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Approximation of derivations and the superstability in random Banach *-algebras

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Abstract

We prove that approximations of derivations on random Banach *-algebras are exactly derivations by using a fixed point method. Furthermore, we show that approximations of quadratic *-derivations on random Banach *-algebras are exactly quadratic *-derivations. We, moreover, prove that approximations of derivations on random C*-ternary algebras are exactly derivations by using a fixed point method.

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1 Introduction

Ulam [1] presented an effective lecture at the University of Wisconsin in which he stated a number of essential unsolved problems, in the fall of 1940. The next question concerning the stability of homomorphisms was among those:

Assume that Ω_1 is a group and suppose that Ω_2 is a metric group with a metric $\Delta(\cdot, \cdot)$. Let $\xi > 0$, is there $\eta > 0$ such that if a function $\varphi : \Omega_1 \to \Omega_2$ satisfies the inequality $\Delta(\varphi(uv), \varphi(u)\varphi(v)) < \eta$ for all $u, v \in \Omega_1$ then there is a homomorphism $\Phi : \Omega_1 \to \Omega_2$ with $\Delta(\varphi(u), \Phi(u)) < \xi$ for all $u \in \Omega_1$?

When the answer is established, the functional equation for homomorphisms is stable.

The first mathematician who presented the result concerning the stability of functional equations was Hyers [2]. He intelligently answered Ulam's question when Ω_1 and Ω_2 are Banach spaces. Recently, Rassias [3] and others have obtained important results on stability and applied them to the investigations in the nonlinear sciences.

2 Preliminaries

Assume that Δ^+ is the family of distribution functions, i.e., the family of all left-continuous functions $G : [-\infty, \infty] \to [0, 1]$ such that G is increasing on $[-\infty, \infty]$, G(0) = 0 and $G(+\infty) = 1$. $D^+ \subseteq \Delta^+$ contains each function $G \in \Delta^+$ for which $\ell^-G(+\infty) = 1$ and $\ell^-g(x)$ is the left limit of the map g at x, i.e., $\ell^-g(x) = \lim_{t\to x^-} g(t)$. In Δ^+ , we have $H \leq F$ if and only if $H(s) \leq F(s)$ for all s in \mathbb{R} (partially ordered). Note that the function ε_{μ} defined by

$$\varepsilon_u(s) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } s \le u, \\ 1, & \text{if } s > u, \end{cases}$$



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is an element of Δ^+ and ε_0 is the maximal element in this space. For more details see [4–6].

Definition 2.1 ([6]) Let I = [0, 1]. A continuous triangular norm (briefly, *ct*-norm) is a function *T* from *I* to *I* with continuity property such that:

- (a) $T(\theta, \vartheta) = T(\vartheta, \theta)$ and $T(\theta, T(\vartheta, \iota)) = T(T(\theta, \vartheta), \iota)$ for all $\theta, \vartheta, \iota \in I$;
- (b) $T(\theta, 1) = \theta$ for $0 \le \theta \le 1$;
- (c) $T(\theta, \vartheta) \leq T(\iota, \kappa)$ whenever $\theta \leq \iota$ and $\vartheta \leq \kappa$ for each $\theta, \vartheta, \iota, \kappa \in I$.

 $T_P(\theta, \vartheta) = \theta \vartheta$, $T_M(\theta, \vartheta) = \min(\theta, \vartheta)$ and $T_L(\theta, \vartheta) = \max(\theta + \vartheta - 1, 0)$ (the Lukasiewicz *t*-norm) are some examples of *t*-norms. Also, we define $\prod_{i=1}^{n} \theta_i = T^{n-1}(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n)$.

Definition 2.2 ([6]) Suppose that *T* is a *ct*-norm, *V* is a vector space and let μ be a map from *V* to *D*⁺. In this case, the ordered triple (*V*, μ , *T*) with the properties

(RN1) $\mu_{\nu}(\theta) = \varepsilon_0(\theta)$ for all $\theta > 0$ if and only if $\nu = 0$;

- (RN2) $\mu_{\alpha\nu}(\theta) = \mu_{\nu}(\frac{\theta}{|\alpha|})$ for all $\nu \in V$, $\alpha \neq 0$;
- (RN3) $\mu_{u+v}(\theta + \vartheta) \ge T(\mu_u(\theta), \mu_v(\vartheta))$ for all $u, v \in V$ and all $\theta, \vartheta \ge 0$,

is said to be a random normed space (in short, RN-space).

Let $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ be a linear normed space. Then

$$\mu_{\nu}(\vartheta) = \frac{\vartheta}{\vartheta + \|\nu\|}$$

for all $\vartheta > 0$, defines a random norm, and the ordered triple (V, μ, T_M) is an RN-space.

Definition 2.3 Assume that the following algebraic structure on an RN-space (V, μ, T) holds:

(RN-4) $\mu_{uv}(\theta \vartheta) \ge T'(\mu_u(\theta), \mu_v(\vartheta))$ for each $u, v \in V$ and all $\theta, \vartheta > 0$, where T' is a *ct*-norm.

Then (V, μ, T, T') is called a *random normed algebra*.

Suppose that $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed algebra. Then (V, μ, T_M, T_P) is a random normed algebra, where

$$\mu_{\nu}(\vartheta) = \frac{\vartheta}{\vartheta + \|\nu\|}$$

for all $\vartheta > 0$ if and only if

 $\|uv\| \le \|v\| \|u\| + \theta \|u\| + \vartheta \|v\| \quad (v, u \in V; \theta, \vartheta > 0).$

For more details, see [7-22].

Definition 2.4 A random Banach *-algebra \mathcal{B} is a random complex Banach algebra $(\mathcal{B}, \mu, T, T')$, together with an involution on \mathcal{B} which is a mapping $g \mapsto g^*$ from \mathcal{B} into \mathcal{B} that satisfies

(i)
$$g^{**} = g$$
 for $g \in \mathcal{B}$;

(ii) $(ag + bh)^* = \overline{a}g^* + \overline{b}h^*$; (iii) $(gh)^* = h^*g^*$ for $g, h \in \mathcal{B}$. If, in addition, $\mu_{g^*g}(\theta \vartheta) = T'(\mu_g(\theta), \mu_g(\vartheta))$ for $g \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\theta, \vartheta > 0$, then \mathcal{B} is called a random C^* -algebra.

Assume that \mathcal{B} is a random Banach *-algebra. A *derivation* on \mathcal{B} is a mapping δ from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{B} such that:

$$\delta(\lambda g + h) = \lambda \delta(g) + \delta(h), \tag{2.1}$$

$$\delta(gh) = \delta(g)h + g\delta(h) \tag{2.2}$$

for all $g, h \in \mathcal{B}$ and all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. A derivation δ is called a *-derivation on \mathcal{B} if $\delta(g^*) = \delta(g)^*$ for all $g \in \mathcal{B}$ (see [23]).

Recall that

$$\omega(u+v) = \omega(u) + \omega(v), \tag{2.3}$$

$$\omega(u+\nu) + \omega(u-\nu) = 2\omega(u) + 2\omega(\nu), \qquad (2.4)$$

respectively, are Cauchy additive and Cauchy quadratic functional equations.

Firstly, Baker, Lawrence and Zorzitto [24] defined the concept of superstability. Let $(\mathcal{B}, \mu, T, T')$ be an RN algebra. The random norm is multiplicative if $\mu_{uv}(\theta \vartheta) = T'(\mu_u(\theta), \mu_v(\vartheta))$ for all $u, v \in \mathcal{B}$ and all $\theta, \vartheta > 0$.

Suppose that $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$. A function $\Delta : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to [0, \infty]$ is a *generalized metric* (GM) on Γ if

- (1) $\Delta(\rho, \varrho) = 0$ if and only if $\rho = \varrho$;
- (2) $\Delta(\rho, \varrho) = \Delta(\varrho, \rho)$ for all $\rho, \varrho \in \Gamma$;
- (3) $\Delta(\rho, \varrho) \leq \Delta(\rho, \sigma) + \Delta(\sigma, \varrho)$ for all $\rho, \varrho, \sigma \in \Gamma$.

Theorem 2.1 ([25, 26]) Suppose that (Γ, Δ) is a complete GM space and assume that the selfmapping Υ on Γ with Lipschitz constant 0 < L < 1 is strictly contractive. Then, for $\varrho \in \Gamma$, either

$$\Delta\bigl(\Upsilon^n\varrho,\Upsilon^{n+1}\varrho\bigr)=\infty$$

for each $0 \le n \in \mathbb{Z}$, or there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

- (1) $\Delta(\Upsilon^n \varrho, \Upsilon^{n+1} \varrho) < \infty, \forall n \ge n_0;$
- (2) the sequence $\{\Upsilon^n \varrho\}$ tends to σ^* in Γ ;
- (3) $\Upsilon(\sigma^*) = \sigma^*$;
- (4) $\Upsilon(\sigma^*) = \sigma^*$ and is unique in $\mathbb{E} = \{\sigma \in \Gamma | \Delta(\Upsilon^{n_0}\varrho, \sigma) < \infty\}$
- (5) $(1-L)\Delta(\sigma,\sigma^*) \leq \Delta(\sigma,\Upsilon\sigma)$ for all $\sigma \in \Gamma$.

3 Approximation of derivations on random Banach *-algebras

Assume that a random *-Banach algebra \mathcal{B} has unit *e*. Our results improve and expand the result presented by Jang [27].

Theorem 3.1 Let $\psi_1 : \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} \to D^+$ and $\psi_2 : \mathcal{B} \to D^+$ be distribution functions. Assume that $f : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ is a mapping such that

$$\mu_{f(\xi p+q)-\xi f(p)-f(q)}(t) \ge \psi_1(p,q,t), \tag{3.1}$$

$$\mu_{f(pq)-pf(q)-f(p)q}(t) \ge \psi_1(p,q,t), \tag{3.2}$$

$$\mu_{f(p^*)-f(p)^*}(t) \ge \psi_2(p,t),\tag{3.3}$$

for all $\xi \in \mathbb{T}$, $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. If there exist $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and 0 < L < 1 such that $\psi_1(sp, sq, Lst) > \psi_1(p, q, t)$, $\psi_1(p, q, Lst) > \psi_1(p, q, t)$, $\psi_1(p, q, Lst) > \psi_1(p, q, t)$ and $\psi_2(sp, Lst) > \psi_2(p, t)$ for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Then f on \mathcal{B} is a *-derivation.

Proof Putting p = q and $\xi = 1$ in (3.1), we get

$$\mu_{f(2p)-2f(p)}(t) \ge \psi_1(p, p, t) \tag{3.4}$$

for all $p \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. By induction, we can prove that

$$\mu_{f(np)-nf(p)}(t) \ge \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \psi_1(jp, p, t_j)$$
(3.5)

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, t > 0 and $n \ge 2$ where $\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} t_j = t$.

Define

$$\Psi(p,t) = \prod_{j=1}^{s-1} \psi_1(jp,p,t_j)$$

for $p \in \mathcal{B}$, t > 0 and $s \ge 2$ where $\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} t_i = t$. So

$$\mu_{f(sp)-sf(p)}(t) \ge \Psi(p,t). \tag{3.6}$$

Put $\Gamma = \{g; g : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}\}$. Define a function $\Delta : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to [0, \infty]$ such that

$$\Delta(\vartheta, \upsilon) = \inf \{ \upsilon > 0 : \mu_{\vartheta(p) - \upsilon(p)}(\upsilon t) \ge \Psi(p, t), \forall p \in \mathcal{B}, t > 0 \},\$$

where $\vartheta, \upsilon \in \Gamma$. Miheț and Radu [28] proved that (Γ, Δ) is a complete GM space. Define a mapping $H: \Gamma \to \Gamma$ by $H(\vartheta)(p) = s^{-1} \upsilon(sp)$. Put

 $\Delta(\vartheta,\upsilon)=\nu,$

where ϑ , $\upsilon\in \varGamma$. Then

$$\mu_{H(\vartheta)(p)-H(\upsilon)(p)}(t) = \mu_{\vartheta(sp)-\upsilon(sp)}(st) \ge \Psi\left(sp, \frac{s}{\alpha}t\right) \ge \Psi\left(p, \frac{t}{L\alpha}\right).$$

So, for ϑ , $\upsilon \in S$, we have

$$\Delta(H(\vartheta), H(\upsilon)) \le L\Delta(\vartheta, \upsilon). \tag{3.7}$$

Then the mapping *H* on Γ with Lipschitz constant *L* is strictly contractive. From (3.6), we have

$$\mu_{(Hf)(p)-f(p)}(t) = \mu_{f(sp)-f(p)}(st) = \mu_{f(sp)-sf(p)}(st) \ge \Psi(p, st),$$

which implies that $\Delta(H(f), f) \leq 1/|s|$. Theorem 2.1 implies that, in the set

$$U = \big\{ \vartheta \in \Gamma : \Delta\big(\vartheta, H(f)\big) < \infty \big\},\$$

 $h: \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ is a unique fixed point of *H*. Also for every $p \in \mathcal{A}$

$$h(p) = \lim_{m \to \infty} H^m(f(p)) = \lim_{m \to \infty} s^{-m} f(s^m p).$$
(3.8)

Using (3.6), we get

$$\mu_{h(\xi p+q)-\xi h(p)-h(q)}(t) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(s^{n}(\xi p+q))-\xi f(s^{n}p)-f(s^{n}q)}(s^{n}t)$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_{1}(s^{n}p, s^{n}q, s^{n}t)$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_{1}\left(p, q, \frac{t}{L^{n}}\right) = 1$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, $\xi \in T$ and t > 0. Let $\xi = \xi_1 + i\xi_2 \in \mathbb{C}$, $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and let $\mu_1 = \xi_1 - [\xi_1]$ and $\mu_2 = \xi_2 - [\xi_2]$ where $[\xi]$ denotes the integer part of ξ . So $0 \le \mu_i < 1$ ($1 \le i \le 2$). Now, we represent μ_i as $\mu_i = \frac{\xi_{i,1} + \xi_{i,2}}{2}$ such that $\xi_{i,j} \in \mathbb{T}$ ($1 \le i, j \le 2$). Since $h(\xi p + q) = \lambda h(p) + h(q)$ for $\xi \in T$, we conclude that

$$\begin{split} h(\xi p) &= h(\xi_1 p) + ih(\xi_2 p) \\ &= \left([\xi_1]h(p) + \delta(\mu_1 p) \right) + i \left([\xi_2]h(p) + h(\mu_2 p) \right) \\ &= \left([\xi_1]h(p) + \frac{1}{2}h(\xi_{1,1}p + \xi_{1,2}p) \right) + i \left([\xi_2]h(p) + \frac{1}{2}h(\xi_{2,1}p + \xi_{2,2}p) \right) \\ &= \left([\xi_1]h(p) + \frac{1}{2}\xi_{1,1}h(p) + \frac{1}{2}\xi_{1,2}h(p) \right) + i \left([\xi_2]h(p) + \frac{1}{2}\xi_{2,1}h(p) + \frac{1}{2}\xi_{2,2}h(p) \right) \\ &= \xi_1 h(p) + i\xi_2 h(p) \\ &= h(p) \end{split}$$

for all $p \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$. So, on \mathcal{B} , *h* is a \mathbb{C} -linear mapping. For the involution of *h*, we have

$$\mu_{h(p^*)-h(p)^*}(t) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(s^n p^*) - f(s^n p)^*}(s^n t)$$
$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_2(s^n p, s^n t)$$
$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_2\left(p, \frac{t}{L^n}\right)$$
$$= 1.$$

Now, we prove the derivation property of *h*. In (3.2), we replace *p* by $s^n p$, *q* by $s^n q$, divide by s^{2n} and get

$$\mu_{\underline{f(s^n p s^n q)}_{s^{2n}} - p \frac{f(s^n q)}{s^n} - \frac{f(s^n p)}{s^n} p}(t) \ge \psi_1(s^n p, s^n q, s^{2n} t) \ge \psi_1\left(p, q, \frac{t}{L^{2n}}\right).$$
(3.9)

In (3.9), letting $n \to \infty$, we get

$$h(pq) = ph(q) + h(p)q \tag{3.10}$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$. So *h* is a *-derivation on \mathcal{B} . Now, in (3.2), replacing *p* by $s^n p$ and dividing by s^n , we get

$$\mu_{\frac{f(s^n pq)}{s^n} - pf(q) - \frac{f(s^n p)}{s^n}q}(t) \ge \psi_1(s^n p, q, s^n t) \ge \psi_1\left(p, q, \frac{t}{L^n}\right)$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and t > 0. Letting $n \to \infty$, we get

$$h(pq) = pf(q) + h(p)q \tag{3.11}$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$. Fix $m \in \mathbb{N}$. From

$$pf(s^{m}q) = h(s^{m}pq) - h(p)s^{m}q$$
$$= s^{m}pf(q)$$
(3.12)

for all $p,q \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $pf(q) = p\frac{f(s^m q)}{s^m}$ for all $p,q \in \mathcal{B}$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Letting $m \to \infty$, we get pf(q) = ph(q). Putting p = e, we get h(q) = f(q) for all $q \in \mathcal{B}$. Hence f is a *-derivation on \mathcal{B} .

4 Approximation of quadratic *-derivations on random Banach *-algebras

Definition 4.1 Assume that a mapping $\delta : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ satisfies

- (1) $\delta(\eta + \kappa) + \delta(\eta \kappa) 2\delta(\eta) 2\delta(\kappa) = 0;$
- (2) δ is quadratic homogeneous, that is, $\delta(\lambda \eta) = \lambda^2 \delta(\eta)$;
- (3) $\delta(\eta\kappa) = \delta(\eta)\kappa^2 + \eta^2\delta(\kappa);$
- (4) $\delta(\eta^*) = \delta(\eta)^*;$

for all $\eta, \kappa \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. Then it is called a *-quadratic derivation on \mathcal{B} .

Theorem 4.2 Assume that $\psi_1 : \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} \to D^+$ and $\psi_2 : \mathcal{B} \to D^+$ are distribution functions. Let $f : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ be a function such that

$$\mu_{f(p+q)+f(p-q)-2f(p)-2f(q)}(t) \ge \psi_1(p,q,t),\tag{4.1}$$

 $\mu_{f(pq)-p^{2}f(q)-f(p)q^{2}}(t) \geq \psi_{1}(p,q,t),$ (4.2)

$$\mu_{f(\xi p) - \lambda^2 f(p)}(t) \ge \psi_2(p, t), \tag{4.3}$$

 $\mu_{f(p^*)-f(p)^*}(t) \ge \psi_2(p,t),\tag{4.4}$

for all $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$, $p,q \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. If there exist $s \in \mathbb{N}$ and 0 < L < 1 such that $\psi_1(2^s p, 2^s q, 2^{2s}Lt) > \psi_1(p,q,t)$, $\psi_1(p,q,t) > \psi_1(p,q,t) > \psi_1(p,q,t) > \psi_1(p,q,t) > \psi_1(p,q,t)$ and $\psi_2(2^s p, 2^{2s}Lt) > \psi_2(p,t)$ for all $p,q \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Then, on \mathcal{B} , f is a *-quadratic derivation.

Proof Putting p = q and $\xi = 1$ in (4.1), we get

$$\mu_{f(2p)-4f(p)}(t) \ge \psi_1(p,p,t)$$

for all $p \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Induction on *n* yields

$$\mu_{f(2^{n}p)-2^{2n}f(p)}(t) \ge \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \psi_1\left(2^{i}p, 2^{i}p, \frac{t_i}{2^{2(n-i)}}\right)$$
(4.5)

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, $n \ge 2$ and t > 0 where $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} t_i = t$. Define

$$\Psi(p,t) = \prod_{i=0}^{s-1} 2^{2(s-i)} \psi_1\left(2^i p, 2^i p, \frac{t_i}{2^{2(n-i)}}\right).$$
(4.6)

Then we have

$$\mu_{f(2^{s}p)-2^{2s}f(p)}(t) \geq \Psi(p,t).$$

The set of all mappings $\zeta : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ is denoted by Γ . Define a function $\Delta : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to [0, \infty]$ by

$$\Delta(\zeta,\eta) = \inf \left\{ \nu > 0 : \mu_{\zeta(p)-\eta(p)}(t) \ge \Psi\left(p,\frac{t}{\nu}\right), \forall p \in \mathcal{B} \right\}.$$

Miheț and Radu [28] proved that (Γ, Δ) is a complete GM space. Now, define a mapping $H: \Gamma \to \Gamma$ by $H(\zeta)(p) = 2^{-2s} \zeta(2^s p)$. Putting

$$\Delta(\zeta,\eta)=\nu\quad(\zeta,\eta\in\Gamma),$$

we obtain

$$\mu_{H(\zeta)(p)-H(\eta)(p)}(t) = \mu_{\zeta(2^{s}p)-\eta(2^{s}p)}\left(\frac{t}{2^{2s}}\right) \geq \Psi\left(2^{s}p, \frac{t}{\nu 2^{2s}}\right) \geq \Psi\left(p, \frac{t}{L\alpha}\right).$$

Then, for ζ , $\eta \in S$, we have

$$\Delta(H(\zeta), H(\eta)) \le L\Delta(\zeta, \eta), \tag{4.7}$$

which means that *H* on Γ , with Lipschitz constant *L* is a strictly contractive mapping. Also, for $p \in \mathcal{B}$, we have

$$\mu_{(Hf)(p)-f(p)}(t) = \mu_{2^{-2s}f(2^{s}p)-f(p)}(t) = \mu_{f(2^{s})2^{2s}f(p)}(2^{2s}t) \ge \Psi(p, 2^{2s}t),$$

which implies that $\Delta(H(f), f) \leq 1/2^{2s}$. Using Theorem 2.1, we conclude that, in the set

$$U = \left\{ \zeta \in \Gamma : \Delta(\zeta, H(f)) < \infty \right\}$$
(4.8)

and for each $p \in \mathcal{B}$, $h : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}$ is a unique fixed point of H and

$$h(p) = \lim_{m \to \infty} H^m(f(p)) = \lim 2^{-2sm} f(2^{sm} p).$$
(4.9)

By (4.9), we have

 $\mu_{h(p+q)+h(p-q)-2h(p)-2h(q)}(t)$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(2^{sn}(p+q)+f(2^{sn}(p-q))-2f(2^{sn}p)-2f(2^{sn}q)} (2^{2sn}t)$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_1(2^{ns}p, 2^{ns}q, 2^{2ns}t) \geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_1\left(p, q, \frac{t}{L^n}\right) = 1$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Then *h* is a quadratic mapping on \mathcal{B} . Also, we have

$$\begin{split} \mu_{h(\xi p)-\lambda^2 h(p)}(t) &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(2^{ns}(\xi p)-\lambda^2 f(2^{ns}p)} \left(2^{2ns}t\right) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_2 \left(2^{ns}p, 2^{2ns}t\right) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_2 \left(p, \frac{t}{L^n}\right) \\ &= 1, \end{split}$$

which implies that h is quadratic homogeneous.

Now, replacing *p* by $2^{ns}p$ in (4.2) and dividing by 2^{-2sn} , we get

$$\mu_{\frac{f(2^{ns}pq)}{2^{2ns}}-p^2f(q)-\frac{f(2^{ns}p)}{2^{2ns}}q^2}(t) \ge \psi_1(2^{ns}p,q,2^{2ns}t) \ge \psi_1\left(p,q,\frac{t}{L^n}\right)$$
(4.10)

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and t > 0. Letting $n \to \infty$, we get

$$h(pq) = p^2 f(q) + h(p)q^2, (4.11)$$

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$. Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$. We have

$$p^{2}f(2^{ms}q) = h(2^{ms}pq) - h(2^{ms}p)q^{2}$$

= $2^{2ms}p^{2}f(q) + h(2^{ms}p)q^{2} - h(2^{ms}p)q^{2}$
= $2^{2ms}p^{2}f(q)$ (4.12)

for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$, and so $p^2 f(q) = p^2 \frac{f(2^{ms}q)}{2^{2ms}}$ for all $p, q \in \mathcal{B}$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Letting $m \to \infty$ yields $p^2 f(q) = p^2 h(q)$. Putting p = e, we get h(q) = f(q) for all $q \in \mathcal{B}$. Hence, on \mathcal{B} , f is a *-quadratic derivation.

5 Derivations on random C*-ternary algebras

A complex random Banach space $(\mathcal{B}, \mu, T, T')$, which has a ternary product $(f, g, h) \mapsto [f, g, h]$ of \mathcal{B}^3 into \mathcal{B} , is a random C^* -ternary algebra if (see [29]):

- (1) $[\xi f + v, g, h] = \xi [f, g, h] + [v, g, h]$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$;
- (2) $[f, \xi g + v, h] = \xi [f, g, h] + [f, v, h]$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$;
- (3) $[f,g,\xi h + \nu] = \xi [f,g,h] + [f,g,\nu]$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$;
- (4) [f,g,[h,k,j]] = [f,[k,h,g],j] = [[f,g,h],k,j];
- (5) $||[f,g,h]|| \le ||f|| \cdot ||g|| \cdot ||h||;$
- (6) $||[f,f,f]|| = ||f||^3;$

for f, g, h, v, k, $j \in \mathcal{B}$.

If $(\mathcal{B}, \mu, T, T')$ has the unit e satisfying f = [f, e, e] = [e, e, f] for all $f \in \mathcal{B}$, then the random C^* -ternary algebra has unit e. If for $f \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $[e, f, e] = f^*$, then * is an involution on the C^* -ternary algebra. A C^* -ternary derivation is a mapping $\delta : \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$ such that

$$\begin{split} &\delta\big([f,g,h]\big) = \big[\delta(f),g,h\big] + \big[f,\delta(g),h\big] + \big[f,g,\delta(h)\big],\\ &\delta(\xi f + g) = \xi\delta(f) + \delta(g) \end{split}$$

for all $f, g, h \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$. Recall that $\delta([e, f, e]) = [e, \delta(f), e]$ implies that δ is an involution.

Theorem 5.1 Assume that \mathcal{B} is a random C^* -ternary algebra which has the unit e. Suppose that $\psi_1 : \mathcal{B}^2 \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $\psi_2 : \mathcal{B}^3 \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ are functions. Let $f : \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$ be a mapping such that

$$\mu_{f(\xi p+q)-\lambda f(p)-f(q)}(t) \ge \psi_1(p,q,t),$$
(5.1)

 $\mu_{f([p,q,r])-[f(p),q,r]-[p,f(q),r][p,q,f(r)]}(t) \ge \psi_2(p,q,r,t),$ (5.2)

$$\mu_{f([e,q,e])-[e,f(q),e]}(t) \ge \psi_2(e,q,e,t)$$
(5.3)

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $p,q,r \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Assume there exist $s \in \mathbb{N}$ and 0 < L < 1 such that $\psi_1(s^i p, s^j q, s^{(i+j)}L^{(i+j)}t) > \psi_1(p,q,t)$, $\psi_2(s^i p, s^j q, s^k r, s^{(i+j+k)}L^{(i+j+k)}t) > \psi_2(p,q,r,t)$ for all $p,q,r \in \mathcal{B}$ and i,j,k = 0,1. Then on \mathcal{B} , f is a *-derivation.

Proof Put

$$\Psi(p,t) = \prod_{j=1}^{s-1} \psi_1(jp,p,t_j)$$

for $p \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0 where $\sum_{j=1}^{s-1} t_j = t$. Then we have

$$\mu_{f(sp)-sf(p)}(t) \ge \Psi(p,t). \tag{5.4}$$

We use similar method presented in the proof of Theorem 3.1. Let Γ be the set of all mappings $r : \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$. Define a function $\Delta : \Gamma \times \Gamma \longrightarrow [0, \infty]$ by

$$\Delta(\zeta,\eta) = \inf \{ \nu > 0 : \mu_{\zeta(z) - \eta(z)}(\nu s) \ge \Psi(z,s) \}$$

for $\zeta, \eta \in \Gamma, z \in \mathcal{B}$ and t > 0. Miheț and Radu [28] proved that (Γ, Δ) is a complete GM space. Define a mapping $H : \Gamma \longrightarrow \Gamma$ by $H(\zeta)(z) = s^{-1}\zeta(sz)$. Now

$$\Delta(\zeta,\eta) = \nu(\zeta,\eta\in\Gamma)$$

implies that

$$\mu_{H(\zeta)(z)-H(\eta)(z)}(t) = \mu_{\zeta(sz)-\eta(sz)}(vst) \ge \Psi(sz,st) \ge \Psi\left(z,\frac{t}{Lv}\right)$$

and for ζ , $\eta\in \varGamma$

$$\Delta(H(\zeta), H(\eta)) \le L\Delta(\zeta, \eta).$$
(5.5)

Therefore *H* on Γ with Lipschitz constant *L* is a strictly contractive function. From (5.4), we have

$$\mu(Hf)(z) - f(z)(t) = \mu_{s^{-1}f(sz) - f(z)}(t) = \mu_{f(sz) - sf(z)}(st) \ge \Psi(z, st).$$

So $\Delta(H(f), f) \leq 1/|s|$. Using Theorem 2.1, we conclude that, in the set

 $U = \{ \zeta \in \Gamma : \Delta(\zeta, H(f)) < \infty \},\$

 $h: \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a unique fixed point of *H*.

Now, for every $z \in \mathcal{B}$, we have

$$h(z) = \lim_{m \to \infty} H^m(f(z)) = \lim_{m \to \infty} s^{-m} f(s^m z)$$
(5.6)

which implies that *h* is a \mathbb{C} -linear mapping on \mathcal{B} . Also, we can show that *h* has the *C*^{*}-ternary derivation property,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_{h([p,q,r])[h(p),q,r][p,h(q),r][p,q,h(r)]}(t) \\ &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(s^{3n}[p,q,r]) - s^{2n}[f(s^{n}p),q,r] - s^{2n}[p,f(s^{n}q),r] - s^{2n}[p,q,f(s^{n}r)]}(s^{3n}t) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_1(s^{n}p,s^{n}q,s^{n}r,s^{3n}t) \geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_1\left(p,q,r,\frac{t}{L^{3n}}\right) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$h([p,q,r]) = [h(p),q,r] + [p,h(q),r] + [p,q,h(r)]$$
(5.7)

for all $p, q, r \in \mathcal{B}$. Also,

$$\begin{split} \mu_{h([e,p,e])-[e,h(p),e]}(t) &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(s^{3n}[e,p,e])-s^{2n}[e,f(s^np),e]}(s^{3n}t) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_1(s^n e, s^n p, s^n e, s^{3n}t) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} L^{3n} \psi_1\left(e,p,e,\frac{t}{L^{3n}}\right) \\ &= 1, \end{split}$$

which implies that, on \mathcal{B} , *h* is a *-derivation.

Now, in (5.2), we replace *q* by $s^n q$, *r* by $s^n r$ and divide by s^{2n} . Letting $n \to \infty$, we get

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{s^{-2n}(f([p,s^{n}q,s^{n}r])-[f(p),s^{n}q,s^{n}r]-s^{n}[p,f(s^{n}q),r]-s^{n}[p,q,f(s^{n}r)])}(t)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_{f(s^{2n}[p,q,r])-s^{2n}[f(p),q,r]-s^{n}[p,f(s^{n}q),r]-s^{n}[p,q,f(s^{n}r)]}(s^{2n}t)$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_{1}(p,s^{n}q,s^{n}r,s^{2n}) \geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \psi_{1}\left(p,q,r\frac{t}{L^{2n}}\right) = 1,$$

which implies that

$$h\bigl([p,q,r]\bigr) = \bigl[f(p),q,r\bigr] + \bigl[p,h(q),r\bigr] + \bigl[p,q,h(r)\bigr] \tag{5.8}$$

for all $p,q,r \in \mathcal{B}$. Putting f(p) - h(p) instead of q and r in (5.7) and (5.8), we obtain $\mu_{h(p)-f(p)}(t) = 1$. Hence, on \mathcal{B}, f is a *-derivation.

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