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Hyers-Ulam Stability of a Bi-Jensen Functional Equation on a Punctured Domain

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We obtain the Hyers-Ulam stability of a bi-Jensen functional equation: $2f((x+y)/2, z) - f(x, z) - f(y, z) = 0$ and simultaneously $2f(x, (y+z)/2) - f(x, y) - f(x, z) = 0$. And we get its stability on the punctured domain.

1. Introduction

In 1940, Ulam [1] raised a question concerning the stability of homomorphisms: let G_1 be a group and let 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

$$d(h(xy), h(x)h(y)) < \delta \quad (1.1)$$

for all $x, y \in G_1$, then there is a homomorphism $H : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ with

$$d(h(x), H(x)) < \varepsilon \quad (1.2)$$

for all $x \in G_1$? The case of approximately additive mappings was solved by Hyers [2] under the assumption that G_1 and G_2 are Banach spaces. In 1949, 1950, and 1978, Bourgin [3], Aoki [4], and Rassias [5] gave a generalization of it under the conditions bounded by variables. Since then, the further generalization has been extensively investigated by a number of mathematicians, such as Găvruta, Rassias, and so forth, [6–25].

Throughout this paper, let X be a normed space and Y a Banach space. A mapping $g : X \rightarrow Y$ is called a Jensen mapping if g satisfies the functional equation $2g((x+y)/2) = g(x) + g(y)$. For a given mapping $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$, we define

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 f(x, y, z) &:= 2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, z\right) - f(x, z) - f(y, z), \\ J_2 f(x, y, z) &:= 2f\left(x, \frac{y+z}{2}\right) - f(x, y) - f(x, z) \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. A mapping $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ is called a bi-Jensen mapping if f satisfies the functional equations $J_1 f = 0$ and $J_2 f = 0$.

In 2006, Bae and Park [26] obtained the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of a bi-Jensen mapping. The following result is a special case of Theorem 6 in [26].

Theorem A. *Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_1 f(x, y, z)\| &\leq \varepsilon, \\ \|J_2 f(x, y, z)\| &\leq \varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. Then there exist two bi-Jensen mappings $F, F_0 : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x, y) - f(0, y) - F(x, y)\| &\leq \varepsilon, \\ \|f(x, y) - f(x, 0) - F_0(x, y)\| &\leq \varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

In Theorem A, they did not show that there exist a $k \in \mathbb{R}$ and a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that $\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq k\varepsilon$ for all $x, y \in X$. In 2008, Jun et al. [7, 8] improved Bae and Park's results.

In Section 2, we show that there exists a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that $\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq 4\varepsilon$ for all $x, y \in X$. In Section 3, we investigate the Hyers-Ulam stability of a bi-Jensen functional equation on the punctured domain.

2. Stability of a Bi-Jensen Functional Equation

From Lemma 1 in [8], we get the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. *Let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a bi-Jensen mapping. Then*

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{4^n} f(2^n x, 2^n y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{4^n}\right) (f(2^n x, 0) + f(0, 2^n y)) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^n}\right)^2 f(0, 0) \quad (2.1)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now we will give the Hyers-Ulam stability for a bi-Jensen mapping.

Theorem 2.2. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping satisfying (1.4) for all $x, y, z \in X$. Then there exists a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq 4\varepsilon \quad (2.2)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ with $F(0, 0) = f(0, 0)$. In particular, the mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ is given by

$$F(x, y) := \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{4^j} f(2^j x, 2^j y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^j} - \frac{1}{4^j} \right) (f(2^j x, 0) + f(0, 2^j y)) \right] + f(0, 0) \quad (2.3)$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

Proof. Let f_j be the map defined by

$$f_j(x, y) = \frac{f(2^j x, 2^j y)}{4^j} + \left(\frac{1}{2^j} - \frac{1}{4^j} \right) (f(2^j x, 0) + f(0, 2^j y)) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{j-1}} + \frac{1}{4^j} \right) f(0, 0) \quad (2.4)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $j \in \mathbb{N}$. By (1.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_j(x, y) - f_{j+1}(x, y)\| &= \left\| \frac{J_1 f(2^{j+1} x, 0, 0)}{2^{j+1}} + \frac{J_1 f(2^{j+1} x, 0, 2^{j+1} y)}{2 \cdot 4^{j+1}} + \frac{J_1 f(2^{j+1} x, 0, 2^j y)}{4^{j+1}} \right. \\ &\quad - \frac{3J_1 f(2^{j+1} x, 0, 0)}{2 \cdot 4^{j+1}} + \frac{J_2 f(0, 0, 2^{j+1} y)}{2^{j+1}} + \frac{J_2 f(2^{j+1} x, 0, 2^{j+1} y)}{2 \cdot 4^{j+1}} \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{J_2 f(2^j x, 0, 2^{j+1} y)}{4^{j+1}} - \frac{3J_2 f(0, 0, 2^{j+1} y)}{2 \cdot 4^{j+1}} \right\| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{2^j} + \frac{3}{2 \cdot 4^j} \right) \varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $j \in \mathbb{N}$. For given integers l, m with $0 \leq l < m$, we obtain

$$\|f_l(x, y) - f_m(x, y)\| \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \left(\frac{1}{2^j} + \frac{3}{2 \cdot 4^j} \right) \varepsilon \quad (2.6)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. By the above inequality, the sequence $\{f_j(x, y)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence for all $x, y \in X$. Since Y is complete, the sequence $\{f_j(x, y)\}$ converges for all $x, y \in X$. Define $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$F(x, y) := \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f_j(x, y) \quad (2.7)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Putting $l = 0$ and taking $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.6), we obtain the inequality

$$\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq 4\varepsilon \quad (2.8)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. By (1.4) and the definition of F , we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 F(x, y, z) &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4^j} J_1 f(2^j x, 2^j y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^j} - \frac{1}{4^j}\right) (J_1 f(2^j x, 0) + J_1 f(0, 2^j y)) = 0, \\ J_2 F_3(x, y, z) &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4^j} J_2 f(2^j x, 2^j y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^j} - \frac{1}{4^j}\right) (J_2 f(2^j x, 0) + J_2 f(0, 2^j y)) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. So F is a bi-Jensen mapping satisfying (2.2). Now, let $F' : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be another bi-Jensen mapping satisfying (2.2) with $F'(0, 0) = f(0, 0)$. By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|F(x, y) - F'(x, y)\| \\ &= \left\| \frac{(F - F')(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} + \left(\frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{4^n}\right) ((F - F')(2^n x, 0) + (F - F')(0, 2^n y)) \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{(F - f)(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{(F - f)(0, 2^n y)}{2^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{(F - f)(2^n x, 0)}{2^n} \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{(f - F')(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{(f - F')(0, 2^n y)}{2^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{(f - F')(2^n x, 0)}{2^n} \right\| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{2^{n-2}} + \frac{1}{4^{n-1}}\right) \varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. As $n \rightarrow \infty$, we may conclude that $F(x, y) = F'(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$. Thus the bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ is unique. $\square$

Example 2.3. Let $f, F, F' : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the bi-Jensen mappings defined by

$$f(x, y) := 0, \quad F(x, y) := \varepsilon, \quad F'(x, y) := -\varepsilon \quad (2.11)$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then f, F, F' satisfy (1.4) for all $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. In addition, f, F satisfy (2.2) for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and f, F' also satisfy (2.2) for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. But we get $F' \neq F$. Hence the condition $F(0, 0) = f(0, 0)$ is necessary to show that the mapping F is unique.

3. Stability of a Bi-Jensen Functional Equation on the Punctured Domain

Let A be a subset of X . $X \setminus A$ and $(X \times X) \setminus (A \times A)$ are punctured domain on the spaces X and $(X \times X)$, respectively.

Throughout this paper, for a given mapping $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$, let $f_1, A_1, A_2 : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be the mappings defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x, y) &:= \frac{f(x, y) - f(-x, y) - f(x, -y) + f(-x, -y)}{4}, \\ A_1(x, y) &:= \sum_{m=0}^1 \sum_{n=0}^1 (-1)^{m+n} J_1 f((-1)^m x, (-1)^n \cdot 3x, y), \\ A_2(x, y) &:= \sum_{m=0}^1 \sum_{n=0}^1 (-1)^{m+n} J_2 f(x, (-1)^m \cdot 3y, (-1)^n y) \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

Lemma 3.1. *Let A be a subset of X satisfying the following condition: for every $x \neq 0$, there exists a positive integer n_x such that $kx \notin A$ for all integer k with $|k| \geq n_x$, and such that $kx \in A$ for all integer k with $|k| < n_x$. Let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping such that*

$$J_1 f(x, y, z) = 0, \quad J_2 f(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (3.2)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X \setminus A$. Then there exists a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$F(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad (3.3)$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. Moreover, the equality

$$F(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad (3.4)$$

holds for all $(x, y) \in (X \times X) \setminus (A \times A)$.

Proof. Note that $J_1 f(x, y, z) = 0$, $J_2 f(x, y, z) = 0$, $A_1(x, y) = 0$, and $A_2(x, y) = 0$ for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. Let $((f(0, y) + f(0, -y))/2) = c \in Y$ for any $y \in X \setminus A$. From (3.2), we get the equality

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, y) + f(0, -y) &= f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0) + \frac{1}{2} (J_1 f(x, -x, y) + J_1 f(x, -x, -y) - J_2 f(x, y, -y) \\ &\quad - J_2 f(-x, y, -y)) \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$, and we know that the equality

$$\frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} = \frac{f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0)}{2} = c \quad (3.6)$$

holds for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. From (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1(x, y) &= \frac{f_1(2x, y)}{2} + \frac{A_1(x, y)}{16} - \frac{A_1(x, -y)}{16}, \\
 \frac{f_1(2x, y)}{2} &= \frac{f_1(2x, 2y)}{4} + \frac{A_2(2x, y)}{32} - \frac{A_2(-2x, y)}{32}, \\
 f(x, y) &= \frac{f(0, y) - f(0, -y)}{2} + \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} + \frac{f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)}{2} \\
 &\quad + f_1(x, y) - \frac{1}{4}(2J_1f(x, -x, y) + J_2f(x, y, -y) - J_2f(-x, y, -y)), \\
 f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0) &= \frac{f(2x, 0) - f(-2x, 0)}{2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{8}(4J_2f(x, y, -y) - 4J_1f(-x, y, -y) - 2J_1f(2x, y, -y) \\
 &\quad + 2J_1f(-2x, y, -y) + A_1(x, y) + A_1(x, -y)), \\
 f(0, y) - f(0, -y) &= \frac{f(0, 2y) - f(0, -2y)}{2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{8}(4J_1f(x, -x, y) - 4J_1f(x, -x, -y) - 2J_1f(x, -x, 2y) \\
 &\quad + 2J_1f(x, -x, -2y) + A_2(x, y) + A_2(-x, y))
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. From the above equalities, we obtain the equalities

$$f_1(x, y) = \frac{f_1(2x, y)}{2}, \tag{3.8}$$

$$f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0) = \frac{f(2x, 0) - f(-2x, 0)}{2}, \tag{3.9}$$

$$f(0, y) - f(0, -y) = \frac{f(0, 2y) - f(0, -2y)}{2}, \tag{3.10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1(x, y) &= \frac{f_1(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n}, \\
 f(x, 0) &= \frac{f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)}{2} + \frac{f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0)}{2} = \frac{f(2^n x, 0) - f(-2^n x, 0)}{2^{n+1}} + c, \\
 f(0, y) &= \frac{f(0, y) - f(0, -y)}{2} + \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} = \frac{f(0, 2^n y) - f(0, -2^n y)}{2^{n+1}} + c, \\
 f(x, y) &= \frac{f_1(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} + \frac{f(0, 2^n y) - f(0, -2^n y) + f(2^n x, 0) - f(-2^n x, 0)}{2^{n+1}} + c
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let A_x be the set defined by $A_x = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid nx \notin A\}$ for each $x \neq 0$. From the above equalities, we can define $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$F(x, y) := \begin{cases} \frac{f_1(2^k x, 2^k y)}{4^k} + \frac{f(0, 2^k y) - f(0, -2^k y) + f(2^k x, 0) - f(-2^k x, 0)}{2^{k+1}} + c, & \text{for some } 2^k \in A_x \cap A_y \text{ if } x, y \neq 0, \\ \frac{f(2^k x, 0) - f(-2^k x, 0)}{2^{k+1}} + c, & \text{for some } 2^k \in A_x \text{ if } x \neq 0, y = 0, \\ \frac{f(0, 2^k y) - f(0, -2^k y)}{2^{k+1}} + c & \text{for some } 2^k \in A_y \text{ if } x = 0, y \neq 0, \\ c & \text{if } x, y = 0. \end{cases} \quad (3.12)$$

From the definition of F , we get the equalities

$$F(x, y) = f(x, y), \quad F(0, y) = f(0, y), \quad F(x, 0) = f(x, 0) \quad (3.13)$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. By (3.10), we get the equality

$$f(x, y) - F(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[J_2 f(x, (2^k + 2)y, -2^k y) - J_2 F(x, (2^k + 2)y, -2^k y) \right] = 0 \quad (3.14)$$

for all $x \in X \setminus A$ and $y \neq 0$, where $2^k \in A_y$. And also we get the equality

$$f(x, y) - F(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[J_1 f((2^k + 2)x, -2^k x, y) - J_1 F((2^k + 2)x, -2^k x, y) \right] = 0 \quad (3.15)$$

for all $x \neq 0$ and $y \in X \setminus A$, where $2^k \in A_x$. Hence the equality

$$f(x, y) = F(x, y) \quad (3.16)$$

holds for all $(x, y) \in (X \times X) \setminus (A \times A)$. From (3.8), (3.9), (3.10), and the definition of F , we easily get

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 F(x, -x, y) &= 0, & J_1 F(x, -x, 0) &= 0, & J_1 F(0, 0, y) &= 0, \\ J_1 F(x, 0, y) &= 0, & J_1 F(x, 0, 0) &= 0, & J_1 F(0, 0, 0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

for all $x, y \neq 0$. And we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 F(x, y, 0) &= \frac{J_2 f(2^{k-1}(x+y), z, -z) - J_2 f(-2^{k-1}(x+y), z, -z)}{2^{k+1}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{-J_2 f(2^k x, z, -z) + J_2 f(-2^k x, z, -z)}{2^{k+2}} + \frac{-J_2 f(2^k y, z, -z)}{2^{k+2}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{J_2 f(-2^k y, z, -z) + J_1 f(2^k x, 2^k y, z) - J_1 f(-2^k x, -2^k y, z)}{2^{k+2}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{J_1 f(2^k x, 2^k y, -z) - J_1 f(-2^k x, -2^k y, -z)}{2^{k+2}} = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

for all $x, y \neq 0$ with $x + y \neq 0$, where $2^k \in A_x \cap A_y \cap A_{x+y}$ and $z \notin A$. From this, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 F(x, y, z) &= \frac{J_1 f(2^k x, 2^k y, 2^k z) - J_1 f(-2^k x, -2^k y, 2^k z)}{4^{k+1}} \\
 &\quad + \frac{J_1 f(-2^k x, -2^k y, -2^k z) - J_1 f(2^k x, 2^k y, -2^k z)}{4^{k+1}} + J_1 F(x, y, 0) = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

for all $x, y, z \neq 0$ with $x + y \neq 0$, where $2^k \in A_x \cap A_y \cap A_z$. From the above equalities, we get

$$J_1 F(x, y, z) = 0 \tag{3.20}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. By the similar method, we have

$$J_2 F(x, y, z) = 0 \tag{3.21}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. Hence F is a bi-Jensen mapping. Let F' be another bi-Jensen mapping satisfying

$$F'(x, y) = f(x, y) = F(x, y) \tag{3.22}$$

for all $(x, y) \in (X \times X) \setminus (A \times A)$. Using the above equality, we show that the equalities

$$\begin{aligned}
 F'(x, y) - F(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} (J_1 F'((k+2)x, -kx, y) - J_1 F((k+2)x, -kx, y)) = 0, \\
 F'(0, y) - F(0, y) &= \frac{1}{2} (J_1 F'(kx, -kx, y) - J_1 F(kx, -kx, y)) = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

hold for all $x \neq 0$ and $y \in X$ as we desired, where $k \in A_x$. □

Corollary 3.2. *Let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping such that*

$$J_1 f(x, y, z) = 0, \quad J_2 f(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (3.24)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X \setminus \{0\}$. Then there exists a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$F(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad (3.25)$$

for all $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$.

Example 3.3. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the mapping defined by

$$f(x, y) := \begin{cases} (x+3)(y+4) & \text{for } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 1 & \text{for } (x, y) = (0, 0), \end{cases} \quad (3.26)$$

and let F be the mapping defined by $F(x, y) := (x+3)(y+4)$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the mappings f, F satisfy the conditions of Corollary 3.2 with $f(0, 0) \neq F(0, 0)$.

Now, we prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of a bi-Jensen functional equation on the punctured domain $X \setminus A$.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $x_0 \in X \setminus A$. Let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping such that*

$$\|J_1 f(x, y, z)\| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \|J_2 f(x, y, z)\| \leq \varepsilon \quad (3.27)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X \setminus A$. Then there exists a unique bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq \frac{17}{2}\varepsilon \quad (3.28)$$

holds for all $(x, y) \in (X \times X) \setminus (A \times A)$ with $F(0, 0) = (f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0))/2$. The mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ is given by

$$F(x, y) := \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f_1(2^j x, 2^j y)}{4^j} + \frac{f(0, 2^j y) + f(2^j x, 0)}{2^{j+1}} \right) + \frac{f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0)}{2} \quad (3.29)$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

Proof. By (3.27), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| \frac{f_1(2^j x, 2^j y)}{4^j} - \frac{f_1(2^{j+1} x, 2^{j+1} y)}{4^{j+1}} \right\| \\
&= \frac{1}{4^{j+2}} \left\| A_1(2^j x, 2^j y) - A_1(2^j x, -2^j y) + \frac{1}{2} A_2(2^{j+1} x, 2^j y) - \frac{1}{2} A_2(-2^{j+1} x, 2^j y) \right\| \leq \frac{3\varepsilon}{4^{j+1}}, \\
& \left\| \frac{f(0, 2^j y) - f(0, -2^j y)}{2^{j+1}} - \frac{f(0, 2^{j+1} y) - f(0, -2^{j+1} y)}{2^{j+2}} \right\| \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{j+4}} \left\| +4J_1 f(x, -x, 2^j y) - 4J_1 f(x, -x, -2^j y) - 2J_1 f(x, -x, 2^{j+1} y) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 2J_1 f(x, -x, -2^{j+1} y) + A_2(x, 2^j y) + A_2(-x, 2^j y) \right\| \leq \frac{5\varepsilon}{2^{j+2}}, \\
& \left\| \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} - \frac{f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0)}{2} \right\| \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \left\| J_1 f(x, -x, y) + J_1 f(x, -x, -y) - J_2 f(x, y, -y) - J_2 f(-x, y, -y) \right\| \leq \varepsilon
\end{aligned} \tag{3.30}$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$ and $j \in \mathbb{N}$. For given integers l, m ($0 \leq l < m$), we have

$$\left\| \frac{f_1(2^l x, 2^l y)}{4^l} - \frac{f_1(2^m x, 2^m y)}{4^m} \right\| \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \frac{3\varepsilon}{4^{j+1}}, \tag{3.31}$$

$$\left\| \frac{f(0, 2^l y) - f(0, -2^l y)}{2^{l+1}} - \frac{f(0, 2^m y) - f(0, -2^m y)}{2^{m+1}} \right\| \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \frac{5\varepsilon}{2^{j+2}}, \tag{3.32}$$

$$\left\| \frac{f(2^l x, 0) - f(-2^l x, 0)}{2^{l+1}} - \frac{f(2^m x, 0) - f(-2^m x, 0)}{2^{m+1}} \right\| \leq \sum_{j=l}^{m-1} \frac{5\varepsilon}{2^{j+2}}, \tag{3.33}$$

$$\left\| \frac{f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0)}{2} - \frac{f(0, 2^m y) + f(0, -2^m y)}{2} \right\| \leq \varepsilon, \tag{3.34}$$

$$\left\| \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} - \frac{f(2^m x, 0) + f(-2^m x, 0)}{2} \right\| \leq \varepsilon \tag{3.35}$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. The sequences $\{(f_1(2^j x, 2^j y))/4^j\}$, $\{(f(0, 2^j y) - f(0, -2^j y))/2^{j+1}\}$, and $\{(f(2^j x, 0) - f(-2^j x, 0))/2^{j+1}\}$ are Cauchy sequences for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. Since Y is complete, the above sequences converge for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. From (3.34) and (3.35), we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(0, 2^j y) + f(0, -2^j y)}{2^{j+1}} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^j x, 0) + f(-2^j x, 0)}{2^{j+1}} = 0 \tag{3.36}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Using the inequalities (3.31)–(3.35) and the above equality, we can define the mappings $F_1, F_2, F_3 : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x, y) &:= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_1(2^j x, 2^j y)}{4^j}, \\ F_2(x, y) &:= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(0, 2^j y)}{2^j} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(0, 2^j y) - f(0, -2^j y)}{2^{j+1}}, \\ F_3(x, y) &:= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^j x, 0)}{2^j} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(2^j x, 0) - f(-2^j x, 0)}{2^{j+1}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.37)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. By (3.27) and the definition of F_1 , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 F_1(x, y, z) &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{J_1 f(2^j x, 2^j y, 2^j z) - J_1 f(-2^j x, -2^j y, 2^j z)}{4^{j+1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{J_1 f(2^j x, 2^j y, -2^j z) - J_1 f(-2^j x, -2^j y, -2^j z)}{4^{j+1}} \right] = 0, \\ J_2 F_1(x, y, z) &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{J_2 f(2^j x, 2^j y, 2^j z) - J_2 f(-2^j x, 2^j y, 2^j z)}{4^{j+1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{J_2 f(2^j x, -2^j y, -2^j z) - J_2 f(-2^j x, -2^j y, -2^j z)}{4^{j+1}} \right] = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.38)$$

for all $x, y, z \neq 0$. Since $J_2 F_2(x, y, -y) = 0$ and

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 F_2(x, y, z) &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{J_1 f(w, -w, 2^{j-1}(y+z))}{2^j} - \frac{J_1 f(w, -w, 2^j y)}{2^{j+1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{J_1 f(w, -w, 2^j z)}{2^{j+1}} + \frac{J_2 f(w, 2^j y, 2^j z)}{2^{j+1}} + \frac{J_2 f(-w, 2^j y, 2^j z)}{2^{j+1}} \right) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.39)$$

for all $x, y, z \neq 0$ with $y + z \neq 0$, where $w \notin A$, we have

$$J_1 F_2(x, y, z) = 0, \quad J_2 F_2(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (3.40)$$

for all $x, y, z \neq 0$. Similarly, the equalities

$$J_1 F_3(x, y, z) = 0, \quad J_2 F_3(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (3.41)$$

hold for all $x, y, z \neq 0$. By Lemma 3.1, There exist bi-Jensen mappings $F'_1, F'_2, F'_3 : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$F'_1(x, y) = F_1(x, y), \quad F'_2(x, y) = F_2(x, y), \quad F'_3(x, y) = F_3(x, y) \quad (3.42)$$

for all $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$. Since the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} F'_1(0, 0) &= \frac{F'_1(x, 0) + F'_1(-x, 0)}{2} = \frac{F_1(x, 0) + F_1(-x, 0)}{2} = F_1(0, 0), \\ F'_2(0, 0) &= \frac{F'_2(x, 0) + F'_2(-x, 0)}{2} = \frac{F_2(x, 0) + F_2(-x, 0)}{2} = F_2(0, 0), \\ F'_3(0, 0) &= \frac{F'_3(x, 0) + F'_3(-x, 0)}{2} = \frac{F_3(x, 0) + F_3(-x, 0)}{2} = F_3(0, 0) \end{aligned} \quad (3.43)$$

hold, F_1, F_2, F_3 are bi-Jensen mappings. Putting $l = 0$ and taking $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.31), (3.32), and (3.33), one can obtain the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_1(x, y) - F_1(x, y)\| &\leq \varepsilon, \quad \left\| \frac{1}{2}(f(0, y) - f(0, -y)) - F_2(x, y) \right\| \leq \frac{5\varepsilon}{2}, \\ \left\| \frac{1}{2}(f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)) - F_3(x, y) \right\| &\leq \frac{5\varepsilon}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.44)$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. By (3.30) and the above equalities, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| &\leq \left\| f(x, y) - f_1(x, y) - f(0, y) - \frac{f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)}{2} \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} - \frac{f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0)}{2} \right\| + \|f_1(x, y) - F_1(x, y)\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{f(0, y) - f(0, -y)}{2} - F_2(x, y) \right\| + \left\| \frac{f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)}{2} - F_3(x, y) \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| -\frac{1}{2}J_1f(x, -x, y) - \frac{1}{4}J_2f(x, y, -y) + \frac{1}{4}J_2f(-x, y, -y) \right\| + 7\varepsilon \\ &\leq 8\varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (3.45)$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$, where F is given by

$$F(x, y) = F_1(x, y) + F_2(x, y) + F_3(x, y) + \frac{f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0)}{2} \quad (3.46)$$

and $z \notin A$. By (3.45), we get the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| &= \frac{1}{2} \|J_1 f((k+2)x, -kx, y) + f((k+2)x, y) - F((k+2)x, y) \\ &\quad + f(-kx, y) - F(-kx, y)\| \leq \frac{17}{2} \varepsilon, \\ \|f(0, y) - F(0, y)\| &= \frac{1}{2} \|J_1 f(kx, -kx, y) + f(kx, y) - F(kx, y) + f(-kx, y) - F(-kx, y)\| \\ &\leq \frac{17}{2} \varepsilon\end{aligned}\tag{3.47}$$

for all $x \neq 0$ and $y \notin A$, where $k \in A_x$, and the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| &\leq \frac{17}{2} \varepsilon, \\ \|f(x, 0) - F(x, 0)\| &\leq \frac{17}{2} \varepsilon\end{aligned}\tag{3.48}$$

for all $y \neq 0$ and $x \notin A$. Hence F is a bi-Jensen mapping satisfying (3.28).

Now, let $F' : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be another bi-Jensen mapping satisfying (3.28) with $F'(0, 0) = F(0, 0)$. By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|F(x, y) - F'(x, y)\| &\leq \left\| \frac{1}{4^n} (F - f)(2^n x, 2^n y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{4^n} \right) ((F - f)(2^n x, 0) + (F - f)(0, 2^n y)) \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{1}{4^n} (f - F')(2^n x, 2^n y) + \left(\frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{4^n} \right) ((f - F')(2^n x, 0) + (f - F')(0, 2^n y)) \right\| \leq \frac{17\varepsilon}{2^{n-1}}\end{aligned}\tag{3.49}$$

for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. As $n \rightarrow \infty$, we may conclude that $F(x, y) = F'(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X \setminus A$. By Lemma 3.1, $F = F'$ as we desired. $\square$

Example 3.5. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the mapping defined by

$$f(x, y) := \begin{cases} \frac{\varepsilon}{2} & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0), \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0). \end{cases}\tag{3.50}$$

Let $F : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the mapping defined by $F(x, y) = 1$ for all $x, y \in X$. Then f satisfies the conditions in Theorem 3.4, and F is a bi-Jensen mapping satisfying (3.28) but $F(0, 0) \neq f(0, 0)$.

Corollary 3.6. Let $f : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ be a mapping satisfying (3.13) and (3.27) for all $x, y, z \in X \setminus \{0\}$. Then there exists a bi-Jensen mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq 8\varepsilon \quad (3.51)$$

for all $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$.

Proof. Let F, F_2, F_3 be as in the proof of Theorem 3.4. By (3.30), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(0, y) - F(0, y)\| &\leq \left\| \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} - \frac{f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0)}{2} \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{f(0, y) - f(0, -y)}{2} - F_2(x, y) \right\| \leq \frac{7\varepsilon}{2}, \\ \|f(x, 0) - F(x, 0)\| &\leq \left\| \frac{f(x, 0) + f(-x, 0)}{2} - \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{f(0, y) + f(0, -y)}{2} - \frac{f(x_0, 0) + f(-x_0, 0)}{2} \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{f(x, 0) - f(-x, 0)}{2} - F_3(x, y) \right\| \leq \frac{9\varepsilon}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.52)$$

for $x, y \neq 0$. From the above inequalities and (3.45), we get the inequality

$$\|f(x, y) - F(x, y)\| \leq 8\varepsilon \quad (3.53)$$

for all $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$. □

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