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# Approximate multi-variable bi-Jensen-type mappings

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**Abstract:** In this study, we obtained the stability of the multi-variable bi-Jensen-type functional equation:

$$n^2 f\left(\frac{x_1 + \cdots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \cdots + y_n}{n}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j).$$

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## 1 Introduction

In 1940, Ulam [1] suggested the stability problem of functional equations concerning the stability of group homomorphisms:

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a group and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a metric group with the metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , does there exist a  $\delta > 0$  such that if a mapping  $h : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  satisfies the inequality  $d(h(xy), h(x)h(y)) < \delta$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{G}$  then there is a homomorphism  $H : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  with  $d(h(x), H(x)) < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{G}$ ?

Hyers-Ulam stability is a mathematical result that deals with the variation of approximations of a function under small perturbations. Research on the stability of functional equations has been continuously conducted, and rich results are coming out [2–8].

Throughout this article, let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the vector spaces.

**Definition 1.** A mapping  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is called a *bi-Jensen mapping* if  $f$  satisfies the system of equations:

$$2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, z\right) = f(x, z) + f(y, z), \quad \text{and} \quad 2f\left(x, \frac{y+z}{2}\right) = f(x, y) + f(x, z). \quad (1)$$

Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping. In 2006, Bae and Park [9] obtained the general solution of the bi-Jensen functional equation

$$4f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \frac{z+w}{2}\right) = f(x, z) + f(x, w) + f(y, z) + f(y, w) \quad (2)$$

and proved its stability. Subsequent articles have been published since 2008 by several authors [10–13].

For an integer  $n$  greater than 1, consider the multi-variable bi-Jensen-type functional equation:

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$$n^2 f\left(\frac{x_1 + \cdots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \cdots + y_n}{n}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j). \quad (3)$$

Equation (2) is a special case of equation (3).

In 2011, Park [14] investigated the approximate additive, Jensen, and quadratic mappings in 2-Banach spaces. In 2018, EL-Fassi [15] investigated the generalized hyperstability of bi-Jensen functional equation in  $(2, \beta)$ -Banach spaces.

In this study, we solved the solution and investigated the stability of the multi-variable bi-Jensen-type functional equation (3) in 2-Banach spaces and quasi-Banach spaces.

## 2 Main results

We introduce some definitions on 2-Banach spaces [16,17].

**Definition 2.** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a real vector space with  $\dim \mathcal{X} \geq 2$  and  $\|\cdot, \cdot\| : \mathcal{X}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Then,  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is called a *linear 2-normed space* if the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent,
- (b)  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$ ,
- (c)  $\|\alpha x, y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$ ,
- (d)  $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$ ,

for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$ . In this case, the function  $\|\cdot, \cdot\|$  is called a *2-norm* on  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a linear 2-normed space  $\mathcal{X}$ . The sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be *convergent* in  $\mathcal{X}$  if there exists an element  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x, y\| = 0$$

for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ . In this case, we say that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to the limit  $x$ , simply, denoted by  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .

**Definition 4.** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a linear 2-normed space  $\mathcal{X}$  is called a *Cauchy sequence* if there are two linearly independent points  $y, z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $m, n \geq N$ ,  $\|x_m - x_n, y\| < \varepsilon$  and  $\|x_m - x_n, z\| < \varepsilon$ . A *2-Banach space* is defined to be a linear 2-normed space in which every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

In the following lemma, we obtain some basic properties in a linear 2-normed space, which will be used to prove the stability results.

**Lemma 1.** [14] Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a linear 2-normed space and  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

- (a) If  $\|x, y\| = 0$  for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ , then  $x = 0$ .
- (b)  $|||x, z|| - ||y, z||| \leq \|x - y, z\|$  for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$ .
- (c) If a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent in  $\mathcal{X}$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n, y\| = \|\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, y\|$  for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a normed space and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be a 2-Banach space.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfy (3). And let  $g_x, g'_y : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be given by  $g_x(y) = f(x, y) - f(x, 0)$  and  $g'_y(x) = f(x, y) - f(0, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then,  $g_x$  is additive for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $g'_y$  is additive for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Proof.** Letting  $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = x$ ,  $y_1 = y$ , and  $y_2 = \dots = y_n = 0$  in (3), we have

$$nf\left(x, \frac{y}{n}\right) = f(x, y) + (n-1)f(x, 0)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . So, we have

$$ng_x\left(\frac{y}{n}\right) = nf\left(x, \frac{y}{n}\right) - nf(x, 0) = f(x, y) - f(x, 0) = g_x(y) \quad (4)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = x$  and  $y_3 = \dots = y_n = 0$  in (3), we have

$$nf\left(x, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{n}\right) = f(x, y_1) + f(x, y_2) + (n-2)f(x, 0)$$

for all  $x, y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{X}$ . So, we have

$$ng_x\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2}{n}\right) = nf\left(x, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{n}\right) - nf(x, 0) = f(x, y_1) + f(x, y_2) - 2f(x, 0) = g_x(y_1) + g_x(y_2)$$

for all  $x, y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{X}$ . By equation (4) and the aforementioned equation, we know that  $g_x$  is additive for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ . Similarly, we also know that  $g'_y$  is additive for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.** A mapping  $f: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfies (1) if and only if it satisfies (3).

**Proof.** First, we assume that  $f$  satisfies (1). By [9], there exist a bi-additive mapping  $B: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  and two additive mappings  $A, A': \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  such that  $f(x, y) = B(x, y) + A(x) + A'(y) + f(0, 0)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^2f\left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right) &= n^2B\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j\right) + n^2A\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) + n^2A'\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j\right) + n^2f(0, 0) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n B(x_i, y_j) + n \sum_{i=1}^n A(x_i) + n \sum_{j=1}^n A'(y_j) + n^2f(0, 0) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n B(x_i, y_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A'(y_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(0, 0) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in \mathcal{X}$ , i.e.,  $f$  satisfies (3).

Conversely, assume that  $f$  satisfies (3). Define  $g_x, g'_y: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by  $g_x(y) = f(x, y) - f(x, 0)$  and  $g'_y(x) = f(x, y) - f(0, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By Lemma 2,  $g_x$  is additive for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $g'_y$  is additive for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Thus, we obtain

$$2g_x\left(\frac{y+z}{2}\right) = g_x(y) + g_x(z)$$

and

$$2f\left(x, \frac{y+z}{2}\right) = 2g_x\left(\frac{y+z}{2}\right) + 2f(x, 0) = f(x, y) + f(x, z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$ . Similarly, we obtain

$$2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, z\right) = f(x, z) + f(y, z)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$ , i.e.,  $f$  satisfies (1).  $\square$

The following theorem proves the stability of equation (3) in 2-Banach spaces.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $r \in (0, 2)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta, \eta \geq 0$ , and let  $f: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a surjection satisfying  $f(x, 0) = 0$  such that

$$\left\| n^2 f\left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j), f(s, t) \right\| \leq \varepsilon + \delta \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r + \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^r \right) + \eta(\|s\| + \|t\|) \quad (5)$$

for all  $x, x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then, there exists a unique bi-additive mapping  $F: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  such that

$$\|f(x, y) - f(0, y) - F(x, y), f(s, t)\| \leq \frac{2}{n^2 - 1} [\varepsilon + \eta(\|s\| + \|t\|)] + \frac{n^r \delta}{n^2 - n^r} (\|x\|^r + 2\|y\|^r) \quad (6)$$

for all  $x, y, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $g(x, y) := f(x, y) - f(0, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then,  $g(0, y) = 0$  for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By (5),  $g$  satisfies

$$\left\| n^2 g\left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g(x_i, y_j), f(s, t) \right\| \leq 2\varepsilon + \delta \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^r \right) + 2\eta(\|s\| + \|t\|) \quad (7)$$

for all  $x, x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$ . Putting  $x_1 = n^{k+1}x$ ,  $x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$ ,  $y_1 = n^{k+1}y$ ,  $y_2 = \dots = y_n = 0$  in (7), we gain

$$\left\| \frac{1}{n^{2k}} g(n^k x, n^k y) - \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} g(n^{k+1} x, n^{k+1} y), f(s, t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} [2\varepsilon + \delta n^{r(k+1)} (\|x\|^r + 2\|y\|^r) + 2\eta(\|s\| + \|t\|)] \quad (8)$$

for all  $x, y, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . Thus, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{n^{2l}} g(n^l x, n^l y) - \frac{1}{n^{2m}} g(n^m x, n^m y), f(s, t) \right\| \leq \sum_{k=l}^{m-1} \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} [2\varepsilon + \delta n^{r(k+1)} (\|x\|^r + 2\|y\|^r) + 2\eta(\|s\| + \|t\|)] \quad (9)$$

for all integers  $l, m$  ( $0 \leq l < m$ ) and all  $x, y, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$ . By (9), the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n^{2k}} g(n^k x, n^k y)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for each  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Since  $\mathcal{Y}$  is complete, the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n^{2k}} g(n^k x, n^k y)\}$  converges for each  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Define  $F: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by:

$$F(x, y) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} g(n^k x, n^k y) \quad (10)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By (7), we have

$$\frac{1}{n^{2k}} \left\| n^2 g\left(n^{k-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, n^{k-1} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g(n^k x_i, n^k y_j), f(s, t) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{n^{2k}} \left[ 2\varepsilon + n^{kr} \delta \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^r \right) + 2\eta(\|s\| + \|t\|) \right]$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the aforementioned inequality, we obtain that  $F$  satisfies (3). By Theorem 1,  $F$  is a bi-Jensen mapping. Setting  $l = 0$  and taking  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (9), one can obtain inequality (6).

Define  $G_x, G'_y: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by  $G_x(y) := F(x, y) - F(x, 0)$  and  $G'_y(x) := F(x, y) - F(0, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By Lemma 2,  $G_x$  is additive for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $G'_y$  is additive for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Since  $F(x, 0) = F(0, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ , we have  $G_x(y) = G'_y(x) = F(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Hence,  $F$  is bi-additive.

Let  $G: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be another bi-additive mapping satisfying (6). Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(x, y) - G(x, y), f(s, t)\| &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} \|f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y) - G(n^k x, n^k y), f(s, t)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} \left[ \frac{2}{n^2 - 1} [\varepsilon + \eta(\|s\| + \|t\|)] + \frac{n^{r(k+1)} \delta}{n^2 - n^r} (\|x\|^r + 2\|y\|^r) \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, s, t \in \mathcal{X}$ . So  $F = G$ . □

In [18–20], one can find the concept of quasi-Banach spaces.

**Definition 5.** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a real vector space. A *quasi-norm* is a real-valued function on  $\mathcal{X}$  satisfying the following:

- (i)  $\|x\| \geq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .
- (ii)  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .
- (iii) There is a constant  $K \geq 1$  such that  $\|x + y\| \leq K(\|x\| + \|y\|)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

The pair  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a *quasi-normed space* if  $\|\cdot\|$  is a quasi-norm on  $\mathcal{X}$ . The smallest possible  $K$  is called the *modulus of concavity* of  $\|\cdot\|$ . A *quasi-Banach space* is a complete quasi-normed space. A quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is called a *p-norm* ( $0 < p \leq 1$ ) if

$$\|x + y\|^p \leq \|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . In this case, a quasi-Banach space is called a *p-Banach space*.

From now on, assume that  $\mathcal{X}$  is a quasi-normed space with quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and that  $\mathcal{Y}$  is a *p-Banach space* with *p-norm*  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{Y}}$ . Let  $K$  be the modulus of concavity of  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{Y}}$ .

We will use the following lemma in the proof of the next theorem.

**Lemma 3.** [21] Let  $0 \leq p \leq 1$  and let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be non-negative real numbers. Then,

$$(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^p \leq x_1^p + x_2^p + \dots + x_n^p.$$

The following theorem proves the stability of equation (3) in quasi-Banach spaces.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $r \in (0, 2)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta \geq 0$  and let  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping satisfying  $f(x, 0) = 0$  such that

$$\left\| n^2 f\left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}, \frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j) \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \varepsilon + \delta \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^r + \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^r \right) \quad (11)$$

for all  $x, x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then, there exists a unique bi-additive mapping  $F : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  such that

$$\|f(x, y) - f(0, y) - F(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \left[ \frac{2\varepsilon^p}{n^{2p} - 1} + \frac{n^{pr} \delta^p}{n^{2p} - n^{pr}} (\|x\|^{pr} + 2\|y\|^{pr}) \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad (12)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Proof.** Letting  $x_1 = n^{k+1}x$ ,  $x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$ ,  $y_1 = n^{k+1}y$ ,  $y_2 = \dots = y_n = 0$  in (11), we gain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{1}{n^{2k}} f(n^k x, n^k y) - \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} f(n^{k+1} x, n^{k+1} y) - \frac{n-1}{n^{2(k+1)}} f(0, n^{k+1} y) \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} [\varepsilon + \delta n^{r(k+1)} (\|x\|^r + \|y\|^r)] \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . Putting  $x = 0$  in the aforementioned inequality, we obtain

$$\left\| \frac{1}{n^{2k}} f(0, n^k y) - \frac{n}{n^{2(k+1)}} f(0, n^{k+1} y) \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} [\varepsilon + \delta n^{r(k+1)} \|y\|^r]$$

for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . By the aforementioned two inequalities, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{1}{n^{2k}} [f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y)] - \frac{1}{n^{2(k+1)}} [f(n^{k+1} x, n^{k+1} y) - f(0, n^{k+1} y)] \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^p \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n^{2p(k+1)}} [2\varepsilon^p + \delta^p n^{pr(k+1)} (\|x\|^{pr} + 2\|y\|^{pr})] \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{1}{n^{2l}} [f(n^l x, n^l y) - f(0, n^l y)] - \frac{1}{n^{2m}} [f(n^m x, n^m y) - f(0, n^m y)] \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^p \\ & \leq \sum_{k=l}^{m-1} \frac{1}{n^{2p(k+1)}} [2\varepsilon^p + \delta^p n^{pr(k+1)} (\|x\|^{pr} + 2\|y\|^{pr})] \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

for all integers  $l, m$  ( $0 \leq l < m$ ) and all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By (14), the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n^{2k}} [f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y)]\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Since  $\mathcal{Y}$  is complete, the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n^{2k}} [f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y)]\}$  converges for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Define  $F : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by:

$$F(x, y) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} [f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y)]$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Setting  $x_1 = \dots = x_n = 0$  in (11), we gain

$$\left\| n^2 f \left( 0, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \right) - n \sum_{j=1}^n f(0, y_j) \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \varepsilon + \delta \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^r$$

for all  $y_1, \dots, y_n \in \mathcal{X}$ . By (11), the aforementioned inequality and Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{n^{2pk}} \left\| n^2 f \left( n^{k-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, n^{k-1} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \right) - n^2 f \left( 0, n^{k-1} \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [f(n^k x_i, n^k y_j) - f(0, n^k y_j)] \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^p \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n^{2pk}} \left[ 2\varepsilon^p + n^{kpr} \delta^p \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^{pr} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^{pr} \right) \right] \\ & = 2\varepsilon^p \left( \frac{1}{n^{2p}} \right)^k + n^{(r-2)pk} \delta^p \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^{pr} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \|y_j\|^{pr} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in \mathcal{X}$  and all  $k$ . Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the aforementioned inequality, we obtain that  $F$  satisfies (3).

Define  $G_x, G'_y : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by  $G_x(y) := F(x, y) - F(x, 0)$  and  $G'_y(x) := F(x, y) - F(0, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . By Lemma 2,  $G_x$  is additive for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $G'_y$  is additive for all  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Since  $F(x, 0) = F(0, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ , we have  $G_x(y) = G'_y(x) = F(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . Hence,  $F$  is bi-additive. Setting  $l = 0$  and taking  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (14), one can obtain inequality (12).

To prove the uniqueness of  $F$ , let  $G : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be another bi-additive mapping satisfying (12). Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(x, y) - G(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{Y}} &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} \|f(n^k x, n^k y) - f(0, n^k y) - G(n^k x, n^k y)\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{2k}} \left[ \frac{2\varepsilon^p}{n^{2p} - 1} + \frac{n^{pr(k+1)} \delta^p}{n^{2p} - n^{pr}} (\|x\|^{pr} + 2\|y\|^{pr}) \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ . So  $F = G$ . □

Taking  $n = 2$  and  $\delta = 0$  in Theorem 3, we obtain the following corollary. The result coincides with the one of Corollary 4 in [22].

**Corollary 1.** Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. Suppose that  $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a mapping satisfying  $f(x, 0) = 0$  such that

$$\left\| 4f \left( \frac{x+y}{2}, \frac{z+w}{2} \right) - f(x, z) - f(x, w) - f(y, z) - f(y, w) \right\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \varepsilon$$

for all  $x, y, z, w \in X$ . Then, there exists a unique bi-additive mapping  $F : X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfying

$$\|f(x, y) - f(0, y) - F(x, y)\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq \varepsilon \left( \frac{2}{4^p - 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

### 3 Conclusion

We demonstrated the stability of the multi-variable bi-Jensen functional equation (3) as the duplicative fusion equation of the multi-variable Jensen functional equation:

$$nf\left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}\right) = f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_n).$$

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