# 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

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

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) 
$$f(2x+y) + f(2x-y) = 2f(x+y) + 2f(x-y) + 12f(x)$$

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

and

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

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

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  $|r+s| \le \max\{|r|, |s|\}$  for all  $r, s \in K$ . Clearly |1| = |-1| = 1 and  $|n| \le 1$  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  $||\cdot|| : X \to K$  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,

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

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

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

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  $f : X \to Y$  satisfies the functional equation (1.2), then the mapping  $f : X \to Y$  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) 
$$f(4x) = 64f(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2.11) 
$$f(x+5y) + f(x-3y) + f(x-5y) + f(x+3y) = 16 [f(x+2y) + f(x-2y)] + 32f(x) - 30 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)]$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Further replacing y by x + y in (2.6), we obtain (2.12) 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) 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 f(5x + 4y) + f(5x - 4y) + f(-3x + 4y) + f(-3x - 4y)(2.14) = 16 [f(2x + y) + f(2x - y)] - 60 f(x)

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

$$f(4x + 5y) + f(-4x + 5y) + f(4x - 3y) + f(-4x - 3y)$$
  
= 16 [f(x + 2y) - f(x - 2y)] - 60 f(y)

(2.15) 
$$= 16 \left[ f(x+2y) - f(x-2y) \right] - 60f(y)$$

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

$$f(4x + 5y) - f(4x - 5y) + f(4x - 3y) - f(4x + 3y)$$

(2.16) 
$$= 16 \left[ f(x+2y) - f(x-2y) \right] - 60f(y)$$

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

(2.17) 
$$f(x+5y) - f(x-5y) + f(x-3y) - f(x+3y) = 16 [f(x+2y) - f(x-2y)] - 30 [f(x+y) - f(x-y)]$$

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

(2.18) 
$$f(4x+5y) - f(4x-5y) + f(4x-3y) - f(4x+3y) = 16 [f(4x+2y) - f(4x-2y)] - 30 [f(4x+y) - f(4x-y)]$$

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

(2.19) 
$$16 [f(x+2y) - f(x-2y) - 60f(x-2y)] = 16 [f(4x+2y) - f(4x-2y)] - 30 [f(4x+y) - f(4x-y)]$$

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

(2.20) 
$$16 [f(2x+y) - f(2x-y) - 60f(x)] = 16 [f(2x+4y) + f(2x-4y)] - 30 [f(x+4y) + f(x-4y)]$$

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

(2.21) 
$$f(2x+y) + f(2x-y) = [f(2x+4y) + f(2x-4y)] - 30 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)] + 60f(x)$$

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

(2.22) 
$$f(2x+4y) + f(2x-4y) = [f(2x+y) + f(2x-y)] + 30 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)] - 60f(x)$$

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

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

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

THEOREM 2.2. If an even mapping  $f : X \to Y$  satisfies the functional equation (1.4), then the mapping  $f : X \to Y$  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) 
$$f(4x) = 256f(x)$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Adding (2.8) and (2.28), we get

(2.29) 
$$f(x+5y) + f(x-3y) + f(x-5y) + f(x+3y)$$
$$= 16 [f(x+2y) + f(x-2y)] + 32f(x) - 30 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)] + 960f(y)$$

for all 
$$x, y \in X$$
. Replacing x by 4x in (2.29), we get  
(2.30)  $f(4x + 5y) + f(4x - 3y) + f(4x - 5y) + f(4x + 3y)$   
 $= 16 [f(4x + 2y) + f(4x - 2y)] + 32f(4x) - 30 [f(4x + y) + f(4x - y)] + 960f(y)$   
for all  $x, y \in X$ . Replacing y by  $x + y$  in (2.25), we obtain

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

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

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

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

(2.33) 
$$f(5x+4y) + f(-3x-4y) + f(5x-4y) + f(-3x+4y)$$
$$= 16 [f(2x+y) + f(2x-y)] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)]$$

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

$$(2.34) \qquad f(4x+5y) + f(4x+3y) + f(4x-5y) + f(4x-3y) \\ = 16 \left[ f(x+2y) + f(x-2y) \right] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480 \left[ f(x+y) + f(x-y) \right]$$

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

$$16 \left[ f(4x+2y) + f(4x-2y) \right] + 32f(4x) - 60 \left[ f(4x+y) + f(4x-y) \right] + 960f(y)$$
  
(2.35) 
$$= 16 \left[ f(x+2y) + f(x-2y) \right] + 32f(y) - 60f(x) + 480 \left[ f(x+y) + f(x-y) \right]$$

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

$$f(4x+2y) + f(4x-2y) - 60 [f(x+y) + f(x-y)] - [f(x+2y) + f(x-2y)]$$

$$(2.36) = 774f(x) - 120f(y)$$

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

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

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

(2.38) 
$$16 \left[ f(x+2y) - f(x-2y) \right] - 480f(y) + 480f(x) - 60 \left[ f(x+y) + f(x-y) \right] \\ - \left[ f(x+2y) - f(x-2y) \right] = 774f(x) - 120f(y)$$

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

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

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  $f: G \to X$ , we define the difference operator

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(3.45) 
$$\|\frac{f(4x)}{4^3} - f(x)\| \le \frac{\varphi(0,x)}{4^3}$$

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

(3.46) 
$$\|\frac{1}{4^{3n}}f(4^nx) - \frac{1}{4^{3(n-1)}}f(4^{n-1}x)\| \le \frac{\varphi(0, 4^{n-1}x)}{|4^{3n}|}$$

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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  $C(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{3n}}$ . Using induction, one can show that

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

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

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

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

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

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

for all  $x \in G$ . If

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

then C = D, and the proof is complete.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

which is denoted by  $\varphi_Q(x)$ . Suppose that  $f: G \to X$  is an even mapping satisfying (4.50)  $\|Df(x,y)\| \le \varphi(x,y)$ 

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(4.53) 
$$\|\frac{f(4x)}{4^4} - f(x)\| \le \frac{\varphi(0,x)}{4^4}$$

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

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

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  $Q(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(4^n x)}{4^{4n}}$ . Using induction, one can show that

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

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

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

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

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

for all  $x \in G$ . If

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

then Q = R, and the proof is complete.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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)\| \le \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  $Q: G \to X$  satisfying

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

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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