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A functional equation related to inner product spaces in non-Archimedean \mathcal{L} -random normed spaces

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Abstract

In this paper, we prove the stability of a functional equation related to inner product spaces in non-Archimedean \mathcal{L} -random normed spaces.

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1 Introduction

One of the most interesting questions in the theory of functional analysis concerning the Ulam stability problem of functional equations is as follows: When is it true that a mapping satisfying a functional equation approximately must be close to an exact solution of the given functional equation?

The first stability problem concerning group homomorphisms was raised by Ulam [1] in 1940 and affirmatively solved by Hyers [2]. The result of Hyers was generalized by Aoki [3] for approximate additive mappings and by ThM Rassias [4] for approximate linear mappings by allowing the difference Cauchy equation $\|f(x_1 + x_2) - f(x_1) - f(x_2)\|$ to be controlled by $\varepsilon(\|x_1\|^p + \|x_2\|^p)$. In 1994, a generalization of the ThM Rassias' theorem was obtained by Găvruta [5], who replaced $\varepsilon(\|x_1\|^p + \|x_2\|^p)$ by a general control function $\varphi(x_1, x_2)$.

Quadratic functional equations were used to characterize inner product spaces [6]. A square norm on an inner product space satisfies the parallelogram equality $\|x_1 + x_2\|^2 + \|x_1 - x_2\|^2 = 2(\|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2)$. The functional equation

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

is related to a symmetric bi-additive mapping [7, 8]. It is natural that this equation is called a *quadratic functional equation*, and every solution of the quadratic equation (1.1) is said to be a *quadratic mapping*.

It was shown by ThM Rassias [9] that the norm defined over a real vector space X is induced by an inner product if and only if for a fixed integer $n \geq 2$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left\| x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \right\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 - n \left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\|^2$$

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

Let \mathbb{K} be a field. A non-Archimedean absolute value on \mathbb{K} is a function $|\cdot| : \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for any $a, b \in \mathbb{K}$ we have

- (i) $|a| \geq 0$ and equality holds if and only if $a = 0$,
- (ii) $|ab| = |a||b|$,
- (iii) $|a + b| \leq \max\{|a|, |b|\}$.

The condition (iii) is called the strict triangle inequality. By (ii), we have $|1| = |-1| = 1$. Thus, by induction, it follows from (iii) that $|n| \leq 1$ for each integer n . We always assume in addition that $|\cdot|$ is non-trivial, *i.e.*, that there is an $a_0 \in \mathbb{K}$ such that $|a_0| \neq 0, 1$.

Let X be a linear space over a scalar field \mathbb{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:

- (NA1) $\|x\| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$;
- (NA2) $\|rx\| = |r|\|x\|$ for all $r \in \mathbb{K}$ and $x \in X$;
- (NA3) the strong triangle inequality (ultra-metric); namely,

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

Then $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called a non-Archimedean space.

Thanks to the inequality

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

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

In 1897, Hensel [10] introduced a normed space, which does not have the Archimedean property.

During the last three decades, the theory of non-Archimedean spaces has gained the interest of physicists for their research in particular in problems coming from quantum physics, p-adic strings, and superstrings [11]. Although many results in the classical normed space theory have a non-Archimedean counterpart, but their proofs are essentially different and require an entirely new kind of intuition [12–16].

The main objective of this paper is to prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the following functional equation related to inner product spaces:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f\left(x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) - nf\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \tag{1.2}$$

($n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$) in non-Archimedean normed spaces. Interesting new results concerning functional equations related to inner product spaces have recently been obtained by Najati and ThM Rassias [18] as well as for the fuzzy stability of a functional equation related to inner product spaces by Park [19] and Gordji and Khodaei [20]. During the last decades, several stability problems for various functional equations have been investigated by many mathematicians; [21–56].

2 Preliminaries

The theory of random normed spaces (RN-spaces) is important as a generalization of the deterministic result of linear normed spaces and also in the study of random operator equations. The RN-spaces may also provide us the appropriate tools to study the geometry of nuclear physics and have important applications in quantum particle physics. The Hyers-Ulam stability of different functional equations in RN-spaces and fuzzy normed spaces has been recently studied by Alsina [57], Mirmostafae, Mirzavaziri, and Moslehian [58, 59], Miheţ and Radu [60], Miheţ, Saadati, and Vaezpour [61, 62], Baktash *et al.* [63], Najati [64], and Saadati *et al.* [65].

Let $\mathcal{L} = (L, \geq_L)$ be a complete lattice, that is, a partially ordered set in which every non-empty subset admits supremum and infimum and $0_{\mathcal{L}} = \inf L, 1_{\mathcal{L}} = \sup L$. The space of latticetic random distribution functions, denoted by $\Delta_{\mathcal{L}}^+$, is defined as the set of all mappings $F : \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\} \rightarrow L$ such that F is left continuous, non-decreasing on \mathbb{R} and $F(0) = 0_{\mathcal{L}}, F(+\infty) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$.

The subspace $D_{\mathcal{L}}^+ \subseteq \Delta_{\mathcal{L}}^+$ is defined as $D_{\mathcal{L}}^+ = \{F \in \Delta_{\mathcal{L}}^+ : l^-F(+\infty) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, where $l^-f(x)$ denotes the left limit of the function f at the point x . The space $\Delta_{\mathcal{L}}^+$ is partially ordered by the usual point-wise ordering of functions, that is, $F \geq G$ if and only if $F(t) \geq_L G(t)$ for all t in \mathbb{R} . The maximal element for $\Delta_{\mathcal{L}}^+$ in this order is the distribution function given by

$$\varepsilon_0(t) = \begin{cases} 0_{\mathcal{L}}, & \text{if } t \leq 0, \\ 1_{\mathcal{L}}, & \text{if } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

Definition 2.1 [66] A *triangular norm* (t -norm) on L is a mapping $\mathcal{T} : (L)^2 \rightarrow L$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $(\forall x \in L)(\mathcal{T}(x, 1_{\mathcal{L}}) = x)$ (: boundary condition);
- (2) $(\forall (x, y) \in (L)^2)(\mathcal{T}(x, y) = \mathcal{T}(y, x))$ (: commutativity);
- (3) $(\forall (x, y, z) \in (L)^3)(\mathcal{T}(x, \mathcal{T}(y, z)) = \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}(x, y), z))$ (: associativity);
- (4) $(\forall (x, x', y, y') \in (L)^4)(x \leq_L x' \text{ and } y \leq_L y' \implies \mathcal{T}(x, y) \leq_L \mathcal{T}(x', y'))$ (: monotonicity).

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in L converging to $x \in L$ (equipped the order topology). The t -norm \mathcal{T} is called a *continuous t -norm* if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{T}(x_n, y) = \mathcal{T}(x, y),$$

for any $y \in L$.

A t -norm \mathcal{T} can be extended (by associativity) in a unique way to an n -array operation taking for $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in L^n$ the value $\mathcal{T}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ defined by

$$\mathcal{T}_{i=1}^0 x_i = 1, \quad \mathcal{T}_{i=1}^n x_i = \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i, x_n) = \mathcal{T}(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

The t -norm \mathcal{T} can also be extended to a countable operation taking, for any sequence $\{x_n\}$ in L , the value

$$\mathcal{T}_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{T}_{i=1}^n x_i. \tag{2.1}$$

The limit on the right side of (2.1) exists since the sequence $(\mathcal{T}_{i=1}^n x_i)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is non-increasing and bounded from below.

Note that we put $\mathcal{T} = T$ whenever $L = [0, 1]$. If T is a t -norm then, for all $x \in [0, 1]$ and $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $x_T^{(n)}$ is defined by 1 if $n = 0$ and $T(x_T^{(n-1)}, x)$ if $n \geq 1$. A t -norm T is said to be of *Hadžić-type* (we denote by $T \in \mathcal{H}$) if the family $(x_T^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is equi-continuous at $x = 1$ (see [67]).

Definition 2.2 [66] A continuous t -norm \mathcal{T} on $L = [0, 1]^2$ is said to be *continuous t -representable* if there exist a continuous t -norm $*$ and a continuous t -co-norm \diamond on $[0, 1]$ such that, for all $x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in L$,

$$\mathcal{T}(x, y) = (x_1 * y_1, x_2 \diamond y_2).$$

For example,

$$\mathcal{T}(a, b) = (a_1 b_1, \min\{a_2 + b_2, 1\})$$

and

$$\mathbf{M}(a, b) = (\min\{a_1, b_1\}, \max\{a_2, b_2\})$$

for all $a = (a_1, a_2), b = (b_1, b_2) \in [0, 1]^2$ are continuous t -representable.

Define the mapping \mathcal{T}_\wedge from L^2 to L by

$$\mathcal{T}_\wedge(x, y) = \min(x, y) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } y \geq_L x, \\ y, & \text{if } x \geq_L y. \end{cases}$$

Recall (see [67, 68]) that, if $\{x_n\}$ is a given sequence in L , then $(\mathcal{T}_\wedge)_{i=1}^n x_i$ is defined recurrently by $(\mathcal{T}_\wedge)_{i=1}^1 x_i = x_1$ and $(\mathcal{T}_\wedge)_{i=1}^n x_i = \mathcal{T}_\wedge((\mathcal{T}_\wedge)_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i, x_n)$ for all $n \geq 2$.

A *negation* on \mathcal{L} is any decreasing mapping $\mathcal{N} : L \rightarrow L$ satisfying $\mathcal{N}(0_{\mathcal{L}}) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ and $\mathcal{N}(1_{\mathcal{L}}) = 0_{\mathcal{L}}$. If $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{N}(x)) = x$ for all $x \in L$, then \mathcal{N} is called an *involution negation*. In the following, \mathcal{L} is endowed with a (fixed) negation \mathcal{N} .

Definition 2.3 A *latticeic random normed space* is a triple $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$, where X is a vector space and μ is a mapping from X into D_L^+ satisfying the following conditions:

- (LRN1) $\mu_x(t) = \varepsilon_0(t)$ for all $t > 0$ if and only if $x = 0$;
- (LRN2) $\mu_{\alpha x}(t) = \mu_x(\frac{t}{|\alpha|})$ for all x in X , $\alpha \neq 0$ and $t \geq 0$;
- (LRN3) $\mu_{x+y}(t+s) \geq_L \mathcal{T}_\wedge(\mu_x(t), \mu_y(s))$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $t, s \geq 0$.

We note that, from (LPN2), it follows that $\mu_{-x}(t) = \mu_x(t)$ for all $x \in X$ and $t \geq 0$.

Example 2.4 Let $L = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ and an operation \leq_L be defined by

$$L = \{(a_1, a_2) : (a_1, a_2) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \text{ and } a_1 + a_2 \leq 1\},$$

$$(a_1, a_2) \leq_L (b_1, b_2) \iff a_1 \leq b_1, \quad a_2 \geq b_2, \quad \forall a = (a_1, a_2), b = (b_1, b_2) \in L.$$

Then (L, \leq_L) is a complete lattice (see [66]). In this complete lattice, we denote its units by $0_L = (0, 1)$ and $1_L = (1, 0)$. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed space. Let $\mathcal{T}(a, b) =$

$(\min\{a_1, b_1\}, \max\{a_2, b_2\})$ for all $a = (a_1, a_2), b = (b_1, b_2) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ and μ be a mapping defined by

$$\mu_x(t) = \left(\frac{t}{t + \|x\|}, \frac{\|x\|}{t + \|x\|} \right), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Then (X, μ, \mathcal{T}) is a latticetic random normed space.

If $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ is a latticetic random normed space, then we have

$$\mathcal{V} = \{V(\varepsilon, \lambda) : \varepsilon >_L 0_{\mathcal{L}}, \lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}\}$$

is a complete system of neighborhoods of null vector for a linear topology on X generated by the norm F , where

$$V(\varepsilon, \lambda) = \{x \in X : F_x(\varepsilon) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}.$$

Definition 2.5 Let $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ be a latticetic random normed space.

- (1) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is said to be *convergent* to a point $x \in X$ if, for any $t > 0$ and $\varepsilon \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, there exists a positive integer N such that $\mu_{x_n-x}(t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon)$ for all $n \geq N$.
- (2) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is called a *Cauchy sequence* if, for any $t > 0$ and $\varepsilon \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, there exists a positive integer N such that $\mu_{x_n-x_m}(t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon)$ for all $n \geq m \geq N$.
- (3) A latticetic random normed space $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ is said to be *complete* if every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent to a point in X .

Theorem 2.6 If $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ is a latticetic random normed space and $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence such that $x_n \rightarrow x$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{x_n}(t) = \mu_x(t)$.

Proof The proof is the same as in classical random normed spaces (see [17]). □

Lemma 2.7 Let $(X, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ be a latticetic random normed space and $x \in X$. If

$$\mu_x(t) = C, \quad \forall t > 0,$$

then $C = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ and $x = 0$.

Proof Let $\mu_x(t) = C$ for all $t > 0$. Since $\text{Ran}(\mu) \subseteq D_L^+$, we have $C = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ and, by (LRN1), we conclude that $x = 0$. □

3 Hyers-Ulam stability in non-Archimedean latticetic random spaces

In the rest of this paper, unless otherwise explicitly stated, we will assume that G is an additive group and that X is a complete non-Archimedean latticetic random space. For convenience, we use the following abbreviation for a given mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$:

$$\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n f\left(x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) + nf\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$, where $n \geq 2$ is a fixed integer.

Lemma 3.1 [18] *Let V_1 and V_2 be real vector spaces. If an odd mapping $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ satisfies the functional equation (1.2), then f is additive.*

Let \mathcal{K} be a non-Archimedean field, \mathcal{X} a vector space over \mathcal{K} and $(\mathcal{Y}, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ a non-Archimedean complete LRN-space over \mathcal{K} . In the following theorem, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.2) in non-Archimedean latticetic random spaces for an odd mapping case.

Theorem 3.2 *Let \mathcal{K} be a non-Archimedean field and $(\mathcal{X}, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ a non-Archimedean complete LRN-space over \mathcal{K} . Let $\varphi : G^n \rightarrow D_L^+$ be a distribution function such that*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n}(|2|^m t) = 1_L = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_{2^{m-1} x}(|2|^m t) \tag{3.1}$$

for all $x, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$, and

$$\tilde{\varphi}_x(t) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \Phi_{2^k x}(|2|^k t) : 0 \leq k < m \} \tag{3.2}$$

exists for all $x \in G$, where

$$\Phi_x(t) := \min \left\{ \varphi_{2x, 0, \dots, 0}(t), \min \left\{ \varphi_{x, x, 0, \dots, 0} \left(\frac{|2|t}{n} \right), \varphi_{x, -x, \dots, -x}(|2|t), \varphi(-x, x, \dots, x) \right\} \right\} \tag{3.3}$$

for all $x \in G$. Suppose that an odd mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$ satisfies the inequality

$$\mu_{\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(t) \tag{3.4}$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. Then there exists an additive mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x) - A(x)}(t) \geq_L \tilde{\varphi}_x(|2|t) \tag{3.5}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$, and if

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \Phi_{2^k x}(|2|^k t) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell \} = 1_L \tag{3.6}$$

then A is a unique additive mapping satisfying (3.5).

Proof Letting $x_1 = nx_1, x_i = nx'_1$ ($i = 2, \dots, n$) in (3.4) and using the oddness of f , we obtain that

$$\mu_{nf(x_1 + (n-1)x'_1) + f((n-1)(x_1 - x'_1)) - (n-1)f(x_1 - x'_1) - f(nx_1) - (n-1)f(nx'_1)}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{nx_1, nx'_1, \dots, nx'_1}(t) \tag{3.7}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Interchanging x_1 with x'_1 in (3.7) and using the oddness of f , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{nf((n-1)x_1 + x'_1) - f((n-1)(x_1 - x'_1)) + (n-1)f(x_1 - x'_1) - (n-1)f(nx_1) - f(nx'_1)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \varphi_{nx'_1, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}(t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.7) and (3.8) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{nf(x_1+(n-1)x'_1)-nf((n-1)x_1+x'_1)+2f((n-1)(x_1-x'_1))-2(n-1)f(x_1-x'_1)+(n-2)f(nx_1)-(n-2)f(nx'_1)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \min\{\varphi_{nx_1, nx'_1, \dots, nx'_1}(t), \varphi_{nx'_1, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}(t)\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Setting $x_1 = nx_1, x_2 = -nx'_1, x_i = 0$ ($i = 3, \dots, n$) in (3.4) and using the oddness of f , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{f((n-1)x_1+x'_1)-f(x_1+(n-1)x'_1)+2f(x_1-x'_1)-f(nx_1)+f(nx'_1)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \varphi_{nx_1, -nx'_1, 0, \dots, 0}(t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.9) and (3.10) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{f((n-1)(x_1-x'_1))+f(x_1-x'_1)-f(nx_1)+f(nx'_1)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{nx_1, -nx'_1, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}\right), \varphi_{nx_1, nx'_1, \dots, nx'_1}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}\right), \varphi_{nx'_1, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}\right)\right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Putting $x_1 = n(x_1 - x'_1), x_i = 0$ ($i = 2, \dots, n$) in (3.4), we obtain

$$\mu_{f(n(x_1-x'_1))-f((n-1)(x_1-x'_1))-f((x_1-x'_1))}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{n(x_1-x'_1), 0, \dots, 0}(t) \tag{3.12}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.11) and (3.12) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{f(n(x_1-x'_1))-f(nx_1)+f(nx'_1)}(t) & \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{n(x_1-x'_1), 0, \dots, 0}(t), \varphi_{nx_1, -nx'_1, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right), \right. \\ & \left. \min\left\{\varphi_{nx_1, nx'_1, \dots, nx'_1}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right), \varphi_{nx'_1, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right)\right\}\right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

for all $x_1, x'_1 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Replacing x_1 and x'_1 by $\frac{x}{n}$ and $\frac{-x}{n}$ in (3.13), respectively, we obtain

$$\mu_{f(2x)-2f(x)}(t) \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{2x, 0, \dots, 0}(t), \min\left\{\varphi_{x, x, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right), \varphi_{x, -x, \dots, -x}(t), \varphi_{-x, x, \dots, x}(t)\right\}\right\}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Hence,

$$\mu_{\frac{f(2x)}{2}-f(x)}(t) \geq_L \Phi_x(|2|t) \tag{3.14}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Replacing x by $2^{m-1}x$ in (3.14), we have

$$\mu_{\frac{f(2^{m-1}x)}{2^{m-1}}-\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}}(t) \geq_L \Phi_{2^{m-1}x}(|2|^m t) \tag{3.15}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.1) and (3.15) that the sequence $\{\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}\}$ is Cauchy. Since X is complete, we conclude that $\{\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}\}$ is convergent. So one can define the mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ by $A(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}$ for all $x \in G$. It follows from (3.14) and (3.15) that

$$\mu_{f(x)-\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}}(t) \geq_L \min\{\Phi_{2^k x}(|2|^{k+1}t) : 0 \leq k < m\} \tag{3.16}$$

for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. By taking m to approach infinity in (3.16) and using (3.2), one gets (3.5). By (3.1) and (3.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\Delta A(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}(t) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{\Delta f(2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n)}(|2|^m t) \\ &\geq_L \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n}(|2|^m t) = 1_{\mathcal{L}} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. Thus the mapping A satisfies (1.2). By Lemma 3.1, A is additive.

If A' is another additive mapping satisfying (3.5), then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A(x)-A'(x)}(t) &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{A(2^\ell x)-A'(2^\ell x)}(|2|^\ell t) \\ &\geq_L \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \min\{\mu_{A(2^\ell x)-f(2^\ell x)}(|2|^\ell t), \mu_{f(2^\ell x)-Q'(2^\ell x)}(|2|^\ell t)\} \\ &\geq_L \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min\{\tilde{\varphi}_{2^k x}(|2|^{k+1}) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in G$, thus, $A = A'$. □

Corollary 3.3 Let $\rho : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying

- (i) $\rho(|2|t) \leq \rho(|2|)\rho(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$,
- (ii) $\rho(|2|) < |2|$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $(G, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ be an LRN-space in which $L = D^+$. Suppose that an odd mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$ satisfies the inequality

$$\mu_{\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}(t) \geq_L \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \rho(\|x_i\|)}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. Then there exists a unique additive mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \geq_L \frac{t}{t + \frac{2n}{|2|^2} \varepsilon \rho(\|x\|)}$$

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

Proof Defining $\varphi : G^n \rightarrow D^+$ by $\varphi_{x_1, \dots, x_n}(t) := \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \rho(\|x_i\|)}$, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n}(|2|^m t) \geq_L \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{x_1, \dots, x_n} \left(\left(\frac{|2|}{\rho(|2|)} \right)^m t \right) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. So, we have

$$\tilde{\varphi}_x(t) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min\{\Phi_{2^k x}(|2|^k) : 0 \leq k < m\} = \Phi_x(t)$$

and

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min\{\Phi_{2^k x}(|2|^k) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell\} = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_{2^\ell x}(|2|^\ell) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.3) that

$$\Phi_x(t) = \min \left\{ \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon\rho(\|2x\|)}, \frac{t}{t + \frac{1}{|2|} 2n\varepsilon\rho(\|x\|)} \right\} = \frac{|2|t}{|2|t + 2n\varepsilon\rho(\|x\|)}.$$

Applying Theorem 3.2, we conclude that

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)}(t) \geq_L \tilde{\varphi}_x(|2|t) = \Phi_x(|2|t) = \frac{t}{t + \frac{2n}{|2|^2} \varepsilon\rho(\|x\|)}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. □

Lemma 3.4 [18] *Let V_1 and V_2 be real vector spaces. If an even mapping $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ satisfies the functional equation (1.2), then f is quadratic.*

In the following theorem, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.2) in non-Archimedean LRN-spaces for an even mapping case.

Theorem 3.5 *Let $\varphi : G^n \rightarrow D_L^+$ be a function such that*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{2^m x_1, 2^m x_2, \dots, 2^m x_n}(|2|^{2m}t) = 1_{\mathcal{L}} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^{m-1}x}(|2|^{2m}t) \tag{3.17}$$

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

$$\tilde{\varphi}'_x(t) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k}t) : 0 \leq k < m \} \tag{3.18}$$

exists for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$ where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varphi}'_x(t) := \min \{ & \varphi_{nx, nx, 0, \dots, 0}(|2n - 2|t), \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(|n - 1|t), \\ & \varphi_{x, (n-1)x, 0, \dots, 0}(|n - 1|t), \Psi_x(|n - 1|t) \} \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

and

$$\Psi_x(t) := \min \left\{ n\varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0} \left(\frac{|2|}{n}t \right), \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(|2|t), \varphi_{0, nx, \dots, nx}(|2|t) \right\} \tag{3.20}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Suppose that an even mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$ with $f(0) = 0$ satisfies the inequality (3.4) for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. Then there exists a quadratic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-Q(x)}(t) \geq_L \tilde{\varphi}'_x(|2|^2t) \tag{3.21}$$

for all $x \in G, t > 0$ and if

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k}t) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell \} = 1_{\mathcal{L}} \tag{3.22}$$

then Q is a unique quadratic mapping satisfying (3.21).

Proof Replacing x_1 by nx_1 , and x_i by nx_2 ($i = 2, \dots, n$) in (3.4) and using the evenness of f , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{nf(x_1+(n-1)x_2)+f((n-1)(x_1-x_2))+(n-1)f(x_1-x_2)-f(nx_1)-(n-1)f(nx_2)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \varphi_{nx_1, nx_2, \dots, nx_2}(t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Interchanging x_1 with x_2 in (3.23) and using the evenness of f , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{nf((n-1)x_1+x_2)+f((n-1)(x_1-x_2))+(n-1)f(x_1-x_2)-(n-1)f(nx_1)-f(nx_2)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \varphi_{nx_2, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}(t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.24}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.23) and (3.24) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{nf((n-1)x_1+x_2)+nf(x_1+(n-1)x_2)+2f((n-1)(x_1-x_2))+2(n-1)f(x_1-x_2)-nf(nx_1)-nf(nx_2)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \min\{\varphi_{nx_1, nx_2, \dots, nx_2}(t), \varphi_{nx_2, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}(t)\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Setting $x_1 = nx_1$, $x_2 = -nx_2$, $x_i = 0$ ($i = 3, \dots, n$) in (3.4) and using the evenness of f , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{f((n-1)x_1+x_2)+f(x_1+(n-1)x_2)+2(n-1)f(x_1-x_2)-f(nx_1)-f(nx_2)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \varphi_{nx_1, -nx_2, 0, \dots, 0}(t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.26}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $t > 0$. So, it follows from (3.25) and (3.26) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{f((n-1)(x_1-x_2))-(n-1)^2f(x_1-x_2)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{nx_1, -nx_2, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}\right), \varphi_{nx_1, nx_2, \dots, nx_2}(|2|t), \varphi_{nx_2, nx_1, \dots, nx_1}(|2|t)\right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.27}$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $t > 0$. Setting $x_1 = x$, $x_2 = 0$ in (3.27), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{f((n-1)x)-(n-1)^2f(x)}(t) \\ & \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right), \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(|2|t), \varphi_{0, nx, \dots, nx}(|2|t)\right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Putting $x_1 = nx$, $x_i = 0$ ($i = 2, \dots, n$) in (3.4), one obtains

$$\mu_{f(nx)-f((n-1)x)-(2n-1)f(x)}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(t) \tag{3.29}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.28) and (3.29) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{f(nx)-n^2f(x)}(t) & \geq_L \min\left\{\varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(t), \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}\left(\frac{|2|}{n}t\right), \right. \\ & \left. \varphi_{nx, 0, \dots, 0}(|2|t), \varphi_{0, nx, \dots, nx}(|2|t)\right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.30}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Letting $x_2 = -(n-1)x_1$ and replacing x_1 by $\frac{x}{n}$ in (3.26), we get

$$\mu_{f((n-1)x)-f((n-2)x)-(2n-3)f(x)}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{x,(n-1)x,0,\dots,0}(t) \tag{3.31}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.28) and (3.31) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{f((n-2)x)-(n-2)^2f(x)}(t) \geq_L \min \left\{ \varphi_{x,(n-1)x,0,\dots,0}(t), \varphi_{nx,0,\dots,0} \left(\frac{|2|}{n}t \right), \right. \\ \left. \varphi_{nx,0,\dots,0}(|2|t), \varphi_{0,nx,\dots,nx}(|2|t) \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.30) and (3.32) that

$$\mu_{f(nx)-f((n-2)x)-4(n-1)f(x)}(t) \geq_L \min \{ \varphi_{nx,0,\dots,0}(t), \varphi_{x,(n-1)x,0,\dots,0}(t), \Psi_x(t) \} \tag{3.33}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Setting $x_1 = x_2 = nx$, $x_i = 0$ ($i = 3, \dots, n$) in (3.4), we obtain

$$\mu_{f((n-2)x)+(n-1)f(2x)-f(nx)}(t) \geq_L \varphi_{nx,nx,0,\dots,0}(|2|t) \tag{3.34}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.33) and (3.34) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{f(2x)-4f(x)}(t) \\ \geq_L \min \{ \varphi_{nx,nx,0,\dots,0}(|2n-2|t), \varphi_{nx,0,\dots,0}(|n-1|t), \\ \varphi_{x,(n-1)x,0,\dots,0}(|n-1|t), \Psi_x(|n-1|t) \} \end{aligned} \tag{3.35}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Thus,

$$\mu_{f(x)-\frac{f(2x)}{2}}(t) \geq_L \tilde{\varphi}'_x(|2|^2t) \tag{3.36}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Replacing x by $2^{m-1}x$ in (3.36), we have

$$\mu_{\frac{f(2^{m-1}x)}{2^{2(m-1)}}-\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^{2m}}}(t) \geq_L \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^{m-1}x}(|2|^{2m}t) \tag{3.37}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.17) and (3.37) that the sequence $\{\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^{2m}}\}$ is Cauchy. Since X is complete, we conclude that $\{\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^{2m}}\}$ is convergent. So, one can define the mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ by $Q(x) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^m x)}{2^{2m}}$ for all $x \in G$. By using induction, it follows from (3.36) and (3.37) that

$$\mu_{f(x)-\frac{f(2^m x)}{2^{2m}}}(t) \geq_L \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k+2}t) : 0 \leq k < m \} \tag{3.38}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. By taking m to approach infinity in (3.38) and using (3.18), one gets (3.21).

The rest of proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.2. □

Corollary 3.6 Let $\eta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying

- (i) $\eta(|l|t) \leq \eta(|l|)\eta(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$,
- (ii) $\eta(|l|) < |l|^2$ for $l \in \{2, n-1, n\}$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $(G, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\wedge)$ be a LRN-space in which $L = D^+$. Suppose that an even mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$ with $f(0) = 0$ satisfies the inequality

$$\mu_{\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}(t) \geq \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \eta(\|x_i\|)}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. Then there exists a unique quadratic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x)-Q(x)}(t) \geq \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t + \frac{2}{|2|^2} \varepsilon \eta(\|x\|)}, & \text{if } n = 2; \\ \frac{t}{t + \frac{n}{|2|^3|n-1|} \varepsilon \eta(\|nx\|)}, & \text{if } n > 2, \end{cases}$$

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

Proof Defining $\varphi : G^n \rightarrow D^+$ by $\varphi_{x_1, \dots, x_n}(t) := \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \eta(\|x_i\|)}$, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{2^m x_1, \dots, 2^m x_n}(|2|^{2m} t) \geq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{x_1, \dots, x_n} \left(\left(\frac{|2|^2}{\eta(|2|)} \right)^m \right) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. We have

$$\tilde{\varphi}'_x(t) := \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k} t) : 0 \leq k < m \}$$

and

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k} t) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell \} = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^\ell x}(|2|^{2\ell} t) = 0$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. It follows from (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_x(t) &= \min \left\{ \frac{|2|t}{|2|t + 2n\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, \frac{|2|t}{|2|t + 2\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, \frac{|2|t}{|2|t + 2(n-1)\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)} \right\} \\ &= \frac{|2|t}{|2|t + n\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by using (3.19), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varphi}'_x(t) &= \min \left\{ \frac{|2n-2|t}{|2n-2|t + 2\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, \frac{|n-1|t}{|n-1|t + \varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{|2n-2|t}{|2n-2|t + n\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, \frac{|n-1|t}{|n-1|t + \varepsilon(\eta(\|x\|) + \eta(\|(n-1)x\|))} \right\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t + 2\varepsilon\eta(\|x\|)}, & \text{if } n = 2; \\ \frac{|2||n-1|t}{|2||n-1|t + n\varepsilon\eta(\|nx\|)}, & \text{if } n > 2, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Applying Theorem 3.5, we conclude the required result. □

Lemma 3.7 [18] *Let V_1 and V_2 be real vector spaces. A mapping $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ satisfies (1.2) if and only if there exist a symmetric bi-additive mapping $B : V_1 \times V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ and an additive mapping $A : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ such that $f(x) = B(x, x) + A(x)$ for all $x \in V_1$.*

Now, we are ready to prove the main theorem concerning the Hyers-Ulam stability problem for the functional equation (1.2) in non-Archimedean spaces.

Theorem 3.8 *Let $\varphi : G^n \rightarrow D_L^+$ be a function satisfying (3.1) for all $x, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$, and $\tilde{\varphi}_x(t)$ and $\tilde{\varphi}'_x(t)$ exist for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$, where $\tilde{\varphi}_x(t)$ and $\tilde{\varphi}'_x(t)$ are defined as in Theorems 3.2 and 3.5. Suppose that a mapping $f : G \rightarrow X$ with $f(0) = 0$ satisfies the inequality (3.4) for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$. Then there exist an additive mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ and a quadratic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$\mu_{f(x)-A(x)-Q(x)}(t) \geq_L \min \left\{ \tilde{\varphi}_x(|2|^2 t), \tilde{\varphi}_{-x}(|2|^2 t), \tilde{\varphi}'_x(|2|t), \frac{1}{|2|} \tilde{\varphi}'_{-x}(|2|t) \right\} \quad (3.39)$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. If

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \varphi_{2^k x}(|2|^k t) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell \} \\ & = 1_{\mathcal{L}} = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_{2^k x}(|2|^{2k} t) : \ell \leq k < m + \ell \} \end{aligned}$$

then A is a unique additive mapping and Q is a unique quadratic mapping satisfying (3.39).

Proof Let $f_e(x) = \frac{1}{2}(f(x) + f(-x))$ for all $x \in G$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta f_e(x_1, \dots, x_n)\| &= \left\| \frac{1}{2}(\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n) + \Delta f(-x_1, \dots, -x_n)) \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|2|} \max \{ \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n), \varphi(-x_1, \dots, -x_n) \} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in G$ and $t > 0$. By Theorem 3.5, there exists a quadratic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f_e(x)-Q(x)}(t) \geq_L \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}'_x(|2|^3 t), \tilde{\varphi}'_{-x}(|2|^3 t) \} \quad (3.40)$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Also, let $f_o(x) = \frac{1}{2}(f(x) - f(-x))$ for all $x \in G$. By Theorem 3.2, there exists an additive mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f_o(x)-A(x)}(t) \geq_L \min \{ \tilde{\varphi}_x(|2|^2 t), \tilde{\varphi}_{-x}(|2|^2 t) \} \quad (3.41)$$

for all $x \in G$ and $t > 0$. Hence (3.39) follows from (3.40) and (3.41).

The rest of proof is trivial. □

Corollary 3.9 *Let $\gamma : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying*

- (i) $\gamma(|l|t) \leq \gamma(|l|)\gamma(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$,
- (ii) $\gamma(|l|) < |l|^2$ for $l \in \{2, n-1, n\}$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, $(G, \mu, \mathcal{T}_\lambda)$ be an LRN-space in which $L = D^+$ and let $f : G \rightarrow X$ satisfy

$$\mu_{\Delta f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}(t) \geq \frac{t}{t + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma(\|x_i\|)}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in G$, $t > 0$ and $f(0) = 0$. Then there exist a unique additive mapping $A : G \rightarrow X$ and a unique quadratic mapping $Q : G \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\mu_{f(x) - A(x) - Q(x)}(t) \geq \frac{|2|^3 t}{|2|^3 t + 2n\varepsilon \gamma(\|x\|)}$$

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

Proof The result follows from Corollaries 3.6 and 3.3. □

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