

ULAM TYPE STABILITY FOR NONLINEAR HAHN DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS WITH DELAY

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ABSTRACT. In this article, we study the Ulam type stability of nonlinear Hahn difference equations with delay over a finite interval. First, we use the Banach fixed point theorem to prove the existence and uniqueness of a solution. Then we establish the Ulam stability for first and second order nonlinear Hahn difference equations with delay. We also extend our analysis to n -th order nonlinear Hahn difference equations with delay. To illustrate our theoretical findings, we provide three examples.

1. INTRODUCTION

Hahn [10] developed a difference operator, by drawing from two well-known difference operators: the forward difference operator [4] and the Jackson q -difference operator [3, 5, 6, 27]. Subsequently, Annaby et al. [2] extended the concept by introducing the q, ω -integral a function, which encompasses both Nörlund sums and Jackson q -integrals. Hamaz et al. [11, 16] explored the existence and uniqueness of solutions to Hahn difference equations using the method of successive approximations and examined the stability of first-order Hahn difference equations. Abdelkhaliq et al. [1] investigated the stability of Hahn difference equations within Banach spaces. Additional results on the Hahn difference operator can be found in references [12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24].

Ulam stability originated from a query about stability addressed in [29], and was later termed Ulam-Hyers stability by Hyers [19]. Rassias [25] further developed this concept into Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability by incorporating additional variables in the form of functions. Following this, numerous studies have explored the Ulam stability of various equations [8, 9, 20, 21, 26]. For instance, Rus [28] examined Ulam stability in ordinary differential equations, Otrocol et al. [23] looked into the Ulam stability of delay differential equations, and Hamaz et al. [13] studied the Ulam stability of first-order linear quantum difference equations.

Inspired by [15, 28, 23], we consider the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s) &= F(t, x(s), x(\Theta(s))), \quad s \in I_1 = [\omega_0, b], \\ x(s) &= y(s), \quad s \in I_2 = [\omega_0 - h_0, \omega_0], \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

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where $F : I_1 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\Theta : I_1 \rightarrow I_3$, $I_3 = I_1 \cup I_2$, are continuous at $s = \omega_0$, $\Theta(s) \leq s$, $h_0 > 0$ and $y : I_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the initial value condition. We demonstrate both the existence and uniqueness of the solution to equation (1.1) on I_3 using the Banach fixed point theorem. Additionally, we explore the Ulam stability of equation (1.1) on I_3 . Unlike [11], where the method of successive approximations was used and the function f needed to be continuous on the plane $I_1 \times \mathbb{R}$, our approach requires f to be continuous specifically at $s = \omega_0$.

Secondly, we examine the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^2 x(s) &= F(s, x(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s), x(\Theta(s))), \quad s \in I_1, \\ x(s) &= y(s), \quad \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s) = \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} y(s), \quad s \in I_2, \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

where $F : I_1 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$. We analyze the existence and uniqueness of the solution to equation (1.2) on I_3 using the Banach fixed point theorem. Subsequently, we establish the Ulam stability of equation (1.2) on I_3 employing Gronwall's inequality. Finally, we analyze the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^n x(s) &= F(s, x(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s), \dots, \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^{n-1} x(s), x(\Theta(s))), \quad s \in I_1, \\ x(s) &= y(s), \quad \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^j x(s) = \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^j y(s), \quad s \in I_2, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where $F : I_1 \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$. We extend the results of the Ulam stability to equation (1.3) on I_3 .

The remainder of this article is organized as follows: In Section 2, we present notations and relevant preliminaries for the paper. Section 3 is dedicated to the study of the Ulam stability of equation (1.1) on interval I_3 . In Section 4, we establish the Ulam stability of equation (1.2) on interval I_3 , and provides direct results on the Ulam stability of equation (1.3). Finally, Section 5 includes examples to illustrate these theoretical findings.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout the article, \mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers, \mathbb{R}_+ signifies the set of non-negative real numbers, \mathbb{N}_+ refers to the set of positive integers, and I_0 represents any interval of \mathbb{R} that includes ω_0 .

We define these function spaces

$$S(I_3, \mathbb{R}) = \{f : I_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f(s) \text{ is continuous at } s = \omega_0 \text{ and bounded}\},$$

$$S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+) = \{f : I_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ : f(s) \text{ is continuous at } s = \omega_0 \text{ and bounded}\}.$$

Let $S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ have a subspace $S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ in which all functions are increasing. Obviously,

$$S(I_3, \mathbb{R}) \supseteq S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+) \supseteq S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+).$$

For $S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$, $S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ and $S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$, let the metric ρ be defined by

$$\rho(v_1, v_2) = \max_{s \in I_3} |v_1(s) - v_2(s)|.$$

Then it is obvious that $S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$, $S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ and $S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ are complete metric spaces.

Definition 2.1. [10] Assume function $f : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$. Then Hahn difference operator is defined by

$$\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} f(s) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(qs+\omega) - f(t)}{s(q-1)+\omega}, & t \neq \omega_0, \\ f'(\omega_0), & t = \omega_0, \end{cases}$$

where $0 < q < 1$ and $\omega > 0$ are constants, $\omega_0 = \frac{\omega}{1-q}$.

Definition 2.2. [2] Assume function $\mathbf{g} : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$ and let $[a_1, a_2] \subset I_0$. Then the Hahn integral of \mathbf{g} from a_1 to a_2 has the form

$$\int_{a_1}^{a_2} \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 = \int_{\omega_0}^{a_2} \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 - \int_{\omega_0}^{a_1} \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1,$$

where

$$\int_{\omega_0}^x \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 = (x(1-q) - \omega) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j \mathbf{g}(\sigma^j(x)) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\sigma^j(x) - \sigma^{j+1}(x)) \mathbf{g}(\sigma^j(x))$$

for $x \in I_0$, and

$$\sigma^j(x) = q^j x + \omega[j]_q, \quad x \in I_0, \quad [j]_q = \frac{1 - q^j}{1 - q},$$

and the series $(x(1-q) - \omega) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^k \mathbf{g}(\sigma^k(x))$ converges at $x = a_1$ and $x = a_2$.

We can noted that

$$\left| \int_{a_1}^{a_2} \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \right| \leq \int_{a_1}^{a_2} |\mathbf{g}(s_1)| d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad \forall a_1, a_2 \in I_0, a_1 < a_2,$$

is not necessarily true [2]. However, for $a_1 = \omega_0$, we can obtain

$$\left| \int_{\omega_0}^{a_2} \mathbf{g}(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \right| \leq \int_{\omega_0}^{a_2} |\mathbf{g}(s_1)| d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad \forall a_2 \in I_0, a_2 > \omega_0.$$

Additionally, we can obtain that

$$\int_{\omega_0}^{a_1} |\mathbf{g}(s_1)| d_{q,\omega} s_1 \leq \int_{\omega_0}^{a_2} |\mathbf{g}(s_1)| d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad \forall a_1, a_2 \in I_0, \omega_0 < a_1 < a_2, \quad (2.1)$$

is not necessarily true. If function $|\mathbf{g}|$ is increasing on I_0 , inequality (2.1) holds.

Definition 2.3. [2] Assume function $\zeta : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$ and $1 - \zeta(s)(s - \sigma(s)) \neq 0, \forall s \in I_0$. Then exponential functions $e_\zeta(s)$ and $E_\zeta(s)$ are given by

$$e_\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{\prod_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 - \zeta(\sigma^j(s)) q^j (s - \sigma(s)))}, \quad (2.2)$$

$$E_\zeta(s) = \prod_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + \zeta(\sigma^j(s)) q^j (s - \sigma(s))). \quad (2.3)$$

It is obvious that (2.2) and (2.3) are convergent since $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\zeta(\sigma^j(s))| q^j (s - \sigma(s))$ is convergent. For $\zeta(s) = a_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ for all $s \in I_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} e_{a_0}(s) &= \frac{1}{\prod_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 - a_0 q^j (s - \sigma(s)))} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_0 (s - \sigma(s)))^j}{(q : q)_j}, \quad |s - \omega_0| < \frac{1}{|a_0(1-q)|}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

and

$$E_{a_0}(s) = \prod_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + a_0 q^j (s - \sigma(s))) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{\frac{1}{2}j(j-1)} (a_0 (s - \sigma(s)))^j}{(q : q)_j}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$(a : q)_n = \begin{cases} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - aq^{j-1}), & n \in \mathbb{N}_+, \\ 1, & n = 0. \end{cases}$$

The proofs of (2.4) and (2.5) can be found in [7].

Lemma 2.4 ([2]). *Assume $f, g : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous at $s = \omega_0$. Then*

$$\int_a^b g(s) \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}(f(s)) d_{q,\omega} s + \int_a^b \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}(g(s)) f(\sigma(s)) d_{q,\omega} s = f(s)g(s) \Big|_a^b, \quad a, b \in I_0.$$

Lemma 2.5 (Gronwall's inequality). *Assume $f, g : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous at $s = \omega_0$ and $\zeta : I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is continuous at $s = \omega_0$. Let $1 - \zeta(s)(s - \sigma(s)) > 0$ for all $s \in I_0$. If*

$$f(s) \leq g(s) + \int_{\omega_0}^s \zeta(s_1) f(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad \forall s \in I_0,$$

then

$$f(s) \leq g(s) + e_{\zeta}(s) \int_{\omega_0}^s \zeta(s_1) E_{-\sigma(s_1)}(s_1) g(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1. \quad (2.6)$$

Let $\zeta(s) = a_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+$, for all $s \in I_0$. If

$$f(s) \leq g(s) + \int_{\omega_0}^s a_0 f(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad s \in [\omega_0, \omega_0 + \frac{1}{a_0(1-q)}],$$

then

$$f(s) \leq g(s) + a_0 e_{a_0}(s) \int_{\omega_0}^s E_{-\sigma(s_1)}(s_1) g(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1.$$

Lemma 2.6 ([23]). *Assume (Y, d, \leq) is an ordered metric space. $V : Y \rightarrow Y$ is an increasing Picard operator ($F_V = \{y_V^*\}$ denotes the fixed point set of operator V). Then, for $y \in Y$, we have*

- (i) if $y \leq V(y)$, then $y \leq y_V^*$;
- (ii) if $y \geq V(y)$, then $y \geq y_V^*$.

3. ULAM STABILITY OF EQUATION (1.1)

Definition 3.1 ([28]). *Assuming there is a real number $c > 0$, for for all $\varepsilon > 0$ and for all y satisfy*

$$|\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} y(s) - F(s, y(s), y(\Theta(s)))| \leq \varepsilon, \quad s \in I_1, \quad (3.1)$$

equation (1.1) has a solution x with

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq c\varepsilon, \quad \forall s \in I_3.$$

Then (1.1) has Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .

Definition 3.2 ([28]). *Assuming there is a function $\theta : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ and $\theta(0) = 0$, for each solution y of inequality (3.1), equation (1.1) has a solution x with*

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq \theta(\varepsilon), \quad \forall s \in I_3.$$

Then (1.1) has generalized Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .

Definition 3.3 ([28]). Assuming there is $c > 0$, for all y satisfy

$$|\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s) - F(s, y(s), y(\Theta(s)))| \leq \varepsilon\varphi(s), \quad s \in I_1, \quad (3.2)$$

equation (1.1) has a solution x with

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq c\varepsilon\varphi(s), \quad \forall s \in I_3.$$

Then (1.1) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .

Definition 3.4 ([28]). Assuming there is $c > 0$, for all y satisfy

$$|\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s) - F(s, y(s), y(\Theta(s)))| \leq \varphi(s), \quad s \in I_1, \quad (3.3)$$

equation (1.1) has a solution x with

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq c\varphi(s), \quad \forall s \in I_3.$$

Then (1.1) has generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .

Remark 3.5. A function y satisfies inequality (3.1) if and only if there is a function $\beta : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

- (i) $|\beta(s)| \leq \varepsilon$ for all $s \in I_1$;
- (ii) $\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s) = F(s, y(s), y(\Theta(s))) + \beta(s)$ for all $s \in I_1$.

The same statements apply to inequalities (3.2) and (3.3).

In this article, we use the following assumptions:

(A1) there is a real number $L_F > 0$ such that for all $s \in I_1$, $x_j, y_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $j = 1, 2$,

$$|F(s, x_1, x_2) - F(s, y_1, y_2)| \leq L_F \sum_{j=1}^2 |x_j - y_j|.$$

(A2) $b - \omega_0 < \frac{1}{2L_F}$.

(A3) $\varphi : I_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing and continuous at $s = \omega_0$.

Theorem 3.6. Under assumptions (A1), (A2), Equation (1.1) has (i) a unique solution on I_3 , and (ii) Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .

Proof. (i) Equation (1.1) is equivalent to the Hahn integral equation

$$x(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ y(\omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s F(s_1, x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases} \quad (3.4)$$

We consider the mapping $G : S(I_3, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$ as

$$(Gx)(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ y(\omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s F(s_1, x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases}$$

For all $v \in S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(Gu)(s) - (Gv)(s)| &\leq \int_{\omega_0}^s |F(s_1, u(s_1), u(\Theta(s_1))) - F(s_1, v(s_1), v(\Theta(s_1)))|d_{q,\omega}s_1 \\ &\leq \int_{\omega_0}^s 2L_F \max_{s \in I_3} |u(s) - v(s)|d_{q,\omega}s_1 \\ &\leq 2L_F(b - \omega_0) \max_{s \in I_3} |u(s) - v(s)|. \end{aligned}$$

By (A2) and the Banach fixed point theorem, equation (1.1) has a unique solution on I_3 .

(ii) Let y satisfy (3.1) and x represent the unique solution of (1.1). Then we can get (3.4). Consequently, by Remark 3.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |y(s) - x(s)| \\ & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s |\beta(s_1)| d_{q,\omega} s_1 \\ & \quad + \left| \int_{\omega_0}^s F(s_1, y(s_1), y(\Theta(s_1))) - F(s_1, x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \right| \\ & \leq \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F(|y(s_1) - x(s_1)| + |y(\Theta(s_1)) - x(\Theta(s_1))|) d_{q,\omega} s_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Let us define $V : S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ by

$$(Vu)(s) = \begin{cases} 0, & s \in I_2, \\ \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F(u(s_1) + u(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases}$$

For all $u, v \in S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(Vu)(s) - (Vv)(s)| & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F(|u(s_1) - v(s_1)| + |u(\Theta(s_1)) - v(\Theta(s_1))|) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \\ & \leq 2L_F(b - \omega_0) \max_{s \in I_3} |u(s) - v(s)|. \end{aligned}$$

Then V is a contraction mapping in $S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$. For all $u_1, v_1 \in S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$, we can also obtain

$$|(Vu_1)(s) - (Vv_1)(s)| \leq 2L_F(b - \omega_0) \max_{s \in I_3} |u_1(s) - v_1(s)|.$$

Then V is also a contraction mapping in $S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$. Thus, according to Banach fixed theorem, V has the unique fixed point $u^* \in S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ in $S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$. We obtain

$$u^*(s) = \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F(u^*(s_1) + u^*(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad s \in I_1.$$

Since $u^* \in S_1(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ is increasing, we have

$$u^*(s) \leq \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s 2L_F u^*(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1, \quad s \in I_1. \quad (3.6)$$

By using Lemma 2.5 (Gronwall's inequality), from (3.6) it follows that

$$u^*(s) \leq \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) + e_{2L_F}(s) 2L_F \int_{\omega_0}^s E_{-2L_F}(\sigma(s_1)) \varepsilon(s_1 - \omega_0) d_{q,\omega} s_1.$$

Therefore, based on Lemma 2.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} u^*(s) & \leq \varepsilon(s - \omega_0) - e_{2L_F}(s) \int_{\omega_0}^s \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}(E_{-2L_F}(s_1)) \varepsilon(s_1 - \omega_0) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \\ & \leq \frac{\varepsilon(e_{2L_F}(b) - 1)}{2L_F}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $u = |y - x|$. According to (3.5), we have $u \leq V(u)$. By using Lemma 2.6, we obtain

$$u(s) \leq u^*(s), \quad s \in I_1.$$

Then

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(e_{2L_F}(b) - 1)}{2L_F}, \quad s \in I_1.$$

Thus equation (1.1) has Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 . \square

Corollary 3.7. *Under assumptions (A1)–(A3), Equation (1.1) has generalized Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .*

Theorem 3.8. *Under assumptions (A1)–(A3), Equation (1.1) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .*

Proof. By Theorem 3.6 (i), equation (1.1) has the unique solution on I_3 . Let y satisfy (3.2). We can obtain (3.4). Thus, by using Remark 3.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |y(s) - x(s)| \\ & \leq \varepsilon(b - \omega_0)\varphi(s) + \left| \int_{\omega_0}^s F(s_1, y(s_1), y(\Theta(s_1))) - F(s_1, x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \right| \\ & \leq \varepsilon(b - \omega_0)\varphi(s) + \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F(|y(s_1) - x(s_1)| + |y(\Theta(s_1)) - x(\Theta(s_1))|) d_{q,\omega} s_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

As in the proof of Theorem 3.6 (ii), let the operator $V : S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ be defined by

$$(Vu)(s) = \begin{cases} 0, & s \in I_2, \\ \varepsilon(b - \omega_0)\varphi(s) + \int_{\omega_0}^s L_F((Vu)(s_1) + (Vu)(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases}$$

Then, V has a unique fixed point $u^* \in S(I_3, \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that u^* is increasing and

$$u^*(s) \leq \varepsilon(b - \omega_0)\varphi(s) + \int_{\omega_0}^s 2L_F u^*(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1. \quad (3.8)$$

By Lemma 2.5, from (3.8) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} u^*(s) & \leq \varepsilon(b - \omega_0)\varphi(s) + e_{2L_F}(s) 2L_F(b - \omega_0) \int_{\omega_0}^s E_{-2L_F}(\sigma(s_1)) \varepsilon\varphi(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \\ & \leq (b - \omega_0) e_{2L_F}(b) \varepsilon\varphi(s). \end{aligned}$$

Then according to Lemma 2.6, we obtain

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq (b - \omega_0) e_{2L_F}(b) \varepsilon\varphi(s).$$

Thus, equation (1.1) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 . \square

Corollary 3.9. *Under assumptions (A1)–(A3), Equation (1.1) has generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .*

4. ULAM STABILITY OF EQUATION (1.2) AND (1.3)

4.1. Ulam stability of equation (1.2). In this section, let $S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$ be a Banach space in which all $u \in S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$ with the norm

$$\|u\|_{q,\omega} = \max \left\{ \max_{s \in I_3} |u(s)|, \max_{s \in I_3} |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} u(s)| \right\}.$$

Lemma 4.1. Equation (1.2) has a solution $x : I_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ in the form

$$x(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ y(\omega_0) + (s - \omega_0)\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(\omega_0) \\ \quad + \int_{\omega_0}^s (s - \sigma(s_1))F(s_1, x(s_1), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases} \quad (4.1)$$

Proof. Equation (1.2) is equivalent to the integral equation

$$x(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ y(\omega_0) + (s - \omega_0)\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(\omega_0) \\ \quad + \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} F(s_1, x(s_1), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1 d_{q,\omega}s_2, & s \in I_1. \end{cases} \quad (4.2)$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} F(s_1, x(s_1), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1 d_{q,\omega}s_2 \\ &= \int_{\omega_0}^s \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\sigma^j(s_2) - \sigma^{j+1}(s_2)) \\ & \quad \times F(\sigma^j(s_2), x(\sigma^j(s_2)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^j(s_2)), x(\Theta(\sigma^j(s_2))))d_{q,\omega}s_2 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\sigma^i(s) - \sigma^{i+1}(s))(\sigma^{j+i}(s) - \sigma^{j+i+1}(s)) \\ & \quad \times F(\sigma^{j+i}(s), x(\sigma^{j+i}(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^{j+i}(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^{j+i}(s)))) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^i (s - \sigma(s))q^{j+i} (s - \sigma(s)) \\ & \quad \times F(\sigma^{j+i}(s), x(\sigma^{j+i}(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^{j+i}(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^{j+i}(s)))) \\ &= (s - \sigma(s))^2 \left[F(s, x(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s), x(\Theta(s))) \right. \\ & \quad + q(1 + q)F(\sigma(s), x(\sigma(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma(s)))) \\ & \quad + q^2(1 + q + q^2)F(\sigma^2(s), x(\sigma^2(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^2(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^2(s)))) \\ & \quad \left. + q^3(1 + q + q^2 + q^3)F(\sigma^3(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^3(s)), x(\sigma^3(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^3(s)))) + \dots \right] \\ &= (s - \sigma(s))^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^j(1 - q^{j+1})F(\sigma^j(s), x(\sigma^j(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^j(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^j(s))))}{1 - q} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\sigma^j(s) - \sigma^{j+1}(s))(s - \sigma^{j+1}(s))F(\sigma^j(s), x(\sigma^j(s)), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(\sigma^j(s)), x(\Theta(\sigma^j(s)))) \\ &= \int_{\omega_0}^s (s - \sigma(s_1))F(\tau, x(s_1), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain (4.1). \square

Now we introduce two more assumptions:

(A4) there is a real number $L_F > 0$ such that for all $s \in I_1$, $x_j, y_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $j = 1, 2, 3$,

$$|F(s, x_1, x_2, x_3) - F(s, y_1, y_2, y_3)| \leq L_F \sum_{j=1}^3 |x_j - y_j|.$$

$$(A5) \quad (b - \omega_0)^2 < \frac{1+q}{3L_F}.$$

Theorem 4.2. *Assume (A4) and (A5) hold. Then (1.2) has the unique solution on I_3 .*

Proof. By Lemma 4.1, equation (1.2) has a solution $x : I_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ in the form of (4.1). Let the mapping $V : S(I_3, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$ be define by

$$V(x)(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ y(\omega_0) + (s - \omega_0)\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(\omega_0) \\ + \int_{\omega_0}^s (s - \sigma(s_1))F(s_1, x(s_1), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1)))d_{q,\omega}s_1, & s \in I_1. \end{cases}$$

For all $x, y \in S(I_3, \mathbb{R})$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |V(x)(s) - V(y)(s)| \\ & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s (s - \sigma(s_1))L_F(|x(s_1) - y(s_1)| + |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s_1)| \\ & \quad + |x(\Theta(s_1)) - y(\Theta(s_1))|)d_{q,\omega}s_1 \\ & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s 3L_F(s - \sigma(s_1))\|x - y\|_{q,\omega}d_{q,\omega}s_1 \\ & \leq \frac{3L_F(s - \omega_0)^2}{(1 + q)}\|x - y\|_{q,\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we can get

$$\|V(x) - V(y)\|_{q,\omega} \leq \frac{3L_F(b - \omega_0)^2}{(1 + q)}\|x - y\|_{q,\omega}.$$

By (A5) and the Banach fixed theorem, (1.2) has the unique solution on I_3 . \square

Lemma 4.3. *Assume (A5) holds and $\eta(s) = 3L_F(s - \omega_0)$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $e_\eta(s) > 0$ is increasing on I_1 and $1 - \eta(s)(s - \sigma(s)) > 0$, for all $s \in I_1$.*

Proof. According to the definition of Hahn integral, by calculation, we obtain

$$\int_{\omega_0}^s \eta(s)d_{q,\omega}s = \frac{3L_F(s - \omega_0)^2}{(1 + q)}.$$

From condition (A5), for $s \in I_1$, we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \eta(\sigma^k(s))(\sigma^k(s) - \sigma^{k+1}(s)) < 1.$$

Then, $1 - \eta(\sigma^k(s))(\sigma^k(s) - \sigma^{k+1}(s)) \in (0, 1)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $s \in I_1$. Thus, $e_\eta(s) > 0$ is increasing on I_1 and $1 - \eta(s)(s - \sigma(s)) > 0$ for all $s \in I_1$. \square

Theorem 4.4. *Assume (A4) and (A5) hold. Then equation (1.2) has Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .*

Proof. According to Theorem 4.2, we can know equation (1.2) has the unique solution on I_3 . Let y satisfy the inequality

$$|\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^2 y(s) - F(s, y(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s), y(\Theta(s)))| \leq \varepsilon, \quad s \in I_1.$$

Let x represent the unique solution to (1.2). Then, we obtain (4.1).

For $s \in I_1$, according to Remark 3.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |y(s) - x(s)| \\ & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} \varepsilon + L_F(|y(s_1) - x(s_1)| \\ & \quad + |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1)| + |y(\Theta(s_1)) - x(\Theta(s_1))|)d_{q,\omega}s_1d_{q,\omega}s_2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Let

$$\phi(s) = \max \left\{ \max_{s_1 \in [\omega_0 - h_0, s]} |y(s_1) - x(s_1)|, \max_{s_1 \in [\omega_0 - h_0, s]} |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1)| \right\}.$$

Then ϕ is increasing and

$$\begin{aligned} |y(s_1) - x(s_1)| & \leq \phi(s_1), \quad |y(\Theta(s_1)) - x(\Theta(s_1))| \leq \phi(s_1), \\ |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}y(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}x(s_1)| & \leq \phi(s_1). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} |y(s) - x(s)| & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} \varepsilon + 3L_F\phi(s_1)d_{q,\omega}s_1d_{q,\omega}s_2 \\ & \leq \int_{\omega_0}^s (\varepsilon + 3L_F\phi(s_2))(s_2 - \omega_0)d_{q,\omega}s_2 \\ & = \frac{\varepsilon(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + \int_{\omega_0}^s 3L_F\phi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0)d_{q,\omega}s_2. \end{aligned}$$

For all $s_1 \in [\omega_0, s]$, we have

$$|y(s_1) - x(s_1)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(s_1 - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + \int_{\omega_0}^{s_1} 3L_F\phi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0)d_{q,\omega}s_2.$$

Then

$$\phi(s) \leq \frac{\varepsilon(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + \int_{\omega_0}^s 3L_F\phi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0)d_{q,\omega}s_2. \quad (4.4)$$

Let $\eta(s) = 3L_F(s - \omega_0)$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$. According to Lemma 2.5 and Lemma 4.3, from (4.4) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(s) & \leq \frac{\varepsilon(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + e_\eta(s) \int_{\omega_0}^s \eta(s_2)E_{-\eta}(\sigma(s_2)) \frac{\varepsilon(s_2 - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} d_{q,\omega}s_2 \\ & \leq \frac{\varepsilon(b - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} e_\eta(b). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(b - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} e_\eta(b).$$

Then (1.2) has Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 . \square

Corollary 4.5. *Under assumptions (A4), (A5), Equation (1.2) has generalized Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .*

Theorem 4.6. *Assume (A3)–(A5) hold. Then (1.2) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .*

Proof. According to Theorem 4.2, equation (1.2) has the unique solution on I_3 . Let y satisfy the inequality

$$|\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^2 y(s) - F(s, y(s), \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} y(s), y(\Theta(s)))| \leq \varepsilon \varphi(s), \quad s \in I_1.$$

Let x represent unique solution to (1.2). According to Remark 3.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |y(s) - x(s)| &\leq \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} \varepsilon \varphi(s_1) + L_F(|y(s_1) - x(s_1)| + |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} y(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s_1)| \\ &\quad + |y(\Theta(s_1)) - x(\Theta(s_1))|) d_{q,\omega} s_1 d_{q,\omega} s_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(s) = \max \{ &\max_{s_1 \in [\omega_0 - h_0, s]} |y(s_1) - x(s_1)|, \\ &\max_{s_1 \in [\omega_0 - h_0, s]} |\mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} y(s_1) - \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s_1)| \}. \end{aligned}$$

As in the proof of Theorem 4.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |y(s) - x(s)| &\leq \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} \varepsilon \varphi(s_1) + 3L_F \phi(s_1) d_{q,\omega} s_1 d_{q,\omega} s_2 \\ &\leq \int_{\omega_0}^s (\varepsilon \varphi(s_2) + 3L_F \phi(s_2))(s_2 - \omega_0) d_{q,\omega} s_2 \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon \varphi(s)(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + \int_{\omega_0}^s 3L_F \phi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0) d_{q,\omega} s_2. \end{aligned}$$

Then one has

$$\phi(s) \leq \frac{\varepsilon \varphi(s)(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + \int_{\omega_0}^s 3L_F \phi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0) d_{q,\omega} s_2. \quad (4.5)$$

By using Lemma 2.5, from (4.5) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(s) &\leq \frac{\varepsilon \varphi(s)(s - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} + e_p(s) \int_{\omega_0}^s p(s_2) E_{-\eta}(\sigma(s_2)) \frac{\varepsilon \varphi(s_2)(s_2 - \omega_0)^2}{1 + q} d_{q,\omega} s_2 \\ &\leq \frac{(b - \omega_0)^2 e_\eta(b) \varepsilon \varphi(s)}{1 + q}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$|y(s) - x(s)| \leq \frac{(b - \omega_0)^2 e_\eta(b) \varepsilon \varphi(s)}{1 + q}.$$

Thus, (1.2) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 . \square

Corollary 4.7. *Assume (A3)–(A5) hold. Then (1.2) has generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .*

4.2. Ulam stability of equation (1.3). Based on the definitions of the Hahn difference and q, ω -integral, it is clear that $x : I_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies (1.3) if and only if x satisfies the corresponding integral equation

$$x(s) = \begin{cases} y(s), & s \in I_2, \\ \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1-q)^k (s-\omega_0)^k}{(q; q)_k} \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^k y(\omega_0) + \int_{\omega_0}^s \int_{\omega_0}^{s_n} \dots \int_{\omega_0}^{s_2} F(s_1, x(s_1), \\ \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega} x(s_1), \dots, \mathfrak{D}_{q,\omega}^{n-1} x(s_1), x(\Theta(s_1))) d_{q,\omega} s_1 \dots d_{q,\omega} s_{n-1} d_{q,\omega} s_n, & s \in I_1. \end{cases}$$

Now we introduce the next assumptions

(A6) there is a real number $L > 0$ such that for all $s \in I_1$, $x_j, y_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$|F(s, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) - F(s, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)| \leq L \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j - y_j|.$$

(A7) $(b - \omega_0)^n < \frac{(q;q)_n}{(n+1)L(1-q)^n}$.

Consequently, analogous approaches can be used to establish Ulam stability for equation (1.3) on I_3 . We now easily present these results without proofs.

Theorem 4.8. *Assume (A6) and (A7) hold. Then (1.3) has the unique solution on I_3 .*

Theorem 4.9. *Assume (A6) and (A7) hold. Then (1.3) has Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 with*

$$c = \frac{(1-q)^n(b-\omega_0)^n e_\eta(b)}{(q;q)_n},$$

where $\eta(s) = \frac{(n+1)L(1-q)^{n-1}(s-\omega_0)^{n-1}}{(q;q)_{n-1}}$, and $s \in \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 4.10. *Assume (A6) and (A7) hold. Then equation (1.3) has generalized Ulam-Hyers stability on I_3 .*

Theorem 4.11. *Assume (A3), (A6), (A7) hold. Then (1.3) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability and generalized Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to φ on I_3 .*

5. EXAMPLES

Example 5.1. We consider the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{3},6}x(s) &= \frac{2e^{-|x(s)|} + \sin(x(s-10))}{264}, \quad s \in [9, b], \\ x(s) &= s^2, \quad s \in [-1, 9], \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

and inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{3},6}y(s) - \frac{2e^{-|y(s)|} + \sin(y(s-10))}{264} \right| &\leq \varepsilon, \quad s \in [9, b], \\ \left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{3},6}y(s) - \frac{2e^{-|y(s)|} + \sin(y(s-10))}{264} \right| &\leq \varepsilon e_{\frac{1}{45}}(s), \quad s \in [9, b]. \end{aligned}$$

When $9 < b < 75$, equation (5.1) has the unique solution on $[-1, b]$. Obviously, equation (5.1) has Ulam-Hyers stability on $[8, 75]$ with

$$c = 66(e_{1/66}(75) - 1).$$

Equation (5.1) has Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to $e_{\frac{1}{45}}(s)$ on $[-1, 75]$ with

$$c = 66e_{1/66}(75).$$

Example 5.2. We consider the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}^2x(s) &= \frac{5 \cos(x(s)) + 8\mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}x(s) + 8 \sin(x(s-5))}{10240} + \frac{\sin(x(s))}{16806}, \quad s \in [1, b], \\ x(s) &= s, \quad \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}x(s) = 1, \quad s \in [-4, 1], \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

and inequalities

$$\left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}^2 y(s) - \frac{5 \cos(y(s)) + 8 \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} y(s) + 8 \sin(y(s-5))}{10240} - \frac{\sin(y(s))}{16806} \right| \leq \varepsilon,$$

for $s \in [1, b]$, and

$$\left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}^2 y(s) - \frac{5 \cos(y(s)) + 8 \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} y(s) + 8 \sin(y(s-5))}{10240} - \frac{\sin(y(s))}{16806} \right| \leq \varepsilon e_{\frac{1}{16}}(s),$$

for $s \in [1, b]$. When $1 < b < 1 + 8\sqrt{10}$, equation (5.2) has the unique solution on $[-4, b]$. Then equation (5.2) has Ulam-Hyers stability on $[-4, 1 + 8\sqrt{10}]$ and Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to $e_{\frac{1}{16}}(s)$ on $[-4, 1 + 8\sqrt{10}]$ with

$$c = \frac{1280}{3} e_{p(1+8\sqrt{10})}(1 + 8\sqrt{10}),$$

where $p(s) = \frac{3(s-1)}{1280}$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example 5.3. We consider the equation

$$\mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{5}, 8}^n x(s) = \frac{3 \mathfrak{D}^{n-1} x(s) + \sin(\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \mathfrak{D}_{q, \omega}^i x(s)) + 2e^{-|x(s)|} + \cos(x(s-1))}{885},$$

$$s \in [10, b], \quad (5.3)$$

$$x(t) = s, \quad \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{5}, 8} x(s) = 1, \quad \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{5}, 8}^i x(s) = 0, \quad i = 2, 3, \dots, n-1, \quad s \in [9, 10],$$

and inequalities

$$\left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{5}, 8}^n y(s) - \frac{3 \mathfrak{D}^{n-1} y(s) + \sin(\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \mathfrak{D}_{q, \omega}^i y(s)) + 2e^{-|y(s)|} + \cos(y(s-1))}{885} \right| \leq \varepsilon,$$

for $s \in [10, b]$, and

$$\left| \mathfrak{D}_{\frac{1}{5}, 8}^n y(s) - \frac{3 \mathfrak{D}^{n-1} y(s) + \sin(\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \mathfrak{D}_{q, \omega}^i y(s)) + 2e^{-|y(s)|} + \cos(y(s-1))}{885} \right| \leq \varepsilon s,$$

for $s \in [10, b]$. When $10 < b < \sqrt[n]{\frac{295[n]_q!}{n+1}} + 10$, equation (5.3) has the unique solution on $[9, b]$. Therefore, (5.3) has Ulam-Hyers stability on $[9, b]$ and Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability with respect to $\varphi(s) = s$ on $[9, b]$.

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