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# Ulam stability of Volterra integral equation on a generalized metric space

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**Abstract.** The aim of this paper is to give some Ulam-Hyers stability results for Volterra integral equations on a generalized metric space. In this case we consider the Volterra integral equation in the Krasnoselski-Krein and Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions. Here we present only Ulam-Hyers stability for the Volterra integral equation.

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#### 1. Introduction

The Ulam stability is an important concept in the theory of Volterra integral equations. This problem has been studied by L.P. Castro and A. Ramos [1], N. Cădariu and V. Radu [2], S.M. Jung [3], I.A. Rus [9], [10], I.A. Rus and N. Lungu [11]. But, on a generalized metric spaces this problem has been studied in the papers [1] and [10]. In what follows we shall present Ulam-Hyers stability of a Volterra integral equation on a generalized metric space, N. Lungu [5]. Here, we consider a Volterra integral equation in the Krasnoselski-Krein and Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions. In the present work we consider a generalized metric space (X, d), where  $d(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$  is a generalized metric on X. For these we need some notions and results from the generalized metric spaces theory.

Let (X, d) be a generalized metric space. On X we have the following equivalence relation:

$$x \sim y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) < \infty, \ \forall \ x, y \in X.$$

Let  $X = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_{\lambda}$  be the canonical decomposition of X after this equivalence relation. We denote

 $d_{\lambda}(x,y) = d(x,y)\Big|_{X_{\lambda} \times X_{\lambda}}$ 

and we have that  $(X_{\lambda}, d_{\lambda})$  is a metric space ([7]).

In this paper we need the following two theorems (see W.A.J. Luxemburg [6], I.A. Rus [7], [8]):

**Theorem 1.1.** Let (X, d) be a generalized complete metric space and  $A : X \to X$  an operator with the property:

 $\exists \alpha \in [0,1]$  such that  $d(x,y) < \infty \Rightarrow d(A(x),A(y)) \le \alpha d(x,y)$ 

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

If there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $d(x_0, A(x_0)) < +\infty$ , then the operator A has at least one fixed point.

**Theorem 1.2.** (Luxemburg-Jung). Let (X, d) be a generalized complete metric space and his canonical decomposition  $X = \bigcup X_{\lambda}$ . If  $A : X \to X$  is a contraction, then the operator A have in every  $X_{\lambda}$ , for which exists  $u_{\lambda}$  such that

$$d(u_{\lambda}, A(u_{\lambda})) < +\infty,$$

a unique fixed point.

# 2. Ulam-Hyers stability in the generalized Krasnoselski-Krein conditions

In what follows we shall consider the following integral equation

$$u(x,y) = h(x,y) + \int_0^x \int_0^y f(s,t,u(s,t)) ds dt$$

$$f: [0,a) \times [0,b) \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}, h: [0,a) \times [0,b) \to \mathbb{R},$$

$$f \in C([0,a) \times [0,b) \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}),$$

$$h \in C([0,a) \times [0,b), \mathbb{R}), u \in C([0,a) \times [0,b), \mathbb{R}),$$

$$(x,y) \in [0,a) \times [0,b), D = [0,a) \times [0,b).$$

$$(2.1)$$

Let X be the set:

$$X = C(D) \tag{2.2}$$

and the generalized metrics:

$$d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$$
  
$$d(u_1, u_2) := \sup_D \frac{|u_1(x, y) - u_2(x, y)|}{(xy)^{p\sqrt{k}}}$$
(2.3)

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in X$ , p > 1, k > 0.

It is known that the space (X, d) is a generalized complete metric space. Let  $a, b \in (0, \infty]$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . In what follows we denote by A the operator

$$A: X \to X$$

A(u)(x, y) := the second part of (2.1).

Then the equation (2.1) becomes

$$u(x,y) = A(u)(x,y).$$
 (2.4)

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For the fixed point equation (2.4) we have:

**Definition 2.1.** ([10]) The equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable if there exists the positive real number  $C_f > 0$  such that, for each  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$  and each solution v of the inequation

$$d(v, Av) \le \varepsilon \tag{2.5}$$

there exists a solution  $u \in X$  of (2.4) such that

$$d(u,v) \le C_f \cdot \varepsilon.$$

In this case we have

**Theorem 2.2.** We suppose that:

(i) f: E → ℝ is continuous and bounded on E, E = D × ℝ;
(ii) a < ∞, b < ∞;</li>
(iii) f verifies the generalized Krasnoselski-Krein conditions ([4]):

$$|f(x, y, u_1) - f(x, y, u_2)| \le \frac{k}{xy} |u_1 - u_2|, \ k > 0$$
(2.6)

$$|f(x, y, u_1) - f(x, y, u_2)| \le \frac{c}{(xy)^{\beta}} |u_1 - u_2|^{\alpha}, \ c > 0$$
(2.7)

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \in (0,1), \ \beta < \alpha, \ k(1-\alpha)^2 < (1-\beta)^2, \ \beta < p\sqrt{k}, \ xy \neq 0, \\ p^2 k(1-\alpha)^2 < (1-\beta)^2, \ for \ all \ (x,y,u) \in E. \end{aligned}$$

Then the equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

*Proof.* We consider X = C(D) and  $X = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_{\lambda}$ . Let v be a solution of the inequation (2.5) and there exists  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  such that  $v \in X_{\lambda}$ . By Luxemburg-Jung theorem (Theorem

(2.5) and there exists  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  such that  $v \in X_{\lambda}$ . By Luxemburg-Jung theorem (Theorem 1.2), the equation (2.4) has a unique solution u in  $X_{\lambda}$ .

From (2.1), (2.5), (2.6) and (2.7), we have:

$$|v(x,y) - u(x,y)| \le \left| v(x,y) - h(x,y) - \int_0^x \int_0^y f(s,t,v(s,t)) ds dt \right| + \int_0^x \int_0^y |f(s,t,v(s,t)) - f(s,t,u(s,t))| ds dt.$$
(2.8)

Hence, from (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7), we have

$$|v(x,y) - u(x,y)| \le |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{k}{st} |v(s,t) - u(s,t)| ds dt,$$

or

$$|v(x,y) - u(x,y)| \le |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + \int_0^x \int_0^y k d(u,v)(st)^{p\sqrt{k}-1} ds dt,$$

and

$$|v(x,y) - u(x,y)| \le |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + kd(u,v)\frac{(xy)^{p\sqrt{k}}}{p^2k},$$

from where we have

$$d(u,v) \le \varepsilon + \frac{1}{p^2}d(u,v)$$

and

$$d(u,v) \le \frac{p^2}{p^2 - 1}\varepsilon\tag{2.9}$$

then

 $d(u,v) \le C_f \cdot \varepsilon$ 

where

$$C_f = \frac{p^2}{p^2 - 1}$$

So, from Definition 2.1, the equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Example 2.3.** Let us consider the equation (2.1) in the Krasnoselski-Krein conditions (2.6)+(2.7) and

$$f(x, y, u) = u(x, y)xye^{-x^2y^2}, \ h(x, y) = x^2y^2,$$

then  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \ \beta = \frac{1}{3}, \ k = 1, \ p = 2.$ 

In this case we have  $c_f = \frac{p^2}{p^2 - 1}$  and for p = 2,  $c_f = \frac{4}{3}$ , hence the equation (2.1) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

## 3. Ulam-Hyers stability in the generalized Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions

In this case we consider the integral equation (2.1) in the same conditions. Let X = C(D) and the generalized metrics

$$d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_{+} \cup \{+\infty\}$$
$$d(u_{1}, u_{2}) = \sup_{D} \frac{|u_{1}(x, y) - u_{2}(x, y)|}{(xy)^{p+1}}$$
(3.1)

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in X, p > -1$ .

It is known that the space (X, d) is a generalized complete metric space. Here, we consider the stability of the equation (2.4) in the generalized Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions.

#### Theorem 3.1. If we have

(i) f: E → R is continuous and bounded on E;
(ii) a < +∞, b < +∞;</li>
(iii) f verifies the generalized Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions ([12]):

$$|f(x, y, u)| \le \alpha (xy)^p, \ p > -1, \ \alpha > 0.$$
 (3.2)

$$|f(x, y, u_1) - f(x, y, u_2)| \le \frac{c}{(xy)^r} |u_1 - u_2|^q, \ q \ge 1, \ c > 0,$$
(3.3)

$$pq + q - r = p, \ xy \neq 0, \ \rho = \frac{c(2\alpha)^{q-1}}{(p+1)^{2q}} < 1, \ for \ all \ (x, y, u) \in E.$$

Then the equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

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*Proof.* Evidently, in the conditions Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen, by Luxemburg-Jung theorem (Theorem 1.2), the equation (2.4) has a unique solution u in  $X_{\lambda}$ .

First we observe that

$$|v(x,y) - u(x,y)| \le \frac{2\alpha}{(p+1)^2} (xy)^{p+1}.$$
(3.4)

From (2.1), (2.5), (3.2), (3.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |v(x,y) - u(x,y)| &\leq \left| v(x,y) - h(x,y) - \int_0^x \int_0^y f(s,t,v(s,t)) ds dt \right. \\ &+ \int_0^x \int_0^y |f(s,t,v(s,t)) - f(s,t,u(s,t))| ds dt. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |v(x,y) - u(x,y)| &\leq |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{c}{(st)^r} |v(s,t) - u(s,t)|^q ds dt \\ &\leq |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{c}{(st)^r} \cdot \frac{|v(s,t) - u(s,t)|}{(st)^{p+1}} \cdot \frac{|v(s,t) - u(s,t)|^{q-1}}{(st)^{-p-1}} ds dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq |v(x,y) - A(v)(x,y)| + cd(u,v) \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{(2\alpha)^{q-1}}{(p+1)^{2(q-1)}} (st)^{pq+q-r} ds dt.$$

Then we have

$$d(u,v) \le d(v,A(v)) + \rho d(u,v) \tag{3.5}$$

and

$$d(u,v) \le \frac{\varepsilon}{1-\rho},$$

then

$$d(u,v) \le C_f \cdot \varepsilon$$

where

$$C_f = \frac{1}{1-\rho}.$$

From Definition 2.1, the equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Remark 3.2.** For every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  there exists at least a solution v of (2.5) in  $X_{\lambda}$  and for each v exists a unique solution u of (2.4) which is Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Remark 3.3.** It is possible that the inequation (2.5) do not have a solution, but in this case the equation (2.4) is Ulam-Hyers stable.

**Example 3.4.** Let us consider the equation (2.1) in the Naguno-Perron-Van Kampen conditions (3.2)+(3.3), p > -1, r = 1,  $q \ge 1$ .

In this case  $c_f = \frac{1}{1-\rho}$ , where  $\rho = \frac{c(2\alpha)^{q-1}}{(p+1)^{2q}}$  and the equation (2.1) is Ulam-Hyers stable. If  $\rho = 1$  then the equation (2.1) is Ulam-Hyers instable.

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