# Stability and superstability of homomorphisms on $C^*$ -ternary algebras

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we investigate the stability and superstability of homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -ternary algebras associated with the functional equation

$$f(\frac{x+2y+2z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x+y-z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x-3y-z}{5}) = f(x).$$

#### Introduction 1

The *stability problem* of functional equations started with the following question concerning stability of group homomorphisms proposed by S.M. Ulam [40] during a talk before a Mathematical Colloquium at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1940:

Let  $(G_1, .)$  be a group and  $(G_2, *)$  be a metric group with the metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , does there exist a  $\delta > 0$  such that, if a mapping  $h: G_1 \longrightarrow G_2$ satisfies the inequality  $d(h(x,y), h(x) * h(y)) < \delta$  for all  $x, y \in G_1$ , then there exists a homomorphism  $H: G_1 \longrightarrow G_2$  with  $d(h(x), H(x)) < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in G_1$ ?

In 1941, Hyers [18] gave a first affirmative answer to the question of Ulam for Banach spaces as follows:

If E and E' are Banach spaces and  $f: E \longrightarrow E'$  is a mapping for which there is  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that



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 $||f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)|| \le \varepsilon$  for all  $x, y \in E$ , then there is a unique additive mapping  $L: E \longrightarrow E'$  such that  $||f(x) - L(x)|| \le \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in E$ .

Hyers' Theorem was generalized by Rassias [36] for linear mappings by considering an unbounded Cauchy difference.

The paper of Rassias [37] has provided a lot of influence in the development of what we now call the *generalized Hyers–Ulam stability* or as *Hyers–Ulam– Rassias stability* of functional equations. In 1994, a generalization of the Rassias theorem was obtained by Găvruta [14] by replacing the unbounded Cauchy difference by a general control function in the spirit of Rassias' approach. For more details about the results concerning such problems, the reader refer to [3, 4, 5, 11, 16, 25, 13, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22] and [29]–[34] and [7, 38].

Ternary algebraic operations have propounded originally in 19th century in Cayley [2] and J.J.Silvester's paper [39]. The application of ternary algebra in supersymmetry is presented in [23] and in Yang-Baxter equation in [27]. Cubic analogue of Laplace and d'alembert equations have been considered for first order by Himbert in [17],[24]. The previous definition of  $C^*$ -ternary algebras has been propounded by H.Zettle in [41]. In relation to homomorphisms and isomorphisms between various spaces we refer readers to [28]–[35], [1, 6, 8, 12, 9, 10].

# 2 Prelimiaries

Let A be a linear space over a complex field equipped with a mapping []:  $A^3 = A \times A \times A \to A$  with  $(x, y, z) \to [x, y, z]$  that is linear in variables x, y, z and satisfy the associative identity, i.e. [x, y, [z, u, v]] = [x, [y, z, u], v] = [[x, y, z], u, v] for all  $x, y, z, u, v \in A$ . The pair (A, []) is called a ternary algebra. The ternary algebra (A, []) is called unital if it has an identity element, i.e. an element  $e \in A$  such that [x, e, e] = [e, e, x] = x for every  $x \in A$ . A \* - ternary algebra is a ternary algebra together with a mapping  $*: A \to A$  which satisfies  $(x^*)^* = x, (\lambda x)^* = \overline{\lambda} x^*, (x + y)^* = x^* + y^*, [x, y, z]^* = [z^*, y^*, x^*]$  for all  $x, y, z \in A$  and all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . In the case that A is unital and e is its unit, we assume that  $e^* = e$ .

A is normed ternary algebra if A is a ternary algebra and there exists a norm  $\|.\|$  on A which satisfies  $\|[x, y, z]\| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \|z\|$  for all  $x, y, z \in A$ . Whenever the ternary algebra A is unital with unit element e, we repute  $\|e\| = 1$ . A normed ternary algebra A is called a Banach ternary algebra, if  $(A, \|\|)$  is a Banach space. If A is a ternary algebra,  $x \in A$  is called central if [x, y, z] = [z, x, y] = [y, z, x] for all y, z in A.

The set of central elements of A is called the center of A and is shown by Z(A).

In case A is \*-normed ternary algebra and Z(A) = 0 we grant  $||x^*|| = ||x||$ . A C\*-ternary algebra is a Banach \*-*ternary algebra* if  $||[x^*, y, x]|| = ||x||^2 ||y||$  for all x in A and y in Z(A).

Let A,B be two  $C^*$ -ternary algebras. A linear mapping  $h : A \to B$  is called a homomorphism if h([x, y, z]) = [h(x), h(y), h(z)] for all  $x, y, z \in A$  and a homomorphism  $h : A \to B$  is called a \*-homomorphism if  $h(a^*) = h(a)^*$  for all  $a \in A$ .

**Comments** : If A is a unital (binary)  $C^*$ -algebra with unit e, we define [x, y, z] := (xy)z for all x, y, z in A. Then we have  $[x, y, z]^* = ((xy)z)^* = z^*(xy)^* = z^*(y^*x^*) = (z^*y^*)x^* = [z^*, y^*, x^*]$ . Now if y in ternary algebra A belongs to Z(A), then we have  $yy^* = (yy^*)e = [y, y^*, e] = [y^*, e, y] = (y^*e)y = y^*y$ . Thus y is normal in  $C^*$ -algebra A. On the other hand, for every normal element x in a  $C^*$ -algebra, we have  $||x|| = \rho(x)$  in which  $\rho(x)$  is spectral radius of x. Theorem 1.3.4 of [26] expresses that if A is a unital and commutative Banach algebra and  $\Omega(A)$  is its maximal ideal space, then for every a in A  $\sigma(a) = \{h(a) ; h \in \Omega(A)\}$ . Now, if z belongs to  $C^*$ -algebra A and  $z = z^*$  and  $x \in A$  is normal and xz = zx, then zx is a normal element of  $C^*$ -algebra and if B is the  $C^*$ -algebra generated by x,z,e then B is unital and commutative and so

$$||zx|| = \sup_{h \in \Omega(A)} |h(zx)| = \sup_{h \in \Omega(A)} |h(z)| \sup_{h \in \Omega(A)} |h(x)| = ||z|| ||x||$$

Now let  $y \in A$  be a central element of ternary algebra A and let x belongs to A. Then

$$\|[x^*, y, x]\| = \|[x, x^*, y]\| = \|(xx^*)y\| = \|xx^*\|\|y\| = \|x\|^2\|y\|$$

Thus A is a unital  $C^*$ -ternary algebra.

### 3 Solution

We start our work with solution of functional equation

$$f(\frac{x+2y+2z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x+y-z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x-3y-z}{5}) = f(x).$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Let X and Y be linear spaces and  $f : X \to Y$  be a mapping. Then f is additive if and only if

$$f(\frac{x+2y+2z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x+y-z}{5}) + f(\frac{2x-3y-z}{5}) = f(x)$$
(1)

for all x,y,z in  $X - \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* If f is additive, it is obvious that f satisfies (1). Conversely suppose that f satisfies (1).

Letting x = y = z in (1), we have  $f(\frac{2x}{5}) + f(\frac{-2x}{5}) = 0$ . Replacing x by  $\frac{5x}{2}$  to get f(-x) = -f(x). Putting z = -y and x = y in (1) we get

$$f(\frac{y}{5}) + f(\frac{4y}{5}) + f(0) = f(y)$$
(2)

Laying z = 3x and y = x in (1) we infer that

$$f(x) = f(\frac{9x}{5}) + f(0) - f(\frac{4x}{5}).$$
(3)

Letting x = 2z and y = -2z in (1) we conclude that

$$f(2z) = f(0) + f(\frac{z}{5}) + f(\frac{9z}{5}).$$
(4)

Using (3) and (4) we see that

$$f(2x) - f(x) = f(\frac{x}{5}) + f(\frac{4x}{5}).$$
(5)

By use of (5) and (2) we obtain

$$f(2x) = 2f(x) - f(0).$$
 (6)

It follows from (6) that

$$f(\frac{4y}{5}) = 4f(\frac{y}{5}) - 3f(0).$$
(7)

We deduce from (2) and (7) that

$$5f(\frac{y}{5}) = f(y) + 2f(0).$$
(8)

Multiplying by 5 both sides of (3) with (8) we lead to

$$f(9x) = 5f(x) + f(4x) - 5f(0).$$
(9)

It follows from (6) and (9) that

$$f(9x) = 9f(x) - 8f(0).$$
(10)

Multiply by 5 both sides of (4), together with (6) and (8) one gets

$$f(9x) = 9f(x) - 14f(0).$$
(11)

We infer from (11) and (10) that f(0) = 0. Hence by (6) and (8) and (10), we have

$$f(2x) = 2f(x), \ f(9x) = 9f(x), \ f(y) = 5f(\frac{y}{5}).$$
(12)

Replacing y by 5y in (12) we get

$$f(2x) = 2f(x), \ f(9x) = 9f(x), \ f(5y) = 5f(y).$$
(13)

$$f(x+2y+2z) + f(2x+y-z) + f(2x-3y-z) = 5f(x).$$
(14)

Laying y = -z in (14) with (13) one gets

$$f(x-z) + f(x+z) = f(2x).$$
(15)

We replace r = x - z and s = x + z in (15), then we have f(r) + f(s) = f(r+s). Hence f is additive.

We need the following theorem in our main results.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  be a fixed positive integer number and X and Y be linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  be an additive function. Then f is linear if and only if  $f(\mu x) = \mu f(x)$  for all x in X and  $\mu$  in  $T_{\frac{1}{n_o}}^1 = \{e^{i\theta} ; 0 \le \theta \le \frac{2\pi}{n_o}\}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that f is additive and  $f(\mu x) = \mu f(x)$  for all x in X and  $\mu$  in  $T^{1}_{\frac{1}{q_{\alpha}}}$ .

Let  $\mu$  be in  $T^1$ , then  $\mu = e^{i\theta}$  that  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$ . We set  $\mu_1 = e^{\frac{i\theta}{n_o}}$ , thus  $\mu_1$  is in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{n_o}}$  and  $f(\mu x) = f(\mu_1^{n_o} x) = \mu_1^{n_o} f(x) = \mu f(x)$ for all x in X. If  $\mu$  belongs to  $nT^1 = \{nz \ ; \ z \in T^1\}$  then by additivity of f,  $f(\mu x) = \mu f(x)$ 

for all x in X and  $\mu$  in  $nT^1$ . If  $t \in (0, \infty)$  then by archimedean property there exists a natural number n such that the point (t, 0) lies in the interior of circle with center at origin and radius n.

Let  $t_1 = t + \sqrt{n^2 - t^2} \ i \in nT^1$  and  $t_2 = t - \sqrt{n^2 - t^2} \ i \in nT^1$ . We have  $t = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}$  and  $f(tx) = f(\frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}x) = \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}f(x) = tf(x)$  for all x in X.

If  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$ , then  $\mu = |\mu|e^{i\mu_1}$  so  $f(\mu x) = f(|\mu|e^{i\mu_1}x) = |\mu|e^{i\mu_1}f(x) = \mu f(x)$  for all x in X.

The converse is clear.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let X and Y be linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  be a mapping. Then f is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear if and only if

$$f(\frac{\mu x + 2y + 2z}{5}) + f(\frac{2\mu x + y - z}{5}) + f(\frac{2\mu x - 3y - z}{5}) = \mu f(x)$$
(16)

for all x,y,z in  $X - \{0\}$  and  $\mu$  in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{\mu_0}}$ .

*Proof.* If f is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear, it is clear that f satisfies (16). Conversely, let f satisfies (16). We set  $\mu = 1$  in (16), then by Theorem 3.1, f is an additive mapping. Letting y = z = 0 in (16) we have  $f(\frac{\mu x}{5}) + 2f(\frac{2\mu x}{5}) = \mu f(x)$ . By additivity of f we get  $f(\mu x) = \mu f(x)$  for all x in X and  $\mu$  in  $T^{1}_{\frac{1}{n_{o}}}$ .

So by Theorem 3.2 f is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

**Notation 3.4.** Let X and Y be linear spaces and  $f: X \to Y$  be a mapping. Then we set

$$E_{\mu}f(x,y,z) = f(\frac{\mu x + 2y + 2z}{5}) + f(\frac{2\mu x + y - z}{5}) + f(\frac{2\mu x - 3y - z}{5}) - \mu f(x)$$

for all x,y,z in X and  $\mu$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## 4 Stability

In this section we investigate the Stability of \*-homomorphisms between  $C^*$ -ternary algebras.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let A and B be two  $C^*$ -ternary algebras and  $\varphi, \psi : A^3 \to [0, \infty)$  be functions such that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3^{n-1} \varphi(\frac{x}{3^{n-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^n}) < \infty \quad [\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \varphi(3^n x, 0, 3^{n-1} x) < \infty],$$
(17)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \varphi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \quad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0], \quad (18)$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{3n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \qquad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^{3n}} \psi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0],$$
(19)

for all x,y,z in A. Suppose that  $f:A\to B$  is a mapping such that

$$||E_{\mu}f(x,y,z)|| \le \varphi(x,y,z) \tag{20}$$

$$\|f([x,y,z]) - [f(x), f(y), f(z)]\| \le \psi(x,y,z), \quad \|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\| \le \psi(a,0,0)$$
(21)

for all x,y,z,a in A and  $\mu$  in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{n_o}}.$  Then there exists a unique  $*-\text{homomorphism }T:A\to B~$  such that

$$||T(x) - f(x)|| \le \tilde{\varphi}(x) \tag{22}$$

and we have

$$T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n}) \quad [T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} f(3^n x)],$$
(23)

for all  $\mathbf{x}$  in A.

*Proof.* Letting  $\mu = 1$  and  $z = \frac{x}{3}$  and y = 0 in (20), we have

$$\|3f(\frac{x}{3}) - f(x)\| \le \varphi(x, 0, \frac{x}{3}).$$
(24)

Replacing x by  $\frac{x}{3}$  in (24) and multiplying by 3 both sides of (24), we get

$$\|3^2 f(\frac{x}{3^2}) - 3f(\frac{x}{3})\| \le 3\varphi(\frac{x}{3}, 0, \frac{x}{3^2}).$$
(25)

Using (24) and (25) we get

$$\|3^2 f(\frac{x}{3^2}) - f(x)\| \le \varphi(x, 0, \frac{x}{3}) + 3\varphi(\frac{x}{3}, o, \frac{x}{3^2})$$

By use of the above method, by induction, we infer that

$$\|3^{n}f(\frac{x}{3^{n}}) - f(x)\| \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} 3^{i-1}\varphi(\frac{x}{3^{i-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^{i}}).$$
(26)

Substitute x with  $\frac{x}{3^m}$  in (26) and multiply by  $3^m$  its both parties of inequality, we lead to

$$\|3^{n+m}f(\frac{x}{3^{n+m}}) - 3^m f(\frac{x}{3^m})\| \le \sum_{i=m+1}^{n+m} 3^{i-1}\varphi(\frac{x}{3^{i-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^i}) \le \sum_{i=m+1}^{\infty} 3^{i-1}\varphi(\frac{x}{3^{i-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^i})$$
(27)

The right expression of (27) by (17) tends to zero as m tends to infinity. So the sequence  $\{3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n})\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in complete space *B*. Hence,

one can define  $T: A \to B$  by  $T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n})$ . From (20) and (18) we arrive at

$$||E_{\mu}T(x,y,z)|| = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{n} ||E_{\mu}f(\frac{x}{3^{n}},\frac{y}{3^{n}},\frac{z}{3^{n}})|| \le \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{n}\varphi(\frac{x}{3^{n}},\frac{y}{3^{n}},\frac{z}{3^{n}}) = 0.$$

So  $E_{\mu}T(x, y, z) = 0$  for all x,y,z in A and  $\mu$  in  $T^{1}_{\frac{1}{n_{0}}}$ .

By Theorem 3.3, T is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear. (21) and (19) imply that

$$\begin{split} \|T([x,y,z]) - [T(x),T(y),T(z)]\| &= \\ \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{3n} \|f([\frac{x}{3^n},\frac{y}{3^n},\frac{z}{3^n}]) - [f(\frac{x}{3^n}),f(\frac{y}{3^n}),f(\frac{z}{3^n})]\| \leq \\ \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{3n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n},\frac{y}{3^n},\frac{z}{3^n}) = 0. \end{split}$$

Thus T([x, y, z]) = [T(x), T(y), T(z)] for all x,y,z in A. By a same method as above, we can show that  $T(a^*) = T(a)^*$  for all a in A. Therefore, T is a \*-homomorphism.

Now let  $T': A \to B$  be another \*-homomorphism satisfying  $||T'(x) - f(x)|| \leq \tilde{\varphi}(x)$  for all x in A. Then from linearity of T' we see that

$$\|T(x) - T'(x)\| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n}) - T'(x)\| = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \|f(\frac{x}{3^n}) - T'(\frac{x}{3^n})\| \le \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \tilde{\varphi}(\frac{x}{3^n}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} 3^{i-1} \varphi(\frac{x}{3^{i-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^i}) = 0.$$
  
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Corollary 4.2. Let  $\theta$ ,  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3$ ,  $p_4$ ,  $p_5$ ,  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$ ,  $q_3$  be real numbers such that  $\theta, p_2 > 0 ,$ 

 $p_1, p_2, p_3 > 1$   $[p_1, p_2, p_3 < 1]$  ,  $p_4 + p_5 > 1$   $[p_4 + p_5 < 1]$  ,  $q_1, q_2, q_3 > 1$  $3 [q_1, q_2, q_3 < 3]$ 

and A,B be two C\*-ternary algebras and  $f: A \to B$  be a mapping satisfying

$$||E_{\mu}f(x,y,z)|| \le \theta(||x||^{p_1} + ||y||^{p_2} + ||z||^{p_3} + ||x||^{p_4} ||z||^{p_5}).$$

 $\|f([x,y,z]) - [f(x),f(y),f(z)] \le \theta(\|x\|^{q_1} + \|y\|^{q_2} + \|z\|^{q_3}), \quad \|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\| \le \theta \|a\|^{q_1} + \|y\|^{q_2} + \|y\|^{q_2} + \|y\|^{q_3}$ for all x,y,z,a in A and all  $\mu$  in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{n_0}}$ . Then there exists a unique \*-homomorphism  $T:A\to B$  such that

$$||f(x) - T(x)|| \le \theta(\frac{3^{p_1}}{|3^{p_1} - 3|} ||x||^{p_1} + \frac{1}{|3^{p_3} - 3|} ||x||^{p_3} + \frac{3^{p_4}}{|3^{p_4 + p_5} - 3|} ||x||^{p_4 + p_5})$$

and

$$T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n}) \quad [T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} f(3^n x)]$$

for all x in A.

Proof. Putting

$$\varphi(x,y,z) = \theta(\|x\|^{p_1} + \|y\|^{p_2} + \|z\|^{p_3} + \|x\|^{p_4} \|z\|^{p_5})$$

and

$$\psi(x, y, z) = \theta(\|x\|^{q_1} + \|y\|^{q_2} + \|z\|^{q_3})$$

in Theorem 4.1.

5 Superstability

**Theorem 5.1.** Let A and B be two C\*-ternary algebras and  $\varphi, \psi : A^3 \to [0,\infty)$  be functions such that

$$\varphi(x,0,z) = 0,$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \varphi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \qquad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0],$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{3n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \qquad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^{3n}} \psi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0].$$

for all x,y,z in A. Suppose that  $f: A \to B$  is a mapping such that

$$\begin{split} \|E_{\mu}f(x,y,z)\| &\leq \varphi(x,y,z)\\ \|f([x,y,z]) - [f(x),f(y),f(z)]\| &\leq \psi(x,y,z), \quad \|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\| \leq \psi(a,0,0)\\ \text{for all x,y,z,a in A and } \mu \text{ in } T^1_{\frac{1}{n_a}}. \text{ Then } f \text{ is a }*-\text{homomorphism.} \end{split}$$

*Proof.* Because  $\varphi(x, o, z) = 0$  for all x,z in A, like the proof of Theorem 4.1, we have  $3f(\frac{x}{3}) = f(x)$  and by induction we infer that  $3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n}) = f(x)$ . Therefore T(x) = f(x) for all x in A. Thus f is a \*-homomorphism between  $C^*$ -ternary algebras. The other case is similar.

**Corollary 5.2.** Let  $\theta$ ,  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3$ ,  $p_4$ ,  $p_5$ ,  $p_6$ ,  $p_7$ ,  $p_8$ ,  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$ ,  $q_3$  be real numbers such that  $\theta \ge 0$ ,  $p_1 > 1$  $[p_1 < 1]$ ,  $p_2 + p_3 + p_4 > 1$   $[p_2 + p_3 + p_4 < 1]$ ,  $p_5 + p_6 > 1$   $[p_5 + p_6 < 1]$ ,  $p_7 + p_8 > 1$   $[p_7 + p_8 < 1]$ ,  $q_1 + q_2 + q_3 > 3$   $[q_1 + q_2 + q_3 < 3]$  and let A,B be two  $C^*$ -ternary algebras. Let  $f: A \to B$  be a mapping such that

 $\|E_{\mu}f(x,y,z)\| \leq \theta(\|y\|^{p_1} + \|x\|^{p_2}\|y\|^{p_3}\|z\|^{p_4} + \|x\|^{p_5}\|y\|^{p_6} + \|y\|^{p_7}\|z\|^{p_8})$ 

$$\|f([x, y, z]) - [f(x), f(y), f(z)]\| \le \theta(\|x\|^{q_1} \|y\|^{q_2} \|z\|^{q_3})$$

for all x,y,z in A and  $\mu$  in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{n_o}}$ . Then f is a homomorphism.

*Proof.* It follows by Theorem 5.1 by putting

$$\varphi(x, y, z) = \theta(\|y\|^{p_1} + \|x\|^{p_2} \|y\|^{p_3} \|z\|^{p_4} + \|x\|^{p_5} \|y\|^{p_6} + \|y\|^{p_7} \|z\|^{p_8})$$
  
$$\psi(x, y, z) = \theta(\|x\|^{q_1} \|y\|^{q_2} \|z\|^{q_3}).$$

**Theorem 5.3.** Let A and B be two  $C^*$ -ternary algebras and let B be unital with unit e' and let  $\varphi, \psi: A^3 \to [0, \infty)$  be functions such that

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\varphi}(x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3^{n-1} \varphi(\frac{x}{3^{n-1}}, 0, \frac{x}{3^n}) < \infty \quad [\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \varphi(3^n x, 0, 3^{n-1} x) < \infty], \\ &\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \varphi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \quad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0], \\ &\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{3n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, \frac{z}{3^n}) = 0 \quad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^{3n}} \psi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0], \\ &\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, z) = 0 \quad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^{2n}} \psi(3^n x, 3^n y, z) = 0], \end{split}$$

for all x,y,z in A. Suppose that  $f: A \to B$  is a mapping satisfying

$$||E_{\mu}f(x, y, z)|| \le \varphi(x, y, z)$$

 $\|f([x, y, z]) - [f(x), f(y), f(z)] \le \theta(\|x\|^{q_1} + \|y\|^{q_2} + \|z\|^{q_3}), \quad \|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\| \le \theta \|a\|^{q_1}$ for all x,y,z,a in A and  $\mu$  in  $T^1_{\frac{1}{n_q}}$  and there exists a  $x_0$  in A such that e' =

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x_0}{3^n})$ [ $e' = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} f(3^n x)$ ]. Then f is a \*-homomorphism.

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.1 there exists a \*-homomorphism  $T: A \to B$  such that

$$||T(x) - f(x)|| \le \tilde{\varphi}(x) \quad and \quad T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n})$$

for all x in A. Now observe that

$$\begin{split} \|[T(x), T(y), T(z)] - [T(x), T(y), f(z)]\| &= \|T([x, y, z]) - [T(x), T(y), f(z)]\| = \\ \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \|f([\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, z]) - [f(\frac{x}{3^n}, f(\frac{y}{3^n}), f(z)]\| \le \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, \frac{y}{3^n}, z) = 0 \end{split}$$

for all x,y,z in A. So [T(x), T(y), T(z) - f(z)] = 0 for all x,y,z in A.

By hypothesis of theorem, we get  $T(x_0) = e'$ . Replacing x,y by  $x_0$  in the last bracket, we have [e', e', T(z) - f(z)] = 0 for all z in A. Hence f(z) = T(z) for all z in A.

Therefore f is a \*-homomorphism between  $C^*$ -ternary algebras A and B.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 5.4.** Let A and B be two  $C^*$ -ternary algebras and  $\varphi, \psi : A^3 \to [0,\infty)$  be functions such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \psi(\frac{x}{3^n}, y, z) = 0, \quad [\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \psi(3^n x, y, z) = 0],$$
(28)

and satisfy (17), (18), (19).

Suppose that  $f: A \to B$  is a mapping that satisfies (20), (21) for all  $x, y, z \in A$  and all  $\mu \in T^1_{\underline{1}}$ .

Assume that S(B) be the set of all self adjoint elements of B and there exists an element  $y_o$  in A such that  $0 \neq \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{y_o}{3^n}) \in S(B)$   $[0 \neq \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{3^n} f(3^n y_o) \in S(B)]$  and  $\{f(3x) - 3f(x) ; x \in A\} \subseteq Z(B)$ . Then f is a \*-homomorphism between C\*-ternary algebras.

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.1 there exists a \*-homomorphism T such that  $T(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n})$  for all x in A. Also by (21) we get

$$||T([x_1, x_2, x_3]) - [T(x_1), f(x_2), f(x_3)]|| =$$

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n ||f([\frac{x_1}{3^n}, x_2, x_3]) - [f(\frac{x_1}{3^n}), f(x_2), f(x_3)]|| \le \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \psi(\frac{x_1}{3^n}, x_2, x_3) = 0.$ So  $T([x_1, x_2, x_3]) = [T(x_1), f(x_2), f(x_3)]$  for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  in A. Now assume n

belongs to  $\mathbb{N}$  and let  $x \in A$ . We set  $x_1 = y_o, x_2 = x, x_3 = \frac{y_o}{3^n}$ . So

$$T([y_o, x, \frac{y_o}{3^n}]) = [T(y_o), f(x), f(\frac{y_o}{3^n})]$$
(29)

Replacing x by 3x in (29), we obtain

$$3T([y_o, x, \frac{y_o}{3^n}]) = [T(y_o), f(3x), f(\frac{y_o}{3^n})].$$
(30)

Multiply both sides of (29) by 3, we conclude that

$$3T([y_o, x, \frac{y_o}{3^n}]) = [T(y_o), 3f(x), f(\frac{y_o}{3^n})].$$
(31)

It follows from (30) and (31) that

$$[T(y_o), f(3x) - 3f(x), f(\frac{y_o}{3^n})] = 0.$$
(32)

Multiply both sides of (32) by  $3^n$  and letting  $n \to \infty$  we arrive at  $[T(y_o), f(3x) - 3f(x), T(y_o)] = 0$ .

By assumption, we have  $0 \neq T(y_o) \in S(B)$  and  $f(3x) - 3f(x) \in Z(B)$ . According to the property of  $C^*$ -norm we obtain f(3x) - 3f(x) = 0 for all x in A. By induction, we find out that  $3^n f(\frac{x}{3^n}) = f(x)$  for all x in A and n in N. Taking the limit we have T(x) = f(x) for all x in A. Hence f is a \*-homomorphism.

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