# GENERALIZED STABILITY OF ISOMETRIES ON REAL BANACH SPACES

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ABSTRACT. Let X and Y be real Banach spaces and  $\varepsilon > 0, p > 1$ . Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a bijective mapping with f(0) = 0 satisfying

$$\Big| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \Big| \le \varepsilon \|x - y\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$  and, let  $f^{-1}: Y \to X$  be uniformly continuous. Then there exist a constant  $\delta > 0$  and  $N(\varepsilon, p)$  such that  $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} N(\varepsilon, p) = 0$  and a unique surjective isometry  $I: X \to Y$  satisfying  $||f(x) - I(x)|| \le N(\varepsilon, p)||x||^p$  for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \le \delta$ .

#### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper X and Y denote real Banach spaces. It is a well-known classical result of Mazur and Ulam [5] that an isometry f from X onto Y for which f(0) = 0 is automatically linear. A mapping  $f: X \to Y$  is called an  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry if

$$\left| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \right| \le \varepsilon \|x - y\|^p$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

In 1983 J. Gevirtz [2] showed that if  $T: X \to Y$  is a surjective  $(\varepsilon, 0)$ -isometry, then there exists a unique isometry  $I: X \to Y$  such that

$$||T(x) - I(x)|| \le 20(\sqrt{2} - 1)^{-1}((\varepsilon ||x||)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 40\varepsilon)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Using a result of P. M. Gruber [3], there exists a unique surjective isometry  $I: X \to Y$  for which  $||T(x) - I(x)|| \le 5\varepsilon$  for all  $x \in X$ .

In 1995 M. Omladič and P. Šemrl [6] showed that for any an  $(\varepsilon, 0)$ -isometry  $f: X \to Y$  there exists a unique surjective linear isometry  $I: X \to Y$  such that  $||f(x) - I(x)|| \le 2\varepsilon$  for all  $x \in X$ .

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J. Lindenstrauss and A. Szankowski [4] studied a wider concept of approximate isometries. For given surjective mapping f from a real Banach space X onto a real Banach space Y they considered the function

$$\Phi_f(t) = \sup \left\{ \left| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \right| : \\ \|x - y\| \le t \text{ or } \|f(x) - f(y)\| \le t \right\}$$

for  $t \geq 0$ . They proved that if

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\Phi_f(t)}{t^2} dt < \infty,$$

then there is an isometry I from X onto Y, defined by

$$I(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n x),$$

such that ||f(x) - I(x)|| = 0(||x||) as  $||x|| \to \infty$ .

Using the result of J. Lindenstrauss and A. Szankowski [4], G. Dolinar [1] showed that if  $f: X \to Y$  is a surjective  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry with f(0) = 0 and  $0 \le p < 1$ , then there exist a constant N(p) and a surjective isometry  $I: X \to Y$  such that

$$||f(x) - I(x)|| \le \varepsilon N(p) ||x||^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

Also he showed that for an  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry f from a real Banach space X into a real Hilbert space H with f(0) = 0 and  $0 , there exists a linear isometry <math>I: X \to H$  such that

$$||f(x) - I(x)|| \le C(\varepsilon, p) \max\{||x||^p, ||x||^{\frac{1+p}{2}}\}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where  $C(\varepsilon, p) \to 0$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

In case p=1, from the result of J. Lindenstrauss and A. Szankowski [4] we obtain an  $(\varepsilon, 1)$ -isometry T from  $l_2$  onto itself which satisfies for every linear operator L on  $l_2$  there is an  $x \in l_2$  so that

$$||T(x) - L(x)|| \ge ||x||.$$

Thus we cannot obtain an isometry  $I: l_2 \to l_2$  such that

$$||T(x) - I(x)|| \le C(\varepsilon)||x||$$

for all  $x \in l_2$  where  $C(\varepsilon) \to 0$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

In this paper, given p > 1 and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $f: X \to Y$  be a bijective  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry with f(0) = 0 and, let  $f^{-1}: Y \to X$  be uniformly

continuous. Then there exist a constant  $\delta>0$  and  $N(\varepsilon,p)$  such that  $\lim_{\varepsilon\to 0}N(\varepsilon,p)=0$  and a unique surjective isometry  $I:X\to Y$  satisfying

$$||f(x) - I(x)|| \le N(\varepsilon, p) ||x||^p$$

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \le \delta$ .

### 2. Results

The following theorem is a generalized proposition of J. Lindenstrauss and A. Szankowski [4].

THEOREM 1. Let f be a bijective mapping from a real Banach space X onto a real Banach space Y. Let  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $\phi$  be monotone increasing functions such that  $\phi(2t) \leq 2^{\alpha}\phi(t)$  for real number  $t \geq 0$  and

$$\Big| \big\| f(x) - f(y) \big\| - \big\| x - y \big\| \Big| \leq \phi(\|x - y\|)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . For given  $\delta > 0$ , let  $\psi$  be a mapping satisfying

$$\Big| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \Big| \le \psi(\|f(x) - f(y)\|)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||f(x) - f(y)|| \le \delta$ .

Let  $d = ||x - y|| \le \delta$  and n be a positive integer such that  $2^n \ge \frac{d}{4(\phi(d) + \psi(d))}$ . Then we obtain

$$||f(\frac{x+y}{2}) - \frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2}||$$

$$\leq 8\psi(d) + 8\phi(d) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-1}^{n-1} \phi(2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} \max(1, 2^{\alpha-1})d)$$

Before proving the theorem, we define some notations and prove the following lemmas. Given  $x,y\in X$  with  $d=\|x-y\|\leq \delta$ , let  $u=\frac{x+y}{2}$  and  $v=\frac{f(x)+f(y)}{2}$ . We define inductively two sequences  $\{u_j\}_{j=-\infty}^{\infty}\subset X$  and  $\{v_j\}_{j=-\infty}^{\infty}\subset Y$  by putting  $u_0=u,\,v_0=v$ 

(1) 
$$u_{j+1} = f^{-1}(v_{-j}), \ v_{j+1} = f(u_{-j}), \ j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
$$u_{-j} = au_j, v_{-j} = bv_j,$$

where a and b are the isometries of X and Y satisfying

$$ax' = 2u - x', \text{ by}' = 2v - y'$$

for all  $x' \in X$  and  $y' \in Y$ . We define the following numbers

(2) 
$$\delta_{2j} = \max\{ \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| \mid |k - l| = j, -j \le k, l \le j \}$$
$$\Delta_{2j} = \max_{0 \le i \le j} \{ \|u_{2i} - x\|, \|u_{2i} - y\| \}$$

for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 

LEMMA 1.

$$\delta_{2^{m+1}} \ge 2\delta_{2^m} - 2^m \phi(\delta_{2^m})$$

 $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ 

*Proof.* Let  $-j + 1 \le k$ ,  $l \le j$  with |k - l| = j. Then we have

(3) 
$$||f(u_{-2k+2}) - f(u_{-2l+2})||$$

$$= ||v_{2k-1} - v_{2l-1}|| = ||bv_{2k-1} - bv_{2l-1}||$$

$$= ||v_{-2k+1} - v_{-2l+1}|| = ||f(u_{2k}) - f(u_{2l})||.$$

Thus (1), (2) and (3) imply

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \|u_{2k-2} - u_{2l-2}\| - \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| \right| \\ & = \left| \|au_{-2k+2} - au_{-2l+2}\| - \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| \right| \\ & = \left| \|u_{-2k+2} - u_{-2l+2}\| - \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| \right| \\ & \leq \left| \|u_{-2k+2} - u_{-2l+2}\| - \|f(u_{-2k+2}) - f(u_{-2l+2})\| \right| \\ & + \left| \|f(u_{-2k+2}) - f(u_{-2l+2})\| - \|f(u_{2k}) - f(u_{2l})\| \right| \\ & + \left| \|f(u_{2k}) - f(u_{2l})\| - \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| \right| \\ & \leq \phi(\|u_{-2k+2} - u_{-2l+2}\|) + \phi(\|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\|) \\ & \leq 2\phi(\delta_{2j}). \end{aligned}$$

Let k, l be such that  $-2^{m-1} \le k, l \le 2^{m-1}$  with  $|k-l| = 2^{m-1}$  and

(5) 
$$\delta_{2^m} = ||u_{2k} - u_{2l}||.$$

Since  $||u_{2k} - u_{2l}|| = ||u_{-2k} - u_{-2l}||$ ,  $2^{m-2} \le |k| \le 2m - 1$  or  $2^{m-2} \le |l| \le 2m - 1$ , there is no loss of generality to assume that  $k \ge 2^{m-2}$ .

Applying (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| - \|u_{2m} - u_{0}\| \right| \\ & \leq & \left| \|u_{2k} - u_{2l}\| - \|u_{2k+2} - u_{2l+2}\| \right| + \dots + \dots \\ & + \left| \|u_{2m-2} - u_{-2}\| - \|u_{2m} - u_{0}\| \right| \\ & \leq & (2^{m-1} - k)\phi(\delta_{2m}) \\ & \leq & 2^{m-1}\phi(\delta_{2m}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get

(6) 
$$||u_{2k} - u_{2l}|| - 2^{m-1}\phi(\delta_{2^m}) \le ||u_{2^m} - u_0||.$$

Thus (5) and (6) imply

$$\delta_{2^{m+1}} \geq ||u_{2^{-m}} - u_{2^m}|| = 2||u_{2^m} - u_0||$$
  
$$\geq 2\delta_{2^m} - 2^m \phi(\delta_{2^m})$$

for 
$$m = 1, 2, 3, ...$$

LEMMA 2. If  $j \leq \frac{d}{4(\phi(d)+\psi(d))}$ , then  $\triangle_{2j} \leq \frac{3d}{4}$ .

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we can assume that  $\phi(d) \leq \frac{d}{4}$  and  $\psi(d) \leq \frac{d}{4}$ . Since  $\triangle_0 \leq \frac{d}{2} \leq \frac{3d}{4}$ , we assume that  $\triangle_{2k} \leq \frac{3d}{4}$ , for 0 < k < j

(7) 
$$||u_{-2k} - y|| = ||au_{-2k} - ay|| = ||u_{2k} - x||$$
$$\leq \Delta_{2k} \leq \frac{3d}{4}.$$

Hence we have

$$\left| \|f(u_{-2k}) - f(y)\| - \|u_{-2k} - y\| \right| \le \phi(\|u_{-2k} - y\|) \le \phi(d).$$

Thus by (7) and our assumption we have

(8) 
$$||f(u_{-2k}) - f(y)|| \le ||u_{-2k} - y|| + \phi(d) \le d.$$

So we obtain

(9) 
$$||f(u_{2k+2}) - f(x)|| = ||v_{-2k-1} - f(x)||$$
$$= ||bv_{-2k-1} - bf(x)||$$
$$= ||v_{2k+1} - f(y)||$$
$$= ||f(u_{-2k}) - f(y)||.$$

From (8) and (9) we have

(10) 
$$\left| \left| \left| \left| u_{2k+2} - x \right| \right| - \left| \left| f(u_{2k+2}) - f(x) \right| \right| \right|$$

$$\leq \psi(\left| \left| f(u_{2k+2}) - f(x) \right| \right|) \leq \psi(d).$$

Thus (9) and (10) imply

$$\left| \|u_{2k+2} - x\| - \|u_{2k} - x\| \right|$$

$$= \left| \|u_{2k+2} - x\| - \|au_{2k} - ax\| \right|$$

$$= \left| \|u_{2k+2} - x\| - \|u_{-2k} - y\| \right|$$

$$\leq \left| \|u_{2k+2} - x\| - \|f(u_{2k+2}) - f(x)\| \right|$$

$$+ \left| \|f(u_{2k+2}) - f(x)\| - \|f(u_{-2k}) - y\| \right|$$

$$+ \left| \|f(u_{-2k}) - f(y)\| - \|u_{-2k} - y\| \right|$$

$$\leq \phi(d) + \psi(d).$$

Replacing x by y in (11), we have

$$\triangle_{2k+2} \le \triangle_{2k} + \phi(d) + \psi(d).$$

Since  $\triangle_0 = \frac{d}{2}$ , using induction we have

$$\triangle_{2k+2} \le \frac{d}{2} + (k+1)(\phi(d) + \psi(d)).$$

Since 
$$k+1 \leq j$$
,  $\triangle_{2k+2} \leq \frac{3}{4}d$ .

Proof of the Theorem 1. Suppose there exists the largest non-negative integer m such that  $2^m \leq \frac{d}{4(\phi(d)+\psi(d))}$ .

By Lemma 2,  $\triangle_{2^{m+1}} \leq d$ . Since  $\delta_{2j} \leq 2\triangle_{2j}$  for every j, we have

$$\delta_{2^{m-k}} \le \delta_{2^{m+1}} \le 2\triangle_{2^{m+1}} \le 2d$$

for  $k = -1, 0, 1, \dots, m - 1$ .

By Lemma 1, we get

(13) 
$$\delta_{2^{m-k}} \le \frac{1}{2} \delta_{2^{m-k+1}} + 2^{m-k-1} \phi(\delta_{2^{m-k}}).$$

We will prove that

(14) 
$$\delta_{2^{m-k}} \leq 2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} \max(1, 2^{\alpha-1}) d$$
 for  $k = -1, 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ .

If k = -1, we have from (12)

$$\delta_{2^{m+1}} \le 2d \le 2\max(1, 2^{\alpha-1})d$$

Suppose (14) holds for k-1,  $0 \le k \le m-1$ . Using (12) and (13),

$$\begin{split} \delta_{2^{m-k}} & \leq & \frac{1}{2} \delta_{2^{m-k+1}} + 2^{m-k-1} \phi(\delta_{2^{m-k}}) \\ & \leq & \frac{1}{2} \delta_{2^{m-k+1}} + \frac{d}{4(\phi(d) + \psi(d))} 2^{-k-1} \phi(2d) \\ & \leq & \frac{1}{2} \delta_{2^{m-k+1}} + 2^{-k-3} 2^{\alpha} d \\ & \leq & 2^{-\frac{k}{2}} [\max(1, 2^{\alpha-1}) + 2^{\frac{-k-6}{2}} 2^{\alpha}] d \\ & \leq & 2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} \max(1, 2^{\alpha-1}) d. \end{split}$$

Using Lemma 1 repeatedly, if  $m \ge 1$ , we obtain for m = 1, 2, 3, ...

$$\delta_{2^{m+1}} \ge 2^m \delta_2 - 2^m \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \phi(\delta_{2^{m-k}}).$$

Hence we have

(15) 
$$\delta_2 + \phi(\delta_2) \le 2^{-m} \delta_{2^{m+1}} + \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \phi(\delta_{2^{m-k}}) + \phi(\delta_2).$$

Since  $\frac{d}{4(\phi(d)+\psi(d))} \le 2^{m+1}$ ,  $2^{-m} \le \frac{8(\phi(d)+\psi(d))}{d}$ . Thus (12) and (14) imply

(16) 
$$\delta_2 + \phi(\delta_2) \le 16\phi(d) + 16\psi(d) + \sum_{k=-1}^{m-1} \phi(2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} \max(1, 2^{\alpha-1})d)$$

for m = 1, 2, 3, ...

If  $\frac{d}{4(\phi(d)+\psi(d))} < 2$ , then (12) and (14) imply

(17) 
$$\delta_2 + \phi(\delta_2) \le 16\phi(d) + 16\psi(d) + \phi(2\max(1, 2^{\alpha - 1})d).$$

Since n > m, (16) and (17) imply

$$\delta_2 + \phi(\delta_2) \le 16\phi(d) + 16\psi(d) + \sum_{k=-1}^{n-1} \phi(2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} \max(1, 2^{\alpha-1})d)$$

and

$$||f(u) - v|| = ||v_0 - v_1||$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}||v_{-1} - v_1||$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}||f(u_2) - f(u_0)||$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2}(\delta_2 + \phi(\delta_2)).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

THEOREM 2. Let X and Y be real Banach spaces and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , p > 1. Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a bijective  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry with f(0) = 0 and, let  $f^{-1}: Y \to X$  be uniformly continuous. Then there exist a constant  $\delta > 0$  and  $N(\varepsilon, p)$  such that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} N(\varepsilon, p) = 0$  and a unique surjective isometry  $I: X \to Y$  satisfying

$$||f(x) - I(x)|| \le N(\varepsilon, p) ||x||^p$$

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \le \delta$ .

*Proof.* Since 
$$t \leq 2(t - \varepsilon t^p)$$
 for  $t \leq (2\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{1-p}}$ , we have 
$$\left| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \right| \leq \varepsilon 2^p \|f(x) - f(y)\|^p$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||x - y|| \le (2\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{1-p}}$ .

Since  $f^{-1}$  is uniformly continuous, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$||x-y|| \le (2\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{1-p}}$$
 if  $||f(x)-f(y)|| \le \delta$ .

Hence we obtain

$$\Big| \|f(x) - f(y)\| - \|x - y\| \Big| \le \varepsilon 2^p \|f(x) - f(y)\|^p$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||f(x) - f(y)|| \le \delta$ . Let  $||x - y|| = d \le \delta$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

By Theorem 1, we get

$$||f(\frac{x+y}{2}) - \frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2}||$$

$$\leq 8\varepsilon d^{p} + 8\varepsilon 2^{p} d^{p} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-1}^{n-1} \varepsilon (2^{\frac{1-k}{2}} 2^{p-1})^{p} d^{p}$$

$$= M(\varepsilon, p) ||x - y||^{p},$$

\* where  $M(\varepsilon, p) = \varepsilon [8(1+2^p) + \frac{2^{p^2 - \frac{p}{2} - 1}}{2^{\frac{p}{2}} - 1}].$ 

Since f(0) = 0, we obtain

(18) 
$$||f(\frac{x}{2}) - \frac{f(x)}{2}|| \le M(\varepsilon, p)||x||^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $||x|| \leq \delta$ .

For a given  $x \in X$ , there is a positive integer n such that  $||2^{-n}x|| < \delta$ . If m > n, replacing x by  $2^{-m}x$  in (18), we have

$$||f(2^{-m-1}x) - \frac{1}{2}f(2^{-m}x)|| \le M((\varepsilon, p)||2^{-m}x||^p.$$

Hence we obtain

$$||2^m f(2^{-m}x) - 2^n f(2^{-n}x)|| \le \frac{2M(\varepsilon, p)}{1 - 2^{1-p}} 2^{n(1-p)} ||x||^p.$$

Thus  $\{2^nf(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. So we define  $I:X\to Y$  by  $I(x)=\lim_{n\to\infty}2^nf(2^{-n}x)$  for all  $x\in X$ . Hence we get

(19) 
$$||f(x) - I(x)|| \le N(\varepsilon, p) ||x||^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $||x|| \leq \delta$ , where  $N(\varepsilon, p) = \frac{2M(\varepsilon, p)}{1 - 2^{1-p}}$ .

Since f is an  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry and

$$\left| \|2^n f(2^{-n}x) - 2^n f(2^{-n}y)\| - \|x - y\| \right| \le \varepsilon 2^{(1-p)n} \|x - y\|^p$$

for all  $n \in N$ , I is an isometry.

Next we will show that I is an unique mapping satisfying (19). Let I' be an another isometry satisfying (19). Since I and I' are linear, a given  $x \in X$ 

$$||I(x) - I'(x)|| = ||2^{n}I(2^{-n}x) - 2^{n}I'(2^{-n}x)||$$
  
$$\leq 2N(\varepsilon, p)2^{n(1-p)}||x||^{p}$$

for sufficiently large  $n \in N$ . Thus I(x) = I'(x) for all  $x \in X$ .

Finally we will show that I is surjective. Assume that there is a nonzero  $y \in Y$  so that  $||y - I(x)|| \ge \alpha > 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . Then there is a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $f(x_n) = \frac{1}{n}y$ . Since  $f^{-1}$  is continuous,  $||x_n|| \to 0$ and

$$||f(x_n) - I(x_n)|| \ge \frac{1}{n}\alpha$$

for all  $n \in N$ .

Since f is an  $(\varepsilon, p)$ -isometry, we have

$$\left| \|x_n\| - \frac{1}{n} \|y\| \right| \le \varepsilon \|x\|^p$$

for all  $n \in N$ . Thus  $||x_n|| = O(\frac{1}{n})$ , and so  $||x_n||^p = O(\frac{1}{n})$ . Since  $||f(x_n) - I(x_n)|| \le N(\varepsilon, p) ||x_n||^p$ 

for sufficiently large  $n \in N$ , we obtain

$$||f(x_n) - I(x_n)|| = O(\frac{1}{n}).$$

This contradicts to (20). This completes the proof.

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