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# On the Stability Problem in Fuzzy Banach Space

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We investigate the generalized Ulam-Hyers stability of the Cauchy functional equation and pose two open problems in fuzzy Banach space.

## 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In 1940, Ulam [1] asked the first question on the stability problem. In 1941, Hyers [2] solved the problem of Ulam. This result was generalized by Aoki [3] for additive mappings and by Th. M. Rassias [4] for linear mappings by considering an *unbounded Cauchy difference*.

**Theorem 1.1** (Th. M. Rassias). *Let  $f : E \rightarrow E'$  be a mapping from a normed vector space  $E$  into a Banach space  $E'$  subject to the inequality:*

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \epsilon(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p) \quad (1.1)$$

*for all  $x, y \in E$ , where  $\epsilon$  and  $p$  are constants with  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $0 \leq p < 1$ . Then, the limit  $L(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1/2^n)f(2^n x)$  exists for all  $x \in E$  and  $L : E \rightarrow E'$  is the unique additive mapping which satisfies*

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{2\epsilon}{2-2^p} \|x\|^p \quad (1.2)$$

*for all  $x \in E$ . Also, if for each  $x \in E$  the function  $f(tx)$  is continuous in  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $L$  is linear.*

In 1990, Th. M. Rassias [5] during the 27th International Symposium on Functional Equations asked the question whether such a theorem can also be proved for  $p \geq 1$ . In 1991, Gajda [6] gave an affirmative solution to this question for  $p > 1$ . It was shown by Gajda [6], as well as by Th. M. Rassias and Šemrl [7], that one cannot prove a Th. M. Rassias type theorem when  $p = 1$ . Găvruta [8] proved that the function  $f(x) = x \ln |x|$ , if  $x \neq 0$  and  $f(0) = 0$  satisfies (1.1) with  $\epsilon = p = 1$  but

$$\sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|f(x) - A(x)|}{|x|} \geq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{|n \ln n - A(n)|}{n} = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |\ln n - A(1)| = \infty \quad (1.3)$$

for any additive function  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . J. M. Rassias [9] replaced the factor  $\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$  by  $\|x\|^{p_1} \|y\|^{p_2}$  for  $p_1, p_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $p_1 + p_2 \neq 1$  (see also [10, 11]) and has obtained the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $X$  be a real normed linear space and  $Y$  a real complete normed linear space. Assume that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an approximately additive mapping for which there exist constants  $\theta \geq 0$  and  $p = p_1 + p_2 \neq 1$  such that  $f$  satisfies the inequality:*

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \theta \|x\|^{p_1} \|y\|^{p_2} \quad (1.4)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{\theta}{|2^p - 2|} \|x\|^p \quad (1.5)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . If, in addition,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a mapping such that the transformation  $t \rightarrow f(tx)$  is continuous in  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $x \in X$ , then  $L$  is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear mapping.

In the case  $p = 1$ , we do not have stability [12]. In 1994, a further generalization of Th. M. Rassias' Theorem was obtained by Găvruta [13], in which he replaced the bound  $\epsilon(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$  by a general control function  $\varphi(x, y)$ . Isac and Th. M. Rassias [14] replaced the factor  $\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$  by  $\|x\|^{p_1} + \|y\|^{p_2}$  in Theorem 1.1 and solved stability problem when  $p_2 \leq p_1 < 1$  or  $1 < p_2 \leq p_1$ , also they asked the question whether such a theorem can be proved for  $p_2 < 1 < p_1$ . Găvruta [8] gave a negative answer to this question. Isac and Th. M. Rassias [15] applied the Ulam-Hyers-Rassias stability theory to prove fixed point theorems and study some new applications in nonlinear analysis. During the last two decades, a number of papers and research monographs have been published on various generalizations and applications of the generalized Ulam-Hyers stability to a number of functional equations and mappings (see [16–40]). We also refer the readers to the books of Czerwik [41] and Hyers et al. [42].

Th. M. Rassias [43] has obtained the following theorem and posed a problem.

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be two Banach spaces, and let  $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a mapping such that  $f(tx)$  is continuous in  $t$  for each fixed  $x$ . Assume that there exist  $\theta \geq 0$  and  $p \in [0, 1)$  such that*

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p) \quad (1.6)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Let  $k$  be a positive integer  $k > 2$ . Then, there exists a unique linear mapping  $T : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{k\theta}{k - k^p} \|x\|^p s(k, p) \tag{1.7}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where

$$s(k, p) = 1 + \frac{1}{k} \sum_{m=2}^{k-1} m^p. \tag{1.8}$$

*Th. M. Rassias Problem*

What is the best possible value of  $k$  in Theorem 1.3?

Găvruta et al. have given a generalization of [13] and have answered to Th. M. Rassias problem [44].

In [45], J. M. Rassias et al. have investigated the generalized Ulam-Hyers “product-sum” stability of functional equations and have obtained the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.4** (see [45]). *Let  $f : E \rightarrow F$  be a mapping which satisfies the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(mx + y) + f(mx - y) - 2f(x + y) - 2f(x - y) - 2(m^2 - 2)f(x) + 2f(y)\|_F \\ & \leq \epsilon \left( \|x\|_E^p \|y\|_E^p + \|x\|_E^{2p} + \|y\|_E^{2p} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{1.9}$$

for all  $x, y \in E$  with  $x \perp y$ , where  $\epsilon$  and  $p$  are constants with  $\epsilon, p > 0$  and either  $m > 1, p < 1$  or  $m < 1, p > 1$  with  $m \neq 0, m \neq \pm 1, m \neq \sqrt{\pm 2}$ , and  $-1 \neq |m|^{p-1} < 1$ . Then, the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m^{-2n} f(m^n x)$  exists for all  $x \in E$  and  $Q : E \rightarrow F$  is the unique orthogonally Euler-Lagrange quadratic mapping such that

$$\|f(x) - Q(x)\|_F \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2|m^2 - m^{2p}|} \|x\|_E^{2p} \tag{1.10}$$

for all  $x \in E$ .

Note that the mixed “product-sum” function was introduced by J. M. Rassias in 2008-2009 [46–48].

We recall some basic facts concerning fuzzy normed space.

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

- (N1)  $N(x, c) = 0$  for  $c \leq 0$ ;
- (N2)  $x = 0$  if and only if  $N(x, c) = 1$  for all  $c > 0$ ;
- (N3)  $N(cx, t) = N(x, t/|c|)$  if  $c \neq 0$ ;
- (N4)  $N(x + y, t) \geq \min\{N(x, t), N(y, t)\}$ ;

(N5)  $N(x, \cdot)$  is a nondecreasing function of  $\mathbb{R}$  and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 1. \quad (1.11)$$

The pair  $(X, N)$  is called a fuzzy normed linear space. The properties of fuzzy normed vector spaces and examples of fuzzy norms are given in [49–51].

Let  $(X, N)$  be a fuzzy normed space and 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  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a fuzzy normed space  $(X, N)$  is called Cauchy if, for each  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$ , one can find some  $n_0$  such that

$$N(x_m - x_n, \delta) > 1 - \epsilon \quad (1.12)$$

for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ .

It is known that every convergent sequence in a fuzzy normed space is Cauchy. If, in a fuzzy-normed space, 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.

Stability of Cauchy, Jensen, quadratic, and cubic function equation in fuzzy normed spaces have first been investigated in [50–53].

In this paper, we give a generalization of the results from [13] and pose two open problems in fuzzy Banach space. For convenience, we use the following abbreviation for a given mapping  $f$ :

$$Df(x, y) =: f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y). \quad (1.13)$$

## 2. Stability of the Cauchy Functional Equation

Hereafter, unless otherwise stated, we will assume that  $X$  is real vector space,  $(Y, N)$  is a complete fuzzy norm space and  $k$  is a fixed integer greater than 1.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and  $\varphi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$  be a mapping such that,  $\varphi(kx, ky) = \alpha\varphi(x, y)$  for some  $\alpha$  with  $0 < \alpha < k$ . Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'(\varphi(x, y), t) \quad (2.1)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Then, there is a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $T_k(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(k^n x)/k^n$  and

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq M_k(x, (k - \alpha)t), \quad (2.2)$$

where  $M_k(x, t) := \min\{N'(\varphi(x, ix), t) : 1 \leq i < k\}$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $k$ , we show that

$$N(f(kx) - kf(x), t) \geq M_k(x, t) := \min\{N'(\varphi(x, ix), t) : 1 \leq i < k\} \quad (2.3)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Letting  $y = x$  in (2.1), we get

$$N(f(2x) - 2f(x), t) \geq N'(\varphi(x, x), t). \tag{2.4}$$

So we get (2.3) for  $k = 2$ .

Assume that (2.3) holds for  $k$  with  $k > 2$ . Letting  $y = kx$  in (2.1), we get

$$N(f((k+1)x) - f(x) - f(kx), t) \geq N'(\varphi(x, kx), t). \tag{2.5}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . By using (2.3) and (2.5), we get (2.3) for  $k + 1$  and this completes the induction argument. Replacing  $x$  by  $k^n x$  in (2.3), we get

$$N\left(f(k^{n+1}x) - kf(k^n x), t\right) \geq M_k(k^n x, t). \tag{2.6}$$

Thus

$$N\left(\frac{f(k^{n+1}x)}{k^{n+1}} - \frac{f(k^n x)}{k^n}, \frac{t}{k^{n+1}}\right) \geq M_k\left(x, \frac{t}{\alpha^n}\right) \tag{2.7}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & N\left(\frac{1}{k^{n+1}}f(k^{n+1}x) - \frac{1}{k^m}f(k^m x), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{\alpha^i}{k^{i+1}}t\right) \\ & \geq N\left(\sum_{i=m}^n \frac{1}{k^{i+1}}f(k^{i+1}x) - \frac{1}{k^i}f(k^i x), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{\alpha^i}{k^{i+1}}t\right) \\ & \geq \min_{i=m}^n \left\{ N\left(\frac{1}{k^{i+1}}f(k^{i+1}x) - \frac{1}{k^i}f(k^i x), \frac{\alpha^i}{k^{i+1}}t\right) \right\} \\ & \geq M_k(x, t). \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  be given. Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M_k(x, t) = 1$ , there is some  $t_0 > 0$  such that  $M_k(x, t_0) > 1 - \epsilon$ . Since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha^n / k^n) t_0 < \infty$ , there is some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sum_{i=m}^n (\alpha^i / k^i) t_0 < k\delta$  for all  $n > m \geq n_0$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & N\left(\frac{1}{k^{n+1}}f(k^{n+1}x) - \frac{1}{k^m}f(k^m x), \delta\right) \\ & \geq N\left(\frac{1}{k^{n+1}}f(k^{n+1}x) - \frac{1}{k^m}f(k^m x), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{\alpha^i}{k^{i+1}}t_0\right) \\ & \geq M_k(x, t_0) > 1 - \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all nonnegative integers  $n$  and  $m$  with  $n > m \geq n_0$ . Therefore, the sequence  $\{(1/k^n)f(k^n x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, N)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $(Y, N)$  is complete, the

sequence  $\{(1/k^n)f(k^n x)\}$  converges in  $Y$  for all  $x \in X$ . So one can define the mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$T_k(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k^n} f(k^n x) \quad (2.10)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Now, we show that  $T_k$  is an additive mapping. It follows from (2.1) and (2.10) that

$$\begin{aligned} N(DT_k(x, y), t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N\left(\frac{Df(k^n x, k^n y)}{k^n}, t\right) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N'\left(\frac{\varphi(k^n x, k^n y)}{k^n}, t\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N'\left(\varphi(x, y), \frac{k^n}{\alpha^n} t\right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Therefore, the mapping  $T_k$  is additive. Moreover, if we put  $m = 0$  in (2.8), we observe that

$$N\left(\frac{1}{k^{n+1}} f(k^{n+1} x) - f(x), \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{\alpha^i}{k^{i+1}} t\right) \geq M_k(x, t). \quad (2.12)$$

Therefore,

$$N\left(\frac{1}{k^{n+1}} f(k^{n+1} x) - f(x), t\right) \geq M_k\left(x, \frac{t}{\sum_{i=0}^n (\alpha^i / k^{i+1})}\right). \quad (2.13)$$

It follows from (2.13), for large enough  $n$ , that

$$\begin{aligned} N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) &\geq \min\left\{N\left(\frac{f(k^{n+1} x)}{k^{n+1}} - f(x), t\right), N\left(T_k(x) - \frac{f(k^{n+1} x)}{k^{n+1}}, t\right)\right\} \\ &\geq M_k\left(x, \frac{t}{\sum_{i=0}^n (\alpha^i / k^{i+1})}\right) \\ &\geq M_k(x, (k - \alpha)t). \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

Now, we show that  $T_k$  is unique. Let  $T'$  be another additive mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$ , which satisfies the required inequality. Then, for each  $x \in X$  and  $t > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} N(T_k(x) - T'(x), t) &\geq \min\{N(T_k(x) - f(x), t), N(f(x) - T'(x), t)\} \\ &\geq M_k(x, (k - \alpha)t). \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
 N(T_k(x) - T'(x), t) &= N\left(\frac{T_k(k^n x)}{k^n} - \frac{T'(k^n x)}{k^n}, t\right) \\
 &= N(T_k(k^n x) - T'(k^n x), k^n t) \\
 &\geq M_k(k^n x, (k - \alpha)k^n t) \\
 &\geq M_k\left(x, (k - \alpha)\frac{k^n}{\alpha^n} t\right).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.16}$$

Hence, the right-hand side of the above inequality tends to 1 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . It follows that  $T_k(x) = T'(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and,  $\Phi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$  be a mapping such that  $\Phi(k^{-1}x, k^{-1}y) = \alpha^{-1}\Phi(x, y)$  for some  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha > k$ . Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'(\Phi(x, y), t) \tag{2.17}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Then, there is a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $T_k(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k^n f(x/k^n)$  and

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq M_k(x, (\alpha - k)t), \tag{2.18}$$

where  $M_k(x, t) := \min\{N'(\Phi(x, ix), t) : 1 \leq i < k\}$ .

*Proof.* Similarly to the proof of Theorem 2.1, we have

$$N(f(kx) - kf(x), t) \geq M_k(x, t) \tag{2.19}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x/k^{n+1}$  in (2.19), we get

$$N\left(f\left(\frac{x}{k^n}\right) - kf\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}\right), t\right) \geq M_k\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}, t\right). \tag{2.20}$$

Thus,

$$N\left(k^n f\left(\frac{x}{k^n}\right) - k^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}\right), k^n t\right) \geq M_k(x, \alpha^{n+1} t) \tag{2.21}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(k^{n+1}f\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}\right) - k^m f\left(\frac{x}{k^m}\right), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{k^i}{\alpha^{i+1}} t\right) &\geq N\left(\sum_{i=m}^n k^{i+1} f\left(\frac{x}{k^{i+1}}\right) - k^i f\left(\frac{x}{k^i}\right), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{k^i}{\alpha^{i+1}} t\right) \\ &\geq \min_{i=m}^n \left\{ N\left(k^{i+1} f\left(\frac{x}{k^{i+1}}\right) - k^i f\left(\frac{x}{k^i}\right), \frac{k^i}{\alpha^{i+1}} t\right) \right\} \\ &\geq M_k(x, t). \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  be given. Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M_k(x, t) = 1$ , there is some  $t_0 > 0$  such that  $M_k(x, t_0) > 1 - \epsilon$ . Since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (k^n / \alpha^n) t_0 < \infty$ , there is some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sum_{i=m}^n (k^i / \alpha^i) t_0 < \alpha \delta$  for all  $n > m \geq n_0$ . It follows from (2.22) that

$$\begin{aligned} N\left(k^{n+1}f\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}\right) - k^m f\left(\frac{x}{k^m}\right), \delta\right) &\geq N\left(k^{n+1}f\left(\frac{x}{k^{n+1}}\right) - k^m f\left(\frac{x}{k^m}\right), \sum_{i=m}^n \frac{k^i}{\alpha^{i+1}} t_0\right) \\ &\geq M_k(x, t_0) > 1 - \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all nonnegative integers  $n$  and  $m$  with  $n > m \geq n_0$ . Therefore, the sequence  $\{k^n f(x/k^n)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, N)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $(Y, N)$  is complete, the sequence  $\{k^n f(x/k^n)\}$  converges in  $Y$  for all  $x \in X$ . So one can define the mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$T_k(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k^n f\left(\frac{x}{k^n}\right) \tag{2.24}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1 □

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $X$  be a normed space, let  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space, and let  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function such that

- (1)  $\psi(ts) = \psi(t)\psi(s)$ ,
- (2)  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 1$ .

Suppose that a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality:

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'((\psi(\|x\|) + \psi(\|y\|))z_0, t) \tag{2.25}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $z_0$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $T_k(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(k^n x) / k^n)$  and

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N'\left(\psi(\|x\|)z_0, \frac{k - \psi(k)}{\sigma_k(\psi)} t\right) \tag{2.26}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where  $\sigma_k(\psi) = \max\{1 + \psi(i) : 1 \leq i < k\}$ . Moreover,  $T_k = T_2$  for all  $k \geq 2$ .



*Proof.* Let

$$\varphi(x, y) = (\varphi(\|x\|) + \varphi(\|y\|))z_0 \tag{2.27}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . So,

$$\varphi(kx, ky) = \varphi(k)\varphi(x, y). \tag{2.28}$$

where  $\varphi(k) < k$ . By using Theorem 2.1, we can get (2.26). Now, we show that  $T_k = T_2$ . It follows from (1) that  $\varphi(k^n) = (\varphi(k))^n$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $2^n x$  in (2.26), we get

$$N(T_k(2^n x) - f(2^n x), t) \geq N' \left( \varphi(\|2^n x\|)z_0, \frac{k - \varphi(k)}{\sigma_k(\varphi)} t \right) \tag{2.29}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we have

$$N \left( T_k(x) - \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}, t \right) \geq N' \left( \varphi(\|x\|)z_0, \frac{k - \varphi(k)}{\sigma_k(\varphi)\varphi(2^n)} 2^n t \right) \tag{2.30}$$

Using (2) and passing the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.30), we get  $T_k = T_2$ . □

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $X$  be a normed space, let  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space, and let  $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function such that*

- (1)  $\varphi(ts) = \varphi(t)\varphi(s)$ ,
- (2)  $\varphi(t) > t$  for all  $t > 1$ .

*Suppose that a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality:*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'((\varphi(\|x\|) + \varphi(\|y\|))z_0, t) \tag{2.31}$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $z_0$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $T_k(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k^n f(x/k^n)$  and*

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N' \left( \varphi(\|x\|)z_0, \frac{\varphi(k) - k}{\sigma_k(\varphi)} t \right) \tag{2.32}$$

*for all  $x \in X$ , where*

$$\sigma_k(\varphi) = \max\{1 + \varphi(i) : 1 \leq i < k\}. \tag{2.33}$$

*Moreover,  $T_k = T_2$  for all  $k \geq 2$ .*

*Proof.* Let

$$\Phi(x, y) = (\varphi(\|x\|) + \varphi(\|y\|))z_0 \tag{2.34}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . So, we have

$$\Phi(k^{-1}x, k^{-1}y) = \varphi(k^{-1})\Phi(x, y), \quad (2.35)$$

where  $\varphi(k^{-1}) = \varphi(k)^{-1} < k^{-1}$ . It follows from (1) that  $\varphi(k^{-n}) = (\varphi(k))^{-n}$ . By using Theorem 2.2, we can get (2.32). Now, we show that  $T_k = T_2$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $x/2^n$  in (2.32), we get

$$N\left(T_k\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right), t\right) \geq N'\left(\varphi\left(\left\|\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)\right\|\right)_{z_0}, \frac{\varphi(k) - k}{\sigma_k(\varphi)}t\right). \quad (2.36)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we have

$$N\left(T_k(x) - 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right), t\right) \geq N'\left(\varphi(\|x\|)_{z_0}, \frac{\varphi(k) - k}{2^n \sigma_k(\varphi) \varphi(2^{-n})}t\right). \quad (2.37)$$

Using (2) and passing the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.37), we get  $T_k = T_2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $X$  be a normed space, let  $p$  be a nonnegative real number such that  $p \neq 1$ , and let  $H : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a homogeneous function of degree  $p$ . Suppose that  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'(H(\|x\|, \|y\|)_{z_0}, t) \quad (2.38)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $z_0$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq M_k(x, |k^p - k|t), \quad (2.39)$$

where  $M_k(x, t) := \min\{N'(\|x\|^p H(1, i)_{z_0}, t) : 1 \leq i < k\}$ .

*Proof.* The proof follows from Theorems 2.1 and 2.2.  $\square$

For the particular cases  $H(x, y) = \theta(x^p + y^p)$ ,  $H(x, y) = x^r y^s$ ,  $H(x, y) = x^r y^s + x^{r+s} + y^{r+s}$  ( $r+s = p$ ), and  $H(x, y) = \min\{x^p, y^p\}$ , we have the following corollaries.

**Corollary 2.6.** Let  $X$  be a normed space, let  $p$  be a nonnegative real number such that  $p \neq 1$ . Suppose that  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'((\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)\theta, t) \quad (2.40)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $\theta$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N'\left(\|x\|^p \theta, \frac{|k^p - k|}{1 + (k-1)^p}t\right). \quad (2.41)$$

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $X$  be a normed space,  $r, s$  be non-negative real numbers such that  $p := r + s \neq 1$ . Suppose that  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'(\|x\|^r \|y\|^s \theta, t) \tag{2.42}$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $\theta$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that*

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N' \left( \|x\|^p \theta, \frac{|k^p - k|}{(k-1)^s} t \right). \tag{2.43}$$

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $X$  be a normed space, and let  $r, s$  be nonnegative real numbers such that  $p := r + s \neq 1$ . Suppose that  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N' \left( \theta \|x\|^r \|y\|^s + \theta \|x\|^{r+s} + \theta \|y\|^{r+s}, t \right) \tag{2.44}$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $\theta$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that*

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N' \left( \|x\|^p \theta, \frac{|k^p - k|}{(k-1)^s + (k-1)^p + 1} t \right). \tag{2.45}$$

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $X$  be a normed space, let  $p$  be a nonnegative real number such that  $p \neq 1$ . Suppose that  $(Z, N')$  be a fuzzy normed space and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be mapping such that*

$$N(Df(x, y), t) \geq N'(\min\{\|x\|^p, \|y\|^p\} \theta, t) \tag{2.46}$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$  and all positive real number  $t$ , where  $\theta$  is a fixed vector of  $Z$ . Then, there exists a unique additive mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow Y$  such that*

$$N(T_k(x) - f(x), t) \geq N'(\|x\|^p \theta, |k^p - k|t). \tag{2.47}$$

*Problem 1.* Whether Theorem 2.5 and/or such Corollaries can be proved for  $p = 1$ ?

*Problem 2.* What is the best possible value of  $k$  in Corollaries 2.6 and 2.7?

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