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On Hyers–Ulam and Hyers–Ulam–Rassias Stability of a Nonlinear Second-Order Dynamic Equation on Time Scales

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Abstract: In this paper, we obtain sufficient conditions for Hyers–Ulam and Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of an abstract second-order nonlinear dynamic equation on bounded time scales. An illustrative example is given to show the applicability of the theoretical results.

Keywords: time scales; second order nonlinear dynamic equations on time scales; Hyers–Ulam stability; Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability



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1. Introduction

In 1940, the audience of the Mathematics Club of the University of Wisconsin had the pleasure to listen to the talk of S. M. Ulam presenting a list of unsolved problems. See [1]. Such problems have been taken up by Hyers [2], Rassias [3] and other fine mathematicians. Since then, the stability problems of many function equations have been extensively investigated in various abstract spaces [4–6]. Obloza [7] appears to be the first author who investigated the Hyers–Ulam stability of a differential equation, followed by Alsina and Ger [8]. Then, a generalized result was given by S. E. Takahasi, T. Miura and S. Miyajima [9], in which they investigated the stability of the Banach space valued linear differential equation of first order (see also [10,11]).

Many interesting results concerning the Ulam stability of different types have been established. For example, see [12–23]. Some studies dealing with difference equations were published in [24,25]. Recently, many articles studied the Hyers–Ulam stability of Dynamic equations on time scales [26–30]. Hamza and Yaseen [31] generalized and extended the work of Douglas R. Anderson, Ben Gates and Dylan Heuer [26] for unbounded time scales. In [32], Hamza et al. obtained new sufficient conditions for Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of an abstract second-order linear dynamic equation on time scales.

In this paper, we investigate sufficient conditions for Hyers–Ulam and Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of second-order nonlinear dynamic equations on time scales of the form

$$\psi^{\Delta^2}(t) = \mathcal{Q}(t)\psi(t) + \mathcal{G}(t, \psi(t), h(\psi(t))) + f(t), \quad t \in \mathcal{J}^k, \quad \psi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i \in \mathbb{X}, i = 0, 1, \quad (1)$$

where $\mathcal{J} := [a, b] \cap \mathbb{T}$ with a time scale $\mathbb{T} \subset \mathbb{R}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{T}$, $a < b$, and \mathbb{X} is a Banach space endowed with a norm $\|\cdot\|$. Additionally, $\mathcal{G}(t, x, y) : \mathcal{J} \times \mathbb{X}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ is such that $\mathcal{G}(\cdot, x, y)$ is rd-continuous and $\mathcal{G}(t, \cdot, y)$ and $\mathcal{G}(t, x, \cdot)$ are continuous for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{X}$. Additionally, $\mathcal{Q} \in \mathcal{R}$, the family of all regressive and rd-continuous functions from \mathcal{J} to \mathbb{R} , $f \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ the space of all rd-continuous functions from \mathcal{J} to \mathbb{X} , and $h : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ is continuous. As usual, for a bounded function $\Phi : X \rightarrow Y$ from a normed space X to a normed space Y , we denote

$$\|\Phi\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in X} \|\Phi(x)\|.$$

For the time scale terminology, we refer the reader to Bohner and Peterson [33,34]. We introduce the notion of the Lipschitz condition with some constants.

Definition 1. A function $f : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{X}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ is said to satisfy the Lipschitz condition with constant $L > 0$ if

$$\|f(t, x_1, \dots, x_k) - f(t, y_1, \dots, y_k)\| \leq L \sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i - y_i\| \tag{2}$$

for all $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{X}$ and all $t \in \mathbb{T}$.

As usual, a function $h : \mathbb{X}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ is said to satisfy the Lipschitz condition with constant $\gamma > 0$ if

$$\|h(x_1, \dots, x_k) - h(y_1, \dots, y_k)\| \leq \gamma \sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i - y_i\|. \tag{3}$$

2. Sufficient Conditions for Existence and Uniqueness of Solutions

Theorem 1. Let $\mathcal{K}(t, x) : \mathcal{J} \times \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ be rd-continuous in $t \in \mathcal{J}$ for every $x \in \mathbb{X}$, and continuous in x for every $t \in \mathcal{J}$. Then, ψ is a solution of

$$\psi^{\Delta^2}(t) = \mathcal{K}(t, \psi(t)), \quad t \in \mathcal{J}^\kappa, \quad \psi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i \in \mathbb{X}, i = 0, 1, \tag{4}$$

if, and only if ψ solves the integral equation

$$\psi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) - \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))\mathcal{K}(s, \psi(s))\Delta s, \quad t \in \mathcal{J}, \tag{5}$$

for some constants $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{X}$.

Proof. Assume that ψ satisfies the integral Equation (5). We denote by

$$\mathcal{M}(t) = - \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))\mathcal{K}(s, \psi(s))\Delta s.$$

By Theorem 1.117(i) in [33], we conclude that

$$\mathcal{M}^\Delta(t) = \int_a^t \mathcal{K}(s, \psi(s))\Delta s,$$

and

$$\mathcal{M}^{\Delta^2}(t) = \mathcal{K}(t, \psi(t)).$$

This implies that $\psi^{\Delta^2}(t) = \mathcal{K}(t, \psi(t))$. To prove the other direction, assume ψ is a solution of Equation (4). We denote by

$$G(t) = \int_a^t \mathcal{K}(s, \psi(s)) \Delta s,$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}(t) = \int_a^t G(s) \Delta s.$$

By integrating both sides of (4) twice, we have

$$\psi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) + \mathcal{L}(t).$$

Here, $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. It is readily seen that $\mathcal{M}(t) = \mathcal{L}(t)$ for every t . Indeed, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^\Delta(t) &= G(t) \\ &= \int_a^t \mathcal{K}(s, \psi(s)) \Delta s \\ &= \mathcal{M}^\Delta(t). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, $\mathcal{M}(t) = \mathcal{L}(t) + C, t \in [a, b]_{\mathbb{T}}$. We have $C = \mathcal{M}(a) - \mathcal{L}(a) = 0$. Therefore, ψ satisfies Equation (5). \square

As a direct consequence, setting $\mathcal{K}(t, \psi(t)) = \mathcal{Q}(t)\psi(t) + \mathcal{G}(t, \psi(t), h(\psi(t))) + f(t)$, we get the following:

Corollary 1. ψ is a solution of Equation (1) if and only if ψ solves the integral equation

$$\psi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) - \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))(\mathcal{Q}(s)\psi(s) + \mathcal{G}(s, \psi(s), h(\psi(s))) + f(s))\Delta s, \quad t \in \mathcal{J}, \tag{6}$$

for some constants $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{X}$.

Throughout the rest of the paper, we use the following conditions.

- (A) $\mathcal{Q} \in \mathcal{R}$ and $f \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$.
- (B) \mathcal{G} and h satisfy the Lipschitz conditions with constants β and γ , respectively.
- (C) For any $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{X}$, (1) has a solution ϕ satisfying $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$.
- (D) There is $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\sup_{t \in \mathcal{J}} \int_a^t |\mathcal{Q}(s)|\Delta s \leq \frac{\alpha}{b - a} - \beta(1 + \gamma)(b - a).$$

Theorem 2. Assume (A), (B), and (D). If $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{X}$, then (1) has a unique solution ϕ satisfying $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$.

Proof. Fix $a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{X}$. Define the operator $T : C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X}) \rightarrow C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ by

$$T\psi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) + \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))(-\mathcal{Q}(s)\psi(s) - \mathcal{G}(s, \psi(s), h(\psi(s))) - f(s))\Delta s.$$

For $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in (C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X}))$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\psi_1(t) - T\psi_2(t)\| &\leq \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)|(|\mathcal{Q}(s)|\|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| \\ &\quad + \|\mathcal{G}(s, \psi_1(s), h(\psi_1(s))) - \mathcal{G}(s, \psi_2(s), h(\psi_2(s)))\|)\Delta s. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

It follows from (B) and (D) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T\psi_1(t) - T\psi_2(t)\| &\leq \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)| |\mathcal{Q}(s)| \|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| \Delta s \\
 &\quad + \beta \int_a^t (\|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| + \|h(\psi_1(s)) - h(\psi_2(s))\|) \Delta s \\
 &\leq \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)| |\mathcal{Q}(s)| \|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| \Delta s \\
 &\quad + \beta \int_a^t (\|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| + \gamma \|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\|) \Delta s \\
 &\leq \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)| [|\mathcal{Q}(s)| \|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\| + \beta(1 + \gamma) \|\psi_1(s) - \psi_2(s)\|] \Delta s \\
 &\leq (b - a) \|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|_\infty (\int_a^t |\mathcal{Q}(s)| \Delta s + \beta(1 + \gamma)(b - a)) \\
 &\leq \alpha \|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|_\infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies that T is a contraction. Therefore, T has a unique fixed point ϕ , which is the unique solution of the integral Equation (6). By Corollary 1, ϕ is the unique solution of (1) satisfying the initial conditions. \square

3. Hyers–Ulam Stability Results

In this section, we assume that $\mathcal{Q} \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{R})$ and $f \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$. We investigate the Hyers–Ulam stability of (1). For a function $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$, the space of all rd-continuous functions whose first and second derivatives exist and are rd-continuous, we denote

$$\mathcal{H}_\psi(t) = \mathcal{Q}(t)\psi(t) + \mathcal{G}(t, \psi(t), h(\psi(t))) + f(t), \tag{8}$$

and

$$g_\psi(t) := \psi^{\Delta^2}(t) - \mathcal{H}_\psi(t). \tag{9}$$

First, we recall the concept of Hyers–Ulam stability. See [12].

Definition 2 (Hyers–Ulam Stability). *We say that (1) has Hyers–Ulam stability if there exists a constant $L > 0$, a so-called HUS constant, with the following property. For any $\epsilon > 0$, if $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ is such that*

$$\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \epsilon \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{J}^k, \tag{10}$$

then there exists a solution $\phi : \mathcal{J} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ of (1) such that

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq L\epsilon \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{J}. \tag{11}$$

The next Theorem establishes sufficient conditions for the Hyers–Ulam stability of (1).

Theorem 3. *If (A), (B), and (C) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam stability with HUS constant*

$$L := (b - a)^2 e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}| + \beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a). \tag{12}$$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ such that (10) holds. Then ψ satisfies the equation

$$\psi^{\Delta^2}(t) = \mathcal{H}_\psi(t) + g_\psi(t), \quad t \in \mathcal{J}^{k^2}. \tag{13}$$

Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, ψ satisfies the integral equation

$$\psi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) - \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s)) (\mathcal{H}_\psi(s) + g_\psi(s)) \Delta s. \tag{14}$$

By (C), there exists a solution ϕ of (1) with $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$, that is, by Corollary 1,

$$\phi(t) = a_0 + a_1(t - a) - \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))\mathcal{H}_\phi(s)\Delta s. \tag{15}$$

Subtracting (15) from (14), we find, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq \left\| \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))g_\psi(s)\Delta s \right\| + \left\| \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))Q(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\Delta s \right\| \\ &+ \left\| \int_a^t (s - t + \mu(s))[\mathcal{G}(s, \psi(s), h(\psi(s))) - \mathcal{G}(s, \phi(s), h(\phi(s)))]\Delta s \right\|. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Taking into account (B), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \|g_\psi(s)\|\Delta s + \int_a^t (b - a)\|Q(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\|\Delta s \\ &+ \int_a^t (b - a)\beta[\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| + \|h(\psi(s)) - h(\phi(s))\|]\Delta s \\ &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \|g_\psi(s)\|\Delta s + \int_a^t (b - a)\|Q(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\|\Delta s \\ &+ \int_a^t (b - a)\beta[\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| + \gamma\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|]\Delta s \\ &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \|g_\psi(s)\|\Delta s + \int_a^t (b - a)\|Q(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\|\Delta s \\ &+ \int_a^t (b - a)\beta(1 + \gamma)\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|\Delta s. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq (b - a) \int_a^t \|g_\psi(s)\|\Delta s + \int_a^t (b - a)[\|Q(s)\| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|\Delta s. \tag{17}$$

Since $\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \epsilon$ holds for $t \in \mathcal{J}$, we have

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq \epsilon(b - a)^2 + \int_a^t (b - a)[\|Q(s)\| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|\Delta s.$$

Thus, by Gronwall’s inequality, ([33] Corollary 6.7), we conclude that

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq \epsilon(b - a)^2 e_{(b-a)[\|Q\|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a). \tag{18}$$

Therefore, (1) has Hyers–Ulam stability with HUS constant L given in (12). □

Theorem 4. *If (A), (B), and (D) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam stability with HUS constant*

$$L := \frac{(b - a)^2}{1 - \alpha}. \tag{19}$$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ such that (10) holds. Set $g_\psi(t)$ as in (9). Then ψ satisfies (13). Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (14) holds. By Theorem 2, there exists

a unique solution ϕ of (1) with $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$. By Corollary 1, $\phi(t)$ is as in (15). By subtracting (15) from (14) and as in the proof of Theorem 3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq \epsilon(b-a)^2 + \int_a^t (b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1+\gamma)]\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|\Delta s \\ &\leq \epsilon(b-a)^2 + (b-a)\|\psi - \phi\|_\infty \int_a^t [|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1+\gamma)]\Delta s \\ &\leq \epsilon(b-a)^2 + \alpha\|\psi - \phi\|_\infty, t \in \mathcal{J}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\|\psi - \phi\|_\infty \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{1-\alpha}\epsilon. \tag{20}$$

Therefore, (1) has Hyers–Ulam stability with HUS constant L given in (19). \square

4. Hyers–Ulam–Rassias Stability

In this section, we introduce the Hyers–Ulam–Rassias Stability of (1).

Definition 3 (Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability). *Let \mathcal{N} be a family of positive rd-continuous functions on \mathcal{J} . We say that Equation (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type \mathcal{N} if there exist a constant $L > 0$, a so-called $HURS_{\mathcal{N}}$ constant, with the following property. For any $\omega \in \mathcal{N}$, if $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ is such that*

$$\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \omega(t) \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{J}^{\kappa^2}, \tag{21}$$

then there exists a solution $\phi : \mathcal{J} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ of (1) such that

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq L\omega(t) \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{J}. \tag{22}$$

We note that Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability yields Hyers–Ulam stability, when

$$\mathcal{N} = \{l_\epsilon : \epsilon > 0\},$$

where $l_\epsilon(t) = \epsilon, t \in \mathcal{J}$. We use the notations (8) and (9),

$$\mathcal{N}^* := \{\omega \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, (0, \infty)) : \omega \text{ is nondecreasing}\} \tag{23}$$

and for $\Lambda \geq 1, \delta > 0$

$$\mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta := \left\{ \omega \in C_{rd}(\mathcal{J}, (0, \infty)) : \int_a^t \omega^\Lambda(s) \Delta s \leq \delta \omega^\Lambda(t) \text{ for all } t \in \mathcal{J} \right\}. \tag{24}$$

The following theorem is concerned with Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability.

Theorem 5. *If (A), (B), and (C) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type \mathcal{N}^* with $HURS_{\mathcal{N}^*}$ constant*

$$L := (b-a)^2 e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a). \tag{25}$$

Proof. Let $\omega \in \mathcal{N}^*$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ be such that (21) holds. Then ψ satisfies (13). Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (14) holds. By (C), there exists a solution ϕ of (1) that satisfies $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$. Then, (15) holds. Subtracting (15) from (14), we obtain inequality (16), and by taking into account (B), we get inequality (17).

Since $\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \omega(t)$ for $t \in \mathcal{J}$, we get

$$\|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| \leq (b-a)^2\omega(t) + \int_a^t (b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1+\gamma)]\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\|\Delta s.$$

Using Gronwall’s inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.4), and by ([33] Theorem 2.39), we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq (b - a)^2\omega(t) \\ &\quad + \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s))(b - a)^2\omega(s)(b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\Delta s \\ &\leq (b - a)^2\omega(t) \\ &\quad + (b - a)^2\omega(t) \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s))(b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\Delta s \\ &\leq (b - a)^2\omega(t) \\ &\quad + (b - a)^2\omega(t) \left(e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, a) - e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, t) \right) \\ &\leq (b - a)^2e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a)\omega(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type \mathcal{N}^* with a constant L defined by (25). \square

Theorem 6. *If (A), (B), and (C) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_1^\delta$ with $HURS_{\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_1^\delta}$ constant*

$$L := \delta(b - a)e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a). \tag{26}$$

Proof. Let $\omega \in \mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_1^\delta$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ be such that (21) holds. Then ψ satisfies (13). Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (14) holds. By (C), there exists a solution ϕ of (1) that satisfies $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$. By Corollary 1, (15) holds. Subtracting (15) from (14), we obtain inequality (16), and by taking into account (B), we get inequality (17).

Since $\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \omega(t)$ for $t \in \mathcal{J}$, we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \omega(s)\Delta s + \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)| \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + \int_a^t |s - t + \mu(s)| [\beta \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| + \|h(\psi(s)) - h(\phi(s))\|] \Delta s. \\ &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \omega(s)\Delta s + \int_a^t (b - a) \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + \int_a^t (b - a)\beta(1 + \gamma) \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta(b - a)\omega(t) + \int_a^t (b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Gronwall’s inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.4), and by ([33] Theorem 2.39), we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq \delta(b - a)\omega(t) \\ &\quad + \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s))(b - a)\delta\omega(s)(b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\Delta s \\ &\leq \delta(b - a)\omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta(b - a)\omega(t) \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s))(b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)]\Delta s \\ &\leq \delta(b - a)\omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta(b - a)\omega(t) \left(e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, a) - e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, t) \right) \\ &\leq \delta(b - a)e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a)\omega(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_1^\delta$ with a constant L given in (26). \square

Theorem 7. Let $\Lambda > 1$ and $\Gamma := \Lambda/(\Lambda - 1)$. If (A), (B), and (C) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ with $HURS_{\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta}$ constant

$$L := \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a). \tag{27}$$

Proof. Let $\omega \in \mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ be such that (21) holds. Then ψ satisfies (13). Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (14) holds. By (C), there exists a solution ϕ of (1) that satisfies $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$. By Corollary 1, (15) holds. Subtracting (15) from (14), we obtain inequality (16), and by taking into account (B), we get inequality (17).

Since $\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \omega(t)$ for $t \in \mathcal{J}$, we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq (b - a) \int_a^t \omega(s) \Delta s + (b - a) \int_a^t \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + (b - a)\beta(1 + \gamma) \int_a^t \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s \\ &\leq (b - a) \sqrt[\Gamma]{t - a} \sqrt[\Lambda]{\int_a^t \omega^\Lambda(s) \Delta s} + (b - a) \int_a^t \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + (b - a)\beta(1 + \gamma) \int_a^t \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) + \int_a^t (b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the Hölder inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.13). Thus, by applying Gronwall’s inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.4), and by applying ([33] Theorem 2.39), we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s)) \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(s) (b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \int_a^t e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, \sigma(s)) (b - a)[|\mathcal{Q}(s)| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \left(e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, a) - e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(t, t) \right) \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a) \omega(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, Equation (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}^* \cap \mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ with constant L defined in (27). \square

Theorem 8. Let $\Lambda > 1$ and $\Gamma := \Lambda/(\Lambda - 1)$. If (A), (B), and (C) hold, then (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ with $HURS_{\mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta}$ constant

$$L := \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \left(1 + \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}}(b - a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} [\|\mathcal{Q}\|_\infty + \beta(1 + \gamma)] e_{(b-a)[|\mathcal{Q}|+\beta(1+\gamma)]}(b, a) \right). \tag{28}$$

Proof. Let $\omega \in \mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ and $\psi \in C_{rd}^2(\mathcal{J}, \mathbb{X})$ be such that (21) holds. Then ψ satisfies (13). Let $a_i = \psi^{\Delta^i}(a), i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (14) holds. By (C), there exists a unique solution ϕ of

(1) that satisfies $\phi^{\Delta^i}(a) = a_i, i = 0, 1$. By Theorem 1, (15) holds. Subtracting (15) from (14), we obtain inequality (16), and by taking into account (B), we get inequality (17). Since $\|g_\psi(t)\| \leq \omega(t)$ for $t \in \mathcal{J}$, we obtain, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq (b-a) \int_a^t \omega(s) \Delta s + \int_a^t |s-t + \mu(s)| \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + \int_a^t |s-t + \mu(s)| \beta [\|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| + \|h(\psi(s)) - h(\phi(s))\|] \Delta s \\ &\leq (b-a) \sqrt[t-a]{\Gamma} \sqrt[\Lambda]{\int_a^t \omega^\Lambda(s) \Delta s} + (b-a) \int_a^t \|\mathcal{Q}(s)(\psi(s) - \phi(s))\| \Delta s \\ &\quad + (b-a) \beta (1 + \gamma) \int_a^t \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) + \int_a^t (b-a) [\|\mathcal{Q}(s)\| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \|\psi(s) - \phi(s)\| \Delta s, \end{aligned}$$

where we have applied the Hölder inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.13). Thus, by using Gronwall’s inequality, ([33] Theorem 6.4), and by applying ([33] Theorem 2.39), we get, for all $t \in \mathcal{J}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi(t) - \phi(t)\| &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \int_a^t e^{(b-a)[\|\mathcal{Q}\| + \beta(1+\gamma)](t, \sigma(s))} \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(s) (b-a) [\|\mathcal{Q}(s)\| + \beta(1 + \gamma)] \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{2\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} [\|\mathcal{Q}\|_\infty + \beta(1 + \gamma)] e^{(b-a)[\|\mathcal{Q}\| + \beta(1+\gamma)](b, a)} \int_a^t \omega(s) \Delta s \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) \\ &\quad + \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{2\Gamma+2}{\Gamma}} [\|\mathcal{Q}\|_\infty + \beta(1 + \gamma)] e^{(b-a)[\|\mathcal{Q}\| + \beta(1+\gamma)](b, a)} \left(\int_a^t \omega^\Lambda(s) \Delta s \right)^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} \\ &\leq \delta^{\frac{1}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{\Gamma+1}{\Gamma}} \omega(t) + \delta^{\frac{2}{\Lambda}} (b-a)^{\frac{2\Gamma+2}{\Gamma}} [\|\mathcal{Q}\|_\infty \\ &\quad + \beta(1 + \gamma)] e^{(b-a)[\|\mathcal{Q}\| + \beta(1+\gamma)](b, a)} \omega(t) \\ &= L\omega(t). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, Equation (1) has Hyers–Ulam–Rassias stability of type $\mathcal{N}_\Lambda^\delta$ with constant L given in (28). □

Remark 1. Since condition (D) implies condition (C), all results in Sections 3 and 4 are true, if we replace (C) by (D).

Example 1. Now, we give an example for which conditions (A), (B) and (D) are satisfied. Let $\mathbb{T} := \cup_{k=0}^\infty [2k, 2k + 1]$. Let $m \in \mathbb{N}, a = 0$ and $b = 2m + 1$. Fix $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and $\beta \in (0, \frac{\alpha}{2(2m + 1)^2})$. Assume $f \in C_{rd}, \mathcal{G}(t, x, y) = \beta(\cos x + y)$, and $h(x) = \sin x$. Choose a positive number C such that $C \geq \frac{2^m e^{m+1} (2m + 1)}{\alpha - 2\beta(2m + 1)^2}$. Take $\mathcal{Q}(t) = \frac{e_1(t, 0)}{C}$. Equation (1) takes the form

$$\psi^{\Delta^2}(t) = \frac{e_1(t, 0)}{C} \psi(t) + \beta(\cos(\psi(t)) + \sin(\psi(t))) + f(t).$$

Clearly, condition **(A)** holds. Additionally, condition **(B)** is true, since \mathcal{G} and h satisfy Lipschitz conditions with constants β and $\gamma = 1$, respectively. Finally, we check that **(D)** holds. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^b \mathcal{Q}(s) \Delta s &= \frac{1}{C} (e_1(b, 0) - 1) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{C} e_1(b, 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{C} e_1(2m + 1, 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{C} 2^m e^{m+1} \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha - 2\beta(2m + 1)^2}{2^m e^{m+1} (2m + 1)} 2^m e^{m+1} \\ &= \frac{\alpha - 2\beta(2m + 1)^2}{2m + 1} \end{aligned}$$

where according to ([33] Example 2.58), we have $e_1(2m + 1, 0) = 2^m e^{m+1}$.

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