

## Fixed Point Methods in the Stability of the Cauchy Functional Equations

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**Abstract.** By using the fixed point methods, we prove some generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of homomorphisms for Cauchy and Cauchy-Jensen functional equations on the product algebras and on the triple systems.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In 1940, S. M. Ulam states a question concerning the stability of group homomorphisms. In fact, for a group  $G_1$  and a metric group  $G_2$  with metric  $d$  and for any given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , if there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for any function  $h : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  that satisfies the inequality

$$d(h(xy), h(x)h(y)) < \delta, \quad x, y \in G_1,$$

there exists a homomorphisms  $H : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  such that  $d(h(x), H(x)) < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in G_1$ ?

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Following this question, in [2], D. H. Hyers gave the first affirmative answer to the Ulam's question for linear mappings on Banach spaces. Then T. M. Rassias [14] and P. Găvruta [1] and some other researchers, generalized the Hyers's Theorem and gave some approaches of the stability of Ulam-Hyers-Rassias problem. See for instance [6], [12] and [13]. In 2003, Radu in [11] used the following fixed point Theorem for the proof of the stability of additive functional equation of Rassias [14]:

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete generalized metric space and let  $J : X \rightarrow X$  be a contraction map with a Lipschitz constant  $0 \leq L < 1$ . Then for each given element  $x \in X$ , either*

$$d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) = \infty$$

*for all nonnegative integers  $n$  or there exists a positive integer  $n_0$  such that*

- (1)  $d(J^n x, J^{n+1} x) < \infty$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ ,
- (2) the sequence  $\{J^n x\}$  converges to a fixed point  $x^*$  of  $J$ ,
- (3)  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of  $J$  in the set  $Y := \{y \in X \mid d(J^{n_0} x, y) < \infty\}$ ,
- (4)  $d(y, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(y, Jy)$  for all  $y \in Y$ .

*Following the Radu's paper, some authors interested the same method in the stability problems. For example, Park and Rassias in [10] and [8] used this method for solving the Cauchy and Cauchy-Jensen functional equations. Here, by using the Radu's method of fixed point, we first prove some extensions of the stability of Cauchy functional equations of [10] and then the stability of functional equations in triple systems.*

## 2. Stability of the Cauchy Functional Equations

In [10], the authors proved that for Banach algebras  $A$  and  $B$ , if  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a mapping for which there exists a function  $\varphi : A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  that satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-j} \varphi(2^j x, 2^j y) &= 0, \\
\|\mu f(x+y) - f(\mu x) - f(\mu y)\| &\leq \varphi(x, y), \\
\|f(xy) - f(x)f(y)\| &\leq \varphi(x, y), \\
\varphi(2x, 2x) &\leq 2L\varphi(x, x),
\end{aligned}$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and for all scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1 and all  $x, y \in A$ ; then there exists a unique homomorphism  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,  $\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2-2L} \varphi(x, x)$ . That is,  $H$  is a solution of the Cauchy functional equation

$$\mu f(x+y) - f(\mu x) - f(\mu y) = 0,$$

that satisfies the homomorphism equation  $f(xy) - f(x)f(y) = 0$ . Here, we will obtain some refinement of it on the product algebras.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be an additive group and  $F$  be a Banach space. If  $f : G \times G \rightarrow F$  and  $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are mappings such that for all  $a, b, c \in G$  the following conditions hold:*

$$\|f((a, b) + (c, d)) - f(a, b) - f(c, d)\| \leq \varphi(a+c, b+d), \quad (1)$$

$$\|f(a, b) - f(b, a)\| \leq \varphi(a, b),$$

$$\varphi(2a, 2b) \leq 2L\varphi(a, b), \quad (2)$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$ , then the map

$$T : G \times G \rightarrow F, \quad T(a, b) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n a, 2^n b), \quad a, b \in G,$$

is the unique additive map such that for all  $a, b \in G$ ,

$$\|f(a, b) - T(a, b)\| \leq \frac{L}{1-L} \varphi(a, b),$$

$$T(a, b) = T(b, a).$$

**Proof.** Consider  $X$  as the set of all functions  $g : G \times G \longrightarrow F$  and define a generalized metric  $d$  on  $X$  by

$$d(g, h) := \inf\{c \in [0, \infty] : \|g(a, b) - h(a, b)\| \leq c\varphi(a, b), \text{ for all } a, b \in G\}.$$

Then, in fact,  $d$  is a complete generalized metric on  $X$ . Now define  $J : X \longrightarrow X$  by  $Jg(a, b) := \frac{1}{2}g(2a, 2b)$ . since

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{1}{2}g(2a, 2b) - \frac{1}{2}h(2a, 2b) \right\| &\leq \frac{1}{2}d(g, h)\varphi(2a, 2b) \\ &\leq Ld(g, h)\varphi(a, b), \end{aligned}$$

and by (1),

$$\|f(2a, 2b) - 2f(a, b)\| \leq \varphi(2a, 2b) \leq 2L\varphi(a, b),$$

for all  $g, h \in X$  and all  $a, b \in G$ ;  $J$  is a contraction with constant at most  $L$ , such that  $d(f, Jf) \leq L$  and so by Theorem 1.1,  $J$  has a unique fixed point function  $T$  in  $Y = \{g \in X : d(f, g) < \infty\}$ . Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} d(f, T) &\leq \frac{1}{1-L}d(f, Jf) \leq \frac{L}{1-L}, \\ T(a, b) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n}f(2^n a, 2^n b), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a, b \in G$ . So for all  $a, b \in G$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(a, b) - T(b, a)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \|f(2^n a, 2^n b) - f(2^n b, 2^n a)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n a, 2^n b) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality holds by (2). This shows that  $T(a, b) = T(b, a)$ , for all  $a, b \in G$ .

For the proof of additivity of  $T$ , it is sufficient to note that

$$\begin{aligned} &\|T((a, b) + (c, d)) - T(a, b) - T(c, d)\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \|f((2^n a, 2^n b) + (2^n c, 2^n d)) \\ &\quad - f(2^n a, 2^n b) - f(2^n c, 2^n d)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n(a + c), 2^n(b + d)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we will prove that  $T$  is unique. If  $H$  is an additive function on  $G \times G$ , such that

$$\|f(a, b) - H(a, b)\| \leq \frac{L}{1-L} \varphi(a, b),$$

for all  $a, b \in G$ , then  $d(f, H) \leq \frac{L}{1-L} < \infty$  and so  $H \in Y$ . On the other hands,

$$JH(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}H(2a, 2b) = H(a, b).$$

This shows that  $H$  is a fixed point of  $J$  in  $Y$  and so  $H = T$ , thanks to the uniqueness of fixed point of  $J$  in  $Y$ .  $\square$

As a corollary, we have the following refinement of Theorem 2.1 of [10].

**Theorem 2.2.** *Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are two algebras such that  $B$  is also a Banach space. If  $f : A \times A \rightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are two mappings that satisfy the following conditions:*

$$\|\mu f((a, b) + (c, d)) - f(\mu a, \mu b) - f(\mu c, \mu d)\| \leq \varphi(a + c, b + d), \quad (3)$$

$$\|f(a, b) - f(b, a)\| \leq \varphi(a, b),$$

$$\|f((ac, bd)) - f(a, b)f(c, d)\| \leq \varphi(ac, bd), \quad (4)$$

$$\varphi(2a, 2b) \leq 2L\varphi(a, b). \quad (5)$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and all  $a, b, c, d \in A$  and all scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1, then there exists a unique algebraic homomorphism  $H : A \times A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $a, b \in A$ ,

$$\|f(a, b) - H(a, b)\| \leq \frac{L}{1-L} \varphi(a, b), \quad (6)$$

$$H(a, b) = H(b, a).$$

**Proof.** By Theorem 2.1, the additive function  $H : A \times A \rightarrow B$  defined by

$$H(a, b) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n a, 2^n b), \quad a, b \in A,$$

is the unique additive map satisfying the above conditions (6). We only need to prove that it is an algebraic homomorphism. By hypothesis (3), one has

$$\|\mu f(2^{n+1}a, 2^{n+1}b) - 2f(2^n \mu a, 2^n \mu b)\| \leq \varphi(2^{n+1}a, 2^{n+1}b),$$

and

$$\|f(2^{n+1}\mu a, 2^{n+1}\mu b) - 2f(2^n \mu a, 2^n \mu b)\| \leq \varphi(2^{n+1}\mu a, 2^{n+1}\mu b).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu H(2a, 2b) - H(2\mu a, 2\mu b)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \|\mu f(2^{n+1}a, 2^{n+1}b) - f(2^{n+1}\mu a, 2^{n+1}\mu b)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} (\|\mu f(2^{n+1}a, 2^{n+1}b) - 2f(2^n \mu a, 2^n \mu b)\| \\ &\quad + \|f(2^{n+1}\mu a, 2^{n+1}\mu b) - 2f(2^n \mu a, 2^n \mu b)\|) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^{n+1}a, 2^{n+1}b) \\ &\quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^{n+1}\mu a, 2^{n+1}\mu b) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality holds by (5). So  $H(2\mu a, 2\mu b) = \mu H(2a, 2b)$ . Since  $H(2a, 2b) = 2H(a, b)$ , for all  $a, b \in A$ , we have

$$H(\mu a, \mu b) = \mu H(a, b),$$

for all  $a, b \in A$  and all scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1.

Now, for the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linearity of  $H$ , assume that  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an arbitrary non zero scalar and  $M$  is an integer greater than  $4|\lambda|$ . Then  $|\frac{\lambda}{M}| < \frac{1}{4} < 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$  and so by Theorem 1 of [3], there are three scalars  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3$  with absolute value 1 such that  $3\frac{\lambda}{M} = \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3$ .

Also, for all  $x \in A \times A$ , by additivity of  $H$ , we have

$$H(x) = H(3\frac{1}{3}x) = 3H(\frac{1}{3}x).$$

So,  $H(\frac{1}{3}x) = \frac{1}{3}H(x)$ , for all  $x \in A \times A$ , and then

$$\begin{aligned}
H(\lambda x) &= H\left(\frac{M}{3}3\frac{\lambda}{M}x\right) = \frac{M}{3}H\left(3\frac{\lambda}{M}x\right) \\
&= \frac{M}{3}H(\mu_1x + \mu_2x + \mu_3x) = \frac{M}{3}(H(\mu_1x) + H(\mu_2x) + H(\mu_3x)) \\
&= \frac{M}{3}(\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3)H(x) = \lambda H(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, the following assertion shows that  $H$  is an algebraic homomorphism. In fact, for each  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$  in  $A \times A$  the relation (4) guaranties that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\|H((a, b)(c, d)) - H(a, b)H(c, d)\| \\
&= \\
&\| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n ac, 2^n bd) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^{-n} f(2^n a, 2^n b) f(2^n c, 2^n d) \| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^{-n} \|f(4^n ac, 4^n bd) - f(2^n a, 2^n b) f(2^n c, 2^n d)\| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^{-n} \varphi(4^n ac, 4^n bd) = 0. \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

The final Theorem of this section solves the additive functional equation, for groups.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $G$  be an additive group and  $E$  be a Banach space. If  $f : G \rightarrow E$  and  $\varphi : G \times G \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are mappings that satisfy the conditions*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) = 0 \quad , \quad \sup_{x \in G} \varphi(x, x) < \infty,$$

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

then there exists an unique additive function  $T : G \rightarrow E$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in G} \|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \sup_{x \in G} \varphi(x, x).$$

**Proof.** Suppose that  $X$  is the set of all functions  $g : G \rightarrow E$  and define a complete generalized metric  $d$  on  $X$  by

$$d(g, h) = \sup_{x \in G} \|g(x) - h(x)\|.$$

If we define the mapping  $J : X \longrightarrow X$  via  $Jg(x) = \frac{1}{2}g(2x)$ , then a straightforward computation shows that  $J$  is a contraction with Lipschitz constant  $L$  at most  $\frac{1}{2}$  such that

$$d(f, Jf) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sup_{x \in G} \varphi(x, x) < \infty.$$

So by generalized Banach's contraction Theorem 1.1,  $J$  has a fixed point map  $T : G \longrightarrow E$  that satisfies the conditions 1-4 of that theorem. Since by hypothesis,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x+y) - T(x) - T(y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \|f(2^n x, 2^n y) - f(2^n x) - f(2^n y)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

the function  $T$  is additive. Also by Theorem 1.1,

$$\begin{aligned} d(f, T) &\leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, Jf) \\ &\leq 2d(f, Jf) \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in G} \varphi(x, x). \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

The uniqueness of the additive function  $T$  satisfying the above condition (7), is completely similar to the uniqueness part of Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

### 3. Cauchy Functional Equations in Triple Systems

A triple system is a vector space  $V$  together with a trilinear mapping  $V \times V \times V \longrightarrow V$ , called a triple product, and usually denoted by  $\{., ., .\}$ . A triple system  $V$  is called continuous if its triple product  $\{., ., .\}$  is separately continuous, and is called  $*$ -triple system, if  $V$  admits an involution  $*$ . The most important examples of triple systems are Lie triple systems and Jordan triple systems (see for instance, [4] and [7]).

Also every  $JB^*$ -triple is an  $*$ -triple system [7]. We remember that a complex Banach space  $J$  with a continuous triple product  $\{., ., .\}$  on  $J$  is a  $JB^*$ -triple, if it is bilinear and symmetric in the outer variables and conjugate linear in the middle variable, and satisfy the following conditions:

- (1)  $L(a, b)\{x, y, z\} = \{L(a, b)x, y, z\} - \{x, L(a, b)y, z\} + \{x, y, L(a, b)z\}$ ,  
for all  $a, b, x, y, z \in J$ ; where the operator  $L(a, b) : J \longrightarrow J$  is defined by  $L(a, b)(x) = \{a, b, x\}$ ,
- (2) The operator  $L(a, b) : J \longrightarrow J$  is an hermitian operator with non-negative spectrum,
- (3)  $\|\{x, x, x\}\| = \|a\|^3$  for all  $a \in J$ .

In [7], the author proved the following Theorem 3.1, which solved the Cauchy functional equation in  $JB^*$ -triples. Here, by using the familiar generalized Banach's contraction Theorem, we improve Theorem 1 of [3] and we give another proof for it.

We note that, as usual, a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $H : A \longrightarrow B$  between two triple systems  $A$  and  $B$  is called triple homomorphism if it satisfies the following condition

$$H\{x, y, z\} = \{H(x), H(y), H(z)\},$$

for all  $x, y, z \in A$ . We need this definition in the rest of this article.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Suppose that  $A$  is a normed space and  $B$  is a Banach space and  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \times A \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$  are mappings such that  $f(0) = 0$  and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) = 0,$$

$$\varphi(3x, 3x, 3x) \leq 3L\varphi(x, x, x),$$

$$\|f(\mu x + \mu y + \mu z) - \mu f(x) - \mu f(y) - \mu f(z)\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z), \quad (8)$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and all  $x, y, z \in A$  and for scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1. Then there exists a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{3-3L} \varphi(x, x, x),$$

for all  $x \in A$ . If furthermore,  $A$  and  $B$  are  $*$ -triple systems such that  $B$  is continuous and the following conditions hold:

$$\|f(x^*) - f(x)^*\| \leq \varphi(x, x, x), \quad (9)$$

$$\|f\{x, y^*, z\} - \{f(x), f(y^*), f(z)\}\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z), \quad (10)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in A$ , then the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $H$  is an  $*$ -homomorphism and triple homomorphism.

**Proof.** Define the complete generalized metric

$$d(g, h) = \inf\{c \in [0, \infty] : \|g(x) - h(x)\| \leq c\varphi(x, x, x), \text{ for all } x \in A\}$$

on the space  $X$  consisting of all functions  $g : A \rightarrow B$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{1}{3}g(3x) - \frac{1}{3}h(3x) \right\| &\leq \frac{1}{3}d(g, h)\varphi(3x, 3x, 3x) \\ &\leq Ld(g, h)\varphi(x, x, x), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in A$ ; the mapping

$$J : X \rightarrow X, \quad Jg(x) = \frac{1}{3}g(3x),$$

for  $g \in X$  and  $x \in A$ , is a contraction with Lipschitz constant at most  $L$  and so has a unique fixed point map  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x), \\ d(f, H) &\leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, Jf). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(0) = 0$ , by substituting  $z = 0$ ,  $\mu = 1$  and replacing  $3^n x$  and  $3^n y$  instead of  $x$  and  $y$  respectively, in (8), one has

$$\begin{aligned} \|H(x+y) - H(x) - H(y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} \|f(3^n(x+y)) \\ &\quad - f(3^n x) - f(3^n y)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 0) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

So  $H$  is additive. On the other hands, similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2, one can obtains that  $H(\mu x) = \mu H(x)$ , for all scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1 and all  $x \in A$ . This is a critical point for the proof of  $\mathbb{C}$ -linearity of  $H$ , as shown in the proof of Theorem 2.2. Also, by (8),

$$\|\frac{1}{3}f(3x) - f(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{3}\varphi(x, x, x),$$

and so

$$d(f, Jf) \leq \frac{1}{3}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - H(x)\| &\leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, Jf) \varphi(x, x, x) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3-3L} \varphi(x, x, x). \end{aligned}$$

This finishes the proof of the first part of the theorem. If furthermore,  $A$  and  $B$  are  $*$ -triple systems that satisfy the conditions (9) and (10), then for each  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} H(x^*) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x^*) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x)^* \\ &= \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x) \right)^* = H(x)^*, \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality holds by (9). Also

$$\begin{aligned}
\|H\{x, y^*, z\} &- \{H(x), H(y^*), H(z)\}\| \\
&= \left\| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-3n} f\{3^n x, 3^n y^*, 3^n z\} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n x), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n y^*), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-n} f(3^n z) \right\} \right\| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-3n} \|f\{3^n x, 3^n y^*, 3^n z\} - \{f(3^n x), f(3^n y^*), f(3^n z)\}\| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3^{-3n} \varphi(3^n x, 3^n y, 3^n z) \\
&= 0,
\end{aligned}$$

where the second equality holds by continuity of  $B$  and the third equality holds by the condition (10). This finishes the proof of the second part of the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are triple systems such that  $B$  is continuous and  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are mappings such that  $f(0) = 0$  and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \varphi(2^{-n} x, 2^{-n} y, 2^{-n} z) = 0,$$

$$\|f\left(\frac{\mu x + \mu y}{2} + \mu z\right) + f\left(\frac{\mu x + \mu z}{2} + \mu y\right) + f\left(\frac{\mu y + \mu z}{2} + \mu x\right)$$

$$- 2\mu(f(x) + f(y) + f(z))\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z), \quad (11)$$

$$\|f\{x, y, z\} - \{f(x), f(y), f(z)\}\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z), \quad (12)$$

$$\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2}, 0, 0\right) \leq \frac{L}{2} \varphi(x, 0, 0),$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$ . Then there exists a unique triple homomorphism  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{1-L} \varphi(x, 0, 0).$$

**Proof.** Define the complete generalized metric  $d$  on  $X$  consisting of all functions  $g : A \rightarrow B$ , by

$$d(g, h) = \inf\{c \in [0, \infty] : \|g(x) - h(x)\| \leq c\varphi(x, 0, 0), \text{ for all } x \in A\},$$

and consider the mapping  $J : X \rightarrow X$  via  $Jg(x) = 2g(\frac{x}{2})$ . Letting  $\mu = 1$  and  $y = z = 0$  in (11), we get

$$\|2f(\frac{x}{2}) - f(x)\| \leq \varphi(x, 0, 0),$$

for all  $x \in A$ . Hence  $d(f, Jf) \leq 1$ . Since  $J$  is a contraction map with Lipschitz constant at most  $L$  and  $d(f, Jf) \leq 1$ , by Theorem 1.1 there exists a mapping  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f(\frac{x}{2^n}), \\ \|f(x) - H(x)\| &\leq \frac{1}{1-L} \varphi(x, 0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

It is enough to prove that  $H$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear and triple homomorphism. Since, by (11),

$$\begin{aligned} &\|H(\frac{\mu x + \mu y}{2} + \mu z) + H(\frac{\mu x + \mu z}{2} + \mu y) + H(\frac{\mu y + \mu z}{2} + \mu x) \\ &\quad - 2\mu(H(x) + H(y) + H(z))\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n \varphi(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y, 2^{-n}z) = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

by substituting  $\mu = 1$  and  $y = z = 0$  in (13) we have

$$H(\frac{x}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}H(x),$$

for all  $x \in A$ . So, if in (13), we set  $\mu = 1$ ,  $y = -x$  and  $z = 0$ , we obtain that  $H(-x) = -H(x)$ , for all  $x \in A$ .

Now, if in (13) we set  $\mu = 1$ ,  $z = -y$  and then we replace  $x$  and  $y$  by  $x + y$  and  $x - y$  respectively, we obtain that

$$H(x + y) = H(x) + H(y),$$

i.e.,  $H$  is additive. This allows that one can repeat the technique of Theorem 2.2 and conclude that  $H$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear. Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
\| H\{x, y, z\} - \{H(x), H(y), H(z)\} \| &= \left\| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n f\{2^{-n}x, y2^{-n}, 2^{-n}z\} \right. \\
&- \left. \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f(2^{-n}x), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f(2^{-n}y), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n f(2^{-n}z) \right\} \right\| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \| f\{2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y, 2^{-n}z\} \\
&- \{f(2^{-n}x), f(2^{-n}y), f(2^{-n}z)\} \| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^n \varphi(2^{-n}x, 2^{-n}y, 2^{-n}z) \\
&= 0,
\end{aligned}$$

where the second equality holds by continuity of  $B$  and the last inequality holds by (12).  $\square$

By the same method one can prove the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.3.** *Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are triple systems such that  $B$  is continuous and  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are mappings satisfying (11) and (12) such that*

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y, 2^n z) &= 0, \\
\varphi(2x, 0, 0) &\leq 2L\varphi(x, 0, 0),
\end{aligned}$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$ . Then there exists an unique triple homomorphism  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\| f(x) - H(x) \| \leq \frac{L}{1-L} \varphi(x, 0, 0).$$

**Proof.** It is sufficient in the proof of the previous theorem, one defines  $Jg(x) = \frac{1}{2}g(2x)$   $\square$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are triple systems such that  $B$  is continuous. If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are two mappings that satisfy the following conditions:*

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-j} \varphi(2^j x, 2^j y) = 0,$$

$$\|\mu f(x+y) - f(\mu x) - f(\mu y)\| \leq \varphi(x, y), \quad (14)$$

$$f(2^n\{x, y, z\}) = \{f(2^n x), f(2^n y), f(2^n z)\}, \quad (15)$$

$$\varphi(x, x) \leq 2L\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right),$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$ , all  $\mu$  with absolute value 1 and all  $x, y \in A$ , then there exists an unique triple homomorphism  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2-2L}\varphi(x, x). \quad (16)$$

**Proof.** The proof of the first part of this theorem is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1 of [10]. In fact, the generalized (complete) metric

$$d(g, h) = \inf\{c \in [0, \infty] : \|g(x) - h(x)\| \leq c\varphi(x, x), \text{ for all } x \in A\},$$

on the space  $X$  consisting of all functions  $g : A \rightarrow B$ , allow us to define the contraction map  $J : X \rightarrow X$  via  $Jg(x) = \frac{1}{2}g(2x)$ , for all  $x \in A$ . By Theorem 1.1,  $J$  has a fixed point function  $H \in X$  that satisfies the conditions 1-4 of that theorem. Furthermore

$$H(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n}f(2^n x),$$

for all  $x \in A$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \|H(x+y) - H(x) - H(y)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n}\|f(2^n(x+y)) \\ &\quad - f(2^n x) - f(2^n y)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n}\varphi(2^n x, 2^n y) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in A$ ; that is,  $H$  is additive. In particular,

$$H(2x) = 2H(x), \quad (17)$$

for all  $x \in A$ . Now, by (14),

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu H(2x) - H(2\mu x)\| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \|\mu f(2^{n+1}x) - f(2^{n+1}\mu x)\| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n x) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu H(2x) = H(2\mu x)$  and so by (17),  $\mu H(x) = H(\mu x)$ , for all  $x \in A$  and all  $\mu$  with absolute value 1. This implies that  $H$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear. For the proof of (16), letting  $\mu = 1$  and  $y = x$  in (14), we get

$$\|f(2x) - 2f(x)\| \leq \varphi(x, x),$$

and so

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

for all  $x \in A$ . Hence  $d(f, Jf) \leq \frac{1}{2}$  and so

$$d(f, H) \leq \frac{1}{1-L} d(f, Jf) \leq \frac{1}{2-2L}.$$

This proves that the inequality (16) is satisfied. By a similar method to the proof of Theorem 2.1, one can see the uniqueness of  $H$ . Also, it follows from (15) that

$$\begin{aligned} H\{x, y, z\} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n \{x, y, z\}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \{f(2^n x), f(y), f(z)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{2^{-n} f(2^n x), f(y), f(z)\} \\ &= \{H(x), f(y), f(z)\}, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$  and so by linearity of  $H$  and trilinearity of the product on the triple systems  $A$  and  $B$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} H\{x, y, z\} &= 4^{-n} H\{x, 2^n y, 2^n z\} \\ &= 4^{-n} \{H(x), f(2^n y), f(2^n z)\} \\ &= \{H(x), 2^{-n} f(2^n y), 2^{-n} f(2^n z)\}, \end{aligned}$$

for all positive integer  $n$  and all  $x, y, z \in A$ . This implies the equality

$$\begin{aligned} H\{x, y, z\} &= \{H(x), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n y), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n z)\} \\ &= \{H(x), H(y), H(z)\}, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in A$ . Thus,  $H : A \rightarrow B$  is a triple homomorphism satisfying (16), as desired.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are triple systems such that  $B$  is continuous. If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\varphi : A \times A \times A \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  are two mappings such that satisfy the following conditions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y, 2^n z) &= 0, \\ \|\mu f(x + y) - f(\mu x) - f(\mu y)\| &\leq \varphi(x, y, 0), \end{aligned}$$

$$\|f\{x, y, z\} - \{f(x), f(y), f(z)\}\| \leq \varphi(x, y, z), \quad (18)$$

$$\varphi(x, x, x) \leq 2L\varphi\left(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{2}\right),$$

for some  $0 \leq L < 1$  and for all scalar  $\mu$  with absolute value 1 and all  $x, y, z \in A$ ; then there exists an unique triple homomorphism  $H : A \rightarrow B$  such that for all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2 - 2L} \varphi(x, x, 0).$$

**Proof.** By a similar method of the proof of Theorem 3.4, one can show that there exists an unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $H : A \rightarrow B$  via  $H(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} f(2^n x)$  such that

$$\|f(x) - H(x)\| \leq \frac{1}{2 - 2L} \varphi(x, x, 0).$$

for all  $x \in A$ . It follows from (18) that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|H\{x, y, z\} - \{H(x), H(y), H(z)\}\| \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^{-n} \|f\{2^n x, 2^n y, 2^n z\} - \{f(2^n x), f(2^n y), f(2^n z)\}\| \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y, 2^n z) \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-n} \varphi(2^n x, 2^n y, 2^n z) = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in A$  and so  $H : A \rightarrow B$  is a triple homomorphism.  $\square$

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