

HYERS-ULAM STABILITY FOR A SPECIAL CLASS OF FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS

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Abstract. In this paper, we investigate the stability in the sense of Hyers-Ulam for a class of the following type functional equations:

$$\sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x) + h(y), \quad x, y \in S$$

where \mathbb{K} is a complete valued field of characteristic zero, F is a complete normed space (Archimedean or ultrametric) over \mathbb{K} , $(S, +)$ is an abelian monoid, $f, h: S \rightarrow F$, Φ is a finite automorphism group of S , N is the cardinality of Φ and $a_\lambda \in S$.

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1. Introduction

The stability of functional equations was initiated by the question of S. M. Ulam asked in 1940 [33]. The first important result of the stability theory was given by D. H. Hyers [18] who answered the question of Ulam for the additive functional equation in Banach spaces. This result was extended and generalized in several ways by many authors worldwide, see for example, [1]-[4],[10]-[16],[19]-[24],[29]-[32].

The concept of p -adic numbers was introduced by the German mathematician, K. Hensel [17] as a tool for solving problems in algebra and number theory. It seems that Hensel's main motivation was the analogy between the ring of integers \mathbb{Z} together with its field of fractions \mathbb{Q} and the ring $\mathbb{C}[X]$ of polynomials with complex coefficients together with its field of fractions $\mathbb{C}(X)$.

Hensel [17] has introduced a normed space which does not have the Archimedean property. It turned out that non-Archimedean spaces have many important applications ([3]-[5], [27]-[28]).

Non-Archimedean functional analysis is a fast-growing discipline widely used not just within pure mathematics but also applied in other sciences including physics,

biology and chemistry. In the following, we will recall briefly some fundamentals that will be needed later on.

Definition 1.1. Let \mathbb{K} be a field equipped with a function (valuation) $|\cdot|: \mathbb{K} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that for each $r, s \in \mathbb{K}$, the following conditions hold:

1. $|r| = 0$ if and only if $r = 0$,
2. $|rs| = |r| \cdot |s|$,
3. $|r + s| \leq |r| + |s|$.

Then, the pair $(\mathbb{K}, |\cdot|)$ is called a *valued field*. Moreover, we change the condition (3) instead of the following condition

4. $|r + s| \leq \max\{|r|, |s|\}$, $r, s \in \mathbb{K}$,

then the pair $(\mathbb{K}, |\cdot|)$ will be called a *non-Archimedean (or ultrametric) field*.

It is known that any complete Archimedean field is isomorphic to either the real or the complex numbers and the valuation is equivalent to the usual one.

Definition 1.2. Let X be a vector space over a valued field \mathbb{K} . A function $\|\cdot\|: X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a *norm* if it satisfies the following conditions:

1. $\|x\| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$,
2. $\|rx\| = |r| \cdot \|x\|$, $r \in \mathbb{K}, x \in X$,
3. $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$, $x, y \in X$.

Then $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called *normed space*.

Moreover, if \mathbb{K} is a non-Archimedean field, then we change the condition (3) instead of the following condition

4. $\|x + y\| \leq \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}$, $x, y \in X$.

Hence, $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ will be called a *non-Archimedean (or ultrametric) normed space*.

Definition 1.3. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in a non-Archimedean normed space X .

1. The sequence $\{x_n\}$ is said to be *convergent* if, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a positive integer N and $x \in X$ such that $\|x_n - x\| \leq \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$. Then the point $x \in X$ is called the *limit* of the sequence $\{x_n\}$ which is denoted by $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$;
2. A sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in a non-Archimedean space is a *Cauchy sequence* if and only if the sequence $\{x_{n+1} - x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to zero;

3. If every Cauchy sequence in X converges, then the non-Archimedean normed space X is called a *non-Archimedean Banach space* or an *ultrametric Banach space*.

Example 1.1. Fix a prime number p . For any nonzero rational number x , there exists a unique integer $n_x \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $x = \frac{a}{b}p^{n_x}$, where a and b are integers not divisible by p . Then $|x|_p := p^{-n_x}$ defines a non-Archimedean norm on \mathbb{Q} . The completion of \mathbb{Q} with respect to the metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|_p$ is denoted by \mathbb{Q}_p which is called the p -adic number field. In fact, \mathbb{Q}_p is the set of all formal series $x = \sum_{k \geq n_x} a_k p^k$ where $0 \leq a_k \leq p - 1$ are integers. The addition and multiplication between any two elements of \mathbb{Q}_p are defined naturally. The norm $|\sum_{k \geq n_x} a_k p^k|_p = p^{-n_x}$ is a non-Archimedean norm on \mathbb{Q}_p and it makes \mathbb{Q}_p a locally compact field.

The purpose of this paper is to keep continuity with our previous work in [6]-[9]. Indeed, we investigate the approximation of solutions of a class of Jensen type, quadratic type and Drygas type. These equations are extension forms of several equations, for examples,

$$(1.1) \quad f(x + y + a) = f(x) + h(y), \quad x, y \in S,$$

$$(1.2) \quad f(x + y + a) + f(x - y + b) = 2f(x), \quad x, y \in S,$$

$$(1.3) \quad f(x + y + a) + f(x + \sigma(y) + b) = 2f(x) + h(y), \quad x, y \in S,$$

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y) = Nf(x) + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y), \quad x, y \in S,$$

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x) + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y), \quad x, y \in S,$$

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x), \quad x, y \in S$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x) + Nf(y), \quad x, y \in S$$

where $(S, +)$ is an abelian monoid.

In a perspective of continuity of previous work, we study the stability for a class of the following type functional equations

$$(1.8) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x) + h(y), \quad x, y \in S.$$

2. BACKGROUND RESULTS

Throughout this paper, F is a complete normed space (Archimedean or ultrametric) over \mathbb{K} which is a characteristic zero complete field and equipped with a non-trivial valuation $|\cdot|$, $(S, +)$ is an abelian monoid, Φ is a finite automorphism group of S and $N = |\Phi|$. In addition, when \mathbb{K} is an ultrametric field, then there is a prime number p such that $|p| \neq 1$ and the mapping $x \rightarrow px$, $x \in S$ is assumed to be bijective on S . So, we can write $p^{-1}x \in S$, $x \in S$.

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\mathcal{A}_n : S^n \rightarrow F$ be a function. Then we say that \mathcal{A}_n is n -additive if and only if it is additive on each variable.

We say that \mathcal{A}_n is *symmetric* if and only if

$$\mathcal{A}_n(x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}) = \mathcal{A}_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in S$ and each permutation σ of $(1, 2, \dots, n)$.

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\mathcal{A}_k : S^k \rightarrow F$ be symmetric and k -additive, $\mathcal{A}_k^*(x) = \mathcal{A}_k(\underbrace{x, \dots, x}_k)$

for all $x \in S$. Using additivity, we have $\mathcal{A}_k^*(rx) = r^k \mathcal{A}_k^*(x)$ whenever $x \in S$ and $r \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Also, we note that

$$\mathcal{A}_k(x + h, \dots, x + h) = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{k!}{(k-i)!i!} \mathcal{A}_k(\underbrace{x, \dots, x}_i, \underbrace{h, \dots, h}_{k-i}), \quad x, h \in S.$$

The function \mathcal{A}_k^* is called a *monomial function* of degree k associated to \mathcal{A}_k .

A function $p : S \rightarrow F$ is called a *generalized polynomial function* of degree n provided there exist $\mathcal{A}_0 \in F$ and monomial functions $\mathcal{A}_k^* : S \rightarrow F$ (for $1 \leq k \leq n$) such that

$$p(x) = \mathcal{A}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{A}_i^*(x),$$

for all $x \in S$. We also need to recall the definition of the *linear difference operator* Δ_h on F^S by

$$\Delta_h f(x) = f(x + h) - f(x), \quad x, h \in S.$$

Observe that these difference operators have important properties as the linearity property

$$\Delta_h(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \Delta_h(f) + \beta \Delta_h(g), \quad f, g \in F^S, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K},$$

and the commutativity property

$$\Delta_{h_1} \Delta_{h_2} \dots \Delta_{h_s} = \Delta_{h_1 h_2 \dots h_s} = \Delta_{h_{\sigma(1)} h_{\sigma(2)} \dots h_{\sigma(s)}},$$

where σ is a permutation of $(1, 2, \dots, s)$. There is also other property as

$$\Delta_h^n f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-i} \frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} f(x + ih), \quad x, h \in S.$$

At the end of this section, we come up with the following results.

Theorem 2.1. *Let $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the inequality*

$$(2.1) \quad \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y) - Nf(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then, there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $p: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that

1. *p is a solution of the equation*

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y) = Np(x) + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y), \quad x, y \in S.$$

2. *In the ultrametric case, p satisfies the inequality*

$$\|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|}, \quad x, y \in S$$

and in the Archimedean case, p satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{(N + 2)\delta}{N}, \quad x, y \in S.$$

For the Archimedean case, see [[26], Corollary 2.6] and [[25], Theorem 3]. Also, see [[5], Theorem 3.2] for the ultrametric case.

Lemma 2.1. *Let \mathbb{K} be a valued field, X be a normed space over \mathbb{K} , $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $P: S \rightarrow X$ be a generalized polynomial function. Suppose that*

$$(2.3) \quad \|P(x)\| \leq \delta, \quad x \in S.$$

Then, P is a constant function.

Proof. Let

$$P(x) = \mathcal{A}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{A}_i^*(x), \quad x \in S,$$

where $\mathcal{A}_i^*: S \rightarrow X$ and $1 \leq i \leq n$, are monomial functions. Suppose that \mathcal{A}_n is a nonzero function and p is a prime number such that $|p^\epsilon| < 1$ with $\epsilon \in \{-1, 1\}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{A}_n^*(x)\| &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |p^{\epsilon nj}| \|\mathcal{A}_n^*(p^{-\epsilon j}x)\| \\ &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |p^{\epsilon nj}| \|P(p^{-\epsilon j}x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |p^{\epsilon nj}| \delta \\ &= 0, \quad x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(x) = \mathcal{A}_0, x \in S.$ \square

3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of functional equations of the type (1.8) by using the operatorial approach. We present two cases for the space F . In the first part, we investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of functional equations of the type (1.8) where F is an Archimedean normed space over a valued field \mathbb{K} of characteristic zero and the second part gives us the Hyers-Ulam stability of functional equations of the type (1.8) on an ultrametric space F over an ultrametric valued field of characteristic zero. For this connection, see [14].

3.1. Part 1: Archimedean case

Theorem 3.1. *Let $a_\lambda \in S$, $\lambda \in \Phi$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f, h: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the inequality*

$$(3.1) \quad \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - h(y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $p: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that

1. $p(0) = 0$ and p is a solution of the equation

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Np(x) + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda), \quad x, y \in S.$$

2. p satisfies the conditions

$$(3.3) \quad \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S$$

and

$$(3.4) \quad \left\| h(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda x + a_\lambda) \right\| \leq (4N+9)\delta, \quad x \in S.$$

Proof. Putting $y = 0$ and $x = 0$ in (3.1) respectively, we obtain that

$$(3.5) \quad \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - h(0) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x \in S,$$

$$(3.6) \quad \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(0) - h(y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad y \in S.$$

Furthermore, using the inequalities (3.5) and (3.6), we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & N \cdot \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y) - Nf(x) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y) \right\| \\ & \leq \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| Nf(x + \lambda y) + h(0) - \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\mu) \right\| \\ & \quad + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(x + \mu \lambda y + a_\mu) - Nf(x) - h(\lambda y) \right\| \\ & \quad + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| h(\lambda y) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(\mu \lambda y + a_\mu) \right\| \\ & \quad + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(\lambda y + a_\mu) - Nf(\lambda y) - h(0) \right\| \\ & \leq 4N\delta, \quad x, y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by putting $f_0 = f - f(0)$, we get that f_0 satisfies the inequality (2.1) with 4δ instead of δ . In view of Theorem 2.1, there exists a generalized polynomial function p of degree at most N such that p satisfies the equation (2.2) and

$$(3.7) \quad \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S.$$

By the inequalities (3.6) and (3.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| h(y) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \right\| &\leq \|h(y) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y + a_\lambda)\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \|f(\lambda y + a_\lambda) - f(0) - p(\lambda y + a_\lambda)\| \\ &\leq \delta + N \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N} \\ &= (4N+9)\delta, \quad y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

To prove that p is a solution of (3.2), we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} \|p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) + f(0) - f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda)\| \\ &\quad + N \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| + \|h(y) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda)\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - h(y) \right\| \\ &\leq (4N+2)\delta + (4N+2)\delta + (4N+9)\delta + \delta \\ &= (12N+14)\delta, \quad x, y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

In the view of Lemma 2.1, for fixed $y \in S$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(0 + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \\ &= 0, \quad x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

To prove the uniqueness of p , let \bar{p} be a generalized polynomial function such that $\bar{p}(0) = 0$ and satisfies the inequality (3.3). Then we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \|p(x) - \bar{p}(x)\| &= \|p(x) - f(0) - f(x) + f(x) + f(0) - \bar{p}(x)\| \\ &\leq \|p(x) - f(0) - f(x)\| + \|f(x) + f(0) - \bar{p}(x)\| \\ &\leq \frac{8(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S \end{aligned}$$

and according to Lemma 2.1, we get that $p - \bar{p}$ is constant which ends the proof. \square

Corollary 3.1. *Let $a_\lambda \in S$, $\lambda \in \Phi$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the following inequality*

$$(3.8) \quad \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then there exists, up to a constant, a unique generalized polynomial function $P: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most $N-1$ such that P is a solution of the equation (1.6) and satisfies the following inequality

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S.$$

Proof. According to Theorem 3.1, there exists a unique generalized polynomial function P of degree at most N such that $P(0) = 0$ and satisfies the condition (3.3). And observe that the inequality (3.8) shows that $\|\sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} (f - f(0))(\lambda x)\|$ is bounded on S . Then, in view of [[6], Lemma 3.1] which is also valid in Archimedean case with $2^N \frac{\delta}{N}$ instead of $\frac{\delta}{|N|}$, the expression $\|\Delta_y^N (f - f(0))(x)\|$ is bounded on S . Consequently, according to Lemma 2.1, the generalized polynomial function P is of degree at most $N-1$. \square

Corollary 3.2. Let $a_\lambda \in S$, $\lambda \in \Phi$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the following inequality

$$\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $P: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that

1. P is a solution of equation (1.5).
2. P satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S.$$

Corollary 3.3. Let $a_\lambda \in S$, $\lambda \in \Phi$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the following inequality

$$\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - Nf(y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $P: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that P is a solution of equation (1.7) and satisfies the following inequality

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{4(N+2)\delta}{N}, \quad x \in S.$$

3.2. Non-Archimedean case

Theorem 3.2. Let Φ be a finite automorphism group of S , $N = \text{card}\Phi$, $a_\lambda \in S$, $\lambda \in \Phi$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $f, h: S \rightarrow F$ satisfy the inequality (3.1). Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $p: S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that

1. $p(0) = 0$ and p is a solution of equation (3.2).

2. p satisfies the conditions

$$(3.9) \quad \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x \in S$$

and

$$\left\| h(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda x + a_\lambda) \right\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x \in S.$$

Proof. Putting $y = 0$ and $x = 0$ in (3.1) respectively, we obtain (3.5) and (3.6). Furthermore, by using these inequalities we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & |N| \cdot \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y) - Nf(x) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y) \right\| \\ & \leq \max \left\{ \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| Nf(x + \lambda y) + h(0) - \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\mu) \right\|, \right. \\ & \quad \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(x + \mu \lambda y + a_\mu) - Nf(x) - h(\lambda y) \right\|, \\ & \quad \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| h(\lambda y) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(\mu \lambda y + a_\mu) \right\|, \\ & \quad \left. \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \left\| \sum_{\mu \in \Phi} f(\lambda y + a_\mu) - Nf(\lambda y) - h(0) \right\| \right\} \\ & \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by putting $f_0 = f - f(0)$, we get that f_0 satisfies the inequality (2.1) with $\frac{\delta}{|N|}$ instead of δ . In the view of Theorem 2.1, there exists a generalized polynomial function p of degree at most N such that p satisfies the equation (2.2) and

$$(3.10) \quad \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x \in S.$$

By the inequalities (3.6) and (3.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| h(y) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \right\| \leq \max \left\{ \left\| h(y) + Nf(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \right\|, \right. \\ & \left. \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \|f(\lambda y + a_\lambda) - f(0) - p(\lambda y + a_\lambda)\| \right\} \leq \max \left(\delta, \frac{\delta}{|N|^2} \right) = \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we prove that p is solution of (3.2). Indeed, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \right\| \\ & \leq \max \left\{ \max_{\lambda \in \Phi} \|p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) + f(0) - f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda)\|, \right. \\ & \quad \left. |N| \cdot \|f(x) - f(0) - p(x)\|, \|h(y) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda)\|, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - h(y) \right\| \right\} \\ & \leq \max\left(\frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \frac{\delta}{|N|}, \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \delta\right) = \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x, y \in S. \end{aligned}$$

In the view of Lemma 2.1, for fixed $y \in S$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) \\ & = \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(0 + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Np(0) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} p(\lambda y + a_\lambda) = 0, \quad x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

To prove the uniqueness of p , let \bar{p} be a generalized polynomial function such that $\bar{p}(0) = 0$ and satisfies the inequality (3.9). Then we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|p(x) - \bar{p}(x)\| = \|p(x) + f(0) - f(x) + f(x) - f(0) - \bar{p}(x)\| \\ & \leq \max\{\|p(x) + f(0) - f(x)\|, \|f(x) - f(0) - \bar{p}(x)\|\} \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x \in S \end{aligned}$$

and according to Lemma 2.1, we get that $p - \bar{p}$ is constant which ends the proof. \square

Corollary 3.4. *Let Φ be a finite subgroup of the group of automorphisms of S , $N = \text{card}(\Phi)$, $a_\lambda \in S$, ($\lambda \in \Phi$) and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Assume that $f : S \rightarrow F$ satisfies the following inequality*

$$\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) \right\| \leq \delta,$$

for all $x, y \in S$. Then there exists, up to a constant, a unique generalized polynomial function $P : S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most $N - 1$ such that P is a solution of the equation (1.6) and

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2} \quad \text{for all } x \in S.$$

Proof. The proof is analogous to the proof of Corollary 3.2. \square

Corollary 3.5. *Let Φ be a finite automorphism group of S , $N = \text{card}\Phi$, $a_\lambda \in S$ ($\lambda \in \Phi$), $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $f \in F^S$ such that*

$$\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y) \right\| \leq \delta, \quad x, y \in S.$$

Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $P \in F^S$ of degree at most N such that

1. P is a solution of the equation

$$\sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) = Nf(x) + \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(\lambda y), \quad x, y \in S.$$

2. P satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2}, \quad x \in S.$$

Corollary 3.6. *Let Φ be a finite subgroup of the group of automorphisms of S , $N = \text{card}(\Phi)$, $a_\lambda \in S$ and $(\lambda \in \Phi)$. Assume that $f : S \rightarrow F$ satisfies the following inequality*

$$\left\| \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi} f(x + \lambda y + a_\lambda) - Nf(x) - Nf(y) \right\| \leq \delta,$$

for all $x, y \in S$. Then there exists a unique generalized polynomial function $P : S \rightarrow F$ of degree at most N such that P is a solution of the equation (1.7) and

$$\|f(x) - P(x)\| \leq \frac{\delta}{|N|^2} \quad \text{for all } x \in S.$$

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