# A fixed point approach to the stability of a general quartic functional equation 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we study the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of the quartic functional equation $$
f(x+3 y)-5 f(x+2 y)+10 f(x+y)-10 f(x)+5 f(x-y)-f(x-2 y)=0
$$


by applying the fixed point method.
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## 1. Introduction

The stability problem of the functional equations stems from Ulam's well known question about the stability of group homomorphisms (see [16]):

Let $\mathrm{G}_{1}$ be a group and let $\mathrm{G}_{2}$ be a metric group with the metric $\mathrm{d}(\cdot, \cdot)$. Given $\varepsilon>0$, does there exist an $\delta>0$ such that if a function $\mathrm{h}: \mathrm{G}_{1} \rightarrow \mathrm{G}_{2}$ satisfies the inequality $\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{h}(\mathrm{xy}), \mathrm{h}(\mathrm{x}) \mathrm{h}(\mathrm{y}))<\delta$ for all $x, y \in \mathrm{G}_{1}$, then there exists a homomorphism $\mathrm{H}: \mathrm{G}_{1} \rightarrow \mathrm{G}_{2}$ with $\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{h}(\mathrm{x}), \mathrm{H}(\mathrm{x}))<\varepsilon$ for all $\mathrm{x} \in \mathrm{G}_{1}$ ?

In 1941, Hyers [9] affirmatively answered the Ulam's question for the additive functional equation under the assumption that $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are Banach spaces. Indeed, Hyers proved that each solution of inequality $\|f(x+y)-f(x)-f(y)\| \leqslant \varepsilon$, can be approximated by an exact solution (an additive function). In this case, we say that the Cauchy additive functional equation, $f(x+y)=f(x)+f(y)$, satisfies the Hyers-Ulam stability or it is stable in the sense of Hyers and Ulam.

Since then, the stability of various functional equations has been extensively studied by a number of mathematicians (e.g., see [1-3, 8, 10-12, 15] and the references therein).

[^0]Every solution of the Cauchy additive functional equation

$$
f(x+y)-f(x)-f(y)=0,
$$

is called an additive mapping, and each solution of the quadratic functional equation

$$
f(x+y)+f(x-y)-2 f(x)-2 f(y)=0
$$

is called a quadratic mapping.
In this paper, we will deal with a special type of quartic functional equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{Df}(x, y)=0 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where we define

$$
\operatorname{Df}(x, y):=f(x+3 y)-5 f(x+2 y)+10 f(x+y)-10 f(x)+5 f(x-y)-f(x-2 y)
$$

for all $(x, y)$ in the domain of $f$. It is not difficult to verify that the mapping $f(x)=a x^{4}+b x^{3}+c x^{2}+d x+e$ is a solution to this equation when $a, b, c, d, e$ are real constants. We remind that a mapping $f$ is called a quartic mapping provided that there exist real numbers $a, b, c, d, e$ so that $f(x)=a x^{4}+b x^{3}+c x^{2}+d x+e$. For the case of $a=1$ and $b=-1$, Lee [14] proved the stability of (1.1) for restricted domains in Banach spaces.

In this paper, we will prove that every solution of functional equation (1.1) with $f(0)=0$ is a quartic mapping and we will introduce a strictly contractive mapping which allows us to use the fixed point theory in the sense of Cădariu and Radu [4-6]. And then we will adopt the fixed point method for proving the stability of the functional equation (1.1). The key point is that starting from the mapping f satisfying (1.1) approximately, we construct the exact solution $F$ of (1.1) explicitly by using either the formula

$$
F(x)=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} f_{o}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)+\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} f_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)\right),
$$

or

$$
F(x)=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(30^{i}(-81)^{n-i} f_{o}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)+90^{i}(-729)^{n-i} f_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)\right) .
$$

In the last step we will approximate $f$ with $F$.

## 2. Main results

We will use Margolis and Diaz's theorem in fixed point theory. Recently, this theorem has been widely used to prove the stability of various functional equations.

Theorem 2.1 ([7]). Assume that ( $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{d}$ ) is a complete generalized metric space which means that the metric d may assume infinite values. Moreover, assume that $\mathrm{J}: \mathrm{S} \rightarrow \mathrm{S}$ is a strictly contractive mapping with the Lipschitz constant $0<\mathrm{L}<1$. Then, for each given element $x \in S$, either

$$
\mathrm{d}\left(\mathrm{~J}^{\mathrm{n}} x, \mathrm{~J}^{\mathrm{n}+1} \mathrm{x}\right)=\infty, \quad \forall \mathrm{n} \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\},
$$

or there exists a $\mathrm{k} \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}$ such that
(1) $d\left(J^{n} x, J^{n+1} x\right)<\infty$, for all $n \geqslant k$;
(2) the sequence $\left\{\mathrm{J}^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{x}\right\}$ is convergent to a fixed point $\mathrm{y}^{*}$ of J ;
(3) $\mathrm{y}^{*}$ is the unique fixed point of J in $\mathrm{T}:=\left\{\mathrm{y} \in \mathrm{S} \mid \mathrm{d}\left(\mathrm{J}^{\mathrm{k}} \mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}\right)<\infty\right\}$;
(4) $\mathrm{d}\left(\mathrm{y}, \mathrm{y}^{*}\right) \leqslant \frac{1}{1-\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{d}(\mathrm{y}, \mathrm{Jy})$, for all $\mathrm{y} \in \mathrm{T}$.

Throughout this paper, let $V$ and $W$ be real vector spaces and let $Y$ be a real Banach space. For a given mapping $f: V \rightarrow W$, we use the following abbreviations

$$
f_{e}(x):=\frac{1}{2}(f(x)+f(-x)) \quad \text { and } \quad f_{o}(x):=\frac{1}{2}(f(x)-f(-x)) \text {, }
$$

for all $x \in V$.
In the following theorem, we prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of the functional equation (1.1) by using the fixed point method (Theorem 2.1).

Theorem 2.2. Assume that a mapping $\varphi: \mathrm{V} \times \mathrm{V} \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ satisfies the condition

$$
\begin{equation*}
\varphi(3 x, 3 y) \leqslant(\sqrt{306}-15) \mathrm{L} \varphi(x, y) \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y} \in \mathrm{V}$ and for some constant $0<\mathrm{L}<1$ and let

$$
\Phi(x)=\frac{1}{729}\left(10 \varphi_{e}(0,3 x)+42 \varphi_{e}(0,2 x)+480 \varphi_{e}(0, x)+180 \varphi_{e}(x, x)\right),
$$

where

$$
\varphi_{e}(x, y)=\frac{1}{2}(\varphi(x, y)+\varphi(-x,-y)) .
$$

If a mapping $\mathrm{f}: \mathrm{V} \rightarrow \mathrm{Y}$ with $\mathrm{f}(0)=0$ satisfies the inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|D f(x, y)\| \leqslant \varphi(x, y) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $x, y \in V$, then there exists a unique solution $\mathrm{F}: \mathrm{V} \rightarrow \mathrm{Y}$ of (1.1) such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|f(x)-F(x)\| \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L} \Phi(x) \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $\mathrm{x} \in \mathrm{V}$. In particular, F is represented by

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(x)=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(\frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} f_{o}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)+\frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} f_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)\right) \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $\mathrm{x} \in \mathrm{V}$.
Proof. Let $S$ be the set of all functions $\mathrm{g}: \mathrm{V} \rightarrow \mathrm{Y}$ with $\mathrm{g}(0)=0$. We introduce the generalized metric d in $S$ defined by

$$
d(g, h)=\inf \{K \geqslant 0 \mid\|g(x)-h(x)\| \leqslant K \Phi(x), \text { for all } x \in V\} .
$$

It is easy to verify that ( $S, d$ ) is a complete generalized metric space (see [6, Theorem 2.5] or the proof of [13, Theorem 3.1]).

Now we consider the mapping J:S $\rightarrow$, which is defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
J g(x)=\frac{180}{729} g(3 x)-\frac{90}{729} g(-3 x)-\frac{5}{729} g(9 x)+\frac{4}{729} g(-9 x), \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $x \in V$. Applying mathematical induction, we can prove the equality

$$
\begin{equation*}
J^{n} g(x)=\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(\frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)+\frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x\right)\right) \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}$ and $x \in V$.

Indeed it follows from (2.6) that

$$
J^{0} g(x)=g(x)=g_{o}(x)+g_{e}(x)
$$

and using the oddness and the evenness of $g_{o}$ and $g_{e}$ of (2.6) we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
J^{n+1} g(x)= & J\left(J^{n} g(x)\right) \\
= & \frac{135}{729} J^{n} g(3 x)-\frac{135}{729} J^{n} g(-3 x)+\frac{45}{729} J^{n} g(3 x)+\frac{45}{729} J^{n} g(-3 x) \\
& -\frac{9}{1458} J^{n} g(9 x)+\frac{9}{1458} J^{n} g(-9 x)-\frac{1}{1458} J^{n} g(9 x)-\frac{1}{1458} J^{n} g(-9 x) \\
= & \frac{270}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+1-i} x\right) \\
& +\frac{90}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+1-i} x\right) \\
& -\frac{9}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& -\frac{1}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
= & \frac{270}{729} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1}{ }_{n} C_{i-1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 30^{i-1}}{81^{n}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& +\frac{90}{729} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1}{ }_{n} C_{i-1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 90^{i-1}}{729^{n}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& -\frac{9}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& -\frac{1}{729} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Furthermore, by using the well known formula ${ }_{n} C_{i-1}+{ }_{n} C_{i}={ }_{n+1} C_{i}$, we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
J^{n+1} g(x)= & \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} n C_{i-1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n+1}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& +\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} n_{i-1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n+1}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& -\sum_{i=0}^{n} n_{i} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n+1}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
& -\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n+1}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right) \\
= & \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} n_{n+1} C_{i}\left(\frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n+1}} g_{o}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right)+\frac{(-1)^{n+1-i} 90^{i}}{72^{n+1}} g_{e}\left(3^{2 n+2-i} x\right)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

which implies the validity of (2.6) for all $\mathfrak{n} \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}$.

Assume $g, h \in S$ and suppose $K \in[0, \infty]$ is an arbitrary constant satisfying $d(g, h) \leqslant K$. From the definitions of $d$ and $\Phi$ and by (2.1), we note that $\Phi(-x)=\Phi(x)$ and $\Phi(3 x) \leqslant(\sqrt{306}-15) L \Phi(x)$ for all $x \in \mathrm{~V}$. Hence, we further get

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\operatorname{Jg}(x)-\operatorname{Jh}(x)\| \leqslant & \frac{5}{729}\|g(9 x)-h(9 x)\|+\frac{4}{729}\|g(-9 x)-h(-9 x)\| \\
& +\frac{180}{729}\|g(3 x)-h(3 x)\|+\frac{90}{729}\|g(-3 x)-h(-3 x)\| \\
\leqslant & K\left(\frac{9}{729} \Phi(9 x)+\frac{270}{729} \Phi(3 x)\right) \\
\leqslant & K\left(\frac{\sqrt{306}-15}{81} L \Phi(3 x)+\frac{30}{81} \Phi(3 x)\right) \\
\leqslant & K \frac{(\sqrt{306}-15)^{2}+30(\sqrt{306}-15)}{81} L \Phi(x) \\
\leqslant & \operatorname{LK} \Phi(x),
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x \in V$, which implies that

$$
d(J g, J h) \leqslant \operatorname{Ld}(g, h)
$$

for any $\mathrm{g}, \mathrm{h} \in \mathrm{S}$. That is, J is a strictly contractive self-mapping of S with the Lipschitz constant L .
Moreover, it follows from (1.1) that

$$
\begin{align*}
D f_{e}(x, y)= & \frac{1}{2} f(x+3 y)+\frac{1}{2} f(-x-3 y)-\frac{5}{2} f(x+2 y)-\frac{5}{2} f(-x-2 y) \\
& +5 f(x+y)+5 f(-x-y)-5 f(x)-5 f(-x)  \tag{2.7}\\
& +\frac{5}{2} f(x-y)+\frac{5}{2} f(-x+y)-\frac{1}{2} f(x-2 y)-\frac{1}{2} f(-x+2 y),
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{align*}
D f_{o}(x, y)= & \frac{1}{2} f(x+3 y)-\frac{1}{2} f(-x-3 y)-\frac{5}{2} f(x+2 y)+\frac{5}{2} f(-x-2 y) \\
& +5 f(x+y)-5 f(-x-y)-5 f(x)+5 f(-x)  \tag{2.8}\\
& +\frac{5}{2} f(x-y)-\frac{5}{2} f(-x+y)-\frac{1}{2} f(x-2 y)+\frac{1}{2} f(-x+2 y)
\end{align*}
$$

for all $x, y \in V$. On account of (2.5), and by a long and tedious calculation, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{1}{729}\left(D f_{e}(0,3 x)+6 D f_{e}(0,2 x)+75 D f_{e}(0, x)+36 D f_{e}(x, x)\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{81}\left(D f_{o}(0,3 x)+4 D f_{o}(0,2 x)+45 D f_{o}(0, x)+16 D f_{o}(x, x)\right)  \tag{2.9}\\
& \quad=f(x)-J f(x)
\end{align*}
$$

Hence, by (2.2) and since $\left\|D f_{o}(x, y)\right\| \leqslant \varphi_{e}(x, y)$ and $\left\|D f_{e}(x, y)\right\| \leqslant \varphi_{e}(x, y)$, we see that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|f(x)-J f(x)\|= & \frac{1}{729}\left\|D f_{e}(0,3 x)+6 D f_{e}(0,2 x)+75 D f_{e}(0, x)+36 D f_{e}(x, x)\right\| \\
& +\frac{1}{81}\left\|D f_{o}(0,3 x)+4 D f_{o}(0,2 x)+45 D f_{o}(0, x)+16 D f_{o}(x, x)\right\| \\
\leqslant & \frac{10 \varphi_{e}(0,3 x)+42 \varphi_{e}(0,2 x)+480 \varphi_{e}(0, x)+180 \varphi_{e}(x, x)}{729} \\
= & \Phi(x),
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x \in V$. It implies that $d(f, J f) \leqslant 1<\infty$ from the definition of $d$.
Therefore, according to Theorem 2.1, the sequence $\left\{J^{n} f\right\}$ converges to the unique fixed point $F: V \rightarrow Y$ of $J$ in the set $T=\{g \in S \mid d(f, g)<\infty\}$, which is represented by (2.4) for all $x \in V$. Further, it follows from Theorem 2.1 (4) that

$$
d(f, F) \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, f f) \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L^{\prime}}
$$

and this inequality implies the validity of (2.3). By the definition of F , together with (2.1), (2.2), and (2.6), we have

$$
\begin{align*}
&\|D F(x, y)\|= \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\|D J^{n} f(x, y)\right\| \\
&= \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \| \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 30^{i}}{81^{n}} D_{p}\left(3^{2 n-i} x, 3^{2 n-i} y\right) \\
&+\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{(-1)^{n-i} 90^{i}}{729^{n}} D f_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x, 3^{2 n-i} y\right) \| \\
& \leqslant \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(\frac{30^{i}}{81^{n}}+\frac{90^{i}}{729^{n}}\right) \varphi_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x, 3^{2 n-i} y\right) \\
& \leqslant 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{30^{i}}{81^{n}} \varphi_{e}\left(3^{2 n-i} x, 3^{2 n-i} y\right)  \tag{2.10}\\
& \leqslant 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} \frac{30^{i}(\sqrt{306}-15)^{n-i} L^{n-i}}{81^{n}} \varphi_{e}\left(3^{n} x, 3^{n} y\right) \\
&= 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(30+(\sqrt{306}-15) L)^{n}}{81^{n}} \varphi_{e}\left(3^{n} x, 3^{n} y\right) \\
& \leqslant \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(30+(\sqrt{306}-15))^{n}}{81^{n}} \varphi_{e}\left(3^{n} x, 3^{n} y\right) \\
& \leqslant 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\sqrt{306}+15)^{n}(\sqrt{306}-15)^{n} L^{n}}{81^{n}} \varphi_{e}(x, y) \\
& \leqslant \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 L^{n} \varphi_{e}(x, y) \\
&= 0,
\end{align*}
$$

for all $x, y \in V$, i.e., $F$ is a solution of the functional equation (1.1).
Finally, in view of (2.9) and (2.10), if $F$ is a solution of the functional equation (1.1), then the equality

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{F}(x)-\mathrm{JF}(x)= & \frac{1}{729}\left(\mathrm{DF}_{e}(0,3 x)+6 \mathrm{DF}_{e}(0,2 x)+75 \mathrm{DF}_{e}(0, x)+36 \mathrm{DF}_{e}(x, x)\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{81}\left(\mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}(0,3 x)+4 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}(0,2 x)+45 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}(0, x)+16 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}(x, x)\right) \\
= & 0,
\end{aligned}
$$

implies that F is a fixed point of J .
Roughly speaking, the previous theorem dealt with the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of the quartic functional equation (1.1) for the case of $\varphi(3 x, 3 y)<3 \varphi(x, y)$.

In the following theorem, we now deal with one of cases for $\varphi(3 x, 3 y)>3 \varphi(x, y)$.
Theorem 2.3. For a given mapping $\mathrm{f}: \mathrm{V} \rightarrow \mathrm{Y}$ with $\mathrm{f}(0)=0$, suppose there exists a mapping $\varphi: \mathrm{V}^{2} \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ such that inequality (2.2) holds for all $x, y \in V$. If there exists a constant $0<\mathrm{L}<1$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{L} \varphi(3 x, 3 y) \geqslant \frac{10}{\sqrt{261}-16} \varphi(x, y) \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $x, y \in \mathrm{~V}$, then there exists a unique solution $\mathrm{F}: \mathrm{V} \rightarrow \mathrm{Y}$ of (1.1), for which the inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|f(x)-F(x)\| \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L} \Psi(x), \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in \mathrm{~V}$, where

$$
\Psi(x)=2 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+10 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+120 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+52 \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right) .
$$

In particular, F is represented by

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(x)=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(30^{n-i}(-81)^{i} f_{o}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)+90^{n-i}(-729)^{i} f_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)\right) \tag{2.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $x \in \mathrm{~V}$.
Proof. Let $S$ be the set given in the proof of Theorem 2.2. Similarly as in the proof of Theorem 2.2, we define a generalized metric $d$ in $S$ by

$$
d(g, h)=\inf \{K \geqslant 0 \mid\|g(x)-h(x)\| \leqslant K \Psi(x), \text { for all } x \in V\}
$$

It is not difficult to verify that ( $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{d}$ ) is a complete generalized metric space (or see the proof of $[13$, Theorem 3.1]).

Now we consider the mapping J:S $\rightarrow$ S defined by

$$
\mathrm{Jg}(x)=60 \mathrm{~g}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)+30 \mathrm{~g}\left(\frac{-x}{3}\right)-405 \mathrm{~g}\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)-324 \mathrm{~g}\left(\frac{-x}{9}\right)
$$

for all $x \in V$.
As we did in (2.6), applying mathematical induction, we can prove the following equality

$$
J^{n} g(x)=\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(30^{i}(-81)^{n-i} g_{o}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)+90^{i}(-729)^{n-i} g_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}\right)\right),
$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}$ and $x \in V$.
Assume $g, h \in S$ and suppose $K \in[0, \infty]$ is an arbitrary constant satisfying $d(g, h) \leqslant K$. From the definition of $d$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\operatorname{Jg}(x)-\operatorname{Jh}(x)\| & \leqslant 60\left\|g\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)-h\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)\right\|+30\left\|g\left(\frac{-x}{3}\right)-h\left(\frac{-x}{3}\right)\right\| \\
& +405\left\|g\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)-h\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)\right\|+324\left\|g\left(\frac{-x}{9}\right)-h\left(\frac{-x}{9}\right)\right\| \\
& \leqslant 729 K \Psi\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)+90 K \Psi\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \\
& \leqslant L^{2} \frac{(\sqrt{2753}-45)^{2}}{729} K \Psi(x)+90 \frac{\sqrt{2753}-45}{729} \operatorname{LK\Psi }(x) \\
& \leqslant \operatorname{LK\Psi (x),}
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x \in V$, which implies that

$$
d(J g, J h) \leqslant \operatorname{Ld}(g, h),
$$

for any $\mathrm{g}, \mathrm{h} \in \mathrm{S}$. That is, J is a strictly contractive self-mapping of S with the Lipschitz constant L .

Moreover, as we did in the proof of Theorem 2.2, it follows from (1.1), (2.2), (2.7), and (2.8) that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|f(x)-J f(x)\| & \| \operatorname{Df}_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+6 D f_{e}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+75 D f_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+36 D f_{e}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right) \\
& +\operatorname{Df}_{o}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+4 D f_{o}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+45 D f_{o}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+16 D f_{o}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right) \| \\
\leqslant & 2 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+10 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+120 \varphi_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+52 \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right) \\
= & \Psi(x)
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x \in V$. It means that $d(f, J f) \leqslant 1<\infty$ from the definition of $d$.
Therefore, according to Theorem 2.1, the sequence $\left\{J^{n} f\right\}$ converges to the unique fixed point $F: V \rightarrow Y$ of $J$ in the set $T=\{g \in S \mid d(f, g)<\infty\}$, which is represented by (2.13) for all $x \in V$. Notice that

$$
d(f, F) \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, J f) \leqslant \frac{1}{1-L^{\prime}}
$$

and this inequality implies (2.12). By the definition of $F$, together with (2.2) and (2.11), we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|D F(x, y)\|= & \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\|D J^{n} f(x, y)\right\| \\
= & \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \| \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} 30^{i}(-81)^{n-i} f_{o}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}, \frac{y}{3^{2 n-i}}\right) \\
& +\sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} 90^{i}(-729)^{n-i} f_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}, \frac{y}{3^{2 n-i}}\right) \| \\
\leqslant & \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i}\left(30^{i} 81^{n-i}+90^{n-i} 729^{i}\right) \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}, \frac{y}{3^{2 n-i}}\right) \\
\leqslant & 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} 90^{i} 729^{n-i} \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{2 n-i}}, \frac{y}{3^{2 n-i}}\right) \\
\leqslant & 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n}{ }_{n} C_{i} 90^{i}(\sqrt{2753}-45)^{n-i} L^{n-i} \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{n}}, \frac{y}{3^{n}}\right) \\
\leqslant & 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}(90+(\sqrt{2753}-45) L)^{n} \varphi_{e}\left(\frac{x}{3^{n}}, \frac{y}{3^{n}}\right) \\
\leqslant & 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\sqrt{2753}+45)^{n}(\sqrt{2753}-45)^{n}}{729^{n}} L^{n} \varphi_{e}(x, y) \\
= & 2 \lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} L^{n} \varphi_{e}(x, y) \\
= & 0,
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x, y \in V$, i.e., $F$ is a solution of functional equation (1.1).
Finally, we notice that if $F$ is a solution of functional equation (1.1), then it follows from the equality

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{F}(\mathrm{x})-\mathrm{JF}(\mathrm{x})= & \mathrm{DF}_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+6 \mathrm{DF}_{e}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+75 \mathrm{DF}_{e}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+36 \mathrm{DF}_{e}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right) \\
& +\mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}\left(0, \frac{x}{3}\right)+4 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}\left(0, \frac{2 x}{9}\right)+45 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}\left(0, \frac{x}{9}\right)+16 \mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{o}}\left(\frac{x}{9}, \frac{x}{9}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

that $F$ is a fixed point of $J$.

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