

## ON THE STABILITY OF A FUNCTIONAL EQUATION IN 2-BANACH SPACES BY USING FIXED POINT THEOREM

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we investigate some stability and hyperstability results for the following functional equation

$$f(ax + by) = \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) + \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y),$$

where  $a, b$  are different integers greater than 1, in 2-Banach spaces by using Brzdęk's fixed point approach.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we will denote the set of natural numbers by  $\mathbb{N}$  and the set of real numbers by  $\mathbb{R}$ . we put  $E_0 := E \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_+ := [0, \infty)$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Also,  $Y^X$  denotes the set of all functions from a nonempty set  $X$  to a nonempty set  $Y$ . By  $\mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we will denote the set of all natural numbers greater than or equal to  $m$ .

The problem of the stability of functional equations was first raised by Ulam [18] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. In the following year, Hyers [10] first partially answered Ulam's question, and proved the Ulam stability of Cauchy function in Banach spaces. Hyers' Theorem was generalized by Aoki [3] and by Rassias [15] for additive mappings and linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference. Afterward Găvruta [9] obtained generalization of the Th. M. Rassias theorem by replacing the unbounded Cauchy difference by a general control function in the spirit of Th. M. Rassias' approach. During the last decades, many mathematicians have investigated various generalizations, extensions and applications of the Hyers-Ulam stability of functional equations (see [1, 4, 5, 6, 16, 17]). In particular, the stability problem of the functional equations in various spaces was proved in [11, 14]. The first hyperstability result was published in [15] and concerned the ring homomorphisms. We say a functional equation is hyperstable

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if any function  $f$  satisfying this equation approximately is a true solution of it. Recently, Brzdęk [7] proved a fixed point theorem in 2-Banach spaces and showed its applications to the Ulam stability of functional equations.

In 2011, Kenary, Jang and Park [12] proved the Hyers-Ulam stability of the following functional equation

$$f(ax + by) = \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) + \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y), \quad (1)$$

in non-Archimedean normed spaces and in random normed spaces, where  $a, b$  are different integers greater than 1. Recently, interesting results concerning the functional equation (1) have been obtained in [2] and [13]. The purpose of this paper is to prove some stability and hyperstability results for the functional equation 1 in a 2-Banach space using Brzdęk and Ciepliński's fixed point results in [7].

We need to recall some basic facts concerning 2-normed spaces and some preliminary results (see, for instance, [8]).

**Definition 1** let  $X$  be a real linear space with  $\dim X > 1$  and  $\|\cdot, \cdot\| : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be a function satisfying the following properties:

- (1)  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent,
- (2)  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$ ,
- (3)  $\|\lambda x, y\| = |\lambda| \|x, y\|$ ,
- (4)  $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$ ,

for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then the function  $\|\cdot, \cdot\|$  is called a *2-norm* on  $X$  and the pair  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is called a *linear 2-normed space*. Sometimes the condition (4) called the *triangle inequality*.

**Example 1** For  $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in E = \mathbb{R}^2$ , the Euclidean 2-norm  $\|x, y\|_E$  is defined by

$$\|x, y\|_E = |x_1y_2 - x_2y_1|.$$

**Definition 2** A sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in a 2-normed space  $X$  is called a *convergent sequence* if there is an  $x \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - x, y\| = 0,$$

for all  $y \in X$ . If  $\{x_k\}$  converges to  $x$ , write  $x_k \rightarrow x$  with  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and call  $x$  the limit of  $\{x_k\}$ . In this case, we also write  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$ .

**Definition 3** A sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in a 2-normed space  $X$  is said to be a *Cauchy sequence* with respect to the 2-norm if

$$\lim_{k, l \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - x_l, y\| = 0,$$

for all  $y \in X$ . If every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  converges to some  $x \in X$ , then  $X$  is said to be *complete* with respect to the 2-norm. Any complete 2-normed space is said to be a *2-Banach space*.

Now, we present the fixed point theorem concerning 2-Banach spaces given in [7]. First, we need the following hypotheses:

(H1)  $E$  is a nonempty set,  $(Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is a 2-Banach space,  $Y_0$  is a subset of  $Y$  containing two linearly independent vectors,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f_i : E \rightarrow E$ ,  $g_i : Y_0 \rightarrow Y_0$ , and  $L_i : E \times Y_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  for  $i = 1, \dots, j$ ;

(H2)  $\mathcal{T} : Y^E \rightarrow Y^E$  is an operator satisfying the inequality

$$\|\mathcal{T}\xi(x) - \mathcal{T}\mu(x), y\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^j L_i(x, y) \|\xi(f_i(x)) - \mu(f_i(x)), g_i(y)\|, \quad \xi, \mu \in Y^E, x \in E, y \in Y_0; \tag{2}$$

(H3)  $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}_+^{E \times Y_0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^{E \times Y_0}$  is an operator defined by

$$\Lambda\delta(x, y) := \sum_{i=1}^j L_i(x, y) \delta(f_i(x), g_i(y)), \quad \delta \in \mathbb{R}_+^{E \times Y_0}, x \in E, y \in Y_0. \tag{3}$$

**Theorem 1**[7] Let hypotheses (H1)-(H3) hold and functions  $\varepsilon : E \times Y_0 \rightarrow R_+$  and  $\varphi : E \rightarrow Y$  fulfill the following two conditions:

$$\|\mathcal{T}\varphi(x) - \varphi(x), y\| \leq \varepsilon(x, y) \quad x \in E, y \in Y_0, \tag{4}$$

$$\varepsilon^*(x, y) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\Lambda^n \varepsilon)(x, y) < \infty \quad x \in E, y \in Y_0. \tag{5}$$

Then, there exists a unique fixed point  $\psi$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  for which

$$\|\varphi(x) - \psi(x), y\| \leq \varepsilon^*(x, y) \quad x \in E, y \in Y_0. \tag{6}$$

Moreover,

$$\psi(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{T}^n \varphi)(x) \quad x \in E. \tag{7}$$

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we prove some stability and hyperstability results of the functional equation (1) in 2-Banach spaces by using Theorem 1. In what follows  $(Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is a real 2-Banach space.

**Theorem 2** Let  $h_1, h_2 : E_0 \times Y_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be two functions such that

$$\mathcal{U} := \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \alpha_n < 1\} \neq \emptyset \tag{8}$$

where

$$\alpha_n := \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(a+an-bn) \lambda_2(a+an-bn) + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+2n) \lambda_2(1+2n),$$

$$\lambda_i(n) := \inf \{t \in \mathbb{R}_+ : h_i(nx, z) \leq t h_i(x, z), \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0\} \tag{9}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $i = 1, 2$ . Assume that  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2} f(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2} f(x-y), z\| \leq h_1(x, z) h_2(y, z), \tag{10}$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0, z \in Y_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0$ . Then there exists a unique function  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - F(x), z\| \leq \lambda_0 h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \tag{11}$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ , where

$$\lambda_0 := \inf_{n \in \mathcal{U}} \left\{ \frac{2\lambda_1(1+n)\lambda_2(-n)}{(a+b)(1 - \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(a+an-bn) \lambda_2(a+an-bn) - \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+2n) \lambda_2(1+2n))} \right\}.$$

**Proof.** Replacing  $x$  by  $(1+m)x$  and  $y$  by  $-mx$ , where  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , in inequality (10) we get

$$\left\| \frac{2}{a+b} f((a+am-bm)x) - \frac{(a-b)}{a+b} f((1+2m)x) - f(x), z \right\| \leq \frac{2}{a+b} h_1((1+m)x, z) h_2(-mx, z), \quad (12)$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ . For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define the operator  $\mathcal{T}_m : Y^{E_0} \rightarrow Y^{E_0}$  by

$$\mathcal{T}_m \xi(x) := \frac{2}{a+b} \xi((a+am-bm)x) - \frac{(a-b)}{a+b} \xi((1+2m)x), \quad \xi \in Y^{E_0}, x \in E_0. \quad (13)$$

Further put

$$\varepsilon_m(x, z) := \frac{2}{a+b} h_1((1+m)x, z) h_2(-mx, z), \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, \quad (14)$$

and observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_m(x, z) &= \frac{2}{a+b} h_1((1+m)x, z) h_2(-mx, z) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z), \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, inequality (12) can be rewritten as

$$\|f(x) - \mathcal{T}_m f(x), z\| \leq \varepsilon_m(x, z), \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0. \quad (16)$$

Furthermore, for every  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, \xi, \mu \in Y^{E_0}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \mathcal{T}_m \xi(x) - \mathcal{T}_m \mu(x), z \right\| = \\ &\left\| \frac{2}{a+b} \xi((a+am-bm)x) - \frac{(a-b)}{a+b} \xi((1+2m)x) - \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{2}{a+b} \mu((a+am-bm)x) + \frac{(a-b)}{a+b} \mu((1+2m)x), z \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \left\| (\xi - \mu)((a+am-bm)x), z \right\| + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \left\| (\xi - \mu)((1+2m)x), z \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

So, (H2) is valid for  $\mathcal{T}_m$ . This brings us to define the operator  $\Lambda_m : \mathbb{R}_+^{E_0 \times Y_0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^{E_0 \times Y_0}$  by

$$\Lambda_m \delta(x, z) := \frac{2}{a+b} \delta((a+am-bm)x, z) + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \delta((1+2m)x, z), \quad (17)$$

for all  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+^{E_0 \times Y_0}, x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ . For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , the above operator has the form described in (H3) with  $f_1(x) = (a+am-bm)x, f_2(x) = (1+2m)x, g_1(z) = g_2(z) = z, L_1(x) = \frac{2}{a+b}$  and  $L_2(x) = \frac{|a-b|}{a+b}$  for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ . By using the mathematical induction, we will show that for each  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and  $m \in \mathcal{U}$  we have

$$(\Lambda_m^n \varepsilon_m)(x, z) \leq \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) \alpha_m^n h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \quad (18)$$

where

$$\alpha_m = \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(a+am-bm) \lambda_2(a+am-bm) + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+2m) \lambda_2(1+2m).$$

From (14) and (15), we obtain that the inequality (18) holds for  $n = 0$ . Next, we will assume that (18) holds for  $n = k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\Lambda_m^{k+1} \varepsilon_m)(x, z) &= \Lambda_m \left( (\Lambda_m^k \varepsilon_m)(x, z) \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{a+b} (\Lambda_m^k \varepsilon_m)((a+am-bm)x, z) + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} (\Lambda_m^k \varepsilon_m)((1+2m)x, z) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \left( \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) \alpha_m^k h_1((a+am-bm)x, z) h_2((a+am-bm)x, z) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) \alpha_m^k h_1((1+2m)x, z) h_2((1+2m)x, z) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) \alpha_m^{k+1} h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathcal{U}$ . This shows that (18) holds for  $n = k + 1$ . Now we can conclude that the inequality (18) holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Therefore, by (18), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_m^*(x, z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\Lambda_m^n \varepsilon_m)(x, z) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2}{a+b} \lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) \alpha_m^n h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \\ &= \frac{2\lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z)}{(a+b)(1-\alpha_m)} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathcal{U}$ . Therefore, according to Theorem 1 with  $\varphi = f$ , we get that the limit

$$F_m(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{T}_m^n f)(x)$$

exists for each  $x \in E_0$  and  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ , and

$$\|f(x) - F_m(x), z\| \leq \frac{2\lambda_1(1+m) \lambda_2(-m) h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z)}{(a+b)(1-\alpha_m)}, \quad (19)$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathcal{U}$ . To prove that  $F_m$  satisfies the functional equation (1), just prove the following inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (\mathcal{T}_m^n f)(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2} (\mathcal{T}_m^n f)(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2} (\mathcal{T}_m^n f)(x-y), z \right\| \\ \leq \alpha_m^n h_1(x, z) h_2(y, z) \quad (20) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0, z \in Y_0, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ . Since the case  $n = 0$  follows immediately from (10), take  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and assume that (20) holds for  $n = k$  and every  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathcal{U}$ . Then, for each  $x, y \in E_0, z \in Y_0$  and  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| (\mathcal{T}_m^{k+1}f)(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^{k+1}f)(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^{k+1}f)(x-y), z \right\| \\
&= \left\| \frac{2}{a+b}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(ax+by)) - \frac{(a-b)}{a+b}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(ax+by)) \right. \\
&\quad - \left(\frac{2}{a+b}\right)\frac{(a+b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(x+y)) \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{a-b}{a+b}\right)\frac{(a+b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(x+y)) \\
&\quad - \left(\frac{2}{a+b}\right)\frac{(a-b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(x-y)) \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{a-b}{a+b}\right)\frac{(a-b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(x-y)), z \right\| \\
&\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \left\| (\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(ax+by)) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(x+y)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{(a-b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((a+am-bm)(x-y)), z \right\| + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \left\| (\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(ax+by)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{(a+b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(x+y)) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}(\mathcal{T}_m^k f)f((1+2m)(x-y)), z \right\| \\
&\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \alpha_m^k h_1((a+am-bm)x, z) h_2((a+am-bm)y, z) \\
&\quad + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \alpha_m^k h_1((1+2m)x, z) h_2((1+2m)y, z) \\
&\leq \alpha_m^{k+1} h_1(x, z) h_2(y, z).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, By using the mathematical induction, we have shown that (20) holds for every  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0, z \in Y_0, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ . Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (20), we obtain the equality

$$F_m(ax+by) = \frac{a+b}{2}F_m(x+y) + \frac{a-b}{2}F_m(x-y), \quad (21)$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0, m \in \mathcal{U}$ . This implies that  $F_m : E_0 \rightarrow Y$ , defined in this way, is a solution of the equation

$$F(x) = \frac{2}{a+b}f((a+am-bm)x) - \frac{|a-b|}{a+b}f((1+2m)x), \quad x \in E_0, m \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (22)$$

Next, we will prove that each function  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfying the inequality

$$\|f(x) - F(x), z\| \leq L h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z), \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0 \quad (23)$$

with some  $L > 0$ , is equal to  $F_m$  for each  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ . To this end, we fix  $m_0 \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfying (23). From (19), for each  $x \in E_0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|F(x) - F_{m_0}(x), z\| &\leq \|F(x) - f(x), z\| + \|f(x) - F_{m_0}(x), z\| \\
&\leq L h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) + \varepsilon_{m_0}^*(x, z) \\
&\leq L_0 h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n, \quad (24)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $L_0 := (1 - \alpha_{m_0})L + \frac{2}{a+b}\lambda_1(1 + m_0)\lambda_2(-m_0) > 0$  and we exclude the case that  $h_1(x, z) \equiv 0$  or  $h_2(x, z) \equiv 0$  which is trivial. Observe that  $F$  and  $F_{m_0}$  are solutions to equation (22) for all  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ . Now, we will see that, for any  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,

$$\|F(x) - F_{m_0}(x), z\| \leq L_0 h_1(x, z)h_2(x, z) \sum_{n=j}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n, \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0. \quad (25)$$

The case  $j = 0$  is exactly (24). Fix a  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and assume that (25) holds for  $j = k$ . Then, in view of (24), for each  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(x) - F_{m_0}(x), z\| &= \left\| \frac{2}{a+b}F((a + am_0 - bm_0)x) - \frac{(a-b)}{a+b}F((1 + 2m_0)x) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{2}{a+b}F_{m_0}((a + am_0 - bm_0)x) + \frac{(a-b)}{a+b}F_{m_0}((1 + 2m_0)x), z \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} \|F((a + am_0 - bm_0)x) - F_{m_0}((a + am_0 - bm_0)x), z\| \\ &\quad + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} \|F((1 + 2m_0)x) - F_{m_0}((1 + 2m_0)x), z\| \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a+b} L_0 h_1((a + am_0 - bm_0)x, z)h_2((a + am_0 - bm_0)x, z) \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n \\ &\quad + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} L_0 h_1((1 + 2m_0)x, z)h_2((1 + 2m_0)x, z) \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n \\ &= L_0 \left( \frac{2}{a+b} h_1((a + am_0 - bm_0)x, z)h_2((a + am_0 - bm_0)x, z) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{|a-b|}{a+b} h_1((1 + 2m_0)x, z)h_2((1 + 2m_0)x, z) \right) \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n \\ &\leq L_0 \alpha_{m_0} h_1(x, z)h_2(x, z) \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n \\ &= L_0 h_1(x, z)h_2(x, z) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} \alpha_{m_0}^n. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that (25) holds for  $j = k+1$ . Now we can conclude that the inequality (25) holds for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Now, letting  $j \rightarrow \infty$  in (25), we get

$$F = F_{m_0}. \quad (26)$$

Thus, we have also proved that  $F_m = F_{m_0}$  for each  $m \in \mathcal{U}$ , which (in view of (19)) yields

$$\|f(x) - F_{m_0}(x), z\| \leq \frac{2\lambda_1(1 + m)\lambda_2(-m)h_1(x, z)h_2(x, z)}{(a+b)(1 - \alpha_m)}, \quad x \in E_0, z \in Y_0, m \in \mathcal{U}. \quad (27)$$

This implies (11) with  $F = F_{m_0}$  and (26) confirms the uniqueness of  $F$ .

The following theorem concerns the  $\eta$ -hyperstability of (1) in 2-Banach spaces. Namely, We consider functions  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  fulfilling (1) approximately, i.e., satisfying the inequality

$$\left\| f(ax + by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y), z \right\| \leq \eta(x, y, z), \quad (28)$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax + by \neq 0, x + y \neq 0$  and  $x - y \neq 0, z \in Y_0$ , with  $\eta : E_0 \times E_0 \times Y_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is a given mapping. Then we find a unique function  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  which is close to  $f$ . Then, under some additional assumptions on  $\eta$ , we prove that the conditional functional equation (1) is  $\eta$ -hyperstable in the class of functions  $f : E \rightarrow Y$ , i.e., each  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfying inequality (28), with such  $\eta$ , must fulfil equation (1).

**Theorem 3** Let  $h_1, h_2$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be as in Theorem 2. Assume that

$$\begin{cases} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1(1+n)\lambda_2(-n) = 0, \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1(1+2n)\lambda_2(1+2n) = 0. \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

Then every  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfying (10) is a solution of (1).

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (10). Then, by Theorem 2, there exists a mapping  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (1) and

$$\|f(x) - F(x), z\| \leq \lambda_0 h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \quad (30)$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ , where

$$\lambda_0 := \inf_{n \in \mathcal{U}} \left\{ \frac{2\lambda_1(1+n)\lambda_2(-n)}{(a+b)\left(1 - \frac{2}{a+b}\lambda_1(a+an-bn)\lambda_2(a+an-bn) - \frac{|a-b|}{a+b}\lambda_1(1+2n)\lambda_2(1+2n)\right)} \right\}.$$

Since, in view of (29),  $\lambda_0 = 0$ . This means that  $f(x) = F(x)$  for all  $x \in E_0$ , whence

$$f(ax + by) = \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) + \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y),$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax + by \neq 0, x + y \neq 0$  and  $x - y \neq 0$ , which implies that  $f$  satisfies the functional equation (1) on  $E_0$ .

**Corollary 1** Let  $\theta \geq 0, s \geq 0, p, q \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $p + q < 0$ . Suppose that  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f(0) = 0$  satisfy the inequality

$$\left\| f(ax + by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y), z \right\| \leq \theta |x|^p |y|^q |z|^s, \quad (31)$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax + by \neq 0, x + y \neq 0$  and  $x - y \neq 0, z \in Y_0$ . Then  $f$  satisfies the functional equation (1) on  $E$ .

**Proof.** The proof follows from Theorem 2 defining

$h_1, h_2 : E_0 \times Y_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  by  $h_1(x, z) = \theta_1 |x|^p |z|^{s_1}$ ,  $h_2(y, z) = \theta_2 |y|^q |z|^{s_2}$ , and  $h_1(0, z) = h_2(0, z) = 0$  with  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\theta_1 \theta_2 = \theta, s_1 + s_2 = s$  and  $p + q < 0$ .

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1(n) &= \inf \{ t \in \mathbb{R}_+ : h_1(nx, z) \leq t h_1(x, z), x \in E_0, z \in Y_0 \} \\ &= \inf \{ t \in \mathbb{R}_+ : \theta_1 |nx|^p |z|^{s_1} \leq t \theta_1 |x|^p |z|^{s_1}, x \in E_0, z \in Y_0 \} \\ &= n^p. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have  $\lambda_2(n) = n^q$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Clearly, we can find  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\lambda_1(a+an-bn)\lambda_2(a+an-bn) + \lambda_1(1+2n)\lambda_2(1+2n) = (a+an-bn)^{p+q} + (1+2n)^{p+q} < 1, \quad n \geq n_0. \quad (32)$$



According to Theorem 2, there exists a unique function  $F : E \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - F(x), z\| \leq \theta \lambda_0 h_1(x, z) h_2(x, z) \quad (33)$$

for all  $x \in E_0, z \in Y_0$ , where

$$\lambda_0 := \inf_{n \in \mathcal{U}} \left\{ \frac{2\lambda_1(1+n)\lambda_2(-n)}{(a+b)(1 - \frac{2}{a+b}\lambda_1(a+an-bn)\lambda_2(a+an-bn) - \frac{|a-b|}{a+b}\lambda_1(1+2n)\lambda_2(1+2n))} \right\}.$$

On the other hand, Since  $p+q < 0$ , It is sufficient to consider that  $p+q < 0$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1(1+n)\lambda_2(-n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1+n)^p(-n)^q = 0, \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1(1+2n)\lambda_2(1+2n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1+2n)^{p+q} = 0. \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

Thus by Theorem 2, we get the desired results. The next corollary prove the hyperstability results for the inhomogeneous functional equation.

**Corollary 2** Let  $\theta, p, q, s \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\theta \geq 0$  and  $p+q < 0$ . Assume that  $G : E^2 \rightarrow Y$  and  $f : E \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f(0) = 0$  and satisfy the inequality

$$\left\| f(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y) - G(x,y), z \right\| \leq \theta |x|^p |y|^q |z|^s, \quad (35)$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0, z \in Y_0$ . If the functional equation

$$f(ax+by) = \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) + \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y) + G(x,y), \quad (36)$$

for all  $x, y \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0$ , has a solution  $f_0 : E \rightarrow Y$ , then  $f$  is a solution to (36).

**Proof.** From (35) we get that the function  $K : E \rightarrow Y$  defined by  $K := f - f_0$  satisfies (31). Consequently, Corollary 2 implies that  $K$  is a solution to functional equation (1). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & f(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}f(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f(x-y) - G(x,y) = K(ax+by) \\ & + f_0(ax+by) - \frac{(a+b)}{2}K(x+y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f_0(x+y) \\ & - \frac{(a-b)}{2}K(x-y) - \frac{(a-b)}{2}f_0(x-y) - G(x,y) \\ & = 0, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in E_0$  such that  $ax+by \neq 0, x+y \neq 0$  and  $x-y \neq 0$ , which means  $f$  is a solution to (36).

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