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# **On the Asymptoticity Aspect of Hyers-Ulam Stability of Quadratic Mappings**

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We investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of the quadratic functional equation on restricted domains. Applying these results, we study of an asymptotic behavior of these quadratic mappings.

### **1. Introduction**

The question concerning the stability of group homomorphisms was posed by Ulam [1]. Hyers [2] solved the case of approximately additive mappings on Banach spaces. Aoki [3] provided a generalization of the Hyers' theorem for additive mappings. In [4], Rassias generalized the result of Hyers for linear mappings by allowing the Cauchy difference to be unbounded (see also [5]). The result of Rassias has been generalized by Găvruța [6] who permitted the norm of the Cauchy difference f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y) to be bounded by a general control function under some conditions. This stability concept is also applied to the case of various functional equations by a number of authors. For more results on the stability of functional equations, see [7–32]. We also refer the readers to the books [33–37].

It is easy to see that the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = cx^2$  with *c* an arbitrary constant is a solution of the functional equation

$$f(x+y) + f(x-y) = 2f(x) + 2f(y).$$
(1.1)

So, it is natural that each equation is called a *quadratic functional* equation. In particular, every solution of the quadratic equation (1.1) is said to be a *quadratic function*. It is well known that

a function  $f : X \to Y$  between real vector spaces X and Y is quadratic if and only if there exists a unique symmetric biadditive function  $B : X \times X \to Y$  such that f(x) = B(x, x) for all  $x \in X$  (see [21, 33, 35]).

A stability theorem for the quadratic functional equation (1.1) was proved by Skof [38] for functions  $f : X \to Y$ , where X is a normed space and Y is a Banach space. Cholewa [11] noticed that the result of Skof holds (with the same proof) if X is replaced by an abelian group G. In [12], Czerwik generalized the result of Skof by allowing growth of the form  $\varepsilon \cdot (||x||^p +$  $||y||^p)$  for the norm of f(x + y) - f(x - y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y), where  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $p \neq 2$ . In 1998, Jung [39] investigated the Hyers-Ulam stability for additive and quadratic mappings on restricted domains (see also [40–42]). Rassias [43] investigated the Hyers-Ulam stability of mixed type mappings on restricted domains. In [44], the authors considered the asymptoticity of Hyers-Ulam stability close to the asymptotic derivability.

#### **2. Stability of** (1.1) **on Restricted Domains**

In this section, we investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.1) on a restricted domain. As an application, we use the result to the study of an asymptotic behavior of that equation.

**Theorem 2.1.** Given a real normed vector space X and a real Banach space Y, let  $\varepsilon, \delta, \theta \ge 0$  and M, p > 0 with  $0 be fixed. If a mapping <math>f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y)\| \le \psi(x,y),$$
(2.1)

for all  $x, y \in X$  such that  $||x||^p + ||y||^p \ge M^p$ , where  $\psi(x, y) = \delta + \varepsilon(||x||^{2p} + ||y||^{2p}) + \theta ||x||^p ||y||^p$ , then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q: X \to Y$  such that

$$\|Q(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{3\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{6} + \frac{2\varepsilon + \theta}{4 - 4^p} \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.2)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$  and  $Q(x) = \lim_{n\to\infty} (f(2^nx)/4^n)$ . Moreover, if f is measurable or if f(tx) is continuous in t for each fixed  $x \in X$ , then  $Q(tx) = t^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof.* Letting y = x in (2.1), we get

$$\|f(2x) - 4f(x) + f(0)\| \le \delta + (2\varepsilon + \theta) \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.3)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . If we put  $x \in X$  with ||x|| = M and y = 0 in (2.1), we obtain

$$\|f(0)\| \le \frac{\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{2}.$$
(2.4)

It follows from (2.3) and (2.4) that

$$\|f(2x) - 4f(x)\| \le \frac{3\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{2} + (2\varepsilon + \theta) \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.5)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . Replacing x by  $2^n x$  in (2.5), we infer the inequality

$$\left\|\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{4^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^nx)}{4^n}\right\| \le \frac{3\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{8 \times 4^n} + \frac{2\varepsilon + \theta}{4} \left(\frac{4^p}{4}\right)^n \|x\|^{2p},\tag{2.6}$$

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$  and all integers  $n \ge 0$ . Therefore,

$$\left\|\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{4^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^{m}x)}{4^{m}}\right\| \leq \sum_{k=m}^{n} \left\|\frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{4^{k+1}} - \frac{f(2^{k}x)}{4^{k}}\right\|$$

$$\leq \frac{3\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{8} \sum_{k=m}^{n} \frac{1}{4^{k}} + \frac{2\varepsilon + \theta}{4} \sum_{k=m}^{n} \left(\frac{4^{p}}{4}\right)^{k} \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.7)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$  and all integers  $n \ge m \ge 0$ . It follows from (2.7) that the sequence  $\{4^{-n}f(2^nx)\}$  converges for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . Let us denote  $\varphi(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (f(2^nx)/4^n)$  for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . It is clear that

$$\varphi(2x) = 4\varphi(x), \tag{2.8}$$

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . Letting m = 0 and  $n \to \infty$  in (2.7), we get

$$\|\varphi(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{3\delta + M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon}{6} + \frac{2\varepsilon + \theta}{4 - 4^p} \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.9)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ .

Now, suppose that  $x, y \in X$  such that  $||x||, ||y||, ||x \pm y|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ , then by (2.1) and the definition of  $\varphi$ , we obtain

$$\varphi(x+y) + \varphi(x-y) = 2\varphi(x) + 2\varphi(y). \tag{2.10}$$

We have to extend the mapping  $\varphi$  to the whole space X. Given any  $x \in X$  with  $0 < ||x|| < M/2^{1/p}$ , let k = k(x) denote the largest integer such that  $M/2^{1/p} \le 2^k ||x|| < M$ . Consider the mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  defined by Q(0) = 0 and

$$Q(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\varphi(2^{k}x)}{4^{k}} & \text{for } 0 < \|x\| < \frac{M}{2^{1/p}}, \text{ where } k = k(x), \\ \varphi(x) & \text{for } \|x\| \ge \frac{M}{2^{1/p}}. \end{cases}$$
(2.11)

Let  $x \in X$  with  $0 < ||x|| < M/2^{1/p}$  and let k = k(x). We have two cases.

*Case 1.* If  $2||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ , we have from (2.8) that

$$Q(2x) = \varphi(2x) = \frac{\varphi(4x)}{4} = \dots = \frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^{k-1}} = 4Q(x).$$
(2.12)

*Case 2.* If  $0 < 2||x|| < M/2^{1/p}$ , then k - 1 is the largest integer satisfying  $M/2^{1/p} \le 2^{k-1}||2x|| < M$ , and we have

$$Q(2x) = \frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^{k-1}} = 4\frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^k} = 4Q(x).$$
(2.13)

Therefore, Q(2x) = 4Q(x) for all  $x \in X$  with  $0 < ||x|| < M/2^{1/p}$ . From the definition of Q and (2.8), it follows that Q(2x) = 4Q(x) for all  $x \in X$ . Now, suppose that  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$  and choose a positive integer m such that  $||2^m x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . By the definition of Q and its property, we have

$$Q(x) = \frac{Q(2^m x)}{4^m} = \frac{\varphi(2^m x)}{4^m}.$$
(2.14)

So by the definition of  $\varphi$ , we have

$$Q(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^{m+n}x)}{4^{m+n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{4^n},$$
(2.15)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$ . Since Q(0) = 0, (2.15) holds true for x = 0. Let  $x, y \in X$  with  $x, y \neq 0$ . It follows from (2.1) and (2.15) that

$$Q(x+y) + Q(x-y) = 2Q(x) + 2Q(y).$$
(2.16)

Letting y = -x in (2.16), we get Q(-x) = Q(x) for all  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$ . Since Q(0) = 0, the same is true for x = 0. So, Q is even and this implies that (2.16) is true for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore, Q is quadratic. By the definition  $Q(x) = \varphi(x)$  when  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ , thus (2.2) follows from (2.9). To prove the uniqueness of Q, let  $T : X \to Y$  be another quadratic mapping satisfying (2.2) for all  $||x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ . Let  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$  and choose a positive integer m such that  $||2^m x|| \ge M/2^{1/p}$ , then

$$\|Q(2^{n}x) - T(2^{n}x)\| \leq \|Q(2^{n}x) - f(2^{n}x)\| + \|f(2^{n}x) - T(2^{n}x)\|$$

$$\leq \frac{M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon + 12\delta}{12} + \frac{2(2\varepsilon + \theta)4^{np}}{4 - 4^{p}} \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.17)

for all  $n \ge m$ . Since *Q* and *T* are quadratic, we get

$$\|Q(x) - T(x)\| \le \frac{M^{2p} \cdot \varepsilon + 12\delta}{12 \times 4^n} + \frac{2(2\varepsilon + \theta)}{4 - 4^p} \left(\frac{4^p}{4}\right)^n \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.18)

for all  $n \ge m$ . Therefore, Q(x) = T(x). Since Q(0) = T(0) = 0, we have Q(x) = T(x) for all  $x \in X$ . The proof of our last assertion follows from the proof of Theorem 1 in [12].

We now introduce one of the fundamental results of fixed point theory by Margolis and Diaz.

**Theorem 2.2** (see [22]). Let (E, d) be a complete generalized metric space and let  $J : E \to E$  be a strictly contractive mapping with Lipschitz constant 0 < L < 1. If there exists a nonnegative integer k such that  $d(J^kx, J^{k+1}x) < \infty$  for some  $x \in X$ , then the following are true:

- (1) the sequence  $\{J^n x\}$  converges to a fixed point  $x^*$  of J,
- (2)  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of J in

$$Y = \left\{ y \in E : d\left(J^k x, y\right) < \infty \right\},$$
(2.19)

(3)  $d(y, x^*) \le (1/(1-L))d(y, Jy)$  for all  $y \in Y$ .

By using the idea of Cădariu and Radu [45], we applied a fixed point method to the investigation of the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.1) on a restricted domain.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Given a real normed vector space* X *and a real Banach space* Y, *let* M > 0 *be fixed and let*  $f : X \to Y$  *be a mapping which satisfies the inequality* (2.1) *for all*  $x, y \in S := \{(x, y) \in X \times X : \|x\|, \|y\|, \|x \pm y\| \ge M\}$ , where  $\varphi(x, y) : X \times X \to Y$  *is a function such that* 

$$\psi(2x, 2y) \le 4L\psi(x, y), \tag{2.20}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where 0 < L < 1 is a constant number, then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q: X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|Q(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{1}{1 - L}\sigma(x),$$
(2.21)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M$ , where

$$\sigma(x) := \frac{1}{8} \left[ \psi(5x, x) + \psi(4x, 2x) + 2\psi(4x, x) + 5\psi(3x, x) + 8\psi(2x, x) \right]$$
(2.22)

and  $Q(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (f(2^n x)/4^n)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, if f is measurable or if f(tx) is continuous in t for each fixed  $x \in X$ , then  $Q(tx) = t^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof.* It follows from (2.20) that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\psi(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} = 0,$$
(2.23)

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Let  $y \in X_M := \{x \in X : ||x|| \ge M\}$ . Letting x = ky for k = 2, 3, 4, 5 in (2.1), we get the following inequalities:

$$\|f(3y) - 2f(2y) - f(y)\| \le \psi(2y, y), \tag{2.24}$$

$$\|f(4y) - 2f(3y) + f(2y) - 2f(y)\| \le \psi(3y, y), \tag{2.25}$$

$$\|f(5y) - 2f(4y) + f(3y) - 2f(y)\| \le \psi(4y, y), \tag{2.26}$$

$$\|f(6y) - 2f(5y) + f(4y) - 2f(y)\| \le \psi(5y, y).$$
(2.27)

It follows from (2.24) and (2.25) that

$$\|f(4y) - 3f(2y) - 4f(y)\| \le 2\psi(2y, y) + \psi(3y, y).$$
(2.28)

By (2.26) and (2.27), we have

$$\|f(6y) - 3f(4y) + 2f(3y) - 6f(y)\| \le 2\psi(4y, y) + \psi(5y, y).$$
(2.29)

It follows from (2.25) and (2.29) that

$$\|f(6y) - 2f(4y) + f(2y) - 8f(y)\| \le \psi(5y, y) + 2\psi(4y, y) + \psi(3y, y).$$
(2.30)

Using (2.28) and (2.30), we have

$$\|f(6y) - 5f(2y) - 16f(y)\| \le \psi(5y, y) + 2\psi(4y, y) + 3\psi(3y, y) + 4\psi(2y, y).$$
(2.31)

By (2.24), we get

$$\|f(6y) - 2f(4y) - f(2y)\| \le \psi(4y, 2y).$$
(2.32)

Hence, we obtain from (2.31) and (2.32) that

$$\|2f(4y) - 4f(2y) - 16f(y)\| \le \psi(5y, y) + \psi(4y, 2y) + 2\psi(4y, y) + 3\psi(3y, y) + 4\psi(2y, y).$$
(2.33)

So, it follows from (2.28) and (2.33) that

$$\left\|\frac{f(2y)}{4} - f(y)\right\| \le \sigma(y),\tag{2.34}$$

for all  $y \in X_M$ . Let  $E := \{h : X_M \to Y\}$ . We introduce a generalized metric on *E* as follows:

$$d(h,k) := \inf\{C \in [0,\infty] : \|h(x) - k(x)\| \le C\sigma(x) \, \forall x \in X_M \}.$$
(2.35)

We assert that (E, d) is a generalized complete metric space. Let  $\{h_n\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in (E, d) and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given, then there exists an integer N such that  $d(h_m, h_n) \le \varepsilon$  for all  $m, n \ge N$ . This implies that  $||h_m(x) - h_n(x)|| \le \varepsilon \sigma(x)$  for all  $x \in X_M$  and all  $m, n \ge N$ . Therefore,  $\{h_n(x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in Y for all  $x \in X_M$ . Since Y is a Banach space,  $\{h_n(x)\}$  converges for all  $x \in X_M$ . Thus, we can define a function  $h : X_M \to Y$  by

$$h(x) \coloneqq \lim_{n \to \infty} h_n(x). \tag{2.36}$$

Since

$$\|h_m(x) - h(x)\| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|h_m(x) - h_n(x)\| \le \varepsilon \sigma(x),$$
(2.37)

for all  $x \in X_M$  and all  $m \ge N$ , we get  $d(h_m, h) \le \varepsilon$  for all  $m \ge N$ . That is, the Cauchy sequence  $\{h_n\}$  converges to h in (E, d). Hence, (E, d) is complete. We now consider the mapping  $\Lambda$  :  $E \rightarrow E$  defined by

$$(\Lambda h)(x) = \frac{1}{4}h(2x), \quad \forall h \in E, \ x \in X_M.$$

$$(2.38)$$

Let  $h, k \in E$  and let  $C \in [0, \infty]$  be an arbitrary constant with  $d(h, k) \leq C$ . From the definition of d, we have

$$||h(x) - k(x)|| \le C\sigma(x),$$
 (2.39)

for all  $x \in X_M$ . By the assumption (2.20) and the last inequality, we have

$$\|(\Lambda h)(x) - (\Lambda k)(x)\| = \frac{1}{4} \|h(2x) - k(2x)\| \le \frac{C}{4}\sigma(2x) \le CL\sigma(x),$$
(2.40)

for all  $x \in X_M$ . So  $d(\Lambda h, \Lambda k) \leq Ld(h, k)$ . That is,  $\Lambda$  is a strictly contractive on E. It follows from (2.34) that  $d(\Lambda f, f) \leq 1$ . Therefore, according to Theorem 2.2, there exists a function  $\varphi \in E$  such that the sequence  $\{\Lambda^n f\}$  converges to  $\varphi$  and  $\Lambda \varphi = \varphi$ . Indeed,

$$\varphi: X_M \to Y, \quad \varphi(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (\Lambda^n f)(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{4^n}$$
 (2.41)

and  $\varphi(2x) = 4\varphi(x)$ , for all  $x \in X_M$ . Also,  $\varphi$  is the unique fixed point of  $\Lambda$  in the set  $E^* = \{h \in E : d(f, h) < \infty\}$  and

$$d(\varphi, f) \le \frac{1}{1-L} d(\Lambda f, f) \le \frac{1}{1-L}.$$
(2.42)

By (2.1), (2.23) and using the definition of  $\varphi$ , we get

$$\varphi(x+y) + \varphi(x-y) = 2\varphi(x) + 2\varphi(y), \qquad (2.43)$$

for all  $(x, y) \in S$ . We will define a mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  such that  $Q|_{X_M} = \varphi$ . Similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1 for a given  $x \in X$  with 0 < ||x|| < M, let k = k(x) denote the largest integer such that  $M/2 \le 2^k ||x|| < M$ . Consider the mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  defined by Q(0) = 0 and

$$Q(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\varphi(2^{k}x)}{4^{k}} & \text{for } 0 < \|x\| < M, \text{ where } k = k(x), \\ \varphi(x) & \text{for } \|x\| \ge M. \end{cases}$$
(2.44)

Let  $x \in X$  with 0 < ||x|| < M and let k = k(x). We have two cases.

*Case 1.*  $2||x|| \ge M$ . Since  $\varphi(2x) = 4\varphi(x)$  for all  $x \in X_M$ , we have

$$Q(2x) = \varphi(2x) = \frac{\varphi(4x)}{4} = \dots = \frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^{k-1}} = 4Q(x).$$
(2.45)

*Case 2.* If 0 < 2||x|| < M, then k - 1 is the largest integer satisfying  $M/2 \le 2^{k-1}||2x|| < M$ , and we have

$$Q(2x) = \frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^{k-1}} = 4\frac{\varphi(2^k x)}{4^k} = 4Q(x).$$
(2.46)

Therefore, Q(2x) = 4Q(x) for all  $x \in X$  with 0 < ||x|| < M. Using  $\varphi(2x) = 4\varphi(x)$  for all  $x \in X_M$ and the definition of Q, we get that Q(2x) = 4Q(x) for all  $x \in X$ . Now, suppose that  $x \in X$ with  $x \neq 0$  and choose a positive integer m such that  $||2^m x|| \ge M$ . By the definition of Q and its property, we have

$$Q(x) = \frac{Q(2^m x)}{4^m} = \frac{\varphi(2^m x)}{4^m}.$$
(2.47)

So by the definition of  $\varphi$ , we have

$$Q(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^{m+n}x)}{4^{m+n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{4^n},$$
(2.48)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$ . Since Q(0) = 0, (2.48) holds true for x = 0. Let  $x, y \in X$  with x, y,  $x \pm y \neq 0$ . It follows from (2.1), (2.23), and (2.48) that

$$Q(x+y) + Q(x-y) = 2Q(x) + 2Q(y).$$
(2.49)

Since Q(0) = 0 and Q(2x) = 4Q(x) for all  $x \in X$ , we conclude that (2.49) is true for all  $y \in \{0, x\}$ . Let  $y \in X$  with  $y \neq 0$ . Putting x = 2y in (2.49), we get Q(3y) = 9Q(y). Therefore, by letting y = 2x in (2.49), we get Q(-x) = Q(x) for all  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$ . Since Q(0) = 0, the same is true for x = 0. So, Q is even and this implies that (2.49) is true for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore, Q is quadratic. To prove the uniqueness of Q, let  $T : X \to Y$  be another quadratic

mapping satisfying (2.21), for all  $||x|| \ge M$ . Let  $x \in X$  with  $x \ne 0$  and choose a positive integer m such that  $||2^m x|| \ge M$ , then

$$\|Q(2^{n}x) - T(2^{n}x)\| \le \|Q(2^{n}x) - f(2^{n}x)\| + \|f(2^{n}x) - T(2^{n}x)\| \le \frac{2}{1-L}\sigma(2^{n}x),$$
(2.50)

for all  $n \ge m$ . Since *Q* and *T* are quadratic, we get

$$\|Q(x) - T(x)\| \le \frac{2}{1 - L} \times \frac{\sigma(2^n x)}{4^n},$$
(2.51)

for all  $n \ge m$ . Therefore, (2.23) implies that Q(x) = T(x). Since Q(0) = T(0) = 0, we have Q(x) = T(x) for all  $x \in X$ . Our last assertion is trivial in view of Theorem 2.1.

**Corollary 2.4.** *Given a real normed vector space* X *and a real Banach space* Y, *let*  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\theta \ge 0$  *and* M, p > 0 *with* 0*be fixed. Suppose that a mapping* $<math>f : X \to Y$  *satisfies the inequality* (2.1) *for all*  $(x, y) \in S$ , *then there exists a unique quadratic mapping*  $Q : X \to Y$  *such that* 

$$\|Q(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{1}{2(4-4^p)} [17\delta + (25^p + 3 \times 16^p + 5 \times 9^p + 9 \times 4^p + 16)\varepsilon + (8^p + 5^p + 2 \times 4^p + 5 \times 3^p + 8 \times 2^p)\theta] \|x\|^{2p},$$
(2.52)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M$  and  $Q(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (f(2^n x)/4^n)$ . Moreover, if f is measurable or if f(tx) is continuous in t for each fixed  $x \in X$ , then  $Q(tx) = t^2Q(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Remark* 2.5. We may replace the condition (2.20) by

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\psi(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} = 0 \quad (x, y) \in S,$$
  
$$\widetilde{\psi}(x, y) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\psi(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} < \infty,$$
(2.53)

for all  $y \in X$  and  $x \in \{2y, 3y, 4y, 5y\}$ . Using the direct method, there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  such that

$$\|Q(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{1}{8} \left[ \tilde{\psi}(5x, x) + \tilde{\psi}(4x, 2x) + 2\tilde{\psi}(4x, x) + 5\tilde{\psi}(3x, x) + 8\tilde{\psi}(2x, x) \right],$$
(2.54)

for all  $x \in X$  with  $||x|| \ge M$ . For the case  $\psi(x, y) = \delta + \varepsilon(||x||^{2p} + ||y||^{2p}) + \theta ||x||^p ||y||^p$ , where  $\delta, \varepsilon, \theta \ge 0$  and 0 , we have

$$\|Q(x) - f(x)\| \le \frac{17}{6}\delta + \frac{1}{2(4-4^p)} [(25^p + 3 \times 16^p + 5 \times 9^p + 9 \times 4^p + 16)\varepsilon + (8^p + 5^p + 2 \times 4^p + 5 \times 3^p + 8 \times 2^p)\theta] \|x\|^{2p}.$$
(2.55)

Using ideas from the papers [39, 43], we prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of (1.1) on restricted domains. We first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.6.** *Given a real normed vector space* X *and a real Banach space* Y, *let* M, p > 0 *and*  $\delta, \epsilon \ge 0$  *be fixed. If a mapping*  $f : X \to Y$  *satisfies the inequality* 

$$\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y)\| \le \delta + \varepsilon (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p),$$
(2.56)

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||x||^p + ||y||^p \ge M^p$ , then

$$\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y) - f(0)\| \le \phi(x,y),$$
(2.57)

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where

$$\phi(x,y) := \frac{1}{2} \Big[ 9\delta + (16^p + 4 \times 9^p + 8 \times 4^p) M^{2p} \varepsilon + \varepsilon \big( \|x - y\|^p + 2\|x\|^p + 2\|y\|^p \big) \Big].$$
(2.58)

*Proof.* Assume that  $||x||^p + ||y||^p < M^p$ . If x = y = 0, then we choose a  $t \in X$  with ||t|| = M. Otherwise, let

$$t = \begin{cases} (\|x\| + M) \frac{x}{\|x\|} & \text{if } \|x\| \ge \|y\|, \\ (\|y\| + M) \frac{y}{\|y\|} & \text{if } \|y\| \ge \|x\|. \end{cases}$$
(2.59)

It is clear that  $||t|| \ge M$  and

$$\|x - t\|^{p} + \|y + t\|^{p} \ge \max\{\|x - t\|^{p}, \|y + t\|^{p}\} \ge M^{p}, \|x - y\|^{p} + \|2t\|^{p} \ge \|t\|^{p} \ge M^{p}, \|x + t\|^{p} + \|t - y\|^{p} \ge \max\{\|x + t\|^{p}, \|t - y\|^{p}\} \ge M^{p}, \min\{\|x\|^{p} + \|t\|^{p}, \|y\|^{p} + \|t\|^{p}, \|t\|^{p} + \|t\|^{p}\} \ge \|t\|^{p} \ge M^{p}.$$

$$(2.60)$$

Also

$$\max\{\|x-t\|, \|x+t\|, \|y-t\|, \|y+t\|\} < 3M, \quad \|t\| < 2M.$$
(2.61)

Therefore,

$$2[f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y) - f(0)]$$
  
=  $[f(x+y) + f(x-y-2t) - 2f(x-t) - 2f(y+t)]$   
-  $[f(x-y-2t) + f(x-y+2t) - 2f(x-y) - 2f(2t)]$   
+  $[f(x-y+2t) + f(x+y) - 2f(x+t) - 2f(t-y)]$  (2.62)  
+  $2[f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x) - 2f(t)]$   
+  $2[f(t+y) + f(t-y) - 2f(t) - 2f(y)]$   
-  $2[f(2t) + f(0) - 2f(t) - 2f(t)].$ 

So, we get

$$2\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y) - f(0)\|$$
  

$$\leq 9\delta + (16^{p} + 4 \times 9^{p} + 8 \times 4^{p})M^{2p}\varepsilon + \varepsilon(\|x-y\|^{p} + 2\|x\|^{p} + 2\|y\|^{p}).$$
(2.63)

So, *f* satisfies (2.57) for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Given a real normed vector space X and a real Banach space Y, let  $\delta, \epsilon \ge 0$  and M, p > 0 with  $0 be given. Assume that a mapping <math>f : X \to Y$  satisfies the inequality (2.56) for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||x||^p + ||y||^p \ge M^p$ , then there exists a unique quadratic mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  such that  $Q(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 4^{-n} f(2^n x)$  and

$$\|f(x) - Q(x)\| \le \frac{1}{6} \Big[ 9\delta + (16^p + 4 \times 9^p + 8 \times 4^p) M^{2p} \varepsilon \Big] + \frac{2\varepsilon}{4 - 2^p} \|x\|^p,$$
(2.64)

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.6, f satisfies (2.57) for all  $x, y \in X$ . Letting y = x in (2.57), we get

$$\left\|\frac{f(2x)}{4} - f(x)\right\| \le K + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|x\|^p, \tag{2.65}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where

$$K := \frac{1}{8} \Big[ 9\delta + (16^p + 4 \times 9^p + 8 \times 4^p) M^{2p} \varepsilon \Big].$$
(2.66)

We can use the argument given in the proof of Theorem 2.1 to arrive the inequality

$$\left\|\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{4^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^mx)}{4^m}\right\| \le K \sum_{k=m}^n \frac{1}{4^k} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \sum_{k=m}^n \left(\frac{2^p}{4}\right)^k \|x\|^p,$$
(2.67)

for all  $x \in X$  and all integers  $n \ge m \ge 0$ . It follows from (2.67) that the sequence  $\{4^{-n}f(2^nx)\}$  converges for all  $x \in X$ . So, we can define the mapping  $Q : X \to Y$  by  $Q(x) = \lim_{n\to\infty} (f(2^nx)/4^n)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Letting m = 0 and  $n \to \infty$  in (2.67), we get (2.64).

For the case  $\varepsilon = 0$  and p = 1 in Theorem 2.7, it is obvious that our inequality (2.64) is sharper than the corresponding inequalities of Jung [39] and Rassias [43].

Skof [38] has proved an asymptotic property of the additive mappings, and Jung [39] has proved an asymptotic property of the quadratic mappings (see also [41]). Using the method in [39], the proof of the following corollary follows from Theorem 2.7 by letting  $\varepsilon = 0$  and p = 1.

**Corollary 2.8** (see [39]). *Given a real normed vector space* X *and a real Banach space* Y*, a mapping*  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies (1.1) *if and only if the asymptotic condition* 

$$\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y)\| \longrightarrow 0 \quad as \ \|x\| + \|y\| \longrightarrow \infty$$

$$(2.68)$$

holds true.

#### 3. *p*-Asymptotically Quadratic Mappings

We apply our results to the study of *p*-asymptotical derivatives. Let *X* be a real normed vector space and let *Y* be a real Banach space *Y*. Let 0 be arbitrary.

*Definition 3.1.* A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is called *p*-asymptotically close to a mapping  $T : X \to Y$  if and only if  $\lim_{\|x\|\to\infty} (\|f(x) - T(x)\| / \|x\|^p) = 0$ .

Definition 3.2. A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is called *p*-asymptotically derivable if the mapping f is *p*-asymptotically close to a quadratic mapping  $Q : X \to Y$ . In this case, we say that Q is a *p*-asymptotical derivative of f.

*Definition 3.3.* A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  is called *p*-asymptotically quadratic if and only if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\|f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x) - 2f(y)\| \le \varepsilon (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p), \tag{3.1}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||x||, ||y||, ||x \pm y|| \ge \delta$ .

*Definition 3.4.* A mapping  $T : X \to Y$  is called *quadratic outside a ball* if there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that T(x + y) + T(x - y) = 2T(x) + 2T(y) for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $||x||, ||y||, ||x \pm y|| \ge \delta$ .

We have the following result.

**Theorem 3.5.** If  $T : X \to Y$  is quadratic outside a ball and  $f : X \to Y$  is *p*-asymptotically close to *T*, then *f* is *p*-asymptotically quadratic.

The following result follows from Corollary 2.4.

**Corollary 3.6.** *If*  $T : X \to Y$  *is quadratic outside a ball and*  $f : X \to Y$  *is p-asymptotically close to* T*, then* f *has a* p*-asymptotical derivative.* 

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