

**RN HYERS-ULAM-RASSIAS STABILITY OF
FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS: A DIRECT METHOD**

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Abstract: In this paper we prove Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of an additive functional equation in random normed spaces. The concept of Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability originated from Th.M. Rassias stability theorem that appeared in his paper: On the stability of the linear mapping in Banach spaces, *Proc. Amer. Math. Soc.*, **72** (1978), 297-300.

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1. Preliminaries

Definition 1.1. A function $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a distribution function if it is nondecreasing and left-continuous, with $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} F(t) = 1$ and $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} F(t) = 0$. The class of all distribution functions F with $F(0) = 0$ is denoted by D_+ . For every $a \geq 0$, H_a is the element of D_+ defined by

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$$H_a(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq a \\ 1 & \text{if } t > a \end{cases}.$$

Definition 1.2. Let X be a real vector space, Ψ be a mapping from X into D_+ (for any $x \in X$, $\Psi(x)$ is denoted by Ψ_x) and T be a t -norm. The triple (X, Ψ, T) is called a random normed space (briefly RN -space) iff the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $\Psi_x = H_0(t)$ iff $x = \theta$, the null vector;
- (ii) $\Psi_{\alpha x}(t) = \Psi_x\left(\frac{t}{|\alpha|}\right)$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha \neq 0$ and $x \in X$.
- (iii) $\Psi_{x+y}(t+s) \geq T(\Psi_x(t), \Psi_y(s))$, for all $x, y \in X$ and $t, s > 0$.

Every normed space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ defines a random normed space (X, Ψ, T_M) where for every $t > 0$,

$$\Psi_u(t) = \frac{t}{t + \|u\|}$$

and T_M is the minimum t -norm. This space is called the induced random normed space.

If the t -norm T is such that $\sup_{0 < a < 1} T(a, a) = 1$, then every RN -space (X, Ψ, T) is a metrizable linear topological space with the topology τ (called the Ψ -topology or the (ϵ, δ) -topology) induced by the base of neighborhoods of θ , $\{U(\epsilon, \lambda) | \epsilon > 0, \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$, where

$$U(\epsilon, \lambda) = \{x \in X | \Psi_x(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda\}$$

Definition 1.3. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in an RN -space (X, Ψ, T) converges to $x \in X$, in the topology τ (we denote $\lim x_n = x$) if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{x_n - x}(t) = 1$, $\forall t > 0$.

Definition 1.4. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is called Cauchy sequence if for all $t > 0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{x_n - x_m}(t) = 1$. The RN -space (X, Ψ, T) is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

2. Random Stability of the Functional Equation

$$f(mx + ny) = mf(x) + nf(y)$$

Throughout this section, using direct method we prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of functional equation $f(mx + ny) = mf(x) + nf(y)$ in random normed spaces (where $m, n \in \mathcal{N}$).

Theorem 2.1. *Let X be a vector space, (Z, Ψ, \min) be an RN-space, and $\psi : X^m \rightarrow Z$ be a function such that for some $0 < \alpha < m + n$,*

$$\Psi_{\psi((m+n)x, (m+n)y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\alpha\psi(x, y)}(t). \quad \forall x, y \in X, t > 0 \quad (2.1)$$

Also, for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{\psi((m+n)^p x, (m+n)^p y)}((m+n)^p t) = 1.$$

If (Y, μ, \min) be a complete RN-space. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$

$$\mu_{f(mx+ny) - mf(x) - nf(y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x, y)}(t), \quad (2.2)$$

then there is a unique additive mapping $C(x) : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x) - C(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}((m+n-\alpha)t). \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. Putting $y = x$ in (4.2) we see that for all $x \in X$,

$$\mu_{\frac{f((m+n)x)}{m+n} - f(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}((m+n)t). \quad (2.4)$$

Replacing x by $(m+n)^p x$ in (4.4) and using (4.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^{p+1}x)}{(m+n)^{p+1}} - \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}(t) &\geq \Psi_{\psi((m+n)^p x, (m+n)^p x)}((m+n)^{p+1}t) \\ &\geq \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}\left(\frac{(m+n)^{p+1}t}{\alpha^p}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

So by (4.5) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - f(x)}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{t\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}\right) \\ &= \mu_{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{f((m+n)^{k+1}x)}{(m+n)^{k+1}} - \frac{f((m+n)^k x)}{(m+n)^k}}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{t\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}\right) \\ &\geq T_{k=0}^{p-1}\left(\mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^{k+1}x)}{(m+n)^{k+1}} - \frac{f((m+n)^k x)}{(m+n)^k}}\left(\frac{t\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}\right)\right) \\ &\geq T_{k=0}^{p-1}(\Psi_{\psi(x, x)}(t)) \\ &= \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}(t). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

This implies that

$$\mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - f(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}}\right). \quad (2.7)$$

Replacing x by $(m+n)^q x$ in (4.7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^{p+q} x)}{(m+n)^{p+q}} - \frac{f((m+n)^q x)}{(m+n)^q}}(t) &\geq \Psi_{\psi((m+n)^q x, (m+n)^q x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+q+1}}}\right) \\ &\geq \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha^{k+q}}{(m+n)^{k+q+1}}}\right) \\ &= \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=q}^{p+q-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

As

$$\lim_{p,q \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=q}^{p+q-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}}\right) = 1,$$

then $\left\{\frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}\right\}_{n=1}^{+\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in complete RN-space (Y, μ, \min) , so there exist some point $C(x) \in Y$ such that

$$C(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}.$$

Fix $x \in X$ and put $q = 0$ in (4.8). Then we obtain

$$\mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - f(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}}\right). \quad (2.9)$$

and so, for every $\epsilon > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{C(x) - f(x)}(t + \epsilon) &\geq T\left(\mu_{C(x) - \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}(\epsilon), \mu_{\frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - f(x)}(t)\right) \\ &\geq T\left(\mu_{C(x) - \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}(\epsilon), \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{(m+n)^{k+1}}}\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $p \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\mu_{C(x) - f(x)}(t + \epsilon) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}((m+n-\alpha)t). \quad (2.10)$$

Since ϵ was arbitrary by taking $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ in (4.10), we obtain

$$\mu_{C(x) - f(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\psi(x,x)}((m+n-\alpha)t). \quad (2.11)$$

Replacing x and y by $(m+n)^p x$ and $(m+n)^p y$ respectively, in (4.2) and using this fact that $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{\psi((m+n)^p x, (m+n)^p y)}((m+n)^p t) = 1$, we get for all $x, y \in X$ and for all $t > 0$,

$$C(mx + ny) = mC(x) + nC(y).$$

To prove the uniqueness of the additive mapping C , assume that there exist another additive mapping $D : X \rightarrow Y$ which satisfies (4.3). Since for all $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and every $x \in X$,

$$C((m+n)^p x) = (m+n)^p C(x) \quad \text{and} \quad D((m+n)^p x) = (m+n)^p D(x),$$

we find that

$$\mu_{C(x)-D(x)}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\frac{C((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - \frac{D((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}(t). \quad (2.12)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{\frac{C((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - \frac{D((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}(t) \\ & \geq \min \left\{ \mu_{\frac{C((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right), \mu_{\frac{D((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p} - \frac{f((m+n)^p x)}{(m+n)^p}}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \right\} \\ & \geq \Psi_{\psi((m+n)^p x, (m+n)^p x)}\left(\frac{(m+n)^p(m+n-\alpha)t}{2}\right) \\ & \geq \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}\left(\frac{(m+n)^p(m+n-\alpha)t}{2\alpha^p}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

Since $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(m+n)^p(m+n-\alpha)t}{2\alpha^p} = \infty$, we get

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \Psi_{\psi(x, x)}\left(\frac{(m+n)^p(m+n-\alpha)t}{2\alpha^p}\right) = 1.$$

Therefore, it follows that for all $t > 0$, $\mu_{C(x)-D(x)}(t) = 1$ and so $C(x) = D(x)$. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 2.1. *Let X be a real linear space, (Z, Ψ, \min) be an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let $p \in (0, 1)$ and $z_0 \in Z$. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$*

$$\mu_{f(mx+ny)-mf(x)-nf(y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\|x\|^{p z_0}}(t), \quad (2.14)$$

then there is a unique additive mapping $C(x) : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-C(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\|x\|^{p z_0}}((m+n - (m+n)^p)t), \quad (2.15)$$

Proof. Let $\alpha = (m+n)^p$ and $\psi : X^2 \rightarrow Z$ be defined by $\psi(x, y) = \|x\|^p z_0$. \square

Corollary 2.2. *Let X be a real linear space, (Z, Ψ, \min) be an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let $p \in (0, 1)$ and $z_0 \in Z$. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$*

$$\mu_{f(mx+ny)-mf(x)-nf(y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{(\|x\|^p+\|y\|^p)z_0}(t), \quad (2.16)$$

then there is a unique additive mapping $C(x) : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-C(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\|x\|^p} \left(\frac{(m+n-(m+n)^p)t}{2} \right). \quad (2.17)$$

Proof. Let $\alpha = (m+n)^p$ and $\psi : X^2 \rightarrow Z$ be defined by $\psi(x, y) = (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)z_0$. \square

Corollary 2.3. *Let X be a real linear space, (Z, Ψ, \min) be an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let $p, q \in \mathbb{R}^+$ where $p+q \in (0, 1)$ and $z_0 \in Z$. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$*

$$\mu_{f(mx+ny)-mf(x)-nf(y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{(\|x\|^{p+q}+\|y\|^{p+q}+\|x\|^p\cdot\|y\|^q)z_0}(t), \quad (2.18)$$

then there is a unique additive mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-C(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\|x\|^{p+q}z_0} \left(\frac{(m+n-(m+n)^{p+q})t}{3} \right) \quad (2.19)$$

Proof. Let $\alpha = (m+n)^{p+q}$ and $\psi : X^2 \rightarrow Z$ be defined by $\psi(x, y) = (\|x\|^{p+q} + \|y\|^{p+q} + \|x\|^p \cdot \|y\|^q)z_0$. \square

Corollary 2.4. *Let X be a real linear space, (Z, Ψ, \min) be an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let $z_0 \in Z$ and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$*

$$\mu_{f(mx+ny)-mf(x)-nf(y)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\delta z_0}(t), \quad (2.20)$$

then there is a unique additive mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that for all $x \in X$ and $t > 0$

$$\mu_{f(x)-C(x)}(t) \geq \Psi_{\delta z_0}((m+n-1)t). \quad (2.21)$$

Proof. Let $\alpha = 1$ and $\psi : X^2 \rightarrow Z$ be defined by $\psi(x, y) = \delta z_0$. \square

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