

STABILITY OF n - DIMENSIONAL ADDITIVE FUNCTIONAL EQUATION IN FUZZY NORMED SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, the authors investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam-stability of new n - dimensional additive functional equation

$$\sum_{j=1}^n f\left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i\right) = (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j)$$

in fuzzy normed space using direct and fixed point approach.

1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The stability problem of functional equations originated from a question of S.M. Ulam [39] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. D.H. Hyers [14] gave a first affirmative partial answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces. He proved the following celebrated theorem.

Theorem 1.1. [14] *Let X, Y be Banach spaces and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping satisfying*

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \varepsilon \quad (1.1)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then the limit

$$a(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n} \quad (1.2)$$

exists for all $x \in X$ and $a : X \rightarrow Y$ is the unique additive mapping satisfying

$$\|f(x) - a(x)\| \leq \varepsilon \quad (1.3)$$

for all $x \in X$. Moreover, if $f(tx)$ is continuous in t for each fixed $x \in X$, then the function a is linear.

Hyers' theorem was generalized by T. Aoki [2] for additive mappings and by Th.M. Rassias [34] for linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference. The paper of Th.M. Rassias [34] has provided a lot of influence in the development of what we call generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of functional

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equations. A generalization of the Th.M. Rassias theorem was obtained by P. Gavruta [13] by replacing the unbounded Cauchy difference by a general control function in the spirit of Rassias approach. In 1982, J.M. Rassias [31] followed the innovative approach of the Th.M. Rassias theorem [34] in which he replaced the factor $\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$ by $\|x\|^p\|y\|^q$ for $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ with $p + q = 1$.

In 2008, a special case of Gavruta's theorem for the unbounded Cauchy difference was obtained by Ravi et al., [36] by considering the summation of both the sum and the product of two p -norms in the spirit of Rassias approach. 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 (see [1, 11, 15, 19]).

A.K. Katsaras [21] defined a fuzzy norm on a vector space to construct a fuzzy vector topological structure on the space. Some mathematicians have defined fuzzy norms on a vector space from various points of view [12, 23, 40]. In particular, T. Bag and S.K. Samanta [7], following S.C. Cheng and J.N. Mordeson [9], gave an idea of fuzzy norm in such a manner that the corresponding fuzzy metric is of Kramosil and Michalek type [22]. They established a decomposition theorem of a fuzzy norm into a family of crisp norms and investigated some properties of fuzzy normed spaces [8].

One of the most famous functional equation is the additive functional equation

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) \quad (1.4)$$

which is additive functional equation having solution $f(x) = cx$.

We use the definition of fuzzy normed spaces given in [7] and [26–29].

Definition 1.1. Let X be a real linear space. A function $N : X \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ (the so-called fuzzy subset) is said to be a fuzzy norm on X if for all $x, y \in X$ and all $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$,

- (F1) $N(x, c) = 0$ for $c \leq 0$;
- (F2) $x = 0$ if and only if $N(x, c) = 1$ for all $c > 0$;
- (F3) $N(cx, t) = N\left(x, \frac{t}{|c|}\right)$ if $c \neq 0$;
- (F4) $N(x+y, s+t) \geq \min\{N(x, s), N(y, t)\}$;
- (F5) $N(x, \cdot)$ is a non-decreasing function on $\mathbb{R}$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 1$;
- (F6) for $x \neq 0$, $N(x, \cdot)$ is (upper semi) continuous on $\mathbb{R}$.

The pair (X, N) is called a fuzzy normed linear space. One may regard $N(x, t)$ as the truth-value of the statement the norm of x is less than or equal to the real number t .

Example 1.1. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed linear space. Then

$$N(x, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t + \|x\|}, & t > 0, x \in X, \\ 0, & t \leq 0, x \in X \end{cases}$$

is a fuzzy norm on X .

Definition 1.2. Let (X, N) be a fuzzy normed linear space. Let x_n be a sequence in X . Then x_n is said to be convergent if there exists $x \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(x_n - x, t) = 1$ for all $t > 0$. In that case, x is called the limit of the sequence x_n and we denote it by $N - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$.

Definition 1.3. A sequence x_n in X is called Cauchy if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each $t > 0$ there exists n_0 such that for all $n \geq n_0$ and all $p > 0$, we have $N(x_{n+p} - x_n, t) > 1 - \varepsilon$.

Definition 1.4. Every convergent sequence in a fuzzy normed space is Cauchy. If each Cauchy sequence is convergent, then the fuzzy norm is said to be complete and the fuzzy normed space is called a fuzzy Banach space.

Definition 1.5. A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ between fuzzy normed spaces X and Y is continuous at a point x_0 if for each sequence $\{x_n\}$ covering to x_0 in X , the sequence $f\{x_n\}$ converges to $f(x_0)$. If f is continuous at each point of $x_0 \in X$ then f is said to be continuous on X .

In this paper, author investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Aoki-Rassias stability of generalized n -dimensional additive functional equation

$$\sum_{j=1}^n f \left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i \right) = (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) \quad (1.5)$$

in the fuzzy normed vector space setting.

2. GENERAL SOLUTION

In this section, the general solution of the functional equation (1.5) is given.

Theorem 2.1. Let X and Y be real vector spaces. The mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the additive functional equation (1.4) for all $x, y \in X$ if and only if $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfying the functional equation (1.5) for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$.

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.5). Setting $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = \dots = x_n = 0$ in (1.5), we get $f(0) = 0$. Letting $x_2 = x_3 = \dots = x_n = 0$ in (1.5), we obtain $f(-x_1) = -f(x_1)$ for all $x_1 \in X$. Therefore f is an odd function. Replacing $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots, x_n)$ by $(x, y, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$ in (1.5), we get (1.4) as desired.

Conversely, let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.4). Setting $x = y = 0$ in (1.4), we obtain $f(0) = 0$. Replacing x by $-y$, we arrive

$$f(-x) = -f(x) \quad (2.1)$$

for all $x \in X$. Setting $y = x$ and $y = 2x$ in (1.4) respectively, we get

$$f(2x) = 2f(x), \quad f(3x) = 3f(x) \quad (2.2)$$

for all $x \in X$. In general, for any positive integer a , we have

$$f(ax) = af(x) \quad (2.3)$$

for all $x \in X$. It is easy to verify from (1.4) that

$$f(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n) = f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_n) \quad (2.4)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$. Now, replacing x_1 by $-x_1$, x_2 by $-x_2$, $\dots$, x_{n-1} by $-x_{n-1}$ and x_n by $-x_n$ respectively in (2.4) and using (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3), we arrive the following equations

$$f(-x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} + x_n) = -f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n), \quad (2.5)$$

$$f(x_1 - x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} + x_n) = f(x_1) - f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n), \quad (2.6)$$

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$$f(x_1 + x_2 + \dots - x_{n-1} + x_n) = f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots - f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n), \quad (2.7)$$

$$f(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} - x_n) = f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_{n-1}) - f(x_n). \quad (2.8)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$. Adding all the n equations, we arrive (1.5) as desired. $\square$

3. MAIN RESULTS: DIRECT METHOD

Throughout this section, assume that $X, (Z, N')$ and (Y, N') are linear space, fuzzy normed space and fuzzy Banach space, respectively. Now use the following notation for a given mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$

$$Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^n f\left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i\right) - (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j)$$

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

Now, we investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of n -dimensional additive functional equation (1.5).

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\beta \in \{-1, 1\}$ be fixed and $X, (Z, N')$ and (Y, N') are linear space, fuzzy normed space and fuzzy Banach space respectively. Let $\psi : X^n \rightarrow Z$ be a function with $0 < \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^\beta < 1$*

$$N'\left(\psi\left((n-2)^\beta x, (n-2)^\beta x, \dots, (n-2)^\beta x\right), t\right) \geq N'\left(\alpha^\beta \psi(x, x, \dots, x), t\right) \quad (3.1)$$

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

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N'\left(\psi\left((n-2)^{\beta k} x_1, (n-2)^{\beta k} x_2, \dots, (n-2)^{\beta k} x_n\right), (n-2)^{\beta k} t\right) = 1 \quad (3.2)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Suppose that a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the inequality

$$N(Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), t) \geq N'(\psi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), t) \quad (3.3)$$

for all $t > 0$ and all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$. Then the limit

$$A(x) = N - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f((n-2)^{\beta k} x)}{(n-2)^{\beta k}} \quad (3.4)$$

exists for all $x \in X$ and the mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ is a unique additive function such that

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), nt|(n-2) - \alpha|) \quad (3.5)$$

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

Proof. Assume $\beta = 1$. Replacing $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ by $(x, x, \dots, x)$ in (3.3), we get

$$N(nf((n-2)x) - n(n-2)f(x), t) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t) \quad (3.6)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Replacing x by $(n-2)^k x$ in (3.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+1}x)}{n-2} - f((n-2)^k x), \frac{t}{n(n-2)}\right) \\ \geq N'\left(\psi((n-2)^k x, (n-2)^k x, \dots, (n-2)^k x), t\right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Using (3.1), (F3) in (3.7), we get

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+1}x)}{n-2} - f((n-2)^k x), \frac{t}{n(n-2)}\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{t}{\alpha^k}\right) \quad (3.8)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. It is simple to check from (3.8), that

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+1}x)}{(n-2)^{k+1}} - \frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, \frac{t}{n(n-2)^{k+1}}\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{t}{\alpha^k}\right) \quad (3.9)$$

holds for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Replacing t by $\alpha^k t$ in (3.9), we get

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+1}x)}{(n-2)^{k+1}} - \frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, \frac{\alpha^k t}{n(n-2)^{k+1}}\right) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t) \quad (3.10)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. It is easy to see that

$$\frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left[\frac{f((n-2)^{i+1}x)}{(n-2)^{i+1}} - \frac{f((n-2)^i x)}{(n-2)^i} \right] \quad (3.11)$$

for all $x \in X$. From equations (3.10) and (3.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - f(x), \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha^i t}{n(n-2)^{i+1}}\right) \\ \geq \min \bigcup_{i=0}^{k-1} \left\{ \frac{f((n-2)^{i+1}x)}{(n-2)^{i+1}} - \frac{f((n-2)^i x)}{(n-2)^i}, \frac{\alpha^i t}{n(n-2)^{i+1}} \right\} \\ \geq \min \bigcup_{i=0}^{k-1} \{N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t)\} \\ \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t) \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Replacing x by $(n-2)^m x$ in (3.12) and using (3.1), (F3),

we arrive

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+m}x)}{(n-2)^{k+m}} - \frac{f((n-2)^m x)}{(n-2)^m}, \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha^i t}{n(n-2)^{m+i+1}}\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x, \frac{t}{\alpha^m})\right) \quad (3.13)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$ and all $m, k \geq 0$. Replacing t by $\alpha^m t$ in (3.13), we get

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+m}x)}{(n-2)^{k+m}} - \frac{f((n-2)^m x)}{(n-2)^m}, \sum_{i=m}^{m+k-1} \frac{\alpha^i t}{n(n-2)^{i+1}}\right) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x, t)) \quad (3.14)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$ and all $m, k \geq 0$. Using (F3) in (3.14), we obtain

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^{k+m}x)}{(n-2)^{k+m}} - \frac{f((n-2)^m x)}{(n-2)^m}, t\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{t}{\sum_{i=m}^{m+k-1} \frac{\alpha^i}{n(n-2)^{i+1}}}\right) \quad (3.15)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$ and all $m, n \geq 0$.

Since $0 < \alpha < n-2$ and $\sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{\alpha}{n-2}\right)^i < \infty$, the cauchy criterion for convergence and

(F5) gives that $\left\{\frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}\right\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (Y, N) . Since (Y, N) is a fuzzy Banach space, this sequence converges to some point $A(x) \in Y$. Define $A : X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$A(x) = N - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Taking $m = 0$ in (3.15), we get

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - f(x), t\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{t}{\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha^i}{n(n-2)^{i+1}}}\right) \quad (3.16)$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Allowing $k \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.16) and using (F6), we get

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), n(n-2-\alpha)t)$$

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

To prove A satisfies the functional equation (1.5), replacing $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ by $((n-2)^k x_1, (n-2)^k x_2, \dots, (n-2)^k x_n)$ in (3.3) respectively, we get

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(\frac{1}{(n-2)^k} Df\left((n-2)^k x_1, (n-2)^k x_2, \dots, (n-2)^k x_n\right), t\right) \\ \geq N'\left(\psi\left((n-2)^k x_1, (n-2)^k x_2, \dots, (n-2)^k x_n\right), (n-2)^k t\right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

for all $t > 0$ and all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
& N\left(\sum_{j=1}^n A(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i) - (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_j), t\right) \\
& \geq \min\left\{N\left(\sum_{j=1}^n A(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i) - \frac{1}{(n-2)^k} \sum_{j=1}^n f(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i), \frac{t}{3}\right), \right. \\
& \quad N\left(- (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_j) + \frac{(n-2)}{(n-2)^k} \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j), \frac{t}{3}\right), \\
& \quad \left. N\left(\frac{1}{(n-2)^k} \sum_{j=1}^n f(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i) - \frac{(n-2)}{(n-2)^k} \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j), \frac{r}{3}\right)\right\} \quad (3.18)
\end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Using (3.17) and (3.18) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& N\left(\sum_{j=1}^n A\left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i\right) - (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_j), t\right) \\
& \geq \min\left\{1, 1, N'\left(\Psi\left((n-2)^k x_1, \dots, (n-2)^k x_n\right), (n-2)^k t\right)\right\} \\
& \geq N'\left(\Psi\left((n-2)^k x_1, \dots, (n-2)^k x_n\right), (n-2)^k t\right) \quad (3.19)
\end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.19) and using (3.2), we get

$$N\left(\sum_{j=1}^n A\left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i\right) - (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_j), t\right) = 1 \quad (3.20)$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Using (F2) in (3.20), we obtain

$$\sum_{j=1}^n A\left(-x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n, i \neq j} x_i\right) = (n-2) \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_j)$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$.

Hence A satisfies the additive functional equation (1.5).

To prove the uniqueness of A , Suppose that there exists a another additive function $A' : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfying (1.5) and (3.5). We have

$$\begin{aligned}
N(A(x) - A'(x), t) &= N\left(\frac{A((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - \frac{A'((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, t\right) \\
&\geq \min\left\{N\left(\frac{A((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - \frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, \frac{t}{2}\right), \right. \\
& \quad \left. N\left(\frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k} - \frac{A'((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, \frac{t}{2}\right)\right\} \\
&\geq N'\left(\Psi((n-2)^k x, \dots, (n-2)^k x), \frac{nt(n-2)^k((n-2) - \alpha)}{2}\right) \\
&\geq N'\left(\Psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{nt(n-2)^k((n-2) - \alpha)}{2\alpha^k}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

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

Since

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{nt(n-2)^k((n-2) - \alpha)}{2\alpha^k} = \infty,$$

we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N' \left(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), \frac{nt(n-2)^k((n-2) - \alpha)}{2\alpha^k} \right) = 1.$$

Thus

$$N(A(x) - A'(x), t) = 1$$

for all $x \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Hence $A(x) = A'(x)$. Therefore $A(x)$ is unique.

For $\beta = -1$, we can prove the stability result by a similar manner. This completes the proof of the theorem. $\square$

The following corollary is an immediate outcome of Theorem 3.1 concerning the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias and JMRassias stabilities for the functional equation (1.5).

Corollary 3.1. *Suppose that a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the inequality*

$$N(Df(x_1, \dots, x_n), t) \geq \begin{cases} N'(\epsilon, t), & \\ N'(\epsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s, t), & s \neq 1; \\ N'(\epsilon \prod_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s, t), & s \neq \frac{1}{n}; \\ N'(\epsilon \prod_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s + \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^{ns}, t), & s \neq \frac{1}{n}; \end{cases} \quad (3.21)$$

for all $t > 0$ and all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$, where ϵ, s are constants with $\epsilon > 0$. Then there exists a unique additive function $A : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq \begin{cases} N'(\epsilon, n|n-3|t), & \\ N'(n\epsilon\|x\|^s, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^s|t), & \\ N'(\epsilon\|x\|^{ns}, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^{ns}|t), & \\ N'((1+n)\epsilon\|x\|^{ns}, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^{ns}|t), & \end{cases} \quad (3.22)$$

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

4. MAIN RESULTS: FIXED POINT METHOD

In this section, the authors presented the generalized Ulam - Hyers stability of the functional equation (1.5) in Fuzzy normed space using fixed point method.

Now we will recall the fundamental results in fixed point theory.

Theorem 4.1. (Banach's contraction principle) *Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and consider a mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ which is strictly contractive mapping, that is*

(A1) $d(Tx, Ty) \leq Ld(x, y)$ for some (Lipschitz constant) $L < 1$. Then,

(i) The mapping T has one and only fixed point $x^* = T(x^*)$;

(ii) The fixed point for each given element x^* is globally attractive, that is

(A2) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x = x^*$, for any starting point $x \in X$;

(iii) One has the following estimation inequalities:

(A3) $d(T^n x, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(T^n x, T^{n+1} x), \forall n \geq 0, \forall x \in X$;

(A4) $d(x, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(x, T x), \forall x \in X$.

Theorem 4.2. [24] (The alternative of fixed point) Suppose that for a complete generalized metric space (X, d) and a strictly contractive mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ with Lipschitz constant L . Then, for each given element $x \in X$, either

$$(B1) \quad d(T^n x, T^{n+1} x) = \infty \quad \forall n \geq 0,$$

or

(B2) there exists a natural number n_0 such that:

- (i) $d(T^n x, T^{n+1} x) < \infty$ for all $n \geq n_0$;
- (ii) The sequence $(T^n x)$ is convergent to a fixed point y^* of T
- (iii) y^* is the unique fixed point of T in the set $Y = \{y \in X : d(T^{n_0} x, y) < \infty\}$;
- (iv) $d(y^*, y) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(y, Ty)$ for all $y \in Y$.

For to prove the stability result we define the following:

μ_i is a constant such that

$$\mu_i = \begin{cases} n-2 & \text{if } i = 0, \\ \frac{1}{n-2} & \text{if } i = 1 \end{cases}$$

and Ω is the set such that

$$\Omega = \{p \mid p : X \rightarrow Y, p(0) = 0\}.$$

Theorem 4.3. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping for which there exist a function $\psi : X^n \rightarrow Z$ with

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N' \left(\psi \left(\mu_i^k x_1, \mu_i^k x_2, \dots, \mu_i^k x_n \right), \mu_i^k t \right) = 1 \quad \forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X, t > 0 \quad (4.1)$$

and satisfies

$$N(D f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), t) \geq N'(\psi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), t) \quad \forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X, t > 0. \quad (4.2)$$

If there exists $L = L(i)$ such that the function

$$x \rightarrow \alpha(x) = \frac{1}{n} \psi \left(\frac{x}{n-2}, \frac{x}{n-2}, \dots, \frac{x}{n-2} \right),$$

has the property

$$N' \left(L \frac{1}{\mu_i} \alpha(\mu_i x), t \right) = N'(\alpha(x), t), \quad \forall x \in X, t > 0. \quad (4.3)$$

Then there exists unique additive mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfying (1.5) and

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq N' \left(\alpha(x) \frac{L^{1-i}}{1-L}, t \right), \quad \forall x \in X, t > 0. \quad (4.4)$$

Proof. Let d be a general metric on Ω , such that

$$d(p, q) = \inf \{K \in (0, \infty) \mid N(p(x) - q(x), t) \geq N'(K\alpha(x), t), x \in X, t > 0\}.$$

It is easy to verify that (Ω, d) is complete. Define $T : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ by $Tp(x) = \frac{1}{\mu_i} p(\mu_i x)$,

for all $x \in X$. For $p, q \in \Omega$, we have $d(p, q) \leq K$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow N(p(x) - q(x), t) \geq N'(\alpha(x), Kt) \\
&\Rightarrow N\left(\frac{p(\mu_i x)}{\mu_i} - \frac{q(\mu_i x)}{\mu_i}, t\right) \geq N'(\alpha(\mu_i x), K\mu_i t) \\
&\Rightarrow N(Tp(x) - Tq(x), t) \geq N'(\alpha(x), KLt) \\
&\Rightarrow d(Tp(x), Tq(x)) \leq KL \\
&\Rightarrow d(Tp, Tq) \leq Ld(p, q)
\end{aligned}$$

for all $p, q \in \Omega$. There fore T is strictly contractive mapping on Ω with Lipschitz constant L . Replacing $(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$ by $(x, x, \dots, x)$ in (4.2), we get

$$N(nf((n-2)x) - n(n-2)f(x), t) \geq N'(\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t). \quad (4.5)$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$. Using (F3) in (4.5), we get

$$N\left(\frac{f((n-2)x)}{(n-2)} - f(x), t\right) \geq N'\left(\frac{1}{n(n-2)}\psi(x, x, \dots, x), t\right) \quad (4.6)$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ with the help of (4.3) when $i = 0$ and it follows from (4.6), we arrive

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow N\left(\frac{f((n-2)x)}{(n-2)} - f(x), t\right) \geq N'(\alpha(x), Lt) \\
&\Rightarrow d(Tf, f) \leq L = L^1 = L^{1-i}
\end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

Replacing x by $\frac{x}{(n-2)}$ in (4.5), we get

$$N\left(f(x) - (n-2)f\left(\frac{x}{(n-2)}\right), t\right) \geq N'\left(\psi\left(\frac{1}{n}\frac{x}{(n-2)}, \frac{x}{(n-2)}, \dots, \frac{x}{(n-2)}\right), t\right) \quad (4.8)$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ using (4.3) when $i = 1$, it follows from (4.8) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow N\left(f(x) - (n-2)f\left(\frac{x}{(n-2)}\right), t\right) \geq N'(\alpha(x), t) \\
&\Rightarrow d(f, Tf) \leq 1 = L^0 = L^{1-i}
\end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

Then from (4.7) and (4.9) we can conclude,

$$d(f, Tf) \leq L^{1-i} < \infty$$

Now from the fixed point alternative in both cases, it follows that there exists a fixed point A of T in Ω such that

$$A(x) = N - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f((n-2)^k x)}{(n-2)^k}, \quad \forall x \in X, t > 0. \quad (4.10)$$

Replacing $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ by $(\mu_i x_1, \mu_i x_2, \dots, \mu_i x_n)$ in (4.2), we arrive

$$N\left(\frac{1}{\mu_i^k} Df(\mu_i x_1, \mu_i x_2, \dots, \mu_i x_n), t\right) \geq N'\left(\psi(\mu_i x_1, \mu_i x_2, \dots, \mu_i x_n), \mu_i^k t\right) \quad (4.11)$$

for all $t > 0$ and all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$

By following the same manner as in the Theorem 3.1, we can prove the function, $A : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies (1.5).

By fixed point alternative, since A is unique fixed point of T in the set

$$\Delta = \{f \in \Omega \mid d(f, A) < \infty\},$$

therefore A is a unique function such that

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq N'(\alpha(x), Kt) \quad (4.12)$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and $K > 0$. Again using the fixed point alternative, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(f, A) &\leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, Tf) \\ \Rightarrow d(f, A) &\leq \frac{L^{1-i}}{1-L} \\ \Rightarrow N(f(x) - A(x), t) &\geq N'\left(\alpha(x) \frac{L^{1-i}}{1-L}, t\right), \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

for all $x \in X$ and $t > 0$. This completes the proof of the theorem. $\square$

From Theorem 4.3, we obtain the following corollary concerning the stability for the functional equation (1.5).

Corollary 4.1. *Suppose that a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the inequality*

$$N(Df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), t) \geq \begin{cases} N'(\varepsilon, t), & \\ N'(\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s, t), & s \neq 1; \\ N'(\varepsilon \prod_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s, t), & s \neq \frac{1}{n}; \\ N'(\varepsilon \prod_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^s + \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^{ns}, t), & s \neq \frac{1}{n}; \end{cases} \quad (4.14)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ and $t > 0$, where ε, s are constants with $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $A : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$N(f(x) - A(x), t) \geq \begin{cases} N'(\varepsilon, n|n-3|t), & \\ N'(n\varepsilon\|x\|^s, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^s|t), & \\ N'(\varepsilon\|x\|^{ns}, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^{ns}|t), & \\ N'((n-1)\varepsilon\|x\|^{ns}, n|(n-2) - (n-2)^{ns}|t), & \end{cases} \quad (4.15)$$

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

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