

# Generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias Stability of a Reciprocal Type Functional Equation in Non-Archimedean Fields

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**Abstract** - In this paper, we obtain the general solution of a reciprocal type functional equation of the type

$$f(x + y) = \frac{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) + f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}$$

And investigate its generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability in non - Archimedean fields. We also establish Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability, Ulam-Gavruta-Rassias stability and J.M. Rassias stability controlled by the mixed product-sum of powers of norms for the same equation.

## I. INTRODUCTION

A significant question concerning the theory of stability of functional equations was raised by S.M. Ulam [29] in 1940 in the University of Wisconsin. In 1941, D.H. Hyers [14] was the first person who presented an affirmative partial answer to the question of Ulam. In 1950, the theorem formulated by Hyers was generalized by T. Aoki [4] for additive mappings. In 1978, Th.M. Rassias [28] generalized Hyers' theorem which allows the Cauchy difference to be unbounded. In 1982, J.M. Rassias [21] gave a further generalization of the result of D.H. Hyers and proved theorem using weaker conditions controlled by a product of different powers of norms. In 1994, a generalization of Th.M. Rassias' theorem was obtained by P. Gavruta [12] who replaced the unbounded Cauchy difference

by a general control function. In 2008, J.M.

Rassias et al. [22] discussed the stability of quadratic functional equation

$$f(mx + y) + f(mx - y) = 2f(x + y) + 2f(x - y)$$

$$+ 2(m^2 - 2)f(x) - 2f(y)$$

for any arbitrary but fixed real constant  $m$  with  $m \neq 0$ ;  $m \neq \pm 1$ ;  $m \neq \pm \sqrt{2}$  using mixed product-sum of powers of norms. Several stability results have been recently obtained for various equations, also for mappings with more general domains and ranges (see [7], [8], [9], [11], [13], [18], [19], [20], [23]). Many research monographs are also available in functional equations, one can see ([1], [2], [3], [10], [15], [16], [17]).

In 2010, K. Ravi and B.V. Senthil Kumar [24] obtained Ulam-Gavruta-Rassias stability for the reciprocal functional equation

$$f(x + y) = \frac{f(x)f(y)}{f(x) + f(y)} \tag{1.1}$$

where  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a mapping on the spaces of non-zero real numbers. The reciprocal function

$$g(x) = \frac{c}{x}$$

is a solution of the functional equation (1.1).

K.Ravi, J.M. Rassias and B.V. Senthil Kumar [25] discussed the Ulam stability for the reciprocal functional equation in several variable of the form

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i x_i\right) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m f(x_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^m \left[\alpha_i \left(\prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^m f(x_j)\right)\right]} \tag{1.2}$$

for arbitrary but fixed real numbers  $(\alpha_1; \alpha_2; \dots, \alpha_m) \neq (0; 0; \dots; 0)$ ; so that  $0 < \alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \neq 1$  and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  with  $X$  and  $Y$  are the spaces of non-zero real numbers.

Later, J.M. Rassias and et al. [26] introduced the Reciprocal Difference Functional equation(1.3)

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

and the Reciprocal Adjoint Functional equation(1.4)

$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + f(x+y) = \frac{3f(x)f(y)}{f(x)+f(y)}$$

and investigated the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the equations (1.3) and (1.4).

A. Bodaghi and S.O. Kim [5] introduced and studies the Ulam-Gavruta-Rassias stability for the quadratic reciprocal functional mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying the Rassias quadratic reciprocal functional equation

$$f(2x+y) + f(2x-y) = \frac{2f(x)f(y)[4f(y)+f(x)]}{(4f(y)-f(x))^2}. \tag{1.5}$$

The quadratic reciprocal function  $f(x) = \frac{c}{x^2}$  is a solution of the functional equation (1.5). Recently, A. Bodaghi and Y. Ebrahimdoost [6] generalized the equation (1.5) as (1.6)

$$f((a+1)x+ay) + f((a+1)x-ay) = \frac{2f(x)f(y)[(a+1)^2f(y)+a^2f(x)]}{((a+1)^2f(y)-a^2f(x))^2}$$

Where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $a \neq 0$  and established the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability for the functional equation (1.6) in non-Archimedean fields.

K. Ravi et al [27] investigated the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of a reciprocal-quadratic functional equation of the form (1.7)

$$r(x+2y) + r(2x+y) = \frac{r(x)r(y) \left[ 5r(x) + 5r(y) + 8\sqrt{r(x)r(y)} \right]}{\left[ 2r(x) + 2r(y) + 5\sqrt{r(x)r(y)} \right]^2}$$

In intuitionistic fuzzy normed spaces. In this paper we obtain the general solution of a reciprocal type functional equation of the type (1.8)

$$f(x+y) = \frac{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) + f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}$$

And investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the equation (1.8) in non-Archimedean fields. We also establish Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability, Ulam-Gavruta-Rassias stability and J.M. Rassias stability controlled by the mixed product sum of powers of norms for the equation (1.8).

## II. PRELIMINARIES

A non-Archimedean field is a field  $A$  equipped with a function (valuation)  $|\cdot|$  from  $A$  into  $(0, \infty)$  such that for all  $r, s \in A$

$$(i) \quad |r| = 0 \text{ if and only if } r = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad |rs| = |r| |s| \text{ and}$$

$$(iii) \quad |r+s| \leq \max\{|r|, |s|\}.$$

Clearly  $|1| = |-1| = 1$  and  $|n| \leq 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We always assume, in addition, that  $|\cdot|$  is non-trivial, i.e., there exists an

$$a_0 \in A \text{ such that } |a_0| \neq 0, 1.$$

An example of a non-Archimedean valuation is the mapping  $|\cdot|$  taking every-thing but 0 into 1 and  $|0| = 0$ . This valuation is called trivial. Another example of a non-Archimedean valuation on a field  $A$  is the mapping.

Let  $p$  be a prime number. For any non-zero

rational number  $x = p^r \frac{m}{n}$  in which  $m$  and  $n$  are

coprime to the prime number  $p$ . Consider the  $p$ -adic absolute value  $|x|_p = p^{-r}$  on  $\mathbb{Q}$ . It is easy to check that  $|\cdot|$  is a non-Archimedean norm on  $\mathbb{Q}$ . The completion of  $\mathbb{Q}$  with respect to  $|\cdot|$  which is denoted by  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  is said to be the  $p$ -adic number field. Note that if  $p > 2$ , then  $|2^n| = 1$  for all integers  $n$ .

## III. GENERAL SOLUTION OF EQUATION

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Then  $f$  satisfies (1.1) if and only if  $f$  satisfies (1.8). Hence (1.8) is also a reciprocal mapping whose solution is

$$f(x) = \frac{c}{x}.$$

**Proof:**

$$|r| \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r=0 \\ \frac{1}{r} & \text{if } r>0 \\ 1 & \text{if } r<0 \end{cases}$$

Let  $f$  satisfy (1.1). Replacing  $(x, y)$  by  $\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}, \frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)$  in (1.1), we arrive at (1.8).

Conversely, suppose  $f$  satisfy (1.8). Replacing  $(x, y)$  by  $(3x-2y, 3y-2x)$  in (1.8), we obtain (1.1). This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

#### IV. GENERALIZED HYERS-ULAM STABILITY OF (1.8)

In the following theorems and corollaries, we assume that  $A$  and  $B$  be a non-Archimedean field and a complete non-Archimedean field, respectively. From now on, for a non-Archimedean field  $A$ , we put  $A^* = A \setminus \{0\}$ . For convenience, let us define the difference operator  $D_f: A^* \times A^* \rightarrow B$  by

$$D_f(x, y) = f(x+y) - \frac{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}{f\left(\frac{3x+2y}{5}\right) + f\left(\frac{2x+3y}{5}\right)}$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Theorem 4.1. Let  $\phi: A^* \times A^* \rightarrow B^*$  be a function such that (4.1)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^n \phi\left(\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}x, \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}y\right) = 0$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Suppose that  $f: A^* \rightarrow B$  is a mapping satisfying the inequality

$$|D_f(x, y)| \leq \phi(x, y) \quad (4.2)$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Then there exists a unique reciprocal mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  such that (4.3)

$$|f(x) - r(x)| \leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^i \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2^{i+1}}x, \frac{1}{2^{i+1}}y\right) : i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ .

**Proof:** Replacing  $(x, y)$  by  $(x, x)$  in (4.2), we get (4.4)

$$\left| f(2x) - \frac{1}{2}f(x) \right| \leq \phi(x, x)$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ . Now, replacing  $x$  by  $\frac{x}{2}$  in (4.4) we obtain (4.5)

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \right| \leq \phi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right)$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ . Plugging  $x$  by  $\frac{x}{2^n}$  in (4.5) and

multiplying by  $\left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^n$ , we have (4.6)

$$\left| \frac{1}{2^n} f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^n \phi\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right)$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ . Thus the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2^n} f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\}$  is Cauchy by (4.1) and (4.6).

Completeness of the non-Archimedean space  $B$  allows us to assume that there exists a mapping  $r$  so that (4.7)

$$r(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$

For each  $x \in A^*$  and non-negative integers  $n$ , we have (4.8)

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{2^n} f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x) \right| &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{i+1}} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right) - \frac{1}{2^i} f\left(\frac{x}{2^i}\right) \right\} \right| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{2^{i+1}} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right) - \frac{1}{2^i} f\left(\frac{x}{2^i}\right) \right| : 0 \leq i < n \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^i \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right) : 0 \leq i < n \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying (4.7) and letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we find that the inequality (4.3) holds. From (4.1), (4.2) and (4.7) we have for all  $x, y \in A^*$

$$\begin{aligned} |D_r(x, y)| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^n |D_f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right)| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^n \phi\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the mapping  $r$  satisfies (1.8). By Theorem 3.1, the mapping  $r$  is reciprocal. Now, let  $R: A^* \rightarrow B$  be another reciprocal mapping satisfying (4.3). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |r(x) - R(x)| &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{2^p} \left| r\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) - R\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) \right| \right| \\ &\leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^p \max \left\{ \left| r\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) - f\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) \right|, \left| f\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) - R\left(\frac{x}{2^p}\right) \right| \right\} \\ &\leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \max \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{2} \right|^{i+p} \phi\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+p+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{i+p+1}}\right) : p \leq i \leq q+p \right\} \right\} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ , proving that  $r$  is unique, which completes the proof.

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $\phi: A^* \times A^* \rightarrow B^*$  be a function such that (4.9)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |2|^n \phi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Suppose that  $f: A^* \rightarrow B$  is a mapping satisfying the inequality (4.2) for all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Then there exists a unique reciprocal mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  such that (4.10)

$$|f(x) - r(x)| \leq \max \{ |2|^{i+1} \phi(2^i x, 2^i x) : i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \}_{Fo}$$

r all  $x \in A^*$ .

**Proof:** Replacing  $(x, y)$  by  $(x, x)$  in (4.2) and multiplying by  $|2|$ , we get (4.11)

$$|2f(2x) - f(x)| \leq |2|\phi(x, x)$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ . Switching  $x$  to  $2^n x$  in (4.11) and multiplying by  $|2|^n$ , we have (4.12)

$$|2^n f(2^n x) - 2^{n+1} f(2^{n+1} x)| \leq |2|^{n+1} \phi(2^n x, 2^n x)$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ . As  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (4.12) and using (4.9), we see that the sequence  $\{2^n f(2^n x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $B$  is complete, this Cauchy sequence converges to a mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  defined by (4.13)

$$r(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f(2^n x).$$

For each  $x \in A^*$  and non-negative integers  $n$ , we have (4.14)

$$\begin{aligned} |2^n f(2^n x) - f(x)| &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^{i+1} f(2^{i+1} x) - 2^i f(2^i x) \right| \\ &\leq \max \{ |2|^{i+1} \phi(2^{i+1} x, 2^{i+1} x) - 2^i \phi(2^i x, 2^i x) : 0 \leq i < n \} \\ &\leq \max \{ |2|^{i+1} \phi(2^i x, 2^i x) : 0 \leq i < n \}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying (4.13) and letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we find that the inequality (4.10) holds. From (4.9), (4.2) and (4.13), we have for all  $x, y \in A^*$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |D_r(x, y)| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |2|^n |D_f(2^n x, 2^n y)| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |2|^n \phi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the mapping  $r$  satisfies (1.8). By Theorem 3.1, the mapping  $r$  is reciprocal. Now, let  $R: A^* \rightarrow B$  be another reciprocal mapping satisfying (4.10). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R(x) - r(x)| &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} |2|^p |R(2^p x) - r(2^p x)| \\ &\leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} |2|^p \max \{ |R(2^p x) - f(2^p x)|, |f(2^p x) - r(2^p x)| \} \\ &\leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \max \{ |2|^{i+p+1} \phi(2^{i+p} x, 2^{i+p} x) : p \leq i \leq q+p \} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

For all  $x \in A^*$ , which proves that  $r$  is unique.

**Corollary 4.3.** For any fixed  $K_1 \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \neq -1$ , if  $f: A^* \rightarrow B$  satisfies

$$|D_f(x, y)| \leq k_1 (|x|^\alpha + |y|^\alpha)$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ , then there exists a unique reciprocal mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  satisfying (1.8) and

$$|f(x) - r(x)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2k_1}{|2|^\alpha} |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha < -1 \\ 4k_1 |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha > -1 \end{cases}$$

For every  $x \in A^*$ .

**Proof:** the required results are obtained by choosing  $\phi(x, y) = k_1 (|x|^\alpha + |y|^\alpha)$ , for all  $x, y \in A^*$  in Theorem 4.1 with  $\alpha < -1$  and in Theorem 4.2 with  $\alpha > -1$  and proceeding by similar arguments as in Theorems 4.1 and 4.2.

**Corollary 4.4.** Let  $f: A^* \rightarrow B$  be a mapping and let there exist real numbers  $a, b: \alpha = a + b \neq -1$ . Let there exist  $k_2 \geq 0$  such that

$$|D_f(x, y)| \leq k_2 |x|^a |y|^b$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Then there exists a unique reciprocal mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  satisfying (1.8) and

$$|f(x) - r(x)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{k_2}{|2|^\alpha} |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha < -1 \\ 2k_2 |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha > -1 \end{cases}$$

For every  $x \in A^*$ .

**Proof:** Considering  $\phi(x, y) = k_2 |x|^a |y|^b$ , for all  $x, y \in A^*$  in Theorem 4.1 with  $\alpha < -1$  and in Theorem 4.2 with  $\alpha > -1$ , the proof of the corollary is complete.

**Corollary 4.5.** Let  $k_3 \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \neq -1$  be real numbers, and  $f: A^* \rightarrow B$  be a mapping satisfying the functional inequality

$$|D_f(x, y)| \leq k_3 \left( |x|^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} |y|^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} + (|x|^\alpha + |y|^\alpha) \right)$$

For all  $x, y \in A^*$ . Then there exists a unique reciprocal mapping  $r: A^* \rightarrow B$  satisfying (1.8) and

$$|f(x) - r(x)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{3k_3}{|2|^\alpha} |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha < -1 \\ 6k_3 |x|^\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha > -1 \end{cases}$$

For every  $x \in A^*$ .

**Proof:** The proof follows immediately by taking

$$\phi(x, y) = \left( |x|^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} |y|^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} + (|x|^\alpha + |y|^\alpha) \right)$$

with  $\alpha < -1$  and in Theorem 4.2 with  $\alpha > -1$ .

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