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An AQCQ-functional equation in paranormed spaces

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Abstract

In this article, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of an additive-quadratic-cubic-quartic functional equation in paranormed spaces.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

The concept of statistical convergence for sequences of real numbers was introduced by Fast [1] and Steinhaus [2] independently and since then several generalizations and applications of this notion have been investigated by various authors (see [3-7]). This notion was defined in normed spaces by Kolk [8].

We recall some basic facts concerning Fréchet spaces.

Definition 1.1. [9] Let X be a vector space. A paranorm $P : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a function on X such that

- (1) $P(0) = 0$;
- (2) $P(-x) = P(x)$;
- (3) $P(x + y) \leq P(x) + P(y)$ (triangle inequality)
- (4) If $\{t_n\}$ is a sequence of scalars with $t_n \rightarrow t$ and $\{x_n\} \subset X$ with $P(x_n - x) \rightarrow 0$, then $P(t_n x_n - tx) \rightarrow 0$ (continuity of multiplication).

The pair (X, P) is called a *paranormed space* if P is a *paranorm* on X .

The paranorm is called *total* if, in addition, we have

- (5) $P(x) = 0$ implies $x = 0$.

A *Fréchet space* is a total and complete paranormed space.

The stability problem of functional equations originated from a question of Ulam [10] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. Hyers [11] gave a first affirmative partial answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. Hyers' theorem was generalized by Aoki [12] for additive mappings and by Rassias [13] for linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference. A generalization of Rassias' theorem

was obtained by Gävruta [14] by replacing the unbounded Cauchy difference by a general control function in the spirit of Rassias' approach.

In 1990, Rassias [15] during the 27th International Symposium on Functional Equations asked the question whether such a theorem can also be proved for $p \geq 1$. In 1991, Gajda [16] following the same approach as in Rassias [13], gave an affirmative solution to this question for $p > 1$. It was shown by Gajda [16], as well as by Rassias and Šemrl [17] that one cannot prove a Rassias-type theorem when $p = 1$ (cf. the books of Czerwik [18], Hyers et al. [19]).

In 1982, Rassias [20] followed the innovative approach of the Rassias' theorem [13] in which he replaced the factor $\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$ by $\|x\|^p \cdot \|y\|^q$ for $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ with $p + q \neq 1$.

The functional equation

$$f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y)$$

is called a *quadratic functional equation*. In particular, every solution of the quadratic functional equation is said to be a *quadratic mapping*. A Hyers-Ulam stability problem for the quadratic functional equation was proved by Skof [21] for mappings $f: X \rightarrow Y$, where X is a normed space and Y is a Banach space. Cholewa [22] noticed that the theorem of Skof is still true if the relevant domain X is replaced by an Abelian group. Czerwik [23] proved the Hyers-Ulam stability of the quadratic functional equation. The stability problems of several functional equations have extensively been investigated by a number of authors and there are many interesting results concerning this problem (see [24-30]).

Jun and Kim [31] considered the following cubic functional equation

$$f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) = 2f(x + y) + 2f(x - y) + 12f(x). \quad (1.1)$$

It is easy to show that the function $f(x) = x^3$ satisfies the functional equation (1.1), which is called a *cubic functional equation* and every solution of the cubic functional equation is said to be a *cubic mapping*.

Lee et al. [32] considered the following quartic functional equation

$$f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) = 4f(x + y) + 4f(x - y) + 24f(x) - 6f(y). \quad (1.2)$$

It is easy to show that the function $f(x) = x^4$ satisfies the functional equation (1.2), which is called a *quartic functional equation* and every solution of the quartic functional equation is said to be a *quartic mapping*.

Throughout this article, assume that (X, P) is a Fréchet space and that $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space.

In this article, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the following additive-quadratic-cubic-quartic functional equation

$$f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) = 4f(x + y) + 4f(x - y) - 6f(x) + f(2y) + f(-2y) - 4f(y) - 4f(-y) \quad (1.3)$$

in paranormed spaces.

One can easily show that an odd mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies (1.3) if and only if the odd mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is an additive-cubic mapping, i.e.,

$$f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) = 4f(x + y) + 4f(x - y) - 6f(x).$$

It was shown in [[33], Lemma 2.2] that $g(x) := f(2x) - 2f(x)$ and $h(x) := f(2x) - 8f(x)$ are cubic and additive, respectively, and that $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}g(x) - \frac{1}{6}h(x)$.

One can easily show that an even mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies (1.3) if and only if the even mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a quadratic-quartic mapping, i.e.,

$$f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) = 4f(x + y) + 4f(x - y) - 6f(x) + 2f(2y) - 8f(y).$$

It was shown in [[34], Lemma 2.1] that $g(x) := f(2x) - 4f(x)$ and $h(x) := f(2x) - 16f(x)$ are quartic and quadratic, respectively, and that $f(x) = \frac{1}{12}g(x) - \frac{1}{12}h(x)$.

2. Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.3): an odd mapping case

For a given mapping f , we define

$$Df(x, y) := f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) - 4f(x + y) - 4f(x - y) + 6f(x) - f(2y) - f(-2y) + 4f(y) + 4f(-y).$$

In this section, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation $Df(x, y) = 0$ in paranormed spaces: an odd mapping case.

Note that $P(2x) \leq 2P(x)$ for all $x \in Y$.

Theorem 2.1. *Let r, θ be positive real numbers with $r > 1$, and let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ be an odd mapping such that*

$$P(Df(x, y)) \leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r) \tag{2.1}$$

for all $x, y \in Y$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $A: Y \rightarrow X$ such that

$$P(f(2x) - 8f(x) - A(x)) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r - 2} \theta \|x\|^r \tag{2.2}$$

for all $x \in Y$.

Proof. Letting $x = y$ in (2.1), we get

$$P(f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y)) \leq 2\theta \|y\|^r \tag{2.3}$$

for all $y \in Y$.

Replacing x by $2y$ in (2.1), we get

$$P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)) \leq (2^r + 1)\theta \|y\|^r \tag{2.4}$$

for all $y \in Y$.

By (2.3) and (2.4),

$$\begin{aligned} &P(f(4y) - 10f(2y) + 16f(y)) \\ &\leq P(4(f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y))) + P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)) \\ &\leq 4P(f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y)) + P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)) \\ &\leq 8\theta \|y\|^r + (2^r + 1)\theta \|y\|^r = (2^r + 9)\theta \|y\|^r \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

for all $y \in Y$. Replacing y by $\frac{x}{2}$ and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 8f(x)$ in (2.5), we get

$$P\left(g(x) - 2g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$. Hence

$$P\left(2^l g\left(\frac{x}{2^l}\right) - 2^m g\left(\frac{x}{2^m}\right)\right) \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \frac{(2^r + 9)2^j}{2^{rj+r}} \theta \|x\|^r \tag{2.6}$$

for all nonnegative integers m and l with $m > l$ and all $x \in Y$. It follows from (2.6) that the sequence $\{2^k g(\frac{x}{2^k})\}$ is Cauchy for all $x \in Y$. Since X is complete, the sequence $\{2^k g(\frac{x}{2^k})\}$ converges. So one can define the mapping $A : Y \rightarrow X$ by

$$A(x) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} 2^k g\left(\frac{x}{2^k}\right)$$

for all $x \in Y$.

By (2.1),

$$P(DA(x, y)) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P\left(2^k Dg\left(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{y}{2^k}\right)\right) \leq \frac{2^k \theta}{2^{rk}} (2^r + 8) (\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r) = 0$$

for all $x, y \in Y$. So $DA(x, y) = 0$. Since $g : Y \rightarrow X$ is odd, $A : Y \rightarrow X$ is odd. So the mapping $A : Y \rightarrow X$ is additive. Moreover, letting $l = 0$ and passing the limit $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.6), we get (2.2). So there exists an additive mapping $A : Y \rightarrow X$ satisfying (2.2).

Now, let $T : Y \rightarrow X$ be another additive mapping satisfying (2.2). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(A(x) - T(x)) &= P\left(2^p A\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - 2^q T\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right)\right) \\ &\leq P\left(2^q \left(A\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - g\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right)\right)\right) + P\left(2^q \left(T\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - g\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right)\right)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2(2^r + 9)2^q}{(2^r - 2)2^{rq}} \theta \|x\|^r, \end{aligned}$$

which tends to zero as $q \rightarrow \infty$ for all $x \in Y$. So we can conclude that $A(x) = T(x)$ for all $x \in Y$. This proves the uniqueness of A . Thus the mapping $A : Y \rightarrow X$ is a unique additive mapping satisfying (2.2).

Theorem 2.2. *Let r be a positive real number with $r < 1$, and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an odd mapping such that*

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq P(x)^r + P(y)^r \tag{2.7}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\|f(2x) - 8f(x) - A(x)\| \leq \frac{9 + 2^r}{2 - 2^r} P(x)^r \tag{2.8}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. Letting $x = y$ in (2.7), we get

$$\|f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y)\| \leq 2P(y)^r \tag{2.9}$$

for all $y \in X$.

Replacing x by $2y$ in (2.7), we get

$$\|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \leq (2^p + 1)P(y)^r \tag{2.10}$$

for all $y \in X$.

By (2.9) and (2.10),

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(4y) - 10f(2y) + 16f(y)\| \\ & \leq \|4(f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y))\| + \|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \\ & \leq 4 \|f(3y) - 4f(2y) + 5f(y)\| + \|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 6f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \\ & \leq 8P(y)^r + (2^r + 1)P(y)^r = (2^r + 9)P(y)^r \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

for all $y \in X$. Replacing y by x and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 8f(x)$ in (2.11), we get

$$\left\| g(x) - \frac{1}{2}g(2x) \right\| \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2}P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$. Hence

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2^l}g(2^l x) - \frac{1}{2^m}g(2^m x) \right\| \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \frac{(2^r + 9)2^{rj}}{2^{j+1}}P(x)^r \quad (2.12)$$

for all nonnegative integers m and l with $m > l$ and all $x \in X$. It follows from (2.12) that the sequence $\{\frac{1}{2^k}g(2^k x)\}$ is Cauchy for all $x \in X$. Since Y is complete, the sequence $\{\frac{1}{2^k}g(2^k x)\}$ converges. So one can define the mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$A(x) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k}g(2^k x)$$

for all $x \in X$.

By (2.7),

$$\|DA(x, y)\| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{2^k}Dg(2^k x, 2^k y) \right\| \leq \frac{2^{rk}}{2^k}(2^r + 8)(P(x)^r + P(y)^r) = 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$. So $DA(x, y) = 0$. Since $g : X \rightarrow Y$ is odd, $A : X \rightarrow Y$ is odd. So the mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ is additive. Moreover, letting $l = 0$ and passing the limit $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.12), we get (2.8). So there exists an additive mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfying (2.8).

Now, let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be another additive mapping satisfying (2.8). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|A(x) - T(x)\| &= \left\| \frac{1}{2^q}A(2^q x) - \frac{1}{2^q}T(2^q x) \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{1}{2^q}(A(2^q x) - g(2^q x)) \right\| + \left\| \frac{1}{2^q}(T(2^q x) - g(2^q x)) \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{2(9 + 2^r)2^{rq}}{(2 - 2^r)2^q}P(x)^r, \end{aligned}$$

which tends to zero as $q \rightarrow \infty$ for all $x \in X$. So we can conclude that $A(x) = T(x)$ for all $x \in X$. This proves the uniqueness of A . Thus the mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ is a unique additive mapping satisfying (2.8).

Theorem 2.3. *Let r, θ be positive real numbers with $r > 3$, and let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be an odd mapping satisfying (2.1). Then there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : Y \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$P(f(2x) - 2f(x) - C(x)) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r - 8}\theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

Proof. Replacing y by $\frac{x}{2}$ and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 2f(x)$ in (2.5), we get

$$P\left(g(x) - 8g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Theorem 2.4. *Let r be a positive real number with $r < 3$, and let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an odd mapping satisfying (2.7). Then there exists a unique cubic mapping $C: X \rightarrow Y$ such that*

$$\|f(2x) - 2f(x) - C(x)\| \leq \frac{9 + 2^r}{8 - 2^r} P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. Replacing y by x and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 2f(x)$ in (2.11), we get

$$\left\|g(x) - \frac{1}{8}g(2x)\right\| \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{8} P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2.

3. Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.3): an even mapping case

In this section, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation $Df(x, y) = 0$ in paranormed spaces: an even mapping case.

Note that $P(2x) \leq 2P(x)$ for all $x \in Y$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let r, θ be positive real numbers with $r > 2$, and let $f: Y \rightarrow X$ be an even mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.1). Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping $Q_2: Y \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$P(f(2x) - 16f(x) - Q_2(x)) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r - 4} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

Proof. Letting $x = y$ in (2.1), we get

$$P(f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y)) \leq 2\theta \|y\|^r \tag{3.1}$$

for all $y \in Y$.

Replacing x by $2y$ in (2.1), we get

$$P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)) \leq (2^r + 1)\theta \|y\|^r \tag{3.2}$$

for all $y \in Y$.

By (3.1) and (3.2),

$$\begin{aligned} &P(f(4y) - 20f(2y) + 64f(y)) \\ &\leq P(4(f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y))) + P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)) \\ &\leq 4P(f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y)) + P(f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)) \\ &\leq 8\theta \|y\|^r + (2^r + 1)\theta \|y\|^r = (2^r + 9)\theta \|y\|^r \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

for all $y \in Y$. Replacing y by $\frac{x}{2}$ and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 16f(x)$ in (3.3), we get

$$P\left(g(x) - 4g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Theorem 3.2. *Let r be a positive real number with $r < 2$, and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an even mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.7). Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping $Q_2 : X \rightarrow Y$ such that*

$$\|f(2x) - 16f(x) - Q_2(x)\| \leq \frac{9 + 2^r}{4 - 2^r} P(x)^r \tag{3.4}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. Letting $x = y$ in (2.7), we get

$$\|f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y)\| \leq 2P(y)^r \tag{3.5}$$

for all $y \in X$.

Replacing x by $2y$ in (2.7), we get

$$\|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)\| \leq (2^r + 1)P(y)^r \tag{3.6}$$

for all $y \in X$.

By (3.5) and (3.6),

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(4y) - 20f(2y) + 64f(y)\| \\ & \leq \|4(f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y))\| + \|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)\| \\ & \leq 4\|f(3y) - 6f(2y) + 15f(y)\| + \|f(4y) - 4f(3y) + 4f(2y) + 4f(y)\| \\ & \leq 8P(y)^r + (2^r + 1)P(y)^r = (2^r + 9)P(y)^r \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

for all $y \in X$. Replacing y by x and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 16f(x)$ in (3.7), we get

$$\left\|g(x) - \frac{1}{4}g(2x)\right\| \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{4} P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2.

Theorem 3.3. *Let r, θ be positive real numbers with $r > 4$, and let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be an even mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.1). Then there exists a unique quartic mapping $Q_4 : Y \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$P(f(2x) - 4f(x) - Q_4(x)) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r - 16} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

Proof. Replacing y by $\frac{x}{2}$ and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 4f(x)$ in (3.3), we get

$$P\left(g(x) - 16g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{2^r} \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all $x \in Y$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1.

Theorem 3.4. *Let r be a positive real number with $r < 4$, and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an even mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.7). Then there exists a unique quartic mapping $Q_4 : X \rightarrow Y$ such that*

$$\|f(2x) - 4f(x) - Q_4(x)\| \leq \frac{9 + 2^r}{16 - 2^r} P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. Replacing y by x and letting $g(x) := f(2x) - 4f(x)$ in (3.7), we get

$$\left\| g(x) - \frac{1}{16}g(2x) \right\| \leq \frac{2^r + 9}{16} P(x)^r$$

for all $x \in X$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2.

Let $f_o(x) := \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}$ and $f_e(x) := \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2}$. Then f_o is odd and f_e is even. f_o, f_e satisfy the functional equation (1.3). Let $g_o(x) := f_o(2x) - 2f_o(x)$ and $h_o(x) := f_o(2x) - 8f_o(x)$. Then $f_o(x) = \frac{1}{6}g_o(x) - \frac{1}{6}h_o(x)$. Let $g_e(x) := f_e(2x) - 4f_e(x)$ and $h_e(x) := f_e(2x) - 16f_e(x)$. Then $f_e(x) = \frac{1}{12}g_e(x) - \frac{1}{12}h_e(x)$. Thus

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{6}g_o(x) - \frac{1}{6}h_o(x) + \frac{1}{12}g_e(x) - \frac{1}{12}h_e(x).$$

Theorem 3.5. *Let r, θ be positive real numbers with $r > 4$. Let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.1). Then there exist an additive mapping $A : Y \rightarrow X$, a quadratic mapping $Q_2 : Y \rightarrow X$, a cubic mapping $C : Y \rightarrow X$ and a quartic mapping $Q_4 : Y \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & P(24f(x) - 4A(x) - 2Q_2(x) - 4C(x) - 2Q_4(x)) \\ & \leq \left(\frac{4(2^r + 9)}{2^r - 2} + \frac{2(2^r + 9)}{2^r - 4} + \frac{4(2^r + 9)}{2^r - 8} + \frac{2(2^r + 9)}{2^r - 16} \right) \theta \|x\|^r \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in Y$.

Theorem 3.6. *Let r be a positive real number with $r < 1$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping satisfying $f(0) = 0$ and (2.7). Then there exist an additive mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$, a quadratic mapping $Q_2 : X \rightarrow Y$, a cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ and a quartic mapping $Q_4 : X \rightarrow Y$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|24f(x) - 4A(x) - 2Q_2(x) - 4C(x) - 2Q_4(x)\| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{4(2^r + 9)}{2 - 2^r} + \frac{2(2^r + 9)}{4 - 2^r} + \frac{4(2^r + 9)}{8 - 2^r} + \frac{2(2^r + 9)}{16 - 2^r} \right) P(x)^r \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in X$.

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