

# Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of a general septic functional equation

**Abstract.** In this paper, we investigate the stability of **the following** general septic functional equation

$$\sum_{i=0}^8 {}_8C_i (-1)^{8-i} f(x + (i-4)y) = 0$$

**which is a generalization of many functional equations such as the additive functional equation, the quadratic functional equation, the cubic functional equation, the quartic functional equation, the quintic functional equation, and the sextic functional equation. The equation is analysed from the perspective of Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability.**

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## 1 Introduction

It is well known that the study on the stability of functional equations began as an attempt to solve Ulam's question in [28] about the stability of the group homomorphisms. As a partial answer to this question, Hyers [7] solved the stability of the Cauchy functional equation in the following year. Since then, many mathematicians have generalized Hyers' results by showing the stability of various kind of functional equations, see [2, 5, 6, 8, 14, 26]. Today the term 'Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability' refers to the generalization introduced by Rassias [26].

Throughout this paper,  **$V$ ,  $X$ , and  $Y$  are** a real vector space, a real normed space, and a real Banach space, respectively. For a mapping  $f$  from  $V$  to  $Y$ , we consider the functional equation

$$\sum_{i=0}^k {}_kC_i (-1)^{k-i} f(x + iy) = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $k = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ . Observe that a solution mapping  $f : V \rightarrow Y$  of (1.1) is a "generalized polynomial mapping of degree at most 7" in the sense of J. Baker in

[1]. So the functional equation (1.1) is called a Jensen, a general quadratic, a general cubic, a general quartic, a general quintic, a general sextic, and a general septic functional equation, for  $k = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ , respectively. Also each solution mapping of (1.1), for  $k = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ , is called as a Jensen, a general quadratic, a general cubic, a general quartic, a general quintic, a general sextic, and a general septic mapping, respectively.

Recall, the stability problems for the functional equation (1.1) were studied in many ways. In the case of a Jensen functional equation, K.-W. Jun et al. [18] showed the stability result. The stability of a general quadratic function equation was obtained by Y. H. Lee [13], Y. H. Lee et al. [20], and S. S. Jin et al. [9]. On the other hand, the stability of a general cubic function equation was studied by Y. H. Lee [12, 17], S. M. Jun et al. [11], and Y. H. Lee et al. [25, 21], and the stability of the general quartic function equation are discussed in Y. H. Lee [15] and Y. H. Lee et al. [19, 21, 22, 23, 24]. Moreover, the stability of a general quintic functional equation has been studied by S. S. Jin et al. [10], and the stability of the general sextic function equation has been obtained by Y. H. Lee [16], I. S, Chang et al. [3], and J. Roh et al. [27].

In this article, we investigate the stability of the following general septic functional equation

$$Df(x, y) := \sum_{i=0}^8 {}_8C_i (-1)^{8-i} f(x + (i-4)y) = 0 \quad (1.2)$$

in the sense of Hyers-Ulam-Rassias. Prior to this paper, in [4], I. S, Chang et al. used the method of Găvruta to prove the stability of a general septic functional equation, i.e., if the function  $f : V \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the inequality

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \phi(x, y)$$

where a function  $\phi : V^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 128^i \phi\left(\frac{x}{2^i}, \frac{y}{2^i}\right) < \infty,$$

for all  $x, y \in V$ , then there exists a unique general septic mapping  $F$  near the function  $f$ . On the other hand, in this paper, we use Theorem 2.2 to improve the stability result of the general septic functional equation. Precisely, for a real number  $\theta > 0$  and a non-negative real number  $p \neq 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$ , let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfy

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then it is proved that there exists a unique septic mapping  $F$ , i.e.,  $DF(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , such that  $F(0) = 0$  and

$$\|f(x) - f(0) - F(x)\| \leq \epsilon_p \theta \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where the constant  $\epsilon_p$  depends only on  $p$ , see (2.14).

## 2 Stability of a general septic functional equation

**Definition 2.1** For a given mapping  $f : V \rightarrow Y$ , we define the mappings  $Df : V^2 \rightarrow Y$ ,  $\tilde{f}$ ,  $f_o$ ,  $f_e$ ,  $\Gamma f$ ,  $\Delta f : V \rightarrow Y$  as

$$Df(x, y) := \sum_{i=0}^8 {}_8C_i (-1)^{8-i} f(x + (i-4)y),$$

$$\tilde{f}(x) := f(x) - f(0), \quad f_o(x) := \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}, \quad f_e(x) := \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2},$$

$$\Gamma f(x) := Df_o(8x, 2x) + 8Df_o(6x, 2x) + 36Df_o(4x, 2x) + 120Df_o(2x, 2x) \\ + 160Df_o(4x, x) + 1280Df_o(3x, x) + 4032Df_o(2x, x) + 5376Df_o(x, x),$$

$$\Delta f(x) := Df_e(4x, x) + 8Df_e(3x, x) + 36Df_e(2x, x) + 120Df_e(x, x) + 123Df_e(0, x)$$

for all  $x, y \in V$ .

**Theorem 2.2** For  $f : V \rightarrow Y$ , let us define  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7 : V \rightarrow Y$  as follows;

$$f_1(x) := \frac{1}{M} \begin{vmatrix} f_o(x) & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ f_o(2x) & 8 & 32 & 128 \\ f_o(4x) & 8^2 & 32^2 & 128^2 \\ f_o(8x) & 8^3 & 32^3 & 128^3 \end{vmatrix}, \quad f_2(x) := \frac{1}{M'} \begin{vmatrix} f_e(x) & 1 & 1 \\ f_e(2x) & 16 & 64 \\ f_e(4x) & 16^2 & 64^2 \end{vmatrix},$$

$$f_3(x) := \frac{1}{M} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & f_o(x) & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & f_o(2x) & 32 & 128 \\ 2^2 & f_o(4x) & 32^2 & 128^2 \\ 2^3 & f_o(8x) & 32^3 & 128^3 \end{vmatrix}, \quad f_4(x) := \frac{1}{M'} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & f_e(x) & 1 \\ 4 & f_e(2x) & 64 \\ 4^2 & f_e(4x) & 64^2 \end{vmatrix},$$

$$f_5(x) := \frac{1}{M} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & f_o(x) & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & f_o(2x) & 128 \\ 2^2 & 8^2 & f_o(4x) & 128^2 \\ 2^3 & 8^3 & f_o(8x) & 128^3 \end{vmatrix}, \quad f_6(x) := \frac{1}{M'} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & f_e(x) \\ 4 & 16 & f_e(2x) \\ 4^2 & 16^2 & f_e(4x) \end{vmatrix},$$

$$f_7(x) := \frac{1}{M} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & f_o(x) \\ 2 & 8 & 32 & f_o(2x) \\ 2^2 & 8^2 & 32^2 & f_o(4x) \\ 2^3 & 8^3 & 32^3 & f_o(8x) \end{vmatrix}$$

for all  $x \in V$ , where

$$M := \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & 32 & 128 \\ 2^2 & 8^2 & 32^2 & 128^2 \\ 2^3 & 8^3 & 32^3 & 128^3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad M' := \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 16 & 64 \\ 4^2 & 16^2 & 64^2 \end{vmatrix}.$$

**Then**

$$f(x) = f_o(x) + f_e(x) = \sum_{i=1}^7 f_i(x) \quad (2.1)$$

for all  $x \in V$ .

**Proof.** It can be noted that  $M \neq 0$  and  $M' \neq 0$ . The uniqueness of solution (stated in Cramer's rule) implies that the family  $\{f_1(x), f_3(x), f_5(x), f_7(x)\}$  is the only solution to the system of **non-homogeneous** linear equations

$$\begin{cases} f_1(x) + f_3(x) + f_5(x) + f_7(x) = f_o(x) \\ 2f_1(x) + 8f_3(x) + 32f_5(x) + 128f_7(x) = f_o(2x) \\ 2^2 f_1(x) + 8^2 f_3(x) + 32^2 f_5(x) + 128^2 f_7(x) = f_o(4x) \\ 2^3 f_1(x) + 8^3 f_3(x) + 32^3 f_5(x) + 128^3 f_7(x) = f_o(8x) \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in V$ . Similarly, we have  $f_e(x) = f_2(x) + f_4(x) + f_6(x)$  for all  $x \in V$ . □

By laborious computation we can get the following equalities;

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \tilde{f}(x) &= f_o(16x) - 170f_o(8x) + 5712f_o(4x) - 43520f_o(2x) + 65536f_o(x), \\ \Delta \tilde{f}(x) &= \tilde{f}_e(8x) - 84\tilde{f}_e(4x) + 1344\tilde{f}_e(2x) - 4096\tilde{f}_e(x), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$f_1(x) = \frac{32768f_o(x) - 5376f_o(2x) + 168f_o(4x) - f_o(8x)}{22680}, \quad (2.2)$$

$$f_2(x) = \frac{1024f_e(x) - 80f_e(2x) + f_e(4x)}{720}, \quad (2.3)$$

$$f_3(x) = -\frac{8192f_o(x) - 4416f_o(2x) + 162f_o(4x) - f_o(8x)}{17280}, \quad (2.4)$$

$$f_4(x) = -\frac{256f_e(x) - 68f_e(2x) + f_e(4x)}{576}, \quad (2.5)$$

$$f_5(x) = \frac{2048f_o(x) - 1296f_o(2x) + 138f_o(4x) - f_o(8x)}{69120}, \quad (2.6)$$

$$f_6(x) = \frac{64f_e(x) - 20f_e(2x) + f_e(4x)}{2880}, \quad (2.7)$$

$$f_7(x) = -\frac{512f_o(x) - 336f_o(2x) + 42f_o(4x) - f_o(8x)}{1451520}, \quad (2.8)$$

as well as

$$\tilde{f}_1(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2x)}{2} = \frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(x)}{45360}, \quad \tilde{f}_2(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2x)}{4} = -\frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(x)}{2880}, \quad (2.9)$$

$$\tilde{f}_3(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2x)}{8} = -\frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(x)}{138240}, \quad \tilde{f}_4(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2x)}{16} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(x)}{9216}, \quad (2.10)$$

$$\tilde{f}_5(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2x)}{32} = \frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(x)}{2211840}, \quad \tilde{f}_6(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2x)}{64} = -\frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(x)}{184320}, \quad (2.11)$$

$$\tilde{f}_7(x) - \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2x)}{128} = -\frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(x)}{185794560} \quad (2.12)$$

for all  $x \in V$ .

Now, the stability of the general septic functional equation (1.2) **is computed.**

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $p \neq 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$  be a **non-negative** real number, and let  $\theta > 0$ . Suppose that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p) \quad (2.13)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then there exists a unique mapping  $F$  such that  $F(0) = 0$ ,  $DF(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{f}(x) - F(x)\| \leq & \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{22680 \cdot |2 - 2^p|} + \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{720 \cdot |4 - 2^p|} + \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{17280 \cdot |8 - 2^p|} + \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{576 \cdot |16 - 2^p|} \\ & + \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{69120 \cdot |32 - 2^p|} + \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{2880 \cdot |64 - 2^p|} + \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{1451520 \cdot |2^p - 128|} \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where  $K$  and  $K'$  are constants given by  $K := (4^p + 8 \cdot 3^p + 36 \cdot 2^p + 408)$  and  $K' := (8^p + 8 \cdot 6^p + 196 \cdot 4^p + 1280 \cdot 3^p + 4317 \cdot 2^p + 16224)$ .

**Proof.** Notice that  $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$ ,  $D\tilde{f}(x, y) = Df(x, y)$ , and

$$\|Df_o(x, y)\|, \|D\tilde{f}_e(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , by (2.13). Then, together with the definitions of  $\Gamma\tilde{f}$  and  $\Delta\tilde{f}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Gamma\tilde{f}_o(x)\| = & \|Df_o(8x, 2x) + 8Df_o(6x, 2x) + 36Df_o(4x, 2x) + 120Df_o(2x, 2x) \\ & + 160Df_o(4x, x) + 1280Df_o(3x, x) + 4032Df_o(2x, x) + 5376Df_o(x, x)\| \\ \leq & (8^p + 2^p + 8 \cdot 6^p + 8 \cdot 2^p + 36 \cdot 4^p + 36 \cdot 2^p + 240 \cdot 2^p + 160 \cdot 4^p \\ & + 160 + 1280 \cdot 3^p + 1280 + 4032 \cdot 2^p + 4032 + 10752)\theta\|x\|^p \\ \leq & K'\theta\|x\|^p, \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta\tilde{f}_e(x)\| = & \|D\tilde{f}_e(4x, x) + 8D\tilde{f}_e(3x, x) + 36D\tilde{f}_e(2x, x) + 120D\tilde{f}_e(x, x) + 123D\tilde{f}_e(0, x)\| \\ \leq & K\theta\|x\|^p \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . **The theorem can be proved in** seven steps in the following **manner**:

*Step 1.* For  $p \neq 1$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(1)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(1)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(1)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_1(x) - F^{(1)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{22680 \cdot |2 - 2^p|} \quad (2.17)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

(1) If  $0 \leq p < 1$ , then it follows from (2.9) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^n x)}{2^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^{n+m} x)}{2^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^i x)}{2^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^{i+1} x)}{2^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Gamma\tilde{f}_o(2^i x)}{45360 \cdot 2^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K'\theta 2^{ip} \|x\|^p}{45360 \cdot 2^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^n x)}{2^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(1)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(1)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_1(2^n x)}{2^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.18), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_1(x) - F^{(1)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{22680(2 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and, together with (2.2), it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(1)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_1(2^n x, 2^n y)}{2^n} \right\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \left\| \frac{32768D\tilde{f}_o(2^n x, 2^n y)}{22680 \cdot 2^n} \right\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| \frac{5376D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1}x, 2^{n+1}y)}{22680 \cdot 2^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{168D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2}x, 2^{n+2}y)}{22680 \cdot 2^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+3}x, 2^{n+3}y)}{22680 \cdot 2^n} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 32768 \cdot 2^{np} + 5376 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 168 \cdot 2^{(n+2)p} + 2^{(n+3)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{22680 \cdot 2^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 1$ , then it follows from (2.9) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 2^n \tilde{f}_1(2^{-n}x) - 2^{n+m} \tilde{f}_1(2^{-n-m}x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 2^i \tilde{f}_1(2^{-i}x) - 2^{i+1} \tilde{f}_1(2^{-i-1}x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{2^{i+1} \Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^{-i-1}x)}{45360} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{2^i K'\theta\|x\|^p}{22680 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{2^n \tilde{f}_1(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(1)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(1)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n \tilde{f}_1(2^{-n}x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.19), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_1(x) - F^{(1)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{22680(2^p - 2)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and, using (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(1)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_1(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n \left( \left\| \frac{32768D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{22680} \right\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| \frac{5376D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{22680} \right\| + \left\| \frac{168D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{22680} \right\| + \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+3}x, 2^{-n+3}y)}{22680} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 32768 \cdot 2^{-np} + 5376 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 168 \cdot 2^{-np+2p} + 2^{-np+3p} \right) \frac{2^n \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{22680} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 2.* For  $p \neq 2$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(2)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(2)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(2)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_2(x) - F^{(2)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{720 \cdot |4 - 2^p|} \quad (2.20)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 2$ , then it follows from (2.9) and (2.16) **that**

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^n x)}{4^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^{n+m} x)}{4^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^i x)}{4^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^{i+1} x)}{4^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^i x)}{2880 \cdot 4^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K\theta 2^{ip} \|x\|^p}{2880 \cdot 4^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . **So**  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^n x)}{4^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(2)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(2)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_2(2^n x)}{4^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.21), **the following inequality is obtained**

$$\|\tilde{f}_2(x) - F^{(2)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{720(4 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.3) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(2)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_2(2^n x, 2^n y)}{4^n} \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1024D\tilde{f}_e(2^n x, 2^n y)}{720 \cdot 4^n} - \frac{80D\tilde{f}_e(2^{n+1} x, 2^{n+1} y)}{720 \cdot 4^n} + \frac{D\tilde{f}_e(2^{n+2} x, 2^{n+2} y)}{720 \cdot 4^n} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1024 \cdot 2^{np} + 80 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 2^{(n+2)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{720 \cdot 4^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 2$ , then it follows from (2.9) and (2.16) **that**

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 4^n \tilde{f}_2(2^{-n} x) - 4^{n+m} \tilde{f}_2(2^{-n-m} x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 4^i \tilde{f}_2(2^{-i} x) - 4^{i+1} \tilde{f}_2(2^{-i-1} x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{4^{i+1} \Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^{-i-1} x)}{2880} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{4^i K\theta\|x\|^p}{720 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.22)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{4^n \tilde{f}_2(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(2)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(2)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^n \tilde{f}_2(2^{-n}x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.22), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_2(x) - F^{(2)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{720(2^p - 4)}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(2)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_2(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^n \left\| \frac{1024D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{720} - \frac{80D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{720} + \frac{D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{720} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1024 \cdot 2^{-np} + 80 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 2^{-np+2p}) \frac{4^n \theta (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{720} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 3.* For  $p \neq 3$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(3)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(3)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(3)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_3(x) - F^{(3)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{17280 \cdot |8 - 2^p|} \quad (2.23)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 3$ , then it follows from (2.10) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^{n+m} x)}{8^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^i x)}{8^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^{i+1} x)}{8^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^i x)}{138240 \cdot 8^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K'\theta 2^{ip} \|x\|^p}{138240 \cdot 8^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Then  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(3)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(3)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.24), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_3(x) - F^{(3)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{17280(8 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.4) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(3)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_3(2^n x, 2^n y)}{8^n} \right\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \left\| \frac{8192D\tilde{f}_o(2^n x, 2^n y)}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| \frac{4416D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1}x, 2^{n+1}y)}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{162D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2}x, 2^{n+2}y)}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+3}x, 2^{n+3}y)}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 8192 \cdot 2^{np} + 4416 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 162 \cdot 2^{(n+2)p} + 2^{(n+3)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 3$ , then it follows from (2.10) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 8^n \tilde{f}_3(2^{-n}x) - 8^{n+m} \tilde{f}_3(2^{-n-m}x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 8^i \tilde{f}_3(2^{-i}x) - 8^{i+1} \tilde{f}_3(2^{-i-1}x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{8^{i+1} \Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^{-i-1}x)}{138240} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{8^i K' \theta \|x\|^p}{17280 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \quad (2.25) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{8^n \tilde{f}_3(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(3)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(3)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \tilde{f}_3(2^{-n}x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.25), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_3(x) - F^{(3)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K' \theta \|x\|^p}{17280(2^p - 8)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.4) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(3)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_3(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \left( \left\| \frac{8192D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{17280} \right\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| \frac{4416D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{17280} \right\| + \left\| \frac{162D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{17280} \right\| + \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+3}x, 2^{-n+3}y)}{17280} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 8192 \cdot 2^{-np} + 4416 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 162 \cdot 2^{-np+2p} + 2^{-np+3p} \right) \frac{8^n \theta (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{17280} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 4.* For  $p \neq 4$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(4)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(4)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(4)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_4(x) - F^{(4)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta \|x\|^p}{576 \cdot |16 - 2^p|} \quad (2.26)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 4$ , then it follows from (2.10) and (2.16) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^n x)}{16^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^{n+m} x)}{16^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^i x)}{16^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^{i+1} x)}{16^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^i x)}{9216 \cdot 16^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K\theta 2^{ip} \|x\|^p}{9216 \cdot 16^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.27)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^n x)}{16^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(4)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(4)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_4(2^n x)}{16^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.27), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_4(x) - F^{(4)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta \|x\|^p}{576(16 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.5) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(4)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_4(2^n x, 2^n y)}{16^n} \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| -\frac{256D\tilde{f}_e(2^n x, 2^n y)}{576 \cdot 16^n} + \frac{68D\tilde{f}_e(2^{n+1} x, 2^{n+1} y)}{576 \cdot 16^n} - \frac{D\tilde{f}_e(2^{n+2} x, 2^{n+2} y)}{576 \cdot 16^n} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 256 \cdot 2^{np} + 68 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 2^{(n+2)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{576 \cdot 16^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 4$ , then it follows from (2.10) and (2.16) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 16^n \tilde{f}_4(2^{-n} x) - 16^{n+m} \tilde{f}_4(2^{-n-m} x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 16^i \tilde{f}_4(2^{-i} x) - 16^{i+1} \tilde{f}_4(2^{-i-1} x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{16^{i+1} \Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^{-i-1} x)}{9216} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K\theta 16^i \|x\|^p}{576 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.28)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{16^n \tilde{f}_4(2^{-n} x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(4)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(4)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 16^n \tilde{f}_4(2^{-n} x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.28), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_4(x) - F^{(4)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{576(2^p - 16)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.5) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(4)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 16^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_4(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 16^n \left\| -\frac{256D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{576} + \frac{68D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{576} - \frac{D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{576} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (256 \cdot 2^{-np} + 68 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 2^{-np+2p}) \frac{16^n\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{576} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 5.* For  $p \neq 5$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(5)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(5)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(5)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_5(x) - F^{(5)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{69120 \cdot |32 - 2^p|} \quad (2.29)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 5$ , then it follows from (2.11) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^n x)}{32^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^{n+m} x)}{32^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^i x)}{32^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^{i+1} x)}{32^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Gamma\tilde{f}_o(2^i x)}{2211840 \cdot 32^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K'\theta 2^{ip}\|x\|^p}{2211840 \cdot 32^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.30)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Then  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^n x)}{32^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(5)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(5)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_5(2^n x)}{32^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.30), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_5(x) - F^{(5)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{69120(32 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.6) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(5)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_5(2^n x, 2^n y)}{32^n} \right\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \left\| \frac{2048D\tilde{f}_o(2^n x, 2^n y)}{69120 \cdot 32^n} \right\| \right. \\ &+ \left\| \frac{1296D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1}x, 2^{n+1}y)}{69120 \cdot 32^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{138D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2}x, 2^{n+2}y)}{69120 \cdot 32^n} \right\| + \left. \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+3}x, 2^{n+3}y)}{69120 \cdot 32^n} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 2048 \cdot 2^{np} + 1296 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 138 \cdot 2^{(n+2)p} + 2^{(n+3)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{69120 \cdot 32^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 5$ , then it follows from (2.11) and (2.15) **that**

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 32^n \tilde{f}_5(2^{-n}x) - 32^{n+m} \tilde{f}_5(2^{-n-m}x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 32^i \tilde{f}_5(2^{-i}x) - 32^{i+1} \tilde{f}_5(2^{-i-1}x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{32^{i+1} \Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^{-i-1}x)}{2211840} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{32^i K' \theta \|x\|^p}{69120 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.31)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . **So**  $\{32^n \tilde{f}_5(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(5)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(5)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 32^n \tilde{f}_5(2^{-n}x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.31), **the following inequality is obtained**

$$\|\tilde{f}_5(x) - F^{(5)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K' \theta \|x\|^p}{69120(2^p - 32)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and, using (2.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(5)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 32^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_5(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 32^n \left( \left\| \frac{2048D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{69120} \right\| \right. \\ &+ \left\| \frac{1296D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{69120} \right\| + \left\| \frac{138D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{69120} \right\| + \left. \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+3}x, 2^{-n+3}y)}{69120} \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 2048 \cdot 2^{-np} + 1296 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 138 \cdot 2^{-np+2p} + 2^{-np+3p} \right) \frac{32^n \theta (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{69120} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 6.* For  $p \neq 6$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(6)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(6)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(6)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_6(x) - F^{(6)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta \|x\|^p}{2880 \cdot |64 - 2^p|} \quad (2.32)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 6$ , then it follows from (2.11) and (2.16) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^n x)}{64^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^{n+m} x)}{64^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^i x)}{64^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^{i+1} x)}{64^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^i x)}{184320 \cdot 64^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K 2^{ip} \theta \|x\|^p}{184320 \cdot 64^i} \end{aligned} \quad (2.33)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^n x)}{64^n} \right\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(6)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(6)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_6(2^n x)}{64^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.33), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_6(x) - F^{(6)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta \|x\|^p}{2880(64 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.7) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(6)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_6(2^n x, 2^n y)}{64^n} \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{64D\tilde{f}_e(2^n x, 2^n y)}{2880 \cdot 64^n} - \frac{5376D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1} x, 2^{n+1} y)}{2880 \cdot 64^n} + \frac{168D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2} x, 2^{n+2} y)}{2880 \cdot 64^n} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 64 \cdot 2^{np} + 20 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 2^{(n+2)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{2880 \cdot 64^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 6$ , then it follows from (2.11) and (2.16) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 64^n \tilde{f}_6(2^{-n} x) - 64^{n+m} \tilde{f}_6(2^{-n-m} x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 64^i \tilde{f}_6(2^{-i} x) - 64^{i+1} \tilde{f}_6(2^{-i-1} x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{64^{i+1} \Delta \tilde{f}_e(2^{-i-1} x)}{184320} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{64^i K \theta \|x\|^p}{2880 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.34)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{64^n \tilde{f}_6(2^{-n} x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(6)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(6)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 64^n \tilde{f}_6(2^{-n} x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.34), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_6(x) - F^{(6)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K\theta\|x\|^p}{2880(2^p - 64)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and by (2.7) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(6)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 64^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_6(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{64^n}{2880} \left\| 64D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) - 20D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y) + D\tilde{f}_e(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y) \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (64 \cdot 2^{-np} + 20 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 2^{-np+2p}) \frac{64^n \theta (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{2880} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Step 7.* For  $p \neq 7$ , there exists a mapping  $F^{(7)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(7)}(0) = 0$ ,  $DF^{(7)}(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and

$$\|\tilde{f}_7(x) - F^{(7)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{1451520 \cdot |128 - 2^p|} \quad (2.35)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

(1) If  $p < 7$ , then it follows from (2.12) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^n x)}{128^n} - \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^{n+m} x)}{128^{n+m}} \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^i x)}{128^i} - \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^{i+1} x)}{128^{i+1}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| \frac{\Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^i x)}{185794560 \cdot 128^i} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{K'\theta 2^{ip} \|x\|^p}{185794560 \cdot 128^i} \quad (2.36) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\left\{ \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^n x)}{128^n} \right\}$  becomes a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges, and hence we can define a mapping  $F^{(7)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(7)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_7(2^n x)}{128^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.36), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_7(x) - F^{(7)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K'\theta\|x\|^p}{1451520(128 - 2^p)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and, using (2.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(7)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{D\tilde{f}_7(2^n x, 2^n y)}{128^n} \right\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| -\frac{512D\tilde{f}_o(2^n x, 2^n y)}{65536 \cdot 128^n} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{336D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1}x, 2^{n+1}y)}{65536 \cdot 128^n} - \frac{42D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2}x, 2^{n+2}y)}{65536 \cdot 128^n} + \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+3}x, 2^{n+3}y)}{65536 \cdot 128^n} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 512 \cdot 2^{np} + 336 \cdot 2^{(n+1)p} + 42 \cdot 2^{(n+2)p} + 2^{(n+3)p} \right) \frac{\theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{65536 \cdot 128^n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

(2) If  $p > 7$ , then it follows from (2.12) and (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| 128^n \tilde{f}_7(2^{-n}x) - 128^{n+m} \tilde{f}_7(2^{-n-m}x) \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left( 128^i \tilde{f}_7(2^{-i}x) - 128^{i+1} \tilde{f}_7(2^{-i-1}x) \right) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \left\| -\frac{128^{i+1} \Gamma \tilde{f}_o(2^{-i-1}x)}{185794560} \right\| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{n+m-1} \frac{128^i K' \theta \|x\|^p}{1451520 \cdot 2^{(i+1)p}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.37)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . So  $\{128^n \tilde{f}_7(2^{-n}x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, it converges and we can define a mapping  $F^{(7)} : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$F^{(7)}(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 128^n \tilde{f}_7(2^{-n}x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Moreover, letting  $n = 0$  and passing the limit  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.37), the following inequality is obtained

$$\|\tilde{f}_7(x) - F^{(7)}(x)\| \leq \frac{K' \theta \|x\|^p}{1451520(2^p - 128)}$$

for all  $x \in X$ , and, using (2.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|DF^{(7)}(x, y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 128^n \left\| D\tilde{f}_7(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y) \right\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 128^n \left\| \frac{-512D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y)}{2835 \cdot 512} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{336D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+1}x, 2^{-n+1}y)}{2835 \cdot 512} - \frac{42D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+2}x, 2^{-n+2}y)}{2835 \cdot 8} + \frac{D\tilde{f}_o(2^{-n+3}x, 2^{-n+3}y)}{2835 \cdot 512} \right\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 512 \cdot 2^{-np} + 336 \cdot 2^{-np+p} + 42 \cdot 2^{-np+2p} + 2^{-np+3p} \right) \frac{128^n \theta (\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)}{1451520} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Now, using the functions  $F^{(1)}, F^{(2)}, \dots, F^{(7)} : X \rightarrow Y$  of **Step 1, Step 2, ..., and Step 7**, respectively, we put

$$F(x) := \sum_{i=1}^7 F^{(i)}(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $\|\tilde{f}(x) - F(x)\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^7 \|\tilde{f}_i(x) - F^{(i)}(x)\|$  for all  $x \in X$ , together with (2.17), (2.20), (2.23), (2.26), (2.29), (2.32), (2.35), **the property (2.14) is obtained. It is obvious that**

$$DF(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^7 DF^{(i)}(x, y) = 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Finally, to prove the uniqueness of  $F$ , let  $G : X \rightarrow Y$  be another mapping, which satisfies the property (2.14),  $G(0) = 0$ , and  $DG(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . And let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_7 : X \rightarrow Y$  be defined as in Definition 2.1. Since  $DG_o(x, y) = DG_e(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$DG_i(x, y) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Additionally, by (2.14) with the definitions of the odd function and the even function of Definition 2.1, we get

$$\|\tilde{f}_e(x) - G_e(x)\|, \quad \|\tilde{f}_o(x) - G_o(x)\| \leq N\theta\|x\|^p \quad (2.38)$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where

$$N := \frac{K'}{22680 \cdot |2 - 2^p|} + \frac{K}{720 \cdot |4 - 2^p|} + \frac{K'}{17280 \cdot |8 - 2^p|} + \frac{K}{576 \cdot |16 - 2^p|} \\ + \frac{K'}{69120 \cdot |32 - 2^p|} + \frac{K}{2880 \cdot |64 - 2^p|} + \frac{K'}{1451520 \cdot |2^p - 128|}.$$

**It is notable that**  $\Gamma G(x) = \Delta G(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$  by (2.9)-(2.12), **it can be proved** that  $G_i(2x) = 2^i G_i(x)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$ , for all  $x \in X$ . Particularly, they hold that

$$G_2(x) = 2^2 G_2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \dots = 4^n G_2\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \quad (2.39)$$

$$G_3(2^n x) = 2^3 G_3(2^{n-1} x) = \dots = 8^n G_3(x) \quad (2.40)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Now, **it can be noted** that, in the case of  $2 < p < 3$ , we have

$$\left\| 4^n \tilde{f}_2\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - G_2(x) \right\| = \left\| 4^n \tilde{f}_2\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - 4^n G_2\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \leq \frac{1024 \cdot 4^n}{720} \left\| \tilde{f}_e\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) - G_e\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \\ + \frac{80 \cdot 4^n}{720} \left\| \tilde{f}_e\left(\frac{2x}{2^n}\right) - G_e\left(\frac{2x}{2^n}\right) \right\| + \frac{4^n}{720} \left\| \tilde{f}_e\left(\frac{4x}{2^n}\right) - G_e\left(\frac{4x}{2^n}\right) \right\| \\ \leq (1024 + 80 \cdot 2^p + 4^p) \frac{4^n}{720 \cdot 2^{np}} N\theta\|x\|^p,$$

and

$$\left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n} - G_3(x) \right\| = \left\| \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n} - \frac{G_3(2^n x)}{8^n} \right\| \\ \leq \left\| \frac{8192(\tilde{f}_o(2^n x) - G_o(2^n x))}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{4416(\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+1} x) - G_o(2^{n+1} x))}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| \\ + \left\| \frac{162(\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+2} x) - G_o(2^{n+2} x))}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| + \left\| \frac{(\tilde{f}_o(2^{n+3} x) - G_o(2^{n+3} x))}{17280 \cdot 8^n} \right\| \\ \leq \left( 8192 + 4416 \cdot 2^p + 162 \cdot 2^{2p} + 2^{3p} \right) \frac{2^{np} N\theta\|x\|^p}{17280 \cdot 8^n}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive integers  $n$ . Taking the limit in the above inequalities as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$G_2(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{4}^n \tilde{f}_2 \left( \frac{x}{2^n} \right) = F^{(2)}(x), \quad G_3(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{f}_3(2^n x)}{8^n} = F^{(3)}(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Also, in the same way, it can be shown that  $G_i(x) = F^{(i)}(x)$ ,  $i = 1, 4, 5, 6, 7$ , for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore, it can be shown that  $G(x) = F(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  in the case of  $2 < p < 3$ . Similarly, the uniqueness of  $F$  can be proved in other cases of  $p$ .  $\square$

### 3 Conclusion

In this work, we have investigated the stability of the following general septic functional equation

$$D(x, y) := \sum_{i=0}^8 {}_8C_i (-1)^{8-i} f(x + (i-4)y) = 0,$$

from the perspective of Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability. Precisely, for a non-negative real number  $p \neq 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$  and a real number  $\theta > 0$ , if the mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies

$$\|Df(x, y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then there exists a unique septic mapping  $F$ , i.e.,  $DF(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , such that  $F(0) = 0$  and

$$\|f(x) - f(0) - F(x)\| \leq \epsilon_p \theta \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where the constant  $\epsilon_p$  depends only on  $p$ . To prove it, we use the mappings  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7 : X \rightarrow Y$  which are defined in Theorem 2.2, such that

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^7 f_i(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . And then, it is possible to construct the septic mappings  $F^{(1)}, F^{(2)}, \dots, F^{(7)} : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfying  $F^{(i)}(0) = 0$  and

$$\|f_i(x) - f_i(0) - F^{(i)}(x)\| \leq \epsilon_{i,p} \theta \|x\|^p,$$

for all  $x \in X$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$  and  $\epsilon_{i,p}$  depends only on  $i$  and  $p$ . Then, putting

$$F(x) := \sum_{i=1}^7 F^{(i)}(x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ , we have shown that  $F$  is the unique solution of the general septic functional equation  $D(x, y) = 0$  such that  $\|f(x) - f(0) - F(x)\| \leq \epsilon_p \theta \|x\|^p$  for all  $x \in X$ , where  $\epsilon_p := \sum_{i=0}^7 \epsilon_{i,p}$ .

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