HYERS-ULAM-RASSIAS STABILITY OF A COMPOSITE FUNCTIONAL EQUATION IN VARIOUS NORMED SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam (or Hyers-Ulam-Rassias) stability of the following composite functional equation

$$f(f(x) - f(y)) + f(x) + f(y) = f(x+y) + f(x-y),$$

in various normed spaces.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let Γ^+ denote the set of all probability distribution functions $F: \mathbb{R} \cup [-\infty, +\infty] \to [0, 1]$ such that F is left-continuous and nondecreasing on \mathbb{R} and $F(0) = 0, F(+\infty) = 1$. It is clear that the set $D^+ = \{F \in \Gamma^+ : l^-F(-\infty) = 1\}$, where $l^-f(x) = \lim_{t \to x^-} f(t)$, is a subset of Γ^+ . The set Γ^+ is partially ordered by the usual point-wise ordering of functions, that is, $F \leq G$ if and only if $F(t) \leq G(t)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. For any $a \geq 0$, the element $H_a(t)$ of D^+ is defined by $H_a(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \leq a, \\ 1, & \text{if } t > a \end{cases}$.

Definition 1.1. A function $T: [0,1]^2 \to [0,1]$ is a *continuous triangular norm* (briefly, a t-norm) if T satisfies the following conditions: (a) T is commutative and associative;

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- (b) T is continuous;
- (c) T(x,1) = x for all $x \in [0,1]$;
- (d) $T(x,y) \le T(z,w)$ whenever $x \le z$ and $y \le w$ for all $x,y,z,w \in [0,1]$.

Definition 1.2. A random normed space (briefly, RN-space) is a triple (X, μ, T) , where X is a vector space, T is a continuous t-norm and $\mu: X \to D^+$ is a mapping such that the following conditions hold:

- (a) $\mu_x(t) = H_0(t)$ for all $x \in X$ and t > 0 if and only if x = 0;
- (b) $\mu_{\alpha x}(t) = \mu_x \left(\frac{t}{|\alpha|}\right)$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ with $\alpha \neq 0$, $x \in X$ and $t \geq 0$;
- (c) $\mu_{x+y}(t+s) \geq T(\mu_x(t), \mu_y(s))$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $t, s \geq 0$.

Definition 1.3. By a non-Archimedean field we mean a field \mathbb{K} equipped with a function (valuation) $|\cdot|: \mathbb{K} \to [0, \infty)$ such that for all $r, s \in \mathbb{K}$, the following conditions hold:

- (i) |r| = 0 if and only if r = 0;
- (ii) |rs| = |r||s|;
- (iii) $|r+s| \le max\{|r|, |s|\}.$

Remark 1.4. Clearly |1| = |-1| = 1 and $|n| \le 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 1.5. Let X be a vector space over a scalar field \mathbb{K} with a non-Archimedean non-trivial valuation $|\cdot|$. A function $||\cdot||: X \to \mathbb{R}$ is a non-Archimedean norm (valuation) if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) ||x|| = 0 if and only if x = 0;
- (ii) $||rx|| = |r|||x|| \ (r \in \mathbb{K}, x \in X);$
- (iii) The strong triangle inequality (ultrametric); namely $||x + y|| \le max\{||x||, ||y||\}, x, y \in X$.

Then $(X, ||\cdot||)$ is called a non-Archimedean space.

Definition 1.6. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy if and only if $\{x_{n+1} - x_n\}$ converges to zero in a non-Archimedean space. By a complete non-Archimedean space we mean one in which every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

The most important examples of non-Archimedean spaces are p-adic numbers. A key property of p-adic numbers is that they do not satisfy the Archimedean axiom: "for x, y > 0, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that x < ny".

Example 1.7. Fix a prime number p. For any nonzero rational number x, there exists a unique integer $n_x \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $x = \frac{a}{b}p^{n_x}$, where a and b are integers not divisible by p. Then $|x|_p := p^{-n_x}$ defines a non-Archimedean norm on \mathbb{Q} . The completion of \mathbb{Q} with respect to the metric

 $d(x,y) = |x-y|_p$ is denoted by \mathbb{Q}_p which is called the p-adic number field. In fact, \mathbb{Q}_p is the set of all formal series $x = \sum_{k \geq n_x}^{\infty} a_k p^k$ where $|a_k| \leq p-1$ are integers. The addition and multiplication between any two elements of \mathbb{Q}_p are defined naturally. The norm $|\sum_{k \geq n_x}^{\infty} a_k p^k|_p = p^{-n_x}$ is a non-Archimedean norm on \mathbb{Q}_p and it makes \mathbb{Q}_p a locally compact filed.

Arriola and Beyer [1] investigated the Hyers-Ulam stability of approximate additive functions $f: \mathbb{Q}_p \to \mathbb{R}$. They showed that if $f: \mathbb{Q}_p \to \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous function for which there exists a fixed ϵ :

$$|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)| \le \epsilon$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}_p$, then there exists a unique additive function $T : \mathbb{Q}_p \to \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$|f(x) - T(x)| \le \epsilon$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{Q}_p$.

However, the following example shows that similar result is not true in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

Example 1.8. Let p > 2 and let $f : \mathbb{Q}_p \to \mathbb{Q}_p$ be defined by f(x) = 2. Then for $\epsilon = 1$,

$$|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)| = 1 \le \epsilon$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}_p$. However, the sequences $\left\{\frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\left\{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are not Cauchy. In fact, by using the fact that |2| = 1, we have

$$\left| \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n} - \frac{f(2^{n+1} x)}{2^{n+1}} \right| = |2^{-n} \cdot 2 - 2^{-(n+1)} \cdot 2| = |2^{-n}| = 1$$

and

$$\left| 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - 2^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) \right| = |2^n \cdot 2 - 2^{(n+1)} \cdot 2| = |2^{n+1}| = 1$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}_p$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence these sequences are not convergent in \mathbb{Q}_p .

Definition 1.9. Let X be a set. A function $d: X \times X \to [0, \infty]$ is called a generalized metric on X if d satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) d(x,y) = 0 if and only if x = y for all $x, y \in X$;
- (b) d(x,y) = d(y,x) for all $x,y \in X$;
- (c) $d(x,z) \leq d(x,y) + d(y,z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Theorem 1.10. Let (X,d) be a complete generalized metric space and let $J: X \to X$ be a strictly contractive mapping with Lipschitz constant L < 1. Then, for all $x \in X$, either

$$(1.1) d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) = \infty$$

for all nonnegative integers n, or there exists a positive integer n_0 such that

- (a) $d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) < \infty$ for all $n_0 \ge n_0$;
- (b) the sequence $\{J^nx\}$ converges to a fixed point y^* of J;
- (c) y^* is the unique fixed point of J in the set $Y = \{y \in X : d(J^{n_0}x, y) < \infty\}$;
- (d) $d(y, y^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-L}d(y, Jy)$ for all $y \in Y$.

A classical question in the theory of functional equations is the following: "When is it true that a function which approximately satisfies a functional equation must be close to an exact solution of the equation?". If the problem admits a solution, we say that the equation is stable. The first stability problem concerning group homomorphisms was raised by Ulam [31] in 1940. In the following year, Hyers [10] gave a positive answer to the above question for additive groups under the assumption that the groups are Banach spaces. In 1978, Rassias [19] proved a generalization of Hyers' theorem for additive mappings. The result of Rassias has provided a significant influence during the last three decades in the development of a generalization of the Hyers-Ulam stability concept. This new concept is known as generalized Hyers-Ulam stability or Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of functional equations. Furthermore, in 1994, a generalization of Rassias's theorem was obtained by Găvruta [8] by replacing the bound $\epsilon(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$ by a general control function $\varphi(x,y)$. In 1897, Hensel [9] introduced a normed space which does not have the Archimedean property. It turned out that non-Archimedean spaces have many nice applications [11, 12].

The stability problems of several functional equations have been extensively investigated by a number of authors and there are many interesting results concerning this problem ([2]-[8], [14]-[29]).

In Sections 2 and 3, we adopt the usual terminology, notions and conventions of the theory of random normed spaces as in [30].

In this paper, we prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the functional equation

$$(1.2) f(f(x) - f(y)) + f(x) + f(y) = f(x+y) + f(x-y)$$

in random and non-Archimedean normed spaces.

2. Random stability of the functional equation (1.2): a direct method

In this section, using a direct method, we prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the functional equation (1.2) in random normed spaces.

Theorem 2.1. Let X be a real linear space, (Z, μ', \min) an RN-space and $\varphi: X^2 \to Z$ a function such that there exists $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ with

(2.1)
$$\mu'_{\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2},\frac{y}{2}\right)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\alpha\varphi(x,y)}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0 and

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\mu'_{\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^n},\frac{y}{2^n}\right)}\left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right)=1$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Let (Y, μ, \min) be a complete RN-space. If $f: X \to Y$ is a mapping such that

(2.2)
$$\mu_{f(f(x)-f(y))-f(x+y)-f(x-y)+f(x)+f(y)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,y)}(t)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Then the limit

$$A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$

exists for all $x \in X$ and defines a unique additive mapping $A: X \to Y$ such that and

(2.3)
$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{\alpha}\right).$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Putting y = x in (2.2), we see that

(2.4)
$$\mu_{f(2x)-2f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}(t).$$

Replacing x by $\frac{x}{2}$ in (2.4), we obtain

(2.5)
$$\mu_{2f(\frac{x}{2})-f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(\frac{x}{2},\frac{x}{2})}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$. Replacing x by $\frac{x}{2^n}$ in (2.5) and using (2.1), we obtain

$$\mu_{2^{n+1}f(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}})-2^nf(\frac{x}{2^n})}(t) \geq \mu'_{\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}},\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right)}\left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right) \geq \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{2^n\alpha^{n+1}}\right)$$

and so

$$\mu_{2^{n} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n}}\right) - f(x)} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 2^{k} \alpha^{k+1} t \right) = \mu_{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 2^{k+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) - 2^{k} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{k}}\right)} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 2^{k} \alpha^{k+1} t \right)$$

$$\geq T_{M_{k=0}^{n-1}} \left(\mu_{2^{k+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) - 2^{k} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{k}}\right)} (2^{k} \alpha^{k+1} t) \right)$$

$$\geq T_{M_{k=0}^{n-1}} \left(\mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}(t) \right) = \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}(t).$$

This implies that

(2.6)
$$\mu_{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)} \left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 2^k \alpha^{k+1}}\right).$$

Replacing x by $\frac{x}{2^p}$ in (2.6), we obtain

$$\mu_{2^{n+p}f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+p}}\right)-2^{p}f\left(\frac{x}{2^{p}}\right)}(t) \geq \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=p}^{n+p-1}2^{k}\alpha^{k+1}}\right)$$

$$(2.7) \qquad \to 1 \text{ when } n \to +\infty,$$

so $\left\{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in a complete RN-space (Y,μ,\min) and so there exists a point $A(x)\in Y$ such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) = A(x).$$

Fix $x \in X$ and put p = 0 in (2.7). Then we obtain

$$\mu_{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)} \left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 2^k \alpha^{k+1}}\right)$$

and so, for any $\delta > 0$,

$$(2.8) \qquad \qquad \mu_{A(x)-f(x)}(t+\delta) \geq T\left(\mu_{A(x)-2^{n}f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n}}\right)}(\delta), \mu_{2^{n}f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n}}\right)-f(x)}(t)\right) \\ \geq T\left(\mu_{A(x)-2^{n}f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n}}\right)}(\delta), \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1}2^{k}\alpha^{k+1}}\right)\right).$$

Taking $n \to \infty$ in (2.8), we get

(2.9)
$$\mu_{A(x)-f(x)}(t+\delta) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{\alpha}\right).$$

Since δ is arbitrary, by taking $\delta \to 0$ in (2.9), we get

$$\mu_{A(x)-f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{\alpha}\right).$$

Replacing x and y by $\frac{x}{2^n}$ and $\frac{y}{2^n}$ in (2.2), respectively, we get

$$\mu_{2^n\left[f\left(f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)-f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right)\right)-f\left(\frac{x+y}{2^n}\right)-f\left(\frac{x-y}{2^n}\right)+f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)+f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right)\right]}(t)\geq \mu'_{\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^n},\frac{y}{2^n}\right)}\left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Since $\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu'_{\varphi(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n})} \left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right) = 1$, we conclude that A satisfies (1.2). On the other hand,

$$2A\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) - \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) = 0.$$

This implies that $A: X \to Y$ is an additive mapping. To prove the uniqueness of the additive mapping A, assume that there exists another additive mapping $L: X \to Y$ which satisfies (2.3). Then we have

$$\begin{split} \mu_{A(x)-L(x)}(t) &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{2^n A\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - 2^n L\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)}(t) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \min \left\{ \mu_{2^n A\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right), \mu_{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - 2^n L\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \right\} \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{x}{2^n}\right)}'\left(\frac{(1 - 2\alpha)t}{2^{n+1}\alpha}\right) \geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{\varphi(x, x)}'\left(\frac{(1 - 2\alpha)t}{2^{n+1}\alpha^{n+1}}\right). \end{split}$$

Since $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{2^{n+1}\alpha^{n+1}} = \infty$, we get $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)} \left(\frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{2^{n+1}\alpha^{n+1}}\right) = 1$. Therefore, it follows that $\mu_{A(x)-L(x)}(t) = 1$ for all t>0 and so A(x) = L(x). This completes the proof.

Corollary 2.2. Let X be a real normed linear space, (Z, μ', \min) an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let r be a positive real number with r > 1, $z_0 \in Z$ and $f: X \to Y$ a mapping satisfying

$$(2.10) \mu_{f(f(x)-f(y))-f(x+y)-f(x-y)+f(x)+f(y)}(t) \ge \mu'_{(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)z_0}(t)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Then the limit $A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$ exists for all $x \in X$ and defines a unique additive mapping $A: X \to Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\|x\|^p z_0} \left(\frac{(2^r - 2)t}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Let $\alpha = 2^{-r}$ and let $\varphi : X^2 \to Z$ be a mapping defined by $\varphi(x,y) = (\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)z_0$. Then, from Theorem 2.1, the conclusion follows.

Theorem 2.3. Let X be a real linear space, (Z, μ', \min) an RN-space and $\varphi: X^2 \to Z$ a function such that there exists $0 < \alpha < 2$ such that $\mu'_{\varphi(2x,2y)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\alpha\varphi(x,y)}(t)$ for all $x \in X$ and t > 0 and $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mu'_{\varphi(2^nx,2^ny)}(2^nt) = 1$ for all $x,y \in X$ and t > 0. Let (Y,μ,\min) be a complete RN-space. If $f: X \to Y$ is a mapping satisfying (2.2). Then the limit $A(x) = \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{f(2^nx)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x \in X$ and defines a unique additive mapping $A: X \to Y$ such that and

(2.11)
$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}((2-\alpha)t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Putting y = x in (2.2), we see that

(2.12)
$$\mu_{\frac{f(2x)}{2} - f(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(x,x)}(2t).$$

Replacing x by $2^n x$ in (2.12), we obtain that

$$(2.13) \qquad \mu_{\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^nx)}{2^n}}(t) \ge \mu'_{\varphi(2^nx,2^nx)}(2^{n+1}t) \ge \mu_{\varphi(x,x)}\left(\frac{2^{n+1}t}{\alpha^n}\right).$$

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1. \Box

Corollary 2.4. Let X be a real normed linear space, (Z, μ', \min) an RN-space and (Y, μ, \min) a complete RN-space. Let r be a positive real number with 0 < r < 1, $z_0 \in Z$ and $f: X \to Y$ a mapping satisfying (2.10). Then the limit $A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x \in X$ and defines a unique additive mapping $A: X \to Y$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \mu'_{\|x\|^p z_0} \left(\frac{(2-2^r)t}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Let $\alpha = 2^r$ and let $\varphi : X^2 \to Z$ be a mapping defined by $\varphi(x, y) = (\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)z_0$. Then, from Theorem 2.3, the conclusion follows. \square

3. Random stability of the functional equation (1.2): a fixed point method

Throughout this section, using a fixed point method, we prove Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of functional equation (1.2) in RN-spaces.

Theorem 3.1. Let X be a linear space, (Y, μ, T_M) a complete RN-space and Φ a mapping from X^2 to D^+ such that there exists $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ such that

$$\Phi_{2x,2y}(t) \le \Phi_{x,y}(\alpha t)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0 $(\Phi(x, y)$ is denoted by $\Phi_{x,y})$. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying

(3.2)
$$\mu_{f(f(x)-f(y))-f(x+y)-f(x-y)+f(x)+f(y)}(t) \ge \Phi_{x,y}(t)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Then, for all $x \in X$

$$A(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$

exists and $A: X \to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

(3.3)
$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \Phi_{x,x}\left(\frac{(1-2\alpha)t}{\alpha}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Putting y = x in (3.2) and replacing x by $\frac{x}{2}$, we have

(3.4)
$$\mu_{2f(\frac{x}{2})-f(x)}(t) \ge \Phi_{\frac{x}{2},\frac{x}{2}}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0. Consider the set $S := \{g : X \to Y\}$ and the generalized metric d in S defined by

(3.5)
$$d(f,g) = \inf_{u \in (0,\infty)} \left\{ \mu_{g(x)-h(x)}(ut) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t), \, \forall x \in X, \, t > 0 \right\},$$

where inf $\emptyset = +\infty$. It is easy to show that (S,d) is complete (see [14], Lemma 2.1). Now, we consider a linear mapping $J:(S,d)\to(S,d)$ such that

$$(3.6) Jh(x) := 2h\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$.

First, we prove that J is a strictly contractive mapping with the Lipschitz constant 2α . In fact, let $g,h\in S$ be such that $d(g,h)<\epsilon$. Then we have

$$\mu_{g(x)-h(x)}(\epsilon t) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0 and so

$$\mu_{Jg(x)-Jh(x)}(2\alpha\epsilon t) = \mu_{2g(\frac{x}{2})-2h(\frac{x}{2})}(2\alpha\epsilon t) = \mu_{g(\frac{x}{2})-h(\frac{x}{2})}(\alpha\epsilon t)$$

$$\geq \Phi_{\frac{x}{2},\frac{x}{2}}(\alpha t)$$

$$\geq \Phi_{x,x}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0. Thus $d(g,h) < \epsilon$ implies that $d(Jg,Jh) < 2\alpha\epsilon$. This means that $d(Jg, Jh) \leq 2\alpha d(g, h)$ for all $g, h \in S$. It follows from (3.4) that

$$d(f, Jf) \le \alpha$$
.

By Theorem 1.10, there exists a mapping $A: X \to Y$ satisfying the following:

(1) A is a fixed point of J, that is,

$$A\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}A(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. The mapping A is a unique fixed point of J in the set $\Omega = \{h \in S : d(g,h) < \infty\}$. This implies that A is a unique mapping satisfying (3.7) such that there exists $u \in (0, \infty)$ satisfying $\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(ut) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t)$ for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

(2) $d(J^n f, A) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. This implies the equality

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) = A(x)$$

for all $x\in X$. (3) $d(f,A)\leq \frac{d(f,Jf)}{1-2\alpha}$ with $f\in\Omega,$ which implies the inequality

$$d(f, A) \le \frac{\alpha}{1 - 2\alpha}$$

and so

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}\left(\frac{\alpha t}{1-2\alpha}\right) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0. This implies that the inequality (3.3) holds. On the other hand, replacing x, y by $\frac{x}{2^n}$ and $\frac{y}{2^n}$, respectively, in (3.2), we have

$$\mu_{2^n\left[f\left(f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right)\right) - f\left(\frac{x+y}{2^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{x-y}{2^n}\right) + f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) + f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right)\right](t)} \geq \Phi_{\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}}\left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right)$$

for all $x, y \in X$, t > 0 and $n \ge 1$ and so, from (3.1), it follows that

$$\Phi_{\frac{x}{2^n},\frac{y}{2^n}}\left(\frac{t}{2^n}\right) \ge \Phi_{x,y}\left(\frac{t}{2^n\alpha^n}\right) \to 1 \quad \text{as} \quad n \to +\infty$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Therefore

$$\mu_{A(A(x)-A(y))-A(x+y)-A(x-y)+A(x)+A(y)}(t) = 1$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Thus the mapping $A : X \to Y$ satisfies (1.2). Furthermore, since for all $x, y \in X$, we have

$$A(2x) - 2A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n-1}}\right) - 2\lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$
$$= 2\left[\lim_{n \to \infty} 2^{n-1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n-1}}\right) - \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right]$$
$$= 0.$$

we conclude that $A: X \to Y$ is additive. This completes the proof. \square

Corollary 3.2. Let X be a real normed space, $\theta \ge 0$ and let r be a real number with r > 1. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying

(3.8)
$$\mu_{f(f(x)-f(y))-f(x+y)-f(x-y)+f(x)+f(y)}(t) \ge \frac{t}{t+\theta(\|x\|^r+\|y\|^r)}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Then $A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$ exists for all $x \in X$ and $A: X \to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \frac{(2^r - 2)t}{(2^r - 2)t + 2\theta ||x||^r}$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. The proof follows from Theorem 3.1 if we take

$$\Phi_{x,y}(t) = \frac{t}{t + \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. In fact, if we choose $\alpha = 2^{-r}$, then we get the desired result.

Theorem 3.3. Let X be a linear space, (Y, μ, T_M) a complete RN-space and Φ a mapping from X^2 to D^+ such that for some $0 < \alpha < 2$, $\Phi_{\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}}(t) \leq \Phi_{x,y}(\alpha t)$ for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying (3.2). Then the limit $A(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x \in X$ and $A: X \to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

(3.9)
$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \Phi_{x,x}((2-\alpha)t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. Putting y = x in (3.2), we have

(3.10)
$$\mu_{\frac{f(2x)}{2} - f(x)}(t) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(2t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0. Let (S, d) be the generalized metric space defined in the proof of Theorem 2.1. Now, we consider a linear mapping $J:(S,d)\to (S,d)$ such that $Jh(x):=\frac{1}{2}h(2x)$ for all $x\in X$. It follows from (3.10) that

$$d(f, Jf) \le \frac{1}{2}.$$

By Theorem 1.10, there exists a mapping $A: X \to Y$ satisfying the following:

(1) A is a fixed point of J, that is,

$$(3.11) A(2x) = 2A(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. The mapping A is a unique fixed point of J in the set $\Omega = \{h \in S : d(g,h) < \infty\}$. This implies that A is a unique mapping satisfying (3.11) such that there exists $u \in (0, \infty)$ satisfying $\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(ut) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t)$ for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

(2) $d(J^n f, A) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. This implies the equality

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n} = A(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. (3) $d(f, A) \leq \frac{d(f, Jf)}{1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}}$ with $f \in \Omega$, which implies the inequality

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}\left(\frac{t}{2-\alpha}\right) \ge \Phi_{x,x}(t)$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0. This implies that the inequality (3.9) holds. The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.4. Let X be a real normed space, $\theta \geq 0$ and let r be a real number with 0 < r < 1. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying (3.8). Then the limit $A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x \in X$ and $A: X \to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \ge \frac{(2-2^r)t}{(2-2^r)t + 2\theta ||x||^r}$$

for all $x \in X$ and t > 0.

Proof. The proof follows from Theorem 3.3 if we take

$$\Phi_{x,y}(t) = \frac{t}{t + \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. In fact, if we choose $\alpha = 2^r$, then we get the desired result.

4. Non-Archimedean stability of functional equation (1.2): a fixed point method

In this section, using a fixed point approach, we prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of functional equation (1.2) in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

Throughout this section, X is a non-Archimedean normed spaces and that Y is a complete non-Archimedean normed spaces. Also we assume that $|2| \neq 1$.

Theorem 4.1. Let $\zeta: X^2 \to [0, \infty)$ be a function such that there exists L < 1 with

$$(4.1) |2|\zeta\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}\right) \le L\zeta(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. If $f: X \to Y$ is a mapping satisfying

$$(4.2) \left\| f(f(x) - f(y)) - f(x+y) - f(x-y) + f(x) + f(y) \right\| \le \zeta(x,y)$$

for all $x,y \in X$, then there is a unique additive mapping $A:X \to Y$ such that

(4.3)
$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{L\zeta(x,x)}{|2| - |2|L}.$$

Proof. Putting y = x in (4.2), we have

for all $x \in X$. Replacing x by $\frac{x}{2}$ in (4.4), we obtain

(4.5)
$$\left\| 2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - f(x) \right\| \le \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$. Consider the set $S^* := \{g : X \to Y\}$ and the generalized metric d^* in S^* defined by

(4.6)
$$d^*(f,g) = \inf \left\{ \mu \in \mathbb{R}^+ : ||g(x) - h(x)|| \le \mu \zeta(x,x), \, \forall x \in X \right\},$$

where inf $\emptyset = +\infty$. It is easy to show that (S^*, d^*) is complete (see [14], Lemma 2.1). Now, we consider a linear mapping $J^*: S^* \to S^*$ such that

$$(4.7) J^*h(x) := 2h\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in X$. Let $g, h \in S^*$ be such that $d^*(g, h) = \epsilon$. Then we have $||g(x) - h(x)|| \le \epsilon \zeta(x, x)$ for all $x \in X$ and so

$$||J^*g(x) - J^*h(x)|| = ||2g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 2h\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)|| \le |2|\epsilon\zeta\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right)|$$
$$\le |2|\epsilon\frac{L}{|2|}\zeta(x, x)$$

for all $x \in X$. Thus $d^*(g,h) = \epsilon$ implies that $d^*(J^*g,J^*h) \leq L\epsilon$. This means that $d^*(J^*g, J^*h) \leq Ld^*(g, h)$ for all $g, h \in S^*$. It follows from (4.5) that

(4.8)
$$d^*(f, J^*f) \le \frac{L}{|2|}.$$

By Theorem 1.10, there exists a mapping $A: X \to Y$ satisfying the following:

(1) A is a fixed point of J^* , that is,

$$A\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}A(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. The mapping A is a unique fixed point of J^* in the set $\Omega = \{h \in S^* : d^*(g,h) < \infty\}$. This implies that A is a unique mapping satisfying (4.9) such that there exists $\mu \in (0, \infty)$ satisfying $||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \mu \zeta(x, x)$ for all $x \in X$.

(2) $d^*(J^{*n}f,A) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. This implies the equality

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) = A(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. (3) $d^*(f, A) \le \frac{d^*(f, J^*f)}{1-L}$ with $f \in \Omega$, which implies the inequality

(4.10)
$$d^*(f, A) \le \frac{L}{|2| - |2|L}.$$

This implies that the inequality (4.3) holds. By (4.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 2^n \left[f\left(f\left(\frac{x}{2^n} \right) - f\left(\frac{y}{2^n} \right) \right) - f\left(\frac{x+y}{2^n} \right) - f\left(\frac{x-y}{2^n} \right) + f\left(\frac{x}{2^n} \right) + f\left(\frac{y}{2^n} \right) \right] \right\| \\ & \leq |2|^n \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n} \right) \leq |2|^n \cdot \frac{L^n}{|2|^n} \zeta(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $n \ge 1$ and so ||f(f(x) - f(y)) - f(x + y) - f(x - y) + f(x) + f(y)|| = 0 for all $x, y \in X$. On the other hand

$$2A\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) - \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) = 0.$$

Therefore, the mapping $A:X\to Y$ is additive. This completes the proof. \Box

Corollary 4.2. Let $\theta \geq 0$ and let p be a real number with 0 . $Let <math>f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying (4.11)

$$\|f(f(x) - f(y)) - f(x+y) - f(x-y) + f(x) + f(y)\| \le \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then the limit $A(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$ exists for all $x \in X$ and $A: X \to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{2|2|\theta||x||^p}{|2|^{p+1} - |2|^2}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. The proof follows from Theorem 4.1 if we take $\zeta(x,y) = \theta(||x||^p + ||y||^p)$ for all $x,y \in X$. In fact, if we choose $L = |2|^{1-p}$, then we get the desired result.

Similarly, we have the following results for which we sketch the proofs.

Theorem 4.3. Let $\zeta: X^2 \to [0, \infty)$ be a function such that there exists an L < 1 with $\zeta(2x, 2y) \le |2|L\zeta(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying (4.2). Then there is a unique additive mapping $A: X \to Y$ such that

$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{\zeta(x,x)}{|2| - |2|L}.$$

Proof. It follows from (4.4) that

$$\left\| f(x) - \frac{f(2x)}{2} \right\| \le \frac{\zeta(x, x)}{|2|}$$

for all $x \in X$. The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 4.1.

Corollary 4.4. Let $\theta \geq 0$ and let p be a real number with p > 1. Let $f: X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying (4.11). Then the limit A(x) = 0

 $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x\in X$ and $A:X\to Y$ is a unique additive mapping such that

$$||f(x) - A(x)|| \le \frac{2\theta ||x||^p}{|2| - |2|^p}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Proof. The proof follows from Theorem 4.3 if we take $\zeta(x,y) = \theta(||x||^p + ||y||^p)$ for all $x,y \in X$. In fact, if we choose $L = |2|^{p-1}$, then we get the desired result.

5. Non-Archimedean stability of functional equation (1.2): a direct method

In this section, using a direct method, we prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the functional equation (1.2) in non-Archimedean space. Throughout this section, G is an additive semigroup and X is a non-Archimedean Banach space.

Theorem 5.1. Let $\zeta: G \times G \to [0, +\infty)$ be a function such that

(5.1)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |2|^n \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right) = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Suppose that, for any $x \in G$, the limit

(5.2)
$$\Psi(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) : \ 0 \le k < n \right\}$$

exists and $f: G \rightarrow X$ is a mapping satisfying

$$(5.3) \left\| f(f(x) - f(y)) - f(x+y) - f(x-y) + f(x) + f(y) \right\| \le \zeta(x,y).$$

Then, for all $x \in G$, $T(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$ exists and satisfies the inequality

(5.4)
$$||f(x) - T(x)|| \le \frac{1}{|2|} \Psi(x).$$

Moreover, if

(5.5)
$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta \left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}} \right) : \ j \le k < n+j \right\} = 0,$$

then T is the unique additive mapping satisfying (5.4).

Proof. By (4.5), we get

(5.6)
$$\left\| 2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - f(x) \right\| \le \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right)$$

for all $x \in G$. Replacing x by $\frac{x}{2^n}$ in (5.6), we obtain

(5.7)
$$\left\| 2^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) - 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \le |2|^n \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right).$$

Thus, it follows from (5.1) and (5.7) that the sequence $\left\{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right\}_{n\geq 1}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since X is complete, it follows that $\left\{2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right\}_{n\geq 1}$ is convergent. Set $T(x):=\lim_{n\to\infty}2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$. By induction, one can show that

$$(5.8) \quad \left\| 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x) \right\| \le \frac{\max\left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) : \ 0 \le k < n \right\}}{|2|}$$

for all $n \ge 1$ and $x \in G$. By taking $n \to \infty$ in (5.8) and using (5.2), one obtains (5.4). By (5.1) and (5.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| T(T(x) - T(y)) - T(x+y) - T(x-y) + T(x) + T(y) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \|2^n \left[f\left(f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right)\right) - f\left(\frac{x+y}{2^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{x-y}{2^n}\right) \right. \\ & \left. + f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) + f\left(\frac{y}{2^n}\right) \right] \\ &\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} |2|^n \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Therefore, the mapping $T: G \to X$ satisfies (1.2). To prove the uniqueness property of T, let S be another mapping satisfying (5.4). Then we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| T(x) - S(x) \right\| &= \lim_{j \to \infty} |2|^j \left\| T\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) - S\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{j \to \infty} |2|^j \max\left\{ \left\| T\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) - f\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) \right\|, \left\| f\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) - S\left(\frac{x}{2^j}\right) \right\| \right\} \\ &\leq \lim_{j \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{|2|} \max\left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) : \ j \le k < n+j \right\} \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

for all $x \in G$. Therefore, T = S. This completes the proof.

Corollary 5.2. Let $\xi:[0,\infty)\to[0,\infty)$ be a function satisfying

$$\xi\left(\frac{t}{|2|}\right) \leq \xi\left(\frac{1}{|2|}\right)\xi(t), \quad \xi\left(\frac{1}{|2|}\right) < \frac{1}{|2|}$$

for all $t \ge 0$. Let $\kappa > 0$ and $f: G \to X$ be a mapping such that (5.9)

$$||f(f(x) - f(y)) - f(x + y) - f(x - y) + f(x) + f(y)|| \le \kappa(\xi(|x|) + \xi(|y|))$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $T: G \to X$ such that

$$||f(x) - T(x)|| \le 2\kappa \frac{\xi(|x|)}{|2|}.$$

Proof. If we define $\zeta: G \times G \to [0,\infty)$ by $\zeta(x,y) := \kappa(\xi(|x|) + \xi(|y|))$, then we have

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}|2|^n\zeta\Big(\frac{x}{2^n},\frac{y}{2^n}\Big)\leq\lim_{n\to\infty}\left(|2|\xi\left(\frac{1}{|2|}\right)\right)^n\left[\kappa(\xi(|x|)+\xi(|y|))\right]=0$$

for all $x, y \in G$. On the other hand, for all $x \in G$,

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x) &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}}\right) : \ 0 \le k < n \right\} \\ &= |2| \zeta\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right) = 2\kappa \xi(|x|) \end{split}$$

exists. Also, we have

$$\begin{split} & \lim_{j \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ |2|^{k+1} \zeta \left(\frac{x}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{k+1}} \right); \ j \le k < n+j \right\} \\ & = \lim_{j \to \infty} |2|^{j+1} \zeta \left(\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}} \right) = 0. \end{split}$$

Thus, applying Theorem 5.1, we have the conclusion. This completes the proof. \Box

Theorem 5.3. Let $\zeta: G \times G \to [0, +\infty)$ be a function such that

(5.10)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\zeta(2^n x, 2^n y)}{|2|^n} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Suppose that, for every $x \in G$, the limit

(5.11)
$$\Psi(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\zeta(2^k x, 2^k x)}{|2|^k} : \ 0 \le k < n \right\}$$

exists and let $f: G \to X$ be a mapping satisfying (5.3), then, the limit $T(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$ exists for all $x \in G$ and satisfies the inequality

(5.12)
$$||f(x) - T(x)|| \le \frac{1}{|2|} \Psi(x).$$

Moreover, if

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\zeta(2^k x, 2^k x)}{|2|^k}; \ j \le k < n+j \right\} = 0,$$

then T is the unique mapping satisfying (5.12).

Proof. By (4.4), we have

(5.14)
$$||f(x) - \frac{f(2x)}{2}|| \le \frac{\zeta(x,x)}{|2|}$$

for all $x \in G$. Replacing x by $2^n x$ in (5.14), we obtain

(5.15)
$$\left\| \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n} - \frac{f(2^{n+1} x)}{2^{n+1}} \right\| \le \frac{\zeta(2^n x, 2^n x)}{|2|^{n+1}}.$$

Thus it follows from (5.10) and (5.15) that the sequence $\left\{\frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}\right\}_{n\geq 1}$ is convergent. Set $T(x):=\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$. On the other hand, it follows from (5.15) that

$$\left\| \frac{f(2^{p}x)}{2^{p}} - \frac{f(2^{q}x)}{2^{q}} \right\| = \left\| \sum_{k=p}^{q-1} \frac{f(2^{k}x)}{2^{k}} - \frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{2^{k+1}} \right\|$$

$$\leq \max \left\{ \left\| \frac{f(2^{k}x)}{2^{k}} - \frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{2^{k+1}} \right\| : p \leq k < q \right\}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{|2|} \max \left\{ \frac{\zeta(2^{k}x, 2^{k}x)}{|2|^{k}} : p \leq k < q \right\}$$

for all $x \in G$ and all integers $p, q \ge 0$ with $q > p \ge 0$. Letting p = 0, taking $q \to \infty$ in the last inequality and using (5.11), we obtain (5.12).

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 5.1. This completes the proof. $\hfill\Box$

Corollary 5.4. Let
$$\xi: [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)$$
 be a function satisfying $\xi(|2|t) < \xi(|2|)\xi(t)$, $\xi(|2|) < |2|$

for all $t \geq 0$. Let $\kappa > 0$ and let $f: G \to X$ be a mapping satisfying (5.9). Then there exists a unique additive mapping $T: G \to X$ such that

$$||f(x) - T(x)|| \le \frac{2\kappa\xi(|x|)}{|2|}.$$

Proof. If we define $\zeta: G \times G \to [0, \infty)$ by $\zeta(x, y) := \kappa(\xi(|x|) + \xi(|y|))$ and apply Theorem 5.3, then we get the conclusion.

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