

GENERAL SOLUTION AND ULAM STABILITY OF GENERALIZED CQ FUNCTIONAL EQUATION

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce the following cubic-quartic functional equation of the form

$$f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) = 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \pm 30f(-x) + \frac{5}{2}[f(4y) - 64f(y)].$$

Further, we investigate the general solution and the Ulam stability for the above functional equation in non-Archimedean spaces by using the direct method.

1. Introduction

Jun and Kim [7] introduced the following cubic functional equation

$$(1.1) \quad f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) = 2f(x + y) + 2f(x - y) + 12f(x)$$

and they established the general solution and the Ulam stability for the functional equation (1.1). The function $f(x) = x^3$ satisfies the functional equation (1.1), which is thus called a cubic functional equation. Every solution of the cubic functional equation is said to be a cubic mapping. Now we introduce the cubic functional equation and quartic functional equation

$$(1.2) \quad f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) = 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] + 30f(-x) + \frac{5}{2}[f(4y) - 64f(y)]$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y) = 4f(x + y) + 4f(x - y) + 24f(y) - 6f(x).$$

It is easy to see that the function $f(x) = x^4$ is a solution of the functional equation (1.3). Thus, it is natural that (1.3) is called a quartic functional equation and every solution of the quartic functional equation is said to be a quartic mapping.

In this section, we introduce the cubic-quartic functional equation of the form

$$(1.4) \quad f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) = 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \pm 30f(-x) + \frac{5}{2}[f(4y) - 64f(y)]$$

Further, we investigate the general solution and the Ulam stability for the functional equation (1.4).

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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 $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let X be a vector space over a scalar field K with a non-Archimedean nontrivial valuation $|\cdot|$. A function $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow K$ is a non-Archimedean norm (valuation) if it satisfies the following conditions:

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

$$\|x + y\| \leq \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called a non-Archimedean space.

Due to the fact that

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

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. Furthermore, some of the research papers related to non-Archimedean spaces are very useful to develop this article such as [1–4, 10, 15] and some of the other papers are used to build this section (see [5, 6, 8, 9, 11–14, 16]).

2. General solution for the cubic-quartic functional equation (1.4)

In this section, we find out the general solution of the cubic-quartic functional equation (1.4).

THEOREM 2.1. *If a mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.2), then the mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.1).*

Proof. Putting $x = y = 0$ in (1.2), we get $f(0) = 0$. Setting $y = 0$ in (1.2), we obtain $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Hence f is odd. Replacing (x, y) by $(0, x)$ in (1.2) we get

$$(2.5) \quad f(4x) = 64f(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. So

$$(2.6) \quad f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) = 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] - 30f(x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $4x$ in (2.6), we obtain

$$(2.7) \quad f(4x + 4y) + f(4x - 4y) = 16[f(4x + y) + f(4x - y)] - 30f(4x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It follows from (2.5) and (2.7) that

$$(2.8) \quad f(4x + y) + f(4x - y) = 4[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] + 120f(4x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $x + y$ in (2.6), we obtain

$$(2.9) \quad f(x + 5y) + f(x - 3y) = 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x)] - 30f(x + y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $x - y$ in (2.6), we obtain

$$(2.10) \quad f(x - 5y) + f(x + 3y) = 16[f(x - 2y) + f(x)] - 30f(x - y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Adding (2.9) and (2.10), we get

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(x + 5y) + f(x - 3y) + f(x - 5y) + f(x + 3y) \\ &= 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y)] + 32f(x) - 30[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Further replacing y by $x + y$ in (2.6), we obtain

$$(2.12) \quad f(5x + 4y) + f(-3x - 4y) = 16[f(2x + y) - f(y)] - 30f(x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and replacing y by $-x + y$ in (2.6), we get

$$(2.13) \quad f(-3x + 4y) + f(5x - 4y) = 16[f(y) - f(2x - y)] - 30f(x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Adding (2.12) and (2.13), we get

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(5x + 4y) + f(5x - 4y) + f(-3x + 4y) + f(-3x - 4y) \\ & = 16[f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] - 60f(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Interchanging x by y in (2.14), we get

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(4x + 5y) + f(-4x + 5y) + f(4x - 3y) + f(-4x - 3y) \\ & = 16[f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y)] - 60f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Simplifying (2.15) and using oddness, we have

$$(2.16) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(4x + 5y) - f(4x - 5y) + f(4x - 3y) - f(4x + 3y) \\ & = 16[f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y)] - 60f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It follows from (2.9) and (2.10) that

$$(2.17) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(x + 5y) - f(x - 5y) + f(x - 3y) - f(x + 3y) \\ & = 16[f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y)] - 30[f(x + y) - f(x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $4x$ in (2.17), we obtain

$$(2.18) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(4x + 5y) - f(4x - 5y) + f(4x - 3y) - f(4x + 3y) \\ & = 16[f(4x + 2y) - f(4x - 2y)] - 30[f(4x + y) - f(4x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. By comparing (2.16) and (2.18), we obtain

$$(2.19) \quad \begin{aligned} & 16[f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y) - 60f(x - 2y)] \\ & = 16[f(4x + 2y) - f(4x - 2y)] - 30[f(4x + y) - f(4x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Now by interchanging x and y in (2.19), we get

$$(2.20) \quad \begin{aligned} & 16[f(2x + y) - f(2x - y) - 60f(x)] \\ & = 16[f(2x + 4y) + f(2x - 4y)] - 30[f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It follows from (2.6) and (2.20) that

$$(2.21) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) \\ & = [f(2x + 4y) + f(2x - 4y)] - 30[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] + 60f(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Simplifying (2.21), we obtain

$$(2.22) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(2x + 4y) + f(2x - 4y) \\ & = [f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] + 30[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] - 60f(x) \end{aligned}$$

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

$$(2.23) \quad f(2x + 4y) + f(2x - 4y) = 16[f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] - 2400f(x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. From (2.22) and (2.23), we get the desired equation (1.1). \square

THEOREM 2.2. *If an even mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.4), then the mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ satisfies the functional equation (1.3).*

Proof. Putting $x = y = 0$ in (1.4), we get $f(0) = 0$. Replacing (x, y) by $(0, x)$ in (1.4) and using the evenness of f , we get

$$(2.24) \quad f(4x) = 256f(x)$$

for all $x \in X$. It follows from (2.24) and (1.4) that

$$(2.25) \quad f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) = 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] - 30f(x) + 480f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $2x$ in (2.25), we have

$$(2.26) \quad f(2x + 4y) + f(2x - 4y) = 16[f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] - 480f(x) + 480f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $x + y$ in (2.25), we obtain

$$(2.27) \quad f(x + 5y) + f(x - 3y) = 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x)] - 30f(x + y) + 480f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $x - y$ in (2.25), we obtain

$$(2.28) \quad f(x - 5y) + f(x + 3y) = 16[f(x - 2y) + f(x)] - 30f(x - y) + 480f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Adding (2.27) and (2.28), we get

$$(2.29) \quad \begin{aligned} f(x + 5y) + f(x - 3y) + f(x - 5y) + f(x + 3y) \\ = 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y)] + 32f(x) - 30[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] + 960f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing x by $4x$ in (2.29), we get

$$(2.30) \quad \begin{aligned} f(4x + 5y) + f(4x - 3y) + f(4x - 5y) + f(4x + 3y) \\ = 16[f(4x + 2y) + f(4x - 2y)] + 32f(4x) - 30[f(4x + y) + f(4x - y)] + 960f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing y by $x + y$ in (2.25), we obtain

$$(2.31) \quad f(5x + 4y) + f(-3x - 4y) = 16[f(2x + y) - f(y)] - 30f(x) + 480f(x + y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Replacing y by $x - y$ in (2.25), we have

$$(2.32) \quad f(5x - 4y) + f(-3x + 4y) = 16[f(2x - y) + f(y)] - 30f(x) + 480f(x - y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Adding (2.31) and (2.32), we obtain

$$(2.33) \quad \begin{aligned} f(5x + 4y) + f(-3x - 4y) + f(5x - 4y) + f(-3x + 4y) \\ = 16[f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Interchanging x by y in (2.33) we get

$$(2.34) \quad \begin{aligned} f(4x + 5y) + f(4x + 3y) + f(4x - 5y) + f(4x - 3y) \\ = 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y)] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It follows from (2.30) and (2.34) that

$$(2.35) \quad \begin{aligned} 16[f(4x + 2y) + f(4x - 2y)] + 32f(4x) - 60[f(4x + y) + f(4x - y)] + 960f(y) \\ = 16[f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y)] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Simplifying (2.35), we have

$$(2.36) \quad \begin{aligned} f(4x + 2y) + f(4x - 2y) - 60[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] - [f(x + 2y) + f(x - 2y)] \\ = 774f(x) - 120f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Interchanging x by y in (2.26), we have

$$(2.37) \quad f(4x + 2y) - f(4x - 2y) = 16[f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y)] - 480f(y) + 480f(x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It follows from (2.37) and (2.36) that

$$(2.38) \quad \begin{aligned} &16[f(x+2y) - f(x-2y)] - 480f(y) + 480f(x) - 60[f(x+y) + f(x-y)] \\ &- [f(x+2y) - f(x-2y)] = 774f(x) - 120f(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Simplifying (2.38), we get

$$(2.39) \quad 15[f(x+2y) + f(x-2y)] - 60[f(x+y) + f(x-y)] = -90f(x) + 360f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Dividing (2.39) by 15, we get the required equation (1.3). □

3. Stability of the cubic functional equation (1.2)

In this section, assume that G is an additive group and X is a complete non-Archimedean normed space. Now before taking up the main subject, for a given mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$, we define the difference operator

$$Df(x, y) = f(x+4y) + f(x-4y) - 16[f(x+y) + f(x-y)] + 30f(-x) - \frac{5}{2}[f(4y) - 64f(y)]$$

for all $x, y \in G$. We consider the following function inequality

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for an upper bound $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

THEOREM 3.1. *Let $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function such that*

$$(3.40) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{3n}} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$ and let for each $x \in G$ the following limit exists

$$(3.41) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : 0 \leq j < n \right\},$$

which is denoted by $\varphi_C(x)$. Suppose that $f : G \rightarrow X$ is an odd mapping satisfying

$$(3.42) \quad \|Df(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Then there exists a cubic mapping $C : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(3.43) \quad \|C(x) - f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|^3} \varphi_C(x)$$

for all $x \in G$, and if, in addition,

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} = 0$$

then C is the unique cubic mapping satisfying (3.43).

Proof. Replacing (x, y) by $(0, x)$ in (3.42), we get

$$(3.44) \quad \|f(4x) - 64f(x)\| \leq \varphi(0, x)$$

for all $x \in G$. It follows from (3.44) that

$$(3.45) \quad \left\| \frac{f(4x)}{4^3} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{\varphi(0, x)}{4^3}$$

for all $x \in G$. Replacing x by $2^{2(n-1)}x$ in (3.45), we get

$$(3.46) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{4^{3n}} f(4^n x) - \frac{1}{4^{3(n-1)}} f(4^{n-1} x) \right\| \leq \frac{\varphi(0, 4^{n-1} x)}{|4^{3n}|}$$

for all $x \in G$. It follows from (3.46) and (3.40) that the sequence $\left\{ \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{3n}} \right\}$ is Cauchy. Since X is complete, we conclude that $\left\{ \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{3n}} \right\}$ is convergent. Set $C(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{3n}}$. Using induction, one can show that

$$(3.47) \quad \left\| \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{3n}} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|^3} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^i x)}{|4|^{3i}} : 0 \leq i < n \right\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $x \in G$. By taking n to approach infinity in (3.47) and using (3.41) one obtains (3.43). By (3.40) and (3.42), we get

$$\|DC(x, y)\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|4^{3n}|} \|f(4^n x, 4^n y)\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{3n}} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Therefore the mapping $C : G \rightarrow X$ satisfies (1.2).

To prove the uniqueness property of C , let D be another cubic mapping satisfying (3.43). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|C(x) - D(x)\| &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} |4|^{-3i} \|C(4^i x) - D(4^i x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} |4|^{-3i} \max \{ \|C(4^i x) - f(4^i x)\|, \|f(4^i x) - D(4^i x)\| \} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|4|^3} \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in G$. If

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} = 0,$$

then $C = D$, and the proof is complete. □

4. Stability of the quartic functional equation (1.4)

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$$Df(x, y) = f(x + 4y) + f(x - 4y) - 16[f(x + y) + f(x - y)] - 30f(-x) - \frac{5}{2}[f(4y) - 64f(y)]$$

for all $x, y \in G$. We consider the following function inequality

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for an upper bound $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function such that*

$$(4.48) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{4n}} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$ and let for each $x \in G$ the following limit exists

$$(4.49) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{4j}} : 0 \leq j < n \right\},$$

which is denoted by $\varphi_Q(x)$. Suppose that $f : G \rightarrow X$ is an even mapping satisfying

$$(4.50) \quad \|Df(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Then there exists a quartic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(4.51) \quad \|Q(x) - f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|^4} \varphi_Q(x)$$

for all $x \in G$, and if, in addition,

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{4j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} = 0$$

then Q is the unique quartic mapping satisfying (4.51).

Proof. Replacing (x, y) by $(0, x)$ in (4.50), we get

$$(4.52) \quad \|f(4x) - 256f(x)\| \leq \varphi(0, x)$$

for all $x \in G$. It follows from (4.52) that

$$(4.53) \quad \left\| \frac{f(4x)}{4^4} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{\varphi(0, x)}{4^4}$$

for all $x \in G$. Replacing x by $2^{n-1}x$ in (4.53), we get

$$(4.54) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{4^{4n}} f(4^n x) - \frac{1}{4^{4(n-1)}} f(4^{n-1} x) \right\| \leq \frac{\varphi(0, 4^{n-1} x)}{|4^{4n}|}$$

for all $x \in G$. It follows from (4.54) and (4.48) that the sequence $\left\{ \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{4n}} \right\}$ is Cauchy. Since X is complete, we conclude that $\left\{ \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{4n}} \right\}$ is convergent. Set $Q(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{4n}}$. Using induction, one can show that

$$(4.55) \quad \left\| \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{4n}} - f(x) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{|4|^4} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^i x)}{|4|^{4i}} : 0 \leq i < n \right\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $x \in G$. By taking n to approach infinity in (4.55) and using (4.49) one obtains (4.51). By (4.48) and (4.50), we get

$$\|DQ(x, y)\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|4^{4n}|} \|f(4^n x, 4^n y)\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{4n}} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Since f is even, we can easily show that Q is even. Thus the mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ satisfies (1.4). To prove the uniqueness property of Q , let R be another quartic mapping satisfying (4.51). Then

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

for all $x \in G$. If

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{4j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} = 0,$$

then $Q = R$, and the proof is complete. □

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for an upper bound $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

THEOREM 5.1. *Let $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{3n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(4^n x, 4^n y)}{|4|^{4n}} = 0$$

for all $x, y \in G$ and let for each $x \in G$ the following limits exist

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : 0 \leq j < n \right\}, \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{4j}} : 0 \leq j < n \right\}$$

denoted by $\varphi_C(x)$ and denoted by $\varphi_Q(x)$, respectively. Suppose that $f : G \rightarrow X$ is a mapping satisfying

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in G$. Then there exist a cubic mapping $C : G \rightarrow X$ and a quartic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(5.56) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|f(x) - C(x) - Q(x)\| \\ & \leq \max \left\{ \frac{1}{|2||4|^3} \max \{ \varphi_C(x), \varphi_C(-x) \}, \frac{1}{|2||4|^4} \max \{ \varphi_Q(x), \varphi_Q(-x) \} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in G$, and if, in addition,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{3j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\varphi(0, 4^j x)}{|4|^{4j}} : i \leq j < n + i \right\} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

then C is the unique cubic mapping and Q is the unique quartic mapping.

Proof. Let $f_0(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) - f(-x)]$ for all $x \in G$. Then $f_0(0) = 0, f_0(-x) = -f_0(x)$, and

$$\|Df_0(x, y)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2|} \max\{\varphi(x, y), \varphi(-x, -y)\}$$

for all $x, y \in G$. From Theorem 3.1, it follows that there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : G \rightarrow X$ satisfying

$$\|f_0(x) - C(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2||4|^3} \max\{\varphi_C(x), \varphi_C(-x)\}$$

for all $x \in G$. Let $f_e(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) + f(-x)]$ for all $x \in G$. Then $f_e(0) = 0, f_e(-x) = f_e(x)$, and

$$\|Df_e(x, y)\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \max\{\varphi(x, y), \varphi(-x, -y)\}$$

for all $x, y \in G$. From Theorem 4.1, it follows that there exists a unique quartic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ satisfying

$$\|f_e(x) - Q(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{|2||4|^4} \max \{\varphi_Q(x), \varphi_Q(-x)\}$$

for all $x \in G$. Thus we get the desired inequality (5.56) □

6. Conclusion

In this paper, we have introduced the cubic-quartic functional equation (1.4) and we have investigated the general solution and have proved the Ulam stability for the functional equation (1.4) in non-Archimedean spaces by using the direct method.

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