# ADDITIVE ρ-FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS IN NON-ARCHIMEDEAN BANACH SPACE

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we solve the additive  $\rho$ -functional equations (0.1)  $f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) = \rho \left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)\right)$ , where  $\rho$  is a fixed non-Archimedean number with  $|\rho| < 1$ , and (0.2)  $2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) = \rho(f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x))$ , where  $\rho$  is a fixed non-Archimedean number with  $|\rho| < |2|$ .

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Furthermore, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the additive  $\rho$ -functional equations (0.1) and (0.2) in non-Archimedean Banach spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

A valuation is a function  $|\cdot|$  from a field K into  $[0, \infty)$  such that 0 is the unique element having the 0 valuation,  $|rs| = |r| \cdot |s|$  and the triangle inequality holds, i.e.,

$$|r+s| \le |r|+|s|, \qquad \forall r, s \in K.$$

A field K is called a *valued field* if K carries a valuation. The usual absolute values of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  are examples of valuations.

Let us consider a valuation which satisfies a stronger condition than the triangle inequality. If the triangle inequality is replaced by

$$|r+s| \le \max\{|r|, |s|\}, \qquad \forall r, s \in K,$$

then the function  $|\cdot|$  is called a *non-Archimedean valuation*, and the field is called a *non-Archimedean field*. Clearly |1| = |-1| = 1 and  $|n| \le 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . A trivial

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example of a non-Archimedean valuation is the function  $| \cdot |$  taking everything except for 0 into 1 and |0| = 0.

Throughout this paper, we assume that the base field is a non-Archimedean field, hence call it simply a field.

**Definition 1.1** ([7]). Let X be a vector space over a field K with a non-Archimedean valuation  $|\cdot|$ . A function  $||\cdot||: X \to [0, \infty)$  is said to be a *non-Archimedean* norm if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) ||x|| = 0 if and only if x = 0;
- (ii) ||rx|| = |r|||x||  $(r \in K, x \in X);$
- (iii) the strong triangle inequality

$$||x + y|| \le \max\{||x||, ||y||\}, \quad \forall x, y \in X$$

holds. Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a non-Archimedean normed space.

**Definition 1.2.** (i) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a non-Archimedean normed space X. Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is called *Cauchy* if for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a positive integer N such that

$$\|x_n - x_m\| \le \varepsilon$$

for all  $n, m \geq N$ .

(ii) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a non-Archimedean normed space X. Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is called *convergent* if for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there are a positive integer N and an  $x \in X$  such that

$$\|x_n - x\| \le \varepsilon$$

for all  $n \ge N$ . Then we call  $x \in X$  a limit of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$ , and denote by  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x$ .

(iii) If every Cauchy sequence in X converges, then the non-Archimedean normed space X is called a *non-Archimedean Banach space*.

The stability problem of functional equations originated from a question of Ulam [10] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. Hyers [6] gave a first affirmative partial answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. Hyers' Theorem was generalized by Aoki [1] for additive mappings and by Rassias [8] for linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference. A generalization of the Rassias theorem was obtained by Găvruta [5] by replacing the unbounded Cauchy difference by a general control function in the spirit of Rassias' approach. The functional equation f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) is called the *Jensen type additive equation*.

The functional equation f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y) is called the quadratic functional equation. In particular, every solution of the quadratic functional equation is said to be a *quadratic mapping*. The stability of quadratic functional equation was proved by Skof [9] for mappings  $f : E_1 \to E_2$ , where  $E_1$  is a normed space and  $E_2$  is a Banach space. Cholewa [4] noticed that the theorem of Skof is still true if the relevant domain  $E_1$  is replaced by an Abelian group. The stability problems of various functional equations have been extensively investigated by a number of authors (see [2, 3]).

In this paper, we solve the additive  $\rho$ -functional equations (0.1) and (0.2) and prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the additive  $\rho$ -functional equations (0.1) and (0.2) in non-Archimedean Banach spaces.

Throughout this paper, assume that X is a non-Archimedean normed space and that Y is a non-Archimedean Banach space. Let  $|2| \neq 1$ .

# 2. Additive $\rho$ -functional Equation (0.1) in Non-Archimedean Normed Spaces

Throughout this section, assume that  $\rho$  is a fixed non-Archimedean number with  $|\rho| < 1$ .

In this section, we solve the additive  $\rho$ -functional equation (0.1) in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

**Lemma 2.1.** If a mapping  $f : X \to Y$  satisfies f(0) = 0 and (2.1)  $f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) = \rho\left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)\right)$ for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f : X \to Y$  is additive.

*Proof.* Assume that  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies (2.1).

Letting y = x in (2.1), we get f(2x) - 2f(x) = 0 and so f(2x) = 2f(x) for all  $x \in X$ . Thus

(2.2) 
$$f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}f(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

It follows from (2.1) and (2.2) that

$$f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) = \rho\left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)\right)$$
  
=  $\rho(f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x))$ 

and so f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) for all  $x, y \in X$ . It is easy to show that f is additive.

We prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the additive  $\rho$ -functional equation (2.1) in non-Archimedean Banach spaces.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let r < 1 and  $\theta$  be nonnegative real numbers and let  $f : X \to Y$  be a mapping satisfying f(0) = 0 and

(2.3) 
$$\left\| f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - \rho \left( 2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) \right) \right\|$$
$$\leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)$$

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

(2.4) 
$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{2\theta}{|2|^r} ||x||^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Letting y = x in (2.3), we get

(2.5) 
$$||f(2x) - 2f(x)|| \le 2\theta ||x||^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So  $\left\|f(x) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right\| \le \frac{2}{|2|^r} \theta \|x\|^r$  for all  $x \in X$ . Hence

$$(2.6) \left\| 2^{l} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2^{m} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \\ \leq \max \left\{ \left\| 2^{l} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2^{l+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+1}}\right) \right\|, \cdots, \left\| 2^{m-1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m-1}}\right) - 2^{m} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ = \max \left\{ |2|^{l} \left\| f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+1}}\right) \right\|, \cdots, |2|^{m-1} \left\| f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m-1}}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ \leq \max \left\{ \frac{|2|^{l}}{|2|^{rl+r}}, \cdots, \frac{|2|^{m-1}}{|2|^{r(m-1)+r}} \right\} 2\theta \|x\|^{r} = \frac{2\theta}{|2|^{(r-1)l+r}} \|x\|^{r}$$

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

$$A(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f(\frac{x}{2^n})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting l = 0 and passing the limit  $m \to \infty$  in (2.6), we get (2.4).

It follows from (2.3) that

$$\begin{split} \left\| A(x+y) + A(x-y) - 2A(x) - \rho \left( 2A \left( \frac{x+y}{2} \right) + A \left( x-y \right) - 2A(x) \right) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \to \infty} |2|^n \left\| f \left( \frac{x+y}{2^n} \right) + f \left( \frac{x-y}{2^n} \right) - 2f \left( \frac{x}{2^n} \right) \right. \\ &\left. - \rho \left( 2f \left( \frac{x+y}{2^{n+1}} \right) + f \left( \frac{x-y}{2^n} \right) - 2f \left( \frac{x}{2^n} \right) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|2|^n \theta}{|2|^{nr}} (\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r) = 0 \end{split}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . So

$$A(x+y) + A(x-y) - 2A(x) = \rho\left(2A\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + A(x-y) - 2A(x)\right)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . By Lemma 2.1, the mapping  $A : X \to Y$  is additive .

Now, let  $T: X \to Y$  be another additive mapping satisfying (2.4). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|A(x) - T(x)\| &= \left\| 2^q A\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - 2^q T\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) \right\| \\ &\leq \max\left\{ \left\| 2^q A\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - 2^q f\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) \right\|, \left\| 2^q T\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) - 2^q f\left(\frac{x}{2^q}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{2\theta}{|2|^{(r-1)q+r}} \|x\|^r, \end{aligned}$$

which tends to zero as  $q \to \infty$  for all  $x \in X$ . So we can conclude that A(x) = T(x) for all  $x \in X$ . This proves the uniqueness of h. Thus the mapping  $A : X \to Y$  is a unique additive mapping satisfying (2.4).

**Theorem 2.3.** Let r > 1 and  $\theta$  be nonnegative real numbers and let  $f : X \to Y$  be a mapping satisfying f(0) = 0 and (2.3). Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : X \to Y$  such that

$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{2\theta}{|2|} ||x||^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* It follows from (2.5) that

$$\left\|f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(2x)\right\| \le \frac{2}{|2|}\theta \|x\|^r$$

for all 
$$x \in X$$
. Hence  

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{1}{2^{l}} f\left(2^{l} x\right) - \frac{1}{2^{m}} f\left(2^{m} x\right) \right\| \\ &\leq \max\left\{ \left\| \frac{1}{2^{l}} f\left(2^{l} x\right) - \frac{1}{2^{l+1}} f\left(2^{l+1} x\right) \right\|, \cdots, \left\| \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} f\left(2^{m-1} x\right) - \frac{1}{2^{m}} f\left(2^{m} x\right) \right\| \right\} \\ &= \max\left\{ \frac{1}{|2|^{l}} \left\| f\left(2^{l} x\right) - \frac{1}{2} f\left(2^{l+1} x\right) \right\|, \cdots, \frac{1}{|2|^{m-1}} \left\| f\left(2^{m-1} x\right) - \frac{1}{2} f\left(2^{m} x\right) \right\| \right\} \\ &\leq \max\left\{ \frac{|2|^{lr}}{|2|^{l+1}}, \cdots, \frac{|2|^{r(m-1)}}{|2|^{(m-1)+1}} \right\} 2\theta \|x\|^{r} = \frac{2\theta}{|2|^{(1-r)l+1}} \|x\|^{r} \end{aligned}$$

for all nonnegative integers m and l with m > l and all  $x \in X$ .

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

#### 3. Additive $\rho$ -functional Equation (0.2)

Throughout this section, assume that  $\rho$  is a fixed non-Archimedean number with  $|\rho| < |2|$ .

In this section, we solve the additive  $\rho$ -functional equation (0.2) in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

**Lemma 3.1.** If a mapping  $f : X \to Y$  satisfies (3.1)  $2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) = \rho(f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x))$ for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f : X \to Y$  is additive.

Proof. Assume that  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies (3.1). Letting x = y = 0 in (3.1), we get f(0) = 0. Letting y = 0 in (3.1), we get

(3.2) 
$$2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = f(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

It follows from (3.1) and (3.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) &= 2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) \\ &= \rho(f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)) \end{aligned}$$

and so f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) for all  $x, y \in X$ . It is easy to show that f is additive.

We prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the additive  $\rho$ -functional equation (3.1) in non-Archimedean Banach spaces.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let r < 1 and  $\theta$  be nonnegative real numbers, and let  $f : X \to Y$  be a mapping such that

(3.3) 
$$\left\| 2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - \rho(f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)) \right\| \\ \leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)$$

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

(3.4) 
$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \theta ||x||$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Letting y = 0 in (3.3), we get

(3.5) 
$$\left\|2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - f(x)\right\| \le \theta \|x\|^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So

$$(3.6) \qquad \left\| 2^{l} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2^{m} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \\ \leq \max\left\{ \left\| 2^{l} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2^{l+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+1}}\right) \right\|, \cdots, \left\| 2^{m-1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m-1}}\right) - 2^{m} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ = \max\left\{ |2|^{l} \left\| f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l}}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2^{l+1}}\right) \right\|, \cdots, |2|^{m-1} \left\| f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m-1}}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2^{m}}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ \leq \max\left\{ \frac{|2|^{l}}{|2|^{rl}}, \cdots, \frac{|2|^{m-1}}{|2|^{r(m-1)}} \right\} \theta \|x\|^{r} = \frac{\theta}{|2|^{(r-1)l}} \|x\|^{r}$$

for all nonnegative integers m and l with m > l and all  $x \in X$ . It follows from (3.6) that the sequence  $\{2^n f(\frac{x}{2^n})\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since Y is complete, the sequence  $\{2^n f(\frac{x}{2^n})\}$  converges. So one can define the mapping  $A: X \to Y$  by

$$A(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f(\frac{x}{2^n})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting l = 0 and passing the limit  $m \to \infty$  in (3.6), we get (3.4).

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

**Theorem 3.3.** Let r > 1 and  $\theta$  be positive real numbers, and let  $f : X \to Y$  be a mapping satisfying (3.3). Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : X \to Y$ 

such that

(3.7) 
$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{|2|^r \theta}{|2|} ||x||^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* It follows from (3.5) that

$$\left\| f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(2x) \right\| \le \frac{|2|^r \theta}{|2|} \|x\|^r$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Hence

$$(3.8)$$

$$\left\|\frac{1}{2^{l}}f(2^{l}x) - \frac{1}{2^{m}}f(2^{m}x)\right\|$$

$$\leq \max\left\{\left\|\frac{1}{2^{l}}f\left(2^{l}x\right) - \frac{1}{2^{l+1}}f\left(2^{l+1}x\right)\right\|, \cdots, \left\|\frac{1}{2^{m-1}}f\left(2^{m-1}x\right) - \frac{1}{2^{m}}f\left(2^{m}x\right)\right\|\right\}$$

$$= \max\left\{\frac{1}{|2|^{l}}\left\|f\left(2^{l}x\right) - \frac{1}{2}f\left(2^{l+1}x\right)\right\|, \cdots, \frac{1}{|2|^{m-1}}\left\|f\left(2^{m-1}x\right) - \frac{1}{2}f\left(2^{m}x\right)\right\|\right\}$$

$$\leq \max\left\{\frac{|2|^{rl}}{|2|^{l+1}}, \cdots, \frac{|2|^{r(m-1)}}{|2|^{(m-1)+1}}\right\}|2|^{r}\theta\|x\|^{r} = \frac{|2|^{r}\theta}{|2|^{(1-r)l+1}}\|x\|^{r}$$

for all nonnegative integers m and l with m > l and all  $x \in X$ . It follows from (3.8) that the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^n}f(2^nx)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since Y is complete, the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^n}f(2^nx)\}$  converges. So one can define the mapping  $A: X \to Y$  by

$$A(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} f(2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting l = 0 and passing the limit  $m \to \infty$  in (3.8), we get (3.7).

The rest of the proof is similar to the proofs of Theorems 2.2 and 3.2.  $\Box$ 

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