

## A NEW PERSPECTIVE TO THE MAZUR-ULAM PROBLEM IN 2-FUZZY 2-NORMED LINEAR SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we introduce the concepts of 2-isometry, collinearity, 2-Lipschitz mapping in 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear spaces. Also, we give a new generalization of the Mazur-Ulam theorem when  $X$  is a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space or  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed linear space, that is, the Mazur-Ulam theorem holds, when the 2-isometry mapped to a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space is affine.

### 1. Introduction

The theory of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [25]. A satisfactory theory of 2-norms and  $n$ -norms on a linear space has been introduced and developed by Gähler in [9, 10]. Different authors introduced various definitions of fuzzy norms on a linear space. For reference, one may see [8, 11, 13, 14, 21, 23]. Following Cheng and Mordeson [3], Bag and Samanta [1] introduced a concept of fuzzy norm on a linear space.

Recently, Somasundaram and Beaula [20] introduced a concept of 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space or fuzzy 2-normed linear space of the set of all fuzzy sets of a set. The authors gave the notion of  $\alpha$ -2-norm on a linear space corresponding to the 2-fuzzy 2-norm by using some ideas of [1] and also gave some fundamental properties of this space.

In 1932, Mazur and Ulam [15] proved the following theorem.

**Mazur-Ulam Theorem.** *Every isometry of a real normed linear space onto a real normed linear space is a linear mapping up to translation.*

Baker [2] showed an isometry from a real normed linear space into a strictly convex real normed linear space is affine. Also, Jian [12] investigated the generalizations of the Mazur-Ulam theorem in  $F^*$ -spaces. Rassias and Wagner [19] described all volume preserving mappings from a real finite dimensional vector space into itself and Väisälä [22] gave a short and simple proof of the Mazur-Ulam theorem. Chu [6] proved that the Mazur-Ulam theorem holds when  $X$  is a linear 2-normed space. Chu et al. [7] generalized the Mazur-Ulam theorem when  $X$  is a linear  $n$ -normed space, that is, the Mazur-Ulam theorem holds, when the  $n$ -isometry mapped to a linear  $n$ -normed space is affine. In addition, Moslehian and Sadeghi [16] investigated the Mazur-Ulam theorem in non-archimedean spaces. Chu et al. [7] also

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obtained extensions of Rassias and Šemrl's theorem [18]. Cho et al. [5] investigated the Mazur–Ulam theorem on probabilistic 2-normed spaces. The Mazur–Ulam theorem has been extensively studied by many authors (see [17, 19, 24]).

In the present paper, we introduce the concepts of 2-isometry, collinearity, 2-Lipschitz mapping in 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear spaces. Also, we give a new generalization of the Mazur–Ulam theorem when  $X$  is a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space or  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed linear space, that is, the Mazur–Ulam theorem holds, when the 2-isometry mapped to a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space is affine.

## 2. On 2-Fuzzy 2-Normed Linear Spaces

In this section at first we give a concept of linear 2-normed space and later a concept of 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space and its fundamental properties by using some ideas of [20]. For more details we refer the readers to [1, 4, 20].

**Definition 2.1.** [4] Let  $X$  be a real vector space of dimension greater than 1 and let  $\|\bullet, \bullet\|$  be a real valued function on  $X \times X$  satisfying the following four properties:

- (1)  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent,
- (2)  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$ ,
- (3)  $\|x, \alpha y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- (4)  $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\|$ ,

$\|\bullet, \bullet\|$  is called a 2-norm on  $X$  and the pair  $(X, \|\bullet, \bullet\|)$  is called a linear 2-normed space.

**Definition 2.2.** [1] Let  $X$  be a linear space over  $S$  (field of real or complex numbers). A fuzzy subset  $N$  of  $X \times \mathbb{R}$  ( $\mathbb{R}$ , the set of real numbers) is called a fuzzy norm on  $X$  if and only if :

- (N1) For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t \leq 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 0$ ,
- (N2) For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(x, t) = 1$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ,
- (N3) For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(\lambda x, t) = N(x, \frac{t}{|\lambda|})$ , if  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda \in S$ ,
- (N4) For all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x, y \in X$ ,  $N(x + y, s + t) \geq \min \{N(x, s), N(y, t)\}$ ,
- (N5)  $N(x, \cdot)$  is a non-decreasing function of  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, t) = 1$ .

Then  $(X, N)$  is called a fuzzy normed linear space or in short f-NLS.

**Theorem 2.3.** [1] Let  $(X, N)$  be a f-NLS. Assume the condition that

- (N6)  $N(x, t) > 0$  for all  $t > 0$  implies  $x = 0$ .

Define  $\|x\|_\alpha = \inf \{t : N(x, t) \geq \alpha\}$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $\{\|\bullet\|_\alpha : \alpha \in (0, 1)\}$  is an ascending family of norms on  $X$ . We call these norms as  $\alpha$ -norms on  $X$  corresponding to the fuzzy norm on  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $X$  be any non-empty set and  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  be the set of all fuzzy sets on  $X$ . For  $U, V \in \mathfrak{F}(X)$  and  $\lambda \in S$  the field of real numbers, define

$$U + V = \{(x + y, \nu \wedge \mu) : (x, \nu) \in U, (y, \mu) \in V\}$$

and  $\lambda U = \{(\lambda x, \nu) : (x, \nu) \in U\}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** A fuzzy linear space  $\widehat{X} = X \times (0, 1]$  over the number field  $S$  where the addition and scalar multiplication operation on  $\widehat{X}$  are defined by  $(x, \nu) + (y, \mu) = (x + y, \nu \wedge \mu)$ ,  $\lambda(x, \nu) = (\lambda x, \nu)$  is a fuzzy normed space if to every  $(x, \nu) \in \widehat{X}$  there is associated a non-negative real number,  $\|(x, \nu)\|$ , called the fuzzy norm of  $(x, \nu)$ , in such away that

- (i)  $\|(x, \nu)\| = 0$  iff  $x = 0$  the zero element of  $X$ ,  $\nu \in (0, 1]$ ,
- (ii)  $\|\lambda(x, \nu)\| = |\lambda| \|(x, \nu)\|$  for all  $(x, \nu) \in \widehat{X}$  and all  $\lambda \in S$ ,
- (iii)  $\|(x, \nu) + (y, \mu)\| \leq \|(x, \nu \wedge \mu)\| + \|(y, \nu \wedge \mu)\|$  for all  $(x, \nu), (y, \mu) \in \widehat{X}$ ,
- (iv)  $\|(x, \vee_t \nu_t)\| = \wedge_t \|(x, \nu_t)\|$  for all  $\nu_t \in (0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2.6.** [20] Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  be the set of all fuzzy sets in  $X$ . If  $f \in \mathfrak{F}(X)$  then  $f = \{(x, \mu) : x \in X \text{ and } \mu \in (0, 1]\}$ . Clearly  $f$  is a bounded function, since  $|f(x)| \leq 1$ . Let  $S$  be the space of real numbers, then  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  is a linear space over the field  $S$  where the addition and scalar multiplication are defined by

$$f + g = \{(x, \mu) + (y, \eta)\} = \{(x + y, \mu \wedge \eta) : (x, \mu) \in f \text{ and } (y, \eta) \in g\}$$

and

$$\lambda f = \{(\lambda x, \mu) : (x, \mu) \in f\}$$

where  $\lambda \in S$ .

The linear space  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  is said to be normed linear space if, for every  $f \in \mathfrak{F}(X)$ , there exists an associated non-negative real number  $\|f\|$  (called the norm of  $f$ ) that satisfies

- (i)  $\|f\| = 0$  if and only if  $f = 0$ . For

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\| &= 0 \\ \iff \{ \|(x, \mu)\| : (x, \mu) \in f \} &= 0 \\ \iff x = 0, \mu \in (0, 1] &\iff f = 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (ii)  $\|\lambda f\| = |\lambda| \|f\|$ ,  $\lambda \in S$ . For

$$\begin{aligned} \|\lambda f\| &= \{ \|\lambda(x, \mu)\| : (x, \mu) \in f, \lambda \in S \} \\ &= \{ |\lambda| \|(x, \mu)\| : (x, \mu) \in f \} = |\lambda| \|f\|. \end{aligned}$$

- (iii)  $\|f + g\| \leq \|f\| + \|g\|$  for every  $f, g \in \mathfrak{F}(X)$ . For

$$\begin{aligned} \|f + g\| &= \{ \|(x, \mu) + (y, \eta)\| : x, y \in X, \mu, \eta \in (0, 1] \} \\ &= \{ \|(x + y, (\mu \wedge \eta))\| : x, y \in X, \mu, \eta \in (0, 1] \} \\ &= \{ \|(x, \mu \wedge \eta)\| + \|(y, \mu \wedge \eta)\| : (x, \mu) \in f, (y, \eta) \in g \} \\ &= \|f\| + \|g\|. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(\mathfrak{F}(X), \|\bullet\|)$  is a normed linear space.

**Definition 2.7.** [20] A 2-fuzzy set on  $X$  is a fuzzy set on  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$ .

**Definition 2.8.** [20] Let  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$  be a linear space over the real field  $S$ . A fuzzy subset  $N$  of  $\mathfrak{F}(X) \times \mathfrak{F}(X) \times \mathbb{R}$  ( $\mathbb{R}$ , set of real numbers) is called a 2-fuzzy 2-norm on  $X$  (or fuzzy 2-norm on  $\mathfrak{F}(X)$ ) if and only if,

- (2-N1) for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t \leq 0$ ,  $N(f_1, f_2, t) = 0$ ,  
 (2-N2) for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(f_1, f_2, t) = 1$  if and only if  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are linearly dependent,  
 (2-N3)  $N(f_1, f_2, t)$  is invariant under any permutation of  $f_1, f_2$ ,  
 (2-N4) for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $t > 0$ ,  $N(f_1, \lambda f_2, t) = N(f_1, f_2, \frac{t}{|\lambda|})$ , if  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda \in S$ ,  
 (2-N5) for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$N(f_1, f_2 + f_3, s + t) \geq \min\{N(f_1, f_2, s), N(f_1, f_3, t)\},$$

- (2-N6)  $N(f_1, f_2, \cdot) : (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous,  
 (2-N7)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(f_1, f_2, t) = 1$ .

Then  $(\mathfrak{S}(X), N)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed linear space or  $(X, N)$  is a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space.

**Remark 2.9.** In a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space  $(X, N)$ ,  $N(f_1, f_2, \cdot)$  is a non-decreasing function of  $\mathbb{R}$  for all  $f_1, f_2 \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** [20] *Let  $(\mathfrak{S}(X), N)$  be a fuzzy 2-normed linear space. Assume that*

- (2-N8)  $N(f_1, f_2, t) > 0$  for all  $t > 0$  implies that  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are linearly dependent.

Define  $\|f_1, f_2\|_\alpha = \inf\{t : N(f_1, f_2, t) \geq \alpha, \alpha \in (0, 1)\}$ .

Then  $\{\|\bullet, \bullet\|_\alpha : \alpha \in (0, 1)\}$  is an ascending family of 2-norms on  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ . These 2-norms are called  $\alpha$ -2-norms on  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  corresponding to the 2-fuzzy 2-norm on  $X$ .

### 3. On the Mazur-Ulam Problem

In this section, we give a new generalization of the Mazur-Ulam theorem when  $X$  is a 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space or  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed linear space. Hereafter we use the notion of fuzzy 2-normed linear space on  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  instead of 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space on  $X$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *For all  $f, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then*

$$\|f, h\|_\alpha = \|f, h + \lambda f\|_\alpha.$$

*Proof.* The proof of Lemma is clear from [4, Theorem 2.1.6]. □

As an immediate consequence of Lemma 3.1, we have the following.

**Remark 3.2.** For all  $f, g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\|f - h, f - g\|_\alpha = \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha.$$

**Lemma 3.3.** *For  $g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ , if  $g$  and  $h$  are linearly dependent with the same direction, that is,  $h = \lambda g$  for some  $\lambda > 0$ , then*

$$\|f, g + h\|_\alpha = \|f, g\|_\alpha + \|f, h\|_\alpha$$

for all  $f \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

*Proof.* For all  $f \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ ,  $\|f, g + h\|_\alpha = \|f, g + \lambda g\|_\alpha = \|f, (1 + \lambda)g\|_\alpha = (1 + \lambda)\|f, g\|_\alpha = \|f, g\|_\alpha + \lambda\|f, g\|_\alpha = \|f, g\|_\alpha + \|f, h\|_\alpha$ . □

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  and  $\mathfrak{S}(Y)$  be fuzzy 2-normed linear spaces and  $\Psi : \mathfrak{S}(X) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(Y)$  a mapping. We call  $\Psi$  a 2-isometry if

$$\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha = \|\Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h)\|_\beta$$

for all  $f, g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ .

For a map  $\Psi$ , consider the following condition which is called the Area One Preserving Property (AOPP).

$$(AOPP) \text{ Let } f, g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X) \text{ with } \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha = 1.$$

Then  $\|\Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h)\|_\beta = 1$ .

**Definition 3.5.** The elements  $f, g$  and  $h$  are said to be collinear if and only if  $g - h = r(f - h)$  for some real number  $r$ .

Now we define the concept of 2-Lipschitz mapping.

**Definition 3.6.** We call  $\Psi$  a 2-Lipschitz mapping if there is a  $\kappa \geq 0$  such that

$$\|\Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h)\|_\beta \leq \kappa \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha$$

for all  $f, g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ . The constant  $\kappa$  is called the 2-Lipschitz constant.

**Lemma 3.7.** Assume that if  $f, g$  and  $h$  are collinear, then  $\Psi(f), \Psi(g)$  and  $\Psi(h)$  are collinear, and that  $\Psi$  satisfies (AOPP). Then  $\Psi$  preserves the area  $k$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that there exist  $f, g \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  with  $f \neq g$  such that  $\Psi(f) = \Psi(g)$ . Since  $\dim \mathfrak{S}(X) \geq 2$ , there is  $h' \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  such that  $g - f$  and  $h' - f$  are linearly independent. Since  $\|h' - f, g - f\|_\alpha \neq 0$ , we can set

$$h = f + \frac{1}{\|h' - f, g - f\|_\alpha} (h' - f).$$

Then we have

$$\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = \left\| \frac{1}{\|h' - f, g - f\|_\alpha} (h' - f), g - f \right\|_\alpha = 1.$$

Since  $\Psi$  preserves the unit distance,  $\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta = 1$ . But it follows from  $\Psi(f) = \Psi(g)$  that

$$\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta = 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus  $\Psi$  is injective.

Let  $f, g$  and  $h$  be elements of  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = k$ . We put

$$f_i = f + \frac{i}{k}(g - f), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, k.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \|h - f, f_{i+1} - f_i\|_\alpha \\ &= \left\| h - f, f + \frac{i+1}{k}(g - f) - \left( f + \frac{i}{k}(g - f) \right) \right\|_\alpha \\ &= \left\| h - f, \frac{1}{k}(g - f) \right\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{k} \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = \frac{k}{k} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k$ . Since  $\Psi$  satisfies (AOPP),

$$\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(f_{i+1}) - \Psi(f_i)\|_\beta = 1$$

for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k$ . Since  $f_0, f_1$  and  $f_2$ , are collinear,  $\Psi(f_0), \Psi(f_1)$  and  $\Psi(f_2)$  are also collinear. Thus there is a real number  $r_0$  such that  $\Psi(f_2) - \Psi(f_1) = r_0(\Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0))$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)\|_\beta = \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(f_2) - \Psi(f_1)\|_\beta \\ &= \|(\Psi(h) - \Psi(f)), r_0(\Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0))\|_\beta = |r_0| \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)\|_\beta, \end{aligned}$$

we have  $r_0 = 1$  or  $-1$ . If  $r_0 = -1$ ,  $\Psi(f_2) - \Psi(f_1) = -\Psi(f_1) + \Psi(f_0)$ , that is,  $\Psi(f_2) = \Psi(f_0)$ . Since  $\Psi$  is injective,  $f_2 = f_0$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $r_0 = 1$ . Then we have  $\Psi(f_2) - \Psi(f_1) = \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)$ . Similarly, one can obtain that  $\Psi(f_{i+1}) - \Psi(f_i) = \Psi(f_i) - \Psi(f_{i-1})$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$ . Thus  $\Psi(f_{i+1}) - \Psi(f_i) = \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(g) - \Psi(f) &= \Psi(f_k) - \Psi(f_0) \\ &= \Psi(f_k) - \Psi(f_{k-1}) + \Psi(f_{k-1}) - \Psi(f_0) + \dots + \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0) \\ &= k(\Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta = \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), k(\Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0))\|_\beta \\ &= k \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)\|_\beta = k. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $\Psi$  be a 2-Lipschitz mapping with the 2-Lipschitz constant  $\kappa \leq 1$ . Assume that if  $f, g$  and  $h$  are collinear, then  $\Psi(f), \Psi(g)$  and  $\Psi(h)$  are collinear, and that  $\Psi$  satisfies (AOPP). Then  $\Psi$  is a 2-isometry.*

*Proof.* From Lemma 3.7,  $\Psi$  preserves distances  $k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $f, g, h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ , there are two cases depending on whether  $\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = 0$  or not.

In the first case  $\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = 0$ ,  $h - f$  and  $g - f$  are linearly dependent. So  $f, g$  and  $h$  are collinear. Thus  $\Psi(f), \Psi(g)$  and  $\Psi(h)$  are collinear, that is,  $\Psi(h) - \Psi(f)$  and  $\Psi(g) - \Psi(f)$  are linearly dependent. Hence  $\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta = 0$ .

In the case  $\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha > 0$ , there exists an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n_0 > \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha$ . Assume that

$$\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta < \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha.$$

We can set

$$w = f + \frac{n_0}{\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha} (g - f).$$

Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|h - f, w - f\|_\alpha &= \left\| h - f, f + \frac{n_0}{\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha} (g - f) - f \right\|_\alpha \\ &= \frac{n_0}{\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha} \|h - f, g - h\|_\alpha = n_0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(w) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta = n_0.$$

By the definition of  $w$ ,

$$w - g = \left( \frac{n_0}{\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha} - 1 \right) (g - f).$$

Since

$$\frac{n_0}{\|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha} > 1,$$

$h - f_1$  and  $f_1 - f_0$  have the same direction. From Lemma 3.3,

$$\|h - f, w - f\|_\alpha = \|h - f, w - g\|_\alpha + \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha.$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(w) - \Psi(g)\|_\beta \\ &\leq \|h - f, w - g\|_\alpha \\ &= n_0 - \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption,

$$\begin{aligned} n_0 &= \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(w) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta \\ &\leq \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(w) - \Psi(g)\|_\beta + \|\Psi(h) - \Psi(f), \Psi(g) - \Psi(f)\|_\beta \\ &< n_0 - \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha + \|h - f, g - f\|_\alpha = n_0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $\Psi$  is a 2-isometry. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.9.** *Let  $f, g$  be elements of  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ . Then  $v = \frac{f+g}{2}$  is the unique element of  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  satisfying*

$$\|f - h, f - v\|_\alpha = \|g - v, g - h\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha$$

for some  $h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  with  $\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0$  and  $v, f, g$  are collinear.

*Proof.* Let  $\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0$  and  $v = \frac{f+g}{2}$ . Then  $v, f, g$  are 2-collinear. From Lemma 3.1,  $v$  satisfies

$$\|f - h, f - v\|_\alpha = \|g - v, g - h\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha$$

for all  $h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  with  $\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0$ .

Now we prove the uniqueness.

Let  $u$  be an element of  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  satisfying the above properties. That is,

$$\|f - h, f - u\|_\alpha = \|g - u, g - h\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha$$

for some  $h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  with  $\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0$  and  $u, f, g$  are collinear. Since  $u, f, g$  are collinear, there exists a real number  $t$  such that  $u = tf + (1 - t)g$ . From Lemma 3.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha = \|f - h, f - u\|_\alpha \\ &= \|f - h, f - (tf + (1 - t)g)\|_\alpha \\ &= |1 - t| \|f - h, f - g\|_\alpha \\ &= |1 - t| \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha = \|g - u, g - h\|_\alpha \\ &= \|g - (tf + (1 - t)g), g - h\|_\alpha \\ &= \|-tf + tg, g - h\|_\alpha \\ &= |t| \|f - g, g - h\|_\alpha \\ &= |t| \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0$ , thus we have  $\frac{1}{2} = |1 - t| = |t|$ . Therefore, we get  $t = \frac{1}{2}$  and hence  $v = u$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Assume that  $\Psi(f)$ ,  $\Psi(g)$  and  $\Psi(h)$  are collinear when  $f, g$  and  $h$  are collinear. If  $\Psi$  is a 2-isometry, then  $\Psi$  is affine.*

*Proof.* Let  $\Psi$  be a 2-isometry and  $\Phi(f) = \Psi(f) - \Psi(0)$ . Then  $\Phi$  is a 2-isometry and  $\Phi(0) = 0$ . Thus we may assume that  $\Psi(0) = 0$ . Hence it suffices to show that  $\Psi$  is linear.

Let  $f, g \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  with  $f \neq g$ . Since  $\dim \mathfrak{S}(X) > 1$ , there exist an element  $h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  such that

$$\|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha \neq 0.$$

Since  $\Psi$  is a 2-isometry, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(f) - \Psi\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right) \right\|_\beta \\ &= \left\| f - h, f - \frac{f+g}{2} \right\|_\alpha \\ &= \left\| f - h, \frac{f-g}{2} \right\|_\alpha \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, f - g\|_\alpha \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|f - h, g - h\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \|\Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h)\|_\beta \end{aligned}$$



from Remark 3.2. Similarly, we can obtain

$$\left\| \Psi(g) - \Psi\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h) \right\|_{\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \|\Psi(f) - \Psi(h), \Psi(g) - \Psi(h)\|_{\beta}.$$

Since  $\frac{f+g}{2}$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  are collinear,  $\Psi\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right)$ ,  $\Psi(f)$  and  $\Psi(g)$  are also collinear. By Lemma 3.9 we have

$$\Psi\left(\frac{f+g}{2}\right) = \frac{\Psi(f) + \Psi(g)}{2}$$

for all  $f, g \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ . Since  $\Psi(0) = 0$ , we can easily show that  $\Psi$  is additive. It follows that  $\Psi$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear.

Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$  with  $r \neq 1$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$ . Since  $0, f$  and  $rf$  are collinear,  $\Psi(0)$ ,  $\Psi(f)$  and  $\Psi(rf)$  are also collinear. Since  $\Psi(0) = 0$ , there exists a real number  $k$  such that  $\Psi(rf) = k\Psi(f)$ . Since  $\dim\mathfrak{S}(X) > 1$ , there exist an element  $g$  of  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  such that  $\|f, g\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ . Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} r \|f, g\|_{\alpha} &= \|rf, g\|_{\alpha} = \|rf - 0, g - 0\|_{\alpha} \\ &= \|\Psi(rf) - \Psi(0), \Psi(g) - \Psi(0)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|\Psi(rf), \Psi(g)\|_{\beta} = \|k\Psi(f), \Psi(g)\|_{\beta} \\ &= |k| \|\Psi(f), \Psi(g)\|_{\beta} = k \|\Psi(f) - \Psi(0), \Psi(g) - \Psi(0)\|_{\beta} \\ &= |k| \|f - 0, g - 0\|_{\alpha} = |k| \|f, g\|_{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|f, g\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ ,  $|k| = r$ . Then  $\Psi(rf) = r\Psi(f)$  or  $\Psi(rf) = -r\Psi(f)$ . Firstly, assume that  $k = -r$ , that is,  $\Psi(rf) = -r\Psi(f)$ . Then there exist positive rational numbers  $q_1, q_2$  such that  $0 < q_1 < r < q_2$ . Since  $\dim\mathfrak{S}(X) > 1$ , there exist an element  $h \in \mathfrak{S}(X)$  such that  $\|rf - q_2f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(q_2 + r) \|\Psi(f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|r\Psi(f) + q_2\Psi(f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|-\Psi(rf) + \Psi(q_2f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|\Psi(rf) - \Psi(q_2f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|rf - q_2f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \\ &= |r - q_2| \|f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \\ &= |q_2 - r| \|f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \\ &\leq (q_2 - q_1) \|f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \\ &= \|q_1f - q_2f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \\ &= \|\Psi(q_1f) - \Psi(q_2f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= \|q_1\Psi(f) - q_2\Psi(f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= |q_1 - q_2| \|\Psi(f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \\ &= (q_2 - q_1) \|\Psi(f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|rf - q_2f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ ,

$$\|\Psi(rf) - \Psi(q_2f), \Psi(h) - \Psi(q_2f)\|_{\beta} \neq 0.$$

Thus we have  $r + q_2 \leq q_2 - q_1$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $k = r$ , that is,  $\Psi(rf) = r\Psi(f)$  for all positive real number  $r$ . Thus for every real number  $r$ ,  $\Psi(rf) = r\Psi(f)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

We get the following corollary from Theorem 3.8 and Theorem 3.10.

**Corollary 3.11.** *Let  $\Psi$  be a 2-Lipschitz mapping with the 2-Lipschitz constant  $\kappa \leq 1$ . Suppose that  $\Psi(f)$ ,  $\Psi(g)$  and  $\Psi(h)$  are collinear when  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$  are collinear. If  $\Psi$  satisfies (AOPP), then  $\Psi$  is an affine 2-isometry.*

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