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# Approximately $n$ -Jordan Homomorphisms on Banach Algebras

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Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $A, B$  be two rings. An additive map  $h : A \rightarrow B$  is called  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism if  $h(a^n) = (h(a))^n$  for all  $a \in A$ . In this paper, we establish the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of  $n$ -Jordan homomorphisms on Banach algebras. Also we show that (a) to each approximate 3-Jordan homomorphism  $h$  from a Banach algebra into a semisimple commutative Banach algebra there corresponds a unique 3-ring homomorphism near to  $f$ , (b) to each approximate  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism  $h$  between two commutative Banach algebras there corresponds a unique  $n$ -ring homomorphism near to  $f$  for all  $n \in \{3, 4, 5\}$ .

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## 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Let  $A, B$  be two rings (algebras). An additive map  $h : A \rightarrow B$  is called  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism ( $n$ -ring homomorphism) if  $h(a^n) = (h(a))^n$  for all  $a \in A$ , ( $h(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n h(a_i)$ , for all  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A$ ). If  $h : A \rightarrow B$  is a linear  $n$ -ring homomorphism, we say that  $h$  is  $n$ -homomorphism. The concept of  $n$ -homomorphisms was studied for complex algebras by Hejazian et al. [1] (see also [2, 3]). A 2-Jordan homomorphism is a Jordan homomorphism, in the usual sense, between rings. Every Jordan homomorphism is an  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism, for all  $n \geq 2$ , (e.g., [4, Lemma 6.3.2]), but the converse is false, in general. For instance, let  $A$  be an algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $h : A \rightarrow A$  be a nonzero Jordan homomorphism on  $A$ . Then,  $-h$  is a 3-Jordan homomorphism. It is easy to check that  $-h$  is not 2-Jordan homomorphism or 4-Jordan homomorphism. The concept of  $n$ -Jordan homomorphisms was studied by the first author [5]. A classical question in the theory of functional equations is that "when is it true that a mapping which approximately satisfies a functional equation  $\mathcal{E}$  must be somehow close to an exact solution of  $\mathcal{E}$ ?" Such

a problem was formulated by Ulam [6] in 1940 and solved in the next year for the Cauchy functional equation by Hyers [7]. It gave rise to the *stability theory* for functional equations. Subsequently, various approaches to the problem have been introduced by several authors. For the history and various aspects of this theory we refer the reader to monographs [8–12]. Applying a theorem of Hyers [7], Rassias [13], and Gajda [14], Bourgin [15] proved the stability problem of ring homomorphisms between unital Banach algebras. Badora [16] proved the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of ring homomorphisms, which generalizes the result of Bourgin. Recently, Miura et al. [17] proved the Hyers-Ulam-Rassias stability of Jordan homomorphisms. The stability problem of  $n$ -homomorphisms between Banach algebras, has been proved by the first author [18]. In this paper, we consider the stability, in the sense of Hyers-Ulam-Rassias, of  $n$ -Jordan homomorphisms on Banach algebras.

## 2. Main Result

By a following similar way as in [17], we obtain the next theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $A$  be a normed algebra, let  $B$  be a Banach algebra, let  $\delta$  and  $\varepsilon$  be nonnegative real numbers, and let  $p, q$  be a real numbers such that  $p, q < 1$  or  $p, q > 1$ , and that  $q > 0$ . Assume that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  satisfies the system of functional inequalities*

$$\|f(a+b) - f(a) - f(b)\| \leq \varepsilon(\|a\|^p + \|b\|^p), \quad (2.1)$$

$$\|f(a^n) - f(a)^n\| \leq \delta\|a\|^{nq} \quad (2.2)$$

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

$$\|f(a) - h(a)\| \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{|2 - 2^p|} \|a\|^p \quad (2.3)$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Put  $s := -\text{sgn}(p - 1)$ , and  $h(a) := \lim_m (1/2^{sm})f(2^{sm}a)$  for all  $a \in A$ . It follows from [13, 14] that  $h$  is additive map satisfies (2.3). We will show that  $h$  is  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism. Since  $\lim_m 2^{smn(q-1)} = 0$ , it follows from (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_m \frac{1}{2^{smn}} \{ \|f((2^{sm}a)(2^{sm}a) \cdots (2^{sm}a)) - (f(2^{sm}a))^n \| \} \\ & \leq \lim_m \frac{1}{2^{smn}} \delta \|2^{sm}a\|^{nq} \\ & = \lim_m (2^{smn(q-1)}) \delta \|a\|^{nq} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(a^n) &= \lim_m \frac{1}{2^{smn}} f(2^{smn}(a^n)) \\
 &= \lim_m \frac{1}{2^{smn}} f((2^{sm}a)(2^{sm}a) \cdots (2^{sm}a)) \\
 &= \lim_m \frac{1}{2^{smn}} \{f((2^{sm}a)(2^{sm}a) \cdots (2^{sm}a)) - (f(2^{sm}a))^n + (f(2^{sm}a))^n\} \\
 &= (h(a))^n
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

for all  $a \in A$ . In other words,  $h$  is  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism. The uniqueness property of  $h$  follows from [13, 14].  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $A$  be a normed algebra, let  $B$  be a Banach algebra, let  $\delta$  and  $\varepsilon$  be nonnegative real numbers, and let  $p, q$  be real numbers such that  $p < 1$  and  $q < 0$ . If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a mapping, with  $f(0) = 0$ , such that the inequalities (2.1) and (2.2) are valid. Then, there exists a unique  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow B$  such that*

$$\|f(a) - h(a)\| \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{|2 - 2^p|} \|a\|^p \tag{2.6}$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\|0\|^p = \infty$ . It follows from [13] that there exists an additive map  $h : A \rightarrow B$  satisfies (2.6). It suffices to show that  $h(a^n) = h(a)^n$  for all  $a \in A$ . Since  $h$  is additive, we get  $h(0) = 0$ , and so the case  $a = 0$  is omitted. Let  $a \in A - \{0\}$  be arbitrarily. If  $a^n \neq 0$ , then the proof of Theorem 2.1 works well, and  $h(a^n) = h(a)^n$ . Thus we need to consider only the case  $a^n = 0$ . Since  $f(0) = 0$ , it follows from (2.2), that

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2^{mn}} (f(2^m a))^n \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2^{mn}} \delta \|2^m a\|^{nq} = 2^{mn(q-1)} \delta \|a\|^{nq}. \tag{2.7}$$

Hence, we have

$$\lim_m \frac{1}{2^{mn}} (f(2^m a))^n = 0. \tag{2.8}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$h(a) = \lim_m \frac{1}{2^m} (f(2^m a)). \tag{2.9}$$

It follows from (2.8) and (2.9) that

$$h(a)^n = \lim_m \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{mn}} (f(2^m a))^n \right\} = 0, \quad (2.10)$$

which proves  $h(a^n) = 0 = h(a)^n$ , whenever  $a^n = 0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

By [17, Theorem 1.1] and [5, Theorem 2.5], we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $n \in \{2, 3\}$  be fixed. Suppose  $A$  is a Banach algebra, which needs not to be commutative, and suppose  $B$  is a semisimple commutative Banach algebra. Then, each  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow B$  is a  $n$ -ring homomorphism.*

Let  $n \in \{2, 3\}$  be fixed. As a direct corollary, we show that to each approximate  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism  $f$  from a Banach algebra into a semisimple commutative Banach algebra there corresponds a unique  $n$ -ring homomorphism near to  $f$ .

**Corollary 2.4.** *Let  $n \in \{2, 3\}$  be fixed. Suppose  $A$  is a Banach algebra, which needs not to be commutative, and suppose  $B$  is a semisimple commutative Banach algebra. Let  $\delta$  and  $\varepsilon$  be nonnegative real numbers and let  $p, q$  be a real numbers such that  $(p-1)(q-1) > 0$ ,  $q \geq 0$  or  $(p-1)(q-1) > 0$ ,  $q < 0$  and  $f(0) = 0$ . Assume that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  satisfies the system of functional inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(a+b) - f(a) - f(b)\| &\leq \varepsilon(\|a\|^p + \|b\|^p), \\ \|f(a^n) - f(a)^n\| &\leq \delta\|a\|^{nq} \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

for all  $a, b \in A$ . Then, there exists a unique  $n$ -ring homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\|f(a) - h(a)\| \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{|2-2^p|} \|a\|^p \quad (2.12)$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Theorems 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $n \in \{3, 4, 5\}$  be fixed,  $A, B$  be two commutative algebras, and let  $h : A \rightarrow B$  be a  $n$ -Jordan homomorphism. Then,  $h$  is  $n$ -ring homomorphism.*

*Proof.* For  $n = 3, 4$ , (see [5, Theorem 2.2]). Now suppose  $n = 5$ . Then,  $h$  is additive and  $h(a^5) = (h(a))^5$  for all  $a \in A$ . Replacing  $a$  by  $a + b$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} &h(5a^4b + 10a^3b^2 + 10a^2b^3 + 5ab^4) \\ &= 5h(a^4)h(b) + 10h(a^3)h(b^2) + 10h(a^2)h(b^3) + 5h(a)h(b^4). \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

Now, replacing  $a$  by  $x + y$  in (2.13), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & h\{5(x^4 + 4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3 + y^4)b + 10(x^3 + 3x^2y + 3xy^2 + y^3)b^2 \\ & \quad + 10(x^2 + 2xy + y^2)b^3 + 5(x + y)b^4\} \\ & = 5[h(x)^4 + 4h(x)^3h(y) + 6h(x)^2h(y)^2 + 4h(x)h(y)^3 + h(y)^4]h(b) \\ & \quad + 10[h(x)^3 + 3h(x)^2h(y) + 3h(x)h(y)^2 + h(y)^3]h(b)^2 \\ & \quad + 10[h(x)^2 + 2h(x)h(y) + h(y)^2]h(b)^3 + 5[h(x) + h(y)]h(b)^4. \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

By (2.13) and (2.14), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & h\{(20x^3yb + 30x^2y^2b + 20xy^3b + 30x^2yb^2 + 30xy^2b^2 + 20xyb^3)\} \\ & = 20h(x)^3h(y)h(b) + 30h(x)^2h(y)^2h(b) + 20h(x)h(y)^3h(b) \\ & \quad + 30h(x)^2h(y)h(b)^2 + 30h(x)h(y)^2h(b)^2 + 20h(x)h(y)h(b)^3. \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

By (2.15) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & h\{xyb[20(x^2 + y^2 + b^2) + 30(xy + xb + yb)]\} \\ & = h(x)h(y)h(b)[20h(x)^2 + 30h(x)h(y) + 20h(y)^2 \\ & \quad + 30h(x)h(b) + 30h(y)h(b) + 20h(b)^2]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

Replacing  $b$  by  $z + w$  in (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & h\{xyz[20(w^2 + 2zw) + 30(xy + xw + yw)] + xyw[20(z^2 + 2zw) + 30(xy + xz + yz)]\} \\ & = h(x)h(y)h(z)[20(h(w)^2 + 2h(z)h(w)) + 30(h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w))] \\ & \quad + h(x)h(y)h(w)[20(h(z)^2 + 2h(z)h(w)) + 30(h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(z) + h(y)h(z))]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $t + s$  in (2.17), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & h\{xy(t + s)[20(w^2 + 2(t + s)w) + 30(xy + xw + yw)] \\ & \quad + xyw[20((t + s)^2 + 2(t + s)w) + 30(xy + x(t + s) + y(t + s))]\} \\ & = h(x)h(y)h(t + s)[20(h(w)^2 + 2h(t + s)h(w)) \\ & \quad + 30(h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w))] \\ & \quad + h(x)h(y)h(w)[20(h(t + s)^2 + 2h(t + s)h(w)) \\ & \quad + 30(h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(t + s) + h(y)h(t + s))]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

Hence, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & h[40xywts - 30x^2y^2w - 30xys(xy + xw + yw)] \\
 & \quad = 40h(x)h(y)h(w)h(t)h(s) - 30h(x)^2h(y)^2h(w) \\
 & \quad \quad - 30h(x)h(y)h(s)[h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w)], \\
 & h[40xywts - 30x^2y^2w - 30xyt(xy + xw + yw)] \\
 & \quad = 40h(x)h(y)h(w)h(t)h(s) - 30h(x)^2h(y)^2h(w) \\
 & \quad \quad - 30h(x)h(y)h(t)[h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w)].
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

By (2.19) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & h[xy(s - t)(xy + xw + yw)] \\
 & \quad = h(x)h(y)(h(s) - h(t))[h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w)].
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

Replacing  $t$  by  $-s$  in (2.20), we obtain

$$h[2xys(xy + xw + yw)] = 2h(x)h(y)h(s)[h(x)h(y) + h(x)h(w) + h(y)h(w)]. \tag{2.21}$$

Replacing  $y, w$  by  $x$  in (2.21), we get

$$h(x^4s) = h(x)^4h(s). \tag{2.22}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + y$  in above equality to get

$$h((4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3)s) = (4h(x)^3h(y) + 6h(x)^2h(y)^2 + 4h(x)h(y)^3)h(s). \tag{2.23}$$

Replacing  $x$  by  $x + z$  in (2.23), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & h\{[(4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3) + (4z^3y + 6z^2y^2 + 4zy^3) + 12(x^2zy + xz^2y + xzy^2)]s\} \\
 & \quad = \{ (4h(x)^3h(y) + 6h(x)^2h(y)^2 + 4h(x)h(y)^3) \\
 & \quad \quad + (4h(z)^3h(y) + 6h(z)^2h(y)^2 + 4h(z)h(y)^3) \\
 & \quad \quad + 12(h(x)^2h(z)h(y) + h(x)h(z)^2h(y) + h(x)h(z)h(y)^2) \} h(s).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.24}$$

Combining (2.23) by (2.24), we get

$$h\{(xyz)(x + y + z)s\} = [(h(x)h(y)h(z))(h(x) + h(y) + h(z))]h(s). \tag{2.25}$$

Replacing  $z$  by  $-x$  in (2.25) to obtain

$$h(x^2y^2s) = h(x)^2h(y)^2h(s), \quad (2.26)$$

replacing  $y$  by  $y + w$  in (2.26), we get

$$h(x^2yws) = h(x)^2h(y)h(w)h(s). \quad (2.27)$$

Now, replace  $x$  by  $x + t$  in (2.27), we obtain

$$h(xtyws) = h(x)h(t)h(y)h(w)h(s). \quad (2.28)$$

Hence,  $h$  is 5-ring homomorphism.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $n \in \{3, 4, 5\}$  be fixed. Suppose  $A, B$  are commutative Banach algebras. Let  $\delta$  and  $\varepsilon$  be nonnegative real numbers and let  $p, q$  be a real numbers such that  $(p - 1)(q - 1) > 0$ ,  $q \geq 0$  or  $(p - 1)(q - 1) > 0$ ,  $q < 0$ , and  $f(0) = 0$ . Assume that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  satisfies the system of functional inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(a + b) - f(a) - f(b)\| &\leq \varepsilon(\|a\|^p + \|b\|^p), \\ \|f(a^n) - f(a)^n\| &\leq \delta\|a\|^{nq} \end{aligned} \quad (2.29)$$

for all  $a, b \in A$ . Then, there exists a unique  $n$ -ring homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\|f(a) - h(a)\| \leq \frac{2\varepsilon}{|2 - 2^p|} \|a\|^p \quad (2.30)$$

for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Theorems 2.1, 2.2, and 2.5.  $\square$

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