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# ON THE ALEKSANDROV PROBLEM IN NON-ARCHIMEDEAN 2-NORMED SPACES

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Abstract. This paper show that every generalized area  $n$  – preserving mapping between non-Archimedean 2−normed spaces X and Y is a generalized 2−isometry under some conditions. In addition, we also showed the Alksandrov problem in non-Archimedean n−normed spaces under some conditions.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1970, Aleksandrov in [1] posed the question that: whether the exist of the single preserved distance implies that  $f$  is an isometry from the metric space  $X$  into itself.

Until now, the Alesandrov problem in linear normed spaces has been studied in reference [2-6]. Recently Chu et al in [3] begin to consider the Aleksandrov problem in linear 2−normed spaces. They introduce the concept of 2−isometry and prove that Rassias and Semrl's theorem holds under some conditions.

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By utilizing the idea of preserving colinear, the authors give the following conclusion.

**Theorem 1.1.** ([3]) Let X and Y be 2-normed space and  $f: X \to Y$ , if f is a 2−Lipschitz mapping with the 2−Lipschitz constant  $K \leq 1$ , if x, y and z are colinear implies  $f(x)$ ,  $f(y)$  and  $f(z)$  are colinear and if f satisfies (AOPP), then f is a  $2-i$ sometry.

After that, Ren Weiyun in [7] proved that the theorem still hold without the condition of preserving colinear. The author give the following conclusion.

**Theorem 1.2.** ([7]) Let X and Y be 2-normed space and  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies (GAnPP) for all  $n \in N$ , if  $|| f(x) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| \le ||x - z, p - q||$  for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| \leq 1$ , then f is a generalized 2-isometry.

A natural question is that: Whether the abover theorem still holds in the non-Archimedean 2−normed space? In this paper, we prove that the answer is positive if  $|| f(x) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| \le ||x - z, p - q||$  for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$ .

A non-Archimedean filed  $[8]$  is a filed  $K$  equipped with a function (valuation)  $|\cdot|$  from K into  $[0,\infty)$  such that  $|r|=0$  if and only if  $r=0, |rs|=|r||s|$ , and  $|r + s| \leq max\{|r|, |s|\}$  for all  $r, s \in \mathcal{K}$ . Clearly  $|1| = |-1| = 1$  and  $|n| \leq 1$  for all  $n \in N$ . An example of a non-Archimedean valuation is the mapping  $|\cdot|$ taking everything but 0 into 1 and  $|0| = 0$ . This valuation is called trivial.

Another example of a non-Archimedean valuation is the mapping

$$
|r|_1 = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } r = 0, \\ \frac{1}{r}, & \text{if } r > 0, \\ -\frac{1}{r}, & \text{if } r < 0, \end{cases}
$$

for any  $r \in \mathcal{K}$  with the condition that  $r = r_1 + r_2$  with  $r_1 \cdot r_2 > 0$ .

2. The aleksandrov problem in non-archimedean 2−normed spaces

**Definition 2.1.** ([9]) Let X be a vector space of dimension greater than 1 over a filed K with a non-Archimedean valuation  $|\cdot|$ . A function  $\|\cdot,\cdot\|: X \times X \to$  $[0, \infty)$  is said to be a non-Archimedean 2–norm if it satisfies the following conditions:

(i)  $||x, y|| = 0$  if and only if x, y are linearly dependent;

(ii)  $||x, y|| = ||y, x||;$ 

 $(iii)$ || $rx, y$ || =  $|r| ||x, y||$  ( $r \in \mathcal{K}, x, y \in X$ );

(iv) the strong triangle inequality

 $||x, y + z|| \leq max{||x, y||, ||x, z||}$   $(x, y, z \in X).$ 

Then  $(x, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is called a non-Archimedean 2–normed space.

From now on, we assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  be non-Archimedean 2-normed linear spaces over a field K with a non-Archimedean valuation  $|\cdot|_1$ , f be a mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$  if without special statements.

**Definition 2.2.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean 2–normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is a generalized 2-isometry if

$$
||x - w, y - z|| = ||f(x) - f(w), f(y) - f(z)||
$$

for all  $x, w, y, z \in X$ . In particular if  $w = z$ , then f is said to be a 2-isometry.

**Definition 2.3.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean 2–normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is a generalized area n preserving property (GAnPP) if

$$
||x - w, y - z|| = n
$$

implies that

$$
||f(x) - f(w), f(y) - f(z)|| = n
$$

for all  $x, w, y, z \in X$ . In particular if  $n = 1$ , then f is said to satisfy the generalized area one preserving property (GAOPP).

Definition 2.4. Let X and Y be non-Archimedean 2−normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is 2-Lipschitz mapping if there is a  $K > 0$  such that

$$
||f(x) - f(w) \cdot f(y) - f(z)|| \le K||x - w, y - z||
$$

for all  $x, w, y, z \in X$ . The smallest such K is called the Lipschitz constant.

**Lemma 2.5.** ([9]) Let X be non-Archimedean 2-normed linear spaces, then  $||x, y|| = ||x, y + rx||$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and all  $r \in \mathcal{K}$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean 2–normed linear spaces and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies GAOPP and

 $|| f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| \le ||x - z, p - q||$ for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| \leq 1$ , then f satisfies  $|| f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| = ||x - z, p - q||$ 

for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| \leq 1$ .

Proof. If

$$
||f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| < ||x - z, p - q||,
$$

let

$$
w = z - ||x - z, p - q|| (x - z),
$$

then

$$
||w - z, p - q|| = |||x - z, p - q||(x - z), p - q|| = 1
$$

and

$$
||w - x, p - q||
$$
  
=  $||z - x - ||x - z, p - q|| (x - z), p - q||$   
=  $\frac{||x - z, p - q||}{1 + ||x - z, p - q||}$   
< 1.

Hence

$$
||f(w) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| = 1
$$

and

$$
||f(w) - f(x), f(p) - f(q)|| \le ||w - x, p - q|| < 1.
$$

On the other hand,

$$
|| f(w) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)||
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \max{|| f(w) - f(x), f(p) - f(q)||, ||f(x) - f(z).f(p) - f(q)||}
$$
  
\n
$$
< 1.
$$

This contradicts the equality  $|| f(w) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| = 1$ . Hence

$$
||f(x) - f(z).f(p) - f(q)|| = ||x - z, p - q||
$$
  
for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| \le 1$ .

Theorem 2.7. Let X and Y be non-Archimedean 2−normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  satisfies GAnPP for all  $n \in N$ , if f is a 2-Lipschitz mapping with  $K = 1$ :

$$
||f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| < ||x - z, p - q||
$$

for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$ , then f is a generalized 2-isometry.

Proof. By Lemma 2.6

$$
|| f(x) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| = ||x - z, p - q||
$$

for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| \leq 1$ . In the following, We will show that

$$
||f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| = ||x - z, p - q||
$$

if  $||x - z, p - q|| > 1$ . Suppose, on the contrary, that

$$
||f(x) - f(z) \cdot f(p) - f(q)|| < ||x - z, p - q||
$$

for all  $x, z, p, q \in X$  with  $||x - z, p - q|| > 1$ . There exists a positive integer  $n_0$ such that  $n_0 \le ||x - z.p - q|| < n_0 + 1$ .

Let

$$
y = x + \frac{\|x - z.p - q\|}{n_0 + 1}(x - z),
$$

then

$$
||y - x, p - q|| = ||\frac{||x - zp - q||}{n_0 + 1}(x - z), p - q|| = n_0 + 1
$$

and

$$
||y - z, p - q||
$$
  
=  $||(1 + \frac{||x - z.p - q||}{n_0 + 1})(x - z), p - q||$   
=  $\frac{n_0 + 1}{n_0 + 1 + ||x - z.p - q||} ||x - z.p - q||$   
<  $||x - z.p - q||$   
<  $n_0 + 1$ .

Hence

$$
|| f(y) - f(x), f(p) - f(q)|| = n_0 + 1
$$

and

$$
||f(y) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| \le ||y - z, p - q|| < n_0 + 1.
$$

On the other hand,

$$
|| f(y) - f(x), f(p) - f(q)||
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \max{|| f(y) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)||, ||f(x) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)||}
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \max{||y - z, p - q||, ||x - z, p - q||}
$$
  
\n
$$
< n_0 + 1.
$$

This contradicts the equality

$$
|| f(y) - f(x), f(p) - f(q)|| = n_0 + 1.
$$

Hence

$$
||f(x) - f(z), f(p) - f(q)|| = ||x - z, p - q||
$$
  
when  $||x - z, p - q|| > 1$ . So f is a generalized 2-isometry.

## 3. The aleksandrov problem in non-Archimedean n−normed **SPACES**

**Definition 3.1.** ([10]) Let X be a vector space of dimension greater than  $n-1$ over a filed K with a non-Archimedean valuation  $\|\cdot\|$ . A function  $\|\cdot,\cdot\cdot\cdot,\cdot\|$ :  $X \times \cdots \times X \to [0, \infty)$  is said to be a non-Archimedean n–norm if it satisfies the following conditions:

(i)  $||x_1, \dots, x_n|| = 0$  if and only if  $|x_1, \dots, x_n$  are linearly dependent;

(ii)  $||x_1, ..., x_n|| = ||x_{j_1}, ..., x_{j_n}||$  for every permutation  $(j_1, ..., j_n)$  of  $(1, ..., n)$ ; (iii) $||rx_1, \dots, x_n|| = |r| ||x_1, \dots, x_n|| (r \in \mathcal{K}, x_1, \dots, x_n \in X);$ (iv) the strong triangle inequality

 $||x+y, x_2, \dots, x_n|| \leq max\{||xx_2, \dots, x_n||, ||y, x_2, \dots, x_n||\}(x, y, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X).$ Then  $(x, \|\cdot, \cdot\cdot\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is called a non-Archimedean n–normed space.

From now on, we assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  be non-Archimedean n-normed linear spaces over a field K with a non-Archimedean valuation  $|\cdot|_1$ , f be a mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$  if without special statements.

**Definition 3.2.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean  $n$ -normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is a generalized n-isometry if

$$
||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| = ||f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$ . In particular if  $y_1 = y_2 = ... = y_n$ , then f is said to be a n-isometry.

Definition 3.3. Let X and Y be non-Archimedean n−normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is a generalized distance n preserving property (GDnPP) if

$$
||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| = n
$$

implies that

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = n
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$ . In particular if  $n = 1$ , then f is said to satisfy the generalized distance one preserving property (GDOPP).

**Definition 3.4.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean n–normed linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  a mapping. We say that f is n-Lipschitz mapping if there is a  $K > 0$  such that

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| \le K||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$ . The smallest such K is called the n-Lipschitz constant.

**Lemma 3.5.** ([10]) Let X be non-Archimedean n-normed linear spaces,  $x_i$  be an element of a non-Archimedean n-normed spaces X, for every  $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$ and  $r \in \mathcal{K}$ , then  $||x_1, ..., x_i, ..., x_j, ..., x_n|| = ||x_1, ..., x_i, ..., x_j + rx_i, ..., x_n||$  for all  $x_1, ..., x_n \in X$  and all  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** Let X and Y be non-Archimedean n-normed linear spaces and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies GDOPP and

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| \le ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$  with  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| \leq 1$ , then f satisfies

$$
||f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$  with  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| \leq 1$ .

Proof. If

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| < ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||,
$$

let

$$
y_0 = y_1 - ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| (x_1 - y_1),
$$

then

 $||y_0 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| = |||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| (x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n|| = 1$ and

$$
||y_0 - x_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$
  
=  $||y_1 - x_1 - ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| (x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n||$   
= 
$$
\frac{||(x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n||}{1 + ||(x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n||}
$$
  
< 1.

Hence

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) || = 1
$$

and

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(x_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||
$$
  
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$$
\leq || y_0 - x_1, ..., x_n - y_n ||
$$
  
\n
$$
< 1.
$$

On the other hand

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \max \{ || f(y_0) - f(x_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||,
$$
  
\n
$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) || \}
$$
  
\n
$$
< 1.
$$

This contradicts the equality

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) || = 1.
$$

Hence

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$  with  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| \leq 1.$ 

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be non-Arichimedean n-normed spaces and  $f$ :  $X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies GDnPP for all  $n \in N$ , if f is a n-Lipschitz mapping with  $K = 1$  :

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| \le ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$ , then f is a generalized n-isometry.

Proof. By Lemma 3.6

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$  with  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| \leq 1$ . In the following, We will show that

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

if  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| > 1$ . Suppose, on the contrary, that

$$
||f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| < ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

for all  $x_1, ..., x_n, y_1, ..., y_n \in X$  with  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| > 1$ . There exists a positive integer  $n_0$  such that  $n_0 < ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| \leq n_0 + 1$ . Let

$$
y_0 = y_1 - \frac{\|x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n\|}{n_0 + 1}(x_1 - y_1),
$$

then

$$
||y_0 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$
  
=  $|| - \frac{||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||}{n_0 + 1} (x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n||$   
=  $n_0 + 1$ ,

and

$$
||y_0 - x_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$
  
=  $|| - (1 + \frac{||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||}{n_0 + 1})(x_1 - y_1), ..., x_n - y_n||$   
=  $\frac{n_0 + 1}{n_0 + 1 + ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||} ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||$   
<  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||$   
<  $n_0 + 1$ .

Hence

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) || = n_0 + 1
$$

and

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(x_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq || y_0 - x_1, ..., x_n - y_n ||
$$
  
\n
$$
< n_0 + 1.
$$

On the other hand,

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \max \{ || f(y_0) - f(x_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) ||,
$$
  
\n
$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n) || \}
$$
  
\n
$$
< n_0 + 1.
$$

This contradicts the equality

$$
|| f(y_0) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = n_0 + 1.
$$

Hence

$$
|| f(x_1) - f(y_1), ..., f(x_n) - f(y_n)|| = ||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n||
$$

when  $||x_1 - y_1, ..., x_n - y_n|| > 1$ . So f is a generalized n-isometry.  $\Box$ 

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