## 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  $\Im(X)$  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  $\Im(X)$  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 it's 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  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- $(4) ||x, y + z|| \le ||x, y|| + ||x, z||,$
- $\|\bullet, \bullet\|$  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  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x, y \in X$ ,  $N(x + y, s + t) \ge \min\{N(x, s), N(y, t)\}$ ,
- (N5)  $N(x,\cdot)$  is a non-decreasing function of  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lim_{t \to \infty} N(x,t) = 1$ .

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  $\Im(X)$  be the set of all fuzzy sets on X. For  $U, V \in \Im(X)$  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  $\hat{X} = X \times (0,1]$  over the number field S where the addition and scalar multiplication operation on 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)  $||(x,\nu) + (y,\mu)|| \le ||(x,\nu \wedge \mu)|| + ||(y,\nu \wedge \mu)||$  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  $\Im(X)$  be the set of all fuzzy sets in X. If  $f \in \Im(X)$  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  $\Im(X)$ is a linear space over the field S where the addition and scalar multiplication are defined by

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

and

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

where  $\lambda \in S$ .

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

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(ii)  $||\lambda f|| = |\lambda| \ ||f||, \ \lambda \in S$ . For 
$$||\lambda f|| = \{||\lambda(x, \mu)|| : (x, \mu) \in f, \ \lambda \in S\}$$

$$= \{|\lambda| \ ||(x, \mu)|| : (x, \mu) \in f\} = |\lambda| \ ||f||.$$
(iii)  $||f + a|| \le ||f|| + ||a||$  for every  $f, a \in \Im(X)$ . 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)  $||f+g|| \le ||f|| + ||g||$  for every  $f, g \in \Im(X)$ . For

$$||f + g|| = \{||(x, \mu) + (y, \eta)|| : x, y \in X, \ \mu, \eta \in (0, 1]\}$$

$$= \{||(x + y), (\mu \wedge \eta)|| : x, y \in X, \ \mu, \eta \in (0, 1]\}$$

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

$$= ||f|| + ||g||$$

Then  $(\Im(X), \|\bullet\|)$  is a normed linear space.

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

**Definition 2.8.** [20] Let  $\Im(X)$  be a linear space over the real field S. A fuzzy subset N of  $\Im(X) \times \Im(X) \times \mathbb{R}$  ( $\mathbb{R}$ , set of real numbers) is called a 2-fuzzy 2-norm on X (or fuzzy 2-norm on  $\Im(X)$ ) 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) \ge \min\{N(f_1, f_2, s), N(f_1, f_3, t)\},\$$

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

Then  $(\Im(X), N)$  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 nondecreasing function of  $\mathbb{R}$  for all  $f_1, f_2 \in \Im(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** [20] Let  $(\Im(X), N)$  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  $||f_1, f_2||_{\alpha} = \inf\{t : N(f_1, f_2, t) \ge \alpha, \alpha \in (0, 1)\}.$ 

Then  $\{\|\bullet,\bullet\|_{\alpha}:\alpha\in(0,1)\}$  is an ascending family of 2-norms on  $\Im(X)$ . These 2-norms are called  $\alpha$ -2-norms on  $\Im(X)$  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  $\Im(X)$  is a fuzzy 2-normed linear space. Hereafter we use the notion of fuzzy 2-normed linear space on  $\Im(X)$  instead of 2-fuzzy 2-normed linear space on X.

**Lemma 3.1.** For all  $f, h \in \Im(X), \alpha \in (0,1)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\|f, h\|_{\alpha} = \|f, h + \lambda f\|_{\alpha}.$ 

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*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  $f, g, h \in \Im(X), \alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$||f - h, f - g||_{\alpha} = ||f - h, g - h||_{\alpha}$$

**Lemma 3.3.** For  $g, h \in \Im(X)$ , 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  $f \in \Im(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ .

*Proof.* For all  $f \in \Im(X)$ ,  $\|f,g+h\|_{\alpha} = \|f,g+\lambda g\|_{\alpha} = \|f,(1+\lambda)g\|_{\alpha} = (1+\beta)$  $\lambda)\left\|f,g\right\|_{\alpha}=\left\|f,g\right\|_{\alpha}+\lambda\left\|f,g\right\|_{\alpha}=\left\|f,g\right\|_{\alpha}+\left\|f,h\right\|_{\alpha}.$ 

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $\Im(X)$  and  $\Im(Y)$  be fuzzy 2-normed linear spaces and  $\Psi$ :  $\Im(X) \to \Im(Y)$  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  $f, g, h \in \Im(X)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ .

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

(AOPP) Let 
$$f, g, h \in \Im(X)$$
 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

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

for all  $f, g, h \in \Im(X)$  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  $f, g \in \Im(X)$  with  $f \neq g$  such that  $\Psi(f) = \Psi(g)$ . Since dim $\Im(X) \geq 2$ , there is  $h' \in \Im(X)$  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

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

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

$$\left\|\Psi\left(h\right) - \Psi\left(f\right), \Psi\left(g\right) - \Psi\left(f\right)\right\|_{\beta} = 0,$$

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

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

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

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, ..., k. Since  $\Psi$  satisfies (AOPP),

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( f_{1} \right) - \Psi \left( f_{0} \right) \right\|_{\beta} = \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( f_{2} \right) - \Psi \left( f_{1} \right) \right\|_{\beta} \\ & = & \left\| \left( \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right) \right), r_{0} \left( \Psi \left( f_{1} \right) - \Psi \left( f_{0} \right) \right) \right\|_{\beta} = \left| r_{0} \right| \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( f_{1} \right) - \Psi \left( f_{0} \right) \right\|_{\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

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, ..., k - 1. Thus  $\Psi(f_{i+1}) - \Psi(f_i) = \Psi(f_1) - \Psi(f_0)$  for all i = 0, 1, ..., k-1. Hence

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

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$$\begin{split} \left\|\Psi\left(h\right) - \Psi\left(f\right), \Psi\left(g\right) - \Psi\left(f\right)\right\|_{\beta} &= \left\|\Psi\left(h\right) - \Psi\left(f\right), k\left(\Psi\left(f_{1}\right) - \Psi\left(f_{0}\right)\right)\right\|_{\beta} \\ &= k \left\|\Psi\left(h\right) - \Psi\left(f\right), \Psi\left(f_{1}\right) - \Psi\left(f_{0}\right)\right\|_{\beta} = k. \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

**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  $f, g, h \in \Im(X)$ , 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  $\Psi\left(f\right)$ ,  $\Psi\left(g\right)$  and  $\Psi\left(h\right)$  are collinear, that is,  $\Psi\left(h\right)-\Psi\left(f\right)$ 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

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

We can set

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

Then we get

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

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

Thus.

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

By the definition of w,

$$w-g=\left(rac{n_0}{\left\|h-f,g-f
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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,

$$\left\|h-f,w-f\right\|_{\alpha}=\left\|h-f,w-g\right\|_{\alpha}+\left\|h-f,g-f\right\|_{\alpha}.$$

Thus we have

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

By the assumption,

$$\begin{array}{lll} n_{0} & = & \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( w \right) - \Psi \left( f \right) \right\|_{\beta} \\ & \leq & \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( w \right) - \Psi \left( g \right) \right\|_{\beta} + \left\| \Psi \left( h \right) - \Psi \left( f \right), \Psi \left( g \right) - \Psi \left( f \right) \right\|_{\beta} \\ & < & n_{0} - \left\| h - f, g - f \right\|_{\alpha} + \left\| h - f, g - f \right\|_{\alpha} = n_{0}, \end{array}$$

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

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

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

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

Now we prove the uniqueness.

Let u be an element of  $\Im(X)$  satisfying the above properties. That is,

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

for some  $h \in \Im(X)$  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

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

and

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

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.

**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  $f, g \in \Im(X)$  with  $f \neq g$ . Since  $\dim \Im(X) > 1$ , there exist an element  $h \in \Im(X)$  such that

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

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

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

from Remark 3.2. Similarly, we can obtain

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

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  $f, g \in \Im(X)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in (0,1)$ . 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  $f \in \Im(X)$ . 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  $\dim \Im(X) > 1$ , there exist an element g of  $\Im(X)$  such that  $\|f,g\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ . Then we get

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

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  $\dim \Im(X) > 1$ , there exist an element  $h \in \Im(X)$  such that  $\|rf - q_2f, h - q_2f\|_{\alpha} \neq 0$ . Then we have

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

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.

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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