## JORDAN \*-HOMOMORPHISMS ON C\*-ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. In this paper, we investigate Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras associated with the following functional inequality  $\left\|f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3c}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right)\right\| \leq \|f(a)\|$ . We moreover prove the superstability and the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras associated with the following functional equation

$$f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3c}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right) = f(a).$$

## 1. Introduction

The stability of functional equations was first introduced by Ulam [27] in 1940. More precisely, he proposed the following problem: Given a group  $G_1$ , a metric group  $(G_2,d)$  and a positive number  $\varepsilon$ , does there exist a  $\delta > 0$  such that if a function  $f: G_1 \longrightarrow G_2$  satisfies the inequality  $d(f(xy), f(x)f(y)) < \delta$  for all  $x, y \in G_1$ , then there exists a homomorphism  $T: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  such that  $d(f(x), T(x)) < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in G_1$ ? As mentioned above, when this problem has a solution, we say that the homomorphisms from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$  are stable. In 1941, Hyers [6] gave a partial solution of Ulam's problem for the case of approximate additive mappings under the assumption that  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are Banach spaces. In 1978, Th. M. Rassias [22] generalized the theorem of Hyers by considering the stability problem with unbounded Cauchy differences. This phenomenon of stability that was introduced by Th. M. Rassias [22] is called *generalized Hyers-Ulam stability* or *Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability*.

THEOREM 1.1. Let  $f : E \longrightarrow E'$  be a mapping from a norm vector space E into a Banach space E' subject to the inequality

$$\|f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)\| \le \varepsilon(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)$$
(1.1)

for all  $x, y \in E$ , where  $\varepsilon$  and p are constants with  $\varepsilon > 0$  and p < 1. Then there exists a unique additive mapping  $T : E \longrightarrow E'$  such that

$$\|f(x) - T(x)\| \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{2 - 2^p} \|x\|^p \tag{1.2}$$

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for all  $x \in E$ . If p < 0 then inequality (1.1) holds for all  $x, y \neq 0$ , and (1.2) for  $x \neq 0$ . Also, if the function  $t \mapsto f(tx)$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into E' is continuous for each fixed  $x \in E$ , then *T* is  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear.

During the last decades several stability problems of functional equations have been investigated by many mathematicians. A large list of references concerning the stability of functional equations can be found in [1, 2, 3, 11, 16, 25, 26, 28].

DEFINITION 1.2. Let A, B be two  $C^*$ -algebras. A  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping  $f : A \to B$  is called a Jordan \*-homomorphism if

$$\begin{cases} f(a^2) = f(a)^2, \\ f(a^*) = f(a)^* \end{cases}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

C. Park [19] introduced and investigated Jordan \*-derivations on  $C^*$ - algebras associated with the following functional inequality

$$\|f(a) + f(b) + kf(c)\| \leq \left\|kf\left(\frac{a+b}{k} + c\right)\right\|$$

for some integer k greater than 1 and proved the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of Jordan \*-derivations on  $C^*$ -algebras associated with the following functional equation

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{k}+c\right) = \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{k} + f(c)$$

for some integer k greater than 1 (see also [20, 14, 15, 17, 21]).

In this paper, we investigate Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras associated with the following functional inequality

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3c}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right) \right\| \leq \|f(a)\|.$$

We moreover prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras associated with the following functional equation

$$f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3c}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right) = f(a).$$

## 2. Jordan \*-homomorphisms

In this section, we investigate Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras. Throughout this section, assume that A, B are two  $C^*$ -algebras.

LEMMA 2.1. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a mapping such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3c}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right) \right\|_{B} \le \|f(a)\|_{B}$$
(2.1)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Then f is additive.

*Proof.* Letting a = b = c = 0 in (2.1), we get

$$\|3f(0)\|_B \leq \|f(0)\|_B$$

So f(0) = 0. Letting a = b = 0 in (2.1), we get

$$||f(-c) + f(c)||_B \leq ||f(0)||_B = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$ . Hence f(-c) = -f(c) for all  $c \in A$ . Letting a = 0 and b = 6c in (2.1), we get

 $||f(2c) - 2f(c)||_B \leq ||f(0)||_B = 0$ 

for all  $c \in A$ . Hence

f(2c) = 2f(c)

for all  $c \in A$ . Letting a = 0 and b = 9c in (2.1), we get

$$||f(3c) - f(c) - 2f(c)||_B \leq ||f(0)||_B = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$ . Hence

$$f(3c) = 3f(c)$$

for all  $c \in A$ . Letting a = 0 in (2.1), we get

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{b}{3}\right) + f(-c) + f\left(c - \frac{b}{3}\right) \right\|_{B} \le \|f(0)\|_{B} = 0$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . So

$$f\left(\frac{b}{3}\right) + f(-c) + f\left(c - \frac{b}{3}\right) = 0$$
(2.2)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Let  $t_1 = c - \frac{b}{3}$  and  $t_2 = \frac{b}{3}$  in (2.2). Then

$$f(t_2) - f(t_1 + t_2) + f(t_1) = 0$$

for all  $t_1, t_2 \in A$ . This means that f is additive.  $\Box$ 

Now we prove the superstability problem for Jordan \*-homomorphisms as follows. THEOREM 2.2. Let p < 1 and  $\theta$  be nonnegative real numbers, and let  $f : A \to B$  be a mapping such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a-3\mu c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a+3c-b}{3}\right) \right\|_{B} \leqslant \|f(a)\|_{B}, \qquad (2.2)$$

$$\|f(a^{2}) - f(a)^{2}\|_{B} \leq \theta \|a\|^{2p},$$
(2.3)

$$\|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\|_B \leqslant \theta \|a^*\|^p$$
(2.4)

for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1 := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} ; |\lambda| = 1\}$  and all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Then the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is a Jordan \*-homomorphism.

*Proof.* Let  $\mu = 1$  in (2.2). By Lemma 2.1, the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is additive. Letting a = b = 0 in (2.2), we get

$$||f(-\mu c) + \mu f(c)||_B \leq ||f(0)||_B = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . So

$$-f(\mu c) + \mu f(c) = f(-\mu c) + \mu f(c) = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Hence  $f(\mu c) = \mu f(c)$  for all  $c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . By Theorem 2.1 of [18], the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear. It follows from (2.3) that

$$\begin{split} \|f(a^2) - f(a)^2\|_B &= \left\| \frac{1}{n^2} f(n^2 a^2) - \left(\frac{1}{n} f(na)\right)^2 \right\|_B \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \|f(n^2 a^2) - f(na)^2\|_B \\ &\leq \frac{\theta}{n^2} n^{2p} \|a\|^{2p} \end{split}$$

for all  $a \in A$ . Thus, since p < 1, by letting n tend to  $\infty$  in last inequality, we obtain  $f(a^2) = f(a)^2$  for all  $a \in A$ . On the other hand, it follows from (2.4) that

$$\|f(a^{*}) - f(a)^{*}\|_{B} = \left\|\frac{1}{n}f(na^{*}) - \left(\frac{1}{n}f(na)\right)^{*}\right\|_{B}$$
$$= \frac{1}{n}\|f(na^{*}) - f(na)^{*}\|_{B}$$
$$\leq \frac{\theta}{n}n^{p}\|a^{*}\|^{p}$$

for all  $a \in A$ . Thus, since p < 1, by letting n tend to  $\infty$  in last inequality, we obtain  $f(a^*) = f(a)^*$  for all  $a \in A$ . Hence the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is a Jordan \*-homomorphism.  $\Box$ 

THEOREM 2.3. Let p > 1 and  $\theta$  be a nonnegative real number, and let  $f : A \to B$  be a mapping satisfying (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4). Then the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is a Jordan \*-homomorphism.

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2.  $\Box$ 

We prove the generalized Hyers-Ulam stability of Jordan \*-homomorphisms on  $C^*$ -algebras.

THEOREM 2.4. Suppose that  $f : A \to B$  is an odd mapping for which there exists a function  $\varphi : A \times A \to \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 3^{i} \varphi \left( \frac{a}{3^{i}}, \frac{b}{3^{i}}, \frac{c}{3^{i}} \right) < \infty,$$
(2.5)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^n}, \frac{b}{3^n}, \frac{c}{3^n}\right) = 0, \qquad (2.6)$$

$$|f(a^*) - f(a)^*||_B \le \varphi(a, a, a),$$
 (2.7)

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_B \leqslant \varphi(a, b, c)$$

$$(2.8)$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}^1$ . Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h: A \to B$  such that

$$||h(a) - f(a)||_B \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 3^i \varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^i}, \frac{2a}{3^i}, 0\right)$$
 (2.9)

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\mu = 1$ , b = 2a and c = 0 in (2.8), we get

$$\left\|3f\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) - f(a)\right\|_{B} \leqslant \varphi(a, 2a, 0)$$

for all  $a \in A$ . Using the induction method, we have

$$\left\|3^{n}f\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right) - f(a)\right\| \leqslant \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 3^{i}\varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^{i}}, \frac{2a}{3^{i}}, 0\right)$$
(2.10)

for all  $a \in A$ . In order to show the functions  $h_n(a) = 3^n f\left(\frac{a}{3^n}\right)$  form a convergent sequence, we use the Cauchy convergence criterion. Indeed, replace a by  $\frac{a}{3^m}$  and multiply by  $3^m$  in (2.10), where m is an arbitrary positive integer. We find that

$$\left|3^{m+n}f\left(\frac{a}{3^{m+n}}\right) - 3^m f\left(\frac{a}{3^m}\right)\right\| \leqslant \sum_{i=m}^{m+n-1} 3^i \varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^i}, \frac{2a}{3^i}, 0\right)$$
(2.11)

for all positive integers. Hence by the Cauchy criterion the limit  $h(a) = \lim_{n\to\infty} h_n(a)$  exists for each  $a \in A$ . By taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$  in (2.10) we see that

$$\|h(a) - f(a)\| \leqslant \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 3^i \varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^i}, \frac{2a}{3^i}, 0\right)$$

and (2.9) holds for all  $a \in A$ . Let  $\mu = 1$  and c = 0 in (2.8), we get

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a-b}{3}\right) - f(a) \right\|_{B} \leqslant \varphi(a,b,0)$$
(2.12)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Multiplying both sides (2.12) by  $3^n$  and Replacing a, b by  $\frac{a}{3^n}, \frac{b}{3^n}$ , respectively, we get

$$\left\|3^{n}f\left(\frac{b-a}{3^{n+1}}\right)+3^{n}f\left(\frac{a}{3^{n+1}}\right)+3^{n}f\left(\frac{3a-b}{3^{n+1}}\right)-3^{n}f\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right)\right\|_{B} \leqslant 3^{n}\varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}},\frac{b}{3^{n}},0\right)$$
(2.13)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$ , we obtain

$$h\left(\frac{b-a}{3}\right) + h\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) + h\left(\frac{3a-b}{3}\right) - h(a) = 0$$
(2.14)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Putting b = 2a in (2.14), we get  $3h\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) = h(a)$  for all  $a \in A$ . Replacing a by 2a in (2.14), we get

$$h(b-2a) + h(6a-b) = 2h(2a)$$
(2.15)

for all  $a, b \in A$ . Letting b = 2a in (2.15), we get h(4a) = 2h(2a) for all  $a \in A$ . So h(2a) = 2h(a) for all  $a \in A$ . Letting 3a - b = s and b - a = t in (2.14), we get

$$h\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) + h\left(\frac{s+t}{6}\right) + h\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) = h\left(\frac{s+t}{2}\right)$$

for all  $s,t \in A$ . Hence h(s) + h(t) = h(s+t) for all  $s,t \in A$ . So, h is additive. Letting a = c = 0 in (2.12) and using the above method, we have  $h(\mu b) = \mu h(b)$  for all  $b \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}$ . Hence by the Theorem 2.1 of [18], the mapping  $f : A \to B$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear.

Now, let  $h': A \to B$  be another  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear mapping satisfying (2.9). Then we have

$$\|h(a) - h'(a)\|_{B} = 3^{n} \left\|h\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right) - h'\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right)\right\|_{B}$$
$$\leq 3^{n} \left[\left\|h\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right) - f\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right)\right\|_{B} + \left\|h'\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right) - f\left(\frac{a}{3^{n}}\right)\right\|_{B}\right]$$
$$\leq 2\sum_{i=n}^{\infty} 3^{i} \varphi\left(\frac{a}{3^{i}}, \frac{2a}{3^{i}}, 0\right) = 0$$

for all  $a \in A$ . Letting  $\mu = 1$  and a = b = 0 in (2.8), we get  $||f(c^2) - f(c)^2||_B \leq \varphi(0,0,c)$  for all  $c \in A$ . So

$$\|h(c^{2}) - h(c)^{2}\|_{B} = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \left\| f\left(\frac{c^{2}}{3^{2n}}\right) - f\left(\frac{c}{3^{n}}\right)^{2} \right\|_{B} \leq \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{2n} \varphi\left(0, 0, \frac{c}{3^{n}}\right) = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$ . Hence  $h(c^2) = h(c)^2$  for all  $c \in A$ . On the other hand we have

$$\|h(c^*) - h(c)^*\|_B = \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \left\| f\left(\frac{c^*}{3^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{c}{3^n}\right)^* \right\|_B \le \lim_{n \to \infty} 3^n \varphi\left(\frac{c}{3^n}, \frac{c}{3^n}, \frac{c}{3^n}\right) = 0$$

for all  $c \in A$ . Hence  $h(c^*) = h(c)^*$  for all  $c \in A$ . Hence  $h: A \to B$  is a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 2.5. Suppose that  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 for which there exists constant  $\theta \ge 0$  and  $p_1, p_2, p_3 > 1$  such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_{B}$$
  
$$\leq \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|b\|^{p_2} + \|c\|^{p_3}),$$
  
$$\|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\|_{B} \leq \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|a\|^{p_2} + \|a\|^{p_3})$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}$ . Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h: A \to B$  such that

$$||f(a) - h(a)||_B \leq \frac{\theta ||a||^{p_1}}{1 - 3^{(1-p_1)}} + \frac{\theta 2^{p_2} ||a||^{p_2}}{1 - 3^{(1-p_2)}}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\varphi(a,b,c) := \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|b\|^{p_2} + \|c\|^{p_3})$  in Theorem 2.4, we obtain the result.  $\Box$ 

The following corollary is the Isac-Rassias stability.

COROLLARY 2.6. Let  $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \to \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$  be a function with  $\psi(0) = 0$  such that

$$\begin{split} \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\psi(t)}{t} &= 0, \\ \psi(st) \leqslant \psi(s)\psi(t) \qquad s, t \in \mathbb{R}^+, \\ & 3\psi\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) < 1. \end{split}$$

Suppose that  $f : A \to B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 satisfying (2.7) and (2.8) such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_{B}$$
$$\leq \theta [\psi(\|a\|) + \psi(\|b\|) + \psi(\|c\|)]$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$  where  $\theta > 0$  is a constant. Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h : A \to B$  such that

$$\|h(a) - f(a)\|_B \leq \frac{\theta(1 + \psi(2))\psi(\|a\|)}{1 - 3\psi(\frac{1}{3})}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\varphi(a,b,c) := \theta[\psi(||a||) + \psi(||b||) + \psi(||c||)]$  in Theorem 2.4, we obtain the result.  $\Box$ 

THEOREM 2.7. Suppose that  $f : A \to B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 for which there exists a function  $\varphi : A \times A \times A \to B$  satisfying (2.7), (2.8) and (2.8) such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 3^{-i} \varphi(3^{i}a, 3^{i}b, 3^{i}c) < \infty,$$
(2.16)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 3^{-2n} \varphi(3^{i}a, 3^{i}b, 3^{i}c) = 0$$
(2.17)

for all  $a, b, c \in A$ . Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h : A \to B$  such that

$$\|h(a) - f(a)\|_{B} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 3^{-i} \varphi(3^{i}a, 3^{i}2a, 0)$$
(2.18)

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\mu = 1$ , b = 2a and c = 0 in (2.8), we get

$$\left\|3f\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) - f(a)\right\|_{B} \leqslant \varphi(a, 2a, 0)$$
(2.19)

for all  $a \in A$ . Replacing a by 3a in (2.19), we get

$$\|3^{-1}f(3a) - f(a)\|_B \leq 3^{-1}\varphi(3a, 2(3a), 0)$$

for all  $a \in A$ . On can apply the induction method to prove that

$$\|3^{-n}f(3^{n}a) - f(a)\|_{B} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} 3^{-i}\varphi(3^{i}a, 2(3^{i}a), 0)$$
(2.20)

for all  $a \in A$ . In order to show the functions  $h_n(a) = 3^{-n} f(3^n a)$  form a convergent sequence, we use the Cauchy convergence criterion. Indeed, replace *a* by  $3^m a$  and multiply by  $3^{-m}$  in (2.20), where *m* is an arbitrary positive integer. We find that

$$\|3^{-(m+n)}f(3^{m+n}a) - 3^{-m}f(3^{m}a)\| \leq \sum_{i=m+1}^{m+n} 3^{-i}\varphi(3^{i}a, 2(3^{i}a), 0)$$
(2.21)

for all positive integers. Hence by the Cauchy criterion the limit  $h(a) = \lim_{n\to\infty} h_n(a)$  exists for each  $a \in A$ . By taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$  in (2.20) we see that

$$||h(a) - f(a)|| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 3^{-i} \varphi(3^{i}a, 2(3^{i}a), 0)$$

and (2.18) holds for all  $a \in A$ .

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.4.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 2.8. Suppose that  $f: A \to B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 for which there exists constant  $\theta \ge 0$  and  $p_1, p_2, p_3 < 1$  such that

$$\begin{split} \left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_{B} \\ &\leq \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|b\|^{p_2} + \|c\|^{p_3}), \\ \|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\|_{B} \leq \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|a\|^{p_2} + \|a\|^{p_3}) \end{split}$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}$ . Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h: A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$||f(a) - h(a)||_B \leq \frac{\theta ||a||^{p_1}}{3^{(1-p_1)} - 1} + \frac{\theta 2^{p_2} ||a||^{p_2}}{3^{(1-p_2)} - 1}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\varphi(a,b,c) := \theta(\|a\|^{p_1} + \|b\|^{p_2} + \|c\|^{p_3})$  in Theorem 2.7, we obtain the result.  $\Box$ 

The following corollary is the Isac-Rassias stability.

COROLLARY 2.9. Let  $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\} \to \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$  be a function with  $\psi(0) = 0$  such that

$$\begin{split} \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\psi(t)}{t} &= 0, \\ \psi(st) \leqslant \psi(s) \psi(t) \qquad s, t \in \mathbb{R}^+, \\ 3^{-1} \psi(3) &< 1. \end{split}$$

Suppose that  $f : A \to B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 satisfying (2.7) and (2.8) such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_{\mathcal{B}}$$
$$\leq \theta [\psi(\|a\|) + \psi(\|b\|) + \psi(\|c\|)]$$

for all  $a,b,c \in A$  where  $\theta > 0$  is a constant. Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h : A \to B$  such that

$$||h(a) - f(a)||_B \leq \frac{\theta(1 + \psi(2))\psi(||a||)}{1 - 3^{-1}\psi(3)}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $\varphi(a,b,c) := \theta[\psi(||a||) + \psi(||b||) + \psi(||c||)]$  in Theorem 2.7, we obtain the result.  $\Box$ 

One can get easily the stability of Hyers-Ulam by the following corollary.

COROLLARY 2.10. Suppose that  $f: A \to B$  is a mapping with f(0) = 0 for which there exists constant  $\theta \ge 0$  such that

$$\left\| f\left(\frac{\mu b - a}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{a - 3c}{3}\right) + \mu f\left(\frac{3a - b}{3} + c\right) - f(a) + f(c^2) - f(c)^2 \right\|_B \leqslant \theta,$$
$$\|f(a^*) - f(a)^*\|_B \leqslant \theta$$

for all  $a, b, c \in A$  and all  $\mu \in \mathbb{T}$ . Then there exists a unique Jordan \*-homomorphism  $h: A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\|f(a)-h(a)\|_B\leqslant \theta$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Letting  $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = 0$  in Corollary 2.8, we obtain the result.  $\Box$ 

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