

## ON THE STABILITY OF AN ADDITIVE SET-VALUED FUNCTIONAL EQUATION

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we consider the additive set-valued functional equation  $nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)$  where  $n \geq 2$  is an integer, and prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation.

### 1. Introduction

The stability problem of functional equations is originated from the question of S. M. Ulam [16] concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. Let  $G_1$  be a group and  $G_2$  be a metric group with the metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , does there exist a  $\delta > 0$  such that if a mapping  $h : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  satisfies the inequality  $d(h(x \cdot y), h(x)h(y)) < \delta$  for all  $x, y \in G_1$ , then there exists a homomorphism  $H : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  with  $d(h(x), H(x)) < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in G_1$ ?

In 1941, D. H. Hyers [9] considered the case of approximately additive mappings  $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  where  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are Banach spaces and  $f$  satisfies inequality  $\|f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \varepsilon$  for all  $x, y \in E_1$ . He proved that the function  $T : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  which is given by  $T(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n x)$  for all  $x \in E_1$  is the unique additive mapping satisfying  $\|f(x) - T(x)\| < \varepsilon$ .

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Hyers' theorem has been generalized by Aoki [1] for additive mapping. In 1978, Th. M. Rassias [15] proved the following theorem.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Let  $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a mapping from a normed vector space  $E_1$  into a Banach space  $E_2$  subject to the inequality*

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

*for all  $x, y \in E_1$ , where  $\varepsilon$  and  $p$  are constants with  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $p < 1$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $T : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  such that*

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

*for all  $x \in E$ . If  $p < 0$ , then inequality (1.1) holds for all  $x, y \neq 0$ , and (1.2) for  $x \neq 0$ . Moreover, if the function  $t \mapsto f(tx)$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $E_2$  is continuous in  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $x \in E$ , then  $T$  is linear.*

For the case  $p \geq 1$  related to the theorem, in 1991, Z. Gajda [7] proved the question for the case  $p > 1$ . Recently, P. Nakmahachalasint [14] proved the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of the following  $n$ -dimensional additive functional equation

$$(1.3) \quad nf\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j).$$

In this paper, we improve to establish the generalized Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability for the set-valued functional equation which is closely related by the functional equation (1.3) and prove the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability problem for the set-valued functional equation. The study for set-valued functional equations in Banach spaces has been developed in the last decades. The papers by G. Debreu [6] and R.J. Aumann [3] were inspired by problems arising in control theory and mathematical economics. The stability problems of several functional equation have been extensively investigated by a number of authors and there are many interesting results concerning this problem (see [2], [5], [4], [8], [11], [12]).

Throughout this paper, let  $X$  be a real vector space and  $Y$  be a Banach space.

Now, we will introduce the properties for set-valued functional equations which goes into a Banach space. We define  $C_b(Y)$  the set of all closed bounded subset of  $Y$  and  $C_c(Y)$  the set of all closed convex subset of  $Y$ . We denote  $C_{cb}(Y)$  the set of all closed convex bounded subsets of  $Y$ .

Let  $A, A' \in C_c(Y)$  and let  $\alpha, \beta$  be positive real numbers. Then we denote  $A \oplus A' := \overline{A + A'}$ . So it is easy to prove that  $\alpha A + \alpha A' = \alpha(A + A')$  and  $(\alpha + \beta)A \subseteq \alpha A + \beta A$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Moreover, we obtain that for every positive real number  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  $(\alpha + \beta)A = \alpha A + \beta A$ .

For a subset  $A \subset Y$ , the distance function  $d(\cdot, A)$  and the support function  $s(\cdot, A)$  are defined by  $d(x, A) := \inf\{\|x - y\| : y \in A\}$  for  $x \in Y$  and  $s(x^*, A) := \sup\{\langle x^*, x \rangle \mid x \in A\}$  for  $x^* \in Y^*$ , respectively.

For  $A, A' \in C_b(Y)$ , the Hausdorff distance  $h(A, A')$  is defined by

$$h(A, A') := \inf\{\alpha \geq 0 \mid A \subseteq A' + \alpha B_Y, A' \subseteq A + \alpha B_Y\},$$

where  $B_Y$  is the closed unit ball in  $Y$ . In [4], it was proved that  $(C_{cb}(Y), \oplus, h)$  is a complete metric semigroup. G. Debreu [6] proved that  $(C_{cb}(Y), \oplus, h)$  is isometrically embedded in a Banach space. The following remark is easily proved from the definition of the Hausdorff distance.

REMARK 1.2. For  $A, A', B, B' \in C_{cb}(Y)$  and  $\alpha > 0$ , the followings hold :

- (a)  $h(A \oplus A', B \oplus B') \leq h(A, B) + h(A', B')$ ;
- (b)  $h(\alpha A, \alpha B) = \alpha h(A, B)$ .

Let  $C(B_{Y^*})$  be the Banach space of continuous real-valued functions on  $B_{Y^*}$  endowed with the uniform norm  $\|\cdot\|_u$ . We define a function  $j$  from  $(C_{cb}(Y), \oplus, h)$  to  $C(B_{Y^*})$  which is induced from  $s$  given by  $j(A) := s(\cdot, A)$  for each  $A \in (C_{cb}(Y), \oplus, h)$ .

Then the following properties also hold. (See [6].)

- (a)  $j(A \oplus B) = j(A) + j(B)$
- (b)  $j(\alpha A) = \alpha j(A)$
- (c)  $h(A, B) = \|j(A) - j(B)\|_u$
- (d)  $j(C_{cb}(Y))$  is closed in  $C(B_{Y^*})$

for each  $A, B \in C_{cb}(Y)$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ .

## 2. Stability of the set-valued functional equation

Let  $f : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  be a function. The *additive set-valued functional equation* is defined by

$$(2.1) \quad nf\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ , where  $n \geq 2$  is an integer. Every solution of the additive set-valued functional equation is called an *additive set-valued mapping*.

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and let  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function satisfying the following properties*

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x, 2^k x, 0, \dots, 0) < \infty, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x_1, 2^k x_2, \dots, 2^k x_n) = 0$$

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

Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  is a set-valued mapping with  $f(0) = \{0\}$  and

$$(2.3) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  such that

$$(2.4) \quad h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x, 2^k x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Set  $x_1 = x_2 = x$  and  $x_3 = x_4 = \dots = x_n = 0$  in (2.3). Since the range of  $f$  is convex, we have

$$h(nf(2x), f(2x) \oplus (2n-2)f(x)) \leq \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . By Remark 1.2, we get

$$(2.5) \quad h((n-1)f(2x), (2n-2)f(x)) \leq \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Dividing both sides of (2.5) by  $2n-2$ , we get

$$(2.6) \quad h\left(\frac{f(2x)}{2}, f(x)\right) \leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Replacing  $x$  by  $2^k x$  and deviding both sides of (2.6) by  $2^k$ , we obtain

$$(2.7) \quad h\left(\frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{2^{k+1}}, \frac{f(2^k x)}{2^k}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x, 2^k x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $k, m$  be integers with  $k > m \geq 0$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.8) \quad h\left(\frac{f(2^k x)}{2^k}, \frac{f(2^m x)}{2^m}\right) &\leq \sum_{j=m}^{k-1} h\left(\frac{1}{2^j} f(2^j x), \frac{1}{2^{j+1}} f(2^{j+1} x)\right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \sum_{j=m}^{k-1} \frac{1}{2^j} \phi(2^j x, 2^j x, 0, \dots, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore, we obtain from (2.2) and (2.8) that the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^k} f(2^k x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for every  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^k} f(2^k x)\}$  converges in  $Y$ . Therefore, we can define a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  as  $T(x) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} f(2^k x)$ . Putting  $m = 0$  and taking the limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.8), we get the following inequality

$$h(T(x), f(x)) \leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x, 2^k x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . It follows from (2.3) and (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 h\left(nT\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right), \sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} T(x_i + x_j)\right) \\
 \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(2^k x_1, 2^k x_2, \dots, 2^k x_n) \\
 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Hence we have that the mapping  $T$  is an additive set-valued mapping.

Now we prove the uniqueness for the additive set-valued mapping satisfying the inequality (2.4). To prove the uniqueness for the mapping, let  $T' : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  be another additive set-valued mapping satisfying (2.3) and (2.4). Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.9) \quad h(T(x), T'(x)) &\leq h(T(x), f(x)) + h(f(x), T'(x)) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{2^j} \phi(2^j x, 2^j x, 0, \dots, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Taking the limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.9), we have  $T(x) = T'(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.2. Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and let  $\theta \geq 0$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ . Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  is a set-valued mapping satisfying

$$(2.10) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  satisfying the functional equation

$$nT(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} T(x_i + x_j)$$

and

$$h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{2\theta}{(n-1)(2-2^p)} \|x\|^p$$

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

*Proof.* Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$  in (2.10), we have

$$h(nf(0), nf(0) \oplus {}_n C_2 f(0)) \leq \theta \cdot 0 = 0,$$

which yields  $f(0) = \{0\}$ . So we let  $\phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$  in Theorem 2.1 and obtain the desired results.  $\square$

THEOREM 2.3. Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and let  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function satisfying the following properties

$$(2.11) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k \phi(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{x}{2^k}, 0, \dots, 0) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} 2^k \phi(\frac{x_1}{2^k}, \frac{x_2}{2^k}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{2^k}) = 0$$

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

Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  is a set-valued mapping with  $f(0) = \{0\}$  and

$$(2.12) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  such that

$$(2.13) \quad h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{1}{2n-2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k \phi(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{x}{2^k}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Replacing  $x$  by  $\frac{x}{2^k}$  and multiplying by  $2^k$  in (2.6), we have the following inequality

$$h(2^{k-1}f(\frac{x}{2^{k-1}}), 2^k f(\frac{x}{2^k})) \leq \frac{2^k}{2n-2} \phi(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{x}{2^k}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

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

**COROLLARY 2.4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and let  $\theta \geq 0, p > 1$ . Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  is a set-valued mapping satisfying the following property*

$$(2.14) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  satisfying the functional equation

$$nT(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} T(x_i + x_j)$$

and

$$h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{2\theta}{(n-1)(2^p-2)} \|x\|^p$$

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

*Proof.* From the proof of the Corollary 2.2, we get  $f(0) = \{0\}$ . Applying  $\phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$  in Theorem 2.3, we can obtain the desired results. □

### 3. Stability of the additive set-valued functional equation by fixed point method

In this section, we will prove the stability of the additive set-valued functional equation using the fixed point method. Let  $X$  be a set. A function  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called a *generalized metric* on  $X$  if  $d$  satisfies the following properties:

- (1)  $d(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;
- (2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (3)  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

We recall the following theorem by Margolis and Diaz[13].

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete generalized metric space and let  $J : X \rightarrow X$  be a strictly contractive mapping with Lipschitz constant  $L < 1$ . Then for each given element  $x \in X$ , either*

$$d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) = \infty$$

*for all nonnegative integers  $n$  or there exists a positive integer  $n_0$  such that*

- (1)  $d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) < \infty, \forall n \geq n_0$ ;
- (2) *the sequence  $\{J^n x\}$  converges to a fixed point  $y^*$  of  $J$ ;*
- (3)  $y^*$  *is the unique fixed point of  $J$  in the set*  
 $Y = \{y \in X | d(J^{n_0} x, y) < \infty\}$ ;
- (4)  $d(y, y^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(y, Jy)$  *for all  $y \in Y$ .*

Next, using the fixed point method, we prove the stability of the additive set-valued functional equation.

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer. Suppose that a set-valued mapping  $f : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  with  $f(0) = \{0\}$  satisfies the functional inequality*

$$(3.1) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

*for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$  and there exists a constant  $L$  with  $0 < L < 1$  for which the function  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies*

$$(3.2) \quad \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0) \leq 2L\phi(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

*for all  $x \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  given by  $T(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} f(2^k x)$  such that*

$$(3.3) \quad h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{L}{(n-1)(1-L)} \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

*for all  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $x_1 = x_2 = x$  and  $x_3 = x_4 = \dots = x_n = 0$  in (3.1). Since the range of  $f$  is convex, we have

$$h(nf(2x), f(2x) \oplus (2n-2)f(x)) \leq \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . By Remark 1.2, we get

$$(3.4) \quad h((n-1)f(2x), (2n-2)f(x)) \leq \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Dividing both sides of (3.4) by  $2n-2$ , we get



$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.5) \quad h\left(\frac{1}{2}f(2x), f(x)\right) &\leq \frac{1}{2n-2}\phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0) \\
 &\leq \frac{L}{n-1}\phi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, 0, \dots, 0\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $S := \{g \mid g : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y), g(0) = \{0\}\}$ . For  $g_1, g_2 \in S$ , we consider the generalized metric  $d(g_1, g_2)$  on  $S$  defined by

$$\inf\{\mu \in (0, \infty) \mid h(g_1(x), g_2(x)) \leq \mu\phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0), \forall x \in X\}$$

and  $\inf\{\emptyset\} = \infty$ . It is easy to prove that  $(S, d)$  is complete (see [10]). Now, we define the linear mapping  $J : S \rightarrow S$  given by  $Jg(x) := \frac{1}{2}g(2x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

For  $g_1, g_2 \in S$ , let  $d(g_1, g_2) < \mu$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.6) \quad h(Jg_1(x), Jg_2(x)) &= h\left(\frac{1}{2}g_1(2x), \frac{1}{2}g_2(2x)\right) \\
 &\leq \frac{\mu}{2}\phi(2x, 2x, 0, \dots, 0) \\
 &\leq \mu L\phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . The above inequality show that  $d(Jg_1, Jg_2) \leq Ld(g_1, g_2)$  for all  $g_1, g_2 \in S$ . Hence  $J$  is a strictly contractive mapping with Lipschitz constant  $L$ . So we obtain  $d(Jf, f) \leq \frac{L}{n-1} < \infty$  in (3.5). By Theorem 3.1, we get that the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  satisfies the following properties:

- (1)  $T$  has a fixed point of  $J$ , that is,  $T(2x) = 2T(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . The mapping  $T$  has a fixed point of  $J$  in the set  $M = \{g \in S : d(f, g) < \infty\}$ . This implies that  $T$  is a unique mapping such that there exists a  $\mu \in (0, \infty)$  satisfying  $h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \mu\phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$  for all  $x \in X$ .
- (2)  $T$  is defined by the limit mapping as following

$$(3.7) \quad T(x) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^k x)}{2^k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} J^k f(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

- (3)  $d(f, T) \leq \frac{1}{1-L}d(f, Jf)$  implies the inequality  $d(f, T) \leq \frac{L}{(n-1)(1-L)}$  and also implies that the inequality (3.3) holds. From (3.1) and (3.7), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
& h(nT(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} T(x_i + x_j)) \\
&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} h(nT(\sum_{i=1}^n 2^k x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n T(2^k x_i) \\
(3.8) \quad & \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} T(2^k x_i + 2^k x_j)) \\
&\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \phi(\frac{x}{2^k}, \frac{x}{2^k}, 0, \dots, 0) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $T$  is a unique additive set-valued mapping satisfying the inequality (3.3), as desired.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *Let  $\theta \geq 0$ ,  $0 < p < 1$  be real numbers and  $X$  be a real normed space. Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  is a set-valued mapping satisfying*

$$(3.9) \quad h(nf(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)) \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ , then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  satisfying

$$h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{\theta 2^p}{(n-1)(2-2^p)} \|x\|^p$$

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

*Proof.* We first take the function  $\phi$  in Theorem 3.2 given by

$$\phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) := \theta \sum_{k=1}^n \|x_k\|^p.$$

Then by choosing  $L = 2^{p-1}$ , we get the desired result.  $\square$

In the following theorem, we focus on changes of the condition for the control function  $\phi$  on the inequality (3.1).

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer. Suppose that a set-valued mapping  $f : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  with  $f(0) = \{0\}$  satisfies the functional inequality*

$$(3.10) \quad h\left(nf\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)\right) \leq \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$  and there exists a constant  $L$  with  $0 < L < 1$  for which the function  $\phi : X^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies

$$(3.11) \quad \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0) \leq \frac{L}{2} \phi(2x, 2x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow (C_{cb}(Y), h)$  given by  $T(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} 2^k f(\frac{x}{2^k})$  such that

$$(3.12) \quad h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{L}{(2n - 2)(1 - L)} \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* It follows from (3.5) that

$$(3.13) \quad h\left(\frac{f(2x)}{2}, f(x)\right) \leq \frac{1}{2n - 2} \phi(x, x, 0, \dots, 0)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Then we obtain the linear mapping  $J$  from  $S$  to itself with satisfying  $Jg(x) = 2f(\frac{x}{2})$  for all  $x \in X$ . The rest of this proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.2. □

**COROLLARY 3.5.** *Let  $\theta \geq 0, p > 1$  be real numbers and  $X$  be a real normed space. Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  is a set-valued mapping satisfying*

$$(3.14) \quad h\left(nf\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right), \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \oplus \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} f(x_i + x_j)\right) \leq \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ , then there exists a unique additive set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow C_{cb}(Y)$  satisfying

$$h(f(x), T(x)) \leq \frac{\theta}{(n - 1)(2^{p-1} - 1)} \|x\|^p$$

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

*Proof.* We first take the function  $\phi$  in Theorem 3.4 given by

$$\phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) := \theta \sum_{k=1}^n \|x_k\|^p.$$

Then by choosing  $L = 2^{1-p}$ , we get the desired result.  $\square$

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