

**STABILITY OF A MIXED ADDITIVE AND  
QUADRATIC FUNCTIONAL EQUATION IN  
NON-ARCHIMEDEAN BANACH MODULES**

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**Abstract.** In this paper we establish the general solution of mixed additive and quadratic functional equation

$$f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) + 8f(y) = 2f(x) + 4f(2y)$$

and investigate the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of this equation in non-Archimedean Banach modules over a unital Banach algebra.

1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

In 1940, S.M. Ulam [25] asked the first question on the stability problem. In 1941, D. H. Hyers [10] solved the problem of Ulam. This result was generalized by Aoki [4] for additive mappings and by Rassias [23] for linear mappings by considering an *unbounded Cauchy difference*. The paper of Rassias [23] has provided a lot of influence in the development of what we now call Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of functional equations. Since then, several stability problems for various functional equations have been investigated by numerous mathematicians; cf. e.g. [6, 11] and the bibliography quoted there. The functional equation

$$(1.1) \quad f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y)$$

is related to a symmetric bi-additive function [15]. It is natural that such equation is called a quadratic functional equation. In particular, every solution of the quadratic equation (1.1) is said to be a quadratic function. It is well known that a function  $f$

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between real vector spaces is quadratic if and only if there exists a unique symmetric biadditive function  $B$  such that  $f(x) = B(x, x)$  for all  $x$  (see [15]). The biadditive function  $B$  is given by

$$(1.2) \quad B(x, y) = \frac{1}{4} \left( f(x+y) - f(x-y) \right).$$

A Hyers-Ulam stability problem for the quadratic functional equation (1.1) was proved by Skof for functions  $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ , where  $E_1$  is a normed space and  $E_2$  a Banach space (see [24]). Cholewa [5] noticed that the theorem of Skof is still true if the relevant domain  $E_1$  is replaced by an Abelian group. In [7], Czerwik proved the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the quadratic functional equation (1.1). Grabiec in [9] has generalized the above mentioned results. Jun and Lee [13] proved the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the pexiderized quadratic equation (1.1). Moslehian [18] and Mirzavazir [18] have investigated the orthogonal stability of the pexiderized quadratic equation (1.1).

By a non-Archimedean field we mean a field  $K$  equipped with a function (valuation)  $|\cdot|$  from  $K$  into  $[0, \infty)$  such that  $|r| = 0$  if and only if  $r = 0$ ,  $|rs| = |r||s|$ , and  $|r+s| \leq \max\{|r|, |s|\}$  for all  $r, s \in K$ . Clearly  $|1| = |-1| = 1$  and  $|n| \leq 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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

- (i)  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $\|rx\| = |r| \|x\|$  ( $r \in K, x \in X$ );
- (iii) the strong triangle inequality; namely,

$$\|x+y\| \leq \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\} \quad (x, y \in X)$$

Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a non-Archimedean space. For nontrivial example of non-Archimedean space we refer to [17]. Due to the fact that

$$\|x_n - x_m\| \leq \max\{\|x_{j+1} - x_j\| : m \leq j \leq n-1\} \quad (n > m)$$

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

In [17] Moslehian and Rassias have solved the stability problem for Cauchy and quadratic functional equations in non-Archimedean normed spaces. Stability of two types of cubic functional equations in non-Archimedean spaces have been investigated in [19]. In this context we refer to Arriola and Beyer [3] and Kaiser [14].

G. Z. Eskandani [8] has investigated the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the following functional equation

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

( $m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq 2$ ) in quasi-Banach spaces. (See also [21, 22])

In this paper, using extensively the ideas and terminology of [17], we deal with the following functional equation deriving from additive and quadratic functions:

$$(1.3) \quad f(x+2y) + f(x-2y) + 8f(y) = 2f(x) + 4f(2y)$$

It is easy to see that the function  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx$  is a solution of the functional equation (1.3). The main purpose of this paper is to establish the general solution of Eq. (1.3) and investigate the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability for Eq. (1.3) in non-Archimedean Banach modules over a unital Banach algebra.

## 2. SOLUTIONS OF EQ. (1.3)

Throughout this section,  $X$  and  $Y$  will be real vector spaces. Before proceeding the proof of Theorem (2.3) which is the main result in this section, we shall need the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *If an odd function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (1.3) for all  $x, y \in X$ , then the mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is additive.*

*Proof.* Let an odd function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfy the functional equation (1.3) for all  $x, y \in X$ . Setting  $x = 0$  in (1.3), we get

$$(2.1) \quad f(2y) = 2f(y)$$

for all  $y \in X$ . Therefore we have

$$(2.2) \quad f(x+2y) + f(x-2y) = 2f(x)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Replace  $x$  by  $2x$  in (2.2), we get

$$(2.3) \quad f(x+y) + f(x-y) = 2f(x)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Replace  $x$  and  $y$  by  $y$  and  $x$  in (2.3), respectively, we get

$$(2.4) \quad f(x+y) - f(x-y) = 2f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Adding (2.3) to (2.4), we get

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

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore the function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is additive. ■

**Lemma 2.2.** *If an even function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (1.3) for all  $x, y \in X$ , then the mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is quadratic.*

*Proof.* Let an even function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfy the functional equation (1.3) for all  $x, y \in X$ . Putting  $x = y = 0$  in (1.3), we get  $f(0) = 0$ . Setting  $x = 0$  in (1.3), we get

$$(2.5) \quad f(2y) = 4f(y)$$

for all  $y \in X$ . Therefore we have

$$(2.6) \quad f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) = 2f(x) + 8f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Replace  $x$  by  $2x$  in (2.6), we get

$$(2.7) \quad f(x + y) + f(x - y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore the function  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is quadratic. ■

**Theorem 2.3.** *A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (1.3) for all  $x, y \in X$  if and only if there exists a symmetric bi-additive function  $B : X \times X \rightarrow Y$  and an additive function  $A : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f(x) = B(x, x) + A(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* If there exists a symmetric bi-additive function  $B : X \times X \rightarrow Y$  and an additive function  $A : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f(x) = B(x, x) + A(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , Then by a simple computation one can show that the functions  $B$  and  $A$  satisfy the functional equation (1.3). So the function  $f$  satisfies the equation (1.3).

Conversely, we decompose  $f$  into the even part and odd part by putting

$$f_e(x) = \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad f_o(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . It is clear that  $f(x) = f_e(x) + f_o(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . It is easy to show that the functions  $f_e$  and  $f_o$  satisfy (1.3). Hence by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2 we achieve that the functions  $f_e$  and  $f_o$  are quadratic and additive, respectively. Therefore there exists a symmetric bi-additive function  $B : X \times X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f_e(x) = B(x, x)$  for all  $x \in X$  (see [1]). So

$$f(x) = B(x, x) + A(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where  $A(x) = f_o(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . ■

## 3. HYERS-ULAM-RASSIAS STABILITY OF EQ. (1.3)

Throughout this section, let  $B$  be a unital Banach algebra with norm  $|\cdot|$  and let  ${}_B X$  be left Banach  $B$ -module with norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and  ${}_B Y$  be non-Archimedean left Banach  $B$ -module with norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . In this section, we prove the stability of Eq. (1.3) in the spirit of Hyers, Ulam and Rassias. For convenience, we use the following abbreviations for a given function  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  :

$$\begin{aligned} D_a f(x, y) &:= f(ax + 2ay) + f(ax - 2ay) + 8f(ay) - 2af(x) - 4af(2y) \\ \Delta_a f(x, y) &:= f(ax + 2ay) + f(ax - 2ay) + 8f(ay) - 2a^2 f(x) - 4a^2 f(2y) \\ M_a f(x, y) &:= f(ax + 2ay) + f(ax - 2ay) + 8f(ay) \\ &\quad - (a^2 + a)f(x) - (a^2 - a)f(-x) - 2(a^2 + a)f(2y) - 2(a^2 - a)f(-2y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\varphi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping such that*

$$(3.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|2|^n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and

$$(3.2) \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x) := \sup \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|2|^j} : j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Suppose that an odd mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$(3.3) \quad \|D_a f(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad \|f(x) - A(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|8|} \tilde{\varphi}(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Putting  $x = 0$  and  $a = 1$  in (3.3), we get

$$(3.5) \quad \|f(2y) - 2f(y)\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|} \varphi(0, y)$$

for all  $y \in {}_B X$ . Replacing  $y$  by  $2^n x$  in (3.5) and dividing both sides of (3.5) by  $|2|^{n+1}$ , we get

$$(3.6) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{|2|^{n+1}} f(2^{n+1}x) - \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|^{n+3}} \varphi(0, 2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore, we conclude from (3.1) and (3.6) that the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Since  ${}_B Y$  is complete the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) \right\}$  converges in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So one can define the mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  by

$$(3.7) \quad A(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Using induction one can show that

$$(3.8) \quad \left\| \frac{f(2^n x)}{|2|^n} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|8|} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|2|^j} : 0 \leq j < n \right\}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $x \in {}_B X$ . By taking  $n$  to approach infinity in (3.8) and using (3.2) and (3.7) one obtains (3.4). Now, we show that  $A$  is an additive mapping. It follows from (3.1), (3.3) and (3.7) that

$$\|D_1 A(x, y)\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|2|^n} \|D_1 f(2^n x, 2^n y)\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|2|^n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$ . Hence, the mapping  $A$  satisfies (1.3). So by Lemma (2.1) the mapping  $A$  is additive. Replacing  $y$  by 0 in (3.3), we get

$$(3.9) \quad \|f(ax) - af(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \varphi(x, 0)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $2^n x$  in (3.9) and dividing both sides of (3.9) by  $|2|^n$ , we get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n ax) - \frac{a}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|^{n+1}} \varphi(2^n x, 0)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ ,  $a \in B_1$  and for all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore

$$\left\| \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n ax) - \frac{a}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ ,  $a \in B$ . Hence

$$A(ax) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|2|^n} f(2^n ax) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a}{|2|^n} f(2^n x) = aA(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ .

To prove the uniqueness of  $A$ , let  $T : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  be another additive mapping satisfying (3.4). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|A(x) - T(x)\| &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{-k} \|A(2^k x) - T(2^k x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |2|^{-k} \max \{ \|A(2^k x) - f(2^k x)\|, \|T(2^k x) - f(2^k x)\| \} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|8|} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|2|^j} : k \leq j < n + k \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{|8|} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|2|^j} : k \leq j < \infty \right\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So  $A = T$ . ■

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\Phi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping such that

$$(3.10) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |2|^n \Phi\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and

$$(3.11) \quad \tilde{\Phi}(x) := \sup \left\{ |2|^j \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) : j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Suppose that an odd mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|D_a f(x, y)\| \leq \Phi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.12) \quad \|f(x) - A(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|} \tilde{\Phi}(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1, we have

$$(3.13) \quad \|f(2y) - 2f(y)\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|} \Phi(0, y)$$

for all  $y \in {}_B X$ . Replacing  $y$  by  $\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}$  in (3.13) and multiplying both sides of (3.13) to  $|2|^n$ , we get

$$(3.14) \quad \left\| 2^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) - 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \leq |2|^{n-2} \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore, we conclude from (3.10) and (3.14) that the sequence  $\{2^n f(x/2^n)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Since  ${}_B Y$  is complete the sequence  $\{2^n f(x/2^n)\}$  converges in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So one can define the mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  by

$$(3.15) \quad A(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Using induction one can show that

$$(3.16) \quad \left\| 2^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|} \max \left\{ |2|^j \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) : 0 \leq j < n \right\}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and all  $x \in H$ . By taking  $n$  to approach infinity in (3.16) and using (3.11) and (3.15) one obtains (3.12). The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1.  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $r, s \neq 1$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that an odd mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality*

$$\|D_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^s)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$\|f(x) - A(x)\| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{\theta\|x\|^s}{|8|} & (r, s > 1) \\ \frac{\theta\|x\|^s}{|2|^{s+2}} & (r, s < 1) \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $r + s \neq 1$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that an odd function  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality*

$$\|D_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta\|x\|^r\|y\|^s$$

for all  $a \in B$  and  $x, y \in {}_B X$ . Then  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  is an additive mapping satisfying  $f(ax) = af(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $\varphi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping such that*

$$(3.17) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(2^n x, 2^n y)}{|4|^n} = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and

$$(3.18) \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x) := \sup \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|4|^j} : j \in N \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Suppose that an even mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  with  $f(0) = 0$  satisfies the inequality

$$(3.19) \quad \|\Delta_a f(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $Q(ax) = a^2 Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.20) \quad \|f(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|8|} \tilde{\varphi}(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Putting  $x = 0, a = 1$  in (3.19), we get

$$(3.21) \quad \|f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \varphi(0, y)$$

for all  $y \in {}_B X$ . Replacing  $y$  by  $2^n x$  in (3.21) and dividing both sides of (3.21) by  $|4|^{n+1}$ , we get

$$(3.22) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{|4|^{n+1}} f(2^{n+1}x) - \frac{1}{|4|^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|^{2n+3}} \varphi(0, 2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore, we conclude from (3.17) and (3.22) that the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{1}{|4|^n} f(2^n x) \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Since  ${}_B Y$  is complete the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{1}{|4|^n} f(2^n x) \right\}$  converges for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So one can define the mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  by:

$$(3.23) \quad Q(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|4|^n} f(2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Using induction one can show that

$$(3.24) \quad \left\| \frac{f(2^n x)}{|4|^n} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|8|} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|4|^j} : 0 \leq j < n \right\}$$

for all  $n \in N$  and all  $x \in {}_B X$ . By taking  $n$  to approach infinity in (3.24) and using (3.18) and (3.23) one obtains (3.20).

Now, we show that the mapping  $Q$  is quadratic. It follows from (3.17), (3.19) and (3.23) that

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Delta_1 Q(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|4|^n} \|\Delta_1 f(2^n x, 2^n y)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|4|^n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$ . So the mapping  $Q$  satisfies (1.3), hence by Lemma 2.2, the mapping  $Q$  is quadratic. Replacing  $y = 0$  in (3.19), we have

$$(3.25) \quad \|f(ax) - a^2 f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \varphi(x, 0)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $2^n x$  in (3.25) and dividing both sides of (3.25) by  $|4|^n$ , we get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{4^n} f(2^n ax) - \frac{a^2}{4^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|^{2n+1}} \varphi(2^n x, 0)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ ,  $a \in B$  and for all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore

$$\left\| \frac{1}{4^n} f(2^n ax) - \frac{a^2}{4^n} f(2^n x) \right\| \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ ,  $a \in B_1$ . Hence

$$Q(ax) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4^n} f(2^n ax) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4^n} a^2 f(2^n x) = a^2 Q(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ ,  $a \in B$ . To prove the uniqueness of  $Q$ , let  $T : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B X$  be another quadratic mapping satisfying (3.20). So it follows from (3.20) and (3.23) that

$$\begin{aligned}\|Q(x) - T(x)\| &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |4|^{-k} \|Q(2^k x) - T(2^k x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |4|^{-k} \max \{ \|Q(2^k x) - f(2^k x)\|, \|T(2^k x) - f(2^k x)\| \} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|8|} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|4|^j} : k \leq j < n+k \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|8|} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|4|^j} : k \leq j < \infty \right\} = 0\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So  $Q = T$ . ■

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $\Phi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping such that

$$(3.26) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |4|^n \Phi\left(\frac{x}{2^n}, \frac{y}{2^n}\right) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and

$$(3.27) \quad \tilde{\Phi}(x) := \sup \left\{ |4|^j \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) : j \in N \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Suppose that an even mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  with  $f(0) = 0$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|\Delta_a f(x, y)\| \leq \Phi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $Q(ax) = a^2 Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.28) \quad \|f(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \tilde{\Phi}(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.5, we have

$$(3.29) \quad \|f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \Phi(0, y)$$

for all  $y \in {}_B X$ . Replacing  $y$  by  $\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}$  in (3.29) and multiplying both sides of (3.29) to  $|4|^n$ , we get

$$(3.30) \quad \left\| 4^{n+1} f\left(\frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right) - 4^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \leq |2|^{2n-1} \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{n+1}}\right)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and all non-negative integers  $n$ . Therefore we conclude from (3.26) and (3.30) that the sequence  $\{4^n f(x/2^n)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Since  ${}_B Y$  is complete the sequence  $\{4^n f(x/2^n)\}$  converges in  ${}_B Y$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . So one can define the mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  by

$$(3.31) \quad Q(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Using induction one can show that

$$(3.32) \quad \left\| 4^n f\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \max \left\{ |4|^j \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) : 0 \leq j < n \right\}$$

for all  $n \in N$  and all  $x \in {}_B X$ . By taking  $n$  to approach infinity in (3.32) and using (3.27) and (3.31) one obtains (3.28). The rest of the proof is similar to Theorem 3.5.  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $r, s \neq 2$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that an even mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|\Delta_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^s)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $Q(ax) = a^2 Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$\|f(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{\theta\|x\|^s}{|8|} & (r, s > 2) \\ \frac{\theta\|x\|^s}{|2|^{s+1}} & (r, s < 2) \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $r + s \neq 2$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that an even mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|\Delta_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta\|x\|^r\|y\|^s$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  is a quadratic mapping satisfying  $f(ax) = a^2 f(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ .

We now prove our main theorem in this section.

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $\varphi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping satisfying (3.17) for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$ , and let

$$(3.33) \quad \tilde{\psi}_m(x) := \sup \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 2^j x)}{|m|^j} + \frac{\varphi(0, -2^j x)}{|m|^j} : j \in N \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $m \in \{2, 4\}$ . Suppose that a mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  with  $f(0) = 0$  satisfies the inequality

$$(3.34) \quad \|M_a f(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  and a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$ ,  $Q(ax) = a^2 Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.35) \quad \|f(x) - A(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|16|} \max \{ \tilde{\psi}_2(x), \tilde{\psi}_4(x) \}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f_e(x) = \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2}$  and  $f_o(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}$ , then  $f_e(-x) = f_e(x)$  and  $f_o(-x) = -f_o(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Let

$$(3.36) \quad \psi(x, y) := \frac{1}{|2|} [\varphi(x, y) + \varphi(-x, -y)]$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$ . By using (3.34) and (3.36), we have

$$\|\Delta_a f_e(x, y)\| = \|M_a f_e(x, y)\| \leq \psi(x, y)$$

$$\|D_a f_o(x, y)\| = \|M_a f_o(x, y)\| \leq \psi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Hence, the result follows by using Theorems 3.1 and 3.5 for  $\psi$  instead of  $\varphi$ . ■

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $\Phi : {}_B X \times {}_B X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping satisfying (3.10) for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$ , and let

$$(3.37) \quad \tilde{\Psi}_m(x) := \sup \left\{ |m|^j \Phi\left(0, \frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) + |m|^j \Phi\left(0, -\frac{x}{2^{j+1}}\right) : j \in N \cup \{0\} \right\}$$

exists for all  $x \in {}_B X$ . Suppose that a mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  with  $f(0) = 0$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|M_a f(x, y)\| \leq \Phi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  and a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$ ,  $Q(ax) = a^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$(3.38) \quad \|f(x) - A(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|8|} \max \{ \tilde{\Psi}_2(x), \tilde{\Psi}_4(x) \}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

*Proof.* Similar to Theorem 3.9, the results can be obtained by using Theorems 3.2 and 3.6. ■

**Corollary 3.11.** Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $(r, s < 1)$  or  $(r, s > 2)$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that a mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|M_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^r + \|y\|^s)$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  and a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying

$A(ax) = aA(x)$ ,  $Q(ax) = a^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$\|f(x) - A(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2\theta\|x\|^s}{|16|} & (r, s > 2) \\ \frac{2\theta\|x\|^s}{|2|^{s+3}} & (r, s < 1) \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

**Corollary 3.12.** Let  $\theta, r, s$  be positive real numbers such that  $(r + s < 1)$  or  $(r + s > 2)$  and  $|2| < 1$ . Suppose that a mapping  $f : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|M_a f(x, y)\| \leq \theta\|x\|^r\|y\|^s$$

for all  $x, y \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $A : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  and a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : {}_B X \rightarrow {}_B Y$  satisfying  $A(ax) = aA(x)$ ,  $Q(ax) = a^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in {}_B X$  and  $a \in B$  such that

$$f(x) = A(x) + Q(x)$$

for all  $x \in {}_B X$ .

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