.2** ([1]). Let  $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be arbitrary functions. We denote  $f <^* g$  if for all  $x$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $|x - y| < \delta$  and  $|x - y'| < \delta$ , then  $f(y) \leq g(y')$ .

**Lemma 4.3** ([7, Lemma 4.6]). Let  $m$  be a continuous local martingale and let  $a$  be a continuous, FV-process. Assume  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is locally bounded and satisfies

$$\forall \Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{R} \text{ compact} \quad \sup_{(x,y) \in \Lambda \times \Lambda, x \neq y} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|} < \infty.$$

Let  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  be locally bounded and satisfy  $h_1 <^* h_2$ . If  $x_i(t)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  are solutions of

$$x_i(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f(x_i(s))dm(s) + \int_0^t h_i(x_i(s))da(s),$$

then  $x_1(t) \leq x_2(t)$  for all  $t \in I$  a.s.

**Definition 4.4.** Process  $x$  is called a minimal solution of a stochastic equation, if any other solution  $y$  of the equation satisfies  $x(t) \leq y(t)$  for all  $t \in I$  a.s.

**Lemma 4.5** ([7, Lemma 4.12]). Let  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a lower semicontinuous function bounded by  $M$ . Then if  $h_n(x) = \inf_y \{h(y) + n|x - y|\} - \frac{1}{2^n}$ , we have the following:

- 1°  $\forall x, n \ |h_n(x)| \leq M + 1$ .
- 2°  $h_n(x) \nearrow h(x)$ .
- 3°  $\forall x, y \ |h_n(x) - h_n(y)| \leq n|x - y|$ .
- 4°  $h_n <^* h_{n+1}$
- 5° If  $h$  is continuous at  $x$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $h_n(x_n) \rightarrow h(x)$ .

Now, we are ready to prove the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $z$  be a continuous adapted semimartingale,  $[m, m]$  be a quadratic variation process of a local martingale part of  $z$  and let “ $a$ ” be a continuous, FV-process. Let  $F, G : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Comp}\mathbb{R}^1$  be upper separated set-valued functions and let  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Conv}\mathbb{R}$  be a maximal monotone set-valued function. Then, there exists a strong solution up to explosion time to Stratonovich stochastic inclusion (SI).

*Proof.* Step 1: By Proposition 2.2 there exist convex and continuous selections  $f$  and  $g$  for set-valued functions  $F$  and  $G$  respectively. Additionally, by Proposition 2.4 we know that  $f \in AD$ . From properties of a maximal monotone set-valued function it follows that a set  $A(x)$  is closed and convex for each  $x$ . Hence there exists the unique minimal norm element  $A^0(x)$  in the set  $A(x)$ . This implies that a càdlàg version of a nondecreasing function  $A^0(\cdot)$  (denoted also by  $A^0$ ) is also a selection of a set-valued function  $A$ . For the existence of solutions we need the Lipschitz and boundedness property. Let

$$f_k(u) := \begin{cases} f(u), & u \in [-k, k] \\ f(k), & u > k \\ f(-k), & u < -k \end{cases}$$

and

$$(A^0)_k(u) := \begin{cases} A^0(u), & u \in [-k, k] \\ A^0(k), & u > k \\ A^0(-k), & u < -k \end{cases},$$

for  $k \geq 1$ . Similarly, a function  $g_k$  is defined. By Proposition 2.2 functions  $f$  and  $g$  are convex and locally Lipschitz. Therefore, functions  $f_k$  and  $g_k$  are globally Lipschitz. Since  $f \in AD$ , the derivative of  $f$  admits a càdlàg version. We denote by  $f'_k$  the following function

$$f'_k(u) := \begin{cases} f'(u), & u \in [-k, k) \\ 0, & u < -k \text{ lub } u \geq k \end{cases}$$

Since the derivative  $f'_k$  coincides on the interval  $[-k, k)$  with the right derivative of a function  $f$ , by the proof of Proposition 2.4 it turns out that  $f'_k$  is a càdlàg function. Additionally, the convexity of a function  $f$  implies that its right derivative is a nondecreasing function. It means that  $f'_k$  is a nondecreasing and right continuous function on  $[-k, k)$ . Thus and from the fact that  $f'_k$  is equal to zero outside  $[-k, k)$  we deduce that  $f'_k$  is a globally bounded function. We will prove that for every fixed  $k \geq 1$  there exists a unique minimal strong solution  $\underline{x}_k$  to the equation

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_k(x(s))dz(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f'_k(x(s))f_k(x(s))d[z, z](s) \\ + \int_0^t g_k(x(s))da(s) - \int_0^t (A^0)_k(x(s))d[m, m](s), \end{aligned}$$

which is also a solution to the equation

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_k(x(s))dz(s) + \frac{1}{2}[f_k(x), z](t) \\ + \int_0^t g_k(x(s))da(s) - \int_0^t (A^0)_k(x(s))d[m, m](s). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $z = m + v$  is the canonical decomposition of  $z$  into a local continuous martingale  $m$  and a continuous FV-process  $v$ , then equation (4.1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = x_0 &+ \int_0^t f_k(x(s)) dm(s) + \int_0^t f_k(x(s)) dv(s) + \int_0^t g_k(x(s)) da(s) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f'_k(x(s)) f_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s) + \int_0^t -(A^0)_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s). \end{aligned}$$

Since its second and third components have similar properties i.e.,  $\pm f_k$  and  $\pm g_k$  are Lipschitz and bounded while  $v$  and  $a$  are continuous FV-processes, we will consider them in the same manner. Therefore, we can restrict our study to the following equation

$$\begin{aligned} (4.2) \quad x(t) = x_0 &+ \int_0^t f_k(x(s)) dm(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f'_k(x(s)) f_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &+ \int_0^t b_k(x(s)) du(s) + \int_0^t -(A^0)_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s), \end{aligned}$$

with a continuous increasing and adapted process  $u$ , and Lipschitz and bounded function  $b_k$ . Let us notice that coefficients  $f'_k(x(s)) f_k(x(s))$  and  $-(A^0)_k(x(s))$  need not be Lipschitz. However, using Lemma 4.5 which holds true for lower semicontinuous and bounded functions we can prove the existence of a unique and strong solution to equation (4.2). Since  $f'_k(x(s)) f_k(x(s))$  are not lower semicontinuous we need to define the following version of the derivative of  $f_k$

$$\tilde{f}'_k(x) = \begin{cases} f'_k(x-) \wedge f'_k(x), & \text{if } f_k(x) \geq 0 \\ f'_k(x-) \vee f'_k(x), & \text{if } f_k(x) < 0. \end{cases}$$

Let us denote  $\rho_k(x) = \frac{1}{2} f_k(x) \tilde{f}'_k(x)$ . The function  $\rho_k$  is lower semicontinuous and moreover,  $\liminf_{y \rightarrow x} \rho_k(y) = \rho_k(x)$ . The nonincreasing function  $-(A^0)_k$  is also lower semicontinuous because it is càdlàg and moreover,

$$\liminf_{y \rightarrow x} (-(A^0)_k(y)) = \lim_{y \downarrow x} (-(A^0)_k(y)) = (-(A^0)_k(x)).$$

Step 2: We will prove that the equation

$$\begin{aligned} (4.3) \quad x(t) = x_0 &+ \int_0^t f_k(x(s)) dm(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \tilde{f}'_k(x(s)) f_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &+ \int_0^t b_k(x(s)) du(s) + \int_0^t -(A^0)_k(x(s)) d[m, m](s), \end{aligned}$$

possesses a unique minimal solution. For this we adapt the method used by J. San Martin in [7]. Without any loss of generality we assume additionally that  $[m, m]$  is uniformly bounded by some constant  $C$ . This condition can be easily relaxed by the usual localization method. Let us consider the following functions:

$$\rho_k^r(x) = \inf_y \{ \rho_k(y) + r|x - y| \} - 2^{-r}$$

$$b_k^r(x) = \inf_y \{b_k(y) + r|x - y|\} - 2^{-r}$$

$$A_k^r(x) = \inf_y \{(-(A^0)_k(y)) + r|x - y|\} - 2^{-r}.$$

Since functions  $f_k$ ,  $b_k$ , and  $-(A^0)_k$  are globally bounded, then there exists a constant also denoted by  $C$ , which bounds all of them. Therefore,  $\rho_k \leq \frac{1}{2}C^2$ . Since these functions are lower semicontinuous, then by Lemma 4.5 we deduce

$$1^\circ \forall x \in R \quad |\rho_k^r(x)| \leq C_1, \quad |b_k^r(x)| \leq C_1 \text{ and } |A_k^r(x)| \leq C_1, \text{ where } C_1 = (\frac{1}{2}C^2 \vee C) + 1.$$

$$2^\circ \rho_k^r(\cdot) \nearrow \rho_k(\cdot), \quad b_k^r(\cdot) \nearrow b_k(\cdot), \quad A_k^r(\cdot) \nearrow (-(A^0)_k(\cdot)), \text{ with } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$3^\circ \rho_k^r, \quad b_k^r \text{ i } A_k^r \text{ are Lipschitz with constant } r.$$

$$4^\circ \rho_k^r <^* \rho_k^{r+1}, \quad b_k^r <^* b_k^{r+1}, \quad A_k^r <^* A_k^{r+1}.$$

$$5^\circ \text{ If } \rho_k \text{ and } -(A^0)_k \text{ are continuous at some point } p \text{ and } x_r \rightarrow p, \text{ then } \rho_k^r(x_r) \rightarrow \rho_k(p) \\ \text{ and } A_k^r(x_r) \rightarrow (-(A^0)_k(p)), \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty, \text{ each } k = 1, 2, \dots$$

For each  $r = 1, 2, \dots$  we consider the equation

$$(4.4) \quad y(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_k(y(s))dm(s) + \int_0^t b_k^r(y(s))du(s) \\ + \int_0^t \rho_k^r(y(s))d[m, m](s) + \int_0^t A_k^r(y(s))d[m, m]s.$$

Since all coefficients of (4.4) are Lipschitz, this equation has a unique, strong solution  $y_k^r(t)$ . The sequence of solutions to equations (4.4) is increasing in  $r$  for every fixed  $k$  and  $t \in [0, T]$  a.s. by Lemma 4.3.

Let  $\underline{x}_k(t) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} y_k^r(t) \leq \infty$ . We claim that  $\underline{x}_k(t) < \infty$ . Really, let us take a process  $z_k^r(t) = y_k^r(t) - x_0$ , which for every fixed  $t \in [0, T]$  is also increasing in  $r$ . Using the Doob's inequality and estimating separately coefficients of 4.4 we obtain

$$E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s))dm(s) \right|^2 \right) \leq 4E \left( \int_0^T |f_k(y_k^r(s))|^2 d[m, m](s) \right) \leq 4C^3$$

$$E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t \rho_k^r(y_k^r(s))d[m, m](s) \right|^2 \right) \leq (C_1)^2 C^2,$$

$$E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t A_k^r(y_k^r(s))d[m, m](s) \right|^2 \right) \leq (C_1)^2 C^2$$

$$E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t b_k^r(y_k^r(s))da(s) \right|^2 \right) \leq (C_1)^2 |u(T) - u(0)|^2 \leq (C_1)^2 C^2.$$

Moreover,

$$E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |z_k^r(t)|^2 \right) = E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s))dm(s) + \int_0^t b_k^r(y_k^r(s))du(s) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \int_0^t \rho_k^r(y_k^r(s))d[m, m](s) + \int_0^t A_k^r(y_k^r(s))d[m, m](s) \right|^2 \right) \leq C_2$$



where  $C_2 = 4(4C^3 + 3(C_1)^2C^2)$  does not depend on  $r$ . By the Dominated Convergence Theorem we conclude

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |z_k^r(t)|^2 \right) = E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} [(\underline{x}_k(t) - x_0) \vee 0]^2 \right) \leq C_2 < \infty.$$

Thus  $\underline{x}_k(t)$  is finite a.s. for every fixed  $t \in [0, T]$ . To show that  $\underline{x}_k(t)$  is a solution to equation (4.3) we have to prove that for each fixed  $k$

- (a)  $\int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s)) dm(s) \rightarrow \int_0^t f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) dm(s)$
- (b)  $\int_0^t b_k^r(y_k^r(s)) du(s) \rightarrow \int_0^t b_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) du(s)$
- (c)  $\int_0^t \rho_k^r(y_k^r(s)) d[m, m](s) \rightarrow \int_0^t \rho_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s)$
- (d)  $\int_0^t A_k^r(y_k^r(s)) d[m, m](s) \rightarrow \int_0^t (-(A^0)_k(\underline{x}_k(s))) d[m, m](s),$

where the convergence is meant in the sense of ucp as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $f_k$  is uniformly continuous and for every fixed  $t \in [0, T]$   $y_k^r(t) \rightarrow \underline{x}_k(t)$ , then by the property 5° of Lemma 4.5 we get  $f_k(y_k^r(s)) \rightarrow f_k(\underline{x}_k(s))$ , as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . Using again the Doob's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s)) dm(s) - \int_0^t f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) dm(s) \right|^2 \right) \\ & \leq 4E \int_0^T |f_k(y_k^r(s)) - f_k(\underline{x}_k(s))|^2 d[m, m](s) \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for some subsequence of  $(y_k^r(s))_{r \geq 1}$ , again denoted by  $(y_k^r(s))_{r \geq 1}$ , we get

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s)) dm(s) - \int_0^t f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) dm(s) \right| \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t [b_k^r(y_k^r(s)) - b_k(\underline{x}_k(s))] du(s) \right| \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Conditions (c) and (d) are still left to be proved. Thus one should show that

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \rho_k^r(y_k^r(s)) \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} \rho_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) \\ & A_k^r(y_k^r(s)) \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} (-(A^0)_k(\underline{x}_k(s))) \end{aligned}$$

a.e. relative to the random measure  $\mu$  associated with  $[m, m]$ . The above is clear only for points of continuity of  $\rho_k$  and  $-(A^0)_k$  respectively. Let us denote

$$\begin{aligned} y_k^r(t) &= x(0) + \int_0^t f_k(y_k^r(s)) dm(s) + \int_0^t b_k^r(y_k^r(s)) du(s) \\ &+ \int_0^t [\rho_k^r(y_k^r(s)) + A_k^r(y_k^r(s))] d[m, m](s) = x(0) + S_1 + S_2 + S_3 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $y_k^r$ ,  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are convergent, so  $S_3$  also has to converge. Let us denote its limit by  $l(t)$ . Hence for  $t < t'$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} |l(t) - l(t')| &\leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left( \int_t^{t'} (|\rho_k^r(y_k^r(s))| + |A_k^r(y_k^r(s))|) d[m, m](s) \right) \\ &\leq 2C_1 | [m, m](t) - [m, m](t') |. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $l(t)$  is continuous and has paths of finite variation. We have shown that

$$(4.6) \quad \underline{x}_k(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) dm(s) + \int_0^t b_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) du(s) + l(t)$$

Thus  $\underline{x}_k(t)$  is a continuous semimartingale. Since  $y_k^r(t)$  and  $\underline{x}_k(t)$  are continuous and  $y_k^r(t)$  is an increasing in  $r$  and convergent to  $\underline{x}_k(t)$  for every fixed  $t$ , then by the Dini's theorem we conclude that for every  $\omega$ ,  $y_k^r(t) \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} \underline{x}_k(t)$  uniformly on compact sets. Denote by  $D_1$  a set of points, in which a function  $\rho_k$  is discontinuous. Let us notice that  $\mu(D_1) = 0$  because  $D_1$  (with  $\mu$  taken as a measure on  $s$ ) coincides with the set of points of discontinuity of a càdlàg function  $f_k^l$ . Let  $D_2$  denotes the set of points of discontinuity of a function  $(A^0)_k$ . Since  $(A^0)_k$  is monotone on  $[-k, k]$  and constant outside this interval, then  $\mu(D_2) = 0$ . Let  $D = D_1 \cup D_2$ . For  $\alpha > 0$  we define sets

$$D^\alpha = \{x : (\rho_k(x) \text{ or } (A^0)_k(x) \text{ are discontinuous}) \text{ and } |f_k(x)| \geq \alpha > 0\}.$$

Let us note that  $D = \bigcup_{\alpha > 0} D^\alpha$  is a set of points of discontinuity of functions  $\rho_k$  or  $(A^0)_k$ , for which  $f_k \neq 0$ . Since  $D^\alpha \subset D$ , then  $\mu(D^\alpha) = 0$ . To verify conditions (4.5) we will show that  $P\{\omega : \mu\{s : \underline{x}_k(s) \in D\} = 0\} = 1$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} I &= E \left( \int_0^t 1_{D^\alpha}(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \right) \\ &\leq E \left( \int_0^t 1_{D^\alpha}(\underline{x}_k(s)) \alpha^{-2} f_k^2(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \right). \end{aligned}$$

By properties of the quadratic covariation process ([6, Th. II.29]Th.II.29) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [\underline{x}_k, m](s) &= [x_0 + \int_0^\cdot f_k(\underline{x}_k(q)) dm(q) + \int_0^\cdot b_k(\underline{x}_k(q)) du(q) + l(\cdot), m](s) \\ &= \left[ \int_0^\cdot f_k(\underline{x}_k(q)) dm(q), m \right](s) = \int_0^s f_k(\underline{x}_k(q)) d[m, m](q). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d[\underline{x}_k, m](s) = f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s)$ . Then

$$I \leq \alpha^{-2} E \left( \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \int_0^t 1_{D^\alpha}(\underline{x}_k(s)) f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[\underline{x}_k, m](s) \right),$$

where  $1_A$  denotes a characteristic function of the set  $A$ . Using the Kunita-Watanabe inequality ([6, Th. II.25]) we get

$$\begin{aligned} I &\leq \alpha^{-2} E \left( \left( \int_0^T d[m, m](s) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^T 1_{D^\alpha}(\underline{x}_k(s)) f_k^2(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[\underline{x}_k, \underline{x}_k](s) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\ &\leq C^{\frac{1}{2}} \alpha^{-2} E \left( \int_0^T 1_{D^\alpha}(\underline{x}_k(s)) f_k^2(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[\underline{x}_k, \underline{x}_k](s) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Corollary 1 to Theorem IV.51 of [6] we obtain

$$I \leq C^{\frac{1}{2}} \alpha^{-2} E \left( \int_R \int_0^T 1_{D^\alpha}(q) f_k^2(q) L(q, ds) dq \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where  $L(p, s) = L_s^p(\underline{x}_k)$  is the local time of the process  $\underline{x}_k$ . Considering a global boundedness of a function  $f_k$  we get

$$I \leq C^{\frac{3}{2}} \alpha^{-2} E \left( \int_R \int_0^T 1_{D^\alpha}(q) L(q, ds) dq \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq C^{\frac{3}{2}} \alpha^{-2} E \left( \int_R \int_0^T 1_D(q) L(q, ds) dq \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Since the set  $\mu(D) = 0$ , then

$$\int_R \int_0^T 1_D(q) L(q, ds) dq = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Therefore,  $I = 0$  a.e. In particular  $P\{\omega : \mu\{s : \underline{x}_k(s) \in D^\alpha\} = 0\} = 1$ . Thus  $P\{\omega : \mu\{s : \underline{x}_k(s) \in D\} = 0\} = 1$ . Let us denote by  $D^c$  a complement of the set  $D$ . The functions  $\rho_k$  and  $-(A^0)_k$  are continuous on  $D^c$ . Therefore, there exists a set  $B \in F$ ,  $P(B) = 1$  such that for every  $\omega \in B$

$$\rho_k^r(y_k^r(s)) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \rho_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) \quad d\mu(s)\text{-a.e.}$$

and

$$A^r(y_k^r(s)) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} (-(A^0)_k(\underline{x}_k(s))) \quad d\mu(s)\text{-a.e.}$$

By the Dominated Convergence Theorem we obtain the convergence property of integrals

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \rho_k^r(y^r(s)) d[m, m](s) &\rightarrow \int_0^t \rho_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ \int_0^t A_k^r(y^r(s)) d[m, m](s) &\rightarrow \int_0^t (-(A^0)_k(\underline{x}_k(s))) d[m, m](s). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have proved that  $\underline{x}_k$  is a solution to equation (4.3).

Step 3: Now we will prove that  $\underline{x}_k$  is a unique minimal solution to equation (4.2). Let us claim that

$$J(t) = \left| \int_0^t f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) \widetilde{f}'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) - f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) f'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \right| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Really, similarly as in the step 2 we get

$$\begin{aligned} J(t) &= \left| \int_0^t \tilde{f}'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) - f'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[\underline{x}_k, m](s) \right| \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^t d[m, m](s) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_0^t (\tilde{f}'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) - f'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)))^2 d[\underline{x}_k, \underline{x}_k](s) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using again Corollary 1 to Theorem IV.51 of [6] we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} J(t) &\leq ([m, m](t))^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_R \int_0^t 1_D(q) |\tilde{f}'_k(q) - f'_k(q)|^2 L(q, ds) dq \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq 2C([m, m](t))^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_R \int_0^t 1_D(q) L(q, ds) dq \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\underline{x}_k$  is a solution to (4.2) which is in fact equation (4.1). We will prove that  $\underline{x}_k$  is a unique minimal solution. Let  $y_k$  be any other solution to (4.2). Such an  $y_k$  is also a solution to (4.3). By Lemma 4.5  $y_k^r(t) \leq y_k(t)$  for every  $t \in [0, T]$ , from which we deduce that  $\underline{x}_k(t) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} y_k^r(t) \leq y_k(t)$  for every  $t \in [0, T]$ . Then the minimal solution  $\underline{x}_k$  is unique.

Step 4: We will prove that  $\underline{x} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \underline{x}_k$  is a solution to the equation

$$(4.7) \quad \begin{aligned} x(t) &= x_0 + \int_0^t f(x(s)) dz(s) + \int_0^t g(x(s)) da(s) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} [f(x), z](t) + \int_0^t -A^0(x(s)) d[m, m](s), \end{aligned}$$

Let us define stopping times  $S_k := \inf\{t \in [0, T] : |\underline{x}_k(t)| > k\}$ . Then for  $k$  and  $k+1$  solutions  $\underline{x}_k$  and  $\underline{x}_{k+1}$  satisfy equations

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{x}_k(t \wedge S_k) &= x_0 + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) dz(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) f'_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} g_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) da(s) - \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} (A^0)_k(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{x}_{k+1}(t \wedge S_{k+1}) &= x_0 + \int_0^{t \wedge S_{k+1}} f_{k+1}(\underline{x}_{k+1}(s)) dz(s) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t \wedge S_{k+1}} f_{k+1}(\underline{x}_{k+1}(s)) f'_{k+1}(\underline{x}_{k+1}(s)) d[m, m]s \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t \wedge S_{k+1}} g_{k+1}(\underline{x}_{k+1}(s)) da(s) \\ &\quad - \int_0^{t \wedge S_{k+1}} (A^0)_{k+1}(\underline{x}_{k+1}(s)) d[m, m](s). \end{aligned}$$

Let us note that  $f(u) = f_k(u) = f_{k+1}(u)$  for  $|u| \leq k$  and  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . A similar property holds for functions  $g, g_k, g_{k+1}, A^0, (A^0)_k, (A^0)_{k+1}$ , and multiplications  $f'f$ ,

$f'_k f_k, f'_{k+1} f_{k+1}$ . Since  $|\underline{x}_k(t \wedge S_k)| \leq k$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{x}_k(t \wedge S_k) &= x_0 + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f(\underline{x}_k(s)) dz(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f(\underline{x}_k(s)) f'(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} g(\underline{x}_k(s)) da(s) - \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} A^0(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &= x_0 + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f_{k+1}(\underline{x}_k(s)) dz(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} f_{k+1}(\underline{x}_k(s)) f'_{k+1}(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s) \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} g_{k+1}(\underline{x}_k(s)) da(s) - \int_0^{t \wedge S_k} (A^0)_{k+1}(\underline{x}_k(s)) d[m, m](s). \end{aligned}$$

By the uniqueness of minimal, strong solution we deduce that  $\underline{x}_k = \underline{x}_{k+1}$  on  $[0, S_k]$ . Moreover,  $S_k < S_{k+1}$  on  $\{S_k < T\}$ . Since a sequence of stopping times is increasing, we can define a predictable stopping time  $S := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_k$  and the process  $\underline{x}$  on the interval  $[0, S]$  such that  $\underline{x} = \underline{x}_k$  on  $[0, S_k]$ . The process  $\underline{x}$  satisfies equation (4.1) on  $[0, S_k]$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , so  $\underline{x}$  satisfies also equation (4.6) on  $[0, S]$ . The stopping time  $S$  is the explosion time, which was mentioned in the statement of the Theorem. If  $P(S > T) = 1$ , then we have a nonexploding solution. Since  $f, g$  and  $A^0$  are selectors of  $F, G$  and  $A$ , respectively, we deduce that  $f \circ \underline{x}, g \circ \underline{x}$  and  $A^0 \circ \underline{x}$  are selections desired in Definition 4.1 and that means that  $\underline{x}$  is a solution to inclusion (SI). □

**Example 4.7.** Let  $A$  be a subset of the interval  $[0, 1]$  such that  $\mu(A) = 1/2$  and for every interval  $[a, b] \subset [0, 1]$   $0 < \mu(A \cap [a, b]) < b - a$ . Then the measure of the set  $A' = [0, 1] \setminus A$  equals  $1/2$  and  $0 < \mu(A' \cap [a, b]) < b - a$  also. Let us notice that sets  $A$  and  $A'$  should be dense in  $[0, 1]$ . Define a set-valued function  $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}}$  by the formula

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} [1, e^{|x|} + 3], & x \in A \\ [2, e^{|x|} + 4], & x \in ([0, 1] \setminus A) \end{cases}$$

It is clear that the set-valued function  $F$  is not Lipschitz continuous, nor lower semicontinuous, nor upper semicontinuous in any point. It does not satisfy any of monotone type conditions either. However,  $F$  is upper separated.

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