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On the stability of a cubic functional equation in random 2-normed spaces

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Abstract

In this article, we propose to determine some stability results for the functional equation of cubic in random 2-normed spaces which seems to be a quite new and interesting idea. Also, we define the notion of continuity, approximately and conditional cubic mapping in random 2-normed spaces and prove some interesting results.

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

In 1940, Ulam [1] proposed the following question concerning the stability of group homomorphisms:

Let G_1 be a group and let G_2 be a metric group with the metric $d(., .)$. Given $\epsilon > 0$, does there exist a $\delta > 0$ such that if a function $h : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ satisfies the inequality $d(h(xy), h(x)h(y)) < \delta$ for all $x, y \in G_1$, then there exists a homomorphism $H : G_1 \rightarrow G_1$ with $d(h(x), H(x)) < \epsilon$ for all $x \in G_1$?

In next year, Hyers [2] answers the problem of Ulam under the assumption that the groups are Banach spaces and then generalized by Aoki [3] and Rassias [4] for additive mappings and linear mappings, respectively. Since then several stability problems for various functional equations have been investigated in [5-12].

The stability problem for the cubic functional equation was proved by Jun and Kim [5] for mappings $f : X \rightarrow Y$, where X is a real normed space and Y is a Banach space. Later on, the problem of stability of cubic functional equation were discussed by many mathematician.

An interesting and important generalization of the notion of a metric space was introduced by Menger [13] under the name of statistical metric space, which is now called a probabilistic metric space. An important family of probabilistic metric spaces is that of probabilistic normed spaces. The theory of probabilistic normed spaces is important as a generalization of deterministic results of linear normed spaces. The theory of probabilistic normed spaces was initiated and developed in [14,15] and further it was extended to random 2-normed spaces by Goleř [16] using the concept of 2-norm of Gahler [17]. For more details of probabilistic and random/fuzzy 2-normed space, we refer to [18-22] and references therein.

In this article, we establish Hyers-Ulam stability concerning the cubic functional equations in random 2-normed spaces which is quite a new and interesting idea to study with.

In this section, we recall some notations and basic definitions used in this article.

A distribution function is an element of Δ^+ , where $\Delta^+ = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]; f \text{ is left-continuous, nondecreasing, } f(0) = 0 \text{ and } f(+\infty) = 1\}$ and the subset $D^+ \subseteq \Delta^+$ is the set $D^+ = \{f \in \Delta^+; l f(+\infty) = 1\}$. Here $l f(+\infty)$ denotes the left limit of the function f at the point x . The space Δ^+ is partially ordered by the usual point-wise ordering of functions, i.e., $f \leq g$ if and only if $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. For any $a \in \mathbb{R}$, H_a is a distribution function defined by

$$H_a(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq a; \\ 1 & \text{if } x > a. \end{cases}$$

The set Δ , as well as its subsets, can be partially ordered by the usual pointwise order: in this order, H_0 is the maximal element in Δ^+ .

A triangle function is a binary operation on Δ^+ , namely a function $\tau: \Delta^+ \times \Delta^+ \rightarrow \Delta^+$ that is associative, commutative nondecreasing and which has ε_0 as unit, that is, for all $f, g, h \in \Delta^+$, we have:

- (i) $\tau(\tau(f, g), h) = \tau(f, \tau(g, h))$,
- (ii) $\tau(f, g) = \tau(g, f)$,
- (iii) $\tau(f, g) = \tau(g, f)$ whenever $f \leq g$,
- (iv) $\tau(f, H_0) = f$.

A *t-norm* is a continuous mapping $*$: $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that $([0, 1], *)$ is abelian monoid with unit one and $c * d \geq a * b$ if $c \geq a$ and $d \geq b$ for all $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$.

The concept of 2-normed space was first introduced in [17] and further studied in [23-25].

Let X is a linear space of a dimension d , where $2 \leq d < \infty$. A 2-normed on X is a function $\|\cdot, \cdot\|: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions, for every $x, y \in X$ (i) $\|x, y\| = 0$ if and only if x and y are linearly dependent; (ii) $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$; (iii) $\|\alpha x, y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$; (iv) $\|x + y, z\| \leq \|x, z\| + \|y, z\|$. In this case $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ is called a 2-norm space.

Example 1.1. Take $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ being equipped with the 2-norm $\|x, y\| =$ the area of the parallelogram spanned by the vectors x and y , which may be given explicitly by the formula

$$\|x, y\| = |x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1|, \text{ where } x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2).$$

Recently, Goleř [16] introduced the notion of random 2-normed space and further studied by Mursaleen [26].

Let X be a linear space of a dimension greater than one, τ is a triangle function, and $\mathcal{F}: X \times X \rightarrow \Delta^+$. Then \mathcal{F} is called a *probabilistic 2-norm* on X and (X, \mathcal{F}, τ) a *probabilistic 2-normed space* if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $\mathcal{F}_{x,y}(t) = H_0(t)$ if x and y are linearly dependent, where $\mathcal{F}_{x,y}(t)$ denotes the value of $\mathcal{F}_{x,y}$ at $t \in \mathbb{R}$,
- (ii) $\mathcal{F}_{x,y} \neq H_0$ if x and y are linearly independent,

- (iii) $\mathcal{F}_{x,y} = \mathcal{F}_{y,x}$ for every x, y in X ,
- (iv) $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha x,y}(t) = \mathcal{F}_{x,y}(\frac{t}{|\alpha|})$ for every $t > 0, \alpha \neq 0$ and $x, y \in X$,
- (v) $\mathcal{F}_{x+y,z} \geq \tau(\mathcal{F}_{x,z}, \mathcal{F}_{y,z})$ whenever $x, y, z \in X$.

If (v) is replaced by

(v') $\mathcal{F}_{x+y,z}(t_1 + t_2) \geq \mathcal{F}_{x,z}(t_1) * \mathcal{F}_{y,z}(t_2)$, for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$, then triple $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is called a *random 2-normed space* (for short, RTN-space).

Example 1.2. Let $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a 2-normed space with $\|x, z\| = \|x_1z_2 - x_2z_1\|, x = (x_1, x_2), z = (z_1, z_2)$ and $a * b = ab$ for $a, b \in [0, 1]$. For all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$, consider

$$\mathcal{F}_{x,z}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t + \|x,z\|} & \text{if } t > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } t \leq 0; \end{cases}$$

Then $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is a random 2-normed space.

Remark 1.3. Note that every 2-normed space $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ can be made a random 2-normed space in a natural way, by setting $\mathcal{F}_{x,y}(t) = H_0(t - \|x, y\|)$, for every $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and $a * b = \min\{a, b\}, a, b \in [0, 1]$.

2 Stability of cubic functional equation

In the present section, we define the notion of convergence, Cauchy sequence and completeness in RTN-space and determine some stability results of the cubic functional equation in RTN-space.

The functional equation

$$f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) = 2f(x + y) + 2f(x - y) + 12f(x) \tag{1}$$

is called the *cubic functional equation*, since the function $f(x) = cx^3$ is its solution. Every solution of the cubic functional equation is said to be a *cubic mapping*.

We shall assume throughout this article that X and Y are linear spaces; $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ and $(Z, \mathcal{F}', *)$ are random 2-normed spaces; and $(Y, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is a random 2-Banach space.

Let ϕ be a function from $X \times X$ to Z . A mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be ϕ -approximately cubic function if

$$\mathcal{F}_{E_{x,y},z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x,y),z}(t), \tag{2}$$

for all $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$, where

$$E_{x,y} = f(2x + y) + f(2x - y) - 2f(x + y) - 2f(x - y) - 12f(x).$$

We define:

We say that a sequence $x = (x_k)$ is *convergent* in $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ or simply *\mathcal{F} -convergent* to ℓ if for every $\epsilon > 0$ and $\theta \in (0, 1)$ there exists $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\mathcal{F}_{x_k - \ell, z}(\epsilon) > 1 - \theta$ whenever $k \geq k_0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. In this case we write $\mathcal{F} - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = \ell$ and ℓ is called the *\mathcal{F} -limit* of $x = (x_k)$.

A sequence $x = (x_k)$ is said to be *Cauchy sequence* in $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ or simply *\mathcal{F} -Cauchy* if for every $\epsilon > 0, \theta > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$ there exists a number $N = N(\epsilon, z)$ such that $\lim \mathcal{F}_{x_n - x_m, z}(\epsilon) > 1 - \theta$ for all $n, m \geq N$. RTN-space $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is said to be *complete* if

every \mathcal{F} -Cauchy is \mathcal{F} -convergent. In this case $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is called random 2-Banach space.

Theorem 2.1. Suppose that a function $\phi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$ satisfies $\phi(2x, 2y) = \alpha\phi(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $\alpha \neq 0$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a ϕ -approximately cubic function. If for some $0 < \alpha < 8$,

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\phi(2x, 2y), z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\alpha\phi(x, y), z}(t), \tag{3}$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(2^n x, 2^n y), z}(8^n t) = 1$ for all $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Then there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x), z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}((8 - \alpha)t), \tag{4}$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

Proof. For convenience, let us fix $y = 0$ in (2). Then for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2x)}{8} - f(x), z}\left(\frac{t}{16}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t). \tag{5}$$

Replacing x by $2^n x$ in (5) and using (3), we obtain

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{8^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n}, z}\left(\frac{t}{16(8^n)}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(2^n x, 0), z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t/\alpha^n),$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$; and for all $n \geq 0$. By replacing t by $\alpha^n t$, we get

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n+1}x)}{8^{n+1}} - \frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n}, z}\left(\frac{\alpha^n t}{16(8^n)}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t). \tag{6}$$

It follows from $\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n} - f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{8^{k+1}} - \frac{f(2^k x)}{8^k}\right)$ and (6) that

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n} - f(x), z}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha^k t}{16(8^k)}\right) \geq \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{k+1}x)}{8^{k+1}} - \frac{f(2^k x)}{8^k}, z}\left(\frac{\alpha^k t}{16(8^k)}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t), \tag{7}$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and $n > 0$ where $\prod_{j=1}^n a_j = a_1 * a_2 * \dots * a_n$. By replacing x with $2^m x$ in (7), we have

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n+m}x)}{8^{n+m}} - \frac{f(2^m x)}{8^m}, z}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha^k t}{16(8)^{k+m}}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(2^m x, 0), z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t/\alpha^m).$$

Thus

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n+m}x)}{8^{n+m}} - \frac{f(2^m x)}{8^m}, z}\left(\sum_{k=m}^{n+m-1} \frac{\alpha^k t}{16(8)^k}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\phi(x, 0), z}(t),$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0, m > 0, n \geq 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Hence

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n+m}x)}{8^{n+m}} - \frac{f(2^m x)}{8^m}, z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z} \left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=m}^{n+m-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{16(8)^k}} \right), \tag{8}$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0, m \geq 0, n \geq 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Since $0 < \alpha < 8$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\frac{\alpha}{8})^k < \infty$, the Cauchy criterion for convergence shows that $(\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n})$ is a Cauchy sequence in $(Y, \mathcal{F}, *)$. Since $(Y, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is complete, this sequence converges to some point $C(x) \in Y$. Fix $x \in X$ and put $m = 0$ in (8) to obtain

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n} - f(x), z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z} \left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{16(8)^k}} \right),$$

for all $t > 0, n > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Thus we obtain

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}_{C(x)-\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n},z}(t/2) * \mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n}-f(x),z}(t/2) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z} \left(\frac{t}{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\alpha^k}{8(8)^k}} \right),$$

for large n . Taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using the definition of RTN-space, we get

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z}((8 - \alpha)t).$$

Replace x and y by $2^n x$ and $2^n y$, respectively, in (2), we have

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{E_{2^n x, 2^n y}}{8^n}, z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(2^n x, 2^n y), z}(8^n t),$$

for all $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(2^n x, 2^n y), z}(8^n t) = 1,$$

we observe that C fulfills (1). To Prove the uniqueness of the cubic function C , assume that there exists a cubic function $D : X \rightarrow Y$ which satisfies (4). For fix $x \in X$, clearly $C(2^n x) = 8^n C(x)$ and $D(2^n x) = 8^n D(x)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It follows from (4) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{C(x)-D(x),z}(t) &= \mathcal{F}_{\frac{C(2^n x)}{8^n} - \frac{D(2^n x)}{8^n}, z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}_{\frac{C(2^n x)}{8^n} - \frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n}, z} \left(\frac{t}{2} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n} - \frac{D(2^n x)}{8^n}, z} \left(\frac{t}{2} \right) \\ &\geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(2^n x, 0), z} \left(\frac{8^n(8 - \alpha)t}{2} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z} \left(\frac{8^n(8 - \alpha)t}{2\alpha^n} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z} \left(\frac{8^n(8 - \alpha)t}{2\alpha^n} \right) = 1.$$

Thus $\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-D(x),z}(t) = 1$ for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Hence $C(x) = D(x)$.

Example 2.2. Let X be a Hilbert space and Z be a normed space. By \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}' , we denote the random 2-norms given as in Example 1.1 on X and Z , respectively. Let $\phi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$ be defined by $\phi(x, y) = 8(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)z_0$, where z_0 is a fixed unit vector in Z . Define $f : X \rightarrow X$ by $f(x) = \|x\|^2 x + \|x\|^2 x_0$ for some unit vector $x_0 \in X$. Then

$$\mathcal{F}_{E_{x,y,z}}(t) = \frac{t}{t + 8\|x, z\|^2 + 2\|y, z\|^2} \geq \frac{t}{t + 8\|x, z\|^2 + 8\|y, z\|^2} = \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,y),z}(t).$$

Also

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(2x,0),z}(t) = \frac{t}{t + 32\|x, z\|^2} = \mathcal{F}'_{4\varphi(x,0),z}(t).$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(2^n x, 2^n y),z}(8^n t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8^n t}{8^n t + 8(4^n)(\|x, z\|^2 + \|y, z\|^2)} = 1.$$

Hence, conditions of Theorem 2.1 for $\alpha = 4$ are fulfilled. Therefore, there is a unique cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow X$ such that $\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z}(4t)$ for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

By a modification in the proof of Theorem 2.1, one can easily prove the following:

Theorem 2.3. Suppose that a function $\phi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$ satisfies $\phi(x/2, y/2) = \frac{1}{\alpha}\phi(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $\alpha \neq 0$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a ϕ -approximately cubic function. If for some $\alpha > 8$

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x/2,y/2),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,y),z}(\alpha t)$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}'_{8^n \varphi(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y),z}(t) = 1$ for all $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Then there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\varphi(x,0),z}((\alpha - 8)t),$$

for all $x \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

3 Continuity in random 2-normed spaces

In this section, we establish some interesting results of continuous approximately cubic mappings.

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ be a function, where \mathbb{R} is endowed with the Euclidean topology and X is an random 2-normed space equipped with random 2-norm \mathcal{F} . Then, f is said to be *random 2-continuous* or simply *\mathcal{F} -continuous* at a point $s_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ if for all $\epsilon > 0$ and all $0 < \alpha < 1$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{f(sx)-f(s_0x),z}(\epsilon) \geq \alpha,$$

for each s with $0 < |s - s_0| < \delta$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be (p, q) -approximately cubic function if, for some p, q and some $z_0 \in Z$,

$$\mathcal{F}_{E_{x,y,z}}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^q)z_0,z}(t),$$

for all $x, y \in X, t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

Theorem 3.2. Let X be a normed space and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a (p, q) -approximately cubic function. If $p, q < 3$, there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\|x\|^p z_0,z}((8 - 2^p)t), \tag{9}$$

for all $x \in X$, $t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Furthermore, if for some $x \in X$ and all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the mapping $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow Y$ defined by $g(s) = f(2^n sx)$ is \mathcal{F} -continuous. Then the mapping $s \mapsto C(sx)$ from \mathbb{R} to Y is \mathcal{F} -continuous; in this case, $C(rx) = r^3 C(x)$ for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof. Suppose that a function $\phi : X \times X \rightarrow Z$ satisfies $\phi(x, y) = (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^q)z_0$. Existence and uniqueness of the cubic mapping C satisfying (9) are deduced from Theorem 2.1. Note that for each $x \in X$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-\frac{f(2^n x)}{8^n},z}(t) = \mathcal{F}_{C(2^n x)-f(2^n x),z}(8^n t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{2^{np}\|x\|^p z_0,z}(8^n(8-2^p)t) = \mathcal{F}'_{\|x\|^p z_0,z}\left(\frac{8^n(8-2^p)t}{2^{np}}\right). \tag{10}$$

Fix $x \in X$ and $s_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Given $\epsilon > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 1$. From (10) follows that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(sx)-\frac{f(2^n sx)}{8^n},z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\|x\|^p z_0,z}\left(\frac{8^n(8-2^p)t}{|s|^p 2^{np}}\right) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\|x\|^p z_0,z}\left(\frac{8^n(8-2^p)t}{(1+|s_0|)^p 2^{np}}\right),$$

for all $|s - s_0| < 1$ and $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8^n(8-2^p)t}{(1+|s_0|)^p 2^{np}} = \infty$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(sx)-\frac{f(2^{n_0} sx)}{8^{n_0}},z}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) \geq \alpha,$$

for all $|s - s_0| < 1$ and $s \in \mathbb{R}$. By the \mathcal{F} -continuity of the mapping $t \rightarrow f(2^{n_0} tx)$, there exists $\delta < 1$ such that for each s with $0 < |s - s_0| < \delta$, we have

$$\mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n_0} sx)}{8^{n_0}} - \frac{f(2^{n_0} s_0 x)}{8^{n_0}},z}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) \geq \alpha.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{F}_{C(sx)-C(s_0 x),z}(\epsilon) \\ &\geq \mathcal{F}_{C(sx)-\frac{f(2^{n_0} sx)}{8^{n_0}},z}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) * \mathcal{F}_{\frac{f(2^{n_0} sx)}{8^{n_0}} - \frac{f(2^{n_0} s_0 x)}{8^{n_0}},z}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) * \mathcal{F}_{C(s_0 x)-\frac{f(2^{n_0} s_0 x)}{8^{n_0}},z}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) \geq \alpha, \end{aligned}$$

for each s with $0 < |s - s_0| < \delta$. Hence, the mapping $s \mapsto C(sx)$ is \mathcal{F} -continuous.

Now, we use the \mathcal{F} -continuity of $s \mapsto C(sx)$ to establish that $C(r_0 x) = r_0^3 C(x)$ for all $r_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. For each r , \mathbb{Q} is a dense subset of \mathbb{R} , we have $C(rx) = r^3 C(x)$. Fix $r_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $t > 0$. Then, for $0 < \alpha < 1$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{C(rx)-C(r_0 x),z}(t/3) \geq \alpha,$$

for each $r \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < |r - r_0| < \delta$. Choose a rational number r with $0 < |r - r_0| < \delta$ and $|r^3 - r_0^3| < 1 - \alpha$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{C(r_0 x)-r_0^3 C(x),z}(t) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{C(r_0 x)-C(rx),z}(t/3) * \mathcal{F}_{C(rx)-r^3 C(x),z}(t/3) * \mathcal{F}_{r^3 C(x)-r_0^3 C(x),z}(t/3) \\ &\geq \alpha * 1 * \mathcal{F}_{C(x),z}(t/3(1 - \alpha)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathcal{F}_{C(r_0 x)-r_0^3 C(x),z}(t) = 1$. Hence, we conclude that $C(r_0 x) = r_0^3 C(x)$.

Remark 3.2. We can also prove Theorem 3.1 for the case when $p, q > 3$. In this case, there exists a unique cubic mapping $C : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $\mathcal{F}_{C(x)-f(x),z}(t) \geq \mathcal{F}'_{\|x\|^p z_0,z}((2^p - 8)t)$ for all $x \in X$, $t > 0$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

4 Approximately and conditional cubic mapping in random 2-normed spaces

In this section, we obtain completeness in RTN-space through the existence of some solution of a stability problem for cubic functional equation.

A mapping $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$ is said to be *approximately cubic* if for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ there exists some $n_\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\mathcal{F}_{E(n,m),z}(1) \geq \alpha$, for all $n \geq 2m \geq n_\alpha$ and nonzero $z \in X$.

By a *conditional cubic mapping*, we mean a mapping $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$ such that (1) holds whenever $x \geq 2y$.

It can be easily verified that for each conditional cubic mapping $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$, we have $f(2^n) = 2^{3n}f(1)$.

Theorem 4.1. Let $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ be a RTN-space such that for each approximately cubic mapping $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$, there exists a conditional cubic mapping $C: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$, such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}_{C(n)-f(n),z}(1) = 1,$$

for nonzero $z \in X$. Then $(X, \mathcal{F}, *)$ is a random 2-Banach space.

Proof. Let (x_n) be a Cauchy sequence in a RTN-space. By induction on k , we can find a strictly increasing sequence (n_k) of natural numbers such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{x_n-x_m,z} \left(\frac{1}{(10k)^3} \right) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k},$$

for each $n, m \geq n_k$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Let $y_k = x_{n_k}$ and define $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$ by $f(k) = k^3 y_k$. Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, and find some $n_\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $1 - \frac{1}{n_\alpha} > \alpha$. One can easily verified that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{E_{k,j},z}(1) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20k^3} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20k^3} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{40k^3} \right) \\ &\quad * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k-j}-y_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{80k^3} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{120k^2j} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{k-j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60k^2j} \right) \\ &\quad * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60kj^2} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k-j}-y_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60kj^2} \right) \\ &\quad * \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10j^3} \right) * \mathcal{F}_{y_{k-j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20j^3} \right), \end{aligned}$$

for each $k \geq 2j$, and nonzero $z \in X$. Then

$$\mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20k^3} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20(k+j)^3} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}_{y_{2k+j}-y_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k+j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha,$$

for $j > n_0$ and nonzero $z \in X$. Since $k - j \geq \frac{k}{2}$ and $k - j \geq j$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20k^3} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha, \\ \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{k-j}-\gamma_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60k^2j} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{k-j}-\gamma_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha, \\ \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k-j}-\gamma_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60kj^2} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k-j}-\gamma_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha, \\ \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{k-j}-\gamma_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{20j^3} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k-j}-\gamma_{k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{40k^3} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3k^3} \right) \geq \alpha, \quad \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k-j}-\gamma_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{80k^3} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k-j}-\gamma_k,z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3k^3} \right) \geq \alpha, \\ \text{and } \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{60kj^2} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{k+j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(k+j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

The inequalities $2k - j \geq j$ and $2k - j > k$ imply

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{120k^2j} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{120(2k-j)^3} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(2k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha \\ \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10j^3} \right) &\geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10(2k-j)^3} \right) \geq \mathcal{F}_{\gamma_{2k+j}-\gamma_{2k-j},z} \left(\frac{1}{10^3(2k-j)^3} \right) \geq \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\mathcal{F}_{E_{k,j},z}(1) \geq \alpha$. This shows that f is approximately cubic type mapping. By our assumption, there exists a conditional cubic mapping $C : \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow X$, such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}_{C(k)-f(k),z}(1) = 1$. In particular, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}_{C(2^k)-f(2^k),z}(1) = 1$. This means that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}_{C(1)-\gamma_{2k},z} \left(\frac{1}{2^3k} \right) = 1$$

Hence the subsequence (γ_{2^k}) converges to $y = C(1)$. Therefore, the Cauchy sequence (x_n) also converges to y .

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