



## ON THE STABILITY OF THE FIRST ORDER LINEAR RECURRENCE IN TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

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ABSTRACT. Suppose that  $\mathcal{X}$  is a sequentially complete Hausdorff locally convex space over a scalar field  $\mathbb{K}$ ,  $V$  is a bounded subset of  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus \{0\}$  with the property  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| > 1$  and  $(b_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$ . We show that for every sequence  $(x_n)_{n \geq 0}$  in  $\mathcal{X}$  satisfying

$$x_{n+1} - a_n x_n - b_n \in V \quad (n \geq 0)$$

there exists a unique sequence  $(y_n)_{n \geq 0}$  satisfying the recurrence  $y_{n+1} = a_n y_n + b_n$  ( $n \geq 0$ ) and for every  $q$  with  $1 < q < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$x_n - y_n \in \frac{1}{q-1} \overline{\text{conv}(V^b)} \quad (n \geq n_0).$$

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The stability problem of functional equations was originally raised by Ulam [19] in 1940 on a talk at Wisconsin University. The problem posed by Ulam was the following: "Under what conditions does there exist an additive mapping near an approximately additive mapping?" The first answer to the question was given by Hyers in the case of Banach spaces [7]. After Hyers' result many papers dedicated to this topic extending Ulam's problem to other

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