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Generalized Ulam-Hyers Stability of Jensen Functional Equation in Šerstnev PN Spaces

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We establish a generalized Ulam-Hyers stability theorem in a Šerstnev probabilistic normed space (briefly, Šerstnev PN-space) endowed with Π_M . In particular, we introduce the notion of approximate Jensen mapping in PN-spaces and prove that if an approximate Jensen mapping in a Šerstnev PN-space is continuous at a point then we can approximate it by an everywhere continuous Jensen mapping. As a version of a theorem of Schwaiger, we also show that if every approximate Jensen type mapping from the natural numbers into a Šerstnev PN-space can be approximated by an additive mapping, then the norm of Šerstnev PN-space is complete.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Menger proposed transferring the probabilistic notions of quantum mechanic from physics to the underlying geometry. The theory of probabilistic normed spaces (briefly, PN-spaces) is important as a generalization of deterministic result of linear normed spaces and also in the study of random operator equations. The notion of a probabilistic normed space was introduced by Šerstnev [1]. Alsina, Schweizer, and Skalar gave a general definition of probabilistic normed space based on the definition of Meneger for probabilistic metric spaces in [2, 3].

Ulam propounded the first stability problem in 1940 [4]. Hyers gave a partial affirmative answer to the question of Ulam in the next year [5].

Theorem 1.1 (see [6]). Let X, Y be Banach spaces and let $f : X \to Y$ be a mapping satisfying

$$\left\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\right\| \le \epsilon \tag{1.1}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then the limit

$$a(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^n x)}{2^n}$$
 (1.2)

exists for all $x \in X$ and $a : X \to Y$ is the unique additive mapping satisfying

$$\left\|f(x) - a(x)\right\| \le \epsilon \tag{1.3}$$

for all $x \in X$.

Hyers' theorem was generalized by Aoki [7] for additive mappings and by Th. M. Rassias [8] for linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference. For some historical remarks see [9].

Theorem 1.2 (see [10]). Let X and Y be two Banach spaces. Let $\theta \in [0, \infty)$ and let $p \in [0, 1)$. If a function $f : X \to Y$ satisfies the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \le \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$
(1.4)

for all $x, y \in X$, then there exists a unique linear mapping $T : X \to Y$ such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \le \frac{2\theta}{2 - 2^p} \|x\|^p$$
 (1.5)

for all $x \in X$. Moreover, if f(tx) is continuous in t for each fixed $x \in X$, then the function T is linear.

Theorem 1.2 was later extended for all $p \neq 1$. The stability phenomenon that was presented by Rassias is called the generalized Ulam-Hyers stability. In 1982, Rassias [11] gave a further generalization of the result of Hyers and proved the following theorem using weaker conditions controlled by a product of powers of norms.

Theorem 1.3. Let $f : E \to E'$ be a mapping from a normed vector space E into a Banach space E' subject to the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \le \epsilon \|x\|^p \|y\|^p$$
(1.6)

for all $x, y \in E$, where ϵ and p are constants with $\epsilon > 0$ and $0 \le p < 1/2$. Then the limit

$$L(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(2^{n}x)}{2^{n}}$$
(1.7)

exists for all $x \in E$ and $L : E \to E'$ is the unique additive mapping which satisfies

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \le \frac{\epsilon}{2 - 2^{2p}} \|x\|^{2p}$$
 (1.8)

for all $x \in E$.

The above mentioned stability involving a product of powers of norms is called Ulam-Gavruta-Rassias stability by various authors (see [12–21]). In the last two decades, several forms of mixed type functional equations and their Ulam-Hyers stability are dealt with in various spaces like fuzzy normed spaces, random normed spaces, quasi-Banach spaces, quasi-normed linear spaces, and Banach algebras by various authors like in [6, 9, 14, 22–38].

Let $f : X \to Y$ be a mapping between linear spaces. The Jensen functional equation is

$$2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = f(x) + f(y). \tag{1.9}$$

It is easy to see that f with f(0) = 0 satisfies the Jensen equation if and only if it is additive; compare for [39, Theorem 6]. Stability of Jensen equation has been studied at first by Kominek [36] and then by several other mathematicians example, (see [10, 33, 40–42] and references therein).

PN spaces were first defined by Šerstnev in1963 (see [1]). Their definition was generalized in [2]. We recall and apply the definition of probabilistic space briefly as given in [43], together with the notation that will be needed (see [43]). A distance distribution function (briefly, a d.d.f.) is a nondecreasing function *F* from \mathbb{R}^+ into [0,1] that satisfies F(0) = 0 and $F(+\infty) = 1$, and is left-continuous on $(0, +\infty)$; here as usual, $\mathbb{R}^+ := [0, +\infty]$. The space of d.d.f.'s will be denoted by Δ^+ , and the set of all *F* in Δ^+ for which $\lim_{t\to +\infty^-} F(t) = 1$ by D^+ . The space Δ^+ is partially ordered by the usual pointwise ordering of functions, that is, $F \leq G$ if and only if $F(x) \leq G(x)$ for all *x* in \mathbb{R}^+ . For any $a \geq 0$, ε_a is the d.d.f. given by

$$\varepsilon_a(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \le a, \\ 1, & \text{if } t > a. \end{cases}$$
(1.10)

The space Δ^+ can be metrized in several ways [43], but we shall here adopt the Sibley metric d_S . If *F*, *G* are d.f.'s and *h* is in]0,1[, let (*F*, *G*; *h*) denote the condition

$$G(x) \le F(x+h) + h \quad \forall x \in \left] 0, \frac{1}{h} \right[.$$
(1.11)

Then the Sibley metric d_S is defined by

$$d_{S}(F,G) := \inf\{h \in]0,1[: both (F,G;h) and (G,F;h) hold\}.$$
 (1.12)

In particular, under the usual pointwise ordering of functions, ε_0 is the maximal element of Δ^+ . A triangle function is a binary operation on Δ^+ , namely, a function $\tau : \Delta^+ \times \Delta^+ \to \Delta^+$ that is associative, commutative, nondecreasing in each place, and has ε_0 as identity, that is, for all *F*, *G* and *H* in Δ^+ :

(TF1) $\tau(\tau(F,G),H) = \tau(F,\tau(G,H)),$ (TF2) $\tau(F,G) = \tau(G,F),$ (TF3) $F \le G \Rightarrow \tau(F, H) \le \tau(G, H)$, (TF4) $\tau(F, \varepsilon_0) = \tau(\varepsilon_0, F) = F$.

Moreover, a triangle function is *continuous* if it is continuous in the metric space (Δ^+, d_S) .

Typical continuous triangle functions are $\Pi_T(F,G)(x) = \sup_{s+t=x} T(F(s), G(t))$, and $\Pi_{T^*}(F,G)(x) = \inf_{s+t=x} T^*(F(s), G(t))$. Here *T* is a continuous t-norm, that is, a continuous binary operation on [0,1] that is commutative, associative, nondecreasing in each variable, and has 1 as identity; *T*^{*} is a continuous *t*-conorm, namely, a continuous binary operation on [0,1] which is related to the continuous *t*-norm *T* through $T^*(x, y) = 1 - T(1 - x, 1 - y)$. For example, $T(x, y) = \min(x, y) = M(x, y)$ and $T^*(x, y) = \max(x, y)$ or $T(x, y) = \pi(x, y) = xy$ and $T^*(x, y) = \pi^*(x, y) = x + y - xy$.

Note that $\prod_M (F, G)(x) = \min\{F(x), G(x)\}$ for $F, G \in \Delta^+$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Definition 1.4. A Probabilistic Normed space (briefly, PN space) is a quadruple (X, v, τ, τ^*) , where X is a real vector space, τ and τ^* are continuous triangle functions with $\tau \le \tau^*$ and v is a mapping (the *probabilistic norm*) from X into Δ^+ such that for every choice of p and q in X the following hold:

- (N1) $v_p = \varepsilon_0$ if and only if $p = \theta$ (θ is the null vector in *X*),
- (N2) $v_{-p} = v_p$,
- (N3) $v_{p+q} \geq \tau(v_p, v_q)$,
- (N4) $\nu_p \leq \tau^*(\nu_{\lambda p}, \nu_{(1-\lambda)p})$ for every $\lambda \in [0, 1]$.

A PN space is called a Šerstnev space if it satisfies (N1), (N3) and the following condition:

$$\nu_{ap}(x) = \nu_p\left(\frac{x}{|\alpha|}\right) \tag{1.13}$$

holds for every $\alpha \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and x > 0. When here is a continuous *t*-norm *T* such that $\tau = \Pi_T$ and $\tau^* = \Pi_{T^*}$, the PN space (X, ν, τ, τ^*) is called Meneger PN space (briefly, MPN space), and is denoted by (X, ν, τ) .

Let (X, v, τ) be an MPN space and let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X. Then $\{x_n\}$ is said to be convergent if there exists $x \in X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu(x_n - x)(t) = 1 \tag{1.14}$$

for all t > 0. In this case x is called the limit of $\{x_n\}$.

The sequence x_n in MPN Space (X, v, τ) is called Cauchy if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ there exist some n_0 such that $v(x_n - x_m)(\delta) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \ge n_0$.

Clearly, every convergent sequence in an MPN space is Cauchy. If each Cauchy sequence is convergent in an MPN space (X, v, τ) , then (X, v, τ) is called Meneger Probabilistic Banach space (briefly, MPB space).

2. Stability of Jensen Mapping in Šerstnev MPN Spaces

In this section, we provide a generalized Ulam-Hyers stability theorem in a Šerstnev MPN space.

Theorem 2.1. Let X be a real linear space and let f be a mapping from X to a Šerstnev MPB space (Y, ν, Π_M) such that f(0) = 0. Suppose that φ is a mapping from X into a Šerstnev MPN space (Z, ω, Π_M) such that

$$\nu\left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - f(x) - f(y)\right)(t) \ge \Pi_M\{\omega(\varphi(x)), \omega(\varphi(y))\}(t),$$
(2.1)

for all $x, y \in X - \{0\}$ and positive real number t. If $\varphi(3x) = \alpha\varphi(x)$ for some real number α with $0 < |\alpha| < 3$, then there is a unique additive mapping $T : X \to Y$ such that $T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n)$ and

$$\nu(T(x) - f(x)) \ge \psi_x(t), \tag{2.2}$$

where

$$\psi_x(t) := \Pi_M \{ \Pi_M \{ \omega(\varphi(x)), \omega(\varphi(-x)) \}, \Pi_M \{ \omega(\varphi(3x)), \omega(\varphi(-x)) \} \} (3t).$$

$$(2.3)$$

Proof. Without loss of generality we may assume that $0 < \alpha < 3$. Replacing *y* by -x in (2.1) we get

$$\nu(-f(x) - f(-x))(t) \ge \prod_M \{\omega(\varphi(x)), \omega(\varphi(-x))\}(t)$$
(2.4)

and replacing x by -x and y by 3x in (2.1), we obtain

$$\nu(2f(x) - f(-x) - f(3x))(t) \ge \prod_{M} \{\omega(\varphi(-x)), \omega(\varphi(3x))\}(t).$$
(2.5)

Thus

$$\nu(3f(x) - f(3x))(t) \ge \Pi_M \{\Pi_M \{\omega(\varphi(x)), \omega(\varphi(-x))\}, \Pi_M \{\omega(\varphi(3x)), \omega(\varphi(-x))\}\}(t)$$
(2.6)

and so

$$\nu \Big(f(x) - 3^{-1} f(3x) \Big)(t) \ge \psi_x(t).$$
(2.7)

By our assumption, we have

$$\psi_{3x}(t) = \psi_x \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}t\right). \tag{2.8}$$

Replacing x by $3^n x$ in (2.7) and applying (2.8), we get

$$\nu \left(f(3^{n}x)3^{-n} - f\left(3^{n+1}x\right)3^{-n-1} \right) \left(\frac{\alpha^{n}}{3^{n}}t\right) = \nu \left(f(3^{n}) - f\left(3^{n+1}x\right)3^{-1} \right) (\alpha^{n}t)$$

$$\geq \psi_{3^{n}x}(\alpha^{n}t) = \psi_{x}(t).$$
(2.9)

Thus for each n > m, we have

$$\nu(f(3^{m}x)3^{-m} - f(3^{n}x)3^{-n})\left(\frac{\alpha^{m}}{3^{m}}t\right) = \nu\left(\sum_{k=m}^{n-1} \left(f\left(3^{k}x\right)3^{-k} - f\left(3^{k+1}x\right)3^{-k-1}\right)\right)\left(\frac{\alpha^{m}}{3^{m}}t\right) \\ \ge \Pi_{M}\left\{\nu\left(f(3^{m}x)3^{-m} - f\left(3^{m+1}x\right)3^{-m-1}\right)\left(\frac{\alpha^{m}}{3^{m}}t\right), \\ \nu\left(\sum_{k=m+1}^{n-1} f\left(3^{k}x\right)3^{-k} - f\left(3^{k+1}x\right)3^{-k-1}\right)\left(\frac{\alpha^{m+1}}{3^{m+1}}t\right)\right\} \\ \ge \psi_{x}(t).$$
(2.10)

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ be given. Since

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \varphi_x(t) = 1, \tag{2.11}$$

there is some $t_0 > 0$ such that $\varphi_x(t_0) > 1 - \varepsilon$. Since

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \left(\frac{\alpha^m}{3^m} t_0 \right) = 0, \tag{2.12}$$

there is some $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(\alpha^m/3^m)t_0 < \delta$ for all $m \ge n_0$. Thus for all $n > m \ge n_0$ we have

$$\nu(f(3^{m}x)3^{-m} - f(3^{n}x)3^{-n})(\delta) \ge \nu(f(3^{m}x)3^{-m} - f(3^{n}x)3^{-n})\left(\frac{\alpha^{m}}{3^{m}}t_{0}\right)$$

$$\ge \psi_{x}(t_{0}) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$
(2.13)

This shows that $\{3^{-n}f(3^nx)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (Y, ν, Π_M) . Since (Y, ν, Π_M) is complete, $\{f(3^nx)3^{-n}\}$ converges to some $T(x) \in Y$. Thus we can well define a mapping $T : X \to Y$ by

$$T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x).$$
(2.14)

Moreover, if we put m = 0 in (2.10), then we obtain

$$\nu(f(x) - f(3^n x)3^{-n})(t) \ge \psi_x(t).$$
(2.15)

Next we will show that *T* is additive. Let $x, y \in X$. Then we have

$$\nu \left(2T\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - T(x) - T(y)\right)(t)$$

$$\geq \Pi_{M} \left\{ \Pi_{M} \left\{ \nu \left(2T\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}3^{n}\right)3^{-n}\right), \nu \left(f(3^{n}x)3^{-n} - T(x)\right)\right\}(t),$$

$$\Pi_{M} \left\{ \nu \left(f(3^{n}y)3^{-n} - T(y)\right), \nu \left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}3^{n}\right)3^{-n} - f(3^{n}x)3^{-n} - f(3^{n}y)3^{-n}\right)\right\}(t) \right\}.$$
(2.16)

But we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu \left(2T \left(\frac{x+y}{2} \right) - 2f \left(\frac{x+y}{2} 3^n \right) 3^{-n} \right)(t) = 1,$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu \left(f (3^n x) 3^{-n} - T(x) \right)(t) = 1,$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu \left(f (3^n y) 3^{-n} - T(y) \right)(t) = 1,$$
(2.17)

and by (2.1) we have

$$\nu \left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}3^n\right)3^{-n} - f(3^nx)3^{-n} - f(3^ny)3^{-n}\right)(t)
= \nu \left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}3^n\right) - f(3^nx) - f(3^ny)\right)(3^nt)
\ge \Pi_M \{\omega(\varphi(3^nx)), \omega(\varphi(3^ny))\}(3^nt)
= \Pi_M \{\omega(\varphi(x)), \omega(\varphi(y))\}\left(\frac{3^n}{\alpha^n}t\right),$$
(2.18)

which tends to 1 as $n \to \infty$. Therefore

$$\nu\left(2T\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - T(x) - T(y)\right)(t) = 1,$$
(2.19)

for each $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Thus *T* satisfies the Jensen equation and so it is additive.

Next, we approximate the difference between f and T in the Šerstnev MPN space (Y, v, Π_M) . For every $x \in X$ and t > 0, by (2.15), for large enough n, we have

$$\nu(T(x) - f(x))(t) \ge \prod_M \{\nu(T(x) - f(3^n x)3^{-n}), \nu(f(3^n x)3^{-n} - f(x))\}(t) \ge \psi_x(t).$$
(2.20)

The uniqueness assertion can be proved by standard fashion. Let $T' : X \rightarrow Y$ be another additive mapping, which satisfies the required inequality. Then for each $x \in X$ and t > 0,

$$\nu(T(x) - T'(x))(t) \ge \prod_{M} \{\nu(T(x) - f(x)), \nu(T'(x) - f(x))\}(t) \ge \psi_{x}(t).$$
(2.21)

Therefore by the additivity of T and T',

$$\nu(T(x) - T'(x))(t) = \nu(T(3^n x) - T'(3^n x))(3^n t) \ge \psi_x\left(\frac{3^n}{\alpha^n}t\right),$$
(2.22)

for all $x \in X$, t > 0, and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $0 < \alpha < 3$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{3^n}{\alpha^n} \right) = \infty.$$
(2.23)

Hence the right-hand side of the above inequality tends to 1 as $n \to \infty$. It follows that T(x) = T'(x) for all $x \in X$.

Remark 2.2. One can prove a similar result for the case that $|\alpha| > 3$. In this case, the additive mapping *T* is defined by $T(x) := \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^{-n}x)$.

Now we examine some conditions under which the additive mapping found in Theorem 2.1 is to be continuous. We use a known strategy of Hyers [5] (see also [44]).

Theorem 2.3. Let X be a linear space. Let (Y, v, Π_M) be a Šerstnev MPN space and let $f : X \to Y$ be a mapping with f(0) = 0. Suppose that $\delta > 0$ is a positive real number and z_0 is a fixed vector in a Šerstnev MPN space (Z, ω, Π_M) such that

$$\nu\left(2f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - f(x) - f(y)\right)(t) \ge \omega(\delta z_0)(t),\tag{2.24}$$

for all $x, y \in X - \{0\}$ and positive real number t. Then there is a unique additive mapping $T : X \to Y$ such that

$$\nu(T(x) - f(x))(t) \ge \omega(\delta z_0)(3t).$$
(2.25)

Moreover, if (X, v', Π_M) *is a Šerstnev MPN space and f is continuous at a point, then T is continuous on X.*

Proof. Using Theorem 2.1 with $\varphi(x) = \delta z_0$, we deduce the existence of the required additive mapping *T*. Let us put $\beta = 3/\delta$. Suppose that *f* is continuous at a point x_0 . If *T* were not continuous at a point, then there would be a sequence x_n in X such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu'(x_n)(t) = 1, \qquad \lim_{n \to \infty} \nu(T(x_n))(t) \neq 1.$$
(2.26)

By passing to a subsequence if necessary, we may assume that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu'(x_n)(t) = 1, \tag{2.27}$$

and there are $t_0 > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$\nu(T(x_n))(t_0) < 1 - \varepsilon \quad \forall n.$$
(2.28)

Since $\lim_{t\to\infty} \omega(z_0)(\beta t) = 1$, there is t_1 such that $\omega(z_0)(\beta t_1) \ge 1 - \varepsilon$. There is a positive integer k such that $t_1/k < t_0$. We have

$$\nu(T(kx_n + x_0) - T(x_0))(t_1) = \nu(T(x_n))\left(\frac{t_1}{k}\right) \le \nu(T(x_n))(t_0) < 1 - \varepsilon.$$
(2.29)

On the other hand

$$\nu(T(kx_n + x_0) - T(x_0))(t_1) \ge \Pi_M \{ \Pi_M \{ \nu(T(kx_n + x_0) - f(kx_n + x_0)) , \\ \nu(f(kx_n + x_0) - f(x_0)) \}, \nu(f(x_0) - T(x_0)) \}(t_1).$$
(2.30)

By (2.25) we have

$$\nu (T(kx_n + x_0) - f(kx_n + x_0))(t_1) \ge \omega(z_0)(\beta t_1),$$

$$\nu (f(x_0) - T(x_0))(t_1) \ge \omega(z_0)(\beta t_1),$$
(2.31)

and we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu (f(kx_n + x_0) - f(x_0))(t_1) = 1.$$
(2.32)

Therefore for sufficiently large *n*,

$$\nu(T(kx_n + x_0) - T(x_0))(t_1) \ge \omega(z_0)(\beta t_1) \ge 1 - \varepsilon,$$
(2.33)

which contradicts (2.29).

3. Completeness of Šerstnev MPN Spaces

This section contains two results concerning the completeness of a Šerstnev MPN space. Those are versions of a theorem of Schwaiger [45] stating that a normed space *E* is complete if, for each $f : \mathbb{N} \to E$ whose Cauchy difference f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y) is bounded for all $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists an additive mapping $T : \mathbb{N} \to E$ such that f(x) - T(x) is bounded for all $x \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 3.1. Let (X, ν, τ) be an MPN space and let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. A mapping $f_{\alpha} : \mathbb{N} \to X$ is said to be α -approximately Jensen-type if

$$\nu(2f_{\alpha}(x+y) - f_{\alpha}(2x) - f_{\alpha}(2y))(\beta) \ge \alpha,$$
(3.1)

for some $\beta > 0$ and all $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$.

In order to prove our next results, we need to put the following conditions on an MPN space.

Definition 3.2. An MPN space (X, v, τ) is called *definite* if

$$v(x)(t) > \quad \forall t > 0 \quad \text{implies that } x = 0$$
 (3.2)

holds. It is called *pseudodefinite* if for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ the following condition holds:

$$v(x)(t) > \alpha \quad \forall t > 0 \quad \text{implies that } x = 0.$$
 (3.3)

Clearly a definite MPN space is pseudodefinite.

Theorem 3.3. Let (X, ν, Π_M) be a pseudodefinite Šerstnev MPN space. Suppose that for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and each α -approximately Jensen-type $f_{\alpha} : \mathbb{N} \to X$ there exist numbers $\delta_{\alpha} > 0$, $n_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}$, and an additive mapping $T_{\alpha} : \mathbb{N} \to X$ such that

$$\nu(T_{\alpha}(n) - f_{\alpha}(n))(\delta_{\alpha}) > \alpha, \tag{3.4}$$

for all $n \ge n_{\alpha}$. Then (X, v, Π_M) is a Šerstnev MPB-space.

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in (X, ν, Π_M) . Temporarily fix $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. There is an increasing sequence n_k of positive integers such that $n_k \ge k$ and

$$\nu(x_n - x_m) \left(\frac{1}{2k}\right) \ge \alpha \quad \text{for } n, m \ge n_k.$$
(3.5)

Put $y_k = x_{n_k}$ and define $f_\alpha : \mathbb{N} \to X$ by $f_\alpha(k) = ky_k(k \in \mathbb{N})$. Then by (3.5) we have

$$\nu(2f_{\alpha}(j+k) - f_{\alpha}(2j) - f_{\alpha}(2k))(1)$$

= $\nu(2(j+k)y_{j+k} - 2jy_{2j} - 2ky_{2k})(1)$
 $\geq \Pi_{M}\{\nu(2j(y_{j+k} - y_{2j})), \nu(2k(y_{j+k} - y_{2k}))\}(1) \geq \alpha,$ (3.6)

for each $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus f_{α} is α -approximately Jensen-type. By our assumption, there exist numbers $\delta_{\alpha} > 0$, $n_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}$, and an additive mapping $T_{\alpha} : \mathbb{N} \to X$ such that

$$\nu (T_{\alpha}(n) - f_{\alpha}(n))(\delta_{\alpha}) > \alpha, \tag{3.7}$$

for all $n \ge n_{\alpha}$. Since T_{α} is additive, $T_{\alpha}(n) = nT_{\alpha}(1)$. Hence

$$\nu(T_{\alpha}(1) - y_n)\left(\frac{\delta_{\alpha}}{n}\right) > \alpha, \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.8)

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there is some $n_0 \ge n_\alpha$ such that

$$\nu(x_n - x_m)(\varepsilon) \ge \alpha, \tag{3.9}$$

for all $m, n \ge n_0$. Take some $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $k_0 \ge n_0$ and $\delta_{\alpha}/k_0 < \varepsilon/2$. It follows that $n_{k_0} \ge k_0 \ge n_0 \ge n_{\alpha}$. Let $\alpha \ne \beta$, then, for large enough n,

$$\nu(T_{\alpha}(1) - x_n)(\varepsilon) \ge \prod_M \left\{ \nu \left(x_n - x_{n_{k_0}} \right), \nu \left(y_{k_0} - T_{\alpha}(1) \right) \right\}(\varepsilon) \ge \min\{\alpha, \beta\},$$
(3.10)

for each $\varepsilon > 0$. By (3.3), $T_{\alpha}(1) = T_{\beta}(1)$. Put $x = T_{\alpha}(1)$. Then for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\nu(x - x_n)(\varepsilon) \ge \alpha, \tag{3.11}$$

for sufficiently large *n*. This means that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu(x_n - x)(t) = 1.$$
(3.12)

Definition 3.4. Let (X, ν, Π_M) be a Šerstnev MPN space and let $f : \mathbb{N} \to X$ be a mapping. Assume that, for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, there are numbers $n_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\nu(2f(n+m) - f(2n) - f(2m))(\delta) \ge \alpha, \tag{3.13}$$

for each $n, m \ge n_{\alpha}$. Then *f* is said to be an approximately Jensen-type mapping.

Theorem 3.5. Let (X, ν, Π_M) be a Šerstnev MPN space such that for every approximately Jensentype mapping $f : \mathbb{N} \to X$ there is an additive mapping $T : \mathbb{N} \to X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu \big(T(n) - f(n) \big)(t) = 1 \tag{3.14}$$

for each t > 0. Then (X, v, Π_M) is a Šerstnev MPB-space.

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in (X, ν, Π_M) . Take a sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ in interval (0, 1) such that $\{\alpha_n\}$ increasingly tends to 1. For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ one can find some $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\nu(x_m - x_n)(1/2k) \ge \alpha_k \tag{3.15}$$

for each $n, m \ge n_k$. Let $y_k = x_{n_k}$ for each $k \ge 1$. Define $f : \mathbb{N} \to X$ by $f(k) := ky_k$, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. If $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, take some $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\alpha_{m_0} > \alpha$ and let $n_\alpha = m_0$. Then for each $n \ge m \ge n_\alpha$, we have

$$\nu(2f(n+m) - f(2n) - f(2m))(1) = \nu(2(n+m)y_{n+m} - 2ny_{2n} - 2my_{2m})(1) \geq \Pi_M \{\nu(2n(y_{n+m} - y_{2n})), \nu(2m(y_{n+m} - y_{2m}))\}(1) \geq \min \{\nu(y_{n+m} - y_{2n})(\frac{1}{2n}), \nu(y_{n+m} - y_{2m})(\frac{1}{2m})\} \geq \min \{\alpha_n, \alpha_m\} \geq \alpha.$$
(3.16)

Therefore *f* is an approximately Jensen-type mapping. By our assumption, there is an additive mapping $T : \mathbb{N} \to X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu (T(n) - f(n))(t) = 1.$$
(3.17)

This means that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \nu (T(1) - y_n) \left(\frac{t}{n}\right) = 1.$$
(3.18)

Hence the subsequence $\{y_n\}$ of the Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x = T(1). Hence $\{x_n\}$ also converges to x.

4. Conclusions

In this work, we have analyzed a generalized Ulam-Hyers theorem in Serstnev PN spaces endowed with Π_M . We have proved that if an approximate Jensen mapping in a Šerstnev PN space is continuous at a point then we can approximate it by an anywhere continuous Jensen mapping. Also, as a version of Schwaiger, we have showed that if every approximate Jensen-type mapping from natural numbers into a Šerstnev PN-space can be approximate by an additive mapping then the norm of Šerstnev PN-space is complete.

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