



STABILITY OF THE FUNCTIONAL EQUATION

KEYWORDS

functional equation, Hyres–Ulam stability, generalized Metric Space and fixed point approximation.

K.HARIPRASAD

MRUDULA RAVINDRAN

Department of Mathematics, C.M.S. College of Science and Commerce, Coimbatore

Head of the Department, Department of Mathematics, C.M.S.College of Science and Commerce, Coimbatore.

ABSTRACT

Hilbert space and banach space are well known examples for Topological vector space. In this paper, the authors investigate the general solution of new cubic functional equation, $f(x+y+xy) = f(x) + f(y) + xf(y) + yf(x)$ and discuss its generalized Hyres – Ulam stability, via, fixed point approach.

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Consider the functional equation which defines multiplicative derivations in algebras,

$$f(x) = xf(y) + yf(x). \tag{1.1}$$

It is easy to see that the real-valued function $f(x) = x \ln x$ is a solution of the functional equation (1.1) on the interval $(0, \infty)$.

During the 34th International Symposium on Functional Equations, Gy. Maksa [1], posed the problem concerning the Hyers-Ulam Stability on the interval $(0, 1]$ for the functional equation (1.1), and J.Tabor gave an answer to the equation of Maksa in [5]. On the other hand, Zs.Pales [2] remarked that the functional equation (1.1) on the interval $[1, \infty)$ for real-valued functions is superstable.

The following functional equation is obtained from the functional equation (1.1)

$$f(x+y+xy) = f(x) + f(y) + xf(y) + yf(x) \tag{1.2}$$

In this chapter, we solve the functional equation (1.2) and then, by following the ideas of J.Tabor [5] and Zs.Pales [2], the Hyers-Ulam stability on the interval $(-1, 0]$ and the superstability on the interval $[0, \infty)$ of the functional equation (1.2) will be investigated, respectively.

Throughout this chapter, we denote \mathbf{R} and be the sets of real numbers and set of positive integers, respectively.

1.2 SOLUTIONS OF EQUATION (1.2)

It is easy to see that the real-valued function $f(x) = (x+1) \ln(x+1)$ is a solution of the

functional equation (1.2) on the interval $(-1, \infty)$. In the following theorem, we will find out the general solution of the functional equation (1.2) on the interval $(-1, \infty)$.

Theorem 1.1

Let X be a real (or complex) linear space. A function $f : (-1, \infty) \rightarrow X$

Satisfies the functional equation (1.2) for all $x \in (-1, \infty)$ if and only if there exists a solution $D : (0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ of the functional equation (1.1), Such that

$$f(x) = D(x+1) \text{ for all } x \in (-1, \infty).$$

Proof.

Necessity. Let us define the mapping $D : (0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ by $D(x) := f(x-1)$. We claim that D is a solution of the functional equation (1.1). Indeed, for all $x, y \in (0, \infty)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} D(xy) &= f(xy-1) = f((x-1) + (y-1) + (x-1)(y-1)) \\ &= f(x-1) + f(y-1) + (x-1)f(y-1) + (y-1)f(x-1) \\ &= xD(y) + yD(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore D is a solution of the functional equation (1.1), as claimed, and $f(x) = D(x+1)$ for all $x \in (-1, \infty)$. Sufficiency. This is obvious.

1.3 HYERS -ULAM STABILITY OF EQUATION (1.2)

We first state a theorem of F. Skof [3] concerning the stability of the additive functional equation $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ on a restricted domain.

Theorem 1.2

Let X be a real (or complex) Banach space. Given $c > 0$, let a mapping $f : [0, c) \rightarrow X$ satisfy the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \delta$$

for some $\delta \geq 0$ and for all $x, y \in [0, c)$ with $x+y \in [0, c)$. Then there exists an additive mapping $A: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\|f(x) - A(x)\| \leq 3\delta \text{ for all } x \in [0, c).$$

Our main theorem in this section is the Hyers-Ulam stability on the interval $(-1, 0]$ of the functional equation (1.2) and the proof is similar to the one given in [5].

Theorem 1.3

Let X be a real (or complex) Banach space, and let $f : (-1, 0] \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying the inequality

$$\|f(x+y+xy) - f(x) - f(y) - xf(y) - yf(x)\| \leq \delta \quad (1.3)$$

for some $\delta > 0$ and for all $x, y \in (-1, 0]$. Then there exists a solution $H : (-1, 0] \rightarrow X$ of the functional equation (1.2) such that

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq (4e)\delta \quad (1.4)$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$.

Proof.

Let $g : (-1, 0] \rightarrow X$ be a mapping defined by

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x+1}$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$. Then, by (1.3), we see that g satisfy the inequality

$$\|g(x+y+xy) - g(y) - g(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{(x+1)(y+1)}$$

for all $x, y \in (-1, 0]$. If we define the mapping $F : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ by

$$F(-\ln(x+1)) = g(x)$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$, then by setting $u = -\ln(x+1)$ and $v = -\ln(y+1)$ we obtain

$$\|F(u+v) - F(u) - F(v)\| \leq \delta e^{u+v} \quad (1.5)$$

for all $u, v \in [0, \infty)$. This means that

$$\|F(u+v) - F(u) - F(v)\| \leq \delta e^c$$

for all $u, v \in [0, c)$ with $u+v < c$, where $c > 1$ is an arbitrary given constant.

According to Theorem 4.2, there exists an additive mapping $A: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\|F(u) - A(u)\| \leq 3e\delta \quad (1.6)$$

for all $u \in [0, 1]$. Moreover, it follows from (4.5) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(u+1) - F(u) - F(1)\| &\leq \delta e^{u+1} \\ \|F(u+2) - F(u+1) - F(1)\| &\leq \delta e^{u+2} \\ &\vdots \\ \|F(u+k) - F(u+k-1) - F(1)\| &\leq \delta e^{u+k} \end{aligned}$$

for all $u \in [0, 1]$ and $k \in \mathbf{N}$. Summing up these inequalities we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(u+k) - F(u) - kF(1)\| &\leq \delta e \cdot e^{u+k} (1 + e^{-1} + \dots + e^{-k+1}) \\ &\leq \delta e \cdot e^{u+k} \quad (1.7) \end{aligned}$$

for all $u \in [0, 1]$ and $k \in \mathbf{N}$. We assert that

$$\|F(v) - A(v)\| \leq 4\delta e \cdot e^v \quad (1.8)$$

for all $v \in [0, \infty)$.

In fact, let $v \geq 0$ and let $k \in \mathbf{N}$ be given with $v-k \in [0, 1]$. Then, by (1.6) and (1.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(v) - A(v)\| &\leq \|F(v) - F(v-k) - kF(1)\| \\ &+ \|F(v-k) - A(v-k)\| + \|A(k) - kF(1)\| \\ &\leq \delta e \cdot e^v + 3\delta e + k \|A(k) - kF(1)\| \\ &\leq \delta e \cdot e^v + 3\delta e + k \|A(1) - F(1)\| \\ &\leq \delta e \cdot e^v + 3\delta e + 3\delta e v \\ &\leq \delta e (e^v + 3(1+v)) \\ &\leq 4\delta e \cdot e^v \end{aligned}$$

Hence, from (1.8) and the definition of F .

It follows that

$$\|g(x) - A(-\ln(x+1))\| \leq 4\delta e^{-\ln(x+1)} = \frac{4\delta e}{x+1}$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$, that is,

$$\left\| \frac{f(x)}{x+1} - A(-\ln(x+1)) \right\| \leq \frac{4\delta e}{x+1} \quad (1.9)$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$. If we put $H(x) = (x+1)A(-\ln(x+1))$ for all $x \in (-1, 0]$, we can easily check that H is a solution of the functional equation (1.2) by Theorem 1.1. This and (1.9) yield that

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq (4e)\delta$$

for all $x \in (-1, 0]$ which proves (1.4). The proof of the theorem is complete.

1.4 SUPERSTABILITY OF EQUATION (1.2)

For the purpose, we will introduce the next result [4] which is essential to prove the main theorem.

Theorem 1.4

Let X be a real (or complex) Banach space, and let $C > 0$ be a given constant. Suppose that a mapping $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \delta$$

for some $\delta \geq 0$ and for all $x, y \in \mathbf{R}$ with $|x| + |y| > C$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $A : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\|f(x) - A(x)\| \leq 9\delta$$

for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

Now let us prove the main theorem of the section which is the superstability of the functional equation (1.2) on the interval $[0, \infty)$.

Theorem 1.5

Let X be a real (or complex) Banach space, and let $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying the inequality,

$$\|f(x+y+xy) - f(x) - f(y) - xf(y) - yf(x)\| \leq \delta \quad (1.10)$$

for some $\delta > 0$ and for all $x, y \in [0, \infty)$.

Then f satisfies the functional equation (1.2) for all

$x, y \in [0, \infty)$.

Proof.

Defining the mapping $g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ by

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x+1}$$

for all $x \in [0, \infty)$ as in the proof of Theorem 1.3, and defining the mapping $F : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ by

$$F(\ln(x+1)) = g(x)$$

for all $x \in [0, \infty)$, we see by putting $u = \ln(x+1)$ and $v = \ln(y+1)$, that

$$\|F(u+v) - F(u) - F(v)\| \leq \delta e^{-(u+v)} \quad (1.11)$$

for all $u, v \in [0, \infty)$. We claim that F is additive.

From (1.11) with $\delta_n = \delta e^{-n}$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$), we obtain $\|F(u+v) - F(u) - F(v)\| \leq \delta e^{-n}$,

for all $u, v \in [0, \infty)$ with $u+v > n$.

We now define a mapping $T : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ by

$$T(u) = \begin{cases} F(u) & \text{for } u \geq 0, \\ -F(u) & \text{for } u < 0 \end{cases}$$

It is not difficult to see that

$$\|T(u+v) - T(u) - T(v)\| \leq \delta_n$$

for all $u, v \in \mathbf{R}$ with $|u| + |v| > n$.

Therefore, by Theorem 1.4 there exists a unique additive mapping $A_n : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ satisfying

$$\|T(u) - A_n(u)\| \leq 9\delta_n \quad (1.12)$$

for all $u \in \mathbf{R}$. Let $m, n \in \mathbf{N}$ with $n > m$.

Then the additive mapping $A_n : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow X$ satisfies $\|T(u) - A_n(u)\| \leq 9\delta_n$ for all $u \in \mathbf{R}$. The

uniqueness argument now implies $A_n = A_m$ for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$ with $n > m > 0$, and thus

$A_1 = A_2 = \dots = A_n = \dots$. Taking the limit in (1.12) as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain $T = A_1$ and we deduce

that F is additive.

Now, according to the definitions of F and g , we have

$$\frac{f(x)}{x+1} = F(\ln(x+1))$$

for all $x \in [0, \infty)$ that is,

$$f(x) = (x+1)F(\ln(x+1))$$

for all $x \in [0, \infty)$, and hence we see that f satisfies the functional equation (1.2) for all $x, y \in [0, \infty)$ by Theorem 1.1 since F is additive and $D(x) = xF(\ln(x))$ ($x \in [1, \infty)$) is a solution of the functional equation (1.1). This completes the proof of the theorem.

CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, the authors investigated the Generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability using direct method as well as using fixed point method. We find that the both the methods yields the same conclusion

REFERENCES:

- [1] **Gy. Maksa**, Problems 18, In 'Report on the 34th ISFE' Aequationes Math 53 (1997), 200-201.
- [2] **Zs. Pales**, Remark 27, In 'Report on the 34th ISFE', Aequationes Math 53 (1997), 200-201.
- [3] **F. Skof**, sull approssimazione delle appliazioni localmente δ -additive, Atti Acad. Sc. Torino 117 (1983), 377-389.
- [4] **F. Skof**, Proprieta locali e approssimazione di operatori, Rend. Sem. Mat. Fis. Milano 53 (1983), 113-129.
- [5] **J. Tabor**, Remarks 20, In 'Report on the 34th ISFE', Aequationes Math. 53 (1997), 194-196.