

## STABILITY OF THE $n$ -DIMENSIONAL MIXED-TYPE ADDITIVE AND QUADRATIC FUNCTIONAL EQUATION IN NON-ARCHIMEDEAN NORMED SPACES, II

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we prove the stability of the functional equation

$$\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f(x_i + x_j) + f(x_i - x_j)) = (n-1) \sum_{i=1}^n (3f(x_i) + f(-x_i))$$

in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

### 1. Introduction

A classical question in the theory of functional equations is “when is it true that a function, which approximately satisfies a functional equation, must be somehow close to an exact solution of the equation?” Such a problem, called a *stability problem* of the functional equation, was formulated by S. M. Ulam in 1940 (see [21]). In the following year, D. H. Hyers [6] gave a partial solution of Ulam’s problem for the case of approximate additive functions. Subsequently, his result was generalized by T. Aoki [1] for additive functions, and by Th. M. Rassias [19] for linear functions. Indeed, they considered the stability problem for unbounded Cauchy differences. During the last decades, the stability problems of functional equations have been extensively investigated by a number of mathematicians (see [2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20]).

A non-Archimedean field is a field  $\mathbb{K}$  equipped with a function (valuation)  $|\cdot| : \mathbb{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$(F_1) \quad |r| = 0 \text{ if and only if } r = 0;$$

$$(F_2) \quad |rs| = |r||s|;$$

$$(F_3) \quad |r + s| \leq \max\{|r|, |s|\} \text{ for all } r, s \in \mathbb{K}.$$

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

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

- (N<sub>1</sub>)  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ;
- (N<sub>2</sub>)  $\|rx\| = |r|\|x\|$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $x \in X$ ;
- (N<sub>3</sub>)  $\|x+y\| \leq \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a non-Archimedean space. Due to the fact that

$$\|x_n - x_m\| \leq \max_{m \leq i < n} \|x_{i+1} - x_i\| \quad (n > m),$$

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

Recently, M. S. Moslehian and Th. M. Rassias [18] proved the Hyers-Ulam stability of the Cauchy functional equation

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) \quad (1)$$

and the quadratic functional equation

$$f(x+y) + f(x-y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y) \quad (2)$$

in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

We now consider the  $n$ -dimensional mixed-type additive and quadratic functional equation

$$\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f(x_i + x_j) + f(x_i - x_j)) = (n-1) \sum_{i=1}^n (3f(x_i) + f(-x_i)), \quad (3)$$

whose solutions are called *additive-quadratic functions* and where  $n$  is an integer larger than 1.

In this paper, using an idea from [16], we investigate a general stability problem for the  $n$ -dimensional mixed-type additive and quadratic functional equation (3) in non-Archimedean normed spaces.

## 2. Solutions of Eq. (3)

Throughout this section, let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively.

For a given function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , we use the abbreviations

$$f_e(x) := \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_o(x) &:= \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}, \\
 Af(x, y) &:= f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y), \\
 Qf(x, y) &:= f(x + y) + f(x - y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y), \\
 Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &:= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f(x_i + x_j) + f(x_i - x_j)) \\
 &\quad - (n - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n (3f(x_i) + f(-x_i))
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Assume that  $n \geq 2$  is an integer. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a solution of Eq. (3) if and only if  $f_e$  is quadratic and  $f_o$  is additive.*

*Proof.* If a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a solution of Eq. (3), then we have  $f_e(0) = 0$  and  $Df_e(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = Df_o(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$  for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . In this case, a routine calculation yields

$$Qf_e(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}Df_e(x, y, 0, \dots, 0) + (n - 2)(n + 1)f_e(0) = 0$$

and

$$Af_o(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}Df_o(x, y, 0, \dots, 0) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , i.e.,  $f_e$  is quadratic and  $f_o$  is additive.

Conversely, assume that  $f_e$  is quadratic and  $f_o$  is additive. Then it is not difficult to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &Df_e(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f_e(x_i + x_j) + f_e(x_i - x_j)) - 4(n - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n f_e(x_i) \\
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f_e(x_i + x_j) + f_e(x_i - x_j)) - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_e(x_i) - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_e(x_j) \\
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} Qf_e(x_i, x_j) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 Df_o(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f_o(x_i + x_j) + f_o(x_i - x_j)) - 2(n - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n f_o(x_i) \\
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (f_o(x_i + x_j) + f_o(x_i - x_j)) - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_o(x_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} (Af_o(x_i, x_j) + Af_o(x_j - x_i, x_i)) \\
 &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_e(x_i) = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_e(x_j) = (n - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n f_e(x_i)$$

and

$$\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j} f_o(x_i) = (n - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n f_o(x_i).$$

Hence, we get

$$Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = Df_e(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) + Df_o(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ , i.e.,  $f$  is a solution of Eq. (3).  $\square$

### 3. Generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of Eq. (3)

In this section, we will investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability problems of the  $n$ -dimensional mixed-type additive and quadratic functional equation (3), where  $n$  is an integer larger than 1.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively. Assume that  $\varphi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a function such that*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n)}{|4|^m} = 0 \tag{4}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  and the limit

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_{0 \leq i < m} \left\{ \frac{\varphi(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}}, \frac{\varphi(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}} \right\} \tag{5}$$

exists for each  $x \in X$ . If a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \leq \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \tag{6}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  and  $|2| < 1$ , then there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{\tilde{\varphi}(x)}{|n(n - 1)|} \tag{7}$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* If we replace  $x_i$  in (4) with 0 for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then we get

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(0, 0, \dots, 0)}{|4|^m} = 0.$$

Thus, since  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |4|^m = 0$ , we conclude that  $\varphi(0, 0, \dots, 0) = 0$ . Moreover, it follows from (6) that

$$\|2n(1 - n)f(0)\| = \|Df(0, 0, \dots, 0)\| \leq \varphi(0, 0, \dots, 0) = 0,$$

i.e., it holds that  $f(0) = 0$ .

Let  $J_m f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function defined by

$$J_m f(x) = \frac{f(2^m x) + f(-2^m x)}{2 \cdot 4^m} + \frac{f(2^m x) - f(-2^m x)}{2^{m+1}} \tag{8}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ . A long calculation, together with  $(N_3)$  and (6), yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \|J_i f(x) - J_{i+1} f(x)\| \\ &= \left\| -\frac{Df(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{2^{2i+3}n(n-1)} - \frac{Df(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{2^{2i+3}n(n-1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{Df(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{2^{i+2}n(n-1)} + \frac{Df(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{2^{i+2}n(n-1)} \right\| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{\|Df(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)\|}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|}, \frac{\|Df(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)\|}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{\|Df(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)\|}{|2|^{i+2}|n(n-1)|}, \frac{\|Df(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)\|}{|2|^{i+2}|n(n-1)|} \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|}, \frac{\varphi(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and any integer  $i \geq 0$ . It follows from (4) and (9) that the sequence  $\{J_m f(x)\}$  is Cauchy for each  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence  $\{J_m f(x)\}$  is convergent. Hence, we can define a function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$T(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} J_m f(x)$$

for any  $x \in X$ .

It follows from (9) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_m f(x) - f(x)\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} (J_{i+1} f(x) - J_i f(x)) \right\| \\ &\leq \max_{0 \leq i < m} \left\{ \frac{\varphi(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|}, \frac{\varphi(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+3}|n(n-1)|} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $x \in X$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (10) and using (5), we obtain the inequality (7).

If we replace  $x_i$  in (6) with  $2^m x_i$  for every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then a routine calculation yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D(J_m f)(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \\ &= \left\| \frac{Df(2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n) - Df(-2^m x_1, \dots, -2^m x_n)}{2^{m+1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{Df(2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n) + Df(-2^m x_1, \dots, -2^m x_n)}{2^{2m+1}} \right\| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n)}{|2|^{m+1}}, \frac{\varphi(-2^m x_1, \dots, -2^m x_n)}{|2|^{m+1}}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{\varphi(2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n)}{|2|^{2m+1}}, \frac{\varphi(-2^m x_1, \dots, -2^m x_n)}{|2|^{2m+1}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in the last inequality and using (4), we get  $DT(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$ , i.e.,  $T$  is a solution of Eq. (3).

If  $T'$  is another additive-quadratic function satisfying (7), then by considering the first equality in (9) we have

$$\begin{aligned} T'(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (J_i T'(x) - J_{i+1} T'(x)) + J_k T'(x) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left( -\frac{DT'(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{2^{2i+3n(n-1)}} - \frac{DT'(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{2^{2i+3n(n-1)}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{DT'(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{2^{i+2n(n-1)}} + \frac{DT'(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{2^{i+2n(n-1)}} \right) + J_k T'(x) \\ &= J_k T'(x) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $DT'(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x) = DT'(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x) = 0$ . It also holds that  $T(x) = J_k T(x)$ . Thus, it follows from (4), (5), (7), and (8) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x) - T'(x)\| &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|J_k T(x) - J_k T'(x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \max \{ \|J_k T(x) - J_k f(x)\|, \|J_k f(x) - J_k T'(x)\| \} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{-2k-1} \max \{ \|T(2^k x) - f(2^k x)\|, \|T(-2^k x) - f(-2^k x)\|, \\ &\quad \|f(2^k x) - T'(2^k x)\|, \|f(-2^k x) - T'(-2^k x)\| \} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_{k \leq i < m+k} \left\{ \frac{\varphi(2^i x, \dots, 2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+4}|n(n-1)|}, \frac{\varphi(-2^i x, \dots, -2^i x)}{|2|^{2i+4}|n(n-1)|} \right\} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore, we conclude that  $T = T'$ .  $\square$

COROLLARY 1. *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively. If  $|2| < 1$  and a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality*

$$\|Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  and for some  $r > 2$ , then there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{n\theta}{|2|^3 |n| |n-1|} \|x\|^r \tag{11}$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Let us define

$$\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Since  $|2| < 1$  and  $r - 2 > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{-2m} \varphi(2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{m(r-2)} \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Therefore, the condition (4) is satisfied. Furthermore, it is easy to see that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x) = |2|^{-3} n \theta \|x\|^r.$$

By Theorem 2, there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that the inequality (11) holds.  $\square$

THEOREM 3. *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively. Let  $\varphi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function such that*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |2|^m \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^m}, \frac{x_2}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^m}\right) = 0 \tag{12}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Assume that the limit

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_{0 \leq i < m} \left\{ |2|^{i-1} \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right), |2|^{i-1} \varphi\left(\frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\} \tag{13}$$

exists for each  $x \in X$ . If a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \leq \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \tag{14}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ , and if  $|2| < 1$ , then there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{\tilde{\varphi}(x)}{|n(n-1)|} \tag{15}$$

for any  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $J_m f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function defined by

$$J_m f(x) = 2^{2m-1} \left( f\left(\frac{x}{2^m}\right) + f\left(\frac{-x}{2^m}\right) \right) + 2^{m-1} \left( f\left(\frac{x}{2^m}\right) - f\left(\frac{-x}{2^m}\right) \right)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ . Analogously to (9), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|J_i f(x) - J_{i+1} f(x)\| \\ &= \left| \frac{2^{i-1}}{n(n-1)} \right| \left\| (2^i + 1) Df\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right) + (2^i - 1) Df\left(\frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{2^{i-1}}{n(n-1)} \right| \max \left\{ \left\| Df\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\|, \left\| Df\left(\frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\| \right\} \quad (16) \\ &\leq \left| \frac{2^{i-1}}{n(n-1)} \right| \max \left\{ \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right), \varphi\left(\frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and any integer  $i \geq 0$ . It follows from (12) and (16) that the sequence  $\{J_m f(x)\}$  is Cauchy for any  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence  $\{J_m f(x)\}$  is convergent. Hence, we can define a function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$T(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} J_m f(x)$$

for every  $x \in X$ .

It follows from (16) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_m f(x) - f(x)\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} (J_{i+1} f(x) - J_i f(x)) \right\| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \right| \max_{0 \leq i < m} \left\{ 2^{|i-1|} \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}\right), \right. \quad (17) \\ &\quad \left. 2^{|i-1|} \varphi\left(\frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $x \in X$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (17) and using (13), we obtain (15).

Replacing  $x_i$  in (14) with  $2^{-m} x_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , it follows from a tedious calculation,  $(N_3)$ , and (14) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D(J_m f)(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \\ &= \left\| 2^{m-1} Df\left(\frac{x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^m}\right) - 2^{m-1} Df\left(\frac{-x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{-x_n}{2^m}\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2^{2m-1} Df\left(\frac{x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^m}\right) + 2^{2m-1} Df\left(\frac{-x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{-x_n}{2^m}\right) \right\| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ 2^{|m-1|} \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^m}\right), 2^{|m-1|} \varphi\left(\frac{-x_1}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{-x_n}{2^m}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in the last inequality and using (12), we get  $DT(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0$  for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ , i.e.,  $T$  is a solution of Eq. (3).



If  $T'$  is another additive-quadratic function satisfying (15), then by a similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 2, (16) yields

$$\begin{aligned} T'(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (J_i T'(x) - J_{i+1} T'(x)) + J_k T'(x) \\ &= \frac{2^{i-1}}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left( (2^i + 1) DT' \left( \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (2^i - 1) DT' \left( \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}} \right) \right) + J_k T'(x) \\ &= J_k T'(x) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $DT' \left( \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}} \right) = DT' \left( \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}} \right) = 0$ . It also holds that  $T(x) = J_k T(x)$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|T(x) - T'(x)\| \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|J_k T(x) - J_k T'(x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \max \{ \|J_k T(x) - J_k f(x)\|, \|J_k f(x) - J_k T'(x)\| \} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{k-1} \max \left\{ \left\| T \left( \frac{x}{2^k} \right) - f \left( \frac{x}{2^k} \right) \right\|, \left\| T \left( \frac{-x}{2^k} \right) - f \left( \frac{-x}{2^k} \right) \right\|, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left\| f \left( \frac{x}{2^k} \right) - T' \left( \frac{x}{2^k} \right) \right\|, \left\| f \left( \frac{-x}{2^k} \right) - T' \left( \frac{-x}{2^k} \right) \right\| \right\} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_{k \leq i < m+k} \left\{ \frac{|2|^{i-2}}{|n(n-1)|} \varphi \left( \frac{x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{x}{2^{i+1}} \right), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{|2|^{i-2}}{|n(n-1)|} \varphi \left( \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}}, \dots, \frac{-x}{2^{i+1}} \right) \right\} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore, we conclude that  $T = T'$ , which ends the proof.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be a non-Archimedean space and a complete non-Archimedean space, respectively. If  $|2| < 1$  and a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality*

$$\|Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\| \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$  and for some  $0 \leq r < 1$ , then there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{n\theta}{|2|^{1+r}|n(n-1)|} \|x\|^r \tag{18}$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Let us define

$$\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) := \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r.$$

Since  $|2| < 1$  and  $1 - r > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |2|^m \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^m}, \frac{x_2}{2^m}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^m}\right) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{m(1-r)} \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r = 0$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Moreover, it is easy to see that  $\tilde{\varphi}(x) = |2|^{-1-r} n \theta \|x\|^r$ . By Theorem 3, there exists a unique additive-quadratic function  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that the inequality (18) holds.  $\square$

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