

CAUCHY–RASSIAS STABILITY OF A GENERALIZED  
 ADDITIVE MAPPING IN BANACH MODULES  
 AND ISOMORPHISMS IN  $C^*$ –ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $X, Y$  be vector spaces, and let  $r$  be 2 or 4. It is shown that if an odd mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the functional equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d x_j}{r}\right) + \sum_{\substack{\iota(j)=0,1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^d \iota(j)=l}} rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d (-1)^{\iota(j)} x_j}{r}\right) \\
 (\ddagger) \qquad & = ({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1) \sum_{j=1}^d f(x_j)
 \end{aligned}$$

then the odd mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is additive, and we prove the Cauchy-Rassias stability of the functional equation  $(\ddagger)$  in Banach modules over a unital  $C^*$ -algebra. As an application, we show that every almost linear bijection  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  of a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  onto a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphism when  $h(2^n uy) = h(2^n u)h(y)$  for all unitaries  $u \in \mathcal{A}$ , all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

1. Introduction

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces with norms  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|$ , respectively. Consider  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  to be a mapping such that  $f(tx)$  is continuous in  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $x \in X$ . Assume that there exist constants  $\theta \geq 0$  and  $p \in [0, 1)$  such that

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \theta(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$

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for all  $x, y \in X$ . Rassias [5] showed that there exists a unique  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear mapping  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{2\theta}{2 - 2^p} \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Găvruta [1] generalized the Rassias' result: Let  $G$  be an abelian group and  $Y$  a Banach space. Denote by  $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a function such that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{-j} \varphi(2^j x, 2^j y) < \infty$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . Suppose that  $f : G \rightarrow Y$  is a mapping satisfying

$$\|f(x + y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $T : G \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x)$$

for all  $x \in G$ . C. Park [4] applied the Găvruta's result to linear functional equations in Banach modules over a  $C^*$ -algebra. Several functional equations have been investigated in [6]–[11].

Throughout this paper, assume that  $r$  is 2 or 4, and that  $d$  and  $l$  are integers with  $d > 1$  and  $1 < l < \frac{d}{2}$ .

In this paper, we solve the following functional equation

$$\begin{aligned} & rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d x_j}{r}\right) + \sum_{\substack{\iota(j)=0,1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^d \iota(j)=l}} rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d (-1)^{\iota(j)} x_j}{r}\right) \\ (1.i) \quad & = ({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1) \sum_{j=1}^d f(x_j). \end{aligned}$$

We moreover prove the Cauchy-Rassias stability of the functional equation (1.i) in Banach modules over a unital  $C^*$ -algebra. These results are applied to investigate  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphisms in unital  $C^*$ -algebras.

**2. An odd functional equation in  $d$  variables**

Throughout this section, assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are real linear spaces.

LEMMA 2.1. *If an odd mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  satisfies (1.i) for all  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d \in X$ , then  $f$  is additive.*

*Proof.* Note that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  since  $f$  is an odd mapping. Putting  $x_1 = x, x_2 = y$  and  $x_3 = \dots = x_d = 0$  in (1.i), we get

$$(2.1) \quad ({}_{d-2}C_l - {}_{d-2}C_{l-2} + 1)rf\left(\frac{x+y}{r}\right) = ({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1)(f(x) + f(y))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Since  ${}_{d-2}C_l - {}_{d-2}C_{l-2} + 1 = {}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1$ ,

$$rf\left(\frac{x+y}{r}\right) = f(x) + f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Letting  $y = 0$  in (2.1), we get  $rf\left(\frac{x}{r}\right) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Hence

$$f(x+y) = rf\left(\frac{x+y}{r}\right) = f(x) + f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Thus  $f$  is additive. □

**3. Stability of an odd functional equation in Banach modules over a  $C^*$ -algebra**

Throughout this section, assume that  $A$  is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra with norm  $|\cdot|$  and unitary group  $\mathcal{U}(A)$ , and that  $X$  and  $Y$  are left Banach modules over a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  with norms  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|$ , respectively.

Given a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , we set

$$D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d) := rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d ux_j}{r}\right) + \sum_{\substack{\iota^{(j)}=0,1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^d \iota^{(j)}=l}} rf\left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^d (-1)^{\iota^{(j)}} ux_j}{r}\right) - ({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1) \sum_{j=1}^d uf(x_j)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ .

THEOREM 3.1. Let  $r = 2$  and  $d > 4$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping for which there is a function  $\varphi : X^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$(3.i) \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, \dots, x_d) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \varphi(2^j x_1, \dots, 2^j x_d) < \infty,$$

$$(3.ii) \quad \|D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$(3.iii) \quad \|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{4^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  since  $f$  is an odd mapping. Let  $u = 1 \in \mathcal{U}(A)$ . Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x$  and  $x_5 = \dots = x_d = 0$  in (3.ii), we have

$$\|f(2x) - 2f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we get

$$\|f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(2x)\| \leq \frac{1}{4^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Hence

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{1}{2^n} f(2^n x) - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} f(2^{n+1} x) \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+2} (4^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1)} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n x, 2^n x, 2^n x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}}) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive integers  $n$ . By (3.1), we have

$$(3.2) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{2^m} f(2^m x) - \frac{1}{2^n} f(2^n x) \right\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=m}^{n-1} \frac{1}{2^{k+2}(_{d-4}C_l -_{d-4} C_{l-4} + 1)} \varphi(2^k x, 2^k x, 2^k x, 2^k x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$  and all positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  with  $m < n$ . This shows that the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^n} f(2^n x)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $Y$  is complete, the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{2^n} f(2^n x)\}$  converges for all  $x \in X$ . So we can define a mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  by

$$L(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} f(2^n x)$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , we have  $L(-x) = L(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Also, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_1 L(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \|D_1 f(2^n x_1, \dots, 2^n x_d)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \varphi(2^n x_1, \dots, 2^n x_d) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . So  $L$  is a generalized additive mapping. Putting  $m = 0$  and letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.2), we get (3.iii).

Now, let  $L' : X \rightarrow Y$  be another generalized additive mapping satisfying (3.iii). By Lemma 2.1,  $L$  and  $L'$  are additive. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|L(x) - L'(x)\| &= \frac{1}{2^n} \|L(2^n x) - L'(2^n x)\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^n} (\|L(2^n x) - f(2^n x)\| + \|L'(2^n x) - f(2^n x)\|) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{2^{n+2}(_{d-4}C_l -_{d-4} C_{l-4} + 1)} \tilde{\varphi}(2^n x, 2^n x, 2^n x, 2^n x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}}), \end{aligned}$$

which tends to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $x \in X$ . So we can conclude that  $L(x) = L'(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . This proves the uniqueness of  $L$ .

By the assumption, for each  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_u L(x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-1 \text{ times}})\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \|D_u f(2^n x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-1 \text{ times}})\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \varphi(2^n x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-1 \text{ times}}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So

$$2({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1)L\left(\frac{ux}{2}\right) = ({}_{d-1}C_l - {}_{d-1}C_{l-1} + 1)uL(x)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x \in X$ . Since  $L$  is additive,

$$(3.3) \quad L(ux) = 2L\left(\frac{ux}{2}\right) = uL(x)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x \in X$ .

Now let  $a \in A$  ( $a \neq 0$ ) and  $M$  an integer greater than  $4|a|$ . Then  $|\frac{a}{M}| < \frac{1}{4} < 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ . By [2, Theorem 1], there exist three elements  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  such that  $3\frac{a}{M} = u_1 + u_2 + u_3$ . So by (3.3)

$$\begin{aligned} L(ax) &= L\left(\frac{M}{3} \cdot 3\frac{a}{M}x\right) = M \cdot L\left(\frac{1}{3} \cdot 3\frac{a}{M}x\right) = \frac{M}{3}L\left(3\frac{a}{M}x\right) \\ &= \frac{M}{3}L(u_1x + u_2x + u_3x) = \frac{M}{3}(L(u_1x) + L(u_2x) + L(u_3x)) \\ &= \frac{M}{3}(u_1 + u_2 + u_3)L(x) = \frac{M}{3} \cdot 3\frac{a}{M}L(x) \\ &= aL(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a \in A$  and all  $x \in X$ . Hence

$$L(ax + by) = L(ax) + L(by) = aL(x) + bL(y)$$

for all  $a, b \in A$  ( $a, b \neq 0$ ) and all  $x, y \in X$ . And  $L(0x) = 0 = 0L(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . So the unique generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  is an  $A$ -linear mapping.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $\theta$  and  $p < 1$  be positive real numbers. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping such that*

$$\|D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{2\theta}{(2 - 2^p)({}_{d-4}C_l - {}_{d-4}C_{l-4} + 1)} \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$ , and apply Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.3.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping for which there is a function  $\varphi : X^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3.ii) such that*

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, \dots, x_d) := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^j \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^j}, \dots, \frac{x_d}{2^j}\right) < \infty$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{4^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  since  $f$  is an odd mapping. Let  $u = 1 \in \mathcal{U}(A)$ . Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x$  and  $x_5 = \dots = x_d = 0$  in (3.ii), we have

$$\|f(2x) - 2f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we get

$$\|f(x) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \varphi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}}\right)$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1. □

**COROLLARY 3.4.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $\theta$  and  $p > 1$  be positive real numbers. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping such that*

$$\|D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^d \theta \|x_j\|^p$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{2\theta}{(2^p - 2)^{(d-4)C_l - d-4} C_{l-4} + 1} \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$ , and apply Theorem 3.3. □

THEOREM 3.5. Let  $r = 4$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping for which there is a function  $\varphi : X^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3.ii) such that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, \dots, x_d) := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^j \varphi\left(\frac{x_1}{2^j}, \dots, \frac{x_d}{2^j}\right) < \infty$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{8(d-4)C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3}} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  since  $f$  is an odd mapping. Let  $u = 1 \in \mathcal{U}(A)$ . Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x$  and  $x_5 = \dots = x_d = 0$  in (3.ii), we have

$$\left\|f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}f(x)\right\| \leq \frac{1}{16(d-4)C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3}} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we get

$$\|f(x) - 2f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\| \leq \frac{1}{8(d-4)C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3}} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

COROLLARY 3.6. Let  $r = 4$ . Let  $\theta$  and  $p > 1$  be positive real numbers. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping such that

$$\|D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^d \theta \|x_j\|^p$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{\theta}{(2^p - 2)(d-4)C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3}} \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$ , and apply Theorem 3.5.  $\square$



**THEOREM 3.7.** *Let  $r = 4$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping for which there is a function  $\varphi : X^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (3.ii) such that*

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, \dots, x_d) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \varphi(2^j x_1, \dots, 2^j x_d) < \infty$$

for all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{8(d-4C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3})} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$  since  $f$  is an odd mapping. Let  $u = 1 \in \mathcal{U}(A)$ . Putting  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x$  and  $x_5 = \dots = x_d = 0$  in (3.ii), we have

$$\|f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{16(d-4C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3})} \varphi(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ . So we get

$$\|f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(2x)\| \leq \frac{1}{16(d-4C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3})} \varphi(2x, 2x, 2x, 2x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}})$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1. □

**COROLLARY 3.8.** *Let  $r = 4$ . Let  $\theta$  and  $p < 1$  be positive real numbers. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an odd mapping such that*

$$\|D_u f(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^d \theta \|x_j\|^p$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(A)$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in X$ . Then there exists a unique  $A$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $L : X \rightarrow Y$  such that

$$\|f(x) - L(x)\| \leq \frac{\theta}{(2 - 2^p)(d-4C_{l-1} - d-4 C_{l-3})} \|x\|^p$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$ , and apply Theorem 3.7. □

### 4. Isomorphisms in unital $C^*$ -algebras

Throughout this section, assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra with norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and unit  $e$ , and that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra with norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$  be the set of unitary elements in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

We are going to investigate  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphisms between unital  $C^*$ -algebras.

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be an odd bijective mapping satisfying  $h(2^n uy) = h(2^n u)h(y)$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ , all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , for which there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{A}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

$$(4.i) \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, \dots, x_d) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \varphi(2^j x_1, \dots, 2^j x_d) < \infty,$$

$$\|D_\mu h(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d),$$

$$(4.ii) \quad \|h(2^n u^*) - h(2^n u)^*\| \leq \varphi(\underbrace{2^n u, \dots, 2^n u}_{d \text{ times}})$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1 := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\lambda| = 1\}$ , all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in \mathcal{A}$ . Assume that (4.iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n e)$  is invertible. Then the odd bijective mapping  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphism.

*Proof.* Consider the  $C^*$ -algebras  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  as left Banach modules over the unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathbb{C}$ . By Theorem 3.1, there exists a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear generalized additive mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$(4.iv) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|h(x) - H(x)\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4(d-4C_l - d-4C_{l-4} + 1)} \tilde{\varphi}(x, x, x, x, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{d-4 \text{ times}}) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . The generalized additive mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is given by

$$H(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n x)$$

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

By (4.i) and (4.ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} H(u^*) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n u^*) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n u)^* \\ &= \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n u) \right)^* = H(u)^* \end{aligned}$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ . Since  $H$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear and each  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  is a finite linear combination of unitary elements (see [3, Theorem 4.1.7]), i.e.,  $x = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j u_j$  ( $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}, u_j \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} H(x^*) &= H\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \overline{\lambda_j} u_j^*\right) = \sum_{j=1}^m \overline{\lambda_j} H(u_j^*) = \sum_{j=1}^m \overline{\lambda_j} H(u_j)^* \\ &= \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j H(u_j)\right)^* = H\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j u_j\right)^* = H(x)^* \end{aligned}$$

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

Since  $h(2^n uy) = h(2^n u)h(y)$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ , all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ , and all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$(4.1) \quad H(uy) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n uy) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n u)h(y) = H(u)h(y)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$  and all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ . By the additivity of  $H$  and (4.1),

$$2^n H(uy) = H(2^n uy) = H(u(2^n y)) = H(u)h(2^n y)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$  and all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ . Hence

$$(4.2) \quad H(uy) = \frac{1}{2^n} H(u)h(2^n y) = H(u) \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n y)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$  and all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ . Taking the limit in (4.2) as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$(4.3) \quad H(uy) = H(u)H(y)$$

for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$  and all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ . Since  $H$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear and each  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  is a finite linear combination of unitary elements, i.e.,  $x = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j u_j$  ( $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}, u_j \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ ), it follows from (4.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} H(xy) &= H\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j u_j y\right) = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j H(u_j y) = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j H(u_j)H(y) \\ &= H\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j u_j\right)H(y) = H(x)H(y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ .

By (4.1) and (4.3),

$$H(e)H(y) = H(ey) = H(e)h(y)$$

for all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ . Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n e) = H(e)$  is invertible,

$$H(y) = h(y)$$

for all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Therefore, the odd bijective mapping  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphism, as desired.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 4.2.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $\theta$  and  $p < 1$  be positive real numbers. Let  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be an odd bijective mapping satisfying  $h(2^n uy) = h(2^n u)h(y)$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ , all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ , and all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_\mu h(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| &\leq \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p, \\ \|h(2^n u^*) - h(2^n u)^*\| &\leq d 2^{pn} \theta \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ , all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in \mathcal{A}$ . Assume that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n e)$  is invertible. Then the odd bijective mapping  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphism.

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \theta \sum_{j=1}^d \|x_j\|^p$ , and apply Theorem 4.1.  $\square$

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $r = 2$ . Let  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be an odd bijective mapping satisfying  $h(2^n uy) = h(2^n u)h(y)$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{A})$ , all  $y \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , for which there exists a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{A}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying (4.i), (4.ii), and (4.iii) such that*

$$(4.v) \quad \|D_\mu h(x_1, \dots, x_d)\| \leq \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_d)$$

for  $\mu = 1, i$ , and all  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $h(tx)$  is continuous in  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for each fixed  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ , then the odd bijective mapping  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra isomorphism.

*Proof.* Put  $\mu = 1$  in (4.v). By the same reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 4.1, there exists a unique generalized additive mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$

satisfying (4.iv). By the same reasoning as in the proof of [5, Theorem], the generalized additive mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear.

Put  $\mu = i$  in (4.v). By the same method as in the proof of Theorem 4.1, one can obtain that

$$H(ix) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} h(2^n ix) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{i}{2^n} h(2^n x) = iH(x)$$

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

For each element  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\lambda = s + it$ , where  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} H(\lambda x) &= H(sx + itx) = sH(x) + tH(ix) = sH(x) + itH(x) \\ &= (s + it)H(x) = \lambda H(x) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . So

$$H(\zeta x + \eta y) = H(\zeta x) + H(\eta y) = \zeta H(x) + \eta H(y)$$

for all  $\zeta, \eta \in \mathbb{C}$ , and all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ . Hence the generalized additive mapping  $H : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

The rest of the proof is the same as in the proof of Theorem 4.1.  $\square$

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